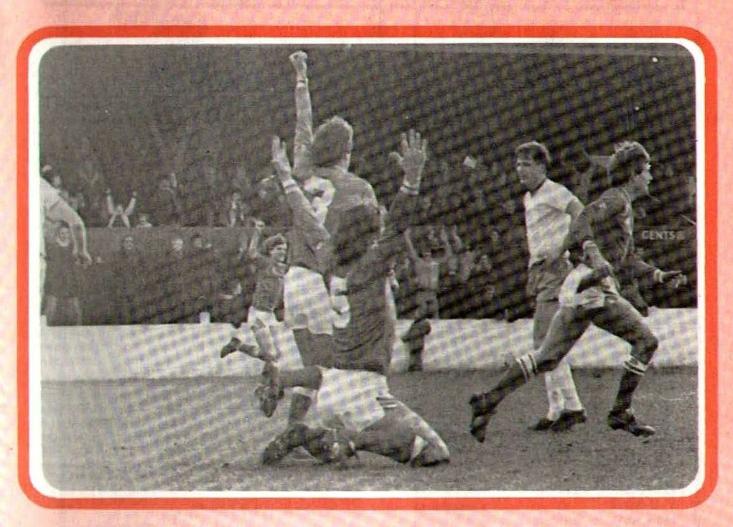
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Manager's Notes

For the visit of promotion contenders Bury last weekend Nigel Hart who had sustained an injury at Colchester the previous week was unavailable so at least one change had to be made in the side and in addition we had signed Nigel Walker from Newcastle United earlier in the week and he made his debut in the team.

Once again it was pleasing to see a good turnout at Gresty Road, and even allowing for the influx of visiting fans from Bury it would appear that given the right type of results that we can think in terms of gates at least around the 2,000 mark and hopefully even better than that. With the arrival of 1983 our supporters cannot argue that they have not been seeing goals and those home fixtures alone have produced 9 in our favour and with them seven most welcome points, a trend which must continue with regularity so that we can rise up the league table.

Dave Waller took his goal tally to 6, just one behind Clive Evans who has 7 and Paul Bancroft who is at present on loan to us from Derby County kept up his goal a game since joining us. As I have said before in these columns competition for places in a side is always a good thing for in that way all players in possession of a first team spot know that someone else is just as determined to do well given the opportunity.

Either building a side or indeed rebuilding a side is never an easy task and in these days where every penny is vital it needs a lot of careful planning. Gradually the pieces of the jigsaw are fitting into place and it is only natural that when changes are made in the side that it takes a little time for players to get to know one another but we can look forward to the time when we can have a settled side and hopefully give everyone connected with this club something to really shout about once again.

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Variations in the way players celebrate a goal being scored. Photo by courtesy of Robert Sproston.

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Hidden amongst the various reports of the Fourth Round F.A. Cup games from last weekend a few lines announced that a player whose hallmark was scoring goals consistently was retiring from the game to concentrate on his business. The player referred to was Dixie McNeill who had rejoined Hereford United in mid October and who had his first outing since rejoining them when Crewe played there in October last. A great competitor who was never afraid to be in the action, he gave a lot of pleasure to many supporters.

Stuart Boam the former Middlesborough player and Mansfield Town parted company and they too will be looking for a new man at the helm. In their first game since he left they were soundly beaten 4-1 by a Port Vale side who certainly appear to be going places and they have gradually been increasing their home attendances at Vale Park.

Hull City certainly had a surprise in store for visitors Stockport County and after leading 4-0 at half time ran out winners 7-0, their best win this season and also the best for some time, 6,151 were at that game certainly a sign that they are on the way back after their fight for life last season.

