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# Wootton Bassett Town Football Club

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## **The Cherry Red Records Hellenic Football League**

### **Premier Division**

### **Wootton Bassett Town v Brackley Town**

**Saturday 17th February 2001 K.O.3.00p.m.**

Good afternoon and welcome to Rylands Way for today's league fixture. This afternoon we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Brackley Town who have made the long journey from Northamptonshire. We hope they enjoy their first visit to the Way and that they will join us in the bar after the game. We also wish them all a safe return journey home.

Brackley are handily placed in the top four and are the only likely contenders to chase Swindon Supermarine for the title. Highworth Town seem to have faded away in recent weeks and Didcot are becoming the leagues draw specialists.

Today will be another hard fixture for us coming on the back of Fairford two weeks ago and at Pegasus Juniors last week. It does not finish there as this coming Tuesday we go to play league leaders Supermarine. Kick off is 7.30p.m. and it would be helpful if we could get plenty of vocal support during the game.

The season so far has been beyond our wildest dreams and we can settle down and enjoy the remainder. As for next season we are taking advice on the steps we need to take to enter the F.A. Vase and who knows maybe the F.A. Cup also!

News on the playing surface is that we will be having major surgery at the end of the season to further improve the surface and drainage. Add to this further purchases of equipment to maintain it in all weathers then our commitment is going to be substantial and hopefully beneficial to players and spectators alike.

With a sound youth structure from 7 years upwards and the likelihood of possibly two ladies sides then we are looking to become the major football club in and around the Swindon area.

One area we are looking for help in is pitch maintenance during the week, if you can help or know someone who maybe interested then contact any member of the committee, or see "DD" in the tea bar.

Thanks for your support today and we hope to see you at Supermarine on Tuesday evening.

Next Premier fixture is on Tuesday 27th February Kick Off 7.30p.m. when we entertain Shortwood United.

Best wishes,

**Roger**

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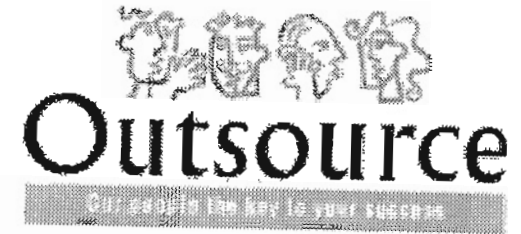
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## Dug Out Views

Good afternoon and welcome.

After last weeks game at Pegasus was a casualty of the weather I have only the game against Fairford to report on.

In what was a dire game played in very difficult conditions I was very pleased that we came out of the game undefeated and so kept our unbeaten run going. Although both teams created very little I felt we had the best chance of the game when a Micky Goodwin effort was well saved. Rich Stevens in our goals was hardly tested all afternoon, so credit to our back three and Rich for the clean sheets in the last three League games. It shows how far we have come this seasons after two early comprehensive defeats by Fairford that they showed us a lot of respect in putting a lot of men behind the ball and only tried to catch us on the counter. We showed great patience and concentration to keep the clean sheet.

We now have a real test in our next two games at home to Brackley today, and away to Supermarine on Tuesday, both being title contenders. It is all about how our lads react to these games. If we can get that little bit of extra from everyone we are capable of upsetting both teams. Certainly if we show the same commitment as we did against Didcot twice, and at Carterton, then we should in for a couple of excellent games. Today it will be a pleasure to welcome Peter Foley, the Brackley manager, to Rylands Way again, someone who as a club we have the utmost respect for after some great tussles in the past with his former club Ardley United.

Keep up the great support we have had over the last few weeks, the players have really appreciated it and it certainly helps them raise their performances.

All the best - **Giler**

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## Chairmans Chat

Good afternoon, a warm welcome to you all and our visitors from Brackley.

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In the last couple of programs I have been reviewing the club progress against our objectives for the season. It is the turn of some of the youth sides whose dedicated managers have taken a little time to provide these interesting updates :-

**UNDER 11's** - In their first season of competitive football the Under 11's have had an excellent season to date. At the time of writing they are in second place in the league with 8 wins from their opening 11 games, this after losing their first two games of the season. They also gave League leaders Stratton Youth their closest game of the season, narrowly losing 2-1 after leading for much of the game (editor - and beat them last week!). This was probably the teams best performance of the season despite the result. A top five position is the ultimate aim in order that the team complete in the top division next season. Top scorer to date is Jonny Aitkenhead with 11 goals and he is also top of the players man of the match voting after some excellent performances. Special mention to the defence who, in the league have only let in an average of 1.27 goals per game, not bad for kids football!

