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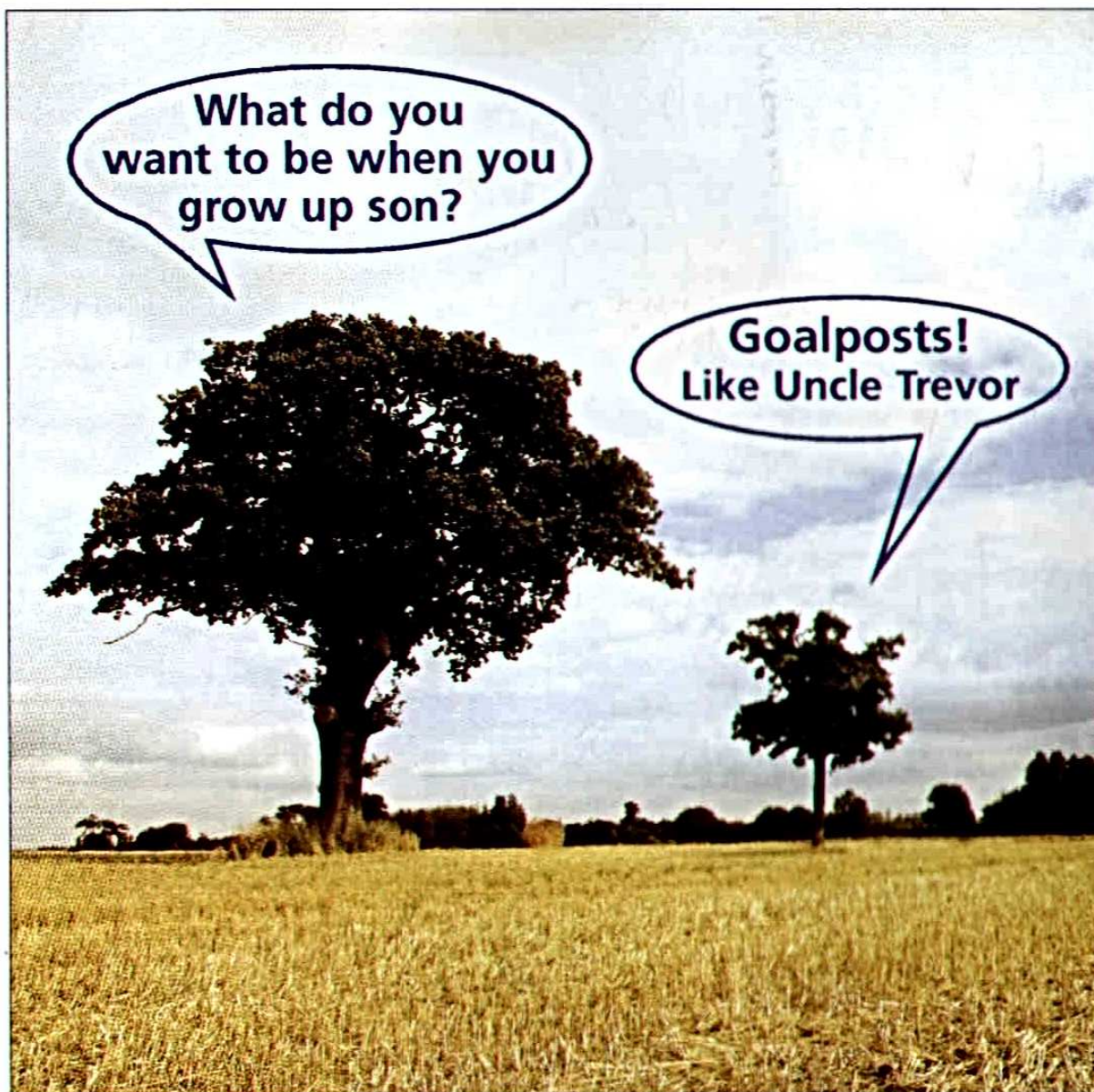


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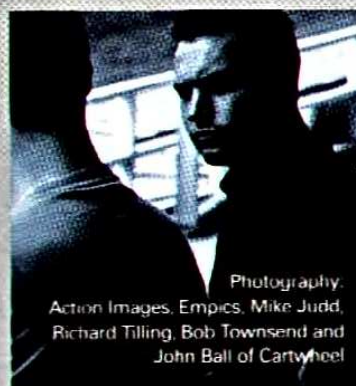
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EDITOR'S EYE

Last Saturday was a combination of ecstasy and agony for followers of STFC. Despite looking for three points at Wrexham, followers of the Robins of the Wiltshire variety breathed a huge sigh of relief when Alan Reeves popped up to head the equaliser to earn a crucial point. However, just hours earlier Town's youth team had been narrowly beaten at Ewood Park against Blackburn Rovers. A win against the Lancashire based side would have pitched us against the might of Arsenal, but unfortunately it's not to be. The lads must be applauded for a terrific adventure and as they say in the game, there's always next year.



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Today we entertain a Northampton side looking to add to their fantastic unbeaten record of three wins in four, including a magnificent 3-0 win at Meadow Lane on Tuesday night. Quite what Kevan Broadhurst has done to, what was, an ailing Northampton side I don't know, but to beat Bristol City, Brentford and Notts County is pretty impressive. I just hope that the old adage that 'all good things must come to end' rings true today and that we put some much-needed distance between the Cobblers and ourselves. Performances haven't been of the highest quality in recent weeks, but the main thing is that we haven't lost for four games (please don't let me tempt fate!). That must be encouraging for King and the lads and if we can win today (and maybe even on Tuesday) then it could be us that puts together a little run of our own (only nine points off the play-offs!).

Until next time, enjoy the issue and remember – you still have just under two weeks to let the other half know you won't be wining and dining on Valentines Day following the change in date of Town's clash against Reading (although we are publishing any messages you may wish to leave your loved one in that issue of the programme).

Nick Judd - Magazine Editor

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"FINALLY, MAY I CONGRATULATE THE LADS ON THEIR RECENT RUN OF THREE GAMES UNBEATEN IN THE LEAGUE"

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CARSON'S COLUMN

Good afternoon and a warm Wiltshire welcome to this afternoon's match against Northampton Town.

As I mentioned in my last programme notes (Notts County), Mike Sullivan has now come on board as Commercial Manager. He, along with Rob O'Carroll from the Marketing Department and Nick Prescott, club director, will be working on a number of new initiatives and ideas in order to generate much needed additional revenue. Like everything in life, nothing comes easy, but I believe the harder we all work, the easier those objectives become. It is important that, whilst we are going through some tough times at the moment, we continue to be positive in our mind and in our approach.

I am pleased to announce that already, the response to our forthcoming Sporting Club Dinner with Emyln Hughes (March 21) has been excellent. It is encouraging to see that the evening is to be sponsored by Greenhams who are based in Newbury and who also have branches in Southampton and Bristol. Their Managing Director, Mike King, has not only agreed to sponsor the evening, but he has also pledged another three tables for the night. That is the type of support that we need at the moment and I would like to thank Mike on behalf of the club for such good support.

I know there are still a few tables available for the evening, so why not give Mike or Rob a call on 01793 333700 now to find more details on how to make a reservation. These are excellent nights and I know already that plans are well advanced for the next sporting dinner scheduled for May. In the next programme (Huddersfield), I will tell you about the 'Company Open Day' that we have planned for March.

Finally, may I congratulate the lads on their recent run of three games unbeaten in the league. As you all know, we endured a pretty sticky patch around the turn of the New Year, but if we can continue in a similar vein, then I am sure we will climb the table. Last Saturday's result especially, despite earning just a point, showed tremendous spirit to come back from two goals down. Enjoy the game and let's hope for another three points this afternoon.

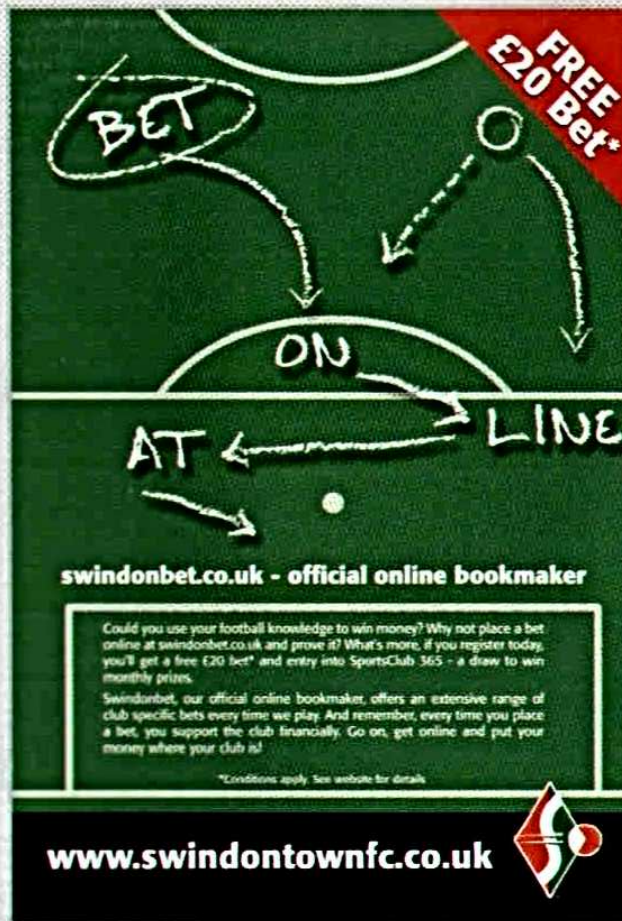


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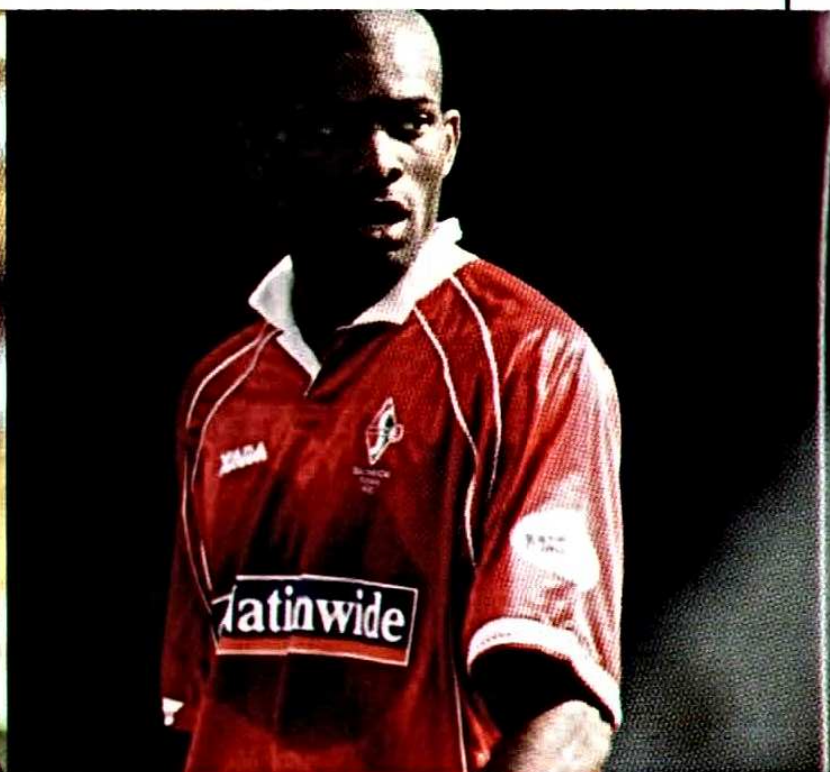


RALLYING CRY

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to the County Ground. After a disappointing run in which where we had drawn too many games, the lads travelled to Colchester and did exactly what was asked of them and got three points.

Since my return it has been a frustrating period in terms of results. If you cast your minds back to the Bournemouth game at home, we had a lot of chances to win the game and ended up settling for a point. That seems to have been the trend so far and it was nice to come away from Layer Road with all three points in the bag. It was thoroughly deserved too. After a rather slow start and having gone a goal down, we started the second half very positively and got the equaliser from the second penalty of the match. Eric Sabin had been a handful for Colchester's defence all night and he did magnificently well to earn the spot-kick and full marks to our stand-in skipper, Andy Gurney, who confidently put it away. Eric also got on the score sheet which was pleasing. He managed a goal at Peterborough two weeks ago and it is great to see him scoring goals on a regular basis.

Zarlink Semiconductor



Before the Colchester game I had asked the side to really go for it and show me what they can do. We have to play to our strengths and in Danny Invericible and Eric Sabin we have the two quickest players outside the Premiership, and barring Thierry Henry, possibly the Premiership as well. Arsenal play good football but they also use Henry's pace and play the ball over the top for him to chase, so why shouldn't we do that as well? I also asked them to not be afraid in front of goal and although we didn't trouble them much in the first half, their keeper had some work to do in the second half, which I'm pleased to say, included picking the ball out of his net on three occasions. I was as pleased and as surprised as anyone when Andy Gurney scored from thirty yards. I know some quick thinking in the past has caught us out, so it was great that we are now confident enough to try these things ourselves.

To be honest, I am not really bothered who gets the goals as long as we keep winning, but what the Colchester result does is that it makes it four games unbeaten and gives the lads that extra bit of confidence ahead of today's clash with Northampton. However, despite the victory, we still allowed our opponents to go ahead in the first period and that is something that has to stop.

At Wrexham, we were not at the races in the first half and subsequently went a goal down. Bart (Griemink), who has been in tremendous form in my opinion, kept us in the game with a fantastic penalty save and I said to the lads at half time, we're still in this. Unfortunately Wrexham scored a second early on, but then we went and showed the kind of form that I know we're capable and scored two.



CROZZER'S COLUMN

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

After two games on the road it's back to the County Ground as we face Northampton this afternoon. Unfortunately, these notes find you before Wednesday's trip to Layer Road, but I hope that we continued our unbeaten run of three games and maybe even closed the gap on Colchester with a win. Today's encounter is a big game for both sides. Northampton, having won three in the last four, are still a win away from coming out of the relegation zone, whilst we are still in the position where we want to pull away from the bottom four. The Cobblers are certainly enjoying a terrific run of form and last Tuesday, they scored three at Meadow Lane to win 3-0. We will certainly have to make sure we don't give them an advantage like we did at Wrexham last week. We found ourselves under a lot of pressure in the first half, but thankfully were still in the game following Bart's penalty save. It looked pretty ominous when we went two down, but the lads showed tremendous spirit to get a goal back immediately after conceding the second. 'Graz' could even have got another straight after. Thankfully, we got the point that I felt we deserved and we can now build on that this afternoon.

It could have been more too, with Eric coming close and Graz hitting the post. The same thing happened against Bristol City if you remember, we went two goals down (and even a man down) and then started to play. If we can just edge in front of a game, I am confident that we will always go on to win.

This afternoon we face another side in good form, Northampton Town, and may I take this opportunity to wish their management team, directors, players and supporters a safe journey home this evening after the game.

Northampton, having been in the bottom four for most of the season have picked up recently and have won three in the last four. They will be looking to extend that run this afternoon as they try and get out of the relegation zone, a task we know can be more difficult than it seems from our experience last year. Nevertheless, a win today and we really will have pulled away from the bottom and we can go into Tuesday night's game against Huddersfield confident of climbing the table.

STFC DIARY



19TH JAN



POSH POINT FOR TOWN AT LONDON ROAD

Andy King's side halted a disappointing run of three games without a point at Peterborough's London Road. Eric Sabin gave Town the lead as he struck home his third goal of the season before the visitors endured a sustained period of pressure, culminating in Jimmy Bullard's equaliser on just before the hour mark.

22ND JAN



MILDY'S MAGPIES LEAVE WILTSHIRE EMPTY HANDED

Both Darren Caskey and Paul Bolland missed guilt edged chances for the visitors before Invincible scored his seventh goal of the season in Town's 1-0 win over the Magpies. Having picked up the ball on the half way line, the Australian embarked on a driving run before unleashing a left-foot drive past Steve Mildenhall.

23RD JAN



BRADY APPEARANCE SPARKS TRANSFER SPECULATION

Terry Brady's (a former STFC chairman) appearance at Town's 1-0 victory over Notts County sparks off a number of rumours linking Town's players with a move to Portsmouth. Both Danny Invincible and Sol Davis were linked with the south-coast club before Andy King and STFC officials state that neither is for sale.

24TH JAN



GRASS ISN'T GREENER ON OTHER SIDE FOR BRAYLEY

Bertie Brayley returns to the County Ground having spent a short time with Southend. Brayley vowed he was leaving the club when Southend showed an interest. However, the former West Ham forward turned down the opportunity to play for the Shrimpers and instead returned to STFC to battle for a first team place.

26TH JAN



REEVES EARNS LAST MINUTE POINT AT WREXHAM

Alan Reeves' last gasp equaliser makes it three games unbeaten for Town as they draw at the Racecourse Ground. Town had gone two behind with goals from Faulconbridge and Carey before Grazioli, on as a substitute, pulled one back. Reeves got the equaliser on 90 minutes following Heywood's flick.

26TH JAN



BLACKBURN TOO STRONG AS YOUTHS EDGED OUT OF FA CUP

Town's youngsters give a fantastic account of themselves as they lose narrowly to Premiership Blackburn in the Fourth Round of the FA Youth Cup. Graham Walton gave Town a first half lead, but two second half goals from the home side were enough to earn a Fifth Round tie against Arsenal.

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FAN POWER

OK, I know we have harped on about the difference that fans can make to a football club, but in the last couple of weeks we have seen several instances in which this really has been the case.

You may have seen the problems that York City Football Club has found itself in, their problems having been well documented in the news. As part of an effort to save the club, the York supporters have formed a Supporters Trust. They have gone through exactly the same process that TrustSTFC has been through. As a result Mohamed Al Fayed has promised 45% of Fulham's gate receipts from their FA Cup tie with York, to the York Supporters Trust. Hopefully this will aid the supporters in their fight to save the club from extinction. We wish them well in their endeavours.

A month or so ago we published a letter from the newly formed Swansea City Supporters Trust. Well, events have moved on a pace there and just last week it was announced that a group of local businessmen, alongside with the Supporters Trust, have come together to buy out the chairman and take control of the club. In their short time, the Swansea group managed to get over 1400 people on board in their efforts to save the club.

