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RANGERS v  
WEALDSTONE**

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## Bush Telegraph

Our first game in 1978 probably provides Rangers with a much-needed break from a run of very depressing League results. With any luck (of which there has been precious little lately!) we turned the corner at Villa Park last Saturday with an excellent second-half fight-back to take a point from Aston Villa. Well, we shall see. Meanwhile an F.A. Cup fixture could bring back some of the entertainment that has been missing from our League fixtures during that really shocking month of December 1977.

According to the Football Pools pundits, Rangers' task against non-League opponents is so easy that the hardest part of this afternoon for us will be when we are waiting to see whom we draw in the next round! Don't you believe a word of it. Non-League Football has been steadily rising in standard over the last decade as proved by the successes of such teams as Oxford United and Hereford United on promotion to the Football League. Wealdstone, whom we welcome to Rangers Stadium this afternoon, are going through a fine spell and have already disposed of League opposition in this season's F.A. Cup Competition with ease. Today's game, as they have already told us, is the equivalent of reaching the F.A. Cup Final at Wembley for them - and we have no doubt that they will play exactly as if this were the case! On the other hand, Rangers must go all out for victory in this match as we are greatly in need of a victory to keep our morale high for the remainder of this season's First Division fixtures. It all points to a great Cup Tie and an enjoyable afternoon for everyone.

### Special Replay Announcement

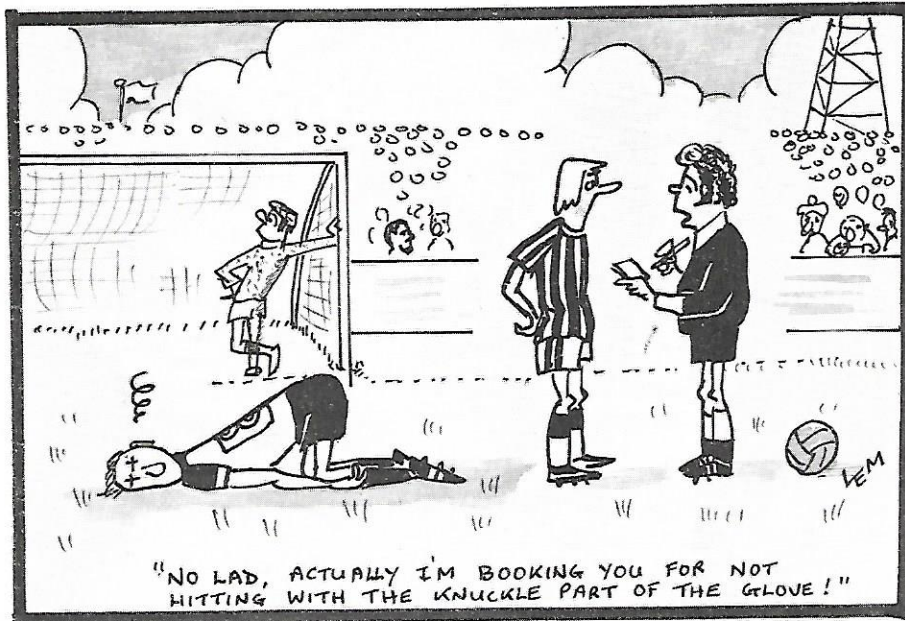
Please note that, if today's game ends in a draw, the replay will take place at this ground on Tuesday 10th January 1978 (K.O. 7.30 p.m.) as our opponents would prefer to stage the tie here. In this event, tickets for the replay would be on sale at our Box Office immediately after today's game but Season Ticket Holders possessing Cup Tie Vouchers would use Voucher No. 2 to gain admission.

## HOT SHOT!

A scorcher from John Hollins sings Ashley Grimes' boot (almost) during the home game against Manchester United.



# SOCCARTOON by Len Marshall



## APPEARANCES & SCORERS

(Figures in parenthesis represent goals scored)

FIRST TEAM (Division One, F.L. Cup)	RESERVE TEAM (Football Combination)	JUNIOR TEAM (SEC League, SEL Cup, S.JF Cup, FA Youth Cup)
(Up to and including 2nd January 1977)	(Up to and including 2nd January 1978)	
Abbott..... 9	Abbott..... 10 (3)	Allen ..... 12 (18)
Bowles..... 25 (2)	Allen ..... 15 (5)	Baker ..... 18
Busby..... 10 (1)	Busby..... 3 (1)	Chisholm..... 4
Clement ..... 15	Cunningham ..... 17 (1)	Docker ..... 19 (2)
Cunningham ..... 9	Docker ..... 4 (1)	Fearon..... 7
Eastoe..... 20 (6)	Fearon..... 1	Gammer..... 17
Francis ..... 12 (2)	Francis ..... 4 (2)	Goddard..... 11 (7)
Gillard ..... 22	Gillard ..... 1	Hall ..... 2
Givens..... 26 (4)	Goddard..... 14 (7)	Heath ..... 1
Hollins..... 24	Hale ..... 22 (3)	Hill ..... 18 (1)
James ..... 11 (1)	Haverson ..... 21	Hucker ..... 14
Leach ..... 6	Hucker ..... 6	Maney ..... 18 (2)
McGee ..... 3 (1)	Jones ..... 19	Mount ..... 13
Parke ..... 16	Leach ..... 9 (1)	Neal ..... 1
Richardson..... 10	Maney..... 2	Plaskett..... 5
Shanks ..... 19 (1)	Martin..... 20	Richards..... 10 (4)
Wallace..... 7	McGee..... 5 (1)	Robinson..... 5 (1)
Williams..... 14	Nutt ..... 12 (3)	Silman ..... 2
Howe ..... 5	Perkins..... 16 (2)	Tuite..... 14 (8)
	Richards..... 5	Waddock..... 20
	Richardson..... 14	Wilkins D..... 5
	Shanks..... 5	Wilkins J..... 17
	Wallace..... 13 (1)	
	Williams..... 9 (5)	
	Wilkins J..... 1	

## New Dog Star!

Obviously not Stan Bowles' favourite breed of dog but, nevertheless, he had pleasure in presenting an autographed match ball to Ali, star of the RAF Police Dog team, at a recent match.

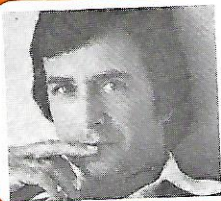


## When Did You Last See Her Father?

Another in our series of Rangers' players' children to see if you can guess which member of the team is the father. If you can't guess, the answer is on Page 18.



