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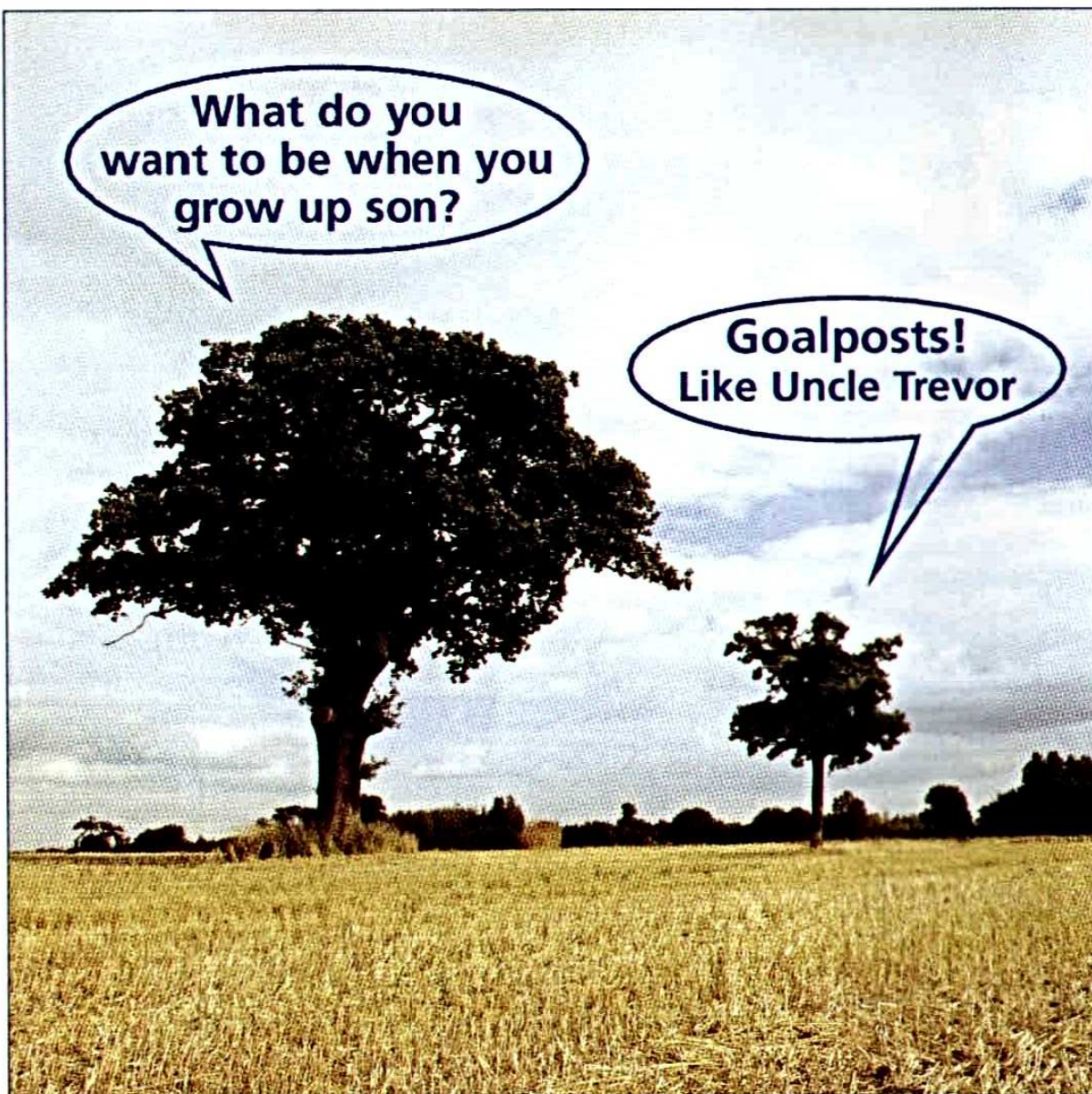


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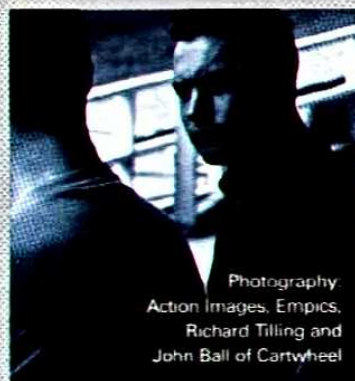
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EDITOR'S EYE

What an odd week or two it's been at Swindon Town Football Club.

It started last Thursday, the Bournemouth programme going to print in the morning before Roy Evans announced his decision to leave the club. As a consequence, much of the Boxing Day issue had to be re-done and it was then announced that Andy King was set to return as the new manager!



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As if that wasn't enough, we then witness two very bizarre refereeing performances (at both Notts County and at home to Bournemouth), with no less than three players sent off and countless others booked before it is announced that Sol Campbell is coming on as substitute! Quite what the announcer had on his mind, I'm not sure, but if I was Sol Davis I'd be quite chuffed with the comparison!

Our disciplinary record now looks rather alarming, amazing when you consider that we are hardly an aggressive side. More alarmingly perhaps is our recent record in the league. Since the 3-1 victory over Wrexham on November 27 we have picked up just one point. Quite how, I'm not sure? Those that travelled to Meadow Lane will have felt hard done by with the 3-1 reverse, whilst we had enough chances in the first half to have beaten the Cherries convincingly. Andy King certainly couldn't have wished for more from his players who, in difficult circumstances, put in a creditable performance. I am talking about, of course, the atmosphere and reaction to Andy King's return. Fair enough, people are entitled to their opinion but at Christmas, a critical time of the season, the management staff and players really need our support. For what it's worth, I don't think we could ask for anyone with more passion than King and therefore, I wish him the best of luck.

Nick Judd - Magazine Editor

*All information in this magazine is up-to-date up to and including December 27.

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BEHIND THE SCENES

For most football fans the year 2001 is probably just 'another' year - but for the supporters of this great club it has been another we would all probably like to forget. An eventful year for all the wrong reasons.

Going into today's game this year has seen three managers and three chairman at the County Ground, a year that saw us narrowly avoid relegation, a year of legal wranglings and High Court disputes and a year started in hope, crashed somewhere in the middle and ends with hope once again, in our hearts for the future. I do not think I have ever experienced such a year in over 20 years of involvement in sport - and I can honestly say I would not like to go through it again.

Having said that, 2001 has given us some warm moments - who could forget the Danny Invincible goal late in to injury time against Peterborough on the final home game of the season. Andy King's ecstatic words live on the radio after Bristol Rovers had lost their final game of the season to ensure our survival, the fans singing 'It's just like watching Brazil' as Roy Evans' young side played WBA off the park at the Hawthorns for much of the game, and the elation of 'Razor' and the lads after we had thumped Reading 3-1 on their home turf.

Nationally, the game has gone through some pretty tough times despite record TV deals. The threatened PFA strike was averted with days left before players were planning a mass walkout and the European Union sticking its nose where it's not wanted by attempting to impose a new transfer system that nobody wants. Later in the year the breakaway threat came again in the shape of the Phoenix League - again threatening this club's very survival. I have a feeling we may hear more on this story as the year 2002 unfolds.

Back home we have said goodbyes to Andy King and Roy Evans, and to Steve Mildenhall and Gary Alexander but welcomes have arrived in the shape of Eric Sabin, Andy Gurney, Paul Edwards, Razor Ruddock, Wayne Carlisle and Bertie Brayley. Football has a habit of farewells and hellos, I suppose it wouldn't be the same without transfers and comings and goings on the field. As for the New Year I am sure you will all agree what we want most is stability at the club under the stewardship of our new chairman Willie Carson - and in time a plan to take Swindon Town Football Club forward again. Thank you to everyone for their great support through a tough year - I and all the staff really appreciate your patronage - and please, please, please keep turning up. Finally, a warm Wiltshire welcome this afternoon to an old friend, Terry Robinson, the chairman of Bury, his fellow directors, staff, players and supporters. But as I have always finished through this year and will continue to do so next, I will end with: Come on you Reds!




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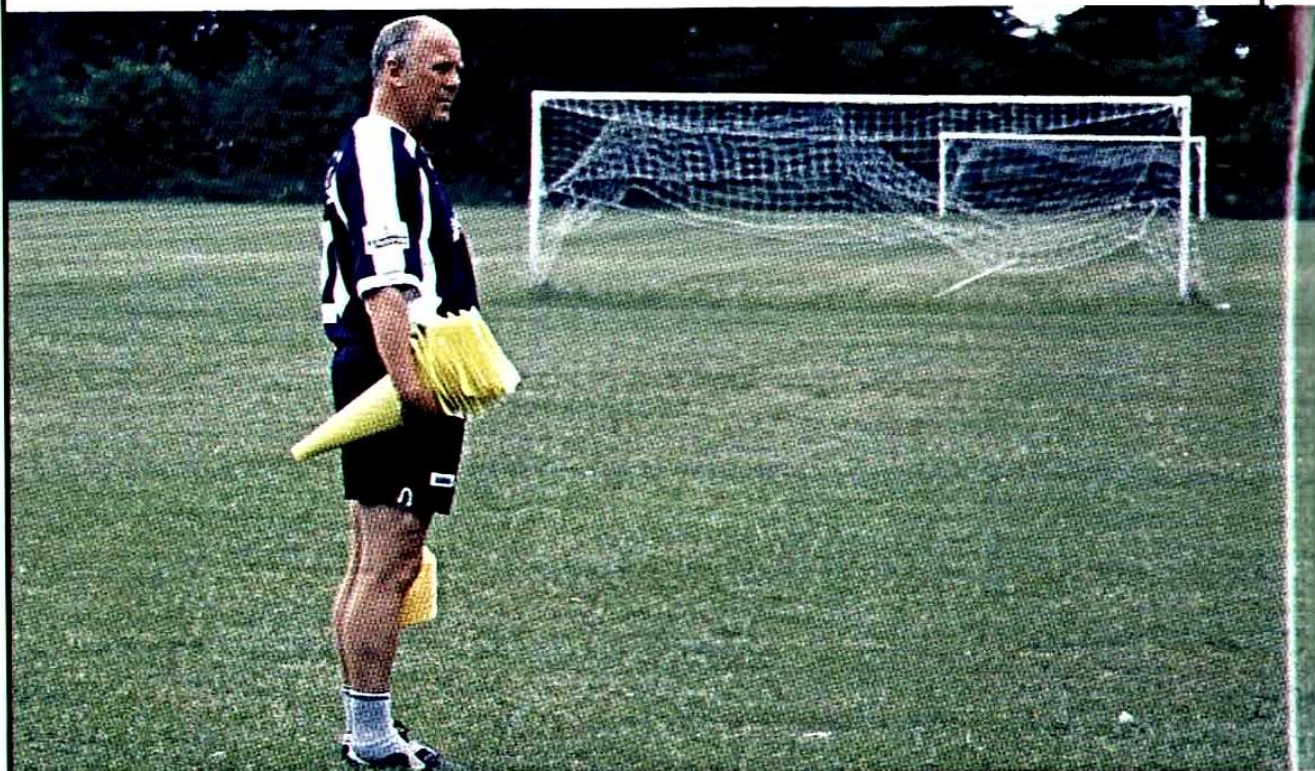
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LET'S BURY TODAY'S VISITORS

Hello and a warm welcome for what is set to be our last game of 2001. May I extend that welcome to today's visiting management team, directors, players and supporters from Bury.

Ideally, we would be entering this game having secured three points on Boxing Day against Bournemouth, unfortunately, that is not the case. How we didn't manage to win, or at least break the deadlock in the first half I don't know. I thought the lads were absolutely magnificent in the first period, they knocked the ball around, won second balls and that's as good as I've seen players like Bobby Howe play since I've been here. Steve Robinson looked to be back to his best, yet despite creating chances in the final third (the three lads working very hard together) we didn't really get it right. The back three were superb. They defended very well and I don't think Bournemouth got in our box all half, let alone have a shot on goal. But we didn't get the goal and the longer the game went on, you just got the feeling it wasn't going to be our day. Had we scored early on I am confident we would have gone on to win convincingly. But I am just pleased that after everything that has happened in the last week or so, the lads managed to put on a performance like that.

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Even so, I still walked away from the ground feeling like we'd lost when in actual fact; we'd drawn the game with just nine men on the field. The two sendings off, according to the players, were harsh. The second one in particular (involving 'Graz') was very harsh. Before that, there was a situation where the referee could have booked Eric Sabin when he slipped over and so I didn't feel there was any consistency. One thing I did promise myself when I came back was not to get involved in all that. At the end of the day, you can't change decisions, you can't win and you just have to get on with it. All I will say is that it wasn't a game of football in which three players deserved to get sent off.

Personally, I felt very strange when the game had finished. Firstly, I was expecting us to get a win and was subsequently disappointed not to have done so but secondly, the reaction I got from the fans was a bit unfair. I don't know where it came from really and I don't understand it. I'll be honest and say, first and foremost, that I feel sorry for the players. They are the ones that have to go out there and play in that kind of atmosphere and it can't do them any good, although they played against the odds on Wednesday, but also, it hurt me personally. I am the manager and as a result, I have to take the good with the bad and I will do that, I will take the brunt of it. All I want is what's best for this football club, that has never been an issue and that means everyone getting behind one another in order to take this club forward. I could understand the fans' frustration if I had come back and we'd lost five in a row but I haven't. I don't think I'm neither an idiot nor a useless manager, so I just want the chance to get this club moving in the right direction again. On a more positive note, I have been looking to bring in a couple of players.




CROZZER'S COLUMN

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

Last Wednesday we had a great opportunity to put the Notts County defeat behind us and take points off a side near us in the table. Unfortunately, we didn't take our chances and in the end we had to settle for a point. It was a frustrating game, not least because Bournemouth seemed content to play for a draw and we had to work very hard in order to break them down. They sat deep, with numerous men behind the ball and we found it hard. However, in the first half we should have opened the scoring on a number of occasions, but unfortunately we had shots come off the woodwork or drop the wrong side of the post. As the game went on I think we became more frustrated by the fact that we couldn't stick the ball in the back of the net and our task became even harder when we went down to ten, and then nine men. We continued to push bodies forward and it could have been a very different final 20 minutes had the referee not ejected Andy Gurney from the field of play. From that point I think the game changed and the visitors were a lot more positive going forward. They caught us on the break a couple of times, but had they gone on to win the match, it would have been a travesty.

