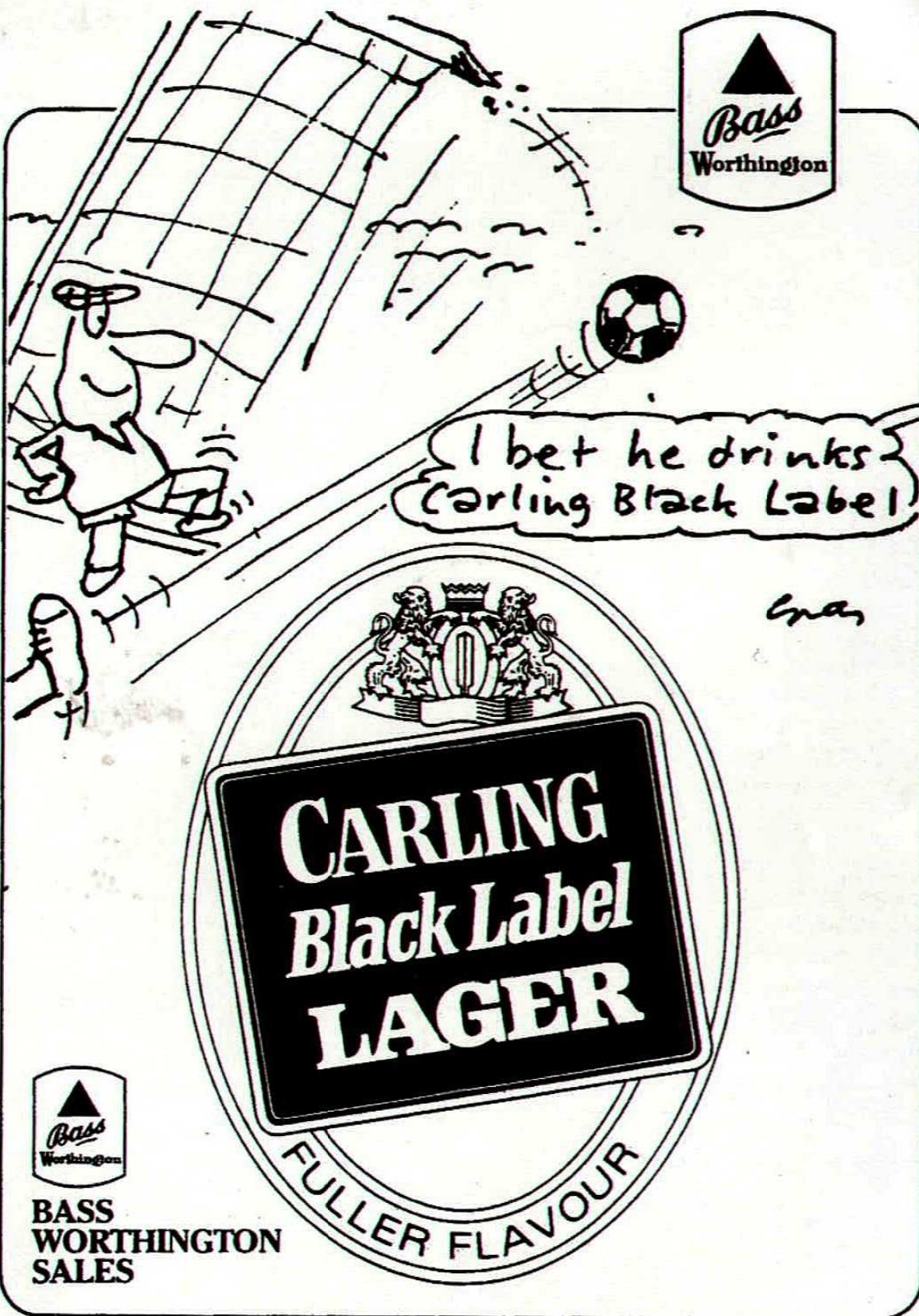


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WELCOME TO MOLINEUX

Hello and welcome to Molineux this afternoon for the visit of Ossie Ardilles's Swindon Town. The Robins are currently enjoying an excellent run in the league and have reached the highest position in the club's history as they sit in third place behind Sheffield United and Leeds.

We will certainly have our work cut out this afternoon as Swindon arrive at Molineux having won their last four away games and are unbeaten in their last five league matches.

However, they have never won at Molineux, their three visits here, which have all been for cup matches, all ended with Wolves victorious.

Our departure from the F.A. Cup means that the league is all important now and it will be an important test of our promotion aspirations this afternoon. We are only seven points behind Swindon and both teams have proved how a few wins can dramatically improve your position.

Believe or not the Robins had a worse start to the season than we did and back at the end of September they were only four places off the bottom, and going into the Christmas period they were only one point ahead of us.

Swindon had a bit of bad luck in the Littlewoods Cup in midweek having led 2-0 at the Dell at half-time. Unfortunately for them the Saints pulled level in the second half and went on to win 4-2 in extra time.

Although he didn't score in that game Swindon's Duncan Shearer is one of the top marksmen in the second division at the moment with seventeen goals to his credit, only one behind Bully. So he'll be one to watch this afternoon.

All in all we should be in for a great game and hopefully the right result for Wolves, but I wouldn't bet on it!

Bully once again made the home supporters eat their words with a late goal at Valley Parade last week. Opposition fans, aware of his goalscoring reputation show their disdain for the fact that he hasn't registered on the scoreboard with the usual chant that adds four letters to his surname. But that seems to be just the stimulus he needs to find the net.

As the F.A. Cup fourth round takes place on January 27th, our next match is away at Plymouth on February 3rd followed by the visit of sixth placed Ipswich Town on February 10th.



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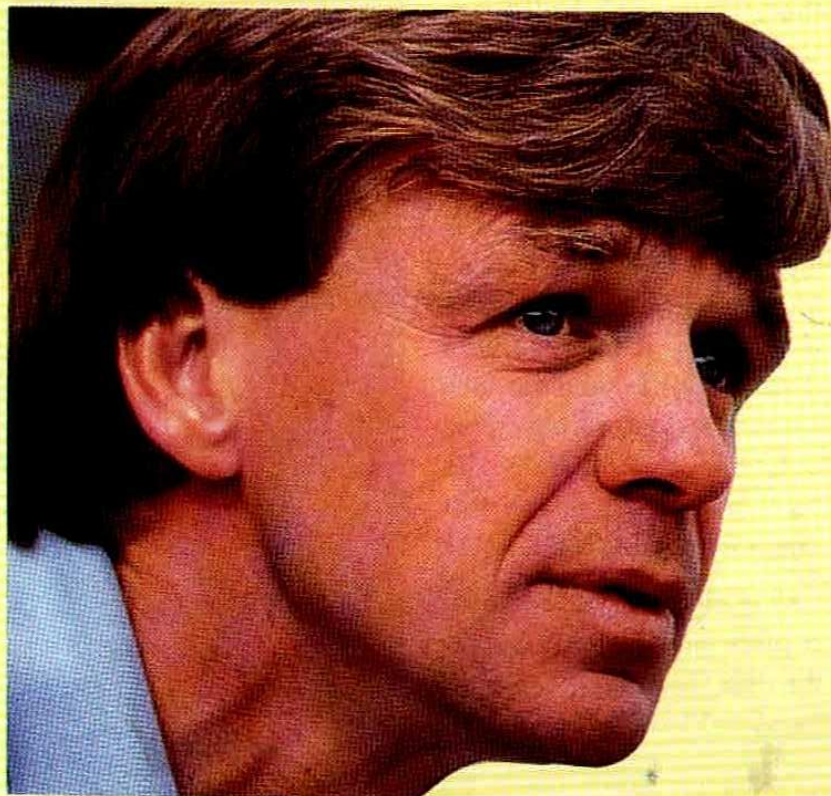
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T U R N E R T A L K S

"I firmly believe that where you finish in the league, is where you deserve to be over a long season."



Our exit from the F.A. Cup here a fortnight ago means that, for the rest of the season, our sole aim has to be promotion, either through a direct promotion place or by way of the play-offs. But it's going to be hard, as I've said on many occasions there are some very good sides in the second division.

If we are to put ourselves in contention we are going to have to show more consistency than we did in the first half of the season. I firmly believe that where you finish in the league, is where you deserve to be over a long season. The team that finish as champions have been the best side over nine months. However, you always need a little bit of luck and a period of stability

where you don't have to make changes through injury or or suspension always helps.

On Tuesday I made the long journey down to The Dell to see today's visitors Swindon play Southampton in the Littlewoods Cup. And I was rewarded with one of the best games I've seen for some time, with some excellent football, particularly from Swindon in the first half. They were only five minutes away from putting out the side that are fourth in the first division. Looking back to the start of the season when we visited the County Ground, Swindon outplayed us that day and we need to improve on that performance if we are to gain revenge today.

I am one of four local managers who've been invited to a regional meeting of referees set up to help improve the understanding with officials. I am always happy to talk to referees and have visited most Referees Associations in the area. And whilst I always tell them that I appreciate how difficult their job is, especially with some teams who continually moan at the ref and appeal throughout the game, the criticism that is most often levelled at them is their lack of consistency. Too often we see players get away with heavy challenges and then see a player booked for a similar, or often less serious offence. In my mind there is room for a big improvement.

I realise that it will have been a great disappointment to the fans that we're out of the F.A. Cup, especially as we were leading with only seventeen minutes left. We should at least have earned a draw, then anything could have happened in the replay, as Port Vale proved at Derby. But we threw it away so it was not to be. However, I hope that the disappointment will not diminish the intensity and fervour with which you support the team. There is a determination at the club to keep going and build on our success. I hope you will stay with us as you have throughout our rise from the fourth division. We've always been impressed with your support, especially when things weren't going well. I'm sure that it will continue.

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MOLINEWS

RECORD GATE RECEIPTS

One consolation, if you can call it that, from our recent F.A. Cup defeat by Sheffield Wednesday, was the fact that on the day the 23,800 crowd realised record gate receipts amounting to £110,263.

REPRINT OF THE WOLVES ENCYCLOPAEDIA

Due to the tremendous interest shown by Wolves fans there is to be a reprint of the book: 'The Wolves - an Encyclopaedia 1877 to 1989' which was compiled by statistician Tony Matthews. Already some 5,000 have been sold and with many more supporters still urgently seeking a copy of this excellent work, the Paper Plane Publishing Company of Cradley Heath, have arranged for second edition print, and these will be available in the very near future.



BUTLER RETURNS

Radio WM's Tony Butler was recently involved in some controversy with Wolves but was welcomed back to Molineux for the F.A. Cup tie with Sheffield Wednesday - as a guest of the match sponsors Goodyear. The 'Butler Prediction' had been for a Wolves win - so we now know why we lost!

