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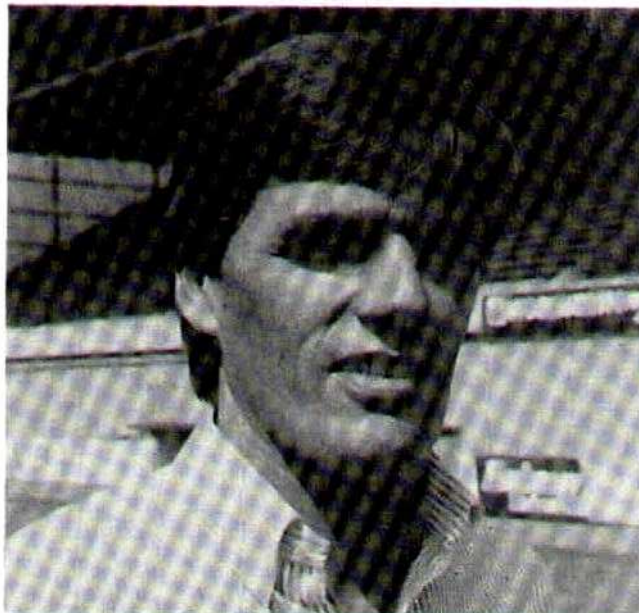
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From the desk of Ken Beamish



Today we welcome the players, officials and supporters of York City to the County Ground. Referring to our last home game against Rochdale, although the result was in our favour, it cost us very dear with the severe break and dislocation to Jimmy Allen's left arm. With the squad as small as it is, we can ill afford to lose any players for a couple of weeks, never mind for a full season and this looks probable in Jim's case.

Jim wishes to pass on his thanks for all the good wishes and flowers he has received over the last few days and conveys the message that there is no doubt about his future career as he had a similar injury in the past from which he made a complete recovery.

It was good to see the reaction against the odds in the second half versus Rochdale and Andy was the first to admit his task in keeping goal was made a lot easier by the work rate of the players in front of him who prevented any real pressure being put on to him in the way of crosses and shots. Hopefully we shall not need Andy to put on the green jersey this afternoon.

This performance was followed by our away fixture at Crewe and although the journey was not an ideal build up for the game, the coach being delayed three hours on the motorway by an overturned fuel tanker denying the players a pre-match meal, this cannot be used as an excuse for the final result.

It was nice in mid-week to have a Wiltshire Centenary Cup Match to get our game flowing again and seeing both wingers in full flow with a mass of goals and goal incidence culminating in a 7-1 victory.

If we can keep this form going this afternoon there will be no celebrations in the York City dressing room after the game. Undoubtedly they are the form team in the Division at the moment and this is an ideal opportunity to show that we mean business this season.

Front cover inset **Mike Graham**

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CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

This afternoon we welcome players and officials of York City F.C. to the County Ground.

York have started the season in fine style and come here today leading the Division.

Last years game was very exciting, we were 4th in the table at that time and we won by 3 goals to 2, goals being scored by Andy Rowlands, Paul Rideout and Howard Pritchard.

We hope todays game will be equally exciting and that the attendance will be better than our last home game against Rochdale.

I thought the 2600 supporters who came to that game were magnificent in their vocal support in the second half and the team responded by giving a fighting performance to finally take the 3 points.

The game was marred however by the serious injury to Jimmy Allen when diving at the feet of a Rochdale forward his arm was broken just below the left elbow. Jim saved a certain goal but will not be back in training for some time yet. He's had an operation in the arm to put the broken pieces back together and has left the Princess

Margaret Hospital and is back at home. Jim's spirits are high and this attitude will do more to bring a speedy recovery than anything else.

Last Saturday we went to Crewe and due to a tanker exploding on the M6 Motorway, the team coach was held up for 2¼ hours, arriving at Crewe at 2 pm instead of 11.45 with the result that players did not have any food before the game. The Crewe side had been hit by injuries and several players were on loan. I thought this to be our worst performance this season and we shall have to show more fight and resolve if we are to progress up the table.

Despite our very poor start we are not so far behind in points, Bristol City in second place are 9 points ahead so if we can put together a good run, we can still look forward to challenging for one of the 4 places to go up.

To the many supporters who have written to me regarding the facilities at the County Ground, I have to say that some toilets have now been repaired whilst others will be cleaned and redecorated as soon as possible. The directors are determined to do all they can to provide you the Spectator with good clean facilities despite the difficult financial situation we and indeed, many clubs are in today.

Finally, the Youth Team has been beaten at last. They were 2 goals up at Wimbledon last Saturday but in the second half, Wimbledon scored 5.



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Behind the scenes

by Bob Jefferies

All matches of 90 minutes' duration - if level an extra half-hour - if level a penalty competition.

This season will see the commencement of a new competition, the Associate Members' Cup Competition, Associate Members being the Third and Fourth Divisions. The Competition will commence on 20th February next and will be run on the following basis:

First Round — Week commencing 20th February

24 clubs (North) - 12 matches - 12 winners
24 clubs (South) - 12 matches - 12 winners

Second Round — Week commencing 12th March

12 clubs (North) - 6 matches - 6 winners
12 clubs (South) - 6 matches - 6 winners

Quarter Finals — Week commencing 19th March

6 clubs + *2 (North) - 4 matches - 4 winners
6 clubs + *2 (South) - 4 matches - 4 winners

*4 clubs to qualify viz:- clubs scoring most goals in competition: if more than 4 the following shall apply:-

- a) Goal difference
- b) Highest score in one match
- c) Least number conceded
- d) Ballot

In all cases goals scored in penalty competition shall not count.

