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CLUB NOTES

The appointment of our Chairman Mr. F. A. Would to a seat on the League Management Committee was not only a great honour for him but an equally great compliment to our Club. To obtain such a position at the first attempt means that the reputation of our Club stands high in the opinion of the other Clubs.

The close season has seen the signing of two new forwards in Matt Tees from Airdrie, and Malcolm Bogie from Hibernians. Both of these young players have settled down nicely and made a good impression.

Practice matches took on a new experience against Leicester City before a large gate, Lincoln City and Reserve games at Gainsborough and Grantham. In some of these games the opportunity was taken of 'bleeding' some of the youngsters.

Score of Juniors have been vetted by the Manager and his trainers at Peaks Lane and several have been signed on Amateur forms for further trials. Some familiar figures will be missing and all will wish them well with their new Clubs.

The long journey to Swansea was rewarded with a well earned point. Matt Tees followed up a successful debut against Leicester with another goal which earned a valuable point. The whole team gave a great all round show, with everyone giving of his best. The visit of newly promoted Swindon should draw a large crowd because the visitors are a young promising side, who will be greatly cheered by their clear cut victory over our neighbours Scunthorpe.

The Reserves brought off a very convincing victory over Port Vale, after being two goals down in the early stages. Duncan Welbourne playing his usual attacking game scoring two good goals, the others coming from Mal Bogie and Dick Young.

R. Wilson a young goal-keeper from the north fulfilled the promise he showed in the practice game.

With a small staff there is going to be ample chance for any youngster of promise to really prove himself.

The Northern Intermediate team met very strong opposition from a well built, well drilled eleven from Sheffield Wednesday, some of whom had played in the Central League matches. For a time our boys held their strong opponents but were gradually worn down. More combined work and less individualism will be advisable.

R. W.

SOCCER TOPICS

By HARRY DITTON, *News of the World*.

The curtain has gone up and another football season is with us. What a lovely feeling! No other sport has such an intense and widespread public appeal as a million fans from Plymouth to Carlisle and from Swansea to Norwich testify.

Frankly I find it difficult to dampen down the fires of optimism as I contemplate the future. Looking back over the years I cannot recall a season which offered such exciting prospects as this one does.

To-day our Soccer horizons are forever widening. The be-all and end-all of our own domestic competitions now goes far beyond the winning of the Football League championship and the F.A. Cup. Honours in these spheres provide the passport to even richer rewards and higher prestige in the European field.

Tottenham Hotspurs as holders of the European Cup winners trophy, Everton as the Football League champions and Manchester United as the F.A. Cupholders are already lined up to invade and, we hope, to successfully exploit this market. It's a thrilling prospect for the supporters of these clubs and one certain to fire the imagination of Soccer patrons everywhere.

For let's make no mistake about it Soccer involving our leading clubs in competition with the elite of Europe has come to stay and no club in the First or Second Division can afford to ignore the challenge.

The days of hoping for the best in football are over. Ambition must be sky high and enterprise must match it. Spurs, Everton and Manchester United have made this abundantly clear and the breakthrough they have achieved must be a stimulus to every would-be progressive club in the industrial areas of the North East, Lancashire, Yorkshire, the Midlands, London and South Wales.

Believe me I'm not day dreaming. Writing in the F.A. centenary Year Book Denis Follows, secretary of the Football Association visualises the day when there will be a European Super League with possible Government legislation introduced to make legal the playing of matches on Sundays.

That may not happen in the next five years or the next ten years but coming as it does from such a responsible authority as Mr. Follows it is not only the clearest possible pointer to the ever broadening outlook of Soccer's hierarchy; it points unmistakably to the ever growing sense of importance with which every club must regard itself in the Soccer set up of to-morrow.

It's a trite and true saying "If you don't progress you stagnate". With clubs like Spurs, Everton and Manchester United showing the way and many others that can be named eager to follow them there is no fear of stagnation. One or two hazardous cross-roads have still to be negotiated but a new spirit has been born and I am confident we are on the threshold of the most exciting era in the game's history.

