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# COUNTY GROUND

*Scene*

## FROM · THE · BOARDROOM

**Welcome to the County Ground for this afternoons match with Wigan Athletic.**

This is an appropriate and opportune time for me to offer the congratulations of all connected with Swindon Town Football Club to Mr and Mrs Rogers who were wed yesterday. This afternoon we are pleased to welcome them both as guests of our visitors Wigan Athletic.

This kind act by the Directors of Wigan Athletic emphasises the spirit and goodwill that exists within the game. Too often we see the exploitation of the more unsavoury aspects of our national game, brought to the fore, sadly it attracts far too much attention and therefore I have been personally very pleased to see that not only the local, but also the national press have given extensive coverage to an aspect of soccer which is probably not only unique but also a much more pleasant part of our particular sport.

We are all aware of the task confronting the club on Wednesday evening when we face Southampton in the Second Leg of our Second Round Littlewoods Challenge Cup match here at the County Ground. With a deficit of three goals the task is a very difficult one. To confront Peter Shilton and put four goals past him is a awesome thought. An early goal could set the tie for a grandstand finish, and there is still plenty to play for on the night.

Tickets for the match will be available up to and including the night of the match, but if you do intend to come along, please ensure that you try to purchase your ticket before Wednesday evening and save the problem of having to join a considerable queue.

I am sure you will provide the support



required to lift the team to give a creditable performance, all is not lost yet. Your support at Southampton was a reflection

of the spirit that exists within and surrounding the club at present. We have had plenty to cheer within this last year or so and it is most refreshing to see that we have been able to accept the odd setback graciously. I am sure that you are all able to sense that Swindon Town Football

Club is on a continual rise. That rise may not involve promotion in successive seasons but that a base is being laid to enable this club to progress further over a period of time. I think we would all like to think that the dark days that confronted Swindon Town Football Club a few years ago are now in the past.

*Brian Allcock*

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Swindon Town Football Club are proud to welcome Mr and Mrs Mike Rogers to this afternoon League encounter with Wigan Athletic. Mike who is a fervent and ardent fan of the club, first approached the club in total dismay that his wedding plans clashed with our provisional date with Wigan Athletic.

After approaching the officials Wigan Athletic a mutual decision was made so that Mike and the former Miss Stella Parvitt would be able to attend the match. It was agreed between our two clubs to stage the match on a Sunday.

Stella agreed to postpone her honeymoon so that Mike could attend the game, for Stella has no interest on football although we are sure that following today's match she will have second thoughts about soccer. Stella has seen the consideration afforded by both clubs to accommodate their wishes and along with many of yesterday's wedding guests they will now attend the rest of Swindon Town's home fixtures where possible this season.

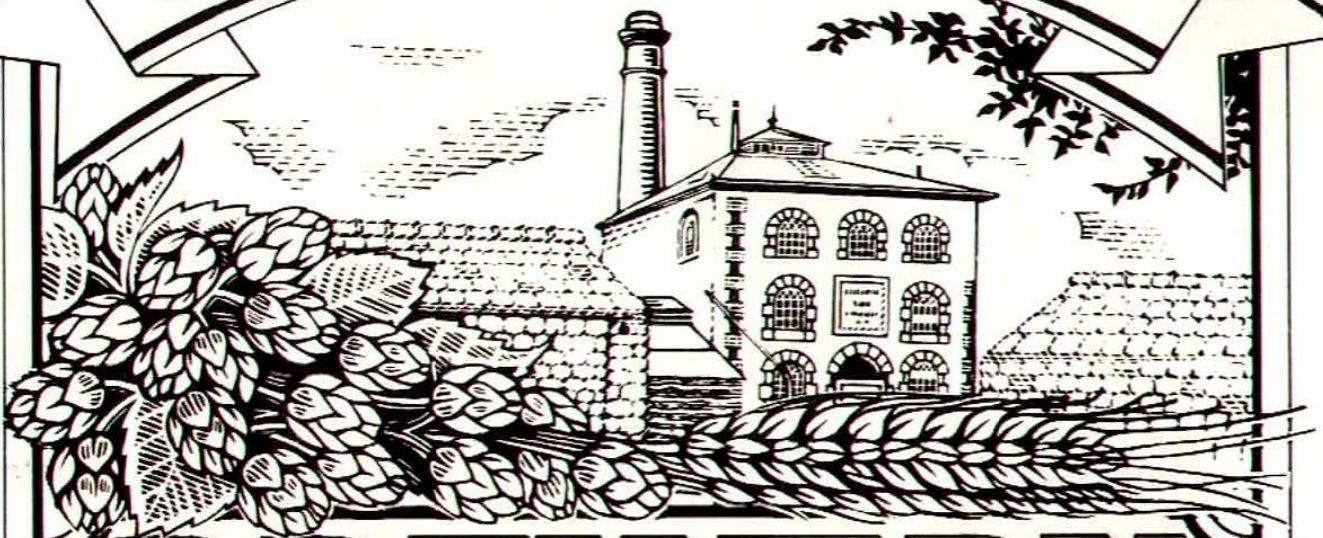
The attention the media have given to this human story has brought publicity to the couple in question but also to Swindon Town and Wigan Athletic. The name of football has been seen in a favourable light and both clubs are grateful for the kind consideration given to them by local and National Press and various Television Companies.

Swindon Town Football Club would like to thank the local evening newspaper 'Evening Advertiser' and our local radio station G.W.R. for their initial interest and the resultant publicity evolving from it.

The name of football deserves a break and in this instance the media have paid credence. They may have their critics at times but they have served two football clubs and a newly wed couple with dignity, we thank them for that act.

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I would like to begin my notes by offering my congratulations to Mr Mike Rogers and the former Mrs Stella Parvitt who were married yesterday. It is nice to know that football and happiness can go together. I personally hope that they both enjoy many happy years together.

Following the postponment of our match at Walsall we were faced with the prospect of being unable to get a bad result out of our system. It would have helped our preparation for the Southampton match to have played a match in the interim period.

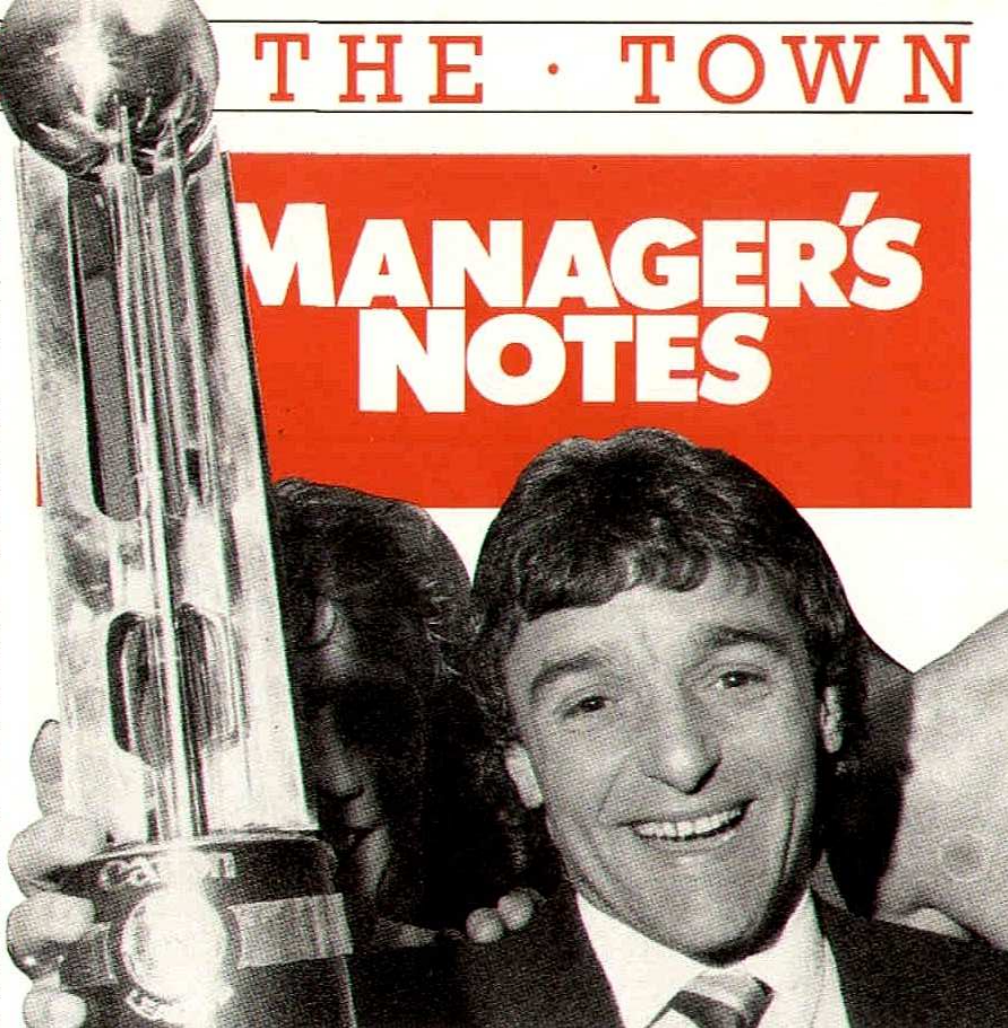
Instead we stayed for three days with the Inniskilling Dragoon Guards, it was a most enjoyable three days and we were able to train and live in solitude without the additional pressures that accompany periods leading up to an important Cup-tie.

