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A very warm welcome to you all for this Boxing Day fixture with Swindon Town, who are attractive opposition even though they were in the bottom four at the time I wrote this column before our visit last Saturday to Colchester. But I can assure everyone that they are a cut above the average in our Division.

They have hit one of those patches in Football that occurs quite often when a club has reached the heights of Cup success, and somehow League routine suffers amongst the Cup encounters, as Swindon found last season when they dropped behind through postponements to find themselves struggling to regain form, and this season's performances seem to be an overflow from last year's Cup successes. Bobby Smith, their ex-manager who has now been succeeded by John Trollope, had spent a great deal of money on players and the Club are now in a situation where they bought when the transfer market was high and are now finding that the bottom has dropped out of the market. If they wanted to sell players now, they would only get a pittance compared to what the players were worth six months ago. It's swings and roundabouts — Crystal Palace at the present time are also feeling the pinch, so they've sold Terry Fenwick for £100,000 and Mike Flanagan for £150,000, whereas Queen's Park Rangers have moved into the market shrewdly and picked up those two players at modest fees. Remember that Rangers sold at the top shortly before the season started in Paul Goddard to West Ham and Clive Allen to Palace for a combined £1,800,000! That's a lot of bread in the present economic crisis.

Back to Swindon Town, however, who have a ground capable of housing a Second Division or even a First Division set-up. Their main stand is a magnificent monument to early planning, when they had a fine all-round young team which gained the League Cup at Wembley in 1969. They built that stand when things were a lot cheaper — now, their ground is as good as anything you will see around the circuit. But it all boils down to success on the park, and both of us today are striving for points to give us a firmer footing in our Division. We

shall see a number of good players in their side today and will have to be at our best if we are to combat the likes of Mayes, Williams and Peach — players who have quality



in a team which is bound to come good at some stage. Let's hope it's not today!

This being our last home match of 1980, it's worth looking back on our twelve months — half of them in the Fourth Division and half in the Third. Our record at home from January until today in all competitive games reads ... Won 18, Drawn 7, Lost 4 — that's not a bad record and we'd like to think that in a year's time we had repeated figures of that nature, particularly if it included another successful venture in the Welsh Cup and a European passage once more. But that is something for the future.

Football has changed dramatically in the last twelve months and we, at Newport County, are striving to change with the times. I have my own ideas of what I intend to do here in the next twelve months and my plans, although in the early stages, will mark a unique turn-round in Club policy compared with things at present, though I'm not prepared to reveal those plans until later on in 1981. I can say, however, that it will involve a very big drive to acquire boys on associate schoolboy forms, and two such boys are featured elsewhere in today's match-magazine — Ceri Williams and Neil Knight, two youngsters who are already signed with us and who have a very great deal of promise.



• The opening of another Newport County Exhibition — this time at Renwicks Motors Ltd., Chepstow Road, Newport. From left — Dennis King (Renwicks Operations Director), Stan Bowsher (General Manager, Newport Branch), Jimmy Goodfellow (our Trainer/Coach) and Mr. T. R. Dillon (Renwicks Managing Director).



## Not A Scot!

Karl Elsey wasn't too happy about a reference to himself which appeared in a report of our match against Barnsley carried by a Sunday paper in which he was referred to as "a 26 year-old Scot". He is in fact 22 and was born in the very centre of Swansea! It could be that they were confusing him with Dave Cunningham. And a misprint in that report gave Steve Lowndes "star-man" rating with 3!

## Orders Please

The "Match of the Day" sequence a week last Sunday which showed Colchester United and Yeovil Town enjoying their pre-match meal together, led to one of the supporters asking what was on the menu for our players before a game. The fare consists of cornflakes and milk, eggs (poached, scrambled or omelettes), toast and tea. And that goes for everyone, including the press contingent, together with any guests of the Club.

## Christmas At Somerton

Like most organisations, Newport County have a Christmas get-together for players, management directors and staff — ours took place last Monday night in the Vice-Presidents' Lounge and on this occasion, there was no talk of football!

## Beckenbauer Contribution

Llswerry All-Stars, the local junior team for whom Jimmy Goodfellow's son Mark plays, should now have a few bob towards their forthcoming summer trip to the U.S.A., thanks to our Trainer/Coach's connection with New York Cosmos. Arriving for him in the post recently was a football autographed by former West German World Cup star Franz Beckenbauer together with an autographed programme from the final match of his career last summer and Jim raffled them for the Llswerry club's funds.

## Support From Afar

Four supporters from the West Midlands have contacted us with a view to starting a branch of our Supporters' Club in their area. The fans are Phil Haslegrave, Andy Mills, Nick Davies and Shaun Mills, and if they can arouse enough interest, then they would consider organising coaches to our home and away games from their district. Anyone interested should contact us, and we will pass on the information.

## INSIDE SOMERTON

With Richard Shepherd



## Popular Visit

Nine days ago, our players and management visited the children's ward of the Royal Gwent Hospital in what proved to be a very enjoyable event, our lads were a great hit with the youngsters and the nurses! And we'd like to thank those supporters who brought along to the office some gifts which we passed on to the children. The supporters concerned all wished to remain unpublished.

## Tommy's Night!

The recent Welsh League match at Ton Pentre on 15th December in which we defeated Emrys Evans' team by four goals to nil, proved a memorable occasion for Tommy Tynan. He played in the game, and immediately afterwards a telephone call brought him news that he was the father of twins! Our team-coach made a hasty return back to Newport and dropped him at the entrance of the hospital with everyone's good wishes.



• The end of 1980 brings to a close a year in which we had the greatest moments in our history — this was one of them when the final whistle sounded at Walsall on 3rd May and Manager Len Ashurst knew that we had won promotion!

