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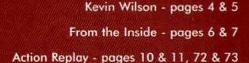
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# KEVIN WILSON



The Views Of The Manager

Good afternoon and a warm welcome back to Sixfields for our latest Nationwide League Division 2 match. Our visitors today are Swindon Town, and I would like to welcome their players, officials and supporters to Sixfields this afternoon. Andy King has recently taken over as Manager at the County Ground and I would like to wish him every success in his new role, except whenever Swindon play us that is!

Our last home game of course was our 4-0 FA Cup success over Frickley Athletic. I felt we did a professional job in winning our way through to next week's second round. Games like that are a real no win situation for us. All we can really gain is a place in the second round and that's what we did. I felt we were always in control of the game, and our superior fitness really told in the last quarter of the game. As a player I never lost to a non league side and I don't intend to start as a Manager!

The draw for the second round has given us an away tie at Rotherham United. It's maybe not the ideal draw, but as I said in the Media Conference after the game, all of the Managers



who were beaten in round one would gladly have settled for that. We also have a score to settle with Rotherham. They beat us here 1-0 in late October when by our own admission we didn't play particularly well and we would like to settle that score.

The draw for the first round of the LDV Vans Trophy was also not particularly kind. We were handed a trip to Millwall which will take place on Tuesday night.

Since my last programme notes, Mark Maley and Daryl Clare have arrived here on a month's loan from Sunderland and Grimsby respectively. To talk about Mark first, this is my first chance to publicly welcome Mark to Sixfields and I am sure he will prove to be an asset to us. He has initially signed for a month, but that could be extended for the rest of the season. He is only 19, but he has a great pedigree and Peter Reid expects him to break in to the Premiership in the not too distant future. I have been aware of Mark for some time. and I finally made my move to sign him after watching him play for Sunderland reserves. I'm sure you will all give him a warm Sixfields welcome this afternoon. The other loanee is Daryl Clare. I'm sure you all know a lot about Daryl and what he is capable of. I have kept my eye on him since his last spell here and I am sure he can come back here and do very well for us again. I am grateful to Lennie Lawrence for allowing Daryl to come, and it is a bia compliment to Northampton Town that Daryl was so keen to

come back. He loved every minute of it here before, and we hope that this loan spell is just as successful. To have forwards on our books such as Jamie Forrester, Steve Howard, Marco Gabbiadini and now Daryl is exciting for the club and must surely help attract people to Sixfields.

Mark Maley's arrival is no reflection on Garry Hughes. Garry has done exceptionally well for us since coming in to the side and has taken his chance well. We always said there would come a time when he needed a breather and that is now. Garry is a vital part of our squad here and will have a big part to play. We are working with Garry to develop him and I want a club here where everyone works together and encourages each other. That applies to the crowd as much as anyone. One thing I would stress, is that the arrival of both Mark and Daryl does not mean that anyone will be leaving. I'm looking to build a squad here that can help us maintain our excellent start to the season, not to start moving players on.

That said, I'm not sorry to see the back of November. We've had a couple of sticky results but that's now behind us and the start of a new month gives us the ideal platform to kick on again. We may have been beaten in our last 2 league games, but there's no panic here and we remain as determined as ever to bounce back in to the top 6. I said before the game at Walsall last Saturday that it was a good benchmark to see how far we

had come. 6 months ago, Walsall and ourselves were two Divisions apart and although I thought 3-0 flattered them, we showed that we have made some progress but still have some work to do. Of course, every team has a sticky patch at some point over the course of a season. It's our job to try and get back on a winning run as soon as possible. Today is the first of 8 matches in the festive month. It's a crucial month, and one that could shape the rest of our season.

We are relaunching the Cobblers Gold Bond today. This fundraiser is lifeblood to the club. For as little as £1 a week, you can help support the Cobblers and win some great prizes. Please help us by joining the scheme. Forms are being given out this afternoon or are available from the Superstore.

A warm welcome and a big thank you to this afternoon's sponsors, Nationwide, McLean Homes, GJ Wilson Electrical and Sign of the Times. Nationwide are of course shirt sponsors of both clubs and certainly as far as we are concerned, they give us great support. I would like to welcome the guests of all companies and hope they enjoy their day with us. A special warm welcome to Terry Butcher and Jimmy Greaves, who are here today as guests of Nationwide. I hope both gentlemen enjoy their stay with us here at Sixfields and will be impressed by what they see!

I would also like to welcome today's mascots, Stacey, Alex, Matthew and Thomas. 3 of our mascots are celebrating their birthdays in the next couple of weeks, while Matthew celebrated his yesterday so welcome to Sixfields and Happy Birthday!



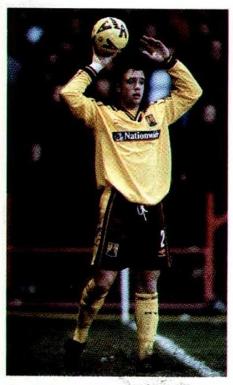


# FROM THE INSIDE



The Latest From Sixfields

Northampton Town have signed



Sunderland defender Mark Maley on a one month loan deal.

19 year old Newcastle born Maley operates at right back and has made 5 appearances for Sunderland's first team, including 3 this season. He stands 5ft 9 inches tall and has captained England at under 15 through to under 18 level.

Mark is known as a pacy full back, who has found his chances at Sunderland limited but Cobblers boss Kevin Wilson said, "I am delighted to have signed Mark. I have watched him play and I know he can do a good job for us. All of the loan players we have brought in here recently have done a terrific job for the club and I'm sure Mark will be no different. He is a player that Peter Reid expects to break in to the Premiership before too long and I am grateful to Peter for allowing a player of Mark's quality to come here. This

signing is no reflection on Garry Hughes, who has done very well since coming in to the side, but we did say there would be a time when Garry needed a breather and that time is now. Garry will still have a big part to play. People have been expecting me to make a loan signing for the last few weeks, but I will never rush in and get anyone in just for the sake of it. I'll have a good look around and make sure I get the right player. If Mark does well and we like what we see, he could stay here for the rest of the season, similar to the deal that kept Alex O'Reilly here last season."

Maley said, "Keyin Wilson watched me play for Sunderland reserves on Tuesday night and when Peter Reid offered me the chance to join Northampton I jumped at it. This is a positive move for me. This is a great set up and I'm over the moon to be here. I've spent a day training with the lads and I've been very impressed with Kevin Wilson and the club. I've captained England from under 15 to under 18 level and that has given me a good grounding. Now all I want to do is to do well for Northampton Town and Kevin Wilson. His first month's loan will expire after the December 23 clash at Peterborough.

Joining Mark for a month at Sixfields is Grimsby Town striker Daryl Clare. 22 year old Clare spent two and a half months on loan at Sixfields last season, scoring three times in ten appearances. His pace and skill on the ball made him a big favourite with the Cobblers fans despite only being at Sixfields a short time. Clare said, "When I came here last year I really

enjoyed myself and when the chance came up to rejoin



Northampton I jumped at it. I just couldn't turn it down. The lads have done very well over the last 18 months. I have always kept an eye out for Northampton's results and the lads are doing very well in Division 2. The club is moving in the right direction. There's already 3 quality strikers here with Jamie, Marco and Stevie and I'm looking forward to being part of the same squad. I played with Jamie Forrester at Grimsby and know he is a quality forward. He scores goals on a regular basis and is doing very well for himself."

In the draw for the first round of the LDV Vans Trophy (formerly the Auto Windscreens Shield), the Cobblers have been given an away tie at Millwall. The game will take place on Tuesday evening (December 5) 2000. Kick off 7.45pm. Full Draw - Doncaster v Rochdale, Chester v Hull, Kidderminster v Carlisle, Oldham v Wigan, Hartlepool v Scunthorpe, Rotherham v Chesterfield, Port Vale v Notts County, Stoke v Scarborough, Lincoln v Morecambe, York v Darlington, Bury v Mansfield, Wrexham v Halifax, Cambridge v Colchester, Brentford v Oxford, Barnet v Rushden, Hereford v Yeovil, Brighton v Cardiff, Southend v Cheltenham, AFC Bournemouth v Dover, Torquay v Bristol Rovers, Peterborough v Luton, Plymouth v Bristol City, Wycombe v Exeter. Byes; Blackpool, Macclesfield, Shrewsbury, Walsall, Leyton Orient, Reading, Swansea, Swindon.

Cobblers boss Kevin Wilson will be performing the draw for the fourth round of the FA Carlsberg Vase at Sixfields on Monday December 11.

We would like to send our sincere condolences to the friends and family of Mr Arthur Page, a long time season ticket holder, who sadly passed away recently.

We would like to welcome to this afternoon's match Mr Alan Smith, who has travelled all the way from Norfolk in Virginia USA! He was due to land in England at 9.40am this morning and will be making his way up to Northampton by train from Euston.

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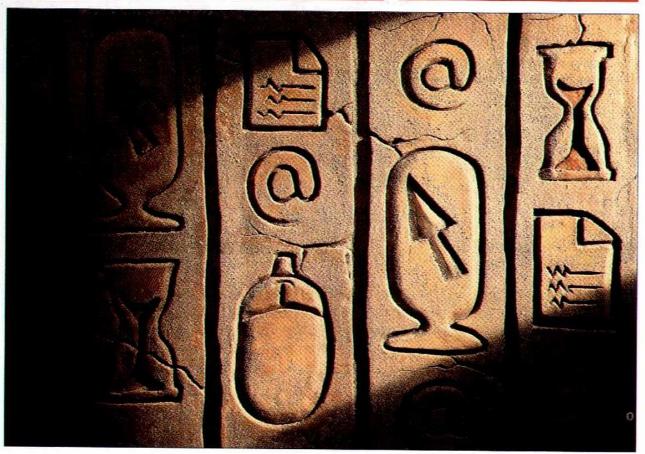
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Stacey Fletcher will turn 11 years old on December 16, so an early Happy Birthday to Stacey from everyone at Northampton Town Football Club. Stacey attends Higham Ferrers Junior School and lists her hobbies as football, netball, tennis, swimming, and listening to her favourite band, Steps. Stacey is a season ticket holder in the East Stand and her favourite player is goalkeeper Keith Welch.



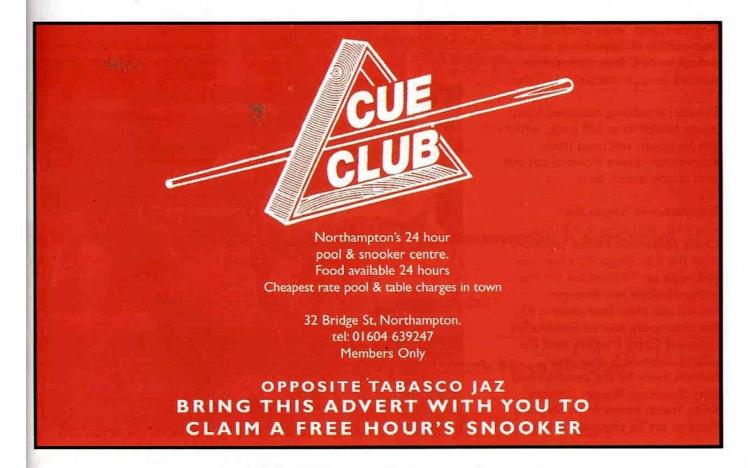
Alex Beaumont will be 8 years old on Tuesday so a very Happy Birthday to Alex from everyone at Northampton Town Football Club. Alex attends Earls Barton Junior School and lists his hobbies as football, art, fossils, minerals and aircraft! Alex plays for Earls Barton under 8s in the mini league and is a Cobblers season ticket holder. He hopes to follow in the footsteps of his hero, Jamie Forrester!



Thomas Brooks is 13 years old next Thursday, so a very Happy Birthday to Thomas from everyone at Northampton Town Football Club. Thomas attends St Davids Middle School and says his hobbies are just football! His favourite player is top scorer Jamie Forrester. Thomas will be going in to hospital on the 11th, so Kevin Wilson, Jamie and all the players wish Thomas good luck!



Matthew Burgess was 11 years old yesterday so a belated Happy Birthday from everyone at Northampton Town Football Club. Matthew attends Ryelands Middle School and names his hobbies as playing his clarinet, football and any Motor Sport. He also spends time on his Playstation. Matthew is a season ticket holder and his favourite players are Keith Welch and Jamie Forrester.





# ACTION REPLAY

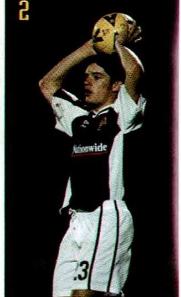


NTFC v AFC Bournemouth



only delayed the moment until Bournemouth did take the lead. Steve Fletcher curled in a 25 yard free kick that beat keeper Keith Welch with the aid of a deflection. Jermain Defoe curled inches wide of the target on 40 minutes before forcing a save from Keith Welch in the stroke of half time. Although a goal down, hopes were high that the Cobblers would come back in to the game with the wind in their favour.

The Cobblers did look bright for the first few minutes of the second half, and Marco
Gabbiadini shot wide on the turn
on 53 minutes, but on the hour
mark Bournemouth doubled their
lead. Steve Fletcher set up the
opportunity for Defoe, who made
no mistake from close range.
Defoe completed the scoring on
79 minutes to round off a
disappointing afternoon for the
Cobblers.