# THE MICHAEL



Michael Wale is Sports Correspondent for "Thames At Six", ITV's nightly news magazine. He also presents a special sports preview on Friday nights at 6 p.m. Throughout this season he is writing a series of interviews with the various players and personalities at Rangers.

Michael Wale is not with us this week as his television work has had to take priority. Instead we bring you one of his articles that we have printed before but, as it concerns the always topical subject of "Crowd Support", we felt that it would make good reading again at this particular time.

First the facts: There were 17,045 people at Tuesday night's League Cup game against Bristol Rovers. Loftus Road's biggest crowd of the season.

Now the emotion: The match was nearly won by YOU the crowd. Not for many seasons has that famous Rangers' roar so lifted the team. Everyone afterwards was talking about the crowd. Even the referee Mr. Thomas from Glamorgan? Referees, contrary to what many people think, are human and after a game like to relax like anyone else. As Mr. Thomas was off duty at the time it would not be fair to quote him, suffice it to say that he was very complimentary towards the crowd, and when told the official 'gate' figure was amazed because he thought there were double the number of people because of the noise.

Then there were the players. In the dressing room afterwards they were amazed at the sudden awakening of the mighty Rangers' roar. Phil Parkes told me on Wednesday morning: "It gives you a lift, definitely. It seemed there were so many there. They got on to us when we weren't doing well and quite

rightly, but then in the second half they got behind us. It really lifts a player and a team when that happens. After we scored and we were going at them for the last few minutes you couldn't hear yourself think."

Gordon Jago, our manager, was also praising the crowd. Often in the past this programme has asked for your support. It might seem a stereotyped appeal aimed at every football supporter by every club. Not so. In London I have only really heard this team-lifting roar down in the East End with West Ham, and at Loftus Road. Its value to the club is immense. Referees and others involved with the game will tell you they have seen 'away' teams go to bits under the strain of a crowd rooting for its own side.

Bill Dodgin senior, the ageless and charming manager of Bristol Rovers, was in no doubt that the crowd made his team panic in the second half: "Until then we were playing football. Then they started booting the ball around."

Most people have no doubt that as Bristol back-pedalled under that mounting crescendo of sound it was the crowd who forced their keeper Dick Shepherd into the fatal error of the night when he stepped outside his area. The result was Rodney Marsh's goal from the free kick, in the 85th minute.

There's a lot of psychology about football. Players train every day of the week for month after month. It is a job. Just as you need a 'lift' at work every now and again so do players. Management can supply,

# WALE REPORT



**WE ARE THE GREATEST**

At least one very happy supporter appears in this photo! (Photo: Colorsport)

and does, much of this but in the end it is the crowd that can really help make a player or a team. You only have to go to Anfield and hear the Kop in full song to know that. Players will tell you that the Kop can make an opposing player make an error, so great is their will power. And the instant bellowing roar when a Liverpool player so much as touches a ball in a 'needle' game gives that player a yard extra in speed. The crowd can lift a team when it is searching for its second wind, it can also destroy. There has been at least one Rangers' player over the past years who has literally shaken with nerves out on the pitch as the crowd sapped away his confidence. Therefore, it is a respon-

sibility to be a Rangers supporter? There is no doubt in my mind, after seeing many other Second Division teams this season, that Rangers are well into the promotion race, especially when you look at the fixture list and note that five of our last seven games are at home. I always remember at Brisbane Road the last match of the 1961-62 season when the Orient had to win to go up to the First Division. At half time there came over the loudspeaker the nearest thing to an incitement to mutiny I've heard: "You've got to yell this other team off the pitch." said the voice. They did. Orient went up. That's what being a crowd is all about?

# TONY PULLEIN



Well, this is the big one for Wealdstone! Few non-League clubs have more thoroughly deserved their place in today's third round of the F.A. Cup and the chance it gives them to equal a competition record. For, perish the thought, if the Stones should win this tie they would be claiming their third Football League scalp in one season – a feat never bettered in more than a century of Cup football.

No one here at The Bush should be foolish enough to write off that possibility. Wealdstone may be only moderately placed in the premier division of the Southern League but they have produced some mighty impressive F.A. Cup performances already this season.

After beating Maidstone 2-1 in the fourth qualifying round, they were drawn at home to Hereford United – the club whose famous Cup feats only quite recently earned them League status. That was the first time Wealdstone had met League opposition on their Lower Mead ground in the F.A. Cup, though this was the seventh time they had survived to the first round proper.

Hereford came out of that game with a 0-0 draw and, having missed one or two chances, felt very confident of success in the replay. When Hereford took the lead in the second minute it was probably the worst thing that could have happened to them for they lapsed into a state of over-confidence, the Stones came ranting back with three goals and, though Hereford pulled one back late in the game, they could not recover their

rhythm.

A home tie with Reading in the second round gave Wealdstone the chance of revenge for they had been beaten narrowly (0-1) by the Biscuitmen at Elm Park the previous season.

The Stones certainly made a spectacular start with a Keith Furphy goal after only five minutes – direct from a corner!

The Stones' second goal was also a little unorthodox in the sense that George Duck converted a penalty only at the second attempt. But this is how cup-ties are won and who knows what extraordinary incidents may be in store for us today?

For older Wealdstone fans, today's trip to The Bush must rank as equal to the occasion their heroes played at Wembley in the 1966 F.A. Amateur Cup final.

They met Hendon before a 45,000 crowd and, when Hendon took the lead after only five minutes, the Stones looked a beaten side. But they levelled the scores late in the game and then made a sensational finish with two goals in the last three minutes to win 3-1.

The Wealdstone club was founded in 1900 but it was over half a century before they claimed their first major success in senior amateur circles. In 1952 they won the championship of the Athenian League.

They joined the Southern League in 1971 when the competition was enlarged and spent their first campaign in the regionalised northern section of the lower division. After a year they switched to the

southern section and, in only their third season in the competition, they won the championship of their section by 11 points and, with it, promotion to the Premier Division.

George Duck hit 41 goals that season – 19 more than his closest rival in the division.

Luck was with them in 1976 when they finished fourth from bottom. Normally they would have been relegated but the resignation of Dunstable created an extra vacancy to save their bacon.

Much of the credit for Wealdstone's success this season must go to manager Alan Fogarty who succeeded Geoff Coleman only this year. Mr Fogarty was originally appointed only on a temporary basis but results showed such a quick improvement that he was given the job permanently.

A qualified F.A. Coach, Mr Fogarty spent a great deal of time checking on new players and the present team includes many of the men he has signed over the past few months.

