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# The Hornets Nest

### An Important Week for Hornets

This afternoon, we welcome to Vicarage Road the Directors. Officials, Players and Supporters of Swindon Town, Their visit here brings home to us very forcibly the ups and downs of football, because it is generally reckoned that our performance at the County Ground last September was one of our best, if not our very best, displays of the season. We drew 2-2, with our visitors today twice equalising, the second coming from a harsh penalty decision. Our goals were scored by Ross Jenkins and Pat Morrissey, one in each half.

Since that September afternoon, the Town have stayed
amongst the Division Leaders,
but a bad run of injuries of
late has cost them dear, although they bounced back to
form last Saturday with a fine
3—0 win over ambitious Walsall. They have everything to
play for at the right end of the

League Table, whilst we find ourselves now in a difficult and unhappy position at the other end.

The reason for our recent sad decline is a lack of goals, which in itself has produced a lack of confidence in the whole team. Players who earlier in the season were playing well are now struggling to regain their form and confidence at a time when the pressure is building up and the side have a number of youngsters playing, due, largely, to our constant stream of injuries.

The sale of Billy Jennings has often been quoted for our lack of scoring power, but it must be remembered that we were scoring goals (without him) until October, due in the main to Ross Jenkins. The injuries to David Butler (how badly he has been missed), Stewart Scullion and Bobby Downes destroyed the rhythm and we have rarely been able to field an unchanged team since that time.

The need for a striker has long been apparent, and Alan Mayes was signed, but for the future. Recently, Ross Jenkins has been unavailable due to injury, and the need for a striker has been even more urgent. Let it be said that Manager Mike Keen is and has been more aware of this than anybody and has been trying very hard to obtain the services of several players he would like.

The Board, Manager and Players realise the position in which we find ourselves today, and the two home games today and next Wednesday are vital for the future of this Club. Give the lads the support they need and deserve from the Stands and Terraces!!

The one bright spot of an otherwise disappointing four months has been the emergence of the young players like Keith Mercer, Jimmy Walsh and Trevor How, who has now signed as a full professional with the Club. With four or five more points in the bag, these youngsters could have been blooded without the pressure inevitably on them now. They have done well and we are proud of them all.

At the time of writing, the news of David Butler and Walter Lees is more encouraging and, barring accidents, they could be available for selection today. In the remaining 12 matches, we need all the players we have got and everything they have to give.

Finally, our congratulations go to Alan Garner, who scored his first goal for us at Gillingham last week. His header from Mike Keen's free-kick was reminiscent of Tommy Lawton at his best! Well done, Alan, we could do with a few more, please.

Lastly, our thoughts go out to neighbours Fulham, who have reached the F.A. Cup semi-final, the first London Second Division Club to do so since ourselves. Well done, Fulham—we'd love to see you at Wembley!! Our own semi-final, incidentally, was on 14th March 1970, five years ago yesterday—how times have changed—let's change them back again!!!

GIVE THE LADS SUPPORT TODAY



Bobby Downes hits the side netting against Port Vale

### **MEMORY CORNER**

March 12th 1962

COVENTRY CITY (0) 1 WATFORD (0) 0

Jimmy Hill, the Coventry City Manager, took the opportunity of using this match between two middle of the table teams to try one or two experiments with an eye to his promotion drive for next season.

The match itself had little to commend it, the only goal of the game being scored eight minutes from the end by Roy Dwight, who powered a fine header past Derek Underwood, in only his second game for the Club after his transfer from Nottingham Forest.

Another feature of this game was the appearance for Watford of Amateur Roger Day, the same Roger Day who 13 years later has been playing such a prominent part in Wimbledon's Cup exploits.

Watford were unlucky in this game losing Vince McNiece with a twisted ankle, but Andy Porter took over at centre-half and did a sterling job.

Watford team: D. Underwood, R. Bell, K. Nicholas, G. Catleugh, V. McNiece, T. Gregory, A. Porter, T. Harmer, S. Chung, R. Day, R. Brown,

11 days later, in the return fixture, the same Roy Dwight (related to one of our present Directors) did it again in a 1—0 repeat score.