Duncan Spedding returned from injury to slot in at left back, while Ian Sampson returned from suspension. Steve Howard sat out with a one match ban.

Northampton Town crashed to a

desperately disappointing home

defeat by AFC Bournemouth in the last league match at Sixfields.

Bournemouth began the sharpest, and after 6 minutes Claus Jorgensen curled narrowly over the bar. Steve Fletcher was just wide on 12 minutes for the visitors before Northampton carved out their best chance of the afternoon. Marco Gabbiadini released Garry Hughes and the young defender's shot was beaten away by the outstretched arm of visiting keeper Stewart. Keith Welch saved from Stephen Purches on 24 minutes, but it

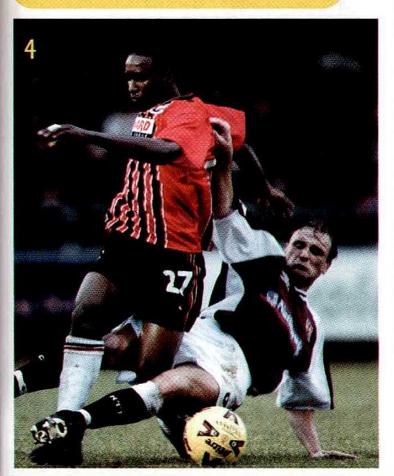




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Northampton Town 1 Keith Welch 4 Ian Sampson 6 Duncan Spedding 89 7 David Savage 8 James Hunt 80 10 Marco Gabbiadini 14 John Hodge 16 Garry Hughes 17 Richard Hope 18 Jamie Forrester 20 Chris Hargreaves 15 Adam Sollitt 19 Andy Morrow 80 67 22 Kevin Wilson

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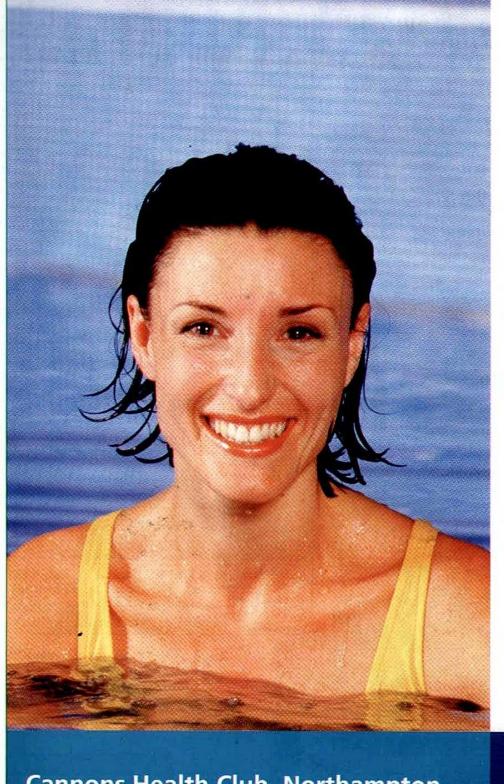
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Picture 1: Marco Gabbiadini holds off two Bournemouth defenders

Picture 2: James Gould made his league debut

Picture 3: James Hunt and Richard Hope track Steve Fletcher

Picture 4: James Hunt stops Jermain Defoe



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# IN OPPOSITION



Spotlight On Our Opponents

The Robins are our welcome visitors to Sixfields this afternoon.

After being relegated from Division One at the end of last season, it's not been the easiest of starts to life in Division 2 for the men from the County Ground. Manager Colin Todd left at the end of October in a protracted saga that eventually saw him take up the position of Assistant Manager at Derby County. That left current boss Andy King in charge, and everyone wishes Andy well as he sets about trying to improve on his side's current league position.

One of the success stories of the season so far for Swindon has been the form of Australian striker Danny Invincible. His goals have helped keep the Robins afloat and he will certainly be a danger man to the Cobblers this afternoon.

Although the two sides have not met for a few years, there are a number of links between the towns of Northampton and Swindon. Both sides are of course sponsored by Nationwide Building Society, while before the move to Sixfields the home ground of both clubs was called the County Ground. While Swindon's remains, Northampton's is now home exclusively to Northamptonshire County Cricket Club.

Finally, a warm welcome to Richard Dryden, now of course with Swindon Town. Richard had a loan spell with us from Southampton earlier this season, and is now embarking on a similar deal at the County Ground.





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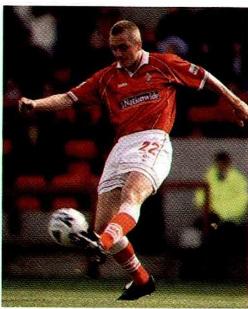
#### Goalkeepers

The 6ft 4 Dutch goalkeeper BART GRIEMINK played second fiddle to England Under 21 international Mark Tyler at Peterborough for the past couple of seasons. After only making 44 league appearances for The Posh he decided it was time for a new challenge when his contract expired during the summer. Bart spent a twomonth loan period with Town last season and impressed in difficult circumstances. His arrival should go a long way to ease Town's goalkeeping problems after Frank Talia, Jimmy Glass and Alan Flanagan left the club. One of Swindon's home grown talents. STEVE MILDENHALL is in his fourth year as a professional after successfully coming through the Club's YTS system. Made two first team appearances in 1995/96. came off the bench to play as an outfield player in 1996/97 and made his full league debut between the posts for Swindon in October 1997. 'Mildy' made 6 (2 as substitute) appearances for Town last season. He spent most of the season in the reserves earning praise for his resolute performances, however, he was rarely relied upon to make the step up to the first team.

#### **Defenders**

MARK ROBINSON started his career at West Bromwich Albion, joined Barnsley on a free transfer in June 1986 and such was his form there that Newcastle snapped himup for £450,000 in March 1993. After losing his place in the first team through injury, Mark is now the Town's longest serving player since Swindon paid a Club record £600,000 for his services in July 1994. He has been a consistent and versatile performer ever since. however, he could face competition from new signing Juan Cobian for the right-back slot this season. GARETH DAVIES was signed on a free transfer in March 1999. Gareth

made the short trip down the M4 from Reading and despite being a firm favourite with the Royals' fans, he did not figure in Tommy Burns' plans. Gareth is an infectious character but is well known for his commitment and aggressive style. However, Town fans only caught glimpses of him in action due to several injuries, mainly a problematic knee injury, wrecking his last campaign only making 16 starts in all. ADAM WILLIS was called into action from the reserves towards the end of last season to cover for injuries and suspensions. Adam worked very hard in the gym after training to improve his physical presence and it paid off. His confident displays earned him a place in the starting line-up on merit and he was rewarded with a new contract under Colin Todd after being previously told that he could leave



the club. ALAN REEVES quit
Wimbledon's "Crazy Gang" in search
of first team football with Swindon. A
tall central defender, who cost the
Dons £300,000 from Rochdale.
Excellent header of the ball, 32-yearold Reeves can be an asset in attack
on set pieces, scoring 2 goals in 24
appearances last season. Despite
being linked with several clubs in the
summer, Reeves is working hard to
command a first team place. SOL

DAVIS is a left-sided fullback who was offered his first professional contract in the summer of 1998 after a series of impressive performances in the

reserves. Made his league debut as a substitute at home to QPR, shortly after his 18th birthday. His first start in a Swindon shirt came six months later in the heat of a local derby clash away at Oxford United. Last season Sol made over 25 appearances for Town in both the fullback and wingback positions and his commitment was exemplified by some very tough tackling. JUAN COBIAN joined Aberdeen from Sheffield Wednesday on a free transfer in November '99. Cobian, a rampaging right-sided defender. made a promising start to 1998-99 with the Owls having joined the club for a nominal fee during the 1998 close season. This summer he

moved, again on a free transfer, to the County Ground despite offers from a number of clubs. His attacking style will be very much in demand in Town's new-look side. An attacking left-sided fullback, KIM HEISELBERG was another player to join the Swindon ranks on a free transfer in July. He returned from Denmark this summer for his second spell in English football after spending one year on Wearside with Sunderland. Signed by the Black Cats in 1998 for £125,000 he failed to hold down a regular first team place and returned to his native Denmark. A technical player that likes to pass the ball and get into dangerous forward positions. ANTOINE VAN DER LINDEN is a central defender whose composure on the ball makes him a vital asset to Andy King's team. Another technical player that signed on a free transfer this summer. Despite spending the first few weeks warming the bench, Antoine was drafted into the action to bolster Town's leaky defence. Antoine plays on the left side of King's three central defensive unit.

#### Midfielders

ANDY WILLIAMS moved from Southampton in October 1999 in a £65,000 deal after an impressive loan spell at the County Ground. Andy is an extremely versatile player and has taken on a variety of defensive and midfield duties. Formerly a regular Welsh Under-21 international he became a strong candidate for Player of the Season last term which showed how well he settled into the side. Stephen, who likes to be known as BOBBY HOWE, is an attacking midfielder who signed for Swindon in January 1998 from Nottingham Forest, where his first team opportunities had dried up. Bobby's confidence suffered last season and he fell out of favour in the first team. However, after being told he could leave the club he has worked hard to re-establish himself in the side. MATTHEW HEWLETT is an attacking midfielder that signed for Town on a free transfer in July 2000. A hot prospect at local rivals Bristol City in 1998/99. At the time a succession of injuries meant that he missed most of the season and failed to live up to his potential. A fresh start may be just the challenge he needs and there will be no better place to impress and improve his performances than at the County Ground this season. If he can find his form he may just be the attacking spark the Town midfield is so dearly missing. (Knee injury Oct '00, will be out until well after Xmas). Another young player with a great deal of potential. DAVID DUKE is a left-sided midfielder, he was unable to command a firstteam start at Premiership Sunderland after joining them in June '97 from Redby. Impressed former boss Colin Todd in several pre-season friendlies Nitionwide and signed on a free transfer in July. KEITH O'HALLORAN made six starts for Middlesbrough where he came through the youth ranks before joining St Johnstone in March

'97 for £50,000. Keith

went on to make over 60

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McDiarmid Park. Despite being

offered a new confract north of

Swindon's new era under Andy King. The Town fans will be delighted to see a natural right-sided midfielder at the club after it became a huge problem position last campaign. MARK ROBERTSON teamed up with fellow countryman Danny Invincible after leaving Burnley for Town on a free transfer. The young Aussie had only made one appearance for the Clarets during his time there and had been on trial with Town for some weeks before putting pen to paper in Oct '00. A predominantly right-sided attacking player he will add muchneeded strength in depth to the midfield. IAN WOAN has recently signed a short-term contract.

#### **Forwards**

Andy King believes that DANNY INVINCIBILE can become a real star after the club completed a deal to sign the Australian on a free transfer in July. Former boss Todd moved swiftly to tie up a deal for Invincible after spotting the 21-year-old playing for West Ham in a trial match. The former Marconi Stallions

star and former Australian under-20's, started predominantly on the right hand side of midfield, but King pushed him up front and the Aussie immediately scored five goals in four games. GIULIANO GRAZIOLI was signed in June 1999 on a free transfer from his former club Peterborough Utd. Giuliano's previous visit to the County Ground was in 1997 with Stevenage Town in the FA Cup 3rd round. His winning goal dumped Swindon out and handed Stevenage a money-making 4th round tie against Newcastle Utd.

Missed most of last season through injury, but when he did play he was the shining light in a very dull season for Swindon. Following the departures of fellow strikers Chris Hay and Iffy Onuora, 'Graz' established himself as the Town's main threat. If he stays fit, he will be a handful for opposing defences this season. STEVE COWE is a nippy, darting forward with good vision and very quick feet. Rarely called upon under former manager Jim Quinn, Steve tried to find another club after he was told he had no future with the Robins. However, Steve was another player that came in from the football wilderness to finish the season strongly and do well enough to

warrant a new contract. MARTIN WILLIAMS left Reading in search of a new challenge. A firm favourite with the fans at the Madeiski, he topped the scoring charts two seasons ago with 11 goals in 31 games until he sustained a knee injury three months from the end of the campaign. His strength and pace will complement both the quile of Giuliano Grazioli and the

youthful endeavour of Gary Alexander. His move, which was delayed by another untimely knee injury over the summer, could solve Town's early goalscoring problems. GARY ALEXANDER is a highly-rated 21-year-old who joined the Robins in early August from West Ham United in a £300,000 deal. Gary spent most of last season on loan at Exeter City where he made a big impression scoring 16 goals in 20 appearances and keeping The Grecians out of relegation trouble in the process. A powerful and hard-working forward, Alexander could be the one to watch this season. ALAN YOUNG is a 17year-old forward with great potential.





