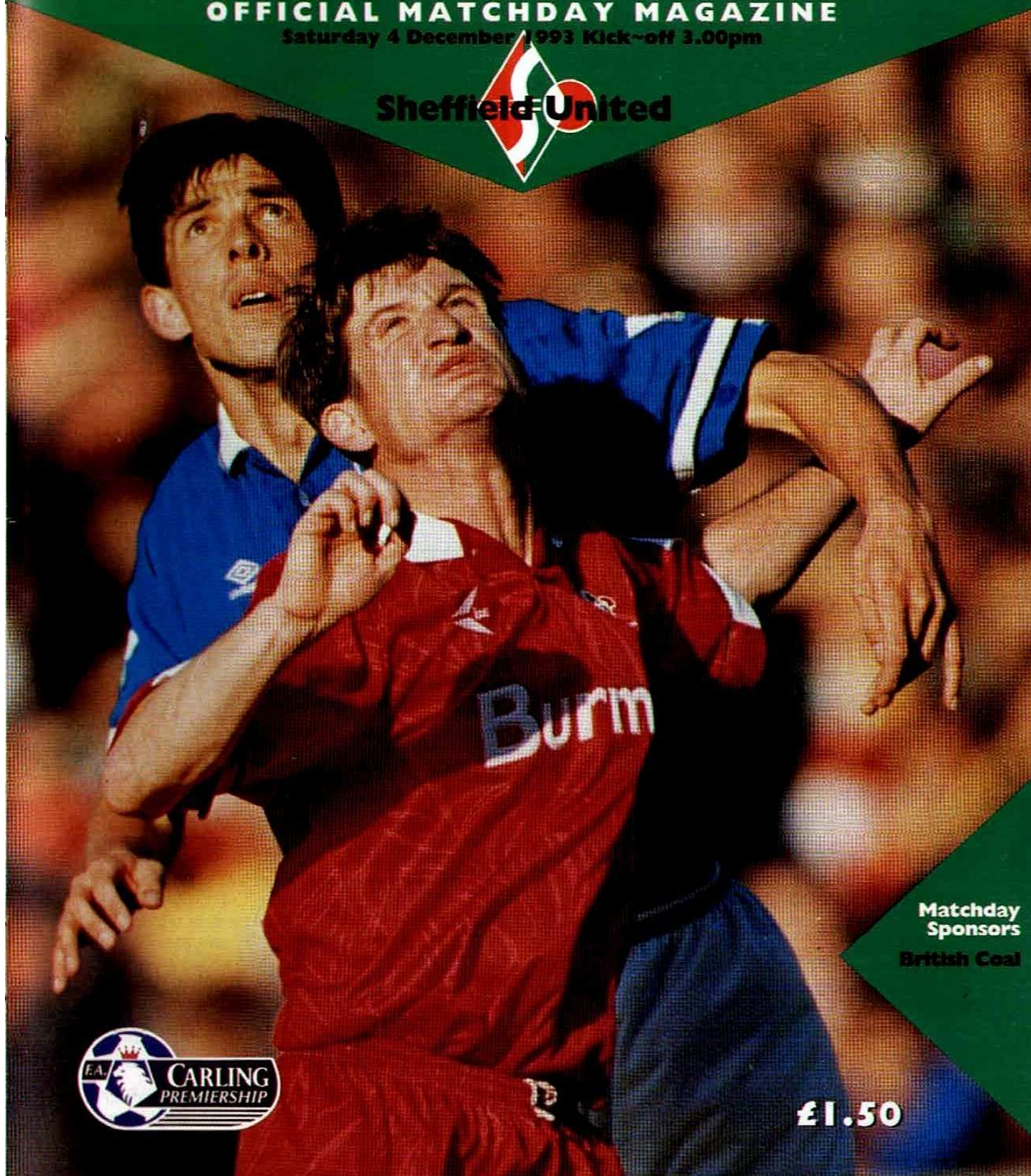


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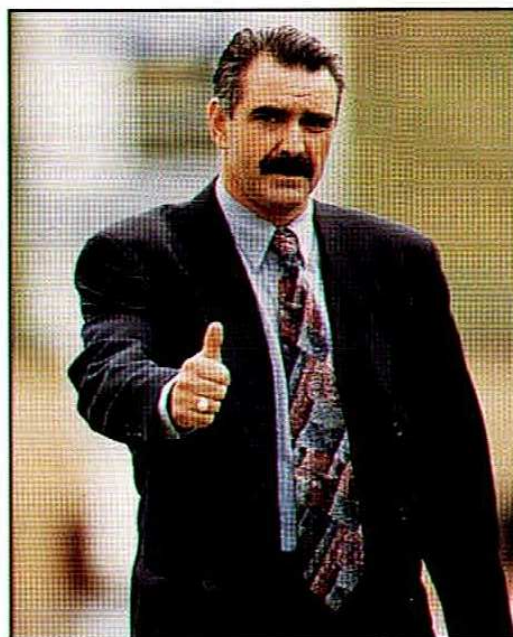


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**John Gorman**

### **One begins to wonder just how frustrating this game can get.**

There we were at Elland Road last week full of confidence and eager to get on with it following that great victory over QPR midweek. In fairness Leeds started well and it took us 20-minutes or so to sort things out but once we did we looked the more positive side.

We took the game to them and fashioned what must have been at least five good chances. Paul Bodin went close twice, Andy Mutch had a good effort deflected wide; John Moncur was within an inch of a goal and Kevin Horlock clipped the post.

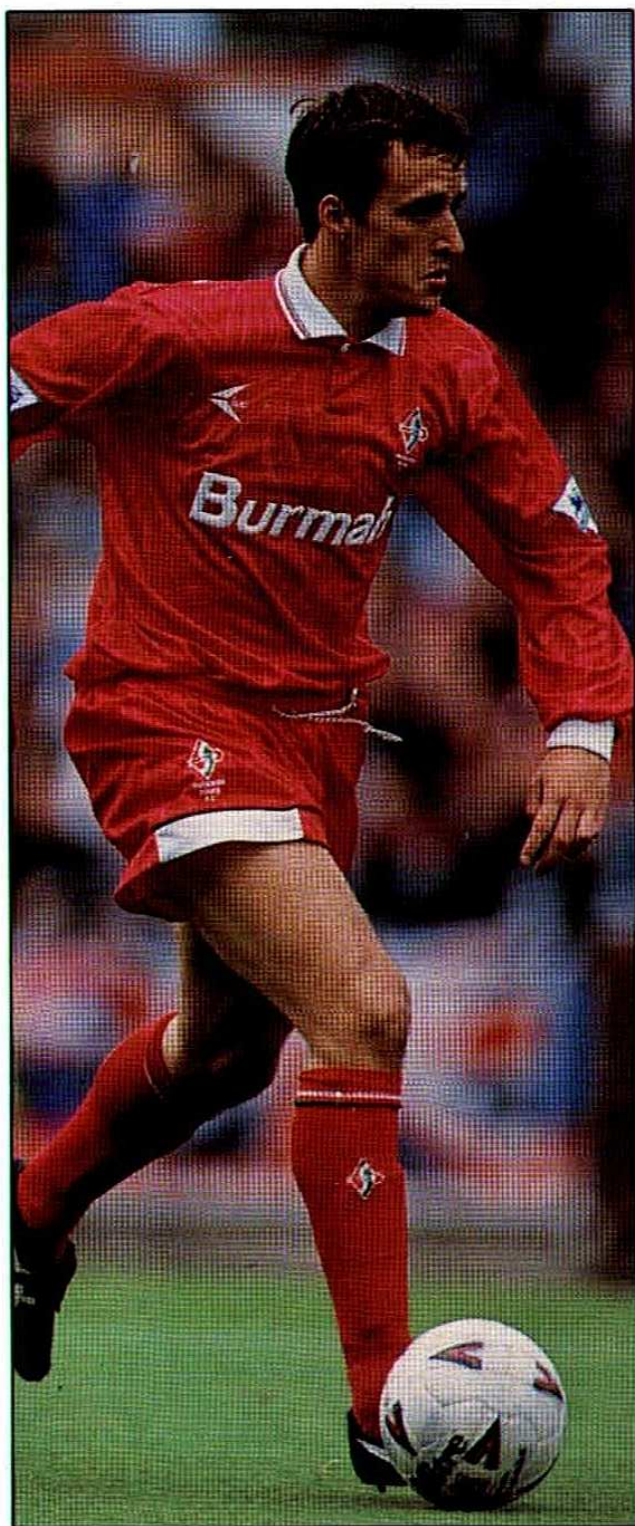
Then it all went wrong in the last nine minutes. There are no excuses. We were indecisive for the first lob through from Strachan - yet even after that we had the chance of an equaliser - before Strachan caught us out again with another quality through ball.

It was so frustrating. To come off with a 3-0 defeat ringing in our ears.

Perhaps we suffered from mental fatigue rather than physical. This is not an excuse but after the concentration the lads put in against Queens Park Rangers, when we played most of the game with ten men there was bound to be a reaction.

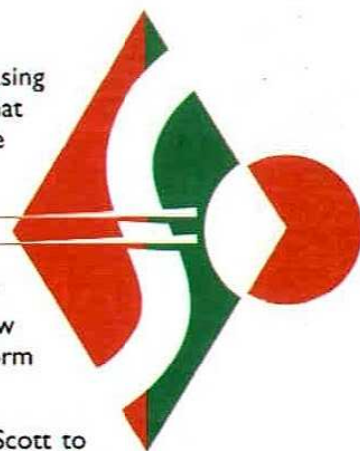
No doubt you all enjoyed that win over Rangers. It was a special night which got us off the ground at last. It was that Wembley feeling all over again. The encouragement from the fans was fantastic. We need support like that in every game as you are like an extra man to us.





