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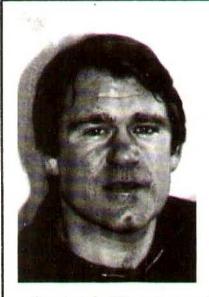


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DAVE'S DIARY



Twice in four days.... Amazing, isn't it, that we last caught sight of Swindon at their place way back in the early part of September, yet now face them in a Fourth Division fixture plus a Freight/Roger cup-tie within the space of a week.

Not that we at Plainmoor are complaining. On the contrary, we welcome our friends from the County Ground for what are a couple of West Country Derbies.

It's not often that we are able to entertain clubs from so few miles away, but, hopefully, those of you who have travelled from Wiltshire will blend in with our supporters here at Plainmoor and enjoy yourselves during both matches. This isn't the best time of year, weatherwise, to be playing games, let along watching football.

I therefore thank each and every one of you for turning up today and supporting us through the turnstiles. It matters little at the moment whether the game is a League match or a cup-tie. We need as many paying bodies as we can muster in order to keep this club of ours alive.

You will see from Press reports that striker Benny Laryea is the latest to leave us, as we attempt to get our financial house in order. It was no reflection on Benny that we agreed, mutually, to cancel his contract, but we couldn't possibly afford to have him on our payroll while I couldn't see him holding down a regular first team spot.

As yet we don't have a reserve team, and it wasn't doing Benny any good that he should be side lined when he needed games to help in his soccer education.

That seems to have been my problem most of the season. It's not that we have made mistakes in signing players like Benny, Gary Perry, Dean Whitehouse and Paul Chambers. It's just that I've been forced to let them go because I haven't got anywhere to play them until next season when a Midweek Reserve League is introduced. That's when I believe you will see a difference in some of the youngsters I bring to Plainmoor. They'll then have a platform on which to learn their trade and prove themselves before being slung in at the deep end.

Take care.

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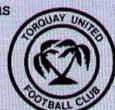
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SWINDON TOWN

Today we welcome a Swindon team currently in mid-table in what is only their third ever season in Division Four and for many of our older fans memories will be reawakened of their numerous encounters with us in the old Division Three (South) days. Founded in 1881 Swindon were still members of the Southern League when reaching the F.A. Cup semi final in both 1910 and 1912. Like numerous other Southern League Clubs they formed the new Division Three in 1920. This became Division Three (South) a year later upon the formation of the Northern section and they stayed there throughout its existence. Up to the reorganisation in 1958 they had survived four re-election applications and had climbed to fourth place on three occasions.

1958 saw them moving up to Division Two for the first time ever and though they slipped back down again in 1960 this heralded the most successful spell in their history. With men like Ernie Hunt, Mike Summerbee and Don Rogers in their lineup they pulled off several useful cup feats, reaching a climax in 1968-69 when winning the FL Cup (now the Milk Cup) after beating Arsenal at Wembley. For good measure they also won promotion that season and just a year later they climbed to fifth place in Division Two and also won the Anglo-Italian Cup. They were relegated in 1974 and then came a period of fluctuating fortunes. They just missed promotion in 1974-75 but then came several relegation scares before finally going down at the end of 1981-82, losing their last game at Newport when a win would have kept them up.

In the last two seasons they have finished eighth and fifteenth respectively. Though in mid-table throughout last season they did enjoy an FA Cup run, beating Kettering, Millwall and Carlisle before going down 2-1 to Second Division Blackburn.

THIS SEASON

TOTAL

So far this season they have lost at home to Port Vale and ourselves and also went out of the FA Cup in a replay with non-league Dagenham. On their travels they have won at Tranmere and Rochdale while on New Year's Day they chalked up a fine 4-0 win against Chesterfield. Longserving **Andy Rowland** and new signing **Dale Gordon** got two goals each in the Chesterfield game and others needing to be watched today include **Peter Coyne** (ex-Manchester United and Crew) in his first season and former Blackpool man **David Hockaday** in his second season. Also capable of snatching the odd goal is that old warhorse **Lou Macari** in his first season as player/manager while in midfield **Paul Batty** is a home-grown product. **Garry Nelson** from Scotland and **Nigel Gray** (ex-Orient) are both in their second seasons while **Charlie Henry** and **Colin Baillie** are one-club men in defence. **Chris Ramsey** has arrived from Brighton this season and in goal **Scott Endersby** is the former Tranmere man in his second season.