No Fourth Division clubs are now left in the F.A. Cup competition this season, Torquay United going down 2-1 at home to Sheffield Wednesday, that game too attacted a much better than average attendance, 7,823 and Swindon Town also went out to Burnley at Turf Moor by a 3-1 margin. Despite their poor showing in the league games it is quite amazing that Burnley are in the Semi Final of the Football League Cup where they have the task of taking on Liverpool and also now in the 5th Round of the F.A. Cup. Finally spare a thought for the maintenance staff employed at the Baseball ground at Derby who for the second week running try to rectify the damage to seats in their stand, this time from the ravages of the visiting Chelsea fans - all seater grounds have at times been advocated but just think of the cost such hooligan elements could cause.

Appearances Season 1982-83

Appearances see	13011 13	02-0	3
	ue L.C.	F.A.	Sub.
Paul Bancroft 3	3 -	-	
Danny Bowers 26		1	1
Owen Brown 1			
Tony Cliss 11			-
Steve Craven 21		1	1
Clive Evans 26	2	1	1
Dave Goodwin 4			4
Stephen Hanlon 6			3
Nigel Hart 9		-	
Sean Haslegrave 27	7 2	1	-
Steve Jones		-	3
Stuart Metcalfe 3		• *	-
Tony Moore15	5 2		
Mark Palios12	- 2	1	3
Bernard Purdie 14	1 2	1	3
Neil Salathiel21		1	-
Bob Scott27		1	
Steve Smith27	2	1	
Mel Sutton 13		1	
Nigel Walker	1 -		
Dave Waller1	7 -	1	-
Billy Wright	3 -		
Scorers Leag	ue Ļ.C.	F.A.	
Paul Bancroft	3 -		
Tony Cliss		-	
Steve Craven		-	
Clive Evans		-	
Steve Jones			
Tony Moore	2 -		3
Mark Palios		1	
Bob Scott			
Mel Sutton	-		
Nigel Walker1		-	
Dave Waller 6	•		
Billy Wright 1		-	
Opponents2		-	
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SPORTS QUIZ

Answers to the questions in the Bury programme:

Garrincha was known as the little bird.

2. Maurice Lindley, Maurice Wadkins and Peter Robinson all served the Alex in the capacity of Secretary.

Paul Hince was known to his colleagues as Scoop.

- 4. Coventry play at Highfield Road, Newport County at Somerton Park and Torquay United at Plainmoor.
- The Lauberhorn Race is held in Wengen in Switzerland and is a Downhill race in ski-ing.

6. Craig Madden of Bury was the leading scorer in the Fourth Division last season.

This afternoon's Questions:

1. What was unusual in the meetings of Newport County and Everton in this season's Cup Competitions.

What disciplinary action did the Alliance Premier League take against Weymouth recently.

3. When Roy Gater played for the Alex what was his nickname.

4. If you alighted at Putney Bridge or Hammersmith Broadway stations which would be your nearest ground.

Where will the 1984 Winter Olympic Games be held.

6. What sport would you be watching if you went to Newton Abbot, Haydock Park or Market Rasen.



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AS IT HAPPENED

BY ROY GREER Crewe Chronicle

30 YEARS AGO... After giving two excellent displays away from home, Crewe disappointed their supporters at Gresty Road when they had a terrific struggle to gain one point from Carlisle, who they had previously beaten in September. The match ended 2-2 but things did not go well for Crewe for, after an indifferent opening, they lost left back Tommy Briggs with a leg injury. Briggs resumed in the second half on the wing but the side was badly disorganised. Twentyman (6 mins.) and Ashman (55) scored for Carlisle and Johnny King (12) and Billy Mould (87) for Crewe. Crewe Alex: Kelly, Mould, Briggs, Meaney, Lees, Murphy, McGuigan, Mitchison, Basford, King, Blunstone. Carlisle: McLaren, Hill, Scott, Stockoe, Twentyman, Waters, Harrison, Whitehouse, Ashman, Duffret, Bond. Attendance 7,050.

20 YEARS AGO ... The cold spell continued and already Crewe had had eight first team and five reserve matches postponed to provide fixture chaos once the weather improved. The freeze-up, which began on December 22nd, had caused 385 League and Cup games to be called off. The F.A. extended the season to May 18th to ease the clubs difficulties in re-arranging fixtures.