## Mr. Smith's Anniversary!

Newport County supporter W. H. Smith of Capel Crescent, Newport, was married thirty years ago this week, but he told us that it didn't prevent him coming to Somerton to see us play a few days later on Boxing Day 1950. But he can't remember any details about that particular game — so we looked it up for him and found that he was part of 13,160 who saw us defeat Walsall 3-0 that morning with goals from Cliff Birch, Beriah Moore and Reg Parker. Our line-up that day will recall a few memories — Harrison Fearnley; Len Staples, Doug Hayward; Bill Stroud, Ray Wilcox, Danny Newall, Cliff Birch, George Beattie, Reg Parker, George James, Beriah Moore.

## Devon Fan

One of our regular supporters at today's game — Graham King — has travelled from his home in Plymouth for the match. Graham used to live in Newport until returning to Devon four years ago and each home game involves him in a 300-mile round trip which he used to do by train until he acquired a car. In these times of high petrol costs, it's a remarkable effort by Graham and everyone here is very appreciative of such support. Fortunately, he won't have far to travel for tomorrow's match at Exeter.



• Our fans had plenty to shout about in 1980 — what will 1981 bring?



# SWINDON TOWN

... were formed in 1881, becoming professional in 1894 when they joined the Southern League. They were F.A. Cup semi-finalists in 1910 and 1912 and joined Division Three in 1920, remaining in it until 1963 when they won promotion. Relegated in 1965, the '68/69 season provided their greatest triumph when they not only won promotion, but also beat Arsenal in a memorable League Cup Final. They have been back in Division Three since 1974. County Ground Att. Record—32,000 v Arsenal (F.A. Cup 3rd Rnd.) 15th January 1972.

NO club has experienced a greater change of fortune in the space of twelve months than SWINDON TOWN — in mid-January 1980 they were handily placed in fourth spot of Division Three, while they had one foot in the Wembley door after defeating Wolves 2-1 at home in the first leg of the League Cup semi-final. And with a home tie against Tottenham in the Fourth Round of the F.A. Cup, it looked as if it was going to be one of their greatest-ever seasons. But the whole thing collapsed during a disastrous fortnight from the end of January. Spurs beat them 2-1 at White Hart Lane after a 0-0 draw, then they lost 3-1 to Wolves in their return leg. And as they battled to catch up on their postponed games, they could win only five of their remaining twenty League matches, eventually finishing in tenth place. This season they've struggled from the start and Manager Bob Smith left in early October, though they've started to see daylight following the appointment of John Trollope. Last Friday's home game with Walsall was played after we went to press, but their F.A. Cup defeat at Wimbledon thirteen days ago was the first time they'd lost in five matches under their new manager.

Before that game with Walsall, Inverness-born 'keeper **JIMMY ALLAN** had played in every match and he's now been at Swindon ten years, having been signed from Scottish Junior football. He missed only two games last season, having been first-choice for the last few years, while his deputy is ex-Sheffield United, Rotherham and Blackpool 'keeper **TOM McALISTER**, who was signed this summer. Playing at right-back in recent matches has been Belfast-born **ROY WALSH**, who started the season in a central-defensive role before losing his spot in late August. Signed from Glenfortran in March 1980, he has been taking the place recently of the suspended **CHARLIE HENRY**, a former apprentice who signed full forms last February and who made his debut in attack at the end of August, switching to his normal full-back role until mid-October when he was left out. Regular left-back in recent matches has been former Gillingham and Southampton defender **DAVE PEACH**, who was signed in March 1980 for £150,000, having won an F.A. Cup Winners' medal with The Saints in 1976. He in fact was left out from early September until mid-October, and is on the transfer list. Other full-backs to appear in the side this season include

ex-Manchester City player **COLIN BARRETT**, who was signed from Nottingham Forest in the summer. But he dropped out of the line-up after the opening five League and Cup matches, and has now been unavailable for some time through injury, while Manager **JOHN TROLLOPE** had a two-month spell in the side from mid-September before retiring. Ex-Brighton and Exeter full-back John Templeman has also had a couple of games but he has since gone to Witney Town. Regular central defenders since early November have been Blaengwynfi-born **RUSSELL LEWIS** and long-serving **KENNY STROUD**. Signed from Welsh League football in 1976, Lewis made his debut at the end of '76/77 and has been in this season's side since late August, having made a few appearances at full-back, while London-born Stroud, who has been with the Club since 1970, had a knee operation in the summer and only returned to competitive action on November 4th against Gillingham. Close-season signing **ANDY ROLLINGS**, the ex-Norwich defender who was transferred from Brighton, was a regular in the side until early September when he lost his place, and before last Friday's game he had since only made two first-team appearances.



SWINDON TOWN's '80/81 line-up... BACK (from left) — Jimmy Allan, John Templeman (now Witney Town), Kenny Stroud, Roy Greenwood, Tom McAlister. MIDDLE (from left) — Andy Rollings, Roy Carter, Russell Lewis, Chris Kamara (Team-Capt.), Colin Barrett, Billy Tucker (Club Capt.). FRONT (from left) — Steve Abbley, Bryan Hamilton (now Manager of Tranmere), Ian Miller, Brian Williams, Andy Rowland, Alan Mayes, Glenn Cockerill.



It was in August 1960 that Manager JOHN TROLLOPE made his debut for Swindon Town in the left-back role which he was to occupy until the last of his 770 record-breaking League appearances for one club, which was on November 8th. Born in the village of Wroughton, just three miles from The County Ground, he was practically a permanent fixture in the Swindon line-up for nineteen seasons until May 1979 when he decided to concentrate on looking after the Club's youth-team. But in mid-September 1980, with results going badly, he was recalled to the first team in which he played until early November when he was appointed Manager, taking over from caretaker-boss Danny Williams who had been in charge since the departure of Bob Smith at the start of October.