March 12th 1966

WATFORD (1) 1

GILLINGHAM (0) 0

In a desperate search for goal power, Manager Ken Furphy decided to experiment and played skipper Alan Williams, normally a centre-half, at centreforward in this match.

Most people reckoned the gamble paid off with Alan getting the only goal of a very dull and boring game in the 26th minute, when he headed home a Ken Furphy free-kick.

Apart from the goal and a shot that hit the post, two efforts by Dennis Bond were the only other shots on target in the whole 90 minutes.

The lively ball, hard ground and gusting wind contributed to the tedious nature of this game, which was under the control of famous referee, Jim Finney, now, of course, on the staff of Hereford United.

The Alan Williams experiment continued for another six games and he finished up with four goals.

Watford team: R. Slater, K. Furphy, J. Williams, D. Welbourne, B. Garvey, W. Houghton, S. Scullion, D. Bond, A. Williams, J. McAnearney, R. Hugo.

# SWINDON TOWN

by

### **GEOFF ALLMAN**

At various times this season Swindon Town have looked strong candidates for an immediate return to Division II, which they left at the end of last season, but their away form has consistently pulled them back and they have recently lost four away games in the space of eight days to leave them waiting hopefully for the Blackburns, Plymouths and Charltons of this world to suffer a sudden lapse of form.

Only Plymouth and Blackburn, however, have better home records and Swindon have in the last few weeks won five home games in a row, keeping a clean defensive sheet in the last four.

#### FLUCTUATION

After unbroken membership of Division III from its foundation until 1963, Swindon began a series of ups and downs, which has seen them twice promoted (in 1963 and 1969) and twice relegated. The highwater mark of their history was, of course, their sensational League Cup win in 1969 and we shall probably be seeing the two surviving members of that team, JOHN TROLLOPE and JOE BUTLER, here today.

Another link is that DANNY WILLIAMS, their Manager in that record-breaking season, is now in his second spell with the club and he has currently at his disposal the best Swindon team since those days of MIKE SUMMERBEE, ERNIE HUNT, DON ROGERS and PETER NOBLE.

#### GOAL SCORERS

Amongst their prime assets at the moment are PETER EASTOE, signed last season after a spell on loan from Wolves and who has now passed the 20-goal mark and DAVID MOSS, who has given good support

### Watford FC welcomes the Players, Officials and Supporters of our Visitors

Back Row L to R: D. MUNKS, R. POTTER, D. McGOVERN, J. BARRON, J. ALLEN, F. BURROWS, T. JENKINS, R. CLARKE.

Middle Row L to R: N. TROLLOPE, D. MOSS, P. EASTOE, D. SYRETT, D. HUBBARD, H. MACLEAN.

Front Row L to R: J. McLAUGHLIN, W. DIXON, K. STROUD, J. BUTLER.

from the right flank and is well into double figures at this stage. His outstanding performance so far was a hat-trick against Colchester in November. The third front runner today will probably be TREVOR ANDERSON, a Northern Ireland international, who came from Manchester United in November.

Midfielders JOHN McLAUGH-LIN (from Colchester a year ago) and COLIN PROPHETT (new this season after extensive experience with Sheffield Wednesday and Norwich) both netted against Walsall last week and they are likely to team up again today with HUGH Mc-LEAN, who cost around £15,000 from W. B. Albion during the summer.

In defence the strong man at the heart is FRANK BURROWS, a Scotsman by birth who arrived at Swindon via Scunthorpe in 1966 and he is currently lining up alongside local lad TERRY HUBBARD, who has this season won a regular place, with JOHN TROLLOPE still going strong on the left flank after 600 appearances and WILF DIXON now in his second season on the right after spells with Arsenal and



Reading.

JOE BUTLER, who has played in over 350 games since moving from his home-town club Newcastle in 1965 normally has a roving commission in a number 8 shirt nowadays, adding an extra dimension to the defence where need be. The lineup will probably be completed by TOM JENKINS, the former Reading and Southampton winger now playing in a deeper role with KEN STROUD, a local lad on the edge of the team for the second season running, the most likely occupant of the substitute's shirt.