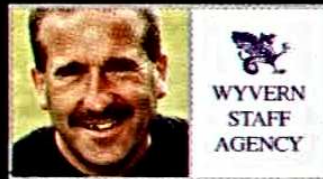
Our club is by no means safe. At the time of writing we are waiting for the announcement of an AGM. When this happens the Trust will be moving forward to try to secure a place on the board. Fans can make a difference and secure the future of a football club, the two cases above demonstrate this.

If you wish to join the Trust or find out more about what is happening with the Trust's activities, then go to our web page: www.truststfc.co.uk or call in at the office on match days - we are always more than happy to talk to you. If you belong to a group of Town supporters from outside Swindon and you and your mates would like to hear more, contact Tony Norris on 01793 875760 and we will be happy to come and meet with you (usually over a beer) and explain what the Trust is all about.



Al Fayed - generous

Treatment room...



Those of you that travelled to Wrexham and Colchester last week will know just how thin the squad is at the moment! We really have been unlucky with injuries this year, we have had two players retire which is bizarre in itself. Mark Robinson has been struggling ever since his double hernia operation and although it is a shame he has had to think about his future, it looks as though he will still have a job at the club which is fantastic news. Thankfully there appears to be some light at the end of the tunnel, with some players coming close to returning to action. Matty Hewlett, who had been out for a couple of weeks with a reoccurrence of the injury he had last year came on as a substitute at Wrexham before starting at Colchester. Thankfully, he has come through both games unscathed, but he was tired at Colchester which is not surprising, such is the heavy state of the pitches at the moment. I am assuming he will be in contention for today's game and his fitness will subsequently return with the amount of games he plays. Razor and Paul Edwards are still doubtful at the moment, but both are working hard to overcome their injuries. Razor is working hard in the gym, whilst Paul is doing well in the pool and on the bike.

Emlyn Hughes and Ray Clemence celebrating
Liverpool's 1974 FA Cup Final win at Wembley

Emlyn Hughes's Honours:

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It's been a prosperous year so far for Duncan Spedding's and his Northampton team mates

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COBBLERS PULL THEIR SOCKS UP

HAVING SUFFERED THE IGNOMINY OF SEEING THEIR SIDE LANGUISH IN THE BOTTOM FOUR ALL SEASON, COBBLERS FANS WOULD BE FORGIVEN FOR THINKING THEY HAD LITTLE CHANCE OF STAYING UP THIS YEAR. HOWEVER, THREE WINS IN THE LAST FOUR GAMES WOULD SUGGEST THAT KEVAN BRADHURST'S SIDE ARE READY TO SURPRISE A FEW PEOPLE AS THEY ATTEMPT TO PULL CLEAR OF THE RELEGATION ZONE.



The Cobblers' latest surge has come as somewhat of a surprise, especially when you consider the opposition they have swept aside in 2002. A 1-1 draw against Stoke has been followed with back-to-back wins against Bristol City (3-1 at Ashton Gate), Brentford (1-0) and fellow strugglers, Notts County (3-0).

Cobblers facts

Founded: Northampton Town
 Founded: 1897
 Nickname: The Cobblers
 Ground: Sixfields Stadium (7,600)
 League: Division 1 18 (Nationwide
 League Division Two)
 Manager: Chris Marsh
 Website: LLDWWW

Feb 9 CPR (H) 3.00pm
 Feb 23 Chesterfield (A) 3.00pm
 Feb 26 Port Vale (H) 7.45pm
 Manager: Forrester (12)

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 Fourth Division Champions 1987

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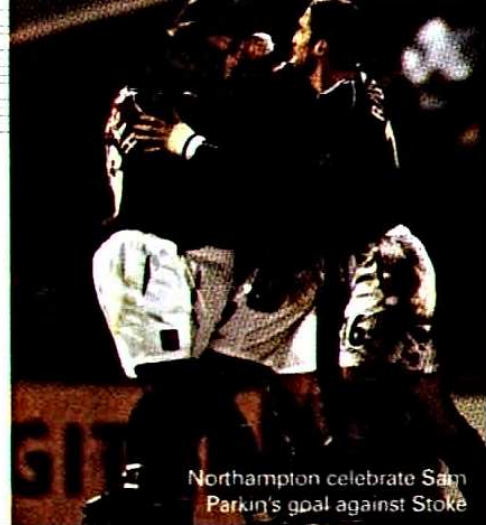
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Quite how they've managed to double their tally of wins for the season I don't know, but you won't hear the Cobblers' fans complaining. Since an impressive run in the league (that took them to the verge of the play-off places last season) ended, the club has had to endure a miserable run of form. Not only did they drop into the bottom half of the table (18th) by the end of last season, but also to the bottom four this time around. In fact, it took the Cobblers five games to register their first win (against Brighton) having lost their opening four and when Town visited Sixfields at the end of September, they had won just two matches all season. Nevertheless, an impressive fight back following Grazioli's opener that day culminated in an equaliser for Roy Hunter and the signs of improvement were there for all to see. Unfortunately, the team won just one game after that in 2001 and boss Kevin Wilson paid the ultimate price, the former crowd favourite paving the way for Kevan Broadhurst to take over. Broadhurst would appear to have turned things around and one player in particular looks to have benefited from his arrival. Jamie Forrester, despite suffering a relatively poor period in front of goal at the start of the season, scored two in the 3-1 win against Bristol City. He added another brace in mid-week at Meadow Lane to make it 12 for the season, and with take-over talk rife in the town (John Fashanu the centre of attention), life is not looking so bleak for the club.

Northampton Town's
 Sixfields Stadium





Northampton celebrate Sam
Parkin's goal against Stoke

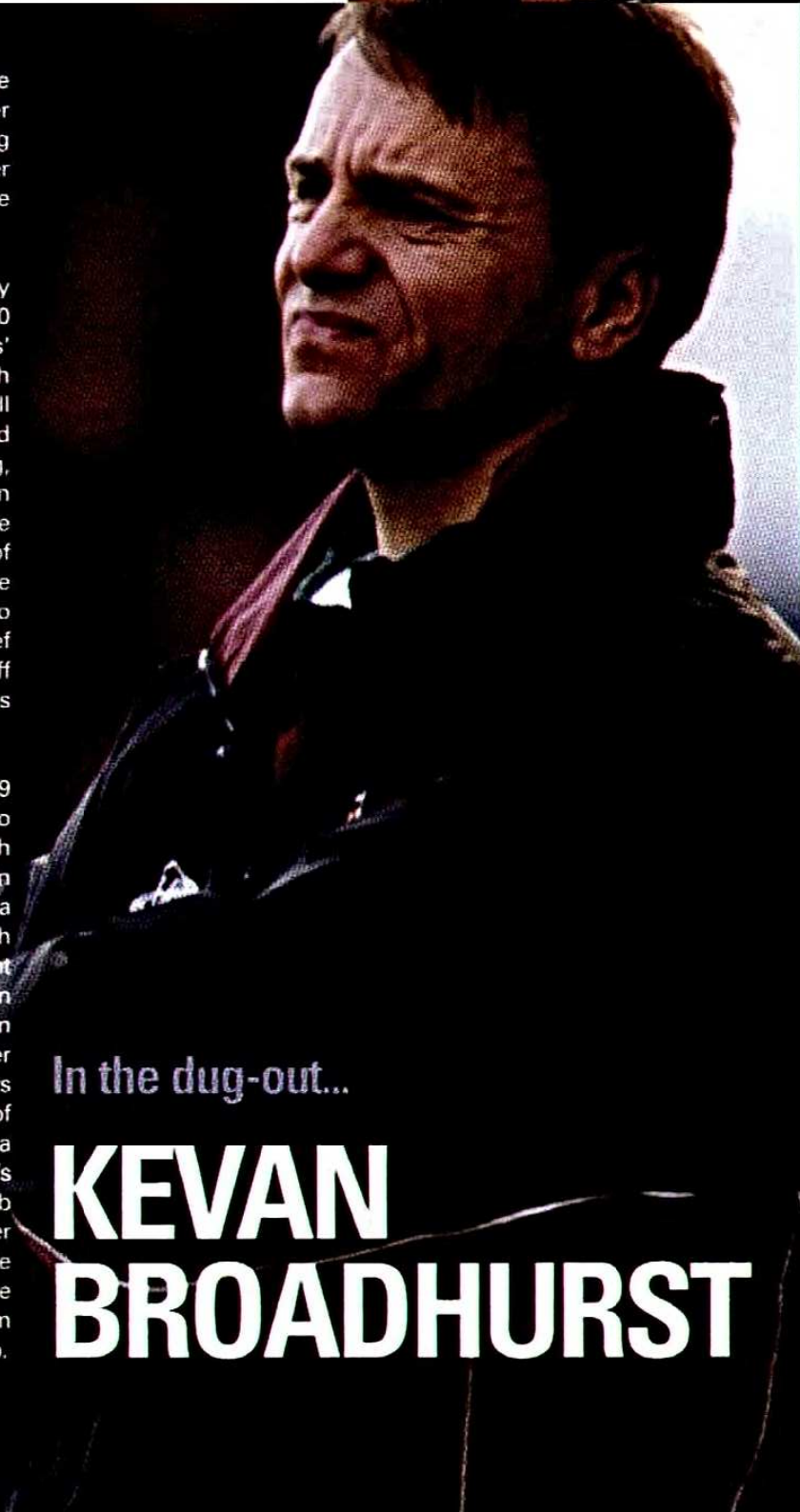
Kevan was appointed as the Cobbler's Assistant Manager on November 1 1999 having been joint caretaker manager with Kevin Wilson for the previous five matches.

He's a former Birmingham City defender who made over 150 appearances for the 'Blues' between 1976 and 1983, which also included a short loan spell at Walsall. Kevan then moved into coaching and scouting, including a spell as Youth Team Manager at St Andrews, where he oversaw the development of a number of youngsters into the first team. He was introduced to the club as a part-time chief scout, before joining the staff on a full time basis, initially as Youth Team Manager.

Kevan was in charge of the 1999 youth team and guided them to the Football League Youth Alliance Division One title in April of that year, and then had a short stint as first team coach before being named assistant manager. He left the club in October 2000 to become Luton Town's Reserve team manager before returning as the Cobblers Caretaker Manager at the end of September 2001. Following a successful upturn in the club's fortunes he was given the job on a full time basis in October 2001. More recently his side have won three games out of the last four and it is that kind of form that could keep the Cobblers up.

In the dug-out...

KEVAN BROADHURST



One to

ROY HUNTER

with his tenacity and will to win who can play either in midfield or at full-back. Roy was released from WBA during the summer of 1994/95 having previously been part of Manchester United's School of Excellence, and subsequently signed for the 'Cobblers'. His 1996/97 Wembley play-off appearance was the 100th of his career in all competitions. He returned to first team action after a lengthy injury in the closing weeks of the 2000/2001 season, and has continued his recovery by captaining the side.

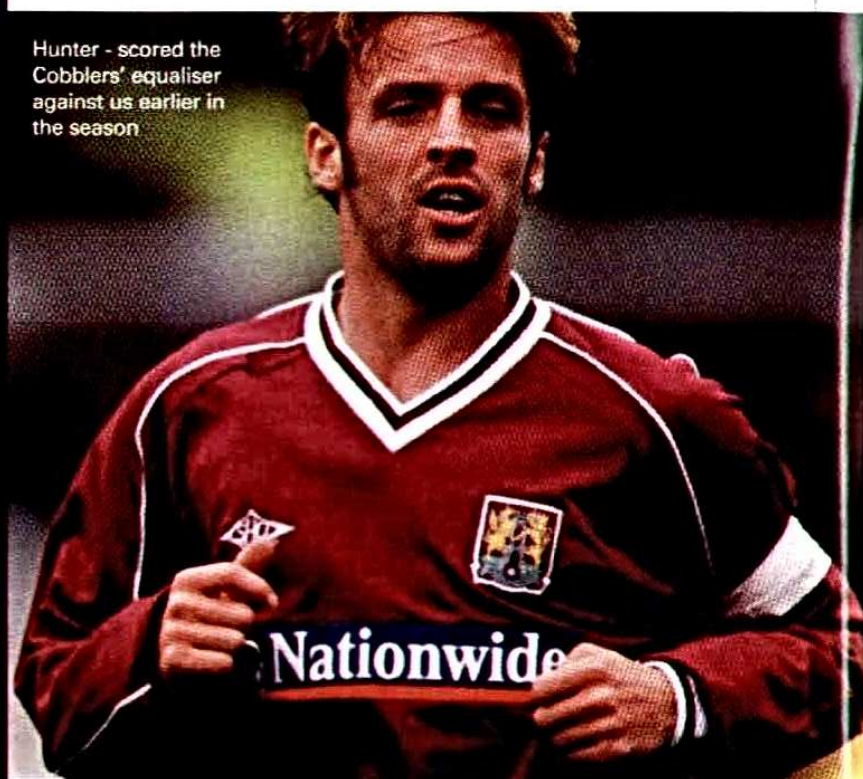
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DEREK ASAMOAH

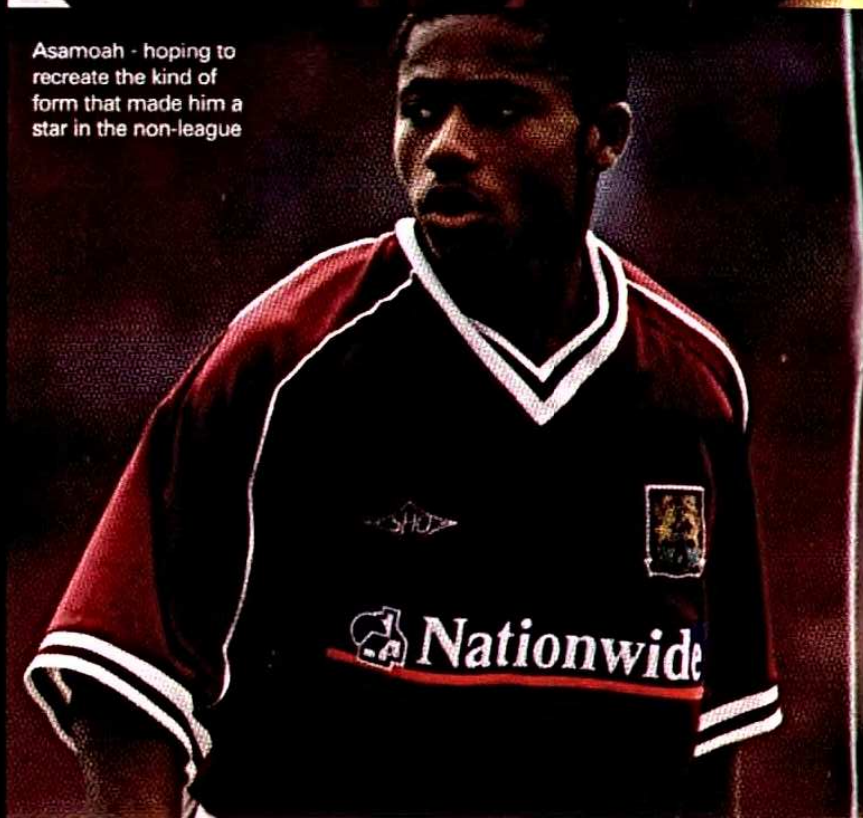
contract at Sixfields in July 2001 after impressing in a trial spell. After spells with Hampton & Richmond and Slough Town in non-league football, Derek is hoping that his pace and dribbling skills will cause defences plenty of problems. Already a crowd favourite, this Ghanaian born striker with a British passport is always likely to create chances with his pace and work rate. He scored the first goal of his career in the 2-0 win over Brighton at the end of August.



Hunter - scored the Cobblers' equaliser against us earlier in the season



Asamoah - hoping to recreate the kind of form that made him a star in the non-league



Keith Welch

Highly rated 'keeper who joined the 'Cobblers' under the Bosman ruling. Keith started his career as a trainee at Bolton, but joined Rochdale and Bristol City before moving to Sixfields. Often referred to as 'Mr Cool' due to his relaxed nature between the sticks, Keith was signed as a replacement for Billy Turley.

Daryl Burgess

Daryl was signed on a two-year contract after 11 successful years at West Brom. Daryl was at the heart of the Albion defence through much of the 90's. Often out of favour under Denis Smith, Daryl forced his way back into the side and was even made captain. Always a committed performer whose work-rate cannot be faulted.

Paul Dempsey

Paul joined Sheffield United as an attacking right-back. He signed a one year contract after impressing as a trialist in the Cobblers reserve side. He adjusted well to first team football and is one for the future. Impressive performances at the start of the 2001/2002 season have already made Paul something of a crowd favourite.

Ian Sampson

Started out with non-league Goole Town before moving to Sunderland in November 1990. Signed by the 'Cobblers' for £30,000 in August 1994. Ian was the only ever present player during 1994/95 season and is the club's longest serving player. Has signed a two year extension to his contract.

Duncan Spedding

Left sided player who was signed from Southampton for £70,000, having made seven Premiership appearances. Duncan is a very highly-rated youngster and is tipped to be one for the future. Duncan has continued his excellent form this season, catching the eye of the watching nation with his performance against Canvey.

Chris Hargreaves

An orthodox left-winger who has the ability to run at defenders and whip in superb crosses. Started his career at Grimsby Town before signing for Hull City, West Brom, Hereford and Plymouth. He has made an impressive start to 2001/2002, and currently leads the supporters Man of the Match voting on the official web site.

James Hunt

Highly rated midfielder who was snapped up on a free transfer in 1997. James displays plenty of grit and determination along with good passing and vision. Has now made over 100 appearances for the 'Cobblers' and continues to impress. James has bounced back from suspension with some excellent midfield displays.

Chris Carruthers

Chris is a local, youth scholar who is a naturally left-sided player. He was one of the brightest spots of a disappointing end to last season for the Cobblers and will be looking to add to the three appearances he made then. Kettering born Chris is another player of whom big things are hoped, and he has already won himself a regular place.

Jamie Forrester

Quick thinking, lively striker who displays brilliant skills and loves to run at defenders. Started his career at the age of 17 with Leeds. He then signed for Grimsby, Scunthorpe, Utrecht and Walsall before signing for the Cobblers. Jamie has found goals harder to come by this season, but has scored four goals in the last three games.

Marco Gabbiadini

Proven goalscorer who started his career with York City at 17 years old in 1985, before moving to Sunderland, Crystal Palace, Derby, Stoke, York and Darlington. The 'Cobblers' signed Marco during the summer despite interest from Doncaster Rovers, Luton Town, Notts County and league leaders, Reading.

