

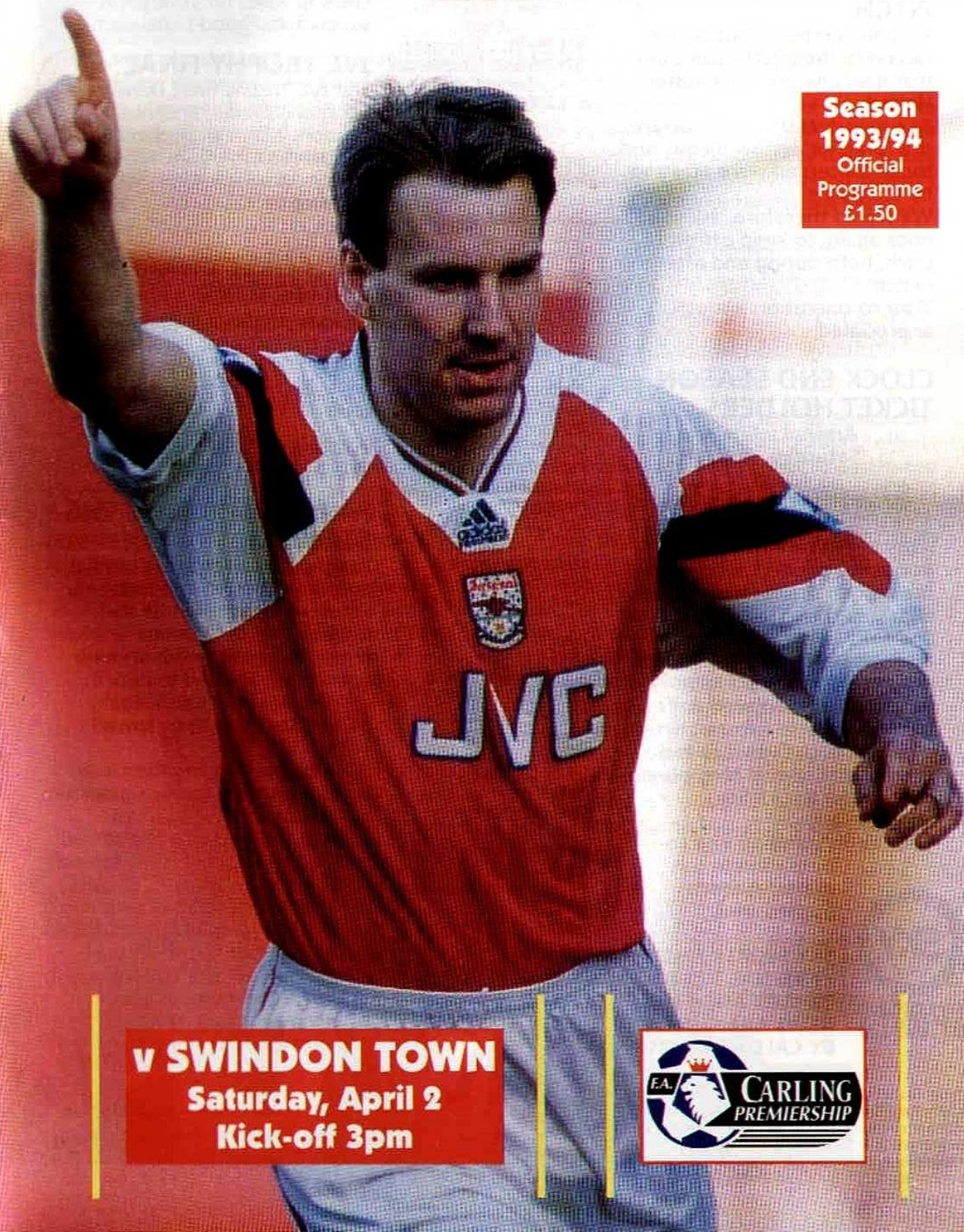
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v SWINDON TOWN
Saturday, April 2
Kick-off 3pm



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PLEASE KEEP OFF THE PITCH

A small number of supporters ran on to the pitch, after our first goal against Manchester United.

As supporters should be aware, this 'practice' is now illegal, and those concerned were arrested by the police.

We would therefore, ask you once again, to keep off the pitch, both during and after the match.

Your co-operation is much appreciated.

CLOCK END SEASON TICKET HOLDERS

Arsenal v Chelsea
Saturday, April 16
and

Arsenal v West Ham United
Saturday, April 30

After consultations with the police, it has been decided that the visiting supporters will be allocated the whole of the Clock End for each of these matches. By now, all Clock End season ticket holders should have received their replacement tickets for these fixtures. If anyone has not yet received their tickets, would they please contact the Box Office immediately.

Your understanding and co-operation in this matter is much appreciated.



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1993

RUNNERS-UP: 1927, 1932,
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LEAGUE CUP WINNERS: 1987,
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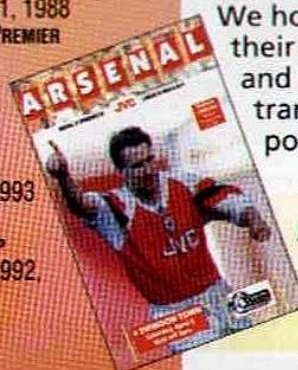
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Front Cover - Paul Merson
celebrates his winning goal
against Liverpool

Thank you to all our fans who went to Paris, for your great support and good behaviour.

JVC TROPHY FINAL

The JVC Trophy final, between Islington/Camden and West London, will be played in the JVC Centre this afternoon, kick-off 1.30pm. A senior JVC representative will present the prizes, on the pitch, at 2.30pm.

WELCOME, CHARITY COLLECTORS

Welcome to the charity collectors from the National Association for Colitis and Crohn's Disease, who are collecting outside the ground today.

WARNING TO SUPPORTERS.... BEWARE OF PICKPOCKETS

PARKING AROUND THE STADIUM

Parking around the stadium has become more difficult than ever in recent months. Under the Gillespie Traffic Scheme regulations, only residents with permits are allowed to park in residential areas. Cars illegally parked are likely to be towed away.

Now the parking situation is so tight, we appeal to our supporters to find alternative ways of coming to Highbury. We're well served by the tube, with Arsenal station and Finsbury Park close by. The 4, 19 and 236 buses run within 300 yards of the stadium.

We hope our fans will leave their cars on the edge of town and travel in by public transport whenever possible.

George GRAHAM

I WAS very pleased with our display in Paris on Tuesday. We carried the flag for England and the players produced a performance everyone could be proud of.

We'd done our homework and for most of the match we outplayed the team who'll probably be France's European Cup representatives next season.

Ian Wright scored another typical goal. Forget what you may have read. Ian was always going to play at Parc des Princes. There was never any question of leaving him out.

We can't worry about yellow cards. We've just got to focus on reaching the final in Copenhagen.

I'm not getting carried away. Paris St-Germain are a very good attacking team, and, as David Ginola says, they've already won at Real Madrid. They should also have their international defender Alain Roche back for the game here.

So we'll keep our feet on the ground, and approach the second leg with the same professional attitude we showed against Torino.

I may make more changes

today. In a very physical league like ours - where the matches are coming thick and fast - it's up to the manager to make sensible use of the squad system. The players understand the situation. They know they'll be rested then brought back. Mind you, it doesn't seem to have done our results any harm!

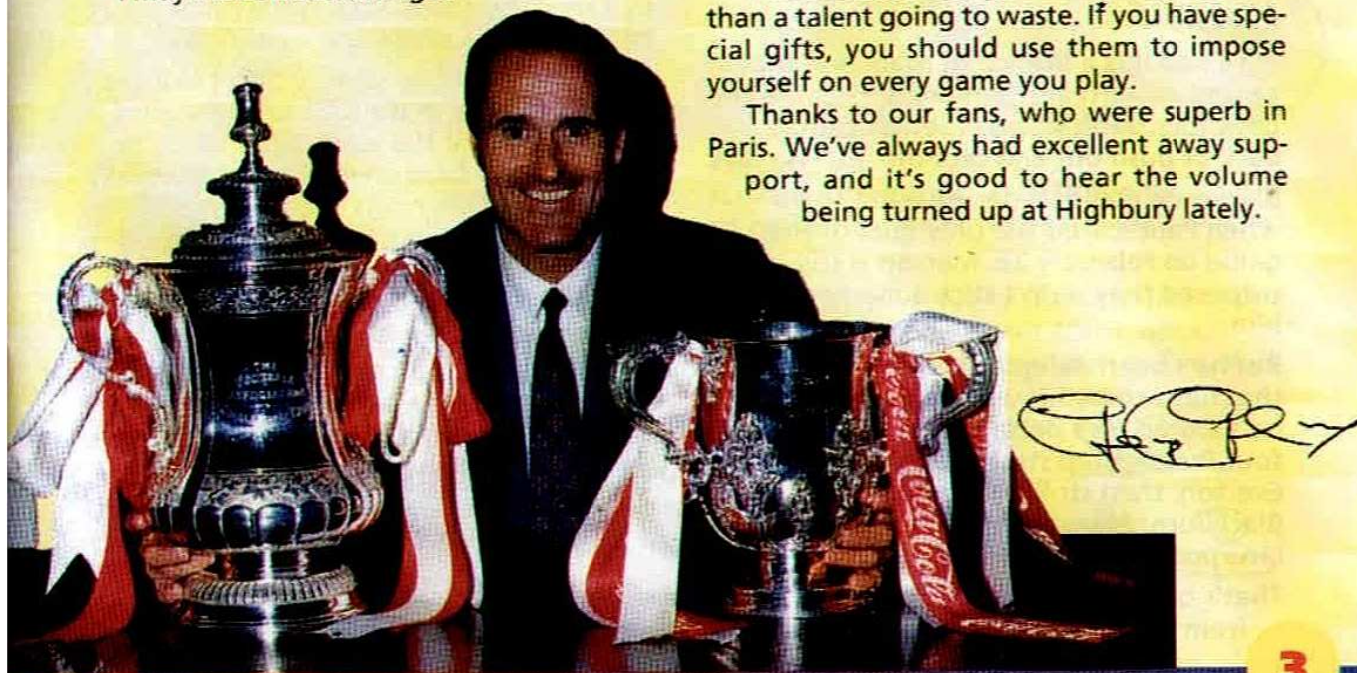
'It's up to the manager to make sensible use of the squad system. The players understand the situation.'

I was pleased with our display against Liverpool, for 70 minutes. The draining effects of the match against Manchester United took their toll in the last 20 minutes and David Seaman made some tremendous saves.

I was delighted with Paul Merson's form too. That's what I want, players with ability and desire. I've held up Ryan Giggs as an example - a great talent, who works very hard, and that's how Merse is playing now.

There are few things that annoy me more than a talent going to waste. If you have special gifts, you should use them to impose yourself on every game you play.

Thanks to our fans, who were superb in Paris. We've always had excellent away support, and it's good to hear the volume being turned up at Highbury lately.



George Graham can be heard after every match on CLUBCALL 0891 20 20 20

PAUL MERSON

is buzzing again. George Graham was quick to praise Merse after he buried Ian Selley's pass to beat Liverpool last Saturday.

Paris St-Germain clearly reckon Merson is one of the key men they'll have to try and stop on April 12.

The England international has enjoyed the tactical changes George Graham has made over the last two months.

The Gunners have been using a 4-3-3 system, which flattens out to 4-5-1 when the opposition are attacking. That's given Merson more freedom up front

Merse compares Arsenal with Cup Winners' Cup holders Parma. The Italian club use a similar formation, with Gianfranco Zola attacking from midfield.

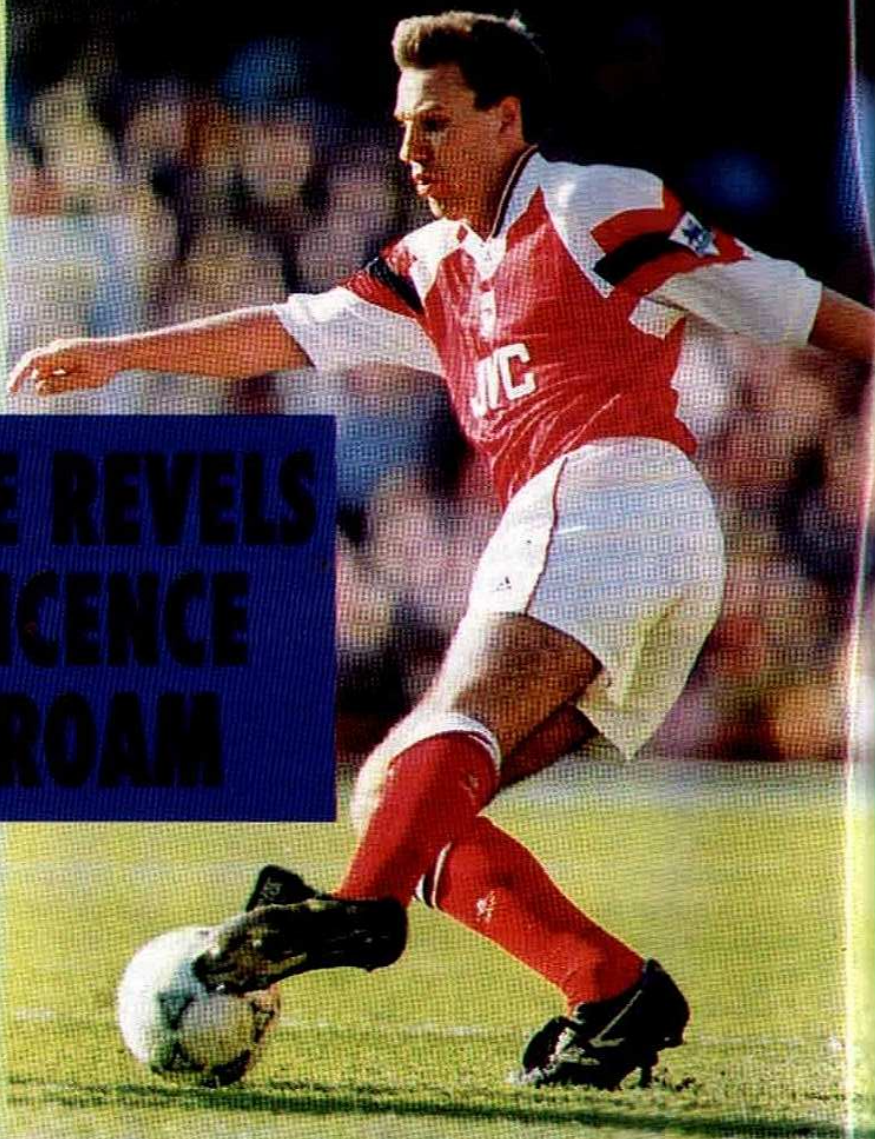
"I've had more licence to roam and that's caused other teams problems, because the back four don't know whether to stay back or push out and pick me up," he says.

Blackburn couldn't decide what to do when Paul scored the only goal of the game on February 26. Merson is still surprised they didn't stick a marker on him.

But he's been delighted with the chances that have come his way - and the goals he's scored. He's netted in each of his last four Premiership starts - beginning at Everton, then striking against Blackburn, Manchester United and Liverpool.

That's been a happy transformation from earlier in the season. Merse

MERSE REVELS IN LICENCE TO ROAM



was dropped after the opening day defeat by Coventry, and spent a while on the subs' bench over Christmas and New Year.

"I'm fitter now," he says: "I didn't work as hard as I might, at the start of the season, and I was out of the team. Since then I've worked really hard on my fitness, especially on running. These days I go running on my own, to keep me ticking over. I'm feeling good about the way I'm playing too. And you always have more energy if you're playing a good game rather than a bad one!"

"Now I've got to keep turning it on. The manager is rotating the squad and there's a lot of competition for places. Not many clubs could make the changes we've made recently, and carry on winning. After we'd scored five at Ipswich and four at Southampton, I was worried I might not get back in the team!"

I THINK our fans have a new game at the moment - 'Guess the Team'!

The manager has been ringing the changes and making full use of our squad. We're growing used to that. It's often said that the most successful teams are those that make the fewest changes. We're proving the exception to that rule!

Given the inevitable fixture congestion at this stage of the season though, it's inevitable that players will be 'rested' (like I was last Saturday).

The simplest solution would be to reduce the fixture list. But that's always easier said than done.

I understand that Emiliano Mondonico, the Torino coach, complained that his team had to play here two days after an Italian League match. I wonder what he'd say about the English Christmas/New Year fixtures!

It was a good performance and good result in Paris. As with Torino though, the job is only half done, and we must make sure we don't concede at Highbury.



TALKS

captain

I really thought John Jensen was going to score on Tuesday. Great save by Bernard Lama, otherwise JJ could have been collecting on a few little bets in the dressing room!

There's been a lot of talk about the eight yellow cards we've picked up in Europe (including one for me). But when you go into a match, you don't think about things like that. You can't afford to, because it puts you off your own game. As I told the press on the flight home, all I'm concerned about is Arsenal reaching the final.

On a personal note, arrangements are moving along for my testimonial game and I hope to make an announcement soon.

Thanks to our supporters. You were great again at the Parc des Princes.

Toss Jensen

INFORMATION

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP SEMI-FINAL

ARSENAL v PARIS ST-GERMAIN

European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final second leg
Tuesday, April 12
Kick-off 7.30pm

We have now sold all tickets for this match.

All season ticket holders should have applied for their tickets, as per the details contained in the programme for our match against Torino last month.

We would remind season ticket holders that their season ticket books are not valid for this match.

ARSENAL v WEST HAM UNITED

F.A. Carling Premiership
Saturday, April 30
Kick-off 3pm

AWAY MATCH TICKETS

QPR v ARSENAL

This game, scheduled for Wednesday, March 30, was postponed because of our European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final. It will now be played on Wednesday, April 27, and will be all ticket.

Listen to the PA announcements and watch the screens and scoreboards today for latest information.

windows in Avenell Road. Any unsold tickets will be available at Bramall Lane on the afternoon of the match.

ASTON VILLA v ARSENAL

F.A. Carling Premiership
Saturday, April 23
Kick-off 3pm

This match is not all ticket. We have received an allocation of approximately 4,500 seat tickets (price: £12 each).

These tickets are currently on sale to Bond holders, season ticket holders and Travel Club members only.

Any remaining tickets will go on general sale from the Box Office windows in Avenell Road, before our game against Wimbledon next Saturday (April 9).

Any unsold tickets will be available at Villa Park on the day of the match.

