

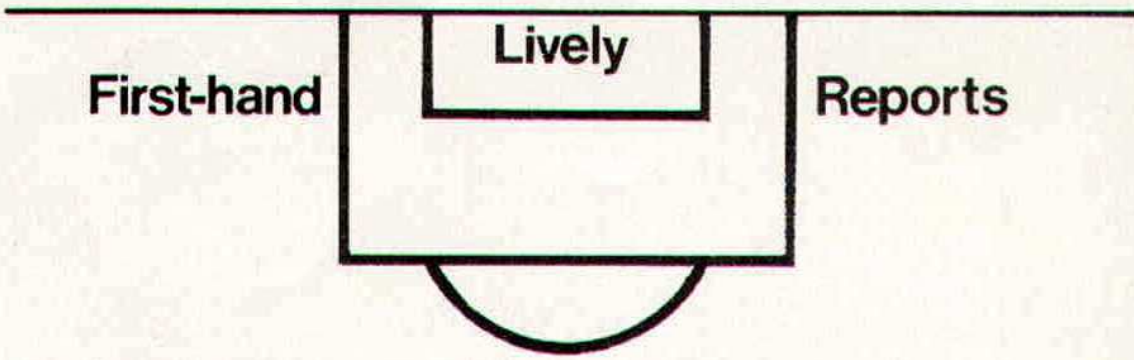
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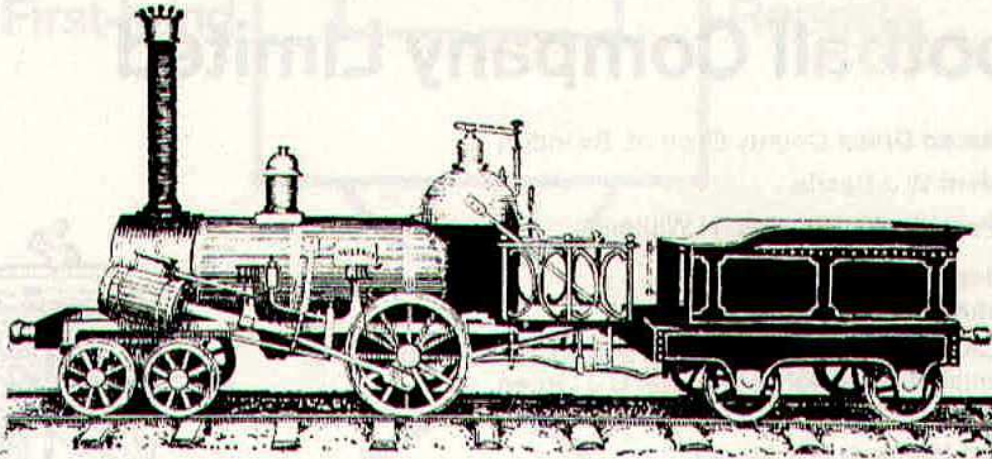


Saturday, 20th February, 1971 - Division II

Swindon Town v Oxford United

Kick-off 3 p.m.

Swindon Town	OFFICIALS	Oxford United
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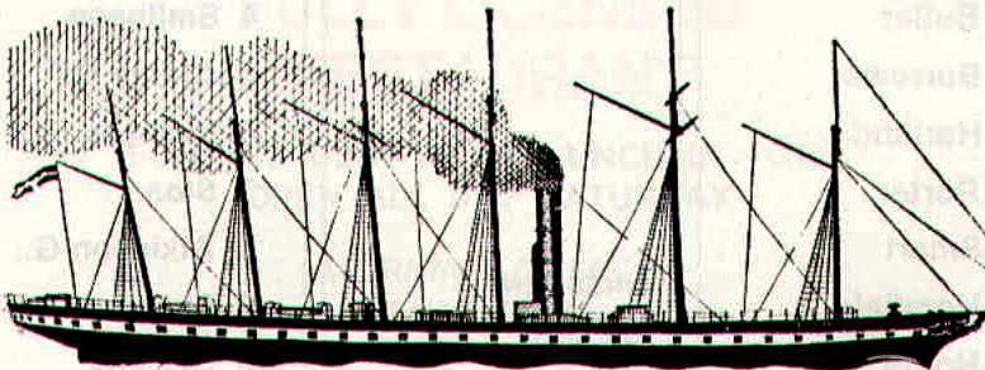
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news & views

