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publication. Because of this, the views  
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## INSIDE THE COTTAGE

Although we lost 1-2 to Southend United in the Freight Rover Trophy on Tuesday, we have still been defeated in only two of our last thirteen games. That sounds like promotion form, but of course five of those matches resulted in draws and only three out of the eight League games resulted in victories. In fact since our 0-3 home defeat by Bristol City we have taken just thirteen points from the eight League matches. Under the old points system (two for a win, one for a draw) we would have currently been in a slightly better position, but a draw is effectively worth less than it used to be and if we are to have any chance of winning promotion we must capitalise on Saturday's League victory over Carlisle and continue to win our home games. Ray Lewington and Jack Burkett, and all the first team squad, are confident we can do just that.

Today of course we have another break from League football and welcome Swindon Town for what promises to be an excellent cup-tie. Should today's game result in stalemate, the replay will be at The County Ground, Swindon next Tuesday 13th January — kick-off 7.45 p.m. In this case our Division Three clash with Rotherham, originally scheduled for today and currently scheduled for Tuesday night, will again be re-arranged.

To return to the Freight Rover Trophy for a moment, we are of course through to the next round despite Tuesday's defeat. Those of you who turned out for this fixture witnessed a 'Fulham first' — it's not often a team makes ten changes for a cup-tie — and who knows, you may also have seen our first home match on the way to a Wembley Cup final. Mr. M.W.L. Craig, a regular Fulham supporter now exiled in the wilds of Hackney, tells us he has heard that the next stage of this competition will involve a mini-league of six teams, five of which will qualify for the next round when they have all played each other at home and away (with replays as necessary) and following extra time and penalty shoot-outs. There will be five points for a win, one and a half points for a draw and away goals will count treble. The final will be played on Christmas Day 1987 kick-off 6.45 a.m. He's got it wrong — honestly — but we know how he feels. In fact, as we stated in the programme for the game against Southend, the draw for the next round will be made during the week beginning 19th January. It will probably be made on TV A.M. so if you happen to be an early riser you might like to tune in. Unfortunately, we don't yet know on which day the draw will be made.

### NEXT TODAY LEAGUE MATCHES

#### Today League Division Three

**ROTHERHAM UNITED**

**Tuesday, 13th January**

**K.O. 7.30 p.m.**

*(assuming no F.A. Cup Replay)*

#### Today League Division Three

**CHESTER CITY**

**Saturday, 24th January**

**K.O. 3.00 p.m.**



# MATCH FACTS 1986-87

△ Injured  
• Substituted  
c Sent off

Date	Opponents	Res.	Pos.	Att.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Aug. 23	Rotherham United	0-0	-	3,279	Vaughan	Marshall	Gore	Scott	Stappes	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Cottingham
Aug. 26	Aldershot LC1 1st Leg	3-1	-	2,183	Vaughan	Marshall	Gore	Scott	Cottingham	Parker	Barnett	Kerrins	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Denman & Hicks
Aug. 30	Blackpool	0-1	19	3,900	Vaughan	Marshall	Gore	Scott	Cottingham	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Cottingham
Sept. 3	Aldershot LC1 2nd Leg	2-0	-	2,938	Vaughan	Marshall	Gore	Scott	Stappes	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Brathwaite
6	Chesham	2-2	18	2,968	Vaughan	Marshall	Gore	Scott	Stappes	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
13	Brentford	1-3	22	4,791	Vaughan	Marshall	Oakes	Scott	Cottingham	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
16	Bolton Wanderers	4-2	-	2,434	Vaughan	Marshall	Oakes	Scott	Gore	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Shreeve & Braithwaite
20	Notts County	3-2	11	4,452	Vaughan	Marshall	Oakes	Scott	Hoddy	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
23	Liverpool LC2 1st Leg	0-10	-	13,498	Vaughan	Marshall	Cottingham	Scott	Oakes	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
27	Middlesbrough	2-2	13	3,952	Vaughan	Marshall	Oakes	Scott	Oakes	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
30	Walsall	1-1	-	4,170	Vaughan	Marshall	Oakes	Scott	Cottingham	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
Oct. 4	Port Vale	1-0	11	3,812	Vaughan	Marshall	Oakes	Scott	Cottingham	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
7	Liverpool LC2 2nd Leg	2-3	-	7,864	Vaughan	Marshall	Cottingham	Scott	Hicks	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
11	Swindon Town	0-2	12	4,708	Vaughan	Marshall	Cottingham	Scott	Hicks	Parker	Barnett	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
18	Wigan Athletic	0-2	15	2,495	Vaughan	Marshall	Cottingham	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
21	Bristol Rovers	2-2	-	2,361	Vaughan	Marshall	Hicks	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
25	Bury	2-1	11	2,685	Vaughan	Marshall	Hicks	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
Nov. 1	Doncaster Rovers	1-2	12	2,258	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
4	Chesham	0-3	-	2,249	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
8	Bristol City	1-3	17	4,463	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
15	Hereford United FAC1	3-3	-	3,777	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
22	Carlisle United	3-1	14	2,462	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
24	Hereford United FAC1R	4-0	-	3,582	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
29	Darlington	3-1	12	3,367	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
Dec. 2	Cambridge United FRT	4-0	-	1,255	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
6	Newport County FAC2	2-0	-	4,052	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
13	Manstow Town	1-1	13	3,563	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
20	York City	2-2	13	2,750	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
26	Gillingham	2-2	13	5,987	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
Jan. 1	A.F.C. Bournevouth	2-3	14	8,670	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
3	Newport County	0-0	13	2,388	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
6	Carlisle United	3-0	13	3,700	Vaughan	Marshall	Hopkins	Scott	Oakes	Hicks	Hoddy	Achampong	Conroy	Kerrins	Levinger	Hoddy
10	Southern United FRT	1-2	-	-	Billy	Hicks	Carr	Shinton	Gore	Thomas	Harrow	Achampong	Braithwaite	Cottingham	Ekans	Hoddy & Bailey
13	Swindon Town FAC3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	Rotherham United	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	Blackpool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24	Chester	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	F.A. Cup Round 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb. 7	Brentford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Bolton Wanderers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	Notts County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Middlesbrough FAC5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	Walsall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar. 3	Doncaster Rovers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Bury	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	Wigan Athletic FAC6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	Bristol Rovers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	Swindon Town	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	Port Vale	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apr. 4	Bristol City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11	Chesterfield FAC SF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	Newport County	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	Gillingham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	York City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	Darlington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	A.F.C. Bournevouth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9	Mansfield Town	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	F.A. Cup Final	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**LATE NEWS:** Despite what we say in "Inside the Cottage" on page 3, the draw for the next round of the Freight Rover Trophy has in fact been made. We are at home to Northampton on Tuesday 20th January, kick-off 7.30 p.m.