Though he has already rewarded the club for its confidence by guiding them to victory over Football League clubs for the first time in its history, he is ambitious for bigger things.

This was not, perhaps, the draw we might have chosen. For everyone knows we are on a hiding to nothing. We all know that a First Division club *should* beat a Southern League side but it doesn't always work out like that.

# WEALDSTONE

# DEREK BUXTON



Today's match will be QPR's 3,060th professional match; our 213th appearance in this competition; and the first time that we have played Wealdstone.

QPR will be trying to improve on quite an impressive home record in this competition lately. We are unbeaten in our last 4 home cup matches, and have only been beaten once in our last 10 homes matches; this was in 1974 when we lost 0-2 to Leicester City in the 6th round tie.

The last time that we met a non-league side at Loftus Road was in 1973, when Barnet held us to a 0-0 draw (we won the replay 3-0).

Other non-league sides to visit here have not fared quite so well. We beat Poole Town 3-2 in 1966, Guildford City 3-0 in 1965, Bath City 2-0 in 1964, Hinkley Athletic 7-2 in 1962, Barry Town 7-0 in 1961, Walthamstow Avenue 3-2 in 1960, Clapton 3-1 in 1957, Dorchester 4-0 in 1956.

In away matches, the last time we lost to a non league side was that dreadful day in 1957 when we were beaten 6-1 at Hereford. The defeat then, and our defeat by Walthamstow Avenue in 1954 (in the second replay) are our only defeats by non league sides in 42 years (in 26 matches against them).

We haven't scored more than 4 goals at home in this competition for 15 years (23 matches). The last time we scored 4 at Loftus Road was in 1970 when we beat South Shields.

Our record home victory in this competition is 7-0. We have achieved this twice. On 3rd November 1900

we beat Fulham by this score, and on 6th November 1961 we beat Barry Town by a similar score. We also beat Hinkley Athletic 7-2 on 24th November 1962. Our record score in this competition, strangely enough was achieved away from home. On 27th November 1937 we beat Bristol Rovers 8-1 on their ground.

Should a QPR player score a hat-trick, it would be the first time since 26th November 1966 when Rodney Marsh scored all three goals against Poole Town.

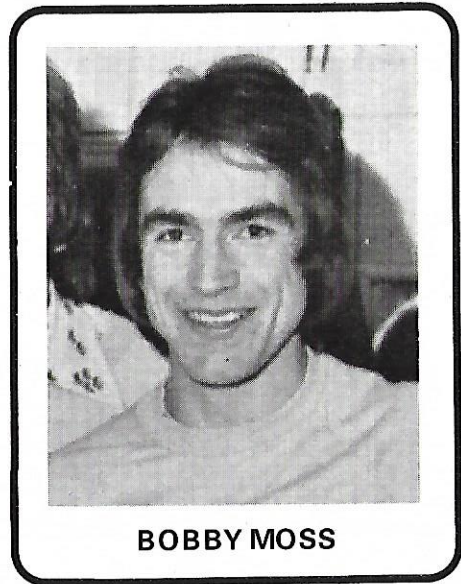
18 hat-tricks have been recorded by QPR players in the 212 games played so far.

Two QPR players have scored 4 goals in a cup match. On 20th November 1901, Millar scored all 4 goals against West Norwood, and on 29th November 1924 Myers scored all 4 goals against Clapton Orient.

Should this match go to a replay, QPR would then have to attempt to win away for the first time in 8 matches. Our last away victory in this competition was on 3rd February 1973, when we beat Oxford United 2-0.

Of our current playing staff, Don Givens is our leading scorer in this competition with 8 goals. Stan Bowles has scored 5, Mick Leach and Dave Clement have each scored 3 and Ian Gillard and Gerry Francis have scored once.

3 players have appeared in 20 or more F.A. Cup matches for the club. Dave Clement has played in 24, Mick Leach in 22, and Phil Parkes in 20.



BOBBY MOSS

Our Statistics Wizard has assembled one of the best collections of club records in the Football League and uses it to look back on the other times we have played today's visitors.



# QUEENS PARK RANGERS

## WEALDSTONE

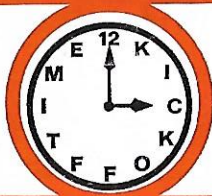
### QUEENS PARK RANGERS

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Manager: Frank Sibley  
Assistant Manager: Derek Healy  
Substitute:

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|                                       | 1<br><b>PHIL PARKES</b>  |                              |
| 2<br><b>DON SHANKS</b>                |                          | 3<br><b>IAN GILLARD</b>      |
| 4<br><b>JOHN HOLLINS</b><br>(Captain) | 5<br><b>ERNIE HOWE</b>   | 6<br><b>TOMMY CUNNINGHAM</b> |
| 8<br><b>GERRY FRANCIS</b>             | 10<br><b>STAN BOWLES</b> |                              |
| 7<br><b>EIGHTON JAMES</b>             | 9<br><b>PETER EASTOE</b> | 11<br><b>DON GIVENS</b>      |

Referee:  
Mr. R. Crabb



Linesmen:  
Mr. G. Rigby  
Yellow Flag  
Mr. E. Hopper  
Red Flag

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| 11<br><b>BOBBY MOSS</b>  | 9<br><b>KEITH FURPHY</b>    | 7<br><b>PAT FERRY</b>   |
| 10<br><b>GEORGE DUCK</b> | 8<br><b>STEVE BRINKMAN</b>  |                         |
| 6<br><b>FRED BARWICK</b> | 5<br><b>DAVID PARRATT</b>   | 4<br><b>JOHN WATSON</b> |
| 3<br><b>PAUL THOMAS</b>  | 2<br><b>ALAN FURSDON</b>    |                         |
|                          | 1<br><b>CHRIS LIGHTFOOT</b> |                         |

