

# Wrexham Association Football Club Ltd.



Official  
Programme

6D.

MONDAY, 23rd AUGUST 1965.

KICK-OFF 7.15 p.m.

## Wrexham v Luton Town

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### EDITORIAL.

The Board of Directors of the Wrexham Football Club welcome you to the first home match of the 1965/66 Season.

At the commencement of the season there is considerable controversy concerning the decision taken at the Annual General Meeting of the Football League to allow substitutes for injured players during League Matches. This is an experiment for this season only and it will be very interesting to see how it works out in practice.

The 1965/66 season has been extended until the end of May and this should assist Clubs in re-arranging postponed fixtures. This will, however, give groundsmen a problem as there will be less time in which to prepare grounds for the following season.

At Wrexham the close season has been a very quiet one. You will be aware that, for financial reasons, it has been necessary to reduce the number of our professional playing-staff and to concentrate on a youth policy. Supporters are requested to give the team every encouragement — your vocal support means a great deal.

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### SOCcer QUIZ.

1. As you are all probably aware the World Cup games will be played in England in 1966, but do you know on which eight grounds the matches will take place?
2. Can you name the four teams who were Champions in their respective Divisions in The Football League last season?
3. What Clubs finished bottom of the League in their respective Divisions in The Football League?
4. Who was the leading goalscorer in the four Divisions of the Football League during the 1964/65 season — league matches only.
5. Which Club has won the First Division Championship on the greatest number of occasions.
6. Who has won the F.A. Cup on most occasions and do you know how many.

VOUCHER No. 1

### SECRETARY'S NOTES.

This evening we commence our home programme in the Football League for Season 1965/66, and to our visitors from Luton we extend a very warm welcome to the first of their two trips to Wales. Last season Luton operated in the 3rd Division and I feel sure they are hoping to make a speedy return to the higher Division.

I would also like to welcome you, the supporters of the Club, to the first League match of the season. It is sincerely hoped that we may have a satisfactory season in every way, and I appeal to you to come along to the games — not only the first team matches — but to the reserve as well and give us your vocal support throughout the season. This can be a vital factor in the success or failure of our team, and it is up to you to see that the players are encouraged in every way possible.

Have you taken a season ticket out yet? If not, why not? Stand season tickets can be obtained for the Grand Stand and Plas Coch Stand at £6/0/0d. each (less 10% to shareholders) and at £4/10/0d. (nett) to old age pensioners. In addition my Directors have introduced ground season tickets again at £3/10/0d. each. Please avail yourselves of these tickets if you possibly can.

The first exciting happening in the 1965/66 season is that we have been drawn to play CHESTER at home in the 1st Round of The Football League Cup. This match has been arranged to take place **on Wednesday, 1st September 1965 — kick-off 7.15 p.m.** Make a note of this date.

On December 1st 1965 our ground has been chosen as the venue for the **Wales v. Denmark** World Cup Qualifying game, and details of this most attractive fixture will be given at a later date.

During the close season a number of staunch supporters of the Club have passed away, and it would be remiss of me not to mention the following names:—Alderman Glyn Jones (a Member of The Football Association of Wales and one time Treasurer of our own Supporters' Association); Mr. Tom Riley (Registrar of the Supporters' Association and also in charge of the Programme Section); and Mr. Tommy James Matthias (one of the old school who will be remembered by many for his many sterling games for Wrexham).

Finally, may you have an enjoyable season's entertainment, and if things do not always run as smoothly as you would desire please do not stay away from matches feeling that by doing so you will force the Club to make new signings. Money is a vital factor in this respect and only by the turnstiles clicking merrily can we hope to achieve anything worthwhile at the Racecourse.

## PEN PICTURES OF THE LUTON TOWN TEAM.

**COLIN TINSLEY**—Born at Middlesbrough, his first Club being Grimsby Town, then on to Exeter City before joining Luton in August 1963. He made regular appearances in the first team last season.

**BOBBY THOMSON**—Born at Menstrie in Scotland. He first came into prominence with Partick Thistle, and was later transferred to Liverpool for a large fee. Luton secured his services from the latter Club on 2nd August 1965.