Tickets for each home match go on sale two calendar months in advance. Seat prices are:

East and West Upper Tiers

Centre (Blocks C & D and W & X) £23

Next to Centre (Blocks B & E and V & Y) £17

Wing (Blocks A & F and U & Z) £15

East and West Lower Tiers £11

North Bank Upper £18

North Bank Upper Wing £14

North Bank Lower £14

North Bank Lower Wing £11

Clock End Stand £10

Family Enclosure £11

(£5.50 for Cannon Club members and £5 for Junior Gunners)

Tickets are sold at a maximum of four per person. You can buy them in person, by post, or by ringing our 24-hour credit card line on 071 226 4050. (All credit card bookings must be made at least 72 hours before the kick-off).

**SEE GEORGE GRAHAM
ANNOUNCE TODAY'S
ARSENAL TEAM - LIVE ON
OUR GIANT SCREENS, HALF
AN HOUR BEFORE KICK-OFF!**

ARSENAL TRAVEL CLUB

Sheffield United v Arsenal

This match is not all ticket. The Travel Club has sold all its rail tickets. The train leaves St Pancras at 11am and arrives back at 7.55pm. The Travel Club has seat and terrace tickets on sale to members. Seats cost £14 (£7 for u-16s) and terrace tickets cost £8.50 (£5 for u-16s).

Aston Villa v Arsenal

Please call in at the Travel Club, or phone 071 359 0205, for latest information.

NO TICKETS AT NEWCASTLE
Newcastle United tell us that, because of rebuilding work

HOME MATCH TICKETS

You can now book for these matches:

ARSENAL v WIMBLEDON

F.A. Carling Premiership
Saturday, April 9
Kick-off 3pm

ARSENAL v CHELSEA

F.A. Carling Premiership
Saturday, April 16
Kick-off 3pm

SHEFFIELD UNITED v ARSENAL

F.A. Carling Premiership
Monday, April 4
Kick-off 3pm

This match is not all ticket. We have received an allocation of 2,000 seat tickets at £14 each and approximately 4,000 terrace tickets at £8.50 each. Remaining tickets are now on sale from the Box Office



The 'Fabulous Piazza Brothers' plus visiting Scandinavian fans, entertaining supporters in the North Bank stand

ARSENAL MUSEUM

We can now accommodate a limited number of North Bank match ticket holders on matchdays. Bond holders may still visit the Museum free of charge on production of their Bond cards (subject to space being available).

North Bank match ticket holders may now also gain admission by seeing the steward at the Museum entrance (subject to space being available). Admission costs £2 (adults) and £1 (u-16s and over-65s).

Remember, only 200 people are allowed into the Museum at any time, due to safety regulations - so please be patient if you have to wait to gain entry.

Charlie George is in the Museum on matchdays!

Friday is our day for general admission.

Adults £2; u-16s and over-65s £1

9.30am - 4pm (last entry)

Museum admission times next week:

Monday, April 4: closed

The Museum will be open from 9.30pm to 4pm on Tuesday, April 5, Wednesday, April 6, Thursday, April 7 and Friday, April 8.

MAKE MONEY

WITH ARSENAL

'Make Money with Arsenal' lottery tickets are on sale all around the ground.

They cost just 25p - and you could win £1,000

at St James' Park, they can't allocate any tickets to our supporters for the match on May 7.

ARSENAL INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF FOOTBALL

Teams are invited to take part in this prestigious tournament, to be held at the Royal Holloway College, Egham, Surrey, during the week of July 25 - July 30. Games will take place during the evenings, and all day Saturday and Sunday.

The categories are:

male: u-19, u-16, u-15, u-14, u-13

female: open, u-16, u-14

Players must be under the specified age, as of August 1, 1994.

Accommodation is available for teams travelling long distances.

For more information, please contact Bill Shipwright, Golden West Sports, 10 Coopers Row, Iwer Heath, Bucks SLO OHW (phone: 0753 651877; fax: 0753 654369)

LEAGUE CUP FINAL PROGRAMME

Swindon have produced a 25th anniversary official reprint of the programme for the Arsenal v Swindon Town 1969 League Cup final.

It's available from Swindon on mail order, inserted in their March 19 programme v Manchester United, and costs £2.70, including postage.

Swindon's address is: The County Ground, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN1 2ED.

The 1969
League Cup
final
programme



NICKY ENJOYS A NOSTALGIC RETURN



Nicky (ringed - centre, front) in his Arsenal youth team days. Can you spot Paul Merson, Mickey Thomas, Tony Adams, David Rocastle and Niall Quinn?

ARSENAL will play a key part in the Premiership relegation battle against Swindon today - and one former Gunner is keeping his fingers crossed.

Ex-Highbury trainee Nicky Hammond is coming back to Highbury with the bottom club.

It will be a nostalgic return for Swindon's 26 year-old goalkeeper, who played alongside so many of our future title winners in the mid-80s.

Nicky was given a free transfer to the County Ground in 1987, after loan spells with Aberdeen, Peterborough and Bristol Rovers.

Hammond's club haven't won away in the Premiership all season. Norwegian striker Jan Aage Fjortoft put them ahead at Blackburn a fortnight ago, but title-chasing Rovers rallied to win 3-1. That sums up Swindon's season. They've played a lot of entertaining football - but not gained the points to match.

Says Nicky: "It's a daunting task, coming to Highbury. But if we're going

to avoid relegation we need to start winning away games.

"We've never gone into any match with fear though, and we won't start now. We've put four goals past Manchester United this season and I don't think any other team has done that."

But Hammond readily admits that Swindon's problems have come in defence. Their 'goals against' tally - 80-plus - tells its own story.

Arsenal blasted four past them at the County Ground, when Kevin Campbell celebrated a hat trick, and Ian Wright cracked one of the goals of the season.

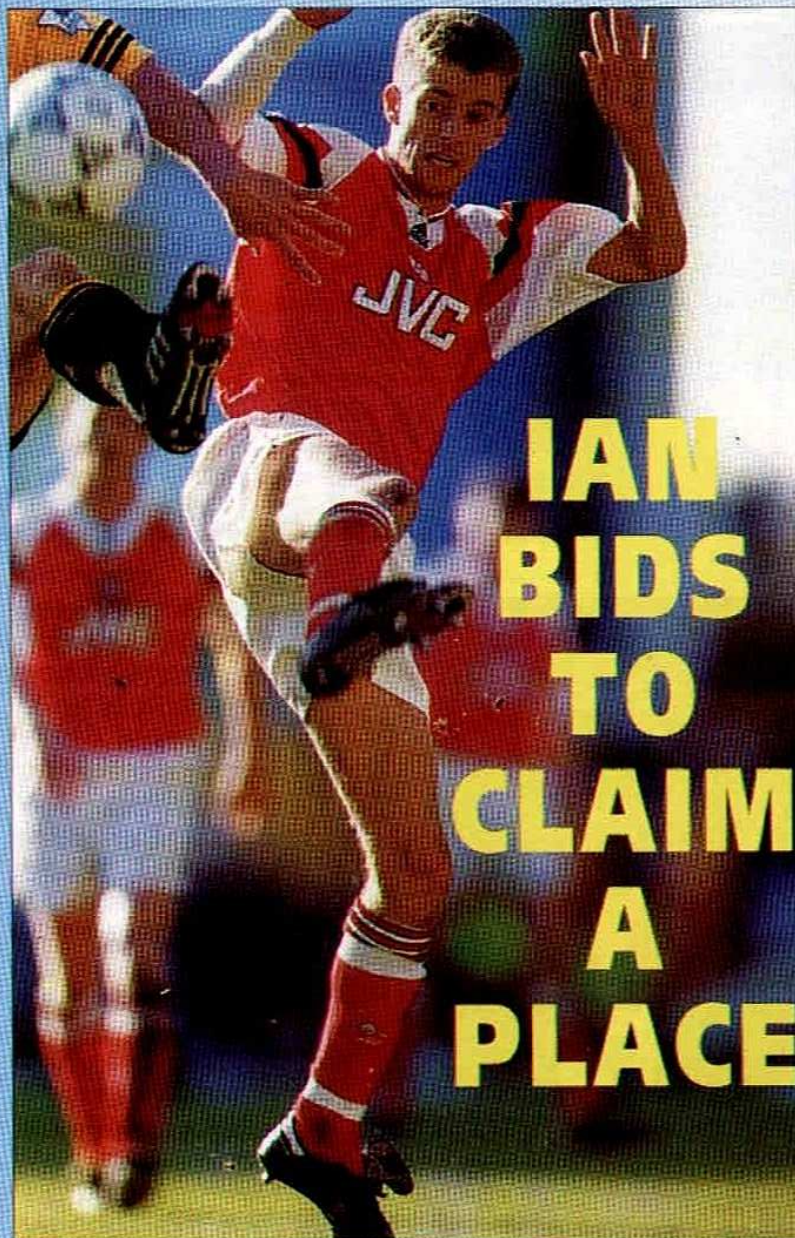
Nicky and colleagues expected their Premiership baptism would be tough. "It was always going to be hard this season. To lose Glenn Hoddle made it even harder," he says.

And he hopes the Gunners don't strike the form they showed on December 27. "Arsenal were superb that day. That was the best all-round team performance I've seen all season - and that includes Manchester United," says Nicky. "They're such a good team. Tony Adams - who I grew up with - is brilliant. David Seaman is, in my mind, the best goalkeeper in the country by a mile."

"Ian Wright is great up front. Then there's Kevin Campbell, who I also know from my younger days. He was always going to be good because he's so strong and direct."

Hammond - who's battled with Fraser Digby to be Swindon's first choice 'keeper this season - is looking forward to walking through the marble halls this afternoon.

"The stadium is filled with tradition. I grew up as a West Ham fan. But as soon as I signed for the Gunners I started supporting them," he says. "It was very hard to leave because nothing in England compares to Arsenal."



IAN SELLEY BIDS TO CLAIM A PLACE

IAN SELLEY hopes he can provide the answer to George Graham's long search for an all-round midfield player.

He's already collected a Coca Cola Cup winners' medal. He played in our F.A. Cup semi-final win over Tottenham. Now he's bidding to establish himself in time for the big night against Paris St-Germain on April 12. And if he can tuck away a goal or two, that will be a welcome bonus.

The 19 year-old from Surrey showed tremendous coolness when the Gunners

drew 1-1 with PS-G in the Parc des Princes on Tuesday. He's also used his energy and tackling power to good effect against Ipswich, Southampton, Manchester United and Liverpool.

The England youth international may not look like the strongest player on the pitch - George Graham even jokes that Ian's legs look like 'matchsticks' - but he likes to get stuck in.

Explains Ian: "My dad has always taught me that, because I'm small, I've got to go in twice as hard as

the rest of the players. Now tackling is one of the strongest aspects of my game and that's one of the reasons why.

"The match against Manchester United was the hardest battle I've had. But I like those sort of games, with lots of tackles flying about."

Selley has also enjoyed playing in a 4-3-3 formation which gives him licence to attack. More goals, to add to his strike against Standard Liege in that 7-0 rout, would boost his chances even higher.

"I like to go forward, but when we play a 4-4-2 system there are more restrictions. I'd like to score more goals. That's something I'm working on," he says. "I haven't been used to getting into the box, but in the last few games I've had several shooting chances."

Ian is still seeking his first Premiership score. Today would be an ideal occasion.

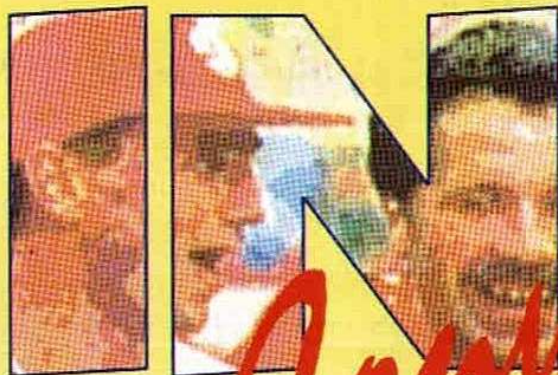
Selley watched from the sidelines when we won 4-0 at the County Ground on December 27.

He liked Swindon's style of football; but not their offside trap, which Ian Wright and Kevin Campbell ripped to shreds.

Says Ian: "I think they're a good footballing side. But I remember when we met them, they were there for the taking because of the way they played their offside trap. I'm sure they've worked on that."

"I hope they get out of trouble - but not against us!"

BY KEVIN CONNOLLY



Conversation

TERRY MURPHY

Our youth officer talks to Kevin Connolly

KC: Is it really harder than ever to find young players now?

TM: It's not so much that it's harder to find them - but it's becoming much harder to keep them!

KC: Why's that?

TM: There's always great competition for the top schoolboy players. But the new Premier League rules will make it much easier for schoolboy stars to pick and choose their clubs. Up to now, young players have signed associate schoolboy forms with a club, and they've



usually gone on to join that club as a trainee. The new rules will allow players to leave at 16, and move to whichever club they choose. The suggested compensation package is no consolation to a

club that loses one of its best youngsters, especially if he goes on to become a Premier League star. Under the previous regulations, if a young player wanted to move, a tribunal had to give its approval. Under the new rules, a club that loses a youngster will receive compensation of only £120,000 if he makes 50 first team appearances for his new club.

KC: There have always been rumours around the circuit about 'inducements' to promising youngsters. I know that's not

the way you work. But do you think payments should be legalised?

TM: No. I don't see why we should offer 'inducements' for young players to come to Arsenal. We've never

had to in the past, and I don't want to start now. I want youngsters to join us for the right reasons - because we offer top class coaching, great facilities and a friendly atmosphere. And young players know, that at Highbury, they'll get their chance quickly, if they're good enough. Look at all the ex-youth team players who've won championship medals - Tony Adams, David Rocastle, Michael Thomas, Martin Hayes, Mickey Thomas, David Hillier and Kevin Campbell. And Stephen Morrow won the Coca Cola Cup final for us. You have to join the club you think is best for you, football-wise. I know players who've joined clubs - for whatever reasons - and spent the next two or three years regretting it.

KC: Do parents ask you for 'inducements', to let their sons sign for Arsenal?

TM: Well, they may ask. I don't blame them for that. That's not our way though. As I said, we want boys to sign for us for the right reasons. I think boys and parents are impressed with our record of bringing youngsters through, and that works in our favour.



KC: I know you're a fan of the 'Centres of Excellence' that the F.A. have established. But they've caused you complications too..

TM: That's right. I've been all round the regional trials. The standards at every one have been very high. So it's much more difficult now to pick out the outstanding players. Centres of Excellence have definitely raised youngsters' skill levels - but scouts have to be much more selective. There's not much to choose between the best schoolboy stars - they've all been so well drilled.

KC: Are you worried then, that too much of the coaching is aimed

at stifling the game?

TM: Well, players these days are fitter, better organised and more able to stop the opposition. It's harder for individuals to stand out. It's the same in rugby and several other sports. It's the quality of the coaching, and the attitude behind it that matter. I believe we offer youngsters top quality coaching. And no-one could have a more positive attitude than

Pat Rice, who's been very successful, for a long time, at bringing players through our youth team.

At u-14 and u-15 levels we're able to experiment without pressure. We can change the team, change the formation. We want players to be flexible: to be comfortable on the ball. At youth team level, though, the game is very competitive.

There's a lot of pressure on youth coaches to win trophies. But that's not Arsenal's approach. Of course we want to win. If we lift the Youth Cup again that will be great. But the most important thing is developing players. That's one of Arsenal's traditions.

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION SEASON 1993/94

Aug 17	Norwich City	0-5
Aug 25	Swindon Town	2-1
Sep 1	Wimbledon	2-2
Sep 7	Oxford United	3-0
Sep 13	Portsmouth	2-0
Sep 21	West Ham United	1-3
Oct 7	Queens Park Rangers	1-2
Oct 12	Watford	4-3
Oct 23	Southampton	4-1
Oct 27	Tottenham Hotspur	2-2
Nov 3	Swindon Town	1-2
Nov 9	Tottenham Hotspur	1-2
Nov 17	Luton Town	1-1
Nov 20	Southampton	1-2
Nov 30	Queens Park Rangers	1-1
Dec 8	Watford	4-3
Dec 11	Portsmouth	3-1
Dec 14	Luton Town	2-3
Jan 12	Millwall	1-2
Jan 18	Chelsea	0-2
Jan 26	Ipswich Town	0-4
Jan 29	Wimbledon	4-0
Feb 1	Millwall	6-3
Feb 7	Bristol Rovers	0-3
Feb 10	Bristol City	0-0
Feb 15	Ipswich Town	2-3
Feb 23	Brighton & HA	1-0
Mar 1	Bristol Rovers	2-3
Mar 9	Norwich City	1-0
Mar 14	Chelsea	1-2
Mar 31	Oxford United	A
Apr 6	Charlton Athletic	A
Apr 19	Crystal Palace	A
Apr 26	Bristol City	H
May 3	Crystal Palace	H
	<i>to be announced</i>	
	West Ham United	A
	Brighton & HA	H
	Charlton Athletic	H

THE NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION Division One

(up to and including March 26)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chelsea	30	19	7	4	65	32	64
Ipswich Town	28	15	5	8	57	41	50
Southampton	31	14	8	9	54	53	50
Bristol Rovers	30	12	11	7	42	35	47
Swindon Town	28	14	2	12	37	36	44
Norwich City	30	12	7	11	51	46	43
West Ham U	25	11	8	6	38	28	41
Wimbledon	28	10	11	7	31	34	41
Tottenham H	26	11	6	9	47	29	39
Crystal Palace	28	10	9	9	38	34	39
Arsenal	30	11	5	14	53	55	38
Millwall	29	10	8	11	46	52	38
QPR	27	11	4	12	39	41	37
Portsmouth	30	8	10	12	37	46	34
Luton Town	28	9	5	14	48	56	32
Oxford United	30	7	9	14	42	51	30
Brighton & HA	24	7	8	9	28	25	29
Charlton A	25	8	2	15	38	45	26
Bristol City	27	6	7	14	60	59	25
Watford	26	6	6	14	35	53	24

PAT SETS TWIN TARGETS

Pat Rice has two goals for the rest of the season: to win the F.A. Youth Cup again - and to see his youngsters break into the reserves in numbers. Pat coached our 1988 Youth Cup winners, who included David Hillier, Kevin Campbell, Stephen Morrow and Alan Miller. Now he's just two games away from another final. West Ham or Bradford will try and bar our path to a meeting with the winners of the Millwall-Middlesbrough semi-final (2-2; second leg at The New Den on April 12).

"It would be great if we could win the Youth Cup again - terrific for the club, for the boys, and for me. But the most important part of my job is developing players. I want to see our current youngsters reaching the top of the ladder, like those players from the 1988 side. The chances are there, with reserve regulars going out on loan" he says. Gavin McGowan has already played for the first team, in that hectic pre-cup final spell last season. Defenders Matthew Rose, Chris McDonald and Graeme Hall, winger Michael Black, midfielder Stephen Hughes and topscorer Matthew Rawlins will come into contention for Combination spots too.



