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# FROM THE MANAGERS CHAIR

Good evening. Welcome to Plainmoor and to the second leg of what is now known as the Littlewood's Cup. It's no secret that we made a bit of a hash of the first 90 minutes at Swindon a fortnight ago and left ourselves a huge peak to climb if we are to progress in the competition.

Swindon come here sitting on a 3-0 lead and it would be a rash punter indeed who put money on our chances tonight. Nevertheless soccer has a habit of producing the occasional remarkable turnaround in fortunes and let's hope we can do something a bit special over the next hour-and-half to bury the memory of a disappointing performance during the initial leg at the County Ground.

In pinning our hopes on reaching the second round, I would remind you of the game between Cardiff City and Plymouth Argyle in the first leg of the very same competition at Ninian Park a fortnight ago. Cardiff were 4 goals down at one stage yet came back from the dead to beat our Devon neighbours 5-4. That's the sort of fighting, never-say-die qualities I'm looking for tonight and who is to say it can't be achieved if we can snatch an early goal and put Swindon under a bit of pressure?

I know it's unlikely under any side managed by Lou Macari but we must also hope to catch Swindon in a complacent mood after establishing a 3 goal advantage in front of their own supporters during the first leg. Hopefully they will think the tie is over and drop their guard sufficiently for us to get in one, early blow which could turn events in our favour. In welcoming Swindon, may I take this opportunity to congratulate them on their magnificent achievement last season to take the Fourth Division Championship with a record number of points and a record number of away victories in the club's history.

They started where they left off by winning at Bolton on their return to the Third Division and by whipping us so comprehensively a fortnight ago. Their winning sequence was brought to a halt when they lost 2-1 at home to Notts. County on Sunday while we were going under by the only goal of the game at Northampton. That leaves us with only one point from our opening two league matches but I'm looking to tonight's display as a springboard for victory over Wrexham here next Saturday evening. Enjoy this game. See you again at the Weekend.

Stuart Morgan



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# TODAY'S VISITORS

## SWINDON TOWN

Swindon Town won their first Football League title last season as they swept to the Fourth Division Championship under the astute guidance of their Team Manager, Lou Macari, the former Scotland, Glasgow Celtic and Manchester United star.

In compiling a Football League record of 102 points, Swindon Town passed several previously existing club records with consummate ease.

Naturally the exploits of last season attracted several of the leading clubs to take a definite interest in the immediate future of the diminutive Scot, who had become one of the brightest and most promising young Managers in the Football League.

The summer months were spent dissuading Coventry City, Leicester City and Glasgow Celtic from adding Lou Macari to their staff. While overtures were received from all three clubs along with more than a little interest from Spain, it was eventually a compromise that decided the immediate destiny of the popular Scot.

After being offered the position of Assistant Manager with Glasgow Celtic, Lou Macari finally settled for remaining as Manager of Swindon Town. While his decision to stay at the County Ground caused disappointment at Parkhead, the home of his former club, Glasgow Celtic, he renewed his links with the Scottish champions by accepting scouting duties, with emphasis placed on the South of England.

Although interest was centred around the future of Lou Macari, he did not neglect his duties at the County Ground. In preparation for a return to Third Division soccer, Lou Macari strengthened his record breaking squad with four signings of merit. Former Watford and Grimsby Town striker Jimmy Gilligan returned south for a fee of £31,500 while the payment on central defender Tim Parkin, from Bristol Rovers and the highly promising Martin Ling from Exeter City were decided by a July sitting of the Football League Tribunal.

Swindon Town had to pay £27,500 for Tim Parkin, while Exeter City were the recipients of £25,000 for Martin Ling. Former Bristol Rovers striker Steve White also moved to the County Ground on a free transfer after scoring sixteen goals last season for the former Eastville Club.

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**KENNY ALLEN**—(Goalkeeper). Born 12.1.54. Joined Swindon Town from Torquay United in September 1985. The former Hartlepool United, West Bromwich Albion and Bournemouth player collected a Fourth Division Championship medal in his first season with the club as he made 40 league appearances. Ken certainly settled a problem position for Lou Macari.

