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*FOOTBALL LEAGUE
DIVISION TWO*

Tuesday 8 March 1977

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HARRY'S



encouragement I can promise you that the lads will play their hearts out to try to give Luton the standard of football you deserve.

The Second Division is developing into a tight race at the top, and I wouldn't like to forecast which three teams will go up, let alone who will be champions.

I've read in various places that Chelsea will win it, that Bolton are certs to go up, that Wolves are too good for the Second Division, and so on. I'll tell you this much: there aren't any certs in football. There are still anything up to ten teams in the division who have the right to believe that they can get promotion this season.

Obviously I am confident that Luton Town will have a big say in it, but I fancy the promotion issue won't be settled until the last few games of the season — perhaps not until our last home game when we entertain Bolton Wanderers.

There's still a long way to go yet for all of us. We'll keep trying and keep smiling and if the lads keep playing as well as they can we'll be back where we all want to be — in the best league division in the world.

TONIGHT'S game with Oldham comes in the middle of one of the most important months of the season for us. We always want to win games, but the players and I all realise how important it is to get maximum points from the run of home matches that the fixture list has provided for us in March.

I have had to write this before Saturday's game against Wolves. We were well keyed up for that because of its importance to both clubs, and I only hope that tonight you see us pull out all the stops to beat Oldham.

Home advantage always makes a difference to teams, and so long as you stay with us and keep giving us

TOWN

WELCOME

Oldham Athletic

CHRIS OGDEN (Goalkeeper): Signed professional in July 1971 after progressing through the junior ranks. He was voted player of the year in the 1974/75 season. Shared his team spot last season with John Pratt, he is following in his father's footsteps, his father being the Oldham goalkeeper in the early fifties.

JOHN PLATT (Goalkeeper): Ashton born, aged 22 years, shared the first team spot with Chris Ogden. Signed as a boy from Ashton United. Another young player of great promise.

IAN WOOD (Full-back): 27 years old, signed from Radcliffe FC 10 years ago and considered an outstanding capture. One of the most consistent players for Oldham over the last six years, where he has now made the right back position his own.

MAURICE WHITTLE (Full-back): Signed from Blackburn Rovers as a wing-half in May 1969 and successfully converted to full back and has made the position his own. One of the most lethal left foos in the game, also Oldham's penalty king having not missed from the spot in three seasons.

IAN ROBINS (Striker): Born Bury and aged 24, he is now an established first team player after serving his apprenticeship at Boundary Park. Strong, clever with a good shot. A player who is capable of doing a first class job in many positions.

ALAN GROVES (Winger): Signed from Bournemouth three seasons ago for a fee of £10,000. Was previously with Shrewsbury and Southport. A very agile and efficient player and one of the most exciting, skillful players in the Second Division.

KEITH HICKS (Centre back): Another local boy who came through the junior ranks. Aged 22 and is an established first team player. He gained youth international honours in 1972. A great future is predicted for this boy.

PAUL EDWARDS (Centre back): Ex Manchester United and England under-23 international signed by Athletic after a loan period for £12,000. Strong and commanding at the back with a flair for notching goals.

RON BLAIR (Midfield): Signed for Oldham from Coleraine as a boy, then left the club to join Rochdale. He came back to Oldham three seasons ago. He is at present an Irish international. A utility player with great determination.

GRAHAM BELL (Midfield): Another Oldham produced player whose father also played for Oldham for many years. Signed professional forms three seasons ago. One of the most exciting midfield players in the Second Division and a player who should go a long way in the game.

JIM BRANAGAN (Defender): Another young player produced by Oldham. He also is following in his father's footsteps. A strong and uncompromising defender who has the hard job of displacing Ian Wood, but will no doubt burst into the first team as a regular member.

DAVID HOLT (Centre back): Signed from Bury for £22,000 in November 1974. One of the best, young central defenders about and at 23 years of age, a bargain buy for Oldham.

LES CHAPMAN (Midfield): Signed from Huddersfield as part of the exchange deal involving Colin Garwood. Began his career as a winger, now a tireless midfield player at the age of 27.

