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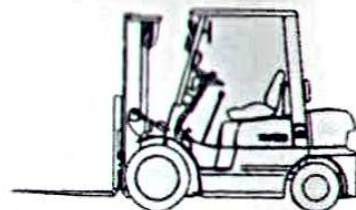


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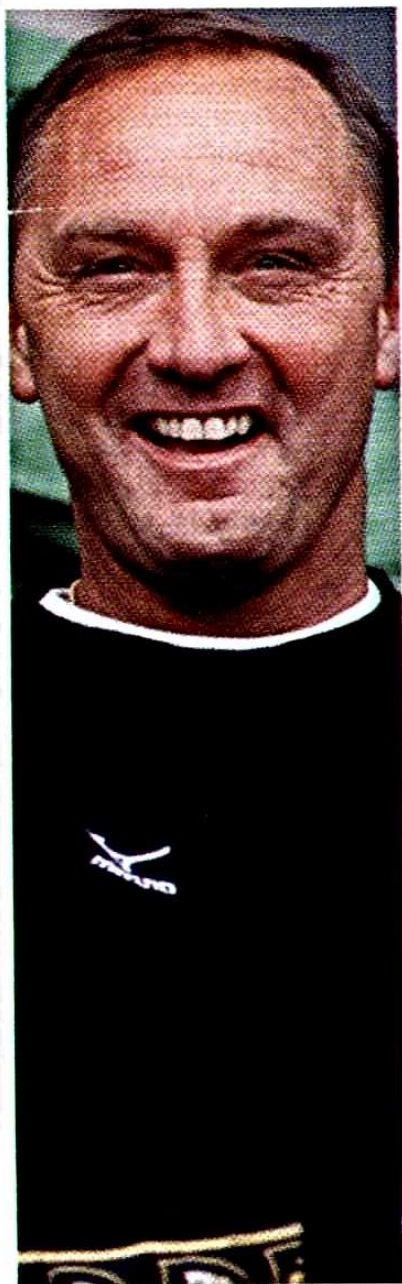
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the boss in black & white



At QPR we defended well and although it hadn't been a great game. At half time we said the game was there for the taking and we scored the first goal but we never really got a hold of the game after we scored.

We conceded a goal from a corner that we failed to clear. One of our defenders let his

man run for the second goal and you just can't let that happen at this level. The third goal was a total mish-mash, a bad ball from Brisco, a bad back pass from Hardy to Goodlad who should have just kicked it out but tried to flick it over him and pulled him back and got sent off and at 3-1 then it's game set and match.

It was down to a total lack of discipline. The game isn't just about playing but about hard work, staying with people. We need to start getting clean sheets and you have to work hard to keep them

At times we lack concentration for the full ninety minutes, players can sometimes be lazy thinking I'll let him run as he won't score. You have to stay with runners and think that any mistake could lead to a goal.

At the moment we're not working as a unit like we did last year, not just in going forward but I think Goodlad kept around ten clean sheets last year but now we're just been lazy. That's been the theme of our training on Monday morning. There's no place for laziness in professional football, you have to work hard to make goals and you have to work hard to stop goals and we've stopped doing it.

I want us to be more determined and more involved in the game, it's hard work but there are plenty of jobs out there that are a lot more hard work than playing football.

Goodlad's sending off will give Dean Delaney his chance and

it's up to him to grasp it with both hands.

Sagi's three-match suspension is now over and during his absence we've missed his strength at the back. He can be such a good player when he puts his mind to it but he's also been involved in incidents when we've given one or two goals away.

You're always going to have injuries and suspensions and we are missing key players. I have tried to get another player on loan yesterday morning but it wasn't successful so I'll have to keep trying, it isn't easy getting players that will improve your current squad.

Tonight I'd like to give a warm welcome Roy Evans and Neil Ruddock who are now in charge at Swindon Town. I've got a lot of respect for Roy and you can be sure that any of his teams always play the game the way it should be played. In Neil they have a player/coach who is a great competitor and carries with him a wealth of experience on the pitch.

I saw Swindon win at Wolves and I'm informed they played very well against Tranmere on Saturday. Swindon will be a strong team and they have some good players and Roy will want to make a success of it at Swindon.

Brian Horton



LUCKY SEVEN WINNING NUMBERS

This weeks winning numbers for Port Vale's LUCKY SEVEN weekly lottery are as follows:-

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LETTER FROM DUNLOP ABOUT CHARITY APPEAL

Dear Programme Editor,

In the Summer of 2000 your club kindly helped me with the donation of programmes. Together with contributions from other clubs, I have managed to put together a full set of 2034 programmes, which cover all the games played in the Premiership and Football League for season 1999/2000. This unique collection is about to be sold at Christies in London on September 27th as lot number 292 in their Annual Football Memorabilia Auction. All proceeds are to be donated to the 2001 CHILDREN IN NEED APPEAL. A reserve price of £2,500.00 has been placed on the lot and it is obviously hoped that a figure well in excess of that will be reached, given the good cause for which the money is destined. Thank you once again for your club's ongoing support of this project.

Yours faithfully,
Tony Rampton
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FIXTURE UPDATES

The Football League Youth Alliance games against Lincoln City on Saturday 29th September 2001 was scheduled to be played at Shamblers.

This fixture will now take place on the Port Vale training pitches. Kick-off is 11am.

The Avon Insurance Premier League game between Rotherham United and Port Vale - scheduled to be played on Tuesday 16th October) will now be played on Monday 15th October at the Millmoor Ground. Kick-off is 2pm.

The Midland Youth Cup game between Port Vale and Kidderminster Harries will be played at Vale Park on Monday 8th October with a 7pm kick-off.

MANAGER OF THE MONTH AWARDS

Lennie Lawrence, Danny Wilson and Steve Parkin have scooped the first managerial honours of the new season by claiming Nationwide Manager of the Month for August.

Grimsby boss Lawrence has guided his team to the best Mariners start in many years and to the top of the Division

One table for the first time in 20 years.

Bristol City manager Wilson beat off stiff competition from other on-form sides in Division two to clinch the second division title while Parkin took Rochdale to the top of the third division table.

Holy-Day fixture Swap

The clash between Manchester City and Walsall has been re-arranged for a rather unusual reason.

The date the match was due to be played on clashed with the Jewish festival of Yom Kippur. City asked the Football League if the game could be moved after speaking to many supporters from within the Jewish community.

Walsall agreed to the swap and the match has been brought forward by 24 hours from September 26th to 25th.

Sandra Whiteside of the Football League said: "This is a unique case in my experience. "Clubs often highlight dates such as this when they complete our fixture questionnaire when we are putting the programme together and we try to accommodate it.

"But this is the first time I have known a game to be moved within the season for such reasons."

LEAGUE OF FIVE GETS CASH BOOST

The Football League has continued its support of The League of Five charity appeal by raising more than £25,000. The League of Five was established before the start of last season to raise money for five leading charities - The British Heart Foundation, Imperial Cancer Research

Fund, NSPCC, Sporting Chance and The Variety Club of Great Britain.

