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1936-37, 1969-70

SCENE & HEARD

TRANSFER GLUT

Northern Ireland international Trevor Anderson has been put on the transfer list by Peterborough, who are facing Division Four soccer next season. Their Manager Peter Morris has put eight players on the list — three on free transfers, including skipper Ian Ross, the former Liverpool and Aston Villa defender.

Bill Green, who cost Peterborough a record £60,000 from West Ham 10 months ago, is listed, along with ex-Luton striker Barry Butlin, Harry Holman and Archie Styles. The other free transfers are Peter Hindley and teenager Rodney Leadbeater.

Newcastle have caused a stir by giving a free transfer to their 30 year old scottish international sweeper John Blackley. This shock news came a year after Blackley was voted Newcastle's player of the year and named in

Scotland's original 40 for the World Cup finals.

Blackley joined from Hibernian for £100,000 and has been with Newcastle for two years.

Four other players have been released South Africans striker Andy Parkinson, who has played in the first team, and youngsters Stephen Burn, Colin Mullen, and Kevin Patterson.

NEW BOSS FOR COBBLERS

Northampton have appointed Clive Walker team manager. He has been acting-boss since Mike Keen was

sacked in March, has been Northampton's trainer for two years, and was a defender with Leicester, Mansfield and Northampton.

The club also have a new chairman — Neville Ronson, who returns in place of Bob Brett. Ronson rejoined the Board only recently after a two-year break, but was chairman for three years when Bill Dodgin was manager.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Goalkeeper TREVOR SWINBURNE was voted Carlisle's player of the year by Borders Pressmen.

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THE SEASIDE SCENE

By KOPPITE

As tonight is our last home game of the season and the next to last fixture, it is appropriate to reflect on a disappointing year.

Those who felt the side could bounce straight back to Division II at the first attempt have been proved wildly optimistic as the team has struggled to maintain a point a game. There have been moments of rich pleasure, like the away romps at Bury and Chesterfield, the glory of beating Ipswich in the league cup and so nearly repeating it against Manchester City, and the 5-0 drubbing of championship chasing Shrewsbury at Bloomfield Road.

As the season has ground through a miserable winter we have seen what a tough division the Third is and that above all else skill is not such an important factor in getting out of it as aggression and discipline.

Within passing weeks, attendances have fallen off and interest sagged to an all-time low. But there IS interest if it can be tapped by successful team strengthening this summer.

Quality players like Bob Hatton, Paul Hart and Mickey Walsh cannot be replaced over-night, certainly from the standpoint of a Third Division club on 3,500 gates.

Time and patience are the qualities which bigger clubs than Blackpool have had to summon in reserve. Bolton, Aston Villa and other have encountered the difficulties Blackpool face now.

Sheffield United spent nearly £1 million on an impressive array of talent and will be joining us in Division III next season: Blackburn's late surge has been too dilatory to stave off Third Division football next August.

Blackpool's first task is to win the rat race of signing players this summer when freedom of contract inevitably throws up a glut of disgruntled professionals looking for big wage packets. More than ever the club now needs a plan and a pattern, fitting stronger players into the jigsaw piece by piece.

The side cannot make as bad a start with injuries and contract disputes as they did this term. Surely the injuries to Tynan, Davidson, Gardner, Kerr, Pashley, that have occurred this season can be put down as a rare blow by the footballing fates.

The fans are hungry for success. Manager Bob Stokoe is just as hungry. Optimism is always high between seasons at any club. Blackpool have to back it up with action and determined

moves will be made to ensure that the team building is undertaken with wisdom and foresight. To all those faithfuls who have stood by the club in this turbulent phase in the club's history, thanks, and surely better times await us all around the corner.

Letters to the Club

6 West Hill,
Uttoxeter,
Staffs. ST14 8BN.

Dear Blackpool F.C.,

I am writing not for myself but for a friend of mine who has supported Blackpool on every home & away match this season! His name is PAUL APPLEBY and he comes from Uttoxeter like myself, which is in Staffordshire, so as you can appreciate the "Home" games include a trip of more than 200 miles there and back, as well as trips to Southend and Exeter, to which he didn't get back home until 4.00 a.m. the next morning, as his transport is rail unless his dad or myself come to watch Blackpool play. I therefore wondered if you could find a small space in your match programme to thank him for his support. I know you probably do thank him but to have a thank you in your programme would mean so much to him. Paul, by the way, is a season ticket holder and stands in the "scratching sheds".

