

1940/41

South Regional League

The 70 clubs which participated in the Football League this season were divided into two regional sections, North and South, Watford being one of the 34 clubs which made up the South Regional League. The many difficulties arising from wartime conditions meant that the usual straightforward league pattern of every club playing all the others once at home and once away was impossible – so much so that Stoke City undertook the most fixtures in the South Regional League (36) whereas Coventry City and Swansea Town played the fewest with only 10 each. League positions were determined solely on the basis of goal average, as a result of which Crystal Palace were champions with a goal average of 1.954. Watford's 96 goals for and 73 against gave them average of 1.315 and eighth place out of 34 in the final table. They played 35 matches in this league, won 15 of them, drew 6, and lost 14.

Football League South

Even more confusion surrounded this competition. It started on 11 January 1941 and its results also counted in the South Regional League. The Football League South originally consisted of Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic, Brighton & Hove Albion, Portsmouth, Southampton, Southend United and Watford, but Luton Town and Norwich City were added later. As in the case of the South Regional League, the pattern of fixtures was hugely inconsistent, some pairs of clubs meeting three times and some none at all. The final calculations, the basis of which is not known (very possibly goal average) revealed Brighton & Hove Albion as winners of the extended league, but Watford, somewhat dubiously, chose to claim the championship by taking account of only the results of matches between the original six clubs. It was agreed to settle the dispute by playing a Challenge Match, which duly took place on 31 May 1941 and which the Sussex club won 4-1, thereby being confirmed as champions.

APPEARANCES AND (GOALS) IN ALL COMPETITIVE MATCHES

J.H.Armstrong 2 (-), J.Barker 1 (-), T.A.Barnett 39 (8), F.P.Boulton 5 (-), A.R.Brown 10 (4), J.Brown 2 (2), D.L.Cock 1 (-), E.C.Crawford 1 (-), J.A.Cringan 3 (-), B.E.Dabbs 1 (-), D.B.L.Davidson 12 (-), W.Davies 11 (7), C.J.Drinkwater 4 (1), A.J.Duncombe 5 (-), T.H.Dunsmore 2 (-), W.Findlay 2 (-), T.Galley 32 (5), P.H.Giddings 11 (-), H.Gray 1 (-), W.T.Harris 5 (-), G.H.Hunt 1 (-), E.N.Jones 5 (2), T.J.Jones 38 (6), W.E.Jones 7 (-), P.King 3 (-), D.J.Lewis 19 (-), H.H.Lewis 28 (20), T.G.Lewis 34 (27), H.P.Lowe 1 (-), G.Lunn 1 (-), A.McGivern 1 (-), J.McHugh 28 (-), H.S.Miller 16 (4), A.L.Pease 1 (2), -- Pickering 1 (-), A.R.Ramsbottom 1 (-), F.W.Reeve 1 (-), T.S.E.Robinson 8 (3), T.W.Robinson 1 (-), W.Saunders 9 (2), O.E.Tidman 1 (-), K.Walshaw 1 (1), T.C.Walters 1 (1), D.S.Waymouth 3 (-), R.F.Williams 39 (4), A.Woodward 38 (1), L.G.Young 3 (-)

Sat 17 Aug 1940	Watford 9	Royal Army Medical Corps 1	Friendly	Attendance: a few hundred	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; R.F.Williams, J.H.Armstrong & H.S.Miller; T.J.Jones [1 goal], T.A.Barnett [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [2 goals], A.J.Duncombe [4 goals] & W.Davies [1 goal]</i>					
Sat 24 Aug 1940	Watford 0	Royal Army Service Corps 0	(Match abandoned)	Friendly	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; R.F.Williams, J.H.Armstrong & H.S.Miller; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, A.J.Duncombe & W.Davies</i> <i>The match was interrupted by an air-raid warning after 7 minutes and abandoned after 30 minutes without having been restarted, when the Army team was recalled to duty.</i>					
Sat 31 Aug 1940	Watford 1	Portsmouth 2	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,015	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; R.F.Williams, J.H.Armstrong & H.S.Miller; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, A.J.Duncombe & W.Davies [1 goal]</i>					
Sat 14 Sep 1940	Watford 3	Aldershot 1	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,084	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, J.H.Armstrong & T.Galley; W.Saunders, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], R.F.Williams [1 goal] & W.Davies [1 goal]</i> <i>The match started at 3.30pm and finished three hours later, having been interrupted by an air-raid warning.</i>					
Sat 21 Sep 1940	Aldershot 2	Watford 1	South Regional League	Attendance: 3,000	
<i>H.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & H.S.Miller; W.Saunders, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], R.F.Williams & W.Davies</i> <i>For the first time in its history, the club fielded a half-back line of three Full internationals.</i>					
Sat 28 Sep 1940	Southampton 2	Watford 5	South Regional League	Attendance: 500	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & H.S.Miller; T.A.Barnett, H.Gray, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], R.F.Williams [1 goal] & W.Davies [3 goals, including 2 penalties]</i>					
Sat 5 Oct 1940	Millwall 3	Watford 0	South Regional League	Attendance: about 500	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & H.S.Miller; A.J.Duncombe, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, R.F.Williams & W.Davies</i>					
Sat 12 Oct 1940	Watford 1	Crystal Palace 2	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,665	
<i>J.McHugh (goal); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & H.S.Miller; W.Davies, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, R.F.Williams & A.J.Duncombe. There was 1 own goal.</i>					
Sat 19 Oct 1940	Watford 3	Southampton 2	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,551	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & H.S.Miller; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett [1 goal], T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis [2 goals] & R.F.Williams</i>					
Sat 26 Oct 1940	Northampton Town 2	Watford 1	South Regional League	Attendance: 3,500	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & H.S.Miller; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett [1 goal], T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis & R.F.Williams</i>					
Sat 2 Nov 1940	Southampton 0	Watford 4	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,000	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis [2 goals], H.H.Lewis & J.Brown [2 goals]</i>					
Sat 9 Nov 1940	-----				
<i>A South Regional League away game against Crystal Palace was due to take place, but an air-raid warning shortly before the kick-off time caused the match to be postponed.</i>					
Sat 16 Nov 1940	Watford 1	Millwall 1	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,178	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; H.S.Miller [1 goal], T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis & A.R.Brown</i>					
Sat 23 Nov 1940	Brighton & Hove Albion 1	Watford 1	South Regional League	Attendance: 750	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); B.E.Dabbs & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis & A.R.Brown [1 goal]</i>					
Sat 30 Nov 1940	Watford 3	Royal Artillery XI 2	Friendly	Attendance: 491	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & -- Pickering; P.H.Giddings, A.Woodward & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones [1 penalty goal], T.A.Barnett [2 goals], T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis & A.J.Duncombe</i>					
Sat 7 Dec 1940	Watford 4	Brighton & Hove Albion 0	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,160	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones [1 goal], T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], K.Walshaw [1 goal] & T.C.Walters [1 goal]</i>					
Sat 14 Dec 1940	Southend United 1	Watford 3	(At Chelmsford City)	South Regional League	Attendance: 700
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis [2 goals], H.H.Lewis & A.R.Brown [1 goal]</i>					
Sat 21 Dec 1940	Watford 4	Southampton 2	South Regional League	Attendance: 1,072	
<i>J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones [1 goal]; T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis [3 goals], A.J.Duncombe & A.R.Brown</i>					

Wed 25 Dec 1940 **Watford 2 Luton Town 2** South Regional League Attendance: 2,743
J.McHugh (gk); W.T.Harris & D.J.Lewis; P.H.Giddings, A.Woodward & P.King; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis **[2 goals, including a penalty]**, R.F.Williams & A.R.Brown
This match on Christmas morning was followed in the afternoon by

..... Wed 25 Dec 1940 **Luton Town 4 Watford 1** South Regional League Attendance: 1,689
J.McHugh (gk); W.T.Harris & D.J.Lewis; H.P.Lowe, P.H.Giddings & P.King; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis **[1 penalty goal]**; R.F.Williams & A.R.Brown
Ten of the Watford players turned out in both of these Christmas Day fixtures and Harry Lewis scored from the penalty spot in each game. He did so again three days later.

Sat 28 Dec 1940 **Watford 1 Southend United 1** South Regional League Attendance: 1,222
J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & -- Pickering; A.Woodward, H.S.Miller & P.King; T.A.Barnett, A.J.Duncombe, H.H.Lewis **[1 penalty goal]**, R.F.Williams & A.R.Brown

Sat 11 Jan 1941 **Watford 8 Southend United 2** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 855
J.McHugh (gk); T.G.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones **[1 goal]**, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis **[1 goal]**, T.S.E.Robinson **[3 goals]**; H.S.Miller **[1 goal]** & A.R.Brown **[2 goals]**

Sat 18 Jan 1941 **Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic 2 Watford 5** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 204
J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones **[2 goals]**, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.W.Robinson, H.H.Lewis **[3 goals]**, T.G.Lewis, H.S.Miller & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 25 Jan 1941 **Watford 7 Southampton 1** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 608
J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & R.F.Williams **[1 goal]**; E.N.Jones, T.J.Barnett **[2 goals]**, A.L.Pease **[2 goals]**, H.H.Lewis **[2 goals]** & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 1 Feb 1941 **Portsmouth 7 Watford 1** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 1,500
J.McHugh (gk); D.J.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; E.N.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.S.E.Robinson, H.H.Lewis & W.Davies **[1 goal]**

Sat 8 Feb 1941 **Watford 2 Brighton & Hove Albion 2** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 1,236
J.McHugh (gk); T.G.Lewis & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley **[1 penalty goal]** & R.F.Williams; E.N.Jones, T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis, H.S.Miller **[1 goal]** & J.Brown

Sat 15 Feb 1941 **Watford 4 Fulham 1** League Cup, 1st Round, 1st leg Attendance: 3,637
J.McHugh (gk); W.T.Harris & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; E.N.Jones **[1 goal]**, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis **[1 goal]** & C.J.Drinkwater **[1 goal]**. There was also **1 own goal**.

Sat 22 Feb 1941 **Fulham 2 Watford 1** League Cup, 1st Round, 2nd leg Attendance: 2,500
J.McHugh (gk); W.T.Harris & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis **[1 goal]**, T.G.Lewis, H.S.Miller & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 1 Mar 1941 **Watford 0 Arsenal 4** League Cup, 2nd Round, 1st leg Attendance: 10,884
J.McHugh (gk); T.G.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis, T.S.E.Robinson & A.R.Brown

Sat 8 Mar 1941 **Arsenal 5 Watford 0** (At Tottenham Hotspur) League Cup, 2nd Round, 2nd leg Attendance: 4,427
W.E.Jones (gk); T.G.Lewis & A.Woodward; P.H.Giddings, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.S.E.Robinson, H.H.Lewis & A.R.Brown

Sat 15 Mar 1941 **Southend United 2 Watford 3** (At Chelmsford City) South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 750
F.P.Boulton (gk); T.G.Lewis **[1 goal]** & D.S.Waymouth; D.B.L.Davidson, T.Galley **[1 goal]** & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.S.W.Robinson, H.S.Miller & E.N.Jones **[1 goal]**

Sat 22 Mar 1941 **Watford 2 Southampton 0** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 1,410
J.McHugh (gk); D.S.Waymouth & D.B.L.Davidson; T.Galley, A.Woodward & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett **[2 goals]**, T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis & L.G.Young

Sat 29 Mar 1941 **Watford 5 Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic 0** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 1,200
J.McHugh (gk); G.Lunn & D.B.L.Davidson; T.Galley **[1 penalty goal]**, A.Woodward & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones **[1 goal]**, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis **[2 goals]**, H.H.Lewis **[1 goal]** & L.G.Young

Sat 5 Apr 1941 **Watford 2 Luton Town 6** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 2,561
J.McHugh (gk); D.S.Waymouth & D.B.L.Davidson; T.S.E.Robinson, A.Woodward & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett **[1 goal]**, T.G.Lewis **[1 goal]**, H.H.Lewis & D.L.Cock

Sat 12 Apr 1941 **Watford 7 Norwich City 1** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 1,800
F.P.Boulton (gk); A.Woodward & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, T.Galley **[1 goal]** & R.F.Williams; W.Saunders **[1 goal]**, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis **[4 goals]**, H.S.Miller **[1 goal]** & W.Findlay

Mon 14 Apr 1941 **West Ham United 2 Watford 0** South Regional League
W.E.Jones (gk); W.T.Harris & D.B.L.Davidson; A.Woodward, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; W.Saunders, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, H.S.Miller & T.J.Jones

Sat 19 Apr 1941 **Norwich City 5 Watford 4** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 1,289
F.P.Boulton (gk); T.S.E.Robinson & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, A.Woodward **[1 goal]** & R.F.Williams; W.Saunders, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis **[3 goals]**, H.H.Lewis & A.R.Ramsbottom
Norwich were 5-0 ahead after 36 minutes.

Sat 26 Apr 1941 **Watford 6 Portsmouth 0** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 2,005
F.P.Boulton (gk); A.Woodward & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, T.Galley **[1 penalty goal]** & R.F.Williams; W.Saunders **[1 goal]**, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis **[4 goals]**, H.H.Lewis & W.Davies

Sat 3 May 1941 **Brighton & Hove Albion 4 Watford 2** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 2,500
W.E.Jones (gk); A.Woodward & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; A.McGivern, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis **[1 goal]**, H.H.Lewis **[1 goal]** & O.E.Tidman

Sat 10 May 1941 **Watford 0 Luton Town 1** South Regional League & Football League South Attendance: 1,728
W.E.Jones (gk); J.Barker & A.Woodward; W.Findlay, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; W.Saunders, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis & L.G.Young

Sat 17 May 1941 **Queens Park Rangers 4 Watford 2** South Regional League Attendance: 1,900
W.E.Jones (gk); T.S.E.Robinson & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, A.Woodward & J.A.Crangan; W.Saunders, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, H.H.Lewis **[1 goal]** & W.Davies **[1 penalty goal]**

Wed 21 May 1941 **Wealdstone 4 Watford 2** Friendly in aid of World Weapons Week
Full line-up unknown, but included Boden of Pinner in goal, T.A.Barnett **[1 goal]**, W.G.Devan, T.J.Jones **[1 goal]** & A.Woodward
A collection during the interval raised £6 11s 7d for World Weapons Week.