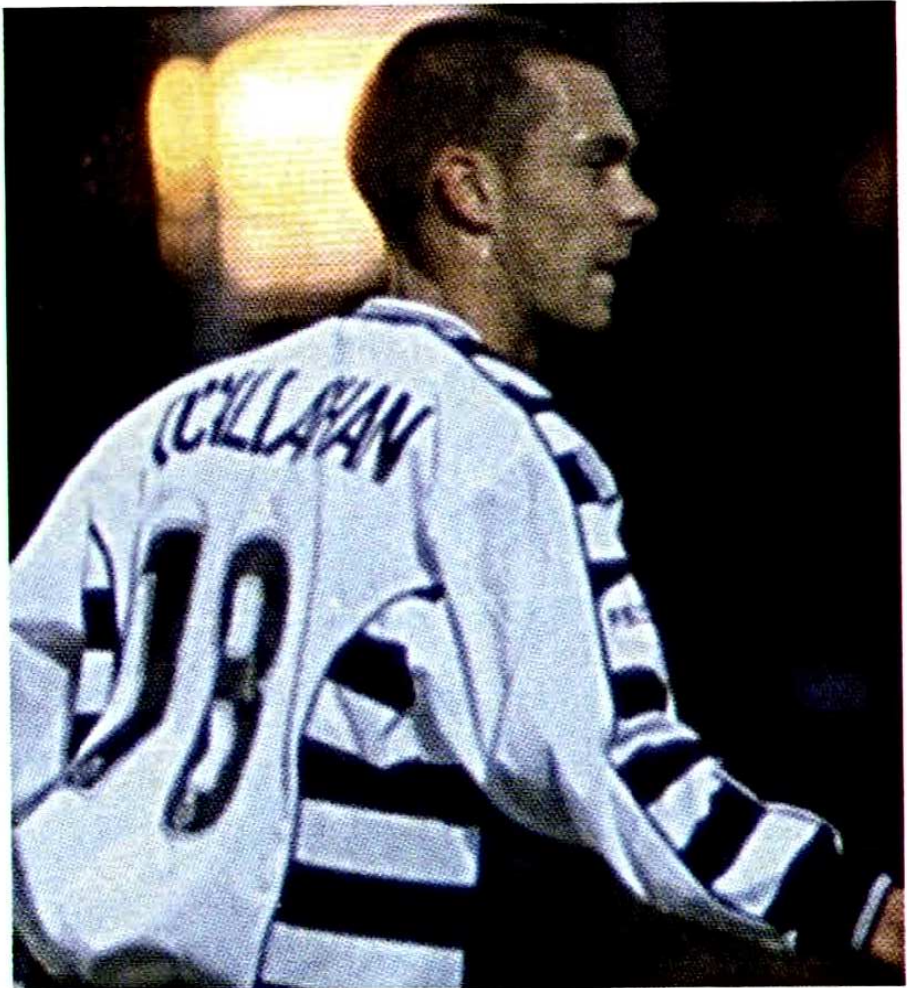
The charities received the first instalment of £3,000 each last week.

The £25,000 was raised mainly through turnstile collections and the auction of tickets and executive boxes for the Football League's five major events at the Millennium Stadium, Cardiff – The Worthington Cup Final, LDV Vans Trophy and the three divisional play-off finals.

Donations by individual clubs included a cheque for £7,620 from Burnley who waived their share of last year's FA Charity Shield money to help the appeal.

TEAM OF THE WEEK

New arrival Simon Osborn made it into last week's Nationwide Division Two Team of the Week along with George O'Callaghan. While former Vale player Jeff Minton featured in the Division Three Team of the Week



George O'Callaghan - Made it into Division two team of the week

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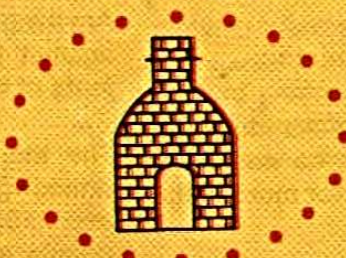
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Here's what's been happening on the official Vale website this week.

Vale sink to QPR

Port Vale took the lead in the 54th minute when Steve Brooker fired the Valliant's in front when he latched on to Simon Osborn's defence splitting pass but from then on it was all downhill as Vale sat back and tried to defend the narrow lead.

Nine minutes later and Rangers had drawn level following a goalmouth scramble and it was Palmer who equalised from close range.

In the 71st minute Forbe's unchallenged run over half the length of the pitch ended with a ball to Thompson on the edge of the area who fired past Goodlad and put the Hoops in front. A minute later and Goodlad received his marching orders after a Hardy back pass put the Vale 'keeper under pressure and he pulled down the advancing Rangers striker giving referee Paul Danson no alternative but to show him the red card.

A quick substitution saw Delany replace Hardy and the new keepers first job was to pick the ball out of the net as Thompson slotted home his second goal of the day, this time via the penalty spot.

And to add insult to injury Thompson collected his hat-trick in extra time giving Rangers a healthy looking 4-1 score line which flattered them.

Charlton's Good Fortune Ensures Vale's Cup Exit

A hotly contested goal by Addicks defender Johnathan Fortune gave Charlton the lead on 36 minutes despite being outplayed for most of the first half by a battling Vale side.

The goal looked to have been clearly off-side and the Vale manager Brian Horton said afterwards "Decisions change games," All our

lads thought it was offside I suppose all the Charlton players would say it wasn't.

"The linesman said to telephone him in the morning if he was wrong - but what difference will that make?"

Konchesky sealed the victory with a 20-yard free-kick in the 62nd minute via a cruel deflection off the Vale wall.

JUNIORS ASKED TO GET THEIR KIT ON

With the new season well underway at Vale Park, junior Valiant fans are being encouraged to get their kit on by Footee.net so they can take part in Strip 4 Shelter, sponsored by Nationwide Building Society, England Team sponsors.

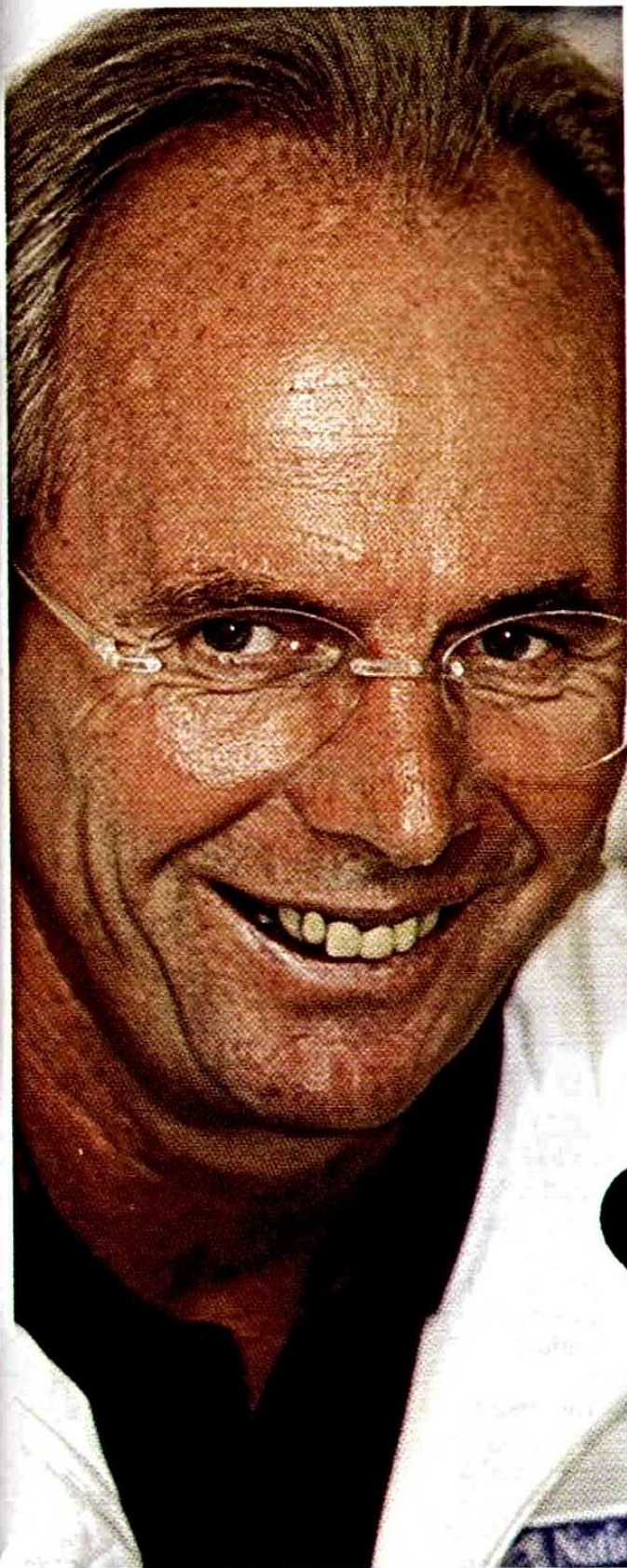
Top free kids' website www.Footee.net has teamed up with the football-orientated charity event Strip 4 Shelter to encourage kids to help Strip 4 Shelter score their £500,000 goal in 2001.

