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## NEWS & VIEWS

This afternoon we welcome once again more old friends from our previous days in Division 3.

Walsall come to the County Ground, with a splendid record this season. We congratulate them most heartily on their magnificent cup run. They have always had a great reputation in cup-ties, but this season must be the best ever. Their league position is also very high, and but for their defeat last Saturday week, would probably have had more points than Swindon. As it is they are still in a challenging position for promotion - in sixth place with 37 points from 33 games. It is interesting to note their away record.

Won 2 Draw 6 Lost 7 Goals for 15  
Against 24

It will be a great match, as both teams play fast, open, attacking football. Earlier in the season we were defeated 0 - 2 in a mid-week game at Fellow Park.

The two clubs last met in Season 1968-69. The home game was played on Saturday 14th September 1968. Although so early in the season, the whole match was played in torrential rain, and the ground became almost waterlogged. Result a win for Swindon by 1 goal to nil: Peter Noble scored in the ninth minute. The return

game played on 22nd April 1969 (well after the League Cup Final) produced a victory for Swindon by two goals to nil.

At the end of the season Swindon gained promotion to Division 2 with the following record.

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos.
46	27	10	9	71	35	64	2

Walsall finished well up in the table.

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos.
46	14	16	16	50	49	44	13

The goals for were rather low, but this seems to have rectified, as to date Walsall has scored 48 goals (33 at home) in 32 matches, and Swindon 45 (27 at home) also in 32 matches.

We in Swindon have always had a soft spot for the Midland Club. Probably because we remember the admiration we had for them when for so long they struggled on, season after season, either seeking re-election or being near the foot of the table. Yet they were always so cheerful, such fine sportsmen; and most hospitable. It is always a pleasure to visit Walsall.

Today of course they are on the crest of the wave, and enjoying a fine season. We

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# TREMENDOUS SEASON FOR WALSALL

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by Tony Pullein

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What a tremendous season this has been for Walsall! In addition to their fabulous performances in the F.A. Cup — when they beat both Manchester United and Newcastle in equalling a club record by getting to round five — they now have a very good chance of gaining promotion to the Second Division.

The disappointment of being knocked out of the F.A. Cup at Birmingham was quickly forgotten as — with a run of only one defeat in 11 League games behind them — the Saddlers now hot up their promotion challenge.

Manager Doug Fraser has been fortunate in having kept fairly clear of injuries so the team has developed quite a familiar look.

The strikers will most probably be Bernie Wright, Alan Buckley and George Andrews.

Wright made a rapid rise to first-team status with Walsall, scoring on his League debut against Port Vale in 1971. Everton signed him for £30,000 before the end of his first season but he didn't get a lot of joy out of his stay at Goodison so he decided to rejoin Walsall.

Buckley, top scorer with 24 goals last season, will always remember the first round of last season's League Cup competition for he hit a hat-trick against Shrewsbury in only his second game for the Saddlers. He was on loan from Nottingham Forest at the time and Walsall later paid £18,000 to complete his transfer. Now he is the Third Division's top scorer with 24.

Andrews opened his League career with Cardiff in 1965/66 but the following season he moved on to Southport where

he was top scorer in 1968/69, Shrewsbury signed him in 1969 and for three years — until signing for Walsall two seasons ago — he was always one of their top scorers. George hit the goal which knocked Newcastle out of the Cup this season.

Brian Taylor, David Sloan, Nick Atthey and Alan Birch are among the contenders for a midfield position.

Taylor failed to make the League grade with three clubs but has now been a Walsall first-teamer for three years. Brian began with Coventry and had fruitless loan spells with Oxford and Northampton before transferring to Walsall.

Sloan, a Northern Ireland international, was signed from Oxford last summer. Scunthorpe set him on the road to the international scene, then Oxford signed him close to the end of 1967/68.

Atthey and Birch are both local discoveries. Atthey has been a first-teamer for over a decade, Birch coming in two years ago.

The back four has been lining up with John Saunders, Dave Robinson, Stan Bennett and Colin Harrison on duty.

