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# WOULDN'T A PINT GO DOWN WELL TONIGHT?





# Bits and Pieces

The League Cup was introduced in Season 1960-61 and Swindon's first tie was on Wednesday 12th October, 1960. This is how the Town programme described the new venture:

'This evening we entertain Shrewsbury Town in the second round of a new competition - The League Cup Competition. Unfortunately it has not got off to a very good start, due to the attitude of several Division 1 clubs.

Nevertheless, we feel it will be well worthwhile. There is always a certain atmosphere and glamour in a knock-out competition. Another attraction is, of course, the possibility of being drawn against a leading club. As the competition progresses we consider it will become a success.'

The 'attitude' referred to clubs like Arsenal, Tottenham, West Bromwich Albion and Wolves who did not consider the competition worthwhile entering.

The following season, the list of absentees grew rather than diminished - Chelsea, Manchester United, Everton and Liverpool all opted out.

It was not until 1966-67, when the Final was first staged at Wembley, that there was anything approaching full membership. Even then the Merseyside clubs, both engaged in European combat, failed to enter.

From the same season, the winners of the League Cup were allowed to compete in the Fairs Cup (later replaced by the UEFA Cup) - but on the provision that the club was in the First Division.

This clause thus ruled out the chances of Third Division Queens Park Rangers (1967) and Swindon (1969) taking that ticket to Europe.

It took the current holders of the trophy, Aston Villa, ten games to lift

the Cup last season - a figure that has only been exceeded once.

Swindon and Stoke City both won it after playing twelve games and it took Villa the same number in that inaugural season of 60-61, although this included the two-legged Final.

Victory tonight would give the Town a visit to Wrexham and a chance to rectify the 2-1 reversal suffered there just over a month ago.

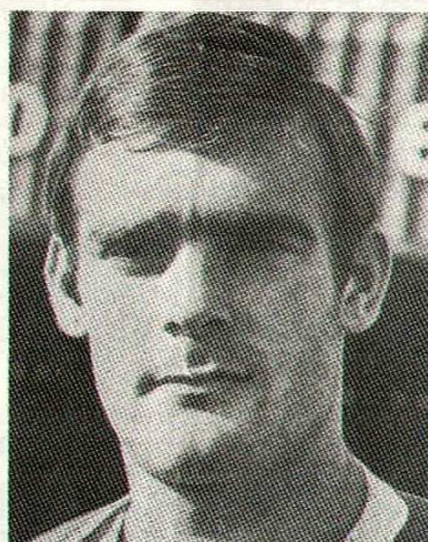
It would be Swindon's third trip to the Border town for a game under lights. The first marked the occasion of the opening of Wrexham's floodlights on Wednesday September 30th 1959. Over fifteen thousand saw the Town win 2-1 with goals from Jimmy Gauld and Bob Edwards. A point gained in a goalless draw at the Racecourse February 27th 1963 means that the evening kick-off could prove to be a good omen for Swindon.

## LEAGUE CUP FLASHBACK

After a narrow victory over Bourne-mouth in the First Round, Swindon met Pompey here on Tuesday September 13 1966. The teams that took the field were as follows:

Swindon Town : Downsborough; Butler, Trollope. Smart, Giles, Harland; Weaver Brown, East, Thomas, Rogers.

Portsmouth : Armstrong; Pack, Tindall; Lewis, Haydock, Harris; McClelland, Edwards, Hiron, McCann, Kellard.



KEITH EAST

By half-time, the Town had built up a two-goal lead through Dennis Brown and Keith East - who was playing against his former colleagues. After the break, he added a second, Don Rogers put his name on the score-sheet and Bobby Kellard replied for Portsmouth. Owen Dawson, also turning out against his old club, came on as substitute for Eric Weaver.

Attendance : 7,784

Gate Receipts : £1.586

Three seasons ago Portsmouth again visited Swindon in the League Cup, only seven months after gaining an F.A. Cup Third Round replay victory here. The date was August 20 1974 and the teams lined up as follows:

Swindon Town : Barron; McLaughlin, (sub. Burrows), Trollope; Hubbard, Potter, Munks; Moss, Dixon, Eastoe, MacLean, Jenkins.