Paul McGregor

Paul made a name for himself as a youngster at Nottingham Forest, where he came through the ranks. After brief spells at Carlisle and Preston, he moved to Plymouth under the Bosman ruling. A skilful player who proves a handful for opposing defences as he is always likely to do the unusual from midfield.

Sam Parkin

Highly rated at Chelsea, this powerful young striker had loan spells at Millwall, Wycombe and Oldham last year, scoring nine times in 13 starts. His height is a crucial weapon for the 'Cobblers' and a bright future is expected for this striker who was a much sought after figure before agreeing to sign for the Cobblers.

Sound bites...

ALAN REEVES

on **Town's** form...

"We know we're a bit stop-start at the moment. The fans aren't happy but we need to keep grinding out results. That's exactly what we did tonight, we didn't play well but managed to keep a clean sheet and also get three points in the process."

BART GRIEMINK

on **three** points...

"We were a bit nervous before the game but we battled well to win and that was a very important victory. We hadn't won this year and so people were talking about being dragged down into the bottom again, this win pulls us away a little bit."

DANNY INVINCIBLE

on **scoring the** **winner**...

"I didn't have the best of games and I think I needed the goal to make up for a few other things. I saw a gap, struck it with my left foot and it was great to see it go in the bottom corner. It secured a valuable three points for us against a side below us."

MATCH REPORT



TUE JAN 22, KICK OFF 7.45PM
COUNTY GROUND 3,821

SWINDON TOWN 1
Invincible 71
NOTTS COUNTY 0

CAUTIONS

Swindon

- Davis
- Foley

Notts County

- Brough
- Richardson

Andy King fielded an unchanged side from the one that drew at Peterborough against a struggling Notts County side last Tuesday.

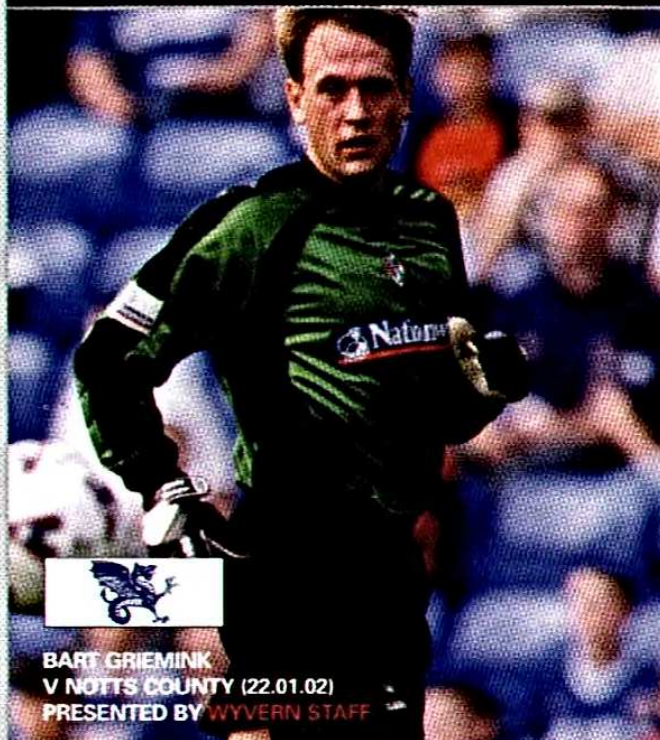
Steve Mildenhall returned to the ground where he was 'Player of the Year' last season, but he had little to do in a closely fought first period in which there were few chances for either side, both seemingly as nervous as the other. However, Notts County had the best chance of the half on 17 minutes when a cross from the right hand side found Darren Caskey unmarked at the back post. Fortunately for the home side, the former Reading midfielder missed from just six yards. Twelve minutes later, Alan Reeves shot wide from a Town corner before Town enjoyed their best chance before half time when David Duke struck the bar from long range.

Town nearly took the lead straight after the re-start, a Duke corner causing all sorts of problems in the County box before Reeves angled a header towards the top corner of the goal. A combination of Steve Mildenhall and Paul Bolland on the line managed to keep the ball out before Bolland made his presence felt at the other end, his shot expertly saved by the impressive Griemink. The breakthrough came on 71 minutes. Danny Invincible dispossessed a County midfielder on the halfway line and then drove forward, beating two players before unleashing a left foot drive past the despairing drive of Mildenhall. Town managed to hold on for a crucial win that leaves them nine points above the relegation zone, but not before Bolland missed another guilt-edged chance, the Magpies' midfielder blazing over from close range.



STFC MAN OF THE MATCH

EACH WEEK, GUESTS FROM TOWN'S EXECUTIVE AREA VOTE FOR TOWN'S MAN OF THE MATCH...



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Brief footballing background?

I started with Gloucester primary school before being spotted in the County Cup Final playing for my local club.

Club supported as a boy?

Manchester United and Gloucester City

What brought you to STFC?

They spotted me playing in the County Cup Final

Best and worst moments in football?

My best moment has been becoming a Swindon Town player, the worst was missing a penalty in that County Cup Final

Ultimate hopes for the future?

Simply to become a professional footballer

Any advice for younger players?

Only you can decide whether or not you want to be a professional footballer, don't let anyone get in your way

How will Town get on this season?

Mid-table



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YOUTH OF TODAY

with Viv Busby and Jim Fraser

Town's under 19's suffered their second defeat in as many weeks against local rivals, Oxford United, last weekend.

Oxford fielded a relatively younger side whilst Town, in comparison, put out a full-strength line-up including Chris Collins. The defeat was Town's third in a row, hardly ideal preparation for their lucrative Fourth Round FA cup tie against Blackburn - details of which will appear in the next programme (Huddersfield). If Town can pull off an impressive shock result at Ewood Park, then they will be rewarded with a tie against Arsenal in Round Five. Viv Busby said, "We are going to make this a positive experience for the lads. It will have the feel of the professional cup tie."

Town's under 17's were successful however, with Chris Taylor scoring a hat trick in a 5-2 win. Bampton and Stroud scored the other two.



Oxford u19 2
Swindon u19 0

Saturday 19th January

Swindon line-up:

Farr, C Collins, Reed, Halliday, B Smith, Herring, P Anderson, N Edwards, Crosby, Walton, Hughes
Subs: Draycott, Thomas

STFC UNDER-19s 2001/02

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|------------|--------------------|---|-----|
| Sat Aug 18 | Cardiff City | A | 1-0 |
| Sat Aug 25 | Exeter City | H | 1-0 |
| Sat Sep 8 | Cardiff City (YAC) | A | 2-2 |
| Sat Sep 15 | Cirencester | H | 4-2 |
| Sat Sep 22 | Plymouth Argyle | A | 1-1 |
| Sat Oct 6 | Torquay United | A | 4-2 |
| Sat Oct 13 | Cirencester | | 3-3 |
| Sat Oct 20 | Cardiff City (YAC) | H | 2-0 |
| Sat Oct 27 | Bristol Rovers | A | 2-1 |
| Thur Nov 8 | Grantham (FACUP) | H | 5-0 |
| Sat Nov 10 | Oxford United | H | 1-2 |
| Sat Nov 17 | Cirencester | A | 3-0 |
| Sat Nov 24 | Plymouth Argyle | H | 3-1 |
| Wed Nov 27 | Yeovil (FACUP) | A | 2-0 |
| Sat Dec 8 | Walsall (YAC) | A | 1-2 |
| Sat Dec 15 | Torquay United | H | P-P |
| Sat Jan 12 | Swansea City | A | 1-2 |
| Sat Jan 19 | Oxford United | A | 0-2 |
| Sat Jan 26 | Blackburn (FACUP) | A | |
| Sat Feb 2 | Cardiff City | H | |
| Sat Feb 9 | Exeter City | A | |

STFC UNDER-17s 2001/02

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| Sat Aug 18 | Oxford United | H | 3-1 |
| Sat Sep 1 | Cheltenham Town | H | 0-4 |
| Sat Sep 8 | Cardiff City | A | 4-1 |
| Sat Sep 15 | Exeter City | H | 2-3 |
| Sat Sep 22 | Cirencester | H | 2-1 |
| Sat Oct 6 | AFC Bournemouth | A | 2-1 |
| Sat Oct 13 | Torquay United | H | 3-2 |
| Sat Oct 20 | Swansea City | A | 2-1 |
| Sat Oct 27 | Plymouth Argyle | H | 1-2 |
| Sat Nov 3 | Bristol Rovers | A | P-P |
| Sat Nov 17 | AFC Bournemouth | H | 7-3 |
| Sat Nov 24 | Cirencester | A | 5-0 |
| Sat Dec 1 | Swansea City | H | 3-3 |
| Sat Dec 15 | Torquay United | A | 8-0 |
| Sat Jan 12 | Plymouth Argyle | A | 1-2 |
| Sat Jan 19 | Bristol Rovers | H | 5-2 |
| Sat Feb 2 | Oxford United | A | |
| Sat Feb 16 | Cheltenham Town | A | |
| Sat Feb 23 | Cardiff City | H | |
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John Fashanu in his
Crazy Gang days.

FROM THE PRESS BOX

**John Fashanu - looks set to takeover the Cobblers, but will
Ulrika Jonsson be joining him?**

Two hundred and fifteen of you made the trip to Wrexham last weekend and I suspect 215 of you wished you were elsewhere with around 17 minutes to go. But the drama of the last few seconds showed just why we put ourselves through the emotional grinder every week. I must confess that I very nearly disgraced myself in the press box as Reevesy rose like a phoenix from the flames (sorry, it was the shock of meeting Stuart Hall at Manchester City the other week) to head home our equaliser. I was chuffed for Reevesy. I don't think he'd taken as much stick as his manager believed against Notts County but he'd been the first to admit he hadn't enjoyed a particularly good game that night. But back to Wrexham. The foul-mouthed abuse some of the lads had taken during the game had really annoyed me and I did let out a rather unprofessional 'yeeessssssss' as the ball dropped in in the 92nd minute. It was just a shame we couldn't have played for the first 70 minutes of the match.

Apologies as these notes were penned before the Colchester United match on Wednesday. Hopefully we stretched the unbeaten run to four games with a good result at gloomy Layer Road. However, after the farce surrounding the fixture last season, it was probably postponed due to the wrong sort of moon cycle or something. A lot has been made of the FA embargo and Kingy's inability to bring in new players. Each new day seems to unearth another bill that needs paying.

On a slightly different note, I was sad to hear about Mark Robinson's injury woes. Robbo has seen both the good and the bad since arriving at the County Ground in 1994. Although sections of the crowd have targeted him at times, a nicer bloke in football you could not wish to meet. Anyway, on to today's encounter. Northampton had a great result at Bristol City a couple of weeks ago so we take them lightly at our peril. Former Wimbledon man John Fashanu is supposed to be close to taking over the club. I wonder whether home matches will be preceded by cries of 'oowwwwwaarga' or whatever nonsense he used to spout at the start of Gladiators. Will Ulrika Jonsson be joining him? Anyway, get behind the lads this afternoon and let's try and bring the top half of the table back into view. Remember, if you can't get to a game, follow all the action with the Evening Advertiser's live feed at www.thisisswindontownfc.co.uk. See you all back here on Tuesday night for the return of Mr Macari as we take on Huddersfield Town. Come On You Reds!

COMMERCIAL BREAK

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A new initiative, launched by the Nationwide Building Society and Football League, is set to enable more than 100,000 youngsters across the country to visit their local team.

The 'Nationwide Supporters of Tomorrow' scheme has received the full backing of STFC, with a large number of tickets being distributed to schools in and around Swindon for today's game against Northampton. The tickets have been used to reward pupils that have demonstrated either a consistent level of acceptable behaviour and work standards, or substantial improvements. The scheme will also reward individuals from youth clubs and community groups (who have demonstrated good practice, outstanding personal achievement or undertaken community initiatives) with tickets throughout the season.

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Following the success of last year's inaugural competition (in memory of former STFC director, Peter Godwin), STFC are set to repeat the competition this summer. Club physio Dick Mackey and the Adver's Jon Ritson were just some of the players taking part. Look out for more details in forthcoming matchday programmes.



STFC GOLF DAY - MONDAY JULY 15

STFC and Non-Stop Promotions are set to hold their eighth annual STFC Golf Day at Wrag Barn Golf Club, Highworth. Over 20 teams competed with and against Town's players last year and there were prizes to be won on every hole, food throughout the day and a meal, auction and comedian to finish off the event.



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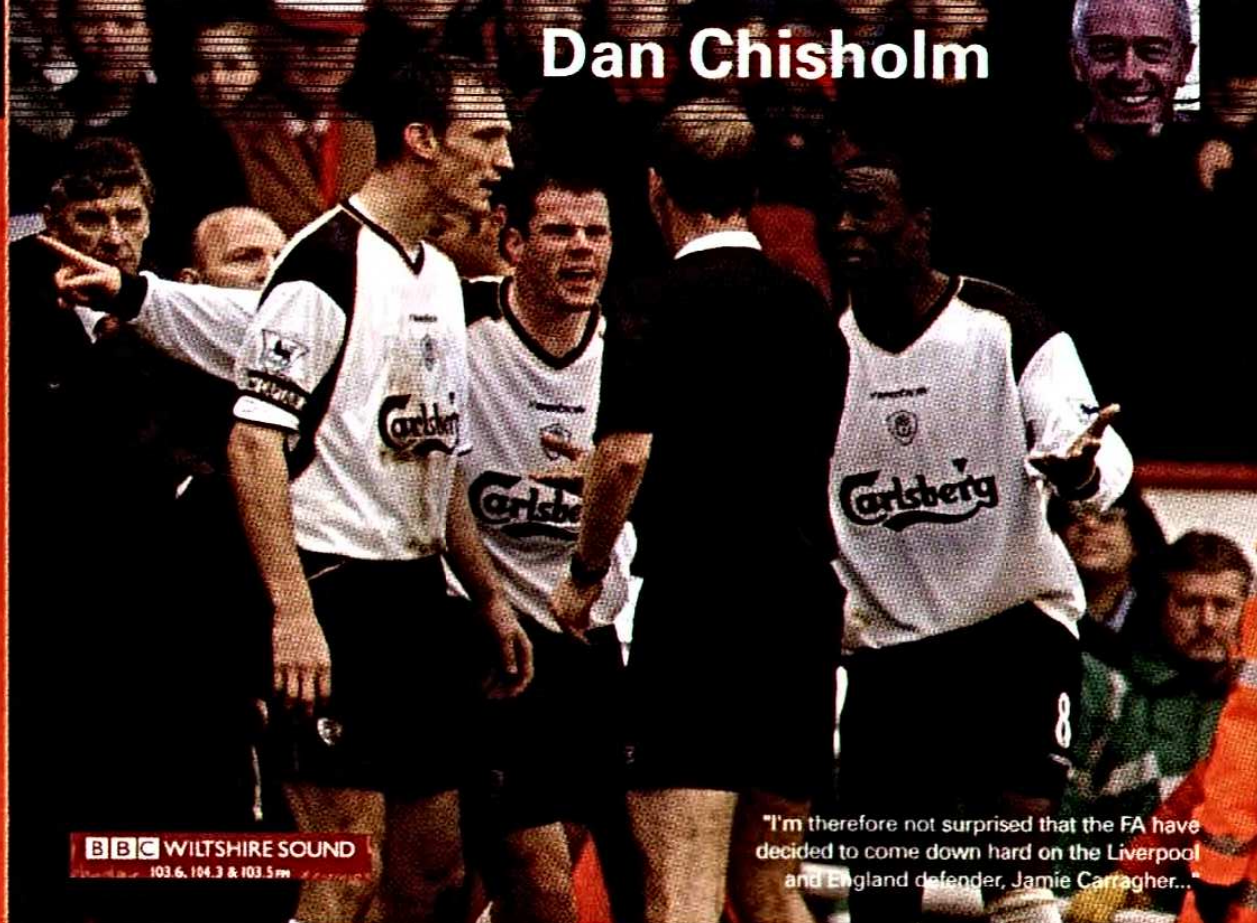
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"I'm therefore not surprised that the FA have decided to come down hard on the Liverpool and England defender, Jamie Carragher..."

FROM THE AIRWAVES

Where will it end? Players bad mouthing each other and questioning their opponent's sexuality, pretending to snort a line of cocaine as part of a goal celebration, taking part with team-mates in a 'videoed' three-in-a-bed romp.

How about the all-time classic of jumping into the crowd to kick a fan who hurls abuse at you. It seems there are many ways of enhancing your bad boy reputation when you are a modern day footballer. I'm therefore not surprised that the FA have decided to come down hard on the Liverpool and England defender, Jamie Carragher, following his decision to return a coin into the crowd after it was thrown at him during last week's cup encounter with Arsenal at Highbury.

It's not for me to argue the rights and wrongs of the player's behaviour, but I can't help being angered by whoever was responsible for the original act. At the time of writing, we don't know whether any action is likely to be taken, but I'm worried that this unsavoury incident has again taken football back towards those nasty days we had to live through in the 1970's. A lot of people have worked very hard to ensure that a football match is a safe environment for the whole family to attend. We've reached a stage where children are allowed to come to a game, and women feel safe and able to see their team without a male companion. This fantastic work could be so easily undone if we allow the minority to wreck it for us.

If you are a genuine fan of the game, you must play your part. If you ever see anyone throwing coins, being racist or offensive at a Swindon Town match, report them. Let's get them out of the ground - never to return. I remember as a 14-year old being 'duffed up' by one set of opposing fans because I was wearing the wrong coloured scarf. On another occasion, being hit by umbrella-wielding maniacs for the same reason. I never want to see anyone go through that again.

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MATCH REPORT



SAT JAN 26, KICK OFF 3.00PM
RACECOURSE GROUND 2,879

WREXHAM **2**

Faulconbridge 30, Carey 73

SWINDON TOWN **2**

Grazioli 74, Reeves 90

CAUTIONS

Swindon
Hewlett

Town salvaged a dramatic point at the Racecourse Ground last Saturday having been two goals down. The draw leaves Wrexham languishing in the bottom four, whilst Town stay 15th in the league. Andy King started the game with the same side that defeated Notts County on Tuesday with Matty Hewlett returning to the bench from injury and Alan Reeves playing his last game before a four-match suspension.

