NEWS

Sat., Nov. 15, 1975

K.O. 3 p.m.

PEOGRAMM OFFICIAL

DIVISION FOOTBALL LEAGUE

PETERBOROUGH UNITED v SWINDON



WALL OF DEFIANCE . . . Tommy Robson (right) puzzles out how to break down the Middlesbrough defence in Tuesday's 3-0 League Cup defeat.

POSH

(blue)

- 1 Eric STEELE
- 2 Bert MURRAY
- 3 Keith BRADLEY
- 4 Peter EUSTACE
- 5 Mick JONES
- 6 Jack CARMICHAEL
- 7 Jon NIXON
- 8 David GREGORY
- 9 Chris TURNER
- 10 Lyndon HUGHES
- 11 Tommy ROBSON Sub: John COZENS

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee:

C. G. LAWTHOM (Ruislip)

Linesmen:

- J. T. Kensett (red flag)
- J. E. Martin (orange flag)

SWINDON

(red)

- 1 Jim BARRON
- 2 Wilf DIXON
- 3 John TROLLOPE
- 4 Ken STROUD
- 5 Frank BURROWS 6 Gerry TAYLOR
- 7 John GILLIGAN
- 8 John McLAUGHLIN
- 9 Peter EASTOE
- 10 John EMANUEL
- 11 Trevor ANDERSON Sub: lan FARR



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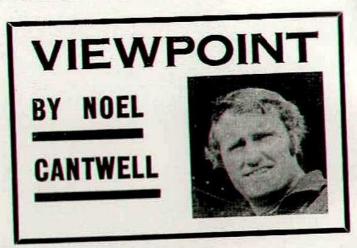
Players show their spirit

I have been delighted with our form during the last nine matches in which we have climbed from 16th to sixth in the Third Division and now I am looking forward to remaining among the promotion candidates for the rest of the season.

These next two home league matches against Swindon (today) and Southend (Nov. 29) are vitally important because if we can secure maximum points then we could be even nearer to the top of the table.

Things have run kindly for us during the last couple of months in which we have lost only one of nine matches. Our best win was the one at Fulham when we ousted the Second Division side from the League Cup.

In last Saturday's 1-1 draw with leaders Crystal Palace the character of the players was reflected in the manner of their performance. Palace pounded us early on, but we came back into the match and in my opinion deserved the point.



The experiment of playing Chris Turner in the attack was a highly successful one, but now that John Cozens is on the way back, Chris has reverted to his centre-half role.

I'm convinced that Chris would make a good job of a permanent striking role, but as proved in the second half at Crystal Palace, he is our best defender and his rightful position is centre-half.

The players deserve credit for the way they have battled to overcome the serious injuries at the club which at times made a big hole in our small squad.

The spirit within the club has been illustrated by players operating in different roles and carrying nagging injuries. For instance, regular right back Bert Murray played on the left hand side at Middlesbrough.

It will be interesting during the next few weeks to see whether unlucky striker John Cozens can recover his goalscoring touch after two major setbacks.

We must be patient with John, but knowing his character, I don't think it will take him long to get among the goals again.

NOEL CANTWELL

Unknown Winsford are building a reputation

The pairing of Posh with little-known non-league outfit Winsford United in next week's FA Cup first round had supporters and officials alike scurrying for their road maps.

Not that Posh have to travel next Saturday afternoon, but London Road followers were simply curious as to the whereabouts of the place.

It was soon discovered that Winsford is a growing town in Cheshire situated between Chester Crewe.

As for the football team, it's the first time since 1928 that they have appeared in first round proper which probably explains their anonymity.

Everybody with an interest in football has heard of the Ketterings, Wigans Chelmsfords and Staffords of this world, but who are Winsford United?

Winsford may be an unknown quantity in this part of the country, but in the North West they are building a reputation.

Last season, for instance, they finished runners-up in County the Cheshire at the and League. moment they are top of the

IN the words of unlucky Posh striker John Cozens his injury saga has been running longer than Coro-nation Street.

Being able to joke about his chapter of misfortunes illustrates the character of the man.

It's his strength of character and determination which has carried him through 14 months of tor-

Now John is down to the business serious again of another comeback and it's possible that he may return to league action today after a ten-week lay-

John, who has managed

Cozens back again

only two senior appearances in 14 months, was substitute at Middlesbrough this week after only 125 minutes of reserve football so his call-up is only just around the corner.