MAN OF THE MATCH

While Keith Downing won the Wolves 'Man of the Match' award against Sheffield Wednesday, the match sponsors Goodyear made a special 'Man of the Match' award to Ron Atkinson for his touchline performance! In fact, the award - a magnum of champagne - was for the Sheffield players travelling back on the team coach, a gesture much appreciated by Atkinson who said he doesn't always find the same sort of sporting instinct at other clubs.



Our picture shows 'Big Ron' receiving his bubbly from Colin Bennett Sales Manager of Goodyear and Wolves Commercial Manager Keith Butler

WOLVES' LEAGUE RECORD OVER THE LAST DECADE

(From 12th January 1980 to 30th December 1989 inclusive)

Venue	P	W	D	L	For	Agst
Home	220	105	45	70	333	249
Away	218	58	62	98	247	363
Total	438	163	107	168	580	612

Of those 580 goals scored, England star Steve Bull registered 99, his co-partner up front Andy Mutch claimed 64, Mel Eves struck 37, Scotsman Andy Gray grabbed 30, Wayne Clarke netted 27, John Richards weighed in with 26, Irish winger Robbie Dennison and midfielder Andy Thompson notched 20 apiece, Matt Holmes registered 13, Jon Purdie 12, and Andy King and Welshman Nigel Vaughan 10 each.

The table shown here does not include the four play-off matches at the end of season 1986-87 when Wolves scored a further two goals, Robert Kelly and Bully the marksmen. So, in effect, you could rightly say that Steve bagged exactly a 'ton' - and he played in less than matches 150 matches

CAR PHONES

National Car Phones and Communications recently announced a 2 year sponsorship deal with Wolves. Steve Bull, Andy Mutch and Robbie Dennison were presented with phones by Bob Pelenski, Director of Operations, based at the company's head office in Wolverhampton.



6,000th LEAGUE GOAL In 11 - AGAIN!

Keith Downing's 11th minute goal for Wolves against Bournemouth at Molineux on 30th December last was, in fact, the 6,000th scored by Wolves in League Football (excluding the play-offs). They thus joined Midland neighbours Aston Villa in reaching this

unique milestone, and by coincidence the Villa hit their 6,000th League goal on the 17th October 1987, Mark Walters finding the net - in the 11th minute of their home Second Division game with, yes, Bournemouth! Thanks to Brian Soley of Stourbridge for spotting that fascinating fact.

AWAY TRAVEL & TICKET INFORMATION

Wolves travel to Home Park on 3rd February to take on Plymouth Argyle in a Barclays League Division Two match (kick-off 3.00pm).

Fans going by road are asked to follow this route:

Take M6, then M5 due south, going as far as the A38 Plymouth by-pass. Proceed through to Tavistock Road (A386) and then branch left towards Plymouth, taking A386 before turning right into Outland Road (A3041) for Home Park. Distance approx. 190 miles.

There is ample parking room on a free car park near to ground.

The nearest railway station is Plymouth (Tel. 0752 21300).

TICKET INFORMATION

(Tel: Mel Bird on 0902 25899 for further information)

There are no seats available for the Plymouth game. Wolves supporters will be able to pay on the day and stand on the terraces, price £3.50.

STOKE CITY v. WOLVES at The Victoria Ground on 17th February is an ALL-TICKET MATCH, and tickets will be available to Wolves supporters from next Wednesday, 24th January, priced at £7.00 seats and £4.00 terraces.

Season ticket holders and members only to apply - and please remember that if you do not have a ticket, then DO NOT TRAVEL TO STOKE, as tickets will not be sold on the day of the game, by order of the local Police.

ALL TICKET GAMES AT MOLINEUX

The following three Barclays League Division Two fixtures at Molineux have been made ALL-TICKET MATCHES: Tuesday, 20th March v. West Bromwich Albion; Saturday, 31st March v. Leeds United and Easter Saturday 14th April v. Newcastle United.

Tickets for the Albion game (kick-off 7.30pm) will be on sale from 19th February; for the Leeds clash they will be available from Monday 8th March and for the Newcastle match they will be on sale from Monday 2nd April.

Prices for each match are as follows:

NEWS OF FORMER WOLVES

Striker Wayne Clarke, who moved from Everton to Leicester City five months ago, has now joined Manchester City in an exchange deal involving David Oldfield.

Full-back Geoff Lomax, who was on loan to Wolves from Manchester City in late 1985 (making five League appearances in the gold and black strip) has been signed by GM Vauxhall Conference League side Morecambe on a temporary basis from nearby Chorley.

Midfielder Mick Gooding (Reading) and defender Phil Chard (Northampton Town) will both be participating in next week's 4th round F.A. Cup ties for their respective clubs, following exceptionally good victories in the last round, Reading 2-1 over Sunderland and the Cobblers 1-0 v. Coventry City.

Steve Stout has been transferred from Grimsby Town to Lincoln City and Mick Matthews has switched from Stockport County to Scarborough. Mick, incidentally, is close to reaching the personal milestone of 300 League appearances in his career.

Goalkeeper Scott Barrett, who made 35 appearances for Wolves (1984-86) has been loaned out by Stoke City to Colchester United whose new manager is the former Ipswich and England full-back Mick Mills, who was sacked by Stoke before Christmas.

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Total Entries: 3,292

Value: £1,646.00

First Dividend: £370.35 - DF 763

Mr. J. Milton (Wolverhampton) Agent No. 120

Second Dividend: £164.60 - BB 487

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Week No. 42

Drawn by Dave Meads on Tuesday, 16th January 1990.

Total Entries: 3,308

Value: £1,654.00

First Dividend: £372.15 - BI 947

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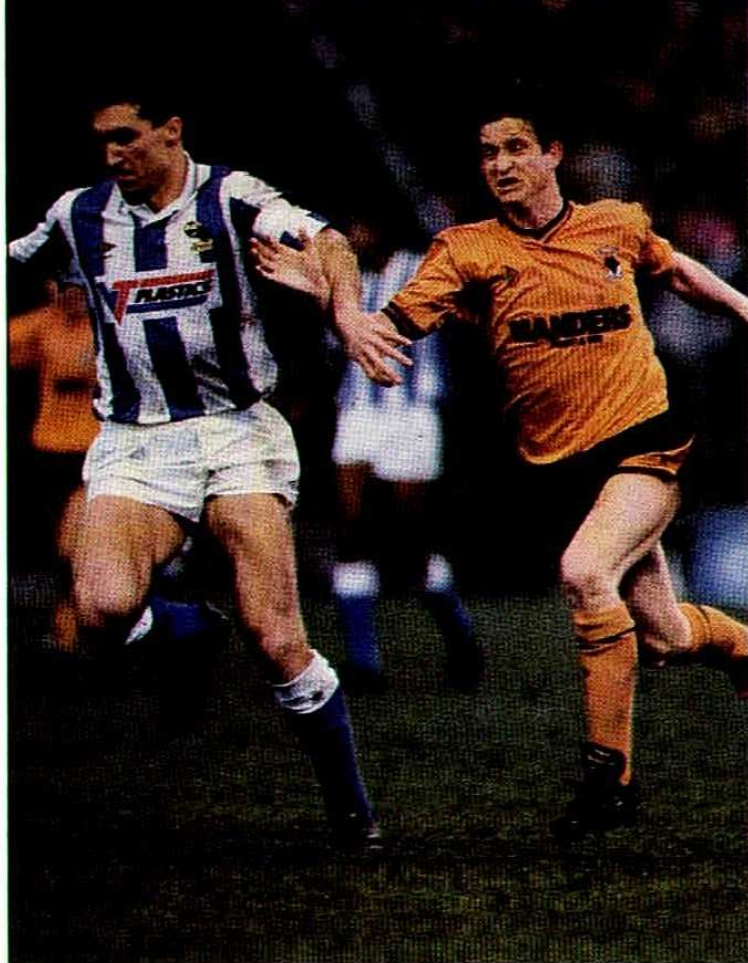
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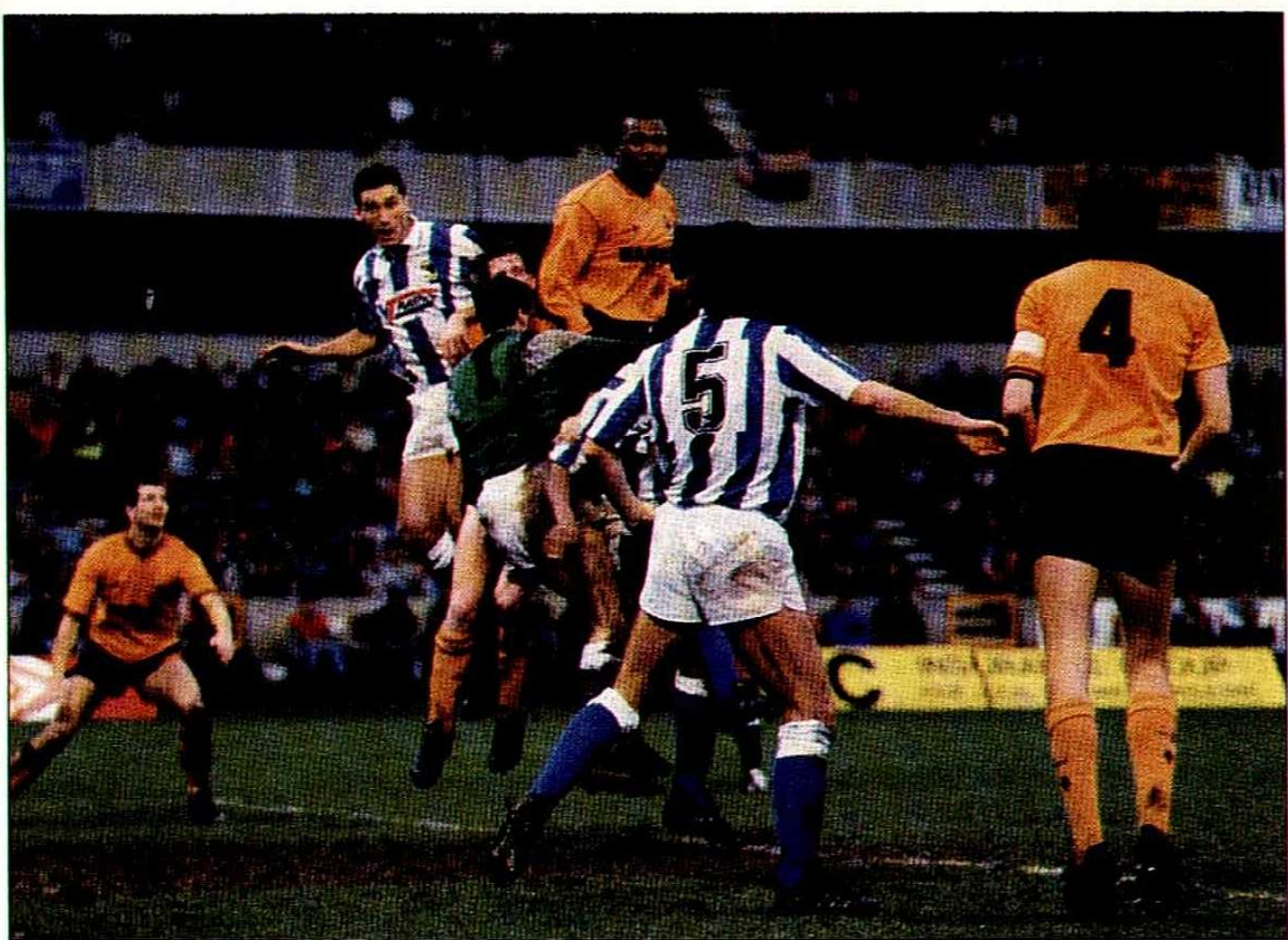
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(or did he use
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says cheerio to
a "passing"
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VISITORS

SWINDON TOWN

Swindon Town have never played in the First Division of the Football League, but they will be going flat out from now until the end of the season, certainly in an effort to qualify for the play-offs in which they failed last term, losing out to Crystal Palace.

