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BRISTOL ROVERS

v.

SWINDON TOWN

Tuesday, October 9th 1962.

Kick-off 7.15 p.m.

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Welcome — Swindon

We welcome Swindon Town this evening in the return of last Tuesday's game, and hope to, at least, reverse that result.

The Wiltshire club has three "popular" names—"The Railwaymen", "The Robins" and "the Moonrakers". Certainly theirs is a popular visit, and revives memories of many thrilling games in bygone years.

On their own ground this season, Swindon have won five of six matches, their only defeat being a narrow 3—2 one when Northampton Town were their visitors at the end of August. They have also shewn plenty of fighting spirit away from home in gaining draws at Barnsley, Q.P.R., Brighton, Crystal Palace and Carlisle.

Swindon's team is among the youngest in the country in average age, despite the presence at centre-half of Maurice Owen, who is now in his seventeenth season with them, a wonderful record of consistency and loyalty. Several of their players are either in their teens or very early twenties, and with an occasional leavening of riper experience. Manager Bert Head has got together an extremely useful and workmanlike side.

With veteran Sam Burton not retained at the end of last season, after sixteen years with the club, the choice for goal rests between Mike O'Hara, who made his League debut at the age of 16 when with Luton Town, and Mike Turner, who has been the more regular selection.

The club's two splendid young full-backs, Terry Wollen and Norman Trollope, after gaining experience last season and making encouraging progress, are again in good form, as also have been wing-halves Keith Morgan and Bob Woodruff. Maurice Owen may be remembered as the Swindon centre forward of a few years ago. He has led their list of marksmen in six post-war seasons, but he was moved to the pivotal position four seasons ago, and has since been playing there with the same steady manner that he did when in the front line. Swindon will not seem the same without this great-hearted player when he finally hangs up his boots.

Lack of scoring power cost Swindon many points last season, but so far as one can judge this seems to have been remedied to some extent. Certainly the goals are coming more frequently than a year ago, and the scoring is fairly evenly balanced among all the forwards.

As these notes had to be in the printer's hands prior to Saturday's game between Swindon and Watford any goals scored then are not included in the totals below, but prior to that inside-right Ernie Hunt was their leading marksman with eight goals (two penalties), followed by centre forward John Smith and outside-left Cliff Jackson, who had each got five. Then came outside-right Arnold Darcy with three and inside-left Roger Smart with two, and a couple from defenders in Norman Trollope and Bob Woodruff, one each. In addition, Smith got three in the League-Cup game against Darlington and Jackson one.

Smith may be recalled as the former Watford player who joined Swindon just over a year ago, scoring 13 goals last season. Nineteen-year-old Hunt is a local boy who is making good with his home-town club, and has been their leading marksman in the last two seasons, scoring 18 goals last winter, and 14 the season before that.

Though it is early yet to form any settled opinion, it seems likely that the Wiltshire club may do better this season than last, when they drew no fewer than fifteen of their games, eight of them on their own ground. Their younger players are now showing the benefit of the experience gained in the last year or so, and if they can maintain their form as time goes on Swindon could be a match for the best of clubs.

Welcome Back — Alf Biggs



The welcome Alf received from our supporters last Saturday left no doubt in anyone's mind about the popularity of his return from Preston North End. Alf joined the Rovers at the age of 15, in Season 1951/52 and signed professional forms on his seventeenth birthday. In all he made 236 League and Cup appearances and scored 80 goals in the old Rovers' colours—we all hope he will surpass those figures in the new ones.

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

The return of Alfie Biggs has been hailed with great delight by all our supporters. I cannot think of any other signing which would have evoked such universal approval. Alfie has always been a popular figure at Eastville. We hope that he has brought his shooting boots with him! Good luck Alf—may you have a happy and successful season.

However the fee which brought Alfie Biggs back was a considerable one, in fact, it was the highest ever paid by either Bristol club for a player. Our Lottery Agents will derive a lot of satisfaction from the signing because without their help it would not have been possible. In the past twenty-seven weeks the parent club has benefited by over £9,000, in addition to the £4,000 cheque we donated after our Annual General Meeting. This means that the overdraft is now larger than ever and we shall have to re-double our efforts to put this right. The fans have been clamouring for new forward strength and their wish has now been realised.

A practical way to say "Thank you" would be to enrol immediately in our Weekly Football Lottery to enable us to redress the financial position. You can help by becoming an Agent, an Annual Member (£2 12s. per year) or by paying just one shilling per week to an Agent. Will YOU help? If you are willing please complete the attached form and we will do the rest.

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Mr. J. A. Hicks, 31 Queen Street, Eastville, Bristol 5.

