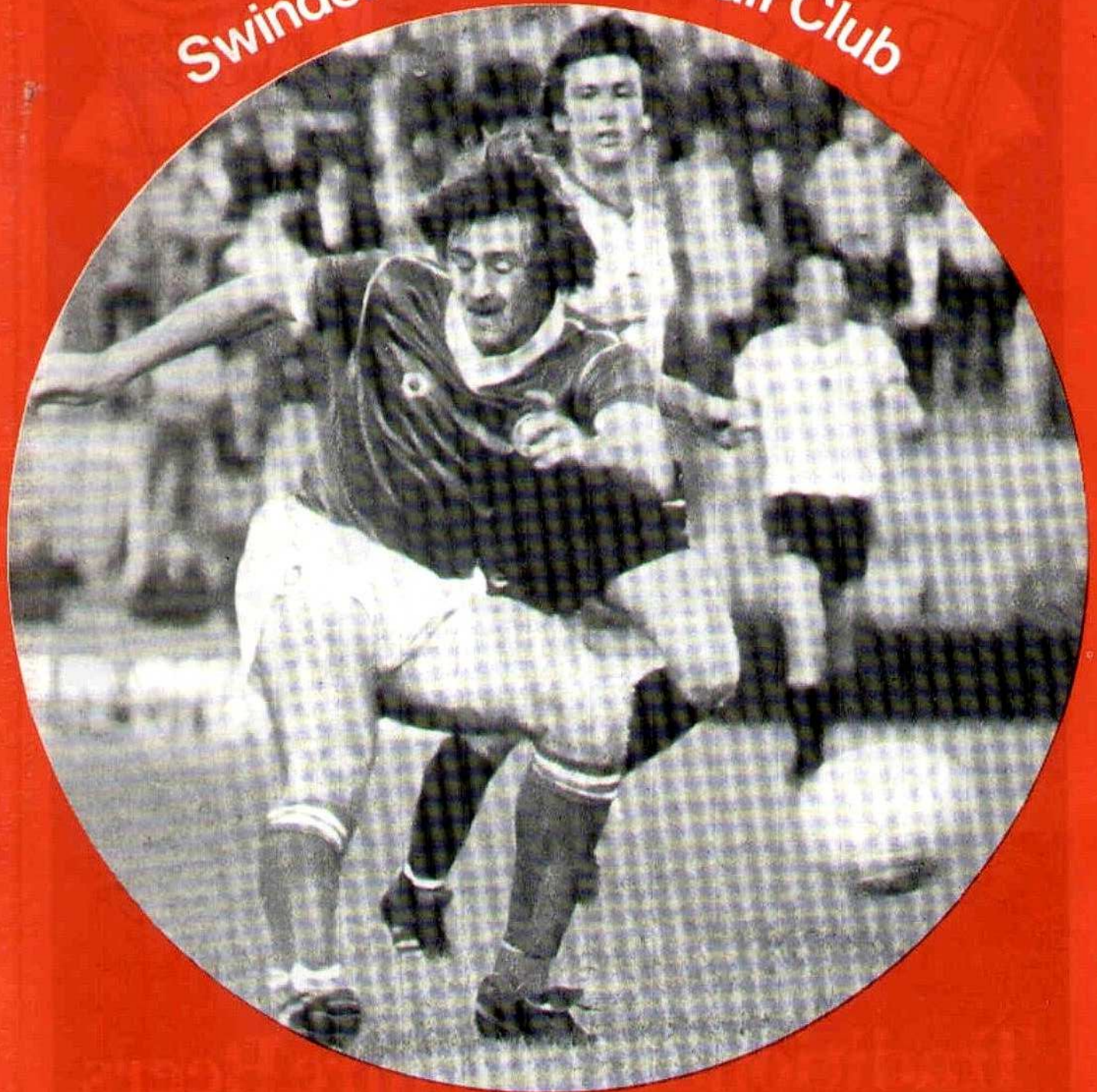




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# Talk of the Town by the Chairman

Today we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Halifax Town. Halifax have recently been in the news with their fight for survival and like most clubs today are depending upon the support from their followers. The last season that we met was in 1976 and the same day that we played at Halifax our local Speedway team rode there in the evening.