Portsmouth : Best; Roberts, Wilson; Piper, Went, Stephenson; Marinello, Hand, Davies, Reynolds, Mellows.

A second-half goal from Norman Piper proved sufficient to take Pompey through to meet Derby County in the next round.

Attendance : 4,779



Portsmouth's last League Cup visit to Swindon. Peter Eastoe bears defenders Eoin Hand and Paul Went. The other Town players are Hugh MacLean (10) and Dave Moss



# Talk of the Town By the Chairman

Tonight it is our turn to entertain our friends from Portsmouth in our return encounter for the right to meet Wrexham in the Quarter Finals of the League Cup.

In spite of the adverse report which we received from the local paper, we, and I am sure all of our supporters were delighted to force the replay. Portsmouth put Leicester City out of this competition in the previous round and Danny played his cards close to his chest in his team selections, and I know that Jimmy Dickinson appreciated Danny's guile.

Our splendid win on Saturday last against Exeter, with the team getting on to the goal standard again, proved that with a little more consistency and the run of the ball, we shall be a force to reckon with, in spite of the critics.

It is the job of Danny, Frank and Jack to work on our problems whatever they are and I know that they are not complacent to problems.

Very few people seem to recognise that the team selection is twelve players and not eleven, plus a reserve, as in the old day. The manager today, has to use his squad to the best of his ability, taking into account the state of the game, but always, he had to think of the possibility of being reduced to ten men through an injury. Very

often a substitution is greeted by boos and cries of resentment, as was the case, when Danny pulled off Chris Guthrie, little did they know that Chris was injured and in fact, has not played since that game. I feel in these instances it might be fairer to the player and the manager if a statement could be made over the tanoid system, but of course this would cause problems if the player was being substituted because he was having a bad time. Sometimes a substitution is a tactical move to throw the opposition off balance and this would take some explaining.

I am sure everybody was delighted with the first league performance of Kevin Roberts who came in for Jimmy Allan who suffered an arm injury last week, and after a try out had to call off. One cannot do better than keep a clean sheet and the way in which he did it more than justified his inclusion.

E.H. Bradley Engineering & Sons Limited, made football history for us, in being the first firm to be responsible for sponsoring our game against Exeter City.

They put on a very impressive display of Chrysler cars and we hope that their generosity to our club, will have been repaid by added trade and that such an exercise will encourage other firms in the town and surrounding areas to follow their example. If we could

put on four goals each time a game is sponsored, I am sure we should have no difficulty in finding sponsors.

The County Ground has been a hive of activity this last week, due to the fact that the schools have been on holiday and a penalty competition for schoolboys was held on our ground and both Jimmy Allan and Steve Lymer helped out by keeping goal against the penalty taken.

Jack Smith is also kept busy because schoolboys take the opportunity to join Jacks coaching sessions in the day time during their holidays.

Our Squash Courts are proving very popular and although we have to wait another month before we can apply for our licence for entoxicating drinks, Jack Conley is serving soft drinks, tea and coffee until our licence arrives. Jack also has installed a full size Snooker and Billiard table besides the Pool tables and already, these are being used.

If you are thinking of booking a Squash Court please ring Swindon 21240 to avoid disappointment.

We have two courts and they can be booked for either a half hour or an hour price 70p. per half hour per court per member, and 80p. for non members.

Thanking you for your support and hope that tonight's game is enjoyable.



Exeter City goalkeeper Key leaps to collect a Town centre preventing danger from Swindon forwards Trevor Anderson and Chris Kamara during Swindon's 4-0 win over the Devon side at the County Ground.