Your sincerely,
R. Melzner.

Editors Note

Thankyou Paul we appreciate your support and to you also Mr. Melzner for writing to us.

Today's visitors — SWINDON TOWN

JIMMY ALLAN. (Goalkeeper). Born in Inverness he was signed from Brora Rangers in October, 1970 as an apprentice and on full forms nine months later. Although he made his debut in September 1971, it was not until 1976/1977 that he became established in the side. Had made 158 League appearances at the end of last season.

PHIL BATES (Forward). Known as Chic he comes from West Bromwich but spent seven years as a part-time Southern League player before signing for Shrewsbury in 1974. Made 160 League appearances for Shrewsbury being top scorer for two seasons before signing for Swindon in January, 1978. Made a further eleven appearances for Swindon last season.

ROY CARTER (Midfield). Roy who comes from Torpoint, Cornwall played part-time Western League Football with Falmouth before joining Hereford in the summer of 1975. He quickly established himself in the side there and played in the team that won promotion to the second division in 1975/1976. Signed for Swindon in December 1977 having made 64 League appearances for Hereford and had made 18 more for Swindon by the seasons end.

DAVID CUNNINGHAM (Forward). Dave, from Kircaldy, played 44 games for Brechin City in the Scottish League and

moved to Southend in 1973. After 56 League appearances and a period on loan to Hartlepool he moved to Swindon in the 1977 close season and made 16 League appearances last season. Although short in stature he does not lack determination and can play in midfield or on the wing.

ANDY FORD (Defender). Andy comes from Minehead and started his career with Bournemouth although he did not reach their League team. A move to Southend in 1972 led to a place in that clubs league side and he made 135 such appearances before moving to Swindon at the start of last season. He made 33 appearances last season mostly at left back.

RAY McHALE (Midfield). Ray comes from Sheffield and made his League debut for Chesterfield in Season 1971/1972. After 123 League games he signed for Halifax Town where he was top scorer in one season although a midfield player. He did not miss a single match before signing for Swindon in September 1976 after 86 games. Ray made 81 League appearances for Swindon to the end of last season and usually plays as the link man in midfield.

KENNY STROUD (Midfield). Ken is a Londoner but has been with the Club since he was an apprentice and is now one of the longest serving players at the Club. Although signed as a professional in 1970

and made his League debut in 1971/1972 it was not until 1974/1975 that he gained a regular place in the team. Ken had made 154 League appearances to the end of last season, mostly in midfield but he enjoys playing as a central defender.

JOHN TROLLOPE (Defender). John Trollope is locally born and has been with the Club since he was an apprentice making 737 League appearances to the end of last season nearly all at left back.

Last season he passed the old record for one club domestic appearances in this Country, retired from the first team to take up the job of Youth Manager, was voted player of the year by the readers of the local newspaper and was awarded the M.B.E.! He remains in training as cover and could still beat Jimmy Dickenson's League appearance record for a single club player.

IAN MILLER (Forward). Ian comes from Perth but he first played League football for Bury making 9 full appearances and a number as substitute. He moved to Nottingham Forest but did not make the first team until a further move to Doncaster Rovers in August 1975. He became a regular first team player there before his transfer to Swindon who had been interested in signing him for a number of months in the 1978 close season.



Back row. Left to right, John McLaughlin, Chris Kamara, Steve Aizlewood, Colin Prophett, Jimmy Allan, Roy Carter, Kevin Roberts, Russell Lewis, Andy Ford, Chic Bates and Chris Guthrie. Front row. Left to right, David Cunningham, Kenny Stroud, Brian Williams, Bobby Smith (Manager), Ian Miller, Ray McHale (Captain), Gus Gilligan.