# IN OPPOSITION



Spotlight On Our Opponents

Sat Aug 12	COLCHESTER	0-0
Sat Aug 19	Reading	0-2
Sat Aug 26	WALSALL	1-4
Mon Aug 28	Port Vale	0-3
Sat Sep 2	WREXHAM	2-2
Sat Sep 9	Bristol City	1-0
Tue Sep 12	Bournemouth	0-3
Sat Sep 16	CAMBRIDGE	3-1
Sat Sep 23	Luton	3-2
Sat Sep 30	WIGAN	2-2
Sat Oct 7	OXFORD	2-1
Sat Oct 14	Oldham	0-1
Tue Oct 17	Swansea	0-0
Sat Oct 21	BRISTOL ROVERS	1-3
Tue Oct 24	MILLWALL	0-2
Sat Oct 28	Notts County	2-3
Sat Nov 4	MACOWBE	1-1
Sat Nov 11	Peterborough	0-4
Sat Nov 25	STOKE	0-3
Sat Dec 2	Northampton	
Sat Dec 16	ROTHERHAM	н
Sat Dec 23	Bury	A
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Mon Jan 1	Walsall	A
Sat Jan 6	Colchester	A
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Sat Feb 24	BOURNEMOUTH LUTON	H
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Tue Mar 6	Wigan OLDHAM	A H
Sat Mar 10	Oxford	A
Sat Mar 17	SWANSEA	Ĥ
Sat Mar 24	Bristol Rovers	A
Sat Mar 31	Rotherham	Â
Sat Apr 7	NORTHAMPTON	Ĥ
Sat Apr 14	Millwall	A
Mon Apr 16	NOTTS COUNTY	Ĥ
Sat Apr 21	Wycombe	A
Sat Apr 28	PETERBOROUGH	Ĥ
Sat May 5	Stoke	A
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#### DID YOU KNOW?

Trevor Anderson scored a hat trick of penalties v Walsall in the last game of the 1975-76 season in a 5-1 victory.

Swindon were the first league club to have a bookmakers situated beneath the Main stand. Although they owned the ground, the shop was rented out.

During the 1960-61 season, Swindon played the youngest pair of full backs ever. Tony Walton was 2 weeks past his 17th birthday, John Trollope was just six weeks older.

During World War Two, Swindon's County Ground stadium was used as a prison camp, with huts placed all over the pitch.

When Swindon Town won the League Cup in 1969 they could not enter the Fairs Cup as they were a Division Three club, so the Anglo Italian Cup was born. The 'Robins' won the first tie beating A.S.Roma 5-2 on aggregate, but the following year they were beating Napoli 3-0 when the game was abandoned through crowd trouble.

The club's first ground was a field next to a quarry, until a young boy fell into the quarry during a match, forcing the club to quickly move on.

John Trollope made his 500th league appearance in May 1972, while still only 29. He was the youngest player to reach this landmark in the Football League.

Swindon won their first 10 Southern league games during the 1913-14 season. Their 11th was a 1-1 draw.....against the Cobblers!

The 102 points secured in Division Four, during the 1985-86 season, is a league record.

Manager Lou Macari will remember November 1985. He collected the Manager of the Month award for October, and also faced a discipline charge for entering the field of play in the game v Sunderland

Swindon reached the Semi Final of the F.A.Cup in 1910 and 1912. Both times they were a Southern league side.

1985-86 saw so many records broken by the club; longest run of unbeaten games (20), most consecutive away league games without defeat (11), fewest defeats in a season (8), consecutive home wins (4), consecutive away wins (6), and most wins in a season (32).

Harry Morris scored in every match between October 30th 1926 to 8 January 1927, 11 games and 19 goals.

Two of the clubs 60's heroes on the field, came back to assist the club in off field activities in the 80's. Don Rogers became host to match day sponsors, while Ernie Hunt became assistant to the Commercial Manager.

Chris Kamara joined Swindon on 17th August 1985, from Brentford. Twelve days after signing for them he turned up with his leg in plaster, after an accident at the training ground of his OLD club.



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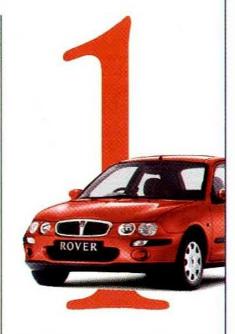
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# FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY



Latest News On Community Ventures



Northampton Town Manager Kevin Wilson is pictured presenting the FA Soccer Awards to pupils of Northgate Special Needs School in Northampton. The soccer star awards were carried out at the school by Northampton Town Community Officers Russell Lewis and Scott Stackman. The awards, that featured the skills of shooting, dribbling, heading and turning were carried out over a 6 week period.

The Northampton Town Community Programme spends a lot of time at schools in the area working with teachers and pupils to help them play football and develop an interest in Northampton Town Football Club. Northampton Town Community Officer Russell Lewis said, "At Northgate School the awards are a

fitting tribute to the time and effort the children have shown over the 6 weeks and a big thank you must go to all the teachers who have been out on the field helping out. I would also like to thank Kevin Wilson who not only made the presentation at this school but for all of his and the Club's help in organising visits from the players to schools. The benefit of the visits for the children is enormous."



Saturday Clubs

Today's guests of the Football in the Community programme are the Earls Barton under 8s and Wicken Rangers. We hope everyone enjoys their day with us.

#### **Birthday Boy**

Birthday greetings to Daniel Lane, who is having his Birthday Party with the Community Programme today.

#### **Football Course**

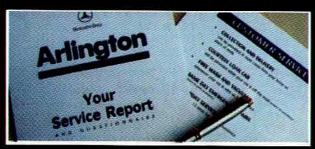
The dates of the Football in the Community's New Years Football Fun Course have been confirmed. The dates are 4/5 January at Moulton College Sports Centre, which is Northampton Town's training venue. Application forms are available from the Community Office. They will make an excellent Christmas present!



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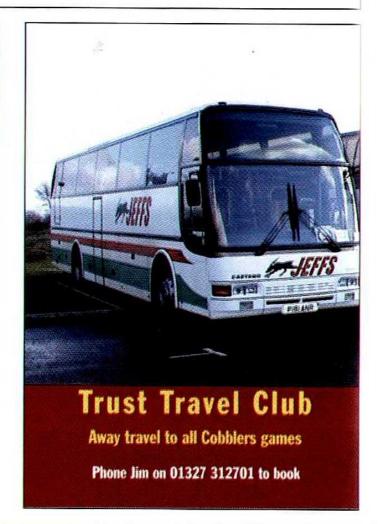
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# TALKING FOOTBALL



Talking Points

The Cobblers won their way through in to round 2 of the FA Cup with a comfortable win over Frickley Athletic. The Cobblers scored four goals without reply, and considering the amount of attacking players in the side at the moment, it may surprise you to know that it is some time since the Cobblers last scored four in a match.

The last time the Cobblers scored 4, they actually went one better and managed 5! The date was 13 January 1998 and the unfortunate



opponents were Torquay United in the then Auto Windscreens Shield. The Cobblers goalscorers were Chris Freestone (2), Carl Heggs (2) and John Frain.
Previous to that, the Cobblers scored 4 earlier on in that 1997/98 season when David Seal (2), Carl Heggs and John Gayle were all on target as the Cobblers crushed Brentford 4-0 with all the goals coming in the first half.

There were 3 scores of 4 or above in the promotion season of 1996/97. New Years Day 1997 saw the Cobblers beat Cardiff City 4-0 with goals from Ray Warburton, Mark Cooper,

Neil Grayson and a helpful own goal! The very next game at Sixfields saw Matthew Rush, Mark Cooper, Neil Grayson, Ian Sampson and Ray Warburton all find the net as Chester were dispatched 5-1, before an end of season game against Exeter City ended 4-1 in the Cobblers favour with goals from Sean Parrish, Mark Cooper (2), and John Gayle.

So there you have it. Instances of the Cobblers scoring four or more in a game tend to come in batches. Having managed the feat against Frickley, let's hope we can do the same a couple more times before the season is out!



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OPTION 4, OPTION 1

Kevin Wilson after the FA Cup win over Frickley

"It was a professional performance and a job well

done. The only thing we could really gain was to get through to round 2 and we did that. I felt we were always comfortable."

The Cobblers boss after the LDV Vans Trophy draw gave the Cobblers a trip to Millwall

"It's not the best of draws but we've won there already this season and I'm sure we can win their again."

Kevin Wilson after last Saturday's defeat at Walsall

"Of course I am disappointed, but I thought 3-0 flattered them. We had our chances but they were more clinical. We've got some thinking to do on the defensive side of our game."

OPTION 4, OPTION 2

New signing Mark Maley speaking within moments of joining the club

"I'm delighted to be here. Peter Reid offered me the chance to come here after a reserve match last week and I jumped at the chance. I've trained here once and I've been very impressed with the club and with Kevin Wilson."

OPTION 4, OPTION 3

Striker Daryl Clare just minutes after signing.

"I just jumped at the chance to come back. I've kept an eye on the club's results since my spell here and they've done very well. I'm looking forward to being part of a squad with so many quality strikers."

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# ON BOTH SIDES



Frank Grande Investigates

Club historian Frank Grande provides a statistical review of a player to have worn the colours of both clubs. Today he features Russell Lewis;

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1978-79		3	5	5(4)		1		2		
1979-80		3	10	42(1)	3	6		8		
1980-81		3	17	37	2	2	1	3		
1981-82		3	22	43	1	3		2		
1982-83		4	8	43	1	5	1	1		
1983-84	NORTHAMPTON T.	4	18	45	4	5		- 2	1	
1984-85		4	23	43(1)	2	4		1		2
1985-86		4	8	43		1		4		3
	Kettering									
	Merthyr T.									
	Rushden Town			7						

CLUB	SIGNED	DEBUT	APP	SUB	GLS	W	D	L
SWINDON	Oct-76	v York 19 Apr 77	209	7	9	82	55	79
NORTHAMPTON	Aug-83	v Chester 27 Aug 1983	153	1	7	48 -	35	71

	<b>BIGGEST WIN</b>	<b>BIGGEST DEFEAT</b>	HIGHEST ATT	LOWEST ATT
SWINDON	5-0'v Bury	0-5 v Walsall	46,707 v Tottenham	1,126 v Hartlepool
NORTHAMPTON	6-0 v Preston	0-6 v Peterborough	6,655 v Bristol City	942 v Chester City





### OLD HEROES



lan Davies Traces Former Stars

The rivalry between The Cobblers and The Robins will be 100 years old next year, the centenary of their first meeting in the old Southern League. This was the 1901-02 season, the Cobblers first venture into professional football.

At this time there were only two divisions in the Football League, so the Southern League was at least the equivalent of the third division. At the end of each season the Football League XI played the Southern League, and the results were just about even. In their first season the Cobblers finished eleventh out of sixteen, and Swindon finished 16th.

When the Cobblers won the championship in 1909, Swindon finished second. When Swindon won it two years later the Cobblers were second. The rivalry was intense. Both clubs were members of the Third Division South from its birth in 1921 to the formation of the Fourth Division in 1958.

Yet events at the most poignant moment in the Cobblers' history dealt a severe blow to Swindon, events that prove that there is no sentiment in Football. The Cobblers, having secured promotion to the First Division played Portsmouth in the final second division match of the season on April 24 1965. For the home team it was a chance to take the plaudits of the crowd for the club's most successful season ever, and hopefully to preserve an unbeaten home record for the season.

For Portsmouth it was entirely different. They were locked in a grim relegation struggle with Swindon and Swansea. At the beginning of that last day of the season, it was two teams from six to go down.

Most of the games were played in the afternoon, although the Cobblers game with Portsmouth had been switched to the evening. When kick-off time came, Swansea were already down, three of the other protagonists were safe. Swindon and Portsmouth were level, but Swindon had a vastly superior goal average.

So Portsmouth's aim was chillingly obvious. They needed a draw to stay up against a team that was unbeaten at home all season. Pompey's great player Jimmy Dickinson was making his 764th and final appearance on his fortieth birthday. Just before the kick-off a giant cake was brought to the touchline for Dickinson to cut. The air was festive, a crowd of 20,660 packed into the County Ground to celebrate the occasion.

Portsmouth fought hard and their quest for a point seemed promising - that is until John Gordon deflected a harmless looking shot into his own net just after half time. But Pompey breathed a sigh of relief ten minutes later when Gordon took a free-kick from just inside his own half. Bryan Harvey in the Cobblers goal seemed unsighted by a fellow defender and the ball went into the net. One-all and that is how it

stayed. Pompey were safe, and the Cobblers retained their unbeaten record.

Swindon were sent to the third division. A month earlier they had beaten the Cobblers at Swindon 4-2 in an ill-tempered game. One of their scorers was a young forward by the name of Dennis Brown. Nicknamed "Bullets", Brown was a prolific scorer and two seasons later he was signed by the Cobblers.

Brown really looked the part, scoring three goals in eight games, but then, travelling to his Reading home he was injured in a car accident and had to have one of his kneecaps removed. A personal tragedy for a footballer, but Brown took little notice of doctors who said he may never walk properly again let alone play football.

Brown was determined to prove everyone wrong. He spent hours in the swimming pool doing remedial work, his nurses had to drag him out of the pool. And eleven months later Brown made his reappearance for the Cobblers against Scunthorpe. To everyone's delight, he scored the equalising goal in a one-all draw.

At the end of the season he was transferred to Aldershot and stayed five years. He made 237 appearances and scored 56 goals. He now lives in Reading - a great example of courage and determination in a fight against adversity.



### DAY BY DAY



Your Sixfields Diary

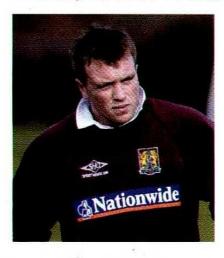
#### **Tuesday November 14 2000**

John Frain begins his comeback from a hamstring injury in the reserves 1-0 defeat at Portsmouth.

