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Seven in court
SEVEN men from Derby, Burton, and Kirby-in-Ashfield were due to appear in court today charged with violent disorder after an incident outside a Nottingham hotel earlier.

The seven were arrested following an alleged fight involving about 40 people outside the Victoria Club Castle on Nottingham's Victoria Street at about 2am on Wednesday. One man was taken to Nottingham's Queen's Medical Centre after the incident and was admitted early today.

PETER SHILTON makes his first appearance since when he plays finals Chesterfield in tonight's Derbyshire FA Contemporary Cup match at the Baseball Ground (7.30). Geraint Williams (7.30), McMinn, missing from Tod day's friendly against Tranmere Rovers, will also be involved.

The only senior player absent is Nick Pidgley, who is suffering from a thigh strain.

Much of the pre-season interest has centred around the fitness of McMinn, who had an operation on damaged knee ligaments last November. He was ruled out for the season at a time when he was emerging as a strong contender for a place in Scotland's World Cup squad.

Mcminn had a setback when he collapsed at Rayneway but, after a weekend's rest, he bounced back

by Gerald Mortimer

forward to them. After our poor last season, we thought Chesterfield would be promoted and we were very close.

The bookmakers have us as favourites to go up them as favourites to go up in the Fourth Division this season.

Chesterfield, beaten by bridge United in the First Division play-offs at Wembley, signed a squad of 18.

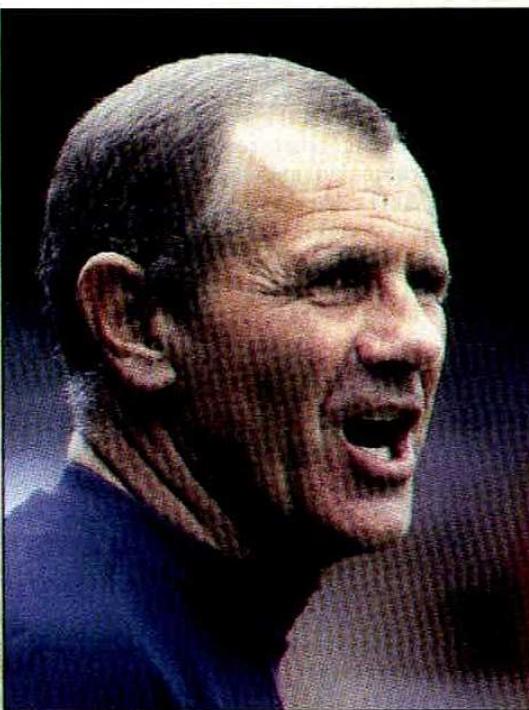
Full-back Lee Francis, at Salford towards the end of the season, joined the Spireites free transfer from Accrington. John Cooke, who began his career with Accrington, was transferred from Stockport County.

Striker Dave Wall on a weekly contract with Chesterfield signed new terms when his previous deal expired but only showed a positive

HERO SHILTON

MANAGERS MESSAGE *Arthur Cox*

"How ever many points we have at the end of today's game will be exactly the number our season deserves."



Easter Monday's game with Newcastle United was a very important game for both teams and, as such, had a real competitive edge to it. The outcome on this occasion was very much in our favour, and goals from Paul Williams, Paul Kitson and a couple for Craig Ramage gave us a victory which kept the momentum of our season going at Easter which, to quote many managers, "is a very crucial time."

The atmosphere created by both sets of supporters on that day was highly emotional and helped create an occasion which all professional footballers enjoy being involved in.

We followed that with a visit to Ashton Gate to play in-form Bristol City and once again the support that followed us there was in very good voice and in large numbers.

Marco Gabbiadini's early goal was cancelled out on the stroke of half-time by Roy Atteveld's equaliser, but late on in the game Gary Micklewhite came off the bench to get the winner.

This game will stick in my mind for the resolution we showed during the second half when lesser teams would most certainly have gone under.

The reward, other than the three vital points, was our 12th win away from the Baseball Ground this season which set an all time Club record of which I am proud to be associated with, just as I was proud to be involved with the last record of 11 away wins during the 1986-87 season.

It goes without saying that had our home results matched those we have achieved on our travels then we would already have been a Premier League team.

But football being the game that it is, played by human beings and not machines, we go into today's game already guaranteed of a Play Off place and with the possibility of automatic promotion to the Premier League.

Our aim is, of course, to continue to progress and how ever many points we have at the end of today's game will be exactly the number our season deserves.

Throughout the season we have endeavoured to make improvements to our team and our performances. One thing has remained constant and consistent throughout though and that is your support both at home and away. Never has that support been more needed than this afternoon.

In today's Ram Magazine

Marco Gabbiadini goes ONE ON ONE. See pages 12 & 13...
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Quiet arrival for Shane

Rams manager Arthur Cox surprised a few people earlier this month when he dipped into the transfer market to sign a talented young full back from Lincoln City...not least the player himself!

With the transfer deadline gone, many supporters must have felt that Arthur's spending spree this season had ended, but the Derby County manager swooped to secure the £80,000 capture of 21 year-old Shane Nicholson from under the noses of a number of other big clubs.

"If Derby supporters were surprised about the move, so was I!" proclaimed the attacking left-back.

"The manager at Lincoln, Steve Thompson, called me to one side and told me that a club had made an offer, but I didn't know it was Derby until the day before I signed."

Should Derby be involved in the play-offs, Shane will still not be eligible to play for the first team, but he has already settled into the Rams' Pontins League side.

Rams 92-93 season tickets...

Derby County have today announced the season ticket pricing structure for the 1992-93 campaign, and once again a Rams' season ticket offers outstanding value for money.

Although Derby could be playing in the Premier League next season, prices have risen only slightly on last year, and the Board has pledged to stick by the pricing structure even if the Rams are promoted this summer.

For 1992-93, the majority of adult

seat season ticket holders will be asked to pay £190 for up to 23 home League games plus four Cup games...that works out as little as £7 per game!

Seats in the Ley Stand centre section have been fixed at £210, with the most expensive B Stand tickets available at £230.

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Once again the Club has put together some very attractive and cost-cutting packages to help promote family football at the Baseball Ground and, as in the past, there are hefty reductions

in many areas for Old Age Pensioners.

Derby County general manager

RAMS AWARD WINNERS....

Derby County's match-day publication, the Ram Magazine, has once again been named among the best football programmes in the country in the prestigious Football League Programme of the Year Awards. The Ram, which was nominated as the best programme produced by a Second Division club, finished third overall with only Aston Villa and Everton gaining more votes than Derby County.

"This is the highest position we have ever achieved in these awards and all those who work on the Ram Magazine should be rightly proud of their efforts," commented general manager Michael Dunford.

"We have always placed a strong emphasis on producing a high quality match-day publication, right from the days when Harry Brown worked on our unique newspaper programme."

"Ian Guildford, our Editor, has worked hard this year to maintain those standards and this award not only reflects his endeavours but also the high quality contributions from Tony Pulein, Mike Wilson and Peter Stephens who have served the magazine so well."

Credit should also go to the Ram Magazine's printers, ACL & Polar of Leicester. Their state-of-the-art desk top publishing capabilities were used to produce six of the top seven programmes nominated this season.

hope that supporters will see that we have been very fair with the season ticket pricing structure this time around.

"There has been a rise in prices, but in many cases that is under 10 percent and when you consider that prices remained the same last season and the substantial investment made in the playing squad over the last few months, I don't think supporters will feel unfairly treated.

"It has always been the Board's intention to make football in Derby as cheap to watch as possible, while working within the constraints of a strict budget that is geared to bringing the best possible players to the Baseball

Ground."

With Derby County's fate this season still to be decided, the season ticket renewal period has two possible start dates. Should the Rams be involved in the Second Division play-off final

at Wembley on May 25th, then season ticket renewals will be taken from Tuesday May 26th.

If the Rams are not involved in that match, then renewals will commence from Monday May 18th. In either

instance, existing season ticket holders will have until Saturday July 4th to purchase their seat for next season with general sales starting on Monday July 6th.

"It has always been the Board's intention to make football in Derby as cheap to watch as possible, while working within the constraints of a strict budget."

It can't be easy stepping into the boots of Mark Wright and Dean Saunders but this afternoon one Rams player will do just that...and he'll be happy to do so.

For today we announce the winner of the Rams' player of the year award, the prestigious annual honour that has been dominated by the £5million duo over the last three seasons.

The votes, cast by you the supporters, have poured in over the last two weeks and although our deadline came before the Thursday closing date for nominations, it has been obvious all week that this year we are in for one of the tightest calls for a long time.

With so many players putting up excellent displays this campaign the votes were spread right across the board, with six players going into the final few days of voting still neck and neck.

Among the 'leading pack' were two players who have won the award in the past, plus two players who have only joined the club this season.

But who will come out on top? Whose will be the first name on the new Jack Stamps Memorial Trophy to mark the the player of the year award?

Watch out for the presentation on the pitch ten minutes before kick-off today.



This is the honours season. As the rollcall of champions, cup winners and promoted sides nears completion, I have been doing a little adjudicating of my own. Naturally, I have left the Rams player of the year award exclusively to the fans. It would be a cheek to do otherwise. But I want to name my own joint Football Men of the Year. They are: Arthur Cox and Lionel Pickering. Am I biased? Perhaps, but what a great case I can make for both!

Consider the predicament of Derby County when the Maxwell years ended. Two of the three superstars had gone; the cash effectively in Robert Maxwell's pocket. The other superstar has said that he wanted a player-manager role elsewhere. Of the remaining senior squad, several were weary and heading for the lower divisions. Others had lost confidence during the desperate struggle to stay in the top flight. There was a small sum available for signings, but it could not have bought even one above-average First Division player. Cox, who had held things together in spite of a two-year transfer embargo, was, most unfairly, under fire from some of the older supporters. (Not for them "Arthur, Arthur, give us a wave!") They imagined that the real problems for the Rams were all 11 players were staying back to defend corners and that the substitutes were being brought on too late to retrieve a losing game. Even if these complaints have substance, which is a matter for debate, the short-sighted, short-memoried critics failed to appreciate the brilliant work that the Derby manager had done, and was still capable of doing.

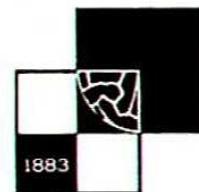
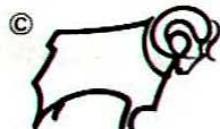
When Lionel Pickering burst on to the scene, a genuine fan eager to put millions into the club, Cox was attacked again, this time for not rushing to spend like a pools winner on a shopping spree at Harrods. This master of surprise in the transfer market strikes when he is ready, and keeps a few pennies back for a rainy day. To have built a team to mount a serious challenge for promotion to the Premier League in the space of a few months is a notable achievement.

Lionel Pickering's generosity and vision have made it possible. Arthur Cox's genius has given the fans a future. Champions both.