Today we welcome our near neighbours Oxford United, who could well be in the Quarter-Finals of the F.A. Cup competition. Unfortunately these notes must be compiled before the result is known of the replay with Leicester City. Reports show they deserved to draw, and we trust they have won the return game, so qualifying to play at home the winners of the Manchester City v Arsenal tie. We wish them well, and look forward to the time when we may see them at Wembley. If they have won the replay (and we sincerely hope they do) they are just two games away from that great occasion. Well, who knows? Oxford are certainly enjoying Cup football this season having beaten Burnley, and then disposed of Watford in a replay, so last Wednesday's match was their fifth in the competition.

Oxford made a splendid beginning in the League this season, but have fallen back a little since then. They now occupy 14th position with 26 points from 26 games played. Swindon is in 9th position with 30 points from 28 games played. The records are somewhat similar, except for the fact that Oxford's away results are as good as the home, whereas until recently Swindon's away results left much to be desired. In fact, we did not gain an away point until we played at Oxford (result 0-0) on the 21st November 1970, our tenth away game. We have not looked back since then until last Saturday, when we lost 0-1 at Orient, after ten successive League matches without defeat.

Oxford has won five away games and drawn three, and have exactly the same record at home. Their away goal average is 15-17. Swindon on the other hand has won one game away from home and drawn four with a goal average of 13-21. At home however Swindon has won ten (compared with five by Oxford), drawn four, and lost none.

Today's game should prove interesting, with a team defending its excellent home record against a team with a splendid away record. Statistics show,

unfortunately, it could be a low scoring game. Apart from the League Cup last season (result Oxford 1, Swindon 0) the two clubs have met on nine occasions, and Oxford has yet to win, seven of the matches have been drawn (six 0-0 and the other 1-1). The other two were won by 3-0, both times, once at Swindon and once at Oxford. Oxford has scored only one goal and Swindon seven.

Our League record against Oxford is:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home	4	1	3	0	3	0	5
Away	5	1	4	0	4	1	6
Total	9	2	7	0	7	1	11

It looks almost like what the punters term a 'banker'. Oxford could of course be a little weary after their strenuous cup-tie, but that does not always follow. Success brings success, and match practice helps to sustain the rhythm and teamwork. However well they have done in the Cup competition, to Oxford today's game is sure to be one of great importance both from prestige and League position, and for Swindon too. Although unfortunately we lost at Orient last Saturday, we are not out of the hunt yet. Cardiff, in second place, has 36 points, just six more than ourselves. Points have still to be won, and a resounding victory today would put us right back on the promotion path.

The corresponding game last season resulted in a draw 0-0. The attendance was excellent - 21,907 spectators witnessed the match. Receipts: £4,898 14s. We hope to get that number today.

The composition of the two teams has altered little in a year.

Swindon: Downsborough; Thomas, Trollope; Butler, Blick, Harland; Smith, Horsfield, Smart, Noble, Rogers. Sub. Jones.

Oxford: Barron; Lucas, Shuker; Smithson, Kyle, Clarke; Sloan, Atkinson G., Skeen, Jones, Atkinson R.

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Supporters club notes

A warm welcome today to the supporters of our near neighbours, Oxford United. At the time of writing, Oxford's replay with Leicester City is 24 hours away. If Oxford won and are through to the quarter-finals of the F.A. Cup then I tender our sincere congratulations and best wishes for their joust with either Manchester City or Arsenal. If unfortunately Oxford lost, then our sincere condolences, especially as it would seem possible that it was an unseen hand that stopped a winning goal last Saturday.

Today no doubt will see the usual stern game that we have come to expect in this local derby. Looking back on the records of the last nine League matches with Oxford, I note that, although only scoring one goal altogether, Oxford has collected 7 points. It almost boggles the imagination. Nevertheless, any Oxford Social Club members will be welcomed in our own Social Club - until we are full up of course - before and after the match.

Also today is a Supporters' Club benefit collection for Peter Downsborough, one of the best clubmen Swindon has acquired in recent years. How quickly the five years have passed. We the Supporters' Club Committee members hope that you the supporters will make this a bumper tribute to this sterling character. Many thanks, Pete, for the many hours of earnest endeavour and great games you have given us.