The two reserve matches were against Luton, Posh winning 1-0 at Kenilworta Road on Monday in the Midweek League Cup after being held to a 2-2 draw in a league encounter last week.

Graham Smith, one of their strikers, collected a remarkable tally of 66 league goals last season and he has 21 already to his credit this term, including two in a thrilling 5-4 extra time win over Southern League Telford in the fourth qualifying round.

They are managed by a Scot called Jimmy Bryce who played most of his football with East Fife and

one of their most experienced players is former Stoke winger Keith Bebbington.

Ironically, the player who was responsible for their extra time penalty winner against Telford actually lives in Peterborough.

Tim Clements has lived in Bretton for 21 years and travels to his parents' home at Crewe every weekend to play for the semiprofessional club.

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Youngsters shoot for places on the road to Wembley

THREE local schoolboys will be providing the pre-match entertainment at London Road today (weather permitting), and at the same time staking a claim for a possible place at Wembley later in the season.

This winter the English Schools Football Association are organising a national competition to provide the lads an opportunity to compete in the now traditional boys' penalty kicking competition at the League Cup final.

The event is sponsored by Independent Television and every district within the Schools' body is now staging a competition to find a representative. They will go through local, county and regional finals with the last four qualifiers battling it out before a 100,000 Wembley crowd and millions of television viewers.

The contest is for boys under 14 on September 1st and all this week lads from

nine schools in the Peterborough area have been taking part in competitions to decide who appears today.

Arthur Mellows College, Glinton; Walton; Eastholm; St. John Fisher; Jack Hunt; Stanground, Orton; Lincoln Road and Sir Harry Smith College, Whittlesey have all found a school champion.

Then came three separate three player shoot-outs to decide today's contestants. The winner will go forward to the Cambridgeshire County final to be held at Cambridge City's Abbey Stadium before a Fourth Division game against Tranmere on December 6.

As Posh News went to press the local finals were still being settled but today's three representatives will be announced over the public address system.

Youth team win again

OUR Youth XI gave another capable display to defeat Orient Youth 4-0 in a South Eastern Counties League Cup fixture on Saturday.

Tony Senior, Barry Gaunt, Nigel Barnes and Pino Nardino were the Posh marksmen.

BALL DONOR

Today's match ball has been given to the club by Mr. Ray Jackson of 12 Barham Close, Stanground, who as well as being a keen Posh supporter is also one of the club's hard working agents.

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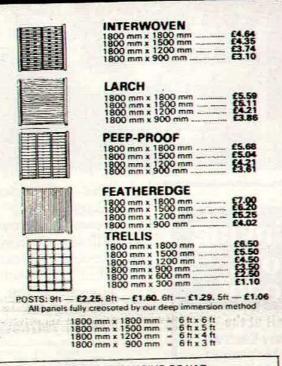
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Junior Club winners

There was a good response to the Super Posh Junior Club competition for world cup international shirts. The first six correct entries to be opened were sent in by the following members:-

Paul Ravenhill of 21 Pembroke Avenue, Orton Longueville.

Timothy Stephen Parsons of 109 Ledbury Road, Peterborough.

John Kennedy of 16 Rayner Avenue, Stanground, Peterborough.

Kevin Dennis of 409 Fulbridge Road, Werrington.

Dennis Adams of 187 Coneygree Road, Peterborough.

Kerry Lee Moore of 185a London Road, Peterborough.

These six members are invited to call at the Posh Promotions office to select one of the six shirts as a prize.

We are also giving a consolation prize of a Tottenham Hotspur Wembley shirt to David Barker of 12 Wilton Drive, Peterborough, who also got the answers correct.

Junior Club members should now be on the look out for some more colour pictures of Posh players to put in their albums. We hope to have another one on sale at next week's game.

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Today's mascot

TODAY Posh will have two mascots leading them out in the shape of brothers Graham and Martin Reed, of 23 Aster Drive, Werrington, Peterborough.

Both attend the new Norwood Junior School and represented the Gunthorpe School in the inter-city school sports earlier this year.

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TODAY'S VISITOR

SWINDON have a good record as far as visits to London Road are concerned. On the six occasions they have been here they have won two, drawn two and lost two.

In fact their last defeat here was way back in the 1962-63

season when Posh won 3-1.

Last season's meeting ended in a 0-0 scoreline, although Posh won the away match 1-0.

The two teams have met in 12 previous league matches with Pcsh winning 4, drawing 3 and losing 5.