Saunders began with Newport and joined Leeds in 1971. He didn't get into their first-team so he moved on to Walsall last season. Bennett has been a member of Walsall's first-team squad for almost 11 years. Robinson spent four years as a Birmingham first-teamer, joining Walsall two seasons ago.

Harrison has been a Walsall professional since 1963 and made his League debut in 1964/65. He has been ever-present for two of the past three seasons.



Another possibility in defence is Roger Fry who developed in Southampton's junior teams and in 1971/72 held down the first-team job for most of the season. But he lost his place the following season and transferred to Walsall last summer.

Goalkeeper Mick Kearns is a Republic of Ireland international who joined the club from Oxford last season. He has also played on loan with Plymouth and Charlton.

Walsall's Cup successes this season provided no new experience for manager Doug Fraser. He is well versed in Cup glory, of course, having appeared in four finals for West Bromwich Albion. He picked up a League Cup winners' medal in 1966 and was a member of their triumphant F.A. Cup team two years later. He was also on the losing side in the 1966 and 1970 League Cup finals.

He began his professional career with Aberdeen, making his League debut in 1960. Three years later he was transferred to W.B.A. for £25,000 and while at The Hawthorns he was capped twice by Scotland.

In January 1971 he was sold to Nottingham Forest for £35,000 and he remained in their first-team until 1973 when he was released on an £8,000 transfer to join Walsall. When Ronnie Allen left last season, to facilitate the club's economy drive, he became player-manager. How he has given up his playing duties to concentrate upon managing full-time.

The Walsall club was founded as Walsall Town Swifts in 1868 and elected to Division II in 1892. Since then they have had to apply for re-election ten times and have been thrown out of the competition twice — in 1895 and 1901. Their seven applications while in Division III is a record that can never be beaten and it included a run of four consecutive pleas for mercy between 1952 and 1955, a record later beaten by Hartlepool's five applications in Division IV.

Walsall's most recent spell in Division II ended tragically on May 24, 1963, after

two seasons. They needed only to draw their last game at home to Charlton, who were two points below them, to stay up. Ironically, only three days earlier they were drawing 0-0 at home to Charlton when the match was abandoned at half-time because of a waterlogged pitch.

Walsall, of course, pulled off one of the most incredible results of all times 42 years ago when Arsenal, then on the point of winning the first of their hat-trick of League Championships, went to Fellows Park and were soundly beaten 2-0 by this little club from the Northern Section of the Third Division.

Yet this season's double wins over Manchester United and Newcastle are in many ways even more commendable than that once-off effort all those years ago.

## The man in the middle



**TED JOLLY (Manchester).** Started refereeing in the Middleton Youth League and made his way on to The League list via Manchester and Lancashire Leagues. Was a linesman for the 1972 League Cup Final (Chelsea v. Stoke City) and has refereed in Italy. Married with two children, he works as an insurance agent and is a referee instructor for the Manchester County F. A.





## WALSALL

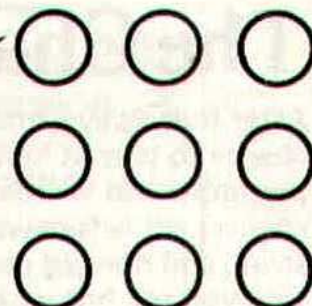
Standing L - R. Mr. R. Davies (physiotherapist), David Sloan, Colin Harrison, Stan Bennet, Mick Kearns, Bernie Wright, Roger Fry, Brian Caswell, Alan Birch, Doug Fraser.

Seated L - R. Alan Buckley, John Saunders, Nick Atthey, David Robinson, Brian Taylor, George Andrews.



# Third Division Scene

by Tony Pullein



## Top clubs stop killing each other

As the promotion race reaches its climax, the tension could, in fact, ease somewhat. For most of the leaders have now played each other and it is now a question of meeting the outsiders and no-hopers.

Blackburn have played each of the four clubs below them twice and, apart from Preston (who have to face Charlton, Palace and Plymouth) the others have only one key match left.