Here are the details of the 33rd Annual Dinner and Dance.

When: Wednesday, 3rd March.

Where: McIlroys Ballroom, Regent St.

Time: Dinner 7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

Dance: 9.30 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Menu: Soup; Halibut au Gratin; Roast Beef Garnie; Dessert; Cheese and Biscuits; Coffee.

Music: Of course, by the Gordon Talbot Band (everything for everybody).

Cost: Dinner and Dance 25/-; Dance only 7/-.

Tickets: From our Social Secretary, Mrs. B. Ranger, 52 Medgbury Road, telephone Swindon 5158 or at the Social Club on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, and before and after every

first team match. Also, any Supporters' Club Committee member. Any Dance tickets left will be on sale at the door on the night of the dance.

Grand National Draw

Tickets for the Annual Grand National Draw have now been distributed. Our promoter this year is Mr. Phil Hart, our Weekly Competition promoter. Prizes? You bet. 1st £100, 2nd £50, 3rd £20, 4th £10. Plus £1 consolation prize for every other runner in the race.

Make sure you have your Draw tickets. The Draw will be held on the 20th March, and unsold books have to be returned by 13th March. So hurry, hurry, hurry!

S.T.F. Supporters' Club - Chippenham Branch

You read about the new Branch at Chippenham a few weeks ago. Its go-ahead Committee has now arranged its first function.

When: Saturday, 13th March.

Where: The Neeld Hall, Chippenham.

Time: 7.30 p.m. until 11.30 p.m.

Tickets: 75p each including refreshments.

Music: Two bands - Rod Mason and his Jazz Band, supported by the Jay Quintet.

Bar: Of course, until 11 p.m.

Tickets: From Mrs. B. Ranger or Mr. N. Swatton at our Social Club any weekend evening, or from Mr. R. McCluskey, 2 Saxon Street, Chippenham, telephone Chippenham 3979. We hope to fill at least a coach from Swindon to support this new venture. Do join us.

Supporters' Social Club Weekly Tote Draws - Results

Sunday, 7th February. Winning Nos. 21-5. Winning ticket No. 2247 wins £41 outright for a lucky R.A.F. Corporal at R.A.F. Lyneham.

Sunday, 14th February. Winning Nos. 22-4. Winning ticket Nos 9756 : 4055 : 6418 : 4492 : 4359 share another £41 prize.

Social Club Fixtures

Tonight dance to The New Roosters. Saturday, 27th February. The Two of Clubs (and a fancy dress night).

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Boswell, the Bolton goalkeeper, just managed to stop this typical Chris Porter drive immediately after the start of the second half.

Don Rogers laid on the third of Noble's goals after racing clear and drawing Boswell forward he crossed the ball to give Peter his hat-trick.



Fixture list 1970/71

DIVISION II

August

15 Hull City	(H) 1—1
19 League Cup (1)
22 Sheffield United	(A) 1—2
29 Sunderland	(H) 2—0

September

1 Watford	(H) 1—1
5 Blackburn Rovers	(A) 0—1
8 League Cup (2) Watford	(H) 4—2
12 Portsmouth	(H) 2—1
19 Carlisle United	(A) 1—2
26 Luton Town	(H) 0—0
29 Millwall	(H) 3—0

October

3 Charlton Athletic	(A) 1—2
6 League Cup (3) Liverpool	(H) 2—0
10 Queen's Park Rangers	(H) 1—0
16 Hull City	(A) 0—2
21 Norwich City	(A) 0—1
24 Middlesbrough	(H) 3—0
28 League Cup (4) Fulham	(A) 0—1
31 Birmingham City	(A) 1—2

November

7 Bristol City	(H) 2—1
14 Leicester City	(A) 1—3
18 League Cup (5)
21 Oxford United (1)	(A) 0—0
28 Sheffield Wednesday	(H) 3—0

December

5 Bolton Wanderers	(A) 3—0
9 League Cup Semi-Final
12 Orient (2)	(H) 1—1
16 League Cup Semi-Final
19 Sheffield United	(H) 3—0
26 Cardiff City	(A) 1—1

