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## NEWS & VIEWS

Usually in this item, and more especially this season, we refer to meeting old friends even of Southern League days. Today is quite different, as this is the first time we have had the pleasure of meeting Maidstone. We trust they will enjoy their visit, always bearing in mind, the fact that the result must go in our favour.

The only thing in common between the two clubs as far as I know is that both were among the original entries for the F.A. Amateur Cup Competition which began in season 1893-94. At the end of that season Swindon became a professional club, so our association with the Amateur Cup lasted one season.

One other fact emerges, both clubs, became full members of the Football Association in 1909, the year of its inauguration.

Today's game against a non-league club will stir the memories of some of our older supporters. Prior to 1925 the first round of the F.A. Cup Competition took place in January. That year however, because of the increasing number of entries, the F.A. decided to have more rounds so the First Round was played in November, and the clubs taking part were those in Division 3 North and South, and others who had played through the

qualifying rounds.

Sam Allen, then Manager of Swindon Town, known and respected throughout the Football world, came out strongly against this plan, the Cain and Abel business as he called it. As the clubs from Divisions 1 and 2 did not come into the competition until Round 3 (this still appertains today) it meant the clubs in Division 3 eliminated each other (cut their own throats, as someone said).

However in that season 1925 in Round 1 Swindon was drawn away to Farnham United Breweries. A place few people had heard about. The ground almost resembled a Recreation Ground. Sam said very little to the players before a match, but on this occasion he strode into the dressing room and declared in a loud voice "Just go out and show what a farce this re-organisation is". Result: Swindon 10 Farnham Breweries 1.

In the following round to continue the saga, Swindon defeated Sittingbourne at home by 7 goals to nil. The next round against Clapton, an Isthmian League team was played on West Ham's Ground. Result: Swindon 3 Clapton 2.

With due respect to our visitors one feels even after 50 years Sam Allen was right, a few rounds in the F.A. Cup can be

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# Cup run aids Maidstone's league hopes

by Tony Pullein

Ambitious Maidstone United today play in the second round of the F.A. Cup for the first time in their history, their achievement in doing so merely emphasising what tremendous strides this club has made over the past three or four years. In 1971 they were bottom of the Isthmian League, playing before gates of 50. Two years later they won the championship of the Southern League First Division (South) after missing promotion by only one point a year earlier. Last season they finished fifth in the Premier Division.

Maidstone make no secret of the fact that their goal is a place in the Football League. And go-ahead manager Robbie Stepney knows that good performances in the F.A. Cup can work as a splendid short-cut to League admission.

So let us not delude ourselves into believing this will be an easy tie. Maidstone United are no ordinary non-League club and they have many players of vast experience in the Football League to boost their hopes.

One of many ideas, in the interests of good public relations, is to give all their players a number at the commencement of the season which they retain in every game. Thus Chic Brodie, that well known goal-keeper of many clubs, will wear the number 17 jersey if picked today.

To facilitate identification, I shall quote each player's number in brackets after his name. All 18 players come under consideration.

Bobby Hunt (14), Paul Everest (12), Phil Basey (11), Alan Morton (13) and Keith Down (15) are the strikers.

Hunt had a phenomenal scoring record in the Football League, commencing at Colchester where his haul of 37 League goals in 1961/62 remains to this day a club record. After leaving Layer Road in 1964, Bobby moved on to Northampton, Millwall, Ipswich and Charlton. After a brief return to Northampton, he signed for Reading in January 1973 where he remained until signing for Maidstone this summer. Bobby scored 124 goals in League football.

Everest spent his early days with Queen's Park Rangers and, though he didn't get into the first-team, he was personally recommended to Maidstone by Gordon Jago. Aldershot wanted him, too, Paul preferred the set-up at Maidstone.

Basey, second-highest scorer with 20 goals last season, is renowned as one of the Southern League's most dangerous strikers. Before joining Maidstone, Phil hit 119 goals in four seasons with Crawley. Earlier in his career he spent a couple of seasons with Brentford and later played for Gloucester and Folkestone.

Morton, who hit 12 goals in only 20 games last season, began his professional career with Crystal Palace but it was after transferring to Stockport County in 1969 that he made his League debut. After one season he joined Fulham and, though he scored in his first game against Halifax, he was never given another chance! He decided to join Wimbledon and, from there, he went to Ashford, helping them reach the semi-finals of the F.A. Challenge Trophy in 1973.

Keith Down was a reserve player at Southampton, kept out of the senior side by the



consistency of Terry Paine. He then went to Poole Town, Basingstoke and Dover prior to signing for the "Stones".

Aidan O'Sullivan (8), Bob Finch (16), Peter Tough (10) and Dicky Plume (6) are the midfield players.

O'Sullivan is a former West Ham amateur who has played most of his subsequent football in the Kent area. He spent four years with Gravesend before linking with Maidstone.

Finch played several games in the First and Second Divisions for Queen's Park Rangers then emigrated to join South African club Cape Town for a couple of seasons. An injury put him out of the game until he made his come-back with Maidstone last season.

Tough began his career with Norwich City, moving on later to King's Lynn and Romford on this way to Maidstone. Plume played League football with both Millwall and Orient, went non-League with Barnet in 1971 and signed for Maidstone this season.

Defenders are Jimmy McVeigh (9), Colin Priestley (5), Barry Richardson (4), Alex Sheridan (2), Paul Kempton (7) and Alan Barker (3).

McVeigh had a couple of outings with Wolves' senior team and became a regular with Gillingham in 1970&71. He had played in defence and in midfield for the "Stones". Priestley was with close rivals Ramsgate for 11 years before linking with Maidstone.

Richardson is a versatile player who turned out in every position except goal

for his previous club Dartford. He was on two occasions their leading scorer. Early on in his career he was with Gillingham.

