



Friday, March 31st, 1961

K.O. 3.15 p.m.

League, Div. III

SWINDON TOWN



NEXT MATCHES AT THIS STADIUM

League, Division III

WALSALL

SATURDAY, APRIL 1st

Kick off ... 3.15 p.m.

Football Combination

SWINDON

MONDAY, APRIL 3rd

Kick off ... 3.15 p.m.

Football Combination

ALDERSHOT

SATURDAY, APRIL 8th

Kick off ... 3.15 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

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Bush Telegraph

BY THE EDITOR

It's tough at the top. Not so long ago London boasted three top-of-the-table teams Spurs, Rangers and Crystal Palace.

Now Rangers and Palace have surrendered top place, and Tottenham have seen their lead whittled down.

Easter could be the decisive time for all of us—and here's hoping that the run of the ball is with Rangers as the team approaches the Second Division home straight.

It is with regret that we announce the death in hospital at Grimsby of Mr. Arthur Drewry, chairman of the executive committee of F.I.F.A. and chairman of the F.A. Council.

The players today wear black armbands as a mark of respect to Mr. Drewry, a fine football administrator and a man whose help and advice has made him a friend of Queen's Park Rangers.

His loss will be felt.

Tomorrow's home game against Walsall could be one of the most important in the club history. A win could be worth four points to the victors. Again, here's hoping.

They say it is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all. The same might apply to a promotion challenge. Without writing off the bid, let us contemplate the excitements there have already been by being a top-of-the-table team after so long a Cinderella.

The team deserves that extra encouragement at this time—and I am sure Rangers' loyal supporters will see that it is forthcoming.

How refreshing it was to hear the applause at the end of the Chesterfield game. They were worthy winners on the day, and the crowd accepted the fact in sporting fashion.

Well done. It was quite a jolt for the critics.

Welcome . . .

To Swindon. Manager Bert Head's team provide attractive Easter opposition. Youth is a feature of

the team, and many of the regulars in the Third Division side are still eligible for Youth Cup games.

Swindon, although they have not set the soccer world on fire this season from a results viewpoint, look to have a secure future.

The football I saw them serve up at Watford earlier this season—when they lost by a single disputed goal—was worthy of a team from a higher grade.

Note the names of Ernie Hunt and Mike Summerbee. These teenage forwards have already been attracting the attention of the big clubs—and they are just two of Swindon's exciting young prospects.

I Hear . . .

That manager Alec Stock, now installed at a new home at Epsom, comes to work each day refreshed by a morning work-out on the Downs. His young daughters, both keen on horse riding, make sure there is no laying about in bed.

That right back Pat Woods, still set to emigrate to Australia at the end of the season, is matchfit again after a thigh injury he sustained at Tranmere.

That a First Division club came on with an enquiry for 20-year-old Mike Keen on the transfer-deadline day. Manager Stock's to-the-point answer: "I can't release him while we are in the promotion race. Anyway, why should I sell the best player in the Third Division?"

That England Under-23 team manager noticed Keen's promise when he starred for Rangers in a practice match against the internationals at Loftus Road.

That Brian Bedford's header

against Chesterfield was his 100th League goal.

That manager Stock told the team this week: "The issue is now clear-cut. You have to beat Swindon and Walsall at home to stay in the promotion race".

That Mr. Stock's reaction to two consecutive defeats was to order a day's holiday for the first team. Brine baths at Brighton on Tuesday were the result.

RANGERS LINE-UPS AND SCORERS

Wednesday, March 15th, 1961

Football Combination

v. Luton Town Res. (A). Lost 2—5.
(Collins 2.)

Team: Slack; T. Fearey, Newcombe; Cockell, L. Burgess, Turner; Barber, C. Sells, Razzell, Collins, Hobbs.

Saturday, March 18th, 1961

Football League—Division III

v. Chesterfield (H). Lost 1—2. (Bedford.)

Team: Drinkwater; Baker, Ingham; Keen, Rutter, Angell; Lazarus, Bedford, Evans, Andrews, Whitaker.

Football Combination

v. Southend United Res. (A). Lost 1—3.
(Razzell.)

