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BILL
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LAWSON

TOMMY
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HOWARD
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(Lincoln)

Linesman (Orange Flag):

Mr. S. G. Phelps
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The Talk of Stamford Bridge

THE need for early Christmas printing meant that we had to go to press with this programme before the outcome of our League Cup semi-final second leg at Norwich on Wednesday night was known. At the time of writing we were "in the dark" but still hoping, despite the size of the task that awaited us after last week's disappointing first leg. Whatever has happened this mid-week, our objective is clear enough in the three remaining League games of 1972—as we welcome Everton this afternoon, then visit Ipswich Town on Boxing Day and wind up the Old Year at home to Champions Derby County next Saturday. With only one win and a goal-a-game average in the last eight First Division fixtures, we must hope to find some consistency in time for the New Year tasks to come.



Christmas Greetings

*The Chairman, Directors,
Management, Players and Staff
of
Chelsea Football Club
wish all Supporters a
Very Happy Christmas*



Brighton F.A. Cup-tie: We have been drawn to visit Brighton & Hove Albion in the third round of the F.A. Cup on January 13. This will be an all-ticket match (seat prices £1 and 60p, standing 50p and 40p), and because our allocation of seats is so small, we shall be balloting them by computer among our Season-ticket holders. Full details of our ticket distribution arrangements (including the numbers of Season-ticket holders who qualify for a seat in the computer ballot) will be published in next Saturday's programme. Ground tickets for the Brighton Cup-tie will be put on sale here to the general public on Monday, January 8.

Injury News: John Dempsey, who has been troubled since the start of the season by an Achilles tendon injury, played his first match for three months in the Reserves at home to Bristol City last Saturday. He came through the test satisfactorily, standing up well to several tackles, and we hope he will now proceed to get in further match practice on the way back to full recovery. Skipper Eddie McCreadie missed last Saturday's match at Wolverhampton because of a recurrence of back trouble, and another victim of a back injury is Bobby Brown, injured in the Reserves last Saturday. Micky Droy has his left foot in plaster after breaking a bone two weeks ago against Norwich, but there is encouraging news of Peter Bonetti. He has recovered so well from the stomach operation that followed his injury in the League Cup-tie at Bury on October 31 that he was back in full training by the end of last week. The ankle injury Steve Kember received last Saturday did not improve in time for him to play at Norwich on Wednesday, when Ian Hutchinson was again absent because of fluid in the knee. Steve Sherwood is fit again after a shoulder injury.

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Two-weeks today: We shall not be running the Chelsea Train to Manchester for the match against City on January 6, but British Rail will operate a "special" that day as follows: Depart Euston 10.45, arrive Manchester Piccadilly 13.37; Return, depart Manchester Piccadilly 17.45, arrive Euston 20.32. Fare £2.50 return (children 3-14 £1.50). Buffet facilities will not be available on this train.

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Good for Steve: Steve Finnieston, our leading Youth team scorer, has been in the Canaries since last Sunday, playing in an International Youth tournament for Scotland. He is due back tomorrow.

THE CHELSEA LIGHTER

WE are now awaiting delivery of the newly-designed Chelsea F.C. pocket lighter—limited quantity—in brush chrome, complete with engraved Club crest.

The lighter is wind-proof, and therefore ideal for use on terraces and stands. Price £2.95, including postage. Please write direct to: The Secretary, Chelsea F.C., Stamford Bridge Grounds, Fulham Road, London SW6 1HS.

Front cover shot

THE picture that told the Football world: "Hutch is back!" After battling for 22 months against injury, it all came right again for Ian in our last home League match. The fact that he was once more playing First Division football was itself a tribute to his courage and determination to overcome adversity. No wonder Stamford Bridge rose in salute as Hutchinson shot this our second goal of that game against Norwich City. Then he got another, and only the goalpost prevented him completing a comeback hat-trick. Instead, those two goals made it a coat-trick, because only three days earlier Manager Dave Sexton promised his brand-new Danish overcoat to the next Chelsea player to score twice in a match. Said Dave: "After a comeback like that, Hutch can have the shirt off my back if he wants it!"

(Central Press picture)

F.A. Cup—Third Round Draw

BRIGHTON v. CHELSEA
 Arsenal v. Leicester
 Peterborough v. Derby
 Bradford City v. Blackpool
 Burnley v. Liverpool
 Carlisle v. Huddersfield
 Charlton v. Bolton
 Chelmsford v. Ipswich
 Crystal Palace v. Southampton
 Everton v. Aston Villa
 Grimsby v. Preston
 Luton v. Crewe
 Manchester City v. Stoke
 Margate v. Tottenham
 Millwall v. Newport
 Newcastle v. Bournemouth
 Norwich v. Leeds
 Notts County v. Sunderland
 Orient v. Coventry
 Plymouth v. Middlesbrough
 Portsmouth v. Bristol City
 Port Vale v. West Ham
 Q.P.R. v. Barnet
 Reading v. Doncaster
 Scunthorpe v. Cardiff
 Sheffield Wednesday v. Fulham
 Stockport v. Hull
 Swindon v. Birmingham
 Watford v. Sheffield United
 West Bromwich Albion v. Nottingham Forest
 Wolves v. Manchester United
 York v. Oxford United

(Ties to be played on January 13)

Chelsea's 25 Post-war Seasons in the First Division

PAGE FROM THE PAST: SEASON 1959-60

THE 1950s came to their close with a season of little distinction for Chelsea, who finished 18th in the First Division table. A 1-0 win against Manchester United at Old Trafford in August suggested great things, but was followed seven days later by a 3-6 reverse in the return match at Stamford Bridge. This set the pattern. By mid-November only four points separated Chelsea in eighth place from West Ham United at the top, but four consecutive defeats ended any Championship aspirations.

Only three more League wins were recorded in the next four months, and relegation was avoided by no more than three points. Equally dispiriting was our F.A. Cup exit for the second year running by 2-1 against Aston Villa here in the fourth round after a 5-1 home victory against Bradford.

Surprisingly, home "gates" averaged 39,000. One reason was undoubtedly Jimmy Greaves, who followed his record-breaking 32 League goals of the previous season with another 29—five coming when Preston were beaten 5-4 at Deepdale the week before Christmas. With Peter Brabrook and Frank Blunstone the regular wingers, there was no lack of support on the flanks, but in the middle Greaves was too often on his own. Charlie Livesey, signed from Third Division Southampton, never established himself at centre-forward and in the deal which brought Johnny Brooks from Tottenham to Stamford Bridge in exchange for Les Allen Spurs got much the better value.

