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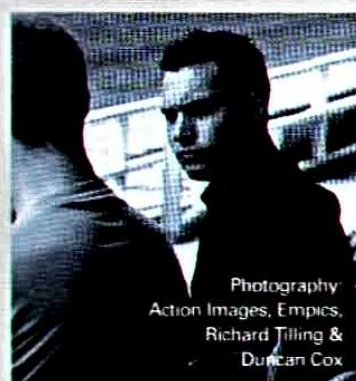
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EDITOR'S EYE

The great thing about the start of the football season is that every fan across the country believes that their side is not only going to win their first game, but also win the league and every other honour going in the season! I must admit I am no different, OK we probably won't win the FA Cup (!) but if you don't believe that your team is capable of winning something then why bother to turn up every week?



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Confidence is the common denominator in any success and with such a good pre-season, just two defeats against Premiership opposition, I hope that the belief that has manifested itself in the squad can produce a good start in the league. If we can get a few early wins under our belt then who knows, but at least everyone involved with STFC could smile again after what has been a traumatic time.

For the start of the new season we have some new faces to spearhead the side and I would like to welcome Roy Evans and Neil 'Razor' Ruddock to the club. Neither need introducing, their experiences and knowledge of the game at the highest level are second to none. Even so, you can meet the two on pages 7-9 and 40-41 respectively. We wish you both a happy and successful future here at the County Ground. Let's hope that they can continue the good work done by 'Crozzier' and Andy King this summer. Before leaving Andy had established an excellent base from which Roy and Neil can now build upon and I wish Andy the very best of luck in the future and thank him for putting a smile on people's faces when all was not well. To you, our readers, I hope you enjoyed the magazine that covered all three of the pre-season games, now it's time for the real battle!

Here's to a successful season! All the best and enjoy the programme*

Nick Judd - Programme Editor

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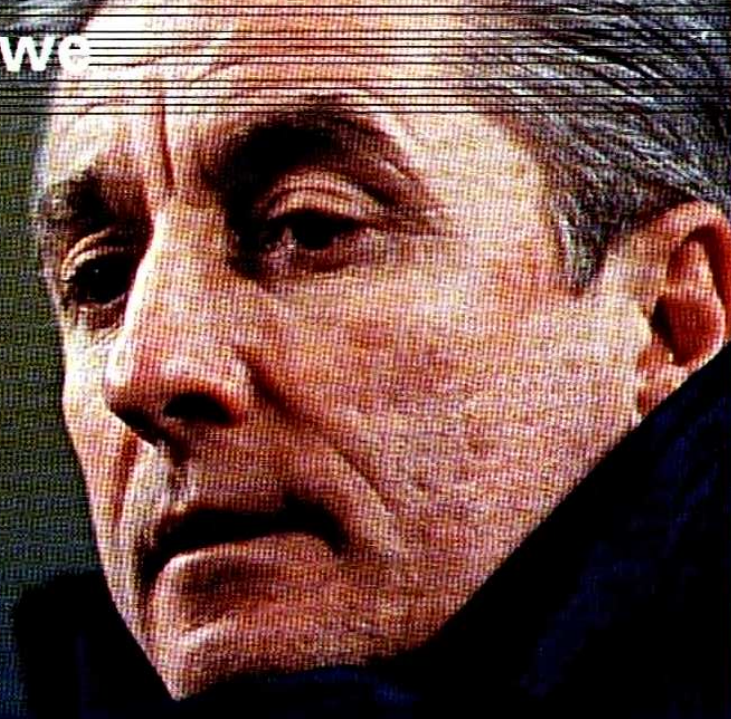


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"PERHAPS WE CAN
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BEHIND THE SCENES

Welcome to another season – one that we all hope will bring excitement and a promotion battle for Swindon Town FC.

Like me, I guess many of you are glad that the reason we are all here - football - is upon us. The past few months have certainly been busy for all sorts of reasons. Perhaps we can now concentrate on the task in hand out there on the field. As well as welcoming new faces to the County Ground, I would also like to say a big thank you to all our staff for their work during the closed season to get us - and the stadium - ready for the campaign. Ron Topp and his stadium maintenance team have excelled in their preparations, as has our groundsman, Geoff Warren. In the office Linda and Andrea have been busy preparing all the necessary paperwork and marketing man Rob O' Carroll has been hard at work talking to sponsors old and new. A lot of people think that everyone goes on holiday once the season ends - far from it. Just a few weeks break and it's back to work, so a big public thank you to all our loyal staff for their efforts during these past three months.

This season we have a new management team in Roy Evans, a man of huge experience together with his number two, Malcolm Crosby. We also welcome back Viv Busby from a long illness and say hello to a new face in the coaching department (and hopefully on the field), Neil 'Razor' Ruddock. Roy's pedigree is faultless; 34 years at Liverpool as a player, member of the infamous boot room, the coaching set-up and finally, as manager. Working with some of 'the greats' in the game like Bill Shankly and Bob Paisley must have given Roy a tremendous education and we welcome him to the club today for his first game in charge. 'Razor' has been a cult figure wherever he has played, a no-nonsense defender who leads from the front. I spent an enjoyable afternoon with him last Saturday at Dorchester and I can tell you that he can't wait to get out there and give us a lift. New seasons bring new clubs and television deals and this season is no different. We welcome QPR, Huddersfield, Tranmere Rovers from Division One, Chesterfield, Brighton, Cardiff City and Blackpool from Division Three. We are also excited about the Football League's new TV deal with ITV Digital and there are leaflets around the club (and news in the programme) that might interest many of you.

Finally, may I welcome today's visitors, Peterborough United. To the chairman, directors, players, supporters and of course, the one and only Barry Fry - a warm Wiltshire welcome but as I said last season (and will again this time around), there is only one winner - come on you Reds!



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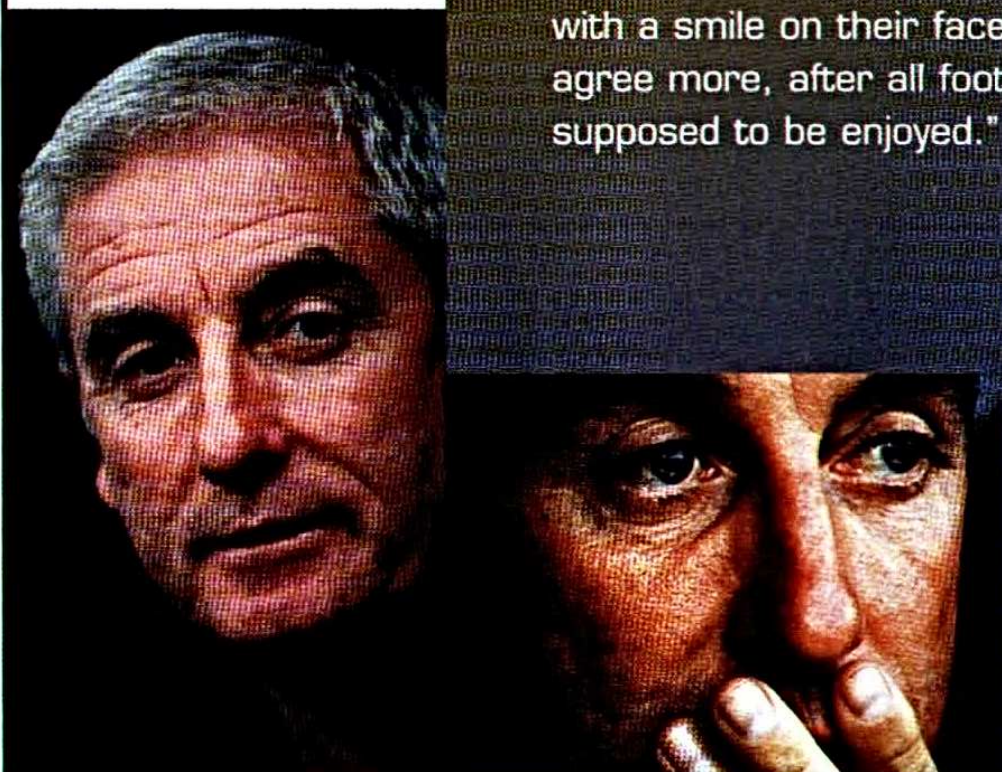
EVANS ABOVE

Who would have thought that when Liverpool and Roy Evans parted company by mutual consent in November 1998, that he would resurrect his career at the County Ground.

However, following five weeks at Fulham, he has done exactly that and appears to be looking forward to his new role as Director of Football. It has been too long since Evans was last involved in the beautiful game. Having spent over 30 years at Anfield as a player, boot room member and manager, Evans parted company only to re-acquaint himself with a former pupil at Fulham. However, the arrival of Jean Tigana ended both Evan's and Riedles tenure. Managerial opportunities have come and gone since then and Town's new supremo admits that he was beginning to think the worst. "I sometimes wondered if my best days had gone and that I wouldn't get another chance. But along comes a phone call and everything changes. I received just that from the chairman and his enthusiasm and direction was what persuaded me to come here, I'm very excited. "If you are not passionate about the game then there is no point being in it and Danny (Donegan) shares the same passion that I have. He is looking to take this club forward and hopefully I can do that!"



"There seems to have been so much change in recent years that we have to work together as a team to achieve some kind of stability. I think it was Malcolm that said he wants the players to play with a smile on their face. I couldn't agree more, after all football is supposed to be enjoyed."



Since the age of nine, Evans has become accustomed to the mercurial presence of Anfield and all that graced its turf. After an impressive, yet short playing career 'The last of the Shankly lads' continued his love affair with the club with several appointments before taking the managerial role in 1993/94. With this in mind the robust, harsh realities of Division Two could be a real eye opener for the 52-year old. "I must admit, I haven't that much experience of this league, but that makes the job all the more intriguing. With the help of the players and people like Malcolm Crosby, I am sure that I will quickly get used to it. The most important thing is that I get to know the players and their capabilities. Andy (King) and Malcolm have done some excellent work over the course of the summer and it will be great to continue that."

Evans' arrival last Thursday and subsequent parading in front of the media left just one week to prepare for the start of the season. So just how hard has it been acquainting himself with the players and management team? "I must admit, I only came to the club last Thursday and so I have not had that much time to work with the lads. However, I have had a week and in that time I have got to know them a little bit and worked closely together with Malcolm and Dick (Mackay) to find out who can do what. I think it would be a bit unfair to go straight in and make changes and undo all the hard work that has been done and so with Malcolm's help, we will be ensuring that there is some kind of continuity in our preparations. From what I have seen so far, we have some very good players here and their ability, attitude and aggression has been superb. Malcolm continued the work they have been doing and their fitness is excellent." As Liverpool manager, Evans never finished below fourth position, one that Town fans and management alike would gladly settle for.



CROZZERS COLUMN

Town's assistant manager gives his views on events of the last week.

"The change of management was a shock to the system at first, but I told the lads that they are all professionals and it is their job to keep working and to keep improving. Personally, it was difficult for me because Andy (King) was my friend and a good colleague, but you have to look forward in football and I am looking ahead to helping Roy and Neil. Nevertheless I wish Andy well for the future.

"To the lads' credit, they kept on working tirelessly in spite of the managerial change, especially towards the end of last week and at Dorchester on the following Saturday. Their dedication and hard work cannot be questioned, but then it was important not to let all the good work we have done so far go to waste.

"Roy and Neil have come in this week and everyone has worked really hard for them in training. They have had a week to get to know the players and haven't changed too much so far which is positive. In fact training has involved the same routines and the same practices and so there has been some continuity. Over time I am sure they will enforce certain things but for now, the team is buzzing together and looking forward to today's game."

"Swindon narrowly avoided relegation last year, but with a few wins under our belt and a bit of confidence that can soon change. Sometimes confidence is the difference between a side at the top of the table and one at the bottom. The lads seem organised and also appear to be confident which is a great start. One of my first jobs is to get a level playing field. There seems to have been so much change in recent years that we have to work together as a team to achieve some kind of stability. I think it was Malcolm that said he wants the players to play with a smile on their face. I couldn't agree more, after all football is supposed to be enjoyed. But before that happens there is a lot of hard work to be done by all of us"

One exciting aspect of Evans' management is his belief in younger players having nurtured Owen, Fowler and McManaman among others. Town have a relatively young squad and Evans is looking forward to seeing the potential. "We have a very young first team squad which means that long term, we can look at building them together. But I also understand that there are some very talented young players here and that is one of the most exciting things about the club."

**1ST AUG****ANDY KING DEPARTS**

Swindon Town part company with Andy King following the club's 1-1 draw with Premiership Derby County the night before. The club announces that it is discussing a termination package with Andy King and that several candidates have been approached. Chairman Danny Donegan reveals that a decision on King's replacement will be announced before the weekend.

1ST AUG**TOWN DEFEAT SUPERMARINE**

Swindon defeat Supermarine 2-0 despite fielding a side made up of youth team players and trialists. Trialist Berti Brayley scores a brace, the first an impressive lob from twenty yards, the second a header. Brayley makes his second appearance, along with Grant and Dadi who both played against Derby.

3RD AUG**EVANS AND RUDDOCK JOIN THE CLUB**

Town hold a press conference to announce the arrival of Roy Evans and Neil Ruddock at the club. Evans, the former Liverpool boss, is set to be Town's Director of Football, whilst Ruddock is to be the player/coach. Donegan states that "...this is a positive move and one that should take the club forward."

4TH AUG**TOWN SUCCESSFUL IN DORCHESTER**

Ruddock travels to Dorchester with the first team and is impressed by the club's 3-0 victory. Whilst Malcolm Crosby took charge of team affairs, Ruddock looked on as Grazioli, Heywood and Alan Reeves bagged the goals for Town who have now lost just two games in preparation for the big kick-off against Peterborough.

6TH AUG**EVANS AND RUDDOCK GET TO WORK**

Roy Evans and Neil Ruddock take their first training session with their new club for the first time. Travelling to Allied Dunbar in Wanborough on Monday morning, Evans experiences his first contact with the players since his arrival to the club last Friday as he prepares for the first game of the season against Peterborough.

8TH AUG**SUPPORTERS TRUST LAUNCHED**

TrustSTFC is launched at the County Ground. The trust, set up by a team of 14 people is aimed at giving Town's supporters a say in matters concerning the club, "run for everyone - by fans, for fans, representing their views and concerns." Look out for more details of how to get involved with TrustSTFC in your matchday programme.

