

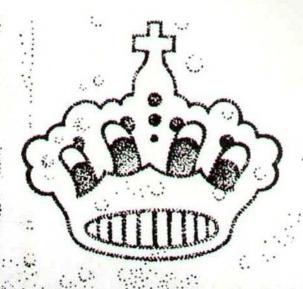


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CARR'S CORNER

THIS afternoon we welcome Swindon Town and their well-known manager Lou Macari to the County Ground. This is a meeting between Clubs who are very old rivals and on this occasion it is a very important clash.

Swindon are a very good side and have emerged as one of the favourites for promotion. Our own form is pretty good just at the moment and we are hoping that the match will provide us with our best Football League attendance so far this season.

When we visited Swindon at their County Ground last September we were beaten by the odd goal in five. Richard Hill scored for us and so did Phil Cavener with a late penalty.

On this occasion I am not certain at the time of writing whether Hill will be available for this match. In our Freight Rover Trophy fixture at home to Colchester a week last Tuesday he received some painful facial injuries and we do not know for sure how long they will take to clear up.

One thing certain is that Richard will want to be back as soon as possible, but his absence gave a chance for Adrian Mann to come back into the side and turn on a good performance at Crewe last Saturday when we showed steady form and came away with a 1-0 win, with Trevor Morley scoring the

Adrian has been sitting patiently on the bench for a while and although we have a settled side generally, I have not forgotten the other very important members of the squad. Paul Curtis, Phil Cavener, who was sub at Crewe



and Mark Bushell are all eager and ready. I am sure we will need them on the long run in to the end of the season.

This season we have not been able to give players like these the kind of reserve team football I would like and this is something I intend putting right for next season.

You may have heard that Gavin Nebbeling has left us after nearly three months on loan from Crystal Palace. We were negotiating with Palace for him but I did have a feeling that the move would not be permanent. Palace were asking more than we were prepared to pay and I feel Gavin wanted to see first just what his future was at Selhurst Park.

In any case Palace recalled him to replace Mickey Droy in the first team and it was fortunate that I had lined up Keith McPherson from West Ham. Gavin did well for us. Iwas delighted with Keith's performance on his debut at Crewe.

I hope he continues to settle in quickly and it helps that he has played at Upton park with both Warren Donald and Mark Schiavi.

Finally, thanks for your support and don't forget we are at home again next Saturday when Torquay United are the visitors.



JUNIOR CLARETS

Organised by Mick Conroy

This afternoon we welcome to The County Ground Swindon Town. They are under the guidance of Manager Lou Macari former Manchester United and Scotland International, Swindon are currently second in the Division with a game in hand.





The draw for the Chronicle and Echo Shoot Out Cup is as follows:

Bugbrooke St Michaels v Northampton Ketts

(Today)

Towcester Town v Pottersbury Magpies 8 Feb (Torquay)

Milton Keynes United v Roade Youth 15 Feb (Hartlepool)

Wootton Wolves v Blisworth FC 1 March

(Rochdale)

Today sees the first game in the quarterfinals. The teams today are:

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1.	Neil Flanagan	Jason Wright
2.	Bruce Hartgrove	Roy Willmott
3.	Ashley Riley	Julien Pittam
4.	Martin Lewis	James Barrett
5.	Howard Marriott	Tim Wood
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Unfortunatley there were no winners to competition no. 17. The answers were:

1. Leicester v Burton Albion 2. Wigan Athletic 3. The linesmen with the red flag 4. Brentford 5. Doncaster Rovers.

My Quiz to win a Cobblers Kit today is:

1. Find 12 Clubs in the square -

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2. What height are the corner flags?

3. What is the record FA Cup Final score?

4. Who was Argentinas Captain in the 1978 World Cup?

5. What Canon League club plays their home games at Edgeley Park?

Best of Luck - enjoy the game.

Please sent answers to:

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Our next trip is to table topping Chester City next Wednesday - 5th February - and the lads are hoping for as much support as possible.