Ever-present in midfield before last week was Middlesbrough-born team-skipper **CHRIS KAMARA**, who was signed from Portsmouth in August 1977. He started last season on the transfer list, but became a regular member of last year's team and in the end was voted "Player of the Year" by the club's supporters. Torpoint-born midfielder **ROY CARTER** was also ever-present before the Walsall game, though he spent October and November in a defensive role. An ex-Falmouth player, he was signed from Hereford in December 1977, while midfielder **BRIAN WILLIAMS** is a former Bury and Q.P.R. player who was signed from the Loftus Road club in June 1978. He had a contractual dispute in the opening part of the season and was training with Bristol Rovers, but he's had a regular place since early October. There's been no regular spot for midfielder **GLENN COCKERILL**, however, since early November when the former Lincoln player, signed for £110,000 in December 1979, dropped out of the side after missing only six of the opening twenty-two League and Cup games, while former apprentice **BRIAN HUGHES** has made several midfield appearances, having made his debut in late August.

Winger **IAN MILLER** has been absent just a couple of times in October through a groin injury, and he is a former Bury and Nottingham Forest player who has appeared against us several times when he was with Doncaster Rovers from whom Swindon signed him in the summer of 1978, since when he's been a regular in the side. Last season's attacking partnership of **ANDY ROWLAND** and **ALAN MAYES** (56 League and Cup goals between them!) hasn't been so successful this season. Former Derby apprentice Rowland, signed from Bury in September 1978, had scored only six times before losing his place after the First Round F.A. Cup match with Weymouth, though ex-Q.P.R. forward Mayes, signed from Watford in February 1979, had been ever-present up to last week with ten goals. The recent absence of Rowland meant the debut of apprentice striker **PAUL RIDEOUT**, who had made two appearances before last week's match with Walsall. The former England Schools Cap scored against Hull on his first outing on November 29th, but was substituted in the following match by ex-Hull and Sunderland forward **ROY GREENWOOD**, who was signed from Derby in April 1980. Better known as a winger, in which position he played regularly from mid-August to mid-October before losing his place, he recently occupied a central-attacking role against Wimbledon in the F.A. Cup.

### Their Record to date:-

| August         |       |   |   | F-A | Att.   |
|----------------|-------|---|---|-----|--------|
| 9 AFC B'th     | FLC.1 | A | D | 1-1 | 5,121  |
| 12 AFC B'th    | FLC.1 | H | W | 2-0 | 5,814  |
| 16 Blackpool   | Div.3 | H | L | 1-2 | 7,108  |
| 19 Portsm'th   | Div.3 | A | L | 0-1 | 15,810 |
| 23 Fulham      | Div.3 | H | L | 3-4 | 6,473  |
| 27 Lincoln C.  | FLC.2 | A | D | 1-1 | 4,940  |
| 30 Reading     | Div.3 | A | L | 1-4 | 6,405  |
| September      |       |   |   |     |        |
| 2 Lincoln C.   | FLC.2 | H | W | 2-0 | 4,907  |
| 6 Sheff. Utd.  | Div.3 | A | L | 0-3 | 12,089 |
| 13 Rotherham   | Div.3 | H | W | 2-1 | 5,498  |
| 16 Oxford U    | Div.3 | H | W | 1-0 | 7,709  |
| 20 Barnsley    | Div.3 | A | L | 0-2 | 9,767  |
| 23 Liverpool   | FLC.3 | A | L | 0-5 | 16,566 |
| 27 Huddersf'd  | Div.3 | H | W | 1-0 | 5,856  |
| October        |       |   |   |     |        |
| 1 Oxford U     | Div.3 | A | D | 0-0 | 6,071  |
| 4 Chester      | Div.3 | H | L | 1-2 | 5,577  |
| 7 Gillingham   | Div.3 | A | D | 0-0 | 4,066  |
| 11 Millwall    | Div.3 | A | L | 1-3 | 3,571  |
| 18 Carlisle U  | Div.3 | H | D | 1-1 | 5,989  |
| 21 Charlton A  | Div.3 | H | L | 0-3 | 5,672  |
| 25 Exeter City | Div.3 | A | W | 4-3 | 4,688  |
| November       |       |   |   |     |        |
| 1 Burnley      | Div.3 | H | L | 0-3 | 6,191  |
| 4 Gillingham   | Div.3 | H | D | 0-0 | 4,719  |
| 8 Colchester   | Div.3 | A | L | 0-1 | 2,153  |
| 11 Portsm'th   | Div.3 | H | L | 0-2 | 8,164  |
| 15 Blackpool   | Div.3 | A | D | 1-1 | 3,758  |
| 22 Weymouth    | FAC.1 | H | W | 3-2 | 5,477  |
| 29 Hull City   | Div.3 | H | W | 3-1 | 5,275  |
| December       |       |   |   |     |        |
| 6 Brentford    | Div.3 | A | D | 1-1 | 5,730  |
| 13 Wimbledon   | FAC.2 | A | L | 0-2 | 3,470  |
| 19 Walsall     | Div.3 | H |   |     |        |

This Season's Scorers (League and Cups)  
(Not including last Friday's match)

Mayes 10, Rowland 6, Lewis 2, Miller 2,  
Peach 2 (1 pen), Rollings 2, Greenwood  
1, Henry 1, Kamara 1, Rideout 1, Stroud  
1, McGrath (AFC Bournemouth) o.g.



• Andy Rowland — last year's top scorer

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# Look Back in Amber

## Two-Goal Terry Beat Swindon

PAT TERRY is a name well-remembered by Newport County supporters who have been following the Club since the War — the Blackheath-born centre-forward gave a number of fine performances in his one-and-a-half seasons at Somerton, and it was just before Christmas twenty-three years ago that he scored twice in one of our best displays of the '57/58 campaign when we were 4—1 home winners over the leaders of Division 3 (South) — Swindon Town.

Terry had joined us from Charlton Athletic in the summer of 1956 and had ended the '56/57 season as our leading scorer with 18 goals in League and Cup Matches. But in that vital '57/58 season, when we were battling to finish in the top half of Division 3 (South) to avoid going into the new Division Four the following year, Terry's goal-supply dried up, and in mid-December 1957 he had found himself out of the side with just two goals from twelve League games.

