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# DAVE'S DIARY



Good evening and welcome to a match that was to have been played last month, but had to be postponed until now because our pitch was under water.

We have been knocked out of the Freight-Rover Cup since I last penned a Dave's Diary, yet I can assure you we weren't as bad against Bournemouth as some areas of the media might have led people to believe. Bournemouth were better than us on the night, but it should be remembered we have a young and mostly inexperienced side at the moment and they battled right to the end against a good Third Division side.

We did have a match here at Plainmoor the other night when our old friends from over the Tamar Bridge, Saltash, played us in a behind-closed-doors friendly. It was a handy match from their point of view because they'd been without a game for a fortnight and needed some match practice in their chase for the Great Mills Western League Championship. It was also a more than useful workout from our point of view because it meant I could have a look at a couple of triallists, a few members of our up-and-coming youth side, and for one of our senior players, John Impey, to test his injured back for the first time this year.

It was back to real business at Hereford on Saturday and, of course, tonight when we meet our old Freight-Rovers opponents of not so very long ago, Swindon. We won that two-legged first round tie on a penalty shoot-out and let's hope that gives us a psychological advantage from the off tonight.

I would remind our supporters — and my players, come to that — that we also beat Swindon in the League at their place last September. A repeat of that 3-1 score-line would suit me down to the ground tonight and give us an all-too-rare double. Take care.

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# WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

## SWINDON TOWN

Today we welcome a Swindon team currently in mid-table in what is only their third ever season in Division Four and for many of our older fans memories will be reawakened of their numerous encounters with us in the old Division Three (South) days. Founded in 1881 Swindon were still members of the Southern League when reaching the F.A. Cup semi final in both 1910 and 1912. Like numerous other Southern League Clubs they formed the new Division Three in 1920. This became Division Three (South) a year later upon the formation of the Northern section and they stayed there throughout its existence. Up to the reorganisation in 1958 they had survived four re-election applications and had climbed to fourth place on three occasions.

1958 saw them moving up to Division Two for the first time ever and though they slipped back down again in 1960 this heralded the most successful spell in their history. With men like Ernie Hunt, Mike Summerbee and Don Rogers in their lineup they pulled off several useful cup feats, reaching a climax in 1968-69 when winning the FL Cup (now the Milk Cup) after beating Arsenal at Wembley. For good measure they also won promotion that season and just a year later they climbed to fifth place in Division Two and also won the Anglo-Italian Cup. They were relegated in 1974 and then came a period of fluctuating fortunes. They just missed promotion in 1974-75 but then came several relegation scares before finally going down at the end of 1981-82, losing their last game at Newport when a win would have kept them up.

In the last two seasons they have finished eighth and fifteenth respectively. Though in mid-table throughout last season they did enjoy an FA Cup run, beating Kettering, Millwall and Carlisle before going down 2-1 to Second Division Blackburn.

### THIS SEASON

So far this season they have lost at home to Port Vale and ourselves and also went out of the FA Cup in a replay with non-league Dagenham. On their travels they have won at Tranmere and Rochdale while on New Year's Day they chalked up a fine 4-0 win against Chesterfield. Longserving **Andy Rowland** and new signing **Dale Gordon** got two goals each in the Chesterfield game and others needing to be watched today include **Peter Coyne** (ex-Manchester United and Crew) in his first season and former Blackpool man **David Hockaday** in his second season. Also capable of snatching the odd goal is that old warhorse **Lou Macari** in his first season as player/manager while in midfield **Paul Batty** is a home-grown product. **Garry Nelson** from Scotland and **Nigel Gray** (ex-Orient) are both in their second seasons while **Charlie Henry** and **Colin Baillie** are one-club men in defence. **Chris Ramsey** has arrived from Brighton this season and in goal **Scott Endersby** is the former Tranmere man in his second season.