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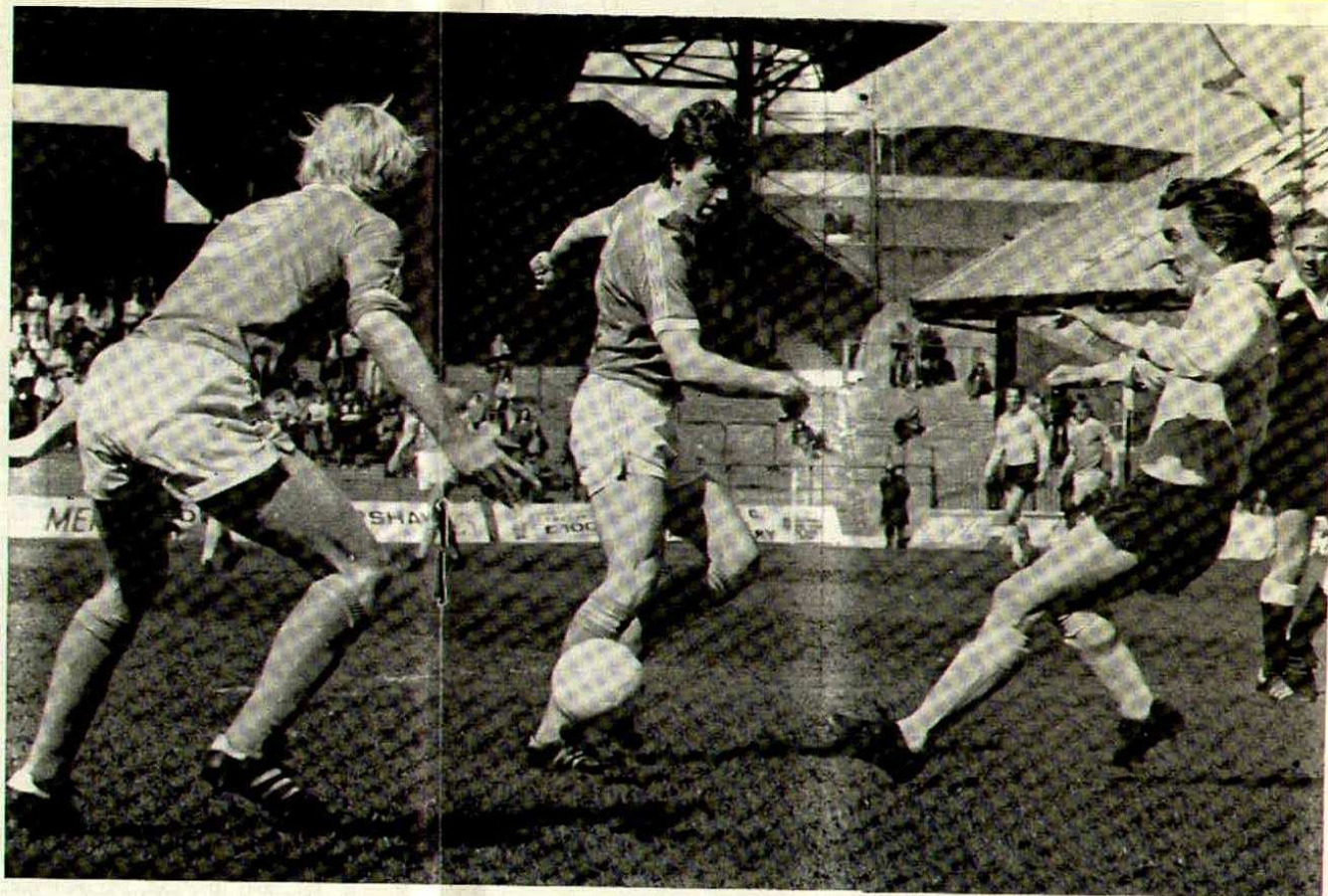
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*Derek Spence in action against Hull City
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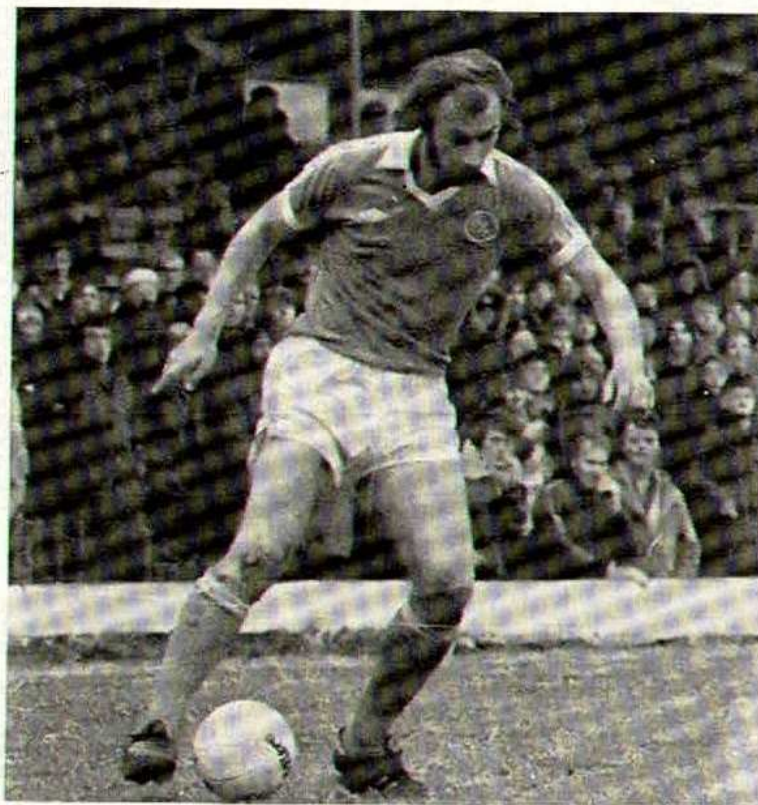
PLAYERS OF THE YEAR



