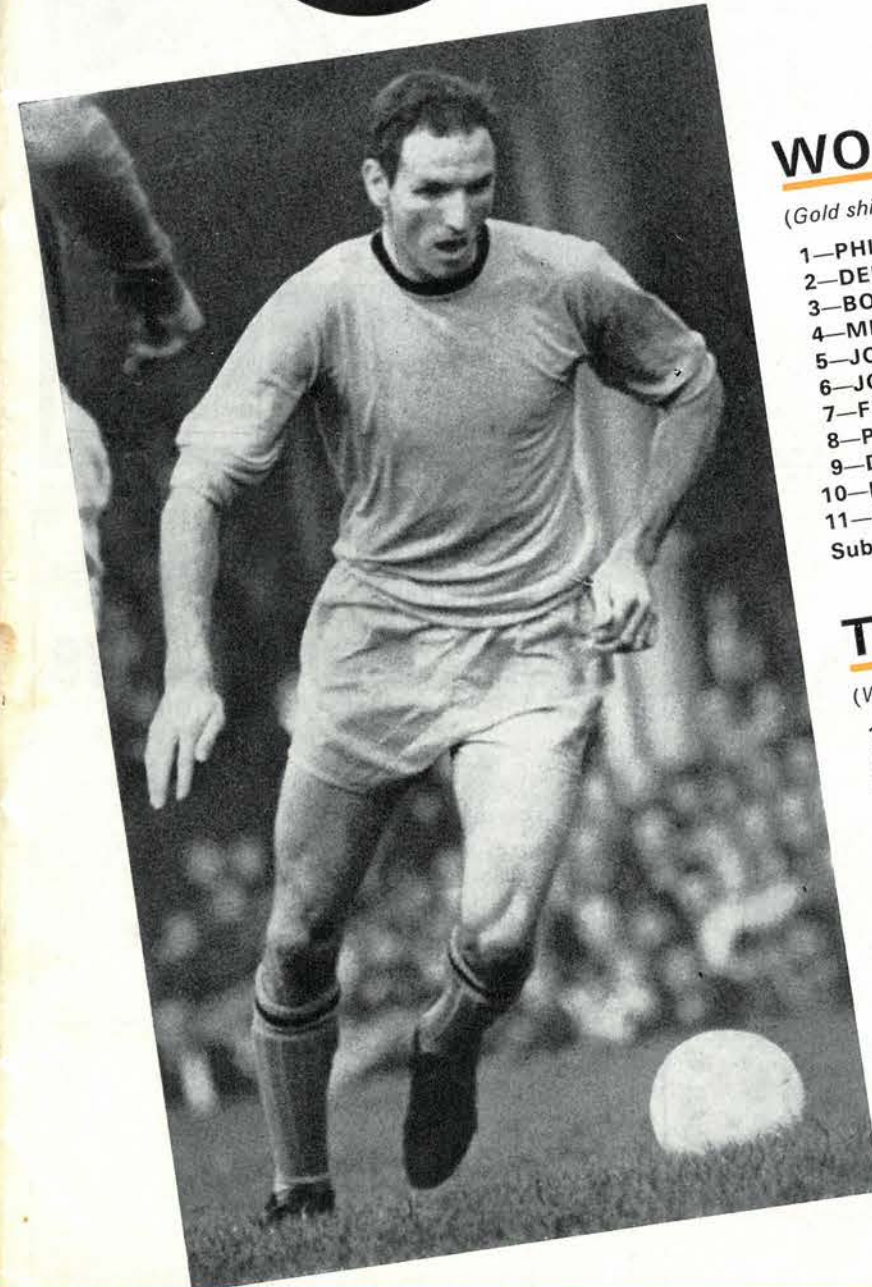


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- 2—DEREK PARKIN
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- 4—MIKE BAILEY
- 5—JOHN HOLSGROVE
- 6—JOHN McALLE
- 7—FRANK WIGNALL
- 8—PETER KNOWLES
- 9—DEREK DOUGAN
- 10—LES WILSON
- 11—DAVE WAGSTAFFE
- Sub.—MIKE KENNING

TOTTENHAM

(White shirts, navy blue shorts)

- 1—PAT JENNINGS
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- 3—CYRIL KNOWLES
- 4—ALAN MULLERY
- 5—PETER COLLINS
- 6—PHIL BEAL
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- 9—MIKE ENGLAND
- 10—TERRY VENABLES
- 11—ALAN GILZEAN
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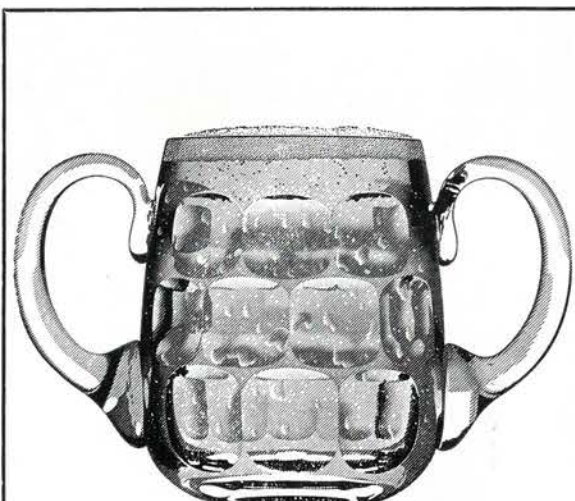
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THE BILL MCGARRY PAGE

NOTHING would have pleased me more than to have started with at least a point from our game with Manchester United at Old Trafford last week.

And I was disappointed—just as you good folk who made the journey to cheer us on must have been—that we just failed, though to give the lads credit they fought terribly hard.

What might have happened if Duggie Woodfield had not been forced to go off with that leg injury in the first half is anybody's guess. Mine is that we might just have got that point . . .

As most of you are probably aware, the first few weeks of taking over as manager of a new club can be really trying.

Of course, it's not so much the actual football, but finding time to fit everything in. For instance, I have had to make frequent journeys back home to Ipswich and there is the ever-frustrating problems of house-hunting.

And don't forget that on top of all this you have got to get to know all the staff—and know your players.

Well, I think I have solved one little problem by finding a house—and here I would like to offer my sincere thanks to everyone at the club for their help and advice—though I

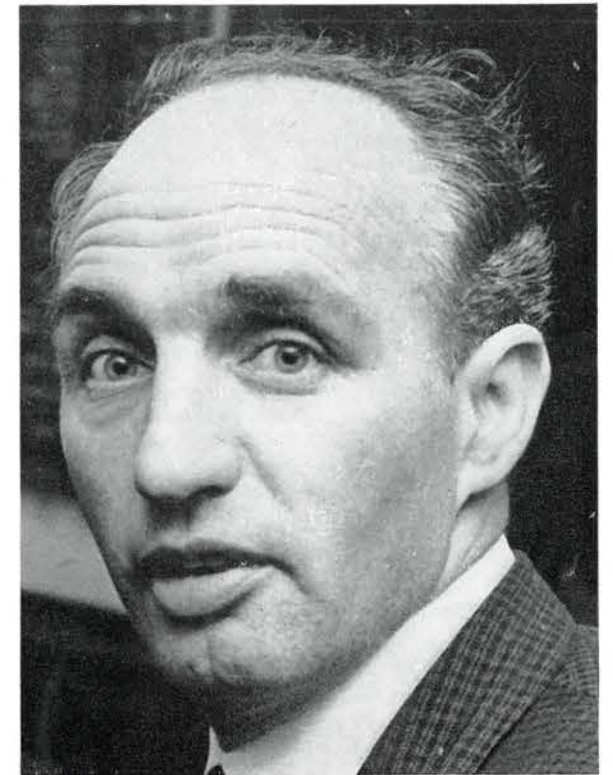
will not feel really settled until I have moved in with my wife and family.

And talking of home . . . I was born in the Potteries, though I didn't think for one

minute that I would be coming back to the Midlands. Still, in this job home is where your club is and I'm pleased to be here.

So, too, is Sammy Chung, who is going through similar househunting problems. He's never had to live so far north before, but no doubt he'll get used to it!

Sammy and I have been together now for almost six years and I suppose it underlines another modern trend in soccer . . . that manager and coach should move about together.



★ THIS MAN McGARRY—See page 17 ★

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A LIFETIME WITH

WHILE the arrival of manager Bill McGarry opens up a new era in the history of Wolves, the closing pages are being written to another story.

● This story and the history of Wolves go together like hand in glove. Because it is the story of the unselfish dedication of a one-club man whose career in soccer has spanned 45 years.

● The story of JACK HOWLEY, for the last 20 years secretary of Wolverhampton Wanderers, the last five years as General Manager and for the 25 years before that one of the key men in "back-room" operations.

● To do true justice to "The Jack Howley Story" we would need the space taken up by a dozen editions of Molineux. But typical of his humility Jack has cast himself very much in the role of the reluctant hero.

● Possibly because he is not yet completely leaving the club he has served with such pride and purpose.

● Possibly, too, because he is a modest man.