Manager Ossie Ardiles, in his first year in charge of a League club, has done exceptionally well at The County Ground and although his side crashed out of the F.A. Cup at Bristol City a fortnight ago, he is still confident that the Robins can push for a top six place, and therefore have a realistic chance of gaining Premier League status for the first time in their near 110 year history.

Ardiles will choose his 13 for this afternoon's game with Wolves from the following:

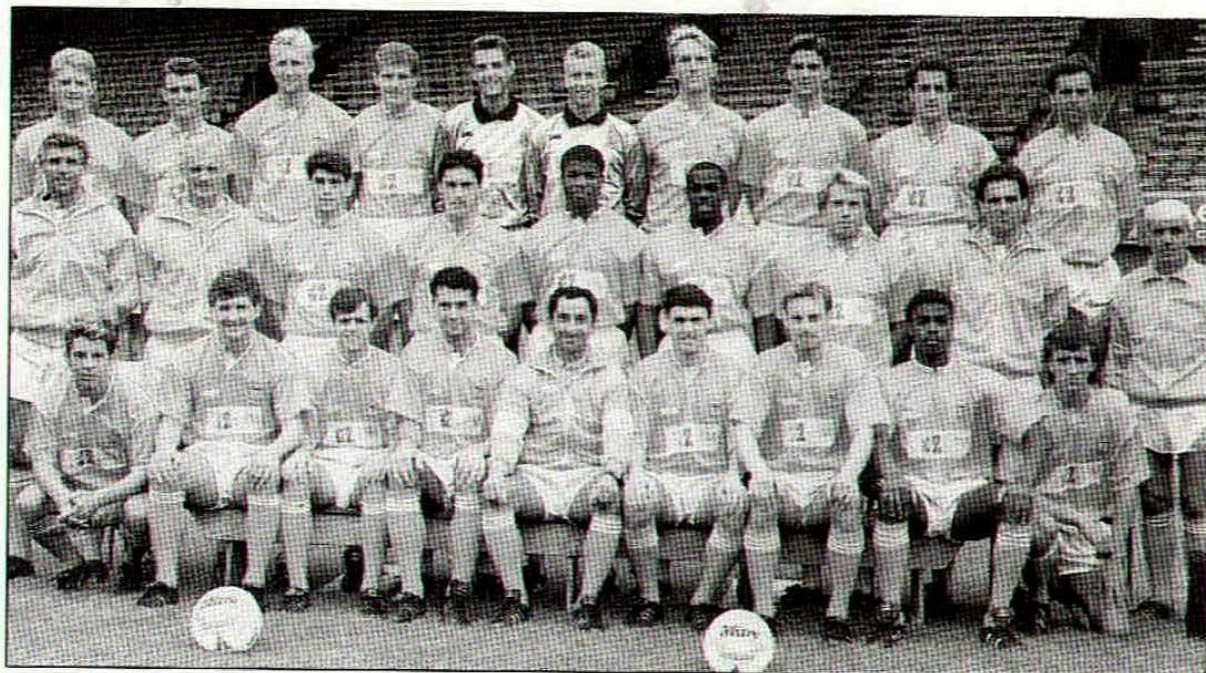
FRASER DIGBY - goalkeeper, aged 22, highly rated, capped three times by England at Under 21 level, and who was previously an apprentice with Manchester United. Has now chalked up over 150 appearances for the Robins.

DAVE HOCKADAY - full-back, aged 32, who has been with the club since August 1983 when he left Blackpool, for whom he scored 26 goals in 179 outings, mainly as a winger. He was converted into a full-back by Swindon and has now reached almost 300 appearances in that position.

PAUL BODIN - full-back, aged 23, a native of Cardiff, who joined Town from the now defunct Newport County in March 1988, having earlier served with Cardiff City and Bath City. He has topped the milestone of 150 senior appearances.

ALAN McLOUGHLIN - midfield, aged 22, from Manchester, and a former apprentice of Old Trafford who signed for Swindon on a free transfer in August 1986. Played 27 games on loan with Torquay United in seasons 1986-87 and 1987-88.

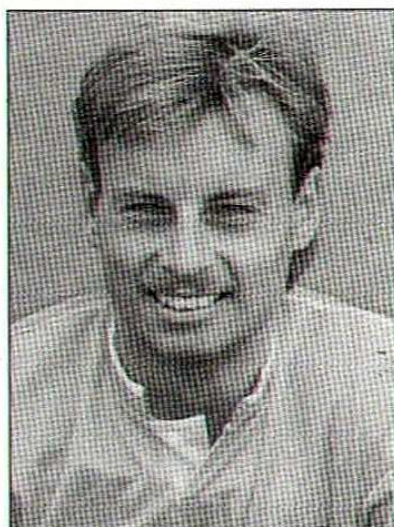
COLIN CALDERWOOD - Scottish central defender, aged 24, and the club captain. Transferred to Swindon from Mansfield in



Back row (l to r) - Phil King, Dave Hockaday, John Cornwell, Duncan Shearer, Fraser Digby, Nicky Hammond, Tim Parkin (now Port Vale), Adrian Viveash, Steve White, Tony Glavin. **Middle row** - Chic Bates (assistant-manager), John Trollope (Youth team coach), Tommy Jones, Ross McLaren, Jon Gittens, Neil Tomlinson, Leigh Barnard, Andy Rowland (coach), Kevin Morris (physio). **Front row** - Paul Hunt, Steve Foley, Mark Jones, Colin Calderwood, Ossie Ardiles (manager), Alan McLoughlin, Paul Bodin, Fitzroy Simpson and Nicky Summerbee.

June 1985 after making 110 appearances for the Stags. He has now amassed in excess of 200 for the Robins.

JON GITTENS - defender, aged 25, from Moseley, Birmingham, who played eighteen League games for Southampton before joining Swindon for a Tribunal-set fee of £40,000 in July 1987. Started his career with Paget Rangers and last season he accumulated 51 disciplinary points!



PAUL BODIN

STEVE FOLEY - midfield, aged 27, a Liverpoolian, signed by Swindon from Sheffield United for £35,000 in July 1987. He started off at Anfield, had a spell on loan with Fulham, scored five goals in 40 games for Grimsby and then hit 18 in 76 appearances for the Blades. He has now played over 100 times for Swindon.

SHAUN CLOSE - forward, aged 23, signed earlier this season from AFC Bournemouth, having previously served with Tottenham (9 League games).

TOM JONES - midfield,

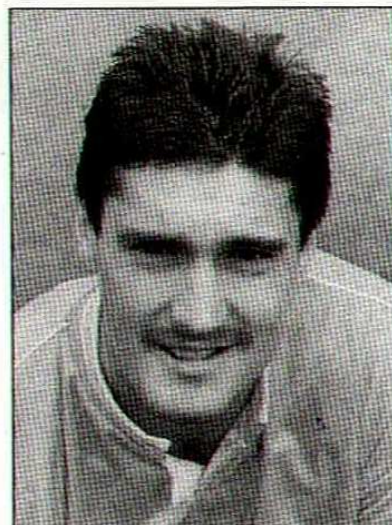
aged 25, born Aldershot but signed by Swindon from Aberdeen at the start of last season. Was once an apprentice with Chelsea and also assisted Farnborough Town and Weymouth.

DUNCAN SHEARER - striker, aged 27, a native of Fort William, who was bought from Huddersfield in June 1988 for £250,000 after netting 47 goals in less than 100 games for the Terriers. He began his career with Chelsea, who spotted his talents while he was with Inverness Clachnacuddin. He is Swindon's top marksman so far this season.

STEVE WHITE - striker, aged 31, who has served and scored for four different clubs: 52 goals in 172 games for Bristol Rovers (two spells), 30 in 79 for Luton (two spells), 12 in 31 for Charlton and over 40 in some 150 outings for Swindon. He has also been on loan to Lincoln (3 apps.) and joined the Robins from the Bristol club on a free transfer in June 1986.

ROSS McLAREN - midfield/defender, aged 27, from Edinburgh, who netted 22 goals in 179 games for Shrewsbury and five in 144 for Derby County prior to arriving at The County Ground in July 1988 for a fee of £150,000. He was a member of the P.F.A. Division Two side whilst with the Rams.