Sat 24 May 1941 **Watford 3 Queens Park Rangers 3** South Regional League Attendance: 1,674
W.E.Jones (gk); T.H.Dunsmore & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, A.Woodward & R.F.Williams; W.Saunders, T.A.Barnett **[1 goal]**, T.G.Lewis **[2 goals]**, H.H.Lewis & W.Davies

Sat 31 May 1941 **Brighton & Hove Albion 4 Watford 1** Football League South Challenge Match Attendance: 2,500
W.E.Jones (gk); A.Woodward & T.H.Dunsmore; T.Galley, J.A.Crangan & F.W.Reeve; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis **[1 goal]**, R.F.Williams & W.Davies

Mon 2 Jun 1941 **Shorts Sports, Strood 6 Watford 3** Friendly Attendance: about 2,000
F.P.Boulton (gk); T.J.Jones & F.W.Reeve; T.Galley, J.A.Crangan & H.A.Bryant; W.Findlay, T.A.Barnett, C.J.Walker **[3 goals]**, R.F.Williams & L.G.Young

Sat 7 Jun 1941 **Aldershot 3 Watford 1** South Regional League Attendance: 1,884
F.P.Boulton (gk); A.Woodward & D.B.L.Davidson; G.H.Hunt, T.Galley & J.A.Crangan; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis, E.C.Crawford & R.F.Williams **[1 goal]**

1941/42

Sixteen clubs in the London area, including Watford, withdrew from the Football League and arranged their own competitions for 1941/42. They rejoined the Football League the following season.

LONDON WAR CUP, GROUP 3

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Charlton Athletic	6	4	1	1	17	6	9
Tottenham Hotspur	6	3	1	2	9	11	7
WATFORD	6	2	1	3	10	12	5
Reading	6	1	1	4	9	16	3

The club finishing at the top of each of four groups progressed to the semi-finals.

LONDON LEAGUE

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Arsenal	30	23	2	5	108	43	48
Portsmouth	30	20	2	8	105	59	42
West Ham United	30	17	5	8	81	44	39
Aldershot	30	17	5	8	85	56	39
Tottenham Hotspur	30	15	8	7	61	41	38
Crystal Palace	30	14	6	10	70	53	34
Reading	30	13	8	9	76	58	34
Charlton Athletic	30	14	5	11	72	64	33
Brentford	30	14	2	14	80	76	30
Queens Park Rangers	30	11	3	16	52	59	25
Fulham	30	10	4	16	79	99	24
Brighton & Hove Albion	30	9	4	17	71	108	22
Chelsea	30	8	4	18	56	88	20
Millwall	30	7	5	18	53	82	19
Clapton Orient	30	5	7	18	42	94	17
WATFORD	30	6	4	20	47	114	16

TOTAL APPEARANCES AND (GOALS)

(A club-record 83 players were used, 36 appearing only once. These figures were to be exactly the same in 1942/43, when there two fewer matches – 34 as opposed to 36.)

R.J.Armstrong 1 (-), C.W.Bacon 1 (-), T.A.Barnett 9 (1), J.W.Barrs 1 (-), W.Basford 1 (-), H.W.Bearryman 1 (-), A.G.Biggs 3 (2), A.E.Bonass 2 (-), F.P.Boulton 12 (-), F.Briggs 8 (1), F.H.Broome 1 (1), Sergeant Brown 1 (-), J.Brown 9 (2), B.Burley 1 (-), -- Cockburn 1 (-), G.A.Cooke 1 (-), A.D.Cowie 4 (-), J.A.Crangan 15 (1), -- Croom 1 (-), D.B.L.Davidson 6 (-), W.Davies 2 (-), -- Davison 5 (-), Lieutenant Delaney 1 (-), C.Dougall 4 (1), C.J.Drinkwater 7 (-), J.H.Dugnonne 7 (-), -- Durman 1 (-), G.D.Egan 3 (1), D.R.Evans 3 (-), W.Findlay 2 (-), P.J.Fitzsimmons 4 (-), T.Galley 8 (2), C.F.Gregory 1 (-), J.E.Griffiths 4 (1), D.Halford 4 (1), A.E.B.Hall 1 (-), -- Hamilton 1 (-), W.T.Harris 20 (-), G.H.Henson 1 (-), A.W.Hitchins 1 (-), H.H.F.Hobbs 1 (-), -- Holliday 1 (-), S.Hughes 2 (-), H.Hutton 3 (3), A.Jepson 11 (-), J.Jobling 15 (-), -- Jones 1 (-), E.N.Jones 15 (3), T.J.Jones 35 (4), W.E.Jones 4 (-), M.J.Killourhy 17 (7), F.J.Kurz 11 (6), E.C.Lancelotte 1 (1), W.H.C.Lane 1 (-), -- Learmouth 2 (-), D.J.Lewis 2 (-), H.H.Lewis 7 (1), T.G.Lewis 4 (3), A.McIntosh 7 (-), N.Mansell 1 (-), H.S.Miller 1 (-), T.Morris 14 (3), T.S.Reece 1 (-), T.S.E.Robinson 2 (1), T.W.Robinson 18 (-), A.T.Salltall 1 (-), A.M.Sliman 1 (-), G.H.Smith 1 (-), J.Sykes 1 (-), -- Wainwright 1 (-), -- Walker 1 (-), H.Waller 2 (1), T.C.Walters 4 (-), -- Ward 1 (-), N.Watson Smith 3 (-), E.Weightman 3 (-), D.Westcott 3 (8), W.P.Whittaker 1 (-), R.F.Williams 20 (-), -- Wilson 1 (-), C.J.Wipfler 2 (1), J.T.Woodgate 1 (-), A.Woodward 13 (-)

Sat 30 Aug 1941 **Tottenham Hotspur 5 Watford 0** London League Attendance: 5,074

W.E.Jones (gk); W.T.Harris & D.B.L.Davidson; P.J.Fitzsimmons, T.Galley & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, -- Learmouth, A.McIntosh & R.F.Williams

Sat 6 Sep 1941 **Watford 1 Portsmouth 5** London League Attendance: 4,000

W.E.Jones (gk); W.T.Harris & D.B.L.Davidson; P.J.Fitzsimmons, A.Woodward & J.A.Crangan; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, T.Galley [1 goal], A.McIntosh & A.T.Saltall

Sat 13 Sep 1941 **Watford 1 Chelsea 3** London League Attendance: 4,473

F.P.Boulton (gk); A.Woodward & D.B.L.Davidson; P.J.Fitzsimmons, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.A.Barnett, A.G.Biggs [1 goal], A.McIntosh & A.E.Bonass

Sat 20 Sep 1941 **Charlton Athletic 5 Watford 1** London League Attendance: 3,660

F.P.Boulton (gk); W.T.Harris & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, J.A.Crangan & R.F.Williams; T.A.Barnett, H.H.Lewis, A.G.Biggs [1 goal], A.McIntosh & A.E.Bonass

Sat 27 Sep 1941 **Watford 0 West Ham United 8** London League Attendance: 3,991

F.P.Boulton (gk); T.J.Jones & D.J.Lewis; A.Woodward, T.Galley & R.F.Williams; T.A.Barnett, T.S.E.Robinson, A.G.Biggs, H.H.Lewis & C.J.Drinkwater
His appearance at right-half meant that Woodward had played in five different positions in the first five games of the season.

Sat 4 Oct 1941 **Watford 2 Clapton Orient 2** London League Attendance: 1,516

F.P.Boulton (gk); W.T.Harris & -- Wainwright; F.Briggs, T.Galley [1 goal] & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, H.H.Lewis, H.Waller [1 goal], A.McIntosh & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 11 Oct 1941 **Aldershot 8 Watford 1** London League Attendance: 3,000

F.P.Boulton (gk); D.J.Lewis & -- Jones; F.Briggs [1 goal], P.J.Fitzsimmons & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, H.H.Lewis, H.Waller, A.McIntosh & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 18 Oct 1941 **Millwall 4 Watford 2** London League Attendance: 2,500

F.P.Boulton (gk); W.T.Harris & D.B.L.Davidson; F.Briggs, S.Hughes & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.Morris, D.Westcott [2 goals]; A.McIntosh & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 25 Oct 1941 **Watford 3 Arsenal 1** London League Attendance: 5,328

F.P.Boulton (gk); W.T.Harris & R.F.Williams; F.Briggs, S.Hughes & J.A.Crangan; T.J.Jones [1 goal], T.Morris [1 goal], T.C.Walters, M.J.Killourhy [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 1 Nov 1941 **Queens Park Rangers 1 Watford 5** London League Attendance: 3,000

F.P.Boulton (gk); W.T.Harris & R.F.Williams; F.Briggs, A.Woodward & J.A.Crangan; T.J.Jones, T.Morris, D.Westcott [5 goals]; M.J.Killourhy & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 8 Nov 1941 **Watford 0 Reading 0** London League Attendance: 4,000

F.P.Boulton (gk); T.J.Jones & R.F.Williams; F.Briggs, A.Woodward & J.A.Crangan; W.Davies, T.Morris, M.J.Killourhy, H.H.Lewis & C.J.Drinkwater

Saturday 15 Nov 1941 **Brighton & Hove Albion 2 Watford 2** London League Attendance: 4,000

F.P.Boulton (gk); T.J.Jones & W.Basford; F.Briggs, A.Woodward & J.A.Crangan; F.H.Broome [1 goal]; T.Morris, T.S.E.Robinson [1 goal], M.J.Killourhy & D.R.Evans

Sat 22 Nov 1941 **Watford 1 Brentford 6** London League Attendance: 3,969

F.P.Boulton (gk); T.J.Jones & T.G.Lewis; F.Briggs, A.Woodward & J.A.Crangan; T.Morris, R.J.Armstrong, -- Learmouth, M.J.Killourhy [1 goal] & B.Burley

Sat 29 Nov 1941 **Crystal Palace 6 Watford 1** London League Attendance: 4,800

W.E.Jones (gk); T.J.Jones & A.Woodward; T.S.Reece, T.W.Robinson & J.A.Crangan; H.H.Lewis, T.A.Barnett, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], M.J.Killourhy & W.Findlay

Sat 6 Dec 1941 **Watford 3 Fulham 5** London League Attendance: 1,715

F.P.Boulton (gk); T.J.Jones & A.Woodward; A.D.Cowie, T.W.Robinson & J.A.Crangan [1 goal]; H.H.Lewis [1 goal], T.A.Barnett [1 goal], T.C.Walters, T.Morris & -- Ward

Sat 13 Dec 1941 **Watford 1 Tottenham Hotspur 2** London League Attendance: 3,035

A.Jepson (gk); W.T.Harris & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & J.A.Crangan; -- Croom, T.A.Barnett, Lieutenant Delaney, G.D.Egan [1 goal] & C.J.Wipfler

Sat 20 Dec 1941 **Portsmouth 7 Watford 1** London League Attendance: 4,500

W.E.Jones (gk); J.Sykes & A.Woodward; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & J.A.Crangan; N.Mansell, T.A.Barnett, R.F.Williams, J.E.Griffiths [1 penalty goal] & J.Brown

Thu 25 Dec 1941 **Chelsea 2 Watford 2** London League Attendance: 4,132

-- Davison (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & H.W.Bearryman; E.N.Jones, T.Morris [1 goal], G.D.Egan, J.E.Griffiths & J.Brown [1 goal]

Sat 27 Dec 1941 **Watford 1 Charlton Athletic 2** London League Attendance: 2,789

-- Davison (gk); T.J.Jones & J.Jobling; E.Weightman, T.W.Robinson & R.F.Williams; E.N.Jones, T.Morris [1 goal], G.D.Egan, J.E.Griffiths & W.Findlay

Sat 3 Jan 1942 **West Ham United 4 Watford 1** London League Attendance: 3,000

-- Davison (gk); A.D.Cowie & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, R.F.Williams & E.Weightman; E.N.Jones [1 goal], T.Morris, J.E.Griffiths, W.Davies & J.Brown

Sat 10 Jan 1942 **Clapton Orient 2 Watford 3** London League Attendance: 1,450
-- Davison (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; A.D.Cowie, T.W.Robinson & E.Weightman; E.N.Jones, T.J.Jones, G.H.Henson, T.Galley & D.Halford

Sat 31 Jan 1942 **Arsenal 11 Watford 0** (At Tottenham Hotspur) London League Attendance: 4,701
-- Davison (gk); J.Jobling & R.F.Williams; A.D.Cowie, A.M.Sliman & J.A.Crangan; J.T.Woodgate, T.J.Jones, -- Walker; A.E.B.Hall & J.Brown

Sat 14 Feb 1942 **Reading 5 Watford 1** London League Attendance: 3,500
A.Jepson (gk); T.W.Robinson & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, T.Galley & J.A.Crangan; -- Wilson, T.Morris, Lieutenant H.Hutton, M.J.Killourhy **[1 goal]** & E.N.Jones

Sat 21 Feb 1942 **Watford 7 Brighton & Hove Albion 1** London League Attendance: 783
A.Jepson (gk); J.Jobling & R.F.Williams; G.H.Smith, T.W.Robinson & J.A.Crangan; T.J.Jones **[2 goals]**, F.J.Kurz **[1 goal]**, T.G.Lewis **[1 goal]**, M.J.Killourhy **[2 goals]** & E.N.Jones **[1 goal]**
Fred Kurz of Grimsby Town, who was stationed at Woolwich Arsenal, actually played in this match as "Newman", his name being withheld until a week later. It had been stated that "for special reasons" his true identity could not be revealed. Absent Without Leave was almost certainly the sole "special reason". The visitors' outside-left was Les Simmons, much later to become the Vicarage Road groundsman, who made up the numbers when Brighton turned up a man short.