ALAN YOUNG (Striker): Aged 20, represented Scotland three seasons ago at schoolboy level before joining Oldham. This tall, clever striker has quickly established himself as Oldham's centre forward.

DAVID SHAW (Striker): Aged 28, in his second spell with Oldham, having previously been with Huddersfield Town. Left Oldham to join WBA for a club-record transfer fee of £80,000. Re-joined Oldham from WBA on a free transfer in the middle of 1975/76 season. One of the quickest strikers in the game.

VIC HALOM (Striker): Aged 27, signed from Sunderland in the close season for £25,000. Played for Sunderland in the FA Cup Final where he scored in every round except the Final. An exciting signing for Oldham, who should score many goals.

DAVID IRVING (Striker): Aged 24, started his career with Workington Town and then moved to Everton for £40,000 where he gained first team outings before joining Oldham this close season. A very good player to join the Oldham 'pool'.

JOHN HURST (Midfield): Started straight from school to Everton where he was a consistent member of the Everton first team. Also had 12 England under-23 international caps and was also with the England first team squad on many occasions but did not play for his full cap. Another exciting close season signing by Oldham, whose experience should make Oldham into a formidable side.

JOE CARROLL (Striker): Aged 19 years, signed from Radcliffe schools three years ago. A player of great skill and promise who should make many first team appearances for Oldham.

CARL VALENTINE (Winger): Signed from Manchester schools. An outside left with great speed, skill and courage. It is his first full year as a professional, which should also see him mature as a player to challenge Alan Groves for his first team place.



BACK ROW (left to right): John Hurst, David Shaw, Chris Ogden, David Holt, John Platt, Ron Blair, David Irving.
MIDDLE ROW (left to right): Jimmy Frizzell (Manager), Bob Jay (Physio), John Dungworth, Jim Branagan, Paul Edwards, Alan Young, Vic Halom, Keith Hicks, Alan Groves, Andy Lochhead (Coach)
FRONT ROW (left to right): Joe Carroll, Maurice Whittle, Les Chapman, Ian Robins, Graham Bell, Ian Wood, Carl Valentine.
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Many thanks...

Have you ever thought, when the teams come on to the field prior to a match the work involved in getting the teams looking smart.

We at Luton are indebted to Renee McNamara who comes in most afternoons to do this menial task, especially after the wet weather we have been having.

We have received a number of letters on the formation of a programme collectors club.

All persons interested will be notified of a meeting to take place at the ground in the near future.

It is with deep regret that we report the death of Jimmy Gray, who passed away on Saturday 26th February.

Jimmy has been connected with the Club for over 20 years, mainly as a gateman and, more recently, on the Official Entrance at the top of Kenilworth Road.

All Our Yesterdays

A look back at LUTON TOWN a decade ago.

By BRIAN SWAIN, Sports Editor, Luton News

AFTER A long grim winter, the first hint of a spring revival came to Kenilworth Road ten years ago this week. Town supporters had suffered the depths of despair as the team slumped to the re-election zone in Division Four but the long-awaited turning point came on March 4, 1967.

It was all the more welcome in view of the events of the previous seven days. At Kenilworth Road on the Saturday before promotion hopefuls Southport, managed by Billy Bingham, came to Luton and packed their defence for 90 minutes to collect a 0-0 draw. It was boring stuff for the 6,903 supporters who turned up, and their humour was not helped by the way Luton controlled 90 per cent of the game without having enough flair to break through a blanket defence. Derek Kevan had a poor game

and manager Allan Brown had a shake-up as a result of the disappointing performance.

So when the Town went to meet Notts County at Nottingham on March 4 1967, the team was vastly re-shaped. David Pleat and Tony Read were dropped, and Bruce Rioch was missing with a leg injury.

On top of that the manager announced that he was going to persevere with a 4-3-3 system, which was still something of a novelty to a generation brought up to think of a team as a goalkeeper, two full-backs, three half-backs and five forwards.

