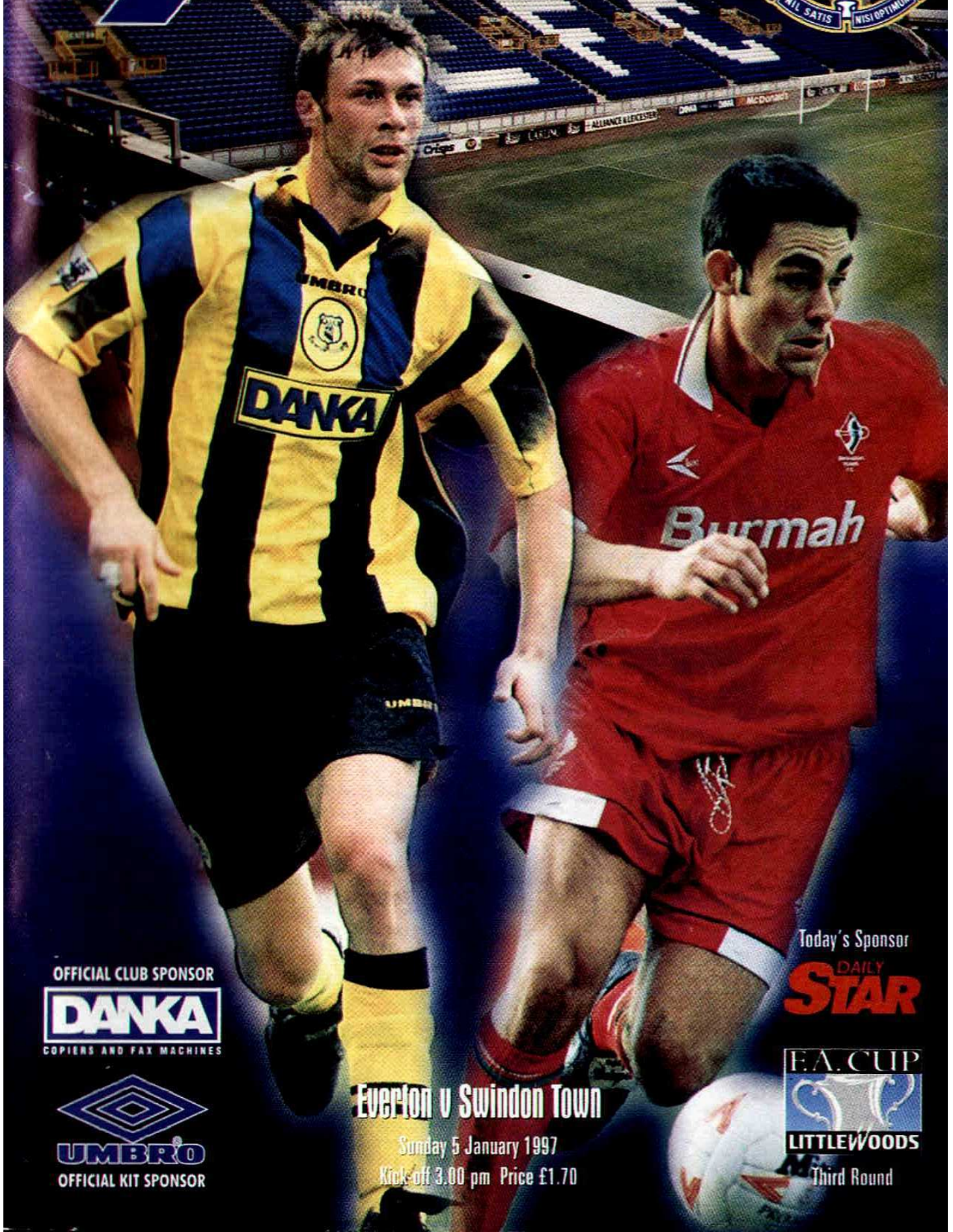


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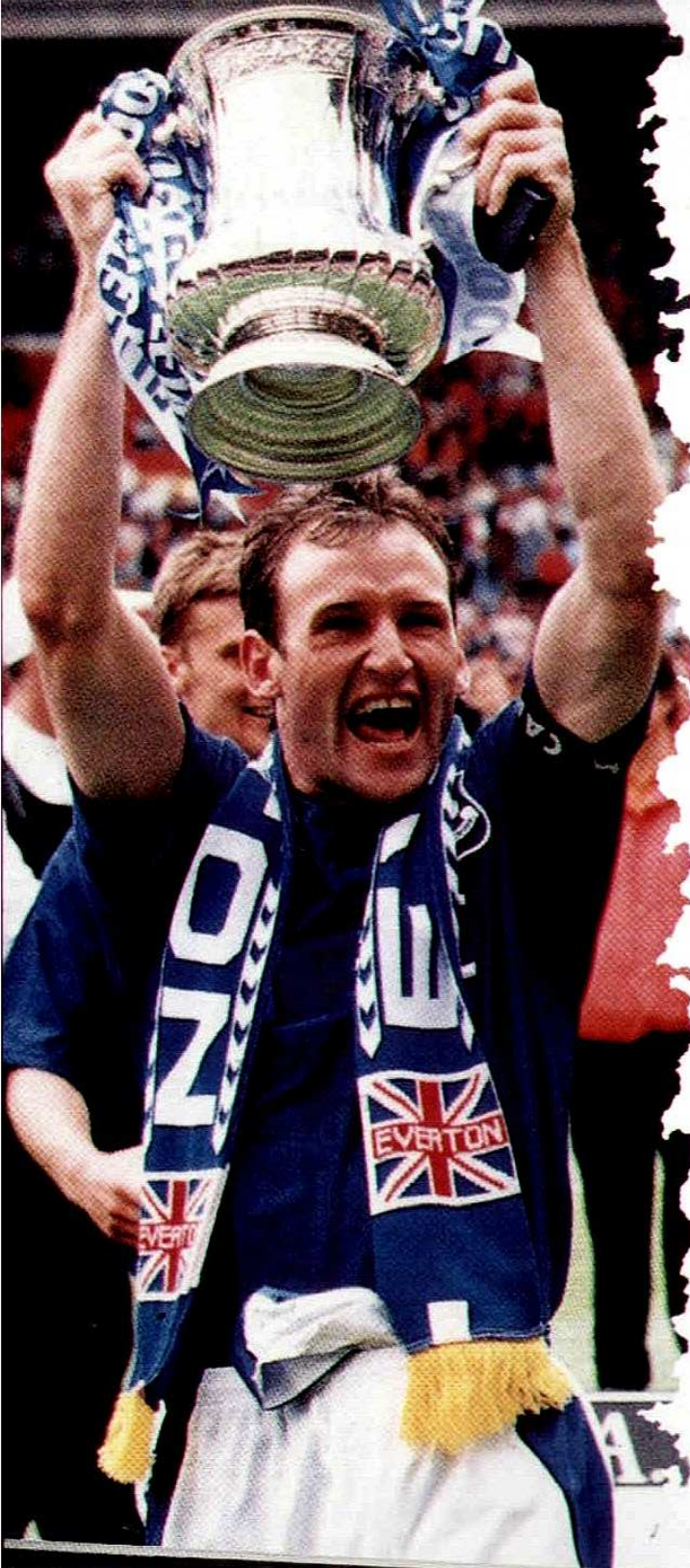
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Looking for a hat-trick

■ Dave Watson is desperate to complete a hat-trick of winning Cup Final captain's appearances this season - but not if the experience is accompanied by the events surrounding his last two Wembley visits.

Dave has climbed the famous Wembley steps to lead a winning team to a trophy on two occasions. Each time his Cup Final build-up has been accompanied by a grim relegation struggle. In 1985 Norwich City successfully defeated Sunderland to win the Milk Cup - but their battle against relegation proved less successful. A decade later Watson was back up the Wembley steps, this time safe in the knowledge that Everton had also secured their Premiership place little more than a week earlier.

"You can't take anything for granted," he said "but if we have a bit of a Cup run this season you would hope we're well enough placed already to ensure our League form wouldn't suffer.

"When we won the Cup in 1995 it was always in the back of my mind that Norwich had gone down the last time I got to Wembley. It seemed like such a coincidence.

"It was a bit different at Norwich in that we won the Milk Cup Final when there were still two months of the season left. After that, everyone at the club seemed to ease off and the Cup was all people spoke about.

"In 1995, when we beat Spurs in the semi-final everyone really did push the Cup to the back of their minds.

"Staying in the Premiership was everything. The Cup Final really was a bonus and when we had achieved what we most wanted we were able to go out at Wembley and relax."

Watson certainly relaxed at Wembley. He was named Man of the Match after our 1-0 victory of Manchester United. There's a long and tricky road to negotiate before Dave can anticipate another day like that one. But at least this time there shouldn't be any relegation worries... should there?

Dave Watson is desperate to complete a hat-trick of winning Cup Final captain's appearances this season...

Inside Goodison

Surprise, surprise!

■ Terry Phelan was preparing to see in the New Year against Liverpool - when the call came to join their keenest rivals. The Republic of Ireland international had forced his way back into the Chelsea set-up last weekend, nine months after limping out of an FA Cup semi final with a torn thigh muscle.

He was recalled against Sheffield Wednesday, was eagerly anticipating the visit of The Reds on New Year's Day - then received the surprise news that he was wanted by Joe Royle. "I spoke to Chelsea in detail over the weekend," said manager Joe Royle, "then I spoke to Terry on Monday and he was delighted to come and very enthusiastic about the move." Phelan was nearing his best form again last season, when Chelsea's left back injury jinx struck in the FA Cup semi-final against Manchester United. With Chelsea leading 1-0 early in the second half, Terry was sprinting clear down the flank when he pulled up sharply with a torn thigh muscle. He gamely tried to play on, but was little more than a passenger as United ruthlessly exploited his lack of mobility down that wing. He finally hobbled off after United's second goal - and didn't return until last Saturday, when his



Signing on... new boy Terry Phelan at Bellefield this week

performance against Sheffield Wednesday in a 2-2 draw was rated by some observers as "outstanding." The 29-year-old started his professional career at Leeds United, signing professional forms in August 1984. Following two unproductive seasons at Elland Road he was allowed to join Swansea City on a free transfer. The promise which was later to lead to 35 Republic of Ireland caps began to flourish in South Wales, and bargain

hunters Wimbledon swooped in July 1987 for £100,000. It was in South London that Phelan developed into an exciting and influential left-back. He was a member of the Wimbledon side which upset Liverpool's double charge in 1988 by snatching the FA Cup, and when the Crazy Gang finally sold him after four seasons and 198 appearances his value had soared to £2.5m. Everton old boy Peter Reid splashed out that fee for him, but Phelan's

return to his home town wasn't the success he had hoped. In a side often struggling against relegation his form suffered. He missed the ignominy of City's drop into the First Division but when he moved to Chelsea in November last year his value had fallen to £900,000. Joe Royle paid £850,000 to bring him to Goodison earlier this week.



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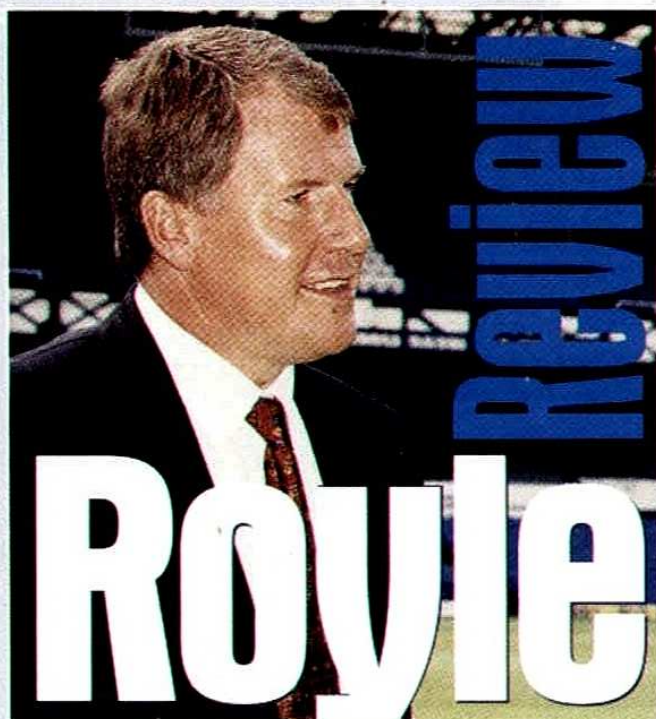
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■ **I would qualify that with our immense problems with injuries and illness, although the supporters don't want to hear that. They just want to see results.**

The Middlesbrough result on Boxing Day was desperately disappointing because I thought we played well in patches, but crucial decisions - and lots of them - went against us. I've watched the game again on video since, and I still can't understand why we weren't awarded a penalty when Nick Barmby was fouled and again when Graham Stuart was fouled. Added to that, Boro's third and fourth goals both stemmed from moves where our players were fouled.

Having said that, I can't hide the fact that we conceded four goals - and I'm sure a lot of that was down to the absence of Dave Watson. I didn't think we had any problems defensively while he was on the pitch. One of our promising youngsters, Graham Allen, came on and did well enough, but I thought the loss of Dave Watson was crucial.

