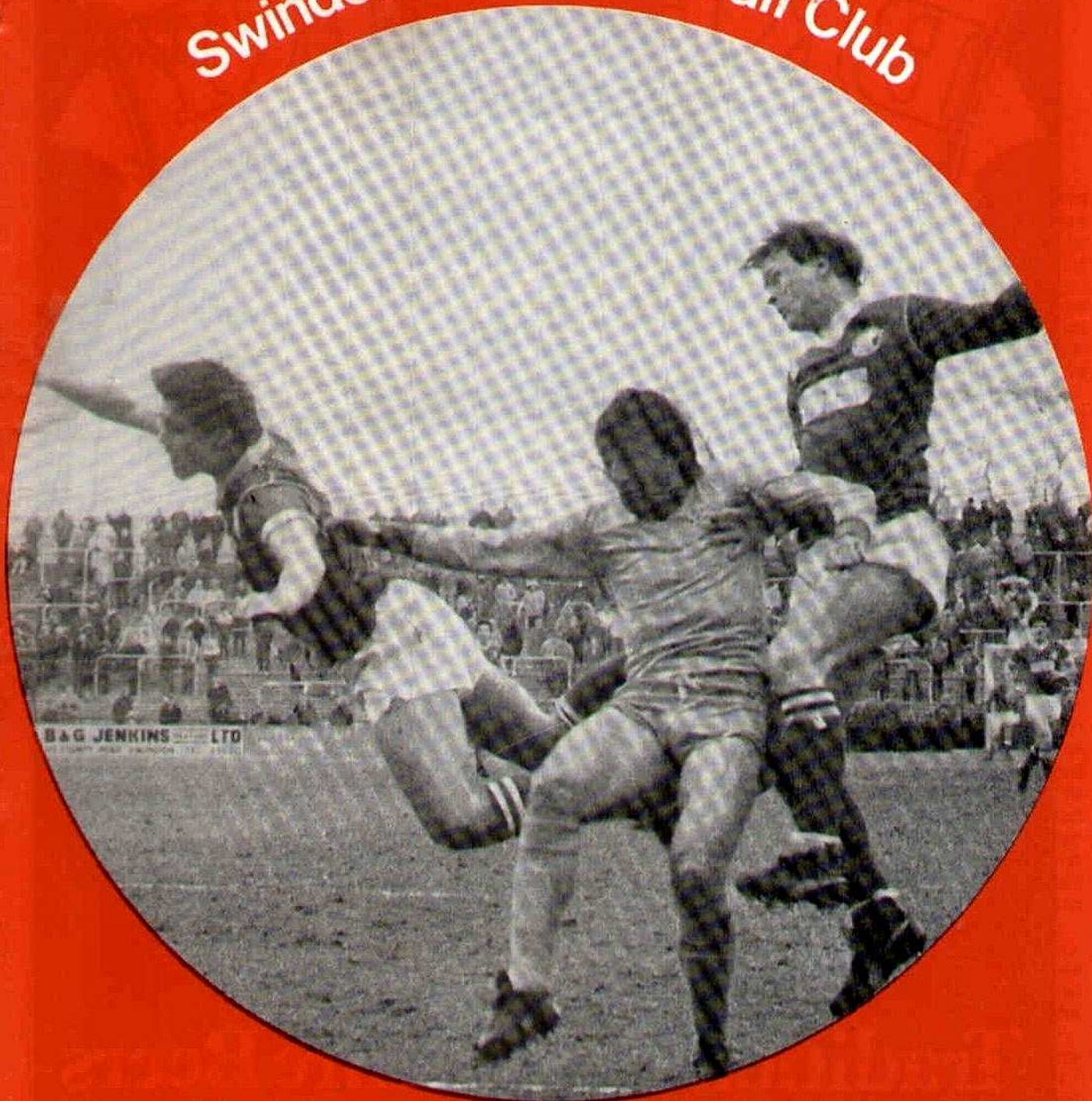




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Talk of the Town by the Chairman

Today's game is important as it could have a bearing on the subsequent outcome of the Fourth Division championship. Unfortunately we are no longer in contention, but I am sure that Hull City will remember our visit to them earlier in the season when we held them to a draw after having to play the second half with ten men.

Hull City have experienced over many years the ups and downs of the Football League and have had their share of the financial problems that beset most clubs of today. Their stadium is worthy of top class football and was one of the grounds chosen to present some of the World Cup series in 1966.

The Football League today is in the process of negotiating a contract that will bring more money into the game either through an arrangement with the Television Companies or the latest idea of video films, a system which entails screening our games in Pubs, Clubs and institutions that would be interested. I think that most people would prefer to watch football on television to having to go to public places to watch it, but the League Clubs feel very strongly that we have sold our game too cheaply for too long and now we have come to the crossroads.

At the same time clubs are considering ways and means of reorganising the different divisions in an attempt to present a more entertaining structure to the leagues. How far this will be possible will depend on the individual clubs and their willingness for change. If the existing rules are changed to allow each club to keep its own gate money instead of having to pay to the visiting club 30p for every adult and 15p for every juvenile, then clubs will be able to make changes such as encouraging the young future supporters to come to games, which they now cannot afford. The income to clubs, of course, must be maintained but each club would plan according to its own income. If we are to keep to the high standards which we would all like to attain, then we must find sufficient income to pay our way, without getting involved in extravagancies that we cannot afford. We are all looking for a benefactor such as the recent happening at Minehead, which will enable the club to start without debts again, but until that day comes we must all work hard for our club.