Blackpool and Northern Ireland Striker DEREK SPENCE is the Blackpool Football Supporters Club player of the year.

He became the first Irishman to win the coveted WILF WELLS MEMORIAL TROPHY, voted the tops by Blackpool Supporters Club members.

Derek whose 17 goals has been a handsome return since he re-signed from Greek club Olympiakos, received the trophy from ex-Blackpool and Scotland star TONY GREEN on Thursday night.



Dick Malone — Blackpool's free transfer signing from Hartlepool — has been voted player of the year by the Lancaster and Carnforth branch of Blackpool Football Supporters' Club.

Dick has been splendidly consistent and completed his 350th appearance in the English Football League at Lincoln when Blackpool celebrated with a 2-1 victory.

Dick receives his award on Friday at the Vale of Lune Rugby Club when the branch will also present a cheque to directors of Blackpool Football Club.

FACTS, FIGURES AND STATISTICS 1978-79

date	fixture	att.	res.	pts.	pos.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1978															
Aug.	19 OXFORD UNITED	6,215	1-0	2		WARD	GARDNER	THOMPSON	WILSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	SPENCE	TONG	HOLDEN	DAVIDSON
	22 Watford	11,812	1-5	2		WARD	GARDNER	WILSON	SUDDABY	THOMPSON	McEWAN	WALDRON	TONG	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	26 Rotherham United	4,572	1-2	2	18	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	WILSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	30 League Cup 2 IPSWICH	10,029	2-0	—	—	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON 2
Sept.	2 CARLISLE UNITED	7,789	3-1	4	13	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	RONSON	SPENCE 3	DAVIDSON
	9 Shrewsbury Town	4,179	0-2	4	14	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOLDEN	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	12 CHESTERFIELD	6,244	0-0	5	14	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	16 WALSALL	8,153	2-1	7	8	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	23 Swindon Town	6,607	1-0	9	12	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	SERMANNI	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	26 GILLINGHAM	5,772	2-0	11	7	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	30 Colchester United	3,007	1-3	11	10	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
Oct.	4 League Cup 3 Man. C.	18,868	1-1	—	—	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	7 LINCOLN CITY	7,080	2-0	13	5	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	14 Southend United	6,374	0-4	13	10	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	18 Exeter City	3,993	0-3	13	12	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	21 MANSFIELD TOWN	6,633	2-0	14	8	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	WESTON	RONSON	SPENCE	WILSON
	28 Plymouth Argyle	8,886	0-0	16	11	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	WESTON
Nov.	4 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	9,403	0-1	16	15	WARD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	WESTON
	11 Carlisle United	6,505	1-1	17	15	WARD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	RONSON	SPENCE	WESTON
	18 ROTHERHAM UNITED	6,086	1-2	17	16	WARD	MALONE	PASHLEY	MAY	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	KELLOW	SPENCE	WALDRON
	25 F. A. Cup 1 Lincoln	4,375	2-1	—	—	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	MALONE	SUDDABY	McEWAN	CHANDLER	SERMANNI	SPENCE	WESTON
Dec.	9 PETERBOROUGH UTD	4,283	0-0	18	16	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	MALONE	McEWAN	CHANDLER	SERMANNI	KELLOW	WESTON
