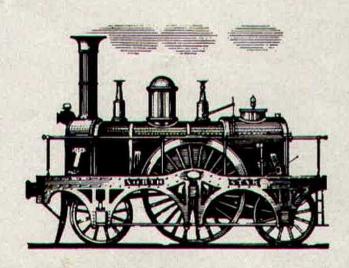


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NEWS&VIEWS

This afternoon, we begin a new season, full of hopes and aspirations, like all other clubs. We certainly look forward to a successful season; surely the prospects are much better than this time last year. Then like many of our supporters, some of us feared after relegation from Division 2 we may descend even further.

Fortunately our fears were groundless, and as we all know, after a bad start we came very near to gaining promotion. The first team squad is still intact so justly we have confidence in the results during the coming season. A word of caution, however, so often after a successful season and almost gaining honours, and with the same complement of players and the outlook most encouraging a club seems to strike a bad patch, almost a reaction from the efforts of the previous season.

We sincerely trust this will not be the case with Swindon, rather the reverse, we profit from a settled side, and go forward to greater success. The form of the team, and the results in our friendly games, provide us with great hopes.

This afternoon we entertain Chesterfield, never what one might term a fashionable club or a wealthy one. Nevertheless we who know the Officials and Board look upon Chesterfield, as one of the happiest, and most hospitable clubs in the country. The welcome is warm and homely, and the sportsmanship first class. Last year we visited them fairly early in the season, and won by two goals to nil. It was a bitter blow to the home team (it always is to lose at home), but no recriminations, just congratulations, "you were the better side".

Much to our amazement and pleasure, the following Saturday Chesterfield won 5-1 at Crystal Palace, who the week previously had defeated Swindon 6 goals to 2.

The Directors at Chesterfield is a body of very loyal and long serving men, who have given a life-time to football and are rich in experience, and have in General Manager and Secretary, a servant of long standing who has done much to guide the fortunes of the club over a long period.

Now to our own domestic matters. From time to time we bring news of former people connected with the club. We are sad indeed to record the death of two such persons. First Tom Moore. I wonder if that name means much to our supporters. It does to all the Officials and Players. When the County Ground once again became the home of football in 1946 Tom was appointed Groundsman. No club had a more loyal and hard working man. Tom had his funny ways and probably did not advance with the times, but he took great pride in his ground, and worked extremely long hours in all winds and weathers — a real character.

Supporters of the club pre-war will no doubt remember Jack Smith, left back, whom the club transferred to Chelsea, for a considerable sum. He was later Manager of Reading and West Bromwich Albion.

The club extends its deepest sympathy to the friends and relatives of both men.

Talk of the Town

By the Chairman

Today we start our new season with high hopes of success which can lead us back to the second Division, and ultimately a chance to obtain first Division football for Swindon, which we feel our Town deserves.

I know that at this time of the year every club has the same kind of hopes, but after missing promotion last season by two points, we at Swindon feel very optimistic about our chances this year.

One may ask why so optimistic, as we have not gone out to buy new faces in the close season. It is a proven fact, that the most successful sides in the country are the teams that play unchanged for long periods and one has only to look at sides like Leeds, Liverpool and the Arsenal of a few years ago to see this point.

Our pre-season games have proved very successful, for Danny has been able to experiment with his staff and put into operation in match practice what he plans in training stints. Having played Bath City, Yeovil and Merthyr Town, all Southern league sides away from home and winning all three games, we travelled to Portsmouth and produced some excellent football to win there.

As we all know last Saturday's game against 1st Division opponents, Burnley, with the added attraction of Mike Summerbee, transferred from Manchester City, and Peter Noble playing for them, produced an excellent game of football ability and I am sure that everyone present at this game must have come away impressed by the skill and fitness of our lads.

During the close season, our team have been showing their versatility by playing cricket against such teams as Wantage Town, Goatacre, Wanborough and also winning a six-a-side cricket competition held at Corsham.

We completed our cricket fixtures unbeaten, but the important part of these exercises were that we made many friends in the cricket world and this kind of activity leads to a happy atmosphere in the club.

The work carried out during the close season, when we removed the turfs and soil from the centre of the pitch from end to end and then carried out sand slitting through the complete area has been a real headache for everyone concerned because of the lack of rain water when the surface was seeded.

