

1882/83

## THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CHALLENGE CUP

### FIRST ROUND:

Football:A Weekly Record of the Game 4/10/82 P.12:

The draw for the First Round in the Cup Competition took place with the following result.The first-named club in each case has choice of ground.The ties must be played off on or before November 4<sup>th</sup>:

### NORTHERN CLUBS

#### FIRST DIVISION:

Queen's Park,Glasgow v Grimsby  
Macclesfield v Lockwood Brothers ,Sheffield  
Nottingham v Sheffield  
Phoenix Bessemer,Rotherham v Grantham  
Sheffield Wednesday v Spilsby  
Notts Forest v Brigg Britannia  
Heeley,a bye

GRIMSBY TOWN walked over QUEEN'S PARK,GLASGOW,scratched(Sportsman 7/11/82 P.2)

MACCLESFIELD 3 (Goldthorpe,Sadler 2) LOCKWOOD BROTHERS 4 (West,Others 3)  
(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(At Macclesfield)

(No local report found)/No report in Northwich Guardian/AFS:

#### MACCLESFIELD COURIER BEING DIGITISED

Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4:"Played at Macclesfield on Saturday last,and resulted,after a capital game,witnessed by over 2000 spectators,in a victory for the Sheffield eleven by four goals to three."(No teams)

Macclesfield:J.Morton;Bancroft,Dunkerley;Downie,S.Morton,R.S.Cumberbatch;  
Goldthorpe,Bates,Hall,Rutland,Sadler.(AFS)

Lockwood Brothers:W.Beard;T.Buttery,J.+Rutherford;Cutts,J.Thorpe,G.Harris(s);  
F.West,J.Beard,J.Houseley,J.Sellars,J.Wood.(AFS:initials added from elsewhere)

+Maybe Ruddeford

NOTTS CLUB 5 (A.W.Cursham 2,H.A.Cursham 2,S.G.Smith) SHEFFIELD CLUB 1 (F.Marsden)(H.T. 3-0)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(At Whey House Field,Castle Club Cricket Ground,Queen's Walk,Nottingham)

N.B.Score 5-1 as in NEP/NG/SDT/SI/AN/SM/SL/REF ,not 6-1 as in Notts History/AFS,which attribute 3 goals to A.W.Cursham:may be confusion as A.W.Cursham had 1 goal(NEP/SI)and 2 goals(SDT) disallowed for offside in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half.However,see FWR below which gives 6-1 wth H.A.Cursham

getting the last 2 goals "in rapid succession" NJ gives 5-1 but describes 6 goals,3 for AW,2 for H.A. and 1 for SmithREVIEW WITH TONY

Nottingham Evening Post 6/11/82 P.4/Nottinghamshire Guardian 10/11/82 P.12/Nottingham Journal 6/11/82 P.4/Sheffield Daily Telegraph 6/11/82 P.4/Sheffield Independent 6/11/82 P.4/Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.85/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Referee 5/11/82 P.5:

NEP/NG:"These teams met on Saturday to play off their tie in the English Challenge Cup Competition,at the Castle Club Cricket ground,Queen's Walk.The two clubs had played an ordinary match on Saturday Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>,when Notts. won easily by eight goals to one,but this result did not detract in any way from the interest felt in the Cup tie game,and there must have been fully 2,000 spectators present on the Whey House field when the match started.Naturally enough the ground was soft having been well under water the previous week end,but its condition was by no means so bad as might have been expected.A strong wind prevailed,and blowing right across the field of play,the ball frequently went out of bounds over the touch-line nearest the stand,and this made good play and accurate kicking rather uncertain.Owing to the late arrival of the visitors the game was not commenced until twenty minutes after the advertised time,and Notts,having won the toss,chose the pavilion goal,and Marsden kicked off for Sheffield.The ball landed to Jessop,who returned it,but the Yorkshiremen again attacked his position,and he had to use his hands to clear it,which he did in good style.

Notts now took up the offensive, and the ball was worked down on the left wing,and after a slight scrimmage in front of the Sheffield posts a corner kick was given to the home team.This was well judged,and Arthur Cursham managed to rush the ball through,the first goal being scored by Notts within five minutes of the commencement.After the kick-off the game still continued to be fought close to the Sheffield line,and at least one good opportunity of scoring was missed by a Notts forward,while from a pass by H.A.Cursham,Gunn made a good run,only,however,to send the ball over the cross-bar.Owing to Greenhalgh being charged over from behind,a foul was given against Sheffield within 20 yards of their goal,Chapman taking the kick,which did not result in anything tangible.Three times in quick succession was the ball sent over the touch-line on the stand side,after which H.Barber and C.Sorby removed the struggle from their end of the ground,the first-named sticking to the ball with great determination.

Jessop had to be busy,but by first throwing the ball away and next by a smart kick he prevented the attack being successful.The Notts forwards came to his relief,and by some good passing the contest was waged near the visitors' citadel and at last Smith made a capital shot,which went through the goal for the second time,off H.A.Cursham's breast.An appeal was made for "offside" against that player but it was disallowed(FWR:"This goal should have been disallowed,as Gunn played the ball when clearly off side,but the Sheffielders were evidently not wide-awake,and no claim was made.").On the game being resumed Gunn worked the ball down the left,but sent it over the line,while a fine centre which the same player made a few seconds afterwards,was only kept from going through by the activity of the Sheffield goal-keeper.

A claim for "hands" was given against the Yorkshire eleven near their stronghold and the kick finally resulted in Smith obtaining the third goal credited to his side.The strangers,notwithstanding these reverses,played up very pluckily,and not two minutes had elapsed since the last goal had been made that Jessop had again to exert himself.Being charged over,however,he yet managed,while down,to very cleverly save the shot,all along the ground,from being converted into the desired point.The ball

was soon taken away from the home team's posts, and a corner was secured by Notts, but Smith did not allow for the wind, and the ball went over the goal-line. Still the game was against Sheffield, and three consecutive shots taxed the skill of A.E. Sorby, but he proved equal to the occasion, though A. Cursham missed an easy chance of scoring a few minutes afterwards. The Yorkshiremen again attacked the Notts goal, H. Barber doing good work, but a shot sent in by him went on the wrong side of the post, and a similar result attended an effort to score made by Marsden. Gunn dribbled the ball well on the left flank, and centred well to H.A. Cursham, who kicked over the bar, and from a run and a pass by Greenhalgh the Notts centre forward sent in a hot shot, which A.E. Sorby held. Before the interval had been reached Jessop had twice to use his hands, and one of the attempts to score by Marsden was a very clever effort, which was just as cleverly stopped by the Notts goal-keeper. At "half time" Notts had obtained three goals, and been conceded two corner kicks, their opponents having failed to score. With the change of ends the visitors played up in admirable fashion, and the game was of a very equal character during the second half.

H. Cursham kicked off and worked the ball down, passing to his brother, who, however, kicked it over the bar. Again was the onslaught on the Sheffield point of defence renewed, and a very pretty piece of play ended with the ball being sent under the bar. Gunn ran it down for a short distance and then transferred to Greenhalgh, the captain passing it to H.A. Cursham, who in turn sent the ball to his brother, who completed the business by scoring. The point on appeal for "offside" was disallowed. Twice H. Barber, on the Sheffield left, was instrumental in the ball being taken into neutral territory, but it was soon again at the Sheffield end, A.E. Sorby twice repelling in a wonderfully smart fashion. Gunn had a throw in near his antagonists' line, but, though he dropped the ball right in front of the posts, full advantage was not taken of the opportunity, and a subsequent shot, that looked like going through, was well saved by the goal-keeper. A.W. Cursham and Smith, with a neat run down the right flank, again endangered their opponents' citadel, but E. Barber and Rogers made matters safe for a few moments, and the ball was at the Notts end, from whence it was well returned by the backs. A run by H.A. Cursham, Greenhalgh, and Gunn ended in a corner kick, which was taken by the last-named player, but it was attended by no result. Rogers and Marsden were the principals in a sharp raid on the home side's posts, and from a shot at goal, a corner-the first-had to be given to Sheffield. Jessop, in clearing his position from a determined attack, had to hand the ball over his cross-bar, and a second corner was thus quickly obtained by the visitors. For a few minutes the play was all at the Notts end, and at the finish (SI: "from a splendid run on the right by H. Barber...") Marsden got the ball past Jessop, the first success for the visitors being greeted by the most impartial cheering. From the kick off Barber worked the ball down to the Notts end, but Rogers kicked it over, and this was quickly followed by the third corner to Sheffield. However, the siege was at last raised by some good work on the part of the Notts backs, and a pretty run by the two brothers ended in A. Cursham obtaining the fourth goal for the home team. The ball was next kicked over the Sheffield line by C.T. Dobson, and following this a run by A.W. Cursham was concluded by Jeeves sending the ball over his own line. Nothing came of the corner kick, and H. Barber and C. Sorby were once more very active.

To keep the ball from going through Jessop had to concede another corner kick, which was fruitless, and Gunn made an incursion into the Sheffield half, and passing the ball at the right moment to H.A. Cursham, that player managed to get the ball past the Sheffield goalkeeper for the fifth time. Nothing further of moment occurred before the call of "time", except that Jessop had to twice handle the ball owing to a "foul" being given against Notts close to their own post, and the match ended in a victory for Notts by five goals to one, the home team having had five corner kicks to four secured by their opponents. Both goal-keepers played well, as did the brothers Cursham, Greenhalgh,

and +C.T.Dobson for the winners,while H.Barber,Marsden,and Rogers seemed to work the hardest for the visitors.”+C.F.Dobson

SI:”A high wind prevailed and the weather was very cold,but still there were about 2,000 spectators present...””The toss was won by the home team,and Sheffield kicked off with the wind slightly in their favour,and after two or three minutes’ play A.W.Cursham scored for Notts.A little later H.Cursham made a second goal,and before half time a third was made out of a scrimmage by Smith. During the second half Sheffield played better together,and from a splendid run on the right by H.Barber,Marsden was enabled to score.Towards the close the brothers Cursham,who seemed irresistible,ran up an additional two goals,and finally Notts were victorious by five goals to one.”

FWR:”About ten minutes before time Notts played together again,and H.A.Cursham scored twice in rapid succession,thus leaving his side winners by six goals to one.”

Notts Club:H.Jessop(Goal),H.T.Moore,A.T.(C.)Dobson(Backs),S.Macrae,H.Chapman,C.F.Dobson (Half Backs),A.W.Cursham,S.G.Smith(Right Wing),H.A.Cursham(Centre),W.Gunn,E.H.Greenhalgh (Left Wing).

(SDT/SI /NEP/NG/NJ//FWR/BL/AN/SM/SL/F/REF all have C.T.Dobson for C.F.Dobson in NC History:however later corrected to C.F.Dobson in later reports and lineups)

Sheffield Club:A.E.Sorby(Goal),J.Jeeves,W.F.Beardshaw(Backs),W.Robinson,+C.K.Baker, J.H.Barber(Half Backs);E.Barber,W.F.Rodgers(Right Wing),F.H.Marsden(Centre), H.Barber,C.E.Sorby(Left Wing).

+Check initials

Umpires:A.T.Ashwell(Notts) and R.H.Wake Sheffield).Referee:N.L.Jackson(London Association).

PHOENIX BESSEMER walked over GRANTHAM scratched(Sportsman 7/11/82 P.2)

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 12 (A.Malpas,R.Gregory 5,T.E.Cawley 2,H.Newbould 3,G.Anthony) SPILSBY 2 (B.Robinson, J.Barratt)(H.T. 5-2)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(At Sheffield)

N.B SWCR has T.E.Cawley scoring the first A.Malpas goal.

Sheffield Independent 6/11/82 P.4/Sheffield Daily Telegraph 6/11/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.8/Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3(Short Report)/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Field 11/11/82 P.695/Referee 5/11/82 P.5-6:

SI:”The weather was far from favourable for football in the Sheffield district on Saturday,as,in addition to the grounds of most of the clubs being materially affected by the rain of the week,a stiff wind prevailed,making it impossible for the players to make accurate shots at goal,or to kick with their usual precision.Bramall lane,the scene of the above contest,was sticky,but the representatives of the old Sheffield combination and the Spilsby Club did not suffer so much in this respect as did some others in various parts of the district.Spilsby came with a great reputation,having won the trophy offered last season by the Lincolnshire Association,while the Wednesday men were thought by their supporters to be quite equal to the task of pulling off the match,which was one of the first round of ties of the English Association Cup.There was a moderate attendance of spectators.During

the first half of the period allotted for play the visitors had the benefit of the wind, but this, as details will show, did not avail them much. Gregory kicked off for Sheffield at three o'clock, and before the ball had long been in motion Mosforth on the top side distinguished himself. From the centre the ball was carried to the vicinity of the goal, and a shot had the effect of reducing the visitors' goal. The player was, however, offside. Keeping the leather well up in the enemy's quarters, Cawley was enabled to make a rattling shot, which hit the crossbar, and immediately afterwards out of a hot scrimmage in goal the ball was forced through, the score only being allowed, however, through the referee's decision (SDT: "and after ten minutes' play Malpas kicked the first goal for Wednesday."). A run on the top side by one of the Spilsby forwards lacked support, but the ball was carried into the visitors' territory, only again to be returned into the vicinity of the Wednesday goal, where a score was effected from the toe of (W.) Robinson (SDT: "a smart goal was kicked by B. Robinson"), who was hereabouts rendering excellent service. Commendable passing by Spilsby was unrewarded, save by the plaudits of the spectators, but on the other hand, the Sheffielders, from a low shot by Gregory, put on their second point. (SDT: "Mosforth and H. Newbould made a pretty concerted run, and the former crossing to Gregory, he scored the second goal for Wednesday.") The visitors again made a raid when Ledger threw out the leather, but returning to the charge, the Spilsbyites were not to be denied, the ball being forced between the sticks (SDT: "Following up the kick off Spilsby made for the Wednesday goal, and obtained a corner kick, from which resulted a goal, kicked by J. Barratt."). Excellent strategic play by Mosforth received the support it merited, but in attempting a long shot the ball was wide of the mark. Newbould shortly afterwards had a chance at goal, but fired wildly sending the sphere too high. Full work was found for the visitors' backs by numerous attempts on their stronghold, but they were for a time unsuccessful.

Capital combined play by Mosforth, Newbould and Anthony resulted in Anthony getting possession, and, with one of his old-style shots, he brought about the downfall of the enemies' citadel (SDT: "...from a dodgy run by Mosforth and Newbould, the latter shot for goal, when Anthony rushed in and put the ball through."). From the kick off the ball was again carried into the Spilsby domain, but the Sheffielders had not the entire honour of the excellent play which was now taking place, John Searby and Driffield at half-back, and Bellamy and Miller at back, discharging their arduous duties with great credit to themselves. After a while the scene of operations was changed, and the leather was forced into the Wednesday quarters, but just at the critical moment one of the visitors' forwards fouled the ball, giving the home team the chance of relieving their lines. Hudson and Marples hereabouts elicited applause for superior play, and after really excellent play Cawley effected a magnificent shot, which again reduced the colours of the visitors (SDT: "...Gregory and Mosforth made a smart run, and upon being tackled the ball was passed to the right to Cawley who shot it between the posts."). Mosforth distinguished himself by dodging play, evading the questionable attentions of one, at least, of his opponents in a style which quite non-plussed the visitor. Shortly afterwards the same player crossed to Cawley, but that excellent forward for once was not on the alert, and allowed the ball to be taken away. Again were the Spilsby men at a loss with Mosforth's strategic play, although again no result was recorded. The wind was about this time of great service to the visitors, and gave them the advantage, but they were unable to score, even when they obtained temporary possession. From a kick off, Gregory, who had been playing throughout with his accustomed coolness, secured possession, and getting past several opponents received judicious aid from Cawley, and the two outmanoeuvred the backs and goalkeeper, Gregory sending the ball between the sticks (SDT: "Gregory now further distinguished himself, by a grand dribble up the centre, finishing with an excellent goal."). (5-2) Half time was called shortly afterwards, the score then

being five goals to the home team's credit against two to Spilsby. With the wind in their favour it was thought that the Wednesdayites would have matters pretty much in their own hands, and this surmise was in a measure justified. Shortly after resuming hostilities, Anthony, while offside, passed to Newbould, who shot the ball through the goal, but the score was, of course, disallowed. In fairness to the visitors it should be said that the force of the wind had now greatly increased, and quite a gale prevailed. Notwithstanding this, through the aid of B. Robinson and Barratt a raid was made on the home goal. The threatened danger being averted, Mosforth got possession, and went along at a great pace. When near the goal he was dispossessed, but sticking gamely to his tacklers, he succeeded in getting the leather for another try, and the attempt, which was a brilliant one, was within an ace of success. Another scrimmage in the vicinity of the Spilsby goal resulted in the sixth score being made for the home team, Newbould being the main instrument. Robinson, Shaw, and Mawer were at this period striving in herculean fashion to get the leather at the other end of the run, but being badly aided by their fellows, their efforts were of little avail. Goal number seven quickly followed, Cawley giving the final kick, after a throw-in by Hudson. The latter player immediately distinguished himself by a capital backwards-way kick, and Mosforth, who was perfectly irresistible, again distinguished himself by grand play. It was now evident that the visitors had utterly played themselves out, as they lacked all the dash they had shown in the early stages of the game. The goalkeeper, Bellamy, and the backs were exceptions, however, the demands upon their services being continual, but well met. They were not, however, invincible, and Newbould, from a throw in by Cawley, forced the leather through the posts. +This also was a non-counter, however, on account of the offside rule. Gregory, a couple of minutes later succeeded in reducing the colours of the Lincolnshire men, and shortly afterwards Newbould put on the tenth score. Stratford was to the fore, and off an effort of his Gregory was enabled to head the ball through. The last-mentioned player put on another point, after good manoeuvring by Cawley and Mosforth, and ultimately the Sheffielders were returned the winners by twelve goals to two. The visitors were greatly overmatched, but had in their ranks players of undoubted ability. The Searbys, B. Robinson, and Bellamy were to the fore for their side; while for the Sheffielders, Malpas, Mosforth, Gregory, Cawley, and Newbould were always in the thick of the fight."

+N.B. It is not clear from the SI Report that there were 12 goals, as what would have given Newbould scored the 6<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> goals, but a 3<sup>rd</sup> goal was a "non-counter" (see above). SDT has only the 1<sup>st</sup> half scorers as noted above.

N.B. The SDT Report doesn't have the second half scorers.

FWR: "The Spilsby team, who last year won the Lincolnshire Association Cup, had this season scored thirty-seven goals to three, but on this occasion they were altogether overmatched, and Wednesday won by twelve goals to two."

Sheffield Wednesday: H. Ledger (Goal), H. Wilkinson, W. H. Stacey (Backs), J. Hudson, A. Malpas, C. L. Stratford (Half Backs), G. Anthony, T. E. Cawley (Right), R. Gregory (Capt.) (Centre), W. H. Mosforth, H. Newbould (Left).

Spilsby: H. Robinson (Goal), H. R. Bellamy, C. Miller (Backs), John Searby, R. Driffield (Half Backs), W. Shaw, B. Robinson (Right), + J. Barratt (Capt.), James Searby (Centres), + H. Preston, W. Mawer (Left).

+Check initials

Umpires:H.Ellis for Sheffield Wednesday and C.Preston for Spilsby.Referee:W.E.Clegg(Sheffield Association).

NOTTINGHAM FOREST walked over BRIGG BRITANNIA scratched(Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4)

SHEFFIELD HEELEY,a bye

#### SECOND DIVISION:

St George's,Birmingham v Calthorpe

Walsall Town v Staveley

Small Heath Alliance v Stafford Road

Aston Villa v Walsall Swifts

Spital v Wednesbury Old Athletic

Aston Unity,a bye

ST GEORGE'S BIRMINGHAM 4 (J.Mitton,W.Harrison 2,Another) CALTHORPE 1(Smith) (Sat Oct 28<sup>th</sup>) (H.T. 1-1)(At Birchfields,nr Birmingham)

Birmingham Daily Post 30/10/82 P.7/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 1/11/82 P.77/Bell's Life 4/11/82 P.12/Sportsman 30/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 31/10/82 P.4/Referee 29/10/83 P.6:

BDP/REF:"Played at Birchfield on Saturday,the Dragons winning by five goals to one,although playing rather weak-Green and Lang having left them,and +Stevenson being absent.The first goal was obtained within half a minute from the start.At half time the score was equal-one goal each.In the second half( four) more goals were added,the last one going through off the visitors' back.This was hard lines.The play was far more equal than the score showed,but the bad condition of the ground prevented good play." +Stephenson in REF

SL:"This match was played on Saturday afternoon at Birchfields,near Birmingham.Almost immediately after the start Mitton made a goal for St George's,and before half-time a second was made from a fine run.In the last half the St George's added three more goals,Harrison scoring a couple of them,whilst Smith scored the solitary goal,just before half-time,for Calthorpe."

SM:"This match was played on Saturday afternoon on the grounds of the St George's,Birchfields, near Birmingham.Almost immediately after the start,Mitton made a goal for St George's,and before half time,a second was made from a fine run.In the last half,the St George's,who had all the best of the play,added three more points,Harrison having two of them,but Smith,before the call of time, scored the first and only point for Calthorpe.The game resulted in a win for St George's by four goals to one."

St George's:H.Stansbie(Goal),S.Eagles(back);C.Jones(three quarter back),A.Baker,+A.Cheetham, B.Keen(Half Backs),W.Tonkinson,J.Milton(Right),D.Hodgetts(Centre),+T.Wood,W.Harrison(Left).

+check initials

+Denny Missing as 2<sup>nd</sup> centre in BDP/REF as would otherwise be 12 men as in other papers!

Calthorpe:E.Meeling(Goal),W.E.Elliott,W.F.Smith(Backs),A.E.Daniels,B.W.Stevens,T.M.Hawkins (Half Backs),W.Gibson,E.J.Bateman,A.E.Gibbs,H.Maxon,F.E.Cozens.(BDP/REF)

FWR/SL have Boot for W.Gibson

Umpires:A.W.Mason for Calthorpe and A.Henshaw for St George's.

Referee:W.Willis(Wednesbury Old Athletic)

WALSALL TOWN 4(C.Hill,J.Tonks,H.Harrison,S.Arblaster) STAVELEY 1 (C.Mather)(H.T. 3-1)(Sat Oct 21)  
(At the Chuckery,Walsall)

Walsall Observer 28/10/82 P.3/Birmingham Daily Post 23/10/82 P.7/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 25/10/82 P.55/Athletic News 25/10/82 P.3/Bell's Life 28/10/82 P.12(No teams)/Sportsman 23/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 24/10/82 P.4/Field 28/10/82 P.620:

WO:"DO REPORT

BDP:"Both clubs were well represented,and the match was contested with spirit,but,unfortunately, almost at the outset,Collington,one of the home team,got his collar bone broken,and during the remainder of the match his team played with only ten men.Notwithstanding this disadvantage, however,they succeeded in the first half in scoring three goals,Hill and Harrison kicking two of these, the other being got,apparently,by Tonks,in a scrimmage,while their opponents obtained only one, which was credited to Mather.In the second half the ball,during a considerable part of the time,was kept in dangerous proximity to the Staveley men's goal;but mainly by the watchfulness and good play of the goalkeeper,the efforts of the attacking party to pass it through were foiled,until a few minutes before time was called,when a fourth goal was scored for the home team by Arblaster,and the match ended in favour of the Walsall Town by four goals to one.The rough play of the visitors, especially their captain,was the subject of much adverse comment,and to this cause was attributed the injury to Collington."

SM:"A few minutes after the commencement of the game Hill obtained a goal for the Walsall Club,but shortly afterwards a disaster happened to the team,by Collington falling heavily and breaking his collar-bone.The play was very exciting for a long while,the Town,however,having the best of it.Tonks added a second goal to their score out of a scrimmage,and Harrison,after a brilliant run,put on a third.Just before half-time the Staveley men made their only goal.In the second half,though the visitors played up pluckily,they were generally kept on the defensive,and before the call of time the Walsall men added a fourth goal,the end of the game handing them victors by four goals to one."

Walsall Town:W.Keay(Goal),S.Reynolds(Back),E.J.Newman(three-quarter back),  
H.Taylor,J.Tonks,G.Collington(Half Backs),S.Arblaster,C.Hill(Right Wing),W.Dodsworth  
(Centre),W.Bird,H.Harrison(Left Wing).

(Walsall History has T.Reynolds and E.Collington)

Staveley:T.Hay(Goal);D.James,H.Peel(Backs);T.Kenyon,S.Hay(Half Backs);  
C.Mather,A.Booth(Right),H.P.Marples(Capt.),S.Goodwin(Centres),J.Hay,E.Widdowson(Left).

Umpires:Adams for Walsall Town and George Hay for Staveley.Referee:No name recorded



SMALL HEATH ALLIANCE 3 (+W.Slater 2,T.James) STAFFORD ROAD 3(Gowland 2,Foster)(H.T. 3-0)  
(At Small Heath) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)

+Scorers from BCR

Birmingham Daily Post 6/11/82 P.6/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life  
7/11/82 P.4:

BDP:"These clubs met in the first round of the National Cup ties on Saturday,on the ground of the former.The Alliance were without the services of their captain and crack right wing forward,who is still on the sick list;but with a stiff breeze in their favour they accrued three goals in the first half to their opponents' nil.In the second half,however,the Stafford men equalised matters by obtaining a similar number of goals.No further score was taken,and the match ended in a draw,three goals each"

SM:"These teams met at Small Heath on Saturday,in the presence of a larged number of spectators. The home forwards soon forged to the front,but Dorrance relieved his lines effectively.After some beautiful play by Green and Jones a scrimmage took place right in the mouth of the visitors' posts, and after a hard struggle the leather was forced through.From an excellent run by Slater,Green had little difficulty in scoring a second,and a minute later Jones followed with a third.After half time the Wolverhampton men played up with great vigour,and Gowland quickly lowered the Alliance flag. Directly afterwards the saame player scored again,and a long shot by Foster resulted in a third. When time was called each side had succeeded in obtaining three goals,and consequently the game was left drawn."

SL:"These teams met at Small Heath on Saturday,in the presence of a large number of spectators. When "Time!" was called,each side had succeeded in obtaining three goals,and the game was left drawn."

FWR 8/11/82 P.91:"Stafford Road objects to a player,and Small Heath claim the match because the visitors arrived too late to admit of the extra half-hour being "tacked on to" the game."

Small Heath:A.Vale(Goal);R.Elliman(Back);T.James,T.Morgan,F.James(Half Backs),  
W.Slater,E.Kingston(Right Wing),W.Green,A.E.Stanley(Centres),W.Jones,W.Hards(Capt.)(Left Wing).

Stafford Road:E.Ray;(Goal),G.Sellman,C.Dorrance(Backs);Turton,Stamford,Nicholls(Half Backs);  
Baker,Gowland(Capt.)(Right),Deakin(Centre),Richards,Foster(Left).

Umpires:W.Grant and T.Eddon.Referee:J.C.Orr(Hon Treasurer Birmingham and D.F.A.).

REPLAY:Sat Nov 18<sup>th</sup>:

STAFFORD ROAD 6(No scorers traced) SMALL HEATH ALLIANCE 2(+A.E.Stanley,W.Hards)(H.T.3-2) (At Wolverhampton)

+Scorers from BCR

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 22/11/82 P.119/Bell's Life 25/11/82 P.3/Sportsman 20/11/82  
P.4/Sporting Life 20/11/82 P.4:

N.B. No full report or teams in BDP/BM/SDT/SI/NEP/FWR/SM/SL

#### FIND WOLVERHAMPTON PAPER

Referee 19/11/82 P.6:"This match was played on the ground of the former this afternoon.The same teams contended for this cup a fortnight ago at Small Heath,when a draw was the result,each side scoring three goals.This time Stafford Road decisively proved their superiority by winning a splendid match by six goals to two.In the first half both sides showed fine form,Stafford Road scoring three goals and Small Heath two.In the second,however,while the Alliance failed to improve matters, Stafford Road added three more goals.The Alliance played a plucky game,but were evidently overmatched,as the Stafford Road were the better at all points of the game.They have now to meet Walsall Town in the next round."(No teams)

Birmingham Mail 20/11/82 P.2:"On the 4<sup>th</sup> inst. these teams met at Small Heath to decide this tie,when each side scored three goalsAccordingly they met,again,this time at Wolverhampton,when the home team scored a decisive victory by 6 goals to 2.the Small Heath captain(A.James) is still very ill."(No teams)

SM:"These teams met at Wolverhampton on Saturday to decide their tie in the first round,their last game having ended in a draw-three goals each.The Wolverhampton men played up with great vigour,and eventually won by six goals to two.The winners meet Walsall Town in the second round."

Stafford Road:E.Ray(Goal);G.Sellman,C.Dorrance(Backs);Richards,Turton,Nicholls(Half Backs); Baker,Gowland(Capt.)(Rights),Stamford(Centre),Foster,Deakin(Lefts).  
(FWR)

Small Heath;A.Vale(Goal);J.Taylor,T.Morgan(Backs),W.Rotherham,E.Bailey,T.James(Half Backs); W.Green,W.Slater(Right),A.E.Stanley(Centre),W.Hards,W.Jones(Left).(FWR)(BL different order)

ASTON VILLA 4(A.Brown 2,O.H.Vaughton,Archie Hunter) WALSALL SWIFTS 1(T.Farmer)(H.T.3-0) (Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup>)(At Perry Barr)

Birmingham Daily Post 23/10/82 P.7/Walsall Observer 28/10/82 P.3/Athletic News 25/10/82 P.3(Long Report)/Nottingham Evening Post 23/10/82 P.4(No report)/Football A Weekly Record 25/10/82 P.54/Bell's Life 28/10/82 P.12/ Field 28/10/82 P.620/Sportsman 23/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 24/10/82 P.4/Referee 22/10/82 P.6/London Daily News 23/10/82 P.3:

BDP/WO:"These local cracks,having been drawn together in the first round of the National Challenge Cup,met at Perry Barr,on Saturday,to play off their tie.The Swifts won the toss,and chose to play with the slight gradient in their favour.Archie Hunter started the game for the Villa,the Swifts made a determined rush on their opponents' lines,and for a few minutes the Villa back division had their work cut out to keep them at bay,Clarke saving his goal capitally from a shot by Higgins.Vaughton relieved the pressure with a pretty run,and a corner kick was gained by Andie Hunter,who placed the ball neatly in front of goal.Yates headed it away,but Brown got possession,and with a sharp return, lowered Hobson's colours,just seven minutes from the start.Two more unproductive corners fell to the Villa,and then Lunn and Higgins were conspicuous with several good runs,which the tackling of Bryan,and the strong kicking of Simmonds,rendered futile.Brown and Archie Hunter then put on a passing run,and the latter crossing to Vaughton he scored goal No 2 for the Villa.The game

continued rather in favour of the home team, though Farmer, Lunn, Higgins, and Davis well backed up by Yates, made strenuous efforts to score; and +Hayes/Heys playing the ball, when offside on one occasion, lost them a score, for Clarke in attempting to fist away the ball, struck it through his own goal. A corner was shortly afterwards gained by Archie off Hobson, and was placed by his brother; and, after most exciting play in front of goal, the Villa captain made his first mark upon the register this season. At half time the game stood 3 to 0 against the Swifts. +Hayes/Heys restarted, and Farmer at once ran the ball up the centre, and passing to Lunn, that player put in a strong side shot that broke down Clarke's defence for the first time. He had to use his hands twice in quick succession from Farmer immediately after, and then the Villa laid siege to the Swifts' fortress, Eli Davis eventually screwing the ball all across the goal, and rebounding off Brown's foot between the posts (SM: "A few minutes before time E. Davis took the ball from the Villa goal to the other end of the field, and finished with a fine centre. The ball was just passing out on the right wing when Brown got up and tipped the ball through the goal, making the fourth and last goal for the Villa."). No further score was added, and the match resulted in a win for the Villa by 4 to 1."

+Hayes in BDP and Heys in WO

REF: "These teams met at Perry Barr to-day, both teams being strongly represented. The Swifts won the toss, and elected to play down hill for the first half, Archie Hunter starting the ball for the home team, the visitors being prominent from the start, Higgins after a good run sending a shot at goal, which was cleverly stopped by Clarke. Howard Vaughton now executed a clever dodging run. The Villa forwards showed some good combined play, and gained a corner, Andy taking it, and placing the ball well in front of the goal. Brown got hold of it and sent it through, scoring goal number one for the home team. The play was for some time fairly even, the forwards on both sides playing up in good style, Davies being conspicuous for some grand runs. A little later on Brown and Archie Hunter made a good run from mid-field, and the ball being passed to Vaughton, the latter got past Hobson's defence. The visitors were now for some time pressed, Yates and Aldridge, however, showing grand form for the Swifts' back division. Not long before half-time the Villa gained a corner, and Andy Hunter placing it judiciously, enabled Archie to score number three for the Villa, the game at half-time being three to none in favour of the home team. The Swifts after the kick-off gained their first and only goal, and the "Villans", through the agency of Brown, succeeded before the call of time in increasing the score by another goal, the game ending in favour of the home team by four goals to one. The visitors, although they played a good game, were outclassed, their forwards lacking the combination and skilful passing of the Villa men. Their captain, Yates, played a splendid game in the back division, and was ably assisted by Aldridge and Sheldon. Hobson, it is needless to say, played well in goal. The Villa, ably led by Archie Hunter, showed in their very best form, their forwards playing splendidly together, Davies being repeatedly cheered for his runs. Joe Simmonds was able to take his place at back, and played in a plucky and clever style."

Aston Villa: W. Clarke (Goal), J. Simmonds (Back), T. Bryan, D. R. Anderson, A. Harvey (Half Backs), Andy Hunter, O. H. Vaughton (Right Wing), Archie Hunter (Capt.), A. Brown (Centres), E. (Eli) C. Davis, W. Roberts (Left Wing).

Walsall Swifts: C. H. Hobson (Goal), A. Aldridge (Back); T. Sheldon (Three-Quarter Back); J. Baker, W. Yates (Capt.), E. Dyoss (Half Backs), T. Farmer, R. Davis (Right Wing), +J. Hayes/Heys (Centre), J. Higgins, D. Lunn (Left Wing). +G. Heys?

Umpires:W.B.Mason for Aston Villa and W.Stokes for Walsall Swifts.  
Referee:C.Crump(President B.D.F.A).

SPITAL(CHESTERFIELD) 1 (T.Bishop) WEDNESBURY OLD ATHLETIC 7 (R.Morley 3,A.Woodcock 2,A.Groucutt,G.H.Holden) (H.T. 1-1)(At Spital)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)

Sheffield Daily Telegraph 6/11/82 P.4/Sheffield Independent 6/11/82 P.4/Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Field 11/11/82 P.695:

SI:"This match was played at Spital on Saturday,and resulted in a victory for the Wednesbury Old Athletic Club by seven goals to one.The ground was in fair condition,but the attendance was only moderate.The toss was won by the home team,and they elected to kick with the wind.The selection did not prove a wise one,as the wind gradually became stronger,and by the time the positions were reversed,the Spital men had to work against what might almost be described as a gale.The play for the first ten minutes or so was very fast,and also of a very even character,both parties doing their work splendidly.The home team got the ball into close proximity to the visitors' goal several times, but generally managed to send it over,or beside the posts,and not between them.Bishop distinguished himself on more than one occasion in baffling the enemy.He succeeded several times in taking away the ball in very trying circumstances,for which he was loudly cheered by the spectators. Some of the visitors,especially their captain,showed greater speed than the members of the home party.The enemy,notwithstanding the unfavourable wind,were the first to score after about a quarter of an hour after the commencement of the match.Cropper and Bishop between them promptly equalised matters(SDT:"After a short and sharp struggle Cropper passed the ball to Bishop,who sent it deftly through the posts,and secured a goal. ").When half time was called each side had scored one goal;but it was thought that the Spital men,having to work against the wind,which was very high,stood little chance of successfully combating with the visitors after the exchange of places.The ball was continually brought into the neighbourhood of the Spital goal and the keeper(G.Hopkinson),who did his part in magnificent style,had several times to use his hands.Not many minutes had elapsed when Morley sent the ball between the Spital posts.After this the fighting was almost entirely confined to the vicinity of the home goal.Revill and Osborne were at one time as near scoring a goal,as they well nigh could be,the ball being made to pass within an inch or two of the posts.A little later on Osborne again brought the ball very close to the Wednesbury goal,but an ill-directed kick sent it over the cross-bar.Within a quarter of an hour or so of the end,the visitors became aggressive.They displayed some excellent manoeuvres,and within a period of five minutes shot the ball twice through the Spital goal.Before the finish they scored three more goals, making a total of seven.Of this number Morley kicked three,Woodcock two,and G.H.Holden and Groucutt one goal each.The one goal with which the home team was credited was due to Bishop."

AN:"There was a good attendance of spectators,and Spital,who introduced a new Scotch player in the person of I.M'Kay,played during the first portion of the game with a strong wind in their favour.

Spital:G.Hopkinson(Capt.)(Goal),A.Revill,T.Wake(Backs),G.Osborne,W.Wilkinson(Half Backs), Isaac Mackay,W.Cropper(Right Wing),J.Walker,J.Marsh(Centres),J.Beresford,T.Bishop(Left Wing).

Wednesbury Old Athletic:( J.)C.Kent(Goal),W.Moon,J.Nicholls(Backs),J.H.Holden,T.Hodgkiss(Half Backs),A.Groucutt,Geo.H.Holden(Capt.)(Right Wing),A.Woodcock,R.Morley(Centres),J.Cliffe, J.Roberts(Left Wing).

Umpires:T.Riggott for Spital and W.Willis for Wednesbury Old Athletic.Referee:Haigh(Sheffield).

ASTON UNITY,a bye

### THIRD DIVISION:

Blackburn Rovers v Blackpool

Darwen Ramblers v South Shore,Blackpool

Blackburn Olympic v Accrington

Blackburn Park Road v Darwen

Church v Clitheroe

Irwell Springs v Lower Darwen

Haslingden,a bye

BLACKBURN ROVERS 11(F.Suter,A.Barton 3,J.Duckworth 2,J.Brown 4,G.Avery)

BLACKPOOL 1(J.Whitehead)(H.T. 5-1)(Mon Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>)(At Leamington Ground,Blackburn)

Blackburn Standard 28/10/82 P.3/Blackburn Times 28/10/82 P.7/Athletic News 25/10/82 P.3/  
Preston Herald 25/10/82 P.2/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 25/10/82 P.55/Bell's Life  
28/10/82 P.12/Field 28/10/82 P.620/Sportsman 24/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 24/10/82 P.4:

BS:"The Rovers having been drawn with this young and rising team in the first round of the English Association Cup competition,the clubs met on the Leamington Ground on Monday afternoon,and in the presence of about 1,000 spectators,played a very good match with them.Blackpool,although defeated by so many goals(11 to one),played very pluckily,and were greatly encouraged by the spectators.The Rovers won the toss,and Parr kicked off against a stiff breeze about half past three o'clock.The Rovers made the first advance,and Barton centring the ball,a goal was almost headed. Blackpool then replied with a similar charge,and the Rovers' citadel had a narrow shave.A few minutes later the blues received a throw in.Sharples threw the leather over to the right wing,when it was passed to Suter,and he,being amongst the forwards,shot and obtained the first goal.After 15 minutes' play the Rovers received a corner kick which Douglas centred.The ball dropped down the left corner of the goal,and Barton headed it through.Very soon after this Blackpool began to pass it in a most perfect manner,and invaded the Rovers' territory.Whilst there they secured a free kick, which Birkins made.Passing the ball nicely to Whitehead,that individual shot it quickly between the posts,and was loudly applauded.This was the only point the visitors were allowed to obtain,but their shooting might have been improved.The Rovers,as is their wont,when opposing an inferior team, played fast when necessary,and tamely when the other team lagged a little.At the end of half an hour Brown made a brilliant run the length of the field and shot,but the ball missed its mark. Duckworth kept it in,and whilst Strachan kept the goalkeeper off,he sent it through.Five minutes after this the fourth goal followed,Brown making it by a peculiar left foot screw kick.Shortly before half time the Rovers received a throw-in and F.Hargreaves swung the leather in the mouth of the goal.It seemed to drop amongst several players,but Brown somehow lifted it up and it dropped between the sticks.With four goals to the bad Blackpool exchanged positions,but with the wind in their favour,their position was but slightly improved.The Rovers from the commencement took possession of their opponents' territory,and it was only occasionally that they were driven out.

Three minutes after the kick off a sixth goal was obtained through the instrumentality of Barton, who kicked it against an opponent, and it bounded through. Blackpool from the kick off ran the ball down the field, and Whittaker and Parr each made a shot, but both were unsuccessful. After this they again fell back, and the blues faced their citadel. The goalkeeper for a few minutes parried all the thrusts, but at the expiration a very quick shot by Avery puzzled him, and he was obliged to let it pass him. Immediately from the kick off the Rovers made a rush, and Barton by a beautiful fast screw kick, registered the eighth. The ninth goal was scored by Duckworth after 33 minutes' play, and the tenth by Brown two minutes afterwards. Running up for the eleventh goal, nearly all the forwards tried for it, but all failed until time had almost expired, when Brown put in one of his low shooters, and it took effect through the centre of the goal. Nothing further was done, and Blackpool sustained a defeat of eleven goals to one, for which they fought admirably."

Blackburn Rovers: A. Woolfall (Goal), R. Howorth, F. Suter (Backs), F. W. Hargreaves, + H. Sharples (Half Backs), J. Douglas, J. Duckworth (Right Wing), J. Brown, T. Strachan (Centres), A. Barton, G. Avery (Left Wing).

+ Harry Sharples: left England for New Zealand in November (AN 1/11/82 P.1)

Blackpool: J. Langley (Goal); T. Salthouse, J. Nixon (Backs); L. Bailey, F. Berkins, J. Mathie (Half Backs); S. Whittaker, H. Moss (Right Wing), T. Parr (Centre), J. Whiteside, + G. Whittaker (Capt.) (Left Wing).

+ Listed as J. W. Whittaker

Umpires: W. Duckworth (Blackburn Rovers) and S. Whiteside (Blackpool).

Referee: S. Ormerod (Accrington).

DARWEN RAMBLERS 5 (G. Preston, J. Greenhalgh, J. Norris, S. Smith 2)

SOUTH SHORE (BLACKPOOL) 2 (R. Bagot, R. Elston) (H.T. 2-1) (Sat Oct 14<sup>th</sup>) (At Anchor Meadows, Darwen)

Blackburn Times 21/10/82 P.7/Blackburn Standard 21/10/82 P.2/Athletic News 18/10/82 P.3 (Short Report)/Football a Weekly Record of the Game 18/10/82 P.44/Sportsman 16/10/82 P.4:

BS: "These teams met at Darwen on Saturday to play off their tie in the above competition. A numerous gathering of spectators assembled on the Anchor Meadows, where the match was played, and as the weather was delightful, the onlookers were treated to a pretty good display of football. If the Ramblers would only make one or two alterations in their team, they should quickly attain a good position among association teams, as they play a nice game, and one or two of the players can dribble as well as many who play in first class teams. Blackpool are also a likely-looking lot, and with practice should beat a few teams this season. The home captain won the toss, and a start was made by the visitors at 3.40 against the wind. Both teams commenced to play very fast. Lomax and Greenhalgh had all their work cut out to prevent the visitors from getting near their goal, but the headers of Lomax and the long kicking of Greenhalgh effectually sent the ball in front of the South Shore citadel. Here Fleming had a beautiful chance of scoring, but he missed his aim. Again he failed to convert a good opportunity into a goal, after which Blackpool displayed a rare amount of dash, and from the foot of Bagot they scored the first goal. Not at all dismayed by this reverse, the Ramblers, through the very fine efforts of Fowler on the right and Norris on the left, caused matters to look very ominous for the visitors, and Preston, with a good header, made the game even. Shortly afterwards Greenhalgh from the midfield sent the ball in, and it just dropped beneath the crossbar.

With two goals to one in their favour the Ramblers began to defend the other goal. Their efforts were quickly put to the test, for Blackpool hove in front, and Elston neatly evaded the home keeper. The visitors for some time longer pressed the Ramblers, but eventually the visitors fagged themselves out, while the Darwenians, if anything, increased their vigour, so that towards the finish of the game they began completely to bewilder the Blackpool backs who three times, in pretty quick succession, were driven between their posts, Norris and Smith (two) being the executants, and at the call of time the victory rested with the Ramblers by five goals to two."

Darwen Ramblers: J.T. Fenton (Goal); + J. Greenhalgh, J.T. Turner (Backs); J. Lomax, J. Smith (Half backs); T. Fleming, N. Fowler (Right Wing), G. Preston, S. Smith (Centres), J. Norris, E. Butterworth (Left Wing).

+ J. Blackledge in BT Report and lineup G. Butterworth and E. Butterworth alternate initials appear

South Shore: J. Wood (Goal); J. Johnson, F. Moore (Backs); R. Walsh, E. Deakin, W. Hodgson (Half Backs); L. Hall, H. Ainsworth (Right Wing), R. Elston, R. Bagot, R. Leach (Forwards).

(Hodgkinson?)

Umpires: J. Thornber (/Thornley (South Shore) and J. H. Eccles (Ramblers). Referee: E. Walmsley.

BLACKBURN OLYMPIC 6 ( W.T. Wensley, J. Wilson 3, J. Yates 2\*)

ACCRINGTON 3 (J. Brown, J. H. Yates, W. Bamber) (H.T. 4-3) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)

(At Hole-l'th-Wall Grounds, Blackburn)

\*Not clear which forward scored 5<sup>th</sup> goal:

Blackburn Standard 11/11/82 P.3/Blackburn Times 11/11/82 P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.87/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11/Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4:

BS: "Punctually at three o'clock Wilson set the ball in motion, and for a few minutes all was calmness, whilst the rivals in the enclosure wrestled steadfastly for the leather. After three minutes' play Accrington doubled upon the light blues, but it was a fatal moment, for, like a whirlwind the Olympic rushed round them, and completely hemmed them in the goal. Wilson ran down the centre of the field, and was about to shoot when he was tackled, but Wensley, rushing at the ball, sent it flying between the uprights, five minutes from the start. Immediately from the kick off Accrington ran the ball up the field, and a most lively scene ensued in front of the Olympic goal. The backs were kicking finely, when one of them accidentally sent it behind one of the posts. The Reds received a corner kick, which Wilkinsion delivered, and Matthews met the sphere. Having a clear course, he sped away with it, and on entering the Accrington territory, he planted it nicely in front of the posts. Like a hawk, Wilson pounced upon it and quickly dashed it between the posts. Two goals being scored in the course of nine minutes caused the Olympic supporters to rejoice greatly. Still Accrington were in no wise disheartened, and as the game progressed they were greatly encouraged. The Reds again successfully invaded the Olympic territory, and after an excellent screw from the right wing, the centre and right wing players appeared to have a beautiful opening, but they missed the ball and it was eventually kicked out. After the goal kick the Olympic were the aggressive party and a fine shot was made from the right wing, but Chew saved his charge. Accrington rapidly reversed matters, and the Olympic goal was besieged. A shot by Yates on the left was going steadily in its mark, when

Hunter interposed and drove the leather in mid-field. The Accrington half backs returned it, and another good, but unsuccessful screw was made from the right wing. Having once obtained a good position, however, the Reds were not likely to surrender it without a struggle and a determined fight commenced. Yates for the Olympic at last secured the ball, and made a long shot towards the centre of the field. Swift as a deer, Wilson followed it and dribbled it down the field. When about to shoot Wilkinson put on an extra spurt, and managing to get in front of Wilson, he willfully kicked it behind the posts. Hunter made the corner kick and the Accrington players ran up the field, but Yates quickly returned with the ball and crossed to Matthews, who passed to Hunter. That player sent the ball rolling down the field, and Bryce missing his kick, Wilson darted past him, and sent the ball through amid great cheering and waving of hats. Fast and exciting runs were made on both sides after this, but 24 minutes from the kick off, Yates of the Olympic rescued the ball when the Reds were attacking the home fortress and sped away down the field. Safely reaching the left corner he centred the ball, when Wilson drove it for the fourth time between the posts. After this Accrington began to put forth their utmost exertions and for a time fairly disorganised their opponents. A very heavy shower of rain commenced to descend, and four minutes from the scoring of the last goal Brown, for the Accringtonians registered the first goal, after a splendid dribble by Bryce. Thirty-seven minutes after the kick off the Olympic made another grand charge. Wilson shot but Whittaker saved the goal, when Dewhurst shot and Chew had great difficulty in fending off the sphere. The Reds seized the ball and ran it along the left wing and centre, when Yates made a shot, which took effect over Hacking's head. Hunter kicked off and passed to Wilson, who ran down the field, and Wensley had a splendid opening, but he overran the ball. Accrington returned the charge, and after a very short attack Bamber planted the ball neatly between the uprights. Half time was shortly afterwards called and ends were changed with the Olympic one goal in the majority. For about a quarter of an hour after change of ends Accrington severely pressed the Olympic players. The first run was made by McGill, who on entering the Olympic ground, was passing to Eastham, but the ball fell short, and both players rushed at it. They ran it on the very goal line, and both players were about to kick, when Hacking sent his foot between them and clearly extricated the ball. Afterwards the ball was returned on the right, and Eastham made a splendid shot, but Hacking fisted the ball back. Hargreaves next tried, but he also failed, owing to the splendid facility with which the goalkeeper defended his charge. At the end of about 15 minutes the home team began to show their proper mettle. Rushing up the field in a manner impossible to resist Yates screwed the ball in the centre, when one of the other forwards met it and put it nicely between the posts, thus raising ringing cheers, which were almost deafening. Having once more lowered the Accrington colours, their rushes were quite irresistible. The visitors' goal was one continual scene of attack, and had there been a less expert custodian of the Accrington goal their defeat must have been great. Such an attack, however, could not fail to bring about some tangible result, and on receiving the ball from Dewhurst, Yates ultimately discovered an unprotected point and dashed in with the ball. This was the last point and time was called with the Olympic six goals and Accrington three."

Blackburn Olympic: T. Hacking (Goal); S. A. Warburton (Capt.), J. T. Ward (Backs); J. Hunter, T. Gibson, W. Astley (Half Backs); T. Dewhurst, A. Matthews (Right Wing), George Wilson (Centre), J. Yates, W. T. Wensley (Left Wing). (BS/BT specified order)

N.B George Wilson was brought in from Sheffield and played the previous week in the Lancashire Cup Tie 11-0 win against Padiham, but as his registration was too late to comply with the Lancashire



Cup rules,Olympic were disqualified from that competition(see Blackburn Standards 4/11/82 and 11/11/82)

Accrington:W.Chew(Goal);W.J.Whittaker,J.Hindle(Backs);J.Hargreaves,R.Bryce(Capt.)(Half Backs); J.Wilkinson,J.Brown(Right Wing),J.McGill,W.Eastham(Centres),J.H.Yates,W.Bamber(Left Wing).

#### CHECK ACCRINGTON PAPER NAMES PLUS SCORERS

(BT has H.Bamber)

Umpires:L.Monk for Blackburn Olympic and T.Heald for Accrington. Referee:T.R.Sutton(Manchester)

DARWEN 4(H.Richmond,T.Marshall,H.Ashton,T.Rostron) BLACKBURN PARK-ROAD 1 (J.Cunliffe)  
(H.T. 0-1)(Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup>)(At Barley Bank Meadows Ground,Darwen by agreement:see report)

Blackburn Times 28/10/82 P.7/Blackburn Standard 28/10/82 P.3/Bolton Evening News 23/10/82  
P.4/Athletic News 25/10/82 P.3/Football A Weekly Record 25/10/82 P.55/Bell's Life 28/10/82  
P.12/Field 28/10/82 P.620/ Sportsman 23/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 24/10/82 P.4:

BT:".....in the presence of about 1,500 spectators.Both the teams were minus a centre forward, Darwen being without McGuire,and Hartley was away from Park road." "The play continued to be very even,and no score was made until two minutes from half time when Darwen had a free kick for a foul charge close to their own goal.The ball was kicked well into the centre but one of the 'Roadsters' met and returned it,and a scrimmage occurred in the Darwen goal,and Cunliffe was successful in securing the first goal for Park road.A few minutes after change of ends Darwen ran up, and Marshall sent in a shot,but Park-road claimed offside.Wilson,however,caught the ball,and being charged he threw it away,and Rostron getting his toe to the leather,he sent it through the posts,but the score was disallowed on the ground of offside.A few minutes later the ball was passed to H.Richmond in midfield,and he ran it up his wing and through the goal.Ten minutes later Marshall shot the ball into Wilson's hands,and the latter player was charged as he was throwing the ball away,and in consequence it went into the air,but as it fell he fisted it away.The Darwenians alledged that he was through the goal when he struck the leather back,and the referee allowed the goal.Ten minutes later,and the ball was kicked into the goalkeeper's hands,and Ashton ran up as Wilson was preparing to throw the ball away,and he caught Wilson's hands with his chest,and knocked the leather through the posts for a third time.Five minutes later Richmond got possession of the leather, and he passed it to Rostron,and the latter player scored a fourth goal.No further score was made and the match thus ended in a victory for Darwen by four goals to one."

BS : "For this tie the Blackburn Park Road had the choice of grounds,but at the suggestion of the Darwen committee they decided to play the match on the Barley Bank Ground.They were almost obliged to do this,because of the too limited area of their own field.""Park Road won the toss for the choice of ends,and they decided to have the benefit of the wind.Ashton put motion to the leather at a few minutes after three o'clock.""..... a splendid piece of passing transpired by the visitors' forwards.They completely non-plussed the Darwen backs,and amid slight cheers the Blackburn team registered the first goal.A very severe tussle ensued during the remaining portion of the first half,but although Park-road possessed several good chances,ends were changed with the game standing at one goal to nil in favour of the visitors.With the wind now in their favour Darwen began to make the pace.Their opponents must have been putting in all they knew in the first half,for now they began to

display symptoms of fatigue, the which was not at all noticeable in the Darwen ranks. This caused matters to look all in favour of the home team, whose chances of victory at one time were not of the rosiest. Ashton, Richmond, Marshall, Rostron, and Mellor all worked with a unity which fairly put to rout the schemes of the Park-road who, with one goal in hand seemed to adopt a plan of defending their goal at the cost of their forward department. Richmond at last broke through all the obstacles, and after a good dribble he landed the first goal for Darwen. After this the home forwards could not be held in check. Shots were made by Ashton, Marshall, Rostron, and Mellor, and in fact all the forwards had occasional tries at the Park-road fortress, the which before time was called was captured three more times, and then the game ended."

AN: "Darwen had only a very moderate team owing to the recent accidents, while Park-road have lately secured Cunliffe, of the Blackburn Olympic." "A corner kick soon fell to either side, and after a lot of give and take play, both goals being endangered, the Park-roadmen drew first blood shortly before half-time, this being the only score in the first half. The Darwen men, who up to this point had evidently been holding their opponents too cheap, now changed the formation of the team (\*probably by bringing J. Whiteside into the forward line: see below), and, going at it in a business-like manner, never left the issue in doubt. With the score in their favour the visitors played strongly on the defensive, Crane, Walmsley, and Proctor showing splendid form, the latter player doing good service for his side times innumerable, with fine kicking at a very critical period. This did not deter the Darwen forwards, however, from scoring, Richmond, with a fine run on the left stalling off every attempt to stop him, and landing a grandly earned point amidst deafening cheers. Working finely together the home team kept the ball in the vicinity of the Park-road goal for a long time, throws and corner kicks coming close together. A free kick for hands ended in a second goal being scored, the goalkeeper, from a scrummage, trying in vain to get the ball out before it went under the bar from one of the heads of the closely-massed players. This was soon after followed by a third, Bury at half back, robbing Cunliffe and Jefferson of the ball, and sending it in front of the visitors' uprights, when Marshall headed the ball into the custodian's hands, the latter being carried under a second later by Ashton." "A good centre by Richmond in front of goal was splendidly converted into another score by Rostron with a very fast low shot."

Darwen: J. Richmond (Goal), R. Entwistle, \*J. Whiteside (Backs), J. Holden, S. Fish, W. Bury (Half Backs); T. Marshall, T. Rostron (Right Wing), H. Ashton (Centre), B. Mellor, H. Richmond (Left Wing).

AN has \*J. Whiteside as forward

Blackburn Park Road: W. Wilson (Goal); J. Proctor, J. Walmsley (Backs); R. Crane, J. Longworth (Half Backs); A. Mackereth, J. Nuttall (Right Wing), J. Cunliffe, J. Holden (Centres), H. Tootill, T. Jefferson (Left Wing).

(AN/BEN/SL/BT have G. Longworth)

Umpires: E. Taylor and J. Richmond (Park road). Referee: S. Ormerod (Accrington).

CHURCH 5 (H. Illingworth 2, A. Smith 3) CLITHEROE 0 (H.T. 3-0) (Sat Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>)

Athletic News 27/9/82 P.2/(No detailed report or teams in Blackburn or London papers):

AN: "This match was played at Church on Saturday last, in pleasant but dull weather, and in the presence of about 1,000 spectators. The ground has been redrained and otherwise improved, and, no

doubt, will be much drier than most fields in the worst of weather. Horrocks and Lonsdale, who were both expected on the home side, were absent, the former playing cricket, and the latter not being strong enough to justify him for playing. Smith, for Church, kicked off with the incline against him at 3-20. After pressing the visitors severely Gregson made a good shot which hit the post, and rebounding, Illingworth kicked the first goal amid cheers, ten minutes from the start. Shot after shot was made at the visitors' goal, but were very wild. A bit of good passing was now shown by the home forwards which ended with Smith making up the couple. Before half time Wood placed the ball nicely to Kay on the right, and the latter centring Smith kicked the third goal. After a stoppage of seven minutes the visitors pressed a little, but to no purpose. Ten minutes from change of ends Illingworth placed a fourth goal to the home team, after good play by Gregson and Greenwood. Clitheroe very seldom got the ball as far as the home half backs, Church pressing all the time, but the forwards played miserably in front of goal, and could only register another point before the call of time, Smith doing the needful by a good low shot."

Church: J. Taylor (Goal), G. A. Kenyon, J. Woods (Backs); P. Chippendale (Capt.), W. Woods (Half Backs); J. H. Gregson, J. Greenwood, H. Illingworth, A. Smith, T. Kay, S. Barnes (Forwards).

Clitheroe: G. Dewhurst (Goal); H. Holden, A. Briggs (Backs); J. Kendal, J. Keenan (Half Backs); T. Lawson, J. Middlesbrough, R. D. Dugdale, J. R. Sutcliffe, Bell, Westwell (Forwards).

N.B. Some initials for both teams, and name corrections made as per teams in Athletic News 1/11/82 P.3

Umpires: R. Bury and S. Hargreaves. Referee: W. T. Sumner (Enfield).

IRWELL SPRINGS (BACKUP) 2 (C. Banham, Pickles) LOWER DARWEN 5 (R. T. Duckworth 4, Brindle) (H.T. 1-2) (Sat Oct 28<sup>th</sup>) (At Bacup: Irwell Springs Ground)

Blackburn Standard 4/11/82 P.3/Athletic News 1/11/82 P.3/Blackburn Times 4/11/82 P.6:

BS: "The visitors secured their old back player Cunliffe Duckworth, of the Preston North End team, and he fully justified his selection by his good play. A very strong wind was blowing, but, though they won the toss, the Lower Darwen team decided to play against it in the first half. Accordingly the home centre put motion to the ball at 3.30. Aided by the powerful element they at once assumed an aggressive attitude. Haworth, the two Greenwoods and Banham quickly dashed in front and ere a minute had elapsed Banham secured the first goal for the home team amid great cheering."

"...towards the latter part of the first half the home team received a task of hard shots. Brindle coming away from the rest of the forwards aimed finely at goal, and the home custodian was beaten for the first time. It now only wanted a few minutes of half time and the Springs forwards made great efforts to secure another leading point, but Aspinall and Rawlinson played well at half back, and through the combined play of the forwards, chief of whom was T. Duckworth, the home goal again became severely pressed. Whittaker, Taylor, and Hunt defended well, but before the signal for half time was given T. Duckworth placed Lower Darwen ahead by two goals to one. With the game in this state ends were changed. And now Lower Darwen had the wind to their back. The Springs forwards, however, played a most determined game, their runs were both good and speedy, and they were the first to merit particular notice. Their good play was the means of temporarily disorganising the visitors' backs, who through their misunderstanding, allowed Pickles to shoot in and obtain a second

point for the home team. With the game once more even the ball was re-started in the middle, but from this point the Irwell Springs had not a look in; it is true they played hard, but no real danger menaced the Darwen colours. On the other hand the last named set to with a will. Brindle and Dawson effected some fine runs on the left, as did the Duckworths on the right, while Marsden rendered valuable assistance in the centre. Raids in rapid succession were made on the home fortress, shots were sent in from all directions, with the result that at the call of time victory rested with Lower Darwen by five goals to two. R.T. Duckworth played a rattling forward game, and Tomlinson, when he was so hardly pressed in the first half, kept goal splendidly."

