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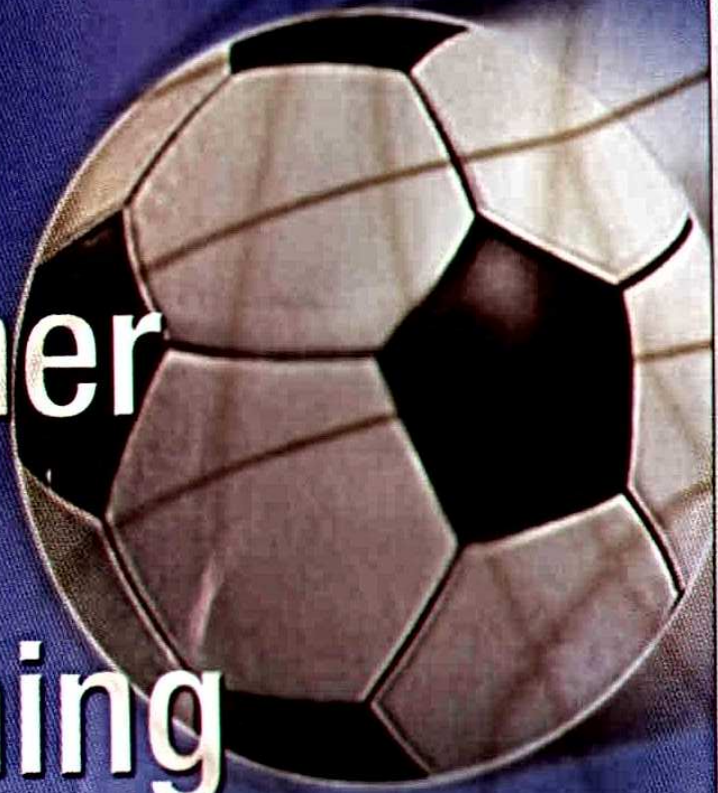
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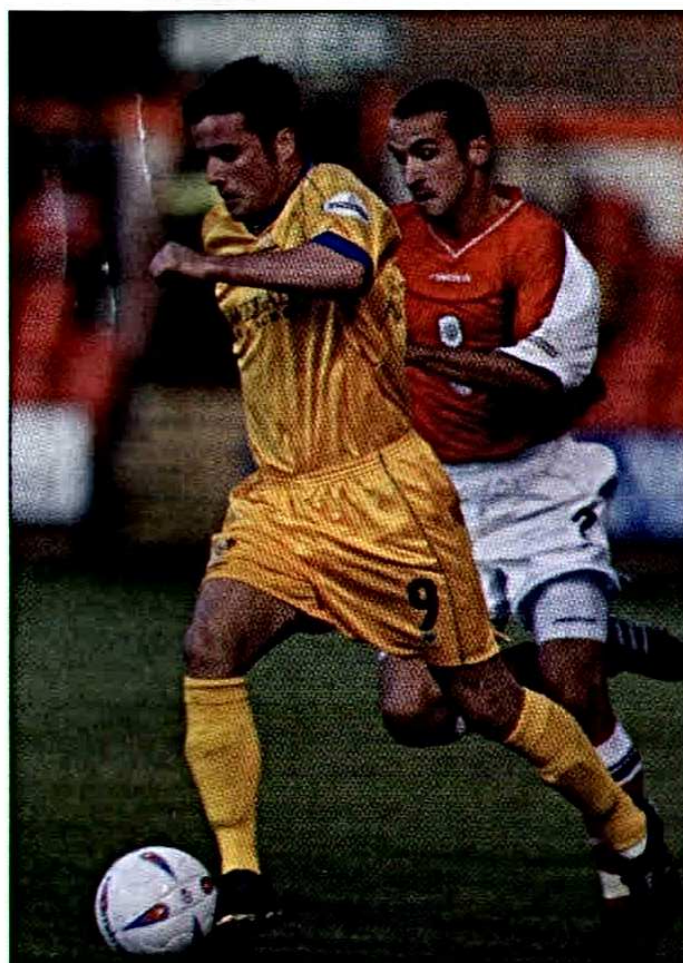
We entertain another of our local neighbours this evening in the first ever football league meeting between the two clubs.

Swindon and their supporters have had to endure some torrid times in recent years as the club has lurched from one financial crisis to another and the club's actual existence has been under serious threat.

The good news is that Swindon Town came out of a second bout of administration

at the beginning of the season and a new board of directors under the Chairmanship of WILLIE CARSON, the former Queen's jockey, seem to have the genuine interest of the club at heart. The future looks brighter than it has done for many a long year and although financial difficulties still face the board the footballing side of matters is reappearing on the agenda.

A football treat is in store so get behind the teams and let's have plenty of noise.



