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TODAY we entertain as our visitors, opposition from the Army Garrison town of Aldershot and we expect them to provide us with a real tussle.

The Hampshire Club have been more than usually successful this season even in spite of six home defeats for they have somewhat counterbalanced this deficiency by winning four and drawing three games on opponents grounds. They are the only club to gain the great distinction of defeating Coventry City at the Highfield Road Ground, which they accomplished by two clear goals on Christmas Day, and although Coventry somewhat levelled matters up the following day by defeating Aldershot at home, this does not however take away any of the glorification from the performance. Coventry City, Crystal Palace, Gillingham, Queens Park Rangers, Swindon Town and have been successful at the Recreation Ground, whilst Bristol City, Millwall, Southend United and Watford have shared the spoils there. Mention has already been made of their away victory at Coventry but they have also been successful at Cardiff City by one goal to nil, at Millwall by two goals to one and at Notts County by a similar score, whilst drawn games have resulted from their visits to Southend, Bournemouth and Watford.

The finances of the Aldershot Club have never reached a high figure consequently their expenditure on players has of necessity been practically nil. The only player for which a transfer fee has been paid this season is Robert Shankly a forward from Newcastle United, but other captures were Jacob Iceton the ex-Fulham goalkeeper, Walter Rivers from Gateshead and Ernest Whitworth from Burnley, halfbacks, and in the vanguard Ernest Robson from Gateshead, John Oxberry from Reading and Andrew Love from Aberdeen.

Clubs, such as our visitors of today, always obtain the admiration of others more favourably situated financially, for the constant struggles that ensue to

get together a team worthy of the Club, with only limited resources available, is one always well understood. Many of the now affluent clubs of today have at one period or another during their history suffered a similar phase and can readily sympathise with those who are going through a similar period. You deserve the congratulation of the football world Aldershot, on your successful efforts of this season.

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Next Match, Saturday, April 4th.