#### Wednesday November 15 2000

The Cobblers youth team progress through to round 3 of the FA Youth Cup with a 3-0 win over Cradley Town at Sixfields.

#### Thursday November 16 2000



Sunderland defender Mark Maley agrees to join the club on a month's loan, and trains with his new team mates for the first time. Jamie Forrester and Marco Gabbiadini attend the Supporters Trust AGM.

#### Friday November 17 2000

Richard Green is passed fit for the FA Cup tie with Frickley Athletic at Sixfields.

#### Saturday November 18 2000

John Frain, Jamie Forrester (2) and James Hunt all find the net as the Cobblers cruise in to round 2 of the AXA FA Cup. The



Cobblers draw Rotherham in round 2, while the club are paired with Millwall in the first round of the new LDV Vans Trophy.

#### Sunday November 19 2000

"It was a professional job well done," said Cobblers boss Kevin Wilson reflecting on the win over Frickley.

#### Monday November 20 2000

John Hodge undergoes treatment for the injury picked up in Saturday's FA Cup win, after an x ray reveals no break, only bad bruising.

#### **Tuesday November 21 2000**



The Cobblers train hard ahead of the trip to Walsall. Mark Maley is settling in well in his first week of training.

#### Wednesday November 22 2000



The reserves go down 2-1 to AFC Bournemouth at Sixfields, despite dominating for long periods.

#### Thursday November 23 2000

Cobblers boss Kevin Wilson agrees terms with Grimsby Town to re-sign Daryl Clare on Ioan. Wilson and Ian Sampson then attend the AGM of the Sixfields Travel Club.

#### Friday November 24 2000

Clare arrives at Sixfields and trains with the Cobblers ahead of the trip to the Bescot Stadium. Marco Gabbiadini is rated as 50:50 for the trip, while

John Hodge has made progress but is doubtful.

#### Saturday November 25 2000

Walsall beat the Cobblers 3-0, while the under 19s are beaten 3-1 by Colchester. The under 17s have a blank day as their match at Gillingham is postponed.

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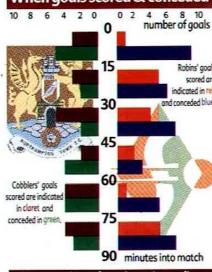
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82 mins	<b>Away Goals For</b>	135 mins
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72 mins	Home Goals Against	47 mins
90 mins	Away Goals Against	45 mins
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#### Last 10 Games Form Guide Comparison

SWSWWLWSLL Cobblers :

F 13 A 15 Pts 15

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F 9 A 20 Pts 6

Form Guide shows last 10 results, W = Won, L = Lost, S = Score Draw, D = No Score Draw. Most recent result to the right

#### Swindon Town's Last 10 Years - The Complete Record

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91/92	2	5	4	Shearer	22	9,871
92/93	1	3	3	Maskell	18	10,489
93/94	P	3	3	Fjortoft	12	15,011
94/95	1	4	SF	Fjortoft	16	9,408
95/96	2	5	2	Allison	17	10,602
96/97	1	3	3	Allison	11	9,265
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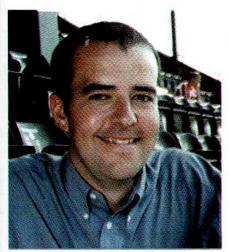
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# JEREMY CASEY



The Chronicle & Echo



RIO FERDINAND left West Ham United for Leeds United last weekend, the Yorkshire club paying a mind-boggling £18 million for their man. This transfer finally proves that football has gone stark, raving mad. I mean, £18m for a player that is not even an established international defender? What is going on? Ferdinand is at this moment in time a decent Premiership player, no more than that. He may well one day blossom into the new Franz Beckenbauer (what price that man in today's market?) but he is nowhere near that standard yet, and there are no guarantees that he will ever reach such heights. So how can Leeds possibly justify paying that sort of money for a player? Especially at a time when the future of the world transfer market is in doubt anyway. Chairman Peter Ridsdale claims he is getting a bargain, well how can that be when it is going to be nigh on impossible for Leeds to ever recoup their outlay on Ferdinand, even if they go on to win the Champions League (highly unlikely) and World Club Championship (virtually impossible!) after it. I'm no financial expert, but I would love to hear exactly how Leeds' money men feel forking out £18m in a transfer fee and about £6m in wages is getting themselves a bargain. But regardless of what Leeds and their directors think, I am convinced they have just inflicted untold damage on the

game in this country. I feel the real repercussions of this transfer will not begin to hit home until later on this season and in the years to come. I mean, picture the scene. Manchester United want a new striker. They are the biggest club in Europe, and they want a new player to lead their forward line, preferably an Englishman, so they submit a transfer bid to underachieving rivals Liverpool for Michael Owen. Now Owen is a player who has proved his ability at the highest level, scored goals in the World Cup for his country, and is a younger and more promising prospect than Rio Ferdinand. Now obviously the Merseyside club wouldn't have let Owen go for peanuts anyway, but what price do you think Liverpool will quote for their star striker now? Gerard Houllier will demand £25m, £30m maybe, and he will always have the line 'if Rio Ferdinand's worth £18m, the Michael Owen is worth.(pick a very large number)' and nobody will be able to argue with that. Ferdinand's transfer is simply going to send fees between British clubs for all players - good and bad into orbit, and that cannot be good for the game, especially when it seems most of the money is going into the players' pockets. Some people will say Leeds should be congratulated for their ambition, for buying English, but did they really have to pay out such an extravagant amount of money? I mean where will it all end. How much is Roy Keane worth? What price David Beckham? Tottenham will be wanting £20m for Sol Campbell next! Yes, I'm afraid that I think the Ferdinand transfer could be very bad newsindeed for the British game.

AFTER today's match against Swindon Town, the Cobblers can divert their attention away from the Nationwide League Division Two for a few days as they go on their travels for two tough cup games. On Tuesday night they are off to the New Den to take on Mark McGhee's Millwall in the LDV Vans Trophy, and then next Saturday it's all eyes north as Rotherham United's Millmoor ground is the destination for a crunch FA Cup encounter. The clash against Ronnie Moore's Millers is of course one which will see a full strenath Cobblers team take to the field, but manager Kevin Wilson has hinted that a few of the fringe players may get a run-out in London on Tuesday. The likes of Andy Morrow, Adam Sollitt, James Gould and Ryan Thompson will be hoping to get their chance to show 'the gaffer' what they can do, and it would be nice to see them get a game. It has been a frustrating time for all of the squad's fringe players so far this season as they have had to travel the length and breadth of the country for the odd few minutes of play here there, and in Sollitt and Thompson's case, no action at all. They must be desperate to get out on the pitch for some serious action. The LDV Trophy is one of those tournaments that nobody seems to take any real interest in until the latter stages, but one thing that will be guaranteed if the vounasters do play on Tuesday night is that there will be no lack of heart from the men in claret and white. They will be busting a gut to ensure a Cobblers victory in the Lions' Den.

JUST a little line to finish off this week's column about the incredibly popular Championship Manager computer game. I'm currently playing the 1999-2000 season, and I just thought you might like to know that I tried to buy Jamie Forrester from FC Utrecht for my club Celtic - and the Dutch club quoted me a fee of £2.9 million! That is extra proof if it were ever needed that the Cobblers got a bargain in the summer!

Mind you, that's still a better value deal than £18m for Ferdinand!



# HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE



With Club Historian Frank Grande

1 February 1986 (Sat)
Division 4
County Ground
ATT: 4,449

#### NORTHAMPTON TOWN (0) 0 SWINDON TOWN (0) 1

Henry (17)

On the day Northampton moved their offices from underneath the stand to a house opposite in Abington Avenue, they entertained one of the promotion chasing sides, Swindon Town. Richard Hill returned to the side recovering from his gashed head and Keith McPherson made his home debut. Colin Gordon and Peter Coyne linked up in the Swindon forward line for the first time in 3 months.

The Cobblers had most of the game and had two penalty appeals turned down, but they lacked any kind of punch up front, and Swindon's keeper Kenny Allen was equal to anything that was thrown at him. The goal came from Charlie Henry, later to join Northampfon on loan, when he ran on to a pass from Hockaday, and lifted the ball over the advancing Gleasure.

NORTHAMPTON TOWN:
Gleasure, Reed, Mundee,
Chard, Lewis, McPherson,
Donald, Benjamin, Schiavi,
Morley, Hill. Sub not used;
Cavener
SWINDON TOWN: Allen,
Ramsey, Roberts, Barnard, Cole,
Calderwood, Coyne, Henry,
Gordon, Wade, Hockaday. Sub
not used; Kamara
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6 September 1985 (Fri)
Division 4
County Ground (Swindon)
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SWINDON TOWN (2) 3 Coyne (17p),(31p),(83p) NORTHAMPTON TOWN (0) 2 Hill (54), Cavener (89p)

This was a game of penalties, four in all, just one awarded to the Cobblers. Peter Coyne opened the scoring in the 17th minute, and doubled his tally just after the half hour. Nine minutes after the restart Richard Hill scored the only goal from open play, against Swindon goalkeeper, Scott Endersby, who himself had made history a few seasons earlier when he became the youngest player ever to appear in the F.A, Cup when he played for Kettering Town at 15.

Seven minutes from time Peter Coyne completed his hat trick of penalties and in the final minute of the game, Phil Cavener scored from the Cobblers only spot kick of the game.

SWINDON TOWN: Endersby, Ramsey, Henry, Evans, Cole, Calderwood, Rowland, Coyne, Gordon, Macari, Hall. Sub not used; Moss. NORTHAMPTON TOWN: Gleasure, Curtis, Mundee, Chard, Lewis, Hill, Mann, Benjamin, Reed, Morley, Cavener. Sub not used; Schiavi REFEREE: ROGER MILFORD 13 APRIL 1985 (Sat)
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#### SWINDON TOWN (1)2 Gordon (37), Gage (77 o.g.) NORTHAMPTON TOWN (0)0

Northampton had now gone 14 league games with just one win. Swindon on the other hand were in a comfortable mid table position. For the Cobblers Peter Shirtliff returned for Mark Bushell, who had made his debut in the previous weeks 4-0 win over Stockport.

The game went as expected Colin Gordon gave the home side the lead, late in the first half. Wakeley Gage put through his own goal in the second half, and defender Brian Mundee was sent off. It is always darkest before the dawn, although they did not know it, Northampton had suffered their last defeat of the season. The remaining seven games all ended in victories or draws.

SWINDON TOWN: Endersby, Ramsey, Cole, Rowland, Baillie, Henry, Hockaday (Mayes), Barnard, Nelson, Coyne, Gordon. NORTHAMPTON TOWN: Gleasure, Shirtliff, Mundee, Gage, Lewis, Train, Mann, Donald, Thompson, Benjamin, Brown. Sub not used Belfon REFEREE: L.BURDEN



## IN THE NEWS



Headlines From The Past

### 1. FEB. 1986 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 0 SWINDON TOWN 1

DIV. 4

England beat Egypt 4-0......Former Swansea directors agree to write off £800,000 in bank guarantees, thus halving the club's debts....Reading's 17 point lead in Division 3 is cut with a 0-6 defeat by Walsall....

#### 6. SEP. 1985 SWINDON TOWN 3 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 2 DIV. 4

Only 27 first and second division clubs will compete in the new 'Full Members Cup', .....Steve McMahon moves from Everton to Liverpool for £350,000.....Charlton announce their ground sharing plans with Crystal Palace at Selhurst Park.

#### 13 APR. 1985 SWINDON TOWN 2 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 0 DIV. 4

Swindon sack Lou Macari, then re instate him.....There is a chance that the Scottish Cup could be played out with teams managed by brothers, Jim McLean of Dundee United draw 0-0 with Aberdeen, while Motherwell, managed by brother Tommy, hold Celtic to a 1-1 draw.

### 10 NOV. 1984 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 4 SWINDON TOWN 0 DIV. 4

Hull City 4-1 down at Orient, fight back to win 5-4....Halifax appoint Mick Jones as Manager...a knee ligament injury puts Mark Hateley out for six weeks....Ted Croker the F.A. Secretary warns England fans travelling to Turkey for England's game, to beware.

#### 6 MAR. 1984 SWINDON TOWN 0 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 0 DIV. 4

Len Ashurst resigns as Cardiff's manager, to take over at Sunderland....Swansea sack John Toshack as manager 74 days after re instating him......Birmingham warned they will be banned from the next two F.A.Cup competitions if their fans do not behave....Judges accept the deal by the new consortium at Charlton just 25 minutes before the Football League deadline.

### SWINDON TOWN 0 DIV. 4

Hard hit by injury, Watford put a light hearted advert in the Times, 'Wanted professional footballers men(or women) 18-80 preference given to applicants with two arms and two legs in working order'......both Alex Ferguson (Manchester United) and Jim McLean (Motherwell) turn down the managers job at Rangers, despite the bait of a £70,000 a year salary.

#### 8 MAY. 1983 SWINDON TOWN 1 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 5 DIV. 4

Bob Paisley says farewell to the Liverpool faithful in their last home game of the season before his retirement.....Doncaster Belles beat St. Helens 3-2 in the F.A. Women's Cup Final...Aberdeen beat Real Madrid to win the European Cup Winners Cup.

