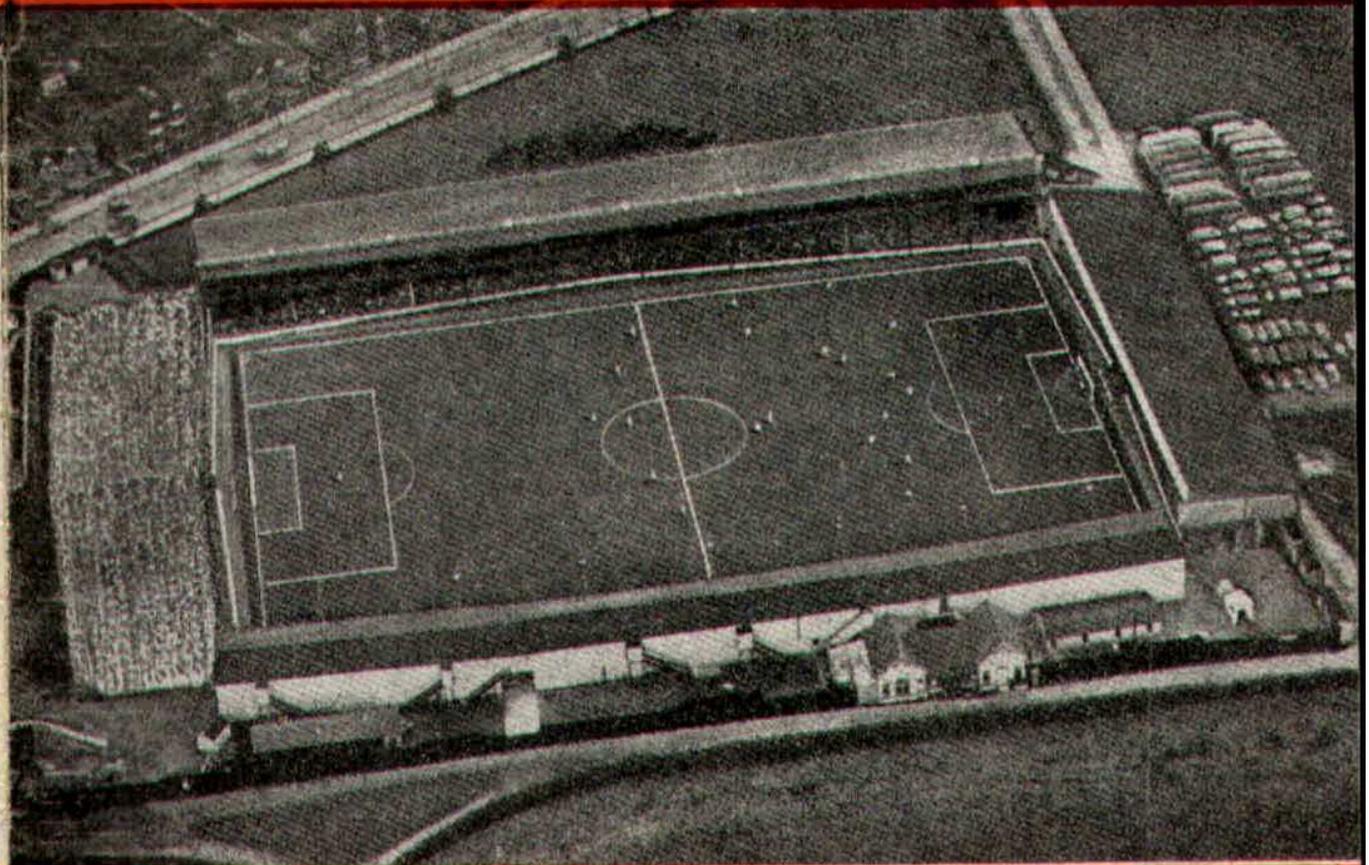




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## Club Notes

Unfortunately our interest in the League Cup ended at Preston. A great pity, as the Birmingham game brought interest and enthusiasm. Preston North End on the County Ground would have been a real attraction. What memories that famous name conjures up in the minds of many supporters

The past week has not been as successful as we hoped. Another home draw, despite a most exciting game with Grimsby Town. Thursday, the game at Preston; unfortunately we were forced to make two late changes as M. Owen and R. Hunt were unfit to play. The side gave an excellent display in the first half, but could not hold out in the second half. On to Saturday, and a vital game at Brentford. The injured players reported fit, and Darcy after several reserve games due to injuries received at Crystal Palace resumed at outside left. Again the result was disappointing, although there seems to be some doubt about the only goal scored.

The vagaries of football are many. Today Bournemouth is the only undefeated team in the Football League and is also top of Div. 3, with a total of 22 points. Supporters will remember the game on 2nd September, when quite frankly Bournemouth was fortunate to draw 1—1 on the County Ground. Grimsby Town, whom we played last week, enjoying by far the larger share of the game, is fifth in the table with 18 points. Swindon Town is 21st in the table with a total of 9 points.