### INFORMATION DESK

by Ron Rollitt

The first ever Five-a-Side Tournament organised by the South East Counties League proved to be very successful except from a financial point of view, which was the main object of the exercise. In the second round matches the results were:-

Gillingham 2 Charlton 4
Portsmouth 2 Millwall 1
Southend 3 Orient 0
Arsenal 2 Ipswich 4

In the semi-finals Charlton defeated Portsmouth by 6 goals to 1 and Southend beat Ipswich by 1 goal to 0, the match being decided on penalties and unfortunately Ipswich missed their first one, whereas Southend converted theirs. The two Third Division Clubs provided a stirring final and eventually Charlton ran out worthy winners by 3 goals to 1. The President's Trophy and Mementos were presented to the teams by Bill Nicholson and Frank McLintock.

We have another home match in the Football League next Wednesday when we meet Colchester at 7.30 p.m. The next match at Vicarage Road is the Charity Match on March 24th in aid of the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital at Stanmore. The kick-off is at 7.30 p.m. and programmes giving admis-

sion to the ground are available from the Supporters Club Shops priced 50p.

The match is between an Ex Spurs XI and included in their side are Tommy Harmer, Cliff Jones, Ron Henry, Terry Dyson and Les Allen and a Show Biz XI and they hope to include in their team such people as David Hamilton, Tony Booth, George Layton. Tibor Szakacs and Richard O'Sullivan, Roy Mc-Farland is to act as Referee. The work of the hospital is well known to most local people situated as it is at Stanmore. The main aim of the organisers, the Friends of the R.N.O.H., is to raise funds to provide a heated indoor swimming pool and Patients Centre building.

In the last programme I gave details of the Easter programme, but I would like to add that the game at Southend on Good Friday will commence at 3 p.m. as will the home game with Wrexham on Easter Saturday. Tickets are available from Southend at 80p each and their address is Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. The outstanding League game with Walsall has been arranged for Tuesday, April the 29th at Vicarage Road.

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F	Leeds Utd. v. Everton
G	Liverpool v. Sheffield Utd.
н	Middlesbrough v. Tottenham H
1	Q.P.R. v. Manchester City
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K	Wolves v. Chelsea
L	Aston Villa v. Southampton
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#### WATFORD——HALIFAN

M1 Follow signs "Dirmingham M1" (22 miles). Intersection (19) Follow signs "North, Leicester M1", Follow signs "Nottingham North M1". Intersection (32), continue "Sheffield, Leeds M1", Continue M1 "Leeds, Wakefield" (164 miles). East Ardsley Intersection (41), follow signs "Bradford A650". Tingley Intersection continue A650 Moreley on right, continue along Britania Road, Bruntcliffe, mile on, roundabout, take 2nd road, Drighlington turn left, A58, keep right, Hipperholme, continue along Halifax Road, Stump Cross turn left, (189 miles). On entering Halifax via New Bank, turn left via North Bridge and Northgate into Winding Road, then Church Street and South Parade to the Shay Ground.





## HALF TIME CHECK CALL



# THE THIRD SCENE

Most spectacular result in Division III last weekend was Plymouth's 5—1 win at Hereford to bring to an end the home side's run of 14 home games without defeat.

Argyle are making a habit of doing things in a big way this season for whilst they have lost only one away game out of the last nine that was by the margin of 5-2 to Blackburn three weeks ago and their last four away games have now brought an aggregate of 27 goals. Only bright spot for Hereford was that their consolation goal by DIXIE McNEIL took his season's tally to 24 and with Plymouth's RON RAFFERTY getting two these players are now both level with Walsall's ALAN BUCKLEY as the Division's leading scorers.

Apart from Plymouth the other four leading sides all drew, the most meritorious result amongst these being the point which Crystal Palace gained at Deepdale, ground of one of their rivals, to end Preston's run of four successive home wins.