At the time it all looked very strange, with defender John Moore wearing a number nine shirt and winger Ray Whittaker pulled back into midfield. Notts County were no great side, but the Town were given little chance against them.

Luton had gone through 24 away games since their last away victory, at Barrow the previous April, and County

duly took the lead after 33 minutes when on-loan goalkeeper Swan missed a corner and Harkin scored.

A lot of supporters found it difficult to watch a Luton team with only one winger, Graham French, but the formation showed its flexibility when the Town snatched an equaliser they just about deserved 14 minutes from time. John Moore and Max Dougan organised a quick break, Moore back-heeled the ball to Dougan and the centre-half's shot was helped into the net for an own goal by County full-back Beresford.

And four minutes from time the Town at last achieved their first away win of the season when Gerry King scored from a long free kick by Dougan. The referee on that auspicious occasion, incidentally, was Jack Taylor of Wolverhampton.

We didn't know it at the time, but the Notts County victory was to be a turning point in a Town story which was to go on to even greater success in the following season.

Junior Hatters

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THIS CLUB?

To join young supporters 13 years of age and under should send in to the club: THEIR NAME, ADDRESS, DATE OF BIRTH, NAME OF THEIR FAVOURITE PLAYER and a 40p POSTAL ORDER.

Members will receive a membership card, an autographed photograph of their favourite player on their birthday and it will also entitle them to take part in competitions set in the programme.

It also allows them to sit in the Bobbers Wing Stand for 50p. These tickets must be purchased from the ticket office in Kenilworth Road.

Congratulations....

MANY HAPPY RETURNS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Graham Everitt (10th March), Stephen Ireland (13th March).

Competition...

The result of the last competition and the next set of questions will be in the Plymouth Argyle programme on Saturday 12th March.

Membership cards...

IF YOU HAVE NOT COLLECTED YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS, THEY ARE AVAILABLE NOW IN THE SOUVENIR SHOP OR FROM THE TICKET OFFICE DURING THE WEEK.

More congratulations

May we wish MANY HAPPY RETURNS of the day to the following players who are celebrating their birthdays this month:—

JOHN FAULKNER (10th March — PAUL PRICE (23rd March) — RICKY HILL (27th March).

Card winners...

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES OF THE SEASONAL QUAD CARDS WINNERS:—

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Today's MASCOT is GLENN BRACEY, 6 Garrad Way, Wheathampstead. Glenn is 12 years old and attends the Nicholas Breakspere School, St Albans. He plays for Harpenden Colts and his favourite player is Paul Futcher.

ACTION

IT'S NOT much fun being a goalkeeper when John Aston sets himself for a crack at the target. Take the case of Fulham's Gerry Peyton who must have thought he had done everything right after palming out a hot-shot from Paul Price at Craven Cottage.

TOP RIGHT: This gives you some idea of the way Aston carefully beat all the goalkeeper's plans. Peyton managed to spread his arms and legs in the approved fashion, and had narrowed the angle correctly, but Aston, just visible behind Fulham defender Lacy, placed his shot with brilliant precision, low down and just wide of the goalkeeper into the far corner.

TOP LEFT: Brian Chambers was able to join in the attacks as we kept Fulham stretched. Here he hammers a shot past Alan Slough and Rodney Marsh, but unluckily for us the ball roared past the post.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Paul Futchler had another brilliant game at the heart of our defence. The Fulham attacker trying to get round him is Rodney Marsh, but good though he is he was not good enough.

BOTTOM LEFT: Fulham's other star name, Bobby Moore, was lucky to get away with this incident: he and Ron Futchler went sprawling in the penalty area after Ron had left the ex-England skipper trailing. We thought it was a penalty but the ref didn't.



Pictures: Luton News

AGM

MONDAY 28th FEBRUARY 1977. HATTERS CLUB

IT WAS extremely gratifying to see over 100 shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on Monday 28th February in the Hatters Club.