**TODAY LEAGUE DIVISION THREE**

(Up to and incl. 4th January 1987)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Middlesbro	24	8	2	2	21	9	6	4	2	17	11	48
Notts Co.	23	9	2	1	29	8	4	3	4	14	14	44
Gillingham	24	9	2	1	24	7	4	3	5	13	18	44
Bournemouth	22	10	0	1	22	10	3	4	4	13	16	43
Blackpool	22	7	4	1	20	8	4	4	2	21	13	41
Swindon	24	7	1	4	21	16	5	4	3	17	13	41
Bristol C.	23	5	4	2	19	10	5	2	5	13	10	36
Wigan	24	6	4	2	24	15	4	1	7	19	23	35
Doncaster	22	9	3	0	24	7	1	1	8	11	21	34
Mansfield	24	4	6	2	12	13	3	7	2	12	11	34
Chersterfield	24	7	2	3	27	23	1	6	5	11	19	32
Walsall	23	7	2	2	25	15	2	2	8	16	29	31
Fulham	24	4	4	4	20	20	3	5	4	15	17	30
Rotherham	24	4	3	5	15	15	4	1	7	14	24	28
Bristol R.	21	2	5	2	10	12	5	1	6	16	21	27
York City	23	6	4	2	18	15	1	2	8	12	29	27
Port Vale	22	2	3	5	14	15	4	3	5	16	18	24
Brentford	23	4	3	5	17	17	2	3	6	10	19	24
Bolton	23	5	2	5	20	15	1	3	7	12	23	23
Bury	23	3	3	5	16	17	2	4	6	13	17	22
Chester	22	2	7	2	13	16	1	6	4	11	17	22
Darlington	21	5	3	3	12	13	0	4	6	12	22	22
Newport	24	1	6	5	12	17	3	2	7	15	21	20
Carlisle	23	4	2	5	14	18	1	2	9	8	23	19

**THE FOOTBALL COMBINATION**

(Results up to and including Saturday January 4)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	19	14	3	2	47	18	31
Chelsea	19	14	2	3	49	14	30
Tottenham	21	12	6	3	51	21	30
Q.P.R.	20	12	4	4	48	36	28
Norwich City	19	11	2	6	42	34	24
West Ham	18	10	3	5	37	26	23
Swindon Town	21	10	2	9	53	48	22
Ipswich Town	19	10	2	7	28	34	22
Watford	18	7	6	5	33	26	20
Oxford Utd.	19	7	4	8	41	40	18
Luton Town	17	8	1	8	45	32	17
Fulham	17	6	5	6	25	25	17
Crystal Pal.	19	5	5	9	28	32	15
Southampton	17	6	2	9	29	29	14
Charlton	17	5	4	8	22	30	14
Reading	18	5	2	11	23	50	12
Portsmouth	17	4	2	11	22	42	10
Millwall	18	3	3	12	23	47	9
Brighton	18	4	0	14	23	52	8
Bristol Rov.	18	2	2	14	18	49	6

**SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE  
DIVISION ONE**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Watford	18	14	2	2	58	19	30
Tottenham H.	17	12	3	2	42	16	27
Arsenal	16	9	3	4	42	22	21
Chelsea	16	8	3	5	36	23	19
Norwich City	19	7	5	7	26	32	19
Portsmouth	18	7	3	8	24	36	17
Ipswich Town	15	6	4	5	36	30	16
West Ham Utd.	15	8	0	7	40	42	16
Southend Utd.	17	7	2	8	24	30	16
Millwall	16	6	4	6	26	37	16
Orient	17	6	3	8	36	32	15
Gillingham	17	4	7	6	33	35	15
Q.P.R.	18	5	3	10	19	37	13
Charlton Ath.	15	3	5	7	22	28	11
Fulham	17	3	3	11	17	42	9
Cambridge Utd.	17	2	4	11	23	43	8

**APPEARANCES AND SCORERS 1986/87**

**LEAGUE AND CUP COMPETITIONS**

(Maximum 33)

J. Marshall	32	(5)	L. Donnellan	13+2(1)
J. Vaughan	32	J. Hopkins	13	
D. Coney	31	S. Gore	9 (1)	
P. Parker	30	J. Hicks	7	
G. Barnett	29	K. Steggle	3	
W. Kerrins	27+1(1)	C. Carr	3+3	
K. Oakes	24	R. Brathwaite	2+1	
K. Achampong	21+1(8)	L. Batty	1	
P. Scott	24	D. Harlow	1	
R. Lewington	17	J. Skinner	1	
K. Huddy	14+5	G. Thomas	1	
B. Cottingham	14+4	G. Elkins	1	
G. Davies	13		(8)	

**SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE**

(Maximum 22)

S. Tobin	22	S. Greaves	13
T. Gale	21	T. Jones	11
K. Caskey	20+2(2)	P.A. Rogers	10 (4)
P.E. Rogers	20	G. Smith	8+4
T. Houghton	19	S. Gore	8
J. Skinner	18	G. French	5+3
P. Donavon	16	N. Eaton	3+2
D. Blenkinsop	11+6	J. Gardiner	3+1
J. Howes	11+4(2)	K. Broderick	2+1
R. Tenkorang	11	L. Page	0+1
D. Collymore	10+3		





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# CLIFF'S COMMENTS



Only one defeat in twelve games. That is easily our best run for some considerable time. A sequence like that is usually accompanied by references to promotion. And yet it was all put into perspective by a comment I heard on the radio on the way home after last Saturday's 3-0 win over Carlisle. That victory, said the commentator, was our first in the League since November 29 — when we beat Darlington 3-1 here at the Cottage. We have been playing well but have picked up too many draws. These single points would have been gratefully accepted last season but they are only being 'banked' somewhat grudgingly this season. Under the three-points-for-a-win system a draw, particularly at home, has to be considered as two points lost. Our new year's resolution has got to be to win as many, if not all, our remaining home games and to keep picking up points away from the Cottage. Then a place in the top five would not be out of the question. It seems odd to refer to the promotion target as the top five, even though only the champions and runners-up are guaranteed places in Division Two at the season's end. We all have to remember that as a result of the League's re-or-

ganisation plans the third, fourth and fifth placed sides will be involved in a play-off competition with the team that finishes third from bottom in the Second Division. The winner of the play-offs will claim the third 'promotion' spot. It could make for an exciting climax to the season.

All in all, last weekend was a good one for yours truly. On Saturday I started my first League game for nearly nine months and, of course, we won. My 'other' team, Arsenal, then won the North London derby on Sunday afternoon. You may well have seen that game 'on the box' — it was a cracker wasn't it?

Anyhow, back to Saturday. It was a measure of our new confident approach that although we stuttered slightly in the first half we persevered and ran out 3-0 winners. For a while it looked like being one of those games with passes not quite reaching their target and moves breaking down. However, we remained patient, plugged away and deservedly scored three good goals in the second half.

Mind you, I must confess I wasn't all that pleased with my own performance. My lack of match fitness was pretty evident even though my general level of fitness was okay. Even allowing for the fact I was playing in midfield I knew I was not as sharp as I should have been. The pace of first team football is so much quicker than that of the reserves. When you take that into account more credit has to be given to the likes of Kevin Hoddy who has made the transition so smoothly.

I am writing these notes before Tuesday's game against Southend in the Freight Rover Trophy. It is nice to know that we have already qualified for the next stage. I am hoping for a run out at left back in that match. Whatever happens I expect to be much sharper.

At around the half-way mark of the season we lie in mid-table. As I mentioned earlier we have a lot to do to make up the leeway. A half-term report would probably read: 'Have settled down well, but have the ability to do a lot better'. We are looking very solid as the recent results suggest. Probably our most consistent player during this time has been Keith Oakes. He has looked particularly dominant in the air but has also been strong in the tackle and comfortable on the ball. Keith has already proved to be a shrewd buy by Ray Lew.

Well, we are involved in a Cup action again this afternoon and we have the opportunity to avenge a 2-0 defeat inflicted on us by Swindon in October. They looked resilient in that game and I expect it will be another tough encounter but we are fairly confident of being in the fourth round by twenty to five this evening. Personally I hope we get through a couple of rounds before drawing a big club — maybe Arsenal in the final?