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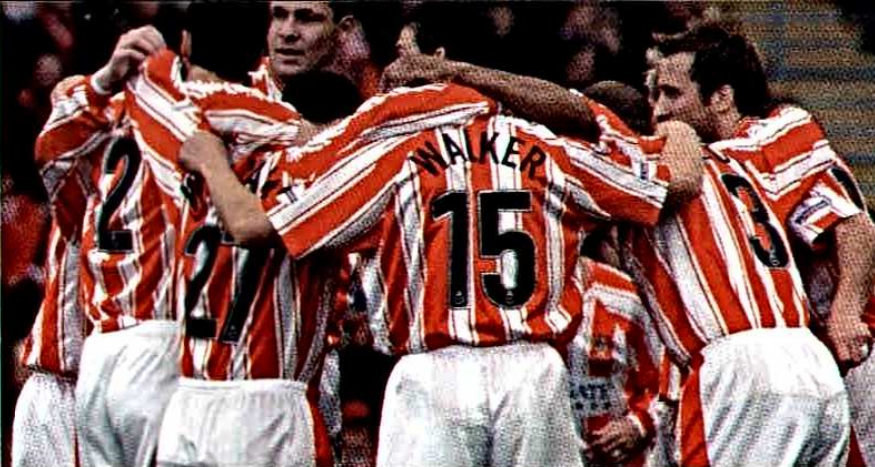
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FROM THE BOARDROOM



By Paul Baker
Chairman

I was racking my brains thinking about what I should write about in this edition when the solution popped through the letter box – the Gloucestershire Echo – or to be more precise the letters page!

The letter in question, no doubt from a regular supporter concerned about our slow start to the season, was given the heading 'Destination relegation' by the Editor. I have also received a couple of letters from disgruntled fans critical of our lack of investment.

Supporters are of course fully entitled to express their opinions both privately and in public but I have to say I am disappointed that such opinions are being expressed so early into the new season. Rest assured everybody at the club is totally committed to survival in Division Two this season having worked so hard to get here in the first place.

Despite a significant decrease in TV revenue this season's playing budget has not been reduced and whilst that budget is fully committed at present we are actively looking at ways of strengthening the squad which I hope will result in new signings in the not too distant future – watch the web site for the latest breaking news! Whatever we do however will not jeopardise our future viability and survival. Of course the real answer to new

signings is bigger gates – our average gate this season is one of the lowest in this division – despite our recent success and despite taking 16,000 or so 'supporters' to the Millennium Stadium. To realistically compete with the likes of Q.P.R., Huddersfield and Bristol City our attendances must improve. Why not bring a friend next time?

On the commercial side of our operation we have had a tremendous start to the season and already we have generated well over £200,000 against a budget target of £250,000. Well done to Marie and thank you to all our sponsors – both old and pleasingly new. Let's hope that the surplus we will achieve will not have to subsidise a shortfall in budgeted gate receipts.

Our excellent relationship with the local police combined with the exemplary behaviour of our supporters enabled us to persuade them to relax the 'all ticket' designation for this evening's fixture and last Saturday's match too. We do thank them for the co-operation and support.

Lets really get behind the team in what I am sure will be an excellent and committed local derby.

P.S. Editors note

These notes were written before Tuesday night's fantastic result against Norwich City!

The Norwich game provided ample evidence of the ability here but in truth there was little to lose at Carrow Road

GRAHAM ALLNER'S VIEW

Graham Allner



Just four points separate the top ten teams in Division Two and six of these have provided opposition in our opening eight league fixtures.

We lost five of these games, all but one by the odd goal, when the outcome was in the balance for a long chunk of games. The dividing line between success and failure is very thin at all levels and getting increasingly thinner, but it is a line we are determined to cross.

We have been subjected to the most searching of examinations early in the campaign against some of the Divisions top teams, but there has been enough evidence in this demanding programme to suggest we can exist in Division 2. These games have provided a benchmark not only for survival but for a relatively comfortable existence at this level. We have obviously not reached that benchmark yet but believe it is within reach.

There has certainly been a steep rise in standards this season with speed of thought, movement on and off the ball and quality of finishing most notable.

We have shown qualities of our own but not sustained these over long enough periods. At times we look good in possession at others we surrender it too cheaply, often in the same match. Saturday's game against Bristol City a case in point.

This suggests the ability is there but maybe there is a need to be a little stronger mentally, particularly when we lose control of games and a touch of apprehension creeps in. Confidence certainly hasn't suffered greatly despite results but I think the players may still be in need of that extra dose of belief which would tilt tight games our way.

