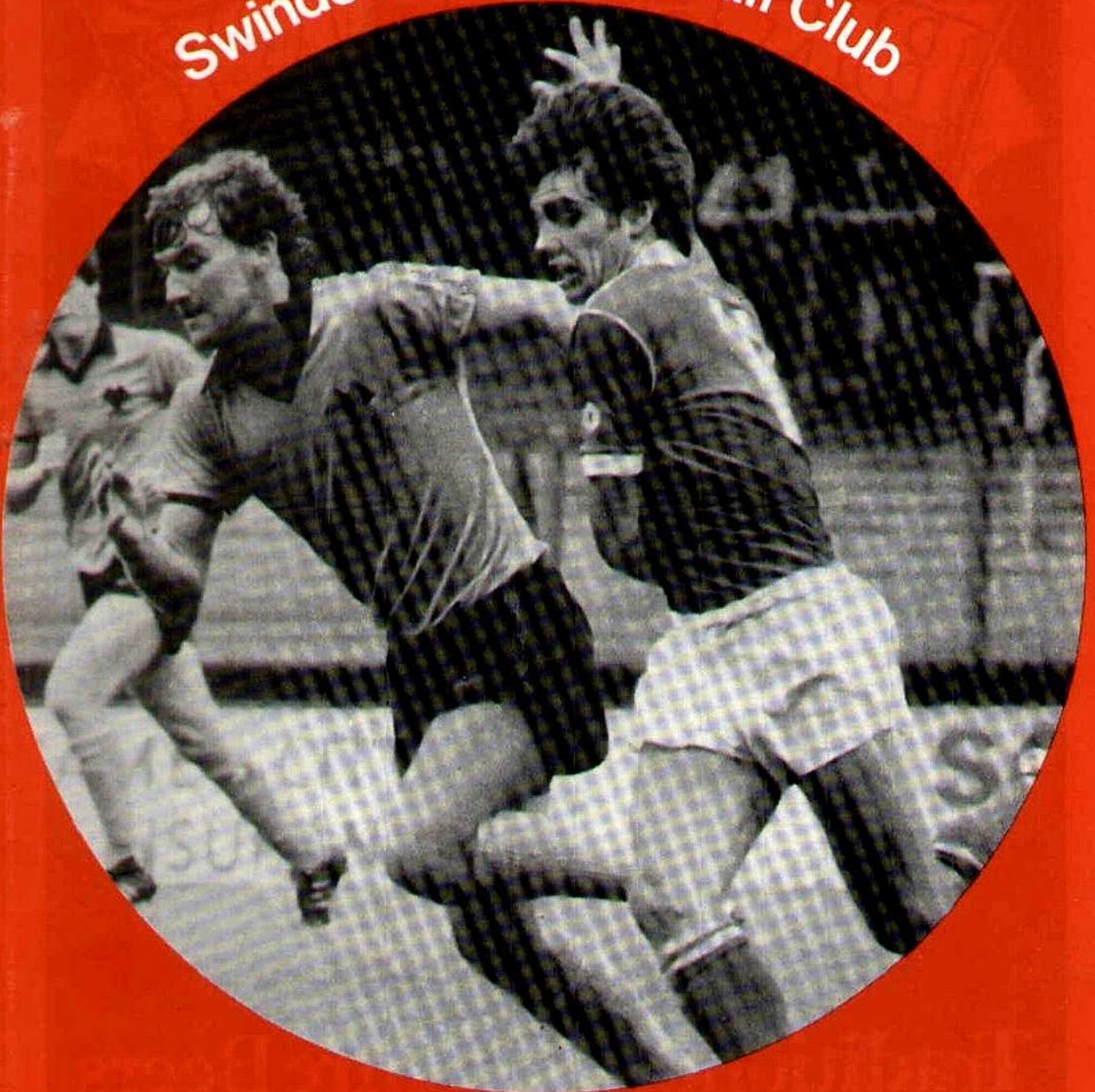


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Talk of the Town by the Chairman

We are pleased to welcome the players and official of Bristol City tonight in the first leg of the old Football League Cup which is now named 'The Milk Cup'; The Football League have negotiated a sponsorship with the National Dairy Council with their products and of course the Football League Clubs.

It is certainly a new phase in the football world to be sponsored by the National Dairy Council and in fact the very first time that they have sponsored a major football competition in this country.

It would surprise many people to know that milk is a very popular drink with footballers. If supporters had the habit it could improve crowd behaviour.

The return game for the second leg of the first round tie will be played at Bristol on Tuesday evening 14th September, kick off 7.30 p.m. Round Two is also played on a two leg basis and also the semi-final otherwise this competition is on a straight knock-out basis.

