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Danny Williams says....



In the first half of the game against Charlton Athletic the lads gave a good performance of attacking football up to the eighteen yard box but at that point they ceased to function correctly. Instead of getting around the back of the defence we were lobbing balls into the goal mouth where the two big central defenders were clearing up field or heading the balls for corners. I think if we had got down to the Bye Line and made the defence turn to face their own goal more problems would have been caused for them. But notwithstanding that I am not taking away credit for the football we played, especially in the first half, building up from the back and which kept Ian Miller well up on the right side instead of playing as a right back. I am confident that Ian Miller is one of our best assets when he is playing in the oppoents half of the field where they generally put two men to mark him, which is exactly what happened at Exeter last Saturday. This left a one against one situation in their box against Alan Mayes and Andy Rowland and playing this way we scored four goals.

Against Charlton we most certainly missed Brian Williams this meant we were playing only one flank whereas with him in the side at Exeter we had men on two flanks crossing the ball to the strikers, Andy Rowland and Alan Mayes in the middle.

I am concerned that at the moment we appear to lose concentration in defence and when we have tightened this us and the players mark their men tighter I am sure we shall have better results.

I was pleased to receive the result of the Youth Team win away at West Ham in the South East Counties Junior Cup last Saturday, we really have been successful since we joined that League at the commencement of last season. I understand that, at reserve level, we outplayed Southampton for sixty of the ninety minutes of the game but, like the first team, they lost concentration when they got one up and threw the game away.

Finally a welcome to the players, officials and supporters of Burnley Football Club who I am sure will give away no early christmas presents this afternoon and I would ask you to cheer the lads throughout the afternoon and let us hope for two more points to help us in the climb from the bottom of the table. Thank you for coming.

NEXT MATCH

Tuesday, 4th November, 1980 DIVISION III

GILLINGHAM

K.O. 7.30 p.m.

Talk of the Town by the Chairman

Our visitors today from Burnley have spent most of their lives in the higher divisions and have been renowned in the past for producing their home bred players. They have never had the crowd support that some of the higher echelon have enjoyed, and therefore the successes that Burnley have had over the years is a great credit to the club and everyone connected with them over the years.

Their Chairman, Bob Ford, has been a figure head in the football world for many years and holds high office with the Football League.

The football world is a hard place these days in which to survive, with all the economic difficulties surrounding us, and last week every club in the Football League was represented at a gathering in Solihull to discuss ways and means to try and make the game more attractive to our supporters.

Transfer fees are always in the news with astronomical fees being exchanged, and most people must wonder how clubs, that are reported to be in debt, can still afford to find these high fees and, of course, very often very little money does exchange hands at the time that these terms are agreed. The clubs have now agreed to pay fifty per cent, of any deal, and the balance to be paid over the first twelve months and clubs feel that this arrangement will help keep transfer fees down. Many people attending this seminar had ideas to help improve the entertainment side of our game, but due to our affiliation and strong ties to UEFA and FIFA, we find it very hard to alter the basic rules of the game, such as the offside rule. One part of this ruling is very frustrating when linesmen raise their flag to draw the attention of the referee to a player in an offside position, and yet not interfering with the game. We are told that it is the referee's decision to decide these issues, but so often we see the game brought to a halt because of this flag raising. The Football League have issued a very clear instruction to the officials to see that these decisions are minimised and we can only hope that they will do so. Our members agreed to award three points for a win, in place of our present two, and we hope that this will encourage attacking football.

Our season will not start so early in the year and will finish a little later than other seasons. This of course will help the enthusiast who often misses the opening games of the season because of holiday commitments.

Hooliganism came in for a lot of discussion, and to be able to seat everyone is the obvious way to eliminate a lot of the trouble. It was felt that the Government should take a harder line in punishments, and day centres for offenders were in favour, but who should look after these places was not discussed.

I am sure that abolishing the yellow and red cards will help the mood of the supporters and give the referee a better chance to use his discretion after he has already spoken to a player. The third and fourth division clubs have been given the privilege of a vote for each club member when deciding the re-election, or otherwise, of their members. We have long felt that the associate members should have a full vote on issues that only directly affect them. Many delegates felt that our game is being over-exposed on television and, in regions where there are only a few clubs, they appear too regularly sometimes for their liking, but we have a contract to honour which we shall do.