Palace have come out of the critical game far better than any of their rivals. A summary of games between the present top five shows:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
C. Palace	6	4	2	1	9	7	11
Blackburn	8	3	2	3	14	9	8
Plymouth	7	2	2	3	10	12	6
Charlton	7	2	1	4	6	11	5
Preston	5	2	1	2	3	7	5

The closeness of the situation at the top has certainly boosted attendances. Apart from Preston, the other challengers have all been drawing crowds of between 15,000 and 20,000 regularly.

At the other end of the table hope is steadily disappearing for Bournemouth and Huddersfield. Bournemouth's 2-0 home defeat by Colchester was their fifth game without a win or a goal. Huddersfield went down at Watford — their third defeat in a row — and now seem certain to equal Northampton's record-breaking drop from the First to the Fourth Division in five years.

Bournemouth manager John Benson was busy last weekend trying to sign a new striker to end the club's goals famine. He was trying to persuade John Rudge, the Bristol Rovers and former Huddersfield, Carlisle and Torquay player, to join them.

Leading scorers last weekend were:

	League	Cup	FA Cup	Total
Buckley (Walsall)	18	1	5	24
Eastoe (Swindon)	18	-	5	23
McNeil (Hereford)	22	1	-	23
Holden (Preston)	16	1	5	22
Rafferty (Plymouth)	18	-	4	22
Moss (Chesterfield)	18	-	3	21
Lewis (Grimsby)	17	-	1	18
Duffey (Bury)	10	2	5	17
(includes 4 for Chester)				
Martin (Blackburn)	13	2	2	17
Svarc (Colchester)	16	1	-	17
Richardson (Gillingham)	15	1	-	16

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# The Chairmans Column

After four away games we welcome the chance to play at home today. The pessimists had written our promotion chances off before we had even played them, and now, of course, are saying 'I told you so', but we have different thoughts at the County Ground. Our lads have the ability, and I feel that it will be the Easter programme that will point the way to the lucky three at the top.

It has been brought to my attention that we have several good samaritans who live in the Shrivenham Road area. These good people have allowed our country supporters to run their cars into their drive ways on match days, and who says that kindness and thoughtfulness is lacking today. On behalf of these supporters we say thank you.

I received a letter from a gentleman who lives in Huddersfield and he enclosed a black edged card which was sold on the occasion of a cup tie played in 1912 against Notts. County when we defeated them. It will be remembered by our older followers that these black edged cards were printed in advance for the losers.

I also received a very interesting letter from Mr. King who lives near Stroud. Mr. King has kept a record of every game that our John Trollope has played since being with the Club. I am sure that this record is unique in as much as John has played against every club in the four divisions with only the exceptions of Wolves, Tottenham, Rochdale and Cambridge. The programme would not have enough pages in it to record John's progress, and I have lent this record to Bob Spivey to use in the local paper. John's career is one that surely will encourage all young players that have the opportunity to join our ranks as John did. I am sure that John would be the first to agree that the opportunities that lads have today are even better than when he started.

Talking of young players, we have been very successful these last few weeks in

the Midland Youth League, and last week we visited Bristol City and won 3-2. This followed wins over Aston Villa and Nottingham Forest. With injuries plaguing our first team players, we have been unable to give the necessary support so essential to our young lads who play in the Football Combination. In several of these games against superior opposition we have battled gravely for three parts of the game only to succumb in the last ten minutes or so. This points to the lack of strength which we know will come later.

Graham Drew, our Commercial Manager, has agreed a new contract with us, after completing his first year. Graham and his staff have worked hard on our behalf over this past year, and we thank everybody who has supported us, and we sincerely hope that Graham and his staff will be as well supported in the future.

Our new competition The Moon Raker is proving very popular. This is I think, because one does not have to be involved in tickets each week, although the first three main prizes are very lucrative, and all prize winners are notified after each weeks draw.

Our Discount Scheme is progressing, and the number of shops giving discount are increasing. It was interesting to see the Daily Express setting up a similar scheme around the country and to see that the membership fee was almost three times our amount, and also that only a very few shops were offered.