# A LEAGUE CUP HISTORY

1960-61:	2	h. Coventry	2-0
	3	h. Man. City	2-0
	4	h. Chelsea	1-0
	5	a. Rotherham	0-3
1961-62:	1	a. Barrow	2-0
	2	h. Derby	1-1
		a. Derby	4-2
	3	a. Sheff. Utd.	0-1
1962-63:	2	a. Brighton	5-1
	3	h. Coventry	5-1
	4	h. Sunderland	0-0
		a. Sunderland	1-2
1863-64:	2	h. Derby	3-2
	3	a. Wrexham	5-3
	4	a. Notts. Co.	2-3
1964-65:	2	a. Watford	2-2
		h. Watford	2-1
	3	a. Northamptn	1-2
1965-66:	2	a. Oldham	2-1
	3	a. Cardiff	0-2
1966-67:	2	a. Swindon	1-4
1967-68:	2	h. Port Vale	3-1
	3	a. Darlington	1-4
1968-69:	2	a. Coventry	0-2
1969-70:	1	a. Brighton	0-1
1970-71:	1	h. Plymouth	2-0
	2	h. Walsall	1-0
	3	a. Man. Utd.	0-1
1971-72:	1	a. Bournemouth	1-2
1972-73:	1	a. Torquay	2-1
	2	h. Chesterfld	0-1
1973-74:	1	h. Southend	2-1
	1	a. Plymouth	0-4
1974-75:	1	a. Swindon	1-0
	2	h. Derby	1-5
1975-76:	1	a. Aldershot	1-1
		h. Aldershot	2-1
	2	h. Leicester	1-1
		a. Leicester	0-1
1976-77:	1	a. Crystal P.	2-2
		h. Crystal P.	0-1

This season . . . . .

Rnd 1	Aug 13	home	Newport Co. 3-1 (Kemp 2 - 1 pen., Green)
	Aug 16	away	Newport Co. 2-3 (Pollock, Ellis)
Rnd 2	Aug 30	home	Leicester City 2-0 (Green, Kemp)
Rnd 3	Oct 25	home	Swindon Town 1-1 (Mellows)

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# DIVISION 3 1977/78

# FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Date	Opponents	Ground	Score	Scorers	Attendance
<b>1977</b>					
Aug. 13	League Cup (1) Swansea City	A	3 - 1	11 - 3 - 9	5878
Aug. 16	League Cup (2) Swansea City	H	2 - 1	7 - 11	5415
Aug. 20	Sheffield Wednesday	A	1 - 1	8	12095
Aug. 23	Peterborough United	H	2 - 0	9 - 10	7117
Aug. 27	Portsmouth	H	3 - 1	8 - 10 - 7	9396
Aug. 31	League Cup 2 Cardiff City	H	5 - 1	9 11(2) 7 10	8919
Sept. 3	Walsall	A	0 - 2		4717
Sept. 10	Chesterfield	H	2 - 1	9 - 12	6847
Sept. 13	Preston North End	A	1 - 1	11	6014
Sept. 16	Bury	H	1 - 1	9	8139
Sept. 24	Wrexham	A	1 - 2	7	8002
Sept. 27	Cambridge United	A	2 - 5	7 - 10	4423
Sept. 30	Shrewsbury Town	H	5 - 0	8-5-7-9-3	6809
Oct. 4	Bradford City	H	0 - 1		7569
Oct. 8	Lincoln City	A	1 - 3	9	4852
Oct. 15	Port Vale	H	1 - 1	5	6132
Oct. 22	Chester	A	0 - 1		3539
Oct. 25	League Cup 3 Portsmouth	A	1 - 1	7	14955
Oct. 29	Exeter City	H	4 - 0	7 - 10 - 11(2)	7021
Nov. 5	Gillingham	H			
Nov. 11	Colchester United	A			
Nov. 19	Rotherham United	H			
Nov. 26	F.A. Cup 1				
Nov. 30	League Cup 4				
Dec. 3	Hereford United	A			
Dec. 10	Carlisle United	H			
Dec. 17	F.A. Cup 2				
Dec. 26	Oxford United	A			
Dec. 27	Plymouth Argyle	H			
Dec. 31	Gillingham	A			
<b>1978</b>					
Jan. 2	Tranmere Rovers	H			
Jan. 7	Peterborough United (3)	A			
Jan. 14	Sheffield Wednesday	H			
Jan. 18	League Cup 5				
Jan. 20	Portsmouth	A			
Jan. 28	Walsall (4)	H			
Feb. 4	Chesterfield	A			
Feb. 8	League Cup SF				
Feb. 10	Bury	A			
Feb. 15	League Cup SF				
Feb. 18	Wrexham (5)	H			
Feb. 25	Shrewsbury Town	A			
Mar. 4	Lincoln City	H			
Mar. 7	Preston North End	H			
Mar. 11	Port Vale (6)	A			
Mar. 17	Chester (LCF)	H			
Mar. 22	Exeter City	A			
Mar. 25	Plymouth Argyle	A			
Mar. 27	Oxford United	H			
Mar. 28					
Mar. 31	Tranmere Rovers	A			
April 4	Cambridge United	H			
April 8	Colchester United (SF)	H			
April 15	Rotherham United	A			
April 22	Hereford United	H			
April 26	Bradford City	A			
April 29	Carlisle United	A			
May 6	F. A. Cup Final				