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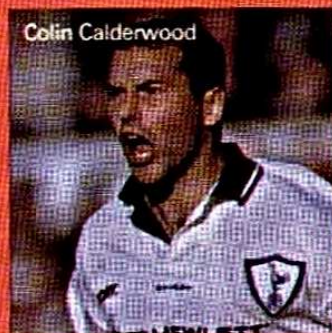
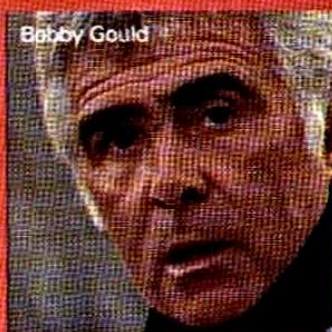
COLUMN...

Rumour has it that the long running transfer saga involving Shaun Maher is set to end with the former Fulham defender joining Luton Town on a two-week trial. Former Town boss Andy King had chased Maher's signature for several weeks but the 23-year old played in Luton's friendly against Tottenham Hotspur last Tuesday. The former Republic of Ireland defender is looking to resurrect his Nationwide career after a brief stint at Fulham.

Following the departure of Andy King nearly ten days ago, several names were thrown into the rumour mill as his replacement. The names of both Roy Evans and Neil Ruddock were brandished, as well as some more outrageous names; Ossie Ardiles, Jan Aage Fjortoft and Bobby Gould were all mentioned by supporters.

Away from the County Ground it appears as though former Town defender Colin Calderwood is to take up a coaching role at White Hart Lane. Calderwood, who hinted that a move into coaching was on the cards in last season's Notts County programme, is expected to help coach the reserves and youth side of things.

Finally, former Anfield hero John Barnes has played down speculation that he is set to be re-united with Roy Evans here at Swindon. Barnes has made it clear that he wished to return to the day-to-day action of a football club, but states that he does not know anything about a move to Swindon and that his television career has immediate priority.



Sound bites...

STEVE ROBINSON

on pre-season...

"We had a bit of a slow start against Tottenham and so on, but we were absolutely buzzing against Derby. I think the lads have really become a lot closer this summer and as a team we are looking forward to the big kick-off."

NEIL RUDDOCK

on Roy Evans...

"Roy is a great manager and a great coach. His door is always open if you have a problem and believe me I knocked on his door a few times during the five years I was at Liverpool! He is a player's manager and he encourages you to play good football."

ROY EVANS

on his new role...

"I am the director of football and in the eyes of the public team matters rest at my feet. I have said to the coaching staff that we will discuss team selection between ourselves, but once the team is picked we will all back the decision together."



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FROM THE **PRESS** BOX

Is anyone else out there suffering from County Ground motion sickness ahead of today's game with Posh? Never has the expression 'now I've seen everything' been so meaningless.

This football club really is something else. I actually feel very sorry for my mate Nick (the chap responsible for putting this programme together) as much of his good work was left in tatters by the dramatic events of last week. We started the week on the back of a good win at Woking. Four days later the old manager is out and a new director of football and coach have been installed. You can understand why I refer to motion sickness. A lot has been said and written about Andy King's demise. I guess your view depends on whether the cup was half full or half empty when he left the club.

But the first game of a new season means a fresh start and a time to look forward. I'm sure Roy Evans and Razor will have had chance to settle in and are looking forward to the action. The comments I made in the Spurs/Saints/Derby programme still stand. Please tell the person next to you to be quiet if they start talking about promotion or relegation. It really is a question of wait and see. I must say I was delighted to see Malcolm Crosby remain as assistant manager. Crozza is a tremendous professional who will provide some stability on the coaching side.

Andy Gurney, Eric Sabin and Richard McKinney have settled in well and the spirit in the camp generally seems pretty good. Today's visitors should bring back some happy memories for Town fans. If you were here on Saturday April 28 then you will know what I am talking about. I still get a shiver down the spine when I think of that moment. Despair transformed into elation in an instant. But that was then and this is now. If Mr Invincible decides to net a 93rd minute winner this afternoon then I will have no complaints. However, it would be nice to have the match wrapped up by then. Oh, by the way Barry Fry. That was some 'miskick' of Danny's wasn't it?

Off the pitch, Terry Brady has gone, Danny Donegan has taken over, the Supporters have formed a Trust and the Front Garden issue remains a hot topic. Personally, I hope the headlines over the next nine months are largely ones about success on the pitch. But never take anything for granted at this football club. Don't forget, if you can't make it to the game then you can follow all the action on the Evening Advertiser's web site (www.thisisswindontownfc.co.uk). See you all back here for the Oldham Athletic game in two weeks.

Andy Edwards is looking to lead his Posh side to a better result against Town this season after last year's 2-1 defeat

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RETURN OF THE POSH

BARRY FRY'S SIDE ENTER THE NEW SEASON AMONGST THE BOOKIES FAVOURITES TO GO DOWN. BUT THEN AGAIN, THE POSH WOULDN'T HAVE IT ANY OTHER WAY HAVING BEEN PROVING PEOPLE WRONG FOR YEARS.



No less than three months ago Town desperately needed a win against today's visitors in order to avoid relegation. Invincible's 90th-minute winner against The Posh not only helped keep Town in the Division, but also encapsulated a game that was both controversial and captivating.

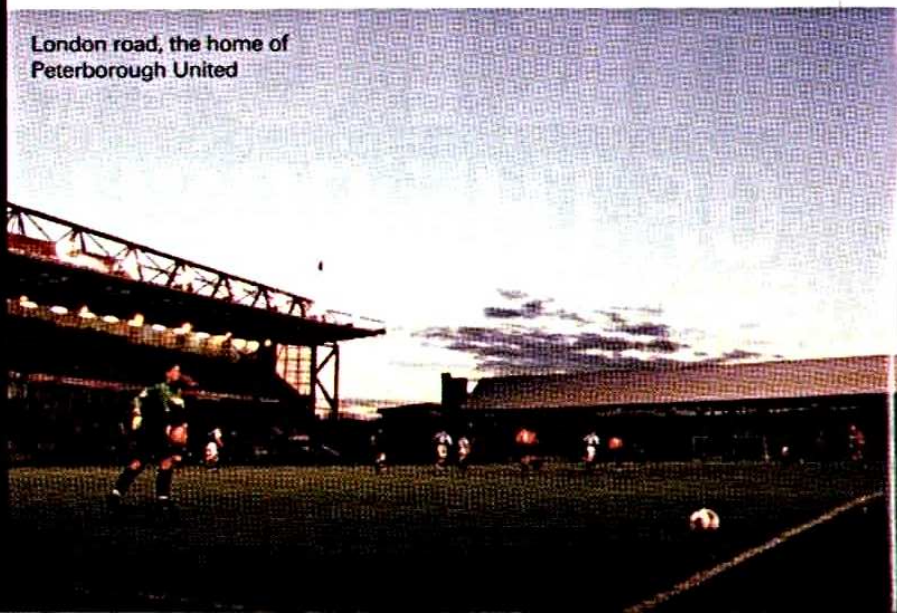
Posh facts

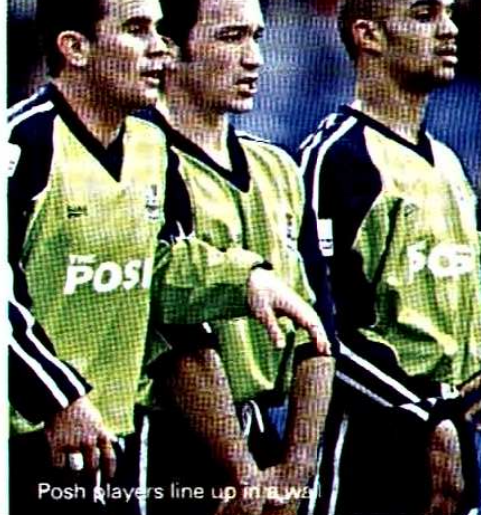
Name Peterborough United
Formation 1932 (turned pro: 1934)
Nickname The Posh
Stadium London Road (15,314)
Management team
 Wayne Turner, David Oldfield
Position 2000/01 12 (Division Two)
Recent signings
 Jimmy Bullard, Neale Fenn,
 Marc Joseph & Tom Williams
Form guide WDLWLD
Next three fixtures
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 Aug 21 Swansea City (A) 7.45pm
 Aug 25 Port Vale (A) 3.00pm
Top goalscorer McKenzie (13)
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 Promoted Division Three 1991/92
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 Promoted 1990/91
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Peterborough however, would have wondered what all the fuss was about having secured twelfth position already, the club effectively re-writing the Rule Book with a successful season devoid of big money signings and squad rotation. Like Town, The Posh also relied on raw talent, the majority of which had developed in non-league football or risen from the youth system. Barry Fry has worked hard in the closed season to add to his squad but has had to shop around for bargains and Bosmans to link up with his youthful squad. Money seems to have always been an issue with Peterborough United, their fans enduring a rollercoaster ride over the years, the majority of which were spent in the lower regions of the league and with financial oblivion a distinct possibility. In 1997, after years of managerial change and perpetual underachievement, Barry Fry and Peter Boizot teamed up to wave their magic wand, albeit without the splashing of cash. Instead, Fry's eccentric yet effective style of management was enough to mould a squad capable of life in Division Two. A 1-0 win over Darlington in the Third Division play-off final set up the London Road side for last season's challenge. However, the bookies favourites for relegation found life hard with an array of difficult fixtures facing them at the beginning of the season. But write off Barry Fry's side at your peril! A 4-0 victory over Town at London Road last year certainly showed Town supporters what they are capable of!

London road, the home of
Peterborough United



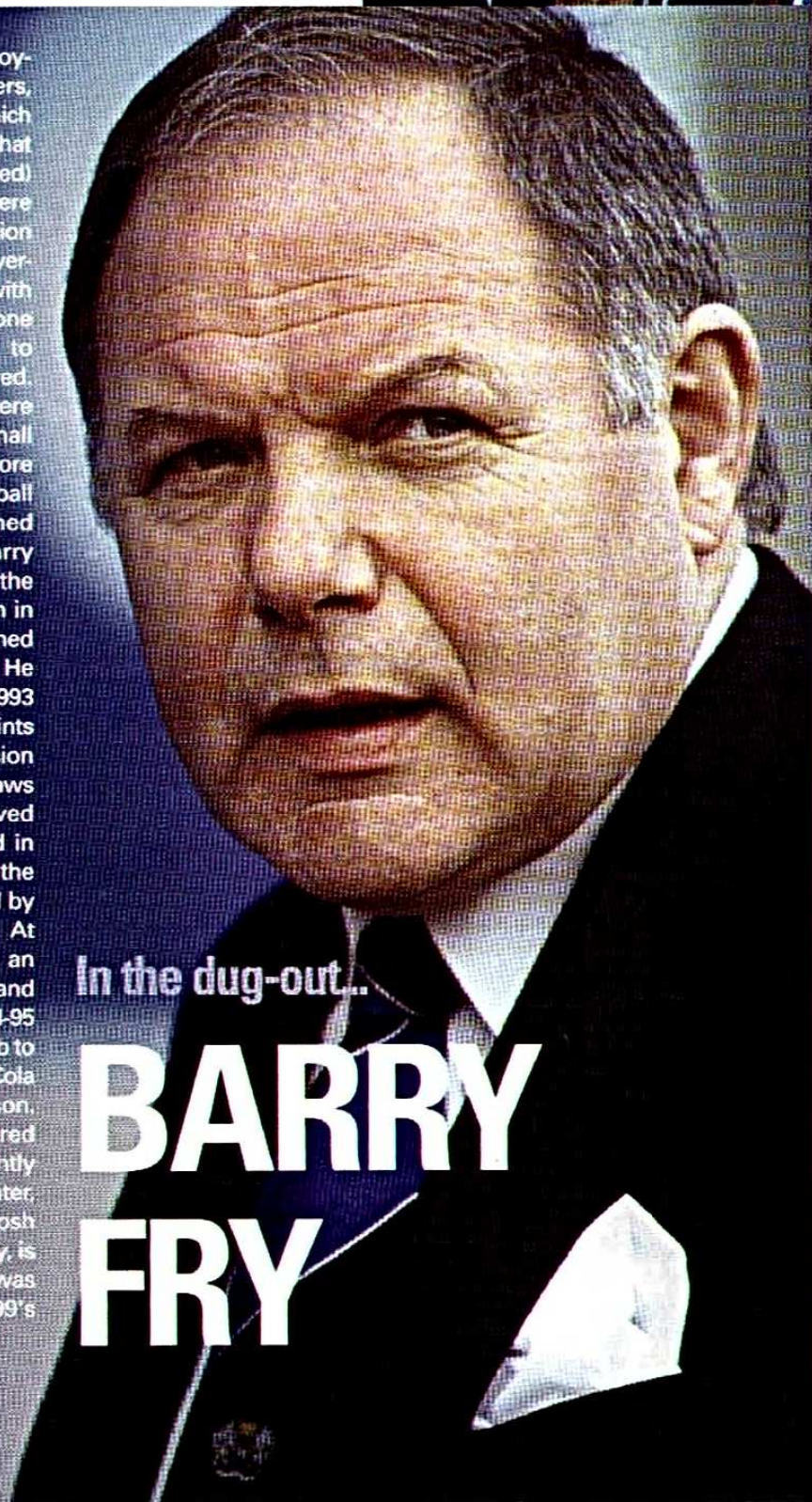


Posh players line up in a wall

One of football's most flamboyant and animated characters, Barry's managerial berth (which followed a playing career that started at Manchester United) came at Dunstable Town where he steered the club to promotion in his debut campaign as player-manager. Spells followed with Hillingdon, Barnet & Maidstone before Barry went back to Barnet where he had played. The North London club were runners-up in the GM Vauxhall Conference three times before gaining a place in the Football League. The club remained semi-professional, but Barry took the part timers into the play-offs in their first season in Division Four and they gained promotion a year later. He joined Southend United in 1993 when they were seven points adrift at the foot of Division One. Six wins and two draws later and Fry had achieved safety. Southend were third in Division One by the end of the year before he was tempted by a move to St Andrews. At Birmingham he achieved an Auto Windscreens Shield and promotion double in the 1994-95 season before taking the club to the semi-final of the Coca Cola Cup in the following season. Alas, league form suffered and Barry was subsequently dismissed. Three weeks later, Barry was installed as Posh boss and the rest as they say, is history. Relegation in 1996 was quickly followed by 1999's play-off triumph.

In the dug-out...

BARRY FRY



One to watch...

