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We are particularly anxious for all our supporters to feel that this is an open invitation for them to join in the activities of the Club and indeed new ideas and practical help in this direction will always be welcomed. All enquiries regarding the clubhouse in general should be made to the Hon. Social Club Secretary:

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OUR VISITORS TO-DAY

BANK HOLIDAY, MONDAY 26th May 1975

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TILDURY F.C.

Rothmans Isthmian League Trophy Final, K.O. 3.0 p.m.

CLUB NOTES

We are pleased to welcome to the Croydon Arena this Bank Holiday Monday our old rivals Tilbury in the first leg of the Rothmans Isthmian League Trophy Final. We are particularly pleased to have reached this Final in our first year in the League but it has only been achieved by some close finishes in recent weeks. The teams in our qualifying section were Horshan, Staines and Carshalton, and we only pipped the latter for a place in the Semi-Final on goal average. Both Clubs having obtained 11 points from their six matches with our goal average being 8 against 5 with Carshalton's 9 against 6. This took us into the Seni-Final which we were drawn away at Finchley and we won 1-0 after extra time through a well taken goal by Robin Gonzalez. It was a particularly robust game but the heavy conditions took their toll and we had several ankle injuries but hope that all will be fit to appear to-day.

The second leg of this Competition will be played at Tilbury on Thursday next, K.O. 7.30 p.n., the club coach leaving the Arena at 5.0 p.m. Our Visitors to-day have had a particularly good season and their outstanding achievement has been to win the Essex Senior Cup when they beat Dagenham 3-2 in the final. Our two League games this season have been very much in their favour - they beat us here 3-0 and won the return game at St. Chad's Road 4-0. That, hewever was in the early part of the season when we were struggling near the bottom of the Table, but our improved form since Christmas has enabled us to finish in a very creditable mid-way position.

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CLUB 21ST AMNUAL DINNER

The Club Annual Dinner will be held in the Clubhouse on Saturday, June 7th, 7.0 for 7.30 p.m. Tickets £3.00 each including table wines are now available on application.

CRCYDON ARENA FAYRE - Sunday June 22nd, 1975

If you missed the RAF Dog Demonstration Team at the Cup Final at Wenbley or the Green Jackets Parachute Display at Biggin Hill last week-end, you can see then both at our Annual Fayre with a guaranteed enjoyable afternoon for the whole family. Programmes on sale at the turnstiles 10p. Gates open 1.0 p.m. Official Opening by His Worshipful the Mayor at 2.30 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS to Chris and Jenny Roots on the birth of a baby boy on Wednesday last week.

We cannot close our last programme without a reference to the very creditable performance by our Reserve side this season who finished 7th from top in the strong Suburban League and reached the Semi-Final of the Surrey Intermediate Cup. Our Youth Section have had a magnificent season having won the Surrey County under 16 Trophy and in the Shirley & District League won both the League and Cup at under 17 and 2 other Divisional Trophies. Several of the players from the Youth side have already made their mark in our Reserve side providing us with probably the youngest Reserve side we have fielded for a number of years.

Finally, our thanks to all the helpers on the ground throughout the season from turnstiles to canteen, as well as the Corporation ground staff.

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We have an extremely enterprising Supporters Club arranging a variety of fund raising activities on behalf of the Club.

BINGO

Every Tuesday-Admission 10p including tea. 20 games 15p Every Friday-Admission 10p. 20 games 25p.

These are real family evenings which are run by a very experienced organising committee and they are always glad to welcome new members.

"200" CLUB-A full membership has been maintained since this was started nearly six years ago, for the purpose of raising the funds and in particular to pay for our floodlights. Shares are $12\frac{1}{2}$ per week, with a £5 prize which is increased to £10 every fourth week and £100 every thirteenth week. Results are published weekly in the programme with a monthly mailing list. With the start of a new season we are always pleased to hear from new members. Details from Mr. F.T.D. Tearle ("200" Club Hon. Secretary) 62 Kitchener Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey. Tel: 653 4813, or at the ground.

The Supporters Club have available for sale on the ground pens, key rings, badges-all carrying the Club name and we ask for your support in this fund raising publicity. Have you a Club tie? Attractive design, Club crest, available price £1 from the Hon. Press Secretary.

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HISTORY OF CLUB

1953 Founded when the Croydon Sports Arena was built. Elected into Surrey Senior League. First match v. MALDEN TOWN, September 5th, 1953.

> Official Opening of Ground, October 17th, 1953, by His Worship the Mayor Ald. S. A. Maycock. Our Opponents were PEGASUS, Amateur Cup Holders.

- 1953/54 Surrey County Senior League Charity Cup (Joint Holders, Dorking)
- 1957/58 Surrey Senior League Reserve Section

1958/59 Croydon Football League Division III Champions

- 1959/60 Croydon Football League Division II Champions
- 1960/61 Surrey Senior League Challenge Cup Surrey Senior League Reserve Section Surrey Senior League Reserve Section Challenge Cup Croydon Football League Division I Champions
- 1961/62 Surrey Senior League Reserve Section
- 1962/63 Surrey Senior League Charity Cup
- 1963 Elected to Spartan League
- 1963/64 Spartan League Champions
- 1964 Official Opening of Clubhouse by His Worship the Mayor, Ald. F.T. Cole May 9th, 1964 – our opponents were CRYSTAL PALACE F.C. Elected to Athenian League
- 1965/66 Athenian League Division II Champions
- 1967/68 Athenian League Division I Reserve Section Champions
- 1969/70 Relegated to Athenian League Division II
- 1970 Official Opening of Floodlights, September 23rd, by His Worship the Mayor, Ald. D. M. Weightman, M.A., our opponents were CRYSTAL PALACE F.C.
- 1970/71 Athenian League Division II Runners-up and Promoted to Division I Athenian League Division II Reserve Section League Championship Finalists
- 1971/72 Athenian League Division I Runners-up and Promoted to Premier Division
- 1973/74 Elected into the Rothmans Isthmian League.

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