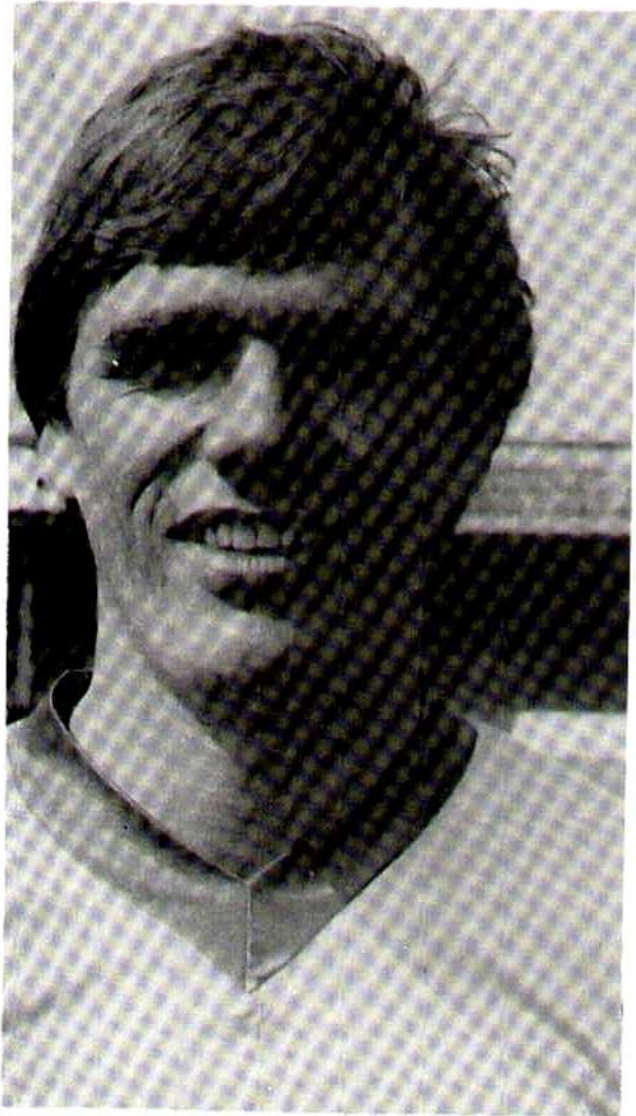
We have had several short discussions at the club between some of our supporters and members of our Board to try and understand one another's points of view. We feel that it is much better to meet and discuss than to write to the local paper and get only one side of the picture.

Recently, Clive King our local sports writer, rang me to ask if there was any truth in the rumour that Paul Rideout was going to Newcastle and I truthfully told him that we knew nothing about it and that he was not leaving us which Clive King correctly reported, but it did not stop someone twisting this truth around and when the day does come when we all know and hope that young Paul gets his opportunity to play at the top, then I expect that this person will say "I told you so".

If anyone would like to join in at a discussion group, write in and we will arrange for a suitable date and time.

Our match sponsors for today are Mr Lamont Park-Isis Construction, Mark Jowes from Calne is the mascot, and the ball donor is Mr Bruce Buxton of The Mariners Arms, Braunton, North Devon.

From the desk of Ken Beamish



My appointment as Caretaker Team Manager being of a temporary nature at this moment of time, is obviously creating a great deal of more pressure upon me than perhaps if the position had been on a more permanent basis for I have to prove myself in a relatively short period of five week's. However, I can readily understand the thinking behind this decision and relish the prospect of challenge, indeed I am enjoying it immensely.

So far the results have gone very well, drawing two very difficult games away at York and Wimbledon, winning at home to Aldershot and losing away to Peterborough, the latter game displaying fight and character by our players in coming back from a 4 - 1 deficit at half time to 4 - 3, a game we could quite easily have won ultimately.

I took over after a very indifferent sequence of results and my first objective was to halt the number of goals we were conceding, in other words to stop the losing ways because losing can easily become as much a habit as winning. In this to date, I consider I have been reasonably successful. Once the losing sequence has been overcome and confidence restored it is my intention to look at the entertainment side of the game, an aspect the players have well proved they are capable of providing.

We have a string of home fixtures before us and hopefully we can build upon those excellent away performances and bring back both entertainment and favourable results to the County Ground.

KEY OF THE BOARD

A	Blackpool v Bristol City	K	Manchester City v West Ham Utd
B	Chester v Northampton	L	Norwich v Sunderland
C	Darlington v Torquay	M	Notts County v Luton
D	Hereford v Wimbledon	N	Southampton v Liverpool
E	Mansfield v Tranmere	O	Swansea v Stoke
F	Port Vale v Aldershot	P	Tottenham H. v Ipswich
G	Rochdale v Stockport	Q	Watford v Nottm. Forest
H	Brighton v Sheffield Wed.	R	Bristol Rovers v Preston N.E.
I	Manchester Utd v Arsenal	S	Doncaster v Oxford Utd
J	Coventry v Birmingham	T	Reading v Gillingham