A visitor to our ground this last week was no stranger to us, being Sam Burton, and I am sure that Sam recalled many pleasant memories especially when he talked with Maurice Owen. Sam remarked on our fine facilities, and in fact he travelled with us to Bristol with the Youth Team, and I am sure that he was impressed with Mike Lawrence our young goalkeeper.

Also visiting us was Mike Summerbee, but much as he would love to play for us again,

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I am afraid that Manchester City have other thoughts.

Congratulations to Peter Eastoe on being selected in the Division Three team chosen by the players themselves whom are members of the Professional Players Union. I expect many of you saw the presentations on Television Sunday evening when they held their annual dinner.

We hold our Club Dance on Wednesday evening at Blunsdon House Hotel, but these notes are being written before this event, and so, of course, I cannot comment except to say that we are expecting a good evening. Our players are attending with their wives and girl friends.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Colin and Kathie Prophett on the happy event of the birth of their daughter, Emma Jane. We wish them well. Colin celebrated with a broken nose at Blackburn, but it takes more than that to get Colin down.

Here's hoping for a good game today, and thank you for coming.

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Much has happened since my last article in the programme for the Peterborough match on December 12th. The team's long cup run ending in two very exciting matches against West Ham played havoc with the league fixture list. However, before getting down to the serious business of the third division may I be permitted to say how much I enjoyed the cup replay with West Ham at the County Ground. Next to me on the terraces was a West Ham supporter with a certain similarity to that well known B.B.C. West Ham supporter, Alf Garnet. His comments would have done Alf credit but most important he enjoyed an excellent cup-tie full of excitement and went home fully satisfied with the 1½ hours of football he had seen at Swindon. He and other Hammers supporters I overheard were surprised that we were in the third division and very favourably impressed with the ground. I agree with them. It was an excellent cup-tie even though we did not manage to win.

While on the subject of entertainment may I take this opportunity to explain the purpose of these articles. My pre-occupation with the statistics of performance and with forecasting is not intended to turn supporters into point watching fanatics more interested in the accumulation of points than the enjoyment of the football. As I have said above I can enjoy my football at the County Ground even when we lose although as a dedicated fan I naturally prefer a win. These articles are therefore intended to encourage fans to base their assessment of the teams performance on a number of matches when a realistic assessment can be made rather than to react to each individual result.

The previous article compared two groups of matches. We now add a third group including matches that have taken place since the last article. The three groups are therefore —

Group 1 contains the first 13 matches Bury (17th August to Halifax (12th October)

Group 2 contains the next 9 matches Wrexham (19th October) to Hereford (7th December)

Group 3 contains the latest 12 matches Peterborough (21 December) to Colchester (4th March)

Considering the home matches first, we have the following table:

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Total
Matches	7	5	5	17
Points	10	10	8	28
Goals for	11	11	5	27
Goals against	6	4	2	12

This summary of the performance at home still speaks clearly for itself with a consistent winning pattern maintained in the latest matches represented by group 3. However, it is worth noting that there has been a notable reduction both in goals scored for and against.

The same table summarising away matches includes the four consecutive away matches thrust upon us by the cancellation of matches for the cup-ties and for other more watery reasons.

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Total
Matches	6	4	7	17
Points	5	2	2	9
Goals for	9	4	5	18
Goals against	13	8	15	36

I hate to say it but the decline in away performance has not been reversed with only 2 points obtained from 7 away matches. The most notable feature is a further slight drop in the number of goals per match (5 out of 7 matches as against 4 from 4 matches in group 2).

It is not for me to look for reasons but it should be remembered that injury problems have certainly been particularly



acute during the latest period of matches included in group 3.

With the Town now one of four teams with 37 points what can be said about the future. Firstly, we now have a balanced sequence of matches with 6 homes and 6 aways. The home matches left are listed below with the position each team currently occupies in the league:

Team	League Position
Walsall	6
Palace	5
Charlton	2
Huddersfield	24
Halifax	18
Port Vale	8

With four of these six matches against possible promotion contenders we have a tough sequence. However with our home record we have no reason to fear any team and we therefore have four potential '4 point' matches. This is if we win these matches other promotion possibles lose. Thus an exciting set of matches remain to be seen at the County Ground.