Semi-Finals - Week commencing 9th April

4 clubs (North) - 2 matches - 2 winners
4 clubs (South) - 2 matches - 2 winners

Area Finals - Week commencing 14th May

2 clubs (North) - 1 match - 1 winner
2 clubs (South) - 1 match - 1 winner

National Final

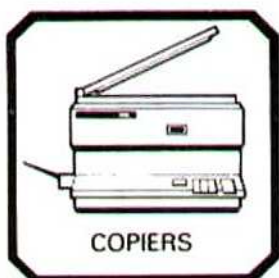
2 clubs (North/South) - 1 match - 1 winner -
Date and venue - to be decided

The football world was saddened last week to learn of the sudden death of Mr Bob Kerry, the Education Officer of the Football League and P.F.A., his organisation being known as the Footballers' Further Education and Vocational Training Society. Many clubs would now be without a Youth Team, yes, maybe even Swindon Town, had it not been for Bob Kerry for it was he who had the vision and insight to realise the potential to the football industry of the Government's Youth Training Scheme. It is entirely due to his tremendous dedication that the Scheme within League football is now fully operational and running so well enabling clubs to take on Apprentices and Trainees funded by Government money, thus continuing with their very important youth policies.

I would remind the supporters of our youth team that the next game in the Football Association Youth Cup Competition is at the Trowbridge Town ground on Thursday, 20th October, 1983 at 7.30 pm. Should a replay be necessary this will take place on the County Ground on Thursday, 27th October, 1983, again at 7.30 pm.

Again a reminder that on Saturday, 5th November the Swindon Lions are staging their Firework Spectacular here on the County Ground at 7.30 pm. In previous years this event has taken place on the Polo Ground but last year almost ten thousand people turned up making life rather difficult for the Lions members in the way of crowd control. It is anticipated that last years attendance might well be exceeded and stand tickets are now on sale in our main office, price £1.60 for adults and 80p for children. Don't be disappointed if you want a seat for this evenings entertainment - there will be a number of acts as well - book now. For those who intend to stand on the terraces the prices will be £1.00 for adults and 50p for juniors.

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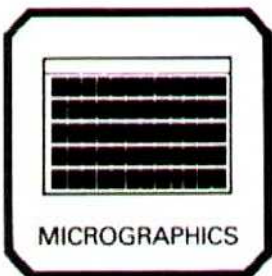
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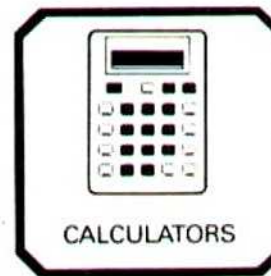
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Date	Opponents
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Appearances		Substitute	Goals
Lge.	Cup	Appearances	Lge. Cup
8	2		
9	2		
8	2		
9	1		
9	2		
7	1		
9	2		
8	1		
9	1		
9	2		
3	1		
5	1		
4			
1			

GOALSCORER SUMMARY		
League	Cup	Total
A. Mayes	6	6
A. Rowland	3	3
D. Hockaday	1	2
G. Nelson	1	2
J. Quinn	1	1

COMPREHENSIVE LEAGUE TABLE

GOALS - Three or more (All scored 3)

Trevor Senior,	Reading v Colchester	Sept. 14th	H 4-3	Milk Cup
	v Stockport	Sept. 3rd	H 6-2	Div. 4
Alan Crawford	Bristol City v Torquay	Sept. 24th	H 5-0	Div. 4
Mike Quinn	Stockport v Crewe	Sept. 30th	A 0-3	Div. 4
John Byrne	York v Chester	Sept. 17th	H 5-2	Div. 4
Dave Caldwell	Mansfield v Aldershot	Oct. 1st	H 5-2	Div. 4

PENALTY SCORERS TO DATE

- 2 MacDonald (Aldershot), Adcock (Colchester) Mayes (Swindon) Barrowclough (Mansfield)
- 1 Deary (Blackpool), Ritchie (Bristol City), Bramhall (Bury), Zalem (Chester), Waller (Crewe), Walsh (Darlington), Snodin (Doncaster), Harvey (Hereford), Horrix (Reading), Quinn (Stockport), Farrell (Rochdale), Pollard (York), Holmes (Torquay).