We have our own sponsors tonight to whom we are very grateful and include Mr W Collins - Turf Accountant, Mr. Hibberd - Heavy Plant Hire, Mr K Knox - South West Transport Ltd, Mr J Richards - Alexander Insurance Brokers and Mr M Wilkinson - Swindon Auctions.

These people are very well known business people in the town and also loyal supporters of our club.

Mr K Knox in fact donned the Swindon Town jersey in his younger days. The match ball has been sponsored by Mr Arthur Done who served for many years on the Board of Directors and is now a vice-president of our club.

The mascot tonight is Richard Howard aged eight years old and comes from Devizes. These programme notes have had to be written before the result of our first league game and therefore we do not know at this moment how successful or otherwise we have been.

The start of every season brings its surprises and of course this is the reason for the renewed enthusiasm which we all look for.

Our playing surface is in very good condition and Maurice Owen must take the credit for bringing it up to this standard.

A lot of work is done during the close season behind the scenes and you will notice many new advertising boards around the ground freshly painted and written this is now the responsibility of Danny Williams who will always be pleased to come and see you, if you would like to help the club in any way.

Our reserve team started the season with an away fixture at Southampton on Saturday last and played their first home game against Bristol Rovers on Wednesday 8th September. This is re-arranged to accommodate the Floodlit Cricket match on the County Ground the previous evening Surrey v Gloucestershire, commencing at 6.30 p.m.

Hoping that you enjoy tonight's game and thank you for your support.

John Ward talks to...

John Trollope

When I met him a week before the new season began John Trollope looked leaner than ever, the skin stretched tight over his cheekbones and his hair cut back high above his ears; in the surroundings of his office and with his generally ascetic air he might have been some holy man from the Middle Ages fasting and disciplining himself against worldly temptations in a single-minded pursuit of eternal truth. He must have noticed my surprise for at once the gaunt, stern features broke into a boyish grin. "Yes I have lost a lot of weight" he volunteered. "I went down from 12½ to 11½ stone and I am only just beginning to put a few pounds back on again. It wasn't the worry: it was running in a marathon at the end of May and the training beforehand. I was doing fine until I reached 19 miles when I blew up; the next three miles were terrible but after that I was all right again. They say that most people suffer at that stage. I finished in 3 hours 50; I would like to have a go at beating that next year."

"I was running for the Supporters Co-operative" John explained. "They have raised money for me so I thought I would try and pay them back; I raised over £1000. They are doing a marvellous job. Last season they paid Mike Carter's wages so that he could come on loan from Bolton and this year they are paying the wages of one of the Youth Team players. It was bad luck on Mike Carter: I am sure he was a good player but he came into the side when it was going through a very bad patch."

Money has been tight ever since I took over," John reflected. "Three weeks after I started we had to sell Alan Mayes so that the club would survive. At the end of that season we couldn't afford to meet the demands of Chris Kamara and Brian Williams and Ian Miller wanted to better himself. It was understandable that they should be looking for bigger contracts than we could offer but it was a big blow to lose a players of that quality and experience; this is specially valuable when things begin to go wrong".

"We had survived one very difficult season," John continued "and I was hoping to consolidate. We had a good start and then we fell

apart. We picked up again at Christmas but then we hit a really inconsistent patch; our confidence went completely and we looked a ragged side, especially at home. It's only natural that some supporters should get impatient; they have paid good money so they have a right to complain but unfortunately if they do it during a game it only makes things worse. Towards the end of the season they were really getting behind us but the players were conscious of a minority element itching to have a go at them".

"Andy Rowland being out for so long was a major factor. This left Paul Rideout to lead the line at the age of 17; that's a huge responsibility in the Third Division. We failed to play together as a team and there was no money to buy key individuals to plug any gaps. I would have liked to have been able to back my judgement by buying a player for a fee; picking up players on free transfers is all very well but paying out money is the real test. Sometimes when I look at the way previous managers were able to spend I feel a bit down but I am not complaining; the Board have backed me all the way; there are not many managers who keep their jobs when the team has been relegated."

