

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB



LOFTUS ROAD GROUND

SHEPHERDS BUSH. W.12



Action in our match v. West Ham ; February 24th.—Photo by J. L. Lewis

SATURDAY, MARCH 10th, 1951

KICK-OFF 3.15 P.M.

Q.P.R. v. LUTON TOWN

Division II.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 3d

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC CLUB, LTD.

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AT SWANSEA

Although our lads played only like a shadow of the side of the previous week they were still very unfortunate not to have returned from Swansea with both points last Saturday.

The defence played well enough but our forwards seemed out of touch. Possibly the hard ground, bumpy in places, and an over-inflated ball which bounced with gay abandon had something to do with their goal-shyness, but even so, only two almost super-human saves by 17-year-old 'keeper King in the Swansea goal during the last five minutes of the game prevented our winning.

Swansea had a "let-off" early in the game. Ted Duggan went through the middle and almost to the penalty spot but the ball bounced on a bad spot and was deflected just as he shot; instead of connecting properly the ball hit the side of his leg and went for a goal kick.

The Swansea goal came about in a rather curious way. The referee stopped the game and awarded our lads a "free" for a foul on Des. Farrow. Johnny Poppitt placed the ball and our lads had taken up positions around the Swansea penalty area when a linesman's flag was seen waving, the referee consulted this official and to the amazement of our lads the kick was given the other way. It was taken quickly and before our players could get back into position, Reg. Saphin fisted the shot out but it went to the head of a Swansea player who promptly nodded it into the opposite corner of the net.

Our lads went all-out for an equaliser, but a header by Ted. Duggan and a really great shot by Alf. Parkinson, both of which looked certain goals, were, as mentioned earlier, superbly saved.

v. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

The Football Combination side were beaten 4-2 by the young Spurs at Loftus Road last Saturday after having scored first.

Spurs got on terms before the interval and afterwards added a further three before our second was scored. Ernie Adams and Bill Heath were our marksmen.

OUR "A" SIDE

The "A" Team travelled to Littlehampton and defeated the Town side 2-0 after a most enjoyable game, played on a pitch which we would very much like to have at Loftus Road.

Although in these friendly games, our youngsters are usually up against much older and more experienced opposition they always earn high praise for the quality of the football they play. Next Saturday they will again travel to the sea-side, Ramsgate F.C. being their hosts.

THE TEAMS ON DUTY LAST SATURDAY

v. Swansea: Saphin; Poppitt, Ingham; Parkinson, Woodward, Clayton; Waugh, Duggan, Addinall, Farrow, Shepherd.

v. Tottenham Reserves: Underwood; Powell, Stevens; Nicholas, Chapman, Nelson; Wardle, Parsons, Heath, Stewart, Adams.

At Littlehampton: D. Readwin; Woods, Hitch; D. Williams, Powell, A. Jordan; J. Kenny, G. Davies, E. Storer, M. Mason, A. Hill.

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OUR CASUALTY CORNER

Johnnie McKay is making fair progress. Remedial exercise is all that he will be allowed to do in the way of training for a few weeks yet. Billy Muir's injured knee was X-rayed recently; this confirmed the specialist's report that time is the only cure. Eddie Davies commenced light training last Monday. Cyril Hatton was expecting to have a fitness test in the Mid-Week League game at Fulham last Wednesday but these notes went to press before the outcome was known.

ADVANCE BOOKINGS

Centre Stands 5/-, Wing Stands 3/6d. All Numbered and Reserved seats can now be booked for the Easter holiday games v. Southampton and Barnsley.

OUR SPORTING SHAREHOLDERS

"Ranger" commented on his page some time ago that a keen supporter, Mr. F. G. Batchelor, had suggested that Shareholders might wish to authorise Q.P.R. to hand over any net Dividends which may become due to them in the future to Q.P.R. Development Association, to augment the Ground Development Fund. A number of fine sportsmen among the Shareholders either signed the list in the Q.P.R. office or wrote in giving the necessary authority. In addition, some of them handed back their 1950 Dividend Warrants so that the Fund should benefit immediately. One of them also sent a small dividend that he had received from another company! Mr. Batchelor himself capped the lot by not only sending back his dividend, but also an additional remittance to make good the income tax deduction!!

To all who have co-operated, the Trustees of the Development Association say "Thank you very much indeed." The Ground Development Fund benefits and in addition the issue of numerous small Dividend Warrants is avoided, not to mention the saving in stamp duty and postage!