Total Attendance at Division 4 matches to date: 294,470

Average Attendance: 2,752

Average Goals per match: 2.54

Total of Goals Scored: 275

Home Goals: 181

Away Goals: 94

Last seasons Final position	Agg. Home Attend. this season	Aver. Home Gate this season	Aver. Gate 82-83	+ or - Highest Home Gate to date	PLAYING RECORD										Aggreg. Away Attend. this season	This seasons av away Attend.	Leading Goal scorer	Total of Goals	Where scored			Career Goals inc. Cups		
					P	W	Home D	L	F	A	CLUB	W	D	L					F	A	PTS		H	A
7	19,783	3,956	3,243	+ 6,207	9	5	0	0	15	1	York City	1	2	1	5	4	20	13,403	3,350	John Byrne	8	6	2	38
14	29,463	5,892	4,799	+ 6,739	9	5	0	0	17	1	Bristol City	1	1	2	4	5	19	11,741	2,935	Alan Crawford	7	6	1	100
5	10,734	2,683	3,097	- 3,258	8	2	2	0	7	3	Bury	2	1	1	6	6	15	8,472	2,118	Craig Madden	7	4	3	92
6	8,270	2,067	2,552	- 2,219	9	3	1	0	7	1	Colchester	1	2	2	4	6	15	15,667	3,133	Tony Adcock	10	6	4	33
24	15,685	3,921	2,217	+ 5,875	9	2	1	1	4	4	Hereford	2	2	1	5	4	15	14,747	2,949	Stuart Phillips	5	3	2	37
9	18,021	3,604	2,795	+ 4,400	8	4	1	0	13	2	Peterborough	0	1	2	3	6	14	8,561	2,853	Colin Clarke	6	3	2	22
Div. 3	13,340	3,335	3,540	- 4,996	9	3	1	0	11	3	Doncaster	1	1	3	6	10	14	14,450	2,890	Ernie Moss	7	4	3	217
Div. 3	20,194	4,038	3,226	+ 4,161	9	3	2	0	6	2	Chesterfield	0	3	1	5	6	14	9,677	2,419	Alan Birch	3	2	1	78
15	14,092	2,818	2,593	+ 3,835	9	1	4	0	5	3	Northampton	1	3	0	7	6	13	7,817	1,954	Terry Austin	3	2	1	94
Div. 3	13,757	2,751	2,710	+ 5,472	9	3	2	0	11	4	Wrexham	0	2	2	3	7	13	8,498	2,124	David Gregory	3	2	1	97
19	8,408	2,104	1,921	+ 2,425	9	2	1	1	5	4	Tranmere	1	3	1	3	3	13	9,640	1,928	John Aspinall	3	2	1	10
20	5,655	1,413	1,688	- 1,673	9	3	1	0	8	2	Rochdale	1	0	4	4	13	13	12,163	2,432	Steve Johnson	6	2	4	67
23	11,927	2,385	2,244	+ 2,965	9	3	1	1	6	5	Crewe	1	0	3	1	5	13	11,744	2,938	Mark Lennard	3	1	2	3
18	10,329	2,065	1,928	+ 2,644	9	1	2	2	6	9	Aldershot	2	1	1	4	5	12	7,518	1,879	Dale Banton	6	3	3	34
Div. 3	11,564	2,891	3,458	- 3,688	9	3	1	0	11	5	Reading	0	1	4	5	12	11	16,152	3,230	Trevor Senior	13	8	5	21
21	17,430	3,486	3,002	+ 4,198	9	3	0	2	8	5	Blackpool	0	2	2	1	6	11	12,087	3,021	David McNiven	2	2	0	79
8	12,019	3,004	4,194	- 3,635	9	2	1	1	8	4	Swindon	1	0	4	4	7	10	12,251	2,462	Alan Mayes	6	3	3	120
17	7,454	1,490	1,449	+ 2,181	9	2	1	2	4	5	Darlington	1	0	3	2	5	10	8,983	2,245	Alan Walsh	5	3	2	87
11	6,108	1,527	2,032	- 1,725	9	1	3	0	7	6	Halifax	1	1	3	3	9	10	22,532	4,506	Dave Staniforth	4	2	2	83
16	8,537	2,134	2,309	- 2,244	9	0	2	2	2	6	Stockport	2	1	2	7	9	9	14,635	2,927	Mike Quinn	6	-	6	49
12	9,917	1,983	2,335	- 2,317	9	1	2	2	5	4	Torquay	1	1	2	4	13	9	11,193	2,798	John Sims	3	2	1	78
10	8,961	2,240	2,317	- 2,957	9	2	0	2	8	6	Mansfield	0	2	3	2	11	8	16,902	3,380	Dave Caldwell	5	3	2	36
22	6,329	1,582	1,367	+ 1,831	9	1	1	2	3	4	Hartlepool	0	1	4	3	10	5	13,336	2,667	Alan Waddle	2	1	1	61
13	6,493	1,623	2,071	- 2,090	9	1	1	2	4	5	Chester	0	0	5	3	13	4	12,501	2,500	Andy Elliott	2	1	1	2

No. of Home Wins:

56

No. of Draws: 31

No. of Away Wins:

20

No. of 0-0 Draws: 13

Highest Aggregate Score to Date: Reading 6 Stockport 2

Highest Attendance to Date: 6,739 Bristol City v Halifax

Lowest Attendance to Date: 1,091 Darlington v Swindon

Highest Home Win: Reading 6

Stockport 2

Highest Away Win: Aldershot 1

Hereford 4

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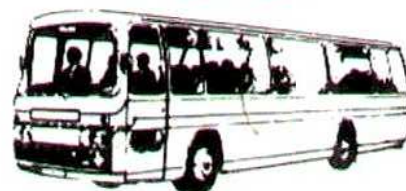
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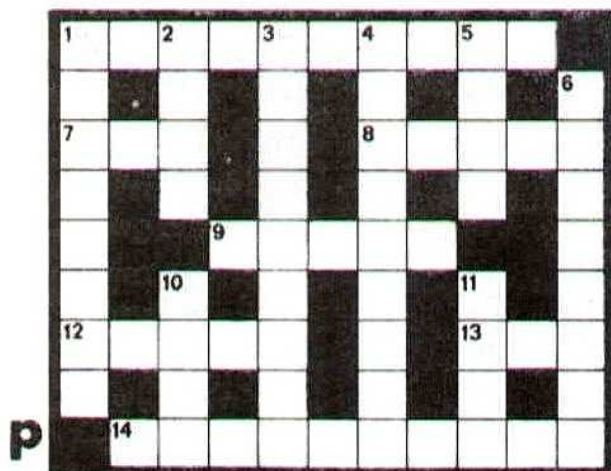
GOALSCORER SUMMARY

Total	2
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LEAGUE TABLE at 11.10.1983

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Ninety-Niner Crossword devised by David Peck



ACROSS

1. Welsh Under-23 forward in action in the 1970s with Peterborough, Portsmouth and Barnsley (5, 5)
7. Scots for whom Derek Frye has been top-scorer for the last four seasons. (3)
8. After 200 games for Grimsby in the 1970s, he became manager there in 1982. (5)