Peter Stephens

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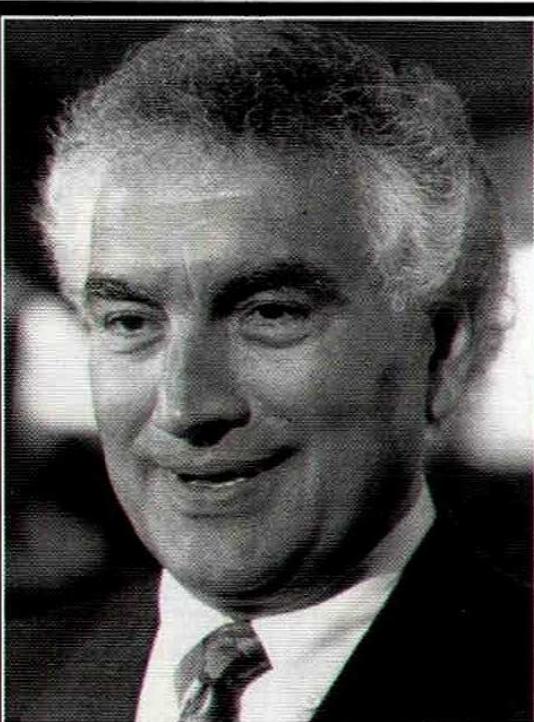
I wrote in the Ram Magazine that evening that, over the months ahead lay a minefield of pit falls that we had to negotiate if we were to succeed in our ambition of reclaiming our place in the top flight of English football, and that the only way that we could do that was if everyone pulled together. Well, as we sit now on the brink of a possible promotion place, and assured of at least a spot in the Play Offs, I am proud to say that is exactly what has happened.

So much has happened in my first season as chairman of Derby County and, whether we claim a place in the Premier League next season or not - and I certainly hope we do - one thing is for sure, Derby County Football Club is going forward again.

There are several reasons why we have managed to 'turn the ship around' in such a short period of time, and not least is the superb support that you have given the team and the Club over the last eight months.

Our average attendance at the Baseball Ground this season has topped the 14,000 mark that we asked for at the start of the season and, while that figure needs to improve if we are to meet our strict budget requirements, the Board of Directors appreciate your loyalty to the Club after such a testing period for all Derby County followers in the recent past.

But your support has not only been confined to match days. More than 10,000 turned up for our Open Day last October, and the hundreds of people who have attended the Rams Road Shows that we have instigated this season shows just how much



In August chairman Brian Fearn wrote his first message to the supporters looking forward to the season ahead. Today he assesses the last eight months work....

this football club means to the people of Derbyshire and its surrounding areas. That fact is not lost on the people who run your club.

Another reason for our rapid progress is, of course, the unrivalled managerial skills of Arthur Cox. He has once again shown his knowledge of football to be second to none, both in the dressing room and in the transfer market.

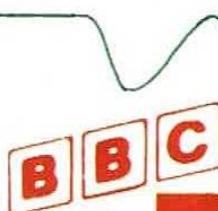
Whether it is signing schoolboys at the age of 14 or buying players for £1million, Arthur has an uncanny knack of bringing the right players to Derby County and I am sure that in years to come the players that have arrived at the Baseball Ground this season will prove to be judged alongside the very best that this Club has produced.

Of course, Derby County's capability to compete with the biggest clubs for the best young talent is down to the unprecedented financial backing of our new vice-chairman and majority share holder Lionel Pickering.

Never in this Club's long history have we been fortunate to enjoy the sort of commitment that Lionel has given to this Club since his arrival in November, and it is to him that I turn my gratitude for perhaps the most significant contribution in making Derby County a club to be reckoned with once again.

To Lionel and my fellow Board of Directors, to Arthur Cox and his management team, to Michael Dunford and the administration staff, to our sponsors, the lottery agents, the programme sellers, to everyone who does their bit for the Rams and most of all to you, the supporters, thank you for helping to put a smile on the face of Derby County Football Club once again.

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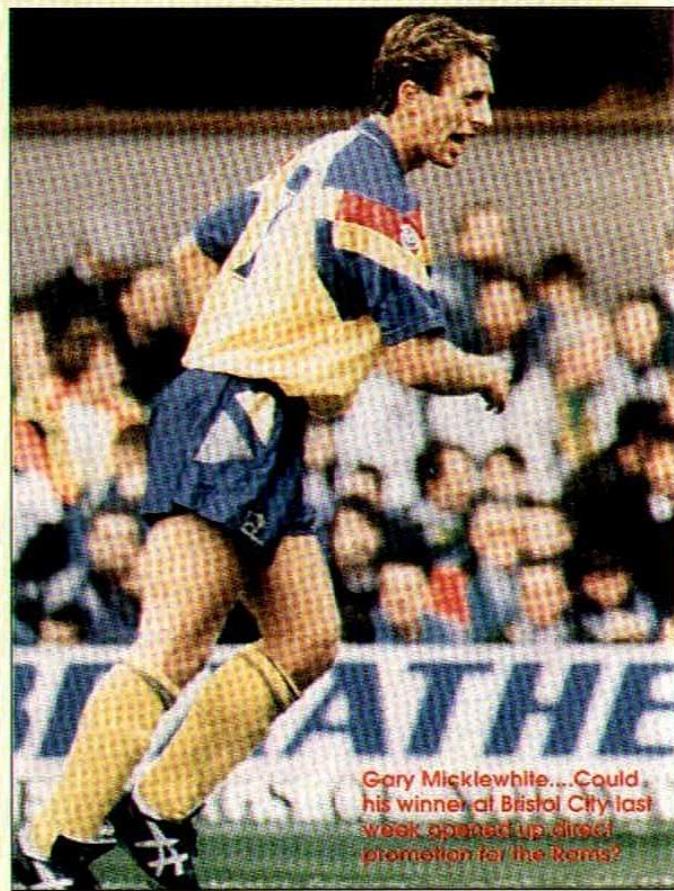
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Gary Micklewhite... Could
his winner at Bristol City last
week open up direct
promotion for the Rams?

The Premier League will make its long-awaited debut on Saturday August 15 following its protracted teething troubles, and, according to the Premier League itself, the wait will be well worthwhile. In this article, prepared by the new League, its position on key topics is explained, with comments from Premier League leading light Rick Parry.

Promotion... For the next three seasons the size of the Premier League will remain at 22 clubs, with three being relegated and replaced by teams from the Football League each season.

At the end of the 95-96 season, there will be four teams going down and two up, resulting in a Premier League of 20 clubs - which is on a par with France, Spain, Germany and other major European countries.

From the 96-97 campaign, the relegation will revert to a three down, three up basis.

Although promoted clubs will have to meet ground criteria, the primary criterion for entry to the Premier League will always be on playing merit.

Managers and Players... The structure of the Premier League is of one club, one vote with, in the early stages, a 'board' of 22.

Management responsibility is delegated to an executive management team of Sir John Quinton as chairman and Rick Parry as chief executive.

Says Parry: 'We are keen to listen to the professionals in the game - managers, players, chief executives - in order to have an enlightened competition with everyone pulling together.'

The Premier League has a place - along with the FA,



RICK PARRY speaks to Ram Magazine...

As the curtain comes down on a remarkable season in Division Two, the last week of the campaign started with nine clubs still in the hunt for promotion.

Results this week could well have altered that picture to some extent as we move into the final programme of games in the regulation League season, but even so, the final days of the 1991-92 Second Division season must rank as one of the most tense periods for years.

The Rams, who have won 10 and drawn three of their last 16 League games, started this last week of the season with a chance of finishing second, and being automatically promoted, or seventh and being left with nothing. Even this afternoon that

second spot remains open. One of the few things to be sorted out already is the Division Two Championship. After a couple of weeks of faltering, Ipswich Town

Today's key fixtures...

Bristol Rov	v	Charlton
Derby	v	Swindon
Leicester	v	Newcastle
Plymouth	v	Blackburn
Portsmouth	v	Barnsley
Sunderland	v	Cambridge
Wolves	v	Middlesbrough

secured the point they needed to achieve promotion with a draw at Oxford last weekend, and with Leicester losing at Charlton on the

The Football League and the PFA - on the Professional Football Negotiating Committee, the decision-making umbrella body affecting all matters relating to the rules and regulations of sport.

Television coverage... The Premier League is looking to television to promote the game, with Rick Parry claiming that the policy thinking on the subject of television rights is to be 'visionary rather than mercenary.'

By that he means that any television deals sanctioned by the Premier League would ensure that the game is portrayed in the best possible light and that television coverage is a long term boost to the health of the sport.

The Premier League will also be looking for a more rounded coverage of the sport to include decent magazine programmes, programmes aimed at children and even coaching programmes.

Commercially... and this includes sponsorship, the Premier League's plans are long term. It looks into providing a more unified face.

It looks for a selection of sponsors who are committed to promoting the game in a variety of ways.

Visiting Supporters... There will be a long term commitment to meeting the needs of visiting supporters. Most clubs are faced with short-term difficulties while building work to implement the Taylor Report is going on. During that time, some provisional facilities will be implemented.

The question of away supporters ticket allocation on a ground by ground basis is still debate at the moment.

same day, that result was good enough to bring the title to Portman Road.

The scene at the bottom of the table is almost as tight as that at the top, and the desire for points to avoid the drop could yet be a key topic in the promotion race. This afternoon both Blackburn and Leicester must play teams desperate for points to ensure a Second Division life next Autumn. In Leicester's case they come up against a Newcastle side needing at least one point to be sure of avoiding the indignity of Third Division football for the first time in their history.

With a draw also being enough to open the door for the Rams, Filbert Street looks like being a very anxious place this afternoon.

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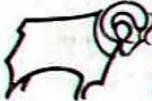
A Ram Magazine column charting the Second Division promotion race over the last crucial few weeks...

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TEAM TALK

Rams record breakers

The Rams enter the last game of the League campaign this afternoon on the brink of a return to the top flight of English football, a situation built on the back of a new club record of 12 away League wins in a season.

Last Saturday's 2-1 victory over Bristol City at Ashton Gate, Derby's fourth successive away win, was enough to clinch the record set five years ago during the Rams' last Second Division campaign. It also meant that Derby have chalked up double figures for away League wins three times in the last seven seasons - a remarkable achievement. When the Rams gained promotion from the Third Division in 1986

they achieved ten away wins for only the third time in the Club's history.

The first occasion was also in the Third Division - in the old North and South days - in 1955-56 when they finished second but with only one club going up, missed out on promotion.

The record was equalled in 1968-69 with 10 wins from 21 away games as the Rams marched into the First Division as Second Division champions.

That record stood right throughout the championship years of the seventies until it was broken in 1986-87, the record clinching victory coming at Sheffield United with Phil Gee cracking the winner.

Now the dozen away wins has been achieved with 41 points coming from the Rams' visits this season, that's five points more than in 86-87, although we have played two more games.

Since the 2-0 defeat at Blackburn in February, the Rams have played 16 games home and away, winning ten of them, drawing three and losing three. Of those games, eight have been away with five wins, two defeats and a draw coming

from them.