On the subject of combining sports on the same ground, we made history on the County Ground on Tuesday evening last, in presenting a floodlit Cricket match between teams from Gloucestershire and Surrey. It was an interesting experiment from our point of view although this, of course, was not the intention as the game was arranged as a benefit match for Sadiq Mohammad, the Gloucestershire and Pakistan famed cricketer. Unfortunately the game was poorly supported and like many events today, people are reluctant to watch live entertainment when it means expense that they do not consider is necessary.

Our own season has started well with the team playing good open football and we can only hope that they can get the results that will keep our supporters coming to the County Ground.

The mascot today is Steven Painter, who comes from Chippenham and we hope that it will be a happy day for him and his parents. Danny Williams will be pleased to hear from any parents who would like to take the opportunity for a day at the club with their son or daughter to lead out our team on the day.

On Tuesday next, the 14th September we play our second leg of the Milk Cup competition at Bristol City F.C. and hope that the result will enable us to advance into the next round which is also on a two legged basis.

We played at Hereford on Wednesday last and our reserve side played Bristol Rovers at home on the same evening but the results are not known at the time of writing these notes. Our young reserve side did very well to draw at Southampton and the Youth team gave a good performance to beat Cambridge United on the County Ground on Saturday last.

Many of our supporters travelled to Blackpool on Saturday last and those who travelled on the Travel Club coach had the unfortunate experience of being stranded on the motorway when only a few miles from their destination, but they did get to the game to see the start and I understand that they stayed on in Blackpool to see the 'Lights'. I had the opportunity to speak to Peter Noble before the game and he sends his best wishes to all the friends that he made whilst playing with us.

On Saturday, the 18th September, Don Roger's Youth side are playing against Charlton Athletic in the South East Counties League and this game may be played on the County Ground subject to weather conditions.

I hope that you enjoy today's game and thank you for your support.

Since my last notes I have three games to talk about, two wins at home and a defeat at Blackpool. The home game against Port Vale was a good commencement to the season, the attitude of the players and the manner of their play being good but unfortunately, having created several good scoring chances we wasted them either by bad shooting or by bad luck. On the evidence of this game it looked as if we got our game together but for the poor finishing.

We carried this good football into the Milk Cup game against Bristol City and for twenty-five minutes of the first half played, what was possibly the best football seen since I took over as manager. Unfortunately, when Bristol stepped up their game in the second half we were unable to maintain that standard of football. However we continued to battle away and in the end achieved the right result.

Having gained these two wins we went to Blackpool with confidence and our first half performance almost matched that twenty five minute spell against Bristol City. During this period we gained a deserved one nil lead but just before half time gave away an unnecessary penalty. This seemed to lift

Blackpool who came out for the second half to hit us with everything they had. Not being able to play the football of the first half it was a case of matching them for effort and certain of our players failed in this department . . . in the end we came away with a 2-1 defeat when we could so easily have gained a point or even possibly three. In this division the players must learn that we are not always going to be allowed to play attractive football and that we are going to meet teams who are going to try to knock us out of our stride and it is at these times that ninety minutes effort is going to be required from every member of the team. These notes are written before the away game at Hereford where, hopefully, we shall have put these faults to right.

The Reserve team had an excellent result at Southampton, where they drew no score on the 28th August and the South East Counties Youth Side have had two creditable games, drawing 1-1 at Bristol Rovers on the 28th August and beating Cambridge United at home 2-0 on the 4th September, Cambridge being a very strong team last season.

Today I would like to welcome the team and supporters of Halifax Town to the County Ground and, of course, you our own supporters whose presence here this afternoon is so important to us. Let us hope that the result matches that of the last two home games and that we all have an enjoyable afternoon.

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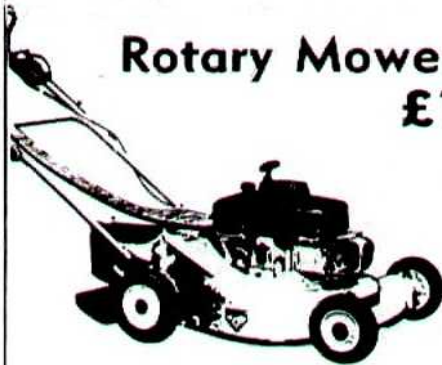
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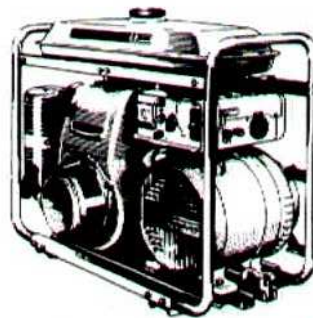
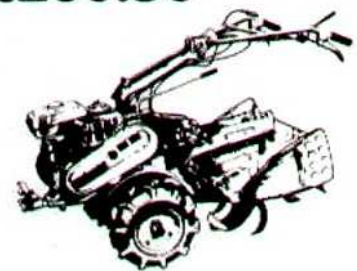
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IN NORTH WILTSHIRE