# MATCH ROUND-UP

## FULHAM 1 READING 3

### Football Combination

Fulham fans not in attendance at this fixture may have raised an eyebrow on seeing the result in their morning papers, but what they wouldn't have been aware of, was that for reasons best known to themselves, Reading fielded the majority of the side that had turned out in their first team fixture three days earlier.

Considering we were therefore facing predominately Today League Second Division opposition, our Reserves performed creditably. Strong running by Gary Elkins and Clifford Carr set up early chances for our lively strike force, and although the visiting team had more of the play in the first half, we contained them well, with the exception of the

two goals conceded. Dean Horrix put Reading ahead with a penalty, and Neil Smilie found ample space to convert a low cross for the second. As the second half progressed, Fulham produced some good moves which were failing to produce shots on goal because the final pass tended to be just a few inches away from its intended destination. We did pull one goal back when Kenny Achampong was brought down in the box and David Harlow converted the penalty, and we were denied a second spot-kick by a dubious refereeing decision.

For the remainder of the game, we enjoyed the majority of the possession and were knocking the ball around nicely, but fell foul of another questionable decision when Trevor Senior scored against the run of play, although he looked yards offside.

*Team: Batty, Hicks, Carr, Scott, Gore, Thomas, Harlow, Skinner (Bailey), Achampong, Brathwaite, Elkins.*

## BRISTOL ROVERS 2 FULHAM 4

### Football Combination

Our regular handful of travelling reserve team supporters, accustomed to endless annual journeys to Elm Park and Carrow Road, enjoyed a trip with a difference as this game was played at the previously unvisited Southern League ground of Forest Green Rovers. Even the Traveller appeared at a Combination fixture for the first time in years such was the novelty.

In fact the match was nearly called off because of a very wet pitch, but we soon adapted to the sticky conditions and played some nice one-touch football. After six minutes, a neat exchange of passes between Kenny Achampong and Dennis Bailey gave Kenny room to progress into the penalty area, where his well struck shot entered the net via a goalpost and an unlucky defender. A second goal followed when Kenny turned nicely in the box, strongly resisting a hefty challenge, before planting the ball neatly past the keeper.

Another touch of Achampong magic helped set up Kevin Hoddy for a beautifully struck goal from outside the box, and a fine solo effort from Dennis Bailey, who broke speedily from the half-way line, put us four-nil ahead with forty minutes gone.

Laurence Batty had had to make only one save at this stage, but the tough-tackling Rovers team displayed greater application after half-time. Jim Hicks slid a low shot into his own net to reduce the arrears, and although a clever chip by Bailey, and a surging run and powerful shot by Cliff Carr both came close to increasing our lead, it was the home side who scored again with a thirty-yard screamer which gave Batty no chance at all.

In the last few minutes, Cliff did well to clear a goalbound Rovers effort off the line, and Laurence pulled off a fine reaction save from a flicked header following a corner, but we held onto our lead. No doubt this pleased that gentleman of football Alec Stock, who was also present at the match.

*Team: Batty, Cottingham, Carr, Hoddy, Hicks, Thomas (Mortimer), Harlow, Bailey, Achampong, Brathwaite, Elkins.*

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES 1986/87

Aug. 23	Southampton	H 1-0
Aug. 28	Swindon Town	A 1-3
Sept. 4	Charlton Athletic	H 1-0
Sept. 10	Chelsea	A 0-2
Sept. 13	West Ham United	A 1-1
Sept. 17	Watford	H 0-0
Sept. 22	Ipswich Town	A 2-1
Sept. 30	Arsenal	H 0-2
Oct. 8	Millwall	A 1-2
Oct. 15	Oxford United	A 4-4
Oct. 28	Portsmouth	A 3-0
Nov. 11	Tottenham Hotspur	H 2-0
Nov. 18	Queens Park Rangers	A 1-2
Nov. 26	Crystal Palace	A 2-2
Dec. 3	Norwich City	A 1-1
Dec. 9	Reading	H 1-3
Dec. 17	Bristol Rovers	A 4-2
Jan. 10	Southampton	A
Jan. 15	Swindon Town	H
Jan. 20	Charlton Athletic	A
Jan. 27	Chelsea	H
Feb. 3	West Ham United	H
Feb. 10	Reading	A
Feb. 14	Watford	A
Feb. 17	Ipswich Town	H
Feb. 24	Queens Park Rangers	H
Feb. 28	Arsenal	A
Mar. 4	Brighton & Hove Albion	A
Mar. 10	Oxford United	H
Mar. 17	Millwall	H
Mar. 20	Brighton & Hove Albion	H
Mar. 24	Luton Town	H
Mar. 28	Tottenham Hotspur	A
Apr. 7	Portsmouth	H
Apr. 14	Norwich City	H
Apr. 22	Crystal Palace	H
Apr. 28	Bristol Rovers	H
May 6	Luton Town	A



## FULHAM 1 WATFORD 1

### South East Counties League

League leaders Watford with 14 wins in 17 outings and a goal difference of 57-18 could hardly have expected such a hard game against our lowly team, but in the end they were very fortunate to escape with a draw.

Our visitors began well and went close twice but we gradually took control and 'Dodge' Rogers brought an excellent save from keeper James after a good build up by Terry Gale and Paul Donovan. Steven Greaves released Jason Howes on the left and although his well placed cross eluded the keeper, Kevin Caskey just failed to reach it. It was Greaves again who went so close to giving us the lead with a 30 yarder which clipped the bar with keeper James helpless but our one momentary loss of concentration proved fatal. Holdsworth was allowed too much space as he advanced down the right and he centred for Gary Eaton to tap home his 23rd goal of the season. On the stroke of half-time, Rogers brought a fine save out of James and from the resulting corner Shaun Gore headed just wide.

The second 45 minutes was one way traffic and we played some of our best football of 1986. We created chance after chance and only desperate defending by the Hornets and a brilliant display by keeper James kept us out. In their only serious attack Holdsworth again found space and crossed perfectly to Eaton but Trevor Jones, playing his first game since sustaining a serious shoulder injury in September, bravely dived at the feet of the prolific Watford striker to smother the ball. Just when it seemed our pressure was to go unrewarded, Paul Donovan won the ball in midfield, hit an inch perfect pass to Terry Gale who beat his fullback and crossed to where Jason Howes raced in to head powerfully past the keeper from six yards. We went all out for the winner and in the final two minutes. Paul Donovan shot just wide and Steven Greaves was only inches away from his first goal for the club when his shot beat James but rebounded from a post.

*Team: Jones, Greaves, Gore, Houghton, Tobin, Howes, Donovan, Caskey, Gale, P.E. Rogers, Collymore (P.A. Rogers), Subs: P.A. Rogers and French.*

## FULHAM 1 WEST HAM UNITED 1

### South East Counties League

The Fulham youth team ended 1986 in the same way as they began it — a match against West Ham in appalling weather conditions with strong winds and driving rain making good football virtually impossible. Both sides did well to produce as much entertainment as they did.

The Hammers started well and had a couple of early chances but with Steven Greaves moving forward at every opportunity, we gradually took command and Justin Skinner shot just wide and Paul E. Rogers went close with a header. Just before the interval, Trevor Jones showed not only

that he had fully recovered from his shoulder injury but that he was also in great form by saving a well struck free kick by Livett and blanking King who was clean through.