Remarkably enough, now that Hereford's long unbeaten run has come to an end Halifax despite being in the bottom half of the table, have now played 13 home games without defeat since losing to Chesterfield in September.

Mention of Chesterfield reminds us that they have strong claim to be regarded as the most improved side in the league. They have now played five successive away games without defeat and have not lost a game of any kind since January, but such is the intensity of the struggle that they are still only five points ahead of the bottom teams.

Two wins in the space of four days raised Huddersfield's hopes of avoiding relegation last week as they beat both Southend and Port Vale.

This brought to an end a run of three defeats in their last four home games. An unusual feature of last week's games was that of Huddersfield's tally of seven altogether each was scored by a different player.

One happy player last week was Wrexham's DAVID SMALL-MAN, whose hat-trick against Aldershot was his first in the

# by GEOFF ALLMAN

league games, though he had scored twice on several previous occasions.

Ten wins in their last 11 home games is the record of Gillingham, who beat us 2—1 last week with Eire international DAMIEN RICHARDSON scoring his seventeenth goal of the season and defender DAVE GALVIN getting the other. After looking booked for an immediate return to Division IV they are now only just outside the promotion hunt.

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with more balance and ease than many of his taller opposites and the split seconds gained by this fact can catch Defences on the hop. The diagram below shows a typical Leeds-Bremner goal. From a free kick situation the opposing Defence prepares for Lorimer to have a shot at goal and the Keeper stays close to his line. The kick is taken quickly and Bremner starts his run in. The Defence is caught by the high floated ball and by the time they try to reorganise themselves Bremner has nodded the ball home past the stranded keeper. The Defenders appeal for offside but the timing of Bremner's run was such that it could not be.



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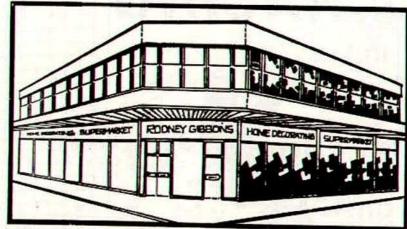
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from 2.00 to 2.50 and 4.45 to 5.15

Monday:

from 8.00 to 9.30

Wednesday:

from 6.45 to 7.20 and 9.15 to 9.45

Thursday:

from 8.00 to 9.30

In addition to our normal arrangements we have organised a special trip in connection with the match at Halifax and that being played on Merseyside next Sunday by the Travelling Hornets against Liverpool Supporters F.C. Full details are available today from the booking office.

### SOUTHEND

Details of arrangements made for the trip to Southend on Good Friday will be published in the programme for Wednesday night's match against Colchester United.

### TRAVELLING HORNETS F.C. vs LUTON BOBBERS F.C.

Tomorrow the Travelling Hornets play a derby match against the Luton Bobbers at Water Fields, Watford, kick-off 2.30. All supporters are welcome!

### VICTORY AT GILLINGHAM

The Travelling Hornets recorded their first victory of 1975 last Saturday when they won 3-0 at Gillingham in a match against the Gillingham F.C. Blues Supporters Association. Leading 2-0 at halftime through goals by Trimlett and Baker the Hornets made sure of victory early in the second half when Jim Reid scored with a fine solo effort.

### Fixtures for the remainder of March are:

Sun. 16th vs. Luton Bobbers Home Sun. 23rd vs. Liverpool Supporters F.C. Away Fri. 28th vs. Southend United Away Club Away Sun. 30th vs. Spurs Supporters Club Away

#### Goalscorers to date:

8 - C. Baker, 5 - M. Parrott, J. Reid, 3 - N. Pounce, 2 - Own Goals, P. Anderton, S. Harrington, 1 - S. Coe, S. Kitchen, K. Lerwill, G. Phillips, S. Price, J. Souter, G. Trimlett.