For those who did not have an opportunity of giving the necessary authority, a second list has been started and may be signed by Shareholders at the Q.P.R. office (Ellerslie Road entrance) or alternatively, a brief letter to the Secretary of Q.P.R. is sufficient. Again, many thanks—such practical support will help the Old Club to achieve the ambitions of its faithful followers.

SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

We extend a warm welcome to members of Luton Town Supporters' Club, who, no doubt, will make themselves heard here today. Like ourselves, Luton are one of the older established Supporters' Clubs, and have rendered valuable assistance to the Parent Club over many years. We wish them the best of luck in their efforts for the future.

Dance—Porchester Hall. Our Dance at the Porchester Hall last Saturday once again proved very successful, over 500 supporters and friends enjoying a pleasant evening's dancing. Our grateful thanks to all those who supported this latest effort, including the Ladies' Section, who once again organised raffle and spot prizes. We are indebted also to Miss Cohen, Chairman of the Ladies' Section, for kindly presenting two magnificent ladies' handbags as spot prizes. Our next Dance, by the way, is at the Hammersmith Town Hall on Friday, 6th April. Tickets are 3/6d., and dancing will be to the popular Chris Stone and his Orchestra.

Draw for Cup Final and International Tickets. It had been anticipated that the draw for these tickets would take place at our next Dance at the Hammersmith Town Hall, but in view of the "dancing time" that would have been "lost" it has been decided to hold the draw at St. Stephen's Hall, Ellerslie Road, on a date to be announced later. As has been indicated previously, the Parent Club have allocated 45 CUP FINAL, 45 ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND, and 50 ENGLAND v. ARGENTINE International tickets to the Supporters' Club, making in all a total of 140 tickets to be drawn for, amongst MEMBERS. AND—140 TICKETS WILL GO INTO THE DRUM! OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WILL TAKE THE SAME CHANCE AS ANY OTHER MEMBER OF THE SUPPORTERS' CLUB in drawing a ticket. There will be NO preferential treatment, whatsoever. This, by the way, is NOT the ruling of the Football Club, but a unanimous decision of your own Committee. Fair enough? Righto, then! Watch these Notes for further details. (There is, of course, still time for YOUR name to be included in the above draw, by joining the Supporters' Club NOW. Make the effort TODAY—and be sure of participating.)

Amateur Cup Final Tickets. We have a very limited number of these available for Members. Please contact the Gen. Secretary, Mr. (Bill) Clow. Tickets available are 2/- and 5/-.

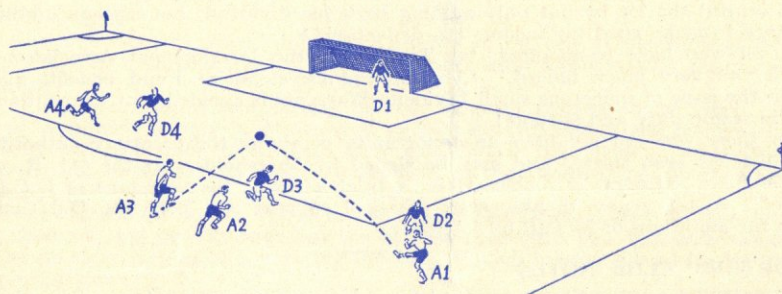
KNOW THE F.A. LAWS

and enjoy the game better.

No. 18. THE OFFSIDE LAW (continued)

This week we give two more diagrams appertaining to the Offside Law. In the first diagram the right winger A1 has taken the ball down the wing when he is tackled by the left full-back D2. Unable to slip the ball round D2, A1 makes a cross pass at a forward angle and forward A3 runs up and scores.

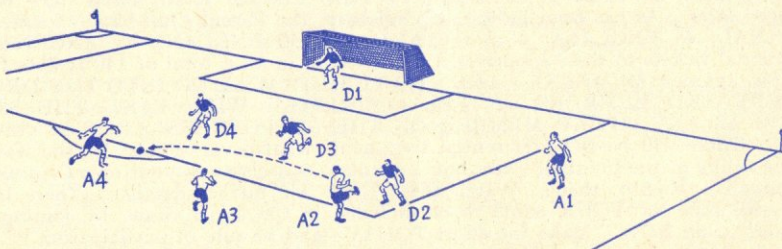
Forward A3 is not offside because at the moment A1 played the ball A3 was behind the ball and also had two opponents between himself and the goal-line.