Sat 28 Feb 1942 **Brentford 5 Watford 3** London League Attendance: 3,110
A.Jepson (gk); C.F.Gregory & W.T.Harris; T.J.Jones, W.H.C.Lane & J.A.Crangan; T.Morris, E.C.Lancelotte **[1 goal]**, Lieutenant H.Hutton **[2 goals]**, M.J.Killourhy & J.W.Barrs

Sat 7 Mar 1942 **Watford 2 Crystal Palace 1** London League Attendance: 1,030
A.Jepson (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; D.R.Evans, T.W.Robinson & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.Morris, T.G.Lewis **[1 goal]**, M.J.Killourhy & D.Halford **[1 goal]**

Sat 14 Mar 1942 **Fulham 1 Watford 3** London League Attendance: 2,463
A.Jepson (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones **[1 goal]**, T.W.Robinson & J.H.Dugnonle; E.N.Jones, F.J.Kurz, Lieutenant H.Hutton **[1 goal]**, T.Morris & C.J.Wipfler **[1 goal]**

Sat 21 Mar 1942 **Watford 1 Charlton Athletic 4** London Cup – Group 3 Attendance: 2,592
A.Jepson (gk); W.T.Harris & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & J.H.Dugnonle; E.N.Jones, H.S.Miller, F.J.Kurz **[1 goal]**, M.J.Killourhy & D.Halford
Watford were a man short and two goals down before Miller arrived to complete the team.

Sat 28 Mar 1942 **Tottenham Hotspur 5 Watford 2** London Cup – Group 3 Attendance: 4,627
A.Jepson (gk); W.T.Harris & D.R.Evans; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & T.Galley; E.N.Jones, F.J.Kurz, D.Westcott **[1 goal]**, M.J.Killourhy **[1 goal]** & D.Halford

Sat 4 Apr 1942 **Charlton Athletic 0 Watford 1** London Cup – Group 3 Attendance: 3,152
A.Jepson (gk); W.T.Harris & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & J.H.Dugnonle; E.N.Jones, C.Dougall **[1 goal]**, F.J.Kurz, M.J.Killourhy & J.Brown

Mon 6 Apr 1942 **Watford 0 Tottenham Hotspur 0** London Cup – Group 3 Attendance: 4,541
Lieutenant N.Watson Smith (gk); J.Jobling & D.B.L.Davidson; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & R.F.Williams; E.N.Jones, C.Dougall, F.J.Kurz, M.J.Killourhy & J.Brown

Sat 11 Apr 1942 **Watford 6 Reading 0** London Cup – Group 3 Attendance: 2,187
A.Jepson (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & J.H.Dugnonle; E.N.Jones, C.Dougall, F.J.Kurz **[4 goals]**, M.J.Killourhy **[1 goal]** & J.Brown **[1 goal]**

Sat 18 Apr 1942 **Reading 3 Watford 0** London Cup – Group 3 Attendance: 3,000
Sergeant Brown (gk); R.F.Williams & W.T.Harris; T.J.Jones, J.Jobling & J.H.Dugnonle; J.Brown, C.Dougall, F.J.Kurz, -- Cockburn & -- Durman

Sat 25 Apr 1942 **Watford 1 Aldershot 5** London League Attendance: 2,087
Lieutenant N.Watson Smith (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; J.H.Dugnonle, T.W.Robinson & -- Hamilton; E.N.Jones, F.J.Kurz, T.C.Walters, M.J.Killourhy & C.W.Bacon
There was **1 own goal**.

Sat 2 May 1942 **Watford 0 Queens Park Rangers 5** London League Attendance: 1,721
Lieutenant N.Watson Smith (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, T.W.Robinson & -- Holliday; E.N.Jones, F.J.Kurz, T.C.Walters, M.J.Killourhy & J.Brown

Sat 9 May 1942 **Watford 1 Millwall 0** London League Attendance: 1,686
A.Jepson (gk); G.A.Cooke & J.Jobling; W.P.Whittaker, A.W.Hitchins & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, J.H.Dugnonle, F.J.Kurz, H.H.F.Hobbis & E.N.Jones **[1 penalty goal]**

1942/43

FOOTBALL LEAGUE (SOUTH)

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Arsenal	28	21	1	6	102	40	43
Tottenham Hotspur	28	16	6	6	68	28	38
Queens Park Rangers	28	18	2	8	64	49	38
Portsmouth	28	16	3	9	66	52	35
Southampton	28	14	5	9	86	58	33
West Ham United	28	14	5	9	80	66	33
Chelsea	28	14	4	10	52	45	32
Aldershot	28	14	2	12	87	77	30
Brentford	28	12	5	11	64	63	29
Charlton Athletic	28	13	3	12	68	75	29
Clapton Orient	28	11	5	12	54	72	27
Brighton & Hove Albion	28	10	5	13	65	73	25
Reading	28	9	6	13	67	74	24
Fulham	28	10	2	16	69	78	22
Crystal Palace	28	7	5	16	49	75	19
Millwall	28	6	5	17	66	88	17
WATFORD	28	7	2	19	51	88	16
Luton Town	28	4	6	18	43	100	14

LEAGUE CUP (SOUTH), GROUP 1

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Arsenal	6	5	1	0	21	5	11
West Ham United	6	3	1	2	19	9	7
WATFORD	6	1	3	2	9	12	5
Brighton & Hove Albion	6	0	1	5	4	27	1

The club finishing at the top of each of four groups progressed to the semi-finals.

APPEARANCES AND (GOALS) IN ALL COMPETITIVE MATCHES

(A club-record 83 players were used, 36 appearing only once. These figures had been exactly the same in 1941/42, when there two more matches – 36 as opposed to 34.)

A.V.Aicken 2 (-), J.W.Barrett 1 (-), W.H.Bates 1 (-), -- Bristow 1 (-), C.Broadhurst 3 (1), L.Brook 1 (-), G.Brown 1 (-), H.S.Brown 12 (-), James Brown 1 (-), Joseph Brown 6 (-), W.H.Brown 22 (1), F.C.Butterworth 1 (-), J.W.Davies 1 (-), W.Davies 1 (-), C.Dougall 2 (-), G.Dreyer 3 (-), C.J.Drinkwater 1 (-), A.Driver 4 (1), R.Edwards 1 (-), E.Embleton 3 (-), A.Farmer 1 (-), R.P.Farrant 1 (-), H.Ferrier 2 (-), W.Findlay 1 (-), R.Gray 10 (-), J.Harvey 1 (-), J.Haver 3 (-), W.Haysman 2 (-), B.J.Head 9 (-), J.G.Hogg 2 (-), J.S.Horwood 5 (-), J.Hughes 1 (1), H.Jackson 10 (6), A.Jepson 2 (-), J.Jobling 7 (-), T.H.A.Jobson 1 (-), E.N.Jones 25 (11), F.R.Jones 8 (2), G.Jones 1 (-), Glynn Jones 1 (-), H.J.Jones 1 (-), T.J.Jones 30 (4), F.J.Kurz 6 (2), W.Lane 2 (1), T.G.Lewis 3 (5), B.C.Loom 3 (4), H.P.Lowe 2 (-), R.March 1 (-), D.K.Martin 11 (7), W.S.Mason 11 (-), G.T.Matthewson 1 (-), R.C.Maudsley 1 (-), P.M.McLachlan 1 (-), J.Milburn 5 (-), W.R.Miller 4 (-), P.Molloy 1 (-), J.H.Morris 17 (6), R.Morris 2 (-), G.Moss 1 (-), L.A.Perkins 1 (-), R.Pugh 2 (-), H.J.Quinney 1 (-), H.F.J.Rickett 12 (-), F.Roberts 3 (-), T.W.Robinson 6 (1), K.Saunders 2 (-), J.Shaw 18 (-), C.J.Smith 1 (-), G.Smith 1 (1), J.C.R.Smith 1 (-), Private Thompson 1 (-), A.Thompson 2 (-), H.Ware 8 (2), N.Watson Smith 2 (-), A.Weir 3 (1), D.Westcott 1 (1), A.S.White 5 (1), W.Whitfield 1 (-), R.F.Williams 23 (-), D.T.Winter 9 (-), C.J.Wipfler 4 (-), A.Woodcock 1 (-), A.E.Young 1 (-)

Sat 29 Aug 1942 **Watford 3 Millwall 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,884
Private Thompson (gk); K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, R.Gray & H.J.Quinney; J.H.Morris, C.Dougall, T.G.Lewis [2 goals], H.J.Jones & E.N.Jones [1 penalty goal]

Sat 5 Sep 1942 **Reading 3 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,293
G.Brown (gk); J.G.Hogg & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, R.Gray & R.F.Williams; J.H.Morris, A.Driver, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], F.R.Jones & E.N.Jones [1 goal]

Sat 12 Sep 1942 **Southampton 4 Watford 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,000
Lieutenant N.Watson Smith (gk); D.T.Winter & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, R.Gray & R.F.Williams; J.H.Morris [1 goal], A.Driver, C.J.Smith, F.R.Jones & C.J.Wipfler

Sat 19 Sep 1942 **Watford 1 Brighton & Hove Albion 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,104
Lieutenant N.Watson Smith (gk); J.G.Hogg & D.T.Winter; T.J.Jones, R.Gray & R.F.Williams; J.H.Morris, A.Driver [1 goal]; F.J.Kurz, F.R.Jones & E.N.Jones

Sat 26 Sep 1942 **Aldershot 4 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,000
W.S.Mason (gk); D.T.Winter & J.Jobling; H.P.Lowe, R.Gray & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, A.Driver, J.H.Morris, C.Dougall & E.N.Jones

Sat 3 Oct 1942 **Brentford 3 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,950
W.S.Mason (gk); B.J.Head & J.Jobling; W.H.Brown, A.Farmer & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, H.P.Lowe, J.H.Morris, F.R.Jones & C.J.Drinkwater
Mason's bus broke down in Hammersmith and until he arrived Morris kept goal for 25 minutes, during which he conceded the first goal.

Sat 10 Oct 1942 **Charlton Athletic 7 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,400
W.S.Mason (gk); B.J.Head & J.Jobling; W.H.Brown, K.Saunders & R.Marsh; R.Pugh, T.J.Jones, W.Haysman, L.A.Perkins & F.R.Jones

Sat 17 Oct 1942 **Watford 2 Clapton Orient 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,545
W.S.Mason (gk); B.J.Head & D.T.Winter; T.J.Jones, T.H.A.Jobson & R.F.Williams; R.Pugh, W.Davies, J.H.Morris [2 goals], R.Gray & E.N.Jones

Sat 24 Oct 1942 **West Ham United 3 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,940
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); B.J.Head & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, R.Gray & R.F.Williams; J.H.Morris, A.Woodcock, L.Brook, W.Whitfield & E.N.Jones

Sat 31 Oct 1942 **Watford 4 Portsmouth 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,971
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); B.J.Head & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, W.H.Brown & R.F.Williams; A.S.White [1 goal], W.R.Miller, C.Broadhurst [1 goal], E.Embleton & E.N.Jones [1 goal]
There was also 1 own goal.

Sat 7 Nov 1942 **Watford 5 Crystal Palace 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,975
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); B.J.Head & D.T.Winter; W.H.Brown, J.Shaw & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones [1 goal], W.R.Miller, T.W.Robinson [1 goal], F.R.Jones [2 goals] & E.N.Jones [1 penalty goal]

Sat 14 Nov 1942 **Fulham 2 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,005
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); B.J.Head & T.J.Jones; W.H.Brown, T.W.Robinson & J.Shaw; A.S.White, W.R.Miller, C.Broadhurst, E.Embleton & E.N.Jones

Sat 21 Nov 1942 **Tottenham Hotspur 6 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 5,459
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); B.J.Head & R.F.Williams; W.H.Brown, J.Shaw & T.J.Jones; J.H.Morris, W.R.Miller, C.Broadhurst, E.Embleton & E.N.Jones

Sat 28 Nov 1942 **Millwall 3 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,873
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); B.J.Head & D.T.Winter; W.H.Brown, R.F.Williams & J.Harvey; -- Bristow, T.J.Jones, Flight Sergeant B.C.Loom [3 goals], F.J.Kurz & E.N.Jones

Sat 5 Dec 1942 **Watford 2 Reading 5** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,790
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); T.J.Jones & D.T.Winter; W.H.Brown, J.Shaw & J.W.Davies; A.S.White, F.J.Kurz [2 goals], Flight Sergeant B.C.Loom, G.Jones & E.N.Jones

Sat 12 Dec 1942 **Watford 3 Southampton 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,762
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); R.F.Williams & D.T.Winter; W.H.Brown, J.Haver & A.V.Aicken; E.N.Jones [1 goal], F.J.Kurz, H.Ware [2 goals], F.R.Jones & J.C.R.Smith

Sat 19 Dec 1942 **Brighton & Hove Albion 2 Watford 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,000
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); A.V.Aicken & J.Haver; W.H.Brown, T.W.Robinson & J.Shaw; E.N.Jones, F.R.Jones, Flight Sergeant B.C.Loom [1 goal], ?A.N.Other?, W.Findlay
J.C.R.Smith was due to play at inside-left, but cried off. The identity of his replacement is not known.