### TORQUAY UNITED v SWINDON

Season	Home	Away	Division	Season	Home	Away	Division
1960-61	1-1	1-3	3	1968-69	—	1-2	FLC (1)
1961-62	3-0	1-0	3	1979-80	3-3	2-3	FAC (2)
1966-67	1-0	0-0	3	1982-83	1-1	1-2	4
1967-68	1-1	0-1	3	1983-84	1-1	1-2	4
1968-69	0-1	1-2	3	1983-84	1-0	3-2	4

### TOTAL LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA
HOME	31	20	7	4	69	31
AWAY	32	6	7	19	34	66
TOTAL	63	26	14	23	103	97

### POST WAR PLAYERS TO HAVE APPEARED FOR BOTH CLUBS

Player	Playing Position	Debut for United	Apps for Utd.	Goals for Utd.
Mike Turner	Goalkeeper	5.4.64 v Chesterfield (A)	League 14 League Cup — FA Cup —	
John Smith	Midfield	29.10.66 v Oldham (A)	League 68 league Cup 3 FA Cup 3	League 8 League Cup — FA Cup —
Cliff Jackson	Midfield	15.8.70 v Brighton (A)	League 127 League Cup 7 FA Cup 7	League 13 League Cup 2 FA Cup —
Tony Gough	Midfield	12.8.72 v Aldershot (H)	League 2 League Cup 1 FA Cup —	



### SWINDON TOWN SQUAD 1984-85

**Back row:** Charlie Henry, Simon Gibson, Alan Churchward, Nigel Gray, Scott Endersby, Andy Wollen, Mark Hughes. **Centre:** Harry Gregg (Assistant Manager), John Trollope (Youth Team Manager), Jamie Reynolds, Mark Gardiner, Martin Davison, Sean Prowse, Mike Graham, Dave Hockaday, Kevin Morris (Physiotherapist). **Front Row:** Paul Batty, Gary Nelson, Leigh Barnard, Lou Macari (Player/Manager), Andy Rowland, Alan Mayes, Colin Bailie. **Seated:** Mark Payne, Sheldon Lee.

Roy Carter	Midfield/Striker	16.10.82 v Northamptn (H)	League 27	League 8
		Scored 2 goals in 3-1 win	Milk Cup 2	Milk Cup 2
			FA Cup —	FA Cup —
Brian Hughes	Midfield	27.8.82 v Halifax (A)	League 38	League 5
		Scored in 2-2 draw	Milk Cup 4	Milk Cup —
			FA Cup —	FA Cup —

### MOST GOALS BY UNITED PLAYER IN SINGLE MATCH V SWINDON

3 by Sam Collins at Plainmoor 8.3.82 in United's record win

3 by Sam Collins at Plainmoor 9.2.57.

### LAST SEASON AT PLAINMOOR

Monday 26 December 1983 (Division 4)

UNITED 1 (Hughes) SWINDON 0 Attendance 2,837

UNITED: Turner, Pugh, Wharton, Impey, Hughes, Carr, Lennox, Curle, Barnes, Sims, Anderson

SWINDON: Endersby, Henry, Bailie, Batty, Rowland, Graham, Hockaday, Emmanuel, Quinn, Mayes, Barnard.



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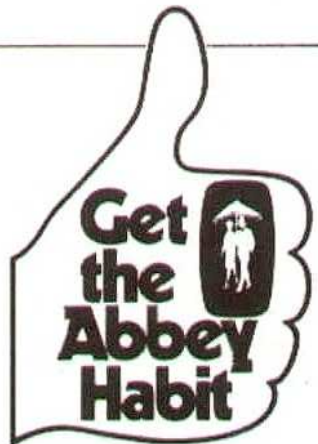


# PLAYERS PORTRAIT

## JOHN SIMS



**Full Name:** John Sims  
**Brithplace:** Belpar, Derbyshire  
**Car:** Cavalier  
**Previous Clubs:** Derby County/NottsCounty/Exeter/  
 Plymouth  
**Trade before turning Pro:** None  
**Nick-name:** Simo  
**Favourite FL Player:** Bryan Robson  
**Favourite Foreign Player:** Paulo Rossi  
**Favourite other team:** Newcastle United  
**Favourite Away Ground:** Bramhall Lane  
**Most difficult opponent:** The last one  
**Most memorable match:** Plymouth v Exeter 1980 —  
 scored for Plymouth 2-0  
**Favourite other sports:** Snooker, cricket, dominoes.  
**Likes:** walking the dog and going out with friends  
**Dislikes:** pompous people  
**Favourite TV show:** Coronation Street and Auf  
 Weiderzeim Pet  
**Favourite pop stars:** Status Quo, Robert Plant  
**Favourite Actress:** Raquel Welch  
**Favourite Actor:** Tom Sellick  
**Superstitions:** None (touch wood)  
**Pre-match meal:** cornflakes and peaches  
**Who most like to meet?** The Queen at Wembley.