	16 F. A. Cup 2 Bury	6,519	1-3	—	—	HESFORD	GARDNER	PASHLEY	MALONE	SUDDABY	McEWAN	JONES	THOMPSON	SPENCE	KELLOW
	23 CHESTER	4,106	3-0	20	15	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	RONSON	SPENCE 2	DAVIDSON
	26 Tranmere Rovers	3,491	2-0	22	15	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	30 Swansea City	12,549	0-1	22	15	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	RONSON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
1979															
Feb.	3 Gillingham	6,461	0-2	22	16	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	JONES	RONSON	WILSON	DAVIDSON
	6 Walsall	3,461	1-2	22	16	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	RONSON	JONES	DAVIDSON
	10 COLCHESTER UNITED	3,446	2-1	24	15	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	WILSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	RONSON	SPENCE 2	DAVIDSON
	17 Lincoln City (5)	PP													
	20 HULL CITY	3,636	3-1	26	15	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	WESTON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	SERMANNI	SPENCE	
	24 SOUTHEND UNITED	4,566	1-2	26	13	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	WESTON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	SERMANNI	SPENCE	
Mar.	3 Mansfield Town	3,872	1-1	27	12	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	JONES	WALDRON	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	6 Bury	4,575	3-1	29	12	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	JONES	RONSON	SPENCE 2	DAVIDSON
	10 PLYMOUTH A. (6)	4,750	0-0	30	12	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	JONES	KERR	SPENCE	DAVIDSON
	14 Chesterfield	4,600	3-1	32	11	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	KERR	SPENCE	RONSON 2
	20 SHREWSBURY TOWN	5,330	5-0	34	10	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	WALDRON	SUDDABY	McEWAN 2	KELLOW 2	KERR	SPENCE	RONSON
	24 WATFORD	9,253	1-1	35	9	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	WALDRON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	KERR	SPENCE	RONSON
	28 Oxford United	2,924	0-1	35	10	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	KERR	SPENCE	RONSON
	31 Brentford	6,360	2-3	35	10	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	WILSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KELLOW	KERR	SPENCE	RONSON
Apr.	7 BURY	5,451	1-2	35	13	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	HALL	SUDDABY	McEWAN	KERR	KELLOW	SPENCE	CHANDLER
	13 Chester	4,376	2-4	35	14	HESFORD	MALONE	PASHLEY	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	KELLOW	SPENCE	CHANDLER
	14 TRANMERE ROVERS	4,798	2-0	37	14	HESFORD	MALONE	GARDNER	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	KELLOW	SPENCE	JONES
	16 Hull City	6,000	0-0	38	14	HESFORD	MALONE	MILLIGAN	THOMPSON	MAY	McEWAN	SERMANNI	KELLOW	SPENCE	BOWEY
	21 SWANSEA CITY	5,977	1-3	38	16	HESFORD	MALONE	MILLIGAN	THOMPSON	MAY	McEWAN	SERMANNI	KELLOW	SPENCE	RONSON
	24 EXETER CITY	3,136	1-1	39	16	HESFORD	MALONE	MILLIGAN	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	KELLOW	SPENCE	RONSON
	28 Peterborough United	4,004	2-1	41	15	HESFORD	McEWAN	MALONE	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	RONSON	KELLOW 2	GARDNER	SPENCE	JONES
May	5 BRENTFORD	3,424	0-1	41	16	HESFORD	MALONE	MILLIGAN	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY	KELLOW	SPENCE	RONSON
	7 Lincoln City	1,949	2-1	43	15	HESFORD	MALONE	MILLIGAN	THOMPSON	SUDDABY	McEWAN	HOCKADAY 2	KELLOW	SPENCE	RONSON
	15 SWINDON TOWN														
	17 Sheffield Wed.														

