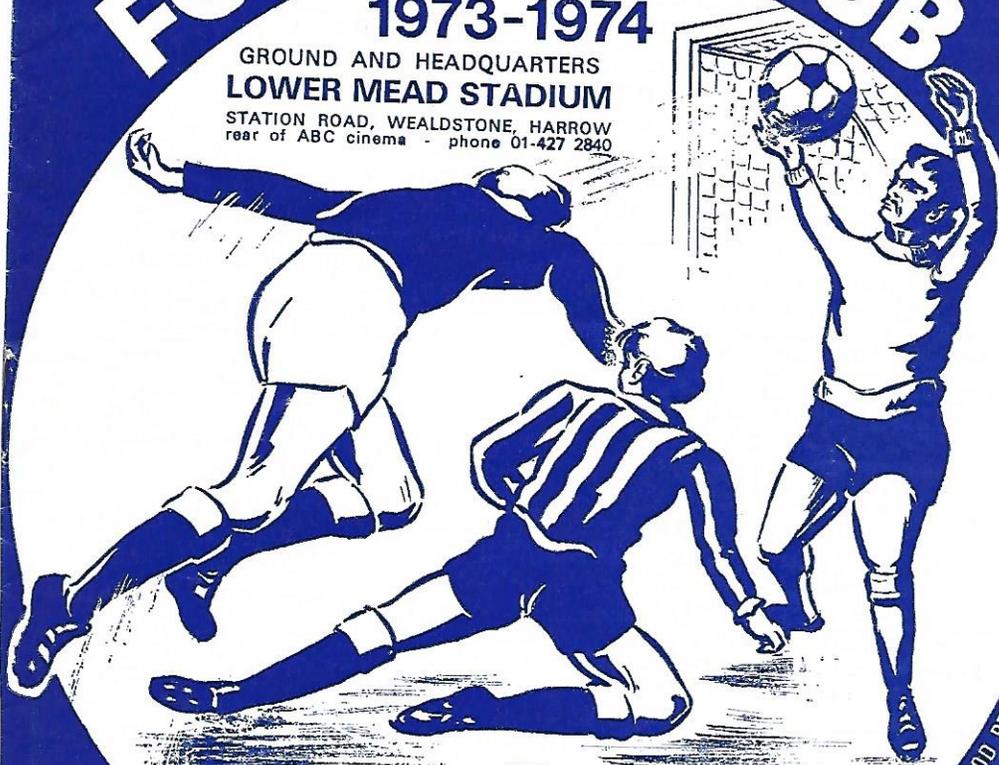


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### A Week of Mixed Fortunes

With Colin Pope away, disporting himself in Amsterdam for a couple of days, between matches, I am acting as his "stand-in" for these notes. The last time I saw Colin, he was smoking his way furiously through the final minutes of the Bath encounter. I hope his nerves and lungs have recovered, in time for tonight!

Last week can truly be described as a week of sunshine and shadow. On Wednesday evening we maintained our place in the sun, with a sparkling win at Basingstoke, and officially eased ourselves into the top spot in the League. The victory was doubly sweet, as, like ourselves, Basingstoke were promotion candidates.

Our hosts opened in a very confident manner, and for the major part of the first half subjected our defence to considerable pressure. Our rear-guard, however, stood up, in customary fashion, to the onslaughts, until our front runners began to assert themselves. Bill Byrne notched an all important goal, just before the break, and on the resumption Wealdstone gradually took command. Bill again rose to the occasion in the second half, and put the issue beyond doubt with a scorching volley that screamed past the hapless Hopkins (erstwhile Wealdstone player) in the home goal.

On Saturday we journeyed down to Somerset, and here, despite the glorious weather, experienced a temporary eclipse, when we suffered a 2-0 defeat at the hands of a vastly improved Bath City. Under the guidance of Bert Head, the ex-manager of Swindon and Crystal Palace, Bath have moved steadily up the table, and are now serious contenders for honours.

The home team looked the sharper side in the opening stages, and built up an onslaught on the Wealdstone defence which lasted throughout the first fifteen minutes. Our lads stood up well to this battering, and gradually began to make their presence felt.

