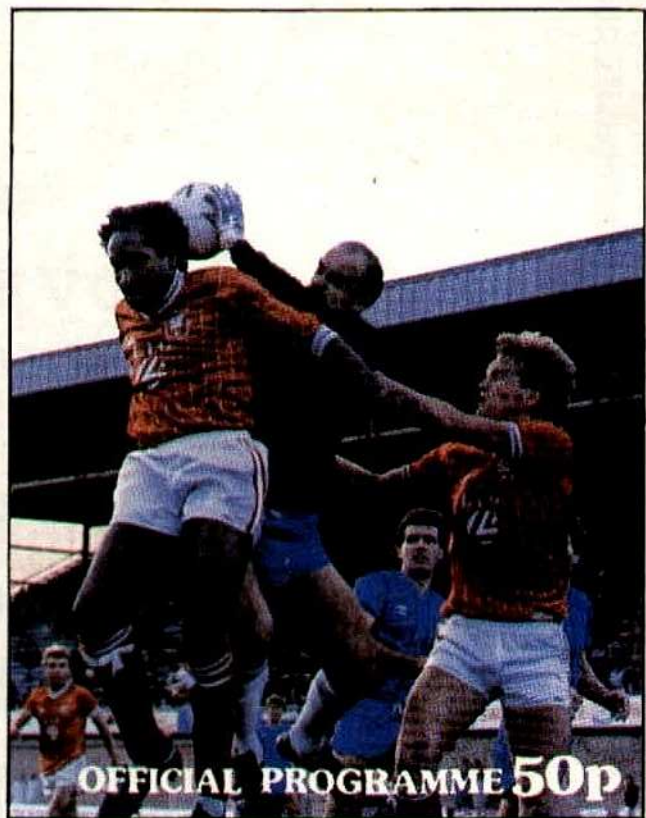


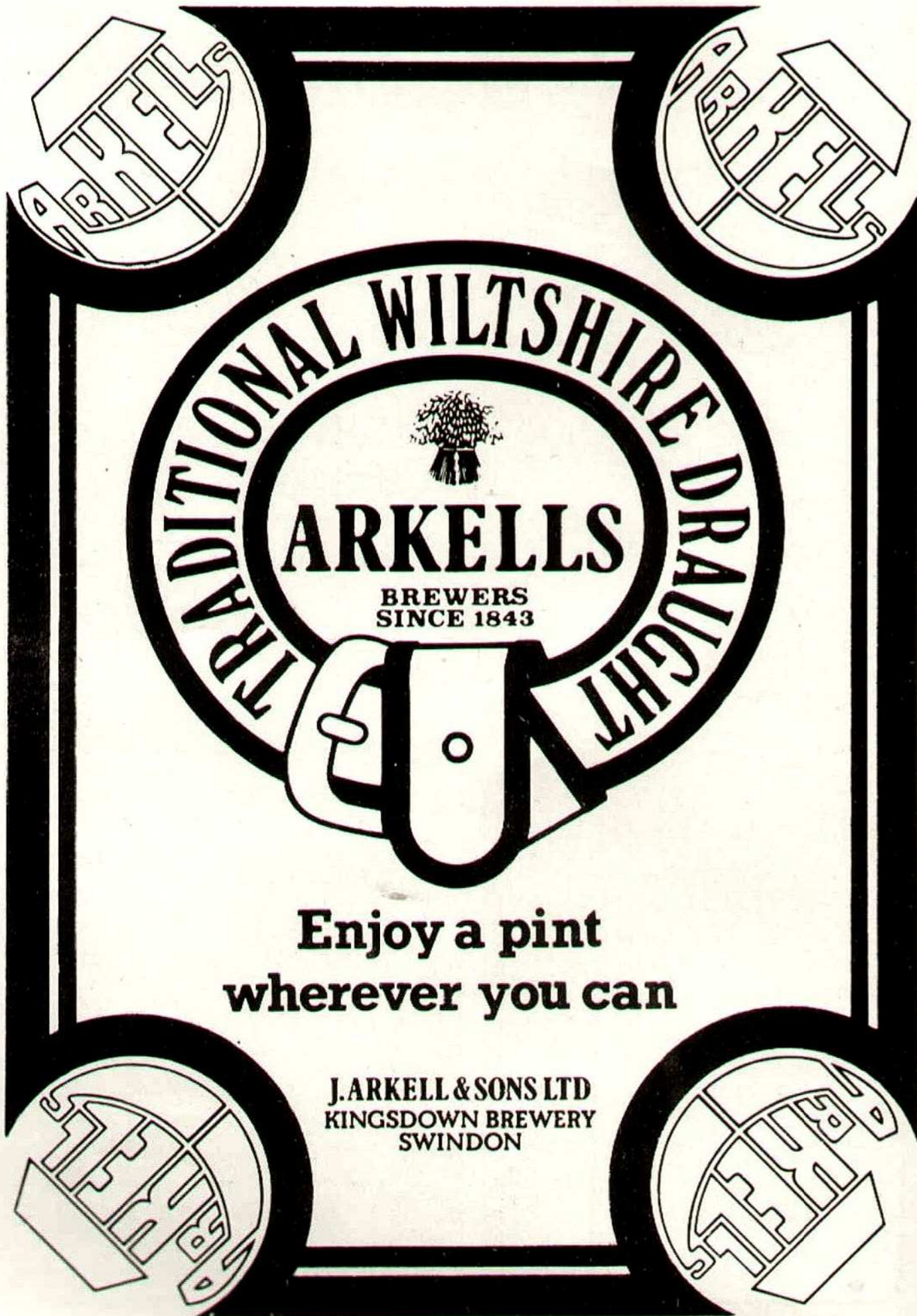
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Chairman's Chatter

Once again a New Year is upon us and while we make our own personal resolutions and wishes for 1986. I am sure that we all have the same wish in mind and that is the hope that this season may end in promotion.

The shareholders were informed when the Statement of Accounts and Annual Report

were presented, that the loss incurred during the year ending 31st May 1985, was a reduced figure of £10,447. This is a considerable reduction on the previous year when the Company suffered a loss of £114,730. I am sure you will be pleased to note the improvement that has been made.

Hopefully our recent dilemma of financial difficulty has been overcome with the co-operation of Thamesdown Council. Also from contributions and donations from the Sportsman Association, Supporters Club, Robins Football Supporters and individual companies and persons have been a tremendous help during the year.

We also owe a great debt of gratitude to our Club Sponsors LOWNDES LAMBERT for their help and generous financial support.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Directors of Swindon Town Football Club to wish all of you a Happy New Year.



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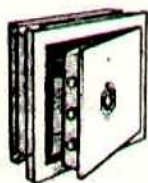
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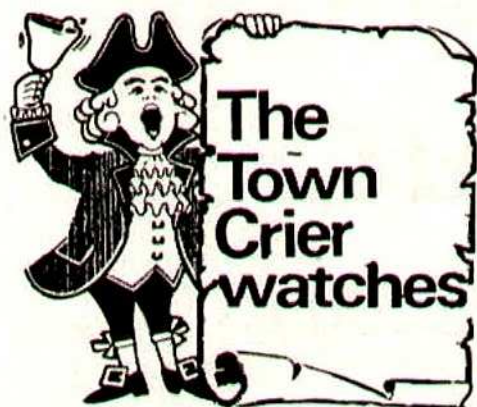


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EDITOR: How do you account for our poor goalscoring record this season?

LOU: Simply by the fact that we do not have what could be termed as a natural goalscorer. For instance Colin Gordon is not that.

EDITOR: If that is so, surely there must be other reasons.

LOU: No, there is not, if you analyse his goals of last season they were not the type a natural scores. He is not a clinical finisher. Colin needs to revert to what he does best. Enthusiasm, chasing for every ball, pressurising defenders. He needs to forget the technicalities and go back to what served him well when he first came here. Playing in an amaterish way if you know what I mean.

EDITOR: With Nicky Coleman having returned to Millwall will you sign a permanent replacement?

LOU: Yes, I hope to do so, it is much better to have a natural left footed player at full back.

EDITOR: A Blackpool fan visited the County Ground recently and was amazed to see Dave Hockaday playing in midfield. He thought he was a much more effective player when he was playing wide for Blackpool. Any comment?