There we are, may the fortunes soon change. Maybe they have at Grimsby, as these notes have to be prepared before that game.

Like the first team our young lads were very busy last week. The results speak for themselves.

Wednesday, 4th October v. Swansea. A. Youth Cup. 2-0.  
Friday, 6th October v. Bristol City. H. Wessex League. 6-4.  
Saturday, 7th October v. Wantage. H. Hellenic League. 4-2.

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On each occasion the team was composed of apprentice professionals and their full-time training greatly influenced the final result. While not wishing to detract from their football ability, their fitness was very much the determining factor. The result at Swansea was very pleasing, and in the Bristol game at half-time Swindon was losing 1—3.

Now to this evening's game,

which promises to be an outstanding one. Our friends from Reading occupy third position in the league. May we say how pleased we are to see them in such an exalted place — well done! We hope we shall soon be up with you challenging for the highest positions. Although we are kindly disposed to you, and congratulate you on your splendid start to the season we trust we shall gain two valuable points tonight.

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## DIVISION III

1961

|         |                 |   |           |
|---------|-----------------|---|-----------|
| Aug. 19 | Portsmouth      | H | 1-3       |
| 21      | Coventry City   | A | 1-2       |
| 26      | Crystal Palace  | A | 1-3       |
| 29      | Coventry City   | H | 3-3       |
| Sept. 2 | Bournemouth     | H | 1-1       |
| 4       | Queen's Park R. | A | 1-6       |
| 9       | Watford         | A | 0-2       |
| 16      | Hull City       | H | 1-1       |
| 19      | Barnsley        | H | 1-1       |
| 23      | Northampton T.  | A | 2-1       |
| 27      | Barnsley        | A | 2-6       |
| 30      | Lincoln City    | H | 4-0       |
| Oct. 3  | Grimsby Town    | H | 0-0       |
| 7       | Brentford       | A | 0-1       |
| 10      | Grimsby Town    | A | 1-0       |
| 13      | Reading         | H | 4-1       |
| 17      | Queen's Park R. | H | 0-0       |
| 21      | Bristol City    | A | 3-5       |
| 28      | Bradford        | H | 3-2       |
| Nov. 4  | (1) KETTERING   | H | 2-2 RO-3  |
| 11      | Shrewsbury Tn.  | H | 1-2       |
| 18      | Peterborough U. | A | 2-3       |
| 25      | (2) EXETER C F  | H | 4-0       |
| Dec. 2  | Newport County  | A | 2-2       |
| 9       | Southend U.     | H | 0-0       |
| 16      | Portsmouth      | A | 2-2       |
| 23      | Crystal Palace  | H | 5-0       |
| 26      | Halifax Town    | A | POSTPONED |
| 30      | Halifax Town    | H | POSTPONED |

1962

|        |                   |   |           |
|--------|-------------------|---|-----------|
| Jan. 6 | (3) Notts County  | A | POSTPONED |
| 13     | Bournemouth       | A | 0-0       |
| 20     | Watford           | H | 3-1       |
| 27     | (4) Port Vale     | H | POSTPONED |
| Feb. 3 | (5) HULL CITY     | A | 1-0       |
| 10     | Northampton T.    | H | 2-2       |
| 17     | (5) Lincoln City  | A | 2-2       |
| 24     | Brentford         | H | 5-2       |
| MAR 2  | BRONSHOS BOLDKUD  | H | 2-0       |
| Mar. 2 | Reading           | A | 1-1       |
| 10     | (6) Bristol City  | H | 0-4       |
| 17     | Bradford          | A | 2-2       |
| 24     | Notts County      | H | 1-0       |
| 31     | (S.F.) Shrewsbury | A | 3-0       |
| Apr. 7 | Peterborough U.   | H | 3-2       |
| 14     | Port Vale         | A | 1-1       |
| 20     | Torquay Utd.      | H | 0-1       |
| 21     | Newport County    | H | 3-0       |
| 23     | Torquay Utd.      | A | 0-0       |
| 28     | Southend Utd.     | A | 2-0       |

|               |           |   |     |
|---------------|-----------|---|-----|
| May 5 (Final) |           |   |     |
| MAR 19        | HALIFAX T | A | 0-2 |
| APR 16        | HALIFAX T | H | 6-0 |

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|--------|---------------|---|-----|
| APR 12 | NOTTS C       | A | 1-0 |
| APR 30 | PORT VALE     | H | 1-0 |
| APR 9  | ALL STARS F   | H | 4-5 |
| MAY 3  | ASTON VILLA F | H | 4-2 |