The difficulty I had was that I had to contend with the Christmas period and it is difficult to move for players in that time. However, I have spoken to Peter Reid and another First Division manager who has promised to supply a player in the next couple of days. Hopefully, by today, there may be a new face to help freshen the place up. As for the speculation (or apparent speculation) surrounding Neil Ruddock and Malcolm Crosby, well that is up to them. 'Razor' is a crowd favourite here and everyone loves him so I wouldn't have thought he would want to leave! He is on a three-year contract too and I would be happy to have him here. That also goes for Malcolm Crosby, but whether or not he wants to stay is a decision that only he can make. For the benefit of the club, we have decided to give it until after the crucial Christmas period before we make any decisions. Today, we face a side looking for three points themselves to help ease their situation and so it is crucial we follow up Wednesday's performance with a similar one today. I am confident that if we can show similar passion and determination, as well as creating similar chances, we can get the win we all crave. Happy New Year and I hope to see as many of you as possible at Colchester.

STFC DIARY



8TH DEC



HOWE SCORES THE WINNER AS TOWN TAME RAMPANT BULLS

Bobby Howe (pictured) scored his second goal of the season, and town's winner in an enthralling cup tie against Hereford. Invincible had given Town the lead before Gavin Williams and Ian Wright gave the visitors a shock lead. Paul Edwards drew Town level before Howe, latching onto Edwards cross, bagged the winner.

9TH DEC



ROBINS TO MEET KEEGAN IN 'MAINE' EVENT

Swindon were handed a lucrative tie against Manchester City in the Third Round of the FA Cup. Town are set to face the Maine Road side on January 5, 2002 in a tie that sees Richie McKinney return to his former club and Paul Edwards return home. "It will be a tough tie but a fantastic day out for the fans and a win isn't out of the question", said Paul

15TH DEC



HUDDERSFIELD FROZEN OUT OF THE COUNTY GROUND

Despite the best efforts of Town's ground staff the County Ground pitch was still frozen solid and the match against Lou Macari's Huddersfield Town was postponed. Unfortunately, one of the Town's stands casts a long shadow directly across the pitch making it almost impossible to thaw the pitch in time for the afternoon kick-off.

19TH DEC



STALEMATE AS TOWN RESERVES DRAW AT HOME

Town Reserves couldn't find the win that has eluded them for eight matches, despite Alan Reeves, Alan Young and James Williams returning from injury. Only a Sol Davis blockbuster could draw Town level and the match finished 1-1 after 90 minutes. Three trialists were also included: Andy Martin, Jade Stirling and Daniel Bennett.

20TH DEC



ROY EVANS LEAVES SWINDON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

After much speculation, Roy Evans decided to quit his role as Director of Football of Swindon Town FC. His sighted the club's 'financial instability' as one of his main reasons for making his decision. The new board were unable to guarantee Roy any money for new players as the club's financial crisis could be as much as £3.5 million in the red.

21ST DEC



ROBINS TRAVEL TO MEET MILDY'S MAGPIES

Town's assistant manager Malcolm Crosby steps in as caretaker manager and leads the team to the Midlands to face Notts County. The Robins come face-to-face with former Town hero, Steve Mildenhall, now playing his trade for the Magpies. Details of the result and player appearances can be found on pages 54-55.

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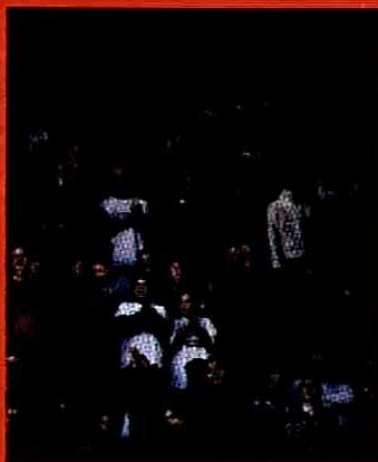
As we continue to try and spread the message about how important TrustSTFC can be to supporter involvement in running of our club, it's become apparent that STFC fans can broadly be broken down into three groups: Those that have joined TrustSTFC, or will, but just haven't quite got round to it yet; those that are fed up with all the off-field antics and are now only interested in the football; and lastly, those that no longer come to the game, but did so regularly two or three years ago.

For me, two motivating factors for getting involved with TrustSTFC were a deep desire to see league football continue to be played in Swindon, and a return of big passionate crowds. Well, OK, crowds of eight to nine thousand, week-in week-out, with plenty of noise coming from our fans in the ground.

With the Town playing some better football at the moment, it's disappointing to see that the crowds have not come back, after all, isn't that what we all expected?

It's a sad testament to the way in which fans were so poorly treated by past regimes that they have yet to be tempted back and, only goes to emphasise the need to ensure that Swindon Town's fans gain representation on the Board of the club, to ensure that this situation doesn't occur again.

But whether you decide to join the Trust or not, everyone can have a part to play in helping this club survive. It's financial condition is still critical, and paying fans are still important to its survival. It's easy to sit back and hope that someone else sorts out the problems, but you can make a difference. You know someone who 'used to be a regular' and you can help by cajoling them into turning up for a game or two, or buy them a ticket as a gift! Hopefully they'll get hooked again! Happy New Year, and don't forget to make your New Year resolution to bring an old friend to the County Ground.



Treatment room...



WYVERN
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Sadly, due to print deadlines, these notes find you ahead of our two games against Notts County and Bournemouth. I just hope that we have had no new additions to the Treatment Room and that you will all be up to date with the situation of the squad ahead of today's clash. Those of you who watched the reserve game against Northampton, will know that there has been a couple of positive developments. Firstly, James Williams played once again without any adverse reaction. He will now be working on his own game in an attempt to get himself in the picture for the first team. Alan Reeves, who was doing ball work before the reserve game, came through the full ninety minutes without reaction too. Whether or not he plays today will be up to the manager, it is just a case of him getting back to full fitness. Furthermore, you will also have seen the long-awaited return of Alan Young! Alan played the last half-hour and despite being a bit out of touch, also came through the game unscathed.

Matty Hewlett is recovering well from his keyhole surgery and we are hoping that he may return against his former club, Bristol City, whilst Keith O'Halloran is back in the swimming pool following the removal of his cast.

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Bury striker, Jon Newby, will be instrumental if the Shakers are to climb away up the table

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SHAKERS SET TO BURY BAD FORM

THE LANCASTRIANS NEED TO IMPROVE QUICKLY FOLLOWING A DISASTROUS OPENING HALF OF THE CAMPAIGN. HOWEVER, A RECENT RUN OF FORM, THAT HAS SEEN THEM LOSE JUST ONE GAME IN THE LAST SIX LEAGUE ENCOUNTERS WOULD SUGGEST THAT THERE MAY BE BETTER TIMES AHEAD FOR ANDY PREECE'S SIDE.



The Shakers club made a poor finish to last season's campaign, picking up just five points from their last seven games, and Andy Preece's side has unfortunately continued where it left off. Although it seems a bit early to talk of a six-pointers and relegation dogfights, the outlook is certainly bleak at the moment.

Shakers facts

Name Bury

Formation 1885

Nickname The Shakers

Stadium Gigg Lane (11,800)

Management team Steve

Redmond, Graham Barrow

Position 2000/01 16 (Nationwide
League Division Two)

Recent signings

Ian Lawson, Jamie Stuart

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Next three fixtures

Jan 1 Wrexham (H) 3.00pm

Jan 5 Huddersfield (H) 1.00pm

Jan 12 QPR (A) 3.00pm

Top goalscorer Seddon (5)

Honours

Second Division Champions

1895, 1997

Third Division Champions 1961

FA Cup Winners 1900, 1903

Most capped player

Bill Gorman (11 EIRE)

Head to head (wins)

Swindon: 17, Shakers: 12, Draws 11

Last encounter

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There were no signs of the trouble on the season's opening day, when the Shakers travelled to Tranmere Rovers and stunned the freshly-relegated Birkenhead club by gaining a 2-1 victory thanks to Paul Reid's 84th minute strike. However, they then lost their next game 2-1 at Gigg Lane against QPR, and after a 3-1 Worthington Cup exit at the hands of Sheffield Wednesday, losing has quickly become an all too familiar feeling for Shaker's followers. Preece's men then lost four consecutive games without scoring a single goal in reply, going down at home against Swindon (0-3) and Wigan (0-2), and on their travels against Huddersfield (0-2) and Wrexham (0-1). When the Shakers finally did manage to score twice against Bournemouth on September 15, they still conceded three at the other end to leave Dorchester pointless, although they nearly managed to earn a draw before Brian Stock's injury time winner. However, there does appear to be light at the end of the tunnel, the Shakers losing just one game since defeat at Vale Park at the start of November. And it was to the league leaders too, whilst other results have seen them add to what was a meagre points tally. Wins against Cardiff, fellow strugglers Northampton and Colchester (with a draw against Bristol City sandwiched in between) were followed by the Brighton defeat and a win at Notts County and it now sees them snapping at the heels of our lads. A win today would be crucial for either side.

Bury's Gigg Lane





on Newby celebrates
with team mate
against Tranmere

A much-travelled, and vastly experienced striker who is also the current player-manager, Andy Preece was handed the manager's job in December 1999 when Neil Warnock left for Sheffield United. He is proving to be one of the most popular managers seen at Bury in many a year, but looks likely to have his work cut out this season.

Powerful in the air and possessing a strong right foot, his professional career began with Northampton after signing from hometown club, Evesham. After only three appearances for the Cobblers, he dropped back into non-league football with Worcester City. He soon re-entered the professional ranks with Wrexham and after an impressive season in Wales, Stockport paid £10,000 for his services in December 1991.

He came to the fore with County, making more than 100 appearances before a £350,000 move to Crystal Palace. He never really managed to impose himself on the pitch at Selhurst Park and was on the move again in the summer of 1995 when he joined Blackpool.

Preece enjoyed one of the best spells of his career at Bloomfield Road, scoring 40 goals in 156 games, before joining Bury on a free transfer during the summer of 1998.



In the dug-out...

ANDY PREECE

One to watch...

JON NEWBY

Former Liverpool striker who made a massive impact after signing on loan for the Shakers last season. He scored after 56 minutes of his Bury debut against Peterborough in February, and added two more in a 3-1 victory over Oxford at Gigg Lane a fortnight later. By the end of the season he had scored five goals and signed permanently for the Lancashire club for a reported fee of £100,000. The goals have not flowed so freely so far this season but he has already shown his ability and will certainly have a crucial part to play.

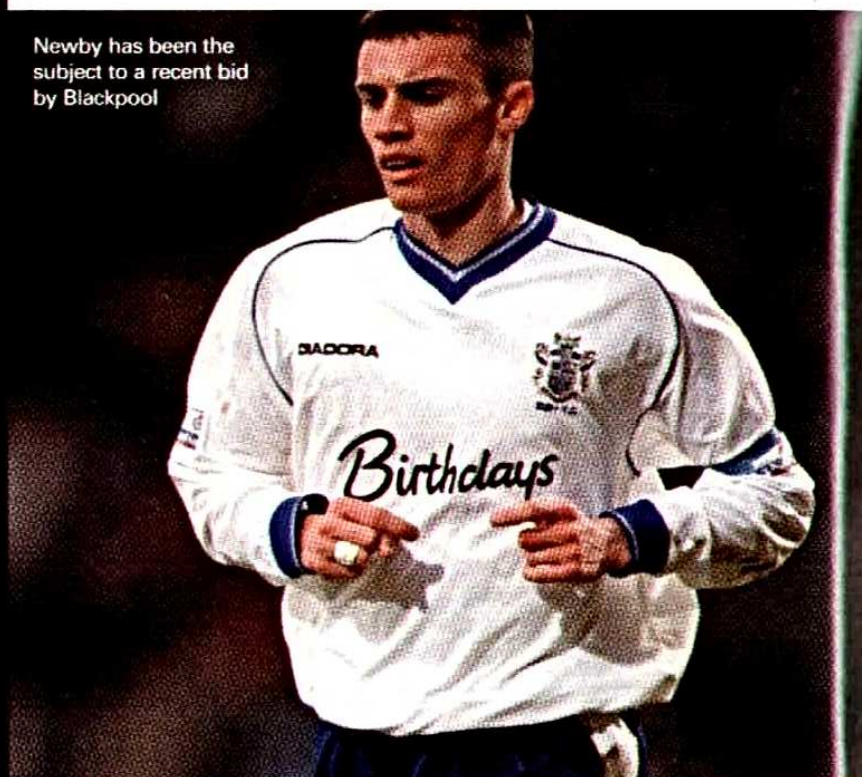
Young gun...

GEORGE CLEGG

20 year old striker who joined the Shakers from Man United before the start of the season. The former Old Trafford trainee was unable to break into Sir Alex Ferguson's first team, and had a brief loan spell with Wycombe Wanderers before moving to Gigg Lane in the summer. Despite the side losing on his debut, Clegg went on to score in the next game, a 2-0 win against Peterborough United. He has since played in seven games for the Shakers.



Newby has been the subject to a recent bid by Blackpool



the former United man is looking for success with Bury





Paddy Kenny

Keeper who was spotted playing for non-league Bradford Park Avenue and joined the Shakers after a successful trial in July 1998. Spent his first year as understudy to Dean Kiely and has excelled since taking over between the sticks following Kiely's departure to Charlton two years ago.

Steve Redmond

Started his career at Man City, playing 287 games for the club. Transferred to Oldham in 1992 for £300,000 and was an integral part of the side as he clocked up 239 games. The 33 year-old defender joined Bury on a free transfer in the summer of 1998, and is now assistant manager.

Glynn Garner

Arrived in June 2000 from Llanelli. The former Cwmbran, Risca, Newport and Caerleon keeper, who was a Welsh semi-pro international. Has had to play second fiddle to Paddy Kenny but has figured in the first team more recently.

Jason Jarrett

22 year-old midfielder who was born in Bury but spotted by Blackpool and joined them as a trainee. Before long he was snapped up by Wrexham on a free transfer, but after just a handful of appearances again found himself out of contention, and signed for Bury last season.

Chris Armstrong

18-year-old who was given his first team debut last December and made an immediate impression in the back line. That one appearance led to a run in the first team that virtually lasted the remainder of the season for the youngster. Younger brother of Burnley star Gordon.

Lee Unsworth

28 year-old defender who came into League football in 1995 when Crewe signed him from Ashton United. He made more than 150 appearances for the Alex before being released in the summer of 2000. Signed for Bury and soon established himself as an important player.

