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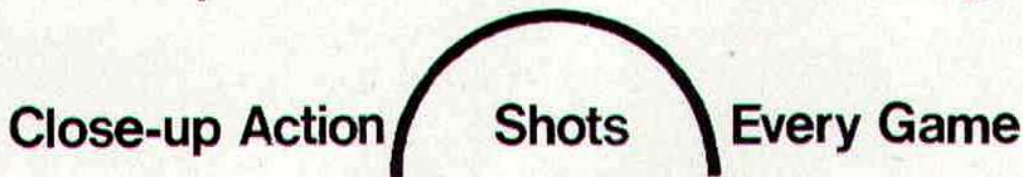
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**SATURDAY, 28th MARCH, 1970**

**Division II**

## SWINDON TOWN v WATFORD

**Kick-off 3 p.m.**

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## news & views

This afternoon we welcome our friends from Watford once again, in what is almost as important a match as our encounter last season. That game was played on the evening of Saturday, 29th March, 1969 when the Division 3 league table read as follows:

			P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
1	Watford	...	35	20	9	6	58	24	49
2	Swindon	...	36	21	7	8	56	29	49
3	Luton Town	...	36	20	7	9	59	31	47

The promotion problem seemed to rest between the top three clubs, but Plymouth Argyle in 4th position, Bournemouth in 5th place, and Stockport County could not be ruled out of the reckoning. (Note the league positions of the latter two clubs today. How quickly fortunes change in football.)

As was expected the game itself was rather hard and very fast. Play quickly moved from one end of the pitch to the other — at times it tended to be rather kick-and-rush — but never lacking in incident or excitement. In the first half Watford missed a penalty, mainly due to the excellent save made by Peter Downsborough. In the second half Swindon did the bulk of the attacking but, in the 86th minute, a long ball from the Watford defence into the Swindon half, found Endean chasing through on his own to score the only goal of the game.

Swindon: Downsborough; Dawson, Trollope; Butler, Burrows, Harland; Thomas, Smart, Smith, Noble, Rogers.

Watford: Walker; Welbourne, Williams; Eddy, Lees, Walley; Scullion, Hale, Garbett, Endean, Lewis.

Referee: Mr. H. G. New (Portsmouth).

Attendance: 28,898. Receipts: £6,272 11s. 6d.

As supporters well know, in spite of this defeat Swindon finished level in top position with Watford, so both clubs gained promotion to Division 2.

This season, whilst Watford has had a bad patch in League games, it had a wonderful run in the F.A. Cup competition, defeating Division 1 clubs Stoke City and Liverpool. A fortnight ago they finally lost in the Semi-Final against Chelsea, after a great fight. We congratulate them on their fine run of success.

Earlier this season, on the 15th November, 1969, we drew 0—0 at Watford. Our opponents will be very keen to win today's game, as although we think they will not be relegated, they are very near the danger zone.

The bottom four positions in Division 2 read as follows:

			Home						Away						Pts.
			P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
Watford	...	...	35	6	6	6	23	17	3	4	10	15	28	28	
Charlton	...	...	37	6	7	5	20	21	0	8	11	11	44	27	
Preston	...	...	36	7	5	6	29	22	1	5	12	11	32	26	
Aston Villa	...	...	36	5	7	6	20	21	0	5	13	10	38	22	

Fortunately, only two clubs are relegated from Division 2, and Watford is in a strong position having a game or two in hand, and a far superior goal average. Nevertheless, they will be anxious to gain every point, and by virtue of their Cup record must be a strong and talented team. Everything points to a keen and exciting game.

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## Supporters' Club Notes

These being the first Notes after the 32nd Annual Dinner and Dance, a brief report is not out of place. Mr. John E. Sutton, President of the Supporters' Club, proposed the Toast, "The Swindon Town F.C." in which he paid tribute to the players and the impact they had made on Division II. In the unavoidable absence of the Manager, Mr. Fred Ford, the Town's popular Captain, Stan Harland, proved an able substitute. In a witty, and very much to the point, speech, Stan once again paid tribute to the importance to the players of the magnificent support they received from Swindon supporters. Proposing the toast "The Swindon Town Football Supporters' Club", Mr. Eric Lane, Chairman of the Football Club, acknowledged the importance of the financial help afforded in the past by the Supporters' Club, and underlined the necessity for continued help and close liaison in view of the cost of future development. In reply, Mr. D. Pearce, Chairman of the Supporters' Club, paid tribute to the hard work of his Officers, Mr. J. Tompkins, Hon. General Secretary, and Mr. John Rees, who took office at a difficult time, and to the members of his Committee, in particular the Competition Agents and programme sellers. He substantiated this by saying that in the past fifteen years, a total of over £142,000 had been given to the Football Club. He then introduced two of the oldest Weekly Competition Agents, who had been active, and were still active, since its formation — Mrs. Louise Barnett of Swindon, and Mr. Reg. Clark of Devizes, thus honouring both Town and Country Agents. Mrs. Barnett and Mr. Clark then each presented a cheque for £400 to Mr. Lane, these being the monthly donations, given to the Football Club, covering March and April.