Matthew Rawlins...on target against Portsmouth



Meanwhile, Rice aims to give run-outs to schoolboy hopefuls like Isaiah Rankin and Greg Tello in our remaining South East Counties matches.

YOUNGSTERS HIT THREE AT POMPEY

The young Gunners shrugged off an early morning start to score a 3-0 win at Portsmouth last Saturday. "They passed very well in difficult windy conditions, and scored some good goals," said Rice: "A lot of the lads had been up since 5.30 in the morning, to get to Highbury in time for our 7.30am bus to the south coast - but you'd never have guessed it from the way they played!" Matthew Rawlins fired us ahead after a goalless first half, reacting quickest when the Pompey goalkeeper could only palm



Gavin McGowan...marked his return with a goal

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out Stephen Hughes's fierce left foot shot. Robbie Drake netted the second, with a flick header over the 'keeper from a left wing centre. Gavin McGowan cracked home the third, after Michael Black picked him out with a far post cross.



And YOUTHS

McGowan and Hughes both came through safely in their first game back after injury. Arsenal: Imber, Tello, Taylor, Howell (Rankin, 70 minutes), Crawley (Griggs, 65 minutes), Hall, Black, Drake, Rawlins, McGowan, Hughes

GEORDIE HOPES TO BRING YOUNGSTERS ON

George Armstrong is delighted that several of his Combination regulars have gone on loan till the end of the season. Now he aims to bring through some youngsters to fill the gaps. Neil Heaney has moved to Southampton in a £300,000 deal. He made his debut for the Saints in a goalless draw at Sheffield United last Saturday. On-loan Paul Dickov was outstanding for Brighton in a 1-1 draw at Exeter. Jimmy Carter made his Oxford loan debut at Grimsby - and he'll soon be joined at the Manor Ground by centre back Scott Marshall, whose arrival on loan was delayed by a hamstringing knock.

"There should be a lot of competition for places," says Geordie: "The chance is there for the youth players to push their way into the reserves. I've always thought the best youngsters should be challenging for a first team place after a year or two, like Tony Adams did. Now the opportunities are opening up."

YOUTH TEAM APPEARANCES AND GOALS 1993/94

(up to and including March 26)

	SECL	SJFC	SECLC	FAYC
Noel Imber	23	3	2	5
Timmy Griggs	21+1	2	2	3
Ross Taylor	21+1(2)	3	2	5
Jamie Howell	22(2)	2+1	2	4(1)
Chris McDonald	17+2(4,1p)	2(1)	2	4
Matthew Rose	18+1	3(1)	2	5(2)
Michael Black	20+1(5)	2	2	3(1)
Tony Clarke	15+4(9)	2	1(1)	3+1(1)
Matthew Rawlins	19+4(20)	3(1)	2	5(3,1p)
Gavin McGowan	17+1(2)	3	2	3
Stephen Hughes	19+3(5)	3	2(1)	5(1)
Isaiah Rankin	2+8	1(1)	-	2+1(1)
Kevin Dennis	11+4(2)	1	0+1	1(1)
Jermaine Wynter	4+3(2)	0+1	-	0+1
Greg Tello	5+1	-	0+1	-
Dafydd Owen	1	-	-	-
Richard Parsons	1	-	-	-
Robbie Drake	16(5)	-	1+1(1)	1
Graeme Hall	16	2	-	4+1
Orlando Hollingsworth	2+2	1	-	2
Danny Gladman	1	-	-	-
Chris Coffey	1	-	-	-
Richard Crawley	2	-	-	-
Jeffrey Woolsey	1	-	-	-
own goal	-(1)	-	-	-

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE SEASON 1993/94

Aug 14	Chelsea	3-1
Aug 21	Gillingham	3-1
Aug 28	Charlton Athletic	5-2
Sep 4	Leyton Orient	0-0
Sep 6	Ipswich Town (SJFC/1)	2-1
Sep 11	Watford	6-3
Sep 18	Bristol City (SECLC1)	1-1
Sep 25	Bristol City (SECLC1R)	2-3
Oct 9	Cambridge United	1-1
Oct 16	Norwich City	2-0
Oct 23	Ipswich Town	3-2
Oct 30	Ipswich Town	1-2
Nov 6	Southend United	7-1
Nov 13	Millwall	3-0
Nov 20	Portsmouth	1-1
Nov 23	Luton Town (SJFC/2)	2-1
Nov 27	Fulham	0-3
Nov 29	Colchester (FAYC/2)	3-2
Dec 4	West Ham United	3-1
Dec 11	West Ham United	3-3
Jan 1	Chelsea	0-2
Jan 12	Brentford (FAYC/3)	1-1
Jan 15	Charlton Athletic	3-1
Jan 17	Brentford (FAYC/3R)	3-1
Jan 22	Leyton Orient	1-1
Jan 24	Brighton & HA (SJFC/3)	0-1
Jan 29	Watford	0-2
Jan 31	Burnley (FAYC/4)	1-0
Feb 5	Queens Park Rangers	1-2
Feb 12	Fulham	2-2
Feb 19	Cambridge United	1-2
Feb 21	Stoke City (FAYC/QF)	3-1
Mar 12	Southend United	5-1
Mar 19	Millwall	2-2
Mar 26	Portsmouth	3-0
Apr 2	Queens Park Rangers	A
Apr 9	Tottenham Hotspur	H
Apr 16	Gillingham	A
Apr 30	Tottenham Hotspur	A
May 7	Norwich City	A
	to be arranged	
	West Ham or Bradford City (FAYC SF/1)	A
	West Ham or Bradford City (FAYC SF/2)	H

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE (up to and including March 26)

	Goals						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
QPR	24	20	1	3	103	41	42
Tottenham H	25	17	3	5	71	33	37
Millwall	24	17	2	5	71	44	36
Fulham	25	16	2	7	49	36	34
Chelsea	25	15	3	7	52	33	33
West Ham U	23	13	5	5	56	30	31
Arsenal	25	12	7	6	59	36	31
Ipswich Town	28	11	7	10	50	44	29
Watford	26	10	2	14	44	56	22
Norwich City	26	10	2	14	36	49	22
Cambridge U	27	6	7	14	37	63	19
Leyton Orient	27	6	6	15	29	54	18
Southend U	28	7	3	18	35	73	17
Portsmouth	24	6	4	14	36	62	16
Gillingham	26	4	4	18	26	61	12
Charlton A	27	5	2	20	42	81	12



by Ken Goldman, of
the London Coaches
and Referees Society

side. The second case concerns the goalie touching the ball with his hands after it has been deliberately kicked to him by a team mate.

The facts rule out the latter instance and informed opinion would eliminate the former, because there was no intention by David to release the ball into play when he accidentally let it slip from his grasp. There was neither a breach of the letter nor spirit of the law.

Having, I hope, cleared that one up, what about the allegation that goalkeepers are over-protected?

MORE GOALKEEPING WOES

HAVING written about the laws of the game in programmes throughout the season I'm invariably questioned whenever a controversial incident is seen on television.

One of the more interesting ones surrounded an incident involving David Seaman in the F.A. Cup tie against Bolton.

David went to throw the ball, mishandled it, picked it up and then kicked it down field. The TV pundits suggested that an indirect free kick should have been awarded against him - presumably on the basis that the goalkeeper handled the ball

twice, which is not allowed under the Laws as they stand.

The referee quite rightly 'played-on': because what those pundits forgot is that there must be a deliberate intention to breach the laws. Although David had let the ball slip from his grasp he had no intention of putting the ball down and picking it up again. He clearly reacted as any goalkeeper would and, of course, he released the ball straightaway. The law governing the incident comes under Law 12, relating to fouls and misconduct, and can only fall under sub-rule 5(b) or 5(c). The first deals with releasing the ball into play after taking four steps before it has been touched by another player on either

It is almost universally forgotten that the goalkeeper holds a special position in his own goal area. The same Law 12 prohibits charging the goalkeeper except when he is holding the ball and has both feet on the ground. Therefore jumping at a goalkeeper in the air in his goal area is not permitted. There are official decisions which indicate that, in case of body contact between an attacking player and a goalkeeper not in possession of the ball, the referee is the sole judge of intention. He should stop the game and award an indirect free kick if, in his opinion, the action of the attacking player was intentional.

Finally, advice given to referees suggests that although an opponent is entitled to charge the goalkeeper when he has possession of the ball with both feet on the ground, it is not permissible for an opponent to kick or attempt to kick the ball under those circumstances.

There have been at least three controversial incidents involving goalkeepers in F.A. Cup finals - all resulting in goals. The most famous was Nat Lofthouse's 'charge' on Manchester United's Harry Gregg, which brought Bolton's second, decisive, goal in the 1958 final. Nowadays, the incidence of such controversies is reduced by referees, quite rightly treating the goalkeeper as an endangered species.



LADIES Arsenal

by KEVIN CONNOLLY

WIN BOOSTS GIRLS FOR SEMI-FINAL

THE Gunners girls kept up their Premier League title challenge with an impressive 4-0 win over Leasowe at Beckenham last Sunday.

Said manager Vic Akers: "It was a great psychological boost, with the League Cup semi-final against Leasowe coming up on April 10. I was very pleased, especially with our first half performance. That was much more like our old selves. There was a lot of good passing and sharp finishing.

"Karen Philp filled in very well for Mich Curley at left back. She's switched very quickly from a forward to an emergency left back. She gives us balance because she's one of the few left footed players in our squad."

Philp also drove home our third goal, just before the interval. Kirsty Pealling and Marieanne Spacey started the move on the right, and Spacey's diagonal pass released Philp to run on and score.

By then, Naz Ball had struck twice. She reacted fastest to put us ahead, after Gill Wylie headed down a corner. Then she met a right wing cross with a powerful header for our second.

Sub Kelly Few set up number four, after 75 minutes. Her lob out of defence pierced the Leasowe offside trap and Spacey broke clear to chip the goalkeeper.

Arsenal: Shipp, Pealling, Philp, Wylie (Few, 70 minutes), Britton, Barber, Williams, Bampton, Spacey, Ball (Benham, 85 minutes), Churchman

• The girl Gunners are away to Knowsley tomorrow in a re-arranged Premier League match



Naz Ball...two more goals

Rebecca Loneragan...her goals took our reserves into the League Cup final



PREMIER LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	
September 12	Ipswich	7-0
October 3	Wembley	5-0
October 17	Red Star Southampton	7-0
October 24	Stanton Rangers	2-2
October 31	Horsham (LC1)	6-0
November 21	Ipswich	11-1
November 28	Kidderminster (LC2)	6-0
December 5	Sheffield Weds (WFAC4)	8-0
December 12	Knowsley	2-2
January 30	Red Star Southampton (LC3)	9-1
February 2	Wembley (WFAC5)	4-2
February 6	Wimbledon	9-2
February 13	Knowsley (WFAC6)	0-1
March 6	Wembley	2-3
March 20	Doncaster Belles	2-2
March 27	Leasowe	4-0
April 3	Knowsley	A
April 10	Leasowe (LC SF)	H

To be arranged

Millwall Lionesses	A*
Doncaster Belles	H*
Leasowe	A
Millwall Lionesses	H
Stanton Rangers	A
Red Star Southampton	H*
Wimbledon	H*

All home games played at Enfield FC

*These games have been postponed because of England international calls

LONERGAN ON TARGET

Rebecca Loneragan netted both goals as our reserves beat Hackney 2-0 in the Greater London League Cup semi-final on Sunday.

We meet Wembley or Brentford in the final.

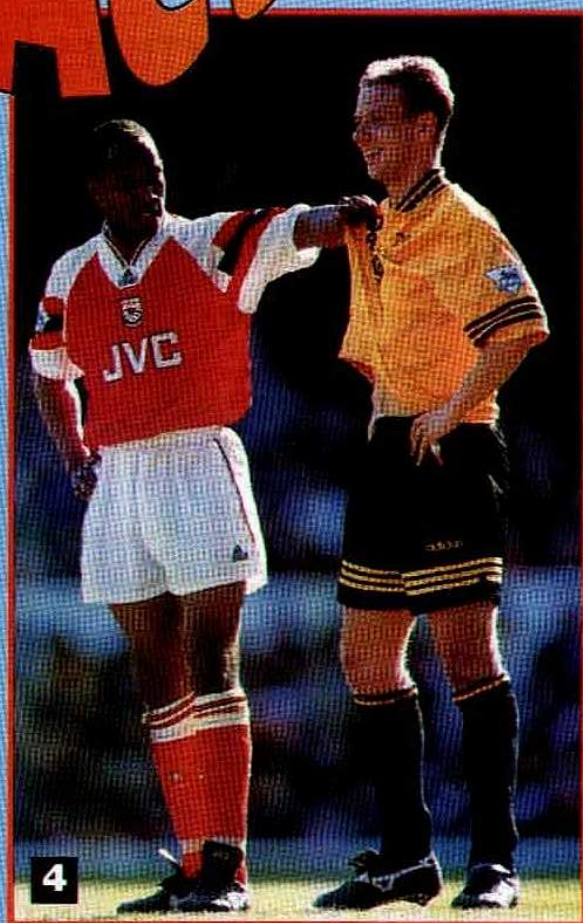
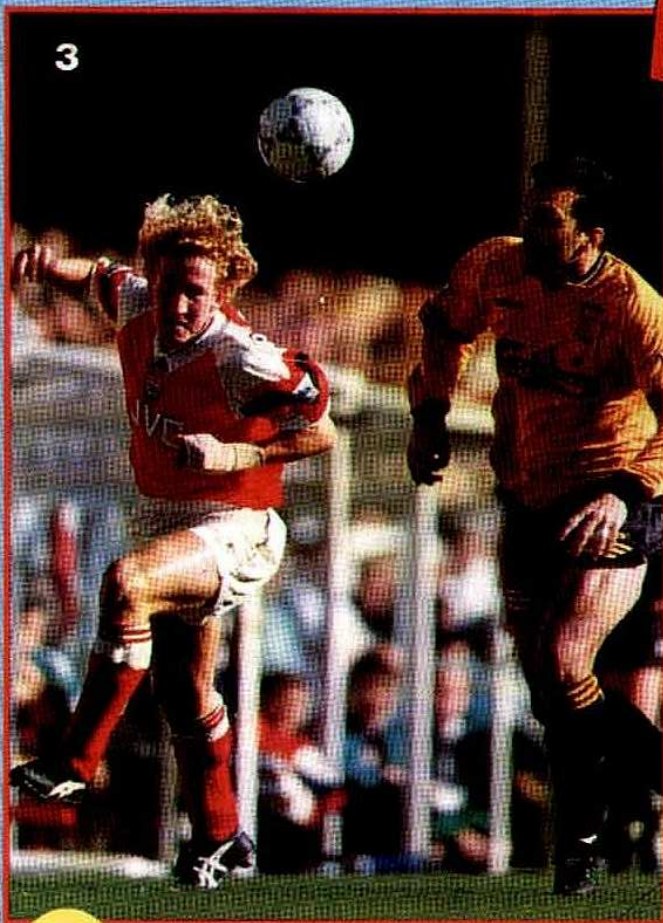
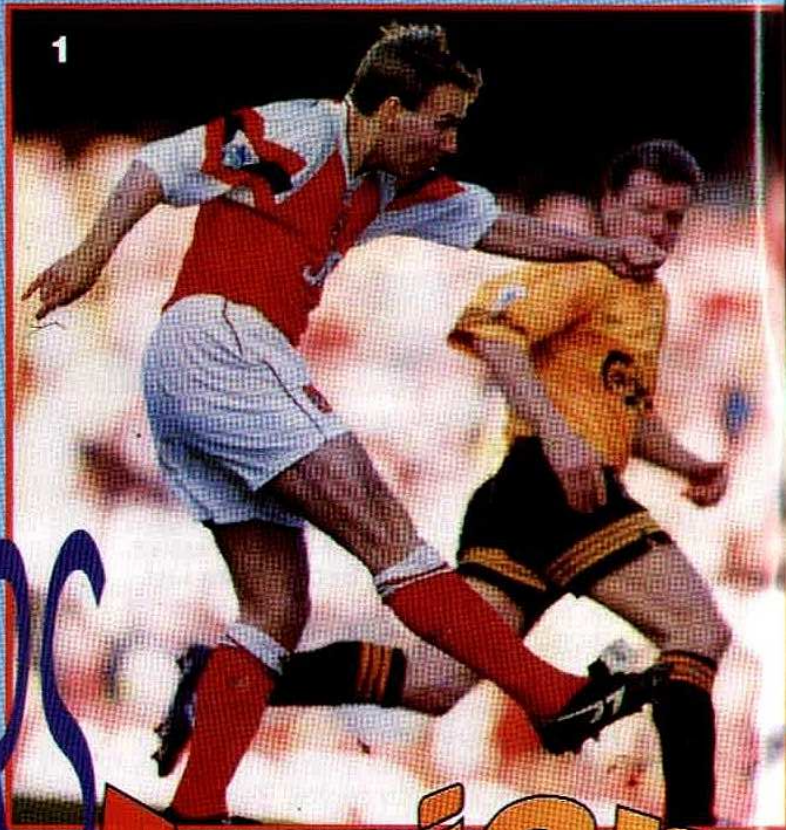
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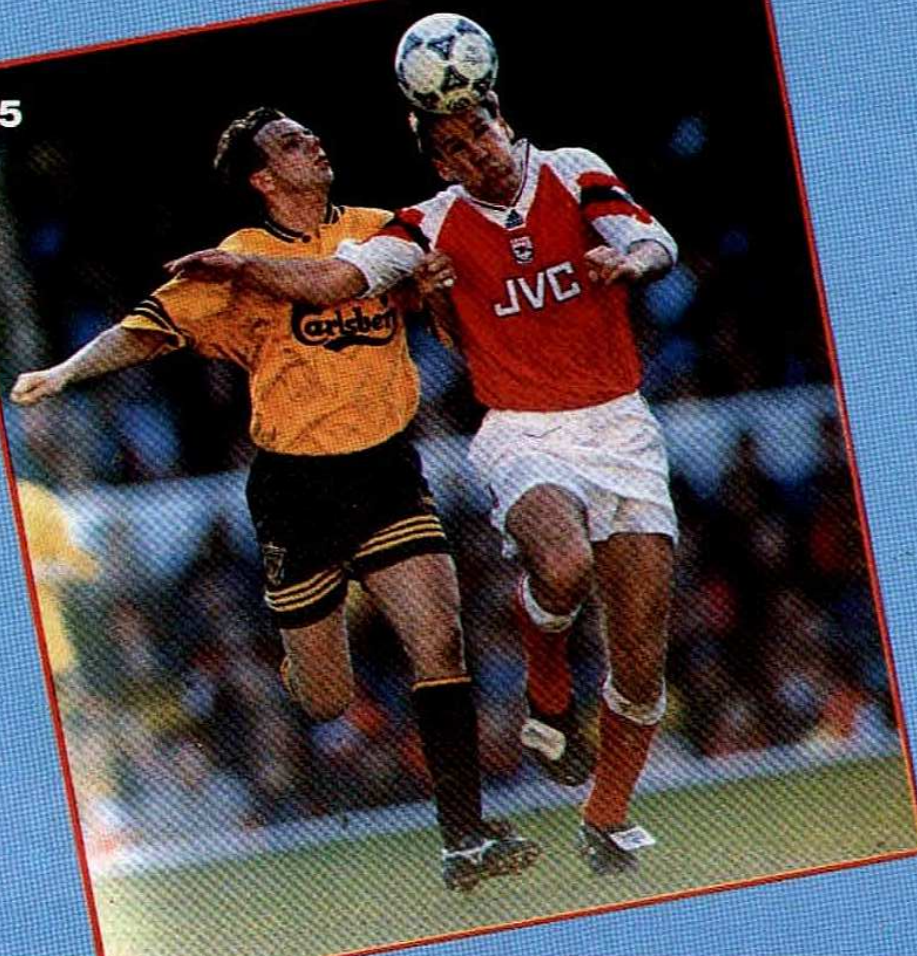
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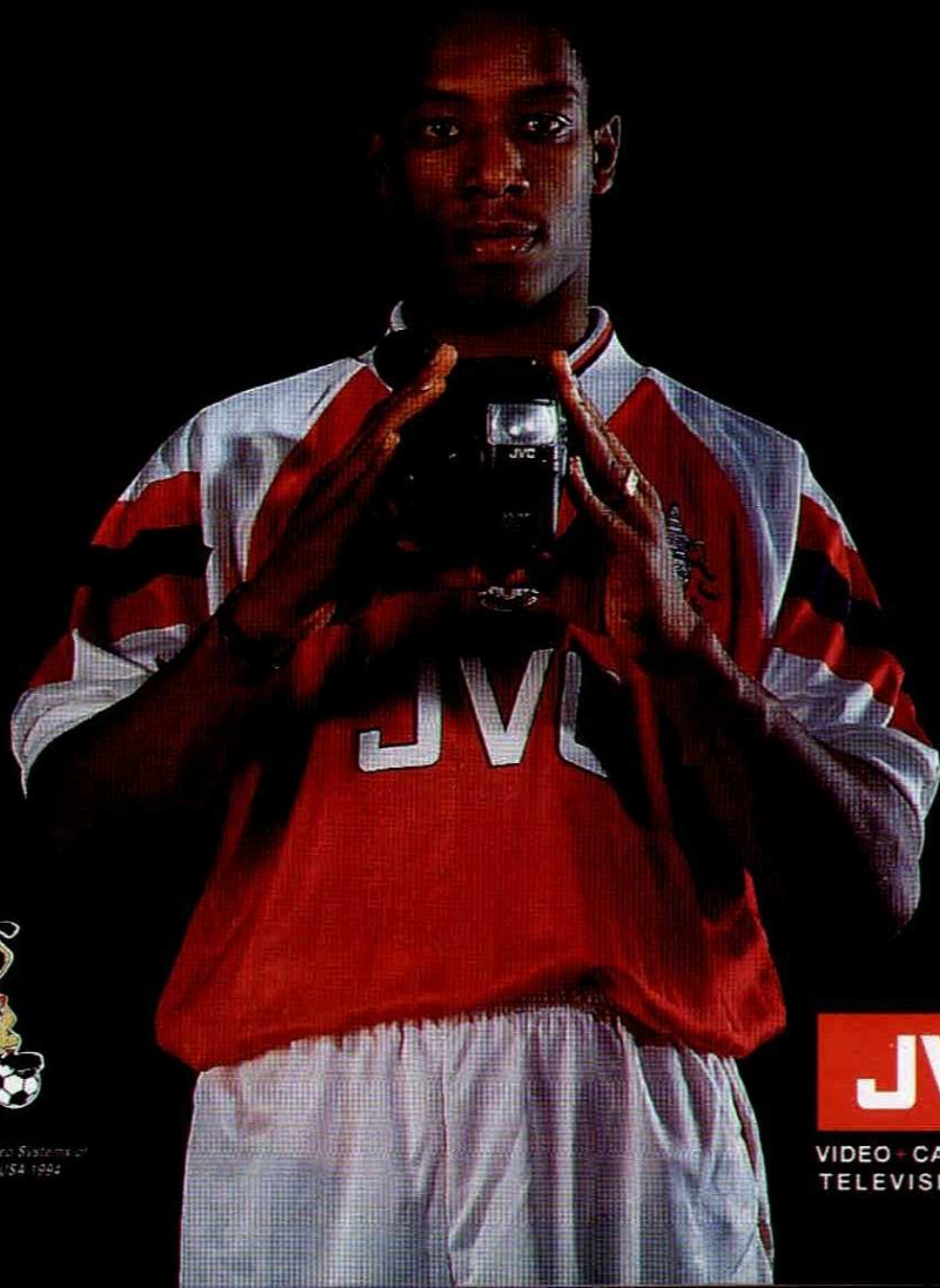
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- 1 Our scorer, Paul Merson, fires in a left foot shot.
- 2 Ian Wright chips over a cross, despite the attentions of Julian Dicks
- 3 Ray Parlour wins a header with Neil Ruddock
- 4 'Give me a couple of inches, Rob!' ...Ian Wright and Rob Jones line up for a free kick
- 5 Paul Merson heads down and tries to break clear from Rob Jones

