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EDITORIAL

All of us who are concerned with the newsletter wish to apologise for the delay of this issue, owing to things beyond our control.

So Wolves have started off better than most of us could have expected especially after poor form towards the end of last season. But after another successful trip to America (D. Bell has kindly donated a full report on the trip) in which the lads played some excellent football, and proved with some hard work they might have a useful campaign this year. Lets all hope they can keep it up.

Editor T.O'Connor

WOLVES V NOTTS FOREST

This was a disappointing result as far as the Wolves Supporters are concerned. Curran 2 and Dougan scored for Wolves, after the latter two had missed easy chances. Forest played extremely well in the second half and deserved their point, Henry Newton scored two of the Forest goals and had an excellent game. Wagstaffe was unlucky not to get the winning goal for Wolves in the dying seconds, but in many people's eyes was cruelly tackled by at least two Forest defenders. It looked like a penalty, but the referee said no. Wagstaffe was carried off from the resulting tackle and looked as though he had twisted his ankle yet again.

MY ARTICLE ON PETER KNOWLES by Alan Hayden

A Sad Loss to Soccer

When Peter Knowles quit his soccer career to study his religion more closely, it was not just a blow to Wolves fans and staff at Molineux, but to football followers everywhere.

The young former England Under 23 international inside forward played his last football league match for Wolves against Nottingham Forest on Saturday, September 6th. The next day he was at Kingdom Hall, Wolverhampton, for a service of Jehovah's Witness. From that day he will be turning his back on a £100 a week pay packet, a club house, and a sports car to become a fulltime Jehovah's Witness.

This is a great blow to Wolves, but also to football in general as few players today are gifted with the talent Peter Knowles has shown in his soccer days. He will never be forgotten even if he never returns to the game again.

WOLVES IN AMERICA

Results:		F	A	Scorers:
West Ham	Away	2	3	Knowles, Bailey
Dundee Utd.	Home	4	2	Knowles, 2, Wilson, Bailey
West Ham	Home	4	2	McAlle 2, Bailey, Curran
Kilmarnock	Home	3	2	Curran 2, Farrington
Aston Villa	Away	2	1	Knowles (Pen), Dougan
Kilmarnock	Away	3	0	Dougan, Wagstaffe, Curran
Aston Villa	Home	5	0	Curran 2, Knowles, Dougan
Dundee Utd.	Away	2	3	Dougan 2, (Woodfield)

WOLVES RECORD:

P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS.
8	6	0	2	25	13	55

Six Pts. A Win 1 Pt. for every goal up to 3

Scorers: Curran 6, Dougan 5, Knowles 5, Bailey 3, McAlle 2,
Farrington 1, Wagstaffe 1, Woodfield 1, Wilson 1.
Total = 25.

Summary of Games:-

The Wolves started their league programme against West Ham in Baltimore. In a fast moving game Wolves went ahead when Knowles scored from 25 yards, this remained until just after half time when West Ham drew level.

Soon after West Ham went ahead with a goal, which Parkes and his fellow defenders thought passed the post on the outside. Spurred on by this West Ham increased their lead, but just before the end Bailey reduced the arrears.

For their opening "home" game Wolves entertained Dundee Utd.

The game was played in the tremendous heat. After finding themselves a goal down Wolves hit back on the interval when Knowles scored from the edge of the area.

In the second half Wolves went ahead through a Les Wilson diving header, but Dundee Utd. , hit back to level the scores 2 - 2.

Knowles then scored the goal which turned the game, meeting a Clarke cross he scored from close range. Wolves took command and Bailey raced past three defenders to put the result beyond all doubt.

In the return with West Ham John McAlle scored a most unusual first half Hat-Trick (2 for Wolves and 1 for West Ham).

His first came when a free kick had only been slightly cleared, McAlle quickly recovered to hammer it home.

The second was a header from a Knowles cross and the third was when he inadvertently helped the ball into his own net.

In the second half Wolves took command with further goals by Bailey and Curran. West Ham rallied slightly towards the end when Brooking scored from close range.

In the third successive home fixture the opposition were Kilmarnock.

Wolves were two up after thirty minutes both scored by Curran. The first from a Farrington cross and the second from a Bailey pass. "Kille" pulled one back before the break.

Soon after the interval "Kille" were level, but two minutes later Farrington scored the decider with a firmly placed header.

The first of the 2 meetings between Wolves and Villa was described by McGarry as "just like a cup tie".

In a tensely fought game Wolves finally won 2 - 1. The goals coming from Knowles (Penalty) and Dougan, who had joined his team mates after the Internation Tournament in Britain.

Wolves went ahead when Knowles scored from the spot.

Parkin put through his own net to give Villa a second half equaliser, but Dougan scored a spectacular winner late in the same half.

Note: - I am sorry this does not give a full report of the game but the information was not forthcoming.

This was Wolves second victory over Kilmarnock in a week, although this time the result was more decisive 3 - 0.

There was some doubt as to who scored for Wolves, Agency messages attributed two to Dougan, but McGarry said the "Team credited one to Wagstaffe with assistance from Dougan".

It was another good game. The first goal followed one of Bailey's long throws which Dougan headed through.

The second was the "controversial" one. Wagstaffe lobbed the ball into the middle with Dougan worrying the keeper into taking his eye off the ball it ended up in the net.

So to the game which clinched the title for Wolves. This was the return "Derby" with Villa.

The Wolves were never troubled and crushed Villa 5 - 0 with goals by Curran 2, Dougan, Knowles and Woodfield.

Note:- I am afraid this report is not particularly good owing to the lack of information on the game.

One quote by McGarry was "Villa were out classed on a perfect Pitch".