On top of the usual quality fare of online educational football games, movies, the unique Footee managerial game, players in this week's magnificent Goal of the Week (found in My Team/Match Report section) can be seen in the Strip 4 Shelter kit. There are links to Strip 4 Shelter's website in the parent/teacher section and forthcoming plans for a design-a-strip game in the much lauded Design Studio.

In addition, pupils can participate in Strip 4 Shelter by donating £1 to wear their favourite football shirt or colours in class. But it doesn't stop there; school children are also getting involved in other fun football activities too. Anything from sponsored penalty shoot-outs against the head teacher, to record breaking feats of football trickery and football quizzes.

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Sven Goran Eriksson

If you are, or know, a 7 to 11-year-old kid, it's time to sign up at www.footee.net and check out Strip 4 Shelter. Register now for free and get your starting squad complementary 200 ball points and a whole world of Footee fun.

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Starting with last weekend's game we'll have match reports posted to the site written by a different Youth team player each week. This week you can read Andy Taylor's report of the Youth Alliance Cup match against Chester City.

Port Vale 1, Chester City 1 - Under 19's

Vale's Youth team went into this cup game with high hopes after beating Chester a few weeks earlier 4-0 with ease, but this time Chester proved more difficult to beat.

Vale started the game very brightly with Chris Rowley and Chris Birchall forcing good saves from Chester's goalkeeper. The first half was all Vale and within this half we produced some of our best football of the season. Chester only had one attack of note with their forward forcing Chris Gowan to produce a fine save.

The teams somehow went into half-time level, the second half carried on much the same as the first with Vale bossing the game but we were unable to break the deadlock. Chester in fact took a shock lead with one of their few attacks, it came about with a lot of good fortune with their right winger finding some space and producing a cross to the back post but the unlucky Gowan could only watch the ball go over his head and in off the far post.

Vale then showed some character and levelled straight from the kick-off with a neat finish from the hard working Eldershaw who has been performing well recently, after this Vale continued to press but were unable to find the winning goal.

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Tranmere Rovers Chairperson, Lorraine Rogers, has set a very dangerous precedent last week which will have caused a cold shiver to run down the spine of many a chairman should it become the accepted norm. Ten days ago Rovers travelled to Brentford where they were well and truly stuffed 4-0. Supporters had expressed concern over the team's performance and had criticised the apparent lack of commitment. The club, in the shape of Miss Rogers, issued the following statement in a press release on the Monday after the game:

"We have tremendous supporters who follow us away from home and Saturday was no exception. We value their support and want this to continue, so as a gesture from the club, we are prepared to refund their coach fares."

There were two official coach loads of fans from the club who travelled to Griffin Park - apparently about 80 fans in total. So this gesture is going to cost the club close on £1,500. A supporters' spokesman said he didn't really want the money, he just wanted to see the team winning.

I would agree wholeheartedly with that sentiment. A lot of people reading this have probably returned from an away

game at some point in the past, however, thinking that they had put more effort into getting there than the team had on the pitch. Financial compensation might just have eased the blow slightly. Similarly, it might well encourage fans to use the official coaches for travel in order to benefit from such a scheme. They could even have a vote on the coach as to whether or not the trip had been worth the money. I fear Tranmere have opened a real can of worms here - the ramifications are enormous. Get your wallet ready Mr Chairman!

Some discussion has taken place last week on the subject of selling stadium names to sponsors. Certain financial pundits reckon many clubs are missing out on an excellent money making opportunity by failing to take advantage of such sponsorship. We already have the Britannia Stadium locally. Similarly, the new home of Bolton Wanderers is named after a well known sports clothing manufacturer. Middlesbrough now play at the Cellnet Riverside Stadium. These, of course, are all new grounds but there is nothing to stop clubs renaming their existing stadia.

Several club representatives were asked whether they would consider selling the names of their traditional homes to the highest bidder. Not surprisingly, a number

were quite happy to take this idea on board as long as the name of the stadium was acceptable. Getting your local butcher to sponsor the ground for fifty quid and renaming it Easy Meat Park was not seen as being conducive to establishing an impregnable home record on the pitch!

So would you be prepared to rename Vale Park and where would you draw the line? Something local, yet nationally, indeed internationally known would be nice. How about the Royal Doulton Stadium or The Wedgwood Ground? I would be quite happy to swap Vale Park for something like that. I might, however, draw the line at High Lane Oatcakes Park!!



Lorraine Rogers - Tranmere Rovers Chairwoman setting a dangerous precedent

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swindon town

This evening we give a warm Potteries welcome to Swindon Town, who earlier this season caused a mini shock by beating Wolverhampton Wanderers in the Worthington Cup at Molineux - and then they took West Bromwich Albion to extra-time in the next round before losing 2-0.

These performances indicate that the Robins will be no easy pickings tonight. They are a competent bunch and will give 110 per-cent out on the park against the Vale, hoping to avenge last season's 3-0 defeat at Vale Park.

Last Season

Swindon Town, managed by Andy King, battled hard and long throughout last season and eventually scrambled to safety, finishing one place above the drops-zone with 52 points. In fact, they finally pulled clear with one game to play at the end the season, beating Peterborough United 2-1 at home.

On their travels in 2000-01 the Robins won more games that they did at home (7 against 6). They also drew five times and collected 26 points, exactly half of their overall tally. Defensively they were solid enough, conceding 30 goals in 23 away games - but they were poor scorers themselves, mustering only 17.

This disappointing strike record certainly lead to them struggling and indeed in late February they were actually anchored at the foot of the Division, struggling both at



Alan Reeves

home and away to string together a decent run.

But as the season progressed, results began to pick up and in the end Swindon just did enough to retain their Second Division status. But it was close, mighty close!

This Season

So far this season The Robins have played seven League games, the results of which have been: (home) Colchester United won 1-0, Oldham Athletic lost 2-0, Peterborough United drew 0-0 and a 2-2 draw against Tranmere Rovers (Away) AFC Bournemouth drew 0-0, Bristol City lost 3-1 and Bury won 3-0.

That victory at Gigg Lane was very impressive and manager Roy Evans (who learnt his trade with Liverpool) said.. 'it was encouraging and shows what can be done.'