But on December 14th, with Bourne-mouth the visitors to Somerton, Pat Terry was recalled to the team and scored twice in our 3—1 win. So the following week (December 21st), it wasn't surprising that Manager Bill Lucas kept the same line-up to face Swindon, who at that time were top of the table with 29 points from 23 games. We were in eighth position with 24 points from 21 games and anxious to avenge our 4—0 defeat at The County Ground on the opening day of that season. Swindon were undoubtedly attractive visitors, and one of our best crowds of the season — 7,815 — was at the game to see us play a side who included such names as full-back John Neal (now manager of Middlesbrough), wing-half Lew Clayton, who was trainer/Coach at Cardiff City for a number of years and who is now with Neal at Ayresome Park, and ex-Bristol Rovers centre-forward Bill Roost.

But we, too, could boast some well-known names in former Welsh Inter-



● Pat Terry beats a Swindon defender to head one of his two goals in our 4—1 win of 21st December 1957.

national Alf Sherwood, his former Cardiff City colleague Ken Hollyman, and thrustful inside-forward Harry Harris. In the opening twenty minutes of that game, Swindon showed all the class expected of them as League leaders, but from then on we dominated the game and eventually

ran out 4—1 winners in what was our best effort of the season. Pat Terry was undoubtedly "Man of the Match" with two superb goals, and it was he who set up the chance for Harry Harris to give us a first-half lead. In fact, Terry was unlucky not to score a hat-trick when his second-half header hit the post.

Our fourth goal came from an Alf Sherwood penalty after winger Cecil Dixon had been brought down by Swindon centre-half George Hudson, and Sherwood had to re-take the kick in strange circumstances. Goalkeeper Sam Hudson had moved, but even though Sherwood's effort went in, the referee ordered him to try again — this time Sherwood put it in exactly the same place, and the goal stood. Swindon's consolation score was from winger Skull, and they were well beaten on the day — a defeat which cost them the leadership to Brighton who eventually went up.

As for Pat Terry, Swansea Town paid us £5,000 for him in mid-February 1958, and in October 1958 he moved to Gillingham. The last we heard of him was as a London taxi-driver. We eventually finished in the top half of the table, but that victory over Swindon was undoubtedly our most memorable of that season. The two teams that December day in 1957 were:—

**NEWPORT COUNTY** — Weare; Hollyman, Sherwood; Graham, Wilcox, Thomas; Dixon, McSeveney, Terry, Harris, Brown.

**SWINDON TOWN** — Burton; Neale, Lee; Clayton, Hudson, Owen; Skull, Richards, Roost, Edwards, Darcy.

**FOOTNOTE** — our performance that day wasn't the highlight of the afternoon's League programme. In the Second Division match at The Valley, Charlton Athletic were trailing 5—1 to Huddersfield with twenty-five minutes left, but recovered to win 7—6! The late Johnny Summers scored five times in what was League football's greatest post-war come-back.



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# Far-East Fan

We are always pleased to hear from our overseas supporters — and only last week received a letter from John Roche of 22 Swettenham Road, Singapore 1024, who used to be on the editorial staff of the South Wales Argus. He writes as follows:-

"You may remember that some years back, I contributed an article to your programme when you ran the journalist's column. At that time, I was working on a paper in Kent and bumped into former County player Les Riggs at Margate. Now, many moons later, I am lecturing in journalism in far-off Singapore but, nevertheless, still following County's fortunes as keenly as ever. My brother, an avid fan who has a season-ticket for the stand, keeps me well-supplied with Press cuttings and, of course, like other fans around the world, we enjoy listening to the BBC World Service sports programmes.

"It was quite something to hear the radio report direct from Somerton on the Haugar result. To get that was something of a bonus and we can hardly wait for news of the next round. The only irritation is that having supported County for something like twenty-five years, I go abroad to work just when they make a six-goal debut on network television!

"My son Ian, who is just 17, Newport-born and mad about County, has Black-and-Amber souvenirs all over his bedroom walls and we are busily convincing the soccer-mad Singaporeans that their interest should be switched from Division One to the more important fixtures of Division Three and the European Cup-Winners' Cup! Soccer in this climate is really something — the temperature is a steady 90°F and it's very humid, but Singapore play a nifty game. It would be interesting to see County over here on a Far-East tour — What about it? The other day, Australian club Newcastle United (from New South Wales) were here for a friendly — and who should be their skipper but Paul Reaney (ex-Leeds and Bradford City). Then this week, the Kings Cup tournament included a guest club — Swedish team Vasteras who I believe played County a few years back.

"Well, we hope everyone at the Club enjoys a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year — County's progress of recent years is long overdue, but it's been a great team-effort and hopefully, we shall be back to add our voices to the Somerton Shout — could it be Division One stuff by then? If you know of anyone in this part of the world who also supports County, I should be pleased to have names and addresses. We could start an Oriental supporters' club!"

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# ||||| DATELINE THREE |||||

The Half-Way Stage — And Charlton Are Looking Good For Division Two . . .

PRIOR to last weekend, every club in Division Three had reached the half-way mark as far as League games were concerned, and it's the North which dominates the promotion scene while five of the bottom seven are from the South! It's unlikely, however, that the events of last Saturday, which took place after our printing deadline, will have much effect on those positions even after the current holiday fixtures.

