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## WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS

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### London Supporters' Club

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#### EDITORIAL

Welcome back to the new season. Thankfully the Wolves are back in business! Although the action begins in Division 2, it's especially good to be playing at all after the trauma of the club's most incredible pre-season ever. There will be an almighty thankyou from the terraces for the incomparable 'Doog' at the Blackburn fixture. We are a rather proud Supporters' Club, too, Derek being our Honorary President.

Derek Dougan has obviously worked overtime in the bid to save the Wolves and has continued the hard work since. Administration wise, he has wielded the axe and replaced all of the senior staff - no harm in having a clean sweep at that level, I say. I do feel sorry for Ian Greaves, though. He tried extremely hard last season and not only very nearly kept us up, but had the lads playing some of their most attractive soccer for quite a few years. He obviously was not in the 'Doog's plans, but he was seen with the new director's in back page newspaper photographs - supposedly part of the new team - the day before he was sacked!

Player wise, drastic measures are not possible. We don't have the money with which to replace players and currently we have a few injury problems - Andy Gray has a broken arm (suspended for the first two games anyway), Paul Bradshaw has back problems and both Peter Daniel and John Richards have missed pre-season warm-up games through injury.

Yes, it'll be a young Wolves side that starts the 1982/83 season - something that a lot of us advocated last season anyway. Promotion? I'll be disappointed if we don't make it first time out, but it won't be the end of the world if it takes two years. That's especially after what the club has gone through these last few months!

Changing the subject on to your beloved Supporters' Club. The Committee were extremely distressed to hear the full extent of members' non-attendance at the Disco/ Buffet held in July. The original Banquet was postponed due to lack of interest and we thought that maybe the price was a factor in this. So, what better than a less expensive affair in the centre of London and still having our main guest, John Richards, in attendance. Preparations were made at short notice, but not enough turned up.

This Supporters' Club was left in debt and for the first time ever we had to approach the Bank Manager for an extended overdraft. We had carried on with the event because we felt you - the members - wanted it that way. We were wrong, but we know now that next year there will not be an end-of-season function, unless there is a dramatic climb in interest. Therefore, it's up to you. What do you want?

## QUIZ NEWS

After a moderately successful season we finished third in Division 1 East of the Home Counties Supporters' Clubs Quiz League. We won two of our final three games, beating London Southampton 53-48 and APFSCIL 47-44 in a game which was only decided on the very last question. Our team in these two outings was: Peter Woodfield (Captain), Peter Abbott, Stan Armett, Steve Howard, Dave Slape and Brian Restall.

Due to other fixtures arranged prior and to holiday commitments a new date could not be found for our other outstanding fixture - away to Romford - and as neither club were really at fault for the failure to play the match, the League's decision was that it should be recorded as a scoreless draw (!) The final table was thus as follows:-

| DIVISION 1 (EAST)  | P  | W | D | L | F   | A   | Pts. |
|--------------------|----|---|---|---|-----|-----|------|
| Barking            | 10 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 577 | 347 | 18   |
| APFSCIL            | 10 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 459 | 405 | 14   |
| London Wolves      | 10 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 414 | 400 | 11   |
| Southend United    | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 307 | 417 | 7    |
| Romford            | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 355 | 421 | 5    |
| London Southampton | 10 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 314 | 436 | 5    |

Division 1 (West) champions Wimbledon beat Barking in a play-off to become overall Division 1 winners and London Nottm. Forest were victorious in Division 2. APFSCIL were League Cup winners, defeating Wimbledon in an exciting final, but Wimbledon's Jim Palmer again won the Individual competition.

Thanks to all those players who turned out for us last season and also to Adrian Lewis, Colin Whiting and Sid Green for officiating at matches and scrutineers, timekeeper quizmasters, etc.

Another season gets underway in October and I would like to repeat my appeal for new players. Some of the current side have expressed a wish to take a well-earned 'rest' from the action and therefore new players are required. If new team members are not forthcoming we may not be able to field a team next season. Quiz questions are based on information contained in the current season's Rothman's Football Yearbook - published annually in September - and while a few questions are 'book' knowledge, many more can be answered by anyone with a good general knowledge of football.

Don't be put off by thinking you know nothing - you'd probably be surprised at just how well you'd do. Please drop me a line or give me a ring and I'll be happy to discuss a few more details.

QUIZ TEAM SECRETARY'S ADDRESS: Stan Armett, 5 Ulysses Road, West Hampstead,  
 London, NW6 1ED  
 Office Telephone No: 01-629-5071

#### EDITORIAL (Continued):

This issue of 'London Wolves' very nearly did not appear at all. After long discussion we decided to delay this edition until now. Further, the next issue is not likely to appear before December or January and possibly not in it's present format. We will decide at a Committee meeting very soon as to what the best thing will be - we could revert back to a newsletter type affair. It's quite probably pointless to ask for ideas or assistance in this matter, but I never give up!

Travel matters will very much stay as they are. We were formed to get Wolves fans from London up to the games and this initial aim will never change. Obviously, the Committee will endeavour to cut costs wherever possible this season and ensure that we remain a stable and successful Wolves Supporters' Club. It would be great if we could sell more Pontoon Tickets and that's why we've included a free ticket with this issue. Have we tempted you?

I know we'll succeed, but a little help from our friends wouldn't go amiss!

Here's to the new season.

Cover Action: John Richards heads Wolves final goal of last season in the 2-1 win over West Ham.

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# DIARY .....

Tues. 8th June: Over 200 shareholders were present at the first ever Wolves Extraordinary General Meeting, called by the Wolves Action Group. After 3 hours of long discussion the meeting was asked to vote on the three resolutions. The first being the one most supporters had been crying for all season - that Harry Marshall be removed from the board.

This was proposed by Roger Hipkiss of the action group saying, 'The time has come for something to be done. As Chairman he must accept full responsibility. We have had a one-man board long enough'

Mr Marshall said that if he was to be defeated then Birmingham City would want immediate payment of the Joe Gallagher debt - £350,000 - as at the moment only 'goodwill' was keeping them from pressing us. He added that only by selling Andy Gray or the office block would the club survive as we were losing £5,000 a week on top of the £2m already owed to the bank. Almost £2m could be raised though by obtaining permission to demolish the Molineux Hotel and allowing a superstore to be built in its place. 'I am very hopeful that this would eventually come about' said the Chairman.

Under pressure, Mr Marshall admitted that only 8 of the 42 executive boxes had so far been booked for the 1982/83 season. If all were to be taken up then the revenue would come to about £200,000.

The second resolution was that Mr Wilf Sproson - 81 years old and a board member since 1958 - be removed. 'As an accountant he should have noticed the plight of the club' said Roger Hipkiss. The final resolution was that Malcolm Finlayson - ex-Wolves 'keeper' - be elected to the board

On a show of hands all resolutions were passed, but Mr Marshall quickly called for a 'ballot box vote' as was his right.

The votes were cast, sealed in the box, and taken to Lloyd's Bank overnight, leaving the action group not having won, as they had first thought !

Weds. 9th June: The results of the ballot were announced and brought the Chairman's reprieve to the annoyance of action group leaders.

The official count was as follows:

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| For Mr Marshall - 4,211  | Against - 4,107 |
| For Mr Sproson - 3,867   | Against - 4,456 |
| For Mr Finlayson - 5,029 | Against - 3,299 |

Therefore, Mr Marshall remained, Mr Sproson had been voted off the board and Malcolm Finlayson, despite being voted onto the board, could not take up a position as his election depended on Harry Marshall being removed. But, the Chairman agreed to invite him on to the board because of the shareholders' obvious confidence in him and added, 'As regards myself this gives me the necessary mandate to go ahead with revival plans at Molineux.'

But it was not the decision that the action groups wanted. Leader, Roger Hipkiss had stated at the meeting 'We need to get rid of Marshall FC' and his thought - echoed by many - still remained.

Weds. 16th June: All change - Harry Marshall resigns ! The action group had apparently threatened High Court action over the ballot box vote of last week and this had brought about his resignation.