The last game was played against Dundee Utd., away in Dallas. The game resulted in Wolves second defeat of the Tournament. The Wolves opened in fine style taking a 1 - 0 interval lead through Dougan who scored a fine goal.

In the second half it was a different story and Dundee Utd., took a commanding 3 - 1 lead just before the end Dougan pulled back to 3 - 2.

Note:- Once again I would like to apologise for the lack of information in the final few reports, but hope this will give members a good idea of what happened in America.

In fact, Third Division football with Peterborough did Derek a lot of good. It sharpened his appetite for a return to the First Division, and when he signed for Leicester in 1965, he was an immediate success.

(Written by ROB GODDARD of

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WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS HOMES

1965-66	v	Manchester United	FA Cup
"	v	Bristol City	
1966-67	v	Blackburn Rovers	
"		Plymouth Argyle	
"	v	Millwall	
"	v	Preston North End	
"	v	Ipswich Town	
"	v	Bolton Wanderers	
"	v	Huddersfield Town	
"	v	Portsmouth (2)	
"	v	Northampton Town	
"	v	Rotherham United	
"	v	Bury	
"	v	Bristol City	
1967-68	v	West Bromwich Albion	
"	v	Leeds United	
"	v	Leicester City	
"	v	Burnley	
"	v	Newcastle United	
"	v	Arsenal	
"	v	Coventry City	
"	v	Stoke City	
"	v	Southampton	
"	v	Everton	
"	v	West Ham United	
"	v	Sheffield United	
"	v	Nottingham Forest	
"	v	Manchester City	
"	v	Chelsea	
"	v	Tottenham Hotspur	

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WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS AWAYS

1967-68	v	Sheffield United	4d.
1962-63	v	Arsenal	4d.
1967-68	v	Arsenal	4d.
1967-68	v	Burnley	4d.
1967-68	v	Chelsea	6d.
1966-67	v	Coventry City	4d.
1966-67	v	Everton (FA Cup Replay)	4d.
1967-68	v	Coventry City	8d.
1967-68	v	Everton	4d.
1967-68	v	Leicester City	4d.
1962-63	v	Nottingham Forest	4d.
1967-68	v	Liverpool	4d.
1966-67	v	Preston North End	4d.
1967-68	v	Newcastle United	8d.
1967-68	v	Nottingham Forest	6d.
1967-68	v	Sheffield Wednesday	6d.
1967-68	v	Southampton	8d.
1967-68	v	Stoke City	6d.
1967-68	v	Sunderland	6d.
1964-65	v	Tottenham Hotspur	3d.
1964-65	v	West Bromwich	4d.
1967-68	v	West Bromwich	4d.
1966-67	v	Birmingham City	4d.
1966-67	v	Blackburn Rovers	4d.
1966-67	v	Charlton A.	4d.
1966-67	v	Crystal Palace	4d.
1967-68	v	Huddersfield F.L.C.	4d.
1966-67	v	Huddersfield	4d.

1967-68	v	Fulham	4d.
1966-67	v	Millwall	4d.
1966-67	v	Plymouth A.	4d.
1966-67	v	Portsmouth	4d.

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SHORT STORIES OF WOLVES.

Spurs Loss Is Wolves Gain.

JOHN HOLSGROVE, our half-back, might have become a star with Spurs, but at the time Southwark-born John was playing as a young amateur in Spurs "A" team, there was a surplus of players at White Hart Lane. John, then an inside-forward remembers well his discussion with Mr. Nicholson, Spurs Manager.

"I wanted to be a full-time professional but the most Mr. Nicholson could offer me was a part-time engagement," says John. "I took a job as wages clerk at Southwark Town Hall, and eventually turned pro. with Crystal Palace."

John also had a spell as a young amateur with Arsenal.

3 A Week For "LOFTY".

Life, as a goal-keeper with Wolves usually means a match a week PHIL PARKES. It makes quite a contrast with the hectic weekends of his schooldays.

On Saturday mornings Phil ("Lofty" to his friends) played for Spon Lane Secondary Modern School in West Bromwich, and for an under-18 team, Red Star in the Handsworth League in the afternoons.

Two matches a week did not satisfy the enthusiastic young keeper, however. On Sundays he also played for a club named Churchfields Spring in the West Bromwich Sunday League.

Phil is still interested in minor football; he coaches Claremore United, a local Sunday League club.

Good Effect.

Is a spell in the Third Division harmful to a player of the First Division ability?

In the case of our Irish International centre-forward, DEREK "THE DOOG" DOUGAN, the answer is no.

Doog has just had a very good season with Wolves, featuring well in their summer success in the North American Soccer League, and for Northern Ireland in the Home International Tournament, yet many people felt his First Division days were over when he left Aston Villa for Peterborough in 1963.

L O S T:

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C O A C H E S

October 4th	Everton (H)	9.30
" 18th	West Ham (H)	9.30
November 1st	West Bromwich (H)	9.30

On October 25th, a special train to Manchester (Price 30/-), will be leaving Euston at 10.00.

The fare must be sent by the end of September to the Secretary.
(Uncrossed Postal Orders please).

A S.A.E. for receipt would be appreciated.

At present, coaches are just about paying for themselves, but not enough to be able to run any for mid-week trips. Again, a number of cars are running, but please notify the Secretary as soon as possible.

MEETING PLACE & PICK UP POINTS



MEETING ARRANGEMENTS

Home Matches 9.30.AM.
Away Times to be arranged.

FARES

Males £1 per home match
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Away matches vary according to distance!

Further details of away matches can be obtained from:-
Stuart Earl, enclosing S.A.E. reply.