**DAVE HOCKADAY**—(Defender). Born 9.11.57. The versatile former Blackpool player who moved to the County Ground from the Bloomfield Road club in the close season of 1983, proved a revelation in the full back hole he filled in the second half of last season. Dave made 34 appearances and three substitute appearances in the Towns championship winning line-up of last season.

**CHRIS RAMSEY**—(Defender). Born 28.4.62. The former Bristol City and Brighton full back joined the County Ground staff on loan initially. Lou Macari secured his permanent transfer in December 1984. Chris who suffered an unfortunate injury while appearing in the 1983 Brighton v Manchester United F.A. Cup Final at Wembley, made up for the disappointment of collecting a losers medal by collecting a Fourth Division Championship medal with Swindon Town last season.

**TIM PARKIN**—(Defender). Born 31.12.57. Joined the County Ground staff from Bristol Rovers in July for a Football League Tribunal fee of £27,500. The tall commanding central defender had made 219 league appearances for Rovers. Tim moved to the Bristol Club from Malmö (Sweden) in August 1985. Rated at £50,000 by Bristol Rovers prior to his move to Swindon, Tim had been 'Player of the Year' in successive seasons with the former Eastville club. He originally made his Football League debut with Blackburn Rovers for whom he made 13 league appearances.

**DAVID COLE**—(Central Defender). Born 28.9.62. The Isle of Man born central defender signed for Swindon in February 1985 on a free transfer from Swansea City. During the Wiltshire clubs triumphant season, the former Vetch Field defender missed only two league matches. Dave spent brief spells with St. Mirren and Sunderland before joining the South Wales club.

**COLIN CALDERWOOD**—(Central Defender). Born 20.1.65. Without doubt Colin proved to be Lou Macari's outstanding signing as he built his championship winning team in the Summer of 1985. The former Mansfield Town defender attracted a lot of attention from First Division clubs last season with his brilliant displays. Stranraer born, Colin, was the only Swindon Town player to make the 46 maximum League appearances as Swindon collected their first ever League Championship title. Colin rightfully won the 'Player of the Year' award in his first Season with the club.

**CHRIS KAMARA**—(Midfield). Born 25.12.57. Chris rejoined the club for a second spell in August 1985 from Brentford for a £12,500 transfer fee. Absent through injury in the first half of last Season the former Portsmouth apprentice made 19 League appearances and one as substitute, scoring one League goal. Chris is one of the few players in the Football League to have played for two league clubs in different spells—Portsmouth and Swindon. Chris made 183 first team appearances in his first spell with the club.

**STEVE WHITE**—(Striker). Born 2.1.59. Steve was surprisingly given a free transfer at the end of last season by Bristol Rovers. After scoring sixteen goals for the former Eastville club last season, Lou Macari fought off opposition from several Third Division clubs to obtain his signature in July. Steve was in his second spell with Rovers having been transferred to Luton Town for a fee of £200,000 in 1979. He later played for Charlton Athletic before his return to Bristol Rovers.