It is now known what a difficult task we face next Wednesday following our 3-0 defeat at Southampton. Without wishing to take anything away from the merits of the First Division Club, I must again state that we gifted them all three goals, at present this seems to be never ending tale. It will be a tale with a happy ending though, for I am definitely on the look-out for defenders, we just cannot continue to give goals away at the rate we seem to be doing this season.

Fraser Digby, has joined Mark Jones here on loan, both players are with First Division Clubs and naturally I hope that they bring the good habits they should have developed from being with a club from the top division to the County Ground.

I have made no secret of the fact that I am on the look-out for another goalkeeper and Fraser may well suit my needs. He has an excellent opportunity to establish himself in League soccer during his months loan with Swindon Town.

Mark, who joined us from Oxford United, has had plenty of first team experience without being able to establish a regular place in their First Division team. Coming to the County Ground during this last month has given both parties an opportunity to see whether we can extend his stay further. At present I have not been



## MANAGER'S NOTES

able to see Mark settle into a combination that suits his style of play. Players react differently to given situations in different divisions.

During my travels to look at players who maybe of benefit to me here at the County Ground, I have come across many disappointments. I recently went to take a look at a full-back with a Second Division Club and to be quite honest he had a dreadful match. Travelling back to Swindon late that night my mind traced itself back to my native Scotland and some of the players I have seen performing North of the Border. Don't be surprised if you see an influx of one or two Scots in the South of England! We could do with a touch of aggression about our play, you could say we have one or two gentlemen in our team and unfortunately they do not win you points or matches in some places I could mention.

Wednesday night will be such an occasion, without that all out commitment and will to win, we have no

chance of putting ourselves in with a chance. Faint hearts will not put us into the Third Round draw on Thursday morning. Southampton are not so hot defensively and I believe Peter Shilton can be beaten. I know, I have been there. Our lads must believe in themselves, remember, 'Nothing is impossible'. I want you to all come on Wednesday and cheer and roar like you have never done before. We can still do it but not without that flat out commitment from fans as well as players.

*Don Mac*

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## SCENE

# on three

More ugly scenes to mar the name of football occurred during and after the Third Division clash last week between Bournemouth and Bristol City. These followed after the Dean Court Club had scored their second penalty of the game for a 2-0 victory.

Rioting began after City defender David Moyes was sent off for the foul that led to the penalty. Missiles were thrown as City manager Terry Cooper raced onto the field to plead with the referee to bring the players off. For his troubles he was promptly booked!

Last Saturday was a day to remember for goalkeeping debutants, for besides Fraser Digby making his League debut for the Town, versus Rotherham United, Nicky Hammond was doing likewise for Bristol Rovers, against Blackpool. Nicky on loan from Arsenal, was beaten twice in the two all draw, once by former Town striker Alan Mayes. Alan took his goal tally to five in the last

three matches, since being released on loan by Carlisle United manager Harry Gregg to the Bloomfield Road club.

Geoff Twentyman the 27-year-old former Preston North End central defender has signed a two-year contract with Bristol Rovers.

What an unfortunate start Walsall manager Tommy Coakley has made at Fellows Park. Since coming from nowhere to try his hand at League Management he's had to cope with serious injuries to his top players, a mystery virus that shut the ground and then Salmonella poisoning to his Club Captain Peter Hart.

If that was not enough to cope with, his team have become rooted to the bottom of the table, his leading goalscorer has a stress fracture of the foot and last week driving to work thinking at least things couldn't get worse, somebody smashed into his car!

To make matters even more unbearable, Port Vale recorded

their first home win with a late goal rush to beat Walsall 4-1 last weekend. Andy Jones put Vale ahead after thirty-five minutes when his low shot went through a defenders legs. On the hour Jones doubled Vale's lead with a penalty, before a two-goal burst from John Bowden and Robbie Earle. In the final seconds David Kelly scored for Walsall.

Nigel Greenwood, Bury's £15,000 signing from Preston North End helped himself to a hat-trick last week against Newport County, as Bury surged to their first league win of the season. They finally overcame the Somerton Park Club by the odd goal in seven. Former Town utility player Roy Carter scored his fourth goal of the season as County tumbled to defeat after twice taking the lead at Gigg Lane.

Following their single goal defeat at Darlington last weekend, Chester City remained the only team in the Division without a win to their credit before this weeks matches.

Going into this weeks matches only the three clubs at the top of the division remained unbeaten. Middlesbrough, who faced the Town still unbeaten last Tuesday were joined by Bournemouth and Gillingham.

This week brings the second leg of the Second Round of the Littlewoods Challenge Cup, for most Third Division clubs there is still the prospect of inclusion in Thursday mornings Third Round draw.

One club with no hope at all are Fulham, who carry the burden of a

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ten clear goal defeat from the First Leg at Anfield against Liverpool. Bristol City still have everything to play for at Bramall Lane after the 2-2 draw at Ashton Gate. City are not beyond snatching a second leg victory against Sheffield United.

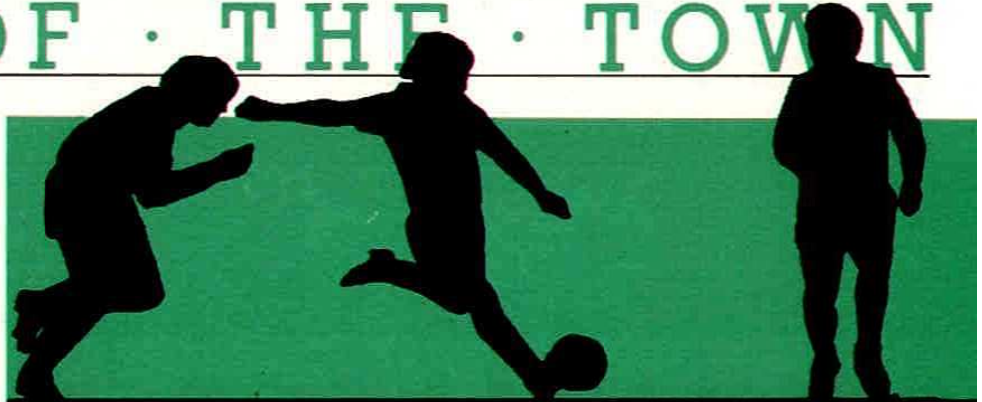
Rotherham United trail by one goal, after losing by the odd goal in five at Highfield Road against Coventry City. The First Division side look more capable this season of eventually going through. Middlesbrough travel to meet Birmingham City for the second leg after sharing four goals at Ayresome Park. They will find the going tougher at St. Andrews and will do well to survive.

Port Vale entertain Manchester United trailing by two goals. United are not a potent force these days and an early goal could well put the Old Trafford club under pressure.

Bury appear to have the best chance of survival by defeating Crystal Palace at Gigg Lane and so emphasise their superiority from the first leg.

York City will find Chelsea a more difficult proposition at Stamford Bridge and will probably have to concede final defeat.

So what of Swindon Town you may ask. The answer is clear, we have to beat the great Peter Shilton four times without reply. Impossible you may say, come to the County Ground next Wednesday evening and see!