LOU: Dave is more effective for us

where we play him. Without doubt he needs to play to his strengths. Strong running and being involved. He is amazingly strong with his running power and should really terrorise a lot of Fourth Division players. The Blackpool fan is entitled to his opinion, but I do not agree.

EDITOR: With such poor results in our Football Combination matches this season. Would we have been wiser to have joined the newly formed Macbar League. Surely the confidence of the players in the reserve team must be low?

LOU: It is nothing to do with the opposition. The bigger the name, the less they try. Take Graham Rix for instance, do you imagine he is waiting to come to Swindon to try that hard? No, our players have to take a look at themselves. One hundred per cent effort at anything brings it's own rewards.

EDITOR: Any predictions for Swindon Town in the New Year?

LOU: It is well within our capabilities to go up this season. We will continue to provide entertaining performances and increase our goal-scoring output.

EDITOR: Have you a New Year message for the fans?

LOU: Keep coming, without your support we will achieve nothing. Help me to drive the players to what you want, Third Division soccer. There is a long way to go yet but we can do it by all pulling together.

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By Doug Buswell

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include a directory of many businesses together with many facts and figures about the Town. My thanks to Dave King for supplying all the facts and figures. If you would like to purchase a diary please ring Swindon 42984 for details or call at the Commercial Department.

CHRISTMAS DRAW RESULTS

Due to these notes having to be written prior to our Christmas Draw we cannot print a winners list until the next match programme. A full list of draw winners will appear in the match day programme on 12th Jaunary 1986, for our match versus Southend United. All winners will have been notified.

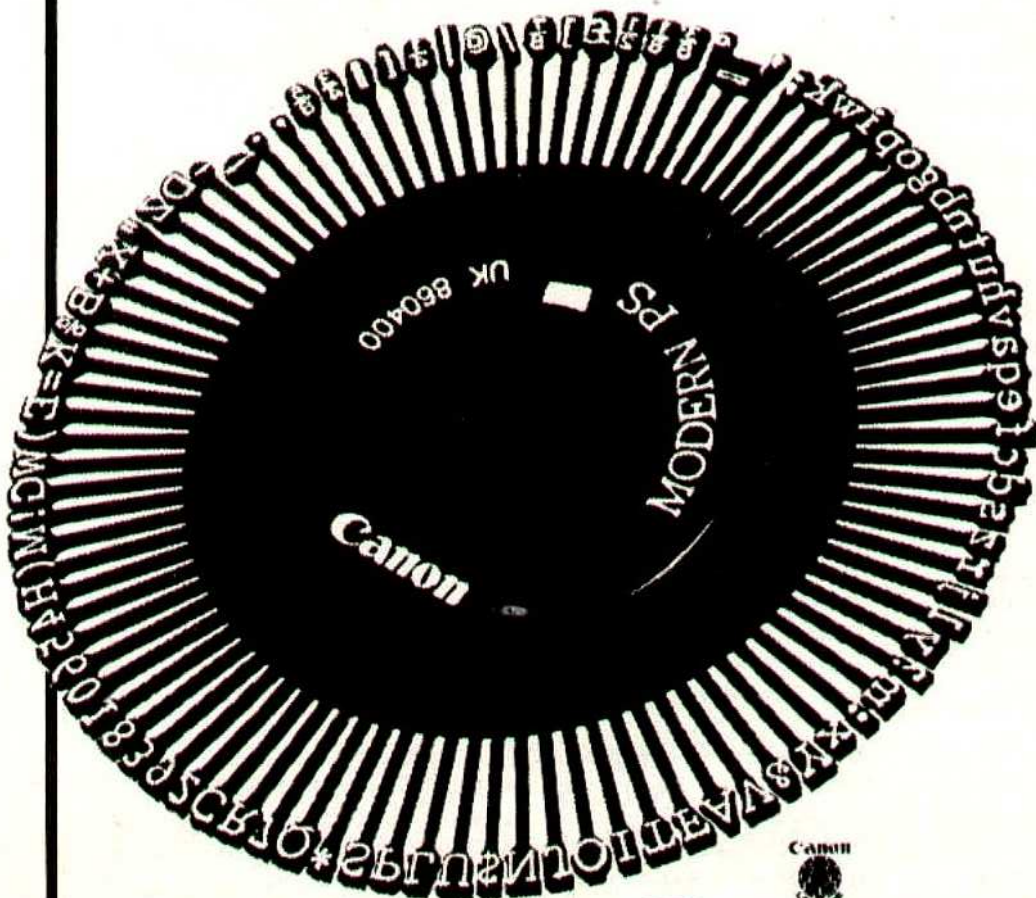


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David Cole

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BIRTHPLACE: Barnsley

BIRTHDATE: 28th

September 1962

HEIGHT: 6' 3"

WEIGHT 12st 4lbs

MARRIED: No

PREVIOUS LEAGUE

CLUBS: Sunderland,

Swansea, Crewe.

LEAGUE RECORD: (51

app/1 goal)

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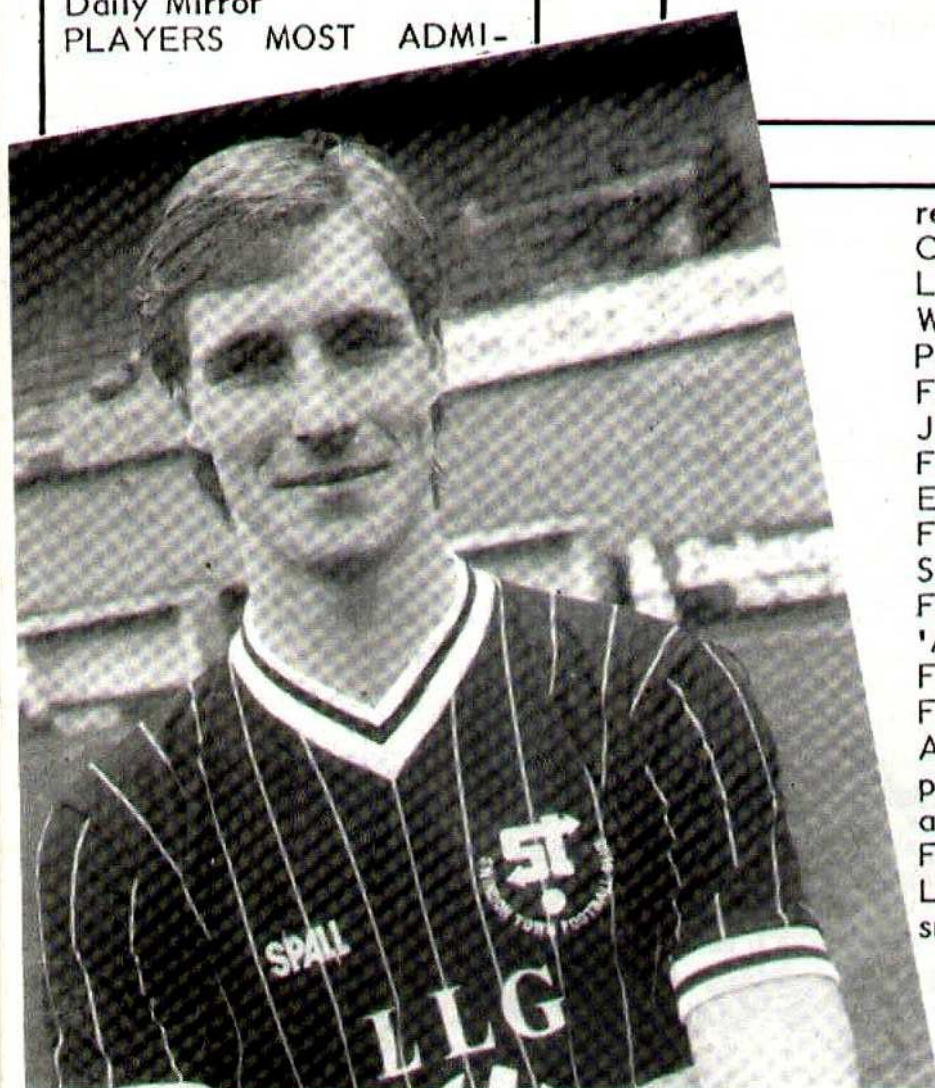
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THE TOWN CRIER

BACKTRACKS WITH MIKE SKINNER

10 Years Ago - January 1976

Three days into the New Year and Swindon entertained Isthmian Leaguers Tooting & Mitcham United in an F.A. Cup 3rd round tie. Despite the lowly League position Swindon were expected to book a 4th round place without too much trouble. And when Wilf Dixon added the Town's second in the sixth minute, Peter Eastoe having netted the first a minute earlier, it all looked to be going to plan. However the Town relaxed allowing the visitors to score twice in the last 10 minutes to force the replay. A crowd of 8,000 saw Tooting complete the job three days later, scoring all three in our 2-1 defeat.