The game against Wimbledon was slightly different in that we managed to put out a side which was experienced, but totally imbalanced by the loss of defenders. The absences of Craig Short and Dave Watson were probably the most decisive - against a team which is traditionally strong in the air. That showed in the way we

Our two matches over the Christmas period were massive disappointments. We keep setting ourselves up to do something in the Premiership, then let ourselves down and our supporters down...

conceded the equaliser, Wimbledon won two headers in our penalty area after we had done well to go into the lead. We should have had more goals to show at half-time, but didn't take our chances.

A number of the newspapers made a point on Monday morning about the atmosphere inside Goodison Park and it is true that for some reason it has been very quiet this season. It's a fine line between whether the players get the fans fired up, or whether the players respond to the fans. There are no whys, wherefores or criticisms - the fact is it has been quiet. When we were fighting relegation two seasons ago it was a hot-bed every week. Last Saturday we were outshouted by Wimbledon. Today's Cup tie should guarantee a better atmosphere.

This is a massive week for us and we have to hang on to the coat tails of a European place, while ensuring we are in the next round of the FA Cup. Swindon Town won't need any winding up for today - being managed by an ex-Evertonian, and an ex-Liverpudlian to boot! Our record against sides from lower divisions in the last couple of seasons hasn't been good and we have to change that around.

■ We are hoping to have a new face in the squad for this afternoon's match. At the time of writing we have agreed a fee of £850,000 with Chelsea for their left-back Terry Phelan - and the transfer was set to go through subject to a medical. Obviously the seriousness of the injury sustained by Andy Hinchcliffe meant that we needed to bring in a specialist left sided defender. I spoke to Chelsea officials several times last weekend and we agreed on the fee Monday afternoon.

We have two outstanding prospects for left-back at the club in John Hills and Michael Ball, but they



New signing Terry Phelan is welcomed to Bellefield by members of the Norwegian Branch of the Everton Supporters Club

aren't ready for the senior side just yet and I don't want to spoil the youngsters by putting them in too soon.

Gary Speed did well in that position against Wimbledon on Saturday but he is far more valuable to us in midfield. Terry Phelan is very experienced and I'm sure will do a good job for us.

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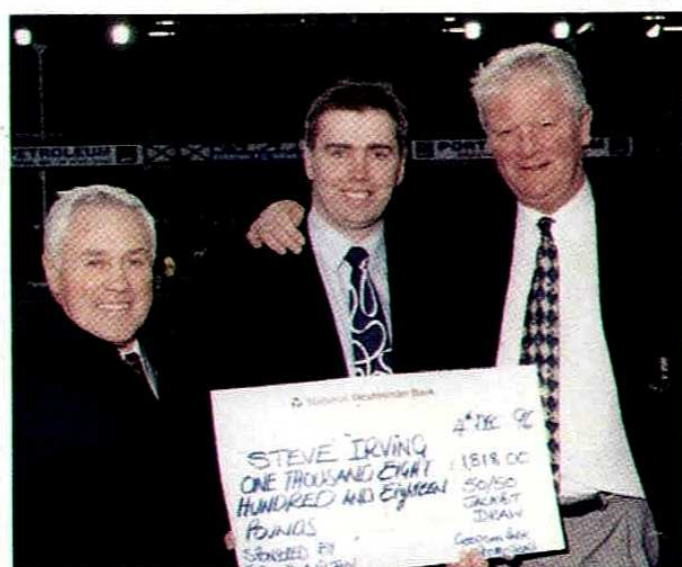
half-time quiz



Today's quiz has an FA Cup flavour. See if you can call yourself an Everton expert after these 10 brain teasers!

1. Gordon Lee's first match in charge of Everton was an FA Cup tie against Swindon Town in 1977. Who scored the winning goal in that fourth round replay?
2. Which centre-forward made his Everton debut in a League match against Swindon Town in January 1994?
3. And who scored a hat-trick in that match?
4. One Evertonian scored his last goal for the club in that game. Who was he?
5. Who managed the first team to beat Everton in an FA Cup tie in the 1990s?
6. Who scored the winning goal of last season's third round tie?
7. When was the last time we played an FA Cup tie on a Sunday?
8. Who scored the winning goal of our third round tie when we won the Cup in 1995?
9. Name the four Everton captains to have lifted the FA Cup at Wembley Stadium.
10. When we won the FA Cup in 1984 which lower League team did we need three matches to beat in the fourth round?

Answers on page 27



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It has been a frantic period at Everton since our last Day by Day feature against Leeds, with physiotherapist Les Helm more overworked than most. For fans who couldn't make it to Goodison in and around Christmas, we offer a news round-up of all that has happened at Goodison Park since then...

day by day

Saturday, December 21

The last Saturday before Christmas - and we suffer a dreadful double injury blow. Craig Short falls awkwardly on his ankle and sustains ligament damage, while Andy Hinchcliffe injures his knee in a freak accident which sees him collide with an advertising hoarding at the Gwladys Street End of the stadium. Hinchcliffe bravely tries to continue, but eventually has to limp off. A specialist later diagnoses cruciate ligament damage, which will rule him out of football for the rest of this season.



Wednesday, December 25

Christmas Day, but there's no festive cheer at the Kanchelskis household. A club doctor has to rush out to Andrei's house on Christmas morning, where he is running a temperature of 103 and suffering from the debilitating effects of 'flu. He is ruled out of our Boxing Day match at Middlesbrough.

Thursday, December 26

The injury crisis builds up. Dave Watson is helped off after 14 minutes, when a challenge from Fabrizio Ravanelli leaves our skipper with suspected fractured ribs. Joe Parkinson would have been substituted at half-time with a recurrence of a knee injury, but for the fact that Watson had already gone off. Graham Allen comes on for his first team debut.

Friday, December 27

Joe Royle takes a roll call of his depleted squad at our Bellefield training ground - and is told that Joe Parkinson requires exploratory surgery on his knee to ascertain the extent of his injury.

Saturday, December 28

The injury list stretches to breaking point, with Duncan Ferguson reporting a tight hamstring after our home defeat by Wimbledon.

John Hills becomes another youngster to make his League debut, when he comes on for the final ten minutes in place of John Ebbrell.

Monday, December 30

Manager Joe Royle moves quickly to solve his team's injury crisis by snapping up Republic of Ireland defender Terry Phelan from Chelsea for £850,000. Phelan, the 29-year-old former Manchester City left-back signs a three and a half year contract.. Royle said, "I fancied signing him when he left City a year ago but our need then was not so great because Andy Hinchcliffe was doing so well. I've always admired Terry and I heard he was keen to move back north. He's got plenty of pace and experience and likes to get forward which will give us some balance on the left."



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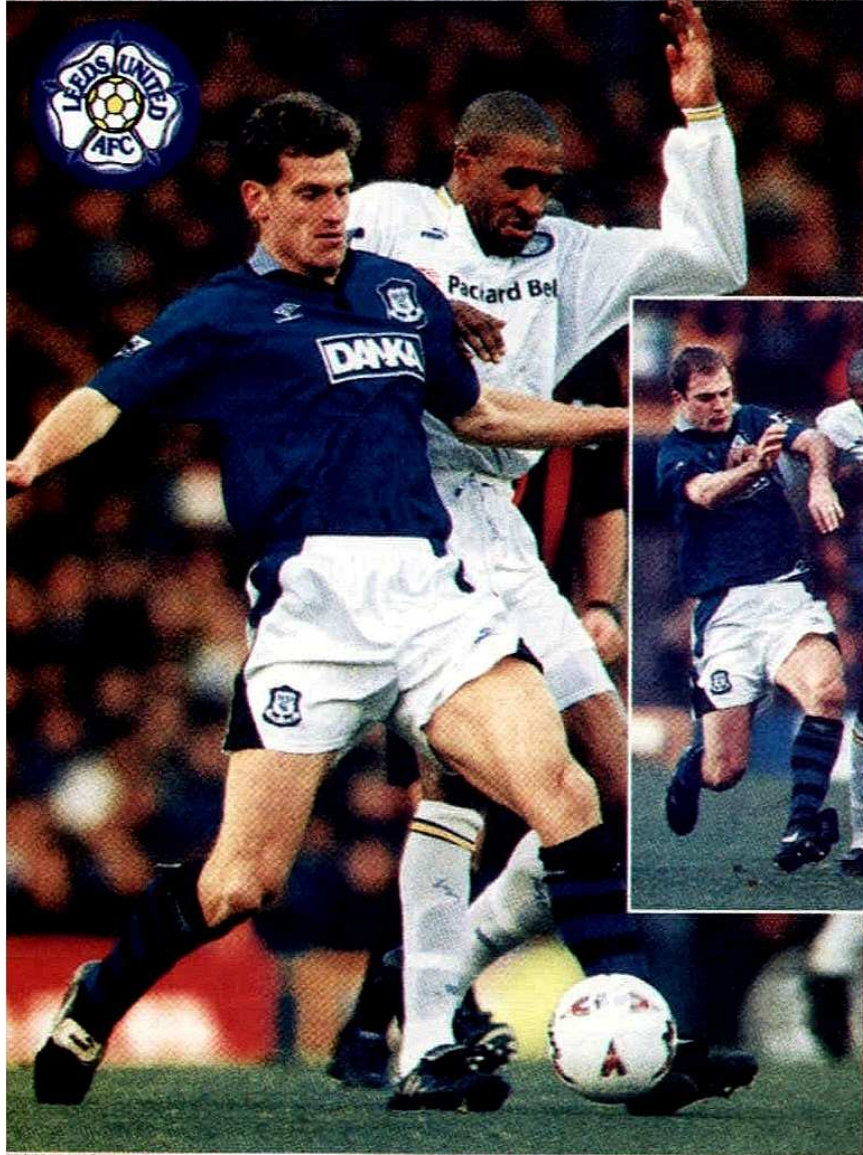
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Christmas Blues...

It was a disappointing festive period at Goodison. Leeds' doughty defending earned a 0-0 draw on the last Saturday before Christmas, then seven days later Wimbledon recovered from a half-time deficit to score three times against a patched up side and do the double over us for this season.



match
action



David Prentice of The Liverpool Echo recalls Swindon's last two visits to Goodison Park...

Joe Royle could be forgiven for feeling a little fidgety this week. You see, a Robins visit to Goodison usually means the arrival of a new Everton manager. That was the case on the only other two occasions the Wiltshire side have played here.

In 1977 Gordon Lee unveiled his oversized sheepskin coat to the Goodison crowd for the first time.

Some 17 years later Mike Walker preferred the training ground manager's uniform of a tracksuit, topped by a white hairdo with just a hint of a tint.

Both matches were memorable.

The 1977 tie was a "nearly match" for me.

I nearly made it over the Gwladys Street wall to mob dramatic match-winner David Jones.

Nearly two decades later I had managed to cross a divide where I was in contact with the players - this time as a journalist - but sadly soccer stars no longer held that heroic aura for me. A post match interview with debutant Brett Angell wasn't anywhere near as exciting as patting Andy King's sweaty back as he left a football field. That happened at Hillsborough in a League Cup Final replay, but that was a month down the line from Mr Lee's Goodison bow against Swindon.

The trouble-shooter from Newcastle United was introduced to the crowd before the match, then settled down to witness what sort of a mess he had inherited. Town were a Third Division team with a full-back called Trollope. That apart, all I can remember is that Trevor Anderson put them ahead seven minutes from time.

On the brink of an appalling upset, that most elegant of midfielders, Martin Dobson, retained his composure to glide a Mick Lyons' head-on from McNaught's free-kick into the Gwladys Street goal.

With a minute remaining, left-back David Jones embarked on the kind of adventurous over-lapping run not witnessed at Goodison since Keith Newton's day.

He raced into the penalty area, looped a shot over the goalkeeper and was almost carried home by an exuberant Gwladys Street End.

Post match speculation surrounded whether Lee deserved the credit for the victory, or whether Steve Burtenshaw had selected the side and thus secured his first win as caretaker boss.

There was no doubt that Mike Walker had selected the team which met Swindon in January 1994. His first signing as Blues' boss, Brett Angell, made his debut - and while he failed to score in a 6-2 victory, the centre-forward hinted there was more to come from him.

Sadly he had already reached his peak, as had Walker's reign.

Everton led 2-0, were pegged back to 2-2 and had the sending-off of John Moncur to thank for their victory as much as Tony Cottee's hat-trick.

Gary Ablett and John Ebbrell also scored, while Peter Beagrie completed a rout with a close range header and a traditional somersault. Of course, I was mature and worldly wise now - so I didn't race onto the pitch.

I simply got drunk at the prospect of a glorious new chapter in Everton's history.

I said mature and worldly wise, remember, not perceptive and visionary.



Everton's Bernard and Lyons fail to close down a Robins attack

EVERTON 6
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Robins in the Park



Three years ago this month, Swindon Town played at Goodison Park in a Premiership fixture but then suffered relegation for two seasons in a row before a former Evertonian sparked off a revival.

Swindon Town

Form Guide

Nearly 16 years after making his First Division debut for the Blues, Steve McMahon achieved his first success as a manager when Swindon regained some of the lost ground last season.

In winning the Second Division title with only four defeats - and as many as

13 away wins - the Wiltshire club achieved promotion for the fourth time in an eventful 11-year cycle.