Our result at Exeter was very pleasing to say the least, and very exciting towards the end of the game if tension can be called excitement. We all know that we have the ability to win matches and I am sure that our performance at Exeter will give our confidence a big boost.

We were very sad to hear of the death of Mr Bert Williams, a Vice-President of our Club and a former Director for many years. Bert's enthusiasm for our game never waned, and in latter years attended matches, even when he had to be assisted to his seat and this was made possible by the devotion and kindness of Mr and Mrs Smith who always brought him in from Wantage.

Another member of our club, a former player, John Clifford met his death tragically and many people from all walks of life paid tribute last week to Johnny's memory. He always set an example of what a true sportsman is, in what he did.

I cannot conclude these notes without mentioning the good performances of our young teams last week, with a win over Leicester City 1 - 0 at Leicester and a win of 3 - 0 over West Ham in London in the quarter-final of the South East Counties Cup Competition. Terry Wollen is certainly keeping up that standards set by John Trollope.

In my notes of our last programme I said that Jack Taylor the former referee was at Hereford, when of course I should have said Wolverhamptons Wanderers.

Hoping that you enjoy today's game and thank you for your support in our lean times.



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John Ward talks to

Roy Walsh was born one minute's walk from the Glentoran ground in the East Belfast shipyards.

Roy Walsh was born one minute's walk from the Glentoran ground in the East Belfast shipyards. When he was fifteen he went as an apprentice to Manchester United, where Frank O'Farrell and Pat Crerand were in charge. Like so many Irish boys Roy was, to use his own words "put through the Manchester United production line". He was very well treated and his schoolfriend, Sammy McIlroy was there, just making his first team debut, but Roy told me with some regret "I felt young and insecure and homesick. If I had my time over again I would have stayed but . . ." As it was after eighteen months he was back in Belfast.

Roy settled down as a carpenter in the shipyard playing part-time for Glentoran mainly in midfield or in the back four. At the age of seventeen he became a first team regular. "We were a good team," he said. "George Eastham's father was manager. We had two Irish internationals and since there were only twelve teams in the League in Northern Ireland we had a good chance of qualifying for one European competition or another. In my first year we reached a quarter final; I think it was a piece of Irish football history. Usually we were against full time professionals so the opposition was one up before we started: We met Juventus, Borussia Moenchengladenbach, Basle and Ajax while I was there. Against opponents like this we simply tried to enjoy the experience as much as possible. We were as professional as the other lot before the game but there was plenty of scope for entertainment afterwards. You hear of English teams playing in Europe and not noticing which city they are in but we were not at all like that. I particularly remember one trip to Iceland: it's not a country which I would have thought of going to otherwise but it was really beautiful with very homely people."

Round about the age of eighteen and nineteen Roy had it in mind to come over and have another try in English football but no offers came. Meanwhile a number of players began to come to Glentoran with stories of life in American soccer. While still immensely proud of his homeland Roy was becoming increasingly restless at the continuing political problems and doubtful about the advisability of bringing up a family in those surroundings. His thoughts turned to the States but it was difficult for a part time player to be taken seriously by an American club. Then last year Arthur Stewart, the Northern Ireland international who had succeeded George Eastham senior as manager at Glentoran and who now had a coaching post with the New Jersey Americans invited Roy to

play for them during the summer. He jumped at the chance.

