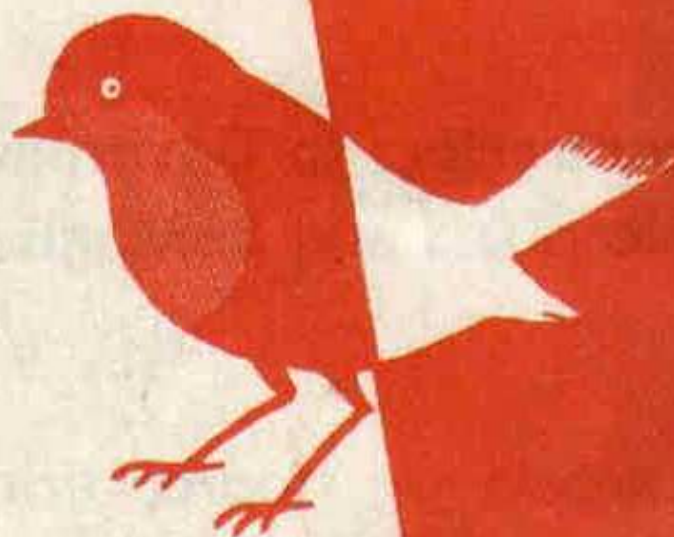


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CLUB NOTES

Now to our fifth game of the season! The saying is "It is tough at the top"; it is certainly difficult to keep on winning. Whilst matches won bring confidence to the team, spectators often think that having won two or three games in a row, the players should continue to win games. Unfortunately, the team cannot be right on the top line on every occasion.

However, may Swindon continue in a winning vein. The game against Grimsby was, as expected, a keen, hard, fast game, swinging rapidly from end to end of the field. It was certainly enjoyed by the 21,800 spectators, whose interest was held right to the final whistle. In fact with the Grimsby rally in the second half (just the reverse of the previous week), the result was in doubt to the very end. A significant feature was the fact that hardly one spectator moved out of the ground until the game had finished.

What a grand gate! The largest one for a league game since Peterborough visited the County Ground on Good Friday. Our supporters are enthusiastic and give tremendous encouragement to our lads, and are usually quick to applaud good play or sporting gestures by our opponents, but oh! we wish we could stop the booing. With the game played at the speed it is today and players going all out to get the ball, there are

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bound to be bumps and spills. Generally, these are mostly accidental and can be caused by players on both sides (our lads are not all angels), so please be real sportsmen. We feel, and we know other clubs do, that we have a wonderful bunch of supporters, who follow us both home and away, but let us give credit to our visitors, and also to the officials. Their job is most difficult in the excitement and fervour of the game. They often travel hundreds of miles (generally alone), and are very conscientious in their duties.

One more request to you: please pack as closely as possible. Although almost 22,000 people attended the Grimsby game, there was ample room in certain parts of the ground. The enclosure in front of the Old Stand, and the centre of Stratton Bank.

May we also ask you all not to throw paper or cartons on to the playing pitch. Apart from causing an incident, it disfigures the ground. To those supporters occupying the ring seats, please remain seated throughout the game, and do *not* run on to or *cross* the playing pitch after the game. Apart from being totally unnecessary, swarms of people on the ground irritates the players and could lead to disturbances. That is the last thing we want. We have made a great start in Division II; the lads have shown everyone what happens when a team plays good football. Let us now show our visitors what a grand enthusiastic, sporting crowd watch the games at the County Ground, Swindon.

Finally, it is *dangerous* to climb on the floodlight pylons, and also the scaffolding being erected for the clock.

We would appreciate it if our supporters could come to the matches as early as possible, please. In this way the queues, which often form about a quarter of an hour before the kick-off,

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could be avoided and also the ground could gradually be filled. More turnstiles have been added, and we are sure supporters, both standing and sitting, appreciate the entrance at the rear of the New Stand.

We realise there is little pleasure in waiting a long time before the game begins, especially as we have no band to entertain you at present. We are very sorry about this, but unfortunately the band which has played at the County Ground for many years was not able to continue. Efforts are, however, being made to remedy this omission, and it is very probable that a band will play at some, if not all, our games. In the meantime, we continue with the popular "pop" records, which we understand are enjoyed by our younger supporters.