Sam Collins

Tough and committed 24 year-old defender who signed from Huddersfield in July 1999 on a free transfer, after making 47 appearances in five seasons with the Terriers. Was on the treatment bench for a while last term with Achilles trouble but has been a regular pick this season.

Gareth Seddon

A member of the RAF until July, Seddon attracted the interest of a number of League clubs after good performances for Atherstone United in the Dr Martens League. The pacey 21 year-old striker played a couple of reserve games for the Royals before eventually joining Bury.

Danny Swailes

Bolton-born defender who will be looking to take over at the heart of the defence from namesake, Chris Swailes, who joined Rotherham during the close season. The 22 year-old made his debut in September 1998 and is also able to play in midfield when required.

Chris Billy

28 year-old midfielder player who started his career with hometown club, Huddersfield, and clocked up more than 100 appearances before joining Plymouth and playing 137 games for the Pilgrims. He then had a brief spell with Notts County before joining Bury in September 1998.

Matt Murphy

Joined Oxford for £20,000 from non-league Corby in February 1993 and spent eight years with the U's before joining Bury on a free transfer during the summer. A regular goalscorer throughout his stay at the Manor, the 30 year-old midfielder/striker has become a key player.

Harpal Singh

The 20 year-old striker joined Bury on a month's loan from Leeds in the middle of September. The small but quick striker, who has not yet played for the Leeds first team, is one of the first British Asians to play professional football, and big things are expected of him.



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was in charge."

FROM THE AIRWAVES

What a great Christmas present! Ever have the feeling we've been here before? So many listeners to BBC Wiltshire Sound have aired their views on the departure of Roy Evans from Swindon Town.

Personally, I'm very sad that he felt unable to continue the excellent work he's done since the departure of Andy King.

The news broke live on my breakfast show last Thursday morning, the telephone system lighting up like a Christmas tree with frustrated fans wanting to make their point. Some blaming the new board for not working hard enough to keep him, others accusing them of a lack of ambition and then former council leader Sue Bates revealed that she wasn't surprised that Evans had decided to leave, claiming the deal which brought him to the County Ground allegedly included a share of profits from the development of the Front Garden site.

Before anyone starts getting too upset about this, let me make it clear that - if true - there's absolutely no suggestion of any wrong-doing. It seems to me like a very clever incentive to attract a high quality manager and, in turn, reward him for any success he brought to the club. I think he has been very honest in his appraisal of the difficulties which lay ahead. He told BBC Wiltshire Sound's Ed Hadwin that he "felt unable to move the club forward from it's current position." The new board of directors has made it clear that the financial stability of the club is their primary concern. In my opinion - quite rightly so.

Let me give you the stark choice. If there is no money to move the club forward by strengthening the squad, do you want the board to throw money at the problem if it means risking the survival of the club? At its worst, if the choice was survival of the club, but dropping into the third division, what would it be? For any true supporter of the club, survival is the priority. Let's not forget that Andy King left Roy Evans with a side that was beginning to take shape, remember the game against Derby County? I'm sure the new boss will also benefit from Roy's input during his 139 day reign.

Let's wish Roy Evans well and thank him for what he achieved in the time he was in charge. Wonder if he's just going to run the car lot in Albert Square?

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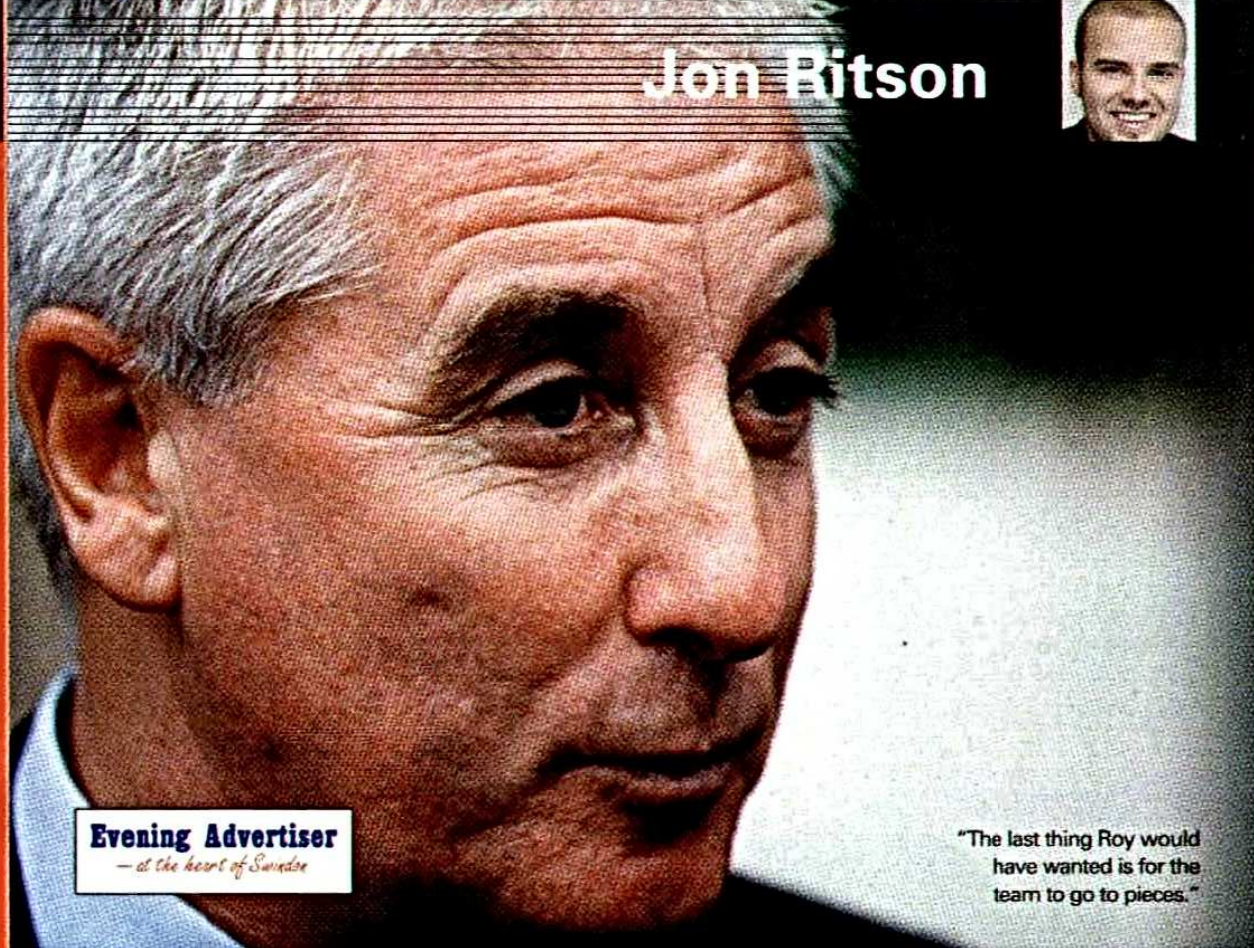
A man with dark hair and a beard, wearing a black long-sleeved shirt with a small red star on the chest, is sitting in a stadium of red seats. He is looking directly at the camera with a serious expression. His right hand is resting on his knee, which is covered in a dark, textured material. The background consists of rows of empty red plastic seats.

A man with dark hair and a slight smile is sitting in the foreground, surrounded by rows of empty red stadium seats. He is wearing a black sports jacket with white stripes on the sleeves and a small white logo on the chest. The background is filled with the repetitive pattern of the red seats, creating a sense of depth.

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FROM THE **PRESS** BOX

Has it sunk in yet that we are managerless once again (or at least we were when I penned these notes?)

Roy Evans' decision to quit was not a surprise, but I had hoped against hope that he would decide to stick it out with us. Ultimately he decided that he could not take the club where he wanted it to go. I think the vast majority of us were desperate for him to finish what he had started. Yes, we were not ripping up any trees in Division Two but the players seemed to have found a new sense of belief.

Roy did indeed provide 'football with a smile' but there weren't too many smiles around the place on December 20. Perhaps we should put an advertisement out for a 'temporary' post. After all, no-one seems to hang around for too long, do they? How long can we carry on in this fashion? It is profoundly depressing.

Still, however fed-up you are, Swindon Town is still in business and there is the important business of league points to be won. The last thing Roy would have wanted is for the team to go to pieces. If that happened then all his good work would go to waste.

Hopefully we will have got positive results against Notts County and Bournemouth and are up for today's clash. Bury have improved leaps and bounds and we will have to be at our best to avoid a slip-up.

Anyway, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year. Who knows what 2002 will bring for Swindon Town Football Club? Let's hope it's a bit happier than the last 12 months.

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Brentford
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Highest
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Colchester 6
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Peterborough 6
Bournemouth 0
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Bristol City 3
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Colchester 6
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Bury 8
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Notts County 13
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Home Wins
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Away Wins
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Average Attendances

	3000	6000	9000	12000	15000
Bournemouth					4,265
Blackpool					5,089
Brentford					6,408
Brighton					6,644
Bristol City					11,444
Bury					3,477
Cambridge					3,459
Cardiff					11,653
Chesterfield					4,167
Colchester					3,851
Huddersfield					9,830
Northampton					4,930
Notts County					5,312
Oldham					5,852
Peterborough					6,147
Port Vale					5,316
QPR					11,045
Reading					12,010
Stoke					13,378
Swindon					6,368
Tranmere					8,690
Wigan					5,683
Wrexham					3,861
Wycombe					6,571

Goals - When Scored

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Bl	7	3	4	3	4	9
Bt	7	6	5	9	9	10
BHA	7	3	5	5	7	5
BC	3	5	10	8	6	6
Bm	4	2	5	3	3	7
CU	4	3	3	4	3	4
Ca	4	5	12	4	4	6
Ch	5	0	2	8	5	8
CU	9	11	6	2	3	7
HT	0	5	6	6	10	7
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NC	5	4	4	3	8	6
OA	4	6	9	1	8	10
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Form Guide: Home & Away

Home Form	most recent result on left	Away Form
LLDWW	Bournemouth	LLWLD
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DDWWL	Bury	WWLLL
LLDDW	Cambridge	LLLLL
WWDWD	Cardiff	DDDLW
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DWLLD	Colchester	DDWLL
WDDWL	Huddersfield	DDDWL
WLLLW	Northampton	LLLL
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WDWDL	Oldham	LLDDL
LLWWW	Peterborough	LLLLL
DDWLD	Port Vale	LLDLW
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DLWWW	Reading	WWWL
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WDLWL	Swindon	LLLD
WWDWL	Tranmere	WLWDL
DWDWL	Wigan	DDWWW
LWLLD	Wrexham	LLLWL
WWWWD	Wycombe	LLDDW

Clubs' top scorer & the points their goals have won

see key below	Leading Scorer	GS	Sc1	Sc2	HT	Gms/Gls/Gm	Pts	Run
QPR	Andy Thomson	17	8	3	1	22	0.77	20 3
Brighton	Bobby Zamora	15	13	1	0	22	0.68	20 8
Wycombe	Andy Rammell	9	5	2	0	19	0.47	11 2
Colchester	Scott McGleish	12	8	2	0	23	0.52	9 2
Wigan	Simon Haworth	10	6	2	0	20	0.50	9 3
Brentford	Paul Evans	12	8	2	0	18	0.67	8 4
Peterborough	Leon McKenzie	7	5	1	0	11	0.64	8 2
Cambridge	Dave Kitson	7	7	0	0	21	0.33	8 2
Bristol City	Tony Thorpe	10	7	0	1	24	0.42	7 1
Huddersfield	Andy Booth	8	3	1	1	19	0.42	7 2
Reading	Jamie Cureton	6	2	2	0	19	0.32	7 2
Tranmere	Stuart Barlow	10	4	0	2	18	0.56	6 2
Bournemouth	Wade Elliott	6	2	2	0	23	0.26	5 2
Chesterfield	Jonathan Howard	5	5	0	0	12	0.42	5 4
Bury	Gareth Seddon	4	2	1	0	19	0.21	5 1
Cardiff	Robert Earnshaw	7	7	0	0	18	0.39	4 2
Wrexham	Craig Faulconbridge	7	7	0	0	21	0.33	4 2
Stoke	Chris Iwelumo	6	4	1	0	16	0.38	4 3
Swindon	Guiliano Grazioli	6	4	1	0	16	0.38	4 3
Notts County	Danny Allsopp	7	3	2	0	23	0.30	3 1
Northampton	Jamie Forrester	6	2	2	0	20	0.30	3 2
Port Vale	Stephen McPhee	5	3	1	0	21	0.24	3 1
Blackpool	Danny Coid	3	3	0	0	16	0.19	3 1
Oldham	Carlo Corazzini	5	5	0	0	14	0.36	2 3

Biggest Wins & Heaviest Defeats

Club	Win - vs.	Defeat - vs.
Bournemouth	3-0 Wrexham	0-6 Peterboro
Blackpool	4-2 Huddersfield	0-4 Brltn, Tran
Brentford	5-1 Bury	3-5 Wycombe
Brighton	4-0 Blackpool	0-2 Northmptn
Bristol City	3-0 vs 3 clubs	1-4 Peterboro
Bury	3-0 Cardiff	1-5 Brentford
Cambridge	3-1 Bury	1-6 Tranmere
Cardiff	3-0 Swindon	0-3 Bury
Chesterfield	4-0 Swindon	3-6 Colchester
Colchester	6-3 Chesterfield	1-4 Brentford
Huddersfield	5-1 Wrexham	2-4 Blackpool
Northampton	4-1 Tranmere	0-3 vs 3 clubs
Notts County	3-1 Swindon	1-4 Oldham
Oldham	4-0 Bury	0-3 Brighton
Peterboro	6-0 Bournemouth	1-4 Port Vale
Port Vale	5-0 Cambridge	1-4 QPR
QPR	4-0 Swindon	1-4 Peterboro
Reading	4-1 Tranmere	1-3 Swindon
Stoke	5-1 Wycombe	1-6 Wigan
Swindon	3-0 Bury	0-4 Chfd, QPR
Tranmere	6-1 Cambridge	0-4 Brentford
Wigan	6-1 Stoke	1-3 Blackpool
Wrexham	2-0 Cambridge	0-5 Tranmere
Wycombe	5-2 Wrexham	1-5 Stoke

Numbers

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Key: GS=Goals Scored; Sc1=Goals Scored 1 Goal; Sc2=Goals Scored 2 Goals; HT=Half-Time; Each club's leading league score and avg. goals per game (PU) are shown. Next column shows taking of their goals, how many Points (PU) lost. Last figure shows best scoring Run in consecutive games.

