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Looking for a

Today we welcome Steve McMahon, a former colleague of mine at Aston Villa, and his Swindon Town team to The Valley for this afternoons game. Swindon have had a comfortable start to the season, following promotion, and have settled down into a useful league position. Looking at ourselves after playing 20 league games we are very disappointed at our position and our points total. We know it could and should be better, because either we have let games slip by lack of finishing, or we have let teams off the hook and not finished them off when the opportunity has arisen.

ur last two home games against Bradford and Grimsby left a bitter taste in the mouth. We went into the Bradford game after winning three matches in succession, but we committed suicide in football terms in both games, and really came down to earth with a bang. After the Bradford defeat we had a chance a few days later to rescue the position against Grimsby, but once again we huffed and puffed and didn't take our chances early on. But at 1-1, their second goal, which we thought was well offside, turned the game. We then went on to exert tremendous pressure, but missed more chances and they hit us on the break to score again and send us to a 3-1 defeat.

We-took stock of ourselves and went up to Oxford last Saturday, where we set about the task in a much more professional and deliberate manner, and came out of the game winning 2-0, with excellent goals from Anthony Barness and David Whyte, and it could have been more.

We then went off to Stoke on Wednesday night and felt we had a great chance of winning if we produced a similar performance. For 49 minutes we defended very

soundly but really never got going attack wise - but then one mistake. the only one we made all night cost us the goal, from the first of Stoke's only two strikes of the evening - and we were beaten.

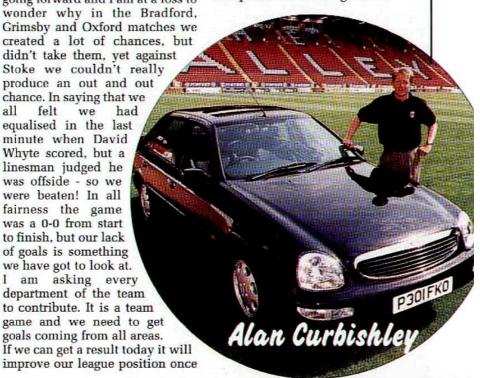
DISAPPOINTED

Certainly we did not do enough going forward and I am at a loss to wonder why in the Bradford, Grimsby and Oxford matches we created a lot of chances, but didn't take them, yet against Stoke we couldn't really produce an out and out chance. In saying that we felt we had equalised in the last minute when David Whyte scored, but a linesman judged he was offside - so we were beaten! In all fairness the game was a 0-0 from start to finish, but our lack of goals is something we have got to look at. am asking every department of the team to contribute. It is a team game and we need to get goals coming from all areas. If we can get a result today it will

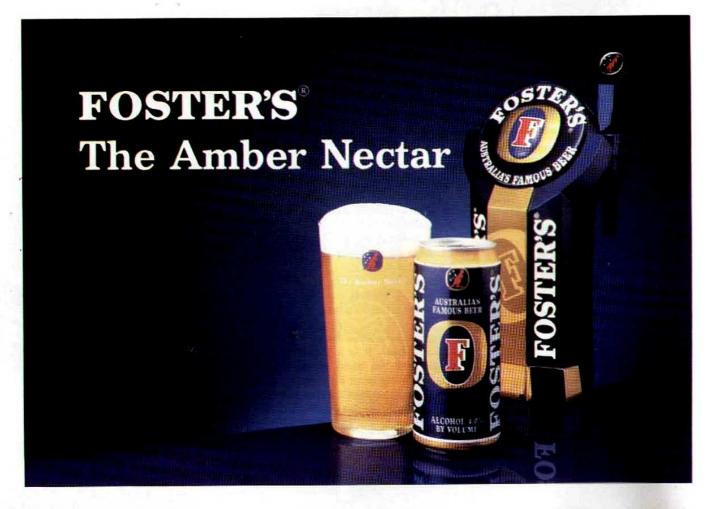
again, and that's why we are disappointed with inconsistent results in recent matches, as a couple more wins would have elevated us into a top position.

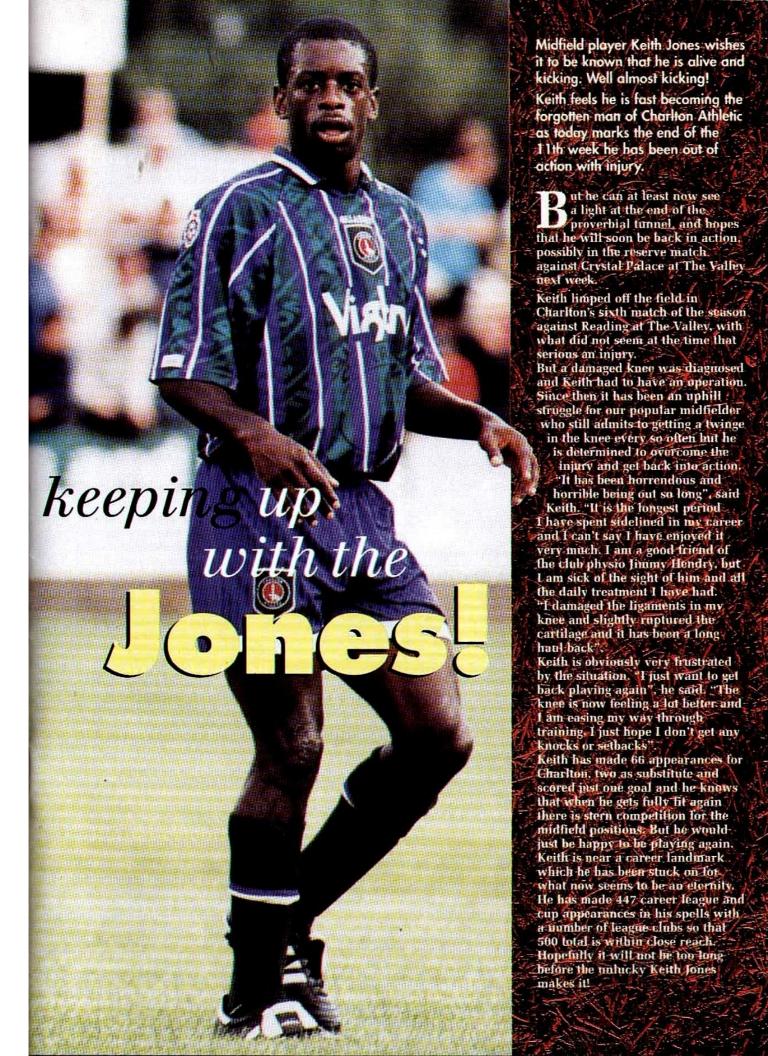
Just a word of congratulation to the youth team, under the guidance of Terry Westley, who are going along very nicely in cup competitions. They progressed to the third round of the FA Youth Cup with a win over Brentford at The Valley on Monday and next Tuesday at Plough Lane they play Crystal Palace in the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup.

Keep up your support for the team this afternoon and hopefully we can produce a winning result.











Skipper Brendan

Midfielder Brendan O'Connell, who has made a big impact in the team since his summer move from Barnsley, and recently scored his first goal for the club, took over as skipper of the side in Saturday's match at Oxford United. He was Charlton's fourth captain this season following in the footsteps of Richard Rufus, Stuart Balmer, and Phil Chapple. Like his midfield partner, Mark Kinsella, Brendan is a Republic of Ireland Under-21 international and is playing well enough to be considered for a place in the full squad. Captaining a side is. nothing knew to Brendan who often skippered Barnsley in his time at Oakwell. "I was slightly surprised to be given the captains armband", said Brendan, "but it is obviously an honour and I was delighted to do the job. We managed to get back on course with a win, which we needed so that made it a happy day for me".

Brendan has all the qualities to be a good captain with his enthusiasm and commitment evident for all to see. "He leads by example on the field", said Charlton coach Les Reed.



Skipper Brendan O'Connell

Next Matches

The first team are at home again next Saturday, December 14 when Port Vale will be visitors to The Valley. This game is followed by two away matches against Crystal Palace at Selhurst Park, on Saturday, December 21 and Southend United at Roots Hall on Boxing Day, December 26 kick off 12 noon. Then follow two attractive home fixtures with Wolves at The Valley on Saturday, December 28 and Ipswich at The Valley on New Years Day, January 1. Both games kick off at 3p.m.

Awayday Special!

Charlton Athletic have been named as the winners of the Yokohama Tyres "Best Performance on the road" award for November.

the award is made each month to the First Division club deemed to have produced the most outstanding away result during games played in that month, and the November award will be coming to The Valley. Yokohama Tyres are one of the Football League's official suppliers, and began making this award last season. In fact we were the first winners, with the judges selecting Charlton after our outstanding 5-4 win over Wimbledon in the Coca Cola Cup last September. In November our away form was the best in the division, with three wins from three games at Norwich, Queens Park Rangers and Oxford United, but the judges felt that our 2-1 success at Carrow Road, where

Norwich had not been

beaten all season, was the



Bradley Allen, goalscorer at Norwich

best of the three. Our win came courtesy of an excellent display, and goals from Bradley Allen and Mark Kinsella. Apart from Norwich's home form, the judges felt that as the victory followed seven successive away League defeats, there could be no more impressive away performance in the month, despite excellent wins for Birmingham at Wolves, Bradford at The Valley, and Wolves at Crystal Palace. The club will receive the award prior to the match with Port Vale next Saturday, and as well as the trophy, a set of football kit will be given to the club to present to the junior team of our choice.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR OPENING HOURS

Monday, December 23 Normal hours.