I would like to make a special mention of Mr. Hibberd and his staff who have been so helpful and of course to our Groundsmen, Mr. Jim Wheeler and Mr. Fred Park.

We are all hoping that their hard endeavours during these summer months will prove successful during the winter months ahead.

We are hoping that our supporters will rally round us this coming season to enable us to provide the kind of entertainment we all enjoy and hope that this season you will be able to watch without the disturbances which give football such a bad name. We are doing everything in our power to keep out the very small minority at the County Ground.

On Tuesday night we have our first taste of cup football against Millwall and hope that you can be with us again.

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Children:

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Childrens' Names:

Tracey and Lee.

Previous Clubs: Wolves, Chelsea, Oxford,

Nottingham Forest.

Favourite Players: Banks, Best, Greaves &

Jackie Milburn.

Favourite Team:

Newcastle United.

Most difficult opponent: All difficult.

Most memorable match: v Newcastle in cup.

Biggest disappointment:

Losing to Newcastle in

in quarter finals of

cup after riot.

Biggest football thrill: Get a thrill from play-

ing in all matches.

Favourite Food:

Steak, Prawns, and curry

(home made)

Favourite T.V. Shows: Match of the day.

Favourite Singer:

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Martin.

Favourite Actress: Barbra Striesand.

Pet Likes:

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PHILLIP TINGAY (Goalkeeper). Phillip took over in goal when Jim Brown was transferred to Sheffield United two seasons ago. A Chesterfield discovery, Phillip made the senior eleven four seasons ago and, in the intervening period, also played for Barnsley on loan. He missed only five games last season.

League record: Barnsley (loan) 8 aps.; Chesterfield 83 aps.

ALBERT HOLMES (Defender). Albert has been a regular since his debut in 1962 and has on three occasions maintained an ever-present record. Last season he completed 450 League appearances and he is one of the survivors of the club's Fourth Division championship campaign of 1969/70. League record: Chesterfield 457 (2) aps. 9 gls.

KEN BURTON (Defender). Ken began his career with Sheffield Wednesday when they were in the First Division and he held a regular place for almost two seasons. He later went to Peterborough on loan before transferring to Chesterfield in 1973. He is a former England youth international. League record: Sheff. Wed. 54 (2) aps. 2 gls.; Peterborough (loan) 3 (1) aps.; Chesterfield 80 aps. 1 gl.

ARTHUR BELLAMY (Midfield).
Arthur spent ten years in the First
Division with Burnley and it was in
1972 that he decided to step down the
scale to Join Chesterfield.
League record: Burnley 205(12) aps.
30 gls.; Chesterfield 126 aps. 12 gls.

MALCOLM DARLING (Striker). Malcolm joined Chesterfield from Bolton last season when he scored 9 goals. He rose to early prominence with Blackburn in the mid-sixties when they were in the First Div. Norwich signed him in 1970 but, after 17 months with the Canaries, he moved to Rochdale where he remained until 1974 when Bolton signed him, League record: Blackburn 114 (13) aps. 31 gls.; Norwich 16 aps. 5 gls.; Rochdale 82(4) aps. 16 gls.; Bolton 6(2) aps.; Chesterfield 44 aps. 8 gls.

ERIC WINSTANLEY (Defender). Eric made his name with Barnsley where he starred in defence for well over a decade in breaking the club appearances record with 409 League games. Chesterfield signed him in 1973 and he was everpresent last season.

League record: Barnsley 409 aps. 36 gls.; Chesterfield 85 (1) aps. 5 gls.

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Middle Row: T. Shanahan, W. McEwan, A. Holmes, R. Welch, A. Bella

Back Row: R. Fern, F. Barlow, E. Winstanley, S. Hardwick, P. Tinga

ANDY KOWALSKI (Striker). Andy scored 10 goals last season — his first as a regular first-teamer. He developed in the club's juniors and made his League debut in 1972/73.

League record: Chesterfield 72(4) aps. 11 gls.

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aps. s. 5 gls. FRANK BARLOW (Defender). Frank played for England schoolboys and joined Sheffield United from school. He made his First Division debut in 1965/66 and became a fairly regular member of the team. After losing his place, he joined Chesterfield in 1972.
League record: Sheff. Un. 116 (5) aps. 2 gls.; Chesterfield 118 (1) aps. 3 gls.