New Jersey Americans played in the American Soccer League, the equivalent of the Second Division. The facilities off the pitches were excellent but the crowds and glamour were all with the main NASL. The pitches were baked hard and consequently the play tended to be scrappy while the gates averaged around 3,000. The rules corresponded more to the English ones without the more gimmicky variations of the NASL. Nevertheless Roy received the same perks from his club, like an apartment and car, as are given to the stars of the Cosmos. "The club was owned by a computer firm," said Roy. "Whose boss was a millionaire; he saw it as a good opportunity to promote his company as well as enjoying the satisfaction of having his own football team." The players were clear that it was part of their job to represent the club in public on all sorts of occasions. One such were the soccer clinics, coaching sessions for schoolboys run by the players. These became family affairs the children brought their parents along and this helped to establish the club as an integral part of the community. Roy is not sure that this would happen over here: "In America it is a new experience for the parents too but in England can you imagine parents coming along with their kids when they have been brought up with soccer themselves all their lives?" Back in Northern Ireland and impressed by the American standard of living and way of life Roy was contemplating how he might settle there for good when out of the blue came the opportunity of a one week trial with Swindon Town. Well aware of Swindon's recent history and cup exploits he had no hesitation. As luck would have it he played in two good games for the reserves while he was over here, one against the full Plymouth Argyle first team. He was offered a contract which keeps him at Swindon until the end of this season. "I am hoping for a taste of first team football," he said. "I am still only twenty four and it is my ambition to play for Northern Ireland."

With his wife Clare, who is herself a netball international - just before Roy's season in America Clare was on tour in Trinidad! - he has rented a thatched cottage in the village of Ashbury near the Uffington White Horse. It is a far cry from the working class area where he was brought up and the seaside town of Bangar, his more recent home. His and Clare's families have been over to stay and Roy has found his spare time taken up with showing them round and moving furniture. "When that is out of the way," Roy said. "I plan to take up fishing again. I am relying on David Peach to show me the best spots!".

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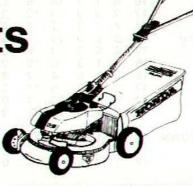
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ITONDA IN NORTH WILTSHIRE

Third Dimensions

Chester's seven-match unbeaten run came to an end last Saturday against struggling Fulham. Gordon Davies clinched the points for the Londoners twevle minutes into the second-half.

Oxford, still without a home win this season, slipped against Portsmouth despite taking a seventh-minute lead through Joe Cooke. Leigh Barnard's winner for Pompey was his first goal for eighteen months.

Bottom club Hull suffered their seventh defeat in succession at Colchester on Tuesday. The Tigers have found the net just once in the last eight games.

Millwall crashed to their second home defeat in four days. Saturday's visitors to the Den, Sheffield United, raced to a two-goal lead inside twelve minutes then new boy Steve Neville from Exeter made it 3 - 0. Although Alan McKenna

pulled a goal back for the Lions, home defender John Sitton put one past the luckless Jackson to make it safe for United. Millwall surrendered another two points on Tuesday to a Walsall side which had dented the pride of the league leaders last weekend. Chesterfield never really recovered from a second-minute goal from Richard O'Kelly but had every chance to put things right when the Saddlers had two men sent off. O'Kelly did the damage again with the only goal at the Den.

Another busy referee was George Tyson who booked six in Burnley's 2 - 0 win over Brentford - a rare away defeat for the Bees. But Tuesday saw Brentford back to their winning ways at Plymouth, Dean Smith securing the goal which sent Argyle to their third home reverse in a row.

Carlisle made it five points out of the last six with two Paul Bannon goals giving United a 2-0 home win over Blackpool.

DIVISION THREE LEAGUE TABLE.....up to and including Tuesday October 28th 1980

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Chesterfield	16	6	,	1	17 - 6	3	2	3	11 - 9	22		Derek Hales 11, Paul Walsh 11
Charlton Athletic	16	7	0	1		1	4	3	5 - 9		6,455	Steve Taylor 7, Martin Dobson 5
Burnley	16	6	2	0	16 - 4	2	5	1	10 - 8			David Kemp 13
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Sheffield Utd	17	6	1	1	16 - 5	2	1	6	12 - 13			Ronnie Glavin 11, Derrick Parker 7
Barnsley	16	4	2	2	9 - 5	2		2	13 - 13			David Gregory 7, Joe Laidlaw 5
Portsmouth	15	6	. 0	2	12 - 8	3	0	4	8 - 9		15,108	Tony Funnell 6
Brentford	17	1	3	4	9 - 13	6	1	2	13 - 8	1000		Tony Fullien 0
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Valsall	17	4	1	3	15 - 14	3	2	4	8 - 11			Alan Buckley 6, Don Penn 5
Reading	16	6	1	1	18 - 8	1		6	6 - 16			Pat Earles 6, Neil Webb 5
Blackpool	17	2	3	3		3	3	3	12 - 13	16		Colin Morris 12
Chester	14	4	1	2		2	2	3	4 - 6	15	2,309	Ian Howat 3, Trevor Phillips 3
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*Includes 5 for Exeter City

Jimmy Allan

Jimmy has been a Swindon professional since July 1971 and he made his League debut for us against Q.P.R. at the County Ground in September of that year. He is now approaching his 300th first-team game for the club and here we chart his record so far.