● But reluctance or not, the least we can do is to offer our own tribute to this man who is so well liked and respected by everyone in the game.

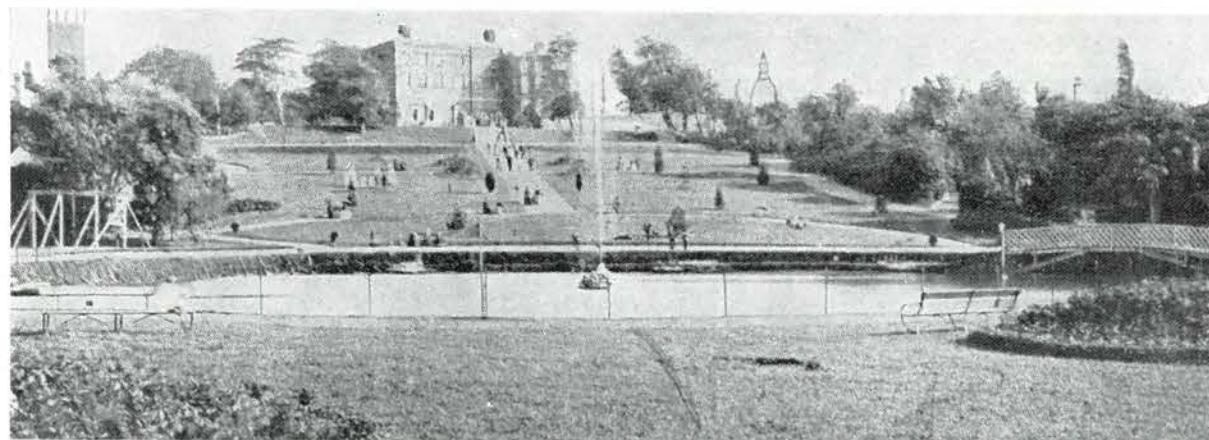
JACK HOWLEY AND WOLVES first came into contact with each other in June, 1923, when he left St. Philips Grammar School in Birmingham and accepted the position of office junior to Bert Hoskins.

But it wasn't quite as simple as that. Because Jack, who was taking a commercial course, had the choice of two jobs, both similar in nature. One was with Wolves. The other with a firm of coal merchants.

Jack's natural love of soccer—plus the fact that his family had Wolves connections—won the day. So into the office he went, not knowing or realising that memorable day that he was going to become one of the great "backroom" boys of soccer.

The game ran in Jack's family. His father, also called Jack, was a part-time professional player with Wolves in the early 1900s—his pay was only 5s. a week in those days: compare it with the players of today!—and he also did a bit of boxing.

Born in Wolverhampton, Jack Junior attended St. Patricks School before going to St. Philips'.



AS IT
WAS
THEN

ABOVE: Molineux
Grounds, 1881.

AND
NOW

RIGHT: Molineux
Grounds shown from
South Bank.



WOLVES

Well played Jack Howley!

He was captain of his form and house and his own soccer abilities won him the captaincy of the school team. He was a resolute centre-half in those days and he later played for Newhampton Athletic in the old Heath Town Junior League.

But it was OFF the soccer field that Jack Howley was destined to find his feet and make his mark. He learned well and packed in a wealth of experience before he was appointed secretary at the start of the 1948-49 campaign.

That was quite a season for Wolves. They beat Leicester City 3-1 in the F.A. Cup Final at Wembley—and bearing in mind they also won the Third Division (North) title in 1923-24, Jack's first team with the club, could this be an omen this time?

Because if Wolves won a League title in his first season with the club, the F.A. Cup in his first season as secretary it would be quite something if they booked another Cup Final appearance in his last!

And as Jack says: "If I was a betting man I wouldn't mind having a bob or two on them!"

From his early days with Wolves, Jack has seen them rise from the Third Division to the Second Division title and First Division championships. He has also seen them three times in the F.A. Cup Final—and on two of these visits to Wembley he has been proud to help carry the trophy home to Molineux.

Famous players have come and gone—but as much as anything Jack's loyal and honest work behind the scenes has contributed towards lifting the club to the position of pride they now occupy.

He has, indeed, been recognised as the ideal secretary—discreet yet forceful; tolerant yet demanding of the same quality of efficiency that has marked his own success.

Of course, a secretary of a Football League club goes through many harassing, testing moments. Jack takes it all in his stride without the slightest sign of panic. And this is one of the reasons why every event at Molineux, large or small, goes off like clockwork.

International matches, all-ticket Cup games, those fantastic floodlit games with the cream of Continental opposition in the "Fabulous Fifties", boxing, athletics—they have all been staged at Molineux. And staged with a perfection that speaks volumes for the man at the helm of organisation.

Apart from a short illness in 1957, Jack Howley has been an "ever present" in the Wolves administration team. And apart from all his taxing duties



● JACK HOWLEY . . . portrait of dedication.

with the club, he has always found time to help and foster local junior soccer and he had a great deal to do with the founding of what is now known as the South Staffordshire Badminton League.

For relaxation there is nothing more he likes than gardening. Though he does not reckon he will have much time to spend on that even now he has retired from the hectic life of football.

"I will soon have a bit more time to myself," he admits, "but no doubt I will be devoting most of it to helping the work of local soccer organisations".

Jack has already been honoured with the Football League Long Service Medal and has also received a special gift from the Football Association—a set of table mats bearing the pictures of every Football League ground.

Jack, the longest serving official in the Football League, will continue with Wolves in an advisory capacity. And the club have also bestowed on him a proud honour. He has been made their only life member.

He says he intends to watch as much Wolves football as possible with his wife Mina and daughter Christine, who are just as fervent as he is when it comes to supporting those men who proudly wear the old gold and black.

But perhaps the most meaningful tribute to be paid comes from Jack Howley himself when he says:

"If I had my time over again I would do exactly the same. I have had no regrets. And I have loved every minute of it."

Just as Wolves have loved having Jack Howley behind the scenes. Hoping, of course, that he will enjoy being with us for many more years to come.

★SPOTLIGHT ON
SPURS' MANAGER

Bill Nicholson —soccer with a velvet touch....

THE ONLY THING out of place with Tottenham Hotspur is their symbol—a swanking, squawking cockerel. This is a badge of brashness, completely out of tune with the true image of Spurs.

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It would seem far more fitting if, instead of a cockerel, the players wore a coronet on their shirts, for they are truly part of the British soccer peerage.

Or to put it more simply—the men from White Hart Lane have style. Not only in the displays of their first team, where they often appear to be shod in velvet, but in all their ramifications.

And manager **BILL NICHOLSON** has said of this largely indefinable quality: "It is something that can only grow with a club".

This style was, of course, firmly rooted at Tottenham when Bill was promoted to manager on October 10th, 1958. The style and the man had each absorbed the other from the day he moved into White Hart Lane as a player in 1936.

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And he was later to be given a key responsibility on the field when Spurs, under manager Arthur Rowe, discovered the formula for which they had long searched. They nursed it and developed it into the success method known as "push and run".

With present England manager Sir Alf Ramsey at right-back, Bill Nicholson and Ron Burgess at wing-half and with today's off-the-field first lieutenant Eddie Bailey at inside-forward they supplied the golden thread to the

FOR THE RECORD

GROUND: White Hart Lane.
FOUNDED: 1882.
RECORD ATTENDANCE: 75,038 (v Sunderland, March, 1938, F.A. Cup).
RECORD RECEIPTS: £30,080 (v Manchester United, Cup-Winners Cup, 1963).
AVERAGE GATE LAST SEASON: 42,584.
LEAGUE HISTORY: First Division 1909-15, 1920-8, 1933-5, 1950-; Second Division 1908-9, 1915-20, 1928-33, 1935-50.
LEAGUE HONOURS: First Division champions 1950-51, 1950-61; Second Division champions 1919-20, 1949-50.
CUP HONOURS: F.A. Cup winners 1901, 1921, 1961, 1962, 1967; European Cup-Winners' Cup winners 1963.
OTHER HONOURS: Won championships of Second and First Divisions in successive seasons 1949-51; won Second Division in 1919-20 with the highest total of points—70; equalled Aston Villa's long-standing record of F.A. Cup and First Division title double in 1960-61.
FAMOUS FORMER PLAYERS: J. Brooks, E. Ditchburn, G. Robb, A. Ramsey, W. Nicholson, A. Willis, E. Baily, L. Medley, G. Hunt, A. Rowe, W. Hall, J. Dimmock, A. Grimsdell, J. Seed, F. Osborne, T. Clay, H. Bliss, V. Woodward, F. Walden, B. Smith, M. Norman (All England); D. Mackay, A. Brown, J. White (Scotland), D. Blanchflower, R. Rowley, J. Kirwan (Ireland); C. Jones, T. Medwin, M. Hopkins, R. Burgess, W. Rees, W. Evans, E. O'Callaghan, W. Whatley, E. Hughes (Wales.).

team as they pushed and ran their way to the Second Division title in 1950 and on to the First Division championship the next season.