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## ATTENDANCE BAROMETER

1934	1935		1934	£	s.	d.	1935	£	s.	d.	
Aug. 25		Southend United	...	12255	570	13	4				
Aug. 27		Tottenham Hotspur Reserves	...	3371	87	12	11				
Sept. 1		Southend United Reserves	...	4088	106	15	11				
	Aug. 31	Watford Reserves	...					6034	159	17	3
Sept. 3	Sept. 2	Cardiff City	...	9392	423	11	2				
Sept. 8	Sept. 7	Bournemouth Reserves	...					3639	92	3	6
	Sept. 9	Charlton Athletic	...	11226	528	2	8				
Sept. 15	Sept. 14	Southend United	...					13992	635	19	4
	Sept. 17	Bournemouth	...					9011	386	1	4
Sept. 22	Sept. 21	Charlton Athletic Reserves	...	3140	83	10	4				
	Sept. 25	Clapton Orient	...					4064	104	19	6
Sept. 29	Sept. 28	Leicester City Reserves	...	2555	66	11	4				
Oct. 6	Oct. 5	Queens Park Rangers	...					7878	331	12	0
	Oct. 12	Queens Park Rangers	...	7233	392	10	0				
Oct. 20	Oct. 19	Crystal Palace	...					12842	582	6	6
Oct. 24	Oct. 23	Brentford Reserves	...					2620	66	10	6
Oct. 27	Oct. 26	Chelsea Reserves	...	4573	133	7	4				
Nov. 3	Nov. 2	Northampton Reserves	...					10363	463	5	10
	Nov. 9	Swindon Town	...	7801	367	19	4				
Nov. 10	Nov. 9	Cardiff City	...					11950	538	16	6
	Nov. 16	Reading Reserves	...					4755	125	14	3
Nov. 24	Nov. 23	Arsenal Reserves	...	6107	164	19	1				
Dec. 1	Dec. 7	Brighton and Hove	...								
	Dec. 15	Brighton Reserves	...	1200	31	15	0				
Dec. 22	Dec. 21	Bristol City	...								
	Dec. 25	West Ham United Reserves	...	8956	421	12	6				
Dec. 26	Dec. 25	Northampton Reserves	...					4256	111	0	4
Dec. 29	Dec. 28	Newport County	...	3509	92	17	9				
1935	1936	Watford	...					9788	441	12	2
Jan. 5	Jan. 4	Leicester City Reserves	...								
	Jan. 18	Brentford Reserves	...	11260	557	17	10				
Jan. 26	Jan. 25	Swindon Town	...					3156	80	15	8
Feb. 2	Feb. 1	Millwall	...					11893	540	3	6
	Feb. 9	Arsenal Reserves	...	8936	417	16	6				
Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Coventry City Reserves	...					7805	206	13	0
Feb. 23	Feb. 22	Brighton & Hove Reserves	...	2965	78	12	2				
Feb. 25	Feb. 24	Bristol City Reserves	...					2912	76	5	11
Mar. 2	Mar. 1	Bristol City	...								
	Mar. 9	Coventry City	...	2527	67	6	1				
Mar. 16	Mar. 15	Clapton Orient Reserves	...					10842	484	13	4
Mar. 23	Mar. 22	Clapton Orient	...								
1935	1936	Bristol Rovers	...	9231	439	10	10				
Jan. 5	Jan. 4	Charlton Athletic Reserves	...					3842	100	8	8
	Jan. 19	Southampton Reserves	...	12964	655	9	4				
Jan. 26	Jan. 25	Brighton and Hove Albion	...					4206	114	4	6
Feb. 2	Feb. 1	Fulham Reserves	...	4996	136	9	11				
	Feb. 9	West Ham United Reserves	...					17835	940	13	8
Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Notts County	...	2860	76	6	0				
Feb. 23	Feb. 22	Watford Reserves	...					13289	665	8	1
Feb. 25	Feb. 24	Clapton Orient	...								
Mar. 2	Mar. 1	Bristol Rovers	...	8574	399	16	0				
	Mar. 9	Charlton Athletic Reserves	...					4568	118	18	3
Mar. 16	Mar. 15	Southampton Reserves	...	2585	69	0	11				
Mar. 23	Mar. 22	Northampton	...					12504	511	11	4
Mar. 30	Mar. 29	Crystal Palace	...	3410	149	4	6				
Feb. 2	Feb. 1	Southend United Reserves	...					3323	86	12	6
	Feb. 9	Crystal Palace Reserves	...	2269	59	8	5				
Feb. 16	Feb. 15	Reading	...					15453	758	9	0
Feb. 23	Feb. 22	Torquay United	...					6886	309	19	10
Feb. 30	Feb. 29	Crystal Palace Reserves	...					3428	88	16	3
Mar. 6	Mar. 5	Queens Park Rangers Reserves	...	1782	47	4	1				
	Mar. 13	Gillingham	...					11934	572	5	10
Mar. 20	Mar. 19	Aldershot	...					6536	296	6	8
Mar. 27	Mar. 26	Millwall Reserves	...					2605	71	9	4
Mar. 3	Mar. 2	Clapton Orient Reserves	...	336	9	0	7				
	Mar. 10	Watford	...					12890	653	6	0
Mar. 17	Mar. 16	Exeter City	...					8383	381	16	8
Mar. 24	Mar. 23	Bournemouth Reserves	...					1585	40	11	3
Mar. 31	Mar. 30	Swansea Town Reserves	...					3849	100	9	7
Apr. 7	Apr. 6	Bournemouth	...					8497	390	5	2
	Apr. 14	Exeter City	...					12349	567	17	4
Apr. 21	Apr. 20	Reading Reserves	...					1074	28	5	5
	Apr. 28	Coventry City Reserves	...					4566	120	10	0
Apr. 25	Apr. 24	Torquay United	...					9602	409	12	0
				193515	8094	3	1	279625	11456	2	8

These amounts are the nett figures after Entertainment Tax has been deducted.