Seven minutes into the second half our best move of the match produced a fine goal. It began when Sean Tobin and Paul Donovan combined to release Terry Gale on the right flank. Tony Gale's cousin advanced down the wing and split the visitors' defence with a ball of which Tony (watching from the Stevenage Road Stand) would have been proud. Young Paul A. Rogers turned, beat his man and shot past keeper Bracey from twenty yards. We only led for six minutes before King was left fatally unmarked in the area and he hammered a cross past Jones. As the rain decreased, our tempo increased with Paul E. Rogers only inches from converting a Tobin cross whilst Justin Skinner watched in disbelief as Bracey pulled off a desperate finger tip save from a clever free kick and Shaun Gore almost won the match from the resulting Jason Howes corner.

*Team: Jones, Greaves, Gore, Houghton, Tobin, Skinner, Donovan, Caskey (Howes 68), Gale, P.E. Rogers, P.A. Rogers, Subs: Howes and Blenkinsop.*

## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

### Fixtures 1986/87

Date		Opponents	Ground
Aug.	23	Gillingham .....	H 0-6
Aug.	27	Chelsea .....	A 0-5
Aug.	30	Cambridge Utd. ....	A 1-3
Sept.	2	Millwall .....	H 1-4
Sept.	6	Orient .....	H 0-2
Sept.	13	West Ham .....	A 0-3
Sept.	20	Chelsea (LC1) .....	A 0-4
Sept.	25	Watford (SJFC) .....	A 1-3
Sept.	27	Q.P.R. ....	H 3-1
Oct.	4	Tottenham .....	A 0-2
Oct.	11	Arsenal .....	H 2-4
Oct.	18	Portsmouth .....	H 2-2
Oct.	25	Norwich .....	H 1-0
Nov.	1	Q.P.R. ....	A 1-2
Nov.	8	Gillingham .....	A 1-2
Nov.	15	Chelsea .....	H 1-3
Nov.	29	Cambridge .....	H 1-1
Dec.	6	Orient .....	A 2-1
Dec.	18	Q.P.R. (FAYC2) .....	H 2-1
Dec.	20	Watford .....	H 1-1
Dec.	30	West Ham .....	H 1-1
Jan.	3	Tottenham .....	H 0-2
Jan.	10	Southend .....	H
Jan.	17	Watford .....	A
Jan.	19	Crystal Palace (FAYC3) .....	A
Jan.	24	Charlton .....	H
Jan.	31	Ipswich .....	H
Feb.	14	Norwich .....	A
Feb.	21	Charlton .....	A
Feb.	28	Arsenal .....	A
Mar.	7	Ipswich .....	A
Mar.	14	Portsmouth .....	A
Mar.	28	Southend .....	A
Apr.	11	Millwall .....	A



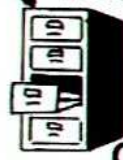
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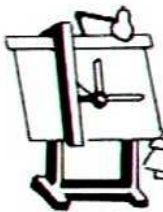
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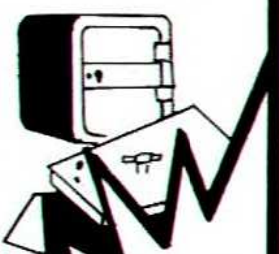


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# Soccer Chat

## A NOT SO MERRY XMAS?

Christmas spirit seemed to have gone out of the window at Chesterfield following chairman Mike Watterson's pre-Christmas resignation. The boardroom bust up occurred when Watterson was alleged to have claimed the club was up for sale, a statement later refuted publicly by his fellow directors without Watterson's knowledge. Ken Unwin has stepped up to take over the position. On the field the 'Spireites' are to lose the services of their player of the year Brian Scrimgeour who is returning to his home town of Dundee to manage a pub. Also Steve Baines their 32-year-old centre half and former assistant manager has been told to quit the game because of a persistent neck injury, believed to be the result of many years of heading the ball.

## RAMSDEN OPENS HIS WALLET

Meanwhile up at Fellows Park the new Walsall chairman Terry Ramsden seems very much intent on trying to buy his club some success. When sanctioning the signing of Everton reserve goalkeeper Fred Barber on a permanent basis for a substantial fee it took the clubs spending spree to over £200,000 on four players since Ramsden took over the club.

## ROTHERHAM DEPARTURES

Much as Third and Fourth Division clubs relish being paired with First Division opposition in cup ties, they can sometimes find that such games have a disruptive affect on a team. Rotherham, struggling at the bottom of the Third Division met Coventry in the Littlewoods Cup earlier in the season and two of the Yorkshire clubs players caught the eye of City manager George Curtis. Subsequently Dean Emmerson was the first to move to the midlands club, with centre half Kevin Smith following recently for a fee of around £60,000 which now leaves Rotherham with a hole to fill in their defence. Lets hope we can exploit it on Tuesday night! (Replays permitting).

## AWARDS ALL ROUND

Gary Linekar failed to add to his Adidas/Shoot Golden Boot award by finishing runner-up to Russia's Igor Belanov in the 31st Golden Ball awards for Europe's best player in 1986. The top ten were: 1. Belanov (USSR). 2. Linekar (England). 3. Butragueno (Spain). 4. Tie between

Amoros (France) and Elkjaer (Denmark). 6. Tie between Rush (Wales) & Zavarov (USSR). 8. Tie between Van Basten (Netherlands) & Ducadem (Rumania). 10. Altobelli (Italy). Incidentally Linekar also lost out on the 'Telegraph Football Sportsmans Trophy' due to be given some months ago for his 'Honest and clean' approach to the game. Editors of the 'Telegraph Football Yearbook' decided that Linekar's statement that he would have 'done the same' when talking about the Maradona World Cup handling incident was sufficiently un-sporting to lose Gary the award! Congratulations also to Terry Cooper, Division 3 Bells manager of the month, and obscurely to Liverpool's Alan Hansen, winner of the first '100 Pipers Anglo-Scot of the year award'. Any excuse for a whisky!

## Division Three Marksmen

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Cooke (Brentford)	12	0	1			4	17
Kelly (Walsall)	14	0	2			0	16
Puckett (Bournemouth)	10	3	0			3	16
Jones (Port Vale)	11	0	4			1	16
McParland (Notts Co.)	12	2	1			0	15

(Up to and inc. Saturday 3rd January)

## WELL, DID YOU GET IT?

Print deadlines being what they are this is the first opportunity I've had of asking whether any of you got it over Christmas? I certainly didn't, but it wasn't for the sake of trying. Goodness knows I though I'd done enough to deserve it as well, Perfume, Flowers, Chocolates; I even promised not to talk about Fulham over the Xmas holiday, but I was still left frustrated when I opened my presents on Christmas morning. The 'It' I was hoping for of course was the newly published Samson Voetbaljaarboek, which you will all instantly know as the Dutch-Belgian Football Yearbook 86-87. After all, every home should have one! The book had been heavily advertised in British football magazines, and I'm sure it represents good value for the 30 Dutch Florins asking price. As well as containing some 2,500 line ups and 65 League tables it boasts comprehensive coverage of the African Cup! (Great if you happen to be an exiled Flemish speaking Dutchman with a cousin in Zimbabwe, or Bruce Grobbelaar!). We're unlikely to stock it in the club shop but if you decide it's something you can't live without you can send your 30 Dfl via international money order to: Samson, PO Box 221, 1200 AE, Hilversum-Holland!

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# GOALS AGAINST THE GILLS.