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## FOR THE RECORD

Oct. 15th - Div. 3 v. PORT VALE

Allan, McLaughlin, Trollope, Stroud, Aizlewood, Prophet, Moss, Kamara, Guthrie (Anderson) McHale, Gilligan.

Oct. 22nd - Div. 3 v. CHESTER

Allan, Ford, Trollope, McLaughlin, Aizlewood, Prophet, Moss, Stroud, French, Kamara, Anderson, (McHale)

Oct. 25th - League Cup v. PORTSMOUTH

Allan, McLaughlin, Trollope, Stroud, Aizlewood, (Kamara), Prophet, Moss, Ford, French, McHale, Anderson.

Date	Opponents	Ground	Score
<b>1977</b>			
Aug. 20	Birmingham	H	1 - 1
Aug. 23	Fulham	A	P
Aug. 31	Reading	A	1 - 2
Sept. 3	Ipswich Town	H	0 - 3
Sept. 10	Luton Town	A	2 - 1
Sept. 13	Crystal Palace	H	1 - 0
Sept. 20	Orient	H	0 - 0
Sept. 24	Oxford United	H	0 - 1
Oct. 4	Queens Park Rangers	A	1 - 8
Oct. 8	Bristol Rovers	H	4 - 3
Oct. 15	Tottenham Hotspur	A	1 - 3
Oct. 22	Cardiff City	H	2 - 1
Oct. 26	Chelsea	A	0 - 2
Nov. 12	Norwich City	H	
Nov. 16	Crystal Palace	A	
Nov. 19	West Ham United	A	
Nov. 26	Leicester City	H	
Dec. 3	Plymouth Argyle	H	
Dec. 10	Hereford United	A	
Dec. 13	Bristol City	A	
Dec. 17	Southampton	A	
Dec. 31	Fulham	H	
<b>1978</b>			
Jan. 17	Reading	H	
Jan. 21	Ipswich Town	A	
Feb. 4	Luton Town	H	
Feb. 7	Arsenal	H	
Feb. 11	Orient	A	
Feb. 14	Birmingham City	A	
Feb. 18	Oxford United	A	
Feb. 25	Chelsea	H	
Mar. 7	Bristol Rovers	A	
Mar. 11	Tottenham Hotspur	H	
Mar. 15	Cardiff City	A	
Mar. 25	Southampton	H	
Mar. 27	Arsenal	A	
April 1	Bristol City	H	
April 5	Norwich City	A	
April 8	Leicester City	A	
April 15	West Ham United	H	
April 22	Plymouth Argyle	A	
April 25	Queens Park Rangers	H	
April 29	Hereford United	H	

## First Team Appearances and Goals 1977-78

Totals include subs

(Goals in parentheses)

	Total	League	F.L.C.	FAC
1. Allan	18	14	4	
2. McLaughlin	19	15	4	
3. Trollope	19(2)	15(1)	4(1)	
4. Stroud	18	14	4	
5. Aizlewood	19(2)	15(2)	4	
6. Prophet	19	15	4	
7. Moss	18(8)	14(5)	4(3)	
8. Kamara	17(3)	13(3)	4	
9. Guthrie	15(7)	12(5)	3(2)	
10. McHale	19(5)	15(4)	4(1)	
11. Anderson	18(7)	14(3)	4(4)	
12. Ford	12(1)	10(1)	2	
13. Cunningham	1	1		
14. French	4	3	1	

Oct. 15th - Football Comb. v. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

Roberts, Kelly, Ford, Collicutt, Lewis, Reilly, Woodward, Durbridge, French, Brinkworth, Cunningham.