The time had come to leave post mortems and look at the future but first I asked John how he had spent the summer. Had he gone away for a long holiday to recover from the disappointment? "We moved house a year ago," he replied. "We still live in Highworth but in an older property and it needed a lot doing to it. I spent three to four weeks in the summer doing it up and never came near the ground or gave football a thought during that time. Now I am very hopeful after the pre-season's games; but then I was hopeful after the first ten matches last season!" he added wryly. "We've tried a number of different formations and it looks as if 4 4 2 could be the one, provided we can get the mid-field men forward. What is especially encouraging is the way that three or four youngsters have really staked a claim for a First Team place. We are now seeing the players come forward whom I brought to the club when I was Youth Team Manager. They've

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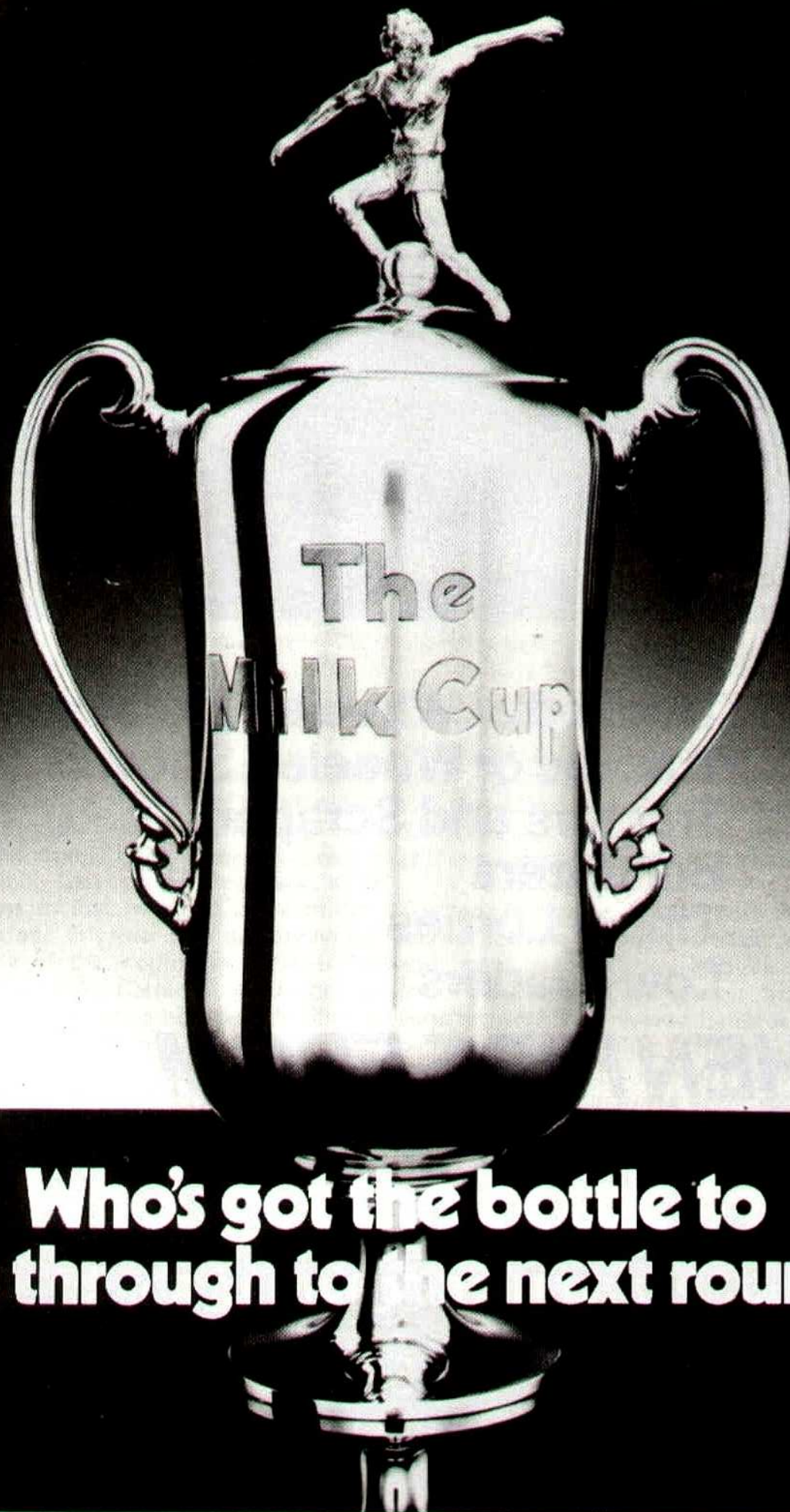
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Season 1960-61	First Round	Bye			
	Second Round	Shrewsbury	(H)	Result	1 - 1 Jackson
Season 1961-62	Replay		(A)		2 - 2 Layne (2)
	Second Round		(H)		0 - 2
	First Round	Birmingham City	(A)	Result	1 - 1 Smith
Season 1962-63	Second Round	Preston North End	(H)		2 - 0 Hunt, Morgan
	First Round	Bye	(A)		1 - 3 Smith
	Second Round	Darlington	(H)	Result	4 - 0 Smith (3) Jackson
Season 1963-64	Third Round	Notts. Co.	(A)		0 - 5
	First Round	Bye			
	Second Round	Chelsea	(H)		3 - 0 Smart, Smith (2)
	Third Round	Southend United	(H)		3 - 0 Summerbee, Atkins, Rogers
Season 1964-65	Fourth Round	West Ham United	(H)		3 - 3 Smith, Rogers, McPherson
	Replay		(A)		1 - 4 Rogers
	First Round	Bye			
	Second Round	Swansea T	(A)		1 - 3 Skeen
Season 1965-66	First Round	Bye			
	Second Round	Darlington	(A)		1 - 2 Rogers
Season 1966-67	First Round	Bournemouth	(H)		2 - 1 Trollope, Butler
	Second Round	Portsmouth	(H)		4 - 1 East (2) Brown, Rogers
	Third Round	Doncaster R	(H)		1 - 1 Butler
	Replay		(A)		4 - 2 Smart (2) Lawton, Brown
Season 1967-68	Fourth Round	West Bromwich Albion	(H)		0 - 2
	First Round	Newport Co.	(H)		1 - 1 Rogers
	Replay		(A)		0 - 2
Season 1968-69	First Round	Torquay United	(H)		2 - 1 Smart, Noble
	Second Round	Bradford City	(A)		1 - 1 Smart
	Replay		(H)		4 - 3 Rogers, Smart, Smith, Noble
	Third Round	Blackburn Rovers	(H)		1 - 0 Rogers
	Fourth Round	Coventry City	(A)		2 - 2 Rogers, Smart
	Replay		(H)		3 - 0 Rogers, Smart, Penman
