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Gerry Summers Column

Although promotion is a priority, to go out of the F.A. Cup in the First Round was a bitter pill to swallow. The first game was indeed disappointing and I don't think we showed the necessary urgency to keep Wimbledon under pressure. Having said that our pitch was a little difficult to play on as I found out when training with the players on the Monday morning. All the rain had left the pitch dead and it was indeed difficult to get any pace on the ball. Our game is about passing and movement and the condition certainly didn't help.

The replay saw us make far too many mistakes. In fact, Wimbledon must have thought that Christmas had come early. We had enjoyed the majority of the ball at the start of the game when we needlessly gave away a corner that resulted in their first goal. Danny Westwood and Ken Price combined to immediately get us an equaliser. Again, we held the upper hand only to give away an unnecessary free kick on the edge of the box from which they scored their second goal. Two goals to one down at half time we badly wanted an early goal to make it anyone's game especially as we had the advantage of the

considerable slope and the wind. Ken Price tried to oblige in the opening seconds of the second period, bursting clear he put in a tremendous shot which brought an equally stunning save from Ray Goddard and that proved to be the game's turning point.

We contrived to give another goal away but even at 1-3 down a goal for us would have brought us back into contention but, when they got the fourth, although Ken Price got us another goal and we went close on several other occasions, their goalkeeper and so many earlier unforced errors proved too much.

The only consolation is that it wasn't two points thrown away but I know how supporters look forward to a run in the Cup. To be realistic, we never had a chance of winning the F.A. Cup but we have a chance of getting promotion. I don't think anyone can look at Division Three and name, with any certainty, the teams that will go up. Cup matches for a Third Division side can only bring glamour and money but on the debit side it can also give injuries and suspensions. I feel sure a side involved in Cup ties can often forget their first priority — the League.

Today's game with Swindon is of course vital, two points for us bring us nearer our realisation of Division Two football; there is, however, a long way to go. It will, today, be a hard fought affair but I hope players and spectators will concentrate on today's game and forget the problems that we had last season. Our supporters must make the home advantage tell for us and so must my players.

Come on, you Gills!



OUR VISITORS today

SWINDON

The pre-season tips for promotion this season were undoubtedly looking at last season's final League table. Whereas Gillingham had their admirers, Swindon Town were reckoned the team that everybody had to beat.

With the seasons programme nearly halfway through, Swindon are looking good bets to make sure that nobody has any doubts about their potential.

Not only are they looking good in the League, but they have also reached the last eight of the League Cup and last Saturday clinically disposed of Brentford in the F.A. Cup.

Swindon's team this afternoon will be selected from the following:-

Steve Abbley (Forward). A young winger who will challenge for a place in the first team this season, but he had not made his debut at the beginning of the season.

Jimmy Allan (Goalkeeper). Born Inverness, was signed from Scot-

tish Non-League football in October 1970. Although he made his debut in September 1971, he had to wait for a first team place. Had made 183 League appearances to the end of the last season.

Chick Bates (Forward). A native of West Bromwich. Started his League career with Shrewsbury Town in 1974. Signed for Swindon in January 1978 and had made 52 appearances to the end of last season.

Roy Carter (Midfield). The 1979 'Player of the Year' at Swindon. Born at Torpoint, Cornwall. Signed for Swindon in December 1977 and had made 66 appearances to the end of last season.

Andy Ford (Defender). From Minehead. He signed for Swindon during the 1977 close season and had made 74 League appearances to the end of last season.

Paul Gilchrist (Forward). A native of Dartford. Played for Southampton

with whom he won an F.A. Cup Winners Medal in 1976. In September 1976, he moved to Swindon on a free-transfer. He made 15 League appearances last season.

Bryan Hamilton (Midfield). From Belfast, he is a Northern Ireland International with 46 caps to his credit, his first English Club was Ipswich from where he was transferred to Everton and Millwall before a move to Swindon as player-coach in November 1978.

Chris Kamara (Midfield) comes from Middlesbrough. Transferred to Swindon in the summer of 1977 after 56 League appearances for Portsmouth. Has since made 74 more for the Wiltshire Club. He usually plays on the right hand side of midfield, but can also operate on the wing.