This was a significant increase compared to past years and this was due to two factors. First of all the Club now has a much wider circle of members following the issue of the 'B' Supporters Shares and secondly the meeting was held in the evening rather than the conventional late afternoon. We hope that the shareholders attending their first AGM were not too disappointed at the brevity of the proceedings. The AGM of most companies tend to be formal and extremely brief and, unless there are serious differences of opinion on the published accounts, these are normally approved without any discussion.

Although the formal proceedings were completed in approximately twenty minutes, these were followed by a talk by Harry Haslam, who invited questions but without much response. In previous years, there has been numerous points raised at this juncture and one can only assume that prospective questioners were inhibited by the size of the audience. However, many stayed for a considerable time to enjoy a drink at the bar and it is hoped that some of those questions, both of a financial and football nature, were discussed in the informal atmosphere which prevailed in the Hatters Club. We hope that no one went away feeling that they had not had an opportunity to air their views or to ask a question dear to their hearts.

Whilst on the subject of the AGM, it is perhaps relevant to consider the role of the football director, that much maligned individual whom the cartoonist and cynic love to portray as a power mad, status seeking, football ignoramus. The vast majority of directors are extremely busy and successful business men who have neither the time nor the opportunity to become as proficient in the technical aspects of football as they are in their own fields. There are, however, a number of ways they can contribute towards the success of the Club. These include financial support and advice on commercial expertise such as sponsorships, advertising and social activities. Directors at Luton are allocated specific duties: finance, legal matters, commercial and the playing surface and maintenance of the Stadium. The Chairman's role is a co-ordinating one, to ensure that the entire operation runs smoothly and efficiently.

Finally, two of the most important duties of the directors are to select suitable people to head the departments - i.e. Manager and the secretaries and to accept ultimate responsibility to the shareholders, the Football Association and the Football League, to ensure that the various regulations are being observed and that the company is being conducted within the terms of the Companies Act. When one considers that no dividends or interest are paid on considerable shareholdings and loans, and that no emoluments of any sort may be paid to Football Directors, it must be 'for the love of the game.'



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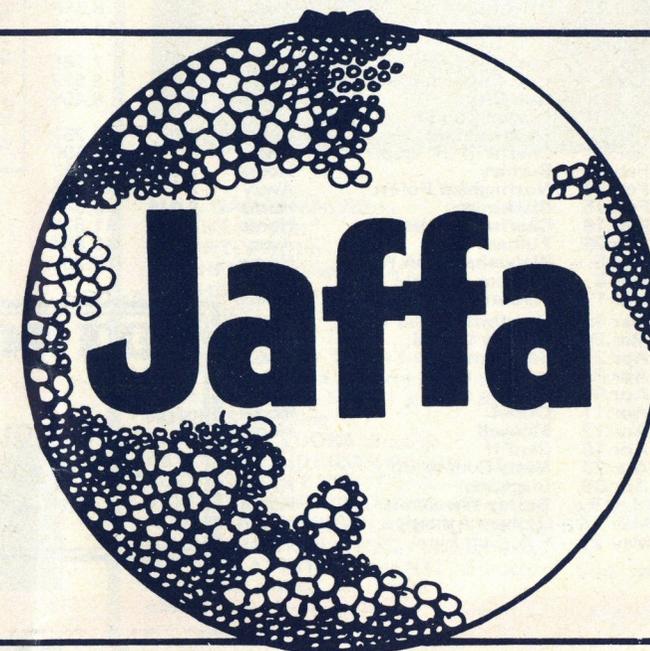


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LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