9. Billy Liddell wrote a book called My Soccer ----- (5)
12. The country beaten by New Zealand in the 1982 special qualifying eliminator for the last place in the World Cup finals. (5)
13. Over the line (but not a goal). (3)
14. Old England winger who shared around 500 games between Burnley, Bolton, Bury and Barrow. (10)

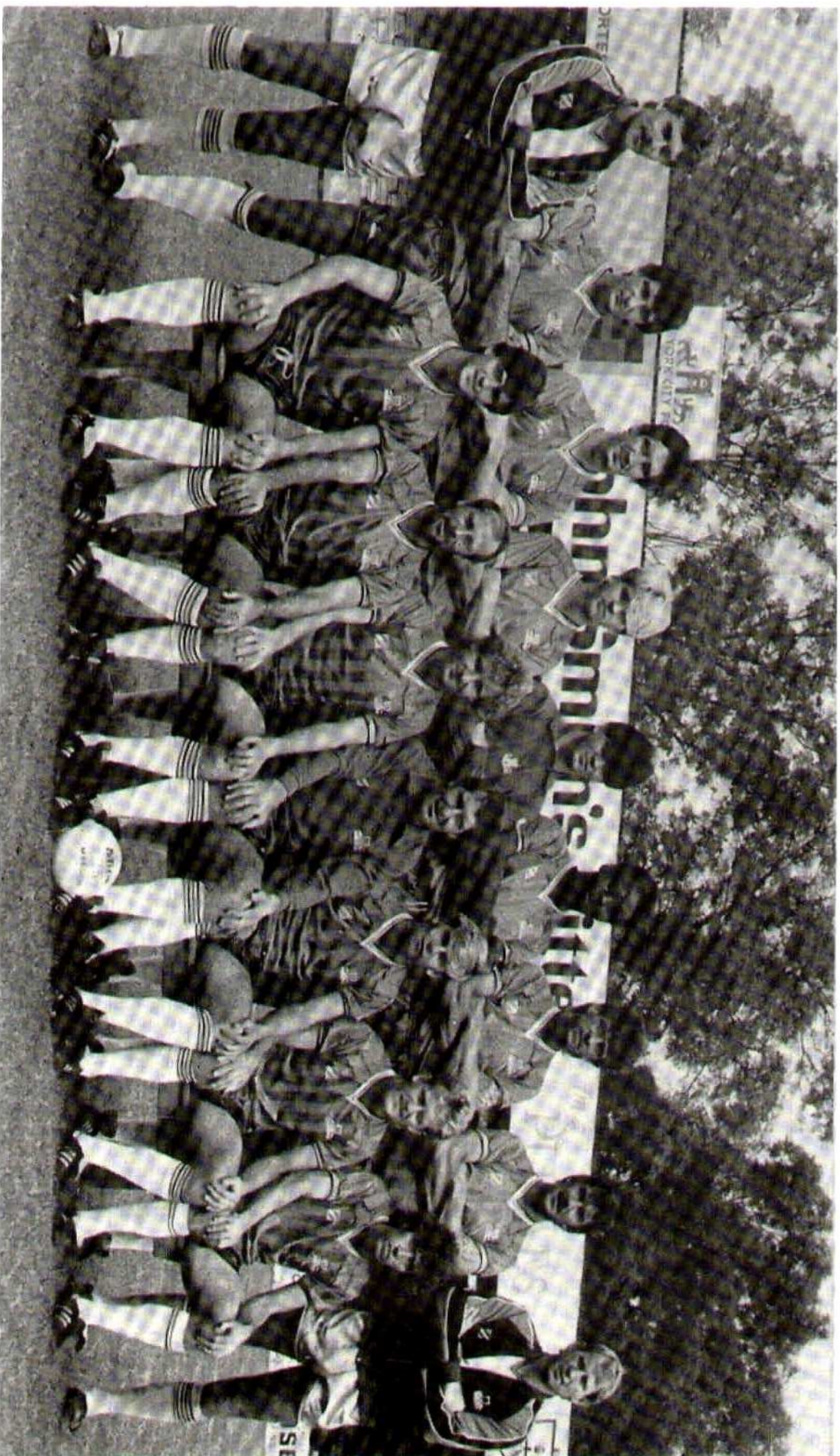
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1. ----- match. (8)
2. Despite his name, Rifat - - - is an Arab and and international for Israel! (4)
3. He should be at 2! (5-4)
4. Winger who swapped Clough for Taylor in 1983. (9)
5. He established Colchester's appearances record in 1979 but was still boosting it in 1983. (4)
6. Club for whom Nicky Johns was voted Player of the Year. (8)
10. Old Brazilian ace seen with Fluminense and Real Madrid and famed for his curving ('dry leaf') dead-ball kicks. (4)
11. He can always supply you with a big match ticket ... at the right price! (4)