SIAN O'NEILL (Defender). Sian learned his game with Leeds United though he didn't get a chance in their first-team. Chesterfield signed him in 1974 and, after initially playing on the left wing for them last season, he settled down at left-back. League record: Leeds nil aps.; Chesterfield 36(2) aps. 1 gl.

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ERNIE MOSS (Striker). Ernie has been Chesterfield's top scorer for the past two seasons, netting 23 goals last term. A year earlier he set himself a target of 20, and missed by one. Ernie, who once hit four goals in a match, came through the club's nursery to get his senior chance in 1968/69. A serious ankle injury threatened his career three years ago but he recovered to resume his scoring activities. League record: Chesterfield 250 aps. 89 gls.

WILLIE McEWAN (Midfield). Chester-field smashed all club records when they paid Brighton £25,000 for Willie last season. He has had itchy feet since coming into English football, from Hibernian, in 1973. After only weeks with Blackpool, he moved to Brighton in 1973 and little more than 12 months later he was on the move again. He began with the East Lothian junior club Pumpherston. League record: Hibernian 59(2) aps.2gls. Blackpool 4 aps.; Brighton 27 aps.3gls. Chesterfield 22 aps. 1 gl.

DAVID BENTLEY (Midfield). David's luck was out last season when he made only two League appearances but he hopes to regain his place in League soccer this term. Once a Rotherham regular, he spent part of 1972/73 on loan to Mansfield and linked with Chesterfield in 1974.
League record: Rotherham 243(7) aps. 13 gls.; Mansfield (loan) 1(3) aps. 1 gl.; Chesterfield 1(1) aps.

ROD FERN (Midfield). Rod hopes to make his Chesterfield debut today, following his summer transfer from Luton. His first club was Leicester, where he made his League bow in 1967/68. Two seasons later he was top scorer with 17 goals. He moved to Luton in 1972. League record: Leicester 132(17) aps. 27 gls.; Luton 34(5) aps. 5 gls.; Chesterfield nil aps.

TERRY SHANAHAN (Striker). Terry was one of the Third Division's most successful penalty takers last season when he converted 9 spot kicks — one of them for his former club Halifax. He finished second-highest Chesterfield scorer with 14 goals. Terry started as a Spurs hopeful but didn't make his League debut until transferring to Ipswich in 1970. A short loan spell with Blackburn was followed by his transfer to Halifax in 1971. He was their top scorer in 1973/74. League record: Tottenham nil aps.; Ipswich 3(1) aps.; Blackburn (loan) 6 aps.; Halifax 88(8) aps. 23 gls.; Chesterfield 27 (2) aps. 13 gls.

Third Division Scene by Tony Pullein

Who will be the Third Division's star team this season? That's the big question as the kick-off proper approaches. More important, so far as Swindon fans are concerned, will we win the promotion race this season?

The early games will give us some indication of our own chances. But, for the rest, which are the clubs most likely to be destined for success?

Now that the experiments are over, and he has pared his squad down to workable proportions, Malcolm Allison's managerial graph should take its first major upwards lurch this season. Perfectionist Allison believes in doing things his way and, though it could be argued that his policies were to some degree responsible for relegating Crystal Palace from the First to the Third Division in successive seasons, his methods will be vindicated if they prove successful in the end.

The quality of players at Selhurst Park is a cut above Third Division standards. Derek Jeffries, if he settles his differences, Stewart Jump, Alan Whittle and Mick Hill all have considerable First Division experience behind them.

Peter Taylor, who last season provided a rare case of a Third Division player winning an England under-23 cap, the two Hinshelwoods — Martin and Paul — and David Swindlehurst are players who could well become big stars in the future.

Peterborough were not far off target last season. Managed by Malcolm Allison's former West Ham playing colleague Noel Cantwell, the Posh lost ground in the closing weeks but had previously made a big impression.

Mansfield were such outstanding Fourth Division champions that I feel the Stags must certainly make a big impact on the higher division. With Ray Clarke (30 goals last season) and Terry Eccles (20) likely again to be among the goals, we can expect the Stags to be close to the top most of the way.