Oct. 22nd - Football Comb. v. CARDIFF CITY

Lymer, Kelly, Reilly, Collicutt, Lewis, Walker, Woodward, Barry, Brinkworth, Gilligan, Durbridge



# IN TOWN TODAY

## STEVE MIDDLETON (Goalkeeper)

Steve joined Pompey from neighbouring Southampton this summer. He made his League debut for the Saints in a First Division game against Q.P.R. in August 1973 but got only a few subsequent opportunities. In 1974/75 he joined Torquay on loan.  
League Record: Southampton 24 aps., Torquay (loan) 10 aps., Portsmouth 13 aps.

**PHIL ROBERTS (Defender)** Phil is a Welsh under-23 international who began his career with Bristol Rovers. Portsmouth paid £52,000 for him in 1973 and, though he lost his place last season, he was recalled when Jimmy Dickinson took over as manager.

League record: Bristol Rovers 175(1) aps. 6 gls., Portsmouth 131(1) aps 1 gl

**PETER DENYER (Defender)** Peter, yet another of the young players given their head last season, scored seven goals and was Portsmouth's second-highest scorer. Peter will always remember his first goal in League soccer. It helped to beat us 2-1 at Fratton Park last August! He has now switched from attack to defence.

League record: Portsmouth 51(5) aps., 6 gls.

## MICK MELLOWS (Midfield)

Mick is a former England amateur international. Once with Sutton United, Mellows played League football as an amateur for Reading in 1970/71 but then went back to non-League football until Pompey signed him in 1973. Mick scored the goal which earned Pompey this replay.

League record: Reading 14 (2)aps. 2 gls., Portsmouth 145 (7) aps. 16 gls.

**PAUL CAHILL (Defender)** Paul has been appearing in the centre of the defence, though his old position was left back. A former Coventry player, Paul didn't make the Sky Blues' senior side. Portsmouth signed him three seasons ago, initially on loan.

League record: Coventry nil aps., Portsmouth 86(1) aps., 1 gl.

**STEVE FOSTER (Defender)** Steve began as a centre-forward and was given his chance in Pompey's League eleven two seasons ago. He didn't make a tremendous impression, however, until switching positions but now he is a commanding figure in the centre of the defence.

League record: Portsmouth 49(6) aps., 2 gls.



PORTSMOUTH F.C.

BACK ROW (L to R)

Ray Crawford (Coach), Gordon Neave (Trainer), P. Denyer, K. Viney, D. Puller, S. Middleton, P. Figgins, P. Roberts, M. Mellows, W. Wilson, L. Barnard, J. Dickinson (Manager)

FRONT ROW (L to R)

P. Ellis, P. Gilchrist, C. Green, D. Kemp, S. Foster, N. Piper, P. McParland, M. Pollock, R. Stokes.

**PETER ELLIS (Midfield)** Peter, who made his first League appearance in 1974, turned out at both centre-back and left-back last season. But most of his games this season have been in midfield.

League record: Portsmouth 50(5) aps.

**LEIGH BARNARD (Midfield)** Leigh is one of Pompey's newest professionals. He made his League bow at Exeter in September and made such a big impression that he has since held his place.

League record: Portsmouth 7 aps.

**BOBBY STOKES (Midfield/Forward)** Bobby will always be remembered as the scorer of Southampton's winning goal in the 1976 F.A. Cup Final. Strangely the Saints could find no place for him after that and he eventually left The Dell on a free transfer this year.

League record: Southampton 194 (24) aps., 40 gls., Portsmouth 11 (1) aps. 1 gl.

**DAVE KEMP (Forward)** Dave was Pompey's top scorer with 16 goals last season and is way ahead with 10 this term. A former Chelsea junior, Dave played for Maidenhead, Wembley and Slough before joining Crystal Palace in 1975 and Pompey last season.

League record: C. Palace 32(3) aps., 10 gls, Portsmouth 43 aps, 21 gls.

**NORMAN PIPER (Midfield)** Norman won England youth and under-23 honours in his Plymouth days. He made his League bow for Argyle in 1965 and remained a first-team regular until his transfer to Portsmouth in 1970. Two seasons ago he was Pompey's leading scorer.