Members of the Swindon senior squad are:

MANNY WILLIAMS (Manarer): He played for Rotherham for 191 years during which time he appeared 621 times. The first ten years of this period he played as a part-timer, putting in a full shift in the mines each day in addition to training and playing. He e entually became manarer of Rotherham and stayed there for three years before resioning and moving his home to Bournemouth. It was from Bournemouth that he joined Swindon as manager in 1966 and he stayed with them for four years during which time the Town rained promotion to the Second Division and won the League Cup Final in 1969. Following these achier ments Danny moved to Sheffield Wednesday in 1969. Following these achie ements Danny moved to Sheffield Wednesday rs manarer, but only remained with them for sixteen months. His next club was Mansfie'd where he worked most successfully for 2½ years before being asked to rejoin Swindon in March 1974.

JAMES ALLAN (Gnalkeeper): Signed as an apprentice professional from Prora Ranners in October 1970 and sinned professional in July 1971. He made

s debut in the First Team in September 1971. .IM BARFON (Goalkeeper): Signed in 1974 from Nottingham Forest. Former'y

with Wolf erhamoton. Che'sea and Oxford United.

FRANK BURROWS (Centre-half): Joined the club from Scunthorpe United for whom he played three seasons. Formerly with Raith Rovers. A strong defender who has made his mark in the First Team. Penular member of promotion winning side of Season 1968/69. Played in Frotball League Cup Final winning team of season 1968/69. Played in League Cup Winners Cup winning team of 1969 and in Anglo-Italian Inter Club Competition winning team season 1969/70.

WILFRED DIXON (Full-tack or Midfield): Signed September 1973 from

PETER EASTOE (Forward): Signed from Wolverhampton Wanderers in March 1974 having Joined Wolkes as a boy. Last sesson he became the club's top

TOM JENKINS (Wincer): Signed from Southampton after Swindon had sold Don Roce's to Crystal Palace, Formerly with Orient and Reading he also had a scall with Southern League club Margate.

JOHN McLAUGHLIN (Richt-back): A former England Youth International,

John joined the club from Colchester.

DAVID MOSS (Inside-right): Was spotted playing in junior soccer and signed professional 1059.

TPEVOR ANDERSON (Forward): Signed in November 1974 from Manchester Uni'ed. Northern Ire'and International. COLIN PROPHETT (Forward): Signed from Manchester United. Northern

Ire'and International. KEN STPOUD (Midfie'd): Signed as an apprentice in 1967 and signed pro-

fessional forms in 1970.

DAVID SYPETT (Forward): Product of youth policy. Also a member of the

JOHN TPOLLOPE (Full-back): Joined the club from school and has become i's innest service professional, signing in August 1960. Since his League debut at the age of 16 he has made over 600 appearances.

MAN IN THE MIDDLE

CLIFF LAWTHOM (Ruislip)

REFEREED in the Athenian and Isthmian Leagues before moving to South Wales where he served in the Welsh League.

He returned to Middlesex and went on the Football Combination List and League line before joining the Supplementary List last season.

He is interested in cricket, boxing, badminton and swimming. He is a department head and married with a son.

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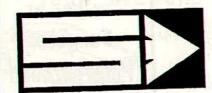
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Action during Saturday's 1-1 draw at Crystal Palace; pictures edited by Jack Brindley (Evening Telegraph).

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ck Brindley (Evening Telegraph).

Posh go up, but the gates go down

BIGGEST question to be asked after the 4-2 home win over Grimsby was "Where did all the fans go?"

Only 7,646 turned out on a fine, dry Tuesday night for that game ... while on the previous Saturday, when a downpour struck during late lunchtime, Posh pulled in almost a thousand more.

That loss of support over four days was hardly the right tonic for the directors as they pondered Posh's loss on last year of £25,468, announced hours before Grimsby came to London Road.

After the 1-0 Saturday win over Brighton and the subsequent rise back into the promotion race Posh had every reason to hope for another 8,000 crowd against the Mariners.

But it didn't materialise, and if the weather wasn't responsible

then what was? It may well be that fans, hit all round by inflation, cannot find their entrance money twice within four days . . . or it may be that crowds are still drawn to London Road more by the quality

of the opposition than by Posh themselves. I can understand the economic argument, I cannot understand a lack of faith in the players. And truth is that while Posh were never thoroughly convincing in either the win over Brighton or over Grimsby, they did provide good entertainment.