**Nicky Summerbee**

One of the most pleasing aspects for me was that even though we were reduced to ten men following the sending-off of Luc we continued to play good football. It really was a magnificent show against one of the in-form teams.



It was nice for Keith Scott to score the historic goal that clinched our first win in the Premiership. He made a great impression on his debut against Ipswich, a game I felt we deserved to win.

Just another note on the draw with Ipswich I must mention Paul Bodin's penalty, after what he went through a few days earlier with Wales it took some nerve. But that is it. Paul just epitomises the sort of character we have in the side, the sort of character we all believe will eventually lift us up the Premiership ladder.

You have probably heard that we have promoted Ross MacLaren to the position of player coach. Ross, though still very much a first team player - he was on the bench at Leeds - will concentrate on assisting Andy Rowland develop our younger professionals.

Andy is doing a magnificent job in this area but really needs some help and Ross is an ideal candidate. Our recent tactical switch which has abandoned the sweeper role has left Ross out of the side but this does not mean we will not revert to that strategy again in the future. Our tactics remain flexible according to the circumstances.

Anyway, due to this appointment, Shaun Taylor now becomes Club Captain. Shaun leads by example and has proved by his tremendous attitude that he will do a great job for us.

Finally, a warm welcome to Dave Bassett who I have always got on well with. If any manager can appreciate our current demise it is he of course and we aim to follow his example and play in the Premier League next season.

# John Gorman 3



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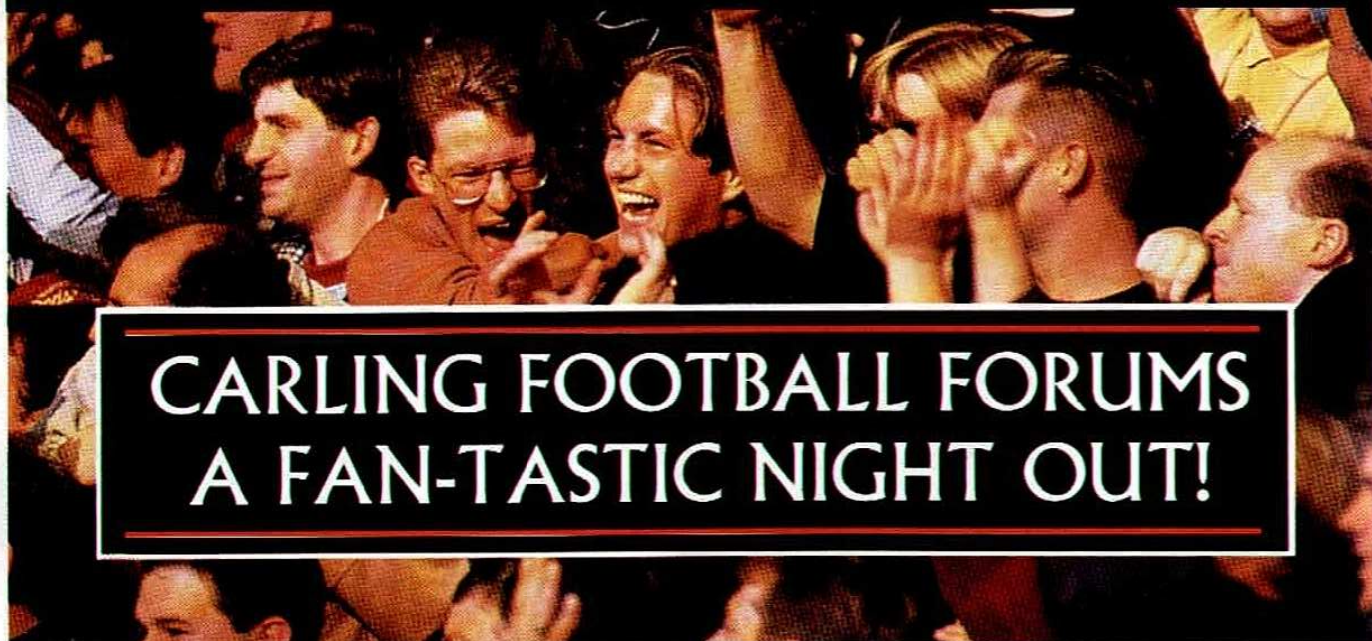
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# This is ... Swindon



**WITH**

**Jon Pollard** ~ Secretary

**We begin what looks to be a hectic month fixture wise with the visit this afternoon of Sheffield United to The County Ground for today's FA Carling Premiership game and to this end we welcome the players, officials and supporters from Bramall Lane. Next Tuesday evening we head to the North West when we meet Oldham Athletic at Boundary Park kicking off at 7.30pm.**

## **Liverpool Saturday**

Next Saturday we travel to Anfield for our first ever League encounter with Liverpool kicking off at 3.00pm. The game is all ticket and the option for Season Ticket and Collector Card holders has now passed and any remaining tickets are on general sale price £13 each. Supporters without tickets are advised not to travel as they will not gain entry on the day.

## **Saints Tickets**

Our next home game in the FA Carling Premiership is in two weeks time when we entertain Southampton on Saturday 18 December. The game is all ticket. Stratton Bank Terrace tickets are available on entry at the turnstiles this afternoon with seats on sale from the Advance Ticket Office. Should any tickets remain they will not be sold on the day.

## **Holiday Games**

Tickets for the home Premiership games against Arsenal and Chelsea will both be on general sale for the first time from 9.00am on Sunday 12 December.

Terrace tickets will be available from the Matchday Ticket Office while seats will be sold from the Advance Ticket Office. Personal applications only will be entertained for the first three days. Should any tickets remain they will be sold to postal and

telephone applicants from Wednesday 15 December.

The Arsenal fixture on 27 December kicks off at 12.00 noon while the game with Chelsea on New Years Day starts at 3.00pm. Both games are strictly all ticket.

## **Football Combination**

Next Wednesday afternoon the Reserves meet Luton Town at Kenilworth Road in the Neville Ovenden Football Combination kicking off at 2.00pm. The next home game is at The County Ground on Wednesday 15 December against Bristol Rovers when the kick off is at 7.30pm.

## **FA Youth Cup**

Because of their FA Cup replay Gillingham were unable to play their FA Youth Cup second round tie against John Trollope's lads when originally planned last Tuesday. The tie will now played at Priestfield this Monday evening kicking off at 7.30pm with a replay if necessary at The County Ground on Monday 13 December.

## **Carol Service**

The Swindon Town FC Annual Carol Service will this year be held on Thursday 16 December at Christ Church, Cricklade Road, Swindon starting at 7.15pm. Members of the management and playing staff will be in attendance and supporters are welcome to join in.



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# Sheffield United

## The Visitors



### Blades Too Sharp For Chelsea - by John Nolan

**Willie Falconer's 32nd minute header, which was deflected past Chelsea goalkeeper Kharine last week, ended a barren run for the Blades. It provided their first win in 13 Premiership games.**

The season had kicked off well for the Yorkshiremen when they secured a 3-1 victory over us at Bramall Lane. Falconer, Bradshaw and Rogers were their marksmen, though the 3-1 margin somewhat flattered them.

A 3-0 defeat at Old Trafford was perhaps not unexpected but Mr Bassett certainly expected more at Goodison Park where they crashed 4-2.

Wimbledon's unbeaten start to the season was then ended at Bramall Lane. A header from Jostein Flo and another goal from Falconer giving Dave Bassett his first win over his former club in seven attempts.

Flo, making his home debut, created constant problems for the opposition. Jonas Wirmola, another Scandinavian import, a £50,000 bargain from Spornvagen (Sweden), also excelled in an unexpected League debut.

Flo was the target in the next two games but against Tottenham Hotspur controversy raged when goalkeeper Kelly had to retire with a cheek wound incurred as Spurs scored their second goal in a 2-2 draw.

Adrian Littlejohn scored both United's goals but he was in trouble on a miserable night at Blackpool. United crashed 3-0 to the Second Division side in the first leg of their Second round Coca-Cola Cup tie.

A 1-0 home defeat inflicted by Manchester City followed and United fans were really low as Southampton forged a 3-1 lead at the Dell. Then Flo took charge with two goals in the last nine minutes to force an incredible draw.

That three goal deficit in the Coca-Cola Cup proved too much however, United's 2-0 win in the second-leg just not enough. In the Premiership three successive draws brought much needed points but this was followed by three straight defeats against Norwich, Aston Villa and Newcastle United.

On loan Leicester City goalkeeper Carl Muggleton was in line for his United debut last Saturday but Kelly was passed fit for action and Kevin Gage was also recovered from injury to take his place in defence.

Jostein Flo and Adrian Littlejohn were still ruled out however and veteran striker Alan Cork had to withdraw with flu.

## Sheffield United ABC

**ALAN CORK** - Striker. A veteran of over 465 League appearances he scored his 150th League goal this season. Served his apprenticeship with Derby County - making his League bow on loan with Lincoln City at Oxford United 14-9-77. Wimbledon snapped him up on a free-transfer in February 1978 and in 14 years with the Dons "Corky's" goals lifted the club through all the divisions. Won an FA Cup winners' medal in 1988 and after rejoining Mr Bassett on a "free" in 1992 scored at Wembley last season in the FA Cup semi-final. Born: Derby 4-3-59.

**WILLIE FALCONER** - Midfield. A great all-rounder who is equally at ease in midfield or defence. Established himself as a utility player with Aberdeen - who had signed him from Lewis United - before arriving at Watford. Scored 12 goals in 98 League games for the Hornets before continuing his career

with Middlesbrough. Cost Sheffield £400,000 in the summer of 1993. Born: Aberdeen 5-4-66.