Fri 25 Dec 1942 **Luton Town 0 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,500
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); H.Ware & R.F.Williams; W.H.Brown, T.W.Robinson & J.Shaw; W.H.Bates, J.H.Morris [1 goal], W.Lane, E.N.Jones [1 goal] & Joseph Brown

Sat 26 Dec 1942 **Watford 1 Luton Town 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,547
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); H.Ware & R.F.Williams; W.H.Brown, R.Gray & J.Shaw; J.H.Morris, R.Edwards, W.Lane [1 goal], E.N.Jones & Joseph Brown

Sat 2 Jan 1943 **Watford 5 Aldershot 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,622
H.F.J.Rickett (gk); J.Milburn & D.T.Winter; W.H.Brown, H.Ware & H.S.Brown; A.Weir [1 goal], T.J.Jones [1 goal], D.K.Martin [2 goals], H.Jackson [1 goal] & Joseph Brown
The goal credited here to Jones is attributed in one other source to Weir and in another to Jackson. Aldershot's goalkeeper was injured after 10 minutes and replaced for the rest of the match by an outfield player.

Sat 9 Jan 1943 **Watford 2 Brentford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,177
J.S.Horwood (gk); J.Milburn & H.Ferrier; J.Shaw, R.F.Williams & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones [1 goal], W.H.Brown, D.K.Martin, H.Jackson [1 goal] & J.H.Morris

Sat 16 Jan 1943 **Watford 3 Charlton Athletic 5** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,564
J.S.Horwood (gk); J.Milburn & A.Thompson; T.J.Jones, R.F.Williams & H.S.Brown; J.H.Morris [1 goal], F.J.Kurz, D.K.Martin, H.Jackson & E.N.Jones [2 goals]

Sat 23 Jan 1943 **Clapton Orient 4 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,812
J.S.Horwood (gk); J.Milburn & A.Thompson; T.J.Jones, R.Gray & H.S.Brown; G.Smith, D.K.Martin [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [2 goals], A.Weir & Joseph Brown

Sat 30 Jan 1943 **Watford 3 West Ham United 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,274
J.S.Horwood (gk); J.Milburn & H.Ware; J.Shaw, J.W.Barrett & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones, W.H.Brown, H.Jackson [1 goal], D.K.Martin [2 goals] & Joseph Brown

Sat 6 Feb 1943 **Portsmouth 6 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 5,000
J.S.Horwood (gk); A.E.Young & R.F.Williams; W.H.Brown, T.W.Robinson & J.Shaw; J.H.Morris, T.J.Jones [1 goal], D.K.Martin [1 goal], E.N.Jones & Joseph Brown

Sat 13 Feb 1943 **Crystal Palace 0 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,750
A.Jepson (gk); J.Shaw & H.S.Brown; W.H.Brown, G.T.Matthewson & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, A.Weir, D.K.Martin [1 goal], H.Jackson & E.N.Jones [1 goal]

Sat 20 Feb 1943 **Watford 1 Fulham 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,280
A.Jepson (gk); H.Ware & J.Haver; J.Shaw, T.W.Robinson & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones, W.H.Brown [1 goal]; D.K.Martin, J.H.Morris & E.N.Jones

Sat 27 Feb 1943 **Watford 0 Tottenham Hotspur 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,096
W.S.Mason (gk); Glynn Jones & James Brown; J.Shaw, H.Ware & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones, R.F.Williams, D.K.Martin, H.Jackson & E.N.Jones

Sat 6 Mar 1943 **West Ham United 6 Watford 1** League Cup (South), Group 1 Attendance: 2,000
W.S.Mason (gk); H.Ware & H.S.Brown; W.H.Brown, F.C.Butterworth & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones, R.P.Farrant, A.S.White, H.Jackson [1 goal] & P.M.McLachlan

Sat 13 Mar 1943 **Arsenal 4 Watford 1** (At Tottenham Hotspur) League Cup (South), Group 1 Attendance: 7,500
W.S.Mason (gk); H.S.Brown & H.Ferrier; J.Shaw, R.Morris & R.F.Williams; F.J.Kurz, W.H.Brown, D.K.Martin, T.J.Jones & E.N.Jones [1 penalty goal]

Sat 20 Mar 1943 **Watford 1 Brighton & Hove Albion 1** League Cup (South), Group 1 Attendance: 2,184
W.S.Mason (gk); J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.H.Brown, R.Morris & T.J.Jones; J.H.Morris, D.K.Martin, D.Westcott [1 goal], H.Jackson, E.N.Jones

Sat 27 Mar 1943 **Watford 0 West Ham United 0** League Cup (South), Group 1 Attendance: 3,246
W.S.Mason (gk); J.Shaw & F.Roberts; W.H.Brown, G.Dreyer & R.F.Williams; A.S.White, R.C.Maudsley, W.Haysman, T.J.Jones & C.J.Wipfler

Sat 3 Apr 1943 **Watford 1 Arsenal 1** League Cup (South), Group 1 Attendance: 8,726
W.S.Mason (gk); J.Shaw & F.Roberts; H.S.Brown, G.Dreyer & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, G.Moss, H.Jackson, C.J.Wipfler & E.N.Jones [1 goal]

Sat 10 Apr 1943 **Brighton & Hove Albion 0 Watford 5** League Cup (South), Group 1 Attendance: 1,500
W.S.Mason (gk); F.Roberts & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones, G.Dreyer & P.Molloy; E.N.Jones, C.J.Wipfler, H.Jackson [2 goals], J.Hughes [1 goal] & J.H.Morris [1 goal]
There was also 1 own goal.

Sat 17 Apr 1943 **Aldershot 4 Watford 2** Friendly Attendance: 2,000
J.S.Horwood (gk); H.S.Brown & F.Roberts; T.J.Jones, G.Dreyer & R.F.Williams; J.H.Morris [1 goal], C.E.Williams, T.G.Lewis, H.Jackson [1 goal] & C.J.Wipfler

Mon 26 Apr 1943 **Queens Park Rangers 3 Watford 2** Friendly Attendance: about 1,000
J.Horton (gk); J.Shaw & H.S.Brown; W.H.Brown, G.Dreyer & T.J.Jones; E.N.Jones [1 goal], C.E.Williams [1 goal], H.Jackson, N.A.Dymock & C.J.Wipfler
N.A.Dymock played for the club in this match at the age of 15. Eight years later played in the FA Cup against Watford for Aylesbury United.

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE (SOUTH)

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Tottenham Hotspur	30	19	8	3	71	36	46
West Ham United	30	17	7	6	74	39	41
Queens Park Rangers	30	14	12	4	69	54	40
Arsenal	30	14	10	6	72	42	38
Crystal Palace	30	16	5	9	75	53	37
Portsmouth	30	16	5	9	68	59	37
Brentford	30	14	7	9	71	51	35
Chelsea	30	16	2	12	79	55	34
Fulham	30	11	9	10	80	73	31
Millwall	30	13	4	13	70	66	30
Aldershot	30	12	6	12	64	73	30
Reading	30	12	3	15	73	62	27
Southampton	30	10	7	13	67	88	27
Charlton Athletic	30	9	7	14	57	73	25
WATFORD	30	6	8	16	58	80	20
Brighton & Hove Albion	30	9	2	19	55	82	20
Luton Town	30	3	5	22	42	104	11
Clapton Orient	30	4	3	23	32	87	11

LEAGUE CUP (SOUTH), GROUP 2

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Chelsea	6	4	1	1	17	10	9
West Ham United	6	3	0	3	15	11	6
WATFORD	6	2	1	3	7	13	5
Southampton	6	2	0	4	12	17	4

The club finishing at the top of each of four groups progressed to the semi-finals.

APPEARANCES AND (GOALS) IN ALL COMPETITIVE MATCHES

J.C.Anderson 3 (-), G.R.Annis 2 (-), S.N.Baines 7 (1), F.S.Biggerstaff 1 (-), J.Brain 14 (12), H.S.Brown 3 (-), W.H.Brown 29 (3), J.Cruickshank 2 (-), W.Davies 21 (12), C.J.Drinkwater 2 (-), J.H.Dugnonle 14 (-), F.F.Forder 1 (-), A.J.Fowler 5 (-), G.Glaister 3 (-), -- Glynn 1 (-), G.Guest 9 (4), R.V.Gunner 1 (-), R.W.Hipkin 5 (-), F.Howe 2 (-), H.Jackson 18 (11), A.Jeffries 1 (-), A.Jepson 11 (-), J.Jobling 1 (-), R.E.O.Johnson 11 (-), T.J.Jones 30 (3), V.Jones 1 (-), T.G.Lewis 1 (-), J.Liddell 1 (-), J.L.Loughran 8 (1), H.P.Lowe 1 (-), A.R.Lowes 1 (1), D.A.McLeod 5 (-), H.McTavish 1 (-), S.T.Malpass 1 (-), W.S.Mason 12 (-), J.Milburn 14 (1), J.H.Morris 4 (-), T.Murray 7 (-), E.Muttit 1 (-), T.W.Naylor 1 (-), F.R.Needham 1 (-), -- Reid 2 (-), T.W.Robinson 1 (-), R.Ross 25 (1), H.A.Sands 1 (-), K.Saunders 6 (-), W.W.Saunders 2 (-), J.Shaw 28 (1), J.Smeaton 1 (-), J.C.R.Smith 1 (-), T.W.Smith 3 (1), T.W.Spencer 1 (-), J.Stone 3 (1), E.Taylor 2 (-), J.Taylor 1 (-), W.Taylor 4 (-), C.J.Walker 1 (-), R.M.Walls 4 (3), H.Ware 4 (-), L.H.Warner 19 (2), A.Weir 1 (-), D.Westcott 4 (2), A.S.White 1 (1), J.R.Whittle 3 (-), E.E.Williams 7 (-), R.F.Williams 11 (2), J.Williamson 1 (-), -- Winstanley 1 (-), A.Younger 1 (1)

Sat 28 Aug 1943 **Watford 1 Millwall 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,470

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & T.W.Naylor; W.H.Brown, J.Shaw & J.L.Loughran; L.H.Warner, E.Taylor, T.W.Smith **[1 goal]**, T.J.Jones & J.C.R.Smith

Sat 4 Sep 1943 **Reading 8 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,304

H.A.Sands (gk); J.Milburn & W.Taylor; J.Shaw, H.Ware & J.L.Loughran; L.H.Warner **[1 goal]**, E.Taylor, H.Jackson **[1 goal]**, T.J.Jones & -- Reid

Sat 11 Sep 1943 **Watford 6 Southampton 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,508

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & W.Taylor; W.H.Brown, J.H.Morris & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones **[1 goal]**, L.H.Warner, H.Jackson **[2 goals]**, J.L.Loughran & W.Davies **[2 goals]**
There was also **1 own goal**.

Sat 18 Sep 1943 **Queens Park Rangers 3 Watford 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 5,885

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & W.Taylor; W.H.Brown, J.H.Morris & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones, J.Williamson, T.G.Lewis, H.Jackson **[1 goal]** & T.W.Smith

Sat 25 Sep 1943 **Aldershot 3 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,500

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn **[1 goal]** & W.Taylor; R.Ross, J.H.Morris & J.Shaw **[1 goal]**; J.Cruickshank, W.H.Brown, A.R.Lowes **[1 goal]**, T.J.Jones & W.Davies

Sat 2 Oct 1943 **Brentford 4 Watford 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 6,720

W.S.Mason (gk); H.Ware & J.Shaw; R.Ross **[1 goal]**, J.H.Morris & H.S.Brown; L.H.Warner, A.Weir, D.Westcott, H.Jackson & W.Davies

Sat 9 Oct 1943 **Watford 2 Charlton Athletic 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,102

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & E.Muttit; W.H.Brown, H.S.Brown & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones **[1 goal]**, L.H.Warner, H.Ware, H.Jackson & W.Davies **[1 goal]**

Sat 16 Oct 1943 **Watford 6 Clapton Orient 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,886

E.E.Williams (gk); J.Shaw & J.L.Loughran; R.Ross, T.W.Robinson & T.Murray; L.H.Warner, W.H.Brown **[1 goal]**, J.Brain **[3 goals]**, T.J.Jones & W.Davies **[2 goals, including a penalty]**

Sat 23 Oct 1943 **Arsenal 4 Watford 2** (At Tottenham Hotspur) Football League (South) Attendance: 8,033

E.E.Williams (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; R.Ross, H.Ware & D.A.McLeod; T.J.Jones, T.Murray, J.Brain **[1 goal]**, H.Jackson **[1 goal]** & W.Davies

Sat 30 Oct 1943 **Portsmouth 2 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 8,159

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; R.Ross, F.W.Needham & D.A.McLeod; L.H.Warner, J.C.Anderson, J.Brain **[3 goals]**, T.J.Jones & W.Davies

Sat 6 Nov 1943 **Watford 2 Crystal Palace 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,783

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & J.Taylor; R.Ross, J.Shaw & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, J.Brain, D.Westcott **[2 goals]**, T.Murray & W.Davies

Sat 13 Nov 1943 **Fulham 0 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,901

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; W.H.Brown, R.Ross & D.A.McLeod; L.H.Warner, R.M.Walls, D.Westcott, H.Jackson & W.Davies

Sat 20 Nov 1943 **Tottenham Hotspur 4 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 8,499

W.S.Mason (gk); T.J.Jones & J.Jobling; W.Davies, R.Ross & J.H.Dugnonle; H.McTavish, J.Liddell, R.M.Walls **[2 goals]**, H.Jackson & T.W.Spencer

The time of Walls's first goal was described as "about five seconds" from the start of the match. He kicked off, took an immediate return pass and ran through to score.