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LOOKING

10 YEARS AGO

Second half goals from Charlie Nicholas, Paul Mariner and Tony Woodcock gave us a 3-1 victory over Stoke City at Highbury. It was our third win in a row. Mark Chamberlain was on target for the Potters. The Arsenal team was: Lukic, Hill, Sparrow, Talbot, O'Leary, Caton, Robson, Nicholas (Meade), Mariner, Woodcock, Rix. Swindon lost 0-2 at home to Aldershot in a Fourth Division game.

Liverpool retained their two-point lead at the top of the First Division after thrashing West Ham 6-0 at Anfield. Ian Rush (2), Graeme Souness (2), Kenny Dalglish and Ronnie Whelan were the Reds' goalscorers.

Bryan Robson's goal was sufficient to give Manchester United victory over Birmingham at Old Trafford and to keep them on Liverpool's tail.

John Deehan scored four of the goals - two from penalties - in Norwich City's 6-1 home win over Watford.

Gary Lineker claimed both goals in Leicester's 2-2 draw at Southampton.

Kerry Dixon (2), David Speedie and Pat Nevin were on the mark in Chelsea's 4-0 home win over neighbouring Fulham in Division Two.

20 YEARS AGO

We extended our unbeaten run to five games with a goalless draw against West Ham at Highbury.

The Arsenal team was: Wilson, Rice, Nelson, Storey, Blockley, Kelly, Armstrong, Ball, Radford, Kennedy, George.

Peter Eastoe scored Swindon's equaliser in their 1-1 draw at Aston Villa. But, without a win in 13 League attempts, Swindon remained

victory over Queens Park Rangers. Alec Lindsay gave Liverpool an early lead from the spot and, though David Thomas equalised, Liverpool regained the advantage when Terry Mancini, who later became an Arsenal player, put the ball into his own net.

Malcolm Macdonald scored twice - one a penalty - in Newcastle's 2-1 home win over Everton.

30 YEARS AGO

Alan Skirton's goal gave the Gunners a 1-0 victory at Blackpool.

The Arsenal team was: Furnell, Magill, McCullough, Neill, Ure, Simpson, Skirton, Court, Baker, Eastham, Armstrong.

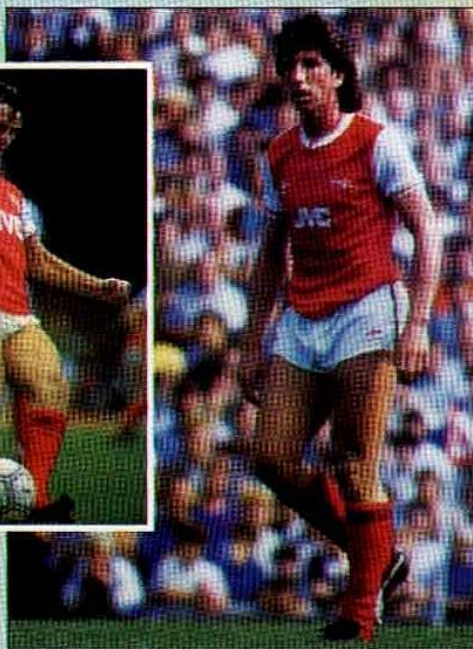
Though Bill Atkins gave them a half time lead, Swindon went down 1-2 at home to Huddersfield in Division Two.

A crowd of 52,559 watched First Division leaders Liverpool defeat third-placed Manchester United 3-0 at Anfield. The goals came from Ian Callaghan and Alf Arrowsmith (2).

Two goals from Tony Hateley clinched Aston Villa's 2-0 home victory over Burnley.

Spectators at White Hart Lane saw two hat tricks. Cliff Jones got three of the goals which gave Spurs a 6-3 home win over Ipswich. Gerry Baker scored all the Ipswich goals.

Colin Addison, who later joined the Gunners, netted three times in Nottingham Forest's 4-0 home win over Birmingham.



Paul Mariner and (inset) Charlie Nicholas

firmly anchored to the bottom of the Second Division, six points behind the next club Preston. Goals from Peter Lorimer and Billy Bremner earned First Division leaders Leeds a 2-0 home win over Derby. Liverpool, who had three games in hand, remained four points behind Leeds following their 2-1 home

BACK...

ARSENAL SPORT

ARSENAL SOCCER SCHOOL DURING THE EASTER HOLIDAYS

WE have completed the first week of our packed Easter holidays Soccer School programme. Details for weeks 2 and 3 are printed below.

For Soccer Schools taking place this week it will be too late to send in an application form. If you want to come along you will have to bring your application form with you and take pot luck. There should be room but a place is not guaranteed.

For week 3, send in your application form and turn up at your chosen venue at 9.45am ready for action. There will be no confirmation.

This week:

Arsenal Sports Centre
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Tuesday, April 5 - Friday, April 8
Ages: 9 - 14
Times: 10am-3pm
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Cost: £12
Tuesday, April 5 and Wednesday, April 6

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Bushey, Herts
Ages: 7 - 12
Times: 10am-3pm
Cost: £12
Thursday, April 7 and Friday, April 8

Palmers Green Firs Farm Primary School
Rayleigh Road, N13
Ages: 7 - 12
Times: 10am-3pm
Cost: £25
Tuesday, April 5 - Friday, April 8

East Finchley Martin Primary School
High Road (off the North Circular) N2
Ages: 7 - 12
Times: 10am-3pm
Cost: £20
Tuesday, April 5 - Friday, April 8

Week 3:

Bushey Hartsbourne Primary School
Hartsbourne Road
Bushey, Herts
Ages: 7 - 12
Times: 10am-3pm
Cost: £12
Wednesday, April 13 and Thursday, April 14

Stevenage Camps Hill Primary School
Chells Way, Stevenage
Ages: 7 - 12
Times: 10am-3pm
Cost: £30
Monday, April 11 - Friday, April 15

APPLICATION FORM FOR SOCCER SCHOOLS

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Age Date of birth

Address

Telephone

(day) (evening)

Course

Money enclosed

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Signature

There will be no confirmation - please arrive at your chosen venue at the stated time.

WELCOME.....

TO the children and their families who attended last year's Arsenal Residential Soccer School. They will be coming to today's game from all parts of the country from Newcastle to the Isle of Wight. Children are prepared to travel a long way for a great soccer holiday! This year's residential course will take place at Sparsholt College, Winchester from Sunday, August 21 to Friday, August 26. Ring us on 071 226 2150 for details.

YOUR CHANCE TO PLAY ON THE MAGNIFICENT PITCH IN OUR STADIUM

THE way our home fixtures have been scheduled, it looks as though we'll be able to organise our end-of-season Charity Shield on the pitch again at the beginning of May before groundsmen Steve Braddock and Darren Baldwin start preparing the pitch for the new season.

The tournament starts World Cup-style in groups then moves onto a knock-out. We will be asking for a charitable donation of £750 for a squad of up to 14 players.

Numbers will be limited.

Apply early on the application form and we will send you greater details and 'Play at Arsenal' Sponsorship Forms.

Sponsorship money won't have to be in until late April so there is plenty of time for teams to raise funds.

APPLICATION FORM - ARSENAL CHARITY SHIELD

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Name of team

Name and address of manager

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Second contact name

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(work)

My team agrees to abide by the rules of the tournament

Signed

Date

ARSENAL YOUNGSTERS EXCEL IN ADULT LEAGUE

ARSENAL'S young hockey team competed in an adult league this season with outstanding results. The players are all local boys who took up the sport as a result of Arsenal's Community School's Coaching programme and are all aged between 12-17 years.

The group of youngsters were pleased with their final fourth place. But having drawn 0-0 with the eventual league winners

realised their placing could have been higher. The players move onto play in a tougher league next season leaving way for fresh youngsters to be blooded in the Gunners team.

Arsenal warmly welcome Higgins Group PLC and their guests to today's game. Sponsors of our young hockey team and of our Community Sports unit's mini-bus. Higgins Group are certainly doing their bit for the community.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope you enjoy the match.

P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Final position
16	10	3	3	47	21	33	4th

ARSENAL EX- PROFESSIONAL AND CELEBRITY TEAM

Forthcoming fixtures:

Sunday, April 3 v New Ash Green F.C. at

The Sports Pavilion

Punchcroft

New Ash Green, Kent

Kick-off 2pm

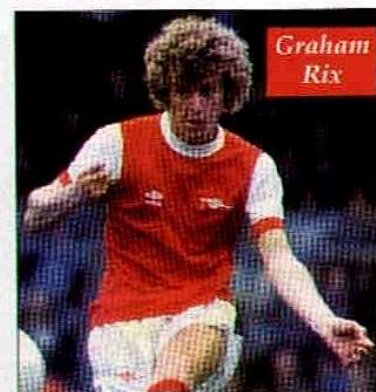
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There'll be a guest appearance from ex-Gunners favourite Graham Rix, whose brother Ian coaches the New Ash Green side.



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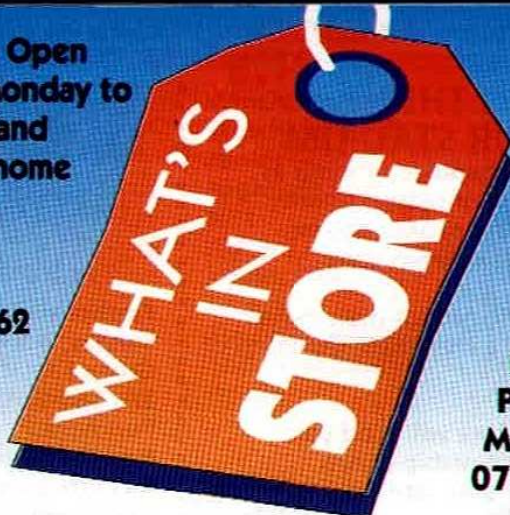
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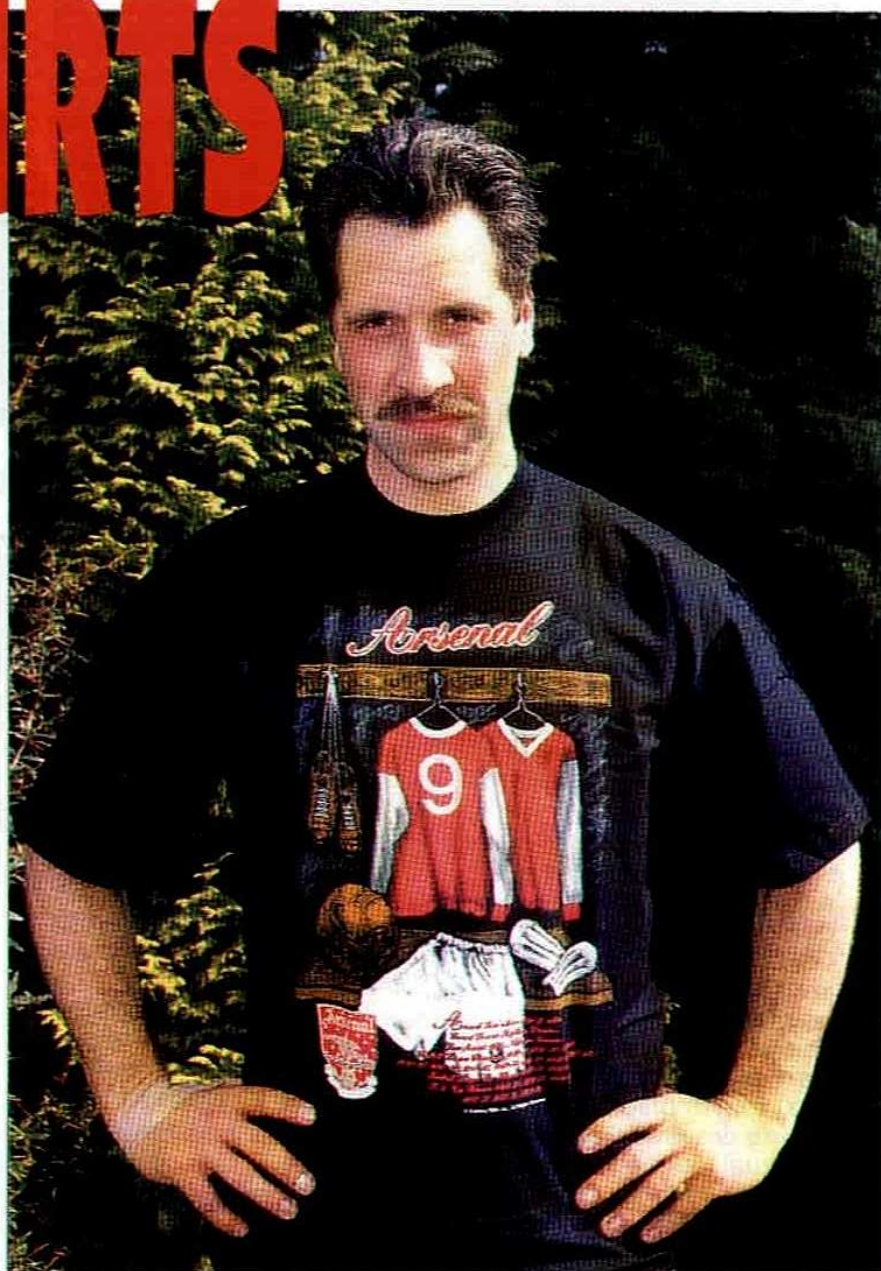
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Arsenal MAILBOX

GREETINGS FROM LONDON-BASED TORINO FANS

May I thank you on behalf of all the Torino supporters who came to the European Cup Winners' Cup quarter-final. I run the London branch of the Torino Supporters Club, and, as you saw, we had quite a few fans at Highbury.

