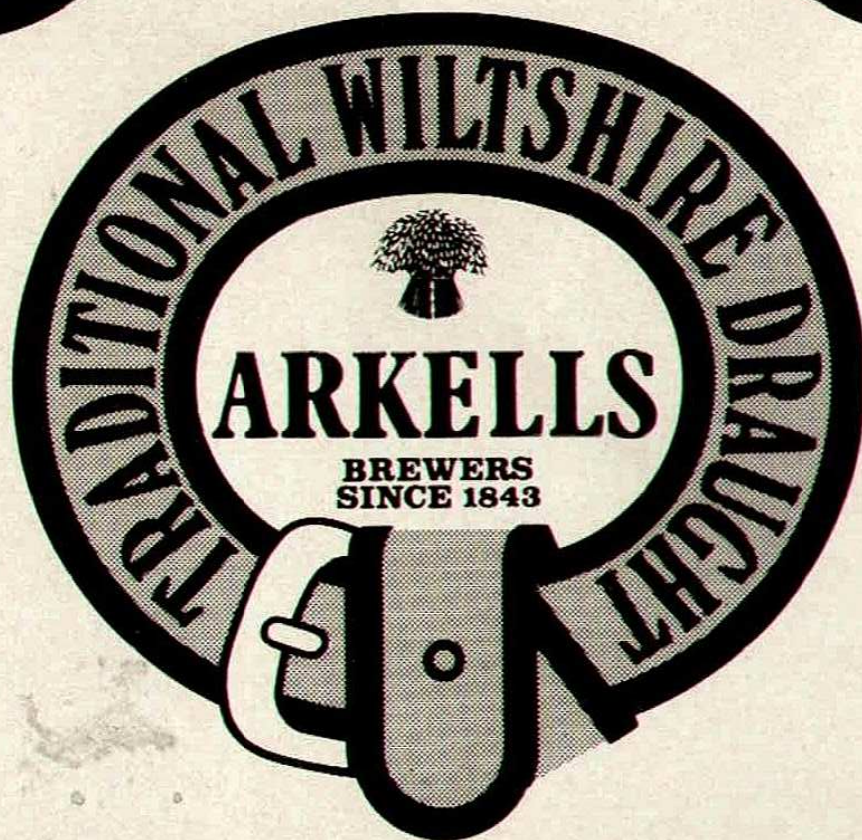
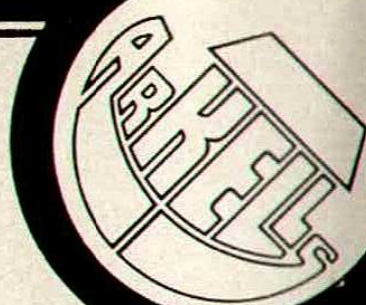
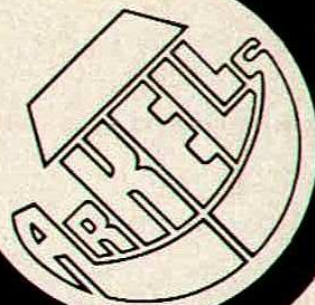


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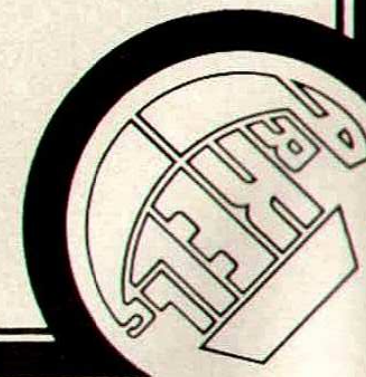
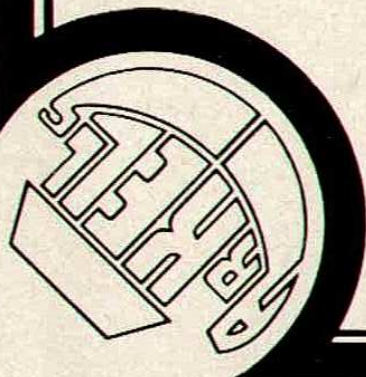
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Bob Smith says.....

A look at the League table now tells us that we are in exactly the same position as at this time last year and the obvious fact emerges that we are losing too many away games. Although we lost both games at Reading and Wimbledon, I felt that we were extremely unfortunate not to have scored more goals in both games, but the name of the game in every match is not to concede goals. We are all concerned, both the players and myself that it should be so different away from home than at home where we have conceded only two goals this season. I make no secret of the fact that I believe in attacking football both home and away, but maybe in our next away game we may have to employ different tactics, though I still feel very confident that we are a side that is full of goal scoring potential and could score goals away from the County Ground. Today and on Tuesday, we have two home games where our target must again be maximum points.

