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DIVISION III

**STOCKPORT
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v

**SWINDON
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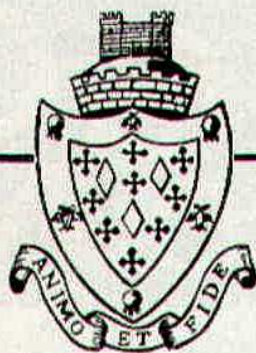


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HOME

Next Home League Match

BRIGHTON & H.

Friday, September 8th

Kick-off 7-30 p.m.

OR

Next Away League Matches

AWAY

SHREWSBURY T.

Saturday, Sept. 2nd

kick-off 3-15 p.m.

MAKE

GRIMSBY TOWN

Wednesday, Sept. 6th

Kick-off 7-30 p.m.

THE

League Cup Replay

CREWE ALEX.

Monday, August 28th

Kick-off 7-30 p.m.

DAY

Catch the 'County Arrow' to . . .

SHREWSBURY

on Saturday, September 2nd

- Fare 15/- (16 and under 10/-).
- Seats bookable from County or on STO 7561.
- Admission at Shrewsbury costs:—Ground 4/6, Children 2/6, Enclosure 5/6, Children 3/-, Stand 8/- and 6/-. Children Half Price.
- Seats can be booked from:—The Secretary, Shrewsbury Town A.F.C., Gay Meadow, Shrewsbury (correct remittance and S.A.E.).
- The ground is six minutes walk from the station.

NOTE: The "County Arrow" will NOT be going to the midweek game at Grimsby.

Patience then see us go places



HELLO, again ! And let me kick off the new season at Edgeley Park about a rather lengthy short stroll I took on the first day of soccer.

I just walked the length of a train, but I covered about 200 miles. For the train was the County Arrow and I wanted to have a word with our supporters in every coach on the return from Reading.

While I was doing this I had two contrasting feelings, one of sadness and one of joy.

THE SADNESS was in the news just 48 hours earlier that Jimmy Hill, the manager of Coventry City, was quitting football.

I couldn't help thinking of him when I was on the "Arrow" for it was, of course, he who introduced the idea of fan-trains to English football.

And I would like to take this opportunity of acknowledging all the help and advice he has given us these past few weeks over the "Arrow." Nothing was too much trouble. Thanks Jim.

SMOOTH-RUNNING

He was a great front man, a great one for the ideas and new-thinking, but don't think that Coventry will slide back into oblivion just because he is going.

He and chairman Derrick Robins have built a smooth-running organisation and I believe that there will be a smooth takeover when the new man is named.

For, no matter what anyone has done for football, no-one is indispensable.

NOW TO THE JOY. That Stockport County, written off as finished three years ago, should be only the second club to have their own train.

As I said in our Summer bulletin, I honestly believe that we have embarrassed many big clubs by the progress we have made in a short time.

BY

VICTOR BERNARD
(Chairman)

On the "Arrow" some of our supporters—as I am sure some of you were at home when you heard the result—was disappointed that we started with a 3-0 defeat.

My message to them is—and to you tonight—"There's nothing to be disappointed about."

Remember, Reading just missed promotion last season; remember that they lost only four home games last year; remember that they had the boost of a fluke deflected first goal and remember that we lost iron man Eddie Stuart injured and as our substitute was a midfield player it was difficult to reorganise.

ALL I ASK IS, TO BE PATIENT. EVERYTHING TAKES TIME IN FOOTBALL.

Last season defeat was a rarity, but we must be prepared to accept defeat this season.

SPRUCED UP

It will take a little time to adjust the pace, the team found a big difference last Saturday with the close and sharp marking contrasted to the friendly games with First Division clubs when they had time and room to move in.

But, just look at the new seating in the Cheadle stand, look at the County Arrow, look at the spruced up playing surface, look at our new sports centre at Bredbury and look at the County Club.

And don't forget the champion team . . . it all adds up to the fact that we know where we are going. *But just be patient.*

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is for



it's also for future

There's a lot of enjoyment to be had in watching a good game of football. And there's a lot to be gained from planning your future. So, when you leave the match this afternoon, open the programme again at this page and take a good look at the name at the bottom. Because F is for Fairey, too. And there your own personal future may very well be. That is if you're interested in learning modern engineering techniques, or are already acquainted with them.

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MEET THE TEAM WE MEET

Swindon have a hammer touch



ROGERS

WHAT a great start to the Edgeley Park season. For Swindon, the club that produced such stars as Manchester City's Mike Summerbee and Wolves' Ernie Hunt, were the talk of the Cup last season.