10 YEARS AGO ... Beaten 1-0 at home by Stockport County, Crewe slipped nearer the bottom four, plunging to their third successive odd goal defeat in a sequence which had seen them win only once and glean five points from nine games. Crewe had striker Grea Fellows, on loan from Aston Villa, making his debut. Stockport stole the points with an 81st minute goal by the bustling John Griffiths when Crewe failed to get the ball away during a furious melee in front of their goal. Crewe Alex: Crudgington, Lowry, Kelley, Bradshaw, Nicholls, Gillett, Wain, Nicholl, Fellows, Humphreys, Riley. Sub. Robinson. Stockport County: Ogley, Collier, Ormrod, Spratt, Hart, Fogarty, Garbett, Broomfield, Griffiths, Lawther, Davidson. Sub. Bingham.

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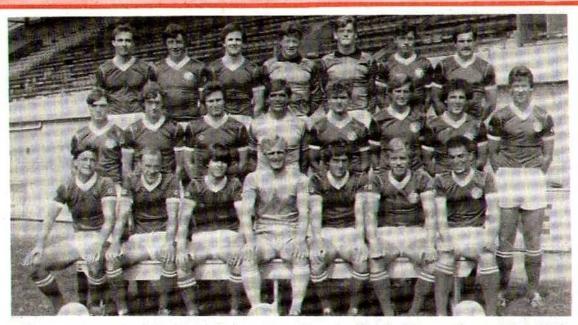
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Delve into your record books and you will discover that in season 1968/69 our visitors won the Football League Cup at Wembley, won promotion to Division II of the Football League, their supporters won the title of the best supporters in the country and they also visited Gresty Road for the first ever time. That particular meeting took place on Good Friday, 4th April, 1969 and before Crewe's best home gate of the season they won an exciting game 2-1. The attendance of 9,053 was the best at Gresty Road and the respective lineups were: Crewe - Mailey, Gannon, Leigh, Stott, Foster, Gater, Curley, McHale, Inglis, Tarbuck, Ratcliffe. Hollett sub for Ratcliffe. Swindon Town - Downsborough, Thomas, Trollope, Butler, Burrows, Harland, Heath, Smart, Smith, Noble, Rogers. Sub Jones not used. Scorers: Crewe - McHale pen. Swindon Town - Noble, Smith. The return encounter took place at Swindon on 19th April, 1969 before an attendance of 19,897 and once more it was a closely contested game, the home side eventually winning 1-0 in the 74th minute. Teams on that occasion were Crewe - Mailey, Gater, Leigh, Arnold, Foster, Gannon, McHale, Inglis, Stott, Tarbuck, Bradshaw. Swindon Town - Downsborough, Dawson, Thomas, Butler, Burrows, Harland, Heath, Smart, Smith, Noble, Rogers, Sub. Penman for Heath. It will be seen that in both games Tommy Lowry was missing from our lineup; unfortunately he was out injured and the Foster who played in the No. 5 spot was Winston Foster who came on loan from Birmingham City and who later joined Plymouth Argyle.

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Who's who at . . .