Have you travelled away with the Mounties this year? If not you are really missing out. Every away game we run fully marshalled coaches and those that travel regularly always have a great day out, and once again last Saturday Gresty Road was turned into a virtual Cobblers 'home' ground.

If you can get to Greyfriars Bus Station by 4.15 p.m. next Wednesday why not join in the fun! The fare will be £5.00 and you can book your seat at 195 Avington Avenue or you can telephone Northampton 712847. If you are not yet a member of the Mounties then full details are available from John Marversley on Northampton 584421.

* See you at Chester.



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AIDY MANN is in action here at Torquay, with the home team's DEREK DAWKINS in hot persuit.

Mansfield Town's experienced manager IAN GREAVES turned down one of the hot-seats in football when he refused to take over as manager of First Division strugglers West Bromwich Albion.

One of the reasons was the West Bromich sponsorship. Ian pointed out he would have felt somewhat hypocritical sitting on the trainer's bench smoking away when the club are backed by the 'Non-Smoking Campaign'.

Is this an omen? Bad weather prevented the Cobblers playing a League match from December 21 until January 11, but the longest the club has gone without playing in the League was seven weeks back in the 1962-63 season.

AND in that season the club achieved a promotion!

HALIFAX TOWN have not been enjoying the happiest of seasons, so they must have though their luck had changed when they led 3-0 after only 21 minutes away to Scunthorpe United in the League.

Next Home Match
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Sadly for Halifax they were thwarted by Scunthorpe's John Hawley. John helped himself to a hattrick to earn his club a point.

Swindon Town, today's visitors, have beaten one of their own club records already this season, by winning 13 League games at home so far.

Former Cobbler Steve Phillips has moved from Southend United to Torquay United, on loan.

It is striker Steve's second spell with the Devon Club. He was there for a month on loan some years ago, sandwiched between his days at Birmingham and Northampton.

HAPPY in defeat - that's Rochdale. Despite losing to Manchester United in the FA Cup the club picked up £40,000 on the gate, and that is just about equal to their full takings for a season.

SAD in victory must be Crewe Alexandra. Crewe beat Stockport 4-1 in the Freight Rover Trophy but attracted a gate of only 996. Even sadder were Aldershot who mustered only 826 for their game with Cambridge United.

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FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

NORTHAMPTON TOWN 1 (Large) SCUNTHORPE 0 4.607

Northampton: Book, Neal, Brookes, Clarke, Townsend, Kiernan, Felton, McNeil, Large, Gould, Fairbrother.

Scunthorpe: Barnard, Davidson, Jackson, Heath, Deere, Welbourne, Woolmer, McDonald, Rusling, Keegan, Kirk.

Scunthorpe suffered their first defeat in five games when Frank Large netted the only goal of the game in the second half. A good result for Northampton as Scunthorpe were also among the front runners, and even more so as the Cobblers had two reserve players in defence, Phil Neal for Fairfax and Neil Townsend for Rankmore.

SWINDON drew 2-2 with Sheffield Wednesday in this second division encounter, Don Rogers put the Wiltshire club in a 2-1 half time lead, with two goals, coming from the penalty spot. It was ex-Cobbler winger Peter Sissons who equalised to the relief of the 12,000 Hillsborough crowd. This was Swindon's ninth game without defeat in the

A crowd of 33,343 watched Aston Villa beat Fulham, the largest crowd for a third division match ...; Tony Hateley scored a hattrick for Notts County v Peterborough, the first County player to hit a hattrick for six years. Graziano Landoni of Palermo Italy was fined a million lira (£650) for refusing to say goodnight to his trainer.

TEN YEARS AGO

BRENTFORD 2 (Johnson (pen), Cross) NORTHAMPTON T 1 (Hall) 4,110 Brentford: Priddy, Bence, Allen, Johnson, Riddick, Smith, Graham, Scales, Cross, Sweetzer, French.

Northampton: Starling, Gregory, Tucker, Best, Robertson, Carlton, Farrington (McGowan), Mayes, Hall, Phillips, Martin.