The Wolves action group had won and as director George Clark had said, 'I will not tolerate Marshall Law any longer' But, Mr Devine, another director didn't agree, and was pictured by the Express and Star leaving Molineux with his portrait safely tucked underneath his arms !

Fri. 18th June: Doug Ellis - formerly of Aston Villa - is not surprisingly, the new Wolves Chairman with Malcolm Finlayson as his Vice-Chairman. Millionaire businessman Ellis was described by outgoing Chairman Marshall as a, '....buccaneer who moves from club to club'.

The other Molineux directors are still Mr George Clark and Mr Malcolm Goody.

Fri. 2nd July: The biggest shock to Wolverhampton football in over a hundred years - the Receiver is to be called in !

New Chairman Doug Ellis said, 'Malcolm Finlayson and I worked non-stop to try to save the club and it is with a deep sadness that this course of action has had to be taken. But I am confident that League Football will continue at Molineux next season'

The Club's bankers, Lloyd's, had told the Chairman just before his announcement to the press, that they could no longer be responsible for Wolves' liabilities despite a recent offer from Ellis and Finlayson of £250,000 from each if the bank would allow an interest-free year to the club.

The Wolves debts are said to amount to over £2.5m and the club expects a trading loss for last season of £750,000 - the season which saw Wolves relegated from Division One. Looking further ahead, next season is expected to incur a loss of over £500,000 and the situation quite obviously must be reversed.

Wed. 7th July: Wolves supporters read that their money already paid for 1982/83 Season Tickets will be put in a separate fund by Mr Ellis, who is working overtime to ensure that the Club survives.

Meanwhile Harry Marshall is reported to be in the process of contacting millionaire Jack Hayward with regard to saving the club. Jack is a life-long Wolves fan already renting one of the executive boxes for use by handicapped children. But action group leaders state that Mr Marshall should not be allowed to get back into the club - but if he comes up with the goods, who would stop him ?

Fri. 9th July: Receiver, Mr Alistair Jones, is reported to be offering four Wolves players for sale to help the club's plight. Andy Gray for £350,000, Wayne Clarke for £350,000, Peter Daniel and A.N.Other, are the supposed offers for sale.

Salaries are revealed in the Express and Star with notably Andy Gray on £50,000 per annum and Joe Gallagher on £28,000 per annum !

All the talk is about Wolves paying Birmingham and Chesterfield outstanding monies on Joe Gallagher and Alan Birch, but Barnsley still owe Wolves £36,000 when Birch was re-sold to them last February.

Tues. 13th July: Wolverhampton local council announce that they will not buy Molineux and lease it back to the Wolves - a major blow to the Receiver's plans. The council say they, too, are hard up and Mr Jones, the Receiver is left currently with only one possible buyer - a property developer from London who would want to demolish the ground !

Only two weeks to live, we're told, and the situation does not seem to have improved. Most certainly now, if Harry Marshall can come up with something, we cannot say no.

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Thurs. 15th July: Lincoln have applied to the Football League for promotion from Division Three, should Wolves fold up!

Mon. 19th July: Acting for the Receiver, Mr Alan Adams, says 'unless there is a firm commitment to take over the Club by Friday, the bulldozers will move in' The labour controlled council had earlier rejected an offer to buy the 13 acres of land, but will meet again this week to re-consider. Alan Adams states 'I am talking to several interested parties'

Meanwhile, Director's son, Mr George Clark Jnr., contacts 'London Wolves' to inform us of the Wolves Survival Fund and asks for help. The fund hopes to raise £500,000 and we call a Committee Meeting for as soon as possible.

Tues. 20th July: More discussions at Molineux between Alan Adams, Doug Ellis and now Ken Wheldon - Chairman of Walsall !

The Football League confirm that Lincoln will be promoted with Peterborough from Division Four, should the worst happen.

Thurs. 22nd July: Joe Gallagher tells the Sun newspaper that he wants to leave Molineux. 'I'd give my right arm to be back at St. Andrews ' says big Joe.

A seven-day reprieve is announced by the Receiver - we now have until Friday 30th July to convince the Football league that we can fulfill their fixtures for next season. The local council meet the Receiver again with the county's finance chairman saying, 'We are paying £750,000 a year to subsidise various leisure activities in the West Midlands and there has to be a place in that for football'

The Daily Star runs an article on the Wolves plight from an apprentice's angle. Steve McLaren says 'No one has taken the time to explain what all this means to us. They are all too preoccupied.'

Fri. 23rd July: The council pulls out again. They cannot raise the £2m needed for the Club. The good news is that Ken Wheldon and Jack Hayward are still in the picture with regard to saving the Wolves. Nevertheless every football club in England continues to watch the situation closely. If Wolves were to fold, who would be next?

Sat. 24th July: Willie Carr is to be the first of the Receivers deals! He is to be sold next week for only £10,000 to Millwall - surely a ridiculously low sum. Meanwhile the Wolves team tour the town by bus, selling their autographs in order to help the 'Save The Wolves' Fund.

Derek Dougan to become the Molineux supremo! That's the latest news as he and a group of wealthy businessmen put together their proposals - there's no doubting the Doog's popularity around Wolverhampton and he's always said his heart was with the club.

Wed. 28th July: The hard work continues. But, as yet, still no offers are acceptable to the Receiver. Doug Ellis returns from holiday with another new formula and Rotherham United's Directors are said to be interested in the situation. Derek Dougan's consortium seems closet though, and the Receiver admits a solution may be found before the Friday deadline - Amen.

Thurs. 29th July: The 'Doog' is almost there ! Wolves will be saved tomorrow.

Fri. 30th July: 16.57 hours - a £2½million deal has been settled between Derek Dougan's consortium and the Receiver. The Football League is informed and a great sigh of relief can be heard all around the town.

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Great news indeed and our W.W.L.S.C Committee Meeting that very evening gets off to a happy start. Well done and thanks to the W.W.L.S.C President and now Molineux supremo - Derek Dougan.

Sat. 31st July: 'Andy Gray can only go for £1million' states the 'Doog' - so unless Ron Atkinson wants to part with Ray Wilkins or Frank Stapleton, he's out of luck, it seems.

Mon. 2nd Aug: Derek Dougan announces a few plans in store at Molineux, 'The football club will remain intact and no players will be leaving the club. One, maybe two council representatives would be given a place on the Board. A multi-sports complex will be developed'

Also stated was that players contracts' would be negotiated on a different basis - 'perhaps a revolutionary one' said the 'Doog'. P.F.A Chairman, Gordon Taylor, would be invited to all discussions on bonuses and individual pay deals. This would be tape-recorded, if the players so wished! But, added Derek, 'I warn everyone before we start that the cake is only so big'

Tues. 3rd Aug: Ian Greaves - manager for only six months - has been sacked ! Dougan had asked Greaves to resign, but he had refused, and was advised by his lawyers to say no more. He was then dismissed. But, Derek Dougan had said that he would like to start with his own men, so perhaps the news came as no surprise.

Weds. 4th Aug: Graham Hawkins is the new manager and has been appointed less than 24 hours after Greaves dismissal - surely the quickest piece of action seen at Molineux for some time. Graham previously worked as Assistant to Graham Turner at Shrewsbury, and his early playing career saw him spend five years at Molineux making 28 league appearances. He became coach at Port Vale and then Youth team manager at Stoke City before going to the Gay Meadow.

Jack Taylor, Wolves Commercial Manager, has also been dismissed.

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The 'London Wolves' ideas for the Wolves Survival Fund were as stated to all members in a circular released early August, and so far the Donations are good with not surprisingly, many members making their donation in the form of a 'go' at the raffled football. The postal jumble sale is not going too well at present, but we're sure it'll pick up. To remind you, here's what we planned:-

DONATIONS: Cheques / Postal Orders payable to W.W.L.S.C to be sent to Dave Slape.

POSTAL JUMBLE SALE: Spare unwanted programmes, books, badges or anything else to do with football to be sent again to Dave Slape. Items coming in would be advertised in 'London Wolves' and you can find a list of the items received so far on page 11 of this mag.