The Rams have not only been efficient on their travels, they have been entertaining too with 34 goals coming from the 23 away League games, making it only the fourth time in the last 25 years that Derby have scored more than 30 goals away from home in the League.

Those last eight games produced 15 goals (almost two per game) against 10 goals conceded, and if you take out the four conceded at Tranmere Rovers after being 3-1 up with less than 30 minutes to play, you can see how good the Rams have been away from home.

Those 15 goals have been shared out too, with eight players claiming a strike during the last eight League games, although nine of them have been shared by new boys Paul Simpson and Marco Gabbiadini.

Both men scored on their debuts, Paul at Filbert Street and Marco at Fratton Park, and it is Marco who has finished the season with a run of away goals. His four in the last three away games have been the basis of Derby's late charge towards automatic promotion.

The much criticised home record, with eight defeats in 22 games, has improved with only one defeat in the last eight, so hopefully the Rams will bow out this season with the win they need this afternoon.

However, had our home record been as good as our away record, we would have been starting the day a point ahead of Ipswich Town at the top of the table and be gunning for another Second Division championship.

No matter if Derby are promoted this season or not, 1991-92 will go down in the history books as another record breaking season for the Rams. Victory at Bristol City last weekend made it a dozen away successes, making this campaign's travels the most profitable in Derby's League history as MIKE WILSON reports...

CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

So, this is it, the final hurdle of the regulation League season and we are within one victory of regaining our place in the First Division, or Premier League as it will be known next season.

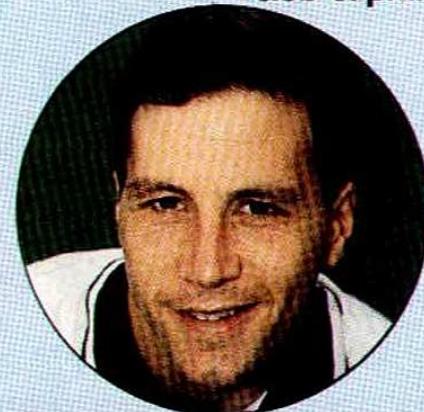
When you consider that only two months ago we were sitting in mid-table, to go into the last game knowing that a play-off place has already been secured and that a win could take us straight up is a tremendous reflection on the quality, ability and honesty of the side.

The lads have put in a great run over the last few weeks to get this far and I am sure that with your help this afternoon we can round off the season with a win. Your support has been tremendous over the campaign and for the lads to be running out in front of a near capacity crowd - virtually all Derby supporters too - will give them a great boost I'm sure. Obviously our fate lies in the hands of others, but all we can concentrate on is getting another home win. Then it's down to the radios to find out how Middlesbrough and Leicester have got on.

To get this close owes a lot to our away form this season and I feel very proud to have played a part in earning a club record 12 away wins, having helped set the previous best of 11 during our last Second Division promotion campaign.

I've mentioned the honesty of the team already, but that is never more obviously reflected than in away performances. Some teams are prepared to lie down away from home, but not us. We have scrapped and fought for each other this season and hopefully that will be rewarded today with promotion.

**Geraint Williams
Club Captain**



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Marco's got no regrets

If only... is a powerful phrase within football. *If only...* Lionel Pickering had been at the Club 12 months earlier perhaps the Rams would never have been relegated.

If only... Derby had held on for victory at Tranmere Rovers we would now be celebrating promotion.

If only... Marco Gabbiadini had not left Roker Park earlier this season he would now be sitting on the brink of an FA Cup final place with Sunderland.

Well, if the first two "if onlys..." make you wince with regret, rest assured that Marco Gabbiadini won't be joining you with regards to the third.

Like any top professional player, an FA Cup Final appearance is a dream day for the Nottingham born striker, but £million man Marco is firmly positive when he answers a query over whether he wishes it was still him in the red and white stripes at Wembley.

"For starters, football is a game when you can't say 'if only' because you'd go mad if you did," answered the intelligent 24 year-old.

"But I wouldn't swap Sunderland's FA Cup final place for a shot at promotion with Derby.

"An FA Cup final is something special - it must be an unbelievable day for the players - but I'm sure if we get promoted I will be much happier. I'll enjoy 40-odd 'cup finals' in the First Division.

"If you ask most of the players at Sunderland, I'm sure they would say the same, and I bet most of them are happier that they're staying in the Second Division than going to Wembley as a relegated club.

"The FA Cup is a bonus thing, and you need your fair share of luck for a good run, although in the games that I have seen them play Sunderland have deserved to win their ties because they have played well.

"Anyway, had I still been at Sunderland they probably wouldn't have got this far. In four years at Roker I think we only ever won one FA Cup tie, so perhaps I was the bogey-man!"

As Marco says, you can't look back in football because you never know what is going to happen

next, although if he was allowed to change one thing with the power of hindsight then perhaps it would be his £1.8million move to Crystal Palace. The England B striker has, quite rightly, remained diplomatically silent on what went wrong with his 'dream move' to the First Division club, but he did explain to Ram Magazine the reasons for his move to - and from - Selhurst Park.

"I'd been at Sunderland for four seasons and I felt that the club had stopped going forward. Personally, I felt it was time for a change.

"We had just had a year in the First Division but we were in a similar position to Derby in that no money was being spent on the team. We had a good side up there and had we spent a few quid we'd have stayed in the First Division.

"I wanted to play in the First Division again and when the chance came with Palace I jumped at it; maybe I jumped at it a little bit too quickly.

"Having said that, at the time the Palace move looked okay. They finished third in the First Division last season and seemed to be on the way up, but that's football for you.

"I probably should have left Sunderland a little bit before I did. Maybe they were hanging on and my form dropped a little bit, had I left a little earlier then there may have been other clubs involved.

"At one stage Palace was about the only club I wasn't linked with - Leeds, Manchester

United, Liverpool, Celtic...my name was linked with them all.

"But when I did become available it was ironic because all of those clubs had just bought strikers and it came out in the papers that they had no more money to spend.

"I went to Palace with high hopes but things did not work out and I started to doubt my own ability, so it was nice when the Boss came in for me. He just encourages to do what we are good at and hopefully I'm returning a little bit towards the way I like to play.

"I like exciting football and that is what we try and play here. I'm just hoping that it is First Division crowds that we are entertaining next season, not Second."

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"An FA Cup final is special - but I'll enjoy 40-odd 'cup finals' in the First Division."



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McDONALDS JUNIOR RAMS

When folk start talking about the last fortnight of the season, I don't really know whether they mean the one ending today - or the one starting today!

Today's the last scheduled League game here at the BBG but anyone who doesn't know all of the implications of the various results and their effects on the Rams' destiny must have spent the last few weeks holed up like a hermit.

We here at the McDonalds Junior Rams have been right up close to the action as the drama unfolds.

We welcomed a party of our friends from the Junior Magpies from Newcastle on Easter Monday, and five days later we were down at Bristol City visiting the Junior Reds there.

Even the torrential rain didn't dampen our spirits to see a record Rams victory.

TODAY....We have our usual McDonalds Matchday meet 1.30pm to 2.30pm at the Shaftesbury centre.

In the MacDonalds Junior Rams centre we continue our sale of souvenirs - 25% off all McDonalds Junior Rams souvenirs and 50% off a range of others. There is the usual competition too.

In the Key Club at half time we welcome our very own good friend Ronald McDonald who will be here to meet you all. Give him a hearty BBG welcome as usual.

TOMORROW....We are hosting the Reebok five-a-side competition at the BBG itself from 1.30pm to 4pm. Admission is FREE and refreshments will be available from the 'A' Stand.

There are 82 matches to watch in two age groups, 9 to 11 and 12 to 13. As well as representatives from the capital of Ramsfansland there are teams from Ashbourne, Stapenhill, Edge Hill, Ilkeston, Doveridge, Ripley and Warboys (Cambridgeshire).

There's action all the way, so why not pop down and encourage the lads.

TUESDAY....The McDonalds Junior Rams Awards Night will be held at the Osmaston Park Road McDonalds at 6pm, allowing you to see which of the Rams' stars steps up as the winner of the Junior Rams Player of the Year Award, voted for by you the members. There will also be our Family of the Year Award and Member of the Year Award.

All members and their families are invited to attend, then its off to the BBG for the reserve game against Preston where admission will be free.

AND THE FUTURE....Today's result will have a direct bearing on what we have in store for you up to May 25th when a Wembley date beckons, but of course the right results today will mean we may not need the play offs to claim a place in the Premier League. We'll keep you in touch with developments.

We shall be writing to all members offering them a discount on next season's membership package, as well as offering the chance to take part in a free prize draw with an autographed football up for grabs.

We're looking forward to signing you all on again next season so look out for that letter dropping onto the doormat. Until then... **STEVE STONE**



• JOIN THE JUNIOR RAMS •

*End of the season?
Not as far as we are concerned!*



Good afternoon folks,

Well, the end of another season is on us, and what a season it has been! Not only have Derby County been making forward strides on the field, but we've making big ones off it as well.

Seems as the end of a season is always a good time to take a look back at what has gone before, I thought I would use today's column to briefly review the work that we have carried out in the Community over the last nine months.

Of course, this is only a taste of the many hours of work put in by the Club, but it highlights our priorities for making football accessible for as many people, and as varied an audience, as possible. Our Primary Schools coaching programme has gone forward in leaps and bounds, with members of the playing staff passing on hints and tips to an estimated 2,220 children during the last season...that's not bad going!

Add to that the work we have carried out specifically with schools with special needs, and you can see our coaching commitment is a massive one.

In fact our work with special need children is pioneering stuff. We have instigated a special coaching course and proficiency award for these children which really has been appreciated. Continuing the educational theme, we have continued to enhance our direct work with schools by increasing the number of school visits to the Baseball Ground, not only for soccer coaching, but also to give the eager children a peep around the Rams' corridors of power. Then there are the education projects we have helped with too.

In promoting football we have seen Derby County's Ladies Team flourish and more and more girls take an active part of the game, as well as seeing the Rams Activity Centre for seven to 13 year olds get off the ground. We've had a festival of football at the Baseball Ground for 20 local primary schools and the Rams took a very active part in helping to organise the very popular primary school indoor five-a-side tournament held in Derby earlier this year.

All in all, it has been a very busy year...

JOHN JARMAN
Football Community Development Officer

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UNITED THEY FALL...

Derby County's famous old home has seen some rare sights in its 100 years history...but few Baseball Ground matches can have surpassed our Easter Monday game against Newcastle United for drama.

A bomb scare before the match and a 15 minute kick-off delay to allow the 21,000 plus crowd to squeeze through the turnstiles only set the scene for 90 minutes of explosive action, with Sheffield referee Brian Coddington in the thick of the action.

Only two minutes were on the game clock when the first year Football League ref pointed to the spot after Mickey Forsyth's goal bound header from Paul Simpson's corner had been scooped off the line by Kevin Brock's hand, an offense for which the Newcastle number 11 received his marching orders.

On the quarter hour the Rams were two up after Paul Kiston strode through to score, and shortly afterwards Newcastle were reduced to nine men as Kevin Scott was sent-off for his second bookable offense.