NUMBERS: PU = Players Used; CS = Clean Sheets; FS = Games Failed to Score

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Fulham v Manchester United
Sunday 30 December, Sky Sports 1
Leicester City v Arsenal
Tuesday 1 January, ITV Sport Select

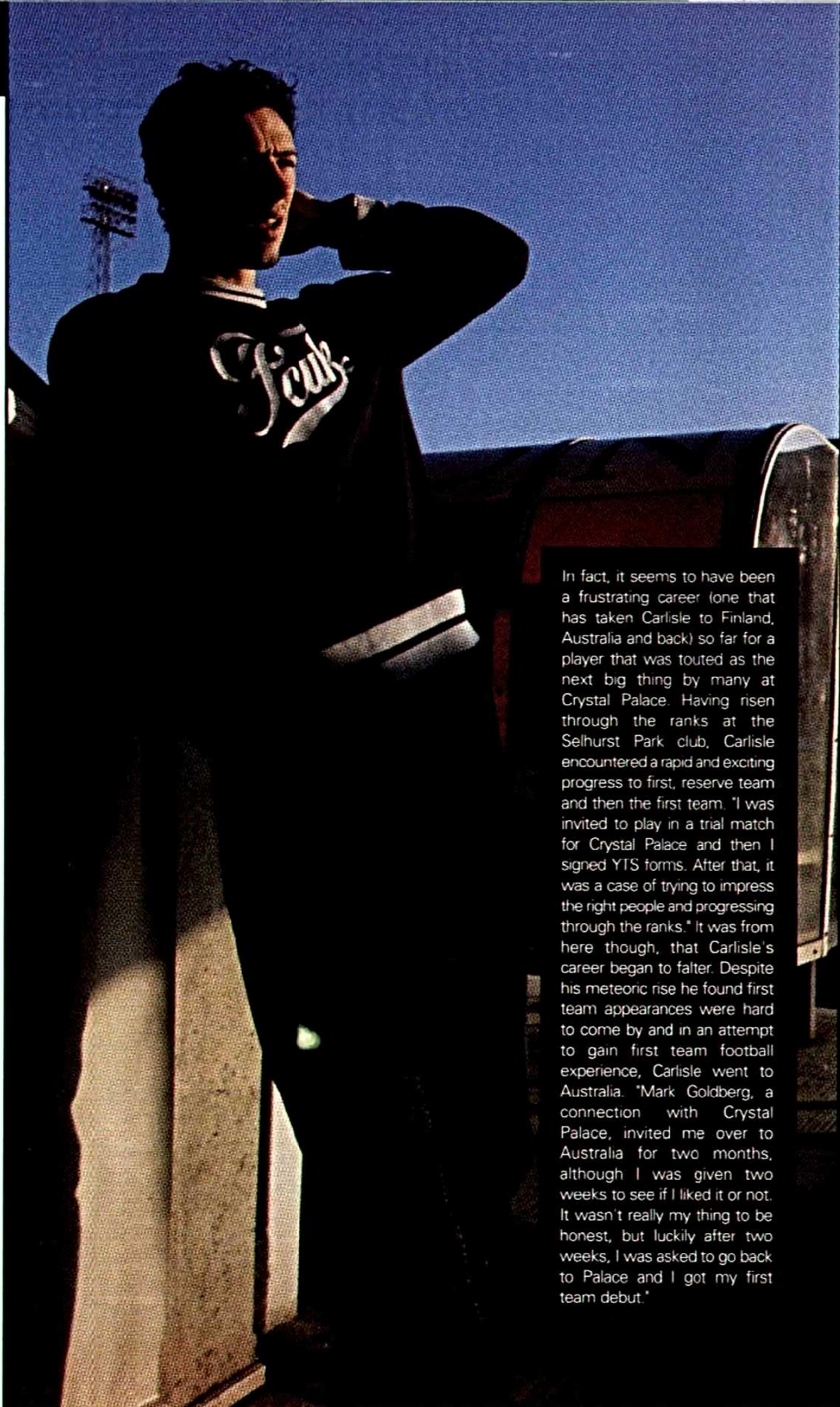
Manchester Utd v Newcastle Utd
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Cardiff City v Leeds United
Sunday 6 January, Sky Sports 1

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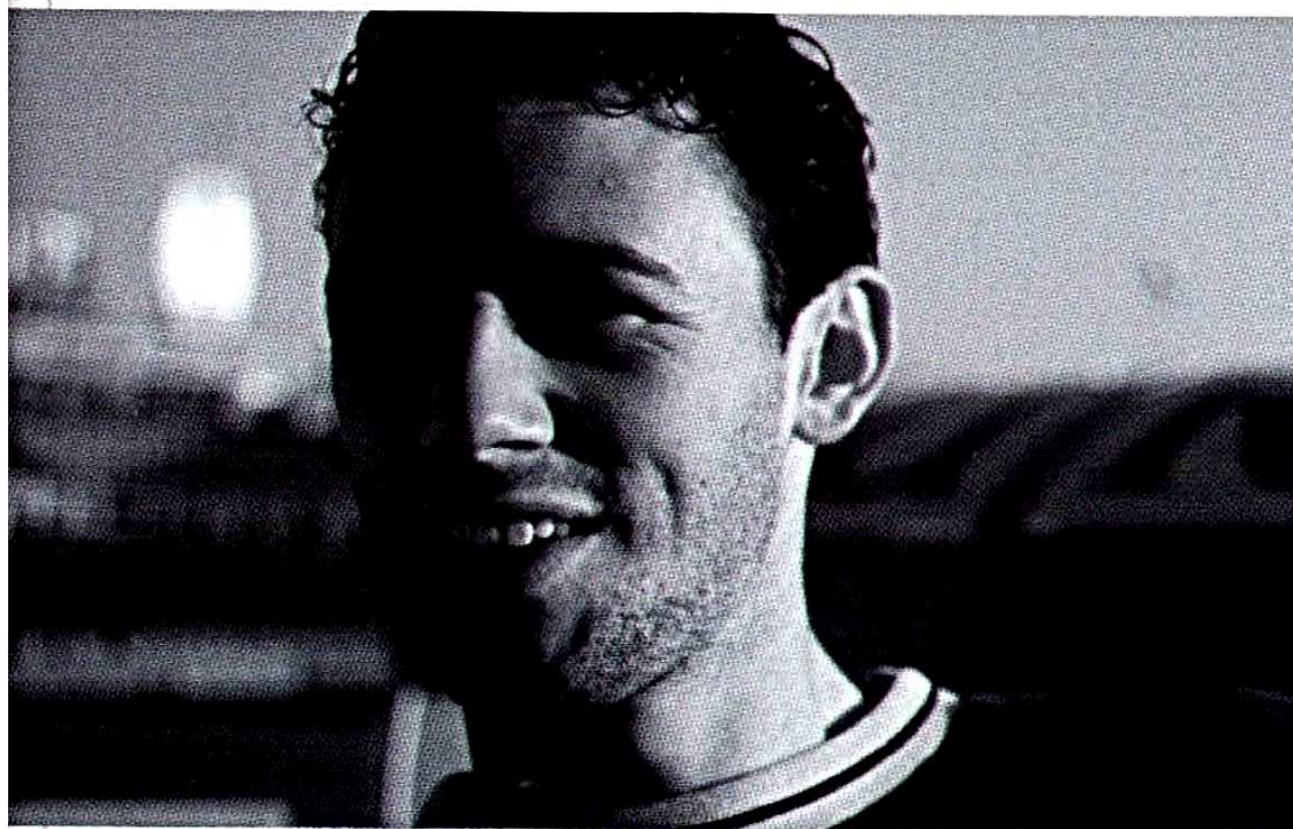
EAGLES

Whilst this season's off-the-field events have been frustrating and concerning for the vast majority of Town supporters, it is nothing new to Town's on-loan star who, unfortunately, has seen it all before. Having left Crystal Palace, (who, in his time have had six managers and several behind the scenes rifts) Wayne Carlisle joined Town, whose troubles need no explanation. Few could blame him then, for thinking he's somewhat of an unlucky charm. "It must be something to do with me, I've played with about seven managers and even more chairman. And I'm only 22!" he jokes, with an overwhelming sense of frustration, ebbing through his Irish accent.

DARE



In fact, it seems to have been a frustrating career (one that has taken Carlisle to Finland, Australia and back) so far for a player that was touted as the next big thing by many at Crystal Palace. Having risen through the ranks at the Selhurst Park club, Carlisle encountered a rapid and exciting progress to first, reserve team and then the first team. "I was invited to play in a trial match for Crystal Palace and then I signed YTS forms. After that, it was a case of trying to impress the right people and progressing through the ranks." It was from here though, that Carlisle's career began to falter. Despite his meteoric rise he found first team appearances were hard to come by and in an attempt to gain first team football experience, Carlisle went to Australia. "Mark Goldberg, a connection with Crystal Palace, invited me over to Australia for two months, although I was given two weeks to see if I liked it or not. It wasn't really my thing to be honest, but luckily after two weeks, I was asked to go back to Palace and I got my first team debut."



Unfortunately, Carlisle's debut with the Eagles wasn't the catalyst for an extended run in the team, bizarre when you consider he was highly thought of and was busy representing Northern Ireland. However, such was the number of managerial changes, highlighted by the recent upheaval involving Steve Bruce and Trevor Francis, it's no surprise that opportunities were at a premium. Fortunately for Town, a certain Neil Ruddock realised his potential and when Town's player coach joined The Robins, it paved the way for the diminutive midfielder to move to Wiltshire. "I just needed first team football and when I heard that there was a chance to join Swindon in October, I jumped at the chance and I thank Razor for giving that to me. There were a few clubs that were interested, but in the end I knew Razor and he said that he'd look after me."

Carlisle has not looked back since October 12. Despite sitting on the bench for Town's visits to both Reading and Colchester, Town fans soon saw just what the young Irishman was capable of in a fantastic 21-minute spell as a substitute against Cambridge (in which Town scored two goals). And despite Roy Evans frustration that his cross (that led to Grazioli's second goal) should have been run into the corner, he was soon singing his praises after a wonder-goal against Wycombe. "I don't really score enough to be honest. I think I could have had a couple more in my time here, but when I do manage to get on the score sheet, the goals tend to be pretty good ones!" He is, of course, referring to another blockbuster that he scored in the early stages of his Palace career against Portsmouth. But it's not his goal scoring ability that brought him to the club and instead, it has been his guile and invention in Town's midfield that has endeared him to the County Ground faithful. I have had a fantastic time here at Swindon! I get on well with all the lads; it's a lovely little club. The main thing for me though, was that I get some first team football and I am grateful for being given that opportunity and I think we have done well. We've won a few games and lost a few and it's been pretty inconsistent, but then we have played some of the top sides in the division. We have played some nice football and I just hope that I have been an instrumental part of that - it's been a great experience."



Unfortunately, loan signings normally mean that the player has to return to their club. However, if he were given the opportunity, Wayne would love to stay here. "I'm not sure whether or not a return to Palace would be the best option in terms of my own career. I have been there for a while and so maybe it's time for change. They are doing well and under new management, it would be hard to go back to playing reserve team football, especially if I want to return to Northern Ireland's squad and to be honest, that is my ultimate aim. I did speak to Roy about the situation and he said that he would love to take me on a more permanent basis, it depends on the financial situation of the club, so it's pretty much all up in the air. But there are two weeks until I'm due to go back and maybe we'll know more about the financial situation then."

Roy has since left the club and despite Town's ongoing financial concerns, there is still a job to do on the field. "To be honest, although I was disappointed Roy has left, I have seen this situation before so I've taken it in my stride. That is not to say that I wasn't surprised. There had been a lot of talk in the papers, but it's not until it actually happens that you realise the impact it has. Roy was a good manager and he worked hard into putting things right here at Swindon and although we weren't setting the league on fire, the signs of improvement were there. But it has happened and we mustn't forget that two other factors in our success, Crozzer and Razor, are still here and we must all continue to do what we've been doing and continue the good work. That's what Roy would want."

Pleasing to hear, and at a time when positive results are an absolute must with Town facing the prospect of seven fixtures in just two weeks. "The Christmas period is the most important of the season, we all realise that having spoken about it. There is a fine line between success and failure because. If we win a few we are right up there and if we lose a few there is little space between us and those at the bottom. With what's happened recently, I think we all feel that we have to prove a point and I am confident that we will come out of this period on a positive note."

Let's just hope he's right. A good run in the league would be a magnificent start to 2002 and may well quash the memories of what has been a disappointing 2001. With any luck though, Wayne will still be here when the next New Year comes around and if he is, only then will we let him go back to Palace, as a Town player playing in Division One!