	Fifth Round	Derby County	(A)		0 - 0
	Replay		(H)		1 - 0 Rogers
	Semi-Final	Burnley	(A)		2 - 1 Harland, Noble
	1st Leg - 2nd Leg		(H)		1 - 2 Smith
	2nd Replay		(at W.B.A.)		3 - 2 Smith, Noble, o.g.
Season 1969-70	Final	Arsenal	(at Wembley)		3 - 1 Rogers (2) Smart
	First Round	Bye			
	Second Round	Swansea T	(A)		3 - 1 Noble (3)
Season 1970-71	Third Round	Oxford Utd	(A)		0 - 1
	First Round	Bye			
	Second Round	Watford	(H)		4 - 2 Rogers(2) Horsfield (2)
Season 1971-72	Third Round	Liverpool	(H)		2 - 0 Rogers (2)
	Fourth Round	Fulham	(A)		0 - 1
	First Round	Bye			
Season 1972-73	Second Round	Colchester United	(A)		1 - 4 Horsfield
	First Round	Bye			
Season 1973-74	Second Round	Derby County	(H)		0 - 1
	First Round	Newport County	(H)		3 - 3 Moss, Treacy, Legg
	Replay		(A)		2 - 1
Season 1974-75	Second Round	Chesterfield	(A)		0 - 1
	First Round	Portsmouth	(H)		0 - 1
Season 1975-76	1st Round 1st Leg	Millwall	(H)		2 - 1 Stroud, Trollope (P)
	2nd Leg		(A)		1 - 0 Moss (P)
	Second Round	Wolverhampton W	(H)		2 - 2 o.g. Trollope
Season 1976-77	Replay		(A)		2 - 3 Moss, Eastoe
	1st Round 1st Leg	Northampton T	(H)		3 - 2 Stroud, Goddard, Syrett
	2nd Leg		(A)		0 - 2
Season 1977-78	1st Round 1st Leg	Swansea City	(A)		3 - 1 Anderson, Trollope, Guthrie
	2nd Leg		(H)		2 - 1 Moss, Anderson
	Second Round	Cardiff City	(H)		5 - 1 Moss, Guthrie, Anderson (2) McHale
	Third Round	Portsmouth	(A)		1 - 1 Moss
Season 1978-79	Replay		(H)		4 - 3 Kamara, Anderson, Moss McHale (P)
	Fourth Round	Wrexham	(A)		0 - 2
	1st Round 1st Leg	Portsmouth	(A)		0 - 0
	2nd Leg		(H)		4 - 2 Aizlewood, Miller, Guthrie, Williams
	Second Round	West Ham United	(A)		2 - 1 Miller, Guthrie
	Third Round	Peterborough United	(A)		1 - 1 Aizlewood
	Replay		(H)		0 - 2
	1st Round 1st Leg	Portsmouth	(A)		1 - 1 Rowland
	2nd Leg		(H)		2 - 0 Carter o.g.
	2nd Round 1st Leg	Chester	(H)		1 - 0 Mayes
Season 1979-80	2nd Leg		(A)		1 - 1 Mayes
	Third Round	Stoke	(A)		2 - 2 Mayes, Rowland
	Replay		(H)		2 - 1 McHale, Mayes
	Fourth Round	Wimbledon	(A)		2 - 1 Rowland, Bates
	Fifth Round	Arsenal	(A)		1 - 1 Mayes
	Replay		(H)		4 - 3 Rowland, Kamara o.g./2
	Semi Final 1st Leg	Wolverhampton W	(H)		2 - 1 Rowland, Mayes
	2nd Leg		(A)		1 - 3 McHale
	1st Round 1st Leg	AFC Bournemouth	(A)		1 - 1 Rowland
	2nd Leg		(H)		2 - 0 Mayes o.g.
Season 1980-81	2nd Round 1st Leg	Lincoln City	(A)		1 - 1 Rollings
	2nd Leg		(H)		2 - 0 Henry, Mayes
	Third Round	Liverpool	(A)		0 - 5
	1st Round 1st Leg	Wrexham	(A)		2 - 3 Carter (P) o.g.
Season 1981-82	2nd Leg		(H)		0 - 2