They knocked out mighty West Ham and took semi-finalists Nottingham Forest to three games. They also finished eighth, only five points behind second placed Middlesbrough. And now meet their star-studded team.

PETER DOWNSBOROUGH

(Goalkeeper) Born Halifax and signed for £3,000 from the Town in August, 1965. A fearless and agile player.

ROD THOMAS

(Full back) Was recruited from Gloucester City in July, 1964, and gained a regular place last season. It was a great year for him for he also gained a Welsh Under 23 and full Welsh cap.

JOHN TROLLOPE

(Full back) Swindon born and joined the club straight from school. Made his debut at the age of 16 at the beginning of the 1960-61 season when his partner was also 16 and they were the youngest full backs ever to play together in League soccer. Last season John celebrated an unbroken run of 300 League games.

DAVID HARPER

(Wing half) Formerly with Millwall, he came in the close season for £6,000 from Ipswich where he made 37 League appearances last year. Born in London.

MEL NURSE

(Centre half) Capped 12 times for Wales, Mel was on Manchester United's shopping list during his seven years with Swansea Town. Transferred to Middlesbrough in September, '62 and moved to Swindon for £15,000.

STAN HARLAND

(Wing half) Liverpool born, he has been with Everton, Bradford City and Carlisle from whom he joined Swindon in the summer of '66.

WILLIE PENMAN

(Inside forward) Formerly with Glasgow Rangers, this clever ball-player was a £10,000 signing from Newcastle United in September, 1966.

PAT TERRY

(Centre forward) A much-travelled player. Born in Lambeth, he was with Charlton, Swansea, Gillingham, Northampton and Millwall before being signed for £8,000 last season from Reading.

ROGER SMART

(Inside forward) Another local who came straight from the Swindon schoolboy team at 17 was a regular with the reserves. Excels as a deep lying schemer.

DON ROGERS

(Winger) Signed when 15, he gained many youth international caps and graduated to the Under 23 side. Top scorer last season with 33 goals, can play on either wing and is the most sought after player in the team.

BRUCE WALKER

(Outside left) Comes from the racing area of Newbury and is quite a "flier." He was snapped up from local football and also has a powerful shot.

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Steve Fleet	6 1	12	8	
Ken Mulhearn	6 1½	13	0	
Brian Lloyd	6 1½	11	7	

FULL-BACKS

Peter Jones	5 11	12	0	
Billy Haydock	5 9	10	2	
Brian Gallagher	5 9	11	3	
John Prentis	5 9½	11	2	

HALF-BACKS

Freddie Goodwin ...	5 10	11	5	
Matt Woods	6 1	13	7	
Colin Parry	6 0	12	7	
Eddie Stuart	6 1	13	0	
Albert Harley	5 8	11	6	

FORWARDS

John Price	5 3½	10	0	
Len Allchurch	5 7	10	11	
Derek Kevan	6 2	13	0	
Bill Atkins	6 2	13	0	
Keith East	5 10½	11	5	
Tony Morrin	5 7½	11	6	
Bert Lister	5 8	11	0	

APPRENTICES : Paul Wilkinson, Keith Morris, Terry Allen, Ian Wragg, Ernie Douthwaite, Charles Foley, Jimmy Collier.

Football League Cup

1st ROUND REPLAY

STOCKPORT

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CREWE

Monday, August 28th

Kick-off 7-30 p.m.

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PERSONALITY PAGE

THIS WEEK

Brian Gallagher



WELCOME back, Brian Gallagher. Yes, BACK. Now this may come as a surprise to many County fans but when Brian signed this summer it was the second time that he joined the club.

The first was in 1954 as an amateur at the age of 16 and if you didn't know this it's hardly surprising for he never played in a game for the club.

He was signed during the summer, but he didn't like travelling from his home in Oldham so he returned to play local football in that area.

Brian was then an inside forward. Two years later he joined Ashton United.

DOUBLE DEBUT

In a practice match they were short of a defender. Gallagher said he would have a go. He was so successful that on October 6th, 1956—a date that he never has any difficulty in remembering—and after only 12 first team games he went to Bury.

He made his debut in a 2-0 win over Scunthorpe towards the end of the next season when the other full back, Brian Howcroft, was also making his first senior appearance.

Just over two seasons ago he moved to Carlisle for £7,000 and although plagued by injury—he had a spell in hospital with chest trouble—he made about 50 senior

"I'LL MISS THE SHOOTING"

appearances in a team which manager Alan Ashman built into one of the surprise sides of the division.

