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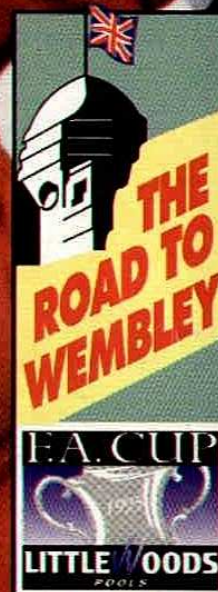
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This evening we are at last pleased to be able to welcome the players, officials and supporters of Oldham Athletic to The County Ground for this F.A. Cup-sponsored by Littlewoods Pools 4th round tie. Unfortunately the big freeze which engulfed the country ten days ago put paid to our attempt to play Oldham Athletic on the original date but we were not alone with only five of the sixteen ties getting played over that weekend and only three of them saw positive results.

5th Round

Nevertheless the draw for the 5th Round was made as scheduled and resulted as such:

*Shrewsbury Town or Liverpool vs
Charlton Athletic or Brentford*

*Nottingham Forest or Oxford Utd. vs
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*Bolton Wanderers or Leeds United vs
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Ipswich Town or Walsall vs Aston Villa

*Swindon Town or Oldham Athletic vs
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*Manchester United vs Coventry City or
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*Huddersfield T. or Peterborough Utd. vs
Middlesbrough or Wimbledon*

*West Ham United or Grimsby Town vs
Chelsea*

Games to be played February
17-18-19

Replay

If this evenings game results in a draw, no extra time is played. The tie will be replayed next Tuesday 13 February at Boundary Park kicking off at 7:45pm. There will be no advanced booking for the game. Supporters are advised that admission will be by payment at the turnstiles on the night.

Reserves

The Reserves next game is on Monday 12 February when they travel to play Brighton & Hove Albion at The Goldstone Ground in the Avon Insurance Combination. Two days later are again in action when they meet Wimbledon at Plough Lane on Wednesday 14 February. Both games kick off at 2:00pm.

Their next home game is on Monday 26 February when we entertain Portsmouth. This is the last 2:00pm kick off for the home Reserve Team fixtures. We then switch to 7:00pm starts with effect from the Watford game on Monday 11 March.

Programme

Many thanks to P.I.A. Marketing Communications Ltd our programme printers who have managed to put a new cover and centre pages in the programme printed for the original game. This has allowed us to keep the statistics up to date.

Gremlins

We apologise for two errors which crept into the programme. The Trivia Time Quiz on page 4 has unfortunately been duplicated having appeared in the Hull City programme and on page 32 the expiry date for Season Ticket holders to claim their free ticket for the 'Be A Friend....Bring A Friend' promotion is of course February 20 not January 20 as printed.

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Endsleigh League

*Next Saturday we travel to South
Wales where we meet
Swansea City at The Vetch
Field in the Endsleigh League kicking
off at 3:00pm.*

Our next home game is the rescheduled game with Burnley which is being played at The County Ground on Wednesday 14 February kicking off at 7:45pm. This is subject to us not having an F.A. Cup 4th Round Replay with Oldham Athletic the previous evening.





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From the top

With Manager Steve McMahon

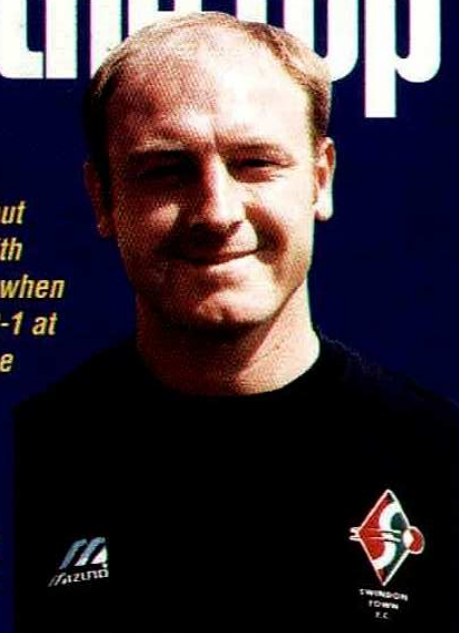
Oldham Athletic did not sort out their third round encounter with Barnsley until Tuesday night, when they beat the Yorkshire club 2-1 at Boundary Park in a replay. The one thing we knew was that we were playing at home so it did not really matter to us who it was against. Both contestants are from the First Division and either would set us a tough task.

Oldham are a good team. I have not seen them this season but Graeme Sharp has introduced a number of new faces and changed it around a bit. He has brought in Stuart Barlow from Everton and he can be quite dangerous; he is pacey and can get in behind people but I don't think he was the highest quality finisher at Everton and that is why they could afford to let him go. But Graeme Sharp seems to be getting the best out of him now.

The Everton influence is very strong - in fact it is almost like an old Evertonian convention this one - with Colin Harvey as Graeme's assistant. He will have a lot to do with the type of football they play and there are few better. I was brought up by Colin through the Youth team and Reserves and I have the highest respect for him.

Our main concern is not Oldham Athletic, but how we perform on the day against them. This is a good test for us to gauge just how we are shaping up and how much progress we have made this season. If we realise our ambitions then we will be playing the likes of Oldham every week next season.

Last week's win over Hull City was satisfying. We did not create too many great chances in the first half. After we got the first goal I thought



we played some of the best football we have played for a long time. There is obviously at least one change to that team this afternoon because Tony Grant cannot play but whoever comes in I'm sure will do a good job.

I am very hopeful that Shaun Taylor will be fit to resume today. He is a great influence to us as a player and a captain.

I'd like to welcome Graeme Sharp and Colin Harvey to the County Ground. We have had some right ding dongs against each other in derby matches and it is going to be the same again. I would say nine times out of ten we have got the better of them in Cup finals and so on - having said that Sharpy's a winner, he loves to win, and his team is going to be very difficult to beat.

Whatever the outcome I would just like to wish them the very best.

Enjoy the game.

Steve McMahon



It's.. TRIVIA TIME

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Dennis Bergkamp made his Ajax debut, against Malmö, less than 24 hours after a college exam

In 1919, Arsenal allegedly bribed their way into the top flight

During the Arsenal v Liverpool match in September 1972, Jimmy Hill was called upon as linesman when the original official tore a leg muscle.

Ajax were the first team to reach the final of all three European competitions

Did you know ??

Kevin Keegan was the first British player to win the European Footballer of the Year Award twice



WHO AM I ?

1. Born Derbyshire, 11th November 1970.
2. Began professional career with Notts County.
3. Moved to Leicester, was a member of the promotion winning side in '94.
4. Moved to Villa Park in close season of '95.
5. Future looks bright at international level.

?? QUIZ ??

1. Who scored the winning goal for Everton in last season's FA Cup Final?
2. Who did Birmingham City beat to win the 1991 Leyland Daf Cup?
3. Which club plays at Brunton Park?
4. How many time have Italy won the World Cup?
5. For which club did Illie Dumitrescu sign on-loan last season?
6. For which Turkish club did Dalian Atkinson sign during the '95 close season?
7. Which Division Two team plays in Bath?
8. Which team finished bottom of the Endsleigh League last year?
9. Which club are known as 'The Baggies'?
10. Which two grounds did Charlton Athletic play their 'home' games whilst their own ground was being re-developed?

Whose Crest ?



Answers

QUIZ 1. Paul Kiddout; 2. Tranmere Rovers; 3. Carlisle United; 4. St. B. Scullion; 5. Scullion; 6. Fenerbach; 7. Bristol Rovers; 8. Exeter City; 9. West Bromwich Albion; 10. Selhurst Park and Upton Park. WHOSE CREST? Scottish Football Association.

'Norm & Ec'

by Norman Hood



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This afternoon we are back on the Road to Wembley as we welcome to the County Ground the players, officials and supporters of Oldham Athletic Football Club for today's F.A. Cup-sponsored by Littlewoods Pools 4th round tie.

Replay

In the event of the scores this afternoon being level after ninety minutes, no extra time is played. The tie will be replayed on Tuesday 6 February 1996 kicking off at 7:45pm at Boundary Park.

Full ticket details will be announced on ClubCall on Monday. The game will not be all ticket.

Draw

The draw for the 5th round of the F.A. Cup will be made tomorrow afternoon at approximately 5:00pm following the Sheffield United vs Aston Villa game which is being screened live on B.B.C. 1. The draw will also be going out live on B.B.C. Radio 5 LIVE.

The date for 5th round ties is Saturday 17 February 1996 with two games being held over to the following two days for transmission live on B.B.C. 1 and SKY SPORTS.

Reserves

The next game for the Reserves in the Avon Insurance Combination is

on Tuesday 30 January when they travel to play Chelsea at Kingstonian Football Club where the kick off is at 7:00pm.

Their next home game is here at The County Ground on Monday 5 February when they meet Millwall kicking off at 2:00pm.

A reminder that, with effect from the Watford game on Monday 11 March; in response to requests from supporters, we will be reverting to 7:00pm kick offs for our home games. This is for a trial period and if there is enough support for the evening kick offs it will continue next season.

Redated Games

Our three games which were frozen out over the Christmas and New Year holiday period have now all been redated.

The home game with Burnley will now be played here at The County Ground on Wednesday 14 February kicking off at 7:45pm.

The away fixture with Peterborough United had been provisionally set for a 7:45pm kick off at London Road on Tuesday 6 February. This is subject to neither Peterborough

United or ourselves having F.A. Cup replays that week.

Finally the game at Oxford United has been rescheduled for Tuesday 5 March at 7:45pm. This game is strictly all ticket. Ticket details will be announced shortly.

Early Booking

An early date for your diary for next season is our first pre-season fixture which has already been arranged. We will be playing Southampton here at The County Ground on Tuesday 6 August kicking off at 7:45pm.

Our other pre-season games will be played again this year in Finland where we will be on an eight day tour.

Hat-Trick

The Youth Team will again be competing in the International Youth Tournament in Veenendaal in the Netherlands at Easter. Having won the trophy for the past two years, the lads will be going out for a hat-trick of victories but face a tough tournament as the opposition include the likes of Feyenoord Rotterdam, Sparta Rotterdam and NEC Nijmegen.



Endsleigh League

We return to the Endsleigh League next Saturday when Carlisle United make the trip from Cumbria to the County Ground. Kick off is at 3:00pm and tickets are on sale now from the Advance Ticket Office which is now open late on Friday's until 6:45pm when we are at home the following day.

The Ticket Office at The County Ground has it's own dedicated number for supporters to call for ticket information and bookings - Swindon (01793) 529000.

Supporters holding tickets for the Burnley game which was postponed on 30 December are advised that they are still valid for the new date. Refunds will be entertained provided the whole ticket is presented at the Advance Ticket Office at least forty eight hours prior to the new date of Wednesday 14 February.



Oldham Athletic

the visitors

By John Nolan

A big sigh of relief emanated from Boundary Park on Tuesday night as Oldham Athletic finally saw off the challenge of fellow First Division rivals Barnsley in their FA Cup Third Round replay.

This had been their third meeting with the Tykes in 17 days, a sequence that commenced on Saturday 6th January when they held Barnsley 0-0 at Oakwell in the original tie. New signing Toddy Orlygsson had been the star of this encounter and could have snatched victory for the Latics. He didn't and that upset the plans of Norwegian Gunnar Halle who hoped to return to Scandinavia for the Christening of his daughter. Alas, the replay clashed with the date and wrecked his plans. The final irony being of course the eventual postponement of the replay because Boundary Park was shrouded in fog!

There was worse to come though for Oldham for the following Saturday they were beaten 1-0 at home in the First Division - their conquerors being Barnsley who cracked their Boundary Park bogey with their first win there in 61 years. Would they be able to make it two in a row in the FA Cup replay?

Optimism was not that high for the Latics, ravaged by a severe injury crisis - skipper Nick Henry will miss the rest of the season after

back surgery - have not been faring well in Division One of late. Such has been their predicament that at Crystal Palace last month goalkeeper Jon Hallworth had to go on as an emergency substitute striker. Mind you he nearly headed a late winner in a 2-2 draw.

But it all came good on the night and Oldham come here as favourites to advance through to the Fifth Round of the FA Cup thanks to another sterling display from Icelandic international Toddy Orlygsson.

Latics boss Graeme Sharp believed the Icelandic star could re-launch his side's promotion bid though they have got a lot of catching up to do. Oldham are currently hovering in 17th place on 32 points - 10 short of third placed Huddersfield Town.

Scoring away from home has been one of their major problems with just 13 netted in two wins, six draws and five defeats in Division One. On the other hand defensively they have looked good conceding just 16 goals in this 13 match sequence and only

Sunderland and Tranmere Rovers can boast a better return away from home and they have both played one game less.