The County Ground

JOHN TROLLOPE the Manager of Swindon Town was appointed in November, 1980 after serving the club as a player between 1960 and 1980 and during that time had set up a record of 770 appearances; he has already been awarded the M.B.E. for his services to football. Assisting him is KEN BEAMISH whose official title is that of Coach but he is also available as a player. A very experienced player having been with Tranmere Rovers twice, Brighton, Blackburn, Bury and Port Vale. JIM ALLAN. Was signed from Scottish Junior football in 1970 and has held the No. 1 spot since 1976 and is now the longest serving player in the side with over 300 appearances. KEVIN BADDELEY. Born in Swindon he was an apprentice at Bristol City and joined Swindon in July, 1981. Can play in either of the full back positions but more often plays on the left side. COLIN BAILIE. A promising young full back who signed full time forms last season after completing his apprenticeship. MIKE GRAHAM. His career started with Bolton Wanderers and made 46 appearances for the Lancashire side. He joined Swindon in the Summer of 1981 and made 30 league appearances for them last season, mainly in the centre of the defence. CHARLIE HENRY. He too came through the apprentice ranks and became a full time player in February, 1980 and made his first team debut in September 1980. Had made a total of 69 appearances up to the end of last season. RUSSELL LEWIS. Born Blaengwynfi and came to Swindon from Welsh football in 1976. A wholehearted tough tackling player he spent several seasons in the reserve side before making the breakthrough in one of the full back positions. GARY WILLIAMS. Played for Tranmere Rovers as an amateur but his professional career started with Djurgarden of Stockholm where he played for several seasons. His next club was Blackpool and came to Swindon in August, 1982. LEIGH BARNARD. Joined Portsmouth as an apprentice and spent several seasons with them making his league debut in 1977. Made approx 90 appearances for the Fratton Park side before moving to Swindon in July 1982. PAUL BATTY. Another player who has come through the apprentice ranks and is waiting for his first team debut. ROY CARTER. After playing part time football with Falmouth he joined Hereford United in 1975 and was transferred to Swindon in December 1977. A complete utility player who has occupied every one of the outfield positions with Swindon. Has made 200 appearances for the club. GARY EMMANUEL. His career started with Birmingham City and played 71 games in the 1st Division before his transfer to Bristol Rovers in Dec., 1978. Came to Swindon in an exchange deal during the 1981 close season and always gives all action displays. BRIAN HUGHES. Has been a full time player since 1980 and although lightly built has considerable potential. HOWARD PRITCHARD. Born in Cardiff he served his apprenticeship with Bristol City making his league debut in August 1978. Stayed with Bristol for three seasons moving to Swindon in July 1981. Normally plays as an orthodox winger favouring the right side. PAUL RIDEOUT. He was the regular centre forward for the England boys for two seasons and was signed as a full time player when he was only 17. Has the ability to score goals both with regularity and from the half chance. A player with a tremendous future in the game. JIMMY QUINN. Came from Oswestry Town in December 1981 after a months trial. Has already played in their league side and can best be described as an old fashioned type of centre forward. ANDY ROWLAND. He was an apprentice at Derby County but was unable to make their first team and then went to Bury. Was three times the leading scorer at Gigg Lane and went to Swindon in September 1978. Has now made over 300 league appearances in his career.





Gresty Gleanings

As many of our supporters will have read in the local press, as the result of the response we had had for triallists, Sunday, the 30th January was selected as the most convenient date we could arrange. Little did we expect that the weather conditions would be as adverse as they turned out to be.

Out of the 50 who had been invited to come along, 34 actually arrived and had not some others had the misfortune to have a mechanical breakdown in their car, they would also have been able to take part. They made a valiant effort to get here even by using the train but this had to be abandoned and we shall most certainly invite them to come when we hold our next trials.

As we had hoped several of those who attended have been invited along for further assessments to be made, indeed we are hoping that a midfield player from the Warrington area will have played in our Lancashire League side at Oldham before this afternoon's game commences. Others who took the eye were a young full back from Winsford, a left back and a goalkeeper from the Liverpool area and also a fifteen year old centre forward from the Crewe area. Several of these will be invited to train with the other players on the staff so that we can see how they react to this and then the next stage will be to see them in a competitive game at the earliest opportunity.

Braving those conditions at Dane Bank we are extremely grateful to all those who gave us their assistance, to Pat Slack, Paul McCann and John Fleet and last but not least Ros Welch who was responsible for the warm refreshment after the trials had taken place.

Finally a reminder that you can still book places on the coach to Mansfield next week.