**KEVIN GAGE** - Fullback. Clocked up 168 League appearances in 7 seasons with Wimbledon (15 goals). Was the Dons youngest ever League debutant (v Bury 2-5-81) while still an apprentice; and gained England Youth recognition. Hard tackler, he helped Wimbledon climb from the 4th to the 1st Division. In July 1987 £100,000 took him to Villa where he became a firm favourite. Again won promotion (1987-88); but a loss of form cost him his place and Dave Bassett shelled out £150,000 for him in November 1991. Born: Chiswick 21-4-64.

**JOHN GANNON** - Midfield. A "free" signing from Wimbledon four seasons ago John has established himself as a busy industrious competitor in midfield. Has a sweet left foot and is dangerous with his set-plays. Born: Wimbledon 18-12-66.



# Sheffield United



**Back Row:** Willie Falconer, Jonas Wirmola, David Tuttle, Chris Kamara, Brian Gayle, Alan Kelly, Jostein Flo, David Walton, Paul Beesley, Alan Cork, John Pemberton (now Leeds United).

**Middle Row:** Derek French (Physio), John Gannon, Carl Bradshaw, Paul Rogers, Glyn Hodges, Simon Tracey, Charlie Hartfield, Andy Scott, David Barnes, Kevin Gage, Geoff Taylor (Assistant Manager).

**Front Row:** Franz Carr, Tom Cowan, Dane Whitehouse, Dave Bassett (Team Manager), Mitch Ward, John Reed, Adrian Littlejohn

**CHARLIE HARTFIELD** - Midfield. Like Gannon has a good left-foot but with the added bite of a fierce tackle. Can play at fullback. Has taken over from John of late making the breakthrough last season with 12 appearances. Was a trainee with Arsenal - having been on Schoolboy forms with Aston Villa - but after two years as a pro at Highbury without the remotest chance of a game he joined United in August 1991 on a "free". Made his League debut at Crystal Palace 31-8-91. Born: Lambeth 4-9-71.

**GLYN HODGES** - Left Wing. Excellent crosser of the ball he served his apprenticeship with Wimbledon, making his League debut at Halifax 27-9-80. Played his part in the club's rise to Division One and in 1987 moved to Newcastle United for £200,000. Seven games and three months later he was with Watford (£300,000); and in the summer of 1990 signed for Crystal Palace. Made only 11 senior appearances in a year at Selhurst Park and joined the Blades in January 1991 for £450,000. Born: Streatham 30-4-63.

**JAMIE HOYLAND** - Midfield. Son of a former United wing-half, Tommy, Jamie started his career with Manchester City, making his entrance in League football v Derby (26-11-83). Made only one further appearance in two years and moved on to Bury where he topped the score-chart in season 1989-90 with 16 goals from midfield. United paid £250,000 for him in July 1990 but it wasn't until the following season that he really established himself. Born: Sheffield 23-1-66.

**CHRIS KAMARA** - Midfield. Seasoned campaigner who first stepped on the League stage in September 1975 when he played for Portsmouth v Luton. In August 1980 he was signed by Swindon, scoring 21 goals in 147 League outings for Town before returning to Fratton Park in 1981. Eleven games later he was in Brentford's colours and remained at Griffin Park until 1985 when he resigned for Swindon. Added another 87 League games to his tally over the next three seasons before switching to Stoke City. In January 1990 Leeds United made a surprise swoop and Chris helped them clinch the Second Division Championship. After 15-years of senior football Chris was to achieve an ambition and play in the First Division. Played 10 times in the top flight and was then allowed to sign for Luton Town. Impressed Dave Bassett during a loan spell with the Blades last season and was signed from the Hatters on a free in the summer of 1993. Born: Middlesbrough 25-12-57.

**ALAN KELLY** - Goalkeeper. Signed from Preston North End in the summer of 1992 as cover for Simon Tracey but injury to the latter gave Alan an early chance last season and he performed well, culminating with a starring role at Wembley in the FA Cup semi-final against Sheffield Wednesday. Such was his form that Alan earned a place in Jack Charlton's World Cup squad and he won his first cap for the Republic of Ireland against Hungary. Stands 6' 2" tall and made his debut in the League for Preston at Aldershot in May 1986. Born: Preston 11-8-68.



## Sheffield United ABC

**ADRIAN LITTLEJOHN** - Striker. Speedy front runner who graduated through the FA School of Excellence at Lilleshall but was later released by West Brom after serving as a trainee. Walsall picked him up and gave him his chance against Huddersfield Town (14-1-90) but after two years at Bescot he was given a free. Dave Bassett offered him a job but it wasn't until the 1992-93 season that he really came to the fore as Brian Dean's partner. Born: Wolverhampton 29-6-70.

**ROGER NILSEN** - Defender. Norwegian International who has already booked his ticket to the World Cup Finals in the States next summer. Can play left-back or as a central defender though his previous club, Viking Stavanger, with whom he won Norwegian Championship medals, often used him in midfield. Has scored several goals for his country, including a last-minute equaliser in a 2-2 draw with Sweden. Signed for the Blades in November 1993 and will eventually cost £500,000. Age: 24.

**PAUL ROGERS** - Midfield. Tireless grafter who made a late entry into League football at the age of 26. Paul, a stockbroker by profession had played for nine years with Sutton United when Mr Bassett persuaded him to abandon his lucrative business and turn full-time pro with United. That was in January 1992, and Paul made his debut in midfield at Luton (22-2-92). Born: Portsmouth 21-3-65.

**SIMON TRACEY** - Goalkeeper. A shoulder injury restricted Simon to just 10 League appearances last season but he has been back in the team this campaign. A bargain buy from Wimbledon in 1988 he developed so impressively that he was on standby for England before that injury. Joined Wimbledon from school as an apprentice but played only one League game in their colours. Started this season with 123 League appearances for United. Born: Woolwich 9-12-67.

**DAVID TUTTLE** - Central Defender. A product of the Tottenham Hotspur youth scheme he graduated to make his League debut at Chelsea (1-12-90) in a 3-2 defeat. Only given an occasional outing he made the news with a vital early goal against Hajduk Split in a ECWC tie but then saw his chances blunted by a succession of injuries including a cracked shin picked up while playing on loan for Peterborough United. Joined Sheffield in the summer of 1993 for £350,000. Born: Reading 6-2-72.

**MITCH WARD** - Right Wing. Has been at Bramall Lane since his schoolboy days making the break into the senior side in September 1990 against Manchester City. Had a spell on loan with Crewe Alexandra to gain experience. Frustrated at not getting a regular place he asked for a transfer at the beginning of last season and though Cambridge United made an offer United refused. Drafted in at fullback during an injury crisis he performed with credit but hit the headlines

last season when he came off the bench to score twice and force an FA Cup 6th Round replay tie with Blackburn into a penalty shoot-out. Mitch duly ramming in the first spot-kick himself! Following that he was named Barclays "Young Eagle of the Month." Born: Sheffield 19-6-71.

**DANE WHITEHOUSE** - Midfield. Seen by many as the brightest young prospect at Bramall Lane, he like Mitch Ward, has been at the club since his school-boy days. Drafted into the team at Blackpool (15-10-88), he did not become a regular until 1991-92. Was out for five months with a cracked shinbone, making a surprise return at leftback in the FA Cup tie at Blackburn and continued in this role until after the semi-final at Wembley against the Owls. Then reverted to his normal left midfield position. Born: Sheffield 14-10-70.

Other players in the squad include club skipper Brian Gayle - a record signing from Ipswich in 1991 at £700,000 - who has been missing from the defence with a knee injury. Winger Andy Scott, who made a scoring League debut against Chelsea in the final fixture of last season following a £50,000 move from Sutton United; and Norwegian International striker Jostein Flo, who at 6' 4" was dubbed in Norway as the archetype "British centre-forward." Jostein signed from Sogndal for £400,000 having played one season in Belgium with Lierse.

## Swindon Town v Sheffield United

### LEAGUE MEETINGS (12)

Swindon Town 6 Wins, Sheffield Utd. 6 Wins, 0 Draws  
Swindon Town 19 Goals, Sheffield Utd. 18 Goals  
Swindon Town at Home - Wins 5 Losses 1 Draws 0  
Swindon Town at Home - Goals For 15 Against 7

### CUP GAMES (3)

1920/21	Home	1-0	W	FA Cup Rnd 1
1907/08	Away	2-3	L	FA Cup Rnd 1
1907/08	Home	0-0	D	FA Cup Rnd 1

### CUP MEETINGS (3)

Swindon Town 1 Win, Sheffield Utd. 1 Win, 1 Draw  
Swindon Town 3 Goals, Sheffield Utd. 3 Goals

### OVERALL MEETINGS (15)

Swindon Town 7 Wins, Sheffield Utd. 7 Wins, 1 Draw  
Swindon Town 22 Goals, Sheffield Utd. 21 Goals



## The man in charge



**Dave Bassett**  
Manager

"Harry" played 35 times in their inaugural campaign in Division Four. It was a fitting finale for the lad who had been rejected by both Watford and Chelsea as a youngster.

He became manager Dario Gradi's assistant, running his own insurance agency at the same time. When Dario left Dave took up football management full-time guiding Wimbledon from the Fourth to the First Division of the football League in an amazing four years.

There was one scare for the Dons, in the summer of 1984 after they had reached the Second Division. Ron Noades persuaded Dave to accept the managership of Crystal Palace. But after two days at Selhurst Park he quit and returned to Plough Lane.

After leading Wimbledon to sixth in the First Division in 1987 Dave did quit. He was seen as the ideal replacement for Graham Taylor at Watford but it didn't work out and he left Vicarage Road after a few months.

In January 1988 he was appointed manager of Sheffield United. Relegation that season was quickly followed by successive promotions.