**FREDDY JARDINE** — Born in Edinburgh. Played for Dundee for two seasons before coming to Luton at the end of season 1960/61. He came as an outside left, but was successfully converted to a full back.

**JIMMY GIBSON**—He was born at Belfast, his first English Club being Newcastle United. Then after a spell with Cambridge United, he was transferred to Luton on February 2nd 1965, when he won and retained a first team place for the remainder of the season.

**MATT WOODS**—A native of Skelmersdale, Lancs. His first Club was Blackburn Rovers for whom he made 126 out of a possible 128 appearances, including a Cup Final, before going to Australia in 1963. Upon his return to this country, Luton secured his services.

**JOHN MOORE**—A newcomer to Luton, having been signed from Motherwell in May 1965. He was recommended to Luton by their Scottish Representative who forecasts a bright future for him in English football.

**BILLY HARBER**—Joined Luton from Swindon on a free transfer in September 1964, where he played at inside forward. Made his debut for Luton as a winger, and towards the end of last season held this position.

**TOMMY McKECHNIE** — Born at Glasgow and came here direct from Rob Roy (Scotland) at the end of season 1960/61.

**JOHN O'ROURKE** — Was previously with Arsenal and Chelsea, from whom Luton signed him on a free transfer in December 1964. He immediately made his mark at Luton and scored 22 goals in 23 League appearances for them. Last season he was dogged by injuries.

**JOHN REID**—Previously played for Bradford and Northampton to whom Luton Town paid a substantial transfer fee in November 1963. He has settled down well at Luton and is a tireless and energetic worker.

**RAY WHITTAKER**—A Londoner from Bow, his only other Club being Arsenal. He gained England Youth International Honours in 1962 and 1963, and when Luton were in need of a left winger he was persuaded to join them in March 1964.

## SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION NOTES

(by J. H. Williams, President).

Writing these notes well before the Barrow match, put one in a difficulty. I can only hope the gloomy forecasts of so many supporters will have proved unfounded. With the urgent need for economy well in mind, the playing staff has had to be drastically reduced. This being so, real supporters of the Club will recognise that a somewhat trying season is before us. We must therefore hope for the best, and let's face it, with loyal support from the fans, and even more important, complete harmony in the boardroom, and the dressing room, I am supremely confident that Wrexham Football Club can turn the corner towards happier days.

It is of paramount importance that nothing must stand in the way of Wrexham F.C. retaining its League status. All sorts of criticism there has been, and lots more may come yet, but the essential thing for everyone is to put the Club first and foremost.

The Supporters' Association will loyally play its part, and it will encourage us, if as many supporters as possible will join the Association tonight. It costs ONE SHILLING ONLY. It entitles you to take part in any of our activities, which are many and varied. In any case, the Group Personal Accident Insurance which the membership covers is well worth the entrance fee.

We are hoping to obtain a new badge for members and future notes will indicate when they will be available.

More Agents are required for our Pool. Anyone interested should contact the Promoter, Mr. Les. Blackwell, 55 First Avenue, Gwersyllt (Tel. Brymbo 580).

News concerning the Junior Section should soon be available. Watch these notes for announcements.

A serious blow has befallen the Supporters' Association in the passing of Mr. Tom Riley, who so faithfully dedicated himself to the production of the Official Programme.



## WREXHAM A.F.C. SUPPORTERS' ASSOCIATION NOTES.

Are you a member of the Supporters' Association? If not, why not join today.

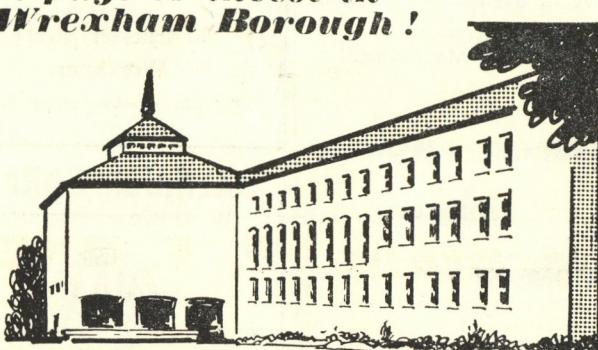
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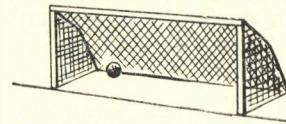
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## QUIZ ANSWERS.

