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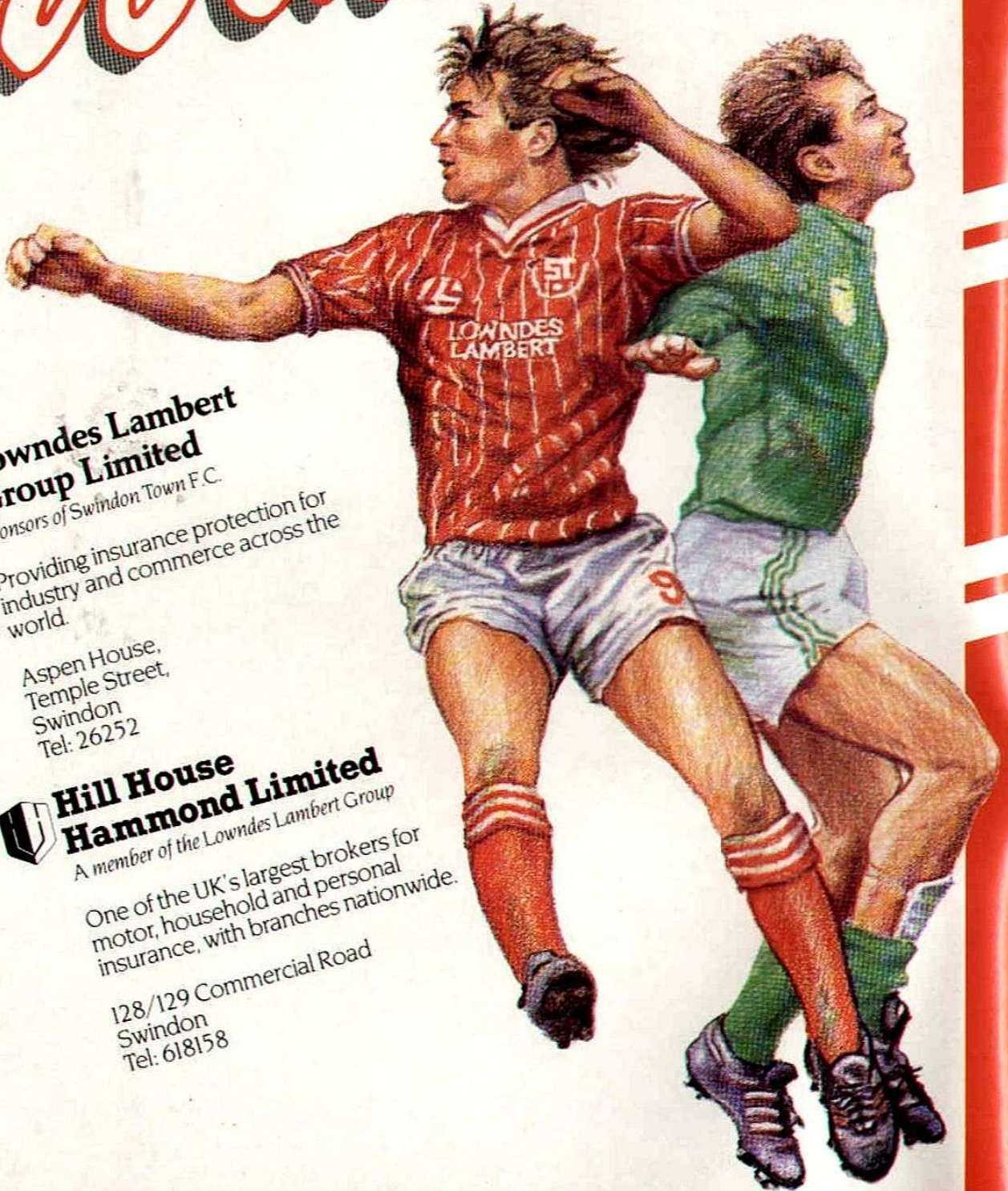


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# COUNTY GROUND

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## FROM · THE · BOARDROOM

**Welcome to the start of a new Season of soccer,** here at the County Ground. Compared with the previous four Seasons though, we are able to welcome the return of Third Division football. Since the completion of last Season, a number of changes have occurred at the Club, with the introduction of Mr. D. G. King as Administrative Manager/Club Secretary and the addition of Mr. V. F. Farrar as the Club Accountant.

Although it was often circulated that our Team manager, Lou Macari was set to leave the County Ground for the higher spheres of soccer, Lou has remained faithful to the Club and decided to remain with Swindon Town. I am sure that you will all join with the Board of Directors and breathe a sigh of relief at Lou's decision.

May I offer a warm welcome to our five close Season signings and wish them every success at the County Ground. I am sure that Tim Parkin, Steve White, Jimmy Gilligan, Martin Ling and Alan McLoughlin will enjoy life in Swindon.

At the start of a new Season, it is also an appropriate time to welcome our new groundsman Mr. Geoff Warren and last but not least Miss Felicity Hazell to reception.

The close Season has been the busiest Summer period that I can personally recall since I joined the Board of Directors. The safety Certificate has brought demands upon Swindon Town Football Club that none of us could possibly have envisaged. Mr. Justice Popplewell's recommendations have been implemented here at the County Ground in forceful fashion. This has caused considerable expense to the Club and without your continued support the expense incurred would have been difficult to have absorbed.

We can generate early Season enthusiasm by progressing through the First Round of this Season's introduction of the



Littlewoods Challenge Cup and to increase not only the level of revenue entering the Club but more importantly give you the supporters some early Season cheer.

It would be impossible for me to personally thank everyone who has contributed and so enabled the Club to commence the Season, by meeting the deadline set by the local authorities on the improvement work at the County Ground. Their individual contributions have been well chronicled.

We have a very attractive match with which to open our League Season here at the County Ground, when Notts County visit us next Sunday afternoon. I am sure they will provide stern opposition for the return of Third Division soccer here in Swindon.

Enjoy this evening's match and cheer the Club into the next round of the Competition.

*Brian Ash*

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Littlewoods the giant Chain Store, Mail Order and Pools Group, has underlined its faith by their sponsorship and support of the League Cup. They are presenting the sport with a new trophy. Desmond Pitcher, Group Chief Executive of the Littlewoods Organisation, said ... 'I have always been an enthusiastic soccer fan. At League level it is the best and most competitive in the world.

We are, therefore, delighted to be involved with it at its most exciting - there's nothing like a good Cup tie! To emphasise our commitment to the game we decided that the LITTLEWOODS CHALLENGE CUP should be an entirely new trophy.

The new trophy is a very historic Cup originally called the 'Viscountess Furness Football Cup' and dating back to 1895, arguably making it one of the oldest football trophies in the world. The sterling silver Cup stands nearly three feet high. It has been completely refurbished and restored to its former glory, and in future will be named the 'LITTLEWOODS CHALLENGE CUP'. It is a magnificent trophy.

This evening marks the occasion of the first round of the CHALLENGE CUP. This Season all 92 Football League Clubs are competing, and as an added incentive LITTLEWOODS have announced that the winning team will receive £75,000, making it the largest team prize in British sport.