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SEASON 1956/57

Having been re-elected at the Annual Meeting of the league various changes were made. Maurice Lindley became Secretary/Manager, Gordon Hill and Doug Irvine resign from the Board and Dr. Turner announced that he does not seek re-election. Various signings were made including Harold Mosby from Scunthorpe and Brian Keating from Barry and outwards went Peter Ellson to Runcorn and Jimmy McGuigan to Rochdale. There was an air of controversy around the cancellation of the contract of David Jones an 18 year old from the Wirral who then signed for Birmingham City, another Jones, Jones G. R. to become better known as Dick Jones from Holyhead. In February Arthur Rowley came from Wrexham and Don Whiston from Stoke City. They went 30 games without a win to break a record which had stood since 1898/99 and by winning their final away game at Southport eneded a spell of 21/4 years without an away win. The final game against Mansfield Town was a goal feast 6-4 in Crewe's favour but they still finished in the bottom spot and had to apply once more for re-election.

APPEARANCES AND SCORERS

Brennan, M.	1	Kay, J.	6
Broomfield, T.	1	Keating, B.	4
Burns, F.	15	Leaver, D.	19
Callaghan, C.	2	Morgan, T.	5
Campbell, R.	4 .	Mosby, H.	40
Capel, M.	1	Mountford, D.	24
Carty, S.	1	Park, B.	44
Connor, J.	29	Precious, D.	6
Curzon, T.	1	Rolfe, J.	43
Davey, S.	1	Rowley, A.	14
Docherty, H.	2	Shaw, S.	19
Edwards, L.	21	Smith, S.	27
Evans, D.	2	Spridgeon, D.	8
Franklin, N.	41	Tomkinson, H.	19
Griffiths, G.	23	Ward, J.	9
Harrison, H.	2	Ward, J. S.	3
Jameson, A.	4	Whiston, D.	14
Jones, D.	10	Williams, B.	46
Jones, G. R.	15		

Scorers:

Mountford 7, Connor 4, Mosby 4, Leaver 4, Rowley 4, Rolfe 3, Shaw 3, Griffiths 3, Burns 3, Jameson 2, Whiston 2, Jones, David 2, Tomkinson 1, Franklin 1, Opponents 1.

F.A. Cup appearances:

Callaghan 1, Connor 2, Franklin 2, Griffiths 2, Leaver 2, Mosby 2, Mountford 1, Park 2, Rolfe 2, Smith 1, Tomkinson 2, Ward J. 1, Williams 2.

F.A. Cup scorers:

Connor 2, Williams 1.

RESULTS

	Н	A
Accrington	3-4	0-5
Barrow	1-1	0-3
Bradford P.A.	2-0	3-4
Bradford C	1-0	1-5
Carlisle Utd.	2-2	1-2
Chester	0-0	1-4
Chesterfield	0-4	0-2
Darlington	1-3	0-3
Derby County	2-5	0-4
Gateshead	0-3	1-1
Halifax Town	1-3	0-1
Hartlepools Utd.	1-2	0-2
Hull City	2-3	0-2
Mansfield Town	6-4	1-2
Oldham Athletic	- 2-2	0-2
Rochdale	1-6	1-1
Scunthorpe Utd.	2-1	1-5
Southport	0-0	1-0
Stockport	0-1	0-2
Tranmere Rovers	0-0	0-3
Workington	0-1	0-4
Wrexham	3-0	0-5
York City	1-1	1-2
Wrexham FA1	2-2	
Wrexham FA1 (R)		1-2