Despite their excellent run, the Cobblers failed again at Griffin Park, a ground where they seemed fated to lose. Jim Hall did try to salvage a point but the much travelled Cross netted the winner for the 'Bees'. The Cobblers stayed in second place, Brentford were 14th.

SWINDON TOWN beat Bury 2-1, fighting for their third division survival. Stroud scored the first goal and Rudd, a Bury defender put one in his own net to give Swindon both points. This lifted them from 23rd to 20th. Playing centre-forward for Swindon was Dave Syrett.

Cork Celtic who had George Best on loan, said they would not sign him. Although he drew the crowd, his football lacked enthusiasm --- Ian St. John the Portsmouth manager made a verbal attack on his players through their lack of effort.

FIVE YEARS AGO

NORTHAMPTON TOWN 0 **BOURNEMOUTH 1 (Smith)** 2,140

Northampton: Poole, Denyer, Sandercock, Farmer, Waldock, Williams, Carlton, Sandy, Phillips, Bowen, Heeley (Saxby).

Bournemouth: Allan, Impey, Butler, Smith, Compton, Hefferman, Spackmann, Morgan, Mooney, Whittle, Ferns.

Bournemouth were just one place below Northampton when the game started but ended up three places above. In the Bournemouth side was Alan Whittle the ex-Everton and Crystal Palace winger, while the Cobbler's paraded Keith Williams who later joined Bournemouth.

SWINDON TOWN lost 0-2 at home to Fulham and took the London club's place in the relegation zone. They had started the season in bottom position but over the previous few weeks had lifted themselves to 19th. However they had to start again.

The Anglo-Scottish Cup Committee decided to withdraw the competition. This was due to the Scottish Clubs pulling out due to the fact that no English First Division clubs were taking part. The Football trust announced they was prepared to sink £2,000,000 into depressed areas. The Sports Council pointed out that they were not against the idea but it would have to be done via themselves.

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IAN BENJAMIN is the Cobbler's man in action here as he stretches out during the home game against Burnley that we won 2-0.

WELCOME TO

THIS afternoon we welcome SWINDON TOWN to the County Ground and this really is a meeting of old rivals as we play the 121st fixture between the two clubs.

Swindon, of course, are chasing promotion hard this season and playermanager Lou Macari has survived a crisis at the club to guide them into a strong position. When we visited Swindon's County Ground back in September we went down 2-3 with our goals coming from Richard Hill and Phil Cavener with a penalty.

It was in 1881 that a clergyman, the Rev. W. Pitt, formed Swindon Town as an amateur club, and so strong did they become in their own area that on occasions the Wiltshire County Cup was decided between Swindon and their own

reserve team.

Swindon finally turned professional, and they joined the Southern League when it started in 1894, remaining in continuous membership until 1920 when the club joined the Football League in Division Three South.

In 1910 Swindon reached the semifinals of the FA Cup before losing to Newcastle United, and two years later went through to the semi-finals again,

only to lose to Barnsley.

Sandwiched in between came a League success with the club winning the Southern League Championship in 1911.

In between the wars Swindon remained in Division Three South and in 1928 Harry Morris scored five goals for them in a win over Queen's Park Rangers. The following year a crowd of 24,730 turned up to watch them play Burnley in the FA Cup.

The next season Morris did it again. He scored another five, this time against

Norwich City.

During the Second World War Swindon played no football at all because their ground was used as a prison camp but after the war they were soon back in action and 28,400 turned up when they met Stoke City in the FA Cup in 1952.

In 1958 Swindon won a place in the Third Division when the Third and Fourth Divisions were created and they were promoted to the Second Division in 1964, finishing as runners-up in the Third

Division to the Cobblers.

This was a purple patch in Swindon's history and in 1969 they won the League Cup by beating Arsenal at Wembley. The following year they beat Roma in the second leg of the Anglo-Italian Trophy by winning 3-0.

The match ended in chaos with the Roma team causing a riot. The match was stopped and Swindon were declared the winners. In the same season they finished fifth in Division Two, their highest-ever

position.