## OUR LAST MEETING

**Since Wigan Athletic's election to the Football League in 1978, they have never met Swindon Town in league football or any of the cup competitions.**

**Whilst Swindon were making the trip down to Division 4 for the first time in their history in 1981-82, Wigan were setting a much better club record as they gained promotion to Division 3 for the first time ever.**

Athletic's election to the league was at the expense of Southport who last visited the County Ground in 1968. A Don Rogers hat-trick featured in a 5-1 victory with nearly 19,000 in attendance. The trip to Haig Avenue in January 1969 earned Swindon another point with Rogers again getting the goal in a 1-1 draw. Both of these matches took place in arguably the best season in Swindon Town's history, 1968-69 has become the yardstick by which each subsequent season is judged, last season came closest to nearing that fantastic achievement.

The same season saw Swindon's last ever league meetings with another now departed club - Barrow. A 3-0 victory at Holker Street with goals from Smart, Noble and Jones and a 2-0 win in the last game of the season at the County Ground came four years before Barrows decline in exchange for the arrival of Hereford United.

Two seasons earlier came Workington Town's last trip to Wiltshire before their failure to gain re-election in 1977 allowed Wimbledon to take their place.

The fixtures between the two clubs

brought maximum points for the "Town", winning 3-0 at home through Brown(2) and Penman and 3-1 at Borough Park by virtue of Smart, Penman and Terry. One of football's all time classic names, if not a classic team - Bradford Park Avenue, last played the "Town" 23 years ago, seven years before their demise and the rise of Cambridge Utd.

The last game of 1952 brought a 2-0 defeat at Park Avenue but the "Town" made amends four months later as Smith and Stevens earned a 2-1 win at the County Ground. More harsh lessons might be learnt at the bottom of Division 4 in May with another club falling into the non-league wasteland.

Thankfully both Wigan and Swindon are away from the 4th Division danger area and both have the potential to find a much higher niche in the football league. Neither side has however, made a particularly auspicious start to the new campaign but both will be keen to pick up valuable points today to rejoin the pack chasing the early season leaders.

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By Dave Eaton

## OUR VISITORS



## WIGAN ATHLETIC



Back Row:	Roy Tunks (Assistant Manager)	Barry Knowles	Paul Beesley	John Lowey	Nigel Adkins	Mark Schofield	Chris Thompson	Paul Cook	David Bingham (Physio)
Middle Row:	David Hamilton	Graham Houston	John Butler	Ray Mathias (Manager)	Alex Cribley	Ian Griffins	Paul Jewell		
Front Row:	David Lowe	Jimmy Mitchell							

This will be the first time ever that Swindon and Wigan Athletic have met in any form of match and we extend a very warm County Ground welcome to Wigan this afternoon. After many seasons of campaigning to join the Football League, Wigan were finally elected to the 4th Division in 1978, at the expense of Southport. They gained that place justifiably on the strength of an excellent non-league track record and fine facilities. In the ten years that the Northern Premier League had been formed, Wigan had by far the best overall playing record. Only twice in the ten seasons had they failed to finish in the top three at the end of a season and won the title twice. And in the 1977-78 season finished as winners of the Lancashire Junior Cup, runners-up in the Northern Premier League, semi-finalists in the Premier League Challenge Cup and in addition reached the 3rd round of the F.A. Cup before losing to Birmingham City. Since being elected to the Football League, they have in a short period of time consolidated themselves, moved up to a higher division and hold a unique record - the only club not to have been relegated.

In 1981-82 season they finished in third place in Division 4 with 91 points, the same as runners up Bradford City and were promoted together with Sheffield United (Champions), Bradford City and Bournemouth.

The success story continued and under the management of Bryan Hamilton, the former Swindon player, appointed March 1985 the club enjoyed its finest hour. After winning the Northern Section of the Freight Rover Trophy in a penalty shoot out against Mansfield, Bryan led Wigan out onto the hallowed turf in the inaugural Freight Rover Trophy Final on June 1st just a few months after taking over as boss of the Latics.

In front of a well behaved crowd of 39,897, a credit to the game, goals from Mike Newell, Tony Kelly and Davis Lowe gave Wigan a 3-1 victory over Brentford, and their first Football League Trophy.

This was to be the stepping stone to the club's best ever season in the league. Last season they only just missed out on promotion to Division 2 by one point, finishing in fourth place with 83 points, behind Derby (84 pts), runners up Plymouth (87 pts) and champions Reading (94 pts). Even the departure of Mike Newell to Luton Town in early January failed to halt the drive towards Division 2, and in late March Wigan seemed certain for promotion as they sat in second place.

But then only three victories and five draws in the last ten games finally ruined that dream. During this summer Bryan Hamilton accepted the lure of First Division football by taking over the management of Leicester City.

And the side that had taken Wigan so close to promotion was ripped apart with the departures of to scorer Warmen Aspinall and Kevin Langley to Everton, Colin Methven to Black-

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pool, Tom Kelly to Stoke and Steve Walsh to join Hamilton at Leicester.

Ray Mathias, number two at Springfield Park to Hamilton has taken over the reigns but has found the going very tough so far.

In the opening seven league games to date, his side have only won twice, the latest win being a 2-1 home success over Bolton.



## FACTS AT A GLANCE

**Ground:** Springfield Park

**Capacity:** 25,000

**Record attendance:** 27,500 v Hereford Untd. 12th December 1953.

**Record Receipts:** £29,169 v Aston Villa. League Cup 4th round, 1st December 1981.

**Founded:** 1932.

**Joined League:** Elected to Division 4 in 1978.

**Honours:** Football League: Division 3 last season - 4th 1985-86. Division 4, promoted (3rd) 1981-82. F.A. Cup - best season 4th round 1979-80 and 1985-86. Football League Cup - best season 4th round 1981-82. Freight Rover Trophy - Winners 1984-85.

**Most League Appearances:** Colin Methven, 296, 1979-86.

**Most League Goals:** Peter Houghton, 62, 1978-84.

**Record Victory:** 7-2 v Scunthorpe Untd. Division 4, 12th March 1982.

**Record Defeat:** 0-5 v Bristol Rovers, Division 3, 26th February 1983 and v Chelsea, F.A. Cup 3rd round replay, 26th January 1985.

**Managers of Note:** Allan Brown, Gordon Milne, Ian McNeil, Larry Lloyd, Bobby Charlton (acting), Harry McNally, Bryan Hamilton.

**Colours:** Royal blue shirts and shorts, white stockings.

**Change Colours:** Yellow shirts and stockings, red shorts.

**Nickname:** 'The Latics'.

## Meet the Players and Manager

### Ray Mathias (manager)

39 year-old former assistant at the club, became manager in June 86 when Bryan Hamilton departed for Leicester. Liverpool born Ray, a defender, played over 600 games for Tranmere, 567 of them in the league - his only club which he joined as an apprentice. Was coach and assistant manager at Tranmere before moving to Springfield Park.

### Roy Tunks (goalkeeper)

Born Wuppertal (W. Germany) signed from Preston four seasons ago on a free transfer. Made 277 league appearances for the Deepdale Club. Previous clubs Rotherham, York City (loan), Ipswich (loan), and Newcastle (loan). 35 year old Roy has just passed the 200 league appearance mark for the Latics, and has been appointed assistant manager.

## PREVIOUS MEETINGS NONE

*This will be the first between the two clubs.*

### Alex Cribley (defender)

Born Liverpool. Joined Wigan in 1980 from Liverpool where he gained considerable experience in the Central-League side. Over 200 league appearances for Wigan, 38 of them last season.

### David Lowe (striker)

Born Liverpool. A product of the Latics youth policy. Made his first team debut within two months of moving from the youth team. Joined the club in August 82. A member of the England Youth and under 19's sides.

### Paul Cook (midfield)

Born Liverpool. Another product of the youth policy. The 19 year old signed professionally on his 17th birthday and made his league debut against Reading in May 85. Made 13 league appearances last season.

### John Butler (defender)

Born Liverpool. 24 year old who joined the club from non-league Prescott Cables. Has the distinction of having played in every position on the field including goalkeeper!

### Paul Jewell (striker)

Born Liverpool. Celebrated his twenty second birthday last Sunday. An apprentice at Liverpool and a regular in the reserve team. Played six league games on loan to Wigan before signing permanent terms in February 1985.

