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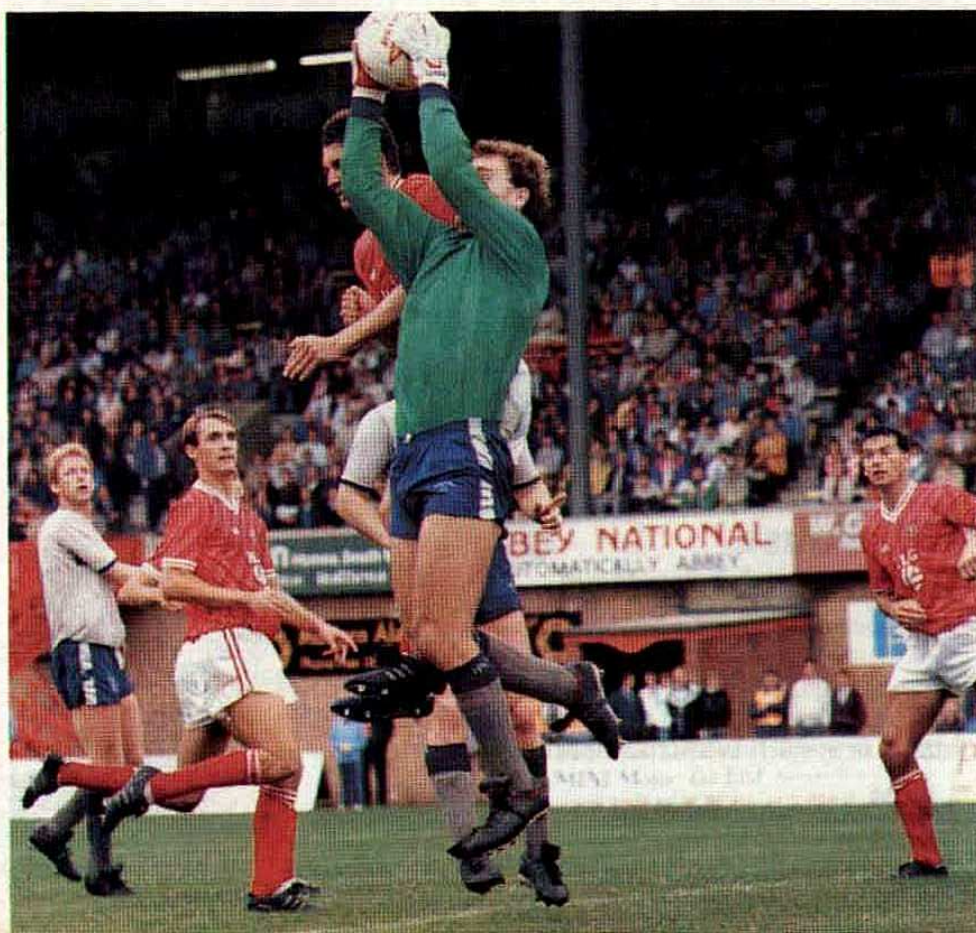
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Good afternoon to you all and I hope that you have all enjoyed the Christmas holiday. We are almost at the end of 1987 and with a new year approaching fast.

It is a time for reflection and also a time for foresight. Once again we have had a fantastic year. Promotion to celebrate and further advancement. Sadly, as the year came towards its completion, the whole of the Town was horrified by the tragic death of a Plymouth fan.

Looking to the future, it may be appropriate to ensure that the County Ground is devoid of any undesirable element, we may be forced to introduce photographs with the membership cards. It is a factor to be considered for next season and then Swindon Town Football Club can ensure that the County Ground will be a one-hundred per cent safe area.

Those we do not wish to attend our matches we can ban or at least be able to segregate the mature and sensible people from the lunatic fringe.

Further ground improvements will be in operation next summer. These are compulsory in order that the County Ground can meet the requirements of the Ground Safety Certificate Act.

Our Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders is due on Wednesday evening and during the year ending 31st May 1987, we showed a loss. We have reason to feel the forthcoming year should show an improvement in finances. Although we still have considerable financing for ground improvements to find this year, once again. We have no option in this respect, for we would not be allowed to play at the County Ground. Second Division soccer has been brought back to Swindon and really it has been achieved at the cost of one reasonably priced player, that is not fact but certainly an equivalent way in which to look at our finances. I am sure we would have all settled for that metaphorical fact three years ago!

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Take a tip! Don't listen to the weather forecasts or at least don't take too much notice of them. Just before Christmas they certainly let us down.

Several nights of frost, which also caused the postponement of our match against Barnsley, finally appeared to end on the following Sunday.

The forecast was that it would get milder and allow us to play our Simod Cup game with Derby County. On the Monday there was such a rapid improvement that there seemed little doubt about the match. On the previous Friday we had no doubt the game would be called off. Early Monday there was no doubt Tuesday's game would be played, but late on Monday the ground appeared to be deteriorating. We decided to inform the Football League. At 8.45 a.m. next morning, along with local referee Keith Cooper, I inspected the ground. Down the middle it was bone hard again and dangerous, no chance of the match going ahead. It was the correct and only decision open to Keith.

We made vain attempts to warn everyone, we managed to let HTV, BBC West and all know about the inspection, but it left one or two irate fans about, including Mike Bibb, the HTV weather forecaster, he couldn't understand why the game was off. It's different in the television studios, Mike! We had a word about it and settled our differences.

A Mr. Bold of Gloucester wasn't too happy, but we honestly did let G.W.R. know that there would be a pitch inspection the evening before. With precarious weather conditions

LOU'S

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I am always loathe to play, such conditions make the game a lottery. At least the postponement of the Barnsley match gave me the opportunity to fly to Scotland again. There I saw a player it is my intention to try and bring South. One more check on him and I may well make a move. The following day I watched the Crystal Palace and Sheffield United match along with Andy Rowland. Played on the Sunday morning, the result was decided by some controversial decisions.

My visits to Scotland of recent have not brought any definite bids from me, but it has allowed me to

build up a knowledge of players who could be useful in the future.

I have had to write this column before the Christmas period, and at the time of writing I had still not been able to sign a goalkeeper. To any young lad who is keen on football can I offer a word of advice. Take up goalkeeping, there are so few about. Most Clubs seem to have one goalkeeper and no second string. If you have ability there is every chance that you could make the grade. You only have to ask John Trollope that question, he has an awful job finding one with real ability for the Youth Team! The fact that we do not have one lad among our trainees bears out the deficiency that has arisen in our national game.

If you know of a young lad with real promise, and I mean real promise, please write to me or John Trollope. After all, he would be in with a real chance, of a trial at least!

John Trollope

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Spies in the Camp...

Interested onlookers at our recent home matches have been the following clubs: **Aston Villa, Oxford United, Coventry City, Hereford United, West Ham United, Plymouth Argyle, Derby County, Wimbledon and Brighton.**

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Just Two...!

Following our recent home match with Huddersfield Town we left our Matchday Ticket Office open for anyone wishing to purchase stand tickets for our trip to Aston Villa the following Saturday, December 5th. We sold just 2! Despite the poor response, we shall, when the need desires, continue this experiment for away matches.