FITZROY SIMPSON - midfield; aged 19, born Bradford-on-Avon, who has progressed through Swindon's youth and reserve team ranks - and made his

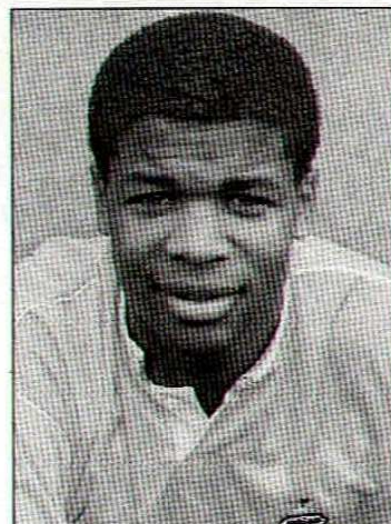


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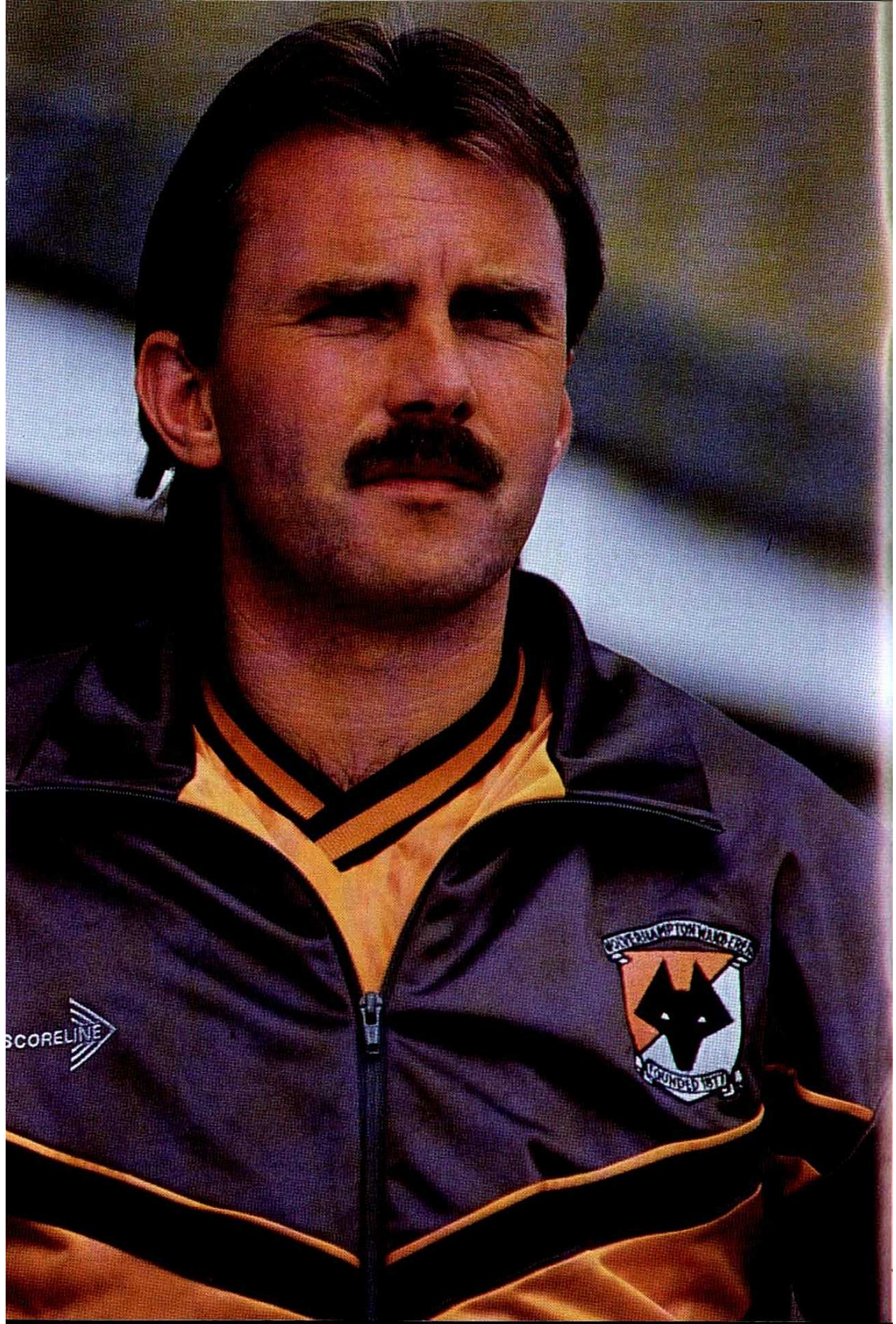
debut for the club thirteen months ago - coming on for 30 seconds against Shrewsbury.

JOHN CORNWELL - midfield, aged 25, from Bethnal Green, who struck 39 goals in 225 outings for Leyton Orient and just one in 37 appearances for Newcastle, before teaming up with Swindon in December 1988 for £60,000.

PAUL HUNT - striker, aged 18, a home-produced youngster, who was a consistent scorer in Swindon's youth and reserve teams over the last two seasons.



JON GITTENS



IN MY VIEW

PAUL DARBY

With Wolves having suffered more than their fair share of injuries this season, Paul Darby's treatment room has been a busy place.

The role of the physiotherapist has become a vital part of the modern game, with many more aspects than the ability to wield a wet sponge. Paul sees the job of the modern physio falling into three categories.

"Firstly there is the recognition and treatment of injuries on the field. You have to ensure that if a player continues to play after an injury he won't do any further damage, and of course there is the vital aspect of trying to ensure there is no loss of life on the pitch. This has been highlighted in the media in recent years with a number of players requiring urgent attention after being concussed and swallowing their tongues. The job bears a heavy responsibility - it's no good anymore running out to every incident with a wet sponge and hoping that cold water will do the trick.

"Secondly, if players are unfortunate enough to get an injury that is going to keep them out for a while, then it is the physio's responsibility to ensure that during their treatment they maintain their general level of fitness. Pre-season training gives players a certain core level of fitness, which is kept up by constant training and playing throughout the season. Once a player is injured you have to make sure that he exercises in different ways to maintain that fitness. In addition to the problem of keeping him fit, you also have to try and help him overcome the depression associated with being injured. Exercise is addictive and players often find it difficult to cope with not being able to play or train and that can cause psychological problems.

"Thirdly, my job is about getting players back from injury in the shortest and safest time possible, at the same time trying to make sure that there is no recurrence."

When key players are recovering from injury does Paul ever feel any pressure to bring them back too early?

"We're lucky here that the boss lets you make the decision on the information given to you and there is no pressure to bring back players before they're ready. In fact there's probably more pressure from the players themselves who are always keen to get back into the action. We

have to use two criteria to judge whether a player is ready or not. Firstly, if he starts the game will he finish it? Secondly, if he plays will he make the injury worse? If the answer to those questions is yes then he won't start. However there are times when a calculated risk is taken of playing a player who might not last the full 90 minutes. But as far as pressure to play goes, that always comes from the players, so you have to be able to recognise when they are hiding a problem from you."

Being on the treatment end of football injuries, does the Wolves physio feel that the game has become more violent in recent years?

"I think the problem is that the game is so quick and competitive now, that fouls often look far worse than they are. Ironically the more serious injuries often come from the most innocuous challenges. You might cringe at a tackle, but the players involved get up and run off, then something happens like the other night when Nicky Clarke, who wasn't being challenged, passed the ball and collapsed and has had to go into hospital to have his knee reconstructed."

Paul, who used to work for the Football Association, has been a Wolves fan since he was young and remembers with affection the sides of the early seventies in particular the influence of Mike Bailey and Kenny Hibbitt in midfield.

"It's no good anymore running out to every incident with a wet sponge and hoping that cold water will do the trick"

"As far as players from other teams I always liked Tony Currie because he was unpredictable and Steve Heighway because of his ability to take people on."

Having travelled to see Bully play for England Paul has also been impressed by some of the current internationals, in particular Chris Waddle: "He was superb against Italy". And he describes Liverpool's Ronnie Whelan as "the complete footballer. He's impressed me every time I've seen him."

Looking at the current second division

Paul observes that there are a number of good quality strikers around.

"Marco Gabbiadini impressed me very much, and then there's players like Quinn, Shearer and Goodman the standard of second division forwards is very high. As a team though, I'd say that Swindon are the best side we've faced this season."

Having had to handle visiting youth international squads in his job with the F.A. Paul has maintained an interest in continental football, but he agrees with the views of many people in the English game, that fans in this country would not be interested in the 'European style'.

"They want to see goalmouth action and plenty of it. Continental football is all about possession and they'll happily pass it backwards and forwards across the back four rather than risk losing the ball. I don't think our type of football is inferior, although we can't measure ourselves against them because of the ban, it's quite encouraging to see that our managers and coaches regularly go abroad and are very successful."

Would Paul like to try his hand abroad as a physio with a European club?

"No thanks, I'm quite happy here."

Paul's commitment is first and foremost to Wolves, but he is also committed to increasing the standard of care given to people suffering sports injuries in general. And to that end he has, along with Graham Smith of Rangers and Keith Walden of Spurs, set up 'The Society of Sports Therapists'.

"Currently there is no recognised qualification for sports therapists," he explains, "what we are doing is setting up a body that can give a professional identity for sports therapists, provide a validated educational qualification and continue to further the knowledge of it's members. This will hopefully lead to an increase in the standard of care provided."

"The society won't just be open to football physios, but to anyone working in the field, such as Orthopaedic Surgeons and private physiotherapists and it will hopefully lead to sports therapists being regarded a little more seriously."

Certainly the modern physio has moved a long way from the cloth cap and the sponge, and it's encouraging that at Wolves we have a man who is helping to further that development.

TWO'S COMPANY

DIVISION 2 NEWS

Last weekend a total of 42 goals were scored in the 12 Barclays League Division Two fixtures - and topping the bill, certainly for the amount of goals netted in one match - was the Newcastle United v. Leicester City clash at St. James's Park.

A crowd of almost 21,000 saw this nine-goal thriller, won 5-4 by United - this after City had held a 4-2 lead with 13 minutes remaining.

It was 2-2 at the interval following efforts by Mark McGhee (5 mins.) and Mick Quinn (45) for the Magpies and Tommy Wright (19) and Steve Walsh (37) for City. Then two further goals for David Pleat's side by £1 million-rated midfielder Gary McAllister (54 mins.) and on loan striker Kevin Campbell (73) seemed to have given the Foxes all three points. But urged on by their fanatical fans United stormed back and took the honours in a frantic finish which saw McGhee and Quinn both score again along with Scot John Gallacher, McGhee's match-winner coming with three minutes left.

In a highly competitive and entertaining match eight miles away, at The Hawthorns, in-form Port Vale, conquerors of Derby County in the 3rd round of the F.A. Cup, registered their third away League win of the season by beating West Brom 3-2. Vale led 2-0 at half-time thanks to a grand strike from former Baggies man Nicky Cross and an individual effort by Darren Beckford. But Don Goodman and Tony Ford pulled Albion level before Gary Porter, with his first goal of 1989-90 - a stunning 30 yarder - won the game for John Rudge's men.

At the top of the table, Leeds United bounced back after their shock home Cup defeat by Ipswich, to take all three points at Blackburn, their first victory at Ewood Park in 24 years. Rovers took an early lead through Simon Garner in 95 seconds, but roared on by 4,000 travelling supporters, Howard Wilkinson's team went from strength to strength and ended up winners by 2-1 with goals by new-signing Lee Chapman and skipper Gordon Strachan. Rovers did have the opportunity to take a point at the death, but centre-half David May



Lee Chapman

fluffed a penalty - Rovers' second miss from the spot in four days, following Frank Stapleton's boob against Villa in the cup replay. Leeds are now four points ahead of Sheffield United at the head of the division.