Last week a well known member of our staff, Mr. Eddie Buckley went into hospital for a stomach operation. We are glad to say that Eddie is now home and I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of everyone at the Club to wish him a speedy recovery.

In conclusion, thank you for your attendance this afternoon and I would remind you that your encouragement of the players is as an important part of the game as that taking place on the field of play and to the younger supporters the warning - 'Please keep off the Pitch' after the game, as now the weather is beginning to decline the state of the pitch is a part of our bread and butter and we do not want it damaged unnecessarily.



GOING TO BLACKPOOL?

Route suggested by A.A.

Follow signs Cirencester A419.

Gloucester A417.

Motorway M5 then

Join M6 at Gailey Junction.

Junction 32 take left hand lane to join M55.

At Motorway Terminal Roundabout

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In 2m. at traffic signals get in centre lane (S.P. Town Centre).

In 0.3m turn left into Bloomfield Road.
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TOWN THROUGH TIME — Goalkeepers—part eight

SAM BURTON's first extended run in the League side was brought to a halt when he was dealt a nasty blow in a home game with Bournemouth in April 1949. Just six minutes were left when he stooped for a low ball in a crowded goalmouth and for his troubles, collected a badly lacerated hand - which, on closer examination, revealed a compound fracture of a finger bone. This prevented the former Bevin boy from taking part in the remaining six fixtures of the season. FRANK BOULTON thus saw further duty and conceded just two goals in the process. By the following August, although Sam was fully fit, Boulton was preferred. But Frank's career with Swindon was to come to a shattering close in less than three months. The scene was Meadow Lane in Nottingham, where 37, 121 had filed through the gates for the Town's visit. County had led from the 30th minute when Boulton was beaten from the spot by former England leader Tommy Lawton. Seven minutes into the second half the two again confronted each other, but at rather closer quarters - with the result that the Swindon keeper was stretched off the field with a dislocated ankle. With Boulton prostrate on the floor centre-half Jimmy Ithell was forced to manipulate the ball with his hand to keep it out of the net - so with their keeper en route to hospital, the Town now faced a second penalty. Full-back Albert Young, having taken over, succeeded in pushing Lawton's second kick onto a post - but the centre-forward followed up to tap home the rebound and Swindon eventually came away 0-3 losers. The loss of Frank Boulton posed quite a problem for, with Doug Rylands on forces duty overseas, there was now no cover for Sam Burton. This was soon rectified when NORMAN UPRICHARD was secured from Arsenal. The Londoners had brought him across the Irish Sea from the Distillery club of Belfast and had given the Town followers a chance to eye him up in a friendly here during the previous February. Uprichard (pronounced U-pritchard) made his County Ground debut in a Christmas Eve tussle with Torquay, but after a crushing 0-5 home defeat by Nottingham Forest he was rested in favour of Burton. Sam had the job to himself for virtually the whole of 1950, until the Irishman reappeared on Boxing Day - when again the Devon side provided the opposition. Norman had been back for just a dozen games when misfortune struck him at Home Park. Swindon led by a Garth Hudson penalty when the keeper was laid low with an