The record attendance at Swindon's County Ground, 32,000, came in 1972, against Arsenal in the third round of the FA Cup but the club were relegated to Division Three in 1974 and to the Fourth in 1982.

In the years since 1945 Swindon have employed some of football's great characters as managers, men like Bert Head, Danny Williams, Fred Ford and Dave Mackay. Now Lou Macari is proving himself a worth successor on all counts.

Now a look at the overall record between our clubs:

Home 35 59 12 12 119 47 Away 12 10 39 67 137 TOTAL 120 47 22 51 186 184

DEREK HALL (Midfield)

Born Manchester. Former Coventry City apprentice who made one appearance for that club at Birmingham City in September 1982. At the end of the 1983/84 season he made 10 appearances on loan to Torquay United and after being released by Coventry City he joined the Plainmoor club full time. He made 45 League appearances last season and signed for Swindon in June MARK HUGHES (Forward)

Born Swindon. A young forward who made his debut whilst still an apprentice coming on as substitute against Northampton Town in March 1984 and had made one other first team appearance by the end of last season.

JOHN (Jake) FINDLAY (Goalkeeper) Born Blairgowrie. Former Aston Villa

apprentice who made his League debut in season 1973/74 but as opportunities were limited he moved to Luton Town in December 1978, playing eventually in the Second Division Championship winning team of 1981/82. More recently he lost his place at Luton after 167 League appearances, injury restricting him to three last season. He has had loan periods with Second Division clubs Barnsley and Derby County and signed for Swindon in July 1985.

SWINDON TOWN

Back row (left to right) - Mark Hughes, Peter Lango, Andy Wollen, Charlie Henry, Colin Gordon, Colin Calderwood, Chris Ramsey. Third Row - John Trollope (Assistant Manager), Brian Wade, Leigh Barnard, Mark Gardiner, Scott Endersby, John Findlay, Alan Churchward, Derek Hall, Andy Rowland, David Hockday, Kevin Morris (Physiotherapist). Second Row - Sean Prowse, Peter Coyne, Sheldon Lee, Lou Mocari (Tarm Manager). Jamie Payrolde, Martin Davidson, Mark Payro, Front Row. Macari (Team Manager), Jamie Reynolds, Martin Davidson, Mark Payne. Front Row-Gary Gillette, Nick Hughes, David Law.



LEIGH BARNARD (Midfield)

Born Worsley. Served his apprenticeship with Portsmouth and made his league debut for them at Exeter City in September 1977, Made 89 appearances for Pompey plus four on loan to Peterborough United before signing for Swindon Town in July 1982. An enthusiastic player always in the thick of the action, he can play in any midfield position but is most effective playing wide. Last season he had a short loan period with Exeter City. Has made 115 appearances for the Town.

COLIN CALDERWOOD (Defender)

Born Strangaer. Previously with Mansfield Town for whom he made his League debut at Crewe Alexander in March 1982. A strong defender who was signed by Swindon in June 1985 after 100 League appearances for the Field Mill Club 41 of them last season.

DAVID COLE (Defender)

Born Isle of Man. Signed for Swindon in February 1985 from Swansea City where he made eight appearances. He then made 20 appearances for Swindon last season, including some stylish displays at centre half.

PETER COYNE (Forward)

Born Hartlepool. An Apprentice with Manchester United, his League debut coming at Aston Villa in February 1976. He made one other appearance that season but was given a free transfer at the end. He was out of League football until August 1977 when he began again for Crewe Alexandra for whom he made 133 League appearances and was three times leading goalscorer. Another free transfer in May 1981 saw him leave

League football until Swindon signed him in August 1984 from Hyde United. Although he played some of last season in mid-field he is seen at best up front beside the centre forward. He made 42 appearances last season.

COLIN GORDON (Forward)

Born Stourbridge. Although on noncontract forms with Wolverhampton Although on Wanderers at one time Colin played nonLeague football with Worcester City, Bromsgrove Rovers and Oldbury United before signing for Swindon in November 1984 at the age of almost 22. He scored on his debut at Rochdale that month and went on to make 32 appearances and one substitute appearance. A bustling player who made such rapid improvement that he was voted Player of the Year by supporters.