### 28 SEP. 1982 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 0 SWINDON TOWN 1 DIV. 4

Kerry Dixon scores 4 goals for Reading v Doncaster but finishes on the losing side as they go down 7-5.....F.A. Secretary Ted Croker calls on the Government to stop travel agents from organising unofficial trips for fans following England abroad....

### 1 APR 1977 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 1 SWINDON TOWN 1 DIV. 3

England beat Luxembourg 5-0......following trouble at Norwich, several First Division clubs are considering a total ban on Manchester United supporters.....Alec Stock rejoins QPR as a Director.....Johnny Giles, Manager of Eire, awards himself a 48th cap.

#### 23 OCT 1976 SWINDON TOWN 5 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 1 DIV 3

Paul Mariner moves from Plymouth to Ipswich, with John Peddelty and Terry Austin moving the other way.......Alf Wood freed by Hull is wanted by several clubs, some a division higher.

#### 18 AUG 1976 NORTHAMPTON TOWN 2 SWINDON TOWN 0

League Cup

General Omar Carlos Actis,
President of the World Cup
organising committee is murdered
by terrorists in Buenos Aires
.....Gordon Lee, Newcostle's
manager sells Malcolm
MacDonald to Arsenal for
£100,000 and then states he
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The winner of the previous signed Cobblers football was Mrs Ros Smith of Woodford Halse, nr Daventry. Well done to Mrs Smith and congratulations. Many thanks to those of you who entered but didn't win. Better luck next time!

The correct response was of course, Northern Ireland!



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Chris Hargreaves

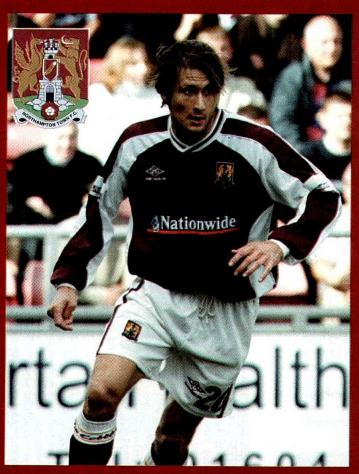
CHRIS HARGREAVES (Midfielder), Born Cleethorpes, 12.05.72 SQUAD NUMBER: 20 DEBUT - vs Brentford (home) Drew 1-1, Saturday 12th August 2000.

An orthodox left-winger who displays excellent control and has the ability to run at defenders and whip in superb crosses for the forwards. Started his career at Grimsby Town, having progressed through their youth policy. During his four year stay with the "Mariners" he only figured in just over 50 matches, predominantly appearing as a substitute before signing for Hull City prior to the 1993/94 season via a loan spell at Scarborough. Spent two seasons at Boothferry Park before joining West Bromwich Albion on a free transfer, where he only spent seven months, making two substitute appearances before a loan move took him to Hereford United, which was subsequently made permanent. Enjoyed a two and half year spell at Edgar Street before signing for Plymouth Argyle in time for the 1998/99 season where he established himself as first team regular before being captured under the Bosman ruling by the "Cobblers".



EVENT	DATE	ALSO ON THAT DAY
Born in Cleethorpes	12.MAY.1972	Wrexham beat Cardiff in the Welsh Cup, and enter Europe for the first time
His debut for Grimsby, in a 0-0 draw	19.AUG.1989	No away wins in div 4, Cambridge United win their 13th consecutive opening day fixture
His first goal, in a 2-0 win over Gillingham	17.OCT.1989	Darlington gates up 44% since dropping in to the Conference
Chris signs for Grimsby Town	06.DEC.1989	Howard Kendall becomes Manchester City's 6th manager in 9 years
Grimsby lose 0-2 to Chesterfield, but still		
win promotion to Division 3	05.MAY.1990	Rangers complete the season with just 19 goals scored against them
He signs for Scarborough, on loan	04. MAR.1993	Aston Villa offer Liverpool £3.5 million for John Barnes, which was rejected.
His debut in a 1-3 home defeat by Bury	06. MAR.1993	Hartlepool score against Blackpool after 20 hours and 27 minutes without a goal
He signs for Hull City	26.JUL.1993	Gary Mabbutt announced he will not be suing John Fashanu after he sustained a broken jaw
Chris makes his debut in a 1-1 draw v Fulham	16.OCT.1993	John Aldridge scores his 400th career goal when scoring a hat trick for Tranmere
He signs for West Bromwich Albion	13. JUL. 1995	George Graham is banned from football for a year after admitting he accepted a bung
His debut at home to Sunderland	25.NOV.1995	Coventry, 1-3 down to Wimbledon with 2 players sent off make a comeback with 2 goals in 7 mins
Chris signs for Hereford United	19. FEB 1996	Nottingham Forest v Spurs 5th round FA Cup tie abandoned after 15 minutes because of a blizzard
His debut in a 1-0 victory over Chester	20.FEB.1996	Watford part company with Glen Roeder, 10 days after he signs a new contract
Hereford lose 1-2 to Darlington in Play Off Semi Final	15. MAY 1996	After losing their first leg PO semi final 0-2, Bradford go through beating Blackpool 3-0 in the 2nd leg
Hereford draw 1-1 with Brighton and lose		
their Football League status	03. MAY 1997	Sunderland beat Everton 3-0 in the last ever game at Roker Park
He joins Plymouth Argyle	20.JUL.1998	UEFA give Arsenal permission to play all their Champions League games at Wembley
His Plymouth debut a 2-1 win v Rochdale	08.AUG. 1998	347,740 watch opening day fixtures, the highest for 20 years









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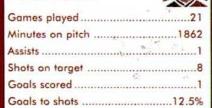
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Sat Oct 21	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	2-1	5,677 (3	10/10/10	21	9	
Tue Oct 24	Cambridge United	A	2-1	5,394 (1		24	7	
Sat Oct 28	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H	0-1	6,478 (1		24	7	
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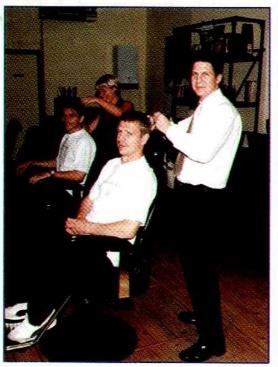
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Matches And Standings

### Today

Brentford v Wigan Athletic
Bristol City v Bury
Colchester United v Notts County
Oldham Athletic v Oxford United
Peterborough United v Wrexham
Reading v Cambridge United
Rotherham United v Millwall
Stoke City v Luton Town
Swansea City v Bristol Rovers
Walsall v Port Vale
Wycombe Wanderers v AFC Bournemouth

#### Nationwide Division 2 Table as at 28/11/2000

	P	W	D		F	A	Pts	GD
Millwall	19	12	3	4	36	16	39	20
Walsall	19	-11	5	3	35	18	38	17
Wigan	19	10	8	1	25	14	38	11
Rotherham	19	- 11	4	4	33	22	37	11
Reading	18	10	2	6	37	22	32	15
Stoke	18	8	6	4	29	20	30	9
Wycombe	19	8	6	5	20	15	30	5
Bristol C	18	7	7	4	27	15	28	12
Northampton	18	8	4	6	21	20	28	- 1
Wrexham	19	7	5	7	30	32	26	-2
Cambridge	19	6	6	7	30	28	24	2
Peterborough	19	7	3	9	23	26	24	-3
Bury	18	7	3	8	17	23	24	-6
Notts Co	18	7	3	8	21	29	24	-8
Bristol R	18	5	7	6	24	20	22	4
Brentford	16	5	7	4	18	25	22	-7
Colchester	19	5	6	8	16	21	21	-5
Port Vale	17	5	5	7	20	22	20	-2
Bournemouth	18	4 5	7	7	26	24	19	2
Oldham	18	5	4	9	19	29	19	-10
Swansea	18	4	6	8	19	25	18	-6
Swindon	19	4	5	10	18	37	17	-19
Luton	18	2	6	10	17	32	12	-15
Oxford	19	2	2	.15	17	42	8	-25



### APPEARANCES



### Player Records

		20	000/20	01		NTFC		CAREER			
	Birthplace	Date of Birth	Apps	Sub	Goals	Apps	Sub	Goals	Apps	Sub	Goals
Daryl Clare	Jersey	01/08/78	1	0	0	10	1	3	43	46	13
Jamie Forrester	Bradford	01/11/74	19	1	14	28	2	20	197	31	75
John Frain	Birmingham	08/10/68	9	0	1	175	1	6	502	10	32
Marco Gabbiadini	Nottingham	20/01/68	15	6	3	15	6	3	580	68	238
James Gould	Rushden	15/01/82	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	0
Richard Green	Wolverhampton	22/11/67	19	0	0	40	0	2	455	26	27
Chris Hargreaves	Cleethorpes	12/05/72	18	1	0	18	1	0	233	72	21
John Hodge	Skelmersdale	01/04/69	13	5	0	18	8	0	301	109	41
Richard Hope	Stockton	22/06/78	10	3	0	44	9	0	110	11	1
Steve Howard	Durham	10/05/76	14	5	5	61	14	15	197	41	48
Lee Howey	Sunderland	01/04/69	0	0	0	50	0	6	123	42	18
Garry Hughes	Birmingham	19/11/79	13	3	1	15	5	1	15	5	1
James Hunt	Derby	17/12/76	21	0	1	107	28	4	124	35	6
Roy Hunter	Saltburn	29/10/73	0	0	0	140	24	16	147	30	17
Mark Maley	Newcastle	26/01/81	1	0	0	1	0	0	4	2	0
Andy Morrow	Northern Ireland	05/10/80	0	2	0	2	6	0	2	6	0
Ian Sampson	Wakefield	14/11/68	17	0	1	303	3	25	318	10	26
David Savage	Dublin	30/07/73	15	5	0	83	14	10	206	44	21
Adam Sollitt	Sheffield	22/06/77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Duncan Spedding</b>	Frimley	07/09/77	5	2	0	72	14	2	76	17	2
Ryan Thompson	London	24/06/82	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Keith Welch	Bolton	03/10/68	21	0	0	63	0	0	620	0	0
Kevin Wilson	Banbury	18/04/61	0	5	0	14	20	2	634	93	199



# AT OTHER LEVELS



News From The Reserve Team



Skipper John Frain took his first steps back on the comeback trail by playing 45 minutes in the Cobblers reserves 1-0 defeat at Fratton Park against Portsmouth recently.

Frain played the opening 45 minutes and came through without any problems and coach Nigel Spink said, "John played the first half in the centre of midfield and turned in an assured performance. He came through without any reaction." Commenting on the game overall Spink said of a Cobblers side made up of mostly trialists

alongside the likes of Frain,
Adam Sollitt, Ryan Thompson,
Andy Morrow and James Gould,
"We did very well and competed
strongly against an experienced
Portsmouth side. We created the
better chances and looked the
better team but we were beaten
by a direct free kick. A lot of the
lads performed very well and
they can be pleased with their
performance."

Back at Sixfields, and the reserve side were beaten 2-1 by AFC Bournemouth despite dominating the game for long periods. The Cobblers went ahead on 23 minutes, when trialist striker Richard Burgess headed home the right wing cross of fellow trialist Stuart Wilson. That lead lasted just 3 minutes however, as the Cherries capitalised on a defensive mix up to level through

Chukki Eribenne. The winning goal came on 72 minutes when Ben Thompson fired home after Garry Hughes had blocked Narada's shot. Although the Cobblers piled on the pressure in the final 15 minutes, the Cherries held out to record a 2-1 win. "If that was a boxing match it would have been stopped," said a frustrated Nigel Spink. "We controlled most of the game, especially in the second half, but we paid the price for conceding sloppy goals."

Team:

Northampton v Bournemouth; Sollitt, Pitts (trialist), Meade, Goodwin (trialist), Hughes, Gould, S Wilson (trialist), Faulds (sub Champelovier 78), Morrow, Thompson (sub Laws 70), Burgess (trialist) (sub Nash 87).

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Wed 20th September 2000	Fulham	a	2-3	
Wed 27th September 2000	Crystal Palace	а	1-0	
Tue 3rd October 2000	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	н	1-3	
Tue 10th October 2000	READING	Н	0-3	
Tue 14th November 2000	Portsmouth	a	0-1	
Wed 22nd November 2000	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	1-3	
Wed 29th November 2000	Oxford United	а		7.30 pm
Wed 6th December 2000	SWINDON TOWN	н		2.00 pm
Tue 19th December 2000	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	Н		2.00 pm
2001				
Wed 3rd January 2001	Brentford	a		2.00 pm
Wed 10th January 2001	Brighton & Hove Albion	a		7.00 pm
Tue 23rd January 2001	Bristol Rovers	a		7.00 pm
Tue 30th January 2001	NORWICH CITY	н		2.00 pm
Tue 6th February 2001	Cheltenham Town	а		2.00 pm
Tue 13th February 2001	COLCHESTER UNITED	Н		2.00 pm
Tue 27th February 2001	Southend United	a		2.00 pm
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Tue 13th March 2001	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	Н		2.00 pm
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Tue 3rd April 2001	LUTON TOWN	Н		2.00 pm
Wed 11th April 2001	Barnet	a		2.00 pm
Tue 24th April 2001	GILLINGHAM	Н		2.00 pm

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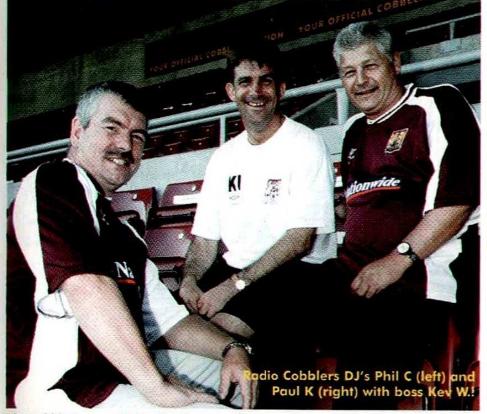
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### AT OTHER LEVELS



News From The Youth Team

Northampton Town's Youth team progressed through to round 3 of this season's AXA FA Youth Cup with a comfortable 3-0 win over Cradley Town at Sixfields recently.

