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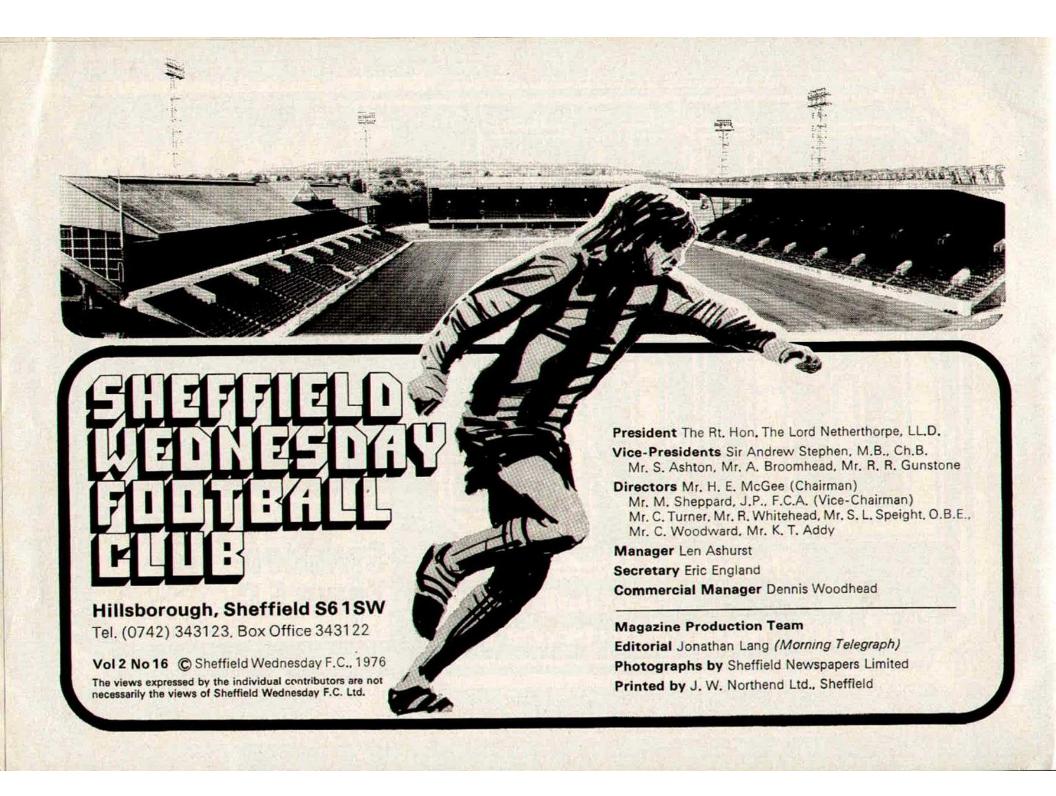


LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

Swindon Town F.C.



Saturday, 24th January, 1976, at 3 p.m.



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Manager Len Ashurst makes no bones about the situation Sheffield Wednesday face—particularly in matches like the one about to take place. "We have got to win matches to close the gap between us and the mid-table clubs. And if we cannot beat the teams around us in the table we are in for a tough time." Wednesday have only Swindon and Mansfield below them in the table, so the message is clear. Last week's visit to Grimsby Town saw Wednesday earn a draw—yet this could be regarded as something of a victory following another week of behind-thescenes activity. Wednesday went at their hosts—regardless of the fact that they possessed the sort of unbeaten home record all clubs would like. And it was pleasing and encouraging.

"We must produce this sort of form at Hillsborough," said Ashurst. "We must show our supporters here that we can do it. We have not always attempted to come forward at home, but it is more a psychological thing."

In Lincolnshire—as in London during the F.A. Cup clash at Charlton—Wednesday have proved they can stretch opponents. And clearly attack will be the best form of defence of Third Division status.

The difference between the performance against Hereford here a week earlier and that at Grimsby underlined the point, and its significance has not been lost on the players. "They know what is wanted—now is the time to produce it," added Ashurst.

Next week Wednesday are at home again—to Chester. And four points could provide a real lift-off.