Sheridan captained the Scottish school-boys' XI and was a first-teamer for Queen's Park, the Hampden based Scottish amateur side, when he was 16. He was then picked on ten occasions for the Scottish amateur side. After leaving Scotland in 1970 he spent one season with Brighton.

Kempton joined Queen's Park Rangers from school but, after being free, he took up his career with Maidstone. Barker, the club captain, served Cambridge City, Northampton Town, Stevenage and Wellingborough on route to Maidstone.

Goalkeeper Johnny Maggs (1) was once a Millwall junior but, though offered terms by Gillingham, he preferred to go part-time with Herne Bay and then Crawley where he remained for two years. Johnny, playing centre-forward last season in an emergency, scored two goals.

The other goalkeepers are Chich Brodie and Pater Carmen who both wear number 17. Brodie played over 400 League games for Gillingham, Aldershot, Wolves, Northampton and Brentford after kicking-off at Manchester City. Carmen is a young player who is being carefully groomed for the future.

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PHIL BASEY



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JOHNNY MAGGS



## PHIL BASEY

Scoring goals is Phil Basey's speciality, he's had that knack for a long time.

Cardiff-born Phil has been regarded as one of the most prolific Southern League goal grabbers for years.

He is 26, married, and started his career at Brentford. Phil played senior Sunday League football gaining considerable success before accepting a trial at Brentford.

He stayed two years at Griffin Park as an amateur and one as a professional. During his amateur days he gained his county cap for Middlesex.

After playing several first team games for Brentford Phil left for Gloucester City and the following year he signed for Folkestone

In September 1968 Phil moved to Crawley. In four seasons he grabbed 119 goals and last year he was second top scorer with 20 goals.

## JOHNNY MAGGS

This 30 year old goalkeeper missed only half a dozen games in his 10 season spell with Crawley Town.

He made around 650 outings and Crawley rejected a substantial bid from Southend when he was 20.

He made several appearances in the field for Crawley and last season when Stones were hit by injury he played at centre forward in the Kent Senior Cup.

He grabbed two goals in his new position and proved he is skilled in other departments as well as in goal.

Born in Woolwich Johnny, who is married with two children, toured Germany as a schoolboy international.

He became a Millwall Colt before moving to Herne Bay for three seasons and then on to Crawley, at 18.

He was offered professional terms at Gillingham, where he would have been understudy to John Simpson, but turned them down to join Crawley.

Last season it was Simpson who was understudy for Maggs at Maidstone.

## PETER TOUGH

Peter Tough, Maidstone's driving force in mid-field, came to Kent two years ago and he has played a big part in his club's rise in the Southern League.

His fighting qualities have made Stones solid in the middle.

A native of Harleston, Norfolk Peter, 27, joined Norwich City from school and played for their youth team.

He progressed from apprentice to full professional on his 18th birthday but after two seasons he left Carrow Road to join nearby Southern League outfit Kings Lynn.

Romford was the next stop and from Essex Peter moved to Maidstone United where he has 103 appearances.

He brought his century up against Grantham at the end of last season.

Peter remembers his greatest moment in any game came when he took on five players, beat them all and scored when playing for King's Lynn.

## The man in the middle



**RONALD CHARLES CRABB (Exeter).** Began refereeing while serving in the Royal Marines and worked his way through the Western League to The League line in 1967. Promoted to the Supplementary list in 1969, went on to the full list the following year. Refereed many service finals and Devon senior and junior finals and was on the line for last season's F.A. Cup semi-final, Liverpool v. Leicester City. Married with a son and a daughter, he works as a Prison Officer and his hobbies include carpentry and coaching young referees. He is also a member of the Devon F.A. Coaching Panel.



# The Chairmans Column

Once again we have the excitement of Cup tie football and we hope and expect to figure in the draw for the next round after today.

Our attendance against Colchester of over ten thousand after the last round of the cup augers well for the remainder of the season, if we can keep winning. Last Saturday away at Hereford we were supported with over ten coaches and many supporters travelled by car. We were disappointed to lose both points, but that is what the game is all about, and I know that our lads have enough character to put these games behind them.

Our injury problems at the moment are lighter than for some time and of the senior players only Ron Potter is still under treatment with Jimmy Allen nearing fitness.

The only thing that one can say about injuries is the fact, that it gives an opportunity to someone else to come into the teams. I understand that Michael Lawrence gave a very creditable performance against Leicester Reserves on Saturday last. This was his first chance in the reserve team because Jimmy Allen was unfit. With Keith James and Ian Farr we were fielding three lads that left school this summer. Another youngster showing a lot of promise and who has played in the London Combination side is Trevor Brinkworth who also left school in the summer. Trevor's brother plays in the Swindon Schoolboys' team and we hope he will be joining our staff next summer. Along side Trevor plays another youngster by the name of Neville Algar. Neville hails from Kings Lynn and he also left school in the summer. These lads have their future in front of them and what an opportunity they have today compared to the good old days that we used to hear so much about. It isn't many years ago that boys who left school to become footballers were called ground staff lads and they did more menial jobs than they do today. With hostels to live in and modern training

methods every opportunity is given to the eager apprentice today.

What of the future, we are reading about freedom of contract and the end of the transfer system - where will it lead us. We hope that a sensible solution will be reached whereby both the players and the clubs will benefit. From the Clubs point of view, if they have spent a lot of time and money on a boy, grooming him until he is ready for the big time surely the club is entitled to hold his registration for a period of time as long as the player is protected by a realistic wages clause. From the players point of view he feels that he should not be tied to a club against his wishes and that sometimes in these circumstances a Club will impose too large a fee on his head to prevent him moving. There are many arguments for and against but I am sure that a solution can be found that can benefit both player and club.

Our generous supporters who donate match balls have again shown their sincerity by enabling us to cover every home match for this season and we are now allocating donors to cup ties. We hope that we shall have the opportunity to accept several balls in this competition.