Russell Lewis (Defender). From Wales, he was signed from Welsh League football in the early part of the 1975/76 season.

Ray McHale (Midfield). A native of Sheffield he made his League debut for Chesterfield in the 1971/72 season. He signed for Swindon in September, 1976, and had made 130 appearances in the League to the end of last season. He usually plays in the centre of midfield.

Alan Mayes (Forward). From London. Signed for Swindon in February 1979. He played 22 games for Swindon last season and had the unusual distinction of scoring a hat trick on his debut in a game at Rotherham. A mobile player who normally operates beside the centre-forward.

Ian Miller (Forward). From Perth, signed for Doncaster in August 1975 and had a regular first team place before his transfer to Swindon in the summer of 1978.



BACK ROW (Left to Right): Wilf Tranter (Coach), Brian Williams, Kenny Stroud, Russell Lewis, John Templeman, Jimmy Allan, Kevin Roberts, Chris Ogden, Andy Ford, Billy Tucker, Chris Kamara, Roy Carter, Bob Smith (Team Manager).

FRONT ROW: Bryan Hamilton, Paul Gilchrist, Chick Bates, Ray McHale (Captain), Ian Miller, Alan Mayes, Andy Rowland.

Chris Ogden (Goalkeeper). Chris comes from Oldham and made 128 League appearances for Oldham Athletic. Signed for Swindon in August 1978. Played 22 League games last season.

Kevin Roberts (Goalkeeper). From Bristol. Joined Swindon in March 1977. He has made 3 first team appearances.

Andy Rowland (Forward). From Derby. Made 166 League appearances for Bury in the 1973/74 season before his move to Swindon in September 1978. A strong traditional centre forward.

Ken Stroud (Defender). Originally from London Ken is one of the longest serving players at the Club having joined from school. He signed professional in 1970 and made his League debut in 1971/72 season. He had played 200 League games to the end of last season, many of them in midfield, although more

recently he has settled into his favourite position playing beside the centre half in the middle of the defence.

John Templeman (Defender). Comes from Yarton, Sussex. Made his League debut for Brighton in the 1966/67 season. He was a member of the side which won promotion to the Second Division in the 1971/72. Signed for Swindon in the 1979 close season.

Billy Tucker (Defender). From Hereford he played at Hereford United until they eventually reached the Second Division. He moved to Bury in December 1976 before moving to Swindon in June 1979.

Brian Williams (Midfield). Another of Swindon's former Bury players. He signed for Swindon in the 1978 close season and made 23 League appearances last season, very competitive player.

Roger J. Triggs

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Record Receipts: £24,494 v Everton (F.A. Cup) 1976-77.

Record Victory: 10-1 v Farnham United Breweries (F.A. Cup) 1925-26

Record Defeat: 1-10 v Manchester City (F.A. Cup) 1929-30.

Record Transfer Fee Paid: £88,000 to Wolverhampton Wanderers for Peter Eastoe, March 1974.

Record Transfer Fee Received: £150,000 from Crystal Palace for Don Rogers, October 1972.

Record Goalscorer: Harry Morris with 47 goals in season 1926-27.

Honours: Football League Cup Winners 1968-69. Div. 3 Runners-Up: 1962-63, 1968-69. Anglo-Italian Cup Winners 1970.

Manager: Bobby Smith has been in charge at the County Ground since May 1978. As a player, he played for Manchester United (whilst with them he won England Schoolboy and Youth Caps), Scunthorpe, Grimsby, Brighton, Chester, Hartlepool and Bury. It was with Bury that he began his managerial career before moving for a spell at Port Vale and then on to Swindon.

GILLS v SWINDON LEAGUE RECORD

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|-------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| At Priestfield: | 35 | 19 | 13 | 3 | 63 | 31 | 51 |
| At County Ground: | 35 | 4 | 8 | 23 | 27 | 72 | 16 |
| | 70 | 23 | 21 | 26 | 90 | 103 | 67 |



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Division 3 Round-up

Poor Oxford United must be sick and tired of their form in F.A. Cup ties in recent years — in fact United have not progressed into the Second Round since 1972. Two seasons ago, the "U's" travelled to Southern League Nuneaton and crashed 2-0. Last season, they were again drawn away, this time at Colchester and, despite twice being a goal in front, succumbed to intense pressure finally losing 4-2. Last week, Oxford were again away in the first Round tie. This time the opposition were Isthmian League Champions Barking who were so confident of beating their Third Division rivals that they didn't even bother to have Oxford watched. United were only eight minutes away from forcing a replay when Tony Brothers scored the only goal of the game to give Barking the chance of further Cup glory — and Oxford yet another Cup headache.