SWINDON TOWN

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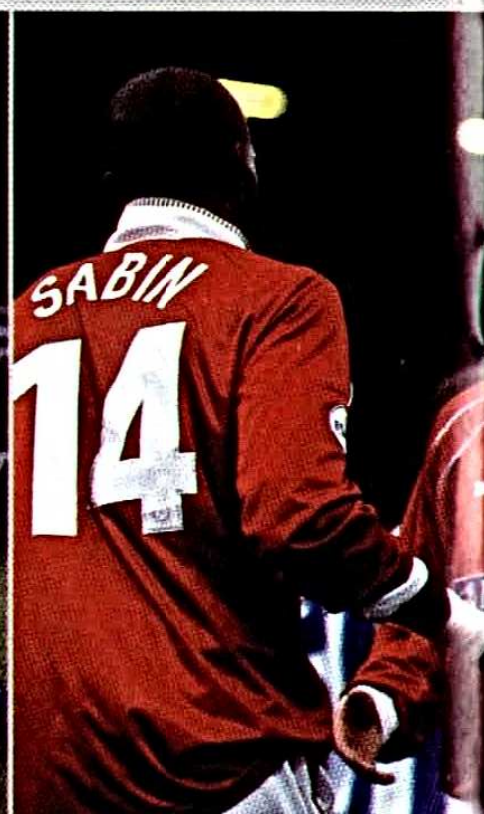
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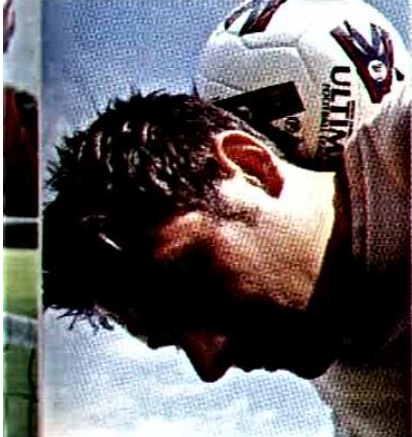
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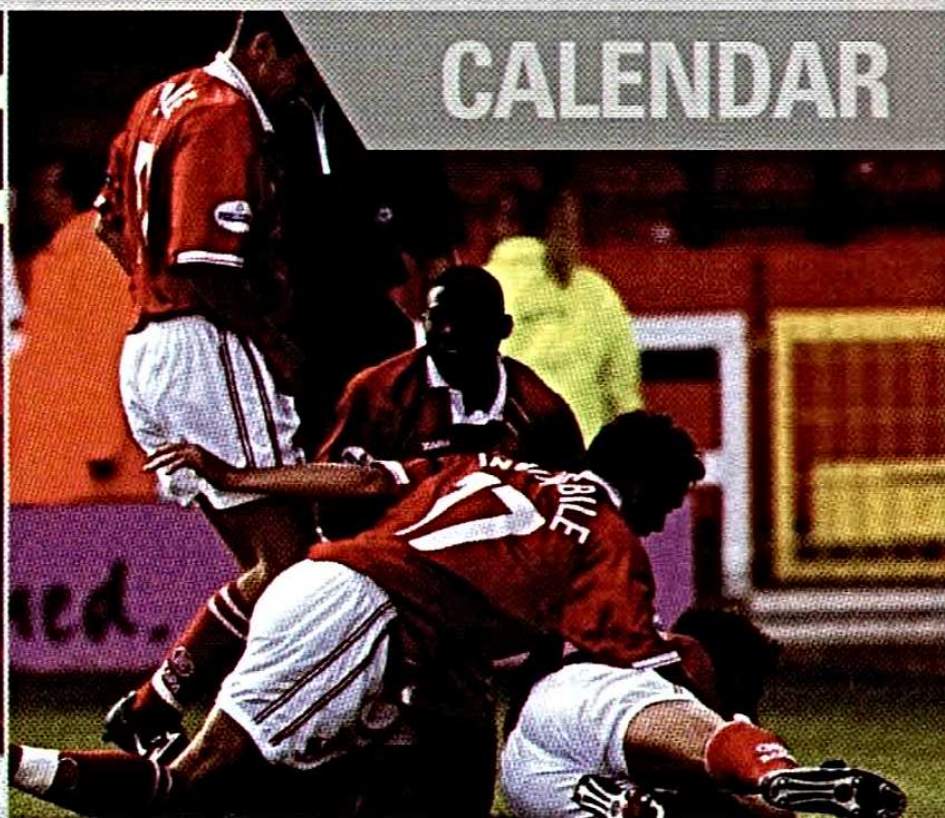
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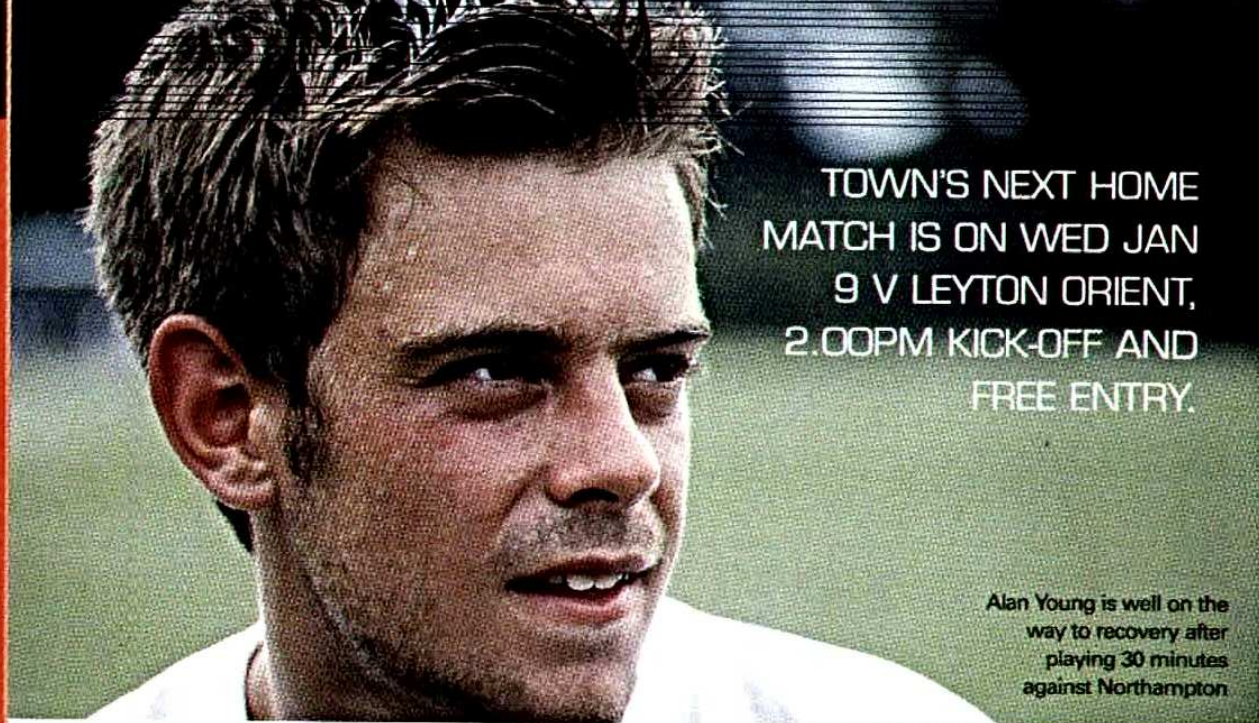
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CALENDAR





TOWN'S NEXT HOME
MATCH IS ON WED JAN
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FREE ENTRY.

Alan Young is well on the
way to recovery after
playing 30 minutes
against Northampton

IN RESERVE

Town's second string continued their disappointing run without a win with a 1-1 draw against Northampton Town at the County Ground.

The draw two weeks ago means that Town have gone eight games without a win (nine if you include their postponed fixture against Barnet), their last victory coming against Bournemouth at home on September 12.

Included in Town's side was James Williams, playing his second game since returning from injury, Alan Reeves, also returning from the Treatment Room as well as three trialists Andy Martin, Jade Stirling and Daniel Bennett. Another notable player to return from Dick Mackey's treatment table was Alan Young, albeit on the bench, who was taking part in his first fixture of the season since picking up a nasty ankle injury. "Last year I played in a practice match and a trialist tackled me badly. At first I thought I just sprained it, but I had torn my ligaments. I returned for pre-season, but it still wasn't right. So I went to a specialist and they saw that the tendon had been destroyed. So then another operation wrapped the tendon around the bone." However, Youngy can now see the end and he said after coming on in the 1-1 draw, "Now I've come back to training and touch wood, it feels fine so hopefully I can get a run out for the reserves and then hopefully, the first team. I've been doing a lot of training with Dick and my fitness is quite good. Now it's just a case of building up my match fitness." Town went behind to an early goal from Neil Champelovier, but Sol Davis equalised just three minutes later with a 25-yard blockbuster as Roy Evans looked on at his last game as Director of Football.



Swindon Res 1
N'hampton Res 1

Wednesday 19th December
kick-off 2.00pm

Swindon line-up:

McKinney, Collins, Davis,
McAreevey, Reeves, Bennett,
Williams, Halliday, Martin, Grazioli,
Brayley Subs: Farr, Stirling,
N Edwards, Young, B Smith

Wed Aug 15	Wycombe Wanderers	(H)	1-3
Tue Aug 21	Bristol City (L.C.)	(H)	2-1
Wed Aug 29	Oxford United	(A)	0-1
Wed Sep 5	Brighton & Hove	(A)	0-1
Wed Sep 12	AFC Bournemouth	(H)	2-0
Wed Sep 25	Bristol Rovers	(A)	0-2
Wed Oct 3	Norwich City	(H)	1-2
Wed Oct 10	Cheltenham Town	(A)	0-1
Thur Oct 18	Colchester United	(H)	0-2
Wed Nov 7	Peterborough United	(H)	3-0
Mon Nov 12	Cambridge United	(A)	2-2
Wed Dec 5	Barnet	(H)	P-P
Wed Dec 12	Luton Town	(A)	0-1
Wed Dec 19	Northampton Town	(H)	1-1
Wed Jan 2	Reading (L.C.)	(A)	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 6	Cardiff City (L.C.)	(H)	2.00pm
Wed Mar 13	Bristol City	(A)	2.00pm
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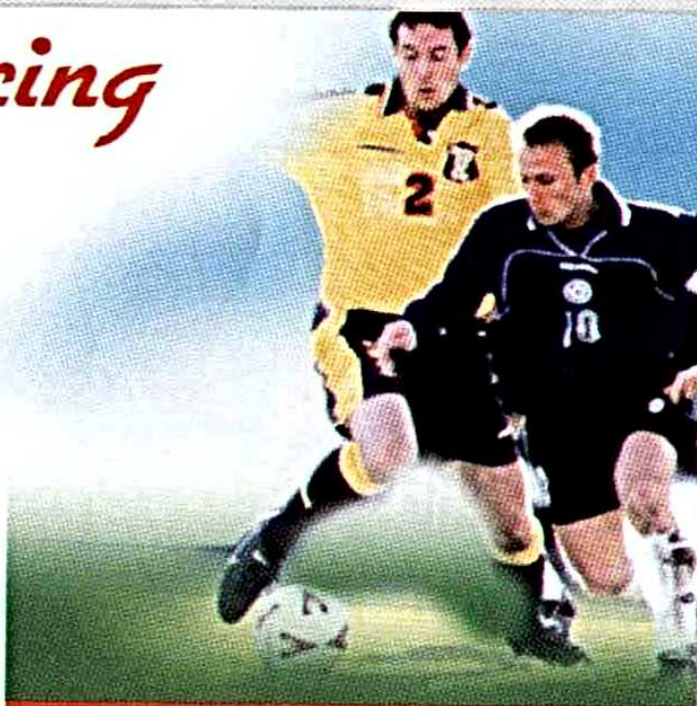
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The first leg of the Play-off semi-final at Wigan saw the home side get off to a flying start. A goal in only the second minute was followed by a second thirteen minutes later, the ball bouncing off the body of Fraser Digby to allow Bobby Campbell to score. With just 20 minutes remaining it looked as though Swindon would be facing an uphill task in the second leg. Then Peter Coyne's pass found Jimmy Quinn and although his shot was blocked, it broke loose to Dave Bamber who made no mistake. Quinn himself got on the score sheet with a header as Town's fitness (a hall mark of the Macari era) began to tell. Then Coyne, rejected by Wigan as a teenager, put Swindon 3-2 up in the closing minutes, heading in a Mark Jones cross. A 0-0 draw in the second leg saw Swindon through to the final.

At this time the final was not played at Wembley but over two legs instead and Town faced Gillingham in the final. Swindon's third place finish meant that the first leg was played at Gillingham and the only goal of the game came from the home side with just eight minutes remaining. A debatable free kick was awarded against Mark Jones for handball and the resultant shot was driven through the Town wall by David Smith. One goal is not too much to pull back but when Karl Elstrey volleyed home in the 17th minute of the second leg, Swindon's task began to look daunting. When a Steve White header struck the bar with Kite beaten, it began to seem as though it would not be Town's night. However, after 61 minutes, Peter Coyne wriggled through to shoot home and with just 10 minutes remaining, a left footer from 20 yards by Charlie Henry took the tie to a decider at Selhurst Park. Two goals by 'Chalkie' White were to take Town back to Division Two after 13 years. Steve's first came after just two minutes when he raced on to Phil King's free kick. The second came just after the hour, a looping ball from Dave Bamber was chested down by White who rode two tackles before striking a beautiful reverse angle shot. In the words of the Adver, "White lightning sends Town up."



It was a disappointing season for Bury who finished 16th in the old Third Division. The Cup brought little more cheer with a 5-1 hammering in the first Round of the FA competition. Although they managed a 2-1 aggregate win over Bolton in the Littlewoods Cup, a goalless draw at Crystal Palace seemed to offer hope of further progress. Unfortunately, they lost out at Gigg Lane by the only goal of the tie. Peter Valentine was ever present at the heart of the defence, but the side was never a settled one and Andy Hill was the only other player to top forty League starts.



ROBINS CHIEF DENIES FULL SCALE SALE

Bristol City chairman John Laycock has insisted that the Robins will not be selling their best young stars. Liam Rosenior is training with Chelsea and is planning to undergo a trial spell at West Ham, which has sparked fears among supporters that the club plan to raise funds by selling their best young stars. "For whatever reasons, Liam feels his career would be further advanced if he were to go somewhere else and we wouldn't wish to stand in his way," said Laycock. "I understand he is having trials at West Ham and Chelsea, but he remains our player in the meantime and has only just begun a three-year contract. We value Liam extremely highly. He is one of our best prospects, but clearly he sees his future elsewhere."

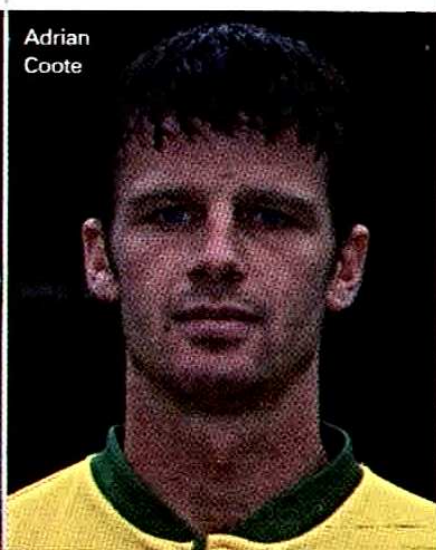
SEASIDERS CLINCH WALKER SIGNING

Blackpool have completed the signing of Aston Villa striker Richard Walker for £50,000 after the 24-year-old turned down a move to Wycombe. Walker had spent a loan spell at Adams Park this season, but he has instead opted to move to Bloomfield Road, where he was on loan at the end of last season. Steve McMahon still has money to spend from the deal that took Brett Ormerod to Southampton, and Walker is unlikely to be the only new recruit. After agreeing a two-and-a-half-year deal Walker told Villa's official club website: "In a way it was a tough decision to make, because I've had some great times at Villa. This is a massive club. But I'm at the stage of my career where I need first-team football."