They went from the old Fourth Division to the Second in successive campaigns under Lou Macari, then paused for six seasons before Glenn Hoddle, now the England coach, got them into the top flight for the first time.

The return journey was far too quick for comfort - and resulted in a change of management. Mr McMahon was unable to prevent further demotion, but a Coca-Cola Cup semi-final appearance in 1995

brightened a bleak scene before the slide was arrested. The side is now unrecognisable from the one which left the Premiership after a 5-0 home defeat by Leeds United in May 1994. Nicky Summerbee and John Moncur left that summer and the major sales account topped £3m when Jan Aage Fjortoft went to Middlesbrough in March 1995. The squad has become very much the creation of the present manager, and up to a couple of months ago, Swindon were well-placed to launch another promotion challenge.



Frederic Darras



Kevin Harlock

A 6-0 trouncing of Huddersfield Town and an impressive away win at Crystal Palace contributed to a spell of 15 points from seven games, culminating in a 3-0 victory over Barnsley to break that last unbeaten away record in England this season.

That lifted the Robins into seventh place, but the momentum drained away with five defeats in six games up to the Christmas period. A 1-0 victory at Portsmouth ended a losing streak away from home and they were in front when last Saturday's game against Grimsby was abandoned.

The Squad

Northern Ireland midfielder, Kevin Harlock, is the only first-team regular remaining from the side who played at Goodison in January 1994. The former West Ham trainee has been at the County Ground for five seasons, but on the long-service list he is some way behind former England Under-21 goalkeeper Fraser Digby, a £32,500 signing from

Manchester United. Digby recently completed ten years with the club after regaining his place from Frank Talia, an Australian Under-21 player who was signed from Blackburn in November 1995.

The defensive squad is rich in experience. Ian Culverhouse, a £250,000 buy from Norwich, played in the 1989 FA Cup semi-final against Everton and former Liverpool apprentice

Mark Seagraves appeared for Bolton in the 1995 Coca-Cola Cup Final. Summer signing, Frederic Darras won the French championship with Auxerre and Gary Elkins came out of the Premiership when moving from Wimbledon for £100,000 in September. Mark Robinson, formerly with Barnsley, and Jason Drysdale, an FA Youth Cup winner with Watford, both had spells with Newcastle before linking up with Swindon. Robinson cemented a regular place after his £600,000 transfer but Drysdale, who cost £340,000, has been unlucky with injuries.

The only home-produced defender is Wayne O'Sullivan, a Republic of Ireland Under-21 full back.

In the midfield squad, the experience scale ranges from Mark Walters, a championship winner with Rangers and Liverpool, to two former Everton trainees. Alex Smith left Goodison a year ago and Peter Holcroft played in eight reserve games for the Blues this season prior to his November move.

Walters was signed on a free transfer from Southampton - the route taken in October 1995 by Paul Allen, an FA Cup winner with West Ham and Spurs.

Scott Leitch, a £15,000 recruit from Hearts, and Lee Collins both played league football in Scotland, Kevin Watson had a taste of first-team action with Spurs, and Ty Gooden was signed in 1993 after his release by Wycombe Wanderers.

Striker Wayne Allison was top scorer with 20 goals last season, his first after a £475,000 switch from Bristol City and the other forwards came out of reserve sides at major clubs.

Peter Thorne made his only appearance for Blackburn in the 1994 FA Charity Shield match, Steve Finney had half-a-dozen games for Preston before joining Manchester City, and Steve Cowe was untried at league level until leaving Aston Villa last season.

In November, Swindon added to the squad by taking their former full back, David Kerslake, on loan from Tottenham.

Management

Steve McMahon and his No 2, Mike Walsh, spent a couple of seasons together at Everton until the latter moved on to Fort Lauderdale, Manchester City and Blackpool.

They were re-united last October when Mr Walsh, previously manager at Bury for five years, joined Swindon from the Unibond Premier League club, Barrow.

Mr McMahon's career is well-documented on Merseyside - the move to Aston Villa in 1983, the return with Liverpool in 1985 to amass numerous medals and 17 England caps, and the departure to Manchester City in 1991 for £900,000. His next stop was Swindon as player-manager in November 1994.

In Brief...

■ Kevin Horlock, capped four times by Northern Ireland, was in the side who held European champions Germany to a 1-1 draw in Nuremberg two months ago.

■ Swindon enjoyed a profitable cup run this season, beating Wolves and QPR over two legs before going out of the Coca-Cola cup in front of a near-50,000 crowd at Old Trafford.

■ Peter Thorne scored in two matches on the same day in September, playing for the Reserves at Charlton and going on as sub for the first team in a cup-tie at QPR.



Mark Robinson

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Nov 2	H	Manchester City	2-0	14,374	Allison 2
Nov 16	H	Barnsley	3-0	10,837	Walters Gooden Finney
Nov 19	A	Ipswich Town	2-3	7,086	Thorne Allison
Nov 23	A	Birmingham City	0-1	16,599	-
Nov 26	A	Sheffield United	0-2	12,301	-
Nov 30	H	Reading	3-1	10,874	Horlock Allison Walters
Dec 7	A	Charlton Athletic	0-2	10,565	-
Dec 14	A	Stoke City	0-2	10,102	-
Dec 21	H	Bolton Wanderers	2-2	8,948	Walters Allison
Dec 26	A	Portsmouth	1-0	10,605	Cowe



Swindon Town's Progress

13 points from 30. League position: Nov. 2 (7th); Dec. 28 (12th)



Swindon Town's Honours

Best in Premier League: 22nd, 1993-94
 Promoted from Division One: Play-offs, 1992-93
 Division Two Champions: 1995-96
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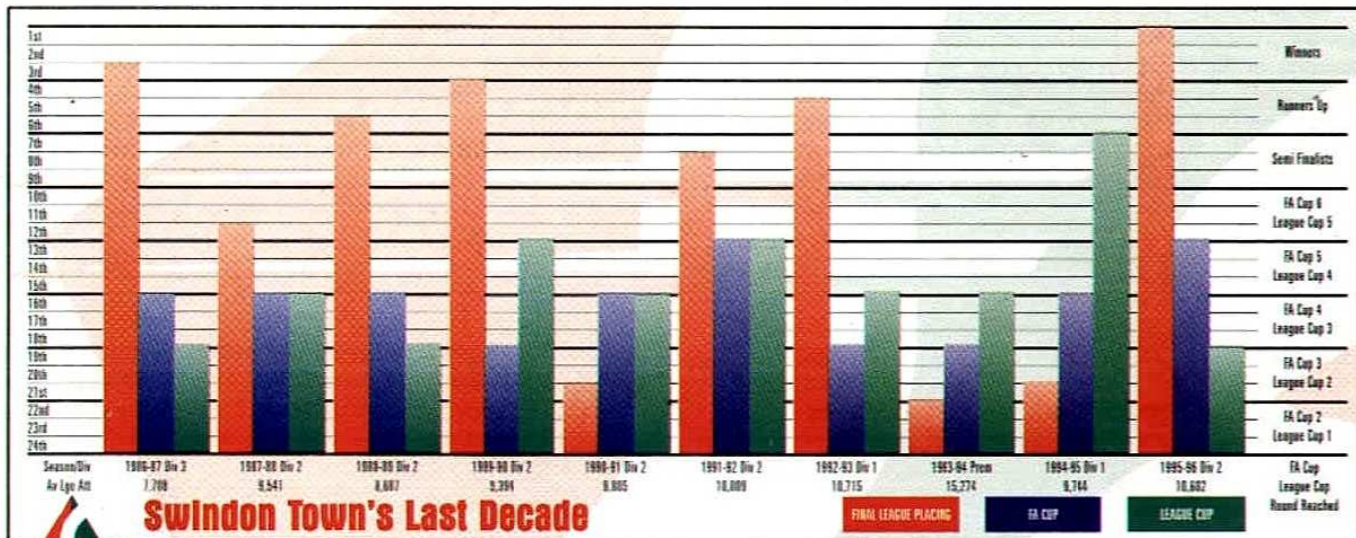
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PAUL ALLEN Aveley, 28.8.62	West Ham, Spurs, Southampton	545	32	7(5)	1
WAYNE ALLISON Huddersfield, 16.10.68	Halifax, Watford, Bristol City	353	96	25(2)	10
LEE COLLINS Bellshill, 3.2.74	Albion Rovers	54	1	3(1)	-
STEVE COWE Gloucester, 29.9.74	Aston Villa	30	5	17(6)	4
IAN CULVERHOUSE Bishop's Stortford, 22.9.64	Spurs, Norwich	369	1	20	-
FREDERIC DARRAS Calais, 19.8.66	Auxerre, Bastia	20	-	22(2)	-
FRASER DIGBY Sheffield, 23.4.67	Manchester United	358	-	10	-
JASON DRYSDALE Bristol, 17.11.70	Watford, Newcastle	163	11	6	-
GARY ELKINS Wallingford, 4.5.66	Fulham, Wimbledon	235	5	16(2)	-
STEVE FINNEY Hexham, 31.10.73	Preston, Man. City	48	15	7(7)	2
TY GOODEN Canvey Island, 23.10.72	Wycombe W.	53	6	3(4)	1
PETER HOLCROFT Liverpool, 3.1.76	Everton	1	-	(1)	-
KEVIN HORLOCK Plumstead, 1.11.72	West Ham United	159	19	29	5
DAVID KERSLAKE Stepney, 19.6.66	QPR, Swindon, Leeds, Spurs	244	7	6	-
SCOTT LEITCH Motherwell, 6.10.69	Motherwell, Dunfermline, Hearts	173	18	27	1
STEVE MCMAHON Liverpool, 20.8.61	Everton, A. Villa, Liverpool, Man. City	505	48	(1)	-
WAYNE O'SULLIVAN Cyprus, 25.2.74	-	81	3	15(4)	1
MARK ROBINSON Rochdale, 21.11.68	W.B.A., Barnsley, Newcastle	273	8	27	1
MARK SEAGRAVES Bootle, 22.10.66	Liverpool, Man. City, Bolton	245	7	18(2)	-
ALEX SMITH Liverpool, 15.2.76	Everton	12	-	1(3)	-
FRANK TALIA Melbourne, 20.7.72	Sunshine G.C., Blackburn	45	-	20	-
PETER THORNE Manchester, 21.6.73	Blackburn	74	25	13(7)	8
MARK WALTERS Birmingham, 2.6.64	A. Villa, Rangers, Liverpool, Southampton	427	96	24(1)	7
KEVIN WATSON Hackney, 3.1.74	Spurs	38	1	11(6)	1

ALSO PLAYED: Robin Hulbert 1 sub; Shaun Taylor (to Bristol City) 3(1) apps.



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Fan Survey 1995/96

■ Do you recognise the following football fan?
He's a single, white male, hasn't celebrated his 30th birthday yet and was born in Liverpool. He didn't go to university, cricket and horse racing are his second favourite sports, and the result he most looks out for after Everton's is Glasgow Celtic. He is concerned about safety when visiting Anfield and Middlesbrough, but is more optimistic about Everton's progress than he was five years ago. Sounds familiar?

According to the Sir Norman Chester Centre for Football Research, at the University of Leicester, he is the photofit of the average Everton season ticket holder. Obviously the above findings are not absolutely representative of Evertonians.

We do boast female fans and plenty who look out for Glasgow Rangers' results, but the Sir Norman Chester Centre Research was the most exhaustive of its kind so far - and it does throw up some intriguing findings.

Like...

Evertonians are more likely than any other fans in the Premiership to have supported only one club - once a Blue, always a Blue!

Only Newcastle have more fans in the Premiership who describe their club as the most important thing in their lives. And less Evertonians drive to matches in their own cars than any other group of supporters.

The FA funded research saw 39,310 season ticket holders mailed with questionnaires, producing replies from 17,208 - a reply rate of 43.8 per cent.

"We have concentrated this year on club season ticket holders," explained the survey. "This is not because more 'casual' fans are less important for research purposes, but mainly because season ticket holders constitute the most reliable data base at all clubs for the purposes of direct comparison, club by club."

"Also, more and more top clubs are, in fact, moving towards extending their season ticket base and at many top clubs season ticket holders now constitute a large majority of their regular home support."

Here at Everton we have 22,000 season ticket holders - 62.1 per cent of our average home gate.

We complied with the requests of the Sir Norman Chester Centre, who added: "17 out of the 20 Premier League clubs provided us directly with a randomly selected list of 2,000 names and addresses drawn from their current season ticket holder data base."

"Only two clubs, Liverpool and Manchester United, insisted on mailing supporters themselves, in the case of Liverpool because no usable computerised list of season ticket names and addresses exists."

"Middlesbrough inadvertently provided a list of season ticket holders and previously non-season ticket holding fans."

■ The findings from the survey, and specifically what it revealed about Evertonian season ticket holders, were:

1. The Everton survey produced responses from 911 supporters, a response rate of 30.4 per cent, a little below the national average of 35.2 per cent.
2. The Everton sample had a much younger average age than

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the national sample, with 45 per cent of Everton respondents being under 30 years of age.

3. A much smaller proportion of Everton fans were married than in the national sample, and there were also fewer female fans than is nationally the case.

4. The Everton sample contains fewer University educated fans and more fans on lower salaries than the national sample.

5. The Everton sample is strongly localised in terms of place of birth and distance lived from Goodison Park.

In the Premier League table of season ticket holders born in the town or city where their own club plays, we lie fifth with 85 per cent.

