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NEWS and VIEWS

This afternoon we welcome what seem like very old friends. It is hard to realise they only gained football league status in 1960.

Probably like so many other clubs they progressed very rapidly. Then as happens to most clubs—a lean spell. Supporters, reared on success become restive and demand all kinds of changes and action.

The great lessons every one connected with football has to learn, are to be able to lose, and gracefully, and to be patient. Many spectators unfortunately will not be the latter.

Peterborough United made a great name for themselves in the Football Association Cup, prior to their entry into the league. We well remember one epic struggle, when we managed to win; 2—1 after drawing 1—1 at Swindon.

However in 1960, Peterborough United after many applications were elected to Division IV of the Football League. In their first season, they were champions with 66 points, and a goal average of 134 for and 65 against. In season 1961-62, their first in Division III, they gained fifth position with 58 points and a goal average of 107 for and 82 against. A fine achievement.

In season 1962-63 they finished sixth in the league table, with 51 points and 93 goals scored for and 75 against.

It was during this season that they maintained a high position in the league.

When they came to Swindon at Easter 1963, they seemed hot favourites for promotion, and when they won 3—2 on Good Friday before an attendance of 23,239 (shows their attraction and following) it seemed they would achieve their

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objective. The return game was played on Easter Monday and we were defeated 1—3. Our promotion hopes seemed very poor. Yet we ended the season in second place with 58 points and a goal average of 87 for and 56 against, and so gained promotion to Division II.

Last season we won both games. The away match was played in the evening of Friday, 23rd December, 1966 and resulted in a victory by 2 goals to 1. Rogers and Nurse scored for Swindon, and Mason for Peterborough. The home fixture was on Boxing Day, 26th December, 1966, and Swindon won by 4 goals to 1. Rogers (2) and Brown (2) scored for Swindon and Fairbrother for the visitors. The attendance 14,600.

Swindon's team in both games was Hicks; Thomas, Trollope; Smart, Nurse, Harland; Rogers, Brown, Penman, Butler, Walker. Peterborough: Duff; Johnson, Crawford; Wright, Rankmore, Kirkham; Mason, Beesley, Fairbrother, Byrne, Pulley.

Their present acting manager is Mr. Norman Rigby, who captained the side in 1960-61, when they won the championship of Division IV. Peterborough United have had several outstanding players as manager. Mr. George Swindin (Arsenal), Mr. Jimmy Hagan (Sheffield United and West Bromwich Albion), Mr. Gordon Clark (Aldershot and West Bromwich Albion) and Mr. Jack Fairbrother (Coventry).

Goalkeepers are very much in the news. First the controversy about the number of steps taken, which despite doubts expressed at the beginning of the season, experience has shown is working very well. By the way, I wonder how many supporters realise that prior to the early 1930's, the permitted number of steps was only two.

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To quote the F.A. press handouts, "The restriction was taken for granted and there were singularly few complaints in those days about charging or hampering 'keepers. This also was a period in the game, which was rich in expert exponents of the goalkeeping arts."

The Football League's recent reminder to clubs that marking or scraping of the pitch by a goalkeeper is an undesirable practise which must cease has produced the anticipated effect. However, there are still goalkeepers who do not appear to realise that marking a pitch, renders them liable to a caution by the referee.

Another surprising fact is that, during the first season of the use of substitutes solely because of injury, the detailed returns made to The Football League of cause and effect revealed that the number of substitutes for goalkeepers were negligible.

Only three or four were involved in a total of 772 substitutes utilised in 2,028 league matches.

In our last programme we mentioned the favourable comments of the Southampton reporter, regarding the exemplary conduct of our young reserve team. It is with real pleasure we print an extract from "The Chairman's Page" in The Orient programme.

"We offer a warm welcome to Swindon Town, one of the most talented and attractive sides in the Third Division, who thrilled so many soccer supporters with their wonderful run to the fifth round of the F.A. Cup last season." May we live up to that reputation especially in these days of defensive play and various incidents on and off the field. To date we have had little to complain either from players or supporters. Above all let us keep this up.

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DAVE METCHICK

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TONY MILLINGTON

Has played in nine full Internationals for Wales and four under-twenty-three matches. Born in Hawarden, North Wales, Tony has served with West Bromwich Albion and Crystal Palace. Joined Peterborough United at the end of the 1965/66 season.

FRANK NOBLE

Signed from Sheffield Wednesday on a free transfer during the close season. Was born in Sheffield and played local amateur soccer in that area before turning to professional football with the Hillsborough club.