Gavin Peacock added to the lead, with a shock equalizer for United in the 50th minute of the first half. The final goal from Gary Ramage completed the vital three points for the Rams, and by the time his second went in, Liam O'Brien had been the third Newcastle player ordered off.



FALL...



MINDS ON GAMES



THE REDOUBTABLE RAMS

by Tony Pullein

Arthur Cox is gunning for another glorious finale to the season this afternoon with his third promotion campaign in eight years at the Baseball Ground.

But, despite promotion from the Third in 1986 and winning the Second Division Championship a year later, perhaps Arthur's finest achievement so far came during the 1988-89 season. By taking fifth place in the First Division that season, we finished in our highest Football League position for 13 years. And that was achieved only five years after the Club had slumped to the Third Division and faced a winding up order. Having won promotion to the top flight two seasons earlier, lack of fire power up front had caused the Rams to flirt with an immediate return to Division Two in the previous season. Manager Cox took steps to strengthen the squad during the close season and spent the best part of £1 million pounds in bringing in four experienced players - three of them internationals.

He signed forward Paul Goddard from Newcastle for £425,000

and Nick Pickering from Coventry for £250,000. Both men had played for England at full international level.



Midfield man Trevor Hebbard was signed from Oxford United in a player plus cash deal which involved Mickey Lewis going to the Manor, and Nigerian international John Chiedozie arrived on a free transfer from Tottenham, having hardly played for two years with back trouble.

Goddard turned out to be the most effective recruit and he marked his Rams' debut with the goal which earned us victory over Middlesbrough at the Baseball Ground on the opening day of the season, but that was one of only two wins achieved from our opening eight fixtures.

With just four goals scored during those games, it was clear that, despite Goddard's obvious quality, the Rams' attack still needed more zip.

So, amid speculation that he was about to sign John Fashanu from Wimbledon, Arthur Cox missed a rare Rams first team game only to arrive back at the Baseball Ground on Monday morning with his new recruit...Dean Saunders.

A few eyebrows were raised when Cox splashed £1 million - Derby's first seven figure signing - on the young Welsh international forward, a player who only a few years previously had been given a free transfer by John Bond.

It was not long before that huge investment began to yield dividends and with two goals in his opening game against Wimbledon, Dean soon became a Pop Side hero at the Baseball Ground.

His opening brace helped Derby to a 4-1 win over the Dons and, with goals in his next three games, Dean's arrival sparked an unbeaten run of form which was extended to seven games and that lifted us into fifth place in the table by early December. That month turned out to be the turning point. With Saunders, Mark Wright and Peter Shilton in the side, Derby had a team capable of making an audacious bid for the title, but things went badly wrong around Christmas.

During December we lost all three of our home games and with an away win and a draw, collected only four League points when we needed to stick with the pack.

It was not until the middle of January that the side began to find its form again.

We opened March by crashing 0-4 at Wimbledon but, from that point, we were to lose only five of our remaining 13 matches.

So, with clubs like Millwall and Coventry beginning to flag as the season wore on, we rose into fifth position.

As Arsenal fought out that epic Anfield decider to win the title on goals scored from Liverpool, Derby had quietly slipped into the upper reaches of the First Division. It was the Club's best achievement since taking fourth place in 1976 and was an excellent platform on which to build a serious title challenge.

Instead, the Club slipped the opposite way and within two years was back in the Second Division.

The best

• FOR NEWS OF THE RAMS OF TODAY....

SEASON 1988-89



Dean Saunders was the subject of the club's first ever seven figure transfer when he joined from Oxford United but his partnership with Goddard transformed the team into Champions.

Although the final League position gave the fans some cheer, there was little enjoyment in the cup competitions as we crashed at the second hurdle in both the FA and Littlewoods Cup competitions.

The Rams looked set to take an even earlier exit than that in the FA Cup when we trailed 1-0 at home to Southampton with only three minutes to go.

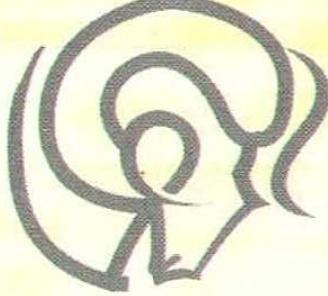
Then Trevor Hebbert grabbed an equaliser as we went on to win the replay 2-1 at the dell, Nigel Callaghan getting a spectacular winner six minutes into extra-time.

But we went out in round four at Watford, a club that was pressing very strongly for promotion to the First Division.

After beating lowly Third Division side Southend 3-1 on aggregate in the second round of the League Cup, we suffered an amazing 5-0 defeat at West Ham, who were almost at the bottom of the First Division.

DIVISION ONE: 1988-89

	P	W	D	L	F	A	pts
Arsenal	38	22	10	6	73	36	76
Liverpool	38	22	10	6	65	28	76
Nottm For	38	17	13	8	64	43	64
Norwich	38	17	11	10	48	45	62
RAMS	38	17	7	14	40	38	58
Tottenham	38	15	12	11	60	46	57



DIVISION ONE

	Home	Away
Arsenal	2-1	2-1
Aston Villa	2-1	2-1
Charlton	0-0	0-3
Coventry	1-0	2-0
Everton	3-2	0-1
Liverpool	0-1	0-1
Luton	0-1	0-3
Man Utd	2-2	2-0
Middlesbrough	1-0	1-0
Millwall	0-1	0-1
Newcastle	2-0	1-0
Norwich	0-1	0-1
Nottm For	0-2	1-1
QPR	0-1	1-0
Shef Wed	1-0	1-1
Southampton	3-1	0-0
Tottenham	1-1	3-1
West Ham	1-2	1-1
Wimbledon	4-1	0-4

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FA CUP

Rd. 3 Southampton (h) 1-1
 Southampton (a) 2-1 aet
 Rd. 4 Watford (a) 1-2

LEAGUE CUP

Rd. 2 Southend (h) 1-0
 Southend (a) 2-1
 Rd. 3 West Ham (a) 0-5

SIMOD CUP

Rd. 1 Bournemouth(h) 1-0
 Rd. 2 Aston Villa (h) 2-1
 Rd. 3 Wimbledon (a) 0-0 aet
 (lost 3-4 on penalties)

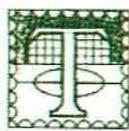
LEAGUE SCORERS

Saunders: 14, Goddard: 7,
 Hebbert: 5, McMinn: 4,
 Micklewhite: 3, Callaghan: 2,
 Blades: 1, Gee: 1, Sage: 1,
 Williams: 1, Wright: 1.

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PONTINS LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Date	Opponents	Res.
Aug 19	Notts County	0-0
Aug 29	Leicester City	1-1
Sep 10	Mansfield Town	2-3
Sep 16	Port Vale	0-0
Sep 26	Huddersfield	0-0
Oct 1	Wigan Ath.	2-3
Oct 7	York City	2-1
Oct 16	Blackpool	2-5
Oct 23	Hull City	3-1
Oct 30	Scunthorpe	3-3
Nov 7	Oldham	3-1
Nov 19	Stoke City	0-4
Nov 26	Preston NE	2-0
Dec 3	Grimsby Town	1-1
Dec 10	Burnley	2-0
Dec 17	Notts County	3-2
Jan 7	Leicester City	2-1
Jan 20	Stoke City	1-2
Feb 6	Hull City	0-2
Feb 12	Burnley	2-3
Feb 26	Wolves	2-3
Mar 3	Middlesboro	2-0
Mar 5	Wolves	1-0
Mar 12	Scunthorpe	0-0
Mar 17	Oldham	1-1
Mar 23	Mansfield	1-2
Apr 8	Huddersfield	4-1
Apr 13	Grimsby	0-0
Apr 16	Port Vale	4-0
Apr 21	Wigan Ath.	3-1
Apr 27	Blackpool	1-0
Apr 29	York City	
May 5	Preston NE	
May 7	Middlesboro	

All home games are marked in **bold** type

MIDLAND PURITY YOUTH LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	Res.
Aug 17	Walsall	3-1
Aug 24	West Brom	3-0
Aug 31	Aston Villa	1-2
Sep 7	Birmingham	2-2
Sep 14	Coventry City	1-0
Sep 21	Wolves	1-3
Sep 28	Grimsby Town	8-0
Oct 5	Leicester City	1-1
Oct 12	Lincoln City	0-0
Oct 19	Mansfield Town	2-2
Oct 26	Northampton	3-0
Nov 2	Notts County	2-3
Nov 9	Coventry City	1-2
Nov 16	Notts Forest	2-1
Nov 23	Peterboro Utd	0-0
Nov 30	Port Vale	3-0
Dec 7	Shrewsbury	2-0
Jan 4	Stoke City	2-3
Jan 11	Walsall	P-P
Jan 18	West Brom	0-0
Feb 1	Aston Villa	5-1
Feb 8	Birmingham	1-2
Feb 15	Wolves	1-5
Feb 22	Grimsby Town	4-0
Feb 29	Leicester City	3-0
Mar 7	Lincoln City	5-3
Mar 18	Stoke City	2-3
Mar 21	Mansfield Town	1-1
Mar 28	Northampton	3-0
Apr 4	Notts County	0-1
Apr 11	Notts Forest	0-1
Apr 18	Peterboro Utd	6-1
Apr 25	Port Vale	4-0
May 2	Shrewsbury	

All home games are marked in **bold** type

PONTINS LEAGUE 1991-92 TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Stoke	29	21	5	3	80	25	68
Wolves	29	16	7	6	57	31	55
Huddersfield	28	15	7	6	55	31	52
Leicester	28	13	8	7	42	26	47
Notts County	28	13	7	8	37	32	46
Middlesboro	26	12	3	11	31	35	39
Burnley	27	11	4	12	37	40	37
Wigan	27	11	4	12	37	45	37
Blackpool	28	10	5	13	45	44	35
Derby County	26	9	8	9	38	39	35
Port	29	9	8	12	49	49	33
York City	29	9	4	16	31	44	31
Preston	28	8	7	13	34	58	31
Grimsby	27	8	6	13	30	38	30
Scunthorpe	27	7	9	11	38	57	30
Mansfield	28	8	5	15	38	47	29
Oldham	27	8	5	14	40	55	29
Hull	29	7	8	14	26	49	29
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PURITY LEAGUE 1991-92 TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Notts County	25	17	4	4	58	32	55
Notts Forest	23	16	4	3	50	17	52
West Brom	25	15	2	8	54	35	47
Derby County	25	12	6	7	56	31	42
Wolves	24	12	6	6	34	19	42
Coventry	25	10	10	5	41	28	40
Aston Villa	24	11	7	6	37	27	40
Leicester	26	10	9	7	46	37	39
Mansfield	26	9	6	11	31	34	33
Birmingham	23	10	3	10	39	45	33
Walsall	26	8	8	10	37	48	32
Port Vale	26	8	7	11	35	41	31
Shrewsbury	24	8	6	10	29	28	30
Stoke	25	7	8	10	44	41	29
Grimsby	27	5	7	15	31	56	22
Peterborough	24	5	5	14	26	45	20
Lincoln	23	5	3	15	27	53	18
Northampton	25	2	1	22	17	79	7
					(7.3.92)		

• HELP DERBY COUNTY'S YOUTH TEAM •

Hectic run-in for reserves...