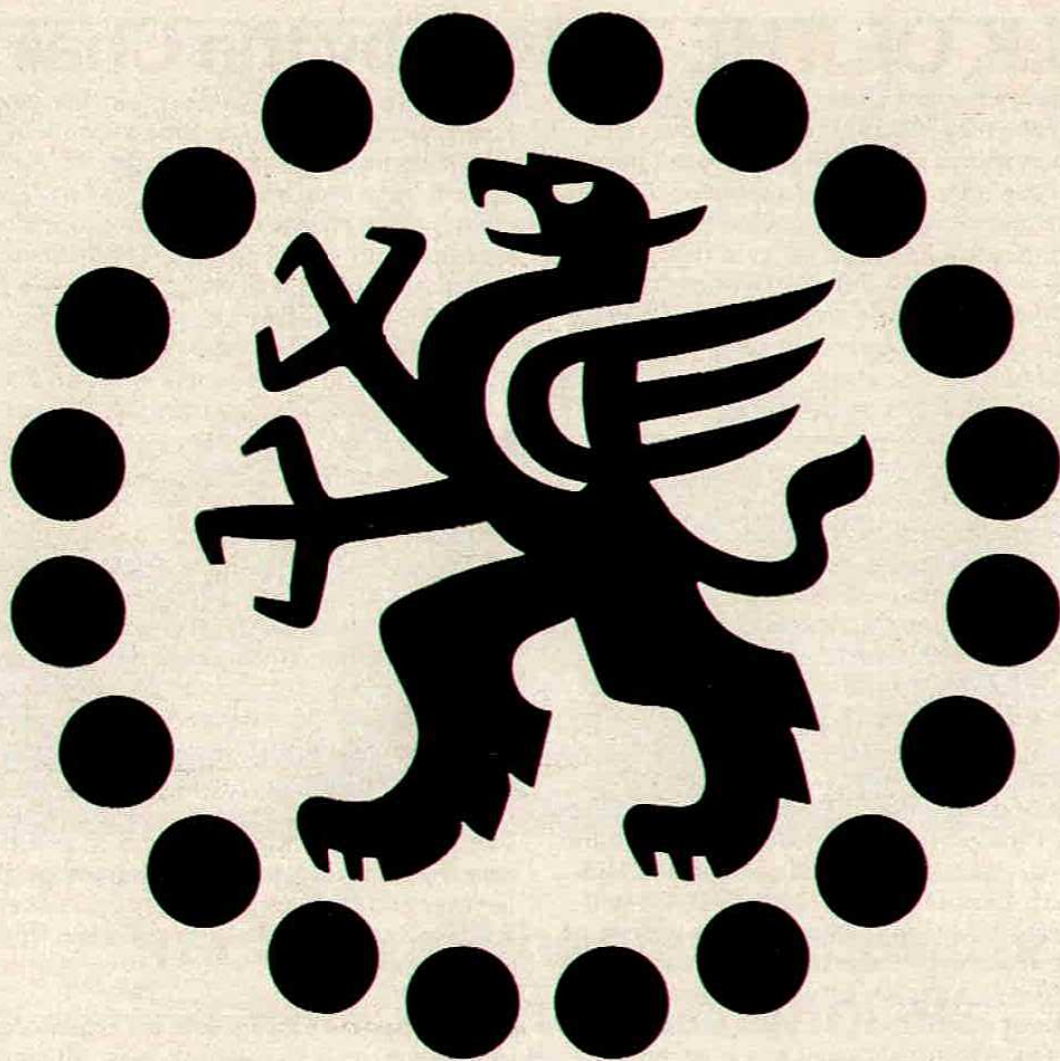
by Paul Plowman

injury to the ribs a few minutes before the interval. Those few minutes were all Maurice Tadman needed to put Argyle on level terms. Uprichard continued as a passenger on the right-wing for some time after the change round while his replacement, Jack Froxton, fished the ball out of the net on four further occasions. In the meantime, Frank Boulton, now recovered had led a posse of Swindon players to Bedford Town - Joe Simner and also Eddie Painter subsequently turning out for the Southern Leaguers. In Belfast Norman Uprichard was called upon to serve his country - making his debut against Scotland in October 1951. After that he kept Sam Burton out of the first team spot at the County Ground for almost a year, until Ireland sent for him again. Those twelve months were not entirely without incident for the Irishman inspired the Town to a nine-game F.A. Cup run which brought in much-needed pennies. On the debit side, Swindon crashed to a 0-9 defeat (their worst-ever in the League) in March 1952. Uprichard was lost with concussion in the first half and the Town needed three keepers in total to get through the ninety minutes at Torquay. Norman received a rap on the back of the head in a mid-air collision with Tommy Northcott and Harry Kaye, Swindon's right-half, kept the keeper's shirt warm while he was off the field dazed. The international returned momentarily - but retired with double vision with the score at 0-4. Left-back Harry May completed the trio.

To be continued



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TALK OF THE TOWN by the Chairman

Since playing our last home game against Hull City we have played against both Reading and Wimbledon and in spite of creating many good chances have only been able to score once with the result that we have been unable to win the points so necessary to keep us up with the leaders of our division. Football history repeats itself over and over again and although many supporters get very despondent when these results happen we know that we can overcome these disappointments and look forward today when we welcome our visitors from Southend who like ourselves have found that form can be very frustrating at times.

Our Reserve Team were successful against Orient on Saturday last and this will be encouraging for Bryan Hamilton who has been honoured by being included in the Northern Ireland International squad when they played against England in Belfast on Wednesday last.

John Trollope continued his winning ways by defeating Chelsea 3-1 in the South East Counties League on the Shrivenham Road training ground last Saturday but lost his first game in the Midland Youth League away at Derby 2-0. We will try and keep you informed as often as we can of the home fixtures in these Leagues but unfortunately the fixtures are often rearranged to suit both clubs at a late hour. Our next Midland Youth League fixture is away to Luton on Thursday, 25th October and the next home fixture is arranged against the Wolves on Thursday, 1st November, kick off 2.0 p.m. on the Shrivenham Road Ground.

