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Our two most recent results, a 3-0 win over Birmingham City and a 1-1 draw at Watford have given me a great deal of encouragement.

For in both those games, the players came through with fighting displays just at the right time.

In the game against Birmingham, they pulled out all the stops in the second half and Roger Hunt scored a great hat-trick.

Then at Watford ,where we had easily as much play as the home side, John Manning headed the equaliser only a couple of minutes after we had gone a goal down.

We have been showing the right sort of spirit and we aim to keep it up this afternoon against our visitors Swindon Town.

Those of you who saw our youth team beat Oldham Athletic 4-0 and Tranmere Rovers 2-0 will agree with me that these "babes" are really worth watching.

And one of them, 17 year old Don McAllister, is proving his worth in the first team.

Several others are experienced Central League players - and we are looking forward to a good FA Youth Cup run this season.

I can't stress too much that these youngsters are the club's future and so many of them look like making good.

In the Tranmere game they were helped a great deal by the supporters on the terraces. They were given encouragement and applause throughout the game and they responded to it.

When I was a player, I used to respond to the crowd spurring me on to greater efforts and this support got me out of many a difficult situation.



Nat Lofthouse

FROM THE LION'S DEN

The Bolton players on the field this afternoon need your support and encouragement just as much as I did. Everyone makes mistakes and to be howled at doesn't help.

At this stage the players need your support. They showed what they could do in that second half against Birmngham when you were right behind them.

Don't let them down and they'll do their best not to let you down.

* The Front Page picture is by courtesy of the Bolton Evening News

Charlie Hurley shows his delight as Roger Hunt hits target in the game against Birmingham City.

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Today's Visitors

SWINDON TOWN

PETER DOWNSBOROUGH—Born Halifax. Signed in August 1965 from Halifax Town where he was a product of local football. A fearless agile goal-keeper who has done much to strengthen the defence.

ROY JONES — Born Clacton-on-Sea Signed for Swindon in October 1967 after obtaining his release from the R.A.F. Played in Anglo-Italian Inter-Club Competition Winning Team Season 1969/70.

OWEN DAWSON—Born Hatfield. Joined the club from Portsmouth in 1962. He was a regular first team player until he was unlucky to lose his place through injury. A fast tenacious player, he was a former Youth International. Regular member of promotion winning side of Season 1968/69.

ROD THOMAS—Born Glyncorrwg. A former youth player with Swindon. He was signed from Gloucester City in 1964. Has gained Welsh Under 23 caps and full Welsh caps.

JOE BUTLER—Born Newcastle - Joined Swindon from Newcastle in 1965 where he graduated to the senior ranks through the club's junior team. A tenacious player whose speed and ability amply make up for his lack of inches

JOHN TROLLOPE—Born Swindon. A local player who joined the Swindon ground staff from school. He was selected for the first team at the beginning of the 1960/61 season when he was just 16 years old, and was ever present during that season.

ROGER SMART—Another local player who joined the club direct from Swindon schoolboys' team. At 17 he was appearing regularly at centre-forward in the reserves, but he excels as a deep-lying inside forward. A versatile player who is able to play at wing-half.

FRANK BURROWS — Born Larkhall, Scotland. Joined Swindon from Scunthorpe for whom he played three seasons. Formerly with Raith Rovers. A strong defender who has made his mark in the first team.

STAN HARLAND—Born Liverpool. Was signed from Carlisle in 1966. Formerly with Everton and Bradford City. He has been a regular choice at left-half since making his debut at the beginning of the 1966/67 season. A forceful player who likes to go forward to back up the attack.

DON ROGERS—He was signed by Swindon when only 15 and quickly came to the fore. Gained many England Youth caps and subsequently played in the England Under 23 team.

PETER NOBLE—Born Sunderland Joined Swindon from Newcastle in 1968 for whom he played for four yars. Prefers to play an attacking role.

JOHN SMITH—Born London. Signed from Torquay in 1968 and previously played for Orient, West Ham, Spurs and Coventry. Former England Under 23 International.

CHRIS JONES—Born Altrincham. A hard working centre-forward signed from Manchester City.

JOHN BAILEY—Born Oxford. Joined Swindon in 1966 as an apprentice professional and signed as a professional in 1968. A strong player who has appeared in many positions for the Football Combination side.