Tuesday, December 24 Closed except for reception, shop and box office (10a.m. to 1p.m.).

Wednesday December 25 Christmas Day, Closed.

Thursday, December 26 Boxing Day, Southend away. Closed. Friday December 27 Normal hours.

Saturday, December 28 Wolverhampton Wanderers kick off 3p.m.

Monday December 30 Normal hours. Tuesday, December 31 Close at 1p.m. Wednesday, January 1 Ipswich Town kick off 3p.m.

Thursday January 2 Normal hours Friday January 3 Normal hours

Saturday January 4 FA Cup third round (draw to be made on Monday)

ECHOES SHORTS

International training

Charlton's two young stars Kevin Nicholls and Kevin Lisbie have both been selected for an England Under 18's get together at Lilleshall next week from December 8 to

Both of them have already been in the England Under 18's Squad, but they may have to miss the training session as they will be required for the colts Southern Junior Floodlit Cup game against Crystal Palace at Plough Lane on Tuesday evening.

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Robbo makes it 150

Charlton's Welsh international winger John Robinson is set to make his 150th league and cup appearance for Charlton this afternoon in the match against Swindon Town. If he played at Stoke on Wednesday night it will have been John's 149th full appearance, with nine as substitute, and he had scored 17 goals, although he went into Wednesday's game still looking for his first league goal of the season. John will be missing from the Charlton side that takes on

Port Vale at The Valley next

Saturday because he will be



John Robinson

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in the Wales squad playing Turkey in Cardiff that weekend. As there are no England games we will not be able to call off the Port Vale match.

Another Charlton player to reach a landmark this week was defender Phil Chapple who was playing the 350th league and cup match of his career at Stoke on Wednesday night.

: MARK BACK

It was good to see Mark Robson back in action again after his lengthy injury lay off when he came on as substitute against Grimsby Town at The Valley

 recently.
 It was Mark's first appearance of the season following a hernia operation and he was substitute again at Oxford last Saturday, although he did not get on the

A number of players are still out injured including Bradley Allen, Stuart Balmer, Paul Mortimer, Keith Jones, Paul Linger and colts keeper Tony Kessell. Bradley has a foot ligament injury which
has been very tender and kept him out of
recent games. Paul Mortimer has also
had problems with a ligament at the back
of the knee, whilst Stuart Balmer has pulled a muscle in his left leg. Keith Jones (see feature on page 5) is back in light training following his knee operation, as is Paul Linger following his broken leg and both may be able to play for the reserves shortly. Tony Kessell ruptured a calf muscle in a recent game for the colts.



Mark Robson

Garry pays a visit

Former Charlton favourite, Garry Nelson, was a spectator at Charlton reserves match with Oxford United at Welling's ground last week, keeping an eye out for new players.

Garry is currently coach of Third Division Torquay United and was accompanied by the club's chief coach Kevin Hodges.

Another former Charlton coach was also at the game - the new Leyton Orient boss Tommy Taylor - who recently joined the East London club from Cambridge United.

One of the first things Tommy did when he moved to the O's was to sign former Charlton player Scott McGleish from Peterborough, having had him on loan at the Abbey Stadium.

Barney celebrates first

Full back Anthony Barness celebrated his first Charlton goal of the season, and his first since his return to the club from Chelsea. when he scored the first of our two strikes against Oxford United at the Manor Ground

Barney went surging forward just after half time, received the perfect through ball from David Whyte, and crashed the ball into the

"I enjoyed that", he said "It was such a good run. Whytic had to give me the ball!", he said.

Anthony scored two goals for Charlton in his first spell at the club. A corker against Newcastle at St James Park, and one against Millwall in the Anglo Italian Cup at The Den.



Anthony Barness celebrates his goal at Oxford



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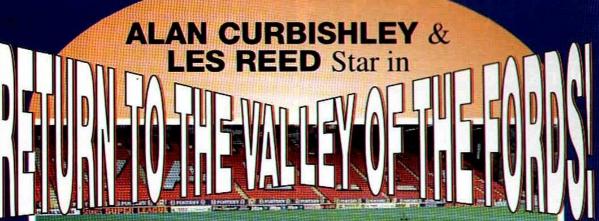
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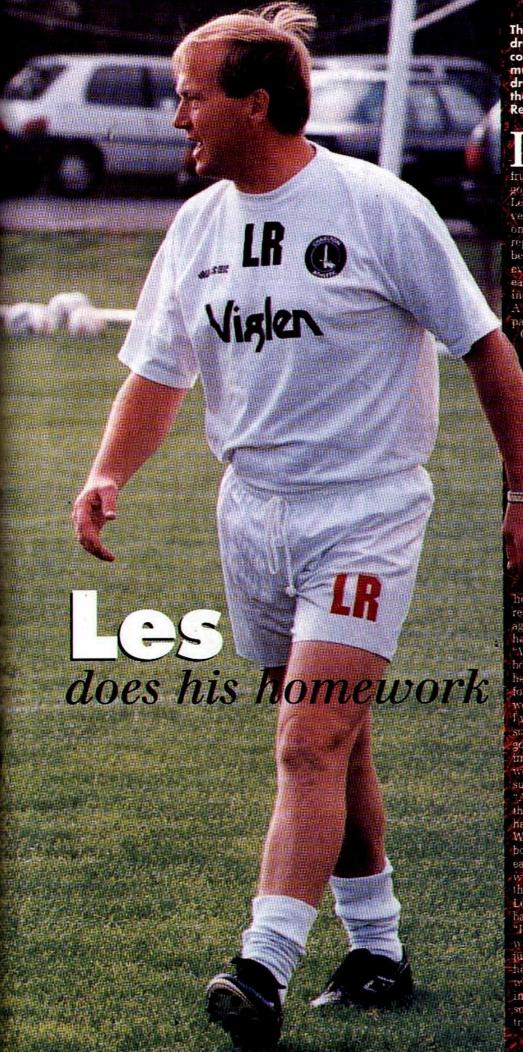




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OPENING TIMES

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8.30am-7.00pm, SATURDAY 9.00am-5.00pm, SUNDAY 10.00am-3.00pm



The walls of the Charlton Athletic dressing room at matches are covered by their own special murals. There are diagrams, drawings, pointed messages - all the work of first team coach Les Reed.

es certainly does his homework as far as the opposition is concerned so it is easy to understand his frustration when all his best laid plans go wrong and the team loses a match Les and manager Alan Curbishley are very thorough in building up a dossier on their opponents with scouting reports sent in with the team having been watched the previous week, with everything it is possible to know about each player and how the team plays included.

A video of games is also an essential part of the coaches armoury, and the Charlton players often watch their performances in matches, especially when the result does not go well. But it is out on the training field that the real work is done with Alan, Les and Keith Peacock covering every aspect possible in the quest to get a successful consistent team.

After the two fecent home defeats against Bradford and Grimsby the team went back to learning basics again and it paid dividends with the victory over Oxford last.

Saturday.

"After those two results I was pleased with the way things went and all the hard work

paid off", said Les we spent hours sorting (hings out and the lads realised that the way they played against Oxford was the way it should have been in the two home games. "We had to repel an aerial bombardment from Oxford after they had to the bombardment from Oxford after they

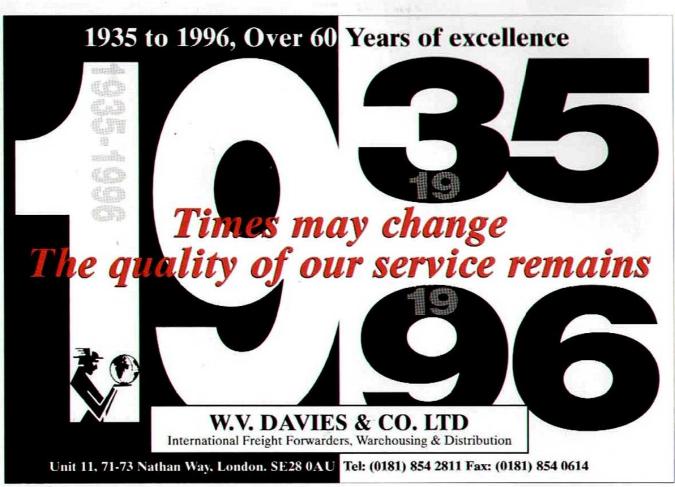
hed fallen behind and it was a good test for everyone which they came through well.

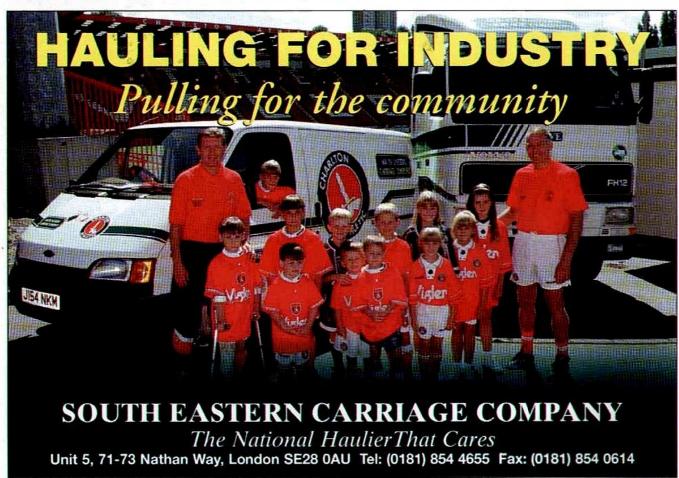
Twas pleased we played sunsitely and

I was pleased we played sensibly and scored from open-play and the two goals were taken well. It was a vitally important win for us and crucial that we did not lose three games in succession.