**UNDER 12's** - despite losing their opening match the U12's have now gone 13 League games unbeaten. There have been some personnel changes both coaching and playing, but this appears to have strengthened the teams position. After a very successful summer tour of the local 6-a-side tournaments we are improving with every game and playing some excellent football. Losing in the cup was a disappointment but it was one of those days. We had 80% of the play but a well organised Malmesbury side snatched it with 5 minutes remaining. Still, as all good managers say, we can concentrate on the League now, where we have a good chance of challenging for honours. Five of the boys are included in the Swindon and District rep side, and a few are being watched by Football League clubs. Future events include a match against Watford FC U12's and summer tour to Prague.

**UNDER 13's** - Having a number of new players join at the start of the season we were unsure of how the team would gel together and our expectations for the season were as a result, fairly limited. However after a shakey start, the team put in a run of 5 wins on the trot (league and cup) with the front pairing scoring 21 goals between them, the number now standing at 33. Notable amongst these victories were a 6-3 defeat of Wroughton and a 6-4 win over Westside. At the moment, with four games to play, we stand third or fourth in the League, which is probably where we will finish. Overall we are very pleased with both the teams commitment and attitude and they are certainly the best squad of players we have coached.

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Heres to a good game today - Cheers, 'H'

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Two league games to report on, **Clanfield** away two weeks ago and last Saturday's home fixture against **Middle Barton**.

At **Clanfield** we got back to winning ways but left it till the last minute. Having gone behind **Justin Hyde** immediately got the equaliser and we then controlled the game throughout. Unfortunately our finishing was very poor and Mr reliable **Syd Jackson** popped up to give us the three points in the 90th minute.

Last Saturday saw us entertain **Middle Barton** in what always proves to be a tough and physical fixture. On a surface that was already heavy the early rain turned it into a quagmire. We took the lead through **Simon Edwards** who soon after made it 2-0. Slack defending allowed Middle Barton back into the game but leading scorer **Syd Jackson** made it 3-1 before half-time. The second half was a dour affair and only **Simon Edwards** goal to complete his hatrick proved a highlight.

The reserves now remain undefeated this season a run of 15 league and cup games. Top of the table with a couple of points in hand, they must maintain their consistency to stand any chance of the league title.

Today the reserves travel to play **Brackley Town Res** who we beat here comfortably 5-0 in January.

Next Saturday they are at home to **Old Woodstock Town Res** Kick Off 3.00p.m. yet another vital fixture.



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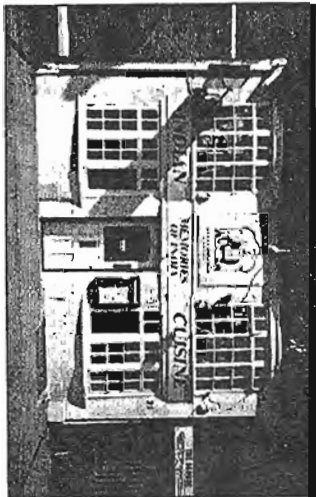


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Premier Division									
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD	
1 Swindon Supermarine	20	18	1	1	51	13	55	38	
2 Didcot Town	20	13	7	0	32	9	48	23	
3 Highworth Town	21	14	1	6	52	28	43	24	
4 Brackley Town	16	12	1	3	31	20	37	11	
5 Yate Town	19	10	3	6	48	25	33	23	
6 Fairford Town	21	9	4	8	31	25	31	6	
7 Wootton Bassett Town	21	8	7	6	32	35	31	-3	
8 Carterton Town	18	9	2	5	31	24	29	7	
9 Tuffley Rovers	15	8	2	5	28	21	28	5	
10 Blcaster Town	17	7	3	7	24	26	24	-2	
11 Abingdon United	18	7	2	7	23	24	23	-1	
12 Cirencester Academy	15	6	2	7	28	24	20	4	
13 North Leigh	14	5	3	6	24	25	18	-1	
14 Harrow Hill	21	4	6	11	22	35	18	-13	
15 Pegasus Juniors	15	5	2	8	23	33	17	-10	
16 Almondsbury Town	23	5	1	17	22	40	16	-18	
17 Shortwood United	15	3	6	6	24	27	15	-3	
18 Cheltenham Saracens	18	4	3	11	17	37	15	-20	
19 Wantage Town	20	4	2	14	22	49	14	-27	
20 Milton United	19	0	2	17	7	50	2	-43	

