

MANSFIELD TOWN

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LEAGUE DIV .III CHAMPIONSHIP

MONDAY 13th APRIL

VERSUS

SWINDON

KICK-OFF 5.30 p.m.



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INTRODUCING OUR VISITORS

SWINDON T.

Founded 1881 by Rev. W. Pitt for young men of his parish; became professional club in 1894; Southern League 1894-1920, when became one of original members of League Division III; known popularly as 'the Moonrakers' (from the Wiltshire legend), 'the Robins' (from their colours), or (like Crewe) 'the Railwaymen'.

Ground: County Ground, Swindon, Wilts.

Record crowd: 28,400.

Colours: red shirts with white collars, white shorts.

Manager Mr B. Head. Previous managers have included Messrs S. Allen, N. Harris, M. Lindley, L. Page and E. Vizard.

League career: Division III 1920-1; III (South) 1921-39, 1946-58; Division III 1958-9. Highest positions: 4th in Div. III 1920-1; 4th in III (South) 1924-5, 1946-7, 1948-9, 1957-8 5th 1926-7. Lowest: bottom 1922-3, 1955-6; bottom but one 1956-7.

Most points: 57 out of 92, 1957-8. Least: 29 out of 84, 1932-3; 30 out of 92, 1955-6.

Best scoring season: 1926-7, 100 goals in 42 matches.

Best defensive season: 1924-5 conceding 38 goals in 42 matches.

Highest League score: 9-1 v. Luton Town, 1920-1.

Most goals in League season: 47 by D. Morris, was top scorer in Div. III in 1926-7.

Morris was top scorer in III (South) in 19 1927-8 with 38 goals; G. Morton with 28 goals was top scorer in Div. III (South) in 1938-9.

Notable transfers include J. Murphy from West Bromwich Albion, 1939.

PEN PICTURES

Ray Chandler, (Goal) Signed from Bristol Rovers in 1956 season after completing three years with that club. Born at Bath, Somerset.

Walter Bingley, L.B. Born in Sheffield. Signed in the early part of the 1958 season, making his league debut for the 'Robins' then ever present since. Walter has played for Sheffield Wednesday and Bolton.

John Neal, R.B. Signed from Hull City, after spending one season with King's Lynn, in 1957. A keen tackler, fast in recovery. Represented the South v. North last year in the Division Representative Match last season. Has been a professional sprinter.

John Fountain, R.H. Born in Leeds. Signed from Sheffield United in 1957.

George Hudson, C.H. He became a Swindon player in September 1948 and gained his league place in the latter half of that season. A native of Havant (Hants) was a professional with Portsmouth before joining the 'Robins'. He must be one of the strongest half backs in the League. He stands 6ft. 1½in. and weighs 15 stone.

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Sam Weavers Notes

This evening we welcome Swindon Town to Field Mill and although there is little besides reputation at stake for either of us in this match, I hope we may look forward to an entertaining game. Our Wiltshire friends have not had such a successful season as most people expected after the fine form they showed in the last season in Division III (South), but they are a strong side and we shall do well to take points from them this evening.

Unfortunately our Reserves have lost some valuable points over their last three games which could seriously jeopardise their promotion chances. A glance at the table shows there are now four teams with equal points and the results of these last few games will decide who goes up with Bournemouth who seem certain of promotion. As you know there are three teams to go up and fortunately for us the other clubs on equal points with us have all to play each other which may be a benefit to us. We have one remaining game to play against Swindon Res. at home next Saturday which could well turn out to be a vital promotion battle, and hope we may see a good crowd of supporters at this game to cheer our lads on.

PEN PICTURES

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Rex Tilley, L.H. Signed this season from Plymouth. Joined Plymouth from Chippenham. After a period of six years with Plymouth, he has joined the 'Robins'. Born in Swindon

John Stephens, O.R. Joined the 'Robins' in the Close season for a large fee, from Hull City. At the age of 22 he has already been capped for Wales under 23 side. He was among the forty, out of which the Welsh team for the World Cup series was selected.

John Richards, I.R. Signed from the Army during 1957-8 season. A goal scoring inside forward. Last season top goal scorer with 17. He is a versatile forward, playing in all inside forward positions and right wing.