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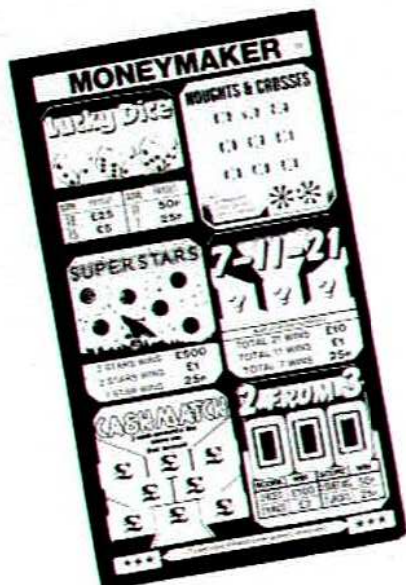


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## MATCH MASCOT

Today we welcome Mark Smith who is 15 and attends the Winston Churchill School. Mark has supported Fulham since the age of 3 and never misses a home game. Mark's favourite players are Paul Parker, Gary Barnett and Dean Coney. Besides being a football fan Mark is an avid fan of snooker. Enjoy your day out Mark as our Mascot of the Day and many thanks for your support.

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# BEHIND THE PLAYER

## JIM HICKS



*Young Spiderman on his third birthday — shortly before devouring a large cake and growing another three inches.*

I handed a questionnaire to Jim Hicks just prior to the Darlington game last November but unknown to me he was due to play that day. He seemed quite tickled under the circumstances (an activity not recommended before matches) and was even happier afterwards having had a good game in a 3-1 win. A month earlier Jim, a central defender, had played in four consecutive matches without gaining a victory, and last season experienced only two wins in 11 full first team matches.

Since joining Fulham from Oxford United in September 1985, after a period on loan, Jim has been a regular in our Reserves. He prefers the Fulham system of developing the correct basic techniques in young players as opposed to Oxford's emphasis on buying experienced players. Oxford did just this when they acquired Ray Houghton from us in the deal in which we gained Gary Barnett and Jim.

Jim rates both Ray and Gary highly and believes the latter has perfected perpetual motion since joining us.

In the "Behind the Player" series to date Jim must rank as our most intellectual asset having gained 8 'O' levels, 3 'A' levels and an honours degree in P.E. at Warwick University. Qualifications reflected in a superbly completed questionnaire. Needless to say he is our P.F.A. Representative.

Having been at university Jim admits to being a late starter and is indeed a Virgo (there aren't too many of these in Fulham!). It's no surprise to find that he is intelligent, precise, analytical with a concern for neatness and control. A typical Virgoan and ideal qualifications for a central defender.

Jim was born in September 1960, in Ipswich, the very same month that Brian Nichols, our Youth Team Coach, joined Fulham as a 15 year old. Yes we really do develop our youths — 26 years later Brian's still with us!

Jim's birth was the day before we beat Chelsea 3-2 at the Cottage with the likes of Venables and Greaves representing the Pensioners. Strangely enough Jim has always supported Chelsea but is a little reluctant to admit it. John Hollins and Alan Hudson were amongst his favourites.

Jim is one of six children and his parents live in Mildenhall, Suffolk. ("Right out in the sticks", to quote Kevin Hoddy). His mum, Gwen, was a G.I. Bride, as his dad, Paul, was in the U.S. Air Force. Jim's youngest sibling Virginia, aged 10, was seemingly named after dad's "home-base". "When we're all together at home it's like feeding time at London Zoo", says Jim.

"My parents seldom see me play at the Cottage mainly because I hardly ever get a game. Nevertheless sisters, Teresa and Virginia, have seen me play in the reserves at Ipswich and Norwich."

Having made the natural progression, at school, from centre-forward to midfield, to defence Jim believes he could end up in goal eventually.

Jim gained the nickname "Spiderman" when someone from Port Vale shouted it out and Kenny Achampong has reminded him of it ever since. "Stan" is another nickname created by Gary Elkins following a severe haircut resembling Stan Laurel's.

At Fulham Jim enjoys the friendliness, Steve's superb pitch and the cheerful sight of Kenny's match-day outfits. On the debit side Jim, like Shaun Gore, believes our training kit wouldn't fit a circus dwarf and was designed to be tight on Dudley Moore.

Nowadays Jim lives close to the Cottage with lifelong Fulham fans, Alan and Vanessa Fisher. He possesses a small but very select fan club which boasts six members — Jim dispels any rumours that he pays them.

Jim experienced part-time teaching whilst with Oxford and worked on several summer coaching camps whilst at university. Not fancying a life in teaching he became a footballer. He would eventually like to stay in the game in some capacity but would also enjoy international travel, looking at other cultures and lifestyles. "Lucky Jim" has spent the last two summer breaks in Rhodes with four beautiful women and enjoys windsurfing with friends.

"Jazz loving, joker Jim" would relish a regular place in a successful Fulham side. Maybe "Spiderman" will be needed to help us climb back into Division Two.



# THE TRAVELLERS LOGBOOK

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At this mid point of the season, the time of year for measured reflection and review, a wee dram of lateral thinking works wonders. If only the media would continue diverting their attention to almost blanket coverage of both events and non-events a mile or so along the Fulham Road, our revival could continue unabated and would pass almost unnoticed, except to the most committed and caring.

It was now beholden on the fair city of York to be our temporary abode for a few hours. Other than being a centre for the more cultured and historically motivated of visitors — containing as it does a conglomerate of quaint old nooks and crannies — rather unusually the two major footballing venues, Bootham Crescent and Wigginton Road, are only separated by the local hospital and its grounds.

Statistically, comparison of the two protagonists' recent results made very interesting reading. Our succession of free scoring victories culminating in that frustrating deployment offered by Mansfield Town, was matched by two five goal leatherings and a rather inglorious FA Cup exit over the same period.

In the past that situation could have been a problem — the question now was whether we could maintain our progress and also whether sufficient people would abandon the traditional scramble for a last minute bargain on the final Saturday before Christmas to make this fixture a worthwhile happening, both on and off the pitch. One needn't have worried unduly; the festive spirit was there for all to see on the terraces.

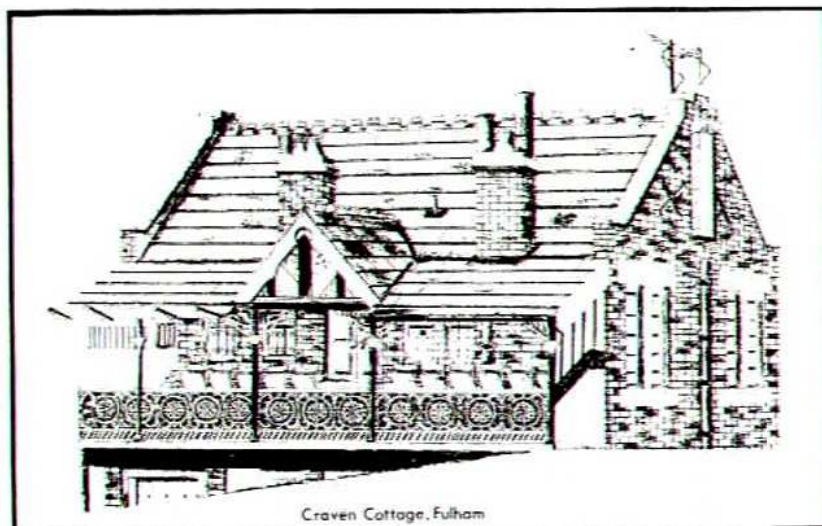
Christmas hats were there in abundance but also among the Fulham contingent were a mandarin's hat and a skeleton mask, whilst a couple of the York lads sported sombreros. The most amazing accoutrement belonged to Fulham (of course!) when a Christmas tree festooned with bells and glitter made its grand entrance and took its rightful place amongst the wassailing throng. How it got there no-one knows.