Sat 27 Nov 1943 **Millwall 4 Watford 3** (At Charlton Athletic) Football League (South) Attendance: 1,651

J.Cruickshank (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; W.H.Brown, R.Ross & J.H.Dugnonle; L.H.Warner, J.L.Loughran **[1 goal]**, J.Brain **[1 goal]**, T.J.Jones & W.Davies **[1 goal]**
Cruickshank's only other appearance for the club was at outside-right.

Sat 4 Dec 1943 **Watford 3 Reading 5** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,078

W.S.Mason (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; W.H.Brown, R.Ross & J.H.Dugnonle; L.H.Warner, J.Brain **[1 goal]**, D.Westcott, T.J.Jones & W.Davies **[2 goals]**

Sat 11 Dec 1943 **Southampton 4 Watford 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,600

W.S.Mason (gk); F.F.Forder & S.T.Malpass; D.A.McLeod, J.L.Loughran & J.H.Dugnonle; T.J.Jones, H.Jackson, R.M.Walls **[1 goal]**, S.N.Baines & W.Davies

Sat 18 Dec 1943 **Watford 1 Chelsea 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,229

E.E.Williams (gk); T.J.Jones & J.Shaw; J.H.Dugnonle, R.Ross & R.W.Hipkin; L.H.Warner, W.H.Brown, J.Brain **[1 goal]**, H.Jackson & S.N.Baines

Sat 25 Dec 1943 **Luton Town 2 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 7,000

E.E.Williams (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; W.H.Brown, R.Ross & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, R.W.Hipkin, J.Brain, H.Jackson **[3 goals]** & C.J.Drinkwater

Mon 27 Dec 1943	Watford 1 Luton Town 2	Football League (South)	Attendance: 5,558
<i>E.E.Williams (gk); T.J.Jones & J.Shaw; R.W.Hipkin, R.Ross & W.H.Brown; -- Winstanley, G.Guest [1 goal], R.F.Williams, J.C.Anderson & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 1 Jan 1944	Watford 2 Queens Park Rangers 2	Football League (South)	Attendance: 4,483
<i>E.E.Williams (gk); R.V.Gunner & R.F.Williams; W.H.Brown, K.Saunders & J.H.Dugnolle; L.H.Warner, R.W.Hipkin, H.P.Lowe, W.Davies [2 goals] & T.Murray</i>			
Sat 8 Jan 1944	Crystal Palace 1 Watford 0	Football League (South)	Attendance: 5,000
<i>E.E.Williams (gk); W.H.Brown & J.L.Loughran; J.H.Dugnolle, R.E.O.Johnson & D.A.McLeod; L.H.Warner, R.W.Hipkin, R.M.Walls, T.J.Jones & T.W.Smith</i>			
Sat 22 Jan 1944	Watford 4 Brentford 4	Football League (South)	Attendance: 2,759
<i>A.Jepson (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones, R.E.O.Johnson & J.H.Dugnolle; L.H.Warner [1 goal], G.Guest, J.Brain [1 goal], T.Murray & W.Davies [2 goals]</i>			
Sat 29 Jan 1944	Charlton Athletic 1 Watford 1	Football League (South)	Attendance: about 3,000
<i>A.Jepson (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones [1 goal], R.E.O.Johnson & J.H.Dugnolle; R.Ross, J.L.Loughran, J.Brain, A.J.Fowler & W.Davies</i>			
Sat 5 Feb 1944	Clapton Orient 0 Watford 0	Football League (South)	Attendance: 2,000
<i>A.Jepson (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; R.Ross, R.E.O.Johnson & J.H.Dugnolle; F.S.Biggerstaff, T.J.Jones, J.Brain, K.Saunders & W.Davies</i>			
Sat 12 Feb 1944	Watford 0 Arsenal 2	Football League (South)	Attendance: 7,887
<i>A.Jepson (gk); R.Ross & J.Shaw; A.J.Fowler, R.E.O.Johnson & J.H.Dugnolle; T.J.Jones, J.Smeaton, F.Howe, H.Jackson & W.Davies</i>			
Sat 19 Feb 1944	West Ham United 1 Watford 2	League Cup (South), Group 2	Attendance: 4,500
<i>A.Jepson (gk); J.R.Whittle & J.Shaw; R.Ross, R.E.O.Johnson & J.H.Dugnolle; T.J.Jones, W.H.Brown [2 goals], H.Jackson, G.Guest & W.Davies</i>			
Sat 26 Feb 1944	Watford 0 Chelsea 3	League Cup (South), Group 2	Attendance: 5,282
<i>A.Jepson (gk); J.R.Whittle & J.Shaw; A.J.Fowler, R.E.O.Johnson & J.H.Dugnolle; T.J.Jones, W.H.Brown, H.Jackson, G.Guest & W.Davies</i>			
Sat 4 Mar 1944	Southampton 3 Watford 1	League Cup (South), Group 2	Attendance: 6,000
<i>A.Jepson (gk); J.R.Whittle & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones, R.Ross & J.H.Dugnolle; A.S.White [1 goal], W.H.Brown, J.Brain, J.C.Anderson & C.J.Walker</i>			
Sat 11 Mar 1944	Watford 2 West Ham United 1	League Cup (South), Group 2	Attendance: 4,257
<i>A.Jepson (gk); W.H.Brown & T.J.Jones; R.Ross, R.E.O.Johnson & R.F.Williams; L.H.Warner, W.Davies, J.Brain [1 goal], H.Jackson [1 goal], & G.Glaister</i>			
Sat 18 Mar 1944	Chelsea 1 Watford 1	League Cup (South), Group 2	Attendance: 14,440
<i>A.Jepson (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; R.Ross, R.E.O.Johnson & R.F.Williams; L.H.Warner, G.Guest, H.Jackson [1 goal], A.J.Fowler & G.Glaister</i>			
Sat 25 Mar 1944	Watford 1 Southampton 4	League Cup (South), Group 2	Attendance: 3,440
<i>A.Jepson (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; R.Ross, R.E.O.Johnson & R.F.Williams; L.H.Warner, G.Guest, J.Brain, H.Jackson [1 goal] & A.J.Fowler</i>			
Sat 1 Apr 1944	Watford 1 Portsmouth 3	Football League (South)	Attendance: 2,281
<i>A.Jepson (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones, R.E.O.Johnson & R.F.Williams; -- Glynn, T.Murray, A.Younger [1 goal], S.N.Baines & G.Glaister</i>			
Sat 8 Apr 1944	West Ham United 4 Watford 2	Friendly	
<i>G.R.Annis (gk); W.H.Brown & T.J.Jones; 'A.N.Other', K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; F.S.Biggerstaff, A.Jeffries, G.Guest, A.J.Fowler & S.N.Baines [2 goals]</i> <i>The published line-up named A.J.Duncombe at right-half, a local amateur who had made a number of appearances for the club early in the war. Many years later the player himself was mystified when asked about this match and was adamant that he had not played in it: he had actually been serving abroad at the time.</i>			
Mon 10 Apr 1944	Watford 2 Aldershot 1	Football League (South)	Attendance: 4,880
<i>W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & T.J.Jones; R.Ross, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams [2 goals, including a penalty]; A.Jeffries, G.Guest, F.Howe, -- Reid & S.N.Baines</i>			
Sat 22 Apr 1944	Chelsea 2 Watford 1	Football League (South)	Attendance: 5,586
<i>G.R.Annis (gk); W.H.Brown & T.J.Jones; R.Ross, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; L.H.Warner, T.Murray, J.Stone [1 goal], H.Jackson & S.N.Baines</i>			
Sat 29 Apr 1944	Watford 3 Fulham 6	Football League (South)	Attendance: 2,196
<i>G.R.Annis (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; R.Ross, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; L.H.Warner, G.Guest [2 goals], J.Stone, V.Jones & S.N.Baines [1 goal]</i>			
Sat 6 May 1944	Watford 1 Tottenham Hotspur 1	Football League (South)	Attendance: 2,655
<i>W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; R.Ross, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, W.H.Brown, J.Stone, G.Guest [1 goal] & S.N.Baines</i>			

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FOOTBALL LEAGUE (SOUTH)

LEAGUE CUP (SOUTH), GROUP 4

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Chelsea	6	5	1	0	13	3	11
Southampton	6	4	2	0	29	11	10
Charlton Athletic	6	4	1	1	16	5	9
Luton Town	6	1	1	4	8	25	3
Crystal Palace	6	0	2	4	5	13	2
WATFORD	6	0	1	5	6	20	1

The club finishing at the top of each of four groups progressed to the semi-finals.

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Tottenham Hotspur	30	23	6	1	81	30	52
West Ham United	30	22	3	5	96	47	47
Brentford	30	17	4	9	87	57	38
Chelsea	30	16	5	9	100	55	37
Southampton	30	17	3	10	96	69	37
Crystal Palace	30	15	5	10	74	70	35
Reading	30	14	6	10	78	68	34
Arsenal	30	14	3	13	77	67	31
Queens Park Rangers	30	10	10	10	70	61	30
WATFORD	30	11	6	13	66	84	28
Fulham	30	11	4	15	79	83	26
Portsmouth	30	11	4	15	56	61	26
Charlton Athletic	30	12	2	16	72	81	26
Brighton & Hove Albion	30	10	2	18	66	95	22
Luton Town	30	6	7	17	56	104	19
Aldershot	30	7	4	19	44	85	18
Millwall	30	5	7	18	50	84	17
Clapton Orient	30	5	7	18	39	86	17

APPEARANCES AND (GOALS) IN ALL COMPETITIVE MATCHES

M.Allen 1 (-), S.N.Baines 12 (2), T.A.Barnett 1 (-), R.Barnham 1 (-), S.J.Bennett 1 (1), T.Birkbeck 1 (-), J.C.Bowles 1 (-), J.Brain 6 (4), N.R.Brand 1 (-), P.W.Bright 1 (-), H.S.Brown 3 (-), W.H.Brown 29 (-), J.H.Browne 3 (-), R.J.Browne 23 (-), W.F.Burnicle 2 (-), R.G.G.Croucher 1 (-), P.J.Curran 2 (1), W.Davies 18 (1), S.Denby 1 (-), C.J.Drinkwater 7 (-), T.Dutton 4 (-), H.Dykes 1 (3), W.Findlay 1 (-), J.L.Franklin 1 (-), L.Gallimore 1 (-), H.G.Groves 1 (-), J.Hartshorne 3 (-), E.J.Hayward 1 (-), R.W.Hipkin 3 (-), S.Hooper 1 (1), S.Hughes 2 (-), G.H.Hunt 1 (-), H.Jackson 21 (11), B.A.G.Jezzard 5 (1), J.Jobling 1 (-), F.Jones 1 (1), T.J.Jones 28 (-), D.J.Lewis 2 (-), T.G.Lewis 20 (23), G.T.Matthewson 1 (-), J.McCracken 1 (-), D.A.McLeod 1 (-), J.McNeil 1 (-), J.Milburn 14 (3), J.Moffatt 1 (-), K.G.Moody 2 (-), K.H.Nisbet 1 (-), R.Paul 4 (-), H.Rothery 1 (-), K.Saunders 22 (-), W.W.Saunders 31 (-), J.Shaw 21 (-), T.W.Smith 4 (1), T.W.Spencer 2 (-), J.Stone 7 (2), M.R.Tadman 1 (-), E.Taylor 1 (-), J.Tivendale 13 (1), S.Walker 7 (3), F.V.Wicks 1 (-), R.F.Williams 31 (3), A.Woodward 4 (-), J.L.Wrigglesworth 11 (10)

Sat 26 Aug 1944 **Southampton 9 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 7,000

M.Allen (gk); E.Taylor & P.W.Bright; R.W.Hipkin, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; N.R.Brand, H.Rothery, H.Jackson, P.J.Curran & W.Davies

Sat 2 Sep 1944 **Watford 2 Crystal Palace 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,410

W.W.Saunders (gk); G.H.Hunt & R.F.Williams; W.H.Brown, G.T.Matthewson & T.Dutton; T.W.Spencer, R.W.Hipkin, J.Brain, H.Jackson [1 goal] & S.N.Baines [1 goal]

Sat 9 Sep 1944 **Watford 3 West Ham United 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,842

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; W.Davies, J.L.Wrigglesworth [1 goal], J.Brain [1 goal], H.Jackson [1 goal] & T.W.Spencer

Sat 16 Sep 1944 **Watford 2 Reading 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,695

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; W.Davies, J.L.Wrigglesworth, J.Brain [1 goal], H.Jackson [1 goal] & S.N.Baines

Sat 23 Sep 1944 **Aldershot 1 Watford 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,395

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & H.S.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; K.H.Nisbet, J.L.Wrigglesworth, H.Jackson, S.Denby & T.Dutton

Sat 30 Sep 1944 **Watford 1 Fulham 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,840

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & D.J.Lewis; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; J.Brain [1 goal], J.L.Wrigglesworth, T.G.Lewis, R.W.Hipkin & T.Dutton

Sat 7 Oct 1944 **Clapton Orient 4 Watford 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,000

J.C.Bowles (gk); W.H.Brown & D.J.Lewis; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; J.Brain, J.Shaw, T.G.Lewis [2 goals], H.Jackson [1 goal] & F.Jones [1 goal]

Sat 14 Oct 1944 **Brentford 4 Watford 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 5,387

W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Hartshorne & W.H.Brown; J.Shaw, K.Saunders & W.F.Burnicle; S.N.Baines, R.F.Williams, T.G.Lewis, J.Brain [1 goal] & T.Birkbeck

Sat 21 Oct 1944 **Watford 3 Portsmouth 0** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,520

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Hartshorne; W.F.Burnicle, J.Shaw & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, J.L.Wrigglesworth [2 goals], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], H.Jackson & T.Dutton