On Tuesday last we took a fully representative team to play against a Trowbridge Town side, this game was arranged to help the Memorial Fund as a token of our respect for the late Police Constable Desmond Kellam who gave his life helping to protect our interests whilst on duty in Trowbridge. The public responded very well and the game attracted a crowd of nearly two thousand people and the fund benefited by over a thousand pounds I am told. Our coach firm, Barnes Travel from Aldbourne generously gave their services for this cause and we were delighted to pass their donation of £50 over to the fund. Professional footballers sometimes get accused of being mercenary but our lads were only too pleased to give their services to such a worthy cause and this we have always found with the players at Swindon. The Trowbridge team included in their side several senior professional players including Terry Paine, the former Southampton International, Bobby Gould of West Ham now with Hereford, Colin Tavener of Hereford and Mick Dennehy of

Bristol Rovers. Vince Stroud, brother of our Kenny Stroud and Roger Smart who will be well remembered at Swindon also played. An entertaining game resulted in a win for us 4-1 and we made several changes at half time to include several of our young players. The officials, who gave their services also free of charge were Police Sergeant David Letts of Basingstoke, a League Referee who officiated here at the County Ground a few weeks ago with Police Constable Barry Weston from Bristol and Police Constable David Grey from Churchdown officiating on the lines.

This week we have been selling Cup Tie Tickets for the game at Wimbledon and you will no doubt be surprised by the charge of £2, £3, £4 and £5 for the seats. We at the County Ground keep our charges as low as possible but on such occasions as this at Wimbledon it brings to ones notice the ever increasing costs. This game is not all ticket although with only a seat capacity of two and a half thousand, all seats will be sold.

Their normal attendance of four to five thousand leave room for another ten thousand on their terraces and they are selling ground tickets to try and allocate visitors to separate areas from the home supporters.

Our Supporters Travel Club are organising, well in advance, so if you wish to take advantage of these arrangements, please contact Mick Conley at the Squash Club. Hoping that today will be enjoyable and thank you for your support. I give below the forthcoming fixtures of our youth games.

MIDLAND YOUTH LEAGUE

Games	F.A.	Scorers
W.B.A.	(away) 1-0	Page (pen)
Leicester	(home) 5-2	Page 5 (1 pen)
Wolves	(away) 1-1	Cock
Derby	(home) 2-1	Henry, Page
Birmingham	(home) 2-2	Page 2 (2 pens)
Derby	(away) 0-2	

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES MIDLAND YOUTH

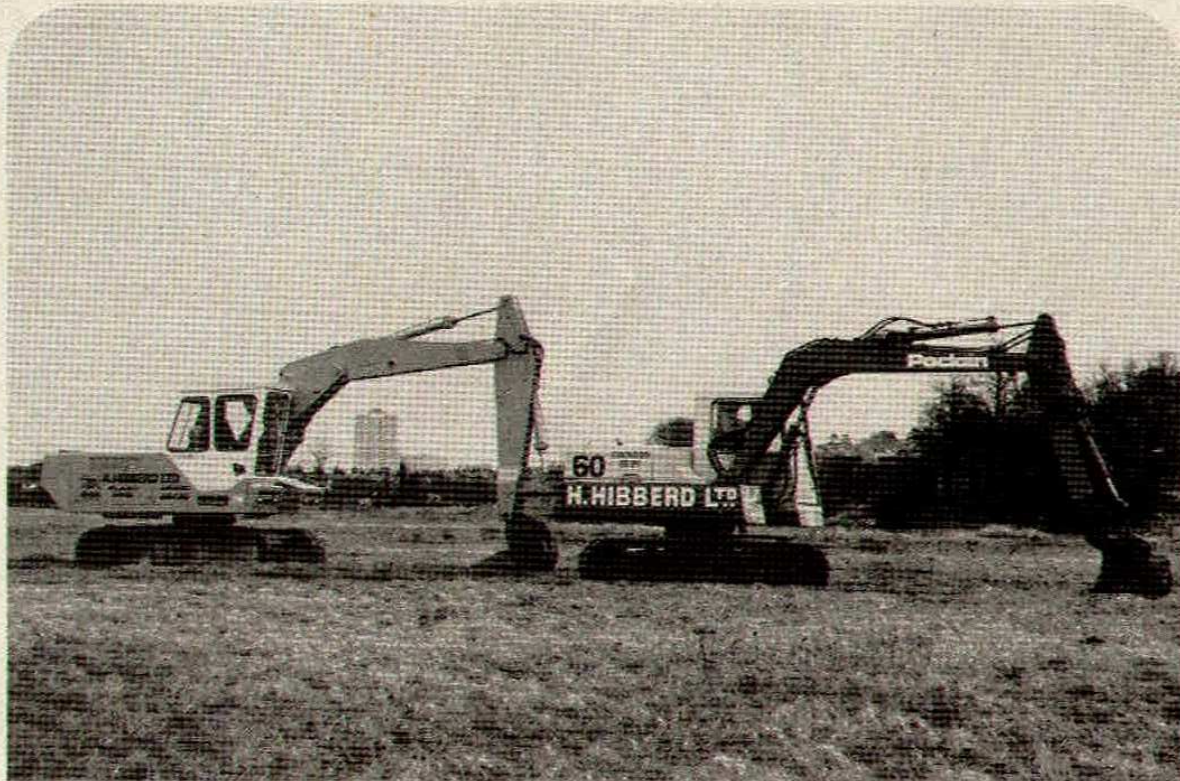
1st November (Thursday) K.O. 2.00 pm. Wolves