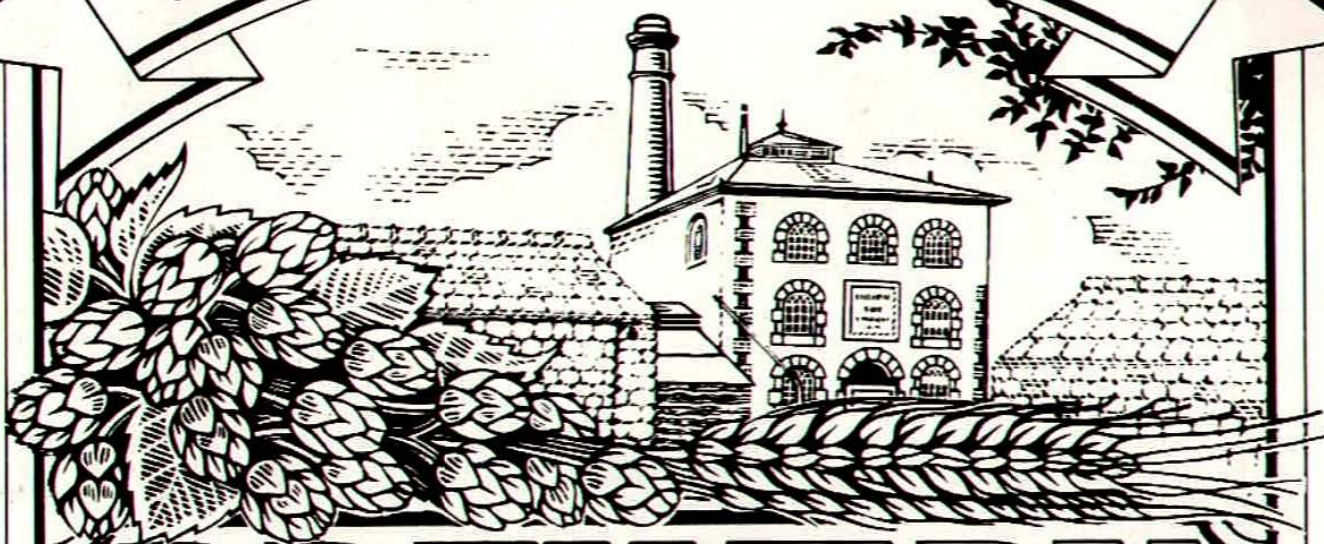
Swindon Town like all other Football League Clubs are indebted to Littlewoods for their participation in sponsorship of our national game. With the withdrawal of the Milk Marketing Board at the completion of last Season, this particular competition is now re-named for the third time - League, Milk and now LITTLEWOODS CHALLENGE CUP.

Swindon Town were once proud holders of the League Cup in 1969. Torquay United figured in the list of opponents that particular Season, once again we meet friends and doughty opponents, an omen?

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**Good Evening, and welcome back to the County Ground** for what we all hope will be another memorable Season.

To repeat the unparalleled success that we all enjoyed last Season is virtually an impossibility. A Season such as we experienced during 1985/86 probably comes to most Clubs once in their history, unless the name of that Club happens to be Liverpool! You are probably all aware that many pundits have made Swindon Town clear favourites for promotion again this Season. Obviously we all hope their optimism is well founded.

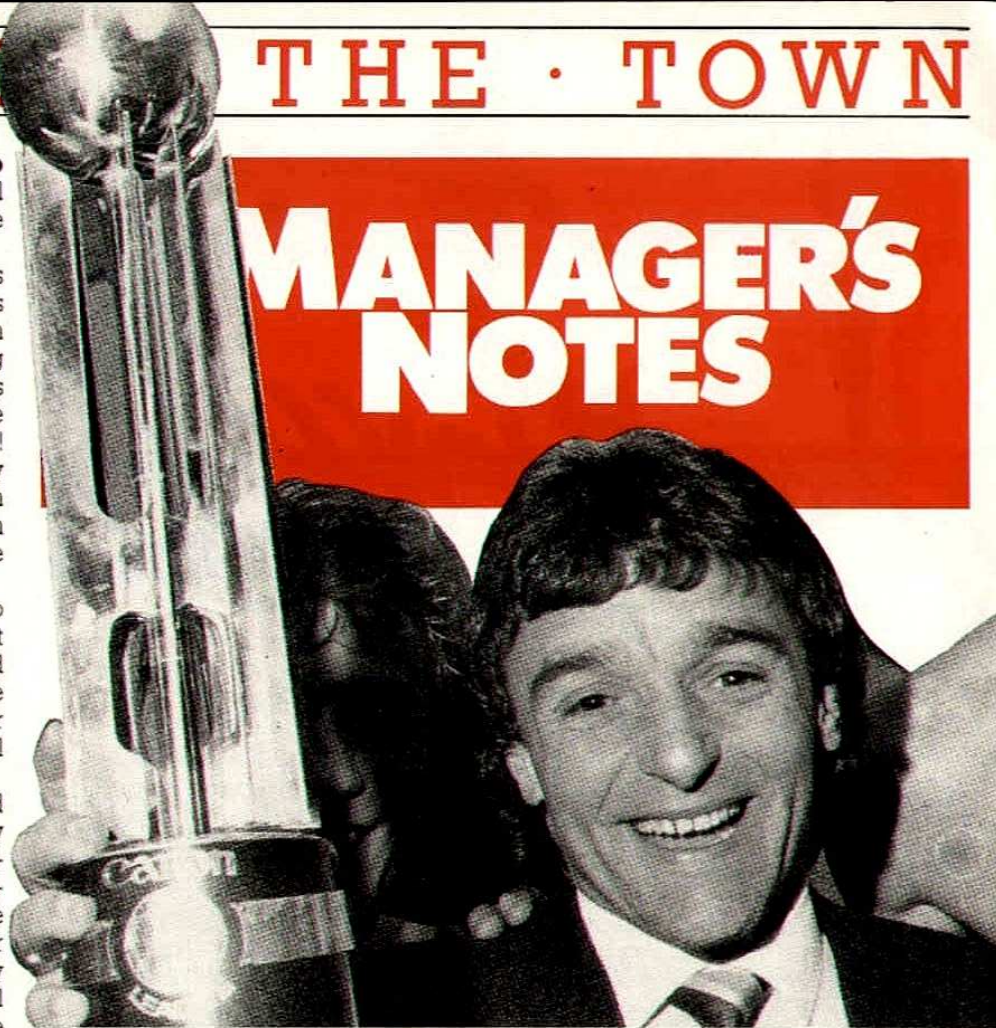
I feel that I must add a warning note, to all the optimists who may imagine that we can repeat last Seasons form and results, without too much bother. The Third Division will be a much tougher proposition, as I am sure you will all see as the Season begins to unfold.

For that reason, I have strengthened my squad of first team players by signing five new players. The experience of Tim Parkin should add considerably to the defence, while the promise of Martin Ling from Exeter City and Alan McLoughlin from my former Club Manchester United will give me a variety of options for the midfield positions. Up front Jimmy Gilligan from Grimsby Town and Steve White from Bristol Rovers will add extra punch to the attack.

Obviously the new players will take time to knit into the framework of last Seasons successful squad and during that initial process, I ask for your support and understanding, while they adjust to the new demands made of them.

This evening we open our Season here at the County Ground with familiar opposition in Torquay United. Our meetings with the Plainmoor Club have become almost a certainty in at least one of the Cup Competitions, at least it appears that way since I came to the County Ground. Despite the fact that Torquay United finished in bottom position in last Seasons Fourth Division, we should not under-estimate them.

At the Football League Tribunal hearings held in London during July, I bumped into Stuart Morgan the Devon Club Manager who was also attending a hearing in relation to Torquay Uniteds' signing of Phil King from their near neighbours Exeter City. Stuart



## MANAGER'S NOTES

who will commence this Season as the Torquay Manager for his first full Season, was quietly optimistic about his teams chances this Season. Several new signings have given Stuart the opportunity to put into operation his own ideas. I wish them well, for Torquay United deserve a change of fortune. Hopefully that will not begin until after our two matches with the Devon Club.