# John Ward talks to.... Leigh Barnard

Leigh Barnard comes to Swindon after seven years with his previous and only club Portsmouth. He was born in Eastbourne and was playing prominently in schoolboy and county sides in the south-east when Portsmouth spotted him at the age of 14. He progressed through the club's Junior and Reserve Teams and was present during the major internal upheavals which saw managers come and go and Portsmouth's fortunes plunge and then revive.

"I was in and out of the First Team" Leigh said. "They have a bigger squad than most clubs and used to make a lot of big buys. Obviously the manager would feel he had to play the big signings so that local lads like myself used to consider that we were being used a bit; we just had to bide our time and take the First Team opportunities when they came along".

I asked Leigh what he thought of Frank Burrows, Swindon's former, popular centre half who managed Portsmouth when they were promoted from Division IV only to be sacked when they failed to make similar progress out of Division III. "HE was terrific," Leigh said. "He had this tremendous enthusiasm for the game and he used to communicate this to the players. It was a tragedy that he got the sack."

After the change of management at Portsmouth last season it came clear to Leigh that his future no longer lay with the club and he was given a free transfer. "It was a great shock to the system" he admitted. "It made me realise that I wasn't going to be able to earn my living from playing football for ever. I saw the time had come to get some qualifications behind me." With this in mind Leigh is planning to work at obtaining the right credentials for a position at a sports complex. He hopes to study one or two afternoons a week at Bristol or Farnborough with a view to setting up in partnership with his wife, Lynne, when eventually he retires. Lynne is a beauty therapist, facials, electrolysis, the lot" said Leigh proudly. When they move to Swindon in the near future she intends to branch out in business on her own buying the necessary equipment as she goes along. "We are

looking for a house at the moment" Leigh said. "Luckily the one in Portsmouth went almost as soon as we put it on the market. I want to settle into our own place in Swindon as quickly as possible; its extremely important for a footballer to have a secure home life."

One other iron in the fire for the future for Leigh is his interest in antiques. "During this summer I have been working in an antique shop with a friend" he said. "I do a bit of collecting myself: I am particularly interested in wooden furniture, chairs and desks; I am not really into porcelain and so on yet."

Another interest, which Leigh has acquired since coming to Swindon, is speedway. "I used to watch as a kid" he explained "but there wasn't a track at Portsmouth. Here a friend has introduced me to the riders and I find it very relaxing to watch other people hurtling round the track at such speed taking all those risks."

Leigh told me that from the football point of view too the move had come at a good time: "Five clubs said they were interested in me but nobody came in; they just kept ringing me up asking how things were. Then John Trollope got in touch and asked me to come over right away. I didn't hesitate; there is only one way that this club can go and that's upwards. I have seen it before with Portsmouth and I like to think I contributed something to that. I hope to do the same here."

Although he can play at right back Leigh is a mid-field player first and foremost and has been all his career. "Left, right or middle," he said "I am not bothered: I can play right across the line. I have never been a prolific goal scorer but in the Fourth Division I will be looking for around 10 this season." I remarked that judging by the friendly against Luton, when his fair hair could be seen conspicuously in every corner of the pitch, the crowd had already taken to him. "They may see me play badly sometimes," was his reply "but they will never catch me giving them less than one hundred per cent."