CHARLIE HENRY (Defender)

Born Acton. Former Swindon apprentice who signed professional in February 1980 and made his first team debut in September of that year at Lincoln City. A popular and hard tackling player who has played mainly at right full back

DAVID HOCKADAY (Midfield)

Born Billingham. Before joining Swindon in the summer of 1983 he had played 178 games over eight years with Blackpool, his only other club. A versatile player who now seems to have settled into a midfield role although he can play on the wing or in the forward line. Had made 53 appearances and four substitute appearances for Swindon at the end of last season.

CHRIS RAMSEY (Defender)

Born Birmingham. Although an amateur

with Bristol City his League debut came after signing for Brighton and was at Crystal Palace in April 1981. He made 30 appearances for Brighton in the League but also played in the 1983 cup final where he broke a leg, missing the replay. A stylish full back, particularly when on the attack, he signed for Swindon in December 1984 after a loan period earlier in the season, Made 32 League appearances last season.

BRIAN WADE (Forward)

Signed for non-League football in May 1985. He was formerly with Bath City, Paulton Rovers and Trowbridge Town.

MARK GARDINER (Forward)
Born Cirencester. Young forward with eight first team games to his credit who has graduated from the apprentices and made his League debut against Mansfield Town in April 1984.

JAMIE REYNOLDS (Forward)

A winger who made one appearance last season as substitute against Crewe Alexandra in March, 1985 whilst still an apprentice.

Born Edinburgh. Swindon Player/ Manager appointed in July 1984 after distinguished career with Celtic. Manchester United and Scotland. He joined United in 1973 after over 50 appearances for Celtic and made 329 League appearances for the Old Trafford Club. He also played 24 times for Scotland, Originally a forward and later a midfield player he has played in a variety of roles for Swindon and continues to display the class that marked his appearances in a higher grade of

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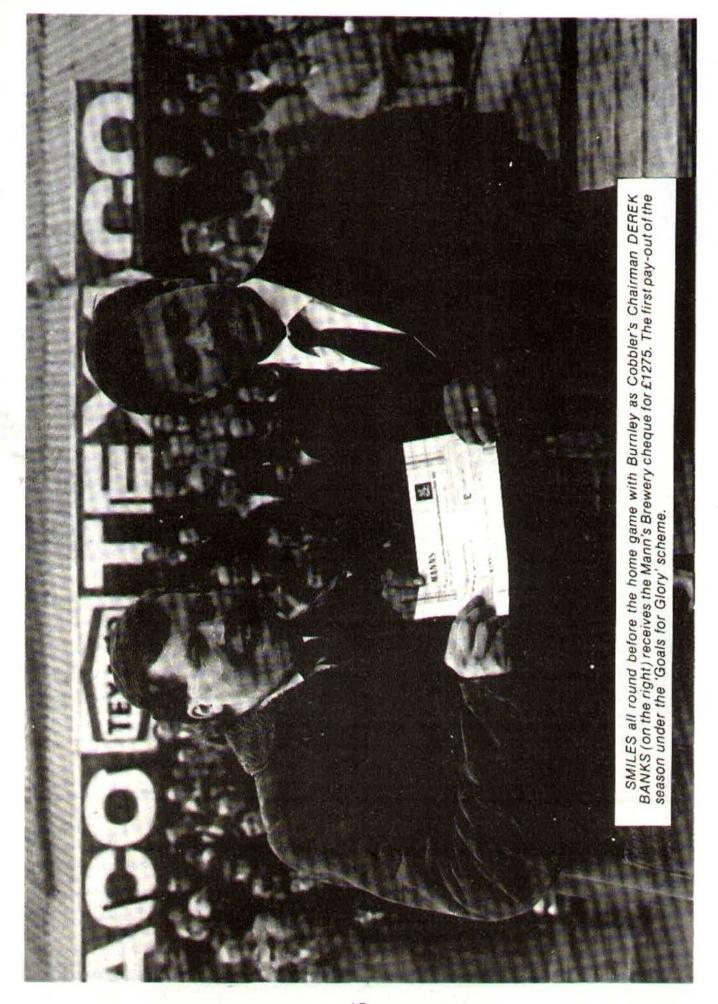
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PERSONAL

COLIN CLARKE

Colin Clarke has this season become an important part of the Cobbler's long-term plans as manager of the youth team, taking over from Clive Walker after Clive's return to the position of chief coach.