The Brighton game in particular was a nail-biter . . . and David Gregory's first League hat-trick provided thrills enough as Posh went through ninety minutes on the helter skelter against more modest Grimsby.

That 4-2 win brought the "goals for" total in five games to

fifteen ... not a bad average by any standard.

In the past stay-away fans have grumbled about a lack of goals ... grumbled about a lack of success and grumbled about a lack of personality in the team.

There has been no lack of goals this last few months . . . there has been no lack of league and cup success for the last three years ... and with David Gregory still attracting the eyes of the big clubs there is no lack of an exciting personality, capable in the twinkling of a left foot of transforming a grey game into a great game.

It may come back to finance in the end. And that is why Posh's booming commercial set-up is of paramount importance.

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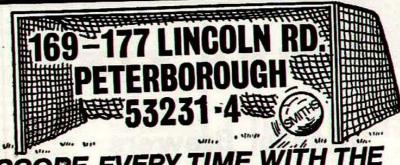
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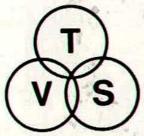
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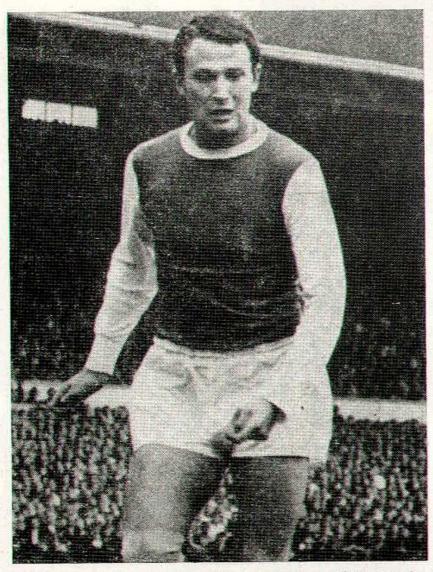
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PETER Eustace seems to be adding to his gallery of admirers on the London Road terraces with every home appearance in Peterborough United colours.

That in itself is an achievement for a man brought in by manager Noel Cantwell as successor to widely respected midfield general Freddie Hill.

Raised on a diet of some of the highest class soccer seen in the lower leagues, acclaim is something not given lightly by Posh regulars.

Almost from the outset Eustace hinted that he was a player of far above run-of-themill standards.

His penetrating use of through balls from the middle of the park have figured in a number of games and regudrawn appreciative applause from the terraces.

HANDICAP

In recent matches Eustace has been at his best despite playing with the added handicap of a niggling groin strain.

Obviously at his best when pushing forward and using great creative ability and natural vision, Eustace has also shown dour defensive qualities when the occasion has arisen.

Only last week in the determined team display that earned a draw facing leaders Crystal Palace at Selhurst Park, Eustace was frequently in the thick of the action.

It is also open to some speculation that he is the hardest striker of the ball seen in Posh colours.

the match Remember against previously unbeaten Bury when Posh's four goal total was nearly five thanks to a tremendous right foot Eustace volley.

This was the effort that according to one local sports writer "left the crossber twanging like a guitar string."



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20—Chester	A
24—Wrexham	Н
27—Rotherham	
OCTOBER	
4.—Sheffield	Wednesday A
8-Fulham (I	LC-3) A
11—Mansfield	A
18— Bury .	н
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25—Hereford	***************************************
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1—Brighton 4—Grimsby	Н
9 Crystal P	alace A
11 Middleshr	ough (LC-4) A
15—Swindon	н
22—Winsford	(FA-1) H
29—Southend	Н
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6—Halifax	A
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20-Gillinghan	n _o A
26—Millwall	Н А
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2-0	Gregory, Robson	6,987	
1.1	Telford	6,201	18
1-1	Pobson	4,063	17
2-0	Robson, Gregory	5,888	12
1-3	Telford	6,541	18
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1-1	Turner	6,983	14
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SAT., Nov. 29 - SOUTHEND, Division 3, 3 p.m.

WED., Dec. 3 - NORTHAMPTON, Midweek League, 7.30.

SAT., Dec. 20 - WATFORD, S.E. Counties, 11 a.m.

THIS SEASON

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DIVISION THREE

APPEARANCES 16 — Steele, Lee, Gregory, Hughes, 15 — Murray, Nixon, Robson, Car-michael, 13 — Eustace, 10 — Jones, 8 — Turner. 6 — Oakes. 5 Merrick. 4 — Bradley. 3 — Telford. 1 Mc-Cormick, Cozens, Hodson.