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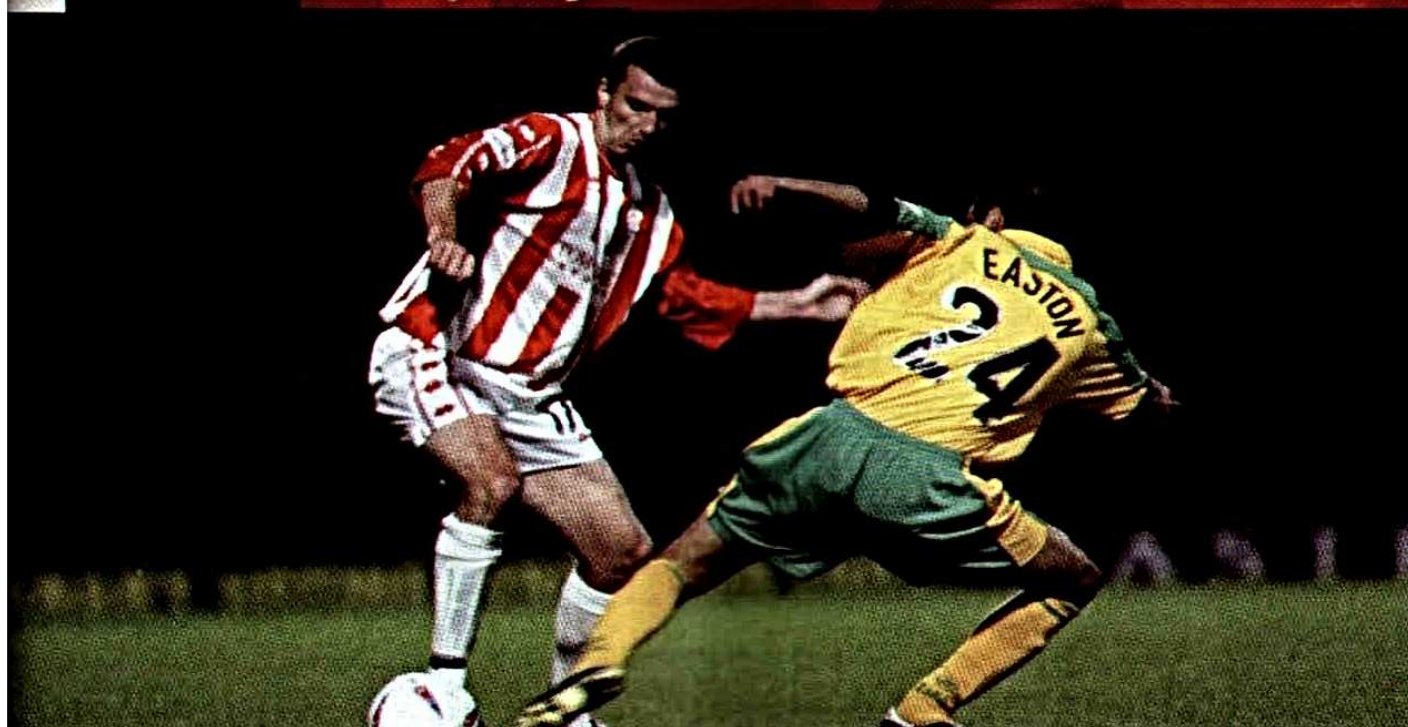
Tonight's local derby against Andy King's Swindon team provides just such an opportunity - and rest assured we will be ready for it.



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From Paul Godfrey



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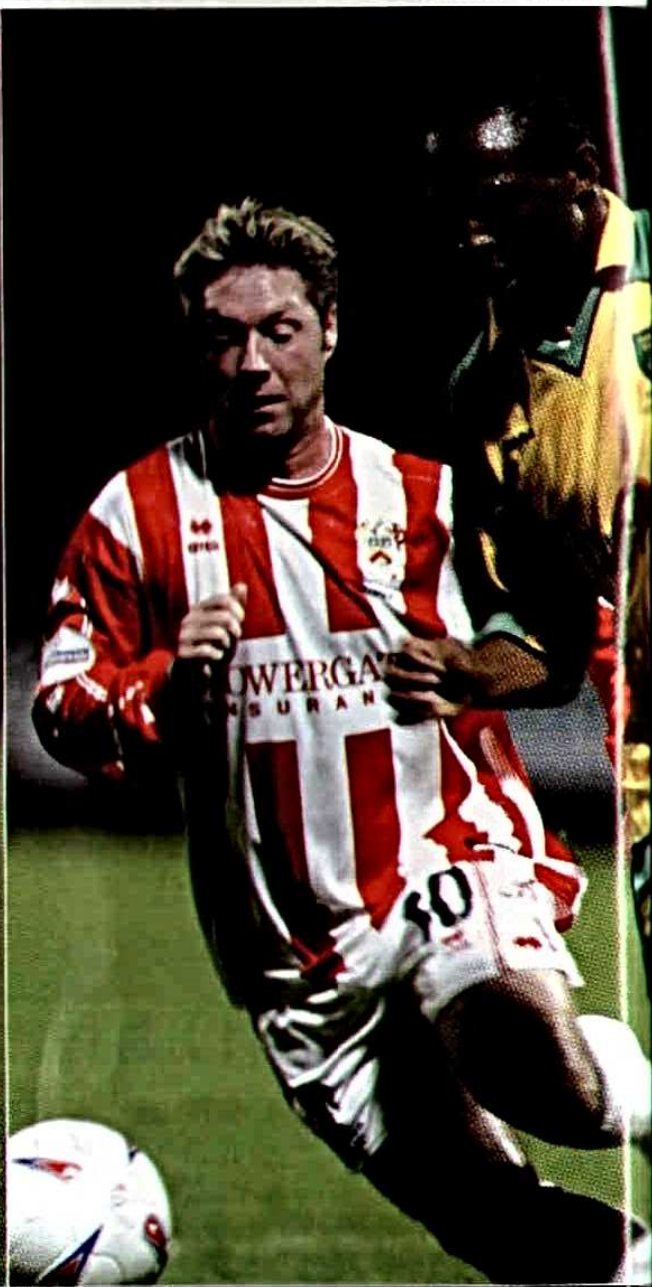
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Well, what a night this was! Before the game Cheltenham were 9-1 with the bookies to win the game while Norwich were 4-1 on favourites. Those may have appeared generous odds in a two horse race but consider the evidence: Norwich third in the Division One table with one narrow defeat all season, beaten play-off finalists last season having lost only twice at home and facing a Cheltenham side without a win in seven Division Two games. What followed was a magnificent Cheltenham performance to rank alongside the very best results of even the last few heady years of success.