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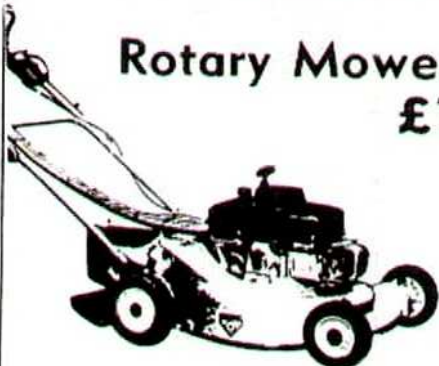
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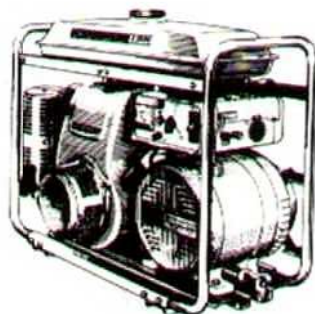
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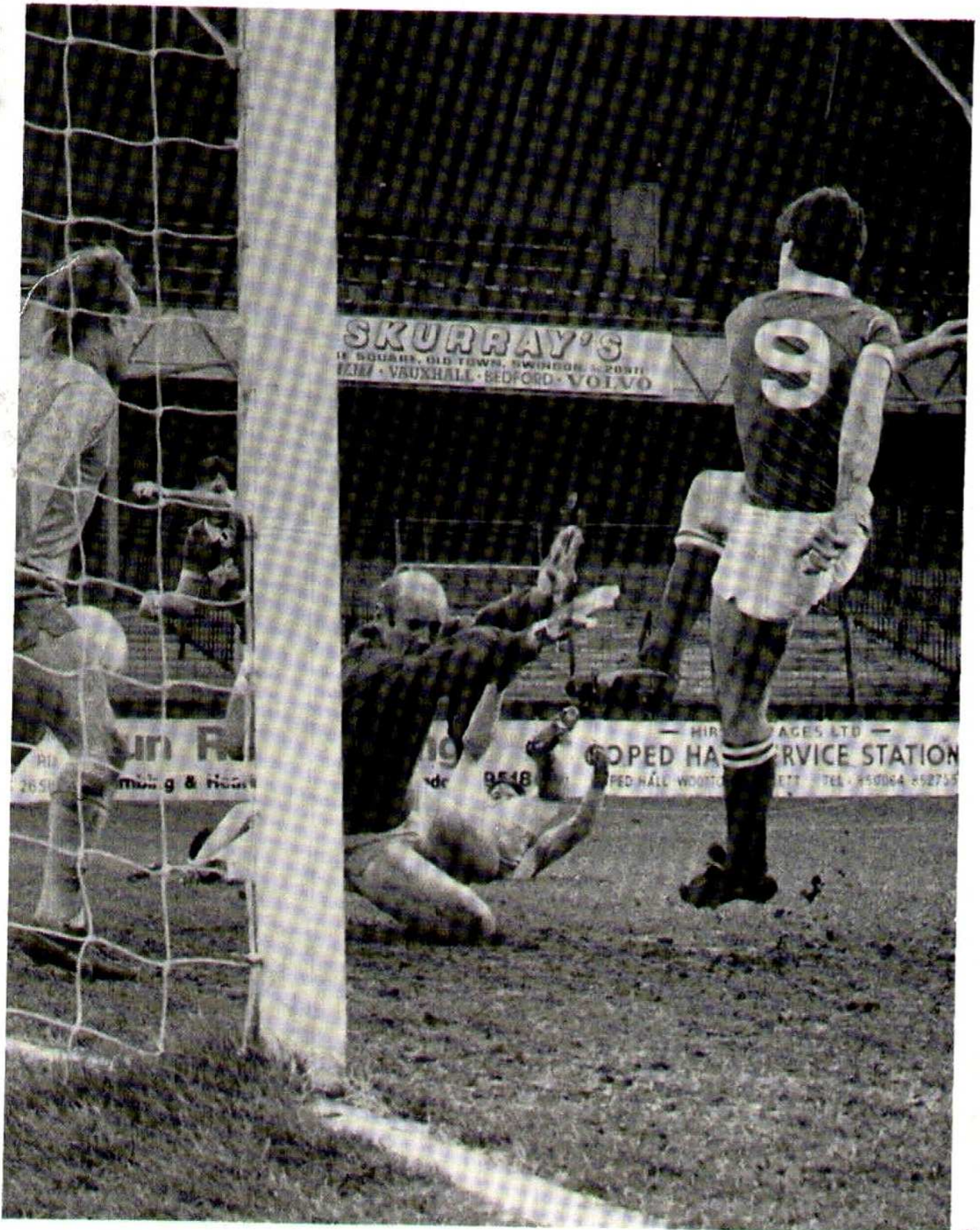
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Picture Parade...

BY DAVE EVANS



Paul Rideout (No. 9) has his shot cleared off the Aldershot goal line but the ball ran loose to Colin Bailie (out of picture) to fire home the Town's second goal at the County Ground on Easter Monday.

HULL CITY

TONY NORMAN (Goalkeeper) Signed from Burnley in February 1980. Consistent form has kept Tony in the side for the majority of his time with us and has made him a favourite with the fans.

DENNIS BOOTH (Defender) Joined the Tigers from Watford in May 1980, having played for Charlton Athletic, Blackpool, Southend and Lincoln City. Was Captain of Watford in their successful promotion side a few seasons ago. A great character who is very popular with the supporters.

DALE ROBERTS (Defender) Signed from Ipswich Town in 1980. Gained F. A. Youth Cup Winners medal in 1973 and 1975 and was a member of the England Youth Team that won the 1975 Mini World Cup. Having got over a nasty ankle injury, he became a regular member of the First Team for the majority of last season.