Last Seasons Milk Cup Competition gave us the opportunity to rebuild our Season in dramatic fashion after a most disappointing start. Now renamed the Littlewood Challenge Cup I am equally convinced it can serve a similar purpose this Season. Cup matches provide excitement for the fans who relish the thought of an opportunity to meet some of the big name Clubs. The advantage that the Littlewood Challenge Cup affords Third and Fourth Division Clubs is that they can meet either a First or Second Division Club in the Second Round of the competition. Whereas the more illustrious F.A. Cup does not provide that similar opportunity until

the Third Round.

As you will have been aware Colin Gordon moved from the County Ground into the First Division with Wimbledon during the Summer. In my opinion it was an excellent deal for Swindon Town to have collected £110,000 for a player plucked from the virtual obscurity of non-League soccer with Oldbury United. I personally believe that Swindon Town had the best part of the deal, but I am sure you will join me in wishing Colin the best of luck in his new career in the Premier Division.

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## SCENE

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**This evening we appear in the Littlewoods Challenge Cup** along with all the Third and Fourth Division Clubs for the first time. Littlewoods have replaced the Milk Cup with a magnificent trophy of their own, as they venture into the actual world of soccer for the very first time, at least if you ignore the 'X's you put on your football coupon each week.

Ironically we were drawn against Torquay United in last Season's Milk Cup. The Town secured a 2-1 win at Plainmoor, due to goals from David Hockaday and David Moss. The town's two goals came after Kevin Smith had given United an early lead. A somewhat lack lustre display in the Second Leg, here at the County Ground, in which we shared four goals, were enough to see the Town edge into the next round of the Competition.

The 2,846 who witnessed the Second Leg here at the County Ground, saw Peter Coyne give the Town an early lead, before Pugh equalised five minutes later for Torquay. The same player had the misfortune to put the Town into the lead again in the second half, before the veteran Eddie Kelly squared matters twelve minutes from time.

It is now part of County Ground Cup folklore that we progressed to meet such illustrious Clubs as Sunderland, Sheffield Wednesday and Ipswich

Town in subsequent rounds. We all hope that we can dispatch the threat that Torquay United will pose over the next seven days. The South-West Club will be equally determined to progress and only a fool would dismiss their challenge lightly.

Whilst we could have been paired with any of eleven Clubs in our region of the Littlewoods Challenge Cup, the other pairings in our group, have left some enthralling ties in prospect.

Bristol Rovers appear to have the most daunting task of the regions pairings. The Twerton Park Club face last Season's Third Division Champions, Reading. It is now history that the Elm Park Club virtually skated through last Season's League programme with considerable aplomb. The Bristol Club who have been forced to vacate their former Eastville home and move to nearby Bath, are bereft of the talent they have displayed in the Third Division in recent seasons. Tim Parkin and Steve White are part of the exodus that have left Rovers in recent months.

Their Bristol neighbours, although there appears to be little validity to that description, now the move to Bath has been confirmed, face South Coast Club Bournemouth.

The Ashton Gate Club will not have to face the considerable goal-scoring talent of Northern Ireland International Colin Clarke. The former Tranmere

Rovers striker was the subject of a £400,000 move to near neighbours Southampton during the close Season. While the Dean Court Club will certainly feel the loss of the prolific goal-scorer, City boss Terry Cooper has added to his talented squad by securing the transfer of former York City pivot, John McPhail and utility player Gary Hamson from Leeds United.

Both players were injured in preSeason matches, but both look set to start the Season. Former Town winger Howard Pritchard has surprisingly left Ashton Gate and moved across country to Third Division rivals Gillingham.

Former Swindon Town defender Frank Burrows, has been joined by ex-County Ground Manager Bob Smith at Cardiff City. The duo who will be expected to revive flagging spirits at Ninian Park with early success in the Littlewoods Cup will be hoping to remove the challenge of Plymouth Argyle without too much trouble. On paper, with the Ninian Park Club having just been relegated to the Fourth Division and Argyle newly promoted to the Second Division, it would appear that the Home Park Club will start firm favourites. Frank Burrows main excursion to the transfer market was his capture of Welsh International Terry Boyle from neighbours Newport County, it would appear that City will need all of his experience and more, to survive and move into the Second Round.

The tie between Exeter City and Newport County looks evenly balanced and it is a difficult encounter from which to predict a clear cut winner. Martin Ling's former Club, look set for a Season of struggle, while Jimmy Mullen the Somerton Park Club's Manager will probably be pleased with survival in his first Season of management.

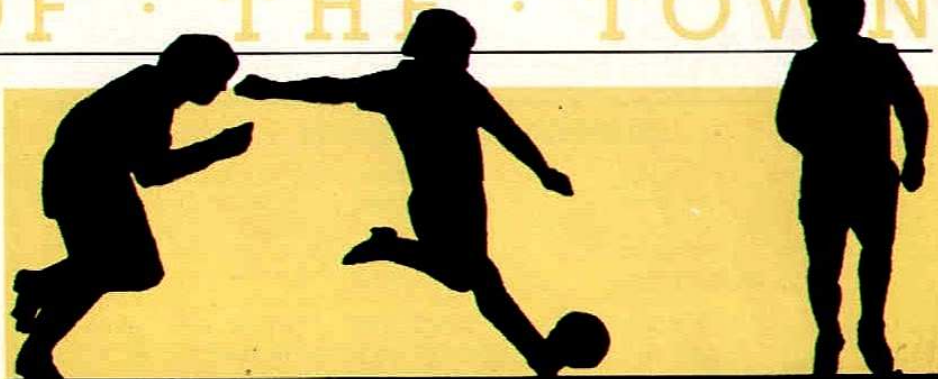
The almost, all Welsh encounter between Hereford United and Swansea City would be a close affair, although over the two matches it may well be that John Newman's United may just edge out the Vetch Field Club. It will probably be a Season of baptism of fire for former Welsh International Terry Yorath as he attempts to revive the ailing fortunes of the South Wales Club in his first Season in charge of the 'Swans' playing affairs.



## The Littlewoods Challenge Cup



**The Littlewoods Challenge Cup** is an impressive solid silver trophy made in the late nineteenth century. It is elaborately engraved and has a detailed Victorian footballer surmounting the lid. The Cup stands 2'9" on its plinth, and the combined weight of the Cup, lid and plinth total 3.789 kg.



## OUR LAST MEETING

By Michael Scott

**The quartet of matches between the 'Town' and 'United' last season, saw Swindon win three and the sides battled out a hard fought draw in the other. The 'LeagueCup', re-christened the 'Littlewoods Challenge Cup' for the next three seasons at least, is of course our main concern tonight. 1st round 'League' Cup ties with Torquay seem to spur Swindon Town on to great things - in 1968/9 a 2-1 victory at the County Ground sent us on the Wembley trail and last season's fixture was the springboard for a giant killing run and a unique league campaign.**

Will the Devon club prove a 'lucky charm' for us this time around?. Our pairing with the 'Gulls' in 1985/6 brought us a trip to Plainmoor on 20th August. Goals from David Moss and Dave Hockaday with Kevin Smith netting for the home side, set Swindon up well for the 2nd leg at the County Ground a week later. Any thoughts that we were in for an easy passage to round two were rapidly dispelled that night. Torquay came to give as good as they got, putting in a fine all round performance to earn a 2-2 draw. Steve Pugh had the ill fortune to score for both sides after Peter Coyne had put Swindon 3-1 ahead on aggregate, Eddie Kelly's deflected equaliser brought the scores level on the night but could not prevent the 'Town' from going through.

The heroics of a goalkeeper named Kenny Allen were an

important factor in ensuring the result on the night. Kenny faces Torquay tonight hoping that he can perform as well for us as he did for the 'Gulls' in this competition last season.