"A few home truths came out after those two defeats and there was a lot of hard work put in by everybody."
Whether Charlton win or lose it is a bonus for Les who had a real scare earlier in the season when he collapsed with a brain hemorrhage, which thankfully did not prove too serious. Les was off for a few weeks and is now back to full health.

I must admit at one stage I thought I was going to die", he said, so now I just enjoy being out training and hopefully getting through to the players what Alan and myself want from them in a game. Sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't but we keep trying!





Great success

ast Saturday saw over 300 boys and girls from the London area enjoying a day of soccer skills and tournaments at Greenwich Park. Organised by the Boys Federation Club and hosted by Charlton Athletic, West Ham United and Chelsea Football Clubs, the day was a great success. The organiser Joe Long said: It was great to see three such high profile clubs come together to offer the children of London such an enjoyable day. Many thanks must go to all the coaches who put so much time, commitment and enthusiasm into the day". This has been the fourth successive year this initiative has taken place and it was such a great one that we look forward to the next one.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

This years Christmas Party will be held at Crook Log Sports Centre, Bexleyheath, on Monday, December 23

from 10a.m. until 3p.m. Cost £8.

All children attending the party will receive coaching/fun and games in the morning, Christmas Party lunch, and small sided tournaments in the afternoon.



For more details phone Phil in the Community Office

CHARLTON CHALLENGE

Charlton's very own super skills award scheme is now two years old with over 350 children aged between five



and 15 attending on a weekly basis. The next Charlton Challenge will commence at Crook Log and Erith Sports Centre on January 6, 1997. To reserve yourself a place

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy 50th birthday to Jackie Monahan from all the boys at the Community Scheme. Jackie is the former secretary at the training ground.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Adam
Welehan and Anil Sankoli who
are our two winners from our
Bookworm competition. Part of
the Bexley Library initiative to
encourage young children to
read, the Community Scheme
visited Blackfen Library, and
gave a talk to the young children
of the area.

The task was to read and review a football book which they both did extremely well. Amil read "Winning Goal" written by Michael Hardcastle and Adam wrote about a book he read called "Liverpool From the Inside" by Stan Liversedge and wrote all about his favourite player Steve McManaman. Here are the two winning entries.

Liverpool from the Inside

by Stan Liversedge

My best player is Steve
McManaman. They have won
lots of trophies and medals.
Their manager Roy Evans makes
them do skills every day so they
can be the best
Football stadiums became safer
after Hillsborough where 96
Liverpool fans died.
I want to be as good as Steve

McManaman. The end

Adam Whelehan aged six 53, Roseberry Avenue, Sidcup, Kent.

Winning Goal

by Michael Hardcastle

Who said girls can't play football. Because the book I read is all about a girls football team who are very good. They play in a Sunday League and can beat a bunch of boys. I thought this book was interesting.

Anil Sankoli aged eight
59 Harman Drive
Sidcup, Kent.



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Thanks to our sponsors...

Shaun Newton had a busy day when we played Bradford recently. Apart from picking up his Goal of the Season trophy, he was also named Man of the Match, by our match sponsors - and shirt sponsors, Viglen. It was his second award in four days, following his MOM against Birmingham, and he moves into second place behind John Robinson in the Fosters MOM table.



Shaun Newton receives his Man of the Match award from Viglen's June Stokes

NEWTS GOES FOR THE DOUBLE!

Shaun Newton collected his Goal of the Season award at our recent game against Bradford City, and promptly informed us that he was going for the award again this year!

Shaun collected his bronze boot for his magnificent volley against Huddersfield at The Valley last season, and hopes that his equally spectacular volley against Liverpool at Anfield a couple of weeks ago will be in the running for this season's award!

However, after Gary Poole's debut goal at QPR, Mark Kinsella's volley at Norwich, and Jamie Stuart's early strike against Southend earlier this term, he may have some stiff competition.



Competition winner Paul Gafa from Thamesmead presents Shaun with his 1995/96 Goal of the Season trophy

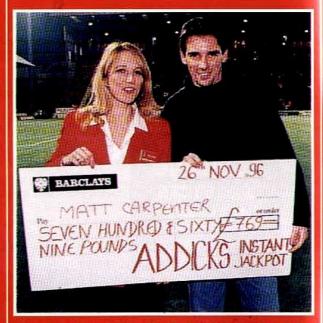


Matchball sponsors Bailey Associates present the ball to referee Fraser Stretton before the Bradford game

Matt finish!

Our last home game against Grimsby was a far from pleasant experience for the majority of the crowd that night, but among Charlton fans, Matt Carpenter had something to smile about as he pocketed the Addicks Instant Jackpot of £769 on the night.

Matt bought his ticket before the game in the East Stand, and just over a hour later, he had collected his cheque for £769, as well as having his picture taken with the lovely Terrie! Lucky Matt we say!



Matt Carpenter collects his Jackpot cheque for £769 at the Grimsby game

DAVIDYS GRAND DAY!

There were no prizes for guessing who had the broadest smile at our game with Bradford a couple of weeks ago - it was our Valley Gold winner David Harrison, who collected his prize cheque for £20,000.

David's number was picked out by Charlie Wright at the Bolton game in our annual grand draw, and he came along with his wife Sharon to collect his cheque at the Bradford match.



David and Sharon Harrison collect their £20,000 Valley Gold prize from chairman Martin Simons

Even tough it wasn't a particularly good day on the pitch, David and Sharon still had a pleasant afternoon - no surprise really! Don't forget, now that Christmas is approaching, that you can save considerable sums of money on your Christmas shopping by using Valley Gold vouchers. Valley Gold vouchers are can be used at a variety of stores, both local and national, so give Sue a call on 0181 333 4020, before it's too late.

Welcome

It is always a pleasure to welcome the lads from the Gas when they visit The Valley, and today is no exception. However, today is even more special, because our match sponsor this afternoon, although he probably didn't realise it until he saw the programme, is an old friend of mine, Paul Coleman.

Paul was in the same class as me at school for six years, although he actually spent most of his time hanging around the entrance to the girls school up the road!

Now he's 'something in the city' and I'd like to welcome him, along with Tim and all their other guests to The Valley this afternoon, and hope they enjoy their day.

Our matchball sponsors this afternoon are Active Entertainment, and I would like to welcome Matthew Lewis and his guests. The company organise active hospitality for corporate clients, including regular five-s-side football tournaments, and this is their first visit to The Valley as one of our matchday sponsors.

Last, but not least, may I welcome our programme sponsor John Power, who today celebrates his 50th anniversary of becoming a Charlton fan. His first visit to The Valley was on 7th December 1946, for the visit of Derby, a match we lost 4-2. One of the Charlton players that day, Les Fell, will be among John's guests today, and we wish them all a great afternoon here at The Valley.



Valley Gold winners

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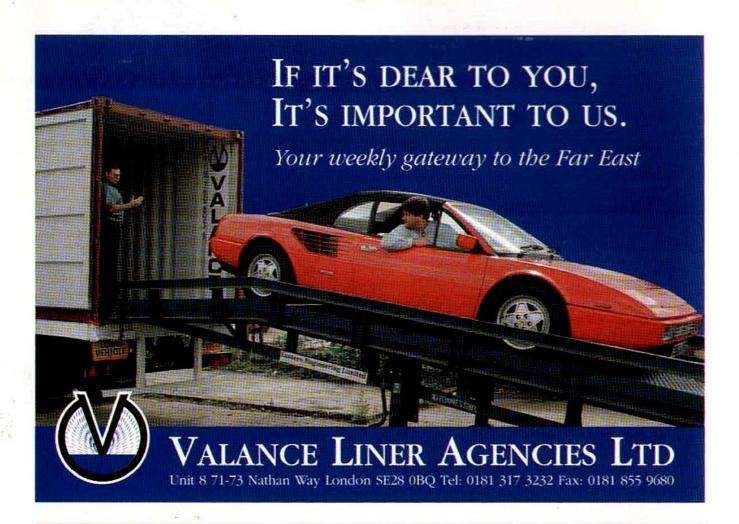


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Points taken!

The reserves gained their first Avon Insurance League points of the season on Wednesday last week when they beat Oxford United 2-1 to record their first league win of the season.

The victory even took Charlton off the bottom of the table as they moved above Bristol Rovers on goal difference.

With seven teams being relegated this season Charlton still have a long way to go in their bid to pick up points but this was a very satisfactory result.

The match was Oxford's home game, but was in fact played at Welling United's ground, which possibly gave Charlton a slight



Mark Robson in action against Oxford in the reserve game at Welling last week.

advantage over their opponents. In a good end-to-end game, Charlton took the lead after 22 minutes through Kevin Lisbie who scored after Dwayne Minors shot had been stopped by goalkeeper Elliott Jackson. Charlton created plenty of other good opportunities but failed to take them and looked as though they would pay the price near the end of the game when Jamie Stuart conceded a penalty and Stuart Massey equalised from the spot kick. Almost immediately Stuart redeemed himself when he bravely headed home the winner for Charlton to give them a deserved success.