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SUPPORTERS CLUB

First, I must extend to the Grimsby Town Football Club, Directors, Administrative staff and players my sincere wishes for a successful season. To all members of the Supporters Club and Mariners Pool my best thanks for their continued support and the wish that they may enjoy their football at Blundell Park this year.

To the newcomers on the staff, I wish a warm welcome and to those who have left us, a good year with their new clubs.

The Mariners made a very good start to their season with a valuable point from Swansea, and if the Leicester match and the Swansea game is any sort of lead, it looks as if Matt Tees is going to make his presence felt.

To-night's encounter with newly promoted Swindon may prove a difficult nut to crack, for this young team have gained a reputation for their fast and effective football. Their 3-0 win at home on Saturday, obviously shows their determination and there is no doubt they will be 'all out' to show their paces in their first away Second Division game.

Turning to Supporters Club affairs, the Supporters Club are to re-roof the Barrett Stand, a job that badly needs doing and which will be welcomed by Town Supporters who use that part of the Ground.

Next, the 11th Annual General Meeting of the Supporters Club will be held at the Club Headquarters on Monday September 9th at 7.30 p.m. admission by current membership card only, and facilities for renewal or joining the Supporters Club will be available at the Headquarters, prior to the Meeting.

Then on Saturday, September 14th Newcastle United F.C. Supporters Club are making an 'outing' of the trip to Grimsby, and have asked if our Supporters Club can raise a football team to play them at midday Saturday.

The Social Committee will be dealing with this matter on Monday night and it is hoped to secure the advice and assistance of Billy Cairns in organising the game, a task I think, that will be right up Billy's 'street' for as everyone knows, Billy's name is still a bye-word on Tyne-side.

Next, the Louth & District Branch of the Supporters Club will be holding their A.G.M. at the British Legion Hall, Northgate, Louth on Monday, Sept. 16th at 8.00 p.m. and it is hoped that all Town Supporters in the Louth Area will make a special note of the date and be in attendance.

The Brigg Branch are proposing to hold their A.G.M. at the Angel Hotel, on Monday, October 28th, while Mablethorpe are arranging for a date in November. Further details of these two events will be publicised as soon as definite arrangements are made.

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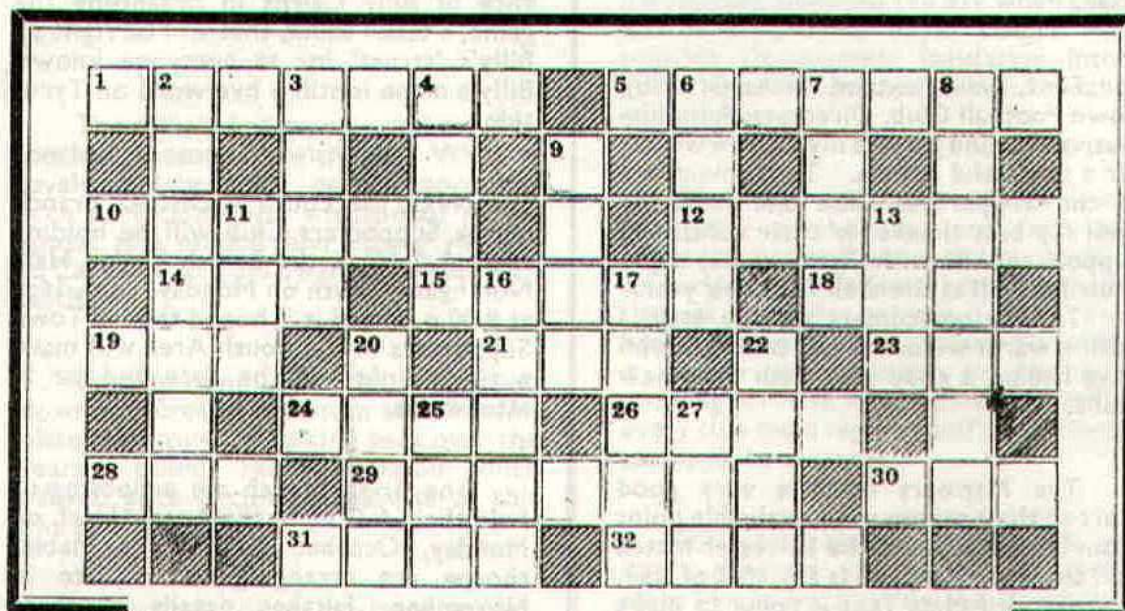
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SOLUTION on page 10.