The defence stood tall and strong against a Norwich team that had scored 15 goals in seven previous games this season, while the hard-working attack was rewarded with two goals for the evergreen Tony Naylor to put the team in the driving seat. Naylor capitalised on a defensive mistake to give Cheltenham the lead on the half-hour and doubled the advantage with a cool finish from a Michael Duff pass in first half injury time. Norwich tried to pump up the pressure in the second half but the most pleasing feature of the Robins performance was the way they kept the ball and kept passing, frustrating the Norwich team and making them chase. The win was sealed three minutes from time when Hugh McAuley curled in a free-kick following a bizarre handball by Norwich goalkeeper Robert Green. It was a long, but very happy trip home from East Anglia.





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NORWICH 0

NORWICH CITY (4-4-2): Green; Nedergaard, Kenton, MacKay, Drury; Notman, Holt, Mulryne (Emblen 87), Easton (Heckingbottom 62); Nielsen (Llewellyn 70), Roberts. Other subs: Crichton, Russell

CHELTHENHAM TOWN (4-4-2): Book; Howarth, M.Duff, Walker, Victory; McAuley, Yates, Finnigan, Milton; Alsop, Naylor. Subs (not used): Brough, Brayson, Higgs, Devaney, Williams

Referee: G.K.Hegley (Hertfordshire)

Attendance: 13,285

Shots on target: Norwich 3, Cheltenham 3

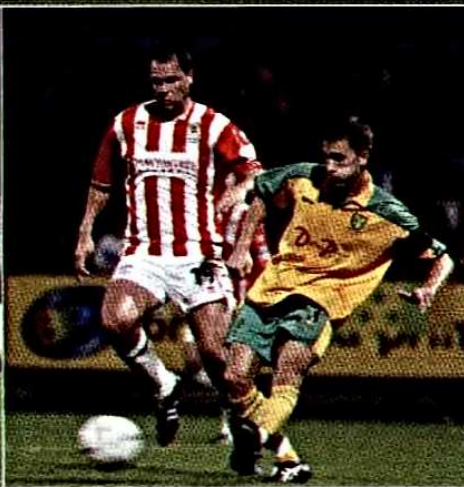
Shots off target: Norwich 7, Cheltenham 1

Hit frame: Norwich 0, Cheltenham 0

Corners: Norwich 4, Cheltenham 3

Offside: Norwich 9, Cheltenham 3

Free-kicks conceded: Norwich 8, Cheltenham 10



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One of the favourite songs of the Swindon supporters:

"Falling in Love with you,
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SWINDONFILE

Year Turned Professional: 1894
Ground Name: County Ground
Capacity: 15,728
Club Nickname: 'Robins'
Leading Goalscorer last season: Giuliano Grazioli 8
Chairman: Willie Carson
Manager: Andy King (Jan 2002)
Division 2 Champions: 1995-96
Division 1 Play-Off Champions: 1992-93
Division 4 Champions: 1985-86
League Cup Winners: 1969
Anglo-Italian Cup Winners: 1970

LEAGUE FORMGUIDE 2002-2003

Sat Aug 10th Barnsley H 3-1W
Tues Aug 13th Chesterfield A 4-2W
Sat Aug 17th Blackpool A 0-0D
Sat Aug 24th Cardiff City H 0-1L
Mon Aug 26th Brentford A 1-3L
Sat Aug 31st Stockport Co H 1-0L
Sat Sept 7th Port Vale H 0-2L
Sat Sept 14th QPR A

'Unpredictable' and 'Indecipherable' are words far too commonly used to describe Swindon Town in the last ten years. Add to that the financial instability that has enshrouded the club and what you have is a roller-coaster ride embracing one promotion, one championship and four relegations.

It seems extraordinary that it was only nine years ago that Swindon were a Premier League club and although the fans relished the experience of seeing the elite of English football every week, results-wise it proved to be a disaster.