League record: Plymouth 215 aps, 35 gls., Portsmouth 294(2) aps, 51 gls

**MAITLAND POLLOCK (Forward)** Maitland began with Walsall but moved on to Luton in 1974 for £10,000. Portsmouth signed him in 1976 and he has been holding down a position on the wing. He scored Pompey's goal in the League game here in August.

League record: Walsall 1(1) aps., Luton 3(3) aps., Portsmouth 45 (1) aps., 7 gls.



# FOCUS ON

## Ken Stroud

By Tony Pullein



## FOOTBALL LEAGUE

	71/2	72/3	73/4	74/5	75/6	76/7	77/8	Total
Aldershot				1	1+s(1)			2+s(1)
Blackburn				1				1
Bournemouth				1+s				1+s
Bradford City						1		1
Brighton				2	2			4
Bris. City			2					2
Burnley		1						1
Bury					2(1)	2		5(1)
Cambridge							1	1
Cardiff		2			2			4
Carlisle			2					2
Charlton				1				1
Chester					2	2(1)	1	5(1)
Chesterfield					2	1		3
Colchester				1	1			2
C. Palace				1	1(1)	1		3(1)
Gillingham				1	2	1(1)		4(1)
Grimsby				s	2	2		4+s
Halifax				1(1)	2(1)			3(2)
Hereford				1	2			3
Huddersfield				1				1
Hull		1	1					2
Lincoln						1(1)	1	2(1)
Luton			1					1
Mansfield					1	2		3
Mid'brough		1	1					2
Millwall			1		1			2
Northampton						2		2
Norwich	s							0+s
Nottm. For.			1					1
Notts. Co.			2					2
Oxford			1			2		3
Peterborough					2	2	1	5
Portsmouth						2(1)	1	3(1)
Port Vale				1	2	2	1	6
Preston	1		1	2	2	2	1	9
Q.P.R.	1							1
Reading						2		2
Rotherham					1+s	2(1)		3+s(1)
Sheff. Wed			1		2	2	1	6
Shrewsbury					1+s(1)	2	1	3+s(1)
Southend				1	2			3
Sunderland			1					1
Tranmere						2		2
Walsall				s	2	2	1	5+s
Watford				1				1
W.B.A.			1+s					1+s
Wrexham				1	2	2	1	6
York						2		2
	2+s	5	16+s	16+3s	39+3s	42	13	133+8s
				(1)	(5)	(5)		(11)

Ken Stroud is one of many players who have successfully graduated from the junior sides to establish themselves in the Football League in recent years. Ken served his apprenticeship at the County Ground, turned professional in April 1970 and made his first League appearance against Queen's Park Rangers in September 1971.

For the past two seasons he has been a regular member of our senior squad and last season he was ever-present.

Here we analyse his career to date showing his season-by-season appearances against each club. "s" denotes he played as substitute while his goals are shown in brackets.

F.A. CUP	73/4	74/5	75/6	76/7	TOTAL
Bromley				1	1
Everton				2(1)	2(1)
Fulham				2	2
Hendon			1		1
Hitchin				2	2
Newport			2		2
Portsmouth	2		2		2
Tooting			2		2
	2	—	5	7(1)	14(1)

LEAGUE CUP	73/4	74/5	75/6	76/7	77/8	TOTAL
Cardiff					1	1
Chesterfield	1					1
Millwall			2(1)			2(1)
Newport	1+s					1+s
Northampton				2(1)		2(1)
Portsmouth					1	1
Swansea					2	2
Wolves			2			2
	2+s	—	4(1)	2(1)	4	12+s (2)





Swindon's Kenny Stroud rises to head a cross past Exeter City goalkeeper Key but the ball struck an upright during the Town's 4-0 win at the County Ground.

## DANNY'S DESK

The result of our match on Saturday last against Exeter was very much more satisfying than those of recent weeks. It was even more pleasing bearing in mind that the goal-keeper Kevin Roberts played behind the first team for the first time in a competitive match and that Chris Kamara filled the number nine spot in the absence of Chris Guthrie. I know the decision to take Chris off was unpopular and this was not done because I was dissatisfied with his performance, but merely that I require him to play

in the same position for this evenings match and as the lad is only nineteen I consider that two full matches in three days might be a little too much for him. But I was very pleased with his performance as I was with that of Kevin Roberts.