CLUES ACROSS

- 1—Neither better nor worse. (7).
- 5—To-day's opponents. (7).
- 10—Goals sum up. (6).
- 12—Players should not lose it. (6).
- 14—Half theirs! (3).
- 15—Foul tackles. (5).
- 18—Prohibit. (3).
- 19—Must be Finney! (3).
- 21—Almost dare! (3).
- 23—Make free. (3).
- 24—Open high land but not up! (4).
- 26—Follow like a detective. (4).
- 28—Goes with good when leaving. (3).
- 29—Is sorry for. (7).
- 30—Self. (3).
- 31—Manufactured. (4).
- 32—Remainder. (4).

CLUES DOWN

- 2—Success. (7).
- 3—Not frequent. (4).
- 4—Burst of wind. (4).
- 6—Better keep them about you. (4).
- 7—Too cold to feel. (4).
- 8—Chance to score. (7).
- 9—Easily kept on when young! (4).
- 11—On Her Majesty's resistance! (3).
- 13—Golf strokes for the scratch player. (3).
- 16—Distance for shooting. (5).
- 17—Doherty perhaps. (5).
- 20—She's mixed up in the road. (4).
- 22—Fail to score. (4).
- 25—Marry. (3).
- 27—Fed in Gateshead! (3).

SECOND DIVISION LEAGUE

Final League Placings 1962—3

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts
Stoke City ...	42	20	13	9	73	50	53
Chelsea ...	42	24	4	14	81	42	52
Sunderland ...	42	20	12	10	84	55	52
Middlesbro' ...	42	20	9	13	86	85	49
Leeds ...	42	19	10	13	79	53	48
Huddersfield ...	42	17	14	11	63	50	48
Newcastle ...	42	18	11	13	79	59	47
Bury ...	42	18	11	13	51	47	47
Scunthorpe ...	42	16	12	14	57	59	44
Cardiff ...	42	18	7	17	83	73	43
Plymouth ...	42	15	12	15	76	73	42
Norwich C. ...	42	17	8	17	80	79	42
Southampton ...	42	17	8	17	72	67	42
Rotherham ...	42	17	6	19	67	74	40
Swansea ...	42	15	9	18	51	72	39
Preston ...	42	13	11	18	59	74	37
Portsmouth ...	42	13	11	18	63	79	37
Derby Co. ...	42	12	12	18	61	72	36
Grimsby T. ...	42	11	13	18	55	66	35
Charlton ...	42	13	5	24	62	94	31
Walsall ...	42	11	9	22	53	89	31
Luton ...	42	11	7	24	61	84	29