**David 'Harry' Bassett is a bubbly character whose enthusiasm for the game is simply infectious. Now in his 13th season as a manager he can look back on a story of remarkable achievement.**

As a grafting wing-half he collected 10 amateur caps for England and captained Walton & Hersham to a Wembley triumph over Slough Town in the 1973 FA Amateur Cup Final. The following year he transferred to Wimbledon, then in the Southern League, and helped them gain League status in 1977.

# SPOTLIGHT

**Carl Bradshaw** - by Colin Benson

Forward. Signed apprenticeship forms with Sheffield Wednesday in 1985 but made a scoring League debut, as an 18-year-old, while on loan to Barnsley (v Crystal Palace 23-8-86). Scored 4 goals in 32 League outings for the Owls before moving to Manchester City in 1988 in a swap for Imre Varadi. Had just one game in a year at Maine Road before signing for the Blades (£50,000) and helping them win promotion to Division One. Had scored 6 goals in 107 League appearances for them by the start of this season. Born: Sheffield 2-10-68.



## Sheffield United Form Guide

Opponents	F	A	Scorers
Swindon Town	H	3-1	Falconer, Bradshaw, Rogers
Manchester United	A	0-3	
Everton	A	2-4	Whitehouse, Cork
Wimbledon	H	2-1	Flo, Falconer
Ipswich Town	H	1-1	Flo
Queens Park Rangers	A	1-2	Flo
Tottenham Hotspur	H	2-2	Littlejohn 2
Leeds United	A	1-2	o/g
Blackpool*	A	0-3	
Manchester City	H	0-1	
Southampton	A	3-3	Falconer, Flo 2
Blackpool*	H	2-0	Davison, Ward
Blackburn Rovers	A	0-0	
Sheffield Wednesday	H	1-1	Hodges
Coventry City	A	0-0	
Norwich City	H	1-2	Whitehouse (pen)
Aston Villa	A	0-1	
Newcastle United	A	0-4	
Chelsea	H	1-0	Falconer

\*Coca-Cola Cup





# Captain's CORNER

With Shaun Taylor



**This is where we came in. Just over three months ago we made our entry into the Premiership against Sheffield United at Bramall Lane.**

At the time it was like stepping into the unknown. Hardly any of us had played at this level before and we were not sure what to expect. We lost the game 3-1 which was not really a true reflection on the play and the general feeling after the match was that we could hold our own at this level.

As we know the season for us has followed a very similar pattern right through. We have come away from games pointless after contributing so much.

At Sheffield United we conceded two late goals after looking set to get at least a point. At Leeds United last week the story was much the same. It was 0-0 with ten-minutes to go - you know the rest. After their first goal we were praised open in all aspects of our game.

We had hoped to build on that stimulating win over QPR which was so well earned under difficult circumstances. It wasn't to be and though we were all disappointed it has not dented our enthusiasm or confidence. Leeds are when all said and done second in the Premiership table.

The lads are determined to get win number two this afternoon. With Sheffield United then Oldham and Liverpool away it is imperative we get a result today. Our attitude is positive - we know we can do it.

## Hay TALKING

With David Hay



One of the key issues about training is to keep it as bright and interesting as possible. You need to keep players sharp and hungry to play - make it so that they do the hard work without really realising it.

One aspect is to change the environment, the setting in which we work, and at Swindon we have been very lucky in this respect. The community has really stepped forward to help.

We mainly use the Allied Dunbar recreational facilities as well as those at the Nationwide Training Ground and these locations are absolutely first-class. But last week, because of the severe weather, we were offered the use of the Astro turf pitch at Greendown School and areas of Marlborough College.

It was perfect for what we wanted and the change of scenery is almost as good as a break.

At this stage of the season fitness ticks over so we have been concentrating a lot on sharpening up the front men and tightening up at the back. We have definitely shown great improvement of late in both these areas - as was the case last Saturday at Leeds until the last ten-minutes.

We have to maintain the highest level of concentration for 90-minutes and this has been the theme of our work this week. There isn't too much you can do about it in physical terms in training except keep talking about it. In practice matches players are obviously not as committed as they are on a Saturday but we have stressed the point as much as possible and hope to see a response this afternoon.



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# Benno

**It is perhaps appropriate that we play hosts to Sheffield United this afternoon. For that 1-0 victory over Queens Park Rangers in our last home fixture just prevented us from equalling an unhappy record set by the Blades in the season 1990-91.**

It was the Bramall Lane club's first season back in the old First Division and like us they were finding it tough to keep afloat. They failed to register a single win in their first 16 games in which they had mustered just four points from draws with Derby County (1-1); Manchester City (1-1); Chelsea (2-2) and Everton (0-0).

Goalkeeper Simon Tracey had broken a cheekbone in a collision with Ian Rush just six minutes into the opening game of the season. It was perhaps an omen as United slumped to rock bottom. Even the recruitment of Brian Marwood - who was with us for a while last season - from Arsenal and Vinnie Jones from Leeds, for a club record fee, failed to stimulate revival.

It was 22nd December before United's fans could cheer a victory. Nottingham Forest were beaten 3-2 at Bramall Lane, Ian Bryson scoring twice, Brian Deane once.

Deane scored again at Luton on Boxing Day to snatch a second successive win before the Blades were blunted by a 4-1 defeat at Highbury.

As the League programme entered February, Sheffield United were still firmly entrenched at the foot of the League table. Dave Bassett signed Glyn Hodges from Crystal Palace and miraculously fortunes turned to gold.

Sheffield United reeled off seven consecutive wins in the First Division. Beaten were Derby County (1-0); Southampton (4-1), Everton, Manchester United and Aston Villa 2-1; Sunderland and Chelsea both 1-0.

It was the best run of the season by any club in the First Division. Astonishingly, their position in the First Division was assured with four games still to play. In the end they finished 13th with 46 points - 12 above the relegation candidates.

It is certainly a story that should give us heart for everywhere we go people express surprise at the quality of our play.

As I was driving back last Saturday a female Leeds supporter rang the popular BBC Radio 5 606 programme to say that she couldn't understand how Swindon Town were bottom of the League. She claimed we

had played much better football than Leeds and were a joy to watch.

Great stuff. Unfortunately we need the results to back-up the quality of our approach work. It will come surely as it did for Dave Bassett in 1991.

The lads certainly have not lost heart. They still believe in themselves and in the quality of their football.

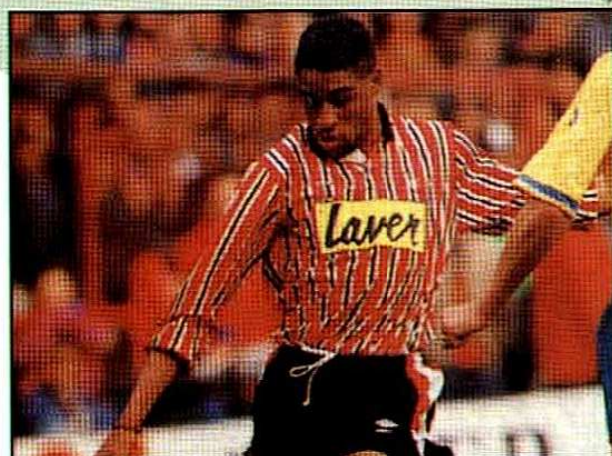
Since the abysmal failure of all four home nations in the World Cup I note a sense of media and public awareness now to the skill factors - or to be more precise lack of them - in English football. Perhaps at last the sort of thing John Gorman and David Hay are trying to achieve at Swindon will be better appreciated out there in the real world.

Let's hope so. And while on the subject of providing entertainment just an aside concerning the sending-off of Luc Nijholt against QPR.

Referee Gerald Ashby was no doubt within his rights to show the red card to our Dutch midfielder for swearing at him. But wouldn't it have been much more prudent for him to have dealt with the verbal reaction in a more low key way. A stern warning rather than a red card.

Officials have just as much responsibility for the entertainment value of a game as do the players. Certainly 15,000 paying customers do not wish to see a football match ruined in the 17th minute by the sending-off of a player unless absolutely necessary.

As for Luc, he needs kicking. He could have sworn in three different languages and Mr Ashby would have been none the wiser!



**Brian Deane - now with Leeds United**



# Years Gone By

" Looking Back "

WITH

Paul Plowman

## 25 Years Ago

**December 4 1968:**

**Swindon Town 1 Burnley 2**

This League Cup Semi-Final Second Leg saw first Division Burnley arrive at the County Ground suprisingly trailing 2-1 following the First Leg at Turf Moor. The prize would be a trip to Wembley three months hence, but neither side could have envisaged the eventual outcome of this tie. Following a goalless first period, the drama unfolded when Swindon were floored twice in a minute early in the second half. The Town defence failed to clear a David Thomas free-kick, Brian O'Neil hooked the ball in and Frank Casper pounced. Then a right-wing cross from the dangerous Thomas was palmed out by Peter Downsborough but only to Steve Kindon, who promptly headed it home. Would this signal the end for Swindon? The Evening Advertiser takes up the story.

".....Had Swindon cracked in the face of two such tremendous blows, one could not really blamed them, but instead they did just the opposite. The goals produced from them fighting spirit which thrilled the 28,000 crowd. And they came within inches on several occasions of clinching a Final place, after John Smith had levelled the overall scores in the 57th minute. Don Rogers, who had rather a disappointing game, dropped a corner short and there was Smith moving in on the ball to flash it just inside the post with his head...." But at the end of ninety minutes, with neither side able to deliver the knock-out punch, the contest went to extra-time which again ended in stalemate. And so the scene was set for the re-match at the Hawthorns two weeks later....