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Brentford						1		1	2
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Luton								1	1
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Carlisle			2				4	4	-	1
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Burnley



Back Row (L to R) Derek Scott, Billy Hamilton, Vince Overson, David Holt, Kevin Young, Stuart Robertson Middle Row (L to R) Billy Rodaway, Steve Taylor, Alan Stevenson, Tommy Cassidy, Jim Thomson Front Row (L to R) Ian Wood, Brian Laws, Phil Cavener, Martin Dobson, Paul Dixon, Eric Potts.

Burnley Pen-Pictures

ALAN STEVENSON (Goalkeeper). Alan joined Burnley from Chesterfield in a £50,000 deal in 1972 and was later capped by the England under-23's on 11 occasions. With one short exception, he has been in the Burnley goal since his transfer.

IAN WOOD (Defender). Ian joined Burnley from Oldham this summer after spending 14 seasons as a first-teamer at Boundary Park. Before leaving, he set up a new club record of 525 League appearances for the Latics.

DEREK SCOTT (Defender). Derek developed in the Turf Moor junior sides and came through for his first League experience in 1974/75. He has been a fixture in the defence for almost five years now and we should see him at centre-back today.

VINCE OVERSON (Defender) Vince developed in the junior sides at Turf Moor and came through for his League debut last season when he made 22 appearances.

DAVID HOLT (Defender). David is another close-season signing from Oldham. He began his career with Bury and, when he was transferred to Oldham in 1974 the £40,000 fee was then a record for the Boundary Park club.

BRIAN LAWS (Defender). Brian is another product of the club's youth scheme. He made his League bow on the final day of last season and has played several games at right-back this term.

MARTIN DOBSON (Midfield). Martin returned to his old club in 1979 for £100,000. He originally joined them on a free transfer from Bolton in 1967 and, after winning the first of his five England caps, he was transferred to Everton for £300,000.

TOMMY CASSIDY (Midfield) Tommy won his 19th N. Ireland cap in their splendid World Cup victory over Sweden last month. He was transferred from Glentoran to Newcastle in 1970 and made some 200 first-team appearances for the Magpies before moving on to Burnley for a fee of around £40,000 this summer.

ERIC POTTS (Midfield). Eric developed as a winger with Sheffield Wednesday, making some 150 League appearances for the Owls. He was transferred to Brighton in 1977 but a year later moved on to Preston. Burnley signed him for £20,000 a few weeks ago.

KEVIN YOUNG (Midfield). Kevin is another player to learn his game in the Burnley juniors. He emerged for his League debut two seasons back and last season played in more than half their fixtures.

BILLY HAMILTON (Forward). Billy made his seventh appearance for N. Ireland against Sweden last month. It was in May 1978 that he left Linfield to sign for Q.P.R. but he was transferred to Burnley last season and ended up top scorer.

STEVE TAYLOR (Forward). Steve, a £35,000 signing from Mansfield this summer, is Burnley's leading scorer with seven goals, including a hattrick against Millwall. He originated with Bolton and showed his early scoring form with 20 goals in 1976/77. But Bolton then surprisingly sold him to Oldham for £38,000 and he topped their list with 21 in his first season. Luton paid £50,000 for him in 1979 but sold him to Mansfield for £75,000 a few months later.

PHIL CAVENER (Forward). Phil joined Burnley from South Shields and scored twice in only eight full League appearances last season.