## CLUB NOTES by "Hatter"

Should one attempt to describe the match with Torquay United on Wednesday evening last as a spectacle, it would indeed be a perversion of the truth, but one could honestly say it was a game full of thrills. Excitement was intense from start to finish and doubtless the tension that was involved had no little effect on our boys. On the other hand Torquay with everything to gain and nothing to lose defended stubbornly, their full backs believing in the order of the boot irrespective of where the sphere eventually landed. There is no doubt that this method was successful and coupled with the fact of a lively ball our vanguard could make little headway. It was not until seventy minutes of the game had elapsed that Jock Finlayson sent a long ball over goalwards to the left wing. It had every appearance of going out, but "Steve" put on an extra burst of speed and despite the attention of two of the "Magpies" defenders he managed to square the ball and George Martin was on the spot to head a cleverly worked goal. After this taste of blood our forwards wanted more and there were determined onslaughts on the Torquay goal until the final whistle, but without result. Joe Coen did not have a tremendous amount to do, but a save in the opening stages brought down the house—a brilliant shot by Beedall and an equally brilliant save. Harold Booton and Tom Smith defended well, both kicking and tackling splendidly whilst Jack Nelson was a tower of strength at centre half. What a pity he had to miss the game at Swindon. Jock Finlayson and Bill Fellowes did not have an altogether happy match, the lively ball oftentimes playing queer tricks, and consequently several passes went astray. It was a pity too that Jack Hodge

pulled a muscle early in the game for this sadly weakened the right flank. Consequently we could not form an opinion of his capabilities, although he rounded the full back well early on and rammed in a perfect shot only for Maggs to make a fine save. George Martin played his usual clever game but Bill Boyd was given the ball too much in the air and against an unceremonious centre half had few opportunities. Nothing would go right for Fred Roberts, but he never gave up trying and one had only admiration for his efforts against adversity. "Steve" played exceedingly well and was the biggest thorn in the flesh of the Torquay defence.

Today we meet Aldershot, a team that have shown remarkable form of late and who possess a defence that is the envy of many another Club. In Willie Robb they possess a goalkeeper of outstanding merit who somehow always manages to shine against us. Let us hope that his light will be put out today but that it will reappear when he takes a well earned benefit shortly. No alteration is made from Wednesday's team with the exception of Len Rich reappearing on the extreme right in place of Jack Hodge and Frank Sloan coming in for George Martin who is taking a well earned rest.

The "Stiffs" visit Highbury and have a tough nut to crack, but if they produce their form of recent weeks they may accomplish something different from the results of previous visits. After an absence of four or five weeks Tom Mackey is having a run at right back and Harry Gooney resumes at right half. Colin Cook takes the centre forward berth with Frank Beresford at inside right and Joe Payne on the extreme wing.

On Wednesday next April 1st the Final Tie of the Wednesday Cup is being played here. Kick off 3-15 p.m. Admission 6d. Everybody pay.

## PLAYERS' APPEARANCES

	League III	London Combination	F.A. Cup	Other Matches	Total	
	App.	Goals	App.	Goals	App.	Goals
Andrews, H.	...	1	29	6	2	2
Ball J. T.	...	19	7	5	2	2
Beresford, F. E.	...	10	1	21	7	31
Booton, H.	...	6			1	32
Boyd, W. G.	...	11	10	3	3	14
Coen, J. L.	...	33			2	38
Colquhoun, D. W.	...	4	21		3	28
Cook, C.	...	2	30	20	2	34
Crompton, W.	...	21	6	5	2	31
Crook, M. S.	...	5	1	6	1	12
Dolman, H. W.	...		2		2	2
Fellowes, W. J.	...	27	1	6	3	37
Finlayson, J.	...	27	3	6	2	38
Fraser, C. R.	...			4		4
Godfrey, W. P. B.	...			5		6
Gooney, W. H.	...	1		1	1	2
Hodge, J.	...	1		1		1
Hubbard, A.	...	2		27		31
Kidd, G. I.	...	7		20	1	29
Kingham, H. R.	...	9		22		31
McGinnigle, H.	...	2		31		34
McIntosh, C. K.	...			33		35
Mackey, T. S.	...	17	7	3	1	28
Martin, G. S.	...	24	6	5	1	33
Nelson, J.	...	29	3	3	2	37
Payne, J.	...	4	21	4	2	27
Rich, L. T.	...	4	2	3	3	7
Roberts, F.	...	30	7	3	2	35
Sloan, F.	...			6	4	6
Smith, T. S.	...	30		3	1	37
Stephenson, G. H.	...	32	10	3		