Home fixtures in CAPITALS

Blackpool's score first

Scorer's name in bold

WAGSTAFFE	HOCKADAY
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WAGSTAFFE	HOLDEN
CHANDLER	WILSON
CHANDLER	WAGSTAFFE
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WAGSTAFFE	HOCKADAY
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WESTON	HOCKADAY
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	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Watford.....	45	23	12	10	79	52	53
Swansea.....	45	23	12	10	81	60	58
Shrewsbury.....	43	19	18	6	52	37	56
Swindon.....	43	24	7	12	69	44	55
Gillingham.....	43	19	16	8	59	40	54
Carlisle.....	46	15	22	9	53	42	52
Exeter City.....	43	17	15	11	60	49	49
Colchester.....	44	16	16	12	53	52	48
Hull City.....	42	17	11	14	62	52	45
Southend.....	46	15	15	16	51	49	45
Brentford.....	44	18	9	17	49	45	45
Oxford United.....	45	14	17	14	43	49	45
Plymouth.....	46	15	14	17	67	63	44
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Sheffield Wed.....	42	10	19	13	45	48	39
Chesterfield.....	42	13	13	16	49	59	39
Bury.....	43	9	20	14	52	61	38
Mansfield.....	41	10	17	14	44	47	37
Peterborough.....	43	10	13	20	41	62	33
Walsall.....	45	10	12	23	55	67	32
Tranmere.....	45	6	16	23	44	73	28
Lincoln.....	43	7	11	25	39	80	25

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Next Home Game

Thursday, 17th May, 1979
Central League
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY
Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

LOCAL MATCHES

TO BE PLAYED AT BLOOMFIELD ROAD

Blackpool Schools' Football Association — Finals

Thursday, 17th May, 1979

UNDER 13's	KICK-OFF 5.30 p.m.
UNDER 15's	KICK-OFF 6.45 p.m.
UNDER 16's	KICK-OFF 8.15 p.m.

Blackpool & Fylde Sunday Alliance — Finals

Saturday, 19th May, 1979

UNDER 11's	KICK-OFF 10.30 a.m.
UNDER 12's	KICK-OFF 11.45 a.m.
UNDER 13's	KICK-OFF 1.30 p.m.
UNDER 14's	KICK-OFF 2.45 p.m.
UNDER 15's	KICK-OFF 4.15 p.m.
UNDER 16's	KICK-OFF 5.45 p.m.

REFEREE

Derek T. Richardson (Lincoln). Commenced refereeing whilst in Pakistan with the R.A.F. in 1953 then progressed through the Lincolnshire, Midland and Northern Premier Leagues to the Football League List. Was linesman in a F.A. Challenge Trophy Semi-Final in 1970/71, an Amateur Cup Semi-Final in 1971/72 — and the F.A. Challenge Cup — 3rd and 4th place ties in 1973/74.

A married man, he has two children and is a Cashier/Accounts Supervisor.

SUPPORTER'S CLUB NOTES

For the last home match of the 1978-79 season Swindon Town are the visitors tonight. It is quite possible that Swindon will be coming to Bloomfield Road looking for 2 points to clinch promotion. They have been in the thick of the exciting promotion battle for most of the season and should bring a good following of supporters with them. With 25 victories to their credit they have won more matches than any other team in the division. Their 8 away wins were at Brentford, Bury, Exeter, Lincoln, Mansfield, Oxford, Rotherham and Swansea. The fixture at the County Ground last September resulted in probably Blackpool's best result of the season. Tommy Sermanni scored the only goal of the game in the 88th minute after Iain Hesford had saved a penalty.