For Colin this is a welcome return to full time football after a spell concentrating on his sportswear business, and the youth team's good run in the FA Youth Cup was early proof that his work is taking effect.

Colin was born at Penilee in Glasgow and started his career with Scottish junior clubs. Finally he turned semi-professional, but only nine weeks later was invited by Arsenal for trials.

After two weeks at Highbury, Colin, who had just turned 17, was offered terms, and he stayed for two years. He made no First Division appearances and then the young wing-half was snapped up by Oxford United's wise old manager Arthur Turner.

It was Turner who turned Colin into a centre-half and in a 12-year stay at the Manor Ground he made more than 450 League appearances. For a number of Oxford's best years of that period he played alongside Ron Atkinson, now manager of Manchester United.

When finally, Colin left Oxford he spent a year in America with the Los Angeles Aztecs and then a season with Plymouth Argyle. In 1979 he followed in Ron Atkinson's footsteps by taking over as playermanager of Kettering Town.

After success at Kettering, Colin moved over to Corby Town and when he quit that job, continued to play on the local scene with Brixworth. Then last summer Graham Carr enticed him to the County Ground.

Colin says it is difficult to pick out the big matches from so many, but he has a vivid memory of playing for Oxford

against Watford in an FA Cup tie shown on television - and of scoring one of the goals in a 2-1 win.

Also at Oxford he remembers a Second Division victory over Manchester United, with Oxford squeezing home

Football has taken Colin to many parts of the world and he has pleasant memories of the Anglo-Italian Tournament in the early 1970s when Oxford went to Italy and, as Colin says, surprised a lot of people.

Away from the game Colin relaxes by playing squash, tennis and snooker and he enjoys a day at the races, he and his wife Susan have just moved to Moulton and they have one son, 11 year old Jamie.

Colin says he still retains plenty of ambition in football. He tells us: "I hope to be part of a really successful

or inisation - and I hope very much that that can be achieved here at the County Ground".



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COMMERCIAL NEWS

A Rallying Call from New Director Bob Church

My message to you 2,000 loyal supporters is this. I firmly believe that at last your patience is going to be rewarded in full. By this I mean that the whole club is beginning to bubble with confidence again as it did in the 1960's. The feeling is there for the will to win, created by Derek Banks and Graham Carr who in less than a year of positive actions have done so much to give us an exciting team of young players.

Even stay at home supporters of old are beginning to get their interest aroused once more and I should know as I was one of them. Did you notice how the 2,000 gate average for so long suddenly became 3,000 for Port Vale, and I reckon it would have been 4,000 for Exeter and even as high at 6,000 for Orient had the gods and the ref. been kind to us.

What we must try to do now is encourage more supporters to turn out again. By this we need to ensure they are aware that there is no hooliganism at the County Ground, because the fear of this still puts a lot of people off. Our record is good this season and we must maintain it if the club is to be successful.

What about this for an idea? If we all bring along to the next home game one or two friends. Old supporters are still around in their thousands and we have over another 100,000 people living in the town since we were in the First Division.

If we all get together on this it will help immensely, they only need to watch one game to get back in the groove. Newcomers to the town of the last ten years, even if they were keen on football have not had a lot to attract them really - until now that is - so please do your best to bring them along.

I know many of you would like to say a big thank you to Derek and Graham and this will be a way of doing it. The ground worries would all be minor points if only we could bank on a regular 5,000 home gate once more. I am sure with your help we can achieve this.