For the second consecutive season more than 90 League goals were conceded, including two sixes, a five, and five fours. The defence of Reg Matthews, John and Peter Sillett, Sylvan Anderton, John Mortimore and Stan Crowther appeared in at least half the games, but there was a lack of class and cohesion.

Chelsea's Reserves, however, were Football Combination Champions, and the Juniors won the South-East Counties

League for the fourth consecutive season. But the most notable achievement was the winning of the F.A. Youth Cup. Preston were our opponents in the Final, and after a 1-1 draw at home Bobby Tambling's hat-trick in a 4-1 second leg victory at Deepdale brought us the Cup for the first time.

At the season's end Chelsea disbanded their third team and withdrew from the Metropolitan League after seven years, with a consequent reduction in the professional staff from 44 to 32.

In a year which produced few milestones at senior level, Terry Venables played his first senior match away to West Ham in February as a 17-year-old amateur and Peter Bonetti made his debut at home to Manchester City on April 2nd. Not only did the new goalkeeper keep a clean sheet (the score was 3-0), but his display earned him a congratulatory handshake from his opposite number, Bert Trautmann.

That evening a newspaper headline ventured "The Chelsea Cat looks a Winner". A prophetic forecast, indeed, about the man who has since played more games than anyone else for Chelsea.

HOW THEY FINISHED IN 1959-60

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Burnley ..	42	24	7	11	85	61	55
Wolverhampton W.	42	24	6	12	106	67	54
Tottenham H.	42	21	11	10	86	50	53
W.B.A. ..	42	19	11	12	83	57	49
Sheffield W.	42	19	11	12	80	59	49
Bolton W.	42	20	8	14	59	51	48
Manchester U.	42	19	7	16	102	80	45
Newcastle U.	42	18	8	16	82	78	44
Preston N.E.	42	16	12	14	79	76	44
Fulham ..	42	17	10	15	73	80	44
Blackpool	42	15	10	17	59	71	40
Leicester C.	42	13	13	16	66	75	39
Arsenal ..	42	15	9	18	68	70	39
West Ham U.	42	16	6	20	75	91	38
Manchester C.	42	17	3	22	78	84	37
Everton ..	42	13	11	18	73	78	37
Blackburn R.	42	16	5	21	60	70	37
Chelsea ..	42	14	9	19	76	91	37
Birmingham C.	42	13	10	19	63	80	36
Nottingham F.	42	13	9	20	50	74	35
Leeds U. ..	42	12	10	20	65	92	34
Luton T. ..	42	9	12	21	50	73	30

he's my guy

A series about
The Chelsea Men
by The
Chelsea Girls

By Claudye Garner

BILL was playing for Loughborough when we first met six years ago, but our introduction had nothing to do with football. I'm French—I come from Lyons—and was on holiday in Spain on the Costa Brava. He was also holidaying there with friends, and fifteen months later we were married.

He was working in a factory at Leicester then as an instrument inspector, and it was when he changed football clubs and joined Bedford that his career really began to take shape. In November 1969 Bill moved to Southend, and the rest you know—one night just over three months ago he was playing for Southend against Chelsea in the League Cup, and next day he became a Chelsea player.

We still live at Southend and will continue to do so. We have most of our friends there, and have made a lot of improvements in the house so don't really want to move.

We go back to France each summer to see my family and friends. I worked as a secretary before I got married, and had various sporting interests like ski-ing,

pot-holing, judo and volleyball. But I didn't get interested in football until I came to live in England.

Now I am very keen, although so far I've seen Bill play for Chelsea only once. That's partly because of the travelling from Southend, but also we have our second baby on the way—due early in April.

Our boy Mark is aged three-and-a-half, and likes to play football with his Dad. Bill also plays golf, chess, cricket and

enjoys fishing. I remember he had rather a short temper on the football field when I first knew him, but he has overcome that as his game has matured.

After having a number of other clubs—first Notts County, then Loughborough before Dunstable, Bedford and Southend—he really appreciates joining a big team like Chelsea. He feels his game has already improved in the short time he has been here. He says that's due to the coaching and training, which are so different from anything he had known before.

And I am very happy and proud to be the wife of a Chelsea football player.



Tables, appearances and goalscorers

FOOTBALL LEAGUE—DIVISION I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	22	10	0	0	29	11	3	6	3	14	15	32
Arsenal	23	9	3	1	18	7	4	2	4	13	16	31
Leeds	22	9	2	1	28	8	3	4	3	15	16	30
Ipswich	22	5	4	2	17	11	4	5	2	13	12	27
CHELSEA	22	5	3	2	18	10	3	5	4	14	16	24
Derby	22	8	2	1	21	9	2	2	7	7	22	24
West Ham	22	7	3	1	28	12	2	2	7	12	19	23
Newcastle	21	6	2	2	17	10	3	3	5	17	19	23
Tottenham	22	5	2	3	14	11	4	3	5	15	15	23
Coventry	22	6	3	3	18	14	3	2	5	6	9	23
Wolves	22	6	1	4	20	16	3	4	4	14	18	23
Man. City	22	8	2	1	23	9	1	2	8	9	24	22
S'th'mpt'n	22	5	4	1	14	8	1	5	6	9	15	21
Norwich	22	5	5	1	13	8	3	0	8	10	25	21
EVERTON	22	5	2	5	17	14	3	2	5	7	9	20
Sheff. Utd.	21	5	3	4	12	10	2	2	5	10	19	19
Birmingham	23	4	5	1	19	12	1	2	10	9	27	17
Stoke	22	4	5	1	20	12	1	1	10	13	25	16
Crystal P.	21	4	3	4	14	12	0	5	5	7	17	16
W.B.A.	22	4	4	3	13	13	1	2	8	9	19	16
Man. Utd.	22	4	3	4	11	11	1	3	7	9	23	16
Leicester	21	3	4	4	13	13	1	3	6	9	17	15

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ipswich Town	20	12	5	3	40	13	29
Birmingham City	22	13	3	6	37	24	29
Tottenham Hotspur	19	10	8	1	37	14	28
CHELSEA	22	10	8	4	22	17	28
Cardiff City	21	11	5	5	31	22	27
Arsenal	18	11	4	3	34	17	26
Queen's Park Rangers	21	9	5	7	33	24	23
Bristol Rovers	21	10	3	8	35	22	23
Fulham	23	7	8	8	26	20	22
Southampton	22	9	4	10	36	34	22
Oxford United	19	7	7	5	22	19	21
Bristol City	21	7	6	8	24	31	20
Norwich City	22	7	6	9	27	35	20
Swindon Town	22	7	5	10	26	30	19
Leicester City	18	6	6	6	22	26	18
Crystal Palace	19	7	3	9	25	26	17
Swansea City	19	6	2	11	37	51	14
Reading	21	6	1	14	22	47	13
Plymouth Argyle	22	4	5	13	19	43	13
West Ham United	21	3	4	14	11	37	10
Bournemouth	17	2	4	11	13	27	8