**Town:** Downsborough, Dawson, Thomas, Butler, Burrows, Harland, Heath, Smart, Smith, Noble, Rogers.  
Sub not used: Penman

## 10 Years Ago

**December 3 1983:**

**Swindon Town 2 Doncaster Rovers 1**

Just 3,546 turned out for this Fourth Division clash at the County Ground - but this was nevertheless the third highest gate of the season! Town fell behind to an 11th-minute penalty from Ian Snodin. But they soon bounced back, Jimmy Quinn (40 minutes) and Leigh Barnard (58) doing the needful.

**Town:** Endersby, Henry, Bailie, Batty, Gibson, Graham, Hockaday, Emmanuel, Quinn, Mayes, Barnard. Sub not used: Rowland

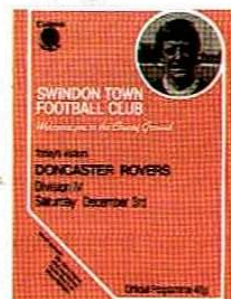
## 5 Years Ago

**December 3 1988:**

**Shrewsbury Town 0 Swindon Town 1**

Former Shrews striker David Geddis was the hero at Gay Meadow as Swindon took maximum points with the only goal four minutes before half-time. Eighteen years old Fitzroy Simpson made his Town debut - which lasted just thirty seconds!

**Town:** Digby, Hockaday, King, Jones, Parkin, Calderwood, Foley, White (Simpson 90), Henry (Shearer 72), MacLaren, Geddis.



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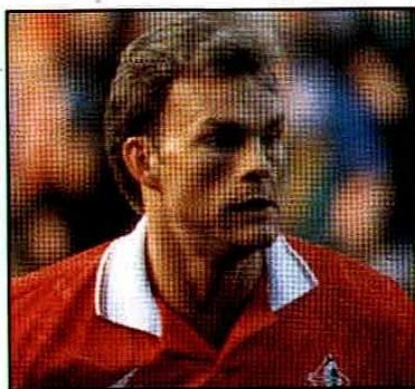


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## Keith Scott

- by Colin Benson

**When John Gorman proudly announced he had signed a new striker an excited buzz filled the air. But it has to be said that when Keith Scott was introduced the new found optimism was somewhat tempered... The reaction throughout being Keith who?**



Well it didn't take us long to find out, a debut goal against Ipswich Town quickly followed by the winner - yes the winner - against highly placed Queens Park Rangers. In two matches Keith had won us four points!

It wasn't only the goals that impressed. Keith showed qualities leading the line we have not seen from International class players. His timing in the air was too good for seasoned campaigners like John Wark and Darren Peacock even and one feels that once Andy Mutch has forged an understanding with the blonde Adonis he will recap the rewards in front of goal.

When I congratulated Keith on his Premiership debut, suggesting he took to it like a duck to water, he laughed: "I only hope people will be saying that after 25 games. But I enjoyed it, which was the main thing, and was pleased with the way it went."

So what of Keith's background?

"Basically I started rather late," he says. "I played local Sunday league football in Leicester until I was about 19; then I started to play on Saturday's for Hinckley Athletic. From there I went into the Southern League with Bedworth United.

"I moved back to Hinckley, then joined Leicester United at 22 and then signed for Lincoln City. I had a bad year with them, playing just 11 games in the League. It taught me a lot about professional football though.

"Before I signed for them I thought that once you became a professional footballer that was it. All the hard work had to stop and you had made it. But it doesn't. When you become a professional that is when the hard work starts.

"Anyway after that bad experience Martin O'Neill at Wycombe Wanderers showed great faith in me and he made me a better player.

"I really enjoyed my three years with Wycombe which of course culminated in us entering the Football League this season.

"Fortunately the gaffer here has shown faith in me and given me this opportunity. He knows I have got weaknesses in my game which I am aware of, but he says during the time I'm here he will make me a better player - which I'm sure he will. When you have a manager like that it makes the game a lot easier for you."

What are the weaknesses you have to hone?

"Can't you tell," is Keith's instant and authoritative response.

"I know what they are, the gaffer knows what they are and we will work on them in training."

Keith looked impressive enough in his opening two appearances; laying the ball off nicely and making some really good positive runs into the heart of the opposing defence.

The blue eyes twinkled as Keith agreed he was very pleased with his overall performance but claimed: "The thing I found very hard was adjusting to the pace. It was very very fast and as soon as the ball breaks down you are on the move again. Hopefully the more I play the more I will adjust to that.

"I was pleased with my understanding with Andy - it worked quite well - but will get better of course the more we play together. Andy works hard as well in a game which maybe a lot of people don't realise."



Keith

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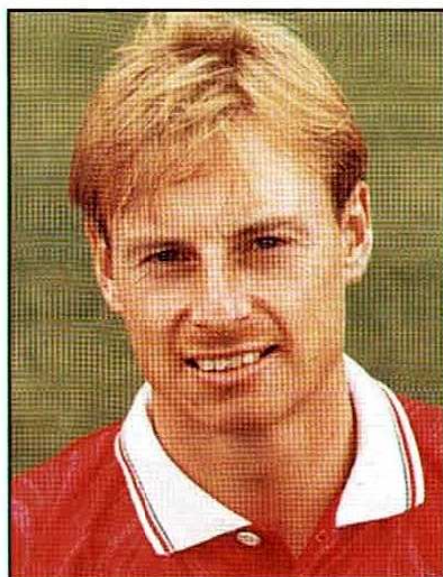
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# IN THE **with Jonathan Trigg** Community

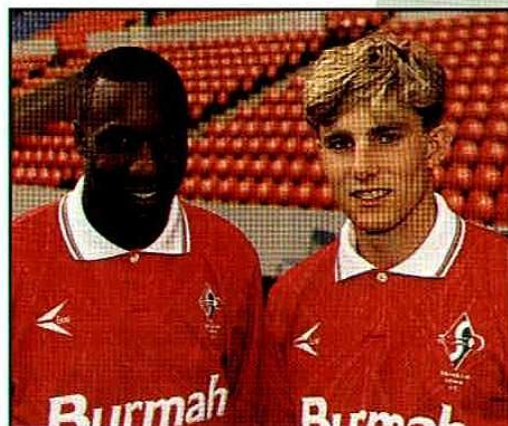
**Next Saturday sees the official launch of the sponsorship of the Community Scheme by Pizza Hut. The launch is just part of a fun filled day at the Pizza Hut restaurant Shaw Ridge West Swindon starting at 10am.**

The day will include quizzes, competitions, free giveaways and the opportunity to meet a star player from the Swindon Town playing staff. The highlight of the day will be a mass balloon release outside the restaurant by Doreen Dart, the Mayor of Thamesdown.

We look forward to seeing you all there and parents as well as children will be catered for. Maureen Connell, the Public Relations Manager for Pizza Hut, Swindon, said "Football in the Community is about getting back to the best in football; team spirit, healthy competition, participation, support and most importantly, enjoyment and participation for the whole family. So come on kids 'Just Join In!'"

Nicky Hammond will again be holding his coaching courses for the goalkeepers of this world early in the New Year. The day long courses will be held on 3 Sundays and all aspects of goalkeeping will be covered. All ages and abilities are welcome but this season we are hoping to encourage older players who are looking to improve on their game for better performances in their local teams. Further information regarding these coaching sessions will appear on this page in the New Year.

Finally a big welcome to our guests from the following Primary Schools; Holy Rood, Broad Hinton, Robert-Le-King and St Michaels. All these schools have taken part in our ongoing schools programme. We hope you enjoy your day with us.



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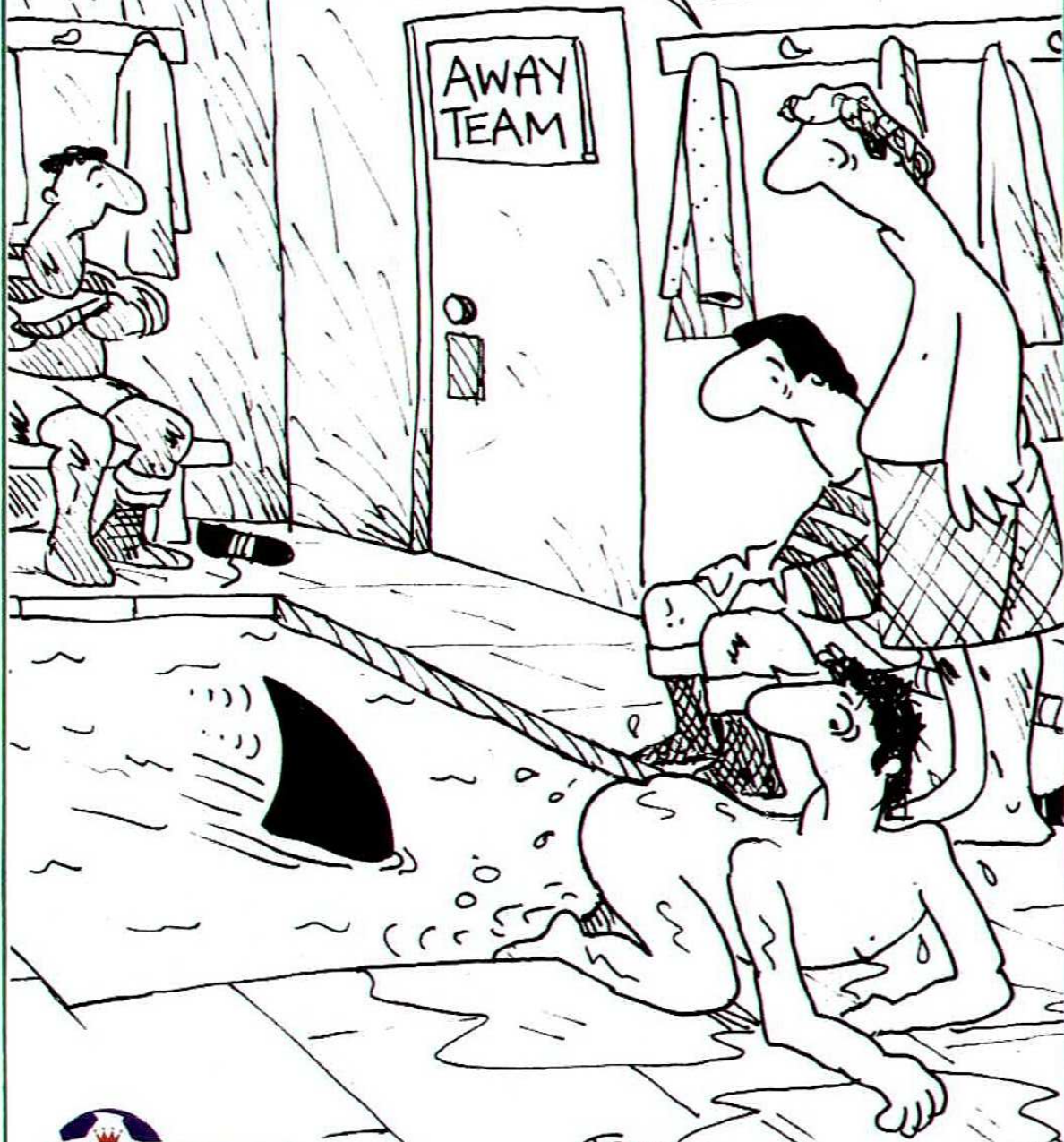
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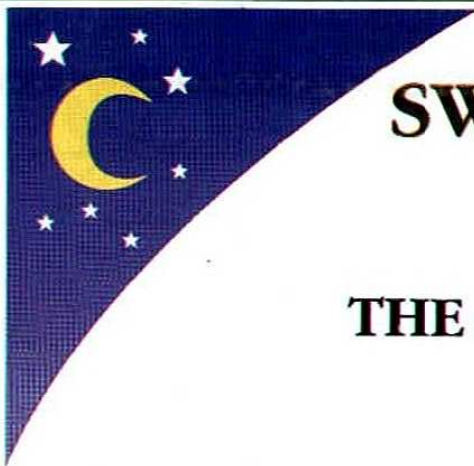