STEVE McCLAREN (Midfield) Joined the Tigers as an apprentice and graduated through the Junior and Reserve sides to occupy a regular position in the midfield. A creative player who often finds the scoring touch.

BRIAN MARWOOD (Midfield) Another product of our Youth Policy. A very talented, hard-working player who enjoys a role on the wing. Had a scoring burst at the end of last season which we hope will continue this season.

GARRETH ROBERTS (Midfield) A local lad whose determination makes him a favourite with the crowd. Occupied a regular position in the First Team although he was unfortunately plagued by injury.



Back Row (Left to Right)
Dale Roberts, Neil Thompson, Pete Skipper, Tony Norman, Les Mutrie, Joh Davie, Steve Richards
Front Row (Left to Right)
Bobby McNeil, Brian Marwood, Steve McClaren, Garreth Roberts, Dennis Booth, Billy Askew.

DIVISION FOUR LEAGUE TABLE - Up to and including Tuesday 12 Apr 1983

	Home				Away				Pts	G/D	League Gates					
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D			L	F	A	Avge.	Lowest	Highest
1. HULL CITY	40	13	7	1	45	12	9	6	4	23	18	79	+38	6,847	3,674	15,615
2. Port Vale	39	13	4	2	32	11	10	5	5	28	17	78	+32	4,556	2,761	8,241
3. Wimbledon	38	13	4	2	44	21	9	6	4	29	19	76	+33	2,225	1,604	3,400
4. Bury	41	13	4	3	40	17	8	7	6	29	23	74	+29	2,848	1,796	4,748
5. Colchester Utd.	40	14	5	1	42	17	6	4	10	19	30	69	+14	2,558	1,625	3,759
6. Scunthorpe Utd.	38	10	6	3	30	12	8	7	4	26	18	67	+26	3,650	1,309	7,483
7. York City	39	15	3	1	52	18	3	7	10	22	34	64	+22	2,868	1,632	7,097
8. SWINDON TOWN	38	11	2	4	35	17	4	8	9	14	24	55	+8	4,269	2,815	8,164
9. Mansfield Town	40	10	4	6	25	22	5	6	9	24	36	55	-9	2,330	1,293	4,516
10. Peterborough Utd.	38	11	5	4	31	19	3	7	8	15	19	54	+8	2,913	1,661	4,235
11. Torquay Utd.	38	11	3	6	34	25	4	3	11	13	29	51	-7	2,430	1,537	3,842
12. Chester	40	7	5	8	25	21	6	5	9	26	31	49	-1	1,890	1,114	4,056
13. Halifax Town	39	8	5	6	26	19	5	4	11	22	35	48	-6	2,138	912	5,011
14. Stockport County	40	9	8	3	37	29	3	4	13	19	44	48	-17	2,187	1,621	3,673
15. Bristol City	40	8	7	5	26	21	2	9	9	22	39	46	-12	4,659	3,041	9,002
16. Blackpool	39	9	8	3	26	16	3	3	13	16	36	45†	-10	3,133	1,747	4,519
17. Northampton Town	40	9	7	5	40	27	2	4	13	14	40	44	-13	2,661	1,706	7,494
18. Tranmere Rovers	40	8	6	6	28	26	4	2	14	17	40	44	-21	1,919	1,086	5,245
19. Darlington	39	6	5	8	20	22	5	5	10	29	36	43	-9	1,502	952	3,131
20. Aldershot	40	8	5	7	26	29	1	10	9	18	37	42	-22	1,967	1,400	5,087
21. Hartlepool Utd.	40	10	5	5	25	18	1	3	16	13	47	41	-27	1,447	947	3,337
22. Rochdale	38	9	7	3	32	19	0	6	13	12	38	40	-13	1,671	1,003	3,207
23. Crewe Alexandra	40	8	5	7	32	29	2	3	15	15	33	38	-15	2,243	1,404	4,713
24. Hereford Utd.	40	7	6	7	17	18	3	2	15	20	47	38	-28	2,229	1,294	3,548