1971

January

2 Queen's Park Rangers (3)	(A) 2—1
9 Millwall	(A) 2—2
16 Norwich City	(H) 3—2
23 F.A. Cup (4) Leeds United	(A) 0—4
30 Sheffield Wednesday	(A) 2—2

February

6 Bolton Wanderers	(H) 3—1
13 Orient (5)	(A) 0—1
20 Oxford United	(H)
27 Birmingham City	(H)
(League Cup Final)	

March

6 Middlesbrough (6)	(A)
13 Leicester City	(H)
20 Bristol City	(A)
27 Blackburn Rovers (S.F.)	(H)

April

3 Sunderland	(A)
9
10 Cardiff City	(H)
12 Portsmouth	(A)
13 Charlton Athletic	(H)
17 Queen's Park Rangers	(A)
24 Carlisle United	(H)
28 Watford	(A)

May

1 Luton Town	(A)
8 F.A. Cup Final

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

August

15 Crystal Palace	(A) 2—3
19 Norwich City	(A) 2—1
22 Bournemouth & B.A.	(H) 3—0
25 Chelsea	(H) 3—0
29 Ipswich Town	(A) 1—1

September

5 Oxford United	(H) 2—5
12 Queen's Park Rangers	(A) 1—3
15 Cardiff City	(H) 2—2
19 Bristol Rovers	(H) 2—2
26 West Ham United	(A) 1—3

October

3 Crystal Palace	(H) 2—1
10 Arsenal	(A) 0—7
14 Fulham	(A) 1—2
17 Queen's Park Rangers	(H) 1—1
20 Swansea City	(H) 0—1
31 Birmingham City	(H) 2—2

November

7 Bristol City	(A) 2—4
14 Leicester City	(H) 2—1
21 Fulham	(H) 1—1
24 Gillingham	(A) 1—0
28 Tottenham Hotspur	(A) 0—5

December

5 Plymouth Argyle	(H) 2—0
19 Bournemouth & B.A.	(A) 1—3

1971

January

9 Norwich City	(H) 1—2
16 Chelsea	(A) 0—2
23 Southampton	(A) P
30 Tottenham Hotspur	(H) P

February

6 Plymouth Argyle	(A) 4—2
13 Southampton	(H) 2—0
24 Cardiff City	(A)
27 Birmingham City	(A)

March

6 Gillingham	(H)
13 Leicester City	(A)
20 Bristol City	(H)
31 Oxford United	(A)

April

3 Ipswich Town	(H)
7 Reading	(A)
17 Arsenal	(H)
20 Swansea City	(A)
24 Bristol Rovers	(A)

May

1 West Ham United	(H)
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League table division 2

(up to and including Wednesday, 17th Feb.)

	P	W	D	L	Goals		Pts.
					F	A	
Sheffield United	28	14	9	5	49	32	37
Cardiff City	27	14	8	5	47	31	36
Hull City	27	14	7	6	39	25	35
Luton Town	26	13	8	5	40	19	34
Middlesbrough	28	14	6	8	45	30	34
Carlisle United	28	12	10	6	44	30	34
Leicester City	26	13	7	6	39	25	33
Norwich City	28	10	12	6	36	35	32
Swindon Town	28	11	8	9	41	29	30
Millwall	27	11	6	10	37	31	28
Birmingham City	28	10	8	10	38	27	28
Sunderland	28	11	6	11	37	39	28
Sheffield Wed.	29	9	9	11	38	52	27
Oxford United	26	10	6	10	29	33	26
Q.P.R.	26	8	7	11	35	39	23
Portsmouth	26	8	6	12	34	43	22
Orient	26	5	12	9	20	34	22
Watford	27	6	9	12	27	41	21
Bolton W.	29	7	5	17	28	46	19
Blackburn R.	27	5	8	14	26	43	18
Bristol City	27	5	7	15	29	48	17
Charlton Athletic	26	3	8	15	23	47	14

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(b)



(c)



(d)

Answers at foot of page.