QUIZLINE

1. When was the last time that two players from the same club finished the season as joint 1st Division top scorers?
2. On how many occasions would the destiny of the League Championship been changed had 3 points been awarded for a win since 1947?
3. Who has captained England at cricket and also scored two goals in a Wembley Cup Final?
4. Which present 1st Division Club has the smallest pitch (this may surprise you)?
5. Which player played for Scotland in the 1974 World Cup Finals, the 1982 Finals, but not in 1978?
6. On which ground did England play their last HOME match away from Wembley?
7. Under the old "two points for a win" system what was the greatest number of points scored by a team that failed to gain promotion to the First Division?
8. Which was the last Fourth Division side to reach the semi-finals of the League cup?
9. Who played in the World Cup Finals of 1938 and was a national manager in the 1982 finals?
10. Who is the only player to have played in three European cup semi-finals with three different British clubs?
11. Who was the 1st substitute to score two goals for England in a full international?
12. Seven clubs have been 1st Division runners-up but have never won the championship, how many can you name?
13. Who, in 1960 became the first 4th Division side to knock a 1st Division team out of the F.A. cup?
14. In 1958 England played one country three times within a month, which country was it?
15. Which club has been forced to apply for re-election to the league the greatest number of times?
16. Which club fielded men with exactly the same name, playing in the same position in cup-winning sides 60 years apart?
17. In which Scottish town do East Fife play?
18. Who is the only man to have scored in a League cup final both at Wembley and also before the final was staged at Wembley.
19. Which was the last club to concede over 100 goals in one 1st Division season?
20. Which was the only occasion that England played a HOME match on the ground of a club who were in the Third Division at the time?
(Obviously games at Wrexham or Cardiff were away matches).

YORK CITY



Back Row — Left to Right: Viv Busby (Player/Coach), Alan Hay, Ricky Shragia, John Byre, Mike Astbury, Keith Walwyn, John MacPhail, Derek Hood, Denis Smith (Player/Manager)

Front Row — Left to Right: Chris Evans, Brian Pollard, Malcolm Crosby, Roger Jones, Steve Senior, Gary Ford, Sean Haslegrave

PEN PICTURES

VIV BUSBY, Player/Coach

Denis Smith's appointed assistant Viv moved to Bootham Crescent on the same day as the Manager. An experienced forward he started his career with Luton Town and his other Clubs have been Fulham (F.A. Cup runners up medal 1974/75) Norwich City, Stoke City, Tulsa Roughnecks (USA) and Blackburn Rovers. Last term he made 9 + 7 substitute league appearances and scored 4 times.

MIKE ASTBURY, Goalkeeper

Promising young keeper Mike is a former apprentice who made his Football League debut in 1980/81 at the age of 16. Last season his first team league appearances were limited to 4 matches but he is an able understudy to Roger Jones.

JOHN BYRNE, Forward

Manchester born John joined City as an apprentice in the Summer of 1977 and made his league debut in September 1979. Regarded as one of the most skilful forwards in the 4th Division John played 42 league games - 12 goals last term and at the start of the present campaign had made 119 Football League appearances for the Club and scored 26 goals.

MALCOLM CROSBY, Midfield

After 10 years at Aldershot and over 300 senior games for the Hampshire Club Malcolm moved to Bootham Crescent in November 1981. An industrious and skilful player he made 38 league appearances last season scoring 2 goals and is a vital cog in midfield.

CHRISTOPHER EVANS, Defender

Joined City from Stoke City in the summer of 1982 and previous to that was on Arsenal's books. He made his Football League debut on the opening day of last season and went on to be an "ever present" last term. Capped for Wales at Schoolboy and Youth International level Chris is a highly rated young player.

GARY FORD, Midfield/Forward

Local born Gary is the Club's longest continuous serving player having been with City since June 1977 when he became an apprentice professional. He made his Football League debut in October 1978 and at the start of the present campaign had 191 league games to his credit with 29 goals.

SEAN HASLEGRAVE, Midfield

A close season signing Sean is a player with plenty of experience of 1st and 2nd division football. He started his career with Stoke City before moving on to Nottingham Forest and Preston North End. In the last two seasons he has been with Crewe Alexandra.

ALAN HAY, Defender

Alan joined the Club at the beginning of last season and quickly established himself in the left back position making 42 league appearances. A Scot he started his English career with Bolton Wanderers and then moved to Bristol City with whom he had 1st Division experience.

DEREK HOOD, Defender/Midfield

A regular member of the first team since signing from Hull City in February 1980 Derek has been an ever present in each of the last two seasons. A tireless worker he is a most popular player and was voted "Clubman of the Year" by supporters in 1982/83. His record for the Club at the start of the present season - 150 league games - 16 goals. He served his apprenticeship with West Bromwich Albion before moving to Boothferry Park.

ROGER JONES, Goalkeeper

Now in his second season with City Roger who is Club Captain, is one of the leagues most experienced and respected goalkeepers. He made his league debut with Bournemouth in 1965/66 and his other Clubs have been Blackburn Rovers, Newcastle United, Stoke City, Derby County and Birmingham City (on loan). Last season he made 42 league appearances and in doing so passed a career total of over 600 league games. Roger was capped at Under 23 level for England.

JOHN MACPHAIL, Defender

Signed from Sheffield United in March 1983 after a period on loan earlier in the year John settled into the centre of the defence towards the end of last season making a total of 12 league appearances. A Scot he started his professional career with his home town Club Dundee before moving to Bramall Lane where he made nearly 150 senior appearances. A keen tackler he is very strong in the air.

BRIAN POLLARD, Midfield/Forward

Local born Brian is in his second spell with the Club having returned to Bootham Crescent in September 1981 after a 4 year absence which took him to Watford, Mansfield Town and Blackpool. A former Youth Team player and England Youth International he made his Football League debut for City in March 1972 as a 17 year old. He made 163 league appearances - 34 goals before being transferred to Watford in November 1977 for £33,000. Played in every league game last season and was the Club's second leading marksman with 17 league goals. He took over as the Teams "penalty expert" last term.

RICHARD SBAGIA, Defender

Joining City during the summer of 1982 Ricky was an ever present last season and was a model of consistency in the centre of the defence. A Scot he started his league career with Birmingham City and has also seen service with Walsall, Morton (on loan) and Blackpool.

STEVE SENIOR, Defence/Midfield

A former apprentice Steve made his Football League debut in the last game of the 1980/81 season. A talented and versatile young player he played in 10 league matches last term.