Mr. Jim Tompkins, Hon. General Secretary, proposed the Toast, "Our Visitors", paying tribute to the interest in Swindon Town shown by the distinguished guest, the Deputy Mayor of Swindon, Alderman A. Bown, from the time Alderman Bown played in the Swindon Boys football team, and as a member of the Supporters' Club since its foundation in 1931. Replying on behalf of the Visitors, Alderman Bown thanked the Supporters' Club for the hospitality and wished it every success in the future. To complete the formal part of the evening, Mrs. Barbara Ranger, the Supporters' Club Social Secretary, presented a bouquet of red and white carnations to the Deputy Mayoress, Mrs. Margaret Cox.

Finally, a welcome to the players and supporters of Watford. If any of you have time to spare, you will find the Social Club in the car park — join us if you can.

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## Face in the crowd – is it you?



In all future editions of this Season's programme we shall publish a photograph of a small section of the crowd at a previous match, one member of which will be clearly indicated by means of a circle. This person will be entitled to a free seat at the next match on producing the programme at the office.

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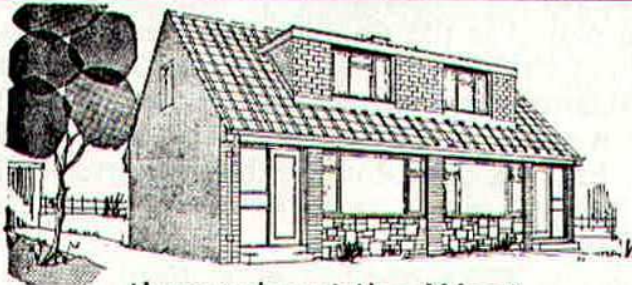
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#### **BERT SLATER**

Signed from Dundee in May 1965, Bert has several honours to his credit including a Division II Championship medal (Liverpool), Scottish Cup Winners Medal (Falkirk), Scottish League Runners-up medal (Dundee), Scottish "B" International, and an appearance in the European Cup semi-final, also with Dundee. So far Bert has made 150 first team appearances.

#### **MIKE WALKER**

Mike joined the Vicarage Road staff early in September 1968 from York City. His previous clubs were Reading and Shrewsbury, and he has represented Wales at Under 23 level on several occasions. Agile and acrobatic he made some very fine saves during last season at vital stages of a game.

#### **JOHN WILLIAMS**

John was signed in September 1964 from Bennetts End Youth Club. Originally signed as an apprentice, he progressed through the Juniors to become a full professional, and so far has made 183 first team appearances.

#### **DUNCAN WELBOURNE**

Joined Watford from Grimsby in November 1963 as a wing-half. Tough and tenacious he always gives 100%. He has played more first team games for the Club than any other player on the present staff, the total at the end of last season being 268.

#### **BRIAN GARVEY**

Born in Hull, Brian had eight seasons with the City before coming south to Watford in July 1965. He was a regular member of the first team at the beginning of last season until hit by an injury. He is a qualified F.A. Coach and spends a lot of his spare time assisting local clubs.

#### **KEITH EDDY**

Born in Barrow Keith signed for his local club on leaving school and became a Watford player in July 1966. Appointed Skipper for last season he did not miss one match and to date has made 147 first team appearances. During the close season he was selected to go on the F.A. Tour of New Zealand. He made an outstanding contribution to the success of the Club in 1968/69.

#### **TOM WALLEY**

Tom was born in Caernarvon where he played for the local side and was eventually persuaded to join the Arsenal staff. He was transferred to Watford in March 1967 and was an ever present last season making a total of 52 first team appearances in League and Cup competitions. He has represented his country as skipper of the Welsh Under 23 side and has been selected as reserve for the full international side. He is a tenacious tackler and is particularly noted for a fierce shot.