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FORTHCOMING GAMES HOME SOUTH EAST COUNTIES

27th October Charlton Athletic K.O. 11.00 a.m.
24th November Peterborough K.O. 11.00 a.m.



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DIVISION 3 Third Dimensions

Millwall earned their first away win of the season at Oxford with first-half goals from John Mitchell and Phil Coleman. Joe Cooke made a last-minute reply for United but it came too late to save the home side a point.

It was an unhappy ending for Chester player-manager Alan Oakes in his 700th League games at Exeter. Although City's Steve Neville missed a 68th minute penalty, top scorer Keith Bowker popped up seven minutes later to give the Devon side both points.

Alan Cork's brace against the Town last weekend doubled his goal count for the season. He had not scored since the Don's opening League game with Chester on August 18.

Rotherham slipped from the top of the table with home defeat against the two Sheffield clubs in consecutive weeks. But gates of 20,355 (for United and just under nineteen thousand have more than doubled the figures for the Millers

first five home games. Richard Finney, currently on eight goals, has just scored in each of Rotherham's last five matches.

Another man to score in five consecutive games recently was, of course, Alan Mayes. He is the first Town man to achieve this feat since Peter Eastoe almost five years ago.

Brentford registered their biggest League score away from home for just over two years - and still lost at Blackpool! - With less than ten minutes to go, the score stood at 3-3 - but Tony Kellow and Derek Spence netted for the Seaside before Jim McNichol's last-minute effort made it 5-4.

Plymouth fell to their seventh consecutive away League defeat at Blackburn when Noel Brotherton got Rovers' only goal six minutes from time. Argyle have managed just two points from sixteen trips since last winning - here at the County Ground last January!

LEAGUE TABLE.....up to and including Saturday October 13th

	P	Home				Away				Pts
		W	D	L	F-A	W	D	L	F-A	
Sheffield Utd	13	6	0	1	16-6	3	1	2	11-11	19
Millwall	13	5	1	0	16-7	1	4	2	7- 9	17
Colchester	13	2	3	1	6-5	5	0	2	8- 8	17
Brentford	12	4	0	1	9- 4	2	3	2	10-11	15
Sheffield W	13	2	2	2	6- 7	3	3	1	13-8	15
Hull City	13	3	3	1	10- 7	1	4	1	5- 5	15
Rotherham Utd	13	5	0	2	16- 6	2	0	4	10-16	14
Chesterfield	13	4	2	0	13- 5	1	1	5	7-13	13
Blackpool	13	5	0	2	18-13	1	1	4	8-14	13
SWINDON TOWN	12	4	2	0	12- 2	1	0	5	7-15	12
Chester	12	2	2	1	6- 5	2	2	3	10-12	12
Reading	12	3	2	1	9- 7	1	2	3	3- 9	12
Barnsley	13	4	1	2	8- 6	1	1	4	2- 8	12
Exeter C	13	4	1	2	6- 5	1	1	4	7-15	12
Oxford Utd	11	4	0	2	14- 6	0	3	2	6- 9	11
Gillingham	10	2	2	1	6- 5	2	1	2	6- 6	11
Blackburn R	13	1	3	3	4- 8	2	2	2	8- 6	11
Wimbledon	12	2	2	2	7- 6	2	1	3	5- 9	11
Carlisle U	13	2	3	1	9- 7	2	0	5	5-12	11
Grimsby T	13	4	1	2	12- 9	0	2	4	2-10	11
Mansfield T	13	4	1	2	14- 9	0	1	5	3- 8	10
Southend U	10	2	0	3	6- 6	1	3	1	4- 5	9
Bury	13	2	2	2	8- 5	1	0	6	3-10	8
Plymouth A	12	2	3	1	10- 7	0	0	6	3-12	7