Top were Bolton Wanderers with 89.6 per cent of their fans born within 20 miles of the ground, then Blackburn Rovers with 88.6 per cent, Middlesbrough with 87.4 per cent and Newcastle with 86 per cent.

Bottom of the table was Southampton with 60.4 per cent.

We also lie high up the table for season ticket holders who live within a five mile radius of the ground - sixth with 37.7 per cent.

Again, Bolton led the way here with 62.7 per cent, with Tottenham bottom with 20.3 per cent.

84.3 per cent of our supporters surveyed were born in Merseyside, compared to the national sample of 73.9 per cent.

For those supporters who argue that Everton have more Merseyside based fans, Liverpool were top of the table for fans who live more than 50 miles from their club's home ground, with 14.3 per cent.

West Ham were next with 11.6 per cent - with Manchester United third from bottom with just 3.5 per cent. (Sceptics have pointed out that United were one of only two clubs who insisted on mailing supporters themselves!)

6. Everton fans in the sample watch more football now compared to five years ago.

7. Reported ticket prices at Everton are some way below the national average. Everton fans are also much less likely than the average national fan to have supported another club before The Toffees.

Most expensive season tickets nationally were at Chelsea (average price £383).

Cheapest was Wimbledon (£126), followed by Sheffield Wednesday (£181), Bolton Wanderers (£190), then Everton (£197).

8. Horse racing and Rugby League and Union are popular additional live sports for Everton fans, compared to the national sample. However, cricket remains the most popular alternative sport, though some way behind the rest of the sample.

9. Everton fans are less likely to use their own car to travel to home matches.

The survey showed only 52.2 per cent of Everton season ticket holders who travelled to matches in their own car, the lowest in the Premiership.

This was possibly a result of the high number of season ticket holders who lived within five miles of the ground.

10. Everton fans are very strong followers of Celtic in Scotland and Ajax abroad when compared with the national sample. Of the survey respondents, 56.3 per cent named Celtic as their favourite Scottish club, with Rangers polling 29.8 per cent, Hearts 3 per cent and Aberdeen 2.5 per cent.



The national sample had Celtic 38.8 per cent, Rangers 36.1, Hearts 3.5 and Aberdeen 3.4

Evertonians' continental favourites were Ajax, with 36.4 per cent, followed by AC Milan (11.9), Barcelona (11.6) and other Italian (15.6).

The national sample listed Ajax (32.5), AC Milan (13.5), Juventus (12.5), other Italian (13.7).

11. More Everton fans believe that value for money at football compares positively with other sports these days.

12. Family influences are easily the most important factors in explaining initial club allegiance at Everton. A much higher

proportion of Everton supporters felt that their club is "more important" than five years ago, and "one of the most important things in my life" than is nationally the case.

Less Everton season ticket holders than any others in the Premiership (5.8 per cent) began attending matches when aged 20 or over, compared to Wimbledon who topped the table of "new" fans with 45.6 per cent.

Everton also had less fans than any other club when it came to season ticket holders whose club was not the first they had supported.

Wimbledon were top here with 50.7 per cent - more than half having followed other clubs before The Dons

Evertonians were easily the top of the table for fans who supported the club because of family influences with 69.4 per cent.

Wimbledon were at the other end of the table with 22.9 per cent.

13. Stadium atmosphere is more positively rated at Goodison Park than it is nationally. Anfield and the Riverside Stadium are noted by some Everton fans as venues where they have concerns about safety.

14. Lack of space, the gradient of seating and the behaviour of supporters are all safety concerns of Everton fans who commented on this issue.

15. Racist comments are reportedly heard more often at Goodison Park compared to the national case.

16. Recent improvements in club administration are generally recognised by Everton supporters.

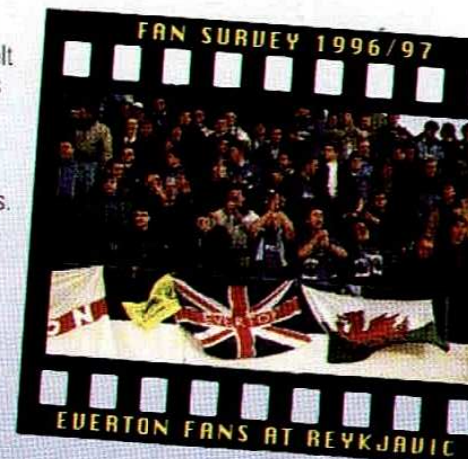
17. Club playing prospects are registered much more positively than is nationally the case.

18. Everton supporters are strongly in favour of unlimited foreign players. However, they are strongly opposed to the opening up of the Champions League to non-champion clubs.

19. Everton fans are highly critical of the current use of red and yellow cards. The

increased use of red and yellow cards is felt by Everton supporters to be both unnecessary and ineffective in protecting flair players.

20. Everton fans are strong in their subscription to Sky Sports and show a strong interest in a new channel showing 'away' matches live.



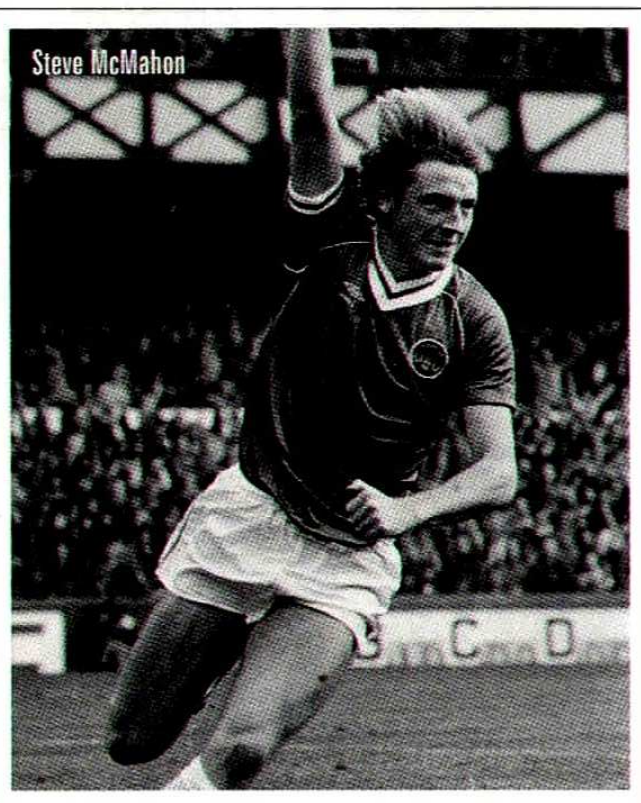
■ **Steve McMahon was a born Evertonian - and a born winner. But it was that burning ambition which eventually caused a rift between Steve and the club he supported as a boy.**

A former Goodison ball boy, McMahon signed apprentice forms at Everton in December 1977.

He made his first team debut at Sunderland in August 1980 and the following season was voted Player of the Year by supporters who appreciated his snappy tackling, powerful running and burning will to win.

He was also a regular goals contributor from midfield. He scored twice against Ipswich Town in a League Cup fourth round tie in 1981 - the second of which was a spectacular curling effort from the edge of the penalty area following a typically driving run.

Everton lost that match 3-2 - and it was McMahon's desire to win trophies, coupled with Everton's inconsistency in the early 80s, which eventually drove a wedge between him and the club.



A bright future seemed assured when he was picked to play for England under-21s against the Republic of Ireland.

His club form was also consistently good, despite indifferent results, and eventually he came to the conclusion that the only way to further his career would be to move away from the club he had always supported.

His contract expired at the end of the 1982-83 season, and even though Howard Kendall was in the process of reshaping his great Goodison side of the mid-80s, McMahon refused to sign another. Mr Kendall wanted him to stay, but McMahon wasn't short of offers from elsewhere - including firm interest from across the park at Anfield.

After discussions with his family Steve eventually opted to join Aston Villa in a £250,000 deal.

Ironically, the following season saw Everton make it to Wembley twice, lift their first piece of silverware in 14 years - and on the way to the Milk Cup Final, beat in the semi-final ... yes, you've guessed it, Aston Villa!

After a 2-0 first leg victory at Goodison Park, the Blues went

Steve McMahon

to Villa Park and lost 1-0, with Swindon old boy Paul Rideout scoring a goal which wasn't enough to pull back the aggregate deficit.

In exactly 100 League matches with Everton, Steve struck 11 goals from midfield.

He made 75 League appearances with Villa and maintained his goals record with a further seven strikes. When Liverpool finally persuaded him to move to Anfield - ensuring a rough ride every time he returned to Goodison! - he cost £375,000.

It was at Anfield that McMahon finally blossomed into a full international, winning 17 full caps to add to two B international appearances and six under-21 caps.

In his first season at Anfield he won League and Cup winners medals - a fact which never needs noting by Evertonians.

An outstanding career with Liverpool ended when Steve signed for Manchester City for £900,000 on Christmas Eve 1991.

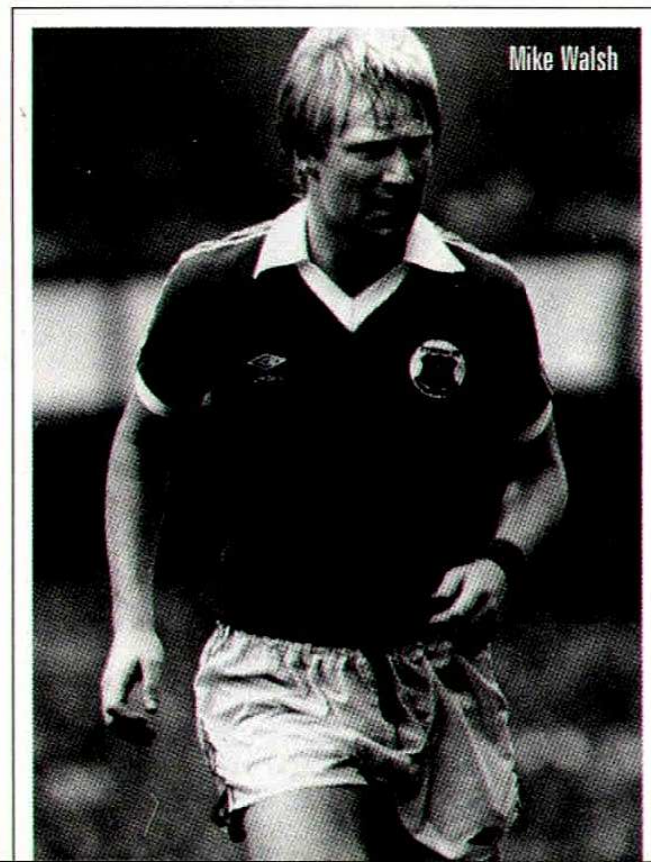
He played more than 100 games in all competitions for City before moving to Swindon Town in December 1994 - the season which saw Swindon's slide into Division Two.

As player-manager, Steve enjoyed an outstanding first full season - 1995-96 - inspiring Swindon to promotion back into Division One.

Injury forced him to direct operations from the bench during the second half of the campaign, but his side responded magnificently and in the end won the title with something to spare.

That progress has been built on this season - and while Steve may once again be directing operations from the dug-out rather than on the pitch this afternoon, he will be sure to have instilled that burning will to win into whatever side he sends out at Goodison.

We have been warned!



■ Paul Rideout will go down in Everton folklore as the man whose goal brought the FA Cup to Goodison in 1995. Almost 15 years earlier he had signed professional forms at Swindon Town. He made more than 100 appearances for the Wiltshire club, before joining Aston Villa and then Southampton, where he was loaned back to Swindon for a further 10 matches.

The current Swindon squad boasts a number of Everton connections.

Manager Steve McMahon started his outstanding playing career here, as did youngsters Peter Holcroft and Alex Smith who both moved to the County Ground in the last 12 months.

McMahon's assistant, Mike Walsh, was one of Howard Kendall's first signings as Everton manager and made 22 appearances before moving to Fort

Lauderdale in the USA.

Current Swindon youth coach, Terry Wheeldon, was a junior at Everton in the 1970s, while a decade earlier, striker Ernie Hunt kicked off his career at The County Ground before he sprang to fame, literally, with the famous donkey kick goal for Coventry against Everton! Possibly the most accomplished footballer to play for both clubs was Scottish left-back, John MacConachie. He made 270 appearances for Everton from 1907 through to 1919, before joining Swindon Town. MacConachie was a player who combined cool authority with an unusually adventurous approach to the art of defending for his era.

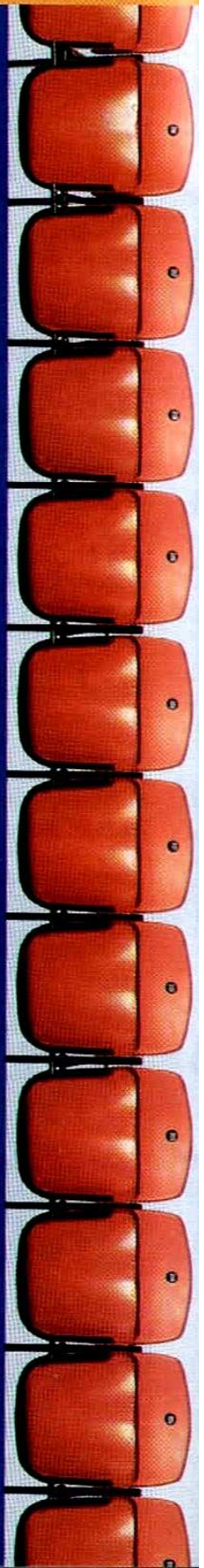
During the 1912-13 season he actually scored four goals from full-back, at a time when a defender's function was usually to punt the ball as far downfield away from danger as possible.