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# FACTS AND FIGURES

Date	Opponents	Venue	Res.	Att.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.
Aug 25	Crewe	A 3.00	0-3	1720	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Pugh	Compton	Impey	Carter	Laryea	Mooney	Barnes	Hall	Whitehouse
Aug 27	Plymouth Argyle Milk Cup 1 (1L)	A 7.30	0-1	5689	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Impey	Compton	Whitehouse	Carter	Laryea	Mooney	Barnes	Hall	Fowler
Sept 1	Stockport County	H 3.00	0-0	1343	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	W'house	Compton	Impey	Carter	Laryea s	Mooney	Barnes	Hall	Fowler
Sept 4	Plymouth Argyle Milk Cup 1 (2L)	H 7.30	0-1	3003	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	W'house	Compton	Impey	Wakefield	Laryea	Mooney	Barnes	Hall	Fowler
Sept 8	Swindon Town	A 3.00	3-1	3180	Allen	Dawkins	A son 1	W'house	Compton	Impey	Carter	Laryea 1	Mooney	Barnes 1	Hall	Fowler
Sept 15	Port Vale	H 3.00	1-3	1552	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	W'house	Compton	Impey	Carter	Laryea 1	Mooney	Barnes	Hall	Fowler
Sept 18	Darlington	H 7.30	1-1	1310	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	W'house	Compton	Impey	Carter	Fowler 1	Mooney	Barnes	Hall	Barnes
Sept 22	Rochdale	A 3.00	0-0	1006	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	W'house	Compton	Impey	Carter	Fowler	Mooney	Barnes	Hall	Barnes
Sept 29	Peterborough Utd.	H 3.00	0-0	1271	Allen	Dawkins	Barnes	W'house	Chambers	Carter	Fowler	Laryea	Mooney s	Barnes	Hall	Barnes
Oct 2	Colchester Utd	A 7.30	2-1	1813	Allen	Pugh	Anderson	Compton	Chambers	Carter	Fowler	Laryea	Pugh	Barnes	Hall	Barnes
Oct 6	Wrexham	H 3.00	4-3	1195	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Barnes 1	Compton	Dawkins	Carter 1	Perry 1	Mooney 1	Laryea s	Hall	W'house
Oct 13	Mansfield Town	A 3.00	0-1	1146	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Barnes s	Compton	Impey	Carter	Perry	Mooney	W'house	Hall	Pugh
Oct 20	Hartlepool Utd.	H 3.00	0-1	1146	Allen	Pugh	Anderson	Kelly	Compton	Impey	Carter s	Perry	Mooney	Dawkins	Hall	Fowler
Oct 23	Scunthorpe Utd.	A 7.30	0-2	—	Allen	Pugh	Anderson	Kelly	Compton	Impey	Best	Perry	Mooney	Dawkins	Hall	Fowler
Oct 27	Tranmere Rovers	A 3.15	1-3	1523	Allen	Pugh	Anderson	Kelly	Compton	Impey	Best	Perry	Mooney	Dawkins	Hall	Fowler
Nov 3	Hereford Utd.	H 3.00	1-0	1702	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Compton	Impey	Best	Mooney	Perry	Dawkins	Hall	Fowler
Nov 6	Halifax Town	H 7.30	1-1	1153	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Pugh	Fowler	Impey	Best	Mooney	Perry	Dawkins	Hall	Pugh
Nov 10	Chester	A 3.00	1-0	1320	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly 1	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Mooney s	Best	Pugh	Hall	Chambers
Nov 17	(F.A. Cup Round 1)	A 3.00	2-0	2617	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Mooney s	Best	Pugh	Hall	Pugh
Nov 24	Chesterfield	H 3.00	1-0	1466	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Laryea	Sims	Currie	Hall	Pugh
Dec 1	Bury	A 3.00	3-1	—	Allen	Pugh	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Best	Sims	Currie	Hall	Pugh
Dec 8	(F.A. Cup Round 2)	A 3.00	3-0	1252	Allen	Dawkins	McClure	Dawkins	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Best	Sims	Currie	Hall	Laryea
Dec 15	Blackpool	H 3.00	0-2	—	Allen	Dawkins	Dawkins	Dawkins	Fowler	Impey	Best	Mooney	Sims	Webb	Hall	Laryea
Dec 22	Southern Utd	H 3.00	3-4	3925	Allen	McClure	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Impey	Best	Laryea	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Pugh
Dec 26	Exeter City	A 11.00	3-4	1400	Judd	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Best	Sims	Marshall	Hall	McClure
Dec 29	Northampton Town	A 3.00	1-3	1410	Judd	Wright	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Pugh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Laryea
Jan 1	Aldershot	H 3.00	1-3	1410	Judd	Wright	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Pugh	Pugh	Webb	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Best