Division One (West)									
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD	
1 Gloucester United	18	13	2	1	50	10	41	40	
2 Ardley United	18	13	1	4	55	24	40	31	
3 Headington Amateurs	20	11	3	6	39	33	36	6	
4 Bishops Cleeve	14	10	1	3	30	20	31	10	
5 Leiccombe FC	15	6	6	3	27	19	24	8	
6 Witney Academy	15	7	2	6	25	32	23	-7	
7 Clanfield FC	18	6	3	7	29	35	21	-8	
8 Kidlington	17	5	5	7	23	30	20	-7	
9 Middle Barton	16	4	7	5	19	21	19	-2	
10 Cirencester United	15	5	3	7	21	27	18	-6	
11 Purton FC	18	3	6	7	26	36	15	-10	
12 Old Woodstock Town	20	3	6	11	27	39	15	-12	
13 Easington Spors	12	5	0	7	20	32	15	-12	
14 Malmesbury Victoria	12	4	2	6	24	28	14	-4	
15 Worcester Coll OB	19	3	2	14	20	42	11	-22	
16 Ross Town*	9	2	1	16	13	20	4	-7	

\* 3 Pts Deducted

Reserve Div Two (West)									
Top Six									
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD	
1 Wootton Bassett Town	13	9	4	0	29	9	31	20	
2 Almondsbury Town	12	8	2	2	33	12	28	21	
3 Old Woodstock Town	11	7	1	3	26	16	22	10	
4 Brackley Town FC	12	6	2	4	29	22	20	7	
5 Kidlington FC	12	5	3	4	25	17	18	8	
6 Middle Barton FC	13	4	2	7	12	18	14	-6	

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**Carl Wilkins** (27) Keeper signed from Abingdon United in November. Has also turned out for Milton United.

**Andrew Parrott** (21) Versatile young player who is capable of playing in midfield or defence. Strong and aggressive with a good work rate. Previously with Banbury United

**Chris Jackson** (19) Young defender signed in early February who started the season with Southern League side Banbury United.

**Jon Muttock** (29) Signed in the summer from Witney Town. Vastly experienced centre half who is good in the air and likes to get forward whenever possible. Previous clubs include Carterton Town and Oxford City for whom he appeared in the 1996 FA Vase Final.

**Jason Allen** (29) Usually a defender but can play up front from where he has scored several vital goals for the club in recent seasons. Has also played for Buckingham Town and his hometown team, Bicester. A member of the Leagues Representative side.

**Andy Parsons** (26) A summer recruit from Division One side Ardley United. Midfielder who covers a lot of ground and has added some "bite" to the side. Has already shown his worth with several well taken goals this season.

**Ben Milner** (21) Very promising young forward who joined the club last season from Oxford Senior League side Ruscott Sports. Strong and powerful target man with an eye for goal. Was joint top scorer last season and definitely one for the future. Another member of the Leagues Representative side.

**Darren McNamara** (27) Another summer signing who has improved in stature as the season has progressed. Captain of the side who was a goal scorer in Oxford City's FA Vase semi Final win in 1996. Has also played for Witney Town, Thame United, Chesham, Abingdon Town and Marlow.

**Rhydian Purnell** (25) Joined Brackley last season from Division One side Easington Sports, although he had also been with us on and off over the past few seasons. Aggressive young midfielder player.

**Cliff Cousins** (35) Experienced defender who lists Swindon Town, Aylesbury United and Banbury United amongst his previous clubs.

**Anton Sambrook** (25) Another former Banbury United player who is in his second season with the club. Works hard in the middle of the park but is equally at home in defence.

**Darren Beckett** (19) Local lad who broke into the first team last season. Has recently returned from a spell with Ryman League side Abingdon Town and has slotted into a full back role straight away.

**Adam Beckett** (20) Given his chance this season through injuries and suspensions and has put his case forward for a permanent place with several impressive displays and some vital goals.

**Mark Thomas** (35) Experienced striker who returned to the club from Ardley United in November. This popular player has a good goal scoring record with all his previous clubs which include Bicester Town, Abingdon Town, Witney and Oxford City.

**Adam Dedman** (19) A young defender who joined the club back in November. Was previously on Northampton Town's books for a number of years. Has also played for Buckingham Town.