The fourth edition of 'Fan Fare' is being distributed this weekend. I am sure that our supporters will find a lot of interesting reading. We are distributing them into the country areas from where we get such a tremendous following. We held a second meeting this week with our Liaison Officers from the country districts which proved very helpful and many useful suggestions come out of these meetings. One idea put forward to help people who live away from Swindon and who find difficulty in obtaining transport to and from the match was for such people to write either to the club or to contact the Liaison Officer in their area when either the Liaison Officer may be able to organise transport or if sufficient people write to the club we might be able to



**News and Views - continued**

almost a life saver to clubs in Division 3 and 4, especially when the bigger clubs are involved.

Maidstone United's Record.

Southern League (First Division South)

| 1971-72 | P  | W  | D  | L | F  | A  | Pts. |
|---------|----|----|----|---|----|----|------|
|         | 30 | 14 | 10 | 6 | 48 | 28 | 38   |

Position - third.

|         |    |    |    |   |    |    |    |
|---------|----|----|----|---|----|----|----|
| 1972-73 | 42 | 25 | 12 | 5 | 90 | 38 | 62 |
|---------|----|----|----|---|----|----|----|

Position - top

Southern League (Premier Division)

|         | P  | W  | D  | L  | F  | A  | Pts. |
|---------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| 1973-74 | 42 | 16 | 14 | 12 | 54 | 43 | 46   |

Position - fifth

To date played 16 points 15.



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**Chairman's column continued**

organise something. The transport problem is not confined to country supporters only as we know from past experience that our supporters who come from such areas as Rodbourne, Penhill and from the outskirts of the housing

estates would appreciate additional public transport running to and from the ground. We have approached both the local Corporation and the Bristol Omnibus Company in passed seasons without success but if we have sufficient requests I feel we could try again.

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# Danny's Desk



Almost everyone I meet express their pleasure at the exciting and enjoyable game here at the County Ground against Colchester United. I am sure that everyone who came to that match left the ground thinking that this is what football is all about. All credit to Colchester United who came here prepared to play football. In reverse most of you who went to Hereford on Saturday last came away a little disappointed. We lost this match by giving away two simple goals and we must learn that if we are to regain our position in Division 2 that equal effort is required away from home as it is in front of the home supporters. But let us forget that match and look forward to our game today with Maidstone United whom we welcome to the County Ground. Maidstone have progressed from a struggling amateur club in whom interest in their town had reached rock bottom to a highly successful professional outfit to attain football league status. Last season they failed by one point to gain promotion to the premier division of the southern league and I am sure that our game today is going to be by no means a walkover for us.

We have had two interesting meetings with our new Liaison Officers and these folk, who are extremely interested in the future of Swindon Town have made some very useful suggestions, for example, kicking autographed footballs into the crowd prior to a match. Contrary to the report in the Football Pink recently, these balls do not cost £100, in fact, they are only 60p or 70p each and if anyone reading these notes wishes to assist us in a material way by donating some of these balls, please let me or Bob Jefferies know, we shall be only too pleased to hear from you. We also require a few more volunteers to act as Liaison Officers and if any of you feel that you could assist us in this way please let us know. We have completely informal meetings in the Board Room and you could be of extreme usefulness in assisting with the progress of the Club, so please give this matter some serious consideration.

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# F.A. Cup Scene

Tony Pullein

Today's second round ties probably provide the last real chance of pulling off a publicity-drawing giant-killing act for most of the surviving non-League clubs. Success today — plus the possibility of being drawn against a famous First Division team — could bring unprecedented fame and wealth to one or two of the outstanding "minnows".

Wigan Athletic, for instance, having held one of the top Fourth Division sides Shrewsbury Town on their own ground, and then beaten them in the replay, are confident of further success at home to another crack Fourth Division side — Mansfield Town.

Victory today would put Wigan into the third round for the second time in four years and give their own Fourth Division ambitions a tremendous boost.

Stafford Rangers, playing in the second round for the first time after disposing of Scunthorpe, have an excellent chance of further progress when they receive Third Division strugglers Halifax Town who have yet to win away from home in the League this season.

Bobby Charlton is certainly not happy about taking his Preston side back to the North-East for another everything-to-lose-but-little-to-gain tie. Preston were shocked by Blyth Spartans in the last round and were rather fortunate to scrape a replay which they won well. Now they travel to Bishop Auckland.

One of the most interesting ties could be the one at Wycombe which sees the local Wanderers facing a worried Bournemouth with every prospect of pulling off a shock victory.

Two other outsiders who don't appear to have much hope, even though they have ground advantage, are Leatherhead and Ilford. Leatherhead must face Colchester United who are enjoying a good run in

the League and recently created a club record by reaching the quarter-finals of the League Cup.

Ilford have a local derby against Southend United, currently one of the most successful Third Division clubs.

Whatever happens, two non-League clubs are guaranteed a place in the third round — winners of the Altrincham v. Gateshead and Wimbledon v. Kettering ties. Most League fans, particularly those whose memories go back to the Third Division (North) days, will be hoping Gateshead make it.

Gateshead were very surprisingly voted out of the Football League in 1960 since when their fortunes have swung violently downwards. At one stage they applied to join the Scottish League but were turned down on geographical grounds.

Things got so bad this summer that the club had planned to close down. Who knows now that this latest reprieve could lead to a very famous revival?

## Danny's Desk continued

We still have three players with injury problems and Ron Potter who has been out of action for some weeks now had the plaster removed from his ankle on Wednesday last but at the time of writing these notes we are not certain of the condition of his injury and it is most unlikely that he will be fit for at least another two weeks. Jimmy Allen is receiving treatment for a thigh strain and Andy Young has a torn muscle in his thigh.

May I ask you once again to give the lads your vocal encouragement this afternoon cheer them on to the next round of the Cup.