Sheffield United were held 1-1 at Portman Road by Ipswich Town. Brian Deane (29 mins.) opened the scoring for the Blades, but substitute David Lowe equalised for Ipswich with four minutes left. United's Michael Lake broke a leg in this game and will miss the rest of the season.

Swindon Town, our visitors to Molineux this afternoon, who have never yet played in the top flight, are now in third place after a series of marvellous League results, including last week's 3-2 home triumph over Oldham. Steve



Mick Hazard

White, who helped Luton Town win the Second Division title in 1982, scored twice for the Robins with hard-working Alan McLoughlin grabbing the other, while Scott McGarvey (an ex Wolf) and Micky Adams, a 1987 F.A. Cup winner with Coventry, replying for the Latics.

AFC Bournemouth recorded the best away win in the division, beating Hull 4-1. On target were Holmes, Lawrence, Shearer and Blissett. Payton hit a consolation penalty for the Tigers, who now stand next to bottom, above Stoke City. Hull had two players sent off in the last eight minutes.

Stoke lost their relegation battle with Portsmouth 3-2 at The Victoria Ground and thus it turned out to be a sad day all round for Potters' boss Alan Ball, who almost a year earlier had been sacked as Fratton Park's manager. Micky Hazard, Pompey's new signing, tapped home their second goal after in-form Guy Whittingham had shaken Alan Ball's side with an opener. Lee Sandford, signed from Portsmouth, pulled a goal back for City who have now lost 11 of their 25 matches, and are four points adrift of Hull.

A goal by captain Mickey Lewis earned improving Oxford United all three points at Watford and Middlesbrough slammed Sunderland 3-0 at Ayresome Park in the North East derby played last Sunday. On target yet again for the 'Boro was Bernie Slaven. The other marksmen were Peter Davenport and Gary Parkinson. As the players were going down the tunnel after the game, Sunderland's full-back Paul Hardyman elbowed 'Boro's Mark Proctor in the face and referee Ian Hendrick later confirmed that he would be reporting Hardyman to the F.A. for violent conduct. It could mean a three-match ban and/or a hefty fine!

The remaining games all ended in draws: Bradford City 1 Wolves 1 (Steve Bull equalising late on for the Wanderers); Brighton 1 Barnsley 1 (again another late, late point-saver, this time for Albion by Mark Barham) and Plymouth 1 West Ham 1 - Tommy Tynan netting for Argyle and Jimmy Quinn, on his debut, levelling things up for the Hammers.

BRADFORD C. WOLVES JAN

ON A HEAVY BUMMER PITCH ROBBO SHOWED WAY RAD FIRST-HALF FREESTYLE IN AVOIDING THE SLAMMERS AROUND HIM. THE BALL WAS

FEELING MORE COY, & PREFERRED TO AVOID THE HEAVY ACTION ALTOGETHER.



BOTH DEFENCES FOUND THE GOING SLOW AND NEEDED MIDFIELD TO HELP THEM OUT. LUCKILY, CAPTAIN BELLAMY'S ABERRATION—WHEN HE GOOSE-STEPPED A BACK-HEEL INTO THE BRADFORD ATTACK—WENT UNPUNISHED.



WOLVES WONDERED WHAT THE DICKENS WAS GOING ON WHEN OLIVER GAVE A NEW TWIST TO THE STORY BY ARTFULLY DODGING VENUS AND CROSSING FOR LEONARD TO STEAL IN AT THE FAR POST.



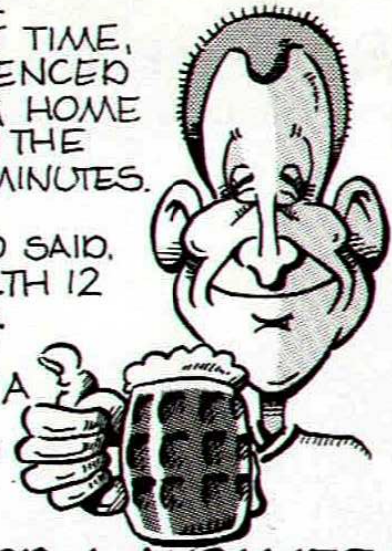
BRADFORD WERE FITTINGLY LABELLED FOR THE CATALOGUE OF NEEDLES AND WIND-UPS ON OFFER BETWEEN THEIR CENTRE-BACK TRIO AND WOLVES' TWIN STRIKE FORCE AS BOTH SIDES FAILED TO DELIVER THE GOODS. REFEREE NIXON CHOSE TO GIVE HIS ORDERS VERBALLY RATHER THAN WITH CARDS.



BOTH SIDES HAVING DUG TRENCHES IN MIDFIELD, PSYCHO EMERGED AS WOLVES' MAJOR OFFENSIVE, ALTHOUGH IT WAS FLOYD STREETE WHO WAS BOOKED FOR GOING OVER THE TOP.



NOT FOR THE FIRST TIME, BULLY SILENCED THE SMUG HOME CROWD IN THE CLOSING MINUTES. AS MARK AIZLEWOOD SAID, "HE'S WORTH 12 POINTS A SEASON." (THEY PAY A LOT FOR MOILD UP THERE!)



BRADFORD 1 WOLVES 1

A close-up portrait of a young man with dark hair and a mustache, wearing an orange football jersey with a black V-neck collar. The background is dark and out of focus.

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AFTER THE FOLD

by CHARLIE BAMFORTH

Well, well, well, John Barnes. Well, well.

Yes. I know we've been having it a bit cold recently - but gloves and nylons? Dear me. This is a man's game, after all is said and done.

I'm told that Barnsey wore the leg warmers for medical reasons - something to do with a muscle strain or somesuch. But I ask you - what's wrong with a good old fashioned bandage?

And what were the gloves for? Were they for medical reasons, too? Perhaps the fleet-footed England winger bites his finger nails?

What is the world coming to? Come back all is forgiven all ye Nobby Stiles, ye Frank Barsons, ye Eddie Clamps. And was there really a time when a player named Cullis spent all Saturday afternoon up in the North East knocking hell out of a leather ball with his forehead, to be taken, protesting, off a homeward train at Sheffield to spend several days in hospital with concussion?

Ah! Those were the days. Men were men - and some of the women were men too!

Having said that, there always has been the occasional 'wet' - literally so in some instances. No one here today will have seen Aston Villa's Charlie Arrowsmith splash up and down the wing under cover of an umbrella generously offered by a spectator.

I feel sure too, that there has been at least one player to have taken the pitch in an overcoat - or have I been dreaming?

Thank goodness, though, that our wonderful game is for the most part free from excessive safety garb so beloved of less manly pastimes.

Take cricket, for instance and, for once, I speak with some authority, having partaken plentifully of the willow and leather over the years. I'm staggered that performers even at my modest level feel the need to kit themselves out with more protectives than a polyphallic poseur: they've crash helmets, visors, and more padding than Twiggy's

brassiere. And there's not a bouncer in sight. No, sir, the only device which is de rigeur is a box - my goodness, yes, for to be caught by a riser in the strategic parts is marginally worse than being compelled to watch the Baggies.

Look at American footballers if you want a real giggle at the lengths some sportsmen go to to over-protect themselves. And, sadly, even those hard nuts from the world of Rugby League seem to feel compelled to puff up their shoulders with grid-iron style padding. The average second row forward these days resembles Frankenstein's monster in hoops. But surely football is another matter. Yes, it's physical and dangerous and some protection is essential - players, for instance, should be made through the laws of the game to wear shinpads. But gloves and nylons? No, NO. Whatever next? Inflatable goalkeepers' jerseys to soften the landing and even spread the custodian out and render him a more formidable obstacle? (Is Nigel Spink already wearing them?)

Perhaps shorts could be more intimately cut to afford protection and warmth, like cyclists' pants?

And as an alternative to shinpads perhaps some modern lightweight plastic could be moulded into football socks to give all round protection.

But gloves and nylons? NO.

Tell me, did it cross your mind? Those "nylons" were they tights - or was he wearing a suspender belt.

**Men were
men -
and some
of the
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too !**



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Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale

January Sale items to clear.

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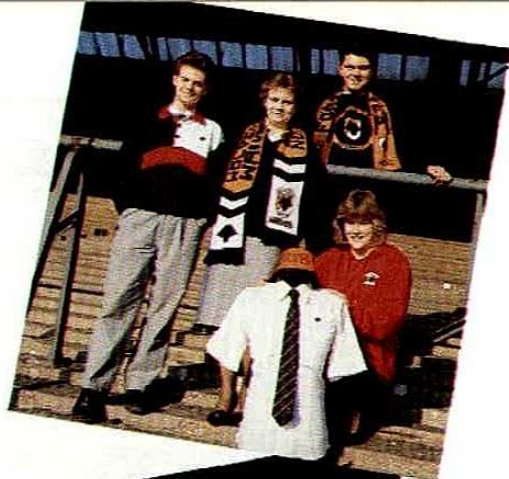
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WOLVES BOOKS The Wolves Encyclopaedia £15.95; (out of stock) The Only Way is Up - Graham Turner's Diary £4.95.

AND DON'T FORGET The new book Bully! Authorised biography of Steve Bull is out now.



WOLVERHAMPTON

GOALDEN YEARS

No team in the history of League Football has scored a century of goals in each of four consecutive seasons in Division One - except the Wolves!

The Wanderers, under the leadership of Stan Cullis, rattled in a grand total of 422, commencing in August 1957 and finishing in April 1961.

They netted 103 in season 1957-58, claimed 110 the following season, weighed in with 106 in 1959-60 and rounded off by slamming 103 in 1960-61.

In that magnificent four year-spell, the League Championship was won twice (in 1958 and 1959); the F.A. Cup once (in 1960), and also, in 1960 and 1961 respectively, Wolves finished 2nd and 3rd in the First Division table, missing the coveted double in 1960 by the narrowest of margins (finishing just one point behind Burnley in the League).

Centre-forward Jimmy Murray, who took over the No. 9 shirt in some style from Roy Swinbourne in 1955-56, struck home 102 of those 422 goals, topping the club's scoring charts in each of the first three seasons with counts of 29, 21 and 29 again, and then he

finished second, behind Ted Farmer (28 to 23) in 1960-61.

England schemer Peter Broadbent notched a creditable 62 with totals of 17, 20, 14 and 11. Midget winger Norman Deeley registered one less with tallies of 23, 17, 14 and seven, and Bobby Mason claimed 39, including two lots of 13 in 1958-59 and 1959-60.

During this terrific period the Wolves played 168 First Division matches. They won 105 of them and only lost 37, 12 in 1959-60.

Their best single victory was a 9-0 thrashing of Fulham at Molineux in September 1959 when Deeley netted a fourtimer. Portsmouth were whipped 7-0 in December 1958 and six goals were put past Bolton (August 1957), Leeds United (February 1959), Arsenal (the following month), Manchester City (at Maine Road in September 1959), Burnley (the eventual League champions, in March 1960) and Chelsea (December 1960).