Team: Slack; T. Fearey, Baker (D); R. Walker, Whitfield, Turner; Golding, Bottoms, Razzell, Collins, Tomkins.

Monday, March 20th, 1961

Football Combination

v. Brentford (H). Drew 2—2 (Razzell 2.)

Team: M. Edney; Newcombe, T. Fearey, Bottoms, R. Walker, R. Sleep; Golding, C. Sells, Razzell, J. Moran, Hobbs.

Saturday, March 25th, 1961

Football League—Division III

v. Burn (A). Lost 0—1.

Team: Drinkwater; Baker, Ingham, Cockell, Rutter, Angell; Longbottom, Bedford, Evans, Keen, Andrews.

Summary of Appearances in 1960/61

	F.L.	F.C.	F.A. Cup	F.L. Cup	L.C. Cup
Andrews	30	—	1	1	—
Angell	37	—	1	1	—
Baker (D.) ...	—	9	—	—	—
Baker (P.) ...	4	—	—	—	—
Barber	9	19	—	2	1
Bedford	35	—	2	2	—
Bottoms	2	25	—	1	1
Carey	15	2	1	1	—
Clark	21	1	1	2	—
Cockell	7	16	1	1	1
Collins	—	26	—	—	2
Drinkwater ...	37	—	2	1	—
Evans	18	1	—	—	—
Golding	8	13	—	—	1
Hobbs (App.) ..	—	4	—	—	—
Ingham	37	—	2	2	—
Keen	25	4	2	1	1
Lazarus	23	—	2	2	—
Longbottom ..	18	5	1	—	1
Newcombe ...	—	24	—	—	1
Pollard	—	1	—	—	1
Razzell	—	27	—	—	2
Rutter	37	—	2	2	—
Slack	—	2	—	—	—
Spence	—	12	—	—	1
Tomkins	—	11	—	—	2
Turner	—	23	—	—	2
Whitaker	5	—	—	—	—
Whitfield	12	9	2	—	1
Woods	31	1	2	2	—

	F.L.	F.C.	F.A. Cup	F.L. Cup	L.C. Cup
J. Bateson	—	1	—	—	—
L. Burgess	—	2	—	—	—
M. Edney	—	3	—	—	—
T. Fearey	—	7	—	—	—
C. Field	—	2	—	—	—
R. Good	—	2	—	—	—
A. Jones	—	24	—	—	2
J. Moran	—	2	—	—	—
B. Myers	—	1	—	—	—
J. Noble	—	3	—	—	—
M. Pinner	—	10	—	1	1
C. Sells	—	4	—	—	—
R. Sleep	—	2	—	—	—
R. Walker	—	23	—	—	1
M. Williams ..	—	9	—	—	2

Goalscorers

Football League: Bedford 28, Lazarus 10, Evans 10, Clark 6, Andrews 5, Woods 5, Whitfield 3, Barber 2, Keen 2, Carey 1, Longbottom 1. Total 73.

F.A. Cup: Bedford 3, Longbottom 1.

Football League Cup: Bedford 1, Lazarus 1, Rutter 1.

Football Combination: Collins 21, Razzell 15, Bottoms 6, Golding 5, Tomkins 4, Barber 4, Newcombe 2, Turner 1, Walker 1. O.G.s 2. Total 60.

London Challenge Cup: Barber 1, Collins 1.

SCOREBOARD

(Half-Times)

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION I

A Blackburn v. Everton
B Blackpool v. Man. United
C Burnley v. Nottm. Forest
D Cardiff v. Birmingham
E Fulham v. Arsenal
F Man. City v. P.N.E.
G Newcastle v. Sheffield W.
H Tottenham v. Chelsea
J West Ham v. Leicester
K
L

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION II

A Brighton v. Plymouth
B Charlton v. Huddersfield
C Ipswich v. Middlesbro'
D Leyton O. v. Southampton
E Lincoln v. Stoke City
F Liverpool v. Bristol R.
G Luton Town v. Swansea
H Sunderland v. Norwich
J
K
L