KEITH WALWYN, Forward

West Indian born Keith joined City from Chesterfield in the summer of 1981 for a small fee and has proved to be a bargain buy. In his two completed seasons for the Club he has scored 44 league goals in 85 appearances - an extremely consistent record. Big, strong and fearless Keith is undoubtedly one of the 4th Division's most respected and feared strikers.

SURVEY ON DIVISION IV

by Dave King

(A week by week report on our Division)

It would not be appropriate to commence this report without wishing our goalkeeper Jim Allan a speedy recovery from his unfortunate injury. The facts of Jim's career shown below emphasises his loyalty to the Club, to date he has played 371 league games. A breakdown of matches show the following:

	Home Matches	Away Matches	Matches with no Goals Conceded	Total of Goals Conceded	Won	Matches Drawn	Lost
Football League	179	192	96	533	122	101	148
Milk Cup	14	19	5	51	15	8	10
F.A. Cup	17	15	7	44	15	8	9
	210	226	108	628	152	117	167

Jim has played on 74 of the 92 league grounds at first team level.

When Mike Quinn of Stockport County scored his hat trick at Crewe on Friday Sept. 30th, that brought his total to four. Previously he had scored hat tricks for his former club Wigan at Doncaster in Div. 4 on Oct. 8th 1980, and with two for Stockport last season against Crewe and Halifax. With 101 appearances and 14 as substitute he has now netted 48 goals.

Three clubs are celebrating their centenary this year, Stockport, Darlington and Tranmere. The oldest club in our Division is Chesterfield formed in 1866 and the youngest Colchester in 1937.

The weekend matches of October 1st saw York City leading the Division, by one point from Bristol City, after defeating Blackpool at home with Keith Walwyn and John Byrne scoring twice.

Hereford had their largest home crowd for 3 years 5,875 at their 0-2 home defeat by Bristol City.

Northampton remain unbeaten still after their 1-1 home draw with Chesterfield, but they had only won twice.

Mansfield who had previously only scored three goals hit five against Aldershot with Dave Caldwell scoring a hat trick.

Torquay's first home win 4-1 against Doncaster left Stockport the only club not to win at home.

The weekends statistics: October 1st

Home Wins 7	Total Aggregate Attendance: 33,003	Average Gate: 3,000
Away Wins 3	Highest Attendance: 5,875 Hereford v Bristol City.	
Draws 1	Highest Aggregate Score: Mansfield 5 Aldershot 2.	

Doncaster Rovers have resigned former Youth International David Harle from Exeter City, he had joined Exeter in July last year. Bath University student Martyn Hirst has signed part time for Bristol City. Crewe Alexandra have signed two players on a months loan Wayne Bray from Bristol City, and Stuart Naylor from Lincoln.

A ten per cent increase in home midweek attendance by their rivals from across the City has tempted Bristol City to follow Rovers in kicking off at 7.45 p.m. for the rest of the season.

Bury manager Jim Iley won the manager of the month award from Bells Whiskey for September, with the Canon goal scoring award for Aug/Sep. going to Bristol City with 16.

Bristol City apprentices Mark Jones and Kevin Slabber have been released, Jones only appearances in the league was as substitute in our final home match of last season, he was snapped up by our former player Chris Porter now manager of Bridgwater. Chesterfield vice chairman Mike Waterson was a recent participant in the Jamieson Whiskey Snooker Tournament at Newcastle.

The performance of Chester in winning 1-0 at Leeds before United's lowest crowd for 21 years, 8,106, was the best performance in the 2nd rnd. of the Milk Cup. Colchester's 1-1 draw at Swansea and Peterborough's 0-0 draw at Stoke were creditable performances. As was Torquay's 0-0 home draw with Manchester City, leaving all four clubs with a reasonable chance in the 2nd leg. But home defeats for Aldershot, Chesterfield, Doncaster and Stockport with Crewes 8-1 defeat at QPR have left them all with a lot to do to progress further.

News of former players: former apprentice Rob Furley is now with Southern league Forest Green, while Newport County are prepared to release Ken Stroud.

Today's visitors York are still leading the Division after their emphatic 3-0 home win over Colchester, the 6207 crowd was their largest of the season. They have now been undefeated at home for a year, in that period they have won 21 matches and drawn 2, fourteen visiting sides have failed to score, they have scored 66 goals and conceded 11. With last seasons form continuing into this they already look the strongest bet for promotion. The last club to win at York were Wimbledon on Oct. 16th last year by 4-1.

The highest gate of the season 6,739 watched Bristol City gain a 3-0 home win over Halifax to retain second place, this attendance is likely to be beaten next Tuesday when York visit Ashton Gate.

Rochdale's 2-0 away win at Blackpool was their first away win since their 2-1 away win at York on April 27th 1982! Losing 21 matches and drawing 8 in that period.

Chester continue to prop up the Division after their 1-2 defeat at Darlington before the Divisions lowest crowd of the day 1,117.

Weekend statistics for October 8th:

Home Wins 5 Total Aggregate Attendance: 40,744 Average Gate: 3,740
Away Wins 1 Highest Attendance 6,739 Bristol City v Halifax
Draws 6 Highest Aggregate score: Bury 2 Mansfield 2. Northampton 2 Reading 2
Goals scored: 27 Lowest Attendance 1,117 Darlington v Chester

Northampton still remain undefeated after their 2-2 home draw with Reading last Sunday.

Most unusual goal of the day Chesterfields goalkeeper Jim Brown 65th minute effort against Stockport with a drop kick! The second of his career!

Tranmere have not scored from the penalty spo since April 10th 1982 when Clive Burgess netted in a 3-1 home win over Blackpool. Town Beware!