### Barry Knowles (defender)

Born Wigan. Joined the Latics from Northern Premier League Club Barrow in October 1984. Missed just one league match last season - away to Derby on December 22nd.

### Ian Griffiths (winger)

Born Birkenhead. Made 38 league appearances last season for Wigan. Formerly with Tranmere, Rochdale and Port Vale. Can play in midfield or attack, and exciting player who enjoys runs to the bye-line.

### Christopher Thompson (forward)

Born Walsall. Signed in June 86 from Blackburn Rovers. Made 17 appearances in the Division 2 side last season. An experienced striker who started as an apprentice at Bolton and had a short period on loan to Lincoln before joining Blackburn in 1983/84 season.

### John Lowey (midfield)

Born Manchester. Another close season signing from Blackburn Rovers. An experienced midfield player who can also play in attack. Made nearly 150 appearances for the Rovers. Much travelled started as an apprentice at Manchester United and numbers among his former clubs Chicago Sting, Blackburn, Port Vale, California S, and Sheffield Wednesday.

### Nigel Atkins (goalkeeper)

Born Birkenhead. A schoolboy goalkeeper with Liverpool before joining Tranmere as an apprentice. Made 34 league appearances for the 4th Division side last season before joining Wigan in the summer for a fee of £3,000.

### Paul Beesley (central defender)

Born Wigan. Signed from Marine in 84. Made 17 league appearances last season.

### Mark Schofield (central defender)

Born Wigan. Signed as an apprentice three years ago in 1983. Very limited first team experience.

### Jimmy Mitchell (full-back)

Born Liverpool. Former apprentice made his league debut against Walsall on 17th March 85.

### David Hamilton (utility player)

Born South Shields. Signed in the summer from Blackburn Rovers for a fee of £16,000. A former apprentice at Sunderland and spent four years there but failed to make a break into the first-team. Signed by Howard Kendall when he was manager at Blackburn. Made a total of 114 league appearances for the Rovers and during that time had a short spell on loan to Cardiff.

### Graham Houston (winger)

Born Gibraltar. Signed in the summer from Preston. Made over 150 appearances for the Deepdale club whom he joined as an amateur.

### Bobby Campbell

Joined Wigan for a fee of £25,000 last Monday from Bradford City. Bobby has scored over a century of goals in the service of Aston Villa, Halifax Town, Sheffield United and Huddersfield Town.

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# Dick Mattick Takes a Nostalgic look at a Goalscoring Phenomenon



Most goals for Swindon in a League match. Most goals for Swindon in a season. Most goals for Swindon in a career. All these records belong to one man, David Hyman Morris, better known as Harry. Remarkable as his goal scoring statistics of 47 goals in a season and 217 in a career are, they do scant justice to a remarkable man. In the late twenties and early thirties the cry "Give it to Morris" was as common at the County Ground as the chant of "Lou Macari's red and white army" is today.

Born in London he played for the London Schoolboy XI. Between 1917 and 1919 he was in the army fighting in France but still finding time to play a lot of army football. A Fulham scout spotted him in a Sunday morning match and following one trial match for Fulham reserves in which he notched four goals he was signed on professional terms by the Craven Cottage Club. After one season with Fulham he moved to Brentford and then to Millwall. He finally left London and moved to Swansea. Here, despite scoring twelve goals in twelve first team appearances he was unable to get a regular place as the Second Division Club had the Welsh international centre forward, Jack Fowler, on their books. This enabled Swindon's Secretary Manager to persuade him to come to Swindon at the start of the 1926-27 season.

The headlines on his first appearance for Swindon, home match versus Southend United read as follows MORRIS LEADS ATTACK WITH RARE SKILL - THREE GOALS AGAINST SOUTHEND. A headed deflection from a cross by Denyer and a fine narrow angled shot following good work by Walsh gave Swindon a half time lead. A second half penalty sealed the points for Swindon and a hat-trick for Harry. A debut hat-trick is by no means unique, indeed Kelly and Mayes have both performed this feat for Swindon. However, two days later, in his second game Harry Morris incredibly scored another hat-trick. This time it was Exeter City who were the victims.

The Football Pink of the time described Morris as follows "of sturdy build and fine physique Morris seems to be just made for his job and by the look of him one would take him to be capable of standing the hurley burley of the most strenuous football. He has shown that he can infuse any amount of dash into his play but with the dash is blended skill and intelligence showing that he has made a through study of the game". It was in his first season that Harry set up his record of most goals in a season the forty seven goals he scored taking Swindon to fifth place in the table. It was in this season that Harry set the record for most goals (5) scored by a Swindon player in a League match. This is now a record equalled by Keith East. However, while Keith East only managed it once, Harry Morris did it twice. The first occasion came on December 18th in the home match with Queens Park Rangers which Swindon won by six goals to two. Three seasons later on 26th April 1930 he did it again scoring all five goals in a five one victory at Norwich.

A close look at the Cup run of the 1928-29 season gives as an indication both of Morris' style of play and his importance in the Swindon side of this period. In Round Three it was two goals by him that gave Swindon a well merited two one home victory over the famous Newcastle United. "The Mystery International" writing in Athletic News remarked that Swindon did not have to bring out their best to win and went on to describe the Morris goals. The first was the result of fastening on to a long through ball and finishing from a narrow angle (Harry himself rated this the best goal he ever scored for Swindon). The second, a close range effort resulted from being in the right place at the right time and shooting home a rebound from the keeper. The success of the Swindon centre forward on this day was made all the more remarkable in that he was being marked by Hill, an English International captain and acknowledged as one of the greatest pivots of the day.

Having overcome the Magpies Swindon had to travel to Turf Moor for the Fourth Round clash with Burnley. When after twenty nine minutes they led by three goals, two of them from Harry Morris it seemed Swindon were through. One reporter described Morris as having a paralysing effect on the home defence and claimed he might have had a dozen goals with a little more luck. Then, with that infuriating habit of snatching failure from the jaws of victory, often displayed by Swindon sides, the Lancashire Club were allowed to score three and earn a replay. This turned out to be a blessing in disguise as it merely enabled a 24,000 crowd to witness a three two Swindon victory in the replay. Poor old Harry was injured early in the game and forced to leave the field. There were no substitutes in those days and he returned to devastating effect turning home a Denyer cross from just inside the six

yard box for the deciding goal. Reports of the Fifth Round matches with "Lucky" Arsenal indicate how Morris' performance was usually a weather vane of Swindon's success or failure. On an Arctic County Ground pitch Roberts man for man marked Morris and earned a nil nil draw for Arsenal which they followed up with a one nil win at Highbury.

At five feet nine inches, Harry was comparatively short for a centre forward and a relatively small number of his goals were scored with his head. Indeed, according to contemporaries his elbows were more instrumental in causing havoc in opposing defences as his head. A shoulder charge from his sturdy twelve stone frame often removed defenders from his path. Superb fitness, speed of the mark and coolness in beating the keeper in one on one situations seem to be the assets that enabled him to be such a prolific scorer. His harrying (sorry about the pun) of defenders is often commented on in reports of the time and this meant that while he himself may not have scored, luckless defenders put through their own goals or left openings for his team mates.

It is worth remembering that the offside law was changed so that a forward needed to have only two opponents between him and the goal instead of three. This undoubtedly assisted Swindon's scoring supremacy whose ability to outpace defenders and fasten on to through balls was thus made more dangerous. Many of these through balls were supplied by Harry's inside colleague Alec Wall and it is mark of his respect for the former Everton player that he was convinced Swindon would have won promotion in 1927 had not Wall broken his leg in a Christmas fixture with Merthyr that season. In each of the seven seasons he wore the Swindon shirt Harry Morris finished as the Club's top scorer. Sadly as the years went by the number of goals he scored fell and with it so did Swindon's position in the table. Finally in the 1932-33 season Harry was top scorer with twelve goals but Swindon finished bottom of the League. Strangely his last goal for Swindon like his first came in a match with Southend.

Harry returned to his native London and after a spell with Clapton Orient moved into coaching with Cheltenham and then with Gothenburg in Sweden. With the coming of war Harry moved into government services in that country. When he eventually retired he had moved on to the United States where he died only recently.