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION III

A Bournemouth v. Watford	G Tranmere v. Bradford City
B Bristol City v. Torquay	H
C Chesterfield v. Hull City	J
D Colchester v. Walsall	K
E Grimsby v. Bury	L
F Port Vale v. Coventry	M

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS

(Blue and White)

2 Ray Drinkwater Goal			3 Tony Ingham Left Back		
4 Peter Baker Right Back	5 Keith Rutter Centre Half		6 Peter Angell Left Half		
8 Dave Cockell Right Half	10 Brian Bedford Inside Right		11 Mike Keen Inside Left		
7 Arthur Longbottom Outside Right	9 Bernard Evans Centre Forward		11 Jimmy Andrews Outside Left		

Referee :
Mr. R. H. WINDLE
(Chesterfield)



Linesmen :
Mr. H. G. STENNETT
(Red Flag)
Mr. S. J. PURNELL
(Yellow Flag)

11		9		7
Arnold Darcy		Mick Summerbee		David Corbett
Outside Left	10	Centre Forward	8	Outside Right
	Ron Woodruff		Ron Hunt	
6	Inside Left	5	Inside Right	4
John Bell		Morris Owen		Keith Morgan
Left Half	3	Centre Half	2	Right Half
	Norman Trollope		Ken Jones	
	Left Back		Right Back	
		Goal		
		Sam Burton		

SWINDON TOWN

(Red and White)

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"BEATING ABOUT THE 'BUSH'"

SLEEVES UP! Following two successive defeats, and the relinquishing of our home record to lowly Chesterfield, the pessimists have already written off Rangers as promotion bets.

True our lads have struck a bad patch and in recent games have not shown promotion form, but few teams escape this "bad patch" business in a football season, as all-conquering Spurs and Crystal Palace will testify.

But are we to be written off as promotion prospects? Of course not!

Our "comfortable lead" has been whittled away—unfortunately—but at the time of writing we are reasonably clear of Grimsby and Notts County. Bury now look "odds-on" as champions, which leaves Walsall as our big rivals, whom we entertain tomorrow. But we have one vital game in hand—an away fixture at Halifax. A difficult game maybe, but it still gives us the edge on Walsall.

So away with pessimism! This is no time to throw in the sponge, as some sports writers would have us believe! This is a time when we must have faith in ourselves. A time when our players must roll up their sleeves and show our critics that our top-of-the-table position for so long, is not unjustified.

And for we who support. A long way to go yet maybe. Nine more obstacles to be overcome. Four more chances at Loftus Road to show our faith in the players and four more chances to demonstrate our support and enthusiasm, starting today.

So forget the pessimism. We have more than an equal chance with Walsall and there is no earthly reason why we should not come out on top.

That's the spirit in which we should face the games remaining.

AWAY FROM HOME too, our lads will need all the support they can get. We for our part will make sure that every facility is available to those who can get to our five remaining away games.

Swindon on Monday and Shrewsbury the following Saturday are our immediate objectives and transport is laid on.

As announced previously, we are making a weekend of it for our game at Torquay on April 22nd, leaving at midnight on Friday and returning to London on Sunday afternoon.

Arrangements are being made for bed-

and-breakfast on the Saturday and the inclusive charge will be around £2 5s. 0d.

This will enable members to spend a whole day and the Sunday morning in Torquay. Plenty of time to see the sea and, we hope, enjoy the game at Plainmoor.

Supporters will appreciate that quite a bit of work is involved for someone when arrangements of this kind are made, and that the cost is kept to a minimum.

It is up to members to support these ventures if they possibly can and above all, **book as early as possible** in order to help our Travel Organiser.

Given good weather, this should prove a very pleasant weekend.

Make sure you are not left out.

OUR FOOTBALL POOL. Once again, by popular demand, we have made arrangements to carry on our Pools Scheme during the Summer months, based on Greyhound Racing results.