LEON MCKENZIE

Quick striker who was captured by Fry for an undisclosed fee from Crystal Palace in October 2000. Made his name at London Road during two highly successful loan spells in August and November 1998 where he netted eight times in 15 appearances.

Two of those strikes were on his debut outing and he delighted supporters by hitting the winner against Cambridge United. Was given an heroic welcome by the Posh fans on his return and finished last season as top marksman.

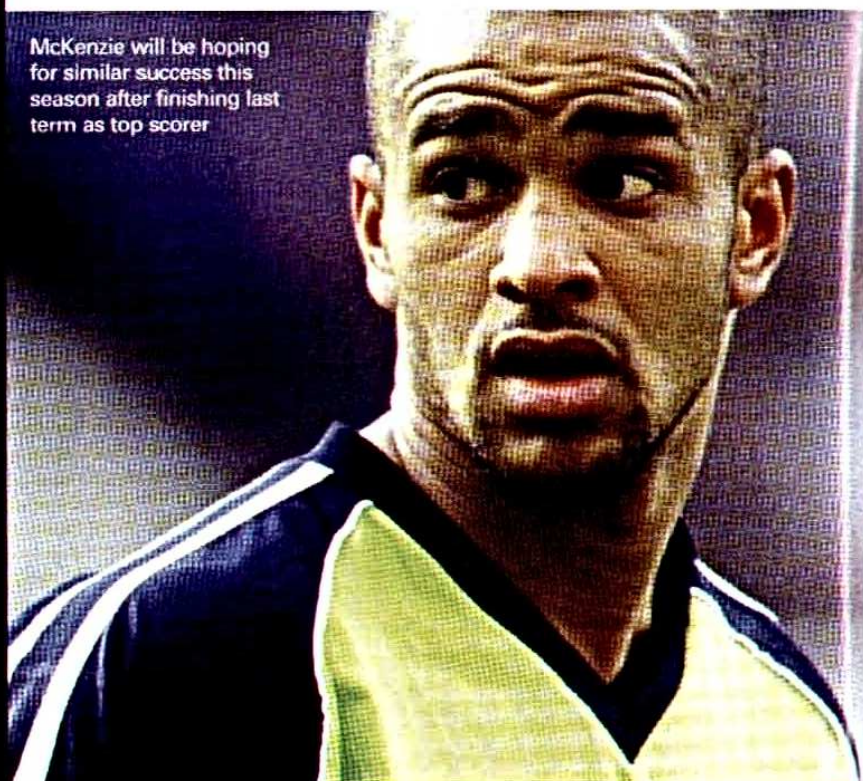
Young gun...

TONY SHIELDS

Tony rounded off an impressive season last year with the Supporters' Club 'Young Player of the Season' award. An Eire youth international, Tony rose through Posh's youth ranks and broke into the first team in March 1998 following a string of impressive Reserve performances. A tenacious player with a clever touch who is not afraid to 'get stuck in' despite his diminutive size. Will be looking to add to his three-goal tally last season and re-establish his international career.



McKenzie will be hoping for similar success this season after finishing last term as top scorer



Shields is hoping to resurrect his international career and continue his good form with The Posh.



Mark Tyler

Mark is rated by many as one of the best goalkeepers outside of the Premiership and regularly came to his side's rescue last season.

He came through the ranks at Posh and his performances in his first season earned him a call up to the England Under-20's squad prior to Toulon.

David Farrell

Last term was arguably his finest at London Road and the flying winger was Posh's joint leading player in the appearances chart alongside Andy Edwards (with ten goals to his name as well).

Can turn a game with a flash of brilliance on his day and is able to play on either flank.

Dean Hooper

A passionate performer who stood in as Posh captain at the County Ground last season.

Arrived at London Road after signing a two-year deal for an undisclosed fee from Kingstonian on 6th August 1998. Proved to be a bargain buy with his tenacious and attacking qualities on the right.

Helgi Danielsson

Icelandic Under 21 international and central midfield player who, last season, spent a week with AC Milan. Joined Posh as a 17 year-old and has just signed an extension to his two-year contract.

Helgi has both the ability to score goals, and strength to hold off challenges in midfield.

Jimmy Bullard

A talented midfielder who began his career at Gravesend United before joining West Ham for £30,000. Was in the same school-boy team as Rio Ferdinand, but was unable to break into the Hammers first team. Joined Posh on trial at the back end of last season when he impressed Fry with his pace and energy.

Jason Lee

Experienced front man who signed a three year contract in March 2000.

Has played more than 300 senior games for a total of 10 different clubs, his most successful spells coming at Lincoln (21 goals in 76 league games) and Notts Forest (14 goals in 76 league appearances).

Andy Clarke

Andy was a long time target of Barry Fry and the manager finally landed his man in May '99.

He went on to finish United's play-off campaign as top scorer with 17 League strikes in 38 appearances, as well as the winning goal at Wembley. Finished last season with double figures.

Francis Green

A pacy and powerful striker, Francis forced his way into the Posh reckoning towards the end of 1997-98 and is prepared to bide his time for a regular starting position. Another to have joined Posh from the non-league scene, signing just before the transfer deadline four seasons ago from Ilkeston Town.

Tom Williams

Tom should boost Fry's options on the left-hand side of defence or midfield. Started out with Chelsea at the age of eighteen and spent six years at Stamford Bridge before he was spotted by the Hammers playing non-league football in Surrey. Was signed by Fry after an impressive loan spell last season.

Andy Edwards

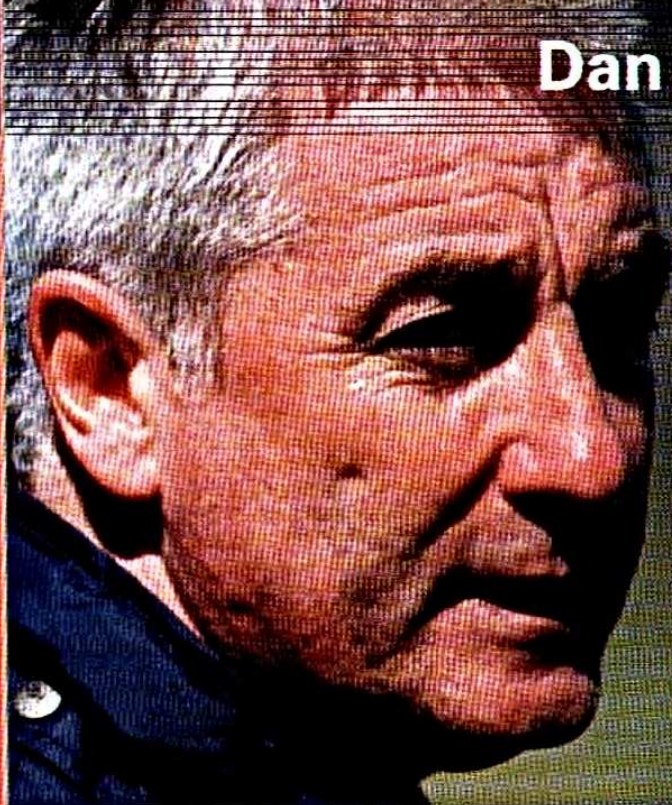
Club captain who enjoyed 50 faultless appearances in all competitions last season. Andy has been a rock since arriving from Birmingham City during the 1996-97 season. A threat in the air and a tenacious tackler, Andy has remained faithful to Barry Fry who kick-started his career at Southend.

Ritchie Hanlon

Attacking midfielder with the natural ability to prise open defences with his passing. 32 appearances in all competitions last season and was unlucky to have hit the net just once. The former Chelsea youth product spent two years at Stamford Bridge before joining Posh from Rushden & Diamonds in 1998.

Marc Joseph

Barry Fry's final summer acquisition, Joseph arrived at Posh from Cambridge where he rose through the ranks and signed professional forms in 1995. Classy defender who is blessed with sufficient pace and a long throw, he attracted interest from a number of Premier League clubs but opted to join Posh.



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FROM THE AIRWAVES

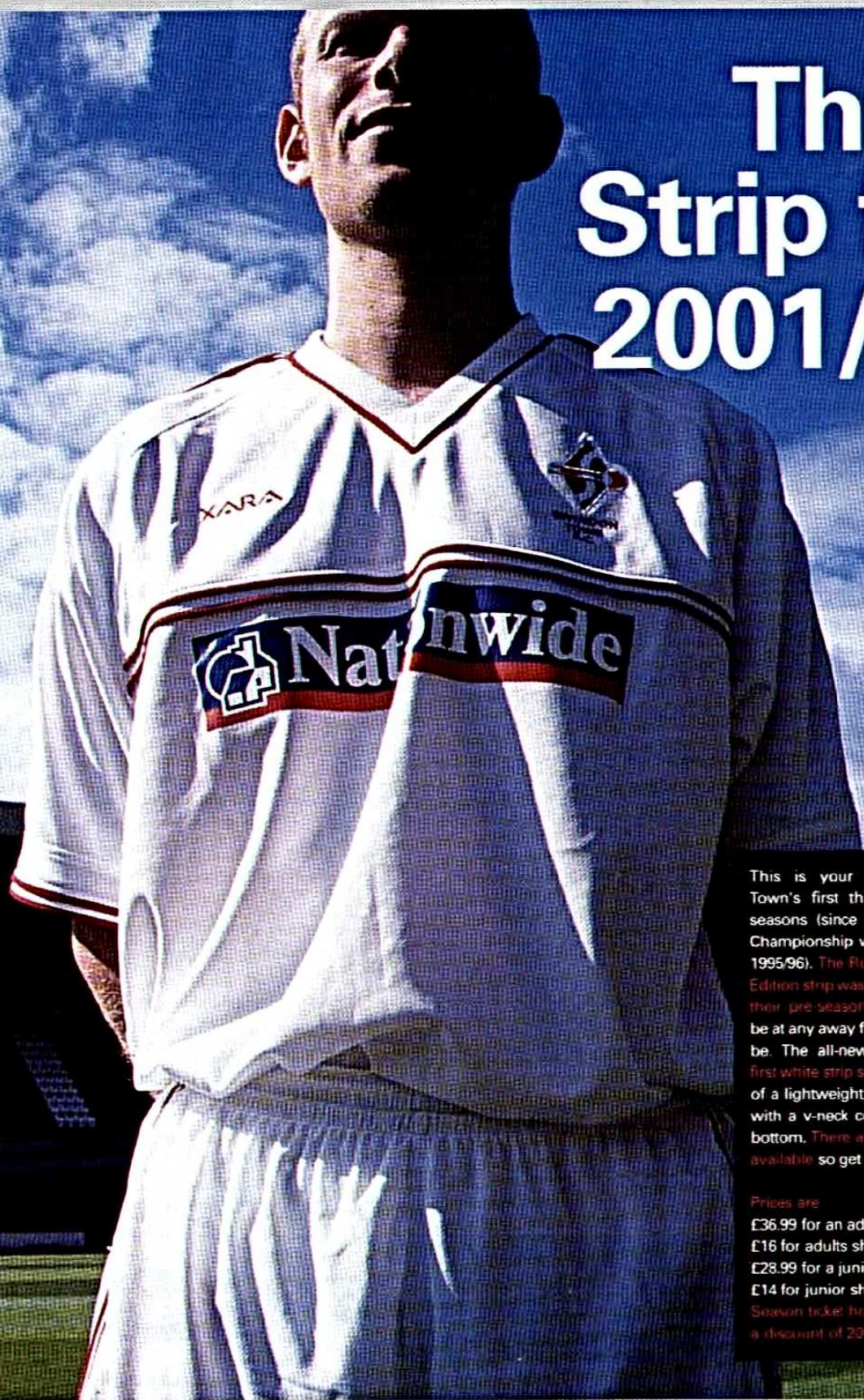
I can admit it now; it was almost too much to bear. Last home game of the season and today's visitors were the opposition.

Edwin Overland and his colleague from BBC Radio Cambridgeshire were to my right - saying how poor they thought Town looked. I have to be honest, it didn't look like we were going to get the result. I could see the trapdoor opening and Oxford fans beckoning for us to join them. Then the ball landed at Danny Invincible's left boot. "Hit it!" I shouted from my unbiased position in the pressbox. It flew in and to my left, BBC Wiltshire Sound's life-long fan Shaun Hodgetts was almost in tears, his true colours nailed firmly to the mast. "Yessssss - Danny Invincible's scored! DANNY INVINCIBLE'S SCOOOOORED!" Almost as famous a line as the legendary "they think it's all over!" We thought the drama had ended, but what an amazing close season. The cliff-hanger of a saga about proposals to move from the County Ground to a new stadium at the Front Garden site near the M4. A change of chairman, new Director of Football AND a new player/coach. Now, more debate over the future of the proposed stadium development. Phew.

In welcoming Roy Evans and "Razor" Ruddock to their new posts, I hope they won't mind if I spare a few thoughts for Andy King. Irrespective of the issues surrounding his departure, I'd like to put one thing firmly on the record. I've been watching football for almost 35 years now and in more than 20 years as a broadcaster have had to deal with some very difficult football managers who saw themselves as bigger than the team or its supporters. Some completely miss the point that a side's performance over 90 minutes can totally make or destroy the mood of local people. The weekend suddenly becomes one of the best ever or the worst, depending on that result. Andy King has been, without doubt, the finest example of one who fully understood the role of the media and the job we have to do. He never shirked his responsibility after a poor performance and let's face it, there were a few. I'm sure you'll join me in thanking Andy for his hard work and keeping us in Division Two against the odds and let's hope that Messrs Evans and Ruddock will restore pride to all Swindon Town supporters. As Eric Sabin proved pre-season - and the team proved against Derby - we have now got potential. Whichever way it shakes down, don't forget - the pleasure, the pain, the highs, the lows - every game, every goal on BBC Wiltshire Sound - Swindon Town's official radio station on 103.6FM.