On the pitch we had to make adjustments to the squad. The enforced absences of Dean Coney and Kevin Hoddy meant places for Kenny Achampong and Peter Scott.

Fulham dominated the majority of the first half without making their hard earned territorial advantage count. Just as the interval and a blank scoresheet beckoned we conceded a penalty, which was unfortunate as well as arguable. For all John Vaughan's psyching out between the sticks Marco Gabbiadini (a reet Yorkshire name that) converted the spot kick and we went in one down.

The goal certainly bolstered the Minster men's fortunes as they were a different proposition early in the second half. Their rapid raids tied us down for long periods and if their shooting had been only half accurate we could have faced problems. But we weathered the storm and Keith Oakes capped a solid afternoon's work by spectacularly volleying an equaliser after 71 minutes. The final whistle brought our tally of consecutive games without defeat to seven. The revival was continuing but of course there were some tough games to come over the holiday period. Fulham do seem however to be in the right frame of mind to "go for it" in 1987. We shall see.

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# THE COTTAGER'S QUIZ

Barely halfway through the season and I am running out of ideas. Anyone fancy a quiz on the flora and fauna of the Thames between Hammersmith and Putney Bridges? No point — only the editor would win and with his income he doesn't need two complimentary tickets. So on with —

## FULHAM GOALSCORERS OF THE PAST

1. Sixty nine goals scored between 1936-1946 in a war-interrupted span of seasons. He then moved on to Arsenal.
2. Ninety eight goals between 1963-1973, including a memorable tally against Halifax.
3. 145 goals between 1952-1970. (If you don't know this one don't bother to read on).
4. 154 goals between 1948-1956. All this and a Fulham manager.

5. 142 goals between 1929-1938 a prolific inside forward.
6. 110 scored between 1946-1958, mostly from the right wing.
7. 127 between 1958-1966 from this Scottish striker.
8. Only one goal between 1974-1977 from this former West Ham and England captain.

Send your entries, marked "The Cottager's Quiz" to The Editor by Friday, 18th January. Two tickets for a home game for the winner.

The first correct answers to be drawn from the hat, following the quiz in the Fulham v Mansfield programme were sent in by Ian C. Bradley — a regular entrant from Orpington, Kent.

The answers were:

1. Q.P.R., Luton, Preston North End and Oldham.
2. Northampton.
3. Sheffield United.
4. Southampton.
5. Twerton Park.
6. Watford.
7. Oxford United.
8. Notts County and Nottingham Forest.

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Paul Cannon, the TSB Bank Business Development Officer, is here today to make a presentation of a sponsorship cheque to Club Chairman, David Bulstrode.

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### THE TSB BANK U-11 SIDE

Back row (left to right): Simon Goodall, John Mann, Chris Larkin, Adrian Banyard.  
Front row (left to right): Russel Kimpton, Michael Lester, David De Maupeou.

### TODAY'S TSB BANK BALLBOYS ARE:-

Dennis Betts, Ralph Bull, Robert Coughlin, Lee Dowden, Natasha Flynn, James De Havilland, Joshua Hook, Michael Lester and Stephen Todd.

### FIVE-A-SIDE

Results from last week — only the U-11's had fixtures:

4-0 v Thames Valley 'B' — Russell Kimpton (3), Simon Goodall.

4-0 v Goldsmith F.C. — Russell Kimpton (2), Simon Goodall, John Mann.

1-1 v Chelsea Estate — Russell Kimpton.

STAR PLAYER: RUSSELL KIMPTON

### TODAY'S TSB BANK MASCOT IS:-



### DAVID DE MAUPEOU, MEMBER NO. 176.

David is a keen fan of Fulham and is a regular member of the TSB Junior Black and Whites U-11 side. He celebrates his eleventh birthday on Monday. David is an all-round sportsman playing cricket and snooker and also enjoying swimming. He attends the Westminster Cathedral Choir School.

His favourite players are Paul Parker, Clifford Carr and our player/manager, Ray Lewington.

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# MEET SWINDON TOWN



*Back Row (left to right): Mark Gardiner, Steve White, Jimmy Gilligan, Chris Kamara, Tim Parkin, Kenny Allen, David Bamber, Charlie Henry, David Cole, Colin Calderwood, Chris Ramsey.  
Front Row: Alan McLoughlin, Mark Hughes, Jamie Reynolds, Dave Hockaday, Andy Rowland (Player/Coach), Kevin Morris (Physiotherapist), Lou Macari (Team Manager), John Trollope (Assistant Manager), Peter Coyne, Martin Ling, Leigh Barnard, Bryan Wade.*

For the second time this season we bid a warm welcome to Swindon Town. A penalty from Peter Coyne in the first half and a Steve White goal eleven minutes from time earned our visitors a 2-0 victory when they came to The Cottage in October. This is our fourth meeting with Swindon in the FA Cup. Almost exactly 10 years ago we entertained them in another 3rd Round tie, and despite their 3rd Division status they raced into a 3-1 lead, only for Fulham to earn a replay with late goals from Rodney Marsh and Les Barrett. However, this was only a temporary reprieve as Swindon cruised to a 5-0 victory in the replay with two goals each from the two David's — Moss and Syrett plus one from Anderson. Swindon also won the first FA Cup encounter, exactly 67 years ago today. 30,000 turned up to see Second Division Fulham face Southern League Swindon expecting a comfortable home victory but witnessed a giant-killing act by the men from Wiltshire who won 2-1, Gordon Hoare scoring Fulham's goal. This is the last time Fulham were knocked out of the cup by a non-League side. Fulham gained their revenge exactly five years later as, on January 10th 1925, they won a 3rd Round tie 2-1 at Swindon courtesy of goals from Edmonds and Richards.

Swindon have reached the third round thanks to two victories over non-League opposition. In the 1st Round, although drawn at home Farnborough Town of the Vauxhall Opel League opted to play Swindon at the County Ground and went down 4-0 to goals from Coyne, Wade, Gilligan and Gardiner. However they did have the compensation of their share of the 5,960 gate. In Round Two, Swindon entertained Enfield of the GM Vauxhall Conference, a team with a notable FA Cup pedigree, but won this tricky tie 3-0 with Wade, Bamber and Jones all on target.

Apart from their victory here at the Cottage, Swindon have also won at Bolton (2-1) on the opening day of the season thanks to a brace from Peter Coyne, at Torquay (3-2) in the Littlewoods Cup, Bamber 2 and Wade scoring, and at Port Vale (4-3). They earned goalless draws at Mansfield and Darlington and shared four goals with Doncaster at Bell's Vue and with Newport at Somerton Park. Swindon lost by the only goal at Middlesbrough and Walsall, succumbed 2-1 to Bury, and were beaten 3-0 by Southampton in the Littlewoods Cup. Swindon are still on the verges of the promotion race and will be striving to follow up last season's Fourth Division Championship victory by bringing Second Division football to The County Ground for the first time since 1974. Coincidentally, it was a 4-1 defeat here in April 1974 which condemned Swindon to Division 3.



# THE PLAYERS

**FRASER DIGBY — Goalkeeper** This Sheffield-born keeper is a former England Youth international. Fraser had a spell on loan to Swindon from Manchester United last season without making a 1st team appearance. His league debut came in Town's match with Rotherham in September, and the move was made permanent just before Christmas.

**DAVE HOCKADAY — Defender** Signed from Blackpool in the close season of 1983, Dave has made a successful conversion to the role of full-back. Now in his fourth season at the County Ground.