By the way, the transfer fee Swindon paid for this goalscoring phenomena was just £110. That works out at very nearly fifty pence (or ten bob in those days) a goal. Eat your heart out Lou.

## CAPTAIN'S CORNER

WITH · COLIN CALDERWOOD

Now we all know the answer! To go into Thursday morning's draw for the Third Round of the Littlewoods Cup we have to score four goals against Southampton on Wednesday evening without reply.

Our job at Southampton was difficult enough, without being hampered as we were by the injury to Kenny Allen. On his own admittance, Ken thought in normal circumstances that he would have prevented at least two of the goals.

The injury to Ken put us under greater pressure and there were instances that can easily be pointed out where Ken's handicap increased our own deficiencies. Ken may have been able to cut out the corner we conceded, where George Lawrence eventually scored the 'Saints' second goal. Although both myself and Chris Ramsey must take our share of the blame, for I had shouted to Chris, to leave the ball to me, he didn't hear the call and subsequently I kicked his foot and we conceded a needless corner. Once again we had been the subject of what the 'Gaffer' refers to as our defensive mix-ups. I think anyone who has played in our defence this season will know that he is right.

If Ken had been fully fit, he would have cut out the cross from Jimmy Case that led to the first goal as well. We were caught out with the two goals so near to half time and I must admit that I did not know we were so near to the interval. It's well



known throughout football that this is the worst period to concede goals.

We showed a more determined attitude in the second half and probably Southampton relaxed a little, thinking they would probably add another goal or two. We slowed the game down and that frustrated any further ambitions they may have had.

Looking ahead to the second leg on Wednesday evening we will have to take heart from the fact that Norwich City have scored four goals against Southampton this season, while Manchester United have scored five. It is only fair to point out that in the match at Old Trafford, Peter Shilton was absent! Wimbledon scored twice against them last week. Having pointed out the goals against, we now have to consider the real problem we shall face here at the 'County Ground. The Southampton attack rarely fails to find the net in a match! They in fact had scored in every game up until yesterday's match with Newcastle United. We have to become the first team in the country

to keep the Southampton attack at bay and also beat Peter Shilton four times! A tall order you will agree, but we will be giving all we have got, to give you a match to remember.

We had a day off the other Saturday when we were due to play Walsall. I took the opportunity to relax and prepare for the trip to the Training Camp on Salisbury plain.

What a relief it was to get our first win at home in a league match last week when we beat Rotherham United. We started the match rather shakily and then we began to settle down and early in the second half we put the result beyond doubt with two goals in succession. We have a game in hand over the rest of the clubs and if we can get some sort of a result at Middlesbrough we will be making progress.

It really is a case of looking after our own results and not worrying about what other teams are doing. You must all have been impressed with the form shown by Fraser Digby who has joined us from Manchester United. For one so young, he really did show a lot of confidence and composure, one save particularly impressed me. It was only if you had been out there on the pitch that you would have appreciated the worth. The sun was low when we were defending the Stratton Bank end and it was difficult to see. Somehow Fraser managed to palm the Rotherham shot the right side of the post for a corner and save an embarrassing situation. He inspired the defence with his safe handling and if you had not known, you could easily have thought it was his one-hundredth match instead of his League debut. See you all on Wednesday?

Yours in sport.

Col Calderwood

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Come 9.10pm next Wednesday evening, we shall know if we have any further interest in this seasons Littlewoods Challenge Cup Competition. To retain any further interest, simple mathematics show that we need to score four goals without reply against First Division, Southampton. Logically any team with a three goal start should be able to defend that advantage. Halifax Town would appear formidable in such circumstances! Yet, an early goal could well see the tie set for a pulsating climax. Southampton will be more than aware of that fact. We have to hope that there is no logic or reason to the events of next Wednesday evening.

Irrespective of any impending drama or anti-climax you will have the opportunity to see England internationals. Peter Shilton and maybe Mark Wright if he has recovered from injury. Southampton manager, Chris Nicholl, added new Northern Ireland international Colin Clarke to his squad of players during the summer after paying Bournemouth a £400,000 fee. England Under-23 striker Danny Wallace has been absent from recent matches due to an injury he received in the recent league match with Liverpool at the Dell. Midfield skills are provided by David Armstrong and former Town player Glenn Cockerill. They are joined in midfield by the former Liverpool competitive player, Jimmy Case.

Whatever the outcome of that match we have to adjust a few days later when we travel to the riverside setting of Craven Cottage where we meet Fulham in a Third Division encounter. The Cottagers are now managed by former Chelsea and Sheffield United midfielder Ray Lewington. Life is difficult for the London club as they try to re-adjust their sights and aims to Third Division status. To date they have been able to retain their two England Under-21 internationals, Paul Parker and Dean Coney at the Cottage despite persistent reports that both have been set for the higher echelons of the Football League. It could be a match which most of the pundits will probably mark down as a X on their coupers.

A brief interlude follows when we visit Chippenham on the evening of Monday October 13th and enjoy the hospitality of the Western League club as we help to stage a match to switch on their new floodlights.

# LOOKING Ahead

That match is a prelude to more Third Division action at the County Ground the following Saturday when we entertain Chesterfield. Probably you can recall with pleasure the last visit the Saltergate club paid when we ran out easy winners by four clear goals. It was a New Years day when we were encamped in a mid-table position in the Fourth Division. Chesterfield are still managed by former Tottenham Hotspur and Scotland striker John Duncan. The Saltergate club repeated our 2-1 win at Bolton Wanderers in midweek. Their goalscorers were the evergreen Ernie Moss and Dave Caldwell. The former Mansfield Town striker spent a short spell on loan here two season ago. Paul Batty who was with the Derbyshire club last season is now with Fourth Division Exeter City.

An interesting character in the Chesterfield defence is goalkeeper Chris Marples. He also plays cricket for Derbyshire as a wicketkeeper, good enough to also open the batting on odd occasions.

On Tuesday evening October 14th, Swindon schoolboys entertain Bristol in a Cabot Cup match. An interesting feature of this years schoolboy team is the inclusion of Paul Trollope, the son of our Assistant Manager.

If you are interested in soccer at Junior level, why not come along and watch the Town youth team meet Tottenham Hotspur in the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup on Wednesday October 22nd, Kick off 7.30pm. Having defeated Reading by 7-0 in the first round the Town team will be looking to pit their skills against a First Division club.

Our youth team have interest in three Cup Competitions at present for having disposed of Bournemouth in a First Round replay of the South East Counties League Cup, we now entertain Brighton at Lydiard on Saturday November 1st with a morning Kick off. They are also involved in the Midland Youth Cup when they travel to meet Derby County at the Baseball Ground on Thursday October 18th. Plenty of Cup action for our Juniors, which brings a reminder that F.A. Cup action is not too far distant.