All Agents will by now, have been notified of the new set-up and we invite any supporters who would like to become Agents during the close season, to get in

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please enrol me as a member of Q.P.R. Supporters' Club for the current season

I enclose herewith Postal Order in respect of:—

	£	s.	d.
Membership Subscription (minimum 1/-)	:	:	:
Club Badge (1/-)	:	:	:
Year Bar (1/-)	:	:	:
(Juniors, up to 15 years of age, 1/- includes badge)			

TOTAL

(Please delete words not applicable)

Name

Address

(Please print in BLOCK CAPITALS and state whether Mr., Mrs., Junior, etc.)

Hand this form, with your subscription, to any member of the Committee at the Club room or Huts on the Ground, or post to the Membership Secretary:—

Mr. A. Biggs, 8, Cholmondeley Avenue, Harlesden, N.W.10, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

touch with the Organiser, Mr. Bill Hooper at the Club offices.

Meanwhile, our Football Pool continues to make ground and we hope that within the next few weeks, the first dividend will be topping the £90 mark. In acknowledging the great help that present Agents have given, and are still giving, we urgently require new Agents in order that we may reach a top dividend of £100, which is our objective.

Please help if you possibly can.

FIXTURES AND RESULTS 1960/61

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION III				F.	A.
1960					
Aug. 20	Bournemouth & B.	Away	0	1	
" 25	Notts County	Away	1	2	
" 27	BRADFORD CITY	HOME	1	0	
" 29	NOTTS COUNTY	HOME	2	0	
Sept. 3	Barnsley	Away	3	3	
" 5	Coventry City	Away	4	4	
" 10	NEWPORT C.	HOME	2	0	
" 12	COVENTRY CITY	HOME	2	1	
" 17	Colchester United	Away	1	0	
" 19	BRENTFORD	HOME	0	0	
" 24	GRIMSBY TOWN	HOME	2	0	
" 27	Brentford	Away	0	2	
Oct. 1	Hull City	Away	1	3	
" 3	READING	HOME	5	2	
" 8	TORQUAY U.	HOME	3	3	
" 15	Port Vale	Away	1	0	
" 22	SOUTHEND U.	HOME	2	1	
" 29	Chesterfield	Away	1	0	
Nov. 5	(1) W'STOW AVE.	HOME	3	2	
" 12	Walsall	Away	3	4	
" 19	SHREWSBURY T.	HOME	1	1	
" 26	(2) COVENTRY C.	HOME	1	2	
Dec. 3	TRANMERE R.	HOME	9	2	
" 10	Watford	Away	3	0	
" 17	BOURNEMOUTH	HOME	3	1	
" 26	Bristol City	Away	1	1	
" 27	BRISTOL CITY	HOME	1	1	
" 31	Bradford City	Away	1	1	
1961					
Jan. 7	(3) Halifax Town	Away	1	0	
" 14	BARNSELY	HOME	4	2	
" 23	Newport County	Away	3	1	
" 28	(4) BURY	HOME	3	1	
Feb. 4	COLCHESTER U.	HOME	3	2	
" 11	Grimsby Town	Away	1	3	
" 18	(5) HULL CITY	HOME	2	1	
" 25	Tranmere Rovers	Away	2	1	
Mar. 4	(6) PORT VALE	HOME	1	0	
" 11	Southend United	Away	0	0	
" 18	(S.F.) CHEST'RF'D	HOME	1	2	
" 25	Bury	Away	0	1	
" 31	SWINDON TOWN	HOME			
Apr. 1	WALSALL	HOME			
" 3	Swindon Town	Away			
" 8	Shrewsbury Town	Away			
" 15	HALIFAX TOWN	HOME			
" 22	Torquay United	Away			
" 26	Reading	Away			
" 29	WATFORD	HOME			
May 6	(FINAL)				

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No. 4/32

Saturday, March 25th, 1961

Total Pool £177 11s. 6d.

1st DIVIDEND — 50%. HIGHEST COMBINED HOME SCORE. £88 15s. 0d. 12 goals (8 Combinations). 6 winners receive £14 15s. 10d. each.

01—25—40 Len Crickmore, 1020, Harrow Road, London, N.W.10.

06—25—40 Mr. Lovegrove, 29, Scrubs Lane, College Park, London, N.W.10.