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Oldham Athletic Football Club 1995/96 season



Back Row:

Andy Holden (Reserve Team Coach),
Steve Redmond, Richard Graham,
Craig Flemming, Richard Jobson,
Jon Hallworth, Paul Gerrard, Simon Kay,
Ian Olney, Ricky Evans, Lee Richardson,
John Bowden (Kit Manager).

Middle Row:

Alexis Moreno (Physiotherapist),
Billy Urmson (Youth Coach), Rick Holden,
Carl Serrant, Darren Lonergran,
Martin Pemberton, Paul Bernard,
Gunnar Halle, Nicky Banger, David Beresford,
Jim Cassell (Chief Scout), Colin Harvey
(First Team Coach).

Front Row:

Sean McCarthy, Paul Rickers, Mark Brennan,
Nick Henry, Graeme Sharp (Manager),
Darren Beckford, Ian Snodin, Chris Makin,
Neil Pointon.

2nd Oldham Athletic



Stuart Barlow

- **FORWARD.** Hard working forager who was picked up by Everton in the summer of 1990 from Sherwood Park of the Liverpool Sunday League. The former butcher's boy made his League debut within twelve minutes, against Wimbledon, on April 10, 1991 and replaced Mo Johnston until Everton signed Paul Rideout. Despite living on the fringe of the first team at Goodison, Stuart still returned the highly creditable figures of 13 goals in 24 full appearances. Went on loan to Rotherham in 1991-92 but his one appearance for the Millers was rubbed out when Aldershot resigned from the Football League. Has pace and moved to Oldham for £450,000 in November 1995. Born: Liverpool 14-7-68.

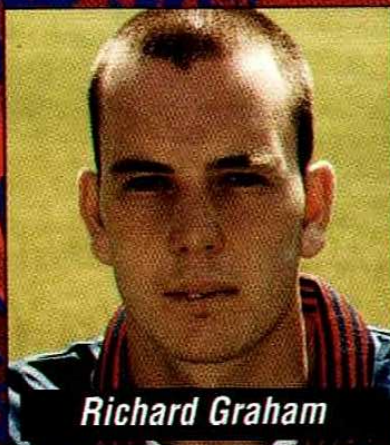
Darren Beckford

- **STRIKER.** Signed from Norwich City for £300,000 in March 1993, he scored within ten minutes of his debut for the Latics - as a sub versus Wimbledon. Finished that season with 3 goals in 7 games. Started his career with Manchester City and it was somewhat of a surprise when they allowed him to go to Port Vale in 1987 for just £15,000. The big man played on loan for Bury and Vale before the transfer and settled well in the Potteries, establishing a growing reputation with 68 goals in 167 League games. Norwich City paid £925,000 to take him to Carrow Road but he failed to impress at the top level and was virtually given away after less than two years in East Anglia. Joe Royle had long admired Darren's power and pace but once again he has not been able to recapture his best form, injuries limiting him to just 27 (14) senior appearances (12 goals) up to the commencement of this season. Born: Manchester 12-5-67.

Mark Brennan

- **MIDFIELD.** Left sided player recruited from Maine Road in 1992 at a cost of £100,000. Made his Latics bow in November 1992 as a replacement for Nick Holden on

the left wing, against Middlesbrough one of his former clubs. Chalked up his 250th League appearance with his opening game this season, in a career that started with Ipswich Town in 1983 (FL deb v Arsenal Nov 1983). Became a fixture in the Town side for four years before being transferred to Middlesbrough in the summer of 1988 for £375,000. Two years later he joined Manchester City for £500,000 but made only 36 appearances for them. Had a trial with French First Division side Met in March 1992 before signing for Oldham in November of that year. England Under-21 cap. Born: Rossendale 4-10-65.



Richard Graham

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- **MIDFIELD.** Brought up through the junior ranks at Boundary Park, Richard made his senior debut in the home game with Manchester United in 1994. Unfortunately collected an injury which resulted in him making only one more appearance that season. Came back however to enjoy a fruitful 1994-95 during which he established himself as a regular in the Latics line-up and also earned himself representative honours for England at Under-21 level: and for the Endsleigh League versus Italy's Series 'B' selection. Born: Drewsbury 28-11-74.

Gunnar Halle

- **FULLBACK.** Norwegian International with a World-Cup pedigree and over 50 caps. A

fitness fanatic, his enthusiasm makes him a great favourite with Latics fans. Can operate virtually anywhere though he prefers to play wide on the right. Oldham signed Gunnar from Norwegian club Lillestrom for £280,000 in 1991 and what a bargain he had proved. Had not scored in three years in English football until he netted against Nottingham Forest in August 1992. A week later he scored again at Manchester City! Just to emphasise it was not a fluke he registered a hat-trick for Norway against San Marino in a World Cup qualifier in September 1992. Had scored 14 times for Oldham by the end of last season. Born: Larvik 11-8-65.



Gunnar Halle

Jon Hallworth

- **GOALKEEPER.** Has made over 250 senior appearances for the Latics. Served his apprenticeship with Ipswich Town, for whom he made 45 League appearances. Jon made his League debut however for Bristol Rovers at Reading in January 1985 on loan. Had loan spells with Swindon and Fulham also that season but did not get a game with either club. In February 1989 Oldham signed him for £125,000 and he was the first choice custodian - ever-present in the Latics' Second Division Championship side - until he sustained an arm injury at Old Trafford three years ago which kept him on the sidelines for a long period. Born: Stockport 26-10-65.

Oldham Athletic



Sean McCarthy

- **FORWARD.** Proved a prolific scorer with his previous clubs and continued the trend following his £415,000 transfer from Bradford City in December 1993, finishing that season with four goals. Completed his first full campaign (1994-95) as the Latics top shot with 18 goals - all in the League. Came into football with Swansea City, making his debut in a 1-0 win over Bury in November 1985. 1986-87 was his best run. Scoring 14 goals in 44 Fourth Division appearances, being the Swans top scorer in two of his three seasons. Plymouth Argyle invested £50,000 in the 21 year-old in 1988. Had scored 140 first-class goals prior to the start of his season. Born: Bridgend 12-9-62.

Scott McNiven

- **DEFENDER.** Young graduate from the Boundary Park nursery. Scott was given his first taste of senior football last season making just one appearance. Born: Blackpool 17-5-73.

Chris Makin

- **FULLBACK.** Joined Oldham from school as a trainee and graduated through the ranks making a big impression on everyone when he burst into the first team in the 1993-94 season. An England Youth International he has also been capped at Under-21 level - he was awarded a golden medal for his performance in the Toulon tournament in 1994 - and gained further representative honours when selected for the Endsleigh League XI against the Italian Serie "B" side. Had made 55 League appearances for the Latics by the close of 1994-95. Born: Manchester 8-5-73.

Toddy Orlygsson

- **MIDFIELD.** The Icelandic star was signed in December after his contract expired with Stoke City. Stoke boss Lou Macari was furious as Oldham became the first club to try and cash in on the Bosman

ruling Toddy rejected a new deal. Macari wanted £500,000. Oldham offered £100,000 for the free agent, a League tribunal later set the fee at £180,000. Orlygsson made his Latics debut in the 0-0 home draw with Watford on December 23, 1995.

Steve Redmond

- **DEFENDER.** Signed from Manchester City in August 1992 for £600,000. Was one of the outstanding players to emerge from the Maine Road youth policy in the mid-eighties and played nearly 250 games for City, having made his League debut in February 1986 against QPR and eventually skippered the team. Capped by England at Youth and Under-21 (14) levels and was Oldham's Player of the Year in 1995. Born: Liverpool 2-11-67.

Paul Rickers

- **MIDFIELD.** A young man establishing a fine reputation after making his senior bow in season 1994-95. Played three games collecting the Man of the Match award in two and scoring his first senior goal. A Yorkshireman, Paul joined the club from school as a trainee. Born: Leeds 9-5-75.

Ian Snodin

- **DEFENDER.** Picked up from Everton for a nominal fee in January 1995, Ian brought the experience of some 400 games to Boundary Park. It all started with Doncaster Rovers in 1979 as an apprentice. Was given his League chance v AFC Bournemouth in March 1980 and in signed for Leeds United in a £200,000 deal. Made 51 League appearances for them in two years and joined Everton in 1987 for £850,000, winning a League Championship medal in his first season. Would have won further honours for club and country but for injury but still gained International recognition with England caps at Youth, Under-21 and "B" levels. Born: Rotherham 15-8-63.

Oldham Athletic Football Club Season 1995/96 Endsleigh League Division 1

HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H	3-0
Barnsley	A	1-2
SHEFFIELD UNITED	H	2-1
Norwich City	A	1-2
Stoke City	A	1-0
Ancona#	A	0-1
WEST BROMWICH ALB.	H	1-2
IPSWICH TOWN	H	1-1
Charlton Athletic	A	1-1
Tranmere Rovers*	A	0-1
CRYSTAL PALACE	H	3-1
Birmingham City	A	0-0
TRANMERE ROVERS*	H	1-3
PORTSMOUTH	H	1-1
CESENA#	H	0-0
Grimsby Town	A	1-1
READING	H	2-1
Derby County	A	1-2
PORT VALE	H	2-2
PERGUIA	H	2-0
Luton Town	A	1-1
Wolverhampton W.	A	3-1
MILLWALL	H	2-2
SOUTHEND UNITED	H	0-1
Portsmouth	A	1-2
Crystal Palace	A	2-2
Genoa#	A	0-0
BIRMINGHAM CITY	H	4-0
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the man in charge



Graeme Sharp - Manager

Graeme Sharp is still registered as Player-Manager though his appearances in the team are all too infrequent. He had signed a new two year playing contract in 1994 after once again topping

the Oldham scoring chart with 13 goals. However, the departure of Joe Royle to Everton in November 1994 changed his status and his horizons when the Board offered him the job... Graeme is only Oldham's third manager in 26 years.

Graeme Marshall Sharp was born in Glasgow on the 16 October 1960. A product of the Scottish junior Eastercraigs he was 19 when Dumbarton gave him his debut against Airdrie in November 1978. Such was Graeme's progress that just eighteen months later he was on his way to Goodison Park, after scoring 17 goals in 40 matches for the Scottish League Second Division side.

The season of 1983-84 was a glorious one for Everton and Graeme. His goals helped them

reach both the FA and League Cup finals. They lost 1-0 to Liverpool in the League Cup but returned to Wembley in May to clinch the FA Cup - Graeme scoring the first goal in a 2-0 victory over Watford.

His goals the following year helped clinch a League Championship title; a European Cup Winners' medal and runners-up in the FA Cup.

Graeme played in a third successive FA Cup Final and collected a second League Championship honour in 1987 and was back at Wembley again to contest the FA Cup Final in 1989.

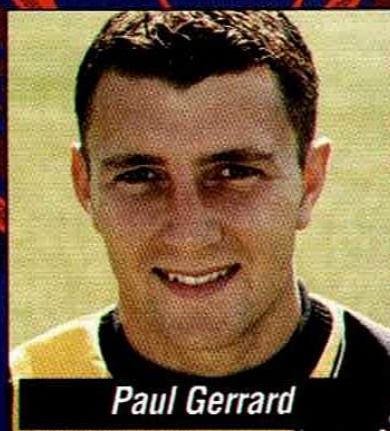
Joined Oldham Athletic for £400,000 in the summer of 1991 after ten glorious years at Goodison Park and 111 goals 322 League appearances. Has now extended his playing career by 125 (8) senior appearances - 39 goals for Oldham.

Under the Spotlight

Paul Gerrard was one of the most talked about young custodians in the country three years ago when his brave, athletic and consistent performances in the Latics goal courted comment from all levels of the game.

Born in Heywood on the 22nd January 1973, he celebrated his 23rd birthday on Monday. Paul William Gerrard joined Oldham Athletic as a trainee on leaving school in the summer of 1989, and two years later was awarded a professional contract.

But the hoped for future as a star goalie took a big knock when he damaged his knee so badly it needed two operations. On



Paul Gerrard

recovering Paul was loaned out to Crewe Alexandra in order to gain experience. It wasn't to be. The day before his debut he dislocated the same knee.

Paul was devastated and on the brink of quitting until Joe Royle provided some soothing words of

encouragement and persuaded him to give it one more go. This was backed by a specialist who gave him the all clear to resume training.

The young 'keeper was just two games into his comeback with the Reserves when Oldham ran into trouble. Goalkeepers Jon Hallsworth and John Keeley were grounded by injury. Paul was selected for his Premiership debut at Loftus Road on 5th December 1992.

Athletic lost 3-2 but Paul showed enough. He made the number one spot his own hitting the headlines with a series of impressive displays which led to his selection for the England Under-21 team. So secure and consistent was he that he played 15 successive games for England at that level in which England remained unbeaten.



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FA CUP-SPONSORED BY LITTLEWOODS POOLS Preview

There is nothing quite like the F.A. Cup for bringing the high and mighty down to earth and already in this season's competition we have had our fair share of shock results. This is what the Cup is all about, the magic of uncertainty no matter what the status of the contestants.