Back to the League, the following Saturday saw the Town visit Gillingham where former apprentice Geoff Chalklin made his debut. But the 3-2 reverse did nothing to improve the last but one spot, Trevor Anderson and Frank Burrows reducing the deficit. A week later promotion contenders Port Vale paid a visit to the County Ground. 5,557 saw David Syrett grab the last minute winner in the 2-1 success, John McLaughlin claiming the earlier effort. Another two points were earned seven days later, Sheffield Wednesday losing 2-0 to the Town on their own turf thanks to Dixon and Syrett. Swindon made it three successive wins by beating Bury here the following week. 5,408 saw Kenny Stroud and McLaughlin score to give us a 2-1 victory, lifting us to 20th spot.

20 Years Ago - January 1966

New Years day saw Swindon fail to recover from a first-half goal at Gillingham to slip to twelfth place. Six days later, in a bid to strengthen the mid-field, Tommy Henderson was obtained from Bury in exchange for Gordon Atherton, and Brian Richardson bought from Sheffield United. Both made their debuts the next day, home to second placed Hull. And Henderson scored in the 3-1 victory, the others coming from Keith East and Roger Smart, watched by 15,682. On the same day the reserves suffered a 7-1 set-back at Peterborough, a

defeat that was avenged by the first team the following week. Although twice in arrears Swindon equalised on each occasion through East with Dennis Brown snatching the winner nine minutes from time to make it 3-2.

A break in the League programme came a week later when the Town played hosts to Coventry in the F.A. Cup 3rd round. 20,200 turned up hoping to see another giant killing but it wasn't to be as the Second Division promotion contenders ran off 2-1 winners in a game that Brown scored our consolation and John Trollope added to the visitors tally. Seven days later Swindon made their first competitive visit to Oxford where 16,074 saw the Town go into 4th spot with a fine 3-0 win, Henderson, Brown and Mel Nurse scoring to end the month on a winning note.

30 Years Ago - January 1956

January 7th 1956 was F.A. Cup third round day, Swindon having been drawn at home to another Midland League side, Worksop Town. The visitors had defeated Bradford City after a replay in the second round, and had then promptly lost to City's second string in a League match two days later! However, Worksops' run was ended when Bob Edwards found the back of the net in the 70th minute in front of 16,060. A week later the dismal League form was continued when Swindon visited Fellows Park. Walsall put four past Sam Burton with no reply forthcoming.

The following Saturday, though, Swindon managed to beat Torquay here. Another Edwards effort sent the teams in level at half-time, the winner coming from Dave Gibson seven minutes after the restart with 7,146 in attendance. Back to the Cup the following week-end, and Swindon made the trip to the Valley to take on Charlton. Although the Town XI produced a fine performance it was the First Division side who produced the goods in front of goal, netting twice to the Town's single effort from Edwards, 28,042 paying for the privilege.



The Town Crier looks at A Year of Upheaval

By Dave King

That was the year that was, on reflection 1985 was one of football's most traumatic. A year when big brother was elbowed aside as Everton took over from Liverpool. A year when Super Club tried to rob English football of some of its small fry. A year to say goodbye to some of the big names for various reasons - Joe Fagan, Jack Charlton, Johnny Giles and Tommy Docherty among others.

It was a year of comebacks - Wolverhampton Wanderers, a behind the scenes - Bob Paisley, Billy Bremner to Leeds and Northern Ireland.

A year when football thought it had a foe - television and found by the time Christmas came around it was really a friend.

But above all it was the year of big brother - Irving Scholar and Martin Edwards aided and abetted by Philip Carter of Everton who found that they wanted to jettison the smaller club. A year that ended with Gordon Taylor and his colleagues on the P.F.A. telling all three to take 'a running jump'. Chairman Brian Talbot telling them that whatever the size of the pay packet, we shall stick together irrespective of the size of crowd.

The giants wanted to milk the cream. The Dairy Council have had enough. Now it will become the year of Littlewoods Challenge Cup. Super Club will still play in the new Super-Cup though. Manchester United versus Venus and Liverpool against Mars is for next November's agenda.

A year when Robert Maxwell found that he no longer required Jim Smith after he had guided Oxford United into almost unbelievably - Division One. Jim nicknamed 'the bald eagle' was a leading contender for Manager of the Year after the way he had quietly picked up the pieces of his career after his sacking at

Birmingham City. He was dispatched to London to take over at Loftus Road for all his troubles. Instead of Manager of the Year he became a Manager of honour.

Howard Kendall took the former role, from facing the sack, he faced the baying masses at Goodison. King for a season and a year! Bell's Whiskey duly rewarded his efforts.

A November draw at Wembley for Northern Ireland was greeted with derision and more publicity than their meritorious away win in Rumania.

Could anyone imagine two communist bloc countries fighting tooth and nail to allow Northern Ireland to progress to Mexico at the expense of the Soviet Bloc version of 'big brother'. It was a year when the British forgot that nine matches took Billy Bingham's heroes to Mexico not a Wembley waltz.

It was a year of sadness with Jock Stein's sudden death. Football was put into true perspective that night at Ninian.

'El Tel' took Barcelona by storm and to the Spanish Championship. With 'taffy' Clough for Wales. Why not 'El Tel' for Spain?

The year saw the departure of several managers, Jack Charlton at Newcastle, Johnny Giles at West Brom. While Bob Stokoe surpassed them all by standing down at Carlisle and returning within the space of a few weeks.

As usual money continued to be a major pre-occupation with the taxman staging a 'witch hunt' against Swansea City. Winding up orders were fired into court with Wolverhampton Wanderers who came close to extinction. While the Bhatti brothers remain unseen.

The enticing prospect of England, Scotland and Northern Ireland in Mexico in '86' is a summer pleasure to look forward to. While their progress in 1985 is the best memory to cling onto.

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24	IPSWICH TOWN	HOME	Pos
27	OXFORD UNITED	HOME	2-4
SEP 3	Portsmouth	Away	1-1
7	Watford	Away	0-3
10	BRISTOL ROVERS	HOME	1-2
24	Q.P.R.	HOME	1-2
28	Bristol Rovers	Away	Pos
OCT 2	Norwich City	Away	2-3
8	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	HOME	1-3
16	Millwall	Away	2-5
26	BIRMINGHAM CITY	HOME	0-0
29	LUTON TOWN	HOME	1-5
NOV 6	Southampton	Away	Pos
9	West Ham United	Away	3-9
12	ARSENAL	HOME	2-2
19	Swansea City	Away	Pos
26	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	HOME	1-3
30	BRIGHTON	HOME	2-0
DEC 4	Southampton	Away	2-3
7	Reading	Away	Pos
10	CRYSTAL PALACE	HOME	
21	Chelsea	Away	
JAN 4	PORTSMOUTH	HOME	
8	Oxford United	Away	
21	WATFORD	HOME	
28	CHELSEA	HOME	
FEB 4	Crystal Palace	Away	
11	MILLWALL	HOME	
15	Birmingham City	Away	
18	FULHAM	HOME	
25	Q.P.R.	Away	
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15	Tottenham Hotspur	Away	
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29	Ipswich Town	Away	
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15	SWANSEA CITY	HOME	
19	Arsenal	Away	
MAY 3	Brighton	Away	