FRANK RANKMORE

Gained under-twenty-three Honours for Wales against Scotland and Northern Ireland whilst with Cardiff City. Was transferred to Peterborough United in August 1963 after six years with Cardiff City. Toured Brazil and Chile with Wales touring side in 1966.

BRIAN WRIGHT

Brian joined Newcastle United when he was 15 years old. After seven years with the north-eastern Club he was transferred to Peterborough United during the 1962/63 season.

RON COOPER

Played with local teams in Peterborough League before joining Peterborough United at the age of 16 years. Played in Peterborough Youth Team, also a member of the Northants Youth Team. Signed part-time professional in 1958.

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JOHN BYRNE

Born at Glasgow, John started his football career with Preston North End, and played for Queen of the South, Tranmere Rovers, Hibernian and Barnsley before joining Peterborough United in June 1965. Can play in either inside forward or wing positions.

OLLIE CONMY

An Eire International, was transferred from Huddersfield Town to Peterborough United at the end of the 1963/4 season. Ollie was born in Mulrany, Eire, enjoys a game of golf or snooker and is interested in all sporting activities.

JOHN FAIRBROTHER

Joined Watford when he was 18 years old and stayed with them for 4½ years before joining Worcester City. Whilst with the Southern League club John was amongst the League's leading goal scorers. Joined Peterborough May 1965.

JOHN LINNELL

Signed for Northampton Town on leaving school and played for them as an amateur until signing professional forms in 1964. Has represented his County at both football and cross country running. Was given a free transfer at the end of last season and signed for Peterborough United in July.

MICHAEL MAYNARD

Born Guyana, and came to London when he was 9. Played for Fulham as an amateur for two seasons prior to signing professional forms for Crystal Palace. Was not retained by them at the end of last season and joined "the Posh" in July.

JOHN MASON

After a successful career with the amateur club Alvechurch, during which time he won an English Amateur Cap v. Holland in 1966, John joined the professional ranks by signing for Peterborough United in May 1966.

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Peterborough United	14	8	3	3	26	17	19
Bury	14	7	3	4	34	22	17
Torquay United	14	6	5	3	16	19	17
Gillingham	14	6	4	4	18	16	16
Colchester United	14	5	6	3	18	21	16
Watford	14	6	3	5	26	17	15
Barrow	14	6	3	5	15	12	15
Brighton & H.A.	14	6	3	5	19	16	15
Shrewsbury Town	14	5	5	4	20	17	15
Northampton Town	14	6	3	5	20	19	15
Oxford United	14	6	3	5	22	21	15
Swindon Town	14	5	4	5	26	17	14
Southport	14	6	2	6	21	22	14
Reading	14	6	2	6	23	25	14
Bournemouth & B.A.	14	5	4	5	18	22	14
Tranmere Rovers	14	6	1	7	22	23	13
Stockport County	14	5	3	6	15	21	13
Bristol Rovers	14	4	4	6	16	21	12
Scunthorpe United	14	3	5	6	21	28	11
Grimsby Town	14	4	3	7	16	22	11
The Orient	14	2	5	7	14	24	9
Oldham Athletic	14	3	2	9	16	23	8
Mansfield Town	14	2	4	8	17	28	8



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SUPPORTERS *CLUB NOTES*

Last Tuesday saw the return of Reading, in what is probably the most popular of the local derbies. The away match ended in Reading's favour by the odd goal. Reading are making a strong bid for promotion this year. With the coming of the M4 in the next few years, Reading will have to face strong counter attractions from the West London clubs — Queen's Park Rangers, Chelsea, Fulham and Crystal Palace — and with the four clubs in either Division 1 or Division 2, with reasonable expectations of them being still in those Divisions in the next four or five years, Reading have seen and understood the message.

Visiting the Supporters' Club at Reading after the match, it was obvious that the Supporters' Club also have an air of expectancy. Their Club room was in the process of expansion to the full extent of the space available. It is still small and inconvenient, even compared to our own Social Club, temporary though the latter may be. Some members of the Reading Supporters' Club found time to call at the Social Club before and after the match, and let the first rush of traffic wend its way towards Reading. I found at Reading that the run back to Swindon was much easier by leaving around the 10.15 p.m. mark.

In the very first programme of the season I recorded a wish to see R. Thomas (Wales) coping with Don Rogers (England). Next Wednesday the Under-23 International at Swansea provides the opportunity but, I regret to say, the distance makes a visit impossible. Nevertheless, the best of luck to these gallant players — and may the best man win. My crystal ball refuses to give the answer in advance, and I am only too happy to follow its excellent advice. But I do envy the football fans of Wales.