Tony Grant, of course, enjoyed a successful spell on-loan at Swindon last season, while M. W. Lindley made 54 appearances for Everton from 1946 through to 1951 before joining Swindon.

Last, but not least, is Mark Walters, of course.

We know he turned down a move to the Blues when he went from Aston Villa to Glasgow Rangers - but his middle name is... Everton!





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■ Ian Buchan was manager of Everton for only two seasons. His brief reign coincided with a spell when the Blues hovered in the lower region of the First Division with remarkable consistency, finishing 11th, 15th, 15th, 16th and 16th. The season 1956-57, when we finished 15th, was Buchan's first, but the Scot never enjoyed the full loyalty of his players and it was an immensely frustrating campaign.

The writing was on the wall after the first match, when Mr Buchan decided to put some of his revolutionary physical training ideas into practice.

Tommy Eglinton, a popular striker throughout the 50s, recalled: "Mr Buchan stopped the team coach two miles from Leeds ground and made us walk to keep fit. We were passing our own supporters.

"Leeds riddled us with goals in the first half, and at half-time one of our players cracked: 'It's a good job we're fitter than they are!'"

Leeds went on to win 5-1, and after further heavy defeats by Blackpool (2-5) and Aston Villa (0-4), it was our eighth league match before T.E. Jones scored to earn our first victory over Burnley.

T.E. Jones was just one of many great characters in that side.

Peter Farrell and Tommy Eglinton epitomised Everton in the 1950s.

Two decades later, when interviewed for the club's official centenary history, their memories were as fresh as ever.

Farrell said: "My one regret is that I was unable to help Everton win a major trophy during my years as captain.

"We didn't have a good side when I was at Everton, but we enjoyed our football and the supporters were marvellous. Whenever it was time to sign a new contract I would put my name to the various copies of the form without even bothering to read them. I knew the club would look after me."

Eglinton recalled: "I loved playing for Everton. There were no big heads. You would do your stuff on the pitch and then keep quiet about it. You just had your lemonade and went home.

"I'll never forget Harry Cooke, the trainer, who used to keep bits of Dixie Dean in jars... pieces of cartilage, pieces of bone. Whenever we went on a long train journey, Harry would talk about Billy all the way there and all the way back again."

The FA Cup provided a brief, but welcome distraction - as we edged past first Blackburn and then West Ham in tight Goodison ties.

Unfortunately the fifth round yielded a tie at Old Trafford, home of the revered Busby Babes and there was no repeat of the famous 1953 FA Cup defeat of Manchester United and we lost 1-0.

It was seven years and another two managers

before the glory days returned to Goodison Park, but the 50s are fondly recalled by Evertonians.

It was still an age when footballers could be seen travelling by public transport, and lacked the affluence of professional sports people today.

It was an age when there was a strong will to win, but not at any cost, and when spectators concentrated on the match and their team's performance.

It was not a golden age for results, but the supporters enjoyed their football nonetheless.

Peter Farrell



LEAGUE APPEARANCES: 42 Jimmy Tansey, 39 Tom E Jones, 36 Don Donovan, Peter Farrell, 34 Wally Fielding, 32 A McNamara, 29 Albert Dunlop, Birch, 27 Tommy Eglinton, 23 J Gauld, 22 George Kirby, 15 Ken Rea, 13 Jimmy Harris, Jimmy O'Neill, 10 H Llewellyn, 9 Graham Williams, 8 D Mayers, 7 Derek Temple, Eddie Thomas, 6 J Sutherland, 5 Cyril Lello, 4 Jimmy Payne, 3 J Glazzard, Brian Harris, W Haughey, M Woods, 2 J Thomlinson, 1 A Farrall, E Moore.

LEAGUE GOALS: 10 A McNamara, 8 George Kirby, 7 J Gauld, 6 Wally Fielding, 4 Jimmy Harris, 3 Peter Farrell, T. E. Jones, D Mayers, Derek Temple, Graham Williams, Tommy Eglinton, H Llewellyn, Jimmy Payne, Eddie Thomas, 1 K Birch, Don Donovan, W Haughey,

FA CUP: Blackburn Rovers (H) 1-0, West Ham United (H) 2-1, Manchester United (A) 0-1.





EVERTON F

Standing: E Moore, C F Lello, J Tansey, D Don

Seated: A W Fielding, B Harris, J Harris, P D F



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ovan, J O'Neill, T E Jones, J B Payne, K W Rea
Farrell, D Mayers, T J Eglington, M K Meagan



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All Dressed Up

■ Dave Hickson was on hand recently to judge a fancy dress party at Goodison Park.

Left to right: Dave Hickson; Audrey Livingstone; Rose Jones, the winner as Mystic Meg; Pat Hickson; Heather Lawson and Father Christmas.



VIP for the Day

■ John Paul Anderson was a recent VIP visitor at the Sunderland game. Nine year old John was involved in a serious car accident which left him in a coma for four weeks.

Together with his friend, Phillip Morris he met Joe Royle and all the players who wished him a speedy recovery.



Left to right, Ted Sutton, John Paul, Phillip Morris and Alan Johnson.

Supporters Clubs

■ Our Everton Supporters Clubs in Mid-Cheshire and Staffordshire are keen to recruit new members.

Both branches organise travel to home and away games and often work together to provide an excellent service for their members. Both branches are active members of the Worldwide Fan Club.

For further information contact Ken Sweeney, Everton Supporters Club Mid-Cheshire Branch, 4 Warwick Place, Winsford, Cheshire CW7 1AZ or Tim Duggan, Everton Supporters Club Staffordshire Branch, c/o St Leonards Sports and Social Club, St Leonards Avenue, Staffordshire ST17 4LX.

Wakefield Branch

The recently formed Everton Supporters Club, Wakefield Branch, are looking for new members interested in attending games home and away. Travel is by executive coach which includes wc, tv and video and has pick up points in Doncaster, Wakefield and Leeds. Anyone interested should contact Brian Wilson, 56 Potter Avenue, Lupset Estate, Wakefield, West Yorks WF2 8HE.

South Wales Branch

A brand new Everton Supporters Club branch has been formed in South Wales and organiser Mike Kempston is keen to make contact with any Evertonians interested in travel to home and away games. Mike can be contacted on 01633 666229 or by writing to 19 Oxford Street, Newport NP9 8ES.

North Cumbria Branch

I am pleased to announce the formation of a brand new Everton Supporters Club branch in North Cumbria. Anyone interested in home and away travel should contact Keith Harrison, 55 Brayton Park, Aspatria, Cumbria CA5 3DG, tel 01697 322054 or Glyn Jones, 32 Kiln Green, High Harrington, Workington, tel 01946 830 975.



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Dave's Diary

Here's hoping we can both give each other something to shout about this afternoon. The FA Cup always has a special edge for players and supporters.

■ Obviously we've endured injury crises before at Everton, but I don't think I can ever remember a spell when we've had so many, what you would call first team players all missing at the same time.

When we stepped out against Leeds just over a fortnight ago, we only had John Ebbrell and Jon O'Connor keeping Les Helm busy. During that match we lost Andy Hinchcliffe and Craig Short. Andrei Kanchelskis joined them on Christmas Day, then 24 hours later myself and Joe Parkinson picked up injuries. As if that wasn't bad enough, we knew David Unsworth was due to start a suspension against Blackburn on Wednesday and Duncan picked up a knock against Wimbledon.

Having said all that, against Wimbledon we still managed to send out a side which more than held their own against one of the early season championship challengers. By half-time there was only one team in it, but what really got to us was not so much the men we had missing, but the fact that The Dons had enjoyed Boxing Day off with their match postponed.

That meant they were able to come to Goodison refreshed and revitalised, and still itching to get a 5-0 defeat at Aston Villa out of their system.

We started well enough, but the fact that we'd had such a demanding game physically at Middlesbrough only 48 hours earlier meant that we were always going to tire at some stage. We did look a little leg weary in the last half hour and Wimbledon took advantage.

There was some talk after the Wimbledon match about the lack of atmosphere inside the stadium. It's true that footballers don't usually take that much notice of what's happening on the terraces, because you are concentrating so much on your game. But equally, when there is a noisy, encouraging atmosphere some players can be inspired by it.

The fact that today's match is a Cup tie will ensure a good atmosphere inside Goodison.

Clubs from lower divisions always bring a large and noisy following with them, and the cut and thrust nature of cup ties means our supporters get that bit more excited.

A noisy home crowd can help a team to get results. I know we have a responsibility, too, to excite the fans first - but sometimes you can do it together. Here's hoping we can both give each other something to shout about this afternoon. The FA Cup always has a special edge for players and supporters.



I've been fortunate enough to walk up those steps at Wembley and lift up the famous old trophy.

It's a feeling you can't put into words and one I would dearly love to repeat. On the other hand I've also experienced what it's like to go out of the FA Cup to a team from the division below.

Port Vale last season was one of the lowest points of my career. That's not something anyone at Goodison wants to experience again and that, as much as the prospect of taking a step along the path to Wembley, will be driving us on today against Swindon.

We know it's going to be a tough tie. But we also know that if we perform to our true potential we should be in the hat for round four.

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Bolton next in Youth Cup

■ **Advance scouting missions should serve the Young Blues well in preparation for their third-round FA Youth Cup-tie against Bolton Wanderers on Monday 13 January (7.00pm).**

Youth Development Officer Ray Hall and coach John Hurst checked on Bolton in their two previous ties. On the first occasion they were planning for a Lancashire Youth Cup meeting - which has still to be played because of bad weather - and then they watched Wanderers again after the clubs had been paired in the national competition.

"They will be strong opponents," says Ray. "We saw them beat Derby 5-0, and we know from our scouts that Derby felt they had quite a good side this year. In the next round they drew 1-1 at home with Sheffield United and then won the replay 5-4 in extra time with a hat-trick from one of their substitutes."

Most of the Blues' youth players had three weeks off prior to the scheduled resumption of Lancashire League fixtures yesterday. We hope to be at full-strength for the trip to Bolton, though the final selection will depend on first-team commitments for Michael Branch.

Swindon Connections

■ **Connections between Everton and Swindon - already documented in today's opposition feature - extended to youth level even before the two clubs were drawn together in the FA Youth Cup.**

Swindon youth coach Tommy Wheeldon, who previously worked as our representative in the South-West, arranged to bring junior teams to Bellefield shortly before Christmas for friendly matches in the Under-9, 10, 11 and 12 age groups.

Meanwhile, Steve McMahon's brother, John, who had been coaching our Under-15 side, left the Blues with

best wishes for his future success in a part-time post with the Football Association.

Madrid Mission

■ **The Blues' Under-13 squad were airborne on Boxing Day, heading for a prestigious tournament in Madrid from 27-29 December.**

The list of their group opponents was like a page from the European Hall of Fame... Real Madrid, Barcelona, Benfica and PSV Eindhoven.

Jamie Milligan in Profile

■ **The Youth Cup clash with Bolton will put midfielder Jamie Milligan in opposition to Scotland Under-17 team-mate Marco Minchella. Earlier in the season they were in their country's squad for a tournament against Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland.**

Jamie, who was 17 last Friday, was born in Blackpool and had England Schoolboy trials but established a Scottish qualification through his father.

During his schooldays, the younger Milligan represented Blackpool and Lancashire, and at week-ends he played for YMCA St Anne's. He was spotted by Blues' scout Alex Owen and invited for trials prior to signing for the club.

Last season he played in a handful of games for the 'B' team as a schoolboy, and this season, his first as a trainee, he appeared in 18 matches in all competitions up to the Christmas break. He scored four goals, including a double against Manchester City.

Jamie began his education at St Thomas School in St Anne's and then moved on to Lytham St Anne's High School. He has two sisters and their parents are Thomas and Rosalyn.