† Two points deducted

MULL CITY



Pete Skipper, Tony Norman, Les Mutrie, Joh Davies, Billy Whitehurst, Ian Davis,

Steve McClaren, Garreth Roberts, Dennis Booth, Gary Swann, Andy Flounders,

E - Up to and including Tuesday 12 Apr 1983

F - A	Away			Pts	G/D	League Gates			Top Goalscorers (incl. FA Cup/Milk Cup only)	
	W	D	L			Avg.	Lowest	Highest		
45 - 12	9	6	4	23 - 18	79	+38	6,847	3,674	15,615	Brian Marwood 17, Andy Flounders 13
32 - 11	10	5	5	28 - 17	78	+32	4,566	2,761	8,241	Bob Newton 17, Ernie Moss 11
44 - 21	9	6	4	29 - 19	76	+33	2,225	1,604	3,400	John Leslie 22, Stewart Evans 13
40 - 17	8	7	6	29 - 23	74	+29	2,848	1,796	4,748	Craig Madden 19
42 - 17	6	4	10	19 - 30	69	+14	2,558	1,625	3,759	Ian Allinson 19, Tony Adcock 15
30 - 12	8	7	4	26 - 18	67	+26	3,650	1,309	7,483	Steve Cammack 19, Paul O'Berg 9
52 - 18	3	7	10	22 - 34	64	+22	2,868	1,632	7,097	Keith Walwyn 22, Brian Pollard 15
35 - 17	4	8	9	14 - 24	55	+8	4,269	2,815	8,164	PAUL RIDEOUT 20, ANDY ROWLAND 19
25 - 22	5	6	9	24 - 36	55	-9	2,330	1,293	4,516	John Dungworth 17, Colin Caldwell 9
31 - 19	3	7	8	15 - 19	54	+8	2,913	1,661	4,235	Micky Gynn 19, Colin Clarke 11
34 - 25	4	3	11	13 - 29	51	-7	2,430	1,537	3,842	Steve Cooper 17
25 - 21	6	5	9	26 - 31	49	-1	1,890	1,114	4,056	John Thomas 19
26 - 19	5	4	11	22 - 35	48	-6	2,138	912	5,011	Dave Staniforth 13, Steve Spooner 8
37 - 29	3	4	13	19 - 44	48	-17	2,187	1,621	3,673	Mike Quinn 22, Mike Power 10
26 - 21	2	9	9	22 - 39	46	-12	4,659	3,041	9,002	Glyn Riley 15, Tom Ritchie 13
26 - 16	3	3	13	16 - 36	45†	-10	3,133	1,747	4,519	Dave Bamber 14
40 - 27	2	4	13	14 - 40	44	-13	2,661	1,706	7,494	Steve Massey 21, Dave Syrett 13
28 - 26	4	2	14	17 - 40	44	-21	1,919	1,086	5,245	Owen Brown 15, Barry Wellings 8*
20 - 22	5	5	10	29 - 36	43	-9	1,502	952	3,131	Alan Walsh 16
26 - 29	1	10	9	18 - 37	42	-22	1,967	1,400	5,087	Dale Banton 18, Howard Goddard 9
25 - 18	1	3	16	13 - 47	41	-27	1,447	947	3,337	Phil Linacre 7
32 - 19	0	6	13	12 - 38	40	-13	1,671	1,003	3,207	Micky French 7
32 - 29	2	3	15	15 - 33	38	-15	2,243	1,404	4,713	Dave Waller 13, Clive Evans 7
17 - 18	3	2	15	20 - 47	38	-28	2,229	1,294	3,548	Stewart Phillips 12

† Two points deducted

* Includes 6 for Rochdale

GARY SWANN (Midfield/Defence) Progressed through the Junior and Reserve sides to become a regular contender for First Team duty.

LES MUTRIE (Striker) Goalscoring ace who put 28 goals away last season. Formerly a non-league striker, he joined the Tigers in December 1980 from Blyth Spartans. Voted Player of the Year by the Supporters last season.

BILLY WHITEHURST (Striker) A powerful forward who works hard and unselfishly. Scored on 5 occasions last season.

ANDY FLOUNDERS (Striker) Has progressed through the Junior and Reserve sides and performed very capably when the First Team last season, scoring 4 goals.

PETE SKIPPER (Defender) This tall fair-haired defender left the club in 1980 to join Darlington, and re-joined the Tigers in August 1982. Whilst at Darlington, Pete captained the side and was voted the Player of the Season for 1980/81.

BILLY ASKEW (Midfield) Signed October 1982 after a period as a Non-Contract Player. This skilful left-sided player has also seen service with Middlesbrough.

From the Hull City Archives

by Paul Plowman

Hull City was once in the embarrassing position of having just been elected to the Football League, but having no ground to play on! The club had been formed in 1904 and for one season played only friendly matches, using Hull Rugby Football Club's Boulevard headquarters for their home fixtures. A number of League clubs were entertained and City also recorded a 10-3 victory over the Coldstream Guards who had journeyed all the way from Wellington Barracks in London. Inspired by their early successes, the club applied for election to the Second Division in May 1905 but were not at first accepted, Leeds City and Chelsea having gained more votes. Hull were granted a place, however, when the division was extended to twenty clubs, Clapton Orient, Stockport County and Burton United being the other successful candidates. But within weeks, City were told to vacate the Boulevard. The Northern Union Rugby League banned its members from sub-letting to clubs which charged admission prices and the 'Tigers' had to move to the Cricket Ground in Anlaby Road. City's opening game in the Football League was against Barnsley on September 1 1905 and their eleven lined-up as follows:

Spendiff; Langley, Jones; Martin, Robinson, Gordon; Rushton, Spencer, Wilson, Howe, Raisbeck.

The match ended in a comfortable 4-1 win for the Hull men. The opening goal came from Spence, the former Reading and Southampton man, while David Gordon - who was to stay with the club for nine years - scored twice. At right-back was manager Ambrose Langley, a former Wednesday player. He remained in charge at Hull until April 1913 when he handed over to another old Sheffield player, Harry Chapman. Forward George Rushton, the ex-Burslem Port Vale

man (pictured in our Port Vale programme earlier this season) was to sign for Swindon in 1907. It was in that year that Hull first obtained the services of the Cambridge University, Corinthians and England international E.G.D. (Gordon) Wright, who was attached to the Hymers College in the city. He served the club consistently from the wing until he emigrated to South Africa in 1913. Had matches been broadcasted in 1910/11, it would have been a commentator's nightmare if Hull City were featured - for they had on the payroll at that time three players by the name of Browell, three by the surname of Gordon and four Smiths! In addition to the aforementioned David Gordon, there were Don and Eddie, while the Browells were the three brothers, George, Andy and Tom, who came from the miners team at Walbottle. The four Smiths were Ernie, Wallace, Jacky and Joe (named 'Stanley' because he came from West Stanley in Durham). Tom Browell, although just seventeen years of age, was top goalscorer that season with sixteen. Had he, and City, scored more at home, the club might have won some of the ten matches at the Cricket Ground that ended in draws - and improved upon their final League position in 1909/10, when they failed to gain promotion to the First Division on goal average from Oldham Athletic. On February 21 1914 nineteen thousand arrived for the local 'derby' with Leeds City, a record at the time, but a few weeks later - on Easter Monday - the grandstand was burnt to the ground. Being only partially insured, the fire cost the club twice the £530 gate receipts taken at that match. City stayed at Anlaby Road until 1946. One of the last League games played there was against Carlisle on January 14 1939 and ended with Hull's highest ever win, 11-1.