AN/BT: "Bacup started the ball at 3.30, and Banham scored the first goal after one minute's play. Bacup had all the best of the game in the first half with slight exceptions, but Tomlinson kept the visitors' goal in grand style, and he saved it in all moments of danger. Brindle made the score even shortly before half time, and Duckworth added another. After change of ends Lower Darwen pressed their opponents severely. Pickles, however, broke away, and again placed the Springs on an equal footing with the visitors. Lower Darwen now set to work, and secured three goals before the call of "Time", R. Duckworth always putting the finishing touch to the ball."

Irwell Springs: Whittaker (Goal), Taylor, Hunt (Backs); Mitchell, D. Banham (Half Backs), Haworth, Joe Greenwood, C. Banham, Farrow, Pickles, Jesse Greenwood (Forwards).

Lower Darwen: S. Tomlinson (Goal), C. Duckworth, W. Ireland (Backs), W. Aspinall, T. Rawlinson, +E. Hargreaves (Half Backs), T. Duckworth, R.T. Duckworth (Right Wing), L. Marsden (Centre), G. Brindle, Dawson (Left Wing).

(6 initials added from other games) (+Check not R. Hargreaves)

Umpires: T. Smith and G. Lord. Referee: J. Bowness (Rossendale).

HASLINGDEN, a bye

FOURTH DIVISION:

Northwich Victoria v Astley Bridge

Southport v Liverpool Ramblers

Bolton Olympic v Eagley

Bolton Wanderers v Bootle

Druids v Oswestry

Great Lever v Halliwell

NORTHWICH VICTORIA 3 (G. Plant 3) ASTLEY BRIDGE 2 (J.J. Swimby 2) (H.T. 3-1) (Sat Oct 28<sup>th</sup>) (At Drill Field, Leftwich, Northwich)

Northwich Guardian 31/10/82 P.6/Bolton Evening News 30/10/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 1/11/82 P.77/Athletic News 1/11/82 P.3/Field 4/11/82 P.659/Referee 30/10/82 P.6:

NG: "On Saturday a high wind militated greatly against a good exhibition of football. The English Cup tie, played at Northwich, between the Northwich Victoria and the Astley Bridge (Lancashire) Clubs was a rather exciting affair, but it did not end in the easy win for the home team that was anticipated. Three to two did not represent the result that the "prophets" had prognosticated. There

was, however, a good deal of allowance to be made for the somewhat ineffective play of the Northwichers. In the first place, Plant, the captain, was suffering from a severe cold, which accounted in great measure for his comparatively poor play. Then again, Tomkinson was all but disabled by a kick ten minutes after the start, and nothing but sheer pluck enabled him to see the game through. The spectators were ignorant of the accident, and poor Tomkinson's frequent but inevitable tumbles (owing to his leg giving way) brought forth some growls that were no means complimentary. But the goddess of bad luck had not yet finished with the Victorians. Atherton, the strongest man of the team, twisted the cup of his knee out of its place, and had to retire, his excellent companion, Moore, being left alone on the right wing. Taking all these mishaps into consideration, and allowing for the strong gusty wind, it was not surprising that the home players so narrowly escaped a draw—an event that would have necessitated a trip to Astley Bridge. In the first half, they had by far the best of the play, and it was only the brilliant goalkeeping of Fielding that prevented them making their victory a more decisive one. With the wind in their favour in the second period, the Lancashire men became the oppressors, and at one time those who had backed the local men looked rather gloomy. The Victorians, however, by good defensive work, held their opponents in check, and during the last ten minutes carried on the fight amid much excitement in Lancashire territory, but their attempts to score failed. With reference to individual merit, it may be stated that Moore's play was splendid throughout; and that the same remark applies to W. Hughes. Vernon was very energetic, and made some good points, and Spruce worked as hard as ever; while Turnbull also did good service. The back play was very fair, and it was especially noticeable when the Lancashire attack on the home fortress was at its height. Plant, the captain, though indisposed, proved a certain goal-getter whenever opportunity offered. We have seen J. Spruce play better at goal. Atherton showed fine form while he played, and it was unfortunate for the Victorians that he had to retire early. Tomkinson's accident is an excuse for his moderate performance. Of the other side, it may be said that they played a good all round game, and had a tower of strength in their goal-keeper." (No teams)

FWR: "This match in the first round was played on Saturday, at Leftwich, the ground of the former club. The home team winning the toss, playing with a stiff breeze in their favour in the first half of the game, and at once assumed the offensive, and, but for the brilliant play of Fielding, they would have soon commenced to score. Plant was the first to obtain a goal, the ball being passed to him after a capital run by Atherton and Moore. Astley Bridge soon equalised matters, a foul by Butterworth giving them the desired opportunity. Plant, however, scored again for the home team, and Moore obtained another point, which was disallowed on the plea of offside. A "corner" well-directed by Atherton gave Plant another chance, of which he readily availed himself. After half time the Lancashire men pressed their opponents, and Swimby scored a goal. No other point was obtained and the Victorians won by three goals to two."

AN: "Plant, after some rather pretty play, scored the first goal for Northwich, but shortly afterwards, the visitors breaking away Swimby sent in a good shot, the ball hitting the post and rolling through the goal. Plant immediately after scored a second goal for Northwich, and after many fruitless attempts to land another goal, Plant, from a corner kick, scored a third time for the home players. At half time the wind had fallen considerably, but Astley Bridge were in turn the oppressors. Swimby, with a good shot, scored the second goal for the Lancastrians, who tried their very hardest to make matters equal. The game was wonderfully exciting towards the finish, and in the last moment the score was within an ace of being made level, but the Astley Bridge man in his anxiety put the ball over instead of under the bar."

F: "Played on Oct 28 at Leftwich, and, after an excellent game, Northwich were left masters of the situation by three goals to two."

Northwich Victoria: J. Spruce (Goal), F. Butterworth, F. W. Hughes (Backs), W. Hughes, G. Vernon (Half Backs), A. Moore, A. Atherton (Right Wing), E. Turnbull, G. Plant (Capt.), J. Tomkinson, W. Spruce (Forwards).

Astley Bridge: J. Fielding (Goal), J. Sleigh, J. Smith (Backs), J. Eatock, H. Morris, J. Leyland (Half Backs); T. Curran, R. Greenhalgh, J. Morris, Brindle, J. J. Swimby (Forwards).

SOUTHPORT 1 (L. Ambler) LIVERPOOL RAMBLERS 1 (E. Baxter) (H.T. 1-1) (Sat Oct 7<sup>th</sup>)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 11/10/82 P.23/Liverpool Daily Post 10/10/82 P.6/Liverpool Mercury 10/10/82 P.7 (see below):

FIND LOCAL REPORT (see Liverpool Ramblers report under website for club)

FWR: "This match in the first round of the competition was played at Southport on Saturday before about 300 spectators, including a good sprinkling of the fair sex. The Southport lost the toss and kicked off against a slight wind. Some fast play ensued, the ball traveling from one end to the other in fine style. The "Reds" were the first to score, Ambler putting the ball through from a neat pass of Arthur Dalby's. Shortly after Baxter secured the ball, and dribbled past the "Reds" back, shot the ball through, thus making the score equal. There was no other score after this, the play on both sides being brilliant, the dribbling of the Ramblers, and the effective passing of the "Reds" eliciting loud cheers from the pleased onlookers. Amongst the team of the Ramblers were six University men, five Old Etonians and one of Errol College, Edinburgh. Play terminated at five o'clock, and resulted in a tie-one goal each."

LDP: "This match was played at Southport on Saturday, in the presence of several hundred people, and resulted in a draw, both sides scoring a goal. Some good play was shown on either side, but what of practice told most on the Ramblers. The goals were scored in the first half of the game, but some good shots were made in the second, the goals several times being in great danger."

N.B LM has the following report with teams of this match, but headed "Sydney v Rathbone (Liverpool Ramblers)" , with a few differences in the names, and having Hornby in goal in place of Bateson and the latter as a forward.

LM: "The above match took place at Southport on Saturday, in the presence of 400 or 500 spectators, who evinced the greatest interest in the varying fortunes of a well-fought game, the number of ladies who were spectators being an especial and most pleasing feature of the day. The kick-off took place at 3.30, and the Ramblers immediately took the ball into the Southport half of the field, and for some time closely pressed their opponents, but by a well-concerted rush of Southport, of which Messrs Colman and Briggs were prominent, a goal was secured. However, after change, the Ramblers, playing admirably, secured a well-earned goal, and thus equalised matters. The rest of the day's play, though the game was well sustained, did not produce any tangible results. The Ramblers' backs, Messrs Turner and Pilkington, deserve especial praise, and (the) Messrs Baxter worked well among the forwards. Messrs Briggs and Colman, of the home team forwards, and Mr Barnett among the backs, also distinguished themselves."

Southport:W.Platt(Goal);T.B.Burnett,B.Piddock(Backs);R.J.Rylance,E.Ramsbotham(Half Backs); L.Ambler,T.Coleman,J.L.Briggs,C.E.Calvert,Arthur Dalby,Alfred Dalby.

Liverpool Ramblers:P.Bateson(Goal);G.W.Turner(Edinburgh University),J.B.Heyworth(Backs), J.Heald,R.M.Pilkington(Eton)(Half Backs);E.Baxter(Eton),H.Baxter(Oxford),R.P.Wilson, L.H.Hornby,W.E.Earle(Oxford),W.Crofts(Forwards).

N.B.LDP has L.H.Hornby in goal and P.Bateson as a forward

Umpires:T.Iddon and J.Acton.Referee:J.Garston.

REPLAY:Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>:

LIVERPOOL RAMBLERS 4(E.Baxter 2,W.E.Earle,Dr. J.F.Bateson) SOUTHPORT 0 (H.T. 0-0)(At Aigburth Hotel,Liverpool)

Liverpool Mercury 6/11/82 P.7/Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.86/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Field 11/11/82 P.695:

LM:"This match took place on Saturday on the grounds of the home team at the Aigburth Hotel,to play off a tie,which was the result of a match played away on October 7.Barber kicked off for Liverpool,and the play was very even till the half time,neither side scoring.In the second half, however,the Ramblers made four goals,Baxter kicking the first and third,Earle the second,and J.F.Bateson the fourth.The game resulted in four goals to nothing."

AN:"The undecided tie between these two clubs was played off on Saturday,at Aigburth,near Liverpool,and resulted in a decisive victory for the home team by four goals to nil.The weather was boisterous,and in places a perfect quagmire.The play during the first half hour was of an even character no major point being made,though a strong wind was blowing in the visitors' favour.On changing ends,however,the game assumed a very different aspect,and shortly after the ball was started,E.Baxter sent it through the posts in the neatest possible style.In quick succession W.Earle and Baxter followed up with successful shots at their opponents' citadel.After this trio of disasters,Southport put in some gallant spurts,but to no purpose,as just on the call of time J.F.Bateson lowered the colours of the visitors for the fourth time.For the Ramblers,Turner and Gladstone at back,and Baxter,the Batesons,Earle,and Acton were conspicuous;whilst Rylance and Coleman did excellent work for the losers."

FWR:"The wind was very high,and the ground wet,but still some fine play was shown.Southport won the toss,and played with the wind and slight hill in their favour,but failed to score,mainly owing to the good defence of Turner,Heald,and Heaton.But when ends were changed at half-time,the Ramblers had it nearly all their own way,and ended by winning by four goals to nil.The score should have been larger,but for the very uncertain play of the Ramblers forwards when in front of goal; Baxter scored two,and Earle one,and Dr Bateson the fourth.Heald's corner kicking,and "throwing-in"

were very fine, and Baxter, Dr Bateson, Earle, and Rayner played very well for the Ramblers, while Briggs, Rylance, Burnett, and Coleman played best for Southport."

Liverpool Ramblers: F.G. Heaton (Trent College) (Goal), G.W. Turner (Edinburgh University), J. Gladstone (Backs), J. Heald, A.R. Midwood, P. Bateson (Eton) (Half Backs), Dr J.F. Bateson, E.V. Rayner (Eton/Christ Church) (Right Wing), E. Baxter (Eton) (Centre), W.E. Earle (Oxford), J. Acton (Left Wing)

Southport: T.B. Burnett (Goal), B. Piddock, Arthur Dalby (Backs), E. Ramsbottom, Rylance (Half Backs), J. Melross, C. Ambler (Right Wing), T. Coleman, Alfred Dalby (Centres), J.L. Briggs, W. Hatch (Left Wing).

BOLTON OLYMPIC 4 (J. Austin, 2, o.g., T. Burgess)

EAGLEY 7 (H. Morris, T. Scullthorpe 2, J. Haslam, R. Hall 2, J. Derham) (H.T. 2-2) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) (Olympic Ground, Tonge Field)

N.B. AN scorers different

Bolton Evening News 6/11/82 P.4:

BEN: "On the Olympic Ground, Tonge Field. About 300 persons were present to witness the encounter, many of whom hailed from Eagley. Whittle won the toss and took advantage of the wind, which blew almost a gale. The Olympic were soon dangerous, and caused Hall to use his hands. An abortive corner followed, and then R. Hall and Corless paid a visit to the other end, but Whittle and Nussey saved nicely and hostilities were once more raging in front of the Eagley fortress, Hall defending his goal well, once falling on the ground with the ball in his hands and wriggling out—a splendid piece of work. A corner now fell to the Olympians, but Derham got the ball away, R. Hall and Corless being again prominent, Nussey kicking out to save. Nothing came of the corner, and a good kick by Whittle gave Hardiker the ball, and screwing it nicely Austin scored. Soon after the ball was again started, Corless obtained possession, and after a good run passed to Morris who equalised matters. Eagley was again sorely pressed, but T. Hall and Derham defended grandly, and always managed to clear their lines. A pretty run by Morris and Scullthorpe was the means of transferring the play to the other end, and from a free kick nicely placed, the latter scored. The Olympians were again to the fore, and though R. Hall and Corless made several praiseworthy attempts to get past Whittle and Nussey, were seldom successful, and from a corner Austin once more made the game equal. Nothing more was gained up to half time. On play being resumed Eagley at once made matters warm for the Olympians, but Nussey and Whittle were always on the alert, and were repeatedly cheered for their fine defence. It was some time before Eagley found an opening, but at length Haslam sent one home, though he appeared to be off-side at the time. A dispute arose as to a previous claim for hands, but was disallowed. Eagley returned to the attack, and from a good kick by Derham R. Hall was again successful after an effective run. The next goal came from the other end, the Eagley goal-keeper, in attempting to clear his charge, just putting the ball over the line. R. Hall put in another good run on Eagley's left, and again scored. A splendid kick from mid-field by Derham was responsible for goal number six. The Olympic forwards now brightened up a little, Hardiker, Austin, and Burgess being prominent, and they had several close shaves. After some long kicks by the backs on both sides, Burgess got the ball in mid-field, dribbled on to the goal, and put it through. Olympic still continued to play up pluckily, but the wind was a great hinderance to them, and out of a



scrummage Scullthorpe made the Eagley total seven. Time was shortly afterwards called, Eagley thus winning by seven goals to four."

Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3(No teams): "Played on the Olympic ground last Saturday, Eagley winning by seven goals to four. The Olympic won the toss, and took advantage of a strong wind, but it was fully 20 minutes before they scored, the result of a nice screw kick by Hardiker. R. Hall and Corless now put in some nice runs on the Eagley left, and a good shot by Haslam equalised matters. The Olympic now had several chances, but made nothing of them, and from a free kick Eagley scored again. The ball had scarcely been restarted, when Austin once more made matters even. Half time was called without any alteration in the scores. With the wind in their favour Eagley expected making short work of their opponents, who, however, played up wonderfully well, the play of Burgess and Hardiker being very good, and they were ably assisted by Whittle and Hussey. The Halls were also very prominent for Eagley, and chiefly through their exertions goal number three was scored. A claim of hands was disallowed. Eagley now had the best of it, and scored again through a good return by Derham. A scrummage now took place in the Eagley goal and Whittle put the ball through. A good run by R. Hall half the length of the ground was again successful, and immediately afterwards Burgess took the ball right through the opposing backs and safely landed another goal for the Olympic. A long shot by Derham was responsible for the sixth, and Eagley made the total seven out of a scrummage. +Hussey and Whittle played grandly for the Olympic, and Eagley were best represented by R. Hall and Derham." +Nussey

Bolton Olympic: J. K. Taylor (Goal), R. Openshaw, J. Nussey (Backs); W. Whittle (Capt.), J. Atherton, T. Lee (Half Backs), J. Austin, T. Burgess, T. Dawson, J. Hardiker, J. Dewhurst (Forwards).

Eagley: James Hall (Goal), S. Holt, J. Durham (Capt.) (Backs), F. Jones, T. Hall, W. Hall (Half Backs), J. Haslam, T. Sculthorpe, Richard Hall, W. Corless, H. Morris (Forwards)

Umpires: Wharton and Burgess. Referee: J. J. Bentley.

BOLTON WANDERERS 6 (W. G. Struthers 5, W. Steel) BOOTLE 1 (W. Roberts) (H. T. 4-0) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) (At Bolton)

Liverpool Daily Post 6/11/82 P.6/Bolton Evening News 6/11/82 P.4/Liverpool Mercury 6/11/82 P.7(No teams)/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.86/Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3/(Not in Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11)/Liverpool Mercury 6/11/82 P.7/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4:

LDP: "This match, a first round tie in the English Challenge Cup competition, was played at Bolton, on Saturday afternoon, in cold and cheerless weather, but before about 2,000 spectators. The match was a very one-sided affair, as the Wanderers, who put into the field exactly the same team as that which defeated the Glasgow Rangers a week ago, carried all before them, winning by six goals to one."

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the Bootle end, the wind blew in invariably in the mouth of their goal, when their backs were attempting to get the leather away. It was only occasionally that the Bootle men had a look in at the Wanderers' citadel, the remainder of the time being spent in the Wanderers storming the Bootle headquarters; the elements were so much in favour of the home team, that Wilson, their goalkeeper only kept about thirty yards from the Bootle goal, leaving his own to be protected by the wind, which blew "great guns" towards the Liverpool lines. Struthers was the first to score for the Wanderers, the visitors' goal being lowered five minutes after the start. The same Scotch player necessitated the registration of a second premier point ten minutes later, while Steel landed the third and Struthers the fourth, so that at half time the score was four goals to nil. With the change of wind the visitors played much better, and Roberts scored a goal for Bootle just after the re-commencement. Struthers, however, succeeded in getting two more goals for the Wanderers, who won by six goals to one, the late Glasgow Ranger (Struthers) obtaining five out of the six goals."

AN: "In six minutes from the start, Christie placed the ball in goal, and it was shot through by Struthers. Jones next kicked just wide of the posts, and then Struthers was again successful. Fowler next dropped the ball up to the custodian, who partially dropped it, and Steel rushed it through. The Bootle men strove hard to approach the other goal, but always without avail, and before the change of ends a third goal was added by Struthers. On crossing over the Bootle men were greatly aided by the wind, and made frequent attacks on the Bolton fortress, a long shot by Robertson ultimately taking effect. Cox worked the ball up to the Bootle end repeatedly, despite the vigilance of the backs and half backs, and at length, after some good passing, Struthers notched a fifth goal. J. Jones and Robertson showed some good play on the visitors' left, but could not overcome the Wanderers' defence, and shortly before the whistle gave the signal for terminating hostilities, Struthers again put the ball under, making his fifth goal, leaving the Wanderers the winners by six goals to one."

Bolton Wanderers: T.R. Wilson (Goal); J. McKernan, J. Young (Backs); J. Kennedy, J. Gleaves (Half Backs); W. Cox, J. Fowler (Right), W.G. Struthers, J. Christie (Centres), W. Steel, E. Jones (Left).

Bootle: S.W. Jones (Goal); T. Marriott, R.M. Sloan (Backs); C. Allsopp, J. Rogers, A.F. Walsh (Half Backs); A. Richmond, A. Allsopp (Right), W. Crellin (Centre), W. Roberts, J. Jones (Left).

Umpires: R.E. Lythgoe and Jas. Parkinson. Referee: R. Kirkham (Darwen).

DRUIDS 1 ("scrimmage") OSWESTRY 1 (J.E. Davies) (H.T. 0-1) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) (At Wynnstay Park)

Wrexham Advertiser 11/11/82 P.5/Athletic News 8/11/82 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.86/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Field 11/11/82 P.695/Referee 5/11/82 P.6:

WA: "A large concourse of spectators assembled in Wynnstay Park, on Saturday afternoon, to witness the struggle for supremacy between the Druids, the holders of the Welsh Challenge Cup, and Oswestry, who have the custody of the Shropshire trophy, the teams meeting on this occasion in the first round for the English cup. The weather was exceedingly unfavourable, the game being played in a gale of wind that sadly interfered with any exhibition of good play. The Druids were evidently the favourites, their partisans being expectant that they would easily vanquish the Oswestrians. The latter were much the lighter team, but what they were deficient of in weight they made up for in swiftness. The Oswestry captain was fortunate enough to win the toss, and accordingly elected to defend the

goal nearest the entrance gates, thus having a powerful ally in a very strong wind which was blowing across the ground. On the ball being set in motion it was immediately taken to the Druids quarters, but the Welshmen were equal to the occasion, and quickly transferred the play to more neutral ground. The Oswestrians had several favourable opportunities for scoring, but by some incorrectly judged shots failed to make good use of them. After some all round play Shaw inaugurated an attack on the Welshmen's quarters, and a corner had to be conceded to the visitors. The kick was entrusted to W.H.Davies, who judiciously placed the ball well in front of goal, and after a short but gallantly fought battle J.E.Davies neatly landed the leather through the Druids' uprights, the result being greeted with loud cheers by a large crowd of delighted Oswestrians. The visitors made no further score up to half time, and on ends being changed those who had accompanied the team from Oswestry expressed themselves as exceedingly anxious regarding the fate of their representatives, as it was considered only too probable that the Druids, now they had the advantage of the wind, would not only speedily equalise matters, but defeat their opponents in an unpleasantly decisive fashion. The ball being once again set rolling the Welshmen rapidly carried the fight into English ground, their attacks on the goal being made so rapidly as to give its defenders plenty of work in successfully resisting the onslaughts of the home team. At last a fierce fight was waged in the teeth of the Oswestry goal, the ball being put through in a scrimmage. This made matters even, and it was now fully expected that at the expiration of the game the Oswestry would have seen their first and last fight in the English Challenge Cup ties. The Oswestry goal was frequently in imminent danger, but owing partly to good fortune and largely to the brilliant manner in which Gough defended his goal, and also to the good form shown by the majority of the team, the game ended in a draw. This was rather disappointing to the supporters of the home team, as they had quite made up their minds as to the way in which the game would terminate. The Oswestry team's friends on the other hand, expressed themselves well pleased at the way the contest had come to a conclusion, as it was feared at the outset that the Druids were too strong for their opponents, whereas the experience gained during the afternoon went to show that there was not much to choose between the rival teams, and that when they meet again a well-contested game may be expected."

Druids: B.Roberts(Goal), J.Powell(Capt.), R.Roberts(Backs), W.Williams, J.Jones(Half Backs)  
E.Bowen, J.Doughty(Right Wing), K.Crosse, J.P.Davies(Centres), J.Vaughan, J.Roberts(Left Wing).

Oswestry: R.T.Gough(Goal), J.H.Williams(Capt.), A.Roberts(Backs); W.T.Foulkes, M.Evans(Half Backs);  
W.H.Davies, J.E.Davies(Right Wing), J.Wynn, J.Groves(Centres), J.Roach, E.G.Shaw(Left Wing).

Umpires: Llewellyn Kenrick for Druids and H.Roberts for Oswestry.  
Referee: C.Crump(Wolverhampton).

REPLAY: Sat Nov 18<sup>th</sup>:

OSWESTRY 0 DRUIDS 2("Combined rush", W.P.Owen)(H.T. 0-2)(At Oswestry)

Wrexham Advertiser 25/11/82 P.8(No teams)/Athletic News 22/11/82 P.3(No teams)/Football A  
Weekly Record of the Game 22/11/82 P.119/Bell's Life 25/11/82 P.3/Sportsman 20/11/82 P.4/  
Sporting Life 21/11/82 P.4/Field 25/11/82 P.569/Referee 19/11/82 P.6:

WA: "These clubs met at Oswestry to play off their tie on Saturday last, and thus decide which should have the honour of entering the second round of the English Challenge Cup competition. Great

interest was taken in the match, the first game having resulted in a draw. Both clubs made considerable changes in their teams, Vaughan and A. Powell were both absentees from the Druids, the former not having recovered from the accident he met with at Chirk, whilst A. Powell was unavoidably detained at home, under these circumstances their places were filled by the reserves all of whom were chosen and duly elected early in the season. The Oswestry team were much strengthened and improved by the introduction of several of the White Star (Oswestry) men who rendered most valuable assistance to the Town Club and which otherwise would have been much weakened in the "back" division by the absence of John Jones, Ruabon, who last season so assisted the Oswestry players to win the Shropshire Cup. The Druids won by two goals to none."

BL: "...the home club played their usual team but the Druids were much stronger than when the clubs met a fortnight ago, having obtained assistance from the Ruthin, Corwen and Ellesmere football clubs. A protest has, however, been lodged on the grounds that three of the players have not been bona fide playing members for a month."

AN: "Groves for the home team kicked off at 2-40, and during the first 25 minutes no score was made, although some sharp play was witnessed. Soon afterwards the visitors made a combined rush, and were rewarded by scoring the first goal. After the kick off the ball was brought right up to the Druids goal, but J.E. Davies slipping, lost his opportunity of scoring, and Powell being close by, kicked the ball to Owen of Ruthin, who obtained possession, and was the means of a second goal being scored. No further score was made up to half time. After change of ends both teams played up with great determination, but without any different result, the game terminating in favour of the Druids by two goals to none. For the winners- who, bye-the-bye, had no less than seven International players in their team- Powell and Roberts, of Ruthin deserve special praise; whilst K. Crosse, A. Jones, and Owen (Ruthin) were amongst the best of the forwards."

Oswestry: R.T. Gough (Goal), J.H. Williams (Capt.), Allen Roberts (Backs), M. Evans, R. Jones (Half Backs), W.H. Davies, J.E. Davies (Right Wing), J. Groves, J. Wynn (Centres), J. Roach, E.G. Shaw (Left Wing).

Druids: H. Adams (Goal), J. Powell (Capt.), J. Roberts (Backs), R. Roberts, Wm. Williams (Half Backs), W.P. Owen, E. Bowen (Right Wing), K. Crosse, J.P. Davies (Centres), J. Roberts, A. Jones (Left Wing). (F)

GREAT LEVER 2 (Swithenby, Fallon) HALLIWELL 3 (Rhodes, Bell, Harper) (H.T. 0-1) (Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup>) (At Great Lever Grounds, Bolton)

Bolton Evening News 23/10/82 P.4/Athletic News 25/10/82 P.3 (No teams)/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 25/10/82 P.55/Bell's Life 28/10/82 P.12 (No teams)/Field 25/10/82 P.620/Sportsman 23/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 24/10/82 P.4:

BEN: "(Long report)"

AN: "This being the most important game in the neighborhood, a tremendous crowd assembled on the Great Lever Grounds, Bolton, to witness the contest. Up to half time, Great Lever had much the best of it, severely pressing their opponents, and on one occasion taking no less than five corners in immediate succession, but the Halliwell back division played a splendid defensive game. No doubt with more combination among the Lever forwards they would have scored more than once, but as it was (Foole and Schofield), with an excellent goalkeeper in Vickers, were too much for them. After half an hour's play, Halliwell came with a rush, and Jones, the Lever back, was obliged to give a corner.

From this a scrummage resulted, and Rhodes, who had played well throughout, secured the first goal for Halliwell. After the change of ends, the wind increased, giving the visitors an advantage. However, the Lever forwards improved, and Swithenby made matters equal with a fine shot. Hardman also put in splendid play, and it was mainly due to him and Sharples that Fallon scored the second time for Great Lever. The game now became very fast and exciting, and, after a deal of rough charging had been indulged in, Bell screwed a good goal for Halliwell. From now until the call of "Time" disputes were frequent, each side endeavouring to claim every advantage in view of the winning goal. At length, after a hard scrummage, Harper shot the leather through, and a claim on behalf of Lever was disallowed. This decision was appealed against, and will probably come before the committee. The Great Lever goalkeeper was not equal to his predecessor, Higham, but Jones, Hardman, Sharples, Fallon, and Swithenby all did good service. Vickers, the Halliwell custodian, deserved high praise; whilst Bell, Rhodes, and Battersby of the backs showed excellent form."

FWR: "This tie was played at Bolton on Saturday, in the presence of four thousand spectators. Great Lever had much the best of the play at starting, but the Halliwell backs played grandly and averted all attempts at scoring. Halliwell got the first goal, Rhodes doing the needful. Swithenby and Fallon then each added a goal for the home team, only to have the score equalised by Bell. Harper secured a third goal for Halliwell, who thus won a most exciting game by three goals to (two.) Some disputes occurred as to the legality of the last point."

SM: "The Great Lever team retained Jones, whose services were in request by the Blackburn Rovers, and they also played Evans, of Walsall."

Great Lever: Rothwell (Goal), Jones, Bradley (Backs), Hardman, Evans, J. Scowcroft (Half Backs); Fallon, Livesey, Sharples, Howarth, Swithenby (Forwards).

Halliwell: T. Vickers (Goal), W. Foole, T. Schofield (Backs), F. Hamer, Walsh, T. Brooks (Half Backs), J. Bell, J. Battersby, J. Harper, Twist, Rhodes (Forwards).

Referee: Eaton of Accrington.

## SOUTHERN CLUBS

### FIFTH DIVISION:

London Olympic v United Hospitals

Mosquitoes v Hanover United

Kildare v Clapham Rovers

Windsor v Acton

UNITED HOSPITALS 3 (A.E. Rouse, "scrimmage", a Half Back) LONDON OLYMPIC 0 (H.T. 3-0) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) (At Upton)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.86/Field 11/11/82 P.695/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Referee 5/11/82 P.6:

FWR/F: "This match in the first round was played off on Saturday, and resulted in a win for the Hospitals by three goals to nil. The Medicals played for the first half with the wind at their backs, and having everything their own way, ought to have scored more goals, but it was very difficult to kick

corners in the high wind. Rouse kicked the first goal for the Hospitals shortly after the beginning of play, and another was quickly driven through the Olympics' goal through a scrimmage. Corner after corner then fell to the United, but nothing resulted from them until soon afterwards a Hospital half back sent the ball through over the heads of a scrimmage, the ball just touching one of the Olympics. After half time the Olympics, having the wind, did much better and the game was fairly even, but no further goal was obtained by either side. Rouse (forward) played a splendid game for the Hospitals, while Hawkins at half-back was very useful. For the Olympics, Grant, Fisher, and Martins played well."

REF: "This match, under Association rules, was played today (Saturday) at Upton, and resulted in favour of the United Hospitals by three goals to nil. United Hospitals, with the wind in their favour, obtained three goals in the first twenty minutes. The Olympic then played a grand defensive game, each man doing his utmost, and succeeded in averting further defeat."

BL/SM/SL: "This tie was played on Saturday at Upton, and resulted in favour of the United Hospitals by three goals to love. The items were all scored in the first twenty minutes." (No full report)

United Hospitals: +J.B. Mills-Roberts (Goal), A.J. Weakley (Capt.), F.R. Shannon (Backs), H.P. Hawkins, J.R.A. Bennett (Half Backs), F. Beard, J.W. Taylor (Rights), R.E. Rouse, H.T. Herring (Centres), J.A. Southern, L. Bathurst (Lefts).

(FWR/F have H.J. Herring)

+R. in FWR but N.B. In Round 2 game has J.B. Mills-Roberts: is this the famous Preston R. Mills-Roberts?

London Olympic: W.E. Mills (Goal), C. Beer, G. Johnson (Backs), H.G. Martins (Capt.), H.A. Foster (Half Backs), D.G. Hunter, H. Duggleby (Rights), J.R. Bickers, F.W. Fisher (Centres), D.M. Donald, A. Grant (Lefts).

MOSQUITOES 0 HANOVER UNITED 1 (H. Robinson own goal from a corner) (H.T. 0-0) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) (At the Greyhound, Dulwich)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.86/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Referee 5/11/82 P.6:

FWR: "These clubs met on Saturday to decide which should compete in the second round of the above competition. The wind blowing across the ground gave no particular advantage to either side. Hanover kicked off and the game for some time was of an even character; a good run and middle by Ravani proved ineffective. Hanover centres not being thereabouts, Mosquitoes warming up pressed their opponents, two long shots by A.E. Denny being well saved by the custodian. After about an hour's play the Mosquitoes experienced some hard luck, their energetic and invaluable captain (E.A. Whittle) receiving a severe kick just above the eye from the foot of an Hanovarian, which caused him to retire. During the latter part of the game the 'Quitoes must have scored, but for the grand back play of Q. Hogg. Shortly before time a corner kick fell to the United, which had effect through the ball just touching the goalkeeper's hands. No further score resulted, the visitors thus winning by one goal to love."

SM:"Played on Saturday at the Greyhound,Dulwich,and resulted in favour of the Hanover by one goal to none.The item was obtained after a corner kick.Stokes,Kirkpatrick,and Whittle played finely for the home team;whilst Ravani,Stanning,and Hogg were most useful for the victors."

Mosquitoes:+Ormsby Jones(Goal);H.Denny,H.Young(Backs);W.Spelman,E.A.Whittle(Capt.)(Half Backs);E.M.Soulby,W.E.Gill(Rights),A.R.Kirkpatrick,J.H.Cornford(Centres),A.E.Denny,J.W.Stokes (Lefts).

+(SL/SM/REF all have Jones for H.Robinson in FWR:Ormsby Jones listed in another game in goal,so have assumed he played in this match :Robinson is also listed in another game,but as C.Robinson)

Hanover United:H.T.Nottingham(Goal);Q.Hogg,G.Scoble(Capt.)(Backs),L.Harris,J.Nottingham (Half Backs),C.Irvine,Whittington(Rights),Dodd,C.Stanning(Centres),E.Ravani,H.Horsefield(Lefts).

(FWR has A.T.Nottingham)

Umpire:Sir J.Kirkpatrick,Bart.Referee:M.P.Betts(Old Harrovians).

KILDARE 0 CLAPHAM ROVERS 3 (F.W.Pawson 2,Own goal)(H.T. ?)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(At Shepherd's Bush)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.86/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Referee 5/11/82 P.6/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11/Morning Post 6/11/82 P.2:

FWR/SL:"Played last Saturday at Shepherd's Bush,and after a very one-sided game resulted in favour of the Rovers by three goals to nil.The game needs no description,as the Kildare were completely hemmed in,and only once succeeded in making the Rovers kick off.The small number of goals scored was owing to the high wind blowing straight across the ground,and to the fact that the Kildare men crowded round their own goal.Two goals were kicked by Pawson and one out of a scrimmage."

SM/REF:"This tie was played on Saturday afternoon at Shepherd's Bush,and resulted in favour of the Clapham Rovers by three goals to love.The goals were kicked,two by Pawson,and one by a Kildare man.For the Rovers,Vintcent,Coles,Pawson,Payne,and Holden-White played well,whilst for the Kildare,Cooper,Vinnicombe,Firling,and Brown showed good form."

MP:"These clubs also met on Saturday last to decide their tie,the ground being that of the Kildare at Shepherd's Bush.The Rovers were too powerful for their rivals,whom they defeated by three goals to none.Two of the goals were kicked by Pawson,and the third was obtained through the ball glancing between the posts off one of the Kildare men."(No lineups)

BL:"The goals were kicked,two by Pawson,and one by a Kildare man"(No full report)

Kildare:R.B.Brown(Goal),W.Baker(Capt.),J.J.Toovey(Backs),W.J.Cooper,C.F.Sudbury,H.F.Gibbs (Half Backs),W.C.Vinnicombe,W.A.Firling(Right Wing),O.Morris(Centre),W.J.Jeffreys,F.Branscombe (Left Wing).

(FWR has F.J.Toovey)

Clapham Rovers:R.A.M.M.Ogilvie(Goal),H.A.Carter,J.E.Vintcent(Backs),H.H.Coles,A.J.Stanley (Half Backs),F.W.Pawson,H.S.Payne(Right Wing),C.Holden-White(Capt.),E.A.Ram(Centres), J.R.Howard-Maclean,R.S.Oxley(Left Wing).

Umpires:W.J.Harvey and D.Kerr.Referee:K.Osborne.

WINDSOR 3 (A.Dear 2,P.C.Collins) ACTON 0 (H.T. 1-0)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(+At St.Mark's College,Windsor)

+By kind permission of Rev.S.Hawtrey:Instead of Windsor Home Park which was flooded

Field 11/11/82 P.695/Windsor & Eton Express 11/11/82 P.4/Berkshire Chronicle 11/11/82 P.2/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.86/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4:

F:"This tie in the first round was decided at St Mark's Ground,Windsor,on Saturday afternoon.Grey having won the toss,decided to kick down hill,and,in concert with the strong wind which blew obliquely across the ground,for quite ten minutes the fight was carried on in close proximity to the Acton citadel;but fortune would not smile on the strenuous efforts of the chocolate and light blue jackets,and after that time had elapsed,chiefly through the exertions of Grey,Stringfield,and Atkinson,the ball was taken into Windsor territory.Although the latter continued to have the best of the game,nothing decisive transpired until shortly before half time,when,after some capital passing all along the line,Collins passed to Dear,and that player promptly kicked the ball between the posts. In the short space of ten minutes after change,Windsor gained a further advantage,as,after some really brilliant passing by Dear,Swayn(e),and Collins,the latter passed the ball under the tape.This second reverse only urged the Actonites to renewed efforts,and,playing in plucky style,Grey and Atkinson managed to transfer the leather to the other end of the ground.The former centred to Stringfield,and for a few moments Kelly began to wonder whether the visitors really were going to score after all.But it was not to be,and the Windsor backs,putting in some good and timely efforts, the wearers of the navy blue and red had to retreat and act on the defensive.The light was now getting indistinct and the time short,so the Windsor men strove with renewed vigour to obtain a third point.Ten minutes before the end of the game Day sent in a splendid shot straight for the Acton citadel.The leather struck the bar,and dropped down on to the goalkeeper's hands.He threw it in front of him;but Dear and Powell were on it in a moment,and the ball was rushed through,the former giving the final touch.At call of time the leather was well within Acton territory,and Windsor left the field victors by three goals to nought."

W&EE/BC/SL:"This tie in the first round,was played at St Mark's Ground,Windsor on Saturday.Acton won the toss,and kicked down the hill with the wind,which was very strong.The game to nearly half time was equal,when Collins and (Swayne) made a splendid run down,the former passing the ball just at the last moment to Dear,who had no difficulty putting the ball through just as the clock was striking four.After "change" the home team had far and away the best of the game.Collins again ran the ball down to the visitors' goal,and,with a neat shot,scored a second goal for Windsor.This put their opponents on their mettle,and the game became fast.A quarter of an hour later Day sent in a fine shot straight for the goal;the ball hit the bar and came into the goalkeeper's hands.Dear and Powell were on it in a moment,the former obtaining the third goal for the winners.Thus the game resulted, when "time" was called,in a victory for Windsor by three goals to nil."



FWR: "This match was played on Saturday at St. Mark's College, Windsor. The Windsor forwards considerably pressed their opponents, in whose quarters the game was carried on for some time, until Dear scored the first goal for Windsor some 40 minutes after commencing. After half time the Acton improved, but the Windsor backs were too strong for them, Day showing some excellent play. Ten minutes after restarting Windsor scored the second goal, and shortly afterwards obtained a third from a long shot which hit the post and was put through by Dear. The home team thus won by three goals to nil. The play of the Windsor team was good throughout, Acton suffering from the weakness of their back play."

SM: "A start was made at 3.25, and when time was called at five o'clock, the Windsor men left the ground victors by three goals to nothing. During the whole of the game the ball only went past the Windsor posts on six occasions, and only once was Kelly called upon to use his hands."

Windsor: E. C. Kelly (Goal), G. R. Ashley (Capt.), J. B. Day (Backs), J. S. de Bay, C. Crook (Half Backs), P. C. Collins, E. Swayne (Right), T. Brown, H. H. Cheesman (Left), A. Dear, A. W. Powell (Forwards).

N. B. Initials confirmed as per W&EE 4/11/82 P.4

Acton: B. J. Young (Goal), A. Savage, C. Collins (Backs), F. Attoe, A. Sykes, F. Murray-Ford (Half Backs) F. Mellers, F. S. Heynemann (Right Side), W. C. Stringfield (Centre), R. H. Grey (Capt.), H. G. Atkinson (Left Side).

Umpires: F. Stevens and Martin. Referee: R. W. Jackson (Finchley).

#### SIXTH DIVISION:

Barnes v Brentwood

Rochester v Hotspur

Old Etonians v Old Foresters

Swifts v Union

Upton Park, a bye

BARNES 2 (R. S. Ibbs, Own goal from free kick) BRENTWOOD 4 (W. S. Morice 2, E. C. Evelyn 2) (H. T. 1-1) (Sat Oct 28<sup>th</sup>) (At Barnes)

Field 11/11/82 P.695/Chelmsford Chronicle 3/11/82 P.6/Essex Herald 30/10/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 1/11/82 P.77/Sportsman 30/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 31/10/82 P.4/Referee 29/10/82 P.6:

F: "This match, which, at the time of drawing, promised to be one of the most even in the first round, was played on Saturday on the ground of the latter, in very unpropitious weather. The Brentwood captain having won the toss, elected to play with the wind, and Barnes started the ball at 3.30. The visitors immediately showed their intention of making the most of the advantage which the wind gave them, and, after some fast play and good passing, Morice scored the first goal for Brentwood within the first ten minutes. Barnes, on this, rallied, and played well together, they brought the ball into close proximity to their opponents' goal, and just before half time Ibbs shot the ball through the Brentwood goal from the crush. The result at half time was a goal a-piece. On changing ends the Brentwood forwards did not play so well together, and allowed Barnes to menace their

goal;but the backs having kicked the ball out of danger,the forwards,by some good play,carried the ball to the other goal,when one of Evelyn's unerring shots proved successful.Immediately afterwards Brentwood placed a third goal to their credit,owing this also to Evelyn.Barnes,however,by a piece of smart play,especially on the part of the backs,scored another goal from hands,given close to the Brentwood goal,the ball going off the head of a Brentwood man from the free kick,through the posts.Finally,Morice,after a splendid and quite unaided run up,scored a fourth goal for Brentwood, who at the call of time,were the victors by four goals to two.All played up well,the back play of Guy for Barnes being as usual especially noticeable;Ibbs and Jones,and the goalkeeper,also played well for the same side.For the victors Morice and Evelyn were conspicuous going forward,while Rumball and Muriel worked hard.In spite of the bad weather,the ground played very well."

CC/FWR:"This match was played at Barnes on Saturday,in miserable weather.Nickisson won the toss and chose to take advantage of the wind during the earlier part of the game.Soon after starting a neat run down gave Morice an opening,and the first goal was scored for the visitors.The Barnes goalkeeper during this period of the game played splendidly,and again and again saved his charge,and the home team getting a throw-in rushed a goal out of a scrimmage,Heatley having twice thrown out.Half time was then called with one goal all.Upon restarting both teams played up very hard,and Evelyn, with a grand shot,scored again for the visitors,and soon after this player,who was in fine form,scored another point(3-1).With but a few minutes left to play,Barnes made strenuous efforts,and hands being given in front of goal against Brentwood,the home team had a free kick,which one of the opposing forwards,in trying to turn aside,had the misfortune to head through his own goal(3-2).The greatest excitement then prevailed,but Morice getting possession,and fairly out-running all the backs scored again for Brentwood,who were thus left the winners by four goals to two after a capital game.For Brentwood,besides those mentioned above,Rumball,White,Oakley, and Moore played especially well,and Guy,Freeman,Bates,and Ibbs were most prominent for Barnes."

SM:"This match was played at Barnes in miserable weather on Saturday,and a splendidly-contested game ended in favour of Brentwood by four goals to two.The goals for Brentwood were kicked by Evelyn(two) and Morice(two),and for Barnes by Ibbs(one) and one off a Brentwood forward."

SL:"This match was played at Barnes,in miserable weather,when a well-contested game ended in favour of Brentwood by four goals to two.The goals for Brentwood were kicked by Evelyn and Morice(two apiece),and for Barnes by Ibbs,the other one being obtained by rebounding off a Brentwood forward."

Barnes :J.H.Wilson(Goal),H.Guy,E.Carlisle(Backs),J.P.Muspratt,C.Brandon(Half Backs);  
C.R.Freeman(Capt.),T.O.Jones(Rights),P.C.Bates,R.S.Ibbs(Centres),A.Freeman,L.G.Webb(Lefts).

Brentwood:A.E.Heatley(Goal);C.J.S.Moore,T.H.White(Backs);J.L.Nickisson(Capt.),F.P.Oakley  
(Half Backs),W.S.Morice,G.E.Muriel(Rights),E.C.Evelyn,H.M.Rumball(Centres),F.J.Abbott,  
B.H.S.Barnes(Lefts).

Umpires:W.Smith for Barnes and E.L.Heatley for Brentwood.Referee:F.A.Clark(Pilgrims).

ROCHESTER 2(C.R.Jones,A.Henry) HOTSPUR 0 (H.T. 1-0)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(At Rochester)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.85/86/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/(Not in Bell's Life)/Field 11/11/82 P.695/Referee 5/11/82 P.6:

CHECK FOR ROCHESTER AND CHATHAM PAPER (30/6/17 DOWNLOAD?)

FWR:"Played at Rochester on Saturday last,and won by the home team by two goals(Jones and A.Henry) to none.It was soon evident that the two teams were pretty evenly matched,and that the game would be a fast one.The 'Spurs at once ran the ball down into their opponents' territory,and made a good attack on their goal,but it was well saved by Ernest Prall,who played well throughout. G.W.Prall,after a good run,passed to Henry,and all the forwards backing up well a combined rush was made,and by some splendid passing the first goal was obtained for Rochester,Jones giving the final kick.Nothing further occurred until after half time.With the wind and the hill behind them the R.F.C. had a lot the best of it,and had it not been for the rattling good back play of Kay,and the sharpness and coolness of Clark in goal,the Hotspur would have lost many more goals.About this time the two Suttons and Carr made a determined attack on the Rochester goal,and narrowly escaped scoring;soon after Prall and Henry had a good run down,and the latter kicked the second goal for his side.No alteration in the score had occurred when time was called.The passing of the Rochester forwards was exceedingly good,and the kicking of Thomas and Smith splendid.For the 'Spurs,besides those mentioned,Roberts and Gaynor were most conspicuous,but all worked very hard."

SM/SL:"Played on Saturday at Rochester,and resulted in a victory for the home eleven by two goals(kicked by Jones and A.Henry) to none."

F:"Played at Rochester,and after a fast game the home team were declared winners by two goals(Jones and A.Henry) to none.For the Hotspur,Kay,the two Suttons,Carr,and Clark(in goal) did their utmost to avert defeat;while for their opponents the forwards all played well,passing most unselfishly;and Smith and Thomas were in good kicking form,and Ernest Prall saved some good shots in goal."

Rochester:E.F.Prall(Goal),F.F.Smith,H.G.Thomas(Backs),E.Cooper,F.Wyles(Half Backs), G.W.Prall(Capt.),A.Henry,S.Henry,C.R.Jones,E.Stedman,Hope(Forwards).

(AFS has last forward as Lake for Hope :have added AFS initials)(SM/SL are missing last forward)

Hotspur:Clark(Goal);J.T.Gaymer,G.Dowie(Backs);W.(J.)Roberts,J.Kay(Capt.)(Half Backs); +F.English,J.Sutton,C.Sutton,J.Rees,S.R.Carr,W.Winter(Forwards).

+E.English?

OLD ETONIANS 1 (H.Whitfeld) OLD FORESTERS 1(R.C.Guy) (H.T. 1-0)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(At Aldin House,Slough:not at Kennington Oval,as previously announced)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.85/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11/Morning Post 20/11/82 P.2/Berkshire Chronicle 11/11/82 P.2/Windsor & Eton Express 11/11/82 P.4/Field 11/11/82 P.695:

FWR/F:"This,the first tie for the English Association Cup,was played at Aldin House,Slough,on Saturday last.The Old Etonians it will be remembered are the present holders of the Cup for the last

season, while the Old Foresters were not far behind in the same competition. Although there was a strong wind blowing straight down the ground, with an occasional shower, both teams played in good form, the Etonians perhaps appearing hardly as much in condition as their opponents. At about three o'clock the Old Foresters, losing the toss kicked off, having the wind and hill against them. For some time the ball was kept in close proximity to the lower goal, and Fairclough with his backs had great cause for uneasiness. At length, however, the Foresters, by some good passing on the part of Matthews and Mills, were able to make their way, and the ball was carried up into the Eton quarter, but the fine kicking of Paravicini and French, aided by the strong wind, again gave the Old Foresters' backs a great deal of work. During this time Eton had a great many shots, but Fairclough each time managed to save his charge. In spite of the strong wind against them the Old Foresters made a very stubborn resistance, and it was not till after nearly twenty-five minutes that Eton was enabled to score, Whitfeld kicking the goal from a good middle. Soon after this the Old Foresters had to undergo a still greater misfortune, for Johnson, who had been playing half back in fine form throughout, now met with an accident, and had to leave the ground. With only ten men they still managed to keep their opponents at bay, and nothing further was scored up to half time. On changing sides the Etonians now had to play against the wind, but so well did they pass, that they nearly succeeded in adding to their score, Chevallier taking the ball right up the ground, being well backed up by Goodhart and Dunn. Nothing of importance took place except exchange of shots on either side until a few minutes before time, when C. Horner, after a splendid run, middled the ball to Guy, who put it through, thus making matters even. Both sides now strained every nerve to improve their position, but each attempt proved fruitless, and thus the match ended in a draw one goal each. For Old Etonians, Chevallier and Whitfeld forward, with Foley and Kinnaird back, kicked with great accuracy. For Old Foresters all worked hard, Elmslie and Sewell back being most conspicuous, while the goal-keeping of Fairclough was magnificent."

BC: "On Saturday the above clubs met at Aldin House Ground, Slough, to play the first round in the English Cup ties. The day was cold and a strong wind blowing downhill towards Slough. For the first quarter of an hour the Old Etonians had much the better of the game, having the wind in their favour, and Anderson obtained the first goal for the Etonians. The game then became very fast, and nothing more was scored by either side until just before time was called when the Old Foresters obtained a goal, thus this well contested match resulted in a tie, both sides getting a goal. For the Old Etonians, Anderson, Chevallier, and Rawlinson played best, whilst Fairclough, Guy, and Johnson did good service for the Old Foresters."

Old Etonians: J. F. P. Rawlinson (Goal), T. H. French, P. J. de Paravicini (Backs), C. W. Foley, Hon. A. F. Kinnaird (Half Backs), W. J. Anderson, J. B. T. Chevalier, H. C. Goodhart, A. T. B. Dunn, P. C. Novelli, H. Whitfeld (Forwards).

N.B. J. P. Hawtrey (goalkeeper) listed in FWR/F is also listed in FWR/F as playing for Swifts on same day so obvious error. He played for O.E's the previous Saturday against Clapham Rovers in the London Association Cup.

Old Foresters: P. Fairclough (Capt.) (Goal), F. W. Sewell, E. A. Elmslie (Backs), R. B. Johnson, F. L. Woolley (Half Backs), G. C. Mills, C. J. Horner, B. J. W. Grieve, J. H. Matthews, R. W. Burrows, R. C. Guy (Centres) (Forwards).

W&EE has B. J. Burrows

Umpires:R.D.Anderson,Old Etonians and J.W.(W.)Guy,Old Foresters.Referee:H.R.Hewett(Great Marlow).

REPLAY:Sat Nov 18<sup>th</sup>:

OLD FORESTERS 1 (H.Knowles) OLD ETONIANS 3 (H.C.Goodhart,W.J.Anderson,A.T.B.Dunn)(H.T. 1-3)  
(At Forest School Grounds,Walthamstow)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 22/11/82 P.118/Bell's Life 25/11/82 P.3/Sportsman 20/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 21/11/82 P.4/Referee 19/11/82 P.6:

FWR:"These clubs met on Saturday at Walthamstow to play their undecided tie in the first round, having played a drawn game,one goal each,at their previous meeting.The ground was very slippery from the effect of the frost,while a late commencement rendered it necessary to play long after the light had failed.The Foresters won the toss and elected to play uphill.The Etonians were soon acting on the aggressive,and,from a slight scrimmage,Goodhart obtained the first score,only six minutes from the start.Anderson shortly afterwards obtained a second through a mis-kick by Elmslie,while ten minutes before half time,Dunn scored a third from a clever pass by Anderson.After this the game was very even,and the Foresters obtaining a goal,Knowles doing the needful,having received the ball after a fine run by Mills.Half time was called as the Etonians were about to take a "corner",and after changing ends the game was well contested,the visitors,if anything,having the best of it.Dunn, Goodhart,Chevallier,and Foley played well for the winners,as did Mills,Woolley,and the backs,for the Foresters."

SL:"These clubs,who played a drawn game at Slough,on the 4<sup>th</sup> inst.,met on the Forest School Ground,at Walthamstow,on Saturday last,to decide who should enter the second round.The good play of the Foresters on the previous occasion led many to estimate their chances highly for Saturday.They were though,unfortunate in losing the services of Johnson and R.C.(Guy)of their team for the first match,and the Old Etonians had the best of the game.Play did not begin until far too late,and as a consequence during the latter part of the match it was hardly possible to see the ball.The ground,too,was very slippery,and this materially interfered with the pace of the game.The Foresters,winning the toss,chose to play up-hill,but the Eton forwards were soon at work,and before five minutes had elapsed,Goodhart was able to secure the reduction of the Forest goal.The home team were still compelled to act on the defensive,and a few minutes later a miskick by one of the (Eton) backs enabled Anderson to make the second point for the Etonians.Nothing more was scored until within ten minutes of half-time when Dunn gave Eton their third point.After this the Foresters rallied,and,after a neat run by Mills,Knowles credited them with a well-earned goal.The second half was well contested,though the advantage still rested with the Etonians.They were unable,though,to add to their score,and the game thus terminated in their favour by three goals to one."

F:"The Etonians,who,owing to the foggy state of the weather,turned up half an hour late,brought down the same team that played at Slough a fortnight before;while the Old Foresters were, unfortunately,deprived of the services of R.B.Johnson at half-back,and R.C.Guy,centre.The ball was started by the Old Etonians at about 3.30,from the School end.For the opening few minutes Eton seemed to have matters entirely in their own hands,a goal being got by Goodhart after the first six minutes,which was shortly followed by another from Anderson,the Foresters back slipping just at the critical moment.This seemed to stir up the energies of the home team,and they began,by some

good passing by Grieve and Mills, to work the ball up towards their visitors' goal, but with no result. Owing to the sharp frost of the previous night, and the thaw during the day, the ground was in a very greasy condition, and consequently the game was not so fast as on the first occasion. In spite of the advantage gained by the Old Etonians, the Old Foresters worked hard to retrieve their lost ground, but fortune again favoured the visitors, and Dunn gained the third goal for his side. Still the Old Foresters worked hard, and at last, by a good middle by Matthews, Knowles succeeded in getting the ball between the posts, amidst the deafening cheers of the present Foresters. This success was nearly repeated on more than one occasion, but Rawlinson (in goal) and Paravicini (back) were too much for their opponents. Half-time being called, the Old Foresters now began to act on the offensive, and some good runs were made by Mills, Horner, and Woolley, but Kinnaird, who throughout had been exhibiting some of his well-known "ancient" form, each time frustrated their attempts. Nothing further was scored, although there were some very close shots on both sides, and when time was called, the Old Etonians were left victors by three goals to one. Owing to the visitors arriving so late, it was agreed to play for one hour and twenty minutes instead of the usual hour and a half. Notwithstanding this alteration in the duration of the game, darkness had set in twenty minutes before the call of time, and it was quite impossible for the umpires to perceive the whereabouts of the players. For the Etonians (while it was light), Chevallier, Goodhart, and Paravicini played best, but during the darkness Kinnaird's kicking shone out especially. For the Old Foresters, Grieve, Mills, and Matthews, forward, and Woolley, at half back, showed some fine form, while Sewell was a tower of strength to his side."

Old Foresters: P. Fairclough (Goal), F. W. Sewell, E. A. Elmslie (Backs), C. J. Fox, F. L. Woolley, (Half Backs), G. C. Mills, J. H. Matthews, H. Knowles, B. J. W. Greive, R. W. Burrows, C. J. Horner (Forwards).

Old Etonians: J. F. P. Rawlinson (Goal), T. H. French, P. J. de Paravicini (Backs), Hon. A. F. Kinnaird, C. W. Foley (Half Backs), H. Whitfeld, P. C. Novelli, H. C. Goodhart, J. T. B. Chevalier, A. T. B. Dunn, W. J. Anderson (Forwards).

Umpires: E. H. Bambridge (Swifts) and J. W. M. Guy (Old Foresters). Referee: N. L. Jackson, Hon. Sec. London Association.

SWIFTS 4 (E. C. Bambridge 2, E. M. Hawtrej, P. C. Parr) UNION (HIGHBURY) 1 (S. W. Poulton) (Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) (H. T. 1-0) (At the Dolphin, Slough)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P. 86/Windsor & Eton Express 11/11/82 P. 4/Bell's Life 11/11/82 P. 11/Sportsman 6/11/82 P. 4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P. 4/Field 11/11/82 P. 695:

FWR: "This match was played on Saturday at the Dolphin, Slough. The Swifts won the toss, and played with the wind and the hill in their favour. Owing, however, to the strong defence of the Union backs they only succeeded in obtaining one goal, that being secured by a fine shot by E. C. Bambridge. Directly after the change of ends the same player scored another. Then Hawtrej and Parr succeeded in adding to the score of the Swifts. Union then placed the only goal to their credit after a good run down by Poulton and Brown, the former doing the needful. For the victors E. C. and A. L. Bambridge, Parr, and Wells-Cole were conspicuous, and J. E. Macfarlane, J. A. (Roland), L. Clark, and S. W. Poulton played the best for the Union."

SM: "This match was played on Saturday at the Dolphin, Slough. The Swifts won the toss, and kicked with the wind in their favour, and after about a quarter of an hour's play the Swifts scored a goal. No other advantage was secured by either side up to "change", soon after which, notwithstanding the strong wind, the Swifts seemed to have matters all their own way and scored three more goals. Just before time, however, the visitors pulled themselves together and made an excellent run down, and secured a goal. Nothing more was scored on either side. Thus the Swifts were left victorious by four goals to one. For the home team, Parr, W.S. Bambridge, Cole, and E. Hawtrey did good service, and Smith and Webster played best for the Highbury."

F: "This match was played on Saturday, at Slough, and resulted in a win for the Swifts by four goals to one. E.C. Bambridge won the toss, and elected to play with the hill and wind in his favour. Owing, however, to the strong defence of the Union backs, the Swifts only succeeded in scoring one goal before half time. Directly on change of ends the Swifts scored another, E.C. Bambridge administering the final touch. E.M.C. Hawtrey then scored, the Union goalkeeper muffing the ball, then P.C. Parr, by a good side shot, scored the fourth and last goal for the Swifts. Roused by these repeated reverses, the Union forwards pulling themselves together, and after some good passing by Poulton and Brown, the former succeeded in scoring a few minutes before time. E.C. Bambridge, W.S. Bambridge, P.C. Parr, were most conspicuous for the Swifts, whilst J.E. McFarlane, J.A. Ronald, L. Clark, and Poulton played best for Union."

Swifts: J.P. Hawtrey (Goal); G.F. Wells-Cole, H. Nicholls (Backs); A.L. Bambridge, R.W. Thorpe (Half Backs); E.M. Hawtrey, F. Humphrey (Rights), P.C. Parr, T.B. Hughes (Centres), E.C. Bambridge (Capt.), W.S. Bambridge (Lefts).

N.B. J.P. Hawtrey (goalkeeper) is also listed as playing for Old Etonians, also in Slough on the same day!!! (see above). He did play games for Old Etonians and also played for Remnants

Union: G.M. Smith (Goal), F. Webster (Capt.), J.E. Macfarlane (Backs), H.H. Mansfield, L. Clark, J.A. Ronald (Half Backs); S.W. Poulton, C.H. Browne (Rights), T. Thurlow (Centre), W. Webster, J. Goadby (Lefts).