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PONTIN'S LEAGUE - Premier Div 1996/97

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester United	11	7	2	2	30	14	23
Sheffield Wed.	10	7	1	2	24	14	22
Stoke City	12	7	1	4	19	17	22
EVERTON	13	6	3	4	21	19	21
Tranmere Rovers	14	6	2	6	27	30	20
Blackburn Rovers	10	6	1	3	13	11	19
Nottingham Forest	14	5	4	5	23	27	19
Oldham Athletic	12	3	5	4	16	21	14
Birmingham City	12	3	4	5	15	16	13
Derby County	11	3	2	6	16	17	11
Bolton Wanderers	13	2	4	7	17	24	10
Leeds United	10	2	3	5	12	18	9
Liverpool	10	1	4	5	10	15	7

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LANCASHIRE LEAGUE - Division One 1996/97

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Stoke City 'A'	16	13	1	2	38	13	40
Manchester United 'A'	16	11	3	2	55	19	36
Crewe Alex Res	17	10	3	4	30	16	33
EVERTON 'A'	17	8	6	3	35	26	30
Liverpool 'A'	15	7	2	6	24	20	23
Tranmere Rovers 'A'	17	6	4	7	25	34	22
Burnley 'A'	14	6	1	7	26	25	19
Blackburn Rovers 'A'	16	5	4	7	27	27	19
Morecambe Res	15	5	2	8	23	38	17
Wrexham 'A'	14	4	3	7	20	22	15
Oldham Athletic 'A'	14	4	3	7	18	27	15
Marine Reserves	15	3	6	6	13	31	15
Preston N E 'A'	13	4	2	7	13	33	14
Bolton Wanderers 'A'	15	3	2	10	21	26	11
Bury 'A'	14	3	2	9	11	22	11

Up to and including Wednesday 18th December 1996

PONTIN'S LEAGUE FIXTURES Premier Div 1996/97

Date	V	Opponents	Res
Aug 22	H	Bolton W	1-1
Aug 28	A	Man Utd	2-5
Sep 5	H	Derby County	1-4
Sep 11	A	Leeds United	2-0
Sep 25	A	Tranmere R	1-0
Oct 1	H	Liverpool	2-1
Oct 5	A	Blackburn R	0-1
Oct 24	A	Oldham Ath	2-2
Nov 12	A	Birmingham C	0-0
Nov 21	H*	Nott'm Forest	2-3
Nov 26	A	Stoke City	2-0
Dec 10	H*	Leeds Utd	3-2
Dec 17	A	Derby County	3-0
Jan 21	A	Sheffield Wed	
Feb 4	H*	Oldham Ath	
Feb 12	H*	Sheffield Wed	
Feb 25	H*	Birmingham C	
Mar 6	A	Nott'm Forest	
Mar 18	H*	Stoke City	
Mar 25	H	Man Utd	
Apr 2	A	Bolton W	
Apr 15	H	Blackburn R	
Apr 26	A	Liverpool	
May 6	H	Tranmere R	

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RESERVE APPEARANCES 1996/97

Player	Apps	Gl	Player	Apps	Gl
Graham Allen	13	-	Matt Jackson	4	-
Michael Ball	11(1)	-	Phil Jevons	3	-
Michael Branch	6	3	Chris Lane	-(1)	-
Danny Cadamarteri	3	1	Anders Limpar	7	-
Richard Dunne	9	-	Gavin McCann	4(5)	1
John Ebbrell	3	-	Neil Moore	9	-
Duncan Ferguson	1	-	Jonathan O'Connor	2	-
Paul Gerrard	12	-	Paul Rideout	8	6
Tony Grant	6	1	Craig Short	3	-
Mark Grugel	1(1)	-	James Speare	1	-
John Hills	5(1)	1	Vinny Samways	7	1
Peter Holcroft	8	3	Graham Stuart	2	-
Marc Hottiger	10	-	Richard Townsend	4(2)	1
Eddie Hussin	1	-			

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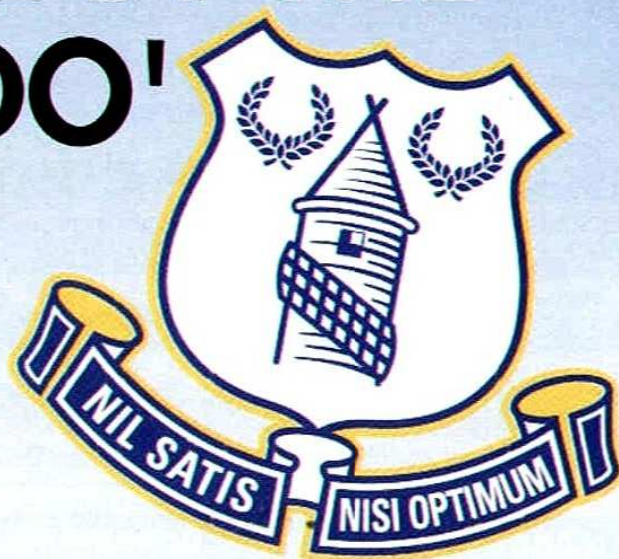
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Everton Girls' Half-Year Review

■ When we launched our junior girls football teams in the summer we did not realise the depth of talent we had at our disposal. In little over six months

all three age groups have picked up trophies and are handily placed to pick up more silverware at the end of the season.

The under 12s, coached by John Williams and Neil Currie, have attracted most of the headlines with their exploits in the Reebok Fives but the under 14s, who are coached by Judith Hughes, have matched them all the way. In August they overcame some tricky opposition to qualify for the finals of the Merseyside Police 5-a-side competition and in September they lifted the trophy by beating Tranmere Rovers in the final at Haig Avenue.

In the Lancashire League they began their campaign with a 4-4 draw at Bolton Girls and have since won ten consecutive games to leave them clear at the top of the league with only Stockport Ladies A capable of preventing them from reaching the Championship play-offs. Their style of football has earned them many admirers and this very young squad of girls has been a credit to the club.

In recognition of their success, Jenny Robinson and Karen Quinn have been selected for the Liverpool City representative squad.

The under 16s have had a frustrating time after being refused entry into the Sefton Girls League and have had to make do with the occasional friendly game.

The quality of the players we have at under 16 was shown when they won the Merseyside International Youth Football Festival in August, beating Sefton League Champions Brazil 3-2 in the final. They were also awarded the "Fair Play Trophy" and Joanne Olsen picked up an award for being the top goal scorer. Striker Joanne Edwards has since progressed to the Everton Ladies squad and is awaiting trials for the Welsh under 18 squad which is due to tour Australia. The under 12s have been relentless in the quest for honours. In their first competition together they became the Reebok Fives North West champions and progressed to the all England finals where they were beaten in the final by Barnsley FITC. However, they still qualified for the UK finals and gained ample revenge by beating that same Barnsley team in the final at Bolton. The team also reached the final

girl talk

WITH TERRIANNE McGRATH

of the Sefton Sportslink 5-a-side but were beaten 1-0 by local rivals Seville.

In the Lancashire League they have swept aside all opposition, winning all twelve league games and virtually assuring themselves a place in the Championships play-off against Blackpool based BJFF.

Everton Under 12s Lauren Carubia, Rochelle Woodward, Liz

Winsor, Helen Morgan, Joanne Traynor and Laura Keeley were all members of the Sefton Girls team which won the Football Gold Medal at the Merseyside Youth Games.

Nicky Davis in Profile

■ Twenty nine-year-old football coach, Nicky Davis arrived at the Blues by way of Doncaster Belles two months ago, and made her presence felt with the equaliser against Croydon at Marine. Her first goal for the team, just happened to be one of the best of the season!

A great run down the left, a quick cut inside and then a superb hook over her shoulder, and past the stranded Croydon 'keeper. A current Welsh international, Nicky was involved in the game last month that saw the Welsh beat Scotland 2-0, Everton team-mate Louise Thomas scored one of the goals in that victory. Nicky is pleased to be involved with the Blues' set-up, and, like many in the side, feels that the squad in place at the moment should bring the club some success in the coming year.



Diary Dates '97

January 5	Sherborne - FA Cup Rnd 4	Away
January 12	Millwall Lionesses	Home
January 19	Liverpool Ladies	Away
January 26	Tranmere Rovers	Away
Home Matches at Marine FC, College Road, Crosby, off Crosby Road		

half-time quiz

ANSWERS FROM PAGE 5

1. David Jones, 2. Brett Angell, 3. Tony Cottey, 4. Peter Beagrie, 5. Joe Royle, who was Oldham manager when the Latics won a fifth round second replay 2-1, 6. John Ebbrell at Stockport County, 7. Last season, when we met Stockport County in the third round, 8. Andy Hinchcliffe against Derby County, 9. Dave Watson, Kevin Ratcliffe, Brian Labone and Dixie Dean, 10. Gillingham.

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First love: My family and football.

First goal: It was for Manchester City against Birmingham City at Maine Road, a game we won 1-0. I was 20 yards out and it was a typical defender's goal. I didn't know what to do with the ball so I just hit it, and it went in!

First match: It was for Manchester City again, this time at Crystal Palace.

First match watched: St Mirren. My dad wouldn't take me to watch Celtic because I was too young, so my first game was at Love Street. After that I started watching Celtic.

First football hero: Jimmy Johnstone.

First team supported: Glasgow Celtic.

First record bought: It was probably Martha Reeves and The Vandellas, Dancing in the Street.

...AND LASTS

Last book read: I'm reading about six at the moment. The last one I finished was a biography of the most famous American Football coach, Vince Lombardi.

Last film you really enjoyed: Babe

Last funny thing you heard or saw at Everton: Let's just say it was a certain goalkeeper turning up at Goodison to collect his free Christmas hamper, which another goalkeeper had told him all the players received every year! Needless to say there was nothing there for him.

Last record bought: Pink Floyd - Wish You Were Here.

SCREEN TEST

Who would play you if a film were made of your life story? I get so much stick about the haircut I had when I was a player at Manchester City, I suppose it would have to be Dave Hill, the lead guitarist from Slade!

And who would be your leading lady? Tina Turner

FIRSTS

■ Goodison Park has boasted bigger attendances this season than we've seen for years. At the same time here has also been a more subdued atmosphere, something a number of observers have picked up on in recent weeks. The question of crowd atmosphere is something our first team coach, Willie Donachie, has strong feelings about.

"The fans have been great the whole time I have been here," he says "but I believe there have been two occasions when they have actually won the game.

"The last match of last season against Aston Villa I felt the crowd actually won the game.

"It was a tight match and they really lifted the team.

"The other was the semi-final against Spurs. The crowd gave the players such a boost that day.

"I would like to emphasise how important the fans can be to footballers - more important than they probably realise.

"The fans can go a long way towards helping us achieve success here at Everton.

"When I was playing, if the crowd got behind you personally it made you feel 10 feet tall. It can make a player do wondrous things. It makes them jump higher, run faster and run through brick walls.

"The players here are all honest and always give one hundred percent. The fans have been great, but I would like to see it more often."

A profound football thinker, Willie is also a student of the European game - and believes we still have plenty to do in this country to resurrect the glory years of the 1970s for English clubs in Europe. "I don't think the ban affected English clubs all that much. I think it is used as an excuse for our failings now," he explained.

"The demise has been coming for a long time. In the 1950s, when England lost to Hungary, people said we had to get more skilful



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because England had been given a footballing lesson.

"But nothing has changed.

"The FA has been saying for 25 to 30 years that we should be bringing kids up on small sided games, which is one way forward. But the British public, Sunday League and school teams haven't been prepared to change.

"The British are always arrogant and think they don't need to learn from anyone else.

"When I was at Oldham I went to all the schools in the area and they were keen on changing from 11-a-side games. But the four main schools in the town called an extraordinary general meeting and overturned the decision.

"Because they had been winning all the cups they said they wanted to keep the 11-a-side games.

"That shows how hard it is to change things.

"The first country I went to, to study football was Denmark. It's a small country, yet they were winning the European Championship and getting to the World Cup Finals.

"I wondered how they were always doing this and producing so many good players. Basically they always work with the ball and from an early age they work on keeping possession. It is so simple it's untrue.

"The Scandinavian countries took the best things from the British game and moved on to look at other countries like Spain, Italy and France to see what they could learn.

"You have got to want to get better, or you just go backwards.

"It has got to be from the kids and that will take a while. It is already starting now because a lot of clubs have a school of excellence where the standard of coaching and training is better.

"But there is still massive room for improvement. Once they get that right, I think British teams will beat continental teams again.

"British teams are braver and stronger, but they don't have the understanding or technique at the moment.

"Combine that with the qualities we do have and we could be successful in Europe again."

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JOE ROYLE

■ The journey from youngest first-team player to the manager's office at Bellefield took almost 29 years and spanned over 1,000 matches in league football.



Along the way Joe Royle won six England caps and a Championship medal, and savoured the magic of Wembley in major cup finals as player and manager, winning the League Cup with Manchester City in 1976. In all, he was away from Goodison Park for

20 years, but the

memory of one of the club's finest centre forwards burned brightly until his return as manager. No-one was likely to forget a man who scored 119 goals in his 275 first-team appearances.

"Big Joe" was "Boy Joe", three months short of his 17th birthday, when he made his debut at Blackpool in January 1966. The first goals arrived in his third match, but that was more than a year later in a 3-1 win against Chelsea at Goodison. In 1967-68 he took over the No 9 jersey, previously worn by the likes of Alex Young and Fred Pickering, and scored 20 goals in his first full season. Three of these came in the FA Cup run to Wembley, but the Final against West Bromwich Albion was a massive disappointment for all Evertonians.

The championship season in 1969-70 was his best for the Blues, with 23 league goals, and in 1971

he won the first of his England caps against Malta. He had also represented his country at Youth level and in ten Under-23 internationals.

In later years he was troubled by a back

injury, and though he completed a century of league goals in August 1974, he was on his way to Manchester by Christmas Eve that year.

After three years at Maine Road, he moved to Bristol City, scoring four goals on his debut, and finally closed a league career of 152 goals with an injury-shortened spell at Norwich.

At the age of 33, he began looking for a new job, and in July 1992, he was appointed manager of Oldham Athletic. Over the next 12 years he would guide the club to their highest standing in more than half-a-century.

A League Cup Final appearance in 1990 was followed by the Division Two title a year later. He was linked with Everton on several occasions and eventually returned in November 1994, sealing the re-union with the FA Cup triumph at the end of that season.