FINAL LEAGUE TABLE SEASON 1956/57

	P	W	D	L	F	A Pts	
1 Derby	46	26	11	9	111	53 63	
2 Hartlepools	46	25	9	12	90	63 59	
3 Accrington	46	25	8	13	95	64 58	
4 Workington	46	24	10	12	93	63 58	
5 Stockport	46	23	8	15	91	75 54	
6 Chesterfield	46	22	9	15	96	79 53	
7 York	46	21	10	15	75	61 52	
8 Hull	46	21	10	15	84	69 52	
9 Bradford City	46	22	8	16	78	68 52	
10 Barrow	46	21	9	16	76	62 51	
11 Halifax	46	21	7	18	65	70 49	
12 Wrexham	46	19	10	17	97	74 48	
13 Rochdale	46	18	12	16	65	65 48	
14 Scunthorpe		-	1000			69 45	
15 Carlisle	46	16	13	17	76	85 45	
16 Mansfield	46	17	10	19	91	90 44	
17 Gateshead	46	17	10	19	72	90 44	
18 Darlington	46	17	8	21	82	95 42	
19 Oldham	46	12	15	19	66	74 39	
20 Bradford PA	46	16	3	27	66	93 35	
21 Chester	46	10	13	23	55	84 33	
22 Southport	46	10	12	24	52	94 32	
23 Tranmere	46	7	13	26	51	91 27	
24 Crewe	46	6	9	31	43	110 21	

Lancs. League

1982	F	.A.
Aug.	28 Oldham H 1	-3
Sept.	4 BlackpoolA P	
Sept.	18 Chorley A 4	-4
Sept.	25 Formby	-1
Oct.	2 Oldham A 3	-4
Oct.	9 Blackburn A 0	-3
Oct.	16 Blackpool H 0	
Oct.	23 Wigan A P	ost.
Nov.	6 Blackburn H 2	-3
Nov.	27 Chorley H P	ost.
Dec.	4 Wigan H P	ost.
Dec.	11 Formby A 1	-0
1983		
Jan.	8 Chorley	0
Jan.	15 Blackburn A P	ost.
Jan.	22 Blackpool	ost.
Jan.	29 Oldham A P	ost.
Feb.	5 BlackpoolA	
Feb.	12 Oldham H	
Mar.	5 Wigan	
Mar.	12 Wigan	
Mar.	19 Chorley	
Mar.	26 ¥Formby	
Apr.	9 Blackburn H	
Apr.	30 Formby	
Jan.	22 Congleton CSC I H 2	-4

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Sept.	11 Bury
Sept.	13 Tranmere R. MC1 (2L) A
Sept.	17 COLCHESTER UNITED H
Sept.	25 Swindon Town
Sept.	29 Hartlepool United A
Oct	1 MANSFIELD TOWN
0-4	8 ROCHDALE
Oct	8 ROCHDALEH 16 Hereford UnitedA
Oct	19 AldershotA
Oct	22 PORT VALE
Oct	29 Halifax TownA
Nov	2 YORK CITY
Nov	6 BlackpoolA
Nov	12 SCUNTHORPE UNITED H
Nov	20 Boston United FA 1 A
Dec	3 TORQUAY UNITEDH
Dec.	10 Stockport CountyA
Dec	17 HULL CITY
Dec	28 PETERBOROUGH UNITED H
1983	28 PETERBOROUGH UNITED H
Jan	1 Tranmere Rovers A
Jan	3 STOCKPORT COUNTY H
Jan	8 Darlington (FA 3)
Jan	15 CHESTER
Jan	21 Colchester UtdA
Jan	29 BURY (FA 4)H
Feb	5 SWINDON TOWN H
Feb	12 Mansfield Town A
Feb	15 ALDERSHOT
Feb	19 Rochdale (FA 5)
Feb	26 HEREFORD UNITED H
Mar	1 York City A
Mar	5 Port Vale
Mar	11 HALIFAX TOWN (FA 6)H
Mar Mar	19 BLACKPOOL
	25 Scunthorpe United A 2 Peterborough Utd A
Apr	4 NORTHAMPTON T H
Apr	9 Torquay UnitedA
Apr	15 HARTLEPOOL UTD. FA Semi H
Apr	23 Hull CityA
Apr	26 Wimbledon A
Apr	30 WIMBLEDON H
May	
May	7 Bristol City
May	21 FA Cup Final

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Next Visitors to Gresty Road

Tuesday, 15th February: Fourth Div. v Aldershot Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, 26th February: Fourth Div. v Hereford Utd. Kick-off 3.00 p.m.