U'S BOSS GETS CITY'S COOTE

Colchester United boss Steve Whitton has finally tied up a deal that brings Norwich City forward, Adrian Coote, to Layer Road. The U's have broken their transfer record to bring the Canaries striker to the second division club.

The capture of Coote, a 23-year-old Northern Ireland international, makes up for the collapse of deals to bring Kevin Nugent and Liam George to the club. U's boss Whitton told the club's official website: "We are delighted to get Adrian after what has been a long chase. We've been tracking him for some time, and I've known about him for several years, but the time was right to make a move for him. He's a tall lad and gives us a different option from the strikers we currently have."





HOLLOWAY WANTS WINGER

QPR boss Ian Holloway is hoping to strengthen his squad with the signing of a player from a Premiership side. The Second Division outfit are looking to capture Arsenal's orthodox winger Jerome Thomas on loan. Holloway watched the 18-year-old (who has starred for England's youth side) in a reserve game on Monday and admits that he needs an out and out wide player on his books. He said: "We are getting the right blend but we don't have any natural wingers. We need a player to get the ball in to our strikers." Ian Holloway's squad has been plagued by injury for much of the season and he has missed, in particular, Oliver Burgess. The winger was injured in the game against Town at Loftus Road.

REEVES WINGS IN TO OLDHAM

Chesterfield have had their transfer embargo lifted and the Spireites have wasted no time in bolstering their squad with the double raid on second division rivals Oldham Athletic. Mark Allott and Mark Innes have both signed for the Derbyshire club on free transfers, whilst the Latics have taken David Reeves on loan from Chesterfield. The veteran striker has signed on a month's loan for Mick Wadsworth's side with a view to a permanent move. Reeves, brother of Town defender Alan, has netted almost 200 goals in a career spanning 15 years with nine different clubs, including Sheffield Wednesday, Burnley, Scunthorpe United and Notts County. Town will remember him for his early strike against Town in the Spireites 4-0 victory over us at Saltergate earlier in the year.

ROYALS WHITBREAD INJURY SCARE

Reading central defender Adrian Whitbread has been ruled out until the New Year after aggravating a knee injury in training. The Royals stopper is to visit a specialist this week in order to discover the extent of the damage, which could mean a long-term spell on the sidelines, depending on what is revealed. "We don't know how bad the injury is," said Reading boss Alan Pardew. "He had this problem 14 months ago at Portsmouth, but we're hoping it's not serious." The loss of Whitbread has come on top of the recent news that another former Town defender, Adrian Viveash, is out of action for a month because of a groin injury. Both injuries come at a time when the Berkshire club are looking to push for promotion.

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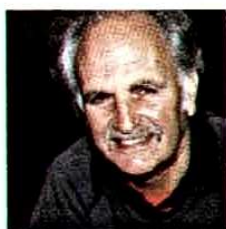
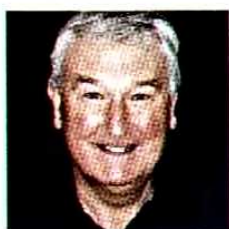
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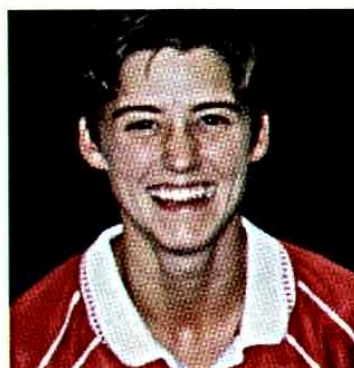
As we approach the end of the year, Town's Ladies look back on a successful season as they occupy top spot of the South West Combination League.

Town are one point clear of second placed Portsmouth, with both sides having played eleven games. The two sides met and it was Town who took the points, winning by two goals to one. The encounter on the South Coast later in the season is bound to be closely fought, whilst the outcome may have some bearing on who keeps top spot. In third place, with the same number of games played is Bristol City, who are three points behind Town. We have yet to meet City, but last season both games were drawn. I saw them recently play Bristol Rovers in the AXA Women's FA Cup and they are a hard working team, with several outstanding players. In fourth place is Cardiff City who Town beat by four goals to one. Town scored four in the first half but the Welsh side came back in the second half, but could only manage one goal in return. The two sides met in the AXA Women's FA Cup in the first round and City got their revenge, winning by four goals to three. The only sides to take points off the Town so far are fifth placed Newton Abbot (who drew with us 2-2 in the first game of the season) and old rivals, Reading Royals, who also shared four goals. Town have already completed the double over Southampton however, winning 9-0 at home and 6-2 away. Although Town had an early exit from the FA Cup they have progressed in the Ambassador South West Combination League Cup, beating Reading Royals by five goals to two. Town's Reserves have also had a good start to the season and are challenging for honours in the Wiltshire County League. They have only lost one game so far. Neither side is playing at present due to the Christmas break.

South West Combination League 2001/2002

League Table Dec 13 2001

Team	pld	w	d	l	f	a	gd	pts
Swindon T.	11	9	2	0	47	13	+34	29
Portsmouth	11	9	1	1	36	7	+29	28
Bristol City	11	8	2	1	31	13	+18	26
Cardiff City	9	5	1	2	34	16	+18	16
Newton Abbot	10	4	1	5	24	28	-4	13
Reading Ladies	12	3	3	6	24	39	-15	12
Clevedon/SBW	11	2	5	4	16	16	0	11
Plymouth A	8	3	1	4	17	24	-7	10
Reading Royals	8	2	3	3	19	17	2	9
Yeovil Town	10	3	0	7	18	26	-8	9
Cheltenham T	11	3	0	8	21	38	-17	9
Southampton	12	1	1	10	12	53	-41	4



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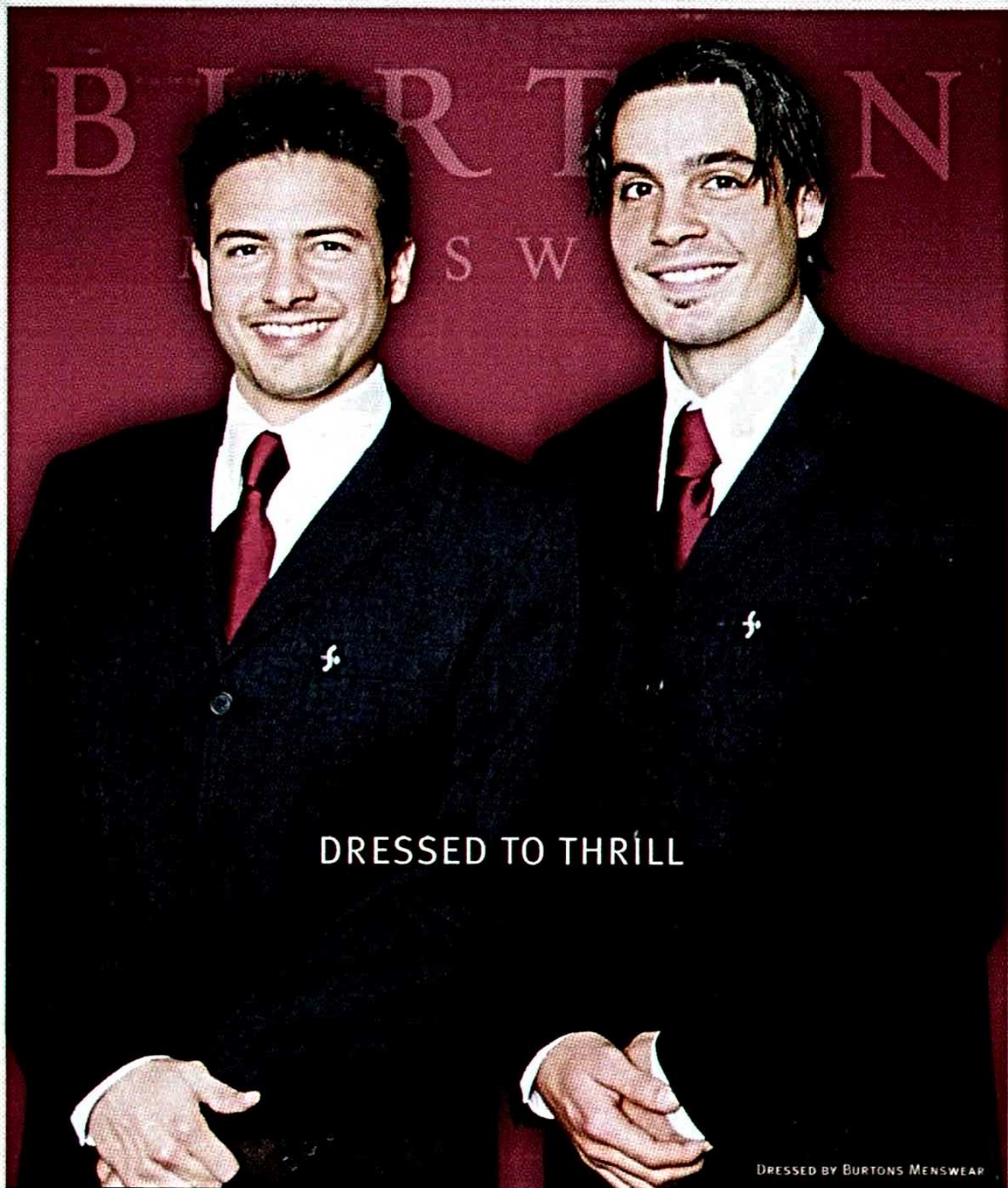
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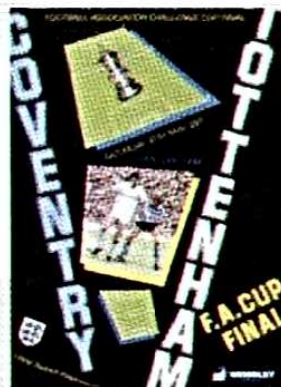
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The end-to-end, attacking game was decided when McGrath crossed and Gary Mabbutt put into his own net for the game's second own-goal. Coventry's collection of veterans and journeymen pros had triumphed over the London glamour of Spurs in a game to remember.



Keith Houchen lifts the cup

THE PROGRAMME - By 1987 Wembley Stadium, the producers of Cup Final and International programmes, were favouring brochure-sized issues, and there was plenty of gloss and colour in the £2 programme which sported a high gloss light card cover. The 60 large pages gave ample scope for expansive features on the clubs and the occasion, and there is no doubt that modern Wembley programmes of this style are fitting souvenirs of major football matches. Contents included Cup Final memories by Kenneth Wolstenholme, players from both squads describing their musical tastes, a feature on Cardiff's FA Cup victory sixty years earlier, and extensive coverage of the competing clubs, their players and route to the final.

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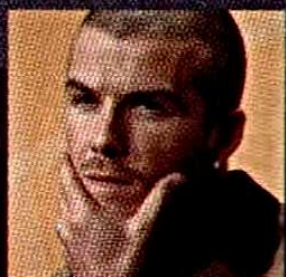


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January

On the same day that Arsenal's demolition of Liverpool at Highbury makes all the headlines, Swindon thump Bristol City to seriously dent their rivals, promotion hopes. The next weekend Arsenal are brought back down to earth in a fiery encounter at Elland Road and when Liverpool grab a point at Old Trafford on the following Wednesday, the Premiership title race is wide open once again.

February

Robbie Fowler scores a hat-trick to sink Liverpool at Elland Road but fires blanks when he links up with his former team-mate Michael Owen for England. Sven Goran Eriksson's men are totally outclassed by Holland and the country's odds for the World Cup lengthen as a result. Back-to-back wins against Galatasaray refuel Liverpool's assault on Europe, but even Gerard Houllier's return to the Anfield hot-seat cannot stop the domestic rot. Meanwhile in the Second Division, Swindon recover from two goals down to secure a share of the spoils against Reading.

March

After Town continue their revival with a remarkable win over top-of-the-table Brentford, Manchester United and Liverpool secure their passages to the Champions League quarter-finals. Meanwhile, north of the border, the season's final Old Firm clash is marred by a 21-man brawl after a horrifying Barry Ferguson seriously injures Henrik Larsson at Ibrox. England's odds for World Cup joy shorten immediately, but drift once again after Italy run riot in a friendly at Elland Road.

April

Swindon make fools of Stoke City on April 1 and after triple-marking Bobby Zamora, battle for a 0-0 draw with Brighton a fortnight later. Meanwhile, Arsenal's victory at Old Trafford the same weekend puts the north London side four points clear at the top of the Premiership. Liverpool fall to the might of Real Madrid in the Champions League, but Alex Ferguson guides his United side to the final in Glasgow.

May

On the last day of the Premiership season, Ipswich's victory at Anfield enables George Burley's side to complete the great escape. Arsenal wrap up the Premiership but lose a dull FA Cup Final to Manchester United, whose City rivals bit the dust in Round Three. Real Madrid run riot in the Champions League final in Glasgow, easing into a 3-0 lead through Zidane, Raul and Morientes. But four goals in the last five minutes from Ole Gunnar Solskjaer hand United the oversized trophy.

June

Owen twangs a hamstring as England open up their World Cup campaign with a goalless draw against Sweden, but David Beckham's late free-kick salvages a 1-1 draw with Argentina a few days later. Eriksson's men need only beat Nigeria to progress to the knockout stage of the tournament. A fabulous 4-0 triumph precedes victories over Turkey and Belgium and a semi-final rematch with Argentina. A heated battle winds up with both sides reduced to nine men after referee Pierluigi Collina sees red on four separate occasions, leaving just enough men to take part in the traditional high-octane, heartbreaking penalty shoot-out.