Born: Liverpool, 8th April 1949.

EVERTON CAREER RECORD

League		Cup		Total	
Apps	Gl's	Apps	Gl's	Apps	Gl's
229(3)	102	43	17	272(3)	119

BOB LATCHFORD

■ To secure the services of Bob Latchford, Everton had to fork out a record fee of £350,000 and ultimately part with two of the club's outstanding servants. Howard Kendall went to Birmingham City as part of the Latchford deal in February 1974, and Joe Royle was sold later in the year after a brief partnership with the newcomer from the Midlands.

Birmingham-born Latchford was one of three footballing brothers, but whereas Dave and Peter were goalkeepers for Birmingham and Celtic, respectively, Bob chose to make life unpleasant for members of their profession.

And he did that with spectacular results, scoring 263 goals in his 613 league and cup appearances for Birmingham, Everton, Swansea, Coventry, Lincoln and Newport.

Past Masters

In a 25-year period - from the successful Sixties to the next golden era in the 1980s - three centre forwards contributed a remarkable total of more than 400 goals for the club...

He also had a short spell in Holland with NAC Breda. As a youngster, he represented South Birmingham Boys and Warwickshire County Schools before signing for Birmingham in May 1967. He made his league debut two years later and went into the England Youth team. At St Andrew's he linked up with a brilliant teenager by the name of Trevor Francis. They were destined to play for England, and today they are working together at Birmingham. On becoming manager last summer, Mr Francis put his former team-mate in charge of youth development. In the Everton years, Bob was closest to club success when playing in the 1977 League Cup Final, and on an individual basis, his greatest triumph was to score 30 league goals in 1977-78. He was the first player to achieve this distinction in the top division for six years. He completed a century of league goals for the Blues in six years and scored five times in his 12 appearances for England. Yet, for a man with such a prolific record, Bob was unlucky in terms of major honours. His highest award was in helping Birmingham City to win promotion in 1971-72, a season in which he registered 30 goals in all competitions. After closing his league career on loan at Newport, he played for Merthyr Tydfil and then went into the world of commerce. Before re-joining Birmingham last year, he held a national PR post with Ladbroke's.

Born: Birmingham: 18th January 1951.

EVERTON CAREER RECORD

League		Cup		Total	
Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
235(1)	106	51(2)	32	286(3)	138

GRAEME SHARP

■ In the way that Bob Latchford stepped into Joe Royle's boots, Graeme Sharp was waiting in the line of succession when Latchford went to Swansea City for £125,000 in 1981. The Scotsman had then been at the club for 15 months since his £120,000 move from Dumbarton but had started only three league games before Howard Kendall made him the regular No 9 from November 1981.

He finished that season as top scorer with 15 league goals, won his only Under-21 cap against England at Maine Road, and

was voted Player of the Year by the Supporters' Club. Thereafter his place was only threatened by the signing of Andy Gray in 1983, but after a sticky period in the middle of that season, Graeme linked up with his fellow-Scot, and they were to score the goals which brought the FA Cup to Goodison.

The following season proved to be the finest in Everton's history, and yet Graeme could have missed out on the glory. Dropped after scoring against Coventry, he was on the point of asking for a transfer, but that was forgotten after an immediate recall when Gray was injured. A month later he scored one of the most stunning goals ever seen in a derby match. The victory at

Anfield was one of six in succession in the First Division, and in that period, the Blues reached the last eight in the Cup-winners' Cup.

When the season was over, Sharp had scored 31 goals and was the proud possessor of championship and European medals. To cap it all, he made his full international debut for Scotland in Iceland, only 48 hours after a league outing at Coventry.

In the next season, he formed a new partnership with Gary Lineker, and in the summer of 1986, they represented their countries in the World Cup in Mexico. Another championship followed in 1987, and as the years rolled by, Graeme became Everton's highest goal-scorer of the post-war period.

He played in four FA Cup Finals, though only the first brought a winners' medal, and also appeared at Wembley in finals of the League Cup and Simod Cup. The parting, after 11 years, came in 1991 with a transfer to Oldham Athletic, and once more, one Everton centre forward was to replace another when he became the Latics' manager in succession to Joe Royle.

Born: Glasgow, 16th October 1960.

EVERTON CAREER RECORD

League		Cup		Total	
Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
306(16)	111	119(5)	47	425(21)	158

*Sharp's record includes all first-team matches, including the FA Charity Shield.



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Name: Nicholas Barmby.

Debut: November 4, 1996 v Coventry City.

Appearances: Ten (up to and including Blackburn Rovers on January 1, 1997).

Goals: Two.

Other appearances: Tottenham Hotspur 81 (6 sub) Premier League; 19 (2 sub) Cup. 27 goals.

Middlesbrough 42 Premier League, 7 Cup. 10 goals.

First Everton goal: v Southampton, November 16 in 7-1 win.

Honours: 10 full England caps, one B cap and 3 under-21 caps. Nick was also capped at England youth and England schoolboy level.

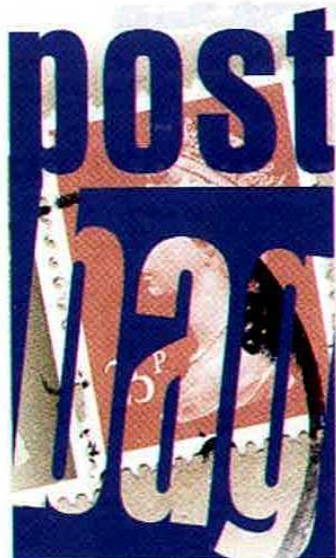
Other details: After scoring twice for England v China last summer, the watching Pele tipped Nick for future stardom on the world stage.

You may also have read that Nick was a Liverpool supporter as a youngster, but he assures us that the first team he followed was his home town team Hull City!

Nick Barmby

on the spot





■ Dear Editor
I am a season ticket holder in the family enclosure, where I sit with my two friends and their sons. I am very disappointed that every home game we seem to get outshouted by the away fans. We sing for about half-a-minute and that seems to be it. If we want our side to get anywhere they need support from us from start to finish.

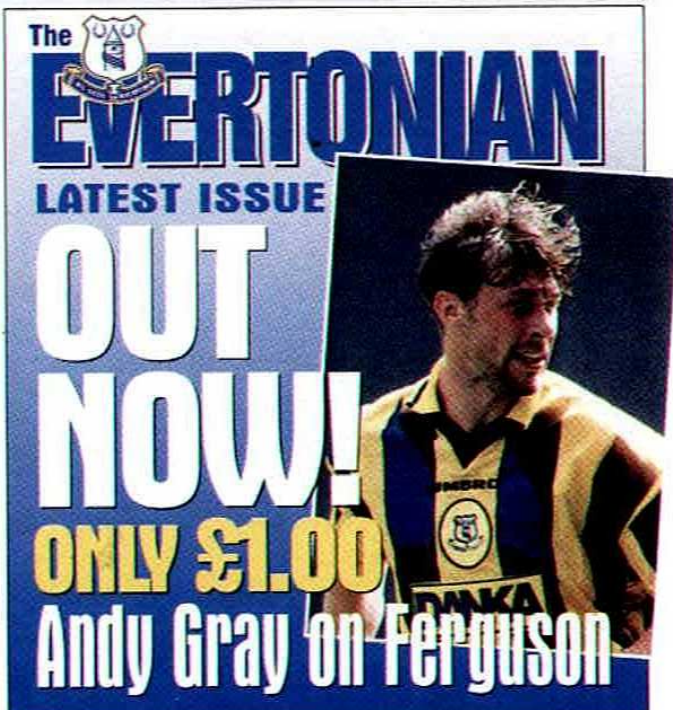
Let each game be like a Cup Final, so that our younger players get used to the atmosphere which we have when we play big matches against sides like Newcastle and Liverpool. Come on you Blues! Let's sing for our team not at one or two matches each season - but at every match!
We have to lift the roof off the ground. I felt very bad at the Sunderland game, where their fans were noisy all the way through. Let's get behind the team everyone - starting today!

Andrew Kirby
Liverpool 11



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Dear Editor

Firstly, I would like to pass my tender regards to you. I know you might be surprised to receive a letter from a stranger. In the meantime I would like to say here in Zimbabwe we are fine.

I have watched Everton on telly many times and I really enjoy the way the team plays. I would love to have a penpal who is an Everton supporter who could keep me updated with the latest news at Everton.

I am a boy aged 15 who has been a fan since I was 10 years old. My favourite players are Andrei Kanchelskis and Anders Limpar. I will be glad if I can get a pen-friend.

Yours faithfully

Mandla Masuku

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Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, Africa

Obituary

We wish to report the sad loss of Richie Morris, a True Blue from birth. Richie was a valued member of staff at Goodison Park. He passed away recently after a short illness and will be missed by all at Everton Football Club.

Blue Christmas...

Everton's mail order business this Christmas demonstrated the Blues' universal appeal.

Tens of thousands of parcels were delivered across the UK and throughout the world. At home they arrived in over 200 English towns and cities, 55 Irish towns, 32 Welsh and 11 Scottish.

Worldwide, the countries receiving Blue mail were South Africa, Ghana, Iceland, USA, Israel, Gibraltar, Germany, Australia, Italy, Saudi Arabia, Malta, Austria, Japan, Holland, Finland, Canada, Poland, New Zealand, Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, Norway and France.

TOFFEE PAGES - THE POST-WAR YEARS

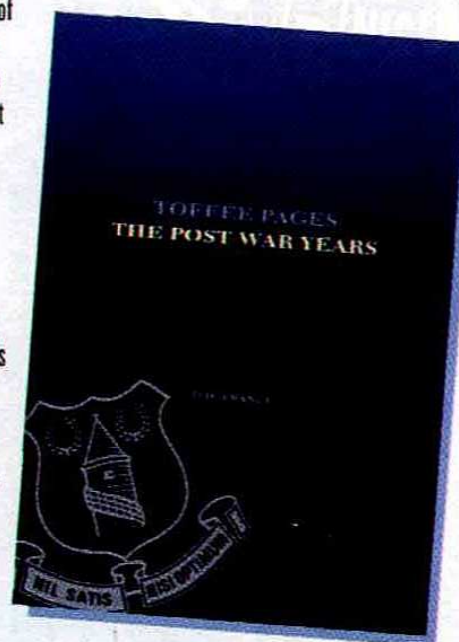
A new book, Toffee Pages - The Post-War Years, intended for supporters of all ages with a passion for football and a fascination with Everton's history will be published in early March.

Toffee Pages describes the post-war years at Goodison Park through writings in nearly 3,000 football programmes home and away. This treasure-chest of information traces the evolution of the club from Tommy Lawton to Andrei Kanchelskis and details the comings and goings of great players like Peter Farrell, Bobby Collins, Alan Ball and Gary Lineker. The book chronicles the FA Cup successes of 66, 84 and 95 and Division 1 triumphs of 62/63, 69/70, 84/85 and 86/87 as well as the tears of the more frustrating campaigns.

Toffee Pages provides season-by-season accounts of the changing faces and contents of programmes involving Everton from the spartan issues available immediately after World War II to the award-winning magazines which are the pride of Goodison Park today. The book catalogues all Everton first-team programmes from 45/46 to 95/96 and includes illustrations of over 200 of the rarer programmes. The first edition of the hardback book will be limited to 1,200 copies and is available for £19.95 plus £1.55 postage and packaging from Everton Football Club.

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Dave Prentice,
The Liverpool Echo.



Swindon Town Mascots

FELIX SMITH

aged 14. Felix attends St Francis School in Pewsey and his hobbies include football, tennis and computers.

PATRICK FAGAN

aged 14 from Swindon. Patrick attends St Joseph's Upper School and is a striker for Westbourne Youths.



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Player/Birthplace/D.O.B.	1996-97		Everton Career		Other Career	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
GRAHAM ALLEN Farnworth, 8.4.77	(1)	-	(1)	-	-	-
NICK BARMBY Hull, 11.2.74	10	2	10	2	129	28
EARL BARRETT Rochdale, 28.4.67	21	-	46	-	317	8
MICHAEL BRANCH Liverpool, 18.10.78	7(6)	1	8(8)	1	-	-
RICHARD DUNNE Dublin, 21.9.79	-	-	-	-	-	-
JOHN EBBRELL Bebington, 1.10.69	7	-	207(10)	13	-	-
DUNCAN FERGUSON Stirling, 27.12.71	14(2)	4	52(5)	16	91	30
PAUL GERRARD Heywood, 22.1.73	(1)	-	(1)	-	119	-
TONY GRANT Liverpool, 14.11.74	11(5)	-	23(11)	1	3	1
JOHN HILLS Blackpool, 24.4.78	(1)	-	(1)	-	-	-
ANDY HINCHCLIFFE Manchester, 5.2.69	18	1	155(10)	7	112	8
MARC HOTTIGER Lausanne, 7.11.67	2(2)	-	11(2)	1	39	1
ANDREI KANCHELSKIS Kirovograd, 23.1.69	18	4	50	20	123	28
ANDERS LIMPAR Solna, 24.9.85	1(1)	-	51(15)	5	96	17
NEIL MOORE Liverpool, 21.9.72	-	-	4(1)	-	35	-
JONATHAN O'CONNOR Darlington, 28.10.76	-	-	3(1)	-	-	-
JOE PARKINSON Eccles, 11.6.71	19	-	79(2)	3	149	7
TERRY PHELAN Manchester, 16.3.67	1	-	1	-	336	2
PAUL RIDEOUT Bournemouth, 14.8.64	2(3)	-	84(23)	29	256	81
CRAIG SHORT Bridlington, 25.6.68	11(3)	2	33(4)	4	310	22
GARY SPEED Hawarden, 8.9.69	21	6	21	6	248	39
NEVILLE SOUTHALL Llandudno, 16.9.58	2	-	169	-	5	-
GRAHAM STUART Tooting, 24.10.70	16(3)	5	89(17)	20	87	14
DAVID UNSWORTH Preston, 16.10.73	19(1)	4	95(7)	10	-	-
DAVE WATSON Liverpool, 20.11.61	12	-	350(2)	21	212	11

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OTHER PROFESSIONALS: MICHAEL BALL, Liverpool, 2.10.79; DANNY CADAMARTERI, Bradford, 12.10.79; EDDIE HUSSIN, Liverpool, 13.12.77; PHILLIP JEVONS, Liverpool, 1.8.79; GAVIN McANN, Blackpool, 10.1.78; RICHARD MOORE, Scunthorpe, 2.9.77; CHRIS PRICE, Liverpool, 24.10.75; JAMES SPEARE, Liverpool, 5.11.76; RICHARD TOWNSEND, Chester, 5.5.78; ROBERT TYNAN, Birkenhead, 13.1.78.