GRIMSBY TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

PEN PICTURES : 1963/4

- DONOVAN, DON.** (*Right Back*). The veteran of the team but still quick enough to give most wingers a run for their money. Signed from Everton for a substantial fee. Won caps for Eire.
- KEEBLE, BRIAN.** (*Left Back*). A young player who after 'demob' from the Services made a rapid progress from the club's junior teams and when pressed into the senior side at centre half in an emergency, showed enough to earn very quickly a regular place in defence.
- COCKERILL, RON.** (*Right Half*). Tall, long-striding Yorkshireman. Signed from Huddersfield four seasons ago. Was one of several players signed when Grimsby last won promotion. Though signed as a centre half, prefers wing half. A constructive player he packs a powerful wallop in his right foot.
- JOBLING, KEITH.** (*Centre Half*). A lean built but sturdy pivot who graduated through the Club's nursery sides. A local boy and one Club man. Popular choice captain.
- KNIGHTS, TONY.** (*Left Half*). Another product of local football. Tony has played in most positions but is recognised as a half back.
- PORTWOOD, CLIFF.** (*Centre Forward*). A nippy ball player whose roll is that of schemer though he can score goals. Got 24 for Port Vale three seasons ago and 14 for Town 1961/2 Season and 10 1962/3. Has played on the wing and inside forward.
- WRIGHT, CHARLIE.** (*Goalkeeper*). Signed from Workington last February. Formerly with Glasgow Rangers. Played major role in helping Grimsby to escape relegation with some fearless, brilliant 'keeping'.
- THOMPSON, JIMMY.** (*Right Back*). Product of St. Mary's Boys' Club, Gateshead. Aged 20 made rapid progress through Juniors and kept place in League after making debut last March. Fast hard-tackling player.
- CLIFTON, BRIAN.** (*Wing Half*). Joined Grimsby Town from Southampton last October had bad luck to suffer cartilage injury in club debut. Returned to make left half spot his own with sound all-round displays.
- WELBOURNE, DUNCAN.** (*Wing half*). Product of Scunthorpe junior football. Joined Grimsby six years ago, and made League debut in September, 1957. Tireless, courageous performer.
- PENNINGTON, JIM.** (*Outside Right*). Formerly with Manchester City Grimsby signed him from Crewe in April after he had lost place in their League side. Held place with his speedy, never-say-die style.
- FOSTER, RONNIE.** (*Inside Forward*). Grimsby's most expensive purchase when signed from Leyton Orient last December. Made debut 4½ hours after completing transfer. Experienced ball-playing man who acts as link man in attack.
- MCLEAN, GEORGE.** (*Centre Forward*). Signed from Norwich City in September, 1962 for small fee. Formerly with Rangers he settled down after a shaky start to emerge as one of Divisions most dangerous leaders. Big and strong he has fierce shot in either foot.
- YOUNG, DICK.** (*Centre Forward*). Joined Grimsby after month's trial. Formerly played for South Shields and Newcastle United. League debut at Walsall in September, 1962 and two weeks later got hat-trick against Derby County.
- HILL, BRIAN.** (*Outside Left*). Signed in July, 1960 from Ollerton Colliery. Formerly played for Mansfield Boys. League debut against Torquay in April, 1961. Last season introduced into first team and rapidly made name as promising raiding winger.
- TEES, MATT.** (*Centre or inside forward*). Close season signing from Airdrie for whom he played 43 games in two seasons. Replacement for former goal-getter Ron Rafferty and like him is good with his head.
- BOGIE, MALCOLM.** (*Utility forward*). Club's other close-season signing from Hibernian, for whom he made occasional Scottish Division I appearances.

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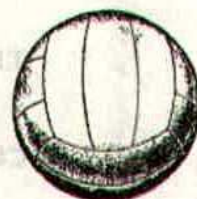
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- 3—Who left Fulham last season after making 475 appearances?
- 4—Which club has been 22nd in the 2nd Division, 22nd in the 3rd and 22nd in the 4th in the last 3 seasons?
- 5—Where did Lester Piggott ride 5 winners and a second some weeks ago?
- 6—Which London 1st. Division teams scored 72 and 22 home goals last season?
- 7—Who beat whom at Ibadan?
- 8—In which league did Morecambe score 153 goals last season?
- 9—Which relegated club failed last season to score in 16 League matches?
- 10—How did Peter Piper and Pickapepper fare at Haydock recently?
- 11—Which Lancs. 1st. Division club in the last two seasons finished 10th. and won 5, drew 7 and lost 9 away?
- 12—In which notable relay race did Jones, Jones, Jones and Jones run this month at White City?