My three brothers and their friends came over from Turin and were very impressed with the stadium and the excellent pitch as well as the English hospitality. It was a bit different from the drums and fire-crackers they are used to at the Stadio delle Alpi but they enjoyed the closeness of the fans to the pitch - being on top of the action - even if the result went against us.

As an adopted Arsenal supporter I had mixed emotions on the night but I suppose I couldn't lose! We wish the Gunners good luck.

For more information on the Torino Supporters Club for all exiled Italian fans, please contact me.

Paolo Rebaironinni
Barnowl House
169 St Edmunds Road
Edmonton N9

A GREAT GUNNER IN GAMBIA

Pictured here is N'Jundu

Cessay, who I met recently while on holiday in Gambia, where we became firm friends.

He works as head barman at the Palm Grove Hotel, but his abiding passion is Arsenal. Although his only sources of information are short wave radio and the occasional English newspaper, his knowledge of the club is phenomenal. He has never seen the Gunners play, but I have sent him videos of both cup finals from last season, and the quarter-final win over Torino.

Ian Wright is his hero, and his commitment is such that he is hoping to establish a supporters club branch in west Africa. So correspondence

from home-based Gunners would be much appreciated.

Mike Graham
Garston

Liverpool 19

N'Jundu Cessay's address is: P.M.B. 381, Serrekunda, Gambia, West Africa

EUROPEAN QUALIFICATION - WHAT'S THE LATEST?

How does Aston Villa's Coca Cola Cup final win over Manchester United affect European qualification for next season?

R.J Lamont
Mill Hill

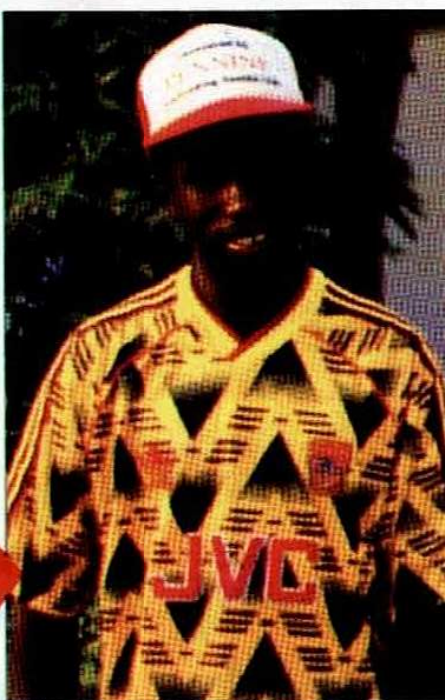
It's closed down several options. If United win the title, then the Premiership runners-up will go into the UEFA Cup, along with Villa.

If Blackburn win the championship, then United, as runners-up, would go into the UEFA Cup along with Villa.

If United win the title and the F.A. Cup, the cup final runners-up would go into the Cup Winners Cup.

If United win the F.A. Cup but not the championship (even if they finish runners-up), they'll play in the Cup Winners' Cup, and the third-placed team will go into the UEFA Cup.

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STAR
PROFILE

*Jimmy
Carter*



Photo by Bill Smith

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Today's screen programme:

1pm... Arsenal v Swindon Head-to-Head, featuring...

- the top action from the match at Swindon on December 27
- 'Golden Moments', from

past Arsenal-Liverpool contests

- all the match statistics
- 1.10pm...** Arsenal highlights, featuring...
- action from our game against Liverpool and the trip to Paris
- news, views, club information, and interviews with the Gunners players

followed by... Arsenal v Swindon Head-to-Head

1.50pm... repeat of the full programme first shown at 1.10pm

2.30pm... George Graham announces this afternoon's

Arsenal team, followed by

2.40pm... live interviews around the stadium, conducted by our DJ, Paul Burrell

2.50pm... Face-by-face team line-ups

3.45pm... First half highlights and action replays

4.45pm... All the match highlights, with action replays, plus full time and latest scores from today's other games

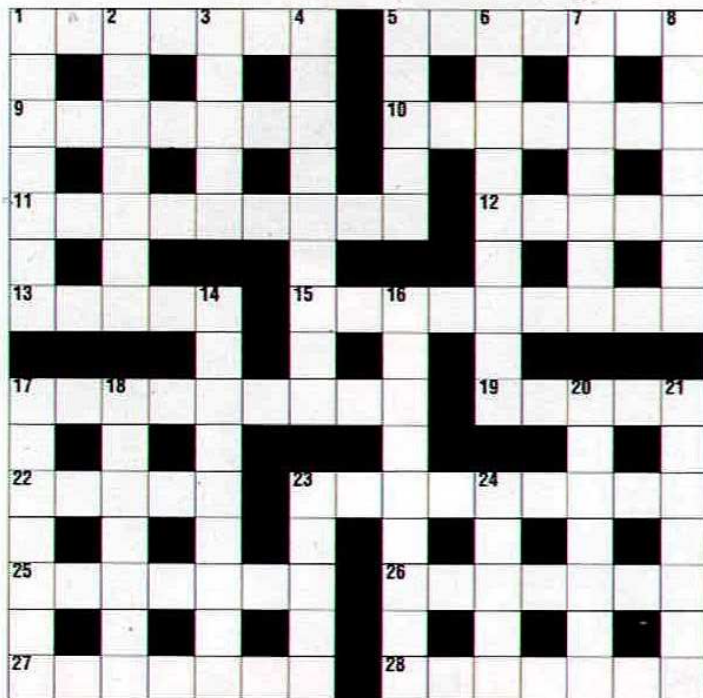
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CROSSWORD

No. 670

Compiled by
John Barrett

Arsenal CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Supports defenders forward? (5,2)
- First-class race? (7)
- Souness managed them (7)
- Dreadful performance (7)
- Warm-up exercises (9)
- Ankle injury, Oliver? (5)
- Rolled back in the memory (5)
- Venables transferred him (9)
- Chelsea's old 'Chopper' (3,6)
- Notices penalty places (5)
- Slip down the table (5)
- Massacre (9)
- Not a shot to savour (3,4)
- Sport to catch Alan? (7)
- Thrown out of the ground (7)
- Makes the ball bounce (7)

DOWN

- One of John Bond's clubs (7)
- Mercurial Frenchman (7)
- and 8. Nottingham Forest defender (5,7)
- Carried by the team (9)
- Rugby has two (5)
- Set on reaching the top (9)
- A time of departure (7)
- See 3.
- He takes the blame (9)
- Kept up (9)
- Supporter's favour (7)
- Simplicity (7)
- Show superior speed (7)
- Beyond what is needed (7)
- Gary, from Elland Road (5)
- Manage, somehow, to beat (3,2)

SOLUTION No. 670 ACROSS: 1. Backs up; 5. Classic; 9. Rangers; 10. Debarre; 11. Looseners; 12. Twist; 13. Years; 15. Gascoigne; 17. Ron Harris; 19. Spots; 22. Slide; 23. Slaughter; 25. Toe poke; 26. Netball; 27. Ejected; 28. Dryness. DOWN: 1. Burnley; 2. Cantona; 3. and 8. Steve Chettle; 4. Passenger; 5. Codes; 6. Ambitious; 7. Sacking; 14. Scapogato; 16. Sustained; 17. Rosette; 18. Nerve; 20. Outpace; 21. Surplus; 23. Speed; 24. Get by.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Happy birthday Grandad, Tommy Power, for the 5th. Love from Angel and Charlie.

Happy 14th birthday Clare. Enjoy the game. Love from Mum, Dad and Andy.

Happy birthday to Tony Shean for the 4th. Love from Mum, Toni, Nan, Paul, Ann and Sinead.

Happy birthday to Ken Ward (8th) and Jean Ward (12th) and happy 38th wedding anniversary for the 7th. Best wishes from the Colchester Von Trapps.

Happy 21st birthday to Elaine for the 4th. Love from Vic.

Happy 10th birthday to Alex James Lilley. Hope you enjoy the game. Love from Dad.

Ho, ho, the big three o! Clair Carpenter - enjoy the game in the North Bank - from the Howell clan.

Happy 10th birthday to Daniel Summers and hope you enjoy the match. Love from Mum and Dad.

Martin Brimson - happy 8th birthday - enjoy the match. Love from Mummy, Daddy and Andrew.

Happy birthday to John Holder. Love from Mum.

Happy birthday to David Cooper for the 13th and hope you enjoy your first visit to Highbury today. Love from Mum and Dad.

Happy 34th birthday to Kevin Poole. Love from Claire and Jake.

Happy 11th birthday to Michael Robinson. Love from Mum, Dad and Jack.

Ian Finch - happy 10th birthday. Love from Mum, Dad, Debra and Russell.

BELATED BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO -

Paul Phillips who celebrated his 60th birthday recently. Best wishes from son Russell.

David L Pincus - love and best wishes for your 24th birthday on March 30 from Nan, Grandpa and all the family.

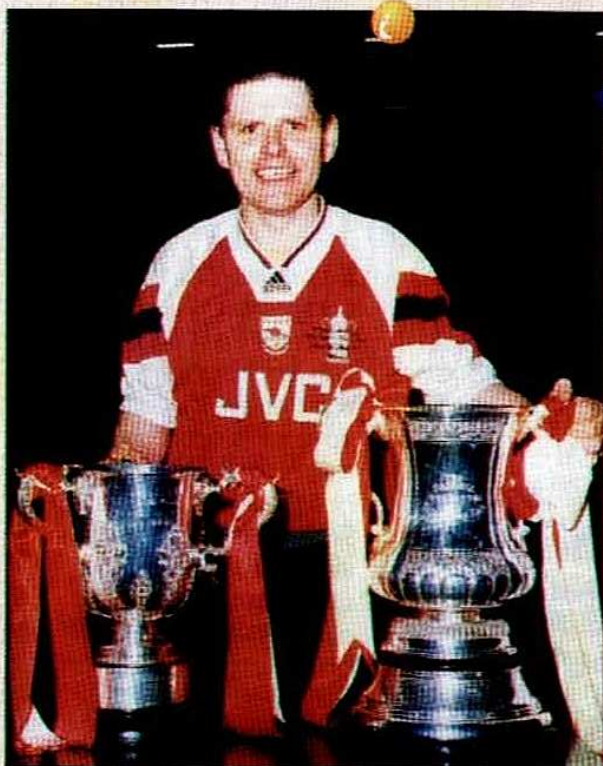
Darren McNally who was 15 on March 26. Love from Mum, Dad and Ciaran.

Belated birthday wishes to Simon Rowley who was 10 on March 31. Love from Mum, Dad, Kathryn and Stephen.

Belated greetings to Peter Moody. Love from Paula, Laura and Paul.

Board NOTICE

Send your birthdays, messages and requests at least **TWO weeks in advance**, to:
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THANKS

On behalf of myself and the club chairman and members of the Dublin Arsenal Supporters Club who came over for the game against Blackburn Rovers, we would like to thank the Arsenal staff who made our weekend so enjoyable. It is greatly appreciated - P J Gannon (pictured, with cups)

WELCOME

A big welcome to Shoaib Ahmed who is making his first visit to Highbury today. We hope you enjoy the match.
Welcome to Dennis E Carney who is making his first visit today for 20 years. Hope you enjoy the match Grandad. Love from Sam.

Welcome to Daniel and Matthew Kirwan who are here today to watch their first big match.

Welcome to Victoria Bate who will be visiting Highbury today for the first time. Love from Mum, Dad and Jordan.

Welcome to Jack Rolfe who is here today with his son and grandsons. We hope you enjoy the match.

Welcome to Sabine, Peter, Markus, Martin, Dennis, Rainer and Werner, all from Weil am Rhein, Germany who are here today.

Welcome to Christopher Griggs, who is visiting Highbury for the first time. Enjoy the match. Love from Jo and Andy.

PEPSI JUNIOR GUNNERS AWARDS

ANGELA COLE

Angela was nominated by her sister Karen. Karen said in her letter: "My sister is 15 years old and studying for her GCSEs. But even though her exams up coming up she still gives up her evening to go to Chelmsford Swimming Pool. She goes every Sunday to help the elderly, mentally and physically disabled people to swim. This is why I think my sister should be nominated." And we think so too. Angela will collect her award from one of our players at our special awards presentation. Well done Angela.

WELCOME SWINDON

Welcome to our guests today, a party of juniors from Swindon Town who played football against the Junior Gunners this morning, had lunch with us and will watch the main match from the Junior Gunners Family Enclosure. We hope

PEPSI JUNIOR GUNNERS THE CHOICE OF A

that you have a great day with us.

mascot John Davies and our ballboys and ballgirls with their outfits.

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Our Lucky Seat today is:

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If you are sitting in the Lucky Seat, you have won a Pepsi T-shirt, cap and drinks container. To claim your prize you must be a Junior Gunner and hold this seat ticket. Send your ticket, name and T-shirt size (S, M, L) along with your current membership number to: Junior Gunners, Arsenal F. C., Highbury, London N5 1BU.

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Andrew Jarvis, our mascot against Manchester United, lines up with referee Vic Callow and his linesmen

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FACTFILE

My name is: John Davies

My age is: 16

I come from: Horsham in Sussex

My family is: mum Jacqueline, dad Derek and brothers Paul (13) and Mark (12)

I attend: Forest Community School

My favourite lesson is: English

My hobbies are: football, playing the piano and computers

My favourite player is: Lee Dixon

I'd like to tell you: I was disappointed that I did not get into a local junior team this season but being Arsenal's mascot makes up for it!

PEPSI JUNIOR GUNNERS NEW GENERATION

BALLBOYS AND BALLGIRLS

Our squad today is:
Andrew Saint, Mitchell Panayis, Graeme Collins, Darren Collins, Spencer Smeeth, Steve Fortune, James Hannam, Peter Carter, Andrew Dyer, Lloyd Major, Joe Garraway and Marcus Rose
Thanks for being on the ball!!

SWINDON TOWN MASCOT



William May

The mascot for Swindon Town today is William May from Melksham. He goes to Alderic School and his hobbies are football and swimming. William's other favourite team is Arsenal and he lists his favourite players as Paul Merson, David Seaman, Nicky Summerbee and Keith Scott.

JUNIOR GUNNERS HOME AND AWAY

Away:
We will be taking a coach

to our away game with Aston Villa on April 23. If you are a Junior Gunner or Cannon Club member and would like to come along, please telephone 071 359 0205 on Tuesday, April 5 between 5pm and 6pm ONLY.
Please remember your place is not confirmed until we receive your payment - so once you book yourself on, send (or bring) your payment to us immediately - thank you.
Home:

Wimbledon will be bringing a party of juniors to visit us next Saturday (April 9). If you would like to represent Junior Gunners and play football against the Dons, ring us on Wednesday, April 6 between 5pm and 6pm ONLY and book yourself

JUNIOR GUNNERS

Memo Pad

Philip Vondercrone - welcome to Highbury. Philip has travelled from Switzerland today with his Grandad. We hope you enjoy your visit.

Scott Meredith - Welcome to Highbury for your first visit and we hope you enjoy the match.

Steven Neal - Hope you enjoy your first visit to Highbury. Love from Mum and Dad.

Christopher Duncan - Happy 9th birthday. Love from Mum and Dad

on (Junior Gunners only). We can only take 25 players, so make sure you get dialling fast!

SPECIAL GUESTS

Welcome to two very special guests today - Matthew Besent from Gloucestershire and Mervyn Forde from Hackney.



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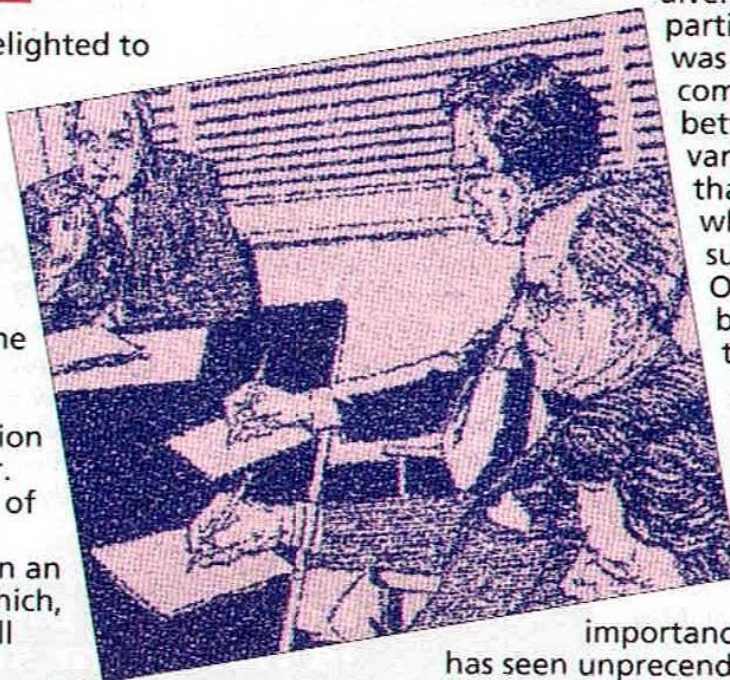
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PREMIER LEAGUE SUPPORTERS PANEL

ARSENAL is delighted to welcome members of our Supporters Panel to today's game. The panel is meeting for the second time this season, following a successful session last November. Arsenal is one of five clubs participating in an experiment which, it is hoped, will lead to every Premier League club having a Supporters Panel by next season.



The sessions have provided a forum for open-ended discussions concerning key issues affecting football and football supporters. The intention is to provide a direct line of communication between fans, clubs and the League administrators. Subjects to be discussed today include the national team, stewarding, ticketing policies and communications between clubs and supporters. Whatever happens, it should be a lively debate.

Many of the issues and views arising from the first round of meetings in November have been presented to the Premier League, chairmen and club secretaries and several initiatives have been taken as a result.

It is significant that despite the broad diversity of clubs participating, there was a great deal of common ground between all the various panels - and that those issues which most concern supporters of Oldham, are also of burning importance to our fans.