Footnote Bob knows what success in a major sport is all about for he will be fly fishing for England in the home country's International in Ireland next spring. This will be his fifth cap.

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By Fronk Grande

The First European Cup Final to take place in Britain was in front of 127,621 at Hampden Park. The contestants were the mighty Real Madrid, undefeated in a European Cup Final since its inception, and Eintracht Frankfurt, a German club who suprisingly won the German Championships the season prior, but were very low placed at the time of the final and did not parade even one German International.

The game started cautiously, with each club trying to feel the other out. But the German side found a weakness in the Spanish right wing and after 20 minutes they exploited it. Centre-forward Stein, raced down the line, cut inside, and laid the ball in the path of right-winger Kress, who made no mistake from 6 yards.

Six minutes later Brazilian right-winger Canario beat his marker as if he hadn't existed, and laid the ball in the path of the 34 year old Alfredo Di Stafano who, with his usual calm, placed the ball past the Frankfurt 'keeper, Loy.

Three minutes later Di Stafano had taken another goal, when he was first to

react to a ball spinning off the goalkeeper, so Real went ahead.

Di Stafano was now in his element. He patrolled the field calling for, and receiving, the ball, and entertaining the crowd with his brilliance. Just before half-time the Hungarian Ferenc Puskas, known as the 'Galloping Major' due to his short galloping strides, took the ball to the byline and when everyone thought he would pass back, shot a goal for a very narrow angle, and scored.

When Lutz pushed Gento, the fastest winger in European football, the referee awarded a penalty, and Puskas made it 4-1, then from a Gento cross, the Hungarian secured his hattrick. The portly forward had not finished yet, he reached a ball - that seemed impossible, pivoted and scored in one movement.

For a moment the geat Real 'Machine', coughed and spluttered, allowing Stein to pull one back for the Germans but, as if punishing the Germans, Di Stefano collected the ball in his own area, heading for the Frankfurt goal and leaving German bodies littered along his path as they went in for a tackle and found no one there. He finished the move with a brilliant goal. To close the scoring, Stein jumped on a bad back pass to score the Germans third.

REAL MADRID: Dominguez, Marquitos, Pachin, Vidal, Santamaria, Zarraga,

Caniario, Del Sol, Di Stefano, Puskas, Gento. EINTRACHT FRANKFURT: Loy, Lutz, Hoefer, Wellbaecher, Eigenbordt, Stinka, Kress, Linder, Stein, Pfaff, Meirer.

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THE FANS: News and Views

Tragic Death

It was with great sadness that we heard news of Ernest Bingham's death immediately following our recent game at Mansfield. Ernest was a regular traveller with the Mounties and had in fact been a loyal supporter of the Cobblers for over 50 years. A letter of sympathy was sent to Mr Bingham's family by the club and representatives of the supporter's club attended the funeral. Thanks to the co-operation of Crewe's officials, a minutes silence was observed before last Saturdays match.

Welcome on Board

We have appointed another new Director to our board bringing our strength up to ten (one more for a complete team!). We extend a warm welcome to Dick Underwood who is very well known in local football circles. Dick currently plays for UCL side Northampton Spencer as well as running the successful Nexday outfit in the Sunday Alliance League. He was originally approached by Graham Carr and is very keen to come in and inject even more enthusiasm. Our aim is to run a regular reserve side next season and we have applied to join the United Counties League. This will not only provide regular games for fringe first teamers but will also create additional interest for the fans. It is envisaged that Dick will help out with the running of this new part of the club. The idea of a larger board is that each Director will be given a specific job as we intend to progress as quickly as possible.

Ground News

As you can see we are now well underway with the erection of our new stand on the Spion Kop terrace and we hope to have it completed as soon as possible. The stand will give us 500 seats and following some fire-proofing works under the old stand, admission will be via one of the old turnstiles on Abington Avenue. Watch out in the press for news of season tickets that we will be selling for the remainder of the season. We have drawn up plans for major improvements to be carried out under the old stand during the summer. When complete - at the beginning of next season - we will have a larger boardroom, a players/sponsors lounge and a supporters club with a capacity for over 200. We are applying for a club licence as our plans include for bars

both in the lounge and supporters club. These facilities will be the best the club has ever had and are desparately needed. As you may have read in the press, our aim is to move to a new site at Brackmills and although there has been no news of this over the past few weeks, rest assured that continual negotiations are going on behind the scenes.