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HTS's Flashback for the Fans...

This excellently conceived programme, hosted by Roger Malone, was certainly Bristol City orientated... The subjects were **Don Rogers (Swindon Town), Kevin Mabbutt, Joe Royle, Terry Cooper, Norman Hunter (Bristol City)** and **Alan**

Warboys and Bruce Bannister of Bristol Rovers.

While several of the City players had been notable personalities it was early in their career. Surely our own **John Trollope**, City's **John Atyed** and Rovers' **Geoff Bradford** could have been included. This will certainly bring a real West County air to the programme. Perhaps HTV intend to have another series, it could well be worth repeating.

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Ground Stewards...

We have vacancies for **five Ground Stewards**. Anyone interested in accepting one of these vacancies should contact **George Sims**, the Club's Chief Steward, c/o Swindon Town F.C.

On occasions stewards are asked to attend away matches as well, to supervise our fans on away trips.

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New Year Dates...

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ON

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday December 2nd

Lou Macari returned from his previous nights scouting trip to watch the Second Division match between Millwall and Reading pleased with the performance of the player he went to watch with Town Coach Andy Rowland, Lou decides to delay any immediate bid to bring the player to the County Ground.

The poor form of our 'Sunday Mirror' Combination team continues with yet another home defeat, their sixth out of seven matches, when they are defeated 3-1 by Oxford United. Without a win all season at the County Ground they have one remaining opportunity in 1987 when they meet West Ham United, the only remaining reserve match of 1987 to be played at the home. Bryan Wade was the Town's lone goalscorer while Lee Nogan, Martin Foyle and Robbie Mustoe were on the mark for the visiting Manor Ground Club.

Portsmouth Manager Alan Ball was an interested onlooker at this match. Exeter City were also represented.

THURSDAY

Thursday December 3rd

After a days training, Lou certainly knows the festive season is fast approaching. The Town Manager travels to nearby Faringdon to

switch on the Town's festive lights for the Christmas period. It was then quickly on to Chipping Norton to watch his eldest son, Michael, appear for Swindon Schoolboys in their fifth round tie in the English Schools Trophy match with Mid Oxon. It was a rewarding night, for Lou sees his son hit two goals in a 4-1 win. The other goalscorers were Chris Hewitt and Robert Mcauley.

FRIDAY

Friday December 4th

The Town's injured England Under-21 International goalkeeper is active off the field. Fraser Digby travelled to nearby Malmesbury Lower School where he was questioned on his career to date by class 2P. It all helps to keep the Town 'keeper active during his period of immobility.

Lou ponders over his line-up for tomorrow's match against Villa. Can he afford to take his adventurous 4-2-4 line-up for an away match. Will Jon Gittens retain the No. 5 shirt or will Tim Parkin resume after his suspension? It could be that both will play. Despite their impressive victories away, Villa have only won two matches at home!

There is good news about Swindon Town Director Mr. Lionel Smart, who is recovering in hospital from his recent hip operation. Central TV showed the four goals from our match with Huddersfield and this

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acted as a tonic as he laid in a Midland hospital. Mr. Smart expects to be released from the hospital in ten days time.

Lou turns his attention towards Scotland in his bid to find an experienced goalkeeper following Tim Flowers loan period expiry.

SATURDAY

Saturday December 5th

Former Town player, and recent Shrewsbury Town Manager, 'Chic' Bates considers an offer to join the Club after meeting Town Manager Lou Macari in the pre-match hotel at West Bromwich. The Town then travel on to Villa Park to meet the high-flying Midland Club. Stout defensive work and full commitment restrict Aston Villa to half time, although the Town had their chances.

Two goals early in the second half by Garry Thompson were enough to send the Town to their fourth consecutive away defeat in League matches and their fifth in League and Cup encounters.

Although the Town's Northern Ireland International Jimmy Quinn replied within minutes to Villa's two goal salvo, the penalty he tucked away for his twentieth goal of the season was not enough to stave off defeat.



• **Jimmy Quinn, the Town's Northern Ireland International, netted his twentieth goal of the season at Villa Park.**

The Town's last win away from the County Ground in League matches was our single goal win on September 15th. In fact, Town boss Lou Macari has not seen his team win a League match since October 20th when we defeated Stoke City 2-0 at the County Ground, for Lou was away on scouting missions when we defeated A.F.C. Bournemouth and Huddersfield Town.

The attendance of 16,127 at Villa Park was the highest for any of the Town's matches this season to date.

Oxford United are the latest Club to express an interest in the Town's highly promising full back Phil King. Any move for the talented former Torquay United player is restricted

with half of the fee due his former Club. Only a part-exchange deal of any description would be really beneficial to Swindon Town.

Meanwhile, Oxford United confirm their week of dominance over the Town. After defeating our 'Sunday Mirror' Combination team 3-1 earlier in the week they took full points from the Town Youths!

In a South East Counties League match at Lydiard Park they won 2-1. This completed a double triumph in the space of four days for the Manor Ground Club.

SUNDAY

Sunday December 6th

Town players continue their busy pre-Christmas period for charity when Colin Calderwood starts a fun run at Great Somerford in the cause of raising money for Muscular Dystrophy.

The Town players who had not appeared in yesterdays match at Aston Villa were in for Sunday morning training as usual and prepare for tomorrow evenings Reserve team match against Norwich City at Carrow Road. A match that Lou intended to travel by train later in the day to watch. Steve Foley is the latest Town injury scare after yesterdays match and is now accompanying a pair of crutches! The Town midfield player is not thought to be seriously injured and will surely be looking towards next weeks visit to his former Club Sheffield United.

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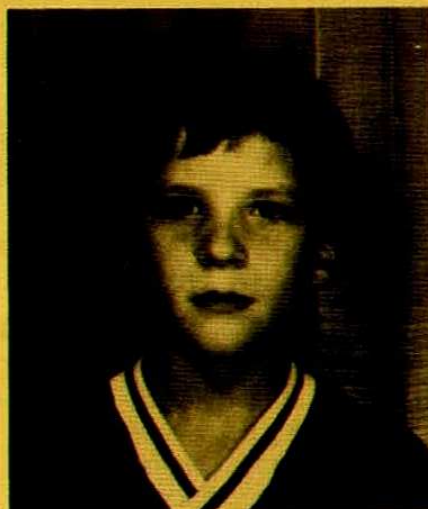
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On Saturday 5th December the Junior Robins Supporters Club made their inaugural Travel Club trip to Aston Villa, and where better than Villa Park to kick-off with!

Leaving the County Ground at 8.00 a.m. we later arrived at the Great Barr Leisure Centre where the Transplant Junior Robins defeated the Aston Villa Junior Supporters team by 7 goals to 3. Scorers for the Junior Robins were Carl Webster 3, Lee Joyce, Richard Timmins, Neil Matthews and Simon Ward. Special congratulations to Simon Ward who received the 'Man of the Match' award for Swindon.

After leaving the Leisure Centre we arrived at Villa Park and were shown around the imposing and impressive North Stand which houses 2 sets of executive style boxes, the away supporter (standing) and the top section of seating for their family sections. From this seating one gets a panoramic view of Villa Park and the imposing Holte Stand at the opposite end. Leading off from the North Stand is the plush Families Room. Should you feel the need to spend part of the match inside you are able to watch the match 'live' via video recorder and television screen.