Manager: Alan Fogarty  
Substitute: Nicky Griffiths

Colours:  
Yellow Shirts  
Yellow Shorts

## WEALDSTONE

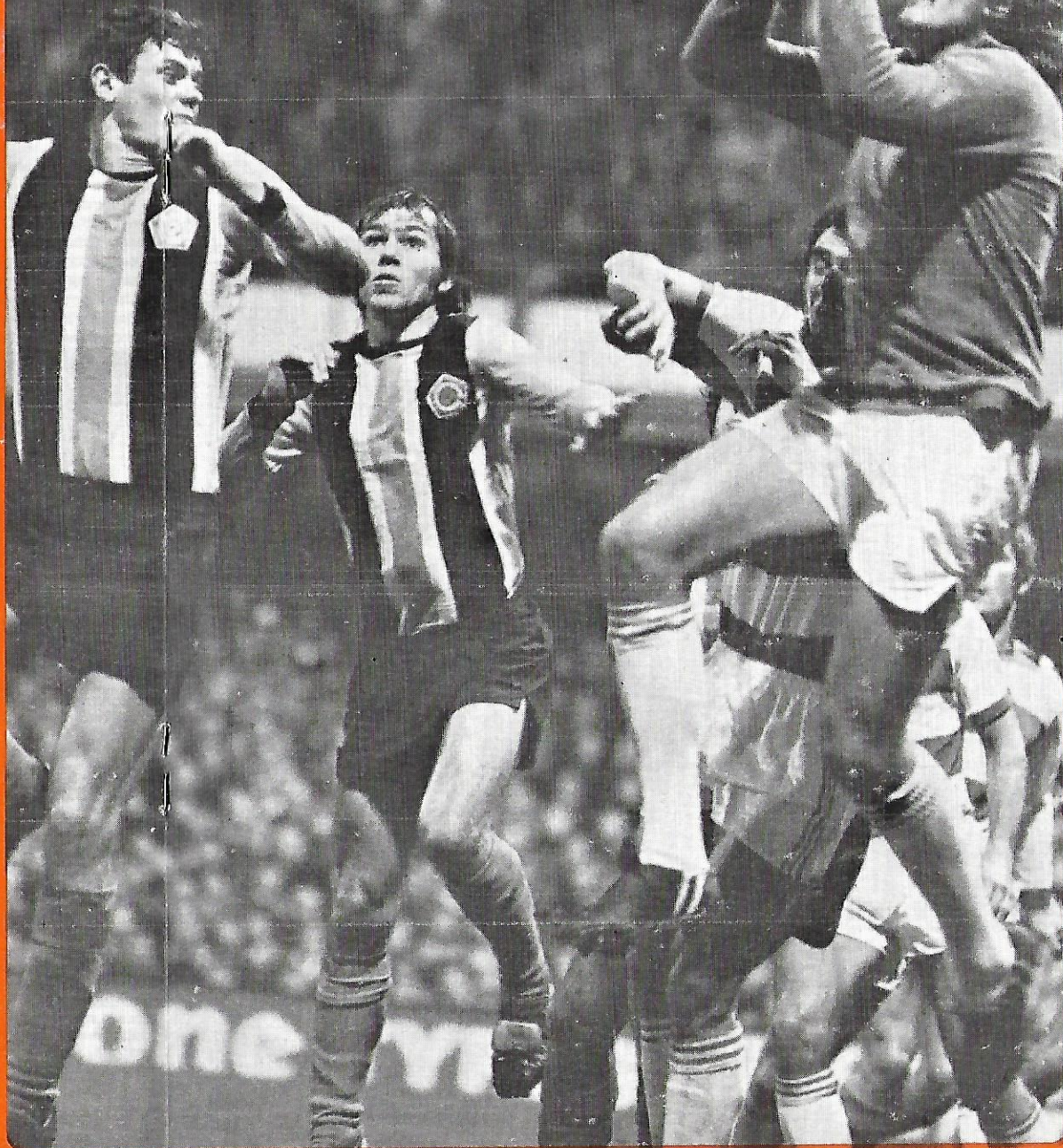
RESULT—QPR

WEALDSTONE

### Man in the Middle

This week's featured player is goalie Phil Parkes seen here in fine form during the UEFA Cup game against Slovan Bratislava before he sustained the injury which made him miss so many matches this season.

(Photo: Colorsport)





Back Row left to right: I. Cranstone, J. Watson, A. Fursdon, G. Duck, C. Lightfoot, B. Moss, D. Parratt. Front Row left to right: P. Thomas, F. Barwick, S. Brinkman, B. Finch.  
(Photo: Harrow Observer).

# WEALDSTONE

## **CHRIS LIGHTFOOT** (Goalkeeper)

Chris joined Wealdstone from Southern League Romford mid-way through last season and is a player of considerable experience in non-League circles. He has been performing with outstanding confidence during the Stones' great Cup run.

## **IAN CRANSTONE** (Goalkeeper)

Young Ian joined the club at the beginning of this season and, though he has made a few first-team appearances, he has been kept out by Lightfoot's consistency. But he has obvious potential and at least one League club is keen to sign him.

## **ALAN FURSDON** (Defender)

Alan suffered severely with ankle injuries while with his previous club, Southern League Dover, but he has now fully recovered and holding the right-back position. Wealdstone signed him last season.

## **STEVE HOCKHAM** (Defender)

Steve signed for Crystal Palace as an apprentice last season but was released this term to link up with Wealdstone.

## **JOHN WATSON** (Defender/Midfield)

John, now in his fourth season with Wealdstone, has been appointed captain. He was once with Orient as an apprentice and, while at Brisbane Road, he won England youth honours.

## **DAVID PARRATT** (Defender)

David is likely to be playing in the centre of Wealdstone's defence though he has only quite recently switched to this position. He joined the club from Bedford Town last season.

## **PAUL THOMAS** (Defender)

Paul is the Stones' left-back. They signed him last March from Walthamstow Avenue.

## **FRED BARWICK** (Defender)

Fred was with Spurs for five years before signing for Wealdstone this season. He initially went to White Hart Lane as a schoolboy in 1972 and later served his apprenticeship with them. He turned professional in October 1975.

## **MICKY GRIFFITHS** (Midfield)

Micky is highly experienced in Southern League circles, having been with several clubs. Wealdstone signed him in the middle of last season from Hillingdon Borough.

## **STEVE BRINKMAN** (Midfield)

Steve joined Wealdstone from Arsenal mid-way through last season. He had been signed by the Gunners originally as a schoolboy in December 1973 and in June 1975 he became an apprentice.

## **BOBBY FINCH** (Midfield)

Bobby returns to familiar surroundings today for it was with us that he began his professional career. He is, in fact, one of only two Wealdstone players with League experience, having made his bow with us in 1967/68. He also played a few games for us in the First Division a year later. Bobby then decided to take off for South Africa, where he joined Cape Town. He returned to England to sign for Maidstone United and later signed for Gravesend. He joined Wealdstone this season.

## Pen Pictures by TONY PULLEIN

## **KEITH FURPHY** (Midfield/Forward)

Keith is another former Ranger. He spent last season with us after an earlier spell at Ipswich. He has been enjoying an enormously successful season with Wealdstone and it was one of his goals that put the Stones on the road to victory over Reading in the last round. Keith is the son of former Watford and Sheffield United manager Ken Furphy.