And still brooding over his Tottenham pride is the craggy figure of Nicholson, 5ft 9ins tall, dour and with hair slightly tinged ginger.

Spurs thrashed Everton 10-4 on the day he took over as manager. And that, in its way, represented the size of the challenge facing him. How do you dismantle and rebuild a delicate timepiece without allowing it to lose a single second?

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Nicholson did! Two and a half seasons after becoming boss he landed the Cup and League double and marched mightily into Europe. The next season he again won the F.A. Cup and a place in another big European competition.

And just to complete a hat-trick, on May 20, 1967, Bill Nicholson led his Spurs marching on to yet another F.A. Cup victory, this time over London rivals Chelsea.

Since then Bill has been trying to rebuild his timepiece again—but without completely dismantling it. For a start he splashed out £110,000 to Southampton last season for Martin Chivers—but Martin is now out of the game for the rest of the campaign with a bad knee injury.

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And this season, for the first time in years, Spurs are not taking part in European football. But that's something Bill Nicholson hopes to remedy this term.

Despite the injury problems, men like Jimmy Greaves, Mike England, Alan Mullery and Terry Venables are also keen to have a big say in this matter!

Back-to-peak Greaves raps critics

NO ONE STRIKES more stealthily in the fierce world of a big transfer deal than Bill Nicholson. But the business that took him to Italy in November, 1961, could never remain a secret.

The entire world of soccer studied every move and counter move as he smoothed his way ahead of all opposition and finally signed a cheque for £99,999 to bring JIMMY GREAVES back to British football.

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Jimmy now has well over 300 goals in his career which started with Chelsea in August, 1957. And that was the launching of a real-life schoolboy hero, for goal-ace Jimmy started scoring faster than almost anyone who had previously appeared in football.

But in recent years he has added an extra dimension to his value. He has become a more complete footballer by raising what the "in" folk of football would call his work rate.

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One manager once summed him up rather unfairly like this: "You watch him play and for 80 minutes you think he's an idle so-and-so. But then he does something no one else could and wins the game. And you think he's a genius."

Yes, it was rather unfair, because until the 1966 World Cup it was rarely demanded that a player should slave almost unceasingly in midfield. Certainly not our Jim, whose kingdom is the opposite penalty area. And he is usually supreme there!

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The aspect of Jim's game to watch are those darting, twinkling little runs that may eventually carry him to the greatest glut of goals one player has ever scored in his career.

Take this season, for example. Just when it seemed that he was "over the top"—and a lot of folk were prepared to accept the fact without seeing him play—he let fly with his own answer—goals, goals, goals. And he is now the leading scorer in the country.

Off the field Jim is a happy family man with his own business. When he is not playing he rarely talks about the game and likes to shut it out completely from his mind when he is at home.

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Perhaps the only twinge of regret that the Spurs treasurer may have occasionally is that Jimmy Greaves could have joined Spurs for NOTHING!

Because Jim was always a Spurs fan as a lad and he had been picked up in their scouting network, but was overlooked in the upheaval when manager Arthur Rowe fell sick.



● JIMMY GREAVES

BACKTRACK

THOUGH WOLVES have won only ten of their last 32 First Division clashes with Spurs, the games are guaranteed to produce thrills galore—and, on average, almost four goals per match.

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● Of course, there are exceptions—like that March day in 1965 when their tussle at White Hart Lane was marked by ELEVEN GOALS—seven of them falling to Spurs.

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● Talk about White Heartbreak Lane . . . when **PADDY BUCKLEY** opened the scoring for Wolves after ten minutes the blitz really started. And this is how the goalchart read: 27 mins. 1–1 **LES ALLEN**; 49 mins. 1–2 **ALAN GILZEAN**; 53 mins. 1–3 **EDDIE CLAYTON**; 58 mins. 2–3 **HUGH McILMOYLE**; 61 mins. 2–4 **CLIFF JONES**; 63 mins. 3–4 **JOHNNY KIRKHAM**; 69 mins. 3–5 **GILZEAN**; 74 mins. 4–5 **TERRY WHARTON**; 84 mins. 4–6 **JONES**; 85 mins. 4–7 **JONES**.

THE FACTS . . .

RESULTS of Wolves v Spurs First Division games since the war:

1950–51: September 16th 2–1 (H) Swinbourne, Mullen; January 20th 1–2 (A) Walker.

1951–52: November 3rd 2–4 (A) Pye, Mullen; March 22nd 1–1 (H) Pye.

1952–53: December 6th 0–0 (H); April 25th 2–3 (A) Hancocks, Stockin.

1953–54: December 5th 3–2 (A) Wilshaw, Broadbent, Hancocks; April 24th 2–0 (H) Swinbourne (2).

1954–55: August 25th 2–3 (A) Wright, Welton o.g.; August 30th 4–2 (H) Swinbourne, Wilshaw, Mullen, Welton o.g.

1955–56: November 19th 1–2 (A) Broadbent; April 18th 5–1 (H) Slater (2 pens.), Murray, Wilshaw, Broadbent.

1956–57: September 8th 1–4 (A) Hooper; January 12th 3–0 (H) Broadbent (2), Mason.

1957–58: October 2nd 4–0 (H) Broadbent (2), Murray, Flowers; December 26th 0–1 (A).

1958–59: September 27th 1–2 (A) Clamp (pen.); March 2nd 1–1 (H) Lill.

1959–60: October 10th 1–5 (A) Mason; April 23rd 1–3 (H) Broadbent.

1960–61: October 1st 0–4 (H); February 22nd 1–1 (A) Farmer.

1961–62: September 16th 0–1 (A); February 3rd 3–1 (H) Wharton, McParland, Crowe.

1962–63: September 12th 2–1 (A) Wharton, Crow; September 19th 2–2 (H) Murray (2).

1963–64: August 28th 1–4 (H) Hinton; September 4th 3–4 (A) Hinton, Crowe, Kirkham.

1964–65: November 14th 3–1 (H) Wharton, Le Flem, Crawford; March 27th 4–7 (A) Buckley, McIlmoyle, Kirkham, Wharton.

1967–68: September 6th 1–2 (A) Hunt; May 11th 2–1 (H) Wignall, Parkin.

Do you eleven-goal

● It was, indeed, revenge for Spurs who were beaten 3–1 at Molineux the previous November by goals from **TERRY WHARTON**, **DICK LE FLEM** and **RAY CRAWFORD**. And just for the record, the Wolves team in the return game at Tottenham read: **Davies; Thomson, Harris; Kirkham, Flowers, Miller; Wharton, Woodruff, McIlmoyle, Knowles, Buckley**.

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● During this post-war spell Wolves had had their big-win moments, too. And one that readily springs to mind was their Molineux date on April 18th, 1956. This was the first floodlit League game at Molineux and Wolves turned on their own dazzling display to win 5–1 with goals from **BILL SLATER** (2 pens.), **JIM MURRAY**, **DENNIS WILSHAW** and **PETER BROADBENT**. Wolves team on that memorable night was **Williams; Stuart, Shorthouse; Slater, Showell, Howells; Broadbent, Booth, Murray, Wilshaw, Mullen**.

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● Perhaps their clashes during the 1954–55 season will long be remembered, too—if only for the misery of Spurs defender **PAT WELTON** who managed to net own goals in each of the two games.

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● In the meeting that season at White Heart Lane, **BILLY WRIGHT** celebrated his 200th League game for Wolves with one of his rare goals. And even though Welton “scored” a second for Wolves they still lost 3–2.

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● That was on August 25th. Five days later they played the return game at Molineux—and Welton again put the ball in his own net as Wolves gained ample revenge with a convincing 4–2 success. **ROY SWINBOURNE**, **DENNIS WILSHAW** and **JIMMY MULLEN** were the other scorers.

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● Spurs also provided milestones in the careers of full-back **GERRY HARRIS** and inside-forward **JIM MURRAY**. On March 2nd, 1959, Harris made his 100th League appearance for Wolves against Spurs at Molineux, and Murray chalked up his 200th League game at White Hart Lane on February 22nd, 1961.

recall that March day?

● *Boxing Day, 1957, was another day Wolves will want to forget. Travelling down to White Hart Lane they were beaten 1–0—their first defeat in 19 games that season. But it made little difference to the eventual destination of the League championship. That ended up at Molineux!*

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● And on October 1st 1960, Spurs came to Molineux and won 4–0—their 11th successive League win which set a new First Division record.

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● In this post-war period, Wolves have won only twice at White Hart Lane—the last time on September 12th, 1962. This provided quite a tactics battle with **BOBBY THOMSON** switching to right-back after only one minute to shackle the darting menace of Spurs' Welsh international winger **CLIFF JONES**. The move really worked, for Wolves went on to win 2–1 with goals from **TERRY WHARTON** and **CHRIS CROWE**.

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● Their previous success at Tottenham was on December 5th, 1953, when goals from **DENNIS WILSHAW**, **PETER BROADBENT** and **JOHNNY HANCOCKS** gave them a 3–2 win. That was quite a season for it was the only time in this period that they managed the double over Tottenham, winning the return game at Molineux 2–0 on April 24th. **ROY SWINBOURNE** netted both of them.