#### **STEWART SCULLION**

Previously with Chesham and Charlton Athletic, Stewart was born in Bo'ness in Scotland and joined Watford in February 1966. Many a Division 3 full-back will be thankful that they do not have to face him this season.

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## **OUR VISITORS (continued)**

### **TERRY GARBETT**

Formerly with Middlesbrough, Terry became a Watford Player in August 1966 and so far has made 141 appearances and scored 45 goals in the first team. Unfortunately he had to undergo an appendix operation towards the end of last season which kept him out of the first team for several weeks.

### **BRIAN OWEN**

Brian became a professional in July 1962 but previously played for the Club as an amateur and an apprentice. Last season was probably his most successful since joining the Club as he made 35 first team appearances. He gained an England Youth cap against Switzerland in 1963 and in his spare time he is studying to become a physio-therapist.

### **BERNARD LEWIS**

An Under 23 Welsh International he was transferred to Watford from Cardiff City in November 1967, having spent four seasons with the Bluebirds, for whom he played nearly 100 Cup and League games, including European Cup matches.

### **MICHAEL PACKER**

A former apprentice with the Club he signed professional forms in April 1968. He is the youngest member of the staff and with consistent performances from the regular members of the team he had little opportunity during last season to prove himself.

### **DIXIE HALE**

Born in Waterford, Dixie first came into League football with Swansea Town, then played for Barrow and Workington before coming to Watford in July 1967. He gained several caps for the League of Ireland, and so far has made 94 first team appearances for the Club.

### **WALTER LEES**

Walter was persuaded to leave the Scottish Junior club Kilsyth Rangers in June 1968. Signed as a centre-half he made his debut at centre-forward at the beginning of the season but had to wait several months before an injury to Brian Garvey gave him the opportunity to become a first team regular.

### **ROY SINCLAIR**

Previously with Liverpool and Tranmere Rovers, Roy was signed in March 1969 immediately after an impressive performance against Watford in the League. In the few games which he played for the Club he showed that he will be an asset, particularly in the Second Division.

### **BARRY ENDEAN**

Unknown at the beginning of last season when he signed from Pelton Fell, Barry soon seized the opportunity of making his presence felt and finished the season as leading goal scorer with a total of 20 goals. This might well have been more apart from an injury which although it did not prevent him playing it certainly affected him for several weeks.

### **RODNEY GREEN**

A much travelled footballer, Rodney has played for both Bradford clubs, Barnsley, Grimsby, Gillingham, Charlton and Luton. He made the short journey from Kenilworth Road in August 1968 and started the season as a part-timer, but went full-time towards the end of last season.

## Division I I

### Fixture List

**August**

9 Blackburn Rovers	(A) 0—2
13 Cardiff City	(A) 2—2
16 Carlisle United	(H) 2—2
19 Cardiff City	(H) 2—1
23 Aston Villa	(A) 2—0
30 Charlton Athletic	(H) 5—0

**September**

2 League Cup (2) Swansea	(A) 3—1
6 Blackpool	(A) 2—3
13 Oxford United	(H) 0—0
16 Middlesbrough	(A) 0—0
20 Queen's Park Rangers	(A) 0—2
24 League Cup (3) Oxford	(A) 0—1
27 Leicester City	(H) 1—1
30 Millwall	(H) 2—1

**October**

4 Bolton Wanderers	(A) 1—0
7 Carlisle United	(A) 2—2
11 Sheffield United	(H) 2—1
18 Hull City	(H) 1—0
25 Portsmouth	(A) 1—3

**November**

1 Norwich City	(H) 2—0
8 Birmingham City	(A) 0—2
15 Watford	(A) 0—0
22 Huddersfield Town	(H) 2—1
29 Preston North End	(A) 1—3

**December**

6 Bristol City	(H) 1—1
13 Oxford United	(A) 0—0
26 Aston Villa	(H) 1—1
27 Charlton Athletic	(A) 1—1

### 1970

**January**

3 F.A. Cup Blackburn	4—0
10 Queen's Park Rangers	(H) 0—0
17 Leicester City	(A) 2—0
24 F.A. Cup (4) Chester	(H) 4—2
31 Bolton Wanderers	(H) 3—2

**February**

7 F.A. Cup (5) Scunthorpe	(H) 3—1
9 Sheffield United	(A) 2—1
21 F.A. Cup (6) Leeds	(H) 0—2
28 Hull City	(A) 1—1

**March**

3 Portsmouth	(H) 3—1
14 Preston North End	(H) 1—0
21 Bristol City	(A) 3—3
24 Huddersfield Town	(A) 1—1
28 Watford	(H) .....
30 Norwich City	(A) .....
31 Birmingham City	(H) .....