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From the Commercial Office by Mike Lewis

Earlier this week a gift of £100,000 from an unnamed benefactor saved lowly Southern League Minehead from going out of business.

It is fortunate for the game of football that such incredible generosity exists even in these difficult times. However, it does prove quite conclusively that a strong depth of feeling still runs through the veins of the nation. Harnessed correctly the game can regain a stronger financial grip once more. Of course this is on the basis of people returning to watch the game in bigger numbers once more.

A number of clubs have nearly 'gone to the wall' in recent years but significantly none have, mainly due to fantastic last ditch fund raising activities. Our Fourth Division friends at Hartlepool are the latest club to hit dire problems.

Apart from support through the turnstiles it is the responsibility of the Commercial Department of clubs to raise the revenue to ensure that the finances stay in a healthy state.

Sponsorship and advertising are both important money raisers but the 'bread and butter' is obviously the lottery. Here we are in a fairly reasonable state with both of the lotteries we operate but further growth is essential if the club is to get back in the black and operate from a sound footing.

Amazingly, the solution is fairly simple, if 500 of you regular supporters sold just 50 lottery tickets each week not only would you earn yourselves a few bob but the weekly loss situation the club is currently facing would be resolved. HOW ABOUT IT?

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Date	Opponents	Score
1982		F - A
Aug 28	Southampton	A 0 - 0
Sep 8	Bristol Rovers	H 1 - 0
Sep 11	Swansea City	A 0 - 1
Sep 21	Chelsea	H 3 - 4
Sep 28	Birmingham City	A 0 - 3
Oct 5	Charlton Ath	H 4 - 0
Oct 12	Watford	H 2 - 1
Oct 18	Leicester City	A 1 - 4
Oct 26	Norwich City	H 0 - 0
Oct 30	Tottenham H	H 1 - 3
Nov 9	Reading	H 2 - 1
Nov 16	Fulham	A 1 - 2
Nov 20	Ipswich Town	A 2 - 2
Nov 30	Brighton & H.A.	H 3 - 2
Dec 7	Q.P.R.	A 1 - 6
Dec 14	C. Palace	H 2 - 3
Dec 18	West Ham Utd	A 1 - 1
Dec 21	Arsenal	A 0 - 0
1983		
Jan 11	Millwall	A 1 - 4
Jan 18	Southampton	H 1 - 1
Jan 25	Chelsea	A 0 - 4
Feb 1	Luton	H 3 - 3
Feb 8	Swansea City	H 1 - 2
Feb 15	Charlton A	A 0 - 3
Feb 19	Watford	A 0 - 4
Feb 22	Arsenal	H 0 - 5
Mar 1	Leicester City	H 3 - 2
Mar 9	Norwich City	A 3 - 0
Mar 15	Tottenham H	H 0 - 2
Mar 23	Reading	A 1 - 1
Mar 29	Fulham	H 2 - 1
Apr 6	Oxford Utd.	A 0 - 5
Apr 12	Millwall	H 0 - 0
Apr 18	Luton Town	A
Apr 23	Oxford Utd.	H
Apr 30	Brighton & Hove	A
May 3	Birmingham	H
May 5	Ipswich	H
May 10	West Ham	H
May 16	Bristol Rovers	A
May 19	Crystal Palace	A

Football Combination League Table as at 9.4.83

	Pld	Won	Dwn	Lost	Goals		Pts.
					For	Agst	
Queens Park Rangers	32	22	6	4	82	32	50
Tottenham Hotspur	36	21	7	8	77	44	49
West Ham Ukited	30	18	9	3	63	31	45
Ipswich Town	33	17	10	6	61	40	44
Watford	33	18	7	8	55	37	43
Arsenal	31	14	8	9	52	36	36
Chelsea	30	14	5	11	56	45	33
Swansea City	36	13	7	16	47	53	33
Fulham	32	12	6	14	41	41	30
Norwich City	28	8	11	9	30	36	27
Charlton Athletic	31	7	13	11	47	53	27
Millwall	31	7	13	11	46	54	27
Southampton	33	8	10	15	52	59	26
Luton Town	31	9	8	14	39	48	26
Oxford United	30	11	4	15	44	61	26
Birmingham City	27	11	3	13	34	48	25
Crystal Palace	31	8	9	14	38	55	25
Swindon Town	32	9	7	16	39	69	25
Leicester City	29	7	9	13	43	57	23
Bristol Rovers	28	7	8	13	43	62	22
Reading	29	8	5	16	42	53	21
Brighton & Hove A	31	6	9	16	39	55	21

JOHN TROLLOPE

Having re-assumed the responsibility for the Reserve Team and an involvement with the youth policy I am more than aware of the importance of this side of the club and what is required to make it successful, having previously been Youth Manager for two and a half years. I am sure that the future of this club rests with its Youth policy and in the first team squad at this time there are six lads who were with me during my earlier spell as Youth Manager. The flow of youth players must be maintained and we are hopeful that this aspect of the club will be continued when other economies will have to be made.