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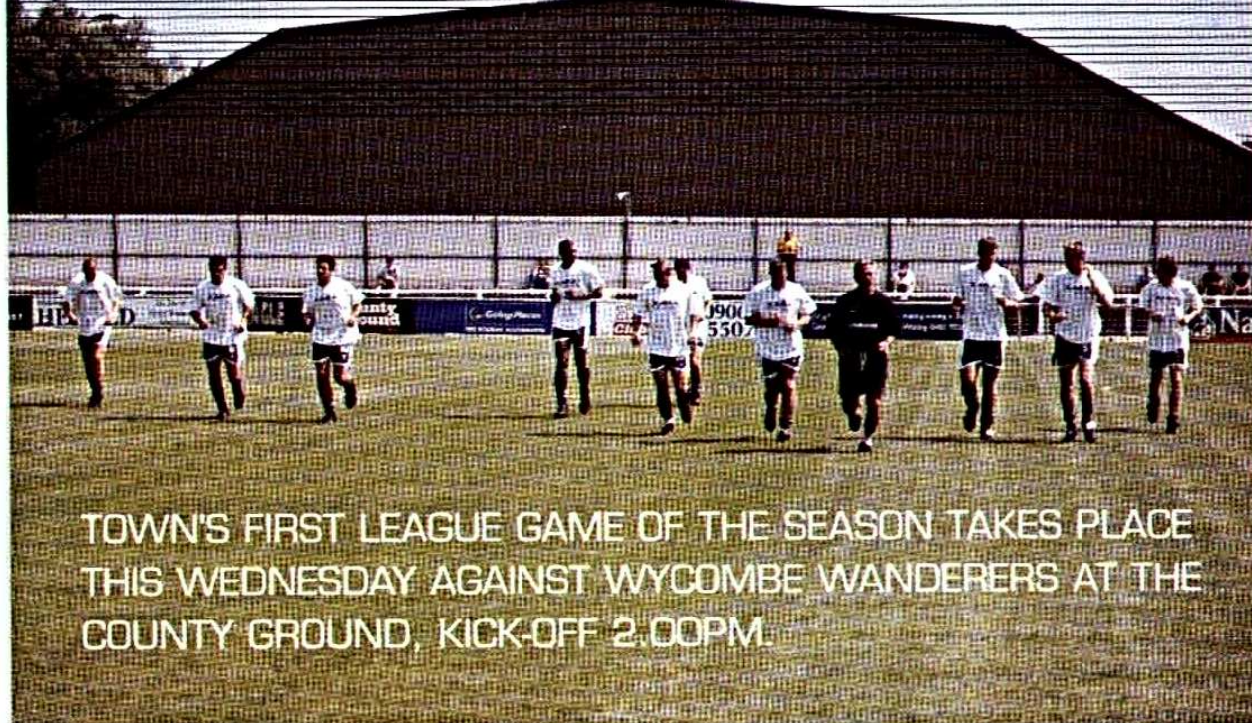


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IN RESERVE



With Town's reserve season just four days away, we take a look at developments within the Avon Insurance Combination League that could affect both Town's first team and their second string.

Town's management will be encouraged by a new ruling that states that all disciplinary points incurred by players within both the Avon Insurance Combination and Avon Insurance League will be ring-fenced within each competition. This will mean that players will no longer miss vital first team matches in the Nationwide League through offences committed in Reserve Team Leagues. The only exceptions to this will be for players guilty of violent conduct, serious foul play or spitting at an opponent, who will still be banned from matches in all competitions.

Alan Harris, General Manager of Avon Insurance commented, "As the sponsor of the two national reserve team leagues for Football League clubs, we would like to express our delight at this decision by the Football Association. It has largely come about as a result of the intensive lobbying by members of the Management Boards of both the Avon Insurance Combination and Avon Insurance League."

Neville Chamberlain, General Secretary of the Avon Insurance Combination said, "We have been pushing for this change in the rules for several years. The net result will be an improvement in the standard of reserve team football next season as managers will be able to field first team squad players without worrying about them missing first team matches."

Reserves 2001/2002

Wed Aug 15	Wycombe Wndrs	(H)	2.00pm
League Cup			
Tue Aug 21	Bristol City	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Aug 29	Oxford United	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Sep 5	Brighton & HA	(A)	7.00pm
Wed Sep 12	AFC Bournemouth	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Sep 25	Bristol Rovers	(A)	7.00pm
Wed Oct 3	Norwich City	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Oct 10	Cheltenham Town	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Oct 17	Colchester United	(H)	2.00pm
League Cup			
Wed Oct 24	Reading	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Oct 31	Southend United	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Nov 7	Peterborough United	(H)	2.00pm
Mon Nov 12	Cambridge United	(A)	2.00pm
League Cup			
Mon Nov 21	Cardiff City	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Dec 5	Barnet	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Dec 12	Luton Town	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Dec 19	Northampton Town	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Jan 9	Leyton Orient	(H)	2.00pm
Tue Jan 15	Millwall	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Jan 23	Gillingham	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Feb 6	Cardiff City	(H)	2.00pm
Tue Feb 12	QPR	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Feb 20	Crystal Palace	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Feb 27	Reading	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Mar 13	Bristol City	(A)	2.00pm
Wed Mar 20	Brentford	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Mar 27	Portsmouth	(H)	2.00pm

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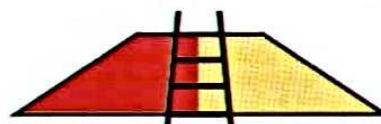
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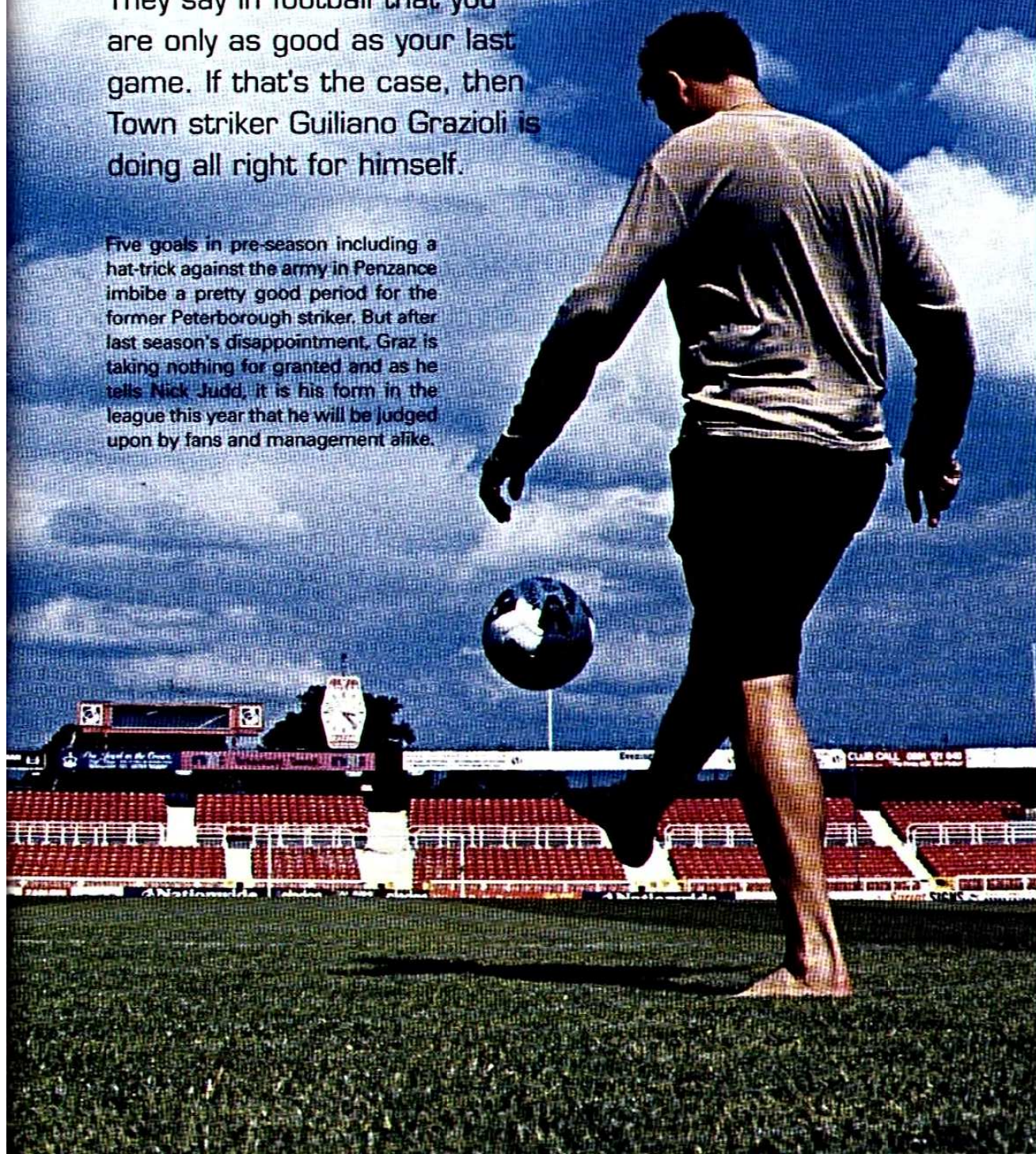

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THE ITALIAN JOB

They say in football that you are only as good as your last game. If that's the case, then Town striker Guiliano Grazioli is doing all right for himself.

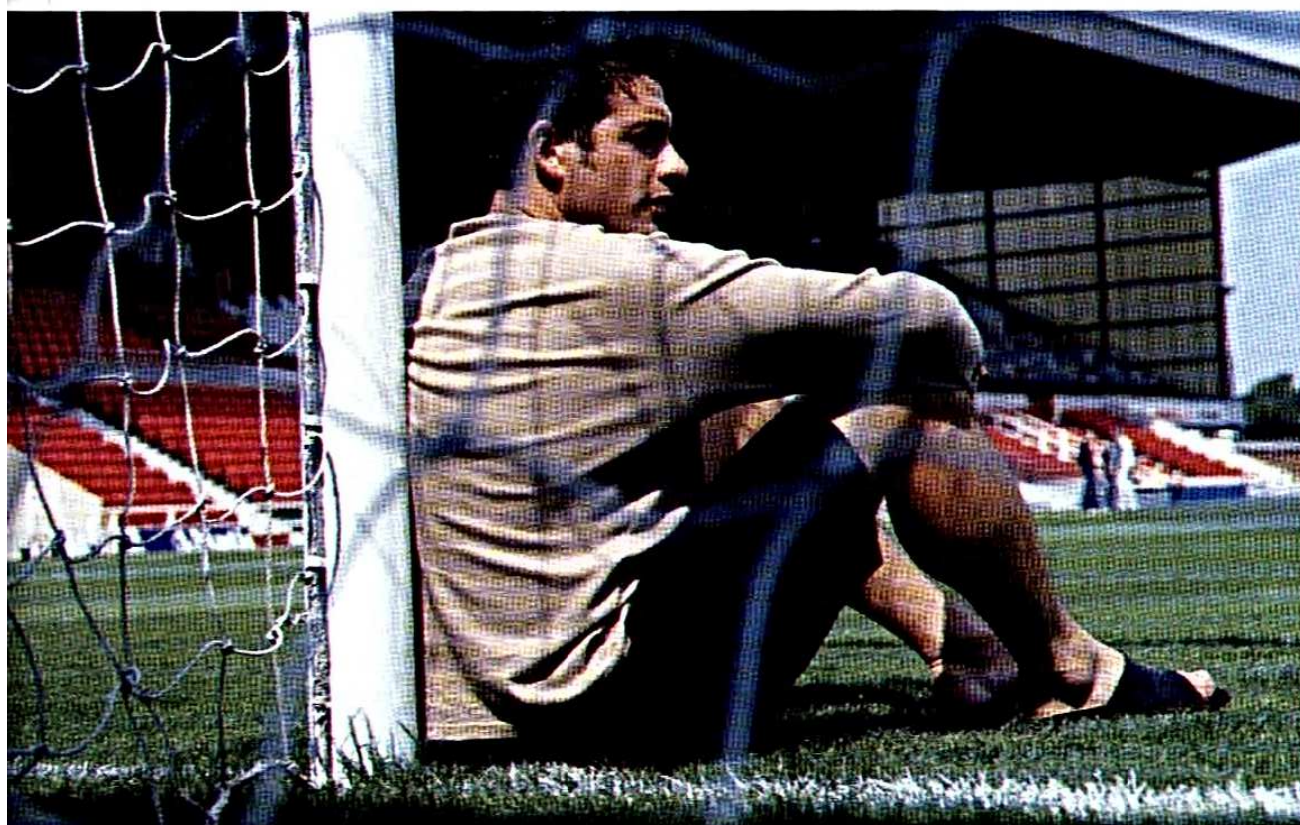
Five goals in pre-season including a hat-trick against the army in Penzance imbibe a pretty good period for the former Peterborough striker. But after last season's disappointment, Graz is taking nothing for granted and as he tells Nick Judd, it is his form in the league this year that he will be judged upon by fans and management alike.





Last season was a tough one for us all, not least Graz who not only encountered an injury that took him out of action for a month, but also fell out of favour and spent most of the season on the bench. But with the summer months and new management team comes an opportunity to reflect and look ahead at the new season and Graz has certainly done both in abundance. It seems to have done him the world of good too; a goal at Penzance, three against the army and then a fabulous goal at Basingstoke have given him hope for the new campaign.





"It's been a nice break really, six or seven weeks is just about enough. If it was any longer you would probably get too rusty! But it's good to get into the routine again, back in with the lads who seem to have come back in great condition and very fit. I worked hard throughout the summer to get myself in good shape before we reported back and I have managed to get a few goals in pre-season which is pleasing." Diverting his attention to the importance of pre-season and comparisons to last year when Colin Todd joined the club, he recalls: "It has certainly been a different summer to last year. A lot has been said about pre-season last year and the amount of expectancy that came as a result of that, but we seemed to have learned a lesson and have been a bit more relaxed this time around. Instead of worrying about promotion and gelling as a team, we are just concentrating on improving ourselves. As a squad (with the exception of the new lads), we have been together a year now and that is great for team spirit. I think one problem last year was that too many players were brought in and it was a bit too unsettling; at times I think we were too scared to shout at each other because we didn't know how they would react. I would like to think that we can really go out and express ourselves this time around, simply because the expectancy isn't too high.

"In terms of performances we haven't set the world alight against the likes of Spurs and Southampton, although I think we were superb as a team against Derby. However, last year we proved that good results in pre-season mean nothing. I think it is more important for players to get used to playing again. For me, I have managed to get a couple of goals and despite them coming against weaker opposition, they are goals nonetheless and it all helps build confidence and technique. I am feeling great at the moment, really sharp." Graz has figured regularly this pre-season and alongside a number of different strike partners. So what are his thoughts on Eric Sabin and the number of trialists that have been with the club this summer? "Andy (King) brought in three good players before he left and I am sure the new management team will want to bring in a few of their own. Eric is obviously the most influential on my behalf because I could potentially be playing alongside him, either that or he could steal my place!