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GRIMSBY TOWN (SECOND DIVISION)

1963		OPPONENTS	F.	A.
Aug.	24	Swansea Town ...	1	1
	28	Swindon Town ...		
	31	Southampton ...		
Sept.	3	Swindon Town ...		
	7	Middlesbrough ...		
	10	Charlton Athletic ...		
	14	Newcastle United ...		
	17	Charlton Athletic ...		
	21	Huddersfield Town ...		
	28	Derby County ...		
Oct.	2	Cardiff City ...		
	5	Plymouth Argyle... ..		
	12	Manchester City ...		
	19	Bury		
	26	Norwich City ...		
Nov.	2	Sunderland		
	9	Leeds United ...		
	16	(1) Rotherham United ...		
	23	Portsmouth ...		
	30	Scunthorpe United ...		
Dec.	7	(2) Northampton T. ...		
	13	Swansea Town ...		
	21	Southampton		
	26	Leyton Orient ...		
	28	Leyton Orient		
1964				
Jan.	4	(3)		
	11	Middlesbrough ...		
	18	Newcastle United ...		
	25	(4)		
Feb.	1	Huddersfield Town ...		
	8	Derby County		
	15	(5) Plymouth Argyle ...		
	22	Manchester City		
	29	(6) Rotherham Utd. ...		
Mar.	7	Norwich City		
	14	(S.F.) Cardiff City ...		
	21	Leeds United		
	27	Preston N. End ...		
	28	Bury		
	30	Preston North End ...		
April	4	Portsmouth		
	11	Scunthorpe United ...		
	18	Northampton Town ...		
	25	Sunderland		
May	2	(Final)		

NORTH REGIONAL LEAGUE

1963		OPPONENTS	F.	A.
Aug.	24	Port Vale	3	2
	31	Middlesbrough		
Sept.	4	Bradford		
	7	York		
	14	Doncaster... ..		
	21	Bradford		
	28	York		
Oct.	5	Middlesbrough ...		
	12	Lincoln		
	19	Bradford City ...		
	21	Scunthorpe		
	26	Rotherham		
Nov.	2	Lincoln		
	9	Hull		
	16	Port Vale		
	23	Sunderland		
	30	Doncaster... ..		
Dec.	7	Gateshead		
	14	Bradford City		
	21	Doncaster		
	28	Gateshead		
1964				
Jan.	4	Halifax		
	18	Doncaster		
	25	Hartlepoons		
Feb.	8	Hull		
	22	Sunderland		
	29	Halifax		
Mar.	7	Rotherham		
	21	Hull		
	28	Scunthorpe		
Apr.	4	Hartlepoons		
	11	Hull		

LINCOLNSHIRE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

PREMIER DIVISION

1963		OPPONENTS	F.	A.
Sept.	24	Boston		
Oct.	14	Gainsborough		
Nov.	27	Lincoln City		
Dec.	10	Scunthorpe United ...		
1964				
Jan.	14	Gainsborough		
	28	Lincoln City		
Feb.	5	Boston		
Mar.	24	Spalding		
April	7	Spalding		
	21	Scunthorpe		

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- 1—Wolves.
- 2—Everton and Bournemouth.
- 3—E. Lowe.
- 4—Lincoln.
- 5—Pontefract.
- 6—Spurs, Leyton Orient.
- 7—Tiger beat Fullmer.
- 8—Lancs. Combination.
- 9—Leyton Orient.
- 10—Won at same meeting.
- 11—Blackpool.
- 12—4 x 100 yards, G.B. (3 J.) U.S.A. (1 J.)

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The man in charge is Mr. Bert Head, the Swindon manager, formerly assistant manager at Bury. Irrespective of results, the club persevered with youth for several seasons as the players gained in experience.

Last season, patience was rewarded as this talented troupe whose average age is under 22, took Swindon into the Second Division for the first time in their history.

What it cost in time and toil is immeasurable but in cash it can hardly have taken more than a few thousand pounds. A good club spirit and the fact that there are seven 'locals' to add home town pride has produced a blend of ability and drive.

The club have not placed all their hopes on youth. The 'old' hand is Ken McPherson, formerly a centre forward, now the sheet anchor at centre half.

Nor have Swindon entirely discarded the cheque book for only a few weeks ago they paid out £10,000 for Graham French, an outside left, from Shrewsbury, an England youth international.

To pay five figures for a player must have been a unique event in recent club history! And—ironically—he could not play in the opening game against Scunthorpe United as he was not fully fit.