Just when Blackburn Rovers thought their Championship hangover was behind them, their season took another grisly turn for the worst when Ipswich Town provided a knock-out blow minutes from the end of extra-time. And who would have bet on the Blades cutting Arsenal out after two goes! It was a first win for Sheffield United under Howard Kendall after five draws.

These triumphs were achieved in replays but Charlton Athletic needed only one attempt to see off Sheffield Wednesday - the Premiership's first casualty. So who is next for the Cup chop?

Howard Kendall, who led Everton to three Cup Finals, said of his latest triumph, "This has to rank among my best Cup moments." The Sheffield manager, who made history in 1964 by becoming the youngest player to appear in the final - for Preston against West Ham (a record later broken by our Paul Allen for West Ham against Arsenal in 1980) - looks confidently towards repeating the giant-killing act against Aston Villa tomorrow.

Shrewsbury Town struck a blow for Cup tradition when they overcame police objections to stage their fourth round tie against Liverpool at Gay Meadow. The capacity there these days is about 8,500 and the Shrews could have earned an extra £100,000 if they had agreed to switch the tie to Anfield. But they didn't (full marks to them) and so have the chance to rekindle those glorious Cup-tie Saturdays under Graham Turner when they won national acclaim as giant-killers beating the likes of Manchester City and Ipswich Town - who were then both powerful First Division sides. Reading, like Shrewsbury Town,

have the opportunity to stage a major upset. The Biscuitmen were probably delighted when Manchester United overcame Sunderland in their replay because there is no doubt this will be Reading's Cup Final. But even taking into account United's failure against York City in the Coca-Cola Cup Cantona, Cole and company, should be good enough to exploit a Reading defence that has conceded 36 goals this season.

Grimsby Town are going well in Division One and could have a few shocks in their lockers for West Ham United. This will be a tough one for the Hammers who have been strengthened by the signing of Ilie Dumitrescu from Spurs (£1.5 million). They overcame a potential upset at home to Southend United in the Third Round and should be at least a goal too good for the Mariners.

Likewise the Cup holders Everton should overcome Port Vale. They had a scare, or even three, against Stockport County but Vale's suspect defence points to a Premiership victory here.

It is down at the Dell where glory may be achieved by Crewe Alexandra this afternoon. Dario Gradi's boys beat West Brom 4-3 in the previous round and our closest challengers in the Second Division are certainly prolific scorers. An early strike could upset the Saints (3-0 victors over Portsmouth) who have won only four times at home in the Premiership.

Ipswich Town and Charlton Athletic's heroics could be forgotten come 4:45pm as they both take on the mantle of favourites. But both are currently

enjoying good runs in the League and should overcome Walsall and Brentford respectively.

I fancy Nottingham Forest to see off Oxford United; Huddersfield Town to account for Peterborough United and in the all Premiership clashes Leeds United to draw at Bolton; Coventry to beat Manchester City; Middlesbrough to overcome Wimbledon and Chelsea to win at QPR (Monday night).

There is a feeling that Wolverhampton Wanderers, who have reached the quarter-final in the last two seasons, could take Tottenham Hotspur back to Molineux for a replay...But Shrewsbury Town and Crewe are the two tips for giant-killing honours.

F.A. Cup - sponsored by Littlewoods Pools 4th Round

Shrewsbury Town vs Liverpool
Charlton Athletic vs Brentford
Ipswich Town vs Walsall
Bolton Wanderers vs Leeds United
Queens Park Rangers vs Chelsea
(Live on BSkyB - Mon 29 Jan, 8:00pm)

Huddersfield Town vs Peterborough United
Coventry City vs Manchester City
Middlesbrough vs Wimbledon
Reading vs Manchester United
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Southampton vs Crewe Alexandra
Swindon Town vs Oldham Athletic
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Swindon Town vs Hull City

Celebrations as TONY GRANT scores on his debut.



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Training Ground

With Andy Rowland

He might look like Del Boy's brother and his team-mates at Goodison naturally call him 'Rodders' and there the similarities do not finish. Tony Grant's debut goal for us last Saturday against Hull City is like 'Only Fools & Horses', a classic which you want to see again and again. I don't know why but when he chipped the Hull keeper the words "Lovely Jubbly" went through my head!

It's a great pity that the new F.A. rules prevent Tony from lining up against our First Division opponents this afternoon.

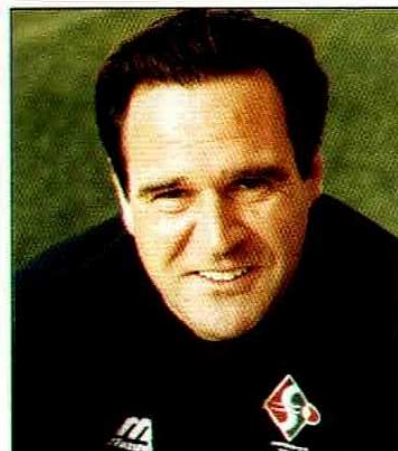
Joe Royle said that he rates Tony as one of the best up and coming prospects at Goodison at the moment and on last Saturday's showing you can see why. His goal was one of real quality. He settled into the side well and will no doubt be eagerly awaiting his next opportunity to play next Saturday.

Good news from Jonathan Trigg during the week that Shaun Taylor and Mark Seagraves are both

responding well to treatment and if not ready for today should be in with a chance next week.

It's good that we will soon be back to a reasonably full strength squad but with so many games coming up over the next few weeks we know that we cannot afford to have many more injuries otherwise we could well have to look at bringing in a few more new faces.

Today we can forget about the League as we concentrate on the F.A. Cup. Our opponents have just completed one of those quirks often thrown up when they faced



each other in League and Cup action in successive weeks.

We go into the game as underdogs as they come to us from a Division higher so the pressure is on them to keep us at bay.

Enjoy the game and let's make sure it is our name in tomorrow afternoon's draw.

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TreatmentRoom

With Club Physio Jonathan Trigg

Shaun Taylor passed a fitness test earlier in the week and returned to full-time training. If he has no further reaction Shaun should be available for selection for today's game.

Good news also this week for Mark Seagraves who has commenced training after his lay-off with his back injury and also for Edwin Murray who has now recovered from a minor strain of his right thigh which he picked up in the Reserve Team game against Southampton a fortnight ago.

Martin Ling has received treatment this week after suffering a nasty knock to his right hip last Saturday. Martin missed several days training but will be fit enough to be involved this afternoon.

Lee Collins and Andy Mutch have

returned to training following their respective thigh and hernia problems.

Dean Hooper ended his spell at Peterborough United after injuring the medial collateral ligament on the inside of his left knee during the final match of his loan period.

Dean has been as yet unable to jog so he has been working on the mountain and exercise bikes and carrying out straight leg and light weight exercises to redevelop the thigh muscles in order to strengthen and protect the knee.



Dean will not be out too long and will hopefully be able to return to training within about ten days or so.

The Swindon Town Shadow Board

It is now 6 months since the Shadow Board was launched and today we speak with Chairman John Lodge.



Q. John, how much progress has the Shadow Board made in 6 months?

A. Apart from establishing our regular meetings and allocating duties to individual members of the Shadow Board, the real progress we have made is to move the interests of Swindon supporters to the top of the Club's agenda. With the comment cards and boxes all around the ground every fan has direct access to the heart of the Club.

Q. What have been the Shadow Board's major achievements?

A. We all believe that improving communication with the Club is the number one priority. The Open Forum was an experiment which succeeded very well. Fans were interested and the Club supported us with both Mike Spearman and Steve McMahon joining us. As you know we are planning more of these meetings.

Q. Any New Year message from the Shadow Board?

A. Keep on writing in with ideas and comments. We are the best supported club in our division and we want to contact as many Swindon fans as possible.

A reminder that you can write into us at the Shadow Board at P.O. Box 663, Swindon, SN1 2NX.

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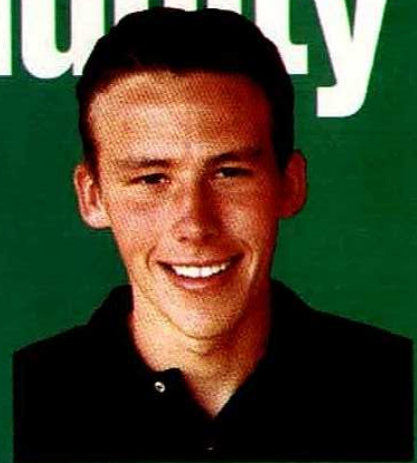
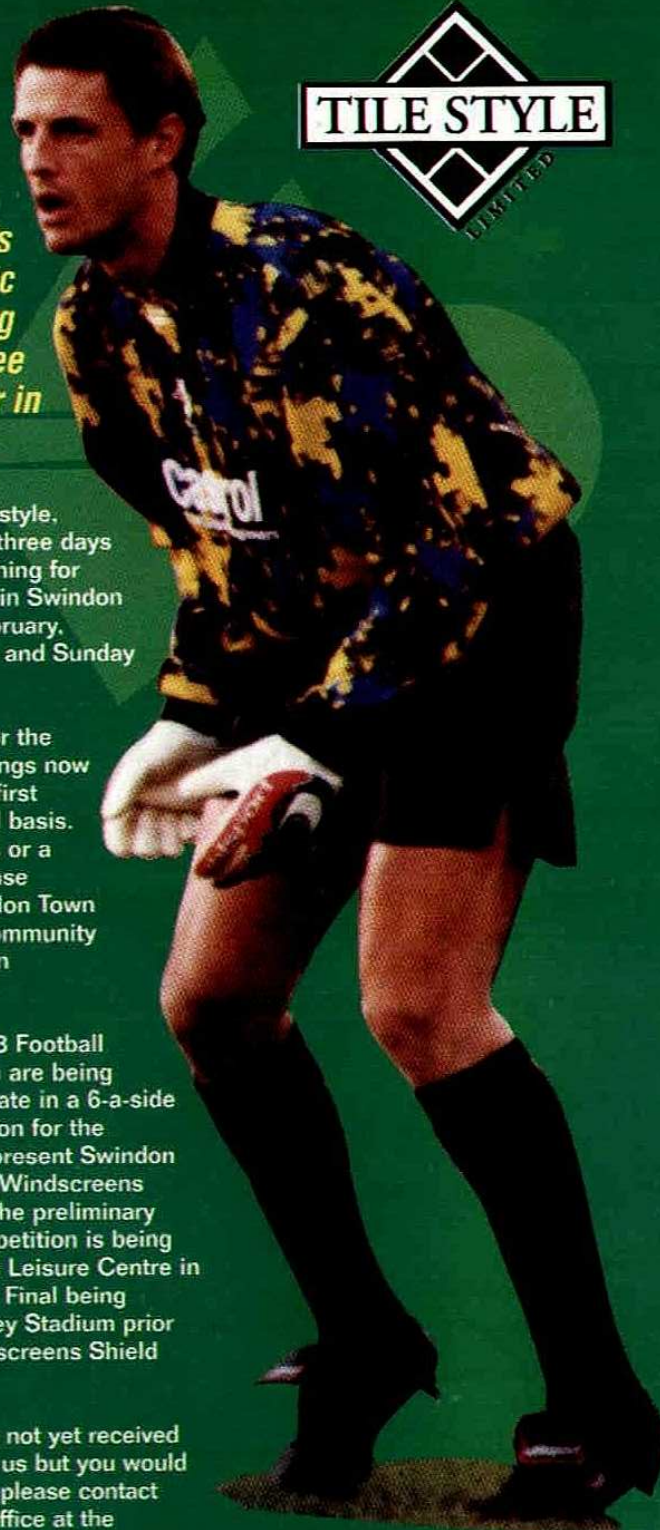
There are now just a few places remaining on Fraser Digby's Keepers Clinic which is being held over three Sundays later in the season.

Sponsored by Tilestyle, Fraser is running three days of specialist coaching for goalkeepers here in Swindon on Sunday 25 February, Sunday 24 March and Sunday 21 April.

The cost is £45 for the course with bookings now being taken on a first come, first served basis. For further details or a booking form please contact the Swindon Town Football in the Community Office on Swindon (01793) 421303.

School's Under 13 Football teams in Swindon are being invited to participate in a 6-a-side football competition for the opportunity to represent Swindon Town in the Auto Windscreens Schools Shield. The preliminary round of the competition is being held at The Oasis Leisure Centre in Swindon with the Final being played at Wembley Stadium prior to the Auto Windscreens Shield Final in April.

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TRAVEL CLUB

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Reductions available for Junior Robins.

Paul Rodin

Talks to Colin Benson

CB: Well Paul, as we hopefully get on with this re-arranged Cup tie with Oldham Athletic tonight what are your thoughts on the disruptions to the season. Do you subscribe to the lobby for a mid-season break?