# The Man in the Middle

IVAN THOMAS SMITH (Accrington). Head of Physical Education at Accrington and Rossendale College, he started refereeing in local leagues and progressed through the West Lancs. League and Lancashire Combination to The League line in 1965. He was promoted to the full list in 1969. Refereed an F.A. Amateur Cup semi-final in

1969, the 1971 England v. Scotland schoolboy international, the 1973-74 Texaco Cup semi-final (Newcastle v. Dundee United) and was on the line for a League Cup semi-final in 1969 and several European Games. Married with one daughter, he is also a local J.P. and the holder of an F.A. Coaching Certificate.

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# Cash for Goals

There is no doubt that sponsorship has come to football, in fact Watford may well have been one of the first teams in the field for it was way back in Neil McBain's day as Manager that we first introduced Match Ball Donations. Since then, of course, the idea has snowballed until vast sums are offered to the leading clubs. This space will be utilized to give up-to-date information on our Cash Goal Scheme which was introduced by the Evening Echo. At present the amount donated has been f11 per goal. From the list opposite you will see which match balls have been donated and those where a Man of the Match award has been received. The ball donation is £12.50 and the Man of the Match Award £10. Further information is available from the General Manager.

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Wednesday, 19th March

7.30 p.m.

Football League Division 3

COLCHESTER UNITED

Monday, 24th March

7.30 p.m.

Charity Match

EX SPURS XI v SHOWBIZ XI

# Watford Observer

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE (Division III)	MID-WEEK FOOTBALL LEAGUE	S. E. COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE							
AUG. Sat. 17 Colchester United A 1-1 5715 Wed. 21 Crystal P. (LC) _H 1-1 10643	AUG. Mon. 19 Colchester United A 1-1 90	1974 Opponents Res. Att.							
Sat. 24 Preston North End H 3-2 8918 Tue. 27 Crystal P. (LC)A 1-5 12810 Sat. 31 Huddersfield TnA 1-3 5007	SEPT. Wed. 4   Southend United _A 0-1 346   Wed. 11   Luton Town H 0-0 476   Tue. 17   Charlton Athletic _A 0-0 48	AUG. Sat. 17   Reading A 1-3   Sat. 24   Southend Utd H 4-0   Tottenham H A 0-6							
SEPT. Wed. 4 Hereford UnitedA 1-0 7357 Sat. 7 Halifax Tn H 2-2 6078 Wed. 11 League Cup 2 Sat. 14 Brighton & H.AA 0-2 11606	OCT. Tue. 1 BrentfordA 1-1 87 Wed. 9 Wed. 16 Peterborough Utd. H 2-1 448	SEPT. Sat. 7 Orient H 1-6 Sat. 14   lpswich T A 0-7 Sat. 21   Crystal Palace A 6-2 Sat. 28   Crystal Palace A 1-2							
Tue. 17 Grimsby Town A 2-2 5003 Sat. 21 Southend UnitedH 2-0 6955 Wed. 25 Gillingham H 0-0 6217	Wed. 23 Peterborough Utd. A 1-4 259  NOV. Wed. 13 Gillingham A 1-3 121	OCT. Sat. 12 Q.P.RA 2-1 Sat. 26 ArsenalA 1-3							
OCT. Wed. 2 Hereford UnitedH 1-1 5572 Sat. 5 Bury H 2-1 6522 Sat. 12 Peterborough Utd. A 0-1 9747	Tue. 19 Millwall H 2-3 224 Wed. 27 Colchester U. (LC) H 0-0 220  DEC. Wed. 4 Orient A 0-2 325	NOV. Sat. 2 Gillingham H 3-1 Sat. 9 Chelsea A 0-2 Sat. 30 Orient A 0-4							
Sat. 19 AFC Bournemouth H 1-0 7361 Tue. 22 Charlton Athletic A 1-4 7126 Sat. 26 Chesterfield A 4-4 3933 NOV. Sat. 2 Aldershot H 1-1 6535 Wed. 6 Charlton Athletic H 0-2 6710	Wed. 11     Portsmouth     H     1-1     225       Mon. 16     Brighton     H     0-1     261       Mon. 23     Northampton     A     3-3     33       Mon. 30     Charlton Athletic     H     1-1     296	DEC. Sat. 7 Sat. 14 Sat. 21 Sat. 21 Sat. 28 Sat. 28							
Sat. 9 Plymouth Argyle	1974 JAN. Wed. 8 Southend UnitedH 3-1 301	1975							
DEC. Sat. 7   Crystal Palace	Mon. 13 Luton Town A 0-2 96 Colchester U. (LC) A 2-1 153  FEB. Wed. 5 Gillingham H 1-1 304 Wed. 12 Millwall A 0-0 74	JAN. Sat. 4 Fulham H 2-1 Sat. 11 Gillingham A 2-3 Sat. 18 Fulham A 1-6 Sat. 25 Crystal Palace A 1-1							
JAN. Sat. 4 Grimsby Town (3) H 3-2 5668 Sat. 11 Crystal Palace A 0-1 17055 Sat. 18 Blackburn Rovers H 0-0 5828 FEB. Sat. 1 Plymouth Argyle H 1-3 8583	MAR. Wed. 5 Brentford H 0-1 323 Tue. 11 Cambridge United H	FEB. Sat. 8 Millwall H 1-1 Sat. 22 Reading H 3-1 Charlton H 0-1							
Sat. 8 Aldershot A 1-3 4776 Tue. 19 Walsall A 0-2 7177 Sat. 22 Port Vale A 0-0 4164 Fri. 28 Huddersfield Town H 1-0 4828	Mon. 24 Cambridge United A Wed. 26 Colchester United H	MAR. Sat. 1 Arsonal H 0-1 Sat. 15 Sat. 22 West Ham A							
MAR. Sat. 8 Gillingham (6)A 1-2 7281 Sat. 15 Swindon TownH Wed. 19 Colchester United H	APR. Wed. 2 Portsmouth — A Wed. 9 Northampton — H Brighton — A	APR. Sat. 5 Charlton AthleticA							
Sat. 22 Halifax Town A Southend United A Wrexham H Chesterfield (SF) H		Sat. 19 Portsmouth A Mon. 21 Chelsea H Sat. 26 Southend A							
Sat. 12 Bury A Mon. 14 Tranmere Rovers H Sat. 19 Peterborough Utd H True. 22 Preston North End A Sat. 26 A.F.C. Bournemouth A Tue. 29 Walsall H		Fixtures Ipswich H Portsmouth H							
MAY Sat. 3 F.A. Cup Final		Company of the second s							