## **GEORGE DUCK** (Forward)

George has smashed all the Stones' scoring records since his arrival from Southend in 1972 and he has now hit more than 220 for the club. It was George's twice-taken penalty that clinched victory over Reading in the second round. Once with Millwall, where he didn't make the League side, George moved to Southend in 1971 and made a few appearances in their Fourth Division side in 1971/72.

## **BOBBY MOSS** (Forward)

Bobby is now in his third season at Lower Mead, having joined them from Barnet. Bobby hit what proved to be the winning goal against Hereford United in the first round of the F.A. Cup this season.

## **PAT FERRY** (Forward)

Pat was Wealdstone's hero in the first round replay at Hereford. The Stones had been trailing to an early goal when Pat struck twice — on either side of the interval — to give the Stones the lead.

*Pat Ferry*

# IT'S A RECORD!

## THE VITAL FACTS ON RECENT GAMES

	v. DERBY COUNTY	v. IPSWICH TOWN
<b>GROUND</b>	Home	Portman Road
<b>DATE</b>	Boxing Day 26th Dec. 1977 (K.O. 3 p.m)	Tuesday 27th December 1977 (K.O. 7.30 p.m.)
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	18917	22317
<b>PLAYING CONDITIONS</b>	Cool and damp Pitch soft and muddy	Showers during match Pitch soft and spongy
<b>FIXTURE DETAILS</b>	Football League Division 1 (11th home game)	Football League Division 1 (11th away game)
<b>TEAMS</b>	QPR (19th in Div 1) DERBY (13th in Div 1)	QPR Ipswich (19th in Div 1) (11th in Div 1)
	Richardson Shanks Gillard Hollins Howe Cunningham James Francis Givens Bowles Eastoe	Middleton Langan Daniel Daly Powell Todd Curran Rioch Masson George Ryan (George and Rioch sent off in 60th minute)
		Richardson Shanks Gillard Hollins Howe Cunningham James Francis Givens Bowles Eastoe (McGee sub. for Eastoe in 70th minute)
		Cooper Burley Tibbott Talbot Hunter Osman Mills Viljoen Marriner Geddis Woods
<b>GOALS</b>		Bowles (pen.) McGee
<b>RESULT</b>	(0) 0	(0) 2
<b>RANGERS REPORT</b>	The most incident-packed no-score draw of the season! The second half Derby sendings-off obscured very fine play by Rangers earlier which deserved a win.	Geddis (2) Mills (1) 3
<b>AND THE PRESS SAID . . .</b>	Apart from criticism of the sending-off incident, the National Press printed no report on this game.	A familiar story as Rangers earned all the compliments for their play but were unable to pick up any points.
		Queens Park Rangers will not be depressed to see the end of 1977, but can look forward to the New Year with much optimism? Yesterday's defeat at Ipswich, which in many ways was self-inflicted, leaves them trapped in the relegation zone. They have now gone nine matches without a win. If they are to escape, they will have to act less generously than they did towards Ipswich. In effect, they made presents of all three goals - although it is perhaps a little harsh to criticise goalkeeper Derek Richardson for the first. Richardson showed remarkable agility in deflecting a thunderous drive from Brian Talbot in the third minute. But he failed to push the ball out of play and David Geddis hit the rebound into the net. It proved an eventful afternoon for him. Ten minutes after his goal, his first since the opening day of the season, he was overcome by nausea. Geddis recovered sufficiently to score Ipswich's third goal, handed to him by Tommy Cunningham in the 70th minute. His pleasure was nothing compared with the joy Rangers had known when Stan Bowles, from the penalty spot, scored their first goal for 411 minutes, to level at 1-1. But Rangers' defence lost their concentration to allow Mick Mills to shoot Ipswich ahead and Geddis had put the game beyond Rangers before substitute Paul McGee scored a late goal. (Malcolm Folley "Daily Express".)

# F.A. CUP SCENE

By Tony Pullein

## Spotlight on the minnows

Today the F.A. Cup really gets under way in earnest as the giants of the First and Second Divisions join the survivors of the earlier rounds. And, though much interest will surround the likes of holders Manchester United, Nottingham Forest and Liverpool, the spotlight today really focusses upon the six remaining non-League clubs.

Apart from the fact that Blyth Spartans will be meeting Enfield – thus guaranteeing at least one non-League participant in round four – the draw was most unkind to all the other giant-killers. All four are away from home today.

But three of them have the chance, albeit very slim, of equalling an F.A. Cup record. Scarborough, Wealdstone and Wigan have already knocked out two Football League clubs and would equal the competition record should they achieve further success today.

Scarborough have ousted two Fourth Division clubs – Rochdale and Crewe – but today face the formidable task of taking on Second Division Brighton at the Goldstone Ground in Sussex.

But Wigan Athletic may not be entirely without hope as they visit First Division Birmingham City, the club managed by former England boss Sir Alf Ramsey. Wigan base their strategy upon a solid defence which saw them chalk up 1-0 victories over both York City and Sheffield Wednesday and Birmingham, after their flourishing beginning to Ramsey's reign, are no great goalscorers themselves.

The most Wigan will be hoping for is a goalless draw. And, if they do manage that and get the Blues back on their own massive Springfield Park ground, then few people would give much for the First Division club's chances.

The side confidently expected to become this season's greatest giant-killers are

Enfield. They lost only one of their opening 26 matches in the Isthmian League and currently lead the table with an astonishing lead of 20 points over their closest rivals!

Enfield proved their worth by slaying Fourth Division side Wimbledon 3-0 in the first round and then went away and beat Northampton at the next stage.

Today they travel north to face fellow non-League Blyth Spartans. Enfield seem certain to win and could have one or two more surprises up their sleeves before they eventually go out.

Indeed, one or two fans have even gone so far as to back Enfield to reach Wembley!

Tilbury are the side which is enjoying its second bite at the Cup apple. They were knocked out by Kettering in the first round but, when it was discovered that their opponents had fielded an ineligible player, the tie had to be replayed.

Tilbury won after a replay and then beat another Southern League side, Nuneaton, in round two. Today they travel to Stoke City with, I fear, very little chance of claiming further honours.

Cup holders Manchester United have not been looking forward to today's visit to Carlisle United – the first-ever meeting of these two clubs in any competition. Robbed of their own supporters because of a ban on away ticket sales – United can expect a hostile reception from some 22,000 Cumbrians' fans.