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE—DIV. I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tottenham Hotspur	17	14	1	2	51	17	29
Arsenal	16	11	4	1	46	18	26
CHELSEA	16	11	2	3	46	19	24
Millwall	18	9	3	6	44	28	21
Charlton Athletic	15	7	4	4	26	22	18
West Ham United	16	7	3	6	34	23	17
Ipswich Town	17	7	3	7	23	29	17
Fulham	17	7	2	8	21	29	16
Crystal Palace	15	6	3	6	35	21	15
Queen's Park Rangers	14	5	5	4	19	19	15
Southend United	15	5	4	6	16	20	14
Brentford	16	4	6	6	17	21	14
Orient	14	4	3	7	22	22	11
Watford	16	3	3	10	19	31	9
Gillingham	14	3	3	8	22	38	9
Luton Town	16	2	5	9	12	42	9
Reading	16	2	0	14	13	67	4

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

HARRIS	22	LOCKE	9
HOLLINS	22	COOKE	7 (1)
KEMBER	21	MULLIGAN	6
McCREADIE	21	PHILLIPS	5
WEBB	21	BASON	3
OSGOOD	20	SHERWOOD	3
GARLAND	17	DEMPSEY	2
HOUSEMAN	15(2)	FEELY	2
BONETTI	14	BALDWIN	1
HUDSON	12	HUTCHINSON	1
DROY	9 (1)	HINTON	— (2)
GARNER	9 (1)	BOYLE	— (1)

Goalscorers: Garland 8, Osgood 7, Garner 3, Cooke 2, Houseman 2, Hutchinson 2, Webb 2, Baldwin 1, Feely 1, Harris 1, Hollins 1, McCreddie 1, Opponent 1. Total 32.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP (Excl. Wednesday)

HARRIS	6	BONETTI	4
HOLLINS	6	BOYLE	2
HOUSEMAN	6	HUDSON	2
McCREADIE	6	PHILLIPS	2
OSGOOD	6	HINTON	1 (1)
WEBB	6	BALDWIN	1
GARLAND	5	DROY	1
KEMBER	5	HUTCHINSON	1
LOCKE	5	MULLIGAN	1

Goalscorers: Garland 3, Kember 2, Osgood 2, Webb 1. Total 8.

Figures in brackets=appearances as substitute.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

BRITTON	21	TAYLOR	7
LAWRENCE	18	BALDWIN	5
HINTON	15	DROY	5
BROWN	14 (2)	FEELY	5
BOYLE	14	FINNIESTON	5
BROLLY	11 (2)	D. RICHARDSON	5
STANLEY	11 (2)	BASON	4 (1)
POTRAC	11	J. SPARROW	4
WILKINS (G.)	11	DEMPSEY	3
LOCKE	10	MULLIGAN	3
PERKINS	9 (1)	P. SEES	3
SHERWOOD	9	HUDSON	2
DAVIS	8	SPONG	2
PHILLIPS	8	WEBB	2
HUTCHINSON	7 (1)	R. WILKINS	2 (1)
ORD	7	HOUSEMAN	1

Goalscorers: Hutchinson 3, Baldwin 2, Bason 2, Brown 2, Feely 2, Finnieston 2, Hinton 2, Lawrence 2, Davis 1, Ord 1, Potrac 1, Stanley 1, Webb 1. Total 22.

SOUTH-EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE—DIV. I

D. LUCAS	14	J. McMORRAN	7
P. SEES	14	B. BOLTON	6
SPONG	14	T. CUNNINGHAM	3(1)
C. HARRIS	13	WILKINS (G.)	3
R. WILKINS	13	L. BRILEY	2 (1)
FINNIESTON	12	R. LEWINGTON	2
D. RICHARDSON	12	S. MACDONALD	2
T. MAYBANK	11	A. PANKHURST	2
BASON	8	M. SORESENSEN	2
BROLLY	8	C. WALKER	2
PERKINS	8	J. WESTWOOD	2
J. SPARROW	8	S. WICKS	1
DAVIS	7	R. STEER	— (2)

Goalscorers: Finnieston 22, Davis 5, R. Wilkins 4, Bason 3, Brolly 3, Lucas 2, Maybank 2, McMorran 2, Perkins 1, Spong 1, Opponent 1. Total 46.

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Golden Goals: This season we specially request **postal claims** by Golden Goals prize-winners. The procedure is shown on the tickets, and goal-times can be checked in the *Evening News* and *Evening Standard* on Mondays after a Saturday home match and on the day after a mid-week fixture.

Norwich (Dec. 9) Norwich (Dec. 13)

£50: 48 mins. 05 secs. **£50:** 10 mins. 52 secs.
£10: 72 mins. 08 secs. **£10:** 11 mins. 32 secs.

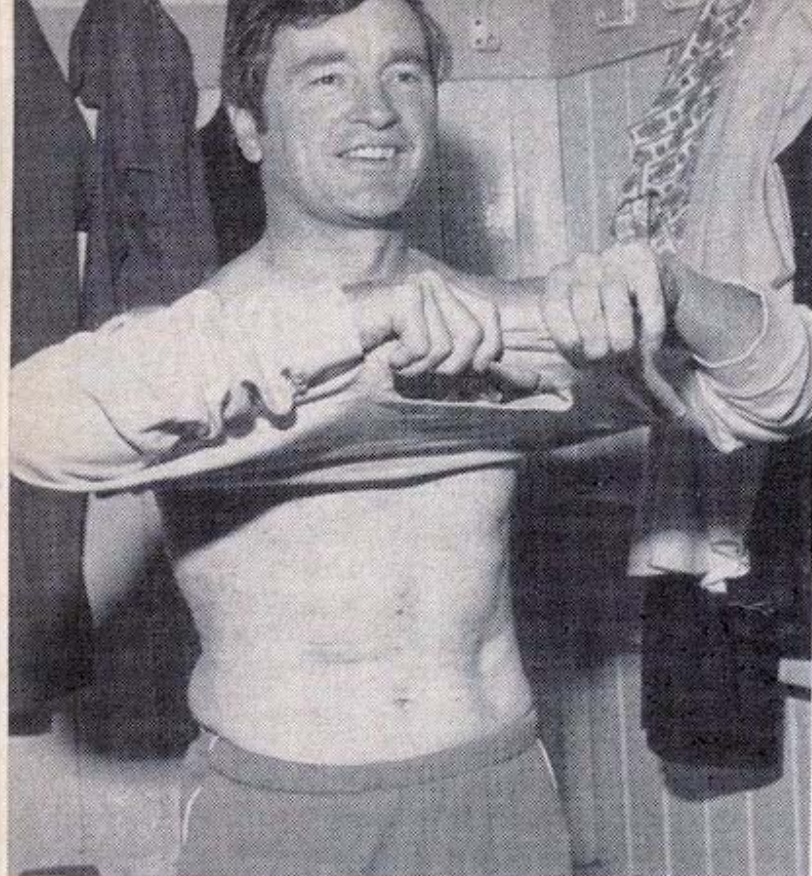
Wed. Sept.	6	(2) Southend Utd.	Away	W	1-0	Garland	24,160
Wed. Oct.	4	(3) Derby County	Away	D	0-0	28,065
Mon. „	9	(Replay) DERBY..	HOME	W	3-2	Kember, Webb, Osgood ..	26,395
Tues. „	31	(4) Bury ..	Away	W	1-0	Garland	16,226
Wed. Nov.	22	(5) NOTTS CO. ..	HOME	W	3-1	Osgood, Garland, Kember ..	22,580
Wed. Dec.	13	(Sf 1) NORWICH	HOME	L	0-2	34,316
Wed. „	20	(Sf 2) Norwich ..	Away			