The Squad

The basis of the squad currently at The County Ground under Evans' strict control is as follows: goalkeeper **Bart Griemink** (ex-Birmingham City and Peterborough United); **Matt Heywood**, the vastly experienced figure of **Neil 'Razor' Ruddock**, **David Duke**, aggressive and combative midfielder **Bobby Howe**, defenders **Alan Reeves** (sent-off already this season at Ashton Gate) and penalty-expert **Keith O'Halloran**, **Matt Hewlett**, Cheltenham-born **Sol Davis**, **Joe Osei-Kuffour**, **Steve Robinson**, the versatile **Danny Invincible**, Frenchman **Eric Sabin** (who is struggling at the minute with a knee injury), **Gareth Davies** (a former Welsh Under-21 international), **Berti Brayley** (on loan from West Ham United), **Andy Gurney** (fit after injury problems) and striker **Gulliano Grazioli**.

the robins

the visitors



Andy Gurney

STAR PLAYERS BART GRIEMONK

Goalkeeper Bart Griemink - born in Holland in March 1972 - played for WK Emmen in the Netherlands before joining Birmingham City in 1995. From St Andrew's he switched to Peterborough United for £25,000 in 1996 and after a loan spell with Swindon Town, he moved permanently to The County ground in July of last year on a free transfer.

Standing 6ft 4in tall and weighing well over 15 stones, Greimink is exceptionally agile, a safe handler and fine shot-stopper. He has now appeared in more than 130 senior games in English football.

NEIL RUDDOCK

Defender Neil 'Razor' Ruddock had two spells with Spurs (April 1986-June 1988 and July 1992-July 1993). He made a total of 59 first-class appearances for the club, scoring four goals. Born in Wandsworth on 9 May 1968, he

started out as a professional with Millwall, joined Spurs, first time round, for £50,000 and returned to The Den for £300,000 (good business). In February 1989 Ruddock, tough and rugged, switched his allegiance to Southampton, bought for £250,000 and it cost Spurs £750,000 to get him back! His next move took him to Liverpool for £2.5 million in July 1997 and after that he served with three London clubs, QPR, West Ham United (signed for £100,000) and Crystal Palace before joining Swindon Town last summer. When the 2000-01 season ended Ruddock, capped by England at full, 'B', Under-21 and Youth team levels and a League Cup winner with Liverpool in 1995, had accumulated in excess of 450 club and international appearances.



Neil Ruddock

GULIANO GRAZIOLI

Despite his Italian name, striker Guliano Graziloi was born near the Lords cricket ground in London. The 26 year-old starred for Wembley before signing as a full-time professional with Peterborough United in 1995. He scored 17 goals in almost 50 senior outings for Posh before transferring to Swindon Town in July 1999 on a 'free.' Over the last two seasons with the Robins Grazioli has suffered with a few injury problems (a torn stomach muscle the worst). But when fit and in form, he can be sharp and incisive with an eye for goal, and has so far netted over a dozen goals in competitive matches for his current club.

* In September 1998, playing for Peterborough against Barnet in the Third Division, Graziloi scored five goals - a club record.



Keith O'Halloran

DID YOU KNOW?

Dennis Emery netted 22 goals in the FA Cup for Peterborough between 1955 to 1962 - including seven in successive matches.

When Posh beat Derby County 1-0 at home on the first day of the 1992-93 season, it was the 19th consecutive time they had started their League programme without losing..

LAST TIME HERE

Swindon's last League visit to Vale Park ended in a 3-0 defeat in September 2000. Tony Naylor netted twice for the Valiants in front of 3,926 hardy and loyal supporters.



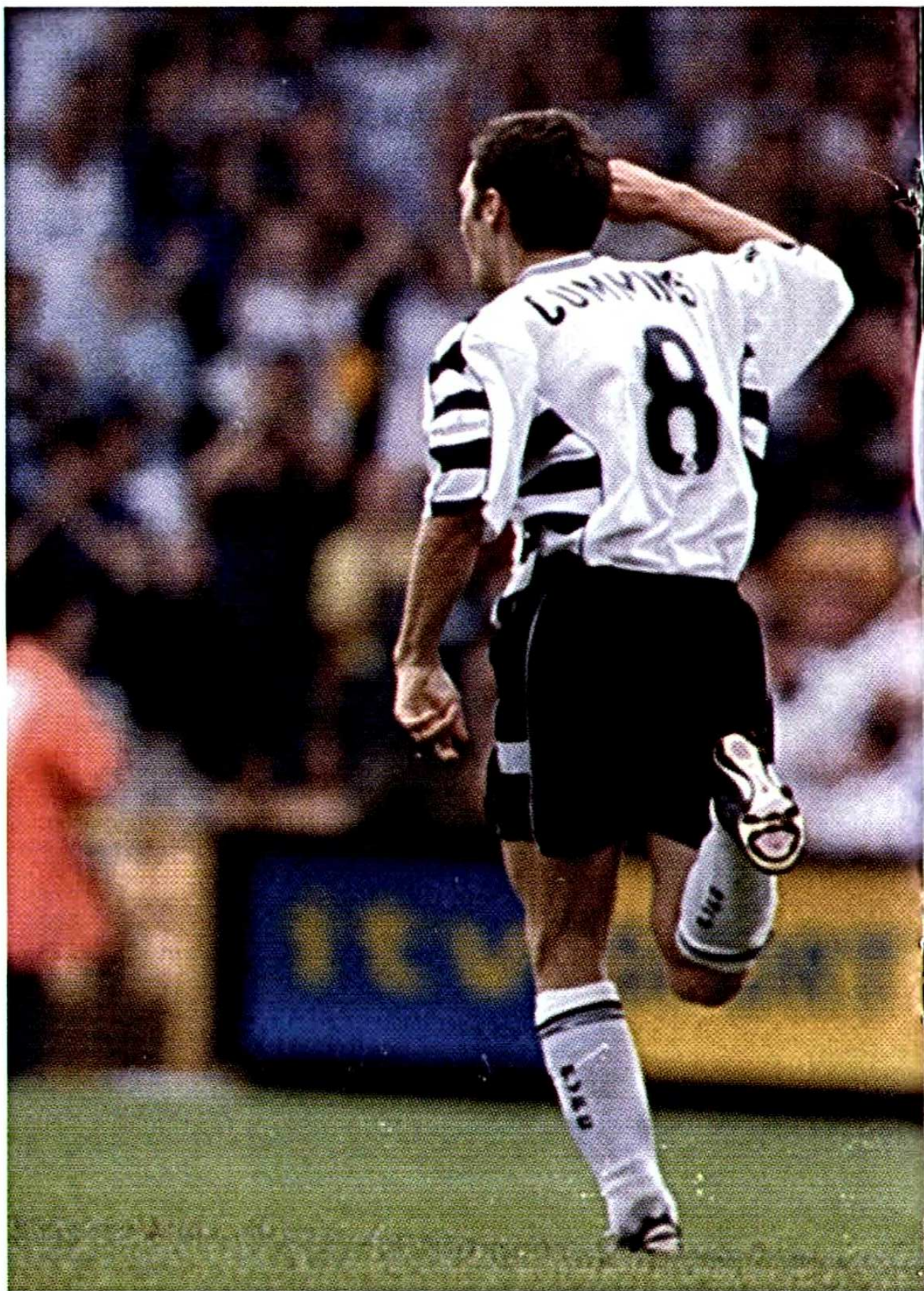
Danny Inverdale

in charge - Roy Evans



manager Roy Evans took over the reins at The County Ground from former Everton, West Bromwich Albion and Luton Town midfielder Andy King at the start of this season ...having hinted that he would return to football sooner rather than later following his departure from Liverpool in 1998 (after Gerard Houllier had been confirmed as the Anfield number one).