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The Supporters' Club wish to thank all who contributed to Owen Dawson's collection at the Reading match, and I have been asked by Owen to include his own thanks and appreciation in these Notes.

Music at tonight's Party Night is by the Stardust Trio. Tomorrow (after Bingo) music will be provided by the Arthur Stanley Band.

The extension to the Club is now operative (but not quite finished) and, by today, ale will have been piped to the bar, thus avoiding changing empty barrels at busy periods by rolling the empties out and the full ones in — thus affecting a speed-up in service. Members will have already noted, with approval I'm sure, the open spaces in the entrance foyer now that all our beer stock is stored elsewhere.

The Social Club Darts Club now leads the Independent Clubs Darts League, following their away win against Stratton British Legion last Monday.

The Supporters' Club football section are among the leaders of Division 4 of the Sunday League and the Social Club, winning 7—5 last Sunday, notched their first win in Division 6 of the same League, and improved their goal average more than somewhat.

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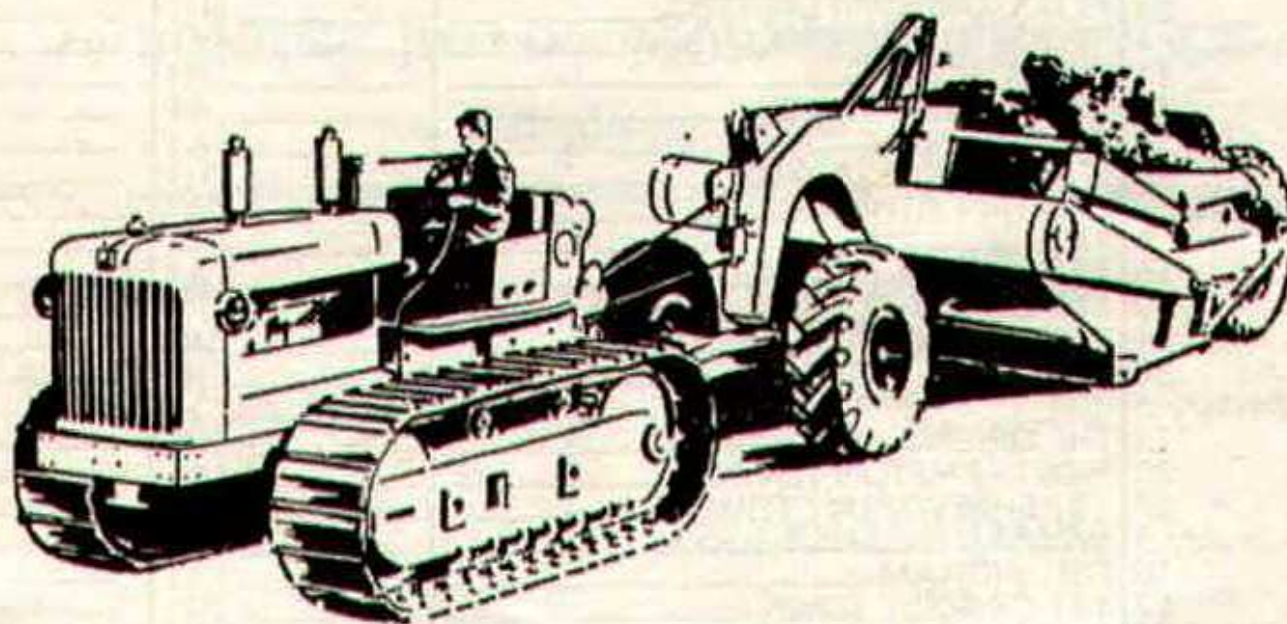
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Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
August 19	CHELSEA.....	(A)	0—1
26	SOUTHAMPTON.....	1,625 (H)	0—3
29	BIRMINGHAM CITY.....	(A)	0—4
September 2	IPSWICH TOWN.....	(A)	1—6
9	WALSALL.....	1,278 (H)	0—2
16	GILLINGHAM.....	(A)	0—1
23	ARSENAL.....	(H)	0—1
October 7	SOUTHAMPTON (C).....	(A)	0—5
14	WEST HAM UNITED (C).....	(A)	2—5
31	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE (C).....	(H)	
November 4	WEST HAM UNITED (C).....	(H)	
18	SOUTHAMPTON (C).....	(H)	
29	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE (C).....	(A)	
December 2	ARSENAL (C).....	(H)	
12	ARSENAL (C).....	(A)	
16	CHELSEA.....	(H)	
23	SOUTHAMPTON.....	(A)	
26	COVENTRY CITY.....	(H)	
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January 2	COVENTRY CITY.....	(A)	
6	IPSWICH TOWN.....	(H)	
16	WALSALL.....	(A)	
20	GILLINGHAM.....	(H)	
27	PETERBOROUGH UNITED.....	(A)	
February 3	ARSENAL.....	(A)	
10	BIRMINGHAM CITY.....	(H)	
17	LEICESTER CITY.....	(A)	
24	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR.....	(A)	
March 2	NORTHAMPTON TOWN.....	(H)	
9	WEST HAM UNITED.....	(H)	
20	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE.....	(A)	
23	PETERBOROUGH UNITED.....	(H)	
30	WEST HAM UNITED.....	(A)	
April 6	LEICESTER CITY.....	(H)	
20	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR.....	(H)	
30	NORTHAMPTON TOWN.....	(A)	
May 4	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE.....	(H)	