In the diagram below, forwards A1 and A2 have made a passing run up the wing, and A2 is confronted by the left full-back D2 and is unable to pass the ball back to forward A1; instead he slips a quick square pass to forward A4.

Although forward A1 is standing in an " offside position " he should not be penalised because he is not interfering with play and is not obstructing.

To receive the benefit of this decision, however, forward A1 must not make any pretence of taking part in the play or the referee would instantly give him " offside."



OUR NEXT ISSUE WILL CONTAIN MORE DIAGRAMS OF THE OFFSIDE LAW
Save this page of your programme and give it to a member of a junior team.

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS

(Royal Blue and White)

SAPHIN

Goal

2

POPPITT

Right Back

3

INGHAM

Left Back

4

PARKINSON

Right Half

5

WOODWARD

Centre Half

6

CLAYTON

Left Half

7

WAUGH

Outside Right

8

DUGGAN

Inside Right

9

ADDINALL

Centre Forward

10

FARROW

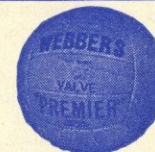
Inside Left

11

SHEPHERD

Outside Left

Referee :
A. C. WILLIAMS
(Brighton)



Linesmen :
C. W. EASTBROOK (Red Flag)
A. C. F. GISBORNE (Yellow Flag)

11	SHANKS	10	DAVIE	9	MOORE	8	WATKINS	7	STOBBART
	Outside Left		Inside Left		Centre Forward		Inside Right		Outside Right
6	McAULEY	5	OWEN	4	MORTON				
	Left Half		Centre Half		Right Half				
3	AHERNE	2	COOKE						
	Left Back		Right Back						
Goal									
STRETEN									

LUTON TOWN

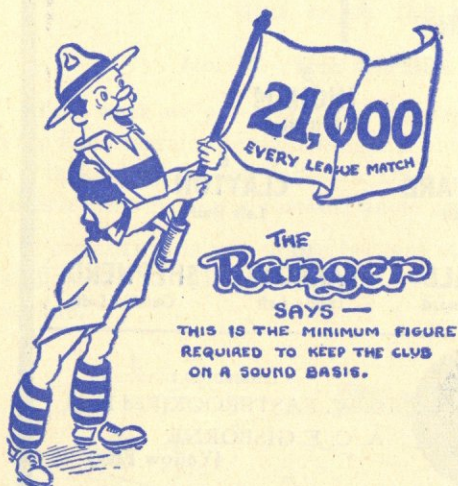
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HALF - TIME SCORES

A	Birm'gham v. Blackpool		G	Coventry v. Hull C.	
B	Newcastle v. Wolves		H	Grimsby v. Blackburn	
C	Arsenal v. Aston Villa		J	Leicester v. West Ham	
D	Bury v. Sheffield U.		K	Manch. C. v. Swansea	
E	Cardiff v. Doncaster		L	Notts C. v. S'thampton	
F	Chesterfield v. Leeds		M	Preston N.E. v. Barnsley	

Behind the Scenes

DON'T FORGET THE RESERVES!



By "Ranger"

As these notes only appear in first team programmes the accent has usually been on the activities of the premier side. We mustn't, however, forget the Combination team, and this week I want to draw your attention to their fine run in the recently concluded Combination League.

Although already engaged in Combination Cup matches the Reserves had an outstanding League fixture to complete and played it last week, beating Reading Reserves 3-1. They thus finished their League engagements with a run of three wins in the last four matches, and at the end were fourth in the table—a very creditable performance. Of the 30 matches they won 13, lost 11 and drew 6, scoring 55 goals and conceding 53 for 30 points. Four of the defeats were sustained only by the odd goal (three of them over the vital Christmas games when the calls of the injury-affected First team left the Reserves

severely weakened; it was those three defeats that probably cost them a chance of having a tilt at the Combination League championship). Their heaviest defeat was 6-0 away to Arsenal and their best win a 7-3 victory over Luton Reserves here in September last. And if the First team like to take that as a hint for today's game they're welcome!

Many Changes

It is no easy task to look after a Combination side, and I should say it requires first a man with a philosophical turn of mind. His team is largely made up of men who are not quite good enough perhaps for the first eleven, and he also has to cope with men who have struck a bad patch (as all footballers do at some time or the other) in the League side and are given games in the Combination team until they return to form. Some of them probably don't like the idea at all, and if they're temperamental need careful handling. There is also usually a greater crop of injuries. The game is more robust (though, many fans will argue, no less skilful), and players who have had a long lay-off through injury are usually given their match-fitness trials in this side.