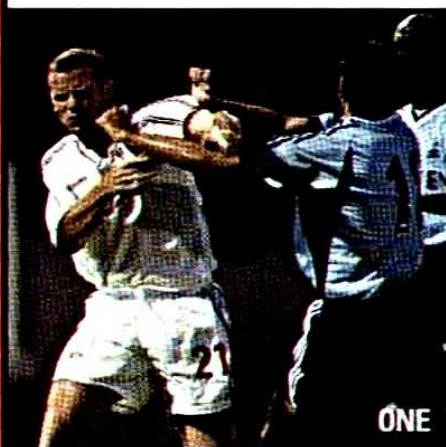


"He has impressed me greatly since his move. Everyone has marvelled at both his pace and strength, but it is his work rate that really impresses me. When you have a player prepared to work back like he does, it makes such a difference to the rest of the side. You can have all the fancy flicks in the world, but without that defensive element you are only half a player. He will work his socks off for this club and could do a great job for us." And so to today's game against Peterborough and Graz smirks when the club's name is mentioned, the striker having played at London Road for more than three years before moving to Swindon in 1999. Like most of Town's squad, Graz believes that a good start to the season is paramount to the club's success this term. He also adds that there is another, more personal incentive in today's match-up. "A good start is everything, just look at Leyton Orient a couple of years ago. Such was their poor start to the campaign that they struggled all year. However, last season they started well and with the same players nearly earned promotion. We can achieve something similar because we have a good, settled squad. We just have to get a few wins under our belt early on.

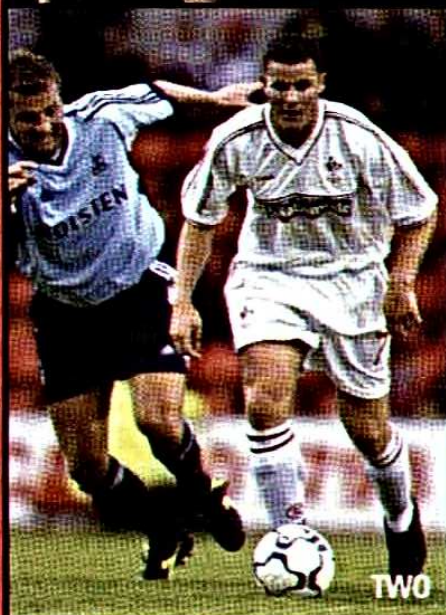
"It is also important to be more consistent at home. I have been at the club for a couple of years now and the fans have been fantastic, but if results aren't going our way then it is only going to be a matter of time before they get frustrated. They have every right to. None of us want a repeat of the last couple of seasons and we owe it to them and ourselves to do well. "In terms of our first opponents, well I couldn't really have done any better! I know most of the Peterborough lads and I still speak to them now because I had some really good friends there. Barry (Fry) was a great character and it will be good to see him and the others again, it will also give the game another edge for me. I had a good time up there, unfortunately I left on quite bad terms but I don't think that they will begrudge me! But I have no regrets, if I didn't leave Peterborough I would not have come here. The most important thing at the end of the day is that we win the game and get our season off to a flying start."

A result similar to Town's penultimate game last year would certainly go down very nicely. However, I think I can safely say that it won't be as nerve wracking! One thing's for sure, if Graz has anything to do with it there will be no need for ninetyth minute winners.

PICTURE ONE - Davies gets 'acquainted' with Gus Poyet **PICTURE TWO** - O'Halloran beats Tim Sherwood
PICTURE THREE - Invincible warms up **PICTURE FOUR** - Hewlett puts Darren Anderton under pressure
PICTURE FIVE - Town at Basingstoke **PICTURE SIX** - Sabin leaps at Woking **PICTURE SEVEN** - Eager fans at the Spurs game **PICTURE EIGHT** - O'Halloran at Basingstoke **PICTURE NINE** - Reeves scores at Woking

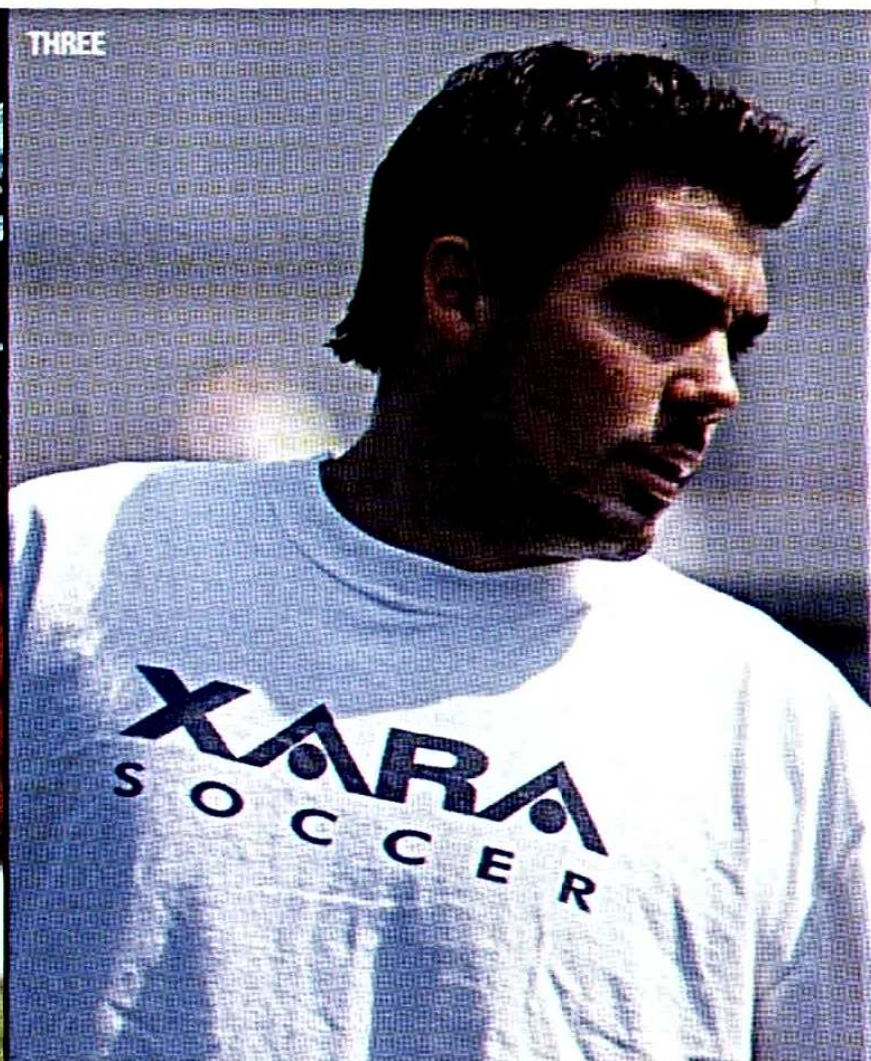


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THREE



Date	Time	Opponents	Attn	Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	10	11	12
Sat Jul 14	(A) 3.00pm	Penzance	-	5-0	GREMINK(45)	ROBINSON	DAVIS(45)	HEWLETT(45)	WILLIS(45)	GURNEY(45)	O'HALLORAN(45)	HOWE(45)	GRAZIOU	DUKE(45)	COBIAN(45)
Tue Jul 17	(H) 7.45pm	Tottenham	8,585	1-3	GREMINK(45)	ROBINSON(45)	DAVIS(45)	HEWLETT	WILLIS(45)	GURNEY(45)	O'HALLORAN	HOWE(45)	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COBIAN(45)
Sat Jul 21	(H) 3.00pm	Southampton	3,507	0-3	GREMINK(45)	ROBINSON	DAVIS	HEWLETT(45)	WILLIS(45)	GURNEY(45)	O'HALLORAN	HOWE(45)	GRAZIOU(45)	DUKE(45)	COBIAN(45)
Tue Jul 24	(A) 7.30pm	Basingstoke	-	3-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	HEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE(67)	COBIAN
Wed Jul 25	(A) 7.30pm	Carlton	-	4-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	HEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COBIAN
Sat Jul 28	(A) 3.00pm	Woking	-	4-2	GREMINK(45)	ROBINSON	DAVIS(45)	HEWLETT(45)	WILLIS	GURNEY(64)	O'HALLORAN(45)	HOWE(45)	GRAZIOU(45)	DUKE(45)	COBIAN(45)
Tue Jul 31	(H) 7.45pm	Derby County	3,259	1-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS(45)	HEWLETT(45)	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN(45)	HOWE(45)	GRAZIOU(45)	DUKE	COBIAN
Wed Aug 1	(A) 7.30pm	Supermarine	-	2-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	HEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COBIAN(56)
Sat Aug 4	(A) 3.00pm	Dorchester	-	3-0	GREMINK(45)	ROBINSON	DAVIS(45)	HEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY(45)	O'HALLORAN(45)	HOWE	GRAZIOU(45)	DUKE(45)	COBIAN(45)

STATS KEY

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 Played
 Scored goal

GRAZIOU 2
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 Caution
 Sent off

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 GRAZIOU(67)
 GRAZIOU(67)

Sub not used
 Sub used (time)
 Player replaced (time)



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NINE

14	15	17	19	21	22	25	26	27	29						
SABIN	McKINNEY(45)	INVINCIBLE(45)	HEYWOOD(45)	DAVIES(45)	REEVES(45)	ROBINSON(45)	YOUNG	McAREAVEY	WILLIAMS	COLLINS	FARR	RUSSELL(45)	HAVERON(45)	FERRARA(45)	
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with Dick Mattick

In a new series of historical articles, Dick Mattick takes us back in time and remembers some classic seasons.

When they travelled to Swindon on Good Friday 1963 many Peterborough fans were distinctly unhappy. Earlier in the season, a 3-2 win at Watford had taken them to the top of the table only for manager, Jimmy Hagan, to be sacked a few days later. Trainer Jonny Anderson took over as caretaker and they raced into a five point lead at the top of the Division Three table, only for him to be replaced by Jack Fairbrother who returned to Peterborough for a second spell. The Posh had slipped down the table and in the eyes of the supporters, had

committed the unpardonable sin of selling George Hudson (their star striker) to rivals Northampton Town. Despite this (and going a goal behind after 45 seconds) they came back to defeat Swindon 3-2 and just three days later completed the double over Swindon with a 3-1 victory on their own ground. John Turley scored two more goals to add to the decider he had scored in the first match.



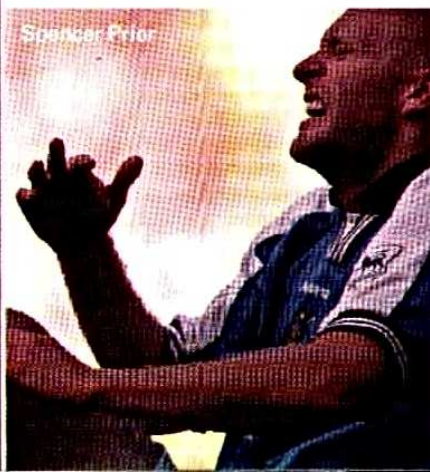
Bert's Babes

However, at the end of the season it was Swindon had more to smile about. In between the two Swindon defeats, Town had defeated Colchester 6-1, a result that kept them in the promotion chase. Five points from three home matches against Bournemouth (2-1), Carlisle (2-0) and Halifax (1-1) put Town back in the race and a 2-0 win at Colchester meant a victory at home to Shrewsbury would be enough to ensure promotion. With 89 minutes gone it looked as though they would fail before Roger Smart crashed in the goal that gave Town their first promotion in fifty years and ensured the champagne corks were popping. The squad (who were to be given the nickname Bert's Babes) had more to be proud of than their promotion success. They were a team that had confidence of youth that attempted to win games by scoring more goals than opposition rather than conceding fewer. This was illustrated by the fact that during the season they notched 87 goals and scored at least one goal every game at the County Ground. Ernie Hunt was the leading league scorer with 24 while Jack Smith (19) and Cliff Jackson (14) also made notable contributions. Virtually the whole team was home-grown and of the eleven that clinched promotion, only Owen Dawson from Portsmouth and Ken McPherson had come from other clubs. Perhaps the saddest note of the season was that young full back, Terry Wollen sustained a broken leg in the home match with Notts County from which he never fully recovered. The happiest was that of Maurice Owen who, since 1946 had clocked up over five hundred appearances - he was able to bow out on a high note. The average gates of today's teams makes interesting reading. Swindon had an average gate of 13,530 while Peterborough, who finished the season in sixth position was only a little lower at 12,011. What could be done with gate figures like those today?



CARDIFF'S CRAZY INFLUENCE

Cardiff's new signing Spencer Prior was in for a shock, as he put pen to paper on his move from Man City, after Bluebird's owner Sam Hamman inserted a 'crazy' clause in his contract. Prior's £700,000 switch looked far from appetizing when Hamman insisted that the new defender ate raw sheep testicles, cooked sheep brains and raw liver as part of the transfer deal. "Work at the League headquarters stopped completely, the staff could not believe it" japed Hamman. "I swear it's true. Spencer Prior has agreed and so have the Professional Footballer's Association." Setting fire to new player's clothing was the norm when Hamman owned Wimbledon and now the famous 'crazy gang' spirit has set up shop in the valleys. Spencer duly obliged to the contract, tucking into the Lebanese delicacies in front of Cardiff fans at the club's open day.



Spencer Prior



BRIGHTON FAIL IN ANGLO-IRISH PEACE

Brighton's tour of Ireland came to an abrupt end when a mass brawl broke out in a 'friendly' against Longford Town. The hosts were none too pleased when Seagulls boss Micky Adams took his players off the pitch for their own safety. Longford Chairman Adrian Kenny admitted he wouldn't be sending Christmas cards to Sussex. "We are very annoyed because they were to blame. They were the ones coming in with late tackles. It was the most unfriendliest of friendlies". The match was level at 1-1 before half-time and Brighton had been reduced to nine men just before the interval when Adams called an end to the game.



Micky Adams



NO TOWN TRIP TO THE SEASIDE

Bournemouth will start the season playing their home games at Dorchester Town's Avenue Stadium for the first six to eight weeks, including Town's September showdown. The South Coast club has stressed that there has been no delay in the work to redevelop Dean Court into an all-seater stadium, work that involves turning the pitch through 90 degrees. Cherries Chairman Tony Swaisland is aware that hard hats and football don't mix. "We did not want supporters wading through a building site to watch Bournemouth".