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# Commercial NEWS

WITH Janet Garrett

**A very warm welcome from myself and my staff in the Commercial Department to our first December game in the Premier League.**

## **British Coal**

We are delighted to welcome Jim Carter, Sales Manager of British Coal and his party to the County Ground for their second sponsorship this season. Among their guests are local coal merchants F.Chivers and Sons of Devizes, J. Wilmer of Swindon, J.A Wilson of Hullavington, W.V Hancock and Son of Corsham and Jones Bros from Charfield. I'm sure like us British Coal are hoping for a "blazing" success today!

## **Meet the Players Lunch**

16th December sees the second of our lunches here at the club. If you didn't make the last one don't miss this one, the last before Christmas.

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I have pleasure in welcoming two mascots to the County Ground today. The first is nine year old Josh Ryan from Chepstow in Gwent. Josh attends Pembroke Junior School. His hobbies are football and playing computer games. He currently plays for the undefeated Garden City Under 9's Football Club as a right back. Today has been arranged by his parents partly for his birthday on 13th November and also because he was recently involved in a freak accident and had an emergency operation on severed tendons and arteries in his wrist. This is a reward for his being a very brave young lad.



11 year old Daniel Spencer from Thatcham in Newbury is our second mascot. Daniel attends Francis Bailey Junior School and enjoys football, rugby, water-skiing and swimming. He plays as the goalkeeper for his School team, and as you might expect he admires our very own Fraser Digby. Although Daniel now lives in Thatcham he was born in Swindon and follows Swindon Town regularly.



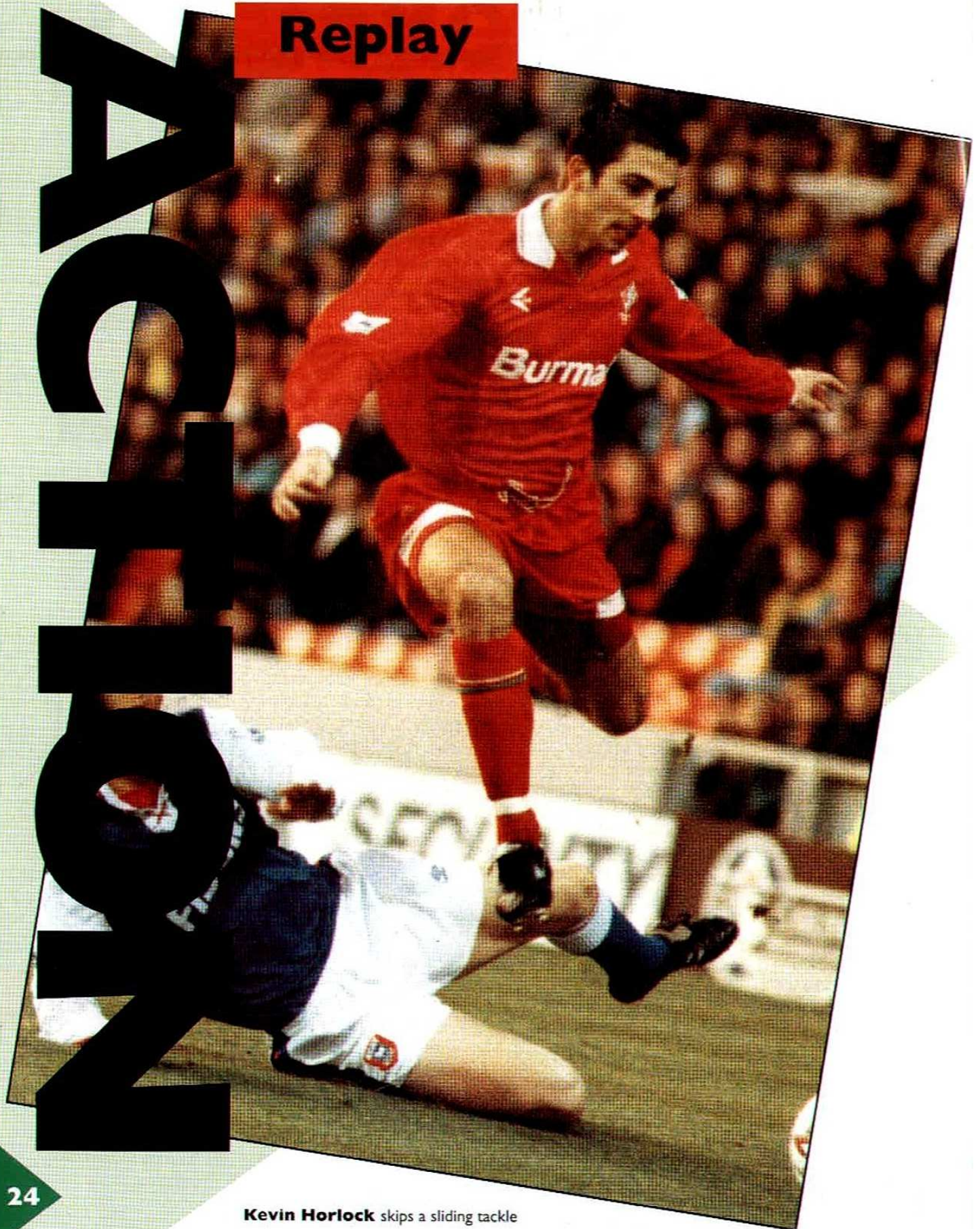
## **JUNIOR ROBINS**

Hi, I hope that everyone who joined Paul on the trip to Leeds had a good day out and will join us again on our next away trip which is scheduled for 29th December when we travel to Hillsborough for our fixture against Sheffield Wednesday. As this is an evening match we will not be able to play prior to the match.

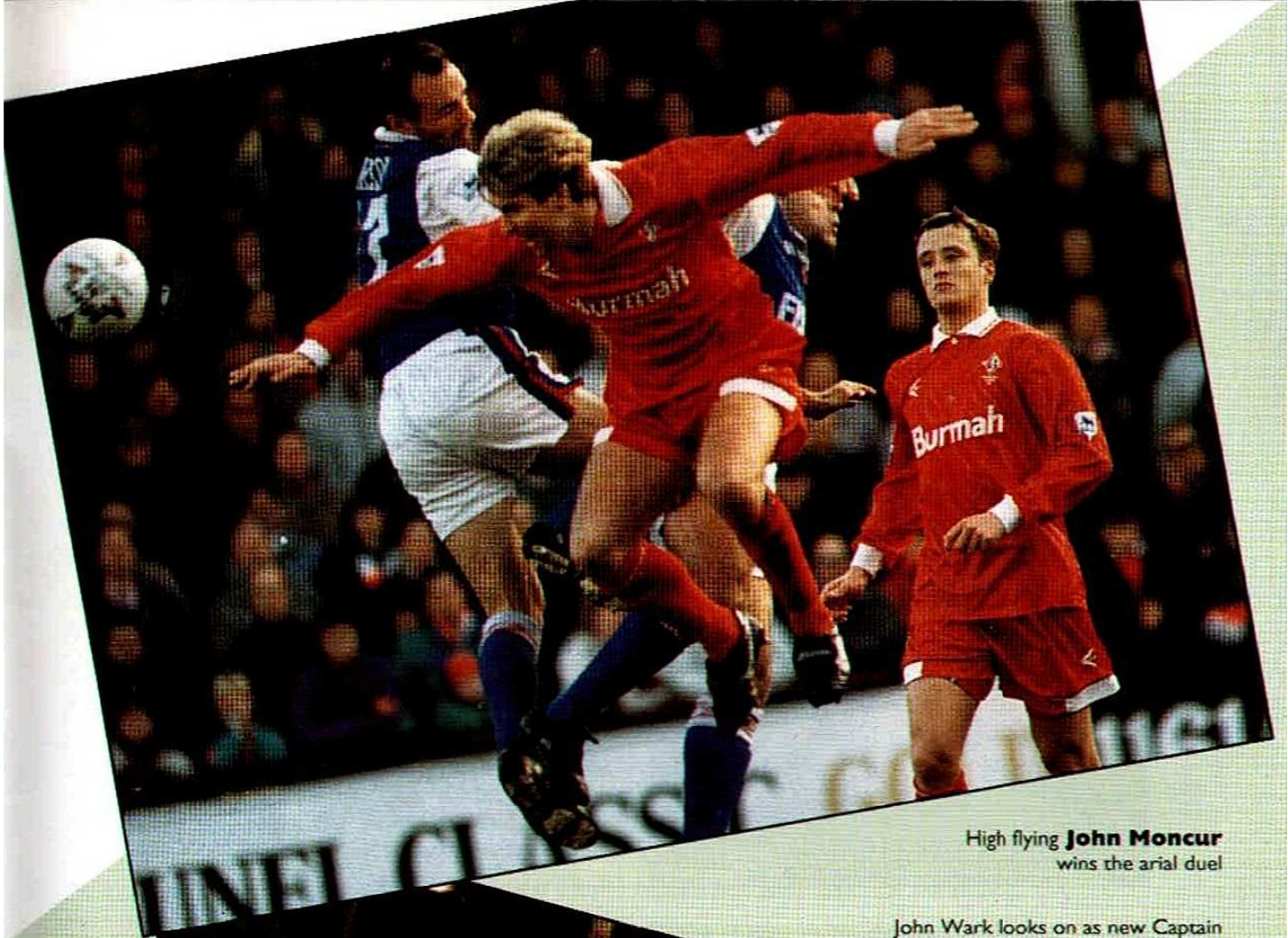
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# Premier NEWS