On the other side of the balance sheet, Swindon have naturally had many tempting offers for their young stars, topped by one of nearly £30,000 from Plymouth Argyle for Ernie Hunt, the 20 years old ace of the attack who has remarkable ability for one so young.

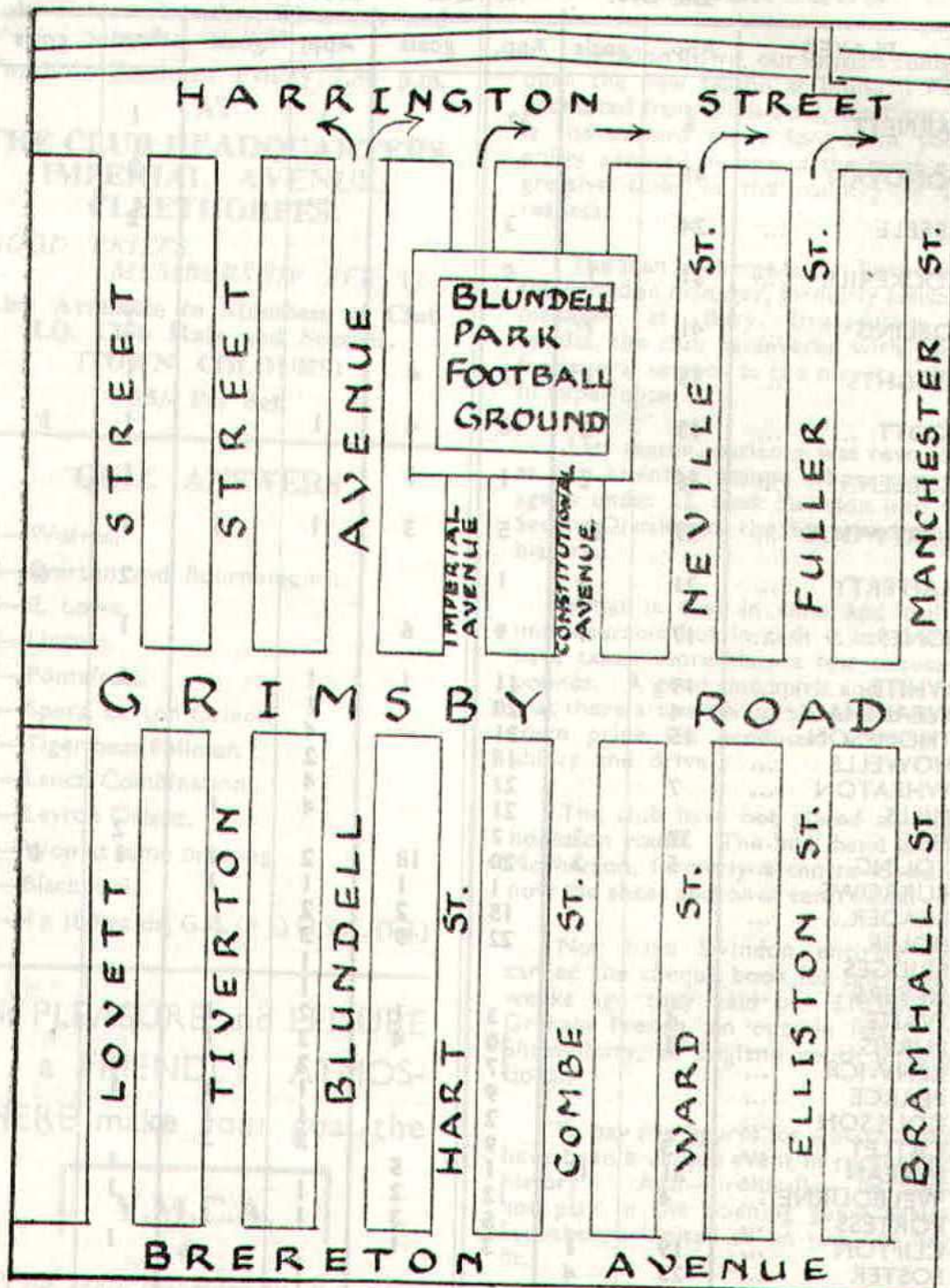
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APPEARANCES & SCORERS