Thursday April 16th. 1992

PONTINS LEAGUE

Derby County Res. 4

Port Vale Res. 0

Scorers: Dean Sturridge, Mark Stallard, Mark Clarke, Martyn Chalk.

Team: Taylor M, Round, Nicholson, Curtis, Phillips, Davidson, Sturridge, Stallard (sub: Taylor S), Clarke, Hayward, Chalk. Sub not used: Carsley.

It's been a hectic last couple of weeks for the Rams' reserves, and the season still has a way to go. The second string meet Preston here on Tuesday night, then end the season at Middlesbrough on Thursday.

Saturday April 18th. 1992

PURITY LEAGUE

Derby County Yth 6

Peterborough Yth 1

Scorers: Mark Wood (2), Lee Carsley (2), Scot Handley, Own Goal.

Team: Thomson, Dakin, Weston, Sutton (sub: Magill), Blount, Wood, Carsley, Handley, Moore,

Loss, Anderson (sub: Allen).

Tuesday April 21st. 1992

PONTINS LEAGUE

Derby County Res. 3

Wigan Athletic Res. 1

Scorers: Gary Micklewhite, Mark Clarke, Own Goal.

Team: Taylor M, Round, Nicholson, Curtis, Phillips, Davidson, Micklewhite (sub: Sturridge), Stallard, Clarke, Hayward, Chalk. Sub not used: Taylor S.

Saturday April 25th. 1992

PURITY LEAGUE

Port Vale Yth 0

Derby County Yth 4

Scorers: Michael Moore (2 - 1pen), Scot Handley, Mark Wood. Team: Thomson, Matthews, Dakin, Sutton, Blount (sub: Magill), Moore, Carsley, Handley Wood (sub: McKeever), Anderson, Weston.

Monday April 27th. 1992

PONTINS LEAGUE

Derby County Res. 1

Blackpool Res. 0

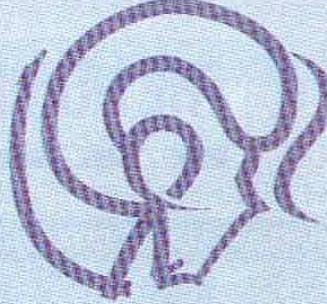
Scorer: Mark Stallard

Team: Taylor, Round, Nicholson, Coleman, Phillips (sub: Curtis), Davidson, Micklewhite, Stallard, Clarke, Hayward, Chalk (sub: Sturridge).



Derby County's on-going youth development policy received another couple of feathers in its hat when local youngsters Carl Cunningham and Shaun Murphy signed schoolboy forms with the Rams before our game against Oxford United three weeks ago. They are pictured here putting pen to paper in an on-the-pitch ceremony watched over by youth coach Richie Williams.

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Ram Magazine takes a look at one of the Club's younger players who is waiting in the wings

NAME: Wayne Anderson

AGE: 17 (20-9-74)

BIRTHPLACE: Darlington

HEIGHT: 5 ft. 8 in.

WEIGHT: 10 st. 10 lb.

POSITION: Midfielder

STATUS: Youth team

SIGNED PRO: Still trainee

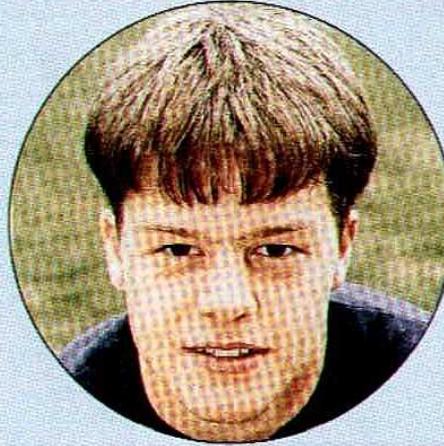
Wayne Anderson's name among the youth team's ranks is testimony to the 'dragnet' scouting policy of the Club, with talent from all corners of England being attracted to the Baseball Ground.

For Wayne, a first year trainee, not only hails from the north east town of Darlington, but also was one of the most sought after schoolboys of his era with a host of top clubs after his signature as a trainee.

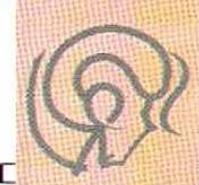
Midfielder Wayne had spells with all of the north east's professional clubs as well as spending time with Arsenal, Manchester United and Everton - among others - while making up his mind.

So why did Derby County come top of the pile? Wayne answers: "I was impressed with the set-up here when I came down and I felt that Derby County would develop me as a footballer.

"I think I've done quite well in my season with the Club. I've been involved in all but three games for the youth team this season and, with the experience and fitness that I've gained, I'm looking forward to next season and better things."



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THE NUMBERS GAME

As at 9am, Thursday, April 30th, 1992

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION TWO TABLE

	HOME							AWAY				
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ipswich Town	45	15	3	4	39	21	8	9	6	28	28	81
Middlesbrough	45	15	6	2	37	13	7	5	10	19	27	77
Leicester City	45	14	4	4	40	22	9	4	10	21	31	77
Derby County	45	10	4	8	33	23	12	5	6	34	27	75
Cambridge United	45	10	9	4	34	19	9	7	6	29	26	73
Blackburn Rovers	45	14	5	4	41	21	6	6	10	26	31	71
Charlton Athletic	45	9	7	7	25	23	11	4	7	29	24	71
Swindon Town	45	15	3	5	38	22	3	12	7	30	31	69
Portsmouth	45	14	6	2	39	12	4	6	13	24	39	66
Wolverhampton Wdtrs	45	11	6	5	35	22	7	4	12	25	30	64
Southend United	45	11	5	7	37	26	6	6	10	26	35	62
Watford	45	8	5	9	20	21	9	6	8	26	25	62
Tranmere Rovers	45	9	9	4	36	30	5	10	8	19	24	61
Bristol Rovers	45	10	9	3	42	29	5	5	13	17	34	59
Barnsley	45	11	4	8	27	25	5	7	10	19	30	59
Millwall	45	9	4	9	30	32	7	6	10	32	39	58
Bristol City	45	10	8	5	30	24	3	7	12	23	42	54
Sunderland	45	10	7	5	34	21	4	3	16	25	42	52
Grimsby Town	45	7	5	11	25	28	6	6	10	21	34	50
Newcastle United	45	9	8	6	38	30	3	5	14	26	53	49
Plymouth Argyle	45	11	5	6	25	23	2	4	17	16	38	48
Oxford United	45	10	6	7	39	90	2	5	15	25	42	47
Brighton & Hove Albion	45	7	7	9	36	37	5	4	13	19	37	47
Port Vale	45	7	8	7	23	24	3	7	13	19	34	45

FIRST TEAM ROLL-CALL 1991-92

Birthday	1991-92		1991-92		Rams		Career	
	League	Cups	League	Cups	League	Cups	League	Cups
Martyn Chalk	Aug 30	4(3)	1	3(1)	1	4(3)	1	-
Simon Coleman	Mar 13	42	2	7	-	42	2	147(4)
Andy Comyn	Aug 2	45	1	7	1	45	1	12(3)
Jon Davidson	Mar 1	1	-	1(1)	-	7(5)	-	-
Michael Forsyth	Mar 20	42	1	7	1	233	5	28(1)
Marco Gabbiadini	Jan 20	19	6	-	-	19	6	212(20)
Steve Hayward	Sep 8	3(4)	-	1(2)	-	4(7)	-	-
Tommy Johnson	Jan 15	11	1	-	-	11	1	100(18)
Jason Kavanagh	Nov 23	21(3)	-	2	-	26(9)	-	-
Paul Kitson	Jan 9	11	3	-	-	11	3	39(11)
Ted McMinn	Sep 28	34(2)	2	7	-	101(2)	6	119(32)
Gary Micklewhite	Mar 21	28(3)	2	4	1	219(14)	32	97(9)
Mark Patterson	Sep 13	8(4)	2	3(1)	-	23(9)	3	19(3)
Craig Ramage	Mar 30	6	2	-	-	29(6)	4	10
Steve Round	Nov 9	2(1)	-	-	-	2(1)	-	-
Mel Sage	Mar 24	17	-	1	-	137(3)	4	126(6)
Paul Simpson	Jul 26	15	7	-	-	15	7	236(26)
Steve Sutton	Apr 16	9	-	-	-	23	-	222
Martin Taylor	Dec 9	5	-	1	-	15	-	-
Geraint Williams	Jan 5	39	2	6	-	276(1)	9	138(3)
Paul Williams	Mar 26	41	13	7	3	67(3)	18	9

RESERVES ROLL-CALL 1991-92

Player	apps	gls
Robbie Briscoe	2	-
Mark Blount	2(1)	1
Lee Carsley	9(2)	-
Martyn Chalk	20(3)	4
Mark Clarke	6(4)	1
Tom Curtis	13	3
Jon Davidson	26	-
Phil Gee	9	7
Steve Hayward	22	2
Jason Kavanagh	15	-
Mark Patterson	8	1
Justin Phillips	18	-
Craig Ramage	6	-
Steve Round	22(2)	-
Kris Sleuruwenhoek	2(1)	-
Mark Stallard	8(3)	8
Dean Sturridge	16(4)	4
Steve Sutton	2	-
Martin Taylor	23	-
Steve Taylor	14(2)	2
Paul Williams	2	-
Kevin Wilson	15	-

YOUTH ROLL-CALL 1991-92

Player	apps	gls
Craig Allen	24	8
Wayne Anderson	21(5)	
Mark Blount	30	3
Steve Campbell	2	-
Lee Carsley	30	7
Kevin Cooper	15(4)	2
Mark Coppin	1(2)	-
Simon Dakin	13(12)	2
Craig Darkes	28	1
Steven Donnelly	1	-
Stuart Geddis	1(2)	-
Brian Johnson	(1)	-
Colin Loss	15(1)	-
Luke Magill	(2)	-
Nigel McKeever	8(4)	
Michael Moore	26(2)	13
Ian Scott	1(3)	1
Mark Stallard	24	17
Wayne Sutton	26(1)	7
Jon Thomson	27	-
Peter Weston	29	7
Mark Wood	5(4)	1