As a player Evans from Crosby - who is fast-approaching his 53rd birthday - represented England at schoolboy level and then made six League appearances for Liverpool before injury forced him into an early retirement in 1973. Thereafter he joined the coaching staff at Anfield and served under some terrific managers before taking over as boss himself (from Graeme Souness) in 1994. He had limited success with the Merseysiders (Football League Cup victory in 1995 being the highlight) but now he's back in the game and eager to do well at Swindon, hopefully seeing them gain promotion back to the First Division.

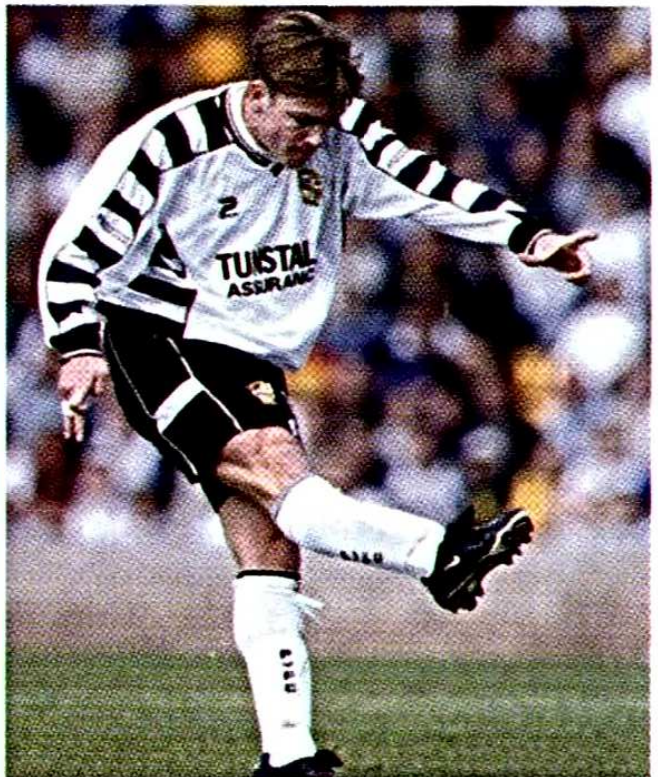


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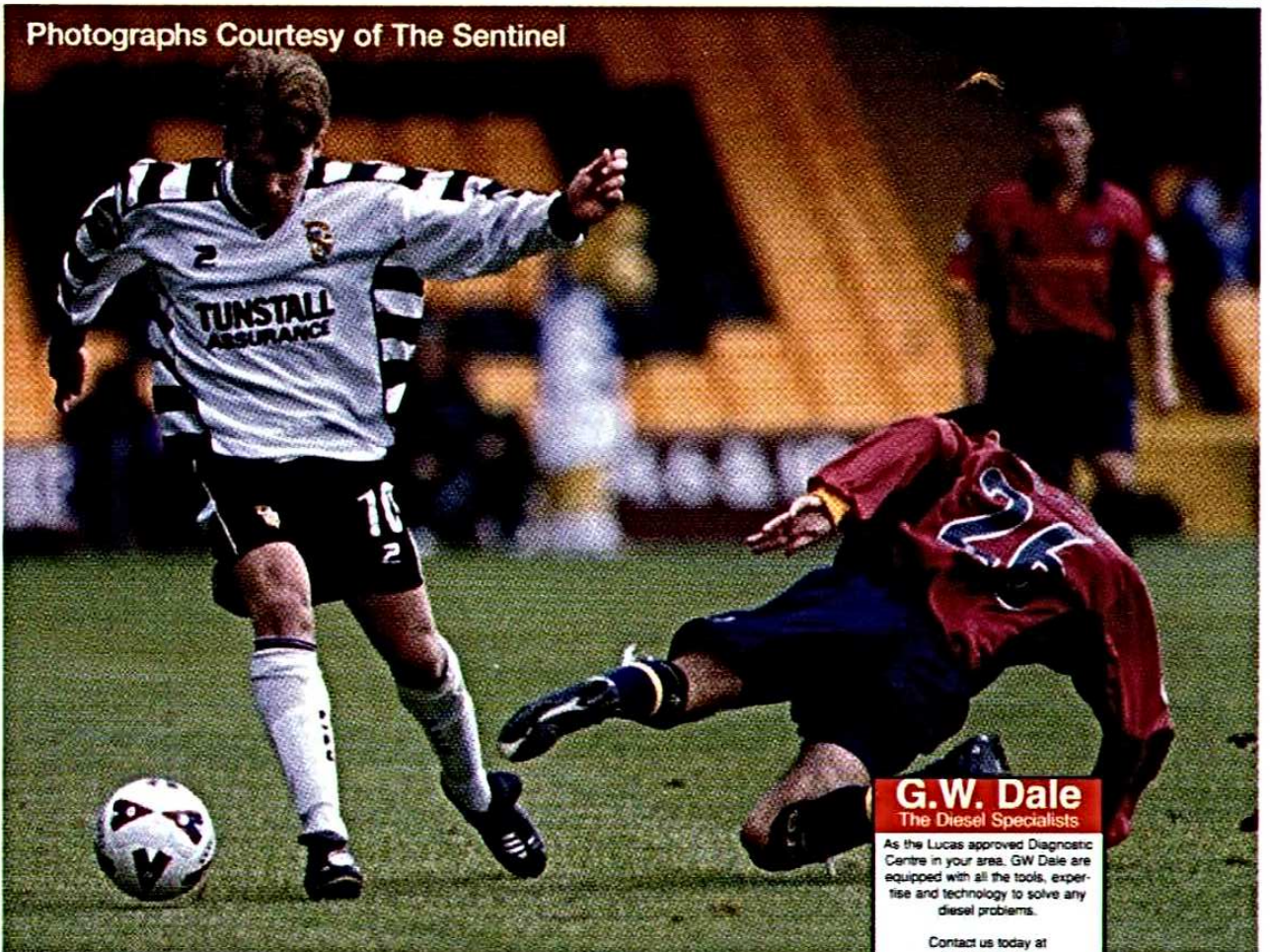
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Port Vale 0 v Reading 2