Sat 28 Oct 1944 **Watford 1 Chelsea 6** Football League (South) Attendance: 7,730

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Hartshorne; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; T.A.Barnett, J.H.Browne, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], H.Jackson & S.N.Baines

Sat 4 Nov 1944 **Luton Town 2 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,462

W.W.Saunders (gk); K.G.Moody & J.Shaw; R.Paul, K.Saunders & R.J.Browne; T.J.Jones, J.L.Wrigglesworth [2 goals], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], H.Jackson & S.N.Baines

Sat 11 Nov 1944 **Watford 5 Brighton & Hove Albion 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,853

W.W.Saunders (gk); K.G.Moody & J.Shaw; R.Paul, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, J.L.Wrigglesworth [2 goals], T.G.Lewis [2 goals], H.Jackson & S.N.Baines [1 goal]

Sat 18 Nov 1944 **Arsenal 4 Watford 0** (At Tottenham Hotspur) Football League (South) Attendance: 7,910

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; R.J.Browne, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, J.L.Wrigglesworth, T.G.Lewis, J.Stone & S.N.Baines

Sat 25 Nov 1944 **Watford 3 Charlton Athletic 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,326

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; R.J.Browne, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; T.J.Jones, J.L.Wrigglesworth [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], H.Jackson [1 penalty goal] & W.Davies

Sat 2 Dec 1944 **Watford 2 Southampton 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,451

W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; R.Paul, K.Saunders & R.J.Browne; W.Davies, J.L.Wrigglesworth [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], H.Jackson & S.N.Baines

Sat 9 Dec 1944 **Crystal Palace 2 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 5,897

W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; R.Paul, S.Hughes & R.J.Browne; T.J.Jones, R.F.Williams [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], J.L.Wrigglesworth [1 goal] & W.Davies

Sat 16 Dec 1944 **West Ham United 6 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 7,000

W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn [1 penalty goal] & J.Shaw; R.F.Williams, S.Hughes & R.J.Browne; T.J.Jones, W.H.Brown, T.G.Lewis, S.J.Bennett [1 goal] & W.Davies

Sat 23 Dec 1944 **Millwall 3 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,500

W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.J.Browne; W.Davies, R.F.Williams [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [2 goals], H.Jackson & S.N.Baines

Tue 26 Dec 1944 **Watford 0 Millwall 3** (Match abandoned after 60 minutes, owing to fog) Football League (South) Attendance: 3,345

W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Stone & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; J.Tivendale, W.Davies, T.G.Lewis, C.S.Bastin & J.L.Wrigglesworth
Arsenal's Cliff Bastin, one of the great players of his era, had his one Watford appearance nullified by the abandonment.

Sat 30 Dec 1944 **Reading 4 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,037
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn [1 penalty goal] & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.J.Browne; W.Davies, W.Findlay, J.Stone [1 goal], H.Jackson & S.N.Baines Bill Findlay, the club's manager and former player, made his final appearance for the club at the age of nearly 45.

Sat 6 Jan 1945 **Watford 1 Aldershot 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,261
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; E.J.Hayward, K.Saunders & R.J.Browne; T.J.Jones, R.F.Williams [1 goal], H.Jackson, J.Shaw & S.N.Baines

Sat 13 Jan 1945 **Fulham 0 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,616
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, J.Shaw & R.J.Browne; J.Tivendale [1 goal], R.F.Williams, H.Jackson [1 goal], W.Davies & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 20 Jan 1945 **Watford 0 Clapton Orient 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,906
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.J.Browne; J.Tivendale, R.F.Williams, J.McCracken, W.H.Brown & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 3 Feb 1945 **Charlton Athletic 1 Watford 1** League Cup (South), Group 4 Attendance: 5,500
W.W.Saunders (gk); T.J.Jones & J.Shaw; R.F.Williams, A.Woodward & R.J.Browne; J.Tivendale, T.W.Smith, H.Jackson [1 penalty goal], W.Davies & M.R.Tadman

Sat 10 Feb 1945 **Chelsea 3 Watford 1** League Cup (South), Group 4 Attendance: 12,027
A.Woodward (gk); T.J.Jones & W.H.Brown; R.J.Browne, J.Shaw & D.A.McLeod; J.Tivendale, R.F.Williams, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], W.Davies & C.J.Drinkwater
After well over four hundred Watford appearances in the half-back line, Arthur Woodward was called on to make his goalkeeping debut away to First Division opposition.

Sat 17 Feb 1945 **Watford 1 Southampton 6** League Cup (South), Group 4 Attendance: 4,124
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Shaw; T.J.Jones, A.Woodward & R.J.Browne; J.Tivendale, R.F.Williams, T.W.Smith [1 goal], W.Davies & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 24 Feb 1945 **Watford 2 Charlton Athletic 6** League Cup (South), Group 4 Attendance: 4,130
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn [1 penalty goal] & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; J.Tivendale, W.Davies [1 goal], J.Stone, J.H.Browne & S.N.Baines

Sat 3 Mar 1945 **Watford 0 Chelsea 2** League Cup (South), Group 4 Attendance: 5,992
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; R.J.Browne, J.Shaw & R.F.Williams; J.Tivendale, T.W.Smith, H.Jackson, W.Davies & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 10 Mar 1945 **Southampton 2 Watford 1** League Cup (South), Group 4 Attendance: 12,000
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, J.Shaw & R.J.Browne; J.Tivendale, S.Walker, T.W.Smith, S.Hooper [1 goal] & W.Davies

Sat 17 Mar 1945 **Portsmouth 3 Watford 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 9,000
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & J.Jobling; T.J.Jones, J.Shaw & R.J.Browne; J.Tivendale, S.Walker [1 goal], H.Jackson [2 goals], P.J.Curran [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 31 Mar 1945 **Watford 1 Luton Town 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 4,636
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Stone & W.H.Brown; R.J.Browne, J.McNeil & R.F.Williams; J.Tivendale, J.Maffatt, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], J.L.Franklin & T.J.Jones
Tommy Jones, who made more Second World War appearances for Watford than any other player, was sent off after 81 minutes. It was the club's only dismissal in either of the world wars.

Mon 2 Apr 1945 **Northampton Town 3 Watford 3** Friendly
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Stone & W.H.Brown; R.J.Browne, H.G.Groves & R.F.Williams; J.Tivendale, T.J.Jones, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], J.L.Franklin & J.H.Browne [2 goals]

Sat 14 Apr 1945 **Brighton & Hove Albion 3 Watford 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,000
A.Woodward (gk); L.Gallimore & J.Milburn; R.J.Browne, H.G.Groves & R.F.Williams; J.H.Browne, S.Walker [1 goal], J.Stone [1 goal], T.J.Jones & B.A.G.Jezard

Sat 21 Apr 1945 **Watford 3 Arsenal 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 5,980
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; R.J.Browne, J.Shaw & R.F.Williams; J.Tivendale, S.Walker [1 goal], T.G.Lewis, H.Jackson [2 goals] & C.J.Drinkwater
Arsenal turned up two men short, and Watford loaned them Tommy Jones and Len Gallimore. The latter, very uncharacteristically, scored both the visitors' goals.

Sat 28 Apr 1945 **Charlton Athletic 3 Watford 3** Football League (South) Attendance: 3,462
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; R.J.Browne, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; B.A.G.Jezard, S.Walker, T.G.Lewis [3 goals], H.Jackson & W.Davies

Sat 5 May 1945 **Chelsea 3 Watford 4** Football League (South) Attendance: 1,896
R.G.G.Croucher (gk); J.Shaw & J.Stone; R.F.Williams, K.Saunders & R.J.Browne; B.A.G.Jezard [1 goal], F.V.Wicks, T.G.Lewis [3 goals], S.Walker & J.Tivendale

Sat 12 May 1945 **Watford 1 Millwall 2** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,838
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Stone & J.Shaw; R.J.Browne, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; B.A.G.Jezard, S.Walker, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], T.J.Jones & W.Davies

Sat 19 May 1945 **Watford 5 Brentford 1** Football League (South) Attendance: 2,563
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Milburn & W.H.Brown; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders & R.F.Williams; R.Barnham, B.A.G.Jezard, T.G.Lewis [2 goals], H.Dykes [3 goals] & J.Tivendale

1945/46

THE FA Cup competition restarted this season (albeit on a two-legs basis until the semi-finals), but the Football League did not resume normal peacetime operations until a year later. For 1945/46 the two regional 3rd Divisions were reassembled, although they were subdivided into further geographic regions and given the convoluted titles Division 3 South (South Region), Division 3 South (North Region), Division 3 North (West Region) and Division 3 North (East Region).

FOOTBALL LEAGUE, DIVISION 3 SOUTH (NORTH REGION)

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Queens Park Rangers	20	14	4	2	50	15	32
Norwich City	20	11	4	5	54	31	26
Port Vale	20	9	6	5	34	25	24
WATFORD	20	10	2	8	42	47	22
Ipswich Town	20	8	4	8	33	36	20
Notts County	20	8	4	8	39	47	20
Northampton Town	20	8	3	9	37	34	19
Clapton Orient	20	5	6	9	28	42	16
Walsall	20	6	3	11	31	42	15
Southend United	20	5	5	10	33	49	15
Mansfield Town	20	3	5	12	29	42	11

FOOTBALL LEAGUE, DIVISION 3 SOUTH CUP (NORTH REGION)

	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	Pts
Queens Park Rangers	16	11	3	2	38	11	25
Walsall	16	10	4	2	34	18	24
Mansfield Town	16	8	4	4	24	15	20
Southend United	16	7	5	4	22	21	19
Norwich City	16	7	2	7	27	25	16
Ipswich Town	16	7	1	8	19	24	15
Clapton Orient	16	6	3	7	22	31	15
Port Vale	16	5	4	7	21	25	14
Northampton Town	16	5	2	9	27	29	12
WATFORD	16	5	1	10	23	35	11
Notts County	16	5	0	11	17	31	10

The top two clubs in each of the two geographic regions progressed to the semi-finals.

APPEARANCES AND (GOALS) IN ALL COMPETITIVE MATCHES

D.W.J.Anthony 1 (-), J.Beck 1 (-), W.Beckett 24 (6), G.P.Bland 2 (-), R.Brown 1 (-), W.H.Brown 11 (1), P.J.Curran 16 (2), D.B.L.Davidson 1 (-), W.Davies 31 (9), C.J.Drinkwater 33 (3), W.L.Dunderdale 8 (5), M.Edelston 1 (1), A.L.Farnen 1 (-), E.J.Feeney 1 (-), L.Gallimore 22 (-), P.Gillespie 42 (-), H.A.Goodman 2 (-), R.Gray 44 (9), W.T.Harris 4 (-), T.Howshall 5 (-), B.A.G.Jezzard 16 (6), J.Jobling 1 (-), T.J.Jones 27 (2), A.Kelly 1 (-), T.G.Lewis 35 (24), G.Linsley 1 (-), L.Martindale 2 (-), G.Mee 34 (-), G.A.Merrett 1 (-), S.H.Mortensen 1 (-), F.W.Moss 1 (-), R.V.O'Brien 27 (-), J.Paterson 2 (-), B.Pool 5 (-), B.Ratcliffe 1 (-), L.V.Robertson 3 (-), K.Saunders 2 (1), W.W.Saunders 8 (-), J.Shaw 39 (-),-- Smith 1 (-), T.W.Smith 2 (-), H.Staniford 1 (-), T.Stocker 2 (-), J.Stone 8 (-), H.Surtees 1 (-), J.Tivendale 1 (-), A.Weir 21 (3)

Sat 25 Aug 1945 **Norwich City 8 Watford 1** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 7,000
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Shaw & D.B.L.Davidson; P.Gillespie, K.Saunders & R.Gray; B.A.G.Jezzard, W.H.Brown, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], T.W.Smith & J.Paterson

Wed 29 Aug 1945 **Watford 4 Northampton Town 2** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 2,768
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & B.Pool; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; T.J.Jones, S.H.Mortensen, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], M.Edelston [1 goal] & B.A.G.Jezzard [2 goals]

Sat 1 Sep 1945 **Watford 2 Norwich City 1** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 4,842
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & B.Pool; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; T.J.Jones, K.Saunders [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], T.Howshall & B.A.G.Jezzard

Sat 8 Sep 1945 **Watford 2 Mansfield Town 1** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 4,649
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & B.Pool; P.Gillespie, B.Ratcliffe & R.Gray; W.Davies, J.Shaw, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], T.Howshall & B.A.G.Jezzard [1 goal]

Sat 15 Sep 1945 **Mansfield Town 1 Watford 2** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 4,500
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & R.Gray; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & H.A.Goodman; T.J.Jones [2 goals], T.Stocker, T.G.Lewis, J.Paterson & B.A.G.Jezzard

Mon 17 Sep 1945 **Northampton Town 3 Watford 0** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 5,969
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & B.Pool; H.A.Goodman, J.Shaw & R.Gray; T.J.Jones, P.Gillespie, T.Stocker, R.Brown & B.A.G.Jezzard

Sat 22 Sep 1945 **Southend United 6 Watford 2** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 6,210
W.W.Saunders (gk); W.H.Brown & B.Pool; R.Gray, J.Shaw & P.Gillespie; T.J.Jones, P.J.Curran, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], T.Howshall & B.A.G.Jezzard. There was also 1 own goal.