Current form of todays visitors league leaders YORK CITY

Home

Away

Grimsby (Milk Cup) 2-1	Stockport	W2-0
Rochdale 2-0	Chesterfield	L1-2
Peterborough 2-0	Grimsby (Milk Cup) L0-2	
Chester 4-1	Darlington	D0-0
Blackpool 4-0	Doncaster	D2-2
Colchester 3-0		

Goalscorers: (inc. Milk Cup) Byrne 8 (6 home, 2 away), Walwyn 6 (4 hole, 2 away), McPhail 3 (2 home, 1 away), Pollard 3 (3 home, including 1 penalty), Ford 2 (2 home).

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| 6. Jack Charlton. | 15. Ted Harper (Blackburn | |
| 7. Roy Bentley (v. Wales in 1954). | | |
| 8. Clapham Rovers (in 1880). | | |

Introducing The Board



ROBERT STEPHENS lives in London, is married, and has one son aged 5 who is now being encouraged to support Swindon, and who attends some matches. Robert, although London born in 1944, lived in Ashton Keynes for 30 years, to where his family moved when he was very young.

Robert was educated at Felsted public school in Essex, which although a prominent rugby playing school, Robert would kick a football around whenever possible with his best friend Martin Cearns who is now a director of West Ham United. Robert played cricket for the school. On finishing his

education he joined his father's business in Cirencester, which were involved in caravan and boat manufacture, and also plastics, and it was the plastics company that became particularly successful being later acquired by Royal Doulton. Robert is now a director of Cirencester Plastics Ltd. and is a London based sales executive. Robert first visited the County Ground in 1956 with a family friend, and from thereon his affection for Swindon Town was cemented, and he realised his long held ambition of involvement with the Club at board level when he was appointed a director in September 1974.

John Ward talks to SCOTT ENDERSBY

Scott Endersby was born in Wellingborough in Northamptonshire and was still only 13 when he was spotted playing for his school by Derek Dougan, then managing Kettering. "He liked me", Scott explained "and had me over twice a week training for the First Team." He was also playing for the exotically named "Irthlingborough Diamonds" in the United Counties League.

It was not entirely easy to piece together Scott's early footballing years: not only did his interjections prevent the interview following an orderly course ("Do you always write diagonally like that?" he asked at one stage. "Does it mean you have a funny character?") but Garry Nelson was also on hand, which removed any possibility of the conversation remaining serious for more than a minute or so. "We played against each other in our youth teams," Garry insisted. "Put in that I beat him at the far post."

Youngest Ever Goakeeper

"The manager after Dougan was called Mick Jones," Scott continued in between the interruptions. "The First Team keeper was Graham Horne. Then the manager dropped him and I was in the First Team at 15. Not only in the Southern League but in the FA Cup as well. I was the youngest ever goalkeeper in the competition, Guinness Book of Records and all that, against Tilbury." All this time Scott was also having trials with a whole host of clubs. "My father used to take me to them", Scott said. "I owe a lot to him; he always encouraged me to be a footballer but he never pressured me. And Mick Jones the manager was advising me. I remember there was Chelsea, Villa, Forest, West Bromwich and Ipswich. I was tempted by West Brom: there was a certain Mr Atkinson there at the time. I played for Chelsea three times in a week, Youth Team, Reserves then the First Team for one half in a testimonial. Any one of them would have done but in the end I chose Ipswich; what persuaded me was the number of First Team players who had come through the Youth Team."

Scott went to Ipswich when he was 16. In his first season as an apprentice he played in twenty-three football combination games for the Reserves because Laurie Sivell was injured. The following season the total was twenty-five games and he signed as a full professional at 17. In his third year it was up to thirty, with six games in Europe on the substitute bench. The details came tripping off the tongue: "I was playing in the England Youth Team as well," said Scott. "So by then I had played in fourteen countries. When I was 18 I spent the close season on loan in Sweden playing for a Second Division team, Mora. It was all good experience. I have no regrets at all about my time at Ipswich; but eventually I was no longer content with being number three so I went to Tranmere in search of First Team football."

Tribulations at Tranmere

Bryan Hamilton had by then left Swindon to manage Tranmere and although he had moved

from Ipswich before Scott arrived there, he had received good reports about him from Mick Mills. "When I went to Tranmere," said Scott "I started as number two to a goalkeeper called Dicky Johnson: he had played three hundred and fifty league games but after three games I was in the First Team. Last season I missed ten through injury but I still won two out of the three Player of the Year awards that were on offer, the away one and the local newspaper's; the winner of the home award played in all the games which I missed due to injury."

I said that it was surprising to find him at Swindon when he had obviously been such a success at Tranmere. "It was because Bryan had been given only a couple of years to do something at Tranmere; so this season is make or break for him and probably for the Club. He had the opportunity of getting Dai Davies and in the circumstances felt that his experience would be better for the Club. But to thank me for what I had done for him he gave me a free transfer and helped to fix me up here."

I asked what it had been like playing for a club which enjoyed a temporary and unprecedented period of publicity not because of its football achievements but because it had looked likely to go bankrupt. "As far as the players were concerned it went very well," Scott replied. "We kept on winning and the crowds were good - by Tranmere standards anyway - because the people came to show their support, so it was a good atmosphere to play in. Everyone was trying extra hard because we knew the Club might fold at any minute so there were managers and scouts watching us; you were playing for yourself, if you like, although I suppose a goalkeeper does that all the time because it is such an individualistic position."