Key of the board

First Section

- A—Arsenal v Ipswich Town
- B—Blackpool v Derby County
- C—Crystal Palace v Coventry City
- D—Everton v Liverpool
- E—Leeds United v Wolverhampton W.
- F—Manchester United v Southampton
- G—Newcastle United v Tottenham H.
- H—Nottingham Forest v Burnley
- I—West Bromwich A. v Huddersfield T.
- J—West Ham U. v Manchester City
- K—Birmingham City v Bolton W.
- L—Blackburn Rovers v Carlisle U.
- M—Bristol City v Millwall
- N—Cardiff City v Charlton Athletic
- O—Leicester City v Norwich City
- P—Middlesbrough v Sheffield W.
- Q—Portsmouth v Luton Town
- R—Queen's Park Rangers v Hull City
- S—Sheffield United v Sunderland
- T—Watford v Orient

Second Section

- A—Bradford City v Bristol Rovers
- B—Fulham v Port Vale
- C—Gillingham v Rochdale
- D—Halifax Town v Tranmere Rovers
- E—Rotherham United v Mansfield Town
- F—Shrewsbury Town v Plymouth A.
- G—Swansea City v Brighton & H.A.
- H—Walsall v Wrexham
- I—Aldershot v Exeter City
- J—Bournemouth & B.A. v Southport
- K—Colchester United v Newport C.
- L—Lincoln City v Notts County
- M—Peterborough U. v Northampton T.
- N—Workington v Cambridge United
- O—York City v Brentford

(a) Middlesbrough; (b) Portsmouth;
(c) Sunderland; (d) Reading.

A Noble effort

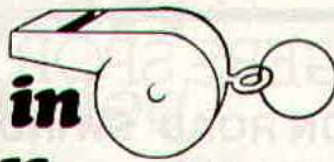


This spectacular diving header by Peter Noble left the Bolton defence helpless and put Swindon 2-0 in the lead.

Frank Burrows up with the attack. Getting on the scoring list against Norwich Frank was trying his luck against Bolton.



the man in the middle



Ronald Challis

Started refereeing in 1952 while serving with the R.A.F. in Singapore, he graduated through various local leagues after returning to England and was appointed to the Southern League list in 1959. In 1962 he was appointed to the Football League Line and became a Football League referee in 1968.

Some of his more important matches have been Inter Cities Fairs Cup Linfield v Vitorria in 1968 and a quarter-final for the F.A. Challenge Trophy in 1969/70.

A production officer for an industrial staff magazine, Mr. Capey is married with two sons aged eight and seven years. He is very interested in photography and enjoys swimming and playing squash. A keen member of the Referees Association he was Treasurer of the Kent Referees Association for 10 years and is at present Chairman of the Tunbridge Wells branch, a position he has held for the last eight years.

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Oxford United



Mick Kearns (Goalkeeper)

Height 6ft 3in. Weight 11st 12lb. Born Banbury. Joined the Club as an apprentice. Now a professional. This 19-year-old giant of a goalkeeper played in 3 first team matches last season and conceded only one goal. He shows considerable promise.

Robin Gladwin (Full back)

Height 5ft 11in. Weight 12st 1lb. Born Harlow. Previously with Norwich City F.C., joined Oxford in 1968. He was a regular first team player in the earlier part of last season, but had to undergo a cartilage operation which meant he forfeited his place in the side. He is a consistent player and a good club man. Played 22 first team games last season.

Peter Hatch (Full-back or Centre-half)

Height 5ft 10in. Weight 11st. Born Wargrave. Peter was an apprentice at the Club before signing professional forms in 1966. He came into the first team side at the latter end of last season and showed considerable promise. He played five matches and scored one goal.

Richard Lucas (Full-back)

Height 5ft 11in. Weight 12st 8lb. Born Witney. Dick's form made him Oxford's most improved player last season. He made 49 first team appearances.

John Shuker (Full-back)

Height 5ft 9in. Weight 11st 5lb. Born Mansfield. Signed in 1960, John, after playing in many positions, has settled at left back and has showed most consistent form. He played 41 games last season scoring 3 goals.

Brian Thompson (Midfield)

Height 5ft 8in. Weight 10st 11lb. Born Brierly Hill. Signed last season from Wolverhampton F.C. and played 22 first team matches scoring two goals. Brian is a young 20-year-old who showed considerable promise after breaking into first team football midway through the season.

Colin Clarke (Centre-half)

Height 6ft. Weight 12st 8lb. Born Penilee Gw. Previously with Arsenal F.C., he signed for Oxford in 1965. A big, strong, aggressive defender. Scored one goal last season in 47 first team appearances.