The match at Grimsby came in the wake of further staff cutting measures—with Jim McAnearney and Ron Staniforth, both former players, being relieved of their reserve and youth duties, respectively. These are not measures that Wednesday wanted to make willingly. They were forced upon the club by the sheer economics of football today. It is obvious that wonderful though our fans are for turning up in such good numbers, not enough come through the turnstiles. Success brings back spectators—decline such as Wednesday has suffered in this unhappy decade drives them away and revenue is lost.

"We have got to cut our coat according to the cloth we have got," said chairman Bert McGee. "But when we begin to climb again, as we shall, our financial problems will ease. Seven days ago the team showed that time need not be far off.

### Swindon Town

Wednesday, today's visitors and Mansfield Town fill the bottom three spots in the Third Division. Apart from their obvious affinity as clubs in search of a lifeline from relegation, they share another common bond.

Danny Williams has had charge of them all. Now he is back with Swindon Town, returning there from Mansfield following his stint here at Hillsborough. Williams is one of the figures forever assured of a place in South Yorkshire's soccer history—and Wednesday fans will do well to heed what happened on his return to familiar pastures earlier this troubled season. On 4th October, Williams took his team to Rotherham (where he was part of the scene for over two decades), provided the match ball and took both points with a 2-0 victory.

That win at Millmoor is the only success away from home for the club that would have been chasing F.A. Cup glory this afternoon but for a glory-grabbing bunch of men playing for Tooting and Mitcham.

Three weeks ago Swindon were hit by a dramatic come-back that saw their two goal advantage wiped out in the last four minutes. And 2-1 defeat on the trip to Surrey for the replay was the price Swindon paid for losing their grip on a tie that appeared won.

For Williams the defeat had an ironic touch, for it was the way he and Swindon produced giant-killing feats a few years ago that really out the Wiltshire club on the map.

The League Cup victory over Arsenal at Wembley seven years ago is but a statistic in the record book. Swindon currently live with the same spectre as Wednesday—the prospect of Fourth Division football for the first time.

Things have not worked out as expected this campaign for Swindon, who finished fourth last season—two points adrift of promoted Charlton Athletic (from whom they took three points). Swindon have taken only four points on their travels this term (only Grimsby have a worse record)—with draws at Walsall (1-1)



and Millwall (0-0) their only other successes in 13 trips.

They have lost at Bury (5-0), Chester (2-1), Gillingham (3-2), Hereford (1-0), Mansfield (3-1), Peterborough (3-1), Port Vale (3-0), Shrewsbury (3-0), Southend (3-0) and Wrexham (2-0), but come to Yorkshire in search of the double over Wednesday.

On 13th September Wednesday went to Wiltshire where David Herbert's 31st minute goal looked as if it might earn the club's first

away win of the season-still yet to be won.

equaliser and an 81st minute Eastoe winner-

efforts overshadowed by what went on at the

But Swindon came back with an Anderson

opposite end of the field. For goalkeeper

Barron was injured, and the whole of the second half saw one-time Wednesday defender Colin Prophett a more than capable deputy as Swindon came out on top on a far from happy hunting ground for Wednesday. A clergyman founded Swindon Town in 1881, and they ruled the roost in the county, changing from amateur to professional and entering the Southern League 13 years later. It was not until the formation of the Third Division (South) that Swindon got into the Football League, although they had twice lost F.A. Cup semi-finals to Newcastle United and Barnsley.

The club had to apply for re-election three times, but improved enough to ensure they remained in the Third Division when the sections were scrapped and the Fourth Division came into existence. Twice the club geined promotion—twice it has fallen. In 1962-63 Swindon made it into the Second Division, four points behind Northampton, with then bess Bert Head having the likes of Ernie Hurit, Mike Summerbee and Don Rogers among his ranks.

That team did not taste defeat until the clubs 10th Second Division match—draws having been forced during that spell at Elland Road and Maine Road. Northempton put an end to the run, and Swindon eventually finished 14th. Twelve months later, only Swansea were below them in the table, and



Back row, left to right: Anderson, Syrett, Burrows, Eastoe, Allan, Barron, Jenkins, Stroud, Trollope, Prophett. Centre: Dixon, Moss, Hubbard, McLaughlin, Butler. Front: Gardner, Chalklin.

Third Division football returned to the County Ground—Swindon's home now for 80 years.