1. Wembley Stadium, London ; White City Stadium, London ; Ayresome Park, Middlesbrough ; Roker Park, Sunderland ; Goodison Park, Liverpool ; Old Trafford, Manchester ; Hillsborough, Sheffield ; Villa Park Birmingham.
2. Division 1—Manchester Utd. ; Division 2—Newcastle Utd. ; Division 3—Carlisle Utd. ; Division 4—Brighton & Hove.
3. Division 1—Birmingham City ; Division 2—Swansea Town ; Division 3—Barnsley ; Division 4—Stockport County.
4. Alick Jeffrey of Doncaster Rovers with 36.
5. Arsenal — 7 times.
6. Aston Villa — 7 times.

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## PLAYERS' PORTRAITS—No. 1.

## KEITH WEBBER.

Keith James Webber was born on the fifth January, 1943 at Cardiff. He has two brothers — Malcolm (24) a goalkeeper of no mean ability who has been offered trials with Cardiff City, Plymouth Argyle and Swansea Town, and Alan (19). Whilst Malcolm lacks confidence to try his hand at football Alan is not interested in the game.

Keith attended Gladstone Junior School from the age of four, and at eleven he entered Cathays Grammar School where he was a pupil until—at the age of seventeen—he joined Everton Football Club as a professional. Whilst at school he matriculated in the following subjects :—English Language, Economics, Economic History, Book-keeping and Art. He actually preferred rugger to soccer whilst at school, and he took part in a final Welsh Schools rugby trial.

He stayed at Everton for four seasons making six League appearances and ten appearances in all, including League Cup, League and Friendlies. He was transferred to Brighton and Hove Albion where he spent only one season before moving to Wrexham. Keith's greatest thrill to date was when he played for Everton against Liverpool in the Liverpool Senior Cup Final before 54,000 spectators.

Keith is married to a Liverpool girl—Barbara—and they have one daughter—Janine who is one and a half years old. There could be another happy occasion shortly.

His ambition is to play for Wales, but in the meantime he hopes to give as much service to Wrexham as he possibly can.

Hobbies include golf, cricket, motoring, and in fact most ball games.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Programme holders will notice a Voucher Number on every Programme this season. This afternoon's is No. 1. These Vouchers should be saved for claiming a ticket for **any Club game** at the Racecourse this season where it is all-ticket.

As we have been drawn at home to **CHESTER** in the 1st Round of the Football League Cup on **Wednesday, September 1st**, our home Cheshire League fixture with **STAFFORD RANGERS** on that day has had to be re-arranged. We will let you know the date as soon as possible.

## DO YOU KNOW OUR PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS ?

Name	Position	Birthplace	Previous Club
David Campbell	O.L.	Wrexham	Junior
Wynn Edward Dicken	G.	Colwyn Bay	Burnley
Stephen Fleet	G.	Salford	Manchester City
Aron Trevor Griffiths	I.R.	Wrexham	Arsenal
Kenneth Griffiths	R.B.	Llal	Chester
Eric Reginald Holland	R.B.	Sutton-in-Ashfield	Man. Utd.
Eric Johnson	L.H.	Birkenhead	Junior
Ernest Peter Jones	R.H.	Salford	Manchester United
Haydn Jones	R.B.	Caernarvon	Caernarvon Town
Martyn Noel Geoffrey King	C.F.	Birmingham	Colchester United
Dennis James Lambourne	C.F.	Swansea	Llanelli
Alec Leroy Lucas	L.B.	Bradley	Junior
Samuel McMillan	I.L.	Belfast	Manchester United
Raymond Mielczarek	C.H.	Caernarvon	Caernarvon Town
Donald Arthur Parrish	C.F.	Bilston	Junior
David Powell	R.H.	Dolgarrog	Junior
John Smith	R.H.	Johnstown	Junior
Graham John Turner	C.H.	Ellesmere Port	Junior
Keith James Webber	C.F.	Cardiff	Brighton & Hove