# TORQUAY UNITED SEASON 1986-87



**LEFT TO RIGHT. BACK ROW:** DARREN CANN CHRIS MYERS TREVOR WEBBER DAVE WREYFORD  
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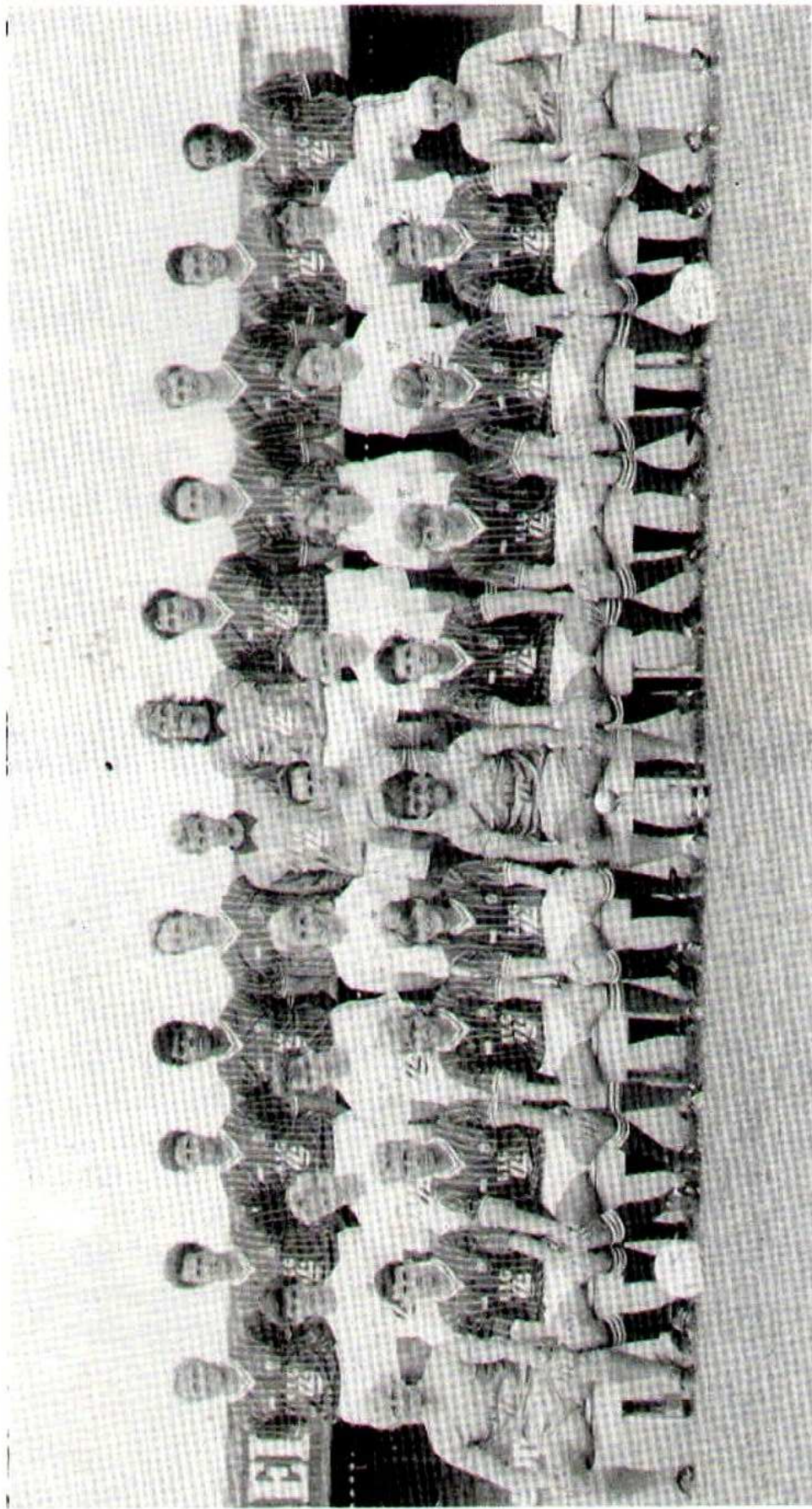
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DATE	OPPONENTS	K.O.	RESULT	UNITED SCORERS
23/8/86 Sat.	BURNLEY	H 7.30	1-1	NARDIELLO
26/8/86 Tue.	SWINDON TOWN		0-3	
	Littlewoods Cup, 1st Round, 1st Leg	A 7.30		
31/8/86 Sun.	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	A 3.00		
2/9/86 Tue.	SWINDON TOWN			
	Littlewoods Cup, 1st Round, 2nd Leg	H 7.30		
6/9/86 Sat.	WREXHAM	H 7.30		
12/9/86 Fri.	COLCHESTER UNITED	A 7.30		
16/9/86 Tue.	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	A 7.45		
20/9/86 Sat.	ALDERSHOT	H 3.00		
27/9/86 Sat.	PRESTON NORTH END	A 3.00		
30/9/86 Tue.	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H 7.30		
3/10/86 Fri.	TRANMERE ROVERS	A 7.30		
11/10/86 Sat.	HALIFAX TOWN	H 7.30		
17/10/86 Fri.	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	A 7.30		
21/10/86 Tue.	LINCOLN CITY	H 7.30		
25/10/86 Sat.	SWANSEA CITY	H 7.30		
1/10/86 Fri.	SOUTHEND UNITED	A 7.30		
4/11/86 Tue.	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	A 7.30		
8/11/86 Sat.	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS	H 7.30		
15/11/86 Sat.	F.A. CUP, 1st ROUND			
22/11/86 Sat.	HEREFORD UNITED	H 7.30		
29/11/86 Sat.	ROCHDALE	A 3.00		
6/12/86 Sat.	F.A. CUP, 2nd ROUND			
13/12/86 Sat.	CREWE ALEXANDRA	A 3.00		
20/12/86 Sat.	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H 3.00		
26/12/86 Fri.	EXETER CITY	A 11.00		
27/12/86 Sat.	ORIENT	H 3.00		
1/1/87 Thur.	CARDIFF CITY	H 3.00		
3/1/87 Sat.	HEREFORD UNITED	A 3.00		
10/1/87 Sat.	BURNLEY	A 3.00		
17/1/87 Sat.	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H 3.00		
24/1/87 Sat.	WREXHAM	A 3.00		
31/1/87 Sat.	COLCHESTER UNITED	H 3.00		
7/2/87 Sat.	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	H 3.00		
14/2/87 Sat.	ALDERSHOT	A 3.00		
21/2/87 Sat.	PRESTON NORTH END	H 3.00		
27/2/87 Fri.	STOCKPORT COUNTY	A 7.30		
3/3/87 Tue.	SOUTHEND UNITED	H 7.30		
6/3/87 Fri.	SWANSEA CITY	A 7.30		
14/3/87 Sat.	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H 7.30		
17/3/87 Tue.	LINCOLN CITY	A 7.30		
20/3/87 Sat.	HALIFAX TOWN	A 3.00		
28/3/87 Sat.	TRANMERE ROVERS	H 7.30		
4/4/87 Sat.	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS	A 3.00		
11/4/87 Sat.	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H 7.30		
18/4/87 Sat.	CARDIFF CITY	A 3.00		
20/4/87 Mon.	EXETER CITY	H 3.00		
25/4/87 Sat.	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	A 3.00		
2/5/87 Sat.	ROCHDALE	H 7.30		
4/5/87 Mon.	ORIENT	A 3.00		
9/5/87 Sat.	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H 7.30		