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1966-67	1-0	0-0	3	1982-83		1-1	1-2	4
1967-68	1-1	0-1	3	1983-84		1-1	1-2	4
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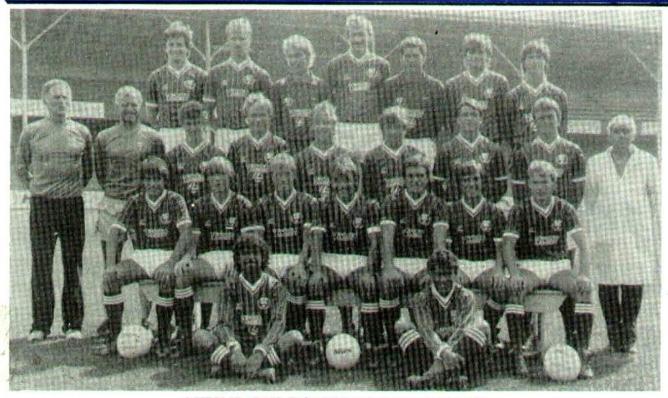
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Player	Playing Position	Debut for United	Apps for Utd.	Goals for Utd.
Mike Turner	Goalkeeper	5.4.64 v Chesterfield (A)		
			League Cup — FA Cup —	
John Smith	Midfield	29.10.66 v Oldham (A)	League 68	League 8
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			FA Cup 3	FA Cup —
Cliff Jackson	Midfield	15.8.70 v Brighton (A)	League 127	League 13
			League Cup 7	League Cup 2
			FA Cup 7	FA Cup —
Tony Gough	Midfield	12.8.72 v Aldershot (H)	League 2	
			League Cup 1	
			FA Cup —	





SWINDOW TOWN SQUAD 1984-85

Back row: Charlie Henry, Simon Gibson, Alan Churchward, Nigel Gray, Scott Endersby, Andy Wollen, Mark Hughes. Centre: Harry Gregg (Assistant Manager), John Trollope (Youth Team Manager), Jamie Reynolds, Mark Gardiner, Martin Davison, Sean Prowse, Mike Graham, Dave Hockaday, Kevin Morris (Physiotherapist). Front Row: Paul Batty, Gary Nelson, Leigh Barnard, Lou Macari (Player/Manager), Andy Rowland, Alan Mayes, Colin Bailie. Seated: Mark Payne, Sheldon Lee.

Roy Carter	Midfield/Striker	16.10.82 v Northamptn (H) League 27	League 8
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			FA Cup -	FA Cup -
Brian Hughes	Midfield	27.8.82 v Halifax (A)	League 38	League 5
		Scored in 2-2 draw	Milk Cup 4	Milk Cup -
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MOST GOALS BY UNITED PLAYER IN SINGLE MATCH V SWINDON

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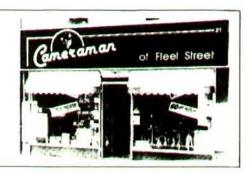
Monday 26 December 1983 (Division 4) UNITED 1 (Hughes) SWINDON 0 Attendance 2,837

UNITED: Turner, Pugh, Wharton, Impey, Hughes, Carr, Lennox, Curle, Barnes, Sims, Anderson SWINDON: Endersby, Henry, Bailie, Batty, Rowland, Graham, Hockaday, Emmanuel, Quinn, Mayes, Barnard.

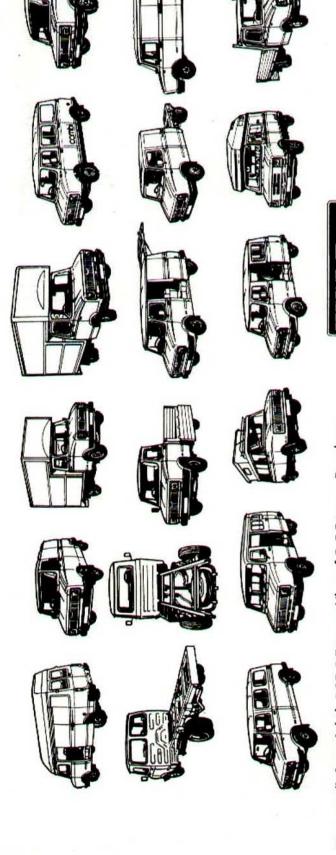


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PLAYERS PORTRAIT



GARY WRIGHT

Full Name: Gary Wright Birthplace: Torquay Car: Chrysler Avenger Previous Clubs: None

Trade Before Turning Pro: None

Nickname: Wrighty

Favourite FL Player: Peter Reid (Everton)
Favourite Foreign Player: Zico (Brazil)
Favourite Other Team: Liverpool

Favourite Away Ground: Fratton Park — Portsmouth Most Difficult Opponent: They are all difficult Most Memorable Match: Debut for United v Aldershot

Favourite Other Sports: All sports Likes: Watching football/good food

Dislikes: Smoking

Favourite TV Show: Minder/Any sports programme

Favourite Pop Star: Diana Ross Favourite Acress: Joan Collins Favourite Actor: Michael Caine