The away fixtures are similarly listed.

Team	League Position
Watford	16
Bury	15
Peterborough	12
Bournemouth	23
Southend	13
Wrexham	14

Thus if we are promotion challengers these should not be a difficult set of away matches and the number of points we pick up from these will decide our

promotion or not. The most difficult of these matches is that at Peterborough who, because of their cup run have many games in hand and are in a false position in 12th place.

Well — the forecast! As must be expected it has gone down. The forecast for the 6 remaining home matches is 8.7 points. That is on our form so far we can expect 8 or 9 (more likely 9) points. From the remaining 6 away matches the forecast is 3.7 points. That is we can expect 3 or 4 points (more likely 4). Thus adding these together we can expect 12 or 13 points from the remaining 12 matches making an end of season total of 49 or 50. It is clear that if promotion is to be won this season the extra points we will need must come from the away matches. Promotion is not yet lost although time for the necessary improved away form is fast running out. It should be added however that there are very few teams in the third division with good away records with Blackburn and Peterborough being the best. Thus with 4 other promotion possibles still to visit the County Ground promotion is still possible.

In the next programme I hope to report the results of applying my forecast method to the other teams near the top of the division and I expect this to show just how close the final stages will be. It will also give some guide as to the number of points that will be needed for promotion.



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DATE 1974	OPPONENTS	RESULT	
		F	A
Aug. 17	Bury	H 0	2
20	League Cup 1		
	Portsmouth	H 0	1
24	Port Vale	A 2	2
31	Blackburn Rovers	H 2	0
Sept. 3	Tranmere Rovers	H 0	0
7	Crystal Palace	A 2	6
14	Plymouth Argyle	H 2	0
17	Aldershot	H 3	2
21	Charlton Athletic	A 3	3
24	Walsall	A 0	2
28	Watford	H 2	2
Oct. 5	Chesterfield	A 2	0
	Southend United	H 2	0
12	Halifax Town	A 0	0
19	Wrexham	H 2	1
21	Tranmere Rovers	A 0	3
26	Huddersfield Town	A 2	2
Nov. 2	Grimsby Town	H 3	2
5	Chesterfield	H 1	0
9	Brighton & Hove Albion	A 1	1
16	Gillingham	H 1	0
23	Reading F.A. Cup	H 4	0
30	Colchester United	H 4	1
Dec 4	League Cup 5		
7	Hereford United	A 1	2
14	F.A. Cup 2 Maidstone	H 3	1
21	Peterborough United	H 0	1
26	Plymouth Argyle	A 3	4
28	AFC Bournemouth	H 2	1
1975 Jan. 4	F.A. Cup 3 Lincoln	H 2	0
11	Hereford United	H 1	0
18	Colchester United	A 0	3 (A)
F.A. Cup 25 4	West Ham United	A 1	1
28 Replay	West Ham United	H 1	2
Feb. 1	Brighton & Hove A.	H 1	0
8	Grimsby Town	A 0	2
12	Aldershot	A 1	0
15	Preston North End	H 1	0
18	Preston North End	A 0	2
22	Gillingham	A 1	3
Mar. 1	Blackburn Rovers	A 0	2
4	Colchester United	A 0	2
8	Walsall (6)	H	
15	Watford	A	
18	Bury	A	
22	Crystal Palace	H	
28			
29	Peterborough United	A	
31	AFC Bournemouth	A	
Apr. 1	Charlton Athletic	H	
5	Huddersfield Town (SF)	H	

		RESULT	
		F	A
11	Southend United	A	
19	Halifax Town	H	
22	Port Vale	H	
26	Wrexham	A	
May 3	F.A. Cup Final		