We were all very pleased to learn that Colin Prophett had not broken his leg as was first thought, in fact, it was his shin pad that broke leaving Colin with what is believed to be a very badly bruised shin bone.

Saturdays match was also very successful as our first sponsored match. We were very pleased at the way the display of the new cars went off so smoothly for E.H. Bradley Engineering Limited, and we hope that other

firms will approach us for similar facilities.

Still talking about Saturdays match we were pleased to entertain a promising young 15 year old schoolboy, Stewart Forsyth and his parents, who a number of first division clubs are interested in. Both Stewart and his parents were impressed with the set up here at Swindon and we hope that he will be able to come here for trials during the Christmas holidays.

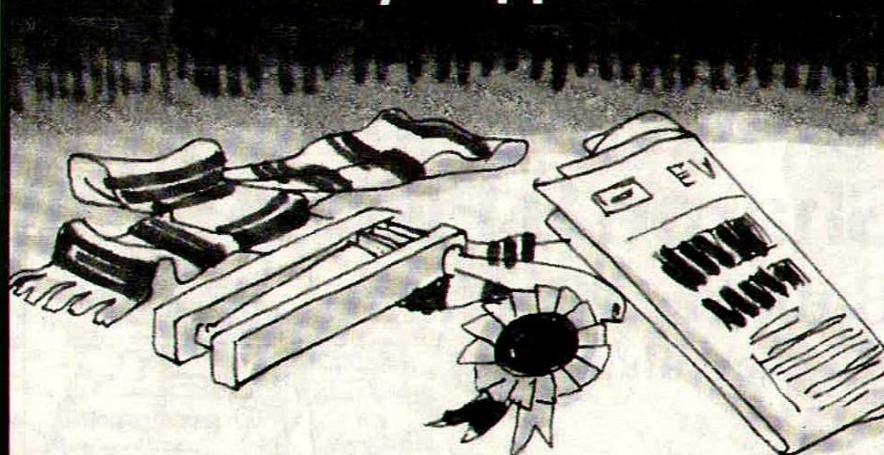
Thank you for coming this evening and just a message for the boys and girls present. Don't forget - be careful with those fire-works next Saturday, learn the Firework Code and better still leave it to Dad!

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# Spotlight on League Cup

By Tony Pullein

Ian Robins has scored just three goals for Bury since his £25,000 transfer from Oldham at the beginning of this season - - but each one has played a very important part in keeping the Shakers in the League Cup. His first goal for Bury, in the dying moments of their second round tie at Oxford, earned them a home replay. Bury won that 1 - 0, thanks to a Robins' goal.

Last Tuesday at Millwall Ian headed Bury into a shock 39th minute lead and, though the Lions equalised through Bryan Hamilton almost immediately, they held on to draw 1 - 1. Ian had high hopes of maintaining his record in this week's replay.

"I think we can beat them on our ground," he said. "And of course I'll be looking for more goals. But I wish they would start coming in the League. Promotion is more important to us."

Millwall should have made sure at the first attempt, however, some atrocious shooting, the woodwork and a brilliant display by Bury goalkeeper John Forrest foiled them.

Second Division Millwall have plenty of Cup experience in their side. Defender Tony Hazell played in the first Wembley League Cup final in 1967 when his team Queen's Park Rangers beat West Bromwich. Irish International midfielder man, Bryan Hamilton, was in Everton's losing side in last year's final whilst newest recruit, winger Les Barrett, was in Fulham's F.A. Cup final team in 1975.

Southampton went out of the competition with a smile. They were beaten by two very late goals, one a penalty, at Arsenal but former England centre-forward Peter Osgood summed up the Saints' attitude: "I don't care if we lose all our cup-ties. I've got enough medals to be going on with, anyway. Promotion is what we want most of all." Saints' skipper Alan Ball, making his first appearance at Highbury since his transfer from Arsenal to Southampton last season, was naturally disappointed

at the result. "I'd have liked to have seen us get them back home at the Dell. But, having said that, I agree that our main concern is getting the club back into Division One."