With regard to the Reserve side, the difficulty about this team is that, due to injuries and first team duties, the same players are not together from one game to the next but this competition gives us the opportunity to blood youngsters into a higher grade of football and assessing their potential for maybe becoming successful professionals.

As you can gather, I consider both teams of equal importance to this club and, in future programmes, I will acquaint you with their progress. If you wish to enjoy a more relaxed game then why not support the youngsters who play their games on the Shrivensham Road ground at 11.0 a.m. on Saturdays, the reserves playing on the County Ground on Tuesday afternoons.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES JUNIOR LEAGUE

Date	1982		1983		Home games in capitals	
	F	A	F	A		
Aug 28	Bristol Rovers	1	1	8 Chelsea	2	3
Sep 4	CAMBRIDGE UTD	2	0	22 Oxford Utd.	2	1
11	CHELSEA	3	2	29 Reading	3	1
18	CHARLTON ATH	4	2	19 Cambridge Utd.	0	4
Oct 2	Luton Town	2	3	26 West Ham Utd.	0	1
9	Oxford Utd	2	2	12 BRIGHTON & HOVE	2	1
16	READING	3	3	19 Southend Utd	4	3
23	SOUTHEND UTD	1	1	9 Brentford	2	3
30	Wimbledon	2	5	16 BRISTOL ROVERS		
Nov 13	TOTTENHAM H.	3	2	23 WIMBLEDON		
20	WEST HAM UTD	3	1	7 LUTON TOWN		
27	BRENTFORD	2	2			
4	Brighton & Hove	2	2			
18	Tottenham Hots.	4	3			

Town Facts & Figures Season 1982/83

Date 1982	Opponents	Att.	Score F - A	Allan	Henry	Baddeley	Emmanuel	Lewis	Graham	Pritchard	Hughes	Rideout	Rowland	Barnard	Carter	Baverstock	Quinn	Batty	Bailie	Blackler	Moore
Aug 28	Port Vale	3602	1-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Sep 31	Bristol Cit MC1(1)	3739	2-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	S1	2	S1				
Sep 8	Blackpool	3395	1-2	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		7	2	S1				
Sep 11	Hereford Utd	2478	2-1	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		8	2	S				
Sep 11	Halifax Town	3450	0-1	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Sep 14	Bristol City MC1 (2)	3786	0-2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Sep 18	Rochdale	1363	1-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Sep 25	Crewe Alexandra	2967	1-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Sep 28	Northampton Town	2550	1-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Oct 2	Hull City	3536	0-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Oct 10	Colchester Utd	4473	3-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Oct 16	Bury	2357	0-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Oct 20	Torquay Utd	4728	1-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Oct 23	Mansfield Town	3917	4-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Oct 30	Chester	1544	1-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Nov 2	Tranmere Rovers	4407	4-2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		2	S				
Nov 6	Darlington	1267	0-1	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Nov 13	York City	4081	3-2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Nov 20	F. A. Cup 1 Wealdstone	4035	2-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Nov 26	Stockport County	2197	2-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Dec 4	Peterborough Utd	3961	1-0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Dec 11	F. A. Cup 2 Brentford	7176	2-2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Dec 14	F. A. Cup 2R Brentford	7383	3-1	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Dec 15	Hartlepool Utd	4118	3-0	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Dec 27	Aldershot	5087	1-1	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Dec 30	Wimbledon	8164	0-1	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Jan 1	Bristol City	9002	1-1	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Jan 3	Scunthorpe Utd	6728	2-2	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Jan 8	F. A. Cup 3 Aldershot	7187	7-0	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Jan 15	Port Vale	6397	0-3	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Jan 22	Rochdale	4425	4-1	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Jan 28	F. A. Cup 4 Burnley	9786	1-3	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Feb 5	Crewe Alexandra	2536	0-3	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Feb 12	Hereford Utd	4042	3-2	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Feb 15	Torquay Utd			1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Feb 18	Colchester Utd	2386	0-1	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Feb 26	Bury	4692	1-1	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Mar 28	Tranmere Rvs.	1431	0-2	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11									
Mar 5	Mansfield Town	1992	0-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Mar 12	Chester	3238	2-3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11							
Mar 15	Halifax Town	1806	0-1	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Mar 19	Darlington	2815	1-2	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Mar 26	York City	3265	0-0	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 1	Wimbledon	3400	0-0	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 4	Aldershot	3494	2-0	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 9	Peterborough Utd	2522	3-4	1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 16	Hull City			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 19	Blackpool			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 23	Hartlepool Utd			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 26	Torquay Utd			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
Apr 30	Stockport City			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
May 2	Scunthorpe Utd			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
May 8	Northampton Town			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
May 17	Bristol City			1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								

GOALSCORERS SUMMARY

Player	League	Cup	Total
Rideout	17	3	20
Rowland	15	4	19
Pritchard	6	5	11
Barnard	3	1	4
Batty	1	2	3
Emmanuel	2	-	2
Lewis	1	1	2
Henry	-	1	1
Carter	1	-	1
Quinn	1	-	1
Bailie	1	-	1
Own Goal	1	-	1