**Phil Rodney** (32) Striker with a proven track record who joined the club from Carterton Town in January. Previously with Abingdon Town and Ardley United. Also played for Brackley in the late 80's.

**Nigel Jenkins** Striker who has returned to the club at the end of January after a season and a half with neighbours Bicester Town

**Peter Foley** (Manager) Took over from Terry Muckelberg in November. Peter was Oxford United's top scorer of all time until John Aldridge broke his record. Former Manager of Oxford City, Marlow and Ardley, he took Marlow to the FA Cup 3<sup>rd</sup> round, reformed Oxford City by winning three league titles in four seasons and won the Hellenic League Division One three years in a row with Ardley.

# BRACKLEY TOWN FC

## *A BRIEF HISTORY*

The first records of Brackley Town Football Club can be traced back to 1890 and around the turn of the century they were a prominent side in the South Northants / North Oxfordshire area. At one time the name of Tottenham Hotspur appeared on their fixture list, London being just a short journey away on the newly opened Great Central Railway.

The club then slipped into relative obscurity, competing mainly at a very Junior level. Most of the time before the war was spent in the Oxfordshire League, their games being played in Manor Road, before they transferred to the North Bucks League in the post war years. Here they stayed until 1968 when they took what appeared to be a step down the ladder by joining the Banbury and District League. During this time they had moved their ground to the Buckingham Road with the changing facilities and headquarters situated in the Plough public house.

In 1974 they moved back to the North Bucks League and this coincided with a move to their current ground in Churchill Way. A small clubhouse and changing rooms were built and within 3 years they had made the major step up into the Hellenic League. They stayed in Division One until 1983, winning the KO Cup in their final season. They then made the move into the United Counties League, winning the Division One title at the first attempt. Promotion into the Premier Division followed and as a result of this the club achieved Senior status.

After finishing in the bottom half of the league for the first few seasons, the club then experienced their most successful season ever in 1988/89 when they were runners up in the League and Northamptonshire Senior Cup. On the way to the County Cup Final they had beaten Conference side Kettering Town under the newly erected floodlights.

As invariably happens, the side then broke up and there followed several years of real struggle at the foot of the League with the survival of the club in real doubt at times. The 1992/93 season ended with them having the worst playing record of any Senior side in the country. It was only the fact that the title winning sides in Division One did not have the required facilities for elevation into the top section that saved them from relegation.

Drastic action was obviously necessary and accordingly the club was restructured and became a Limited Company. In 1994 they moved back across the pyramid into the Hellenic League. A move prompted by their geographical location. After a mediocre first season, things improved dramatically during the 1995/96 campaign. Phil Lines, who was Manager of

the successful side in the late eighties, took charge again and a runners-up position was achieved in his first season. 1996/97 saw them go one better and win the Premier Division title.

With the decision already taken to aim for promotion, minor miracles were then performed in a short space of time in order to make the grade for elevation into the Dr Martens League.

The nucleus of the previous title winning side together with some astute signings saw the side finish a respectable 13th in the Midland Division.

The job now was to consolidate and build on what had been achieved in such a short space of time. However, events then seemed to conspire against them during the close season with the resignation of Lines and the departure of almost all the side he had assembled. With the new management team then assembling a team to compete in the Midland Division again the unfathomable decision to move the club into the Southern section of the League was broken to the club just one week before the AGM. A move which would stretch finances and player availability to the limits. Protests fell on deaf ears and there followed a season of real struggle as the predictions of doom came to fruition. Joint Managers Jon Blencowe and Bob Raynor found it impossible to field a side capable of competing at this level with the finances available to them. The cost of travelling to such far flung outposts as the Isle of Wight and Margate proved too much and the club went into voluntary liquidation in February 1999 with debts of over £100,000. The club survived at the last minute as Mike Boshier and Ray Styles stepped in to buy the assets and ensure that the season was completed. Having in no small way helped to bankrupt the club, the Southern League then added insult to injury by deciding that the "new" club was not the one that was accepted at the start of the season and they were therefore demoted back to the Hellenic League. Not their first choice but there was no option.

Former player, Terry Muckelberg, was appointed Manager at the start of the 1999/2000 season and made an excellent start in trying to guide the club back to its former heights. The experienced Peter Foley took over from Terry in November 2000. With a thriving Youth coaching scheme in operation, work recently finished to extend and improve the social facilities, and the club once again back on a stable financial footing, sights are now set on a quick move back up the Pyramid.