Football combination

Table of Results to Saturday 13th October, 1979

	P	W	D	L	Goals		Pts
					F	A	
Tottenham Hotspur	12	8	3	1	29	12	19
Fulham	11	9	0	2	23	11	18
Arsenal	12	8	1	3	32	17	17
Norwich City	12	7	2	3	23	10	16
Queens Park Rangers	11	6	3	2	33	24	15
Chelsea	11	7	1	3	22	16	15
Bristol Rovers	12	5	4	3	20	19	14
Southampton	12	5	3	4	20	17	13
Bristol City	10	5	2	3	23	15	12
Luton Town	11	4	4	3	17	13	12
Oxford United	12	3	5	4	18	19	11
West Ham United	12	4	3	5	18	24	11
Crystal Palace	12	3	4	5	20	16	10
Ipswich Town	10	4	2	4	20	17	10
Leicester City	12	4	2	6	19	24	10
Plymouth Argyle	11	4	2	5	20	28	10
Cardiff City	10	3	2	5	13	15	8
Orient	12	3	2	7	8	13	8
Swindon Town	12	2	2	8	9	25	6
Hereford United	11	1	3	7	14	28	5
Birmingham City	10	1	2	7	7	22	4
Reading	10	1	2	7	14	37	4

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Next Match

Tuesday next, 23rd October

DIVISION III

Plymouth Argyle
K.O. 7.30 p.m.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION 2

Games	F.A.	Scorers
Crystal Palace (home)	2-0	Rustell 2
Cambridge (home)	4-2	Cock, Rideout, Blackler, Swatton
Wimbledon (home)	2-3	Round, Rideout
Peterborough (away)	0-0	—
Bristol Rovers (home)	6-0	Swatton 3, Cock, Rideout Blackler
Charlton Ath. (away)	5-0	Rideout 2, Round Rustell, Swatton
Chelsea (home)	3-1	Rideout 2, Rustell



Swindon's goalscorer Andy Rowland (dark shirt) attempts to get goal number two at Reading but is beaten by the home defence.

IN TOWN TODAY: SOUTHEND UNITED



Back Row (L to R): Dave Smith (Manager), Steve Yates, Peter Abbott, Mickey Tuohy, John Latimer (Assistant Manager)
 Third Row: Alan Moody, Tony Hadley, Graham Horn, Gerry Fell, Derrick Parker.
 Second Row: Phil Dudley, John Walker, Mervyn Cawston, David Cusack, Andy Polycarpou.
 Front Row: Colin Morris, Micky Stead, Ron Pountney, Anton Otulakowski, Terry Gray.

Southend slip after great start

Southend United made one of their best-ever starts to a season by winning their opening five League and Cup games --- in spite of the fact that the entire club was disrupted by a bout of food poisoning on the eve of the big kick-off!

Indeed, the Football League agreed to postpone their first game to enable the players to recover. But the Shrimpers showed absolutely no ill-effects as they defeated Brentford 2-1 at home and 4-1 away in the League Cup and then set up League victories over Carlisle (1-0 home), and Wimbledon (1-0 away).

Southend then won a League Cup tie away to First Division Bolton (2-1) before suffering their first reverse --- at home to Rotherham (0-2).

Though they subsequently put up some fine performances in the League Cup --- taking West Ham to a third game before losing in the third round --- they slumped dramatically in the Third Division. They come to the County Ground today with only one win in their last eight League games. That was at home to Plymouth (4-1) in mid-September. They haven't won away in the League since their success at Wimbledon in their first away game. Subsequent away results have gone: Blackburn (1-1), Reading (1-1), Brentford (0-2) and Bury (1-1).

Southend returned to the Third Division last season, following a two-year spell in the Fourth, and once they had found their feet the Shrimpers moved into top gear by November. For some weeks they kept on the fringe of the promotion group and, thus encouraged, manager David Smith invested a total of £100,000 in two players --- defender Mike Stead, from Tottenham, and midfielder Anton Otulokowski, from West Ham.

Stead made more than a dozen appearances in Tottenham's League eleven and was loaned to Swansea City in 1976/77. Otulokowski first made an impression with Barnsley and the Hammers paid £60,000 for him in 1977. He didn't get many first-team opportunities at Upton Park, however, and he was happy to make a fresh start with Southend.

Southend moved into late April on an unbeaten run of 11 matches. Then came their slump and a drop into the final middle-of-the-table position.

Stead now plays in the middle of Southend's defence, alongside Steve Yates, with Phil Dudley and Alan Moody filling the full-back positions. When Yates was unavailable, John Walker came into the middle.

Yates played First Division football for Leicester, making his first appearance as substitute in 1973/74. He never quite made it as a regular at Filbert Street, though, but has thrived since signing for Southend two seasons ago.

Dudley came through from the junior teams to make his senior bow two seasons ago. Moody won England schoolboy caps and his first club was Middlesbrough. He played his first League soccer with the Borough in 1968/69 and completed some 50 games in their first-team. He joined Southend in 1972 and has been a permanent member of their defence since.