The Supporters Panels and other forms of communication with football supporters at large are of key importance in an era which has seen unprecedented change in the way in which the whole sport is presented. Arsenal is very glad to be in the vanguard, supporting such initiatives.

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**Rev. John Ashplant from
Hall Green, Birmingham,
remembers a September
night in 1935**

IT WAS September, 1935 and I was fourteen. I had been an Arsenal fan since the infamous 'over the line' Cup final of 1932, when we lost 1-2 to Newcastle United. All the men on my father's farm at Bideford in North Devon were more than a little pleased that



George Male (left)

Arsenal had lost (it was ever thus), and for that reason alone I decided that the Gunners would be my team for life. My mother used to take in 'paying guests' as she called them, among them an elderly couple from Cranleigh in Surrey. They must have taken a shine to me because they invited me to go and stay with them for a fortnight, and this I did. Soon after I'd arrived the question was asked: "Is there anything special you would like to do?" Well yes, there was - would it be possible to go to Highbury and see Arsenal play? Of course it would! The arrival at Highbury was an experience I shall always remember. When we had climbed the steps to the main stand, I caught my first

glimpse of the pitch. I couldn't believe my eyes...it looked just like a billiard table, green and lush and meticulously marked out - I had seen nothing like it in North Devon. I couldn't begin to tell you how excited I was.

And the game itself? It was against Grimsby Town who had beaten us the week before, 0-1. But not this time! It was 6-0, even with the great Tweedy in goal. The great Arsenal side of that era was at its best, even though Joe Hulme, Cliff Bastin and Alex James were absent through injury. Hulme's replacement on the right wing, Jimmy Milne, played havoc with the Grimsby defence, and the great Ted Drake was well served. Ted scored a magnificent goal that evening, the like of which I'd never seen before - twice he headed the ball forward as he bore down on goal; as it came down from the second header, he volleyed it with tremendous force into the net. And I recall George Male heading the ball from his own penalty area to the halfway line. We couldn't kick it that far in North Devon! It was sheer magic, and this boy of 14 thought he was in heaven.

Three years later, I started my own football club in my home town - The Bideford Marsh Rangers. In my naivety (or cheek), I wrote to George Allison, asking if the Arsenal had any old shirts for which they had no further use, which we could have. He wrote back to say that the club used all the kit they had, but that he had pleasure in enclosing a cheque to help us buy some new shirts. Could I be anything other than an Arsenal supporter after such a thoughtful and generous gesture?

What are your greatest Arsenal memories? Which Gunners match do you remember most vividly? Which players stick in your memory? Write and let us know your Arsenal 'magic moments' (up to 500 words) and your memories could fill this page!



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BATS GETS IT RIGHT

Paris St-Germain's 'spy', former France goalkeeper Joel Bats, was spot-on about the Gunners.

"We'll have to be very careful at corners and free kicks, because Arsenal are so dangerous at these set pieces," he'd warned. Enter Ian Wright, to head the Gunners in front.

"I think getting left out for the away leg against Torino really fired me up for this," said Ian, who netted his fourth goal in five Euro appearances.

IT'S NOT OVER YET, SAYS GINOLA

Bats also suggested the Gunners would impose the sort of pressure that PS-G don't face in their own league - a point emphasised by David Ginola, who headed St Germain's equaliser. Said the French 'Footballer of the Year': "What most impressed us was Arsenal's resilience, their physical condition, and their attitude. They played very well, and they're very disciplined in defence."

But Ginola warns that the tie is far from over. "We can still reach the final, because we're a better team when we play away," he says: "We beat Real 1-0 in Madrid in the quarter-final and going to Highbury will hold no fear for us. We will give Arsenal the respect they deserve - but we will attack them."

PS-G SEEK PACE AND AGGRESSION

PS-G coach Artur Jorge, who's at loggerheads with the French media, didn't attend the press conference. But

his assistant Denis Troch commented: "We knew Arsenal would play a fast game, but it was even faster than we expected. We have the technique and the gifted individuals, but we will have to match Arsenal's pace and aggression in London."

BIRTHDAY BOY BOOSTS BENFICA

In the other semi-final, Benfica finished with a 2-1 lead against holders Parma in the Estadio da Luz - thanks to birthday boy Rui Costa.

Rui Costa, who was 22 on Tuesday, slid a pass through the Parma defence for Benfica to grab a seventh minute lead. Arsenal fans will remember the scorer...Isaias! Parma's topscorer Gianfranco Zola levelled, before Rui Costa hit the winner on the hour. Bad news for Lisbon's Eagles was the loss of experienced skipper Veloso with a knee injury.



DIFFERENT CUPS ON DIFFERENT NIGHTS?

Suddenly Cup Winners' Cup and UEFA Cup ties are being switched to Tuesday and Thursday nights, so the Champions League can have TV all to itself on Wednesdays. That may not be the end of it. One suggestion mooted for next season is to play all Cup Winners' Cup ties on Tuesday, Champions League on Wednesday and UEFA Cup games on Thursday, so TV can have its pick of all three competitions.

GUNNERS

March 26

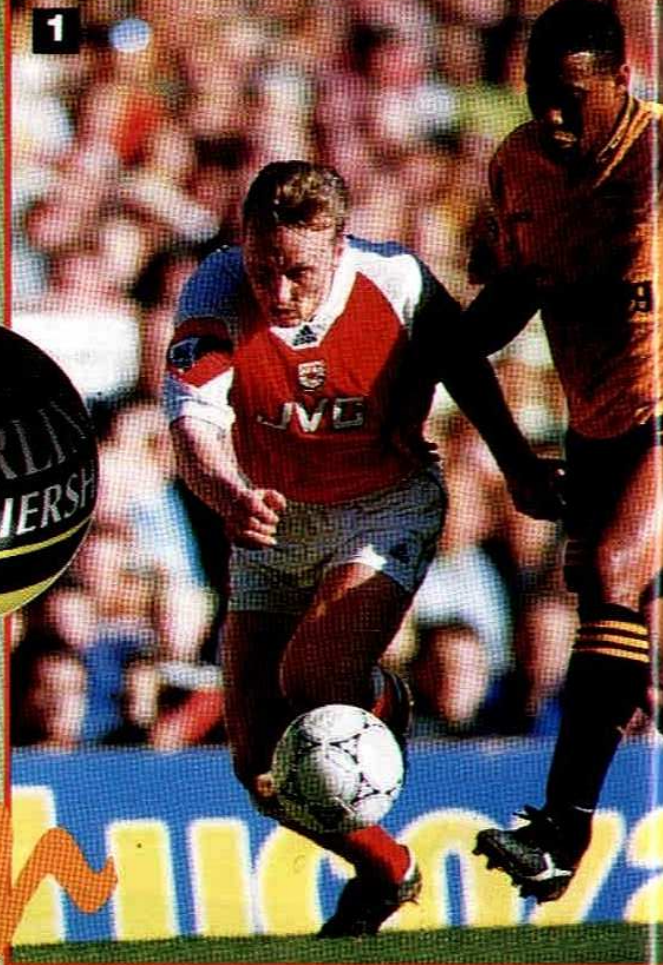
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ARSENAL 1

LIVERPOOL 0

Photos by Colorsport

- 1 Lee Dixon evades John Barnes's challenge
- 2 Ian Wright bursts through the Liverpool defence



Action



NO TIME TO EASE UP,

ALAN SMITH'S last game was the Cup Winners' Cup semi-final. He expects today's clash with Swindon to be just as intense - and knows there'll be more to come at Sheffield United on Monday.

While Paris St-Germain are strolling away with the French League, the Gunners will play two games in 48 hours against teams scrapping for points to avoid relegation - then face Wimbledon next Saturday.

by KEVIN CONNOLLY

There couldn't be a starker contrast in the build-up to the big night on April 12.

Says Alan: "I think games do get harder at this stage of the season, when you're meeting sides who are either going for the league or battling to avoid the drop.

"You couldn't have asked for anything more exciting than our 2-2 draw against Manchester United. A lot of fans have told me that was a great game to watch. It was real end-to-end stuff with plenty of incident and goalmouth action.

"It was a contest all the way, and that's what we expect against Swindon and Sheffield United.

"It's very tight at the bottom. Any three of seven or eight clubs could go down. So for those teams, every game now will be like a cup final."

Meanwhile, the Blades' amazing recovery to beat West Ham 3-2 last Monday has stoked up the pressure on the other strugglers.

It would be tempting for the Gunners to ease up and concentrate on April 12 - especially now Aston Villa's Coca Cola Cup final triumph over Manchester United seems to have closed off third place as an extra avenue into Europe.

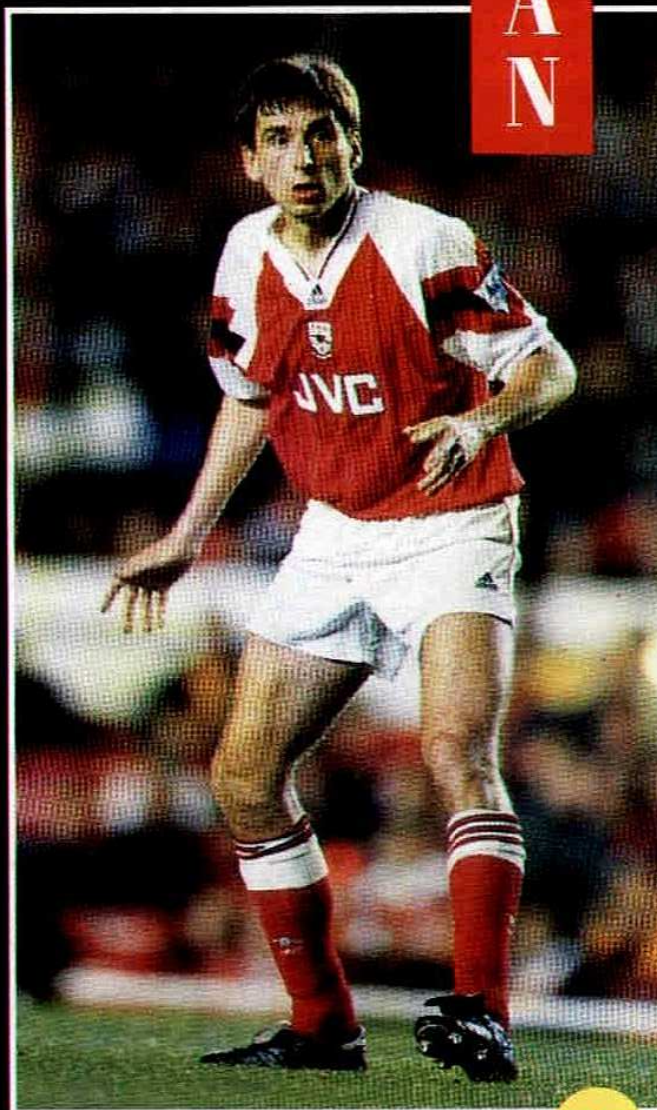
But Smith promises Arsenal will be going all out to win - just like they did at Ipswich and Southampton, after big European nights. And with George Graham switching the squad around, only quality

performances will guarantee a place in the starting line-up on the great occasion against PS-G.

"These are important games for us," says Alan: "We want to win them and finish as high as we can. I remember our final Saturday home match of last season. We beat Crystal Palace 3-0 and that meant they went down. That was sad for Palace - but we didn't ease off, even with the F.A. Cup final only a week away. We approached that game in the right frame of mind and that's how we have to approach these matches coming up."

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PARIS ST-GERMAIN SET FRENCH RECORD

by KEIR RADNEDGE

PARIS Saint-Germain have shown no sign of wilting under the pressure of pursuit from scandal-hit Marseille as they extended their unbeaten run to a record 26 league games.

Not that they've received the credit their Portuguese coach Artur Jorge thinks they deserve.

"We've set a French national record. We're on the way to winning the championship - and we're still criticised," he said: "I'm fed up with it."

But Marseille's players deserve credit for maintaining their dogged pursuit of Paris - none more so than Anderson Da Silva, the Brazilian striker they borrowed from Swiss club Servette Geneva last autumn.

He has scored 11 goals in as many games since being signed on loan last November. The French league are not happy with the terms by which Marseille arranged to borrow Anderson but none of Marseille's rivals have instituted a formal complaint and Servette have refused to provide documentation on the deal.

Monaco, who took Marseille's place in the European Champions League, languish in mid-table. Midfielder Youri Djorkaeff, son of one of France's 1966 World Cup players, is the league's top scorer with 17 goals. But he is the first to acknowledge the debt he owes to the German World Cup striker, Jurgen Klinsmann.

Unfortunately for Monaco, Klinsmann has said that he intends to leave the Monte

Carlo club at the end of the season. Klinsmann, who began with Stuttgart in Germany, then played in Italy with Internazionale of Milan before



Gianluca Vialli

joining Monaco in 1992, is the club's second-top scorer this season with eight goals.

Even Klinsmann's talents proved insufficient, however, when Monaco met Marseille in the third round of the French cup. The teams drew 0-0 after extra time so the tie was decided on penalties. Marseille goalkeeper Fabien Barthez was the hero.

He saved Monaco's first kick, taken by Belgian schemer Enzo Scifo, and Marseille won the shoot-out 4-3.

Off the field, Bordeaux president Claude Bez was given a suspended two-year jail sentence and a £200,000 fine after being found guilty of fraud in the building of the club's training centre.

GERMANY

BAYERN Munich are back at the head of the Bundesliga.

After an inconsistent first half of the season, Bayern installed Franz Beckenbauer as coach and a fine 2-1 win away to one of their closest pursuers, Hamburg, saw them edge four points clear at the top.

Beckenbauer, who had been Bayern's executive vice-president, took over as coach in early January from Erich Ribbeck. He insists that, even if Bayern win the league, he will step down at the end of the season. But it says everything about Beckenbauer's magic touch that he has inspired a Bayern revival. Revelation of the new year has been midfielder Christian Nerlinger while the unsettled Colombian, Adolfo Valencia, has figured in the first team squad once more and scored the winner against Hamburg. Champions Werder Bremen slipped out of domestic contention when they lost 0-1 at home to struggling Schalke. Second-placed Eintracht Frankfurt revived their title hopes when they won 4-0 away to Dynamo Dresden. But that was only minor consolation for Frankfurt's elimination, a few days earlier, from the UEFA Cup. Frankfurt lost on penalties to the unrated minnows of Salzburg from Austria.

Meanwhile, the German federation has been assailed with a string of problems from the former east Germany. In the 1970s East Germany was one of Europe's respected football states. Magdeburg had won the European Cup Winners' Cup and the East German national team reached the second phase of the World Cup finals that same year, in 1974.

Players such as centre forward Joachim Streich, midfielder Jurgen Sparwasser and defenders Bernd Brand and Hans-Jurgen Dorner counted

TOP SIX - FRANCE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Paris St-Germain	31	19	10	2	42	15	48
Marseille	31	16	10	5	45	26	42
Auxerre	31	15	8	8	42	20	38
Nantes	31	13	11	7	36	21	37
Bordeaux	31	15	7	9	38	25	37
Montpellier	31	12	11	8	32	28	35

among the world's finest.

But when the Berlin Wall collapsed and the old West Germany swallowed up the East, so East German football collapsed. All the best - and even second - and third-best players -

prepared to release Papin is a surprise. Milan are eight points clear at the top of the league, a success to which Papin has contributed five typically opportunist goals in 13 games. Also, Milan's Dutch centre forward Marco van Basten, will not be fit to play until later this year - if then - and Papin should be the obvious deputy. Instead, the Frenchman has been kept out of the team by the fine form of the former Yugoslav international Dejan Savicevic. And, since Savicevic is well known as a particular favourite of club president Silvio Berlusconi, Papin's desire to go home to France becomes more understandable.

Papin says: "I am fit, I feel I am in great form and I desperately want to play. But I haven't been involved with the team for almost three months. I believe I have three or four years of football left in me and I'm clearly not going to get that here. I want to go home." Marseille, Paris Saint-Germain, Monaco and Bordeaux have all been linked with Papin - who was merely filling a seat in the stand in the Stadio Meazza when Milan maintained their league leadership by defeating neighbours and rivals Internazionale 2-1 last month. Substitute Daniele Massaro scored the winner in the closing minutes; Inter's goal was scored by an old World Cup favourite from Italia '90 in Salvatore 'Toto' Schillaci. Defeat just hastened the inevitable clear-out at Inter. President Ernesto Pellegrini has contracted Ottavio Bianchi from Napoli as coach for next season and intends selling off former Italy heroes such as goalkeeper Walter Zenga,

defenders Giuseppe Bergomi and Riccardo Ferri and striker Schillaci. Schillaci, six-goal top scorer at the 1990 World Cup finals, has agreed terms with Jubilo Iwata of the J. League in Japan. Sampdoria have settled for second place in the league but may yet collect the Italian cup as consolation. Sampdoria defeated Parma in the semi-finals and will be runaway favourites when they face Ancona from Serie B in the two-leg final. Sampdoria expect to be at full strength. England skipper David Platt will play for them against Ancona on April 20 rather than for his country in the prestige friendly against Germany in Berlin. Meanwhile, Juventus received a boost when Gianluca Vialli came on as a second half substitute in their 1-0 win over Cagliari. Vialli had been out for three months following surgery on a foot.

TOP SIX - GERMANY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bayern Munich	27	13	9	5	57	29	35
Eintracht Frankfurt	27	13	7	7	46	30	33
Karlsruhe	27	11	9	7	37	28	31
Hamburg	27	13	5	9	43	38	31
Kaiserlautern	27	12	6	9	44	33	30
Leverkusen	27	11	8	8	48	38	30

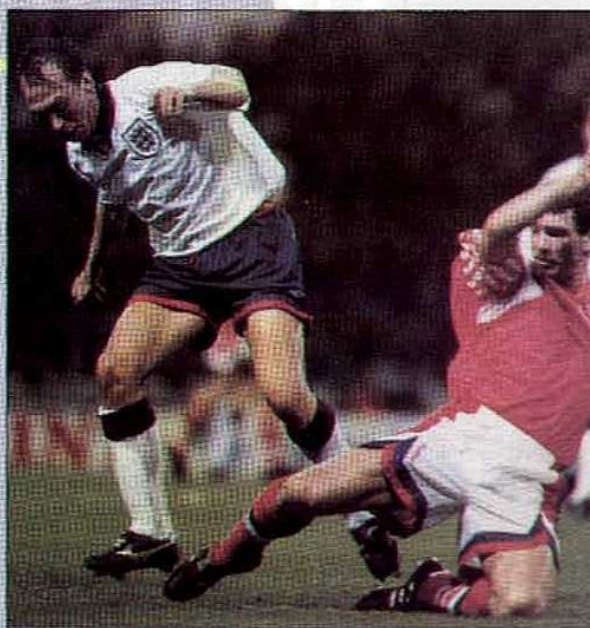
moved west and those eastern German clubs which came into the Bundesliga struggled for survival both on the pitch and in financial terms.