Jan 5	Crewe Alexandra	H 3.00	0-0	1161	Allen	Wright	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Pugh	Pugh	Webb	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Best
Jan 12	(F.A. Cup Round 3)	H 3.00	1-0	1466	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Best	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Best
Jan 19	Stockport County	A 3.00	3-1	—	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Mooney	Sims	Anderson	Hall	Best
Jan 26	Swindon Town	H 3.00	0-2	1252	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Impey	Carter	Laryea	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Pugh
Feb 2	Port Vale	A 3.00	2-2	—	Allen	Wright	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Best	Sims	Marshall	Hall	McClure
Feb 5	Swindon Town*	A 4-3p	4-3p	—	Allen	Wright	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Pugh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Laryea
Feb 9	Peterborough Utd	A 3.00	0-1	3168	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Pugh	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Laryea
Feb 12	Darlington	A 7.30	1-0	—	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Pugh	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Laryea
Feb 16	Colchester Utd	H 3.00	1-2	2637	Allen	Compton	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Pugh	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Laryea
Feb 19	Bournemouth †	A 3.00	1-2	—	Allen	Compton	Dawkins	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Pugh	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Laryea
Feb 23	Hereford United	A 3.00	1-1	1002	Allen	Wright	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Pugh	Kelly	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Best
Mar 2	Tranmere Rovers	H 3.00	2-2	—	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Wright
Mar 5	Scunthorpe Utd.	H 7.30	0-1	3168	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Wright
Mar 9	Hartlepool Utd	A 3.00	1-0	—	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
Mar 16	(F.A. Cup Round 6)	A 3.00	1-2	—	Allen	Compton	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
Mar 23	Mansfield Town	H 3.00	1-1	1002	Allen	Wright	Anderson	Dawkins	Fowler	Pugh	Kelly	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Best
Mar 30	Wrexham	A 3.00	2-2	—	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Wright
Mar 30	Halifax Town	A 3.00	4-3p	—	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Wright
Apr 6	Exeter City	H 3.00	0-1	3168	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Best	Walsh	Sims	Marshall	Hall	Wright
Apr 9	Aldershot	A 7.30	1-0	—	Allen	Dawkins	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
Apr 13	Chester	H 3.00	1-2	2637	Allen	Compton	Anderson	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
Apr 20	(F.A. Cup Semi final)	A 3.00	1-2	—	Allen	Compton	Dawkins	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
Apr 27	Bury	H 3.00	3-0	—	Allen	Compton	Dawkins	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
May 4	Blackpool	A 3.00	3-0	—	Allen	Compton	Dawkins	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
May 6	Northampton Town	H 3.00	3-0	—	Allen	Compton	Dawkins	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best
May 11	Southern Utd	A 3.00	3-0	—	Allen	Compton	Dawkins	Kelly	Fowler	Pugh	Dougherty	Walsh	Sims	Loram	Hall	Best

\*Freight Rovers Cup 1st Round, 2nd Leg † Freight Rovers Cup 2nd Round





# ODD HAPPENINGS

Wartime games had their own idiosyncrasies with guest players often out-numbering the number of signed-up players in teams as they battled away in the Regional League and Cup competitions that did so much to keep up morale in those dark days. Goals flowed freely, games were often played in conditions that would guarantee a postponement today and one even recalls seeing a left flank defender wearing a flat cap in one Midland game.