Sat 29 Sep 1945 **Watford 0 Southend United 1** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 5,266
G.Mee (gk); W.H.Brown & R.Gray; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & T.Howshall; T.J.Jones, R.V.O'Brien, T.G.Lewis, P.J.Curran & B.A.G.Jezzard

Sat 6 Oct 1945 **Watford 2 Walsall 1** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 4,781
G.Mee (gk); J.Stone & W.H.Brown; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray [2 penalty goals]; T.J.Jones, B.A.G.Jezzard, T.W.Smith, T.Howshall & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 13 Oct 1945 **Walsall 0 Watford 3** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 3,924
W.W.Saunders (gk); J.Stone & R.V.O'Brien; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; B.A.G.Jezzard [1 goal], W.H.Brown [1 goal], T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 20 Oct 1945 **Port Vale 2 Watford 1** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 7,607
G.Mee (gk); T.J.Jones & W.H.Brown; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray [1 goal]; H.Staniford, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett & F.W.Moss

Sat 27 Oct 1945 **Watford 2 Port Vale 2** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 5,528
G.Mee (gk); J.Stone & R.V.O'Brien; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; B.A.G.Jezzard, W.Beckett, T.G.Lewis [2 goals], P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 3 Nov 1945 **Watford 4 Ipswich Town 3** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 5,021
G.Mee (gk); J.Stone & R.V.O'Brien; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; B.A.G.Jezzard, P.J.Curran [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], W.Beckett [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater [1 goal]

Sat 10 Nov 1945 **Ipswich Town 4 Watford 2** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 9,500
G.Mee (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Stone; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; B.A.G.Jezzard [1 goal], P.J.Curran, T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater
Ipswich were awarded three penalty kicks, which produced one goal, one save and one miss.

Sat 17 Nov 1945 **Watford 1 Southend United 1** FA Cup, 1st Round, 1st leg Attendance: 5,808
G.P.Bland (gk); R.V.O'Brien & W.T.Harris; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; T.J.Jones, W.Davies [1 goal], T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater
This being the first "official" post-war fixture, the Watford eleven was of necessity made up entirely of the club's own registered players – the first such line-up since 1940.

Sat 24 Nov 1945 **Southend United 0 Watford 3** FA Cup, 1st Round, 2nd leg Attendance: 7,200
G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray [1 goal]; B.A.G.Jezzard, W.Beckett, T.G.Lewis [2 goals], W.Davies & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 1 Dec 1945 **Watford 0 Queens Park Rangers 2** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 11,215
G.Mee (gk); L.Gallimore & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; P.J.Curran, T.G.Lewis, W.L.Dunderdale, W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 8 Dec 1945 **Bromley 1 Watford 3** FA Cup, 2nd Round, 1st leg Attendance: 5,092
G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray [1 penalty goal]; B.A.G.Jezzard [1 goal], W.Beckett, T.G.Lewis, W.Davies & C.J.Drinkwater
There was also 1 own goal.

Sat 15 Dec 1945 **Watford 1 Bromley 1** FA Cup, 2nd Round, 2nd leg Attendance: 5,481
G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray [1 penalty goal]; B.A.G.Jezzard, W.Beckett, T.G.Lewis, W.Davies & C.J.Drinkwater

Sat 22 Dec 1945 **Watford 5 Clapton Orient 2** Football League, Division 3 South (North Region) Attendance: 2,883
G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, R.Gray & T.J.Jones; W.Davies, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis [4 goals], P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater [1 goal]

Tue 25 Dec 1945	Watford 7 Notts County 2	Football League, Division 3 South (North Region)	Attendance: 3,589
<i>G.Mee (gk); J.Stone & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, R.Gray & T.J.Jones; W.Davies, A.Weir [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [4 goals], P.J.Curran [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater [1 goal]</i>			
Wed 26 Dec 1945	Notts County 1 Watford 2	Football League, Division 3 South (North Region)	Attendance: 17,174
<i>G.Mee (gk); J.Stone & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, R.Gray & T.J.Jones; W.Davies [2 goals], A.Weir, T.G.Lewis, P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 29 December 1945	Watford 6 Polish Air Force 2	Friendly	Attendance: 2,130
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, R.Gray & T.J.Jones; W.Davies [1 goal], A.Weir [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [3 goals], P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater [1 goal]</i> <i>George Lewis took his goal tally to 11 in 8 days.</i>			
Tue 1 Jan 1946	Queens Park Rangers 1 Watford 1	Football League, Division 3 South (North Region)	Attendance: 6,400
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; T.J.Jones, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies [1 goal], P.Gillespie, T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 5 Jan 1946	Nottingham Forest 1 Watford 1	FA Cup, 3rd Round, 1st leg	Attendance: 15,394
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater. There was 1 own goal.</i>			
Wed 9 Jan 1946	Watford 1 Nottingham Forest 1	(Match abandoned in extra time)	FA Cup, 3rd Round, 2nd leg Attendance: 7,008
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, W.Beckett, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater</i> <i>Owing to rain and bad light, the match was abandoned after 143 minutes, which included 20 minutes of 'normal' extra time and a further 33 minutes played in the unfulfilled hope of securing a decisive result on aggregate and averting the need for a replay.</i>			
Thu 10 Jan 1946	Clapton Orient 4 Watford 0	Football League, Division 3 South (North Region)	Attendance: 1,500
<i>G.A.Merrett (gk); W.T.Harris & J.Jobling; -- Smith, J.Beck & G.Linsley; E.J.Feeney, A.Kelly, T.G.Lewis, W.Davies & D.W.J.Anthony</i> <i>Owing to the strenuous nature of the previous day's game, a very weak and inexperienced team was selected for this fixture.</i>			
Sat 12 Jan 1946	Watford 1 Cardiff City 7	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 7,821
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & J.Stone; P.Gillespie, R.Gray & T.J.Jones; W.Davies, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater</i> <i>The war was over, but not the complications surrounding the final season of wartime competitions. Cardiff City was actually one of the clubs in the <u>South</u> Region of this stage of the Division 3 South Cup, and the result of this match therefore counted in both the regional sections. It is not known how or why this bizarre anomaly arose, but the same circumstances applied to the return match seven days later.</i>			
Wed 16 Jan 1946	Nottingham Forest 0 Watford 1	(After extra time) (At Tottenham Hotspur)	FA Cup, 3rd Round replay Attendance: 6,500
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis, P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater. The tie was settled by 1 own goal in extra time.</i>			
Sat 19 Jan 1946	Cardiff City 0 Watford 2	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 10,000
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies [1 goal], A.Weir, T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater</i> <i>(See footnote to match played seven days earlier.)</i>			
Sat 26 Jan 1946	Birmingham City 5 Watford 0	FA Cup, 4th Round, 1st leg	Attendance: 23,973
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis, P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Wed 30 Jan 1946	Watford 1 Birmingham City 1	FA Cup, 4th Round, 2nd leg	Attendance: 5,277
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & T.J.Jones; W.Davies, A.Weir, R.Gray [1 penalty goal], P.J.Curran & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 2 Feb 1946	Clapton Orient 4 Watford 3	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 7,000
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; T.J.Jones, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies [1 goal], A.Weir, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater. There was also 1 own goal.</i>			
Sat 9 Feb 1946	Watford 1 Northampton Town 0	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 4,647
<i>G.Mee (gk); W.T.Harris & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies [1 goal], W.Beckett, T.G.Lewis, A.Weir & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 16 Feb 1946	Northampton Town 4 Watford 1	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 5,500
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies [1 goal], P.J.Curran, T.G.Lewis, A.Weir & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 23 Feb 1946	Notts County 2 Watford 1	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 10,000
<i>G.P.Bland (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, P.J.Curran, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 2 Mar 1946	Watford 6 Notts County 2	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 1,373
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray [2 goals]; W.Davies [1 goal], A.Weir [1 goal], T.G.Lewis [1 goal], W.Beckett [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 9 Mar 1946	Watford 1 Queens Park Rangers 3	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 8,665
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis, W.Beckett [1 goal] & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 16 Mar 1946	Queens Park Rangers 2 Watford 1	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 8,838
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, A.Weir, T.G.Lewis [1 goal], W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 23 Mar 1946	Watford 2 Norwich City 1	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 5,269
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, R.Gray & T.J.Jones; J.Tivendale, A.Weir [1 goal], W.L.Dunderdale [1 goal], W.Beckett & W.Davies</i>			
Sat 30 Mar 1946	Norwich City 3 Watford 0	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 10,618
<i>G.Mee (gk); L.Gallimore & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, A.Weir, W.L.Dunderdale, L.V.Robertson & C.J.Drinkwater</i> <i>There was confusion over the identity of the inside-left, who was reported variously as 'A.Newman' and Bill Beckett. The latter it most certainly wasn't, as he scored for the Reserves that afternoon, and the Football League archives reveal the player to have been Len Robertson of Hartlepoons United, who was to sign for Watford three months later. (See also the matches on 19 and 20 April.)</i>			
Sat 6 Apr 1946	Watford 0 Ipswich Town 1	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 4,317
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, A.Weir, W.L.Dunderdale, W.Beckett & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Sat 13 Apr 1946	Ipswich Town 2 Watford 2	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 10,111
<i>G.Mee (gk); L.Gallimore & T.J.Jones; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, L.Martindale, W.L.Dunderdale [2 goals], A.Weir & C.J.Drinkwater</i>			
Fri 19 Apr 1946	Watford 2 Clapton Orient 0	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 3,435
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, L.Martindale, W.L.Dunderdale [2 goals], L.V.Robertson & C.J.Drinkwater</i> <i>Following the confusion surrounding Len Robertson's appearance on 30 March, it was reported that for this match Pat Curran played at inside-left. But again the Football League archives and other evidence points to Robertson. (See also the next match.)</i>			
Sat 20 Apr 1946	Watford 0 Mansfield Town 3	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 5,431
<i>G.Mee (gk); R.V.O'Brien & L.Gallimore; P.Gillespie, J.Shaw & R.Gray; W.Davies, W.Beckett, W.L.Dunderdale, L.V.Robertson & C.J.Drinkwater</i> <i>The two Watford local papers reported that Jock Weir was at inside-right and Pat Curran at inside-left, but conflicting and convincing evidence has Beckett and Robertson, respectively, in these positions. Thus, on the occasion of each of Robertson's three guest outings for the club his name was not mentioned in the press, which strongly suggests a deliberate concealment, for whatever reason.</i>			
Mon 22 Apr 1946	Mansfield Town 1 Watford 0	Football League, Division 3 South Cup (North Region)	Attendance: 7,616
<i>G.Mee (gk); L.Gallimore & T.J.Jones; J.Shaw, A.L.Farnen & R.Gray; W.Davies, W.Beckett, W.L.Dunderdale, A.Weir & H.Surtees</i>			

1946/47

Manager

W.Findlay (Matches 1-34)
J.Bray (Matches 35-46)

Final league position

16th of 22 in Football League Division 3 (South)
(3rd tier of English football)

Home-and-away league doubles by Watford

3 - v Aldershot, Bristol Rovers & Reading

Home-and-away league doubles against Watford

2 - by Mansfield Town & Queens Park Rangers

Promoted to Division 2

Cardiff City

Required to seek re-election to the Football League

Norwich City & Mansfield Town
(both were re-elected)

	Played	HOME					AWAY					Points
		W	D	L	For	Ag	W	D	L	For	Ag	
1 Cardiff City	42	18	3	0	60	11	12	3	6	33	19	66
2 Queens Park Rangers	42	15	2	4	42	15	8	9	4	32	25	57
3 Bristol City	42	13	4	4	56	20	7	7	7	38	36	51
4 Swindon Town	42	15	4	2	56	25	4	7	10	28	48	49
5 Walsall	42	11	6	4	42	25	6	6	9	32	34	46
6 Ipswich Town	42	11	5	5	33	21	5	9	7	28	32	46
7 Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic	42	12	4	5	43	20	6	4	11	29	34	44
8 Southend United	42	9	7	5	38	22	8	3	10	33	38	44
9 Reading	42	11	6	4	53	30	5	5	11	30	44	43
10 Port Vale	42	14	4	3	51	28	3	5	13	17	35	43
11 Torquay United	42	11	5	5	33	23	4	7	10	19	38	42
12 Notts County	42	11	4	6	35	19	4	6	11	28	44	40
13 Northampton Town	42	11	5	5	46	33	4	5	12	26	42	40
14 Bristol Rovers	42	9	6	6	34	26	7	2	12	25	43	40
15 Exeter City	42	11	6	4	37	27	4	3	14	23	42	39
16 WATFORD	42	11	4	6	39	27	6	1	14	22	49	39
17 Brighton & Hove Albion	42	8	7	6	31	35	5	5	11	23	37	38
18 Crystal Palace	42	9	7	5	29	19	4	4	13	20	43	37
19 Leyton Orient	42	10	5	6	40	28	2	3	16	14	47	32
20 Aldershot	42	6	7	8	25	26	4	5	12	23	52	32
21 Norwich City	42	6	3	12	38	48	4	5	12	26	52	28
22 Mansfield Town	42	8	5	8	31	38	1	5	15	17	58	28

KEY TO MATCH-BY-MATCH DETAILS

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Competitions: Lge = Football League; FA = FA Cup (1st & 2nd Round)

Red type: away matches **Shaded rows:** FA Cup

Players' names: red type = Watford debut this season; ▲ = final Watford appearance this season

Player columns: G = goalkeeper; X = outfield player; numerals denote goals scored

Goals from penalty kicks: Ross 5 (Matches 3, 12, 13, 15 & 37)

Sent off: None

Appearances - Football League

Goals - Football League

Appearances - FA Cup

Goals - FA Cup

TRIVIA Watford met Clapton Orient at home in Match 3 and Leyton Orient away in Match 27, the opposing club bizarrely having been permitted to change its name in mid-season. The change took effect in October 1946.

