THE RATFAN DYNAMO

v.

THE GANNET FLYERS

## Saturday 17th April, 1976,

A Grand Charity Football Match for the Vector Macgroon Memorial Trophy

To be held somewhere in the vicinity of Owens Park, Manchester, at about 10.30 a.m.

OFFICIAL SOUVENIR PROGRAMME

# The fan groups that bought you Tynecon and Seacon now bring you A Grand Fannish Football Match Between THE RATFAN DYNAMO

### and

### THE GANNET FLYERS

Play will be conducted according to the rules of John Sholto Douglas, 8th Marquess of Queensberry. SEE THE BIG NAME FANS MAKE BIG FOOLS OF THEMSELVES Watch Robert 'The Cat' Holdstock slink around the goal.

See Clogger Pickersgill save the Dynamo from disaster.

Admire the unsurpassed ball skills of Charnock and wince at his erratic aim.

See Peter Roberts vacillate in the breeze as corner flag, while Fifth Columnist Ian Maule weaves around him.

Watch in bemusement as striker Malcolm Edwards hurtles down the pitch, his long golden locks flying in the breeze, etc.

Be bedazzled by Roy Kettle's midfield creative wizardry. And legs.

AND OPPOSING RATFAN DYNAMO:

See the stout team of Rob 'Tweed Elephant' Jackson lumber onto the pitch.

Admire the nerve of little Ian Williams as he gets lost amongst his opponents' legs.

Watch Harry Bell regret his large double-curry breakfast.

After witnessing this team you'll know what made Newcastle Brown.

PLUS: Big Name Referee, Little Known Linesmen, Nubile Cheerleaders. Bring your own oranges.

#### THE VECTOR MACGROON MEMORIAL TROPHY

VECTOR MACGROON (ne Macgroom) was born the son of a Sunderland boot-maker in 1935. Dubbin must have been in his blood for from an early age football was an abiding love. Too poor to afford a ball and too stupid to wear a pair of his father's boots, Vector used to go out bare-footed and kick pieces of concrete about the cobbled streets of Sunderland. It was good training, both for Vector and for his local chiropodist, and at 13 he was discovered and signed by a local team, the Millet Street Academicals. Dubbed 'The Man With Feet of Iron' Vector became a potent force in the attack and something akin to a homicidal maniac in defence. He was just beginning to attract the attention of the major league scouts when an ingrowing toe-nail ended his career. Destitute and stupid, Vector turned to his other great childhood love, 'that crazy Jules Verne stuff'. His first novel. THE BIG BALL OF LEATHER was a witty scientifiction satire concerning the first Pan-Galactic Football League Cup, which some say postdated the authoritarian regime of the Weimar Republic. It was snapped up by Scion Books and thus began a relationship which only ended 473 books later when Vector's ingrowing toe-nail turned septic and cut short his career, his life, and his foot. at the tragically early age of 17.

The Vector Macgroon Memorial Trophy is dedicated to the memory of this great footballer, science fiction author and fan, and has been specially designed in gannet-trimmed rat-skin by Kinky NoveltyWare Ltd of Hong Kong.

The presentation will be made by an internationally famous science fiction superstar. Or possibly boring old Pete Weston yet again.

PATRONS ARE REQUESTED NOT TO SOIL THE PITCH AND TO REFRAIN FROM THROWING EMBARRASSING OBJECTS DURING THE LAP OF HONOUR.