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● Last season's matches were memorable, too. In the clash at White Hart Lane in October, Wolves won high praise for their soccer skills even though they fell 2–1. Man on the mark that night was inside-forward **ERNIE HUNT** . . . and less than 24 hours later he was transferred to Everton for £80,000!

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● *In the return game—on May 11th—Wolves won by a similar margin with new boys **FRANK WIGNALL** and full-back **DEREK PARKIN** on the mark. That was Derek's first and only goal for the club—but no doubt he will be looking for another this afternoon!*

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Ricked his back shaving a tour with

WHEN BILL NICHOLSON sped across London that Saturday night in March, 1964, to sign **ALAN MULLERY**, it was the start of a spending spree that would not have been out of place in the lira-laden soccer of Italy.

The price he paid to Fulham for Mullery was £72,500—and over the next nine months four other new men arrived at White Hart Lane with the total cost of £241,000.

But luck has not always been kind to Alan Mullery since that March day. For instance, he ricked his back while shaving and had to drop out of the England tour to South America at the end of that season.

Since then, of course, he has established himself as a "must" in Sir Alf Ramsey's team and no doubt England will be looking to his driving influence as they try to retain the World Cup in Mexico in 1970.

But to get back to the Mullery ill-luck . . . on October 15th, 1965, injury forced him to end a run of over 100 League games when he collided with Jimmy Greaves in the dressing room. And just before the start of the 1966-67 season he was involved in a car accident.

Now skipper of Spurs, Alan has switched his style of play successfully. He has restricted his wonderful flair for attacking play to hold back to a more defensive role. And there are many who reckon that this change has been for the better.

● Full-back **JOE KINNEAR** is that rarity—a Spurs player who did not cost a penny! He was spotted playing in the reserve team of amateur club St. Albans and gave up an apprenticeship with a local printing firm to accept Tottenham's professional offer in February, 1965.

Born in Belfast on December 27th, 1946, Joe played only a handful of games in Spurs' Football Combination side before he won his first-team laurels. He played in the 1967 Cup Final against Chelsea and won his first full cap for Eire, against Turkey, two seasons ago.

● In July, 1964, Spurs traded another big cheque—£45,000 to be exact—for a left-back who had played only 37 games in the Second Division to equal the then highest fee paid for a full-back—when Arsenal bought Don Howe from West Bromwich Albion a few months before.

But now **CYRIL KNOWLES**, elder brother of our own inside-forward Peter Knowles, has certainly repaid that faith manager Nicholson had in him and after winning four England Under-23 caps also has full-honours to his name.

Cool, classy and confident, Cyril was once rejected by Wolves and then by Manchester United—he was a winger in those days—and after a spell in the mining pits near his home town, tried his luck again with Middlesbrough as a full-back. Success! And then came Spurs . . . and that top-of-the-world feeling.

● The year 1964 was, indeed, quite a hectic one for Nicholson. For another recruit to the glittering ranks at White Hart Lane was goalkeeper **PAT JENNINGS**, signed from Watford for £27,000 after just over one season on the League circuit, to replace Bill Brown.

Pat has another claim to fame. His hands—which need size 12 gloves—are reckoned to be the largest in football.



● Meet the men who wear the white shirts of Tottenham with pride—back (left to right): Jimmy Pearce, Phil Beal, John Collins, Mike England, Pat Jennings, Martin Chivers, Cyril Knowles, Alan Gilzean, Joe Kinnear. Front: Dennis Bond, Jimmy Robertson (now Arsenal), Jimmy Greaves, Alan Mullery, Terry Venables, Cliff Jones (now Fulham), Tony Want.

and missed England XI!

Born in Newry, Co. Down, Pat won his first Irish cap when he was 18 and has been an automatic choice ever since.

● A versatile defender at White Hart Lane is **PHIL BEAL**, blond and bold. This former England Youth international signed professional forms in January, 1962, and has established himself in the side as a sweeper.

● Over now to two more big-money deals . . . and two more magnificent players by name of **TERRY VENABLES** and **MIKE ENGLAND**.

Terry was once skipper of Chelsea's smart set with England caps at every level—schoolboy, amateur, youth, under-23 and full. But after a succession of rows with the then manager Tommy Docherty, Terry was transfer-listed and in July, 1966, Spurs bought him for £80,000.

● Ambition drove Mike England to fight Blackburn for his release because he wanted big-city soccer—and he wanted European soccer. The battle raged and in August, 1966, Spurs stepped in to give him what he wanted in exchange for a £95,000 fee to Blackburn.

Skipper of Wales, big Mike is rated as one of the best centre-halves in the game today. It's not unusual these days to see him play in the No. 9 shirt because of the unfortunate knee injury to £110,000 **MARTIN CHIVERS**, signed from Southampton last season.

And when this happens it usually means a call to first-team duty for **JOHN COLLINS**, signed last season from Chelmsford City for a mere £5,000.

● Remember, too, that Spurs also have that talented wing-half or inside-forward **DENNIS BOND** in reserve. He joined them from Watford in March, 1967, and a big future is tipped for this young man who packs a powerful shot.

● Though signed as a centre-forward to prise open opposing defences with the same purpose that marked Bobby Smith's rise to the top, **ALAN GILZEAN** relied on grace and craft rather than physical strength. But he was just the man for the job all the same!

His goals had boosted Dundee to the European Cup semi-finals in 1962-63 and then he demanded a move with such insistence that he refused to re-sign and even went five months without wages—then applied to go on the dole. Dundee gave in and let him go to Spurs, who paid out £72,500 to complete their summer signings of 1964.

These days, tall Alan usually operates in the No. 11 shirt—and look for him today going up for those high crosses to glide them down to the waiting feet of Jimmy Greaves and Co.

● Slotting in on the right wing is **DAVID JENKINS**, recent arrival from Arsenal who came to White Hart Lane in an exchange deal for Scottish international Jimmy Robertson. David—fast, tricky and with a fine shot—is another young man to look out for in the future.

● One other young forward who has been "blooded" in the hurly-burly of tough First Division campaigning is local lad **JIMMY PEARCE**. Dark-haired and sturdy, he welcomes the chance to show his paces in the first team and it is with this kind of determination that the Chivers blow has been somewhat softened.

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IT WAS SO-COLD TRAFFORD!



BRRRR! It wasn't so much the weather, but Wolves' luck in front of goal at Manchester United last week did a Jack Frost and just froze.

● But just for a few moments let's thaw out our memories and look back to the Newcastle match at Molineux two weeks ago. **Molineux** cameraman Derek Johnson was there to capture all the goals.

● Top left: Peter Knowles fires home No. 1. Centre: The Newcastle defenders are hopelessly beaten by a Frank Wignall thunderbolt. Right: Doog leaps high to nod the third. Centre right: Mike Bailey runs in as that spectacular overhead shot from Peter Knowles goes in for No. 4. And below right: It's Doog again cracking home the fifth.

● Left: One of the many Wolves moments in the United goalmouth at Cold-sorry! Old-Trafford. Doog is sprawled on his back as Alec Steppney punches the ball clear with John Holsgrove right in the thick of things.

● Tough luck, too, that Duggie Woodfield went off in the first half with an ankle injury. Frank Wignall did well as an emergency centre-half, but two strokes of individual brilliance from George Best and Dennis Law gave United the spoils.



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THE QUICKEST RECORD ever produced!
That's the claim of hit-makers The Marmalade
who are seeking new Top Twenty fame with their
cover version of calypso-style number "Ob-La-Di,
Ob-La-Da" (CBS) from the new Beatles LP.

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On Monday of last week they heard the track. On
Tuesday they recorded it. On Wednesday the first cuts
were ready. Thursday midday—and 20,000 copies had
been pressed with the first sales on Friday!

Phew! And this is not all . . . they also have their
first album on release. This, naturally, took a little longer to
produce—four months to be precise—and the title is
"There's A Lot Of It About" (CBS).

There are 14 tracks including "Loving Things", "Wait
For Me Marianne", "I See The Rain", "Tambourine Man",
"Hey Joe", "I Shall Be Released" and "Piece Of My Heart".

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● Stand by for "Glory, Glory Leeds United"
(Columbia) from Ronnie Hilton aided and abetted by his
favourite football team. Yes, Leeds' men do sing on this
disc, including Billy Bremner, Norman Hunter, Gary Sprake
and Co.

Recorded in Leeds, this number naturally praises the
merits of the men from Elland Road. Ronnie wrote special
lyrics to "The Battle Hymn Of The Republic" and persuaded
members of the team to help him in the chorus.

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● Sons And Lovers are five happy people who almost
made the charts with their last single "Happiness Is Love".
Almost—but not quite. But they have bounced back with
another eager effort called "From Now The Sun Shines"
(Beacon)—and their exciting, gay style certainly makes
this a single to watch.