Manchester City, one of the favourites to win the League Cup, had a fright at Luton when the home side swept into the lead with a Ron Fletcher goal immediately after the interval. But Peter Barnes quickly restored equality and City were more than happy to go to a replay. City chairman Peter Swales said after the game: "We were tremendously impressed with Luton's performance. I think they will gain promotion to the First Division on this form. And they would deserve it."

Sheffield Wednesday, bottom of the Third Division, continued their League Cup progress at the expense of Third Division rivals Walsall. Their 2 - 1 success was Wednesday's fourth League Cup victory of the season. Yet, in 14 League games, they had won only twice!

Bolton failed to hit top form but still managed to beat Third Division Peterborough fairly comfortably. It wasn't until mid-way through the first-half that Bolton scored twice in quick succession, through Roy Greaves and Sam Allardyce, to kill Peterborough's hopes. The Posh fought back with an Alan Slough goal in the 63rd minute though they never looked good enough to cause any real surprise and the match was sewn up for the home side with a Neil Whatmore penalty 11 minutes from the end.

Frank Worthington, the England centre-forward transferred from Leicester to Bolton for £90,000, was ineligible for this match, having already played in the League Cup for Leicester. In five League games for the Wanderers, Worthington had scored four goals before the weekend.

Former Leeds' star Billy Bremner scored his second goal in four days for Hull to clinch the Tigers' victory over Oldham. Bruce Bannister had opened the score and Hull won 2 - 0.

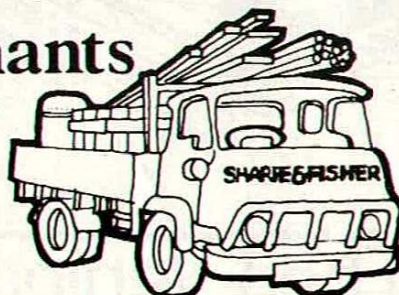
## LEAGUE CUP DIRECTORY

The following is a complete list of all players who have appeared in Swindon's fifty League Cup games to the end of last season.

(Appearance totals include those as substitute)

	Appearances	Goals
Steve Aizlewood	2	
Jimmy Allan	6	
Trevor Anderson	6	
Bill Atkins	1	1
Jim Barron	4	
Mick Blick	1	
Dennis Brown	6	1
Ray Bunkell	2	
Frank Burrows	25	
Sam Burton	6	
Joe Butler	30	1
Peter Chamberlain	1	
Nicky Collins	1	
Dave Corbett	3	
Dave Dangerfield	1	
Arnold Darcy	4	
Owen Dawson	19	
Will Dixon	6	
Peter Downsborough	21	
Keith East	2	2
Peter Eastoe	5	1
Graham French	2	
Howard Goddard	2	1
Jimmy Giles	2	
Tony Gough	3	
Tom Hallett	1	
Stan Harland	25	1
Dave Harper	1	
Don Heath	12	
Tony Hicks	5	
Arthur Horsfield	6	3
Terry Hubbard	7	
Ernie Hunt	11	
Ralph Hunt	2	1
Cliff Jackson	8	2
Tom Jenkins	6	
Chris Jones	3	
Ken Jones	3	
Roy Jones	2	
Ken Keyworth	1	
Jimmy Lawton	2	1
'Bronco' Layne	2	2
Richard Legg	3	2
Peter Leggett	2	
Mick McGovern	3	1
John McLaughlin	7	
Hugh MacLean	1	
Ken McPherson	4	1
Willie Marshall	1	
Keith Morgan	15	2
Dave Moss	8	3
Dave Munks	1	
Peter Noble	18	7
Mel Nurse	6	

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Don Rogers	34	17
Wilf Shergold	1	
Ken Skeen	2	1
Roger Smart	27	10
Jack Smith	8	8
John Smith	17	3
Alan Sproates	2	
Kenny Stroud	9	2
Mike Summerbee	13	1
Dave Syrett	2	1
Tony Taylor	2	
Pat Terry	2	
Rod Thomas	25	
Ray Treacy	4	1
John Trollope	38	3
Mike Turner	5	
Bruce Walker	3	
Eric Weaver	2	
Terry Wollen	5	
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- 4 McLAUGHLIN J
- 5 AIZLEWOOD S
- 6 LEWIS R
- 7 MOSS D
- 8 STROUD K
- 9 KAMARA C
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