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES 1991-92

Date	v	K-O	Opponents	Res	Att	Pts	Pos
Aug 17	A	3.0	Sunderland	1-1	20,509	1	-
Aug 21	H	7.30	Middlesbrough	2-0	12,805	4	-
Aug 24	H	3.0	Southend United	1-2	12,284	4	-
Sep 1	A	3.0	Charlton Athletic	2-0	6,602	7	5
Sep 4	H	7.30	Blackburn Rovers	0-2	12,078	7	9
Sep 7	H	3.0	Barnsley	1-1	10,559	8	10
Sep 13	A	7.45	Cambridge United	0-0	7,923	9	12
Sep 18	A	7.30	Oxford United	0-2	4,319	9	15
Sep 21	H	3.0	Brighton & Hove Albion	3-1	12,004	12	11
Sep 25	H	7.30	Ipswich Town [RC 2(1)]	0-0	10,215	-	-
Sep 28	A	3.0	Newcastle United	2-2	17,581	13	13
Oct 5	H	3.0	Bristol City	4-1	11,880	16	8
Oct 8	A	7.45	Ipswich Town [RC 2(2)]	2-0	8,957	-	-
Oct 12	A	3.0	Swindon Town	2-1	11,883	19	6
Oct 19	H	3.0	Portsmouth	2-0	13,190	22	6
Oct 22	A	7.30	Middlesbrough (ZDS 2)	2-4	6,385	-	-
Oct 26	A	3.0	Millwall	2-1	7,660	25	6
Oct 29	A	7.30	Oldham Athletic (RC 3)	1-2	11,219	-	-
Nov 2	H	3.0	Tranmere Rovers	0-1	11,500	25	6
Nov 6	A	7.30	Port Vale	0-1	8,589	25	7
Nov 9	A	3.0	Wolverhampton Wdrs	3-2	15,672	28	6
Nov 16	H	3.0	Ipswich Town	1-0	12,493	31	3
Nov 23	A	2.0	Bristol Rovers	3-2	6,513	34	3
Nov 30	H	3.0	Leicester City	1-2	19,306	34	3
Dec 7	A	3.0	Watford	2-1	8,302	37	4
Dec 26	H	3.0	Grimsby Town	0-0	16,392	38	6
Dec 28	H	3.0	Charlton Athletic	1-2	14,367	38	8
Jan 1	A	3.0	Middlesbrough	1-1	16,288	39	8
Jan 4	A	3.0	Burnley (FA Cup 3)	2-2	18,793	-	-
Jan 11	A	3.0	Southend United	0-1	8,295	39	9
Jan 18	H	3.0	Sunderland	1-2	15,384	39	11
Jan 25	H	3.0	Burnley (FA Cup 3R)	2-0	18,364	-	-
Feb 1	A	3.0	Portsmouth	1-0	12,008	42	11
Feb 5	H	7.45	Aston Villa (FA Cup 4)	3-4	22,452	-	-
Feb 8	H	3.0	Millwall	0-2	12,773	42	11
Feb 11	A	7.45	Blackburn Rovers	0-2	15,350	42	11
Feb 15	H	3.0	Bristol Rovers	1-0	11,154	45	10
Feb 22	A	3.0	Leicester City	2-1	18,148	48	9
Feb 29	H	3.0	Watford	3-1	14,052	51	6
Mar 7	A	3.0	Plymouth Argyle	1-1	8,864	52	6
Mar 11	H	7.30	Port Vale	3-1	15,345	55	4
Mar 14	A	3.0	Tranmere Rovers	3-4	10,386	55	7
Mar 21	H	3.0	Wolverhampton Wdrs	1-2	21,024	55	9
Mar 25	H	7.30	Plymouth Argyle	2-0	13,799	58	5
Mar 28	A	3.0	Ipswich Town	1-2	15,305	58	8
Apr 1	H	7.30	Cambridge United	0-0	15,353	59	7
Apr 4	A	3.0	Barnsley	3-0	10,121	62	5
Apr 7	A	7.45	Grimsby Town	1-0	7,040	65	4
Apr 11	H	3.0	Oxford United	2-2	15,555	66	5
Apr 15	A	7.30	Brighton & Hove Albion	2-1	8,156	69	4
Apr 20	H	3.0	Newcastle United	4-1	21,364	72	3
Apr 25	A	3.0	Bristol City	2-1	16,658	75	4
May 2	H	3.0	Swindon Town				
May 10	-	-	Play Off [SF(1)]				
May 13	-	-	Play Off [SF(2)]				
May 25	-	-	Play Off Final				

Jan 14 H 7.30 **Burnley (E. A. Cup 3R)*** 2A0 17.621

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Res	Att	Pts	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub	Sub
1-1	20,509	1	-	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Gee	Harford'	Williams P	McMinn	Pickering	Cross(8)
2-0	12,805	4	-	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn'	M'klewhite	Gee	Harford'	Williams P	McMinn	Pickering	Cross
1-2	12,284	4	-	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Gee	Harford	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Pickering (8)	Cross
2-0	6,602	7	5	Taylor	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Gee	Harford'	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Pickering	Cross(11)
0-2	12,078	7	9	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Gee	Harford	Williams P	McMinn	Hayward(7)	Cross(8)
1-1	10,559	8	10	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Gee	Harford	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Hebberd	Cross(8)
0-0	7,923	9	12	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Gee	Ramage	Williams P	McMinn	Hayward(9)	Kavanagh
0-2	4,319	9	15	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Gee	Hayward	Williams P	McMinn	Patterson(10)	Stallard(8)
3-1	12,004	12	11	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Davison'	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Hayward	P'terson(7)'
0-0	10,215	-	-	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gee	Williams P	McMinn	Hayward(9)	Patterson(7)
2-2	17,581	13	13	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Or'm'droyd'	Davison'	Williams P	McMinn	Gee	Patterson(2)
4-1	11,880	16	8	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klew'te	Ormondroyd	Davison'	Williams P	McMinn	Gee	Patterson
2-0	8,957	-	-	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gee'	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Hayward	Davidson
2-1	11,883	19	6	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gee'	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Hayward	Davidson
2-0	13,190	22	6	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gee	WilliamsP'	McMinn'	Hayward	Patterson
2-4	6,385	-	-	Taylor	Patterson	Forsyth	Hayward	Coleman	Comyn	M'klew'te	Gee	Stallard'	Williams P	McMinn	Chalk(9)	Davidson(10)
2-1	7,660	25	6	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Or'm'droyd'	Davison'	Williams P	McMinn	Gee	Hayward
1-2	11,219	-	-	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth'	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gee	Williams P	McMinn	Hayward(9)	Patterson
0-1	11,500	25	6	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Davison	Williams P	Gee	Hayward	Patterson
0-1	8,589	25	7	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Davison	Williams P	Gee	Patterson	Hayward
3-2	15,672	28	6	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Or'm'droyd'	Davison'	Williams P	Gee	Patterson	Hayward
1-0	12,493	31	3	Shilton	Sage	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Davison'	Williams P	McMinn	Gee	Hayward(2)
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1-2	19,306	34	3	Shilton	Patterson	Kavanagh	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Or'm'droyd'	Davison	Williams P	McMinn	Gee	Hayward
2-1	8,302	37	4	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Or'm'droyd'	Gee	Williams P	McMinn	Kavanagh	Chalk
0-0	16,392	38	6	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gee	Williams P	McMinn	Kavanagh	Chalk(9)
1-2	14,367	38	8	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Or'm'droyd'	Gee	Williams P	McMinn	Kavanagh(7)	Chalk(9)
1-1	16,288	39	8	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Chalk'	Ormondroyd	Stallard	Williams P	McMinn	Kavanagh	Hayward
2-2	18,793	-	-	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn'	Chalk'	Ormondroyd	Stallard	Williams P	McMinn	Kavanagh	Hayward
0-1	8,295	39	9	Shilton	Patterson	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Chalk	Ormondroyd	Stallard	Davidson	Sturridge	Kavanagh(3)	Hayward(11)
1-2	15,384	39	11	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	WilliamsG'	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gee	Hayward	McMinn	Chalk(7)	Davidson
2-0	18,364	-	-	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Chalk	Or'm'droyd'	Gee	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Stallard	Davidson
1-0	12,008	42	11	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Chalk	Ormondroyd	Gabb'dini'	Williams P	McMinn	Gee	Davidson
3-4	22,452	-	-	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Chalk	Ormondroyd	Gee'	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Stallard(7)	Davidson(2)
0-2	12,773	42	11	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Chalk	Ormondroyd	Gabbiadini	Williams P	McMinn	M'klew'te(7)	Gee
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1-0	11,154	45	10	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman'	Comyn	M'klewhite	Ormondroyd	Gabbiadini	Williams P	McMinn	Gee(9)	Chalk
2-1	18,148	48	9	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	McMinn	Or'm'droyd'	Gabbiadini	Williams P	Simpson'	M'klewhite	Gee
3-1	14,052	51	6	Shilton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	McMinn	Ormondroyd	Gabbiadini	WilliamsP'	Simpson	M'klewhite	Gee
1-1	8,864	52	6	Taylor	Kavanagh	Round	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	McMinn	Ormondroyd	Gabbiadini	Williams P	Simpson'	M'klew'te(7)	Gee
3-1	15,345	55	4	Taylor	Kavanagh	Round	WilliamsG'	Coleman	Comyn	M'klewhite	Kitson	Gabb'dini'	Williams P	Simpson'	Davidson	Chalk
3-4	10,386	55	7	Taylor	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman'	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson'	Gabbiadini	Williams P	Simpson'	M'cklewhite	Round
1-2	21,024	55	9	Taylor	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson'	Gabbiadini	Williams P	Simpson	McMinn(11)	M'klewhite
2-0	13,799	58	5	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson'	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Williams P	Simpson	McMinn(10)'	M'klewhite
1-2	15,305	58	8	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson	Gabbiadini	McMinn	Simpson'	M'klewhite	Round
0-0	15,353	59	7	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams G	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson	Gabbiadini	McMinn	Simpson	M'klewhite	Round
3-0	10,121	62	5	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth'	WilliamsP'	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson	Gabbiadini	McMinn	Simpson'	M'klewhite	Round(10)
1-0	7,040	65	4	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams P	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson	Gabb'dini'	Ramage	Simpson	M'klewhite	Round
2-2	15,555	66	5	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	WilliamsP'	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson	Gabbiadini	Ramage	Simpson'	M'klewhite	Round
2-1	8,156	69	4	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams P	Coleman	Comyn	Johnson	M'klewhite	Gabb'dini'	Ramage	Simpson	Round	Stallard
4-1	21,364	72	3	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	WilliamsP'	McMinn	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson'	Gabbiadini	Ramage'	Simpson	M'klewhite	Round
2-1	16,658	75	4	Sutton	Kavanagh	Forsyth	Williams P	McMinn	Comyn	Johnson	Kitson	Gabb'dini'	Ramage	Simpson	M'klew'te(8)'	Round

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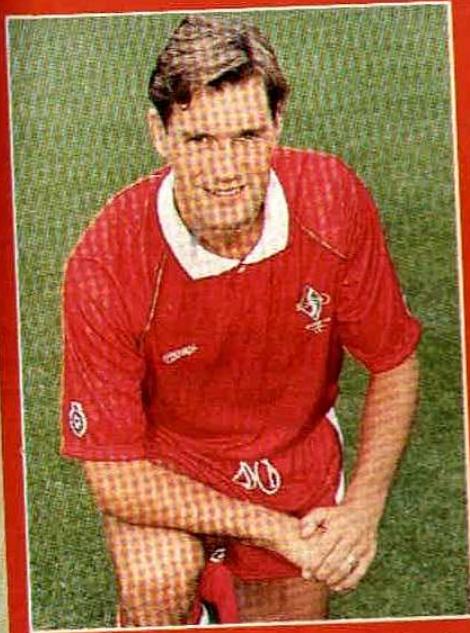
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Hoddle wins his Spurs

Glenn Hoddle took over as Swindon's player-manager last March, but despite the tributes he has earned since, the great memories of Glenn are of him in the white shirt of Spurs or England. During his great days at Tottenham in the seventies and eighties, he played for England 53 times, and for many supporters that total was half what he ought to have won. He served his apprenticeship at White Hart Lane, winning England youth caps during his early days. A League debut followed in 1975 and, within three months, he was in the England under-21 side. He won 12 caps at that level, but in the same year as he made his under-21 bow, he also won full international honours, playing against Bulgaria at Wembley in November 1975. With Tottenham, he won two FA Cup winners' medals, before leaving for top French club Monaco in an £800,000 deal in 1987. He enjoyed a couple of happy seasons in French football but a serious knee injury caused the termination of his contract and his chance to move into management was offered to him by Swindon after Ossie Ardiles - another former Spurs playmaker - had left for Newcastle.