Our last league meetings bring back equally happy memories, winning with goals from Peter Coyne and Charlie Henry 2-1 at the County Ground a year ago today and going top of Division 4 last December with 1-0 win at Plainmoor, Colin Gordon getting the vital 2nd half goal.

But back to tonight and our first ever fixture in the 'Littlewoods Challenge Cup', the omens of '68/69 and 85/86 point to a Swindon victory but cup football is notoriously unpredictable. The only thing we can be sure about tonight is that the final outcome will not be decided until the final whistle of the second leg at Plainmoor on September 2nd.

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By Dave Eaton

This evening we welcome to the County Ground for the first home game of the 1986/87 season Torquay United. The Devon side have not enjoyed the best of times over recent seasons, and in the last two have finished propping up the Football League, and having to seek re-election.

Added to this there has been problems with their main stand and several managerial changes.

David Webb, the former Chelsea defender was in charge at the start of last season but quickly handed over to John Sims. His reign was a very short one being replaced by Stuart Morgan from Weymouth.

Like our own Lou Macari who has practically changed the entire playing staff in just over two years, Stuart Morgan is doing similar down on the Devon coast.

Torquay's line-up tonight will be practically unrecognisable from the one Swindon met last year.

The most significant plus cashwise for the Gulls during the summer was the sale of Mark Loram to Queen's Park Rangers for £50,000, this has given Stuart Morgan leeway to strengthen his team.

Swindon and Torquay have enjoyed some most entertaining and exciting cup battles in the past, and tonight's Littlewoods Challenge Cup, with its new concept of two substitutes looks no exception. And it is ironic that the sides should meet tonight with a new name and sponsor to the competition as they have only been drawn against each other twice before - and then it was under different competition titles. Way back in 1968 Swindon defeated Torquay 2 - 1 in the first round of the then League Cup. The first stepping stone to that incredible final victory over the mighty Arsenal at Wembley. And last season it was the Town who came out on top over two legs in the first round of the Milk Cup 4 - 3 - the start of another giant killing campaign. Could the meeting of the two sides tonight herald another enthralling and money-spinning campaign for either side.

Torquay have also met Swindon in two other cup competitions - the F.A. Cup and Freight Rover Trophy. And it has taken replays or a penalty shoot out to decide the outcome.

## OUR VISITORS



## TORQUAY UNITED



				Darren Cann	Chris Myers	Trevor Webber	Dale Wreyford					
Back row left to right												
Middle	Les Chappell (Asst. Manager)	Maro Walsh	John Impey	Gary Nardiello	John Smeolders	Phil King	Martin Ellacott	Mark Crowe	Paul Compton	Jim McNichol	Alan Morris Physio	
Front		Derek Dawkins	Steve Phillips	Gary Richards	Stuart Morgan Manager	Paul Dobson	Steve Pyle	Tom Kelly				

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## FACTS AT A GLANCE



**Ground:** Plainmoor.

**Capacity:** 6,900

**Record Attendance:** 21,908 v Huddersfield T, F.A. Cup 4th Round, 29th January 1955.

**Record Receipts:** £14,000 v Sheffield W, F.A. Cup 4th Round, 29th January 1983.

**Founded:** 1898 and turned professional in 1921.

**Joined League:** 1927, elected to Division 3(s).

**Honours:** Highest League position, 4th Division 3 1967-68. Div 3 (s) runners-up 1956-57. Division 4-promoted 1959-60 (3rd), and 1968-66(3rd). F.A. Cup best season-4th round in 1949, 1955, 1971 and 1983 League (Milk) Cup - never past 3rd Round.

**Most League Appearances:** Dennis Lewis 443, 1947-59.

**Most League Goals:** Sammy Collins 204, 1948-58.

**Record Victory:** 9-0 v Swindon T. Div 3(s). 8th March 1952.

**Record Defeat.**

2-10 v Fulham Div 3(s) 7th September 1931, and v Luton T. Div 3(s) 2nd September 1933.

**Colours:**

Yellow shirts and blue shorts, blue stockings, with blue trim.

Change colours: All yellow.

Nickname: The Gulls.

## PREVIOUS CUP MEETINGS

13 Aug 1968	League Cup 1st Round	SWINDON T 2 Smart, Noble	TORQUAY 1 Rowlands	Alt. 14702
20 Aug 1965	Milk Cup 1st Round 1st Leg	TORQUAY 1 Smith	SWINDON T 2 Hockaday, Moss	Alt. 1,266
3 Sept 1985	Milk Cup 1st Round 2nd Leg	SWINDON T 2 Coyne, Pugh (og)	TORQUAY 2 Pugh, Kelly	Alt. 2846
15 Dec 1981	F.A. Cup 2nd Round	SWINDON T 3 Owen 2, Miller	TORQUAY 3	Alt. 15,259
19 Dec 1981	2nd Round Replay	TORQUAY 1	SWINDON T 1 Betteridge	(after extra time) Alt. 7,435
2 Jan 1982 at Ashton Gate	2nd Round 2nd Replay	SWINDON T 3 Onslow, Bain, Owen	TORQUAY 1	Alt. 12,241
18 Dec 1979	2nd Round	TORQUAY 3	SWINDON 3 Mayes, Tucker Rowland	Alt. 5,900
22 Dec 1979	2nd Round Replay	SWINDON T 3 Rowland, Mayes 2	TORQUAY 2	Alt. 8253
22 Jan 1985	Freight-Rover 1st Round 1st Leg	TORQUAY 1	SWINDON 1 Macari	Alt. 1,002
5 Feb 1985	1st Round 2nd Leg	SWINDON 0 (Torquay won 4-3 on penalties)	TORQUAY 0	(after extra time) Alt. 2164

\*Statistics supplied by Paul Plowman

## MEET THE PLAYERS AND MANAGER

### Manager - Stuart Morgan

Born Swansea. The 36 year old took over the hot seat at Torquay in September last year. A former rugged central defender who started his playing career at West Ham. Moved to Torquay (on loan). Subsequently played for Reading, (o/c Kester and Bournemouth.)

### John Smeolder (Goal Keeper)

Born Hackney. Recently signed from Bournemouth for whom he played 34 league games last season. A former Orient and Weymouth player.

### Jim McNicholl (defender)

Born Glasgow. Signed during the close season from Exeter City where he was the captain. Played a total of 54 games for them last season. Formerly with Brentford, Luton and Ipswich.

### Phil King (defender)

Born Bristol. An 18 year-old left back, joined Torquay from Exeter for £6,000 (Football League Tribunal Fee) recently, his only other club.

### John Impey (defender)

Born Exeter. The club captain who has

rejoined the Gulls after one season at Exeter where he played a total of 30 games. Appeared early last season in the Swindon reserve side before joining Exeter. Previous clubs Cardiff, Bournemouth, Torquay and Exeter.

### Paul Compton (defender)

Born Stroud. A centre-half in his fourth season with the Devon club whom he joined from Aldershot. Prior to that was with Bournemouth. Highly respected player who was the subject of an enquiry by Lou Marcari last year.

### Mark Crowe (midfield)

Born Southwold. An ever present in the Torquay side last season. Signed in July 1985 from Norwich City.

### Tom Kelly (defender/midfield).

A left back/midfield player recently signed from Hartlepool United, where he played 19 games last season.

### Steve Pyle (midfield)

Born North Shields. An attacking midfielder player signed from Cambridge United in November 1985, his only other club.

### Paul Dobson (forward)

Born Hartlepool. Another recent addi-

tion to the Plainmoor staff from Hartlepool. A centre-forward with an eye for goal who appeared for the northern club in over 100 league games.