**April**

4 Millwall	(A) .....
7 Blackpool	(H) .....
14 Middlesbrough	(H) .....
20 Blackburn Rovers	(H) .....

### Appearances

Name	Div. II	League	F.A.	Cup
		Cup	Cup	Winners Cup
Downsborough	33	2	4	2
Thomas	33	2	4	2
Trollope	33	2	4	2
Butler	33	2	4	2
Burrows	32	2	4	1
Harland	32	2	4	2
Smith	19 (1)	2	4	2
Horsfield	31	2	4	2
Smart	33	2	4	2
Noble	30	2	3	2
Rogers	27	2	4	2
Jones	9 (6)		1 (1)	(1)
Blick	1 (4)			1
Heath	16 (1)			
Down	(1)			
Penman	1		(1)	

(Playing as substitute in brackets)

### Goalscorers

Name	Div. II	League	F.A.	Cup
		Cup	Cup	Winners Cup
Horsfield	15		4	3
Noble	12	3	1	1
Jones	5		1	1
Rogers	6		1	
Smith	2		1	
Burrows	1			
Trollope	2			
Thomas	1			
Smart	2		1	
Butler			1	
Opponents	1			

# League Table – Division II

(up to and including Tuesday, 24th March, 1970)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Huddersfield Town	37	21	10	6	57	32	52
Blackpool	35	17	10	8	48	40	44
Sheffield United	36	19	5	12	64	33	43
<b>Swindon Town</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>43</b>
Middlesbrough	36	17	9	10	44	36	43
Cardiff City	36	16	10	10	55	37	42
Queen's Park Rangers	36	17	7	12	59	48	41
Leicester City	36	15	11	10	53	47	41
Blackburn Rovers	36	17	7	12	47	44	41
Millwall	37	13	13	11	49	49	39
Bristol City	37	13	11	13	48	41	37
Carlisle United	37	13	10	14	54	52	36
Hull City	37	13	8	16	59	60	34
Oxford United	36	11	12	13	31	35	34
Portsmouth	37	12	8	17	58	67	32
Norwich City	34	12	7	15	33	41	31
Birmingham City	37	10	11	16	47	62	31
Bolton Wanderers	37	10	9	18	50	59	29
Watford	35	9	10	16	38	45	28
Charlton Athletic	37	6	15	16	31	65	27
Preston North End	36	8	10	18	40	54	26
Aston Villa	36	5	12	19	30	59	22

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### First Section

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 I—West Ham United v. Liverpool  
 J—Birmingham City v. Preston N.E.  
 K—Blackburn Rovers v. Carlisle United  
 L—Blackpool v. Aston Villa  
 M—Cardiff City v. Oxford United  
 N—Charlton Athletic v. Leicester City  
 O—Hull City v. Middlesbrough  
 P—Norwich City v. Millwall  
 Q—Portsmouth v. Huddersfield Town  
 R—Queen's Park Rangers v. Bristol City  
 S—Sheffield United v. Bolton W.  
 T—Bournemouth & B.A. v. Bradford C.