Reading goal-blitz

Reading were given a good opportunity to atone for their recent 7-1 drubbing by Chesterfield when drawn at home to Alliance League side Kettering in the First Round of the F.A. Cup. Obviously, the Royals defence was still suffering the effects of such a mauling as Peter Phipps put the visitors in front after just nine minutes. Although Reading equalized after 18 minutes (Mike Kearney) it was Phipps who scored his second just a minute later to give Kettering a 2-1 lead at half time. In the second half it was a different story as Reading blitzed their way into the draw for the Second Round with three goals in just four minutes. Firstly Ollie Kearns scored after 54 minutes, then Kearney grabbed his second a minute later and then Gary Heale made it safe at 4-2 after 58 minutes.

Quick to score

It was quite surprising to note just how many Division Three sides virtually sealed a Second Round place by scoring early goals in last week's F.A. Cup ties. Mansfield's John McClelland scored after nine minutes to cut short Blyth Spartans Cup-run with Russ Allen making sure after 36 minutes. Second-half goals by Speight and Matthews followed John McPhail's third-minute header as Sheffield United comfortably disposed of Burscough. Bury's Craig Madden took just 51 seconds to put his side into the lead away to Burton Albion — Paul Hilton making it safe at 2-0 just 19 minutes later. Henderson scored the quickest goal of the day after only 38 seconds as Chester romped home 5-1 against Working-

ton. Blackburn Rovers' Paul Round scored his first goal of the season (3 mins.) and Joe Craig added number two as Rovers moved comfortably into the next round at Kidderminster. Mark Smith was once again 'spot-on' as he successfully converted his sixth consecutive penalty after six minutes at home to Lincoln City, further goals from close-season signings Jeff King (formerly from Walsall) and Andy McCullough (ex-Brentford) giving the Owls a well-deserved 3-0 win. Ian Miller scored twice as today's opponents Swindon ripped Brentford's defence apart in the first 45 minutes. Miller's first goal was after just five minutes, with his second coming seven minutes before the interval. In between Chris Kamara (21 minutes) and Roy Carter (25 minutes) completed the rout before the Bees had realized what had hit them. Dennis Smith getting some respectability to the scoreline with his sides only goal after 59 minutes.

David Garth

Supporters Association

WITH THE GILLS. Although the team has been accused of indifferent form of late it is interesting to see that only one of the last seven games played up to and including the Cup match here last Saturday has been lost. Three wins and three draws is a good return and a continuation of your vocal support will help the "Gills" maintain their climb up the League. We need to win by at least two goals today to go above Swindon. Both teams can play great football on their day, so let us hope that all the interest today's game has generated will be rewarded by a football classic. INTO THE 80's, INTO DIVISION TWO.

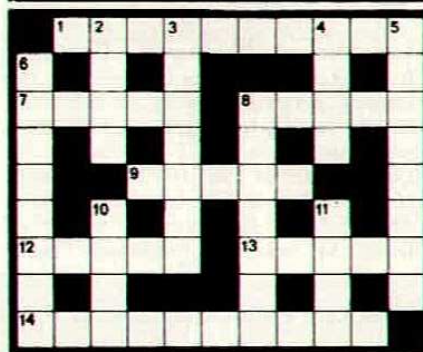
TODAY'S MASCOT. Terry Nicholl is the favourite player of ten years old Richard Welfare of Banky Meadow, Barming, Maidstone. Plays football for his school and club teams. Is interested in all sports and enjoys stamp collecting.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE BLUES SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION is open to all and the list is steadily growing as more supporters are taking advantage of our ground and travel insurance schemes. These not only cover you travelling to and from a "Gills" match at home or away by train but also cover you against injury at the game, as well as at any football match in Great Britain or Northern Ireland. Full details from the Office. Members also enjoy 10%