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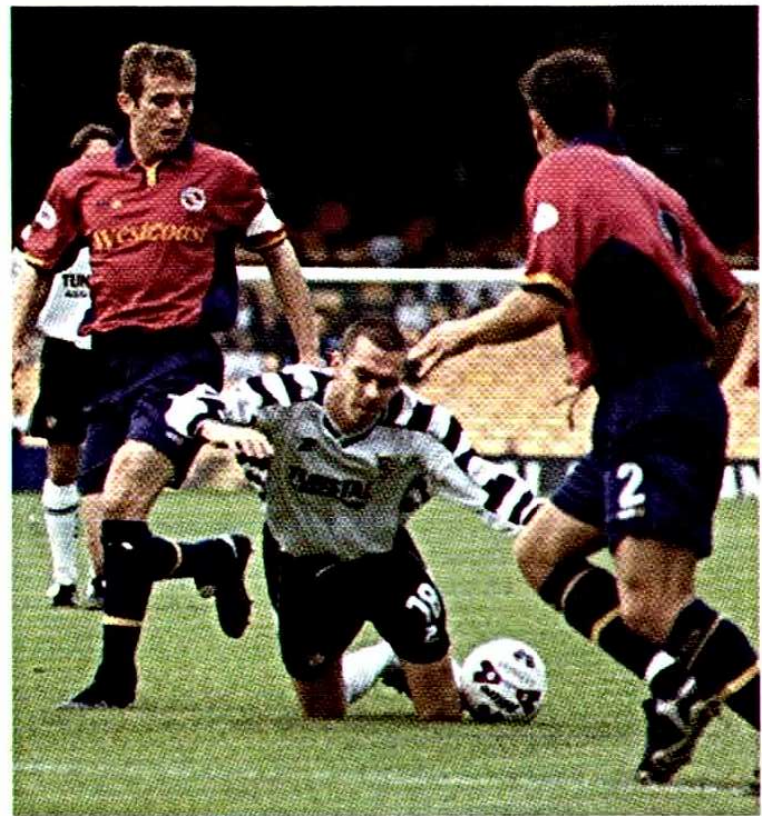
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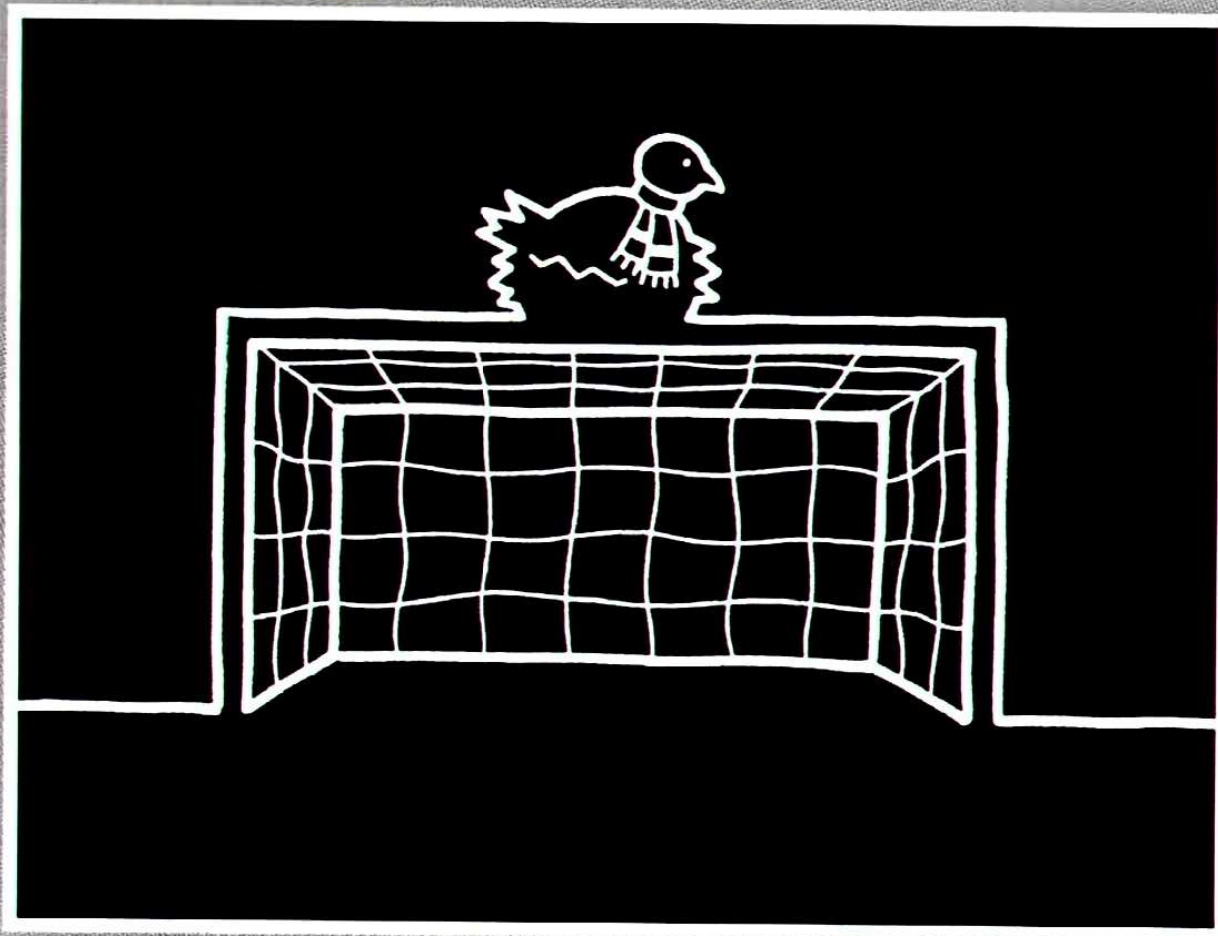
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Where



2 Goals



7 Goals



1 Goal

How

Shots 5
Headers 2
Volleys 3
Penalties 0
Free Kicks 0
O.G.s 0

Scorers

O'Callaghan 3
McPhee 2
Brooker 2
Cannara 1
Dodd 1
Hardy 1

2001-2002

Highest Gate 6,076
vs Notts County
Lowest Gate 4,925
vs Peterborough
Average Gate 5,399
Players Used 20
Clean Sheets 0
Failed to Score 3
Consec. Wins none
Consec. Defeats 2 games

Valiants' Last 7

Res	Opp	Ven	Opp Pos
L	QPR	A	12th
S	Bristol City	A	2nd
L	Reading	H	4th
L	Colchester	A	2nd
W	Peterborough	H	16th
L	Brentford	A	11th
W	Notts County	H	-

League stats so far...

Seasonal Progress Comparison



Robins' Last 7

Res	Opp	Ven	Opp Pos
S	Tranmere	H	16th
D	Bournemouth	A	20th
W	Colchester	H	1st
W	Bury	A	15th
L	Oldham	H	15th
L	Bristol City	A	2nd
D	Peterborough	H	-

Goals Info:



Where



1 Goal



4 Goals



2 Goals

How

Shots 4
Headers 0
Volleys 0
Penalties 2
Free Kicks 1
O.G.s 0

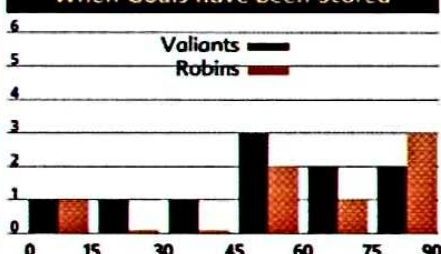
Scorers

O'Halloran 2
Gurney 1
Duke 1
Grazioli 1
Osai-Kuffour 1
Ruddock 1

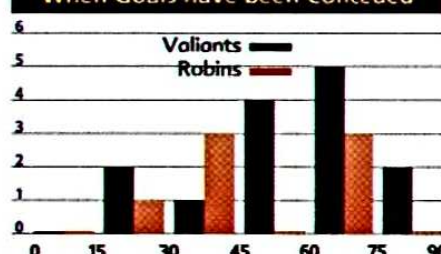
2001-2002

Highest Gate 7,934
vs Peterborough
Lowest Gate 4,889
vs Colchester
Average Gate 5,991
Players Used 18
Clean Sheets 4
Failed to Score 3
Consec. Wins 2 games
Consec. Defeats 2 games

When Goals have been Scored



When Goals have been Conceded



George O'Callaghan (Port Vale) Top Scorers Comparison Keith O'Halloran (Swindon)

O'Callaghan 18

2 games Total Games Scored In 2 games
1 game Games Scored 1 Goal 2 games
1 game Games Scored 2 Goals 0 games
0 games Hat-tricks 0 games