Town through time Centre

forwards

The state of the s

by paul plowman

The centre-forward has been part of our game for only as long as the powers that be have become tactically aware of the need to defend against, as well as attack, the opposition. In its earliest form of association football was barely distinguishable from its rugby counterpart. The man in possession dribbled past all oncomers until he eventually lost the ball. There was virtually no passing of the ball and any forward movement of this nature was deemed to be 'offside'. The goalkeeper was assisted by just two defenders, the remaining eight being given a free role to attack. Only when the folly of trying to match two men against the efforts of eight came to light were two 'half-backs' introduced - the original defenders now becoming known as 'three-quarter backs'. This still left six forwards, of course, until a further development came with the withdrawal of one front runner to plug the gap in the middle of the back line - the stopper or centre-half. This led to the WM formation with one man wide on each flank, two link men between defence and attack - the inside-forward and one to lead the front row. The true centreforward had thus been born, a role which through the years demanded the ability to get the ball in the net - if not the skill with which it got there. This invariably produced the rugged swashbuckling-type character who cared not whether the goalkeeper was in possession of the ball at the time he chose to make his presence felt! And until the mid-1950's the laws of the game upheld this somewhat inelegant approach to the art of goalscoring. This freedom, together with the change in the offside law in 1925, paved the way for scoring records to be smashed almost at will. Swindon Town centre-forward were not to be outdone either, for shortly following the new ruling Messrs Richardson, Morris and company took the club to a century of league goals for the first time and to a new F. A. Cup record victory margin of ten goals to

One of the first true centre-forwards to come to Swindon was MALCOLM SUTHERLAND who arrived from Darwen (then a Football League Second Division club) just prior to the grand opening at the County Ground in 1895. However, he confined most of his scoring activities to the Town's away travels and in his fourth game hit a hat-trick in a 4 - 3 win at Clapton's Spotted Dog ground in Forest Gate. By March 1896 Sutherland had been switched to insideforward to accommodate ALEC BOGGIE - this following a none too successful experiment of giving the leadership of the attack to centre-half Jimmy Munro in an away fixture at Luton. Swindon crashed 1 - 7. Boggie's debut came in another away trip, this time to Ilford - where he scored once before the interval to give the Town a comfortable 3 - 0 lead and four times afterwards, taking the final scoreline into double figures - ILFORD 0 SWINDON TOWN 10! For reasons best known to the team selection committee, Alec Boggie was asked to operate at left half-back for the 1896/97 season while his place up front went to DAVID SKEA who scored twice on his debut when employees from the London and North Western Railway Company's works at Wolverton were visitors to Swindon. A more significant change came, however, in February 1897 when the Town signed a nineteen years old centre-forward from Aberystwyth by the name of ARTHUR GREN-VILLE MORRIS. A full Welsh international at eighteen, Morris blended well in attack with two Grimsby Town exiles in Jock Bell and Billy Richardson - and the three frequently interchanged for the centre-forward position. It was RICHARDSON who took over when economics forced Swindon to sell young Grenville to Nottingham Forest towards the end of 1898 although in his last months here the Welshman played in the inside-left berth with TOM LITTLE (bought from Luton that summer) in the centre. Forest got good value from their purchase for Morris stayed until 1913 and hit over two hundred goals for them, a record no one has since looked like approaching.

To be continued

Burnley out of place

BURNLEY are a proud club with an eviable tradition. One of the Football League's founder members in 1888 they have since flitted around between the First and the Second Divisions, until last spring that is, when the club suffered their greatest humiliation - relegation to the Third Division.

However you can't change the course of history even though it was a sad day, not only for Burnley, but for football in general, because the Lancashire Mill Town club had proved that success was not the exclusive right of the big city clubs.

Indeed in the sixties the famous claret and blue shirts were a feared sight, Burnley won the Championship in 1960 and were runners-up and F.A. Cup finalists two years later, it was an era when their cultured football packed them in on the terraces.

They were a great side, with Irishman Jimmy McIlroy orchestrating from midfield, the dashing John Connelley on the wing and the mobile and talented Ray Pointer in the middle of the attack. Add to that the bite and determination of the craggy Brian Miller and they were some combination.