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● Finally, another tip for the top—and a strong tip at
that for the group in question are The Iveys signed to
The Beatles' Apple Records. Their first single is "Maybe
Tomorrow" which proudly carries the tag Apple 5.

Apple 1 was "Hey Jude". And Apple 2 "Those Were
The Days" from Mary Hopkin. Two hits out of four is not
bad going by anyone's standards—but it could well be
three out of five by the time The Iveys have been on the
disc scene a few weeks!

YOU SAY...

The page you write

I WAS SO disgusted at the bad sportsmanship
shown by the crowd to Mike Kenning when he
took over from Frank Wignall in the Newcastle
match.

Every time Mike came in contact with the ball he was
jeered by these so-called supporters. We know he is going
through a lean patch of form and any player going through
this phase needs a lot of encouragement to help him along.

I thought this was an enjoyable game apart from this
bad sportsmanship though I expect if Mike had scored the
jeers would soon have turned to cheers.

So my plea to all Wolves supporters is this: Encourage
your players, not discourage them.

Chasetown

MR. J. ALLPORT

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ON BEHALF of all Wolves fans I would like to thank
Ronnie Allen for his excellent work at Molineux. As a fan
who has followed Wolves for a long time—and particularly
through their promotion drive—I would like to wish Ronnie
all the best in the future and, at the same time, welcome
Bill McGarry and wish him the best of luck.

Walsall

K. TIPPIN

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I WOULD like to say how interesting I find **Molineux**.
As a Wolves supporter for many years, I now find that I
know a lot more about the club thanks to your fine magazine,
even though I live so far away.

I would also like to say what a wonderful Social Club
you have. I recently spent a couple of evenings there and
could not have received better treatment anywhere.
Thank you most sincerely.

Jersey

STAN JOURNEAUX

* * *

I AM A Chelsea supporter and have just received a copy
of **Molineux**. So may I compliment you on your magnifi-
cent magazine. It is the greatest football programme I have
seen this season and a credit to the game. Congratulations!

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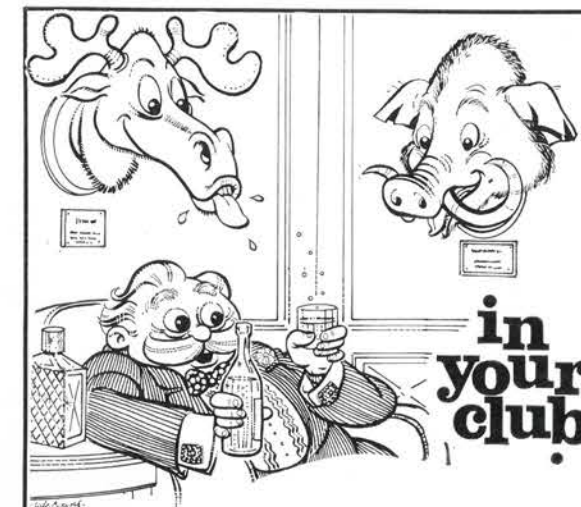
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● REMEMBER PHILIP
WAGSTAFF, the 12-year-old
(Bermuda-born boy now living
in Surrey, who wants to be the
first American to play soccer for
England?

● We featured Philip in the
last edition of **Molineux**—and
now here he is proudly showing
off his Wolves scarf.

● Philip would be delighted
to hear from other Wolves sup-
porters. If you want to write to
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★ Getting to know you . . . **LES WILSON**



● A welcome cuppa for Les Wilson from his landlady Mrs. Joan Darks. On the right is Mrs. Darks' son, Geoff.

BORN: Manchester.

CAREER: Moved with his parents to Canada at an early age and returned to this country to find soccer fame. Arrived at Molineux at the start of the 1963-64 season seeking a trial and was signed on professional forms on September 23rd, 1964. He made his League debut in the Second Division game at Middlesbrough on December 18th, 1965.

NICKNAME: "Rev"—Derek Dougan started it by calling him "Reverend"!

BIGGEST BREAK: Going on the Wolves tour to America in 1967. "I played ten games out there for the first team", says Les, "and it was a wonderful experience. It certainly helped me to establish myself".

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: None so far.

AMBITION: To have health and happiness.

FAVOURITE COLOUR: Blue.

FAVOURITE CLOTHES: Casual wear.

FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak and mushrooms.

CAR: Austin Mini.

PET LIKE: Reading science fiction.

PET DISLIKE: People who smoke in cafes and restaurants.

HOBBIES: Tennis, Squash—and listening to Andy Williams.

ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Says Les: "There are a lot of ups and downs in soccer and young lads coming into the game must learn to take the rough with the smooth. To give in is the easy way. When things go wrong try harder still".

THIS MAN McGARRY...

'His training is torture . . . but he's first rate!'

DISCIPLINE, EFFORT, RESPECT. Those three words heralded the arrival at Molineux of Bill McGarry, 40 years-old, and one of the toughest managers in the game.

Though he would probably use four more himself—**DEDICATION, COURAGE, FAIRNESS AND FIGHT.**

He was once quoted as saying:

"I'm a fanatic when it comes to this game of football. If I see a player loafing in training I want to go berserk".

And on his first day as the new master of Molineux he said:

"I don't want the players to like me. I want respect."

Respect he will get. Evidence of this has been written time and time again men who have played and toiled under his stern command.

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When he left Watford—his second managerial appointment—to link up with Ipswich in September, 1964, Bryan Jones, then Watford's skipper, said:

"This man's training is torture. Ipswich will wonder what's hit them. But I must say this—he's a first-rate manager".

Bill started as a player with Port Vale and moved to Huddersfield, then managed by present Liverpool boss Bill Shankly, in March, 1951. He played almost 500 League games for the club, won five England caps and also played in the World Cup team of 1954.

He joined Bournemouth as player-manager in 1961, moved on to Watford in 1963 and eighteen months later took over Ipswich. He said at the time:

"I'm not much better off in cash, but it's promotion in my profession".

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"Promotion in my profession . . ." And that was one of the reasons he accepted his present post.

But then, soccer is more than a profession to Bill McGarry. It's a way of life. And he's a professional all along the line. Tough. Relentless. Yet with a fairness that demands the utmost respect.

How does this iron man relax? There's nothing more he enjoys than just being at home with his family and playing the occasional game of golf or squash.

At the moment golf and squash are taking a backseat while he hunts for a new home.

Yes, Bill McGarry has arrived—and a sincere Molineux welcome to him.

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● And after that 1-1 draw at Molineux a few weeks ago, Wolves hopes are high that we can at least get another point—or go one better!

● On our last visit to Chelsea, on April 29th this year, we just went down 1-0—but certainly had our revenge when we played them in the return game at Molineux a few days later. If you remember Frank Wignall hit them with a splendid hat-trick.

● Are YOU travelling to Stamford Bridge? If so, a suggested rendezvous point for all Wolves fans is THE BRITANNIA ROAD END. Admission here to the ground is 5s, with a 1s 6d transfer to a special enclosure or a 4s transfer to unreserved seating.

● There may also be reserved seats available on the day of the match at 10s, 12s 6d and 17s 6d.



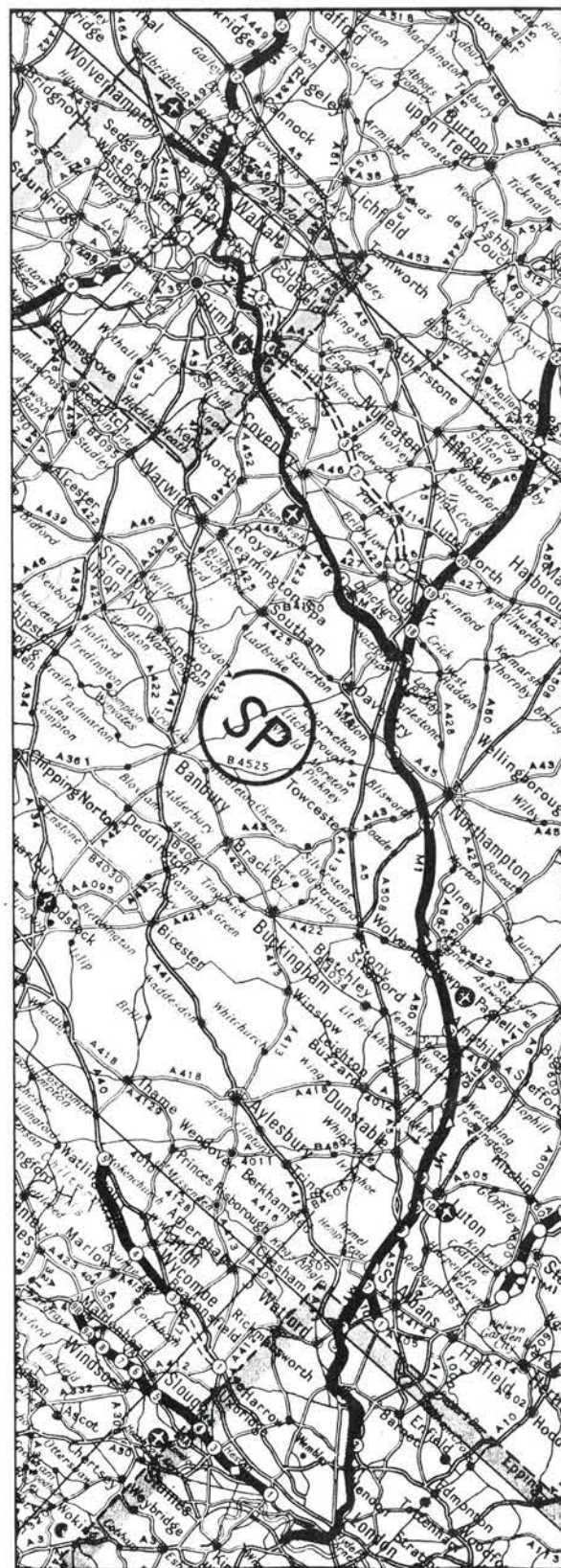
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Drive through New Oscott and at roundabout take second exit past Chester Road Station and Castle Bromwich Station and in half-a-mile bear left (signposted Stone Bridge). Through Kingshurst and forward at roundabout to Stonebridge roundabout.