The Cobblers opened the scoring ofter just 2 minutes when Neil Champelovier converted a low Chris Carruthers cross. The Cobblers had numerous other chances to score in the first half but Aaran Cavill and Michael Laws were both denied by Cradley keeper David Scorer. Chris Carruthers doubled the Cobblers lead on 52 minutes when he headed home Ryan Nash's cross before Champelovier rounded off the scoring when he applied a neat finish from Michael Laws' flick on 73 minutes.

Cobblers; Stirling, Nash, Galea, White, Daly, Spooner, Champelovier, Cavill (sub McGregor 78), Laws (sub Storey 78), Lowe, Carruthers (sub Ainge 61). Unused subs: Taylor, Dyer. Attendance 108.

Children will be admitted FREE to the AXA FA Youth Cup third round tie with Blackburn Rovers. The game takes place at 7pm on Wednesday December 13 with other admission prices costing £3 for adults and £1 for senior citizens. Any children attending will also have the chance to win Umbro goodies. The competition to win the Umbro prizes is being run in conjunction with the Northampton Chronicle & Echo. Blackburn reached the final of this competition in 1999 and a large crowd is expected for an exciting tie. Director of Youth Development Paul Curtis said, "Hopefully this initiative to admit children will help to not only

encourage a large crowd to cheer us on during the game, but will give more youngsters access to football at Sixfields. We have recorded two excellent wins in the competition so far, but Blackburn, who reached the final in 1999, will provide us with our toughest test so far. We're looking forward to it."

In league action, the under 19s went down 5-2 to Brighton with the Cobblers goals coming from Michael Laws and a Neil Champelovier penalty. The under 17s drew 1-1 with their Brighton counterparts, with Ian McGregor on target for the Cobblers. Last weekend. the under 19s lost 3-1 to Colchester with the Cobblers goal coming from Agran Cavill. The under 17s had a blank day with their scheduled game at Gillingham being called off.

The scheduled FA Midland Youth Cup Quarter Final between the Cobblers and Port Vale on Monday evening was postponed because of a waterlogged pitch.

Under 19s v Brighton (L2-5) (Laws, Champelovier (pen))

team; Stirling, Nash, Meade, Faulds, C Thompson, Daly (sub 72 Ainge), Champelovier (sub 78 Saunders), Colgan (sub 78 Sandy), taws, Lowe, Carruthers.

Under 17s v Brighton (D1-1) (McGregor)

team; Bunn, Toulemain, Galea, Hackett, Dyer, White, Gardiner, Cavill, McGregor, Storey, Alman.





Neil Champelovier - scored from the spot in the under 19s recent game with Brighton

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POSITION: Midfield

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**Tennis** 

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Sat 16 Sep	Luton Town	Home	1-1	Sat 16 Sep	Barnet	Away	3-4
Sat 23 Sep	Gillingham	Home	2-2	Sat 23 Sep	Colchester	Away	2-1
Sat 7 Oct	Wycombe	Away	0-4	Sat 7 Oct	Wycombe	Home	4-4
Sat 14 Oct	Portsmouth	Away	0-2	Sat 14 Oct	Southend	Home	2-0
Sat 21 Oct	Barnet	Home	2-2	Sat 21 Oct	Portsmouth	Away	1-2
Sat 28 Oct	Leyton Orient	Away	1-2	Sat 28 Oct	Leyton Orient	Home	2-1
Sat 11 Nov	Brentford	Home	2-2	Sat 11 Nov	Brentford	Away	1-2
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Sat 3 Feb	Barnet	Away	11	Sat 27 Jan	Southend	Away	11
Sat 10 Feb	Leyton Orient	Home	11 tbc	Sat 3 Feb	Portsmouth	Home	11.30 tb
Sat 17 Feb	Southend United	Away	11	Sat 10 Feb	Leyton Orient	Away	11

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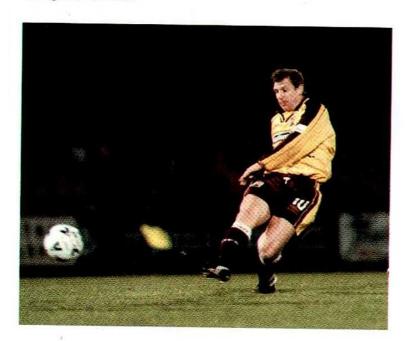
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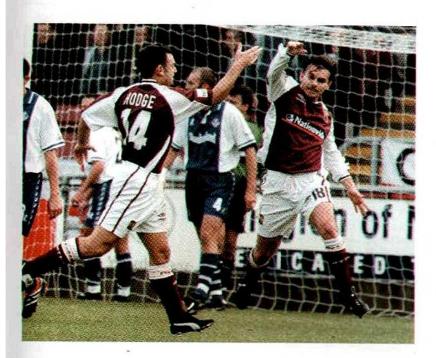
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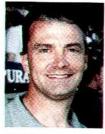




### A PERSONAL VIEW



### With lan Cooper



Welcome to our old friends from the County Ground. This was one of the first clubs that I took note of due to the fact that they shared the same ground name as us. (I know

it's very sad - but I was young). I read all about Don Rogers and John Trollope. I looked up a 6 - 2 home defeat. I relived a 5 - 1 Sunday victory away from home. I also tried to negotiate a star shaped multi - roundabout close to their ground. (Has anyone ever managed to do this correctly?). Ah the memories of Swindon. But with apologies to today's visitors, we have more pressing matters to attend to.

Do you realise that as you sit reading this you only have another 22 days to organise your Christmas gift ideas. If like me, you usually wait for the days remaining to go into single figures then feel free to turn the page. (Colleagues tell me that most people do this anyway). If however, the first stages of panic are beginning to set in, then listed below is a selection of football literature with brief reviews; the titles of which you may like to leave lying around for your brother, wife, girlfriend or grandmother to find and order for you. Thus, solving your Christmas gift problem for another year!

The books reviewed hopefully stand apart from the mass produced market of the ghost-writer and should provide entertainment for all genuine football fans. Trying to find such books may not always be as easy as it sounds, for as Donald Trelford wrote recently. These days footballers don't get even - they get writing.'

The Glory Game - Hunter Davies
Quite simply a classic. In 1971 for thefirst time ever, an outsider was given
complete access to a professional
football club (Tottenham Hotspur).
Davies produced a unique and
controversial account of his time with
the club. Readable even if you are an
Arsenal fan!

Manslaughter United - Chris Hulme A season following a prison learn made up of (mostly) life sentence serving players. The love of the game is there though as well as all the associated problems of team selection, bad results etc. (The book never made it clear what would happen were you to scythe down their winger in full flight!).

Eamon Dunphy - Only a Game
This is the book that set Dunphy on his
literary career. It was to be an account
(as a player) of the 1973/74 season at
Millwall. Unfortunately, in November,
Theo Foley signed him for Charlton.
Despite this, the diary is provocative,
controversial and extremely
enlightening. One wonders what a
whole season account would have

Who the Hell was Dudley Kernick? - Dudley Kernick

contained!

Good question. But all Cobblers fans should know that he was the other half of the swap that brought Archie Garrett back from Birmingham City in 1948. He was only here for about 6 weeks (after signing from Torquay United). Sadly, he never made the first team.

After a failed career as a pro footballer, Kernick went into the football commercial business with Stoke City. His book details some of the eye opening activities behind the commercial scene. Nowadays his revolutionary methods might seem out dated but in 1986 he could best be described as a character. Interesting even allowing for the emphasis on Stoke City.

Fifty Years of Northamptonshire football - Ian Addis (2 Volumes)

A season-by-season account of the County's senior football teams. From Cobblers to Geddington Montrose. A great record wonderfully embellished with some personal accounts and other anecdotes. (I never knew my uncle had a trial at Orient!).

One Hump or Two - Steve Wells & Nick Cooper

Okay the ghost written Frank
Worthington story! But with a character
like Worthington, the book just has to
be included. If you like amusing stories
of football players being un-football
like, then this should have you rolling in
the aisles!

Left Foot Forward / Left Foot in the Grave - Garry Nelson (2 books) Garry Nelson (who always seemed to score against us) gives his account of his final season as a pro player. His second book describes his time as player-manager of cash strapped Torquay United. Both well worth reading.

Black Diamonds and Blue Brazil -Ronald Ferguson

Struggling Cowdenbeath and the local community stripped of employment. Add a touch of politics and history, and you have Ferguson's book. Extremely readable, interesting and thought provoking.

Kicking in the Wind - Derek Allsop
Were this book about a top club it
would be a best seller. Allsop was given
free access to Rochdale FC - I believe
this was a fundraising venture for a club
who are repeatedly juggling resources
in a desperate effort to survive. (A
scenario that is probably being
repeated all around the country.) Quite
simply, brilliant. If you follow a small
club read this book, and then be
grateful to the people involved.

And finally, two for the 8 - 12 year olds:

#### Goalkeepers are Different - Brian Glanville

Story of a goalkeeper playing for a fictitious club against the star names and teams of the early seventies. Unfortunately the names Ron Harris, Steve Kindon or Allan Clarke may not mean much to the readers, but still a good storyline.

Absolutely Conkers - Ian Cooper
Two school friends get into a few
scrapes as they both try to become
conker champion of the world. Based
on the Ashton World Conker
Championships. Okay, okay nothing to
do with football, but if I can't plug my
own books here..!!

If there's nothing there that takes your fancy, why not pop in to the Cobblers Superstore. There are many new products to chose from, and can help make the perfect Christmas for a Cobblers fan!

Enjoy the game

All books have been read by me and therefore, the above opinions are mine alone. As to the availability of the books please check with your local store.



# GOLD BOND



Vital Fundraiser

Today is a relaunch of the Northampton Town Gold Bond Scheme. Gold Bond forms will be given out around the Stadium today and if you are not a member, we would encourage all Cobblers fans to join this vital fundraiser.

Before kick off, we hope that former England legends Terry Butcher and Jimmy Greaves will be on hand to present a £2000 cheque to Mr D Ranson of Milton Keynes, a recent winner on the Northampton Town Gold Bond.

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Pictured are members of the Cobblers squad, proudly showing off their new Gold Bond Membership cards.



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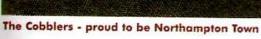
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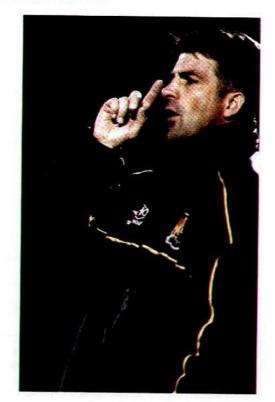
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"I would urge all Cobblers fans to join the Gold Bond. For as little as £1 a week, you can make a real difference and help us improve the squad as we push for Division One. Not only that, but you can win money while supporting the Cobblers! It's a team effort here, and the Cobblers Gold Bond is an important part of that team."

Northampton Town Manager Kevin Wilson









# COMMERCIAL DEPT.



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Left: Jamie Forrester with Colin Mold of UPVC Window Design & Construct

Right: Pete Packer of Packaclad with Jamie Forrester





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What do this afternoon's sides from Sixfields and the County Ground have in common?

The answer is that Nationwide Building Society is the proud club sponsor of both Northampton Town and Swindon Town It is not a coincidence - Nationwide has a deep presence in both of these communities. Nationwide, who sponsor the Nationwide League and Nationwide Conference, has main offices in Northampton and Swindon and employ over 5,000 people in the two towns.

The financial giant and World's number one building society is a company rooted in the community just like the 94 clubs in the four divisions they sponsor - Nationwide League Division One, Two and Three and the Nationwide

Conference.

The Nationwide League and Nationwide Conference are where Nationwide's heart is - along with the 15 million people plus who turn out every season to watch the action. This is more than any other football or sporting competition in the country. Nationwide's links with football go even deeper and are both broad and passionate - embracing the game from grassroots to the national team. Nationwide is also the official team sponsor of the England side, Wales team and associate sponsor of Craig Brown's Scotland.

However, they also believe in supporting all levels of the game and that is why they are the official backers of the national Strip 4 Shelter campaign, the England Blind Team and the England Amputee side. In addition, Nationwide has also donated their rights to the Bob Lord Trophy - contested by Nationwide Conference clubs - to the Variety Club Children's Charity which is dedicated to improving the quality of life for sick, disabled and disadvantaged children throughout the UK. Nationwide has assets of over £64 billion. It has around 10 million customers and it is estimated that around 1 in 3 households in the UK has a financial relationship with them. So the chances are that whether your on the high street or following the national sport at any level, you will not be that far away from Nationwide.