But it is no good dwelling in the past, those glorious days are just history now. Since then Jimmy Adamson, Joe Brown and Harry Potts who returned to the managerial chair to try to recapture those times, have done their best to keep Burnley in the forefront of the football world, but it has been hard.

It is a fact of life that the Turf Moor Club can not compete with the giants of the game on equal terms, for no matter how well they do, they will never get big enough gates. Burnley have therefore had to survive on their own youth policy which has been very productive. Unfortunately economics have dictated that the club has had to sell many of those fine players and that is why the club are no longer a major force.

The man in charge now is Brian Miller, Burnley born and bred. He took control just over twelve months ago but was unable to stave off the drop that had been threatened for some years. Helping Miller, are Frank Casper, Ray Pointer, Arthur Bellamy and George Graham, all former players and men steeped in the Burnley tradition of cultured football.

"A lot of things have happened in the last ten years," says Miller, "But I think that if we can get a fair side together the crowds will respond COLIN BENSON and I am sure we will be able to hold our own".

Of course the key to Burnley's future lies on the field. Says Miller: "Obviously we feel the quicker we can get back to the Second Division the better. There is not so much pressure on me personally but for the club it is vital. It may take a season or two we will see."

The Burnley boss has assembled together a fine blend of young players and experienced internationals like Martin Dobson and Tommy Cassidy - a £30,000 buy from Newcastle United and in fact only five of the current side were in the team that dropped out of the Second last season.

Miller has actually let 22 players go in the past year bringing in Cassidy, Eric Potts from Preston (£20,000), Steve Taylor from Mansfield (£30,000), Ian Woods on a free from Oldham and Dave Holt who moved from Oldham for £45,000.

Playing in the Third Division is a new experience for Miller but he seems to be coping well: "It is a little hectic with two matches a week," he confesses. "But we seem to have settled in very well.

"To be truthful there does not seem to be much difference in the quality of the two divisions. We have met some very highly skilled sides in the Third Division, like Sheffield United and Chesterfield and from what I have seen so far there are a lot of clubs who could more than hold their own in the higher grade."

One of the master strokes that Miller has pulled off this season is to move former England midfield star Martin Dobson back as a sweeper. "He is absolutely brilliant there," enthuses Miller and is no doubt one of the reasons why Burnley are back on the right lines and heading for promotion.

Can they do it first time?

Dobson remains cautious: "I feel this side is good enough to get us promotion," he says and explains: "Up to now we have only met one side that was possibly better than us on the day and that was Chesterfield. We won the game and so on that basis I think we should be good enough."

The First Division is still a long way off, but that is where Brian Miller is heading. He has enjoyed the fruits of success at that level and wants another bite. For Miller and Burnley it seems only right.

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Swindon Permanent Building Society Autumn Competition

Swindon Permanent Building Society will give £100 to a Swindon Town player every 2 months.

What is more, if you can agree with the Judges who the deserving player should be and how many points he has scored YOU TOO CAN WIN £100.

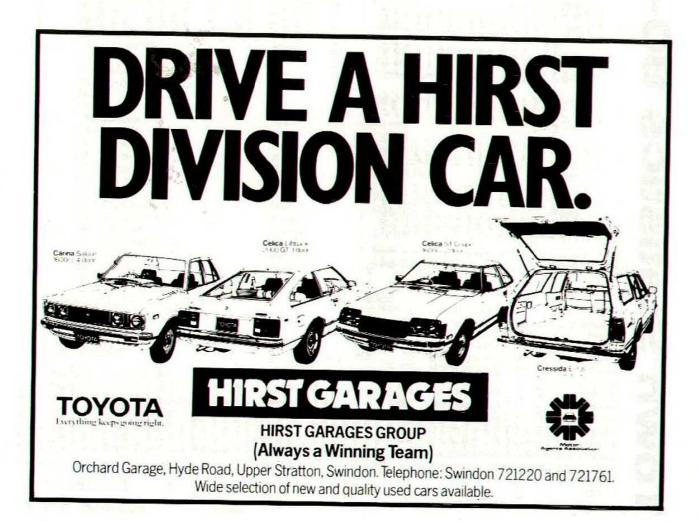
For each home game, commencing 4th October you will award points to each player to a maximum of 20 under the following heading:

- (a) Ability
- (i) Ball control (or handling for the goalkeeper)
 (ii) Positional play (this will again include the goal keeper)
 (b) Effort not necessarily based on skill but proven willingness to make the club succeed
 (c) Four points will be deducted for a booking for dissent

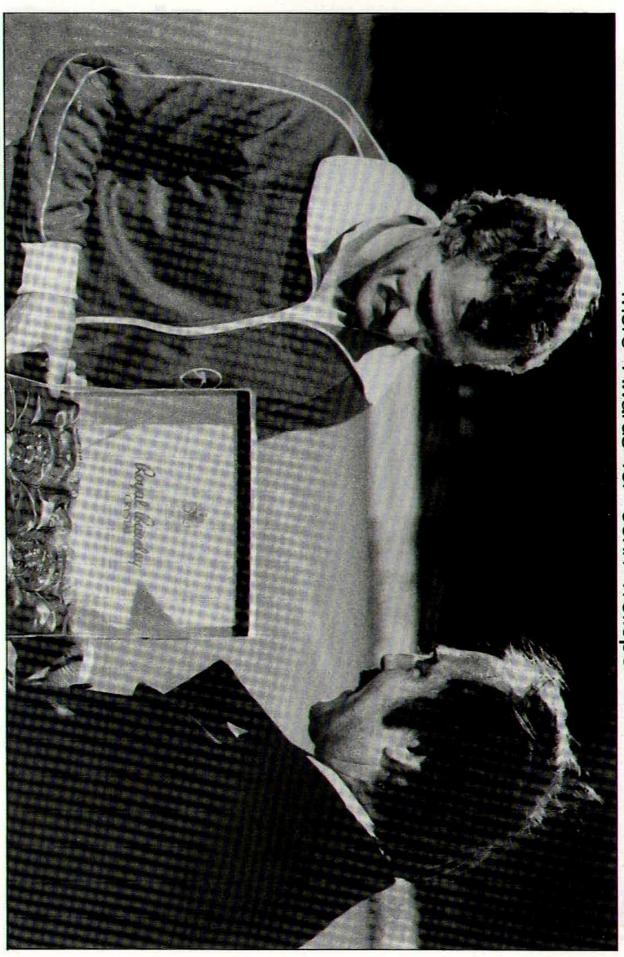
Add together the points against each player for all home games to the 29th November, 1980.

At the end of the period, you only have to submit the marks for the player to whom you have awarded the most points.

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lan Miller heads high and hard into the Charlton goalmouth in the last County Ground defeat



Russell Lewis provides a platform for Charlton's Les Barry in Swindon's last home defeat.

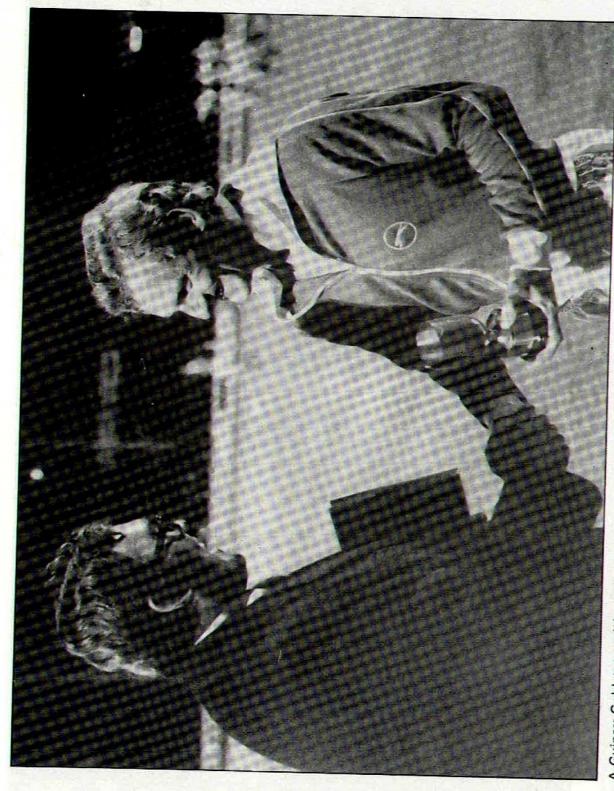
Parade



Johns in the Charlton goal leaps high to collect a high Town cross, watched by Swindon's Kamara (left, Rowland (No. 9) and Lewis.