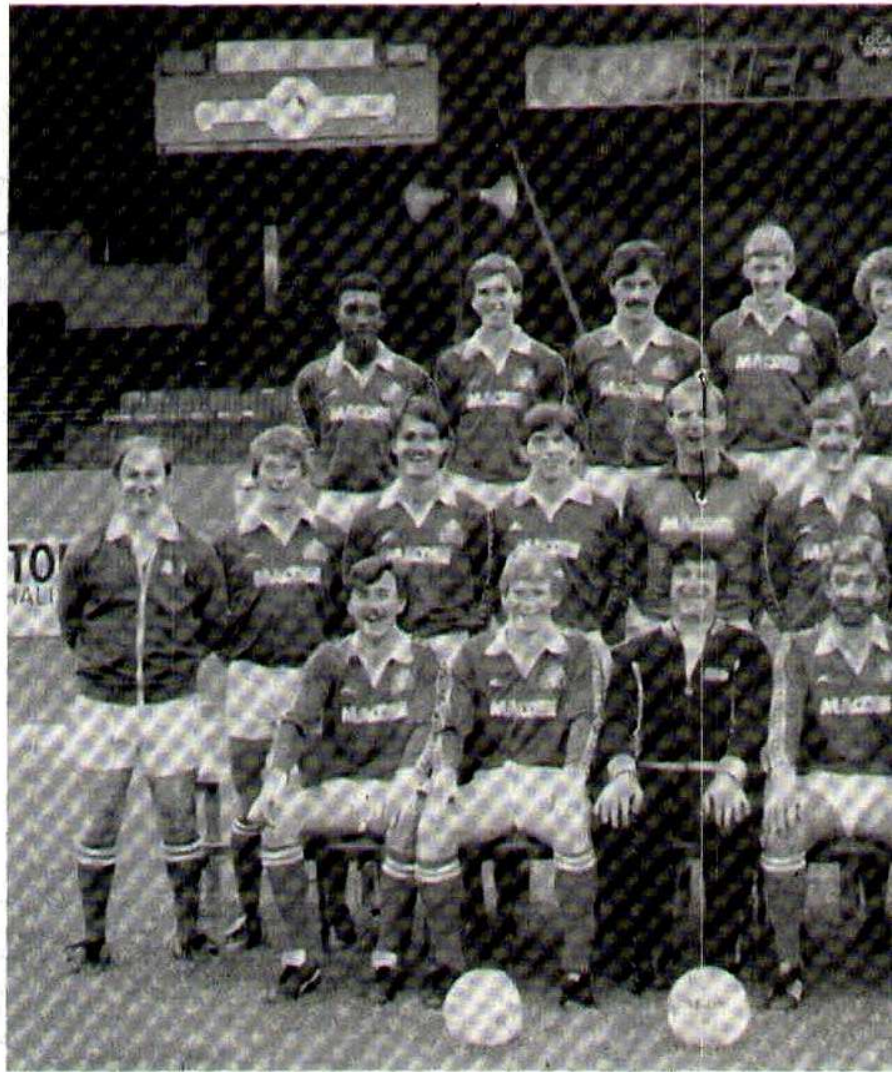
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**LEE SMELT:** Edmonton born Lee began his career with Colchester United and moved on to Gravesend F.C. before joining Nottingham Forest. The consistency of England goalkeeper Peter Shilton however resulted in on 1 Football League appearance, and following a period on loan at Peterborough United he joined Halifax Town in October 1981, for a £10,00 fee. A dedicated and talented professional, he has the ability to become one of the games top personalities.

**DAVID EVANS:** Joined Town during the close season of 1979 for a £22,500 fee from Aston Villa, a team he joined from school and for whom he made 2 Football League appearances. Born at West Bromwich, he is a commanding central defender and the possessor of a fierce shot and is a key figure in the Shaymen's future plans.

**STEVE SPOONER:** London born Steve began his career with Derby County where he made 4 Football League appearances. He joined Town in April 1982 and quickly endeared himself to Shay fans with his skilful play and powerful shooting. Equally at home in a midfield or forward role his leadership qualities have resulted in him being appointed team captain this season.

**PAUL HENRIE:** Made his Football League debut in the colours of Birmingham City during the 1973 season. A fine midfield schemer with the heart of a lion. Paul signed for Halifax Town during the close season of 1979 from Bristol Rovers for a fee of £5,000. A former Celtic apprentice who has also experienced a spell of American football (Portland Timbers). He has endeared himself to Shay fans through his wholehearted displays and genuine personality and would surely command a substantial fee in todays transfer market. Voted as the supporters club "Player of the Year" in 1979/ 80 and 1980/81, and "Press Player of the Year" (sponsored by Calderdale Design Ltd.) in the season 1981/82.