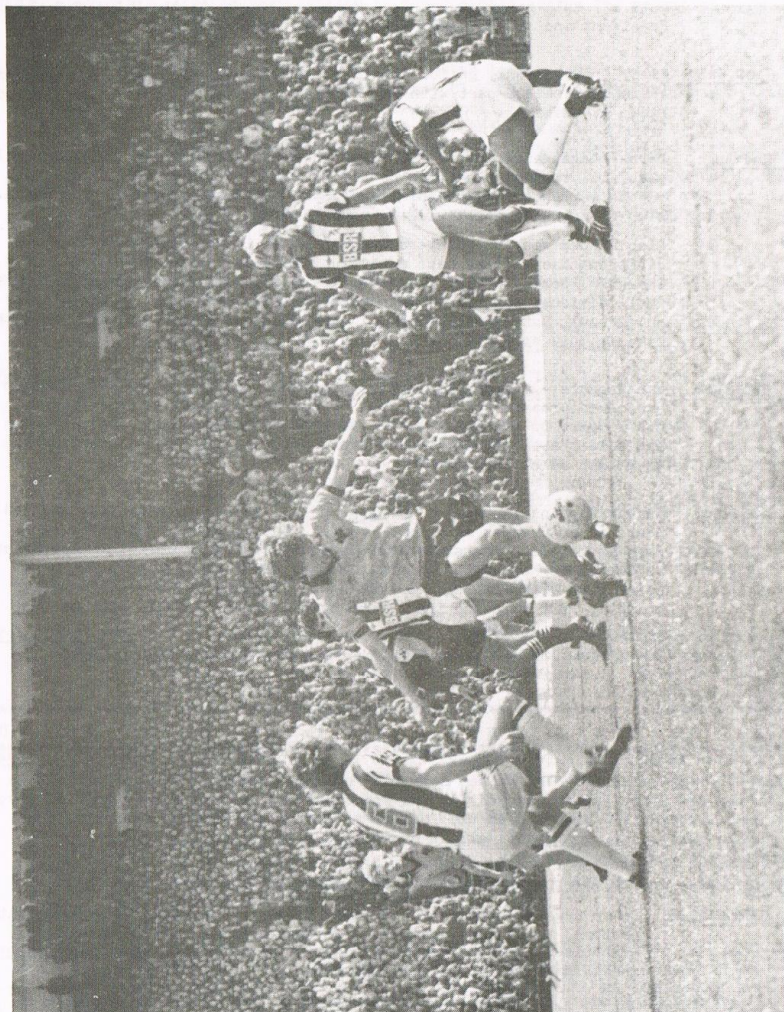
RAFFLE: A Match Ball autographed by all the Wolves team is the prize. You can have as many goes as you like for only 50p each. Again, Dave (now the rather overworked W.W.L.S.C. Secretary) is the man to send your monies to. Dave's address is, 26 Brockenhurst Way, London, S.W.16 4UD

If you've got any ideas of your own, then let us in on them. I agree that maybe the title, 'Wolves Survival Fund' is not valid any more, but nevertheless, all your efforts will be passed on to Molineux. We'll have to call it the 'Wolves Revival Fund' !

Now turn to page 11 and see if there are any programmes listed that you would want to buy.

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It's Mel Eves on the ball against Black Country rivals, West Brom.

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.....Colin Brazier has left Molineux as reported in the last issue of 'London Wolves'. Colin made his debut for Wolves in an F.A.Cup match versus Ipswich in February 1977 and his first league appearance was at Southampton on May 3rd that year. His one goal in our colours was last season at Birmingham in that memorable 3-0 win.

.....It is not strictly true to call Colin a central defender as he has appeared in almost every position for the club and none of his managers over the years have quite had the faith in him that many supporters seem to have had. He certainly hasn't been a regular either, as the record below shows.

.....In the six years since his debut, Colin has made 69 league appearances plus another 9 as substitute. The F.A.Cup saw him play 4(1) times and the League Cup 2(2). Colin came on as substitute in each of the UEFA Cup matches against Eindhoven, but maybe significantly his final appearance for the Wolves was in the 6-1 reverse at Tottenham last season! Anyway, best of luck in the states, Colin.

.....Peter Knowles, ex-Wolves star of the sixties who left the club to become a Jehovah's Witness has not had his contract retained for next season, Despite insisting he'll never play again, Wolves had always kept him on the books in the hope that he would change his mind, but he never did!

.....The Wolves Sporting Club does not seem to have been sold to Silver Racquets of Birmingham, which is contrary to previous reports. We've been told that supporters will still be using the premises in the new season for their pre-match subsistence. Maybe we have not got rid of the 'white elephant', as Harry Marshall called it. I'm quietly hoping that a home-based Wolves Supporters' Club, when formed, will use the premises.

.....1982/83 Programme Subscriptions are being dealt with by Doug Pearl for 'London Wolves' members. Write to the address on the Sales Page for full details.

.....As mentioned in our previous issue, Wolves sent a strong team to the new Football League Midlands 6-a-side Tournament held at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham on Sunday 23rd May. But, we could only finish runners-up to Birmingham City who beat us 1-0 with a goal from Mick Harford. Apparently the attendance wasn't too good, but nevertheless it was an enjoyable event. Wolves' earlier results were as follows:- Beat Nottm. Forest 2-0, Beat W.B.A. 1-0 and beat Derby County 2-0.

.....Rumours are that Wolverhampton Rugby Club want to purchase Castlecroft - the Wolves training ground until mid-way through last season.

.....George Berry, Mel Eves and Joe Gallagher were asked by John Barnwell to go with him to South Africa on that ill-fated summer tour, but were all told that they couldn't by the Receiver.

.....Billy Livingstone, Wolves Youth International, travelled with Scotland to the European Youth Championships in Finland at the end of May. Billy appeared in the first game - a 3-0 win over Albania - but didn't play again until coming on as sub in the Final against Czechoslovakia which Scotland won 3-1. Well done, Billy.

.....Wolves President John Ireland made a rare visit to Molineux for the Extraordinary General Meeting on June 8th, to cast his vote in favour of the Doug Ellis / Malcolm Finlayson partnership!



# TRAVEL.....

Travel Details up to Christmas are as follows:

|                    |                                   |   |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| <u>Home Games:</u> | Sat Sept 25th v ROTHERHAM         | } Meet Local Booking Office, Euston.<br>Depart 11.40, Arrive Wolverhampton<br>13.41. Depart 17.30, Arrive Euston<br>19.31. Fare: £5.50  |
|                    | Sat Oct 16th v LEICESTER CITY     |   |
|                    | Sat Oct 30th v DERBY COUNTY       |   |
|                    | Sat Nov 6th v GRIMSBY TOWN        |   |
|                    | Sat Nov 20th v FULHAM             |   |
|                    | Sat Dec 4th v MIDDLESBROUGH       |   |
|                    | Sat Dec 18th v Q.P.R              |   |
|                    | Tues Dec 28th v BURNLEY           | Meet Local Booking Office, Euston. Depart 15.40,<br>Arrive Wolverhampton 17.34. Depart 21.30, Arrive Euston 23.28. Fare: £5.50  |
| <u>Away Games:</u> | Sat Oct 2nd v CARLISLE UNITED     | Meet Local Booking Office, Euston. Depart<br>8.45, Arrive Carlisle 12.43. Depart 17.33, Arrive Euston 21.34. Fare: £11.00   |
|                    | Sat Oct 9th v SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY | Meet adjacent platform of departure, St<br>Pancras. Depart 10.00, Arrive Sheffield 12.59. Depart 18.00, Arrive St.<br>Pancras 21.02. Fare: £6.50  |
|                    | Sat Oct 23rd v CAMBRIDGE UNITED   | Meet adjacent platform of departure,<br>Liverpool Street. Depart 12.35, Arrive Cambridge 13.38. Depart 17.26, Arrive<br>Liverpool Street 18.39. Fare: £3.50   |
|                    | Sat Nov 13th v OLDHAM ATHLETIC    | Meet Local Booking Office, Euston. Depart<br>9.55, Arrive Manchester Piccadilly 12.41. Depart 18.15, Arrive Euston 21.00.<br>There is a frequent service to Oldham Werneth from Manchester Victoria and<br>details will available on booking. Fare: £7.50 |
|                    | Sat Dec 11th v NEWCASTLE UNITED   | Meet adjacent platform of departure,<br>Kings Cross. Depart 10.00, Arrive Newcastle 13.10. Depart 17.44, Arrive Kings<br>Cross 20.57. Fare: £10.10  |
|                    | Mon Dec 27th v SHREWSBURY TOWN    | Meet Local Booking Office, Euston. Depart<br>10.40. Change at Wolverhampton, Arrive Shrewsbury 13.44. Depart 17.24. Change<br>at Wolverhampton, Arrive Euston 20.28. Fare: £6.50  |