Walker made his initial appearance in the Southend side as substitute in 1977/78 and is not yet a regular senior player.

Goalkeeper Mervyn Cawston was usually the second choice in his Norwich days and he was previously with Southend on loan in 1974/75. He also spent loan periods with Leicester, Newport and Gillingham before leaving Carrow Road to join Chicago Stings in 1977. Southend paid £20,000 for him last season.

Midfield players are usually Otulokowski, David Cusack and Terry Gray.

Cusack got his chance in League soccer with Sheffield Wednesday in 1975/76 and made more than 100 senior appearances for the Owls before his transfer to Southend last season. Gray, a summer signing from Huddersfield, was once with Chelsea as a schoolboy. Huddersfield gave him his professional chance and he was their top scorer with 19 goals in 1975/76. Then a broken leg interrupted his career.

Colin Morris, Micky Tuohy and Ron Pountney will probably form the attack.

Morris, currently top scorer with six goals, has been the subject of transfer speculation in recent weeks. He played several League games for Burnley prior to his 1976 transfer to Southend. He scored 13 goals in 1977/78 and added seven more last season.

Southend paid non-League Redditch £15,000 for Tuohy this summer and he celebrated his first League game for them by scoring the winning goal against Carlisle. He was previously with Walsall and has now scored five times for Southend.

Pountney made his League bow for Walsall in 1972/73 but spent the following season with Port Vale. Southend signed him in 1974 and he has scored three goals for them this season.

September Match Statistics

LEAGUE CUP September 5	DIVISION 3 September 8	DIVISION 3 September 15	DIVISION 3 September 18	DIVISION 3 September 22	LEAGUE CUP September 26	DIVISION 3 September 29	Comp. Date
Chester Away 1-1	Rotherham Away 0-3	Chesterfield Home 2-1	Chester Home 3-1	Sheffield W. Away 2-4	Stoke C. Away 2-2	Grimsby Home 3-0	Opponents Venue Result
Allan	Allan	Ogden	Ogden	Allan	Allan	Allan	1
Templeman	Templeman	Templeman	Templeman	Carter	Lewis	Lewis	2
Lewis	Lewis	Lewis	Lewis	Templeman	Templeman	Templeman	3
McHale	McHale	McHale	McHale	McHale	McHale	McHale	4
Tucker	Tucker	Tucker	Tucker	Tucker	Tucker	Tucker	5
Stroud	Stroud	Stroud	Stroud	Stroud	Stroud	Stroud	6
Miller	Miller	Miller	Miller	Miller	Miller	Miller	7
Carter	Carter	Carter	Carter	Kamara	Carter	Carter	8
Rowland	Rowland	Rowland	Rowland	Rowland	Rowland	Rowland	9
Mayes	Mayes	Mayes	Mayes	Mayes	Mayes	Mayes	10
Williams	Williams	Williams	Williams	Williams	Williams	Williams	11
Not used	Kamara	Kamara	Kamara	Not used	Not used	Not used	12
3930	4672	6176	6102	11636	15255	6825	Player replaced Gate
Mayes (86)		Rowland (32) Kamara (86)	Mayes (72) Rowland (77) Miller (88)	McHale (44P) Mayes (88)	Mayes (42) Rowland (87)	McHale (28P) Carter (58) Mayes (61)	Scorers (mins.) (P=penalty)

Football Combination

Sep. 1 NORWICH CITY Away 0-3

Roberts; Beattie, Walters; Ellery, Henry, Norman;
Abbeley, Kamara, Bates, Page, Hamilton.
Sub: Willoughby.

Sep. 8 BRISTOL ROVERS Home 0-1

Ogden; Beattie, Walters; Ellery, Henry, Willoughby;
Abbeley, Hughes, Gilchrist, Bates, Hamilton.
Sub: Page.

Sep. 12 READING Away 1-2 (Bates)

Roberts; Beattie, Walters; Ellery, Henry, Trollope;
Abbeley, Fuller, Gilchrist, Bates, Hamilton.
Sub: Raynor.

Sep. 22 CHELSEA Home 0-2

Roberts; Norman, Ford; Walters, Henry, Hughes;
Abbeley, Ellery, Gilchrist, Bates, Hamilton

AMENDMENT – AUGUST STATISTICS

Div. 3 Brentford/Reading No. 5 should read LEWIS not Tucker.

Sep. 27 CARDIFF CITY Away 1-5 (Bates)

Ogden; Norman, Tranter; Blackler, Henry, Ellery;
Abbeley, Kamara, Gilchrist, Bates, Hamilton

Sep. 29 HEREFORD UNITED Away 3-1
(Kamara, Gilchrist 2)

Roberts; Norman, Walters; Hughes, Henry, Ellery;
Abbeley, Kamara, Gilchrist, Raynor, Hamilton

MIDLAND YOUTH LEAGUE:

Sep. 5 WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS
Away 1-1 (Cock)

Twigger; Baillie, Norman; Hughes, Henry, Blackler;
Rustell, McKitterick, Wood, Page, Willoughby.
Sub: Cock.