Coach Keith Peacock was delighted with his teams performance: "It was good to get that first league

win under our belt", he said. "It was an evenly matched game and it was nice to get a tap in goal from Kevin Lisbie. Jamie Stuart gave his usual swashbuckling and wholehearted performance but once again he was reckless in his own penalty area. But on the plus side he showed determination to launch himself for the header that won us the game".

Keith was full of praise for the performance of defender Steve Brown. "He was outstanding and held the whole thing together", said Keith.

Team: Petterson: Lee, Sturgess; Brown, Chandler, Stuart; Minors, Foley, Lisbie, Nicholls, Robson. Subs. Greatorex for Sturgess. McCann for Minors. Kearley (not

Mark Greatorex, a midfield player, was on trial from Dartford. The reserves scheduled league game away to Bristol City this week was postponed because of the first teams match at Stoke.

Their next Avon Insurance Combination game is on Wednesday next week (December 11) when Crystal Palace will be visitors to The Valley.



Steve Brown who gave a powerful performance at the heart of the defence.

Photos by Steve Bridge





A review of Charlton Athletic's Reserves by team coach Keith Peacock



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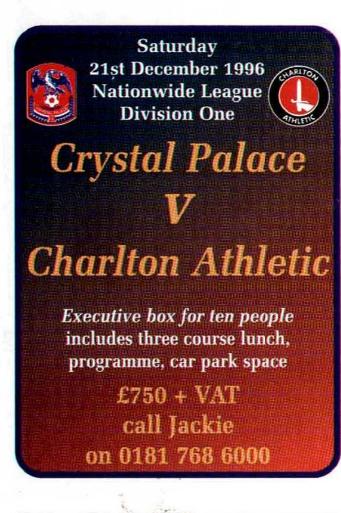
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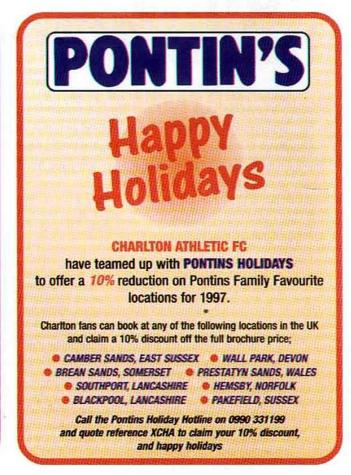
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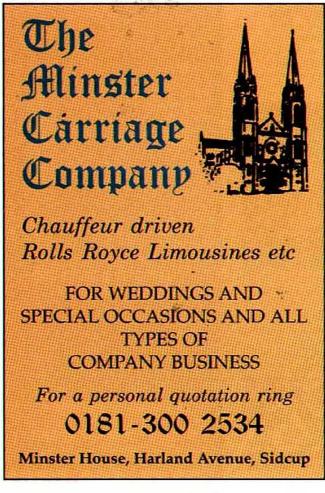
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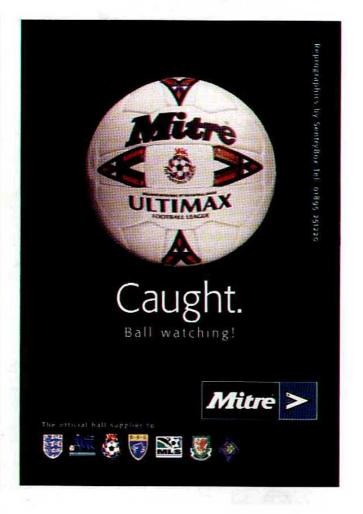
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Hard earned cup

success

Cup at The Valley on Monday night with a hard earned 2-1 success over Brentford. The draw for the next round took place on Thursday so the team will by now know who they are playing.

The Charlton lads had to come from a goal behind to win the game and they certainly weren't given an easy ride by The Bees who went



Dwayne Minors scores the winning goal against Brentford on Monday night.

ahead through Steven O'Neill just before half time - after the best chances had fallen to the home side

Brentford goalkeeper Andrew Hunt had twice denied Lawrence McCann with good saves early in

the game. After the break Charlton dragged themselves back into the match with three substitues, Frazer Tom

themselves back into the match with three substitues, Frazer Toms, Jonathan Fortune and Antony Allman all getting into the action. Paul Terry equalised for Charlton, scoring direct from a corner and then Dwayne Minors scored the winner in style after an excellent run by Kevin Lisbie.

Coach Terry Westley was delighted to get through what was a very hard game. "This was as tough a game as I thought it would be", he said. "It was a bit scrappy and we did not pass the ball enough. But we mixed it up in the second half and considering we had a couple of 15 year olds in the side, including the goalkeeper, I am happy to have gone through. I thought the goalkeeper did very well.
"The team grafted for each other

and there is great determination amongst them and a togetherness which comes out in their play. Hopefully, with the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup game against Crystal Palace on Tuesday, we can go into the New Year still in both competitions".

Team: Turner; Lee, Konchesky; Nicholls, Parker, Gowler; Minors, Terry, Lisbie, McCann, James. Subs. Fortune for James, Toms for Parker, Allman for Konchesky. On Saturday, with a below strength

On Saturday, with a below strength side consisting of a number of schoolboys, the colts went down 6-0 away to West Ham United in the South East Counties League.

Team: Turner; Allman, Day, Jones,



Matt Lee in action against Brentford.

Bull, Samuel; Parker, Osborn, James, Fortune, Neufville. Subs: Watson for Day, Izzet for Parker, Ali for James.

This morning
the colts were at
home to
Norwich City at
the training
ground in a
league game.
As reported
earlier the colts
play Crystal
Palace on
Tuesday in the
Southern Junior
Floodlit Cup.
The match takes



Place at Plough
Lane, Wimbledon a Brentford defender.
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Photos by Steve Bridge

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A review of Charlton Athletic's youth side by coach Terry Westley

South East Counties League

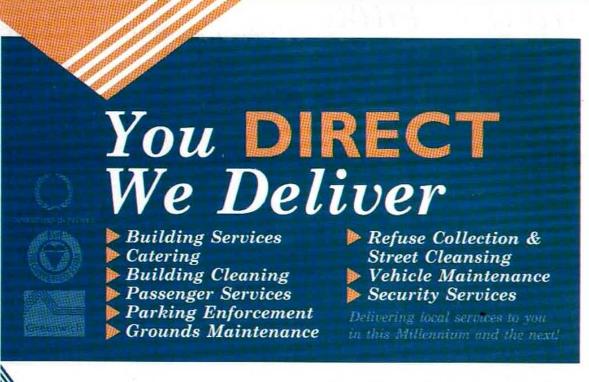
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Sat 7 Sept	Watford	A	4-0
Sat 14 Sept	West Ham	A	1-2
Sat 21 Sept	Portsmouth	,	2-1
Mon 23 Sept	Wimbledon (SJFC)	H	3-1
Sat 28 Sept	Millwall	A	0-2
Sat 5 Oct	Spurs	H	2-1
Sat 12 Oct	Q.P.R	A	1-4
Sat 19 Oct	Millwall	H	2-
Sat 26 Oct	Arsenal	A	1-1
Wed 30 Oct	Millwall (SJFC)	H	2-
Sat 2 Nov	Southend Utd	H	15
Mon 4 Nov	Millwall (SJFC)	A	4-1
Sat 9 Nov	Ipswich Town	H	5-0
Sat 16 Nov	Gillingham	H	0-3
Sat 23 Nov	QPR	H	
Sat 30 Nov	West Ham	A	0-6
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Sat 15 Feb	Spurs	A	
Sat 1 Mar	Arsenal	H	
Sat 8 Mar	Southend United	A	
	Gillingham	A	
Sat 22 Mar	Ipswich Town	A	
Sat 5 Apr	West Ham	H	
Sat 12 Apr	Norwich City	A	

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION 1

Up to & including Saturday 30 November 1996

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Norwich City	13	10	1	2	33	16	21
Gillingham	15	7	6	2	24	16	20
West Ham United	13	8	3	2	33	10	19
Chelsea	14	7	3	4	24	22	17
Ipswich Town	15	6	3	6	29	31	15
Milwall	15	6	3	6	27	29	15
Arsenal	14	5	4	5	21	18	14
Fulham	15	6	2	7	22	27	14
Tottenham Hotspur	12	5	3	4	19	12	13
Cambridge United	14	4	4	6	19	25	12
Watford	11	5	1	5	21	20	11
Queens Park Rangers	14	5	1	8	22	28	11
Charlton Athletic	15	4	3	8	23	31	11
Southend United	15	3	4	8	25	36	10
Leyton Orient	13	2	6	5	19	30	10
Portsmouth	14	3	3	8	19	29	9



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back' to basics!

It was back to basics after the two shock home defeats and Charlton learnt how to defend again as they gained their third successive away league victory on one of their favourite grounds.

Oxford, who had looked a pretty ordinary side when they lost 2-0 at The Valley a few weeks ago, have lost only once since that defeat, but they were unable to stop Charlton completing the double with a deserved 2-0 victory.

A purple patch immediately after half time sealed the three points which shot Charlton up eight places to a midtable berth with two goals in the space of four minutes. Anthony Barness netted his first of the season, since his return to the club from Chelsea, receiving a fine through ball from David Whyte as he surged forward and took his chance with confidence.