PB: It is very difficult I think, especially with our weather which is so unpredictable. You could have a shut-down for say the first two weeks in January, come back then two or three weeks later we get the bad weather and we end up having the games off anyway. So it is a catch 22 situation. Obviously we don't want to miss games, we don't want the postponements, we don't want the back log of games, but I think in our climate I don't really see how we can have a set break.

It is just one of these situations where the weather is so unreliable that I don't think it would quite work out as it was really planned - literally to have a break during the worst of the weather.

CB: We could be in an even worse predicament with a stop start stop season I suppose.

PB: That's quite right. You could have a nice break of two weeks and think that is the period when generally the worst weather is, but can you be sure? We can end up having snow in late February and that would put paid to the mid-season break.

CB: What about the suggestion to move the season to take in the summer months, say from March to November?

PB: Well, traditionally football is a winter sport, but if that's the way things go I would go along with that. But look at the conditions last

summer when it was so hot. Could we handle that?

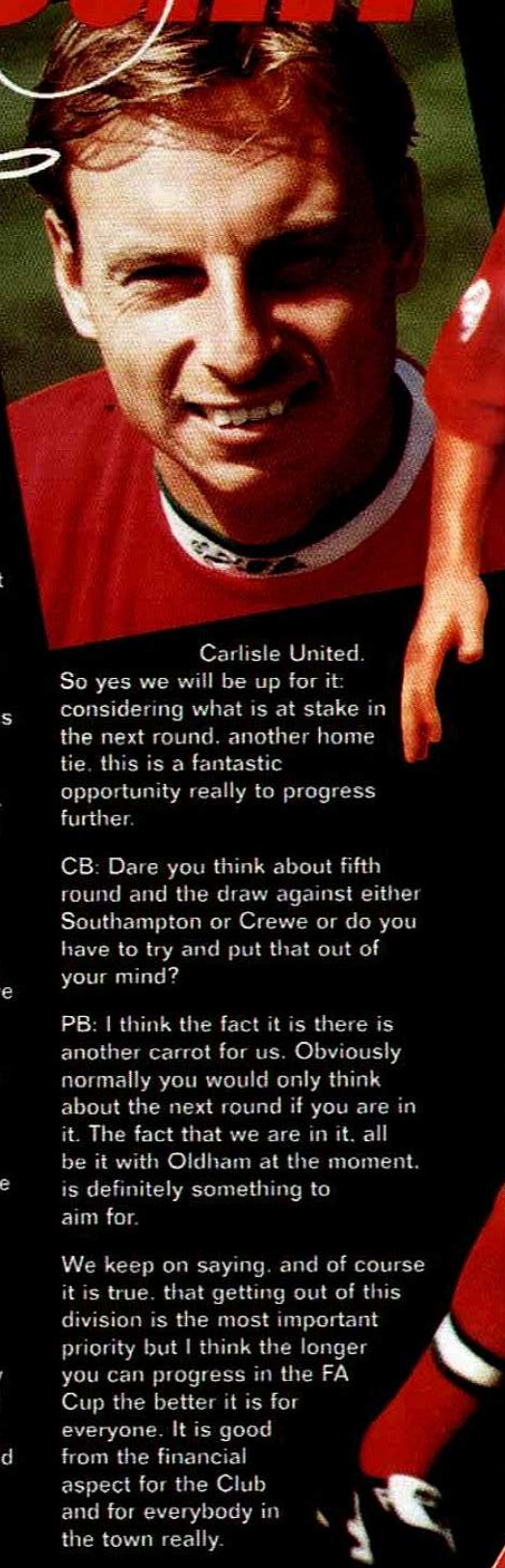
It is one of those situations again isn't it. I mean I wouldn't mind to be honest. Obviously it is the same for every player, but it would be draining as we found in pre-season last year. But I don't think it should be messed around with really. I think it is a winter sport, people love to wrap up and come to the game on a Saturday afternoon, and I think the traditions should be left alone.

CB: I'm with you on this one Paul. What would we do with ourselves in the winter?

PB: That's right. On a frosty cold morning we still go out and train and we actually enjoy it. Naturally when the pitches are bone hard we have to go indoors but generally when you have done a few runs and have warmed up it is great to be out in the fresh air blowing a few cobwebs off.

CB: When a big game like this one is called off it is obviously physiologically deflating having been building up all week. Is it difficult to rekindle the flame of passion again?

PB: Finally of course you feel very flat, particularly when it is a game of special significance like the FA Cup. But we have had time to wind down and build up again and of course had a very important League game on Saturday with



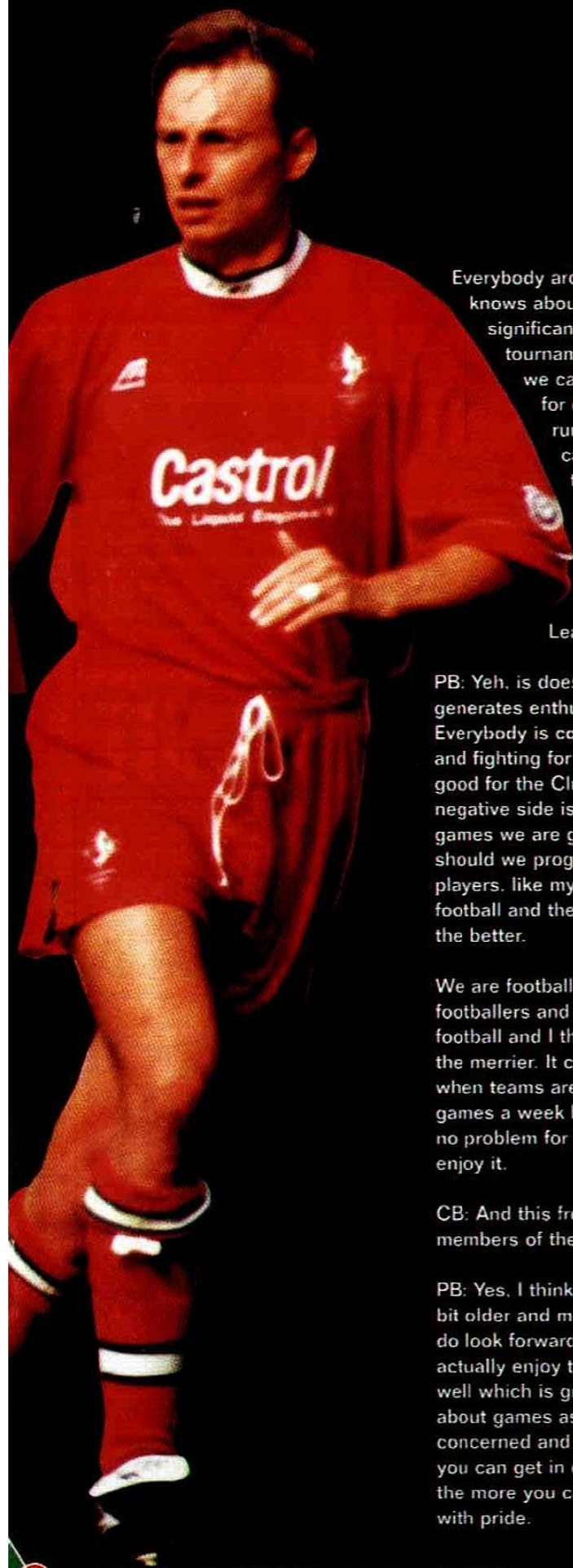
Carlisle United.

So yes we will be up for it: considering what is at stake in the next round, another home tie, this is a fantastic opportunity really to progress further.

CB: Dare you think about fifth round and the draw against either Southampton or Crewe or do you have to try and put that out of your mind?

PB: I think the fact it is there is another carrot for us. Obviously normally you would only think about the next round if you are in it. The fact that we are in it, all be it with Oldham at the moment, is definitely something to aim for.

We keep on saying, and of course it is true, that getting out of this division is the most important priority but I think the longer you can progress in the FA Cup the better it is for everyone. It is good from the financial aspect for the Club and for everybody in the town really.



Everybody around the World, knows about the FA Cup and its significance. It is a fantastic tournament and the longer we can go the better it is for everybody. A good run in this competition can lift the whole town - non football followers as well.

CB: A successful Cup run can also rub off you in the League as well Paul.

PB: Yeh, it does. A good Cup run generates enthusiasm all round. Everybody is confident, bubbling and fighting for places and that is good for the Club as well. The only negative side is the amount of games we are going to have to play should we progress. But then most players, like myself, enjoy playing football and the more games the better.

We are footballers, we are paid footballers and we enjoy playing football and I think the more games the merrier. It can get ridiculous when teams are asked to play three games a week but actually twice is no problem for myself. I really enjoy it.

CB: And this from one of the senior members of the squad.

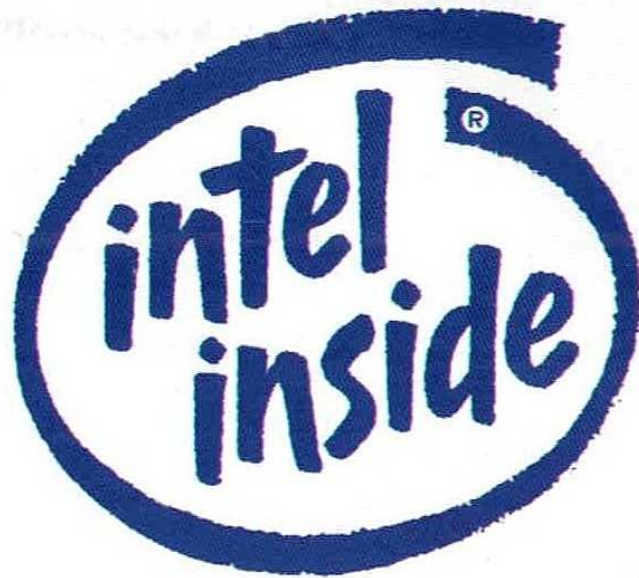
PB: Yes, I think when you do get a bit older and more experienced you do look forward to the games. I actually enjoy the training side as well which is great. But it is all about games as far as I'm concerned and the more games you can get in during your career the more you can look back on with pride.

CB: Oldham Athletic of course brings back memories of our season in the Premiership, they pinched a win here that time but we put three goals past them last season and it promises to be tight this time don't you think.

PB: That's right. The funny thing is I missed both those games. I had a calf strain for the first one, which they won 0-1 in our second Premiership game. It was a cruel blow to us. I think they scored in the last minute. That made it two starts, two defeats for us and who knows, had we won that game we might well have gained the confidence to go on to better things and stayed on the top division. Last year I was out with my bad back but the lads put on a great performance to win 3-1.

Oldham have had their problems too since then. But we will respect them, as we do every team we play, yet we certainly feel confident we can do a good job on them. A quote subscribed to Graeme Sharp in the local paper was a bit surprising. He said they were confident, they are the favourites we are the underdogs, and that the bookies were right. They are going to beat us.

I'm surprised by those comments. We are top of the League and doing well, and though they are in a division higher than us they are not actually setting the First Division alight. So I think it will be a good game. It is the FA Cup, we all know what is at stake and hopefully can get through to the next round.



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I was thinking of playing the theme music to 'Only Fools And Horses' over the P.A. when the players run out onto the pitch this afternoon as a tribute to Rodders.

sorry Tony Grant's scorching debut goal against Hull City here last week but unfortunately the F.A. rules have been changed this season and loan players cannot play in the Cup.

I interviewed Tony on the Breakfast Show on GWR FM last Tuesday and hopefully we should soon be in a position to be able to transmit an English version of the conversation fairly soon!

It's for certain you will never be able to eves-drop on a couple of Scousers talking!

We put a message out on the scoreboard last Saturday from

Alison who proposed to boyfriend Tony Brothers.

Unfortunately we do not know the outcome. So if either of you are out there in the crowd today please let us know. It's a leap-year so looks as if you are lumbered Tony mate!

Finally to the last Horne's Howler of the month.

One for our friends over at Reading this afternoon who are entertaining The Red Devils in the F.A. Cup. How will they recognise the Manchester United supporters? *Easy, they are ones who speak without Lancashire accents!*

The Junior Robins

With Louise Kaye

Good afternoon to all Junior Robins who have braved the cold for the FA Cup 4th round at the County Ground today.



TRAINING INFORMATION

A new service is available to Junior Robins in doubt of training session times or whether the pitch is in playing condition. Every Monday, Swindon Town ClubCall will have this information after the introduction on the phoneline. The number to ring is 0891 12 16 40 and please make sure you get permission from whoever pays the phone bill before dialling. (Calls are charged at 39p per minute cheap rate and 49p per minute at all other times).

HAVE YOU BEAN TO THE SUPERSTORE?

Apart from the jellybean machine which has been installed in the Club Superstore, it is well worth taking a look at the offers in the Sale and new merchandise. Don't

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Todays Lucky Mascots



Kevin Ackrill, aged 10 comes from Wroughton where he goes to Wroughton Junior School. His main hobby is football and he plays for Greendown in midfield. Kevin's favourite player is Shaun Taylor.



