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Ron Jones (aged 96 in 2013) was a prisoner of war in Auschwitz.

He said, "I was at Auschwitz from October 1943 to January 1945." Ron said that prisoners worked 6 days a week and on the 7th, they had a day off with recreational activities. He said, "On Sundays we got to play football and I was the goalkeeper for the Welsh prisoner of war XI. The Red Cross had brought us out a set of four football kits, Welsh, English, Scottish and Irish. It was no holiday camp, mind."

Ron Jones describes his experience, "Life in the [Auschwitz] camp wasn't that bad really. There was the humiliation and the lack of food but on the whole life wasn't too bad. The Germans, contrary to what a lot of people think, were pretty good to us, on the whole. But it was the march that was terrible, I could still see it when I went back to Auschwitz, I couldn't sleep with the memories.

*The lack of food at wars-end and the March to protect them further back into Germany, were both results of the Allies bombing campaigns and eventual closing-in, with their ground forces.*