Sat. Jan. 13 (3) Brighton & H.A. Away
 Dates of other rounds: (4) Feb. 3; (5) Feb. 24;
 (6) Mar. 17; (Sf) Apr. 7; (Final-Wembley) May 5.

The only seats on general sale for home League matches this season are 3,000 (uncovered) in the West Stand Enclosure, price 60p. You may write **at any time**, stating number of seats required and enclosing correct remittance and return envelope, or you may call at the Ticket Office Monday-Friday (hours 9.30 a.m.-4.30 p.m.). All reserved seats have been sold for the matches against Arsenal on Jan. 20 and against Manchester United on April 28.

TICKETS for West End theatres, cinemas, restaurants and night-clubs can be booked at the Chelsea F.C. Box Office, situated in the Main Entrance forecourt. We are now an official branch of the Keith Prowse Ticket Agency, and bookings can also be made for major sports events in London, car hire, coach trips, etc.

To make use of this service, drive in or call at the Box Office during normal working hours (Monday-Friday 9.30 a.m.-4.30 p.m.). Our staff will be happy to look after your requirements. Special rates can normally be arranged for party bookings, and we can organise an evening out for two people or two hundred—all at the press of a button.



Above: Within a couple of days of flying into London, Ken joins us in training at Mitcham. We've never seen a younger-looking grandfather!

Below: Talking tactics with Dave Sexton, as John Hollins practises in the background. Ken showed particular interest in the technique of "bending" the ball from set pieces, adding: "That's something I must show them in New Zealand."



As the boots go on, Ken says: "Now let's get out there with the lads and see how Chelsea training 1972 style compares with what it was in my time."

Look who's here for Christmas . . . all the way from New Zealand

CHRISTMAS is the time for nostalgia as well as celebration, and for the many Chelsea fans whose support stretches back 15 years or more, the pictures on these pages will certainly revive memories. They will not need reminding that right-half **KEN ARMSTRONG** was one of the all-time great Chelsea players, between December 1946, when he joined us after Army service, and May 1957, when he retired and emigrated with his wife Betty and four children to New Zealand. He took with him a League Championship medal, one full England cap and, as a loyal, one-club man, the distinction of having played more League games (362) than anyone in Chelsea history—a total since surpassed by Peter Bonetti and Ron Harris.

Now Ken is in Britain, with his wife, on a triple mission. It's part business (he has been visiting the head office in London of his assurance company in New Zealand), part holiday and, as a member of the New Zealand F.A. selection panel and coach to the Mount Wellington club, he is studying the game here at top-club-level, looking for tactical ideas to improve N.Z. football. He flies back early in the New Year via Rhodesia, where one of his sons, Michael, now lives (the other two, Ronnie and Brian both play National League football for Mount Wellington).





Above: "Doggies." Watching Ian Hutchinson take his turn are, left to right: Tommy Baldwin, Dave Sexton, Ken Armstrong, time-keeper Ron Suart, Alan Hudson, Bill Garner, Steve Kember.

KEN ARMSTRONG 'comes home'

Among old friends as well as new, Ken meets the longest-serving members of our backroom staff, Trainer Harry Medhurst and Dick Spence. Great to see you back, Ken!

Below: Flashback to the Chelsea side of 1954-55 in which Ken won a League Championship medal. He is seen third from left in the back row.



By Albert Sewell

BETWEEN OURSELVES

Programme Editor

THE phraseology of football is changing all the time. I was reminded of this some time ago, after West Ham's 3-1 win here. You may remember that their scorers wore shirt No's. 4, 5, and 6 and some reports made the point that the entire West Ham *half-back line* had got the goals. Ten years or so ago that would have been correct, but now it was a bit of journalistic licence—a phrase of numerical convenience rather than factual accuracy. Because in the modern game there is no such thing as a *half-back line*, except perhaps in the Tottenham programme, which still prints the teams in the old-fashioned formation of two backs, three half-backs and five forwards. Not that Spurs play that way on the field.

No, *half-back line* is obsolete. We no longer have a forward *line*, either. The only line, apart from the goal-line, touchline and half-way line, is the back-four line. The *centre-half* is well-nigh extinct: he's now the centre-back, and there are usually two of them instead of one. Your one-time *wing-half* is now a midfield man; *winger* is almost a forbidden term—but I'm willing to bet it'll come back; and if you still call the fellow in the No. 9 shirt a *centre-forward*, you're showing your ignorance. He's a striker, and so is anyone else who happens to be far enough upfield to put the ball where it belongs—in the enemy's net.

Only the goalkeeper keeps his identity, and that's because his is the one position specifically named in the Laws of the Game, which say: "A match shall be played between two teams, each consisting of not more than eleven players, one of whom shall be the goalkeeper."

In the long-ago reporting of the game, the goalkeeper was referred to as the *custodian*; the ball was the *leather*; the referee was the *man with the whistle*; half-time was *lemon-time*; and that stretch of grass out there in the middle was not the pitch (sorry . . . park)—it was the *lush, green sward*. It was all revived by a phrase I read recently in one of those Saturday night pink papers they do so well in the provinces. There it was, tucked away in the second half account of some minor match: *End to end play then ensued, each goal being visited in turn*. Lovely stuff recalling days when the second-half was the *second moiety*, the home side were the *homesters* . . . and Chelsea were, of course, the *Pensioners*.