And while CHARLTON ATHLETIC won't admit that they look certain to be back in Division Two next season, their colleagues in the Third Division would be quite happy to do so. Their record over the first half of '80/81 is remarkable — sixteen wins in twenty-three League games, and sixteen League and Cup matches without defeat before last Saturday's home encounter with Fulham. After last season's disastrous Second Division campaign when they won only six games, few of their fans could have looked forward to a speedy Second Division return. But Manager Mike Bailey was quite happy to keep faith with the squad, having bought a few players during the course of '79/80, and made no close-season signings! His judgement has been proved right, and they've set the pace from the start. And none of his players has had a more successful time than experienced striker Derek Hales, now in his second spell with the Club after periods with Derby and West Ham. He may not be as fast as in previous years, but his type of finishing is good enough to worry Third Division defences, and before last weekend he'd scored seventeen goals this season, including a late winner in Charlton's 2-1 home win over AFC Bournemouth in the F.A. Cup thirteen days ago — a result which takes them to Plymouth a week tomorrow in Round Three. But their stadium is now proving a

problem — The Valley once held 75,000 and its current capacity was reckoned to be around 50,000. The Club's local authority, however, has temporarily reduced it to just 13,000 until certain work is carried out, following which Charlton hope to be allowed a maximum of 44,000. As they have averaged about 7,000 so far this season, it shouldn't prove a major problem in the next couple of months unless they make further progress in the Cup and gain a home draw against a top First Division side.

In contrast to leaders Charlton and their ground problems, the magnificent setting of Boothferry Park has housed a HULL CITY side which has been bottom of the table for some time and who face a hard task to avoid their first-ever season of Fourth Division football. They only escaped it by a point last season after winning two of their final three games. Their main problem has been an away record which, before last Saturday's visit to Sheffield United, had brought them no wins and only four points from twelve matches. Their F.A. Cup Second Round replay at Blyth Spartans was played after we went to press, but the result of that game is likely to have a major bearing on their future form. But no doubt former Welsh team-boss, Mike Smith, will draw confidence from the recent form of striker Keith Edwards, who has scored five goals in five games before last week. The former Sheffield United player had netted ten times up to that point, in contrast to Welsh International Nick Deacy, who's been struggling to find his scoring form with only three goals so far!

Goals certainly haven't presented a problem to HUDDERSFIELD TOWN in recent weeks — they strolled into the Third Round of the F.A. Cup with a 6-0 home win in a replay against Northwich Victoria, followed by a 3-0

victory at Tranmere, and they now meet Shrewsbury at Leeds Road next week.

Midfield man Brian Stanton went through a great spell from mid-November with six goals in five matches, while strikers Ian Robins and Steve Kindon continue to score regularly, keeping them in a promising position just behind the top three. But just in case the goals do dry up, Manager Mick Buxton paid £70,000 a fortnight ago for Mansfield striker Terry Austin, the former Ipswich player who has a good goalscoring record with his other clubs, Plymouth and Walsall. Austin led the Mansfield goalscoring until losing his place in mid-November, and he might have to be patient before gaining a first-team spot at Huddersfield. Another club active in the transfer market earlier this month was PORTSMOUTH who, like Huddersfield, are also handily placed to get into the top three. After the departure of Joe Laidlaw and Derek Showers to Hereford, they paid Blackpool £80,000 for the former Barnsley and Peterborough midfielder player Bobby Doyle, while a week later they gave Newcastle a similar amount for striker Billy Rafferty who has achieved a reasonable amount of success with Coventry, Blackpool, Plymouth, Carlisle and Wolves.



• Derek Hales — Helping Charlton back to Division Two

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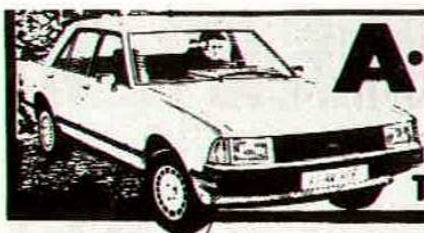
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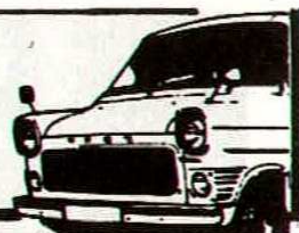
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# SOMERTON DIARY

*Dec/Jan '80/81*

Dates to keep an eye on . . .

**Saturday 27th** — We travel down the M.5 to Exeter City for a Division Three match. (3.00 p.m.). Our Welsh League side are at Pontllanfraith.

## JANUARY 1981

**Thursday 1st** — Despite that extra weight put on over the last few days, there will be no weekly keep-fit session at Somerton tonight.

**Saturday 3rd** — Sheffield United pay their first visit to Somerton in twenty-eight years when they are here for a Third Division game at 3.15 p.m. Our Welsh League are away to Bridgend Town.

**Tuesday 6th** — Our Welsh Cup Fourth Round match with Ton Pentre takes place at Somerton at 7.15 p.m.

**Wednesday 7th** — The fortnightly County Lottery Draw visits The Severn View Club, Caldicot..

**Thursday 8th** — Our keep-fit sessions for men and boys re-start at Somerton (7.00 p.m.)

**Saturday 10th** — A trip to Yorkshire for our first-team when we travel to meet Huddersfield Town in a Third Division game. (3.00 p.m.) Our Reserves are at home to Briton Ferry in a Welsh League match.

**Tuesday 13th** — Our reserve side travels to the Vetch Field to play Swansea City in a Midweek League match (7.30 p.m.).

**Thursday 15th** — Our usual weekly men's keep-fit session at Somerton (7.00 p.m.).

**Friday 16th** — Rotherham United are the visitors to Somerton for a Third Division game (7.15 p.m.).

**Saturday 17th** — Our Welsh League team travel to play Llanelli.

**Wednesday 21st** — Our fortnightly County Lottery Draw takes place at The Good Measure Public House, Caldicot.

**Thursday 22nd** — Another session of our men's keep-fit class at Somerton 7.00p.m.

**Saturday 24th** — A Third Division home game against Carlisle United (3.15 p.m.). Our scheduled Welsh League home game against Haverfordwest will be re-arranged.

**Thursday 29th** — Weekly keep-fit class for men takes place at Somerton — 7.00 p.m.

**Saturday 31st** — We travel to London to meet Millwall at The Den in a Third Division game (3.00 p.m.). Our Welsh League team are at home to Ammanford (3.00 p.m.).