# SWINDON TOWN F.C.



**LEFT TO RIGHT**

**Back Row**

Mark Gardiner, Steve White, Jimmy Gilligan, Chris Kamara, Tim Parkin, Kenny Allen, David Bamber, Charlie Henry, David Cole, Collin Calderwood, Chris Ramsey.

**Front Row**

Alan McLoughlin, Mark Hughes, Jamie Reynolds, Dave Hockaday, Andy Rowland (player/coach), Kevin Morris (physiotherapist), Lou Macari (team manager), John Trollope (assistant manager), Peter Coyne, Martin Ling, Leigh Barnard, Bryan Wade.

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**DEREK DAWKINS**

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Bournemouth

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# ACTION REPLAY ..

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Colin Bratcher

*Mark Crowe in action.*



*Paul Dobson takes on a Burnley defender.*

# ALL OUR YESTERDAYS BY J LOUIS

## 2nd September 1950

United salvage a point from their visit to Carrow Road. In front of 25,000 spectators United's goal in a 1-1 draw with Norwich is netted, almost inevitably, by Sam Collins.

## 2nd September 1953

Ipswich are the visitors to Plainmoor and take the lead after only 5 minutes. But a rare header from Don Mills gives United their first point of the season.

## 2nd September 1959

Larry Baxter terrorises the Northampton defence as United continue their successful promotion attempt. Only two late Northampton goals make the scoreline seem close. United's scorers in a 5-3 win are Graham Bond and Tommy Northcott (2 each) and Baxter.

## 2nd September 1961

United throw away a two goal lead and suffer their third home defeat in a row. Watford are the visitors to Plainmoor and win 4-3. Reg Jenkins, Ernie Pym and Don Mills are on the mark for United. United are relegated to Division Four at the end of the season.

## 2nd September 1967

Although United are held to a goalless draw at Plainmoor by Northampton, this is the fifth unbeaten game in a record run of 14 without defeat at the start of a season.