| Date | Opponents | Ground | Result | Attendance |
|---------|-----------------------|--------|--------|------------|
| 1976 | | | | |
| Aug.21 | Sheffield United | Home | 2-0 | 10,687 |
| Aug.24 | Hull City | Away | 1-3 | 5,499 |
| Aug.28 | Burnley | Away | 2-1 | 12,262 |
| Sept.1 | Sunderland | Away | 1-3 | 22,390 |
| Sept.4 | Nottingham Forest | Home | 1-1 | 11,231 |
| Sept.10 | Charlton Athletic | Away | 3-4 | 9,191 |
| Sept.18 | Fulham | Home | 0-2 | 19,929 |
| Sept.22 | League Cup 3 | | | |
| Sept.25 | Wolverhampton | Away | 2-1 | 19,826 |
| Oct.2 | Plymouth Argyle | Away | 0-1 | 12,187 |
| Oct.9 | Hereford United | Home | 2-0 | 9,895 |
| Oct.16 | Carlisle United | Away | 1-1 | 6,972 |
| Oct.23 | Southampton | Home | 1-4 | 12,123 |
| Oct.27 | League Cup 4 | | | |
| Oct.30 | Blackburn Rovers | Away | 0-1 | 8,719 |
| Nov.6 | Bristol Rovers | Home | 4-2 | 7,066 |
| Nov.13 | Millwall | Away | 2-4 | 10,380 |
| Nov.20 | Cardiff City(1) | Home | 2-1 | 8,845 |
| Nov.27 | Notts County | Away | 4-0 | 10,009 |
| Dec.1 | League Cup 5 | | | |
| Dec.4 | Blackpool | Home | 0-0 | 9,183 |
| Dec.21 | Bolton Wanderers(2) | Away | 1-2 | 17,475 |
| Dec.27 | Orient | Away | 0-1 | 8,356 |
| Dec.29 | Chelsea | Home | 4-0 | 14,625 |
| 1977 | | | | |
| Jan.1 | Bristol Rovers | Away | 0-1 | 7,185 |
| Jan.8 | F.A. Cup3(Halifax) | Away | 1-0 | 5,519 |
| Jan.15 | Hull City | Home | 2-1 | 8,455 |
| Jan.19 | League Cup SF | | | |
| Jan.22 | Sheffield Utd | Away | 3-0 | 16,257 |
| Jan.29 | Chester (F.A. Cup) | Away | 0-1 | 10,609 |
| Feb.5 | Burnley | Home | 2-0 | 8,638 |
| Feb.12 | Nottingham Forest | Away | 2-1 | 18,255 |
| Feb.15 | Blackburn | Home | 2-0 | 9,044 |
| Feb.19 | Charlton Athletic | Home | 2-0 | 11,625 |
| Feb.26 | Fulham (5) | Away | 2-1 | 11,894 |
| Mar.5 | Wolverhampton W. | Home | 2-0 | 19,200 |
| Mar.8 | Oldham Athletic | Home | | |
| Mar.12 | Plymouth Argyle (LCF) | Home | | |
| Mar.19 | Hereford United (6) | Away | | |
| Mar.26 | Carlisle United | Home | | |
| Apr.2 | Southampton | Away | | |
| Apr.8 | | | | |
| Apr.9 | Chelsea | Away | | |
| Apr.11 | Orient | Home | | |
| Apr.12 | Millwall | Home | | |
| Apr.16 | Cardiff | Away | | |
| Apr.23 | Notts County (SF) | Home | | |
| Apr.30 | Blackpool | Away | | |
| May 7 | Bolton Wanderers | Home | | |
| May 14 | Oldham Athletic | Away | | |
| May 21 | F.A. Cup Final | | | |

| COMBINATION | | |
|-------------|-------|---|
| Appearances | Goals | |
| Aston | 2 | 1 |
| Barber | 7 | — |
| Brown | 9 | 1 |
| Carr | 23 | 1 |
| Chambers | 5 | 1 |
| Driver | 3 | — |
| Faulkner | 1 | — |
| Futcher R. | 3 | 3 |
| Gregory | 17 | 8 |
| Heale | 10 | — |
| Hill | 17 | 1 |
| Husband | 2 | — |
| Ingram | 10 | 3 |
| Johnson | 11 | — |
| Jones | 23 | — |
| Knight | 19 | — |
| McNichol | 27 | 2 |
| Mead | 27 | — |
| Ryan | 10 | 4 |
| Simon | 15 | 5 |
| Sisman | 1 | — |
| Smith | 24 | — |
| Turner | 3 | — |
| West | 1 | — |