### Gerry Nardiello (forward)

Born Oldbury. A striker with Shrewsbury Town last season and appeared for them in 22 league games.

### Steve Phillips (forward).

Born Edmonton. A much travelled striker with a good goal scoring record. Has seen service at Birmingham, Torquay (on loan), Northampton, Brentford, and Southend. Joined the Gulls last season.

### Mario Walsh (midfield/forward)

Born Paddington. The Londoner joined Torquay two seasons ago from Portsmouth, where he failed to play a league game. Signed firstly on loan, before become a permanent player. Played in all but first of Torquays league matches last season.

### Gary Richards (defender)

Born Swansea. Another newcomer to the Devon coast. Formerly with his home loan side for whom he made over 80 appearances.

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# CAPTAIN'S CORNER

WITH · COLIN CALDERWOOD

I am delighted to have been asked to contribute to the new style programme that the Club have introduced on its return to the Third Division this Season.

I will try and keep you up-to-date with not only my thoughts and ideas as the Season progresses but also introduce you to the rest of my playing colleagues each week, a little bit about them off, as well as on the field.

Probably the best way that I can begin this column is to start at the end of last Season! It really was a great thrill being captain of Swindon Town last Season, the job gave me added responsibility and there was no prouder person in League Football the day that I led the team out onto the field at Mansfield last Season. To return to your former Club and do well is always a thrill for any professional player, but to actually return as League leaders and clinch promotion, really was an added bonus for me personally. The job of captain was so much easier for me last Season because of the quality of the squad.

Anyway last Season is now in the past, but is nice to reflect upon several months where we hardly seemed to make a mistake.

After our end of Season trip to



Ireland, it was holiday time for me and some of the lads. In fact six of us went for a stay in Crete where we had a thoroughly enjoyable holiday after the long Season. Somehow, the boss did not seem to want the Season to end. I am sure the hidden motive behind the visit to Southern Ireland was the fact that he did not want any of the lads to be out of condition on our return to pre-Season training! Along with Dave Cole, Leigh Barnard, Dave Hockaday, Wadey and Colin Gordon, we had a smashing time. We did keep an eye open for the boss, but he didn't appear to be around!

For the rest of the Summer, I returned home to Scotland. For those of you who may not be aware I come from Stranraer. Going back home gave me an opportunity to polish up on a sport that I rank almost alongside Football. Yes, I do enjoy a round or two of Golf, it is a game I have been playing since I was eight years of age. The only problem with my

game was that I was unable to reduce my handicap which stands at ten. It looks as though I shall have to wait until next Summer if I am to improve upon that.

It didn't seem long before it was back to Swindon and the long grind of pre-season training. This year the boss decided to take us off to Malta. It wasn't a bad idea, for the new players obviously got the chance to meet last season's squad and learn what life at Swindon Town is all about. It was so hot out there that after training all we wanted to do was relax and recover. With temperatures soaring up around the hundred, it was just nice to find a peaceful place and relax.

The pre-season training this year seems to be a lot harder than last year. After last Summer's training we had some disastrous early season results and I am sure the boss has been intent on counteracting that this year.

Actually in the early matches I have been playing in midfield which is not a bad move for someone like me who plays at the back. It is fair to say that the central defenders along with goal-keepers do less running than players in other positions. At least I now have an idea of the problems other players face!

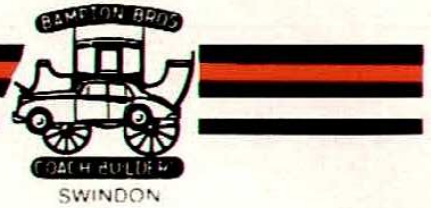
Well, it looks as though the boss has collected a good squad of players together again and I am sure that if we can consolidate in the Third Division we shall have done well. Remember how Hull City did the same type of thing two or three Seasons ago. I am sure that we shall again adopt the attacking policy that proved so successful last Season. The boss is certainly different in his outlook to what I was used to at Mansfield where defence and caution were really what we were made aware of by the Manager. Hope to see you again next Sunday.

Yours in Sport.

*Col Calderwood*



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Following our re-introduction to Third Division soccer at Bolton's Burden Park last Saturday, we return to League action with the visit of Notts County next Sunday afternoon to the County Ground.

We could probably not have asked for more attractive but also sterner opposition, with which to open our League account here at the County Ground.

Although it seems not so long ago that the Meadow Lane Club were members of the Football League elite, they appear to have stabilised their listing fortunes and surely must be considered among the stronger members of the Third Division.

Despite a succession of managers and coaches to the Meadow Lane staff during recent Seasons, it appears that the evergreen Jimmy Sirrell is once again expected to revive the fortunes of the League's oldest Club.

One player the Town will have to keep a special eye on is the impressive Ian McParland who finished last Season, as the Meadow Lane Club's leading goalscorer, with nineteen League and Cup goals.

County will probably have on parade next Sunday afternoon a player that you may have witnessed in the World Cup Finals of June. No, not an English player in Mexico, but an Algerian! For Rachid Harkouk appeared for the national team and along with Johny Sievebank of Manchester United and his team-mate Jesper Olsen who both appeared for Denmark, they are three of four foreign nationals who participated in the World Cup Finals currently appearing in English League soccer. The other of course is Jan Molby of Liverpool who also represented Denmark.

One of the tallest strikers in the League will also be on view when the giant Mick Waitt will line up in opposition to Town defenders Tim Parkin and Colin Calderwood. Standing at 6'4" he will once again pose a problem for most Third Division teams.

The only Summer signing that County

have made of significance is former Rochdale winger David Thompson. Town fans will recall that the former Scotland player faced the Town in our two League matches last Season, as we completed the double over the Northern Club.

County defender Tristan Benjamin who joined the Club as an apprentice, has recently agreed terms with the Club, after being in dispute with them since the end of last Season. Tristan who was born in St. Kitts is now approaching 300 League appearances for his one and only Club.

Pedro Richards is County's longest serving player having made over 400 League appearances for the Meadow Lane Club. Loyalty appears to be almost a by-word at County, for former Derby County apprentice David Hunt has made over 300 League appearances for the Club.

On Thursday next, September 2nd, we travel down to Devon for the Second Leg of this evening's Littlewoods Challenge Cup. We shall be hoping for a repeat of last Seasons results when we defeated Torquay United 2-1 in the Milk Cup and collected three points from our League encounter on the last Saturday of 1985 when a solitary goal from Colin Gordon, now with Wimbledon, was enough to keep us on course for the Fourth Division Cham-

pionship last Season.

With United fielding several new players in their line-up this Season they will be hoping for a happier return on next Tuesday evening's match.

We travel down to South Wales the following Saturday, September 6th, to meet Newport County. Whatever the outcome, it will not have the immediate impact that our last visit to Somerton Park had. For it was the venue, that finally decided that we were destined to encounter Fourth Division soccer for the first time. A penalty from Tommy Tynan in the second half of that fateful match, after the Town's Roy Carter had handled, sent any hopes of survival the hordes of Town supporters who had crossed the border held, nosediving in one dramatic minute. As we all know only too well, it took the Club four years to recover that lost status.

After a succession of managers last Season, with former Town Manager Bob Smith quickly followed by John Relish and now Jimmy Mullen, the Somerton Park Club look destined for a Season of struggle and may do well to avoid the eventual drop into the Football League's basement division come next May. If the Town are to make any impact on this Seasons third Division this should be a fixture from which they must be hoping for at least a share of the spoils.