Town managed only 5 victories out of 42 games played and conceded a century of goals including a 5-1 loss at Southampton, a 6-2 drubbing at Everton and a 7-1 thrashing at Newcastle United. They were relegated

in their one and only top flight season and plummeted straight into Division 2 a season later only to bounce straight back winning the league championship at the first time of asking. Four seasons of narrowly escaping relegation from Division 1 followed before bottom place in 1999-2000 meant another return to Division 2.

Off the field the decade was characterised by financial scandal and mismanagement and twice the club was taken into administration.

Swindon also has a history of appointing high profile managers and in recent years the hot seat incumbents have included GLENN HODDLE, OSSIE ARDILES, LOU MACARI, COLIN TODD, STEVE McMAHON, DAVE MACKAY, and last season for six months ex-Liverpool boss ROY EVANS.

SWINDON TOWN



SUPER SAMMY PARKIN

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He announced his arrival at the club with a goal in each of Town's pre-season friendlies and was already a favourite with the Swindon fans.

When he went on to bag an impressive hat-trick on his league debut on the opening day of the season against Barnsley there was hysteria among the Swindon masses, not to mention his own team-mates.

It's obviously early days but there is a feeling already around the County Ground that SAM PARKIN is just what Swindon have been missing for many a season – a natural goal scorer!

Parkin himself refuses to be overawed by this early adulation and of his hat-trick against Barnsley he modestly says:

"The main thing for me was that the team played well as a unit, and that we got that first win under our belts. Barnsley are no mugs and we outplayed them fair and square – that was a terrific start."

HINDERED BY INTERNATIONAL STARS

He showed great potential during his time with Chelsea but any hope of a first team outing was hindered by a glut of expensive international stars.

However, whilst at Stamford Bridge, he was loaned out to a number of clubs and quickly built up a reputation of being a lethal striker.

Sam joined Millwall in September 2000 on a short-term loan and made his debut for the Lions in a 5-0 demolition of Oxford United. He scored twice and made it three in two games when he scored in the next game against Peterborough United.

Two months later he went on loan to Wycombe Wanderers after having a trial with Queens Park Rangers. He scored twice in 13 games for Wycombe before being loaned out once again – this time to Oldham Athletic where he scored 3 goals from 7 games.

Last season Chelsea loaned him for the full season to Northampton Town where he managed only 5 goals from 33 starts. Not a happy experience for Parkin:

"Don't get me wrong, Northampton is a lovely club, but there was just something not right there for me and when your heart is not in it and you're the slightest bit unhappy – your form is bound to suffer."

He has settled in very quickly at Swindon:

"Since I've been here I've only been encouraged by what I've seen. The manager has been great, the players really friendly and the fans absolutely terrific."

Playing with Daniel (Invincible) and Eric (Sabin) upfront has been a real eye opener for me. Not being the quickest of players myself, their pace is absolutely frightening and it adds another dimension to my game. Their style of play gives me the licence to drop deeper and receive balls further away from goal, something I haven't been able to do for a long time."





INTRODUCING SWINDON TOWN

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14 **ERIC SABIN** **ATTACK**

Although usually an attacking midfielder the 26 year old Frenchman featured as a striker for Swindon last season. Apart from not delivering the hoped for goals, he was a great success. He has electrifying pace and his ability to run at defenders

constantly causes problems for the opposition. He joined Swindon from French Second Division club WASQUEHALL in June 2001 and boss Andy King compares him to Arsenal's French star Thierry Henry.



17 **DANIEL INVINCIBLE** **ATTACKING MIDFIELDER**

The 23 year old Australian was recommended to previous Swindon manager Colin Todd by the then West ham manager Harry Redknapp. The former MARCONI STALLION'S and AUSSIE UNDER-20 star scored on his Swindon debut in a 1-1 draw against West

Brom. He plays predominantly on the right hand side of midfield, possesses a blistering pace and his ability to run at defences makes him a great favourite with the Swindon fans.

1 **BART GRIEMINK** **GOALKEEPER**

30 year old Bart is a former Dutch Under-21 international and came to English football in 1995 when signed by Barry Fry for Birmingham City. He followed Barry to Peterborough United and was picked up by Swindon on a free transfer in the summer of 2000. Last season was his best at the club, missing only one game.

32 **CRAIG FARR** **GOALKEEPER**

Deputy for Griemink Craig has yet to start a game for Town. He was offered a professional contract this summer and initially declined the offer because he didn't feel confident enough for first team football. He's since signed and is highly rated by his manager.

2 **GARETH EDDS** **DEFENDER**

21 year old Australian formerly with Nottingham Forest where he made 16 appearances, signed a one-year deal with Swindon last month after impressing on a non-contract basis. A versatile player who can play midfield as well as at full back. He is strong in the tackle and possesses a fierce shot.

5 **ADAM WILLIS** **DEFENDER**

Willis arrived at the County Ground in 1998 on a free transfer from Coventry City. He always seems to be second choice for one of the centre-back positions but whenever called upon he always gives a solid, composed and effective performance. He scored his first league goal in a win against Port Vale last March.