Steve Fletcher,
Bournemouth's
captain



ROY HAPPY TO GET SPLINTERS

Northern Ireland international goalkeeper Roy Carroll completed his move from Wigan to Man United where he will keep the bench warm, waiting for Fabian Barthez to get injured. Carroll, who has played nine times for his country, has signed a tidy little four-year contract at Old Trafford after joining for an undisclosed fee believed to be in the region of £2.5 million. "It will be great working with Fabian Barthez because at the moment there's no better goalkeeper in the world," said Carroll. "Obviously he is the number one, but I'm hoping to do well if I get a chance."



Roy Carroll

CITY & ROVERS SHARE? NOT JUST YET?

Bristol City's chief executive Colin Sexstone says a groundshare at a new stadium with fierce rivals Rovers is some way off but the idea is more than 'pie in the sky'. The idea that the two Bristol clubs should move in together has been muted many times before. However, Sexstone reckons there is a long term belief that it could happen; "Once a suitable site is found, the local authority concerned would prefer it be used for a multitude of activities, in particular, that City and Rovers could locate together". Rovers have used City's Ashton Gate several times in the past, notably in the early 1980's when a fire damaged a substantial part of the ground and for a game in 1987, when Lou Macari's Red and White Army won a seven goal thriller.



City v Rovers

LOTS OF SEATS FILLED AT READING?

More than 21,000 turned up at the Madejski Stadium for a pre-season friendly. What is not clear is whether it was the visit of Spurs or a home debut for new Reading signing Alex Smith who got The Royals fans hot under the collar. 'Smithy', who spent two years at the County Ground under Steve McMahon, joined The Royals from Port Vale in the summer and had Reading's best chance in Tottenham's 2-0 victory. Gustavo Poyet, who is a firm favourite with Town defender Gareth Davies, continued his scoring spree and proved why he could be a useful 'Fantasy Football' signing.



Alex Smith pictured here playing for Port Vale

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THE BIG KICK-OFF

With last year's trophies locked safely in the cabinet the Town are preparing for the start of the new season. The first team will again play in the South West Combination League and will hope to improve on last season's third place.

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The Town Reserves, having won the Southern Region South Division should have been promoted to the Premier Division but the two teams relegated from the Combination League were from the middle of the League's catchment area so Town were asked to move to the South West Regional League. Unfortunately this League's rules regarding "senior" players were such, that it would be difficult for players to move between the two teams. The Town Reserves will therefore play in the Wiltshire County League this season.

Town's season starts next Sunday, the 19th August when they entertain newly promoted Newton Abbot (from the South West Regional League). This game will be played at Aldbourne Football Ground and will kick off at 2-00 pm.

South West Combination League 2000/2001

Final League Table

Team	pld	w	d	l	f	a	gd	pts
Bristol R (Pl)	22	20	2	0	75	5	+70	62
Portsmouth	22	16	2	4	53	26	+27	50
Swindon T	22	14	4	4	89	38	+51	46
Yeovil T	22	12	5	5	43	27	+16	41
Bristol C	22	12	4	6	54	33	+21	40
Clevedon T	22	8	6	8	38	34	+4	30
Reading	22	7	4	11	49	59	-10	25
Cheltenham T	22	7	5	10	37	42	-5	24*
Salts P	22	5	6	11	27	53	-26	19*
Southampton	22	5	1	16	23	81	-58	16
Denham U (R)	22	3	3	16	32	66	-34	12
Oxford U (R)	22	0	4	18	19	75	-56	4



PLAYER PROFILE

Holly Ashman
Midfield

Age 17
Occupation Student
Previous clubs Cloview Girls
Honours
County Under 16's
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Favourite Town player
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CLASSIC GAMES

Real Madrid 7 Eintracht Frankfurt 3
European Cup Final, 18th May 1960
Hampden Park, Glasgow

THE MATCH - This was Real Madrid's fifth successive European Cup Final and their triumph against Eintracht Frankfurt was arguably the most impressive. It was almost as if Di Stefano, Santamaria and Puskas and co. realised that it was time for a fitting epitaph to a remarkable era, home and abroad. However, Frankfurt were no lambs to the slaughter and they had demolished Rangers (then Scottish champions) 6-0 and 6-1 in the semi-finals en route to Hampden Park. In fact, it was the Germans that took the lead through Kress in the first half before 'The White Arrow', Di Stefano scored a brace and Puskas added a third. The second half was one way traffic; Puskas added a hat trick in 25 minutes before Di Stefano completed his trio in between two goals from Stein. Real's comprehensive victory (broadcast live on British television) showed just how far ahead of British football the Europeans were at the time.



THE PROGRAMME - The Scottish Football Association (as host authority) issued their familiar programme, albeit larger - at 16 large pages - and more expensive than usual. The front cover encompassed a sketch of referee and club captains tossing a coin, with Hampden Park in the background. It was black and white on a red background and the red spot colour was used throughout the programme. The SFA President (and President of UEFA) welcomed the crowd in three languages opposite the programme of events. There were two pages of pen pictures and head and shoulder photographs of the competing sides and there were full-page, aerial photographs of both the sides' home grounds. There was also a half-page article on the four previous European Cup Finals. The centre page spread contained the team line-ups in a 2-3-5 formation on a red, football pitch image; a time honoured SFA style. It also contained a tri-lingual greeting from the Lord Provost of Glasgow and four, head and shoulder shots of administrators. To modern eyes, this programme looks both brief and inadequate. However, this production was a major publication in 1960, matched only by the SFA for the bi-annual visit of England to Hampden Park. The programme is by no means as rare as the previous season's Final (Real v Rheims in Stuttgart), nor the following season's in Berne (Benfica v Barcelona), but it can be purchased from leading dealers' sales catalogues at around £30.



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RAZOR'S EDGE

ENCAPSULATED BY HIS STRENGTH, POWER AND PHYSICAL PRESENCE, NEIL 'RAZOR' RUDDOCK HAS BEEN TERRORISING CENTRE FORWARDS FOR NEARLY FIFTEEN YEARS AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL. NOW, HAVING SUCCESSFULLY GAINED HIS COACHING BADGE, HE IS SET TO RETURN TO THE FOOTBALLING ARENA AS TOWN'S PLAYER/COACH.

Neil Ruddock needs no introduction as a player. Such is his reputation as a dominant and tenacious figure that many attackers in Division Two will already have circled their fixture list with some trepidation. His career began at Millwall in 1986 before he moved to White Hart Lane later that year. Three seasons at Southampton were sandwiched between a second spell at his previous two clubs before his career was catalysed by a move to Liverpool for £2.5million, coincidentally under Roy Evans' rule! Before moving on to West Ham and Crystal Palace, Razor cemented a relationship with Evans that would later see the two reunited at the County Ground. Yet whilst he is relishing returning to the playing field, his priority is to establish his coaching reputation. "My playing career isn't over but at the same time I am not getting any younger and I have started to divert my attention to coaching. I am lucky to be able to combine the two here at Swindon, I couldn't have wished for a better opportunity to develop this stage of my career."

Nevertheless, Razor is under no illusions and whilst he is at the bottom of the rung, he believes that there are few in the game that can provide him with the necessary experience as Roy Evans. "Roy's appointment was crucial in me joining the club. His wealth of experience and knowledge of the game is remarkable and he is also a great coach and man-manager. If ever you need help, his door is always open." To many, the partnership appears to be like chalk and cheese, but he is quick to diminish any myth that Evans is a soft touch, "He is a great man who has a mild manner and believes in his players. Nevertheless, he sets a certain standard and if anyone gives him any less than 110%, he will come down on them like a ton of bricks, he has a wicked tongue believe me! In saying that, people will always see me as an aggressive centre half but that is just the way I played the game."

Razor's immediate task is to set about bridging the gap between player and coach. "I don't think it will be too hard. Whilst I think I am an approachable guy, I am also learning from these lads too. The players here know more about the second division than I do and from what I have seen of them at Dorchester and in training, we have a very talented squad. I'd like to think that whilst I have a bit of experience, they can help me too."

Nevertheless, Ruddock has had little time to settle in with his appointment coming just one week before today's big kick-off. "Sometimes having no time can work for you. From all accounts the team has had a good pre-season under Andy (King) and Malcolm and they will be ready for the first game anyway. If there is anything I can offer that will prepare them better, then I will do so. But in terms of the Peterborough game I think we will be ready, no player needs motivating for the first match of the season and they will be keen to impress both Roy and Malcolm."

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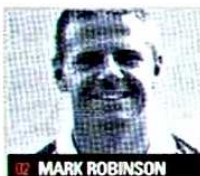
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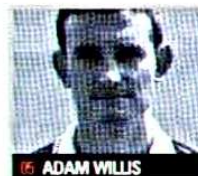
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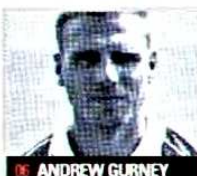
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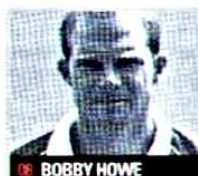
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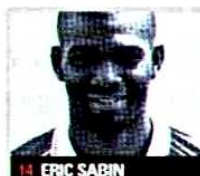
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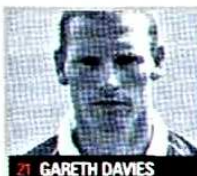
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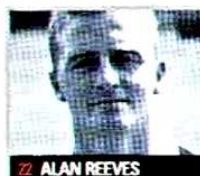
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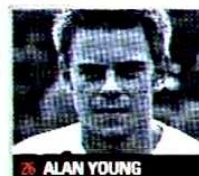
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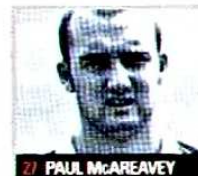
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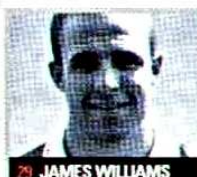
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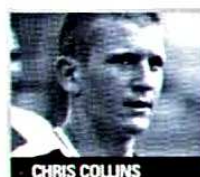
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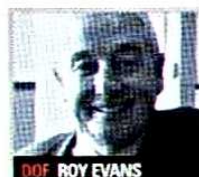
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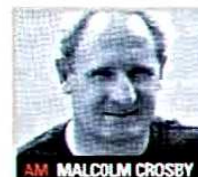
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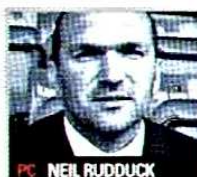
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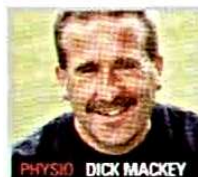
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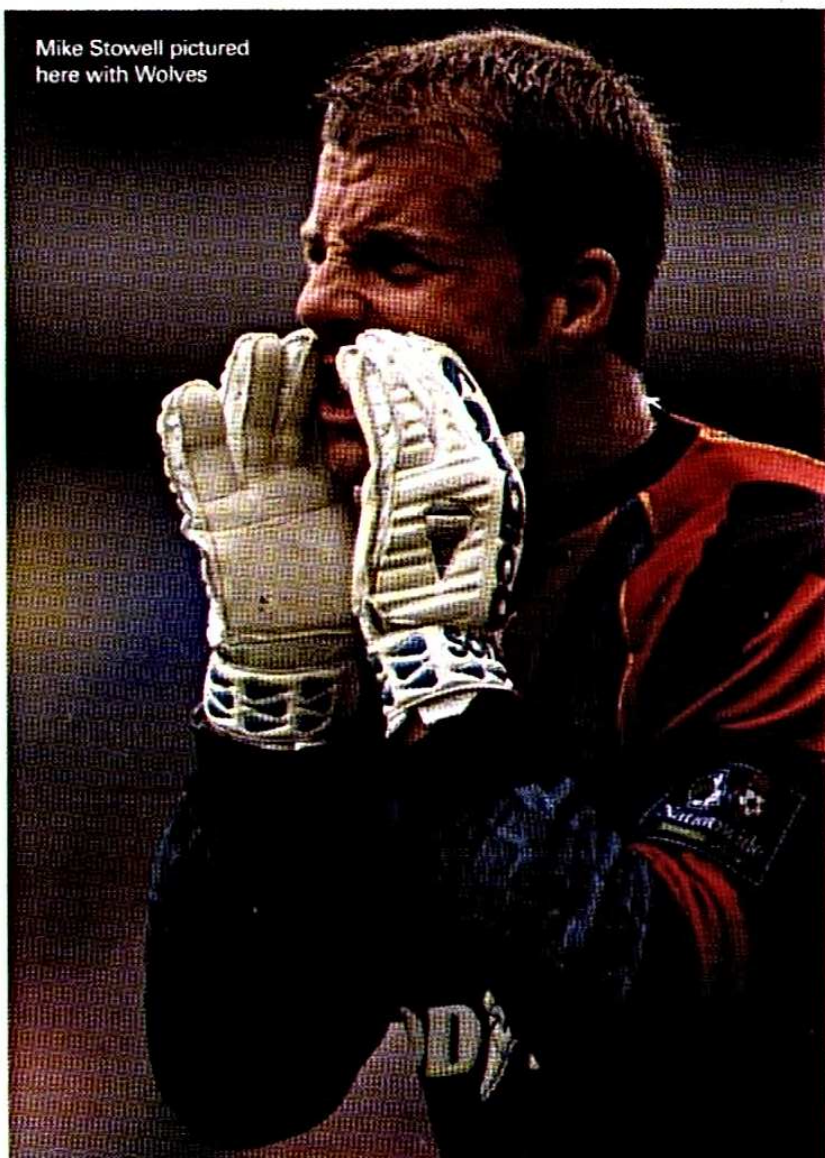
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DERBY DAY

With Oxford United and Bristol Rovers relegated to Division Three last season, it looks as though Bristol City could become the big local derby of the season.

Like last year, Town travel to Ashton Gate early in the season and they will be hoping for a similar outcome. An Alan Reeves goal was enough to sink Wilson's side before they embarked on a formidable unbeaten run that saw them climb towards the top of the table. However, that unbeaten run had to come to an end and City eventually ran out of steam towards the end of the season when they were on the brink of the play-off's. Last season encapsulates a difficult period for Bristol City fans, who, since the late seventies, have had to watch their side flutter around the lower leagues following a four-year period in the top flight. In that time they have had their hopes raised only to have them dashed straight away (last season's promotion surge a great example). This time around Wilson looks to go about the business of promotion with pretty much the same squad as last year, the signing of Mike Stowell from Wolves the only addition in the close season. However, with fans favourite, Brian Tinnion in the side the Robins are capable of another good season, just as long as they can add some consistency to their game.