UPTON PARK, a bye

SEVENTH DIVISION:

Etonian Ramblers v Romford

Pilgrims v Old Carthusians

Maidenhead v Old Westminster

Royal Engineers v Woodford Bridge

Reading, a bye

ETON RAMBLERS 6 (Not traced) ROMFORD 2 (C. Clark 2) (H.T. 3-1) (Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup>) (At Windsor Home Park)

Windsor & Eton Express 28/10/82 P.4/Chelmsford Chronicle 27/10/82 P.7 (Only Romford team)/Football A Weekly Record 25/10/82 P.54 (No detailed report)/Bell's Life 28/10/82 P.12 (No detailed report)/Essex Herald 23/10/82 P.8/Field 28/10/82 P.620/Sportsman 23/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 24/10/82 P.4:

CC/EH:"The match between Romford and the Eton Ramblers in the First Round of the Association Cup was played on Saturday,in wretched weather,in the Home Park at Windsor.The play was very fast and rough,and the home team having the best of it throughout,won by six goals to two.The goals for Romford were kicked by C.Clark."(Not found in Essex Times)

SM/W&EE:"On Saturday the above clubs met in the Windsor Home Park to play in the first round for the Association Cup(W&EE:"The afternoon was wet,rain falling during the whole time of the play,and the ground was in a very slippery state.").The Etonians won the toss,and kicked off for the first part of the game towards the South-Western Railway.The play for the first quarter of an hour was evenly contested,and after a scrimmage in front of the visitors' goal,the home team sent the ball through.The leather was again put in motion,and two more goals were quickly obtained by the Etonians,and just before half-time the Romfordites scored a goal.The visitors after the change soon got another goal,which seemed to put their opponents on their mettle,and from this stage of the game had it all their own way,and added three more goals to their credit.This left the Eton Ramblers victorious at the call of time by six goals to two."

FWR:"The Etonians won the toss,and kicked for the first part of the game towards the South-Western Railway."

Eton Ramblers:J.Howard,C.Wells,J.Wells,H.Hill,E.Gardner,J.Jeffries,  
E.Harrison,J.Neall,A.Kraeusslach,R.Wheeler,W.Weblin.

Not Webbin?

Romford:G.A.Smith(Goal),H.W.Palmer(Capt.),A.D.Cornell(Backs),C.Couzens,A.G.Martin(Half Backs),W.(W.)Wright,P.M.Earle,S.W.Skilton,C.S.Palmer,C.Clark,F.H.Thirlwall(Forwards).

Umpire:E.Carter

PILGRIMS 0 OLD CARTHUSIANS 6 (E.H.Parry 3,A.J.Last,W.R.Page,E.J.Wilson)(H.T. 0-2)(Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup>)(At Walthamstow)

Football A Weekly Record 25/10/82 P.54/Bell's Life 28/10/82 P.12/Field 28/10/82 P.620/Sportsman 24/10/82 P.4:

FWR:(Wrongly headed " Old Carthusians v Swifts):"As miserable a day as could well be imagined was Saturday last,and at about the most unpleasant part of the afternoon,when the rain was descending in torrents with just sufficient breeze to drive it unpleasantly about,this match in the first round was commenced on the Pilgrims' ground at Walthamstow.The Carthusians soon attacked the home goal, and a wonderful piece of "keeping" by Sweystone averted the threatened score,but only for a time, as from a fine throw-in by Colvin,Parry obtained the first goal for his side.Some clever dribbling by Page called forth the approbation of the spectators,but this player considerably discounts the effect of his cleverness by retaining possession of the ball too long.A good pass by Wilson enabled Last to score No. 2,and at half time the game stood at two to nothing in favour of the visitors.On resuming Page,by a splendid screw shot,effectuated the downfall of the Pilgrims' fortress for the third time,and then Parry,receiving the ball after a good run by Page,scored a fourth goal.An easy shot by Wilson was "muffed" by the goalkeeper,probably owing to the wet state of the ball,and No. 5 was thus placed to the credit of the victors,Parry making up the half dozen shortly afterwards.All the



Carthusian forwards played well.Colvin was in great form at half back.Vintcent appeared to still feel the effects of his last year's accident.Norris kicked in his usual form.Lowther is also a good kick,but appeared rather deficient in tackling powers and once or twice missed the ball badly.For the Pilgrims Savill and Fry forward,and Young back,showed to most advantage."

SM:"This match,in the first round,was played on Saturday last on the Pilgrims' ground at Walthamstow,in a pouring rain.After ten minutes' play the Carthusians had a corner kick,which Swepstone cleverly saved.Then a long throw in by Colvin gave an opening to Parry,who kicked the first goal.A run by Bennett gave the Pilgrims a corner kick;then some fine passing by the Carthusian forwards resulted in a goal being kicked by A.J.Last.After half-time a splendid side shot by Page scored another.Parry and Wilson also kicked under,the ball being now in a fearfully greasy state. Some good passing by Leete,Fry,and Savill caused the Carthusian goalkeeper to handle the ball.A corner kick also fell to the Pilgrims,but the advantage was only momentary,for Parry took the sixth and last goal after a good run with Hansell.The winners all round played in their accustomed style,and could have accounted for a much stronger team than the Pilgrims.Page was rather selfish, but dribbled very closely.Lowther proved an acquisition to the backs.The goal-keeper, however, displayed a tendency to run out with the ball,for one of which freaks the Pilgrims had a free kick close to the goal posts.The losers were overmatched;however,Leete,Fry,and Savill played hard,and Young kicked very well.The score was heavier than it would have been if they had been pressed closely,but by making apparently an even game,the Carthusian forwards had opportunities for displaying their passing."

Carthusian Reprint P.203:"The O.C.'s played in their usual brilliant style,Page's dribbling being especially conspicuous."(Team given in same defensive positions but unspecifed forwards order different)"For the Pilgrims H.Savill(O.C.) did a lot of work."

Pilgrims:H.A.Swepstone(Capt.((Goal),M.E.Dovaston,E.A.Young(Backs),C.H.Last,C.R.Hodges(Half Backs), J.H.Bennett,A.Maund(Right),N.Leete,H.Savill(Centres),A.J.Secretan,W.E.Fry(Left).

Old Carthusians:C.P.Thompson(Goal),W.H.Norris,H.Lowther(Backs);E.G.Colvin,J.Vintcent (Half Backs), E.H.Parry(Capt.),W.E.Hansell(Right),R.L.Escombe,A.J.Last(Centres),W.R.Page, E.J.Wilson(Left).

Umpires:A.J.Wake(Old Carthusians/Sheffield) and C.E.Hart(Pilgrims).Referee:E.H.Bambridge(Swifts).

MAIDENHEAD 0 OLD WESTMINSTERS 2 (W.H.Bury,G.H.Alington)(H.T. 0-0)(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>)(At Maidenhead)

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Referee 5/11/82 P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.87/Morning Post 6/4/82 P.2/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Elizabethan Dec 1882 P.278:

REF:"This game in the first round of the English Association Cup ties was played today at Maidenhead.Maidenhead winning the toss,Bury kicked off,and the ball was soon in the home team's territory,a good shot by Jenner causing Lovegrove to use his hands to defend his charge.On the kick out Maidenhead retaliated,and Roller had also to use his hands for some time.The play was fairly even,though perhaps somewhat in favour of the old boys,each goal being menaced in turn,and when

half-time was called neither side had scored. On change of ends the play slackened somewhat, until out of a scrimmage in front of goal Bury scored first for his side. The home team tried hard to score, but the back play of Squire and Janson prevented any danger, though Hayward and Goodchild had a chance of scoring. About five minutes before call of time Allington scored, leaving the visitors victors by two goals to love."

SM/SL: "This tie in the first round was played on Saturday, at Maidenhead, the visitors winning by two goals (Bury and Allington) to none."

FWR: "Played at Maidenhead, the "old boys" winning by two goals (Bury and Alington) to none."

MP: "The play was very fast, and repeated incursions were made by either side into their rivals' territory, but up to half time no goal was kicked. Positions having been reversed Bury sent the ball between the posts out of a loose scrimmage, and a little before the close of the game Alington kicked a second goal." (No lineups)

ELIZ: "Bury and Alington kicked the only goals of the match."

Maidenhead: W.E. Lovegrove; A. Smith, J. Wilks; C.E. Reay, F. Hazeldine, +G. Green;  
A. Goodchild, W. Mackie, A. Hayward, W. Blackwell, G. Drewitt.

+Listed also as C.H. Green

Old Westminsters: F.D. Crowdy, W.W. Bury, W.F.G. Sandwith, E.H. Alington, A.C.W. Jenner,  
F.W. Bain, H.P. Robinson, C.W.R. Tepper, R.T. Squire, F.W. Janson, G. Roller (Goal). (ELIZ)

Umpires: Clark and Stephenson. Referee: J.H. Martin (Berks and Bucks Association).

ROYAL ENGINEERS 3 (E.M. Newman, W.H. Stafford, R.B. Petrie) WOODFORD BRIDGE 1 (F. Bullard)  
(H.T. 2-1) (Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup>) (At Chatham)

Bell's Life 28/10/82 P.12/Field 28/10/82 P.620/London Daily News 23/10/82 P.3/Sporting Life  
24/10/82 P.4/Referee 22/10/82 P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 25/10/82 P.55/Essex  
Herald 23/10/82 P.8/Chelmsford Chronicle 27/10/82 P.7:

BL: "This match was played at Chatham on Saturday last, and resulted in a victory for the home team by three goals to one. These were obtained by Newman, Stafford, and Petrie for the Engineers, and Bullard for Woodford. The match was very one-sided the Sappers having a considerable advantage all through."

F: "This match, one in the first round of the Association Challenge Cup, was played at Chatham, on Saturday, Oct 21, and resulted in an easy victory for the former by three goals to one. Within five minutes of the commencement of play, Woodford Bridge secured their first, and as it subsequently proved, their only goal; after this the Sappers played better together, and were not long in getting two goals, but, in spite of frequent shots, were unable to increase their score up to half-time. On change of ends, the Engineers playing with the wind, soon obtained a third goal, and were declared victors by three to one."

SL: "This match in the first ties was played at Chatham on Saturday and resulted in a victory for the Engineers by three goals to one goal. The goals were kicked by Newman, Stafford, and Petrie for the Engineers, and by Bullard for Woodford. The match was very one-sided, and but for the wind the Engineers' total would probably have been largely increased."

Royal Engineers : C.A.R. Browne (Goal); H.N.L. Dumbleton (Back); R.M. Ruck, F.V. Jeffries, C.B. Mayne (Half Backs), H.H. Barnet, H.H. Van Straubenzie (Right), W.F.H. Stafford, H.B. Roberts (Centres), E.M. Newman, R.B. Petrie (Left).

(Jeffries or Jeffreys) (CHECK RE LIBRARY)

Woodford Bridge: A. Kennerley (Goal); +W. Wood, J. Sheldon (Backs); F. Robilliard, R. Smith (Half Backs); J. Warren, F. Bullard (Right), T. Ide, A. Hants (Centres), W.M. Wood, T.M. Wood (Left).

+Could be J. Wood or Ward. Kennedy?

NEED WOODFORD PAPER TO CHECK TEAM

READING, a bye

EIGHTH DIVISION:

Hornchurch v Great Marlow

West End v Hendon

Dreadnought v South Reading

Reading Minster v Remnants

Chatham, a bye

HORNCHURCH 0 GREAT MARLOW 2 (R.A. Lunnon, R.H. Lunnon) (H.T. 0-2) (Sat Oct 28<sup>th</sup>) ("In the Park at Grey Towers", Hornchurch)

Chelmsford Chronicle 3/11/82 P.6/Essex Herald 30/10/82 P.7/Sportsman 31/10/82 P.4/Field 4/11/82 P.659/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 1/11/82 P.77 (No full report):

CC/EH: "Although only established last season, the Hornchurch Football Club courageously entered this season for the contest for the Association Cup. It was drawn in the first round against a rather strong opponent in the Great Marlow Club. The match to decide the tie was played on Saturday afternoon in the park at Grey Towers, Hornchurch. The weather was most distressing. Rain fell throughout, a strong wind was blowing, and the ground was very slippery. The home team played with plenty of dash and determination, but they were overmatched, and although they several times carried the fight into their opponents' territory, they could never maintain it there long, and did not obtain a single shot at the goal. The visitors played well together, their passing being especially noticeable, and although they only obtained two goals, they pressed the home team very severely, and narrowly escaped scoring several times. During the first half the visitors had the advantage of the ground, and immediately on the ball being set in motion they worked it down into the vicinity of the home goal. A dangerous shot was well stopped by Stratford, but very shortly afterwards a well-judged shot by R.A. Lunnon passed between the posts. The goal, however, would no doubt have been disallowed had offside been claimed at the time, but the ball was set in motion again before the point was raised, and the goal was therefore allowed. For some time after this the

home team were closely penned until the forwards succeeded in carrying the ball up on the left in the neighbourhood of the visitors' goal. It was soon worked back again, however, and a second goal was kicked by R.H. Lunnon. Though the home goal was repeatedly threatened, no more goals were secured in the first half. On changing ends the home team made determined efforts to score, and made several incursions into their opponents' territory, but they were unable to get within easy range of the goal. On the other hand the visitors were several times near scoring and the Hornchurch backs and goalkeeper had plenty of work to do. All the shots made, however, failed, and at the call of time the visitors were victorious by two goals only to love. For Great Marlow R.A. Lunnon made some fine runs, and R.H. Lunnon, J. Bailey, W. Milward, and Flint, also played well. Among the Hornchurch forwards Hollingbury and Oliver were most noticeable, while the back play of Rowe was very fine and J.M. Abbott worked vigorously and well. Their play saved the home goal many times."

SM/FWR: "This tie was played at Hornchurch last Saturday, and resulted in favour of Great Marlow by two goals to love."

Hornchurch: F.A. Stratford (Goal); J.M. Abbott (Capt.), C.S. Gooch, C.H. Ro(w)e (Backs), J.G. Hamilton, D. Cobb (Half Backs), R. Oliver, Cliff Gooch (Right Wing), E.A. Hollingbury (Centre), A. Wheatley, A. Gooch (Left Wing).

F/REF have C.H. Roe

Great Marlow: H.R. Hewett (Capt.) (Goal), F. Speller, R. Way (Backs), A. Plumridge, J. Flint, T. Walker (Half Backs), R.A. Lunnon, J. Bailey (Right Wing), R. Shaw (Centre), R.H. Lunnon, W. Milward (Left Wing).

(CC/EH have backs as half backs and vice versa).

Umpires: E. Champness for Hornchurch and F. Plumridge for Great Marlow.

Referee: Norman Logan (Upton Park).

WEST END 1 (O.H. Cooper) HENDON 3 (P.H. Morton, A.B. Coutts, R.F. Mayhew) (H.T. 1-0)  
(Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) (At Wormholt Farm, Shepherd's Bush)

Field 11/11/82 P.695/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4/Referee 5/11/82  
P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.87 (No full report):

N.B. Nothing in Hendon & Finchley Times

F: "The above Association Cup match, in the first round, came off on Saturday, at Wormholt Farm, Shepherd's Bush, and, after a pleasant and interesting game, resulted in favour of Hendon by three goals to one. A fair afternoon, and the ground in good condition, enabled many hundreds of spectators to be present, amongst whom could be seen a fair sprinkling of ladies. West End winning the toss, chose to play with the high wind in their favour for the first half, and immediately attacked the visitors' goal, Cooper and Foster being most prominent. After a quarter of an hour's hard defence the visitors, with the aid of the Redford brothers and Morton, took the ball well down against the wind, and were nearly scoring, but Scott got the ball away. A good piece of passing on the part of the West End forwards here took place, and Cooper, with the aid of Elmslie, secured their first and only goal for their side. Several corner kicks in favour of West End during the first half came to nothing, owing to the cool defence of the Hendon backs and goalkeeper. Ends being changed, Scott and

Houghton, helped by Endall, had hard work to prevent the visitors scoring, but Morton was not to be denied, as from a long shot he soon made matters equal. Here the West End forwards were working hard, and several times nearly lowered the Hendon colours, their passing being unselfish. Again the Hendon got the ball away, and after some good defence of the West End backs, Coutts got a lucky goal, owing to a very careless piece of goalkeeping by Laphorn. The play towards the latter part of the game now became rather rough, and one foul the umpires most certainly ought to have given, as a more decided one could not have been committed; but as they both agreed the referee had no voice in the matter. Shortly before time the Hendon worked the ball down, and Mayhew, by a long shot, scored a goal. The game thus ended in favour of Hendon. No correct opinion as to any individual player can be given, as the wind was too high for any certainty as to where the ball was going. The tackling of the backs on both sides was at times good."

SL/SM: "Played at Wormholt Farm, Shepherd's Bush, on Saturday, and won by Hendon by three goals to one goal. The individual play of both teams was good throughout, the backs of each showing capital form."

REF: "The above match was played to-day (Saturday) at Wormholt Farm, Shepherd's Bush, and was won by Hendon by three goals to one. The weather was fine, and the ground capital going, with a strong wind blowing from goal to goal. The game was not so one-sided as the result would appear but was very even and fast throughout, the home team having very hard lines during the first half, being within an ace of scoring several times. Scott won the toss and elected to take the wind. The ball was started at a quarter past three and Cooper at once took it down, but was stopped by Wilson, who sent it to Morton, the latter making a pretty run, but was checked by Houghton. The home team now pressed their opponents hard, which brought out some fine play on the part of R. Redford, who played a splendid game all through, till Foster got possession, and taking the ball down made his shot, but the goal-keeper was all there and threw the ball out of danger. Shortly after West End gained a corner from a throw in by Houghton, but the ball went behind. The visitors for the next ten minutes played a capital game, but never had a chance of scoring. After twenty minutes' play Elmslie made a good run, and centring to Cooper, the latter put the ball through. Till half-time the play of both teams was very good, though Elmslie had an easy chance of scoring but sent the ball just over the tape. Ends changed, Hendon soon brought the ball down, but the splendid back play of Scott, Endall, and Houghton defeated all attempts to score till Morton, by a capital run, took the ball down, and finishing with a hard shot sent the leather just under the tape. Game one and one. West End for some time played well together, both wings making some pretty runs causing Redford to handle the ball several times, but could not score. Shortly after, from a long shot by Coutts, which was badly missed by Laphorn, the ball rolled through; second goal for Hendon. The home team tried hard to equalise matters, the forwards passing well, but the back play of Hotham and Wilson was too good for them, when just before time Mayhew, by a rattling side shot, sent the ball just inside the post, thus leaving Hendon the victors by three goals to one. The individual play of both teams was good throughout, the backs of each division showing capital form."

FWR: "Played at Wormholt Farm, Shepherd's Bush, on Saturday, and won by Hendon by three goals to one."

West End: J. Laphorn (Goal), J. G. Scott (Capt.), F. Endall (Backs), T. Houghton, R. A. Palmer (Half Backs), O. H. Cooper, D. Foster, F. Ebbelwhite, A. A. Edwards, J. Steele, F. Elmslie (Forwards).

Hendon:H.Redford(Goal),F.W.Hotham,C.P.Wilson(Backs),R.H.B.Redford(Capt.),A.V.Despard(Half Backs),R.F.Mayhew,A.B.Coutts(Right),A.Redford,H.C.Clarkson(Centres),P.H.Morton,S.G.Wiseman (Left).

J.G.Wiseman?

Umpires:J.Dickinson(West End) and J.S.Gibson(Cleveland Association) for Hendon.

Referee:E.H.Bambridge(Swifts).

DREADNOUGHT 1(W.F.Pettigrew) SOUTH READING 2 (J.C.Allen 2) (H.T.0-1)(Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup>)(At West Ham Park,Stratford)

Football A Weekly Record 25/10/82 P.55/Field 28/10/82 P.620/Reading Observer 28/10/82 P.8(Only SR team)/Bell's Life 28/10/82 P.12/Sportsman 23/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 24/10/82 P.4/Referee 22/10/83 P.6:

FWR:"This tie was played on the ground of the former at West Ham Park,Stratford,on Saturday last. Play commenced at a quarter past four and the game was concluded in total darkness.Each side got a score,Allan making one for Reading,while Pettigrew obtained that for the Dreadnoughts.Later on Reading got another goal,as did their opponents,but the latter was disallowed on the plea of offside. South Reading thus won by two goals to one.The losers have lodged a protest,which will be considered at the next meeting of the Committee of the Association"(Replay ordered :see replay report below)

F:"This match,in the first round of the English Challenge Cup,was played at West Ham Park,on Saturday last under most unfavourable conditions,rain having fallen all day,and owing to the late arrival of the South Reading team the game did not commence until 4.15,terminating at 5.45. Consequently,during the last half hour almost total darkness prevented the players from distinguishing their own men or seeing the ball.Play was,however,remarkably fast throughout.The home team appeared to press their opponents during the first part of the game,notwithstanding the determined rushes of the Reading forwards,who twice just missed the desired result.Some good all round play was shown,the Reading men passing and playing remarkably well together,whereas Pettigrew,Harrison,and Cleworth were working energetically for the Dreadnoughts.The last-named, by a fine run along the right wing,middled to the centre,and Ringrose,by a splendid shot,sent the ball spinning between the posts;but the goal was disallowed on the score of off side,the decision of the referee causing much surprise amongst the lookers on.Reading shortly afterwards scored from the foot of Allen.The Dreadnoughts now played up,determined to score and they were soon rewarded by Pettigrew equalising matters.A second goal was kicked for the visitors by Allen about fifteen minutes before time was called;but for the darkness,this would in all probability have been saved by Bacon,who did his best under the circumstances.The match was thus decided in favour of the South Reading by two goals to one.The Dreadnoughts have lodged a protest,claiming that the match shall be played over again,because of the decision of the referee in the disallowed goal kicked by them."

RO:"South Reading,who won the choice of goals,soon made several fine runs,and in the finishing shot for two of these the ball hit the tape,but in both cases passed over.They shortly after got possession of the leather,and by a capital exhibition of passing,eluded their opponents' backs,Allen finishing up by a capital shot,which the goal keeper failed to stop.Retaliating,the Dreadnought

forwards now played up with the greatest vigour, their passing about this time being excellent. Harrison (one of their half-backs) at the end of a pretty run on the left, centred to Webber, who passed the ball under the tape. Upon appeal, however, the referee decided that the man was "off-side". At the change of ends both sides worked with the greatest energy, and the game was simply a series of runs, either side having the advantage alternately. By judicious passing, however, the Dreadnought forwards ran through the visitors' backs, and a capital chance was given to Pettigrew, of which he availed himself, scoring a goal for his side by a neat low shot. Not to be denied, Reading played up with great determination, and Allen at the end of a pretty piece of combined play, again succeeded in lowering the Dreadnought fortress, and Milsom was within an ace of doing so a little later on. No further score was registered, the game thus ending in favour of South Reading by two goals to one."

BL: "This tie was played on the ground of the first-named at West Ham Park, and resulted, after a very closely contested game, in the victory of the country club by two goals to one. During the first part of the game a goal was scored by each side, and close upon the call of time, in almost total darkness, a lucky shot resulted in favour of the visitors. Great dissatisfaction was expressed at more than one decision of the referee." (No teams)

Field 4/11/82 P.659: "At a committee meeting of the Football Association it was decided that this match should be again played to-day (Saturday)."

Dreadnought : F.S. Bacon (Goal), W.H. Davis, H. Wood (Backs), T.W. Greenhill, W. Harrison (Half Backs); J. Wylie, F. Cleworth (Right), D. Ringrose, A. Webber (Left), + R. Duthie, W.F. Pettigrew (Centres).

+F has R. Duthie: all other reports have only 10 men.

South Reading: W. West (Goal), H. Harris, R. Hewitt (Backs), F. Haydon (Capt.), J.A. Danter (Half Backs); A. West, A. Johnson (Left), J.C. Allen, + J.P. Milsom (Right), Rev. J.E. Smith-Masters, J. Embery (Centres).

(J.P. Milsom in RO/F correct for J.P. Wilson in FWR/SL/SM/REF) C. Embery?

Umpires: J. Armstrong (Dreadnought) and C. Pinfold (South Reading). Referee: F. Barnett (Upton Park).

REPLAY: Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup>:

DREADNOUGHT 1 ("scrimmage") SOUTH READING 2 (J. Danter, R. Cooper) (H.T. 0-2) (At Forest Gate)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 8/11/82 P.87/Reading Observer 11/11/82 P.6 (Only SR team)/ (Not in Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11)/Sportsman 6/11/82 P.4 (No teams)/Sporting Life 7/11/82 P.4/:

FWR: "At Forest Gate on Saturday last, the South Reading met the Dreadnought again, the match played between them before being disallowed on an appeal by the Dreadnoughts that the latter part of the game was played in total darkness. The visitors won the spin up, and played with the wind in their favour. Danter, after about twenty minutes' play, sent in a fast high shot, which the Dreadnoughts' custodian failed to stop, and afterwards Cooper sent the ball through, scoring the second goal for the visitors. On ends being changed, Dreadnoughts had much the best of the game, but the Reading backs prevented disaster for some time, Haydon, the Reading captain, playing in grand form, but at length the home team scored a goal from a scrimmage in front. When time was called Reading had won by two goals to one, the same result as the preceding match. Wylie,

Pettigrew, and Harrison played best for the Dreadnoughts, and besides those mentioned for the visitors, Harris, Pinfold, and the two Wests played well."

RO: "These clubs met for the second time on Saturday to decide who should enter the second round of the Association Cup, the result being a repetition of the former victory for South Reading, who beat Dreadnought by two goals to one. The match was warmly contested throughout."

Dreadnought: F.S. Bacon (Goal), W.H. Davis, H. Wood (Backs), T.W. Greenhill, W. Harrison (Half Backs), J. Wylie (Capt.), F. Cleworth (Right), +R. Duthie, W.F. Pettigrew (Centres), D. Ringrose, A. Webber (Left).

+(R. Duthie or H. Duthie?)

South Reading: W. West (Goal), H. Harris, C.E. Pinfold (Backs), F. Haydon (Capt.), J.A. Danter (Half Backs); J.C. Allen, J.P. Milsom (Right), R. Cooper, J. Embery (Centre), A. Johnson, A. West (Left).

C. Embery?

Umpires: J. Armstrong (Dreadnought) and C. Johns (South Reading). Referee: F. Barnett (Upton Park).

READING MINSTER walked over REMNANTS scratched (Sporting Life 28/10/82 P.4).

CHATHAM, a bye

SECOND ROUND:

Bell's Life 11/11/82 P.11:

"The Second Ties were drawn at the offices of the Association, Paternoster-Row, last Tuesday evening. The first named club in each instance has choice of ground. The Round must be completed by December 2. The uncompleted matches in the First Round must be played off on or before November 18."

FIRST DIVISION:

Notts Forest v Sheffield Heeley

Sheffield Wednesday v Lockwood Brothers

Grimsby v Phoenix Bessemer

Notts County, a bye

NOTTS FOREST 7 (S.W. Widdowson 3, J. Fletcher 2, W. Parr, S.W. Earp)

SHEFFIELD HEELEY 2 (H. Winterbottom, S. Dodd) (H.T. 5-0) (Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>) (Trent Bridge Ground, Nottingham)

Nottingham Evening Post 4/12/82 P.4/Nottinghamshire Guardian 8/12/82 P.12/Nottingham Journal 4/12/82 P.4/Sheffield Daily Telegraph 4/12/82 P.4/Sheffield Independent 4/12/82 P.4/Athletic News 6/12/82 P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.156/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4/Field 9/12/82 P.843/Referee 3/12/82 P.6:

NEP/NG: "This match, one of the second round of ties in the English Association Challenge Cup Competition, was played at Trent Bridge Ground, Nottingham, on Saturday, in the presence of about



1,000 spectators. Heeley had not previously been beaten this season, and as they are also the present holders of the Sheffield Association Challenge Cup, a good game was sanguinely anticipated. The strong hoar frost on Friday night had made the ground very slippery, and falls were frequent during the first half of the game. Forest won the toss, and decided to defend the goal nearest to the new pavilion, and at a quarter to three the Heeley captain kicked off, there being very little wind to in any way affect the proceedings. Widdowson and Parr on the right carried the game into the visiting team's quarters, where the former player kicked over. Owing to the safe play of W. Moss the struggle was transferred to the other end of the ground, but though Sheffield had two throws-in not far of the Forest line, the defence of Hancock and Caborn was impenetrable. The game had not lasted five minutes, when by some excellent all round play, the ball was run down the field, Fletcher and Danks making a dribble, after which the latter passed to Parr, who transferred possession to Widdowson, the captain of the home team sending in a shot which scored. The ball was kicked off and a "foul" was given against Widdowson, but the "Reds" had all the best of the contest, some smart passing taking matters again near the Sheffield goal. One shot by Widdowson struck the crossbar, Unwin and Fletcher also being conspicuous for their exertions. Two throws in a few yards from the strangers' line came to nothing, and a good kick by Moss, followed up with some pretty passing on the right wing, aided the Yorkshiremen in taking the conflict to the other end of the ground. It only remained there two or three moments, for Widdowson, Parr, and Danks, made a fine run, the first-named kicking over the goal line. He repeated the operation soon afterwards, and from the kick-out the ball was brought back after some capital work on the part of Fletcher and Earp, the former sending in a shot which completely tricked the goalkeeper. After this second success the play was of a rather more even character for some minutes, W. Moss, on the one side and Hancock and Caborn, on the other, kicking well. At last another onslaught was made on the Heeley goal by the Nottingham left wings, and Earp middling in neat style, Widdowson tried to head the ball through the posts. The attempt was frustrated by the goalkeeper, but Parr quickly returned the leather, and scored the third point for his side. Fletcher had a very near escape of adding to the total immediately play was resumed, the ball going the wrong side of the post, and then the Sheffield men were to the front with a raid on the opposing goal. A run was effected on the Heeley left wing, Winterbottom concluding the attack with a good shot, which, however, Luntley was successful in handing away. This was the only time in the first portion of the game that the Forest stronghold was seriously menaced, for from this point up to the call of "half-time" the home team showed to decisive advantage. Earp sent in a shot which went just outside the post, and a third corner was quickly registered. Earp took the kick, but though it was resultless the same player came up and sent in a swift shot which gave the fourth goal to the Forest. From the kick off at the centre of the field Earp and Fletcher, by some passing on the left, once more carried the game to the Heeley end, and the ball being well centred, Widdowson, who was well up, kicked the ball through for the fifth time. The visitors tried to get away, but their efforts were thwarted by Caborn, the game being of an even nature until some work on the part of Billyeald gave possession to Widdowson, who was close on to the Heeley line. The Nottingham captain transferred it to Danks, who shot the ball past H. (N). Moss, but the goal was at once disallowed through the Forest centre-forward being off-side when he scored the point. With a balance of five goals against them Heeley played most manfully after the change of ends, and, if anything, had rather the better of the conflict during the second half. The Nottingham men kicked off, and Heeley were most persistent in their efforts, for, after the ball had been returned to the centre, W. Moss drove it back. Caborn missed his kick, and Unwin's endeavours to stop a rush by the Yorkshire forwards were fruitless, Knowlson and Winterbottom playing brilliantly. Luntley had twice to be active, and on each occasion got the ball

well away, but his opponents were down on him again, and Hobson passing to Winterbottom, and that player had no difficulty in registering the first goal for his side, this success of Heeley being greeted with impartial cheering. The Forest now showed a little more energy, and Hancock's long kicks, helped with dribbling and passing by Billyeald, Fletcher, Danks, and Widdowson, ended in Nottingham obtaining another corner. A rush on the Forest position was prevented from having a result by Luntley giving a corner kick, and, although this did not result in the goal being reduced, Heeley had a lot the best of the play. Billyeald sent the ball over the line, and Unwin returned it, from the kick off by an excellent dribble, centreing at the finish to Widdowson who shot the sixth goal, sending it out of the goalkeeper's reach. Luntley had next to handle and kick away, and W. Moss saved a rush down the field. Heeley followed up well, their passing being finished by Whittam sending the ball over the line. Another raid was at once conducted on the Forest goal, Luntley cleverly stopping a particularly good shot by Hobson, and a corner kick being conceded to Sheffield. Hancock and Billyeald first, and Parr, Widdowson and Fletcher afterwards, were instrumental in working it out of danger, a seventh goal from the foot of Fletcher being scored out of a short scrimmage in front of the Heeley posts. From now to the conclusion the visitors once more took the lead. Two or three attacks were now made on the "red" quarters, and Luntley gave a corner. Nothing issued from this advantage, but while the ball was still in the neighbourhood of the Nottinghamshire posts, a "foul" was given in favour of the Yorkshiremen. The free kick was taken by Tomlinson, who sent the ball back to Dodd, that player putting in a shot, which Luntley apparently allowed to go through unobstructed, under the impression that it had not touched a second player of either side, except the one who had taken the free kick (see SDT Report below). When "time" was called Nottingham Forest, who had been conceded four corner kicks, had won by seven goals to two, Heeley having had three corners given them. For the winners Hancock played very well at back, Billyeald was perhaps the best of the half-backs, while Fletcher, Parr, and Earp were the pick of the forwards. On the side of the losers, W. Moss was by far and away the most useful man, though Winterbottom, Tomlinson, Dodd, and Hobson worked hard."

SDT: "The leather was entrusted to Tomlinson, who, by a back kick, put it in the possession of Dodd, and the latter sent it flying through the posts, the goalkeeper apparently being of the opinion that it was going through unobstructed from the kick." (i.e. no goal could be scored direct from a free kick)

Notts Forest: W. Luntley (Goal), C. J. Caborn, W. T. Hancock (Backs), S. Norman, H. Billyeald, G. Unwin (Half Backs), W. Parr, S. W. Widdowson (Right Wing), R. Danks (Centre), S. W. Earp, J. Fletcher (Left Wing)

(NEP/NG/SDT/FWR)

(NJ/AN/SI/SL/SM/F/REF ALL have G. Unwin on Left Wing for J. Fletcher who takes his place at Half Back, BUT AS S. Fletcher) (According to NFCR George Unwin and Thomas Danks and W. Fletcher)

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Sheffield Heeley: H. N. Moss (Goal), W. Moss, T. Moss (Backs), T. A. Tomlinson, L. M' Loughlin, S. Dodd (Half Backs), H. Winterbottom, C. Knowlson (Right Wing), T. Sharman (Centre), H. Hobson, J. Whittam (Left Wing)

Umpires: J. Piggott, Derby for Notts Forest and J. Tomlinson for Sheffield Heeley.

Referee: J. C. Clegg (Vice-President, Sheffield Football Association)

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 6(G.Anthony,H.Newbould,R.Gregory 2,T.E.Cawley,W.H.Mosforth)  
LOCKWOOD BROTHERS 0 (H.T. 4-0)(Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>)(At Eccleshall Road)

Sheffield Daily Telegraph 4/12/82 P.4/Sheffield Independent 4/12/82 P.4/Athletic News 6/12/82  
P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.156/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life  
5/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4/Field 9/12/82 P.843:

N.B See SI Report below for scorers of 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> goals

SDT:"These teams met at Eccleshall Road on Saturday for the second round of the English Cup competition.In the first round Wednesday vanquished Spilsby by 12 goals to two and Lockwoods beat Macclesfield by four goals to three.Wednesday had the stronger team.H.Newbould had been substituted for Lawley on the left,and Cawley had taken a place on the right along with Anthony. Lockwoods were considerably weakened by the absence of \*Cutts and Harris,both being ill. Winterbottom and M'Loughlin also were absentees.Each side had partisans,although the betting was in favour of Wednesday,being 3 to 1.About 1,300 spectators were present to witness the contest.Play was commenced at a quarter to three.Wednesday kicked off up the hill from Sharrow vale,and Lockwoods from the road.Buttery commenced hostilities,and the Lockwoods' forwards bore down towards Wednesday's goal,which Malpas returned and Mosforth got possession,but he was also foiled by Buttery and the ball was taken in close proximity to the Wednesday goal. Wilkinson returned and Anthony reduced Lockwood's goal with a rattling shot amid loud cheers. Hudson and Malpas made some nice returns.A corner fell to Lockwoods and Houseley tried,but with no result.Buttery put in some lively work,and F.West ran the ball along the goal line.Mosforth made a dodging run,passing Wood and Rutherford,but Cutts opposed and wrested the ball from him.The ball travelled from end to end with great rapidity and Beard was called upon to handle and throw away several times.Rutherford further relieved his side by a long kick,and Stratford had a corner but nothing came of it.Sellars took the ball from Stacey's toe amid many jeers from the spectators(he evidently thinking there was a foul),but Malpas came to the rescue,and again the ball was taken into Lockwoods' territory,which was with difficulty got away,but the Wednesday forwards were not to be denied,and a corner falling to Wednesday,which Stratford placed in front,and Newbould headed through.Cawley made a capital long shot which Buttery put out of danger.The Lockwood forwards could make no headway against the capital play of Malpas,Hudson,and Stratford.West and Sellars took the ball down the field,only to be returned and put through in a scrimmage.Houseley kicked off,and the Wednesday forwards were again at the front.Buttery had the misfortune to kick out. Stratford had the corner,and so well did he place it,that another goal was registered.This reverse spurred the Lockwoodites,and after a run of even play in which Mosforth,Newbould,Cawley,and Gregory were conspicuous,for Wednesday,and West,Sellars,Buttery,and Housley for Lockwoods,half time was called.After the usual interlude,play was resumed,and Lockwoods began to play better uphill than they had played downhill.Mosforth made a splendid run,passing all his opponents,and finally scoring goal number five amid loud cheers.After a series of passing and repassing Gregory got possession and ran the ball right through,amid cries of "How many is up,"and "Play up,White Cross".Darkness now came on,and the play was hotly contested,although no further score was made,Wednesday being declared winners by six goals to nil.Mosforth played in his usual grand style.Gregory,Newbould,and Cawley rendered sufficient aid,while the palm of honours in the back division was carried off by Malpas,Stratford,Hudson,and Wilkinson.For Lockwoods,Houseley,

Buttery, and Sellars were the most prominent, and Wood, West, and Rutherford played well, but taken together they were manifestly weaker than their opponents."

\*C. Cutts as T. Cutts played

SI: "Three minutes later they obtained a third score, Gregory doing the needful, and in about three minutes more, Cawley registered the fourth goal."

SI: "Lockwoods had to put up with the loss of C. Cutts and Harris, their places being taken by (+Rutherford?) and Marshall" +Listed as Ruddiford

Sheffield Wednesday: H. Ledger (Goal), H. Wilkinson, W. H. Stacey (Backs), A. Malpas, J. Hudson, C. L. Stratford (Half Backs), T. E. Cawley, G. Anthony (Right Wing), R. Gregory (Centre), W. H. Mosforth, H. Newbould (Left Wing).

Lockwood Brothers: W. Beard (Goal), T. Buttery, J. + Rutherford (Backs), T. Cutts, J. Wood, J. Thorpe (Half Backs), J. Marshall, J. Beard, F. West, J. Sellars, J. Houseley (Forwards).

+Initials uncertain. +Ruddeford?

Umpires: H. Muscroft and W. Ward. Referee: C. Mills.

GRIMSBY TOWN 1 (H. Monument) PHOENIX BESSEMER 8 (D. Willey, F. W. Thomas, Six scorers unknown) (H. T. 1-4) (Sat Nov 25<sup>th</sup>) (At Cleethorpe Road, Grimsby)

Sheffield Independent 27/11/82 P.4/Sheffield Daily Telegraph 27/11/82/Leeds Mercury 27/11/82 P.7/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 29/11/82 P.140/Bell's Life 2/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 25/11/82 P.4 (No teams)/Sportsman 28/11/82 P.3:

FIND GRIMSBY PAPER

FWR: "The Yorkshiremen travelled to Grimsby on Saturday to meet the Town Club in the second round of the Association Challenge Cup ties. The visitors winning the toss, the ball was set in motion by Grimsby, and for the first fifteen minutes the game was of a very even character; then, from a corner well directed by Marples the ball was headed through the Grimsby goal by Willey. Very shortly after resuming, neat passing on the part of the visiting forwards was noticeable, and ultimately the ball was put through by F. W. Thomas. Several corner kicks were entrusted to Marples, all of which were admirably placed, and very soon two more goals were registered by the Phoenix Bessemer men. The Grimsby men played with great energy, but lacked combination; their captain, the Rev. J. Flowers, played magnificently, and just before half time they secured a goal. The second half of the match was very nearly a repetition of the first, and ultimately the Phoenix Bessemer won by eight goals to one. For the winners every man played well. For the losers the captain, Mr Flowers, and the goalkeeper, Mr Evans, played best."

SDT/LM: "A tie in the competition for this prize was played on Saturday between the Grimsby Town Club and the Phoenix Bessemer (Rotherham) on the ground of the former. The game was played under very favourable circumstances as to weather and general conditions, and resulted in Phoenix Bessemer scoring eight goals to Grimsby one. Shortly before the play terminated the captain of the Rotherham team (C. E. Thomas) sustained such an injury that he had to be carried off the ground. He

was kicked on the ankle by one of the opposing players, who was in the act of kicking at the ball. A doctor was summoned, and it turned out that the ankle was rather severely sprained."

Sl: "On Saturday, the Phoenix Bessemer (Rotherham) football players met the Grimsby Town Club in the second round of the ties for the English Challenge Cup. The match was played on the Grimsby Town Ground, Cleethorpe road, and although the day was bitterly cold, attracted a considerable number of spectators. The Rotherham players had matters pretty much their own way from the start. Their passing was admirable. Before half-time they had put on four goals to their antagonists one, and afterwards added another three, whilst the score of Grimsby Town, notwithstanding the most strenuous efforts, remained stationary. A couple of minutes or so before the close of the match, the Rotherham captain, C.E. Thomas, met a rather painful accident, but fortunately not so serious as one as was first reported. He was at the ball with R.C. Hall, one of the Grimsby half-backs, and both were trying the trick known as "chopping" when Hall's foot came down with great force on Thomas's ankle. It was at first feared that the bone had been broken, but a medical man stated that there was no damage beyond an awkward bruise."

Grimsby Town: W. Evans (Goal); Rev. J.F. Flowers (Capt.), J. Jackson (Backs); R.C. Hall, J.W. Warner (Half Backs); S. Noble, J. Tonge, H. Monument, A. Ousey, G. Marshall, R.C. Chapman (Forwards).

Phoenix Bessemer: A. Platts (Goal), W. Bone, J.T. Rawlin (Backs), C.E. Thomas (Capt.), B. Bennett, W. Cutts (Half Backs), A. Emmett, F.W. Thomas, D. Willey, G.B. Marples, C. Douglas (Forwards).

Umpires: D. Haigh (Hon Sec, Hallamshire Association) and W.T. Lamming (Hon Sec, Lincolnshire Association). Referee: R. Flowers (Brigg Grammar School).

NOTTS COUNTY, a bye

SECOND DIVISION:

Aston Unity v St George's Birmingham

Aston Villa v Wednesbury Old Athletic

Small Heath Alliance or Stafford Road v Walsall Town

ASTON UNITY 3 (Dyer, 2, J. Green) ST GEORGE'S, BIRMINGHAM 1 (Hodgetts) (H.T. 2-0) (Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>) (At Pickwick Cricket Ground, Camp Hill)

Birmingham Mail 4/12/82 P.2/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.157:

BM: "At the Pickwick Cricket Ground, Camp Hill. St George's won the toss, and decided to kick against the slope but with the wind. After alternate runs the Dragons made a goal-attack, but the Unity backs and goalkeeper averted the danger, and then the Unity in turn pressed their opponents, and Ashford centring well, enabled Dyer to obtain a good goal. The Dragons now played up well, and Hodgetts put in a shot which hit the goal-post, but rebounding was got away, and the Unity forwards attacking well, Dyer again scored. Ends were then changed, and a good run by the Unity looked dangerous, but St George's freed their lines, and soon after a good shot from Hodgetts obtained a goal. Both sides had good runs, but the Unity gradually gained the upper hand, and Wilson put in a hot shot which rebounded off Stansbie to Green, who promptly obtained a third goal. The rest of the play was in

favour of the Unity, who thus won by 3 goals to 1. The winners played very smartly all round, while Stansbie, Jones, Hodgetts, Harrison, and Milton did well for the St George's." (Only report found)

FWR: "These teams met at Camp Hill on Saturday, in cold frosty weather. When time was called the Unity were hailed victorious by three goals to one."

Aston Unity: A. Matthews (Goal); J. R. Benson (Capt.); R. Rogers (Backs); Harry Pallett, H. Upton, J. Lloyd (Half Backs); J. Green, E. Dyer, H. Coley, J. Ashford, J. J. Wilson (Forwards).

St George's: H. Stansbie (Goal); S. Eagles, C. Jones (Backs); A. Baker, C. Perkins, B. Keen (Half Backs); W. Tonkinson (Capt.); J. Milton, F. Stevenson, W. Harrison, D. Hodgetts (Forwards).

Check initials for half backs and Stevenson

Umpires: Messrs. Meyrick and Ford. Referee: Mr. J. Campbell Orr (Calthorpe?)

ASTON VILLA 4 (R. A. Harvey, Archie Hunter, O. H. Vaughton, O. Whateley) WEDNESBURY OLD ATHLETIC 1 (R. Morley) (H. T. 2-1) (Sat Nov 18<sup>th</sup>) (At Perry Barr)

Birmingham Daily Post 20/11/82 P.8/Birmingham Mail 20/11/82 P.2/Athletic News 22/11/82 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 22/11/82 P.118/Bell's Life 25/11/82 P.3/Sportsman 20/11/82 P.4/Field 25/11/82 P.769/Referee 19/11/82 P.6:

BDP: "Considerable interest was manifested in the meeting of these two crack teams in the second round of the National Cup ties, 6,000 enthusiasts lining the ropes at Perry Barr on Saturday. Last year, it will be remembered, the Athletics met the Villa at the Oval, Wednesbury, in the fourth round of this competition, when the Astonians were defeated by 4 goals to 2. Holden won the toss and elected to play against the slope and wind, which was blowing rather strongly from corner to corner of the field of play. Archie Hunter kicked off, and the play at once became very fast, the Athletics gaining the first advantage in the shape of a corner. Archie and Brown got away from the kick out, the former causing Kent to give a corner to relieve his goal. The place kick, however, proved of no value, and play became very exciting. G. Holden at length succeeded in putting on a fine run, and, after a long tussle in the corner with Apperley, he sent in a fine centre almost from the goal line, which enabled Morley to score the first goal for the Athletics. This roused the Villa, and they bore down upon their rivals' quarters, where they kept up a determined struggle for supremacy Kent repelling several dangerous shots by Archie, Vaughton, and Whateley. Curiously enough the first score got by the Villa was obtained by their full back Harvey, who, with a magnificent shot sent from midfield, sent the ball direct for goal, and Archie charging the Wednesbury custodian as the ball was dropping under the bar, made the point sure. Archie Hunter and Brown worked the ball in front of the Athletics' goal, and after several exchanges Hunter put the finishing touch to goal number two, half time being immediately after called. Woodcock resumed the game, and G. Holden, Morley, and Roberts were prominent, but never dangerous, until a throw in by Hodgkiss landed the ball in front of the goal, when matters looked serious, but Harvey cleared his lines, and Whateley executed a capital run. Crossing to his captain well up he passed to Davis, who sent in a splendid shot from the wing, and Vaughton brought a brilliant piece of combined play to a successful issue by scoring goal number three for the Villa. The play continued fast and exciting, the Wednesbury men having hard luck on one occasion in not scoring; and G. Holden put in some grand work, but Apperley and Harvey were too much for him. A raid upon the Athletic quarters confined the play for a time in front of Kent's

position, the visitors' backs and goalkeeper having a lively time of it. Eventually Whateley (AN "...by one of his well-known scorers") succeeded in breaking down the stubborn defence, and no further score being added a most exciting and stubbornly-contested match resulted in a victory for the Villa by 4 goals to 1."

BM: "Whateley and Hunter made several unsuccessful shots, but at length G. Holden, who had been very busy, got the better of Apperley, and centred to Morley, who shot for goal, and Clarke, clean missing his kick, the ball rolled through the Villa posts. Upon resuming the Villa forwards were again seen to advantage, but the defence was very stubborn, until at length Harvey, in backing up, shot the ball at Kent, who did not fairly fist it away, and Archie equalised matters out of the scrimmage which followed. Three minutes later, Andy Hunter screwed the ball in when on the verge of the goal line, and Whateley shot it past Kent for the second time. An appeal against the legality of the score was overruled. Ends were now changed, and again Athletic went off well, but Harvey was equal to the occasion, while Brown at half also put in skilful work, and a third goal soon fell to the Villa; while shortly after Whateley kicked a fourth. Towards the close the visitors played up hard, but their attempt to score proved futile, the Villa winning by four goals to one. The winners played well all round, while G. Holden, Groucutt, and Roberts (forward), and Cliffe, Nicholls, and +Moon (behind), played especially well for the Athletic." +Moon? CHECK

Aston Villa: A.W. Clarke (Goal), A. Harvey, T. Bryan (Backs), D.R. Anderson, C.W. Apperley (Half Backs), Andy Hunter, O. Whateley (Right Wing), Archie Hunter (Capt.), Arthur Brown (Centres), O.H. Vaughton, Eli C. Davis (Left Wing).

Wednesbury Old Athletic: +C.(J.) Kent (Goal), W.H. Moon, J. Nicholls (Backs), J. Holden, J. Cliffe, T. Hodgkiss (Half Backs), G.H. Holden (Capt.), R. Morley (Right Wing), A. Woodcock (Centre), A. Groucutt, J. Roberts (Left Wing).

+Often listed as W. Kent

Umpires: W.B. Mason (Aston Villa) and E. Holmes (Wednesbury Old Athletic).

Referee: C. Crump, President of the Birmingham and District Football Association.

STAFFORD ROAD 1 (Foster) WALSALL TOWN 4 (S. Bradbury 2, W. Bird 2) (H.T. 0-2) (Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>) (At Stafford Road, Wolverhampton)

Walsall Observer 9/12/82 P.7/Birmingham Daily Post 4/12/82 P.6/Athletic News 6/12/82 P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.157/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4 (No teams)/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.5 (No teams)/Referee 3/12/82 P.6:

WO: "The above important cup-tie contest was decided at the Stafford Road ground on Saturday last, and resulted in a most decisive victory for the Town by four goals to one. The match was anticipated with a certain amount of fear, as "Mr Crump's boys" have been playing in greatly improved form of late, and such a handsome result has firmly established in the football world the Town team as a first-class one. The game was a grand one from start to finish, and was fought out in a most determined manner; the large number of enthusiasts who set the level at defiance and witnessed the match, were well rewarded for their patronage. Both clubs put their strongest team in the field, the only change in the ranks of the Town being Cox, who replaced Tonks at centre half-back, the latter player unfortunately missing his train. Stafford Road won the toss, and decided to play up-

hill, with a strong wind in their favour. Bradbury kicked off, and a pretty passing run down the centre, thus early jeopardised the home goal. But their stay was of short duration, and the blunt of play was transferred to the other end and kept up with incessant vigour for some time. Keay, Reynolds, Newman, and Cox working like veritable demons to keep their resolute opponents at bay. From a hard and lofty shot by Stamford, Newman succeeded in heading the ball clear of the "ruck". Harrison secured it and accurately passed to Bird on the extreme left; a long run at sprinting pace was the result, and Nicholls (to) prevent the usual centre, kicked out. The throw in was well placed, but Bradbury was not sufficiently cool and sent the leather spinning high over the bar. From the goal kick, Stafford Road again assumed the offensive, and Nicholls eventually put in a shot which the wind just carried over. Bird, well backed up by Harrison, again made off down the left, and the latter, playing judiciously, keeping the half-back at a distance, Bird centred accurately; and Bradbury, cleverly eluding Dorrance and Selman, piloted the leather through the posts, well out of the reach of Ray, the redoubtable custodian, thus drawing first blood for the Town fifteen minutes from the start. Re-starting from mid-field, Taylor smartly dispossessed Deakin of the ball, and Hill and Arblaster treated the spectators to some clever dodging; but getting dangerously close, Turton kicked out in self defence. The corner was splendidly taken by Hill, who landed the sphere straight in front, and Bird, with a well-timed rush, scored goal No 2. Not at all deterred by this reverse, the Stafford Road continued to play up, in the most resolute manner; but the splendid heading of Cox and Newman kept the numerous shots at a safe distance. Dodsworth at length relieved the pressure and dribbled down the field, and Arblaster put in a "hot un", which Ray punched out. Cox smartly placed the leather in front of goal, and the Walsall forwards being well up, a toughish scrimmage was formed, and kept arraying backwards and forwards right in the mouth of the goal, the spectators being breathless with excitement. A parting header was put in by Harrison, and as it appeared to be passing between the sticks, Stamford palpably struck it out. Newman under the ++ new rule, demanded a goal; but the claim was disallowed by the referee. From the foul another scrimmage was formed, but the Walsall men, ignorant of the manner "how to pack" a scrimmage, as adapted by the Rugby Union, the Stafford Road backs managed to clear their lines. This was to be deplored, as a certain goal ought to have resulted. The home team now made a determined effort to alter the state of affairs, and the Walsall backs were kept well employed. Gowland at last got within striking distance; but Dodsworth sticking to him like a leech, his shot went wide. Deakin and Forster brought the ball back, and Newman gave a corner, but it was abortive. Bradbury, after a clever run down the centre, gave Harrison a chance; but his shot was wretchedly weak. A gallant attack was now made on the Walsall fortress, and for a few minutes a regular fusillade was kept up, the splendid heading of the visitors being loudly applauded. Harry Taylor eventually got the ball clear, and Hill and Arblaster made a splendid run the whole length of the ground, and Ray had to give a corner to save his charge. Although again capitally placed by Hill, the ball was got away; but, being smartly returned by Cox, a hard low shot by Harrison was well saved by Selman. Hill was again prominent, and Arblaster put in a shot which struck the bar; Bird missed the rebound, and the ball was transferred to the centre of the field. Half-time was called with Arblaster tussling with Turton and Nicholls for possession of the coveted sphere. With the wind at their backs, and the splendid combination of their forwards, the Walsall still continued the aggressors, and twice in quick succession was the ball run over the Stafford line. A beautiful centre by Hill gave Bradbury a chance, but his shot shaved the corner of the post; while a few minutes later, from a corner capitally placed by Hill, Ray had to use his hands twice to keep his charge intact. But this result was at length nullified, and the home team, playing with renewed vigour, transferred the play into the visitors' half and for some quarter of an hour had



considerably the better of the game;but,though frequently dangerous,they were unable to break through the strong defence of the Town.Cox,Dodsworth,and Reynolds at this point were playing up magnificently,the tackling and accurate kicking of the former being specially noticeable.Harrison eventually broke away,and succeeded in eluding the backs,but,taking his shot too far from goal,Ray easily returned it,and Whitehead,trickily beating the Walsall half-backs,put in a "stinger",which Keay had a deal of trouble averting.By strenuous efforts the forwards of the visitors,well backed-up by the half-backs,carried the ball to the top of the field,and Bradbury essayed a shot.Ray ran out and missed,but Selman,smartly getting back,kicked out in the "nick of time".The corner proved fruitless,and from the goal-kick Bird renewed the attack,and some pretty passing in dangerous proximity to the goal was witnessed,Bradbury finally shooting,but the ball went over.Walsall again had to act on the defensive,Gowland,Whitehead,and + Deakin trying hard to score.At last their exertions proved successful.Whitehead got the best of Dodsworth in a tussle,and placed the ball in front of goal.Cox and Reynolds missjudged it,and Fo(r)ster with a low swift shot,scored the only goal for Stafford Road.the downfall of the visitors' fortress being greeted with deafening yells from the Wolverhampton partisans.Darkness was now coming on apace,and an increasing wind by a snow storm made the play far from pleasant and rather uncertain.The fast game now began to tell on the Stafford Road,and the superior stamina of the Town stood them in good stead,as from now till the conclusion of the game the play was confined to the top end.Newman,playing well up,distinguished himself with some excellent returns,and from one of them Bird,dodging cleverly,tried to get in,but, not seeing an opening,gave the ball to Bradbury,who placed goal No 3 to the credit of his side.;and just before the call of time,from another accurate return from the Walsall captain,and some cross play in front of the fortress,Bird put the finishing touch to a fourth goal.Neither side appeared sorry on the cessation of play,as both were "pumped out",the game being fast and furious from start to finish.The Town have thus in a creditable manner gained their admittance into the third round,for which they ought to feel justly proud.The team played up grandly to a man,and stepped on to the greed sward in splendid condition,every man playing throughout the match without showing any signs of fatigue.Cox,the new centre-half played a steling good game,,and from Saturday's form he will no doubt have another trial."

BDP : "Played at Stafford Road on Saturday,and after a hard and fast game resulted in favour of the visitors by four goals to one.Gowland and Whitehead were the first to show prominently,but Reynolds held them well.Bird and Harrison executed a pretty fine run,and the former eluding (Sellman) centred well,and Bradbury promptly put the ball through.Shortly after from a well placed corner,Bird breasted goal No 2.Stafford Road gained a fruitless corner,and then a long scrimmage took place in the mouth of their goal,and a score seemed inevitable,but one of the Stafford Road men fouled the ball badly,but the referee ++refused to allow the goal.After half time the home team played up grandly,and for a time penned the Walsall men,but could not break down their stubborn defence.At last Whitehead got a clear run,and centreing well,Foster gained a splendid goal.The play of the Stafford Road men hereabouts was very fine,and several times they got within striking distance,Whitehead ,Gowland,and Foster being most conspicuous.Bird at last broke away,and passing all the backs,shot across to Bradbury,who returned it,and Bird easily got it past Ray.Newman made a long return,Bird took the ball along the wing,and made a long pass to Arblaster,who centred to Bradbury,and a neat goal resulted.The game thus ended as above." ++Under the rule in force this season

\*Both the BDP/AN Reports give G.Holden in the report but J.Holden in their lineups.

(FWR has S.Cox for W.Cox )

Stafford Road:E.Ray(Goal);C.Dorrance,G.Sellman(Backs);Nicholls,Turton,Richards(Half Backs);  
R.Gowland,Whitehead(Right),Stamford(Centre),Deakin,Foster(Left).

N.B. Check that Deakin did play as per WO and not Vickers.

Walsall Town:W.Keay(Goal);T.Reynolds,E.J.Newman(Backs);Harry Taylor,+W.Cox,W.Dodsworth(Half  
Backs),S.Arblaster,C.Hill(Right Wing),S.Bradbury(Centre),H.Harrison,W.Bird(Left Wing).  
+CHECK not S.Cox

Umpires:Grant and Adams.Referee:Alden(Ewell's F.C.)

### THIRD DIVISION:

Darwen Ramblers v Haslingden  
Blackburn Olympic v Lower Darwen  
Blackburn Rovers v Darwen  
Church,a bye

DARWEN RAMBLERS 3(S.Smith,J.Norris,G.Preston) HASLINGDEN 2 (K.Heap 2)(H.T. 1-1)(Sat Nov 25<sup>th</sup> )  
(At Anchor Meadows,Darwen)

N.B BT has Hargreaves scoring 2<sup>nd</sup> Haslingdon goal and Lloyd the 3<sup>rd</sup> goal for Darwen Ramblers(see  
below)

Blackburn Standard 2/12/82 P.3/Blackburn Times 2/12/82 P.7/Football A Weekly Record of the  
Game 29/11/82 P.140/Bell's Life 2/12/82 P.4/Athletic News 29/11/82 P.3(No teams)/Sportsman  
27/11/81 P.4/Sporting Life 28/11/81 P.4:

BS:"Considerable interest was manifested in the meeting of these teams on Saturday,which took  
place at Darwen on the Anchor Meadows.Both teams were pretty strongly represented and a good  
match ensued.The Ramblers won the toss and elected to play with the wind in the first half.The  
ground favoured neither side,as it rises in the middle and falls towards each goal.Hargreaves put the  
ball in motion on behalf of Haslingdon,and a very good attempt was made to get into the Darwen  
quarters.Lomax smartly returned the ball and Butterworth and Norris sped away up the left wing.  
They were encountered by the visitors' half backs,and nothing tangible was achieved.Again did the  
Ramblers come to the attack,this time with greater vigour than before,and it bothered Brown very  
much to save his goal.This he effected rather cleverly,and play changed to mid-field.Here a regular  
tussle ensued for the mastery,but the Ramblers demonstrated their superiority by wresting the  
leather from their opponents.An animated scrimmage ensued in the Haslingden division,and before  
danger could be averted S.Smith landed the first goal for the home team.The visitors,after the kick  
from the centre did their level best to obtain the upper hand from Darwen.Gilmore,Heap,  
J.Birtwistle,and Hargreaves each made some pretty runs and good shots at goal.Fielden stopped a  
few rattlers,and Greenhalgh and Turner defended finely,but despite the efforts of the latter,  
Haslingden dashed in front again and Heap made matters even.Half time was called without further

change in the result, and without much delay the ball was kicked from the centre by Preston. Both teams were now fairly determined in their play and not a single effort was left unstrained to secure the least possible advantage. S. Smith and Lloyd for the home team executed a fine dribble. Lloyd centred but Mellor dashed the ball back. Again it was sent in, and this time Holden did the return business. T. Birtwistle and Gilmore now got away on the left, and their efforts culminated in a sharp scrimmage in front of the Ramblers' goal. Smith, Turner, and Fielden stood well in front of their posts, and danger shifted. Butterworth, Norris and Preston sped the other way, and in a very short time the Haslingden stronghold was the scene of action, and amid intense cheering Norris registered a second goal. This advantage was only held by the home team for about five minutes, for then Heap, J. Birtwistle and Hargreaves displayed fine form, and being well assisted by C. Birtwistle, Hartley and J. Holden, they menaced the Ramblers' citadel to no small tune, and their efforts met with success (AN: "...five minutes later Heap again made the game even."). It seemed after this that the match would end in a tie, for time sped away with the match still even towards the finish. However Norris and Butterworth ran up the home left centre, and Lloyd shot the ball in, and Preston added the finishing touch (AN: "Just before the call of "Time", Preston scored for the Ramblers."). Haslingden, however, claimed offside, but the referee allowed the point, the Ramblers thus winning by three goals to two."