Everton Roll Call Info

1st Line: Premiership and Football League games. 2nd Line: Cup games (including FA Cup, Football League knock-out competitions, Europe, FA Charity Shield, Screen Sport Super Cup and Mercantile Centenary Trophy.) Other Career figures include the above competitions as well as Scottish League and Cup appearances, and games while on loan from Everton.

Facts & Figures

OUR FULL RECORD AGAINST SWINDON TOWN IS:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Premiership	2	1	1	0	7	3
FA Cup	4	2	1	1	10	6
TOTAL	6	3	2	1	17	9

FA Cup Meetings

ROUND 4

1911-12 Swindon 2 (Jefferson Bown) Everton 1 (Makepeace)
Swindon, then in the Southern League, lost to Barnsley in the semi-final.

ROUND 4

1962-63 Swindon 1 (Smith) Everton 5 (Vernon 2 Bingham Gabriel Morrissey)
Everton went out in Round 5 but won the Championship.

ROUND 4

1976-77 Swindon 2 (Syrett Stroud) Everton 2 (McKenzie Latchford)

ROUND 4 REPLAY

1976-77 Everton 2 (Dobson Jones) Swindon 1 (Anderson)
Everton reached the semi-final.

Premier Meetings

Saturday 16th October 1993

SWINDON TOWN 1 EVERTON 1

Scorers - Swindon: Taylor. Everton: Beagrie

HT 0-1 Attendance: 14,414

SWINDON: Digby, Summerbee, Taylor, MacLaren, Fenwick, Nijholt, Moncur, Ling (Horlock), Maskell (Fjortoft), Mutch, Bodin.

EVERTON: Southall, Jackson, Hinchcliffe, Watson, Ablett, Ward, Ebbrell, Cottee, Rideout (sub: Barlow; sub: Preki), Horne, Beagrie.



John Ebbrell was a goal scorer in Everton's 6-2 defeat of Swindon Town in January 1994.

Saturday 15th January 1994

EVERTON 6 SWINDON TOWN 2

Scorers - Everton: Ebbrell, Cottee 3 (1 pen), Ablett, Beagrie. Swindon: Moncur, Bodin.

HT 2-0 Attendance: 20,546

EVERTON: Southall, Jackson, Hinchcliffe, Snodin, Ablett, Ward, Ebbrell, Cottee (sub: Barlow), Angell, Horne, Beagrie.

SWINDON: Hammond, Summerbee, Taylor, Whitbread, Fenwick, Horlock (sub: Nijholt), Moncur, Ling, Scott (sub: Fjortoft), Mutch, Bodin.

FA Carling Premiership 1996-97

	ATTENDANCE		P	HOME					AWAY					Pts
	High	Att		W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	
LIVERPOOL	40751	39647	22	6	4	1	23	10	6	2	3	15	10	42
ARSENAL	38264	37577	21	7	4	0	26	10	4	3	3	13	10	40
MANCHESTER UTD	55210	54972	20	7	3	1	22	8	3	5	2	20	17	38
NEWCASTLE UTD	36579	36491	21	7	2	2	30	12	4	2	4	8	10	37
WIMBLEDON	25786	15304	19	6	2	1	18	10	5	2	3	15	13	37
ASTON VILLA	38339	36749	21	6	2	2	16	7	4	3	4	13	12	35
CHELSEA	28401	27738	21	5	5	1	19	13	4	3	3	14	16	35
EVERTON	40117	36,412	21	4	2	5	17	14	3	5	2	12	15	28
SHEFFIELD WED	30883	22555	20	3	6	1	9	7	3	4	3	12	15	28
TOTTENHAM H	32999	30652	20	4	3	3	11	9	4	1	5	11	17	28
SUNDERLAND	22037	20154	21	4	4	2	12	8	2	2	7	9	22	24
COVENTRY CITY	23021	18835	21	3	4	4	12	13	2	4	4	10	14	23
DERBY COUNTY	18082	17712	20	4	3	3	11	10	1	5	4	9	15	23
LEICESTER CITY	21134	20189	20	3	2	5	10	16	3	3	4	10	11	23
LEEDS UTD	39981	33329	21	4	1	5	9	12	2	3	6	7	15	22
WEST HAM UTD	25064	22580	20	4	3	4	12	13	1	3	5	6	13	21
BLACKBURN R	29598	25079	19	3	2	4	9	10	1	6	4	10	12	20
MIDDLESBROUGH	30215	29922	21	3	4	3	17	15	1	2	8	8	25	18
NOTT'M FOREST	27771	22555	20	1	5	4	7	16	1	3	6	12	20	17
SOUTHAMPTON	15253	15133	20	4	2	4	18	11	0	2	8	10	26	16

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1996/97**
KEY TO SYMBOLS & ABBREVIATIONS

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22	Substitute: Player Replaced Goals Scored
	FAC = FA Cup
	CCC = Coca Cola Cup
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CARLING PREMIERSHIP

SHEFFIELD W. V EVERTON

Saturday 11 January 1997

Kick Off 3.00 pm

Stand tickets priced £13.00 (£9.00 juniors/OAP) are available from the Park End Box Office.



CARLING PREMIERSHIP

ARSENAL V EVERTON

Sunday 19 January 1997

Kick Off 4.00 pm

Stand tickets priced £13.00 (no concessions) are on general sale from the Park End Box Office.



CARLING PREMIERSHIP

NEWCASTLE U. V EVERTON

Wednesday 29 January 1997

Kick Off 7.45 pm

Stand tickets priced £18.50 (£13.00 junior/OAP) will be available to Seasonal Membership holders only upon production of voucher no 40 from the Park End Box Office at 9.30 am on Monday 6 January.



CARLING PREMIERSHIP

EVERTON V NOTT'M FOREST

Saturday 1 February 1997

Kick Off 3.00pm

Sales will commence from the Park End Box Office at 9.30 am on Monday 6 January. Supporters are reminded that the Dial-A-Seat Service will operate for this game.

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LITTLE ODDS

SWINDON TOWN V EVERTON

POSSIBLE 3rd ROUND REPLAY

Wednesday 15 January 1997

Kick Off 7.45pm

In the event of today's 3rd Round tie ending in a draw the replay will take place on Wednesday 15 January 1997 at the County Ground kicking off at 7.45pm.

Uncovered stand tickets priced £10.00 (£5.00 concessions) will be available to Seasonal Membership holders only upon production of voucher no. 41 from the Park End Box Office on Monday 6 January from 9.30am.

Any tickets remaining will go on General Sale from Thursday 9 January. Postal applications should be made immediately and should be addressed to the Box Office, Goodison Park, Liverpool L4 4EL enclosing the correct remittance, relevant voucher (where applicable) and a stamped addressed envelope - the application envelope should be marked 'FA Cup'. Supporters should note that no telephone bookings will be accepted for this game.

ADMISSION PRICES SEASON 1996/97

	Adult	Juvenile	Senior Citizen
Main Stand	£18.00	-	-
Upper Bullens	£17.00	-	-
Park Stand	£16.00	-	-
Top Balcony	£15.00	£7.00	-
Lower Bullens	£15.00	£7.00	£9.00
Gwladys Stand	£15.00	-	-
Family Enclosure	£15.00	£7.00	£9.00
Paddock	£15.00	-	-
Gwladys Terrace Seats	£13.00	£7.00	-

Advance bookings will be accepted for any home match (except all ticket games) provided the correct remittance and a stamped addressed envelope are sent to The Box Office, Goodison Park, Liverpool, L4 4EL. Details of away match prices are obtainable from the Box Office upon application. Tickets will be forwarded approximately fourteen days in advance of any match. Holders of Access and Visa cards may book seats for home games, subject to availability, by telephoning our 24 hour Dial-A-Seat service on 0151 471 8000. Callers will be advised of the choice of seats available and the reservation will be confirmed immediately, subject to the authenticity of the card details provided. There is a £1.25 charge per ticket, plus a £1.25 service charge for this facility. This service is not available to away supporters.

For weekend fixtures all orders received prior to 12 noon on the preceding Wednesday will be dispatched by post to the registered address of the credit card holder. Orders received subsequent to this time must be collected from the Dial-A-Seat collection point adjacent to the Goodison Road Box Office. For mid week fixtures, orders received prior to 12 noon on the preceding Friday will be dispatched by post. Orders received after this date will be held for collection as above. When collecting seats production of your credit card will be required.

Please note that the club accepts no responsibility for tickets either lost or delayed in the post.

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Supporters are urged to keep their match ticket stubs from each game as the club will be operating a match stub priority scheme for big match games at Goodison. Match stub savings sheets are available from the Box Office to personal callers and by post from The Box Office, Everton Football Club, Goodison Park, Liverpool L4 4EL.

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Next up... Home & Away



SHEFFIELD W. AT HILLSBOROUGH



Saturday 11 January 1997
Kick-off 3.00pm

A chance to record our first "double" of the season, after beating Wednesday 2-0 at Goodison earlier in the season.

GETTING THERE: Everyone has their own favourite route across the Pennines.

In the Spring or the Summer, Snake Pass is the most picturesque, but not recommended at this time of year when fog and frost can be a hazard.

The following route may seem like a long way round, but it does avoid traffic difficulties on the smaller A-roads.

Take the M62 out of Liverpool towards Leeds, then join the M1 South. Exit the motorway at Junction 36 and at the roundabout follow signs to Sheffield A61, joining the A61 dual carriageway.

From here, signs to Sheffield North A61 and City Centre A61

Hat-trick hero
Andrei Kanchelskis
celebrates a
Hillsborough hat-trick
with Graham Stuart

lead directly to the ground. At the roundabout at the bottom of the hill by the stadium go straight on for Owlerton Stadium parking. By train: The station is three and a half miles from Hillsborough, but the local authority provides buses to take fans to the ground and bring them back afterwards. To get to the pick up point walk up to the roundabout in front of the station, heading to the right of the Howard pub into Pond Street.

A taxi will cost around £4.00.



Debut boy Michael Branch gets the better of Wednesday's Des Walker

LAST SEASON: One of the trips of the season for Evertonians. A 5-2 win, an Andrei Kanchelskis hat-trick and a virtuoso midfield display by Tony Grant. And the sun was shining!



ARSENAL AT HIGHBURY



Sunday 19 January 1997
Kick-off 4.00pm

Yet, another Sky TV appearance for us - our third in a month, as we travel to London's Pride.

GETTING THERE: No problem driving - but parking is. Best bet is to let the train take the strain - Highbury is only one stop from Euston - or if you must drive, park well away from the ground and take the tube.

Nearest stations are Finsbury Park (Victoria Line) or Arsenal (Piccadilly Line).

If driving, follow the usual M62, M6 south, M1 routes and leave the M1 at Junction 2.

Follow signs for The City A1 for 1.7 miles until you reach the junction with the North Circular Road.

Turn left onto the North Circular and keep in the right hand lanes for the A1 (Falloden Way) as it branches off to the right.

At junction after 1.8 miles follow London A1 signs - head towards the Esso garage and get in left hand lanes straight on into Archway Road. At roundabout after 1.4 miles (Archway Corner) take second exit and after 1.4 miles pass under railway bridge and past University of North London on the left.

At second lights, after 0.2 miles, turn left into Drayton Park, straight over a mini roundabout and the ground is on the right after half-a-mile.

LAST SEASON: A capital day out with Graham Stuart equalising Ian Wright's customary sensational strike against us, and Andrei Kanchelskis cracking a late winner.



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SWINDON TOWN

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15 Kevin **WATSON**
16 Kevin **HORLOCK**
17 Wayne **ALLISON**
18 Peter **HOLCROFT**
19 Alex **SMITH**
20 Wayne **O'SULLIVAN**
21 Steve **FINNEY**
22 David **KERSLAKE**
23 Steve **MILDENHALL**
24 Mark **WALTERS**
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