Follow signs Coventry A45 and Motorway M1, continuing until you join Motorway M45 and then M1 at Watford Gap. Continue along M1—full services available at Watford Gap, Newport Pagnell and Toddington—and at end of motorway (watch your speed) join A41 and keep to right-hand lane and follow signs West End.

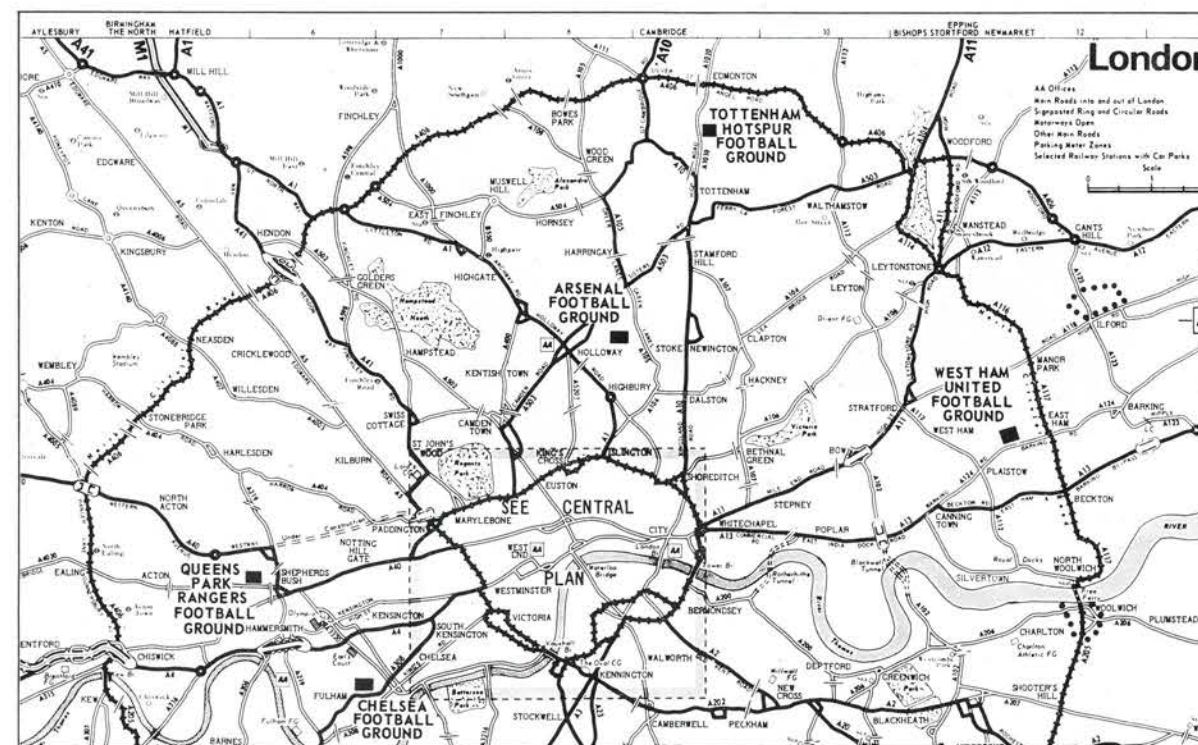
Through Hendon Central and after two and a half miles at T-road turn right into Finchley Road through Swiss Cottage, following signs West End A41 and at roundabout just after St. John's Wood, take second exit into Park Road and at end bear right into Baker Street.

Drive to Marylebone Circus, over crossroads into Portman Square. Forward into Orchard Street and at end at traffic signals turn right into Oxford Street A40 to Marble Arch. Follow signs Ring Road down Park Lane to Hyde Park Corner.

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Stamford Bridge is one and three-quarter miles on the right.

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Total mileage: 120½ miles.



AROUND & ABOUT

ACCORDING to reports, skipper MIKE BAILEY and BOBBY THOMSON did quite well for themselves for the Football League in last week's game with the League of Ireland in Belfast.

But what a pity the match was played in such conditions. With the World Cup defence in Mexico in 1970 in everyone's minds, let's hope they get another chance to show what they can really do in reasonable conditions.

Apparently, the pitch was so bad that it was almost impossible to string together a few passes and the men in defence were having to drive the ball with all their might to reach their team-mates when normally they could have side-footed it.

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● ON THE WAY to Manchester last week, the lads got out of the coach and walked for a few hundred yards to get a breath of fresh air and to stretch their legs. Imagine their surprise when a car pulled up alongside DUGGIE WOODFIELD and the driver said: "I'd like to give you all a lift, but I've only got room for two". Then it was explained that the coach had not broken down.



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● UNLUCKY winger JOHN FARRINGTON has been sent home to have a complete break from soccer. Injury, sceptic cuts and a nasty abscess have made this promising young man right out of sorts. But knowing his determination he'll be back soon—and fighting fit.

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● NEW NICKNAME for DEREK PARKIN coming up if he continues to improve at cards. "Squeak" does not seem to fit these days—more like "Maverick" Parkin. But then it's only to be expected. "LEGS" WIGNALL is giving him a few hints!

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● RIGHT IN TUNE off the field these days is JOHN HOLSGROVE. He's recently bought himself a new guitar.

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● LEAGUE BIGSHOTS... First Division: Jimmy Greaves (Spurs) 24, Geoff Hurst (West Ham) 20, Joe Royle (Everton) 17, Jeff Astle (W.B.A.) 14, Ian Moore (Forest) 14, Alan Ball (Everton) 14, Martin Peters (West Ham) 14, Bryan Robson (Newcastle) 14. Second Division: Hugh Curran (Norwich) 20, Willie Irvine (Preston) 15, Ken Wagstaffe (Hull) 13, Cliff Jackson (Palace) 12, John Toshack (Cardiff) 12, Jimmy Greenhoff (B'ham) 12. Third Division: Don Rogers (Swindon) 20, George Yardley (Tranmere) 14, Mulvaney (Barrow) 13, Brian Lewis (Luton) 12. Fourth Division: Jim Hall (Peterborough) 15, Talbot (Chester) 14, Banks (Exeter) 13, Ham (Bradford City) 13.

The Social scene

WHO WILL ever forget the fantastic show given by Dave Betton at the Social Club? This act is again with us on February 11th and May of next year and packed houses are assured.

● How rewarding to see one of our own Wolverhampton lads—and a big friend of us all at the Club—making a success of show business. Alistar Jon's recently-released disc is selling like hot cakes and is on sale at the Club. Could this one make the charts?

● After today's match, Kenzie Cantor will be visiting the Club. From all the top TV shows—including the London Palladium

—plus films, radio and theatre, his comedy is sure to tear us up.

● Next Tuesday our variety show includes some of this year's Club Command Performance artists. Topping the bill will be the wonderful Al Thorne. He's a must.

● Friday, December 20th, is quite a diary date—Christmas Carol evening at the Social Club. Joining us will be members of the Wolverhampton Round Table Choir, who will also be collecting for charity. And talking of Christmas, our tree is there to invite you to bring along toys to be given to a local children's home. Please help us to help them.

DOUG MORGAN
Social Club Secretary

DID YOU MISS THIS?

by ALAN WILLIAMS

● The Daily Express man-in-the-Midlands spotlights talking-point Press items.

FOOTBALL CLUB directors rarely receive praise. When a side are doing well the spotlight almost always falls on the manager and the players and few people remember that it was the Board that appointed the manager and found the money for the players.

But when a club strike a bad patch the public generally blames the directors. Sometimes the sympathy for managers is justified, but the directors seldom escape criticism. So it was interesting to note the opinion of J. L. Manning, in the Daily Mail, when he wrote:

SOME boards of directors of successful clubs have been remarkably undistinguished. Many of unsuccessful clubs have been outstanding. Manchester United and Tottenham, for example, have enjoyed little directorial distinction apart from appointing an able manager. What else is there to do? How many are available?