THE MATCH Derby vs. Swindon Town

Direct promotion or play-off prize?

Derby County sit 90 minutes away from a possible automatic return to the First Division this afternoon, and we go into today's big game with Swindon knowing that the worst we can finish is in the play-offs.

Unbeaten for seven games, the Rams' win at Bristol City last weekend coupled with defeat for Charlton in midweek means that we cannot finish outside of the top six...but the eyes are still firmly fixed on the direct route up offered by the Second Division's runner-up spot.

For that to happen, we have got to win here today and both Leicester and Middlesbrough drop points. This really is a crucial last day of the season.

Swindon's last chance of breaking into the promotion play-offs all but disappeared at Roker Park on Monday evening when they were held to a goalless draw against Sunderland.

Charlton's defeat at home to Tranmere kept the door open slightly for the Robins but Blackburn's midweek game at home to Sunderland - a match which was played after the Ram Magazine deadline - could well have slammed that shut in their faces.

A victory over the now secure Cup finalists by Kenny Dalglish's men will have put the top six beyond Swindon this afternoon, and if that is the case, then Glenn Hoddle will be left to reflect on what might have been if they had managed more wins away from home.

The Robins have not won away from home in the League since succeeding 2-0 at Brighton back in October. Though they have drawn a high proportion of away games, they have lacked that killer instinct and turned in only three away wins all season - at Ipswich (4-1),

Plymouth (4-0) and Brighton (2-0). Amazingly they have drawn no fewer than 12 away games this season. Had they been able to turn a few of those into victories and Swindon would have been sitting comfortably in the play-offs by now.

It almost seemed as if Swindon had abandoned their promotion hopes when they agreed to sell their prolific goalscorer Duncan Shearer to Blackburn for £750,000 shortly before the March transfer deadline. Especially when you consider that their other highly rated talent, midfield player Fitzroy Simpson, had been cashed in for £500,000 worth of Manchester City's money only a few weeks earlier.

Republic of Ireland international Gary Waddock, signed on loan from QPR, initially took over Simpson's role, while striker Terry Gibson, on loan from Wimbledon, has stepped into Shearer's boots. And that must be one of the most difficult tasks in football at the moment. Shearer had been top scorer every season since joining the club from Huddersfield in 1988. Following his 16 goal hit in 88-89, he scored 27 and 23 over the next two seasons and had 32 goals to his credit this term before his move to Ewood Park.

Welcome to Chemsearch, our main match sponsors this afternoon, and in particular to Shane Fox, a familiar face around the Baseball Ground.

We also extend a warm welcome to main sponsor Auto Windscreens and their guests, and to our Mitre Matchball sponsor Paul Winson Coaches, supplier of executive travel coaches to the Rams' team and supporters.

We hope that all of our sponsors and their guests enjoy the game.

The Match

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Our final mascot of the regulation 1991-92 season is 11 year old Rams fanatic Sarah Fearn from Caxton Street, Sunnyhill, Derby. Despite her tender years, Sarah is already a Derby County 'old stager' having been a Baseball Ground season ticket holder for almost half of her life.

"I really enjoy coming to the Baseball Ground to watch Derby County," enthuses the Normanton Junior School pupil. "I've been coming to watch the Rams since I was seven years old."

Sarah likes it best when Flying Scotsman Ted McMinn is in the team - "He's my favourite player," she admits.

When not watching Derby, Sarah enjoys swimming, roller-booting and collecting badges and key-rings.

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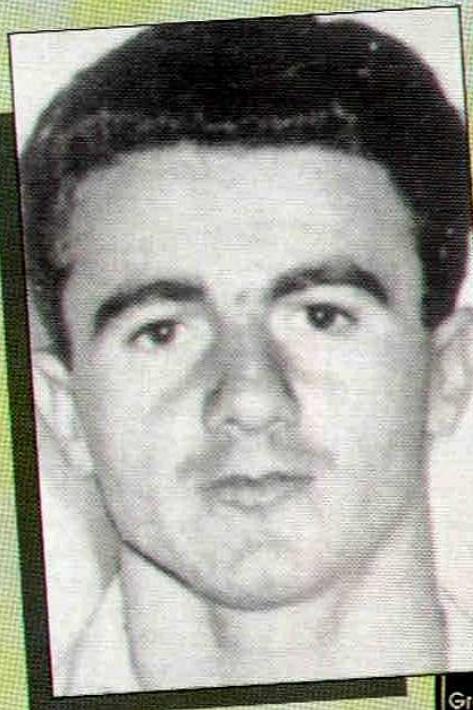
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THE MATCH *Swindon revisited*



Derby County last met Swindon Town in the League at the Baseball Ground on Saturday February 13th 1965. Swindon were struggling to avoid relegation, while the Rams were in fifth place in Division Two.

In spite of the 4-1 scoreline in Derby's favour, the Rams never really clicked going forward with Alan Durban, the

creative lynch pin of the team having an off day. While Durban was strangely hesitant, the Rams' skipper Jack Parry was the star of the

When looking for connections between Derby County and Swindon Town, two Rams' defenders spring to mind.

Dave Mackay, who joined the Rams from Spurs in 1968, captained the Rams to the Second Division title in 1969 and enjoyed a full season back in the top flight before moving to Swindon in May 1971 to become their player manager.

Later he moved to Nottingham Forest as manager, before returning to the Baseball Ground to replace Brian Clough in October 1973. He played 145 games for the Rams, scoring seven goals and earned the total respect of the Derby public.

Ross

CONNECTIONS

MacLaren joined the Rams from Shrewsbury Town in July 1985. He was ever present for his first two seasons with the Rams, seeing the club from the Third to the First Divisions.

In that first season he won the supporters Player of the Year award, but with Mark Wright coming to Derby in 1987 Ross lost his place at the centre of defence and, not being able to command a regular place, he moved to Swindon in July 1988 with a fee being set by a tribunal, which had also occurred when he moved to Baseball Ground. He played 148 competitive games for the Rams, nine as a substitute, and scored five goals.

SUPPLY THE REST



by Mike Wilson **THE MATCH**

Parry brace halts Swindon

show. Apart from scoring two goals, he was one of the few players to master the wintry conditions, made even more difficult by a swirling wind. He showed class in finding space with ease, and his distribution was not only imaginative but accurate.

With the attack struggling the defence and midfield bore the brunt of the action and, particularly in the first 20 minutes, Swindon had Derby rocking with some attractive football.

However, having ridden the storm the Rams took a commanding lead with two goals in three minutes just before the half hour. Thomas worked the ball well in a confined space to start the move, finding Ian Buxton on the flank.

He beat McPherson neatly and crossed for John Bowers to run and head an excellent goal.

Shortly after, Buxton was on the scoresheet himself when he received a pass from Bobby Ferguson to turn a crack a powerful shot into the net.

The Rams were 3-0 up after 50 minutes with the first of Parry's brace. It was his first goal of the

season and followed a move which saw Buxton on the right sweep a 40 yard pass to Bowers on the left.

He came inside Dawson and rolled the ball back for Parry to thunder a 20 yard shot into the net.

Parry's second and Derby's fourth came on the hour. Webster took a pass from Durban and ran on to push the ball to Parry, the Rams' skipper again powering in a shot just inside the post.

Swindon reduced the arrears with 15 minutes remaining when Rogers passed to Hunt who transferred the pass to Summerbee who scored from close range.

The teams were:

Derby County: Matthews, Barrowcliffe, Ferguson, Webster, Young, Parry, Hughes, Thomas, Buxton, Durban, Bowers.

Swindon Town: Hicks, Dawson, Trollope, Smart, McPherson, Atherton, Summerbee, Hunt, Brown, Atkins, Rogers.

Referee: B S Fetchell (Luton)
Attendance: 10,264



The Rams v The Robins Football League Record

Biggest Victory

4-1: February 13th, 1965 (h)

Heaviest Defeat

2-4: October 3rd, 1964 (a)

Last Home Win

4-1: February 13th, 1965

Last Away Win

2-1: October 12th, 1991

Last Home Draw

Never Achieved

Last Away Draw

0-0: November 30th, 1963

Last Home Defeat

Never Achieved

Last Away Defeat

2-4: October 3rd, 1964

First Meeting

0-0: November 30th, 1963 (a)

Last Meeting

2-1: October 12th, 1991 (a)

Full League Record

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	2	2	0	0	7	1
Away	3	1	1	1	4	5
	5	3	1	1	11	6

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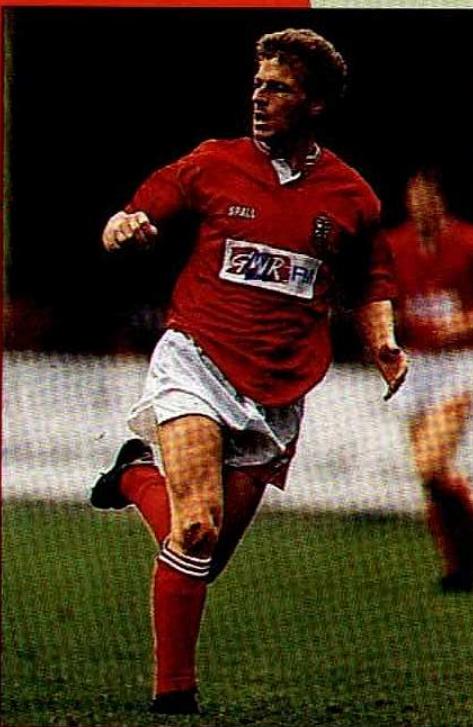
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THE MEN WHO MAKE TOWN TICK...

MICKY HAZARD

Midfielder Mick is the man that helps make Swindon tick. An experienced campaigner, Mick had made 100 senior appearances for Spurs even before he moved to Chelsea in 1986. He moved on to Portsmouth in 1990 before Swindon stepped in with a £130,000 cheque last season.