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All times are subject to confirmation from British Rail. Please make all telephone  
bookings between 5 & 7 pm any day except Match-days and Thursdays. Thankyou for your  
co-operation.  
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All bookings must be received at least 3 days prior to a game unless otherwise stated.  
Fares will be collected on the outward journey, but advance payments are accepted provided  
that Cheques/ Postal Orders are made payable to W.W.L.S.C. No 'credit' will be given.  
Guests travelling with the club are subject to a surcharge of 50p. No member under the  
age of 16 will be allowed to travel unless accompanied by an adult. Train tickets are to  
be collected at the specified assembly point no later than 10 minutes before the advert-  
ised departure time. Please enclose an SAE when making enquiries.

## Fines for Non-attendance and Late Cancellations:

Any member having previously made a booking and failing to collect his/her ticket,  
will be subject to a fine of £1.00. Until paid the member will not be allowed tickets for  
any subsequent trips. The same is imposed on a member cancelling a booking after the  
advertised closing date.

Travel Secretary's Address: 77 The Street, Ashted, Surrey.  
Telephone Number: Ashted 77660

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NOTE THE PRICES TO HOME GAMES ARE STILL LOWER THAN TWO YEARS AGO - LET'S SEE IF WE CAN  
GET MORE PEOPLE TRAVELLING TO AT LEAST ONE GAME NEXT SEASON TO THE SUPPORT THE LADS, EH !  
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# DISCO / BUFFET

The Banquet was off, but the faithful few who supported our Disco and Buffet at the  
Lexpo on the evening of Saturday 17th July certainly had a great time.

Stuart had hastily arranged the event and it went remarkably well. It was a lively  
Disco and continued until at least half past one Sunday morning. Thanks, Stuart.

John Richards - in his testimonial season - drove down on the Saturday morning and  
ventured into the Oxford Street crowds for some shopping with his lovely wife, Pam. The  
W.W.L.S.C had arranged their overnight accomodation in a London hotel, so there was to  
be no worries about a long drive home after the 'do'.

For John, Pam and some of our Committee (with guests) the events began early with  
an excellent meal at a top Piccadilly restaurant. We were all in good humour - even  
John, despite Pam receiving the largest piece of gateau !

Seriously, though, we all had a great time before joining members at the Lexpo  
Sports and Social Club, for the music.

The fact that only 45 members attended, fully justified our decision to abandon  
the full Banquet, but we didn't let those missing spoil our evening. If all's gone well  
with our printing, then you can see some of Ray Stock's snaps on page 17 of this  
magazine. If we've encountered problems, then you'll have to make do with an action shot  
of the Wolves. Fingers crossed, eh !

J.R. despite being quizzed constantly about the current Wolves situation thoroughly  
enjoyed himself and I have since received the following letter from John thanking  
us all: -

'I am writing to thank you, and all the people who were there, for a fabulous  
night at the dinner and Disco. Pam and I really enjoyed ourselves.

'Everybody made us very welcome and we felt very much at ease. In fact I was so  
much at ease I had difficulty controlling my legs on the way back to the hotel (a point  
that Pam didn't fail to mention on the following morning ) Bless her.

'Many thanks also for the donation to my testimonial fund. As I said on the night,  
your support over the years has been more than enough for me. Thanks for that too.

'Good news about the club, isn't it? Especially with Derek taking over. There  
can't be too many supporters clubs with a football club Chairman as an Honorary  
member.

'Bye for now, John Richards.

That just leaves me to say, 'Thanks a lot for coming, John. We were glad to see  
you, and here's to the next time.'

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W.W.L.S.C. POSTAL JUMBLE SALE .....  
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Dave Slake has all of the following;

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| Rotherham v Wolves F.A.Cup Rd 3 1967/68, 40p + 16p | Man. United Homes versus:                          |
| Sheffield Wed v Wolves Div.1. 1968/69, 40p + 16p   | Liverpool, Sunderland, Stoke(2)                    |
| Brighton v Wolves Div.1. 1980/81, 25p + 16p        | Everton, 1981/82, 25p + 16p                        |
| Colchester v Wolves S.Leslie Test 80/81, 25p + 16p | Man. United Aways versus:                          |
| Coventry v Wolves Div.1. 1980/81, 30p + 16p        | Sunderland, Southampton,                           |
| Middlesbrough v Wolves F.A.Cup                     | 1981/82, 30p + 16p                                 |
| Rd 6 1980/81, 30p + 16p                            |  |
| Mansfield v Wolves S.Weaver Test 81/82, 25p + 16p  | Enfield v Crystal Palace                           |
| Coventry v Wolves Div.1. 1981/82, 30p + 16p        | F.A.Cup Rd 3 1981/82, 20p                          |
| Wolves v Man. United Div.1. 1981/82, 40p + 16p     | + 16p  |
| Wolves Souvenir Belt - 40p + 20p                   | Hibernian v Liverpool Fairs Cup 1970/71, 50p + 16p |



# A. G. M. 1981-82

BY COLIN WHITING

Report of the W.W.L.S.C Annual General Meeting held at the Lexpo Sports and Social Club, Saturday 5th June, 1982.

There were 11 members in attendance although Doug Pearl joined us later in the evening. Apologies for absence were received from Peter Abbott. The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and the minutes from last years meeting were agreed. There being no matters arising, they were duly signed as a true record.

## Chairman's Statement:

Stuart Earl thanked all those present for coming along although he was disappointed at the low turnout. He also thanked all the Committee members for fulfilling their tasks throughout the season.

## Secretary's Report:

The membership was stated as 327 including 17 Honorary members. £1242 had been paid to the Treasurer for fees, £430 of which had been used for stamps and stationery for the magazine.

## Treasurer's Report:

A quiet year, probably due to Wolves having had a bad season and all figures are reduced from previous seasons (see Income / Expenditure Account). But the Treasurer, along with the rest of the Committee, was greatly concerned as to the amount of money owed to the Club by Mark Feehan. This was broken down as follows:-

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Amount owed to Sales    | £30.00 |
| Bounced Cheque          | £13.00 |
| Four Semi-Final tickets | £24.00 |
| Total:                  | £67.00 |

It was felt that this rather large debt should not be allowed to continue, and as earlier letters had not been replied to, Stuart Earl said he would write to Mark Feehan's parents stressing that there was the possibility of legal action being taken in order to recover this money.

The Treasurer added that debts had been reduced throughout the year due to tighter controls.

## Travel Secretary's Report:

Terry Peachey thanked Dave Slape for doing the job on most of the away trips during the season, and to Doug Pearl for his all round help. Trips were run to 34 league games, one Cup game and the testimonial game against Moscow Dynamo. On March 16th, four members travelled with London Leeds United to the Wolves home fixture, and three members - Peter Abbott, Stan Armett and Dave Slape - watched every Wolves first team match.

Attendances were down from last year. The average for home games was 28 as opposed to 30 last year and the average for away games was 15 as opposed to 18 last year.

The Answer-Phone still has not been installed. Terry got married last August and although the system would be needed, due to the lower attendances, Terry and his wife were able to cope with the enquiries.

British Rail didn't know at this stage whether or not Midland Region fares would be increased for the new season.

## Editor's Report:

Since the last A.G.M there had been four magazines and a fifth was now due. The Roneo machine was no longer used except for circulars and now each issue is printed by a London company close to where Stan Armett works.