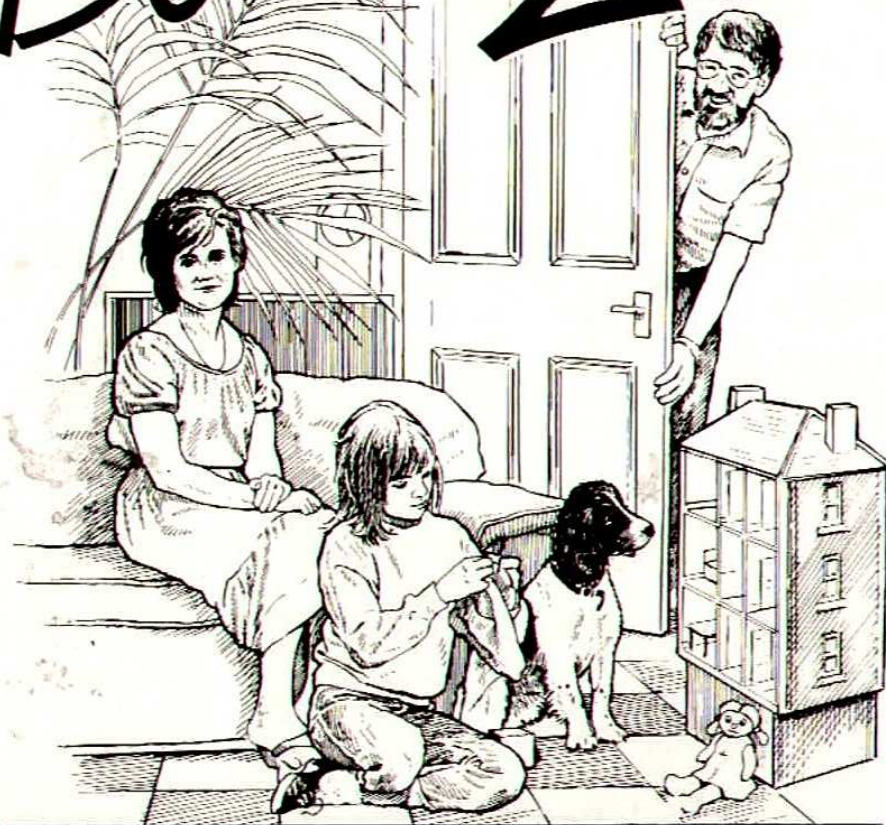
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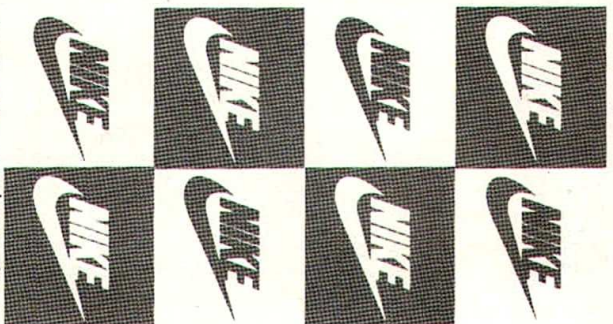


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## INTERVIEW



**Twenty-six year old, Alison Buswell, is the daughter of the Clubs' Commercial Manager.** Family unity seems to be a strongpoint of the resident Highworth family, for Alison assists her father Doug, in the Lottery department.

'I shall have completed eight years service with the club by the time Christmas comes. Previous to joining Swindon Town, I worked in Oxford with a typing agency dealing with students.'

Alison has become a keen fan of her fiancée, Wayne, who plays pool. 'I like pool and I enjoyed watching Wayne playing in the Heineken National Knock Out Competition, they reached the final and it was disappointing for us when the team lost.' Wayne only comes to the County Ground occasionally. 'I watch all the home matches but

I must admit to having lost some of the enthusiasm I once had.'

Alison found that the Bob Smith team that took the Club to the League Cup Semi-final a few seasons ago fired her imagination. 'Last season was obviously one of the better ones.'

Alison's working duties include dealing with all the money, banking accounts, typing and printing. 'In fact I do generally anything that requires to be done.'

'I work long hours like everyone else does at the club, my hours are basically from 9am until 5pm but of course I have to work matchdays, so that can involve Saturdays or evenings.' Despite the fact that Alison is engaged, it doesn't appear that she has any immediate plans to leave the club for wedded bliss, for she says that she has no immediate plans to join the wedded ranks.

She answered the inevitable question on whether her working relationship affected the situation with Doug at home 'That is no problem because I don't always see eye to eye with him.' The Buswell household is no different to any other in the country.

Alison is proud of her involvement in a Department that she believes is thriving. 'I don't believe that there is any club at our level doing any better than we are at a Commercial level.'

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# Mascot



### Doug Bold

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That choice is Wolverhampton Wanderers, Doug must obviously remember the better days of the Molineux club when 'The Doog and John Richards' were stars of the Midlands club. He is not quite old enough to recall Stan Cullis and the era of Hancock and Mullen when wingers were the regular fashion! Enjoy your day Doug and safe journey home.

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## RESERVES YOUTH

### TEAMS · TEAMS · TEAMS

Reserve team coach Andy Rowland has every reason to be pleased with the early season form displayed by our Football Combination team. They continued with their improved displays by collecting both points in the 2-1 success at Forest Green on Monday September 15th where they defeated struggling Bristol Rovers.

Two first half goals by Charlie Henry gave the Town a comfortable half time lead following a promising first half display. Where the form had been pleasing in the first half, the second half was as disappointing. In a lethargic second half display The Town allowed Iles to reduce the arrears for a young Rovers team from the penalty spot.

Our youth team paid the penalty for relaxing ten minutes from time in their South East Counties League Cup match at Bournemouth on Saturday September 20th. They conceded two late goals and were forced into a replay from a match they should have won easily.

Gary Gillett put the Town ahead from a direct free kick after ten minutes from thirty yards. Nicky Hughes added a second for the Town only ten minutes later.

Bournemouth reduced the arrears when Keen the Dean court clubs striker netted from a lucky rebound. Nicky Hughes restored the Town's lead to two goals with a chipped shot.

With a 3-1 half time advantage the Town saw Lewis cut the arrears for Bournemouth in the fifty-sixth minute. Nicky Hughes completed his hat-trick just two minutes later when he converted a Nigel Packer centre. A mistimed tackle by Dave Barnett allowed Randle to reduce the arrears ten minutes from time and five minutes later Keen completed his hat-trick for the home team and forced the Town into what should have proved an unnecessary replay.

\*Late news: \***Gary Gillette** who has been an apprentice with the club for the last two years, has signed a monthly contract with the Town.

\***Nigel Packer** is the latest addition to the Town's Trainee Ranks.

\*The Football Combination team match with Chelsea at the County Ground on Tuesday October 7th has been postponed due to our Littlewoods Challenge Cup second round, second leg match with Southampton here at the County Ground the following day.

\*In the second round of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup we entertain Tottenham Hotspur at the County Ground on a date yet to be arranged.

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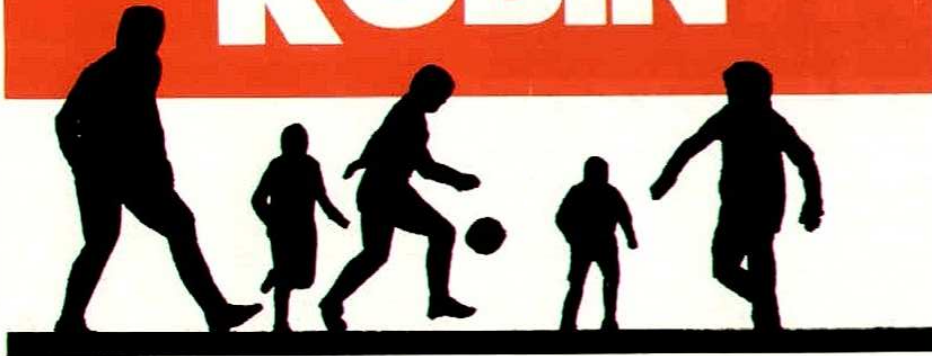
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## JUNIOR ROBIN



The October meeting of the Junior Robins will take place tomorrow in the Supporters Club at 5.30 p.m. We hope to have Colin Calderwood talking about the Club's success last season and passing on some tips about his marvellous tackling and heading ability.

The Junior Robins Football team is now taking shape. The Under 13 Squad has been sorted out but the tremendous response, over fifty turning up for the first session, that we have had little chance to do much with the Under Eleven Group and John Timms would very much appreciate an assistant to look after this age group.

I have some good news for those of you who are regular attenders here at League matches. The Club has decided to make Junior Robin Season tickets available. It has been pointed out to us that having to go to the ticket office every match consumes time both for young spectators and the ticket sellers. The cost of such a ticket will be proportionate to the number of home league matches remaining and



full details can be obtained from Mr Dave King in the Club Office.

I am also pleased to say that after consulting with the stewards prior to the Rotherham game it seems Junior Robins are not the people whose behaviour has been causing concern in the Green Block. However, one understandable thing that does happen in the excitement of the moment, is kicking the back of the plastic seats. With the ball heading for goal it is almost a reflex action to try and help it in. Try to curb it though. The seats are expensive and replacing broken ones is time consuming.

Finally a word search. The nicknames of eight of our Third Division rivals are hidden in the letters below. Name the clubs and their nicknames and put them on a postcard addressed to me c/o The County Ground. Chris Scott has kindly donated a number of copies of his book "Nothing is Impossible" on the 1985-86 here at, the County Ground. Copies of this will go to the senders of the first two all correct entries.