# DIVISION 3

| DATE        | OPPONENTS              | RESULT |   |
|-------------|------------------------|--------|---|
|             |                        | F      | A |
| 1974        |                        |        |   |
| Aug. 17     | Bury                   | H 0    | 2 |
| 20          | League Cup 1           |        |   |
|             | Portsmouth             | H 0    | 1 |
| 24          | Port Vale              | A 2    | 2 |
| 31          | Blackburn Rovers       | H 2    | 0 |
| Sept. 3     | Tranmere Rovers        | H 0    | 0 |
| 7           | Crystal Palace         | A 2    | 6 |
| 14          | Plymouth Argyle        | H 2    | 0 |
| 17          | Aldershot              | H 3    | 2 |
| 21          | Charlton Athletic      | A 3    | 3 |
| 24          | Walsall                | A 0    | 2 |
| 28          | Watford                | H 2    | 2 |
| Oct. Oct. 5 | Chesterfield           | A 2    | 0 |
|             | Southend United        | H 2    | 0 |
| 12          | Halifax Town           | A 0    | 0 |
| 19          | Wrexham                | H 2    | 1 |
| 21          | Tranmere Rovers        | A 0    | 3 |
| 26          | Huddersfield Town      | A 2    | 2 |
| Nov. 2      | Grimsby Town           | H 3    | 2 |
| 5           | Chesterfield           | H 1    | 0 |
| 9           | Brighton & Hove Albion | A 1    | 1 |
| 16          | Gillingham             | H 1    | 0 |
| 23          | Reading F.A. Cup       | H 4    | 0 |
| 30          | Colchester United      | H 4    | 1 |
| Dec 4       | League Cup 5           | A 1    | 2 |
| 7           | Hereford United        | A      |   |
| 14          | F.A. Cup 2 Maidstone   | H      |   |
| 21          | Peterborough United    | H      |   |
| 26          | Plymouth Argyle        | A      |   |
| 28          | AFC Bournemouth        | H      |   |
| 1975        |                        |        |   |
| Jan. 4      | Aldershot (3)          | A      |   |
| 11          | Hereford United        | H      |   |
| 15          | League Cup SF          |        |   |
| 18          | Colchester United      | A      |   |
| 22          | League Cup SF          |        |   |
| 25          | Preston North End      | A      |   |
| Feb. 1      | Brighton & Hove A.     | H      |   |
| 8           | Grimsby Town           | A      |   |
| 15          | Preston North End (5)  | H      |   |
| 22          | Gillingham             | A      |   |
| Mar. 1      | Blackburn Rovers (LCF) | A      |   |
| 8           | Walsall (6)            | H      |   |
| 15          | Watford                | A      |   |
| 18          | Bury                   | A      |   |
| 22          | Crystal Palace         | H      |   |
| 28          |                        |        |   |
| 29          | Peterborough United    | A      |   |
| 31          | AFC Bournemouth        | A      |   |
| Apr. 1      | Charlton Athletic      | H      |   |
| 5           | Huddersfield Town (SF) | H      |   |

| DATE  | OPPONENTS              | RESULT |   |
|-------|------------------------|--------|---|
|       |                        | F      | A |
| 5     | Huddersfield Town (SF) | H      |   |
| 11    | Southend United        | A      |   |
| 19    | Halifax Town           | H      |   |
| 22    | Port Vale              | H      |   |
| 26    | Wrexham                | A      |   |
| May 3 | F.A. Cup Final         |        |   |

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION

| DATE    | OPPONENTS         | RESULT |           |
|---------|-------------------|--------|-----------|
|         |                   | F      | A         |
| 1974    |                   |        |           |
| Aug. 17 | Ipswich Town      | A 0    | 5         |
| 20      | Bristol Rovers    | A      | Postponed |
| 24      | Oxford United     | H 0    | 4         |
| 27      | Bristol Rovers    | H 0    | 1         |
| 31      | Arsenal           | A 0    | 1         |
| Sept. 7 | Q.P.R.            | H 0    | 3         |
| 14      | West Ham United   | A 0    | 5         |
| 18      | Oxford United     | A 0    | 1         |
| 21      | Crystal Palace    | H 0    | 3         |
| 28      | Bournemouth       | A 2    | 2         |
| Oct. 9  | Reading           | A      | Postponed |
| 12      | Cardiff City      | H 1    | 0         |
| 19      | Chelsea           | A 0    | 4         |
| 22      | Southampton       | H      | Postponed |
| Nov. 2  | Bristol City      | A 0    | 1         |
| 9       | Tottenham Hotspur | H 0    | 2         |
| 16      | Luton Town        | A 1    | 3         |
| 23(1)   | Norwich City      | H      | Postponed |
| 30      | Birmingham City   | A 2    | 2         |
| Dec. 7  | Leicester City    | H 1    | 2         |
| 14(2)   | Ipswich Town      | H      |           |
| 17      | Fulham            | A      |           |
| Jan. 1  | Plymouth Argyle   | H      |           |
| 1975    |                   |        |           |
| 4 (3)   |                   |        |           |
| 11      | Leicester City    | A      |           |
| 18      | Birmingham City   | H      |           |
| 25 (4)  | West Ham United   | H      |           |
| Feb. 1  | Tottenham Hotspur | A      |           |
| 8       | Luton Town        | H      |           |
| 15(5)   | Norwich City      | A      |           |
| 22      | Bristol City      | H      |           |
| 26      | Crystal Palace    | A      |           |
| Mar. 1  | Arsenal           | H      |           |
| 8(6)    | Q.P.R.            | A      |           |
| 15      | Fulham            | H      |           |
| 29      | Bournemouth       | H      |           |
| 31      | Plymouth Argyle   | A      |           |
| Apr. 7  | Cardiff City (SF) | A      |           |
| 12      | Reading           | H      |           |
| 22      | Southampton       | A      |           |
| 26      | Chelsea           | H      |           |
| May. 3  | F.A. Cup Final    |        |           |