10 year old Janek Smolarek also attends Wroughton Juniors, near his home. Apart from Computer games, Janek likes to watch and play football and his is a defender for Wroughton Under 11's.



Dean Skeates celebrated his 10th birthday on Wednesday so Happy Birthday from all at Swindon Town. Dean lives in Moredon and attends Rodbourne Cheney Primary School, for whom he plays as a forward in the school team. His hobbies include riding his two ponies, videos and football. Dean's favourite Swindon player is Ian Culverhouse.

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Marketing NEWS

With Phil Alexander

A big warm welcome to today's fixture from everybody in the Marketing Team.

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Presentation Time



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Tony Grant presents Alan Gilchrist and his guests from Glaseal with an autographed football, Glaseal were Match Ball Sponsors against Hull City.



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Swindon Town Ladies



Swindon Town Ladies lost their hundred per cent record when they were held to a one all draw by Carterton Town.

Although the Town had most of the play they were unable to get the ball into the net. When Pam Laker put Swindon ahead mid-way through the first it looked as though it was the start of a big total. The Carterton defence dug in and closed the Town down quickly and with a packed defence clear cut chances were reduced to a minimum.

Clare Crossman, in the Carterton goal made some excellent saves. Carterton pulled one back just after the break and from then on, most of the play was in the visitors half, but the Town were unable to break through the back line. The draw still keeps the Town on top of the league as second place Reading Royals have dropped three points.

Tomorrow the Town entertain Oxford United Ladies in the First Round Proper of the League Cup. The Town were one of ten teams drawn to play in the Preliminary Round whereas this is Oxford's first game in this competition. A four goals to nil defeat of Bracknell Town ensured that the Town were in the draw for this round.

The two sides have never met before in any previous competition. The United team are in Division Three, one below the Town, and are currently in the lower half of the table. The winners of this tie have



By Roger Reeves

been drawn away to either Aldershot or Leighton Linlade in Round Two. The match will be played on the County Ground Extension and the kick off is at 2:00pm.

Come along and support the girls!



Clare Wheeler - Central Defender. Everyone sends their congratulations on your engagement to Nathan.

Southern Region League Division 2 Fixtures & Results

DATE	OPPONENTS	
Sun 3 Sept	Milton Keynes United	A 4-0
Sun 10 Sept	Reading Royals	A 4-1
	FA Cup 1st Round	H w/o
Sun 17 Sept	Eastleigh	H 4-0
Sun 1 Oct	Basingstoke Town	A 8-0
Sun 8 Oct	Gosport	H 4-2
Sun 15 Oct	Plymouth Pilgrims (FAC 2)	A 0-3
Sun 22 Oct	Oxford University	H 5-1
Sun 29 Oct	Thame	A 5-1
Sun 5 Nov	Milton Keynes United	H 13-0
Sun 19 Nov	Eastleigh	A 7-0
Sun 26 Nov	Leighton Linlade	A 7-0
Sun 3 Dec	Basingstoke Town	H 18-0
Sun 10 Dec	Gosport	A 5-3
Sun 17 Dec	Bracknell Town (LCPR)	A 4-0
Sun 14 Jan	Carterton	H 1-1
Sun 21 Jan	Oxford University	A
Sun 28 Jan	Oxford United (LC1)	H
Sun 4 Feb	Thame	H
Sun 11 Feb	League Cup 2	
Sun 18 Feb	Reading Royals	H
TBA	Leighton Linlade	H
TBA	Carterton	A

All home games are played on the County Ground Extension and kick-off at 2:00pm.

Southern Region League Division 2 as at 22 January 1996

	HOME			AWAY			Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	
SWINDON TOWN	13	12	1	0	85	9	37
Reading Royals	10	9	0	1	51	13	27
Gosport	13	9	0	4	49	29	27
Thame	11	8	1	2	40	16	25
Milton Keynes United	12	4	3	5	23	37	15
Oxford University	9	4	1	4	26	19	13
Basingstoke Town	12	3	0	9	17	60	9
Eastleigh	14	2	0	12	18	88	6
Carterton	12	1	2	9	9	32	5
Leighton Linlade	8	1	0	7	6	41	3

Player Appearances as at 22 January 1996

	Apps	Goals
Kerle Garwood	14	31
Jane Hawkins	1	0
Justine Hume	8	2
Pam Laker	10	5
Nadine Lloyd	14	36
Tracy Mackeddle	4	0
Deb Martin	13	5
Vikki McCann	13	0
Sarah Privett	12	0
Kim Reeves	10	3
Alison Richards	4	0
Jo Sharpe	13	0
Clare Tyson	12	0
Clare Wheeler	12	6
Netti Wyness	13	0

Result:

**Southern Region League - Division Two
Swindon Town 1 Carterton Town 1**

Scorers: Laker

Team: Sharpe, McCann, Privett, Wheeler, Tyson, Reeves, Laker, Hume, Martin, Lloyd, Garwood.

Subs: Richards, Ramsey.

ReservesReview



By Ross MacLaren

Avon Insurance Combination Division 1 Fixtures & Results

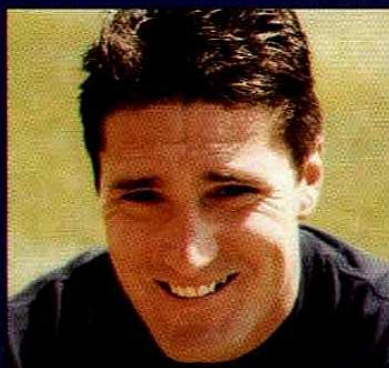
DATE	OPPONENTS	
Mon 14 Aug	LUTON TOWN	H** 1-1
Wed 23 Aug	Norwich City	A 0-6
Mon 26 Aug	OXFORD UNITED	H** 0-0
Wed 06 Sept	Southampton	A 1-4
Mon 11 Sept	ARSENAL	H** 1-1
Mon 18 Sept	Bristol Rovers	A 1-2
Mon 25 Sept	CHELSEA	H** 1-2
Mon 02 Oct	Millwall	A 1-1
Mon 09 Oct	WIMBLEDON	H** 0-0
Mon 16 Oct	TOTTENHAM H.	H** 1-2
Tue 24 Oct	Portsmouth	A 1-1
Mon 30 Oct	Q.P.R.	H** 1-1
Tue 07 Nov	Watford	A 1-2
Mon 13 Nov	CRYSTAL PALACE	H 0-0
Mon 20 Nov	West Ham United	A 0-3
Thu 30 Nov	Bristol City	A 0-1
Wed 20 Dec	Ipswich Town	A 0-1
Wed 03 Jan	Oxford United	A 2-3
Sat 13 Jan	Arsenal	A 0-1
Mon 15 Jan	SOUTHAMPTON	H 0-0
Mon 22 Jan	BRISTOL ROVERS	H 3-1
Tues 30 Jan	Chelsea	A
Mon 05 Feb	MILLWALL	H
Wed 14 Feb	Wimbledon	A
Mon 19 Feb	Tottenham Hotspur	A
Mon 26 Feb	PORTSMOUTH	H
Tue 05 Mar	Q.P.R.	A
Mon 11 Mar	WATFORD	H
Wed 20 Mar	Crystal Palace	A
Mon 25 Mar	WEST HAM UNITED	H
Wed 10 Apr	BRIGHTON & H.A.	H
Wed 17 Apr	Charlton Athletic	A
Mon 22 Apr	IPSWICH TOWN	H
Mon 29 Apr	BRISTOL CITY	H
Wed 01 May	Luton Town	A
TBA	Brighton & Hove Albion	A
TBA	CHARLTON ATH.	H
TBA	NORWICH CITY	H

Home games are played at either the County Ground, Swindon or Witney Town F.C. (games marked*) with both venue and time of kick off subject to change.



Avon Insurance Combination as at 23 January 1996

	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Tottenham Hotspur	22	8	1	3	6	1	1	47	22	50	25
Arsenal	22	7	1	2	5	6	1	44	33	43	21
Wimbledon	23	8	2	3	5	1	4	45	33	42	12
Norwich City	22	7	2	2	5	3	3	45	28	41	17
Crystal Palace	20	3	3	2	7	5	0	26	14	38	12
Queens Park Rangers	20	8	0	2	4	1	5	37	28	37	9
Chelsea	22	5	2	4	5	2	3	33	26	37	7
Southampton	23	5	1	3	3	6	3	38	32	32	5
West Ham United	20	4	3	2	4	1	6	34	32	28	2
Luton Town	20	5	2	4	2	3	4	29	28	26	1
Ipswich Town	17	4	3	3	2	3	2	31	21	24	10
Oxford United	22	3	2	4	3	4	6	33	40	24	-7
Charlton Athletic	18	3	1	3	3	4	4	28	34	23	-6
Bristol City	21	3	1	7	4	1	5	19	29	23	-10
Bristol Rovers	22	4	0	5	3	1	9	32	45	22	-13
Brighton & Hove Alb.	18	5	3	2	0	2	6	18	33	20	-15
Millwall	20	3	5	3	1	1	7	27	41	18	-14
Portsmouth	20	2	5	4	2	1	6	20	40	18	-20
Watford	21	4	0	8	0	3	6	21	39	15	-18
Swindon Town	21	1	7	2	0	2	9	15	33	12	-18



After our slim defeat at Arsenal where we went down by the only goal of the game, we went into our home Avon Insurance Combination game with Southampton full of confidence.

We started the game brightly, passing the ball about well and created several early first-half chances.

Then unfortunately with the referee being a bit free with his distribution of cautions, Alex Smith making his debut was sent off after just 20 minutes for a second bookable offence.

From then on it was going to be uphill all the way with just ten men on the field.

Those who were left were themselves careful to ensure that they did not go the same way in view of some of the official's decisions.

However the lads knuckled down with Southampton playing down

the middle of the pitch, we did not give them the space to get at us with us playing from the wide positions.

We could have snatched all the points for what would have been our first win of the season when Andy Brown, on trial from Leeds United got in behind the Saints defence. With just the keeper to beat he went a bit too far wide and blasted the ball into the side netting. In what was a good performance from the lads.

Reserve Team Appearances as at 22 January 1996

	Apps	Goals
P. ALLEN	1	0
J. BEAUCHAMP	5	0
P. BODIN	2	0
A. BROWN	2	0
P. BRUNO	1	0
S. CAMPBELL	0(1)	0
L. COLLINS	5	0
M. COUPE	1(1)	0
F. DIGBY	3	0
J. DRYSDALE	7	0
A. FINLAYSON	4(5)	0
S. FINNEY	1	1
T. GOODEN	10	3
J. HAINES	2	0
I. HARVEY	3(10)	0
J. HOLLOWAY	17(2)	0
D. HOOPER	14	1
K. HORLOCK	1	0
A. HUGHES	4(2)	0
B. KILCLINE	4	0
J. LAIDLAW	15(4)	3
M. LING	8	0
J. MARKS	2	0
L. MIDDLETON	2(3)	0
S. MILDENHALL	9(3)	0
E. MURRAY	12	0
A. MUTCH	10	3
W. O'SULLIVAN	2	1
G. PEARCE	1(7)	0
J. PITMAN	12	0
M. RAWLINGS	1	0
A. SMITH	2	0
B. SMITH	2	0
R. SOLTER	4(3)	0
F. TALIA	7	0
S. THOMAS	0(3)	0
A. THOMSON	9	0
G. THORNE	15	0
P. THORNE	4	2
J. TONER	1	0
A. VIVEASH	3	0
P. WHARTON	2	0
S. WIMBLE	5(5)	0
C. WOODMAN	1	
S. WOODMAN	0(7)	0
B. WORRALL	13(5)	1

Result:
Avon Insurance Combination
Swindon Town 0 Southampton 0

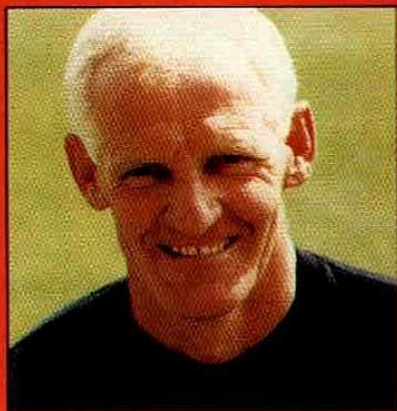
Team: Talia, Marks, Smith A, Murray, Holloway, Thorne G, Pitman, Wharton, Brown, Finney, Gooden. **Subs:** Laidlaw, Worrall, Harvey.

Youth Team Focus



By John Trollope

Following the heavy defeat by Southampton we were able to select the team for the away trip at Tottenham Hotspur from a fully fit squad. Looking to reduce the number of goals we were conceding, we worked on one or two parts of defending in training without taking anything away from our attacking play.



Hopefully we can keep this spirit and even improve on it in our remaining fixtures.

The first half was one of our better team performances with us playing more as a unit as we restricted Spurs to only a few worthwhile attacks.