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

1 game Maximum scoring run 1 game
4 games Maximum Dry Spell 2 games

Goals 3
Games 7
Average 2.33

Port Vale Goals 10
Port Vale Games 7
Port Vale's Goal Ave 1.43

O'Halloran 7

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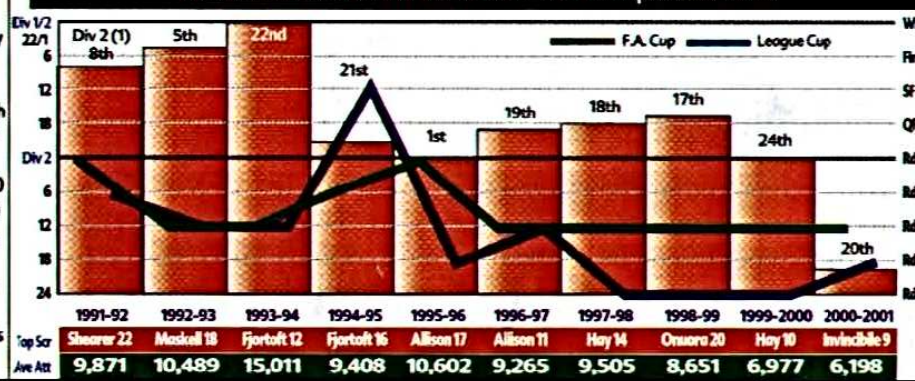
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Average 3.00

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- In December 1955 Derby County were sensationally beaten 6-1 at their Baseball Ground by non-League side Boston United in the 2nd round of the FA Cup. Boston had six former Derby players in their line-up including right-winger Reg Harrison who nine years earlier had won an FA Cup winners medal with the Rams at Wembley. Another ex-County player, Geoff Hazeldene, scored a hat-trick.

- On 29 August 1965 the referee for the Brazilian Cup game between Atletico Mineiro and Flamengo in Goiana, abandoned the match after only 35 minutes with the score sheet blank. He had already sent-off four Atletico players and this resulted in their goalkeeper, Almunzo, lying down in his penalty area and refusing to take a goal-kick. The game was awarded to Flamengo who went on to lose in the Final.

- Raith Rovers were ordered by the Scottish FA to replay their Scottish Cup first round tie against the 5th King's Rifle Volunteers in season 1894-95 because they failed to provide goal nets! Having won the match 6-5, Rovers were then beaten 4-3 in the 'replay.'

- After the full ninety minutes had been played of the Chelsea v. Preston North End 4th round FA Cup replay at Stamford Bridge, the visitors were leading 2-1 - but the referee chose to add on a minute of extra-time during which Chelsea scored twice to win the game 3-2.

- When Crystal Palace won an FA Cup-tie at Goodison Park against Everton by a sensational 6-0 scoreline in 1921-22, the Eagles' goalkeeper Jack Alderson spent most the game eating oranges. A contemporary report said: 'Everton were outplayed in every position except outside-left and that exception was due to the painful fact that Harrison never saw the ball.'

- Leicester City used three different goalkeepers during their 5th round FA Cup-tie against Shrewsbury Town at Filbert Street in March 1982. Regular 'keeper Mark Wallington - appearing in his 333rd consecutive match for the Foxes - went off injured with his side 2-0 down. He was replaced by striker Alan Young who later handed over the gloves to the smallest player on the pitch, Steve Lynex. Leicester bounced back to win the contest 5-2.



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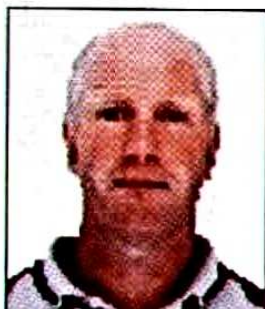
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Junior valliant of the month



This section is reserved for a special junior member each month, this month we are featuring Matthew Tindall. Matthew currently

attends St Marys Primary School in Astbury. His hobbies include swimming and football and his favourite Port Vale player is Stephen Brooker. His first game attended was against Newcastle Town. He would dearly like to see Michael Owen here at Vale Park, so would a lot of people Matthew.

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Vale played at the Sixfields Stadium in April, just a few days after the great triumph at

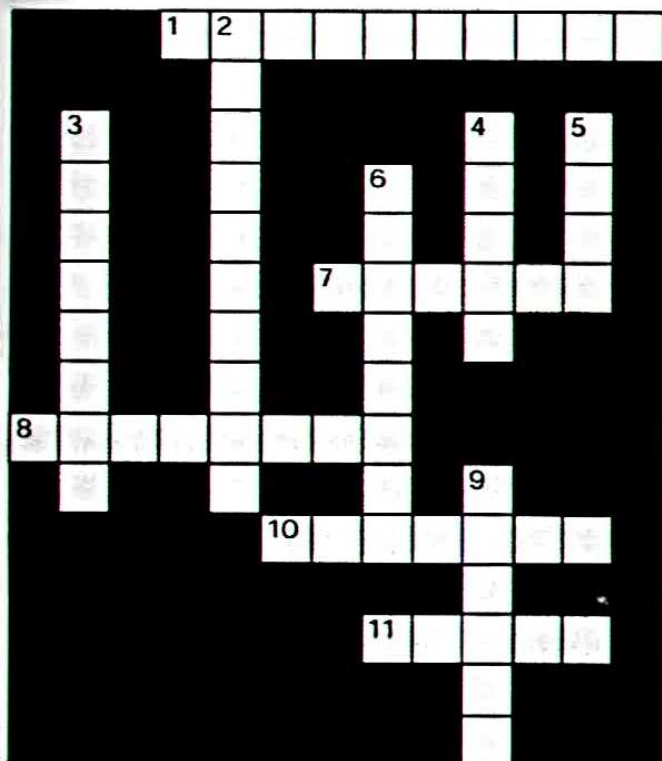
the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff in the LDV Vans Trophy Final. Vale showed no reaction to that victory and produced a terrific performance in winning 2-0 with early goals from Naylor and Brooker.

Manager Kevin Wilson has been at the helm since November 1999. His first season ended in promotion from Division Three but last season's second-half slump left them in 18th place. He is already facing criticism for the way the season has started. Since the end of last season he has brought in experienced Daryl Burgess from West Brom, Paul McGregor from Plymouth, Gerard Lavin from

Bristol City, Derek Asamoah from Slough and Chris Marsh from Wycombe for £10,000. So far they have not worked as well together as fans would hope.

To date, and at the time of writing, Town have beaten Brighton but lost to Bristol City, Notts County, Colchester, Oldham and Stoke City.

Visiting Northampton's County Ground used to be less than a joy as they shared the ground with the County cricket team. Nowadays, however, they play at the new and well-appointed Sixfields Stadium.



Visitors Crossword

Across

1. Keeper who left in the summer
7. Signed from Reading
8. Played lots of games
10. Very young debutant
11. Managed both clubs

Down

2. Top scorer last season
3. Lost to these in last seasons FA Cup
4. Part of management team
5. Won 3-0 there this season
6. Sudden death defeat there last season
9. Nickname


Across: 1. Mildenhall, 7. Gurney, 8. Troilope, 10. Rideout, 11. Smith
Down: 2. Invinible, 3. Coventry, 4. Evans, 5. Bury, 6. Southend, 9. Robins

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Tonight we welcome Swindon Town who have former Liverpool and England Defender Neil Ruddock as a coach. He reckons that the best coach he has worked with is Terry Venables. The former Liverpool and England coach impressed Ruddock with his management skills which he felt was outstanding, and he is hoping having worked with some of the games top managers in his playing career with Southampton, Tottenham, Liverpool and West Ham it will help him succeed as a manager.