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TERRY BOYLE (Defender) Joined City in October, 1981 in part exchange for Kevin Mabbutt. Ex Tottenham and Crystal Palace. Welsh International at Full and Under 23 level. Club Captain

WAYNE BRAY (Midfield) Ex England Schoolboy International who joined City on leaving school. Age 18, signed as a full professional last season and made his 1st team debut soon after.

RICKY CHANDLER (Striker) Age 21. Bristol born 5' 10½", 11st 7lbs. Joined City in the summer of 1978. Gained five England Schoolboy Caps, scoring three goals. Past member of England Youth Squad. Made his debut in 1980/81 season. Regular first team member since the end of 1980/81 season. Single.

ALAN CRAWFORD (Wing Forward) Joined Rotherham from School and played 250 games. Joined Chesterfield for £50,000 and made 100 appearances for them. Has scored more than 90 goals. Joined City on a free transfer during the close season.

JON ECONOMOU (Midfield) Age 21. Born in Kingston. 5' 7", 9st 11lbs. Joined City as an apprentice in 1978. Single. Made his debut against Fulham on 6th February, 1982.

RUSSELL MUSKER (Midfield) Age 20. 5' 8" 10st 10½lbs, born in Liverpool. Signed as an apprentice in May, 1978 under great competition from a number of First Division Clubs. Made his debut in 1980/81, and has played regularly ever since. Single.

STEVE THOMPSON (Midfield) Age 20. Born in Plymouth. Signed for City from School in June, 1981. England Schoolboy under 19, 1 cap.

ALAN NICHOLLS (Central Defender) Age 20 6' 1¼", 11st 9½lbs. Plymouth born. Signed apprentice in June, 1979 and made his debut during the 1980/81 season. Single. Regular 1st team player.



Back Row: Alex Lockhart (Physiotherapist), Paul Stevens, Gary Williams, J Garry Smith, Russell Musker, Wayne Bray, Terry Cooper (Manager)

Front Row: Steve Thompson, Ricky Chandler, Alan Nicholls, Terry Boyle, Alan Crawford, Glyn Riley.

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physiotherapist), Paul Stevens, Gary Williams, Jon Economou, John Shaw, Wayne Bray, Terry Cooper (Manager)

Ricky Chandler, Alan Nicholls, Terry Boyle, Tom Ritchie, Robert Newman,

GLYN RILEY (Midfield) Joined Barnsley straight from school. Made debut against Swansea at the age of 16 and scored. Was in the Fourth Division and Third Division promotion teams. 150 League appearances.

TOM RITCHIE (Striker) Edinburgh born. Joined City as a young striker and played in City's First Division Team. Was transferred to Sunderland in 1981 due to City's financial difficulties but made a welcomed return to Ashton Gate on a free transfer during the close season.

JOHN SHAW (Goalkeeper) Stirling born. Signed for City in 1974 on a free transfer from Leeds United. He was a regular member of the first team whilst the Club were in the First Division. Married with two children.

GARRY SMITH (Striker) Age 20. 5' 9½" 11st 6½lbs. Played as a Somerset County player and also for the Wiltshire Schools. Signed apprentice during the summer of 1979 receiving his chance in the 1980/81 season. League appearances 7, but was injured for the whole of last season.