The Editor felt that costs were a little lower this season and postage was down due to the smaller size and lower weight. The 'Focus' feature apparently had been well received by the members. Peter was planning to continue next season but stressed in his notes to the Chairman that he was looking for more involvement from the members by way of articles, etc. Finally, he thanked Stan Armett for his match reports.

## Sales Report:

A profit of £25.32 had been made in the year and our thanks are on offer to Doug Pearl for taking over at such short notice. There is a stock of programmes for sale and they would be listed in the next magazine.

## Pontoon Sales Report:

Sales were down, but nevertheless 12,585 tickets were sold. Monies received amounted to £731.10 and costs were; Stamps and stationery £53.94, Pontoon winnings £78.00, Boxes £276 amounting to a total of £407.94. Therefore the net profit was £323.16.

With the next issue of the magazine, every member would receive one free pontoon ticket. This is designed to stimulate interest which seems to have declined over the past year, but those who did sell the tickets during the season must be thanked for their sterling efforts.

## Sunday Football Secretary's Report:

The team started the season well but as interest waned, the results dropped off. The final league position is not clear yet due to late results from other teams.

A profit of £89 was made after expenses, but there was considerable doubt as to whether the team would continue next year as Tony Stewart was resigning. Adrian Lewis asked as to how many players were W.W.L.S.C members and received the answer of just six.

## Quiz Team Secretary's Report:

A fairly moderate season finishing third in the league - we were second the previous season. The First Division this year had been divided into two sections, London Wolves being in the East section. Half the number of games played were won, including a notable win over Barking who took the title.

The Romford away game still hadn't been played and no date was fixed. In the Cup, we were beaten by APFSCIL who went on to win the trophy and in the Individual competition, our four semi-finalists all failed to make the Final.

Eight players were used throughout the season and thanks were on hand to the Quiz-masters and time-keepers. One or two members of the team had spoken of retiring from the scene next year and Stan stressed that new players were needed otherwise the side might well have to fold.

## Miscellaneous:

Terry Peachey proposed that the Sunday Football Team be disbanded and was seconded by Adrian Lewis. Votes for - 11, no votes against and no abstentions. Motion carried.

Finally, Adrian mentioned that £175 was still owed from previous seasons and Tony Stewart agreed to look into the matter.

## Election Of Officers - 1982/83:

The following were all re-elected unopposed; President - Derek Dougan, Chairman - Stuart Earl, Secretary - Dave Slape, Treasurer - Adrian Lewis, Travel Secretary - Terry Peachey, Editor - Peter Abbott, Sales Officer - Doug Pearl, Pontoon Sales Officer - Colin Whiting, Quiz Team Secretary - Stan Armett.

Adrian Lewis proposed that Grant Saunders become a Committee Member and was seconded by Terry Peachey. This left three members, Grant Saunders, Ray Stock and Mike Spittle, going for the two positions of Committee Member. The voting was as follows; Ray Stock - 10 votes, Grant Saunders - 10 votes, Mike Spittle - 1 vote. Ray and Grant were duly elected to the Committee and thanks were on offer to Mike for services rendered in the past.

## Any Other Business:

1. Adrian Lewis proposed that UK membership fees be raised from £4 to £5 and that overseas fees be raised from £5 to £6. Colin Whiting seconded and after a long discussion it was voted upon; Votes for - 9, Votes against - 1, Abstentions - 1. Motion carried.

2. Dave Slape wanted to discuss the purchase of Paul Bradshaw's Player-Of-The-Year trophy and it was decided to defer this until the next Committee meeting.



3. The Annual Banquet was giving cause for concern with only 31 so far having booked. A long discussion took place as to whether or not the Banquet should go ahead or be replaced by a Disco at the Lexpo. Terry Peachey stated emphatically that the guests from Wolves should be given a proper meal at all costs.

In the end it was felt that there was no alternative but to cancel the event at the Surrey Banqueting suite due to lack of interest.

It was agreed to replace this with a Disco at the Lexpo preceded by a meal at a London restaurant. Needless to say all those having purchased tickets for the Banquet would have their monies refunded and Dave Slape agreed to arrange this. It was stressed that John Richards and Derek Dougan were still invited to the function.

Ray Stock proposed that only Committee Members attend the meal beforehand and was seconded by Colin Whiting. Votes for - 7, Votes against - 4. Motion carried.

A cold buffet, it was added, would be provided at the Lexpo for members, at a cost of £3.50 per head.

4. The subject of 'spare' Committee Members was raised in Peter Abbott's notes to Stuart with regard to making themselves available throughout the season when problems arose. An example was used of when Mark Feehan stood down as Sales Officer and was replaced by a non-committee member in Doug Pearl. A discussion followed, but no change to the present set-up was proposed.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

## 'PONTOON TIME'

As mentioned in the A.G.M. notes, you would have received with this issue of 'London Wolves' a W.W.L.S.C. Pontoon Ticket - with the compliments of the club.

You never know, you may have a £10 winner!

The point of the exercise is to show members what exactly a Pontoon Ticket looks like and to, hopefully, encourage you to become a seller for the Supporters' Club.

Last season the number of members participating in this venture dropped from earlier years. The Committee would like you all to have a go at helping your Club in this way. You can see from our Income and Expenditure Account that it can be very profitable for us and for the lucky winners - it can be a whole lot of fun, too!

'London Wolves' Pontoon Tickets can be sold to your family, friends and workmates. You too can have a go. All profits are ploughed back into funds, so enabling this Supporters' Club to operate in the way that you have come to expect.

Tickets are distributed in monthly batches by Colin Whiting and he'll be delighted to hear from you if you feel you can help in this way.

Pontoon Sales Officer's Address: 51b Chichele Road, London, NW2

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### WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS LONDON SUPPORTERS' CLUB

#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS FOR SEASON 1981 / 82

| Income:                         |                  | Expenditure:                  |                  |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Match Fares                     | 4092.50          | British Rail                  | 3935.70          |
| Match Tickets                   | 1397.75          | Match Tickets                 | 1412.50          |
| Pontoon Sales                   | 746.80           | Pontoon Expenses              | 408.44           |
| Membership Subscriptions        | 1249.22          | Quiz League Expenses          | 68.00            |
| Fines                           | 9.00             | Committee Meetings Expenses   | 46.00            |
| Postage                         | 4.93             | Secretarial Expenses          | 470.44           |
| Sales                           | 78.70            | Sales                         | 17.57            |
| Sweaters, etc                   | 286.25           | Sweaters, etc                 | 438.69           |
| Magazine Sales                  | 9.50             | Sales Refunds                 | 29.58            |
| Mark Feehan Repayments          | 5.00             | Unpaid Cheques                | 43.00            |
| Banquet Tickets (82)            | 126.00           | Banquet Deposit               | 110.00           |
| Donation                        | 1.90             | Miscellaneous Expenses        | 17.80            |
| Banquet Tickets (81)            | 361.00           | Bank Charges                  | 6.29             |
| Semi-Final Replay (81)          | 5.00             | Telephone Bill                | 42.00            |
| Bounced Cheques (81)            | 50.00            | Trophy (81)                   | 23.25            |
| Fares (80/81)                   | 4.25             | Magazine Expenses             | 817.11           |
| Season Tickets                  | 120.00           | Ansafone Machine              | 132.25           |
| Derek Dougan Books              | 25.00            | London Wolves F.C. Pitches    | 211.25           |
| England / Scotland Tickets (81) | 10.50            | Wolves Match Ball Sponsorship | 115.00           |
| England / Hungary Tickets       | 184.00           | England / Hungary Tickets     | 184.00           |
| <b>Total Income:</b>            | <b>£ 8767.30</b> | <b>Total Expenditure:</b>     | <b>£ 8528.87</b> |

Difference being £ 238.43

Bank Balance at 1.7.81 was deficit £ 54.56

Bank Balance at 1.6.82 is credit of

£ 183.87

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#### General Comments:

Due mainly to the present fortunes of the Wolves, it was a very quiet year financially for the W.W.L.S.C with turnover down from £ 36,000 to £ 17,000. All members of the Committee have been very helpful in their own financial dealings.