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION

DATE 1974	OPPONENTS	RESULT	
		F	A
Aug. 17	Ipswich Town	A 0	5
20	Bristol Rovers	A	Postponed
24	Oxford United	H 0	4
27	Bristol Rovers	H 0	1
31	Arsenal	A 0	1
Sept. 7	Q.P.R.	H 0	3
14	West Ham United	A 0	5
18	Oxford United	A 0	1
21	Crystal Palace	H 0	3
28	Bournemouth	A 2	2
12	Cardiff City	H 1	0
19	Chelsea	A 0	4
Nov. 2	Bristol City	A 0	1
9	Tottenham Hotspur	H 0	2
16	Luton Town	A 1	3
23(1)	Norwich City	H	Postponed
30	Birmingham City	A 2	2
Dec. 7	Leicester City	H 1	2
17	Fulham	A 0	2
1975 4 (3)			
11	Leicester City	A 1	1
18	Birmingham City	H	postponed
28	Plymouth Argyle	H	Postponed
Feb. 1	Tottenham Hotspur	A 0	1
4	West Ham United	H	Postponed
8	Luton Town	H 1	3
12	Reading	A 0	2
15(5)	Norwich City	A 0	2
22	Bristol City	H 1	1
25	Crystal Palace	A 0	3
Mar. 1	Arsenal	H 1	3
4	Plymouth Argyle	A 0	5
8	Q.P.R.	A	
11	Southampton	H	
15	Fulham	H	
18	Ipswich Town	H	
25	Southampton	A	
29	Bournemouth	H	
Apr. 8	Cardiff City	A	
12	Reading	H	
15	Plymouth Argyle	H	
26	Chelsea	H	



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## FOR THE RECORD

### DIVISION III 12th February

#### ALDERSHOT 0

Johnson, Walden, Walker, Crosby, Dean,  
Richardson, Walton, Howarth, Morrissey,  
Sainty, Brodie, Brown (s).

#### SWINDON TOWN 1 (Eastoe)

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Stroud, Burrows,  
Prophett, Moss, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler,  
Anderson, Syrett (s).

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION 12th February

#### READING 2

#### SWINDON TOWN 0

Allan, Gill, Tanner, Young, Thompson, Broom,  
Chalklin, McGovern, Farr, Maclean, Gardner,  
Brinkworth (s).

### DIVISION III 15th February

#### SWINDON TOWN 1 (Eastoe)

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Stroud, Burrows,  
Prophett, Moss, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler,  
Anderson, Jenkins (s).

#### PRESTON NORTH END 0

Tunks, McMahon, Burns, Stiles, Bird, Sadler,  
Spark, Morley, Elwiss, Holden, Charlton,  
Coleman (s).

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION 15th February

#### NORWICH CITY 2

#### SWINDON TOWN 0

Allan, Chalklin, Tanner, Young, Broom, Pooley,  
Gill, Thompson, Farr, Syrett, Gardner, Algar (s)

### DIVISION III 18th February

#### PRESTON NORTH END 2

Tunks, McMahon, Burns, Stiles, Bird, Spark,  
Coleman, Morley, Elwiss, Holden, Charlton,  
Doyle (s).

#### SWINDON TOWN 0

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, McLaughlin, Stroud,  
Prophett, Jenkins, Syrett, Eastoe, Butler,  
Anderson.

### DIVISION III 22nd February

#### GILLINGHAM 3

Hillyard, Wiltshire, Ley, Garvin, Shipperley,  
Tydeman, Jacks, Gauden, Richardson, Chadwick,  
Yeo, O'Donnell (s).

#### SWINDON TOWN 1 (Trollope)

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, McGovern, Stroud,  
Prophett, Syrett, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler,  
Anderson, Maclean (s).

## FOOTBALL COMBINATION

#### SWINDON TOWN 1 (Gilligan)

Allan, Chalklin, Tanner, Broom, Thompson,  
Young, Gill, Gilligan, Slattery, Pooley, Gardner,  
Farr (s).

#### BRISTOL CITY 1

### MIDLAND YOUTH 24th February

#### BRISTOL CITY 2

#### SWINDON TOWN 3 (Farr, Gilligan 2)

Lawrence, Hooman, Tanner, Andrews, Thomp-  
son, Chalklin, Gilligan J.A., Gilligan J., Farr,  
Algar, Gardner, Brinkworth (s).