2nd Prize £8 19s. 8d. Ticket No. 24787

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On Saturday October 20th we shall be playing Millwall and the Hospital Broadcasts Society will be making their Annual Collection at this Stadium. There is no need to remind you what a wonderful job this Society is doing for the benefit of hospital patients. We have a record to maintain as we usually collect more at this ground than our friends at Ashton Gate. I hope that we can uphold this record on October 20th. We require the services of volunteers to make the collection and anyone interested is asked to contact Mr. Eric Godfrey, 57 Mangotsfield Road, Staple Hill, Bristol or any Committee Member. Collectors will be guaranteed a good view of the game.

"THE PIRATE".

SWINDON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

PEN PICTURES OF PLAYERS

JOHN TROLLOPE—*Left-back*. A local boy who joined the Swindon ground staff from school. Was selected for the First Team at the beginning of the Season 1961/61, when he was 16 years old and was ever present during that season and last season.

TERRY WOLLEN—*Right-back*. Another local boy who made his debut for the First Team when 16 years old. He played the majority of first team games during Season 1960/61 and last season.

KEITH MORGAN—*Right-half*. A strong, attacking wing-half, who joined Swindon as a youth player from Westbury. Played in every first team game during 1960/61 and missed only three games last year through injury.

MAURICE OWEN—*Centre-half*. The team captain and oldest member of the team. Formerly a centre-forward, he has had a long and outstanding period of service with the Club. Has played in several representative games.

ERNIE HUNT—*Inside-right*. Joined the Club's ground staff from school. A member of the First Team at 16 years old, he is a player of outstanding ability for whom the Club has had many offers. A local boy, he was top goal scorer 1960/61 and again last year.

MIKE SUMMERBEE—*Outside-right*. Born in Cheltenham, he is another product of the Swindon Youth policy. Formerly played at Centre-forward, but has now made the Outside Right berth his own. Another of the players wanted by several Clubs.

CLIFF JACKSON—*Inside-forward*. Swindon born, he joined the club direct from school. He was a schoolboy international and he made his debut in Swindon's First team at the age of 17. Has a very powerful shot.

BOB WOODRUFF—*Wing-half*. Another local born player who came to the town direct from the Swindon Schoolboys' team. Has played at centre-forward and inside-forward in the senior side and his performances have made him a target for several transfer offers.

ARNOLD DARCY—*Outside-left*. Joined the Club in November, 1956, from Wigan Athletic. In spite of his lack of inches he is a strong forceful winger with a powerful shot.

JACK SMITH—*Centre-forward*. Joined the Robins from Watford during 1960/61 close season. He was formerly with Hartlepool United. A strong, forceful player with the ability to get the unexpected goal.

MIKE O'HARA—*Goal-keeper*. Joined Swindon from Luton Town last season and was a regular first-team keeper until he was injured at the end of the season. Just 18 he is also available for the Youth team.

WILFRED SHERGOLD—*Outside-right or Centre-forward*. Another product of the Swindon Youth policy. He is fast and can play in almost any position in the forward line.

MIKE TURNER—*Goal-keeper*. Just demobbed from the R.A.F. he joined the Club whilst still in the services from Dorchester Town. Took over in goal following the injury to O'Hara last season and is expected to make strong bids for the first-team position this season.

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Date	Opponents	F. A. G.
1962		
AUG. 18	HULL CITY ..	0-3 A
" 21	NORTHAMPTON T. ..	2-2 H
" 25	CRYSTAL PALACE ..	2-0 H
" 28	NORTHAMPTON T. ..	0-2 A
SEPT. 1	WREXHAM ..	2-5 A
" 4	PETERBOROUGH UTD. ..	3-1 H
" 8	HALIFAX TOWN ..	5-2 H
" 10	PETERBOROUGH UTD ..	0-1 A
" 15	BRISTOL CITY ..	1-2 H
" 18	BARNLEY ..	3-2 H
" 22	BRIGHTON & HOVE A. ..	1-1 A
" 25	BARNLEY ..	— A
" 27	PORT VALE (League Cup) ..	2-0 H
" 29	CARLISLE UNITED ..	1-1 H
OCT. 2	SWINDON TOWN ..	0-3 A
" 6	PORT VALE ..	1-1 H
" 9	SWINDON TOWN ..	.. H
" 13	SHREWSBURY TOWN ..	.. A
" 20	MILLWALL ..	.. H
" 27	SOUTHEND UNITED ..	.. A
NOV. 3	F.A. Cup (Round 1) ..	..
" 10	NOTTS COUNTY ..	.. A
" 17	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A. ..	.. H
" 24	F.A. Cup (Round 2) ..	..
DEC. 1	BRADFORD ..	.. H
" 8	WATFORD ..	.. A
" 15	HULL CITY ..	.. H
" 22	CRYSTAL PALACE ..	.. A
" 26	READING ..	.. A
" 29	READING ..	.. H
1963		
AN. 5	(3) COVENTRY CITY ..	.. A
" 12	WREXHAM ..	.. H
" 19	HALIFAX TOWN ..	.. A
" 26	(4) COLCHESTER UTD. ..	.. H
FEB. 2	BRISTOL CITY ..	.. A
" 9	BRIGHTON & HOVE A. ..	.. H
" 16	(5) CARLISLE UNITED ..	.. A
" 23	PORT VALE ..	.. A
MAR. 2	SHREWSBURY TOWN ..	.. H
" 9	(6) MILLWALL ..	.. A
" 16	SOUTHEND UNITED ..	.. H
" 22	COLCHESTER UNITED ..	.. A
" 30	(S.F.) NOTTS COUNTY ..	.. H
APRIL 6	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A. ..	.. A
" 12	QUEEN'S PARK RANG. ..	.. A
" 13	COVENTRY CITY ..	.. H
" 15	QUEEN'S PARK RANG. ..	.. H
" 20	BRADFORD ..	.. A
" 27	WATFORD ..	.. H
MAY 4	(F.A. Cup Final) ..	..