Which sends me off at a slight tangent to another point. While the coverage of football by radio and television has advanced enormously, it has gone backward in the London evening papers on Saturday night. Outside the two or three main matches, there is hardly a second half paragraph to be seen anywhere. It's all to do with the rush to be on the streets within minutes of 5 p.m. Then how do the provinces manage to do a much more complete job, you may ask. The explanation is that they sell in a tight area, within a few miles of the town square or city centre, whereas on Saturday evening London's City end is comparatively deserted, and the papers must be rushed to suburban selling-points.

In all the hurry it's surprising there are not more misprints. Clearer telephone lines have helped, of course, or we might still be getting the sort of classic gaff that came over the phone from Wembley one pre-war Cup Final day. Setting the scene, the news reporter covering the match dictated: "After the teams had been presented to him, the King took his seat in the stand." At the other end of a badly distorted line, the copy-taker took it down on his typewriter as . . . "the King shook his feet in the sand."

Getting back to football phraseology, perhaps someone up there in the Chelsea Press box, looking for a bit of Christmas jollity, might like to have a shot at describing today's goals in tomorrow's paper in yesterday's terminology. Goals, of course, are the lifeblood of football and football reporting, so it will help if Ossie or Chris *suspends the spheroid in the rigging* a time or two!

COMBINATION COMMENT

CHELSEA Reserves lost the lead in the Football Combination following defeats on the last two Saturdays. At Norwich (December 9) our run of eight games unbeaten came to an end with a 0-2 reverse, and the timing of those Norwich goals was a portent of "things to come" in the League Cup semi-final first leg here four days later, for both were scored in the first twelve minutes.

We fought back well after such a bad start, with right-back Gary Locke not only excelling at



IAN BRITTON
Stylish wee Scot

the back but also going upfield for two good shots. "Butch" Wilkins had a 20-yard volley cleared off the line, and 18-year-old Ian Britton, our little Scottish mid-field dynamo from Dundee, continued in the form that has made him our most consistent Reserve in the first half of the season.

Britton again stood out in last Saturday's home game against Bristol City (0-1), and so did defender John Sparrow, who is only fifteen and was the youngest player on the field. John Boyle was back to his best in midfield.

After 20 minutes we lost Bobby Brown with a recurring back injury. We were not impressive up front, and City held on to win by the goal which their centre-back headed from a corner.

(Team line-ups for the above games appear under Match Summaries on page 19.)

WITH THE JUNIORS

IN the S.E. Counties League Division I, we beat Brentford 1-0 at home at Mitcham (December 9). Normally, we would have fielded a much stronger side, but with five Juniors on duty with the Combination side at Norwich, we were satisfied to take both points, although by the only goal.

It came ten minutes after half-time from a corner by Mike Brolly. David Lucas did well to get in behind the "wall" and scored with a header.

Last Saturday, we met another of our challengers for the S.E. Counties Championship, Arsenal at London Colney, and although we were beaten 2-1 Youth Manager Ken Shellito reports that this was the best match of the season in which Chelsea's Juniors have been engaged.

Arsenal went ahead after 15 minutes with a 40-yard shot. Five minutes before half-time, Steve Finnieston was brought down and "Butch" Wilkins equalised with the penalty.

We were at our best in a second half of bold attacking by both teams. Twice we were close to taking the lead, but with two minutes left, Arsenal scored the winner—another long shot, this time a 30-yarder through a ruck of players.

Cup Tickets: Notice to Season-Ticket Holders

HOME matches, including replays, in the League Cup or F.A. Cup are treated strictly in the order played at this ground. As announced on your season-ticket renewal form, 25% of all seats must be allocated to the visitors and in the circumstances at one out of every four such ties season-ticket holders will not be able to apply for their own seat.

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For the match or matches at which we are unable to allocate you your own seat, you can apply for a bench seat in the West (open) Enclosure.

In off the post

Your letters should be of not more than 150 words and addressed to "In off the Post", Chelsea F.C., Fulham Road, London, SW6 1HS

'ACTION GROUP NEEDED'

HAVING seen your recent attempt in the programme to re-unite the Barnes family, a thought occurred to me. Chelsea should be the first club to start a comprehensive attempt at understanding troublesome fans.

An "action" group, formed of Chelsea players and social workers, should meet and exchange ideas in view of future undertakings. Football players are gods in the eyes of the young supporters. Therefore anything done in the name of a player would be more likely to meet with success.

Could I suggest that a meeting be held in the near future between players and social workers to discuss the possibilities of forming an "action group". I am prepared to offer my services.

Julian Rankin.

7 Abbotsbury Road,
London W.14.

● *The idea is not without some merit, and is something we may consider at a later stage of redevelopment.*

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SENDING-OFF VIEWPOINT

TO prevent a player being sent off after a booking (e.g. Geoff Hurst in the Stoke v. Ipswich match) could not a partial suspension scheme be brought in?

A player could be sent off the pitch for a certain length of time and then brought back into the game after, say, twenty or thirty minutes.

Ruth Searle.

Christ Church Vicarage,
Heathside Road, Woking.

MEMORY MAN

I HAVE just finished your wonderful Chelsea Book No. 3. I was specially fascinated with the record section showing the Chelsea players and their appearances from the beginning of the Club.

What names and what memories they conjure up. Was it really over fifty years ago when I ran back to climb the wooden railings at the top of the ground behind the Fulham Road end in the last few minutes of a game to see Chelsea goalkeeper Howard Baker run the full length of the field to take a penalty and, I think, win the game, against Bradford City? I was only a kid but I always have thought of that particular incident.

I do not get to Stamford Bridge much these days but both my sons are season-ticket holders. Many, many thanks for a smashing book.

F. Richman.

24 Newland Court,
Forty Avenue, Wembley Park, Middx.

IT WAS TONY, NOT ALAN

IN the Chelsea Magazine quiz you ask: Who was Chelsea's first £100,000 signing?

The answer given is: Alan Birchenall, Nov. 1967.

Surely it should be Tony Hateley, signed from Aston Villa in October 1966?

C. Webster.

76, Sycamore Way,
Basingstoke, Hants.