Steve Mildenhall had very few shots to save in goal.

Being more together we started several attacks from defence. This helped midfield to be involved, being more in touch with the strikers.

Unfortunately after about an hour's play we lost our way and all the old mistakes crept into our game allowing Spurs to come more into the game.

As it was we held out to take a share of the points with a goalless draw.

To keep a clean sheet was pleasing and the more togetherness in the first half of the game gave us more of the ball. If we had maintained this form I felt that we could have gone on and won the game which would have ended a disappointing period for us.

Result:

**South East Counties League
Tottenham Hotspur 0 Swindon Town 0**

Team: Mildenhall, Wheeldon, Souter, Thomas, Pattimore, Hunt, Coupe, Harvey, Finlayson, Woodman S, Wimble. **Subs:** Pearce, Organ, Campbell.



South East Counties League Division 2 Fixtures & Results

DATE	OPPONENTS	
Sat 12 Aug	Barnet	A 1-2
Sat 19 Aug	LUTON TOWN	H 1-3
Sat 26 Aug	Southampton	A 0-2
Sat 02 Sept	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H 1-1
Tue 05 Sept	SHREWSBURY TOWN (MYC 2)	H 2-0
Sat 09 Sept	Bristol Rovers	A 1-0
Sat 16 Sept	BARNET (LC1)	H 4-1
Sat 23 Sept	CRYSTAL PALACE	H 0-4
Tue 26 Sept	Cardiff City (SJFC 1)	A 1-0
Sat 30 Sept	READING	H 1-1
Sat 07 Oct	Colchester United	A 0-2
Sat 14 Oct	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H 2-1
Sat 21 Oct	Oxford United (LC2)	A 1-1
Mon 23 Oct	LEICESTER CITY (MYC Q/F)	H 1-1
Sat 28 Oct	Oxford United (LC 2R)	A 1-3
Tue 31 Oct	Watford (SJFC 2)	A 2-3
Sat 04 Nov	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H 1-1
Sat 11 Nov	Bristol City	A 0-0
Wed 15 Nov	CRYSTAL PALACE (FAYC 2)	H 0-2
Sat 18 Nov	WIMBLEDON	H 4-1
Sat 25 Nov	BRISTOL ROVERS	H 2-1
Sat 02 Dec	Brentford	A 1-2
Wed 13 Dec	Leicester City (MYC Q/F R)	A 2-4
Sat 16 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion	A 1-3
Sat 06 Jan	Luton Town	A 1-3
Sat 13 Jan	SOUTHAMPTON	H 0-6
Sat 20 Jan	Tottenham Hotspur	A 0-0
Sat 03 Feb	Crystal Palace	A
Sat 10 Feb	Reading	A
Sat 17 Feb	COLCHESTER UNITED	H
Sat 24 Feb	Wycombe Wanderers	A
Sat 02 Mar	OXFORD UNITED	H
Sat 09 Mar	AFC Bournemouth	A
Sat 16 Mar	BRISTOL CITY	H
Sat 23 Mar	Wimbledon	A
Sat 30 Mar	BRENTFORD	H
TBA	Oxford United	A
TBA	BRIGHTON & HOVE A.	H
TBA	BARNET	H

All home League games are played at The Allied Dunbar Training Centre, Wanborough kicking off at 11.00am.

South East Counties League Division 2 as at 20 January 1996

	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Crystal Palace	17	7	1	0	6	2	1	52	15	29	37
Wycombe Wanderers	20	5	1	3	5	2	4	31	32	23	-1
Luton Town	18	5	2	3	4	1	3	35	25	21	10
Tottenham Hotspur	19	5	3	1	2	4	4	36	32	21	4
Oxford United	17	4	1	2	5	1	4	33	25	20	8
Brighton & Hove Alb.	17	6	0	4	3	2	2	25	25	20	0
AFC Bournemouth	18	4	2	2	4	2	4	32	34	20	-2
Wimbledon	16	5	1	3	4	0	3	34	21	19	13
Barnet	20	4	3	4	2	4	3	27	26	19	-1
Southampton	18	6	1	3	2	1	5	34	19	18	15
Brentford	19	6	2	3	1	2	5	25	32	18	-7
Bristol City	19	1	5	4	4	1	4	28	32	16	-4
Bristol Rovers	18	3	1	5	2	3	4	23	26	14	-3
Swindon Town	18	3	3	3	1	2	6	17	33	13	-16
Reading	19	4	1	4	1	2	7	21	53	13	-32
Colchester United	19	1	3	3	1	1	10	18	41	8	-23

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The European Championship was the brainchild of Frenchman Henri Delaunay.

As secretary of The French Football Federation, he proposed the tournament in the mid-1950s, but sadly, he passed away before the competition got underway. However, the trophy still bears his name. Then known as the "European Nations Cup," the first tournament almost failed to get off the ground when as the deadline for entries approached, less than the required number of 16 countries had applied. Seventeen eventually made application and the first game of the new competition took place between the Republic of Ireland and Czechoslovakia on 5 April 1958. France was selected as the venue for the Finals of the series, but attendances were disappointing.

Seventeen thousand watched the Final between USSR and Yugoslavia in Paris, the Soviets winning in extra time. The second series was organised on the same home-and-away straight knockout basis as

the first series but, with 29 of the 33 European nations agreeing to compete, it was poised to be the all-encompassing tournament of which Henri Delaunay had dreamed. Spain beat USSR in the Final in Madrid and 120,000 saw them do it.



The "European Nations Cup" competition had its name changed by The UEFA Congress in 1966 to the "European Football Championship" before the third series began and, with an entry of 31 countries, it had clearly established itself as Europe's premier tournament.

England have entered eight of the nine European Championship tournaments and have qualified for the final stages five times. They did not take part in the initial tournament, won by the USSR in 1960 and failed to qualify for the finals in 1964. England achieved their best-ever-placing in 1968, defeating the USSR in the match for third spot. West Germany, the eventual winners, knocked them out in the Quarter-Finals in 1972. An attempt at qualifying foundered four years later as Czechoslovakia, also



tournament winners, topped the group.

After winning seven out of eight qualifiers, England reached the Italian Finals in 1980, but defeat against the hosts in Turin in the second match led to an early exit. Denmark blocked England's path to the 1984 Finals in France. Four years later, the team remained unbeaten in the qualifiers with an impressive 19-1 goals record. But three losses in three games in the German Finals brought them back to earth. England scraped through to the 1992 Finals with a late equalising goal in Poland, but they found goals hard to come by in Sweden - just one in three matches - and were on their way home after the first phase. Now as hosts, England automatically qualify for the Finals. Already seeded to head up Group A they will take up residence at Wembley for all their group games. If



they keep winning they will play all matches at Wembley through to the Final. If England finished second in their group they will play their Quarter-Final at Anfield and any Semi-Final at Old Trafford.

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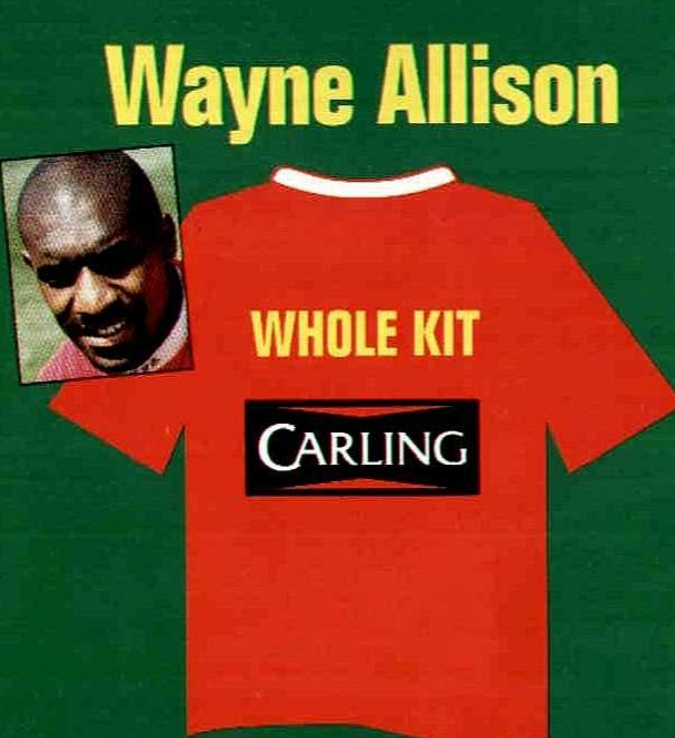
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By Colin Benson

The F.A. Cup is the daddy of them all of course; the original knock-out football competition, the brainchild of C.W. Alcock back in 1872. What a visionary that man was.

From those early beginnings when the Wanderers conquered all - they won five of the first seven finals and conceded just one goal in the process - knock-out competitions have captured the imaginations of players and supporters alike. It is the absolute finality about the scoreline that gives a Cup-tie the edge, the realisation that you have to beat the opposition to stay in the competition. Defeat means sudden death.

English domestic football thrived on the back of the interest and publicity the F.A. Cup generated and much later on in history, in the 1930's Association was introduced to International football in the form of the World Cup.

Twenty years on and European football was given an electrifying boost with the conception of the European Cup which was until recently solely a K.O. competition. From these great tournaments have sprung the European Championship, the European Cup Winners' Cup, UEFA Cup; and of course the various domestic competitions such as the League Cup, the Auto Windscreens Shield and all the other smaller competitions with a silver lining. In Africa, South America, Asia, wherever the game is played, Cup football thrives.

Today we are playing for a place in the fifth round of our own domestic dust-up but last week Terry Venables was busy in Warsaw negotiating the fixtures for England's tough qualifying matches in the 1998 World Cup series.

We are drawn in Group Two alongside Italy, Poland, Georgia and Moldova, a qualifying series that is truly going to question England's credentials.

Agreeing schedules with other countries is never easy and the FA delegation no doubt did the best they could but it really does look tough for whoever Terry's successor is. We kick-off in Moldova on Sunday September 1st 1996 and the following November travel to Georgia.

Poland provide our only home opposition in 1996, they come to Wembley on Wednesday October 9th, which means we have the advantage of three Wembley games in 1997, against Italy on February 12th, Georgia on April 30th and Moldova on September 10th. The crunch is that we have to play the critical final game away in Italy in October.

We definitely will not want to go to Italy needing a win for we have only ever won twice on Italian soil, the last time being in Rome in May 1961. The late Gerry Hitchens scored twice and Jimmy Greaves netted a third in a 3-2 win... It took England's goal tally to 44 in eight games - and Greaves had grabbed 12 of them!

There's no Jimmy Greaves, Bobby Charlton or Johnny Haynes in the current England squad alas - they just don't seem to breed them like that anymore - so it is going to take an exceptional effort for us to improve on our current record of just one win in the last six games against Italy.

We did play them in the World Cup qualifying competition 20 years ago, when Don Revie was in charge of the national side. We lost 2-0 in Rome but then, despite a 2-0 win at Wembley on a highly emotional evening in November 1977 (Keegan and Booking were our scorers), failed to qualify for the Finals in Argentina.

Accounting then for the fact that we are likely to get little change out of Italy in Rome (or wherever) England need desperately to cash in on their trips to Moldova and Georgia and this will not be easy, bearing in mind that both recently beat Wales in the current European Championship qualifying series.

Add to this England's traditional poor performances in September and it is clear that we will be at somewhat of a disadvantage in that opening game. For while Moldova's domestic programme will be in full swing - they like the majority of European countries have a mid-winter break - our lads will have only had three Premiership matches behind them by September 1st.

This could be crucial as only the winner of the group is guaranteed a ticket to France for the Finals in the summer of 1998, though the best runners-up from the nine European groups will also qualify automatically. The remaining eight runners-up will Play-Off for a place in the Finals.



Steve McMahon was in the last England side to play Italy in the World Cup Finals 1990. We lost 2-1 in Bari to finish fourth.