Bob Edwards, I.L. Last season was second highest goal scorer with 15 goals. He was ever present last year in the club's best season for some years. He joined the town in 1956 from Chelsea. Born at Guildford.

Arnold Darcy, O.L. Born at Blackburn. Joined the 'Robins' from Wigan Athletic during 1956-7 season.

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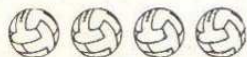
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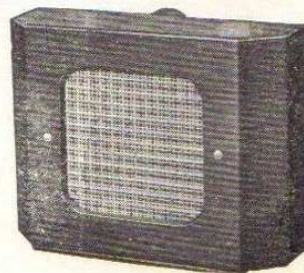
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Supporters Club Notes

LADIES DARTS TEAM

Critique

Mrs B. Smith Has played in every match and has had steady games all season. Has captained the team well.

Mrs D. Godber Another ever present member, has had varied success, more concentration would improve her game.

Mrs A. Brown Has not played throughout the season, but her games have been extremely good and has given the team support.

Mrs S. Raynor A regular player and has been the backbone of the team.

Mrs K. Lyons A much improved player. Has had good games all season. Practice will maintain this improvement.

Mrs H. Flint Has played in most matches, her form has been in and out. If nervousness is overcome - will be a good player.

Mrs D. Wells Has played in most matches and has had steady performances.

Mrs E. Rose Has not played regularly but has attended every match home and away. Her support and encouragement have meant a lot to the team.

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League Table — Division III

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hull City	41	24	8	9	84	47	56
Plymouth	42	21	14	7	85	57	56
Brentford	41	19	13	9	65	43	51
Norwich	39	18	12	9	75	53	48
Southend	42	20	8	14	78	67	48
Tranmere	43	20	7	16	73	64	47
Reading	41	19	8	14	69	56	46
Bury	42	16	12	14	63	51	44
South'pton	42	16	10	16	84	73	42
Colchester	40	16	10	14	61	61	42
Accrington	42	15	11	16	69	69	41
Halifax	39	15	7	15	62	70	41
Queens PR	42	17	7	18	68	74	41
Chesh'field	42	15	10	17	64	61	40
Bourn'm'th	42	15	10	17	62	67	40
Bradford C.	42	15	10	17	78	75	40
MANSFIELD	41	14	11	16	69	89	39
Swindon	41	13	12	16	50	51	38
Newport	40	14	8	18	60	63	36
Wrexham	40	12	12	16	53	68	36
Stockport	41	12	10	19	61	72	34
Doncaster	43	14	3	26	48	86	31
Notts. C.	42	8	12	22	53	86	28
Rochdale	42	8	11	23	37	77	27

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Division II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bournm'th	30	20	3	7	84	40	43
Mansfield	31	17	3	11	70	61	37
Brentford	29	15	5	9	58	46	35
Swindon	29	15	4	10	64	42	34
South'mton	29	15	4	10	57	40	34
Southend	29	16	2	11	62	53	34
Queens PR	29	13	6	10	61	66	32
Reading	29	13	5	11	61	54	31
Aldershot	32	13	5	14	65	87	31
Millwall	31	13	4	14	52	48	30
North'm'ton	29	14	2	13	70	70	30
Norwich	29	10	6	13	64	60	26
Plymouth	29	10	6	13	60	62	26
Crystal P.	29	10	5	14	36	49	25
Notts. C.	28	6	7	15	44	68	19
Watford	30	7	4	19	40	65	18
Coventry	30	5	7	18	44	81	17