Dick Mattick

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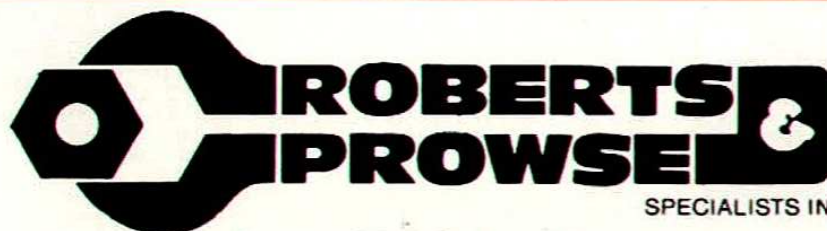


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# AROUND *The* CLUB

With our recent League fixture against Walsall postponed due to an outbreak of gastro-enteritis, the Town backroom staff took advantage to scour the country checking on players and teams. Team manager Lou Macari travelled to The Dell to take in the First Division match between Southampton and Liverpool. Assistant Manager John Trollope watched the high scoring Third Division clash between Brentford and Darlington at Griffin Park. Player-Coach Andy Rowland travelled to the midlands to watch Wolverhampton Wanderers entertain Burnley at Molinieux.

Lou had a frustrating period recently in trying to bring new faces to the County Ground. After enquiring about the availability of a defender with a Northern Club, the same day the manager departed for another club, and any proposed deal came to an immediate halt.

Once again an enquiry about a defender with a First Division club was brought to an immediate halt when the club manager declined to release the player, having turned down one offer from another club and then stating he intended to include that particular player in his first team as soon as possible. Two possible deals put on ice for the time being?

Swindon Town Football Club would like to thank Mr Bert Martin for stepping into the breach while our groundsman Geoff Warren took a recent weeks holiday on the Isle of Wight. Bert took care of the pitch for our matches with Chester City and Blackpool.

Two of the club assistants on matchdays and also on a part-time basis in midweek, namely Mr Bob Richens and Mr Peter Smith aided the club during the recent holiday of the club maintenance officer Mike Hughes by being on stand-by duty for the emergency floodlighting generator for the match with Blackpool recently. They both did a fine job, but why didn't you pull the plug, Bob? No one wanted to see those six goals! Many thanks all the same.

Our away match at Darlington will now be played on Sunday October 26th, Kick-off 6.30pm. The request to play on Sunday was made by the Feethams Club and the later time will allow there to be no clash with the televised match that same afternoon.

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Jimmy Gilligan going close for the Town soon after scoring his first goal for Swindon against Rotherham.



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The club needs quite a high income to enable Third Division football to be staged at the County Ground. It is however a constant battle to find new people to assist our department in these many forms of fund raising. We believe that every genuine supporter of the Club could help us in some way or another to further our aims. So please why not contact us as soon as possible to find out how you could assist the Club to further success.

We know that quite a number of you help by the buying and selling of lottery tickets or by sponsoring a Third Division match, playing kit, or the match ball. Also many of our local business men have purchased advertising space around the County Ground, in our programmes, and brochure. This help is appreciated by everyone here at the Club. However if anyone reading these notes thinks that they could help in one form or another then please do not hesitate to contact us. We will visit you at home or work at any reasonable time to discuss with you any topic you wish to talk about. So why not give us a call.

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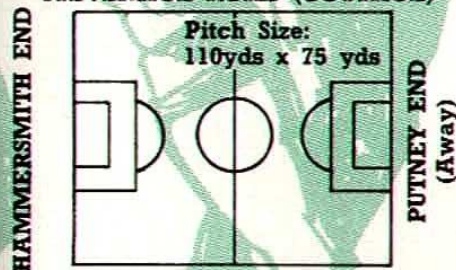
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McLeans (South West) Ltd	13 September	Chester City	Div 3	Mr Perry, Gardiners Row Business Centre, Liverpool
Bevan Bros. Haulage Contractors A P Silk Licenced Valuer, 38 High Street, Highworth G Holborow, Sherbourne News, Nythe	16 September	Blackpool	Div 3	Mr G Williams, The Ring Cafe
British Tissue Ltd The Oxford & Swindon Co-operative Society	27 September	Rotherham	Div 3	Mr Arther Done
Mr Ray Hall, Avonclass Autocare, Okus Trading Estate, Swindon	5 October	Wigan Athletic	Div 3	Mr R Warren and family, Lambourn
Field Packaging of Thatcham	8 October	Southampton	L Cup	The Stratton Bankers'
Skurrys, Drove Road, Swindon	18 October	Chesterfield	Div 3	Simon Bayliss, North Brickhill, Bedford
Mr A Holland, High Close Soft Fruit, Hungerford	1 November	York City	Div 3	Mr Webb and family of Lydiard Milicent
Action Plant Ltd	4 November	Bristol Rovers	Div 3	Terry Coffey, M Troop, 24 Signals Regiment, Wildenrath BFPO 42
Roy Allen Supplies Swindon	29 November	Carlisle Utd	Div 3	Robins out of Town
Transplant Ltd Swindon	14 December	Bristol City	Div 3	Cliff Jones, Wessex Aluminium
Mr M Bevan, Mr J Lovatt, Mr J Lafford	26 December	Brentford	Div 3	Mr M Bevan, Mr J Lovatt, Mr J Lafford
	3 January	Bury	Div 3	Mr R Franklin of The Rat Trap
Glasurit Valentine Tenco Industries Ltd	10 January	Bolton Wanderers	Div 3	The Blunsdon House Hotel
J Arkell & Sons	25 January	Newport County	Div 3	Mr P Neal, The County Ground Hotel
McLeans (South West) Ltd	14 February	Walsall	Div 3	Mr Godwin, The Princess, Beatrice St.,
Crosby Doors	28 February	Middlesborough	Div 3	Mr Adamczyk and son Steven
Mr Green, North View, East Garston Nr. Lambourne	7 March	Darlington	Div 3	The Pete Allen Band 694828
	17 March	Port Vale	Div 3	Mr Paul Gilchrist, Swindon Fitness Ctr
Metalite Ltd	22 March	Fulham	Div 3	Mr Gerry Boydell
	4 April	Mansfield	Div 3	Mr G Groombridge, Bath Road Garage
	18 April	Bournemouth AFC	Div 3	Mr Kirkland of Wootton Bassett
	25 April	Doncaster	Div 3	Mr Roger Bunce, Southmoor, Oxon
	4 May	Gillingham	Div 3	Mr J Tremlin, Coped Hall Service St.

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## STANDING VIEW

### FROM · THE · TERRACE

Once again Swindon Town's third division support embarrassed their first division opponents as they roared their side on at Southampton on September 23rd.

Even the most casual of travelling fans seemed determined to be at the Dell to get behind the "Town" and were a credit to the club as they provided ninety percent of the atmosphere. But how would Swindon have fared had that large contingent

of fans been barred from "the Dell"? Facing an empty away terrace and hearing only faint cries of "when the Saints go marching in" could only have amplified the nerves of the "Town" players with the mammoth task that faced them.

At the moment the total destruction of real atmosphere at football matches seems to be widely thought of as the solution to the problems surrounding the game. There can be

no disagreement that drastic measures are needed, but kicking out the games loyalist followers, deprives rather than saves this great game.

To illustrate this we only have to consider the Ipswich and Southampton Cup games, which would surely have been much the poorer without the loud support coming from the away enclosure. With the big clubs signing blank cheques for transfer fees again, it seems strange that they cannot afford to implement a national identity card system in order to eradicate the evil element. Banning away fans?... What next? no one at Wembley for the Cup final? or even more ludicrous playing on plastic!

by **Michael Scott**

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Two new additions to the club playing staff in recent weeks have been -left- Denny Mundee who has signed a one year contract with the Town and Mark Jones -right- who is currently on a months loan from Oxford United.



Rotherham's Winston Campbell meets a horizontal Mark Jones in the Town's victory at the County Ground last week.

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Dave Bamber sliding back into first team duty in last week's win over Rotherham.



# SWINDON TOWN

*In Focus*



Chris Kamara and Mark Jones (right) in midfield action against Rotherham last Saturday.