Mike Stowell pictured here with Wolves



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The Club is operated on the basis that all supporters are able to participate, also we hope to provide you with a sense of pride and an additional link to the Football Club you support. We aim to help support the club, improve facilities for fans and act as a point of contact, not only for the media, but for the views of supporters.

Why should I join?

Why not! A small membership fee is compensated by a range of discounted offers in and around the Football Club. You can claim discount in the club shop, get ticket priority and discount on the use of facilities.

Finally, if you travel away, you are able to claim discounted travel through our appointed travel organisation. We are planning activities for the new season, including appearances on an ITV Digital TV quiz and fresh fund raising ideas and additional social gatherings.

What sort of internal controls do you have?

We are affiliated to the National Federation of Supporters Clubs

and keep a set of rules that mirror, and are consistent with their expectations. We are also data protection licensed.

How can I get involved?

Simply by completing an application form or, alternatively you can join the committee and help with fund raising activities eg: the half time draw. Whatever your contribution, it will be welcomed.

How can I contact the Supporters club?

By phone or email on the details listed above, or alternatively by post: STFC Supporters Club, C/O County Ground, Swindon, Wiltshire SN1 2ED, or in person: on match days at the away travel office or a committee member in the Winners Lounge pre match.

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BOYS DONE GOOD

The Milk Cup in Northern Ireland was a huge success for Swindon Town Football Club. We eventually finished the competition in seventh place from a possible 24.

It doesn't look all that good on the face of it, but when you consider that some Premiership clubs finished higher than ourselves and SS Napoli finished last, you can appreciate the standard was of the highest quality. In our first game we played County Tyrone and defeated them 4-3. Justin McKay, Lance Lewis, Matty Bennett and a penalty from Matthew Collins encapsulated a great victory, especially when you consider that the first game is always a daunting prospect. The game itself was played just after the opening ceremony that is held on the streets of Coleraine in front of 15,000 people. Then the tournament itself was opened by Peter Beardsley (former Newcastle, Liverpool and Everton striker); for the lads to follow all that with a victory was fantastic. Our next game was against Drogheda F.C. from the Republic of Ireland. Fortunately, we won the game comfortably 2-0 with goals from Justin McKay and Mitchell Wyatt. The game was shown on UTV both at prime time and late at night. The players were glued to the television to watch two excellent goals: Justin McKay's was a spectacular 25-yard strike in to the top corner, Mitchell's was a result of his positioning - getting between the defender and goalkeeper to score.

Both results meant that we had qualified for the quarter-finals and we were subsequently invited to the live quarter-final draw which was to be shown on television. The draw pitched us against Hearts from Scotland, probably the hardest draw we could have got! The Hearts side are made up of some huge lads and that can be a big advantage at under-14 level. We had reports on them that said they were very dangerous from free-kicks and corners, but not that dangerous from open play. We took the lead against them through Chris Zebroski and managed to hold on to the lead until there was just eight minutes to go. Low and behold, Hearts got a wide free kick and subsequently equalised to finish the game at one-a-piece. We eventually lost 6-5 on penalties, a result that left the lads devastated with a few tears being shed in the dressing room. The next day we were drawn against Charlton Athletic, now playing for fifth place. This was a great game of football played in good spirit, although it finished 0-0 despite good chances for both sides. Once again we lost 6-5 on penalties and the lads were gutted once more, but I kept telling them that they still hadn't lost a game in open play. Our last game was to take place against Everton for seventh and eighth place. I sat the boys down and told them that I was proud of all of them and that the game against Everton was of particular importance to myself (being a Liverpoolian!), also because Swindon have had good relationships with Everton in the past. WHAT A GAME! After gifting them a goal after 10 seconds, we went a further goal behind against the run of play. The lads showed the same grit and determination that they had displayed all week and managed to pull two goals back through Dave Stanbra and Justin McKay. The downside of that was that we had to face another penalty shoot-out! Fortunately we won 4-3, the law of averages coming into play! The Everton staff were very gracious in defeat and congratulated us on a great week's football. In fact, Norwich were the only other side apart from ourselves to stay unbeaten all week in open play. A terrific achievement from all the players, Clive Maguire and Roger Reeves in finishing in the highest position we have ever finished in five attempts.

RAILTRACK



BUILDING BRIDGES

SWINDON TOWN IN THE COMMUNITY

Good afternoon everybody and welcome back for the start of the new season. We would like to take this opportunity of wishing the new management all the best of luck for the 2001/02 campaign.



Our first summer course here at the club was a great success with 140 youngsters coming along and joining in the fun. The continual rain on the last day didn't dampen the spirits and everybody left with their goodie bags looking forward to the next course on the 14th, 15th and 16th August. There are still a few spaces available for the last course on the 28th, 29th and 30th August so give us a call if you want to attend.

As well as an excellent coaching course, children will go away with a comprehensive goodie bag and have opportunities to win further prizes. The courses are structured to enable everyone to learn new skills and techniques with the emphasis on fun and enjoyment. To obtain an application form, please visit the Community Office (next to the car park and County Ground Hotel) or main reception, or simply phone Clive Maguire or Jon Holloway on 01793 421303, or 07774 748888.

Our Saturday Team club will be running this season and we have sent out information to hundreds of local junior clubs. If you would like some details for your football team give us a call on 01793 421303. The Saturday Team Club involves local junior football teams visiting the club on match days and having a look at what goes on at the club behind the scenes by way of a guided tour. The day also consists of a ninety minute coaching session (with qualified coaches), lunch, a match day programme and a ticket in the Arkell's Stand to watch the game.

All the Best
Clive, Jon and Luke.



MAN WITH THE

MIC

WITH GARY TATE

Good afternoon and welcome to the County Ground for our opening fixture of the 2001/02 campaign against, ironically, the last team to visit in a league match, Peterborough United. And who can forget that match.

The 28th April is a date that will live long in the annals of Swindon Town history. The man from down under with a last gasp strike secured the points we needed to survive the drop. I dare say that Danny was unaware at the time, and probably didn't give a four X that his goal not only secured our league status, but also helped us wave goodbye to our rivals.

And so to a new dawn and I always get excited about the start of the new season. Some people have been saying that we should not get too excited about the season. I don't go along with that thought. The way I see it is that you have the same chance as every other team in the league, so why not be optimistic? So what can you expect from the PA system, fondly referred to as 'The Screaming Banshee' on the Peterborough website (must be a term of endearment!) Well, to be honest Stuart Morse and I would like your help. As you may be aware every time we score a goal we play a jingle that represents the player that has scored. Some of them a getting a bit tiresome and some players are no longer with us, so we would like your suggestions for every squad player. If you can send in your suggestions to the club by Friday August 31 we will try and produce the new carts in time for the visit of Tranmere Rovers on September 15. Get those thinking caps on! Enjoy the game and let's hope that we can play 'Waltzing Matilda' a couple of times throughout the afternoon!

with Phil Cannon

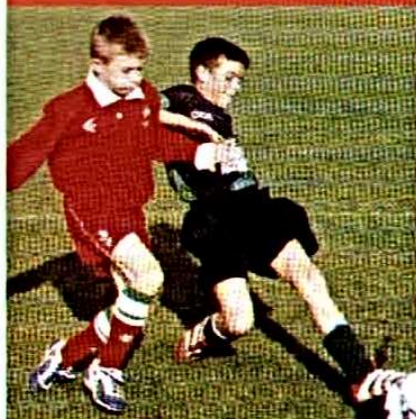
TOAST OF THE RIVIERA

Phil Cannon has been a busy man - first came success in Ireland in the Milk Cup and then on the English Riviera.

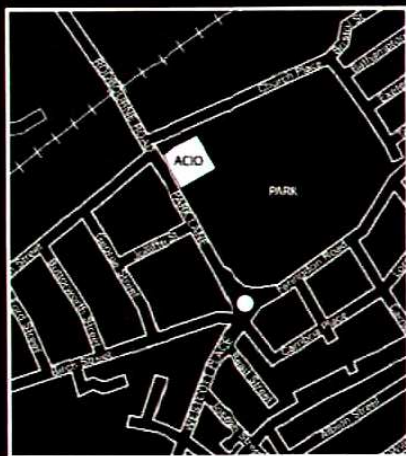
Before today's game Swindon Town's under 11's, 12's and 13's will be parading around the pitch with the trophies that they won at last week's English Riviera International Tournament. The lads played a variety of teams from Denmark and Poland, as well as sides closer to home such as Exeter City and Torquay Utd.

To win all three cups is a great achievement and is one that they will remember for the rest of their careers.

Special mentions must be given to two of the lads, Lee Moulton and Ben Wells who, after travelling to the tournament, suffered injuries which prevented them from participating in the games. We wish them a speedy recover and look forward to their return.



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Goals Info:



Where



14 Goals



28 Goals



5 Goals

How

Shots.....15
Headers.....8
Volleys.....16
Penalties.....5
Free Kicks.....2
O.G.s.....1

Top Scorers

Invincible.....9
Alexander.....7
O'Halloran.....5
Reddy.....4
Robinson.....3
Reeves.....3
Woan.....3

2000-2001

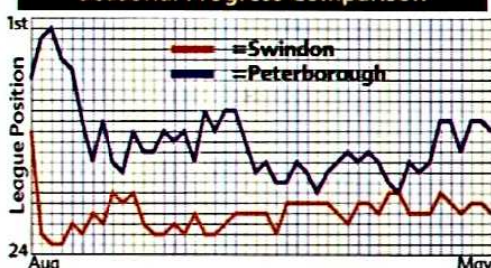
Highest Gate
10,031
vs Bristol City
Lowest Gate
3,452
vs Cambridge
Average Gate
6,198
Players Used 36
Clean Sheets 13
Failed to Score
17
Consec. Wins
2 gms (2 times)
Consec. Defeats
4 games

Robins' Last 10

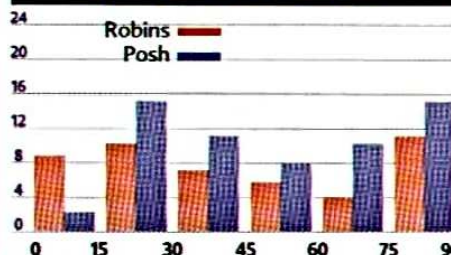
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L	Stoke	A	5th
W	Peterborough	H	11th
D	Wycombe	A	18th
L	Notts County	H	10th
L	Millwall	A	1st
W	Brentford	A	13th
S	Northampton	H	11th
L	Rotherham	A	1st
L	Reading	H	3rd
D	Bristol Rovers	A	21st

Last Season's Stats

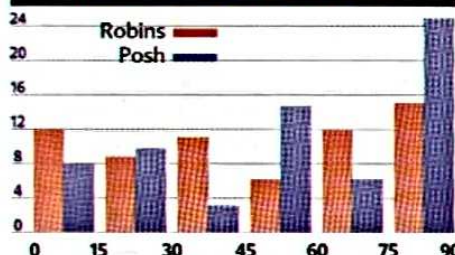
Seasonal Progress Comparison



When Goals were Scored



When Goals were Conceded



Danny Invincible (Swindon) Top Scorers Comparison Leon McKenzie (Peterborough)



Goals.....9
Games.....42
Average.....0.21

7 games.....Total Games Scored In.....11 games
5 games.....Games Scored 1 Goal.....9 games
2 games.....Games Scored 2 Goals.....2 games
0 games.....Hat-tricks.....0 games

W->L.....0 (0pts) Season's Results and W->L.....1 (3pts)
W->D.....3 (6pts) (loss of points) without W->D.....2 (4pts)
D->L.....1 (1pts) the two goalscorers goals D->L.....3 (3pts)

2 games.....Maximum scoring run.....2 games
18 games.....Maximum Dry Spell.....4 games

4.....Shot.....8
0.....Header.....3
5.....Volleyed Shot.....0
0.....Penalty.....2
0.....Direct free Kick.....0

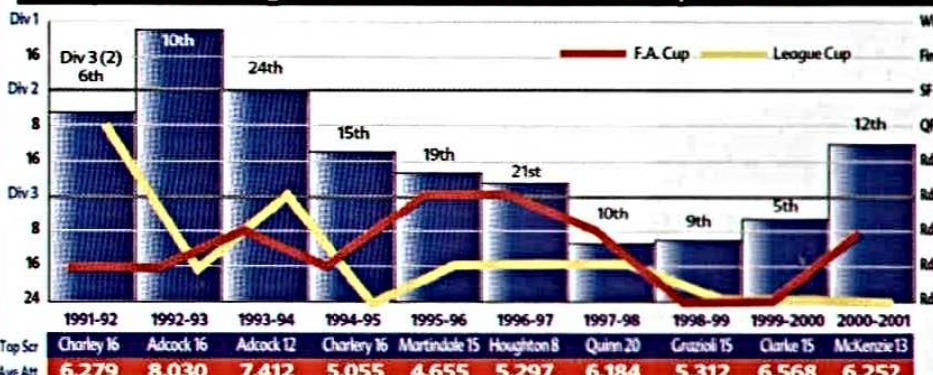


Goals.....13
Games.....30
Average.....0.43

Peterborough Goals.....61
Peterborough Games.....46
Peterborough's Goal Ave.....1.33

Swindon Goals.....47
Swindon Games.....46
Swindon's Goal Ave.....1.02

Peterborough United's Last 10 Years - The Complete Record



Goals Info:



Where



10 Goals



44 Goals



7 Goals

How

Shots.....35
Headers.....11
Volleys.....7
Penalties.....4
Free Kicks.....2
O.G.s.....2

Top Scorers

McKenzie.....13
Clarke.....9
Lee.....8
Farrell.....7
Green.....6
Oldfield.....3

2000-2001

Highest Gate
11,274
vs Rotherham
Lowest Gate
4,004
vs Oxford
Average Gate
6,252
Players Used 29
Clean Sheets 12
Failed to Score
12
Consec. Wins
2 gms (2 times)
Consec. Defeats
2 gms (4 times)

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with George Chadwick

JUNIOR ROBINS

A big warm welcome to all our members (old and new), who have joined the Junior Robins for the start of this season.

We hope you all had a really good summer break, ready and refreshed to give the lads your vocal support. We would love to have a better response to our away trips this season and we have already been in touch with a few clubs who might be interested in reciprocal visits. One of them is Stoke City; those of you who travelled with us last season will remember what a good time we had there.

This is your little section of the supporters club and we need more members up to 16 years of age, so come and enrol for just £3 each for the season - a small amount to pay for all the advantages you get! Application Forms are available by writing to Swindon Town Supporters Club - c/o County Ground, Swindon, Wilts, SN1 2ED.