Something of the, what one might term, pleasant oddity lingered in the early postwar years. John Oakes captained Charlton to the first postwar final at the age of 41, while on the opposite side Jack Nicholas led Derby to victory at 38. In this selfsame final the ball burst as it did in the following years final between Charlton and Burnley. Not to be outdone New Brighton manager Neil McBain kept goal for New Brighton at Hartlepool a few years later. He conceded three goals but played well in view of the fact that in his heyday he was an 'out' player and not a goalkeeper.

Goalkeepers of that early postwar era seemed to have more remarkable physiques than they do today with tall Frank Swift of Manchester City and tubby Alec Scott tipping the scale around 14 stone for Wolves. Torquay's **Phil Joslin** was quite a big lad, but fairly normal for his day. Phil was a good goalkeeper who later moved to Cardiff City, but one recalls him on a Thursday evening in September 1949 being beaten five times by Walsall's Johnny Devlin as the Gulls crashed to a 7-1 defeat in a game they might have been expected to win.

Then there were the trainers with an assortment of linaments, plasters and fearsome looking knives that could cut a bandage to size or lance a swelling and, for the walking wounded, the all-purpose sponge from which the icy cold water time and again revived a player that had looked to be out for the rest of the game. It was said in those days that a player was in danger of being injured worse by the trainer's treatment than by any opponent, but this is an exaggeration. It was said too that referees leaned to particular sides or needed spectacles. That too is an exaggeration, but one does recall some bizarre decisions, not the least remarkable being the one by a referee at Huddersfield who was struck by a corner kick and allowed the kicker to play the ball again without it being touched by another player. That goal helped to land Huddersfield in Division Two, but there was no question of a replay. The referee then as now was right when he was wrong.



## SCENE 4

No fourth division representatives left in the FA Cup, only a handful of games played last weekend and precious few more likely to be played on the day for which these notes are initially being prepared. That is the rather bleak outlook as these notes are being written and yet there is every possibility that the last few weeks of the season will bring thrills galore in Division Four.

Darlington are a team attracting attention up and down the country as they make a really determined promotion challenge, shaking off any hangover from the Telford FA Cup defeat to take both points at Scunthorpe last week with ex-Burnley striker **Carl Airey** getting his twelfth goal in this, his first season at Feethams, and extending the Quakers remarkable run of success to just two defeats in their last 21 games. What's more their win last week was their first in their last 15 visits to Scunthorpe's Old Show Ground.

**Steve Phillips'** seventeenth goal of the season helped Southend to end a run of five successive defeats with a 2-1 win over Halifax last week, his being the latter's sixth defeat in seven games as they slip below us in the table with only Wrexham beneath them.

Our win over Rochdale incidentally was our sixth in successive seasons over the Lancashire club and this ended our recent winless spell of 12 games.

What a shock for leaders Bury as Exeter pulled back from a 2 goal deficit to score twice in the last 18 minutes and take a point to end their own run of six successive away defeats and become only the fourth team this season to avoid defeat at Gigg Lane.

Peterborough, meanwhile, maintained their excellent record at Hartlepool with their sixth win in their last eight games there, the other two being drawn. Young striker **Errington Kelly**'s two goals took his tally to five since Christmas and after moving rapidly between the two Bristol clubs via Lincoln and then having a brief spell at Coventry he really does seem to have found a niche at London Road.



TORQUAY v

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# ACTION PHOTO'S



*Mark Loram powers in a shot.*

*Mario Walsh waits as the Rochdale keeper catches.*

*The Rochdale goalkeeper punches clear a United corner kick.*

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# WHAT THE PAPERS SAY

## **TORBAY NEWS - 21.2.85.**

### **Time for Action**

Torquay United supremo Dave Webb has written to the 91 other Football League clubs urging them to support efforts to appoint a professional body to run the game's affairs. Webb, Plainmoor's managing director and team chief, sent off his series of personal letters after a meeting in London last week when soccer chairmen discussed the latest BBC and ITV offers to screen football next season and over the next four years. 'It was a constructive meeting and it's important we take it from there,' said Webb who believes his sport sells itself too cheaply to the small screen.