FRASER DIGBY

The former England under-21 goalkeeper has played more than 200 senior games for Swindon Town and is a highly rated young stopper. But he has been pushed all the way by reserve Nicky Hammond for his place this season.

DAVID KERSLAKE

Right-back David was signed from QPR for £110,000 in November 1989 and is a key figure in Swindon's playing system with his strong runs down the right. He joined Rangers as a schoolboy, making his League debut in 1985. He played for the England under-21s against Turkey in October of the same year.

ROSS MACLAREN

Former Ram Ross moved from the Baseball Ground to Swindon four seasons ago, having helped Derby win the 1987 Second Division title. With the Rams, Edinburgh born Ross played as a conventional central defender but at Swindon he normally occupies the key position just in front or behind the back four.

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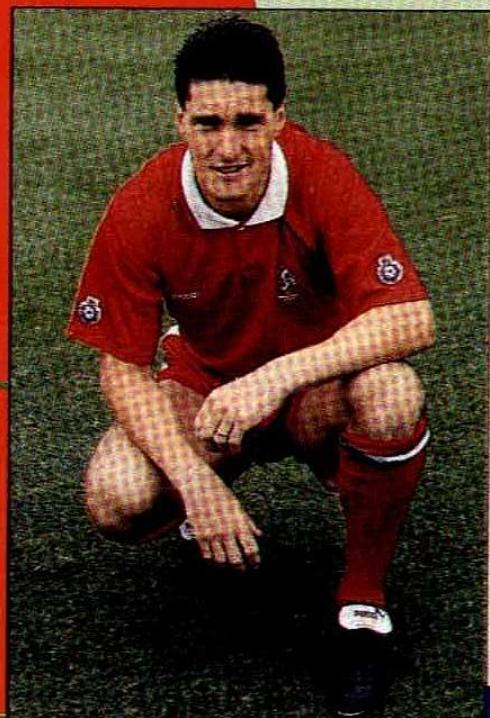
BODIN, Paul: Left-back

Paul returned to Swindon in January for £225,000. He had spent only 11 months with Crystal Palace following a £350,000 move to Selhurst Park the previous March, yet still Paul was able to add a loan spell at Newcastle to his list of clubs. Paul was once on the books of Chelsea and Newport, but he did not make his League debut until after joining Cardiff in 1982. He went non-League with bath City for a while in the mid eighties but returned to the professional ranks with Newport and then Swindon during the 1987-88 season. He has 12 Wales caps and one from the under-21s.

CALDERWOOD, Colin: Colin started as a defender with Mansfield but, since his transfer to Swindon in 1985, he has played in midfield as well. He partnered Derby's own Simon Coleman - another Mansfield starter - at the centre of defence in the Second Division representative game in Italy earlier this season.

CLOSE, Shaun: Shaun, a forward, was signed from Bournemouth in September 1989. He opened his professional career with Tottenham, but made only nine League appearances before moving on to Bournemouth in 1988.

GIBSON, Terry: Terry is on loan from Wimbledon, signed just before the transfer deadline following the departure of top scorer Duncan Shearer. Terry was an FA Cup winner with the Dons in 1988, having previously performed for Manchester United, Coventry and Spurs. England capped him at youth and schoolboy levels.



HAMMOND, Nicky: Nicky, another up and coming young goalkeeper at the County Ground, was a reserve player at Arsenal at the start of his career. He made his League debut while on loan to Bristol Rovers in 1986 and moved to Swindon in the following year.

THE MATCH

The visitors

Swindon

1991-92



JONES, Tom: Tom, a midfielder, joined Swindon from Aberdeen three seasons ago. He was previously in non-League soccer with Weymouth so he literally moved from one end of the country to the other to join the Dons in 1987.

LING, Martin: Midfielder Martin is now in his second spell with the club, having played over 100 League games for Exeter before initially joining the club in 1986. Within weeks of his arrival though he was transferred to Southend. He returned to Swindon on loan last season, with a full transfer being completed during the summer.

MITCHELL, David: David, an Australian international forward, was signed from Chelsea for £30,000 last summer. He started with Glasgow Rangers and then, after 25 appearances, moved abroad to Eintracht Frankfurt of Germany and, later, Feyenoord of Holland. Chelsea paid £200,000 for him in December 1988.

MONCUR, John: Midfielder John is a recent £80,000 signing from Tottenham. He made his League debut for the White Hart Lane club in 1987. Later, he played on loan for Doncaster, Cambridge, Portsmouth, Brentford and Ipswich.

Back row: Colin Calderwood, Adrian Viveash, Richard Green, Fraser Digby, Shaun Taylor, Nicky Hammond, David Mitchell, Nestor Lorenzo, Steve White.

Middle row: John Trollope (youth team manager), Nicky Summerbee, Darren Hall, Paul Trollope, Edwin Murray, Fitzroy Simpson, Shaun Close, Steve Foley, Martin Ling, Andy Rowland (reserve team manager).

Front row: Kevin Morris (physio), Paul Hunt, David Bennett, Ross McLaren, Duncan Shearer, Glenn Hoddle (manager), John Gorman (assistant manager), Tom Jones, David Kerslake, Micky Hazard, Eddie Buckley (kit manager).

SUMMERBEE, Nick: Nick, a defender, joined Swindon as a trainee. He was an occasional first-teamer until winning a firm place in the first team squad earlier this season.

TAYLOR, Shaun: Defender Shaun was signed from Exeter for £200,000 last summer. He joined the Grecians as a junior, making more than 200 senior appearances following his debut in 1986.

WADDOCK, Gary: Gary, a midfielder, is on loan from QPR. He spent eight seasons at Loftus Road before moving on to French club Charleroi and, later, Millwall. He returned to QPR this season but struggled to make an impact. Gary has 20 Republic of Ireland caps to his name.

VIVEASH, Adrian: Swindon born Adrian, a defender, progressed through the ranks at the

County Ground, starting his career as a winger. He was converted into a left back and featured in the latter part of last season, although he lasted only 21 minutes in his debut against Middlesbrough before he was substituted.

In charge today is 40 years old training executive Mike Reed of West Heath in Birmingham.

Mr Reed started refereeing almost twenty years ago in the Birmingham and District Works AFA, moving on to the West Midlands Regional League in 1978.

He was appointed to the Football League's Linesmen's list in 1982 and was upgraded to a League ref seven seasons ago, in 1985.

Since then he has officiated at two FA Cup semi-finals and in a UEFA Cup match in Italy. He is married and enjoys gardening, photography and most other sports.

The Match

TODAY'S REFEREE



DIARY

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION TWO PLAY OFF SEMI FINAL HOME LEG ALL TICKET GAME

Derby County go into today's match against Swindon Town in the knowledge that a place in the Second Division Play Offs is the least reward to be gained this season.

Should the Rams win this afternoon, and both Middlesbrough and Leicester City fail to do so, then Derby will be promoted automatically. If that is not the case, then the following information will apply.

The Play Off semi-finals will be played on a two leg, home and away basis with the first leg being played on Sunday May 10th and the return on Wednesday May 13th.

The team finishing third in the table will meet the team that finished sixth, while the team in fourth place will play the team that finished fifth. The two highest finishing clubs will have home advantage in the second leg.

As this information is not available at the moment, the following ticket details will apply for any home leg involving Derby County. ***no matter if it is played on May 10th or May 13th. (Kick-off time to be announced)***

Seat and Terrace Season Ticket holders may purchase their usual tickets from the ticket office from Sunday May 3rd to Wednesday May 6th at the prices listed above. (Special Match Voucher D must be produced.)

Any unclaimed seats will go on general sale from Thursday May 7th until sold.

Popular Side Terrace tickets priced at £5.50 each will be available to holders of priority ticket vouchers issued at the home game against Newcastle from Sunday May 3rd to Wednesday May 6th. Thereafter any remaining tickets will be put on general sale until sold.

Postal applications and credit card bookings will both be accepted for this game. Postal applicants must enclose a stamped addressed envelope and the correct remittance, and season ticket holders are reminded that they must ensure that their postal applications are received by the ticket office by no later than first post on Wednesday May 6th.

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BARCLAYS PLAY OFF FINAL PRIORITY TICKET VOUCHER.

Should Derby County be involved in the Second Division Play Off final at Wembley on Monday May 25th, this voucher entitles the holder to purchase one ticket for the game within a period to be announced by the Club.

Photo-copies of this voucher will not be accepted

Ticket Prices:

'B' Stand	£11
Co-op Stand Centre (Adult)	£10
All other stands (Adult)	£9
Key Club seating (Adult)	£6
Key Club seating (Child)	£4
Popular Side Terracing	£5.50

Juvenile and OAP season ticket holders may claim their seat tickets at £6.

Office Opening Hours:

Sunday, May 3rd: 9am to 4pm
Monday to Friday: 9am to 6pm
Saturday, May 9th: 9am to 1pm

TICKET UPDATE

Play-off details

With the end of season play-offs resting on this afternoon's matches, exact ticket and fixture information will not be known until all of today's results are in.

However, should the Rams be involved in the play-offs, ticket information will be broadcast on Derby County's official Ticket and Prize line on 0898 332213 from 6pm this evening.

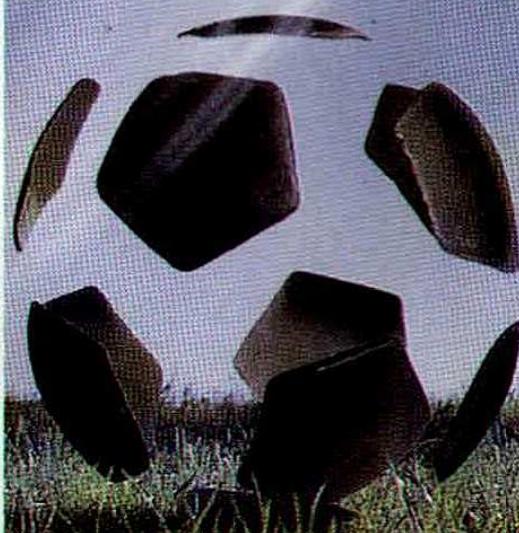
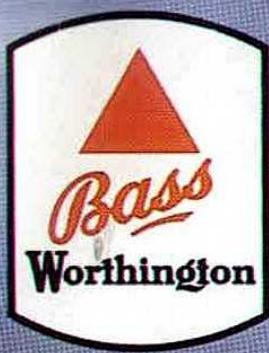
This line, a new service for Derby County supporters, is updated from inside the Baseball Ground and exact availability information will be broadcast each day, with updates at regular intervals to ensure the very latest ticket news.

Calls cost 36pence per minute cheap rate and 48pence per minute at all other times.

Season Ticket details

The prices for 1992-93 Baseball Ground season tickets have been released today and full pricing details will be broadcast on the official Derby County Ticket and Prize line from Monday morning.

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Andy Comyn	6	Shaun Taylor
Tommy Johnson	7	Micky Hazard
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