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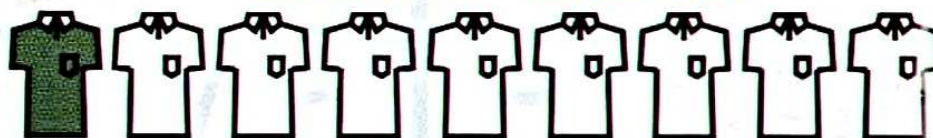
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August 2001

Sat 11	Notts County	H	6,076	4-2	Goodlad	Carragher	Walsh	Burton	Brisco	Cummins	Brooker	McPhee	Ingram
Sat 18	Brentford	A	4,561	0-2	Goodlad	Carragher	Walsh	Burton	Brisco	Cummins	Brooker	McPhee	Ingram
Tue 21	Chesterfield	H	2,723	2-1	Goodlad	Carragher	Hardy	Walsh	Burton	Brisco	Cummins	Brooker	McPhee
Sat 25	Peterborough Utd.	H	4,925	4-1	Goodlad	Walsh	Carragher	Ingram	Cummins	Brisco	Hardy	Burton	O'Callaghan
Mon 27	Colchester Utd.	A		0-2	Goodlad	Cummins	Walsh	Carragher	Ingram	Hardy	Brisco	Burton	O'Callaghan

September 2001

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October 2001

Sat 06	Cambridge United	H
Tue 9	WC3	
Sat 13	Chesterfield	A
Sat 20	Stoke City	H
Tue 23	Cardiff City	H
Sat 27	Wigan Athletic	A

November 2001

Sat 03	Bury	H
Sat 10	Brighton & Hove Albion	A
Sat 17	FA Cup1	
Tue 20	AFC Bournemouth	A
Sat 24	Huddersfield Town	H
Tue 27	WC4	

December 2001

Sat 01	Blackpool	H
Sat 08	FA Cup2	
Tue 11	WC5	
Sat 15	Tranmere Rovers	A
Sat 22	Oldham Athletic	A
Wed 26	Bristol City	H
Sat 29	Colchester United	H

January 2002

Wed 01	Reading	A
Sat 05	Peterborough Utd.	A
Wed 09	WC Semi final	
Sat 12	Brentford	H
Sat 19	Notts. County	H
Tue 22	Oldham Athletic	A
Sat 26	Cambridge United	A

February 2002

Sat 02	Wycombe Wanderers	H
Sat 09	Stoke City	A
Sat 16	Chesterfield	H
Sat 23	Q.P.R.	H
Sun 24	WC Final	
Tue 26	Northampton Town	A

March 2002

Sat 02	Swindon Town	A
Tue 05	Wrexham	H
Sat 09	Tranmere Rovers	H
Sat 16	Blackpool	A
Sat 23	Bury	A
Sat 30	Wigan Athletic	H

April 2002

Mon 01	Cardiff City	A
Sat 06	AFC Bournemouth	H
Sat 13	Huddersfield Town	A
Sun 14	FA Cup Semi Final	
Sat 20	Brighton & Hove Albion	H

May 2002

Sat 04 FA Cup Final

Nationwide League Division Two league Table



Armstrong	O'Callaghan	Dodd	Delaney	Gibson	Burns	Paynter
Dodd	O'Callaghan	Paynter	Hardy	Delaney	Gibson	Burns
Ingram	O'Callaghan	Delaney	Dodd	Gibson	Burns	Paynter
Brooker	McPhee	S. Wilkinson	Dodd	Delaney	Burns	Armstrong
Brooker	McPhee	Armstrong	Dodd	Delaney	Burns	Gibson

O'Callaghan	Burns	Delaney	Donnelly	Dodd	Torpey	Paynter
O'Callaghan	Burns	Delaney	Dodd	Donnelly	Paynter	Birchall
O'Callaghan	Burns	Delaney	Dodd	Gibson	Simpson	Paynter

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	G.D.	Pts
Oldham	7	3	1	0	9	4	1	2	0	7	5	7	15
Bristol City	6	2	1	0	7	3	2	1	0	5	1	8	14
Brentford	6	3	0	0	8	1	1	2	0	2	1	8	14
Brighton	7	3	0	0	8	2	1	2	1	2	3	5	14
Colchester	7	3	0	0	7	2	1	1	2	8	8	5	13
Huddersfield	7	3	0	1	7	5	1	1	1	3	3	2	13
Wycombe	7	3	1	0	7	2	0	1	2	3	5	3	11
QPR	7	2	2	0	5	1	1	0	2	3	4	3	11
Stoke	6	2	1	1	6	3	1	0	1	2	1	4	10
Reading	6	1	0	1	2	2	2	1	1	4	2	2	10
Notts County	6	1	3	0	5	4	1	0	1	4	4	1	9
Swindon	7	1	2	1	3	4	1	1	1	4	3	0	9
Cardiff	5	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	1	4	4	1	8
Peterborough	7	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	2	2	6	-4	8
Port Vale	7	2	0	1	8	5	0	1	3	2	9	-4	7
Blackpool	6	0	1	1	2	4	2	0	2	6	8	-4	7
Bournemouth	6	1	1	1	3	3	0	2	1	4	5	-1	6
Wrexham	6	1	2	1	6	6	0	1	1	4	7	-3	6
Chesterfield	7	0	0	3	3	8	1	3	0	4	2	-3	6
Tranmere	7	0	2	1	3	4	1	1	2	5	9	-5	6
Cambridge	7	1	2	1	4	5	0	0	3	2	5	-4	5
Wigan	5	0	1	1	2	3	1	0	2	3	3	-1	4
Bury	7	0	0	3	1	7	1	0	3	4	7	-9	3
Northampton	7	1	0	3	2	7	0	0	3	3	9	-11	3

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4. Simon Osborn ☐
5. Michael Walsh ☐
6. Sagi Burton ☐
7. Neil Brisco ☐
8. Michael Cummins ☐
9. Steve Brooker ☐
10. Steve McPhee ☐
11. Marc Bridge-Wilkinson ☐
12. Dean Delaney ☐
14. Rae Ingram ☐
15. Richard Burgess ☐
16. Ashley Dodd ☐
17. Ian Armstrong ☐
18. George O'Callaghan ☐
19. Alex Gibson ☐
20. Paul Donnelly ☐
21. Liam Burns ☐
22. Paul Taylor ☐
23. Steve Rowland ☐
24. Ben Simpson ☐
25. Danny Maye ☐
26. Billy Paynter ☐
27. Stephen Torpy ☐
28. Chris Birchall ☐

the robins

1. Bart Griemink ☐
2. Mark Robinson ☐
3. Sol Davies ☐
4. Matthew Hewlett ☐
5. Adam Willis ☐
6. Andrew Gurney ☐
7. Keith O'Halloran ☐
8. Bobby Howe ☐
9. Jo Kuffour ☐
10. Guiliiano Grazioli ☐
11. David Duke ☐
12. Juan Cobain ☐
14. Eric Sabin ☐
15. Richard McKinney ☐
16. Neil Ruddock ☐
17. Daniel Invincible ☐
18. Bertie Brayley ☐
19. Matthew Heywood ☐
20. Paul Edwards ☐
21. Gareth Davies ☐
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