SEASON 1962-63

PLAYER	2nd DIV.		N. REG.		LINCS. PREM.		CUP	
	App.	goals	App.	goals	App.	goals	App.	goals
BARNETT ...	6		22		1		1	
DONOVAN ...	41						2	
KEEBLE ...	24		3				2	
COCKERILL ...	31	1	5					
JOBLING ...	41	1					2	
KNIGHTS ...	19	1	11	4			1	
SCOTT ...	13	2	16	4	1		1	1
CULLEN...	16	2	1	1			1	
PORTWOOD ...	27	10	5	3	1	4	1	
RAFFERTY ...	31	8	1				2	1
JONES ...	17	1	9	6			1	
WHITE ...	19		11	1	1		1	
WEALTHALL ...	4		20		1			
THOMPSON ...	15		21		4			
HOWELLS ...			18		2			
WHEATON ...	7		21		4			
MILLS ...			21		4	1		
HILL ...	37	3	2				2	
YOUNG ...	5	3	20	18	2	1	1	1
BURROWS ...			1	1	1	1		
BRADER...			15	2	2			
FIDLER ...			22	9	3			
BRIDGES ...					1			
MEYERS ...					1			
WAITE ...	1		3	1	2	1		
PURVIS ...	1		10	4	3	1		
RENWICK ...			17		2			
PEARCE ...			9		1	1	1	
COULSON ...			2		1	1		
CATLEY ...	3		9		3	3		
McLEAN ...	31	15	1	5			1	
WELBOURNE ...	4		12	2	1		1	
PORTESS ...			5	3	1	1		
CLIFTON ...	19	1	3	1			1	
FOSTER ...	23	4			1			
WOOLF ...					1			
TAYLOR ...			2		1			
WEBSTER ...			3	1	1			
SMITH ...					1			
WRIGHT ...	16							
COLLINS ...			7	2				
PENNINGTON ...	11	1						
SWIFT ...			4					
BLACKBURN ...			1					
TEANBY ...			1					

PARKING PLAN



Our Visitors (continued from page 12).

Hunt went on tour with the Under-23 team during the summer. Another forward to set the scouts talking was Michael Summerbee, the lively right winger. Morgan, the right half and captain, is a sturdy type with Woodruff, on the other flank, the driving force in mid-field.

Undoubtedly, with enthusiasm still high, Mr. Head's 'Harriers' will be flat out tonight to make their trip worth while, and the Grimsby team can be relied upon to give everything in front of their supporters in a bid for a winning start.

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POLICE NOTICE RE CAR PARKING.

The arrangements are similar to those that have been customary for a number of years. The only one-way street will be HARRINGTON STREET, in a southerly direction from BLUNDELL AVENUE to MANCHESTER STREET. No PARKING will be allowed in GRIMSBY ROAD or BRERETON AVENUE, as these are main roads which it is desired to keep clear, nor in that part of HARRINGTON STREET behind the football ground between the main entrance and MANCHESTER STREET, the west side of HARRINGTON STREET, that part of BLUNDELL AVENUE east of GRIMSBY ROAD, CONSTITUTIONAL AVENUE, IMPERIAL AVENUE and COMBE STREET which is reserved for buses.

PARKING will be allowed on both sides of all other minor streets and it is particularly requested, to assist dispersal after the match, that motorists approaching from CLEETHORPE ROAD, GRIMSBY, would park their cars in HART STREET, DAUBNEY STREET, BARCROFT STREET, LOVETT STREET, TIVERTON STREET or HARRINGTON STREET, and those from CLEETHORPES and elsewhere in any of the minor streets south of the football ground.

It is also requested that so far as possible, all cars should be parked with the near side next to the kerb and facing in the same direction. If a motorist should enter any minor street and find there is no space available on the left hand side, he is requested to continue into the next street where space may be available, always going with the stream on whichever main road he happens to turn.