**FOOTBALL COMBINATION**

Table of results to Tuesday, 10th December 1974 (not inclusive)

|                     | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | Pts. |
|---------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|------|
| Bristol City        | 20 | 15 | 2 | 3  | 44 | 19 | 32   |
| Chelsea             | 19 | 12 | 6 | 1  | 41 | 16 | 30   |
| Plymouth Argyle     | 18 | 12 | 3 | 3  | 39 | 22 | 27   |
| Ipswich Town        | 16 | 11 | 1 | 4  | 29 | 16 | 23   |
| Luton Town          | 18 | 9  | 5 | 4  | 36 | 21 | 23   |
| Leicester City      | 21 | 8  | 6 | 7  | 28 | 24 | 22   |
| Arsenal             | 20 | 8  | 4 | 8  | 22 | 21 | 20   |
| Southampton         | 16 | 8  | 3 | 5  | 37 | 22 | 19   |
| Norwich City        | 17 | 6  | 5 | 6  | 28 | 23 | 17   |
| Tottenham Hotspur   | 16 | 7  | 3 | 6  | 24 | 25 | 17   |
| Queens Park Rangers | 18 | 6  | 5 | 7  | 25 | 28 | 17   |
| Cardiff City        | 19 | 7  | 3 | 9  | 36 | 43 | 17   |
| A.F.C. Bournemouth  | 17 | 6  | 4 | 7  | 20 | 26 | 16   |
| Birmingham City     | 19 | 5  | 6 | 8  | 20 | 27 | 16   |
| Crystal Palace      | 20 | 7  | 2 | 11 | 32 | 43 | 16   |
| Bristol Rovers      | 19 | 6  | 4 | 9  | 18 | 29 | 16   |
| Oxford United       | 19 | 7  | 1 | 11 | 22 | 28 | 15   |
| Fulham              | 16 | 4  | 4 | 8  | 17 | 23 | 12   |
| Reading             | 16 | 5  | 1 | 10 | 21 | 41 | 11   |
| West Ham United     | 18 | 2  | 2 | 14 | 19 | 36 | 6    |
| Swindon Town        | 16 | 2  | 2 | 12 | 8  | 38 | 6    |

**DIVISION 3**

|              | Home Goals |   |   |   |    | Away Goals |   |   |    |    | Pts |    |
|--------------|------------|---|---|---|----|------------|---|---|----|----|-----|----|
|              | P          | W | D | L | A  | W          | D | L | A  |    |     |    |
| Blackburn    | 21         | 8 | 3 | 0 | 17 | 6          | 3 | 3 | 4  | 10 | 11  | 28 |
| Swindon      | 22         | 9 | 2 | 1 | 22 | 10         | 1 | 5 | 4  | 13 | 21  | 27 |
| C. Palace    | 21         | 8 | 2 | 1 | 23 | 12         | 3 | 2 | 5  | 9  | 16  | 26 |
| Colchester   | 22         | 7 | 3 | 2 | 23 | 10         | 2 | 4 | 4  | 13 | 17  | 26 |
| Charlton     | 21         | 8 | 2 | 1 | 27 | 15         | 3 | 1 | 6  | 10 | 17  | 26 |
| Plymouth     | 21         | 8 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 5          | 3 | 1 | 7  | 13 | 21  | 26 |
| Peterborough | 21         | 6 | 3 | 1 | 12 | 6          | 4 | 2 | 5  | 9  | 17  | 26 |
| Preston      | 22         | 8 | 1 | 2 | 22 | 10         | 2 | 3 | 6  | 13 | 18  | 24 |
| Port Vale    | 21         | 6 | 3 | 0 | 18 | 9          | 2 | 5 | 5  | 13 | 18  | 24 |
| Southend     | 22         | 7 | 3 | 2 | 21 | 9          | 2 | 2 | 6  | 7  | 13  | 23 |
| Hereford     | 22         | 7 | 3 | 2 | 21 | 7          | 2 | 2 | 6  | 9  | 21  | 23 |
| Wrexham      | 21         | 5 | 4 | 1 | 20 | 10         | 2 | 4 | 5  | 13 | 17  | 22 |
| Watford      | 22         | 5 | 4 | 2 | 16 | 13         | 1 | 6 | 4  | 13 | 20  | 22 |
| Walsall      | 21         | 6 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 6          | 1 | 4 | 6  | 12 | 21  | 20 |
| Bury         | 22         | 5 | 3 | 2 | 15 | 6          | 2 | 2 | 8  | 8  | 17  | 19 |
| Gillingham   | 21         | 5 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 10         | 1 | 3 | 7  | 10 | 19  | 18 |
| Halifax      | 21         | 5 | 4 | 2 | 17 | 11         | 0 | 4 | 6  | 7  | 21  | 18 |
| Grimsby      | 21         | 6 | 1 | 3 | 20 | 14         | 2 | 1 | 8  | 9  | 26  | 18 |
| Bournemouth  | 20         | 5 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 8          | 2 | 2 | 6  | 6  | 13  | 17 |
| Chesterfield | 21         | 4 | 4 | 3 | 17 | 14         | 2 | 0 | 8  | 13 | 21  | 16 |
| Brighton     | 21         | 5 | 4 | 1 | 15 | 11         | 1 | 0 | 10 | 6  | 23  | 16 |
| Tranmere     | 20         | 6 | 1 | 3 | 21 | 9          | 0 | 2 | 8  | 8  | 18  | 16 |
| Aldershot    | 21         | 6 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 11         | 0 | 3 | 8  | 4  | 18  | 15 |

**FOR THE RECORD**

**DIVISION 3 – 30th November 1974.**

**SWINDON TOWN 4** (Eastoe, Moss 3 (2 pens))  
Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Hubbard, Burrows, Prophett, Moss, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler, Anderson, Jenkins (S).