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Everton Carr, Keith Nobbs, Tony Smith, Malcolm Goodman, Dave Pearce  
**Middle Row (L to R)**  
Alan Sutton (Physio), Jimmy Hallybone, Dave Evans, Martin Nuttall, Lee Paul Kendall, Brian Hendy (Asst. Trainer)  
**Front Row (L to R)**  
Bobby Davison, Steve Spooner, Mick Bullock (Manager), Dave Staniforth

**KEITH NOBBS:** Former Middlesborough apprentice, Keith is yet another of manager Micky Bullocks close season signings. A defender with division one experience, this hard tackling youngster was held in high esteem by the Middlesborough management and only allowed to leave on free transfer due to an abundance of defenders at Ayrsome Park.

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**STEPHEN WARD:** Signed from Northampton Town in the Summer of 1980, this talented mid-fielder began his career with Brighton, a team he had joined straight from school. Narrowly beaten into second place for the "Supporters Award" during his first season at the Shay. Steve's personality and wholehearted displays have made him a firm crowd favourite.

**JIMMY HALLYBONE:** A close season free transfer signing from Orient, this midfield dynamo made 20 second division appearances last term. Born at Leytonstone, Jim joined the London club as an apprentice 5 years ago and signed full time professional 2 years later.

**EVERTON CARR:** Arrived at the Shay on a free transfer during the summer of 1981 from Leicester City where he had made 17 first team appearances for the Filbert Street side. Born in Antigua, strong, fearless and talented, he joined City from school and graduated to the first team whilst still an apprentice.

**BOBBY DAVISON:** Born in South Shields, Bobby joined Town from third division neighbours Huddersfield Town for a fee of £20,000 in 1981, and has proved a fine acquisition. Leading goalscorer last season, his excellent ability to read the game, intelligent running and general all round skills have most certainly made him a player to be noticed and must definitely be tipped for the top grade.

**TONY SMITH:** Another close season signing, Tony joined Town from Peterborough United where he had been an almost ever present in the "Posh" promotion chasing side. A powerful attacking centre half he began his career with Newcastle United before joining Peterborough 3 years ago for a £6,000 fee.

**DAVE STANIFORTH:** (Player/Coach) Chesterfield born, Dave played for Nottingham County Boys before joining Sheffield Utd. as an apprentice in 1965/66. In 1974 he joined Bristol Rovers and helped them win promotion to division two before joining Bradford City for a £24,000 fee in June 1979. Joined Halifax Town on a "Free" during the close season and is a versatile player whose experience should prove invaluable.

# From the Halifax Town Archives

Compiled by PAUL PLOWMAN

Halifax Town have been battling bravely along in their little corner of West Yorkshire for over seventy years. Patrons of The Shay have rarely been treated to anything other than football in the lower reaches of the Third Division North or later, the Fourth Division - but they can claim to have seen Manchester United despatched from the Watney Cup some ten years ago (when Halifax were the highest goalscorers in Division Three) - not to mention other performers in motor-cycle speedway riders and even ice-skaters.

The club came into being in 1911 and competed in the Yorkshire Combination and Midland League before becoming founder members of the Third Division North in 1921. Secretary and manager at that time was Joe McClelland - who had been with the club since the very beginning - and the black and white stripes of Halifax made their Football League debut at Darlington on August 27 1921, losing 0-2. The opening League game at The Shay on the following Saturday saw the Yorkshiremen gain revenge with a 5-1 victory, with the team lining up as follows:

Haldane; Hawley, Mackrill; Hall, Challiner, Anderson; Pinkney, Hetherington, Woods, Dent, Whalley.

Locally-born inside-left FRED DENT, who scored two of the goals that day, came to Swindon much later in his career. Having drifted out of League football, Fred was brought back after scoring twenty-nine goals for Welsh club Mid-Rhondda in 1924-25. Bristol City signed him in 1925, Exeter a year later (where he was top goalscorer in 1927-28) and then Norwich. Fred came to the County Ground in 1929 but made only twenty appearances before moving on again to Luton. Goalscoring hero of the 'twenties was Ernie Dixon, a reserve at Bradford City until brought to The Shay in 1922. He was top scorer for the club for seven consecutive seasons, with 130 goals in 240 League appearances, before joining fellow Third North strugglers Nelson early in the 1929-30 season. Top marksman for Halifax in 1930-31 was Albert Pape, about whom there is a famous football tale. Leading scorer for