● *You're absolutely right, sir. Hateley was signed for Chelsea by Tommy Docherty, and Birchenall was Dave Sexton's first £100,000 signing. Sorry for the slip.*

CHELSEA v EVERTON

A N A G R A M

SOLVE the 11 player anagrams (five each from Chelsea and Everton plus one from a "neutral" club), then place them in their right positions in 1-11 order to create a combined TEAM in the right-hand column. (Answers on page 19)

CHELSEA (All played in last 20 years)	CLUES	TEAM
(a) Bank on left runs	"Bees" Boss	1.
(b) Pet goose, Rod?	Windsor-born wizard!	2.
(c) Wrong roe done	Manager in Town	3.
(d) Woe! Shed voters	Debut at Derby	4.
(e) Gnat by limb, Bob	Blues' record breaker	5.
NEUTRAL (f) Temper strain	Much-capped Spur	6.
EVERTON (All played in last 10 years)		
(g) Now lay Sir!	World Cup back	7.
(h) Law tail, then?	Fair-headed forward	8.
(i) Old land hawker	Cup Finalist with Preston	9.
(j) Oh, Clair, envy!	Mid-field star	10.
(k) Park ale, Rex	Former Scottish cap	11.

CHELSEA v. EVERTON PAST LEAGUE RESULTS

Season	Home	Away	Season	Home	Away
1907-08	2-1	3-0	1948-49	6-0	1-2
1908-09	3-3	2-3	1949-50	3-2	1-1
1909-10	0-1	2-2	1950-51	2-1	0-3
1912-13	1-3	0-1	1954-55	0-2	1-1
1913-14	2-0	0-0	1955-56	6-1	3-3
1914-15	2-0	2-2	1956-57	5-1	3-0
1919-20	0-1	3-2	1957-58	3-1	0-3
1920-21	0-1	1-5	1958-59	3-1	1-3
1921-22	1-0	3-2	1959-60	1-0	1-6
1922-23	3-1	1-3	1960-61	3-3	1-1
1923-24	1-1	0-2	1961-62	1-1	0-4
1931-32	0-0	2-7	1963-64	1-0	1-1
1932-33	1-0	2-3	1964-65	5-1	1-1
1933-34	2-0	1-2	1965-66	3-1	1-2
1934-35	3-0	2-3	1966-67	1-1	1-3
1935-36	2-2	1-5	1967-68	1-1	1-2
1936-37	4-0	0-0	1968-69	1-1	2-1
1937-38	2-0	1-4	1969-70	1-1	2-5
1938-39	0-2	1-4	1970-71	2-2	0-3
1946-47	1-1	0-2	1971-72	4-0	0-2
1947-48	3-1	3-2			

(In all results, Chelsea's score is given first.)

Summary

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Home ..	41	23	12	6	85	39	58
Away ..	41	6	10	25	51	101	22
Total ..	82	29	22	31	136	140	80

LP FOR CHRISTMAS?

THE recently-issued long-playing record by the Chelsea first-team squad includes, of course, their hit number "Blue is the Colour." It's available from the Club Office, price £1.99, or at £2.20 by post. Cheques/postal orders should be made payable to "Chelsea Players' Pool."

EVERTON'S RESULTS THIS SEASON (Numbered in sequence order)

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Home		Away
3. Man. Utd.	W 2-0	1. Norwich .. D 1-1
4. C. Palace	D 1-1	2. Man. City W 1-0
6. Derby ..	W 1-0	5. Stoke City D 1-1
7. W.B.A. ..	W 1-0	9. Leicester .. W 2-1
10. S'th'mpt'n	L 0-1	11. Birmingham L 1-2
12. Newcastle	W 3-1	13. Liverpool L 0-1
14. Leeds Utd.	L 1-2	15. Sheff. Utd. W 1-0
16. Ipswich T.	D 2-2	17. C. Palace .. L 0-1
18. Man. City	L 2-3	19. Arsenal .. L 0-1
20. West Ham	L 1-2	21. Coventry .. L 0-1
22. Wolves ..	L 0-1	
23. Tottenham	W 3-1	

Goalscorers: Royle 7, Connolly 4, Whittle 3, Kendall 2, Kenyon 2, Belfitt 1, Hurst 1, Johnson 1, Newton 1, Wright (B.) 1. Opponent 1. Total 24.

LEAGUE CUP

Away
8. Arsenal .. L 0-1

THE MATCH LAST SEASON

Sat., Jan. 29: **Chelsea 4** (Osgood 2, Hollins—pen., Dempsey), **Everton 0**. Half-time: 0-0. Attendance: 38,558.

After a goalless first half, we scored three in ten minutes at the start of the second—Osgood's header, Hollins' penalty after Osgood was tripped, and Dempsey's header from a corner. Osgood shot the fourth after 75 mins.

EVERTON 1972-73



Back row: Mike Bernard, Joe Royle, David Davies, Gordon West, David Lawson, Bernie Wright, John Connolly.
Middle row: Tommy Eggleston (Asst. Manager), Tommy Wright, John Hurst, Roger Kenyon, Mick Lyons, Peter Scott, David Johnson (now Ipswich), Henry Newton, Stuart Imlach (Trainer-Coach).
Front row: Colin Harvey, Howard Kendall, John McLaughlin, Harry Catterick (Manager), Mike Buckley, Alan Whittle (now Crystal Palace), Jimmy Husband.

FOCUS on our VISITORS

SINCE winning the League Championship in 1970, Everton have finished both times in the lower half of the table, but when, after this season's first eight games, they were unbeaten leaders of the First Division, it seemed as if Goodison Park was heading for glory again.

The most significant factor in the revival was that Joe Royle was getting goals again—in October he regained his England place and scored a fine goal against Yugoslavia at Wembley. Then Royle injured his back. He broke down again in training recently, and it is thought unlikely that he will play again this season.

Royle's injury sent Everton's fortunes sliding. Before they beat Tottenham at Goodison last Saturday they had lost six games in a row—all by the odd goal—and dropped to fifteenth. Two weeks ago they paid their record fee of £180,000 for Joe Harper, the little Aberdeen and Scotland striker, and on the same day recouped half the money by transferring Alan Whittle to Crystal Palace.

Harper was Everton's second forward capture in two months, following the signing of former Leeds United man Rod Belfitt from Ipswich in October. The newcomers have some sharpshooting to do to overtake Royle, who is still well in front as Everton's leading individual scorer for the season.

THEIR PLAYERS

DAVID LAWSON: Signed from Huddersfield last June for a British record goalkeeper fee of £80,000. Originally with Newcastle, he played for Shrewsbury

and Bradford before moving to Huddersfield in 1969. Born Wallsend-on-Tyne. 6 ft. 0½ in., 12 st.

TOMMY WRIGHT: This England full-back (11 caps) was recalled to first-team duty last Saturday. He joined Everton from school and made the first of nearly 300 league appearances in Oct. 1964. Born Liverpool. 5 ft. 8 in., 11 st. 3 lb.