Despite the result of the afternoon's match all players and parents thoroughly enjoyed their day out and wish to thank, in particular, Dave Wallis of the Aston Villa Junior Villans and the Family Club for their generous hospitality throughout. We hope to return their generosity when they visit the County Ground in 1988.

Harking back to the Christmas party, I would like to thank Mrs. Ralph and Mrs. Coburn for all the hard work they put in to preparing the food for the huge turnout of over a hundred. I would also like to thank the players who came along, Bobby Barnes, Chris Kamara, Dave Hockaday, Colin Calderwood, Jimmy Quinn (what a marvellous impersonation of Dave Bamber) and last, but by no means least, Phil 'Father Christmas' King.

Birthday congratulations go to Andrew Brown of Churchfields who was twelve last Friday, Mark Elsander of Even Swindon (8) and David Pope (14) on last Saturday.

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The surname of Summerbee has been synonymous with Swindon Town Football Club in a distant decade. The brilliant young players that former Town Manager Bert Head introduced to the senior side in the early 1960's then included Mike Summerbee, who later went on to represent the England International team.

Two decades on and the name of Summerbee is again on the Clubs staff. Today it is his son, Nicky, who is hoping to follow in the footsteps of his illustrious father Mike.

To follow a successful parent in any walk of life can sometimes prove to be a burden. A point put to Nicky, for which he had a ready reply. "Oh yes, he had realised this could happen, but all he has told me is to enjoy myself, he is not bothered if I don't make the grade. Just have a go and don't worry about it. I just have to hope I am good enough, it is up to me really and I am pleased to be here."

Nicky was born in the North of England. "Actually I was born at Altrincham and attended a local grammar school - Hillcrest. To be honest it was not the best of schools for football."

Before his arrival at the County Ground, Nick had spent two short periods with two League Clubs - Norwich City and Leicester City. His trial period at Leicester was arranged by the Filbert Street Clubs defender Russell Osman. As often occurs in life it was third time lucky for the young Summerbee. Swindon Town was the third Club where he tried his luck.



NICKY SUMMERBEE

"I came down here and played in a trial match against a team from Cardiff. I thought I performed reasonably well and was offered a months trial here. Luckily I did enough to impress in that time and was given the chance to join the Club as a trainee."

There was no mistaking the fact that the young Northern lad liked it at Swindon Town when he went on to explain, "This is a nice Club, I like the set-up and they are a good bunch of lads here."

Nicky, like all the trainees who do not live in the Swindon area, stays at the Club Hostel in Shrivenham Road. It's a set-up he enjoys living in and one where the players can live as near to being a family without the actual parents.

Nick cannot recall seeing his father play except once, when Mike was Player-Manager of Stockport County. "I have seen the odd video of him and he rarely plays these days, even in the odd charity match. He lends his name to a soccer school and will help somebody out if he can." Mike now runs a highly successful shirt manufacturing factory.

Not unlike his father, Nick likes to appear as a striker rather than be confined to playing on the wing. "I don't think I am fast enough to play there, but I like to think when I am playing at centre forward I am more involved."

At the time he was being interviewed Nick was recovering from injury for which he was receiving treatment from the Club physiotherapist Kevin Morris. "I hope to be O.K. in two weeks time, I've had pain in my back, I think I have a bruised muscle at the back of my buttock but I will be alright."

Nick was impressed with the skills among the lads he is on the trainee staff with, "Fitzroy Simpson has good skills, the others have also, all in their different ways."

Despite the fact that Mike Summerbee is no longer actively engaged in football, the game and its connections still serve the family well. Nick's sister, 18 year old Rachel, now works for Franny Lee, the former England, Manchester City and Derby County striker, in his horse racing stables. Football's been kind to the Summerbee family, you only have to talk to Mike, Nicky or Rachel to find the answer to that question.

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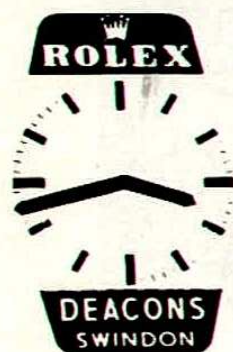
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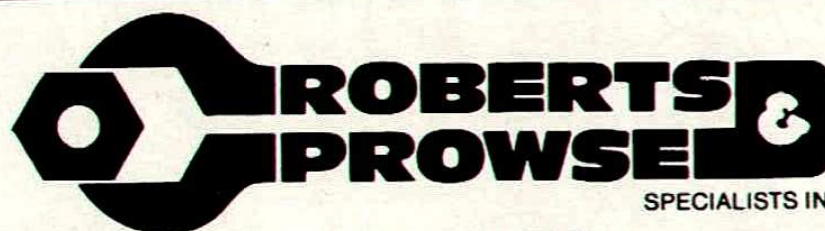
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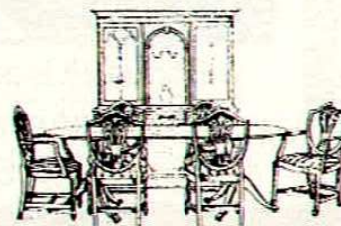
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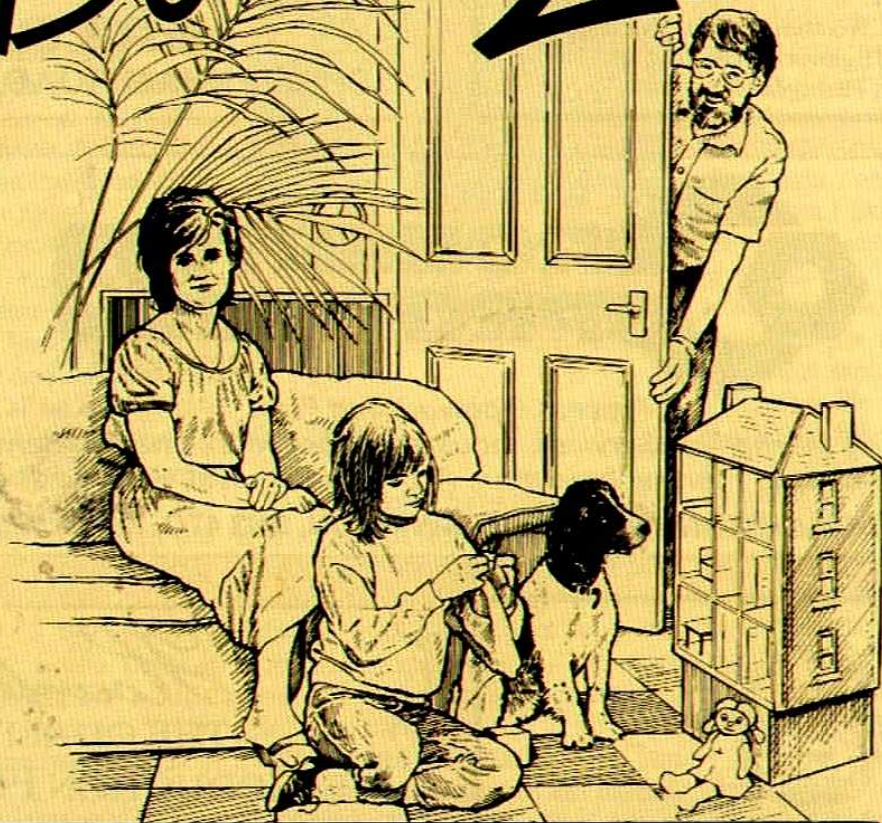
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After an unbroken run of 18 seasons in the First Division, in which time they won the F.A. Cup and U.E.F.A. Cup, Ipswich Town now face the hard task of trying to regain senior status.