Player	Appearances Lge.	Appearances Cup	Substitute Appearances Lge.	Substitute Appearances Cup	Goals Lge.	Goals Cup	Goals Total
Allan	38	7			1		1
Henry	16	4					
Baddeley	29	5					
Emmanuel	32	7			2		2
Lewis	38	7			1		1
Graham	38	7					
Pritchard	27	7	2		6		6
Hughes	11	2	1		5		5
Rideout	37	7		1	16	3	19
Rowland	37	7			14	4	18
Barnard	38	7			2	1	3
Carter	3			1			
Baverstock	17	2					
Quinn	3			4			4
Batty	31	5			1		1
Bailie	18	3					
Blackler	6						
Moore	1						

Town through time

A match to remember

by paul plowman

NUMBER 9

SWINDON TOWN 4 SWANSEA TOWN 0
May 25 1940

If you were an ardent follower of the Town either side of the last War, then the visit by Swansea in May 1940 might well have been a match to remember - for it was to be the last staged at the County Ground for more than five years. The declaration of War on Sunday September 3 1939 had brought proceedings in the Football League to an abrupt halt, with clubs having played just three games. Fixtures were suspended and used again for the 1946/47 season. By mid-October 1939 a number of regional Leagues had been drawn up and Swindon Town went into the South-West grouping, along with Swansea, Cardiff, Newport, Bristol City, Bristol Rovers, Torquay and Plymouth. Clubs played each other twice at home and twice away and up to five 'guests' could be invited to play in any one match to compensate for those 'called up'. On this particular occasion two players, Jimmy Kelso of Cardiff (who actually signed for Swindon in 1945) and Cyril Williams of Bristol City, were summoned to assist the Town. Regular goalkeeper Frank Wildman was unavailable and, being unable to commandeer a suitable replacement, club trainer Harry Martin offered to stand between the 'sticks'. He had last played in a League game nine seasons earlier for Rochdale and was now in his 48th year! What was even more remarkable was that Harry was playing at the County Ground some 28 years and four months since he first appeared here, for Sutton Junction in the F.A. Cup. The two teams lined up that afternoon as follows:

Swindon Town: Martin; Lawrence, Kelso; Cousins, Parkhouse, Day; Jones, Painter, Fowler, Williams, Hedley.

Swansea Town: Harris; Davis, Mears; Fisher, Hanford, Paul; Payne, Richards, Davies, Allen, Comley.

The Town inside-right, Eddie Painter, was still only eighteen. Sheffield Wednesday centre-half Harry Hanford was guesting for the club he was with for over nine years. Earlier in the season, the former Welsh international had assisted Swindon four times.

EDDIE JONES was first to cut the ice for Swindon in the 35th minute, when he cut in from the right flank to beat Harris from an acute angle. And barely before the keeper had recovered, he found himself stranded as little ALAN FOWLER coolly lobbed the ball over his head to make the score 2-0. It was mid-way through the second half before the game - which the *South Wales Evening Post* called ' a rather curious mixture of sparkle and scrap ' - sprang to life once again. FOWLER scored what was to be his last ever goal, capitalizing on confusion amongst the Swansea defensive ranks. Four years later, in August 1944, Alan was killed whilst serving with the Dorsetshire Regiment in Europe. CYRIL WILLIAMS completed the scoring when he blasted the ball into the net after a forty-yard run. As for Harry Martin, the inexperienced Swansea forwards - all of whom were under twenty - were unable to give him anything to do until ten minutes from the end, when he comfortably dealt with two Welsh efforts. Swindon thus chalked up their first victory in thirteen games - and the last before the Government intervened.

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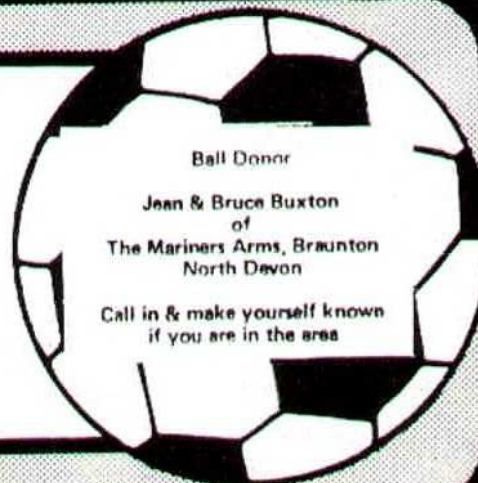
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- 3 KEVIN BADDELEY
- 4 PAUL BATTY
- 5 RUSSELL LEWIS
- 6 MIKE GRAHAM
- 7 RAY BAVERSTOCK
- 8 LEIGH BARNARD
- 9 PAUL RIDEOUT
- 10 ANDY ROWLAND
- 11 MARTIN BLACKLER
- 12

HULL CITY

- 1 TONY NORMAN
- 2 EMLYN HUGHES
- 3 BILLY ASKEW
- 4 DALE ROBERTS
- 5 PETER SKIPPER
- 6 GARY SWANN
- 7 BRIAN MARWOOD
- 8 STEVE McCLAREN
- 9 BILLY WOOF
- 10 LES MUTRIE
- 11 GARETH ROBERTS
- 12



REFEREE:

MR. MICHAEL DIMBLEBEE (Stevenage)
Began refereeing in 1963 in Northamptonshire and progressed to the United Counties League. Moved to Stevenage in 1973 and continued via the Southern League to the Football League List. Officiated as linesman in 1977 F. A. Trophy Final and refereed an F. A. Vase quarter-final match and a Southern League Championship match in 1978. In 1981 refereed an F. A. Vase semi-final.

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