NEXT HOME GAME

V
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE
 Saturday 12th March 1977
 Kick-off: 3.00 pm

COMBINATION

| Date | Opponents | G | R |
|---------|-----------------|---|-----|
| 1976 | | | |
| Aug.21 | Oxford United | A | 1-1 |
| Aug.24 | Southampton | H | 0-1 |
| Aug.28 | Bristol City | A | 1-2 |
| Sept.1 | | | |
| Sept.4 | | | |
| Sept.11 | Ipswich Town | H | 0-2 |
| Sept.18 | | | |
| Sept.22 | West Ham Utd | H | 2-3 |
| Sept.25 | Crystal Palace | H | 1-3 |
| Sept.28 | Q.P.R. | A | 1-3 |
| Oct.2 | Fulham | A | 1-5 |
| Oct.9 | Leicester | A | 1-4 |
| Oct.16 | Cardiff City | H | 0-0 |
| Oct.23 | Arsenal | A | 1-1 |
| Oct.30 | Tottenham | H | 1-2 |
| Nov.3 | Chelsea | A | 0-4 |
| Nov.6 | Swindon Town | A | P |
| Nov.13 | Plymouth Argyle | H | 1-3 |
| Nov.20 | Reading | A | P |
| Nov.23 | Birmingham City | A | 0-0 |
| Nov.27 | Bristol Rovers | H | 2-0 |
| Dec.1 | | | |
| Dec.4 | Orient | A | P |
| Dec.18 | Tottenham | A | 0-2 |
| 1977 | | | |
| Jan.1 | Hereford United | H | 3-1 |
| Jan.8 | Norwich | H | 2-2 |
| Jan.15 | Q.P.R. | H | 2-1 |
| Jan.18 | Southampton | A | 1-3 |
| Jan.22 | Oxford United | H | 1-2 |
| Jan.25 | Orient | H | 3-1 |
| Jan.28 | Chelsea | H | 4-4 |
| Feb.1 | Bristol City | H | 1-2 |
| Feb.14 | West Ham | A | 2-2 |
| Feb.19 | Ipswich Town | A | 1-2 |
| Mar.5 | Crystal Palace | A | |
| Feb.26 | Fulham | H | 0-4 |
| Mar.19 | Leicester | H | |
| Mar.30 | Cardiff City | A | |
| Apr.2 | Arsenal | H | |
| Apr.8 | | | |
| Apr.9 | Birmingham City | H | |
| Apr.12 | | | |
| Apr.13 | Hereford United | A | |
| Apr.16 | Swindon Town | H | |
| Apr.23 | Bristol Rovers | A | |
| Mar.12 | Plymouth Argyle | A | |
| Apr.30 | Reading | H | |
| May.7 | Norwich City | A | |