	7	7	14	38	1	30	5	35	42	8	1	6	16	32	31	1	18	42	32	6	33	9	7	1	2	13	25		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Beckett, W.	▲																												
Birse, C.D.V.	▲																												
Chase, C.T.																													
Davies, W.																													
Drinkwater, C.J.	▲																												
Dunderdale, W.L.																													
Early, M.	▲																												
Evans, D.R.																													
Farnen, A.L.																													
Gallimore, L.	▲																												
Gibson, F.A.	▲																												
Gillespie, P.	▲																												
Gray, R.	▲																												
Harper, J.J.																													
Harris, W.T.																													
Hopkinson, S.	▲																												
Malpass, S.T.																													
Morgan, L.																													
Rigg, T.																													
Robertson, L.V.	▲																												
Ross, R.	▲																												
Thompson, W.	▲																												
Usher, J.A.G.																													
Weir, J.	▲																												
Williams, K.	▲																												
Wipfler, C.J.	▲																												
Young, G.	▲																												
Own goal																													



Jack Bray was the first Watford manager to be appointed in mid-season

☐ Match 20: Gray spent the remainder of the game in goal after taking over from the injured Rigg with the score at 0-0.

OTHER MATCHES in 1946-47

Sat 17 Aug 1946 **Whites 3 Blues 2** (Public trial match) Attendance: fewer than 2,000

Whites: T.Rigg (gk) (sub: T.Livingstone); G.H.Hunt (sub: -- Booker) & W.T.Harris; J.A.G.Usher (sub: -- Johnson), A.L.Farnen & J.J.Harper; M.Early, L.V.Robertson (sub: -- Borthwell), D.R.Evans [3 goals], W.Beckett & H.Surtees (sub: -- Durrell)

Blues: W.Thompson (gk); L.Morgan (sub: W.F.Cotterill) & L.Gallimore; R.Ross, C.D.V.Birse & R.Gray (sub: -- Carless); F.A.Gibson (sub: -- Bennett), G.Young [1 goal],

W.L.Dunderdale (sub: S.White [1 goal]), C.J.Wipfler & W.Davies

The substitute who replaced Usher was not G.E.Johnson of the professional staff, who played in the following trial match but not this one, but "an RAF lad" of the same surname.

Sat 24 Aug 1946 **Blues 4 Whites 2** (Public trial match) Attendance: fewer than 2,000

Blues: T.Rigg (gk); L.Morgan & L.Gallimore; R.Ross, R.Morris & G.E.Johnson; M.Early [1 goal], L.V.Robertson, W.L.Dunderdale [1 goal], D.R.Evans [2 goals] & W.Davies (sub: C.J.Wipfler)

Whites: W.Thompson (gk); G.H.Hunt & W.T.Harris; J.A.G.Usher (sub: M.Hanton), A.L.Farnen & J.J.Harper; F.A.Gibson, G.Young [1 goal], J.Kinder [1 goal], W.Beckett (sub: -- Bampton) & O.E.Tidman

1949/50

Manager

E.A.Hapgood (Matches 1-37)
R.Gray (Matches 38-47)

Final league position

6th of 22 in Football League Division 3 (South)
(3rd tier of English football)

Home-and-away league doubles by Watford

3 - v Aldershot, Bristol City & Nottingham Forest

Home-and-away league doubles against Watford

2 - by Exeter City & Port Vale

Promoted to Division 2

Notts County

Required to seek re-election to the Football League

Newport County & Millwall (both were re-elected)

	Played	HOME					AWAY					Points
		W	D	L	For	Ag	W	D	L	For	Ag	
1 Notts County	42	17	3	1	60	12	8	5	8	35	38	58
2 Northampton Town	42	12	6	3	43	21	8	5	8	29	29	51
3 Southend United	42	15	4	2	43	15	4	9	8	23	33	51
4 Nottingham Forest	42	13	0	8	37	15	7	9	5	30	24	49
5 Torquay United	42	13	6	2	40	23	6	4	11	26	40	48
6 WATFORD	42	10	6	5	26	13	6	7	8	19	22	45
7 Crystal Palace	42	12	5	4	35	21	3	9	9	20	33	44
8 Brighton & Hove Albion	42	9	8	4	32	24	7	4	10	25	45	44
9 Bristol Rovers	42	12	5	4	34	18	7	0	14	17	33	43
10 Reading	42	15	2	4	48	21	2	6	13	22	43	42
11 Norwich City	42	11	5	5	44	21	5	5	11	21	42	42
12 Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic	42	11	6	4	38	19	5	4	12	19	37	42
13 Port Vale	42	12	6	3	33	13	3	5	13	14	29	41
14 Swindon Town	42	9	7	5	41	30	6	4	11	18	32	41
15 Bristol City	42	12	4	5	38	19	3	6	12	22	42	40
16 Exeter City	42	9	8	4	37	27	5	3	13	26	48	39
17 Ipswich Town	42	9	6	6	36	36	3	5	13	21	50	35
18 Leyton Orient	42	10	6	5	33	30	2	5	14	20	55	35
19 Walsall	42	8	8	5	37	25	1	8	12	24	37	34
20 Aldershot	42	10	5	6	30	16	3	3	15	18	44	34
21 Newport County	42	11	5	5	50	34	2	3	16	17	64	34
22 Millwall	42	11	1	9	39	29	3	3	15	16	34	32

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Goals from penalty kicks: Oliver 2 (Matches 21 & 27)

Sent off: None

Appearances - Football League

Goals - Football League

Appearances - FA Cup

Goals - FA Cup

42	23	7	4	2	35	34	42	34	12	2	15	42	3	37	42	3	1	42	17	23	
5	2	3	1		1			6			2							17	3	4	1
5	4	2			5	3	5	4		1	5		5	5			1	5		5	
1								2		1			2					4			1
Brown, T.G.	Cumner, R.H.	Davies, W.▲	Day, A.▲	Drury, G.B.▲	Eggleston, T.	Fisher, K.D.W.	Harper, J.J.	Hartburn, J.	Hunt, G.H.▲	Jackett, F.	Jones, T.▲	Morton, G.D.	Nolan, P.	Oliver, H.S.	Paton, T.G.	Pilkington, L.	Stockley, K.S.▲	Thomas, D.W.J.	Woodroffe, L.C.	Worthington, E.S.	Own goals

TRIVIA Watford conceded fewer goals than any other club in their Division, but also scored fewest as well. This is one of only two such instances in the history of the Football League and FA Premier League.



No other Watford goalkeeper has matched Geoff Morton's run of eight successive League matches without conceding a goal

1	Sat 20 Aug	Leyton Orient	Lge	0-0	16,522	X	X		X	X								X	X		
2	Thu 25 Aug	Reading	Lge	1-1	12,671	X	X		X	X	X		G	X	X			X	X	X1	
3	Sat 27 Aug	Exeter City	Lge	1-2	11,869	X	X		X	X	X		G	X	X			X	X1	X	
4	Wed 31 Aug	Reading	Lge	0-1	15,670	X		X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X			X	X		
5	Sat 3 Sep	Ipswich Town	Lge	1-1	14,410	X		X1		X	X	X	G	X	X			X	X		
6	Wed 7 Sep	Bournemouth & Boscombe Ath	Lge	0-0	16,172	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X			X	X		
7	Sat 10 Sep	Port Vale	Lge	0-2	10,583	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X			X	X		
8	Thu 15 Sep	Bournemouth & Boscombe Ath	Lge	4-1	7,564	X1			X	X	X		G	X	X			X2	X1	X	
9	Sat 17 Sep	Notts County	Lge	0-1	34,055	X			X	X	X	X	G	X	X			X	X	X	
10	Sat 24 Sep	Southend United	Lge	1-0	11,244	X			X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X1	X		
11	Sat 1 Oct	Bristol Rovers	Lge	2-0	15,345	X			X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X2	X		
12	Sat 8 Oct	Swindon Town	Lge	1-0	14,298	X			X	X	X	X	X1	G	X	X		X	X		
13	Sat 15 Oct	Torquay United	Lge	1-0	13,133	X			X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X1	X		
14	Sat 22 Oct	Aldershot	Lge	1-0	7,932	X			X	X	X	X	X1	G	X	X		X	X		
15	Sat 29 Oct	Nottingham Forest	Lge	1-0	17,467	X			X	X	X	X1	X	G	X	X		X	X		
16	Sat 5 Nov	Northampton Town	Lge	0-0	9,722	X			X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X	X		
17	Sat 12 Nov	Norwich City	Lge	0-0	16,065	X			X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X	X		
18	Sat 19 Nov	Newport County	Lge	3-3	11,884	X			X	X	X	X1		X	G	X	X	X2	X		
19	Sat 26 Nov	Bromley	FA	2-1	8,750	X			X	X	X	X1		X1	G	X	X	X	X		
20	Sat 3 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion	Lge	1-2	9,775	X			X	X	X	X		X	G	X	X	X1	X		
21	Sat 10 Dec	Netherfield	FA	6-0	15,545	X1	X		X	X	X	X1		G	X1	X		X2	X	1	
22	Sat 17 Dec	Leyton Orient	Lge	2-1	9,500	X	X1		X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X	X1		
23	Sat 24 Dec	Exeter City	Lge	1-3	7,565	X	X1		X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X	X		
24	Mon 26 Dec	Crystal Palace	Lge	0-2	15,056	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X	X		
25	Tue 27 Dec	Crystal Palace	Lge	0-0	16,985	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X	X		
26	Sat 31 Dec	Ipswich Town	Lge	6-0	10,638	X1	X		X	X	X1			G	X	X	X	X2	X2		
27	Sat 7 Jan	Preston North End	FA	2-2	25,019	X	X		X	X	X			G	X1	X	X	X1	X		
28	Wed 11 Jan	Preston North End	FA	1-0	27,000	X	X	X		X	X	X		G	X	X		X1	X		
29	Sat 14 Jan	Port Vale	Lge	0-2	17,387	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X			
30	Sat 21 Jan	Notts County	Lge	2-1	17,611	X	X	X1		X	X	X		X	G	X	X	X			1
31	Sat 28 Jan	Manchester United	FA	0-1	32,384	X	X	X		X	X	X		G	X	X		X	X		
32	Sat 4 Feb	Southend United	Lge	1-1	11,736	X1	X	X		X	X	X		G	X	X		X	X		
33	Sat 11 Feb	Walsall	Lge	3-0	10,984	X	X	X1		X	X	X		G	X	X		X2	X		
34	Sat 18 Feb	Bristol Rovers	Lge	0-2	14,591	X	X	X		X	X	X		G	X	X		X	X		
35	Sat 25 Feb	Swindon Town	Lge	1-2	11,214	X	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X1	X		
36	Sat 4 Mar	Torquay United	Lge	1-2	8,556	X	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X1	X		
37	Sat 11 Mar	Aldershot	Lge	1-0	10,981	X1	X		X	X	X	X	X	G	X	X		X			
38	Sat 18 Mar	Nottingham Forest	Lge	1-0	17,368	X			X	X	X	X1		X	G	X	X	X	X		
39	Sat 25 Mar	Northampton Town	Lge	0-0	13,630	X			X	X	X	X		G	X	X	X	X	X		
40	Sat 1 Apr	Norwich City	Lge	1-2	20,014	X	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X1	X		
41	Fri 7 Apr	Millwall	Lge	3-1	26,195	X1	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X1	X1		
42	Sat 8 Apr	Newport County	Lge	0-1	11,729	X	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X	X		
43	Mon 10 Apr	Millwall	Lge	0-0	7,199	X			X	X	X	X		G	X	X		X	X	X	
44	Sat 15 Apr	Bristol City	Lge	1-0	15,066	X	X	X1		X	X	X	X		G	X	X	X	X		
45	Thu 20 Apr	Bristol City	Lge	2-0	8,977	X	X		X1	X	X	X1		G	X	X	X	X			
46	Sat 22 Apr	Brighton & Hove Albion	Lge	0-0	10,845	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		G	X	X	X			
47	Sat 29 Apr	Walsall	Lge	1-1	3,869	X	X		X	X	X	X1		G	X	X	X	X			

TRIVIA Vicarage Road's first top-flight FA Cup visitors for 26 years attracted the ground's first attendance in excess of thirty thousand (Match 31). Watford lost by the only goal of the match after the referee ruled that a Taffy Davies effort which would have given them the lead had not crossed the line. Many believed that he was wrong.

Brown, T.G.	Cumner, R.H.	Davies, W.▲	Day, A.▲	Drury, G.B.▲	Eggleston, T.	Fisher, K.D.W.	Harper, J.J.	Hartburn, J.	Hunt, G.H.▲	Jackett, F.	Jones, T.▲	Morton, G.D.	Nolan, P.	Oliver, H.S.	Paton, T.G.	Pilkington, L.	Stockley, K.S.▲	Thomas, D.W.J.	Woodroffe, L.C.	Worthington, E.S.	Own goals
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OTHER MATCHES in 1949-50

Sat 6 Aug 1949 Blues 3 Whites 2 (Public trial match) Attendance: 3,370

Blues: G.D.Morton (gk); J.J.Harper & H.S.Oliver; T.G.Paton, R.J.Eastway & T.Eggleston; L.Toseland [1 goal], W.J.Hicks, R.Ritchie [1 goal], K.S.Stockley [1 goal] & S.Moorton
Whites: R.Brown (gk); W.T.Harris & B.J.Jones; L.A.Dawes, G.H.Hunt & J.Kelly; A.Day, L.C.Woodroffe [2 goals], D.W.J.Thomas, T.G.Brown & R.H.Cumner

Sat 13 Aug 1949 Probables 3 Possibles 2 (Public trial match) Attendance: 3,493

No line-ups were published. Scorers - **Probables:** R.H.Cumner [1 goal], D.W.J.Thomas [1 goal] & T.Eggleston [1 penalty goal]; **Possibles:** A.Day [1 goal] & E.S.Worthington [1 goal]