Offices on the Move

To accommodate these alterations, the main club offices have now moved to the first floor of 195 Abington Avenue. Following a complete re-decoration, these new offices are far better than the old ones under 'A' stand. All enquiries are now being handled from this new office. The telephones have not yet been moved completely and full details of any new numbers will appear in a future issue.

Supporters Club News

The next supporters club football team trials will take place on Sunday 2nd February at Victoria Park. The last trial created a lot of interest and there are now plans to run two sides. All members who are interested in playing should turn up for the trial at 2.00 p.m.

Two supporters club teams have been entered in a Sports Quiz being held at the Overstone Cricket Club on February 27th at 8.00 p.m. Support will be very welcome.

The club night on Wednesday 5th February has been cancelled due to the match at Chester.

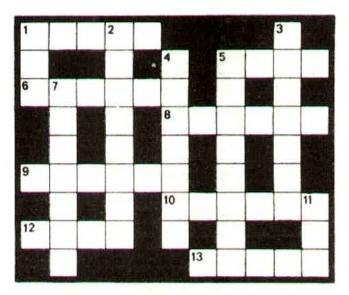
Crossword Answers

Across - I. cross 5, ball 6, thrown 8, Galley 9, Canada 10, Norman 12, Fred 13, panel, Down - I. Cat 2, Scotland 3, Algeria 4, England 5, Bulgaria 7, Hilaire 11, nil(-nil)

Quiz Answers
1. Tooting and Mitchum 2. Arsenal 3. Newcastle 4. Kettering Town 5. Lew Chatterley 6. £65,000

COBBLERS

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ACROSS

- 1. Centre (5)
- 5. The ... (4)
- may be --- in to restart the game after a certain sort of stoppage (4)
- Sixties/seventies striker John shared 150 goals between Wolves, Rotherham, Bristol City, Forest, Peterborough and Hereford (6)
- One of the countries which qualified early for the 1986 World Cup finals (6)
- 'First name' full-back who served Leicester for several seasons and appeared in two of their ill-fated 1960s FA Cup finals (6)
- Striker --- Binney is one of the handful who have turned out for all three Devon clubs (4)
- Pools group called in to allocate 1-2-X to any coupon matches postponed in large numbers
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DOWN

- 1. Peter Bonetti had this nickname (3)
- 2. One of the World Cup qualifiers ... (8)
- 3. ... here's another ... (7)
- 4. ... and another ... (7)
- 5. ... and one more for luck (8)
- Forward who had had a long run with Crystal Palace before making two close-set moves (to Luton and thence to Portsmouth) in 1984 (7)
- 11. Half the score in a scoreless draw! (3)

Solution on Page 21

COBBLERS QUIZ No. 17

- Which non-League club knocked the Cobblers out of the FA Cup in 1958/59 season?
- Who did the Cobblers play to celebrate the opening of their floodlights in 1960?
- 3. When the Cobblers were promoted from Division Two, they were runners-up. Who won the second division that season?
- 4. To which club did Bryan Harvey move in 1968?
- He came in September 1971, was made captain, left in March 1972, and is now second man with with a Second Division club, who is he?
- 6. How much did Phil Neal cost Liverpool?

Solution on Page 21

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- McPHERSON 6
 - DONALD 7
 - BENJAMIN 8
 - SCHIAVI 9
 - MORLEY 10
 - RICHARD 11
 - MANN 12

SWINDON TOWN

- 1 ALLEN
- 2 RAMSEY
- 3 ROBERTS
- 4 BARNARD
- 5 COLE
- 6 CALDERWOOD
- 7 COYNE
- 8 HENRY
- 7 GORDON
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