Then a mistake by Oxford keeper Phil Whitehead allowed Charlton to capitalise as the goalie's clearance went straight to Shaun Newton. His shot was scrambled clear but only to David Whyte who

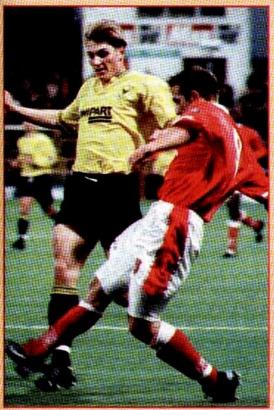
> rifled home his second goal in three games since his return to the team.

> Charlton had other chances to increase their lead, notably through Carl Leaburn, who despite not being able to score had an excellent game and won most of the aerial battle with Matt Elliott.

With an hour gone Oxford boss Denis Smith put on his three substitutes and played four strikers but the Charlton defence, reinforced by the height of Phil Chapple, stood firm to run out comfortable winners.

Oxford, who had been beaten only once on their own ground this season, never really threatened in terms of shots on target, and it was good to see Charlton taking advantage of their hesitancy in defence to wrap up the victory.

Peter Burrowes.



John Robinson's second half shot is saved by Whitehead



Exactly what was needed

Just what the doctor ordered!
The 2-0 win over Oxford, after
those two league defeats at
home, steadied the ship again
and it was a performance that
pleased boss Alan Curbishley.

"It was what was needed", said Curbs, "The players thought they just had to turn up for the two home games and they would win. The preparation and attitude for this one was exactly right. We approached the game sensibly, defended well and took our chances, although with a little more composure could have had more goals.

"I was disappointed for Carl Leaburn that he did not score as he did very well in other areas of his game and was a constant threat to Oxford. The win was a team effort and everybody played their part."

Charlton had their fourth captain of the season when Brendan O'Connell took over the skippers armband. "The captaincy has been a problem all season", said Curbs.

"Brendan has a tremendous attitude and covers every blade of grass on the pitch and has great enthusiasm".

PULL OUT SECTION

- Barney scores his first goal of the season
- All the action, captured by Tom Morris
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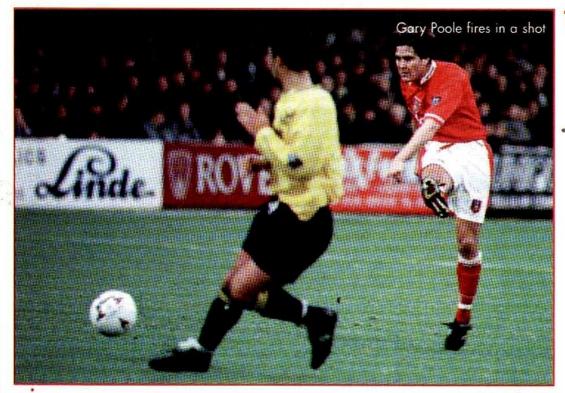
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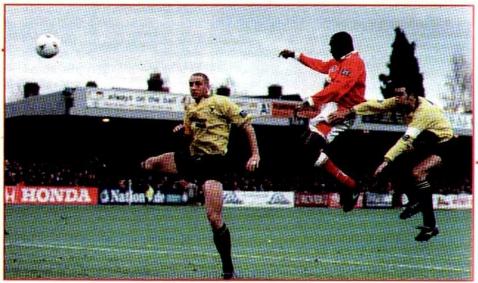






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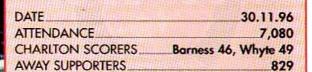
Leaburn heads for goal



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Anthony Barness scores his first goal of the season

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Shaun Newton's shot is blocked by goalkeeper Phil Whitehead



David Whyte scores from close range from the rebound



49 mins
... and celebrates
Charlton's second goal

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Chariton 2 CHARLTON romped to their third away win on the trot with second

half goals from Anthony Barness and David Whyte. And only poor finishing from Carl Leaburn and John Robinson prevented





Commenting on the win at Oxford

"After the two home defeats we spent a lot of time on the training field trying to get it right and I was pleased with the way it worked. It was a vitally important win and a lot of hard work and a few home truths paid off."

SUPPORTERS VIEWPOINT

Within the space of five minutes at the start of the second half, Charlton had virtually scaled this impressive victory. It could have been even more emphatic had first Carl Leaburn and then John Robinson, not missed chances with only the goalkeeper to beat. Mike Ford, the Oxford captain, had apparently won the toss only once in home games all season. His luck did not improve and Charlton gained the crucial advantage of attacking down the Manor's notorious slope in the second half. Once the Addicks had reached half time with their goal intact, I felt confident that we could snatch victory in the second half.

We had a close up view of Charlton's goals. I have relations

who are Oxford supporters! David Whyte combined with Anthony Barness to split the Oxford defence leaving Barness free to plant the ball into the corner of the net and leave my wife in a state of shock

The much maligned Carl Leaburn pressured Whitehead into a state of panic, allowing Whyte to finish off after Newton's shot had been

Charlton weathered some intense pressure in the last 30 minutes but emerged with their first double of the season.

RON HOOPER

If you want to contribute to Supporters Viewpoint, contact Peter Burrowes at the club.



ALAN CURBISHLEY After the 2-0 win at Oxford last

"It was what we needed after the two home defeats. We approached the game sensibly and took our goals well and with a bit more composure could have scored more".



WHYTE: Bright

Al's away

Oxford o Chariton 2 By JOHN CHERA

DELIGHTED Valiants' boss Alan Curbishley greeted his side's third successive away win by declaring: "That's the way we've got to do it at home."

Charlton soaked up the pressure in the first-half -and then sent Oxford crashing with a quick-fire double when the home side fell

when the nome side fell asleep after the break. Concluded Curbishley: "It's no good going hell for leather in the first five minutes and then withing his on the break then getting hit on the break. This was just what we needed after two home defeats.

Anthony Barness rifled Charlton ahead just two minutes after the break following a neat set up by David

Whyte. Then Whyte turned goalscorer himself when he slotted home three minutes later.

Phil Whitehead got himself in trouble when he tried to dribble past Carl Leaburn and could only parry a point-blank effort by Shaun New-

Leaburn's continuing poor

form in front of goal is still a worry for Curbishley. Oxford boss Denis Smith stopped the rot when he made a triple substitution just inside the hour.

But he insisted: "It was a case of us carving ourselves open with two suicide goals, not them carving us open.'

SUNDAY MIRROR



a Manor Ground rout. Charlton manager Alan Curbishley saw his side pull clear of the relega-tion zone and beamed: "It was just what we needed. It was a classic away game for us.

"In the dressing room afterwards the lads were all saying this is how we must approach our home games as well.

"We have to be sensible and not go hell for leather at the start as we have been doing.

"We got back to basics again. In the last two home games we thought we just had to turn up to win because the opponents were at the bottom of the table."

Curbishley's only re-gret was that Leaburn did not get on the score sheet to break a barren run .

"I just wish the side-foot that David Whyte got, had instead fallen to Carl," said Curbishley.

"He worked very hard it's just he can't get his goal. But I'm delighted with the team. It shows we're capable of going and winning anywhere."

Oxford boss Denis Smith was angry that errors from Martin Gray and 'keeper Phil Whitehead led to the Charlton goals and gave Oxford only their second home defeat in 14 months.

Fumed Smith: "If you give two suicide goals away you're not going to get back into the game. They were bad mistakes.

"I thought it looked as though we had a bit of a hangover from our Coca-Cola Cup game with Southampton on Tuesday night.

"It's annoying because we opened ourselves. Charlton took advantage of two silly mistakes."

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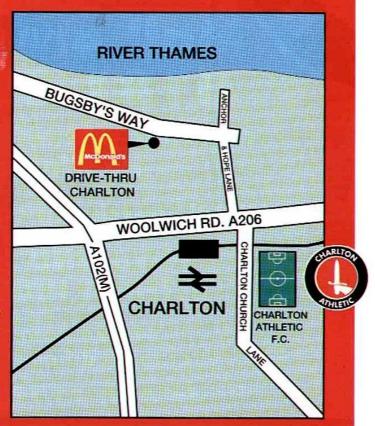
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AWAY TRAVEL

There will be a Junior Reds Family Coach travelling to Roots Hall for the match against Southend United on Boxing Day. With the kick off being 12 noon, the coach will be leaving The Valley at 9.30a.m. Any Junior Reds and their parents wishing to travel to this game, please call into the Junior Reds Office on matchdays or ring Ian Marsh on 0181-461-4025 between 4p.m. and 6p.m. Monday to Friday to book

BIRTHDAY MESSAGE

Happy birthday to Joe Darbey who was 12 on December 5, you have finally got on the pitch. Love from mum and dod.

DAD DICK MAKES **US WELCOME**

When the Junior Reds family coach travelled to Carrow Road for the match against Norwich City, Stuart Heath from West Kingsdown was the lucky person to be

picked as the Charlton mascot. As is customary away trips, all Junior Reds who wish to take part in the draw, have their names put into a hat and the first pulled out is mascot for the day. On arrival at the ground Stuart was taken to the Charlton dressing room to meet the players and was then shown around behind the scenes, prior to leading out the team. Stuart was well looked after by a member of the Norwich matchday staff, who turned out to be none other than Dick Chapple, father of our central defender Phil Chapple.



Dick Chapple at Carrow Road.