And the most heart-breaking thing about it all is that no sooner do you get players beginning to show superlative form and the team working well together than the manager comes along and says, "Well, I see so-and-so and one or two others are playing in top form these days, we must put them in the League side"—and busts up the whole beautiful arrangement.

Pat on the Back

Ted Reay, the reserve team trainer, who earns the biggest pat on the back for his side's success, can point out plenty of cases. I was with Ted and first team trainer Alec Farmer a few weeks back when they were having a friendly argument about the respective merits of the teams. Ted was willing to back a Combination team to beat the Second Division side any day. Alec willingly took him up but got a shock when Ted named his side. It consisted of nearly every player then playing in the League games—they had all either been "promoted" from the Combination team or had been in it for a spell to regain their form!

Ted proudly points out that Tony Ingham, Lewis Clayton and Johnny Poppitt won their spurs with the reserves. He names Reg Saphin, Horace Woodward, Alf Parkinson, Billy Waugh and Ted Duggan (who scored 12 goals in 20 appearances) among others who have regained their places in the League side as a result of their outstanding play in the Combination side. He is ready to commiserate with anyone who has struck a bad patch and quite rightly shares their satisfaction at the ultimate return to form.

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FIXTURES 1950 - 51

LEAGUE, DIVISION II					FOOTBALL COMBINATION				
Date.	Opponents.	Ground.	Result For	Ag't.	Date.	Opponents.	Ground.	Result For	Ag't.
1950					1950				
Aug. 19	CHESTERFIELD	HOME	1	1	Aug. 19	Leicester City	Away	1	1
" 24	NOTTS COUNTY	HOME	1	0	" 22	Southend United	Away	1	3
" 26	Leicester City	Away	2	6	" 26	COVENTRY CITY	HOME	1	2
" 31	Notts County	Away	3	3	" 30	Arsenal	Away	0	6
Sept. 2	MANCHESTER C.	HOME	1	2	Sept. 2	Leyton Orient	Away	1	1
" 6	Bury	Away	1	0	" 7	BIRMINGHAM C.	HOME	2	1
" 9	Coventry City	Away	0	3	" 9	CARDIFF CITY	HOME	1	1
" 14	Galata-Saray (Turkey)	HOME	4	1	" 14	NORTHAMPTON	HOME	1	3
" 16	CARDIFF CITY	HOME	3	2	" 16	Fulham	Away	1	0
" 23	Birmingham City	Away	1	1	" 21	LUTON TOWN	HOME	7	3
" 30	GRIMSBY TOWN	HOME	7	1	" 23	BRISTOL ROVERS	HOME	1	1
Oct. 7	West Ham Utd.	Away	1	4	" 28	Millwall	Away	3	1
" 14	SWANSEA TOWN	HOME	1	1	" 30	Crystal Palace	Away	0	2
" 21	Luton Town	Away	0	2	Oct. 5	SOUTHEND UTD.	HOME	3	5
" 28	LEEDS UNITED	HOME	3	0	" 7	Reading	Away	1	0
Nov. 4	Barnsley	Away	0	7	" 14	Northampton Town	Away	0	2
" 11	SHEFFIELD UTD.	HOME	2	1	" 21	SWANSEA TOWN	HOME	1	3
" 18	Hull City	Away	1	5	Nov. 4	FULHAM	HOME	3	1
" 25	(1) DONCASTER R.	HOME	1	2	" 11	Bristol Rovers	Away	4	3
Dec. 2	Brentford	Away	1	2	" 18	CRYSTAL PALACE	HOME	3	0
" 9	(2) BLACKBURN R.	HOME	3	1	" 25	Swansea Town	Away	2	2
" 16	Chesterfield	Away	1	3	Dec. 2	MILLWALL	HOME	2	0
" 23	LEICESTER CITY	HOME	3	0	" 16	ARSENAL	HOME	3	4
" 26	PRESTON N. E.	HOME	1	4	" 23	Birmingham City	Away	1	2
" 28	Preston N. E.	Away	0	1	" 26	Coventry City	Away	0	1
" 30	Manchester C.	Away	-	-	" 26	LEICESTER CITY	HOME	2	0
1951					" 30	LEYTON ORIENT	HOME	3	3
Jan. 6	(3) MILLWALL Cup	HOME	3	4	1951				
" 13	COVENTRY CITY	HOME	3	1	Jan. 13	Cardiff City	Away	2	0
" 20	Cardiff City	Away	2	4	" 20	Luton Town	Away	3	1
" 27	BRENTFORD	HOME	1	1	Mar. 1	READING	HOME	3	1
Feb. 3	BIRMINGHAM C.	HOME	2	0					
" 10	(5)								
" 17	Grimsby Town	Away	2	2					
" 24	(6) WEST HAM U.	HOME	3	3					
March 3	Swansea Town	Away	0	1					
" 10	LUTON TOWN	HOME							
" 17	Leeds United	Away							
" 23	SOUTHAMPTON	HOME							
" 24	BARNSELEY	HOME							
" 26	Southampton	Away							
" 31	Sheffield United	Away							
April 7	HULL CITY	HOME							
" 14	Doncaster Rovers	Away							
" 21									
" 28	Blackburn Rovers	Away							
May 5	BURY	HOME							