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION

1961

|         |               |   |           |
|---------|---------------|---|-----------|
| Aug. 22 | Leyton Orient | H | 0-0       |
| Sept. 6 | Southend Utd. | A | 1-3       |
| 13      | Portsmouth    | A | 1-7       |
| 20      | Bournemouth   | A | 0-3       |
| 26      | Birmingham    | H | 1-1       |
| Oct. 4  | Aldershot     | A | 1-2       |
| 10      | Watford       | H | 1-3       |
| Nov. 1  | Millwall      | A | 0-1       |
| 7       | Fulham        | H | 1-4       |
| 14      | Southampton   | H | 2-0       |
| 22      | Coventry City | A | 2-1       |
| 29      | Reading       | A | 1-3       |
| Dec. 5  | Brighton      | H | 4-2       |
| 12      | Brentford     | A | 3-1       |
| 19      | Charlton      | H | POSTPONED |

1962

|        |                       |   |           |
|--------|-----------------------|---|-----------|
| Jan. 3 | Chelsea               | A | POSTPONED |
| 9      | Chelsea               | H | 0-0       |
| 17     | Leyton Orient         | A | 1-2       |
| 23     | Portsmouth            | H | 2-0       |
| 31     | Birmingham City       | A | 1-0       |
| Feb. 6 | Bournemouth           | H | 3-2       |
| 13     | Watford               | A | 1-3       |
| 20     | Aldershot             | H | 5-0       |
| 26     | Queen's Park R.       | A | POSTPONED |
| Mar. 6 | Millwall              | H | 3-1       |
| 14     | Fulham                | A | 1-1       |
| 20     | Southend Utd.         | H | 3-1       |
| APR 28 | SOUTHAMPTON           | A | 0-0       |
| APR 3  | CHelsea               | A | 1-0       |
| 10     | Reading               | H | 2-0       |
| 17     | Brighton              | A | 0-3       |
| 23     | Brentford             | H | 3-1       |
| May 2  | Charlton              | A | 3-3       |
|        | To be arranged Q.P.R. | H | 3-2       |
| APR 28 | CHARLTON              | H | 3-4       |
| APR 25 | QPR                   | A | 1-1       |

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FLC. BIRMINGHAM CITY A 1-1

RBIRMINGHAM CITY H 2-0

(2) PRESTON N.E. A 1-3

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# Our Visitors

It is with real pleasure we welcome our good friends from Reading for our first ever Friday evening Football League game. They are to be congratulated on their very successful start to the 1961-62 Season, and we hope this will continue after this evening's match.

For the record our meeting at the County Ground last season ended in a 1-1 draw. Our goal was scored by E. Hunt.

Details of the players from whom today's team will be selected are as follows:-

## **Dennis Allen (Centre Forward)**

Born: Dagenham. Joined the club on June 9th, 1961, when he was transferred from Charlton Athletic F.C., his only other professional club.

## **George Buck (Outside Left)**

Born: Abingdon. Assisted the club as an amateur player from September 6th, 1956 until he signed as a professional player on February 3rd, 1958. Made his first team debut on December 20th, 1958, versus Queen's Park Rangers.

## **Maurice Evans (Left Half)**

Born: Didcot. Now in his tenth season with our club, Maurice joined the club's ground staff in September, 1952, and signed as a professional player in September the following year. During his period of National Service, played in many representative matches for the Royal Air Force.

## **David Grant (Wing Half)**

Born: Portsmouth. Joined the club as an amateur player in August, 1957, and signed as a professional player on August 10th, 1959.

## **Michael Travers (Wing Half)**

Born: Blackwater. Joined the club's ground staff as an amateur player on January 7th, 1958. Signed as a professional player on October 26th, 1959.

## **Bernard Goodall (Full Back)**

Born: London. An amateur player with the club from September, 1953 to November, 1954. Signed as a professional player on July 4th, 1959, upon his release from H.M. Forces.

## **David High (Wing Half)**

Born: Reading. An amateur player who joined the club's ground staff upon leaving school in April, 1956. Signed as a professional player on February 24th, 1958. An England F.A. Youth International Player who played for his country versus Wales.

## **Gordon Neate (Full Back)**

Born: Reading. Joined the club's ground staff upon leaving school in April, 1956, and has graduated through the club's Minor and Youth teams. Made his first team debut on April 20th, 1959 versus Colchester United F.C.

## **Ralph Norton (Outside Right)**

Born: Aylesham, Kent. Joined the club's ground staff on August 23rd, 1958, and has also graduated through our Minor and Youth Teams. Signed as a professional player on October 12th, 1959.

## **Arthur Wilkie (Goalkeeper)**

Born: Woolwich, S.E. Joined the club's ground staff on November 11th, 1958, as an amateur player and signed as a professional on October 8th, 1959. Reserve for England F.A. Youth XI that toured Germany in January, 1959.