**The only winners at the bottom end of the Premiership table last week were Sheffield United and Oldham Athletic. Bad news that for Town fans for it left us trailing five points behind the Latics who were joined on 14 points by Chelsea, and Southampton - who played West Ham on Monday.**

It is in our own hands this afternoon to narrow the gap between ourselves and the Blades, in what is a virtual six-pointer, while we will rely on Ipswich Town to keep Oldham out of the points at Portman Road.

Ipswich, who have not been firing on all cylinders this season, came good last Saturday thanks to Eddie Youd's first ever goal for the club. It was enough to beat Blackburn Rovers and secure the Suffolk side's first home win since August 21st.

As for Kenny Dalglish's £22-million side it was a bad day. One scribe wrote: "Quality Street? Blackburn's football seemed straight out of Poverty Street, bereft of imagination, skill, even commitment."

Could it be that Chelsea will feel the backlash in tomorrow's televised game at Ewood Park? Without wishing Glenn Hoddle any discomfort we certainly hope he goes home with the blues!

Glenn's team slumped to another defeat at Bramall Lane last week - Chelsea's seventh defeat in eight games - and he now admits it will take more than crusading football to save them. It was the familiar scenario suffered by most struggling sides; Willie Falconer's 32nd minute header taking a deflection off Steve Clarke to leave Kharine stranded.

Southampton, seem to revel in live telecasts from the Dell, and they will be hoping to improve their precarious position at Goodison Park this afternoon. It is not often visiting sides to Everton would fancy their chances but the Toffeemen have come unstuck at home this season losing four and drawing one of their eight Premiership fixtures thus far.

Manchester City, thrashed 3-1 at home by Sheffield Wednesday, try to do better at Elland Road this afternoon. City are a club under siege. Their football is far from convincing while behind the scenes a power battle rages. There were further demonstrations after the game last week and manager Brian Horton believes the turmoil is wrecking his team.

City could be without Niall Quinn today - he damaged knee ligaments - but even so Leeds should be favourites at home. Not that they matched the 3-

0 scoreline against us. Three months of magic from veteran Gordon Strachan in the last ten-minutes proved our undoing.

Coventry City, now under the managership of Phil Neal, were unfortunate against Manchester United. Eric Cantona celebrated a year at Old Trafford with the only goal but it was the Sky Blues who had impressed, hustling United out of their rhythm.

Formidable as that points lead must seem, United will be anxious to endorse their position with a win over Norwich City at Old Trafford. Bigger margins than United's have been eroded in the past and last time out at home they were held to a goalless draw by Ipswich Town.

The Canaries - sick as parrots after their 1-0 home defeat by Inter Milan - failed to bounce back at Boundary Park. Their football was sweet enough but it didn't go for them on the day. It was Norwich City's first away defeat of the season.

Of the chasing teams Arsenal, at Coventry today, look the most menacing. They added quality to their power in a spectacular win over Newcastle United at Highbury with Ian Wright delivering the goods in his shoot-out with young pretender for the England shirt Andy Cole.

The Kevin Keegan circus roles into White Hart Lane for what promises to be a classic this afternoon. Viewers of Match of the Day will have been enthralled by Tottenham's late equaliser at QPR - the build-up exquisitely vintage stuff.

"It's the way Ossie wants us to play," claimed scorer Darren Anderton after the match. It is the way we would like to all English clubs play say the rest of us.



**'Spurs' Boss  
Ossie  
Ardiles**



# Rowland's Reserves

## With Andy Rowland

**Two more games in the Football Combination resulted in a 1-0 defeat at Queens Park Rangers and a victory by the same score at Brighton & Hove Albion.**

The lads played well in both games, particularly against QPR who fielded a strong side and we came out of both games with credit.

We put out one of our youngest sides of the season against Rangers with only Nicky Hammond having had first team experience.

Youth Team players Steve Reeves and Andrew Kearns were drafted into the side and gave a good account of themselves.

Even Andrew Thomson was dwarfed by Devon White but did a great job against the Rangers giant but was powerless from preventing him scoring the only goal of the game with just twenty minutes remaining.

At Brighton the team was bolstered with the addition of Ross MacLaren and Steve White in the squad although we lost Nicky Hammond who was on first team duty. The final scoreline did not reflect our dominance on the game.

Shane Cook in goal did not have a direct shot to save all afternoon which is a credit to those in front of him.

It was left to Austin Berkley to score the only goal of the game with his shot from an acute angle just creeping in at the far post.

### Result:

**Neville Ovenden Football Combination Queens Park Rangers 1 Swindon Town 0**

**Team:** Hammond, O'Sullivan, Murray, Gooden, Thomson, Reeves, Phillips M, Kearns, Middleton, Berkley, Hamon. **Subs:** James, Pitman.

**Neville Ovenden Football Combination Brighton & H. A. 0 Swindon Town 1**

**Scorer:** Berkley

**Team:** Cook, O'Sullivan, Murray, Middleton, Thomson, Phillips M, Gooden, MacLaren, White, Hamon. **Subs:** Kearns, Reeves.

### Andy Rowland

**Austin Berkley**



### Neville Ovenden Football Combination Division I

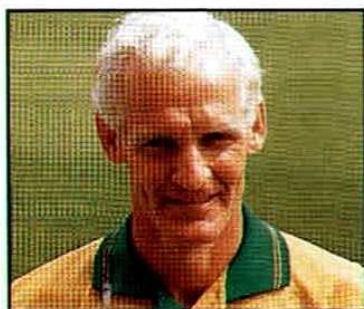
Mon 16 Aug	Chelsea	A 0-3
Wed 25 Aug	Arsenal	A 1-2
Wed 8 Sep	Charlton Athletic	H 2-0
Tue 14 Sep	Bristol Rovers	A 3-1
Tue 28 Sep	Bristol City	A 3-0
Thu 7 Oct	Wimbledon	H 1-1
Tue 12 Oct	Luton Town	H 1-2
Tue 19 Oct	Crystal Palace	A 1-3
Wed 27 Oct	Millwall	H 2-1
Wed 3 Nov	Arsenal	H 2-1
Mon 8 Nov	Millwall	A 1-0
Tue 16 Nov	Queens Park Rangers	A 0-1
Wed 24 Nov	Brighton	A 1-0
Wed 1 Dec	Bristol City	H
Wed 8 Dec	Luton Town	A
Wed 15 Dec	Bristol Rovers	H
Wed 22 Dec	Ipswich Town	A
Wed 5 Jan	Charlton Athletic	A
Wed 12 Jan	Tottenham Hotspur	H
Tue 18 Jan	Watford	H
Fri 21 Jan	Norwich City	A
Wed 26 Jan	West Ham United	H
Wed 2 Feb	Tottenham Hotspur	A
Mon 7 Feb	Brighton	H
Wed 9 Feb	Portsmouth	H
Tue 15 Feb	West Ham United	A
Wed 23 Feb	Southampton	H
Wed 2 Mar	Portsmouth	A
Wed 9 Mar	Chelsea	H
Mon 14 Mar	Ipswich Town	H
Wed 16 Mar	Norwich City	H
Wed 23 Mar	Southampton	A
Tue 29 Mar	Watford	A
Wed 6 Apr	Oxford United	H
Mon 11 Apr	Crystal Palace	H
Wed 13 Apr	Oxford United	A
Wed 20 Apr	Queens Park Rangers	H
Wed 27 Apr	Wimbledon	A
TBA	Warrminster T. (WFS)	A

All Home Games are played at The County Ground, Swindon Kick-Off 7.30pm.