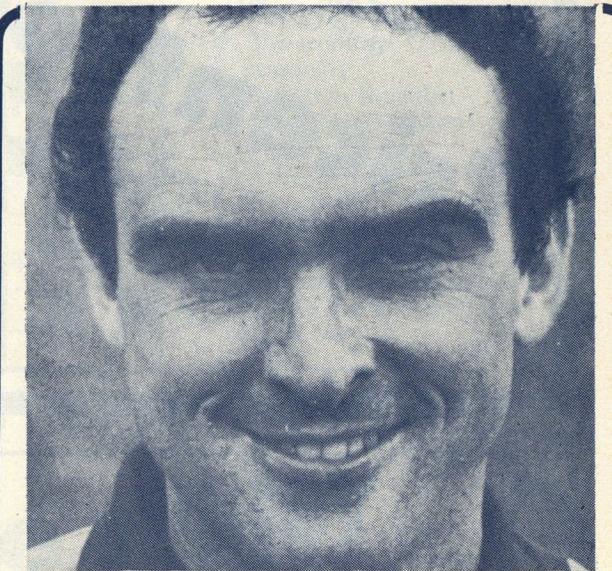
LEAGUE DIVISION TWO — AS AT 7/3/77

| | HOME | | | Goals AWAY | | | Goals | Pts | | | | |
|-------------|------|----|---|------------|----|----|-------|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | P | W | D | L | F | A | | | | | | |
| Chelsea | 30 | 9 | 6 | 0 | 34 | 20 | 5 | 5 | 17 | 21 | 39 | |
| Bolton | 28 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 31 | 12 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 22 | 23 | 38 |
| Wolves | 28 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 35 | 15 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 28 | 19 | 37 |
| Luton | 29 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 26 | 11 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 23 | 22 | 35 |
| Blackpool | 30 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 22 | 14 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 22 | 18 | 35 |
| Notts Co | 28 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 20 | 14 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 27 | 28 | 33 |
| Nottm For | 27 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 35 | 17 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 18 | 14 | 32 |
| Millwall | 28 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 24 | 18 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 19 | 19 | 30 |
| Charlton | 29 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 36 | 21 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 15 | 25 | 30 |
| Oldham | 26 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 27 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 11 | 23 | 30 |
| Blackburn | 28 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 22 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 26 | 29 |
| Hull | 28 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 27 | 12 | 0 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 21 | 28 |
| Southampton | 27 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 25 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 23 | 24 | 27 |
| Cardiff | 28 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 22 | 20 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 17 | 21 | 25 |
| Sheff Utd | 27 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 19 | 18 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 12 | 22 | 24 |
| Bristol R | 29 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 23 | 19 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 15 | 34 | 24 |
| Plymouth | 30 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 20 | 19 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 15 | 29 | 23 |
| Orient | 24 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 10 | 11 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 19 | 21 |
| Fulham | 30 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 24 | 20 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 13 | 32 | 21 |
| Burnley | 30 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 19 | 17 | 1 | 3 | 11 | 13 | 35 | 21 |
| Carlisle | 29 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 22 | 25 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 9 | 30 | 21 |
| Hereford | 27 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 16 | 22 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 18 | 34 | 17 |

APPEARANCES

| | League | 1976/7 | Cup | Goals |
|-----------|--------|--------|-----|-------|
| Total | | | | |
| Aleksic | 44 | 12 | 2 | — |
| Aston | 295 | 21 | 3 | 8 |
| Barber | 142 | 15 | 1 | — |
| Buckley | 86 | 29 | 3 | 3 |
| Chambers | 101 | 24 | 3 | 2 |
| Faulkner | 164 | 27 | 3 | — |
| Futcher P | 106 | 29 | 3 | 1 |
| Futcher R | 71 | 22 | 2 | 8 |
| Fuccillo | 41 | 29 | 3 | 3 |
| Geddes | 2 | 2 | — | 1 |
| Hill | 6 | 5 | 1 | 3 |
| Husband | 261 | 24 | 3 | 12 |
| Jones | 3 | 2 | — | — |
| Knight | 2 | 2 | — | — |
| Price | 34 | 29 | 3 | 1 |
| Ryan | 194 | 10 | — | — |
| West | 174 | 24 | 2 | 2 |

PLAYER PROFILE



FULL NAME: John Aston
HEIGHT: 5'-10½"
WEIGHT: 11st-7lb
BIRTHPLACE: Manchester
BIRTHDAY: 28th June
STAR SIGN: Cancer
SIGNED AS PRO: 1964
LEAGUE DEBUT: 1964 v Leicester
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Manchester United
FAMILY: 1 boy — Mark, 1 girl — Faith
HOBBIES: Reading
FAVOURITE FOODS: English
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY RESORT: Jersey
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Switzerland
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Going bald (like Ronnie)
ADVICE TO YOUNG PLAYERS: Don't smoke
WHEN I FINISH PLAYING: Live for years
MY GREATEST MOMENT: European Cup win with Manchester United
AMBITION: To buy Jimmy Husband a drink when we get promotion