The truth is that football club directors are philanthropists. Every year they must arrange, guarantee, beg or borrow more than a million pounds to keep football going in the great majority of England's football towns.

THEY are, and for no more gratitude than being known as an ignorant lot of butchers and bakers, the subsidisers of the nation's football and, therefore, of its cheapest mass sporting entertainment.

Naturally they are reluctant to go, and we should not kick them too hard or blame them too much. What happens is that very nearly the least able of them are elected to the management of the League's affairs, and the public's prejudice against football club directors is greatly increased.

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● The great build up for England's World Cup defence in Mexico is clearly going to be tough and demanding for the players according to manager Sir Alf Ramsey. As he flew back to London with Peter Lorenzo of The Sun, Sir Alf revealed what he had told the players during the Football League trip to Belfast. Lorenzo wrote:

Sir Alf says: 'I told the players what they must expect in Mexico. I told them of the disciplines they must expect in training and in playing. Of the demands of playing matches at different altitudes, and the consequent stresses that will be placed upon them.'

'I gave them as clear and as detailed a briefing of the Mexican situation as I could. And I told them what I expected from them, in terms of effort, adjustment, styles of playing and an acceptance of things that, for some, might be completely new or, at least, different.'

From now until the squad leave to try and retain the World Cup in 18 months' time, Sir Alf will repeat his Mexican message, ever expanding his theme and intensifying the build-up.

'The more it is in their minds, the more they talk about it among themselves, the better for all of us. But, of course, it will not just end at talk. We must get players conditioned to certain requirements, to discipline themselves to do various things during games.'

'It is a long, gradual process, but then again we have not got a great deal of time. All matches are important, but let us say that from now on every one will be that much more important.'

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● Leeds United have been in some mighty tough battles over the last few years and have come in for plenty of criticism for their hard-as-nails approach. So I will gamble there were quite a few smiles around the League when manager Don Revie revealed that he would recommend withdrawal from the Fairs Cup if his team were again subjected to a repetition of the "crude physical violence and severe provocation" received against Naples. Revie told Bob Oxby of the Daily Telegraph:

'We have been in two finals, one semi-final and now we are in the last 16 in this competition, and I am seriously wondering whether it is worth all the risks.'

'We have had some tough matches in Europe, but never one like this. Six of my players are injured and I believe that several of them were lucky to escape serious injury.'

Jackie Charlton, the England centre-half, said: 'When teams play like Naples did, you feel it is just not worth bothering with this competition. We have won the Fairs' Cup once. Perhaps we should hand it back and let others fight over it.'

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● A couple of weeks ago someone was grumbling to me that football writing was not of the high standard of some sports, so I told him to go and buy Arthur Hopcroft's newly-published book "The Football Man" which has been acclaimed as an outstanding work. And I was taken by the passage from the book picked up by David Miller in the Sunday Telegraph:

'Football matters as poetry does to some people, and alcohol does to others: it engages the personality.'

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● I make no apologies for turning to the Daily Express just in case any Wolves fans missed manager Bill McGarry's comments to me on his arrival at Molineux.

"If Wolves are impatient for success and burning with ambition, then it's just fine by me."

"As I see it, a manager must burn with ambition. Deep inside me I want to win every game in every League."

Results..fixtures..tables

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION 1

| 1968 | | | | |
|-------|----|------------------------------|---------------|-----|
| Aug. | 10 | Ipswich Town | Away (25,940) | 0-1 |
| " | 14 | Manchester City | Away (35,853) | 2-3 |
| " | 17 | QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS | Home (30,858) | 3-1 |
| " | 21 | ARSENAL | Home (36,006) | 0-0 |
| " | 24 | Southampton | Away (19,746) | 1-2 |
| " | 28 | LEICESTER CITY | Home (33,474) | 1-0 |
| " | 31 | STOKE CITY | Home (31,034) | 1-1 |
| Sept. | 4 | League Cup Round 2 SOUTEND | Home (18,667) | 1-0 |
| " | 7 | Leeds United | Away (31,277) | 1-2 |
| " | 14 | SUNDERLAND | Home (27,212) | 1-1 |
| " | 21 | West Bromwich Albion | Away (35,790) | 0-0 |
| " | 25 | League Cup Round 3 MILLWALL | Home (17,466) | 5-1 |
| " | 28 | LIVERPOOL | Home (39,803) | 0-6 |
| Oct. | 5 | Coventry City | Away (39,271) | 1-0 |
| " | 9 | Leicester City | Away (27,048) | 0-2 |
| " | 12 | CHELSEA | Home (27,810) | 1-1 |
| " | 16 | League Cup Round 4 Blackpool | Away (18,466) | 1-2 |
| " | 19 | Sheffield Wednesday | Away (23,928) | 2-0 |
| " | 26 | EVERTON | Home (34,744) | 1-2 |
| Nov. | 2 | Nottingham Forest | Away (19,490) | 0-0 |
| " | 9 | WEST HAM UNITED | Home (29,704) | 2-0 |
| " | 16 | Burnley | Away (20,848) | 1-1 |
| " | 23 | NEWCASTLE UNITED | Home (25,425) | 5-0 |
| " | 30 | Manchester United | Away (49,764) | 0-2 |
| Dec. | 7 | TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR | Home | 2-0 |
| " | 14 | Chelsea | Away | |
| " | 21 | SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY | Home | |
| " | 26 | COVENTRY CITY | Home | |
| " | 28 | Everton | Away | |
| 1969 | | | | |
| Jan. | 4 | F.A. Cup Round 3 | | |
| " | 11 | NOTTINGHAM FOREST | Home | |
| " | 18 | West Ham United | Away | |
| " | 25 | F.A. Cup Round 4 | | |
| Feb. | 1 | BURNLEY | Home | |
| " | 8 | Newcastle United | Away | |
| " | 15 | MANCHESTER UNITED | Home | |
| " | 22 | Tottenham Hotspur | Away | |
| Mar. | 1 | IPSWICH TOWN | Home | |
| " | 8 | Queen's Park Rangers | Away | |
| " | 15 | SOUTHAMPTON | Home | |
| " | 22 | Stoke City | Away | |
| " | 29 | LEEDS UNITED | Home | |
| April | 5 | Liverpool | Away | |
| " | 7 | Arsenal | Away | |
| " | 8 | MANCHESTER CITY | Home | |
| " | 12 | WEST BROMWICH ALBION | Home | |
| " | 19 | Sunderland | Away | |

Mersey men lead way

| | Goals | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
| Liverpool | 21 | 14 | 4 | 3 | 40 | 13 | 32 |
| Everton | 21 | 12 | 6 | 3 | 48 | 18 | 30 |
| Leeds United | 20 | 12 | 6 | 2 | 29 | 17 | 30 |
| Arsenal | 20 | 10 | 7 | 3 | 23 | 12 | 27 |
| West Ham United | 21 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 42 | 24 | 26 |
| Chelsea | 21 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 36 | 22 | 25 |
| Tottenham Hotspur | 20 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 38 | 29 | 23 |
| West Bromwich Albion | 21 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 33 | 36 | 23 |
| Burnley | 21 | 10 | 3 | 8 | 29 | 35 | 23 |
| Sheffield Wednesday | 20 | 7 | 8 | 5 | 25 | 24 | 22 |
| Newcastle United | 21 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 30 | 31 | 20 |
| Manchester United | 20 | 6 | 8 | 6 | 24 | 26 | 20 |
| Southampton | 21 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 28 | 33 | 20 |
| WOLVES | 21 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 23 | 25 | 19 |
| Sunderland | 21 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 24 | 37 | 19 |
| Manchester City | 21 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 30 | 30 | 17 |
| Ipswich Town | 21 | 6 | 5 | 10 | 28 | 33 | 17 |
| Stoke City | 21 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 19 | 31 | 15 |
| Coventry City | 21 | 3 | 6 | 12 | 19 | 35 | 12 |
| Leicester City | 21 | 3 | 6 | 12 | 18 | 42 | 12 |
| Nottingham Forest | 19 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 24 | 33 | 11 |
| Queen's Park Rangers | 20 | 3 | 5 | 12 | 24 | 47 | 11 |

(Up to and including November 30th)