## 2nd September 1972

Former Liverpool player Steve Arnold makes his debut for United as they gain a goalless draw at Bury. Swindon lose 3-2 at Roker Park to eventual surprise F.A. Cup winners Sunderland. The Robin's goals are secured by Ray Treacy and Don Rogers. Rogers shortly moves to Crystal Palace to link up with former United player and Robin's manager Bert Head.

## 2nd September 1978

United crash 3-0 at Grimsby. Steve Cooper plays his first League game of the season. A goal by Chic Bates preserves Swindon's unbeaten start to the season as they defeat Mansfield at the County Ground.

## 2nd September 1981

Although United stage a fight-back to give themselves an outside chance in the second leg, Newport defeat the Gulls 3-2 at Plainmoor in the League Cup First Round. Steve Cooper and Gerry Fell score for United who draw 0-0 in the second leg the following week at Somerton Park.

The previous day Swindon had visited Wrexham and lost by the same score as United. Kevin Baddeley and Roy Carter (penalty) score for the Robins, who lose 2-0 in the second leg at the County Ground.



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# FOURTH DIVISION ROUND-UP

A crowd of 6000 pressed through the turnstiles at Molineux on the opening day of the season to celebrate Wolves' summer survival act—and went home convinced that life in the Fourth Division is going to be no bed of roses.

The mysterious Bhatti brothers may have relinquished control, the Asda Superstore group may have bailed the club out to the tune of £3 million—but caretaker manager, Brian Little, knows that reviving the team's fortunes on the pitch is going to be a long hard job. Wolves' first ever taste of life in the Fourth Division ended in a humiliating 2-1 defeat by Cambridge and their hopes of a money-spinning run in the Littlewoods Cup took a knock three days later when they lost 2-1 at home to Lincoln—significant! 2844 fewer fans turned up for that match!

Lincoln manager George Kerr had his fair share of problems during the close season—he even had to read his men the riot act after a side which contained eight first team regulars was thumped 5-0 by village side Croft United.

But Kerr's harsh words have obviously hit home—and although the new season is just 11 days old, Lincoln's inclusion amongst the Fourth Division promotion favourites no longer looks quite so much of a sick joke.

That victory over Wolves, and a 3-1 triumph over Colchester on the opening day of the season has left the Sincil Bank club optimistic that they can put their troubles behind them and clinch a return to the Third Division at the first attempt.

Swansea, who like Wolves survived a High Court winding up order during the summer, have made a confident start to their first season back in the Football League's basement.

"I'll give the team that finished last season a chance, but it will only be one chance," warned Swans manager Terry Yorath during the summer. "If by the end of the first month I don't think they are good enough then I will be back into those free transfer lists again."

With their jobs on the line, Swansea's battle hardened players kicked off with a confident 3-1 win over Stockport—and a 3-3 Littlewoods Cup draw at Hereford should ensure that Yorath doesn't have to start flicking through those free transfer lists just yet.

These notes had to be written before last Saturday's games—but most of the Fourth Division's leading marksmen have wasted no time in getting amongst the goals.

David Crown, who cracked 24 goals for Cambridge last season, got off the mark during his side's 2-2 Littlewoods Cup draw with Orient—and Torquay will certainly have to watch out for him when the two sides meet in a fortnights time.

Midfield ace Richard Hill, who slammed a quick fire hat-trick against Torquay at the tail end of last season, resumed where he had left off with a goal in their opening match against Scunthorpe.

And Tranmere player-manager Frank Worthington, who also enjoyed himself at Torquay expense last season, proved that there is plenty of life left in his 37-year-old legs with a goal during his side's 2-1 defeat at Stockport—and it didn't come from the penalty spot either!

Steve Taylor, who topped the Fourth Division scoring chart last season, got off the mark during his side's 1-1 Cup draw with Burnley—and Tony Adcock, another 20-goal-a-season man got Colchester's consolation during that 3-1 defeat by Lincoln.

New marksmen to watch out for in the Fourth Division this season? Well apart from our own Gerry Nardiello of course, Cardiff's Nigel Vaughan sounded a stern warning to defences up and down the country with two goals during his side's astonishing 5-4 Cup win over Plymouth Argyle.