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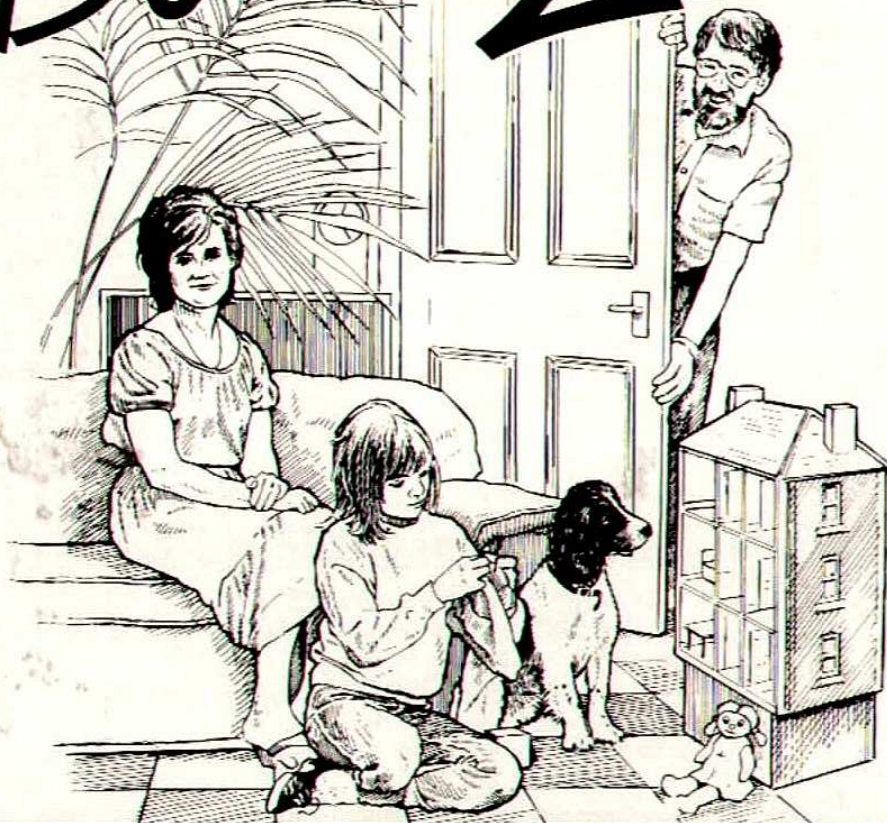
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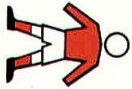


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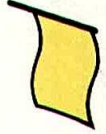
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## INTERVIEW

with Jamie Reynolds

Among the Town's youngest full time professionals is a player who enjoyed the trip of a life time this Summer. Few people have visited mainland China from these shores, but that was the pleasure that befell the Town's England Youth International, Jamie Reynolds. Talk of the Town, allows Jamie to tell you a little about himself.

"I realise at eighteen years of age how lucky I am to have been selected for such a trip. I like to feel that I have brought honour to the Club in playing for England. As a Swindon lad and missing out on schoolboy honours after reaching the final thirty whilst at school, through injury, the eight youth caps I have been awarded have been more than consolation."

Jamie has collected those caps in matches with Russia, Holland, Scotland (2), Thailand, the Chinese Army team and Italy.

Those unlikely looking matches against Thailand and the Chinese army team came on the trip to China as Jamie explained, "In China we played in a tournament which had four teams in each group. England were in the same section as the Chinese National team, Thailand and the Chinese Army team. We defeated the National team 1-0, lost by the odd goal in three, to Thailand and easily beat the Army team by scoring nine goals without reply. I was asked to play on the left side of midfield by Colin Murphy who was in charge of the England team. Although it was not my favourite position, because really I like to play in front?"

"There were a couple of lads included in the team that I am sure you may have heard of, David Herst who was recently transferred from Barnsley to Sheffield Wednesday for £250,000 and do

you remember Neil Ruddock who joined Tottenham Hotspur last Season, I think the fee was somewhere around the £30,000 mark."

Jamie, despite his initial promise on joining the Town has found his first team appearances virtually non-existent, against Crewe Alexandra on May 16th 1985.

How did he view his present situation and prospects? "Well, although I really prefer to play up front, than in midfield, this may be the position where I will be afforded an opportunity. Obviously I am disappointed at not being afforded a chance, but it is up to me to play well enough, so that the Manager is forced to play me. It really is a case of whether I play that well and of course the opinion of the 'Boss'.

Jamie pondered for a while before continuing "Yes, it is up to me and I must break through into the first team squad this Season."

Life is difficult for any of the younger members of the playing staff at the County Ground at present with the success that the more experienced players have brought to the Club. Dedication and hard work are obviously the answers to all problems and automatically they apply to the professional soccer player, as much if not more, than other professions. A point not lost on Jamie.

"Yes, I really do realise that, but you have to have a lucky break also and it must be nice to know that you can relax and know that you have 3 or 4 matches to prove yourself."

It is difficult not to have a degree of sympathy for a player in Jamie's situation, but it really is up to him to force the situation and he knows that he has to find a degree of steel in his make-up.

Highly regarded by the England coaching staff at Youth level, this Season is an important stage of Jamie Reynolds career. At the completion of the 1986/87 Season he will have a much clearer indication of where the future may take him and the answer to that, basically depends upon him. Good luck, Jamie.

## MATCH DAY

# Mascot



**Christopher Peter Neal**

**Our mascot for this afternoons match** is more than likely to find himself at a later date with a pair of boxing gloves than football boots!

For Christopher Neal is the son of former well known local boxing hero Peter Neal who is the resident host at the adjacent County Ground Hotel.

Two-year-old Peter rates the Town goalscoring hero of last Season Charlie Henry as his favourite player while Oxford United are his 'other team'.

Obviously his father, Peter Neal, must have had a big influence on those two choices. Well thought out the one choice but I am sure the majority of Town fans will have a few private thoughts on the choice of Christopher's favourite team. However, Christopher will probably change his allegiances, as he grows older.

Swindon Town Football Club are pleased to welcome Christopher from just over the wall today and we all hope that he enjoys his day out with the Town.

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##### Swindon Town

Date	Day	Opposition	Home/Away	Time	Result
28.8.86	THU	FULHAM	H	2.00 pm	
3.9.86	WED	CRYSTAL PALACE	A		
16.9.86	TUE	BRISTOL ROVERS	A		
23.9.86	TUE	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	H		
1.10.86	WED	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	A		
7.10.86	TUE	CHELSEA	H		
11.10.86	SAT	SOUTHAMPTON	A		
15.10.86	WED	BRIGHTON & H.A.	A		
21.10.86	TUE	OXFORD UNITED	H	2.00 pm	
28.10.86	TUE	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	A		
1.11.86	SAT	READING	A		
5.11.86	WED	PORTSMOUTH	H		
11.11.86	TUE	NORWICH CITY	H		
18.11.86	TUE	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H		
25.11.86	TUE	LUTON TOWN	H		
29.11.86	SAT	WEST HAM UNITED	A		
2.12.86	TUE	WATFORD	H		
31.12.86	WED	MILLWALL	A	2.00 pm	
9.1.87	TUE	IPSWICH TOWN	A		
16.1.87	TUE	ARSENAL	H		
5.1.87	MON	MILLWALL	H		
13.1.87	TUE	FULHAM	A		
20.1.87	TUE	CRYSTAL PALACE	H		
28.1.87	WED	NORWICH CITY	A		
7.2.87	SAT	LUTON TOWN	A		
10.2.87	TUE	BRISTOL ROVERS	H		
17.2.87	TUE	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	A		
24.2.87	TUE	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H		
4.3.87	WED	OXFORD UNITED	A		
10.3.87	TUE	BRIGHTON & H.A.	H		
18.3.87	WED	SOUTHAMPTON	H	2.00 pm	
28.3.87	SAT	CHELSEA	A		
31.3.87	TUE	PORTSMOUTH	A		
7.4.87	TUE	READING	H		
14.4.87	TUE	WATFORD	A		
21.4.87	TUE	WEST HAM UNITED	H		
25.4.87	SAT	ARSENAL	A		
5.5.87	TUE	IPSWICH	H		