In fact, Wolves only failed to score in 13 of those 168 matches, 4 in 1959-60 and five in 1960-61.

Wolves, around this period of some 30 years ago, were quite something and the fans flocked to

Molineux in their thousands. It might come as a surprise to some people when I say that the lowest League crowd over this four year span was that of just 20,270 for the visit of Sheffield Wednesday on 22nd October 1960. Some 26,033 supporters witnessed the derby game with Aston Villa in September 1957 and there were barely 22,000 present to see Wolves play Birmingham City in December 1959.

But generally the average turnout when Wolves were at home topped the 35,000 mark - and the best attendances were those of 56,283 v. Spurs in April 1960, 55,418 v. Albion in November 1957 and 52,829 v. Spurs in October 1960.

One interesting point is that Wolves scored 94 goals in 1956-57 which in effect brought their overall total of League goals up to 516 in just five complete seasons - an average of 103 per 42 games. And taking it a stage further, their players scored a goal every 38 and a half minutes of action. Those were the days - the "Goalden" Years of Wolverhampton Wanderers Football Club.

T.M.



Back row - left to right: Eddie Clamp, Jimmy Murray, Gerry Harris, Malcolm Finlayson, Bill Slater, Ron Flowers and Eddie Stuart. Front row - Bobby Mason, Norman Deeley, Billy Wright, manager Stan Cullis with the 1959 League Championship trophy, Peter Broadbent, Micky Lill and Jimmy Mullen.

HATHERTON WOLVES

World Cup Flight

Deposits are now being taken for the England v Holland World Cup Match on June 16th 1990 in Sardinia. Arrangements for the flight have been finalised and include a £60.00 seat ticket. Deposits and bookings are now being taken in the Hatherton Arms (Matchdays only) or contact Steve Plant on 0384 295687 between 6.00pm and 9.00 pm only.

England v Brazil

Bookings are now being taken for this game on Wednesday 28th March 1990. The game is certain to be a sellout so please book as soon as possible and we will purchase your match ticket.

For further details call in at The Hatherton Arms or contact Mike Morris on 0384 295078.

Miss Hatherton Wolves 1990

Entries are now being taken for this year's competition. For further details please contact Dave Quarrel on 0902 727837.

Mr Hatherton Wolves 1990

To be held on the same night as the Ladies competition. Entrants should be single, pleasant, good looking and intelligent, therefore committee members need not apply!

Away Travel

v. Plymouth Argyle on 3rd February 1990. Fare £7 Depart 8.30

The above departure time applies to coaches leaving Faulkland Street only. Booking can be made in advance by contacting Tony Plimmer on 0902 730510.

To book your place on the Dudley/Kingswinford Coach and for departure times please contact Mick Morris on 0384 295078.

Birthday Celebration

On Saturday February 10th Hatherton Wolves Supporters Club is 2 years old. To celebrate this we will be holding a special prize draw. Further details will appear in our Birthday notes for the Ipswich game on February 10th. Thank you for your continued and much appreciated support.

LETTER

Dear Sir

S.O.C.C.E.R. stands for the Staple Organiser of Charity Collectable Events Regionally and is a post created to co-ordinate charity fundraising by the WMPCC. We raise money by staging Auctions of Football Programmes and Memorabilia. Each time an Auction is held a new charity is selected. Our current efforts are being directed towards the OVERLEY HALL SCHOOL FOR PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN (at Uppington, near Telford).

In addition to items donated by WMPCC members themselves we are asking Club Shops, Dealers and other Football Orientated organisations if they would be willing to donate items to be auctioned for the benefit of the charity selected. All donations received will be publicised in the clubs magazine (The Rusty Staple) which is published on a quarterly basis.

If you would be kind enough to help the WMPCC raise money for charity, please send any donations to me at the above address. All donations, large or small, will be most gratefully received.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

Yours in Sport,

Dave Lowe, 34 First Avenue, Ketley Bank, Telford, Shropshire, TF2 0AJ.

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SUPPORTERS NEWS

off 3pm). Coaches Depart 12 o'clock.
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Tuesday January 30th 1990 Departing 3.30 pm. Executive Coach Adults £6.50

Juniors £6.00. STD Coach Adults £6.00

Juniors £5.50

Scunthorpe v Wolves (Reserve Game)

Wednesday February 28th 1990

Coaches will be taking Wolves fans to see the New Stadium, and then watch our reserve team play.

Please state executive or STD coaches when booking on W-ton (0902) 700374, or 330322, or W-hall 635488. Bookings also taken in the hut on matchdays.

Membership cards must be carried at all times.

Junior Five A Side

The official supporters Club are still looking for youngsters to represent them in the area finals of the Midland Junior 5-A-Side Competition, sponsored by Hilton Hotels and Coca Cola. Age Groups required are, Under 10, Under 12, Under 14, Under 16. Please give your name and age to Dave Haddon on W-Hall 635488, Muriel Bates, W-Ton (0902) 330322, or Ron Westwood Sedgley 61039 as soon as possible or call in the hut. You will be notified of the dates as soon as we receive them.

The Midland Area Seven-A-Side on the first Sunday in August has already two teams entered. We are hoping this event will be held at Aston University.

Miss Wolves 1990-91

The Miss Wolves Disco will be sometime in March, already we've had lots of enquiries. The winner will represent Wolves in the finals at Kidderminster on Saturday 19th May. The winners at Kidderminster will receive Holiday vouchers, sponsored by Pontins. Please ring Muriel Bates 0902 330322 for details

Night Out at Bernard Manning's Club

Booking are already being taken for this trip which takes place on Saturday April 7th. Coaches will be leaving North Bank Car Park at 6 p.m.

Brain of Wolves Quiz Wednesday April 11th

Come on Wolves fans start getting your teams together to enter in this Annual Quiz, questions only on Wolves the 1990 Quiz takes place at the MEB Club, St. Mark's Road, Wolverhampton.

Entry Forms in the hut, or ring Dave Haddon

on Willenhall 635488 for details

Weekend Away in Skegness

April 14th - 16th

Fancy a weekend away at Easter.

Coaches will be leaving The North Bank Car Park at 6 p.m. after the Newcastle United game on Saturday 14th April, to Skegness; then on the Monday take in the Hull City game. Prices and details will be available as soon as they have been confirmed.

Rothmans Quiz

The first round of the Reg Abbott Trophy takes place, first week in February. Wolves have been drawn at home against Walsall. I hope our quiz team have been doing plenty of swatting.

Flying High

Everyones name and plane ticket number has been sent to the Guinness Book of Records, we are now waiting to have confirmation of the Record.

World Cup Finals Italy 1990

After some of the silly prices we have been quoted, we are in the process of sorting out our own hotels in Sardinia. When the all-in package price is received we will send brochures out. Please ring usual numbers for details.

Membership

The membership fee to join the official supporters club:-

Full Members - £4.00. Senior Citizens - £2.00. Junior L1/18 - £2.00

Photographs taken every match day in the hut with a security camera, or ring, Albert Bates on Wolverhampton 330322 for details to join the family supporters club.

In the Hut on match day Home, Away and Old Progs, Hire Video's, Purchase Lottery, Golden Goal Tickets, Join The Wolves Pool, Book All Away Coach Travel, Plenty of Scarves, Badges, Supporters Tops, Bugs, Books, Key Rings Etc.

Thank You

Albert and Muriel Bates would like to thank all Wolves Fans who flew to Newcastle for their lovely letters and thank you cards, bouquets, etc and the collection, at the moment we have bought a telephone seat table, which stands in the hall. Everyone who knocks our door knows it was a gift off Wolves Fans. Thanks also to Tango, Steve, Helen, Matt and Darren for the bouquet, whiskey and organising the walk around the pitch, it came as a complete surprise.

Thank you all once again.

Albert & Muriel Bates



This is the Official Wolves Supporters Club soccer team which drew 4-4 with Brighton Supporters Club FC at Hove last month.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

WITH JOHN HENDLEY

Any semi-final is a nerve racking occasion for supporters of a team and although a two legged tie with the home advantage in the second leg slightly eased the butterflies, the trip to Swindon's County ground in 1980 was made with the conversation of being dominated by the fact that although Swindon were a third division side we shouldn't think that the game would be a pushover. Our theories were proven. Before the game, in the company of several friends including one Mel Bird of ticket office fame, we made our way to the local Indian restaurant and sampled a delight known as the Kyber Pass Special. Mel took gleeful pleasure in confusing the poor waiters by ordering in a thick black country accent and telling them jokes which they laughed at but then departed the table shaking their heads and looking blankly at one another.

The match was a keenly fought one. Swindon with their lethal force of Andy Rowland and Alan Mayes and Wolves with favourites Gray and Richards

leading the charge. But it was Swindon who drew first blood. A Miller throw in found Chris Kamara and his cross was headed home from 6 yards by Andy Rowland. Wolves

fought back with some excellent midfield work from Carr, Hibbitt and Daniel. In the 26th minute Roy Carter brought John Richards down, Dave Thomas chipped the free kick to George Berry who headed on for Peter Daniel to drive home the equaliser from 10 yards. That was the way that the game stayed with a draw looking a fair and likely result until 3 minutes from time when Ray McHale's low through ball found the Wolves defence square and there was Alan Mayes to notch the winner. Mel, cheery as ever entertained us back to base although I must confess to being a little subdued. My fears were groundless for in the return a 3-1 victory saw us to Wembley.

Swindon's programme for the 1st leg contained a 16 page supplement called programme plus. The programme itself consisted of 24 pages and included an interesting article on whether money buys success. Unusually a printed page of Wolves players autographs, articles on Willie Carr, Emyln Hughes and Andy Gray.

A worthy addition for any collector.



The front cover was so uninspiring that we have reproduced the Wolves autograph sheet from inside instead.



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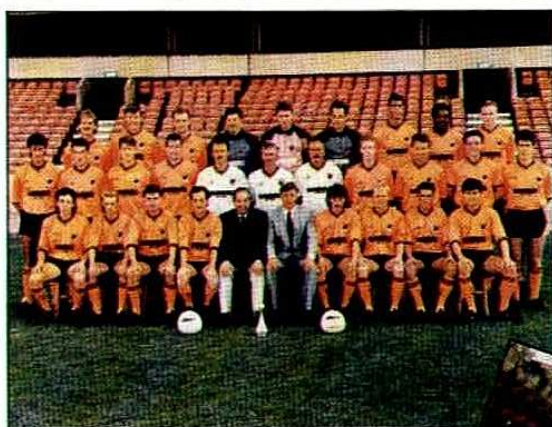
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SECRET HITCH

'Keeper Tony Lange surprised one or two people last week. When one of the lads asked him in the changing room if he fancied going out that evening he had to decline.