The rebuilding began again, and with Williams at the helm the club had three seasons of preparation before the League Cup and promotion-winning double of 1968-69.

Watford beat Swindon to the No. 1 spot on goal average, but there was nothing to stop them landing the League Cup on 15th March, 1969, with their 3-1 against-the-odds win over Arsenal. Three of that successful eleven are likely to be on show at Hillsborough, Joe Butler, John Trollope and Frank Burrows. That success restored Swindon to the limelight and wins in the League Cup, Cup Winners Cup and Anglo-Italian League Competition kept them there . . . even if Williams moved on.

Wednesday's drop from the top flight coincided with the finest season in Swindon's history—fifth in the Second Division in 1969-70. But the effort was not sustained, and the club was relegated again in 1973-74—six points behind the rest of the pack in 22nd place—after kicking off the season with a 3-1 first day win over Wednesday.

Williams, after 16 months at Hillsborough, and nearly twice as long at Mansfield, had returned to Swindon on 6th March, 1974, too late to pull off the miracle escape, but with time and resources enough to mount last season's bid for a prompt return.

Jim Barron—born in County Durham—was acquired from Nottingham Forest in July, 1974, having played for Wolves, Chelsea and Oxford United, and Scot Jim Allan, with the club over six years, has been the man to keep him on his toes.

Wilf Dixon is a Londoner who was bought in September, 1973, from Reading, while John Trollope is the club's longest serving professional. He was signed in August, 1960, made his League début at 16 and is very much a local product with approaching 700 matches to his credit for the club.

Accrington-born Colin Prophett had over 100 outings for Wednesday before his 1973 move to Norwich City, and he joined Swindon after a spell on loan.

Frank Burrows, a Scot, had three seasons with Scunthorpe United before becoming a key figure in the promotion-winning team that then did so well. Had a spell on loan with Mansfield, but his six-match sojourn at Field Mill ended with a return to familiar Wiltshire pastures.

Joe Butler came from Newcastle in 1965, and shared in Swindon's glory days . . . ones that were enjoyed when the likes of Londoner Ken Stroud were still apprentices.

Trevor Anderson is the club's only international—the one-time Manchester United player—14 months with Swindon—having played for Northern Ireland.

David Moss signed professional in 1969 after being spotted playing local soccer, while David Syrett graduated from the junior ranks and is a former England Youth player . . . as is John McLoughlin, bought from Colchester on 3rd December, 1973.

Newport-born Terry Hubbard is a former apprentice, who signed professional forms in 1969 and has played for Wales Under-23's.

The club's biggest money buy and leading scorer last season is Peter Eastoe, who was signed in March, 1974, after a spell on loan from Wolves, from whom defender Gerry Taylor came on loan.

Our last meeting . . . on this ground came on 19th January, 1974, when Wednesday picked up their first victory for three months as David Sunley and Eric Potts, coming on as substitute with 15 minutes remaining, bagged the goals in a 2-1 win. It was the last match in Gerry Young's reign as caretaker manager—and the first win after four draws—with Steve Burtenshaw having taken over as boss by the time Wednesday next played a fortnight later.

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### **National Scene**

Hull City ensure the survival of their club with a cheque for £141,600 from Sunderland for winger Roy Greenwood; Coventry of the First Division were forced into a similar step when they took £175,000 from Aston Villa for Denis Mortimer, but these sort of figures look like bus ticket money compared to the amounts being bandied about at Preston.

Briefly, Preston are investigating the possibilities of a £1 million scheme for a leisure centre at their famous Deepdale Ground and this is obviously a venture which will be watched by many clubs who have fallen on hard times but having that priceless commodity, land, at their disposal. Things have reached a delicate stage at Preston with discussion on the granting of a 99 year lease on the ground by the local authority. Controversy is alive in the local Press at Preston and Harry Catterick, the manager at North End, has come down heavily in favour of the scheme. He admits that North End can't get sufficient people in through the turnstiles to make things hum, but a sports complex, with family involvement, is another matter.

There are all sorts of obstacles. Planning permission, for instance, is a problem as Sheffield has seen at Bramall Lane, but in the long run football HAS to do something about its situation where grounds in the middle of cities are used profitably for only a couple of hours a fortnight

Not many clubs discover good players in non-League football. There are few transfers at this level and it is interesting that Chris Kelly, who made such a name for himself in Leatherhead's Cup run last season, is now back with his team after being bought by Millwall.