Arch-rivals Exeter City looked to have uncovered a promising young striker in 19-year-old Dean Roberts, who celebrated his Football League debut with the goal which sunk pre-season promotion favourites Orient on the opening day.

While Lincoln are expecting big things from England Under-21 international strike Gary Lund, who joined the club from Second Division Grimsby during the close season and scored on his debut against Colchester.

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## CLUB NEWS

At least we cannot be accused of keeping our match day raffle prizes to ourselves! The winners for the Burnley game were: a holiday-maker from Hampshire; a director of Burnley F.C. and a member of the Supporters Club committee. Our thanks to all who bought tickets—there will be more on sale today with three prizes available. The price is 25p a strip and by buying these you do make a very real contribution to our income and thus to helping the club. Last year we raised over £1,400 with this raffle and we aim to do even better this year.

Whilst on the subject of winners, congratulations to our three winners of the 100 Club for August. They are: £30—Mr. Brian Pady of Paignton; £10—Miss V. Rudd of Exeter; £5—Mr. D. Stott of Street, Somerset.

As we said in the last programme, there have been a lot of changes at Plainmoor during this summer. Not least in the change in attitude at the Club when the supporters do matter again. Lou Pope, Chairman of the Board of Directors wants very much to have close relationships with the supporters and this view is shared by Stuart Morgan our manager. As the newly elected chairman of the Supporters Club I feel we as a committee have a very important role in this, for it is our job to liaise with the directors to let them know what you, the supporter, is saying. As we come around with our raffle tickets or after the match, please don't be afraid to tell us of your concerns so that these may be fed back in the right direction. It may not always be possible to do everything at once, but we do want to do our best and we do want to give all supporters a sense of belonging and a feeling that their views matter.

Finally, don't forget to join the Supporters Club. £1 per year (which includes insurance). Don't forget to encourage our youngsters to join the Juniors—details from Steve Phillips. Don't forget to take you free copy of "The Gull"—available at canteens.

### ADDITIONAL CLUB NEWS

Many thanks to those supporters who travelled to Swindon, the team appreciated your being there. One sad note. No catering facilities were available for away supporters at Swindon, which is strange when you consider the impressive facilities for the home supporters.

With regard to the 'Cage' at the Babbacombe end of our ground, this will be disappearing in due course as we realise improvements must be made here.

It was great to see the Social Club busy after the Burnley game and everybody enjoying themselves and chatting to the players, so if you are not already a member, join now, you will be most welcome.

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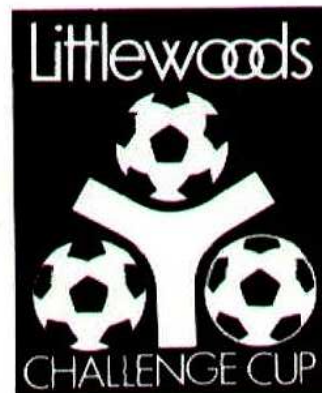
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If our new involvement can go some way towards helping to realise these aims, then it will have been a challenge well worth accepting.



# TODAY'S TEAMS

## TORQUAY UNITED

COLOURS: YELLOW & BLUE

1. John SMEULDERS
  2. Jim McNICHOL
  3. Phil KING
  4. Paul COMPTON
  5. Mark CROWE
  6. Gary RICHARDS
  7. Tom KELLY
  8. Steve PYLE
  9. Mario WALSH
  10. Gerry NARDIELLO
  11. Paul DOBSON
  12. Russell MUSKER
  13. Darren CANN
- Manager: STUART MORGAN

## SWINDON TOWN

COLOURS: RED & WHITE

1. Kenny ALLEN
  2. Chris RAMSEY
  3. Dave HOCKADAY
  4. Chris KAMARA
  5. Tim PARKIN
  6. Colin CALDERWOOD
  7. David SAMBER
  8. Charlie HENRY
  9. Bryan WADE
  10. Peter COYNE
  11. Martin LING
  12. Leigh BARNARD
  13. Jimmy GILLIGAN
- Manager: LOU MACARI

REFEREE R. B. GIFFORD

LINESMEN J. B. COX  
C. HILL

MINERVA MATCH BALL

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LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR—7.30 p.m.