### Neville Ovenden Football Combination Division I as at 27th November 1993

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Southampton	16	8	5	3	28	24	29
Chelsea	14	8	4	2	24	12	28
Tottenham Hotspur	16	8	3	5	34	20	27
Norwich City	15	6	5	4	27	23	23
Ipswich Town	15	7	2	6	27	20	23
Swindon Town	13	7	1	5	18	15	22
Luton Town	15	6	3	6	33	29	21
Bristol Rovers	16	5	6	5	22	25	21
West Ham United	13	5	5	3	21	15	20
Millwall	13	5	3	5	23	19	18
Arsenal	14	5	3	6	25	26	18
Oxford United	15	5	3	7	27	29	18
Portsmouth	16	4	5	6	17	21	18
Q.P.R.	12	5	2	5	18	18	17
Crystal Palace	13	4	4	5	15	16	16
Brighton & H.A.	13	3	6	4	14	13	15
Bristol City	14	4	3	7	15	34	15
Wimbledon	13	2	7	4	17	22	13
Charlton Athletic	11	3	1	7	10	15	10
Watford	13	2	4	7	19	30	10





## South East Counties League

Sat 14 Aug	Luton Town	H	1-1
Sat 21 Aug	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	2-3
Sat 28 Aug	Oxford United	H	1-1
Sat 4 Sep	Bristol City	A	2-1
Mon 6 Sep	W.B.A. (SJFC 1)	H	1-2
Sat 11 Sep	Brentford	H	1-0
Sat 18 Sep	Southend United (LC 1)	H	2-1
Sat 25 Sep	AFC Bournemouth	A	1-4
Mon 27 Sep	Nottm. Forest (MYC 1)	H	0-4
Sat 9 Oct	Colchester United	H	1-2
Sat 16 Oct	Bristol Rovers	H	3-0
Sat 23 Oct	Watford (LC 2)	H	1-0
Sat 30 Oct	Tottenham Hotspur	A	2-3
Sat 6 Nov	Crystal Palace	A	2-2
Sat 27 Nov	Q.P.R. (LC 3)	A	0-2
Sat 4 Dec	Wimbledon	H	
Mon 6 Nov	Gillingham (FAYC 2)	A	
Sat 11 Dec	Luton Town	A	
Sat 18 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion	H	
Sat 1 Jan	Oxford United	A	
Sat 8 Jan	Bristol City	H	
Sat 15 Jan	Brentford	A	
Sat 22 Jan	AFC Bournemouth	H	
Sat 29 Jan	Southampton	H	
Sat 5 Feb	Colchester United	A	
Sat 12 Feb	Bristol Rovers	A	
Sat 19 Feb	Tottenham Hotspur	H	
Sat 26 Feb	Crystal Palace	H	
Sat 5 Mar	Reading	A	
TBA	Southampton	A	
TBA	Reading	H	
TBA	Wimbledon	A	

All Home Games are played at  
The Allied Dunbar Training Centre,  
Wanborough Kick-off 11.00am.

## South East Counties League Division Two as at 27th November 1993

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wimbledon	12	8	0	4	35	21	16
AFC Bournemouth	13	7	1	5	26	20	15
Oxford United	12	5	4	3	23	16	14
Crystal Palace	11	6	2	3	18	14	14
Luton Town	12	5	4	3	18	15	14
Reading	11	5	3	3	18	16	13
Southampton	13	5	3	5	17	15	13
Brentford	13	4	5	4	16	15	13
Tottenham Hotspur	12	6	1	5	18	21	13
Colchester United	14	4	4	6	18	27	12
Brighton & H.A.	13	4	2	7	21	27	10
Swindon Town	10	3	3	4	16	17	9
Bristol Rovers	13	3	2	8	19	29	8
Bristol City	11	2	2	7	10	20	6

## With John Trollope

**Our interest in the South East Counties League Cup ended last Saturday in a tough, physical third round tie away at Queens Park Rangers.**

Rangers are currently at the top of Division I and their record to date this season is very impressive.

The home side were a bigger and more powerful side than any we have met so far. To the players credit we matched them for effort but unfortunately their strength told although we limited them to very few clear cut chances.

We had to defend numerous crosses and except for the first goal managed to clear them.

Another goal after the break saw Rangers progress through to the semi-finals but we can have no excuses as we were never in with a chance of winning the tie but you always hope you might snatch something.

On Monday evening we travel to play our rescheduled FA Youth Cup tie at Gillingham, the only Cup competition we are still in. Hopefully we can progress keeping that little bit extra to our season other than League games.

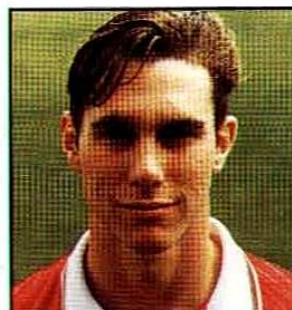
### Result:

### South East Counties League Cup 3rd Round

### Queens Park Rangers 2 Swindon Town 0

**Team:** Cook, Pitman, Kearns, Reeves, Elsey, Thorne, Worrall, James, Phillips J, Laidlaw, Holloway. **Subs:** Fraser, Medcroft.

### John Trollope



**Steve Reeves**



# STATIS

## F.A. CARLING PREMIERSHIP as 30th Nov 1993

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Manchester United	17	7	2	0	19	6	7	0	1	15	7	44
Leeds United	17	6	1	1	18	9	2	5	2	11	10	30
Arsenal	17	5	2	2	12	7	3	4	1	5	2	30
Blackburn Rovers	17	4	3	2	10	8	4	2	2	12	8	29
Aston Villa	17	4	1	3	8	7	4	4	1	11	8	29
Newcastle United	17	6	1	2	20	6	2	3	3	12	11	28
Norwich City	16	2	3	2	3	4	5	3	1	22	12	27
Queens Park Rangers	17	5	2	1	17	9	3	1	5	12	14	27
Liverpool	16	6	1	2	15	7	2	1	4	9	9	26
West Ham United	17	4	3	2	8	7	2	2	7	5	9	23
Tottenham Hotspur	17	3	4	1	13	7	2	3	4	9	11	22
Wimbledon	17	3	4	1	10	7	2	3	4	9	17	22
Everton	17	3	1	4	9	13	3	2	4	10	10	21
Ipswich Town	17	3	3	3	8	11	2	3	3	8	11	21
Sheffield Wednesday	17	2	5	2	15	12	2	3	3	12	13	20
Coventry City	17	3	4	2	8	8	1	4	3	9	12	20
Manchester City	17	1	4	3	10	12	2	3	4	6	8	16
Sheffield United	17	3	3	2	11	9	0	3	6	7	19	15
Southampton	17	3	1	4	12	14	1	1	7	6	14	14
Chelsea	17	3	2	4	7	8	0	3	5	4	11	14
Oldham Athletic	17	1	4	3	8	13	2	1	6	4	15	14
Swindon Town	17	1	3	5	9	18	0	3	5	5	18	9

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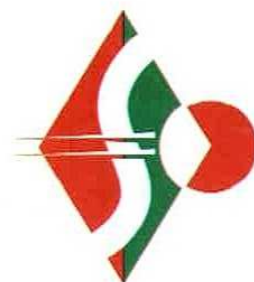
### Forthcoming Games at the County Ground:

Wednesday 15 December 1993  
Neville Ovenden Football Combination Division 1  
vs Bristol Rovers Kick off 7.30pm

Saturday 18 December 1993  
F.A. Carling Premiership  
vs Southampton Kick off 3.00pm

## SWINDON TOWN FC FIXTURES 1993/94

Date	Opponents	FA
Sat 14 Aug	Sheffield United	A 1-3
Wed 18 Aug	Oldham Athletic	H 0-1
Sun 22 Aug	Liverpool	H 0-5
Wed 25 Aug	Southampton	A 1-5
Sat 28 Aug	Norwich City	A 0-0
Wed 1 Sep	Manchester City	H 1-3
Sat 11 Sep	West Ham United	A 0-0
Sat 18 Sep	Newcastle United	H 2-2
Wed 22 Sep	Wolverhampton W.C.C.C 2 (1)	H 2-0
Sat 25 Sep	Manchester United	A 2-4
Sat 2 Oct	Blackburn Rovers	H 1-3
Tue 5 Oct	Wolverhampton W.C.C.C 2 (2)	A 1-2
Sat 16 Oct	Everton	H 1-1
Sat 23 Oct	Tottenham Hotspur	A 1-1
Tue 26 Oct	Portsmouth (C.C.C 3)	A 0-2
Sat 30 Oct	Aston Villa	H 1-2
Sat 6 Nov	Wimbledon	A 0-3
Sat 20 Nov	Ipswich Town	H 2-2
Wed 24 Nov	Queens Park Rangers	H 1-0
Sat 27 Nov	Leeds United	A 0-3
Sat 4 Dec	Sheffield United	H
Tue 7 Dec	Oldham Athletic	A
Sat 11 Dec	Liverpool	A
Sat 18 Dec	Southampton	H
Mon 27 Dec	Arsenal	H
Wed 29 Dec	Sheffield Wednesday	A
Sat 1 Jan	Chelsea	H
Mon 3 Jan	Coventry City	A
Sat 8 Jan	F.A. Cup Round 3	
Sat 15 Jan	Everton	A
Sat 22 Jan	Tottenham Hotspur	H
Sat 29 Jan	F.A. Cup Round 4	
Sat 5 Feb	Coventry City	H
Sat 12 Feb	Aston Villa	A
Sat 19 Feb	Norwich City	H
Sat 26 Feb	Manchester City	A
Sat 5 Mar	West Ham United	H
Sat 12 Mar	Newcastle United	A
Sat 19 Mar	Manchester United	H
Sat 26 Mar	Blackburn Rovers	A
Sat 2 Apr	Arsenal	A
Mon 4 Apr	Sheffield Wednesday	H
Sat 9 Apr	Chelsea	A
Sat 16 Apr	Ipswich Town	A
Sat 23 Apr	Wimbledon	H
Sat 30 Apr	Queens Park Rangers	A
Sat 7 May	Leeds United	H



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League Appearances
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