BT: "Just after the change of ends Norris scored a second goal for Darwen, but Hargreaves equalised it a few minutes later. A few minutes before time Lloyd got a third goal for Darwen. The visitors disputed the point, and when the referee allowed the goal the visitors refused to continue the play, and the match thus ended in a victory for the home team by three goals to two."

Darwen Ramblers: J. Fielden (Goal), J. Greenhalgh, J. T. Turner (Backs), J. Lomax, J. Yates, J. Smith (Half Backs), S. Smith, T. Lloyd (Right Wing), G. Preston (Centre), E. Butterworth, J. Norris (Left Wing).

(Have taken many initials from BS third round lineup except for G. Butterworth) (BT has W. Lloyd and E. Butterworth: as in 1<sup>st</sup> round)

Haslingden: H. Brown (Goal), W. Mellor, R. Holden (Backs), C. Birtwistle, T. Hartley, J. Holden (Half Backs), K. Heap, J. Birtwistle (Right Wing), J. Hargreaves (Centre), J. Gilmore, T. Birtwistle (Left Wing).

Umpires: J. H. Eccles for Darwen Ramblers and W. Walsh for Haslingden. Referee: Woods (Bolton All Saints)

BLACKBURN OLYMPIC 8 (J. Yates, G. Wilson 3, W. T. Wensley, T. Dewhurst, J. Hunter, A. Matthews)  
LOWER DARWEN 1 (L. Marsden) (H. T. 5-1) (Sat Dec 9<sup>th</sup>) (At Hole-i'-th'-Wall, Blackburn)

Blackburn Standard 16/12/82 P.3/Blackburn Times 16/12/82 P.6/Bolton Evening News 11/12/82 P.4/Athletic News 13/12/82 P.2/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 13/12/82 P.164/Bell's Life 16/10/82 P.4/Sporting Life 12/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 11/12/81 P.4/Referee 3/12/82 P.6 (No teams):

BS: "These two teams met on the Olympic ground, Hole-i'-th'-Wall, on Saturday last, when the latter were beaten by eight goals to one. About 600 spectators witnessed the game. The Olympic won the toss, and chose to play with the ground in their favour. The ball was started about three o'clock, by Marsden for Darwen, but Yates securing it ran down towards the Darwen goal. After a small scrimmage in front of the goal Yates made a shot, but the ball ran by the side of the posts. Duckworth, for Darwen, now secured the ball and ran up the field, and Warburton met him, but accidentally sent

the ball behind the posts. Brindle delivered the ball, but nothing resulted. After the ball had again been set in motion, Yates secured it and ran down towards the goal, where a scrimmage ensued, and Yates registered the first goal for the Olympic about seven minutes from the kick off. Several determined shots were now made by the Olympic forwards but the backs and the custodian relieved the goal from all danger. After a time Wensley secured the ball, and passed to Dewhurst, who when near the Darwen fortress passed to Wilson, and he by a splendid piece of play scored the second goal. Some give-and-take play now ensued by the Olympic fortress, but Dewhurst getting possession of the ball sped away down the field, and passed to Yates on the left, and that player again passed to Wensley who, by a well aimed kick once more lowered the Darwen colours. The ball was again set in motion by Marsden, and Matthews obtaining the sphere passed to Dewhurst on the right. He, however, missed it and Duckworth sent it to Marsden who ran it up the field, but Warburton proved too much for him, and passed the ball to Wilson, who shot it through his opponents' uprights for the fourth time. After the ball had been started Darwen obtained a throw in in midfield and Marsden passed to Duckworth, who sent it back when near the Olympic goal, and Marsden by a swift shot achieved the first and only goal for Darwen. Wilson now obtained the ball, and shot at the Darwen goal, but the custodian saved his charge. Rawlinson then had the ball, and ran up the field, but his progress was checked by Wilson, who obtained the leather and passed to Dewhurst, who passed to Hunter, and that player registered the fifth goal. Darwen now united their efforts and continually shot at the Olympian stronghold, but Hacking, without fail, saved his charge. Half time was then called. After the ball had again been started Pomfret ran it down to the Olympic territory, but Warburton relieved all danger. A corner was afterwards obtained and it was sent in by Duckworth, but nothing resulted. The Olympians now penned their opponents completely in the goal, and their forwards made repeated shots, which, after a little while, took effect, the sixth goal being counted after twelve minutes' play from half time. The seventh goal, by Wilson, followed shortly, and he, having secured the ball, passed the backs again, apparently without any difficulty, and registered the eighth goal. Time was then called and the Olympic were declared victorious by eight goals to one."

SL/SM: "Though the visitors frequently broke away, the home team had decidedly the advantage during the earlier part of the match, and within about twenty minutes, Yates, Wilson, Wensley, and Dewhurst scored for them. Shortly afterwards the Lower Darwen forwards worked up the field, and Ward missing a kick, and Hacking falling, Marsden scored the only goal secured for his side. From a bully, which soon followed in the visitors' goal, Hunter added another point. For half an hour after the change of ends the play was very even, but Wilson then scored the sixth goal, while ten minutes later he and Matthews made a good run up the field, and the latter secured the seventh point. A couple of minutes before the close Wilson ran the length of the field with the ball, and, eluding the backs and goal-keeper, scored another goal. The Olympic thus won by eight goals to one."

BL: "The tie in the Second Round between these clubs....owing to protests had been delayed "

Blackburn Olympic: T.J. Hacking (Goal), J.T. Ward, S.A. Warburton (Backs), J. Hunter, W. Astley, T.K. Gibson (Half Backs), T. Dewhurst, A. Matthews (Right Wing), G. Wilson (Centre), W.T. Wensley, J. Yates (Left Wing).

Lower Darwen: S. Tomlinson (Goal), W. Ireland, C. Duckworth (Backs), E. Hargreaves, T. Rawlinson, W. Aspinall (Half Backs), T. Duckworth, R.T. Duckworth (Right Wing), L. Marsden (Centre), G. Brindle, L. Pomfret (Left Wing).

N.B.BS specified positions and has full 11 men,including W.Aspinall at half back )(BT/FWR/BL/BEN all have only 10 men:missing W.Aspinall:CHECK NOT J.T.Aspinall)

Umpires:L.Monk for Olympic and J.W.Livesey for Lower Darwen.Referee:W.Heaton(Accrington).

BLACKBURN ROVERS 0 DARWEN 1(B.Mellor)(H.T. 0-0)(Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>)(At Leamington Ground,Blackburn)

Blackburn Standard 9/12/82 P.3/Blackburn Times 9/12/82 P.7/Athletic News 6/12/82 P.6/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.156/Bell's Life 9/12/82/Manchester Courier 4/12/82 P.3/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4/Referee 3/12/82 P.6(No teams)/Bolton Evening News 4/12/82 P.4:

BS:"In connection with the second round of this competition the Blackburn Rovers and Darwen met on the Leamington Road ground on Saturday,and the former were defeated by one goal to nothing.It is almost useless to state that had it not been for the Darwen goalkeeper the Rovers would have been on the safe side by several goals.Those who witnessed the match,and there were between 6,000 and 7,000 spectators present,will,we think,agree with us when we state that Richmond was an invaluable custodian and accomplished great feats.At twenty-five minutes to three the Rovers lost the toss,and Strachan kicked off.Fish at once secured the ball,and passed to Mellor,who ran it up field and crossed,and Rostron made a good try,but the ball went outside the posts.Lofthouse secured possession of the leather from the kick off,and ran down the field,but was interrupted by Fish,who surrendered the ball to Marshall,and another shot was made,but the ball went wide of the goal.Hargreaves and Avery next received the ball,and,working it in the left corner,a good screw by Hargreaves planted it in front of the goal,and a scrimmage ensued,but Holden quickly relieved danger.McIntyre recentered the sphere,and Douglas secured a free kick near to the Darwen goal.Kicking it to Hargreaves that player tried,but the ball just skimmed past the posts.The Rovers now formed a powerful aggressive line in front of the Darwen goal,and Lofthouse securing the leather made a grand shot,and it seemed to go through the goal.Richmond just put his hand out in time,however,and gave the home team a corner kick,and Lofthouse again tried but failed.Darwen broke away and Whalley was making a nice run,but Beverley interposed and kicked the ball to Strachan,who ran down and finally passing to Brown,who secured a free kick.From it a corner kick was secured,and during a scrimmage Entwistle nicely saved his goal.Ashton was now seen running along the centre,and a judicious piece of play secured Darwen a corner kick.Mellor delivered it but sent the sphere behind the posts.From the goal kick the Rovers ran down the right wing,but the ball was carried out by the wind,and S.Fish had a throw in.Entwistle met the sphere and was steering nicely towards the home goal when Suter interposed and Strachan snatched it away.Passing on the right Douglas and Lofthouse dodged round the half backs,but were robbed by the backs.Mellor then scudded rapidly along the left wing,but his career was cut short by McIntyre who kicked to Brown.The ball was crossed to the left wing and Hargreaves had a struggle with Marshall,and gaining the victory,he tried one of his famous side shots,but missed the goal.Marshall and Rostron tried to break away but Avery and Hargreaves proved too much for them,and a corner kick rewarded their efforts.Brown delivered it,and Ashton met the sphere,planting it at the toe of Marshall,A short run was made by that player,but Suter's head was in the way and the ball bounded towards Douglas.A short struggle with Fish brought him in close proximity to the goal and he tried a shot,but the goalkeeper caught the ball and threw it away.A corner kick followed this,and Brown made a swift shot,but the ball went too high.Richmond next made a nice run up the field,but Greenwood opposed him,and

Suter running up at the time delivered the ball to Hargreaves. A splendid screw was made, and Lofthouse had a good chance, but kicked out. Darwen now made a combined run up the field, but on nearing the home fortress, Suter at the proper moment rushed at the ball and averted danger. Brown then ran down the field and shot, but the goal-keeper again saved his charge and half-time was called. Immediately after the kick off on the resumption of play the Rovers made a grand charge and the ball was rolling swiftly towards the centre of the goal, when Holden kicked it out. Beverley threw in to Hargreaves, who passed to Brown, and that player surrendered to Strachan, and a shot was made, but the ball went too high. Mellor and Richmond afterwards sped away on the left, and were within a few yards of the Rovers' goal, when McIntyre ran at them and took the ball. Beverley assisted him, and secured the ball, dribbled it along the left wing, and shot, but the leather dropped just outside the citadel. For some time the Rovers maintained their aggressive positions, and Hargreaves dropping on the leather, screwed it on a line with the crossbar, and it only escaped going in by two or three inches. Darwen struggled hard to extricate the ball, and a tough scrimmage ensued in midfield. At last Brown gave it a kick, and following up overtook the backs, and had only the custodian to pass. Richmond left the goal to meet him, and disaster seemed inevitable, but, putting a little too much screw on the ball, Brown sent it rolling past the posts. A few minutes later J. Hargreaves made another splendid shot, the ball just dropping down the front of the crossbar, but Richmond, in a wonderful manner, struck it over with his fingers, and saved his charge. The Rovers were now severely pressed. Mellor, Whalley, Rostron, and Richmond made several good attempts to score, but the ball failed to reach its mark, owing to the good back defence. After 35 minutes' play Darwen were awarded a free kick near the home fortress. Fish delivered it, planting it amongst the players surrounding the goal, and a highly creditable shot from the left wing took effect, the ball passing through the centre of the goal amid loud cheering. A very short time now remained and, as may be imagined, the excitement and suspense was very great. The Rovers dashed with great spirit at the ball, and a minute before time was called, Lofthouse drove the ball home, and it to all appearances it went between the posts. The goalkeeper struck it back, and alleged that it had never been through. After a short consultation with the umpire, the referee decided that it was no goal, and time was at that moment called, Darwen being the winners by one goal to none."

BT: "Owing to the injury to his knee, the Rovers' captain, F.W. Hargreaves, was unable to play, and J. Beverley took his place at half-back on the left, while D.H. Greenwood filled his old place at back."

"The play was transferred to the Rovers' quarters, and Suter and McIntyre played finely in defence. Some good passing close to the goal ended in the ball being sent over the bar. An exciting scrimmage in the mouth of the Darwen goal followed, and when a point seemed certain the danger was averted. Ashton made a good run down the centre, passed to the right, and, after some good passing in the mouth of the goal by Marshall and Rostron, Mellor put the ball between the posts, amid tremendous cheering from the Darwen team's supporters. In the remaining ten minutes of play the Rovers strove desperately to score, and a loud cheer announced that a shot by Lofthouse had taken effect. The Darwen team denied that the ball had gone through the goal, and the referee deciding in their favour, they were declared the victors by one goal to nil. The Darwen goal keeper and Holden played a grand game for Darwen, and Fish, Entwistle, Rostron, and Mellor also did well; while for the Rovers, Suter, McIntyre, Brown, and J. Hargreaves were prominent. The play was so much in the Rovers' favour that Howorth never handled the ball throughout the match."

MC:"About ten minutes from the close some passing by the Darwen forwards in front of the home goal resulted in the scoring of a goal by Mellor, and Darwen thus won by one goal to none."

AN:"Darwen put into the field the same team as had defeated the Bolton Wanderers and Aston Villa, but the Rovers were compelled to find a substitute for Fred Hargreaves and "Dock" Greenwood was pressed into the team."

Blackburn Rovers :R.Howorth(Goal),F.Suter,D.H.Greenwood(Backs),H.McIntyre(Capt.),J.Beverley (Half Backs),J.Douglas,J.Lofthouse(Right Wing),J.Brown,T.Strachan(Centres),J.Hargreaves, G.Avery(Left Wing).

Darwen:J.Richmond(Goal),R.Entwistle,J.Holden(Backs),S.Fish(Capt.),W.Bury(Half Backs), T.Marshall,T.Rostron(Right Wing),J.Whalley,H.Ashton(Centres),B.Mellor,H.Richmond(Left Wing).

N.B. BT forwards positions as above considered correct

Umpires:W.Duckworth(Rovers) and E.H.Taylor (Darwen).Referee:R.M.Sloan(Bootle)

CHURCH,a bye

FOURTH DIVISION:

Druids or Oswestry v Northwich Victoria

Eagley v Halliwell

Liverpool Ramblers v Bolton Wanderers

DRUIDS 5 (Albert Jones 2,E.Bowen,K.Crosse,W.P.Owen) NORTHWICH VICTORIA 0(H.T. 3-0)(Sat Dec 9<sup>th</sup>)(At Wynnstay Park,Ruabon)

Wrexham Advertiser 15/12/82 P.3/Northwich Guardian 12/12/82 P.5/Athletic News 6/12/82 P.2/Football A Weekly Record 13/12/82 P.164/Bell's Life 16/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 12/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 11/12/82 P.4/Field 16/12/82 P.872/Referee 10/12/82 P.6:

NG:"This cup tie was played at Ruabon, on Saturday, before a limited number of spectators. The match caused much interest in the Northwich district, especially as it was known that the winning team would have to meet the renowned Bolton Wanderers on its own ground. But owing to the Druids team having been greatly strengthened by the addition of several international players belonging to other Welsh clubs, there was little hope felt that the Victorians would be able to secure a victory. The day was very fine, but the ground was covered with snow, and was consequently very heavy. Northwich kicked off at three o'clock, and made an attempt to score, which was unsuccessful. The Druids then retaliated, and A. Jones scored the first goal for them with a splendid side shot. After this the game was very open, the visitors having several chances to score, but failed to do so. Again getting away, the home team scored a second goal from the foot of Cross. Northwich now played harder, and were rewarded by getting the ball under the bar, but the point was disputed by the Druids, and, to the surprise of everybody, was disallowed by the referee. On resuming the home team pressed the visitors and scored a third goal. This brought about half time. On change of ends the game was very fast, but the Druids maintained a steady advantage, and, scoring two more goals, won an interesting, well-contested, and pleasant game by five goals to nil."

WA:"The tie in the second round of the competition for the English Association Challenge Cup between these two clubs-the holders of the Welsh and Cheshire Challenge Cups respectively,was played off on Saturday,at Wynnstay Park,Ruabon.The ground was in anything but good condition, being covered with snow,and in consequence of the unfavourable weather there was not a very large gathering of spectators.Very soon after the game began it was evident that the Northwich men were overmatched though they played pluckily to the end,and the goalkeeping of Palin was greatly admired.The first goal was scored three minutes after starting,by Albert Jones,and before half time two more were credited to the Druids by Bowen and Crosse.Change of ends did not improve matters for the visitors ,and the game ended in a victory for the Welshmen by five goals to nil.The two goals obtained in the second half were secured by Albert Jones and W.P.Owen."

BL:"This match was another that,owing to the decision of the Association having to be given on one or two points,at issue,had to be postponed beyond the date fixed for the conclusion of the second round."

Druids:H.Adams(Berwryn Rangers)(Goal),J.Powell(Capt.),A.Powell(Backs),J.Jones(Berwryn Rangers),R.Roberts(Half Backs),E.Bowen,W.P.Owen(Ruthin)(Right Wing),K.Crosse,J.P.Davies (Llangollen)(Centres),J.Vaughan,Albert Jones(Left Wing).

Northwich Victoria:J.Palin(Goal),F.W.Hughes,E.Butterworth(Backs),W.H.Hughes,G.Vernon (Half Backs),A.Moore,B.Dobell(Right Wing), J.Tomkinson,W.(H.)Spruce(Centres),G.Plant,(Capt.), E.Turnbull(Left Wing).(WA specified positions except has E.Butterworth and J.Moore)

Umpires:Llewlyn Kenrick(Druids) and G.A.Hughes(Northwich).Referee:C.Murless(Wrexham).

EAGLEY 3 (C.Corless 2,"scrimmage") HALLIWELL 1 (J.Harper) (H.T. 2-1)(Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>)(At Eagley)

Bolton Evening News 4/12/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.157/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P.4/Athletic News 6/12/82 P.6/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4(Result only):

BEN:"On Saturday afternoon,on the Eagley ground,the match between Halliwell and Eagley in the second round of the English cup competition took place in the presence of a fair number of spectators.Halliwell won the toss,and the ball was started by Haslam,play at first veering alternately between both goal posts,but after a short time Corless managed to secure the first goal for Eagley .Vickers was promptly to the fore in defending his position,stopping several shots,but things were made so far equal by Harper,who obtained a goal for Halliwell after a good run up the centre.The second goal for Eagley was also scored by Corless,with a good shot which eluded Vickers' vigilance,a claim of off-side being disallowed.Some good play occurred principally in the Halliwell end,the activity of the Eagley forwards,especially Corless and R.Hall on the left,being much admired.Foole and Scofield at back were kept fully employed,and Vickers had his work smartly cut out for him,but he succeeded by his activity in saving his fortress.By good luck only,however,was Halliwell saved from losing a third goal in the first half,owing to a bad shot on the part of Morris,the Eagley centre, which went wide of the posts.Durham,one of the Eagley backs,was always ready whenever the ball passed into the Eagley quarters,his excellent play evoking loud applause.At the change of ends F.Jones shot over the bar of the Halliwell posts,and for the most part play was in the territory of the visitors,and it was evident that their work was cut out for them if they were to save their colours.A



good shot at goal was stopped by Vickers by a very ingenious twist of the ball outside the posts. A minute afterwards a scrimmage occurred in front of the much-besieged Halliwell goal, and Vickers' activity could not prevent the ball caracolling through the posts, amidst the cheers of the Eagley spectators. Durham, at back, for Eagley, distinguished himself for the remainder of the time, stopping some good shots, and materially aiding the goalkeeper, who was but in indifferent form. Darkness now closed o'er the scene and it was impossible for the spectators to watch the career of the invisible ball. Halliwell failed to improve their position, and thus lost by three to one."

AN: "Played at Eagley on Saturday. Haslam kicked off, and a goal was quickly obtained by Corless for Eagley, and, after a vigorous run up the centre, things were made equal by Harper for Halliwell. Corless won a second goal for his side shortly afterwards, a claim of off-side being disallowed. In the second half a third goal was obtained by Eagley, as a result of a general scrum in front of goal, and Halliwell failing to score during the prevailing darkness, Eagley won by three goals to one."

FWR (BL very similar report): "This match was played at Eagley on Saturday, Halliwell won the toss, and Haslam kicked off. A goal was quickly gained by Corless for Eagley, and after a vigorous run up the centre, things were made equal by Harper for Halliwell. Corless gained a second goal for his side shortly afterwards, a claim of offside being disallowed. In the second half a third goal was obtained by Eagley, from a general scrimmage in front of the posts, and Halliwell failing to score during the prevailing darkness, Eagley won by three goals to one."

Eagley: James Hall (Goal), S. Holt, J. Durham (Backs), F. Jones, T. Hall, W. Hall (Half Backs), T. Scullthorpe, J. Haslam (Right Wing), H. Morris (Centre), W. Corless, R. Hall (Left Wing).

J. Scullthorpe? S. Jones?

Halliwell: T. Vickers (Goal), W. Foole, T. Schofield (Backs), F. Hamer, T. Brooks, T. Hailwood (Half Backs); J. Entwistle, J. Walsh (Right Wing), J. Bell (Centre), J. Harper, J. Battersby (Left Wing).

CHECK HALLIWELL INITIALS

Umpires: J. Burgess for Eagley and G. Haslam for Halliwell. Referee: Eccleston.

BOLTON WANDERERS 3 (W. G. Struthers 2, W. Steel) LIVERPOOL RAMBLERS 0 (H. T. 0-0) (Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>) (At Pike's Lane, Bolton)

Bolton Evening News 4/12/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.156/Athletic News 6/12/82 P.6/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P.4/Field 9/12/82 P.843/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4 (Result only):

BEN: "The weather was anything but inviting for an afternoon on the Pike's Lane ground, on Saturday, for though fine, it was bitterly cold, with an impending fall of snow. A fair number of spectators, however, witnessed the contest, for a place in the English Cup competition between the Wanderers and the Liverpool Ramblers, a "swell" team of 'Varsity men. The game exceeded expectation. It was fast, and many times brilliant, although the slippery condition of the turf occasioned by the frost contributed to many involuntary falls, and interfered greatly with the speed of the men. The visitors were late in the field, and consequently the latter stages of the game was a species of "hide and seek" to the onlookers, however those principally interested might enjoy it.

Liverpool won the toss, and kicked off to the wind. A corner rapidly resulted to the Wanderers, and Gleaves put in a nice shot, but Turner saved Christie's kick finely. Struthers obtained possession, passed to Cox, and thence the ball travelled to Fowler, whose attempt was a poor one, as he had the leather all to himself. Christie experienced similar luck from a pass by Kennedy, and then the Ramblers had a look in. The half-backs brought the ball up, and getting past McKernan, Midwood seemed all over the goal, but Young lunging up sideways, charged him heavily and kicked out. After another attempt from a corner by the Wanderers, the ball again travelled the length of the field, and McKernan, being nonplussed by Earle in tacking, kicked out. Most of the play up till now had been on the wing between Steel and Jones, Acton and Earle, the latter pair doing good work, whilst Cox and Fowler prevented any liberties on behalf of Bateson and Metcalfe on the other side. More corners to Bolton and sharp business in front of goal, but Heald performed marvellous feats, returning shot after shot with an ability which would render him an acquisition to any club. The next noticable feature was a beautiful long drop by Cox, which with a less skilful custodian must have resulted in a goal. A grand attempt by Midwood, an erratic goal kick by Steel, some tough work in front of the Wanderers' posts, resulting in three successive corners to Liverpool, preceded the half-time whistle, neither side having scored. On the change the Ramblers renewed active hostilities, and then by really good play the Wanderers kept the ball prisoner in their opponents' half. Cox, Fowler, and Young were conspicuous, whilst Christie also landed a warm one, which topped the bar. Stewart-Brown hereabouts was invaluable, his white jersey easily distinguishable in the thickest of the scrimmage and his foot repeatedly sending the leather out of danger. At length when the excitement had reached a high pitch Jones centred splendidly to Struthers, who gave Heald as much as he could do to return the ball. The Wanderers' famous centre, however, again got possession, and this time there was no possibility of saving the goal. The cheering had hardly subsided when the Wanderers made another rush, and Struthers was credited with a second goal. The storm now broke, and the light became bad, but the game progressed with increasing excitement, heavy charging being the order of the day, and Young found in Pilkington an equal in his own forte. A third goal for the Wanderers, and a fourth just as the signal was given to cease (which was of course disallowed) left the result of a three to nothing victory for the Wanderers."

BL: "A run by Gleaves, Christie, Struthers and Cox gave Fowler a chance to score but he missed an easy shot. Christie was equally unfortunate, and then Midwood, getting away for the Ramblers, was heavily charged by Young. The Wanderers renewed the attack and continued to press the visitors, but Stewart-Brown and Heald saved repeated hard shots, and when half time was called no advantage had been secured on either side. Coming away, however, the Bolton forwards kept the ball continually in the visitors' quarters, and Struthers scored two goals in quick succession. Darkness intervened, and a snow storm made matters uncomfortable for the players. The Wanderers again scored, and thus won a hardly-contested game by three goals to nil."

FWR: "This match, played at Bolton on Saturday, on a pitch frozen as iron, and before a large and not too impartial assemblage, resulted in a victory for the home team by three goals to none, after a good and well-fought game. The Ramblers certainly thought they scored once, but the referee decided against them on the ground that the ball had not gone through the posts, a decision which, to say the least, took most of the players by surprise!! Steel and Struthers kicked the goals for the winners; Acton the disallowed one for the losers. The match was finished, and the third goal got in perfect darkness. McKiernan played splendidly for Bolton, being well seconded by Gleaves, Struthers, Cox and Steel; Stewart-Brown, Turner, Acton, Pilkington, Earle, and in fact all, worked very hard for the Ramblers

,but there was not enough combined play,and an absence of the passing game;this must be looked to,and then the Ramblers will be by no means a bad team,in fact considerably the reverse.”

F:”In the Ramblers’ team were four old Harrovians and three old Etonians,while the Bolton eleven were nearly all imported Scotchmen.”

Bolton Wanderers:T.R.Wilson(Goal),J.McKernan,J.Young(Backs),J.Gleaves,J.Kennedy(Half Backs); W.Cox,J.Fowler(Right),J.Christie,W.G.Struthers(Centres),W.Steel,E.Jones(Left).

Liverpool Ramblers:J.Heald(Cambridge University)(Goal),E.Stewart-Brown(Cambridge), G.W.Turner(Edinburgh University)(Backs),A.R.Midwood(Old Etonians),P.Bateson (Edinburgh), R.M.Pilkington(Old Etonians)(Half Backs),W.E.Earle(Old Etonians),J.Acton(Westminster School) (Right),E.Baxter(Capt.)(Old Etonians)(Centre),H.T.Metcalf(Oxford University),Dr. J.F.Bateson (Harrow/Edinburgh University)(Left).

(See also “The Ramblers of Liverpool” by Tony Onslow on the Internet)(\*AN has Edinburgh University)

CHECK RAMBLERS INITIALS

Umpires:Parkinson(Bolton) and T.Evans(Everton).Referee:W.Kirkham(Darwen).

FIFTH DIVISION:

Clapham Rovers v Hanover United

Windsor v United Hospitals

CLAPHAM ROVERS 7 (E.A.Ram 3,H.H.Coles,C.Holden-White,J.R.Howard-Maclean,C.A.Lloyd-Jones)  
HANOVER UNITED 1 (A.N.Other)(H.T. ?)(Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>)(At Wandsworth Common)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.156/Bell’s Life 9/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Referee 3/12/82 P.6:

FWR:”The Rovers,as was generally anticipated,had things all their own way ,and won easily by seven goals to one.The goals were kicked by Ram(three),Holden-White(one),Coles(one),Maclean(one),and Lloyd-Jones(one).”

BL:”This match,in the second round of the above competition,was played at Wandsworth Common, on Saturday last,after a very one-sided game,ended in a victory for the Clapham Rovers by seven goals to one.The goals were kicked by Ram(three),Holden-White(one),Coles(one), M’Lean(one), and Lloyd-Jones(one).”

SM:”This match in the second round of the Association Challenge Cup was played at Wandsworth Common on Saturday last,and after a fast game ended in a victory for the Clapham Rovers by seven goals to one.The goals were kicked by Ram(three),Holden-White(one),Coles(one),M’Lean(one),and Lloyd-Jones(one).”

SL:”This contest was decided at Wandsworth in favour of the Rovers by seven goals,kicked by Ram(three),Holden-White,Lloyd-Jones,Maclean,and Coles,one each-to one.”

REF: "This match was played at Wandsworth. The Rovers had it all their own way, winning by seven goals to one goal, kicked by Ram (three), Holden-White (one), Coles (one), M'Lean (one), and Lloyd-Jones (one).

Clapham Rovers: R.A.M.M. Ogilvie (Goal), J.E. Vincent, H.A. Carter (Backs), H.H. Coles, T.G. Hamilton (Half Backs), J.R. Howard-Maclean, F.W. Pawson (Right), E.A. Ram, C. Holden-White (Capt.) (Centres), C.A. Lloyd-Jones, S.S. Sprigge (Left).

SL has N.C. Bailey for Hamilton: he was in the team for the game in SM 29/11/82 P.4 and SL

Hanover United: Clifford (Goal), G. Scoble, Quintin Hogg (Backs), J. Nottingham, L. Harris (Three-Quarter Backs), E.C. Ravani, H. Horsefield, T. Totman, C. Irvine, Whittington, C. Stanning (Forwards).

Umpire: H.C. Humphrey (Old Wykehamists). Referee: C. Hart (Pilgrims).

WINDSOR 3 (T. Brown, A. Dear 2) UNITED HOSPITALS 1 (F. Beard) (H.T. 1-0) (Thurs Nov 30<sup>th</sup> Not Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>) (At Windsor Home Park)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.155-6 / (No teams or scorers in BL/SM) / Sporting Life 2/12/82 P.4 / Field 2/12/82 P.809:

FWR: "These clubs met to play their tie on the ground of the former in Windsor Home Park last Thursday. They may both be termed "combination" teams, the former being an amalgamation of the Windsor Home Park and Grosvenor Clubs, while the "Medicals" are recruited from the various hospitals. The visitors were disappointed by two of their men not arriving but their places were filled by the reserves. The home team soon showed that they were not to be despised, and playing well together, they attacked the "United" goal and seven minutes after commencement Brown scored a goal for them. After this the "Medicals" worked hard, but there was a lack of anything like combined play and at half time the score remained unaltered. On changing ends the visitors worked the ball down to the Windsor goal and a corner resulted. Weakley placed the ball directly in front of the posts and Beard headed it through. After this Windsor kept up an incessant attack on the Hospitals goal, which but for the splendid "keeping" of Mills-Roberts would have fallen several times. Jessop, Beard, and Muspratt occasionally broke away, but the home backs were too good to allow of individual runs, and in the absence of passing the medicals generally had to beat a hasty retreat. Four minutes before time Roberts having thrown out a hot shot Taylor endeavoured to kick it away, but the ball rebounded and Dear charged it through. Within a minute afterwards a clever "middle" by the Windsor "right wing" enabled Dear to repeat the performance, and his side thus secured a well-deserved victory by three goals to one."

SL: "In beautiful weather, and before a numerous company of spectators, this tie in the second round came off in the picturesque grounds situate in the home park on Thursday (St Andrew's day). Ashley won the toss, and having chosen the pavilion goal the medicals kicked off. In a very short space of time the home forwards had taken the ball to their opponents' end, and nine minutes after the commencement of the match, Brown scored the first goal amid loud cheers. This early reverse had a very dispiriting effect on the visitors, and they strove very hard to make matters level; but all their efforts proved futile. Now and then the Hospitals' forwards would break through the home lines, and threaten temporary disaster, but for a greater part of the time the battle was waged in the visitors' territory, and it was only the splendid goalkeeping of Roberts that prevented the Royal Borough

representatives adding to their score. Shortly before the change of ends Cheesman sent in a capital shot, the ball falling on the bar, and travelling the whole length of the (lath) before going behind. Barely five minutes had elapsed after half-time when a corner-kick fell to the visitors. This was splendidly taken by one of the half-backs, and in the space of a few seconds the leather went through the posts off one of the home team amid applause. Subsequently the game was very much a repetition of the first half. The visitors had a chance now and then, but were more often obliged to act on the defensive. Three minutes before time, and just when it seemed any odds on the game having to be left drawn, Dear scored a second point for Windsor, a feat which naturally evoked enthusiastic cheering. Barely a minute had elapsed when the ex-Remnant was again to the fore and lowered the Medicos' colours for the third time. Nothing further resulted, so Windsor retired victors by three goals to one. Muspratt, Jessop, Bennett, and Humphry worked hard for the losers, and Weakley's back play was greatly admired, but the feature of the match was Roberts's splendid goal-keeping."

F: "Shortly after the commencement of the match Brown scored a goal for the home eleven, and just before the change of ends the Hospitals gained a point, the ball going through off Powell, after a corner kick. A minute or two before the stipulated time had expired, Dear obtained a second success for the royal borough and the ball had been re-started barely a minute when the same player repeated the feat. The result was, therefore, a victory for Windsor by three goals to one. The winners had the advantage throughout, but the fine goal-keeping of Roberts prevented any further score."

Windsor: E. C. Kelly (Goal), J. B. Day, A. W. Powell (Backs), C. Crook, J. S. de Bay (Half Backs), P. C. Collins, J. Hawtrey (Right Sides), T. Brown, A. Dear (Centres), G. R. Ashley (Capt.), H. H. Chees(e)man (Left Sides).

United Hospitals: +J. B. Mills-Roberts (St Thomas's) (Goal), A. J. Weakley (Capt.) (St Bartholomew's), F. R. Shannon (St Thomas's) (Backs), J. R. A. Bennett (University College), J. Bolton (St Bartholomew's) (Half Backs), E. Jessop (St. Bartholomew's), E. Humphry (St Bartholomew's) (Right Sides), F. Beard (Guys), H. T. Herring (University College) (Centres), C. D. Muspratt (Guys), J. W. Taylor (St Thomas's) (Left Sides).

+J. B. in FWR but J. R. in SL: Was he or was he related to the famous PNE Goalkeeper Dr R. H. Mills-Roberts who also went to St Thomas's Hospital?

Umpires: F. Stevens (Windsor) and J. A. Southern (St Thomas's Hospital).  
Referee: N. L. Jackson (Finchley/Hon Sec London Football Association).

SIXTH DIVISION:

Upton Park v Swifts

Brentwood v Old Etonians or Old Forresters

Rochester, a bye

UPTON PARK 2 (H. Lafone, S. R. Bastard) SWIFTS 2 (R. W. Thorpe, P. C. Parr) (H. T. 0-2) (Thurs Nov 30<sup>th</sup>) (At Upton)

Field 2/12/82 P. 809//Sportsman 1/12/82 P. 4/Football A Weekly Record 6/12/82 P. 156/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P. 4/Sporting Life 2/12/82 P. 4:

N.B .SM have same scorers as F, but SL have Parr and Keyser and FWR has A.L.Bambridge, Thorpe and Bastard, Mitchell.

F: "This match in the second round was played in Upton Park on Thursday, Nov 30<sup>th</sup>. The ball was kicked off at 2.45, and at starting Barnard made a good run up, and muddled in front of Swifts' posts, when Watson got the ball safely away. The Swifts' right wing quickly took the leather to the other end, and a hot shot at goal was safely staved off by Francis. Upton then ran up, but the shot taken by Mitchell went over. Again the ball was rushed to the Upton end, and E.C. Bambridge in turn kicked over. After the kick-off E.C. Bambridge again ran up, and passing neatly to Thorpe, the latter put the ball through. First goal to Swifts. The next incident was a clever run by Barnard, who, however, kicked over the tape. Directly after Barnett was given another chance, but he slipped in taking it, and muffed his shot, but on the Swifts' half backs promptly returning the ball Parr scored a second goal for his side. On the kick-off E.C. Bambridge, who appeared to be irresistible, again got in, and passed to Keyser, who was, however, off-side, and the chance lost. Barnett then ran the ball up and muddled, earning hands just in front of the Swifts' posts. Ellis put up the ball prettily, but too far, and it went through without touching anyone. Shortly, however, Raven got a clear run up the right wing, and passing with judgment to Lafone, the latter with a well-judged shot, scored a first goal for Upton amid great cheering. A middle by Lafone soon gave Barnett another chance, but the ball went outside. Some good dribbling by Mitchell and Bastard ended in the latter scoring a second goal for Upton by a cool shot, thus equalising the score. The Swifts appeared from this point to flag somewhat, the game having been extremely fast, while the home team played on with vigour, and certainly had the best of the fight. A pretty run by Barnard and Lafone earned a free kick, well placed by King, but cleverly frustrated by Wells-Cole. Soon after Barnett shot at goal, but again outside the post. A run by Bambridge and Keyser gained a corner, followed by a second, on which occasion C.J.S. King got the ball well away. After some close play at Swifts' end, Mitchell, after a good unaided run, took a splendid shot at goal, the ball touching the tape, and on the umpires disagreeing as to whether it went under or over, the referee decided in favour of the Swifts, to the great disappointment of the "gallery", if we may judge by their groans of disapproval. After a good run and shot at goal by Lafone, time was called at 4.15. The Uptonians wished to play for an extra half hour, and, on the Swifts refusing to consent, entered a protest with the referee, no one appearing quite clear as to the meaning of the cup rules on this point. As there will be no Association committee meeting before Dec. 2, the limit date for this round, it was agreed to play off (subject to the protest) on that date at the Oval at 2.15. The Swifts had all the best of the first half, and the Upton team of the second. Both goal-keepers performed well; and of the others, the Bambridges, Thorpe, Parr, for Swifts; and Lafone, Barnard, Mitchell, and Bastard for Upton, forward, and all the backs, rendered excellent service."

FWR (First part): "The first game was played at Upton on Thursday last. Both sides were very strong, but the Swifts, who were the favourites, hardly played up to expectations, and the result was a drawn game. At half time Upton had failed to get a point, while the Swifts had scored twice from kicks by A.L. Bambridge and Thorpe, besides having one goal (Keyser) disallowed for offside. During the second half, though, the Uptonians had the best of the game, and towards the finish pressed their opponents considerably. Bastard and Mitchell each got a goal, and just before the close the latter just failed to score the winning point. Upton were anxious to play on for twenty minutes, but the Swifts refused and the match was played off on Saturday." (See remainder of report below)

Upton Park:W.Francis(Goal),C.J.S.King,W.J.Mangles(Backs),R.S.King,E.D.Ellis(Half Backs),  
H.R.Barnett,H.B.Raven(Right Side),S.R.Bastard,C.Mitchell(Centres),J.Barnard,H.Lafone(Left Side).

Swifts:J.P.Hawtrey(Goal),G.F.Wells-Cole,A.Watson(Backs),T.Morgan,H.Nicholls(Half Backs),  
A.L.Bambridge,R.W.Thorpe(Right),T.B.Hughes,P.C.Parr(Centres),E.C.Bambridge,L.B.Keyser(Left).

Umpires:J.Armstrong(Dreadnought) and L.F.Woolley(Old Foresters).

Referee:C.W.Alcock(Hon.Sec Football Association).

REPLAY:Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> (At Kennington Oval):

SWIFTS 3 (P.C.Parr 3) UPTON PARK 2 (C.Mitchell 2)(H.T. 2-1)

N.B.P.C.Parr was the former captain of Oxford University.

Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.156/Bell's Life 9/12/82  
P.4/Morning Post 4/12 P.2/ Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Field 9/12/82 P.843/Referee 3/12/82 P.6:

SM:"This match in the second round was replayed on Saturday last,at Kennington Oval.The Upton team was precisely the same as on the previous occasion,but the Swifts not only had to enlist volunteers to take the place of G.F.Wells-Cole and T.Morgan,but what was of greater moment still E.C.Bambridge had to resign his position in the field as one of the forwards and play as an extra back in consequence of an injury to his right arm received at Upton.Bastard having won the toss,elected to make a commencement from the western side of the ground,and at twenty minutes to three Parr kicked off from the Clayton-street end.The game for a comparatively short time was rather evenly disputed,till the Swifts,playing well together,went over,when out of a loose scrimmage,Parr sent the ball between the posts.The Upton team on making a fresh start,began to bistir themselves vigorously and,led on by Mitchell and Bastard,made repeated attacks on their opponents' quarters, when,from a corner kick by R.S.King,Mitchell made the score equal.On re-commencing Mitchell, advancing rapidly down the centre,made a strong attack on the opposite goal,but,misjudging his shot,the ball went behind,and Hawtrey had a free kick.When the leather fell among the Uptonites, Lafone,Bastard,and Mitchell sent it whence it came,till checked by Gilbertson and Hughes,who rattling along passed it to Parr,and the Swifts scored their second goal.The ball having again been set in motion,the Swifts rushed to the attack and some smart scrimmages took place near the Upton fortress,when out of one of them Hughes drove the ball under the bar,but the goal was disallowed on the plea of off-side.Having changed ends at half time,the Swifts completely penned their adversaries,and King,Mangles,and Francis had great difficulty in keeping them at bay.At length,after some clever passing in the centre of the play,Parr,getting well over the ball,went gallantly across the ground,and Upton had to deplore the loss of another goal.It was now perfectly apparent that all chance for the success of the Upton team had passed away.Still,they fought on with praiseworthy perseverance till at last,after an unusually powerful onslaught,Mitchell gained the last event of the day a few minutes before time was called.The Swifts therefore won this fine match by three goals to two."

BL:"The Upton played the same team as in the previous match,but the Swifts were much weakened by the loss of Wells-Cole and Morgan(Nicholls:that is W.Nicholls, and Gilbertson were substituted: FWR),added to which,E.C.Bambridge,who received an injury at Upton,was obliged to play at back(played with his arm in a sling:FWR)."

FWR(second part):"The Uptonians had the same team,but (Wells-Cole) ,and Morgan receiving injuries in the final heat of the Inter-Hospital Cup,were unable to appear,and so Nicholls and Gilbertson were substituted..E.C.Bambridge had also injured his shoulder again,and played back with his arm in a sling.The game was again very exciting,but the Upton forwards failed to show so well as at Upton,and the Swifts had on the whole the best of it.During the first half the Swifts scored twice(Parr),and Upton once(Mitchell),while the former had a third goal disallpwed for offside.After change Parr added another point to the Swifts' score,and this was the only only one made until just before the finish ,when a good shot by Mitchell sent the ball for the second time between the opposite posts.The Swifts thus won a most interesting game by three goals to two."

Swifts:J.P.Hawtrey(Goal),E.C.Bambridge(Capt),A.Watson,A.L.Bambride(Backs),H.Nicholls,W.Nicholls (Half Backs),T.B.Hughes,R.W.Thorpe(Right Side),P.C.Parr(Centre),L.B.Keyser,F.Gilbertson(Left Side).

Upton Park: W.Francis(Goal),C.J.S.King,W.J.Mangles(Backs),R.S.King,E.D.Ellis(Half Backs), H.R.Barnett,H.B.Raven(Right Side),S.R.Bastard(Capt.),C.Mitchell(Centres),J.Barnard,H.Lafone (Left Side).

Umpires:A.J.Stanley(Clapham Rovers) and C.H.R.Wollaston(Wanderers).

Referee:C.W.Alcock(Hon.Sec.Football Association).

BRENTWOOD 1(H.M.Rumball) OLD ETONIANS 2 (W.J.Anderson,H.Whitfeld) (H.T. 0-1)(Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>)(At Brentwood)

Field 16/12/82 P.872/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.156-7/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4:

F:"This cup tie was decided on Dec.2,on the ground of the latter (Brentwood).Both sides were well represented,though some of the Brentwood regular members were forced absentees.The Etonians kicked off,and almost immediately hard pressed their opponents,but the head play of the backs prevented the threatened danger to Brentwood.Within fifteen minutes,however,Novelli had a shot at goal for the Etonians,but it was ruled offside.This did not daunt the visitors who,just before half time,scored a goal,the result of a good shot by Anderson.So far the game had been rather against the home team,but after half time,although they soon lost another goal(kicked by Whitfeld from a throw in by Foley),Brentwood played up with the greatest determination,pressed their adversaries, and finally secured a well-deserved goal,the ball being shot through the posts by Rumball from an excellent throw in of Nickisson's.At call of time the Etonians were victors by two goals to one.All played well,the game throughout being hard,fast,and keenly contested.Perhaps,J.E.S.Moore, Nickisson,and Abbott,and Whitfeld,Paravicini,and Foley were the most conspicuous for their respective sides.Kinnaird's kicking in from corners also deserves a word of mention."

FWR:"The home team were deprived of the services of Muriel and Morice,but a splendidly-contested game nevertheless ensued.Chevalier kicked off for the visitors,and after fifteen minutes Novelli got a goal for the Etonians;it was disallowed,however,owing to offside.Nothing daunted,the Eton forwards returned to the attack,and Dunn passing to Anderson,the latter secured a goal just before half time.Soon afterwards half time was called.During the second half the game was very interesting,as both teams worked very hard,Evelyn,Rumball,and Abbott for Brentwood,and Dunn,Whitfeld,and Anderson being most conspicuous.The Etonians still showed to advantage,



and at last, from a throw-in by Foley, Whitfeld secured another goal. The home team returned to the charge with great energy, and a long throw in by Nickisson, enabled Rumball to put the ball between the Eton posts. Nothing more was scored, and thus a finely-contested game ended in favour of the Old Etonians by two goals to one."

SM: "Having won the toss, Nickisson drew up his men in front of the town-end goal, and close upon three o'clock Chevalier started the game on behalf of the visitors. With the aid of the wind the Etonians rather pressed Brentwood, whose backs had plenty of work, and about fifteen minutes after the start Novelli passed the ball under, but was ruled off-side. Directly after the kick off Abbott took the ball the whole length of the ground, but sent it behind. The visitors then came down with a rush, and Dunn passing neatly to Anderson, that player sent in a splendid shot, though the goalkeeper might have saved it. Soon afterwards half time was called. During the latter portion of the game both teams played up splendidly, and fine runs by Evelyn, Rumball, and Abbott, and Dunn, Whitfeld, and Anderson were applauded. At last, from a throw in by Foley, Whitfeld again sent the ball under. Nothing daunted, the home team played up very hard, and at length, from a long throw in by Nickisson, Rumball shot the ball under (2-1). The greatest excitement now prevailed, but no other point being made, a grandly-contested game ended in favour of the Old Etonians by two goals to one. Perhaps Paravicini, Foley, Kinnaid, Dunn, Chevalier, and Whitfeld, were the best of the Etonians, whilst for Brentwood, J.E.S. Moore played a superb back game, and was certainly the mainstay of his side, being well supported by the other backs, and Evelyn, Rumball, and Abbott (forwards) did sterling work."

Brentwood: A.E. Heatley (Goal), J.E.S. Moore, T.H. White (Backs), J.L. Nickisson (Capt.), C.J.S. Moore (Half Backs), W.E. Harper, H.M. Rumball (Rights), E.C. Evelyn, H.G. Read (Centres), F.J. Abbott, B.H.S. Barnes (Lefts).

Old Etonians: J.F.P. Rawlinson (Goal), J.E.K. Studd, P.J. de Paravicini (Backs), Hon. A.F. Kinnaid (Capt), C.W. Foley (Half Backs), A.T.B. Dunn, W.J. Anderson (Rights), J.B.T. Chevalier, C.M. Smith (Centres) H. Whitfeld, P.C. Novelli (Lefts).

Umpires: Rev. J.F.E. Fanning for Brentwood and A.E. Lyster (St Bartholemew's Hospital) for Old Etonians.  
Referee: J. Armstrong (Dreadnought).

ROCHESTER, a bye.

#### SEVENTH DIVISION:

Royal Engineers v Reading  
Etonian Ramblers v Old Carthusians  
Old Westminster, a bye

ROYAL ENGINEERS 8 (W.H. Stafford, R.M. Ruck, W.F. Kincaid 3, "loose scrimmage", "scrimmage", C. Godby) READING 0 (H.T. 2-0) (Wed Nov 29<sup>th</sup>) (At Kennington Oval)

Sportsman 30/11/82 P.3/Berkshire Chronicle 2/12/82 P.5/Field 2/12/82 P.809/Athletic News 6/12/82 P.6/Sporting Life 30/11/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.155/Reading Mercury 2/12/82 P.5:

SM: "A one-sided match in the second ties of the above competition took place yesterday (Wednesday), at Kennington Oval between the representatives of Reading (who drew a bye in the first round), and the Royal Engineers, which resulted in a victory for the latter by eight goals to none. Barnet won the toss, and having chose the western side of the ground to commence from, Fuller, at a quarter to three, started the game. After playing for a comparatively short time, Lindsay running well down the side, passed the ball to Stafford, and the Sappers scored their first goal, while before the arrival of half time Ruck had gained another goal. Having changed ends, the Engineers continued to bully their opponents considerably, and in a little while Kincaid added a third goal to the score; a few minutes later on out of a loose scrimmage, the Sappers were registered with a fourth. Having very little to record as far as any interest in the game was concerned, we need only mention that Kincaid, kicking at goal, the ball hit the bar and went under. Godby gained the sixth, the seventh was won out of a scrimmage, in which Godby and Ruck took part, and as a crowning blow to the hopes of Reading, Kincaid scored the last event of the day just before time was called."

N.B. BC Report is very similar to the SM Report above

AN: "The ball was started by Reading, and not more than five minutes had elapsed when the ball was kicked through the Reading posts by Stafford. The play was almost entirely confined to the visitors' quarters, but no further score was registered against them until close on half-time when Godby middled the ball to Ruck, who sent it through for the second time. After the change of ends the Reading team lost what little form they had hitherto shown, as six more goals were registered against them; only on one occasion during the hour and a half's play did they threaten the Sappers' goal. The ground was very slippery, and there were but few visitors present."

FWR: "This tie was decided at Kennington Oval on Wednesday last, and a very one-sided game resulted in a victory for the Sappers by eight goals to none.." (The rest of the report gives no scorers)

Royal Engineers: C.A. Browne (Goal), B.B. Russell, H.N.L. Dumbleton (Backs), W.S. Vidal, M.A. Boyd (Half Backs), H.H. Barnet (Capt.), C. Godby (Right), R.M. Ruck, W.F. Kincaid (Centres), W.F.H. Stafford, H.E.M. Lindsay (Left).

Reading: S. Hayward (Goal), Edgar Field (Capt.), W.L. Franklin (Backs), T.E. Hill, W.T. (S). Tombs (Half Backs); W. Holbrook, H.E. Walker (Right), G. Sillence, F.G. Fuller (Centres), R.M. Bird-Thompson, C.G. Field (Left).

CHECK READING HISTORY W.H. Tombs?

Umpires: J.W. Martin and N.L. Jackson. Referee: W.E. Denison.

ETON RAMBLERS 0 OLD CARTHUSIANS 7 (No scorers traced) (H.T. 0-2) (Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>) (On the Eton Brocas)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.157/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4 (Result only):

SL: "On Saturday afternoon, in cold, miserable, foggy weather, these clubs met on the Eton Brocas. The Ramblers kicked off, and played a very rough game for the first half time. The visitors, who played well together, scored a goal in the first quarter of an hour, and before change added a second goal to their

credit. After change the visitors had it all their own way, and obtained five more goals, and thus when "Time!" was called, they were victorious by seven goals to nil."

FWR: "On Saturday afternoon, in cold, miserable, foggy weather, these clubs met on the Eton Brocas. A very rough game ended in favour of the Carthusians by seven goals to nothing."

Eton Ramblers: R. Howard, C. Wells, J. Wells (Backs), E. Gardner, H. Hill (Half Backs), W. Weblin, F. Kraeusslach, + H. Neate, E. Jefferies, R. Wheeler, J. Taylor.

+ H. Neald?

Old Carthusians: A. J. Wake, C. K. Harrison, W. H. Norris, A. Amos, W. A. Evelyn, E. H. Parry, L. Owen, W. N. Cobbold, E. J. Wilson, E. T. Hardman, A. J. Last

Umpires: E. C. Kelly and L. H. Parry. Referee: M. P. Betts.

OLD WESTMISTERS, a bye

EIGHTH DIVISION:

Hendon v Chatham

Reading Minster v Great Marlow

South Reading, a bye

HENDON 2 (A. Redford, A. B. Coutts) CHATHAM 1 (Not traced) (H. T. 1-1) (Sat Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>) (At Hendon)

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Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.157/ Sporting Life 5/12/82 P.4/Sportsman 4/12/82 P.4/Field 9/12/82 P.843 (No teams)/Bell's Life 9/12/82 P.4/Referee 3/12/82 P.6/Hendon & Fincley Times 9/12/82 P.5:

FWR: "Played on Saturday at Hendon. The result was a victory for the home team by two goals to one. Two other goals were obtained by Hendon, but owing to the darkness which prevented the umpires from seeing with any certainty the claim for these was waived, so it was agreed that the same should not be scored."

SL: "This match in the second round was played on Saturday last, when, after a fast game, the home party were successful by two goals to one goal. Hendon also obtained two other goals, but owing to the fog, the umpires could not agree as to their validity, and they were given up by the Hendon captain. Chatham, at commencing, had rather the best of it, Hendon being minus a back, and after some ten minutes' play, from a good run up the left, they obtained the first score. The ball being re-started, and the missing Hendon man turning up, the tables were turned, and Morton, middling splendidly, enabled Redford to equalise matters. The game now became very fast, Wilson and R. Redford, behind for Hendon, performed splendidly, whilst the two Conguors did likewise for Chatham. Half-time arrived with the score still at one goal each, though Hendon should have scored on more than one occasion. Ends being changed, the home team continued to have rather the best of it, and the ball being worked down, Coutts rushing in, added another goal to the score. The visitors played up very hard to make things even, but without avail, as Wilson was always at his post, his play

at this point being most brilliant. The ball being taken down again, was passed through the posts by Perry, and from a run by the same player a fourth was obtained, but these were given up for reasons stated above, and "Time!" was soon afterwards called. Chatham played a hard game throughout, their back division in particular, but they lacked strength forward. Mayhew, Coutts, and R. Redford, besides those already mentioned, played capitally for the victors, whilst the Conguors, Lush, and Jenner were best for the losers."

SM: "Played on Saturday at Hendon, and resulted in favour of the home eleven by two goals to one. The home team also obtained two other goals, but the light being bad made it almost impossible for the umpires to see, so it was agreed that the same should not be scored."

F: "This match in the second round was played at Chatham on Saturday, when the home team were eventually left winners by two goals to one. Hendon won the toss, and Chatham kicked off and soon began operations on the Hendonians' stronghold, which they soon afterwards lowered after some good passing. Hendon's missing back now coming on, the game altered considerably; and Morton, with a splendid middle, enabled A. Redwood to equalise matters, and soon after another was scored by Coutts. At half-time the score stood 2 to 1 in favour of the home team. On change of ends, the game was continued with renewed vigour on both sides, especially by Morton, Perry, Congnor, and Collins, but the Hendonians were not to be denied, and two more goals were kicked. But the fog was now very bad, and made it very difficult to see at all, so the home team generously gave up their claim to the score. Soon after this Wilson, by a splendid throw, sent the ball through again; but, as it had not touched any of the players, the goal could not be scored. Time was now called, leaving Hendon victorious as above stated."

H&T: "The above match in the second round of the cup competition was played at Hendon, on Saturday last, when, after a fast game, the Hendon Club was successful by 2 goals to 1. Two other goals were also obtained by the Hendonians, but owing to the fog the umpires could not agree as to the validity of the same, and they were given up. Chatham played a hard game throughout, their back division in particular, but they lacked the strength in forwards. Forward: Mayhew, Coutts, and R. Redford played capitally for Hendon, whilst the two Conquors and Soppitt were best for the losers." (No teams)

Hendon: H. Redford (Goal), F. W. Hotham, C. G. Broadhurst (Backs), R. Redford (Capt.), C. P. Wilson (Half Backs), R. F. Mayhew, R. D. Green (Right), A. Redford, A. B. Coutts (Centres), E. B. Perry, P. H. Morton (Left).

Chatham: Verrall (Goal), E. Conquor, Vaughan (Backs), R. Conquor, Lush (Half Backs), Collins, Soppitt, Bowden, Jenner, Tooth, and another (Forwards).

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THIRD ROUND:

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 6/12/82 P.157:

"The Third Draw for this competition has resulted as follows. The round must be played by January 6<sup>th</sup>. The first named club of each tie has choice of ground."

#### FIRST DIVISION:

Phoenix Bessemer v Notts County

Notts Forest v Sheffield Wednesday

NOTTS COUNTY 4(A.W.Cursham,W.Gunn 2,H.A.Cursham)

PHOENIX BESSEMER 1(F.Godfrey/C. Douglas)(H.T. 4-0)(Wed Dec 27<sup>th</sup>)(At Meadows Ground, Nottingham)

Nottingham Evening Post 28/12/82 P.4/Nottingham Guardian 29/12/82 P.12/Nottingham Journal 28/12/82 P.4/Sheffield Daily Telegraph 28/12/82 P.4/Sheffield Independent 29/12/82 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 29/12/82 P.201/Sportsman 28/12/82 P.3/Sporting Life 28/12/82 P.4/Field 30/12/82 P.930:

NEP/NG:"This match, one of the third round ties in the English Association Challenge Cup competition, was played on the Meadows Ground on Wednesday, the game being watched, with the utmost enthusiasm, by some 3,000 spectators. The match had originally been fixed to come off at the Castle Cricket Club enclosure, but the floods which began to rise on Tuesday rendered this impossible. Notts won the toss, and Emmett on behalf of the Rotherham team kicked off at a quarter to three. Gunn on the left made a run down the wing, and it was at once seen that Notts were superior in every point of the game. A corner soon fell to the lot of the home club, but though nothing came of it, the contest, despite one or two good kicks on the part of J.T. Rawlin, was almost exclusively fought out in the Bessemer quarters. Platts, in goal, kept several shots from going through, while Chapman, Smith, Gunn, and Greehalgh all in turn sent the ball spinning over the crossbar. Rawlin made an attempt to get away, but was frustrated in his intentions, and A.W. Cursham gaining possession, very cleverly scored the first goal for his side. Notts, who had up to this point, been playing only ten men, were now strengthened by the arrival of S. Macrae, and H. Cursham caused Platts to be very active, while Chapman once more landed the leather over the bar. Gunn was once more noticeable for his exertions, and A. Cursham passing the ball to him, the Notts County cricketer managed to obtain the second goal. Soon after the game had been resumed Emmett ran into the Notts end, but Moore, who played exceedingly well, during the whole of the afternoon, quickly caused the game to be transferred to the Bessemer half. H. Cursham sent in a shot which touched the crossbar and went over it, while a corner kick conceded Notts was also headed on the wrong side of the posts. Rawlin and Bennett tried hard to raise the almost continuous siege, but it was of little use as Moore returned the ball every time with the greatest accuracy and effect, and Smith made a shot which struck and rebounded over the bar. Thomas ran down the left wing, but Moore thwarted his effort, and Macrae returned the ball on the right. Here A. Cursham was prominent, and passing to his brother, that player in turn transferred the leather to Gunn, who easily managed to put it between the posts. On the struggle being once more resumed, Lee ran down the right wing, and concluded his effort by kicking over the Notts line. A few minutes afterwards H. Cursham secured what appeared to be another goal, but the point was disallowed on an appeal for a prior infringement of the "offside" rule. In an effort to clear his position Platts kicked the ball hard on to H.A. Cursham, off whom it rebounded under the bar, and the fourth goal was credited to Notts. Gunn ran down the left and centred well, but the chance was badly missed by one of the other forwards. Play for a few minutes

was in the home team's half of the ground, and C. Dobson managed to foul the ball, but it was easily worked out of danger. Gunn had a throw-in which he dropped close to the Rotherham goal, Smith kicking over. A. Cursham made a brilliant run on the right, finally passing to Smith, who at once sent it to H. A. Cursham. A goal resulted, but the point was once more disallowed, and when half time was reached Notts had scored four goals, their antagonists never having been particularly dangerous. On the change of ends Phoenix Bessemer played up with a little more spirit and vigour, though Notts still had the best of the struggle. Macrae, from half back, put in a fine shot, which was just as equally well kept out, while Gunn twice landed the ball over the crossbar. Moore and A. T. Dobson both kicked with the utmost certainty, and time after time the Bessemer goal seemed to be on the point of capture. Platts, however, was very smart in the position he filled, and returned many shots in clever fashion. Thomas and Bennett at this stage played up well, the latter sending the ball over the Notts line. Gunn, H. A. Cursham, and Smith tried hard again to score, but without avail, Platts saving three or four good shots. Bennett and Rawlin showed a fair defence, and Bessemer had a throw in near their opponents' line. The ball was got away by Moore and Macrae, but the Rotherham eleven renewed the onslaught, and Godfrey and Douglas, by some combined play, obtained a goal, this being about the first time that the Notts custodian had felt any cause for anxiety. The home team were conceded another corner, but the kick was a failure, and at the conclusion of the allotted time for play Notts were returned the winners by four goals to one. The victors also gained six corner kicks. For Notts, Gunn, Chapman, Moore, Macrae, and A. Cursham, played well, as indeed, did all.; while on the side of the losers, Rawlin, Bennett, Emmett, and Platts were the most conspicuous."