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION 25th February

#### CRYSTAL PALACE 3

#### SWINDON TOWN 0

Allan, Chalklin, Tanner, Young, Broom,  
Gilligan, Gill, Syrett, Farr, Maclean, Pooley,  
Thompson (s).

### DIVISION III 1st March

#### BLACKBURN ROVERS 2

Jones, Heaton, Burgin, Metcalf, Hawkins,  
Fazakerley, Beamish, Owles, Hickman, Parker,  
Martin, Endean (s)

#### SWINDON TOWN 0

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Stroud, Burrows,  
Prophett, Jenkins, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler,  
Anderson, McGovern (s).

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1st March

#### SWINDON TOWN 1 (Broom)

Allan, Chalklin, Tanner, Young, Thompson,  
Broom, Gill, Gilligan, Farr, Pooley, Slattery,  
Algar (s).

#### ARSENAL 3

### DIVISION III 4th March

#### COLCHESTER UNITED 2

Walker, Cameron, Cook, Bunkell, Harford,  
Smith, McDonald, Svarc, Froggatt, Lindsay (s).

#### SWINDON TOWN 0

Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Jenkins, Stroud,  
Prophett, Moss, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler,  
Anderson, Syrett (s).

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION

#### PLYMOUTH ARGYLE 5

#### SWINDON TOWN 0

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Young, Gill, Gilligan, Farr, Hubbard, Gardner,  
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# Key of the board

Saturday March 8th 1975

A	Brighton v Charlton
B	Colchester v Bury
C	Gillingham v Watford
D	Grimsby v Bournemouth
E	Halifax v Peterborough
F	Hereford v Plymouth
G	Huddersfield v Port Vale
H	Preston N.E. v Crystal Palace
I	Southend v Blackburn
J	Wrexham v Aldershot
K	Arsenal v West Ham United
L	Birmingham v Middlesbrough
M	Carlisle v Fulham
N	Ipswich v Leeds
O	Burnley v Liverpool
P	Chelsea v Derby
Q	Everton v Q.P. Rangers
R	Leicester v Manchester City
S	Luton v Coventry
T	Sheffield Utd v Wolverhampton

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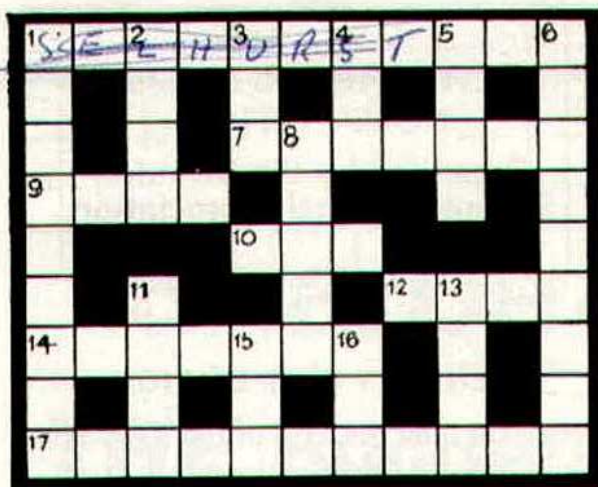
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# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Compiled by David Peck

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## CLUES – Across

1. Non-leaguers who played (and lost) their 'home' F.A. Cup Tie at 1 down (11)
7. Famous post-war England inside forward (7)
9. Former Leeds and Northern Ireland star (4)
10. He scored a post-war season record 52 goals in Peterborough's first year in the League (3)
12. Use the ball constructively (4)
14. Italy Division One newcomers this season (7)
17. One of Bingham's boys (5,6)

## CLUES – Down

1. See 1 across (9)
2. Salonika side (4)
3. Striker in his fourth spell with a Bradford club (3)
4. First name of Cambridge Chief (3)
5. - - - Probert (Notts. County) (4)
6. . . . his former team-mate now with Q.P.R. (3,6)
8. Orient long-server (5)
11. Haiti star Ernst Jean Joseph was thrown out of the World Cup for alleged - - - offences (4)
13. - - - MacLeod manages 15 down (4)
15. See 13 down (3)
16. Allan Clarke wrote a book called "Goals - - - - - My Business" (3)