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES

DATE	OPPONENTS	VENUE	RESULT
AUG 17	Luton Town	Away	3-3
24	SOUTHAMPTON	HOME	3-2
31	Bristol Rovers	Away	1-1
SEP 7	BRIGHTON	HOME	6-1
14	BRENTFORD	HOME	3-2
21	Colchester United	Away	0-0
28	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	HOME	4-1
OCT 5	Bournemouth	Away	4-1
12	WIMBLEDON	HOME	2-0
19	Tottenham Hotspur	Away	4-2
NOV 2	SOUTHEND	HOME	2-1
9	Reading	Away	4-1
16	SOUTHAMPTON (CUP)	HOME	2-3
23	OXFORD UNITED	HOME	5-0
30	LUTON TOWN	HOME	4-6
DEC 7	Crystal Palace	Away	
14	BRISTOL ROVERS	HOME	
21	Brighton	Away	
JAN 4	Brentford	Away	
11	COLCHESTER UNITED	HOME	
18	BOURNEMOUTH	HOME	
25	Wimbledon	Away	
FEB 1	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	HOME	
8	Southampton	Away	
15	Southend United	Away	
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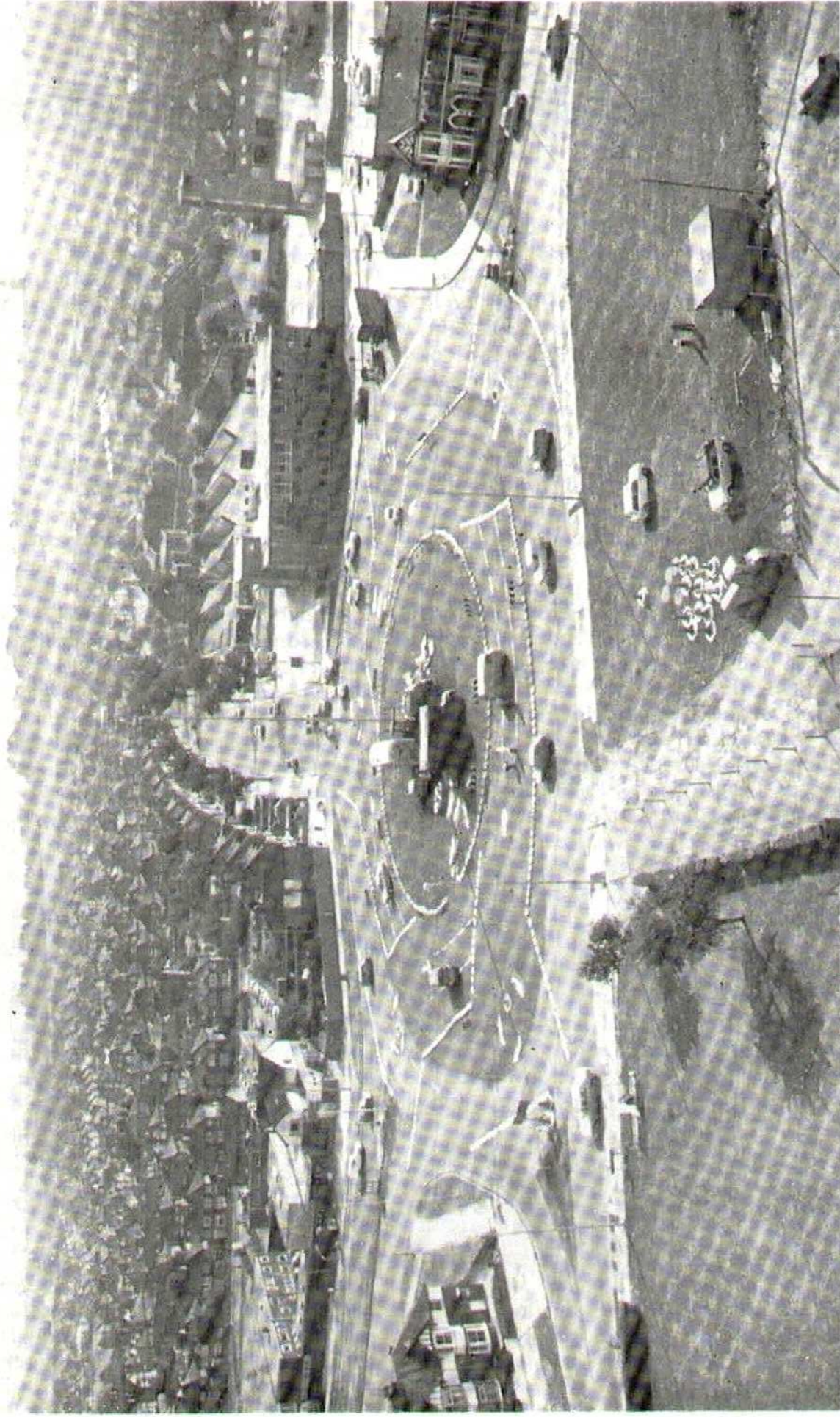
F.A. YOUTH CUP

Nov 11	Swansea City	Away	1-1
18	SWANSEA CITY	HOME	4-1
27	SOUTHEND UNITED	HOME	2-2
DEC 5	Southend United	Away	1-2

MIDLAND YOUTH CUP

OCT 28	West Brom Albion	Away	1-0
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The Town Crier sees Colchester

The Layer Road Club have been disappointing their supporters of late. After appearing to be strong challengers for Fourth Division supremacy, they have fallen from grace of late. The Essex Club rely so much on the goalscoring talent of striker Tony Adcock that his absence is often the root cause of Colchester United's loss of form.

In nine League matches since the beginning of October until their away match at Hartlepool on December 14th, they had only a single win at Southend United to show for their efforts.

Due to the holiday period, it is impossible to comment on their Christmas fixtures at home to League leaders Chester City and away to Aldershot. Don't be surprised if the Layer Road Club have recovered some of their lost composure during the holiday period.

Colchester United Manager Cyril Lea and his assistant Stewart Houston were interested observers at our 6-1 defeat against Ipswich Town in the Milk Cup in November of last year at Portman Road.

Included in the Layer Road squad for today's match will be the following players:-

Former Ipswich Town apprentice ALEC CHAMBERLAIN (21) joined United on a free transfer in 1983. In his two seasons at Layer Road, Alec has been ever present. The Ely born, goalkeeper, has now taken his League appearances for United past one hundred.

Twenty-one-year-old RUDI HEDMAN made his League debut for the Layer Road Club at Bury in a 1-1 draw on March 3rd 1984. Last season saw Rudi establish a regular place in United's line-up making 30 League appearances. During which he scored his first League goal in a 4-1 win against Northampton Town on February 1st 1985. Rudi was on the mark in scoring United's fourth goal in their 4-0 win against Aldershot at Layer Road on August

26th.

Colchester born, ANDY FARRELL (20) joined his home town club as an apprentice. He made his fiftieth League appearance for the Club in a 1-1 draw with Torquay United at Plainmoor on April 16th 1985. Andy has yet to score his first League goal.

The away match at Blackpool last season was the only League match that twenty-three-year-old KEITH DAY missed. As he took his total of League appearances to forty-five, for the Layer Road Club since he joined Colchester from non-League Club Aveley in 1983.

Player-Coach STEWART HOUSTON was a former Old Trafford colleague of Lou Macari's when they were both with Manchester United. The thirty-six-year-old defender has appeared for the following League Clubs after entering the Football League from Port Glasgow Juniors in 1967 - Chelsea (14), Brentford (82/9 goals), Manchester United (244/16 goals) and Sheffield United (112/1). Stewart who represented Scotland in one International against Denmark in 1976 is now approaching 100 appearances for Colchester from which he has scored eight goals.

Twenty-year-old PERRY GROVES put his tremendous pace and acceleration to good use in October. When he scored a hat trick in United's 4-2 away win at Southend United. With six goals this season the former Layer Road apprentice has taken his total to 24 for the Club from over 130 appearances.

NOEL PARKINSON (26) failed to make the Ipswich Town League team after joining the Portman Road Club as an apprentice. He actually made his League debut on loan to Bristol Rovers! Noel was eventually transferred to Mansfield Town for a fee of £35,000 in 1980 after spending a loan period with Brentford. He joined Colchester in the summer of 1984 from

United arrive in town



Scunthorpe United on a free transfer. Making 44 League appearances in his first season with the Essex Club.