**COLCHESTER UNITED 1** (Svarc)  
Walker, Dominey, Packer, Leslie, Harford, Bunke'l, Thomas, Svarc, Froggatt, Lindsay, Cook, Smith (S).

**FOOTBALL COMBINATION**

**BIRMINGHAM CITY 2**

**SWINDON TOWN 2** (Syrett 2)  
Allan, Chalklin, Tanner, Munks, Broom, Stroud, Gill, Gilligan, Syrett, Mackan, Gardner, Farr (S).

**DIVISION 3 – 7th December 1974.**

**HEREFORD UNITED 2** (Redrobe, McNeil)  
Hughes, Lee, Byrne, Layton, Rylands, Emery, Paine, Tyler, Redrobe, McNeil, Lee, Evans (S).

**SWINDON TOWN 1** (Eastoe)

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Hubbard, Burrows, Prophett, Moss, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler, Anderson, Syrett (S).

**FOOTBALL COMBINATION**

**SWINDON TOWN 1** (Farr)

Lawrence, Chalklin, Tanner, Stroud, Broom, Young, Gilligan, Gill, Farr, Maclean, Jenkins, Gardner (S).

**LEICESTER CITY 2**

**HOME ATTENDANCES**

| Opponents             | Attendances | League Average |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Bury                  | 6441        | 6441           |
| Portsmouth (L.Cup)    | 4779        | —              |
| Blackburn Rovers      | 4951        | 5696           |
| Tranmere Rovers       | 5511        | 5634           |
| Plymouth Argyle       | 5496        | 5599           |
| Aldershot             | 5733        | 5626           |
| Watford               | 6326        | 5743           |
| Southend              | 6690        | 5878           |
| Wrexham               | 6731        | 5985           |
| Grimsby Town          | 7198        | 6119           |
| Chesterfield          | 8277        | 6335           |
| Gillingham            | 8847        | 6563           |
| Reading               | 13,365      | -              |
| Colchester (F.A. Cup) | 10072       | 6256           |





Frank Burrows wins this one in the air against the Colchester United centre forward.

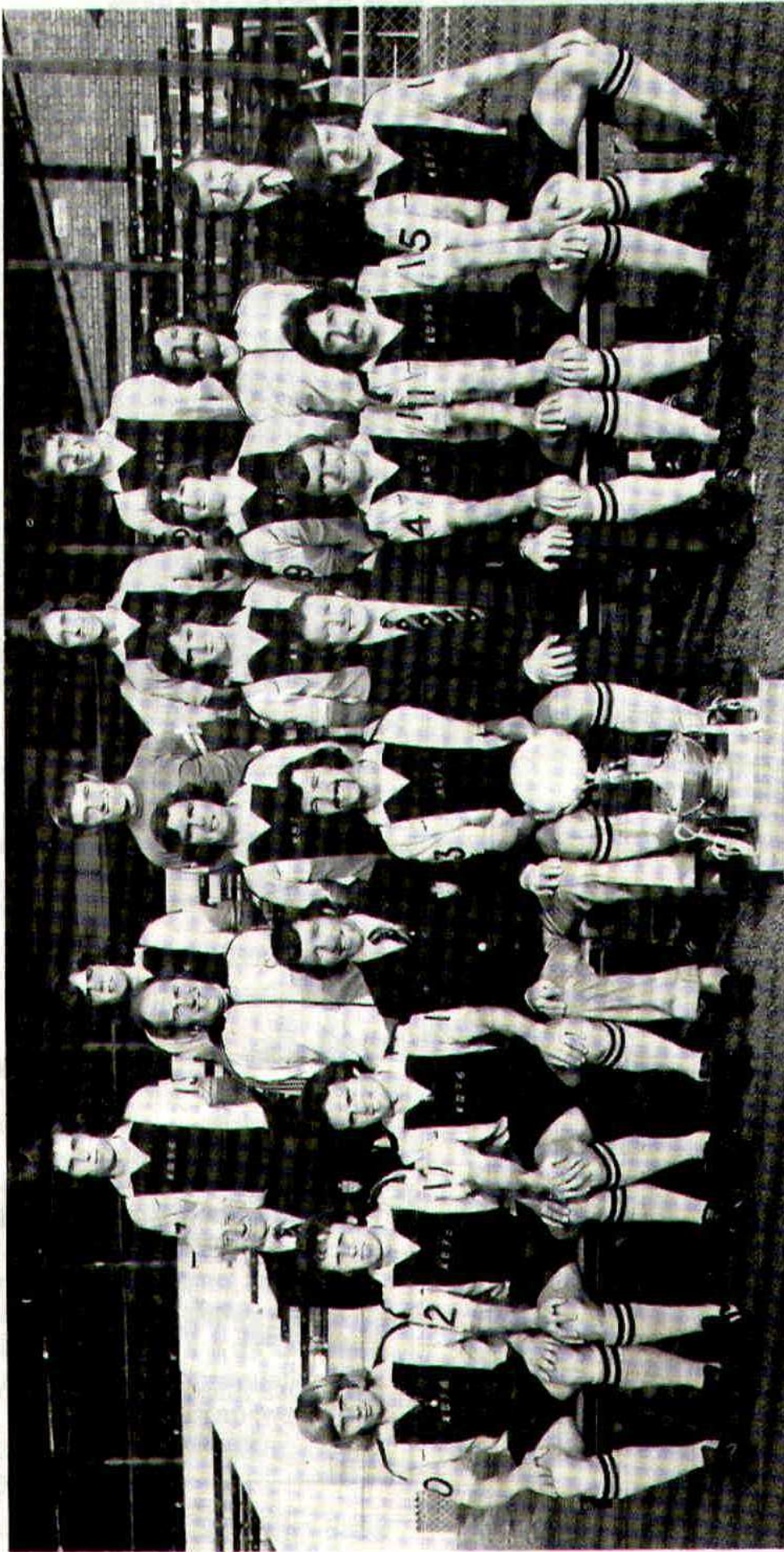
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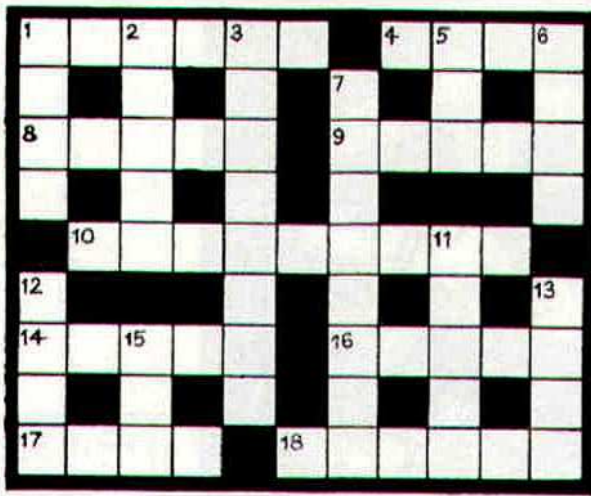