**CHRIS RAMSEY — Defender** Signed from Brighton in December 1984 after a successful loan period, Chris missed only three league matches last season in Swindon's Championship triumph. Won an FA Cup losers medal with Brighton v Manchester Utd. in 1983 and had the misfortune to sustain an injury in the final which caused him to miss the replay.

**TIM PARKIN — Defender** Began his career as an apprentice at Blackburn but made only 13 league appearances in his four seasons at Ewood Park. Tried his luck with Malmo of Sweden in 1980 and on his return to England also turned out for Almondsbury Greenway before joining Bristol Rovers. Made 219 league appearances for the former Eastville club before joining Swindon in the summer for £27,500.

**COLIN CALDERWOOD — Defender** Although only 21 Colin has already proved himself a highly capable central defender. Began his career with Mansfield for whom he made 100 league appearances before joining Swindon in the summer of 1985. Was an ever present last season and was voted 'Player of the Year'.

**MARK JONES — Midfield** A recent £25,000 signing from Oxford United, Mark made over 130 appearances for the Manor Ground club and his arrival has bolstered considerably the Swindon midfield. Was a team-mate of Gary Barnett at Oxford.

**CHRIS KAMARA — Midfield** Now in his second spell at the County Ground, Chris celebrated his 30th birthday on Christmas Day. A stylish midfielder he has also had two spells with Portsmouth plus four seasons with Brentford from whom he rejoined Swindon in August 1985 for £12,500.

**LEIGH BARNARD — Midfield** Leigh served his apprenticeship with Portsmouth and went on to make 79 league appearances for the club before joining Swindon on a free transfer in July 1982. Is approaching his 150th league appearance for Swindon.

**CHARLIE HENRY — Midfield** Graduated through the apprentice ranks at Swindon and signed professional forms in February 1980. Although ostensibly a

full-back, he was pushed into midfield last season and ended the season as Swindon's leading goalscorer with 18 goals. Charlie has had to revert to his former position in recent matches.

**PETER COYNE — Midfield** Peter is equally effective in midfield or up front and was on target when Swindon were last here in October. Was an apprentice with Manchester United and made 2 league appearances (scoring once) for the Red Devils before dropping out of league football and signing for Ashton United. Crewe signed him in 1977 but after four seasons at Gresty Road in which he scored 47 league goals he joined Hyde United. After three years in the Northern Premier league Swindon signed him in 1984.

**STEVE WHITE — Forward** Steve was surprisingly given a free transfer at the end of last season by Bristol Rovers and Lou Macari quickly snapped up this proven goalscorer who scored 16 goals for Rovers in the 1985/86 campaign. Steve was in his second spell with Rovers, having left them in 1979 to join Luton for £200,000. He also played for Charlton before returning to Eastville. Steve came on as a substitute when Swindon were here in October and he scored the killer second goal.

**DAVE BAMBER — Forward** At 6ft 3ins and 13st 10lbs, Dave is a centre forward in the classic mould. Began his career with Blackpool for whom he scored 29 League goals in 86 appearances before joining Coventry in 1984. He lasted only a few months at Highfield Road before moving on to Walsall and Portsmouth. Joined Swindon for £15,000 in March 1986 after an initial loan period and scored 9 vital goals in the push for promotion.

**JIMMY GILLIGAN — Forward** Joined Swindon in June from Grimsby for a fee of £31,500 after only 12 months at Blundell Park. Jimmy had cost Grimsby £100,000 when he signed from Watford but he scored only four goals in his 25 appearances last season. Another tall bustling striker, he has formed a useful partnership with Dave Bamber.

**BRIAN WADE — Forward** Brian was transferred from Southern League Trowbridge Town during last season and proved to be an immediate success scoring 10 goals in his 34 league appearances. Has continued that good form in the current campaign and has so far netted seven times this season.

SUMMARY						
	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	13	7	3	3	29	16
Away	11	4	4	3	19	25
Total	24	11	7	6	48	41



# MY MOST MEMORABLE MATCH

## LES STRONG



Les is the natural successor to Tosh as one of the great all-time Fulham comedians. In fact I would have thought that 'Tosh and Les' (sounds better than 'Les and Tosh' doesn't it?) would have equal sex appeal with the ladies as 'Chas and Dave' obviously do. Which one is the piano player?

He gave me a marvellous summary of his Most Memorable Match(es) and therefore the only thing to do was to let you have it verbatim (or 'as he said it' for those of you not educated in South-end).

So here we go —

'What was my most memorable match? Well the first that springs to mind is Allen Edwards Junior Mixed v Sacred Heart at Battersea Park in 1962. It was the first and only time I kicked the ball more than fifteen yards. I tried it again at Aston Villa in the seventies, but it was cut out.

The next one was Norwich at home in 1975. John Mitchell actually controlled the ball with his feet and not his shin which he normally did. In the same match Peter Mellor caught the ball and held on to it! Then there was the match at Orient when Terry Bullivant (now our youth team coach) turned round and chinned me on the pitch. I still make him feel bad about it, so he keeps buying me a drink.

I suppose as I have to make a choice it has just got to be the first semi-final match against Birmingham in 1975. The atmosphere and the match were so exciting. We knew we were never going to lose against them; we were that confident. Even though we never got to Wembley in that game we just knew it would only be a matter of time. How right we were!

There we are — short and sweet and straight from the horses mouth, but what a moment to recall five of the most magic days in this lovely old club's history — 5th-9th April 1975 when we reached Wembley for the one and only time. Thanks Les. Get Terry to buy you another drink!  
LILLIEWHITE

### FA Cup Semi-Final

FULHAM (0) 1 BIRMINGHAM (0) 1

### FULHAM VOW: 'IT'S BYE, BYE BLUES'

by James Mossop — Sunday Express

High above the goalmouth where Fulham's limping hero John Mitchell had shot his team ahead, a row of the London club's supporters flaunted a banner before the saddened eyes of the blue and white Brummie Hordes. "Bye, Bye, Blues," it

said. And later, in the happy Fulham dressing-room, the players talked confidently of making the farewells final in Wednesday's replay at Maine Road, Manchester.

For six minutes at Hillsborough it seemed that the fairy-tale living in the hearts of the Second Division club would become reality. They were in front with Mitchell's goal, Wembley was in sight, and the stands were throbbing with the sheer enjoyment of it all. Birmingham's equaliser cut away the story-book material, but Fulham's confidence was only slightly impaired.

.... Mullery, wise, experienced and passionate, said "We can do it again. Anyone who saw us win at Everton knows all about our capabilities. Before the match I got hold of the lads and said that, although it was their first semi-final, it was certainly my last and I wanted something from it." And Mitchell, the man who was ready to hobble off injured until he saw that Jimmy Conway was in an even worse state, was beside himself with joy at his 51st minute goal. "It dropped right and I just whacked it", he said.

.... Mullery and Bobby Moore were the men who led the proud Fulham show. The neutrals among the 55,000 crowd nursed a soft spot for the underdogs. But there was nothing second-rate about Fulham's play. Moore controlled the defence, Mullery looked after the midfield.

.... Suddenly there was bearded Viv Busby slicing through to bring Birmingham 'keeper Dave Latchford to full length. Then it was Mullery driving in a centre that bent viciously in the wind and sent Latchford plunging into the mud through a mass of legs to clutch the ball to his chest.

Fulham were showing the way. Their own 'keeper, the often unpredictable Peter Mellor, had nothing to worry about. However he sighed with relief when Trevor Francis turned on the spot and had a left-footer deflected over.