Notts County: G. Seals (Goal), A. T. Dobson, H. T. Moore (Backs), C. F. Dobson, S. Macrae, H. Chapman (Half Backs), S. G. Smith, A. W. Cursham (Right Wing), H. A. Cursham (Centre), W. Gunn, E. H. Greenhalgh (Left Wing).

(NEP/NG/SDT/SI/F/SM/SL all have C. T. Dobson for C. F. Dobson: this also in first round sources: however, it appears that C. T. Dobson is not correct and that he was C. F. Dobson, as stated in Notts History as in 83/84 the same player was at No 4 and then, as he scored a goal in 2 games in Oct/Nov 83, he was changed from No 4 to No 9 from the 2<sup>nd</sup> round onwards in 83/84. NEP 6/11/83 P.4 referred to him as "the younger Dobson, and a long shot secured the only goal for Notts" with reference to the 1-2 defeat against Aston Villa on 5/11/83) CHECK WITH TONY

Phoenix Bessemer: A. Platts (Goal), J. T. Rawlin, W. Young (Backs), W. Bones, B. Bennett, D. Willey (Half Backs), F. Lee, C. Douglas (Right Wing), A. Emmett (Centre), F. Godfrey, F. W. Thomas (Left Wing).

NOTTS FOREST 2 (S. W. Widdowson, F. W. Earp) SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 2 (R. Gregory, W. Harrison) (H. T. 0-0) (Sat Jan 6<sup>th</sup>) (Trent Bridge, Nottingham)

N.B. F. W. Earp took the corner kick for the second goal and Ledger touched it before it went in so technically it was an own goal by Ledger because Earp could not have scored direct from the corner kick.

Sheffield Daily Telegraph 8/1/83 P.4/Nottingham Evening Post 8/1/83 P.4/Nottingham Journal 8/1/83 P.4/Sheffield Independent 8/1/83 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 10/1/83 P.233/Bell's Life 13/1/83 P.5/Field 13/1/83 P.55/Morning Post 8/1/83 P.2/Sportsman 8/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 9/1/83 P.4/Referee 7/1/82 P.6/Athletic News 10/1/83 P.3:

NEP: "This match, one of the games in the third round of ties of the English Association Challenge Cup Competition, was played at the Trent Bridge Ground, on Saturday. The weather was all that possibly could have been desired, and the ground, the width of which had been increased for the occasion, was in a much better state than might be imagined by those who had seen its condition on the previous weekend. The teams being generally considered as very equally matched, there was a large attendance of spectators, probably mustering 2,500 strong, to witness the proceedings. The Yorkshire men, who brought a good eleven with them, apart from the enforced absence of Malpas, were accompanied by a large body of their own friends and supporters, and consequently there was plenty of excitement prevalent, the applause being of a very impartial character throughout. Sheffield won the toss, and chose the goal nearest the new pavilion, Fletcher kicking off for the home team at half past two. The ball was speedily returned down the Sheffield left wing by Harrison and Cowley, the former of whom was tackled by Caborn. Bentley sent the leather back, after Caborn had dealt with it, and Luntley had to use his hands to save his charge. Earp made a short run, and a claim for a "foul" in the centre of the ground was given against one of the Nottingham forwards. Hudson took the kick, but by good play on the part of Fletcher any danger there might have been was averted, though Harrison quickly returned to the attack only to be well tackled by Hancock, who kicked into mid-field. Mosforth now showed up prominently, and dodging round Caborn, with greatest ease, the first corner fell to the share of Sheffield. Stratford passed accurately to Gregory, who, however shot the ball on the wrong side of the post. Widdowson headed well and made a short run, but if anything the visitors had rather the best of the play in the earlier stages of the game. Cowley was active, and caused Luntley to once again exert himself to clear his goal. A scrimmage took place in front of the Forest posts, the outcome being another corner for Wednesday, which was again taken by Stratford, Harrison this time sending in a shot wide of the mark. On play being continued Harrison and Cowley were conspicuous, the last named passing right across to the other wing, where Mosforth was in waiting. Caborn made a miskick over his own goal line, and the third corner to Wednesday ensued. The Nottingham men appeared to settle down to their work in better style, and from a throw in out of touch Unwin passed to Earp, who in turn crossed to Fletcher, one of the Sheffield backs kicking the ball over his own goal line. Nothing resulted from the corner which fell to the Forest but the attack on the Sheffield citadel, was quickly renewed, Parr sending in a low shot which Wilkinson safely returned. Parr next drove the ball over the Sheffield line, and from the kick out Harrison effected a telling run on the right flank. Caborn came to the relief of his side, but Betts was just as active, and with Unwin successfully kicking and heading the leather into touch, it was not long before another corner kick had to be conceded to the visitors. Stratford again tried what he could do with it, but Parr and Fletcher broke away with the ball in their possession, Betts managing to handle in the centre of the ground. The free kick led to nothing in particular, and Earp, kicking into touch on his flank, the struggle was once more waged in the Nottingham territory. Mosforth was too much for Caborn, though the smart little forward ended by sending the leather over his opponents' goal line. As soon as play was resumed Mosforth again made another dribble down the left wing, but, over-running the ball, Caborn quickly returned it. An appeal for a foul by Stratford was given against him, and Earp became busy, getting down into the left corner, where he middled in very accurate fashion. Widdowson's shot, however, going about a foot on the wrong side of the post. Earp played up very smartly, and Forest had a throw in near the Sheffield line, Wilkinson however saving his citadel from any immediate danger by kicking half-way down the ground. Stratford still further helped his side and Mosforth menaced the home team's goal, when the ball was kicked out in self defence. The corner was resultless, and Unwin ran to the middle of the field, where he passed to Fletcher, Earp finally

kicking wide of the goal."Hands" were soon afterwards given against Mosforth, and a determined attack was made on the Sheffield goal. The pressure was relieved for a few moments, until Bauser again got into the visitors' territory, but the issue of some neat passing by Fletcher, Earp, and Widdowson was the last-named kicked over the goal line. Mosforth was next seen to advantage, and Caborn had to kick out, but the corners taken on the reserved side of the ground were somewhat difficult as there was but little room between the touchline and the spectators. One of the Sheffield men sent the ball into touch, and a brilliant piece of combined play between Fletcher, Earp, and Widdowson, ended in a shot which was within an ace of scoring. A corner kick was taken by the "Reds", but Mosforth came to the assistance of Wednesday, and compassing the greater length of the field, before he was stopped, Caborn had once more to act strictly on the defensive. Hudson took the kick, and Mosforth, working brilliantly, finished up a run by sending the ball over the Forest cross-bar, a course in which he was imitated immediately afterwards by Newbould. Fletcher ran down the centre in brilliant style, but Cowley and Harrison were on the alert, and returned up the left wing, Luntley leaving his position and handing away a good twenty yards from the goal. Fletcher ran and crossed to Earp, who went into Sheffield quarters at a rare pace, finishing up with a screw kick, which dropped the leather well at the feet of Widdowson and Parr. The latter player, however, made a wild shot, and missed a certain chance of scoring, and with the exception of a corner gained by Forest, through good play on the part of Earp and Fletcher, nothing further occurred before half-time. No decisive points had been obtained by either side up to this period of the game, though Sheffield had had seven corners to three conceded their opponents. Little time was cut to waste at the change of ends, and the game was resumed by the Sheffield men kicking off. For a few minutes the contest was confined to neutral ground, but Forest seeming to lose vigour, their antagonists were soon besieging their goal. Luntley stopped the ball from going through, but letting it slip out of his hands, Mosforth, who was standing near him, came up and put it between the posts. The point, on a appeal to the referee, was disallowed on the ground of off side, but two more minutes had not elapsed before Harrison ran down the right wing and passed it at the proper moment to Gregory, who shot the ball under the bar amid the delighted cheers of the Yorkshiremen present. Their enthusiasm was redoubled when three or four minutes afterwards Mosforth threaded his way up the left, muddled with splendid accuracy to Harrison, who again scored, Luntley slipping as he came out to meet the ball. With two goals against them matters looked black for the home team, but though they had to act on the defensive, and Luntley twice handled the ball, they did not lose heart. Earp made a telling run on the left, but Bauser was not quick enough to avail himself of the opportunity, Betts kicking over his own goal line. This corner was taken by Earp, and "hands" were claimed and allowed against Wilkinson, the pressure on the Sheffield position being so persistent the fifth and sixth corners quickly accrued to the Forest. Earp during the whole of the second half played in a particularly brilliant manner, and he was soon seen taking the offensive, his run ending in a kick over the Wednesday line. He was well looked after by Harrison and Cowley, but he managed to evade them, and crossing to Widdowson, the Nottingham captain kicked into touch at the Sheffield quarter distance flag. Unwin and Billyeald made a run, which was continued by Fletcher, a further corner to the Forest being the result. It was without avail, and Mosforth by some energetic play gave Hancock and Caborn plenty of trouble. Hancock and Stratford, for their respective sides, indulged in some long kicks, of which the home team, in the end, had the best, and Earp getting the ball was not stopped until he had sent it flying over the cross-bar. The Nottingham left wing again made an inroad into Wednesday's half, and a fierce scrimmage was fought out opposite the posts. Widdowson seemed to miss a chance, but he quickly got on the ball again, and sent it through out of the reach of Ledger.



There wanted now but fifteen minutes from the call of time, and the game became very much faster than it had been during any previous part of the afternoon. Mosforth and Newbould were to the fore with a dashing run, which ended in a corner to Wednesday, but Stratford kicked behind the line. The struggle was alternately fought out at each end of the ground, Widdowson and Newbould each kicking over the opposing lines, while Earp once sent in a shot, which Ledger had some difficulty in stopping. It was not long, however, before another corner was taken by the Forest, and as the shot was going near the Sheffield citadel, the goal-keeper touched it and the ball went through. The goal made the match a tie, and a scene of excitement ensued which has not been anything like equalled at Trent Bridge during the present winter. No further points were scored up to "time" when the match ended in a tie, both sides, curiously to state, having also had eight corner kicks each. After a short deliberation between the two captains, Widdowson and Gregory, it was decided that the match should be played over again at Sheffield on Saturday next. For the home team Earp was much the best player, but Fletcher also did well in the centre, while of the backs Billyeald and Hancock were perhaps the most noticeable. For Sheffield, Mosforth, Harrison, Stratford, and Wilkinson rendered the most assistance, the first-named working with all the determination and vigour for which he has obtained so high a reputation."

FWR: "The Sheffield captain won the toss, and Fletcher kicked off for the Forest from the Pavilion end at 2.30.. For the first fifteen minutes the Sheffielders pressed the Forest, Mosforth and Harrison making some good runs on the left and right wings, whilst the backs kicked with great accuracy. From this point the Foresters pulled themselves together, and by some wide passing, brought the ball down to the visitors' goal, where two very easy chances of scoring were missed. The ball was now taken down to the other goal, and Luntley and the backs had all their work cut out to prevent the visitors scoring. Half time was called without any score to either side. Soon after the ball was restarted a goal was scored to the "Blades", but the goal was disallowed on account of the offside rule having been infringed. About seven minutes after the interval the ball, by some good dribbling and short passing, was taken down to the Forest goal, where Bentley scored for the visitors. After a few minutes Harrison scored a second goal for them. These reverses and the shouts of their partisans seemed to act as a spur to the Foresters, and they began to play up with a will. Earp, on the left, made some dashing runs, and had he muddled instead of trying to score himself, the visitors' citadel must undoubtedly have fallen. Widdowson put in a lot of useful work, and chiefly owing to him the ball was worked down to the Sheffield goal, when he scored for Forest. Being one goal to the good the Sheffielders played up with energy, Mosforth playing like a demon, his dodging being marvelous, but the Foresters were not to be denied, and working the ball down again a corner fell to them, which Earp took, and so well did he place it that it fell just inside the bar, and touching the goalkeeper in its passage, went through, and thus the score was equalised, much to the joy of their supporters. Seven minutes only remained, and both teams worked well, the visitors having slightly the best of it. Time was called, leaving the match, as above stated, in a draw. In individual as well as combined play the Sheffielders were undoubtedly the better team. Mosforth played grandly, so did Harrison and Gregory, of the forwards, and Hudson and Wilkinson in the back division. Of the Foresters Earp and Widdowson were decidedly the best forward, and Hancock and Caborn full backs. They certainly missed the services of E. Luntley, who was unable to play, owing to illness. One feature of the play was the short passing of the visiting team, which undoubtedly was superior to the long passing of the Forest."

Notts Forest:W.Luntley(Goal),C.J.Caborn,W.T.Hancock(Backs),S.Norman,H.Billyeald,G.Unwin (Half Backs),W.Parr,S.W.Widdowson(Capt.)(Right Wing),W.Fletcher(Centre),F.W.Earp,T.Bausor(Left Wing).

N.B.Lineups for this match have E.Luntley(who played as a forward in the replay),J.Unwin(who was George Unwin in NFCR) ,and G.Fletcher(who was W.Fletcher in NFCR)

Sheffield Wednesday:H.Ledger(Goal),H.Wilkinson,W.Betts(Backs),J.Hudson,W.Bentley,C.L.Stratford (Half Backs),W.Harrison,T.E.Cawley(Right Wing),R.Gregory(Capt.)(Centre),H.Newbould, W.H.Mosforth(Left Wing).

Umpires:A.J.Bates for Notts Forest and H.Muscroft for Sheffield Wednesday.

Referee:J.Armstrong(Dreadnought F.C.,London).

REPLAY:Sat Jan 13<sup>th</sup>:

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 3 (W.Harrison 2,W.H.Mosforth) NOTTS FOREST 2 (W.Parr,F.W.Earp) (H.T. 3-0)(At Bramall Lane,Sheffield)(SDT/NG give Harrison as scoring all 3 goals:same description of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)(SI/SM/SL give 2<sup>nd</sup> goal to Mosforth)

Sheffield Daily Telegraph 15/1/83 P.4/Sheffield Independent 15/1/83 P.4/Nottingham Evening Post 15/1/83 P.4/Nottingham Journal 15/1/82 P.4/Bell's Life 20/1/83 P.4/Sportsman 15/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 16/1/83 P.4/Referee 14/1/83 P.5-6/Athletic News 17/1/83 P.3:

SDT:"It will be remembered that the above teams contended at Nottingham on Saturday week in the third round of the Association Cup,and that on that occasion the result was a tie of two goals,which necessitated the game being played over again at Sheffield.This took place at Bramall Lane on Saturday last under the most miserable of circumstances.The ground,from the soaking it has sustained for a long time,and rain falling steadily during the progress of the game,was literally like a ploughed field,and when the contestants came to grief(which they did frequently) they presented a very sorry appearance.There were 2,000 spectators present,which number,we have no doubt,had the weather been favourable,would have been at least doubled.The Wednesday team were exactly the same as did battle at Nottingham,while there were two alterations in the Notts men,E.Luntley and Sands playing in place of W.Luntley and Bausor.On account of being upon their own domains, the home players started the favourites,while on the other hand many considered that the heavy state of the ground would before the finish militate against their chance,their opponents being a heavier,and to all appearances,a stronger set of players.

At half past two,to the minute,Gregory,for Wednesday,having been successful for the pick of ends, Fletcher kicked off towards the lane.The game had scarcely commenced before Mosforth was ruled off-side and then Parr and Unwin for Forest had shots at the Wednesday goal,the former going over the cross-bar,and the latter on the wrong side of the post.Bentley,Hudson,and Stratford,on the part of the Sheffield men,and Hancock,Caborn,and Luntley for Notts,for a short time,by good sound returns kept the ball in neutral ground.,but the home forwards gradually got nearer the Forest stronghold,and a shot by Gregory was only just saved by Sands.After the Wednesday captain had done a lot of hard work in the centre,the visitors' forwards raised the siege,Earp and Parr showing to advantage.Harrison at last by a rather lucky rebound,got through the Notts backs,and by sheer fleetness as well as great judgment in the manipulation of the ball,scored the first goal for

Wednesday amid deafening cheers. Unwin and Earp threaded their way beautifully up the left wing, and were getting dangerous until confronted by Wilkinson, who returned the ball to Mosforth, whose final effort was splendidly saved by the Notts custodian. Billyeald, Luntley, Hancock, and Betts next distinguished themselves in their respective back divisions by some strong and accurate kicking. After Newbould had just shaved the crossbar, Harrison and Cowley got away again on the right, the former crossing to Mosforth who, by one of the most marvellous screws ever witnessed, got the ball fair in the mouth of the goal, where Harrison had no difficulty in steering it through. In a few minutes Cowley and Mosforth were mainly instrumental in enabling Harrison to score the third goal for Wednesday. The supporters of the home team were now jubilant, it looking up till now a foregone conclusion, but, as it happened afterwards, they almost reckoned without their host. When Hudson had had an unproductive corner kick, and Luntley had successfully intervened with Mosforth, who was making tracks dangerously near the Notts goal, Harrison endeavoured to reduce the Notts fortress a fourth time, but his effort lacked accuracy. Soon after half time was called, the game standing Wednesday three goals and Notts Forest none. On a recommencement of hostilities Gregory and Newbould effected some neat work in the centre, the latter sending the ball over. At last Widdowson (who up to this had been unusually quiescent) woke up, and by a magnificent run on the right, and an accurate centre to Parr, enabled that player to score the first goal for the Forest. Loud and general applause followed this really splendid effort on the part of the Forest captain. The same player about this time put forth herculean efforts to make the game more even, and his example seemed to stimulate his confreres to greater exertions, for they caused Wilkinson and Betts to bestir themselves to keep their citadel from being again reduced. Their struggles were, however, of no avail, for after Widdowson had placed the ball again between the posts and had been ruled offside, Earp secured the second goal for the Forest. Great excitement now prevailed and it was generally thought that the Wednesday men were "pumped out" and that they would have to succumb to superior stamina. This conjecture was, however, of short duration, for during the last 20 minutes the home team held a decided advantage, and marvellous were the escapes of the Notts goal, its custodian three times consecutively saving it in a brilliant manner. Gregory had three or four shots at goal, but this generally good goal getter each time wanted the precision to be productive. On a conclusion of the game Wednesday had won by three goals to two. All the Sheffield men played well, especially Bentley who displayed great judgment, and he was honoured by his admirers carrying him to the dressing room. One or two of the visitors scarcely seemed to play up to their usual form, but on the whole the match was a good one. We believe that before the commencement the Notts Forest captain objected to the ground, alleging that it was not fit to play on."

SI: "Caborn, Luntley, and Billyeald at last relieved their lines, but Harrison secured possession, and taking the ball forward at a rapid rate, crossed to Mosforth." "The Little Wonder" received the ball in a very awkward position, but turning round in a marvellously clever manner, he directed the leather between the posts, Sands making an ineffectual effort to stop it."

"It was then passed from one to another by the Sheffield half backs and forwards, and finally Mosforth crossed splendidly to Cawley, and he, to Harrison, who, ever on the alert, quickly seized the opportunity of scoring Wednesday's third goal."

NG: "....the Sheffield men at the commencement had rather the upper hand, and after Parr and Unwin had both made shots at the Wednesday stronghold, the home team began a series of attacks on the visitors' position, with the result that Sands failed to save a shot put in by Harrison, of Redcar. Again did this player and Cowley become dangerous, and here Mosforth was very

conspicuous by a marvellous screw kick, which landed the ball close on to the goal. Harrison was well up, and was again instrumental in reducing the Forest citadel, while within a few minutes afterwards he scored the third goal for Sheffield."

SL: "Both sides for a while maintained their ground, but ere long the Wednesday took a commanding lead, and Harrison, getting a fair opening on the right wing, ran the ball down admirably, and, dodging all opponents, finished up with a telling shot, which secured the first goal for the Sheffielders. Encouraged by this success, the home team played up resolutely. Harrison did some rare work forward, and he was ably supported by the backs, who kicked well, despite the greasy ball. Once more Harrison got possession, and passed the ball judiciously to Mosforth, who shot it against Hancock, whence it rebounded through the posts. After this Earp was in a collision, and came out limping, so that he could not play with the same dash that he had previously exhibited. Some excellent play was next shown by Cawley, who worked the ball cleverly down the centre, and crossed it to Mosforth, who put it over to Harrison. He made an excellent shot, the ball hitting the cross bar, whence it rebounded through the posts."

Nottinghamshire Guardian 19/1/83 P.12 (No full lineups): "The objections made by the Forest against the qualifications of one or two of the Yorkshiremen, as was announced last week, came to nothing. The Wednesday had, at the suggestion of their opponents, left out A. Malpas from their cup team, and as they had to find a substitute for him, it was hardly likely that the Association Committee would take too narrow a view of the position which such a substitute held in connection with the Club. If the committee had done so, the objections and protests, of which there were so many now, might have become interminable, and it is not every team that has a long list of efficient players to fall back upon, after one or more of their first eleven have been left out. The Wednesday representatives were identical to those who had played in the drawn game on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst., but on the side of Notts W. Luntley and Bausor gave way to E. Luntley and Sands, the last-named of whom took up his old position in goal." "It is said that the captain of the Nottingham Forest objected to the ground, alleging that it was not fit to play on. This protest was stated as having been made before the game was commenced, but it is hardly likely to be maintained, as the conditions were the same for both teams."

Sheffield Wednesday: H. Ledger (Goal); H. Wilkinson, W. Betts (Backs); J. Hudson, W. Bentley, C. L. Stratford (Half Backs); W. Harrison, T. E. Cawley (Right Wing), R. Gregory (Capt.) (Centre), H. Newbould, W. H. Mosforth (Left Wing).

BL/SL have: "W. Harrison (Redcar)". He was indeed the Captain of Redcar during and after this period. Played also in first game.

Notts Forest: J. Sands (Goal), C. J. Caborn, W. T. Hancock (Backs), S. Norman, H. Billyeald, G. Unwin (Half Backs), W. Parr, S. W. Widdowson (Capt.) (Right Wing), F. W. Earp (Centre), E. Luntley, W. Fletcher (Left Wing).

N.B Forwards order varies a lot in the contemporary sources

Umpires: H. Muscroft and J. T. Bates. Referee: J. Armstrong (Dreadnought).

N.B. Sheffield Independent 24/1/83 P.4: "At a meeting of the Football Association last night the objections raised by the Notts Forest Club to the bona fides of certain members of the Sheffield

Wednesday Club, who formed part of the team that was instrumental in securing the overthrow of the Forest Club in the Association Cup competition, were overruled, the officials of the Forest Club being censured for their recklessness in bringing the charge against the Sheffielders. It will be remembered that the Notts Forest Club, through their secretary, raised several vexatious objections. Not content with taking exception to one of the backs, they alleged that Butts, Bentley and Harrison were non-members of the Wednesday Club. The local executive proved that the men named were members, and the next point of objection was rested upon the +size of the ground. Failing to find a satisfactory excuse for the defeat which was dealt out to them, the Notts men again raised the point of non-membership of the players named. Now that the matter has been finally settled by the Association it is to be hoped that the Foresters will accept their defeat with as good a grace as possible after having tried every point. A Nottingham detective was in the town last week seeking evidence of non-membership. The Wednesday men now have to meet the Notts County Club.”  
+Actually as to the state of the ground

#### SECOND DIVISION:

Aston Unity v Aston Villa  
Walsall Town, a bye

ASTON VILLA 3 (O.H. Vaughton, E.C. Davis, Archie Hunter) ASTON UNITY 1 (Wilson) (H.T. 2-0)  
(Sat Jan 6<sup>th</sup>) (At Perry Barr)

Athletic News 10/1/83 P.3/Birmingham Daily Post 8/1/83 P.6/Birmingham Mail 8/1/83 P.2/Football  
A Weekly Record of the Game 10/1/83 P.233/Field 13/1/83 P.55 (No proper report)/Morning Post  
8/1/83 P.2/Sportsman 8/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 9/1/83 P.4/Referee 7/1/83 P.5-6:

AN: "Having been drawn together in the third round of this competition, these two famous midland teams met to test their superiority on the Wellington road grounds, Perry Barr, on Saturday afternoon last, in the presence of upwards of 3,000 spectators. A few weeks back the Unity players accomplished a very smart performance by defeating a strong team of the St George's (which is looked upon as the coming club) by three goals to one, and, as they were reported to be in first class trim at the present time, it was naturally expected that they would make a hard fight of it with the Villans. Both clubs had a strong contingent of supporters, which was easily manifest by the manner in which either side got applauded for any piece of good play. The Villa won the toss, and chose to play down-hill, and at 2.50 Coley commenced operations. Wilson and Heilbron worked the ball in front of the home timbers, where Simmonds retaliated and sent it back to mid-field. Andy Hunter got possession, and indulged in a bit of cool dribbling play, but not seeing an opening, he passed over to Davis, who promptly screwed in to the centre, and, after a smart piece of play round the Unity stronghold, Vaughton was instrumental in drawing first blood with a very nicely directed shot. From the kick off the Camp Hill players made strenuous efforts to equalise matters, and for the next few minutes Anderson, Apperley, Harvey, and Simmonds, had their work cut out to keep their opponents at bay, shots by Wilson, Green, and Coley being unsuccessfully aimed at goal. Coley on one occasion made a brilliant run the whole length of the field, and managed to elude Harvey, but Simmonds was in the way, and, being hard pressed, sent the leather behind. Green took the corner-kick, and after a few exchanges in front of goal, Harvey sent it spinning down the field. "Archie", Brown, and Davis, with a pretty passing run, changed the venue of the play, a shot from the latter causing Matthews to throw behind, giving a corner, of which, however, nothing resulted. Closely following this one of the Unity

forwards handled the ball, and Harvey had a free kick, by which means he planted the ball right into the goal-keeper's hands, who ran out some considerable distance before putting back into play, and for this bit of business another free kick right in the mouth of the goal was awarded to the Villa. A very exciting scrummage, lasting upwards of a couple of minutes, took place, but ultimately Benson cleared the danger. The game from this point grew more exciting, repeated runs being made on each side, whilst the defence of both sets of backs was quite irresistible. A slight collision between Heilbron and Apperley resulted in the Villa man receiving a severe shaking, which compelled his retirement from the field; but five minutes later on, amidst great cheering, he again made his appearance in the arena. A combined rush by the Villa forwards resulted in Matthews giving a corner. Brown took the kick, and placed beautifully in front, Matthews saving the shot in grand style, but scarcely had the ball been punched out but Davis was at it, and without an instant's reflection, he sent in another hot shot, which proved too much for the custodian. Half time was shortly afterwards called, the game standing two goals to nil in favour of the Villa. On changing ends the Unity players, with the advantage of the slope, began to warm to their work, and numerous attacks were made on the Villa's territory. Ultimately, from a throw in by Lloyd, Green essayed a good shot at goal, which caused Mason to use his hands adroitly, but Wilson met the ball on its return passage, and with a well aimed shot succeeded in breaking the ducks egg, as the old saying goes. During the remaining portion of the game, the play was all in favour the home team, but owing to the brilliant defence of Rodgers and Benson, only one more point was added, this being the result of a grand over-head shot by Archie Hunter. At call of time, the game stood three to one in favour of the Villa."

BDP: "This tie was decided at Perry Barr on Saturday, and the afternoon, proving delightfully fine, attracted about 4,000 spectators. The Villa won the toss and defended the top goal, Coley kicking off for the Unity. The latter went off with a dash, and a corner gained off Apperley capitally placed by Pallett. An exciting scrimmage was formed, and a goal seemed imminent, but Mason eventually cleared his charge. The Villa then had a look in at the other end, and a long run by Anderson (FWR says: "a clever run by Eli Davis and Andy Hunter") enabled Vaughton to rush a goal for his side. This early reverse only spurred the visitors to further endeavours to capture the Villa goal, and for a while Harvey, Simmonds, and Mason were kept vigilantly employed. They, however successfully rolled back the wave of invasion, and the Villa forwards, all working together in capital style, made persistent attempts to increase their score. The Unity back division, however, all stubbornly defended their position. (FWR: "A well directed corner kick by Brown") was converted into a certain point by Davis, and it is worthy of remark that this is about the first goal that the Villa has scored off a corner kick this season. Half time was called with the score 2 to 0 in favour of the Villa. Shortly after the resumption, off a throw in by Lloyd, Green put on a run and centred, the Villa custodian repelling the ball; but a sharp return by Wilson secured a goal for the Unity. With an exceptional (run) or two by the Unity forwards, the play for the remainder of the game was in their quarters, the Villa gaining innumerable corners; but the magnificent defence kept them at bay until close upon "time" when an unexpected shot (BM: "a clever back kick") by Archie Hunter (SM: "from a corner kick by Davis") found Matthews unprepared, and the match terminated in a win for the Villa by three goals to one." (Report difficult to read in online version)

SM: "Both teams were fully represented."

Aston Villa:T.Mason(Goal),A.Harvey,J.Simmonds(Backs),D.R.Anderson,C.W.Apperley(Half Backs), O.Whateley,Andy Hunter(Right),Arthur Brown,Archie Hunter(Capt.)(Centres),O.H.Vaughton, E.C.Davis((Left).

N.B. Arthur Brown is also listed as being in the half-back line with Archie Hunter as sole Centre

Aston Unity:A.Matthews(Goal),R.Rogers,J.R.Benson(Capt.)(Backs),Harry Pallett,H.Upton,J.Lloyd(Half Backs),J.J.Wilson,Heilbron(Right),J.Green,E.Dyer,H.Coley.

Umpires:W.B.Mason for Aston Villa and J.Ford for Aston Unity.

Referee:C.Crump(President Birmingham and District F.A.)

### THIRD DIVISION:

Church v Darwen

Blackburn Olympic or Lower Darwen v Darwen Ramblers

CHURCH 2 (J.Crawford 2) DARWEN 2 (T.Marshall,H.Ashton)(H.T.1-1)(Sat Jan 6<sup>th</sup>)(No extra time)

Blackburn Standard 13/1/83 P.3/Blackburn Times 13/1/83 P.7/Athletic News 10/1/83 P.3/Bell's Life 13/1/83 P.4/Field 13/1/83 P.55(No full report)/Morning Post 8/1/83 P.2/Sportsman 8/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 9/1/83 P.4/Referee 7/1/83 P.6:

BS:"A serious mishap befell one of the Darwenians(S.Fish) just before half time was announced and he was disabled from taking any further part in the match.This proved a rather serious drawback to the visitors,who had to weaken the forwards by putting Richmond in the rear in place of the captain(S.Fish)."

AN:"The Darwen team mustered its full strength,with the exception of W.Bury,who had remained at home with the second team,who were engaged in the Lancashire Cup tie,his position being filled by Hodson,a second team man,who proved a complete failure.Church had the help of Chippendale, from the Accrington Club,who was of great service to his old club."

BT:"These clubs met at Church on Saturday,in the presence of 2,000 or 3,000 spectators.The visitors won the toss,and played with the slope of the ground in their favour.Church kicked off at 2.43pm. Rostron got possession of the leather but Chippendale baffled him and lifted the ball forward to Gregson,who dodged Fish and centred to Connell,who missed a good chance of scoring.Weak kicking on the part of "Mac" Holden gave Gregson another chance,but Fish closed with the Church county man and averted danger by a strong kick.It was then taken up the Darwen right wing,shot into the Church goal-mouth by Marshall,and almost breasted through the goal by Mellor.Taylor judiciously opposing,frustrated the attempt to score.Amid loud cries of "offside"Gregson dribbled the leather along the wing,and screwed it beautifully into the Darwen goal,where it was well met by the captain's head,and returned to one of the Church forwards,who shot it into J.Richmond's hands. The custodian of the goal coolly threw it into neutral quarters,but it was again worked up by the Church forwards,who obtained a corner kick,sending the ball behind the goal.The effective tackling of Talbot and Chippendale prevented the full backs from having much work,and kept them in good form. Illingworth and Crawford,by passing the ball,got past Entwistle,who,along with the Darwen goalkeeper claimed "offside" while Crawford shot the leather between the posts,and scored the first

goal sixteen minutes after the kick-off. A good run by Mellor and H. Richmond threatened the home goal but Taylor spoiled their manoeuvres. Talbot pushed the ball on to his forwards, and it was crossed to the left wing, where Gregson made a sure long shot into the goalkeeper's hands, whilst Talbot created a diversion by keeping "Mac" Holden at bay. Richmond threw out the leather, which was returned by a wide shot from Crawford. Illingworth, at close quarters, made a capital shot at the goal when the ball had been worked up the left wing and passed, but Richmond's length of limb and celerity prevented it from dropping immediately beneath the crossbar. The Darwen goal was very much endangered because of the indifferent play of Holden and Entwistle, and the worse than uselessness of a new man named Hodson, who was introduced as half back. Unflinching and effective hard work on the part of the captain, coolness of the goalkeeper, and occasional brilliant spurts of the two backs, was able only to keep the Church forwards at respectable distance. The Darwen forwards were badly fed, their breaking away was wanting of support in the rear. Rostron, Mellor, and Richmond were the pink of the forwards, and Marshall ranked next in order of merit. Once, when the whole Darwen team were setting on the defensive Marshall rushed off with the ball, and a race took place for the Church goal. He was attacked by Wood, but he kicked the ball forward and dodged round his opponent. Taylor, the other back, was now abreast with Marshall, and he tackled him, whilst Horrocks, who had rushed thirty yards out of his goal, met the ball and administered to it a huge kick. From a throw in by Richmond, Mellor screwed the ball very nicely in front of the Church goal, and it was not got away without great difficulty. Then Gregson made another run and screwed it into the front of the Darwen goal, whilst Walton cleverly kept Fish from interfering. Mellor and Richmond dashed away down the left wing, and Richmond with a long shot placed the leather in a direct course for the Church goal. Horrocks fisted it away. Some sharp shooting then occurred in front of Horrocks's citadel, and in applying his fist once more the custodian almost let the leather pass him. Rostron followed up the opportunity with a hot shot into the goalmouth, and Richmond sent in another, but Talbot stopped the attack by purposely kicking behind his own goal. A corner-kick by Mellor was followed by a throw-in by the same player, but Hodson spoiled the chance by heading the ball out of bounds. Mellor gave another chance to his comrades by centring well, but Ashton spoiled it by shooting high over the goal. By some fine dodging H. Richmond and Mellor worked the ball along the whole length of the field, but Mellor's strength failed him at the "eleventh hour" and his feeble shot went wide of the goal. A shot of Rostron's was met in the usual way by Horrocks, but in fisting the leather away that functionary gave to Darwen a corner kick. Out of a scrimmage following a corner kick, which fell to Darwen forty minutes after the start, Marshall placed the leather beneath the Church cross-bar, and so made the score even. Just before half time, Fish, the Darwen captain, was knocked to the ground in collision with Connell, one of the Church forwards, and when Connell helped him to rise it was seen that he was severely injured in the ribs. He tried to play afterwards, but eventually had to leave the field. During the second half of the game Hugh Richmond played half back in place of Fish, and the game was much the same as before, except that Richmond was much missed among the forwards. Rostron played a brilliant game, and frequently led in attacks on the Church goal. Ten minutes after the change of ends Marshall centred the leather, and when Horrocks rushed out to repel it Ashton placed it between the posts. Five minutes later a good rush was made by the Church forwards, and the score once more equalised. Crawford shot the ball into the goal, and Connell held "Long Jamie" upon his back as he attempted to stop the shot. No further score was made on either side, and the game was drawn."



BL : "Rostron now retaliated and made a capital dodgy run,eluding nearly the whole of his opponents,but he could not get past Taylor,and the ball was returned;the first-named,however,soon afterwards made another attempt,and,passing to Ashton,a second goal resulted.Directly afterwards the home goal was again in danger,but Mellor was ruled offside.Connell now broke away down the centre,and with a fine kick,sent the ball over,but immediately a scrimmage took place in front of the visitors' goal,and a shot by Crawford sent the ball to Richmond's hands which,however,he failed to hold,and it was promptly rushed through."

Church:R.Horrocks(Goal),J.Wood,J.Taylor(Backs);D.Talbot(Capt.),P.Chippendale(Half Backs), J.Crawford,W.Illingworth(Right),J.Connell,J.Holden(Centres),J.H.Gregson,A.Walton(Left).

Darwen:J.Richmond(Goal),R.Entwistle,J.("Mac")Holden(Backs),S.Fish(Capt.),J.R.Hodson(Half Backs), T.Marshall,T.Rostron(Right),H.Ashton,J.Whalley(Centres),B.Mellor,H.Richmond(Left).

Umpires:B.H.Taylor for Darwen and T.Barnes for Church.Referee:F.B.Montague(English Association Committee)

REPLAY:Sat Jan 20<sup>th</sup>:

DARWEN 0 CHURCH 2 (J.Connell,J.H.Gregson)(H.T. 0-1)(At Darwen)

Blackburn Standard 27/1/83 P.3/Blackburn Times 27/1/83 P.7/Athletic News 24/1/83 P.3/Bell's Life 27/1/83 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 24/1/83 P.265/Field 27/1/83 P.117/Sportsman 23/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 22/1/83 P.4/Referee 21/1/83 P.6:

N.B.Scorers different in each source:BS for 1883 not on line but check scorers

BT:"The game was played on the Darwen ground in the sight of 3,000 or 4,000 spectators and the Darwen team fared even worse than they did at Church as they suffered their first defeat of the present season.Strive as they did they were unable to score,although their opponents scored twice.In consequence of the political meeting in the Theatre the match was advertised to begin at 1.45,but it was more than fifty minutes after that time when the kick-off was made,owing to the late arrival of the visiting team.

Winning the toss the Darwen men chose to play with their backs to the sun,which was shining brightly.The visitors put the ball in motion,but it was soon worked up to their goal,and a minute from the start Horrocks fell in attempting to repel the ball from his goal.Mellor was there,and although he had the goal at his mercy he shot the leather high over the cross-bar.Immediately afterwards the Darwen left wing pair had another good chance,and Richmond made another shot at the goal which was not well aimed.Keeping up the attack Mellor crossed the ball to Marshall,and that player also shot wide of the goal.Some good dodging by Gregson,the Church county player, caused danger for the Darwen goal,and a free kick resulted.The free kick was taken in the mouth of the home goal,and after rebounding against several players,the ball went through the goal off Connell, Church thus being credited with the first point five minutes after the start.Having re-started the ball from the centre,the Darwen men resumed their attack,but the Church forwards suddenly broke away,and J.Richmond had to rush out of his goal-a very unusual thing with him-and meet the ball,which he returned with two kicks.A free kick was awarded to Church in midfield in consequence of tripping by Entwistle.Talbot kicked the ball to the forwards,but Ashton met it with a splendid

"header" and averted danger. A beautiful exposition of forward play took place in front of the Church goal, Mellor, Rostron, and Ashton each making good shots. "Hands" gave Darwen a free kick, which was taken by Entwistle. Mellor, getting on the ball, made a good high shot, but the ball was prevented from dropping underneath the cross-bar by the application of the goalkeeper's hands. Whalley felled the keeper to the ground as the ball was dropping, but his charge was about a second too late to be of service. H. Richmond returned the ball with a shot that sent it high over the goal. A prolonged attack on the Church goal then took place, and in the end Mellor dribbled the leather into the corner, and centred it. Rostron kicked it forward, but it was returned, and Marshall put it between the posts amid loud cheers. The referee disallowed the score for some reason that was not apparent, and he was loudly hooted by some of the Darwen partisans. Mellor in midfield, being tackled when dribbling the ball, passed it across to the right wing, and Marshall and Rostron took it up to the visitors' goal, where Horrocks met it with a strong kick. Crawford and Illingworth broke away, and, passing well, got the ball close to the Darwen goal line, where Entwistle was applauded for tackling Crawford and allowing the ball to go out of bounds. Marshall had a free kick close to the Church goal, and he placed the ball well, but it was ousted by Horrocks. Bentley took a throw-in, and a good attack resulted, but Horrocks again saved his side. A run down the right wing gave a chance to Richmond, but that player shot wide when the ball was passed to him. Mellor made a good shot and a corner kick resulted, Taylor heading the leather over the goal in defence. Mellor took the corner kick, but it proved unavailing. Darwen had a free kick near the Church goal, but a high kick spoiled their chance. Rostron put in a sharp, low shot, which Horrocks just managed to stop by smartly extending his left arm and altering the course of the ball with the tips of his fingers. The ball was nicely worked up by Ashton and Rostron, and passed to Marshall, who shot it unerringly at the goal, but again the attempt was unfortunate, Whalley applying his head to the ball, and diverting it to the wrong side of the goal. The Church right wing pair caused some interest by the way they worked together, and occasionally the other forwards. Entwistle and Holden met them well, but Bentley and Bury only played fairly, and the Darwen captain (S. Fish), who was injured in the former match with Church, was much missed. Two minutes before half time Crawford put the ball beneath the Darwen goal but the score was disallowed on the claim of off-side. After ends had been changed a long shot was made into the Church goal. Horrocks caught the leather and dodged round Marshall who claimed a free kick in consequence of the keeper having run more than six yards with the ball in his hands. A corner kick and a throw-in followed the free kick, but the Darwen men could not score. About this time the home team began to play with less energy, apparently discouraged by the failure of their brilliant attacks during the first half, and the Church forwards assumed the aggressive. Gregson dodged Rostron, Holden, and Bentley, one after the other, although each in turn tackled him, and finished a splendid dribble with an equally splendid shot into the Darwen goal, scoring the second point for his side, six minutes after the change of ends. Marshall and Rostron made a raid into Church territory, and one of the backs kicked behind. Marshall made a good corner kick, but it was fruitless. Gregson continually won the plaudits of the onlookers by the way in which he dodged Bentley and Holden, and the Darwen goal was much endangered by his most brilliant runs. A short attack was made upon the Church goal, but Gregson again led in repelling the attack, and in times of the smallest danger Wood, in spite of the hooting of spectators, kicked out of bounds rather than let the Darwen forwards get past him. Richmond made a successful run up to the Church goal, but shot wide as usual. During this half of the game the Darwen tactics were met on every hand, and Church had the best of the game. Marshall caused the goalkeeper to use his hands, and Rostron and Ashton infused a little spirit into the occasional attacks made by the home team, but Gregson took the eye of the spectators, and gained the reputation of being the best man

on the field. Each goalkeeper had occasionally to use both hands and feet, but time was called without either side being able to alter the score, the result being a victory for Church by two goals to nil. The result caused great surprise in most football circles."

BS: "W. Bury, who had played in nearly all the matches this season, up to the Olympic match in December, was again played in his old position at left back, and the difficulty of finding a man in place of Fish, who got badly hurt at Church, was obviated by calling in the assistance of J.J. Bentley of Turton, who fortunately had not played in an English Cup Tie with any other club, and being a member of Darwen was of course eligible." + Check W. Bury position

BL: ".....met again at Darwen in the presence of upwards of 4,000 spectators. The home team, who won the toss, elected to play against the wind for the first half, and Connell started the ball. During the first ten minutes the visitors were much pressed, indeed, it appeared that Darwen were going to have matters very much their own way, and on one occasion a well-directed shot by Marshall only just went wide of the mark, and directly afterwards Richmond made a splendid run, and eluded both Talbot and Taylor, but his final shot was a failure. Again did a clever piece of play on the part of Bentley look like being rewarded, but Horrocks threw the leather away. A fine run by Gregson relieved his side, and a claim of hands was given against the home team in dangerous proximity to their goal, and, following well up, a combined rush of the visitors' forwards carried the ball through the posts out of a scrimmage. Directly the game was re-commenced Connell and Holden got away up the centre, but were stopped by Entwistle and Ashton, and Whalley quickly ran the ball to the opposite end, where several fine shots were either stopped by the goalkeeper, or went just outside the posts, luck seeming dead against Darwen. A couple of corners were gained, and both proved unproductive, though Mellor seemed within an ace of scoring on one occasion, Horrocks fisting the ball away. Rostron, by a good kick returned it in front of the Church posts, but Richmond relieved the visitors by inadvertently heading it over the bar. Church then retaliated, and twice Crawford tried without success to get through the opposing backs. A long kick by Talbot helped Church to gain a corner; then Marshall ran down to the visitors' goal, when Wood kicked behind. From the corner Mellor got the best of a tussle with Gregson, and shot the leather through the posts amid loud cheers. An appeal on the ground of offside was at once made, which proved successful. Ends were now changed, and for some time the play was very level. Rostron and Marshall then made a run up to the Church goal, but Horrocks saved his charge at the expense of a corner, which proved of no use. Connell then ran up the ground, but he could not pass Bury, and then a similar attempt on the part of Gregson proved futile, but Bentley, immediately afterwards, by a long low shot, scored a second goal for Church. Darwen, in no way disheartened, worked well after this, and, during the remainder of the game, completely penned their opponents, but owing to the combined back play, and the magnificent goalkeeping of Horrocks, which indeed was the feature of the match, nothing further was done, and the game ended in the victory of Church by two goals to nil."

N.B. This was Darwen's first defeat all season

FWR: "Church scored the first goal, Connell doing the needful. Darwen then got the ball through, but the goal was disallowed for infringement of the offside rule. The decision of the referee was met with a storm of groans and hisses from the spectators who showed themselves very partial throughout the game. After half time Church scored another goal from the foot of Holden and Darwen had considerably the worst of the game until time was called."

Darwen: J. Richmond (Goal); R. Entwistle, J. Holden (Backs); W. Bury, J. J. Bentley (Half Backs); T. Marshall, T. Rostron (Right), H. Ashton, J. Whalley (Centres), B. Mellor, H. Richmond (Left).

Church: R. Horrocks (Goal), J. Wood, J. (P.) Taylor (Backs), D. Talbot (Capt.), P. Chippendale (Half Backs); J. Crawford, W. Illingworth (Right Wing), J. Holden, J. Connell (Centres), J. H. Gregson, A. Walton (Left Wing).

Umpires: J. Wolstenholme for Darwen and T. Barnes for Church. Referee: F. B. Montague (London Association)

BLACKBURN OLYMPIC 8 (A. Matthews 2, J. Yates 2, W. T. Wensley, T. Dewhurst 2, +G. Wilson) DARWEN RAMBLERS 0 (H.T. 1-0) (Sat Dec 16<sup>th</sup>) (At Hole I'-th'-Wall Ground, Blackburn)

+See end of BT Report below. N.B. BT credits Matthews with 3 goals (as does the Olympic History) but BS credits Yates with his second goal as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Olympic goal as above

Blackburn Standard 23/12/82 P.3/Blackburn Times 23/12/82 P.6/Athletic News 20/12/82 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 20/12/82 P.187/Bell's Life 23/12/82 P.3/Sportsman 18/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 19/12/82 P.4:

BT: "Played on the Hole-i'-th'-Wall ground on Saturday, in the presence of about 200 spectators. The poor attendance may be attributed to the cold wet weather and the disparity of the teams. The Olympic goalkeeper never had to use his hands in defence of his goal, and only had two goal kicks throughout, while the "light blues" had 17 corner kicks during the game. Having won the toss, the home team decided to play with the ground in their favour. Two minutes from the start Dewhurst put the ball between the posts, but the point was disallowed on the ground of off-side. A minute later, after a scrimmage close to the visitors' goal, Matthews scored the first goal for the Olympic. During the rest of the half the Olympic had matters all their own way, but they failed to increase their scoring, owing to the selfish play of the forwards. After change of ends they were more combined, and before time was called they had scored seven more goals, winning by eight goals to (n)one. The goals were got by Matthews (2); Dewhurst (2); Wilson, Wensley and Yates, one each. When the last goal was got by the home team, Yates passed the ball to Wilson, and that player and Wensley both kicked the ball together, and it went through the goal."

BL: "...in the first half of the game the visitors defended their goal with great vigour, and only one point, which was kicked by Matthews after a pretty pice of passing by Matthews and Dewhurst, was registered against them."

BS: "The Olympians won the toss, and commenced to play down hill; but, although they pressed the Ramblers during the whole of the first half, they were only able to score once." "The remaining portion of the first half was destitute of much interest."

"With the ground in favour of the Ramblers, Hunter re-started the leather, passing to Wilson, who dashed along the centre with it, and then passed to Yates, who shot it cleverly between the posts. From the kick off the Darweners obtained possession of the sphere, and made a rush towards the home goal, but the ball rolled out. Harrison kicked off from the goal, and Astley meeting the globe sent it forward, and Dewhurst secured a corner kick. He planted the ball nicely in the centre, and Yates receiving it quickly chronicled the third goal. After this a most severe pressure was brought to bear upon the visitors' fortress, and the goalkeeper experienced much difficulty in defending his charge. At last Turner relieved the danger, and the Ramblers made a combined run down the field. Warburton

spoiled them, however, and Matthews secured the leather. Passing to Hunter, that player passed to the left wing, when Wensley, by a screw kick, obtained the fourth goal. For six minutes longer the contest became spirited, but at the end of that time, whilst the light blues were pressing their opponents, Dewhurst, by a swift kick, sent the ball between the uprights. The Ramblers at this stage made one of the finest charges of the afternoon. Norris secured the ball on the left, dribbled it nicely down, and centred, when a good shot was made at the goal. Harrison caught it and threw it away, but had scarcely time to reach the goal again before a second aim was made and it required their combined strength to defend their citadel. During the last quarter of an hour their goal was strongly assailed, and Dewhurst was the first to score again. His example was quickly followed by Matthews, and just before time was called Wilson registered the eighth goal. The Olympic were thus winners by eight goals to nil."

Blackburn Olympic: C. Harrison (Goal), S. A. Warburton (Capt.), J. T. Ward (Backs), W. Astley, J. Hunter, T. Crook, (Half Backs), T. Dewhurst, A. Matthews (Right Wing), G. Wilson (Centre), J. Yates, W. T. Wensley (Left Wing).

N. B. Hacking and Gibson were absent playing for Lancashire v Sheffield.

Darwen Ramblers: J. Fielden (Goal), J. T. Turner (Capt.), W. H. Marsden (Backs), J. Blackledge, J. Yates, J. Lomax (Half Backs), T. Kenyon, S. Smith (Right Wing), G. Preston (Centre), J. Norris, + G. Butterworth (Left Wing).

+As in other rounds alternates initials listed as with E. Butterworth

(BS again has J. Greenhalgh for J. Blackledge as in first round (as does AN) but BT /BL/SL/SM/FWR all have J. Blackledge: used (BT has T. Kenyon: used for T. Lloyd in BS/AN/BL/FWR) (W. Fielding in BS/FWR/BL)

Umpires: L. Monk (Olympic) and J. H. Eccles (Darwen Ramblers). Referee: A. Heaton (Accrington)

#### FOURTH DIVISION:

Druids or Northwich Victoria v Bolton Wanderers  
Eagley, a bye

DRUIDS 0 BOLTON WANDERERS 0 (Sat Jan 6<sup>th</sup>) (At Wynnstay Park, Ruabon)

Bolton Evening News 8/1/83 P.4/Athletic News 10/1/83 P.3/Wrexham Advertiser 13/1/83 P.8 (Short Report)/Manchester Courier 8/1/83 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 10/1/83 P.233/Bell's Life 13/1/82 P.4/Field 13/1/83 P.55/Sportsman 9/1/83 P.3/Sporting Life 9/1/83 P.4/Referee 7/1/83 P.6 :

BEN: "For the second time this season the Wanderers undertook the long journey to Ruabon on Saturday, the object being to discharge their tie with the Druids in the third round for the English Cup. Accompanied by a little band of devoted followers the Boltonians, after travelling through mist and fog for many miles, found the weather at the Welsh village lovely in the extreme, as bright and warm as a summer's day. One of the first things to greet the eye of the visitor was an imposing placard announcing the match, side by side with a poster stating that special trains from Wrexham and elsewhere would be run for the accommodation of those eager to be present at the fray. The

denizens of North Wales have great faith in the prowess of their champions, and evidently undeterred by the five to two defeat by the Wanderers early in the season were quite prepared to stand by the Druids, who had been greatly strengthened. It must not be supposed that Ruabon itself supplies the Druids' team. As one Wrexhamite pointed out to us, the players come from districts many miles apart, though of course they are all bona fide members. For instance Adams the goalkeeper is captain of the Ellesmere Club, and to reach Ruabon he has to take a ten miles' country drive. The Wanderers were told that they were really playing North Wales, something like half-a-dozen clubs being represented. The field at the corner of Wynnstay Park was again the scene of the encounter—a plot of land studded all over with long tufts of grass, the ground falling away to the left from each goal, and much narrower than the regulation width, being only 68 instead of 80 yards. In the event of a defeat the Wanderers were wisely prepared with a protest, but as it turned out it was not necessary to lodge it. Spectators mustered to the number of 1,500 or 1,600, which is an unusually large assemblage for matches at Ruabon. The Bolton team drove up in a brake, and had to wait for their opponents fully twenty minutes, during which time they had to hang about while they listed. It was 2.45 when a start was effected, Struthers setting the ball in motion, the Wanderers playing up the incline, and with a strong sun in their faces. Leaving criticisms for our Football Notes, we will content ourselves with the chief points of what proved to be a very exciting and well-contested game. Gleaves from a judicious throw in from his fellow half back, shot the ball into the goal, but a timely header by Davies returned it, and it was soon away at the other end, where Kernan kicked among the crowd. From this throw in the ball was headed against the Wanderers' post. Then Bolton jeopardised the home goal, A. Powell heading out. A powerful kick by Young again transferred the ball to the Welsh goal, where a neat centre by Scholes found employment for + (J.) Powell. Owen was next prominent with two speedy runs on the right, his parting shot in each case being short of the mark. The Welshmen now made a determined onslaught which lasted too long to be comfortable, and in which all the visitors' back division defended manfully, whilst Wilson kept goal grandly, stopping three or four terrific shots. Then the Wanderers became the aggressors, but the Druids swarmed round the goal and prevented the Englishmen from scoring, one excellent shot by Gleaves being skilfully headed away by Davies. Struthers and Christie put in a good run, but Struthers' final effort was faulty. The Welshmen made full use of their powers of charging, being often unnecessarily violent. Wilson was sent sprawling by Vaughan long after he had delivered the ball, Bowen floored Cow, and + (J.) Powell knocked over Struthers, but in neither case did the referee, who evidently did not think it wilful, allow the penalty of a free kick. A mistake of Kennedy made things look precarious for the Wanderers, as he let in Vaughan when well up, but though Crosse "went" for Wilson the latter succeeded in placing the ball out of danger. Clever alternate heading by the respective captains came in for hearty recognition, and then a dangerous looking shot from the left was well met by Young. Cox and Fowler gained a lot of ground by combined play, and passed to Struthers, but ere he could shoot at goal, Roberts deprived him of the ball. Directly afterwards Cox dashed off, evading the opposing backs, and wound up a brilliant run with a fine shot which Adams waited for admirably and parried with rare coolness. Owen replied with a run little inferior, but with no better success, and soon after another attack on the Wanderers' goal, half time was reached and no goal scored. Playing downhill on resuming, the Boltonians were quickly at the home end, where Christie, Cox, Fowler, and Struthers were alternately busy in endeavouring to lower the Welsh colours. Scholes put in a grand shot from the left, which all but took effect, Adams deftly turning its course. The Druids managed to raise the siege, but the visitors were soon back again, Steel and Scholes bothering the backs considerably, but the two Powells stood up well to the goal, and the younger of the two was forced to kick out. The

Wanderers continued the pressure, but though they often looked on the point of scoring, the desired success could not be achieved, and, at last, the Druids worked the ball to the visitors' goal, where in a short time they had three corners. Struthers contributed one of his best runs, and on being tackled he passed to Scholes, who had a rare chance, but unluckily he stumbled and lost the ball. Once more the Druids attacked the Wanderers' goal, and Bowen managed to get the ball through, but a previous claim of foul having been just previously made the referee disallowed the point. The Welshmen protested for several minutes without altering the decision. The brief respite had a beneficial effect on the Boltonians, who immediately after the kick from goal, rattled away down the ground, where all the forwards strove very hard to score. Christie and Steel won a corner but nothing came of it, and then Scholes was conspicuous for his tenacity, several times taking the ball well up to the goal although he was used to anything but tenderly by the heavy backs. Vaughan and A. Jones retaliated by visiting the Wanderers' end, where Wilson had all he could do to frustrate a shot by Jones. Bolton now experienced a twinge of disappointment, as from a throw-in by Kennedy, the ball was apparently sent under the bar, but the referee ruled that it went over, to the delight of the Welsh partisans. The game was now very exciting as time was fast expiring, and both sides were desperately anxious to score. Struthers headed the ball over the goal, and then with a tremendous long throw in, Powell dropped the ball in front of the Wanderers' posts, where after a fierce scrimmage in which Young, Kernan, and Wilson were kept fully employed, the ball was seen flying through, but to the immense relief of the Bolton division it was fisted out again and passed to Struthers. The latter dribbled it down the centre, but was tripped on becoming dangerous. Scholes, however, fastened on the ball, and with a splendid shot he drove it past the custodian, but to the great mortification of the Wanderers both umpires had whistled on Struthers being fouled, and the referee, for the third time in the match, declared "no goal". A fine shot by Kennedy enabled Steel to head the ball in grandly, but Adams was equal to the effort, and although the Wanderers kept the ball chiefly in the home territory for the rest of the game, when time was called the result was a draw. The next match will take place at Bolton, possibly next Saturday." +Nor R. Powell

MC(FWR has an almost identical report): "This important match in the third round of the English Cup ties was played at Wynnstay Park, Ruabon, on Saturday. The weather was delightfully fine and there were some 4,000 (FWR: "3,000") spectators present. The game was an exciting one and very fast throughout. The Bolton team was the same as that which so easily defeated the Druids early in the season, with the exception that Scholes replaced Jones on the left wing, and the Wanderers anticipated an easy victory. In this, however, they were disappointed, the game ending in a draw. The Druids had the best of the play in the first half, and for a considerable portion of the second half, but the splendid goalkeeping of Wilson prevented them from scoring. About 25 minutes before the call of time (Bowen)-who had the ball passed to him by Crosse-neatly planted it between the Wanderers' uprights. The goal was disallowed, however, on the ground of a foul. Ten minutes afterwards the Druids' citadel was carried, but this goal was also disputed on the ground of a foul, and the goal was disallowed. Some quick and interesting play followed, but no score resulted, and the game ended in a draw."

Druids: H. Adams (Goal), John Powell (Capt.), Albert Powell (Backs), R. Roberts, John Jones (Half Backs); W. P. Owen, E. Bowen (Right Wing), J. P. Davies, K. Crosse (Centres), J. Vaughan, Albert Jones (Left Wing).

Bolton: T. R. Wilson (Goal), J. McKernan, J. Young (Backs), J. Gleaves (Capt.), J. Kennedy (Half Backs), W. Cox, J. Fowler (Right Wing), W. G. Struthers, J. Christie (Centres), W. Steel, J. Scholes (Left Wing).

N.B. BWCR has R.Steel but it was W.Steel as there was no R.Steel as they were both the same W.Steel player. Confusion maybe because W.Steel played both as a forward and then as half-back

Umpires: L.I. Kendrick and H. Smith. Referee: T.C. Slaney (Hon Sec Staffordshire Association).