### Last Weekends Club Results

- **Firsts** match postponed
- **Reserves**, won 4-1 at home against Middle Barton
- **'A' Team** had no game
- **U18's** lost 3-4 home to Ferndale Rodbourne (Den will make sure we know !!)
- **U16's** no game
- **U15's**, no game
- **U14's** lost 3-4 away to Swindon Vultures
- **U13's** match postponed
- **U12's** won 3-0 away at Stratton Juniors
- **U11's**, 2-1 home win over league leaders Stratton Youth – **RESULT OF THE WEEK**
- **U10's**, no game
- **U9's** lost 0-2 to Ramsbury in a second squad friendly
- **U8's** won 4-0 away at Chippenham Town
- **U7's** no game

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### Club News/Requests

- Pitch maintenance is absolutely vital to providing the right surface for our teams to play their football on. Critical is the ability to undertake work as weather permits. Do you know anyone who may be willing to help the club by providing just a few hours a week helping to maintain the pitch – please contact us if you do.
- The club urgently needs secretarial assistance in the control of bookings of pitches for our 3<sup>rd</sup> and youth teams, and also training at the Lime Kiln. This is not an arduous task, with full training and assistance available. If you could help with this then please give 'H' or Carol a call.

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10 February 2001

### *Bad Break for Railwaymen*

Didcot Town continued their unbeaten League run last Saturday with a 1-1 draw at home to Cirencester Academy. However, this result was tempered with a serious injury suffered by Rodney Dorrian in the last minute of the match. He was tackled by Academy's Stuart Hodson and broke his right leg; Hodson was red-carded by the referee and the game finished waiting for the arrival of an ambulance. Dorrian has made over 600 appearances for the 'Railwaymen' and has been in sparkling form this season scoring some important goals. He represented the Hellenic League against the Combined Counties this season. A hastily arranged raffle after Saturday's game, together with other donations, raised over £200 for the player who is self employed. Didcot Town officials would like to thank all concerned for the messages of good will and in particular Gary Goodwin, manager of Highworth Town who was on the phone early Saturday evening, (blame me for that). On the plus side is that the clubs unbeaten run is extended to 19 league matches.

### *Clinton Crack It*

After eighteen straight league defeats Aston Clinton finally cracked it last Saturday with a 3-1 win at Martin Baker Sports. Club chairman John Roberts said 'this was the first game when we got plenty of shots on target and beat the goalkeeper', the Aston Clinton scorers were Sam Gale in the 26<sup>th</sup> minute and Peter Weirich with two goals in the 55<sup>th</sup> and 82<sup>nd</sup> minutes, the second being a penalty.

### *Players Re-Union*

Many former Didcot Town players are known to be attending a players re-union at Loop Meadow Stadium on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February, including several from the title winning team of 1953-54 the inaugural season of the Hellenic League, tickets are £2.50 and are available from the club on 01235 813138.

### *Saracens Helping Out*

It was pleasing to note that two current Hellenic League registered players, who were part of Saracens championship winning side in (Division One) last season, contributed to Gloucester City's 4-2 win on Saturday both Matthew Parnell and Billy Davis who came on as a substitute scored. The City manager is Tommy Callinan who played in the Hellenic League for Saracens a few seasons ago. It is hoped he does not raid 'Saracens' again as the club are fighting a relegation battle in the Hellenic Premier Division, last Saturday's 2-1 win over Wantage Town was a step in the right direction. It is always pleasing for a club when the younger players in particular move to play at a higher level.

### *Girvan Quits*

Harrow Hill Rovers secretary Stefan Poulos has informed the league office that Ray Girvan has parted company with the club. All contact regarding fixture confirmations, players etc should be made to Stefan, if you can find him.

### *Non League Paper*

After many attempts to get news coverage for the Hellenic League in the Non League Paper it was pleasing to see the League round-up report in last Sunday's edition. An initial agreement to supply a weekly league news column and a Saturday results round-up should see better coverage of the league in the future. Any news, information that could be used in the weekly reports should be sent to the Hellenic League office.

### *Blast from the Past*

A tit bit from a recent 'Saracens program reminded supporters of the clubs' first competitive match. Entitled "A birth of a club - soccer section". The match was played on 5<sup>th</sup> September 1964 against Cheltenham Town 'A' with 'Saracens' winning 5-0. Of the players involved were current Bishops Cleeve match secretary Will Pember, plus current Saracens officials Bob Attwood and Terry Coates, and Bob Attwood scored the first goal, a gem no doubt.