NOTE—Figures in brackets refer to Rounds in the F.A. Cup.

Date	Opponents	F. A. G.
1962		
AUG. 18	NORTHAMPTON TOWN ..	3-1 H
" 25	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR ..	0-5 A
SEPT. 1	CRYSTAL PALACE ..	0-3 H
" 8	WEST HAM UNITED ..	0-6 A
" 22	PETERBOROUGH UTD. ..	6-3 H
" 29	LUTON TOWN ..	2-1 A
OCT. 6	MANSFIELD TOWN ..	0-2 A
" 13	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE ..	.. H
" 20	LEICESTER CITY ..	.. A
" 27	NOTTS COUNTY ..	.. H
NOV. 3	NORWICH CITY ..	.. A
" 10	COLCHESTER UNITED ..	.. H
" 17	ARSENAL ..	.. A
" 24	SHREWSBURY TOWN ..	.. H
DEC. 1	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE ..	.. A
" 8	MANSFIELD TOWN ..	.. H
" 15	NORTHAMPTON TOWN ..	.. A
" 22	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR ..	.. H
1963		
JAN. 5	CARDIFF CITY ..	.. H
" 12	CRYSTAL PALACE ..	.. A
" 19	WEST HAM UNITED ..	.. H
" 26	IPSWICH TOWN ..	.. A
FEB. 2	CARDIFF CITY ..	.. A
" 9	PETERBOROUGH UTD. ..	.. A
" 16	LUTON TOWN ..	.. H
" 23	LEICESTER CITY ..	.. H
MAR. 2	NOTTS COUNTY ..	.. A
" 9	NORWICH CITY ..	.. H
" 16	COLCHESTER UNITED ..	.. A
" 23	ARSENAL ..	.. H
" 30	SHREWSBURY TOWN ..	.. A
APRIL 6	IPSWICH TOWN ..	.. H
" 12	NOTTINGHAM FOREST ..	.. H
" 16	NOTTINGHAM FOREST ..	.. A
MAY 4	— ..	..

(Up to and including 6/10/1962)

Williams	7	Jarman	3
Oldfield	4	Hamilton	3
Jones, R.	4	Biggs	1
		Own Goal	1

Baker	4	Hillard	2
Oldfield	4	Jones, K.	1

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(Up to and including 6/10/1962)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Ps
Watford	15	9	1	5	37	26	19
Northampton..	13	7	4	2	36	17	18
Swindon T. ...	14	6	5	3	29	16	17
Bristol City...	14	6	5	3	31	21	17
Peterborough ..	14	6	5	3	31	23	17
Notts County..	14	7	3	4	19	21	17
Q.P.R.....	13	7	2	4	30	14	16
Port Vale	15	6	4	5	20	18	16
Colchester Utd.	15	5	6	4	25	28	16
Millwall	15	4	7	4	34	29	15
Shrewsbury Tn.	15	5	5	5	34	30	15
Bournemouth..	15	4	7	4	18	18	15
Wrexham	13	7	1	5	27	27	15
Coventry City .	15	5	5	5	23	25	15
Hull City	13	6	2	5	22	21	14
Southend Utd.	15	7	0	8	27	34	14
Reading	15	6	1	8	28	29	13
Bristol Rovers..	14	4	4	6	21	26	12
Barnsley	14	5	2	7	17	22	12
Halifax Town..	15	4	3	8	20	27	11
Bradford	14	3	5	6	20	29	11
Crystal Palace .	14	1	7	6	13	23	9
Carlisle Utd. ..	12	2	4	6	15	27	8
Brighton	14	2	4	8	15	29	8

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