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Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
August 19	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION.....	15,790 (H)	2—1
22	NEWPORT COUNTY (League Cup).....	10,870 (H)	1—1
25	STOCKPORT COUNTY.....	9,103 (A)	0—2
29	NEWPORT Co. (League Cup Replay).....	6,537 (A)	0—2
September 2	TRANMERE ROVERS.....	12,152 (H)	3—1
4	BARROW.....	7,352 (A)	1—1
9	THE ORIENT.....	4,722 (A)	0—0
16	NORTHAMPTON TOWN.....	13,280 (H)	4—0
23	WALSALL.....	9,132 (A)	2—3
26	BARROW.....	13,567 (H)	0—1
30	GILLINGHAM.....	12,983 (H)	2—2
October 4	READING.....	17,867 (A)	1—2
7	BURY.....	8,222 (A)	1—1
14	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A.....	11,135 (H)	4—0
21	COLCHESTER UNITED.....	4,907 (A)	1—2
24	READING.....	17,229 (H)	5—1
28	PETERBOROUGH UNITED.....	(H)	
November 4	MANSFIELD TOWN.....	(A)	
11	WATFORD.....	(H)	
13	TRANMERE ROVERS.....	(A)	
18	SOUTHPORT.....	(A)	
25	SCUNTHORPE UNITED.....	(H)	
December 2	OLDHAM ATHLETIC.....	(A)	
9	(1).....	()	
16	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION.....	(A)	
19	STOCKPORT COUNTY.....	(H)	
26	TORQUAY UNITED.....	(A)	
30	TORQUAY UNITED.....	(H)	
January 6	(2).....	()	
13	THE ORIENT.....	(H)	
20	NORTHAMPTON TOWN.....	(A)	
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23	PETERBOROUGH UNITED.....	(A)	
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12	OXFORD UNITED.....	(A)	
13	SOUTHPORT.....	(H)	
16	OXFORD UNITED.....	(H)	
19	SCUNTHORPE UNITED.....	(A)	
23	BRISTOL ROVERS.....	(H)	
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Saturday, 21st October.

Lost to COLCHESTER (Away) 2—1.

Team: Downsborough; Thomas, Trollope; Butler, Nurse, Harland; Heath, Penman, Terry, Smart, Rogers.

Scorer: Penman.

Referee: Mr. R. A. Paine (Hounslow).

Attendance: 4,907.

Tuesday, 24th October.

Beat READING (Home) 5—1.

Team: Downsborough; Thomas, Trollope; Butler, Nurse, Harland; Dawson, Penman, Terry, Smart, Rogers.

Scorers: Terry 2, Penman 2, Harland 1.

Referee: I. P. Jones (Trelewis).

Attendance: 17,229.

HELLENIC LEAGUE (PREMIER DIVISION)

Saturday, 21st October.

Lost to BANBURY (Away) 2—1.

Team: Smith; Allen, King; Wall, Gubbins, Tyler; Mascia, Boorman, Bailey, Desmeules, Fry.

Scorer: Desmeules.

BOROUGH LEAGUE

Saturday, 14th October.

Beat THE COLLEGE (Away) 19—1.

Team: Anderson; Grubb, Woodfield; Dudden, Sikorski, Jellings; Pearce, Bowditch, Bell, Mill, Marsh.

Scorers: Bell 8, Dudden 2, Lewis 2, Francis 2, Bowditch 2, Marsh 2, Pearce 1.

Saturday, 21st October.

Beat PARK BOYS (Home) 19—1.

Team: Anderson; Grubb, Woodfield; Dudden, Sirorski, Jellings; Pearce, Francis, Smith, Bell, Lewis.

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