Clubs and individuals are invited to submit news items of interest for possible inclusion in Boot Room Chatter. Please send your items to Brian King, General Secretary, 83 Queens Road, Carterton, Oxon. OX18 3YF, fax them to 01993 212738 or E-mail to [king.brian@ukgateway.net](mailto:king.brian@ukgateway.net)

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Below is a guest article on the Western & Wiltshire League from an avid local football watcher. Hope you enjoy it.

#### SCREWFIX DIRECT WESTERN LEAGUE

Cluppenham Town really are flying the flag for Wiltshire as they are right on the heels of Taunton and through to the last 16 in the FA Vase again. The crowds at Hardenhuish are unbelievable averaging between 300-400 and they recently took 400 to AFC Totton for their vase game. A lot of people don't really like their Manager Tommy Saunders as he can be arrogant and controversial, but I have a lot of time for him as he really knows his stuff, he knows whats going on with players at all levels and is quick to snap up good players, before any other manager even knows they are available. His knowledge of local football is second to none, oh and he paid me to watch Barking for him and leaves me free tickets for home games!! (So come on Giler where's my free ticket?!?!?) Melksham Manager Robbie Lardner had a hard act to follow after Darren Perrins departure to Forest Green and Melksham are currently mid table. Westbury Utd look doomed at the bottom although they have games in hand over a pitiful Minehead side but I hear that two will go down. Makes you wonder why local Swindon Lad Craig Tuck travels all that way for them?! Devizes have adapted well after last years promotion and I recently watched them against Welton Rovers when my old mate and former Purton player Jimmy Griffin who recently signed from Corsham scored a cracker of a goal in their 2-1 defeat. Corsham who don't pay their players apart from the odd bonus are going well in Division One which is very open this year. There are about 5 teams who could win that division and it is very tough so credit should go to Joint managers Rob Humphries and Mark Godley. Calne Town who have a good budget at that level are struggling and the Committee must be becoming impatient with Manager Graham Learmont. He stabilised the club last year after relegation but instead of pushing on from there, Calne seem to have gone backwards. Pewsey Vale really are in the "Mire" sat at the bottom ten points off Chard who are second bottom. Pewsey also have a reasonable budget and Don Rogers and Martyn Spackman will have to do something quickly if they are to get off the bottom. John Fisher had been helping coach at Pewsey but as happened at Calne when John was Manager there he seems to have failed to come to terms with Western League football and has drifted down the road to Hungerford alongside a fellow Swindoner Gary Ackling. It will be interesting to see how

Don gets on now, as despite all the press coverage Don gets at local football clubs he's been at, from what I have heard it was John Fisher who won Supermarine the league a few years back.

#### SKURRAYS WILTSHIRE LEAGUE

Devizes Town are going well at the top with Stratton Crosslink, Shrewton Utd and Cricklade Town chasing just behind. Cricklade under Alan Clark and Steve Paish have started to come along well after losing a few influential players in the summer and replacing them with a few ex Supermarine Reserve players. But I think Shrewton Utd might be the side to really challenge for honours.

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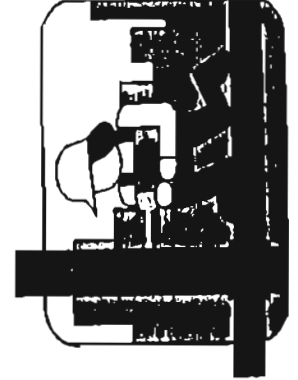


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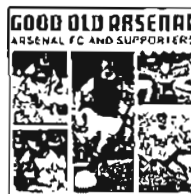


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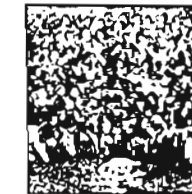
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21st Oct	ALMONDSBURY TOWN	H	2-2 (Green, Dodd)
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9th Dec	WANTAGE TOWN (Res Cup)	H	4-0 (Jackson, S.Edwards, J Davls 2(1Pen)
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6th Jan	BRACKLEY TOWN	H	5-0 (Jackson, Hyde, Dodd, Cooper, Byrne)
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20th Jan	Wantage Town	A	0-0
3rd Feb	Clanfield	A	2-1 ( Jackson, Hyde)
10th Feb	MIDDLE BARTON	H	4-1 (Edwards 3, Jackson)
17th Feb	Brackley Town	A	
24th Feb	OLD WOODSTOCK TOWN	H	
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