ARTHUR HORSFIELD — Born New-castle. A close season signing from Newcastle. Previously played for Middlesbrough whom he joined as a Youth international. Top scorer last season.

STEPHEN PEPLOW—Born Liverpool. Played for Liverpool Schoolboys, and joined Liverpool from school. Made three First Team appearances last season for Liverpool and was a regular member of the team which won the Central League in two consecutive seasons.

TONY GOUGH—Born Bath. Signed for Bristol Rovers from Bath City at age of 17 and subsequently returned to Bath. Signed from Bath City 1970 to return to League Football.

CHRIS PORTER—Born Bridgewater. Signed from Bridgewater 1969.

We're on the right track!

The Supporters' Club turned a £2,446 loss into a profit in the year ending July 31st 1970.

At last week's annual meeting chairman Mr. John Banks said: 'The club is now making steady progress. We donated £1,043 to the football club and although the balance sheet shows a loss of £432, this donation means that we made a profit of £611 on the year.

"We are on the right track and we intend to stay that way. But I take no credit, I want to compliment the voluntary workers who have done so much for this club."

Mr. Banks said that overheads have risen from £85 to £100 per week.

He forecast better things to come and backed his words with figures. He said: "In the period from July 31st to Nov. 11th we have made £1,000 profit."

The Supporters' Club soccer team team plays a friendly against Sheffield Wednesday Supporters at Bromwich Street tomorrow - kick-off 2-0 p.m.

All the players will be entertained to tea in the club after the match and in the evening, club members and friends are invited to join them for a cabaret evening.

Members are asked to note that the club will be closed on Thursday, December 10th; Tuesday, December 15th and Thursday, December 17th.

There are only a few tickets left for the Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve events, so hurry!

The first children's Party will be staged by the Ladies' Committee on Monday, December 14th. More than a hundred children of club members will attend - and so will Father Christmas!

There will be a grand cabaret evening in the club on Wednesday, December 16th when the agents will be invited with a friend to a cabaret evening and buffet given by the committee in appreciation of the excellent work they are doing to raise money for the football club.

Members of the 200 Club will also be present and attendance is by invitation only.

On the same evening the draw will be made for the 200 Club's £400 prize and for the Mammoth Xmas Draw.



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FLASHBACK

Swindon's long, long climb to the top . . .

The story of Swindon Town is particularly the story of football south of the Thames. Founded in 1881 by a clergyman, the Rev. W. Pitt, as an amateur club, it was quickly accepted as the best in Wiltshire, and the Wilts Cup was nearly always held by Swindon Town. In fact, the final was once contested between the first and the second teams of the club.

In time the club broadened its attitude, began to engage professionals and was accepted as one of the original members of the Southern League in which it had, with Millwall and Southampton, continuous membership from the inception in 1894 to 1920.

Then Swindon became a foundermember of Division Three South of the Football League.

During this period Swindon had varied fortunes. They finished the first season at the foot of the table and so became a completely professional side with a wage bill of £10 a week.

In 1900 they reached fourth position, but financial resources were so inadequate that the club had to part with many good players, several of whom went to Nottingham Forest.

In 1902 Swindon were a bad last and the "Railwaymen" were in sore straits. Thanks, however, to the hard work of such men as Sam Allen, a devoted club-man, difficulties were overcome for a time.

Season 1907-8 began a memorable period for the club. Swindon Town enterered the F.A. Cup for the first time ,reached the third round and three years later got to the semi-final to be beaten by Newcastle United, the ultimate winners, at Tottenham.

Two years later they again reached the semi-final, losing to Barnsley in a replay. Between 1907 and 1914 they won the Southern League Championship twice and were never lower than fifth in the final tables.

Since Swindon Town have been in the Football League they have been obliged to seek re-election n 1933, 1946, and 1957 and five times reached fourth place before finally gaining promotion to Division Two at the concluson of season 1962/63 when they finished in second position in Division Three

Following an outstanding start in 1963/64 when they set up a record for a newly promoted club, being undefeated for 9 games, Town finished well down in the League. The following season saw them relegated to Division Three after only two seasons in the higher sphere.

Swindon again gained promotion to Divison Two at the conclusion of season 1968/69, being runners up to Watford. During the same season they beat Arsenal 3-1 at Wembley to win the Football League Cup.