Sep. 13 DERBY COUNTY Home 2-1 (Page, Henry)

Twigger; Bavererstock, Blackler; Hughes, Henry,
Round; Rustell, Cock, Rideout, Page, Willoughby.



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ALAN MAYES KEEPS IN TOUCH

Though Alan Mayes has not scored in any of our last three games, he is still only one behind the country's leading scorer. Indeed, but for a fantastic recent scoring burst by Southampton's Phil Boyer, Alan would still have been level top.

Boyer scored hat-tricks for the Saints in successive home games against Derby and Crystal Palace and his goal last Saturday in their shock 2-3 home defeat by Coventry took his total to 12. Coventry had previously lost all their away games this season and Southampton's defeat can only have been put down to complacency.

Now that they have completed the signing of England centre-back Dave Watson --- from West German club Werder Bremen for £200,000 --- the Saints can be expected to maintain their Championship challenge. Watson is expected to make his debut for Southampton at West Bromwich today.

Southampton now have three proven goal-scorers in Boyer, Mike Channon and Charlie George and with the skills of Steve Williams and drive of Alan Ball in midfield they certainly have a very impressive all-round team.

Yet manager Lawrie McMenemy is realistic enough to appreciate that his side cannot yet match the likes of Liverpool and Forest and concedes that his major hope is to finish high enough to earn a place in Europe next season.

"Our main problem is when we have two or three players injured," he said. "Don't misunderstand me --- we have some very good players in the reserves who will do a good job but it's not the same as having about 14 or 15 internationals on your books as clubs like Liverpool have. Their sort of situation also keeps the pressure on the players currently in the first-team."

Derby County have already used 22 players in their first-team this season. Manager Colin Addison's latest recruit is centre-back Keith Osgood, a £150,000 signing from Coventry. He went into the side as replacement for the injured Roy McFarland. Osgood's Derby debut corresponded with the club's best win of the season --- 4-0 at home to Bolton in a game in which Paul Emson, making his first appearance of the season, scored two goals.

This has been a season of contrasting fortunes for Crystal Palace forward Ian Walsh. He lost his place in the Palace side when they signed Mike Flanagan during the summer but he has still managed to hold his place in the Wales' team. Over the first couple of months of the season, Ian didn't make one full appearance for

Palace and, though he was actually on the field for little more than an hour on some occasions as substitute, he still managed to score three goals. One of his most vital was the equaliser in their home encounter with Tottenham.

Portsmouth's unbeaten record finally came to grief at Torquay where they went down 1-2 but, before that, they set up a new record for Fourth Division football. Since the Fourth Division was founded 21 years ago, only Mansfield (in 1972/73) and Wimbledon (last season) had managed to take 19 points from their opening 11 games. Pompey went one better with 20 points from 11 matches and then went down in their next match.

The country's top scorers at the moment are:

	League (Div)	L.Cup	Euro	Total comps
Boyer (Southampton)	9	(1)	3	- 12
MAYES (SWINDON)	7	(3)	4	- 11
Robins (Huddersfield)	9	(4)	2	- 11
Walsh (Darlington)	10	(4)	1	- 11
Austin (Mansfield)	8	(3)	2	- 10
Fletcher (Huddersfield)	9	(4)	1	- 10
Garwood (Portsmouth)	10	(4)	-	- 10
Kellock (Peterborough)	7	(4)	3	- 10
Moss (Luton)	10	(2)	-	- 10

Former Swindon forward David Moss scored both of Luton's goals in their 2-0 victory over Sunderland last Saturday and he now has ten goals to his credit --- four of them from penalties.

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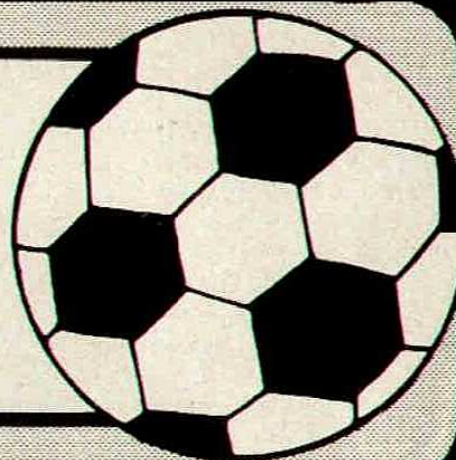
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He is a Police Officer, and played for the British Police team at rugby. His interests are cross-country running and flat green bowls.

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