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## RESULTS TO DATE

### Football Combination

AUG	28	FULHAM	(H)	3-1
SEP	3	CRYSTAL PALACE	(A)	2-2
	7	OXFORD UNITED	(H)	3-4
	10	NORWICH CITY	(A)	6-2
	15	BRISTOL ROVERS	(A)	2-1
	25	Q.P.R.	(A)	2-2
OCT	2	TOTTENHAM H.	(A)	

### South East Counties League

AUG	23	SOUTHAMPTON	(A)	2-5
	27	WIMBLEDON	(A)	2-0
	30	READING	(H)	5-0
SEP	2	NORTHAMPTON	(A)	2-5
	6	BOURNEMOUTH	(A)	3-1
	13	SOUTHEND	(H)	6-0

### South East Counties League Cup

SEP	20	BOURNEMOUTH	(A)	4-4
	27	BOURNEMOUTH	(H)	2-0

### Southern Junior Floodlit Cup

SEP		READING	(H)	6-0
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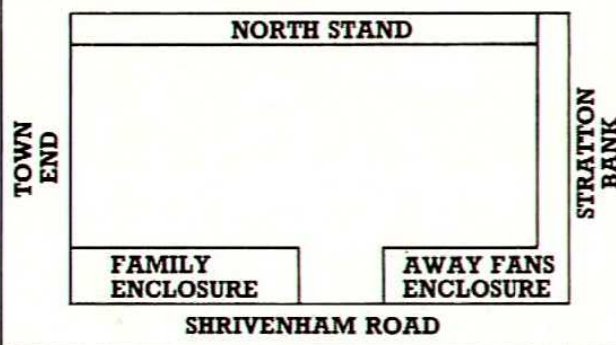
## FOOTBALL LEAGUE FIXTURES

1986-87

Swindon Town

DATE		OPPONENTS	V	Attnd	Result
23.8.86	SAT	BOLTON WANDERERS	A	5,684	2-1
26.8.86	TUE	TORQUAY L.C.	H	4,749	3-0
31.8.86	SUN	NOTTS COUNTY	H	7,350	1-2
2.9.86	TUE	TORQUAY UNTD L.C.	A	1,100	3-2
6.9.86	SAT	NEWPORT COUNTY	A	3,796	2-2
13.9.86	SAT	CHESTER	H	5,522	1-1
16.9.86	TUE	BLACKPOOL	H	6,622	2-6
23.9.86	TUE	SOUTHAMPTON L.C.	A	10,826	0-3
27.9.86	SAT	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H	4,055	2-0
30.9.86	TUE	MIDDLESBROUGH	A	9,221	0-1
5.10.86	SUN	WIGAN ATHLETIC	H		
8.10.86	WED	SOUTHAMPTON L.C.	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.C. R.1			
22.11.86	SAT	BURY	A		
29.11.86	SAT	CARLISLE UNITED	H		
6.12.86	SAT	F.A.C. R.2			
14.12.86	SUN	BRISTOL CITY (11.30 a.m.)	H		
21.12.86	SUN	DONCASTER ROVERS	A		
26.12.86	FRI	BRENTFORD	H		
27.12.86	SAT	GILLINGHAM	A		
1.1.87	THU	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	A		
3.1.87	SAT	BURY	H		
10.1.87	SAT	BOLTON WANDERERS	H	F.A.C. R.3	
17.1.87	SAT	NOTTS COUNTY	A		
25.1.87	SUN	NEWPORT COUNTY	H		
31.1.87	SAT	CHESTER	A	F.A.C. R.4	
7.2.87	SAT	BLACKPOOL	A		
14.2.87	SAT	WALSALL	H		
21.2.87	SAT	ROTHERHAM UNITED	A	F.A.C. R.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.C. R.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 (7.30)	H		
12.4.87	SUN	BRISTOL ROVERS	A	F.A.C. S.F.	
18.4.87	SAT	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	H		
20.4.87	MON	BRENTFORD (11 a.m.)	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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YOUR NEXT MATCHES AT THE  
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CHESTERFIELD  
SATURDAY OCTOBER 18th KICK-OFF 3 pm

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Allen	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Cole	Calderwood	Bamber	Henry	Wade	Coyne (2)	Barnard	Ling	
Allen	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber (2)	Henry	Wade(1)	Coyne*	Ling*	McLoughlin/Gilligan	
Allen	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Cole	Calderwood	Coyne*	Henry	Bamber	Wade	Barnard	White (1)	
Allen	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Cole	Calderwood	Bamber (2)	Henry	Wade(1)	Coyne	McLoughlin	Parkin/Ling	
Allen	McLoughlin	Hockaday	Kamara	Cole	Calderwood	Bamber	Henry	Wade(2)	Coyne*	Ling	Gilligan	
Allen	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Cole	Calderwood	Bamber	Henry*	Wade	McLoughlin	Jones	White (1)	
Allen	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Cole	Calderwood	Jones	Ling*	Wade	White	Barnard (2)	Gilligan	
Allen	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Coyne	Jones	Wade	Gilligan	Barnard	Henry/McLoughlin	
Digby	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Jones	Gilligan(1)	Wade	Bamber(1)	Barnard	Coyne	
Digby	Ramsey	Hockaday	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Jones	Gilligan*	Wade	Bamber	Barnard	Coyne	

## HOT SHOTS

### Division 1

Webb (Notts Forest)	10
Allen (Tottenham H.)	10
Rush (Liverpool)	9
McMahon (Liverpool)	8
Birtles (Notts Forest)	7
Clarke (Southampton)	7
Aldridge (Oxford Untd)	7
Cottee (West Ham)	5
Sheedy (Everton)	5

### Division 2

Futcher (Oldham)	10
Senior (Reading)	7
Shearer (Huddersfield)	6
Summerfield (Plymouth)	5
Davison (Derby. C)	5
Garner (Blackburn R)	5
Quinn (Portsmouth)	5
Robinson (Shrewsbury)	5
Waller (Shrewsbury)	5

### Division 3

Walwyn (York C)	7
Jones (Port Vale)	7
Cooke (Brentford)	5
Walsh (Bristol City)	5
Bamber (Swindon)	5
Stephens (Middlesbrough)	5

### Division 4

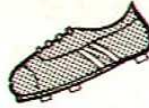
Thomas (Preston)	7
McCarthy (Swansea)	7
Nardiello (Torquay)	7
Cadette (Southend)	5
Harrison (Swansea)	5
Lister (Scunthorpe)	5
Taylor (Rochdale)	5



Congratulations to Mike Rogers and Stella Pavitt who were married yesterday. A relieved Mike is able to watch today's match due to the consideration of his bride of twenty-two hours. Stella agreed to accept a delayed honeymoon to enable soccer fanatic Mike to watch this afternoon's match. Can their presence bring us three points and round off a marvellous weekend?



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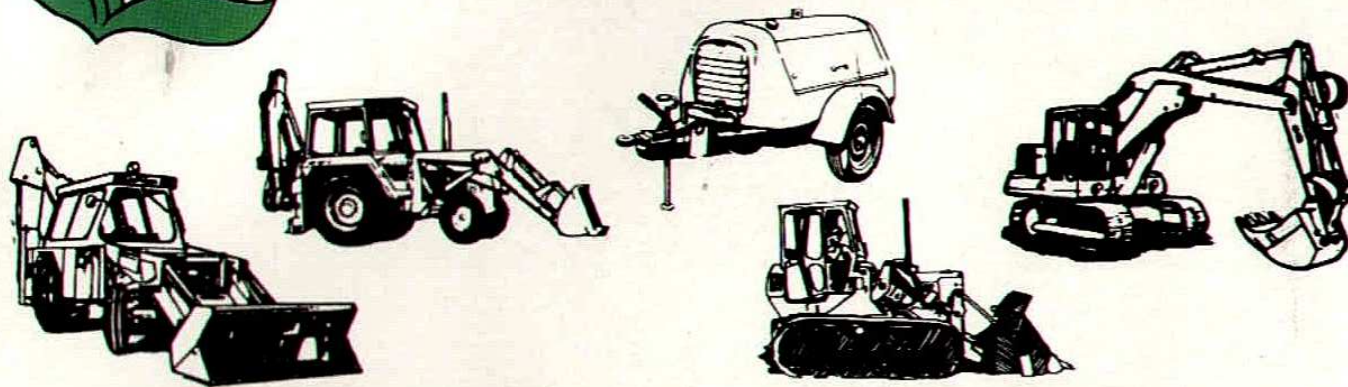
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