Relegation at the end of 1985-86 season was a bitter blow, and last season they went close to winning promotion back to Division One at the first attempt, but were beaten over two legs by Charlton Athletic in the First Round of the newly-instituted play-offs.

A new era has dawned for Ipswich with John Duncan, a Scot, becoming only the Club's seventh Manager since they turned professional in 1936 - an outstanding record in the modern footballing climate.

Ipswich were formed as an amateur Club in 1878 - exactly 100 years later they celebrated their centenary by winning the F.A. Cup on their only Wembley appearance, Roger Osbourne scoring the only goal to sink Arsenal.

On becoming professional Ipswich entered the Southern League and won the title at the first attempt. Two years later, 1938, they were elected to the Third Division South.

In the 1953-54 season they collected their first League title - the Third Division (S). Life in the Second Division lasted only one season, but in 1956/57 they won the Third South title again under Alf Ramsey who had taken over from Scott Duncan as Manager.

Under Ramsey things really began to take off at Portman Road. In season 1960-61 Ipswich won the Second Division crown and secured a place in the top flight for the very first time.

Twelve months later Portman Road were celebrating again, with virtually the same side, they had lifted the First Division Championship and thus qualified for Europe for the first time.

By the end of the 1963-64 season Ramsey had departed to become England team Manager, and Ipswich were back in the Second Division.

Four years later, under Bill McGarry, Ipswich were Second Division Champions again.

He then departed, and in January 1969 Bobby Robson became the new boss at Portman Road.

It heralded a decade or so of golden years for the East Anglian Club.

Robson's youth policy, sprinkled with class players such as two Dutchmen, Arnold Muhren and Frans Thijssen, saw Ipswich enjoy its best years. The F.A. Cup victory in 1978, followed by the U.E.F.A. Cup success in 1981, plus going very close on several occasions to winning the First Division Championship again.

Robson's reign at Ipswich came to an end in 1982 when he became the second Ipswich Manager to be appointed the England supreme.

Bobby Ferguson, his chief coach, succeeded him, but Ferguson's contract was not renewed at the end of last season, and in June John Duncan accepted the post of Ipswich Town Manager.

Welcome

By Dave Eaton

IPSWICH TOWN

MEET THE PLAYERS AND MANAGER

John Duncan (Manager). Succeeded Bobby Ferguson as Manager of Ipswich Town in the close season, joining the Suffolk Club from Chesterfield. Entered football management at Scunthorpe and, after steering the Lincolnshire Club to the fringe of promotion in his second season, was surprisingly dismissed. Spent a brief spell at Hartlepool before leading Chesterfield to the Fourth Division title two years ago. In his playing days a prolific scoring centre forward. Moved from Dundee United to Spurs for £140,000 in 1974, and ended his playing career at Derby.

Jon Hallworth (Goalkeeper). A former Lancashire Schools representative from Stockport Hallworth was, last season, deputy to Paul Cooper who left in the summer to join Leicester City. Spent a short period out on loan to both Bristol Rovers and Swindon. He had made 14 senior appearances for Ipswich to the beginning of this current campaign.

Grayam Harbey (Defender). The 22 year old was signed from Derby for a fee of £80,000 during the close season. Made 20 appearances for Derby last season whom he joined as an apprentice.

David Lowe (Forward). A Liverpoolian, he was Manager Duncan's first signing for a fee of £80,000 from Wigan. Top scorer for Wigan last season with 20 goals. Capped by England ten times at Youth level.

Mark Brennan (Midfielder). A former England Youth and Under-21 International, he joined Ipswich as an apprentice from schools soccer in his native Lancashire. A powerful midfielder with a fine shot. Has made 168 senior appearances for Ipswich (19 goals) and was a member of the England Under-21 team in France during the summer.

Frank Yallop (Defender). Signed as an apprentice in 1979, he has been capped five times by England at Youth level. Born in Watford, he made his Ipswich debut at Everton in March 1984. Played 36 times last season to bring his senior appearances to 101.

Ian Cranston (Defender). Joined Ipswich as an apprentice from his native north-east. One of many players at Portman Road with England Under-21 caps. Used to play alongside Terry Butcher in the heart of the defence in Ipswich's First Division days. Injury restricted his appearances last season.

Mike Cole (Forward). The 21 year old forward made 20 senior appearances last season, scoring twice. Joined the Club as an apprentice. Born in London, he is striving to command a regular first team place.

Mick D'Avray (Forward). The longest serving player on the books. Born in Johannesburg, he joined Ipswich on the recommendation of former payer Colin Viljoen. In the late 1970's appearances restricted owing to the two player foreigner rule. Now a British citizen, with two England Under-21 caps.

Jason Dozzell (Midfielder). Local born, he joined Ipswich straight from school. He became the youngest ever First Division goalscorer when, as a schoolboy, he came on as a substitute and scored at Coventry three years ago. Ever present last season, he has been capped by England at both Youth and Under-21 level.

Romeo Zondervan (Midfielder). A former Dutch International, he was signed from West Bromwich Albion for £70,000 in March 1984. A versatile and popular player at Portman Road, voted the fans Player of the Year last season when he only missed three League games.

John Deehan (Forward). One of the senior members of a young squad, he joined Ipswich in an exchange deal in the summer of 1986 which saw Trevor Putney move in the opposite direction to Norwich. The 30 year old began his career at Aston Villa and later joined West Bromwich. He then moved to Norwich (162 League appearances). A former England Under-21 International.

Neill Rimmer (Midfielder). Signed as a 17 year old from Everton two years ago. He had only made one full first team appearance for Ipswich until the end of last season. That was in Ipswich's last season in Division One. Made one substitute appearance for Everton. Pressing this season for a regular place.

Mick Stockwell (Midfielder). The 22 year old has been with Ipswich for four years. He was an amateur on Orient's books. Made 24 appearances last season and scored his first senior goal at Derby, but finished on the losing side.

Tony Humes (Midfielder). A native of Blyth in the north-east, he joined Ipswich as an apprentice. The tough tackling 21 year old's League appearances have been restricted considerably owing to two broken legs. Made 23 first team appearances last season.

Dallan Atkinson (Forward). The 19 year old winger or striker was signed from Telford into apprentice professional ranks at Portman Road. Made ten senior appearances last season but failed to find the net. Hoping this season to gain a regular first team place.

Craig Forrest (Goalkeeper). The 20 year old joined Ipswich as an apprentice professional from Vancouver. Still looking for his first senior appearance at the end of last season. With the departure of Paul Cooper has the chance to push Hallworth for the regular first team place now.