## WHERE HAVE THEY GONE ?

		Club.
Clive Colbridge	O.L.	Altrincham
Albert Dunlop	G.	_____
Francis Richard Gilmore	R.H.	Portmadoc
Alfred Henesy	C.F.	Southport
Terence Stephen Morrall	C.H.	Rhyl
Joseph McClelland	L.B.	Wellington Town
Graham George Williams	O.L.	Witton Albion
Alan Jones	I.R.	Hartlepools United
Ernest Rixon Phythian	C.F.	_____
Aloysius McGowan	L.B.	_____

## MATCH BALL

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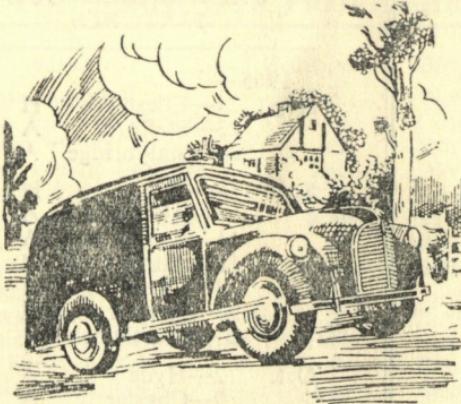
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## FOURTH DIVISION FIXTURES

1965—		
Aug.	21—Barrow	A
	23—Luton	H
	28—Hartlepools	H
Sept.	1—Chester	H
	4—Doncaster	A
	6—Chesterfield	A
	11—Southport	H
	16—Luton	A
	18—Chester	A
	25—Bradford	A
	29—Tranmere	H
Oct.	2—Aldershot	H
	9—Lincoln	H
	16—Darlington	A
	18—Chesterfield	H
	23—Stockport	H
	29—Tranmere	A
Nov.	6—Colchester	H
	13—(1)	
	20—Bradford C.	H
	27—Crewe	A
Dec.	4—(2)	
	10—Halifax	A
	18—Darlington	H
	27—Rochdale	A
	28—Rochdale	H
1966—		
Jan.	1—Lincoln	A
	8—Barnsley	H
	14—Stockport	A
	22—(3)	
	29—Barrow	H
Feb.	5—Hartlepools	A
	12—(4) Torquay	A
	19—Doncaster	H
	26—Southport	A
Mar.	5—(5) Torquay	H
	12—Chester	H
	19—Bradford	H
	26—Aldershot	A
Apr.	2—Colchester	A
	8—Notts C.	H
	9—Port Vale	H
	11—Notts C.	A
	16—Bradford C.	A
	23—Crewe	H
	25—Newport	H
	30—Port Vale	A
May	7—Halifax	H
	14—(FINAL)	
	16—Newport	A
	20—Barnsley	A

## CHESHIRE LEAGUE FIXTURES

1965—		
Aug.	21—Ellesmere P.	H
	23—Stafford	A
	28—Stalybridge	A
Sept.	4—Wigan	H
	6—Altrincham	A
	11—Bangor (C'p)	A
	15—Altrincham	H
	18—Chester	H
	25—Runcorn	H
	27—Northwich	H
Oct.	2—Hyde	A
	9—Chester	A
	16—N. Brighton	H
	23—Frickley	A
	30—Witton	H
Nov.	6—Winsford	A
	13—Oswestry	H
	20—Tranmere	A
Dec.	4—Stockport	A
	11—Stalybridge	H
	18—Northwich	A
	27—Bangor	H
	28—Bangor	A
1966—		
Jan.	1—Mossley	H
	8—Macclesfield	A
	15—Tranmere	H
	22—Wigan	A
	29—Ellesmere P.	A
Feb.	5—Buxton	H
	12—Hyde	H
	19—Oswestry	A
	26—Rhyl	H
Mar.	5—Buxton	A
	12—Runcorn	A
	19—Rhyl	A
	26—Macclesfield	H
Apr.	2—Frickley	H
	8—N. Brighton	A
	9—Mossley	A
	11—Stockport	H
	16—Winsford	H
	23—Witton	A
To be arranged—		
	Stafford	H



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