LEAGUE, DIVISION II. Up to Saturday, March 3rd (inclusive)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Preston	22	10	4	6	67	35	44
Blackburn	32	17	6	9	55	46	40
Cardiff	31	13	12	6	45	33	38
Man. City	30	15	9	7	62	47	37
Birmingham	32	15	6	11	50	44	36
Coventry	32	15	5	12	60	44	35
Leeds	31	14	6	11	49	45	34
Doncaster	31	11	11	9	48	53	33
Leicester	31	11	10	10	51	41	32
Sheffield Utd.	30	12	8	10	53	45	32
Notts County	31	12	8	11	50	43	32
Hull	31	11	10	10	54	51	32
West Ham	31	12	8	11	54	55	32
Southampton	31	12	8	11	46	54	32
Brentford	33	12	7	14	51	61	31
Barnsley	31	11	7	13	57	45	29
O.P. Rangers	31	10	7	14	51	64	27
Swansea	31	11	2	18	38	60	24
Bury	32	9	5	18	45	65	23
Chesterfield	32	6	10	16	32	50	22
Grimsby	31	6	10	15	51	74	22
Luton	31	5	11	15	35	49	21

THE FOOTBALL COMBINATION CUP

Up to and including March 3rd, 1951

Section 1	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tottenham H.	5	4	0	1	16	7	8
Crystal Palace	5	2	1	2	7	8	5
Arsenal	2	2	0	0	6	0	4
Southend United	3	1	1	1	5	6	3
Brighton & Hove	4	1	1	2	1	5	3
Chelsea	2	1	0	1	3	2	2
Brentford	3	1	0	2	4	6	2
Queens Park R.	4	0	1	3	4	12	1

Here Next Saturday—BRIGHTON (Combination Cup) 3.15 p.m.

QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS OFFICIAL FOOTBALL PROGRAMME

The Regulars

We mustn't, however, forget the "regulars"—those who serve the club loyally and well with the Combination side through most of its games. Billy Muir, for instance, who played in 22 matches (excluding cup games) and scored 10 goals. George Stewart (who, they tell me, may get married shortly) with 21 games, and the youngsters like Bobby Cameron (19 games) and Brian Nicholas (18). They, and others like them of the 28 men who have appeared in the side during its Combination matches and are not often seen in the First team, are by their consistent form the backbone of the team. So consistent are some of them in fact that, for example, everyone was more than slightly amazed to see young Brian miss scoring from a penalty for the first time last week. Nothing more improbable could have been imagined!

They have done well—they deserve your support. What about giving them a cheer at their next home match?

Notes and News

Congratulations to Lewis Clayton, who was married last Thursday week to a girl from Barnsley, his home town. Lewis spent his honeymoon in London so that he could travel with the team to Swansea on Friday. There's enthusiasm for you.

I saw young Johnny McKay busy exercising his leg (minus cartilage) with an ingenious arrangement of pulleys and weights in the dressing room on Friday. After three weeks in hospital Johnny is making a steady recovery and hopes to be in training soon.

Two players recommended by our ex-centre-forward Fred Durrant were signed on amateur forms recently. They are George Crickson, a former England Youth XI player, and Jimmy Watts, a left-winger. Both played for Dover F.C.—the club Fred is now managing.

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