6 **ANDREW GURNEY** **DEFENDER**

28 year old Andrew is a fans favourite when he charges forward and unleashes one of his piledriving shots. Andy joined Swindon from Reading in June 2001 on a free transfer. He started his career at hometown club Bristol Rovers and spent four seasons there before having a very successful season with Torquay United – so successful that Reading valued him at £100,000.

19 **MATTHEW HEYWOOD** **DEFENDER**

This solid, unflappable central defender was outstanding for Swindon last season and deservedly won no less than six 'Player of the Season' awards. He's 6'4" tall and not much gets past him on the ground or in the air. Likes to get forward on set pieces and scored four goals last season. The 23 year old was signed from Burnley at the beginning of 2001.



16 NEIL RUDDOCK
DEFENDER

Neil was brought in as player-coach to assist previous Town boss Roy Evans but after a promising start he was affected by injuries and a lack of fitness. His weekly wage is well above what Swindon can afford and he has been transferlisted. England International, and his previous clubs include Millwall, Tottenham, Southampton, Liverpool, QPR, West Ham and Crystal Palace.

10 STEFANI MIGLIORANZI
MIDFIELDER

Signed by Swindon from Portsmouth in the summer. 24 year old Stefani is a Brazilian born American but holds an Italian passport. He is the product of the American College football system and was drafted into the major League Soccer club CHICAGO FIRE before joining Everton on trial. There was no deal and Portsmouth signed him.

22 ALAN REEVES
DEFENDER

Swindon's veteran central defender had a mixed 2001-02 season. When fit and available he produced his usual battling performances and was always willing to put himself into the thick of the action and weighed in with two important goals. Unfortunately three red cards during the campaign did not help his cause. His previous clubs include Rochdale, Chester City and Gillingham.

11 DAVID DUKE
MIDFIELDER

Nicknamed 'Twinkle-toes' by some Swindon fans because of the way he skips past defenders and the way he skips out of challenges. He is a threat with his ball skills down the left wing and is a good crosser of the ball. The 23 year old Scot arrived on a free transfer from Sunderland in July 2000.

7 KEITH O'HALLORAN
MIDFIELDER

Possibly Town's most gifted midfielder as well as a good striker of the ball. 26 year old Keith is still recovering from breaking his leg against AFC Bournemouth 12 months ago.

25 STEVE ROBINSON
MIDFIELDER

The tough-tackling and energetic right-footed midfield terrier was signed from Birmingham City for £50,000 in February 2001 and has become a first team automatic choice. A former Birmingham trainee he broke into the Blues team under Barry Fry but injuries limited the 27 year olds opportunities at the Second City club.



3 JOHNNIE JACKSON
MIDFIELDER

Signed on a loan deal from Tottenham. The actual deal was delayed until last Thursday when boss Andy King discovered that 20 year old Jackson had a three-match suspension. The Camden-born youngster has never played for the Tottenham first-team but did make the bench in the last home game of last season against Liverpool.

28 NATHAN EDWARDS
MIDFIELDER

19 year old Nathan is a product of Swindon's successful youth team and signed on professional terms in October 2001. Having been an ever present in the Under 19 side he made his first team debut in an LDV Vans Trophy game against Colchester United. He made his league debut as a substitute against Cardiff last October and made his first league start at Stoke City last April.