The profit on Match Fares is down from £400 to £160 and Terry has a small amount still owing him on Match Tickets. There are about 12 sweaters, etc left and they are worth over £100.

Mark Feehan owes this club around £60 in bounced cheques and 1981 Semi-Final tickets of which we have so far received £5. Sales refunds were made during the changeover period of Sales Officers when members did not receive certain goods and miscellaneous expenses are those made to Wolves and British Rail for Xmas presents, etc.

The telephone bill of £42 was to Terry for the expense of his own telephone and the loan to London Wolves F.C. is expected to be received tonight (June 5th)

Finally, I can confirm that these accounts have been prepared fairly and honestly - Treasurer, Adrian Lewis.



# FOCUS '14'

NAME: GEOFF KENT

Birthplace: Farnborough

Birthdate: 19th November, 1963

Other Clubs: Bristol City Supporters' Club Favourite Wolves Player: Mick Matthews

Favourite Non-Wolves Player: Trevor Francis and Paul Mariner

Favourite Other Teams: Hull City, Port Vale and Mansfield Town

Most Memorable Wolves Match: 4-1 win over Liverpool two seasons ago

Most Memorable Non-Wolves Match: Brazil versus Italy, World Cup Qtr Final, 1982.

Friendliest Away Fans: Torquay United Favourite Holiday Resort: Torquay

Favourite Food: Scampi Best Film Seen: Silver Dream Racer

Favourite Music: Fall, Elvis Costello, The Birthday Party.

Favourite TV Programmes: Blakes Seven, M.A.S.H, Worzel Gummidge

Worst Match Ever Seen: Crystal Palace versus Wolves, 0-0, 1980/81

Biggest Disappointment: If Wolves don't go up next season

Biggest Dislikes: Luton Town, Brighton, Harry Marshall

Honours: Designing the 'London Wolves' Motif

Who would you most like to meet: John McEnroe, The Pope, Mark E. Smith (of the Fall)

## LETTERS...

Wagnergasse 16, Zurich 8008,  
Switzerland.

Hearty thanks for your letter and club magazine. It is a shame that Wolves are relegated to Division 2. I can sympathise with you, how it must feel for you. However, let me say to you 'Other always come and joy and sorrow always live very close together'. My 1FCK friends and I had to live with the threat of relegation for many years and are now able to experience better times again. Head up and continue your loyal support for the Wolves.

It was a successful year for you English with Aston Villa winning the European Cup and the National X1 doing well in Spain. The German X1 have lost much skill and it is not surprising to me that their expertise is no longer so high. The World Cup came a month too early for the German players. In spite of that there were many preparatory games against teams in the World Cup, such as 1FCK against the Cameroons. This game definitely wasn't needed, since the African guests confused the Betzenburg Stadium with a slaughterhouse. It was a disgraceful display and unworthy of football.

In the meantime, my friend Puis and I celebrated our club's 10-year jubilee. 1FCK club manager, Norbert Thines placed his house at our disposal. It was a glorious occasion. Next season, a great deal is expected of Kaiserslautern as the two new signings - Nilsson (Gothenburg and Sweden) and T. Alofs (Dusseldorf) - could offer a good return for money. Perhaps a Championship lies within our reach once again after many years.

I will write again soon and hope very much that you keep me informed of news in England. Greetings to all Wolves fans and much joy in the 1982/83 season.

Eugene Koch.

Namndcmansg 11, S-57300 Tranas,  
Sweden.

I'm so sorry I couldn't after all come to the Disco, but I decided too late. It would have been fun to meet my favourite player - John Richards. I think I am coming to Wolves again - I was there in March 1981 when we played Middlesbrough in the F.A.Cup. I also went to Castlecroft for autographs, but it was not the right time to talk with the players.

When I come to Wolverhampton I will need somewhere to stay. I am 28 and ask that you publish this in your magazine and a member could contact me at the above address. I hope the Disco went well and that our financial problems will get better.

Richard Widell.

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Sheer enjoyment - guest of honour at the W.W.L.S.C. disco/buffet John Richards, lets himself go!



Little and large - Chairman Stuart Earl presents John with a cheque for £100.

Ladies Night too - Angie Stock (left) with Pam Richards.





# FIXTURES

1982

August 28th: Blackburn Rovers (h)  
31st: Chelsea (a)  
Sept 4th: Leeds United (a)  
7th: Charlton Athletic (h)  
11th: Barnsley (h)  
18th: Bolton Wanderers (a)  
25th: Rotherham United (h)  
Oct 2nd: Carlisle United (a)  
6th: League Cup Rd 2 1st Leg  
9th: Sheffield Wednesday (a)  
16th: Leicester City (h)  
23rd: Cambridge United (a)  
27th: League Cup Rd 2 2nd Leg  
30th: Derby County (h)  
Nov 6th: Grimsby Town (h)  
10th: League Cup Rd 3  
13th: Oldham Athletic (a)  
20th: Fulham (h)  
27th: Crystal Palace (h)  
Dec 1st: League Cup Rd 4  
4th: Middlesbrough (h)  
11th: Newcastle (a)  
18th: Queens Park Rangers (h)  
27th: Shrewsbury Town (a)  
28th: Burnley (h)

1983

Jan 1st: Fulham (a)  
3rd: Leeds United (h)  
8th: FA Cup Rd 3  
15th: Blackburn Rovers (a)  
19th: League Cup Rd 5  
22nd: Chelsea (h)  
29th: FA Cup Rd 4

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Feb 5th: Barnsley (a)  
9th: League Cup SF 1st Leg  
12th: Carlisle United (h)  
16th: League Cup SF 2nd Leg  
19th: Sheffield Wednesday (h) (5)  
26th: Leicester City (a)  
Mar 5th: Cambridge United (h)  
12th: Derby County (a) (6)  
19th: Grimsby Town (a)  
26th: Oldham Athletic (h)  
Apr 2nd: Burnley (a)  
4th: Shrewsbury Town (h)  
9th: Rotherham United (a)  
16th: Bolton Wanderers (h) (SF)  
23rd: Middlesbrough (a)  
30th: Crystal Palace (h)  
May 2nd: Charlton Athletic (a)  
7th: Queens Park Rangers (a)  
14th: Newcastle United (h)  
21st: FA Cup Final

Five years ago in the Second Division we lost 1-2 at Molineux against Blackburn - we won't want that repeated on the opening day this season. A good start will be vital to our aim of a quick promotion (despite what Norwich fans might say) and if confidence is high we could get a result at Stamford Bridge in the next game. I don't fancy the Leeds game so early on, but I do remember the win at Elland Road two years ago.

Anyway, fingers crossed for a good start and Division One beckoning at the end of May!

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# SALES

All of the following Sales Souvenirs are available from Sales Officer, Doug Pearl or from the North Bank Souvenir Shop at Molineux.

The profits from these sales go direct to the Wolves Football Club and we would like to remind members that persons selling souvenirs on the streets around Molineux are in no way connected with the club.

When making your orders, please include postage as stated and we advise that for the high value items such as Sweaters, a charge for 'Recorded Delivery' be included. Please make all cheques or postal orders payable to W.W.L.S.C, except when ordering direct from Molineux when these should be made payable to Wolves Souvenir Shop.