Lawrie McMenemy, manager of the 1976 winners Southampton, makes a nostalgic journey to Blundell Park at Grimsby today. He was manager of Grimsby when he was recommended to the Saints by Don Revie and, though he maintains that promotion is his sole aim this season, Mr McMenemy will be seeking to avoid any sort of shock exit for the Saints today.



# RANGER TO RANGER

*This is the column that gives you a chance to air your views in print. The replies are by Editor, Ron Phillips. If you have a spare photo, send it along with your letter and we'll try find room for it.*

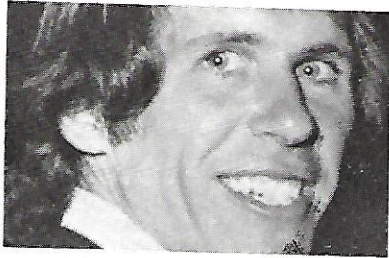
King Khaled Street, Ad Dammam,  
Dear Mr. Ron, Saudi Arabia.

Just I write to say how much I like the Queens Park Rangers. They very popular in Saudi Arabia where have seen the hoopy shirts on T.V. Arab men very like english soccer with such great players as Mick Leach, Stanley Bowles, Andy McCulloch. My favourite is Mick Leach we wish he would come play in Saudi and teach schoolboys play just like himself. Rodney Marsh come to play in Bahrain since two week and many Arabs went fly to see him and the other englishes.

Please print letter in football program and also big picture of Mick Leach my cousin he live to Crown and Septar in Shepherds Bush and he send me program which I show my friends in Saudi.

Good luck the Queens and Mick Leach.  
AHMED R.D.C. FAISAL AL-SHIHA.

★ It's a pleasure to print a photo of Mick Leach as we haven't seen too much of him lately - and they obviously think a lot of him in Saudi Arabia!



28 Cherrydown Rd., Sidcup,  
Dear Mr. Phillips, Kent.

With the coming of the New Year, the present football season fixtures will be half-way completed. And, fortunately, all our early candidates have qualified and are Refereeing in various Junior Leagues throughout the Greater London Area.

This means that all our training schools within the Greater London Area, are now desperately short of new pupils. So, in an endeavour to continue with the training of Junior Referees, we would be grateful if your Club could insert a paragraph or two in the Match Programme some time in January 1978.

This advert for new recruits will enable our training schools to function during the second-half of the present season.

Yours sincerely, F. M. BATESON.

Dear Mr. Phillips,

In your Nottingham Forest programme (22nd Oct. 1977) there is a photo of Dave Needham. The caption says he has just scored a goal against Leicester, which is correct, but there are Chelsea players behind him (e.g. Graham Wilkins). My mates and I are confused. Could you please explain why this is so?

Thankyou,

KAREN LONG, DEBBIE HAWKINS, JULIE HELEY.

P.S. Loyal Supporters of QPR except for Julie who is a Liverpool Supporter. She has just come out of the Looney bin. Up the R's.

★ We're surprised you were confused by this, Karen, Debbie and Julie. Dave Needham was scoring against Leicester before he moved to Derby (and just out of the pictures is Ernie Howe arriving from Fulham). Graham Wilkins had just popped over from Chelsea to applaud the goal and the referee from Somerset was about to disallow it on the grounds that he supports Arsenal. Simple, isn't it? (No, you're quite right; we had slipped and the caption pinpointed the wrong game. We thought we'd got away with this one until you spotted it. Curses!).

#### RANGERS JUNIOR SUPPORTERS

Latest in our series of Rangers' youngest fans is this charming photo of the granddaughter of Mrs E. Hammond, Shepherds Bush. Sorry, we weren't given her name!



# Follow the R's away to

## LEICESTER CITY

ON SATURDAY JANUARY 21st 1978

Tickets for this special to Leicester are available now from the Club Shop.

Price £3.50

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

To Supporters Club Members. The 'Superhoops Magazine' is being discontinued but will be replaced by a Club Newspaper, the first issue of which is due early in February 1978.

*WATCH OUT FOR FURTHER DETAILS*

### IT'S JANUARY SALE TIME AT THE CLUB SHOP

Come along for Bargain Shopping. See our lines – some at below cost – which must be cleared to enable new items to be obtained.

#### SOME EXAMPLES

TIES (Two styles) were £2.25 now only £1.50	GOLA HOODED TOPS were £6.99 now only £5.50
SPORT A RAINPROOF JACKET were £4.00 now only £3.00	RONSON LIGHTERS were £4.25 now only £3.75
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TRAVEL ALARM CLOCKS were £7.50 now only £6.50	BOOK (All-in-the-game) TV SERIES
RONSON TABLE LIGHTER were £7.95 now only £6.00	were £1.25 now only £1.00
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### GOLDEN GOALS

The times of Golden Goals v. Wolverhampton Wanderers on 31st December '77 were:- £50.00 – 22 mins. 22 secs. £5.00 – 42 mins. 42 secs. £5.00 – 55 mins. 19 secs. £5.00 – 65 mins. 55 secs.

# THE FACTS AND

## Football League Division One up to and including 2nd January 1978

P	W	D	L	F	A		W	D	L	F	A	Pts
24	8	4	0	23	6	Nottingham Forest .....	8	1	3	22	9	37
24	7	1	2	28	16	Everton .....	5	5	2	20	12	32
24	9	2	1	18	3	Liverpool .....	4	4	4	14	13	32
24	7	4	1	18	7	Arsenal .....	6	1	5	14	12	31
24	9	1	2	31	10	Manchester City .....	4	3	5	14	14	30
24	8	3	1	20	7	West Bromwich Albion .....	2	5	5	16	23	28
24	7	3	2	28	17	Coventry City .....	4	3	5	16	23	28
24	8	4	0	16	7	Norwich City .....	1	6	5	15	25	28
24	6	4	2	19	12	Leeds United .....	3	4	5	17	20	26
24	5	4	3	18	15	Derby County .....	4	3	5	14	19	25
23	5	2	4	15	11	Aston Villa .....	4	4	4	13	13	24
24	8	2	2	21	13	Ipswich Town .....	0	5	7	4	15	23
24	4	6	3	12	10	Chelsea .....	3	2	6	12	22	22
23	6	1	4	16	14	Manchester United .....	3	2	7	19	24	21
24	4	4	4	16	15	Wolverhampton Wanderers .....	3	3	6	13	19	21
24	5	3	4	20	17	Birmingham City .....	3	1	8	10	21	20
24	4	5	3	13	12	Middlesbrough .....	2	3	7	8	22	20
23	6	2	3	24	18	Bristol City .....	0	5	7	3	13	19
24	3	5	4	15	18	West Ham United .....	2	2	8	13	21	17
24	3	4	5	14	18	<b>QUEENS PARK RANGERS..</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>
23	4	1	7	16	19	Newcastle United .....	2	1	8	11	23	14
24	2	4	6	6	19	Leicester City .....	0	3	9	5	22	11

### FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES

Sat. Aug. 20	Hereford United	1-0
Tues. " 23	<b>ARSENAL</b>	1-0
Sat. " 27	<b>CRYSTAL PALACE</b>	1-0
Sat. Sept. 3	Leicester City	4-0
Sat. " 10	<b>NORWICH CITY</b>	0-1
Tues. " 13	Fulham	1-1
Sat. " 17	West Ham United	3-0
Tues. " 27	<b>SOUTHAMPTON</b>	3-1
Sat. Oct. 1	Oxford United	0-0
Tues. " 4	<b>SWINDON TOWN</b>	8-1
Sat. " 8	Chelsea	0-3
Sat. " 15	<b>BRISTOL CITY</b>	1-1
Tues. " 18	Orient	0-0
Sat. " 22	Plymouth Argyle	0-1
Wed. Nov. 9	Cardiff City	1-2
Wed. " 16	<b>ORIENT</b>	3-1
Tues. " 22	<b>BIRMINGHAM CITY</b>	1-1
Sat. " 26	Ipswich Town	0-1
Sat. Dec. 3	<b>LUTON TOWN</b>	4-1
Tues. " 6	<b>BRISTOL ROVERS</b>	1-1
Tues. " 20	<b>FULHAM</b>	2-0
Sat. " 31	Arsenal	1-0
Sat. Jan. 7	Oxford United	A
Sat. " 14	Crystal Palace	A
Sat. " 21	<b>LEICESTER CITY</b>	H
Sat. Feb. 4	Norwich City	A
Tues. " 14	<b>WEST HAM UNITED</b>	H
Sat. " 18	Southampton	A
Tues. " 21	Bristol City	A
Tues. Mar. 7	<b>CHELSEA</b>	H
Tues. " 14	<b>HEREFORD UNITED</b>	H
Sat. " 18	<b>PLYMOUTH ARGYLE</b>	H
Sat. " 25	Reading	A
Sat. Apr. 1	Birmingham City	A
Tues. " 4	<b>CARDIFF CITY</b>	H
Tues. " 11	<b>IPSWICH TOWN</b>	H
Sat. " 19	Bristol Rovers	A

### WHEN DID YOU LAST SEE HER FATHER?

The little girl in our photo on page five is John Hollins' 2-year-old daughter, Elizabeth.

### THE FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Table of Results to Tues. 3rd Jan. '78 not inc.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Southampton	21	14	2	5	43	19	30
West Ham United	22	12	5	5	42	20	29
<b>QPR</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>
Norwich City	24	10	8	6	30	27	28
Chelsea	23	10	7	6	41	18	27
Ipswich Town	21	11	4	6	36	21	26
Tottenham H.	22	8	10	4	40	26	26
Crystal Palace	22	10	6	6	30	21	26
Leicester City	24	11	4	9	32	26	26
Hereford United	22	11	3	8	39	34	25
Plymouth Argyle	19	10	3	6	29	20	23
Arsenal	22	8	7	7	26	21	23
Birmingham City	23	5	11	7	20	23	21
Fulham	20	6	8	6	25	25	20
Bristol City	20	5	9	6	27	29	19
Luton Town	25	7	5	13	38	52	19
Bristol Rovers	20	6	6	8	22	33	18
Orient	21	4	6	11	16	34	14
Oxford United	23	4	6	13	20	41	14
Swindon Town	19	5	4	10	20	45	14
Cardiff City	21	3	6	12	19	42	12
Reading	20	3	2	15	16	52	8



# THE FIXTURES

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

DATE	OPPONENTS	RESULTS		ATTEN- DANCE	GOALSCORERS
		76-77	77-78		
Sat Aug 20	<b>ASTON VILLA</b>	2-1	1-2	25,431	Eastoe
Tue " 23	Wolverhampton W.	—	0-1	22,278	
Sat " 27	Norwich City	0-2	1-1	17,914	Needham
Wed " 31	Bournemouth (FLC2)	—	2-0	10,006	Givens, Eastoe
Sat Sept 3	<b>LEICESTER CITY</b>	3-2	3-0	14,516	Givens, Francis, Needham
Sat " 10	West Ham United	0-1	2-2	26,922	Lock (o.g.), Eastoe
Sat " 17	<b>MANCHESTER CITY</b>	0-0	1-1	24,668	Francis
Sat " 24	<b>CHELSEA</b>	—	1-1	26,267	Masson
Sat Oct 1	Bristol City	0-1	2-2	26,041	Masson, Eastoe
Tue " 4	Birmingham City	1-2	1-2	21,304	Masson
Sat " 8	<b>EVERTON</b>	0-4	1-5	20,495	Eastoe
Sat " 15	Arsenal	2-3	0-1	36,172	
Sat " 22	<b>NOTTINGHAM F.</b>	—	0-2	24,248	
Wed " 26	Aston Villa (FLC3)	—	0-1	34,481	
Sat " 29	<b>WEST BROMWICH</b>	1-0	2-1	18,800	Eastoe, Bowles
Sat Nov 5	Middlesbrough	2-0	1-1	18,215	Busby
Sat " 12	<b>LIVERPOOL</b>	1-1	2-0	25,625	Bowles, Busby
Sat " 19	Coventry City	0-2	1-4	20,441	Givens
Sat " 26	<b>MANCHESTER UTD.</b>	4-0	2-2	25,367	Givens, Needham
Sat Dec 3	Leeds United	1-0	0-3	26,507	
Sat " 10	<b>NEWCASTLE UTD</b>	1-2	0-1	15,251	
Sat " 17	Liverpool	1-3	0-1	38,249	
Mon " 26	<b>DERBY COUNTY K.O. 3 pm</b>	1-1	0-0	18,917	
Tue " 27	Ipswich Town	2-2	2-3	22,317	Bowles (pen.), McGee
Sat " 31	<b>WOLVERHAMPTON</b>	—	1-3	16,067	Shanks
Mon Jan 2	Aston Villa	1-1	1-1	34,750	Smith (o.g.)
Sat " 7	<b>WEALDSTONE (FA3)</b>	—	—	—	
Sat " 14	<b>NORWICH CITY</b>	2-3	—	—	
Sat " 21	Leicester City	2-2	—	—	
Sat " 28	F.A. Cup 4th Round	—	—	—	
Sat Feb 4	<b>WEST HAM UNITED</b>	1-1	—	—	
Sat " 11	Manchester City	0-0	—	—	
Sat " 18	Chelsea	—	—	—	
Sat " 25	<b>BRISTOL CITY</b>	0-1	—	—	
Sat Mar 4	Everton	3-1	—	—	
Sat " 11	<b>ARSENAL</b>	2-1	—	—	
Sat " 18	Nottingham Forest	—	—	—	
Wed " 22	West Bromwich Albion	1-1	—	—	
Sat " 25	<b>IPSWICH TOWN</b>	1-0	—	—	
Mon " 27	Derby County	0-2	—	—	
Sat April 1	<b>MIDDLESBROUGH</b>	3-0	—	—	
Sat " 8	Manchester United	0-1	—	—	
Sat " 15	<b>COVENTRY CITY</b>	1-1	—	—	
Sat " 22	Newcastle United	0-2	—	—	
Tue " 25	<b>BIRMINGHAM CITY</b>	2-2	—	—	
Sat " 29	<b>LEEDS UNITED</b>	0-0	—	—	