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MEET THE REFEREE

KEITH HACKETT from Sheffield commenced refereeing in 1960 in Sheffield and then via the Yorkshire and Northern Premier Leagues progressed to the Football League Line and full list. Has refereed in Northern Premier Cup Finals and lined the 1975 Boys Club Final at Wembley. Also lined for the Finland v Iceland game in 1976, refereed the 1978 Debenhams Cup match. Was the senior linesman for the F.A. Cup Final in 1979, has refereed two Football League Cup Semi-Finals and an F.A. Cup Semi-Final in 1980 and also refereed the 1981 F.A. Cup Final. Married with two sons, he is a sales Manager and his interests are caravanning, all sports and gardening.

Commercial Corner

In some areas of the town we have now started door to door canvassing in a major effort to increase the sales of our popular lottery so that we can continue to give the maximum support to Peter Morris in his team rebuilding efforts. If we could get back somewhere near to our sales in 1979 we would indeed be very happy. As it is, any increase, however small is a step in the right direction. If you can help us in any way possible either contact me or the Club Secretary Gill Palin.

The Alexandra Club itself has seen a major refurbishing exercise carried out and we have tried to create a family atmosphere and we are sure that we are succeeding in this direction. Membership of the club has shown a steady increase and the various functions which we have held there particularly at weekends have been well supported. If any member is thinking of having a function of any sort why not see what we can offer you.

Monday, 14th February is the date of our Sportsmen's Dinner at the Alexandra Club and tickets are now in short supply. Derek Dougan will be the principal guest Speaker and Comedian Don Reid in support. Please contact us if you require any of these remaining tickets, these are priced at £10 each.

FRED O'BRIEN

Supporters' News

Today I, as Chairman of the Supporters' Association, make the following appeal to all Alex Supporters: "May I through this column appeal to supporters of Crewe Alexandra Football Club to come and help the Supporters' Association raise funds which will go to help the parent club.

We have during the past year donated £10,000 plus paying for a new tannoy system, sponsored kit and match balls and are hoping to give more than £10,000 this year which will help the club to survive and we hope prosper. We could do far more if we could recruit more agents to sell our lottery tickets, and tickets and returns can either be collected or delivered.

We feel sure supporters are pleased with the work being done by our Manager, Peter Morris and the backing which is being given him from the Directors. Let us, the supporters show we are willing to do our part, so may we ask you to start selling tickets for us - start with ten and you will find them easy to sell. Contact us at 131 Edleston Road, Crewe or telephone 255206 or contact Fred O'Brien at the Pools Office at the ground."

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TEAM CHECK

CREWE ALEXANDRA

Scarlet shirts, white shorts

- STEVE SMITH
- TONY MOORE
- DANNY BOWERS
- NIGEL HART
- **BOB SCOTT**
- STEVE EDWARDS
- SEAN HASLEGRAVE
- PAUL BANCROFT
- DAVE WALLER
- NIGEL WALKER
- 11 TONY CLISS

Officials

Referee: K. S. Hackett (Sheffield)

Linesmen: K. J. Breen (Maghull)

Red Flag A. W. Smith (Rubery) Yellow Flag

Alexandra Club

Crewe's Top Cabaret Night Spot

Late Bars Friday and Saturday First Class Bar Meals available

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

SATURDAY, 5th FEBRUARY

SHEL McRAE

ex lead singer with the Fortunes

SWINDON TOWN

Yellow shirts, blue shorts

- JIM ALLAN
- RAY BAVERSTOCK
- COLIN BAILIE
- GARY EMMANUEL
- **RUSSELL LEWIS**
- HOWARD PRITCHARD MIKE GRAHAM
- PAUL BATTY
- PAUL RIDEOUT
- ANDY ROWLAND
- **LEIGH BARNARD**

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