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#### FIRST LIST

A	Bournemouth v. Torquay U.	.....
B	Bristol R. v. Coventry City	.....
C	Cardiff City v. Bristol City	.....
D	Clapton O. v. Newport Co.	.....
E	Crystal Palace v. Queens P. R.	.....
F	Gillingham v. Millwall	.....
G	Northampton v. Brighton	.....
H	Notts Co. v. Swindon Town	.....
K	Reading v. Watford	.....
L	Southend U. v. Exeter City	.....
M	Chester v. Tranmere Rovers	.....
N	Chesterfield v. Wrexham	.....

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A	Aston Villa v. Birmingham	.....
B	Bolton Wanderers v. Leeds Utd.	.....
C	Brentford v. Chelsea	.....
D	Derby County v. Liverpool	.....
E	Everton v. Grimsby Town	.....
F	Huddersfield T. v. West Brom.	.....
G	Middlesbrough v. Sunderland	.....
H	Portsmouth v. Stoke City	.....
K	Preston N. E. v. Blackburn R.	.....
L	Sheffield Wed. v. Manchester C.	.....
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12	Tinklin Outside Left
13	Temple Inside Left
14	Ray Centre
15	Lutterloch Inside Right
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B	Bradford City v. Bradford	.....
C	Burnley v. Doncaster Rovers	.....
D	Charlton Athletic v. Bury	.....
E	Fulham v. Blackpool	.....
F	Hull City v. West Ham Utd.	.....
G	Manchester U. v. Norwich C.	.....
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Thursday evening last, might possibly in years to come be looked upon as another milestone in the history of the Club, for it was the first occasion of a meeting of the Lady Members of the Club. The meeting took the form of a dinner followed by a musical evening. Fifty-three ladies sat down to the meal which consisted of Soup, Joint and Two Vegetables with Christmas Pudding and Cream, being waited upon at the table by the male members of the Club (as usual did I hear you say). A musical entertainment followed, songs being rendered by Messrs Goodman and Dawes, and the Bob Stand favourite "Peggy," the accompanist being Mrs. Hathaway.

During the evening Mr. J. Collier on behalf of the President and the Committee of the Club said how very pleased they were to see that the Ladies had undertaken

to do something on behalf of the Club. The Committee thought that the time was now opportune and especially so as the New Lounge was practically completed, for the Ladies to have a Committee of their own. The male members too, were anxious to compete with the Ladies to see which section could do the most for the Club. This was received with acclamation and from the enthusiasm with which this intimation was received the formation of a Ladies Committee is a certainty.

Will Clubs and other parties who have written to us for vacant evenings for Social gatherings kindly note that they can expect a reply in the course of a post or two.

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## FIRST XI Division III (Southern)