OFFICIAL CLUB SWEATSHIRT: Grey, fleeced lined with 'Lonsdale' style printing, Wolverhampton Wanderers F.C.  
Sizes 26' to 30' £6.95 + £1.00, Sizes 32' to 44' £8.95 + £1.00

BLACK SWEATSHIRT: With embroidered badge  
Sizes 30' to 32' £6.95 + 75p, Sizes 34' to 42' £7.95 + 75p

CLUB TIES: Black, Navy Blue or Brown £3.75 + 25p HATS: Woven wolfhead Bob Hat £2.00 + 30p

SCARVES: Gold and Black Bars £2.50 + 40p  
Wolfhead - knitted name £3.50 + 40p  
Printed Satin (Tafetta) £1.00 + 25p Gold and Black Bars Bob Hat £1.50 + 30p

CAR STICKERS: Wolfhead - Long or Round 40p + 20p

OTHER SOUVENIRS: Bedsread £11.95 + £2.30  
Leather Wallet £6.75 + 35p Autograph Book £1.25 + 35p  
Playing Cards £1.95 + 35p Sew-on-patches 60p + 20p  
Season Ticket Holder 50p + 30p Sweatbands £1.00 + 30p

PROGRAMMES: Homes (30p + 11½p): 1979/80 Watford FAC5, Norwich FAC4, Coventry, Ipswich, Leeds U, WBA, Middlesbrough, Man U, Man C, Tottenham, Norwich.  
1980/81 Leicester, Man C, Arsenal, Man U, Birmingham C, Everton, Aston Villa  
Aways (30p/40p + 11½p) 1978/79 Bristol C, WBA.  
1979/80 Grimsby LCSF, Grimsby LCSFR (Derby), Aston Villa  
1980/81 Arsenal, C. Palace, Tottenham, Nottm. Forest, Stoke C, Tottenham FACSF  
1981/82 Brighton

SALES OFFICERS ADDRESS: 17 Holbrook Road, Cambridge.

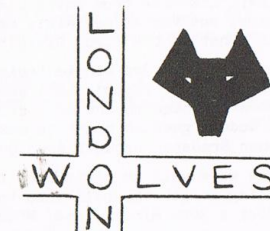
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SWEATSHIRTS AND TEE-SHIRTS.

These are available from Treasurer, Adrian Lewis. They are in Black, but stocks are now low, so order today! Please remember to state sizes and make cheques, postal orders payable to W.W.L.S.C.

SWEATERS £10.00  
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TREASURER'S ADDRESS: 14 Coombehurst Close, Hadley Wood, Herts, EN4 0JU

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# MATCH ACTION:

Stoke City 2 Wolves 1 Saturday 24th April, 1982. Att: 13,797

On an action filled afternoon, Wirral referee Derek Owen was the villain of the peace for Wolves. After we had been in total control from the first kick, leading through Ken Hibbitt, Mr Owen began to take the entire stage and a catalogue of dubious decisions incensed Wolves to such an extent that Andy Gray was given his marching orders and the names of Eves, Richards, Hibbitt, Carr and Berry went into the book along with those of Paul A. Johnson and Dave Watson. Mr Owen's histrionics almost certainly cost Wolves the match and with Gray now facing suspension from at least two of the remaining four games - his second dismissal of the season - make the survival prospects even blacker.

There was hardly a hint of malice between the two teams and yet Mr Owen failed to grasp the fact that this was a match in which the clubs' and players' futures were at stake with relegation looming. Biley had an early shot at Bradshaw, then good work by Richards set up Clarke whose fierce shot was blocked to show there was some football. Wolves went well on top when taking a deserved lead midway through the first half. Gray played the ball into Richards on the edge of the box and he killed it stone dead allowing HIBBITT to steam in and explode a right foot shot past Fox.

Soon after Eves was pulled up for fouling Maguire and when he protested, his name was taken and Hibbitt was booked too, though he seemed only to be trying to call Eves away from his argument with the referee. When the kick was taken, Chapman headed just over. In the 35th minute Stoke drew level from a dubious penalty award. The ball fell loose to Chapman on the edge of the box and he hammered in a shot which struck Berry's hand from point blank range and he could do little to get out of the way - surely a case of hand to ball. But a penalty it was and after Gray had been booked for protesting, MAGUIRE hit his shot well, to Bradshaw's right and just inside a post. Two minutes later Richards was booked for trying to claim a free kick and seconds after, Mr Owen blew up to stop the game and dismiss Gray who seemed to be continuing the penalty dispute.

Wolves, rattled by the referee's actions and handicapped by Gray's departure, were still looking the better side, but there was a body blow after 52 minutes when Stoke cashed in on defensive hesitancy and a miskicked clearance from Berry was pounced upon by CHAPMAN and he stabbed the ball home. It was going to be hard now for the Wolves, but they continued to press forward where possible. Carr picked up his booking and when Richards was chopped down by Watson the caution hardly seemed sufficient. From this free kick, Hibbitt hammered in the rebound after Hollifield had shot, but Fox fell on the ball as it was about to curl in at the far post.

It was not enough. The whole day left Wolves with a bitter taste in their mouths, and a feeling of resignation.

WOLVES: Bradshaw 7, Humphrey 6, Hollifield 7, Eves 6, Berry 5, Coy 7, Hibbitt 8, Carr 7, Gray 5, Richards 7, Clarke 6. Sub: Matthews 6 (replaced Richards after 72 mins)

Wolves 1 West Bromwich Albion 2 Saturday 1st May, 1982. Att: 19,813

Tony Godden recalled to the Albion side after a spell out was their hero and Wolves executioner. His save from Wayne Clarke's 7th minute penalty not only changed the course of the game, but almost certainly meant that those deadly Black Country rivals will not face each other in the First Division next season.

As early as the 3rd minute Regis blazed over, but then Albion's defence got into a muddle and when Robertson's ball across his own box was handled by Cowdrill, referee Clive Thomas pointed to the spot straight away. Clarke stepped forward to take the vital kick but Godden guessed right to make a fine save. Albion might have had a penalty themselves when Bradshaw brought down Owen but Mr Thomas would not entertain the appeals.

Wolves were well in control of the midfield battle but despite fine approach work were failing to get the ball into the box often enough and they came to regret it as Albion took a 30th minute lead. Wolves lost possession and Batson fed a through ball to

REGIS, who with the Wolves defence appealing for offside, sped through to beat Bradshaw with a low shot. Just before the break, Albion again wanted a penalty as Hollifield, they claimed, handled. No response from the referee, though. Just on half time, Regis headed goalwards, but Coy leapt up and flicked over his own bar with Bradshaw beaten. Hibbitt tried a low shot, but Albion cleared, and in the 56th minute Wolves levelled with a simple but well-worked goal. Hibbitt took a short throw on the left to Carr and he crossed to the far post where GRAY rose high to head home comfortably.

Five minutes later, Batson, clean through, clipped a shot past Bradshaw and against the crossbar. Regis played the rebound back into Batson and this time he scooped it over from only two yards. Berry left the field with a cut over one eye, but returned a few minutes later with his forehead swathed in bandages. The game flared in the 70th minute, when Gray clashed for a high ball with Zondervan who had to be stretchered off and replaced by Monaghan, but the Wolves striker looked aggrieved at Mr Thomas's decision to caution him.

Eves laid on a shooting chance for Gray but he blazed wide, then with less than five minutes to go, Wolves fate for the rest of the season was virtually sealed as Godden's long clearance eluded Berry and MONAGHAN beat Hollifield to toe-end the ball into the far corner of the net.

WOLVES: Bradshaw 7, Humphrey 7, Hollifield 7, Eves 6, Berry 5, Coy 7, Hibbitt 7, Carr 6, Gray 6, Matthews 6, Clarke 6. Sub: Atkinson (not used)

Brighton & Hove Albion 2 Wolves 0 Tuesday 4th May, 1982. Att: 10,429

After a lifeless first half showing which left them trailing by two goals, Wolves fought back into this game, but despite dominating the second period could make no impression on Brighton's lead and the outcome only confirmed the inevitability of the drop. McNab and Clarke both found their way into the referee's notebook after an early incident, but the free kick from 25 yards out went to Wolves, and Hibbitt drove inches over the top.

That was Wolves first half contribution and in the 19th minute the Seagulls took the lead. A poor headed clearance from Coy and a missed punch by Bradshaw put the defence in a mess and after Ring had missed the ball, ROBINSON made no mistake from 6 yards. Then Ring blazed a shot over and Ritchie also when well positioned. From a free kick, Gattling powered in a header, but Hibbitt cleared off the line. At the other end Hollifield shot after Eves' run and pass, Moseley fumbled, but as the ball ran goalwards, he scrambled back and pounced on it.