The programmes to date have been filled with matter of general nature appertaining to club policy, especially regarding accommodation. We hope, in future, to give a resumé of matches played by our other teams. We trust you will be interested, as no doubt some of the boys playing in these teams will one day make the first team. Apart from the Division II team, we field each Saturday three other sides: the London Combination (or Reserve Team), the Hellenic League, and the Wiltshire Premier League. All three of these leagues require strong teams to represent us.

The playing strength is thus stretched to its full capacity, which can be complicated by injuries to players.

Regarding our invalids, John Stevens is now almost fully fit as is Terry Wollen, who jarred his leg playing a game at Didcot; Arnold Darcy is doing light training; Willie Harber still has his leg in plaster, but should resume training in a couple of weeks.

OUR VISITORS

Today we welcome the Directors, Officials and Players of Rotherham United Football Club.

With only one point from four games the United have made a disappointing start to the season. Nevertheless, today's game will be a hard struggle for points which are vital to both clubs.

The team will be selected from the following players:-

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Previous Club	Birthplace
Ironside (Goalkeeper)		6. 0	14.10	—	Sheffield
Morritt (Goalkeeper)		6. 0	12. 8	—	Rotherham
Carver (Full Back)		5.11	12.10	—	Rotherham
Morgan (Full Back)		5. 9	11.12	Huddersfield	Rotherham
Lambert (Half Back)		5.10	11. 9	—	Rotherham
Madden (Half Back)		6. 2	14. 4	—	Bradford
Jackson (Half Back)		5.11	11. 8	—	Maltby
Bennett (Forward)		6. 0	11. 0	—	Durham
Kirkman (Forward)		5.10	11. 3	Manchester C.	Bolton
Houghton (Forward)		5.10	12. 5	—	Rotherham
Taylor (Forward)		5. 9	10. 7	Birmingham	Walsall
Casper (Forward)		5. 9	10. 0	—	Barnsley
Bambridge (Forward)		5. 3	9. 2	—	Rotherham

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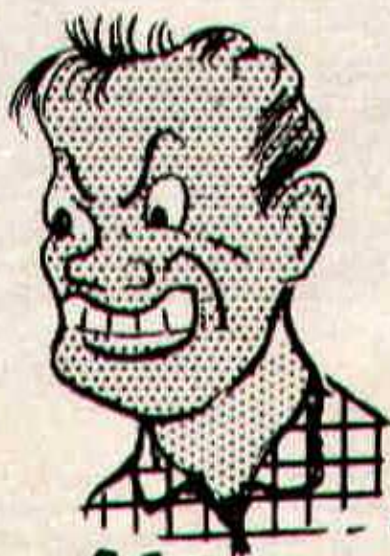


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28	GRIMSBY TOWN	(A)	2-1
31	PORTSMOUTH	(A)	4-1
September 3	GRIMSBY TOWN	(H)	2-1
7	ROTHERHAM UNITED	(H)	
10	MANCHESTER CITY	(H)	
14	LEEDS UNITED	(A)	
18	MANCHESTER CITY	(A)	
21	SUNDERLAND	(H)	
28	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	(A)	
October 1	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(H)	
5	BURY	(H)	
12	PRESTON NORTH END	(A)	
19	LEYTON ORIENT	(H)	
26	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	(A)	
November 2	SOUTHAMPTON	(H)	
9	MIDDLESBROUGH	(A)	
16	(1) NEWCASTLE UNITED	(H)	
23	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	(A)	
30	DERBY COUNTY	(H)	
December 7	(2) SWANSEA TOWN	(A)	
14	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	(A)	
21	PORTSMOUTH	(H)	
26	NORWICH CITY	(A)	
28	NORWICH CITY	(H)	
1964			
January 4	(3)		
11	ROTHERHAM UNITED	(A)	
18	LEEDS UNITED	(H)	
25	(4)		
February 1	SUNDERLAND	(A)	
8	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	(H)	
15	(5) BURY	(A)	
22	PRESTON NORTH END	(H)	
29	(6) NEWCASTLE UNITED	(A)	
March 7	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	(H)	
14	(S.F.) CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(A)	
21	MIDDLESBROUGH	(H)	
27	CARDIFF CITY	(H)	
28	LEYTON ORIENT	(A)	
30	CARDIFF CITY	(A)	
April 4	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	(H)	
11	DERBY COUNTY	(A)	
18	SWANSEA TOWN	(H)	
25	SOUTHAMPTON	(A)	
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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

Much has been written regarding the extremely gratifying results of the opening matches, but we should be failing in our duty if we omitted to add our congratulations to the players on the successes achieved.