#### SOUTHERN FLOODLIT CUP

9.9.87 TUE READING H (1st Round)

#### SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE FIXTURES FOR 1986-87

##### Swindon Town

Date	Day	Opposition	Home/Away	Time	Result
23.8.86	SAT	SOUTHAMPTON	A		
27.8.86	WED	WIMBLEDON	A	6.00 pm	
30.8.86	SAT	READING	H		
2.9.86	TUE	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	A	6.00 pm	
6.9.86	SAT	BOURNEMOUTH	A		
13.9.86	SAT	SOUTHEND UNITED	A		
20.9.86	SAT	BOURNEMOUTH	A		League Cup 1st Round
27.9.86	SAT	BRIGHTON & HOVE	H		
4.10.86	SAT	BRENTFORD	H		
11.10.86	SAT	READING	A		
18.10.86	SAT	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	12.00 noon	
25.10.86	WED	OXFORD UNITED	A		
1.11.86	SAT				League Cup 2nd Round
8.11.86	SAT				
15.11.86	SAT	BRIGHTON & HOVE	A		
22.11.86	SAT	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H		
29.11.86	SAT	SOUTHAMPTON	H		
6.12.86	SAT	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H		
13.12.86	SAT	SOUTHEND UNITED	H		
20.12.86	SAT				League Cup 3rd Round
27.12.86	SAT	WIMBLEDON	H		
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## JUNIOR ROBIN



As the number of Junior Robins attending weekend matches tends to be higher than those who come to evening matches I thought I would leave information regarding the set up and forthcoming events for the Junior Robins this season until the Notts County game and use these notes to tell you something about the Course on the Family Face of Football that took place at Keele University during the Summer. While I came away feeling that the football authorities in this country are not sure whether they are coming or going (more of this below) I felt reassured that football is not dying but growing in health and strength and with some useful ideas that we might at some time be able to introduce here at the County Ground. Ted Croker struck an optimistic note pointing out that despite the fact that the time allocated to the teaching of football in schools has fallen to a third what it was in pre war days young people continue to vote with their feet by opting to play the game. In 1949 18,000 clubs were registered with the Football Association, today there are over 41,000. A comparison even with the boom post war period and the worst season of the eighties shows that while football gates have fallen by 57 per

cent other entertainment industries have fallen even more. Cinema attendances for instance were 94 per cent down. It is a fact of life that there are more things to do today and hence greater competition for people's time and money.

It is an incredible tribute to the drawing power of League football that despite a campaign of denigration by press and television, (many of whose operatives would be out of a job without the game) which it has been estimated would have cost an advertiser 5 million pounds, 400,000 people still turn up on an average Saturday to watch League Football. This is more than many sports would attract in a season. Last season saw the number of arrests at football matches fall by 50 per cent. How pleased the Government would be if such a drop was recorded across the whole of society. So there is plenty of room for optimism.

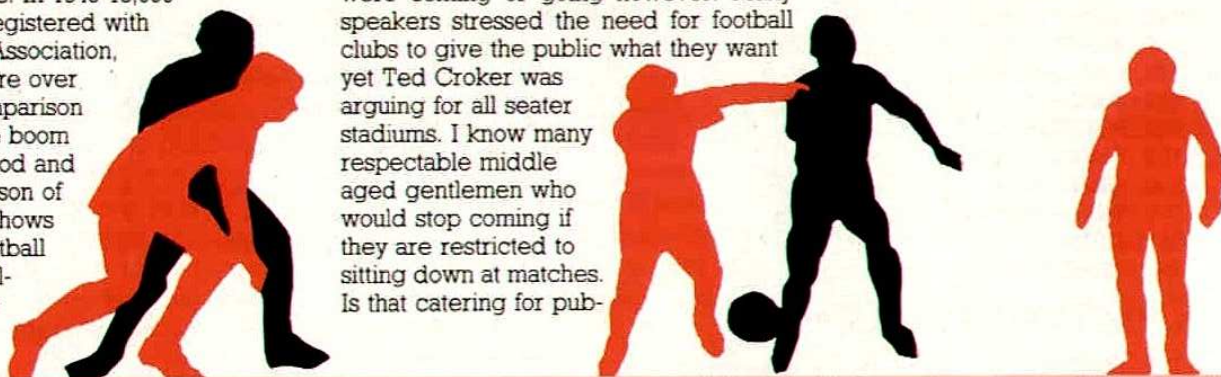
To go back to the point about the football authorities not knowing whether they were coming or going however. Many speakers stressed the need for football clubs to give the public what they want yet Ted Croker was arguing for all seater stadiums. I know many respectable middle aged gentlemen who would stop coming if they are restricted to sitting down at matches. Is that catering for pub-



Dick Mattick

lic demand? Representatives of Matchmates, Soccer as Family Entertainment and Supporters United all spoke of the importance of bringing down the barriers and encourage supporters of different teams to sit side by side like civilised human beings rather than baying at each other across metal cages like wild animals. It seems the F.A. are not in favour of supporters travelling to other Clubs grounds, seeming to have swallowed the attempts of the press to portray all fans as hooligans. This could deprive Clubs of as much of their gate receipts as ten per cent. Once again the F.A. is not totally sure it is coming or going as it does not feel it can ban away supporters from F.A. Cup matches (indeed its rules stipulate they must receive a share of tickets). I wonder why? Could it be because they receive a slice of the gate money? All this relates to the Junior Robins in that we hope they can be taught to be the sort of spectator who will bring credit to their Club and the game in general. If we succeed then football can begin to think of making life better for the real fan at matches, not just worse for the hooligan.

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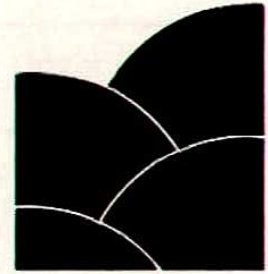
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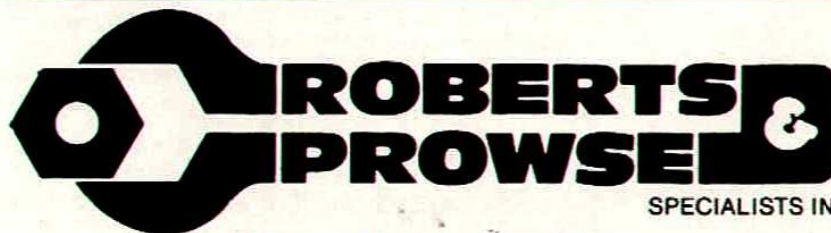


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# AROUND *The* CLUB

In welcoming you all to a new Season of football here at the County Ground, we also welcome you to a new style Matchday magazine. A tremendous amount of work has been engendered in producing a magazine, that we all hope that you here at this opening match of the 1986/87 Season will enjoy.

As Editor, I must record my grateful thanks to the help I have received from Chris Watson and Peter Lucas of Thamesdown Litho and the staff that they employ. My grateful thanks must also be expressed to the Club's Commercial Manager, Doug Buswell, contributors, Dave Eaton, Town Director Dick Mattick and Michael Scott. Without their voluntary assistance the task would have been doubly difficult.



The County Ground has received a considerable uplift during the Summer months. I am sure your first impression would have been to have noticed the newly painted red doors, now surrounding the Ground. The awful green colour has now been banished.