4 MATTHEW HEWLETT
ATTACKING MIDFIELDER

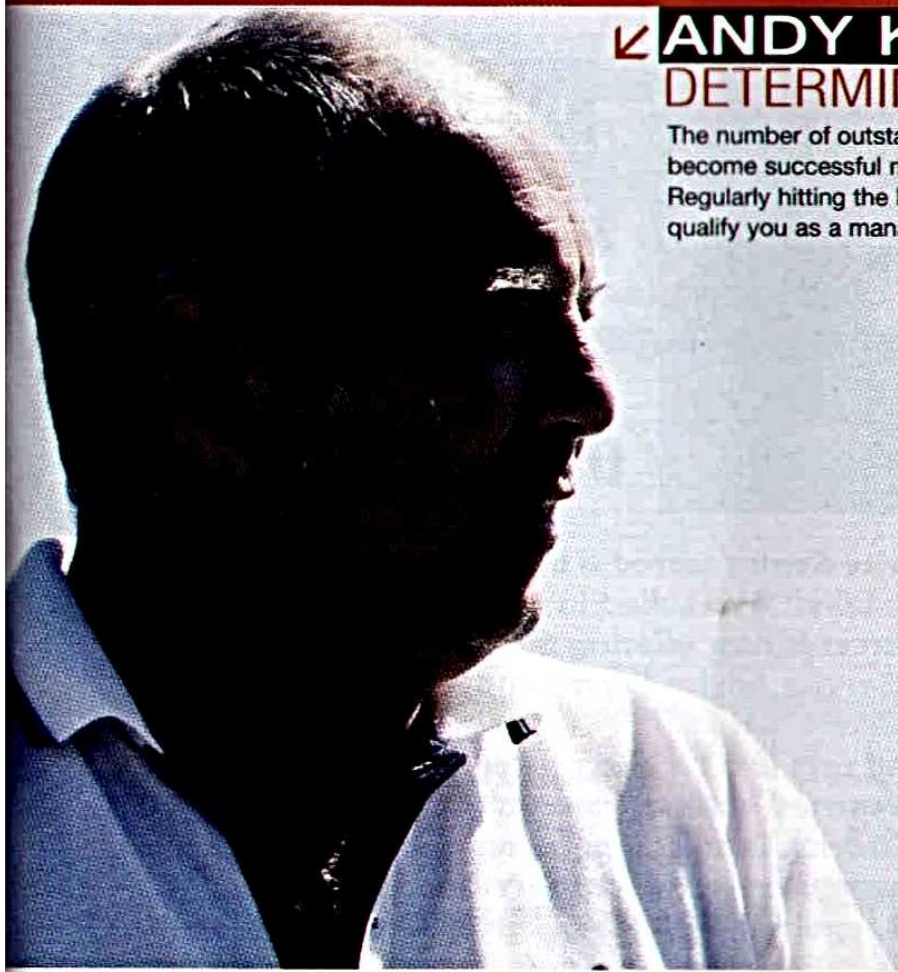
26 year old Matthew signed for Swindon in July 2000 having spent all his career with home town club Bristol City where he was highly rated and made over 100 appearances. He is a hard working left sided midfielder.

26 ALAN YOUNG
ATTACK

At 19 years of age, a product of Swindon's very successful youth set-up, Young is widely rated as one of Swindon's brightest hopes for the future. He's quick footed, knows where the goal is and loves to try his luck whenever possible. He made 7 first team starts last season and is now ready for the big time.

17 JIMMY DAVIS
ATTACK

Jimmy has joined Swindon on a three-month loan deal from Manchester United with a glowing reference from non other than Sir Alec Ferguson. He has risen through the youth ranks at Old Trafford and has played for the England Under 20 side. He can play up front but prefers to attack players from a right midfield role.



✓ **ANDY KING** **DETERMINED TO SUCCEED**

The number of outstanding players that have gone on to become successful managers are few and far between. Regularly hitting the back of the net does not necessarily qualify you as a manager of men!

One man determined to succeed is Swindon Town boss Andy King. As a player his credentials were second to none.

He first established himself as a lively midfielder with his hometown club Luton Town. But it was his next club Everton that most fans associate him with. He signed for the Liverpool club in 1976 for a £35,000 fee (substantial in those days).

IMPRESSIVE GOALSCORER

In his first stint at Everton he made 150 appearances scoring an impressive 38 goals in four seasons. He then moved on to have a season with QPR followed by another at West Bromwich Albion before returning to Everton for the 1982-83 season, where Andy played a further 43 games and added another 11 goals to his tally. In the autumn of his playing career Andy had a short period with Dutch side CAMBUUR before returning to England and joining Wolves where he scored 10 goals in 28 games. He finally returned from playing after a spell with Aldershot where he managed 11 goals from 36 games.

FIRST MANAGEMENT POST

He then turned to coaching before his first managerial appointment at Mansfield Town in 1993. He had two successful seasons, narrowly missing promotion to Division 2 in his second year, before being replaced in 1996 after

the club had dropped down to 19th place.

During his four years out of management he worked as a scout for his former Everton team-mate Peter Reid at Premiership club Sunderland, before Colin Todd took him on as his assistant at Swindon in the summer of 2000.

Three months later Colin Todd abruptly left town to join Jim Smith at Premiership Derby County and Andy King took over at the County Ground.

DOUBLE WITH SWINDON

Finishing fifth off the foot of the Second Division table at the end of a traumatic season proved to be the end of Andy's first stint at managing Swindon and he was replaced by former Liverpool boss Roy Evans in June 2001. But he was not gone for long. Evans left the club before the end of the year when the current owners took over the club and Andy King – who had taken legal action against Swindon with regard to his dismissal – was reinstated as manager on December 20 2001!

It's been a roller-coaster start to the season for Andy with 7 points from the first three games including a 3-1 drubbing of Barnsley and a 4-2 victory at Chesterfield. Then followed 6 successive defeats, three of them at home.