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THE search for promising talent by Football League clubs is a constantly continuing process, and two youngsters of whom we are very hopeful that they will eventually make the grade are two of our Associate Schoolboys CERI WILLIAMS from Coed Ely near Tonyrefail, and NEIL KNIGHT from Maesglas, Newport.

Fifteen year-old Ceri, a midfield player, was spotted by our former Rhondda scout, John McGlyn, and plays for his school, Tonyrefail Comprehensive, in addition to playing for Rhondda Schools, Penycraig in the Rhondda and District League, and Newport Sunday League

side Lliswerry 'C'. Neil Knight, a 16 year-old full-back or midfield player, has been connected with us for two years since ex-scout Malcolm Evans first brought him to our attention, and he plays for his school, St. Julians, as well as for the Newport Under-18s Schools team, Gwent Under-16s and Under-18s, and also for our Reserves for whom he's made eleven appearances this season.

It can happen that clubs sign youngsters on schoolboy forms and only see them occasionally when they bring them in for special training during school holidays — but that's not the case with our schoolboys. We run weekly training and coaching sessions at various places in Gwent and the Rhondda, and Ceri Williams is a regular attender at our Pontyclun session, which is taken on weekly rotation by our professionals John Relish and Gary Plumley, and reserve-team coach Brian Clark. Ceri's father, Keith, takes his son to all his training sessions and matches, and is more than happy with the attention which they receive from Newport County — "Ceri thinks it's great that the players take such an interest, and I've never known a club in which the Manager and First-Team Trainer/Coach actually get involved in training the schoolboys. We've enjoyed being connected with the Club, and they've given us no false hopes about Ceri — he knows it's a hard struggle if he's to be considered good enough to become an apprentice professional eventually, and the Club's been frank with us all the way."

As for Neil Knight, who attends our midweek evening training-sessions at Somerton, he's had the opportunity of joining other clubs as an associate schoolboy, but wants to play for Newport County "because they are my local club, and I don't particularly want to leave the area."

The development of both youngsters is now very closely watched by our Valley's scout, Harold Joy, and our local representative, Keith Tennant — the former Newport County half-back. According to Harold — "Many clubs sign a large number of schoolboys, hoping that just a few will come through — but we only sign the ones that we think have a genuine chance. That means we only have a small number and we can give them individual attention. I'll be very disappointed if these two don't make it, but it's really up to them to prove they are good enough for the Manager to want them as apprentices."

Keith Tennant knows what it's all about — he's a local boy who made it into League football and is quick to point out that ability is not the only thing needed — "It's about attitude and wanting to work hard as well. But you have to be honest with your schoolboys and make them feel part of the club. These two lads have

trained with the first team, and we've made sure that they've got no illusions about it being easy. Football's a hard life and it's better that they find out early on and know what's ahead of them.

"But it will take some time for them to come through if they do become apprentices — Ceri is now fifteen while Neil is sixteen; it could be another four years before we see any real benefit from the sort of scheme we are running. Steve Lowndes and Nigel Vaughan are examples of what can emerge — there are more in the pipeline, and perhaps Ceri Williams and Neil Knight will be two of them."







• Our associate schoolboys Ceri Williams (left) and Neil Knight pictured here with reserve-team coach Brian Clark at our recent Welsh League game with Ton Pentre . . . . . (Pictures by Colin Dowd)

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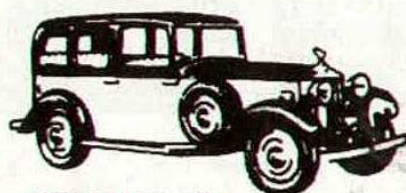
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|-----------------|----|----|---|----|-------|-----|
| 1 Charlton A    | 23 | 16 | 3 | 4  | 39-17 | 35  |
| 2 Barnsley      | 24 | 12 | 8 | 4  | 37-21 | 32  |
| 3 Chesterfield  | 23 | 13 | 4 | 6  | 39-21 | 30  |
| 4 Burnley       | 24 | 11 | 8 | 5  | 32-19 | 30  |
| 5 Huddersfield  | 24 | 11 | 7 | 6  | 34-17 | 29  |
| 6 Rotham U      | 24 | 10 | 9 | 5  | 31-20 | 29  |
| 7 Portsmouth    | 22 | 14 | 0 | 8  | 29-21 | 28  |
| 8 Plymouth A    | 24 | 9  | 9 | 6  | 33-24 | 27  |
| 9 Sheffield U   | 24 | 10 | 5 | 9  | 41-29 | 25  |
| 10 Exeter C     | 23 | 10 | 5 | 8  | 36-30 | 25  |
| 11 Chester      | 24 | 9  | 6 | 9  | 18-20 | 24  |
| 12 Reading      | 22 | 10 | 3 | 9  | 33-31 | 23  |
| 13 Brentford    | 24 | 8  | 6 | 10 | 28-31 | 22  |
| 14 Walsall      | 24 | 7  | 8 | 9  | 34-39 | 22  |
| 15 Colchester U | 24 | 7  | 8 | 9  | 25-33 | 22  |
| 16 Newport Co.  | 23 | 8  | 5 | 10 | 31-31 | 21  |
| 17 Blackpool    | 23 | 6  | 8 | 9  | 26-37 | 20  |
| 18 Fulham       | 24 | 5  | 9 | 10 | 27-35 | 19  |
| 19 Gillingham   | 24 | 5  | 9 | 10 | 24-37 | 19  |
| 20 Oxford U     | 24 | 5  | 7 | 12 | 16-30 | 17  |
| 21 Carlisle U   | 23 | 5  | 7 | 11 | 30-45 | 17  |
| 22 Millwall     | 23 | 6  | 5 | 12 | 22-40 | 17  |
| 23 Swindon T    | 23 | 5  | 6 | 12 | 21-38 | 16  |
| 24 Hull City    | 24 | 4  | 7 | 13 | 19-40 | 15  |