Two former East German clubs are in the top flight now - Leipzig will be relegated at the season's end and Dresden risk going with them if a points penalty for financial mismanagement is implemented.

To the added dismay of the German federation, hooliganism is proving a serious problem in the east, just when it appears to be on the wane in the west. An eastern German third division regional match between Sachsen Leipzig and FSV Zwickau had to be halted for 10 minutes after Sachsen fans knocked unconscious Zwickau's Jens Leonhardt. The incident occurred just as Leonhardt was preparing to take a throw-in.

ITALY

ITALIAN clubs are not afraid to pay world record transfer fees for top foreign players. But nor do they waste time and money once they've decided that the star in question is not adjusting to the Italian game. That is the situation with France's Jean-Pierre Papin and Paul Gascoigne. The fact that Milan are



David Platt

TOP SIX - ITALY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Milan	28	18	8	2	31	10	44
Sampdoria	28	17	4	7	56	32	38
Juventus	28	13	11	4	46	24	37
Parma	27	16	5	6	46	23	37
Lazio	28	13	9	6	40	29	35
Torino	28	10	10	8	35	28	30



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THE RIGHT MOMENT FOR RAY

RAY PARLOUR has been on the first team scene for two years. He's played in the F.A.Cup final and the Coca Cola final. But the 21 year old midfielder has yet to establish himself as a first team regular - and he wants to put that right as soon as he can.

Ray has been in and out of the side lately as George Graham has switched the squad around. He's been a regular in the Premiership since Christmas, but he's yet to start a match in Europe.

Parlour's Premiership run began with an impressive display wide on the right of midfield when we won 4-0 at Swindon on December 27. That was an experiment which has paid handsome dividends.

It's a role Ray enjoys - charging up and down the flank, firing over crosses - and covering for Lee Dixon when the England right back surges forward. He's also scored valuable goals, in wins at Wimbledon and Ipswich.

"I've got to bide my time because I'm still a youngster. I'm still improving," he says: "I've usually played in the centre of midfield, but it's been good experience playing out wide. It's added a new dimension to my game. And if I can play in two positions then obviously I stand a better chance of getting into the team."

by KEVIN CONNOLLY

"Starting wide gives me the chance to do things I enjoy - getting forward and running at defenders. I need to improve my crossing. If I can do that, then I'll

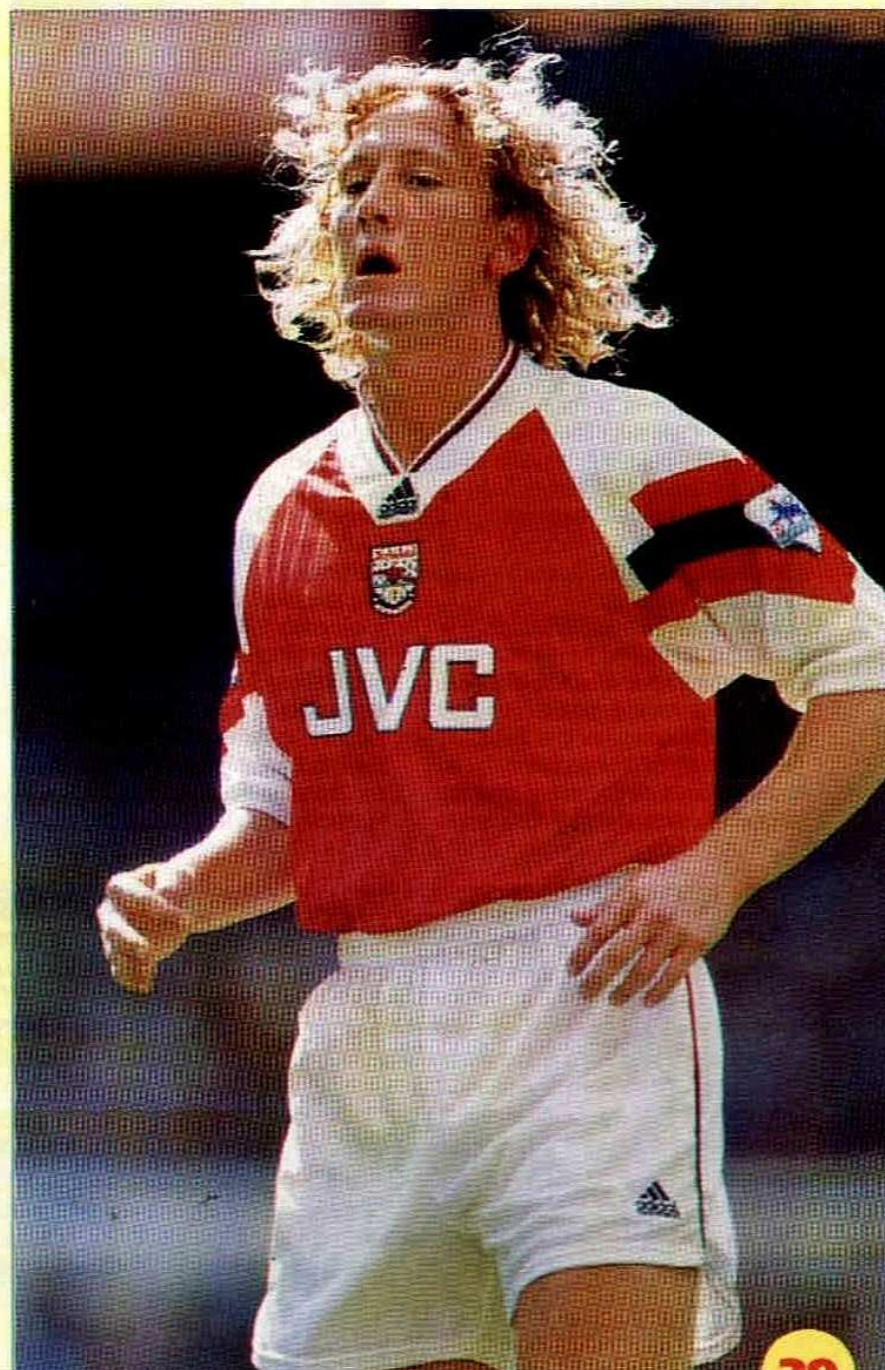
feel happy about playing that position."

Meanwhile, turning out for England u-21s has given Ray's confidence another lift.

"It's been great experience and I've gained a lot from it," says Parlour, who shone in England's 1-0 win over Denmark last month.

"Dave Sexton is the manager. Ray Wilkins does the coaching. And they've created a very happy set-up

"I really enjoyed playing against the Danes. I thought it was a good team performance - and if we'd scored earlier I'm sure we would have won more comfortably."



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SWINDON TOWN have been given a pretty rough introduction to Premiership football this season but, though they have remained at the foot of the table for pretty well the entire campaign, John Gorman's battlers have refused to give up hope.

The Robins have won a lot of friends with their own brand of entertaining football, even though it has not always brought them results. Unlike any other club before them, Swindon had to win promotion **TWICE** before they were permitted entry into the top division!

Justice was seen to have been done when Paul Bodin converted the late Wembley penalty that gave them victory over Leicester in the final of last season's promotion play-offs. It took the club into the F.A. Carling Premiership, a prize that every Swindon fan felt should have been theirs three years earlier.

Following another famous Wembley victory, over Sunderland, in 1990, Swindon fans had travelled home in celebratory mood in the belief that the club had made it to the old First Division for the first time in their history.

It was later decided that, due to alleged financial irregularities,

Swindon would not be promoted. Sunderland went up in their place.

Two key figures in Swindon's successful side last season left



Nicky Summerbee

during the summer. The void created in midfield by the departure of former player/manager Glenn Hoddle - now with Chelsea - was the most difficult to fill. Swindon have also missed the dominance of Colin Calderwood at the heart of their defence.

Manager John Gorman, who took over from Hoddle during the summer, appreciated that the task facing his side would be enormous.

He strengthened his squad by paying Rapid Vienna £500,000 for Norwegian striker Jan Aage Fjortoft, then increased the

foreign influence with the £175,000 acquisition from Motherwell of Holland u-21 midfielder man Luc Nijholt. Defender Adrian Whitbread was signed from Leyton Orient for £500,000.

Since the start of the season, Mr Gorman has signed three new strikers - Andy Mutch from Wolves, Keith Scott from Wycombe Wanderers and Frank McAvennie, on loan from Celtic - midfielder Lawrie Sanchez (from Wimbledon) plus defenders Terry Fenwick (Tottenham) and Brian Kildine (Newcastle).

FRASER DIGBY (Goalkeeper)

Fraser developed in the junior teams at Manchester United but it was only after he had moved on to Swindon that he got his League chance in 1986. Within a short while he was in the England u-21 team. He collected five caps at that level. Last season when he was temporarily out of the Swindon side, he returned to Old Trafford on loan as cover.

NICKY HAMMOND (Goalkeeper)

Nicky served his apprenticeship with the Gunners here but did not get into our League side. He did play a few League games while on loan to Bristol Rovers before joining Swindon in 1987. Nicky played his 50th League game for the club when Digby was injured a few weeks ago.

ADRIAN WHITBREAD (Defender)

Adrian, who arrived from Leyton Orient last summer, joined

FORM GUIDE - SWINDON TOWN'S RECENT RESULTS

Date	Comp	Opponents	Venue	Res	Scorers	Attendance
January 15	Prem	Everton	(a)	2-6	Moncur, Bodin	20,546
January 18	FAC	Ipswich Town	(a)	1-2	Fjortoft	12,796
January 23	Prem	Tottenham Hotspur	(h)	2-1	Fjortoft, Whitbread	16,563
February 5	Prem	Coventry City	(h)	3-1	Fjortoft 3 (2 pens)	14,640
February 12	Prem	Aston Villa	(a)	0-5		27,637
February 19	Prem	Norwich City	(h)	3-3	Taylor, Fjortoft 2	15,405
February 26	Prem	Manchester City	(a)	1-2	Fjortoft	26,360
March 5	Prem	West Ham United	(h)	1-1	Fjortoft	14,924
March 12	Prem	Newcastle United	(a)	1-7	Moncur	32,216
March 19	Prem	Manchester United	(h)	2-2	Nijholt, Fjortoft	18,102
March 26	Prem	Blackburn Rovers	(a)	1-3	Fjortoft	20,046

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Orient as a trainee and, after won a place in their League team in 1989. He was a regular member of the side for his last three campaigns at Brisbane Road.

SHAUN TAYLOR (Defender)

Shaun was playing for non-League Bideford when Exeter signed him and he quickly made his mark in League soccer following his debut in 1986. He remained a fixture in the Exeter side until his £200,000 transfer to Swindon in 1991. Very adept at moving up for dead ball situations, Shaun scored 13 goals last season.



Kevin Horlock

BRIAN KILCLINE (Defender)

Brian joined Swindon from Newcastle in January. He was introduced to the professional game by Notts County, moving on to Coventry in 1984. Brian,

who won two England u-21 caps, was a member of the Sky Blues' F.A. Cup winning side of 1987. Oldham signed him for £400,000 in the summer of 1991 and he moved on to Newcastle the following March. **KEVIN HORLOCK (Defender)** Kevin remained in the reserves at West Ham but, after joining Swindon in August 1992, he was drafted into their League team last season.

TERRY FENWICK (Defender/midfield)

The versatile Terry joined Swindon after being released by Spurs in September. He started his career with Crystal Palace, moving to Queens Park Rangers for £100,000 in 1980. He quickly graduated to the England u-21 side then, in 1984, he made his debut in the senior team. He went on to win 20 full caps. Spurs signed him for £650,000 in 1987 when he was recalled to the England side. Three seasons ago he spent a short loan period with Leicester.

NICKY SUMMERBEE (Full back/Midfield)

Nicky completed his training at the County Ground, making his League debut in 1989. He earned a regular place last season when he was included in the England u-21 squad for the summer tournament in Toulon. He won three caps. Nicky is the son of former Manchester City and England favourite Mike Summerbee.

SWINDON TOWN SQUAD NUMBERS

- 1FRASER DIGBY
- 2NICKY SUMMERBEE
- 3PAUL BODIN
- 5LUC NIJHOLT
- 6SHAUN TAYLOR
- 7JOHN MONCUR
- 8ROSS MACLAREN
- 9JAN AAGE FJORTOFT
- 10MARTIN LING
- 12STEVE WHITE
- 14ADRIAN WHITBREAD
- 15ADRIAN VIVEASH
- 16KEVIN HORLOCK
- 17CHRIS HAMON
- 18EDWIN MURRAY
- 19ANDREW THOMSON
- 20WAYNE O'SULLIVAN
- 21MARCUS PHILLIPS
- 22AUSTIN BERKLEY
- 23NICKY HAMMOND
- 24LEE MIDDLETON
- 25ANDY MUTCH
- 26TERRY FENWICK
- 27KEITH SCOTT
- 28TY GOODEN
- 29SHANE COOK
- 31BRIAN KILCLINE
- 32FRANK McAVENNIE
- 33LAWRIE SANCHEZ
- 34PAUL HEALD

JOHN MONCUR (Midfield)

John served his apprenticeship with Tottenham, making his League debut in 1987 but he generally found himself crowded out by the big names at White Hart Lane. He played League

10-YEAR REVIEW

Season	Div.	P	For	Ag.	Pts.	Posn.	Rounds reached in Cups		Av. Att.
							FAC	LC	
1983/84	4	46	58	56	58	17th	4	1	3,344
1984/85	4	46	62	58	72	8th	1	1	3,020
1985/86	4	46	82	43	102	1st	1	4	6,631
1986/87	3	46	77	47	87	3rd*	4	2	7,708
1987/88	2	44	73	60	59	12th	4	3	9,541
1988/89	2	46	63	53	76	6th	4	2	8,687
1989/90	2	46	79	59	74	4th	3	4	8,394
1990/91	2	46	65	73	50	21st	4	3	9,805
1991/92	2	46	69	55	69	8th	5	4	10,009
1992/93	1	46	74	59	76	5th*	3	3	10,715

* won play-offs

PAST MATCHES BETWEEN ARSENAL AND SWINDON TOWN

(Arsenal's score shown first)

Premiership			Arsenal won 1-0 at Highbury after 0-0 draw at Swindon	Swindon won 3-1 after extra time, at Wembley
1993/94	H	A		
	-	4-0		
F.A. Cup			Arsenal won 2-0 at Swindon	1979/80 quarter-final: Swindon won 4-3 at Swindon after extra time, following a 1-1 draw at Highbury
1911 second round:				
Swindon won 1-0 at Swindon				
1929 fifth round:			League Cup	
			1968/9 final:	

soccer during loan periods with Cambridge, Doncaster, Portsmouth, Brentford and Ipswich, then moved to Swindon two seasons ago.

LAWRIE SANCHEZ (Midfield)
Lawrie, who was signed from Wimbledon shortly before last month's transfer deadline, will always be remembered for scoring Wimbledon's winning goal against Liverpool in the 1988 F.A. Cup final. A Northern Ireland international, he made his League debut with Reading in 1977, moving on to Wimbledon in 1984.

LUC NIJHOLT (Midfield)
Luc began his career in his native Holland with Haarlem, then served AZ 67 Alkmaar and Utrecht before joining the Swiss club Basle. He was transferred to Motherwell in 1990 and spent

three seasons in the Scottish League with them. He was a member of the Motherwell side that defeated Dundee United in the Scottish Cup final in 1991. Swindon signed him last summer.

PAUL BODIN (Full back/Midfield)
Paul, who has been capped by Wales on 20 occasions, is now in his second spell with Swindon. He did not get into the League teams with either of his first two clubs - Chelsea or Newport - but earned his opportunity after joining Cardiff in 1982. After three campaigns at Ninian Park, he went non-League with Bath City until Newport gave him a League come-back chance in 1987. He initially joined Swindon in March of the following year. Paul was transferred to Crystal Palace for £350,000 in 1991 then, after a loan spell at Newcastle, he

returned to Swindon in 1992.

MARTIN LING (Midfield)

Martin served his apprenticeship with Exeter and made more than 100 appearances in their League eleven before initially joining Swindon in 1986. But his first stay at the County Ground was very brief and he was soon turning out for Southend. He spent a short loan period with Mansfield before re-uniting with Swindon, initially on loan, in 1991.

JAN AAGE FJORTOFT (Forward)

Jan has been in scintillating form in recent weeks. The Norwegian striker, signed from the Austrian club Rapid Vienna last summer, took several months to settle but he scored eleven times in a recent ten match spell, including a hat trick against Coventry in February.

ANDY MUTCH (Forward)

A £250,000 signing from Wolves soon after the start of the season, Andy has scored six Premiership goals for his new club. For several years he formed a prodigious scoring partnership with Steve Bull at Molineux. Andy scored 23 goals in 1987/88 and the same number the following season but, each time, he came second to Bull. Wolves had spotted him in non-League football with Southport and he got his chance in their League eleven in 1986.



Back Row (left to right): Kevin Morris (Physio), Ross MacLaren, Steve Lane (no longer with the Club), Steve White, Adrian Whitbread, Jan Aage Fjortoft, Adrian Vizeash, Fraser Digby, Shaun Taylor, Nicky Hammond, Chris Hamon, Andrew Thomson, Paul Bodin, Kevin Horlock, Craig Maskell (no longer with the Club), Eddie Buckley (Kit Manager).

Front: Wayne O'Sullivan, Nicky Summerbee, John Moncur, Luc Nijholt, Micky Hazard (no longer with the Club), John Trollope (Youth Team Manager), John Gorman (Manager), David Hay (Asst Manager), Andy Rowland (Reserve Team Manager), Austin Berkley, Edwin Murray, Martin Ling, Marcus Phillips, Lee Middleton.

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THE MANAGER – JOHN GORMAN

SWINDON had a ready-made replacement when Glenn Hoddle left to take over as Chelsea's manager last summer. John Gorman had been his assistant for two years and was a key figure in preparing the side that won promotion to the Premier League in May.

Mr Gorman had first come into contact with Hoddle when, in his playing days, he was transferred from Carlisle to Tottenham for £60,000 in 1976. He spent two-and-a-half years at White Hart Lane before going to the U.S.A. to complete his playing days.

Mr Gorman appreciated that taking a club into the Premiership for the first time would not be easy. "For a start I was going to miss one of the best players in the game in Glenn," he conceded.