Everyone will hope to see Sheffield Wednesday make a quick return to Division Two. Yet there are no grounds for expecting that they will participate in the promotion race this season. Wednesday were so far behind their rivals in Division Two, they were particularly

impotent in attack — they scored only three goals in their last 19 games! — and, with little activity in the transfer market, it is difficult to envisage happy days returning to Hillsborough this season.

The same must be said of Cardiff City, another once-famous club finding itself in Division Three this term.

Millwall, fast re-organising under manager Gordon Jago, could make a serious bid for a quick return though it seemed likely that they would be fighting this battle without their fine goalkeeper Bryan King who was poised to join several big clubs as the kick-off approached.

Bobby Charlton's managerial future could hinge upon whether or not Preston North End gain promotion. Preston have the ability to figure prominently in the race yet could possibly find themselves edged out by teams with a greater will to win.

Hereford United, Port Vale, Wrexham and Chester are other clubs who look good enough to launch a challenge.

SUPPORTERS LETTERS

Dear Mr. Jefferies,

May I on behalf of Mrs. Barrett and myself and possibly all the others of our party, thank you most sincerely for arranging our bookings for the holiday in Tunisia with Swindon Town F.C. and Camkin Sports.

I'm sure it was the best holiday anyone could have, yet I am still wondering why people did not take advantage of this offer when it was published in your programme.

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Yours faithfully,

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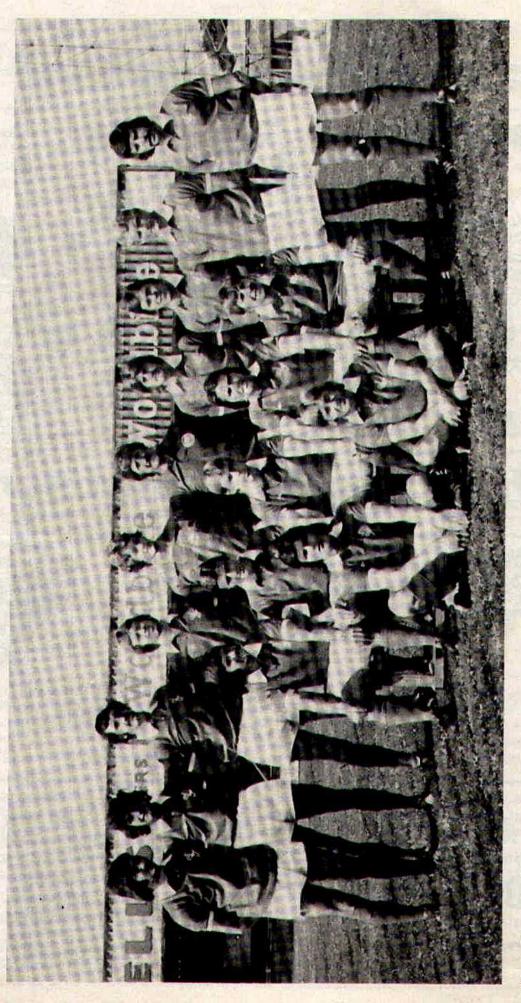


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W. Dixon, D. Moss, T. Hubbard, J. McLaughlin, J. Butler. K. Stroud, N. Trollope, C. Prophett. Middle Row:

C. Gardner, G. Chalklin.

Front Row:

CHESTERFIELD

Last season was a disappointment for Chesterfield's manager Joe Shaw. His side was fighting against relegation for much of the time and, though they eventually finished well clear in 15th place, it was very much an anticlimax after their close promotion challenge a year earlier.

Then he very nearly celebrated his first season at Chesterfield by winning promotion. Three defeats in their last four games killed their hopes and they eventually finished fifth.

Mr. Shaw's experience in the game spans the entire post-war period. Originally he was an inside-forward when he made his League debut for Sheffield United in 1948/49. He later switched to left-half — using the old-style parlance — where he gave several seasons of outstanding service.

Then, in 1954, when the Blades' centre-half was injured, Joe Shaw stepped in "temporarily",

But he played so well that he spent the remainder of his career there. Many people felt he was unlucky — as a contemporary of Billy Wright — not to get into the England team.