Neil Woods (Forward). This 6 foot 21 year old striker was born in York. He previously played for Doncaster Rovers and Glasgow Rangers. He joined Ipswich from the Scottish Champions for a fee of £120,000 in July 1987.

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Ipswich Town F.C. – Season 1987/88 – First Team Squad

Back Row (left to right): Graham Harbey, David Lowe, Tony Humes, Nigel Gleghorn, Chris O'Donnell, Mick Stockwell.

Middle Row: Charlie Woods (Assistant Manager), Romeo Zondervan, Craig Forrest, John Deehan, Jon Hallworth, Michael Cole, John Duncan (Manager).

Front Row: Ian Cranson, Mich D'Avray, Ian Atkins, Jason Dozzell, Mark Brennan, Frank Yallop.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS BETWEEN SWINDON TOWN AND IPSWICH TOWN

At The County Ground

Football League

06.11.1938	D1-1	Francis pen.
12.04.1947	W2-1	Lucas, Owen
27.03.1948	L0-1	
06.11.1948	W4-0	Owen, Jones pen., Dawson 2
15.04.1950	L0-3	
17.03.1951	W2-0	Bain, Hudson
15.03.1952	L1-2	Owen
25.04.1953	W2-0	Owen, Millar
24.10.1953	L1-2	Lunn
31.12.1955	L0-1	
15.09.1956	W3-1	Owen, Edwards 2
31.10.1964	W3-1	Atkins, o.g., Summerbee

Football League Cup

Nil

F.A. Cup

29.11.1947	W4-2	Jones 2, o.g., Lucas
09.01.1965	L1-2	Brown

At Portman Road

Football League

10.437	11.03.1939	L1-3	Francis	12,000
13.209	07.12.1946	L1-3	Stephens W	14,787
14.440	08.11.1947	W1-0	Dryden	13,000
15.916	02.04.1949	L2-4	Dawson, Jones	9,160
10.438	28.01.1950	L1-3	Owen	14,000
7.003	28.10.1950	L1-4	Bain	11,570
7.733	27.10.1951	W5-1	Betteridge 2, o.g., Owen 2	5,478
8.518	15.04.1953	D1-1	Millar	17,802
13.147	24.04.1954	L0-2		13,285
10.909	03.09.1955	L2-6	Edwards, Owen	13,399
8.409	19.01.1957	L1-4	Richards	12,454
14.101	13.03.1965	D0-0		10,460
	19.09.1987	L2-3	Barnard, Quinn	

Football League Cup

26.11.1985	L1-6	o.g.	12,083
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F.A. Cup

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Will the Town reserves win at home this season? For sure they will not achieve this aim before the New Year for with the West Ham United fixture switched to Forest Green, the last opportunity passed. Their last attempt of 1987 to rid themselves of this unenviable record again came to no avail when they were defeated 3-1 at the County Ground by Oxford United.

In many respects it was a match they should not have lost. A catalogue of missed opportunities eventually proved costly. One of the main culprits in this respect was trialist Gary Smith.

Oxford United took the lead as early as the fourth minute through Lee Nogan. The Town equalised in the fifteenth minute following a Leigh Barnard corner, the resultant scramble in the goalmouth saw Bryan Wade score from close range. Misses from Gary Smith, Bryan Wade and Kieran O'Regan proved costly.



• **Bryan Wade** – who scored his third goal of the season in our Combination match with Oxford United. Bryan has been absent for most of the first half of the season with injury.

The Manor Ground Club took the lead again in the 71st minute through £140,000 signing Martin Foyle and then, following a mistake by Kieran O'Regan in the Town penalty area, United's Robbie Mustoe put the issue beyond all doubt in the 80th minute.

Team: Hammond, Merriman, Viveash, O'Regan, Parkin, Henry, Coyne, Smith, Wade, Barnard, Marshall. Substitute: Simpson.

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Oxford United made it two wins a week when their Youth team defeated the Town's South East Counties League team 2-1 at Lydiard Park on Saturday December 5th. The Manor Ground Club completed the 'double' having been 3-1 victors in the Combination match earlier in the week.

A heavy pitch and strong easterly wind made conditions difficult. United

took the lead in the seventeenth minute when Tully beat the advancing Town 'keeper Dowding with an angled shot.



• **Richard Morgan** – whose disallowed goal against Oxford United would have been his first of the season if allowed.

Richard Morgan had a goal disallowed when one of his team-mates was given offside. Trailing by the single first half goal the Town fared better in the second half and only five minutes after half-time they equalised.

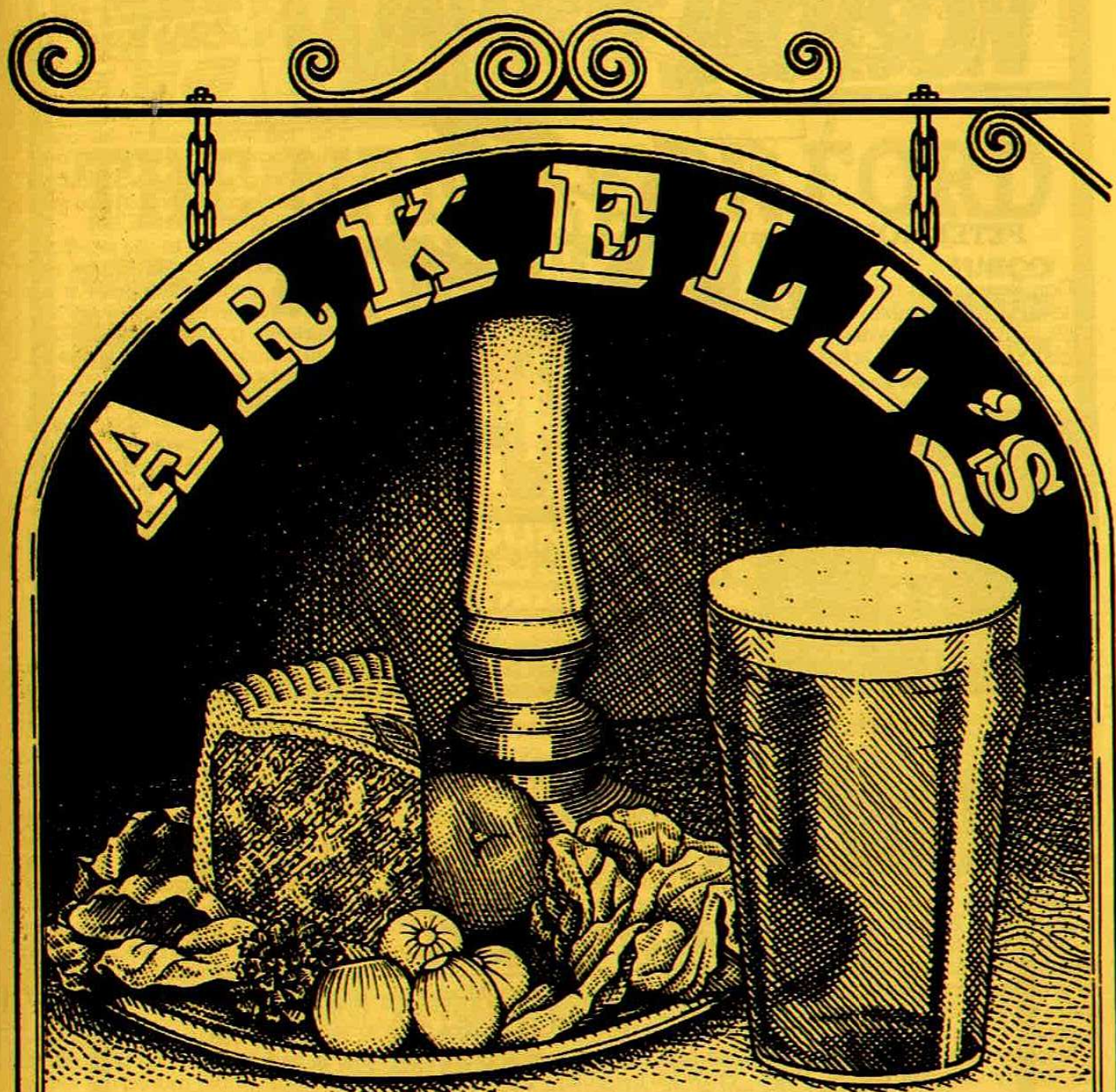
Fitzroy Simpson, received a centre from Paul Hunt and although his first shot was parried by Oxford United goalkeeper Ward, he scored at the second attempt, taking his total amount of goals to seven in South East Counties League matches.