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Gillsword



Across:

1. "... eight, who do we---? (10)
7. Lanky striker who appeared over 300 times for Portsmouth and netted over 100 goals before having a spell with Reading (5)
8. One of Scotland's Grays (5)
9. Former Exeter, Carlisle and Torquay winger who was — oddly, it would appear — an Irish international (5)
12. Club that for several seasons fielded both Sac and his brother (5)
13. He followed Dennis Butler as manager of Port Vale (5)
14. Forward who reached 200 League games for Colchester last season (5,5)

Down:

2. See 11dn
3. One of "The Auld Firm" (7)
4. Another of Scotland's Grays (4)
5. For how long will we support you? (8)
6. These from the crowd can sometimes confuse players (8)
8. Famous former Benfica and Portugal star... (7)
10. who, in his hey-day, was labelled "The European---" (4)
- 11 & 2dn. Plymouth's place (4,4)

SOLUTIONS

10. Pele, 11 & 2dn. Home Park.
5. Evermore, 6. whistles, 8. Eusebio,
2. See 11dn, 3. Rangers, 4. Andy,
Down:
14. Steve Foley.
9. Welsh, 12. Leeds, 13. Bloor,
1. appreciate, 7. Hiron, 8. Eddie,
Across:



match report

GILLINGHAM
MILLWALL

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South East Counties League

The young Gills striving to establish some continuity in results ran head-first into a man on Saturday who is destined for a high flying future. Kevin O'Callaghan, for whom an American club has already offered a fortune and in whom Bobby Robson has taken more than a passing interest although the asking price is rumoured to be £500,000, showed that there is no substitute for experience. His presence was the difference between the sides. Millwall, scoring three in an eight minute spell caught the Gills 1-4 behind by half time. The lone Gillingham goal coming from the penalty spot, Micky Adams converting. Millwall increased their lead after the break before David Young got a second goal for Gillingham.

Gills: Sutton, Colgan, Young S., Dudley, Doust, Wakelin, Moore, Donn, Bottiglieri, Young D., Adams, Sage.

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F.A. Cup First Round

The Cup often brings an exciting brand of football but at Priestfield on Saturday it was a game that looked for long periods to have only one result, a stalemate goalless draw. Neither goalkeeper was extended as the game was fought out in midfield for most of the time. Ron Hillyard, however, saved well from Alan Cork at close quarters in the first period. This effort could well have been the difference between the two sides. Terry Nicholl shaved the post with a twenty yard drive but although there was considerable pressure on the 'Dons' defence in the last few moments a goal looked unlikely.

Gills: Hillyard, Young C., Barker, Overton, Weatherly, Crabbe, Nicholl, White, Price, Westwood, Richardson, Funnell.

WIMBLEDON
GILLINGHAM

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F.A. Cup First Round

Coming so quickly after a drab goalless match at Priestfield, the supporters were treated to six goals and plenty of excitement before 4612 spectators at Plough Lane.

The home side went in front after fourteen minutes when John Leslie rose above the Gills defence to head home. Gillingham replied immediately with a spectacular bicycle kick from Ken Price, following a cross from Danny Westwood on the right.

The home side regained the lead after twenty five minutes when Charlie Young was adjudged to have pushed a Wimbledon player on the edge of the box. From the resultant free kick the ball was touched on by Mark Dziadulewicz to Ray Lewington and Steve Parsons hammered the left foot shot into the net.

In the sixty seventh minute the Gillingham cause took another step back when Micky Barker was caught in possession on the left, the ball winner, Dziadulewicz curved the shot around the advancing Ron Hillyard into the net. Wimbledon went further in front in the eighty fourth minute when John Leslie finished a move that was brought about by John Overton losing possession just inside the Gillingham half. Ken Price notched his second goal five minutes from time when he outpace the Wimbledon defence to score with his left foot.

Gills: Hillyard, Young, Barker, Overton, Weatherly, Crabbe, Nicholl, White, Price, Westwood, Richardson, Funnell.



Mark Weatherly falls, but still gets in a shot during the first half of the Grimsby match.

Scrapbook TEN YEARS AGO

The Gills had a respite from their struggle for Third Division survival with a home Cup tie against Tamworth on Saturday 6 December 1969. And what a memorable occasion that turned out to be.