Clapton Orient towards the end of 1924, he travelled with his team-mates to Old Trafford for a Second Division fixture - where, upon arrival, he promptly signed for Manchester United and played against the Londoners! Halifax Town is not renowned for its exploits in the F.A. Cup - in fact the club has only ever reached the Fifth Round on two occasions. The first accompanied another mediocre League campaign in 1932-33. During the October, Halifax had taken a 2-0 lead at Wrexham - then conceded five goals in seven hectic minutes to go down 2-5 - but they recovered their composure to dispose of non-League clubs Darwen and Workington in the first two rounds. In the third, Town skipper Oliver Thompson led them to a fine 3-0 win at Doncaster, but hopes of a good home draw in the next round were shattered when Halifax were given a trip to Chester - 5-0 conquerors of Fulham at the previous stage. However, the Sealand Road encounter was goalless and the teams met again at The Shay on February 2 1933. Town were forced to make one change, where in goal they brought in Bobby Suter junior in place of 'flu victim Walter Shirlaw. Suter was the son of the club trainer who, although in his early fifties, had made his last League appearance only four years previously. At the end of ninety minutes the score stood at two goals each. Both Halifax goals had come from veteran inside-left Maurice Wellock, who had played at centre-half in that very first League game at Darlington back in 1921. Just three minutes into extra-time Charlie Davies scored what proved to be the winner. On the following evening manager Alec Raisbeck signed the hero of the 1925 Cup Final, Fred Tunstall from Sheffield United, and he turned out for his new club in the Fifth Round home tie with Luton when, in arctic conditions, 29,235 saw Halifax go down 0-2.

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1. Chester	3	1	0	0	1-0	1	1	0	2-1	7	+2
2. Darlington	3	1	0	0	3-0	1	0	1	5-4	6	+4
3. Scunthorpe United	3	1	1	0	4-1	0	1	0	0-0	5	+3
4. Bury	3	1	0	0	3-2	0	2	0	1-1	5	+1
5. Clochester United	3	1	0	0	1-0	0	2	0	0-0	5	+1
6. Hull City	3	1	1	0	5-1	0	0	1	1-2	4	+3
7. Torquay United	2	1	0	0	3-0	0	1	0	1-1	4	+3
8. Tranmere Rovers	3	1	1	0	5-2	0	0	1	0-1	4	+2
9. Peterborough United	2	1	0	0	2-1	0	1	0	1-1	4	+1
10. Aldershot	2	1	0	0	1-0	0	1	0	1-1	4	+1
11. Halifax Town	3	1	1	0	2-0	0	0	1	0-1	4	+1
12. Blackpool	3	1	1	0	3-2	0	0	1	1-2	4	0
13. Bristol City	3	1	0	0	2-1	0	1	1	3-6	4	-2
14. Mansfield Town	3	1	0	0	2-1	0	1	1	0-3	4	-2
15. Northampton Town	3	0	2	0	2-2	0	1	0	1-1	3	0
16. SWINDON TOWN	2	1	0	0	1-0	0	0	1	1-2	3	0
17. Crewe Alexandra	3	1	0	1	6-6	0	0	1	0-1	3	-1
18. Rochdale	3	1	0	1	2-1	0	0	1	0-3	3	-2
19. Wimbledon	2	0	1	0	1-1	0	1	0	1-1	2	0
20. Port Vale	3	0	2	0	0-0	0	0	1	0-1	2	-1
21. York City	3	0	1	0	1-1	0	1	1	1-5	2	-4
22. Hereford United	2	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	1	2-3	1	-1
23. Hartlepool United	3	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	2	1-4	1	-3
24. Stockport County	3	0	1	0	1-1	0	0	2	0-6	1	-6

## KEY OF THE BOARD

A	Aldershot v Peterborough
B	Bristol City v Blackpool
C	Chester v Torquay
D	Darlington v Hereford
E	Hartlepool v Northampton
F	Mansfield v Port Vale
G	Wimbledon v Scunthorpe
H	York City v Tranmere
I	Aston Villa v Nottm. Forest
J	Brighton v Sunderland
K	Coventry v Arsenal
L	Liverpool v Luton
M	Manchester Utd. v Ipswich
N	Norwich v Southampton
O	Notts. County v Everton
P	Stoke v Swansea
Q	Tottenham H v Manchester C
R	Watford v West Brom. Alb.
S	West Ham Utd. v Birmingham
T	Newcastle v Chelsea