### Second Section

A—Bristol Rovers v. Orient  
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 E—Southport v. Rotherham United  
 F—Stockport County v. Walsall  
 G—Aldershot v. Grimsby Town  
 H—Bradford v. Lincoln City  
 I—Colchester United v. Exeter City  
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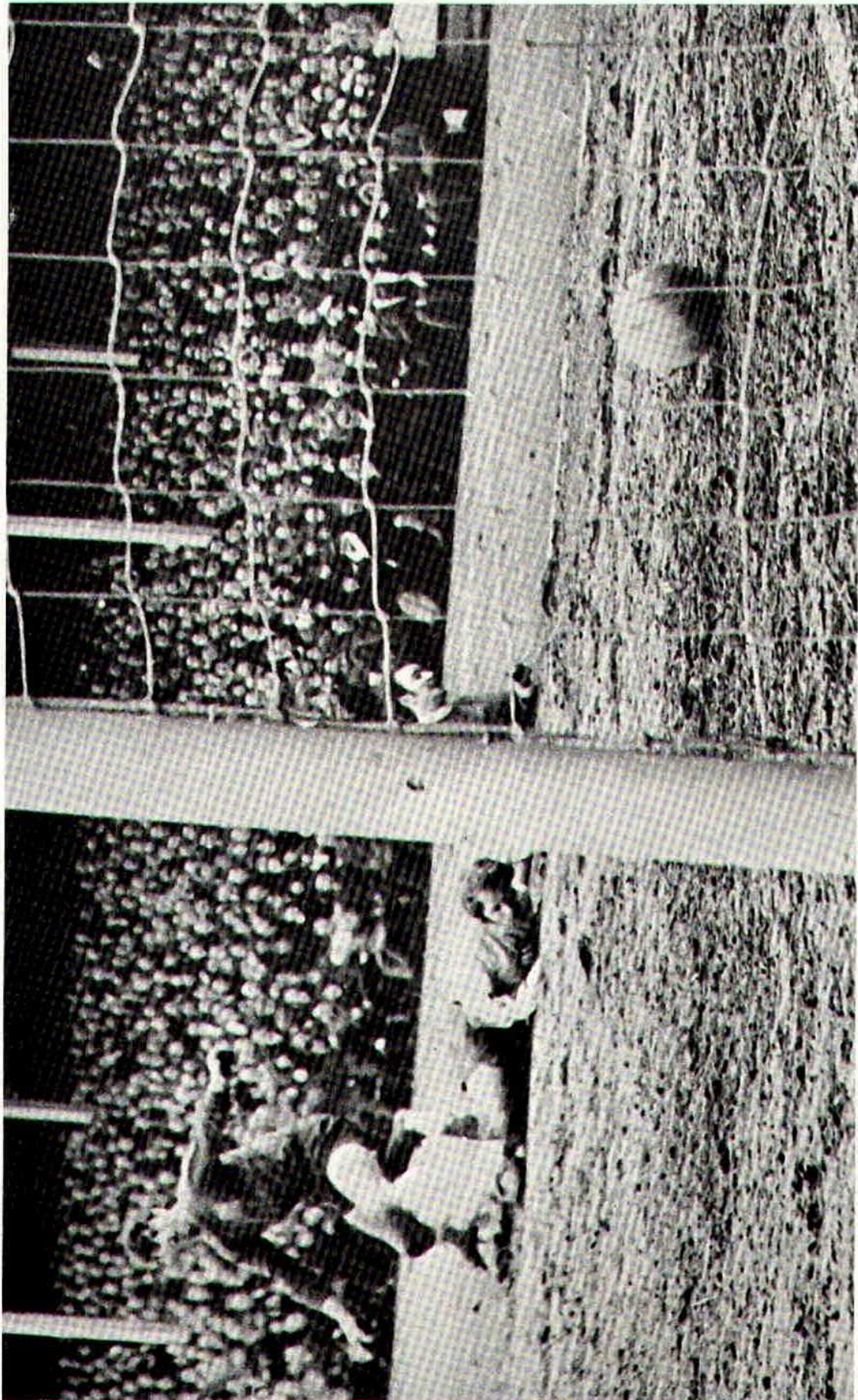


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Peter Noble scoring the vital goal against Preston North End at the County Ground.

# The man in the middle

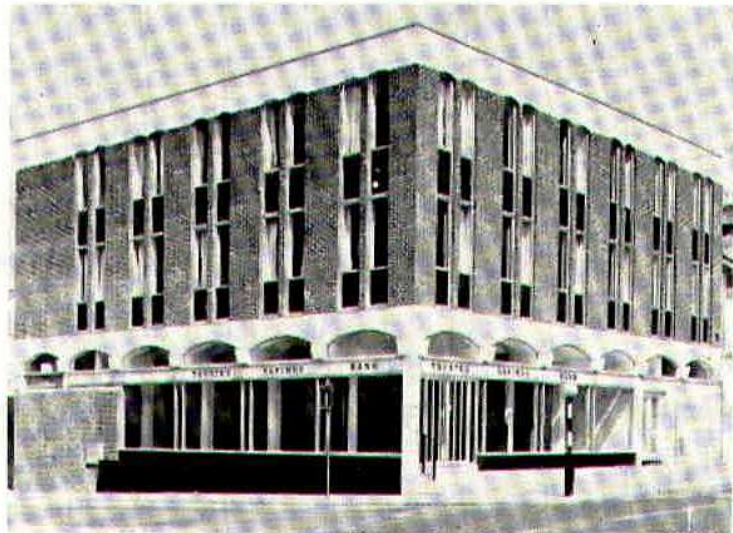


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## *Previous Matches*

### **DIVISION II**

**SATURDAY, 21st MARCH, 1970**

Drew with Bristol City (Away) 3—3.