After Ken Pound had opened the scoring, Ray Bailey made it 2-0 — with only ten minutes gone — and then delighted the crowd by completing his hat-trick before half-time. Second half scores from Mike Green

and Andy Smillie gave Gills a runaway 6-0 victory and the reward of a home game with Newport County in the third round.

Team: Simpson, Mechin, Peach, Bailey, Galvin, Quirke, Woodley, Tydenan, Green, Smillie, Pound.

On the following Saturday the team travelled to play second-placed Rochdale and returned with a well earned point from a goalless draw.

Although still firmly entrenched in the relegation zone, Gillingham had been beaten only once in six games and if maximum points could be extracted from successive home fixtures, against Brighton and Fulham, a glimmer of hope would be kindled.

Social Club

Membership. Unfortunately for to-days home fixture with Swindon we will be unable to cater for any visiting supporters before the game. This will also apply to our own supporters that are not already members. We have now got a full Membership and any applications being recieved are returned. Many problems have been caused by non members in the past and we do not want any recurrences.

Entertainment. Members Only. This will apply when we next have entertainment on a Saturday evening. It is one of many measures to curb recent events and bring back some order...

Our next entertainment is at Christmas, on Christmas Eve we have the "Gary Jenson Disco", Boxing Day Eve we have "Tims Imp Disco" and on New Years Eve we have a country and western evening with "Ray Garrett".

Away Travel. Booking will be taken after the game today for next Saturday's trip to Rotherham. The coach is departing at 8.30 a.m. Bookings can be made at the Social Club any night of the week on Medway 51385. Please ask for Alan or Gloria Lip-trott. Booking can be taken in the day on Medway 63561... Book early so as not to be disappointed.

New Committee Members. At the time of going to print we have to inform you that we have co-opted three new members on to the committee. Mr. Charlie Oddy, Mr. Geoff Smith and Mr. Ray Walker.

Follow The Gills

To Rotherham Sat 8th December 1979

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Gills Chat

ROYAL AIRFORCE POLICEDOG DEMONSTRATION TEAM

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The appearances of the RAF Police Dog Demonstration teams at the Royal Tournament and at various shows throughout Britain are well known, but the precision of obedience work and the amusing tricks they perform do belie the immense contribution they make to the security of the Royal Air Force.

Night after night, in all weathers, the lone handler and his dog patrol airfields and important installations. The dog is trained to scent the intruder on the wind. However, much we might resent the suggestion that we smell, if the dog could speak he would tell us that we all smell differently; to him that scent is as good as a fingerprint is to a detective. The handler is trained to "read" his dog so that he can tell instantly when the animal has made a "pick-up". Thereafter, he will set the dog to follow the scent and will "run-in" with his dog.



All the dogs received into the Royal Air Force are gifts from the public, and since dogs were first introduced into the Service in 1941 many thousands of Alsatis have been accepted and trained. Dogs are eligible for acceptance provided that they are over fifteen months old and have the right physique and temperament for the exacting training they will be required to undergo. Specialists from the RAF Police Depot will examine the dog and any relevant papers, and if the dog is acceptable, will take him there and then.

The new recruit, just like his human counterpart, will find things strange at first in his new surroundings. For a short period, he will be 'quarantined' and looked after by devoted kennelmaids. He will then be moved to the training kennel "ranges" and be teamed up with a handler returning, perhaps, from overseas, or a new recruit like himself. Considerable care is taken in matching the handler with the dog, as it is important that the team be psychologically "attuned" to each other.

Commercial News

At our game against Blackpool on November the 3rd, a collection was made on the ground for the 'Help the Hospitals Fund'. Since this collection we have put on sale around the towns a 10p. 'Grand Xmas Draw' ticket, with all proceeds in aid of this fund. There are some excellent prizes to be won and besides the main prizes we have had many more kindly donated by local trades people, and we would like to express our thanks to the following for their donation — From Gillingham — A.W. Matthews, V.A.S., Mr & Mrs Joyce, Mr. Reeves (Medway Photo Centre), Barnaby Recordings, Arthur Hilditch, Burton Bros, Cicatronics, Messrs. Brown and Gray, Fishers, Michael Ward, Sid Daly, Mr. Pope, Halfords, Godfrey Earle, Startrack, Mrs. Cross,