# Season 1982-83

## DIVISION 4

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION

DIVISION 4				FOOTBALL COMBINATION			
Date	Opponents	Ground	Score	Opponents	Ground	Score	
1982				1982			
Sat. Aug. 28	Port Vale	H	1 - 0	Southampton	A	0 - 0	
Tues. Aug. 31	Bristol City MC1 1L	H	2 - 1				
Sat. Sept. 4	Blackpool	A	1 - 2				
Wed. Sept. 8	Hereford United	A	2 - 1	Bristol Rovers	H	1 - 0	
Sat. Sept. 11	Halifax Town	H		Swansea City	A		
Tues. Sept. 14	Bristol City MC1 2L	A					
Sat. Sept. 18	Rochdale	A					
Tues. Sept. 21				Chelsea	H		
Sat. Sept. 25	Crewe Alexandra	H					
Tues. Sept. 28	Northampton Town	A		Birmingham City	A		
Sat. Oct. 2	Hull City	A					
Tues. Oct. 5	MC2 1L			Charlton Athletic	H		
Sun. Oct. 10	Colchester United	H					
Tues. Oct. 12				Watford	H		
Sat. Oct. 16	Bury	A					
Wed. Oct. 20	Torquay United	A		Leicester City	A		
Sat. Oct. 23	Mansfield Town	H					
Tues. Oct. 26	MC2 2L			Norwich City	H		
Sat. Oct. 30	Chester	A		Tottenham Hotspur	A		
Tues. Nov. 2	Tranmere Rovers	H					
Sat. Nov. 6	Darlington	A					
Tues. Nov. 9	MC3			Reading	H		
Sat. Nov. 13	York City	H					
Tues. Nov. 16				Fulham	A		
Sat. Nov. 20	F.A. Cup Round 1			Ipswich Town	A		
Fri. Nov. 26	Stockport Co.	A					
Tues. Nov. 30	MC4			Brighton & Hove A	H		
Sat. Dec. 4	Peterborough United	H					
Tues. Dec. 7				Queens Park Rangers	A		
Sat. Dec. 11	F.A. Cup Round 2						
Tues. Dec. 14				Crystal Palace	H		
Sat. Dec. 18	Hartlepool United	H		West Ham United	A		
Tues. Dec. 21				Arsenal	A		
Mon. Dec. 27	Aldershot	A					
Tues. Dec. 28	Wimbledon	H					
1983				1983			
Sat. Jan. 1	Bristol City	A		Luton Town	H		
Mon. Jan. 3	Scunthorpe United	H		Bristol Rovers	A		
Sat. Jan. 8	Blackpool (FA3)	H					
Tues. Jan. 11				Millwall	A		
Sat. Jan. 15	Port Vale	A					
Tues. Jan. 18	MC5			Southampton	H		
Sat. Jan. 22	Rochdale	H					
Tues. Jan. 25				Chelsea	A		
Fri. Jan. 28	Halifax Town	A					
Sat. Jan. 29	FA4						
Tues. Feb. 1				Ipswich Town	H		
Sat. Feb. 5	Crewe Alexandra	A					
Tues. Feb. 8	MC. SF1			Swansea City	H		
Sat. Feb. 12	Hereford United	H					
Tues. Feb. 15	Torquay United (MC SF2)	H		Charlton Athletic	A		
Fri. Feb. 18	Colchester United	A					
Sat. Feb. 19	FA5			Watford	A		
Tues. Feb. 22				Arsenal	H		
Sat. Feb. 26	Bury	H					
Mon. Feb. 28	Tranmere Rovers	A					
Tues. Mar. 1				Leicester City	H		
Sat. Mar. 5	Mansfield Town	A					
Wed. Mar. 9				Norwich City	A		
Sat. Mar. 12	Chester (FA6)	H					
Tues. Mar. 15				Tottenham Hotspur	H		
Sat. Mar. 19	Darlington	H					
Wed. Mar. 23				Reading	A		
Sat. Mar. 26	York City (MC F1)	A					
Tues. Mar. 29				Fulham	H		
Fri. Apr. 1	Wimbledon	A					
Mon. Apr. 4	Aldershot	H					
Wed. Apr. 6				Oxford United	A		
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Mon. May 2	Scunthorpe United	A					
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Sun. May 8	Northampton Town	H					
Tues. May 10				West Ham United	H		
Sat. May 14	Bristol City	H					
Tues. May 17				Crystal Palace	A		
Sat. May 21	F A CUP FINAL						
Tues. May 24				Oxford United	H		

# Picture Parade...

BY DAVE EVANS



Swindon's Andy Rowland and Gary Emmanuel close in on Bristol City's Terry Cooper (right) in the Milk Cup Tie at the County Ground.