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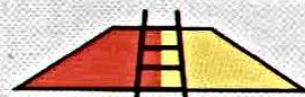


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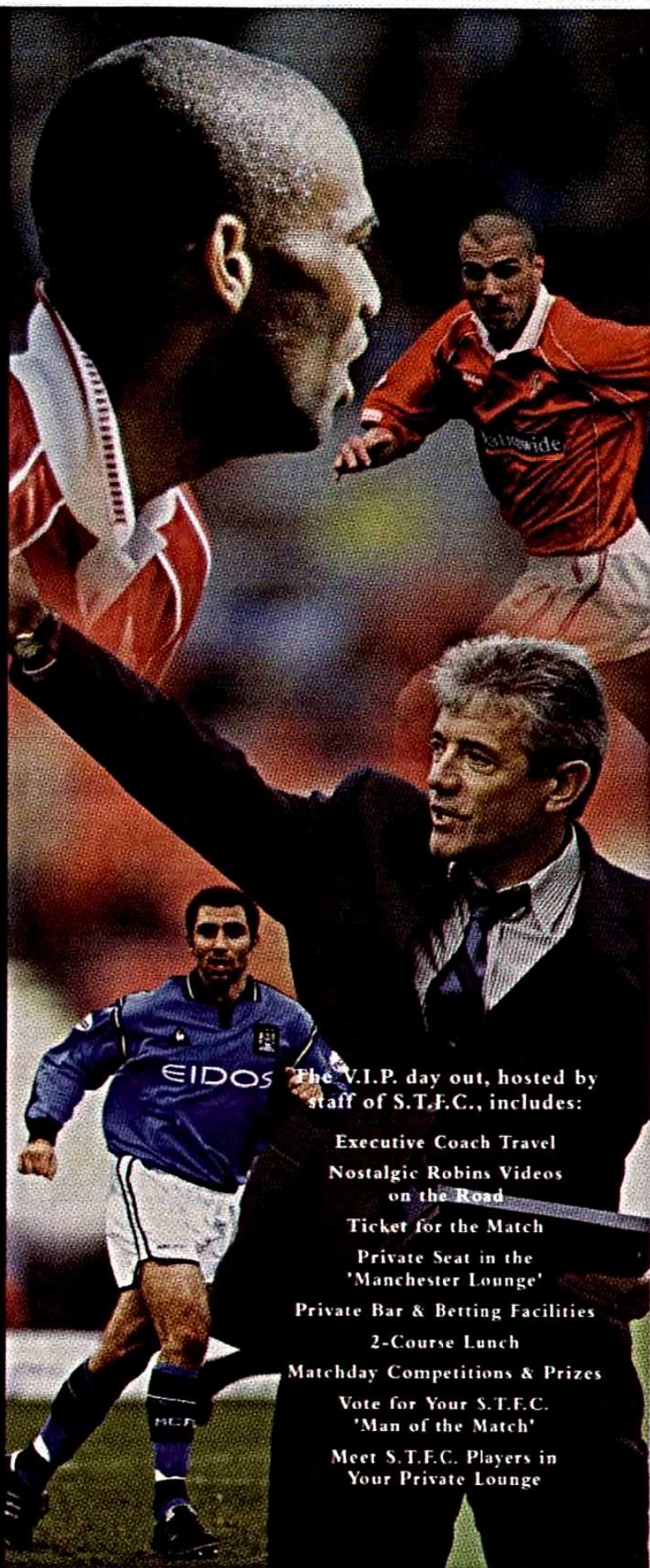
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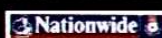


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We hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas and that we already have a few points in the bag.

Evening Advertiser "Robins Revival" Half time draw

We will have some catching up to do in the next notes as this will carry details of the winners not only for today, but also for Bournemouth and Hereford.

Don't forget, if you hold ticket number 920 sold at the Stoke game earlier in the season, you now have just three more days to claim your prize

The Supporters Club Christmas draw

We had to delay the draw following the postponement of the Huddersfield game, but it took place the following Thursday and the prize winners are (in no particular order!):

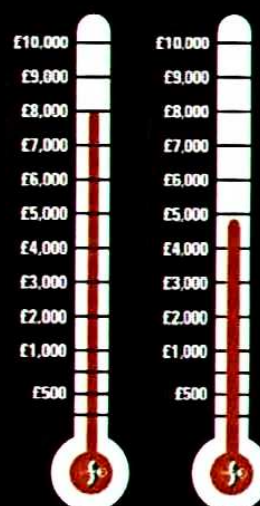
T. Ward (£100 Sainsbury's voucher, ticket number 2105), T. Partsi (£15 Sainsbury's voucher, 0218), W. Dunstan (£15 Sainsbury's voucher, 0521), K. Gopal (Boddingtons x24, 1590), J. Clark (Boddingtons x24, 0480), J. Varney

(Heineken x24, 1451), G. Farmer (Baileys, 1803), L. Walsh (Bells Whisky, 0044), P. Ploughman (Bells Whisky, 1747), S. Kenrick (Bells Whisky, 0313), S. Withey (Bells Whisky, 1565), H. Bather (Cadburys Roses, 0192), B. Fawcett (Cadburys Roses, 0571), W. Lawrence (Gordons Gin, 1014), C. Law (Bacardi, 0196), S. Collett (Bacardi, 0419), R. Brown (Carling x24, 0312), S. Wenham (Carling x24, 0495), J. Cleave (Carling x24, 0643), M. Pearson (Vodka, 1679), R. Young (Vodka, 1623), C. Alder (Celebrations, 0030), W. Dunstan (Celebrations, 1690), J. Drake (Fox Biscuits, 2507), R. Pike (Fox Biscuits, 1109), L. Nelson (Croft Original, 1026), A. Thompson (Croft Original, 1419), C. Weavers (Cadbury's Biscuit Barrel, 1493), R. Robertshaw (Cadbury's Biscuit Barrel, 1691), E. Dunstan (Cadbury's Biscuits, 0528), D. George (Cadbury's Biscuits, 0478), A. Smith (Black Magic, 1316), A. Taylor (Dairy Box, 0014), T. Newan (Terry's All Gold, 1039), Steve (Terry's All Gold, 0083), G. Tomlin (Terry's All Gold, 1438), C. Alder (Liebfraumilch, 0031), R. Dunstan (Liebfraumilch, 0524), M. Vernon (Liebfraumilch, 1730),

D. Higgins (Liebfraumilch, 1315).

Finally...

May we wish all supporters a Happy New Year. Providing fans continue to support the Football Club, we are sure it will have a more prosperous and stable future. Mike Spearman.





Celia Bishop lives in Letcombe Regis near Wantage and watches Town's home games from the Nationwide stand.

TALK OF THE TERRACES

FIRST HOME MATCH SEEN?

I started attending matches with my dad in 1960

FAVOURITE PLAYER OF ALL TIME?

Don Rogers

WHICH PLAYER WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE BACK IN A TOWN SHIRT?

Colin Calderwood

FAVOURITE PLAYER IN PRESENT TEAM?

David Duke

MOST MEMORABLE HOME MATCH?

Interestingly enough against Bury, when we won 8-0!

MOST MEMORABLE AWAY MATCH?

At St. Andrews as we beat Birmingham 6-4 (we were 4-1 down)

BIGGEST MOAN/GRIPE?

Once again its the PA system in the Nationwide stand

FAVOURITE TOWN STORY?

Beating Leicester at Wembley

ODDEST TOWN STORY?

Being filmed by Sky during a minutes silence in 1993/1994

FAVOURITE GOAL?

Steve White's in the play-off final against Gillingham.

MOST SATISFYING WIN LAST SEASON?

Oxford away, winning 2-0.

PREDICTION FOR THIS YEAR?

mid table

Steward Award

FOR STFC'S STEWARDS

STFC has been awarded a new award for its Stewarding. The new award (The Football Stewarding Qualification) was created by The Football League, The Football Association and the FA Premier League. It's designed to provide a national standard in the training of stewards carried out at football clubs. The initiative has been developed in consultation with the Football Licensing Authority and the Football Safety Officer's Association, with financial support provided by the Football Foundation.

The scheme was launched in September 1999, when clubs were given details of the criteria they would need to satisfy in order to qualify for the award. The national Verification Manager visits clubs seeking the award to examine arrangements for the training and assessment of their stewards. The award is only presented to clubs who meet the strict criteria.

Swindon Town is the latest club to achieve the accolade and the award will be presented before our next home game against Bristol City on Sunday January 13, 2002. Rob McRobbie, who will present the award, said: "Everyone involved in the training process at Swindon Town Football Club can be proud in receiving the prestigious accreditation".

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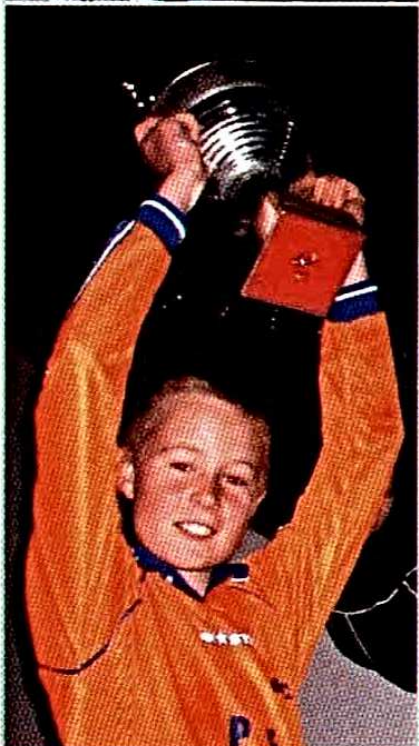
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BUILDING BRIDGES

SWINDON TOWN IN THE COMMUNITY

This week we have included a picture special. The photographs, sent in by Tony Woolhouse, were taken after the six-a-side final in which Wroughton Junior School beat Liden Junior School 3-1.



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HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM STFC'S STUDY CENTRES

THIS WEEK **25** YEARS AGO WITH DAVE WALLIS

On December 29 1976, 17 League matches were postponed due to the weather. New Year's Day 1977 saw Town's home match against second placed Brighton abandoned after 67 minutes due to a waterlogged pitch. Similarly, Bury's game at Sheffield Wednesday was re-arranged for later in the year. Three days later, frost prevented Town's evening game at Tranmere starting, referee Colin Seel calling the game off an hour before kick-off. All around the country games became victims of the weather as the fixture backlog increased. On January 4 1977, Manchester United legend, Pat Crerand, resigned as manager of Northampton after just five months in charge.

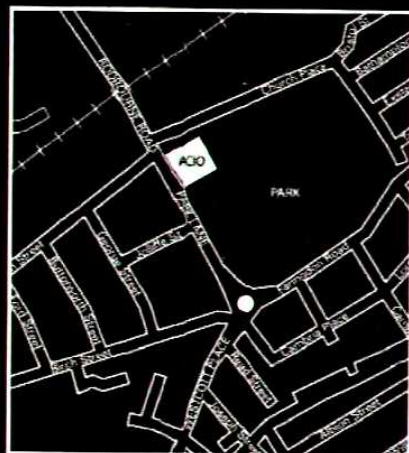
During the whole of December '76 and January '77, Bury scored just four goals. Three of the goal-scorers subsequently joined Swindon. One was Billy Tucker.

Q1) The second scorer made 280 League appearances for Town between 1978 and 1985. Who was he?

Q2) The third came to the County Ground via QPR and made 89 appearances here. Who?

Q3) All three were brought to the County Ground by a previous Shaker's manager. Who was this?

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MAKE IT YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION!

Your response to our appeal for pictures this season has been fantastic. Since the opening day of the season we have received a large number of pictures of Town fans on holiday, but we still want more! If you have anything that you think may be of interest to the rest of us 'Townies'; birthdays, stories or anything else you would like to see on your page, then send them in to us. The address to send them to is Dunwoody Sports Marketing, The Litten, Newtown Road, Newbury, RG14 7BB or alternatively you can email me, nick.ju@d-mc.co.uk.

GOAL OF THE YEAR

We are giving one lucky Town fan the chance to win a signed STFC shirt by simply voting for your favourite Town goal in 2001.

The lucky winner will also present the goalscorer with a commemorative prize on the County Ground pitch before Town's game with Bristol City (January 13).

All you have to do to stand a chance of winning the signed shirt, is choose your favourite goal from the shortlist of ten below, and send your decision into us here at STFC. The goal that receives the most votes wins, and one winner will be plucked from those that vote for that goal. You can send your nominations by post (marked goal of the year competition) to: Dunwoody Sports Marketing, The Litten, Newtown Road, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 7BB or by e-mail, nick.ju@d-mc.co.uk. Good luck!

1. McAreevey v Oldham, Mar 6.

An impressive run that was finished off superbly on the Irishman's return to the side.

2. S Robinson v Oxford, Mar 10.

A rare goal from 'Turbo', but his volley from 25 yards rounded off a fantastic performance against Town's local rivals, Oxford United.

3. Invincible v P'borough, Apr 28.

A volley that looked to have rolled off his shin, yet reached the top corner anyway in the ninetieth minute.

4. Howe v Wolves, Aug 22.

A spectacular long-range effort against Wolves in the 1st round of the Worthington Cup.

5. Duke v Bury, Aug 27.

A superb run, beating three players was calmly slotted home on this Bank Holiday Monday.

6. 'Razor' v Colchester, Sep 1.

Having put most of his practice efforts in the bush in training, Razor managed this 30-yard free-kick effort on his home debut.

7. Graz v Cambridge, Oct 24.

A spectacular goal from Town's joint top scorer, a fantastic volley at the death against Cambridge.

8. Carlisle v Wycombe, Oct 27.

Town's on-loan Irishman fired in a long range effort to give us the lead at Adams Park.

9. Sabin v Brighton, Nov 24.

A cool finish following Carlisle's good work on the left, this was Sabin's long-awaited first goal in the red and white.

10. P Edwards v Hereford, Dec 8.

Edwards' first goal for the club and at a crucial stage in the game. A neat bit of skill was followed by an impressive left foot shot.



Quick Quiz answers
Guess who? Alan Young

REAL FANS



NEW RECRUIT!

Shaun Moffatt and his two sons, Sean and David, are pictured here with Goofy at Animal Kingdom in October.

While his two sons were enjoying the day, Dad was trying to recruit the comedy character for the Robins claiming he would fit right in the Town's defence. 'Outrageous', we cried but Shaun believes that he would make a great utility player for the Town pointing out that his height would give him an advantage up front or at the back. His big feet would be great for tackling in the midfield and due to the size of his hands, he might even give the Bartman a run for his money between the sticks.

GUESS WHO?

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

1. He is Town's shortest player
2. He scored in the FA Cup last year against Ilkeston
3. He has been suffering from a nasty ankle injury for sometime
4. Not the oldest player in the world
5. He returned to action for the reserves last week



with George Chadwick

JUNIOR ROBINS

A big warm welcome to today's match to our Junior Robins.

Before I start, may I wish all of our Junior Robins a Happy New Year. It will be interesting to see how the lads react to Roy Evans' departure last week. Nonetheless, let's hope for a win today against Bury.

Apologies once again for not being able to arrange a Christmas Disco for you this year, but we are sending out a letter to all of you very soon regarding a Disco in February. Please reply as soon as you can.

Our next reciprocal ticket match is against Notts County, December 21, which is on a Friday night.