GOALS (incl. Cup)
9 — Gregory, Robson. 5 — Turner.
4 — Nixon. 2 — Telford. 1 —
Jones, Cozens.

MIDWEEK LEAGUE

APPEARANCES (incl. Cup) 11 — Rogers. 9 — Hodson, Llewelyn. 8 — Barnwell, Musgrove. 7 — Bradley, Ward, Oakes. 6 —
Hird, K. Johnson, Walker. 5 — Telford. 4 — Burgess, Jones, Mc- Cormick. 3 — Pike, Drewery. 2 — Turner, S. Johnson, Draper,
Cozens, 1 — Carmichael, Roberts, Webb. Eustace, Broadhurst, Mc-Nichol.

GOALS 4 — Walker, McNichol, 3 — Pike. Telford, Rocers, 2 — Llewelyn, ogs. 1 — McCormick, Bradley, Hodson.

S.E. Counties League

AUGUST 1975		
23-Watford (Cup)	H	6-2
30-Tottenham (Cup)		
SEPTEMBER	120	2000
6-West Ham (Cup)	H	2-2
OCTOBER		
4—Cheisea (Cup)	H	3-3
11-Totlenham (Cup)	H	2-2
25-West Ham (Cup)	A	1-2
NOVEMBER		
1-Watford (Cup)	A	3-2
8-Orient (Cup)	H	4-1
22-Chelsea (Cup)		. A
DECEMBER		
6-Orient (Cup)		A
20—Watford		. H

APPEARANCES

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8 — Michael Shortland, Ladd, Keal,
Senior, 7 — French, Nardino, Heeley, 6 — Beeby, Gaunt, 5 — Martyn Shortland, 4 — Rayson, 3 —
Lindhofer, Bond, Fincham, 2 —
Cliss, Hopkins, 1 — Barnes,
GOALS

5 — Nardino, Heeley. 3 — Keal, Senior. 2 — Cliss. 1 — French, Lindhofer, Gaunt, Barnes, og.

JANUARY 1976		ľ
3—Tottenham	***************************************	A
10-Chelsea	*********	A
17—Watford		A
24—Tollenham		Н
FEBRUARY		
7—Chelsea		H
MARCH		
6-West Ham		H
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27-West Ham		A
APRIL		
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FEBRUARY 4—Southend 9—Cambridge 18—Brighton 25—Walford	***					A
MARCH 3—Charlton 9—Millwall 17—Millwall 24—Orient 29—Luton						H
APRIL 28—Southend						. A
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Two pence — "To strengthen the first team squad" Gary Childres of 15 Rege Terrace, Leeds wrote what on the Commercial staff co

One of the pleasing things about working on the staff of Peterborough United is being able to read the many and varied letters which are written to the club by supporters and well-wishers.

The majority of the letters received at London Road go to Noel Cantwell, others go to the secretary's office, and many come into the Commercial Department. All the incoming letters are dealt with promptly and with the exception of the one or two offensive ones all get replies.

Surprisingly the majority of the letters received in the Commercial Department come from Posh fans from other towns, and occasionally from other countries. Here is a cross section of this week's mail bag.

Geoff Cook of 854 London Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey, writes . . . "please would it be possible to advertise for a Peterborough United fan who is willing to swop programmes of Posh with the programmes of my team Crystal Palace."

Michael Scarratt of 5 Kentmere Place, Clayton, Newcastle, Staffs, writes . . "for some years I have collected Peterborough United programmes both home and away but due to shortage of space I am having to get rid of them. Are there any Posh supporters who would like to increase their collection. Please ask them to contact me."

Gordon McLaughlin, 9 Mess H.M.S. Norfolk BFPO Ships, London, writes on behalf of four of his messmates on the Norfolk . . . "We are out in the far end of the Med. at Port Said and would like to have a picture of the Posh team. Hope to be home to see you play at Gillingham in December."

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Gary Chilvers of 15 Regent Terrace, Leeds wrote what we on the Commercial staff consider to be the letter of the week . . . "Would you please send a copy of the programme for the match against Grimsby. I am sending 20p to cover costs, post, packing, labour, spares, wear and tear on office staff etc. If there is any over keep it and strengthen the first team squad."

Gary got his programme alright. We did a few sums . . . 10p for the programme, 6½p for postage, let's say 1½p for wear and tear on office staff. So we did a small account for Noel Cantwell and enclosed 2p with it to "strengthen the first team squad." he

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