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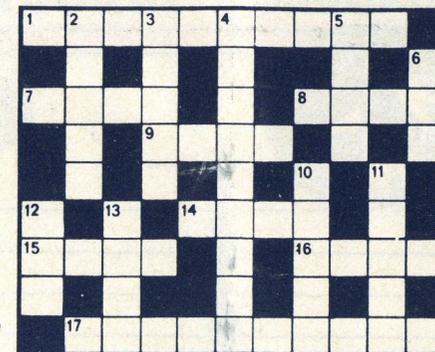


CLUES -- ACROSS

- They won FA Cup once but 'held' it for 7 years!(10)
- Cannell or Cooper(4)
- Former ref. with same name as 17 across wrote book called "A Little Whistle"(4)
- Sykes is Oldham director(4)
- He played for Team America against England(4)
- Swansea top-scorer last season(4)
- Gillingham's assistant manager ---Hodgkinson(4)
- Made England debut against Italy in New York(6,4)

SOLUTIONS TO CROSSWORD NO. 12
Across: 1 Walsh. 4 Roger. 7 Derby County. 8 Astle. 12 Douglas Park. 14 Young. 15 Allan.
Down: 1 Wednesday. 2 Lord. 3 Hayes. 4 Rio (Brazil). 5 Gunn. 6 Ray Hankin. 9 Loska. 10 Dudu. 11 Ball. 13 leg.

Crossword NO.13



CLUES -- DOWN

- Forest forward(5)
- Returned to Hereford after leaving as their most expensive sale(5)
- Winger who went from 1 across to Motherwell(9)
- Top-scorer for Oxford last season(4)
- Barrett or Bradd(3)
- Man.Utd.were formerly Newton---(5)
- W.Ham's 4th post-war manager(5)
- Club well-known by its initials(1,1,1)
- its big striker who inherited the No.9 shirt from Geoff Hurst(4)

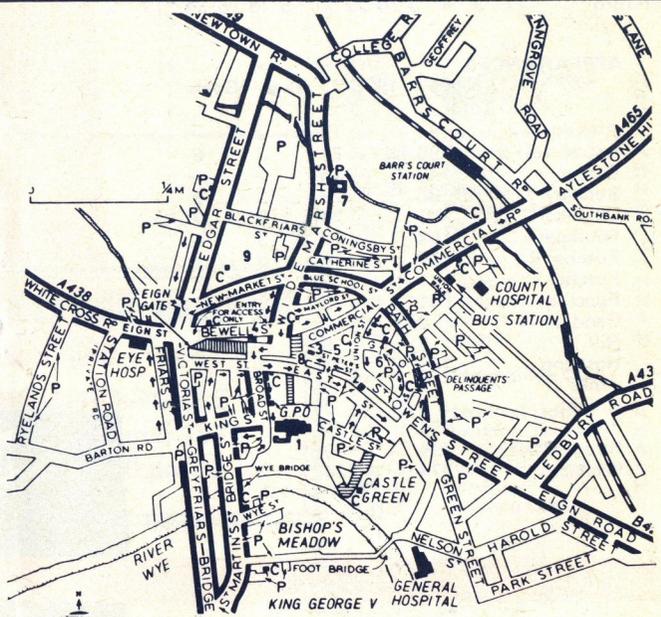
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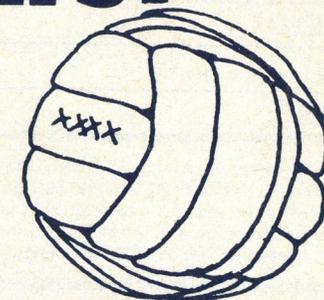


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V HALOM

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C VALENTINE

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OFFICIALS: Referee: Mr Morris R Baker (Wolverhampton): Commenced refereeing in Wolverhampton Amateur League, then through West Midland (Regional) to Football League. Has officiated in an England v Scotland (Amateur) International, also a Hungary v Austria match. In the last and this close seasons has been to Tunisia and Spain, as a referee. A married man with two sons, he is a director of a tool-making concern, and his hobbies are tennis, swimming and walking. Serves on a committee to raise money for charity by five-a-side football competitions. Linesmen: Mr W G Cleere (High Wycombe) - red flag; Mr R C Sibley (Reading) - yellow flag.

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