Wrexham, arguably in more desperate need for the points than Town, started the game brightly and dominated for long periods in the first half. Griemink was forced into action on 17 minutes when Hector Sam's shot was parried by the Dutch goalkeeper before Brian Carey, playing his 300th game for the club, failed to find the target with a header following Darren Ferguson's corner. The home side eventually broke the deadlock just before the half-hour mark. Carey's raking through ball found Faulconbridge who rifled the ball home from the edge of the penalty area. It could have been two four minutes later when Eric Sabin was adjudged to have handled the ball in his own area, but Stephen Thomas' penalty was brilliantly saved by Griemink.

Wrexham continued to bombard the visitors' defence as they looked to double their advantage, both Thomas and Wayne Phillips coming close before Carey eventually bundled the ball home from six yards. Town replied immediately when Grazioli forced home a rebound after Sabin came close, and the Town substitute nearly got a second when his speculative effort hit the post. However, with seconds remaining, Town's comeback was complete when Alan Reeves forced home a header following Matt Heywood's flick on.



Sound bites...

GIULIANO GRAZIOLI

On **Saturday's** draw...

"Last year we probably would have lost having gone 2-0 down, but we have a bit more about us this season. We could even have won in the end. Having coped with some earlier pressure, including the penalty, we then had chances to win the game."

ANDY GURNEY

On **Town's** form...

"When Graz's shot hit the post late on you start to think it's not going to be your day. But Reeves's header got a deserved point for us. Importantly, it's three games we haven't lost. The performances haven't been that great but we've been pinching points."

DENIS SMITH

On **his sides'** draw...

"The game should have been dead and buried when we went 2-0 up. We were one-nil up and then missed a penalty. But when we went two up I thought it was game over, but we just couldn't handle their pressure at the end which is disappointing."

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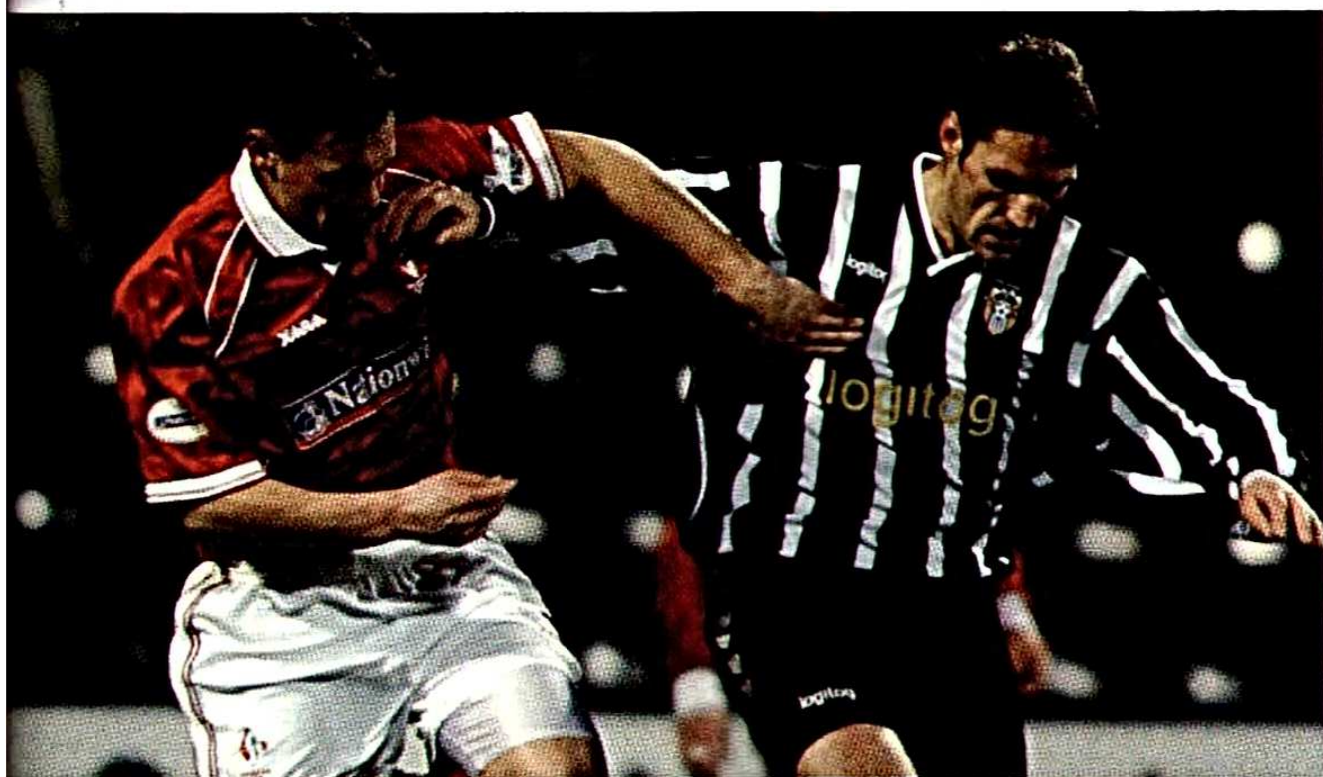
SOL MAN

It's been a season of contrasts for Town's tough-tackling and fiercely committed left-back, Sol Davis. An inconsistent start to the campaign (largely brought about by injury and Roy Evans' use of the 5-3-2 formation) has been recently followed by a profitable run in the side. And it's not just Town's faithful and management team that's noticed.

Sol Davis has been an integral figure in Andy King's defence since the turn of the year (winning a 'Man of the Match' award against Bristol City) and his battling performances appeared to have warranted a visit from Portsmouth's directors at the 1-0 win against Notts County.



"I suppose it is nice to hear about things like that, having other teams show an interest in you but it doesn't really bother me. I am happy where I am." Reassuring news for Town's support who have taken a liking to the 23-year old. However, it must have been strange for a player who loves to keep out of the news, to be reading about himself on the back pages of the local press, linking him with a move to Division One? "It was strange," he admits, almost embarrassed of the praise. "I read about it on the back page of a local newspaper, but I didn't really think too much about it, I have a job to do at STFC at the moment."



Sol Davis 'landed' the job he refers to when he signed professional forms for STFC in 1997 at the tender age of 18. Up until then, he had spent a substantial amount of time building up his reputation in Town's youth set up. "I was given the opportunity to play for Town when I was younger and I enjoyed a successful period playing for the youth team with the likes of Steve Mildenhall." Like now, Town's youth set up enjoyed a prosperous period and Sol remembers squaring up to Arsenal, "I remember playing against Arsenal in the cup, it was pretty awesome and the youth lads very nearly got there again this season." Sol is of course, talking about the under 19's and their recent FA Cup run in which they were narrowly defeated by Blackburn last Saturday. Had they won, they would have come face to face with Arsenal again in the Fifth Round. "We were all pretty gutted when we heard the result, Viv (Busby) phoned the result through after our game at Wrexham. They have had a tremendous season and have enjoyed terrific success and a game against Arsenal would have been great for them."

Such was the under 19's performance that several of Busby's players have, like Sol, caught the eye. And Sol admits that it could be difficult hanging on to some of the younger players, should they be tempted away, although their success is paramount to the future prosperity of the club as a whole. "With clubs such as ours, where there is little money for new players, the success of the youth set-up becomes more important. Whether it be developing into successful first team players or providing money for the club to put towards new first team players, it is essential that they continue to develop."

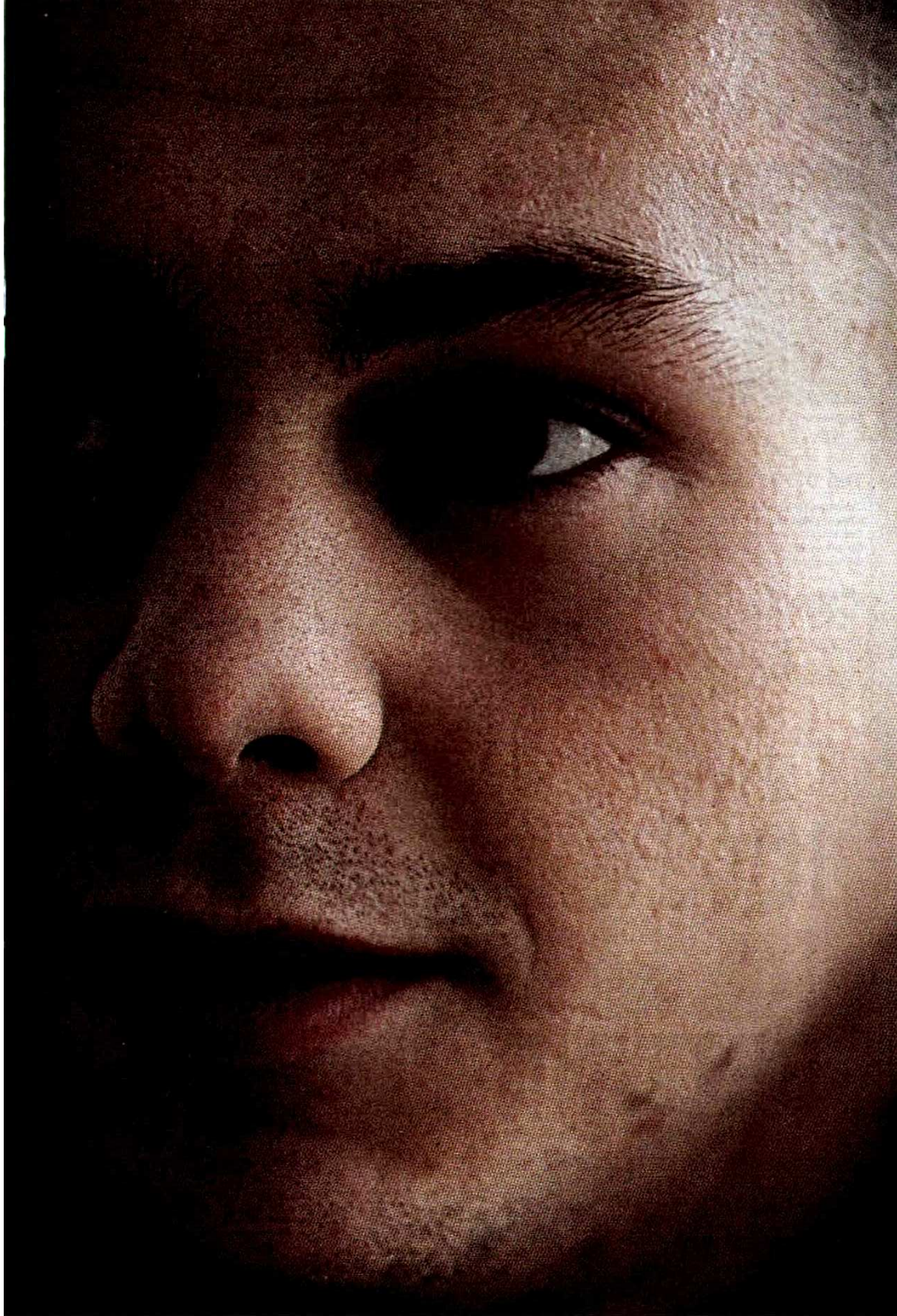
Sol's graduation from YTS to first team professional came against Queens Park Rangers in the First Division (a game in which Town won 3-1) and he has certainly gone on to bigger and better things, an example to any of Town's aspiring youngsters. But aside from his own success, Sol admits he would like to enjoy better times with the rest of his team. "We started slowly this season, but instead of letting our heads go down we got on with it and got ourselves into the top half. More recently, we have established a run of three games without defeat and if we can just start to get a few wins under our belt, then we should be able to climb the table."

The negative ambience that engulfed the club last year seems to have lifted, but there is still an overwhelming sense of frustration amongst the players that they are not higher up in the table. Sol's frustration could also be put down to the fact that he was unable to make an impact when he was sidelined through injury. "It was a shame because I thought I had been doing quite well when I had played at the start of the campaign. Then at West Brom, I experienced a bit of a tweak when I made a tackle and that was it, I was out for a while. Then the lads started winning and you wonder where your next game's coming from. But when Andy (King) returned, he reassured me I would be part of the side and thankfully I have. I have always got on with 'the gaffer' and it has certainly helped my form with the side reverting back to having four in defence."

Sol's return from injury was exemplified by his heroics on Town's goal-line on more than one occasion at the Racecourse Ground last Saturday. Yet he would be the first to admit that he Town shouldn't face such situations, so what now for our form and the rest of the season? With Northampton this afternoon and Huddersfield on Tuesday night, Town have the perfect opportunity to get six points. "We went to Wrexham looking for a win and unfortunately, only looked like getting one when we were 2-0 down when we started to play to our strengths. We didn't really play that well and 'the gaffer' would be right in saying that we must stop giving teams an advantage before we start to believe in our own confidence. I think we must try and give ourselves an early goal which should, in turn, give us the confidence to go on and win games."

"Today's game is of massive importance, Northampton have won a few games recently and are high in spirits. They have a new manager and still need a few more wins to get out of the bottom four. We must not allow that to happen and instead, provide a platform from which we can go and beat Huddersfield on Tuesday. A few wins and we could get ourselves in the top half of the table."

Let's hope Sol's confidence manifests itself in the rest of the side and Town earn three points today. Looking to the future, if Sol can keep playing in a similar fashion then hopefully he will return to Division One – with the club he supported as a boy and plays for today.



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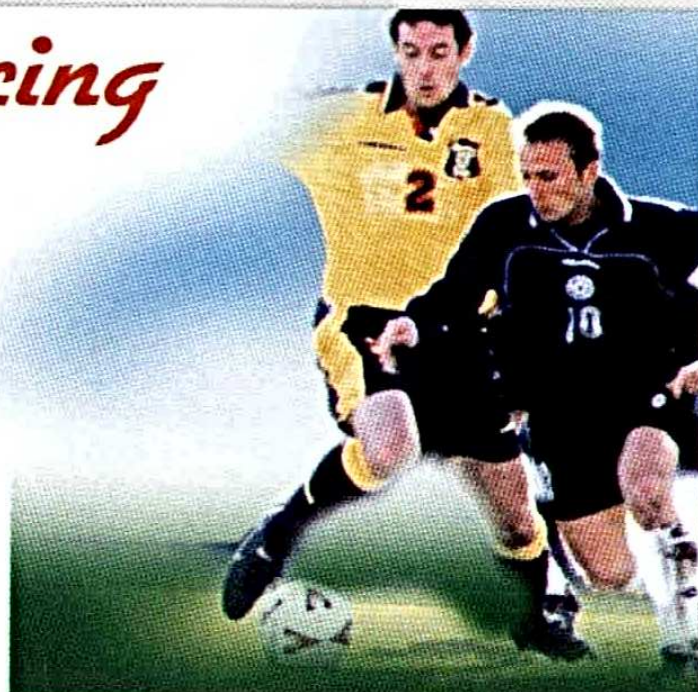
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with Dick Mattick

The 1989/90 season saw some attractive football played at the County Ground as Dick Mattick explains in the first of two parts.

The Swindon Board had deliberated long and hard before appointing a successor to Lou Macari. Eventually they went for a high profile player manager in Ossie Ardiles. Ossie, like Lou, made little impact on the pitch where he made just two substitute appearances, but off it he transformed the teams' style of play to one involving lots of passing triangles. Such was the transformation, often with the use of a 'diamond' formation, that Alan McLoughlin won international honours for Eire and was voted Swindon's 'Player of the Season'. It was two goals from Alan that helped Town to a 2-0 away win over Watford that took them into the top six where they stayed to the season's end. Although the following weekend saw a 2-1 FA Cup defeat against Bristol City, in the League Swindon continued to prosper. The goal scoring exploits of Duncan Shearer and Steve White, with 20 and 18 respectively, helped Swindon to a total of 79 League goals. Dave Kerslake came as a midfield player from QPR but was later transformed into an attacking right-back and whose crosses set up many goals, as did those of left back Paul Bodin. Colin Calderwood and Ross Maclaren kept clear of injury and, along with Maclaren (playing just in front of the back four), were a major factor in the club's success. The last game of the league programme saw Swindon visit Stoke, who had already been relegated. A point was enough to earn Swindon the advantage of being at home in the play-offs and the last few minutes of this match were played after a crowd invasion. Perhaps, realising that a further goal could spark trouble, both sides seemed content to play the ball about and settle for a 1-1 scoreline. This took Swindon to the play-offs and you can find out what happened in the next programme.



Ossie Ardiles and
Alan McLoughlin

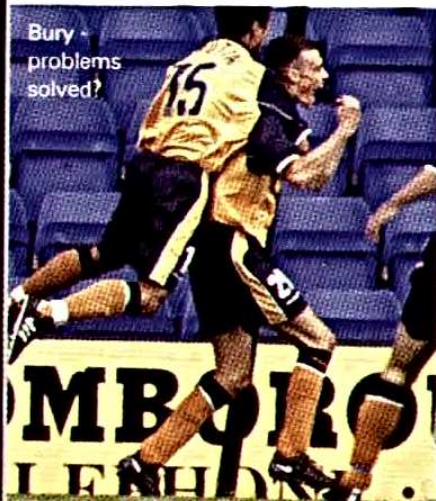
It was a dismal season for the Cobblers who finished 22nd in Division Three and were relegated. Peter Gleasure in goal and Russell Wilcox in defence were ever present in the league matches, but only the former Swindon player, Bobby Barnes, with 18 goals reached double figures in the scoring stakes. The Littlewoods Cup saw a first Round exit at the hands of Mansfield, but the highlight of the season came in the third Round of the FA Cup. Kettering in Round One and Aylesbury after a replay in Round two had been overcome to earn a home tie with First Division Coventry City. It was another former Swindon player, Steve Berry, who scored the only goal to put Northampton in Round Four where they lost 3-0 at Rochdale.



ROBINSON TO END CHAIRMAN GIGG

Terry Robinson has resigned as chairman of Bury as the race to take over the Gigg Lane club intensifies. Robinson has battled to keep the Manchester-based club afloat after Hugh Eaves, the club's majority shareholder, encountered problems on the stock market. Robinson has relinquished all his duties with the football club, explaining, "The last two-and-a-half years have been a very difficult period for Bury Football Club. The aim of the board has always been to keep the club afloat until new owners have been found and we have done that". Manchester-based Mansport are thought to be the favourites to take over the Second Division strugglers. Their offer is believed to be in the region of £15million, with a rival group waiting in the wings if the deal falls through.

Bury -
problems
solved?