Today's ascots

BEN BAILEY, JOE DARBEY, BEVERLEY RILEY

BEN is 11 and lives at Bexleyheath. He attends Bexley Grammar School and his favourite Charlton players are Jamie Stuart and John Robinson.

Ben plays football for his school team, Long Lane JFC and has played for Bexley district. He has achieved level five of the

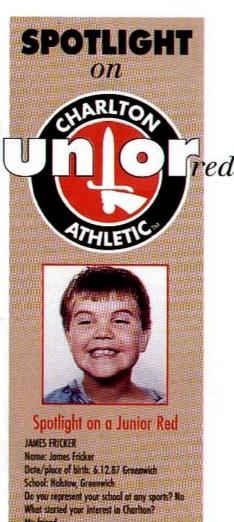
Charlton Challenge and regularly attends





JOE is 12, and lives at Eltham. He attends Crown Woods School and his favourite Charlton players are Shaun Newton, Bradley Allen, and former keeper Bob Bolder. Joe loves football and also enjoys swimming, golf, tennis, hockey and basketball. He regularly attends the courses run by Charlton at the training ground.





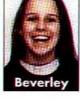
My friend Favourite Charlton player: John Robinson Fovourite other ground: Antield What club's playing strip do you most admire? Which player would you most like to sign for Charlian? Robbie Fowler Favourite TV and radio programme: Match of the Day Sport that you enjoy playing: Football and rugby

Other sports that you enjoy watching (five or

on TV). Basketball and ice hockey Ambition on leaving school: To play for

BEVERLEY is 12 and lives at Hither Green. She attends Prendergast School. John Robinson is her favourite Charlton player. Beverley loves football, tennis, hockey and netball and has played for

Charlton.



her school and has won a tennis trophy.

manager

today's Visitors



Swindon Town, our welcome visitors to The Valley for this afternoon's Nationwide League game, had an excellent 1995-96 season which culminated with them winning the Second Division championship in some style – they finished nine points clear of runners-up Oxford United.

MANAGER STEVE McMAHON

Steve McMahon took over the reins as player-manager at The County Ground in November 1994 after having signed for the 'Robins' from Manchester City. Born in Liverpool in 1961, 'Scouser' McMahon played exactly 100 League games for Everton before transferring to Aston Villa for £175,000 in 1983. He returned to Merseyside after two years and added 204 more League appearances to his tally with Liverpool before switching his allegiance to Maine Road in 1991. Capped by England 17 times, McMahon won medals galore at club level and he has now accumulated 625 senior appearances at club level (72 goals scored).

Now managed by the former England midfielder Steve McMahon. the 'Robins' only lost four matches out of their 46 in the League last term - at home to Shrewsbury Town and away at Oxford United, Wrexham and York City. McMahon certainly assembled a pretty mean defence at The County Ground - only 34 goals conceded at League level - while his attack was as good as any in the Division with a tally of 71 goals scored. In fact, on winning promotion McMahon firmly believed that his players would readily equip themselves in a higher Division. Occasionally they have done just that, proving they are as good as any other club in this section. But of late some results have gone against them and they have tottered badly, losing games when realistically speaking, they should have gained something for their efforts, especially at Birmingham where they lost 1-0! Nevertheless Swindon Town are a footballing side and there is no doubt that whoever plays against them certainly have a chance of gaining a favourable result. McMahon has not had too much money to spend on new players but his squad is a useful one with a fair sprinkling of experience and youth spread throughout the ranks. Of late the 'Robins' have fielded the following players, all of whom are likely to be in contention for a place in the line-up against the Addicks today: Goalkeeper Fraser Digby has been in splendid form this season. Aged 29, a native of Sheffield, he was on Manchester United's books as a youngster but failed to make an

impact at Old Trafford and left to join Swindon in 1986 for £32,000. He has now made over 450 appearances for the 'Robins' as well as winning five England U/21 caps.

Mark Robinson can play at rightback, in the centre of the defence or wide midfield. He started his career with West Bromwich Albion and after good spells with both Barnsley (159 outings) and Newcastle United, he signed for Swindon in July 1994 for £600,000. Born in Rochdale in 1968 he has now amassed a career total of more than 30 appearances at club level.

David Kerslake plays at either right or left-back. He returned to The County Ground last month on loan from Tottenham Hotspur. Born in Stepney (London) just before England won the World Cup in 1966, he started his career with Q.P.R. before transferring to Swindon (first time round) in 1989 for £110,000. He made 165 appearances for the 'Robins' in four years prior to a £500,000 move to Leeds United. He never fitted in at Elland Road and six months later left Yorkshire to return to Spurs for £450,000. capped by England at U/21 level, he certainly has skill and commitment and is now looking forward to helping Swindon climb the table.

Centre-back Mark Seagraves played twice for Liverpool and three times for Norwich City at the start of his career. He then had a spell with Manchester City before making almost 200 appearances for Bolton Wanderers. He left Burnden Park for Swindon for £100,0000 in June 1995. A real hard-tackling defender, with good heading ability, Seagraves was born in Bootle 30 years ago.

Partnering Seagraves at the heart of the Swindon defence is Frederic Darrass who arrived at the club last summer from the Corsican club, Bastia. Aged 25 he has ability and style and can also slot in at fullback if required. Taking the No.3 shirt is likely to be

30 year-old Gary Elkins, who was recruited from Wimbledon for just £20,000 six months ago. A determined player, born in Wallingford, he won England schoolboy and youth caps before signing professional forms for Fulham in 1983. He played over 120 games for the Cottagers' and five on loan with Exeter before going to Plough Lane in 1990. He made 127 first team appearances for the 'Dons'. Kevin Horlock (aged 24) is one of Swindon's midfield battlers. He joined the club fromWest Ham United on a free transfer four years ago and has been in fine form for the 'Robins' over the last two seasons. He has now made close on 200 appearances for the Wiltshire club.

Mark Walters, the former Liverpool. Aston Villa and England winger, is enjoying a wide borth on either flank for Swindon, whom he joined from Southampton at the start of the season. A former team-mate of manager McMahon's at both Villa Park and Anfield, Walters has lost none of his trickery and he is still a class player. Born in Birmingham in 1964, he left Villa for Glasgow

Fraser Digby

Rangers for £500,000 in 1987; joined Liverpool for £1,25 million four years later and after loan spells with Stoke City and Wolves he moved to Southampton in 1996. Winner of one full, one 'B' and nine U/21 caps for England, he gained a European Super Cup winners medal with Villa and Scottish Premier and Scottish League Cup winners medals while at throx and an F.A. Cup winners medal at Anfield. Walters is fast-approaching the milestone of 550 appearances at club level, and he's hit 125 goals.

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Wayne O'Sullivan is an Republic of Ireland U/21 international who joined Swindon as a trainee in 19912, turning professional two years later. Born in Akrotini, Cyprus in 1974, he is a strong running midfielder who looks set for a bright future in the game.

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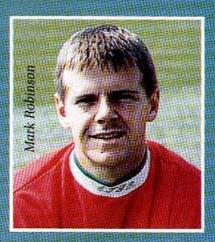
Scott Leitch plays in centre-field and was on loan at Swindon last season from Hearts before joining the 'Robins' permanently at the start of this season. He is now a key figure in the team's engine-room. Born in Motherwell in 1969, he played over 100 games for Dunfermline Athletic between 1990 and 1993.

Striker Wayne Allison stands well over six feet tall and weighs almost 14 stones. He was secured from Bristol City for £475,000 in July 1995 and last season scored 20 goals for the 'Robins.' Born in Huddersfield in 1968, he started out with Halifax Town and before transferring to Ashton Gate served with Watford. He's an awkward cuistomer, dangerous at set pieces and is a constant menace to defenders, especially in the air. Striker Steve Finney (23) was born near Hexham racecourse and first played for Preston North End before going to Manchester City in 1993. Unfortunately he never made an appearance during his three-year stay at Maine Road playing all of his

football in the reserves. But Steve McMahon was impressed with him and June 1995 he lured him to Swindon on a free transfer. He is now a vital member of the 'Robins' squad.

Young Gary Thorne (19) from Reading was promoted to Swindon's professional ranks in the summer of 1995 and last term made two appearances for the senior side. Although on the small side, he has a lot to offer and is extremely dangerous inside the area. Steve Cowe faged 22 from Gloucester) left Villa Park for Swindon last March after failing to get a game with the Premiership club. He has only managed 20 outlings so far for the 'Robins' but has already shown a lot of character as a utility forward.

Ty Gooden from Canvey Island is a 24 year-old utility player who came through Arsenal's nursery to sign for Wycombe Wanderers from where he switched to Swindon in January 1994. He's now made 60 first team appearances for the 'Robins.'. Peter Holdcroft has recently joined the club on a free transfer from Everton. Aged 20 he plays mainly in midfield and is highly-rated by manager Steve McMahon.