"I'm sorry," he replied, "I'd like to come with you but I'm getting married." Which has to qualify as best excuse of the season. Congratulations.

WATCH OUT

Poor Keith Downing doesn't know what time it is at the moment. Sadly the tough little midfielder lost his brand new Swiss watch, a Christmas present from his girlfriend Claire. Psycho thinks he may have lost it at training but if anyone should find an Alfex Quartz watch with a leather strap then you will make a certain Mr Downing very happy after all there's no present like the time!

POOL CLUB

The arrival of Paul Cook at Molineux meant that Andy Murch had another soul mate in the dressing room. The two 'scousers are both keen Liverpool fans and like to see the Reds play whenever they get the chance. What with youth player Colin Taylor, another confirmed 'Pool fan, they should be able to get a minibus to games soon.

SUITCASE MAN

Robert Kelly started a game for the first time since

Tales From the Boot Room

his knee operation when he played against West Brom in the 2-2 draw at the Hawthorns. However he didn't last the full 90 minutes as he came off with 8 minutes left. Mind you he was so tired it took him 10 minutes to get to the tunnel. In fact some of the lads thought he was carrying a suitcase because of his stooped walk!

BYE BYE

Several players joined Mick Gooding for a farewell drink last week as the former Wolves midfielder moved out of his house in the area to take up residence in Reading. Although everyone was sorry to see Mick leave his departure did have one advantage for Paul Cook. He's moved into Mick's former house.

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WOLF CUBS



In the Wolves-AFC Bournemouth programme of the 30th December last, we set all you 'Wolf Cubs' a mini quiz, giving you the opportunity to win a special prize. The first letters of the answers to the six questions posed, when sorted, spelled out the surname of a former Wolves defender. And first out of the hat with a correct entry was Master D. Lloyd of 3 Helford Close, Worcester, WR5 1NB, who stated that the player was WRIGHT (Billy), solved by taking the first letters of these six answers: 1 - Hartlepool, 2 - Thompson, 3 - Ipswich, 4 - Williams, 5 - Rosario and 6 - Geoff. Congratulations on your success, Master Lloyd,

your prize of two football books is on its way to you right now.

Letter

Thankyou very much for letting me be the mascot for the cup tie with Sheffield Wednesday. It was good fun and I enjoyed every minute. My favourite moments were meeting Steve Bull and being able to lead the Wolves out onto the pitch in front of nearly 24,000 people. Thankyou very much again.

Yours sincerely
Jonathan Green

Wombrook Dale, Wombourne, Wolverhampton.

RESERVES

& YOUTH

A hat-trick of wins - that was what Wolves' intermediate and reserve teams achieved early in January to begin 1990 in style - following on from what their seniors had done at Newcastle on New Year's day!

The Youth team won their home F.A. Youth Cup tie with Leeds United 3-2 (as reported in the programme v. Sheffield Wednesday); the Pontins League team defeated Middlesbrough 2-0 at Molineux to remain in touch with the leaders, heading for promotion, and the Midland Purity League side pipped Chesterfield 2-1.

That victory by the youngsters against the 'Spireites' was played on 6th January, and in a tough contest, in which defenders held the upper hand for most of the time, Wolves just about deserved to take the honours against a battling Chesterfield side who never gave an inch. Hot-shot Colin Taylor and Andrew Harnett netted for Wolves who fielded this team:

Wilson; Butler, Leeding; Reid, Fennell, Evans; Lewis, Woodbine, Taylor, Harnett and Garner. Subs: W. Jones (for Lewis) and Morgan (for Garner).

A fair sized crowd numbering 467 witnessed Wolves' first Pontins League fixture of the New Year at Molineux on 10th January when Middlesbrough were the visitors.

Wolves won a very competitive game 2-0 thanks to two well-taken goals by Paul McLoughlin and Colin Taylor, who seems to score everytime he plays

football these days! Three players who have been troubled by injury of late - veteran defender Ally Robertson and midfielders Robert Kelly and Andy Thompson - all came through the game without any ill effects.

A delighted Garry Pendrey, coach to the reserves, said afterwards: "We did enough to win and that's what this game is all about. Sometimes you play well and lose, occasionally you are awful and avoid defeat. But it all balances out in the end and we are now well in with a shout of regaining our place in the First Division which we vacated back in 1986."

Wolves put out this team against 'Boro:

Lange; Leeding, Clarke; P. Jones, Westley, Robertson; Thompson, Green, Harnett, McLoughlin and Taylor. Subs: R. Kelly (for Green) and W. Jones (for Clarke).

Forthcoming Pontins League Division Two fixtures:

24th Jan. v. Sheffield Wednesday (h)

31st Jan. v. Blackpool (h)

6th Feb. v. Burnley (a)

14th Feb. v. Mansfield Town (a)

21st Feb. v. Preston N. E. (h)

28th Feb. v. Scunthorpe U. (a)

All matches at Molineux kick-off at 7.00pm.

In the next round of the F.A. Youth Cup Wolves have been drawn against Tottenham Hotspur, the tie to be played at White Hart Lane on Tuesday 30th January 1990, kick-off 7.30pm.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION 2

AUGUST		Venue	Score	Att'ce	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
19	Middlesbrough	A	2-4	21,727	Lange	Bellamy	Venus	Robertson	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson (1)	Gooding	Bull	Mutch (1)	Dennison	Downing 2s	Paskin
22	Lincoln (LCC1/1)	H	1-0	11,071	Lange	Downing	Venus	Robertson	Westley (1)	Vaughan	Thompson	Gooding	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Bellamy	Paskin
26	Bradford City	H	1-1	13,784	Lange	Chard	Venus	Robertson	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson	Gooding	Bull (1)	Mutch	Downing	Chard 11s	McLaughlin
30	Lincoln (LCC1/2)	A	2-0	6,733	Lange	Chard	Venus	Robertson	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson	Gooding	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison (1)	Bellamy	Paskin
SEPTEMBER																	
3	Swindon Town	A	1-3	10,312	Lange	Chard	Venus	Robertson	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson (1)	Gooding	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Bellamy	Paskin
9	Stoke City	H	0-0	15,659	Lange	Chard	Venus	Robertson	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson	Gooding	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Bellamy	Paskin
12	Brighton	H	2-4	12,338	Lange	Bellamy	Venus	Robertson	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson	Gooding	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Bellamy	Paskin
16	Ipswich Town	A	3-1	14,506	Kendall	Bellamy (1)	Venus	Streete	Clarke	Vaughan	Bennett	Gooding	Paskin	Mutch (2)	Dennison	Chard	Stoke
20	Aston Villa (LC 2/1)	A	1-2	27,414	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Streete	Clarke	Vaughan	Bennett	Gooding	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Downing 6s	Paskin 10s
23	Plymouth Argyle	H	1-0	13,762	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Streete	Clarke	Vaughan	Bennett	Gooding	Bull (2)	Mutch	Dennison	Downing 6s	Paskin 10s
26	Barnsley	A	2-2	10,161	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Streete	Clarke	Vaughan	Bennett	Gooding	Bull (2)	Mutch	Dennison	Downing 6s	McLaughlin
30	Portsmouth	H	5-0	13,677	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Streete	Clarke	Vaughan	Bennett	Gooding	Bull (2)	Mutch	Dennison (2)	Downing 6s	Chard 6s
OCTOBER																	
4	Aston Villa (LC 2/2)	H	1-1	22,754	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Streete	Westley	Vaughan	Bennett	Gooding	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Downing 4s	Chard 7s
7	Sheffield United	H	1-2*	19,328	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Streete	Westley	Vaughan	Chard	Gooding	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Paskin	Downing
15	West Bromwich A.	H	2-1	21,316	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Streete	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson	Gooding	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Downing 6s	Paskin
17	Port Vale	H	2-0	18,123	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Chard	Westley	Vaughan	Thompson	Downing	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Paskin	McLaughlin
21	Leeds United	A	0-1	28,204	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Gooding	Bull	Mutch (1)	Dennison	Paskin 7s	Vaughan 8s
28	Oldham Athletic	H	1-1	15,278	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Gooding	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Paskin	Vaughan
NOVEMBER																	
1	Leicester City	A	0-0	16,551	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Paskin	Vaughan
4	West Ham United	H	1-0	22,231	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Paskin	Vaughan
7	Sheffield United (2C 1)	A	0-1	4,926	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Bull	Mutch	Dennison	Paskin 5s	Vaughan 6s
11	Sunderland	A	1-1	20,680	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Bull	Mutch (1)	Dennison	Paskin	Jones
18	Blackburn Rovers (1)	H	1-2	14,695	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Paskin (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Vaughan 6s	McLaughlin 2s
25	Watford	A	1-3	12,736	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Paskin	Mutch (1)	Dennison	Jones 8s	McLaughlin
DECEMBER																	
2	Middlesbrough	H	2-0	12,357	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook (1)	Paskin	Mutch	Dennison	Gooding	McLaughlin 10s
9	Brighton (2)	A	1-1	9,817	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Bull	Mutch	Dennison (1)	Bennett	Paskin
16	Oxford United	A	2-2	7,825	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Bull	Mutch	Dennison (1)	Bennett	Paskin
20	Hull City	H	1-2	19,524	Kendall	Bellamy	Venus	Bellamy	Westley	Downing	Thompson	Cook	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Downing 2s	Paskin 7s
30	AFC Bournemouth	H	3-1	15,421	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Downing	Streete	Paskin	Cook	Bull	Mutch (1)	Dennison	Jones	McLaughlin
JANUARY																	
1	Newcastle United	A	4-1	22,054	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Downing	Streete	Paskin	Cook	Bull (4)	Mutch	Dennison	Jones 5s	McLaughlin 11s
6	Sheffield Wednesday FAC 3	H	1-2	23,800	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Downing	Streete	Paskin	Cook	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	Jones 7s	McLaughlin
13	Bradford City	A	1-1	10,680	Kendall	Bennett	Venus	Bellamy	Downing	Streete	P. Jones	Cook	Bull (1)	Mutch	Dennison	McLaughlin 8s	Thompson
FEBRUARY																	
3	Plymouth Argyle	A															
10	Ipswich Town	A															
17	Stoke City (5)	H															
24	Watford	H															
MARCH																	
3	Blackburn Rovers	A															
6	Portsmouth	A															
10	Barnsley (6)	H															
17	Sheffield United	H															
20	West Bromwich A.	H															
24	Port Vale	H															
31	Leeds United	H															
APRIL																	
6	Oldham Athletic (SF)	A															
10	Leicester City	H															
14	Newcastle United	H															
16	Hull City	A															
21	Oxford United	H															
24	AFC Bournemouth	H															
28	Sunderland	H															
MAY																	
5	West Ham United	A															