		F. A.
Sat., Aug. 31	Clapton Orient	1 1 A 0 3
Wed., Sept. 4	Bournemouth	3 1 A 1 2
Sat., 7	Southend United	1 1 H 1 0 0
Mon., 9	Bournemouth	4 0 H 0 0
Sat., 14	Northampton Town	1 2 A 0 0
Mon., 16	Queens Park Rangers	1 1 H 2 0 0
Sat., 21	Crystal Palace	2 2 H 6 0 0
Wed., 25	Swindon (Southern Section Cup)	A 3 1 2
Sat., 28	Reading	0 1 A 1 2
Sat., Oct. 5	Cardiff City	4 0 H 2 2
Sat., 12	Gillingham	1 1 A 1 0
Sat., 19	Brighton & Hove A.	4 0 H 2 1
Sat., 26	Exeter City	2 1 A 2 1
Sat., Nov. 2	Newport County	4 1 H 7 0
Sat., 9	Watford	2 2 A 3 1
Sat., 16	Swindon Town	2 0 H 2 1
Sat., 23	Aldershot	1 0 A 1 0
Sat., 30	Biggleswade (Beds. Premier Cup)	H 3 2
Sat., Dec. 7	Millwall	4 1 A 0 0
Sat., 14	Bristol City	1 1 H 1 0
Wed., 25	Notts County	(2 4) A 3 0
Thurs., 26	Notts C.	(1 2) H 1 0
Sat., 28	Clapton Orient	3 0 H 5 3
Sat., Jan. 4	Southend United	3 3 A 1 0
Sat., 11	West Ham United (F.A. Cup)	A 2 2
Wed., 15	West Ham (F.A. Cup Replay)	H 4 0
Sat., 18	Northampton	2 2 H 3 3
Sat., 25	Manchester C. (F.A. Cup)	A 1 2
Wed., 29	Crystal Palace	1 2 A 1 5
Sat., Feb. 1	Reading	2 4 H 2 1
Sat., 8	Cardiff City	0 1 A 3 2
Sat., 15	Gillingham	2 2 H 1 2
Sat., 22	Brighton & Hove A.	1 4 A 1 1
Sat., 29	Watford	2 2 H 2 1
Sat., Mar. 7	Bristol City	2 0 A 2 1
Sat., 14	Exeter City	4 0 H 3 1
Sat., 21	Swindon Town	1 0 A 0 3
Wed., 25	Torquay United	3 1 H 1 0
Sat., 28	Aldershot	6 1 H
Sat., April 4	Torquay United	2 6 A
Fri., 10	Bristol Rovers	1 1 A
Sat., 11	Millwall	2 1 H
Mon., 13	Bristol Rovers	6 2 H
Sat., 18	Newport County	4 2 A
Sat., 25	Coventry City	4 0 H
Mon., 27	Coventry City	0 1 A
Sat., May 2	Queens Park Rangers	0 3 A

## LEAGUE TABLES

## LEAGUE III (Southern)

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
LUTON TOWN	33	20	7	6	61	38	46
Coventry City	33	19	8	6	88	38	44
Reading	34	21	12	1	75	57	43
Queens Park Rangers	33	18	9	6	69	46	42
Crystal Palace	34	19	11	4	84	61	42
Watford	32	16	10	6	62	42	38
Brighton & Hove A.	34	16	12	6	62	52	38
Bournemouth	33	13	12	8	50	46	34
Torquay United	34	14	14	6	55	52	34
Notts County	34	11	13	10	49	49	32
Gillingham	33	12	14	7	53	58	31
Aldershot	33	12	14	7	38	46	31
Millwall	33	11	13	9	46	62	31
Bristol City	32	11	13	8	35	39	30
Cardiff City	34	11	15	8	53	53	30
Southend United	32	10	13	9	49	46	29
Clapton Orient	32	12	15	5	43	47	29
Swindon Town	33	10	16	7	51	63	27
Bristol Rovers	33	10	16	7	50	68	27
Northampton	34	10	17	7	50	84	27
Newport County	34	9	18	7	49	92	25
Exeter City	35	7	20	8	51	77	22

## LONDON COMBINATION

	Pld.	Won	Lost	Drn.	For	Agst.	P.
Portsmouth	...	37	23	6	8	104	51 54
Brentford	...	37	25	8	4	82	43 54
Arsenal	...	36	24	9	3	91	38 51
Swansea Town	...	39	19	12	8	70	54 46
Reading	...	38	20	13	5	83	72 45
Crystal Palace	...	38	19	12	7	90	80 45
Chelsea	...	38	18	12	8	81	67 44
Charlton Athletic	40	18	17	5	81	70	41
Queens Park Rangers	38	17	15	6	68	57	40
West Ham United	38	17	16	5	90	66	39
Coventry City	38	16	15	7	71	69	39
LUTON TOWN	37	17	16	4	99	89	38
Northampton	38	14	15	9	72	66	37
Millwall	37	15	16	6	56	64	36
Tottenham Hotspur	35	13	13	9	88	75	35
Fulham	37	13	17	7	68	65	33
Clapton O.	38	11	16	11	53	86	33
Leicester City	38	14	21	3	63	86	31
Bournemouth	39	12	20	7	62	91	31
Southend United	38	10	19	9	62	87	29
Watford	38	13	22	3	71	108	29
Southampton	38	10	20	8	50	69	28
Brighton & Hove A.	37	9	21	7	59	99	25
Bristol City	39	9	25	5	54	116	23

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