Although dominating the play the Town conceded the points when, from a break, Denton netted from Tully's centre in the sixty-eighth minute.

The Town have now taken only three points from their last seven League matches although they still retained fifth position in the League. After an injury lay-off Nicky Summerbee returned to action as substitute for Paul Hunt in the second half.

Team: Dowding, Barnett, Casserly, Hunt, Bell, Sandrey, Trollope, Simpson, Hammersley, Pollard, Morgan. Substitutes: Summerbee (for Hunt in 65th minute), Lea.

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PETER NOBLE

If Don Rogers was the unquestionable hero of Wembley in March 1969, then Peter Noble deserves the acclaim for his displays in the earlier rounds of the competition.



Without his winner in the semi-final 1st leg at Burnley or his winner in the semi-final replay at the Hawthorns, Swindon Town would not have been able to grab the headlines with their incredible win over Arsenal.

Blessed with a wispy version of the Bobby Charlton haircut, Peter Noble always seemed to be the veteran of any of his Clubs, but contributed to all in much more youthful and committed way than his haircut would suggest.

Peter was born in Newcastle in August 1944 and came into League football with his home-town Club in September 1965.

Chelsea were the opposition on that afternoon in a Division One game

A to Z OF SWINDON TOWN

By Michael Scott

at Stamford Bridge which started Noble on a very successful professional career.

Despite scoring seven goals in fifteen games the following season, Noble's chances at St. James' Park were somewhat limited, prompting him to sign for Swindon Town in January 1968 for £8,000.

His first appearance for the 'Town' was as a substitute in the home game against Walsall, which was won 3-0 with goals from Rogers, Mel Nurse and Willie Penman.

Noble scored his own debut goal in the game against Bury, again as a substitute, he then added another in the same game in front of a 14,464 crowd at the County Ground.

These two goals were his only strikes of the season, but by the 1968-69 campaign his scoring had become much more frequent.

Finishing the season with 16 goals in the League, his contribution was immense, but greater in the fantastic League Cup run, netting a further four times against Torquay, Bradford and twice in the crucial ties at Burnley.

The following season he again finished top goalscorer for the 'Town' with twelve goals as the side finished fifth in the Second Division – so near and yet so far!

Denied a return to the top flight, Noble toiled on for the 'Town' and was again amongst the goals at the start of the seventies.

Fourteen goals in the 1970/71 season included a hat-trick in the 3-1 home win over Bolton in front of a then commonplace crowd of 15,106.

The same number of goals the following season secured him the top goalscorer spot, helped by a climax to the season which brought him five goals in 3 games. A brace against Watford at the County Ground was followed by a single goal in the 2-2 draw with Orient and on the final day of the season another double, this time at Preston as the 'Town' drew 2-2.

His last goal for the 'Town' came on March 12th, 1973, against Carlisle United at the County Ground. At the end of that season Burnley paid £40,000 for the balding supremo, and then promptly employed him at full-back!

This surprising tactic was destined for great success, however, as the 'Clarets' finished sixth in the First Division, their highest position since the mid 1960's.

Despite his accomplishments in the back four, Noble switched back to midfield and was the Clubs top scorer in the 1975/76, 1976/77 and 1978/79 seasons.

In January 1980, after 241 appearances had brought him 62 goals at Turf Moor, Noble moved on, to the seaside of Blackpool, where his playing career ended at the age of 38 after a further 92 appearances and 14 goals.

Peter Noble's great natural ability and will to win made him an asset to each of his Clubs, but in particular he will be fondly remembered by 'Town' fans as one of the brightest stars of the Clubs most successful ever period.

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Six-a-side soccer could soon take off all over Europe. F.I.F.A., the world governing body, sent their own observer to watch the recent Guinness 'Soccer Six' tournament in Manchester where sixteen Clubs played for £170,000 prize money.

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The Pulling Power of Swindon Town . . .

When we met **Huddersfield Town** on **Tuesday December 1st** one of our former players, **Colin Gordon**, was an interested onlooker. Nothing strange in that fact, except his own Club were in action that evening at **Mill-wall**. It just proves that the Town have a stronger pulling power for the **Reading** striker even though he left the County Ground for Wimbledon two seasons ago . . .

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1st December 1987

Dear Mr. King,

Last Thursday I came as a 'helper' with Mrs. Aris and her Wroughton Junior School class to visit the County Ground.

We all thoroughly enjoyed our visit, the only disappointment being for a group of five or six boys (my son included), was that they were unable to watch the team train.

Mrs. Aris and I have discussed this and I am writing to ask whether it would be possible for me to bring my son and four or five of his classmates to watch some training during their Christmas holidays (19th December - 3rd January)?

Whilst writing, my daughter, Sharon, (aged 12) is a Swindon Town fanatic and attends the Wroughton Ridgeway School so was unable to come with us on the Junior School Trip. Since she became a Season Ticket

holder last year she has taken it upon herself to do a project on Swindon Town and has collected every paper cutting, book, etc. she can get hold of.

If it was convenient for me to bring the boys during their Christmas holidays, could Sharon possibly come and get some autographs and photographs to add to her project which has taken her many hours to compile.

Before closing I would just like to thank you, Lou Macari and the team for the time, care and patience shown to us last Thursday - you are all a credit to your Club.

Yours sincerely
Ann Weston (Mrs.)

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Players Birthdays for January

Steve White will be 29 on the 2nd . . . Colin Calderwood reaches the ripe old age of 22 on the 20th! . . . Two days later, on the 22nd, Jon Gittens will celebrate his 23rd birthday . . .