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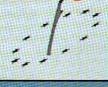
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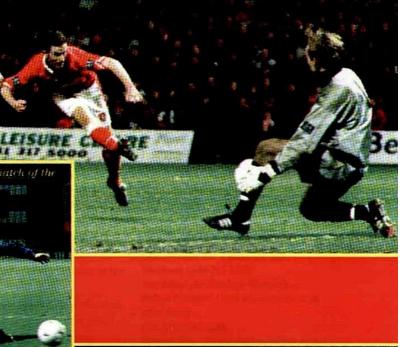
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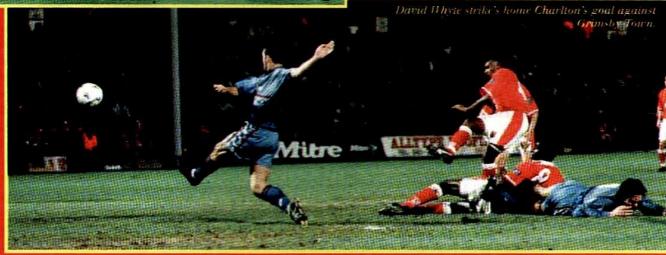
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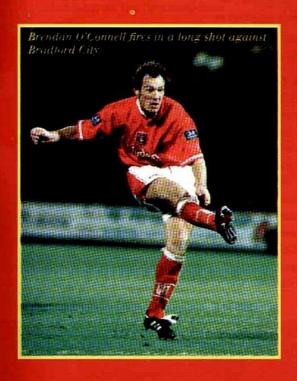
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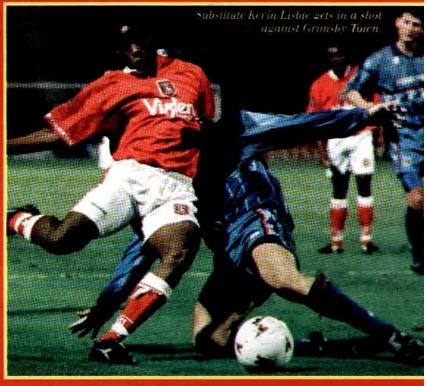




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Pre-printed competition forms are available now from the CASC office and around the ground today.

The entry fee is just £2 a line and the total takings will be divided between the winner and the supporters' club as organisers, once expenses have been deducted. As a tie-break entrants have to estimate the aggregate attendance at the two semi-final matches.

For more details, contact Wendy in the CASC cabin today, at the Port Vale game, or during the week on 0181-265 5283.

WHYTE ON

The satellite branches have been busy behind the scenes recently, with successful meetings at Gravesend and Sevenoaks. Lewisham are next in line and they are due to play host to striker David Whyte and midfielder Kevin Nicholls this coming Thursday, December 12th.

That's upstairs at the Black Horse and Harrow pub in Rushey Green, Catford (8pm). There is no admission charge and all Charlton supporters are welcome. Meanwhile, we have some good news from the West Country, where Gladys Dutton has kindly agreed to become president of the branch.

Gladys, you will recall, is the daughter of our legendary former manager Jimmy Seed, and she has recently moved to the Taunton area where the branch is based.

Not content with this coup, Lester Trask and co have also recruited a certain Garry Nelson and our former defender Jimmy Giles as vice presidents.

Garry has invited members of the branch down to Torquay as VIP guests for a future game, so we trust they won't be Gulled into defecting. Ouch!

AWAY DAYS

Our final two excursions of 1996 are the relatively short trips to Crystal Palace and Southend. We will be running a coach service to both these venues and details will be included in next week's programme.

Alternatively, if you are really desperate to book up early, visit the CASC cabin today or call the booking line on 01322 408322. Rick Everitt (CASC)



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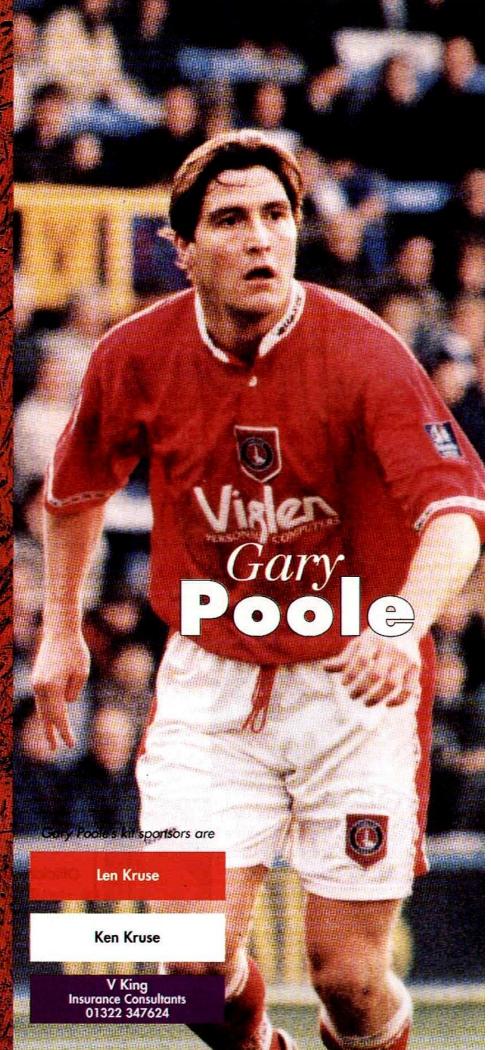




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The Christmas period is a busy time for football clubs and as well as the home games versus Wolves and Ipswich Town, tickets for the away games versus Southend United and Crystal Palace are also available for sale. Details of some of the next few games are as follows.

10/12/96 Youth Team v Crystal Palace in the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup at Plough Lane, Wimbledon.Kick off 7p.m.

11/12/96 Reserves v Crystal Palace at The Valley kick off 2p.m. Admission is free for season ticket holders and £2/£1 for adults/juniors and seniors.

14/12/96 First Team v Port Vale at The Valley kick off 3p.m. Tickets for this match are on sale now. Tickets for the covered end are just £8 for adults.

21/12/96 First Team away to Crystal Palace at Selhurst Park. Kick off 3p.m. This match is not all ticket but we do have tickets on sale now at the main box office. Tickets are for the Arthur Wait stand and are priced at £14 adults and £8 seniors/juniors.

26/12/96 First team away to Southend United. Kick off 12 noon. This is not an all ticket game but we have been sent tickets to sell in advance. There are two areas available for us. The first is a family area in the North Bank West Wing. Tickets are priced at £8 adults, £4 juniors/seniors. Please note the

concession price is only available if you purchase the tickets in advance from us. This area is not available to adults only. We also have

tickets in the North Bank for sale at

£12 with no concessions.

Next there are two home games, versus Wolves on December 28th, 1996 and versus Ipswich Town on January 1, 1997. Both these games kick off at 3p.m. and tickets are available now.

On January 4, 1997 we will be in the third round of the FA Cup. The draw for this round will be televised live on BBC 2 next Monday, December 9 at approximately 10.15p.m.

SEASON TICKETS

We are now selling Christmas season tickets, which would make a good present for the festive season. They start from the match versus Wolverhampton Wanderers on December 28. Prices are as follows:

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FIRST TEAM

The first team have played three cup games in three weeks, FA Cup, League Cup and Kent County Cup, but are now left in just two of the three competitions.

Knocked out of the FA Cup by Greater London Premier League side Dulwich Hamlet 4-0 and probably not standing much chance of finishing better than runners up in the League, they were left to fight for places in the later rounds of the other two cup competitions.

The League Cup saw them up against lower division side Portfield. A fairly easy affair as they put seven past them. Karen Denny added another two to her goal tally, with one each for Emma Moore, Kelly Honzek and Kelly Paul. An own goal added another and a fine individual run from right back Lisa Carpenter ended with her first

ever goal for Charlton Ladies.
The Kent Cup first round match
against Edenbridge saw Corinne
Covington back in the first team
with a point to prove. She did
just that by scoring half the goals
in the 8-2 victory they secured.
Karen Denny put in yet another
two, Ally Rawle scored one, and
Zoe Payne scored her first of the
season.

The next round of the League Cup will see the first team take on either Sittingbourne or Crowborough on December 22 at LESSA (weather permitting). The Kent Cup game will be against

Malling Ladies in January.

Zoe Payne - first goal of the season against Edenbridge.



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FLASH BACK Paul Went's double

windon Town have only won once at The Valley in a league fixture, and that was way back in 1922, in the final match of Charlton's first season in the Football League. They did take maximum points at Selhurst Park in the opening game of the 1990-91 season, but apart from a Coca Cola Cup victory two years ago, have been unlucky in their travels to SE7.

Swindon were five places above Charlton in the Second Division table when they visited The Valley on Saturday, March 18, 1972. Addicks boss Theo Foley had surprised The Valley faithful by dropping leading goalscorer Ray Treacy in favour of Dick Plumb. Dennis Bond was also brought into the side in place of Mike Flanagan who to substitute. Swindon came at Charlton from the kick off and John Dunn was forced to make an early save from Peter Noble.



A young Keith Pencoci

He was called into action shortly afterwards when he plucked a goalbound Ray Bunkell shot out of the air. At the other end Cyril Davies shot over from a Dennis Bond pass, and Bobby Hunt and Keith Peacock had narrow misses.

The visitors went ahead just before half time when Arthur Horsfield crossed for Noble to pick his spot past the stranded Dunn. After the break Dunn was again required to make a fine save from Horsfield, before eight minutes into the second half, Charlton brought on Mike Flanagan for Dennis Bond and switched from a 4-3-3- system to 4-2-4. Almost immediately Peacock beat two men on the wing and

erossed for Paul Went to blast home the equaliser from 25 yards. Ten minutes later Peter Downsborough did well to stop a Cyril Davies shot, but punched out straight to the oncoming Paul Went, who blasted home his second goal from almost an identical position to his first. With the Addicks now firing on all cylinders it came as no surprise when Bobby Hunt headed in Eamonn Rogers cross for Charlton's third a



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minute from time to cap a fine victory and earn two valuable points for the fight against relegation.