Back Row (left to right): Alan Morton, Harry Richardson, John Maggs, Alex Sheridan and Colin Priestley.

Middle Row: D. McLachlan, Coach, Dickie Plume, Alan Barker, Adian O'Sullivan, Jimmy McVeigh and Colin Flatt, Trainer.

Front Row: Peter Tough, Paul Everest, Robert Finch, Robbie Stepney, Team Manager, Jim Thompson, Chairman, Bill Wheeler, General Manager, Bobby Hunt, Phil Basey and Keith Down.





# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Compiled by Gordon Kaye.

The first four correct entries opened by The Secretary, The Swindon Town F.C. County Ground, Swindon will each receive two tickets to a home Football League match. Please mark your envelope "Ninety-Niner"

## CLUES - Across

1. World Cup side who conceded (and saved!) two penalties (6)
4. Layer or Loftus (4)
8. Powerful, long shot (5)
9. One of the bosses Brown (5)
10. Ipswich international (4,5)
14. ---- Friday (Reading) (5)
16. Ian Hutchinson is famous for his long one (5)
17. Q.P.R. close-season signing (4)
18. Barry of Blackburn (6)

## CLUES - Down

1. Bradford back (4)
2. First name of Italian who has scored most goals for his country (5)
3. With three out of three he was penalty-kicking of the World Cup (8)
5. Wednesday wise one (3)
6. The most-capped player from this Park is Alex 7 down (4)
7. Scholarly Scots side (8)
11. Much-travelled 200-goal man now with Kettering (5)
12. ----Jarvie (Aberdeen) (4)
13. Former 5 down now managing Matlock (4)
15. One of the Worthingtons (3)

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## Solutions to crossword in Colchester programme

### SOLUTIONS - Across

1. Smart 4. Dowd 7. Gray (Ron, Billy) 8. byline  
9. Goalkeepers 14. (Plymouth) Argyle 15. See 3 down 16. Hoby 17. Jones

### SOLUTIONS - Down

2. Mario 3 & 15 across. Royal blue (St.Johnstone)  
4. Doyle (Man.City) 5. White 6. Mels 9. Goal  
10. Anglo 11. Kelly(Arsenal) 12. Pablo 13. Rouse  
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David Moss scoring from the spot in the game against Colchester United.

## KEY OF THE BOARD

- A Altrincham v Gateshead Utd.
- B Blackburn v Darlington
- C Brighton v Brentford
- D Cambridge United v Hereford
- E Grimsby v Bury
- F Hartlepool v Lincoln
- G Peterborough v Charlton
- H Plymouth v Crystal Palace
- I Rochdale v Tranmere
- J Rotherham v Northampton
- K Wigan Athletic v Mansfield
  
- L Liverpool v Luton
- M West Ham Utd. v Manchester City
- N Wolverhampton W. v Burnley
  
- O Aston Villa v York City
- P Bristol City v Nottm. Forest
- Q Fulham v West Brom. Albion
- R Manchester United v Orient
- S Oxford United v Cardiff
- T Portsmouth v Bolton