ANDY'S ANKLE ANGUISH

Wycombe's veteran striker, Andy Rammell, is expected to miss the rest of the season after undergoing an ankle operation. The 34-year-old suffered cartilage damage in the 4-3 defeat at QPR last month. The 12-goal hitman did not realise the full extent of the injury and was inconsolable after adding his name to a growing list of casualties at Adams Park. "I'm disappointed because I've let a lot of people down. I'm absolutely gutted. We've got a heavy schedule now in which there are plenty of games in a short space of time and there are a lot of injuries and suspensions. It was an innocuous tackle and I was hoping to play with it but the pain was excruciating. It's very bad luck." The former Manchester United, Walsall and Barnsley striker joined the Chairboys during October 2000 and he has scored 25 goals for Sanchez's side.



NOADES ISSUES ULTIMATUM

Brentford chairman Ron Noades has threatened to pull the plug on the club unless their supporters get behind him. The Brentford Independent Association of Supporters oppose his plan to sell Griffin Park. 'BIAS' are unhappy at Noades' ideas to move The Bees until they can see a new stadium being built. The eccentric chairman has threatened to stop funding the debt-ridden Bees before his planned retirement at the end of the season unless BIAS back him. Noades issued a statement on the club's website, "If your organisation and the supporters work against what I am trying to achieve for Brentford, I feel I have no obligation to even fund it for the remaining months of this season". Noades also added that he believes the future of the club lies in their move away from Griffin Park, "I am not the slightest bit interested in assessing Griffin Park with a view to remaining here simply because it is totally outdated and has no room to be developed to a level which would allow us to compete with other clubs."

Ron
Noades

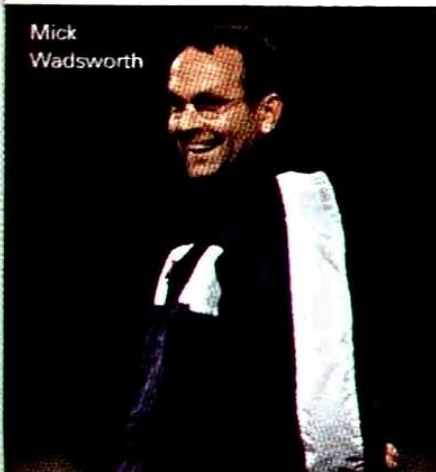




ARGENTINE ON LATICS TRIAL

Oldham Athletic boss Mick Wadsworth has taken Argentina star Christian Colusson on trial with a view to a permanent move. The 24-year-old has represented his country at both Under-20 and Under-23 level and Colusson, by trade a left-sided midfielder, is expected to stay with the Latics for at least a week as boss Mick Wadsworth runs the rule over the Argentine to consider whether he will prove a worthwhile addition to his squad. Colusson, who currently plays for Argentinian side Rosario Central, will take part in a specially arranged practice match this week. The Argentine holds a European passport, which will prevent any possible work permit problems for the Latics who are looking to establish a play-off place after a good run of form that has seen them lose just once in the last four games.

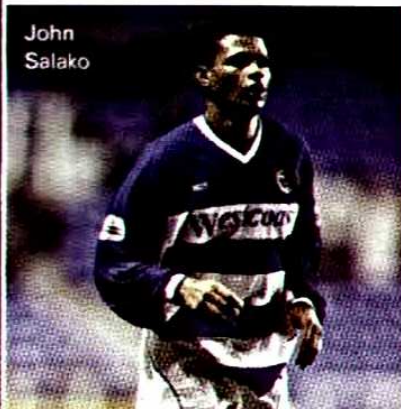
Mick Wadsworth



ROYALS SEAL SALAKO DEAL

Reading have completed the permanent signing of John Salako after he impressed on loan at the Madejski Stadium. The club's supporters helped complete the deal after receiving a £100,000 bonus from the proceeds of their official website which was used to fund the transfer. Reading are believed to have paid a nominal fee to Charlton for the former Crystal Palace ace, who has signed a two-and-a-half year deal. Salako impressed during his three-month loan deal at the club despite missing a penalty against Colchester last Saturday and Royals boss Alan Pardew was keen to complete the signing to help boost their hopes of promotion. "The money from our internet site has made it possible to fund Salako's signing," bragged Reading chairman John Madejski. "Our site was recently ranked third of 73, which is why we received such a substantial payment".

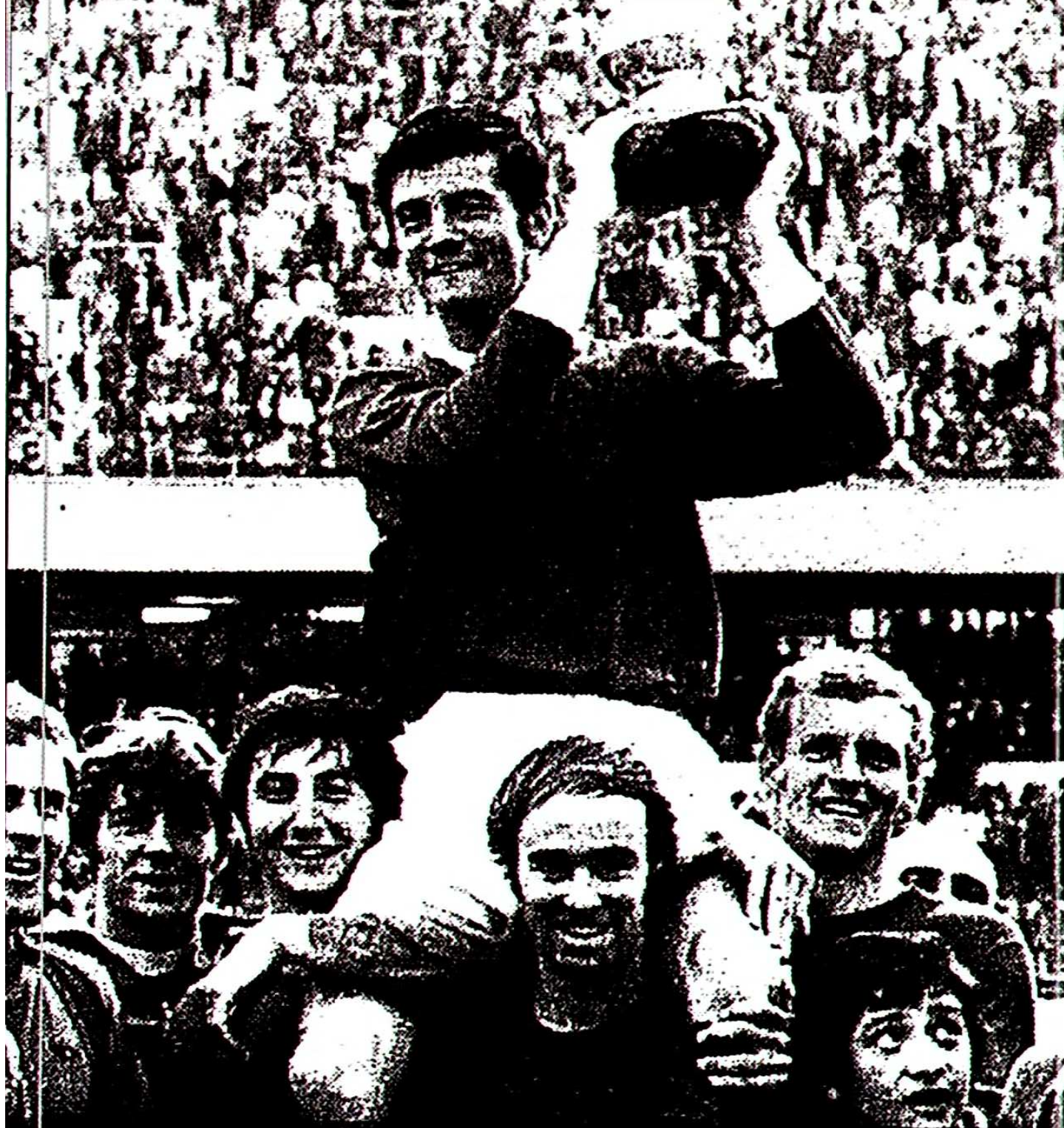
John Salako



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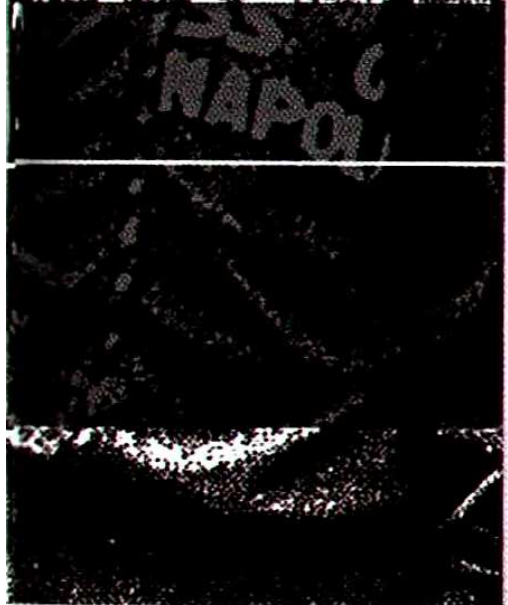
Back by popular demand (well, I liked it anyway) and after an absence of several months is the STFC gossip column. Each week, we'll fill you in on rumours doing the rounds on other websites, on the terraces, chat rooms and newspapers etc. If you have a rumour that you'd like to share, then email it to us at nick.ju@d-mc.co.uk.

In the last few weeks rumours have been rife regarding the possible comings and goings at STFC. First it was the alleged loan captures of Adam Proudlock (Wolves) and Tommy Butler (Sunderland) before Ian Woan's return was mentioned. Andy King has not hidden the fact that he has kept in touch with Ian Woan, but with the financial situation as it is (and with the embargo in place), it will be a while before the opportunity arises for him to return. Then of course we had Blackpool's bid for Danny Invericible, rumoured to be in the region of £150,000. Blackpool have been on the look out for a new striker since the sale of Brett Ormerod to the Saints, thankfully Andy King and the STFC board rejected the bid, Danny also adding that a move to another Division Two club would be a "sideways step". Finally, the appearance of Terry Brady at Town's game against Notts County sparked rumours that Sol Davis was set to join Pompey. You will be pleased to hear that the left-back isn't going anywhere...



BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY

IN OUR LAST ISSUE (NOTTS COUNTY), WE GAVE YOU THE FIRST OF TWO PARTS OF DEREK ELSTON'S STORY. DEREK, FOR THOSE THAT MISSED OUT ON THE FIRST HALF OF HIS TALE, HAS NOTCHED UP OVER 1,000 CONSECUTIVE STFC GAMES. WE LET DEREK TAKE UP WHERE HE LEFT OFF (WHICH, IF YOU CAN'T REMEMBER, WAS IN 1981). DEREK HAD JUST MISSED HIS FIRST GAME SINCE BECOMING A SEASON TICKET HOLDER...



I made up my mind that I would try not to miss another match for some considerable time, but of course you never know what obstacles may come your way? I was in a quandary when my brother announced the date of his wedding as it was the opening day of the season and Town were away to Chesterfield, what to do? Finally the Town won the day and I sent Chris to the wedding as my representative, well it's good enough for the Queen! This was followed a couple of years later by Chris's younger brother making the same error, an opening day of the season wedding. He told me though, he would not be expecting me to show for the afternoon ceremony.

Well it is now a little over twenty years since that dark December day in 1981 and up to the end of December this year 1,103 consecutive first team competition matches in all, since I have missed a match (I do not include friendly fixtures in this total). This has of course involved travelling the length and breadth of the country and even a couple of trips to Italy in the Anglo Italian Cup. I have loved most of it and have had many ups and downs watching the boys in action. I have made many friends watching the Club and still enjoy the travelling, although the mid-week games become a little more challenging as with age, as I seem to become more tired than I used to after a days work.

I hope that all the problems of the past few years can be put behind the club, although this will not be something that will be achieved instantly. I would also like to say to all supporters that it is easy to have a go at the board or management for decisions that are being made at present. If you stop and think about it, if you had the money, how many of us would seriously invest it in a lower league club like ours? Personally I would dread to think how much just watching the Town has cost over the years and certainly hope that Chris never decides to sit down and work it out. We all need to support the club through these troubled times and when all is said and done, the only constant at any football club, Swindon Town included, are the supporters. I should also record my thanks to my long suffering wife Chris for her support and patience with my hobby as it has always taken preference over anything else.



TAKING THE ROUGH WITH THE SMOOTH

IT'S BEEN AN INTERESTING COUPLE OF WEEKS FOR TOWN'S SKIPPER, ALAN REEVES. A SECOND SENDING OFF AGAINST BRISTOL CITY MEANS THAT HE IS SET TO MISS THE NEXT FOUR ENCOUNTERS (INCLUDING TODAY'S) WHILST HIS LATE EQUALISER AT THE RACECOURSE GROUND EARNED THE SIDE A CRUCIAL POINT LAST SATURDAY.

As I pen these notes, I must admit to being somewhat frustrated at not being able to play. Unfortunately, for the second time this season I am set to miss the next four games due to another dubious sending off against Bristol City. However, we do have a number of weekday games coming up and that means that I won't be missing out on four Saturdays on the trot.

Thankfully, I made sure I went out in a blaze of glory with a goal at the Racecourse Ground last Saturday, my first goal since the one I scored in pre-season against Woking. I must admit, it has been long overdue, but I was just very grateful to see it go in, especially after my performance in the week. I heard that 'the gaffer' stuck up for me on the radio after the Notts County game and that is nice to hear. But to be honest, any criticism was well justified, I felt that it was one of the worst halves I'd had in a Swindon shirt. That is why it was so nice to give the travelling fans something to cheer about at Wrexham.

Those that made the journey will know that we had to throw caution to the wind in search of an equaliser and when we were awarded a corner in the last minute, we all went up for it. When the ref awarded the free kick, I asked him how long we had left to play and when he told me, I replied that I was going to score. He said, "Go on then." And I did! Matty Heywood did tremendously well to flick the ball on and I just threw myself at it. I was chuffed to see it come off the stanchion.

As the gaffer has rightly said though, we should never have been in that position in the first place. For the second time this year, we found ourselves two goals down and again we began to play when up against it. That has got to stop because we can't afford to be giving sides head starts. In saying that, our position at Wrexham could have been even more perilous had they scored their penalty. Thankfully, Bart saved tremendously well and we knew at half time that he had kept us in the game.

Unfortunately, the second half couldn't have gone any worse to start with when they got a second. But the gaffer stuck Matty Heywood up front and we just went all out and thankfully, got the two we needed and it could have been more. 'Graz', who managed to get us back in the game with his first, came close to a second with a fabulous effort that struck the post. The one thing you know you're going to get with him is shots on target and his goal really settled us down.

We have now gone three games unbeaten without playing well at all and we must draw some consolation from that. We have shown that we are a more difficult team to beat than last season, but now we need to start showing how good we are and start racking some points up. We are still in a position in the league whereby if we lose games, we can still be dragged towards the bottom. On the other hand, if we can win a few then we can put some space between ourselves and those in the bottom four and look to concentrate on the top half of the table.

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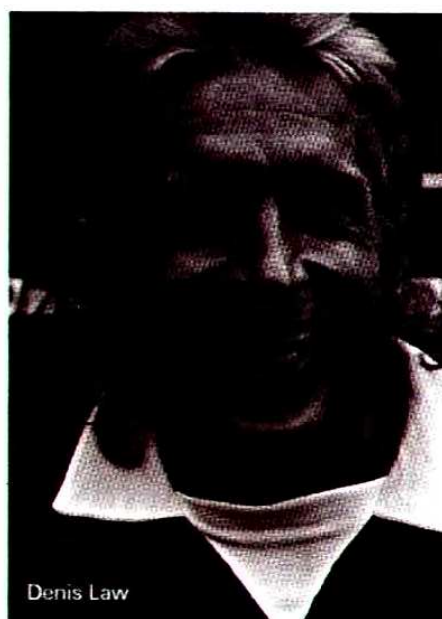


CLASSIC GAMES

England 2 Scotland 3

Home International Championship, 1967
Wembley Stadium

THE MATCH - The huge number of Scottish supporters were jubilant as their country inflicted the first defeat on Alf Ramsey's 1966 World Cup winners. Despite their near-total supremacy, there was never any chance of Scotland enacting revenge for England's 9-3 win six years earlier. Jim Baxter decided to 'take the mickey' rather than convert Scotland's superiority into goals, and the images from this game are of him toying with the ball in midfield for much of the second half. England were extremely handicapped by an early injury to Jackie Charlton, who hobbled through the last 75 minutes of the game in attack. Jimmy Greaves, in those pre-substitute days, was also slowed down by injury and Scotland took advantage with a Law goal in 28 minutes. Lennox put a more accurate reflection on the one-sided game twelve minutes before time, then Jack Charlton summed up his own, an heroic performance with a goal for England. McCalliog restored Scotland's two goal lead before the previously ineffectual Hurst headed home a Bobby Charlton cross.



Denis Law

THE PROGRAMME - By the mid 1960's Wembley programmes were more changeable and more colourful after two decades of the same format. Nonetheless, it still bought only 16 standard sized (A5) pages, headed by an aerial photograph of the stadium with spot colour of green, blue and red for decoration. Brian Glanville of the Sunday Times wrote the page three article headed 'England Roar Today?' and Gair Henderson of the Glasgow Evening Times declared, in a page 11 article, that it was 'Scots' Pride at Stake!'. Jack Rollin compiled a page of match facts and there were two action shots of the 1965 match. Detailed pen pictures of both squads filled a page each, and the timetable and programme of music was present as always. Team selections were spread over both centre pages. Even the adverts were familiar - Radio Times, Double Diamond, Bovril on the back page, and Cadets and Players No.6 cigarettes. This is by no means a rare issue, although interest in Scotland has recently edged the price up to around £5.



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GROUP A



2002 WORLD CUP

FRANCE

While coach Roger Lemerre faces selection headaches ahead of this summer's competition, critics are suggesting that 'Les Bleu's' defence could be their Achilles Heel. Laurent Blanc's retirement from the international scene has paved the way for United team mate, Mickaël Silvestre, to join captain Marcel Desailly in the centre, a pairing that had trouble containing Raul in their 2-1 defeat against Spain last March. However, with Bixente Lizarazu and Lilian Thuram also in the defence marshalled by Fabien Barthez, only the very best will be able to break France down. Arsenal's Thierry Henry has earned Lemerre's trust as first-choice striker, whilst Juventus man David Trezeguet has become something of a super-sub in late second-half appearances, such as in the EURO2000 final, where he bagged the winner.