Blackpool have won all games played between the two clubs at Bloomfield Road. The last meeting was in 1973 when Blackpool won 2-0 with a Terry Alcock goal and an own goal. The complete record between the clubs is as follows:—

	Pl.	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Home	4	4	0	0	1	3	8
Away	5	1	2	2	2	3	4

Most Blackpool supporters will want to forget this season which has been the worst one ever. Bob Stokoe hasn't managed to keep a settled team all season and he is still no nearer knowing his best team now than he was a year ago when he joined the club. Signings are to be made during the summer so let's hope that next season gives the now small band of faithful supporters something to cheer about.

The Reserve team succeeded in avoiding having to apply for re-election to the Central League. The vital points were gained in the

home win over Huddersfield by 2-0 when a Keith Bowey goal and another Paul Cruickshank penalty clinched the points. Other results were a 2-1 defeat away to Huddersfield and a 3-0 defeat away to Burnley for whom Malcolm Smith scored a hat-trick.

The A team completed their season at Bloomfield Road last week with a 2-1 defeat by Manchester City. Dave Lake scored Blackpool's goal.

AWAY TRAVEL

The last away match of the season is at Sheffield Wednesday on Thursday night. The Supporter's Club coach to this match will leave at 3.30 and the fare is £2. Once again thanks to all our away supporters for their good behaviour throughout the season and thanks to our travel stewards Alan Shepherd and Ozzie Macdonald for organising all the away trips. This has now been the 12th season that the Supporters Club have run coaches to Blackpool away games. Quite a number of our supporters have in fact been to every Blackpool game this season and in doing so have travelled some 8,500 miles up and down the country.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

The Wilf Wells Trophy for the Blackpool player of the year was last Thursday presented to Derek Spence. Derek is a very popular player and polled over half the votes cast. He has missed only 3 games this season and has scored 16 goals including a hat-trick against Carlisle. Pete Suddaby was voted into second place and Stan McEwan was third. Derek is the first Irishman to win the award. Previous winners have included 8 Englishmen, 3 Scotsmen and 1 Welshman.

SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT

Please note that even though the football season has now ended the Supporters Club will be open throughout the summer and would welcome a visit from any member who normally only attends on match days. There will be groups to entertain you every night except Wednesdays from the end of June to early August. The vacant Wednesday night will be reserved for the regular bingo sessions.

Thank you for reading this page through the season and I hope to be with you all again in print next season.

Next Away Game

BLACKPOOL

A583 (Preston New Road) then Preston (North) to A59 and A59 to intersection 31, M6 at Samlesbury, 19 miles. M6 south then M61 (follow Manchester signs) then M62/M63 (follow Stockport signs) to present terminal of M63, Cheadle, junction with A560, 57 miles. A560 via Stockport and Gee Cross (follow Hyde, then Sheffield signs) to Broadbottom junction A57, 67 miles. A57 (Snake Pass) via Glossop to Sheffield 90 miles.

Approaching Sheffield on the A57 fork left with the signs for Barnsley on Rivellin Valley Road the A6101 continuing to Langsett Road. Turn left here then right at traffic lights at Middlewood Road and Sheffield Wednesday's ground at Hillsboro'.

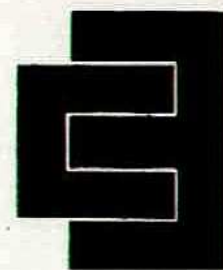
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4. Maxie THOMPSON
5. Peter SUDDABY
6. Stan McEWAN
7. David HOCKADAY
8. Tony KELLOW
9. Derek SPENCE
10. Billy RONSON
11. Jim WESTON
- Sub Garry JONES

*Colours:
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Blue Shorts.*

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2. John TROLLOPE
3. Andy FORD
4. Roy McHALE
5. Roy CARTER
6. Kenny STROUD
7. Ian MILLER
8. Brian HAMILTON
9. Andy ROWLANDS
10. Alan MAYES
11. Phil BATES
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