Superstitions: None

Pre-Match Meal: Poached eggs

Who would you most like to meet? Pele

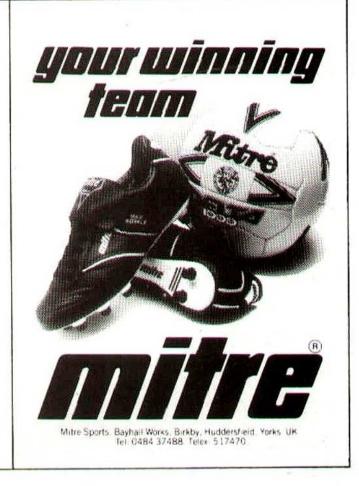


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ODD HAPPENINGS

The first Football League games were played on September 8 1888 and were five in number with Bolton crashing 6-3 at home to Derby, Preston beating Burnley 5-2, Wolves and Aston Villa drawing 1-1 and Stoke losing 2-0 at home to West Bromwich Albion and Everton beating Accrington 2-1. Notts county and Blackburn, the remaining clubs of the 12 original members, did not commence their programme until the following week.

Inevitably problems cropped up in those early seasons, one of the biggest of which was to prove a perennial one — the poaching of players. In 1890 the League Management Committee passed the resolution that Any League Club offering inducements to a player of another League club to leave the club of which that player is a member, or engaging the player of another club without the consent of the club of which a player is a member shall be deemed guilty of objectionable conduct and dealt with as provided by Rule 11.

Many would say that this problem has still not been fully solved today, but be that as it may, loopholes were found in many of those early laws.

The end of that first season was extended to March 15, 1889 so that clubs had an additional fortnight in which to complete the schedule of matches, the fixtures for which still lay in the hands of the individual clubs by arrangement with their fellows.

The fact that clubs frequently fell foul of the laws in those early days had a most useful spin-off for the Football League, which as a new body had few sources of revenue from which to draw its income. At the end of the second season it was calculated that full receipts were something in excess of £141 of which over £71 had been obtained from fines. At the following annual meeting the rules were tightened up still further and very quickly another £50 was raised from a fine imposed on Wolverhampton Wanderers for poaching a Preston North End player. At this stage a Mr. Lockett of Stoke, who had been honorary secretary up to this point was awarded a salary of £20 for the coming season and in addition presented with a gift of £30 for his services during the first two seasons.



SCENE 4

Division Four suffered more than other Divisions last weekend with only three games being played, but all three affected the promotion battle. There was a major shock at Halifax where the home side followed up the five successive defeats that have plunged them towards the danger zone by beating leaders Bury 4-1 with young one-time Barnsley striker **Simon Lowe** getting the first hat-trick of his career. This ended Bury's recent run of three successive wins and maintained Halifax's excellent run against the 'Snakers' in recent years with four wins and a draw in the last five meetings at the Shay.

The Chesterfield v Northampton result with a 2-1 win for the home side was an exact replica of the corresponding game last season and on each occasion all three goals came in the second half. **Phil Cavener** followed up his hat-trick in the previous game against Torquay by netting the 'Cobblers' goal from the penalty spot. Hereford in the midst of their third round F.A. Cup-tie against Arsenal still managed to take a welcome point from last Saturday's visit to Peterborough, thereby extending their unbeaten run to fourteen games. They actually led at half-time thanks to **Ollie Kearns** fifteenth goal of the season. This was Peterborough's fifth game without defeat and they are still in the promotion hunt. As in last season's corresponding game which also ended 1-1 they pulled back from a half-time deficit, **David Johnson** getting his first goal since moving to 'Posh'.

A club Peterborough will be hoping to catch are Darlington, who face Telford United in a battle of the giantkillers next week in the fourth round of the FA cup. Unless Hereford pull off the impossible at Highbury, Darlington will be the only fourth round participants from Division Four and they will be highly motivated to reach round five for the second time in their history. They previously reached there in 1957-58 when as members of Division Three (North) they beat Norwich and Chelsea before going down to Wolves.

Telford meanwhile are hoping ultimately to become the first non-league team to reach the last eight of the competition since the formation of Division Three in 1920. Already they have become the only non-league team since then to have reached round four in two successive seasons.

ACTION PHOTO'S

Steve Pugh powers in a shot





Gary Marshall shows his style



The Crewe keeper collects a United corner kick.







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WHAT THE PAPERS SAY

HERALD EXPRESS 14.1.85.

Torquay United's Match v Stockport postponed.

United had a frustrating trip to the North-West at the weekend, with the League fixtures at Stockport county being called off at mid-day on Saturday. 'A waste of time' was how Webb described it today.