He did, however, play twice for the Football League and went on an F.A. trip to Australia. When his playing days ended in 1966 he looked back on 690 first-team games for the Blades — easily a club record.

His first managerial appointment took him to York City where he remained for a couple of years before accepting a scouting appointment with Fulham.

When Chesterfield were searching for a manager in 1973, Joe Shaw got their vote and made a big early impression with that great promotion challenge which fell down only over the closing games.

CHESTERFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB

Chesterfield is one of the oldest Clubs in history having been founded in 1866. They were elected to membership of the Football League in 1899 and retained their membership until 1909 when they reverted back to membership of the Midland League. In 1921 they were one of the prime movers in the formation of the Division 3 North and have been members of the Football League since that date.

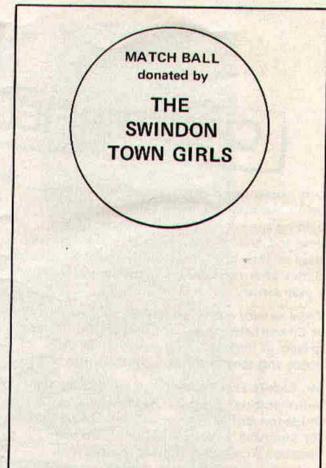
On two occasions they have been promoted to the 2nd Division in 1931 and 1936 and from the later date retained there membership until relegated in 1951.

Chesterfield have always had a high reputation in the game for the number of goalkeepers who have started their League career with the club. The first being the famous Sam Hardy who was an international keeper in the early part of the century and his record was only passed a few seasons ago by Gordon Banks another player

who started with Chesterfield before moving to Leicester and Stoke. In addition there is Ray Middleton (B. International & Derby County) John Osborne (West Bromwich Albion) Alan Stevenson (Under 23 International & Burnley) and Jim Brown (Scottish International & Sheffield United). Steven Hardwick, one of the present youngsters on the staff is a Youth International playing against Wales & Scotland and towards the end of last season made his debut in League football.

Chesterfield moved to their present ground at Saltergate in 1882 which the Club bought from the Corporation in 1921. The Club have also the distinction of being the first to function under the municipal after the first war but this agreement ended when they gained membership of the Football League in 1921.





Danny's Desk

Hello again. Once more a new season has arrived, a season of great hope and, I am certain, first class entertainment. We came so near to success last season, a little more dedication away from home and promotion would have been assured. The players are anxious to continue where they left off and it is a significant fact that many of them have been training throughout the summer months and I am sure that the results of this dedication has been evident in the pre-season practise matches.

Our congratulations to Peter Eastoe for being joint top goal scorer in the Football League last season and today the Board of Directors are presenting a trophy to Peter to commemorate his achievement.

What of the summer months? We, the Club, together with a gathering of loyal supporters travelled to Tunisia for the John Camkin Trophy and, although we did not win, a great time was had by all at the Sahara Beach. For those of you who were there a greeting — 'minty tea' — for those of you who were not,

sufficient to say that everyone I have spoken to in the party, and I am sure that includes everyone who travelled, can't wait until the next occasion. This kind of social meeting of players and supporters, at a time when everyone is knocking the game indicates to me that things have not changed since I was a player, that the true supporter has a real love for the game.

On Tuesday night we meet Millwall in the League Cup Competition and, as you have probably read in the press, the First Round is to be played on a home and away basis. If the aggregate scores are level at the end of the second game the match will be replayed here at Swindon. A successful result of this match is very important to us so I hope you will all be here, together with your friends and anyone else you can persuade to come, to cheer the lads on to the second leg with a good lead.

A happy season to you all.



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Referee:

Mr. K.G. Salmon (Barnet)

Linesmen: Red Flag:

Mr. V.G. Callow (Solihull)

Yellow Flag: Mr. M.S. Greenhaulgh (Torquay)

KEN SALMON (Barnet). Went on the full list last season after serving on the Supplementary list and League line. Started refereeing in Hertfordshire and progressed through the Herts County and Isthmian League. Linesman for a League Cup semi-final in 1974, the England v Wales amateur international in 1970 and was reserve official for the England v Wales World Cup qualifying match at Wembley in 1973. Married with three children he is a road safety officer in Local Government and interested in junior football and philately.

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