Webb's letter suggests the Football League take 10% of the £3.8 million which television proposes to divide between the 92 clubs per season. 'Then put it in a separate pot and go out and appoint a professional body or organisation to run our affairs,' said Webb. 'We're not just talking about thousands of pounds, we are talking about millions and therefore football needs the very best people to run its business.'

Webb forecasts that soccer will eventually sell its product to cable television. 'I think it's inevitable that day will come,' he said.

## **NEWS OF THE WORLD 24.2.85.**

### **Hereford 1 Torquay 0**

Hereford, playing their first League match at Edgar Street for over seven weeks, moved from seventh to third position in the Fourth Division. Their victory extended their unbeaten home run to ten matches. And it was their first win against Torquay in six games at hereford.

Torquay had previously won three and drawn the other two games, but fell behind within a minute of the kick-off. Their defence was caught square by a fine four-man move and Paul Maddy slipped Ollie Kearns clear to net his 18th goal of the season in the 54th second. From then on Hereford dominated the proceedings and gained a total of 19 corners to the visitors two, but could not break down the solid Torquay defence again.

Keeper Kenny Allen was in top form, bringing off several fine saves.

## **SUNDAY MIRROR - 24.2.85**

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Hereford laid the Torquay bogey in this Fourth Division clash at Edgar Street. Torquay had won three of their previous five matches at Hereford and drawn the other two, but on this occasion they fell to a goal in only 54 seconds. It came from Ollie Kearns, who collected a through ball from Paul Maddy and coolly beat Kenny Allen as the goalkeeper came off his line.

Hereford forced 19 corners to the visitors too, but could not beat the commanding Allen, who brought off a series of fine saves.

## **TORBAY WEEKENDER 21.2.85.**

### **Focus on United**

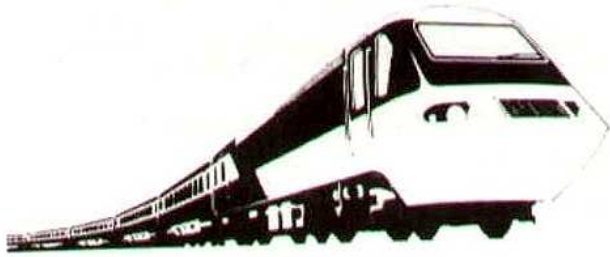
Colin Anderson's loan move to First Division Queens Park Rangers still has about a fortnight to run. Terms have already been agreed between United and Rangers, and contracts will be completed when the loan term ends if Anderson proves to be the type of player the London club is looking for. A Rangers spokesman told me that Colin travelled with the club on their mid-season break to Marbella and played half a game in Gibraltar. He apparently impressed the management with a style of play that made him Player of the Year for the past two seasons at Plainmoor, although no decision has yet been made regarding his future at Loftus Road. The 23 year-old Geordie has not yet played a first team game on the controversial artificial surface, but is presently training with the squad.

Colin's current form would suggest that a fee of around £40,000 is not far from the figure eventually announced, if QPR decide to retain his services for the amiable full back.

With Simon Stainrod's sudden departure from Shepherds Bush to Sheffield Wednesday, who knows, Colin may even be signed on as an extra striker. Certainly some of the 11 goals that he scored in his 123 League and Cup appearances for United make him a suitable candidate.

Torquay's departure from this years Freight Rover Trophy, at the hands of holders Bournemouth was not as bad as the result would suggest. Diminutive Paul Doughty was everywhere on the pitch and Walsh and Loram seem to be hitting it off with target man John Sims.

Although Dave Webb was disappointed at the defeat, there were some encouraging signs to make his return to Dean Court satisfying.



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## **YOUTH LEAGUE**

Tomorrow night our Youth Team play Cardiff City here at Plainmoor. Kick-off 7.15pm. Please come and support the lads. Entry is free!