Cumberland referee Gary Aplin spent 40 minutes on the Edgeley Park pitch before deciding that parts of the ground were unsafe.

Aplin spoke to Webb over the phone before announcing his decision. 'I said my only concern was about someone getting injured, and he agreed.' said Webb. 'It was colder on Saturday than it had been in Friday.'

United's squad was reduced before the weekend when striker Benny Laryea agreed to cancellation of his contract, following recent departees Steve Carter and Doug McClure. But the current cold weather is preventing Webb from arranging any trial matches at Plainmoor at the moment to see new faces, and scouting missions are threatened by frost-hit pitches around the rest of the country.

CANON NEWS RELEASE

'GRAND' MONTH FOR LEICESTER

Leicester reinforced their claims to be the most improved team in the First Division of the Canon League by winning the £1,000 Canon Goalscoring Award for the month of December.

Winning is perhaps an understatement. Their 18 goals averaged three a match and took them four in front of nearest rivals Manchester United.

'I suppose you can call it a grand month for us,' commented Leicester manager Gordon Milne, 'but I see it as vindication of our continuing to put the emphasis on attack and entertainment despite our disappointing start to the season'.

Oxford, 15 goals, also averaged three a match to steal the Second Division £750 from Manchester City, 14.

Derby and Rotherham both scored 13 Third Division goals, the £500 award going to the Baseball Ground because Derby reached that figure in five games against Rotherham's six.

Bury, 14 goals, winners of the Fourth Division £250 by a goal from Blackpool and Colchester, couldn't have cut it finer. Craig Madden scored their third goal against Tranmere on the last playing day of the month with less than a minute to go.

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Hereford	24	14	6	4	39	17 48
Blackpool	25	14	6	5	41	24 48
Chesterfld	24	13	8	3	41	24 47
Darlington	22	12	8	2	31	15 44
Peterboro	25	12	5	8	35	30 41
Tranmere	24	13	1	10	45	37 40
Colchester	23	10	7	6	45	39 37
Hartlepool	23	9	7	7	28	28 34
Crewe	24	10	4	10	33	36 34
Swindon	23	9	5	9	32	33 32
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TORQUAY UNITED SUPPORTERS CLUB

Our Junior Members wish to say a very special thanks to Steven Lamb, Senior Sports reporter from DevonAir, who gave them such an interesting session the other Sunday. This included various tapes of things which had gone wrong as well as information about how the programme is put together. The next Junior Meeting is on Sunday Feb 3rd at 10.30 when it hoped that our assistant manager Brian Wilson will speak.

Ball Boys for today's match are Robert Dyer, Richard Brown, Richard Backholis, Andrew Richards, Steven Cuss, Tim Reynolds. Thank you very much lads.

The three prize winners of the half-time draw for the last home game were: Matchball, Nigel Cull; Meat Prize, John Hotoni; Fruit and Veg Prize N. Fenn. Today's prizes are the usual matchball, meat and fruit and veg and tickets 10p each or 10 for 50p are available from Supporters Club Committee Members before the match.

Supporters Club Committee Members are reminded of the next meeting at 7.30 on Wednesday January 30th. At this meeting the first draw for the 2 100 Clubs will be made — we still have some space for new members. If anyone wishes to join please contact the committee or obtain forms at the Social Club.

NORMAN BRADBURY

It is with regret that we inform supporters of the death of season ticket holder Norman Bradbury. Norman who was 64 died just before Christmas. Sincere condolences to family and friends.

ETHIOPIA APPEAL

Supporter Stephen Saunders of Edgware, Middlesex, has pledged £5 to the above fund for every game United win from now until the end of the season. Anyone else prepared to do the same?

PEN PAL REQUIRED FOR AUSTRALIAN LAD

Keen Torquay United Fan (16 years old). Keep him in touch with United — Ian Everitt, 46Hinkler Crescent, Modbury Heights, South Australia, 5092.

FORMER TORQUAY UNITED STRIKER

Willie Brown is still knocking in the **goals** — but now in junior soccer. Brown who quit Western League Club Minehead earlier this season, scored in Porlock's 3-2 defeat by Priorswood in the Taunton Saturday League's first division on Saturday. The 34 year old Brown looks almost certain to finish playing completely at the end of the season and may take up refereeing.

TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIAL

Rodger Gifford — Production manager in the Textile Division of Britain's largest furniture manufacturer. Married. Commenced refereeing in 1965 progressing via South Wales Amateur and Welsh Leagues. Appointed to the FIFA and UEFA panel of referees in 1982. Interested in gardening and the coaching of young referees, also secretary of Rhymney Valley Referees Society. Cinciated in many club matches in Europe, lined the 1982 Welsh Cup Final and two European Nations cup matches in 1983.

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