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## Solutions for West Ham Programme

### SOLUTIONS – Across

1. Wall 3. Strong 7. Golesworthy 9. Iron  
11. Sash 14. Tom Johnston 16. Daniel  
17. Eddy (Sheff. U.)

### SOLUTIONS – Down

1. wage 2. Lol 4. Thomson 5. Oates 6. Geys  
8. San Jose 10. Ramon 12. stud 13. Andy  
15. Ted (Hemsley) (Worcs. CCC)

## Solutions for Brighton Programme

### SOLUTIONS – Across

3. Jordan (Leed U.) 6. Kubala 7. Irvine 8. Rome  
9. Lazio 14. Hall (Liverpool) 15. eleven  
16. Harris (Chelsea) 17. Dinamo

### SOLUTIONS – Down

1. Tudor 2. Panel 3. Jairzinho 4. Doig  
5. Noel (Cantwell) (Peterborough) 10. O'Hare  
11. Blair (Oldham) 12. Read 13. Keen (Watford)



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J. Barron	32		1	5					
J. McLaughlin	27 (2 sub)	2	1	5					
N. Trollope	34	2	1	5					
T. Hubbard	24	1	1	3		1			
R. Potter	12 (1 sub)		1						
D. Munks	3 (2 sub)		1			11			
D. Moss	28 (2 sub)	10	1	5	2				
D. Syrett	16 (7 sub)	3		(2 sub)		7	2		
P. Eastoe	34	18	1	5	5				
H. Maclean	16 (3 sub)	1	1			6			
T. Jenkins	18 (3 sub)	1	1	2 (3 sub)		4			
W. Dixon	29 (3 sub)	1	1	5		2			
F. Burrows	20 (3 sub)	2	(1 sub)	5		5			
J. Butler	25 (2 sub)	2		5		1			
C. Prophett	29 (1 sub)			5	1	1			
J. Allan	2					16			
J. Anderson	16 (1 sub)	1		5	2				
		1 o.g.			1 o.g.				
G. Chalklin						22	1	13	1
K. Tanner						26		16	
G. Broom						17	1		
A. Young						21			
M. Thompson						12 (4 sub)		16	2
K. Gill						25	1		
I. Farr						22 (3 sub)	4	16	9
M. McGovern	1 (1 sub)					16	2		
N. Algar						4 (5 sub)		13(3 sub)	3
T. Brinkworth						2 (4 sub)		12(2 sub)	
N. Berry						5			
M. Hooman						1 (1 sub)		14	
J. Fisher						1		4(3 sub)	
J. Way						1		2	
N. Cowley						1 (1 sub)		8(1 sub)	
K. Styles						3			
J. Gilligan						17 (2 sub)	2	15	4
S. Slattery						7 (3 sub)			
B. Parry						3			
C. Gardner						13 (3 sub)		15	6
M. Elias						2			
K. Stroud	10					4			
M. Lawrence						2		12	
A. Hayduck								2	
G. Goodwin								1	
K. Kendall								1	
A. Sloman								1	
B. Thompson								1	
J. Gough								1	2
R. White								1	
T. Young								1	
G. Harvey								1	
K. Langley								1	
R. Brinkworth								2(4 sub)	1
A. Ashman								1	
S. Price								1	
T. Pooley						3			
J.A. Gilligan								2(1 sub)	
R. Andrews								2	
A. Taynton								1	
K. Edwards								1	





Peter Eastoe scoring the only goal in the match against Preston.

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# SWINDON TOWN v WALSALL

SATURDAY 8th MARCH 1975

K.O. 3 p.m.

## SWINDON TOWN

1. Barron
2. Dixon
3. Trollope
4. Jenkins
5. Burrows
6. Prophett
7. Moss
8. Butler
9. Eastoe
10. MacLean
11. Anderson
12. Stoud

Division  
Three

## WALSALL

1. Kearns
2. Fry
3. Harrison
4. Robinson
5. Bennett
6. Atthey
7. Taylor
8. Andrews
9. Wright
10. Buckley
11. Birch

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