CHARLTON: Dunn; Jones, Warman; Went, Shipperley, Davies; Bond (Flanagan 53), Hunt, Plumb, Rogers, Peacock.

SWINDON: Downsborough; Butler, Trollope; Bunkell, Burrows, Mackey (Moss 80); Hubbard, Smart, Horsfield, Noble, Dangerfield.

by PAUL CLAYTON

Phil Chapple this week discusses the controversial subject of drugs in football in the light of the recent revelations about Charlton player Jay Notley. Phil is the PFA representative at the club and is very much involved in trying to help young players with their problems.



Name the drug takers

Somewhat regrettably, Charlton recently made headlines for the wrong reasons when a third player was positively tested by the FA "drugs squad". Almost two years ago Lee Bowyer and Dean Chandler were found to have used cannabis, this time Jay Notley was caught out after taking not only "pot" but also the Class A narcotics, Cocaine and Ecstasy.

For a couple of seasons, the

For a couple of seasons, the Doping Control Units have been turning up unannounced at clubs training grounds and randomly selecting three or four players to assess. Their urine samples are then sent to be evaluated with the results being returned a fortnight or so later. If lesser drugs, for example cannabis are detected a player is suspended until they have satisfied the FA they have "repented of their sins", after a series of counselling and re-education sessions. However, those guilty of such offences are allowed to remain anonymous, as their names are not officially released to the media, just leaked occasionally. When it comes to the more serious substances, such as amphetamines, players face a disrepute charge and a probable ban.

probable ban.
Roger Stanislaus of Leyton
Orient was the first to receive
this kind of punishment when
he was tested positive for
cocaine, a drug considered
performance enhancing, after
a match. He was excluded
from participating in football
for a year and subsequently
had his contract terminated
by the club. Charlton, on the
other hand, have taken the
brave decision to stand by
Jay, at least until he has
completed his rehabilitation

programme. His cocktail of drugs, however, is likely to mean he too will be handed

a lengthy ban.
Despite having had three such incidents, the club make great efforts to teach players about the dangers of using drugs, particularly the younger players. It is surely no coincidence that all three players have been at the impressionable age of 18 when they committed their misdemeanours. We are also subject to not only official visits, but in-house testing because the club feel a couple of calls a season is not enough of a threat. However, there is only so much they can do and it is up to the individual to abstain from such temptations. Drugs are a menace to society in general, so no one should delude themselves that football is not affected. It may only be a small minority who indulge, but if the games administrators become complacent, that tiny percentage will inevitably grow.

The only way to ensure the number of positive tests continues to diminish is to maintain the indescriminate checks and bring the guilty to justice. If there is room for improvement, and there is bound to be, then in my opinion it is that more tests should be conducted and all those caught, whether using social or enhancing performance drugs, should be named. The bigger the stigma attached, the bigger the deterrent, and only by threatening to shame players will they be sufficiently discouraged from putting their good names, or even careers, on the line.

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SAT 14 SEPT	READING	1
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FRI 20 SEPT	IPSWICH TOWN	1-
TUE 24 SEPT	BURNLEY (CCC R2 2nd Leg)	2-
SAT 28 SEPT	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	1-
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TUE 15 OCT	SHEFFIELD UNITED	0-
SAT 19 OCT	BOLTON WANDERERS	3-
WED 23 OCT	LIVERPOOL (CCC R3)	1.
SAT 26 OCT	OXFORD UNITED	2-
TUE 29 OCT	TRANMERE ROVERS	0
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9,655	SALMON	EARNESS	STUART	JONES	RUFUS	BALMER	NEWTON	LEABURN ¹	ROBINSON	WHYTE	MORTIMERA	O'CONNELLA	BROWN	ALLEN
25.963	SALMON	BARNESS	STUART	JONES	CHAPPLE	BALMER	NEWTON1	LEABURN	ROBINSON	WHYTEA	MORTIMER	O'CONNELL	BROWN	ALLENA
21.072	SALMON	BARNESS	STUARTA	JONES	CHAPPLE	BALMER	NEWTON	LEABURN	ROBINSON	WHYTE	MORTIMER*	O'CONNEILA	BROWN	ALLEN•
8,497	SALMON	BARNESS	STUART	JONES	CHAPPLE	BALMER	NEWTONA	LEABURN	ROBINSON	ALLEN	MORTIMER ¹	WHYTE	BROWNA	USBIE
10,831	SALMON	BARNESS	STUART	JONESA	CHAPPLE	BALMER	NEWTON	LEABURN ¹	ROBINSON	ALLEN	MORTIMER	WHYTE	BROWN	OCCINELAR
4,874	SALMON	BARNESS	STUART	BROWN	CHAPPLE	BALMER	NEWTON	LEABURN A	ROBINSON ²	ALLEN	MORTIMER ¹	WHYTEA	NICHOUS	STURGESS#
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2,281	PETTERSON	BARNESS	STUART	NICHOLLS	CHAPPLE	BALMER	NEWTON	LEABURN	STURGESS	ALLEN ¹	MORTIMER A	WHYTE !	USBIE▲	WRIGHT
12,178	SALMON	BARNESS	STUART	BROWN▲	CHAPPLE	BALMER	NEWTON	LEABURN	ROBINSON	ALLEN	KINSELLA	WHYTE =	OTTO	RUFUS
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10,626	SALMON	NEWTONA	BARNESS	O'CONNELL	CHAPPLE	RUFUS	ОПО	LEABURN ¹	ROBINSON	WHYTE	KINSELLA ¹	ALLEN	BROWNA	USBIE
5.527	SALMON	NEWTONA	BARNESS	O'CONNELL	CHAPPLE	RUFUS	OTTO•	LEABURN	ROBINSON	WHYTE	KINSELLA	ALLEN	BROWNA	LISBIE*
14,145	SALMON	BROWN	BARNESS	O'CONNELL	BALMER	RUFUS	NEWTON	LEABURN	ROBINSON	ALLEN ¹	KINSELLA ¹	опо	STUART	LISBIE
20,174	SALMON	STUARTA	BARNESS	O'CONNELL	BALMER	RUFUS	NEWTON1	LEABURN	ROBINSON	ALLEN	ОПО	CHAPPLE	NICHOUS.	LISBIE
12,360	SALMON	POOLE ¹	BARNESS	O'CONNELL	BALMER	RUFUS	NEWTON	LEABURN	ROBINSON	ALLEN ¹	KINSELLA	CHAPPLE	USBIE	OTTO
8,574	SALMON	POOLE	BARNESS	O'CONNELL ¹	BALMER	RUFUS	NEWTON	LEABURN	MORTIMER A	ALLEN ¹	KINSELLA	CHAPPLE	NICHOLLS	LISBIE
12,256	SALMON	POOLE	BARNESS.	O'CONNELL	BALMER	RUFUS	NEWTON	LEABURN	ROBINSON	ALLEN	KINSELLA	CHAPPLE	USBIE▲	MORTIMER
9,435	SALMON	POOLE	BARNESS	O'CONNELL	BALMER	RUFUS	NEWTON	LEABURNA.	ROBINSON	WHYTE ¹	KINSELLA	ROBSON	USBIE▲	BROWN
7,080	SALMON	POOLE	BARNESS ¹	O'CONNELL	RUFUS	CHAPPLE	NEWTON	LEABURN	ROBINSON	WHYTE ¹	KINSELLA	ROBSON	USBIE	BROWN
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Arsenal v Derby County
Chelsea v Everton
Coventry v Tottenham Hotspur
Leicester City v Blackburn Rovers
Liverpool v Leeds United
Southampton v Aston Villa
Sunderland v Wimbledon

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Barnsley v Southend United
Birmingham City v Grimsby Town
Crystal Palace v Oxford United
Huddersfield Town v Norwich City
Ipswich Town v Wolves
Manchester City v Bradford City
Oldham Athletic v QPR
Reading v Port Vale
Sheffield United v Portsmouth
Stoke City v Tranmere Rovers



Today's



CHARLTON ATHLETIC Manager: Alan Curbishley Colours: Red shirts, white shorts	V	SWINDON TOWN Manager: Steve McMahon Colours: Blue/Black shirts, blue shorts
MIKE SALMON	1	FRASER DIGBY
GARY POOLE	2	DAVID KERSLAKE
ANTHONY BARNESS	3	GARY ELKINS
BRENDAN O'CONNELL	4	SCOT LEITCH
RICHARD RUFUS	5	MARK ROBINSON
PHIL CHAPPLE	6	KEVIN HORLOCK
SHAUN NEWTON	7	WAYNE O'SULLIVAN
CARL LEABURN	8	KEVIN WATSON
JOHN ROBINSON	9	PETER THORNE
DAVID WHYTE	10	WAYNE ALLISON
MARK KINSELLA	11	MARK WALTERS
MARK ROBSON	12	TY GOODEN
KEVIN LISBIE	13	STEVE FINNEY
STEVE BROWN	14	STEVE COWE

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Referee: Mr U. D. Rennie (Sheffield) Assistant Referees: Red & Yellow Flag – Mr G. C. Monk. Yellow Flag: Mr. J. F. Moore Reserve Official: Mr R. Hintze

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