REPLAY: Monday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>:

BOLTON WANDERERS 1 (J. Atherton) DRUIDS 1 (J. Vaughan) (H.T. 0-1) (F.T. 1-1) (After Extra Time) (At Pike' Lane, Bolton)

Bolton Evening News 23/1/83 P.4/Athletic News 24/1/83 P.3/Wrexham Advertiser 27/1/83 P.8 (No teams)/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 24/1/83 P.265/Bell's Life 27/1/83 P.4/Sportsman 23/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 23/1/83 P.4/Field 27/1/83 P.117:

BEN: "The above teams met on Monday at Pike's-lane for the second time in the third round of the English cup. It will be remembered that in the match on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst at Ruabon neither team scored, and the London authorities ordered them to play again yesterday afternoon. The only alterations in the teams were Williams (who it was said played with Bootle against the Wanderers in the English ties) for John Jones at half back, and Atherton for Scholes on the left wing. The Wanderers were first on the field, quickly followed by the Welshmen, both teams being cheered. The ball was started by Struthers, the Wanderers having their backs to the Deane goal and the home team were at once at the visitors' end, where a foul by A. Powell in goal gave the Wanderers a chance. Steel took the free kick, but the Druids managed to keep the ball out. A grand shot by Young dropped the ball right in front, where Atherton and Steel did some good work, J. Powell ultimately kicking out. Owen now broke away with a good dribble, and compelled Wilson to play the ball. J. Powell with one of his huge kicks, sent the ball well up, Owen just failing to put it under, Vaughan following with a shot over the bar. A foul by Roberts gave the Wanderers another free kick, but nothing came of it. Cox next put in a fine screw just round the post. Owen again came in for a round of cheers, and J. Powell missing his kick, let in Atherton, but he made nothing of the opening. Struthers came in for a lot of charging, being constantly on the ground. Some smart play between Steel and Atherton, Owen and Bowen, resulted in a corner for the home team, but Steel's shot fell short, and the ball was easily placed out of danger. Vaughan and Crosse made a good passing run, and Young falling at a critical moment, Jones kicked a capital goal. The play for a time was now of a fierce description, the players being anything but gentle with each other. The fine kicks of the Welsh captain kept the Wanderers at bay, who for some time were never really dangerous, whereas Wilson had several times to handle the ball. A great shot by Vaughan almost took effect, and then Struthers was badly fouled in the middle of the field, and the usual penalty was allowed. Another corner was soon afterwards gained for the Wanderers, and well taken by Cox. He dropped the ball in nicely, and Struthers headed it in grandly, but Adams saved well. Owen and Crosse dribbled and passed very cleverly, and kept the ball almost continuously at the home end. After a corner for the Druids Atherton passed to Struthers, and the latter to Cox, resulting in a determined scrimmage right in goal, in which the Wanderers were unlucky in not scoring. Half time was then called, the score being one goal to nothing for the Welshmen, who had played a splendid game. Crosse restarted the ball for the visitors, and a good run by Jones on the left was responded to by an equally good run by Cox on the right. Struthers took a shot, but J. Powell stopped it, and his brother sent the ball flying out. Jones and Vaughan menaced the goal from the left, and the ball being centred neatly, Young saved what seemed a certain goal. Cox now took the ball down splendidly, and Adams coming out and missing it, it was just rolling between the posts, when J. Powell



cleared it away amid much excitement. Cox, Fowler, and Struthers worked with desperation to get a footing, but the two Powells and Roberts defended irreproachably. Vaughan and Jones were several times of much anxiety to the Boltonians, but Kennedy and Young brought them up safely. Owen tried one of his screws which went round the post. The Druids came up with a dash, and the ball was driven straight into Wilson's arms. He dodged three of the visitors who went at him, but failing to get the ball far away it was put through by Vaughan. The Wanderers claimed a previous foul which was allowed, and the ball was quickly back at the Welsh end where it remained with slight intermissions for a long time. At length a throw in dropped the ball in front of the Druids' posts where Cox passed to Atherton. The latter shot it in and J. Powell returned it. Atherton, however, came again and with a nice piece of judgment placed the ball above the reach of the goal-keeper and under the bar amid wild excitement, the game being thus equalised within fifteen minutes of time. A corner was given to the home team by the Druids captain, but it was not improved upon. The visitors now took the ball to the Bolton quarters, but its stay was of short duration, and the Wanderers pressed the Welsh Cup holders. Cox headed the ball just too high, and Struthers and Fowler kicked wide of the opening, Steel twice only just missing the mark. Christie then obtained a corner, which Cox supplemented by some brilliant play. Vaughan and Jones transferred the play to the Bolton territory, where Crosse was well tackled by Kernan. Struthers again got in good position, but A. Powell saved, and time was soon afterwards called with the score one goal each. The game was continued another half hour, ends being changed. Atherton ran the ball down and A. Powell kicked out. A low shot by Struthers compelled Albert Powell to again kick out, and Kernan coming up J. Powell was compelled to give yet another corner. Jones ran the ball along the wing in rare style, Owen next shooting the ball well in, necessitating Wilson's handling. Struthers got away down the centre at a good pace, and passing W. Cox the last-named pulled the ball round the post. Kernan put in a lot of massive kicks, and the Welsh forwards kept him pretty busy. Steel had the ball well passed to him, and appeared to have a nice opening, which availed nothing. The Druids got right round the goal, but Kernan came to the rescue finely, removing the ball out of harm's way just as the whistle denoted half time. No time was now lost, and the game waged as hot as ever. For some minutes there was little to choose between the two teams, and then Vaughan and Jones several times jeopardised the home fortress, Young kicking out in self-defence. Cox and Struthers gained some ground, but when the ball approached the Welsh posts J. Powell sent the ball over the grandstand. Time was now rapidly expiring, and the spectators were quiet in their anxiety for the Wanderers to score. Unfortunately their chances were reduced by Christie being injured, as although he was on the ground, he was almost useless. Eventually one of the hardest fought games ever seen ended in a draw. The next move rests with the London authorities. The Druids have lodged a protest against Struthers, Cox, Steel, Kernan, and Scholes (who it will be noticed did not play yesterday) on the plea of professionalism. The Wanderers have protested against Williams on the ground that he played with Bootle against the Wanderers in the same competition, and to prove this Steel and Cox have gone to London today to lay the case before the Committee, who meet at 6.30 this afternoon to decide about the tie. At the close of the match yesterday, the referee said that the teams could play another quarter of an hour if they chose, but the Druids were not willing." +WA credits Atherton with the Druids goal: see below

BL: "Struthers set the ball in motion for the Wanderers, and a raid was at once made by the Welshmen on the home goal, but Young sent the ball back, and the Wanderers ran it down to the other end of the ground, where a well-aimed shot by Atherton was stopped by A. Powell with his hands. The free kick came to nothing, and after some skirmishing in the Druids' quarters, Powell, by a

tremendous kick,sent the ball away.Owen now made a run,and passed to Vaughan,whose shot went behind.The home goal was then endangered and on several occasions was Wilson compelled to throw out.A run by the Bolton left resulted in the gain of a free kick,but this was of no avail,and a neatly placed kick by Cox soon after nearly scored.The Welshmen in their turn were somewhat pressed,then Vaughan and A.Jones,by some combined play,ran the ball to the other end,and the latter placing it cleverly in front of the Wanderers' posts,Vaughan shot it through.(FWR:"First goal by A.Jones,thanks to Crosse and Vaughan.")Again did the fortune of war seem to go all against the home team,and the Druids must be deemed unfortunate that more than one of their well-aimed shots only just missed going through the home posts.Christie and Struthers after this managed to break away,and a clever piece of play by the first-named sent the leather wide of its mark,and directly after this a good attempt by Struthers caused it to rebound from the crossbar into play again.Soon after change the Welshmen narrowly missed scoring from a corner kick.Owen then made a good shot,and Wilson catching the ball,carried it some distance before he threw it out,and Owen getting possession,kicked a splendid goal.Unfortunately this could not be scored,as a claim of foul against Wilson(See Report below) had been previously made and allowed.Cox and Atherton then ran up the centre,and a high shot by the latter gave Bolton a point,thus equalising matters.At the expiration of "time" which took place immediately afterwards,it was agreed to play for another half hour,but no further point was obtained,and the match was thus left drawn."

Wrexham Advertiser 27/1/83 P.8(No full report or teams):

"The Druids virtually won on Monday at Bolton,and but for a hasty claim of "foul" on the part of the Welsh umpire would have been credited with the victory.It is unaccountable that one so experienced as Mr Kenrick should have interfered with the play when the ball was at the mouth of the opponents' goal,unless he was unusually excited.The Press critics are unanimous that at Bolton, the Druids displayed the best tactics and dash.Vaughan is credited with putting the leather through the posts with much cleverness,and Powell is eclipsed by a Bolton contemporary as "The "massive Welsh captain" who was a tower of strength."Crosse,Jones,and the rest of the team share in the general praise and Bill(W.Williams) seems to have been in his finest form,and completely nullified the play of Cox,the Bolton forward.The deciding match will be played at Wrexham,today(Saturday), or Monday next,when the rival elevens will have the advantage of playing on the finest ground in the Principality."

Bolton:T.R.Wilson(Goal),J.McKernan,J.Young(Backs),J.Kennedy,J.Gleaves(Half Backs);  
W.Cox,J.Fowler(Rights),W.G.Struthers,J.Christie(Centres),W.Steel.J.Atherton(Lefts).

Druids:H.Adams(Goal),J.Powell,A.Powell(Backs),W.Williams,J.P.Davies,R.Roberts(Half Backs);  
W.P.Owen,E.Bowen(Rights),K.Crosse(Centre),J.Vaughan,A.Jones(Lefts).

N.B.J.P.Davies went into half backs from forwards for this match.

Umpires:J.Parkinson and L.I.Kendrick.Referee:F.B.Montague(Somerset)

SECOND REPLAY:Monday Jan 29<sup>th</sup>

DRUIDS 1(Doughty) BOLTON WANDERERS 0 (H.T. 1-0)(At Wrexham Racecourse)

Wrexham Advertiser 3/2/83 P.6/Bolton Evening News 30/1/83 P.4/Athletic News 31/1/83 P.2-3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 31/1/83 P.278/Bell's Life 3/2/83 P.4/Field 3/2/83 P.158/Sporting Life 30/1/83 P.4/Sportsman 30/1/83 P.4:

SM:"The Druids played R.Roberts instead of A.Powell,Bowen was removed from the wing to half back in place of Roberts,and J.Doughty and J.Roberts filled the vacancies caused by the removal of Bowen and the illness of Owen in the right wing."

N.B. Bolton protested the result(apparently on the grounds that the Druids goal was offside:see below):but their protest was rejected by the Football Association(Sheffield Independent 5/2/83):

FWR 7/2/83 P.283:Bolton and District Column:"I admit that the Wanderers really had hard lines in having that solitary goal scored against them,but the fiat of a referee should never be undermined by any tribunal or else where is the wisdom of picking one,and another tangible reason why I consider the Bolton club had not a leg to stand on respecting the decision of the referee is that it is a well-known fact the two captains tossed for choice of referee and the Druids won.This very fact is of itself sufficient to satisfy any judge or tribunal."

WA : "The Wrexham Racecourse presented an animated appearance on Monday afternoon,there being assembled some 3,000 spectators to witness the tie between the Druids and the Bolton team, the fact of the teams having already played two drawn games causing additional interest to be taken in the present trial of skill.The weather,fortunately,was all that could be desired,and in spite of the recent severe weather,the ground was in fairly good condition.Having won the toss,the Druids elected to defend the goal furthest from the town,thus having a slight advantage from the breeze that blew from that direction.About 2.50 Struthers set the ball in motion,and it immediately fell into the possession of the Welsh team,who sent it smartly on its way to the Wanderers' citadel,whose defenders had to concede a corner.This was badly manipulated by the Druids,the ball being sent behind the lines by Williams.Another attack was made upon the English goal with a similar result. Struthers next got hold of the leather,but his colleagues played into touch.A claim on account of a trip having been allowed the Boltonians,they got in possession of the leather,which they swiftly took down to the Druids' quarters,and an attack was made on the goal.Powell by a first-class kick,placed the ball in mid-ground,and the Welsh forwards then ran it up the ground,but an erratic attempt at scoring resulted in the ball being sent over the bar.The Druids,after the kick-off,once more attacked their opponents' quarters,but their efforts again terminated with the ball being sent behind the lines.The Druids directly afterwards claimed "hands" unpleasantly close to the Lancashire posts,and on Powell kicking off a well-contested struggle ensued,the ball being eventually sent behind.In consequence of being somewhat hardly pressed,the Boltonians had to concede another corner,but the Welsh team made little of the advantage thus gained,and they played into touch.The Englishmen now assumed the offensive and Cox by a brilliant run got in dangerous proximity to the Druids' goal, when on being charged the ball went harmlessly past the posts.From the kick-off the leather was handed over to the custody of the Druids' forwards,whose career was abruptly stopped in the centre of the ground,on "hands" being given their opponents.The Welshmen,however,again got the ball into their custody and worked their way in gallant style to the English territory,when Kennedy relieved them of the ball,and passed it to Struthers,who rapidly transferred it to the left wing,and on it being centred again Struthers made a skillfully directed shot at the goal,which was saved by a judicious kick from the wary and watchful Powell.The Druids then reversed the order of the game by

making a determined and well organised attack in the English quarters, and the ball at the right moment being passed to Doughty, he sent it through the posts, the result being greeted with the greatest enthusiasm. A consultation then took place amongst the officials, it appearing that the Boltonians disputed the goal on the grounds of it being offside. After some parleying this was not allowed and the goal was credited to the Welshmen. Struthers again kicked off, but the ball immediately fell into the charge of the Welsh who, incited by their success, resumed the game with the greatest vigour. A scrimmage took place in front of the Bolton uprights, but the ball was sent behind. The Boltonians now put on a spurt, and endeavoured by strenuous efforts to lower the Druids' colours. A rush was made at the Welsh goal, and the English looked as if they were going to score. However, the ball was handled by one of the Welsh team, and a free kick was allowed them, but their efforts to score were of no avail, although they caused the goalkeeper to use his hands. The Druids now ran the ball up to the other end of the ground, and the services of the Bolton goalkeeper had to be called in requisition to avert disaster. Struthers getting in possession of the leather, quickly rolled it in the direction of the Druids' territory, and after Powell had ineffectually made an endeavour to arrest his progress, matters looked dangerous, but the shot at the goal just missed its destination. Another attempt was made to score by the Bolton forwards, and a beautiful shot by Atherton just missed its mark. Half time was subsequently called with the ball in midfield.

On play being resumed, the Bolton men at once set to work, evidently thinking to get on equal terms with their opponents. Their forwards passed Powell, but Roberts proved himself a certain kick and saved his goal. The ball was then taken down to the Wanderers' goal and put through, but the whistle having been blown previously, it was disallowed. From a throw in the ball was nicely sent into the Welsh goal, and Adams in stopping a shot, gave a corner. The Wanderers seemed determined to score, and the ball was repeatedly sent in goal and handled by Adams, he being at last obliged to give a corner. Nothing, however, resulted, and Cox forced Powell to kick the ball behind his own lines. From the corner kick the ball was again taken before the goal, and headed over by Powell. Cox was going nicely on the right wing and Williams in tackling him sent the leather over the touchline and from the throw in it went behind the lines. A run by Christy was beautifully stopped by R. Roberts but the ball was again sent up, when Powell headed it from in front of the goal, and Williams sent it into mid-ground. The Wanderers' right wing attacked, and Powell again used his head and saved his goal and after the Bolton backs had spoiled a good run on the left wing, the ball was sent again into the Welsh territory, and Powell kicked away a long shot. The Wanderers, from a throw in near the goal, made another shot, but it was kicked away by Roberts, and Crosse getting it took it up the ground. When met by the backs he crossed it to Vaughan, who made a very good shot. Wilson, however, caught the ball in his hands and threw it out. Powell and his colleagues made one or two capital returns, and Adams again saved his charge, when the ball was kicked behind the goal. A rather exciting bit of play followed. The Druids handled near their goal, and from the free kick handled again, and the ball was sent into goal twice or thrice. The Wanderers showed a stubborn defence to an attack by their opponents, and when at last a shot was made the goal-keeper knocked it back. Doughty and Roberts passed up their wing, and gave Crosse a chance, but he was not up, and Wilson ran out and reached the ball first. Two or three shots followed in quick succession at the Druids' goal, and it could easily be seen that the Wanderers wanted to put on a spurt. The ball was kept in the Welsh territory for some time, and sent over the bar several times, but none of the shots proved dangerous. Shortly after Cox had a good chance, in fact he could not well have had a better, but he missed turning the ball in the shot, and sent it wide. After being behind the Bolton lines, the ball travelled into the Welsh quarters,

and Powell headed back a shot. It was sent into goal again, but Adams proved invincible, and Powell in attempting to kick away another long shot, gave a corner. From the kick Roberts cleared the goal, but the ball was brought back and headed behind by one of the Bolton men. The ball was taken up to the Bolton goal, and Doughty made a capital kick. Wilson ran up and missed the ball, and one of the backs sent it behind their own goal. From the corner kick the leather was sent behind the lines. A. Jones and Vaughan then made a good run on their wing, but failed to pass the backs, and the ball was returned, and a long shot went wide. About four minutes from the call of time both teams strove hard, and the Wanderers were once or twice very near scoring. Adams on one occasion came out of goal in the middle of a skirmish, and hit the ball away. Fowler sent the ball wide, and Adams had just caught a sharp shot as the whistle was blown for "time".

Druids: H. Adams (Goal), J. Powell (Capt), R. Roberts (Backs), J. P. Davies, W. Williams, E. Bowen (Half Backs), J. Roberts, J. Doughty (Rights), K. Crosse (Centre), J. Vaughan, A. Jones (Lefts).

Bolton: T. R. Wilson (Goal), J. McKernan, J. Kennedy (Backs), J. Christie, J. Gleaves (Capt.) (Half Backs); W. Cox, J. Fowler (Rights), W. G. Struthers, J. K. Davenport (Centres), J. Atherton, W. Steel (Lefts).

Umpires: L. Kendrick for Druids and James Parkinson for Bolton Wanderers.

Referee: G. Hughes (Northwich).

N.B. FWR P.283 Bolton and District Column:

"The new man-or I should say-ressusitated member-the Wanderers played in the person of Kenny Davenport was a success, but I would not like to say positively he was or was not a member. Last year he was thrown out of the club as not being very good, whereupon he joined the Gilnow Rangers with whom he played nearly all this season." (He became a regular forward for Bolton and played up to 1892/93)

#### FIFTH DIVISION:

Windsor v Clapham Rovers

WINDSOR 0 CLAPHAM ROVERS 3 (A.E. Ram 2, Howard-Maclean) (H.T. 0-1) (Sat Jan 6<sup>th</sup>) (At St Mark's Ground, Windsor)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 10/1/83 P.233/Bell's Life 13/1/83 P.4/Berkshire Chronicle 13/1/83 P.6/Windsor & Eton Express 13/1/83 P.4/Field 13/1/83 P.55 (No full report)/Sportsman 9/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 9/1/83 P.4:

FWR: "This match in the third round of the English cup, was played on the St. Mark's ground at Windsor. The Rovers losing the toss kicked off with the sun in their faces; notwithstanding this disadvantage they soon scored a goal, Ram giving the final kick. Windsor, after this, played up well, and nothing more was scored up to half time. On changing ends, however, the Rovers played up much better, and had it all their own way, Ram and Maclean each scoring, and the Claphamites thus won by three goals to love. For the Rovers Bailey and Vincent played magnificently, and for Windsor, Kelly in goal, Brown, and Cheesman did all they could to avert defeat."

BL: "The home captain winning the toss, Holden-White started the ball uphill and it was rushed towards the home goal. A good shot was stopped by Kelly, but before he could throw the ball

away, he was charged by White, and both fell, whilst Ram, who had backed the latter up, scored the first point. Windsor then made an attack on the visitors' lines, and for some time their goal was in jeopardy, then Carter and Bailey broke away and resumed the offensive, and for some time the play took place in the home quarters, several corner kicks being gained by the visitors, but nothing came of them. A clever run by Cheesman was just stopped in time, and the ball returned into the centre, from whence a long shot just cleared the Windsor cross bar. Half time was then called, and for some time after this the game presented a most even aspect, each in turn invading the other's territory. Then, after the ball had been sent behind the Windsor lines, one of the backs, instead of kicking it right away, passed it to Powell, who was only a short distance off. The last-named, however, was immediately tackled by Ram, who gained possession; and a splendid shot cannoned through off one of the posts. Good runs were now made by Ram and Lloyd-Jones for the Rovers, but nothing further was scored until close upon time, when a well-directed shot by Maclean obtained the third point, but this might not have been scored had Cheesman played a more unselfish game. The match was thus concluded with the above result."

BC: "This tie in the third round of the Association Cup came off at St Mark's Ground, Windsor, on Saturday afternoon. There was a large number of spectators present. Soon after the commencement Ram scored for the visitors, and this was the only point gained before half time. Fifteen minutes after change of ends Ram secured a second goal for the Rovers and then matters progressed very evenly till a few minutes before time, when Maclean sent the ball between the Windsor posts for the third time. Nothing further resulted so the Rovers retired winners by three goals to "nil". The ground was very heavy and all against fast play, but the game was well contested throughout and was not quite as one-sided as the result would lead one to believe."

Windsor: E.C. Kelly (Capt.) (Goal), J.B. Day, C. Crook (Backs), A.W. Powell, H. Herbert (Half Backs), H.H. Cheesman, A. Dear, C.F. Smith, J. Hawtrey, T. Brown, H.R. Hutchings (Forwards).

Check Smith and Hutchings initials

Clapham Rovers: R.A.M.M. Ogilvie (Goal), H.A. Carter, J.E. Vincent (Backs), N.C. Bailey, O.D. Kerr (Half Backs), C. Holden-White (Capt.), J.R. Howard-Maclean, S.S. Sprigge, E.A. Ram, R.S. Oxley, C.A. Lloyd-Jones (Forwards).

Umpires: H. Humphreys and F. Stephens. Referee: P. Humphreys.

SIXTH DIVISION:

Rochester v Old Etonians  
Swifts, a bye

ROCHESTER 0 OLD ETONIANS 7 (No scorers traced) (H.T. 0-3) (Sat Dec 16<sup>th</sup>) (At Chatham Lines)

FIND ROCHESTER PAPER

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 20/12/82 P.187/Referee 17/12/82 P.6/Bell's Life 23/12/82 P.3/Athletic News 20/12/82 P.3/Sportsman 18/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 19/12/82 P.4:

FWR: "This match in the third round was played on Chatham Lines on Saturday in fine weather, and before a large and enthusiastic attendance. The game was fast and evenly contested until half time,

when the Etonians had scored three goals, chiefly through the good play of Dunn. After change Rochester had some hard luck, nearly scoring on one or two occasions. The Etonians, however, who played better than they have as yet this season, got four more goals, and thus won by seven goals to nothing. Paravicine, Dunn, and Chitty played best for Etonians, and Smith, Woodham, and G. Prall for Rochester. "N.B. Wrongly lists J.F.P. Rawlinson in Goal and H.C. Goodhart for H. Bain

REF: "Played at Chatham Lines today, and won by the Old Etonians by seven goals to none. The game was not nearly as one-sided as the result would infer, for though the winners were decidedly superior in every department of the game, the losers had some very bad luck. Dunn, Chitty, Anderson, Foley, and Kinnaird were perhaps most conspicuous for the Old Etonians, but all played well. For Rochester Woodhams was in rare form, and Ernest Prall sent some good shots in goal."

SM/SL/AN/BL: "These clubs met in the third round on Saturday, on the Lines, at Chatham, when, despite a plucky up-hill game, the home eleven were, as anticipated, easily defeated by seven goals to none. Foley, Kinnaird, Dunn, and Anderson played well for the winners, as did the Pralls and Woodham for Rochester."

Rochester: E.F. Prall (Goal), F.F. Smith, H.G. Thomas (Backs), E. Cooper, Woodhams (Half Backs); G.W. Prall (Capt.), H. Prall, A.H. Henry, S. Henry, C.R. Jones, F. Wyles (Forwards).

(F.F. Smith for J. Smith in FWR?)

Old Etonians: A. Morton (Goal), P.J. de Paravicini, T.H. French (Backs), Hon. A.F. Kinnaird, C.W. Foley (Half Backs), W.J. Anderson, A.T.B. Dunn (Right Wing), A.J. Chitty, H. Bain (Centres), H. Whitfeld, P.C. Novelli (Left Wing).

Umpires: C.H.A. Lock and A. Dumbleton. Referee: R.D. Petri Hon Sec R.E.F.C.

SWIFTS, a bye

SEVENTH DIVISION:

Old Carthusians v Old Westminster  
Royal Engineers, a bye

OLD CARTHUSIANS 3 (W.R. Page 2, E.H. Parry) OLD WESTMINSTERS 2 (W.H. Bury, W.F.E. Sandwith) (H.T. 2-0) (Sat Dec 16<sup>th</sup>) (At Kennington Oval)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 20/12/82 P.187/Bell's Life 23/12/82 P.3/(No report found in Carthusian or Elizabethan)/Sportsman 18/12/82 P.4/Sporting Life 19/12/82 P.4/Field 23/12/82 P.900/Athletic News 20/12/83 P.3:

SL: "There was a large and enthusiastic gathering of the supporters of these two clubs at Kennington Oval, on Saturday last, to witness their meeting in the third round of the above competition. Despite the fact that this is the first year of the Old Westminster's competing for the Cup, it was generally expected that they would put up a good fight with the winners of 1881. These expectations were fully realised, and the game was throughout one of the fastest as well as most stubbornly contested we have seen this season. Parry won the toss for the Carthusians, but there was nothing to favour either position, so that he gained nothing by the choice. The ground, considering the recent wet, was

in good condition, and it was soon evident that the play would be very fast. The Westminster forwards soon got to work, and the first noticeable incident was a free kick in their favour close to the opposite line. For a few minutes the Carthusians were compelled to act mostly on the defensive, but at last a good run in the centre relieved them, and the result was a corner-kick. Evelyn took this, and placing the ball skilfully just under the posts, it went through off Page's face. On resuming, Bury, Crowdy, and Alington, for the Westminsters, and Page, Churchill, and Cobbold, for the Carthusians, worked hard, while the back play on both sides was good. The game was now rather in favour of the Carthusians, and there was a round of applause when Page gave his side a second goal. Nothing more was obtained before half time, and ends were accordingly changed with the Carthusians two goals to the good. On resuming the play continued to be very vigorous on both sides. For some time there was very little to choose between the teams, but at last the Westminster forwards, by a general rush, forced their opponents back, and Bury was able to accredit them with a well-deserved goal. The game now assumed additional interest, but the Westminster hopes were soon dashed again by a third goal for their opponents, the result of a kick by Parry. The score was disputed by the Westminsters, but after long consultation, the referee ruled the goal to be valid. Soon after the resumption a good run along the right gave the Westminsters a chance, and Sandwith's shot taking effect, the result was a second goal. Just before the close the Westminster centres had the opposite goal at their mercy, from a clever middle of Sandwith's. They failed to utilise the chance, and a well-contested match finally resulted in favour of the Old Carthusians by three goals to two. At the finish the Westminsters lodged a protest against the match being awarded to their opponents. They dispute the third goal of the Carthusians on the ground that the ball had been over the line, and that, neither of the umpires being in the position to see, the referee had no power to give a decision."

FWR: "A very exciting match was the result of the meeting between these clubs, in the third round of the above competition, at Kennington Oval on Saturday. For the first few minutes the Westminsters had rather the best of the play, but at last the Carthusian forwards drove their opponents back, and a very finely directed corner by Evelyn, gave them a rather lucky goal, the ball hitting Page in the face and going through the posts. Another score by Page to Charterhouse was the only other point before half time. After change the game continued to be stubbornly contested, till at last Bury was able to score a goal for the Westminsters. This infused fresh vigour into their play, but after a good run on the right, Parry was able to take his side more to the front with a third goal. The Westminsters protested that the ball had passed over the goal line, but the referee ruled that it had not gone out of play, and allowed the goal. The Westminsters for a few minutes had rather the best of the game, and a good run by Sandwith enabled them to obtain a second point. Just before the close a fine middle by Sandwith ought to have produced a third goal, but an easy chance was lost, and soon afterwards time was called with the game in favour of Charterhouse by three goals to two."

"The Westminsters have lodged a protest with the Association against the third goal of the Carthusians. Their contention is that, as the two umpires refused to give an opinion on the question whether the ball had passed over the goal line, and therefore, did not disagree, the referee had no right to give a decision."

Old Carthusians: C.K. Harrison (Goal), W.H. Norris, A. Amos (Backs), J. Vintcent, W.A. Evelyn (Half Backs), E.H. Parry (Capt.), E. Churchill (Right Side), W.R. Page, E.T. Hardman (Centres), L. Owen, W.N. Cobbold (Left Side).



N.B. C.P.Thompson seems to have been the regular goalkeeper, but C.K.Harrison does appear and he is(wrongly it is thought) in the lineup in one source for the later tie v Clapham Rovers:see below.

Old Westminsters:G.Roller(Goal),C.W.R.Tepper,R.T.Squire;(Backs),F.W.Janson,H.P.Robinson(Half Backs),W.F.G.Sandwith,E.H.Alington(Right Side),F.D.Crowdy(Capt.),W.W.Bury(Centres),  
F.W.Bain,W.N.Tayloe(Left Side)

Check Tayloe initial

Umpires:A.J.Wake(Old Carthusians) and G.Stephenson(Old Westminsters).

Referee:M.P.Betts(Old Harrovians).

ROYAL ENGINEERS,a bye

EIGHTH DIVISION:

Hendon v South Reading

Great Marlow,a bye.

HENDON 11(H.C.Clarkson 3,A.Redford 3,J.G.Coutts 2,E.B.Perry,P.H.Morton,"A Bully")

SOUTH READING 1(Not traced)(H.T. 2-1) (Sat Jan 6<sup>th</sup>)(At Hendon)

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 10/1/83 P.233/Bell's Life 13/1/83 P.4/Field 13/1/83 P.55(No full report)/Sportsman 9/1/83 P.3(No teams)/Sporting Life 10/1/83 P.4/Referee 7/1/83 P.6/No Hendon paper report:

FWR:"This match in the third round of the Association Challenge Cup competition was played at Hendon on Saturday last,when the home team,chiefly owing to their really capital combined play, were successful by the large majority of eleven goals to one.Losing the toss,the visitors were left to kick off,and,following up sharply,they were the first to score,the ball being headed through the posts in less than two minutes from the start;this early reverse put the Hendonians on their mettle,and Reading had a very warm time of it,until Morton,rushing in from the left side,the game was made level,and almost immediately afterwards,Clarkson obtained a second;though Hendon pressed their rivals very hard,they were unable to increase their score prior to half time,when,ends being changed ,the attack was renewed with increased vigour,the Reading stronghold falling no less than nine times,before "time" put a stop to the game.The winners have seldom played better,all the forwards passing most unselfishly,whilst Wilson and Broadhurst were always equal to the occasion behind. Hayden,Cripps,and the Rev.Smith Masters played hard for the Reading team,but they were quite overmatched."

BL:"This match was played last Saturday at Hendon,and resulted in favour of the former team by 11 goals to one.The visitors scored in the first few minutes,but after this early reverse,Hendon,playing well together,soon equalised matters.The goals were obtained by Clarkson(three),A.Redford(three), Coutts(two),Perry(one),Morton(one),and the other was bullied through.Wilson especially was in grand form."

Hendon:A.V.Despard(Goal),C.G.Broadhurst,T.G.Stafford(Backs),R.H.B.Redford(Capt.),C.P.Wilson(Half Backs),R.F.Mayhew,J.G.Coutts(Right),H.C.Clarkson,A.Redford(Centres),E.B.Perry,+P.H.Morton(Left).

+BL : "the Rossall and Cambridge cricketer" (BL P.3)

(BL/MP have J.G.Stafford)

South Reading: W. West (Goal), (A.) J. Cripps, H. Harris (Backs), F. Haydon (Capt.), J. A. Danter (Half Backs), J. P. Milsom, A. West (Right), A. Johnson, C. E. Pinfold (Centres), Rev. J. E. Smith-Masters, F. J. Cooper (Left).

Check Cripps. R. Cooper?

Umpires: H. Redford and W. Hewitt. Referee: J. S. Gibson, Cleveland Association.

GREAT MARLOW, a bye

FOURTH ROUND:

Bell's Life 20/1/83 P.4:

"The Fourth Round was drawn on Tuesday with the following result (See below):

Protests against Sheffield Wednesday and Hendon are in course of investigation."

Bell's Life 27/1/83 P.4: "The Committee met on Tuesday evening, and decided that the second protest made by the Nottingham Forest Club was not entertained and the Sheffield Wednesday Club thus have to play the Notts County Club in the Fourth Round. The Bolton Wanderers and the Druids both lodged protests with regard to their undecided match in the Third Round on Monday, but neither was sustained and the Clubs will have to play off on or before Monday next, and it will probably be decided at Ruabon on Monday. The protest of South Reading against Hendon was also rejected."

The first named club has choice of ground and the round has to be completed by February 3.

FIRST DIVISION:

Notts Forest or Sheffield Wednesday v Notts County

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 1 (W. Bentley) NOTTS COUNTY 4 (H. A. Cursham, S. G. Smith 2, A. W. Cursham,) (H.T. 1-3) (At Bramall Lane, Sheffield) (Mon Feb 12<sup>th</sup>)

Sheffield Daily Telegraph 13/2/83 P.8/Sheffield Independent 13/2/83 P.8/Nottingham Evening Post 13/2/83 P.4/Nottinghamshire Guardian 16/2/83 P.12/Nottingham Journal 13/2/83 P.5/Athletic News 14/2/83 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 14/2/83 P.309/Bell's Life 17/2/83 P.4/Field 17/2/83 P.223/Sporting Life 13/2/83 P.4/Sportsman 13/2/83 P.4:

SDT: "Of all the football matches we have witnessed none have been played under more untoward circumstances than the above. Nearly all night and during the forenoon the rain came down in torrents, and the wind blew a hurricane, so that old footballers surmised that it would be impossible to proceed with the match, but as the Executive had already granted the clubs an extension of time, and the last day of extension was the 12<sup>th</sup> (yesterday), they had no alternative but to play. The ground, as to be expected, was "truly awful" and the appearance most of the players presented at the conclusion was truly deplorable. The Notts team played their full strength, but the Wednesday were without the valuable services of Harrison, of Redcar, whose professional engagements would not

allow of his putting in an appearance. This caused Bentley to play forward in his place, and G.H. Bowns took the latter's place at half back (KR: but the lineup has Bentley at half back and Bowns as a forward!).

At 2.25 H. Cursham kicked off towards Bramall Lane, having a little the advantage of a slight cross wind. It was soon apparent that scientific play would be out of the question, dribbling and passing being an impossibility. This was verified when (A.) W. Cursham got past all opposition, but the goalkeeper, and then kicked the ball into his hands, which was not, of course, refused by Ulyett. Mosforth on the left soon after this drew near to his opponents' goal, but Newbould, who came up very opportunely to aid him, got on the wrong side of the post. The ball was put through by H. Cursham, and an appeal for offside was not allowed. His brother A.W. was within an ace of again reducing the Sheffield goal, but the ball was wonderfully well stopped by Ulyett, and thrown by him to a place of safety, where it was propelled by Stratford to Bentley, who effected a neat run on the right, but his last effort was futile. Smith and A.W. Cursham were getting very dangerous, and to mend matters, or otherwise, Betts made a misskick, which was mainly instrumental in Smith placing the ball a second time between the Wednesday posts. The Notts County partisans (of whom there was a large contingent present) were now reasonably jubilant, and loud and long were the plaudits for any special efforts put forward by their countymen. Not long after, however, these expressions of delight were partly derogated from, as Bentley, by a long and accurate shot, scored the first goal (and as it proved the only one) for Wednesday. Both sides went to work with vigour. Both goals had narrow escapes, the Notts one especially, as after Mosforth, Newbould, and Cawley had worked hard to reach that stronghold, the former fell down in the mouth of the goal when success was at his toe-ends. Then Gunn had two tries at his unparalleled throws in, the ball both times being put through, the first by (A.) W. Cursham (who was ruled offside), and the second being headed through by A.W. Cursham, and thus registering the third goal for Notts County."

"Half time arrived with the game three goals in favour of Notts with one to Wednesday. Hudson and Bowns worked hard, their combined efforts requiring all Gillett's exertions in goal, which he kept without a fault. Gregory soon after had the goal at his mercy, but his shot was very erratic. Gillett had again to use his hands from a magnificent shot by Bentley, but as a rule he had always plenty of time to get rid of the ball, his opposing forwards not being far enough up when required. Evidence of fatigue was now apparent amongst nearly all the combatants, but Macrae, Moore, and Gunn for Notts (though the latter was far too selfish, sticking to the ball too much when he had plenty of chances to get rid of it creditably), and Hudson and Ulyett for Wednesday, playing up strongest. A fourth goal was put to the credit of the County, a shot by Smith going through between the bottom of the posts and Ulyett's hands, a nasty place to stop a ball. Notts twice before the conclusion forced the ball between the Wednesday goal, but both were palpably offside, and appeals were at once conceded by the referee. Eventually the match ended in favour of Notts County by four goals to one. Macrae and H. (A.) Cursham were both placed hors de combat during the progress of the game, but they both seemed all right at the termination. There were about 2,000 persons present, whose numbers would at least have trebled had that seemingly-never-to-be-attained fine day presented itself."

NEP/NG: "The weather was of the most miserable character. Rain fell heavily during the whole of the morning, and continued to descend in torrents throughout the whole match. It is not too much to say that the pitch was reduced to the state of a positive quagmire, and if Monday had not been the last on which the game could be played, according to the limit allowed by the Association, the match

would, no doubt, have been postponed. Under these unfortunate circumstances it would not have been surprising if there had been less than a hundred spectators present, but as showing the vast interest in the result, it may be stated that there were fully 3,000 onlookers, many people coming from Nottingham and the surrounding districts. The Notts Eleven were exactly as had been advertised, but the Wednesday team were much weakened by the absence of Harrison, of Redcar, whose place was taken by Bowns. The Sheffield captain won the toss, and H.A. Cursham kicked off. Five minutes had hardly elapsed before the two Curshams accomplished a piece of smart crossing, and the younger one getting a chance eluded Ulyett, and elicited tremendous rounds of cheers by scoring the first goal for the visitors. After this the visitors still continued to take the lead. Macrae, the two Dobsons, Smith, and Moore did a lot of work, while for Wednesday those who were performing best were Hudson, Cowley, Bentley, and Stratford. Mosforth appeared weak, and was well taken care of by A.T. Dobson. At last Notts obtained their second goal, Smith putting in the final touch after a clever and timely cross by A.W. Cursham. It now appeared as if the visitors were about to have matters all their own way, but the Sheffielders were roused to renewed action, Cowley passing prettily to Bentley on the right, and the latter, by means of a really magnificent long shot, reducing the Notts citadel, the ball passing through out of Gillott's reach. Wild excitement followed this goal, but the spirits of the Sheffielders were considerably dampened shortly afterwards, as, from a magnificent throw-in by Gunn, A.W. Cursham headed a third goal for Notts, half-time being called with the game standing at three goals to one in favour of Notts. The change of ends brought no relief to Wednesday. They were still pressed, and, despite that Notts were literally playing in a field of mud, all their men exhibited really magnificent form. Eventually they scored a fourth goal, Smith doing the business by a side shot, and then two other goals were obtained, but they were disallowed on the plea of offside. Eventually "time" arrived, leaving Notts the victors by four goals to one. The winners played grandly to a man, and there cannot be a question that the better team won, Wednesday were overmatched, and in our opinion are not so strong as last year."

Sheffield Wednesday: G. Ulyett (Goal); H. Wilkinson, W. Betts (Backs); J. Hudson, W. Bentley, C.L. Stratford (Half Backs) W.H. Mosforth, H. Newbould (Left Wing), R. Gregory (Capt.) (Centre), G.H. Bowns, T.E. Cawley (Right Wing) (SDT/NEP specified positions)

Notts County: L.F. Gillett (Goal), A.T. Dobson, H.T. Moore (Backs), C.F. Dobson, S. Macrae, H. Chapman (Half Backs), S.G. Smith, A.W. Cursham (Right Wing), H.A. Cursham (Centre), E.H. Greenhalgh (Capt.), W. Gunn. (Capt.) (Left Wing).

N.B. NJ/ AN/SM have C.T. Dobson but NEP/NG have C.F. Dobson

Umpires: Cropper and Ashwell. Referee: M.P. Betts (Old Harrovians).

## SECOND DIVISION:

Aston Villa v Walsall Town

ASTON VILLA 2 (O.H. Vaughton, Arthur Brown) WALSALL TOWN 1 (C. Hill) (H.T. 1-1) (Sat Jan 27<sup>th</sup>) (At Perry Bar, Birmingham)

Birmingham Daily Post 29/1/83 P.7/Athletic News 31/1/83 P.2/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 31/1/83 P.278/Bell's Life 3/2/83 P.4/Sporting Life 30/1/83 P.4/Sportsman 29/1/83 P.4:/Field 3/2/83 P.158/Referee 28/1/83 P.5:

BDP: "These clubs met at Perry Barr on Saturday to play off their tie in the above competition. Owing to the fall of snow in the morning, succeeded by heavy rain, the ground was in a shocking condition, the play at times being carried on in a large pool of water. Notwithstanding the adverse state of affairs over 3,000 persons assembled to cheer their respective partisans. Just before the players entered the field the sun burst forth, which made matters a little more endurable. Newman won the toss for Walsall, and placed his men to defend the top end, with the sun, hill, and a strong wind in their favour. Archie Hunter commenced hostilities with a tip to Brown, but Bradbury got possession and crossed the ball to his right wing. Arblaster making a run down the field and centreing, Hill was enabled to score the first goal for Walsall in less than a minute from the start. Caught napping thus early, Hunter called upon his men, and they fought a hard uphill game against the wind, and water, and then Bird again got away for Walsall, and a direct shot for goal was repelled by Mason. The Villa again beat up against the wind, and Andy Hunter had a chance given him, but only gained a corner, which was cleared. Walsall shortly after looked dangerous, a corner kick by Bird being neutralised by Harrison heading the ball over the bar. The Villa then put in some magnificent combined play, Brown, Archie Hunter, Whateley, and Vaughton being especially noticeable, and several screws from the left by Davis were within an ace of scoring. Walsall then had the best of the play, Mason saving his goal twice in succession from shots by Bird and Harrison. Keay was then called upon to defend his goal from Archie Hunter and Whateley, the latter's shot being apparently through before the Walsall custodian threw out, but the referee was not called upon to exercise his functions. After Newman had beautifully placed a free kick, Archie put on a splendid run up the centre, backed up by his coadjutor Brown, and when well up passed to his brother, who, when passed by Taylor, entrusted Whateley with the ball. The latter spurted well in a shot; Newman interposed, and partially stopped the ball, but Whateley, well following up, got the leather across to Vaughton, as Keay came running to the rescue, and so leaving his goal unprotected, Vaughton easily put the ball through, and equalised matters. Thus encouraged the Villa made two more determined attacks on the Walsall goal, but Collington, Dodsworth, and Reynolds averted the danger, and half time was then called. Bradbury restarted, and Vaughton at once put Keay on his mettle as a goalkeeper, and a corner placed by Andy Hunter resulted in a fine scrimmage, but the Walsall men worked best and hardest, and cleared their goal, but could not take the play far against the wind. Keay now showed up finely, Archie Hunter, Brown, Vaughton, and Whateley each testing his resources to the utmost; and then Archie Hunter and Whateley successfully baffled Dodsworth and Taylor, and Archie Hunter, having the ball passed to him by Whateley, got well in, and Brown put the finishing touch to a smart bit of combined play, and made the score 2 to 1 in favour of the Villa. From now until the finish play was principally confined to the Walsall goal and the defenders were kept in a state of siege, with an exceptional breakaway, Hill on one occasion eliciting a cheer for a smart bit of work, but no alteration was made in the score. Keay in goal, and Reynolds, Dodsworth, and Collington, were in capital form for Walsall behind, and the whole of the forwards worked well, with the exception of Bird, who is too fond of lying off-side. The Villa played a magnificent game, the first half against the wind, but could not gauge it sufficiently the second half, when playing with it, otherwise the score would have been considerably larger. It is worthy of remark that this is the first time the Villa have won their tie in the fourth round of the English Cup, and they now enter the fifth round with a good chance of running into the final. "

AN: "Played at Perry Barr, Birmingham, on Saturday. The ground was in a dreadful condition, being some inches under water, and consequently all against good play. Hunter started the ball for the home team, and play had not been in progress many minutes before Hill kicked a goal for the

visitors. For a time the game was very even, but eventually Bird had a very near chance of scoring for Walsall Town. Shortly before half time, Whateley, after a good run, passed to Hunter, who centred to Vaughton, and the latter equalised the score. After the change of ends the Villa team had much the best of the game, and ultimately Hunter passed neatly to Brown, and this player put the leather between the posts, this being the only point scored during the second half, the game ending in favour of Aston Villa by two goals to one."

Aston Villa: T. Mason (Goal), J. Simmonds, A. Harvey (Backs), D. R. Anderson, C. W. Apperley (Half Backs), Andy Hunter, O. Whateley (Right Wing), Arthur Brown, Archie Hunter (Capt.) (Centres) O. H. Vaughton, E. C. Davis (Left Wing).

Walsall Town: W. Keay (Goal), S. Reynolds (Back), E. J. Newman (Capt.) (Three-quarter Back), G. Collington, H. Taylor, W. Dodsworth (Half Backs), S. Arblaster, C. Hill (Right Wing), S. Bradbury (Centre), W. Bird, H. Harrison (Left Wing).

SL/SM/F have S. Reynolds: WO does not have initials: Walsall History has T. Reynolds.

Umpires: W. B. Mason (Aston Villa) and J. Adams (Walsall Town). Referee: Rev. F. Marshall (Huddersfield).

### THIRD DIVISION:

Church or Darwen v Blackburn Olympic

CHURCH 0 BLACKBURN OLYMPIC 2 (G. Wilson, +T. Dewhurst) (H.T. 0-1) (Sat Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>)

Shooting Stars History P.41: "Dewhurst, for whom the ball fell nicely enough for a successful pot at goal." Check BS at BL Library as this year not on line (Check KR downloads)

Blackburn Times 10/2/83 P.6/Blackburn Standard 10/2/83 P.3/Athletic News 7/2/83 P.2/Manchester Courier 5/2/83 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 7/2/83 P.294/Bell's Life 10/2/83 P.4/Field 10/2/83 P.189/Sportsman 5/2/83 P.4/Sporting Life 6/2/83 P.4/Field 10/2/83 P.189/Referee 4/2/83 P.6:

BT: "Several thousand spectators assembled on the Church ground on Saturday afternoon, and, if anything, the home team seemed to have the most supporters. Church kicked off, with the slope of the ground slightly in their favour, at 2.43pm. The breeze which blew across the ground favoured neither team, but the sun at times rather dazzled the home eleven. Immediately after the kick off Talbot had a throw in, which was followed by a throw in from one of the Olympic half backs, and +Crossley getting on the ball shot it smartly against one of the Church posts. Instead of rebounding into the field the ball dropped to the ground dangerously near to the goal, but before any of the Olympic forwards could get at it Wood relieved his lines with a strong kick. Talbot, the Church captain, played a dashing game and gave the Church right wing pair a chance which was spoiled by a badly aimed shot on the part of Crawford. Dewhurst, Matthews, and Wilson made many good runs, but the half backs and Wood met them well. For a short time the play was in neutral ground, yet very exciting nevertheless. A long passing kick from Dewhurst to Yates threatened the Church goal. Yates' shot caused Horrocks to rush out of his goal and apply his fist to the ball, which he repelled. Matthews got past Wood and passed the ball over to the left. Yates gave it him back again, and he made a wide shot. The Church forwards found Hunter, the Olympic captain, most difficult to pass, but

when they got past him and his companions they caused the supporters of the Olympic great anxiety. Indifferent play on the part of Crook gave Church two throws-in in succession, and caused the Olympic men to fall back in a defensive attitude. A dangerous shot at the goal was met by Hacking, who caught the leather and kicked it away. Dewhurst then made a rush for the opposite end of the field, but Church got possession of the leather, and renewed their attack upon the visitors' goal. Hacking dashed out and sent the ball away, but Illingworth returned with it, and the attack ended by his shooting it over the goal line. At the other end of the field, Yates, in the left corner, outdodged Wood and passed the leather to his partner, who made a good shot at the Church goal, which Horrocks barely managed to repel. Gregson did not get the ball much during the early portion of the contest, but whenever it was passed to him he played a very nice game, dodging Astley and Crook, and sometimes baffling the tactics of Hunter and Ward. Talbot and Chippendale fed their forwards remarkably well, and the attack on the Olympic goal was kept up for some minutes amid much excitement. Ward was a great supporter of Hacking in this melee, and Hunter, Gibson, and Astley also defended well. By interposing their heads, bodies, and feet, the Olympians eventually got the ball away. A misskick on the part of Wood, gave the Olympians an opportunity and +Crossley made a shot at the Church goal. The leather dropped just over the cross-bar instead of under, and it was caught by Horrocks just behind the goal. Just after this, play being kept in Church territory, Wilson made a short run and put the ball straight into the citadel scoring the first goal exactly thirty five minutes after the kick-off. Responding to the cries of the supporters Holden passed the ball to Gregson, who dodged Astley most skilfully and made a shot which caused Hacking to use his hands. Then Dewhurst returned with the ball to the other end of the field, and shot wide. Another attack was made upon the Olympic goal, and the Olympians were playing in a slightly defensive attitude when half time was called with the game standing at one goal to nothing in their favour.

Ends having been changed, the ball was re-started from the centre at half past three. A rush was made towards the Olympic goal, but a throw-in for the Olympic relieved their lines from pressure. The ball, however, was again worked up on the left wing and a splendid attack was made by Church, Gregson evading every opponent and centring nicely, and Illingworth placing the ball in a direct road for the goal, whilst Connell pounced upon the goalkeeper to prevent him stopping its flight. Though charged, Hacking contrived first to kick the leather, and afterwards to send it away with a blow of his fist, as it returned dropping into his goal. The pressure was only temporarily relieved, but the renewal of it was unavailing. Yates tore away with the ball at his feet, got past both Talbot and Broughton and when tackled by Wood obtained a corner kick. Nothing resulted from this advantage, the Church forwards again getting on the ball, which was passed from Illingworth to Crawford, and then shot wide of its intended destination. Another raid gave Hacking again an opportunity of using both hands and feet, and then the aggressing forwards began to feel the power of Hunter, Gibson, and Astley. Amid cries of "offside" Yates, opposed only by Wood, made a run for the Church goal and put the ball through, but the score was disallowed. Long passing kicks, for which Dewhurst was especially noticeable, got the ball up to the Church end, and Horrocks just managed to avert a shot at his goal when Matthews charged him. Pressing the home team a little the Olympic seemed in a fair way for scoring from a sharp shot by Matthews which Horrocks stopped. Astley foiled an attempt of Gregson to make a brilliant run, but Walton secured the leather and crossed it over to the other wing. Yates and +Crossley supported by Hunter, made a rush for the Church goal, and though tackled thrice between them, they kept the ball between them, and Yates eventually crossed it to the right wing. Dewhurst returned it, and Wilson made a low shot, which Horrocks stopped with his foot. The attack

being continued Dewhurst put the ball into the goalmouth and a scrimmage ensued. Four players from each side each had a kick at the ball, and at last it went through the goal, the second point being at last scored by the Olympic after a struggle from half time, lasting 21 minutes. There now seemed little hope for Church, and the spectators ceased their cries of encouragement. On the other hand the players kept up admirably, and did not relinquish their attempts to score until the whistle was blown to cease play. Ward left Crook alone in the position of the backs, and helped the half backs to feed his own forwards and tackle the ever reviving Church forwards. Holden made a dangerous shot at the Olympic goal, but Hacking fisted the ball away in superb style. Gregson put in a beautiful shot from the wing, but Hacking stood erect by the nearest goal post and let it pass outside. Gregson found Astley extremely difficult to pass and so did not take the eye of the spectators, as he sometimes does. Crawford frequently got near the Olympic goal, but he was given to erratic shooting. Yates, the Olympic left wing, rivalled Gregson in all that player's tactics, and was exceedingly dangerous to the Church goal. Whilst Ward was away from his post, Crawford and Illingworth left Gibson behind them, and passed the ball to Holden who made a shot at the goal, which caused Hacking to give them a corner kick. Chippendale took the corner, and spoiled the chance by a bad kick. Gibson tackled Crawford in splendid style. Gregson made a run and passed to Crawford, who shot wide. Yates and +Crossley were dangerous near the Church goal when Talbot purposely kicked the ball over his goal line and gave Yates a corner kick. +Crossley passed to Davenport, who shot at goal. Wilson charged Horrocks, as he had the ball in his hands, but the leather was got away. Wilson returned it into Horrocks' hands, and both he and Matthews charged him and put keeper and ball together through the goal. The score, however, was disallowed. A good combined attack was then made upon the Olympic goal, and during the last few minutes of play each team in turn threatened the opposite goal without effect. The result was a victory for the Olympic by two goals to none."

+His name in fact was Costley:

BS: "Nearly the whole game Crook was disabled; he stayed in the field but was of little use."

AN: "Horrocks kicked from goal, but the ball was returned by Wilson passing the half backs, and with a long shot at goal scored the first point for the Olympic about twenty minutes from the start. The ball being re-started from the centre, it was sent down to the Olympic goal, then up to the Church posts, then passed out, but altogether the play continued very even until half-time. The Olympians had now the advantage of the ground, but after the kick-off Church pressed their opponents, causing Hacking to use his hands. The ball was taken to the other end, and put over the line by Connell, but the first corner proved to be of no great advantage, as a run was made up the right wing, and Crawford, with a side screw, sent the ball past the post. The ball, on being re-started, was sent down towards the Church goal, when Yates, getting too far in advance, was ruled off-side. Church were now pressed by the Olympic, and Horrocks was compelled to use his hands. Wilson and Yates came again to the attack, when Horrocks ran out to meet the ball, which was sent past the backs. He was only just in time to get back to his charge before the sphere was in his hands again, but after being kicked away, it was returned, and from a scrimmage another goal was registered for the Olympic."

Church: R. Horrocks (Goal), J. Wood, +F. Broughton (Backs), D. Talbot (Capt.), P. Chippendale (Half Backs), J. Crawford, W. Illingworth (Right Wing), J. Connell, J. Holden (Centres), J. H. Gregson, A. Walton (Left Wing).

+Initial not checked



Blackburn Olympic:T.J.Hacking(Goal),J.T.Ward,T.Crook(Backs),J.Hunter(Capt.),T.K.Gibson,W.Astley (Half Backs),T.Dewhurst,A.Matthews,(Right Wing),G.Wilson(Centre),J.Yates,J.T.Costley(Left Wing).

N.B Crossley is mentioned throughout the above report and in the lineups,but his real surname was Costley,and this was corrected by the time of the Final (see Shooting Stars Olympic History P.40)

BT has J,Crook:check

Umpires:T.Barnes for Church and L.Monk for Blackburn Olympic.Referee:Crump of Birmingham.

#### FOURTH DIVISION:

Eagley v Druids or Bolton Wanderers

EAGLEY 1 (T.Sculthorpe) DRUIDS 2 (A.Jones,T.Vaughan)(At Eagley)(Sat Feb 10<sup>th</sup>)(H.T. 1-1)(F.T. 1-1)(After Extra Time)

Bolton Evening News 12/2/83 P.4/Wrexham Advertiser 17/2/83 P.5/Athletic News 14/2/83 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 14/2/83 P.309/Bell's Life 17/2/83 P.4/Sportsman 12/2/83 P.4/Sporting Life 13/2/83 P.4/Field 17/2/83 P.223:

BEN:"Saturday found the Druids at Eagley the object of their visit being to contest the right to enter the fifth round of the English cup ties.The Druids,as our readers know,met the Wanderers three times in the previous round,the third match being declared to be in the Welshmen's favour.They came to Eagley brimful of confidence,though without A.Powell,Davies,and W.P.Owen.Something like three thousand spectators were present,the grand stand being well occupied.Prior to commencing,a lot of time was wasted in the selection of a referee,an experience which the Druids are now pretty well accustomed to.Both Mr Clegg,of Sheffield,and Mr W.Pierce-Dix having telegraphed their inability to attend,the ground was searched for a gentleman to fill the important post,and finally,Mr R.Wood,of this town,was mutually agreed upon,and neither side found occasion to cavil at his decisions.Eagley having won the toss,the ball was started towards the Bolton end by Crosse,an early visit being paid to the Eagley goal by the impetuous Welshmen,and the Eagley goal-keeper had almost immediately to repel a good shot by A.Jones.Then the Welsh captain had all he could do to keep off the Eagley left wing,Corless and R.Hall jeopardising his charge more than once.Powell charged Hewitson very foully,and the usual free kick was allowed,but the ball was kept out of the goal by the vigilance of R.Roberts.Doughty,Vaughan,and A.Jones,for the Welshmen,and Durham, Sculthorpe,Hewitson,and Haslam,for Eagley,did a lot of smart things;whilst R.Hall and Corless found almost constant employment for Powell and Williams.From a neat pass by Bowen,Doughty put in a neat run,and crossing with nice judgment,A.Jones kicked a goal for the Druids.Two throw-ins and a corner to Eagley were the next points,and then,from an exceedingly smart run by Morris,his partner (Sculthorpe) shot the ball against Adams and under the bar,the cheering on this success being deafening.Ends were shortly changed,and after crossing over desperate exertions were made by each team.Eagley losing the services of Haslam for a time through a nasty kick.Both goalkeepers were kept on the alert alternately,whilst Powell for the Druids,and Durham for Eagley,were constantly to the fore as full backs.Several corners fell to each team,but in every case the ball was got away,though it was very doubtful whether Adams was not over the line with the ball on one occasion.Vaughan put in a number of dodgy runs,but he was too well watched to become really dangerous.Strive as each team would,when the hour and a half had expired the score was still one

goal each, and the referee ordered the game to be continued another thirty minutes. Half of this had almost gone over, when, from a corner on the left, Vaughan luckily shot the ball through. Eagley worked hard and well to equalise matters, but it was not to be, and at length the Druids were declared winners by two goals to one. The Druids have next to play Blackburn Olympic at Blackburn."

WA: "The Druids did not play in their best form, and were without A. Powell, Davies, and W. P. Owen, whose places were supplied by younger and much less experienced members of the club. Much time was lost at the commencement of the game in selection of the referee, both Mr Clegg and Mr W. Pierce-Dix, of Sheffield, having telegraphed their inability to attend. The ground was searched for a length of time for a gentleman to fill the important post, Mr R. S. Wood, of the All Saints' Football Club, Bolton, ultimately being mutually accepted."

"After a few well directed shots Jones secured the first goal about half an hour from the start."

"A fine kick from Powell placed the ball in the hands of Doughty, who made a clever run down the ground, when a foul gave the Welshmen a "free" kick soon after which Doughty directed the ball against the goal post. Hewitson eventually passed the leather to Haslam who made a grand run up the ground, passing the ball to Scullthorpe near his opponent's goal, with the effect of securing a goal, almost immediately after which the referee's whistle sounded and the score stood one goal each. After a brief interval, during which ends were changed, the game restarted. After some minutes of very spirited play, during which the home team was severely pressed, an attack was made on the Druids' goal, when Haslam fell to the ground from over-exertion, and play was suspended a little time. Operations having recommenced Haslam soon joined his comrades and still played a capital game. Each team in turn now vigorously pressed each other, some capital play being witnessed; many determined attacks were made on either goal, the players being repeatedly within an ace of scoring, but each possessed an admirable defender who managed numerous well-directed shots amidst enthusiastic and well-deserved applause. Several corner kicks fell to each team, but in every case the ball was got away. Strive as each team would, when the hour-and-a-half had expired, the score still remained a goal each, and the referee ordered play to be continued for half an hour longer. After another quarter of an hour's play, by a combined effort, the Druids worked themselves round the Eagley goal, and a fine shot from Vaughan scored a second goal for the Druids. During the last fifteen minutes the Druids had matters nearly all their own way, though the Eagley team made gallant efforts to secure a victory, but without effect, the referee's whistle sounding with the result-Druids two goals to one."

Eagley: Jas. Hall (Goal), J. Durham, (Capt.), T. Hall (Backs), W. Hall, F. Jones, H. Morris (Half Backs), T. Scullthorpe, J. Haslam (Right Wing), + J. Hewitson (Centre), W. Corless, R. Hall (Left Wing).

+Initial to check

Druids: H. Adams (Goal), J. Powell (Capt.), R. Roberts (Backs); E. Bowen, W. Williams (Half Backs); J. Roberts, J. Doughty (Right Wing), K. Crosse, + Humphries (Centres), A. Jones, J. Vaughan (Left Wing).

+Find initial

Umpires: Ll. Kendrick and J. Burgess. Referee: R. S. Wood (All Saint's F.C., Bolton).

FIFTH DIVISION:

CLAPHAM ROVERS,a bye

SIXTH DIVISION;

Swifts v Old Etonians

OLD ETONIANS 2(H.C.Goodhart 2) SWIFTS 0 (H.T. 2-0)(At Kennington Oval)(Wed Jan 24<sup>th</sup>)

Sportsman 25/1/83 P.4/Field 27/1/83 P.117/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 31/1/83 P.278/Bell's Life 27/1/83 P.4/Athletic News 31/1/83 P.2/Sporting Life 25/1/83 P.4:

FWR:"Owing to their late arrival of some Etonians play did not begin until three o'clock,and Chevalier did not arrive until a few minutes after the start."