### Next Home Games

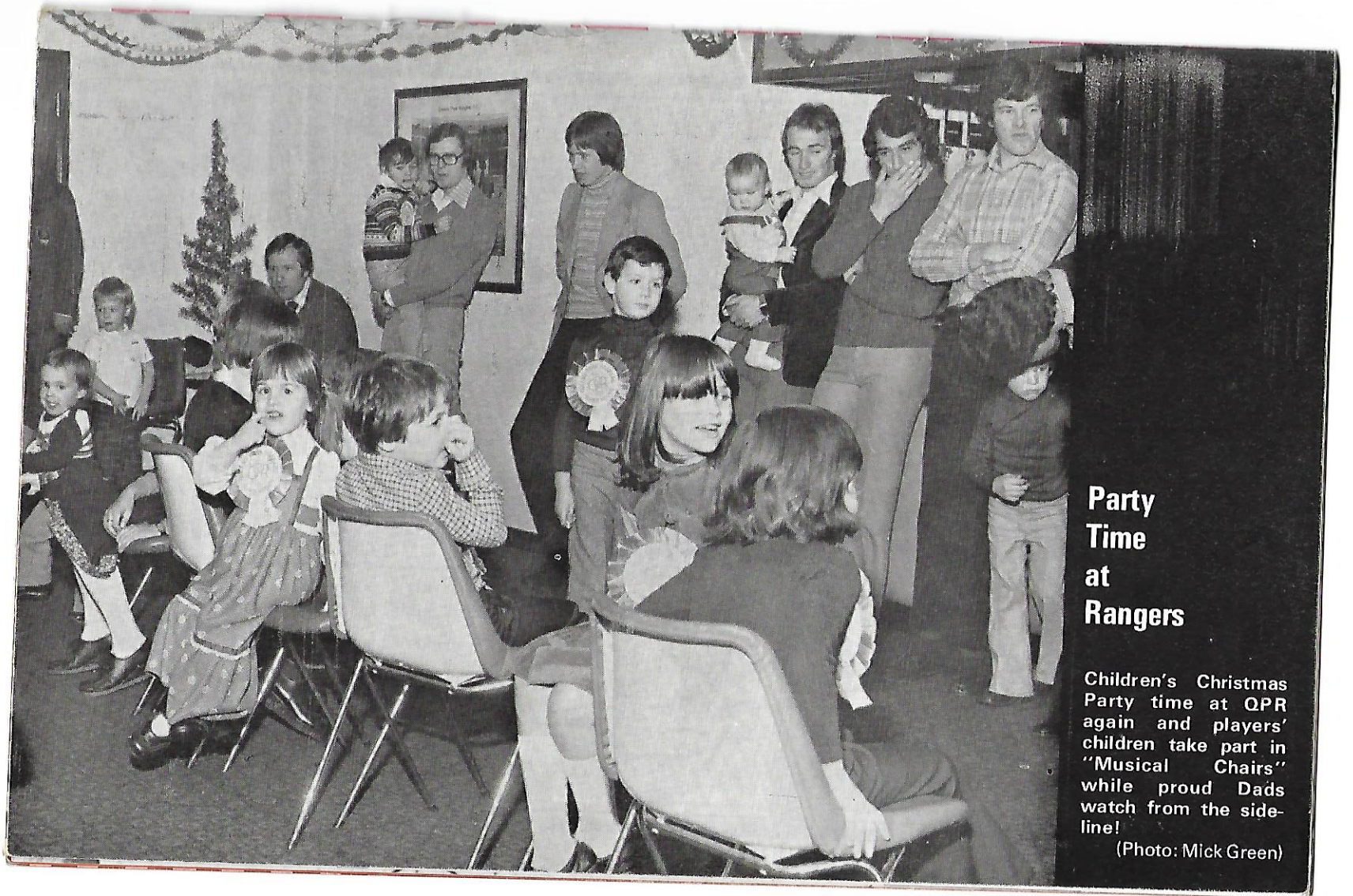
Football League Division One  
**NORWICH CITY**  
 Saturday 14th Jan., '78 (K.O. 3 p.m.)

Football Combination  
**LEICESTER CITY**  
 Saturday 21st Jan., '78 (K.O. 3 p.m.)

### SOUTH EAST COUNTIES Div 1 League Table 31/12/77

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
OPR	17	14	1	2	39	17	29
Fulham	17	10	4	3	31	22	24
Chelsea	14	11	1	2	34	11	23
Millwall	17	8	6	3	30	20	22
Ipswich Town	16	8	4	4	33	18	20
Norwich City	15	8	1	6	28	26	17
Gillingham	15	7	1	7	21	22	15
Arsenal	17	6	2	9	23	29	14
Portsmouth	14	4	5	5	15	14	13
Southend United	16	5	2	9	27	34	12
Tottenham H.	16	5	2	9	27	35	12
Crystal Palace	14	5	3	6	19	16	11
West Ham United	14	4	2	8	20	25	10
Orient	16	4	1	11	19	43	9
Charlton Athletic	15	2	3	10	18	32	7
Watford	15	3	2	10	13	33	4

HOME FIXTURES SHOWN IN BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS



**Party  
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(Photo: Mick Green)

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