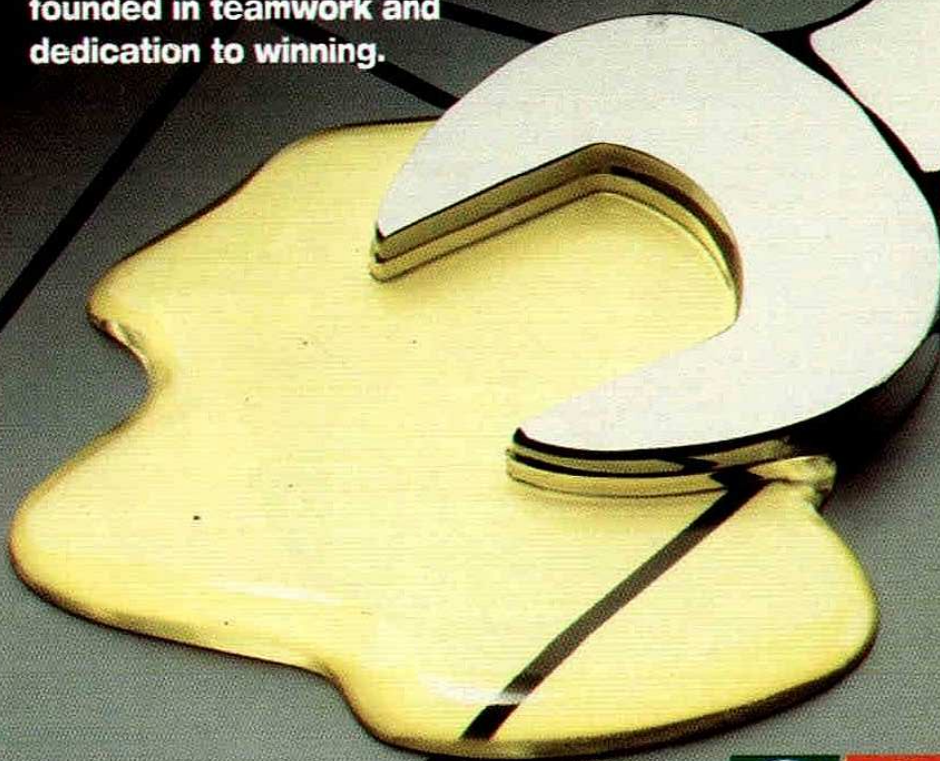
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Until Tuesday night we did not know who our opponents would be today, Oldham and Burslem having had their original replay postponed because of fog at Boundary Park.

Whatever the outcome we knew we were up against First Division opposition this afternoon and we have not been tested at this level this season in any of the competitions so we are really looking forward to the game.

It is always comforting to be drawn at home in the Cup and while this does not guarantee you success it is psychological plus to have your own fans solidly behind you. You will play a big part this afternoon as we test our wits against a side from a higher division.

We have just got to hope that we perform well and I am sure we will and hopefully get a result. There is something really glamorous about the FA Cup and a place in the fifth round would give the whole town a buzz.

It is a break from the League, and all the pressures associated with trying to maintain our position at the top of the Second Division, and this will be a good test for us to see just how we get on against opponents from the division in which we hope to complete every week next season. We keep saying how promotion is our priority, and of course it is, but right now at this very moment success in the fourth round of the FA Cup is all that is occupying our minds.

They are not unknown to us of course. We have met in the League in recent years so we know what they are like and we are looking forward to the challenge. We are obviously the underdogs on this occasion but as they say every dog has his day.

Our 3-0 victory over Hull City last Saturday gave the lads a boost. It was a win we needed with Crewe matching us game for game at the moment. The lads played well and debutant Tony Grant was very impressive. You can see he is Premiership material and he must have a bright future ahead of him at Everton. He will not be able to play today of course but he will give us that little bit extra in the League over the next month.

There is a possibility that I might be fit to play today. I have been told to be patient and am doing the best I can in this respect but I have been doing my stretches regularly and the rehabilitation seems to be going well. It is something you have to take day by day of course. Given that I am fit does not mean I will be selected of course. As I say the lads performed really well last Saturday and I am just striving to get fit again and be available for selection as soon as possible.



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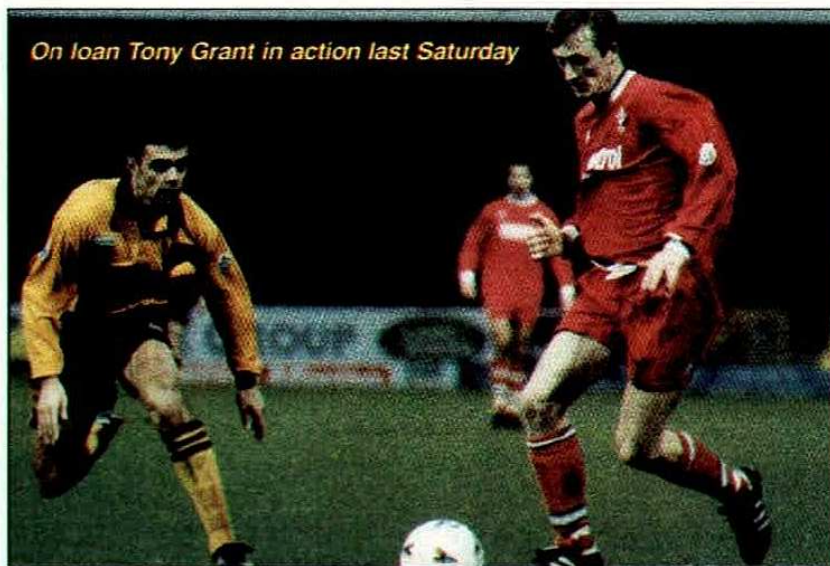
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The U14 squad has been heavily criticised by myself recently on a number of occasions this season and I am delighted to say that they are now beginning to throw that criticism back in my face.

Early on in the season I coached a core of the squad and was disappointed in their skills and application.

I then went over to Oxford to cast my eye over them when they were playing our local rivals in a game situation and came to the conclusion that quite a few of the squad were not up to the standard required for John Trollope's Centre of Excellence.

However in the last few weeks they have improved a great deal with a



super performance against Bristol City.

The boys under Terry Woollen and Andy Bysh went to Bristol and achieved a two-nil victory against all the odds.

Goalkeeper David Rice was called upon to make a string of fine saves

and he was supported by a solid back three in which Lee Wilson was outstanding.

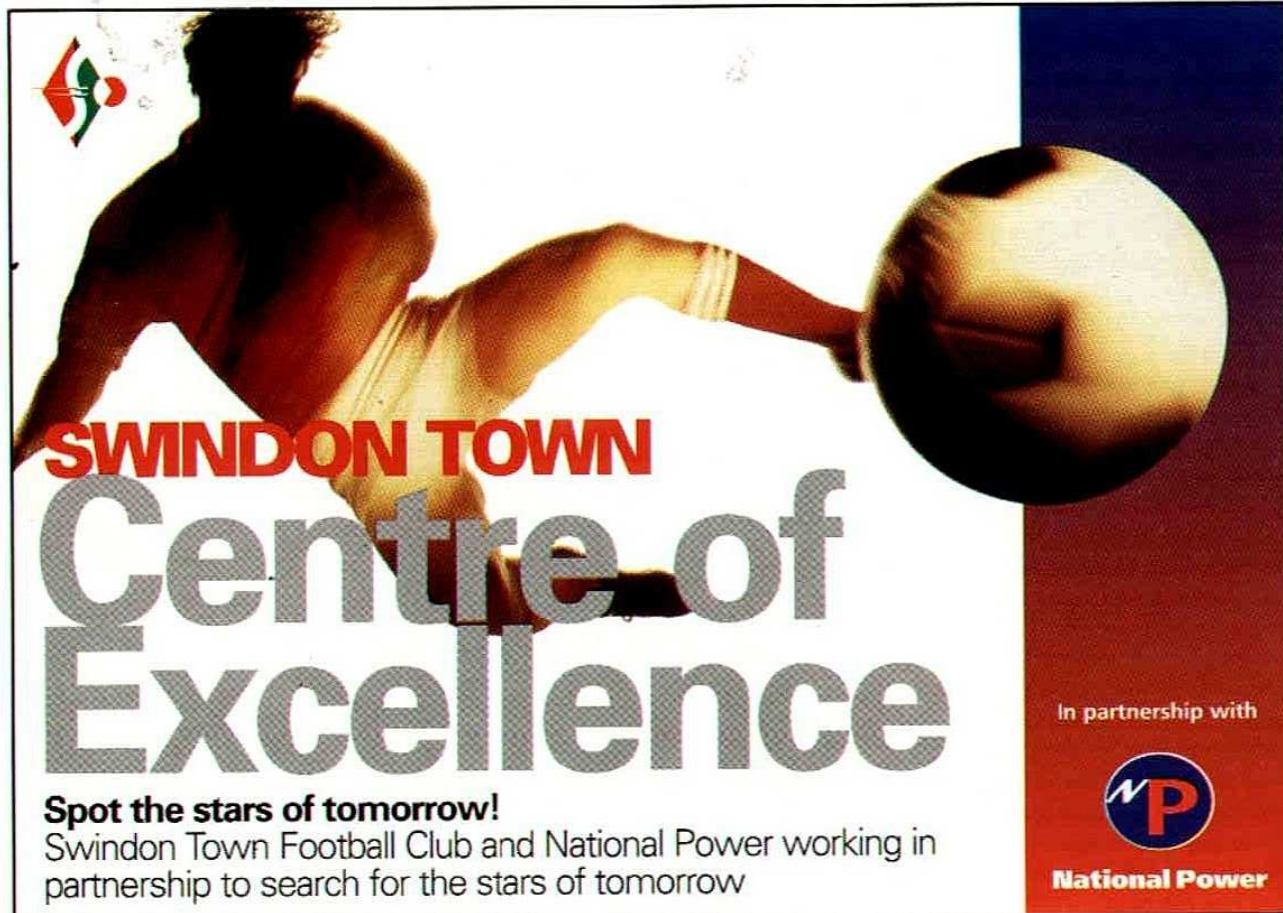
Daniel Pratt put in a stirring midfield performance which helped the two front runners to get about City in the manner I would like. It is good to see that the whole team are now moving in the right direction.

We have introduced new players in the squad with Owen Bryan and James King making a big impression to our set-up.

The boys are learning to adapt to our style of play which is played at all of our Centre of Excellences.

The new faces and the acceptance by the players to listen and learn gives me great pleasure because I know the lads are moving forward in the right direction after some early criticism.

I hope that the boys continue to do well as their fixture at Plymouth Argyle will be a severe test for their new found confidence.




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	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	GD
SWINDON TOWN	25	7	5	1	7	3	2	42	17	50	25
CREWE ALEXANDRA	24	9	2	1	5	3	4	46	26	47	20
BLACKPOOL	25	7	3	2	5	5	3	39	25	44	14
NOTTS COUNTY	23	7	2	3	5	5	1	35	19	43	16
CHESTERFIELD	24	8	3	1	3	4	5	36	25	40	11
BURNLEY	24	7	5	1	3	3	5	39	31	38	8
AFC BOURNEMOUTH	26	8	3	3	3	2	7	32	36	38	-4
WREXHAM	25	6	6	1	2	7	3	36	27	37	9
BRADFORD CITY	26	7	2	3	4	2	8	36	42	37	-6
SHREWSBURY TOWN	26	6	2	5	5	2	6	35	35	37	0
WYCOMBE WANDERERS	25	4	7	1	4	5	4	32	26	36	6
BRISTOL ROVERS	26	4	3	6	5	5	3	30	36	35	-6
WALSALL	24	4	6	2	5	2	5	28	18	35	10
OXFORD UNITED	24	9	1	2	0	6	6	31	27	34	4
STOCKPORT COUNTY	26	3	6	4	5	3	5	32	29	33	3
ROTHERHAM UNITED	26	7	4	3	1	3	8	32	39	31	-7
BRISTOL CITY	27	5	4	4	2	6	6	25	37	31	-12
PETERBOROUGH UNITED	24	4	4	4	2	5	5	34	38	27	-4
CARLISLE UNITED	26	4	5	3	1	5	8	31	40	25	-9
YORK CITY	24	4	3	5	3	1	8	27	39	25	-12
SWANSEA CITY	25	3	6	3	2	3	8	26	42	24	-16
BRENTFORD	24	6	1	5	0	5	7	23	31	24	-8
BRIGHTON & HOVE ALB.	26	3	3	7	3	2	8	23	40	23	-17
HULL CITY	25	1	5	6	1	4	8	18	43	15	-25

First Team Appearances as at 22 January 1996

	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL	
	APPS.	GOALS	APPS.	GOALS	APPS.	GOALS
PAUL ALLEN	11(1)	0	3	1	14(1)	1
WAYNE ALLISON	23	9	9	3	32	12
JOEY BEAUCHAMP	1(3)	0	0(1)	1	1(4)	1
PAUL BODIN	18(2)	2	7	7	25(2)	3
LEE COLLINS	0	0	1	0	1	0
IAN CULVERHOUSE	25	0	8	0	33	0
FRASER DIGBY	15(8)	0	8	0	23(8)	0
JASON DRYSDALE	5(1)	0	3(1)	0	8(2)	0
STEVE FINNEY	19(4)	11	8(2)	4	27(6)	15
SHAY GIVEN	5	0	0	0	5	0
TY GOODEN	6(16)	1	4(4)	1	10(20)	2
TONY GRANT	1	1	0	0	1	1
DEAN HOOPER	0(2)	0	2(2)	0	2(4)	0
KEVIN HORLOCK	22(1)	6	7(3)	3	29(4)	9
MARTIN LING	5(5)	0	4	1	9(5)	1
STEVE McMAHON	20	0	6(2)	0	26(2)	0
STEVE MILDENHALL	0(2)	0	2	0	2(2)	0
EDWIN MURRAY	3(10)	1	2(3)	0	5(13)	1
LUC NIJHOLT	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0(2)	0
WAYNE O'SULLIVAN	21(3)	3	5(3)	0	26(8)	3
JAMIE PITMAN	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0(2)	0
MARK ROBINSON	25	1	8(1)	0	33(1)	1
MARK SEAGRAVES	16	0	8	0	24	0
ALEX SMITH	0(2)	0	0	0	0(2)	0
FRANK TALIA	5(7)	0	0(1)	0	5(8)	0
SHAUN TAYLOR	22	3	10	0	32	3
GARY THORNE	0	0	1(1)	0	1(1)	0
PETER THORNE	6(5)	4	3(4)	1	9(9)	5