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1958									
Aug.	23	S	Southampton	H	1	6	
	27	W	Bradford City	A	0	2	1
	30	S	Accrington Stanley	A	0	2	1
Sept.	1	M	Bradford City	...	...	H	4	3	
	6	S	Halifax Town	...	...	H	4	3	
	9	Tu	Brentford	...	...	A	0	2	1
	13	S	Newport County	...	...	A	0	1	
	15	M	Brentford	...	...	H	2	1	1
	20	S	Chesterfield	...	...	H	3	1	4
	22	M	Wrexham	...	...	H	4	3	
	27	S	Notts. County	...	...	A	1	2	
Oct.	1	W	Wrexham	...	...	A	3	4	
	4	S	Queens Park Rangers	...	...	A	2	0	4
	11	S	Doncaster Rovers	...	...	H	1	4	
	18	S	Plymouth Argyle	...	...	A	2	2	1
	25	S	Tranmere Rovers	...	...	A	2	1	3
Nov.	1	S	Stockport County	...	...	A	3	3	
	8	S	Reading	...	...	A	3	4	
	15	S	(1) Bradford City	...	...	A	1	5	
	22	S	Southend United	...	...	H	Aban.		
	29	S	Norwich City	...	...		
Dec.	6	S	(2)	...	...		
	13	S	Bury	...	...	H	0	2	3
	20	S	Southampton	...	...	A	2	3	
	26	SD	Hull City	...	...	A	2	5	
	27	S	Hull City	...	...	H	1	1	
1959									
Jan.	3	S	Accrington Stanley	...	...	H	3	2	
	10	S	(3) Colchester United	...	...	H	3	2	
	17	S	Halifax Town	...	...	A	0	0	3
	23	S	(4) Bournemouth	...	...	A	3	3	
	31	S	Newport County	...	...	A	2	1	3
Feb.	7	S	Chesterfield	...	...	A	1	3	
	14	S	(5) Notts. County	...	...	H	3	0	1
	21	S	Queens Park Rangers	...	...	A	1	1	1
	28	S	(6) Doncaster Rovers	...	...	H	3	8	
Mar.	7	S	Plymouth Argyle	...	...	A	3	0	2
	14	S	(SF) Tranmere Rovers	...	...	A	2	4	
	21	S	Stockport County	...	...	A	2	2	0
	27	GF	Rochdale	...	...	A	1	0	0
	28	S	Reading	...	...	H	1	0	0
	30	EM	Rochdale	...	...	H	3		
April	4	S	Colchester United	...	...	A	3		
	11	S	Southend United	...	...	H			
	13	M	Swindon Town	...	...	H			
	18	S	Norwich City	...	...	A			
	22	W	Swindon Town	...	...	A			
	25	S	Bournemouth	...	...	H			
	28	Tu	Bury	...	...	A			
May	2	S	Final	...	...		

Reserves - Football Comb.

1958									
Aug.	23	S	Aldershot	...	...	A	4	2	
	30	S	Millwall	...	...	H	2	1	3
Sept.	6	S	Southampton	...	...	A	1	3	
	13	S	Coventry City	...	...	H	3	0	
	13	Th	Notts. County	...	...	A	2	0	
	20	S		...	...		
	27	S	Gillingham	...	...	H	Cancel		
Oct.	4	S	Plymouth Argyle	...	...	A	1	2	
	11	S	Queens Park Rangers	...	...	H	2	3	
	18	S	Southend United	...	...	A	2	1	
	25	S	Watford	...	...	H	1	1	
Nov.	1	S	Norwich City	...	...	A	2	9	
	8	S	Bournemouth	...	...	H	1	4	
	15	S	Reading	...	...	A	0	3	1
	22	S	Crystal Palace	...	...	H	3	1	
	29	S	Northampton	...	...	A	0	2	
Dec.	6	S	Southend United	...	...	H	4	2	
	13	S	Queens Park Rangers	...	...	A	2	0	
	20	S	Aldershot	...	...	H	3	1	
	26	SD	Brentford	...	...	H	3	1	
	27	S	Brentford	...	...	A	2	2	
1959									
Jan.	3	S	Millwall	...	...	A	5	1	
	10	S		...	...		
	17	S	Southampton	...	...	H	2	0	
	24	S	Gillingham	...	...	A			
	31	S	Coventry City	...	...	A	7	2	
Feb.	7	S	Notts. County	...	...	H	4	1	
	14	S		...	...		
	21	S	Plymouth Argyle	...	...	H	1	0	
	28	S	Watford	...	...	A	1	4	
Mar.	7	S	Norwich City	...	...	H	6	1	
	14	S	Crystal Palace	...	...	A	4	0	0
	21	S	Reading	...	...	H	0	0	0
	27	GF	Swindon Town	...	...	A	0	5	
	28	S	Bournemouth	...	...	A	0	4	
April	4	S	Northampton	...	...	H	1	5	
	11	S		...	...		
	18	S	Swindon Town	...	...	H			
	25	S		...	...		
May	2	S		...	...		