Julie is again recruiting for the Robinettes. If you are between the ages of 12-16 and you feel you would like to be part of Julie's dedicated team please ring her on 01793 763349.

Finally, if you would like to be our Mascot (the package includes a replica kit, chance to meet and lead the players and much more), please ring George on 01672 520679.

If you are interested in joining, then contact Swindon Town's Soccer Centre co-ordinator, Jimmy Fraser, on 01793 333724



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SOCCER CENTRES WITH JIMMY FRASER



There are still some spaces available on our centres for next year, so if anyone is still interested in joining them, then please call me, Jimmy Fraser at the club on 01793 644724, or pop in and see me at the club. Soccer Centre members are reminded that they have just five days until December 31 to obtain their 10% discount off Town's new third kit as modelled by Matty Heywood.

SWINDON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SOCCER CENTRES

OASIS (Swindon Borough)

Monday 5.00 - 6.00 pm 5-10 years
Saturday 9.00 - 10.00 am 5-8 years
10.00 - 11.00 am 5-8 years

HIGHWORTH (Swindon Borough)

Tuesday 4.00 - 5.00 pm 5-6 years
5.00 - 6.00 pm 5-8 years
Thursday 5.00 - 6.00 pm 8-11 years

HAYDON CENTRE (Swindon Borough)

Thursday 4.00 - 5.00 pm 5-6 years
5.00 - 6.00 pm 7-8 years
6.00 - 7.00 pm 9-11 years

MALMESBURY ACTIVITY ZONE (new)

Monday 4.00 - 5.00 pm 5 & 6 years
Monday 5.00 - 6.00 pm 7 & 8 years

STRATTON

Monday 3.30 - 4.30 PM 6-7 years
4.30 - 5.30 PM 9-11 years
Tuesday 3.30 - 4.30 PM 5-6 years
4.30 - 5.30 PM 9-10 years
Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 PM 7-8 years
4.30 - 5.30 PM 8-9 years
Friday 3.30 - 4.30 PM 5-6 years

LINK CENTRE (Swindon Borough)

Monday 4.30 - 5.30 pm 5-6 years
5.30 - 6.30 pm 8-11 years
Thursday 4.30 - 5.30 pm 5 years
5.30 - 6.30 pm 7-8 years

MARLBOROUGH

Wednesday 3.30 - 4.00 pm 5-7 years
4.00 - 5.00 pm 7-9 years
5.00 - 6.00 pm 9-12 years

RIDGEWAY LEISURE CENTRE

Wednesday 5.00 - 6.00 pm 5-7 years
6.00 - 7.00 pm 8-11 years

CRICKLADE LEISURE CENTRE

Wednesday 5.30 - 6.30 pm 9-11 years

BAMPTON

Friday 5.00 - 6.00 pm 7,8 & 9 years
6.00 - 7.00 pm 10-11 years

TIDWORTH (new)

Friday 4.00 - 5.00 pm 5-6 years
5.00 - 6.00 pm 7-8 years
6.00 - 7.00 pm 9-11 years

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Goals Info:



Where



6 Goals



10 Goals



7 Goals

How

Shots.....14
Headers.....1
Volleys.....5
Penalties.....2
Free Kicks.....1
O.G.s.....0

Top Scorers

Grazioli.....6
Invisible.....4
O'Halloran.....2
Duke.....2
Sabin.....2
Osei-Kuffour.....2

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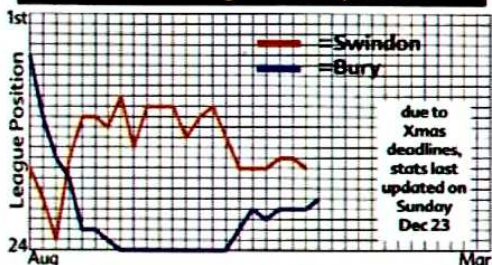
Highest Gate
8,830
vs Brighton
Lowest Gate
4,127
vs Wrexham
Average Gate
6,368
Players Used 24
Clean Sheets 7
Failed to Score
9
Consec. Wins
2 games
Consec. Defeats
3 games

Robins' Last 10

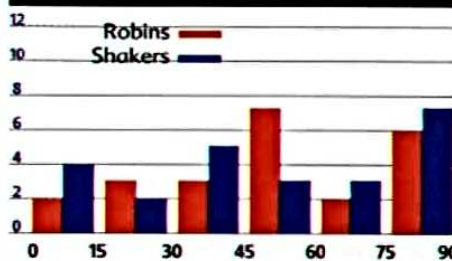
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W	Wrexham	H	22nd
S	Brighton	H	1st
L	QPR	A	14th
L	Blackpool	A	15th
L	Stoke	H	3rd
S	Wycombe	A	6th
W	Cambridge	H	20th
L	Cardiff	H	17th

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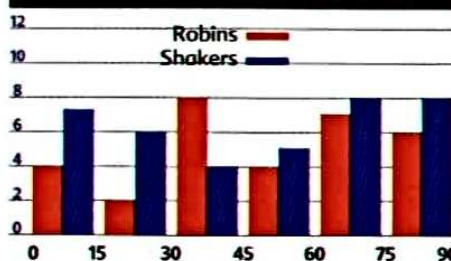
Seasonal Progress Comparison



When Goals have been Scored



When Goals have been Conceded



Guiliano Grazioli (Swindon)



5 games
4 games
1 game
0 games

Total Games Scored In
Games Scored 1 Goal
Games Scored 2 Goals
Hat-tricks

W>L.....0 (0pts)
W>D.....1 (2pts)
D>L.....2 (2pts)

3 games
5 games

Maximum scoring run
Maximum Dry Spell

3
0
3
0
0

Shot
Header
Volleyed Shot
Penalty
Direct free Kick

Swindon Goals.....23
Swindon Games.....22
Swindon's Goal Ave.....1.05

Gareth Seddon (Bury)



3 games
2 games
1 game
0 games

W>L.....1 (3pts)
W>D.....1 (2pts)
D>L.....0 (0pts)

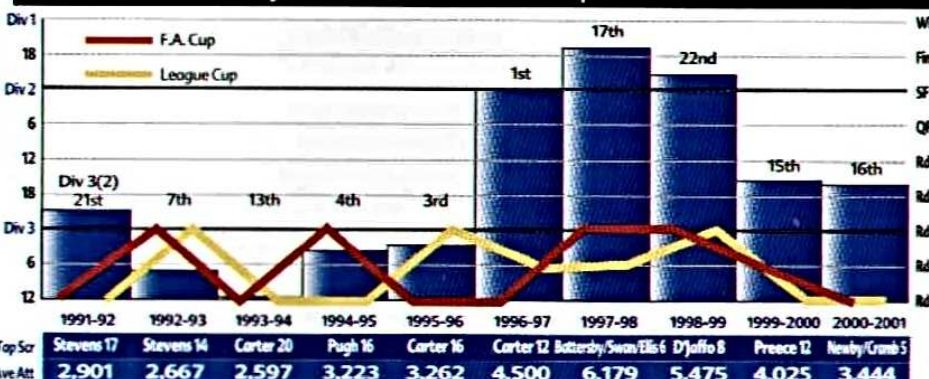
1 game
10 games

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0

Goals.....4
Games.....19
Average.....0.21

Bury Goals.....24
Bury Games.....23
Bury's Goal Ave.....1.04

Bury's Last 10 Years - The Complete Record



Goals Info:



Where



9 Goals



11 Goals



4 Goals

How

Shots.....12
Headers.....5
Volleys.....4
Penalties.....3
Free Kicks.....0
O.G.s.....0

Top Scorers

Seddon.....4
Reid.....3
Newby.....3
Jarrett.....2
Singh.....2
Lawson.....2
Borley.....2

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Tuesday 1 January, ITV Sport Select

Manchester Utd v Newcastle Utd

Wednesday 2 January, Sky Sports 1

Cardiff City v Leeds United

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Scored goal

Scored two goals

Caution

Sent off

Sub not used

Sub used (time)

Player replaced (time)

Date	Time	Opponents	Attn	Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Sat Aug 11	(H) 3.00pm	Sheff Wed	1,386	0-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Aug 18	(A) 3.00pm	Bristol City	13,818	1-3	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Wed Aug 22	(A) 7.45pm	Wolves	7,598	2-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Aug 25	(H) 3.00pm	Doncaster	5,276	0-2	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Mon Aug 27	(A) 3.00pm	Bury	3,202	3-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Sep 1	(H) 3.00pm	Doncaster	4,099	1-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Sep 8	(A) 3.00pm	Bournemouth	3,770	0-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Tue Sep 11	(A) 7.45pm	West Brom	14,536	0-2	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Sep 15	(H) 3.00pm	Tranmere Rovers	5,922	2-2	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Tue Sep 18	(A) 7.45pm	Port Vale	3,737	2-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Sep 22	(A) 3.00pm	Chesterfield	4,275	0-4	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Tue Sep 25	(H) 7.45pm	Blackpool	5,158	2-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Sep 29	(A) 3.00pm	Northampton Town	5,104	1-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Oct 13	(A) 3.00pm	Reading	14,389	3-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Tue Oct 16	(A) 7.45pm	Colchester	1,251	0-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Oct 20	(A) 2.30pm	Doncaster	4,370	0-3	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Wed Oct 24	(H) 7.45pm	Cardiff City	4,492	2-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Oct 27	(A) 3.00pm	Wycombe Ws	7,127	1-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Nov 3	(H) 3.00pm	Sheff Wed	1,981	0-3	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Nov 10	(A) 3.00pm	Blackpool	5,018	0-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Nov 17	(H) 3.00pm	Doncaster	4,186	3-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Wed Nov 21	(A) 7.45pm	QPR	8,847	0-4	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Nov 24	(H) 3.00pm	Barnsley	7,876	1-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Tue Nov 27	(H) 7.45pm	Sheff Wed	4,722	3-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Dec 1	(A) 3.00pm	Wigan Ath	5,635	0-1	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Dec 8	(H) 7.45pm	Sheff Wed	1,980	3-2	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Fri Dec 11	(A) 7.45pm	Notts County	4,197	1-3	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Mon Dec 16	(H) 3.00pm	Blackpool	4,752	0-0	GREMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	NEWLETT	WILLIS	GURNEY	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	GRAZIOU	DUKE	COSGROVE	SABIN	
Sat Dec 22	(H) 3.00pm	Barnsley															
Sat Dec 29	(A) 3.00pm	Colchester Utd															
Sat Jan 5	(A) 3.00pm	Manchester City															
Sat Jan 12	(H) 2.30pm	Sheff Wed															
Wed Jan 16	(A) 7.45pm	Oldham Athletic															
Sat Jan 19	(A) 3.00pm	Peterborough Utd															
Sat Jan 26	(H) 3.00pm	Sheff Wed															
Sat Jan 26	(A) 1.00pm	Wrexham															
Sat Feb 2	(H) 3.00pm	Sheff Wed															
Sat Feb 9	(A) 3.00pm	Cardiff City															
Sat Feb 16	(H) 3.00pm	Sheff Wed															
Fri Feb 22	(A) 7.45pm	Tranmere Rovers															
Tue Feb 26	(H) 7.45pm	Sheff Wed															
Sat Mar 2	(H) 3.00pm	Port Vale															
Tue Mar 5	(A) 7.45pm	Brentford															
Sat Mar 9	(A) 3.00pm	Huddersfield Town															
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															
Sat Apr 19	(H) 3.00pm	Sheff Wed															
Sat Apr 26	(H) 3.00pm	Wycombe Ws															
Sat May 4	(H) 3.00pm	Sheff Wed															
Stats	(H) Huddersfield Town																



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



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Andy King

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
Giuliano Grazioli	10
David Duke	11
Juan Cobian	12
Eric Sabin	14
Richard McKinney	15
Neil Ruddock	16
Daniel Invincible	17
Berti Brayley	18
Matthew Heywood	19
Paul Edwards	20
Gareth Davies	21
Alan Reeves	22
Wayne Carlisle	23
Steve Robinson	25
Alan Young	26
Paul McAreavey	27
Nathan Edwards	28
James Williams	29
Kevin Halliday	31



BURY

Manager

Andy Preece

Glynn Garner	1
Matthew Barras	2
Chris Armstrong	3
Danny Swailes	4
Sam Collins	5
Lee Unsworth	6
Chris Billy	7
Martyn Forrest	8
Gareth Seddon	9
Matt Murphy	10
Paul Reid	11
Darren Bullock	12
Paddy Kenny	13
Bhaiching Bhutia	15
Steve Redmond	17
Andy Preece	18
Nicky Hill	20
Lee Connell	21
David Borley	22
Jason Jarrett	23
Michael Nelson	24
Edward Tarsus	25
George Clegg	28
Jon Newby	29
George Siros	30
Harpal Singh	31
Ian Lawson	32



Saturday 29th December 2001
kick-off 3.00pm

MATCH OFFICIALS

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 4th Official: R. P. Desmond

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TODAY'S FIXTURES

Sat Dec 29 2001/02

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



Division Two 2001/2002

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	GD	(as at 27/12/2001)
Brentford	24	13	6	5	47	27	45	+20	
Stoke	23	13	6	4	37	21	45	+16	
Brighton	23	12	9	2	32	17	45	+15	
Bristol C	25	13	5	7	38	24	44	+14	
Reading	23	12	4	7	33	24	40	+9	
Cardiff	24	9	11	4	37	27	38	+10	
Wycombe	23	10	8	5	35	28	38	+7	
Huddersfield	23	10	7	6	27	27	37	+10	
QPR	24	10	7	7	34	27	37	+7	
Oldham	24	9	9	6	40	29	36	+11	
Tranmere	23	10	6	7	44	34	36	+10	
Colchester	24	10	5	9	41	39	35	+2	
Blackpool	24	7	9	8	30	37	30	-7	
Wigan	24	7	8	9	34	31	29	+3	
Swindon	23	7	7	9	29	31	28	-8	
Peterborough	22	8	3	11	31	32	27	-1	
Port Vale	24	7	6	11	27	33	27	-6	
Bournemouth	24	7	6	11	26	34	27	-8	
Bury	24	7	5	12	26	39	26	-14	
Chesterfield	23	6	7	10	28	32	25	-4	
Notts Co	24	5	8	11	31	41	23	-10	
Wrexham	25	6	4	15	29	55	22	-26	
Cambridge	24	4	6	14	23	48	18	-25	
Northampton	24	5	2	17	23	48	17	-25	



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