PAUL STEVENS (Defender) Age 23. Bristol born 5' 6½", 10st 3lbs. Up graded from apprentice in March 1978. Bristol Boys and England Schoolboy trialist. Made one League appearance whilst still an apprentice and had gained a regular first team position since the 1980/81 season. Single.

ROBERT NEWMAN (Utility) Age 19. Signed as a professional last season. Versatile player having represented the Youth and Reserve teams at centre-back, mid-field and as a striker. Made his debut against Fulham on 6th February, 1982.

GARY WILLIAMS (Defender) Age 19. 5' 8" 10st 11½lbs. Joined City as an apprentice in 1979 and has been a valuable member of the Youth and Reserve teams. Made his first team debut against Oldham in the last match of 1980/81 season and was a regular member of the first team last season.

From the Bristol City Archives

Compiled by PAUL PLOWMAN

There were four clubs within a radius of three miles in Bristol when city started life as Bristol South End in April 1894. Playing at a ground in St. John's Lane, Bedminster they found a limited company in 1897 and adopted the title of Bristol City. Gaining admission to the Southern League, the new club finished their first season as runner-up to Southampton - which prompted them to apply for a place in the Football League. But little support was received with just one solitary vote cast in their favour. Meanwhile, the Bedminster club was elected to the Southern and with both clubs virtually in each other's pockets, rivalry became intense. Amalgamation was the only solution and this was effected in 1900. City clearly got the better of the deal with choice of colours, no change in the club's title and use of Bedminster's Ashton Gate ground. Players from the two clubs were pooled, amongst them being PETER CHAMBERS and Billy Jones who were both later to join Swindon. Jones was capped just one for England, in March 1901. They came to the County Ground in 1970, with Chambers becoming club captain and staying here until his retirement in 1912. Bristol City made a further application to join the Second Division in 1901 and this time they were accepted, taking the place of Walsall. Almost immediately, secretary-manager Bob Campbell resigned, to be succeeded by old hand Sam Hollis - who had only four players on the books when he took over! The first ever Football League game at Ashton Gate was on September 14, 1901 when City defeated Stockport County 3 - 0. Bristol were represented by the following:-

Moles; Tuft; Davies; Jones (W), McLean; Chambers; Bradbury; Connor; Jones (S); O'Brien, Flynn.

By 1904-05, City had three more men on the payroll who were later to do service at Swindon - wingers Alf Dean and much-travelled Freddy Fenton and the old Forest and Stoke inside-forward Arthur Capes. Harry Thickett was appointed manager during the following summer and one of his first signings was centre-half Billy Wedlock from Aberdare. Wedlock became City's most capped international with some 26 appearances for England and it was no coincidence that in his first season at Ashton

Gate the club stormed to the Second Division Championship, losing only two games all season. In appearance, Wedlock looked the most unlikely of centre-halves - a rotund figure, little more than five feet five inches tall. It was said that Swindon's Billy Silto would have played for England had not the Bristolian been around. On reaching the First Division, City almost took the League title at the first attempt finishing only three points behind Champions Newcastle - but the club never again hit such heights. Even in 1908-09, when they reached the F.A. Cup Final (losing 0 - 1 to Manchester United) only forty-five League goals were scored - fewest in the First Division. Sam Gilligan was top scorer with just nine to his name. Relegation followed in 1911 and in 1922 City clipped further to the Third South, although on that occasion they bounced straight back to the Second. Nelson joined them from the Northern section and by a strange coincidence both clubs were relegated again twelve months later. City were involved in what was probably the strangest domestic Cup Final of all time, some ten years later. The Welsh Cup was contested by two teams neither of which was Welsh and was settled on English soil. Following a 1 - 1 draw at Wrexham, Bristol City defeated Tranmere Rovers 3 - 0 at Chester on May 3 1934.



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John Ward talks to....

John Trollope

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all absorbed the main lesson which I tried to each them, that you get out of the game what you put in; and they really want to play. So I have to be optimistic. Ideally they need another year but even so they should blend in well with the experience of the elder players this season. It's going to be a searching time; the players know it, the directors know and I know it. I only hope the supporters understand. We either have a football club at Swindon on these terms or it goes out of existence. So far the public reaction has been marvellous; I have only had two critical letters. All the others have said that I should stick by it and we will pull through".