The prolific goalscoring talents of striker TONY ADCOCK (22) must take him into the higher divisions of the Football League eventually. With ninety three goals for United, previous to the holiday period. He has little left to prove to the bigger clubs. Inevitably Tony is again United's leading goalscorer this season. His League appearances and goals each season since he joined the Layer Road Club as an apprentice read:- 1980-81 (1-0), 1981-82 (40-5), 1982-83 (30-17), 1983-84 (43-26), 1984-85 (28-24). Prior to United's match with Wrexham on December 14th, Tony had scored ten goals this season.

Luton born, TONY ENGLISH (19) made twenty-two appearances for Colchester last season after being released by Coventry City after serving an apprenticeship with the Highfield Road Club. Town fans will recall that Tony scored United's second half equaliser in our

1-1 draw at Layer Road last May after Chris Ramsey had given the Town an interval lead following his first League goal.

Twenty-two-year-old former Craven Cottage apprentice JOHN REEVES had made seventeen appearances for Fulham before he joined Colchester United on a free transfer last summer.

With the injured KEITH BOWEN out of action, Colchester have been relying on former Ipswich Town, Grimsby Town and Southend United striker TREVOR WHYMARK to fill the gap in recent matches. The thirty-five-year-old striker has made the following League appearances for his three League clubs:- Ipswich Town (260-74 goals), Derby County - loan (2-0), Grimsby town (93-16), Southend United (38-5).

Goalscorers in League and Cup matches upto December 14th:- Tony Adcock 10, Keith Bowen 8, Perry Groves 6, Keith Day and Noel Parkinson 3 each, Tony English and John Reeves 2 each, Rudi Hedman and Roger Osborne one each.



BACK ROW: Paul Keaney, Keith Bowen, Alec Chamberlain, Keith Day, Tony English, Rudi Hedman, Andy Farrell, Tony Polito.

THIRD ROW: Kirk Game, Tony Adcock, Simon Burman, Perry Groves, Jeff Hull, Sean Norman, Brian Sawyer, John Reeves.

SECOND ROW: Russell Irving, Roger Osborne, Mike Walker (Coach), Stewart Houston, Cyril Lea (Manager), Ian Phillips, Noel Parkinson.

FRONT ROW: Scott Young, Mark Radford, Steve Turney, Andy Springett.

SWINDON TOWN DEBUTS

Below are the debuts that players who are on the club playing staff at present or in the recent past have made for Swindon Town.

NAME	OPPONENTS	VENUE	COMPETITION	DATE
Kenny Allen	v Crewe Alexandra	(A)	DIV 4	September 17th 1985
David Bamber	v Mansfield Town	(H)	DIV 4	November 23rd 1985
Leigh Barnard	v Port Vale	(H)	DIV 4	August 28th 1982
Colin Calderwood	v Wrexham	(H)	DIV 4	August 17th 1985
David Cole	v Blackpool	(A)	DIV 4	February 19th 1985
Nicky Coleman	v Exeter City	(H)	DIV 4	October 1st 1985
Peter Coyne	v Wrexham	(H)	DIV 4	August 25th 1984
Scott Endersby	v Crewe	(A)	DIV 4	October 8th 1983
Tony Evans	v Wrexham	(H)	DIV 4	August 17th 1985
Jake Findlay	v Wrexham	(H)	DIV 4	August 17th 1985
Mark Gardiner	v Mansfield Town	(H)	DIV 4	April 28th 1984
Colin Gordon	v Rochdale	(A)	DIV 4	November 3rd 1984
Derek Hall	v Wrexham	(H)	DIV 4	August 17th 1985
Charlie Henry	v Reading	(A)	DIV 3	August 30th 1980
Dave Hockaday	v Chesterfield	(A)	DIV 4	August 27th 1983
Mark Hughes	v Northampton Town	(H)	DIV 4	March 6th 1984
Chris Kamara	v Sheffield Wednesday	(H)	DIV 3	August 20th 1977
Richard Key	v Sheffield Wednesday	(H)	MILK CUP	October 29th 1985
Lou Macari	v Wrexham	(H)	DIV 4	August 25th 1984
David Moss	v Hull City	(H)	DIV 2	January 22nd 1972
Mark Payne	v Torquay United	(H)	DIV 4	September 8th 1984
Chris Ramsey	v Hartlepool United	(A)	DIV 4	September 1st 1984
Paul Roberts	v Sunderland	(A)	MILK CUP	September 25th 1985
Andy Rowland	v Blackpool	(H)	DIV 3	September 23rd 1978
Bryan Wade	v Peterborough United	(A)	DIV 4	September 14th 1985



THE TOWN CRIER WITH JUNIOR ROBINS

Holiday crowds are usually bigger than average, so it may be that today is the first time you have been to the County Ground for some time. If so you may not know about the Junior Robins scheme which enables children under 13 to stand seat for League matches for just 50 pence. Full details of membership are available from the Club Office. Membership only costs a pound so even if you are only an occasional visitor it is still worth taking advantage of. The Club also offers attractive reductions on family seats so why not enquire about these as well.

Final numbers must be known by 21st February.

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A - Z of all Swindon Town players who have played for the club in Football League matches since 1945. (Included are total appearances to November 30th).

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Ray PAGE	(32- 0)
Eddie PAINTER	(77- 0)
Willie PARKER	(10- 0)
Richard PARKHOUSE	(1- 0)
George PATERSON	(53- 5)
Mark PAYNE	(3- 0)
David PEACH	(53- 2)
Dennis PEAPELL	(2- 0)
Robert PEART	(12- 5)
Richard PEEBLES	(13- 1)
Gordon PEMBURY	(37- 2)
Willie PENMAN	(100- 17)
Steve PELOW	(40- 11)
Paul PETERSON	(1- 0)
Chris PORTER	(36- 4)
Ron POTTER	(86- 0)
Jack PREECE	(7- 0)
Colin PROPHETT	(160- 10)
Ralph PROUTON	(13- 0)
Howard PRITCHARD	(65- 11)

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Jimmy QUINN	(49- 10)
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Arthur RADFORD	(15- 0)
Chris RAMSEY	(52- 1)
Jamie REYNOLDS	(1- 0)
John RICHARD	(104- 37)
Brian RICHARDSON	(11- 0)
Paul RICHARDSON	(7- 0)
Paul RIDEOUT	(95- 38)
Cyril RISEBOROUGH	(26- 1)
Kevin ROBERTS	(1- 0)
Paul ROBERTS	(8- 0)
Don ROGERS	(412-150)
Andy ROLLINGS	(12- 1)
Bill ROOST	(18- 3)
Andy ROWLAND	(285- 80)
Terry RYDER	(34- 13)

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Ray SAMPSON	(64- 10)
Ron SAUNDERS	(1- 0)
Bob SHANKS	(1- 0)
Wilf SHERGOLD	(37- 0)
Jow SIMMER	(30- 12)
Ken Sheen	(13- 4)
John Skull	(33- 11)
Roger SMART	(349- 43)
Jack SMITH	(97- 37)
John SMITH	(84- 9)
Franco SPERTI	(1- 0)
Alan SPROATES	(3- 0)
*Alf STEPHENS	(16- 2)
John STEPHENS	(47- 25)
*Bill STEPHENS	(18- 2)
John STEVENS	(22- 10)
Mark STEVENS	(1- 0)
Jim STEWART	(1- 0)
Ken STROUD	(311- 16)
Mike SUMMERBEE	(218- 39)
Dave SYRETT	(122- 30)

*Alf and Bill were twin brothers.