SM:"Yesterday afternoon these clubs,drawn together in the fourth round,met on the ground of the Surrey County Cricket Club,at Kennington Oval,to decide which of the pair should be put in the "hat" for the next round,for which the number of contestants will have been reduced to eight.Both having proved themselves to be in good form,additional interest was lent to the encounter,from the fact that it is far from unlikely that the victors will prove one of the couple left in for the final.The Old Etonians,who have been previous winners of the trophy,are too well known to need eulogism at our hands,,and although the tussle against the Old Foresters in the opening round was a severe one,and victory only obtained after a draw,yet their unselfish and scientific play invariably renders them formidable opponents.The Swifts,whose head-quarters are at Slough,are fortunate in securing the services of such well-known exponents of the dribbling code as the Bambridges,Parr,Nichols,and others,and after defeating Upton Park last month,they considerably enhanced their chance of ultimate success,in public opinion,by their victory over the redoubtable Queen's Park team in Glasgow on New Year's day,being the first English club to lower the colours of the crack Scotch eleven on their own ground,though it is only fair to add that the majority was a narrow one(two goals to one),and the visiting team really a combined eleven of the London district.Under these circumstances it was only natural that the attendance yesterday should have been a large one, despite the bleak wind and numbing cold.Both teams played their full strength,the Etonians obtaining the services of the ex-Eton cricketer,H.W.Bainbridge in the place of H.Whitfeld,the Swifts adhering to the published list.Play was announced for half-past two,but it was close upon three (+ere the teams issued forth to do battle,the delay being caused by the non-arrival of Chevalier,who, however,)turned up shortly after the game had started.The Old Etonians ranged themselves in front of the Vauxhall end,the Swifts starting the game just after the hour had struck.Macaulay was the first to distinguish himself,but the effect of his dashing dribble was counteracted by the steady defence of Watson.As might have been expected the "old boys",aided by the elements,kept the fight in the Swifts' territory until a brilliant run by E.C.Bambridge temporarily relieved his side.The Etonians,however,promptly returned the leather,and were given "hands".After a bully in front of the Berkshire goal,Thorpe and Parr brought the ball down to the opposite end,and a corner fell to the team,but to no purpose.The Etonians shortly afterwards obtained a similar advantage.Kinnaird took the kick himself,and,placing the ball to a nicety,a bully ensued in front of the Swifts'goal,out of which Goodhart,by a clever shot,put the "leather" between the posts,the ball in its course appearing to glide off the backs of two or three of the defending team.This success was warmly greeted by the supporters of the old public school men,who were playing in their usual united and unselfish manner. Nettled by the reverse,the Swifts took the fight into the opposite end,and a scrimmage in front of

the Etonian goal was only saved by the vigilance of the backs. At length, however, the former were driven back, and play for a time was fairly even, Watson, Thorpe, the Bambridges, Dunn, Foley, and Macaulay, distinguished themselves, for their respective sides. After a bully under the Eton goal, in which Paravicini again saved his side, "hands" were given to the Swifts, but nothing resulted, and the ball was returned to the centre. A fine dribble down the left wing by Gilbertson was stopped by Kinnaird, who led off another determined onslaught on the visitors' fortress, out of which (after of a throw in) Goodhart again succeeded in sending the ball under the tape. On re-starting, alternative attacks were made, Anderson being noticeable for some remarkably good runs, whilst E.C. Bambridge and his younger brother were doing all they knew for their antagonists. Dunn at one time had a magnificent chance of effecting a third score for his team, but after a fine dribble made a very bad shot, and the leather went behind. The struggle still continued chiefly in the Swifts' quarters, the wind materially assisting the Etonians, till at length, following a run by A.L. Bambridge, "hands" were given in front of the light blue goal. E.C. Bambridge had the kick, but the Fates were against the visitors, and the ball was shortly seen flying over the tape. On kicking out Foley and Watson were applauded for their good play, the fight from now till half time continuing in the Old Etonians' territory. With a balance of two to none in their favour, the Etonians crossed over and commenced against the wind, many prophesying that the Swifts would now turn the tables on their opponents. At first this seemed far from improbable, attack after attack being made, which Paravicini and French were only able to save by the "skin of their teeth". Dunn took the ball away several times, Bainbridge, Anderson, and Chevalier also working hard. An opening for Hughes to distinguish himself was not availed of, and Kinnaird took the ball away. "Hands" were then given to the home eleven, but the opposing lefts averted the danger. A corner proved unproductive, and although it became evident as the minutes flew by that the Berkshire eleven were playing a losing game, yet so pluckily did they show up, that the Etonians were unable to effect another score, despite the well-directed efforts of Dunn, Goodhart, and Anderson. On the other side the Bambridges, Nicholls, Parr, Watson, and Hughes deserve mention. A final attack was ward off by Paravicini after some remarkably fine play against the Swifts' right wings, but when the sound of the referee's whistle denoted that the regulation ninety minutes had expired the Old Etonians left the field victors by a couple of goals to love, and will therefore compete in the fifth round. Both elevens played in first-class style, and were deservedly applauded on their return to the pavilion." (+words rearranged to make sense)

F: "The toss was a matter of some moment, as there was a pretty strong wind, and the Etonians, proving successful, secured this advantage in the opening half. The very early portion of the game was contested in the Swifts' quarters, but, thanks to Gilbertson and E.C. Bambridge, the scene was quickly changed, and a corner kick gained by the Swifts. This proving unfruitful, the Etonians again turned the game against their opponents, and at the end of a fine run, in which Anderson was the principal performer, a corner fell to the old boys of Eton. Kinnaird, who took it, directed the ball splendidly and, Goodhart meeting it with his head, the result was a goal, scored within five minutes of the commencement. From a capital throw in by Savory the Etonians' goal was seriously threatened, but the back play ultimately prevailed. Much better luck attended a throw in by Foley a few minutes afterwards, as the ball, after touching more than one player, bounded off Goodhart between the Swifts' posts. A seemingly good chance was presented to Parr, who lost it by crossing, instead of kicking direct at goal; and a capital attempt to score was made by E.C. Bambridge, without success. Up to half time the game continued to go in favour of the Etonians, but, after change of ends, they were for the greater portion of the time pursuing defensive tactics. A fine shot by A.L. Bambridge was

saved by Rawlinson, who fortunately happened to be in the right spot. This was not the only time that the goal keeper was left to save his charge, and a rather slow, but very accurate shot by E.C. Bambridge would probably have scored, but for the timely intervention of Paravicini, who was close in goal. Several corners were secured by the Swifts, but none of their opportunities came off. Towards the close of the match the Etonians were severely pressed, but their fine back play, and the vigilance of Rawlinson prevented any disaster, and left them, at the call of time, with a victory by two goals to none."

Old Etonians: J.F.P. Rawlinson (Goal), P.J. de Paravicini, T.H. French (Backs), Hon A.F. Kinnaird (Capt.), C.W. Foley (Half Backs), J.B.T. Chevalier, W.J. Anderson (Right), H.C. Goodhart, R.H. Macaulay (Centres), H.W. Bainbridge, A.T.B. Dunn (Left).

SM has J.B.T. Chevalier at 10 and A.T.B. Dunn at 7 in 11, 7, 8, 9, 6, 10 lineup

Swifts: J.P. Hawtrey (Goal), A. Watson, G.F. Wells-Cole (Backs), J.H. Savory, H. Nicholls (Half Backs), R.W. Thorpe, A.L. Bambridge (Right), P.C. Parr, T.B. Hughes (Centres), E.C. Bambridge (Capt.), F. Gilbertson (Left).

Umpires: M.P. Betts (Old Harrovians) and F. Hindle (Hon. Treasurer, Lancashire Football Association).  
Referee: C.W. Alcock (Old Harrovians/Hon. Sec., Football Association).

#### SEVENTH DIVISION:

Royal Engineers v Old Carthusians

OLD CARTHUSIANS 6 (E.H. Parry, W.R. Page 2, W.N. Cobbold 2, E.T. Hardman)

ROYAL ENGINEERS 2 (W.H.F.S. Kincaid, W.H.F. Stafford) (H.T. 4-1) (Thurs Jan 25<sup>th</sup>) (At Kennington Oval)

N.B. SM attributes the 3<sup>rd</sup> Carthusian goal to Parry instead of Page, but as the Field report was adopted for the Carthusian the scorers have been taken from that report plus Hardman for the 5<sup>th</sup> goal.

Field 27/1/83 P.117 (also reproduced in the Carthisian Reprint P.221)/Sportsman 26/1/83 P.3/  
Football A Weekly Record of the Game 7/2/83 P.294/Bell's Life 27/1/83 P.4/Manchester Courier  
26/1/83 P.8/Nottingham Evening Post 26/1/83 P.4/Sporting Life 27/1/83 P.4/Bolton Evening Mews  
26/1/83 P.3/Athletic News 31/1/83 P.2:

F/CAR: "Another match in the fourth round was decided on Thursday at Kennington Oval. The afternoon proved very fine but only a small number of spectators witnessed the game, which although rather one-sided, was full of interest. The Carthusians had the wind in their favour during the first half of the contest. Immediately after the kick off, they assumed the aggressive position, and in a few minutes Parry had a good chance, but he shot over the tape. The play continued at the Engineers' end, and the exertions of Last, Parry, and Page gave the Sappers much anxiety. Nothing of a disastrous character occurred and two visits were paid to the Carthusians' half, the second of which resulted in a goal being kicked by Kincaid. Some good passing by the Carthusian forwards took the ball to the Sappers' half, and after some sharp work and a clever shot by Parry from the right side completely nonplussed Druitt, and made matters level. Then a fine run by Stafford went for nothing, as there was no one for him to middle the ball to, and a capital effort on the part of Page was

frustrated by the Engineers' goalkeeper. Following this, Owen and Cobbold, closely pursued by Vidal, came along the left side, and the former middling well, Page took a shot, which Druitt cleverly returned, only, however, for Page to again get possession and at the second attempt to prove successful. Then after some good play by Vintcent, Last, Hardman, and Page, the last-named for the second time, directed the ball under the Engineers' crossbar. A fourth goal quickly followed from the foot of Cobbold, who rushed up as Druitt dropped the ball, after saving his goal from a long and true shot by Parry. Ends were changed with the score at four goals to one in favour of the Carthusians, who now had the wind against them, and were for a time on the defensive. A long cross from Lindsay gave the ball to Barnett, whose speed served him well, but he kicked rather too impetuously; and only again reached the ball when it was close to the goal line, thus making a kick too difficult to be any use. Several opportunities were offered the Engineers but their kicks at goal were not of the most approved description, and they had a good man to defeat in the Carthusians' goalkeeper. Twice Druitt had to use his hands in quick succession, and when next his goal was assailed, he unwisely quitted his post, and, from a pass by Page, a goal was obtained by Cobbold, soon after which Stafford placed a second goal to the credit of the Engineers, whose colours were in turn lowered just before play ceased. At the expiration of time the Carthusians were hailed the winners by 6 goals to 2. The play of the victorious team was good all through, especially that of the forwards, whose passing left little to be desired. The Engineers were weakened by the absence of B.B. Russell."

SM: "The match in the fourth round of the above competition between these teams was decided yesterday (Thursday) at Kennington Oval and resulted after a fast, and, as far as the Carthusians were concerned, admirable game, in a victory for the Carthusians by six goals to two. Parry won the toss, chose the western side of the ground, to take advantage of the wind, and at 2.41 Ruck made a commencement from the Clayton-street end. The ball was returned by one of the backs, and some good passing took place in the centre. The Engineers at this early period of the contest, played with great spirit, Barnett, Kincaid, Stafford, Ruck, and Vidal being very conspicuous in every attack made on the Carthusians, who, however, repelled them on every occasion with persevering energy, till at length, from a throw in by Vidal, a bully occurred in front of the Charterhouse goal, out of which Kincaid sent the ball between the posts, and shortly afterwards, by way of equalising matters, Parry, supported by Last, Page, and Hardman, went down the right side and made the score level. The Carthusians now displayed much of that disinterestedness in play for which they have been generally famous, and Cobbold, travelling across the intervening space between the goals, middled the ball to Page, who made his shot, which proved successful. On renewing hostilities, + "Muel", running over, passed the ball to Hardman who, carrying it on, a claim of hands put an end to his advance, and Norris had a free kick. Barnett, then taking the ball under his charge, tried hard to get through the forwards, but Page, robbing him of his prize, dribbled it along till getting within reach, he middled it to Parry, when the Carthusian captain added another item to the score, and only a few minutes later on Cobbold, assisted by Parry, made his mark also in favour of Charterhouse. Having changed ends at half time, Parry and his followers never relaxed their efforts to add still further to their rapidly-increasing score, and Cobbold, receiving the ball from Parry, added a fifth goal. Some animated play was now shown by the Sappers, who, charging well through the ranks of their opponents, Barnett smartly passed the ball to Stafford, and the Engineers were credited with a second goal, but this was their last chance as, just before time was called, Hardman added one more to the five already gained, and an interesting, but one-sided match, came to a conclusion." + L. Owen

Old Carthusians:C.P.Thompson(Goal),W.H.Norris,A.Amos(Backs),J.Vintcent,W.A.Evelyn(Half Backs),E.H.Parry(Capt.),A.J.Last(Right),W.R.Page,E.T.Hardman(Centres),L.Owen,W.N.Cobbold (Left)

(L.Owen is listed under his pseudonym as S.A."Muel" in FWR/F/MC/SM/BL :corrected in SL and in reproduction of the F report in the Carthusian)

Royal Engineers:E.Druitt(Goal),E.St C.Pemberton,H.N.Dumbleton(Backs),W.S.Vidal,M.A.Boyd (Half Backs),H.H.Barnet(Capt.),C.Godby(Right),R.M.Ruck,+W.H.F.S.Kincaid,(Centres),H.E.M.Lindsay, W.F.H.Stafford(Left).

Umpires:M.P.Betts(Old Harrovians) and A.Watson(Swifts).Referee:Major Marindin(Royal Engineers:President of the Football Association)

#### EIGHTH DIVISION:

Great Marlow v Hendon or South Reading

GREAT MARLOW 0 HENDON 3(E.B.Perry,"scrimmage",H.C.Clarkson)(H.T. 0-2) (Sat Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>)(At Marlow)

Field 10/2/83 P.189/Bucks Herald 10/2/83 P.8/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 3/2/83 P.294/Bell's Life 10/2/83 P.4/Sporting Life 6/2/83 P.4/Sportsman 5/2/83 P.4:

N.B.No report found in Hendon & Finchley Times.

F:"This tie was played at Marlow last Saturday when,contrary to expectation,Hendon returned home the winners of a splendidly contested match by three goals to nothing.Hendon won the toss,and Marlow started the ball,and the game at once became very fast,the visitors being rather wild at the commencement,the home team pressed them somewhat and Cleaver had to use his hands on more than one occasion.After the game had commenced about fifteen minutes,Wilson had a throw in, which was well placed,and Perry from a very fine shot,opened his side's account.Encouraged by their early success the visitors kept their attack very well up,and a scrimmage in goal resulted in another downfall of the Buck's goal amidst loud cheering from the Hendon partisans.Ends were soon after changed,and Marlow played up very hard,and obtained a few corners,which deserved better luck, but Despard and Cleaver were ever watchful,and never gave them a chance.Hendon's chance came again,and Clarkson,by a grand dribble,ran right through the Marlow backs,and got a third and last goal for his side just before time was called.At the conclusion of the match the victorious eleven were most hospitably entertained by the Marlow club.For the losers Shaw,Milward,and Spiller played well,and Despard,Perry,and Wilson were in good form for Hendon."

BH:"The inhabitants of Marlow turned out in great force,there being fully 3,000 present.At the time appointed to commence hostilities,Redford,winning the toss,drew up his team at the southern end of the ground,thereby gaining the advantage of the sun at his back.Shaw kicked off for Marlow at 3.5,when the game at once became of a very fast and determined character,good runs being made by both teams.Soon after ends were changed Morton was rather badly hurt,and was practically useless for the rest of the game,but still Hendon fought on in the most determined manner,and they left the field winners of a fine game by three goals to nil.The Marlow men played a very capital game behind,but their forwards seemed to lack pace and not to know what to do with the ball when they

got it;we may mention the Lunnons,Flints,and Spiller as being best for them .For Hendon all played unselfishly,Wilson,R.Redford,Broadhurst,Clarkson,and Perry,showing up splendidly. It is worthy of note that this is the first match the Marlow team have lost on their own ground for three years.”

Great Marlow:H.R.Hewett(Capt.)(Goal);R.Way,F.Speller(Backs);R.H.Lunnon,J.Flint,T.Walker (Half Backs);R.A.Lunnon,J.Bailey(Right),R.Shaw(Centre),E.Flint,W.Milward(Left).

Hendon:C.W.Cleaver(Goal);C.G.Broadhurst,A.V.Despard(Backs);R.H.B.Redford(Capt.),C.P.Wilson(Half Backs);R.F.Mayhew,H.C.Clarkson(Right),A.Redford,A.B.Coutts(Centres),P.H.Morton,E.B.Perry. (Left).

Umpires:H.Redford and W.S.Wright.Referee:J.C.Prior(Oxford University).

#### FIFTH ROUND :

Football A Weekly Record of the Game 14/2/83 P.309:”The Fifth draw for this competition is as under:

Blackburn Olympic v Druids  
Clapham Rovers v Old Carthusians  
Notts County v Aston Villa  
Hendon v Old Etonians

The first-named have choice of ground,and matches must be played off on or before February 24<sup>th</sup>.”

BLACKBURN OLYMPIC 4 (J.Yates,G.Wilson 2,J.Hunter) DRUIDS 1 (E.Bowen)(At Hole-i-’th’-Wall Ground,Blackburn)(H.T.2-1)(Sat Feb 24<sup>th</sup>)

Blackburn Times 3/3/83 P.7/Wrexham Advertiser 3/3/83 P.7/Blackburn Standard 3/3/83 P.3/Football A Weekly Record Of The Game 28/2/83 P.341/Bell’s Life 3/3/83 P.4/Sportsman 26/2/83 P.4/Sporting Life 27/2/83 P.4/Athletic News 28/2/83 P.3:

BT:”in this match,played on Saturday,the Blackburn team had the advantage of playing on their own ground,the Hole-’i-th’-Wall,on which they are rarely defeated.From 3,000 to 4,000 persons assembled to witness the encounter.For the first time for some weeks,Warburton,the Olympic captain,took his place in the team,having recovered from a severe injury.The ball was not started from the centre until five minutes to three o’clock.The home team, having won the toss for choice of ends,played down the incline in the first half,and Bowen started the leather.The right-wing pair of the home team soon secured possession of the ball,and when near the goal line Dewhurst passed it to Matthews,who shot for goal.R.Roberts returned it and,after a throw-in from touch,Hunter was entrusted with a kick from the corner flag.The Druids afterwards sent it over the line.The kick from goal gave the Druids a chance of transferring the play to the opposite end of the ground,but Vaughan’s final shot was very wide.A good run by Yates again changed the scene of play,and Matthews made an attempt to score.J.Powell headed back the leather,but Yates by a fine screw kick shot it back past the goalkeeper,ten minutes after the start, amid heavy cheering.Soon after the resumption of play the visitors’ goal was again attacked,but +Crossley shot the leather over the bar,and a little later J.Powell,when pressed,kicked out in defence, while Yates followed his partner’s example and shot over the bar.The Druid friends ultimately broke away,and Warburton was trying to



stop the rush,when he handled the ball,and thus gave his opponents the advantage of a free kick.The leather was sent into the mouth of the Olympic goal,but again Yates secured possession and relieved the danger temporarily.Lloyd and J.Roberts returned to the attack,and the latter placed the sphere well in the mouth of the goal. Hacking,however,ran out,caught the ball and kicked it down the field before the Welsh forwards could utilise the chance of scoring.Returning to the grandstand end a vigorous attack was made upon the Welsh goal,and Matthews,Yates,and Dewhurst,in turn,caused Adams to use his hands,but Dewhurst eventually sent the ball over the goal line,and the place kick relieved the pressure.Soon afterwards Lloyd made a fast run along the wing,and in passing Ward,who fell in an attempt to stop his career,he made a shot at the home goal.Hacking caught the leather,but being pressed could not throw it far away,and a scrimmage ensued in front of the goal, resulting in the score being made even at the close of 28 minutes' play.For some minutes afterwards the Druids kept the sphere in the Olympic quarters,and seemed likely to overcome the resistance of their opponents.After seven minutes of the pressure the home forwards rushed down the field,and a fine shot by Wilson sent the ball through the goal at the corner,out of the reach of Adams.The Druids again returned to the attack,and a capital shot by A.Jones narrowly escaped taking effect.The Welsh goal was again attacked,however,with much determination,and Adams was so sorely pressed that a claim was made for a goal,but was not allowed.Adams had the misfortune to sprain his wrist in the scrimmage,and had it bandaged by a medical gentleman.A little later Yates had a chance,but Adams rushed out and prevented him from turning it to account.The play continued for a few minutes in the Druids' territory,and resulted in the ball being shot over the bar from +Crossley.At the other end Ward interposed with good effect in a moment of danger,and,after a kick from the corner,Yates again secured possession,but was stopped by Williams,who placed the ball in the mouth of the goal,whence it was headed over the bar just before half time.With the advantage of the incline,it was thought that the weight of the Druids who were almost all powerfully-built men,would tell,but the Olympians had even more of the play than in the first half.The combination of the visitors after the change of ends was not so good as previously,and the kicking of the back division,though strong,was not well judged.Each goal was attacked in turn,but when 14 minutes had passed,Wilson,in a scrimmage secured the third point for the Olympians. Continuing to press their opponents,the home team,four minutes later,obtained a free kick for the handling of the leather in the Welsh goal.Hunter was entrusted with the kick,and he sent in the leather with great force,so that after touching the shoulder of a defender of the goal it passed between the posts,making the score four goals to one.The result of the encounter was never afterwards in doubt.When the Olympic goal was threatened,Warburton intervened,and then a miskick by R.Roberts placed the Welsh goal at the mercy of Matthews,but the latter shot wide. Dewhurst was more accurate in kicking from the wing,and Adams only stopped the ball at the post by giving a corner kick,which proved fruitless.A little later,after the ball had passed the goal line outside the goal,Adams fisted the leather,and Matthews kicked it between the posts.The claim of a goal was not allowed,and the corner kick awarded,like one which quickly followed,resulted in the ball being kicked behind. Subsequently the Olympic goal was threatened,and Hacking had twice saved his charge,the ball struck the bar and rebounded,but the scrimmage which ensued ended in favour of the defenders.The Olympians won by four goals to one."

WA:"About 3,000 persons assembled at Hole-i-'th'-Wall Ground,Blackburn,on Saturday,to witness the encounter between the last of the Lancashire clubs and the only Welsh club remaining in the competition for the Football Association Challenge Cup,to determine which should appear in the

penultimate round. The weather was dull, but there was no wind or rain, and the ground was in good condition. The teams appeared as originally chosen, with the exception that W.P. Owen was absent from the Druids' right wing, and J. Roberts was removed from the centre to fill the vacancy, while E. Bowen played as centre forward, and J. Davies as centre half back in the place of Bowen. Winning the toss the home captain decided to play down the incline in the first half of the game, and Bowen started the leather. After several unsuccessful shots Yates secured the first goal ten minutes from the start. The Olympians continued to have the advantage in play until eighteen minutes later when Lloyd made a good run along the wing, and passing Ward, who fell, had the goal almost at his mercy. Hacking prevented his shot from taking effect, but a scrimmage followed, and Bowen was successful in equalising the score. The Druids afterwards pressed their opponents, but thirty-five minutes from the start the home forwards returned to the attack with a rush, and Wilson obtained the second point for his side. The score remained unaltered until half time, and the Druids having then the advantage of the slope of the ground it was thought, that, as in the first half, there would be a very stubborn struggle for supremacy. The combination of the visitors, however, decreased visibly, while the home team played with increased spirit. Adams, too, was suffering from a sprain in the wrist suffered in a scrimmage, and in the course of 18 minutes two more goals were registered against him, one by Wilson in a scrimmage, and the other by Hunter from a free kick. Subsequently Adams, when the ball had passed the line outside the goal, fisted the leather back into play, and Matthews kicked it through, but the claim for a further point was disallowed. The last 25 minutes of play was faultless, and the Olympians won the match by four goals to one."

SM: "The teams appeared as originally chosen, with the exception that W.P. Owen was absent from the Druids' right wing, and J. Roberts was moved from the centre to fill the vacancy, while E. Bowen played as centre forward and J. Davis as centre half back in the place of Bowen."

Blackburn Olympic: T.J. Hacking (Goal); S.A. Warburton (Capt.), J.T. Ward (Backs), W. Astley, J. Hunter, T.K. Gibson (Half Backs), T. Dewhurst, A. Matthews (Right Wing), G. Wilson (Centre), J. Yates, J.T. Costley (Left Wing).

Druids: H. Adams (Goal); J. Powell (Capt.), R. Roberts (Backs), A. Powell, J.P. Davies, W. Williams (Half Backs); J. Lloyd, J. Roberts (Right Wing), E. Bowen (Centre), A. Jones, J. Vaughan (Left Wing).

Umpires: W. Beardshaw (Sheffield) and F. Norris (Eagley). Referee: D. Haig (Hallamshire Association).

OLD CARTHUSIANS 5 (L.M. Richards 2, A.J. Last, W.N. Cobbold, W.R. Page) CLAPHAM ROVERS 3 (F.W. Pawson, C.A. Lloyd-Jones, H.H. Coles) (H.T. 2-0) (At Kennington Oval) (Tues Feb 20<sup>th</sup>)

Field 24/2/83 P.252/Carthusian Reprint P.231-232/Sporting Life 21/2/83 P.3/ Bell's Life 24/2/83 P.4/Nottingham Evening Post 21/2/83 P.3/Sportsman 21/2/83 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 21/2/83 P.325:

F/CAR: "The clubs which contended at Kennington Oval on Tuesday have both won the cup once-the Rovers in 1880 and the Old Carthusians the following year. Apart from this the contest was one which would undoubtedly have attracted a large number of spectators had the weather been at all favourable during the early part of the afternoon. Very little rain fell while the game was in progress, and there was scarcely any wind; but the ground proved wet and slippery, though perhaps better than might have been expected. Both teams were strongly represented, though the Rovers were

weakened by the inability of N.C.Bailey to occupy his usual position at +half back,and though the international player did some good service,his efforts,through ill health,lacked their customary brilliancy.Then Maclean,who was showing good form,had to retire,after change of ends into goal; and even in this position his injured knee seriously impeded his actions.The Rovers' forward line was disappointing,there being neither sufficient dash nor combination,and their backs were not so good as those of the opposing team.The play all round of the Carthusians was consistently good, though it must be said that their goalkeeper saved them on several occasions very narrowly. The game commenced shortly after three by the Carthusians kicking off,and the opening stage was marked by a run on the part of Page and counter-run by Bailey.Then the Rovers' quarters were besieged,but successfully defended,and the excellent work of Parry and Page were responded to by Bailey and Ram,chiefly through whom the ball was forced close to the Carthusians' goal.A bully occurred of sharp character,after which the ball rolled towards Thompson,who had plenty of time to get rid of it,though it was speedily brought back,and the Carthusians' citadel saved cleverly from a shot by Holden-White.It then became the turn of Charterhouse to act on the aggressive,and,after a run had been made on the left wing,Parry got the ball and shot between the posts,but he was declared offside.A fine run of Jones's was terminated by Norris,and shortly after this a corner by Lloyd-Jones afforded Ram a good opportunity,but he fell attempting the kick.Again the Charterhouse goal was in danger,but Ram's shot was taken hurriedly and failed.Two corners to the Rovers,and one to the Carthusians followed in quick succession,but without further result;but a piece of play in which Parry,Last,and Richards figured conspicuously,ended disasterously for the Rovers,as,although Ogilvie touched the ball,sharply directed to him by Richards,with both hands,he did not quite secure it,and thus a goal was gained by the Carthusians,whose play improved from this time.On the other hand, the forwards of the Rovers worked rather indifferently,and Cobbold and Page cutting their way through them,the latter muddled to Last,who scored a second goal.Roused to a certain extent,the Rovers materially assisted by Jones and Ram,rushed well over,and although the latter's progress was stayed by Amos,the ball was capitally returned by Bailey,and Pawson's shot only just missed its mark.Two goals to none was still the state of the game at half time,after which Ogilvie and Maclean reversed positions.The Rovers at once assumed a threatening attitude,and their success seemed inevitable when Thompson rushed out and missed his kick;but one of the backs stepped in and kicked away very cleverly.Following this Pawson made a very good run,and passing to Ram,the latter took an excellent shot,which must have almost struck the left post.Good play was then shown on both the wings of Charterhouse,and twice the ball was lifted over the Rovers' crossbar,and at last Richards managed to kick a little less loftily and secure a third goal for the old boys.Parry,after a short run,kicked accurately,but Maclean saved his charge,and following the goal kick,Ram made a judicious pass to Pawson,who obtained the Rovers' first goal,and this caused them to play with more determination,though in the next few minutes,Cobbold,starting considerably below the half way line,dribbled the ball beautifully along the left side,went to the centre and shot between the posts-a piece of play that elicited hearty and richly deserved applause.A few minutes later the Rovers' goal very narrowly escaped;but the Carthusians were immediately placed on the defensive.Pawson,after middling,had the ball returned to him,and he again directed it so well that Jones was able to easily score.The game was soon invested with additional interest as Holden-White passed to Pawson,and the latter centred to Coles,whose shot,though momentarily stopped,ultimately proved successful, both goal-keeper and ball being forced between the posts.A fine run by Richards and Page preceded two strong attacks on the Carthusians' goal,but in the last few minutes Page again lowered the colours of the Rovers,who retired defeated by five goals to three." +Played as a centre

SL: "Parry kicked off for the Carthusians at ten minutes past three o'clock, and the forwards getting quickly together, soon made a vigorous attack on the Clapham lines. For a short time play was mostly in favour of the Carthusians, but with the exception of two corner kicks, they failed to obtain any definite advantage. Parry and Page were particularly active in front for the Carthusians, and at last Richards, having the ball passed out from the centre, secured the first goal for the Carthusians, an appeal for "off-side" being disallowed by the referee. Not long afterwards A.J. Last added another point to their score, and not long afterwards ends were changed with the Carthusians two goals to the good. Just before change of ends M'Lean had sprained his knee, and though he returned soon after the renewal to take charge of goal vice Ogilvie, he was unable to be of much service, and the Rovers were then placed at a great disadvantage. Soon after positions had been reversed, Richards sent in a warm one, which M'Lean was unable to stop, and the Carthusians registered their third goal. It looked then as if the Rovers had little chance, but Pawson, after a good run, broke the spell, and a long shot, which apparently ought to have been stopped by the goal-keeper, sent the ball for the first time between the Carthusians' posts. Stimulated by the success the Rovers played up hard on the resumption, but Cobbold, after a brilliant run almost the whole length of the ground, for which he was deservedly applauded by both players and spectators, again improved the score for the Carthusians by a very well got goal. For a time after this the Carthusians got rather loose in their play, and their goal fell twice, the first time to a shot by Lloyd-Jones, and the second to a joint attack by the same player and +Ram, who forced the ball through after a good middle by Pawson. There seemed just a chance now that the Rovers might make a draw of it, but just as "Time" was up, the Carthusian forwards drove their opponents back, and Page, after an appeal of "hands" had been disallowed by the umpires, sent the ball again through the Clapham posts. The Carthusians, who were certainly the better side, thus won by five goals to three. The play, considering the state of the ground, was, all round, good, but there was a lack of passing among the Clapham forwards and their backs were hardly as good as the winners." +h.h.coles

BL: "A couple of goals in quick succession now fell to the Rovers, the first being gained by Lloyd-Jones, who received the ball from Pawson, and the second was obtained by the aid of the last-named, and Coles, the Charterhouse goalkeeper being charged over after he had stopped the ball. Time was now fast drawing to a close, but, after a short attack on the Rovers' lines had been frustrated, Page, by a clever run, obtained the fifth point."

NEP: "On both sides the game was admirably contested, but the Old Carthusians had just a shade the best of the play. Before half time they managed to score two goals, obtained respectively by Richards and Last. On resuming Richards was successful again; but in response Pawson scored the first one for the Rovers. After this Cobbold scored the fourth goal for the Carthusians, and then two more were credited the other side by Lloyd-Jones and Coles. Before the call of time Page obtained another for the Carthusians, who thus won by five goals to three."

Old Carthusians: C.P. Thompson (Goal); W.H. Norris, A. Amos (Backs); J. Vintcent, W.A. Evelyn (Half Backs); L.M. Richards, A.J. Last (Right Wing); W.R. Page, E.H. Parry (Capt.) (Centres), L. Owen, W.N. Cobbold (Left Wing).

N.B. S.A. Muel: pseudonym for L. Owen .

Clapham Rovers:R.A.M.M.Ogilvie(Goal),++T.Thompson,J.E.Vincent(Backs),B.Farrer,H.H.Coles(Half Backs),C.Holden-White(Capt.),F.W.Pawson(Right Wing),E.A.Ram,N.C.Bailey(Centres), C.A.Lloyd-Jones,+J.R.Howard-Maclean(Left Wing). +T or P.Thompson

++Check initial

+N.B. Injured so played in Goal in 2<sup>nd</sup> half.

Umpires:N.L.Jackson and E.H.Bambridge.Referee:C.W.Alcock.

NOTTS COUNTY 4 (W.Gunn,H.A.Cursham 3) ASTON VILLA 3(Archie Hunter,O.Whateley,Arthur Brown) (H.T. 1-1) (Sat Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>)(At Castle Cricket Club Ground,Nottingham)(FWR/REF have Archie Hunter 2 ,O.H.Whateley)

Nottingham Evening Post 5/3/83 P.4/Nottinghamshire Gazette 9/3/83 P.4/Nottingham Journal 5/3/83 P.4/Athletic News 7/3/83 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 7/3/83 P.355/Bell's Life 10/3/83 P.4/Sportsman 5/3/83 P.4/Sporting Life 6/3/83 P.1/Referee 4/3/83 P.6:

CHECK ASTON VILLA SCORERS AS DIFFERENT IN SEVERAL PAPERS

N.B. Birmingham Daily Post 5/3/83 P.4. only reports the result and that there was a disputed goal.

NEP/NG:"This match,one of the fifth round ties in the English Association Challenge Cup competition,and a fixture in which an extraordinary amount of interest had generally been felt in the Midlands,was played at the Castle Cricket Club ground,Nottingham,on Saturday.The very fine weather had induced a large local attendance,while seven heavily-laden trains from Birmingham brought large numbers to swell an enormous assemblage of spectators,who must have numbered considerably over 10,000. The field of play was crowded round with many successive lines of onlookers,and the excitement that prevailed during the whole of the afternoon was of so intense a description that in the middle of the second half the sightseers broke through the bounds and seriously encroached on to that portion of the ground marked off for the opposing teams.Both clubs were,as might naturally have been expected,represented by their best available men,and both Elevens were greeted with a cheer as they made their way on the field punctually at a quarter past three.Greenhalgh lost the toss,and Aston Villa choosing the bottom goal,which gave them the advantage of having the bright sunlight at their backs during the first three-quarters of an hour,H.A.Cursham kicked off for the home team.A.W.Cursham ran up the right,a foul being given almost immediately afterwards against Notts,and the free kick caused the play to be taken into their end.Here for a time the game was fought out. Whateley showed much energy,and the result of a run by him and Andy Hunter was a corner to Aston Villa.Principally by the exertions of Chapman and A.Dobson the play was taken to the Notts "25", where a foul was claimed and given against Gunn.The free kick came to nothing,as Whateley sent the ball spinning over the bar,and Gunn next had an opportunity,which he utilised well,but H.A.Cursham kicked on the wrong side of the posts.The Villa forwards came straight away from their end of the ground,and by a system of short passes,visited their opponents' line,the ball going out off Moore. Nothing came of the corner,and the game was now of a much more even character,until,through Gunn and H.Cursham,the proceedings were transferred close to the Villa posts.Here a protracted scrimmage was fought out,the ball being for several minutes within several yards of the line,though it was finally headed over the bar by one of the Notts men.From the goal kick the ball was quickly run back and Notts had

a corner, which was taken by Smith, whose attempt was not a good one, as it went behind the line. Gunn returned to the attack, and centred to H. Cursham, who was again unlucky with his shot, and by fine work on the part of Brown, Vaughton, and Archie Hunter, the Notts end was invaded. Two throws in to the Villa caused the home team some anxious minutes, but Brown, who seemed to have an opportunity, was wide of the desired mark. A. Cursham and Smith were to the front with a smart run, but after some determined scrimmaging near the Villa stronghold, Simmonds, who played conspicuously well during the whole afternoon, managed to get the leather out of danger. C. Dobson worked hard, but Whateley and Andy Hunter were too much for him and Moore, a strong effort to score ending in Whateley sending the ball once again high over the cross-bar. H. Cursham passed to Gunn, and a capital dribble by the latter compelled Simmonds to kick in self-defence over his own line. Gunn dealt with the corner, but the ball went outside, and a run by the same player ended in a similar fashion. E. Davis effected a brilliant dribble on the left, his final shot, however, going a little wide, but Simmonds' play at back once more caused the Notts' team some anxiety, and they had to work hard to keep their goal clear. Chapman neutralised the effects of a fine throw in by Davis, the Aston team still having slightly the best of it, though their shooting at goal was defective. Macrae was noted for his continuous exertions, but the visiting forwards got into the Notts end, where Whateley passed to Andy Hunter, who with a low swift shot completely beat Gillett, and the first goal was taken by the Villa amid enthusiastic cheers within 27 minutes from the commencement of play. The Birmingham men had now much the best of it. A third corner was kicked by Davis, but the proceedings were momentarily removed to the centre where a foul was given against Smith. Apperley took it, and a run by Davis and Vaughton called Gillott into activity, the ball going over the bar off his hands. Aston Villa had a fifth corner, and pressed Notts, a fine shot by Brown being thrown back by the home team's goalkeeper. The siege was now raised through hard work on the part of Macrae and Chapman, and C. Dobson kicked so well that the play was carried close to his opponents' lines. A fierce scrimmage ensued, and with the Notts forwards well up, they rushed the ball between the posts, Gunn, Smith, and H. A. Cursham being noticeable in the play by which the score was equalised (NJ: "(A. W. Cursham) headed the ball into the mouth of the goal, and it was rushed between the uprights by H. A. Cursham and Greenhalgh"). Encouraged by their success Notts played up and obtained a third corner, which was fruitless, while Vaughton, just before the whistle blew for the interval, appeared to miss a good chance of increasing his side's total. Ends were quickly changed, and the game, which previously had appeared remarkable for the speed at which it was being played, became faster than ever. The long kicking powers of the Notts were brought into requisition with such effect that they had a decided lead. Archie Hunter kicked off, but the ball was at once returned, and though the Villa had a free kick for a foul, the passing between the brothers Cursham caused the visitors to act mainly on the defensive. A. Cursham and Smith went down the right wing, the former middling in fine style, and H. Cursham kicking the second goal (NJ: "C. Dobson, who fairly puzzled the Birmingham man by his dodging play, and centred beautifully in front of the goal. H. Cursham came up with a tremendous rush, and for the second time lowered the colours of the visitors.") amid a scene of indescribable enthusiasm, the proceedings only having lasted six minutes since the resumption of play. Notts pressed their antagonists severely, and a pass to the front of the Villa position was again taken advantage of by H. Cursham, who scored by another particularly fine shot (NJ: "After a short run by C. Dobson he again centred very cleverly, and H. Cursham by a wonderful screw-kick again put the ball between the uprights, the desperate efforts of the goalkeeper to stop it being futile."). These two additional goals, which had both been secured within ten minutes from the interval, did not seem to dishearten the Villa team, though they had to withstand several onslaughts on their stronghold. Gunn

with a fine dribble, became dangerous but his shot landed over the bar, and when the Villa forwards broke away they were looked after by Macrae, Chapman, and A.T. Dobson. Moore, who had not thoroughly recovered from a strain received during the match between England and Ireland the previous week end, now became practically useless, a circumstance which later on proved a serious drawback to Notts. After hostilities in the second half had continued for about twenty minutes, Archie Hunter and Whateley came away, and the former had an opportunity given to him, but he misused it and the ball was sent a little wide of the left post. Notts were given a free kick not far off the Villa goal, but Simmonds was fully equal to the occasion and sent the ball out of danger, though it landed into touch on Gunn's side. He took the throw-in, and the leather was dropt in front of the Aston posts, Chapman sending in a shot which was a little too high. The brothers Cursham and Smith were again active, and Notts had a throw-in out of touch, quickly followed by a second. A splendid run by Davis and Archie Hunter relieved their side, but at this point the spectators broke away from all control, and rushing from and over the touch line rendered it a difficult matter to follow the progress of the game. Aston Villa, however, gained the upper hand, and Moore being unable to do anything, Andy Hunter went past him and scored the second goal for the Birmingham eleven (NJ: "Whateley and Brown on recovering the ball, broke away from the centre, and having passed Moore, the former had not much difficulty in making a second goal for the Villa. This revived the hopes of the partisans of the Birminham team, and the excitement caused was increade a hundred fold when Andy Hunter, two minutes afterwards, equalised matters by making a third goal for his side."). Gunn was also very active and ran up the left wing almost the entire length of the field, but though he middled splendidly, Simmonds and Lee worked the ball well out of their quarters. Whateley, Brown, and Hunter replied with a very pretty piece of combined play, the issue of which was a third goal scored by the last-named. The total being once more equal, and only a very little time left (NJ: "There was now only ten more minutes to play.."), the players and spectators became wild with the excitement of the moment. Never in the closing moments of any important game was faster play witnessed, than what now took place. The ball travelled from end to end with marvelous rapidity, but the backs were on the alert, and nothing further looked like being obtained. At last H.A. Cursham and S.G. Smith, with some fine passing between them, assumed the offensive, and the former centreing at exactly the right moment, Gunn, who was in the centre, shot the ball past Mason (NJ: "(A.W. Cursham ) crossed grandly to Gunn, who was just in the proper place, and by a shot that it was almost impossible to stop, made a fourth goal for Notts."), the fourth goal being greeted with a demonstration of delight on the part of the Notts supporters of the most uproarious description. Only six minutes remained, but in this short time Aston Villa made a most desparate attempt to score, and though H.A. Cursham had gone back to strengthen the Notts defence, it looked as though the match would end in a tie. Gillett was severely pressed, but with the help of the backs he managed to keep his goal intact, (NJ: "All the Notts men defended the goal, and a veritable struggle ensued. Gunn, H. Cursham, and Macrae headed the ball away several times, but it was returned, and an appeal for "hands" made against Chapman. The appeal was disallowed, and the ball had just been kicked from the mouth of the goal by C. Dobson, when time was called.") and thus the Notts won the most exciting and keenly contested game ever decided in the neighbourhood of Nottingham by four goals to three. The victory of the home team was greeted with every imaginable sign of satisfaction, and both clubs were loudly cheered on their return to the pavilion. For the winners Macrae played splendidly at half-back, Moore owing to the cause previously explained, being the only ineffective man behind the forwards. The brothers Cursham played with great energy, Smith was particularly unselfish, and Gunn brilliant on many occasions. On the side of the losers, Simmonds never made a mistake at back, and was of

invaluable service to his team, whole of the forwards, who all showed great speed and perfect condition, Eli Davis, the brothers Hunter, and Whateley were the most conspicuous. An objection to the result was raised by Aston Villa, and the question in dispute will have to be settled by the Committee of the Association."

FWR: "An enormous crowd of spectators attended, about fourteen thousand in all, of which number it was estimated that about two or three thousand had followed the popular Aston Villa team from Birmingham. Cheap excursion trains were run between the two towns, the price of the return ticket being but two shillings and sixpence. Long before the time set for the commencement of the match every available standing-place commanding a good view, was occupied, and as the sightseers continued to pour in fears were expressed that the field of play would be invaded, but to the credit of the crowd it must be said, that they behaved in a sportsmanlike manner. Towards the end of the game they pressed rather closely on to the margin, and occasionally encroached on the ground, but at no time did they interfere with the players, although there was a few moments cessation of play while the upper corner was cleared of intruders."

FWR: "The losers lodged a protest with the referee alleging that, in the scrummage that occurred in front of the Notts goal just before time was called, some player, not the goal-keeper, deliberately handled the ball. They assert that they appealed for the foul, but that the crowd prevented the umpires from seeing them at the time."

FWR P.348: "Archie Hunter, on behalf of his club, lodged a written objection against Nottingham, he stating that shortly before time they would have scored had not H. Cursham fouled the ball, thus preventing it going through the Notts posts, but as Gillett states he put it out himself, I think the objection cannot be sustained"

N.B. This could have been awarded a goal under the rule in force this season, provided the goalkeeper could not have saved it

Notts County: L.F. Gillett (Goal), H.T. Moore, A.T. Dobson (Backs), C.F. Dobson, S. Macrae, H. Chapman (Half Backs), A.W. Cursham, S.G. Smith (Right Wing), H.A. Cursham (Centre), W. Gunn, E.H. Greenhalgh (Left Wing)

N.B. Check Gillett initials as various combinations and Gillott ?

Aston Villa: T. Mason (Goal), J. Simmonds, +E.B. Lee; (Backs), D.R. Anderson, C.W. Apperley (Half Backs); Andy Hunter, O. Whateley (Right Wing), Arthur Brown, Archie Hunter (Centres), O.H. Vaughton, E.C. Davis (Left Wing).

+Check initials

Umpires: E.H. Bambridge (Swifts) and N.L. Jackson (Hon Secretary of the London FA).

Referee: M.P. Betts (Old Harrovians)

HENDON 2 (Untraced) OLD ETONIANS 4 (J.B.T. Chevalier, Unknown, H.C. Goodhart, A.T.B. Dunn) (H.T. 1-1) (Sat Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>) (At Hendon)



Football A Weekly Record of the Game 7/3/83 P.357/Bell's Life 10/3/83 P.4/Field 10/3/83 P.326/Nottingham Evening Post 5/3/83 P.4/Referee 4/3/83 P.6(Short report no teams)/Sportsman 5/3/83 P.4(No teams)/Sporting Life 6/3/83 P.1:

Nothing traced in Hendon & Finchley Times

FWR:"This tie was played on the ground of the latter,at Hendon,on Saturday in splendid weather ,but on a ground rather small and rough,which rather discounted first class play.When the draw for this round was first published,it was considered that the holders of the Cup would have a virtual walk over,but the form lately shown by Hendon has proved such anticipations to be unfounded,and there were not wanting "knowing ones" who went so far as to assert that the Hendonians would win.This was hardly to be expected,but that they would make a good fight in their own ground was generally anticipated,and the result proved that surmise to be correct. During the first half,the Hendon men had decidedly the best of the game,Rawlinson having to frequently save his charge. They scored the first goal,but at half time the game was equal.After changing ends the home team quickly added another goal,but after this the Etonians had as much the best of the game as Hendon had during the earlier part of the play,and scoring three times they won by four goals to two.Some doubt was expressed as to the validity of one of the goals,as the ball had just previously been handled,while another should have been stopped by the goalkeeper.However,there can be no doubt that the best team won,and on a good ground the difference would have been more marked.The game requires very little description.It was a little wild.Hendon scored the first goal from a good middle by Morton about fifteen minutes after the start.The Old Etonians,by the aid of Chevalier, equalised matters just before half time.After changing ends Hendon again scored.Some time elapsed before the Etonians equalised matters.A third goal was headed for the old boys by Goodhart,and Dunn shortly afterwards by a pretty shot added a fourth goal.The Etonians thus won by four goals to two.For the Etonians French was in very good form,as was Foley,while Kinnaird put in a lot of useful work;Goodhart,Dunn,and Anderson,were the pick of the forwards.For Hendon C.P.Wilson was a tower of strength;without him the Hendonians would hardly have had a chance.Broadhurst, Despard,and R.Redford were also in capital form,while Morton put in some clever work amongst the forwards."

NEP:"Hendon obtained the first score,but a few minutes before half time Eton equalised the game.Another goal was got by Hendon,and the game stood two to one in favour of them for a long time;but then the Old Etonians scored two lucky goals-one at least should have been stopped by the goalkeeper,who was not in good form."

BL:"This match was decided last Saturday,on the ground of the last-named(Hendon),and resulted in a victory for the holders of the cup by four goals to two.Before half time each side had obtained a point,and,indeed,up to a few moments of time the scores were equal,and then a couple of lucky goals gave the light blues the advantage."

F:"Played at Hendon on Saturday,the Etonians winning by four goals to two."

SM:"These teams met in the fifth round on the ground of the latter,at Hendon,on Saturday.The home eleven were the first to score,but the Etonians soon equalised matters,and then forged ahead ,and,scoring a pair of lucky goals towards the close,eventually proved victorious by four to two."

SL: "This match came off at Hendon on Saturday, and was won by the Etonians (the holders) by four goals to two. The Hendon men played up very well, and the Etonians only won in the last half-hour."

Hendon: J.S. Hart (Goal); C.G. Broadhurst, A.V. Despard (Backs); R. Redford, C.P. Wilson (Half Backs), A.B. Coutts, H.C. Clarkson (Rights), A. Redford, J.G. Coutts (Centres), P.H. Morton, E.B. Perry (Lefts).

N.B. No other game yet traced for J.S. Hart

Old Etonians; J.F.P. Rawlinson (Goal); P.J. de Paravicini, T.H. French (Backs); Hon. A.F. Kinnaird, C.W. Foley (Half Backs); H.W. Bainbridge, J.B.T. Chevalier, H.C. Goodhart, R.H. Macaulay, W.J. Anderson, A.T.B. Dunn. (Forwards).

Umpires: Sir J. Kirkpatrick and J. Armstrong. Referee: C.H.R. Wollaston (Wanderers).

#### SIXTH ROUND/SEMI-FINALS:

Bell's Life 10/3/83 P.4:

"The fifth (sixth) round in this competition was drawn on Tuesday evening. The following was the result:

Blackburn Olympic v Old Carthusians

Notts County v Old Etonians

The protest lodged by the Aston Villa against Notts County in the previous round, that the ball had been handled by a player other than the goal-keeper, was not sustained.

It was resolved that these matches should be played, one in the North and one in the South, and the drawing decided that Notts County and the Old Etonians should play off their match in the South.

The matches are to be played on March 17 or 19, as under: - At Birmingham, Blackburn Olympic v Old Carthusians; at Kennington Oval, Notts County v Old Etonians.

The Final Tie was also fixed for Saturday March 31<sup>st</sup>. " (Not played at Birmingham because of a Local Cup Tie)

BLACKBURN OLYMPIC 4 (T. Dewhurst, G. Wilson, J. Yates, J.T. Costley) OLD CARTHUSIANS 0 (H.T. 2-0) (At Whalley Range Ground, Manchester) (Sat Mar 17<sup>th</sup>)

Athletic News 21/3/83 P.3/Carthusian Reprint 67-129 P.243/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 21/3/83 P.382/Field 24/3/83 P.393/Blackburn Times 24/3/83 P.6/Blackburn Standard 24/3/83 P.3/Bell's Life 24/3/83 P.4/Sheffield Daily Telegraph 19/3/83 P.4/Manchester Courier 19/3/83 P.3/Sportsman 19/3/83 P.4/Sporting Life 20/3/83 P.3/Referee 18/3/83 P.6:

AN: "Parry kicked off from the centre at 3.40, a short pass being made to Hardman. A beautiful piece of dribbling by the latter landed the ball close in front of the Olympic goal, but Ward, Hunter, and Gibson formed themselves in a strong line of defence, Hunter returning the ball to mid-field. Yates and Crossley sped down the left, and in double quick time they ran in front, but the final shot went wide. Wilson, Dewhurst, and Mathews were next to the fore, and Norris kicked over his lines safely, Hunter being credited with a corner on the right wing. The kick was finely effected, but the wind caused the ball to alight upon the crossbar, from which the leather bounded into touch. Thompson's goal kick landed the ball to mid-field and another tasty dribble was effected by Hardman and

Parry. Hardman being tackled sent the leather to his right, but Richards and Last were easily disconcerted, Gibson eliciting a cheer for his fine play. This return of the ball proved of vast importance to the light blues for their forwards went away with a will, Yates, Crossley, and Wilson working very hard. From their side the leather was sent to the right, and, getting in close quarters, Dewhurst landed the first goal amid tremendous cheers, five minutes only having elapsed. Starting from the centre the Southerners made strenuous efforts to gain an opening, but so finely did Gibson, Hunter, and Astley play that the Olympic half-backs could not be passed, and a great amount of pressure again bothered the mixed jerseys. Thompson stopped some very good shots, but a corner was given to Hunter on the right. As in the first instance the kick was a good one, and Dewhurst only just headed the ball over the crossbar. Hardman and Parry dashed away up the centre after this, and they were joined by Last from the right wing. Wilson raced after them, and succeeded in partially resting the ball from them, when Gibson, in a smart manner, slipped in and completed the business by giving his forwards the ball. Yates and Crossley were getting dangerous when they fouled the ball, and a free kick was given the opposing side. Hunter immediately returned the sphere and Crossley sent it over the bar. Dewhurst and Mathews next received possession, and passed to Wilson, who brought about a corner on the left, Hunter again dispatching the leather in a true manner. Amos, by a clever kick, relieved the pressure and the scene of action changed. Cobbold, who played an indifferent game nearly all the match, managed to put in a very fair run in this period, and Hansell centred but Parry kicked outside. Another attack was made on the Olympic fortress, but Ward, aided by the wind, kicked the ball from goal to goal, and Thompson had a goal kick at the other end of the field. Wilson soon after raced down the field, and seemed like scoring, but Thompson saved his charge well, and about now Norris and Amos distinguished themselves for their fine defence. Vintcent and Evelyn, at half-back also wakened up a little, but the forwards on the whole were a little feeble, and they were easily robbed of the ball. However, Hansell and Cobbold succeeded in forcing their way up the left, and the ball was worked dangerously near the Olympic stronghold. A side shot was made, and Hacking at the first attempt made a slight mistake, but with the alacrity for which he is famous he again dashed at the flying sphere, and, amid the cheers of his own party, he sent the leather out of present danger. A throw-in by the Carthusians right-wing man again saw the leather in the Olympic quarters, but this proved the last aggressive show by the Londoners in the first half, for Ward, Warburton, and the half-backs ever afterwards succeeded in keeping the leather well inside the Carthusians' quarters. The light blue forwards once more went in with a will, and the pressure brought to bear upon their opponents' goal was very great. One or two good shots were stopped by Thompson. A few more were bad ones, but when play had been in operation a little over half an hour, Wilson, who played a strong game, rushed down with the leather, and sent it and himself (BO History P.46 "taking advantage of the rules of the game at the time and bundling both 'keeper and ball over the line.") flying between the posts. Dewhurst soon after threw away an easy chance and half time was called with the game in favour of the Lancastrians by two goals to nil. Having a strong wind in their favour, it was by no means clear how the match would turn, but doubts, if any, were quickly set at rest by the Olympians once more displaying finer and better play than their opponents, who, after a time, began to show signs of fatigue, while the Olympians were fresh as newly painted butterflies, sparkling here and there with their speedy runs. Crossley and Yates very often went up the left wing, and Wilson, in the centre, contributed some useful runs, while Dewhurst and Matthews were never far behind. Crossley at last received the ball from the right, and put it through, but he was adjudged "off-side". Very shortly afterwards, Wilson, Matthews, and Crossley ran up again. Yates closed in from the left, and while he made a shot, Matthews went for the goal-keeper, who claimed "off-side" against him,

but the ball having been forced between as nearly as possible at the same time as he was charged, the referee allowed the goal. Wilson next had a fine chance, but was foolishly robbed of it by Matthews, but before the close Dewhurst centred, and Crossley scored a fourth goal. In this half the Carthusians ever and anon ran down the field. They had two corners, but they were badly managed, and altogether their attacks were weakly planned, and they failed to score, thus leaving the Olympians victorious by four goals to nil. The play of the Blackburn men was of the first order all through, not a weak man being in the team. Their half-backs were a great bulwark of strength and Hunter and Gibson deserve every praise for the grand form they displayed. All the forwards worked hard, but Wilson was slightly above the rest for his strong play. The Carthusians' play was disappointing, the "Internationals" being the weakest in the lot. Hardman was a bright exception, and Thompson kept goal well."

Carthusian Reprint P.243 (Not reproducing the Field Report unlike their previous 2 F.A. Cup Reports) : "The match took place at Manchester on March 17<sup>th</sup>, and resulted in the defeat of the Carthusians by four goals to none. Parry kicked off at a quarter to four against a strong wind. The Football Association, having taken the management out of the hands of the players, no one but the Committee are to blame for the non-appearance of the ball at the proper time, or for the match being played in a place much more convenient for one team than another, or for the captain of the Charterhouse team having only four days to get his men together; four of the team who would have played—one back, one centre forward, and two wings—were unable to (See below\*). As soon as the ball was started, Last took it well into the enemies' quarters, but it was well returned by the opposing backs; but the backs on the opposing side were not so successful, their fault lay in kicking too high, and too hard against a strong wind, and this was a noticeable feature of the first half. The game began very fast, as in the first five minutes Blackburn threw the ball in twice; then the ball went behind the Carthusians' lines; then behind the Blackburn; then Dewhurst made a fine run which resulted in a corner kick which hit the bar and bounded into play, but a catastrophe was avoided by Thompson, and the ball eventually went behind. On being kicked off, Hardman and Cobbold between them got the ball well down the ground, but were well stopped by Ward, who sent the ball well down the ground with the wind behind it; this was badly met by Norris, whose bad kick gave the Blackburn Olympic an opportunity, which they availed themselves of, and kicked the first goal five minutes from the start. Then followed a corner for Blackburn. A shot at goal saved by Thompson. Offside was given against a Blackburn forward shortly after. Another corner for Blackburn. W.E. Hansell had one good shot at their goal. Matthews then got cleverly away from them. Cobbold then had a shot, which was unsuccessful, after a run down chiefly by Last and Richards. The Carthusians then had a corner, but it was kicked behind. Blackburn offside again. Off a throw-in the Charterhouse goal seemed doomed, but the goal was magnificently saved by Thompson, who kept goal very well throughout, and was in no way to blame for the four goals that were got. Yates was offside, and a free kick followed. Yates and Crossley then got hold of the ball, and got a goal in very good style. Up to this point, the Carthusians, although they had not got together, or individually done anything very brilliant, were all there, and might have won the match, as far as one could then tell. But the fates were not propitious. And just when their friends hoped they might be pulling themselves together, they showed signs of being more at sea than when they started. The long wait for the ball, and the silent reception they met with as contrasted with the encouraging one of their rivals, evidently told on a team already nervous. And, although no two of the couples had played together before, it was to be expected, as the game progressed, that they would have improved in playing together instead of getting worse.

Their captain shortly afterwards got hurt, which stopped the game momentarily, much to the disgust of the crowd, who wanted to "roll 'im off": he retired for a bit, and came back again pluckily; but the spirit of Charterhouse was broken, and their play lacked all the dash and energy one is wont to see in the Old Carthusians' play. The ridge and farrow, and slippery nature of the ground, might have had something to do with this, but this was the same for both sides. The Blackburn Olympic, after half time, seemed to have it much their own way, except for spasmodic efforts by one or two here and again. They gained two more goals. The B.O. men were heavier and in better condition. In fact it was a match between combination, weight and confidence, against individual efforts, a team altogether too light, and painfully nervous beforehand and during play. And with better condition thrown in to the former, it is needless to say who won."

\* FWR P.381 : "Owing to various reasons the Carthusians were deprived of the services of H. Lowther, L. Owen, W. R. Page and E. J. Wilson, and we are certainly justified in saying that if this quartette had assisted, the game would have had a very different complexion. Some of the old boys had travelled long distances. E. T. Hardman was playing for Oxford at Edinburgh on Tuesday, and journeyed to Manchester on Friday. W. E. Hansell had to journey from Norwich, while several others had to travel some thirty or forty miles to London before starting for Manchester. All this, coupled with the fact of having to play on a ground excessively rough and rather slippery, and for the first half against a bright sun and strong wind proved too much for the Old Carthusian lads, who played in a very loose style from beginning to end."

FWR: "Considerable uncertainty existed as to the ground up to within a few days of the match. Birmingham was first selected, but a local Cup tie stopped the way. Then Nottingham was spoken of, but a difficulty in making arrangements for the ground prevented that town being chosen, and, ultimately it was decided to play at Manchester. Mr James Maclaren, with his characteristic energy, kindly undertook all arrangements, and it is needless to say that they were most satisfactory. Considering that this gentleman is president of the Rugby Union, it speaks volumes for his good sportsmanship, that he should so disinterestedly assist the promotion of the dribbling game, and the sincere thanks of the Association are due to him for his services."