It was lunch time. "I had better go and show my face for an hour at home", said John. "I am off the watch Port Vale tonight; then tomorrow we go to Cardiff for a friendly in the evening and on Saturday I shall have to watch another game. On Tuesday Ken Beamish took a side over to Wantage so I went along as well and last night of course we had the game against Luton. Admittedly I was at home on Monday night this week but its a lot for a wife to put up with. It often seems I am only there for bed and breakfast." If everyone else applies themselves with the same dedication and thoroughness then the manager's confidence for the new season will surely be justified.

Season 1982-83

DIVISION 4

Date	Opponents	Ground
1982		
Sat. Aug. 28	Port Vale	H
Tues. Aug. 31	Bristol City MC1 1L	H
Sat. Sept. 4	Blackpool	A
Wed. Sept. 8	Hereford United	A
Sat. Sept. 11	Halifax Town	H
Tues. Sept. 14	Bristol City MC1 2L	A
Sat. Sept. 18	Rochdale	A
Tues. Sept. 21		
Sat. Sept. 25	Crewe Alexandra	H
Tues. Sept. 28	Northampton Town	A
Sat. Oct. 2	Hull City	A
Tues. Oct. 5	MC2 1L	
Sun. Oct. 10	Colchester United	H
Tues. Oct. 12		
Sat. Oct. 16	Bury	A
Wed. Oct. 20	Torquay United	A
Sat. Oct. 23	Mansfield Town	H
Tues. Oct. 26	MC2 2L	
Sat. Oct. 30	Chester	A
Tues. Nov. 2	Tranmere Rovers	H
Sat. Nov. 6	Darlington	A
Tues. Nov. 9	MC3	
Sat. Nov. 13	York City	H
Tues. Nov. 16		
Sat. Nov. 20	F.A. Cup Round 1	
Fri. Nov. 26	Stockport Co.	A
Tues. Nov. 30	MC4	
Sat. Dec. 4	Peterborough United	H
Tues. Dec. 7		
Sat. Dec. 11	F.A. Cup Round 2	
Tues. Dec. 14		
Sat. Dec. 18	Hartlepool United	H
Tues. Dec. 21		
Mon. Dec. 27	Aldershot	A
Tues. Dec. 28	Wimbledon	H
1983		
Sat. Jan. 1	Bristol City	A
Mon. Jan. 3	Scunthorpe United	H
Sat. Jan. 8	Blackpool (FA3)	H
Tues. Jan. 11		
Sat. Jan. 15	Port Vale	A
Tues. Jan. 18	MC5	
Sat. Jan. 22	Rochdale	H
Tues. Jan. 25		
Fri. Jan. 28	Halifax Town	A
Sat. Jan. 29	FA4	
Tues. Feb. 1		
Sat. Feb. 5	Crewe Alexandra	A
Tues. Feb. 8	MC. SF1	
Sat. Feb. 12	Hereford United	H
Tues. Feb. 15	Torquay United (MC SF2)	H
Fri. Feb. 18	Colchester United	A
Sat. Feb. 19	FA5	
Tues. Feb. 22		
Sat. Feb. 26	Bury	H
Mon. Feb. 28	Tranmere Rovers	A
Tues. Mar. 1		
Sat. Mar. 5	Mansfield Town	A
Wed. Mar. 9		
Sat. Mar. 12	Chester (FA6)	H
Tues. Mar. 15		
Sat. Mar. 19	Darlington	H
Wed. Mar. 23		
Sat. Mar. 26	York City (MC F)	A
Tues. Mar. 29		
Fri. Apr. 1	Wimbledon	A
Mon. Apr. 4	Aldershot	H
Wed. Apr. 6		
Sat. Apr. 9	Peterborough United	A
Tues. Apr. 12		
Sat. Apr. 16	Hull City (FA SF)	H
Mon. Apr. 18		
Sat. Apr. 23	Hartlepool United	A
Tues. Apr. 26		
Sat. Apr. 30	Stockport County	H
Mon. May 2	Scunthorpe United	A
Tues. May 3		
Sun. May 8	Northampton Town	H
Tues. May 10		
Sat. May 14	Bristol City	H
Tues. May 17		
Sat. May 21	F A CUP FINAL	
Tues. May 24		

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Opponents	Ground
1982	
Southampton	A
Bristol Rovers	H
Swansea City	A
Chelsea	H
Birmingham City	A
Charlton Athletic	H
Watford	H
Leicester City	A
Norwich City	H
Tottenham Hotspur	A
Reading	H
Fulham	A
Ipswich Town	A
Brighton & Hove A	H
Queens Park Rangers	A
Crystal Palace	H
West Ham United	A
Arsenal	A
1983	
Luton Town	H
Bristol Rovers	A
Millwall	A
Southampton	H
Chelsea	A
Ipswich Town	H
Swansea City	H
Charlton Athletic	A
Watford	A
Arsenal	H
Leicester City	H
Norwich City	A
Tottenham Hotspur	H
Reading	A
Fulham	H
Oxford United	A
Millwall	H
Luton Town	A
Queens Park Rangers	H
Brighton & H.A.	A
Birmingham City	H
West Ham United	H
Crystal Palace	A
Oxford United	H

Picture Parade...