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Gerry TAYLOR	(19- 0)
Tony TAYLOR	(26- 0)
Bill TEAGUE	(3- 0)
John TEMPLEMAN	(21- 0)
Pat TERRY	(61- 23)
John THOMAS	(16- 3)
Rod THOMAS	(295- 5)
Fred THOMAS	(21- 1)
Rex TILLEY	(31- 0)
Reg TRIM	(15- 0)
Ray TREACY	(55- 16)
John TROLLOPE	(770- 22)
Bill TUCKER	(34- 3)
Chris TURNER	(3- 0)
Mike TURNER	(14- 0)

A to Z of Town Players who

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Norman UPRICHARD (73- 0)

W

Bryan WADE (12- 4)
 Bruce WALKER (29- 1)
 Paul WALKER (5- 0)
 Roy WALSH (7- 0)
 Eric WEAVER (55- 6)
 Alf WHEELER (23- 4)
 Alex WHITE (35- 0)
 Charlie WHITESIDE (1- 0)

Brian WILLIAMS (97- 8)
 Gary WILLIAMS (38- 3)
 Gordon WILLIAMS (127- 13)
 Henry WILLIAMS (16- 7)
 Stuart WILLIAMSON (17- 0)
 Bob WOODRUFF (180- 19)
 *Robert WOODRUFF (2- 0)
 Mike WOOLFORD (3- 0)
 Terry WOLLEN (84- 0)
 *Robert is the son of Bob Woodruff.

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Albert YOUNG (123- 1)

Promotion?

Since the innovation of three points for a win which was introduced by the Football League for the 1981-82 season. These are the Clubs concerned, their defeats and points.

1981-82

Sheffield United - 4 - 96
 Bradford City - 7 - 91
 Wigan Athletic - 7 - 91
 Bournemouth - 4 - 88

1982-83

Wimbledon - 6 - 98
 Hull City - 6 - 90
 Port Vale - 10 - 88
 Scunthorpe United - 9 - 83

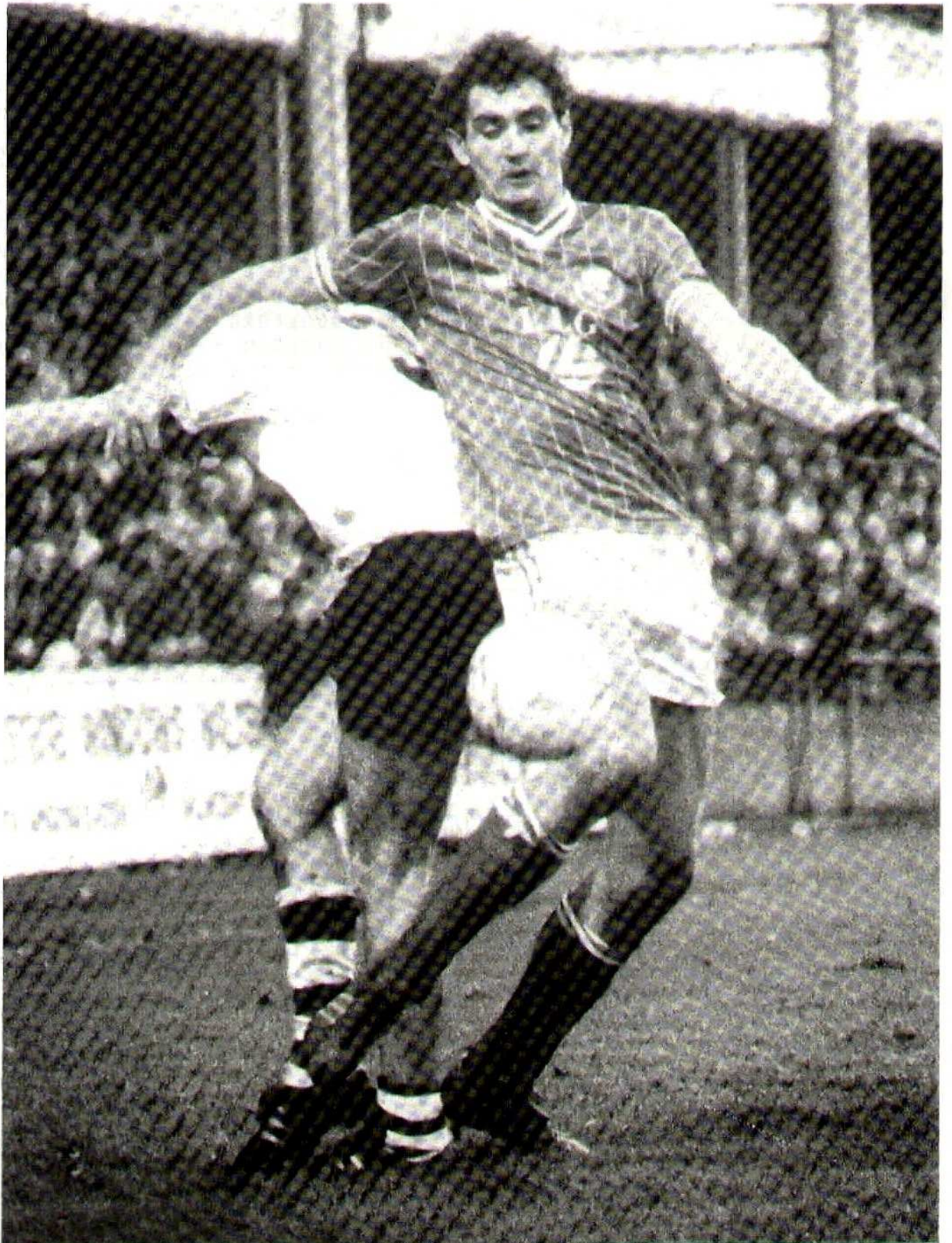
1983-84

York City - 7 - 101
 Doncaster Rovers - 9 - 85
 Reading - 8 - 82
 Bristol City - 12 - 82

1984-85

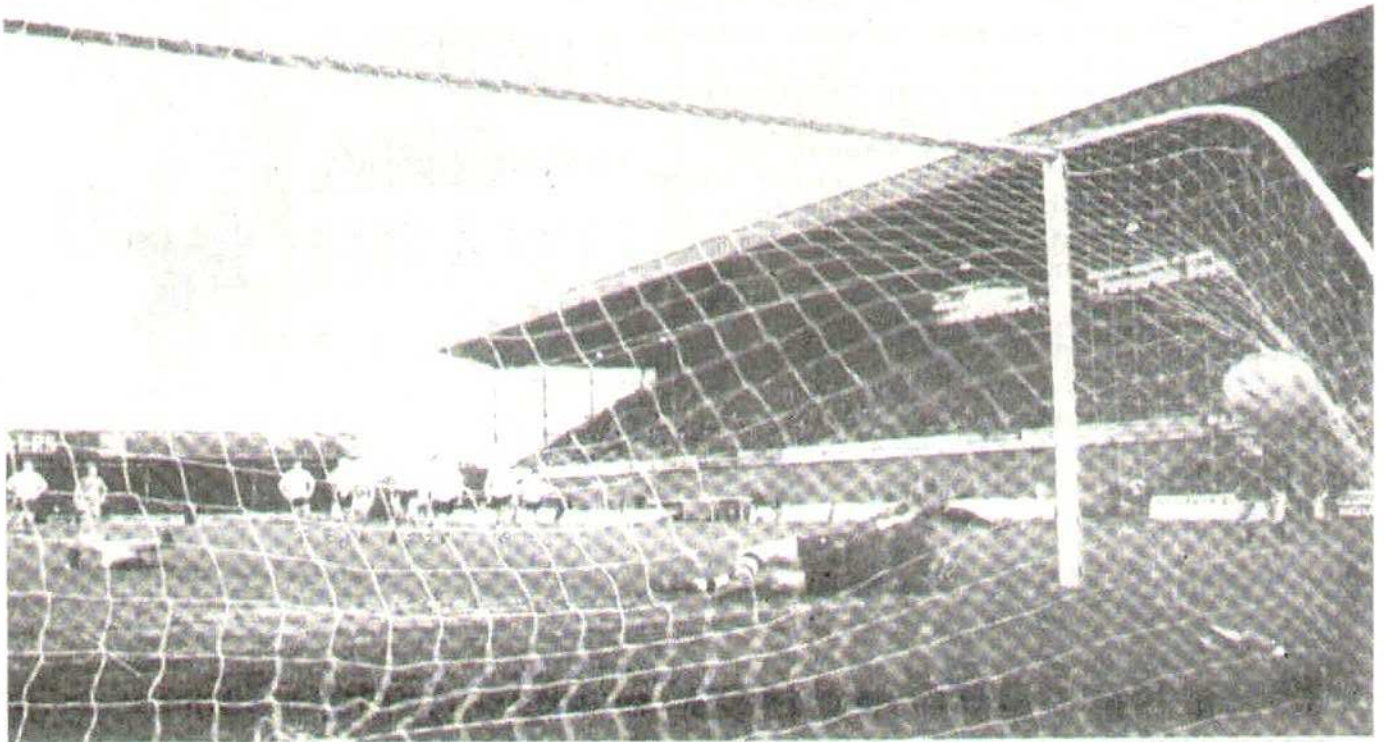
Chesterfield - 7 - 91
 Blackpool - 8 - 86
 Darlington - 9 - 85
 Bury - 10 - 84

Action Replay



Goal maker Dave Bamber in action against Preston.