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Sign of the Times of Kettering are our matchball sponsors. They have been at the forefront of the corporate identity business for 15 years and is still expanding and investing in even better technology.

Blue chip clients use the sign making, vinyl graphics and screen printing services of this busy company and you can see the evidence in high streets all over the UK.

Managing director Darren Roughton said: "The fact that we get repeat business from companies such as Nationwide Building Society, official sponsors of the Football League, The England Football Team and others such as Anglian Water, Autoglass, Cosworth, Sir Robert McAlpine, Scott Bader and R Griggs is evidence of attention to quality control and customer care."

Signs can be made from Perspex, Foamex, MDF, aluminium, laminates or brass with the aid of large format plotters, routers and printers.

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Whether simple cut out vinyl or the most complex large format full colour graphics, some of this company's creative output probably passed you on the road today, either on a small van or a huge artic.

Storage and logistics of customers' signs has grown recently, so a new warehouse has been added to the 5,000sq ft factory.

Sign of the Times has its own web site, giving an idea of the range of products and services available. Call 01536 411202 for an informal discussion







News from Clarence's Cave at



### Clarence's Quiz

Can you identify the Cobblers player pictured?



### CLARENCE'S COMMENT

Hello and welcome back to Sixfields for our match against Swindon Town.

It's that exciting time of year with Christmas just around the corner. I hope you're all being good boys and girls and being nice to your parents!

I also hope that many of you will be getting many baby Clarences for Christmas!

Come on Cobblers!



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### Frank Grande's Hall Of Fame

#### **MOST APPEARANCES**

15. BARRY LINES

BORN: Bletchley, 16 May 1942

**POSITION:** OUTSIDE LEFT

**HONOURS:** Division 3 Championship 1963

#### RECORD SEASON **APPEARANCES** 1960/61 27 1961/62 42 1962/63 50 1963/64 27 10 1964/65 1965/66 42 1966/67 44 1967/68 15 1968/69 21(3) 1969/70 9(5) 287(8)

CLUBS: Bletchley Town, Bletchley United, NORTHAMPTON, Milton Keynes City, Atherstone.

#### LINKS

Barry made his debut v Wrexham, while lan scored his first goals against the same opposition.

#### CAREER

Barry was working in the accounts dept of a Bletchley printing firm when the Cobblers spotted him and saw him as the replacement for Tommy Fowler. He made the left wing spot his own for seven years, sometimes vying with Tommy Robson for a first team place. A clever ball player, he sometimes came in for rough treatment. Against Newcastle he received internal injuries and against Scunthorpe he broke a leg, forcing him to go part time. He spent another couple of seasons at Northampton and then stepped down and played non league football while working in the accounts dept at the Mercury.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Barry was the first player to play in and score in all 4 Divisions of the Football League for the same club.

#### MOST GOALS

15. IAN BENJAMIN

BORN: Nottingham, 11 December 1961

**POSITION: FORWARD** 

HONOURS: Division 4 Championship 1987,

**England Youth** 

#### RECORD

SEASON 1984/85	GOALS 19
1985/86	25
1986/87	23
1987/88	1
	68

CLUBS: SHEFF UTD, WBA, NOTTS CO,

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTON, CAMBRIDGE,

CHESTER, EXETER, SOUTHEND, LUTON,

BRENTFORD, WIGAN, BURY, Ilkeston, Chelmsford,

Corby, Raunds, Worboys Town

#### LINKS

Both players played in all old forward positions wearing numbers 7 to 11, but neither wore the number 9 shirt.

#### CAREER

Despite moving from Sheffield United to WBA for £100,000, lan struggled in his early days and it was not until he joined Peterborough that he became a first team regular. He then joined the Cobblers, and after a spell in midfield, he moved up front and became a great crowd favourite with his goals. He fitted in well with Graham Carr's side, but he later lost his place and started a merry go round of clubs. He helped Southend to promotion, but was with Luton when they went down. Ian quit league football in 1996, but still gave good service for another seven clubs. He later became Manager of Worboys Town, while working for the Royal Mail.

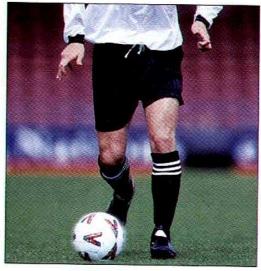
#### DID YOU KNOW

lan turned down the chance of a full contract with Wimbledon to come to Northampton on trial.

Club Historian Frank Grande counts down the top 25 appearance makers and goal scorers in the history of Northampton Town Football Club

### PERSONAL LOANS

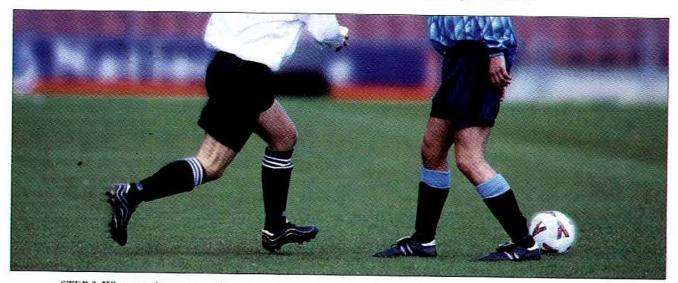




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Bournemouth	1.44	1.00	1.89	1.33	0.89	1.78
Brentford	1.06	1.11	1.00	1.56	1.44	1.71
<b>Bristol City</b>	1.50	1.78	1.22	0.83	1.11	0.56
<b>Bristol Rovers</b>	1.33	0.75	1.80	1.11	1.25	1.00
Bury	0.94	1.11	0.78	1.28	1.33	1.22
Cambridge	1.58	1.90	1.22	1.47	1.30	1.67
Colchester	0.84	0.90	0.78	1.11	1.00	1.22
Luton	0.94	1.00	0.89	1.78	1.67	1.89
Millwall	1.89	2.00	1.80	0.84	0.56	1.10
Northampton	1.17	1.25	1.10	1.11	1.25	1.00
<b>Notts County</b>	1.17	1.50	0.90	1.61	1.63	1.60
Oldham	1.06	1.11	1.00	1.61	1.22	2.00
Oxford	0.89	0.70	1.11	2.21	1.40	3.11
Peterborough	1.21	1.67	0.80	1.37	1.11	1.60
Port Vale	1.18	1.70	0.43	1.29	0.80	2.00
Reading	2.06	3.22	0.89	1.22	1.00	1.44
Rotherham	1.74	2.00	1.44	1.16	1.30	1.00
Stoke	1.61	1.63	1.60	1.11	0.75	1.40
Swansea	1.06	1.00	1.11	1.39	1.11	1.67
Swindon	0.95	1.20	0.67	1.95	1.90	2.00
Walsall	1.84	2.30	1.33	0.95	0.80	1.11
Wigan	1.32	1.56	1.10	0.74	0.56	0.90
Wrexham	1.58	1.00	2.22	1.68	1.40	2.00
Wycombe	1.05	1.78	0.40	0.79	0.89	0.70

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	Oxford, Peterborough,
	Reading, Swindon,
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	Millwall x2
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	Colchester, Notts County,
	Peterborough, Swansea,
	Rotherham, Oldham, _x1

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Oldham	3	1	2	7	4	10	3	WLWDWL
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Northampton	2	1	3	6	10	7	-4	WLWDLL
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### CONNECTIONS



With Leigh Edwards

Charlie Henry's second half goal gave Swindon Town a 1-0 Fourth Division win on their last league visit to Northampton Town on 1 February 1986. Peter Coyne had scored a hat trick in Swindon's 3-2 victory at home to the Cobblers five months earlier. Northampton's last league triumph at home to Swindon was 4-0 in November 1984 with goals from Ian Benjamin, Wakeley Gage and 2 from Austin Hayes.

### LEADING MARKSMAN

Former Swindon Town striker Bobby Barnes was Northampton Town's leading marksman in two consecutive seasons. Moving to Swindon from Aldershot in October 1987, the England Youth International scored 13 times in 45 Second Division games before being sold to AFC Bournemouth for a record £100,000 in March 1989. He joined Northampton for £70,000 in October 1989 and featured prominently in the 1989/90 FA Cup run, netting 37 goals in 98 league outings prior to joining Peterborough United in a joint £65,000 deal with Tony Adcock in February 1992.

### THREE SPELLS

Ex Swindon Town centre forward Frank Large had three spells at Northampton Town. Initially joining the Cobblers from QPR in March 1963, he helped to clinch the Third Division title that season and moved to Swindon for £12,000 in March 1964. He netted 4 times in 17 league games before being sold to Carlisle United for £10,000 six months later, then returned to Northampton from Oldham Athletic in December 1966 and again from Fulham in August 1969. Scoring 88 goals in 220 league games overall for the Cobblers, he joined Chesterfield in November 1972.

#### TITLE TRIUMPH

Northampton Town's former loanee midfielder Charlie Henry was leading marksman in Swindon Town's 1985/86 Fourth Division title triumph. Signing professional for Swindon in February 1980, he also featured in their 1986/87 promotion campaign and was loaned to Northampton in March 1987. He netted once in four consecutive Fourth Division games for the Cobblers. Scoring 26 goals in 223 League outings for today's visitors, he joined Aldershot in August 1989. Ex Northampton winger Eric Weaver was a member of Swindon's 1962/63 promotion squad.

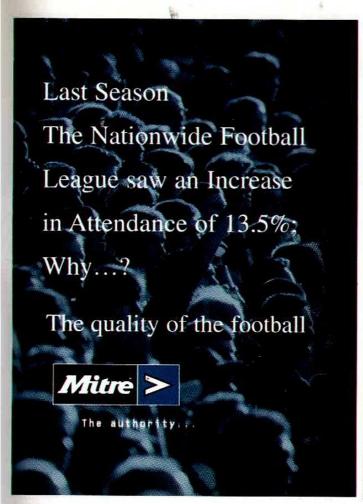
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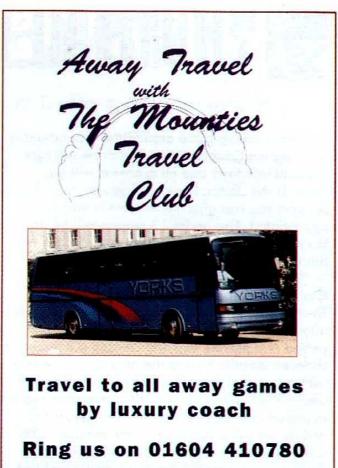
One time Northampton Town

inside forward Bob Edwards was Swindon Town's top scorer in 1956/57. Moving to Swindon from Chelsea in July 1955, he netted 65 goals in 173 league games for today's opponents prior to joining Norwich City in December 1959. He joined Northampton in March 1961 and helped to clinch promotion that season, scoring ten times in 23 League outings before moving to Kings Lynn on a free transfer in June 1962. Ex Northampton striker Keith East topped Swindon's goalscoring charts in 1965/66.

### **CUP HERO**

Ex Swindon Town midfielder Steve Berry scored Northampton Town's winner against Coventry City in the 1989/90 FA Cup third round. Moving to Swindon from Newport County in March 1987, he made four League appearances before joining Aldershot seven months later. He joined Northampton in October 1988 and netted seven goals in 102 league outings before moving to Maidstone United in July 1991. The likes of Dennis Brown, John Cornwell, Bobby Jones, Russell Lewis, Alan Mayes, Dave Syrett, Tony Taylor and Pat Terry have also played for both clubs since the war.









# YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



News From The Younger Ages

A raffle is taking place around the ground today for a signed Cobblers shirt. The draw will take place at half time and all proceeds will go towards the under 13s end of season tour. Any support you can give this venture is much appreciated. The under 13 players will be doing their own sponsored walk before the game with funds raised also going towards the tour.

Our recent Centres action was against Luton Town. The under 15s achieved a creditable draw after taking the lead midway through the first period. We played well and created a number of chances, despite having the hindrance of being without several players who had featured for the under 17s the day before. We changed formation in the second period and changed personnel. and as we were adapting to the changes, Luton levelled. Once we got back in to the swing of things, we dominated the game again and but for poor finishing we would have won the game comfortably. A number of the under 15 players have already featured for the under 17s. The likes of Paul Saunders, Mark Hackett, Adam Bridgeford, Elliot Sandy, Wayne Riley, Gary Root, Marcus Benson, Jermaal Dixon have already featured and we hope to have Luke Chambers involved shortly. The under 14s were beaten but only after a much improved performance both individually and as a team, but Manager Mike Dove and his players know there is still plenty of work to do. The under 13 team recorded a draw after starting off the game with a new system and despite going behind to an early own goal, the team came through and adapted well to the new system with Manager Stuart Parkes pleased with the performance. The under 12s were beaten by a narrow margin after also playing with a new system. We were however more than pleased with the performance in a good competitive match. The game was an important step in the side's development as a team. After the game, the Luton Youth Development Officer complimented us on our performance.

Congratulations to Chris Goode who has been invited in on Northamptonshire County Cricket Club's Youth Academy first intake. Chris has been

with us for 4 or 5 years and during that time the commitment shown by Chris and his father Martin has been excellent. We wish both well and hope things work out well for Chris in his chosen sport.