Originally the Swindon team played in green shirts on the Croft, but they moved to the County Ground in 1896 and they have occupied it since then without interruption , even in war-time.

Its capacity is said to be 30,000, but the highest pre-war attendance was 24,730 at the Cup-tie with Burnley in 1929.

This was easily surpassed at the League game with Watford in March 1969 when the record 28,898 was established.

Naturally, with so long a history of professional players, many outstanding men have been connected with the club. Perhaps the best known was Harold Fleming, always an attractive and dangerous inside forward, capped nine times for England.

Others of renown were the backs, Harry Kay, J. Hogan, S. Lamb and F. Richardson.

In more recent years the names of Billy Lucas capped for Wales, Norman Uprichard for Ireland, Mike Summerbee for England and Ernie Hunt who gained an 'Under 23 cap', spring more readily to mind.

At the present time they have Rod Thomas who has been capped for Wales and Don Rogers who has played for the England 'Under 23' side.

BURNDEN BULLETIN

RESERVES DRAW

The Wanderers Reserves were held to a 1-1 draw by Stoke City at Burnden on Saturday.

Stoke's defence was under constant pressure in the first half as John Byrom, Paul Fletcher, Garry Jones and Alan Waldron went near to scoring.

Appeals for a penalty were turned down when it looked as if Byrom had been pulled back by his shirt as he attempted to break through.

The Wanderers were rewarded in the 57th minute when Garry Jones hit a shot at goal which got a deflection on its way past John Farmer.

Ten minutes from the end, Stoke earned a point when Smith fastened onto a lucky rebound and beat Peter Clarke from close range

Former Wanderers' favourite Doug Holden is back in this country after playing in Australia . . . and Eddie Hopkinson has signed him up to play in his testimonial match on April 21st.

APPEARANCES - GOALS

SECOND DIVISION

Boswell 17, Ritson 12 (1), Farrimond 18, Williams 17 (2), Hulme 19 (1), Rimmer 16, Wharton 7 (4), Byrom 13 (3), Hunt 13 (5), Greaves 13 (1), Taylor 17 (2), G. Jones 4, Clarke 3, Seddon 3, Hurley 8, Hallows 8, Phillips 9 (1), Marsh 1, Fletcher 12 (2), Waldron 2, Manning 6 (1), McAllister 2.

CENTRAL LEAGUE

Siddall 3, Hallows 12, Marsh 17, Waldron 16 (2), P. Jones 13, McAllister 16 (1), Redfern 12 (2), Fletcher 7 (4), Manning 11 (5), Phillips 6, Duffey 14 (4), Hurley 6 (1), G. Jones 15 (6), Seddon 14 (5), Bell 3, Lucas 6, Clarke 13, Williams 2, (1) Tutty 1, Aitken 1, Ritson 2, Byrom 4 (1), Lee 1, Wharton 5, Hunt 4 (5), Greaves 2 (1), Taylor 2.

(Goals in brackets)



ROGER HUNT

Congratulations to Roger Hunt (above) who was selected to play for Europe against Benfica in the testimonial game for Portugal skipper Mario Coluna next week.

Roger is all set to fly out to Lisbon for the game which should pack the Benfica stadium.

When he heard the news, manager Nat Lofthouse had no hesitation in releasing Roger for the game, He said: "It's a great honour. If I had been selected for such a game I would have been so delighted I'd have walked there and back."

Roger is looking forward to renewing his acquaintanceship with many international stars from all over the Continent.

It will be a real step back to the big-time for a man who was an England star for so long and a member of the World Cup winning side.



Birmingham City goalkeeper Mike Kelly smothers a cross from the wing as Bolton's John Manning closes in (above). Wanderers went on to win the game 3-0 thanks to a Roger Hunt hat-trick.

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John Manning (right) arches spectacularly in the air to get his head to a Gordon Taylor centre in the Birmingham game at Burnden Park.

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- 1. Name this player.
- 2. When were Swindon formed ?
- When did Swindon join the Football League?
- Which Swindon player was transferred for £35,000 to figure in the return to greatness of a Lancashire club.
- 5. Middlesbrough, whom Bolton play next Saturday, were formed after a meal involving a famous Lancashire dish - which was ?
- How old was Pele when he was first capped for Brazil?
- Roger Hunt set a Liverpool goalscoring record in 1961-2 with how many goals?
- 8. Bolton Wanderers were 19th in the First Division in October, 1924. They then embarked on a remarkable run of consecutive home wins which almost won them the title. In fact, they finished third. How many consecutive games did they win at Burnden that season?