They emerged to continue their invigorating battle for a place in football history, and with the second half six minutes old they were in front.

How fitting that Moore and Mullery should play leading roles in the goal. Moore to Mullery as Birmingham failed to clear a corner, Mullery on to Alan Slough, a flick forward and there was Mitchell hitting the ball splendidly on the volley beyond Latchford.

But in the 57th minute a sudden lapse gave Birmingham their chance. Gary Pendrey's centre slipped between Moore and John Lacy for Joe Gallagher to find himself with an open road to goal. He did not strike the ball cleanly and it was easy to imagine the sheer desperation coursing through Mellor's mind as he groped away to his right for the ball.

FULHAM: Mellor; Fraser, Strong; Mullery, Lacy, Moore; Mitchell, Conway, Busby, Slough, Barrett.  
BIRMINGHAM: Latchford; Page, Pendrey; Kendall, Gallagher, Roberts; Campbell, Francis, Burns, Hatton, Taylor.



# SEASON BY SEASON

## 1970-71

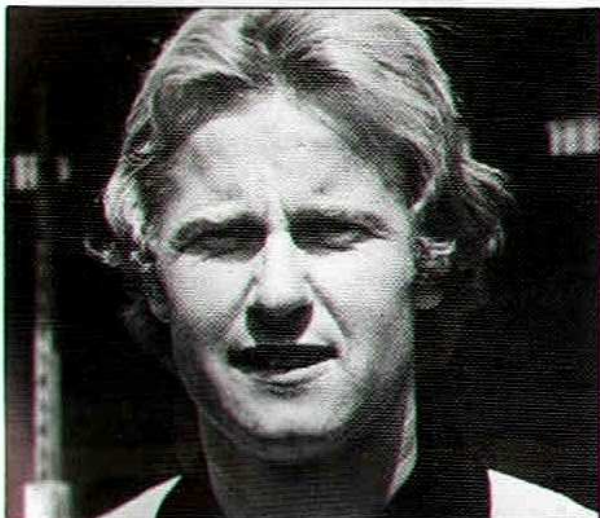
Our second sojourn in the Third Division ended after two seasons, when we finished runners-up, one point behind Preston. Pleased as we were to go up, the end of the season was an anti-climax. In our final match, needing just one point for the title and in front of almost 26,000, we lost 0-1 at home to Preston.

It was nevertheless a most satisfactory campaign. We began where we had left off in 1969-70, and were amongst the early pacesetters, along with Preston and Aston Villa. A shaky spell in December and January, with four defeats in eight matches, saw us slip from first to fourth place. We recovered quickly and went into April in second place (only two clubs went up). Promotion was clinched at Bradford City in the penultimate match, a 3-2 win, and the championship missed three days later.

Regaining Second Division status was a reward for manager Bill Dodgin's faith in attacking football. The 60 points total equalled the club record, only three other clubs in the whole Football League scored more than our 68 goals and just two clubs conceded fewer than our 41. In addition we lost only twice at home, won nine times away and did the double over five clubs.

The side was relatively stable for much of the season. Irish international wing half Jimmy Dunne was signed from Torquay in the close season, and the former Cardiff, Arsenal and Birmingham winger, George Johnston was signed in October. Both made major contributions to the promotion success. Dunne missed just one match, whilst Johnston scored 10 goals in 26 games.

Malcolm Webster was the regular goalkeeper with the defensive duties shared between Moreline,



Barry Lloyd, captain of the promotion side at 21 years of age.

Pentecost, Callaghan, Brown and Matthewson. On the flanks, Conway and Barrett continued to create and score goals, although Conway was unlucky with injuries. The inside forward trio was Halom, Earle and Lloyd.

The promotion surely should not obscure an exciting League Cup, which took us to the quarter-finals. The highlight was defeating Q.P.R. at home, in front of a crowd of 31,729. We have not done as well in this competition since.

### LEAGUE RESULTS

	Home	Away
Aston Villa	0-2	0-1
Barnsley	1-1	1-0
Bradford City	5-0	3-2
Brighton	1-0	2-3
Bristol Rovers	2-1	1-0
Bury	2-1	0-2
Chesterfield	2-0	0-0
Doncaster	1-1	1-0
Gillingham	1-0	3-1
Halifax	3-1	1-2
Mansfield	0-0	0-1
Plymouth	1-1	1-1
Port Vale	4-1	1-0
Preston	0-1	1-1
Reading	1-1	1-1
Rochdale	2-0	2-1
Rotherham	1-0	1-1
Shrewsbury	0-0	1-0
Swansea	4-1	1-4
Torquay	4-0	1-3
Tranmere	2-0	3-0
Walsall	1-0	2-3
Wrexham	1-0	2-2

### SUMMARY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home	23	15	6	2	39	12	36
Away	23	9	6	8	29	29	24
Total	46	24	12	10	68	41	60

### FA CUP

Round One Bristol Rovers (H) 1-2

### LEAGUE CUP

Round One Orient (H) 1-0  
 Round Two Darlington (A) 4-0  
 Round Three Q.P.R. (H) 2-0  
 Round Four Swindon (H) 1-0  
 Round Five Bristol City (H) 0-0  
 Replay Bristol City (A) 0-1

### APPEARANCES: LEAGUE & CUPS

Barratt	46+7	Halom	30+7	Morton	1+1
Brown	35+6	Home	8+1	Pentecost	22+5
Callaghan	45+7	Johnston	25+1	Richardson	9+2
Conway	29+2	Lloyd	46+7	Roberts	1
Davidson	1	Mansley	1	Seymour	11+4
Dunne	45+7	Matthewson	43+6	Tranter	3
Earle	42+7	Moreline	28+4	Webster	35+3

### SCORERS: LEAGUE & CUPS

Barratt	15+3	Conway	8+2	Morton	1
Earle	13+1	Halom	8+2	Brown	1
Lloyd	9	Dunne	2		
Johnston	9+1	Matthewson	1	Opponents	1



# Fulham

Colours: White Shirts  
Black Shorts

JOHN VAUGHAN

JOHN MARSHALL

JEFF HOPKINS

PETER SCOTT

KEITH OAKES

PAUL PARKER

GARY BARNETT

LEO DONNELLAN

DEAN CONEY

WAYNE KERRINS

GORDON DAVIES

# Swindon

Colours: Red Shirts,  
White Shorts

FRASER DIGBY

DAVID HOCKADAY

LEIGH BARNARD

MARK JONES

TIM PARKIN

COLIN  
CALDERWOOD

PETER COYN

MARK GARDINER

JIMMY QUINN

STEVE WHITE

DAVID BAMBER

Subs: BRYAN WADE  
JIMMY GILLIGAN

REFEREE:  
MR. R.S. LEWIS

LINESMEN:

MR. G.J. CRAFTER (Red Trim) MR. G.R. POOLEY (Yellow Trim)

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## scoreboard

### RED

A	Aston Villa Chelsea
B	Charlton Walsall
C	Coventry Bolton
D	Everton Southampton
E	Grimsby Stoke
F	Ipswich Birmingham

### GREEN

A	Man. United Man. City
B	Millwall Cardiff
C	Norwich Huddersfield
D	Orient West Ham
E	Portsmouth Blackburn
F	Q.P.R. Leicester

### AMBER

A	Reading Arsenal
B	Sheffield Wed. Derby
C	Tottenham Scunthorpe
D	Watford Maidstone
E	Wimbledon Sunderland
F	Sheffield Utd. Brighton

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