Nevertheless, Millwall are again looking outside the Football League and they have agreed on a fee of £8,000 for goalkeeper Nicky Johns who plays for Minehead in the Southern League. It is believed that the transfer involves an immediate payment of £3,000 and the balance if and when he makes 20 first team appearances for Millwall.

We wish Millwall, and young Jones, well, but the step up from non-League to Football League is a big one and it is to the credit of young Eric Potts that he made the transition successfully with Wednesday, Ian Hutchinson of Chelsea is another.

Former Wednesday star David Clements has been telling his fans at Everton that his future is in the balance following the offer from New York Cosmos.

There is a suspicion that Clements, a player who has looked after himself financially as well as physically over the years, is more interested in playing out his career in England. He is one of the few top class players who has the stamp of managerial material about him and he may well try his luck in this line.

The full story of Saturday soccer on Saturday night.

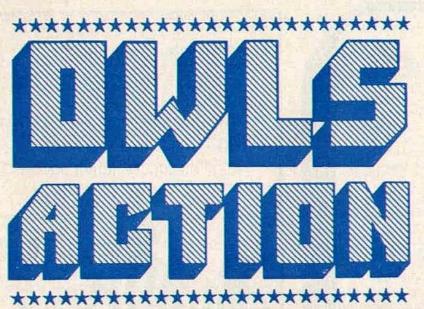
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### The Battle f

We are now at the stage in the season when the picture could look completely different. Grimsby last week there's confidence flowing so let's hear it for **them** this afternoon.

After a flying start in our last home game against Hereford United Wednesday début by providing a fine through ball which beat the it was Brian Joicey who broke through and although his shot beat cover picture this week shows Eric Potts being double marked in contract the start of the start

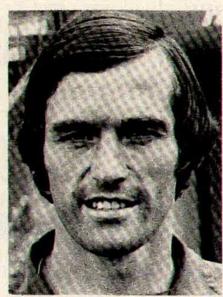


### or points is on

every game really matters...with a couple of wins ever we needed your support it's now. After our draw at through the team. The lads want to do well for you,

re ended up on the wrong end of a 2-1 scoreline. Richard Walden celebrated his side trap and was coolly finished off by Bernard Shaw (pictured left). Soon afterwards defender (pictured centre), goalkeeper Hughes was out quickly to smother it. Our match against Hereford.





We wish a speedy recovery to goalkeeper Neil Ramsbottom, who has just come out of hospital.

# FOLLOW THE SOCCER ACTION WITH MORNING TELEGRAPH



### A laugh from the past!

We have "dug up", from a few years ago, a newspaper cutting from that wonderful evening paper "The Star".

The letter was sent in to "The Star" by none other than Ken Cawton, who is involved in the printing of your match day magazine.

We are repeating this little story in the hope that if you have any "Laughs from the past" you will send them in to Hillsborough and we'll do our best to find room to print 'em.

Here's Ken's letter . . .

While I was serving with the RAF in Iraq just after the end of the war I was involved in a very amusing and rather embarrassing incident.

I was playing for Iraq Command. We had a very successful team, with players from various League clubs, myself being on Wednesday's books prior to call-up.

We had won most of our matches and it was a very confident and slightly cocky team that boarded the plane to fly to Baghdad to play the Iraqi Army—a game we all thought would be a piece of cake!

Our first shock came when we saw the pitch. It was grassless and it had a concrete-like surface covered with fine sand.

After playing for ten minutes in our conventional boots the studs were killing us. But the biggest shock was still to come—for when I saw the winger I was to mark, he was playing in bare feet!

I chuckled to myself and thought, "Right, a hard tackle at the start and that will see him off!" I was never so wrong in my life. All I saw was a pair of big, black feet streaking away from me.

I tried every tackle I knew, even to a spot of their own shirt-pulling, but it was hopeless. They thrashed us 5-1 and to top it all the barefoot winger got a hat-trick!