10—25 40 H. E. Bellman, 10 Methuen Close, Edgware, Middlesex.

11—25—40 F. Adam, 239, Plashet Grove, East Ham, London, E.6.

25—26—40 Mr. Crepaz, 86, Collingwood Road, Hillingdon Heath, Hillingdon, Middlesex.

25—39—40 W. H. Brown, Edelweiss, Winchmore Hill, Amersham, Bucks.

2nd DIVIDEND — 20%. 2nd HIGHEST COMBINED HOME SCORE. £35 10s. 6d. 11 goals (35 Combinations). 21 winners receive £1 13s. 10d. each.

01—06—25 01—08—25 01—10—25 01—11—25

01—25—26 01—25—39 01—25—42 06—11—25

08—25—26 10—11—25 10—25—26 10—25—39

10—25—42 11—25—26 11—25—39 11—25—42

18—25—40 25—26—39 25—29—40 25—36—40

25—40—41

3rd DIVIDEND — 15%. HIGHEST COMBINED AWAY SCORE. £26 12s. 7d. 14 goals (1 Combination). 1 winner receives £26 12s. 7d.

13—17—22 G. Lusty, 4, Moxon Street, W.I.

4th DIVIDEND — 15%. LOWEST COMBINED MATCH SCORE. £26 13s. 5d. 0 goals (56 Combinations). 37 winners receive 14/5 each.

02—03—12 02—03—15 02—03—19 02—03—27

02—03—28 02—04—12 02—04—19 02—04—27

02—04—28 02—12—19 02—12—27 02—15—19

02—15—28 02—27—28 03—04—12 03—04—15

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04—27—28 12—15—19 12—15—27 12—15—28

12—19—27 12—19—28 12—27—28 15—19—27

19—27—28

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION III

(Up to and including 25th March, 1961)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Bury	38	25	5	8	94	42	55
Q.P.R.	37	20	9	8	73	47	49
Walsall	38	22	5	11	80	54	49
Grimsby	37	18	8	11	67	54	44
Notts Co.	38	18	8	12	73	65	44
Port Vale	38	15	11	12	85	66	41
Torquay	37	14	13	10	65	59	41
Watford	37	15	11	11	66	62	41
Newport	38	16	8	14	72	74	40
Barnsley	34	17	5	12	64	59	39
Halifax	37	12	15	10	61	64	39
Coventry	36	13	10	13	67	61	36
Shrewsbury ...	36	12	12	12	64	62	36
Bristol C.	38	15	6	17	60	61	36
Hull City	36	14	7	15	59	58	35
Brentford	37	11	12	14	47	58	34
Southend	38	11	11	16	51	64	33
Bournemouth	38	12	8	18	51	67	32
Swindon	36	9	12	15	49	46	30
Bradford C. ...	37	9	11	17	54	72	29
Reading	36	9	11	16	52	72	29
Tranmere	38	11	6	21	69	105	28
Chesterfield ...	37	8	9	20	48	70	25
Colchester	38	8	9	21	54	83	25

FOOTBALL COMBINATION — DIV. II

(Up to and including 25th March, 1961)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Swansea	30	20	5	5	79	46	45
Bristol R.	32	17	7	8	89	68	41
Notts C.	32	18	4	10	68	58	40
Reading	31	15	7	9	71	44	37
Luton T.	30	17	3	10	75	58	37
Southend	32	16	4	12	78	59	36
Aldershot	32	14	7	11	60	58	35
Brentford	33	13	8	12	56	64	34
Plymouth A. .	30	12	7	11	59	55	31
Q.P.R.	30	12	7	11	62	64	31
Northampton	31	11	7	13	48	55	29
Millwall	33	11	7	15	70	78	29
Shrewsbury ..	32	11	7	14	63	80	29
Fulham	31	10	8	13	63	52	28
Crystal P.	31	10	7	14	57	62	27
Mansfield	31	10	7	14	61	72	27
Colchester ...	30	8	10	12	67	75	26
Coventry	31	10	3	18	54	82	23
Peterborough	31	7	6	18	49	74	20
Swindon	29	5	7	17	30	55	17



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