* Hull - Own goal

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Home		Away		Pts	
P	W D L	P	W D L	A	Pts
Leeds United	26 10 3 4	Leeds United	26 10 3 4	19 19 14	52
Sheff Utd	26 7 7 3	Sheff Utd	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Swindon	26 7 7 3	Swindon	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Sunderland	26 7 7 3	Sunderland	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Oldham A.	26 7 7 3	Oldham A.	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Ipswich	26 7 7 3	Ipswich	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Newcastle	26 7 7 3	Newcastle	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Wolves	26 7 7 3	Wolves	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Oxford Utd	26 7 7 3	Oxford Utd	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
West Ham	26 7 7 3	West Ham	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Blackburn	26 7 7 3	Blackburn	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Port Vale	26 7 7 3	Port Vale	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Walsley	26 7 7 3	Walsley	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Bournemouth	26 7 7 3	Bournemouth	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Leicester	26 7 7 3	Leicester	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Plymouth A.	26 7 7 3	Plymouth A.	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Middlesbrough	26 7 7 3	Middlesbrough	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Albion	26 7 7 3	Albion	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Brighton	26 7 7 3	Brighton	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Portsmouth	26 7 7 3	Portsmouth	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Bradford	26 7 7 3	Bradford	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Barnsley	26 7 7 3	Barnsley	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Hull City	26 7 7 3	Hull City	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43
Stoke City	26 7 7 3	Stoke City	26 7 7 3	18 14 48	43

DIVISION 2 FACTS & FIGURES

Top Scores:	
W.B.A 7 Barnsley 0 11-11-89	
Swindon T. 6 Stoke City 0 4-11-89	
West Ham 5 Sunderland 0 18-10-89	
Blackburn 5 Barnsley 0 30-9-89	
Wolves 5 Portsmouth 0 30-9-89	
Port Vale 5 Ipswich 0 1-1-90	
Leading Marksmen (L & C)	
23 - Mick Quinn (Newcastle)	
21 - Bernie Slaven (Middlesbrough)	
18 - Steve Bull (Wolves)	
17 - Marco Gabbiadini (Sunderland)	
17 - Duncan Shearer (Swindon)	
Highest Attendances	
31,715 - Leeds v. Newcastle 2-12-89	
31,602 - Sheff. Utd. v. Leeds 26-12-89	
30,217 - Leeds v. Oldham 1-1-90	
29,499 - Sunderland v. Newcastle 24-9-89	
28,204 - Leeds v. Wolves 21-10-89	
Lowest Attendances	
3,863 - Oxford v. Barnsley 21-10-89	
4,027 - Oxford v. Bradford C. 9-9-8	
4,029 - Oxford v. Hull 18-11-89	

WOLVES APPS. & GOALS 1989-90

Player	Apps	Goals
T. Bennett	18	1
G. Bellamy	26	18
S. Bull	28	
P. Chard	5+3	
N. Clarke	4	1
P. Cook	13	7
R. Dennison	32	1
K. Downing	14+8	
M. Gooding	17	
P. Jones	1+3	
M. Kendall	25	
A. Lange	7	
P. McLaughlin	0+5	9
A. Mutch	29	2
J. Paskin	10+7	
A. Robertson	7	
F. Streete	16	4
A. Thompson	21	
N. Vaughan	22+3	
M. Venus	32	2
S. Westley	25	1
Opponent		1
Totals:	352+29	47

PAST ENCOUNTERS

SWINDON TOWN

Wolves break new ice this afternoon when they entertain Swindon Town for the very first time in a League game at Molineux.

Earlier this season, at The County Ground, Ossie Ardiles' side clipped Wolves 3-1 - and revenge will obviously be the name of the game today.

Previous to that fixture the clubs had only met each other five times before - on four occasions in the League Cup and once in the F.A. Cup.

That F.A. Cup tie, played at Molineux on the 22nd February 1908, was in the 3rd round, and Wolves ran out worthy winners by 2-0 in front of a 26,856 gate. On target that afternoon were outside-right Billy Harrison and centre-forward George Hedley. Wolves went on to win the trophy that season, beating Newcastle 3-1 in the final at The Crystal Palace.

There was then a break of almost 70 years before the teams met again - and this time they contested a 2nd round League Cup tie in September 1975. The first leg, at Swindon, finished 2-2 in front of a 12,252 crowd,

John Richards and Alan Sunderland scoring for the Wolves, who at one stage in the match were 2-0 down, Peter Eastoe having netted against his former club.

But in the return leg at Molineux seven nights later, before an audience of 14,072, Wolves scraped through 3-2 (5-4 on aggregate) thanks to goals by Kenny Hibbitt, Sunderland and Richards again.

Four years later, however, the circumstances were rather different, although again Wolves and Swindon met each other in the League Cup competition. This time a place at Wembley awaited the winners of a semi-final clash early in 1980.

The first leg of the 'semi' was staged at The County Ground, Swindon, on 22nd January and 25,786 fans packed in to witness a 2-1 victory for

the Robins. But Peter Daniel's goal for Wolves proved invaluable and in the return fixture at Molineux on 12th February, a bumper crowd of 41,031 roared the Wanderers into the Final as they overcame stern resistance from the Robins to win 3-1 (4-3 on aggregate) with efforts from John Richards (2) and Mel Eves. Wolves, as we all know, beat Nottingham Forest in that Final, thanks to Andy Gray's tap-in goal after Forest 'keeper Peter Shilton and his central defender David Needham had made a hash of a long through ball.

So, as we go into this afternoon's game, Wolves lead Swindon by three wins to two from the previous six encounters, and no doubt they will be eager to make it 4-2 and thus avenge that 3-1 defeat suffered at The County Ground on that Sunday afternoon back in September.

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Molineux

WOLVES

Colours: Old Gold and Black

1. Mark KENDALL
2. Tom BENNETT
3. Mark VENUS
4. Gary BELLAMY
5. Keith DOWNING
6. Floyd STREETE
7. Paul JONES
8. Paul COOK
9. Steve BULL
10. Andy MUTCH
11. Robbie DENNISON
- 12.
- 14.

SWINDON

Colours: Red and White

1. Fraser DIGBY
2. David KERSLAKE
3. Paul BODIN
4. Alan McLOUGHLIN
5. Colin CALDERWOOD
6. Jon GITTENS
7. Tommy JONES
8. Duncan SHEARER
9. Steve WHITE
10. Ross McLAREN
11. Steve FOLEY
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F - Oxford U. v. Blackburn
G - Port Vale v. Brighton
H - Portsmouth v. Bradford
J - Sheff. U. v. Middlesbro'
K - Sunderland v. W.B. Albion
L - West Ham v. Hull City
M - Arsenal v. Tottenham
N - Aston V. v. Southampton
P - Chelsea v. Charlton Ath.
Q - C. Palace v. Liverpool
R - Derby Co. v. Nottm. For.
S - Everton v. Sheff. Wed.
T - Luton Town v. Q.P.R.grs.
U - Manch. City v. Coventry
V - Millwall v. Wimbledon
W - Crewe v. Birmingham

Today's mascot

This afternoon's mascot is 11 year old Anthony Morton from Brewood who plays for Brewood Juniors F.C. His two favourite Wolves players are Steve Bull and Andy Mutch.

Match Officials

Referee: Mr. P. Don (Hanworth Park, Middlesex).

Philip Don is a deputy headmaster, married with two children, ages 11 and 16. He commenced refereeing in 1968, in East Yorkshire, and after moving to Middlesex in 1970, he officiated in the Southern League. He was appointed to the Football League Line in 1981 and made to the League Referees List in 1986. He has yet to take charge of a major Cup Final.

Philip coaches, trains and assesses referees, and his interests include gardening, most sports, cooking and attending the Theatre.

Linesmen: Mr. R. J. Horswell (Red trim flag) and Mr. B. T. Millership (Yellow trim flag).

Reserve Official: Mr. J. Widdett.

Matchfacts

Your Match Record

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A MESSAGE TO ALL SWINDON FANS

To ensure your enjoyment of what promises to be a good game of football, the Wolverhampton Police are asking for your cooperation following the final whistle.

This means remaining quietly in the stand until the home fans have left the area of the ground - probably a wait of some 5 to 10 minutes.

You will be escorted by Police Officers to the coach and car parks and the railway station. Police Officers will remain in the vicinity to ensure that you can return home without interference. As a word of advice to supporters, the removal of favours, i.e. scarves, rosettes etc, is a sensible precaution, particularly if you have travelled by car.

Above all, we ask that you are patient if faced with a delay after the match. The Police arrangements have been made to help you and we will ensure that your coach or train will not leave without you.

Today's weather forecast: Cold with occasional rain. Temp 2C.

Actual:

ODDS ON

•Swindon have lost each of their previous three games at Molineux - all of them cup ties.

•Wolves have scored in each of their six competitive encounters with the Robins.

GOLDEN GOAL LUCKY NUMBERS

Today's Golden Goal lucky numbers are 2888 and 5011.

OPPOSITION ODDITIES

•In September 1938 Micky Burns appeared in the very first Football League match played by Ipswich Town - 15 months after keeping goal for Preston in the F.A. Cup Final. Burns, born in 1908, played until he was 43 and achieved the odd distinction of being on the losing side in F.A. Cup-ties for different clubs against the same club nearly 20 years apart. He lined up for Newcastle when they lost to Swindon in 1929 and for Ipswich when they were defeated by Swindon in 1948.

•When Terry Wollen and John Trollope began their full-back partnership with the Robins in the early 1960's, they had a combined age of 34 years, three months. Wollen subsequently retired before reaching the age of 21, but Trollope went on to play more than 850 times (756 in the League) for Swindon, before he hung up his boots following his last outing (v. Colchester in November 1980) at the age of 37 years 119 days.

•Tony Gough's first and second League games came 11 years and 121 days apart. He made his debut for Bristol Rovers in April 1959 and then played in his second League match for Swindon in August 1970.

•Swindon Town played six away games in a row in the 4th Division during 1986 - and they won them all.

•Swindon's Simon Gibson was sent-off playing against Millwall in December 1983 - the day he was celebrating his 19th birthday.

•Alan Mayes, making his debut for Swindon in February 1979, netted three goals - one in a Swindon shirt and two in a Rotherham jersey! In the first-half Swindon played in white shirts but were ordered to change to blue after the break by the referee, and they donned Rotherham's second strip! Swindon won the game 3-1.

•A young lad, regarded at school to be a fine header of the ball, was an amateur outside-right with Swindon Town in 1948 and turned 'pro' for Wolves in June 1950, later joining Swindon via Banbury Spencer in September 1957. His name was John Skull, who gained England Youth honours whilst at Molineux.

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