SENEGAL

Senegal are the surprise package from Africa and the only one of the five African representatives who have never been to the finals before. The Lions came through arguably the toughest group in the continental qualifiers and seem to have the potential to create further in Japan and Korea. Senegal's qualification is a breath of fresh air for African soccer, with French coach Bruno Metsu developing a side whose foundations were laid by the veteran German trainer, Peter Schnittger. The vast majority of the team are based in France, with other Senegalese internationals dotted around other European leagues in Austria, Greece, Portugal and Switzerland. President Abdoulaye Wade even cutting short a state visit in Europe to fly home and celebrate with the players and people.



URUGUAY

The sleeping giant of South American football is about to stir. Uruguay, a nation small in size but big on soccer, is ready to return to the world stage in Korea/Japan next summer. The 'Celeste' have been a long time coming - they have reached only two of the last six FIFA World Cup™ finals, in Mexico '86 and Italia '90. However, their squad includes such big-name stars as Fabian Carini and Paolo Montero (Juventus); Washington Tais (Real Betis); Gustavo Sorondo and Alvaro Recoba (Internazionale); Dario Rodríguez (Peñarol); Gonzalo De los Santos (Valencia); Pablo Garcia (Milan AC); Gianni Guigou (AS Roma); Dario Silva (Malaga); Federico Magallanes (AC Venezia).



DENMARK

Denmark qualified for the FIFA World Cup™ finals for the third time when they thrashed Iceland 6-0 in their final 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan qualifier in October. The Danes impressed throughout in a closely fought group, from which they emerged unbeaten, having scored more and let in fewer goals than their nearest rivals, the Czech Republic. The side is peppered with top internationals, most of whom play outside Denmark. The British-based contingent includes Thomas Gravesen of Everton and Sunderland goalkeeper Thomas Sorensen, who has made a significant impression since taking over from the legendary Peter Schmeichel.





With less than four months to go until the first game kicks off, we thought it about time we got excited about the 2002 World Cup. In a new series of articles, we preview each of the groups (starting with group A) leading up until the end of the season.

ONE WATCH: ZINÉDINE ZIDANE

Zinédine Zidane learnt to play football in the back streets of Marseilles. The son of Algerian immigrants, he was discovered by a scout at the tender age of 14 and was subsequently signed by Cannes. Cannes' subsequent relegation in 1992 signalled a move for Zidane to Bordeaux, Juventus (where he'd win the title twice) and most recently, Real Madrid. 'Zizou's' breakthrough with 'Les Bleus' came in the 1995/96 European Championships before he later picked up the World Cup (in 1998 having scored twice in the final) and the European Championship Trophy (2000) - his performance earning him the crown of 'World Footballer of the Year'.

ONE WATCH: ELHADJI DIOUF

Nine of Senegal's 14 qualifying goals were scored by one man, Elhadji Diouf. The young striker, who moved from Rennes to Lens at the start of the 2000-01 season, is a powerful runner with deft ball control. In October 2001, Senegal beat Japan 2-0 in a friendly. Even before the game, Japan's national coach, Philippe Troussier, had no hesitation in picking out the key danger in his opponent's line-up. "If there's one man I respect in the Senegalese team, it's Elhadji Diouf," he said. Ironically, Diouf promptly struck home a superb free kick, and had all the world's media talking about a star in the making.

ONE WATCH: ALVARO RECOPA

Alvaro Recoba (or the successor to the great Enzo Francescoli as some might call him) is said to have magic in his left foot. Born in Montevideo on 17 March 1976, Recoba grew up in the ranks of his local team Danubio FC before one of the country's biggest clubs, Nacional, signed him at just 17. It was here, with the 'tricolores', that he scored 57 goals in 51 games. Inter were sufficiently impressed to take 'El Chino' to Milan in 1997, but his immediate task is to take his country beyond the first stage of the World Cup, something 'the Celestes' have not achieved since 1970.

ONE WATCH: EBBE SAND

Ever since Ebbe Sand scored two hat-tricks in the record space of just ten days in 1997, he has been regarded as one of his country's greatest strikers. In 1992, he moved from his home team of Hadsund to Brøndby of Copenhagen, Denmark's top club. However, he didn't sign a professional contract with the side until 1997 because he wanted to complete his engineering degree first. However, in the 1997-98 season he picked up every prize in the domestic game, as well as finishing as leading goalscorer and was named Danish 'Footballer of the Year'. Perhaps more impressive was Sand's successful battle against testicular cancer.



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FOOTBALL 2nd round-up



It was a week in which the spotlight was firmly on the Second Division. A week in which Peterborough showed what a competitive league it can be by putting in an impressive performance against Premiership Newcastle in the FA Cup; and if it wasn't for a great Shay

Given save from Neal Fenn when the scores were 2-2 with minutes remaining, who knows what could have happened? As it is, Tranmere are the only team still flying the flag for the Second Division in Round Five.

We've also seen what great entertainment the Second can bring with two live games this week on the ITV Sport Channel. Firstly, high-flying Brighton went to Griffin Park to face a Brentford team out of form and apparently out of the running at the top of the table. But what happens? Steve Coppell's men give Brighton a footballing lesson and a 4-0 hammering. At Huddersfield

we saw two teams with real play-off aspirations. Andy Booth scoring the only goal against QPR, but what a job Ian Holloway is performing at Loftus Road. Without any money and still with protracted take over talks, he is keeping his team in with a real shout of promotion. It really is becoming a fascinating season which promises an exciting end of season; we'll just have to see what happens next.

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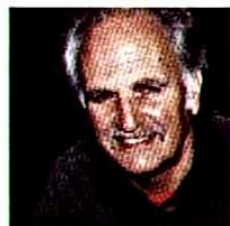
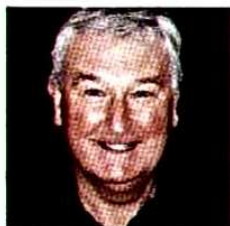
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RAIN STOPS PLAY

Town's Ladies side have now lost three South West Combination League games since Christmas: one to Plymouth Argyle and the other two to the weather.

Both Town's home games against Cheltenham and Reading were postponed due to the pitch being unfit and in total, there was only one game played on January 20 when fourth placed Cardiff City beat third place Bristol City 2-1. On Sunday January 27, the whole league programme was washed out.

Town's Reserves fared no better as both of their games were called off. However, in the 'Ambassador' South West Combination League Cup Town have been awarded the tie against Cheltenham Town by the League Management Committee because of an infringement by the Gloucestershire side. In the semi-final, Town will travel to Wales to face Cardiff City. The two sides have already met twice this season in the league and in the 'AXA' Women's FA Cup. Town won the league encounter by four goals to one but in the FA Cup the Welsh side won a thrilling tie 4-3.

The Wiltshire County Squad to face Hampshire has been announced and again the Town are well represented with fourteen players called up. Georgia Allcock, Holly Ashman, Netti Wyness, Clare Wheeler, Lucy Bailey, Katy Lemon, Kim Reeves, Laura Morgan, Nikki Relph, Natalie Zarczynski, Haley Sprules, Angie Tinson, Michele Rich and Diane George have all been selected. The match will be played at Downton and will kick-off at 7.30pm.

Tomorrow Town entertain Clevedon in the South West Combination League. When the two sides met in Somerset back in August, the Town won by four goals to nil. This match will be played at Aldbourne FC Ground and will kick-off at 2.00pm. The Reserves are in League Cup action and travel across town to meet Swindon Spitfires in the rearranged tie from last Sunday. The game will be played at Pinehurst School and will also kick-off at 2.00pm.

South West Combination League 2001/2002

| League Table Jan 28 2002 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|-----|--|--|
| Team | pld | w | d | l | f | a | gd | pts | | |
| Portsmouth | 12 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 40 | 9 | +31 | 31 | | |
| Swindon T | 12 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 47 | 17 | +30 | 29 | | |
| Bristol City | 12 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 32 | 15 | +17 | 26 | | |
| Cardiff City | 12 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 39 | 25 | +14 | 19 | | |
| Newton Abbot | 12 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 28 | 31 | -3 | 16 | | |
| Reading Royals | 11 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 24 | 21 | 3 | 15 | | |
| Clevedon/SBW | 12 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 18 | 25 | -7 | 14 | | |
| Plymouth A | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 20 | 27 | -7 | 13 | | |
| Yeovil Town | 11 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 21 | 26 | -5 | 12 | | |
| Reading Ladies | 13 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 26 | 43 | -17 | 12 | | |
| Cheltenham T | 11 | 3 | 0 | 8 | 21 | 38 | -17 | 9 | | |
| Southampton | 12 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 12 | 53 | -41 | 4 | | |



PLAYER PROFILE

Netti Wyness

Defender

Age 35

Occupation

Machine Operator

Previous clubs

Newbury, Frome Town, Preston

North End, Bolton Wanderers

Honours

Wiltshire County

Favourite team

Arsenal

Favourite Town player

Danny Invincible



Swindon Town v Huddersfield Tue Feb 5

Head-to-head - Swindon Town wins 13, Huddersfield wins 6, draws 7

Last encounter - Swindon Town 2-0 Huddersfield (County Ground)

Form guide (league) - Swindon WLLDWD Huddersfield LDWWWL

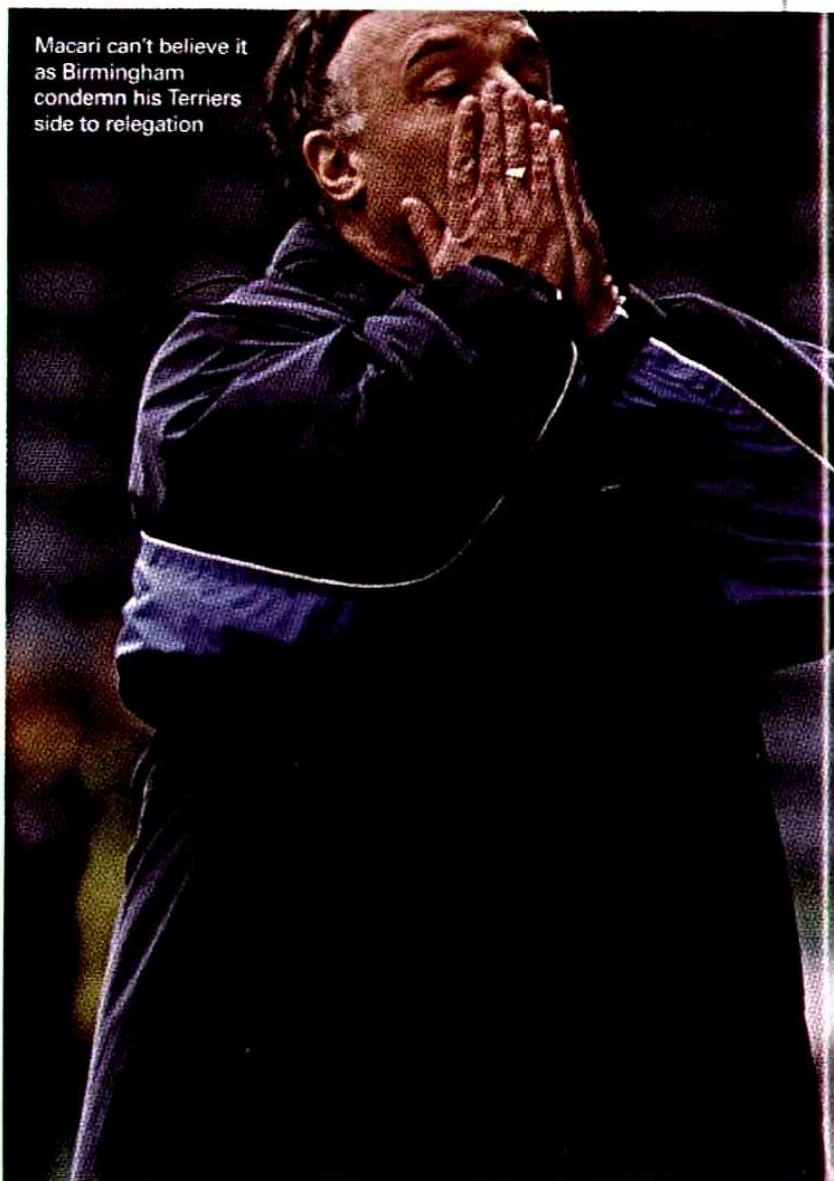
RETURN OF THE MAC

The visit of Huddersfield Town to the County Ground next Tuesday not only sees the return of Lou Macari and Chris Hay to one of their former clubs, but also an in-form Terrier's side looking for an immediate return to Division One.

Their relegation to Division Two was compounded last season when, having lost to Birmingham, both Portsmouth and Crystal Palace achieved the unthinkable and won on the last day of the season.

It was a bitter pill to swallow for Macari, a manager usually accustomed to success. Not only that, but for the supporters who, in years previous, had come so close to promotion (thanks largely to the form of Marcus Stewart) now had to contemplate life in Division Two. However, their season couldn't have started any better, the Terriers winning four of the first five games and heading towards the top of the league. But it has been their inconsistent form that, of late, has seen them take a back seat whilst Reading, Brighton and Stoke have shared top spot. This inconsistency is best highlighted by their most recent run of form, a sequence of games that has seen them draw too many games. In the last 12 games Huddersfield have drawn seven games whilst in between, they have beaten Colchester (2-1), Bournemouth (3-2), Peterborough (3-1) and Cambridge (2-1).

Macari can't believe it as Birmingham condemn his Terriers side to relegation



TICKET OFFICE

OPENING HOURS ARE:

Monday to Friday: 9-5
 Non-match Saturdays: 9-12
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 & Tuesdays: 9-3.45



Booking: 01793 536757
 24hr info: (01793) 825935

BOXOFFICE

Up-to-date ticket information for
 forthcoming matches, home & away.
 Tel: 01793 333777

HOME Nationwide

vs Huddersfield Town
 (COUNTY GROUND)
 Tue Feb 5 - 7.45pm



Tickets on sale now.

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Adults | £14 - £16 |
| Concessions | £7 - £10 |
| Juniors | £4 - £5 |

AWAY Nationwide

vs Tranmere
 (PRENTON PARK)
 Fri Feb 22 - 7.45pm



All pay on the night.

| | |
|-------------|-----|
| Adults | £15 |
| Concessions | £8 |
| Juniors | £3 |

(Travel club information - 01793 536757)

AWAY Nationwide

vs Cardiff City
 (NINIAN PARK)
 Sat Feb 9 - 3.00pm



2,000 covered terrace available

| | |
|-------------|--------------|
| Adults | £11 - £12.50 |
| Concessions | £7 - £9 |
| Wheelchair | £6 - £8 |

(Travel club information - 01793 536757)

HOME Nationwide

vs Chesterfield
 (COUNTY GROUND)
 Tue Feb 26 - 7.45pm



Tickets on sale now.

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Adults | £14 - £16 |
| Concessions | £7 - £10 |
| Juniors | £4 - £5 |

For details of the 1969 evening - turn to page 30

HOME Nationwide

vs Reading
 (COUNTY GROUND)
 Thu Feb 14 - 7.45pm



Tickets on sale now.

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Adults | £14 - £16 |
| Concessions | £7 - £10 |
| Juniors | £4 - £5 |

HOME Nationwide

vs Port Vale
 (COUNTY GROUND)
 Sat Mar 2 - 3.00pm



Tickets on sale now.

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Adults | £14 - £16 |
| Concessions | £7 - £10 |
| Juniors | £4 - £5 |

AWAY WITH THE ROBINS



Division Two Fixture
 Saturday Feb 9 - 3.00pm
 Cardiff City Football Club
 Ninian Park - 22,100
www.cardiffcityfc.co.uk



Adult fare: £10.00
 Under-15 fare: £8.50

Depart West Swindon: 12.00am
 Depart County Ground: 12.15am
 Depart Ermin Street: 12.30am

Supporters club members
 receive a £1.50 discount.

HOW TO GET THERE:

CAR - Exit the M4 at Junction 33 onto the A4232 towards Cardiff. Leave this road at the second exit. Stay in the left hand lane after the slip road and you will automatically join Leckwith Road. Follow this to the traffic lights, turn right onto Sloper Road, and the ground is on the left. Your best bet for parking is the car park at the Athletics Stadium.

TRAIN - Direct trains run to Cardiff from Swindon, but be careful on the way back - trains are not that regular. From Cardiff, take a local train to Ninian Park Station - a two minute walk from the ground.

SWIFT HALF - I don't suggest drinking anywhere near Ninian Park, but with colours covered up, St Mary's Street in town should be more welcoming.