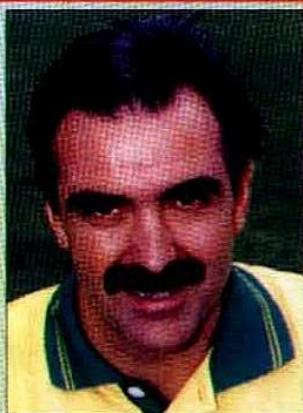
"He was playing some of the best football of his career and any club would have missed an international player of his quality. So I had to look around to find players of experience at this level whom I felt could steady the team.

"Though results have been disappointing, I have been pleased with some of the football we have played. If we had won all the points we deserved we would not be in such a difficult position.

"I think we are an entertaining team to watch. But we have made mistakes. We have given away too many late goals, losing valuable points through lack of concentration.

"This situation is not new to me, though. During my playing days I was in a similar situation with Carlisle. We won promotion to the old First Division for the first time in club history. After a good start, it was hard grind all the way. The difference in standards was far too big for us to handle.

"But I think that experience has helped me here at Swindon this season."



Mr Gorman started his professional career with Celtic, moving just over the border to join Carlisle in September 1970. He made his debut for the Cumbrians in December of that year and quickly established himself as left back.

Those were exciting times at Brunton Park. Carlisle were establishing themselves as a leading force in the Second Division and in 1974 they clinched promotion to the First Division for the first time in club history.

"The amazing thing is that we won our first three matches and went to the top of the First Division," recalls Mr Gorman: "We defeated Chelsea at Stamford Bridge and then beat Spurs, though I missed that game through injury."

Then the Carlisle bubble burst and, after finishing bottom, they found themselves back in Division Two.

Mr Gorman remained with the club until Spurs signed him in November 1976.

One of his early games was against the Gunners over Christmas at White Hart Lane. It ended 2-2. He quickly established himself at left back and enjoyed a good run until suffering an injury against Liverpool in March, 1977.

It proved more troublesome than at first anticipated and it kept him out for first team action for 16 months.

After leaving Tottenham in March 1979, Mr Gorman went to the U.S.A. to play for Tampa Bay Rowdies for four-and-a-half years. Next came a two year session with Phoenix in the indoor league.

He returned to England in 1985 as Gillingham's youth team coach. He later became the Gills' assistant-manager. He moved on to Leyton Orient where he was manager of the youth and reserve teams before linking up again with Mr Hoddle at Swindon in April 1991.

FRANK McAVENNIE (Forward)

Frank, signed on loan from Celtic in February, originally made his name in English football during his first spell at West Ham. The Hammers signed him from St Mirren in 1985 and he was their top scorer with 28 goals in his first season. That earned him a place in the Scotland team and he went on to win five caps. He left for Celtic in a £700,000 deal in 1987

but returned to Upton Park a couple of years later when West Ham paid £1,250,000 for him. He left the Hammers in 1992 then, following a trial with Aston Villa, he linked up with Celtic.

KEITH SCOTT (Forward)

Keith joined Swindon from League newcomers Wycombe Wanderers

for £300,000 in November. Keith once played 16 League games for Lincoln City before joining Wycombe in their non-League days. But he soon re-acclimatised when Wycombe won promotion to the Football League this season and he was their leading scorer with 14 goals when he left.

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FIRST STATISTICS TEAM

FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP

Date	Opponents	F-A Pos	Att	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	Limp	Keown	McGoldrick	Miller
Saturday August 14	Coventry City	0-3	26,397	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	Limp	Keown(73)	McGoldrick(67)	Miller
Monday August 16	Tottenham Hotspur	1-0	28,355	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	McGoldrick	Parlour	Selley	Smith	Miller
Saturday August 21	Sheffield Wednesday	1-0	26,023	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	McGoldrick	Parlour	Merson(78)	Selley	Miller
Tuesday August 24	Leeds United	*2-1	29,042	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Selley	Merson	Wright	Campbell	McGoldrick	Parlour	Selley	Hillier(H/T)	Miller
Saturday August 28	Everton	2-0	29,063	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Hillier	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	McGoldrick	Parlour	Merson(H/T)	Selley	Miller
Wednesday September 1	Blackburn Rovers	1-1	14,051	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Jensen	Linighan	Adams	Merson	Wright	Campbell	McGoldrick	Parlour	Selley	Lydersen	Miller
Saturday September 11	Ipswich Town	4-0	28,563	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Hillier(69)	Limp(80)	Miller
Sunday September 19	Manchester United	0-1	44,009	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Hillier	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Davis(79)	Smith(79)	Miller
Saturday September 25	Southampton	1-0	26,902	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Hillier(83)	Limp	Miller
Saturday October 2	Liverpool	0-0	42,750	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Smith	Parlour	Miller
Saturday October 16	Manchester City	0-0	29,567	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Heaney	Wright	Smith	Parlour	McGoldrick	Campbell(82)	Keown	Miller
Saturday October 23	Oldham Athletic	0-0	12,105	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Hillier	Wright	Smith	Merson	McGoldrick	Campbell(74)	Bould	Miller
Saturday October 30	Norwich City	0-0	30,516	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Merson	Limp	Keown(79)	Campbell(85)	Miller
Saturday November 6	Aston Villa	1-2	31,773	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Selley	Keown	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	Limp	Bould	McGoldrick	Miller
Saturday November 20	Chelsea	2-0	26,839	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Bould	Keown	Wright	Smith	Merson	Selley	Campbell	Morrow(77)	Miller
Wednesday November 24	West Ham United	0-0	20,279	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Keown	Linighan	Bould	Morrow	Wright	Smith	Merson	Limp	Campbell(H/T)	Davis	Miller(85)
Saturday November 27	Newcastle United	2-1	36,091	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Morrow	Keown	Bould	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Merson	McGoldrick	Campbell	Davis	Miller
Saturday December 4	Coventry City	0-1	12,722	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Keown	Adams	Selley	Wright	Smith	Merson	McGoldrick	Bould(75)	Campbell(75)	Miller
Monday December 6	Tottenham Hotspur	1-1	35,669	Seaman	Dixon	Keown	Selley	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Merson	Limp	Campbell(82)	Morrow	Miller
Sunday December 12	Sheffield Wednesday	1-0	22,026	Miller	Dixon	Morrow	Selley	Keown	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Merson	Limp	Campbell(79)	Bould(56)	Will
Saturday December 18	Leeds United	1-2	37,515	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Selley	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Campbell	Limp	Parlour(49)	Morrow(89)	Miller
Monday December 27	Swindon Town	4-0	17,651	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	McGoldrick	Merson(82)	Keown(82)	Miller
Wednesday December 29	Sheffield United	3-0	27,035	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	McGoldrick	Merson(79)	Keown(87)	Miller
Saturday January 1	Wimbledon	3-0	16,584	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	McGoldrick	Merson(85)	Keown(80)	Miller
Monday January 3	Queens Park Rangers	0-0	34,935	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	McGoldrick	Merson	Keown(71)	Miller
Saturday January 15	Manchester City	0-0	25,642	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	McGoldrick	Merson(12)	Keown(80)	Miller
Saturday January 22	Oldham Athletic	1-1	26,524	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	McGoldrick	Merson(65)	Keown(65)	Miller
Sunday February 13	Norwich City	1-1	17,667	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Campbell	Smith	Merson	Parlour	Keown	Selley	Miller
Saturday February 19	Everton	1-1	19,891	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Campbell	Smith	Merson	Parlour	Keown(76)	Hillier(88)	Miller
Saturday February 26	Blackburn Rovers	1-0	33,030	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Campbell	Smith	Merson	Parlour	Hillier	Linighan	Will
Saturday March 5	Ipswich Town	*5-1	18,656	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Selley	Bould	Adams	Parlour	Wright	Smith	Limp	Hillier	Merson(75)	Keown(88)	Miller
Saturday March 19	Southampton	4-0	16,790	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Keown	Linighan	Adams	Parlour	Wright	Smith	Campbell	Limp	Smith(81)	Morrow	Miller
Tuesday March 22	Manchester United	*2-2	36,203	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Merson	Selley	Keown	Campbell(69)	Miller
Saturday March 26	Liverpool	1-0	35,556	Seaman	Dixon	Keown	Parlour	Bould	Linighan	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	Selley	Morrow(66)	Smith(79)	Miller
Saturday April 2	Swindon Town	H															
Monday April 4	Sheffield United	A															
Saturday April 9	Wimbledon	A															
Saturday April 16	Chelsea	H															
Saturday April 23	Aston Villa	A															
Wednesday April 27	Queens Park Rangers	A															
Saturday April 30	West Ham United	H															
Saturday May 7	Newcastle United	A															

COMING GAMES AT HIGHBURY

Saturday, April 9
F.A. Carling Premiership
v WIMBLEDON
Kick-off 3pm

Tuesday, April 12
European Cup Winners' Cup
v PARIS ST-GERMAIN
Kick-off 7.30pm

PLEASE KEEP YOUR TICKET
STUB FROM THIS MATCH. YOU
MAY NEED TO PRODUCE IT
LATER IN THE SEASON IF WE
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WINNERS' CUP FINAL

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COCA COLA LEAGUE CUP

Date		Opponents		F-A	Att													
Tuesday	September 21	Huddersfield Town (2nd rnd/1st leg)	5-0	14,275	Seaman	Keown	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen†	Wright ³	Campbell ¹	Merson†	McGoldrick	Hillier(78)	Smith(78)	Miller
Tuesday	October 5	Huddersfield Town (2nd rnd/2nd leg)	1-1	18,789	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Linighan	Bould	Jensen†	Smith ¹	Campbell	Limpar	McGoldrick†	Selley(77)	Heaney(77)	Miller
Tuesday	October 26	Norwich City (3rd rnd)	1-1	24,539	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Linighan	Adams	Jensen†	Wright ¹	Smith	Merson†	McGoldrick†	Campbell(73)	Davis(82)	Miller
Wednesday	November 10	Norwich City (3rd rnd replay)	3-0	16,319	Seaman	Dixon	Keown	Selley	Linighan	Bould	Jensen	Wright ²	Smith	Merson ¹	Limpar	Campbell	Morrow	Miller
Tuesday	November 30	Aston Villa (4th rnd)	0-1	26,453	Seaman	Dixon†	Winterburn	Morrow	Keown	Bould	Jensen†	Wright	Smith	Merson	McGoldrick	Campbell(70)	Davis(70)	Miller

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP

Date	Opponents	F-A Att	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Hillier	Smith	Miller
Wednesday September 15	Odense (1st rnd/1st leg)	2-1	9,580	Seaman	Selley	Winterburn	Davis	Linighan	Keown	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Smith(86)	*
Wednesday September 29	Odense (1st rnd/2nd leg)	1-1	25,689	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Keown	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Smith(69)	*
Wednesday October 20	Standard Liege (2nd rnd/1st leg)	3-0	25,258	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Keown	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Campbell	Merson	McGoldrick	Campbell(82)	Linighan(82)
Wednesday November 3	Standard Liege (2nd rnd/2nd leg)	7-0	15,000	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Keown	Adams	Jensen	Selley	Smith	Merson	McGoldrick	McGoldrick(H/T)	Bould(81)
Wednesday March 2	Torino (OF 1st leg)	0-0	32,480	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Campbell	Smith	Merson	Hillier	Selley(78)	*
Tuesday March 15	Torino (OF 2nd leg)	1-0	34,678	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Merson	Hillier	Selley(16)	Keown(87)
Tuesday March 29	Paris St-Germain (SF 1st leg)	1-1	46,000	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Davis	Bould	Adams	Jensen	Wright	Smith	Merson	Selley	Keown(84)	Campbell(84)
Tuesday April 12	Paris St-Germain (SF 2nd leg)															
May 4	Final															

* Subs not used v Odense (away): Bould, Hillier, Parlour, Miller
* Subs not used v Odense (home): Linighan, Miller, Limp, Selley

* Subs not used v Standard (home): Miller, Limp, Parlour
* Subs not used v Standard (away): Miller, Hillier, Limp

* Subs not used v Torino (away): Keown, Limp, McGoldrick, Miller
* Subs not used v Torino (home): Campbell, Limp, Miller

* Subs not used v Paris St-Germain (away): McGoldrick, Morrow, Miller

FA CUP

Date	Opponents	F-A Att	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Keown	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	McGoldrick	Merson	Jensen	Miller
Monday January 10	Millwall (3rd rnd)	1-0	20,093	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Keown	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	Merson	Parlour	Miller
Monday January 31	Bolton Wanderers (4th rnd)	2-2	18,891	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Parlour	Bould	Adams	Keown	Wright	Campbell	Hillier	Merson	Parlour	Miller
Wednesday February 9	Bolton Wanderers (4th rnd replay)	1-3†	33,863	Seaman	Dixon	Winterburn	Hillier†	Bould	Adams	Campbell	Wright	Smith	Merson	Parlour	McGoldrick(69)	Keown(33)

† after extra time

APPEARANCES AND GOALS 1993/94

	Premier League	FA Cup	Coca Cola Cup	Europe	Charity Shield		Premier League	FA Cup	Coca Cola Cup	Europe	Charity Shield
David Seaman	33	3	5	7	1	Paul Davis	16+1	-	1+2	7	1
Nigel Winterburn	31	3	4	7	1	Andy Linighan	18	-	4	1+1	1
Ian Wright	31(20,4p)	3(1)	4(6)	5(4)	1(1)	Alan Smith	15+2(2)	1+1(1)	4+1(1)	5+2(1)	-
Tony Adams	29	3(2)	2	6(2)	1	Ian Selley	11+1	-	1+1	3+2(1)	-
John Jensen	26	+1	5	7	1	David Hillier	10+4	3	+1	2	-
Lee Dixon	26	3	4	6	1	*Anders Limp	9+1	-	2	-	1
Kevin Campbell	23+8(13)	3	2+2(1)	4+2(3)	1	Stephen Morrow	3+2	-	1	-	-
Paul Merson	21+8(6)	2+1	4(2)	7(3)	1	Alan Miller	1+1	-	-	-	-
Eddie McGoldrick	19+1	1+1	4	3+1(1)	+1	*Neil Heaney	1	-	+1	-	-
Steve Bould	18+2	3	3	3+1	-	own goal	-	-	-	-	-
Ray Parlour	18+1(2)	3	2	-	-						
Martin Keown	17+10	2+1	3	4+2	+1						

* = now left club

+ = sub appearances, goals scored are in brackets

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F.A. CARLING PREMIERSHIP 1993/94 (up to and including March 30)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester United	34	22	10	2	69	32	76
Blackburn Rovers	34	21	7	6	52	29	70
Newcastle United	34	19	6	9	68	33	63
Arsenal	34	16	13	5	46	19	61
Leeds United	34	14	13	7	47	33	55
Liverpool	35	15	8	12	53	46	53
Queens Park Rangers	32	14	8	10	52	42	50
Aston Villa	34	13	11	10	39	33	50
Sheffield Wednesday	34	12	12	10	58	48	48
Wimbledon	34	13	9	12	40	44	48
Norwich City	35	11	14	10	57	51	47
Coventry City	34	10	11	13	34	40	41
Ipswich Town	35	9	14	12	32	45	41
Chelsea	33	10	8	15	37	44	38
West Ham United	33	9	11	13	32	47	38
Everton	35	10	7	18	36	48	37
Tottenham Hotspur	34	8	12	14	44	47	36
Oldham Athletic	33	8	10	15	31	52	34
Manchester City	35	6	15	14	28	42	33
Southampton	34	9	6	19	34	49	33
Sheffield United	35	5	16	14	32	52	31
Swindon Town	35	4	13	18	40	85	25

THE RACE FOR THE GOLDEN SHOE F.A. CARLING PREMIERSHIP TOPSCORERS 1993/94

30	COLE (Newcastle United)
27	SHEARER (Blackburn Rovers)
22	SUTTON (Norwich City)
20	WRIGHT (Arsenal)
17	BEARDSLEY (Newcastle United)
	LE TISSIER (Southampton)
15	CANTONA (Manchester United)
14	BRIGHT (Sheffield Wednesday)
13	CAMPBELL (Arsenal)
	COTTEE (Everton)
	FERDINAND (Queens Park Rangers)
12	EKOKU (Norwich City)
	RUSH (Liverpool)
	WALLACE (Leeds United)

SCOREBOARD

Today's other F.A. Carling Premiership matches...

Chelsea	v	Southampton
Coventry City	v	Wimbledon
Liverpool	v	Sheffield United
Manchester City	v	Aston Villa
Norwich City	v	Tottenham Hotspur
Oldham Athletic	v	Queens Park Rangers
Sheffield Wednesday	v	Everton
West Ham United	v	Ipswich Town
<i>Live on Sky Sports:</i>		
Blackburn Rovers	v	Manchester United
(kick-off 5pm)		

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F.A. CARLING PREMIERSHIP AVERAGE HOME ATTENDANCES 1993/94

MANCHESTER UNITED.....	44,172	WEST HAM UNITED	19,919
LIVERPOOL	38,395	SHEFFIELD UNITED	19,076
NEWCASTLE UNITED	34,103	NORWICH CITY	17,915
LEEDS UNITED	33,160	BLACKBURN ROVERS	16,663
ARSENAL	30,582	IPSWICH TOWN	16,359
ASTON VILLA	27,721	SWINDON TOWN.....	15,126
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	27,480	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	14,813
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	27,157	SOUTHAMPTON	14,197
MANCHESTER CITY.....	25,967	COVENTRY CITY.....	13,494
EVERTON.....	22,161	OLDHAM ATHLETIC.....	12,488
CHELSEA	20,182	WIMBLEDON	8,810



TEAMS



ARSENAL

Red shirts, white neck and sleeves,
white shorts, red socks
with white tops

SWINDON TOWN

Yellow shirts with green trim,
blue shorts, white socks

Team
number

Squad
number

1	DAVID SEAMAN		FRASER DIGBY	1
2	LEE DIXON		NICKY SUMMERBEE	2
3	NIGEL WINTERBURN		PAUL BODIN	3
4	RAY PARLOUR		LUC NIJHOLT	5
5	STEVE BOULD		SHAUN TAYLOR	6
6	TONY ADAMS		ADRIAN WHITBREAD	14
7	JOHN JENSEN		BRIAN KILCLINE	31
8	IAN WRIGHT		JOHN MONCUR	7
9	KEVIN CAMPBELL		MARTIN LING	10
10	PAUL MERSON		JAN AAGE FJORTOFT	9
11	IAN SELLEY		LAWRIE SANCHEZ	33
12				
14				
15				

Referee:
Keith Hackett
(Sheffield)

Linesman:
A.P. d'Urso
(Wickford, Essex)

Linesman:
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