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Dave Pomeroy

TERRY NICHOLL claims to be one who has changed the style of British football; having played for nine managers in three divisions during his spells with four Football League clubs in nine years. "When I started at Gresty Road Crewe things didn't look too promising, the first year we were ninety second in the Football League and the following season we only climbed one position!" Out of adversity there always comes a salvation and in Terry's case the salvation was a move to, as they were then, first division Sheffield United. The fee for that move, a big one for the day - £23,000. Terry spent two and a half years at Bramall Lane under first John Harris and then Ken Furphy before being transferred to Roots Hall Southend. Terry was part of the deal that took Chris Guthrie to Yorkshire. At Southend Terry was again to serve under two manager, the first being Arthur Rowley. It was the present day boss at Roots Hall, Dave Smith who allowed both Terry and Ken Price to move to Priestfield. "It's nice to have been able to take maximum points from the Shrimpers since we left", says Terry who, one feels might have had a fairer deal from the Shrimpers. It's almost exactly three years ago since Terry joined the Priestfield staff, in that time he has settled into his midfield role, showing the composure and hard running that made him a first division player in his earlier days.

He married in the summer break and has moved into the football haven of Macklands Way where Ron Hillyard, Graham Knight, Danny Westwood, Terry and 'Jimbo' a close associate of the Chatham Town playing staff, are considering starting a resident's side. Terry spent some time at Lilleshall in the summer



passing his preliminary coaching exam with John Overton - he hopes to go back next summer to take the advanced test. Terry who does a number of school's coaching sessions admits to not having a lot of time for outside hobbies - having a wife who

works in London gives him plenty of opportunities to show his talents around the house and the garden. He is hoping to form the Macklands Way horticultural society very soon, says Terry, "not all my talent is on the football field".

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| Aug 11 | Luton (LC1) | H | 3 | 0 | 6222 | Price (2), Barker (pen) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Aug 14 | Luton (LC1) | A | 1 | 1 | 5509 | Crabbe | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | — | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Aug 18 | Blackpool | A | 1 | 2 | 5253 | Westwood | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 9 | 2 | 12 | — | — | — |
| Aug 25 | Millwall | H | 1 | 1 | 8769 | Price | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Aug 28 | Norwich (LC2) | H | 1 | 1 | 10594 | Overton | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Sept 1 | Reading | A | 3 | 1 | 6156 | Price(2), Westwood | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Sept 5 | Norwich (LC2) | A | 2 | 4 | 10656 | Bruce(2) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Sept 8 | Carlisle | A | 2 | 1 | 3411 | Price, Bruce | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Sept 15 | Chester | H | 2 | 2 | 7397 | Price(2) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Sept 18 | Wimbledon | H | 1 | 0 | 8074 | Crabbe | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Sept 22 | Hull | A | 0 | 0 | 6142 | Funnell | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | — | — | — | — |
| Sept 29 | Exeter | H | 1 | 0 | 7538 | Funnell | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 5 | — | 12 | — |
| Oct 6 | Blackburn | H | 1 | 2 | 7851 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Oct 13 | Barnsley | A | 0 | 2 | 9132 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Oct 20 | Grimby | H | 0 | 1 | 6378 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Oct 23 | Oxford | H | 4 | 0 | 5094 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Oct 27 | Mansfield | A | 0 | 2 | 4598 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Oct 29 | Southend | A | 3 | 0 | 4447 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Nov 3 | Blackpool | H | 1 | 1 | 6517 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Nov 7 | Oxford | A | 1 | 1 | 4197 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Nov 10 | Sheffield Utd | A | 0 | 4 | 14329 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Nov 13 | Southend | H | 1 | 0 | 5286 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | — | — | — | — |
| Nov 17 | Bury | H | 2 | 1 | 5371 | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Nov 24 | Wimbledon (FAC1) | H | 0 | 0 | 7027 | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Nov 27 | Wimbledon (Replay) | A | 2 | 4 | 4612 | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Dec 1 | Swindon | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Dec 8 | Rotherham | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Dec 15 | FAC2 | | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Dec 21 | Chesterfield | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Dec 26 | Colchester | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Dec 29 | Millwall | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| 1980 Jan 1 | Sheffield Wed | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Jan 5 | Brentford | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Jan 12 | Reading | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Jan 19 | Carlisle | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Jan 26 | Plymouth | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Feb 2 | Chester | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Feb 9 | Hull | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Feb 16 | Exeter | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Feb 23 | Barnsley | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Mar 1 | Grimby | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Mar 8 | Mansfield | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Mar 14 | Blackburn | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Mar 22 | Sheffield Utd | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Mar 29 | Bury | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| April 1 | Chesterfield | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| April 5 | Colchester | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| April 7 | Sheffield Wed | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| April 12 | Brentford | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| April 19 | Swindon | A | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| April 26 | Rotherham | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| May 3 | Plymouth | H | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 2 | — | — | — | — |