## **RESERVE LEAGUE**

Good News! We have just received a letter from the Football League confirming that they are prepared to administer a Reserve Team League for Season 1985-86. The clubs interested at the moment are AFC Bournemouth, Bristol City, Bristol Rovers, Cardiff City, Hereford United, Exeter City, Plymouth and of course ourselves. We have also applied to join the South Western League for next season so we will have a full fixture list making the purchase of season tickets a must for supporters during 1985-86.

## **A TRUE SUPPORTER**

Contrary to reports in the local press, United put up a very creditable performance at AFC Bournemouth on Tuesday. Just ask Andrew Thatcher of Lords Place, Torquay. Andrew left Torquay at 2.30pm on Monday to hitch-hike to Bournemouth. He couldn't believe his luck when on the way he picked up a screwdriver laying in the road. On arrival at his destination he then decided to find a suitable park bench to settle down for the night. The local Constabulary found him, wandering around and asked him to empty his bag. He was then taken to the station and spent the night in a cell! Why? Carrying an offensive weapon. Yes, you've guessed it, the screwdriver! After a good breakfast Andrew was released not having been charged. He went to the ground to find out if the game had been postponed. Just before the game David Webb spotted Andrew outside the ground and asked him how he had got to Bournemouth. On hearing his story David not only gave him a ticket for the game but also a lift back to Torquay on the team bus.

When asked about his experience Andrew explained, 'Everything seemed to be going wrong. It took me nine hours to travel to Bournemouth and then I got locked up for the night. But when I spoke to David Webb everything was put right!! The team played really well and I thoroughly enjoyed my trip back. I would like to thank David and the Club for their very kind gesture.

Andrew, it's the club that would like to thank you. All last summer he put in many hours hard labour helping Fred King and the rest of the ground staff on the pitch at Plainmoor. A True Supporter!

## **PROGRAMME DESPERATELY SOUGHT**

Torquay v Millwall — 48-49; 49-50 and 50-51. Top price paid. If you can help please contact: R. Smart, 12 Kennedy Close, Orpington, Kent.

## **TONIGHT'S MATCH OFFICIAL**

Jeff Bray, Production Manager with dry cleaning firm, married with two children, commenced refereeing in 1965 and progressed via the Football Combination. Spare time is spent recruiting new referees and promoting local football. Chairman of local R.A. and secretary of a local football league for the past seventeen years.

## **CANON LEAGUE GOALSCORING AWARDS - JANUARY 1985**

The Canon League goalscoring awards for the season will be worth another £2,500 following the cancellation of the January award because weather caused so many postponements. Graham Kelly, Secretary of the Football League, said, 'We are delighted that Canon (UK) Ltd have agreed to use the January cash to increase the season awards. This means that the clubs unfortunate enough not to be able to play more than one game will not be penalised, nor will the clubs who did play and score well lose the benefits of those goals.'

The top goalscorers in each of the four divisions of the Canon League at the end of the season will now receive: Division 1 £7,500; Division 2 £5,750; Division 3 £4,000 and Division 4 £2,250. Currently in the race for the seasonal awards the following clubs lead the table:

**Division 1** — Everton (57), Tottenham Hotspur (51), Manchester United (49), Arsenal (46).

**Division Two** — Oxford United (52), Blackburn Rovers (50), Grimsby Town (47), Shrewsbury Town (46), Leeds United (46), Fulham (46).

**Division Three** — York City (49), Gillingham (46), Bolton Wanderers (45), Bradford City (44), Doncaster Rovers (44).

**Division Four** — Colchester United (55), Tranmere Rovers (47), Bury (45), Chesterfield (42)

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- 7 **PAUL DOUGHERTY**
- 8 **MARIO WALSH**
- 9 **JOHN SIMS**
- 10 **MARK LORAM**
- 11 **DEREK HALL**

Sub.

*Team Manager*  
**DAVID WEBB**

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## SWINDON TOWN

- 1 **Scott ENDERSBY**
- 2 **Nigel GRAY**
- 3 **Colin BAILIE**
- 4 **Lou MACARI**
- 5 **Andy ROWLAND**
- 6 **David COLE**
- 7 **Charlie HENRY**
- 8 **Peter COYNE**
- 9 **Colin GORDON**
- 10 **Mark DEMPSEY**
- 11 **Gary NELSON**

Sub. **Mike GRAHAM**

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**LOU MACARI**

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