Season 1995/96 Fixtures

Opponents	Res
Sat 12 Aug Hull City	A 1-0
Tue 15 Aug Cambridge United (CCC 1-1)	A 1-2
Sat 19 Aug YORK CITY	H 3-0
Wed 23 Aug CAMBRIDGE UTD (CCC 1-2)	H 2-0
Sat 26 Aug Carlisle United	A 1-0
Wed 30 Aug OXFORD UNITED	H 1-1
Sat 02 Sept Brentford	A 2-0
Sat 09 Sept CHESTERFIELD	H 1-1
Wed 13 Sept BRADFORD CITY	H 4-1
Sat 16 Sept Bristol Rovers	A 4-1
Wed 20 Sept BLACKBURN ROVERS (CCC 2-1)	H 2-3
Sat 23 Sept ROTHERHAM UNITED	H 1-0
Sat 30 Sept Wrexham	A 3-1
Wed 04 Oct Blackburn Rovers (CCC 2-2)	A 0-2
Sat 07 Oct BRISTOL CITY	H 2-0
Sat 14 Oct Brighton & Hove Albion	A 3-1
Tue 17 Oct Torquay United (AWS 1-1)	A 1-1
Sat 21 Oct CREWE ALEXANDRA	H 2-1
Sat 28 Oct Notts County	A 3-1
Tue 31 Oct AFC Bournemouth	A 0-0
Sat 04 Nov BLACKPOOL	H 1-1
Wed 08 Nov COLCHESTER UNITED (AWS 1-2)	H 2-0
Sat 11 Nov CAMBRIDGE UNITED (FAC 1)	H 4-1
Sat 18 Nov Stockport County	A 1-1
Sat 25 Nov SHREWSBURY TOWN	H 0-1
Wed 29 Nov HEREFORD UNITED (AWS 2)	H 0-1
Sat 02 Dec CARDIFF CITY (FAC 2)	H 2-0
Sat 09 Dec Rotherham United	A 2-0
Sat 16 Dec WREXHAM	H 1-1
Sat 23 Dec Walsall	A 0-0
Tue 26 Dec WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H 0-0
Sat 06 Jan WOKING (FAC 3)	H 2-0
Wed 10 Jan SWANSEA CITY	H 3-0
Sat 13 Jan York City	A 0-2
Sat 20 Jan HULL CITY	H 3-0
Sat 27 Jan OLDHAM ATHLETIC (FAC 4)	H
Sat 03 Feb CARLISLE UNITED	H
Tue 06 Feb Peterborough United	A
Sat 10 Feb Swansea City	A
Wed 14 Feb BURNLEY	H
Sat 17 Feb Bradford City	A
Wed 21 Feb BRENTFORD	H
Sat 24 Feb BRISTOL ROVERS	H
Tue 27 Feb Chesterfield	A
Sat 02 Mar Wycombe Wanderers	A
Tue 05 Mar Oxford United	A
Sat 09 Mar WALSALL	H
Sat 16 Mar Burnley	A
Sat 23 Mar PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H
Sat 30 Mar Bristol City	A
Wed 03 Apr BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H
Sat 06 Apr NOTTS COUNTY	H
Mon 08 Apr Crewe Alexandra	A
Sat 13 Apr AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H
Sat 20 Apr Blackpool	A
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995/96 Fixtures

Endsleigh League Division 2 as at 05 February 1996

	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	GD
SWINDON TOWN	26	8	5	1	7	3	2	44	18	53	26
CREWE ALEXANDRA	25	9	2	1	5	3	5	47	28	47	19
NOTTS COUNTY	24	8	2	3	5	5	1	36	19	46	17
BLACKPOOL	26	7	4	2	5	5	3	40	26	45	14
CHESTERFIELD	25	9	3	1	3	4	5	39	27	43	12
BRADFORD CITY	28	8	2	3	4	3	8	39	44	41	-5
WYCOMBE WANDERERS	27	4	7	1	5	5	5	35	29	39	6
BURNLEY	26	7	5	2	3	3	6	39	34	38	5
WREXHAM	26	6	6	1	2	8	3	38	29	38	9
SHREWSBURY TOWN	27	6	3	5	5	2	6	36	36	38	0
AFC BOURNEMOUTH	27	8	3	4	3	2	7	34	39	38	-5
BRISTOL ROVERS	27	5	3	6	5	5	3	32	36	38	-4
OXFORD UNITED	26	9	1	2	1	6	7	33	28	37	5
WALSALL	25	4	6	2	5	2	6	28	20	35	8
ROTHERHAM UNITED	27	8	4	3	1	3	8	33	39	34	-6
STOCKPORT COUNTY	26	3	6	4	5	3	5	32	29	33	3
BRISTOL CITY	27	5	4	4	2	6	6	25	37	31	-12
BRENTFORD	26	8	1	5	0	5	7	25	31	30	-6
PETERBOROUGH UNITED	25	4	4	4	2	5	6	34	39	27	-5
CARLISLE UNITED	27	4	5	3	1	5	9	32	42	25	-10
YORK CITY	24	4	3	5	3	1	8	27	39	25	-12
SWANSEA CITY	26	3	6	3	2	3	9	28	45	24	-17
BRIGHTON & HOVE ALB.	27	3	4	7	3	2	8	25	42	24	-17
HULL CITY	26	1	5	6	1	5	8	19	44	16	-25

First Team Appearances as at 05 February 1996

	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL	
	APPS.	GOALS	APPS.	GOALS	APPS.	GOALS
PAUL ALLEN	11(1)	0	3	1	14(1)	1
WAYNE ALLISON	24	10	9	3	33	13
JOEY BEAUCHAMP	1(3)	0	0(1)	1	1(4)	1
PAUL BODIN	19(2)	2	7	7	26(2)	3
LEE COLLINS	0	0	1	0	1	0
IAN CULVERHOUSE	26	0	8	0	34	0
FRASER DIGBY	16(8)	0	8	0	24(8)	0
JASON DRYSDALE	5(2)	0	3(1)	0	8(3)	0
STEVE FINNEY	19(5)	11	8(2)	4	27(7)	15
SHAY GIVEN	5	0	0	0	5	0
TY GOODEN	7(16)	1	4(4)	1	11(20)	2
TONY GRANT	2	1	0	0	2	1
DEAN HOOPER	0(2)	0	2(2)	0	2(4)	0
KEVIN HORLOCK	23(1)	6	7(3)	3	30(4)	9
MARTIN LING	6(5)	0	4	1	10(5)	1
STEVE McMAHON	20	0	6(2)	0	26(2)	0
STEVE MILDENHALL	0(2)	0	2	0	2(2)	0
EDWIN MURRAY	3(10)	1	2(3)	0	5(13)	1
LUC NIJHOLT	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0(2)	0
WAYNE O'SULLIVAN	21(4)	3	5(3)	0	26(9)	3
JAMIE PITMAN	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0(2)	0
MARK ROBINSON	26	1	8(1)	0	34(1)	1
MARK SEAGRAVES	16	0	8	0	24	0
ALEX SMITH	0(2)	0	0	0	0(2)	0
FRANK TALLA	5(7)	0	0(1)	0	5(8)	0
SHAUN TAYLOR	23	3	10	0	33	3
GARY THORNE	0	0	1(1)	0	1(1)	0
PETER THORNE	7(5)	5	3(4)	1	10(9)	6

Season 1995/96 Fixtures

Opponents	Res	Att.
Sat 12 Aug Hull City	A 1-0	6,525
Tue 15 Aug Cambridge United (CCC 1-1)	A 1-2	2,530
Sat 19 Aug YORK CITY	H 3-0	7,746
Wed 23 Aug CAMBRIDGE UTD (CCC 1-2)	H 2-0	6,724
Sat 26 Aug Carlisle United	A 1-0	6,325
Wed 30 Aug OXFORD UNITED	H 1-1	13,041
Sat 02 Sept Brentford	A 2-0	7,878
Sat 09 Sept CHESTERFIELD	H 1-1	8,687
Wed 13 Sept BRADFORD CITY	H 4-1	8,203
Sat 16 Sept Bristol Rovers	A 4-1	7,205
Wed 20 Sept BLACKBURN ROVERS (CCC 2-1)	H 2-3	14,740
Sat 23 Sept ROTHERHAM UNITED	H 1-0	8,473
Sat 30 Sept Wrexham	A 3-4	4,296
Wed 04 Oct Blackburn Rovers (CCC 2-2)	A 2-0	16,924
Sat 07 Oct BRISTOL CITY	H 2-0	11,797
Sat 14 Oct Brighton & Hove Albion	A 3-1	7,808
Tue 17 Oct Torquay United (AWS 1-1)	A 1-1	1,135
Sat 21 Oct CREWE ALEXANDRA	H 2-1	12,633
Sat 28 Oct Notts County	A 3-1	8,725
Tue 31 Oct AFC Bournemouth	A 0-0	6,352
Sat 04 Nov BLACKPOOL	H 1-1	12,470
Wed 08 Nov COLCHESTER UNITED (AWS 1-2)	H 2-0	6,222
Sat 11 Nov CAMBRIDGE UNITED (FAC 1)	H 4-1	7,383
Sat 18 Nov Stockport County	A 1-1	7,196
Sat 25 Nov SHREWSBURY TOWN	H 0-1	9,306
Wed 29 Nov HEREFORD UNITED (AWS 2)	H 0-1	6,650
Sat 02 Dec CARDIFF CITY (FAC 2)	H 2-0	8,274
Sat 09 Dec Rotherham United	A 2-0	3,042
Sat 16 Dec WREXHAM	H 1-1	8,418
Sat 23 Dec Walsall	A 0-0	5,624
Tue 26 Dec WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H 0-0	12,976
Sat 06 Jan WOKING (FAC 3)	H 2-0	10,322
Wed 10 Jan SWANSEA CITY	H 3-0	6,555
Sat 13 Jan York City	A 0-2	3,613
Sat 20 Jan HULL CITY	H 3-0	8,118
Sat 03 Feb CARLISLE UNITED	H 2-1	8,242
Wed 07 Feb OLDHAM ATHLETIC (FAC 4)	H	
Sat 10 Feb Swansea City	A	
Wed 14 Feb BURNLEY	H	
Sat 17 Feb Bradford City	A	
Wed 21 Feb BRENTFORD	H	
Sat 24 Feb BRISTOL ROVERS	H	
Tue 27 Feb Chesterfield	A	
Sat 02 Mar Wycombe Wanderers	A	
Tue 05 Mar Peterborough United	A	
Sat 09 Mar WALSALL	H	
Sat 16 Mar Burnley	A	
Tue 19 Mar Oxford United	A	
Sat 23 Mar PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H	
Sat 30 Mar Bristol City	A	
Wed 03 Apr BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H	
Sat 06 Apr NOTTS COUNTY	H	
Mon 08 Apr Crewe Alexandra	A	
Sat 13 Apr AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	
Sat 20 Apr Blackpool	A	
Sat 27 Apr Shrewsbury Town	A	
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Team Sheet



Swindon Town

1	Fraser Digby
2	Ian Culverhouse
3	Paul Bodin
4	Ty Gooden
5	Martin Ling
6	Shaun Taylor
7	Mark Robinson
8	Wayne O'Sullivan
9	Peter Thorne
10	Wayne Allison
11	Kevin Horlock
12	Steve Finney
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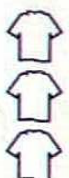
Team Changes



Oldham Athletic

1	Paul Gerrard
2	Chris Makin
3	Carl Serrant
4	Andrew Hughes
5	Richard Graham
6	Steve Redmond
7	Gunnar Halle
8	Toddy Orylgsson
9	Darren Beckford
10	Stuart Barlow
11	Mark Brennan
12	Paul Rickers
13	Jon Hallworth
14	Sean McCarthy

Team Changes



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Referee:

P.S. Danson (Blaby, Leicestershire)



Linesman (red/yellow flag):

B.M. Rice (Wyre Piddle, Wiltshire)



Linesman (yellow flag):

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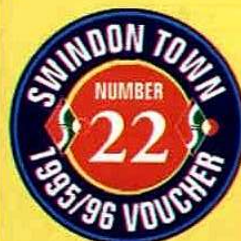
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