CENTRAL LEAGUE

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'Busby Boys' set pace

| | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. | Goals |
|----------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| Manchester United | 21 | 13 | 6 | 2 | 40 | 22 | 32 | |
| Liverpool | 21 | 12 | 6 | 3 | 38 | 11 | 30 | |
| Burnley | 22 | 10 | 6 | 6 | 34 | 26 | 26 | |
| Newcastle United | 19 | 11 | 3 | 5 | 28 | 17 | 25 | |
| West Bromwich Albion | 20 | 10 | 4 | 6 | 34 | 24 | 24 | |
| WOLVES | 20 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 28 | 26 | 22 | |
| Everton | 21 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 19 | 24 | 22 | |
| Stoke City | 18 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 23 | 17 | 21 | |
| Preston North End | 20 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 24 | 25 | 20 | |
| Aston Villa | 20 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 25 | 31 | 20 | |
| Sheffield United | 19 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 31 | 21 | 19 | |
| Bury | 20 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 27 | 29 | 19 | |
| Leeds United | 20 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 18 | 23 | 19 | |
| Nottingham Forest | 18 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 34 | 31 | 18 | |
| Manchester City | 19 | 9 | 0 | 10 | 32 | 29 | 18 | |
| Sheffield Wednesday | 20 | 6 | 5 | 9 | 23 | 27 | 17 | |
| Bolton Wanderers | 20 | 7 | 3 | 10 | 23 | 35 | 17 | |
| Blackpool | 21 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 38 | 42 | 16 | |
| Huddersfield Town | 20 | 7 | 2 | 11 | 22 | 38 | 16 | |
| Blackburn Rovers | 21 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 29 | 42 | 15 | |
| Derby County | 19 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 17 | 25 | 14 | |
| Coventry City | 19 | 1 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 35 | 8 | |

WOLVESTATISTICS

Match Digest

Saturday, November 23rd

First Division v Newcastle United (H) 5-0

Parkes ; Parkin, Thomson ; Bailey, Woodfield, Holsgrove ;
Wignall (Kenning), Knowles, Dougan, Wilson, Wagstaffe.
SCORERS: Knowles (2), Dougan (2), Wignall.

Central League v Manchester United (A) 0-0

Boswell; Taylor, McVeigh; Hibbitt, Galvin, McAlle;
McDonald, Thompson, Clarke, Ross, Lutton.

West Midland League v Bedworth (A) 1–0

Wealands; Farrell, Stephens; Jackson, P. Nicholls,
Wade; P. Wilson, Seal, W. Nicholls, Molyneux, Riley.
SCORER: Seal.

Midland Combination v Blakenall (H) 0-1

Crudgington; Dams, Cooke; Cornock, Lawton,
Hemphill; Pepper, Williams, Davies, Fisher, Wilson.

Tuesday, November 26th

F.A. Youth Cup Round II v Stoke (H) 0-4

Arnold; Farrell, Stephens; Jackson, P. Nicholls, Wade;
McDonald, Seal, W. Nicholls, Molyneux, Jones (Pepper).

Saturday, November 30th

First Division v Manchester United (A) 0-2

Parkes ; Parkin, Thomson ; Bailey, Woodfield (Kenning),
Holsgrove ; Wignall, Knowles, Dougan, Wilson, Wagstaffe.

Central League v Newcastle United (H) 0-0

Boswell; Taylor, McVeigh; Jackson, Galvin, Ross; McDonald, Thompson, Clarke, Walker, Lutton.

West Midland League v Dudley Town (H) 0-1

Williams; Farrell, Stephens; Molyneux, P. Nicholls,
Wade; Pepper, Kent, W. Nicholls, Hemphill, Jones.

Midland Combination v Alcester Town (A) 3–8

Wealands; Fisher, Cooke; Cornock, Lawton, Woodhouse; Davenport, Williams, Eastoe, Evans, Wilson.

SCORERS: Davenport, Fisher, Eastoe.

TOP TWENTY CROWD PULLERS

| | | |
|----|---------------------------|--------|
| 1 | Manchester United (1) | 54,516 |
| 2 | Liverpool (2) | 48,417 |
| 3 | Everton (3) | 48,235 |
| 4 | Arsenal (6) | 39,905 |
| 5 | Chelsea (9) | 39,314 |
| 6 | Tottenham Hotspur (4) | 39,054 |
| 7 | Leeds United (10) | 36,531 |
| 8 | Manchester City (7) | 36,377 |
| 9 | Coventry City (11) | 34,038 |
| 10 | Newcastle United (13) | 33,329 |
| 11 | WOLVES (8) | 31,555 |
| 12 | West Ham United (15) | 30,950 |
| 13 | Sunderland (14) | 30,294 |
| 14 | Sheffield Wednesday (12) | 29,285 |
| 15 | West Bromwich Albion (17) | 27,977 |
| 16 | Birmingham City (16) | 26,582 |
| 17 | Leicester City (20) | 26,098 |
| 18 | Derby County (—) | 25,618 |
| 19 | Ipswich Town (—) | 25,569 |
| 20 | Nottingham Forest (5) | 23,321 |

*Figure in parenthesis indicates the positions in gates table at the corresponding time last season.

Appearances

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

| | League | | | | League Cup | | | Totals | | |
|-----------------|--------|-----|-----|---------|------------|-----|-----|--------|-----|-----|
| | app | sub | gls | agg app | app | sub | gls | app | sub | gls |
| John Holsgrove | 21 | – | – | 111 | 3 | – | – | 24 | – | – |
| Derek Parkin | 21 | – | – | 36 | 3 | – | – | 24 | – | – |
| Dave Woodfield | 21 | – | – | 225 | 3 | – | – | 24 | – | – |
| Mike Bailey | 20 | – | 3 | 113 | 3 | – | – | 23 | – | 3 |
| Peter Knowles | 20 | – | 5 | 144 | 3 | – | – | 23 | – | 5 |
| Derek Dougan | 18 | – | 7 | 67 | 3 | – | 1 | 21 | – | 8 |
| Les Wilson | 17 | – | – | 33 | 3 | – | – | 20 | – | – |
| Frank Wignall | 16 | – | 5 | 28 | 2 | – | – | 18 | – | 5 |
| Dave Wagstaffe | 15 | – | 1 | 139 | 1 | – | 1 | 16 | – | 2 |
| Mike Kenning | 13 | 5 | – | 30 | 2 | – | 1 | 15 | 5 | 1 |
| Phil Parkes | 13 | – | – | 55 | 1 | – | – | 14 | – | – |
| Bobby Thomson | 13 | 2 | – | 267 | – | 2 | – | 13 | 4 | – |
| John Farrington | 12 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 3 | – | 3 | 15 | 1 | 4 |
| Alan Boswell | 8 | – | – | 8 | – | – | – | 8 | – | – |
| Frank Munro | 4 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 1 | – | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2 |
| John McAlle | – | 5 | – | 1 | – | – | – | – | 5 | – |
| Stewart Ross | – | 3 | – | 1 | – | – | – | – | 3 | – |
| Derek Clarke | – | 1 | – | – | – | – | – | – | 1 | – |
| Paul Walker | – | 1 | – | – | – | – | – | – | 1 | – |
| Evan Williams | – | – | – | 12 | 2 | – | – | 2 | – | – |

*Also played: Alun Evans (1 match)

CENTRAL LEAGUE

| | App. | Goals |
|-----------------|------|-------|
| David Galvin | 20 | 1 |
| Derek Clarke | 19 | 6 |
| Gerry Taylor | 19 | — |
| John McAlle | 15 | 1 |
| Ian McDonald | 14 | 2 |
| Stewart Ross | 14 | — |
| Paul Walker | 13 | 1 |
| Evan Williams | 13 | — |
| Bob Lutton | 12 | 1 |
| Jimmy Seal | 11 | 4 |
| Jim McVeigh | 11 | — |
| Frank Munro | 8 | 2 |
| Brian Thompson | 8 | — |
| Granville Riley | 6 | 1 |
| John Farrington | 5 | — |
| Phil Parkes | 5 | — |
| Tony Jackson | 5 | — |
| Les Wilson | 4 | — |
| Mike Kenning | 2 | 1 |
| Bobby Thomson | 2 | 1 |
| Dave Wagstaffe | 2 | 1 |
| Frank Wignall | 2 | — |
| Alan Boswell | 2 | — |
| Peter Knowles | 1 | — |
| Ken Hibbitt | 1 | — |

*Also played : Alun Evans 5 matches, 6 goals.

HALF-TIME SCORES

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| | |
|----------|---|
| A | ARSENAL EVERTON |
| B | IPSWICH TOWN WEST BROMWICH ALBION |
| C | LEEDS UNITED SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY |
| D | LEICESTER CITY MANCHESTER UNITED |
| E | LIVERPOOL WEST HAM UNITED |
| F | MANCHESTER CITY BURNLEY |
| G | QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS COVENTRY CITY |
| H | SOUTHAMPTON NOTTINGHAM FOREST |
| J | STOKE CITY NEWCASTLE UNITED |
| K | SUNDERLAND CHELSEA |
| L | ASTON VILLA CHARLTON ATHLETIC |
| M | BLACKBURN ROVERS HUDDERSFIELD TOWN |
| N | BLACKPOOL MIDDLESBROUGH |
| P | BOLTON WANDERERS PORTSMOUTH |
| Q | BRISTOL CITY BURY |
| R | DERBY COUNTY NORWICH CITY |
| S | FULHAM CARDIFF CITY |
| T | HULL CITY CRYSTAL PALACE |
| U | MILWALL CARLISLE UNITED |
| V | SHEFFIELD UNITED BIRMINGHAM CITY |
| W | ST. ALBANS WALSALL |
| X | SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY RES. WOLVES RESERVES |

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