"It was a superb feat by Bryan to keep us up," Scott continued. "There were only six full-time professionals; the rest were part-time and quite honestly some of them were not as good as the players you find in the United Counties League. Because of so many part-timers we often trained funny hours; it was often at six o'clock in the evening but it probably made the six of us full-timers more professional; we had to set an example. It makes me laugh when I hear some of the players here complaining about only having sixteen in the First Team squad. It's ten more than I've been used to and another difference is that everyone here has what it takes; they're all good players."

Still only 21 but with a range of football experience already behind him and plenty of good games under his belt Scott is currently renting a house in Swindon. He was engaged to an Ipswich girl when he moved to Tranmere but she did not like Liverpool and the engagement fell through. "So I am still single," said Scott. "Any offer will be seriously considered!"

Substitute goalkeeper Andy Rowland well protected by colleagues left to right, Jimmy Quinn, Colin Bailie, Paul Barry and Mike Graham in the home victory over Rochdale.

Bottom Left

Rochdale goalkeeper Conroy bravely gathers the ball from the feet of Swindon's Garry Nelson in the Town's last home win.

Top Right

Scorer of one goal and maker of the other, Alan Mayes shoots just wide on this occasion against Rochdale.

Bottom Right

A jubilant Jim Quinn celebrates after scoring his late winner against Rochdale.



Photo Call

BY DAVE EVANS



Half time and Full time

by Dave King

It is often argued amongst soccer fans up and down the country that their club is a first half or second half team. Basically they believe that their club either start a match strongly and fades, or vice versa. Always an interesting topic on the terraces, of course it must vary season by season, nevertheless it is of interest to take a seasons results and the relative half time score in both Home and Away matches, apply the same points system and see how much variance that there it.

If we take the past season 1982-83 we find the following:-

Home Matches			
ALDERSHOT	2-0	HT	0-0
BLACKPOOL	3-3	HT	2-3
BRISTOL CITY	2-0	HT	1-0
BURY	1-1	HT	1-1
CHESTER	2-3	HT	1-1
COLCHESTER	3-0	HT	2-0
CREWE	1-0	HT	1-0
DARLINGTON	1-2	HT	1-1
HALIFAX	0-1	HT	0-0
HARTLEPOOL	3-0	HT	1-0
HEREFORD	3-2	HT	1-0
HULL CITY	0-1	HT	0-0
MANSFIELD	4-0	HT	2-0
NORTHAMPTON	1-5	HT	1-2
PETERBOROUGH	1-0	HT	0-0
PORT VALE	1-0	HT	0-0
ROCHDALE	4-1	HT	1-1
SCUNTHORPE	2-2	HT	1-2
STOCKPORT	2-0	HT	0-0
TORQUAY	2-1	HT	1-0
TRANMERE	4-2	HT	2-1
WIMBLEDON	0-1	HT	0-0
YORK	3-2	HT	2-1

In our Home matches at full time we had 45 points, compared with 38 points at half time. A few interesting factors emerge, in three losing half time situations we were never able to turn it into a winning full time situation. At half time we were in nine winning situations and we never surrendered these once, half time draws were turned to victories on five occasions, and the same amount were to end in defeat, and the other half time draw ended the same result at full time.

We scored 21 goals in the first half of our matches and 24 in the second half of our matches.

If we now have a look at our Away matches applying the same we find (our score first):-

Away Matches			
ALDERSHOT	1-1	HT	0-0
BLACKPOOL	1-2	HT	1-1
BRISTOL CITY	1-1	HT	0-0
BURY	0-0	HT	0-0
CHESTER	1-0	HT	0-0
COLCHESTER	0-1	HT	0-0
CREWE	0-3	HT	0-3
DARLINGTON	0-1	HT	0-1
HALIFAX	0-1	HT	0-0
HARTLEPOOL	2-1	HT	1-1
HEREFORD	2-1	HT	0-1
HULL CITY	0-0	HT	0-0
MANSFIELD	0-1	HT	0-0
NORTHAMPTON	1-0	HT	1-0
PETERBOROUGH	3-4	HT	1-4
PORT VALE	0-3	HT	0-1
ROCHDALE	1-1	HT	1-1
SCUNTHORPE	0-2	HT	0-1
STOCKPORT	2-1	HT	1-1
TORQUAY	1-1	HT	0-0
TRANMERE	0-2	HT	0-0
WIMBLEDON	0-0	HT	0-0
YORK	0-0	HT	0-0

In our away matches at full time we had 23 points compared with 19 at half time. We were able to turn one losing half time situation into victory but five others ended in defeat. The one occasion we were in the lead at half time we went on to win, half time draws were turned to victories on three occasions, five were to end in defeat and eight were to end in same draw state at full time.

We scored 6 goals in the first half of our matches and ten in the second half.

Taking the Home and Away matches together we gained 68 points at full time and at half time we had 57. Our playing record in Home and Away matches in the two situations would have read:-

Home Matches						
	W	D	L	F	A	Points
HALF TIME	9	11	3	21	13	38
FULL TIME	14	3	6	45	27	45

Away Matches						
	W	D	L	F	A	Points
HALF TIME	1	16	6	6	15	19
FULL TIME	5	8	10	16	27	23

An interesting analysis, but I think if last season was any guide line I will in future wait for the full time whistle rather than imagine we have a half time advantage.

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Began refereeing in 1963 in Northamptonshire and progressed to the United Counties League. Moved to Stevenage in 1973 and continued via the Southern League to the Football League List. Officiated as linesman in 1977 F.A. Trophy Final and refereed an F.A. Vase quarter-final match and a Southern League Championship match in 1978. In 1981 refereed an F.A. Vase semi-final.

Married with two daughters, he is a cartographic surveyor making Ordnance Survey maps. Plays most sports particularly cricket, table-tennis, squash and golf. Is involved with training of referees and in teaching Laws of the Game to candidates taking F.A. coaching courses.

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