ARTHUR STYLES: 22-year-old full-back who made League debut two weeks ago after three seasons as reserve. Former England Schoolboy International, he joined the club as a junior. Born Liverpool. 5 ft. 10 in., 10 st. 10 lb.

HOWARD KENDALL: Everton's captain and distinguished midfield player was signed from Preston for £80,000 in March 1967. The youngest-ever F.A. Cup Finalist (17 years 345 days) for Preston against West Ham in 1964. Born Durham. Six England Under-23 caps. 5 ft. 8 in., 11 st.

ROGER KENYON: Succeeded Brian Labone as Everton centre-half two seasons ago. Joined the club as junior, turning professional May 1964. Born Blackpool. 6 ft., 12 st.

JOHN HURST: Experienced defender with over 250 senior appearances. Began this season in reserves, but is firmly re-established in the first-team. Former captain of England Under-23 side (nine caps). Born Blackpool. 5 ft. 10 in., 11 st. 5 lb.

BERNIE WRIGHT: This 20-year-old forward began last season as an amateur with Walsall; scored on his League debut in October and was transferred to Everton for £30,000 in February. Born Birmingham. 5 ft. 11 in., 13 st.

MIKE BUCKLEY: A former Everton apprentice who made League debut as substitute against Liverpool last March. Had made six First Division appearances at start of this season and was recently recalled. Born Manchester. 5 ft. 5 in., 9 st. 6 lb.

JOE HARPER: Became Everton's costliest player when signed from Aberdeen two weeks ago for £180,000—a record fee between English and Scottish clubs. Aged 24, with two full and two Under-23 Scottish caps. Previously with Morton, Huddersfield and Morton again, he scored 38 goals in Scotland last season and 24 this term. Born Greenock. 5 ft. 6 in., 11 st.

ROD BELFITT: 26-year-old striker who joined Everton from Ipswich in October at a £75,000 valuation in deal involving the reverse move of £125,000-rated David Johnson. Originally with Leeds. Born Bournemouth. 5 ft. 11½ in., 11 st. 11 lb.

JOHN CONNOLLY: This lively 21-year-old winger with one Scottish Under-23 cap cost £70,000 from St. Johnstone last March and has given some impressive displays in Division One. Was St. Johnstone's leading scorer for two seasons. Born Glasgow. 5 ft. 9 in., 10 st. 7 lb.

MIKE BERNARD: At £140,000 was signed from Stoke last May as midfield replacement for Alan Ball. A former England Youth and Under-23 International (three caps), he was in Stoke's League Cup-winning side against us last March. Born Shrewsbury. 5 ft. 9½ in., 10 st. 10 lb.

COLIN HARVEY: England midfield player with one full cap and five for Under-23's. Has been with Everton since leaving school. Made the first of over 300 senior appearances in 1963 against Inter-Milan in European Cup. Born Liverpool. 5 ft. 7½ in., 11 st.

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Chief Coach: MR. STUART IMLACH.
Captain: HOWARD KENDALL.

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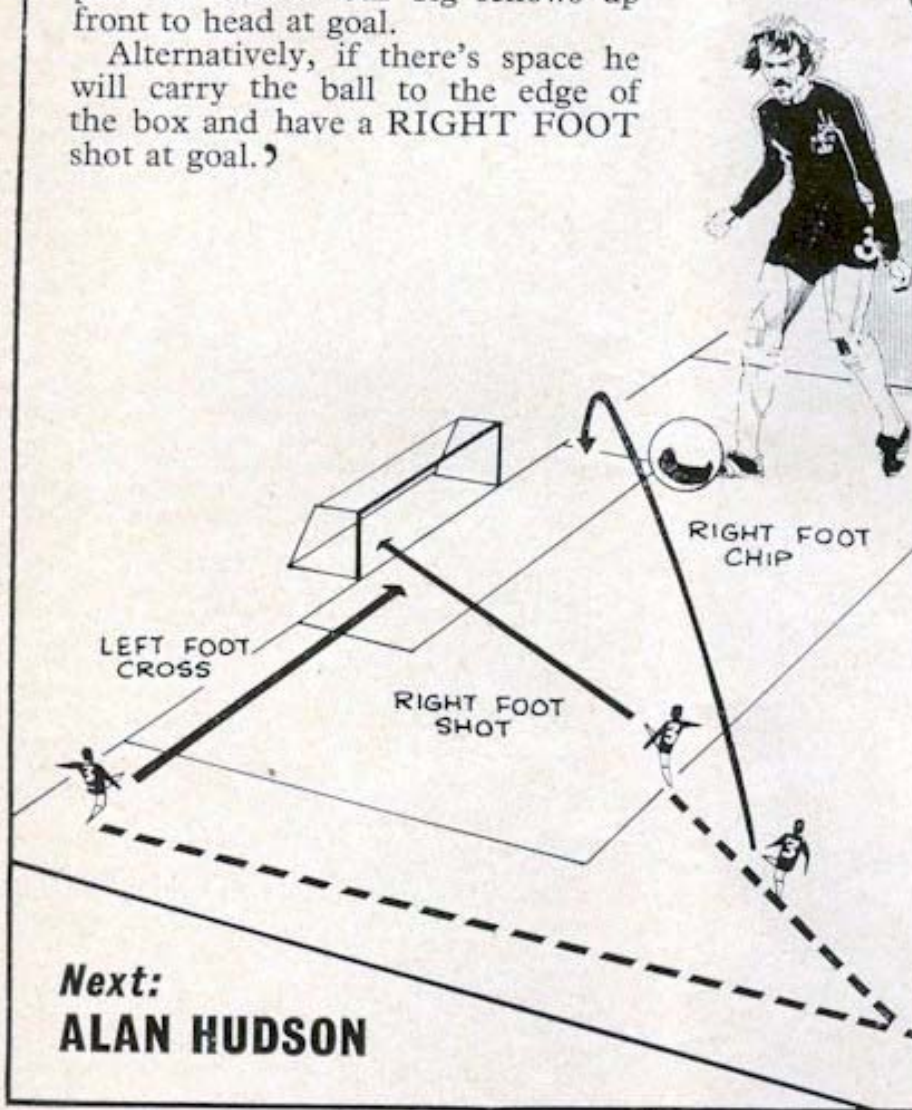
Manager Dave Sexton and Britain's top sports artist, Trevillion, combine to produce an exciting visual appraisal of Chelsea's players. Today's star:

EDDIE McCREADIE

WATCH for the two-footedness of Eddie McCreadie, who is exceptionally good at carrying the ball forward into our opponents' half of the field. On crossing the halfway line McCreadie has two choices—he can either go down the left wing to the line and, with his **LEFT FOOT**, hit a hard low cross to the near post (in the space between their defenders and the goal) for our forwards to run onto.