MIDWEEK LEAGUE

| | F | A |
|-----------------------|---|-----|
| Aug 22 Millwall | H | 1 2 |
| Sept 4 Portsmouth | H | 4 1 |
| 11 Aldershot | A | 1 2 |
| 19 Brighton | H | 2 1 |
| 25 Aldershot | H | 3 1 |
| Oct 3 Southend | A | 3 4 |
| 11 Charlton | H | 2 3 |
| 16 Peterborough | H | 2 0 |
| 24 Wimbledon | H | 3 3 |
| 30 Cambridge | H | 4 1 |
| Nov 13 Charlton | A | 0 3 |
| 19 Peterborough | A | 0 4 |
| Dec 11 Brentford | A | |
| 18 Brighton | A | |
| Jan 12 Southend (Cup) | A | |
| 9 Watford | A | |
| 16 Portsmouth | A | |
| 22 Wimbledon | A | |
| Feb 13 Southend | H | |
| Mar 5 Northampton | H | |
| 12 Watford | H | |
| 18 Millwall | A | |
| Apr 8 Cambridge | A | |
| 22 Northampton | A | |

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| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| Watford | 9 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 24 | 9 | 16 |
| Charlton | 12 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 26 | 18 | 16 |
| Southend | 19 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 24 | 14 | 15 |
| N/Hampton | 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 11 |
| Gillingham | 12 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 25 | 25 | 11 |
| Brighton | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 16 | 16 | 10 |
| Cambridge | 9 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 12 | 14 | 9 |
| Wimbledon | 8 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 14 | 13 | 8 |
| Portsmouth | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 13 | 14 | 6 |
| Pompey | 9 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 15 | 6 |
| Millwall | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 16 | 5 |
| Aldershot | 9 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 14 | 25 | 4 |
| Brentford | 7 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 17 | 1 |

LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|-------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Millwall | 20 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 31 | 23 | 26 |
| Sheffield U | 20 | 12 | 1 | 7 | 37 | 26 | 25 |
| Colchester | 20 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 30 | 24 | 25 |
| Brentford | 19 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 30 | 24 | 24 |
| Swindon | 19 | 10 | 3 | 6 | 29 | 23 | 23 |
| Sheffield W | 20 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 31 | 26 | 23 |
| Cherster | 19 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 24 | 23 | 22 |
| Rotherham | 20 | 10 | 1 | 9 | 34 | 22 | 21 |
| Gillingham | 19 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 24 | 21 | 21 |
| Grimsby | 20 | 9 | 3 | 8 | 23 | 24 | 21 |
| Barnsley | 20 | 8 | 5 | 7 | 22 | 23 | 21 |
| Reading | 19 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 25 | 29 | 21 |
| Oxford | 19 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 27 | 24 | 19 |
| Blackburn | 20 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 18 | 19 | 18 |
| Carlisle | 20 | 7 | 4 | 9 | 26 | 28 | 18 |
| Hull City | 20 | 6 | 5 | 9 | 25 | 25 | 17 |
| Blackpool | 20 | 6 | 5 | 9 | 31 | 37 | 17 |
| Exeter | 20 | 6 | 5 | 9 | 23 | 34 | 17 |
| Plymouth | 20 | 5 | 4 | 11 | 25 | 32 | 14 |
| Southend | 19 | 5 | 4 | 10 | 17 | 26 | 14 |
| Bury | 20 | 5 | 3 | 12 | 22 | 27 | 13 |
| Wimbledon | 19 | 4 | 5 | 10 | 19 | 31 | 13 |

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DIVISION THREE:

Price 8, Westwood 5, Bruce 3, Funnell 3, Barker 1, Crabbe 2, Nicholl 1, Sharpe 1.