The sign that you observe on the adjacent wall to the County Ground Bookmakers, was donated by the excellently organised Travel Club.

Above the main entrance the equally splendid sign, depicting who actually habitate the Ground, was donated by the Supporters Club.

Swindon Town Football Club express their gratitude to both organisations and hope that the bond forged between the three organisations continues to flourish.



Within the confines of the Club itself, the reception area has received a face lift. The plants and the photographs which

depict the joys of last Season, serve as a lasting memory to the Clubs first ever League title. Within the Ground the crush barriers have all been painted in the Clubs colours. The tea huts have also been painted in similar hue.

Safety work still has to be finally completed on the North Stand, with the erection of four metal exits from the front of the Stand down onto the area of grass between the North Stand and the pitch itself. Brickwork has been completed in time for the new Season and replaces the majority of wooden construction previously employed within. Alas the Gallery Shop has now disappeared and hence all souvenirs, etc., can only be obtained from the Club Shop and Souvenir department. The Club Shops along with the almost completely renovated Supporters Social Club, have all seen considerable paintwork rejuvenated. Without doubt the bars within, will have witnessed many a bent elbow, before the Season is completed!



Jimmy Allan's testimonial brochure produced for the visit of Chelsea, brought further honour to the Club, when it was awarded the prize for the best of the Special Editions. Charlton Athletic's issue for their last League match played at their former ground, 'The Valley', came second, while Bristol Rovers issue for their F.A. Cup tie with Leicester City was placed third. The Wirral Programme Club followed suit after voting the 'Town Crier', last Seasons Club programme, the best in Division Four.



I am sure you will admire the devout efforts of the Clubs new groundsman, Geoff Warren, who has diligently worked

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to have the playing surface in condition to start the new Season. The transformation in the few weeks Geoff has been here at the County Ground, is phenomenal. Geoff found the pitch was actually out of measurement at the Town End. We were actually deprived of more space!



**If you visited the Ground in June**, you would not have believed your eyes! Fifty percent of the seats of the North stand had been removed due to maintenance work. That did not take into account the removal of Row A of the North Stand, which has now been lost to the Safety work designated for the County Ground. The Club maintenance officer, Mike Hughes, and his band of helpers, have had to work against the clock for you to take your seat for this evening's match.



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**For those of you who enjoy** watching the Town Juniors in action, our South East Counties team will be playing their home matches at **Lydiard**, by kind permission of Thamesdown Council. Fancy a Saturday morning jaunt to watch the young talent available? Then the **10.30 a.m. Kick Off** will interest you.



**Our first Football Combination match** of this Season will take place here at the County Ground on **Thursday afternoon, Kick Off 2.00 p.m.** against Fulham Reserves. For those of you that may be on holiday or at a loose end, why not come along and support the Clubs younger element.



**Don't forget the Town commence their League action on Sunday next, August 31st**, when Jimmy Sirell's Notts County provide the first opposition to the Town, in their opening match of their County Ground League fixtures. You can't afford to miss this tough opening match, can you?

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Being packed off to a Neasden uncle on 15th March 1969 as a five year old, whilst my parents watched the 'Rogers final', prevented this 'Town' fan from sharing in the Wembley triumph, but the atmosphere 10 years later as we

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13.9.86	SAT	CHESTER	H	
16.9.86	TUE	BLACKPOOL	H	
20.9.86	SAT	WALSALL	A	
27.9.86	SAT	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H	
30.9.86	TUE	MIDDLESBROUGH	A	
5.10.86	SUN	WIGAN ATHLETIC	H	
11.10.86	SAT	FULHAM	A	
18.10.86	SAT	CHESTERFIELD	H	
21.10.86	TUE	PORT VALE	A	
25.10.86	SAT	DARLINGTON	A	
1.11.86	SAT	YORK CITY	H	
4.11.86	TUE	BRISTOL ROVERS	H	
8.11.86	SAT	MANSFIELD TOWN	A	
15.11.86	SAT			F.A. Cup Round 1
22.11.86	SAT	BURY	A	
29.11.86	SAT	CARLISLE UNITED	H	
6.12.86	SAT			F.A. Cup Round 2
14.12.86	SUN	BRISTOL CITY	H	
21.12.86	SUN	DONCASTER ROVERS	A	
26.12.86	FRI	BRENTFORD	H	
27.12.86	SAT	GILLINGHAM	A	
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3.1.87	SAT	BURY	H	
10.1.87	SAT	BOLTON WANDERERS	H	F.A. Cup Round 3
17.1.87	SAT	NOTTS COUNTY	A	
25.1.87	SUN	NEWPORT COUNTY	H	
31.1.87	SAT	CHESTER	A	F.A. Cup Round 4
7.2.87	SAT	BLACKPOOL	A	
14.2.87	SAT	WALSALL	H	
21.2.87	SAT	ROTHERHAM UNITED	A	F.A. Cup Round 5
28.2.87	SAT	MIDDLESBROUGH	H	
3.3.87	TUE	YORK CITY	A	
7.3.87	SAT	DARLINGTON	H	
13.3.87	FRI	CHESTERFIELD	A	F.A. Cup Round 6
17.3.87	TUE	PORT VALE	H	
22.3.87	SUN	FULHAM	H	
28.3.87	SAT	WIGAN ATHLETIC	A	
4.4.87	SAT	MANSFIELD TOWN	H	7.30 p.m.
12.4.87	SUN	BRISTOL ROVERS	A	F.A. Cup Semi-Final
18.4.87	SAT	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	H	
20.4.87	MON	BRENTFORD	A	
25.4.87	SAT	DONCASTER ROVERS	H	
2.5.87	SAT	CARLISLE UNITED	A	
4.5.87	MON	GILLINGHAM	H	
9.5.87	SAT	BRISTOL CITY	A	
16.5.87	SAT			F.A. Cup Final



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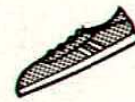
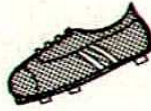


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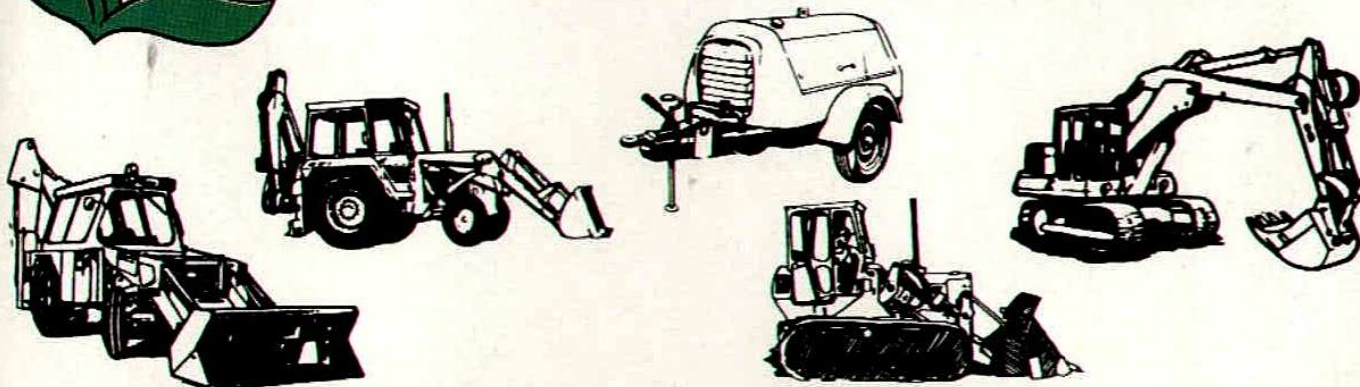
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