## PLAYERS' ROSTER '80/81

(NOT including last Saturday's match)

| (PLUS Sub.apps.<br>in brackets) | APPS.  |      | GOALS |     |
|---------------------------------|--------|------|-------|-----|
|                                 | Lge.   | Cup  | Lge   | Cup |
| J. ALDRIDGE                     | 18(2)  | 9(1) | 4     | 5   |
| N. BAILEY                       | 13     | 6    | 1     | —   |
| D. BRUTON                       | 15     | 8    | —     | 1   |
| D. CUNHAM                       | —      | 1    | —     | —   |
| G. DAVIES                       | 7      | 3(1) | —     | —   |
| M. DOWLER+                      | 4      | 1    | —     | —   |
| K. ELSEY                        | 9(8)   | 4(5) | 1     | 1   |
| D. GWYTHYR                      | 23     | 11   | 6     | 3   |
| M. KENDALL                      | 14     | 3    | —     | —   |
| S. LOWNDES                      | 23     | 11   | 5     | 2   |
| K. MOORE                        | 21     | 9    | 1     | 3   |
| K. OAKES                        | 23     | 11   | 7     | 1   |
| G. PLUMLEY                      | 5      | 7    | —     | —   |
| J. RELISH                       | 12     | 8    | —     | —   |
| T. TYNNAN                       | 22(1)  | 9    | 5***  | 4   |
| N. VAUGHAN                      | 20(3)  | 9(1) | —     | 1   |
| R. WALDEN                       | 22     | 11   | —     | —   |
| S. WARRINER                     | 1      | —    | —     | —   |
| Opponents                       | .....1 |      | —     | —   |

Maximum - 23 League, 11 Cup \* 1 Pen.

+ No longer with Club

## Reserve Team Fixtures

Cup - S. A. Brain Trophy

WL - Welsh League

MW - Midweek League

Home Matches in CAPITALS

| Date           | Opponents           | F-A |
|----------------|---------------------|-----|
| 23 Aug. (Sat)  | Merthyr (WL)        | 0-1 |
| 28 Aug. (Th)   | Cardiff City (WL)   | 1-1 |
| 30 Aug. (Sat)  | PONTF' TH (WL)      | 2-2 |
| 1 Sep. (Mon)   | EXETER C (MW)       | 1-2 |
| 3 Sep. (Wed)   | PANTEG (Cup)        | 3-0 |
| 6 Sep. (Sat)   | BRIDGEND (WL)       | 0-4 |
| 10 Sep. (Wed)  | CARDIFF C. (WL)     | 1-0 |
| 13 Sep. (Sat)  | Briton Ferry (WL)   | 0-0 |
| 17 Sep. (Wed)  | AFC B'm'th (MW)     | 0-2 |
| 20 Sep. (Sat)  | TON PENTRE (WL)     | 1-2 |
| 23 Sep. (Tue)  | N'PORT YMCA (Cup)   | 2-1 |
| 27 Sep. (Sat)  | Haverfordwest (WL)  | 0-1 |
| 2 Oct. (Thu)   | Swansea C. (MW)     | 1-1 |
| 13 Oct. (Mon)  | SWANSEA C. (MW)     | 3-2 |
| 18 Oct. (Sat)  | Barry T. (WL)       | 2-1 |
| 25 Oct. (Sat)  | Millford (WL)       | 2-3 |
| 1 Nov. (Sat)   | MILFORD (WL)        | 0-0 |
| 3 Nov. (Mon)   | Exeter City (MW)    | 1-1 |
| 10 Nov. (Mon)  | Brentford (MW Cup)  | 1-1 |
| 22 Nov. (Sat)  | PONTLOTTYN (WL)     | 1-2 |
| 24 Nov. (Mon)  | BARRY T. (WL)       | 4-0 |
| 26 Nov. (Wed)  | Brentford (MW Cup)  | 1-0 |
| 2 Dec. (Tue)   | CAERLEON (Cup)      | 1-0 |
| 9 Dec. (Tues)  | AFC B'MTH (MW)      | 1-3 |
| 15 Dec. (Mon)  | Ton Pentre (WL)     | 4-0 |
| 20 Dec. (Sat)  | MERTHYR (WL)        | —   |
| 23 Dec. (Tues) | Watford (MW Cup)    | —   |
| 27 Dec. (Sat)  | Pontllanfraith (WL) | —   |
| 3 Jan. (Sat)   | Bridgend T. (WL)    | —   |
| 6 Jan. (Tue)   | EXETER C. (MW)      | —   |

To be continued ...



# WHEN? WHERE? WHO?

Key — Home Matches in CAPITALS  
S = non-playing substitute  
12 = playing substitute