OR he can cut inside and then, if challenged, he can chip the ball **RIGHT FOOT** to the far post for one of our big fellows up front to head at goal.

Alternatively, if there's space he will carry the ball to the edge of the box and have a **RIGHT FOOT** shot at goal.



Next:
ALAN HUDSON

MATCH SUMMARIES RESULTS TEAMS SCORERS

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Saturday, 9th December.

Beat NORWICH CITY (Home) 3-1. Half-time: 0-0.

Chelsea: Phillips; Harris, McCreadie, Hollins, Droy, Webb, Garner, Hudson, Osgood, Hutchinson, Houseman. Substitute (did not play): Baldwin.

Scorers: Garner, Hutchinson 2.

Norwich: Keelan; Butler, Black, Stringer, Govier, Briggs (Howard), Livermore, Bone, Cross, Paddon, Anderson.

Scorer: Bone.

Referee: Mr. C. Fallon (Blackpool).

Attendance: 29,998.

This was the happiest possible return for Hutchinson, 22 months out of first-team football. After Garner drove us ahead three mins. into the second half, Hutchinson hit a post, then (58 mins.) scored with a deflected shot. Bone went past three men for a spectacular reply, but Hudson and Osgood combined to set up our third goal, shot by Hutchinson to another ovation from stands and terraces. Droy, who completed the match, was afterwards discovered to have broken a bone in the left foot in a first-half fall.

Saturday, 16th December.

Lost to WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS (Away) 0-1. Half-time: 0-1.

Wolves: Parkes; Taylor, McAlle, Bailey, Munro, Jefferson, Sunderland, Hibbitt, Richards, Kindon, Wagstaffe.

Scorer: Sunderland.

Chelsea: Phillips; Locke, Houseman, Hollins, Webb, Harris, Garland, Hudson, Osgood, Kember (Hinton), Garner.

Referee: Mr. V. J. Batty (Helsby, Cheshire).

Attendance: 20,799.

Wolves' winner came as early as the fourth minute, when, from Bailey's throw-in, Kindon's decoy run to the right opened a path for Sunderland to go through and score his first League goal. Houseman played left-back in the absence of McCreadie (back injury) and Hollins was captain.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP

SEMI-FINAL—1st LEG

Wednesday, 13th December.

Lost to NORWICH CITY (Home) 0-2. Half-time: 0-2.

Chelsea: Phillips; Locke, McCreadie, Hollins, Webb, Harris, Garland, Hudson, Osgood, Hutchinson, Houseman. Substitute (did not play): Baldwin.

Norwich: Keelan; Butler, Black, Stringer, Govier, Briggs, Livermore, Bone, Cross, Paddon, Anderson.

Scorers: Bone, Cross.

Referee: Mr. H. New (Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol).

Attendance: 34,316.

With goals in the 11th and 13th mins., backed by all-round teamwork and incessant running, Norwich completely reversed events in the League game here four days previously. On another heavy pitch, errors were paid for in goals, and ten mins. into the second half Briggs hit the post. Houseman swerved a free-kick

into the net direct but the kick was indirect, and Keelan saved well as we pressed through the closing stages. Two Norwich players were booked first half: Butler and Paddon.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Saturday, 9th December.

Lost to NORWICH CITY (Away) 0-2.

Team: D. Richardson; Locke, Lawrence, Perkins, J. Sparrow (Bason), Britton, Hinton, R. Wilkins, Ord, Finnieston, Stanley.

Saturday, 16th December.

Lost to BRISTOL CITY (Home) 0-1.

Team: D. Richardson; Wilkins (G.), Dempsey, Perkins, J. Sparrow, Britton, Boyle, Brown (Stanley), Ord, Baldwin, Taylor.

S.E. COUNTIES LEAGUE—DIV. I

Saturday, 9th December.

Beat BRENTFORD (Home—Mitcham) 1-0.

Team: J. Westwood; S. Macdonald, P. Sees, L. Briley, Spong, C. Harris, Brolly, T. Maybank, J. McMorran, D. Lucas, Davis.

Scorer: Lucas.

Saturday, 16th December.

Lost to ARSENAL (Away) 1-2.

Team: J. Westwood; T. Cunningham, P. Sees, D. Lucas, Spong, C. Harris, Bason, R. Wilkins, Finnieston, T. Maybank, Brolly.

Scorer: Wilkins (penalty).

S.E. COUNTIES LEAGUE—DIV. II

Saturday, 16th December.

Lost to ORIENT (Away) 1-3.

Team: G. Williams; M. Wright, J. Baines, J. Brennan, A. Peploe, R. Lewington, A. Pommell, B. Bolton, J. McMorran, S. Wicks, P. Mayles.

Scorer: Wicks.

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ANAGRAM ANSWERS

(See page 15)

The team is as follows: 1. Steve Sherwood (d). 2. Alex Parker (k). 3. Ray Wilson (g). 4. Howard Kendall (i). 5. Ron Greenwood (c). 6. Colin Harvey (j). 7. Alan Whittle (h). 8. Bobby Tambling (e). 9. Peter Osgood (b). 10. Martin Peters (f). 11. Frank Blunstone (a).

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For Them: F.A. Book for Boys 60p; F.A. Year Book 35p; Chelsea Book No. 3 £1.15; Club Badges 25p to 50p; Teddy Bear £1.40 to £2.40; Playing Kit £2.20 to £2.45; Duffle Bag £1.00.

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Please post your record requests to: Pre-Match Spin, Chelsea F.C., Stamford Bridge Grounds, Fulham Road, London, SW6 1HS. Dedications should be received **two weeks** in advance.

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Saturday, 30th December (3 p.m.)

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FIRST DIVISION

A	Birmingham v. Arsenal
B	Leicester v. Crystal Palace
C	Liverpool v. Coventry
D	Manchester United v. Leeds	.....
E	Newcastle v. Manchester City	.....
F	Norwich v. Wolves	.....
G	Southampton v. West Ham	.....
H	Stoke v. Derby	.....
J	Tottenham v. Sheffield United	.....
K	W.B.A. v. Ipswich	.....

SECOND DIVISION

L	Brighton v. Q.P.R.	.....
M	Burnley v. Oxford United	.....
N	Cardiff v. Sunderland	.....
O	Huddersfield v. Hull	.....
P	Middlesbrough v. Luton	.....
R	Millwall v. Carlisle	.....
S	Nottingham Forest v. Blackpool	.....
T	Orient v. Portsmouth
U	Preston v. Bristol City
V	Sheffield Wed. v. Aston Villa
W	Swindon v. Fulham

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