LEAGUE CUP:

Bruce 2, Price 2, Barker 1, Crabbe 1, Overton 1.

MIDWEEK LEAGUE:

Westwood 6, Jolley 6, Walker 4, Hughes 2, Bottiglieri 1, Funnell 1, White 3, Opps 2.

YOUTH TEAM:

Adams 6, Bottiglieri 6, Donn 3, D.Young 4, Osborne 1, S.Young 1, Dudley 1.

F.A. CUP:

Price 2.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

| | Aug 18 | Q P R | F A |
|--------|------------------|-------|-----|
| Aug 25 | Southend | H | 0 2 |
| Sept 1 | Millwall | A | 0 2 |
| 8 | Charlton | A | 2 1 |
| 15 | Tottenham | H | 2 1 |
| 22 | Fulham (LC1) | A | 2 3 |
| 29 | Watford | H | 1 2 |
| Oct 1 | C.Palace (SJFC) | H | 1 5 |
| 6 | Norwich | H | 0 5 |
| 13 | West Ham | A | 0 0 |
| 20 | Chelsea | H | 3 2 |
| 27 | Orient | A | 3 0 |
| Nov 3 | Charlton | H | 1 3 |
| 8 | Epsom (FAYC) | A | 3 2 |
| 10 | Tottenham | A | 2 1 |
| 17 | Orient | H | 2 1 |
| 24 | Millwall | H | 2 5 |
| 29 | Aylesbury (FAYC) | A | |
| Dec 1 | Arsenal | H | |
| 8 | Portsmouth | A | |
| 15 | Fulham | H | |
| 29 | Watford | A | |
| Jan 5 | Chelsea | A | |
| 19 | Portsmouth | H | |
| 26 | Arsenal | A | |
| Feb 2 | C. Palace | A | |
| 23 | Southend | H | |
| Mar 1 | Norwich | A | |
| 8 | Fulham | A | |
| 15 | Ipswich | H | |
| 29 | Orient | A | |
| Apr 12 | West Ham | H | |
| 19 | Q P R | A | |
| 26 | Ipswich | A | |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Norwich | 13 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 27 | 15 | 16 |
| C. Palace | 11 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 8 | 16 |
| Charlton | 13 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 32 | 30 | 16 |
| Q P R | 11 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 34 | 9 | 15 |
| Arsenal | 13 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 20 | 14 | 15 |
| Ipswich | 12 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 18 | 11 | 14 |
| West Ham | 13 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 18 | 20 | 14 |
| Watford | 11 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 17 | 12 | 13 |
| Fulham | 12 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 17 | 13 |
| Millwall | 11 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 21 | 20 | 13 |
| Orient | 13 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 19 | 25 | 13 |
| Gillingham | 14 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 18 | 28 | 13 |
| Tottenham | 12 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 25 | 19 | 12 |
| Southend | 12 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 17 | 28 | 6 |
| Chelsea | 12 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 11 | 26 | 5 |
| Portsmouth | 13 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 14 | 15 | 2 |

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| JOHN OVERTON | 4 | RAY McHALE |
| MARK WEATHERLY | 5 | ROY CARTER |
| JOHN CRABBE | 6 | KENNY STROUD |
| TERRY NICHOLL | 7 | IAN MILLER |
| STEVE BRUCE | 8 | CHRIS KAMARA |
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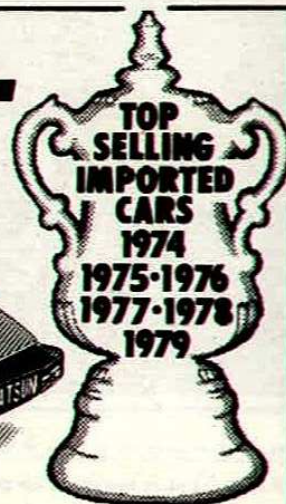
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