At our recent home match with AFC
Bournemouth, we hosted a number of Centre of
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place on record our thanks and appreciation of
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Mr E Faulkner - Norspeed - Chris Goode Shaun Kelly - BTS - Chris Goode

Pictured below are the Northampton Town under 15 side;

Standing (L-R) Jermaal Dixon, Marcus Benson, Mike Emms (Joint Manager), Paul Curtis (Director of Youth Development), Kevin England (Joint Manager), Elliot Sandy, Tom Foster. Seated (L-R) Gary Root, Wayne Riley, Avis Amin, Adam Bridgeford, Ryan Suter, Luke Chambers.





# YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



News From The Younger Ages

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03-Dec	Cambridge	A	н	Α	Н
17-Dec	Port Vale	н	- A	н	Α
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21-Jan	Chesterfield	Α	н	Α	Н
28-Jan	WBA	н	A	н	A
11-Feb	Walsall	Α	. н	Α	н
18-Feb	Shrewsbury	н	Α	Н	Α
25-Feb	Oxford Utd	Α	н	Α	н
04-Mar	Notts Co	Н	A	н	A
18-Mar	Luton Town	Α	н	Α	н
25-Mar	Cambridge	н	Α	Н	Α
01-Apr	Port Vale	Α	н	Α	н

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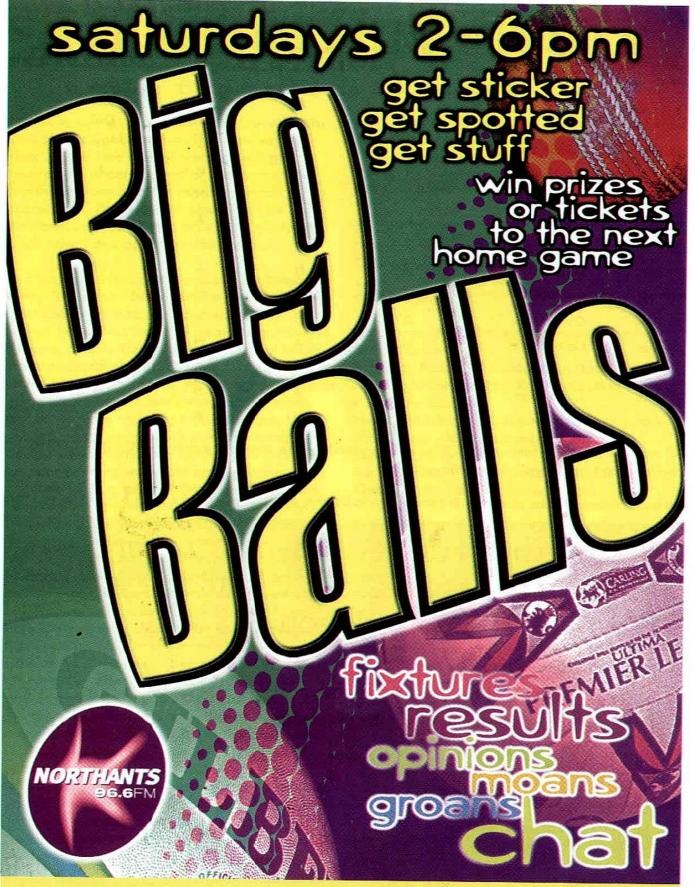
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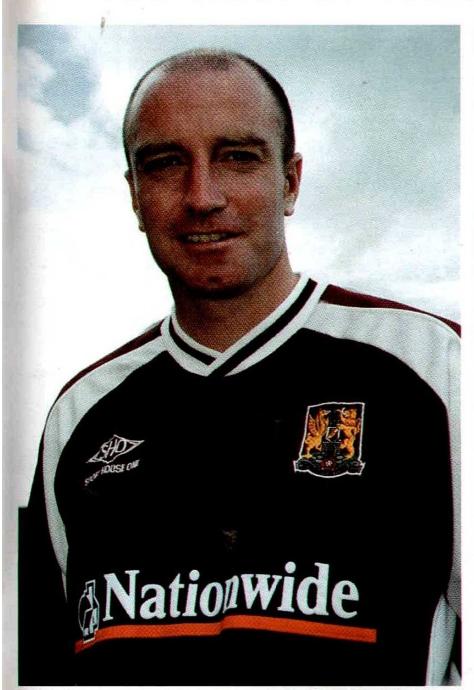
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### JOHN FRAIN



The Views Of The Skipper



Good afternoon and welcome back to Sixfields on behalf of all of the players.

Welcome also to our two loan players, Mark Maley and Daryl Clare. Both have fitted in very well. Mark is a young lad but already has a great pedigree and has impressed in training, while the lads know all about Daryl. He was a popular figure here last time and the moment he walked in to the dressing room again the banter started to fly. The fines committee are delighted that Daryl has returned!

From a personal point of view, it was great to be back in action in our last home game against Frickley. As a player there is nothing more frustrating than having to sit out with an injury while the rest of the lads are battling away. I really enjoyed the game and was pleased to get through OK. To score the opening goal was a bonus, but the main thing is that I am now back fit and raring to go again. Last weekend was a disappointment. Walsall are a very good side, make no mistake, but things haven't really gone our way over the last couple of league games. We know we need to get back on a winning run again as soon as possible, and with today being the first of 8 games in December, it's an ideal chance to push back on towards the top as we approach the half way mark.

The club are relaunching the Cobblers Gold Bond today. This fundraiser is vital to the club. Elsewhere in today's programme you can see a picture with some of the lads showing their support for this fundrasier. It costs as little as £1 a week, you can help support us and win some great prizes. Forms are being given out this afternoon or are available from the Superstore.

From all of the players, a big thank you to this afternoon's sponsors, Nationwide, McLean Homes, GJ Wilson Electrical and Sign of the Times. Nationwide are our shirt sponsors and they give us great support. I would like to welcome the guests of all companies and hope they enjoy their day with us.

I would also like to welcome today's mascots, Stacey, Alex, Matthew and Thomas. All our mascots are celebrating or have celebrated their birthdays so welcome to Sixfields and have a good day with us!



### ACTION REPLAY



NTFC v Frickley Athletic

The Cobblers cruised in to round 2 of the AXA sponsored FA Cup with a comprehensive 4-0 success over Frickley Athletic. Boss Kevin Wilson made 3 changes from the side that lost to Bournemouth, with John Frain, Richard Green and Steve Howard coming back in to the starting line up.

It was Howard who had the first strike at goal for the Cobblers when he was just over from 12 yards from a Chris Hargreaves cross. The Cobblers had the lead on 20 minutes when returning skipper John Frain sidefooted home a low Jamie Forrester cross on 20 minutes to give the Cobblers the lead. David Savage shot just over the bar for Northampton on 42 minutes before Frickley had their first attempt at goal on 43 minutes when Stewart Morris fired in a shot that was wide of the target.

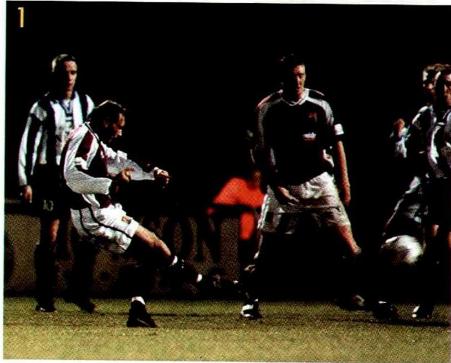
The second half started with the Cobblers still in the ascendancy and David Savage was within inches of



Steve Price hit the bar with a lob, before Frickley had a goal ruled out for offside. The Cobblers responded to that wake up call, and Jamie

Forrester settled the matter beyond doubt with a delicate chip over the keeper from 25 yards with 9 minutes left after being released by Marco Gabbiadini, but there was still time for James Hunt to score his first goal of the season 2 minutes later with a superb finish from the edge of the box after Chris Hargreaves had seen his low cross half cleared.

In the dying seconds, Marco
Gabbiadini twice went close from the
edge of the box but it was the
Cobblers who went in to round 2 to
leave Frickley with the Unibond
Premier League to concentrate on.



touching home Jamie Forrester's cross on 49 minutes, before the visitors gave the Cobblers two scares. First, Forrester turned home a Steve Howard knock down on 56 minutes before Gary Duffty was just wide on 63 minutes for the visitors.

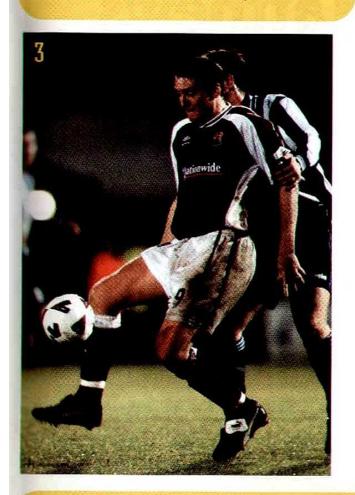




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### MATCH STATS

Northampton Town

Goals (min)
Assists (min)
Bookings
Substituted
Shots on target

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3	John Frain	20		0	83	1	
4	Ian Sampson			1	1300	1	
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7	David Savage				68	2	2
8	James Hunt	83				1	
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20	Chris Hargreaves		83			1	1
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14	John Hodge				68,76	33	38
15	Adam Sollitt			1.8		883	
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15	Martin Fox				168	100		
16	Tom Brookes				NO.	88		203
17	Scott Collins							

Picture 1: James Hunt sidefoots home hist first goal of the season

Picture 2: Jamie Forrester chips keeper Wilkinson to score

Picture 3: Steve Howard shields the ball

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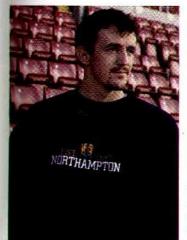
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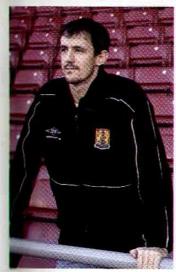


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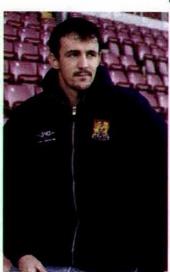
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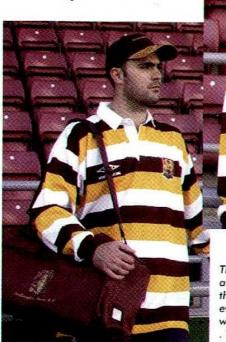
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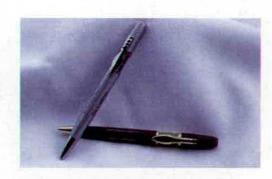
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Future Sixfields Opponents

The next Sixfields action is on Tuesday week, when the Cobblers entertain Swansea City (ko7.45pm).

This is a rearranged fixture having previously been postponed because of international calls.

The next away games are both in Cup competitions.
On Tuesday night, the Cobblers go to Millwall in the first round of the LDV Vans Trophy, while on Saturday Rotherham is the destination in round 2 of the AXA FA Cup.

#### MILLWALL v NORTHAMPTON TOWN

LDV Vans Trophy - Round One Tuesday December 5 2000, ko 7.45pm

Ticket details;

Supporters can pay on the gate. Please contact Millwall on 020 7231 9999 for prices.

Directions;

Take M25 clockwise to A2. Take
A2 to New Cross then follow signs
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#### ROTHERHAM UNITED V NORTHAMPTON TOWN

AXA FA Cup round 2 Saturday December 9 2000

Ticket details;

Supporters can pay on the gate. Please contact Rotherham United on 01709 512434 for prices.

Directions;

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Meanwhile, the club have announced ticket details ahead of the trip to Oxford United on Saturday December 16. The game is NOT all ticket, but any Cobblers fans looking to sit are advised to buy a ticket from the Sixfields Box Office before the day.

We have been allocated 385 seat tickets costing £15.50 adults and £10 for under 16s and over 65s. Supporters looking to stand on the terrace at the Manor Ground can pay on arrival (£12.50/£7). Seat tickets are now on unlimited general sale.

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Tuesday 5 December 2000 -Millwall, LDV Trophy. Depart Sixfields 5pm. £8 adults, £6 concessions

Saturday 9 December 2000 -Rotherham United, AXA FA Cup Depart Sixfields 10am. £9 adults, £7 concessions

Saturday 16 December 2000 -Oxford United, Nationwide League Division 2 Depart Sixfields 12.30pm. £5 per person

Saturday 23 December 2000 -Peterborough United, Nationwide League Division 2 Depart Sixfields 12.30pm. £5 per person

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Saturday 23 December 2000 -Peterborough United, Nationwide League Division 2 Depart Sixfields 12.45pm; County Tavern 1pm; Weston Favell Centre 1.15pm; Wilby/Wellingborough 1.30pm

The Peterborough trip is free for supporters who have travelled with the Trust Travel Club for 4 of the 6 league games preceding Peterborough - Bristol Rovers, Port Vale, Cambridge, Colchester, Walsall and Oxford.

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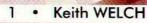
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### MANAGER: Kevin Wilson





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David SAVAGE 7

James HUNT 8

9 Steve HOWARD

10 Marco GABBIADINI

**Roy HUNTER** 11

12 Daryl CLARE

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John HODGE 14

15 Adam SOLLITT

16 **Garry HUGHES** 

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### MANAGER: Andy King

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