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Peterborough	25	10	10	5	43	33	30
Walsall	27	11	8	8	38	34	30
Hereford Utd.	22	12	5	5	38	29	29
Bury	24	8	10	6	28	22	26
Cardiff City	24	10	6	8	38	29	26
Millwall	25	8	10	7	29	32	26
Preston N.E.	24	10	6	8	30	29	26
Wrexham	25	10	6	9	31	29	26
Port Vale	25	9	7	9	32	27	25
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Chester	24	8	8	8	25	33	24
Gillingham	24	7	10	7	31	32	24
Grimsby Town	25	10	4	11	38	45	24
Rotherham Utd.	25	9	6	10	29	34	24
Aldershot	24	7	8	9	32	39	22
Halifax Town	24	7	8	9	27	34	22
Colchester Utd.	26	7	7	12	20	39	21
Chesterfield	25	7	6	12	38	42	20
Southend Utd.	22	7	5	10	35	36	19
Sheffield Wed.	24	4	11	9	28	32	19
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SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: Fox, Walden, Quinn, Thompson, Cusack, O'Donnell, Mullen, Shaw, Joicey, Wylde, Potts. Sub: Prendergast. Scorer: Shaw.

HEREFORD UNITED: Hughes, Emery, Ritchie, Layton, Rylands, Lindsay, Paine, Tyler, Davey, McNeil, Carter. Sub: Byrne. Scorers: Davey, McNeil.

NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 1 BARNSLEY 2

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: Turner, Grant, Mowbray, Steventon, Millington, Fisher, Smith (F.), Orritt, Nimmo, Hilton, Knight. Sub: Strutt. Scorer: Nimmo.

Friday, 16th January, 1976 CENTRAL LEAGUE

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 2 PRESTON 0

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: Pearson, Cameron, Mowbray, Hull, Simmonite, Knight, Fisher, McIver, Brown, Hilton, Herbert. Sub: Proudlove. Scorers: Fisher, Hilton.

Saturday, 17th January, 1976

LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

GRIMSBY TOWN 1

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 1

GRIMSBY TOWN: Wainman, Marley, Booth, Barton, Czuczman, Gray, Lewis, Partridge, Wigg, Boylan, Oldridge. Sub: Cumming.

Scorer: Wigg.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: Fox, Walden, Mullen, Thompson, Cusack, O'Donnell, Shaw, Wylde, Joicey, Sunley, Potts. Sub: Nimmo.

Scorer: Wylde.

NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE ROTHERHAM UNITED 2 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 0

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: O'Neill, Simmonite, Mowbray, Grant, Millington, Orritt, Fisher, Knight, Smith (F.), Ferguson, Hilton. Sub: Strutt.

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Name in bold is goalscorer



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### CENTRAL LEAGUE

February: 10th, Blackburn Rovers (7 p.m.);
13th, West Bromwich Albion (7 p.m.).
March: 1st Bolton Wanderers (2 p.m.);
13th, Newcastle United (3 p.m.);
19th, Liverpool (7 p.m.). April: 10th, Sheffield United (3 p.m.); 19th, Wolverhampton Wanderers (3 p.m.); 24th, Aston Villa (3 p.m.).

### NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

(matches to be played at Thorncliffe)
February, 21st, Huddersfield Town (11 a.m.);
March: 6th, Scunthorpe United (12 noon);
13th, Newcastle United (2 p.m.);
27th, Sheffield United (11 a.m.).

### INTRODUCING BARRY WATLING

Our latest signing, Barry Watling, is a goalkeeper with over 200 Football League appearances to his credit. Barry, who comes to us from Hartlepool, has also been with Notts. County and Bristol City, and on loan with Chester, Crewe and Rotherham. We hope he enjoys his days at Hillsborough.

### T-BONUS

Hull City had a lot at steak(!) in the F.A. Cup today. A local butcher had promised the players six T-bone steaks per man if they beat Sunderland in this afternoon's F.A. Cup tie. That's the sort of "sponsorship" the players can get their teeth into!

### BIRTHDAY PRESENT

Congratulations to lan Nimmo who signed professional for the Owls yesterday on his 18th birthday.

### **Jack Archer**

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Referee: C. L. NEWSOME (Broseley, Salop.)

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TODAY'S MASCOT: John Cupitt, 158 Mansfield Road, Sheffield 12.