BY DAVE EVANS



Andy Rowland, scorer of one of the goals against Wolves creating more problems during the Town's friendly.

Town through time

A match to remember

NUMBER 1.

by paul plowman

SWINDON TOWN 4 TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR 3
December 31, 1898

In this series I will be looking at the stories behind some historic scorelines involving the Town. Today, the clock is turned back to the end of the last century to New Year's Eve 1898. There had been heavy rain overnight, in fact it had continued through until midday and consequently the pitch was in a poor state. The Tottenham Weekly Herald even went as far as to say that " upon arrival at the railway town ground, it was found to be nothing short of a veritable quagmire. The referee at first was disinclined to allow a start to be made but after a voluntary band of workers had cleared most of the aqueous body away, a commencement was decided on . . ." And so the following teams took the field:

Swindon Town: Menham, Shutt, Mills, Henderson, Logan, Smith, Sharples, Coupar, Little, Munro, Kirton.

Tottenham: Cullen, Melia, Cain, Erentz, Jones, Stormont, Smith, McKay, Joyce, Cameron, Bradshaw.

By now the sun was shining and there was a fresh wind. Town skipper Jimmy Munro won the toss and let his opponents face the sun and the wind. After less than two minutes play, Swindon had taken the lead when JIMMY SHARPLES lofted the ball over Spurs 'keeper Cullen and both Kirton and Little spurned chances to increase that lead. On the quarter-hour Tottenham equalised when full-back Hartley Shutt gave the ball away to McKay and JOHN CAMERON scored easily. Straight from the start, Cullen had great difficulty in dealing with a long shot from Kirton. Bradshaw similarly tested Menham. The visitors took the lead when Bradshaw missed a right-wing cross but CAMERON was on hand to score, although as the North Wilts Herald reported " he was almost beyond doubt in an offside position and when the referee Mr. Jamieson pointed to the centre the spectators loudly voiced their disapproval " To make matters worse Kirton was kicked and had to leave the field, but he returned after the

interval, at which the scoreline read: Swindon Town 1 Tottenham Hotspur 2. Soon after the restart, Tom Little was fouled on the edge of the area and, following an Andy Mills free-kick, Kirton went close. Another free-kick to the Town. When Bradshaw was caught offside near the halfway line, brought an equaliser. Shutt took the kick and SHARPLES again netted, with Cullen touching the ball but unable to keep it out. Town 'keeper Bob Menham made a fine save after Shutt had failed Bradshaw and from the resultant corner. Joyce hit the bar. CAMERON regained the lead for the Londoners when after a long run, he hit a high shot which even the 6' 1" Menham could not reach. Another Shutt free kick gave JIMMY COUPAR the chance to put Swindon on level terms following a melee which the Tottenham Herald described as " a bit of nervous fumbling by Cullen near the post in which the ball slipped out of the custodians hand and rolled into charmed space " With just ten minutes left the Town regained the lead when Sharples drove in from the right and JACK KIRTON applied the finishing touch.

Scorers: Swindon - Sharples 2, Coupar and Kirton

Tottenham - Cameron 3

Attendance: 3,000

Gate Receipts: £59

Sadly, it was to be Jimmy Munro's last game for Swindon, for following New Year celebrations, he contracted a spinal infection and died four days later. The funeral was on the following Saturday when the Town's scheduled game was postponed.

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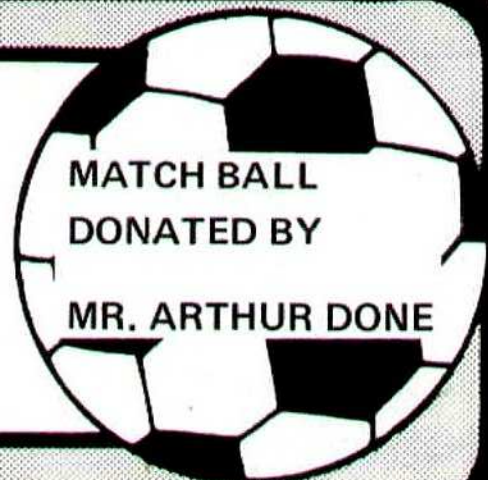
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REFEREE:

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