Those of us, the Cinderellas, who did not make the journey to Portsmouth last Saturday, grew more and more excited as the periodical progress announcements were made.

In addition, we witnessed a very interesting game and can, with confidence, commend the Football Combination matches to all supporters.

Just as the Town F.C. Directors and Players look forward, year by year, to the visits of friends from other clubs, so we of the Supporters' Club Committee look forward to renewing acquaintances amongst visiting Supporters' Clubs. This season we shall be able to revive friendships with Officials of such clubs as Cardiff, Swansea, Plymouth, Portsmouth and Southampton, whom we have not seen at the County Ground for a number of years.

We look forward, too, to making new friends—amongst them any members of Rotherham United Supporters' Club who may be at the County Ground today. This is a club with which we have previously had no contact.

Those supporters who may wish to join our club without participating in the competition, may visit us at our office to enrol, or may do so by postal application (stating name and address) to the Ground.

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As the competition is not open to anyone under sixteen years of age, the younger supporters will no doubt wish to take advantage of the alternative method of enrolment, and we are extremely anxious that they should become members, so as to create a large body of support for the Club in the future.

We therefore appeal especially today to all supporters under sixteen years of age to join the Supporters' Club, and to make sure that their friends do so.

We hope that they will all acquire the habit of attending at the County Ground regularly, and also behave in a responsible and sportsmanlike manner.

Once again, in spite of appeals, the thoughtless minority entered the playing pitch after the Grimsby game. This irresponsible behaviour must cease.

It would, indeed, be unfortunate if it became necessary to take action against a few offenders to prevent them from attending matches, so as to provide a warning for the remainder. We know that the majority will wish to set a good example.

If a sufficiently large body of youthful support is enrolled, it might be possible later to organise special events for them and possibly an exhibition of their collections of photographs and autographs.

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31	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS	(H)	2-1
Sept. 11	SOUTHAMPTON	(A)	
14	SOUTHEND UNITED	(A)	
24	CHELSEA	(H)	
28	ALDERSHOT	(A)	
October 8	WATFORD	(H)	
12	BRENTFORD	(H)	
19	BIRMINGHAM CITY	(A)	
26	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	(H)	
November 6	COVENTRY CITY	(A)	
9	LEYTON ORIENT	(H)	
19	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(A)	
23	FULHAM	(H)	
December 4	READING	(A)	
7	BIRMINGHAM CITY	(H)	
14	PORTSMOUTH	(H)	
23	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS	(A)	

1964

January 4	MILLWALL	(H)	
11	SOUTHAMPTON	(H)	
21	SOUTHEND UNITED	(H)	
28	MILLWALL	(A)	
February 1	CHELSEA	(A)	
15	WATFORD	(A)	
22	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	(A)	
29	COVENTRY CITY	(H)	
March 7	LEYTON ORIENT	(A)	
14	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(H)	
25	FULHAM	(A)	
28	READING	(H)	
30	ALDERSHOT	(H)	
April 7	BRENTFORD	(A)	
11	BOURNEMOUTH & B.A.	(H)	
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Manchester City	4	2	1	1	8	5	5
Cardiff City	4	2	1	1	7	8	5
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Swansea Town	4	1	2	1	6	8	4
Huddersfield Town	4	1	1	2	6	5	3
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First Team v. Portsmouth (away)

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Result: Won 4-1. Scorers: Atkins, Summerbee, Smart, 1 o.g.

Reserve Team v. Queen's Park Rangers (home)

Hicks; Hellin, Lloyd; Sproates, Hallett, Shergold; Leggett, Colsell, Plumb, Tabor, French.

Result: Won 2-1. Scorers: Leggett, Plumb.

Wilts. Premier League Team v. Westbury (away)

Spicer; Huxford, Westlake; Prosser, Griffin, Ling; James, Wrintmore, Peapell, Adams, Lewis.

Result: Lost 2-6. Scorer Peapell (2).

Hellenic League Team v. Newbury (home)

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