All major credit or debit cards accepted. Hostess service hot/cold drinks and light refreshments. All coaches non-smoking. Statutory NO ALCOHOL rule applies. 24hr Information Service Tel: (01793) 825935. County Ground Booking Office (Old Club Shop, off County Road) Tel: (01793) 536757. Open: Tuesday & Thursday: 10.00am - 2.00pm, Thursday evenings 7.00pm - 9.00pm & Saturday matchdays 1.30pm - 2.45pm other matchdays from 2 hours before K.O.

check out the stats @
www.soccer-stats.com

Records

| | |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Highest Gate | 19,329 |
| Reading v QPR | |
| Lowest Gate | 2,459 |
| Bury v Wycombe | |
| Highest Agg Score | |
| Chesterfield 3 Colchester 6 | |
| Biggest Home Win | |
| Peterborough 6 Bournemouth 0 | |
| Biggest Away Win | |
| Northampton 0 Bristol City 3 | |
| Chesterfield 3 Colchester 6 | |
| Bury 0 Swindon 3 | |
| Swindon 0 Cardiff 3 | |
| Northampton 0 Huddersfield 3 | |
| Swindon 0 Stoke 3 | |
| Cambridge 0 Bristol City 3 | |
| Notts County 0 Northampton 3 | |
| Consec. Wins | |
| Brentford 7 | |
| Games Unbeaten | |
| Brighton 12 | |
| Consec. Defeats | |
| Bury 8 | |
| Winless Run | |
| Notts County 13 | |
| Total Games | 350 |
| Home Wins | 164 47% |
| Away Wins | 94 27% |
| Draws | 92 26% |

Average Attendances

| | 3000 | 6000 | 9000 | 12000 | 15000 |
|--------------|------|------|------|-------|--------|
| Bournemouth | | | | | 4,345 |
| Blackpool | | | | | 5,112 |
| Brentford | | | | | 6,423 |
| Brighton | | | | | 6,639 |
| Bristol City | | | | | 11,361 |
| Bury | | | | | 3,477 |
| Cambridge | | | | | 3,605 |
| Cardiff | | | | | 2,274 |
| Chesterfield | | | | | 4,313 |
| Colchester | | | | | 3,749 |
| Huddersfield | | | | | 10,188 |
| Northampton | | | | | 4,903 |
| Notts County | | | | | 5,281 |
| Oldham | | | | | 5,634 |
| Peterborough | | | | | 5,922 |
| Port Vale | | | | | 5,173 |
| QPR | | | | | 11,577 |
| Reading | | | | | 12,541 |
| Stoke | | | | | 13,816 |
| Swindon | | | | | 6,370 |
| Tranmere | | | | | 8,861 |
| Wigan | | | | | 5,735 |
| Wrexham | | | | | 3,722 |
| Wycombe | | | | | 6,542 |

Goals - When Scored

| | 0-15 | 16-30 | 31-45 | 46-60 | 61-75 | 76-90 |
|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Bo | 4 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Bl | 7 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 11 |
| Bt | 8 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| BHA | 7 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 6 |
| BC | 4 | 7 | 10 | 12 | 7 | 6 |
| Bu | 5 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| CU | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 7 |
| Ca | 4 | 7 | 12 | 5 | 7 | 6 |
| Ch | 5 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 7 | 11 |
| CU | 10 | 11 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 10 |
| HT | 2 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 11 | 7 |
| NT | 5 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 9 |
| NC | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 9 |
| OA | 5 | 7 | 11 | 6 | 11 | 13 |
| PU | 6 | 3 | 9 | 10 | 5 | 5 |
| PV | 2 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 6 |
| QPR | 5 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 13 | 7 |
| Re | 5 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 6 | 9 |
| SC | 3 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 13 |
| ST | 4 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 7 |
| TS | 5 | 3 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 12 |
| WA | 5 | 7 | 4 | 10 | 11 | 5 |
| Wx | 5 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 8 |
| WW | 7 | 8 | 8 | 2 | 10 | 6 |

Form Guide: Home & Away

| Home Form | most recent result on left | Away Form |
|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| LLLDW | Bournemouth | DDLDD |
| LWDLD | Blackpool | LLDDL |
| WLWWD | Brentford | LLLLL |
| WDDWW | Brighton | LWLDD |
| LDWWW | Bristol City | WWLWW |
| LDLDD | Bury | WLWDW |
| WLDWL | Cambridge | LLLLL |
| WLLDW | Cardiff | WDDDL |
| LWWLW | Chesterfield | WDWDL |
| LLWDW | Colchester | LLDLW |
| WWLDW | Huddersfield | WDDDD |
| WDLWW | Northampton | WWLLL |
| LLWLD | Notts County | LLWLL |
| DWWWD | Oldham | LLWWL |
| LDWLL | Peterborough | LWDLL |
| WWWWD | Port Vale | WLLLL |
| DWWDD | QPR | LWLWW |
| WWWWD | Reading | WWWDW |
| DLWDW | Stoke | WLDDD |
| WLWDW | Swindon | WDDLL |
| WDWDW | Tranmere | WWLWD |
| LWDDD | Wigan | DWDDD |
| DDLWL | Wrexham | DLLLL |
| WLWWW | Wycombe | LDLLL |

Clubs' top scorer & the points their goals have won

| see key below | Leading Scorer | GS | Sc1 | Sc2 | HT | Gms/Gls/Gm | Pts | Run |
|---------------|---------------------|----|-----|-----|----|------------|------|-----|
| Brighton | Bobby Zamora | 20 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 28 | 0.71 | 26 |
| QPR | Andy Thomson | 18 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 28 | 0.64 | 22 |
| Wycombe | Andy Rammell | 10 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 20 | 0.50 | 11 |
| Huddersfield | Andy Booth | 10 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 0.38 | 11 |
| Colchester | Scott McGleish | 12 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 0.39 | 9 |
| Wigan | Simon Haworth | 10 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 0.43 | 9 |
| Port Vale | Stephen McPhee | 9 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 28 | 0.32 | 9 |
| Peterborough | Leon McKenzie | 8 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 0.53 | 8 |
| Cambridge | Dave Kitson | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 0.33 | 8 |
| Reading | Nicky Forster | 14 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 27 | 0.52 | 7 |
| Bristol City | Tony Thorpe | 11 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 29 | 0.38 | 7 |
| Bournemouth | Warren Feeney | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 0.36 | 7 |
| Bury | Gareth Seddon | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 25 | 0.20 | 7 |
| Tranmere | Stuart Barlow | 10 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 20 | 0.50 | 6 |
| Northampton | Jamie Forrester | 11 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 26 | 0.42 | 5 |
| Cardiff | Graham Kavanagh | 7 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 27 | 0.33 | 5 |
| Wrexham | Craig Faulconbridge | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0.32 | 5 |
| Swindon | Guiliano Grazioli | 7 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 22 | 0.32 | 5 |
| Chesterfield | Jonathan Howard | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0.36 | 5 |
| Blackpool | Graham Fenton | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0.36 | 5 |
| Oldham | David Eyres | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0.23 | 4 |
| Stoke | Chris Iwelumo | 6 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 24 | 0.25 | 4 |
| Notts County | Danny Allsopp | 8 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 27 | 0.30 | 3 |
| Brentford | Ben Burgess | 13 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 27 | 0.48 | 2 |

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 | 0-3 Wigan |
| 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 Chfld, 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

| PU | CS | FS |
|----|----|----|
| 25 | 7 | 12 |
| 29 | 4 | 9 |
| 26 | 10 | 6 |
| 25 | 10 | 6 |
| 26 | 9 | 6 |
| 28 | 5 | 11 |
| 32 | 3 | 12 |
| 31 | 7 | 3 |
| 29 | 6 | 7 |
| 23 | 3 | 7 |
| 23 | 8 | 7 |
| 24 | 6 | 11 |
| 29 | 7 | 9 |
| 33 | 9 | 4 |
| 27 | 8 | 8 |
| 31 | 5 | 11 |
| 33 | 9 | 9 |
| 27 | 16 | 5 |
| 28 | 13 | 6 |
| 27 | 9 | 11 |
| 26 | 10 | 4 |
| 33 | 8 | 5 |
| 26 | 4 | 9 |
| 26 | 9 | 7 |

Key: GS=Goals Scored; Sc1=Games Scored 1 Goal; Sc2=Games Scored 2 Goals; HT=Hat-Tricks; Each club's leading league scorer and avg. goals per game (G/G/M). Next column shows taking off their goals, how many Points (Pts) lost. Last figure show best scoring run in consecutive games.

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

To watch these games call 0808 100 0101

Crystal Palace v Wolverhampton
Thursday 7 February, ITV Sport Channel
Bradford City v Birmingham City
Sunday 10 February, ITV Sport Channel

Charlton Athletic v Manchester Utd
Sunday 10 February, ITV Sport Select
Everton v Arsenal
Sunday 10 February, Sky Sports 1

NEW FOR 2002 - BUT WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP!

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. Have a look at a story involving one Town fan and 1000 consecutive games on page 38. If you have done anything 'Beyond the call of duty' - we want to hear about it!

REAL FANS REAL FOOTBALL



GREAT SCOTT!

Pictured here is Town supporter Michael Scott with wife, Esther, at their wedding reception in Lima on Boxing Day. As you can see, Esther is proudly showing off the shirt of her favourite English team, whilst Michael has adorned the shirt of Alianza Lima, Peru's national champions and the couples' favourite South American team. Esther is a long term Alianza supporter but she is looking forward to watching her first game in England (hopefully her first win too!). Both Mike and Esther are hoping to cheer on the Town this afternoon as they take time out on a short visit to the UK.

VALENTINES DAY BLUES

For those of you that don't know already, be prepared for strife with the wife this Valentines Day as Town's fixture with Reading has been brought forward to the 14th (Thursday). The fixture against the league leaders, which was originally planned for the Saturday, has been brought forward because it is set to be scheduled on ITV Digital (kick-off 7.45pm). Town will be looking to repeat the form that saw them win 3-1 at the Madejski Stadium earlier in the season, Graz, Danny and Jo Kuffour managing to get on the score sheet. However, the Royals are enjoying a prosperous run that has seen them go seven games unbeaten and without conceding a goal.

If you would like to show your loved one how much you care, then you can send in your valentines message to us and we will print them on our Valentines message page in the Reading programme! Send them in to either of the addresses above.

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QUICK QUIZ

HEAD TO HEAD

This week we take a look at how Town have fared against the Cobblers down the years. See how much you can remember and check your answers with those at the bottom of the page.



1. Which former Town forward (pictured above) scored the winner at Sixfields last season. And how many goals did he score in total?



2. Which former Southampton player (pictured above) played for both clubs last season?

3. Northampton's last win against us came in November, but what year? What was the score?

4. Which former Town player scored 18 goals for the Cobblers in 1989/90?

5. Who scored Town's goal in the 1-1 draw last season?

6. Who scored the goals in the draw between the two sides earlier on in the season?

Quick Quiz answers:

1. Gary Alexander and he scored ten goals last season before moving to Hull. 2. Richard Dryden. 3. 1984 and the score was 4-0. 4. Bobby Barnes. 5. Ian Wain. 6. Hunter and Graz.

25 years ago Answers (from page 49)

1) Duncan McKenzie, 2) Gordon Lee, 3) Andy King 4) Bristol City, 5) Russell Lewis.



MEMBERSHIP FEES

| | |
|---|--------|
| Adults | £5.00 |
| Concessions | £3.00 |
| <small>(Senior citizens, disabled and under 18)</small> | |
| Family | £15.00 |
| <small>(Up to 5 people, maximum 2 Adults)</small> | |

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Swindon Town Supporters Club

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Evening Advertiser 'Half time draw'

The winner of the draw at the Notts County match was Mr Y. Wolfe. The winning ticket number was 566 and paid out the sum of £230. Thank you to all those fans who support this initiative. Should you wish to pay in advance please talk to one of our match day sellers or visit our web site for details.

Disabled group

Fresh from their evening with 'Razor', the Disabled Group are pleased to announce that their fund raising has enabled them to sponsor the kit for Malcolm Crosby. Congratulations to this small, but dedicated group of fans for their hard work.

It doesn't end there as they have now confirmed that they will be running a coach to Stoke later in the season. If any disabled supporter and their helpers are interested in travelling to the Britannia Stadium, please let Ian Ratcliffe know. Ian may be contacted through the usual channels, or by telephone

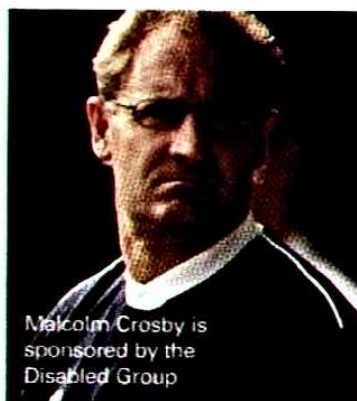
on 01451 821180. Their next monthly meeting will be held in The Winners Lounge on February 11 at 7.30pm. Please note the change of date.

Front Garden Development

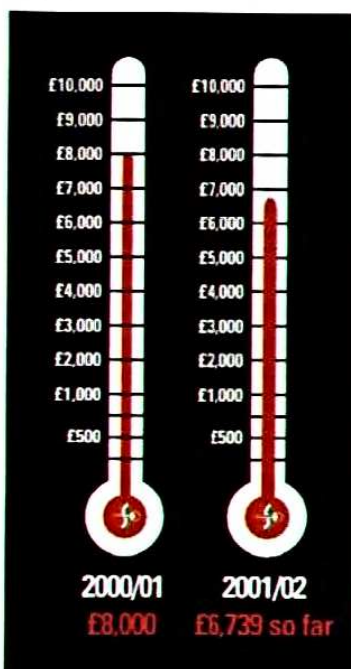
Last Thursday evening, a representative from the Supporters Club (at the invitation of Bryant Homes) attended a presentation and question and answer session to discuss issues surrounding the proposed development of Swindon's Southern Area. We will report in these notes any important facts that surfaced, in the Reading issue of the matchday programme.

Finally, can anyone in Calne help a supporter.

We carried a plea in the Bristol City programme for a lift for Bill Dolman, a season ticket holder, who needs a lift from Calne, as he is unable to drive. As yet Bill has had no response, so if you can help please ring Bill on 01249 817327. He is quite happy to contribute to the cost of the journey.



Malcolm Crosby is sponsored by the Disabled Group





Today we profile another long-term and committed fan who travels to home games from Chepstow. 80-year old Steve Ryan, watches Town from the Nationwide stand.

TALK OF THE TERRACES

FIRST HOME MATCH SEEN?

I saw my first match in 1947/48 against Norwich, a match which I think ended 4-4

FIRST AWAY MATCH SEEN?

My first away match was at Wolves.

FAVOURITE PLAYER OF ALL TIME?

Billy Lucas

FAVOURITE PLAYER IN PRESENT TEAM?

Danny Invinibile

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

Iffy Onoura

MOST MEMORABLE AWAY MATCH?

Sunderland

MOST BIZARRE STFC STORY?

My son, grandson and I left our coats on our seats at Port Vale whilst we got a drink. We returned to find that the stewards had handed them in to the police as 'suspicious objects!'

HOW DO YOU CELEBRATE A WIN?

I enjoy a couple of pints in a local sports club with two friends who support Bristol Rovers.

BIGGEST CHANGE OVER THE YEARS?

The building of the Severn Bridge has meant that I no longer have to travel via Gloucester en route to the County Ground!

PREDICTION FOR THIS YEAR?

Top 10 and the hope for a debt free club.

BODYLINE
The best of the match picture

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WITH JIMMY FRASER

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to the County Ground this afternoon for Town's game against Northampton.

Unfortunately, STFC's centre of excellence has been a victim of the adverse weather conditions this week and all of our games have been postponed. The under 12's, 13's, 14's and 15's were set to face Cardiff City, with the under 9's, 10's and 11's up against representative sides from Gloucestershire. These matches will now be re-arranged in the forthcoming weeks, we will let you know when they take off.

The last time the lads were in action was a couple of weeks ago against Swansea if you remember. The under 12's and 13's lost that day (the under 12's 2-6 despite the score being 2-2 with just ten minutes remaining). Fortunately, the under 14's put on a magnificent performance at home, winning 5-1 whilst the under 15's drew 2-2 at Allied Dunbar.

I will keep you up-to-date in future programmes of any developments.








BUILDING BRIDGES

SWINDON TOWN IN THE COMMUNITY

Good afternoon and welcome to today's game against Northampton Town. Good luck to the lads, and let's hope we will be celebrating a win at 4.50pm.



We had a really exciting evening here at the County Ground last Tuesday when we staged the final of the girls under 13's six-a-side competition, sponsored by Adidas in conjunction with football in the Community. The game was re-scheduled having been called off the previous Wednesday due to the excessive amount of rain over recent weeks. This year's final was contested between Dorcan (last year's winners) and Wootton Bassett. All the girls graced the County Ground pitch with an outstanding display of football. Dorcan took an early lead in the first half, playing some excellent passing football. In the second period the Wootton Bassett girls got stronger as the game went on, and in the dying seconds of the match they broke down the right-hand side and fired in an outstanding equaliser, taking the game into extra time. *

The additional five minutes proved to be fruitless, so the game had to be settled on a nail-biting penalty shoot-out. After five penalties each Dorcan retained the total clinching victory by two goals to one. Everyone watching witnessed a truly memorable game and all of the girls deserved a big round of applause for producing one of the best junior finals seen on the pitch in recent years. Dorcan again go forward to represent us as Swindon Town Football Club in the regional finals at Bristol in March. We will let you know how the girls fair in the next stage. Remember, the grand final is to be played at the magnificent Millennium Stadium, so there is everything to play for, good luck girls. We would like to thank Neil 'Rover' Ruddock for presenting the girls with their medals and staying behind to have photos and signing autographs.

All the best,
Clive, Jon, Luke & Nolan

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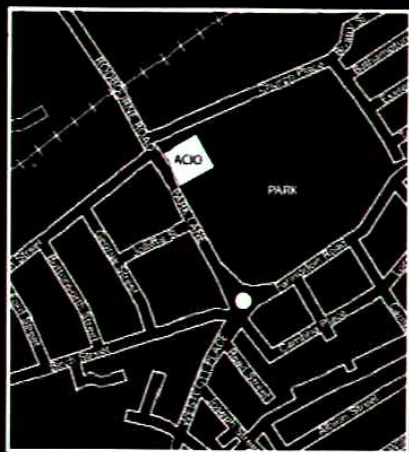
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SWINDON TOWN STUDY CENTRES

THE ACES GROUP

STFC's Study Centres are used by several different groups for computer-based learning. The ACES group are young people following an alternative curriculum course at a new centre based at Bath University in Swindon. Tony Burke manages the project and brings his students to the study centre once a week. They have made such excellent progress that we have decided to enrol them on to the European Computer Driving License (ECDL) qualification. The (ECDL) course has seven modules Concepts of IT, File Management, Word, Excel, Access, Power Point and the Internet. This will give the students an industry standard IT qualification.



RHINO'S COME TO TOWN

STFC's Study Centre has established itself as a limited company by guarantee and we are in the process of applying for charitable status. The company will be used to generate additional income for the study centres. The Leeds Rhino's are one of several clubs who are interested in following our lead. We had an excellent meeting with a director, finance manager and the Rhino's Pfs manager and have agreed to help one another in this development. I won't however, be asking for their navigation help as they went to Swindon in Gloucestershire first before coming to the metropolis!

THIS WEEK
25 YEARS AGO
WITH DAVE WALLIS

Town's long awaited fourth round FA Cup tie with Everton took place on January 29, 1977 resulting in a 2-2 draw at the County Ground. 24,357 saw Kenny Stroud strike a 30 yard, 63 minute equaliser, to take the tie to Goodison. Town were 1-0 up on February 2 through a Trevor Anderson goal when, with just seven minutes remaining, two desperately late goals for Everton saw them through to the fifth round. Northampton recorded a 1-0 win at Grimsby the same week in Division Three. Three months later the County Ground, Northampton style, was condemned to hosting Division Four football.

1) Everton's first goal at Swindon was scored by a player who had previously spent spells at Forest, Leeds and Anderlecht. Who was he?

2) Between the two matches, Everton appointed a new manager to replace Billy Bingham. Who was he?