It took us twenty four minutes to earn our first corner, but as the half wore on we enjoyed more of the exchanges. Wealdstone could very well have gone into the lead on the half-hour when Bill Byrne put one over the bar, with the home defence caught flat-footed. We were checked, however, when Legg put the home side ahead, eight minutes before half-time, to round off a neat approach by the Bath attack.

The second half followed the pattern of the first session, and although we enjoyed a larger share of the exchanges, Tinsley, the home striker put the issue beyond doubt with some twenty four minutes remaining. Dyson replaced the injured Watson in the closing stages, but the home team maintained the initiative. Even the most partisan "Stones" supporter had to concede that Bath were worth winners, on the day. It was a pity that they decided to make some of the exchanges a little more rugged than the occasion demanded, and three names from the home team ended in the referee's notebook, to match the booking of Ray Fulton. Ray was unlucky to be penalised for what looked like an innocuous effort to gain possession.

And so on to this evening. We welcome our visitors from Canterbury, for today's encounter, and trust that they have an enjoyable visit, but we shall be in a resolute mood following Saturday's setback. We would gently remind them that the benefits of pilgrimages usually arise from visits to their fair city!

It is a long haul back to the misty nights of November. We doused

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our floodlights then, on the 13th, after the 3-3 draw with Wimbledon, and apart from the New Year's Day match with Gravesend, tonight marks their return. May they shine like a beacon for our future aspirations.

BILL EMERSON

## Supporters Club Notes

Good evening everybody and a warm welcome to the Supporters of Canterbury City who visit us tonight for a Southern League match. This will be the first home game under lights since the lifting of the electricity restrictions and at last our football habits are returning to normal.

To those Supporters who travelled to Bath on coach number 2, on Saturday, I extend on behalf of the Supporters Club Committee our apologies for any inconvenience caused because of the poor coach provided. The matter has been taken up with the coach firm, and I am sure that every effort will be made to avoid any repeat of the problems. We have been very lucky with our transport to away games over the years and last Saturday's troubles were, as you will appreciate, beyond the Committee's control. As the person in charge of coach number 2 I would like to thank the people who were on it for their co-operation and forbearance.

Next Saturday the team are away to Andover and the usual Coach service will operate leaving Lower Mead at 11.20 a.m. SHARP. Bookings can be made at the office tonight or by phoning Barbara Robson on 422 0799, before 10.00 p.m. PLEASE.

The promotion race is now developing into a very close thing and your support over the next few weeks is going to help a great deal. So let's really start tonight with the 'Kop' behind the goal getting their lungs in good working order.

I would like to close these notes, tonight by wishing on behalf of the Supporters, Eddie Presland every success as the new Manager of the 'Stones.

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**ANDY KEELEY:** Tall defender also signed from Gillingham. Has recently established himself in the senior side.

**BOB WICKENS:** Signed from Margate last season after having been with Herne Bay. An amateur.

**BOB HARROP:** Experienced centre-half, captain and assistant manager. Had 70 first team appearances for Manchester United. Also been with Margate and Ashford.

**ANDY WOOLFORD:** Scottish-born midfield player signed from Chatham.

**JOHN WICKENS:** Brother of Bob, also signed from Margate. Was once with Bexley and was leading goalscorer last season.

**ERIC WILLIAMS:** Local midfield player, only 17, was recently in the England Youth squad who played Scotland at Brighton. Very promising young player.

**BRIAN OLIVER:** Returned to Canterbury after a spell with Maidstone. Small, but clever player.

**ROY HARE:** Tall centre-forward, formerly with Herne Bay.

**ALAN BROWN:** Former Deal and Herne Bay amateur who has recently returned from a spell in South Africa. Clever in the air.

**RON BAYLISS:** Had plenty of League experience with Reading and Bradford City. Versatile player equally at home in defence or attack. Signed last season from Folkestone.

**DENIS HOUSDEN:** First team regular signed during close season from Gillingham, for whom he played 10 first team matches last season.

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Bideford	26	9	3	2	28	13	3	5	4	18	19	32	W3-1	D 0-0
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Bognor Regis	30	6	4	4	17	16	4	6	6	21	26	30	D 0-0	
Ramsgate Athletic	29	8	4	3	28	16	3	3	8	11	18	29	L 0-1	L 2-3
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