Michael Way (Midfield)

Height 5ft 7in. Weight 11st 2lb. Born Salisbury. Joined Oxford from a local club and played in three first team matches last season. This busy 20-year-old looks as if he could make regular first team football this year.

Colin Harrington (Winger)

Height 5ft 11in. Weight 12st 7lb. Born Bicester. Signed for Oxford in 1962 from Wolverhampton F.C. Colin is fast and direct. He played 13 League matches last season and scored 2 goals.

Peter Clinch (Centre-half)

Height 6ft 1in. Weight 12st 9lb. Born Coventry. A young 19-year-old who made two first team League appearances last season and showed considerable promise.

Roy Clayton (Striker)

Height 5ft 9in. Weight 10st 10lb. Born Dudley. Joined Oxford from Warley F.C., playing eight League games last season and scored one goal. Roy is 20 years old and has shown considerable promise and improvement in his games.

Ken Skeen (Striker)

Height 5ft 10in. Weight 11st 12lb. Born Cheltenham. Ken's non-stop work as front man at Oxford last season was invaluable. He scored 14 goals in 50 first team appearances.

Nigel Cassidy (Striker)

Born Sudbury, Suffolk. Joined Oxford during November 1970. Was transferred from Norwich to Scunthorpe December 1968. Previously with Lowestoft Town.



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SATURDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1971

Division II – Kick-off 3 p.m.

Swindon Town v Birmingham City

SATURDAY, 6th MARCH, 1971

Football Combination – Kick-off 3 p.m.

Swindon Town v Gillingham

SATURDAY, 13th MARCH, 1971

Division II – Kick-off 3 p.m.

Swindon Town v Leicester City

our visitors *continued*

Rodney Smithson (Centre-half)

Height 5ft 11in. Weight 11st 9lb. Born Leicester. Joined Oxford from Arsenal groundstaff in 1964. Although he has been a consistent performer for United, he probably enjoyed his best season last year.

Ron Atkinson (Midfield)

Height 6ft. Weight 13st 13lb. Born Liverpool. Previously with Aston Villa F.C. Ron has played for Oxford since 1959 and has skippered the side through Southern League to the present position. Is a model of consistency playing in 48 games for the Club last season.

David Jones (Midfield)

Height 5ft 8in. Weight 10st 6lb. Born Brixham. Joined United from Arsenal where he was an apprentice. He played 12 first team games last season. With his speed and directness David is a player who could renew his challenge for a first team place.

David Sloan (Winger)

Height 5ft 7in. Weight 12st 7lb. Born Lisburn NI. Gained an Irish Under-23 cap after joining Oxford in 1963 from Scunthorpe F.C. David is a good finisher and outstanding in the air for a player of his size. Played 32 first team games last season, scoring nine goals.

John Evanson (Midfield)

Height 5ft 8in. Weight 11st 11lb. Born Newcastle. Joined Oxford in 1965 from Towcester. At the latter end of last season this boy, at last, showed the form which he has so often promised. He played 13 games in the first team last season.

Graham Atkinson (Midfield)

Height 5ft 10in. Weight 12st 7lb. Born Liverpool. Like his brother, joined Oxford from Aston Villa in 1960. He is a constructive player and shows flair in midfield. He played in 45 games last season and scored six goals.



Peter Noble says 'thanks' to Don Rogers after the winger had unselfishly teed-up his third goal.

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GREAT BRITAIN v BULGARIA

At Wembley Stadium on

Wednesday, 24th March, 1971, kick-off 7.45 p.m.

As you have probably read in the National Press, the Great Britain football team has been drawn to play Bulgaria in the First Qualifying Round of the 1972 Olympic Games Football Tournament. The tie is played on a home-and-away basis and both matches must be completed by early May of this year. It has now been decided to stage the home match at Wembley Stadium on the evening of March 24th, 1971.

We will almost certainly be seeing at Wembley what amounts to Bulgaria's full international team. The Olympic side will be facing a difficult task in attempting to qualify against such opponents. The support of a large body of spectators will encourage them, but quite apart from the support accorded the team, the match as a match should be worth watching.

Prices for tickets for the match are 20/- (numbered and reserved seats), 16/- and 12/- (reserved seats) and 6/- (standing) and these are available from:

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