Charlton goalkeeper Johns punches clear from Swindon's Andy Rowland in the Town's defeat at the County Ground.



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Soccer Scene

Goalkeeper Gary Plumley was one of the stars of Newport County's magnificent 0 - 0 draw with Haugar in a European Cup-winners Cup tie in Norway. Yet Gary knew in his heart that even if, as now seems highly likely, Newport win the second-leg he is unlikely to be playing in the next round.

"It does'nt look as if there is any future for me as a first-teamer at Newport," shurgged Gary after the club had invested a club record £45,000 fee in Tottenham 'keeper Mark Kendall.

Kendall will not qualify for European games until the next round—the quarter final. "Of course I'll be happy to play in the second-leg against Haugar if I'm still with the club," said Plumley.

Gary is the son of Watford's chief executive Eddie Plumley. Both were previously with Leicester but Gary did not get into the first-team at Filbert Street. He won an immediate place in Newport's first-team following his transfer in 1976 and had been the number one goalkeeper at Somerton Park until this season.

Exeter striker Steve Neville last week joined Sheffield United for a fee of £80,000 a few days after making a big impression when playing against the Blades in a League match. Neville, who joined Exeter from Southampton two years ago, scored five goals in the club's opening four League games this season, then Jost his scoring touch.

Another Third Division striker who hoped to be on the move was Walsall's Roy McDonough who had attracted a bid of £20,000 from Chelsea. Before joining Walsall for £15,000 in 1978, McDonough was with Birmingham City but got only two outings in their First Division side.

When Bobby Campbell walked out of Craven Cottage for the last time, he became the 15th managerial change of the current season. The axe came soon after Fulham's 0 - 4 home defeat by Oxford and after Mr. Campbell's disappointment at his failure to sign former West Ham striker Alan Taylor. He then turned his attractions to ex-England forward Trevor Whymark. Taylor, who scored both the goals when West Ham defeated Fulham in the 1975 F.A. Cup final, finally signed from Cambridge for a fee of £130,000.

Whymark was on four occasions top scorer for Ipswich Town. But, during the summer seasons of 1979 and 1980 he played for Vancouver Whitecaps and, between them, has sought employment in the English game. Last season he served both Norwich and Derby on loan. When he recently returned from the American game, Whymark circularised all League clubs to his availability.

At the moment it's Fulham's Rugby League team that captures most of the headlines. They won again last Sunday and remain hot favourites to gain promotion to the First Division. Their success has inspired other clubs to look into the possibility of following suit.

Southend striker Derek Spence is hoping his shooting form this season might earn him a recall to the N. Ireland team. His career has taken a few uncertain turns since he rocketed into the international reckoning in 1974/75. Previously with Crusaders and Oldham, he was then with Bury and in the process of topping their scoring list for the second season in succession.

Bury had picked him up from Oldham for a mere £2,000 fee in 1973 but, following his international success, they sold him to Blackpool for £50,000 three years later. Blackpool were struggling at the time and he began to lose his touch. He took what proved an ill-advised move to Greek club Olympiaskos in 1977 and that cost him his international place.

In 1978 Spence re-joined Blackpool and in his first season he was top scorer with 17 goals. That earned him a recall to the international side. Last season he was involved in a swop deal with Colin Morris going to Blackpool when he signed for Southend. Both players were valued at £175,000.

But, as the Shrimpers slid to relegation to the Fourth Division, so his goals started to dry up again. This season he netted 10 goals in his first fifteen League games and he believes he could still add to the 26 caps already in his possession.

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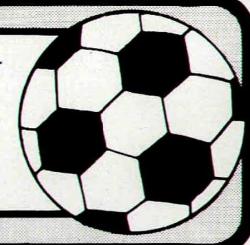
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He is a Project Accountant to a firm of consulting engineers and is interested in golf and cricket. He is also a holder of the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award.

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