Brian certainly conforms to County's team-building policy which is—if you want to play in higher grade football you must sign players with experience of that division.

REGRET

Let's hope that his Division Two days are not over. But he does admit to one slight regret about his move from Carlisle to County this summer—he won't be able to continue with his hobby of rough shooting.

He liked nothing better in his spare time than going into the country with a 12-bore.

However, coming back to Edgeley, means that Brian can again live at home in Oldham for, girls, he is still a bachelor.

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How they finished up

DIVISION III

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals		Pts.
					F.	A.	
Q.P.R.	46	26	15	5	103	38	67
Middlesboro ...	46	23	9	14	87	64	55
Watford	46	20	14	12	61	46	54
Reading	46	22	9	15	76	57	53
Bristol R.	46	20	13	13	76	67	53
Shrewsbury ...	46	20	12	14	77	62	52
Torquay	46	21	9	16	73	54	51
Swindon	46	20	10	16	81	59	50
Mansfield	46	20	9	17	84	79	49
Oldham	46	19	10	17	80	63	48
Gillingham	46	15	16	15	58	62	46
Colchester	46	17	10	19	76	73	44
Walsall	46	18	10	18	65	72	46
Oxford	46	15	13	18	61	66	43
Peterboro	46	14	15	17	66	71	43
Grimsby	46	17	9	20	61	68	43
Leyton	46	13	18	15	58	68	44
Scunthorpe ...	46	17	8	21	58	73	42
Brighton	46	13	15	18	61	71	41
Bournemouth ..	46	12	17	17	39	57	41
Swansea	46	12	15	19	85	89	39
Darlington	46	13	11	22	47	81	37
Doncaster	46	12	8	26	58	117	32
Workington	46	12	7	27	55	89	31

DIVISION IV

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals		Pts.
					F.	A.	
County	46	26	12	8	69	42	64
Southport	46	23	13	10	69	42	59
Barrow	46	24	11	11	76	54	59
Tranmere	46	22	14	10	66	43	58
Crewe	46	21	12	13	70	55	54
Southend	46	22	9	15	70	49	53
Wrexham	46	16	20	10	76	62	52
Hartlepool ...	46	22	7	17	66	64	51
Brentford	46	18	13	15	58	56	49
Aldershot	46	18	12	16	72	57	48
Bradford C. ...	46	19	10	17	74	62	48
Halifax	46	15	14	17	59	68	44
Port V.	46	14	15	17	55	58	43
Exeter	46	14	15	17	50	60	43
Chesterfield ...	46	17	8	21	60	63	42
Barnsley	46	13	15	18	60	64	41
Luton T.	46	16	9	21	59	73	41
Newport	46	12	16	18	56	63	40
Chester	46	15	10	21	54	78	40
Notts. C.	46	13	11	22	53	72	37
Rochdale	46	13	11	22	53	75	37
York C.	46	12	11	23	65	79	35
Bradford	46	11	13	22	52	79	35
Lincoln	46	9	13	24	58	82	31

'A' TEAM FIXTURES

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

(" SC " Denotes Supplementary Competition)

Aug.	19	Bolton W.	" B " (SC)	Away	2-4
	26	Blackpool	" B " (SC)	Home	
Sept.	2	Rochdale	" A " (SC)	Home	
Wed.	6	Oldham A.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	9	Southport	" A " (SC)	Home	
	16	Man. C.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	23	Oldham A.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	30	Blackpool	" B " (SC)	Away	
Oct.	7	Burnley	" B " (SC)	Home	
	14	Man. C.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	21	Man. U.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	28	Blackburn R.	" B " (SC)	Home	
Nov.	4	Burnley	" B " (SC)	Away	
	11	Bolton W.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	18	Everton	" B " (SC)	Away	
	25				
Dec.	2	Tranmere R.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	9	Man. U.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	16	Liverpool	" B " (SC)	Home	
	23	Preston N.E.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	30	Blackburn R.	" B " (SC)	Away	