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#### John Walker (Half Back)

Born: Glasgow. An experienced player who was transferred from Southampton F.C. on December 12th, 1957. He assisted Southampton for five seasons and was previously with Wolverhampton Wanderers for a similar period.

#### Douglas Webb (Forward)

Born: Stokenchurch. Recommended to the club as an amateur player and signed as a professional player on November 26th, 1956. During his period of National Service with the Royal Air Force, played in many representative games.

#### Jimmy Wheeler (Inside Forward)

Born: Reading. Another of our local born players, Jimmy joined the club as an amateur player in May, 1952. He signed as a professional player in August of the same year. The club's leading goalscorer for the past two seasons.

#### Richard Spiers (Half Back)

Born: Benson, Oxon. Recommended to the club as an amateur player in season 1954-55. Signed as a professional on October 3rd, 1955. During his period of National Service, assisted the Army F.A. XI, at home and abroad on numerous occasions.

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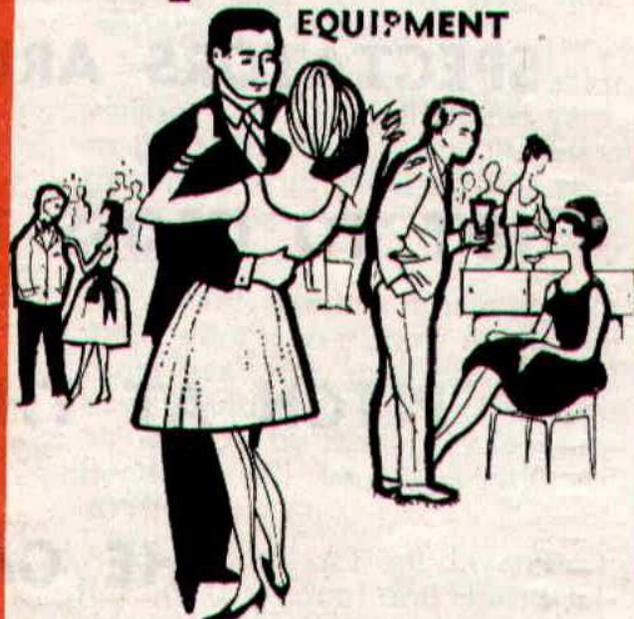
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Many supporters will have seen a recent press notice to the effect that the first donation of the season (£1,200) has just been made to Swindon Town F.C. from competition profits to date.

This was made without any strings attached, so far as concerns £1,000, but the balance of £200 is earmarked for the Floodlight Installation Fund.

Approximately £8,000 has still to be raised for this fund and we shall appreciate the continued patronage of all our members, in our efforts to raise it.

Since we last appealed for additional members for our competition approximately 100 supporters have joined the ranks. We still have plenty of room for more.

A number of supporters in the Pewsey area have told us that they have difficulty in obtaining the competition tickets there.

The ideal solution, of course, would be for some of them to volunteer to act as agents, and our competition secretary, Mr. F. N. Deane, of 93 Clifton Street, will be pleased to give full particulars to any who feel able to help.

He is usually to be found, with his assistant, Mr. T. W. Stenning, in our office (at the Town End of the Ground), before any match.

We should also welcome additional coverage in some of the newer local factories, and more agents there would be very useful.

For a number of seasons the playing records of Reading and Swindon have been very similar and both clubs have shown average returns.

This season Reading have forged ahead, and no doubt will be keen to maintain their record tonight.

We have made many friends amongst Reading supporters, many of whom visit us, season by season, and call to pay their respects at our office.

Unfortunately, two very regular visitors will be missing this year, as their work has prevented them travelling with Reading this season, when playing evening matches.

They informed us in a letter that they were sorry they could not come this year, and thought that they would not be expected to do so next, as, by then, they feel that Reading will be in a different division!

We notice that Hunt (Liverpool), R. Hunt (Swindon) and Hunt (Colchester) are among the leading goalscorers in their respective divisions. There must be something in the name. We hope that one of them will go further ahead in the hunt tonight.

We are pleased to know that the Directors' Jackpot Competition is making itself very popular. So far we have only been able to use our tickets as souvenirs, but we live in hopes. We commend this competition to all supporters, if only to create a little fun at half-time.

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| Peterborough Utd.    | 15        | 10       | 1        | 4        | 39        | 32        | 21        |
| Reading              | 15        | 9        | 1        | 5        | 32        | 26        | 19        |
| Grimsby Town         | 15        | 8        | 2        | 5        | 24        | 17        | 18        |
| Port Vale            | 15        | 7        | 4        | 4        | 22        | 18        | 18        |
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| Notts County         | 14        | 5        | 3        | 6        | 28        | 24        | 13        |
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| Bradford             | 13        | 6        | 0        | 7        | 26        | 16        | 12        |
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| Torquay Utd.         | 14        | 3        | 1        | 10       | 24        | 34        | 7         |
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