Action Replay



Nick Coleman scores from the spot during last week's victory over Preston.



Colin Gordon going for goal against Preston.

Outlook on Lou

With 1985 now behind us it is an appropriate stage to take a look at Lou Macari's managerial record with Swindon Town.

The former Scotland and Manchester United star took over the managerial reins here at the County Ground in July 1984. With the Club pushing hard for promotion this season. These are the overall statistics to give you a pointer on his progress.

OVERALL RECORD IN FOURTH DIVISION MATCHES

GOALS									
P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	POS		
66	33	10	23	89	80	109	198		

AT THE COUNTY GROUND

P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	POS
33	25	4	4	63	29	79	99

AWAY MATCHES

P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	POS
33	8	6	19	26	51	30	99

MILK CUP RECORD

P	W	D	L	F	A
8	4	1	3	13	18

F.A. CUP RECORD

P	W	D	L	F	A
4	0	2	2	3	6

These statistics include the home win against Preston on December 7th. But not the subsequent matches with Halifax Town and Hereford United at the County Ground or the holiday fixtures at Aldershot and Torquay United.

In off the Post

Dear Sir,

For many years now I have been interested in the English soccer and I am a great fan of Swindon Town F.C. I also collect original badges/but only enamelled ones/of English Clubs. I haven't got an enamelled badge of my Club yet, because it is very hard to get.

I know that the enamelled badges do cost you money and postage is expensive, but you make me very happy if you could send me one enamelled badge of your club to add to my collection. Has the Supporters Club it's own enamelled badge?

I have been looking for an enamelled badge of Swindon Town for ages without any visible success. It would be a great credit to my collection.

I am sending you all the best wishes in your personal life and in your professional life.

Best wishes to all your family and to all your friends.

Yours sincerely,

Miranda Muzyk

Miss Miranda Muzyk
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Poland



Can you get for me the official programme from the match of Swindon Town versus Stockport County or versus Mansfield Town (in exchange for it I am sending you another one from the match of Hereford United vs Swindon Town).

P.S. If you could send me badge, please secure it alright because the contents of letters is usually stolen or damaged in this country.

Yours

Miranda



CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our congratulations to one of our former players...Chris Turner...Who last month was appointed as Manager of Cambridge United...Another of his former clubs...Chris spent a brief spell here at the County Ground...When Bob Smith was our Manager...In 1980 making three appearances for the Town...All as a substitute against Oxford United (away) on October 1st in a goal-less draw when he substituted for Ian Miller...Chester (home) on October 4th in a 2-1 defeat on this occasion substituting for Glen Cockerill...His third and final appearance came on...October 21st against Charlton Athletic (home) in a 3-0 defeat...Again Chris entered the field of play in place of Glen Cockerill...His total appearances in League and Cup matches for his four League Clubs were as follows:- Peterborough United (362 app 43 goals)...Luton Town (39/-)...Swindon Town (3)...Cambridge United (87/4)...When he was transferred to Luton Town from Peterborough United a fee of £100,000 was involved...Chris left Luton Town for New England Teamen for £9,000...He returned to the Football League with Cambridge United for a brief spell of 22 appearances...He left Abbey Stadium on a free transfer for a second spell with New England Teamen...Before arriving at the County Ground on a free transfer...The briefest of spells...Saw Chris rejoin Cambridge United for a second spell where he made 68 appearances for the Abbey Stadium...He now rejoins United for a third occasion to replace former Cambridge Boss Ken Shellito.

STAYING ON?.....

Scott Endersby who has now almost completed his second months loan with Carlisle United...Will be wondering in the next few days where his future lies...Will the Cumbrian Club want to add him to their staff?...Or will they be hoping that former Newcastle United 'keeper' Kevin Carr recovers form and fitness?

HELP!.....

Could anyone assist...Mr. John Billington of 10, Chesterholm, Sandsfield Park, Carlisle, Cumbria. CA2 7XH who requires...a programme of the John Trollope and Roger Smart Testimonial match played on March 30th 1971...If you can...Would you please write to him at the above address.

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH?.....

Are celebrated by...Derek Hall on Saturday (21)...Tony Evans on the 11th (32)...Kenny Allen one day later (34)...Colin Gordon on the 17th (23)...And Colin Calderwood three days later on the 20th (21).

REMEMBER?.....

Dagenham Manager Ken Knighton who masterminded the Gola League Club's F.A. Cup success at the County Ground last season has quit Dagenham...Due to business commitments resulting in a move to Bristol.

SUNNY!.....

Jake Findlay who left the Club earlier this season was reported to be training with Third Division Bournemouth...Although it is believed that it was only to keep in trim.

ODD TALE!.....

Did you hear the odd tale of how Mike Hooper, Liverpool's new no. 2 goalkeeper, learned that Kenny Dalglish wanted to buy him...Mike was walking off the pitch after the North Wales Club had been thrashed 6-0 at Aldershot...Dixie McNeil...The Wrexham Manager stopped him, saying...'You know what I am going to tell you don't you?'...'I should have stopped the third'. came Mikes reply...'No'...said Dixie...'Liverpool want to sign you'...And they did...For £40,000.



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FACTS AND FIGURES WITH THE TOWN CRIER

DATE	OPPONENTS	VENUE	RESULT	GOALSCORER	ATTENDANCE
SAT AUG 17	WREXHAM	H	0-1		4,195
TUE AUG 20	Torquay Utd (Milk Cup 1)	A	2-1	Moss, Hockaday	1,266
SAT AUG 24	Hereford Utd	A	1-4	Calderwood	4,049
MON AUG 26	TORQUAY UTD	H	2-1	Coyne, Henry	3,378
FRI AUG 30	Southend Utd	A	0-0		4,037
TUE SEP 3	TORQUAY UTD (Milk Cup 1)	H	2-2	Coyne, Pugh OG	2,846
FRI SEP 6	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H	3-2	Coyne 3(2 Pens)	3,879
SAT SEP 14	Peterborough Utd	A	0-3		2,946
TUE SEP 17	Crewe Alexandra	A	0-2		1,699
TUE SEP 24	Sunderland (Milk Cup 2)	A	3-2	Rowland, Coyne Pen	14,204
SAT SEP 21	PRESTON NORTH END	H	Postponed		
SAT SEP 28	Hartlepool Utd	A	0-1		2,727
TUE OCT 1	EXETER CITY	H	2-1	Gordon, Calderwood	3,118
SAT OCT 5	ROCHDALE	H	4-0	Coyne, Cole, Wade, Hockaday	3,086
TUE OCT 8	Sunderland (Milk Cup 2)	H	3-1	Rowland, Wade 2	9,111
SAT OCT 12	Burnley	A	2-0	Gordon, Coyne	2,927
SAT OCT 19	Chester City	A	1-0	Gordon	3,109
TUE OCT 22	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H	1-0	Coyne	7,172
SAT OCT 26	Port Vale	A	0-3		5,073
TUE OCT 29	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (Milk Cup 3)	H	1-0	Coyne	12,110
SAT NOV 2	TRANMERE ROVERS	H	2-1	Barnard, Wade	4,358
WED NOV 6	CAMBRIDGE UTD	H	1-0	Henry	5,489
SAT NOV 9	Scunthorpe Utd	A	2-0	Henry, Wade	1,902
SUN NOV 17	BRISTOL CITY (F.A. Cup 1)	H	0-0		10,468
WED NOV 20	Bristol City (F.A. Cup 1 Replay)	A	2-4	Ramsey, Barnard	8,979
SAT NOV 23	MANSFIELD TOWN	H	2-1	Coleman Pen, Wade	4,784
TUE NOV 26	Ipswich Town (Milk Cup 4)	A	1-6	Yallop O.G.	12,083
SAT NOV 30	Orient	A	0-1		3,120
SAT DEC 7	PRESTON NORTH END	H	4-1	Henry 3, Coleman Pen	3,945
SAT DEC 14	HALIFAX TOWN	H	3-2	Coleman 2 Pens, Henry	4,518
SUN DEC 22	HEREFORD UTD	H			
THU DEC 26	Aldershot	A			
SAT DEC 28	Torquay Utd	A			
WED JAN 1	COLCHESTER UTD	H			
SAT JAN 4	Tranmere Rovers	A			
SUN JAN 12	SOUTHEND UTD	H			
SAT JAN 18	Wrexham	A			
SAT JAN 25	PETERBOROUGH UTD	H			
SAT FEB 1	Northampton Town	A			
MON FEB 3	Stockport County	A			
SAT FEB 8	CHESTER CITY	H			
SAT FEB 15	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H			
SAT FEB 22	Preston North End	A			
SUN MAR 2	HARTLEPOOL UTD	H			
WED MAR 5	Exeter City	A			
SAT MAR 8	Rochdale	A			
SAT MAR 15	BURNLEY	H			
SUN MAR 23	PORT VALE	H			
FRI MAR 28	Colchester Utd	A			
MON MAR 31	ALDERSHOT	H			
SAT APR 5	Cambridge Utd	A			
SAT APR 12	SCUNTHORPE UTD	H			
SAT APR 19	Mansfield Town	A			
SUN APR 27	ORIENT	H			
FRI MAY 2	Halifax Town	A			