F: "The time announced for the kick off was 3.15, but by some unaccountable error, no one had provided an Association ball, but Mr Jackson, in the course of half an hour, held a ball up in triumph, amid great cheering, for, after the weary waiting, there was at last a chance of seeing some play, and as each team turned out they were rewarded with a good round of applause. It soon became known who had won the toss, as Warburton selected the pavilion goal, with a strong wind in his favour, and a bright sun at his back; and at 3.45 Parry started the ball for the Old Carthusians. Hardman was the first away, and after a fine dribble passed to Parry, who essayed a shot at goal, but did not succeed. Even this slight advantage gave hopes to the friends of Charterhouse; but ere long it became apparent that the Olympians were the smarter all-round team, while their opponents, generally speaking, were much heavier, but lacked the speed of their opponents, who worked splendidly together, and a neat pass by Yates enabled Matthews to score the first goal, amidst great cheering. On resuming, offside by Yates gave a free kick to the Carthusians, and immediately a corner kick fell to the Olympic, which Astley placed beautifully opposite goal; but Thompson kept his position intact, and getting a nice opportunity Hansell made a good but ineffectual shot at goal. The Olympians were not slow to retaliate, and Hunter, with Astley and Dewhurst, soon had trundled the ball to the other end of the ground, and Yates, with a capital shot, added another goal to the Olympic score, and the game

at half time was two goals to none. On changing ends and resuming, it was generally thought that now the Old Carthusians were favoured by the elements, they would make a good bid for victory, but such anticipations were not verified, and they seemed to fall off considerably in their play, whilst on the other hand the Olympians were fresh at the finish; indeed it was a noticeable fact that the latter played better against the wind than with it, Hunter, Dewhurst, Yates, and Astley being exceptionally smart. After seventeen minutes' play, Yates shot the ball through the standards, but the goal was not allowed, offside being claimed and conceded. Shortly afterwards, however, the Olympians worked the ball back again, and Crossley secured the third goal. The game after this fluctuated very considerably, the ball travelling all over the field. Subsequently Dewhurst made a grand dribble along the right wing, and cleverly passed the ball to Crossley, who shot at goal, and the ball, striking the post, rebounded back to Crossley whose second attempt proved successful. The score now stood four to nothing, when the Old Carthusians put forth their final effort, but they could not make any impression on their opponents, who were still playing hard and fresh, but no other points were scored, and at the close the Blackburn Olympic were hailed the winners by four goals to none."

N.B Crossley is Costley

BS: "The team which plays at Whalley Range, being a rugby one of course, there was no such article as an Association ball at hand, and the authorities had actually to send a distance of about 2 miles for one. This caused a delay of half an hour during which time the players and spectators got a bit of a starving and, to make matters worse, it began to snow heavily. This, like the discontent of the spectators, blew over, and the ball having been secured, the men stepped within the enclosure."

BT: "The tie in which the Blackburn Olympic and Old Carthusians were drawn to determine which of them were to appear in the closing match of the season's competition for the national trophy was originally fixed to be played on the Lower Aston Ground, Birmingham, but as that ground was engaged the scene of play was changed to Whalley Grange, Manchester and there the contest took place on Saturday afternoon. The Old Carthusians were expected by a great many persons competent to judge of the probable result, to be the victors, but the Blackburn team having spent a week training in Blackpool, astonished even their most ardent admirers by the fine display they made of their powers. The weather was fine, but bitterly cold, and the 2,000 spectators exposed to the biting wind were not slow to express disapprobation at the considerable delay in the appearance of the players. It was soon known, however, that the teams who were ready to appear within the enclosure punctually, were waiting for a ball, which those responsible for perfecting the arrangements had failed to provide. Half an hour was spent in waiting while an official of the Association went in a hansom for a ball, and meantime snow fell somewhat heavily, and the assembly were amused by the efforts of a joiner to saw away projecting pieces of the goal bar, a task that was speedily abandoned in despair. When the Old Carthusians appeared a half hour later than arranged, the sun was shining brightly, and the snow that had fallen was soon melted. The team was greeted with applause, but the greeting received by the Olympians, who quickly followed them, was much more demonstrative. Immediately after entering the enclosure the players took their places, and the Olympians, having won the toss, had the advantage of the wind in the first half, while their opponents had to face the sun as well as the wind. The captain of the Carthusians started the ball from the centre, and gave it to Hardman, who made a good dribble up the centre almost to the Olympian's goal. Hunter returned the ball, and Yates and Crossley made a rush to the opposite end, the former shooting over the bar. Parry followed with a long shot at the Olympic goal, but the ball was again

taken down the ground and a kick from the corner accrued. Hunter made the kick, but the ball dropped on the bar and bounced behind the goal. The leather was then taken over the Olympian's goal line and when returned Yates passed it to the right wing, whence Matthews made a successful shot, which secured the++ first point for the Olympians five minutes after the start. Immediately afterwards Hunter made another kick from the corner, and the ball fell just in front of the bar. Thompson fisted it away, and Dewhurst on returning it sent it over the bar. Some fine play by Gibson and Yates near the Carthusian goal followed, but the pressure was relieved by a free kick against Yates for being offside. Subsequently Wilson passed the ball to the right, and when it was returned Yates, who was close to the goal, missed scoring. Kicking for the third time from the corner Hunter placed the ball well into the goal mouth. Wilson headed it out, however, and Thompson foiled a fine attempt to score made by Crossley, while an exciting scrimmage which ensued was also fruitless. Some good passing by the Carthusian forwards enabled them to approach the Olympian's goal, but the final shot by Last proved wide. Following another attack by Yates and Crossley, which was foiled by Norris, Richards and Last transferred the play to the Olympic quarters, and, Warburton falling, the goal was in endangered. The ball was kicked into touch, however, and was thrown behind the goal. A long shot by Hunter sent the leather into Thompson's hands, and the latter player also foiled an attempt to score made by Matthews, while Crossley shot the ball over the bar. Yates subsequently failed to utilise a couple of chances, and Thompson twice saved his charge when Wilson headed in the leather. Eventually, when play had proceeded for thirty five minutes, Wilson kicked in the ball, and charged the keeper through, thus securing the second goal. Hansell, Cobbold, and Hardman then tried to run the ball through the Olympic goal, but Hacking defeated the attempt, and Ward sent the leather well down the field. Yates and Crossley ran the ball down, but the former fell when near the goal, and ends were changed with the score at two goals to none. Hunter restarted the ball from the centre, and after some give-and-take play the Olympic goal was attacked, and a scrimmage occurred on the goal line. Warburton relieved the danger, however, and Crossley soon followed with a wide shot at the Carthusian citadel. Seven minutes after the change Dewhurst passed the ball to the centre, and Wilson gave it to Crossley, who put it through the goal, but a claim of "off-side" was successful. Hansell made a good run, but Ward returned the leather and some good passing ended in the third goal being scored by Yates, Matthews charging the goalkeeper. A claim of "offside" against Matthews was made without avail. Evelyn soon afterwards made the first corner kick the Carthusians obtained but sent the ball behind the goal. Then Wilson and Matthews got the ball in the Carthusian goal mouth, with only the goalkeeper to oppose them, but Matthews ran in front, and Wilson kicked the ball against his back, and the danger was averted by the opposing backs. The Olympian's goal was then endangered, but Hacking twice fisted away the ball. The Olympians, whose training had well prepared them for the match, were comparatively fresh, while most of their opponents seemed exhausted, so that the remainder of the play was greatly in favour of the Blackburn team. Thirteen minutes from the close, after a corner kick by Hunter, Dewhurst forced Hunter to use his hands, and Crossley then ran the ball to the post and put it through the goal. Several other attempts were made by the Olympic forwards, but without avail, and at the close they were declared victors by four goals to none. All the Olympians played exceedingly well, but the half backs proved the strongest part of the team, and they and the forwards were so energetic that the backs and goalkeeper had very little to do throughout the match. Gibson was the best of the eleven, but the others were very little behind him, and earned their victory well. The Carthusians were somewhat disappointing. Hardman was by far the best of the forwards, and Thompson foiled many good attempts to score, but the play of the

team was not nearly equal to that of their opponents who were so quick that they often took the ball from the toe of a Carthusian."

++Shooting Stars Olympic History attributes goal to Dewhurst:"Then,after five minutes,there came the first significant manoeuvre.Hansell and Cobbold were making progress down their left flank in a promising-looking move,when Tommy Gibson spotted a momentary lack of understanding between the two.Quick as a flash he nipped between them and won the ball.His pass down the right was into the path of a galloping Tommy Dewhurst,who used the sudden space to take the ball on and hit it on the run.The fast rising shot rocketed past Thompson into the Carthusian goal." (CHECK BS SOURCE?)

Blackburn Olympic:T.J.Hacking(Goal);S.A.Warburton(Capt.),J.T.Ward(Backs);W.Astley, J.Hunter,T.K.Gibson(Half Backs); T.Dewhurst,A.Matthews(Right Wing),G.Wilson(Centre), J.Yates,J.T.Costley(Left Wing).

N.B. All reports and lineups have Crossley for Costley(corrected by the final)

Old Carthusians:C.P.Thompson(Goal),A.Amos,W.H.Norris(Backs),W.A.Evelyn,J.Vincent(Half Backs); L.M.Richards,A.J.Last(Right),E.T.Hardman,E.H.Parry(Capt.)(Centres),W.E.Hansell,W.N.Cobbold(Left). (Carthusian specified order)

\*N.B. Some lineups wrongly have H.Lowther for W.H.Norris and L.Owen for W.E.Hansell as they did not play:see FWR extract above.

Umpires:N.L.Jackson(Finchley) for Old Carthusians and F.Norris(Eagley) for Blackburn Olympic. Referee:W.Pierce-Dix(Sheffield).

OLD ETONIANS 2( R.H.Macaulay,H.C.Goodhart) NOTTS COUNTY 1(H.A.Cursham)(H.T. 0-1) (At Kennington Oval)(Sat Mar 17<sup>th</sup>)

Nottingham Evening Post 19/3/83 P.4/Nottinghamshire Guardian 23/3/83 P.12/Sportsman 19/3/83 P.4/Nottingham Journal 19/3/83 P.4/Athletic News 21/3/83 P.3/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 21/3/83 P.382/Bell's Life 24/3/83 P.4/Field 24/3/83 P.392-3/Sporting Life 20/3/83 P.1/Referee 18/3/83 P.6:

NEP/NG/+SM:"Few contests have excited more interest than the one under notice,which was decided at Kennington Oval on Saturday afternoon.The weather,though showery throughout the day,kept fine during the contest,which was witnessed by far the largest attendance down South seen during the present season.As will be seen from the subjoined details,the Midlanders,after a plucky fight,were eventually defeated by two goals to one.The play on both sides was very good,though the visitors seemed to fall away towards the close,their rivals,contrary to the general expectation,improving.

+N.B.Apart from the above paragraph the SM Report is almost identical to the NEP/NG Reports except SM has the additional wording in brackets as indicated below.

(When,at the commencement of the season now fast passing away,the midland team identified with the lace town were found to be in such splendid form they were in many quarters made firm favourites for the ultimate possession of the trophy.The Etonians,however,were in the South regarded as the probable champions of the metropolitan district,though not a few pinned their faith



to the Swifts. These however, the holders knocked out, and Notts County in the meantime having rendered a good account of themselves, both were entitled to take part in the semi-finals. Whilst the Old Carthusians and Blackburn Olympic were drawn together, Notts County and the holders were also pitted against one another, and as the contest was to be decided in the south the Surrey Cricket ground at Kennington Oval was fixed upon as the venue, and here the two teams did battle on Saturday afternoon. Both had their full strength in the field, the only alteration from the published lists being the substitution of Emmett for Moore, the latter not having sufficiently recovered from a recent mishap to take his position at back. The day did not open very favourably, the weather being more suitable for April than the preceding month, but the watery element fortunately held aloof during the continuance of the struggle, the sun shining brilliantly as long as the teams were in the field. The attendance, as anticipated, was by far the largest seen down south during the present football season, and included a large contingent of "lamps" for whose convenience trains had been run to the metropolis. As will be seen, however, from the appended details, they were doomed to witness the defeat of their champions, who, although during the first half they managed to score by the aid of H.A. Cursham, cannot be said to have had the best of the game, if we except a short period after change of ends, whilst towards the close they appeared to fall away considerably, the Etonians on the other hand seeming to take fresh heart on equalising the scores. The spectators were most impartial in their applause, whilst the contest from first to last passed off without any detraction in the way of unpleasantness.)

Half past three was the time for the commencement of hostilities, and with commendable punctuality, the Elevens turned out to do battle. The Etonians took the Crown Baths (Vauxhall) end, and the Notts men taking up position in front of the gasometer goal. All being in readiness the word was given, and at 3.37 Harry Cursham set the leather in motion on behalf of Notts (who were attired in their familiar costume of chocolate and light blue). The Old Etonians soon returned the leather, and the struggle commenced in earnest. Smith and A.W. Cursham took the fight into the Etonian quarters, but Paravicini, by a determined kick, returned the ball to the visitors' end. Greenhalgh then tried to get away, but Dunn took the ball from him. Anderson directly after made a splendid throw-in, from which a corner resulted, this being taken by Kinnaid. The shot was a good one, and a scrimmage in front of the goal ensued. H.A. Cursham and Gunn, however, took the ball away into the Etonian half, but the Notts cricketer was stopped by French and Foley. The home eleven then made an attack on the visitors' half, and a free kick fell to them off H.A. Cursham. Dunn obtained possession of the ball out of a scrimmage in front of goal and all but succeeded in scoring - indeed a shout went up from the metropolitan partisans in the pavilion, who imagined that the leather had passed between the posts. Dunn and Kinnaid were the next pair to distinguish themselves, but Macrae promptly averted danger. Gunn then made a brilliant dribble which was replied to by Bainbridge and Dunn, Macrae and A.T. Dobson again eliciting applause for their grand defence. Out of a bully in front of the visitors' fortress, which was in imminent danger, a foul was given to Notts, and the ball taken away. H.A. Cursham then passed to his brother, but Paravicini was on the alert, and the ball was promptly returned. Gunn then made a magnificent throw-in but the leather was sent behind. Goodhart and Anderson took the ball down, Chevalier passing to the latter who, in turn, passed it to Dunn. Macrae warded off danger, however, while Bainbridge then got it on the left, and bore down on the Notts goal. Dobson met the charge, and Paravicini was warmly applauded for his fine back play for the home eleven, after which Anderson ran down, Macaulay sending the ball over, rather than under the bar. Gillett's services were then called into requisition,

after which H.A.Cursham and Gunn ran down the left,the latter centreing,and Goodhart kicking behind."Hands" after the corner saved the visitors' goal for a time,but a few minutes later Macrae kicked to H.A.Cursham and Gunn,who in turn transferred to Smith and A.W.Cursham,when, after some sharp play in front of the home goal,H.A.Cursham scored the first item twenty-four minutes from the start.The downfall of the Etonian fortress was greeted with round upon round of applause. Both now played up desperately,and several scrimmages occurred in the Eton quarters. Bainbridge got the ball away,however,Paravicini backing him up well.A.W.Cursham took it back,but Dunn made a splendid dribble into the visitors' territory,which A.T.Dobson saved by kicking out.Kinnaird sent it back,but Dunn handling,Dobson had a free kick.Kinnaird again distinguished himself(with that head work for which he is proverbial),while Paravicini behind repelled more than one onslaught going across the line.(Harry) Cursham made a good dribble,Dunn replying for the Metropolitans.The former then made a further effort,and passed to his brother,who shot,but Paravicini saved.Macaulay then made a fine run,but A.W.Cursham took the ball away again.Bainbridge on the left was the next to continue the attack.Gunn gave another of his grand "throw-ins" but Goodhart headed it back.Anderson distinguished himself,after which H.A.Cursham and A.T.Dobson replied vigorously for Notts,Paravicini again checking them while well on the road.Anderson then made a fine run from a throw-in.Smith replied,the shot striking the bar and rebounding into play,C.F.Dobson returning and the leather going behind.A run by Smith was stopped by Paravicini,after which a "foul" was given against the Metropolitans.Gunn had the kick,but Chevalier took the ball away.Directly afterwards half time was called,the 45 minutes' play being very sharp work.

The ends were now changed,the visitors with the majority of one goal to love taking the Crown Baths end;Macaulay resuming from the Clayton-street end.H.A.Cursham made a good dribble,and passed to Gunn,who had the misfortune to kick behind.After a scrimmage(bully) in front of the Eton goal,Chevalier bore the ball away.A free kick for hands was allowed against Notts,which French took.The visitors charged,but Chevalier got the ball away.Notts again continued to press their adversaries' end,but at length it was sent behind.The next item was a free kick,and Chevalier again distinguished himself,Kinnaird also taking a corner.After some good passing,in which French and Anderson were conspicuous,Macaulay obtained the ball out of a scrimmage,and amid the greatest excitement,equalised the score about ten minutes after the resumption of hostilities.On the game being continued each naturally strove their hardest to obtain the winning item,and for a time it looked as if the Midlanders after all would carry the day,but the proverbial luck of their opponents did not desert them.Paravicini and Kinnaird made a joint attack,which A.T.Dobson repelled. Bainbridge was warmly applauded for a good dribble and shot at goal,the leather,however,going outside.Several good dribbles by the Etonians resulted in their assuming the offensive and Paravicini,Dunn,and Goodhart made a dashing onslaught on the visitors' territory.Lead by their captain,the Notts team endeavoured to force the Etonians' lines and Rawlinson twice had a narrow escape of saving his charge.He managed,however,to avert further disaster;indeed,his smart and cool play saved his side at a crucial juncture.The forwards then made a determined effort,when H.A.Cursham sent it back only,however,to see it returned promptly by Paravicini.Anderson,and Chevalier took it up,and running down the centre and right,Anderson middled to Goodhart,who passed it cleverly under the bar just six minutes before time.This almost unlooked for success was greeted with an outburst of almost indescribable enthusiasm.Notts,fairly roused,played up desperately.Gunn secured a corner,but Dunn and Goodhart bore the ball away.Macaulay also made a good dribble.Although the Curshams,Macrae,and Gunn made strenuous efforts to equalise the score,Foley,Kinnaird,and the other backs were on the alert,and with the forwards alive to the sense

of danger, and the goal-keeper as cool as possible, the regulation 90 minutes passed away, and the referee's whistle sounding, the Old Etonians were left victors after a very hard-fought struggle by two goals to one (thus entering the final, to be played at the same venue, on the 31<sup>st</sup> inst, when they meet the victors of the Whalley Bridge struggle (Blackburn Olympic). Both teams were loudly applauded on their return to the pavilion. (Where all worked well, it is invidious to mention specially, but for the visitors, H.A. Cursham, Gunn, Smith, Macrae, Chapman, and A.T. Dobson deserve a word of praise, whilst of the Etonians, Paravicini and Rawlinson shall alone be mentioned for their defence, the team without exception working so admirably that we should be at a loss whose name to fairly omit.)"

F: Type report from original newspaper

Old Etonians: J.F.P. Rawlinson (Goal); T.H. French, P.J. de Paravicini (Backs); Hon. A.F. Kinnaird, C.W. Foley (Half Backs); J.B.T. Chevalier, W.J. Anderson (Right Wing), H.C. Goodhart, R.H. Macaulay (Centres), A.T.B. Dunn, H.W. Bainbridge (Left Wing).

Notts County: L.F. Gillett (Goal); H.W. Emmett, A.T. Dobson (Backs); H. Chapman, C.F. Dobson, S. Macrae (Half Backs); A.W. Cursham, S.G. Smith (Right Wing), H.A. Cursham (Centre), W. Gunn, E.H. Greenhalgh (Capt.) (left Wing).

(NEP/NG/AN/SM have G.F. Gillott)

N.B. Notts County History P.14: "The gentry turned out in their carriages in large numbers" says the report. Many Notts supporters made the trip to London carrying chocolate and blue cards with "Play up Notts" written on them. H.T. Moore had been taken ill before the game, which led to late changes to the lineup. (H.W. Emmett took his place: P.112)

Umpires: J.C. Clegg and C.H.R. Wollaston. Referee: M.P. Betts.

FINAL: March 31<sup>st</sup> at Kennington Oval:

BLACKBURN OLYMPIC 2 (A. Matthews, J.T. Costley) OLD ETONIANS 1 (H.C. Goodhart) (H.T. 0-1) (F.T. 1-1) (After Extra Time)

Field 7/4/83 P.461/Blackburn Times 7/4/83 P.7/Sportsman 2/4/83 P.4/Football A Weekly Record of the Game 4/4/83 P.404-405/Sporting Life 2/4/83 P.3/Bell's Life 7/4/83 P.4/Blackburn Standard 7/4/83 P.3/Athletic News 4/4/83 P.2/Referee 1/4/83 P.6:

F: "The last match has been played in this season's Association Challenge Cup competition, and the silver trophy has, for the first time since it left the maker's hands, gone northwards. The holders of the Cup until next year are the Blackburn Olympic Club, who at Kennington Oval on Saturday beat the Old Etonians, to whose honour be it stated, that they have twice earned winning brackets, and that every other occasion when competing, they have been beaten by the winners. It is generally admitted that of late years the old boys of Eton have had their full share of Fortune's favours. Last year, in the final match with the Blackburn Rovers, they were voted very fortunate, for their goal was menaced nearly the whole of the second half; and even as recently as the 17<sup>th</sup> ult., when in the semi-final tie they were opposed by Notts County, good luck declared itself on their side. But not even the warmest partisans of Blackburn Olympic can say that such was the case on Saturday. For thirty minutes the game was carried on very evenly. Frequently the ball was forced close to either goal, but no score

could be obtained,owing in no small measure to the excellent goalkeeping on both sides.At length, after a concerted run on the part of Chevalier,Goodhart,and Macaulay,the Etonians gained the first point which proved the only one in the opening half.Following the change of ends the game progressed with varying fortunes for a brief period.Then the Etonians for nearly ten minutes were continually in the ascendant;but a severe disaster awaited them,for Dunn,who had shown as much, or more ability than any forward on the field,received an injury which prevented him from again assisting his side.The blow seemed literally to confuse the holders,and it was surprising,so persistent were the attacks of the Olympians,that their goal was only captured once,making the score level. Rallying to a considerable extent,the Etonians again asserted themselves;but as time approached it was evident that their strength was fast on the wane,and that as it had been arranged to continue for half an hour in the event of a draw,their only chance of success lay in getting the point necessary before the expiration of the ninety minutes.This they could not do,and indeed had all their work cut out to keep their own goal intact.The splendid condition of the Northerners showed during the extra half an hour's play,though one cannot lay too much stress on the fact that for nearly an hour the Etonians,playing some portion of the time with only eight sound men,(for Macaulay and Goodhart both got injured),resisted all endeavours to get the ball between their posts.It was not until ends were changed for the second time that the Blackburn players obtained the goal which gave them victory;but subsequently they were within an ace several times of improving their position,so thoroughly exhausted were several members of the losing team,who,however,once missed making matters even again by the merest shade.We congratulate the Olympic Club on their splendid condition,though we must say that going into actual training was never contemplated by those who instituted the cup competition.The victory of the northern team is perhaps a good thing for the competition and association football generally,but we could wish that the winners had come out of the two hours struggle with greater credit to themselves.There is no denying the fact that the rougher kind of play adopted by the Olympians had a great tendency to disorganise the Etonians, who,however,so long as the play was only rough,held their own.When,however,the winners began to play foul-they several times incurred the penalty for charging from behind,which was done upon two occasions at least,most deliberately,and attempts at tripping were,if not always successful, pretty frequent-the Etonians were greatly discomforted.The wearers of the light blue and white were the heavier team,and during the first hour's play proved themselves faster than the Northerners.Indeed,the excellent passing and combined play of the Blackburn Club did not tell so strongly as was anticipated until the other side had lost the services of Dunn.French and Paravicini played back splendidly,the brilliant kicking of the Oxonian,and the cool judgment of his companion being seen to great advantage.Foley,too,kicked with great accuracy,and worked very hard,while the forwards played up most pluckily and Rawlinson kept goal well.Of Kinnaird it would be difficult to speak too highly,and indeed,had the rest of the team been as capable of sustaining their efforts as was their captain,the Olympians would probably have shared the fate of the Rovers last year.For the winners Warburton did yeoman's service by his splendid back play,and Hacking between the posts showed great ability.The forwards were in capital condition,and one and all backed up in commendable style,though Yates,Wilson,Costley,and Dewhurst did perhaps the major portion of the work.

The progress of the game may be told briefly.The Old Etonians won the toss,and first defended the western goal,Wilson kicking off soon after half past three.At first the Olympian Club were in the ascendant,owing to a want of organisation in the Eton ranks,but the latter soon settled down,and in turn assumed the aggressive,and a bully in which Bainbridge,Dunn,Macaulay,and Goodhart figured

conspicuously, ended by the last-named kicking over the crossbar. After some rather disultery play, the northern goal had another narrow escape, this time Macaulay kicking rather too loftily. The game now became faster and the backs had plenty to do. A very pretty and effective bit of passing by the Blackburn forwards, who used their heads as well as their feet, threatened the Eton goal, over which the ball was eventually headed by Yates. Following this, the Etonians played so determinedly that it needed the cool play of Warburton and his assistants to keep them at bay. Dunn had a chance but, taking a shot with his left foot, just missed. Returning to the charge Eton kept the ball for some time close to the Blackburn goal through which it was forced by Goodhart out of a bully, in which all the forwards took part. A fine throw of Foley's was nearly headed through by one of the Blackburn men, and the corner kick was so admirably placed that a goal seemed inevitable. Hacking, however, saved his charge, finely, and the ball was directly taken to the other end, where an effort by Foley, which cost a corner kick, probably prevented a goal being scored by Dewhurst for Blackburn. After ends had been changed play continued very fast, but for some time, no advantage of a decisive character was gained by either side though each goal more than once narrowly escaped. Then ensued a series of Eton rushes, in one of which Dunn was so injured as to be unable to continue. This seemingly upset the calculations of the Etonians for the Olympians broke through their line continually, and out of a bully a goal was kicked by Matthews. Although subsequently playing at a great disadvantage, the Old Etonians thoroughly held their own, until towards the end of the ninety minutes, when the better condition of the trained men began to tell its tale. Time, however, expired, and the scores were still level. It would have been better had the match been then postponed; but after a consultation it was agreed to continue for half an hour. Everything was against the Etonians, as Macaulay and Goodhart were both hurt. Still, no disaster befell them during the first quarter, though they were very much pressed. On the change of ends they fought pluckily, but the odds were too much for them, and, after a run by Dewhurst, the second Blackburn goal was obtained by Costley. Although at the last moment some excitement was caused by an excellent throw-in on the part of Anderson; but the ball was subsequently passed just over rather than under the bar, and the Etonians retired defeated by two goals to one. The afternoon was favourable, and the state of the ground excellent, while the game was watched by between six and seven thousand persons. The umpires were Messrs. M.P. Betts and W. Pierce-Dix, and the referee Mr C. Crump. Shortly after the conclusion of the match the cup and medals were presented to the winning team by Major Marindin, R.E., president of the Football Association." (N.B. This was the first time that the presentation took place directly after the Final).

BT: "The match was announced to commence at 3.20 on the Kennington Oval, towards which great crowds of people flocked at that hour. The portion of the ground marked out for the game was at the opposite side to that on which the Rovers and the Old Etonians met last year—an alteration necessary for the protection of the cricket "crease" nearer the grandstand. The weather was favourable—a cool moderate breeze blowing from goal to goal, while the sun shone but rarely. At 3.15 the attendance numbered little less than 5,000, and an additional 3,000 paid for admission in the next half hour. The familiar features of many Lancashire football enthusiasts from Blackburn were here and there visible, some 300 having journeyed up to witness the match. At 25 minutes past three a hearty clapping of hands summoned the Olympians, who were soon followed by their own opponents, the Old Etonians. The captain of the Etonians won the toss, and elected to play from the goal nearest the Harleyford Road, and the Olympic team were drawn up with their backs to the Gasworks end of the field and their faces to the breeze. The Etonians appeared the superior eleven in physique, but the

play proved that the Blackburn men, after their careful training, were in better condition, and after an extremely exciting contest of two hours' duration the much coveted trophy fell into their hands. Their condition won them the match, for while towards the close the Etonians were completely "fagged out", and some of them scarcely able to run, the Olympians appeared comparatively fresh. At 3.37 Hunter started the leather by passing it to the left wing, but French returned it with a powerful kick—the powerful kicks of the Etonian backs being a prominent feature of the game. For a few minutes the Etonians possessed an advantage, but Ward and Warburton prevented them from being dangerous. Yates secured the leather in the centre of the field, and after a good dribble up the wing, in which he evaded Kinnaid and French he made a capital attempt to score, but shot the leather over the touch-line outside the goal. After the goal kick the Olympians returned with a rush, Matthews, Yates and Wilson being prominent, but the attack was fruitless, Gibson, about 20 yards from the goal, sending the ball just over the top bar. Some brilliant runs were afterwards made by Dunn, Goodhart, and Macaulay, and the Blackburn backs experienced a considerable amount of pressure. Warburton, Ward, Hunter, and Gibson were forever on the alert, however, and the Etonians experienced the utmost difficulty in getting an opening at the goal. French, Paravicini, Kinnaid, and Foley played very strongly and repeatedly sent the leather down the field. The Olympic forwards at this time played in a loose and careless fashion, and the Etonian backs had no difficulty in robbing them of the ball. This prolonged attack by the Etonians evoked long applause and shouts of "Well played Eton" were heard from all quarters of the field. The backs of both teams continued to play brilliantly, but the Eton forwards were greatly superior to the Blackburn front rank. Aroused by cries of "Play up Blackburn" the latter began to exert themselves more, and the game was contested in a more even manner. Both goals were repeatedly in danger, the most shots being made at the Etonian citadel—which was nearly captured on several occasions—Wilson heading the ball over the top bar, while Yates, Matthews, and Dewhurst each sent the leather over the touchline. After twenty-three minutes' play, Dunn, Chevalier, and Goodhart ran the ball to the front of the Olympic posts, and after a short scrimmage, the latter shot it through the goal, amid loud cheers and prolonged shouts of "Bravo", "Well played Eton" &c. The Etonians afterwards exerted themselves to secure an additional point, but the Olympians warmed to their work and returned the pressure with interest. They experienced some hard lines in their attempts to equalise the score, Yates sending the ball against the top bar, and Matthews, by a splendid shot, sending it against one of the uprights. Up to half time the match continued to be evenly contested, both teams showing great determination in their play. With the score at one goal to none in favour of the Londoners, ends were changed, and the ball was restarted by Macaulay. Now, however, a remarkable change came over the play. The Etonians had had somewhat of an advantage during the first half, but the reverse was the case, and to a greater extent, in the second period. Gibson, Astley, and Hunter repeatedly proved stumbling blocks to the Eton forwards, and they were well backed up by Ward and Warburton. The forwards commenced to play a better passing and combined game, but still the London backs were too strong for them. Time after time the Blackburnians bore down on the Etonian goal, but as often were they repelled, and the fears of the supporters of the Blackburn team that it was going to be "another Rovers' do" were frequently expressed. The continued strain commenced to tell on the Etonian team, and it became evident that they were becoming worn out, while the Olympians, seeing this, and cheered on by the encouraging shouts of their friends, redoubled their exertions. At last the Blackburnians secured a chance of equalising the score, and after 22 minutes fast and brilliant play, following the change of ends, Matthews, by a capital screw kick sent the leather past the goalkeeper, amid the tremendous cheers of the spectators, the Olympic players themselves similarly manifesting their enthusiasm. After

this the supporters of the Etonians maintained an ominous silence, while the Olympians were encouraged by the enthusiastic shouts of their friends, and on the game being re-started they again began to severely press their opponents. The latter put forth desperate exertions to stave off defeat. Foley, Kinnaid, and Paravicini continued to play well in defence of the goal, but the forwards were almost completely worn out. A few minutes before the finish Kinnaid and Bainbridge succeeded in working the leather up the field to within a few yards of the Olympic goal, and Macaulay made a swift low shot, which to all appearances was going between the posts, but Hacking, by a brilliant kick, drove it back, and it was again returned down the field. Immediately afterwards the Etonian goalkeeper had twice to repel shots with his hands, and once the Olympians claimed that it had been through the posts, but the Referee decided against them. Every movement of the ball was afterwards watched with intense interest, and every good kick evoked the applause of the onlookers. The Olympians again strained every nerve to force the ball between their opponents' posts, but though they made several good attempts they did not succeed in doing so, and with the ball in front of the Etonian goal, the Referee blew his whistle, thus announcing that the allotted time had expired, and the result was a draw-one goal each.

From all parts of the field hearty and prolonged cheers were given, but they were mingled with repeated cries of "Play on" "Play on", from the Blackburn spectators. The latter-and in fact everyone on the field-saw that the result was almost a foregone conclusion, as the Olympians appeared in good condition while their opponents were exhausted, and several members of the team gladly availed themselves of the opportunity to lie down. After a few minutes' rest the teams again took up their positions in the field, it having been decided that they should play for an extra half-hour-a quarter each way-in order to decide the tie. The subsequent play needs little comment. From the commencement the Blackburnians bore down on their opponents' stronghold, and attacked it from all quarters. The Etonian backs and goalkeeper did their utmost to repel the attack, and ends were again changed with the score at one goal each. On the resumption of the game the Olympians again pressed their opponents severely, and Matthews, by a splendid screw kick, put the ball in front of the Etonian uprights, and Crossley rushing in sent it between, and thus scored the second goal, three minutes only having elapsed. The enthusiasm from all parts of the ground was almost boundless, the Londoners themselves waving hats and handkerchiefs and cheering, while the Blackburnians were more demonstrative, cheering frantically. This was looked upon as the winning point of the match, and so it proved to be. Though the Etonians, especially Kinnaid, made one, and only one, praiseworthy attempt to score an equalising point, the Olympic backs easily defeated it, and, after the Olympians had again taken the ball down in front of the Eton stronghold, time was called, the Olympians thus being left the victors by two goals to one.

As the Olympians left the field they were generally cheered, some members of the team being carried on the shoulders of their admirers, while on returning to the pavilion each was personally congratulated by Mr W. Coddington, MP, and other Blackburn gentlemen. The Olympic backs and half backs played splendidly, Hunter and Gibson especially distinguishing themselves throughout the game. The forwards at times played rather poorly, and very frequently placed the ball at the feet of the opposing backs, but for the last half-hour they exhibited much better form than previously. For the Etonians, Kinnaid was the best, though French also worked hard throughout. Amongst the forwards, Dunn, Anderson, and Macaulay, were prominent, but at the finish of the game almost every member of the team was thoroughly worn out. Just before the score was equalised Dunn received a severe injury through colliding with Ward, and soon afterwards retired from the field, while Macaulay

and Goodhart on the one side, and Yates, Wilson, Dewhurst, and Matthews, on the other, were badly kicked, and it was with some difficulty and pain that they continued to play.” +Costley

SM: “The morning opened fine and spring-like, and for once in a way the elements proved immutable, and instead of a changeable series of “samples” a really favourable afternoon was experienced. The attendance, as anticipated, was far above that on the occasion of the contest between the Etonians and Notts County a fortnight back; indeed, it was the largest that has been seen there for several years and from a rough estimate there could not have been fewer than 7,000 assembled round the ropes or perched on every coign of vantage from which a glimpse of the game could be obtained. Play was announced for half-past three, and with commendable punctuality the elevens, which were exactly the same as announced, turned out to do battle. The Olympians had the gasometer end, and Kinnaird having arranged his followers in front of the Crown Baths goal, Hunter set the leather in motion at twenty-six minutes to four. French and Foley were the first to distinguish themselves for the metropolitans, and through their instrumentality the ball was promptly returned. Dewhurst then made a good run on the left, Chevalier, Kinnaird, and Macaulay repelling the attack, the ball going behind. Ward was next applauded for some fine defence, Bainbridge and Goodhart running the leather down, the latter having the misfortune to shoot over. The sphere still continued in the Blackburn quarters, Foley making several good throws in, but on each occasion the visitors managed to ward off danger. At first the play was a bit loose, each side in turn obtaining the advantage, and Dunn, Anderson, and Yates, in turn, making good dribbles. An allowance of “hands” to the visitors proved fruitless, and after some good play by Warburton, Anderson and Macaulay took the leather over and sent it behind, Kinnaird doing similar a few minutes later. A second free kick on the score of “hands” was accorded to the visitors, but the Etonians managed to ward off the danger, though an attack on the part of Dewhurst and Yates resulted in the latter just heading the ball over. The Etonians then made a determined attack, Macaulay and Anderson figuring prominently, but Dunn made a bad shot, and sent it over. Bully after bully in front of the visitors’ goal resulted, but it was not until just half an hour after the start that Chevalier and Macaulay ran the leather down and passed to Goodhart, who shot it under the tape amid a scene of wild applause. Nettled by this reverse, the Lancashire lads who were in splendid fettle, played up with renewed vigour. “Hands” was given against Macaulay, followed by a dashing attack by the visitors’ lefts. Goodhart next was within an ace of scoring, but Blackburn took the ball away, and it ultimately went over the goal-line. On kicking off the visiting forwards ran it smartly down, and Dewhurst was about to take his shot at goal when Foley averted the danger by kicking it behind. Gibson took the corner, and Anderson took the object of contention away, and from now till half-time the fight was carried on with varying fortune, though no further item was obtained. On change of ends Blackburn commenced to play up much better, and the advantage of their having gone in for strict training now became patent. Dunn and Bainbridge made a couple of fine dribbles on the left wing, but success did not attend their efforts. Warburton had a free kick for “hands”, but Foley returned the leather. Shortly after Kinnaird had a place kick on a foul, and sent the ball between the posts, but the shot was disallowed, not having touched one of the opposing side in its course. An attack by Yates was ward off by Rawlinson using his hands in defence of his charge. A minute or two later Matthews dribbled down, and taking a good shot from the wing equalised the score, Rawlinson being unable to prevent the leather from going through. The next noteworthy item was the retirement of Dunn (hurt), this being a severe blow to the Etonians, who were tiring fast. With only ten men the old boys began to be severely pressed, Kinnaird, who was playing in magnificent style, and Paravicini several times warding off likely scores. A shot by Goodhart



passed just outside the post, Macaulay also making a dashing attempt to score, Hacking averting the danger. As time slipped away it became evident that the Olympians would win if only the contest were prolonged, and although the Etonians strove to score a goal, but, as was their luck on the 17<sup>th</sup> ult, no such advantage fell to them, and at the expiration of the ninety minutes the result was a draw, one goal to either side. It was then resolved to play on for an additional half hour, though the Etonians were a man short. Little description is necessary, the Blackburnians, who were in the very peak of condition, being more than a match for their opponents, who were, with the exception, perhaps, of the captain, completely knocked out of time. During the first half (quarter of an hour) the old boys kept their goal intact, but shortly after changing ends Dewhurst ran down and passed to Crossley, who scored the winning point, as, although the Etonians rallied somewhat towards the close, they eventually retired defeated by two goals to one, after a couple of hours' play." + Costley

FWR: "At last the charm is broken, and a northern club has proved successful in this, the champion competition of the Association game. Last year when the Blackburn Rovers worked their way into the final, it was felt by the Southerners that it was but a question of time for the ultimate victory to be achieved by that club, or one from the same district, and the result of Saturday's match has proved these anticipations to be well founded. Two or three months ago there were very few judges of the game who thought the Blackburn Olympic would prove successful, and until Saturday last the feeling was still strongly in favour of the Etonians' chances. If hard work for a given purpose deserves success, certainly the winners of last Saturday deserved theirs, for they have been assiduously training for this event for the last three weeks or a month, and they were in the best condition for such a contest. In all probability the superior play of the Etonians would have more than counterbalanced this, but for the first time since the competition commenced this season the Old Boys had the worst of the luck, and although the Blackburn men deserve every credit for their victory, it is generally admitted that they would not have achieved it but for the injuries sustained by some of the Etonians, and the enforced absence, after about fifty minutes' play, of that plucky little Etonian, A.T.B. Dunn, who was so badly injured that he had to retire from the game.

Before detailing the play, a glance at the previous results may not be out of place. The Etonians have contested the final tie six times (including the one under notice), being twice successful. The Wanderers five times got to the last match, and each time they were successful. The Royal Engineers and Oxford University have each taken part in four finals, winning one a-piece. The Clapham Rovers were twice in the concluding tie, being successful once. The Old Carthusians have only once advanced so far in the competition, and then they were victorious, while the Blackburn Rovers is the only club which has played in a final tie that has not at one time or other held the trophy. It is worthy of mention that the Wanderers won the Cup outright (the third year in succession) in 1878, but generously returned it for competition. Another noteworthy item is the fact that the clubs which have defeated the Old Etonians in the competition have always proved the ultimate winners in the respective seasons. On only one previous occasion has an extra half-hour been necessary to decide a final, and that was after the clubs had twice played drawn games. Two players, C.H. Wollaston and Hon. A.F. Kinnaird, have been in the winning team on five occasions, the former four times with the Wanderers and once with Clapham Rovers, the latter three times with the "Old Club" and twice with the Old Etonians. Having chronicled these few interesting items we will proceed to the match of Saturday last, which, as above-mentioned, will be particularly memorable as being the first time that the Cup has been taken from the South.

The Olympians won the toss, and elected to defend the goal nearest the gasometers for the first half of the game. The advertised time for commencement was 3.30, and it was exactly five minutes later when the referee sounded the whistle for the contest to commence. Both teams appeared very nervous at the start, and play was rather wild; but, gradually settling down, the players were soon hard at work, the ball travelling from one end of the ground to the other at a great pace. Early in the game it was apparent that the Blackburn men would make a much better show than had been anticipated, and during the first quarter-of-an-hour they, if anything, had the best of the game. The long passing of the Lancashire lads appeared to considerably perplex the Etonians, Kinnaird especially showing very poor form against it. Bainbridge and Goodhart were the first to get to work, and a run by the latter menaced the visitors' goal. Yates and Costley soon returned the compliment, but French, whose play throughout the game was beyond praise, placed the ball safely away. Up and down the ground—now at one end and now at the other—is the only description that can accurately describe the game. First a huge kick by French would claim attention, then a clever return by Hunter, who showed splendid "form" from start to finish, would receive a cheer. Some long passing, in which Dewhurst, Costley, and Yates were generally conspicuous, would cause some trouble to the Etonian backs, but either French or Paravicini were invariably in the way, while the plucky vigilance of Foley enabled one or other of them to drive the ball into neutral territory. Goodhart, ever hard at work either keeping the opposition from getting the ball or cleverly dribbling it himself, frequently transferring it to a more favoured confrere, who with that dash peculiar to Etonians, would travel away until in a position to "shoot" or "middle", or until brought to bay by the tackling of the Blackburn backs. Chevalier worked tremendously hard, assisting both backs and forwards, Dunn and Bainbridge repeatedly rushed into the enemies' quarters, while Anderson, who appeared out of condition, patiently kept his place on the right, rather preferring the ball to be sent to him, than having the trouble to get it for himself. When he did get possession he invariably made a good run or passed or middled judiciously, but by comparison with such "demons for work" as Goodhart and Chevalier, he appeared to have rather an easy time of it. On the Olympic side, their captain, Hunter, was a tower of strength. When the ball was kicked off from the Eton goal, he often dashed in front of the forwards waiting for it, and placed it cleverly to one of his own side, whilst his tackling and general judgment deserve the highest commendation. There was an inclination on the part of some of the Blackburn men for "foul play", and the trips and "foul charges" of which they were guilty were a great blemish upon their otherwise skilful play. The referee had on three or four occasions to award a free kick to their opponents for this cause, and we trust they will endeavour to eliminate these distasteful "tricks" from their play before next season. Hacking had three or four times to save his charge during the early part of the game, but the strong back play of the Etonians prevented Rawlinson being pressed. It was just half an hour from the start that Kinnaird, getting the ball in mid-field, passed the ball to Chevalier, who rattled along towards the enemies' goal. Ward stopped him, but Macaulay was "backing up", and the latter obtaining possession, passed to Goodhart, who, by a good shot, sent the ball between the posts, and the ringing cheer which followed, clearly demonstrated that the Etonians had obtained their first goal. During the remainder of the first half the play was fairly even, but Goodhart nearly headed another goal from a fine throw in by Foley, and Yates had a long shot, which hit the Etonians' cross-bar. French's kicking was quite the feature of the match, so far, while Foley, Paravicini, Hunter, Warburton, Goodhart, and Dewhurst, were showing to great advantage. Half-time was called, with the Etonians still in possession of the only point scored, and those who remembered the final last year, felt confident of their success.

A few minutes' interval occurred,during which,to the considerable amusement of a large portion of the spectators unused to the proceeding,the Olympians' attendant appeared on the scene with a large black bag containing grapes and other fruits,lemonade,&c.,for their refreshment.This apparently usual part of the programme having been satisfactorily performed,the game recommenced and at once the Etonians assumed the offensive.Hacking had to save his charge from two smart attacks,and then Ward got the ball away to Dewhurst,who,with Matthews,made a clever run down.Paravicini returned,and Goodhart made a capital run.Once more Dewhurst was to the fore,and getting right away was getting dangerous when French tackled him.For a few minutes the Olympic were penned in their own quarters,the Etonians playing with great dash;Foley had a corner but placed it behind.Some good play by Warburton,Gibson,and Hunter took the game into the Etonians' quarters,but some pretty play by Chevailier and Dunn returned it.French was still playing in grand form,cheer after cheer being awarded him for his exhibitions.Then followed a short but clever run by Goodhart,who passed to Bainbridge,who muddled to Dunn,enabling the latter to put in a rattling shot,which Hacking saved splendidly and Warburton kicked away.Yates got possession,and made a really fine run,but spoiled it by taking a long shot which Rawlinson easily saved.Now commenced a series of misfortunes for the Etonians,who since half time had had considerably the best of the game.Dunn,who was playing very finely,doing any amount of work,made a clever run down the left,and was dangerously near the Blackburn goal when Warburton tackled him,and unfortunately kicked him so severely in the calf that he had to retire from the game altogether. Shortly afterwards Macaulay was also injured,receiving a bad wound in the knee,presumably from one of the formidable leather spikes,worn by the Blackburn players.Goodhart about the same time was seized with cramp,and the chances of the Etonians looked very different than they did a few minutes before.The Olympians profiting by their opponents' misfortunes at once assumed the offensive.Hunter putting the ball well to Dewhurst,the latter passed to Wilson,who transferred it to Matthews,when the latter shot hard and scored the first goal for the visitors,just twenty minutes after half-time.Loud cheers from the Blackburn contingent acknowledged the success,and the lithe little Lancashire men became enthused with new spirit,playing a terrifically fast game,and pressing the Etonians considerably.Nothing could pass the splendid defence of the Old Eton boys during this critical period;French,Paravicini,and Foley,materially assisted by Chevalier,defied all the attacks of their opponents,who after ten minutes slackened their play,and then the Etonians carried the fray to the other end.Hands having been given against the Olympic,Kinnaird had a free-kick,which he directed well into goal,but notwithstanding the desperate efforts of Goodhart,Bainbridge,and Chevalier to get near the ball it passed between the posts without touching a player.Goodhart shortly afterwards made a fine shot which just missed scoring.Two corners to the Olympic,both well placed by Hunter,were got away,and then Macaulay,who although badly injured played pluckily to the end,made a grand run,but the goalkeeper running out spoilt his shot at the expense of a corner.Both sides played hard to the finish,but time was called without further score.

It had been decided by several members of the committee present before the match commenced that in the case of a draw it was imperative to play an extra half-hour,and this was shortly commenced,the Etonians having but ten men to their opponenents ' eleven.Bainbridge started with a capital run,finishing close to the Blackburn goal,but none of his side being forward enough to help him,the ball went behind.Dewhurst next showed to advantage.Some fine play by Hunter caused the Etonians' goal to be seriously menaced.Goodhart then claimed for a foul charge,and received the free kick,but nothing came of it.French saved a dangerous shot in splendid style,and then half-time

was called, Macaulay having been just previously hurt again, so that for the last quarter-of-an-hour he was of no use to his side. After changing ends Kinnaird fought with more dash than he had shown at any other period of the game, and tried hard to stem the tide of fortune which had apparently set against his side. A clever pass from Hunter to Dewhurst enabled the latter, who should have been tackled by Paravicini, to muddle well, when Costley rushing up scored a smart goal. The cheers from the Olympian partisans were deafening at this juncture, whilst the intense excitement felt by the Blackburn players was depicted on their faces. Notwithstanding that the latter were now playing with great dash, every man apparently being as fresh as at the start, the Etonians almost succeeded in scoring. They made a wonderful effort and attacked the Olympic goal with great determination. Two corners in quick succession fell to them, and so well were they placed by Kinnaird and Foley that even now their partisans with breathless excitement were hoping that the score might be made equal. But it was not to be. This was their expiring effort, and although they bravely defended their goal for the last few minutes they retired defeated, after one of the pluckiest games ever played, by two goals to one.

The winners all played so hard and strove with such combined energy to obtain the victory that it appears almost unfair to single out any for especial praise, but it would be impossible to conclude this report without bearing testimony to the splendid play of Hunter, who undoubtedly did more towards winning the match than any of his fellows. Gibson, Warburton, Hacking, Dewhurst, and Yates also deserve special praise. The only blemishes to their game is the unnecessary rough play, and their bad habit of tripping and charging behind. These failings should be removed, for with them no team can be respected by their opponents, and to be so should be the ambition of every football club, whether playing a friendly match or an important tie.

For the Etonians the most striking exhibition was the back play of French, whose form was as good as we have ever seen. Paravicini played a good sound game, rarely making the slightest mistake. Foley was in his best form, but Kinnaird during the first hour or so appeared quite "out of it". The forwards all worked hard, although Anderson and Macaulay appeared to lack proper condition. Chevalier and Goodhart did more work than any other two men on the field. Bainbridge promises to make one of the best wing players in London. Dunn until injured played a capital game and it's undoubtedly to his absence that the Etonians owe their defeat."

SL: "The twelfth final tie for this Cup was decided at Kennington Oval on Saturday last, in the presence of quite 6,000—probably a greater number—of spectators, many ladies being amongst them. The afternoon was warm, and at intervals the sun broke out; though as a rule the atmosphere was hazy, rendering difficult the judging of distances from the far end of the ground to where the play was taking place. We mean that the on-lookers frequently fancied that there was a close shot for goal, when in reality the ball was still some yards away. The partisanship for either side was very pronounced, and the constant appeals of the Lancashire men for "hands" were received with anything but approbation. Unfair play was frequently indulged in by the Olympic; charging from behind was adopted; in addition, they pushed with their hands, and in some cases fairly took hold of their opponents to prevent them from following up the ball. Having said this we give them every credit for their backing up and passing, whilst the behind play of Warburton—the captain—was beyond all praise, his kicking being clean and his coolness almost equal to that of de Paravicini—which is meaning a great deal. The goal-keeping of Hacking was also particularly noticeable, and he had a good deal to do, as had Rawlinson on the other side. Both goal-keepers showed excellent form, and had it

not been for their steady play, the scoring of both teams would have been very heavy. Macaulay and Goodhart were well opposed by Hunter and Wilson, whilst on the wings the play of Anderson, Bainbridge, Yates, and Dewhurst shone out conspicuously. Mentioning these particular names must not be understood to derogate from the merits or exertions of the others, but only to imply that they became more frequently under notice. When the proper time was up it was agreed to play for an extra half-hour, though many of the spectators blamed Kinnaird for not postponing the match, with Dunn crippled and gone from the field, and Macaulay and Goodhart both limping from the attentions of their opponents. Speaking of Kinnaird, we must not forget to mention that he worked as hard, if not harder, than any of the Twenty-two, and that at the finish of the afternoon's work he was always in the van of the contest, and setting a good example to his side. Crippled and weakened as they were, the Old Etonians played most pluckily, and their exertions in the last quarter of an hour kept the Olympic men fully employed in preserving their goal intact. It may be doubted whether the better eleven won, but in any case the victory remains, and it was well deserved. The Blackburn men played well together, and their success may stimulate the Northern clubs in the future. Within three successive years—Darwen playing two drawn games with the Old Etonians, the Blackburn Rovers running up, and the Blackburn Olympic gaining the Cup, they have certainly had a fair amount of fortune in the later competitions.

When the two elevens had been photographed, it was as nearly as possible, half-past three, and a few minutes later Wilson kicked off for the Olympic, the Old Etonians, who had won the toss, defending the Harleyford-road goal. It was not long ere a corner kick fell to Blackburn, the Etonians at first playing wildly and disconnectedly. This, however, was soon rectified, and settling down to work in grand style, it was not long ere they in their turn pressed back the visitors, and also gained a corner-kick. From this a bully ensued in front of the Blackburn posts, but Goodhart, who had a good chance, sent the ball too high, and it went over the bar. It was thus early apparent that the holders had the pace of the "Blackpool trained" men, and could out run them at any time. Anderson, after the kick-off, made a pretty run down the centre until stopped by Hunter, and here the first contretemps occurred, Foley being kicked on the mouth by one of the Olympic forwards. The Blackburn men now resorted to a good deal of pushing and charging from behind, but still could not keep their opponents at bay, though their goal was well saved by Hacking. Black(burn) from a claim of "hands" next obtained a free kick, and the ball, mainly through Yates's efforts, was sent behind the Eton goal. Again did the Olympic goal have a narrow escape, owing to Macaulay kicking the ball over the bar, and then came some clever play by Anderson on the right and De Paravicini behind. The passing powers of the Olympic were now developing themselves, and some pretty tactics in this way were shown. Matthews, Dewhurst, Yates, and Wilson, with Hacking supporting them well, were next very active in front of the Eton goal, but eventually the ball went over the bar. Now ensued a series of desperate Eton rushes, which for some time Hunter and Warburton were able to check, but at last, out of a hard bully in front of the goal, just at four o'clock, the ball was forced through the Blackburn posts, ++Bainbridge being, we think, the last to kick the ball. After resuming "hands" again were claimed against the Old Etonians, and from the corner-kick the ball went just outside the posts, whilst from a second immediately afterwards Rawlinson well saved his charge. Backwards, from end to end, went the ball, but in every case Warburton and De Paravicini were on the look-out, until a good shot by one of the Blackburn forwards hit the cross-bar and went behind. Macaulay and Goodhart then got away, and the Blackburn goal was endangered, but well saved, whilst a capital corner-kick from Kinnaird placed the ball right in the Blackburn goal-mouth, whence Yates and Hunter removed it and ran it

down the field, whilst, when "Half-time" was called, it was well in the Etonians' territory. Having changed ends, Goodhart kicked off, and again ensued a series of runs by the forwards and wings on either side, the backs being kept well employed and the goal-keepers on the alert. To follow up every incident of the game would only weary our readers, but for the next few minutes the play having all through been very fast the Etonians made desperate attacks, the Olympic goal being twice only saved through the coolness of Hacking and Warburton. Then the Blackburn men rallied, and in their turn pressed the Etonians, one kick sending the ball high over the cross-bar, whilst another attempt was more successful, and out of a general bully the Olympic equalised matters, and scored their first goal at about twenty minutes to five. Just previously Dunn had been severely hurt through being kicked in one of the charges from behind already alluded to, and was forced to leave the field. Even thus weakened, the Old Etonians played up well, and twice seriously threatened the Olympic goal, which was, however, in very good custody, and was clearly saved, whilst in turn also the attack on the Eton goal was also strenuously kept up, and as well repulsed. Goodhart, Macaulay, Foley, Bainbridge, Yates, Wilson, and Dewhurst were chiefly prominent in these rushes. Thus matters kept on fluctuating until time was up, and each side had scored a goal. After some consultation it was agreed to play for another half-hour, and now superior condition, as well as numerical advantage told their tales. Throughout the latter portion the Blackburn men had the better of the play, as, although frequently hard pressed and driven back on their own goal-line, the Old Etonians could not succeed in scoring, whilst in the second quarter of an hour, and out of a general bully, Blackburn made the winning point. During this portion of the game, Goodhart and Macaulay could render little assistance, as both were limping badly, and in evident pain, though they exerted themselves bravely, as far as they could. Kinnaid and Anderson, with Bainbridge, now did nearly all the forward work, the Eton captain now having come up in the bully, and being literally indefatigable, whilst French and Paravicini did the defensive portion. We may mention that just prior to the finish, from a splendid throw-in by Anderson, the ball just passed over the Olympic cross-bar. Yates and Wilson, with Warburton, were the most hard working for the Olympic, whose general passing had no little to do with their ultimate success. Whilst congratulating the winners on their victory, we must also pay tribute to the late holders for the plucky fight they made with but eight sound men during the last half-hour, and in particular to Kinnaid for his untiring attempts to turn the tide in his favour."

++Goodhart

BL: "One of the largest attendances ever seen on a football field in the metropolitan district visited Kennington Oval on Saturday afternoon to witness this-the most important match of the season. The weather was an agreeable contrast to that which has been experienced of late, being beautifully mild and springlike, whilst there was scarcely a breath of air stirring. Kinnaid having won the toss for the old boys, elected to play from the Hayleyford-road goal, thus having the sun behind him for the first portion of the game, and within five minutes of the appointed time Hunter set the ball in motion, and it was immediately worked into the Eton territory. French well returned it, then Dewhurst made a capital run on the left, being finally stopped by Kinnaid, who passed to Chevalier and Macaulay, the ball finally going behind. Some fine defensive play was then shown by Ward, after which Bainbridge and Goodhart ran down the centre; but the latter shot very wide of the mark. A raid was then made into the home quarters, and Paravicini kicking very wildly, Wilson for a moment looked very dangerous, but French came to the rescue. Some splendid long passing was now shown by the Olympians, then Foley cleverly stopped Yates. Some fine runs were then made by Anderson, Dunn, and Macaulay, but Warburton was equal to the occasion. At length, however, the Lancastrians forced the

ball into their opponents' quarters, and Matthews centring to Yates, gave the latter a chance, but it was not utilised. The scene of action was soon transferred to the other end, where, out of a bully, Goodhart sent in a fast shot, which lowered the Blackburn colours. Restarting, the Olympians, following up well, soon carried the ball in dangerous proximity to the home goal, but French saved. Goodhart gaining possession by aid of Macaulay, worked it down to the other end, where a corner was gained. Some long passing between the Olympic wings then took place, but French and Foley prevented them from getting dangerous. Bainbridge and Dunn made a raid into the Blackburn ground, but Warburton cleverly saved, and Yates retaliating made a splendid shot, the ball striking the Eton cross-bar, and Dewhurst a little later on missed an easy chance of scoring. French finally relieved the pressure on his lines, and running up the field, passed to Anderson, whose shot went wide. Half time was now called, and Matthews getting well on the ball, made a dodgy run, but his final kick was but poor. After some warm work in the Eton lines, in which French showed some fine back play, Chevalier and Goodhart got away, and the latter passed to Dunn, who was within an ace of scoring, Hunter just heading the ball away in time. A corner fell to the Olympic, and some warm work ensued, Matthews finally gaining a goal for his side by a well-placed shot. Dunn was now hurt and retired. This seemed to give the Olympic more confidence, and for a long time the Eton goal was in danger, Rawlinson on more than one occasion fisting the ball away. Several corners in quick succession were gained by the Olympic, then Macaulay made a grand run from end to end of the ground, and Hacking ran out and kicked the ball out at the very nick of time. The Etonians were now tiring fast, and just before the regulation 90 minutes had expired both Goodhart and Macaulay were injured, and though they afterwards played on, they were of but little use. The score being equal the referee ordered another half hour's play, but during the first quarter of which, though the Etonians were, with the exception of Kinnaird, fearfully tired, no point was scored against them. Ends having been changed, out of a bully +Crossley scored a splendid goal, and directly afterwards Wilson gained another, but the ball having been over the line, it was disallowed. Though Eton did their best to equalise matters, it was without avail, and they were defeated by two goals to one."

+Costley

Blackburn Olympic: T.J. Hacking (Goal); S.A. Warburton (Capt.), J.T. Ward, (Backs); W. Astley, J. Hunter (Capt.), T.K. Gibson (Half Backs); T. Dewhurst, A. Matthews (Right), G. Wilson (Centre), J.T. Costley, J. Yates (Left). (BT specified order: has full names and biography)

Old Etonians: J.F.P. Rawlinson (Goal); T.H. French, P.J. de Paravicini (Backs); Hon. A.F. Kinnaird, (Capt.), C.W. Foley (Half Backs); W.J. Anderson, J.B.T. Chevalier (Right), R.H. Macaulay, H.C. Goodhart (Centres), A.T.B. Dunn, H.W. Bainbridge (Left).

Umpires: M.P. Betts (Old Harrovians) and Pierce-Dix (Treasurer Sheffield Association).

Referee: C. Crump (President Birmingham and District Association)