# Town through time

## Wingers

by paul plowman



### PART ELEVEN

Harry Lunn was one of four new recruits brought in by Louis Page in August 1948. The Town manager obviously felt that the right flank of his line-up needed strengthening as his purchases comprised a right-back Alec White, a right-half Andy Cowie and outside-right Lunn. Born Henry Lunn, in Lungan, Northern Ireland, in March 1925, Harry was the younger brother of W. J. Lunn - an Irish schoolboy international who was with West Bromwich Albion and Bournemouth between 1946 and 1950. Harry started his career towards the end of the war and was signed by Notts County in July 1946, appearing for them against Swindon in a Second Round F.A. Cup tie later that year. He made 24 League appearances for the Meadow Lane club before moving to First Division Portsmouth and just ten months later, he was on his way to Swindon. Harry didn't miss a game for the Town until Boxing Day 1949 - a run of sixty-five consecutive first-team matches. But following a disastrous 0 - 5 home defeat by Nottingham Forest in January 1950, Roy Onslow wore the number seven shirt until the season was over and Harry did not make a re-appearance until November 18.

On the left-wing JIMMY BAIN took over again from 'Slacker' Williams during September 1948 and was ever-present for twelve months. Hampshire born ALF WHEELER played a number of games on either wing in the absence of Bain or Harry Lunn. The former Blackburn Rovers man was quite a useful acquisition as he could also fill the wing-half or inside-forward positions when called upon. Alf was returning south after originally starting as an amateur with Portsmouth. During Lunn's long absence in 1950 other men who wore the number seven shirt were new signing WILLIE MILLAR from Stirling Albion and JOHNNIE THOMAS, who had arrived from Everton in February 1949 but had taken nineteen months to gain a first team place. Thomas was soon out of

favour again and went to non-League neighbours Headington United in 1952. Millar, who played more games for the Town in the inside berths than on the wing, stayed a further twelve months - by which time Johnnie Thomas had rejoined his old manager Louis Page at Chester. Louis also signed another winger who had made five League appearances for Swindon as an amateur in January and February of 1953, KEN BRANDON. Swindon signed another Portsmouth player in July 1952 in TERRY RYDER, who scored four goals in his first three games and was leading scorer for the Town until a fortnight from the end of 1952/53, when Maurice Owen finally overhauled his total of thirteen goals.

However, top Swindon marksman for 1953/54 was a wing man - MICKEY BULL from Brentford, who began on the left but switched to the right following Harry Lunn's last game in April 1954, his 214th in a Town jersey. Harry then joined Bedford Town and former Bolton Wanderer ALAN BEARDS came into the side.

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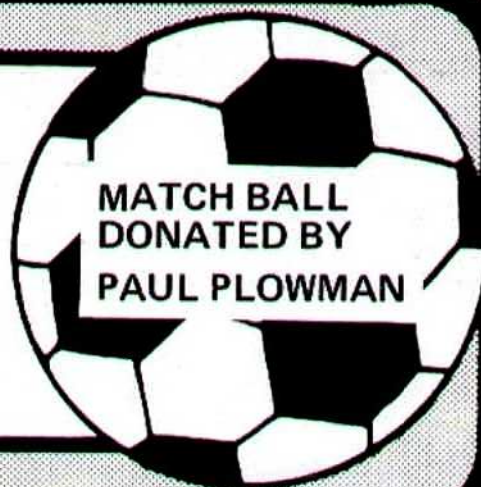
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- 4 GARY EMMANUEL
- 5 RUSSELL LEWIS
- 6 MIKE GRAHAM
- 7 ROY CARTER
- 8 BRIAN HUGHES
- 9 PAUL RIDEOUT
- 10 ANDY ROWLAND
- 11 LEIGH BARNARD

### HALIFAX

- 1 LEE SMELT
- 2 KEITH NOBBS
- 3 EVERTON CARR
- 4 DAVE EVANS
- 5 TONY SMITH
- 6 PAUL HENDRIE
- 7 JIMMY HALLYBONE
- 8 BOBBY DAVISON
- 9 STEVE SPOONER
- 10 DAVE STANIFORTH
- 11 STEVE WARD



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