After 34 minutes, Brighton went two in front. An attack down the left gave Nelson the chance to try a shot from outside the area which beat Bradshaw and would probably gone past the post, but HOLLIFIELD tried to block it before it went out of play and watched in agony as it trickled away off his foot and into the net. Soon after, we almost gave away a penalty as Pender bundled over Case, but Wolves got away with a goal kick. In the second period, both Clarke and Matthews were close and Matthews again was unlucky to see Moseley touch a volley over the bar. Wolves rained in the shots, but with no success. Particularly memorable was Hibbitt's 25 yarder which the 'keeper smothered. Carr and Clarke were both off target as Wolves kept trying in the closing minutes but even the consolation of a single goal proved elusive.

WOLVES: Bradshaw 6, Humphrey 6, Hollifield 5, Eves 6, Pender 6, Coy 6, Hibbitt 7, Carr 6, Matthews 7, Richards 6, Clarke 7. Sub: Atkinson (replaced Hollifield after 77 mins)

Everton 1 Wolves 1 Saturday 8th May, 1982. Att: 20,124

Wolves were a little unfortunate to come away from Goodison Park without the win required to keep alive slim hopes of safety after a spirited performance which saw a post



hit and a second half 'goal' disallowed rather controversially. The visitors, without the suspended Andy Gray, took the lead after only 10 minutes to show that, if they were to go down, then it would be with a fight. Eves got way up the right, pulled the ball back to CLARKE on the edge of the box and he hammered home off 'keeper Southall's left-hand post.

Richards headed just wide, but after an opening 20 minutes of all Wolves where they may have scored again, Everton found an equaliser. McMahon's through ball left EASTOE in a lot of space to the left of goal and he controlled the ball well, before driving it calmly past Bradshaw. Clarke had a 25 yarder just wide and Richards was foiled by Southall. Just on the break, Everton had penalty appeals turned down when Coy seemed to handle and either side of hal time, Clarke was only just stopped by the 'keeper. Wolves in the 77th minute were desperately unlucky not to take the lead. Humphrey fed Eves and he crossed to Richards at the near post, who headed home only for a linesman's flag for offside to rule out the effort.

Bradshaw saved a Ross effort with his feet, but Wolves whilst pressing forward were almost caught as Irvine found himself completely in the clear only yards out. But, he missed it! An Everton goal then would certainly have been a travesty.

WOLVES: Bradshaw 7, Humphrey 7, Atkinson 6, Eves 6, Gallagher 6, Coy 6, Hibbitt 7, Carr 6  
Matthews 7, Richards 7, Clarke 7. Sub: Palmer (not used)

#### Wolves 2 West Ham United 1 Saturday 15th May, 1982. Att: 13,283

Wolves signed off from the 1st Division with a stylish and encouraging victory in this final game which saw an early goal rush - all three goals coming inside the first 14 minutes. With the game only 2 minutes old, Hibbitt played a through ball to EVES and he rounded a defender and slipped it coolly past the advancing Parkes and in the 6th minute, Wolves notched another. A threatening raid was halted when the Hammers scrambled the ball off the goal-line for a corner, but from the kick by Carr, RICHARDS glanced a lovely header inside the far post.

The early excitement continued as West Ham came forward and Goddard's shot rebounded off a post and along the line before being cleared to safety. Then the visitors pulled a goal back in the 14th minute when Carr's mis-directed header allowed Goddard to run clear down the Wolves left and he centred to the far post for the unmarked CROSS to head in. Then Pike set up Goddard but he blazed over and at the other end, Matthews headed too high and after had a shot saved by the 'keeper.

The game calmed now but Hibbitt and Eves were playing well for the Wanderers and were making the midfield buzz. Wolves should have had a 58th minute penalty when Eves intercepted a back pass, was brought down as he tried to round Parkes, but the referee looked straight at his linesman, only yards from the incident, but amazingly signalled a goal kick. A few worries late on were fended off by Wolves and the came through for a well earned win which at least left Molineux fans with some optimism to tide them over the summer months to the season ahead.

WOLVES: Bradshaw 7, Humphrey 6, Atkinson 7, Eves 8, Gallagher 7, Coy 6, Hibbitt 8, Carr 6,  
Matthews 6, Richards 7, Clarke 7. Sub: Palmer (not used)

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Our ace reporter once again was Stan Armett. Thanks, Stan.  
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#### SUMMARY OF AWARDED MARKS FOR SEASON 1981/82 (No of counting matches in brackets):

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|---------------|------|----------------|------|-----------------------------|------|
| Kernan (1)    | 7.00 | Coy (20)       | 6.65 | Eves (29)                   | 6.52 |
| Bradshaw (45) | 6.82 | Gallagher (31) | 6.65 | Villazan (10)               | 6.40 |
| Birch (16)    | 6.81 | Hibbitt (34)   | 6.62 | Matthews (33)               | 6.36 |
| Pender (8)    | 6.75 | Richards (35)  | 6.60 | Carr (20)                   | 6.30 |
| Clarke (29)   | 6.72 | Gray (30)      | 6.57 | Brazier (14)                | 6.29 |
| Berry (21)    | 6.67 | Humphrey (23)  | 6.52 | Palmer (37) / Atkinson (15) | 6.27 |

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.....Wolves reserves are all set to play their Central League games in midweek next season. Before leaving the board, Chairman Harry Marshall, said that this decision would allow the playing staff to be trimmed and would save almost £100,000 on wages over the season.

.....'London Wolves' thank the Express and Star Ltd., Wolverhampton for allowing us to publish their photographs in this issue and also both applaud and thank DL Instant Print of London for the printing of this edition. Oh, I almost forgot, Stephanie helped with the typing!

.....Kenny Hibbitt has left Molineux for Seattle Sounders in the States, but only until September, when he should return.

.....But, Willie Carr, has left the club for Millwall, as part of the Receiver's cutbacks. Seven years after joining from Coventry, the fee was only £10,000 compared to the £100,000 he cost on the day of the transfer deadline - 13th March, 1975. Only five months previously he would have gone for £230,000, had Wolves not pulled out due to a specialist's report of knee problems. These problems were overcome and Willie's debut on the following Saturday against Chelsea was indeed sensational. Not only did he score, but we won 7-1!

.....Last season, after being written off by most (except maybe supporter Jim Lakin) Ian Greaves stated that when fit, Willie Carr would always be in any team of his, and that he was - until the Receiver struck. Good luck from 'London Wolves', Willie.

.....For the record, League appearances totalled 231 (plus 6 as substitute), netting 21 goals; F.A.Cup appearances were 28 (1) with 4 goals; League Cup appearances were 21 and one goal; and UEFA Cup appearances were two, both against PSV Eindhoven.

.....Graham Hawkins has set up a system of fines which include the following:- Being sent off - fined a week's wages; Being booked - £70; Missing training - £50; Being late for training - £5 per minute. I understand there is also a fine for drinking alcohol on the day before a match.

.....Wolves friendly results for the pre-season just ended were as follows. Space doesn't allow me to put line-ups, etc, but if you didn't already know the Wolves 'keeper was none other than John 'Budgie' Burridge - on loan from Q.P.R.

Aug 5th, Wolves v Oxford U. (at Cosford) 1-0 (Eves) Private Fixture;  
Aug 7th, Hearts v Wolves - Postponed; Cradley Town v Wolves IX 2-2 (Eves, Clarke);  
Oops - Aug 5th, Aylesbury v Wolves Youth 2-1 (Devine, Marsh);  
Aug 11th, Willenhall v Wolves Youth 0-2;  
Aug 12th, Wolves v Coventry City (at Cosford) 2-2 (Gallagher, Clarke) Private Fixture;  
Aug 14th, Swindon Town v Wolves 1-3 (Eves) Att: 1158;  
Aug 17th, Wolves v Birmingham - Postponed;  
Aug 18th, Dundalk v Wolves 1-0 (Coy)  
Aug 21st, Wolves v Luton Town 3-4 (Horton (og), Gray, Eves) Att: 4206;  
Aug 23rd, Port Vale v Wolves - Postponed;

.....Wolves Secretary, Phil Shaw, has left the club. This is another move from Derek Dougan to sort the whole club out, from top to bottom.

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