THE ANSWERS

- 8. Seventeen. Wanderers' away form eventually cost them the title.
 - 7. Forty-one.
 - 6. Sixteen.
 - Middlesbrough team was first suggested.
- 5. A tripe supper at the Corporation Hotel in 1876 when the idea of forming a
- Mike Summerbee, who joined Manchester City in 1965 and went on to play for England, having made his debut for Swindon in 1959.
 - 3. They were among the founder members of the Third Division in 1920.
 - 2, 1881.
 - his career after a spell with Great Harwood.
- 1. Gordon Atherton, the former Bury and Swindon wing-half who has now ended

DIVISION II

A Good Start?

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leicester C	. 19	12	5	2	35	14	29
Luton T.	. 19	10	6	3	34	14	26
Cardiff C	. 19	9	7	3	30	17	25
Sheff. Utd	. 19	8	9	2	34	22	25
Hull City	19	10	5	4	26	19	25
Norwich C	19	7	8	4	22	18	22
Carlisle U	. 19	7	8	4	26	23	22
Oxford U.	19	8	5	6	24	25	21
Sunderland	. 19	8	4	7	25	20	20
Middlesbro	. 19	8	4	7	29	26	20
Sheff W.	20	7	5	8	24	32	19
Swindon T	19	7	4	8	23	19	18
Millwall	. 19	7	4	8	22	20	18
Portsmouth	19	6	5	8	29	27	17
Watford	19	4	8	7	20	20	16
Q. P. R	19	6	4	9	29	32	16
Bolton W	20	6	4	10	23	29	16
Birmingham	19	5	5	9	19	26	15
Bristol C.	19	5	4	10	23	35	14
Orient	19	3	8	8	12	28	14
Charlton A	19	3	6	10	18	33	12
Blackburn R	19	2	6	11	14	32	10

The new Wanderers' chairman, Mr. John Banks, hasn't seen a Bolton team beaten since he took over the reins.

Shortly after he was appointed at a board meeting, the youth team went out and beat Oldham, the first team hammered Birmingham, then the youngsters beat Tranmere and the seniors followed up with a point at Watford.

Keep on watching, Mr. Banks!

* * *

Bolton Wanderers have their own 007! Even the initials ... J. B. ... are the same.

No prizes for guessing the man himself. Yes, John Byrom, who collected his Supporters Club membership card this week and found he was member 007.

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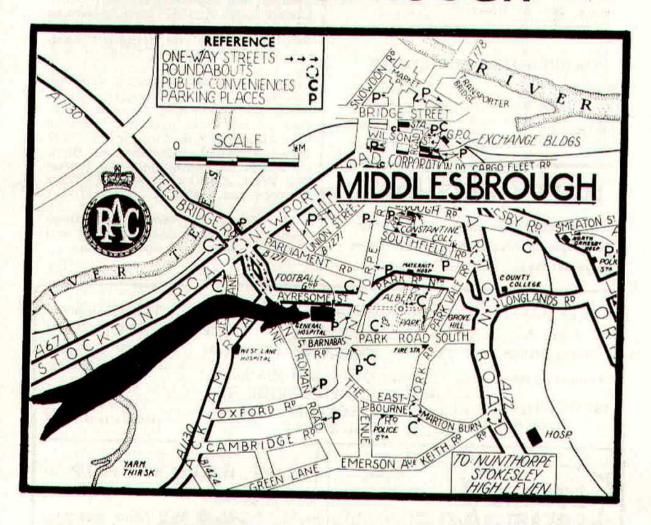
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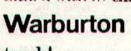
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- 1 DOWNSBOROUGH, P.
- 2 THOMAS, Rod
- 3 TROLLOPE, John
- 4 BUTLER, Joe
- 5 BURROWS, Frank
- 6 HARLAND, Stan
- 7 PORTER, Chris
- 8 GOUGH, Tony
- 9 HORSFIELD, Arthur
- 10 NOBLE, Peter
- 11 ROGERS, Don

Sub.

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