Team: Downsborough; Thomas, Trollope; Butler, Burrows, Harland; Smith, Smart, Horsfield, Noble, Rogers.

Scorers: Horsfield (2), Wimshurst (o.g.).

Attendance: 24,905.

Referee: Mr. J. Hunting (Leicester).

### **FOOTBALL COMBINATION**

**WEDNESDAY, 18th MARCH, 1970**

Drew with Norwich City (Away) 2—2.

Team: Jones; Allen, Claypole; Handrick, Blick, Bailey; Moss, Hubbard, Down, Dangerfield, Porter.

Scorer: Porter (2).

Referee: Mr. N. Chamberlain (Mundesley).

### **HELLENIC LEAGUE**

**SATURDAY, 14th MARCH, 1970**

Drew with Newbury (Home) 1—1.

Team: Grzadkowski; Allen, Fry; Finch, Grubb, Dakin; Moffitt, Stroud, Hubbard, Woodfield, Marsh. Sub. Moss.

Scorer: Fry.

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## *Forthcoming Matches on This Ground*

**TUESDAY, 31st MARCH, 1970**

**Division II**

**SWINDON TOWN v. BIRMINGHAM CITY**

**Kick-off 7.30 p.m.**

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**THURSDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1970**

**Football Combination Cup**

**SWINDON TOWN v. CARDIFF CITY**

**Kick-off 7.30 p.m.**

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**SATURDAY, 4th APRIL, 1970**

**F.A. Challenge Trophy Competition**

**Semi-Final Tie**

**TELFORD UNITED v. CHELMSFORD CITY**

**Kick-off 3 p.m.**

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# F.A. DIARY

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# Football Combination

## Fixture List

### 1969

#### August

9	Southampton	(H)	2—2
16	Swansea Town	(A)	0—1
23	Queen's Park Rangers	(H)	1—4

#### September

4	Oxford United	(A)	2—0
6	Bristol City	(H)	1—2
17	Cardiff City	(A)	3—2
20	Arsenal	(H)	1—2
27	Luton Town	(A)	0—2

#### October

4	Reading	(H)	1—2
7	Bristol Rovers	(A)	P
11	Ipswich Town	(A)	1—0
21	Bristol City	(A)	2—7
25	Crystal Palace	(H)	1—0

#### November

8	Plymouth Argyle	(H)	3—1
15	Crystal Palace	(H)	1—2
22	Swansea Town	(A)	1—1
29	Tottenham Hotspur	(H)	1—4

#### December

8	Peterborough United	(A)	0—2
13	Leicester City	(H)	0—2
17	Plymouth Argyle	(A)	1—1
20	West Ham United	(A)	3—1
27	Swansea Town	(H)	0—2

### 1970

#### January

27	Arsenal	(A)	0—5
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#### February

3	Arsenal	(H)	0—4
10	Bristol Rovers	(H)	P
17	Walsall	(A)	P
24	Northampton	(A)	4—1

#### March

11	Crystal Palace	(A)	P
16	Birmingham City	(H)	0—4
18	Norwich City	(A)	2—2
21	Bristol Rovers	(A)	1—0
24	Chelsea	(H)	4—1
28	Walsall	(A)	.....

#### April

2	Cardiff City	(H)	.....
13	Crystal Palace	(A)	.....
20	Bristol Rovers	(H)	.....

Name	Appearances		Goalscorers	
	Foot. Comb.	Foot. Cup	Foot. Comb.	Foot. Cup

Price	1			
Dawson	10	5		
Fry	14	5		
Desmeules	10	4		
Blick	21	6		
Handrick	20	(1) 7	2	
Heath	6	2		
Penman	15	3	2	
Down	17	5	6	
Dangerfield	18	(1) 6	14	1
Moss	6	(1) 1		1
Bailey	16	(2) 6	1	
Grzadowski	3			
Hubbard	19	5		
Jones (R)	14	5		
Allen (K)	10	3		
Jones (C)	4	2		
Wetson	1	1		1
Claypole	15	3		
Porter	6	4	4	1
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Smith		1		1
Boyd		1		

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