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A RAKER'S VIEW

- Bobby Barnes ends up in the net with the ball in scoring the first goal for Swindon Town managed against Huddersfield



- Goal-a-game man Bobby Barnes goes close with a diving header against Huddersfield shortly after scoring Swindon's first of the night



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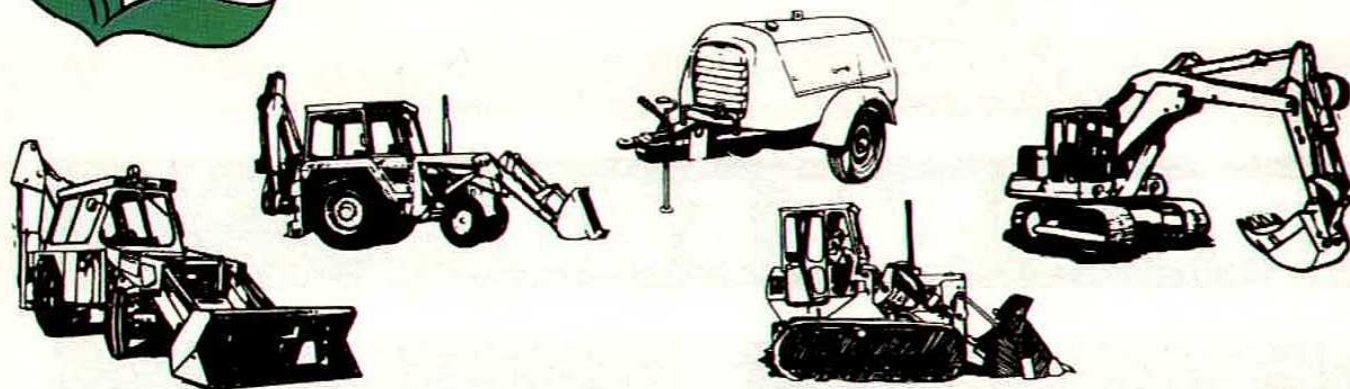
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• Steve White causing havoc in the Huddersfield penalty area





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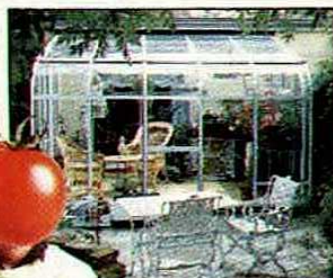
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THE MOONRAKER PAPER



talk!!

Bobby Barnes the former Aldershot and West Ham United player who has become a firm favourite with the County Ground faithful scored his seventh goal for the Town since his recent move. Bobby's goal against Huddersfield Town set the tone for Barry Flatman's match report in the 'Daily Express' in his account of the game on December 1st.

Bobby Barnes put Swindon on the way to victory with his seventh goal in seven games since his £50,000 transfer from Aldershot.

Huddersfield, who lifted themselves off the bottom of the Second Division on Saturday after two wins, produced a couple of early flurries with ex-Arsenal man David Cork going close.

Dave Bamber squandered a free header in front of goal for Swindon but ex-West Ham winger Barnes made no mistake after half an hour when he popped up to stab in Steve White's cross.

VICIOUS

Three minutes later Northern Ireland international striker Jimmy Quinn scored a goal that could have graced any ground in the world.

Quinn looked to have lost possession when he turned and let fly with a vicious 30-yard shot which left Huddersfield goalkeeper Lee Martin rooted to the ground.

Swindon should have increased their lead five minutes after the break when Quinn crossed for White, who looked afraid to shoot, and instead rolled a hopeless pass for Barnes which came to nothing.

Steve Foley scored twice in five minutes to put Swindon 4-0 up but Huddersfield pulled a goal back with 11 minutes to go through striker Graham Cooper.

Paul Hickson of the 'Western Daily Press' thought we let the Yorkshire side off the hook by only scoring four goals.

Swindon Town piled on the humiliation for Malcolm Macdonald's Second Division fall guys last night.

The Yorkshiremen were hit for ten at Manchester City and Lou Macari's men looked odds on for double figures in a desperately one-sided game.

Swindon spared Supermac's blushes with some wayward marksmanship in front of their lowest League gate of the season, 6,963.

It took the home side 30 minutes to find the net, through Bobby Barnes, but Jimmy Quinn gave them a two-goal cushion at the break and a Steve Foley double in the second-half completed the rout.

Paul attributed Steve Foley's after the match remarks that the win had taken pressure off Lou Macari!

A jubilant Foley walked away with a plastic matchball for his night's efforts and said: "Hopefully this will take some of the pressure off the manager - and set up up for Aston Villa on Saturday.

"Even I couldn't have missed the first goal but I was pleased I kept my cool for the second.

"We didn't play well for the opening half hour but once we started scoring there was no stopping us."

Graham Cooper scored Huddersfield's consolation goal 11 minutes from time.

Manager Macari gave up his place on the bench last night in favour of another scouting mission.

He missed nothing in the opening half hour. Barnes forced Steve White's shot over the line to signal what should have been the start of an avalanche of goals.

Quinn left keeper Lee Martin rooted to his line eight minutes before the break with a pinpoint right-foot shot.

A last-gasp interception denied Barnes two minutes into the second-half but there were plenty more chances to come.

Foley, Barnes and Phil King all went close before Swindon broke through again in the 73rd minute.

Bamber's cross was backheeled by White for Foley to sidefoot home.

The midfielder added another five minutes later, springing a pitiful offside trap before supplying a clinical finish.

Cooper pulled one back almost immediately but there was to be no respite for the visitors.

Foley was denied a hat-trick by Martin's fingertips; Steve Walford cleared off the line from Quinn; then Dave Hockaday and Bamber both missed the target by inches.

Macari revealed yesterday that he has put in bids for two players following scouting trips to Scotland.

He declined to name either player - a midfielder and a full back - but either deal could shatter his own previous record buy.