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				Up	to 8	.3.75	)					
			HOM			pals		WA	Y	G	oals	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Blackburn	33	12	3	1	30	10	5	6	6	21	24	43
Plymouth	33	12	3	1	28	11		3	8	33	34	42
Charlton	34	12	4	1	40	21	5	4	8	18	24	42
Preston	34	14	2	2	33	13	3	4	9	15	25	40
C. Palace	34	10	6	1	33	18	4	5	8	15	25	39
Swindon	35	14	2	2	30	12	2	5 5 6	10	18	36	39
Walsall	34	12	3	2 3 2	35	10	2	6	8	15	27	37
Colchester	34	10	6	2	35	16	3	5	8	18	28	37
Port Vale	34	10	5	1	26	12	3	6	9	20	29	37
Gillingham	34	11	3	3333324	35	19	6534223332722	565526565238254	9	16	25	36
Hereford	35	11	4	3	35	18	2	5	10	15	31	35
Peterboro	31	6	6	3	15	13	7	2	7	16	24	34
Wrexham	34	9	5	3	36	17	2	6	9	18	27	33
Southend	35	9	6	3	28	16	2	5	10	11	25	33
Halifax	33	8	7	2	26	17	1	6	9	12	33	31
Bury	34	8	5		27	14	2	5	10	11	25	30
Brighton	32	9	6	1	27	16	2 2 4	2	12	13	30	30
Chest field	35	7	5	5	26	21	4	3	11	21	34	30
Watford	34	8 8 9 7 7	6	5335	22	19	1 3 1	8	9	18	35	30
Grimsby	35	7	7	3	24	16	3	2	13	18	40	29
Aldershot	35	10	2	5	28	18		5	12	8	31	28
B'mouth	32	6	D334262365346567565672334	7	19	20	3 2 1	4	9	11	20	25
Hudd'sfield	34	8	3	6	28	22	2	2	13	11	35	25
Tranmere	32	8	4	4	30	15	1	2	13	12	29	24