3) Despite insisting to the contrary on Wiltshire Sound last season, one of the current Swindon Town staff played in both matches for Everton. Who?

4) After 302 games for Swindon, Kenny Stroud made 68 appearances for a local rival. Who?

5) Which central defender, on Swindon's books in 1977, made 175 appearances before switching County Grounds to play 131 games for Northampton?



with George Chadwick

JUNIOR ROBINS

A big warm welcome to our Junior Robins' members today.

Firstly, may I remind you all that the Disco originally planned for February 15 has been cancelled. Unfortunately, there was a lack of interest. Secondly, may I take this opportunity in apologising for the lack of forms for the trip to Stoke City. I assure you they will be with you shortly, so make sure you get them in as soon as possible.

On behalf of all the Junior Robins, may I wish a belated Happy Birthday wish to Megan Maskelyne, who celebrated her birthday on January 28. Celebrating her birthday tomorrow is Emma Skinner, whilst Jordan Barnes and Wendy Dunstan (February 10) Nathan Rhodes (February 16), Antonia Collett (February 21) and George Skinner (February 25) are also celebrating their birthdays this month. If you're interested in becoming a mascot (home and/or away), please don't hesitate in calling myself, George Chadwick on 01672 520679 or Rob O'Carroll on 01793 333718. Remember that all Junior Robins get a 20% discount. Furthermore, there is still a need for ball boys/girls. If you are aged 12 or over, then contact Richard on 01993 703110.

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



 service point

SOCCER CENTRES WITH JIMMY FRASER



Hello and welcome to today's game against Northampton. As some of you may or may not know, our Soccer Centres started again several weeks ago. If any of you have forgotten to enrol on the courses, now is the perfect opportunity to do so! Anyone interested in starting at one of the Centres below can do so. All you have to do is either give me a ring or simply just pop in and see me.

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 7-8 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

BAMPTON (Oxon)

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

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

All the Soccer Centres are run in conjunction with half-term, so courses vary from five to seven weeks. All the children need is a playing kit, shinpads, trainers and a drink

Goals Info:



Where



9 Goals



15 Goals



10 Goals

How

| | |
|------------|----|
| Shots | 21 |
| Headers | 2 |
| Volleys | 6 |
| Penalties | 3 |
| Free Kicks | 2 |
| O.G.s | 0 |

Top Scorers

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Grazioli | 7 |
| Invincible | 5 |
| Gurney | 4 |
| Sabin | 4 |
| O'Halloran | 2 |
| Duke | 2 |
| Osei-Kuffour | 2 |
| Carlisle | 2 |

2001-2002

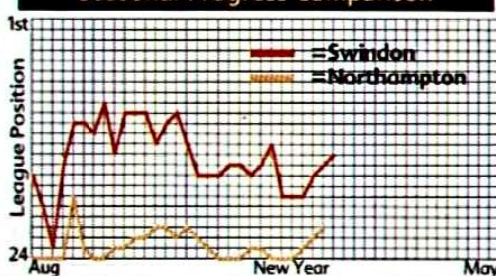
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|-----------------|---------|
| Highest Gate | 8,830 |
| vs Brighton | |
| Lowest Gate | 3,821 |
| vs Notts County | |
| Average Gate | 6,370 |
| Players Used | 27 |
| Clean Sheets | 9 |
| Failed to Score | 11 |
| Consec. Wins | 2 games |
| Consec. Defeats | 3 games |

Robins' Last 10

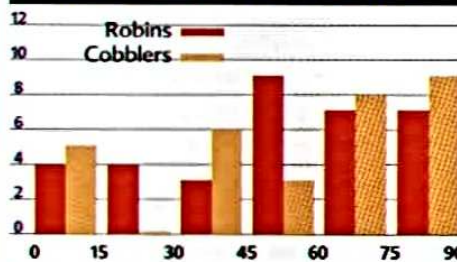
| Res | Opp | Ven | Opp Pos |
|-----|--------------|-----|---------|
| W | Colchester | A | 12th |
| D | Wrexham | A | 22nd |
| W | Notts County | H | 21st |
| D | Peterborough | A | 14th |
| L | Oldham | A | 8th |
| L | Bristol City | H | 3rd |
| W | Bury | H | 19th |
| D | Bournemouth | H | 17th |
| L | Notts County | A | 21st |
| L | Wigan | A | 18th |

check out the stats @ www.soccer-stats.com

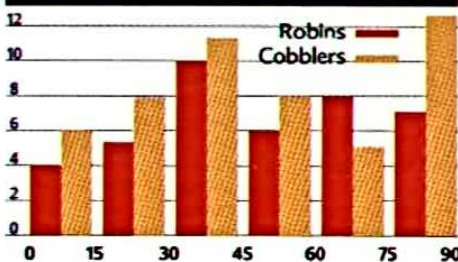
Seasonal Progress Comparison



When Goals have been Scored



When Goals have been Conceded



Guiliano Grazioli (Swindon) Top Scorers Comparison Jamie Forrester (Northampton)



| | |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 6 games | Total Games Scored In |
| 5 games | Games Scored 1 Goal |
| 1 game | Games Scored 2 Goals |
| 0 games | Hat-tricks |

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

| | |
|---------|---------------------|
| 3 games | Maximum scoring run |
| 9 games | Maximum Dry Spell |

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|---|------------------|
| 4 | Shot |
| 0 | Header |
| 3 | Volleyed Shot |
| 0 | Penalty |
| 0 | Direct free Kick |



| | |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 7 games | Total Games Scored In |
| 3 games | Games Scored 1 Goal |
| 4 games | Games Scored 2 Goals |
| 0 games | Hat-tricks |

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

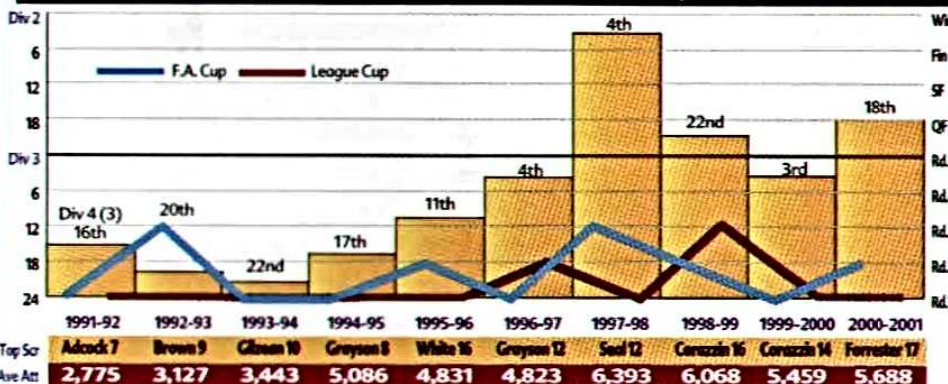
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|----------|---------------------|
| 2 games | Maximum scoring run |
| 11 games | Maximum Dry Spell |

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|---|------------------|
| 4 | Shot |
| 0 | Header |
| 2 | Volleyed Shot |
| 5 | Penalty |
| 0 | Direct free Kick |

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|--------------------|------|
| Swindon Goals | 34 |
| Swindon Games | 30 |
| Swindon's Goal Ave | 1.13 |

| | |
|------------------------|------|
| Northampton Goals | 31 |
| Northampton Games | 29 |
| Northampton's Goal Ave | 1.07 |

Northampton Town's Last 10 Years - The Complete Record



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Crystal Palace v Wolverhampton
Thursday 7 February, ITV Sport Channel
Bradford City v Birmingham City
Sunday 10 February, ITV Sport Channel

Charlton Athletic v Manchester Utd
Sunday 10 February, ITV Sport Select
Everton v Arsenal
Sunday 10 February, Sky Sports 1

Goals Info:



Where



12 Goals



16 Goals



3 Goals

How

| | |
|------------|----|
| Shots | 10 |
| Headers | 9 |
| Volleys | 7 |
| Penalties | 5 |
| Free Kicks | 0 |
| O.G.s | 0 |

Top Scorers

| | |
|------------|----|
| Forrester | 11 |
| Hope | 5 |
| Gabbiadini | 4 |
| Hunt | 2 |
| Asamoah | 2 |
| McGregor | 2 |
| Hunter | 2 |

2001-2002

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|-----------------|---------|
| Highest Gate | 5,926 |
| vs Huddersfield | |
| Lowest Gate | 3,909 |
| vs Bournemouth | |
| Average Gate | 4,903 |
| Players Used | 24 |
| Clean Sheets | 6 |
| Failed to Score | 11 |
| Consec. Wins | 3 games |
| Consec. Defeats | 5 games |

STATS 2001/02

STATS KEY

| | |
|------------|------------------------|
| GRAZIOU | Not played |
| GRAZIOU | Played |
| GRAZIOU | Scored goal |
| GRAZIOU 2 | Scored two goals |
| GRAZIOU | Caution |
| GRAZIOU | Sent off |
| GRAZIOU | Sub not used |
| GRAZIOU(7) | Sub used (time) |
| GRAZIOU(7) | 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 | Peterborough Utd | 7,934 | 0-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(7) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(7) | | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Aug 18 | (A) 3.00pm | Bristol City | 13,818 | 1-3 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(8) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(9) | | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Wed Aug 22 | (A) 7.45pm | Wolves (FC) | 7,588 | 2-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(5) | | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Aug 25 | (H) 3.00pm | Oldham Ath | 5,219 | 0-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(3) | | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Mon Aug 27 | (A) 3.00pm | Bury | 3,382 | 3-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(7) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(8) | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Sep 1 | (H) 3.00pm | Colchester Utd | 4,888 | 1-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(7) | | DUKE(5) | | SABIN |
| Sat Sep 8 | (A) 3.00pm | Bournemouth | 3,770 | 0-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(4) | DUKE(3) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Tue Sep 11 | (A) 7.45pm | West Ham (FC) | 14,536 | 0-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(3) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(10) | GRAZIOU(7) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Sep 15 | (H) 3.00pm | Tranmere Rovers | 5,922 | 2-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(6) | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Tue Sep 18 | (A) 7.45pm | Port Vale | 3,737 | 2-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Sep 22 | (A) 3.00pm | Chesterfield | 4,275 | 0-4 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY(7) | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(4) | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE(4) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Tue Sep 25 | (H) 7.45pm | Brentford | 5,519 | 2-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Sep 29 | (A) 3.00pm | Northampton Town | 5,104 | 1-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(5) | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Oct 13 | (A) 3.00pm | Reading | 14,388 | 3-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(5) | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Tue Oct 16 | (A) 7.45pm | Colchester (LFC) | 1,251 | 0-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(7) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sun Oct 21 | (H) 2.15pm | Cardiff City | 8,373 | 0-3 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Wed Oct 24 | (H) 7.45pm | Cambridge Utd | 4,882 | 2-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(2) | DUKE(5) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Oct 27 | (A) 3.00pm | Wycombe Wanderers | 7,127 | 1-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(4) | GRAZIOU(4) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Nov 3 | (H) 3.00pm | Stoke City | 7,981 | 0-3 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR(5) | GRAZIOU(7) | DUKE(7) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Nov 10 | (A) 3.00pm | Blackpool | 5,818 | 0-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Nov 17 | (H) 3.00pm | Hartlepool Utd (FC) | 4,766 | 3-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Wed Nov 21 | (A) 7.45pm | QPR | 6,867 | 0-4 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(6) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Nov 24 | (H) 3.00pm | Brighton & HA | 8,830 | 1-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Tue Nov 27 | (H) 7.45pm | Wrexham | 4,127 | 3-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Dec 1 | (A) 3.00pm | Wigan Ath | 5,836 | 0-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(8) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(6) | | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Dec 8 | (H) 3.00pm | Hertford United (FC) | 7,699 | 3-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU | DUKE(7) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Fri Dec 13 | (A) 7.45pm | Notts County | 4,187 | 1-3 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(10) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(7) | | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Wed Dec 26 | (H) 1.00pm | Bournemouth | 6,790 | 0-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(8) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU | DUKE(3) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Dec 29 | (H) 3.00pm | Bury | 7,624 | 3-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Jan 5 | (A) 3.00pm | Manchester City (FC) | 21,181 | 0-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS(4) | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(7) | | GRAZIOU(7) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sun Jan 13 | (H) 2.15pm | Bristol City | 7,273 | 1-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Wed Jan 16 | (A) 7.45pm | Oldham Athletic | 3,870 | 0-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(7) | | GRAZIOU | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Jan 19 | (A) 3.00pm | Peterborough Utd | 6,588 | 1-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS(7) | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(6) | | GRAZIOU(7) | DUKE(7) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Tue Jan 22 | (H) 7.45pm | Notts County | 3,821 | 1-0 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT | WILLIS(8) | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE | KUFFOUR | GRAZIOU(7) | DUKE | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Jan 26 | (A) 1.00pm | Wrexham | 2,879 | 2-2 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT(7) | WILLIS | GURNEY | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(7) | | GRAZIOU(5) | DUKE(7) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Fri Jan 29 | (A) 7.45pm | Colchester Utd | 3,132 | 3-1 | GREMINK | ROBINSON | DAVIS | HEWLETT(5) | WILLIS | GURNEY(2) | O'HALLORAN | HOWE(6) | | GRAZIOU(7) | DUKE(7) | COBBAN | SABIN |
| Sat Feb 2 | (H) 3.00pm | Northampton Town | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tue Feb 5 | (H) 7.45pm | Huddersfield Town | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sat Feb 9 | (A) 3.00pm | Cardiff City | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sat Feb 14 | (H) 3.00pm | Reading | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fri Feb 22 | (A) 7.45pm | Tranmere Rovers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tue Feb 26 | (H) 7.45pm | Chesterfield | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sat Mar 2 | (H) 3.00pm | Port Vale | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tue Mar 5 | (A) 7.45pm | Brentford | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sat Mar 9 | (A) 3.00pm | Huddersfield Town | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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 | Wycombe Wanderers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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

| | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 31 |
|----|----------|--------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| 76 | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE(54) | BRAYLEY(55) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON(67) | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE(52) | BRAYLEY(52) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON(67) | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE(53) | BRAYLEY(53) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE(75) | BRAYLEY(53) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| 51 | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE(72) | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES(53) | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON(67) | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE(52) | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK(103) | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS(103) | DAVIES | NEEVES(100) | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY(10) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS(78) | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK(19) | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD(18) | P EDWARDS(33) | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(30) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY(58) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES(71) | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK(17) | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD(53) | P EDWARDS(53) | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON(53) | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(53) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK(73) | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY(71) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES(73) | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON(53) | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | SCARLETT | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY(53) |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE(5) | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS(55) | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| 11 | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(55) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY(57) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| 57 | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY(57) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(58) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| 58 | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY(58) | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| 59 | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE(53) | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS(78) | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS(10) | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(72) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE(73) | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(110) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(54) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | CARLISLE | FOLEY | S ROBINSON | YOUNG(71) | MCAREAVEY(55) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | FOLEY | S ROBINSON | YOUNG(73) | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | FOLEY(73) | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY | |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | FOLEY(75) | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | | | | | |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | FOLEY(53) | S ROBINSON(70) | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY | |
| | MCKINNEY | RUDDOCK | INVINCIBLE | BRAYLEY | HEYWOOD | P EDWARDS | DAVIES | NEEVES | | FOLEY(71) | S ROBINSON | YOUNG | MCAREAVEY(6) | WILLIAMS | EDWARDS | HALLIDAY |



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| Matthew Hewlett | 4 |
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| 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 Invincibile | 17 |
| Berti Brayley | 18 |
| Matthew Heywood | 19 |
| Paul Edwards | 20 |
| Alan Reeves | 22 |
| Dominic Foley | 24 |
| Steve Robinson | 25 |
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| James Williams | 29 |
| Chris Collins | 30 |
| Kevin Halliday | 31 |



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| Micahel Laws | 29 |
| Bobby White | 30 |



Saturday 2nd February 2002
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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: M A Cooper
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TODAY'S FIXTURES

Sat Feb 02 2001/02

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



Division Two 2001/2002

| Team | P | W | D | L | F | A | PTS | GD | (as at 31/01/2002) |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|--------------------|
| Reading | 30 | 19 | 4 | 7 | 47 | 24 | 61 | +23 | |
| Stoke | 30 | 15 | 9 | 6 | 44 | 28 | 54 | +16 | |
| Brighton | 28 | 14 | 10 | 4 | 40 | 30 | 52 | +10 | |
| Bristol C | 29 | 15 | 6 | 8 | 46 | 31 | 51 | +15 | |
| Brentford | 29 | 14 | 6 | 9 | 52 | 32 | 48 | +20 | |
| Huddersfield | 29 | 13 | 9 | 7 | 43 | 31 | 48 | +12 | |
| QPR | 30 | 13 | 8 | 9 | 43 | 33 | 47 | +10 | |
| Oldham | 30 | 12 | 10 | 8 | 53 | 40 | 46 | +13 | |
| Tranmere | 27 | 13 | 7 | 7 | 47 | 34 | 46 | +13 | |
| Cardiff | 28 | 11 | 11 | 6 | 41 | 32 | 44 | +9 | |
| Wycombe | 28 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 41 | 35 | 42 | +6 | |
| Port Vale | 30 | 11 | 6 | 13 | 38 | 43 | 39 | -5 | |
| Colchester | 31 | 11 | 6 | 14 | 47 | 53 | 39 | -6 | |
| Swindon | 30 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 41 | 40 | 39 | -6 | |
| Wigan | 30 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 42 | 37 | 38 | +5 | |
| Peterborough | 28 | 10 | 5 | 13 | 38 | 36 | 35 | +2 | |
| Chesterfield | 27 | 9 | 7 | 11 | 37 | 38 | 34 | -1 | |
| Blackpool | 29 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 36 | 48 | 34 | -12 | |
| Bury | 30 | 8 | 7 | 15 | 29 | 48 | 31 | -19 | |
| Bournemouth | 29 | 7 | 9 | 13 | 35 | 45 | 30 | -10 | |
| Northampton | 29 | 8 | 3 | 18 | 31 | 51 | 27 | -20 | |
| Notts Co | 30 | 6 | 8 | 16 | 35 | 53 | 26 | -18 | |
| Wrexham | 31 | 6 | 7 | 18 | 35 | 66 | 25 | -31 | |
| Cambridge | 28 | 5 | 7 | 16 | 28 | 54 | 22 | -26 | |



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