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|----------------|-----------------|--------|------------|----------|--------|----------------------|-----|---------------|-----|
|                | Apps            | Gls    | Apps       | Apps     | Gls    | Apps                 | Gls | Apps          | Gls |
| J. Barron      | 20              |        | 1          | 1        |        |                      |     |               |     |
| J. McLaughlin  | 16 (2 sub)      | 1      | 1          | 1        |        |                      |     |               |     |
| N. Trollope    | 22              | 1      | 1          | 1        |        |                      |     |               |     |
| T. Hubbard     | 22              | 1      | 1          | 1        |        |                      |     |               |     |
| R. Potter      | 12 (1 sub)      |        | 1          |          |        |                      |     |               |     |
| D. Munks       | 3 (2 sub)       |        | 1          |          |        | 10                   |     |               |     |
| D. Moss        | 19 (2 sub)      | 6      | 1          | 1        | 1      |                      |     |               |     |
| D. Syrett      | 13 (5 sub)      | 3      |            |          |        | 1                    | 2   |               |     |
| P. Eastoe      | 22              | 15     | 1          | 1        | 1      |                      |     |               |     |
| H. Maclean     | 16 (2 sub)      | 1      | 1          |          |        | 2                    |     |               |     |
| T. Jenkins     | 11 (1 sub)      | 1      | 1          | (1 sub)  |        | 3                    |     |               |     |
| L. Dixon       | 17 (3 sub)      | 1      | 1          | 1        |        | 2                    |     |               |     |
| F. Burrows     | 11 (3 sub)      | 2      | (1 sub)    | 1        |        | 5                    |     |               |     |
| J. Butler      | 14 (1 sub)      | 1      |            | 1        |        | 1                    |     |               |     |
| C. Prohett     | 17 (1 sub)      |        |            | 1        |        |                      |     |               |     |
| J. Allan       | 2               |        |            |          |        |                      |     |               |     |
| T. Anderson    | 5               | 1      |            | 1        | 1      | 7                    |     |               |     |
|                |                 | 1 o.g. |            |          | 1 o.g. |                      |     |               |     |
| G. Chalklin    |                 |        |            |          |        | 12                   |     | 8             | 1   |
| K. Tanner      |                 |        |            |          |        | 16                   |     | 11            |     |
| G. Broom       |                 |        |            |          |        | 8                    |     |               |     |
| A. Young       |                 |        |            |          |        | 12                   |     |               |     |
| M. Thompson    |                 |        |            |          |        | 5(3 sub)             |     | 11            | 1   |
| K. Gill        |                 |        |            |          |        | 15                   | 1   |               |     |
| I. Farr        |                 |        |            |          |        | 15(1 sub)            | 2   | 11            | 4   |
| M. McGovern    |                 |        |            |          |        | 13                   | 2   |               |     |
| N. Algar       |                 |        |            |          |        | 4(2sub)              |     | 10(1 sub)     | 3   |
| T. Brinkworth  |                 |        |            |          |        | 1(3 sub)             |     | 8(1 sub)      |     |
| N. Berry       |                 |        |            |          |        | 5                    |     |               |     |
| M. Hooman      |                 |        |            |          |        | 1                    |     | 9             |     |
| J. Fisher      |                 |        |            |          |        | 1                    |     |               |     |
| J. Way         |                 |        |            |          |        | 1                    |     |               |     |
| N. Cowley      |                 |        |            |          |        | 1 sub                |     |               |     |
| K. Styles      |                 |        |            |          |        | 3                    |     |               |     |
| J. Gilligan    |                 |        |            |          |        | 10(2 sub)            |     | 11            | 2   |
| S. Slattery    |                 |        |            |          |        | 5(3 sub)             |     |               |     |
| B. Parry       |                 |        |            |          |        | 3                    |     |               |     |
| C. Gardner     |                 |        |            |          |        | 8(1 sub)             |     | 10            | 3   |
| M. Elias       |                 |        |            |          |        | 2                    |     |               |     |
| K. Stroud      |                 |        |            |          |        | 3                    |     |               |     |
| M. Lawrence    |                 |        |            |          |        | 1                    |     | 7             |     |
| A. Hayduck     |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 2             |     |
| G. Goodwin     |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             |     |
| N. Cowley      |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 7(1 sub)      |     |
| A. Sloman      |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             |     |
| J. Way         |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 2             |     |
| J. Fisher      |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 4(3 sub)      |     |
| J. Gough       |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             | 2   |
| R. White       |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             |     |
| T. Young       |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             |     |
| G. Harvey      |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             |     |
| K. Langley     |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             |     |
| R. Brinkworth  |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1(3 sub)      |     |
| A. Ashman      |                 |        |            |          |        |                      |     | 1             |     |
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# QUIZ ???

## CUP QUIZ.

1. In season 1960-61 Bath City drew 2-2 at the County Ground in the First Round of the F.A. Cup. In the replay Swindon won 6-4. Name the goalkeeper who played for Swindon in the repl
2. Canterbury City lost to a last minute penalty in the First Round of the F.A. Cup in season 1968-69. Name the scorer.
3. Name six former Swindon players now playing in the Southern League.
4. In season 1953-54 Swindon defeated Newport (I.O.W.) 2-1 at home in the First Round of the F.A. Cup. Name the scorer of the last minute goal.
5. In the Second Round of the F.A. Cup in season 1953-54, Swindon were well beaten to a Non-League Club. Name the Club and score.
6. Peterborough United (next week's visitors), then in the Midland League, drew 2-2 at Swindon in the Second Round of the F.A. Cup in season 1955-56. What was the score in the replay.

7. Two former Swindon players who earned F.A. Cup winners medal.
8. In season 1962-63 (Promotion Year), Swindon were soundly beaten at home in the Fourth Round. Name team and score.

## ANSWERS

1. Geoff ("The Cat") Crook.
2. Don Rogers.
3. Frank Large (Kettering Town), Ernie Hunt (Atherstone Rovers), Mike Blicck (Corby Town), David Dangerfield (Cheltenham Town), Roger Smart (Bath City), Trevor Tinson (Bath City).
4. Ted Batchelor.
5. Hastings United - 4-1, December 12th 1953. Just over 21 years ago, a black day for Swindon Town Football Club and it took a long time to recover from that experience.
6. 2-1 for Swindon, Jimmy Cross scored winner for Swindon in extra time.
7. Tommy Dawson (Charlton Athletic, 1946-47), Michael Summerbee (Manchester City, 1968-69).
8. Everton - 1-5.

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# SWINDON TOWN v MAIDSTONE UNITED

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SATURDAY 14th DECEMBER 1974

## SWINDON TOWN

1. Barron
2. Dixon
3. Trollope
4. Hubbard
5. Burrows
6. Prophett
7. Moss
8. McLaughlin
9. Eastoe
10. Butler
11. Anderson



## MAIDSTONE UNITED

1. Maggs
2. Sheriden
3. Barker
4. Richardson
5. Priestley
6. Plume
9. McVeigh
10. Tough
11. Basey
12. Everest
13. Morton
8. O'Sullivan

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Red Flag: Mr. B.R. Banwell (Bristol)  
Yellow Flag: Mr. D.R. Waterman (Weybridge)



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