Although we had two players who celebrated birthdays on Christmas Day - Mark Gardiner and Chris Kamara. We do not have any member of the playing staff with a birthday today - New Years Day.

The nearest celebration to that significant date will be made by former Coventry City and Torquay United midfield player - Derek Hall.

Derek reaches his twenty-first birthday on Saturday. A special day for the Manchester born player who will be hoping to regain a First Team position in the second half of this season.

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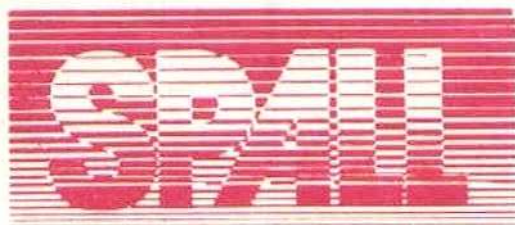


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Generally Speaking ~

it was news at the time

Our visit to Devon on the last Saturday of 1985 to meet Torquay United always revokes memories of the Plainmoor Club providing the initial opposition on our way to Wembley in 1969. What were the news items surrounding Swindon Town that season?

When Torquay United visited the County Ground seventeen years ago to become our first victims in a run upto the Wembley Final of March 15th 1969, the following items of news were gleaned along the route:-

'...Prices of tickets at the County Ground that year were:- Stands: 7s 6d, 8s 6d and 9s 6d. Ground: 5s. Enclosure: 6s...The Third Division promotion race on the Saturday evening October 26th four days prior to our visit to Derby County for the Fifth Round tie in the League Cup tie stood like this:- SWINDON played 14 - Points 21, Luton 15/20, Bournemouth 15/20, Barrow 15/20, Watford 15/20...Oldham Athletic have the largest capacity in Division Three 41,200 but when it comes to seating they are left far behind by SWINDON who offer 12.28 per cent of a capacity 28,500 crowd compared to Oldham's 5.83 figure...In conjunction with Pontin's the South East London Mercury is organising a national long throw championship with a free holiday for two at stake for the top muscle man! Names are rolling in...Players like Bobby Woodruff, Crystal Palace and once of Swindon Town who has a best throw of over 38 yards...Defending Champion Woodruff is determined to hold on to his title, as we found when we met him putting in a spell of practice at Selhurst Park recently. 'There has always been arguments about who has the longest throw in the game, so I welcome this chance to settle it'. Bobby told us. He added the warning, 'I'm in good form, so the others had better watch out'....Are Swindon the first Club to celebrate a Wembley appearance in fish and chips? The late extra time finish to their Semi Final win over Burnley led to a restaurant

cancellation, and Assistant Secretary Bob Jefferies arranged a Police escort to a chip shop. Secretary Ron Morse beat that: He fell asleep and missed the match film on T.V....The secret weapon behind Swindon Town's drive to a first-ever Wembley appearance is a sprightly, grey haired woman who maintains that good food is vital in the making of a good footballer...Few people around the County Ground would argue with that. They reckon Mrs. Lucy Whiteland is the best soccer 'mum' in the business. In charge of the Club's Hostel for the past two years, Lucy cooks, washes, sweeps, darns and sews for four Town players, plus Manager Danny Williams...Mrs. Whiteland is also Danny's mother-in-law, which only goes to show how out-dated those old music hall jokes are...Say's skipper Stan Harland, who commutes to his Liverpool home only at weekends, 'It's just like being at home, we are looked after so well. And I'm one who hates digs usually'....When it comes to cooking Mrs. Whiteland is a firm believer in good down to earth food... 'Plenty of steaks and stews are essential. They provide nourishment needed after a hard days training'. She insists...An aggregate gate of 233,220 people watched the Town on the way to Wembley in 1968/69...While 228,690 watched final opponents Arsenal...Goalscorers in the League Cup for Swindon that season were Rogers 7, Smart 5, Noble 4, Smith 3, Harland 1, Penman 1, Opponents 2...Total goals 20 for - 12 against...How many players connected with that fabulous Final of success are still connected with football? John Trollope is Assistant Manager at the County Ground...Frank Burrows is Reserve Team Coach at Sunderland...Frank McLintock is Manager of Brentford...Bobby Gould is manager at Bristol Rovers...'

Pure nostalgia but for those who watched the Club that season it will never be forgotten.



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The Don Rogers Sunday Team are looking for Fixtures.

The Team assembled is of former Swindon Town players and local personalities.

They are willing to travel anywhere within a radius of 30 miles to raise money for Charity.

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TODAYS TEAMS

Swindon Town

Colchester United

	KENNY ALLEN	1	ALEC CHAMBERLAIN	
	CHRIS RAMSEY	2	RUDI HEDMAN	
	CHARLIE HENRY	3	ANDY FARRELL	
	LEIGH BARNARD	4	JOHN REEVES	
	DAVID COLE	5	KEITH DAY	
	COLIN CALDERWOOD	6	STEWART HOUSTON	
	DAVID BAMBER	7	PERRY GROVES	
	CHRIS KAMARA	8	NOEL PARKINSON	
	COLIN GORDON	9	TREVOR WHYMARK	
	BRYAN WADE	10	TONY ADCOCK	
	DAVE HOCKADAY	11	TONY ENGLISH	
	PAUL ROBERTS	12		
CHANGES				CHANGES

REFEREE



Mr. Ray Lewis

Linesmen



Red Flag
Mr. B.L. Baker
Yellow Flag
Mr. B.P. Bishop

MATCHDAY MASCOT IS
Sue Abbott of Charter Road, Chippenham.



Canon League Half-time Results

- A - Arsenal v Tottenham Hotspur
- B - Aston Villa v Manchester City
- C - Ipswich Town v Watford
- D - Liverpool v Sheffield Wednesday
- E - Manchester Utd v Birmingham City
- F - Newcastle Utd v Everton
- G - Q.P.R. v Oxford Utd
- H - West Ham v Chelsea
- I - Charlton Ath v Millwall
- J - Fulham v Norwich City
- K - Sheffield Utd v Carlisle Utd
- L - Wimbledon v Portsmouth
- M - Newport County v Derby County
- N - Plymouth Argyle v Cardiff City
- O - Reading v Gillingham
- P - Walsall v York City
- Q - Chester City v Port Vale
- R - Hereford Utd v Exeter City
- S - Peterborough Utd v Southend Utd
- T - Preston N.E. v Mansfield Town