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Southend U. Orient Colchester Luton T. Peterborough Portsmouth Charlton A. Brighton Brentford Gillingham Watford	23 20 19 22 18 19 17 16 17 16 19	13 11 10 9 8 10 7 8 5 4 2	65576261669	4	45 45 41 44 37 40 28 31 26 26 18	30 22 29 34 21 31	25 25 22 22 20 17	Ipswich T. Tottenham H. Arsenal West Ham U. Fulham Orient Southend U. Queens P. R. Crystal P. Chelsea Charlton A.	25 23 24	16 14 12	73776941	265664711079	69 62 48 43 53 43 42 36	25 48 27 29 31 28 22 39 44 33	39 31 31 29 28 27 26 23 22 21
Cambridge Millwall Northampton	19 18 17	4 4 1	423	11	23	34 57 45	12 10 5	Portsmouth Watford Reading Millwall Gillingham	23 22 24 25 20	67633	5225	12 13 16 17	38 33	55 69 57	19 17 16 14 11 10

(Subs in brack		TEAM	APPEA	RANCES Up to a		ALS ding 8th March,	1975
	The state of the s	ppear	F.I.C.	& F.A.C.	Goals F.L.		
Bond Bristow	34	(2)	3		2		
Butler Craker	12	(1)	3 3		1		
Downes Garner	32	(.)	3		4		
Goodeve	34		3		3		
How Jennings	12 16 32 4 34 6 3 28 15 28 20		2	- /4\		1	
Jenkins Joslyn	15		1	(1)	11 2 1 3		
Keen Lees	28	(1)	3	4720	3		
Markham Mayes	11	(3) (2) (6)	1	(1)	1		
McGettigan Mercar	5	(6)	1		1		
Morrissey Rankin	15	(2)	2 3 2		4	1	
Scullion Walsh	6 11 5 8 15 34 26 8		2		5		
Williams	29		3				

	RESERVE TEAM		- Company of the Comp		
	League	Cup	League	Cup	
	Appearances /	Appearances	Goals	Goals	
Bristow	20	3	1		
Butler	4	1			
Cocks	20	3			
Coffill	13	3	1		
Corkish					
Craker	2				
Dalrymple	20	3			
Henry	2	3			
How	18	1			
Jenkins	2				
Johnson	20	3			
Keen	1 20 2 18 2 20 4 4 3 2 20	1			
Kitson	4				
Ines	3	2			
Mayes	2	1	1		
McCarthy	2				
McGettigan	16	2	5		
Markham	14	2 2 3	5 5 3		
Mercer	15	3	3	2	
Mollov	1				
Morrissey	2 9		1		
Hoberts	9	1	1	1	
Scullion					
Walsh	18 6 1	2			
Woodfield	6				
Williams	1	1			



### THE LINE UP

Referee : I. T. SMITH (Accrington)

Linesman : M. E. JERMEY (Woking) (Red Flag) Linesman:
J. B. HAZELL
(Colchester)
(Yellow Flag)

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### WATFORD **SWINDON TOWN** Gold shirts, Black shorts Red and White 1. ANDY RANKIN 1. JIM BARRON TREVOR HOW 2. WILF DIXON JIMMY WALSH JOHN TROLLOPE ROGER JOSLYN TOMMY JENKINS KEN GOODEVE FRANK BURROWS ALAN GARNER 6. COLIN PROPHETT STEWART SCULLION DAVE MOSS **DENNIS BOND** KENNY STROUD KEITH MERCER PETER EASTOE 10. MIKE KEEN JIM McLAUGHLIN 10. **BOBBY DOWNES** 11. TREVOR ANDERSON 11.

Ball Donor: ANON. (J.S.)

12. HUGH McLEAN