If you require any further information please contact George on 01672 520679, or Richard on 01993 703110.

If you are interested in joining, then contact Swindon Town's Soccer Centre co-ordinator, Jimmy Fraser, on 01793 644777



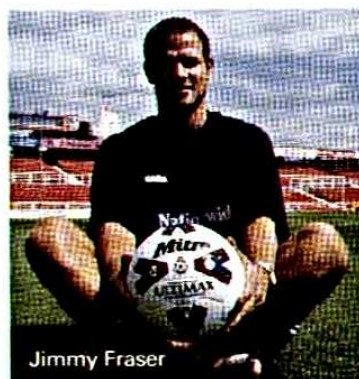
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SOCCER CENTRES WITH JIMMY FRASER

Hello and welcome to the new season and today's game against Peterborough.

Swindon Town Football Club run Soccer Centres in and around Swindon and Wiltshire, for boys and girls of all abilities aged between 5 - 11 years of age.

The courses are run by Qualified FA Coaches who work to a structured coaching programme designed for everyone's enjoyment. So you will be put through your paces in all aspects of football including dribbling, shooting, skills, small-sided games and much more - but all the time the emphasis is on enjoyment and fun. All the Soccer Centres run in conjunction with the school term, so courses vary from five-seven. The next course starts the week commencing Monday 10th September at the Haydon Centre.



Jimmy Fraser

To book a place on the Swindon Town Soccer Centres, you have to pay in full to your chosen leisure centre reception. The cost of the courses are £2.50 per session (sessions are one hour). Non Swindon Borough courses may differ, please check with your centre. Listed below are the venue of the Soccer Centres. See next programme for dates and times.

SWINDON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SOCCER CENTRES

LINK CENTRE (Swindon Borough)
OASIS (Swindon Borough)
HIGHWORTH (Swindon Borough)
HAYDON CENTRE (Swindon Borough)
MALMESBURY
ACTIVITY ZONE (New Centre)

STRATTON
MARLBOROUGH
RIDGEWAY LEISURE CENTRE
CRICKLADE LEISURE CENTRE
BAMPTON (Oxon)
TIDWORTH (New Centre)

PASTURES NEW

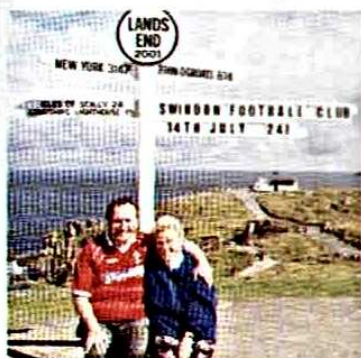
Swindon Town F.C. are to say fare well to two members of staff. Robin Humby, Town's Management Accountant has already left the club, his last day coming on July 31. Robin has been a Swindon supporter since the age of eight and last year was announced as Town's Employee of the year. Jackie Kent is the other member of staff to move on to pastures new. She is off to GWR FM having worked at the club for nearly six years. Jackie has just returned from a trip to the Himalayas in aid of Mencap and one of her favourite moments whilst working at the club was to get the youth team dancing to SClub7! To both of them, we wish you all the best of luck in the future.

REAL FANS REAL FOOTBALL



HODDLE RETURNS

Pictured here with former Town boss and current Spurs manager, Glenn Hoddle, is Town's very own catering manager Brian Wood with son Ashley. Both Brian and Ashley support Tottenham and managed to meet the players before the game, whilst Ashley was mascot for the evening.



ROAD TO NOWHERE

Pictured here enjoying the sun in Penzance are Mr and Mrs Solis, both avid Town supporters who made the most out of Town's trip to the south-west of England.



BOYS ON TOUR

Town fan Nabil Hossan is pictured here with friend and Man U fan Lewis Raven whilst on holiday in Gran Canaria. "We both used to go to Cardiff University," writes Hossan. "Lewis and I played for the same football team and along with a few others, decided to go on holiday before the start of the football season. It's a shame the background didn't come out because we had a nice view from the balcony."

Quick Quiz answers
What year? 1998
Guess who? Steve "Turbo" Robinson

QUICK QUIZ

WHAT YEAR?

Can you guess the year from this picture?



GUESS WHO?

Can you identify the Town player described below from the use of these clues?

1. Has previously been described as a 'chirpy midfielder.'
2. His nickname would suggest that he can run for hours.
3. Signed for a fee in the region of £50,000 from St Andrews.
4. Scored a brace at the Manor Ground last season.
5. Claims to have a golfing handicap of sixteen.

On July 21st, one of our most loyal supporters, Dave Hollister, sadly passed away after a long battle with Mesothelioma. Dave was a local man. He grew up with his family in Dixon Street, served his apprenticeship with the railway and was a life long season-ticket holder. Not only was he a fan, but for 11 years he held the position of Promotions Manager here at the County Ground and was known and loved by many. Dave had a sunny disposition, he always managed to find the funny side of things whatever he faced. He also had a wonderful way with words and was quite a poet and talented cartoonist - often making staff their own unique birthday cards. Dave will be remembered and loved by Shirley, his wife of 18 years and missed by us all. Rest In Peace Dave.

STATS 2001/02

STATS KEY

GRAZIOU	Not played
GRAZIOU	Played
GRAZIOU	Scored goal
GRAZIOU 2	Scored two goals
GRAZIOU	Caution
GRAZIOU	Sent off
GRAZIOU	Sub not used
GRAZIOU(67)	Sub used (time)
GRAZIOU(67)	Player replaced (time)

Date	Time	Opponents	Attn	Score
Sat Aug 11	(H) 3.00pm	Peterborough Utd		
Sat Aug 18	(A) 3.00pm	Bristol City		
Wed Aug 22	(A) 7.45pm	Wolves (WOL)		
Sat Aug 25	(H) 3.00pm	Oxford Ath		
Mon Aug 27	(A) 3.00pm	Bury		
Sat Sep 1	(H) 3.00pm	Coventry City		
Sat Sep 8	(A) 3.00pm	Bournemouth		
Wed Sep 12	Worthington Cup Second Round			
Sat Sep 15	(H) 3.00pm	Tranmere Rovers		
Tue Sep 18	(A) 7.45pm	Port Vale		
Sat Sep 22	(A) 3.00pm	Chesterfield		
Tue Sep 25	(H) 7.45pm	Brentford		
Sat Sep 29	(A) 3.00pm	Northampton Town		
Sat Oct 6	(H) 3.00pm	Wrexham		
Wed Oct 10	Worthington Cup Third Round			
Sat Oct 13	(A) 3.00pm	Reading		
Sun Oct 21	(H) 2.15pm	Cardiff City		
Tue Oct 23	(H) 7.45pm	Cambridge Utd		
Sat Oct 27	(A) 3.00pm	Wycombe Wanderers		
Sat Nov 3	(H) 3.00pm	Stoke City		
Sat Nov 10	(A) 3.00pm	Blackpool		
Sat Nov 17	FA Cup First Round			
Tue Nov 20	(A) 7.45pm	QPR		
Sat Nov 24	(H) 3.00pm	Brighton & Hove		
Wed Nov 28	Worthington Cup Fourth Round			
Sat Dec 1	(A) 3.00pm	Wigan Ath		
Sat Dec 8	FA Cup Second Round			
Wed Dec 12	Worthington Cup Fifth Round			
Sat Dec 15	(H) 3.00pm	Huddersfield Town		
Sat Dec 22	(A) 3.00pm	Notts County		
Wed Dec 26	(H) 1.00pm	Bournemouth		
Sat Dec 29	(H) 3.00pm	Bury		
Tue Jan 1	(A) 7.45pm	Colchester Utd		
Sat Jan 5	(A) 3.00pm	Oldham Ath		
FA Cup Third Round				
Wed Jan 9	Worthington Cup Semi-Final			
Sat Jan 12	(H) 3.00pm	Bristol City		
Sat Jan 19	(A) 3.00pm	Peterborough Utd		
Wed Jan 23	(H) 7.45pm	Notts County		
Worthington Cup Semi-Final				
Sat Jan 26	(A) 1.00pm	Wrexham		
FA Cup Fourth Round				
Sat Feb 2	(H) 3.00pm	Northampton Town		
Sat Feb 9	(A) 3.00pm	Cardiff City		
Sat Feb 16	(H) 3.00pm	Reading		
FA Cup Fifth Round				
Fri Feb 22	(A) 3.00pm	Tranmere Rovers		
Sun Feb 24	Worthington Cup Final			
Tue Feb 26	(H) 7.45pm	Chesterfield		
Sat Mar 2	(H) 3.00pm	Port Vale		
Tue Mar 5	(A) 7.45pm	Brentford		
Sat Mar 9	(A) 3.00pm	Huddersfield Town		
FA Cup Sixth Round				
Sat Mar 16	(H) 3.00pm	Wigan Ath		
Sat Mar 23	(A) 3.00pm	Cambridge Utd		
Sat Mar 30	(H) 3.00pm	Blackpool		
Mon Apr 1	(A) 3.00pm	Stoke City		
Sat Apr 6	(H) 3.00pm	QPR		
Sat Apr 13	(A) 3.00pm	Brighton & Hove		
Sun Apr 14	FA Cup Semi-Final			
Sat Apr 20	(H) 3.00pm	Wycombe Wanderers		
Sun May 4	FA Cup Final			



Fixtures and kick-off times are subject to alteration for television purposes and other league requirements.

TOP SCORERS

TOTAL	PLAYER'S NAME	GOAL RATIO
10	Danny Invcincible	26%
9	Gary Alexander	24%
7	Keith O'Halloran	19%
5	Michael Reddy	28%
4	Alan Reeves	8%
3	Ian Woan	14%
3	Martin Williams	13%

SPOTLIGHT

GIULIANO GRAZIOU

AGE	26
DATE OF BIRTH	23.03.75
PLACE OF BIRTH	Marylebone
HEIGHT	5' 11"
WEIGHT	12st
PREVIOUS CLUBS	Peterborough Utd
GOALS (LAST SEASON)	2

GATES / FORM

14,854	Coventry City	6.01.01
10,031	Bristol City	10.02.01
8,145	Peterborough Utd	28.04.01
8,097	Bristol Rovers	21.10.00
3-0 W	Dorchester	04.08.01
2-0 W	Supermarine	01.08.01
1-1 D	Derby	31.07.01
4-2 W	Woking	28.07.01

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SWINDON

Director of Football
Roy Evans

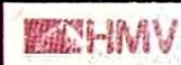
Bart Griemink	1
Mark Robinson	2
Sol Davis	3
Matthew Hewlett	4
Adam Willis	5
Andrew Gurney	6
Keith O'Halloran	7
Bobby Howe	8
Guiliano Grazioli	10
David Duke	11
Juan Cobian	12
Eric Sabin	14
Richard McKinney	15
Daniel Invincible	17
Matthew Heywood	19
Gareth Davies	21
Alan Reeves	22
Steve Robinson	25
Alan Young	26
Paul McAreavey	27
James Williams	29
Chris Collins	-
Craig Farr	-
Neil Rudduck	-



PETERBOROUGH

Manager
Barry Fry

Mark Tyler	1
Dean Hooper	2
Dennis Pearce	3
Marc Joseph	4
Simon Rea	5
Andy Edwards	6
David Farrell	7
David Oldfield	8
Andy Clarke	9
Jason Lee	10
Tom Williams	11
Matthew Gill	12
Dan Connor (GK)	13
Francis Green	14
Daniel Murray	15
Jimmy Bullard	16
Leon McKenzie	17
Ritchie Hanlon	18
Gareth Jelleyman	19
Tony Shields	20
Howard Forinton	21
Neale Fenn	22
Helgi Danielsson	23
Daniel French	24
Richard Forsyth	25
Gary MacDonald	26
Jon Cullen	27



Saturday 11th August 2001
kick-off 3.00pm

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Peter Walton
Assistant 1: Steven Dorr
Assistant 2: Lee Probert
4th Official: Ian Williamson

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TODAY'S FIXTURES

Sat Aug 11 2001/02

Blackpool	VS	Reading
Cambridge	VS	Brighton
Cardiff City	VS	Wycombe W
Chesterfield	VS	Colchester
Huddersfield	VS	Bournemouth
Northampton	VS	Bristol City
Port Vale	VS	Notts Co
QPR	VS	Stoke City
Swindon	VS	Peterborough
Tranmere	VS	Bury
Wigan	VS	Brentford
Wrexham	VS	Oldham Ath

Nationwide Division Two 2000/2001

Team	pld	hw	hd	hl	hf	ha	sw	sd	sl	af	as	gd	pts
Millwall	46	17	2	4	49	11	11	7	5	40	27	93	+51
Rotherham	46	16	4	3	50	26	11	6	6	29	29	91	+24
Reading	46	15	5	3	58	26	10	6	7	28	26	86	+34
Walsall	46	15	5	3	51	23	8	7	8	28	27	81	+29
Stoke City	46	12	6	5	39	21	9	6	6	35	28	77	+25
Wigan	46	12	9	2	29	18	7	9	7	24	24	75	+11
Bournemouth	46	11	6	6	37	23	9	7	7	42	32	73	+24
Notts Co	46	10	6	7	37	33	9	6	8	25	33	69	-4
Bristol City	46	11	6	6	47	29	7	8	8	23	27	68	+14
Wrexham	46	10	6	7	33	28	7	6	10	32	43	63	-6
Port Vale	46	9	8	6	35	22	7	6	10	20	27	62	+6
Peterborough	46	12	6	5	38	27	3	6	12	23	39	59	-5
Wycombe W	46	8	7	8	24	23	7	7	9	22	30	59	-7
Brentford	46	9	10	4	34	30	5	7	11	22	40	59	-14
Oldham Ath	46	11	5	7	35	26	4	8	11	18	39	58	-12
Bury	46	10	6	7	25	22	6	4	13	20	37	58	-14
Colchester	46	10	5	8	32	23	5	7	11	23	36	57	-4
Northampton	46	9	6	8	26	28	6	6	11	20	31	57	-13
Cambridge	46	8	6	9	32	31	6	5	12	29	46	53	-16
Swindon	46	6	8	9	30	35	7	5	11	17	30	52	-18
Bristol	46	6	10	7	28	26	6	5	12	25	31	51	-4
Luton	46	5	6	12	24	35	4	7	12	28	45	40	-28
Swansea	46	5	9	9	26	24	3	4	16	21	49	37	-26
Oxford	46	5	4	14	23	34	2	2	19	30	66	27	-47

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