Jan.	6	Rochdale	" A " (SC)	Away	
	13	Man. U.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	20	Southport	" A " (SC)	Away	
	27	Tranmere R.	" B " (SC)	Home	
Feb.	3	Bolton W.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	10	Burnley	" B " (SC)	Home	
	17				
	24	Oldham A.	" B " (SC)	Away	
Mar.	2	Oldham A.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	9	Liverpool	" B " (SC)	Away	
	16	Rochdale	" A " (SC)	Home	
	23	Bolton W.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	30	Preston N.E.	" B " (SC)	Home	
Apr.	6	Burnley	" B " (SC)	Away	
Fri.	12	Man. U.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	13	Man. C.	" B " (SC)	Away	
	20				
	27				
May	1	Rochdale	" A " (Wed.)	Away	
	4	Man. C.	" B " (SC)	Home	
	11	Everton	" B " (SC)	Home	
	18				

(Home " A " team fixtures are played at Bredbury Steel sportsground)

SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	Gnd.	Score
Aug. 19	Reading	(A)	0-3
23	Crewe (L.C.) ..	(A)	1-1
25	Swindon T. ..	(H)	
Sept. 2	Shrewsbury ..	(A)	
6	Grimsby T. ..	(A)	
8	Brighton	(H)	
15	Bournemouth ..	(H)	
22	Tranmere R. ..	(A)	
25	Grimsby T. ..	(H)	
29	The Orient ..	(H)	
Oct. 4	Gillingham. ..	(A)	
7	Peterborough ..	(A)	
13	Mansfield T. ..	(H)	
21	Watford	(A)	
23	Gillingham ...	(H)	
27	Southport ...	(H)	
Nov. 3	Scunthorpe ..	(A)	
10	Oldham A. ..	(H)	
13	Shrewsbury ..	(H)	
18	Bristol R.	(A)	
24	Barrow	(H)	
Dec. 2	Oxford U.	(A)	
9	(1)		
15	Reading	(H)	
19	Swindon T. ..	(A)	
26	Walsall	(A)	
29	Walsall	(H)	
Jan. 6	(2)		
13	Brighton	(A)	
20	Bournemouth ..	(A)	
26	Torquay U. ..	(H)	
27	(3)		
Feb. 2	Tranmere R. ..	(H)	
10	The Orient ..	(A)	
17	(4) Northa'tn ..	(H)	
23	Peterborough ..	(H)	
Mar. 2	Mansfield T. ..	(A)	
9	(5) Torquay ..	(A)	
15	Watford	(H)	
19	Northa'ton T. ..	(A)	
22	Southport ...	(A)	
29	(6) Sc'thorpe ..	(H)	
Apr. 6	Oldham A. ..	(A)	
12	Colchester ..	(A)	
13	Bristol R.	(H)	
15	Colchester ..	(H)	
20	Barrow	(A)	
22	Bury	(H)	
26	(S.F.) Oxford ..	(H)	
May 4	Bury	(A)	
18	(F)		

CHESHIRE LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	Gnd.	Score
Aug. 19	Stafford R. ..	(H)	1-2
21	Tranmere R. ..	(A)	1-3
26	N. Brighton ..	(A)	
Sept. 2	Challenge Cup		
	Wigan A. ...	(A)	
4	Hyde Utd. ..	(A)	
9	Rhyl	(A)	
11	Hyde Utd. ..	(H)	
16	Wrexham ...	(A)	
18	Stalybridge ..	(H)	
20	Tranm're W'd. ..	(H)	
23	Frickley C. ..	(H)	
30	Wigan A. ...	(A)	
Oct. 7	Buxton	(H)	
9	League Chall. Cup		
14	Bangor City ..	(A)	
21	Macclesfield ..	(H)	
28	Winsford U. ..	(A)	
Nov. 4	Northwich V. ..	(H)	
11	Altrincham ..	(A)	
18	Oswestry T. ..	(H)	
25	Ellesmere P.T. ..	(A)	
Dec. 2	Mossley	(H)	
9	N. Brighton ..	(H)	
16	Witton A. ...	(A)	
23	Runcorn	(H)	
26	Runcorn	(A)	
30	Buxton	(A)	
Jan. 6	Wrexham ...	(H)	
13	Rhyl	(H)	
20	Ches. Senior Cup		
27	Macclesfield ..	(A)	
Feb. 3	Frickley C. ..	(A)	
10	Bangor City ..	(H)	
17	Mossley	(A)	
24	Northwich V. ..	(A)	
Mar. 2	Altrincham ..	(H)	
9	Wigan A. ...	(H)	
16	Stalybridge ..	(A)	
23	Winsford U. ..	(H)	
30	Oswestry T. ..	(A)	
Apr. 6	Witton A. ...	(H)	
12	Chester	(H)	
13			
15	Chester	(A)	
20	Ellesmere P.T. ..	(A)	
27	Stafford R. ..	(A)	
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