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DATE	OPPONENTS	V	Attd	Result	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
15.8.87	SAT BRADFORD CITY	A	10,853	0-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Coyne	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	Gittens
18.8.87	TUE BRISTOL CITY 7.45 (LC)	H	6,807	3-0	Digby	O'Regan	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Kelly	Gittens
22.8.87	SAT SHEFFIELD UNITED	H	8,637	2-0	Digby	O'Regan	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood (1)	Bamber	Kelly
25.8.87	TUE BRISTOL CITY (LC)	A	7,013	2-3	Digby	O'Regan	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Coyne	Berry (p)
29.8.87	SAT WEST BROM.	A	8,503	2-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	Kelly (1)
31.8.87	MON HULL CITY 7.45	H	9,600	0-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	Berry
5.9.87	SAT MIDDLESBROUGH	A	9,344	3-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber (1)	O'Regan
12.9.87	SAT BIRMINGHAM CITY	H	9,128	0-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	O'Regan
15.9.87	TUE BARNLEY	A	7,773	1-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber (1)	O'Regan
19.9.87	SAT IPSWICH TOWN	A	11,460	2-3	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	O'Regan
22.9.87	TUE PORTSMOUTH 7.45 (LC)	H	9,878	3-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	White
26.9.87	SAT READING	H	10,073	4-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara (2)	Parkin (1)	Calderwood	Bamber	Henry
29.9.87	TUE SHREWSBURY T.	H	8,261	1-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	Henry
3.10.87	SAT MILLWALL	A	7,108	2-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	O'Regan
7.10.87	WED PORTSMOUTH 8.00 (LC)	A	8,727	3-1	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber (2)	O'Regan
10.10.87	SAT OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	8,160	2-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber (1)	White
20.10.87	TUE STOKE CITY	H	9,160	3-0	Digby	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	White
24.10.87	SAT CRYSTAL PALACE	A	9,077	1-2	Digby	Hockaday	King	O'Regan	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	White
28.10.87	WED WATFORD 8.00 (LC)	H	13,833	1-1	Hammond	Hockaday	King	O'Regan	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	White
31.10.87	SAT MANCHESTER CITY	H	11,536	3-4	Hammond	Hockaday	King	Barnard	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber (1)	White
3.11.87	TUE WATFORD 8.00 (LC)	A	12,286	2-4	Hammond	Hockaday	King	O'Regan	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	Kamara
7.11.87	SAT LEICESTER CITY	A	8,346	2-3	Hammond	Hockaday	King	Barnard	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	Kamara
10.11.87	TUE BLACKBURN R. (Simod)	A	3,638	2-1	Hammond	Hockaday	King	Barnard	Parkin (1)	Calderwood	Bamber	Kamara
14.11.87	SAT PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	H	9,616	1-1	Flowers	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Parkin	Calderwood	Bamber	Barnard
21.11.87	SAT LEEDS UNITED	A	15,457	2-4	Flowers	Hockaday	King	Coyne	Gittens	Calderwood	Bamber	Barnard
28.11.87	SAT A.F.C. BOURNEMTH	H	7,934	4-2	Flowers	Hockaday	King	O'Regan	Gittens	Calderwood	Barnes (1)	Bamber
1.12.87	TUE HUDDERSFIELD T. 7.45	H	6,963	4-1	Flowers	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Gittens	Calderwood	Bamber	White
5.12.87	SAT ASTON VILLA	A	16,127	1-2	Flowers	Hockaday	King	Kamara	Gittens	Calderwood	Barnes	Bamber
20.12.87	SUN SHEFFIELD UTD. (11 am)	A										
23.12.87	WED DERBY C. 7.45 (Simod)	H										
26.12.87	SAT READING (11 am)	A										
28.12.87	MON IPSWICH TOWN (3pm)	H										
1.1.88	FRI WEST BROM. (3pm)	H										
2.1.88	SAT BIRMINGHAM CITY	A										
9.1.88	SAT NORWICH (FACup) (3pm)	H										
16.1.88	SAT BRADFORD CITY	H										
23.1.88	SAT HULL CITY	A										
6.2.88	SAT MIDDLESBROUGH	H										
13.2.88	SAT HUDDERSFIELD T.	A										
20.2.88	SAT SHREWSBURY T.	A										
27.2.88	SAT MILLWALL	H										
12.3.88	SAT OLDHAM ATHLETIC	A										
19.3.88	SAT MANCHESTER CITY	A										
26.3.88	SAT CRYSTAL PALACE	H										
2.4.88	SAT LEICESTER CITY	H										
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Quinn (3)	Bamber	Barnard	Coyne	Henry†
Quinn (1)	Berry	Barnard	Henry	Foley
Quinn	Bamber (1)	Barnard	Foley	Henry†
Quinn (1)	Berry†	Barnard	Coyne†	Foley
Quinn	Foley	Barnard	Henry	Coyne†
Quinn (1)	Foley	Barnard (1)	Henry	White
Quinn	Foley	Barnard	Coyne†	Kelly†
Quinn†	Foley†	Barnard	Kelly†	Henry†
Quinn (1)	Foley	Barnard (1)	White	Kelly†
Quinn (2 + n)	Foley	Barnard	Henry	O'Regan†
Quinn (p)	Foley	Barnard	White†	Gittens†
Quinn (1)	Foley	Barnard	White	Gittens†
Henry	Foley (1)	Barnard	White	Quinn (1)†
Quinn	Foley†	Barnard	White (1)†	Henry†
Quinn	Foley	Barnard	Kelly†	Henry
Quinn (1)	Foley	Barnes	Barnard†	Henry†
Gittens	Barnard†	Barnes	Coyne	Henry†
Quinn (1)	Foley	Barnard	Henry†	Gittens†
Quinn†	Foley (1)	Barnes (1)	O'Regan†	Henry†
Quinn (1)	Foley (1)	Barnard	White†	Kelly
Quinn (1)	Foley	Barnes (1)	O'Regan	White
White†	Gittens (1)†	Barnes	Henry†	Foley†
Quinn†	Foley†	Barnes	O'Regan†	White†
Quinn	O'Regan	Barnes (2)	Henry†	White
Quinn (1)	Foley	White (2)	Henry	Coyne
Quinn (1)	Foley (2)	Barnes (1)	O'Regan	Wade
Quinn (p)†	Foley†	White	Parkin†	Wade†

† Denotes substitute used and player replaced

THIRD TIME UNLUCKY!

The recent dismissal of **Bryan Hamilton** from the Managers seat at Leicester City was the third occasion this season that a former **Swindon Town** employee had lost position this season. A total of **16** have lost their jobs since August. They are:

Carlisle United	Harry Gregg
Colchester United	Mike Walker
Doncaster Rovers	Dave Cusack
Exeter City	Colin Appleton
Hereford United	John Newman
Huddersfield Town	Mick Buxton
Leicester City	Bryan Hamilton
Newport County	Jimmy Mullen
Norwich City	Ken Brown
Rotherham United	Norman Hunter
Scunthorpe United	Frank Barlow
Shrewsbury Town	'Chic' Bates
Southend United	Dick Bate
Tottenham Hotspur	David Pleat
West Bromwich Albion	Ron Saunders

While **Harry Gregg**, **'Chic' Bates** and **Bryan Hamilton** have lost their positions, one former Town employee has returned to the fold. For **Dave Mackay**, recently returned from Kuwait, has been appointed Manager of Doncaster Rovers. Dave's first match in charge ended in a 4-1 defeat at Southend. Among the United goalscorers was former Town utility player Derek Hall.

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1969-70	Arthur Horsfield	18
1970-71	Don Rogers	14
1971-72	Peter Noble	14
1972-73	Ray Treacy	13
1973-74	Peter Eastoe	8

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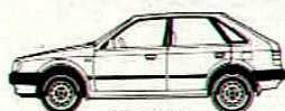
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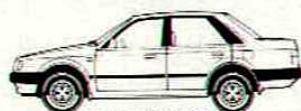
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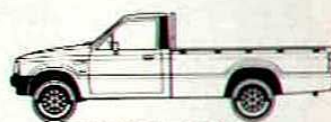
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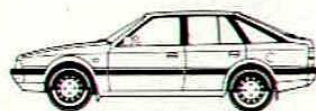
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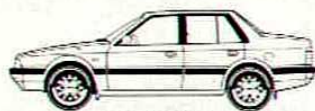
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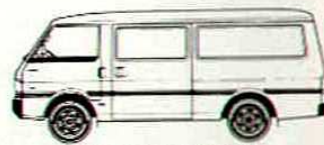
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