| Opponents                              | F.A. | Scores                                     | Att.  | Gary | Rich | John | Dave | Keith | Neil | Tom | Steve | Dave | John | Kav | Nigel | Karl | Dave | Gran | Mike | Mark | Steve |
|--|------|--|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|-----|-------|------|------|-----|-------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 9 Aug (Sat) Hereford United (F.L.C.1)  | 0-1  | Tynan 2, Aldridge 2, Gwyther               | 7,765 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 7   | 8     | 9    | *10  | 11  | 12    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 12 Aug (Tue) Hereford United (F.L.C.1) | 5-0  | Aldridge                                   | 5,683 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 16 Aug (Sat) Burnley                   | 1-1  | Tynan                                      | 6,715 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 8    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 19 Aug (Tue) Charlton Athletic         | 1-2  | Tynan 2 pens                               | 8,062 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 23 Aug (Sat) Millwall                  | 2-1  | Vaughan                                    | 6,620 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 26 Aug (Tue) Notts. County (F.L.C.2)   | 1-1  | Aldridge, Elsey, Gwyther, Moore            | 6,708 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 30 Aug (Sat) Carlisle United           | 4-1  | Aldridge, Elsey, Gwyther, Moore            | 2,859 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 2 Sep (Tue) Notts. County (F.L.C.2)    | 0-2  | Lowndes, Oakes                             | 4,714 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 6 Sep (Sat) Gillingham                 | 2-3  | Gwyther, Moore, Aldridge, Bruton           | 4,712 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 13 Sep (Sat) Oxford United             | 0-1  | Gwyther, Moore, Aldridge, Bruton           | 5,266 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 16 Sep (Tue) Crusaders (E.C.W.C.1)     | 4-0  | Gwyther, Tynan                             | 6,285 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 20 Sep (Sat) Chesterfield              | 2-3  | Gwyther, Tynan                             | 5,277 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 27 Sep (Sat) Plymouth                  | 0-2  | Lowndes                                    | 6,878 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 1 Oct (Wed) Crusaders (E.C.W.C.1)      | 0-0  | Lowndes                                    | 1,500 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 4 Oct (Sat) Brentford                  | 1-0  | Oakes 2                                    | 6,360 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 7 Oct (Tue) Reading                    | 0-0  | Oakes 2                                    | 5,545 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 11 Oct (Sat) Portsmouth                | 2-1  | Oakes 2                                    | 7,053 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 14 Oct (Tue) Sheffield United          | 0-2  | Oakes 2                                    | 9,776 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 18 Oct (Sat) Walsall                   | 0-1  | Oakes 2                                    | 4,335 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 22 Oct (Wed) Haugar FC (E.C.W.C.2)     | 0-0  | Oakes, Lowndes, Gwyther                    | 4,522 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 25 Oct (Sat) Huddersfield Town         | 3-2  | Aldridge, Clement (o.g.)                   | 6,403 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 28 Oct (Tue) Fulham                    | 2-1  | Aldridge, Gwyther, Oakes (2)               | 6,029 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 1 Nov (Sat) Blackpool                  | 4-2  | Gwyther, Lowndes, Aldridge, Tynan 2, Moore | 4,556 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 4 Nov (Tue) Haugar FC (E.C.W.C.2)      | 6-0  | Oakes, Gwyther, Bailey, Lowndes            | 8,855 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 8 Nov (Sat) Hull City                  | 4-0  | Tynan (pen)                                | 5,495 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 11 Nov (Tue) Charlton Athletic         | 0-3  | Moore, Elsey                               | 9,911 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 15 Nov (Sat) Burnley                   | 1-2  | Oakes, Lowndes, Aldridge                   | 5,370 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 17 Nov (Mon) Worcester City (W.C.3)    | 2-2  | Moore, Elsey                               | 2,937 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 22 Nov (Sat) Plymouth Argyle (F.A.C.1) | 0-2  | Oakes, Lowndes, Aldridge                   | 6,719 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 24 Nov (Mon) Worcester City (W.C.3)    | 3-2  | Lowndes                                    | 3,015 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 29 Nov (Sat) Rotherham United          | 0-1  | Gwyther                                    | 5,512 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 3 Dec (Wed) Chester                    | 1-1  | Gwyther                                    | 1,640 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 6 Dec (Sat) Barnsley                   | 0-0  | Gwyther                                    | 5,537 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 13 Dec (Sat) Chester                   | 0-0  | Gwyther                                    | 4,149 | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5     | 6    | 6   | 8     | 9    | 10   | 11  | 7     | 12   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| 20 Dec (Sat) Colchester United         | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 26 Dec (Fri) Swindon Town              | 0-1  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 27 Dec (Sat) Exeter City               | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 3 Jan (Sat) Sheffield United           | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 6 Jan (Tue) Ton Pentre (W.C.4)         | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 10 Jan (Sat) Huddersfield Town         | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 16 Jan (Fri) Rotherham United          | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 24 Jan (Sat) Carlisle United           | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 31 Jan (Sat) Millwall                  | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 7 Feb (Sat) Oxford United              | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 14 Feb (Sat) Gillingham                | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 21 Feb (Sat) Plymouth Argyle           | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 28 Feb (Sat) Chesterfield              | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 7 Mar (Sat) Brentford                  | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 14 Mar (Sat) Portsmouth                | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 21 Mar (Sat) Walsall                   | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 28 Mar (Sat) Fulham                    | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 4 Apr (Sat) Blackpool                  | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 11 Apr (Sat) Hull City                 | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 18 Apr (Sat) Exeter City               | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 20 Apr (Mon) Swindon Town              | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 25 Apr (Sat) Colchester United         | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 2 May (Sat) Barnsley                   | 0-0  |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| Reading (Away) to be arranged          |      |  |       |      |      |      |      |       |      |     |       |      |      |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |

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# LINE UP

NEWPORT  
COUNTY

h.t. f.t.

Shirts - Amber with Black Trim  
Shorts - Black with Amber Trim

- 1-Mark KENDALL .....
- 2-Nigel VAUGHAN .....
- 3-John RELISH .....
- 4-Grant DAVIES .....
- 5-Keith OAKES (Capt.) .....
- 6-Tommy TYNAN .....
- 7-Karl ELSEY .....
- 8-Steve LOWNDES .....
- 9-Dave GWYTHYR .....
- 10-John ALDRIDGE .....
- 11-Kevin MOORE .....
- 12-Steve WARRINER .....

SWINDON TOWN

h.t. f.t.

Shirts - Red with White Trim  
Shorts - White

- 1-Jimmy ALLAN .....
- 2-Roy WALSH .....
- 3-David PEACH .....
- 4-Chris KAMARA (Capt.) .....
- 5-Russell LEWIS .....
- 6-Ken STROUD .....
- 7-Ian MILLER .....
- 8-Roy CARTER .....
- 9-Roy GREENWOOD .....
- 10-Alan MAYES .....
- 11-Brian WILLIAMS .....
- 12-Brian HUGHES .....

Attendance .....

## OFFICIALS

Today's Referee is **STEPHEN BATES** of Bristol who has been on the League list for several seasons. He is employed as a landscape and Horticultural gardener.

**LINESMEN:-**

**R.B. GIFFORD** (Bristol) - Red  
**I.W. GUMBLETON** (Bath) - Yellow

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