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Goals Scored		
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1	Headers	1
0	Volleys	1
0	Penalties	1
0	Free Kicks	0
0	Own Goals	0

Where Goals Scored



Where Goals Conceded



When Goals Scored

1	0-15 mins	2
1	16-30 mins	1
3	31-45 mins	3
0	46-60 mins	2
0	61-75 mins	0
1	76-90 mins	1

Form Guide - Last 6

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2	Drawn	1
4	Lost	5
5	For	2
9	Against	9
2	Points	1
-4	Goal Difference	-7
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LLDL	Home Seq.	WLLL
DLDD	Away Seq.	WDLL

Yellow & Red Cards

9	Yellow	13
0	Red	0



2002-2003 Attendances

Robins		Robins
20,141	Aggregate	23,751
5,895	Highest	7,564
4,395	Lowest	5,029
5,035	Average	5,938
68	% of Capacity	41

10 Year Record

Robins	Avg Pos.	Robins
94.5	among 92 clubs	45.3
919	Avg Att 1993	15,011
5,035	Avg Att 2002	5,938
448	+ / - %	-60

Top League Scorers

Player	Goals	Games
Naylor	2	League Goals
Parkin	8	Games Played
	0.25	Lge Goals/Game
	2	Points Gained
	1	Scoring Run
	0	Hat-Tricks
	1	Close Range
	1	Inside Area
	0	Long Range
	2	Shots
	0	Headers
	0	Volleys
	0	Penalties
	0	Direct FKs

Swings

CT	Games Won from:	ST
0	3 Goals Down	0
0	2 Goals Down	0
0	1 Goal Down	1
	Lost from:	
0	3 Goals Up	0
0	2 Goals Up	0
2	1 Goal Up	1
	Drawn from:	
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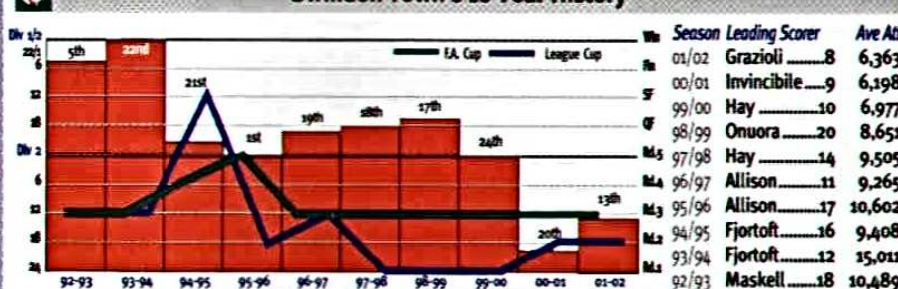
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0	Won by 4 Gl	0
0	Won by 5+ Gl	0
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4	Lost by 1 Gl	3
1	Lost by 2 Gl	2
0	Lost by 3 Gl	0
0	Lost by 4 Gl	0
0	Lost by 5+ Gl	0

Misc stats

19	Highest Pos.	1
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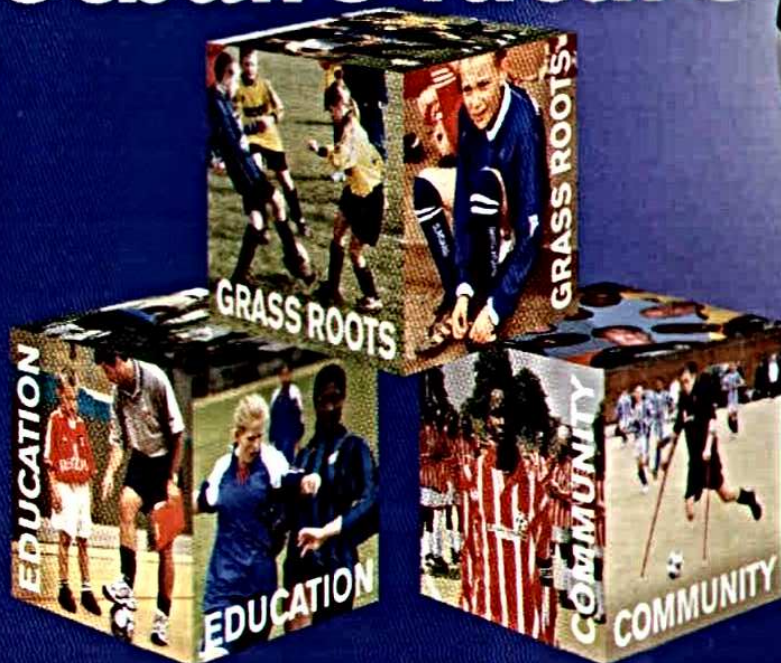
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Cheltenham Town's AGM was dominated by concern expressed at the level of attendances at Whaddon Road this season.

Chairman Paul Baker explained that although the disappointing crowds would not affect the club financially at the present time, there is still an element of concern that the people of Cheltenham are not turning out in greater numbers to support the team in Division Two.

The attendance for the visit of the multi-million pound Cardiff City side, probably one of the most attractive clubs in the League, was only 4,395 – 3,000 below capacity and featuring a travelling support of 1,200 from Cardiff.

One shareholder made the point that although the team had not made a good start in Division Two the quality of football on view was far more entertaining than in previous seasons.

Other supporters cited the holiday period, a lack of atmosphere at the ground and concerns about the unfriendly attitude of some stewards as contributory factors.



YOUTH CRIME/CRIMESTOPPERS WEEK 2002

Crimestoppers Week is taking place in Gloucestershire from 14th - 21st September with the aim of raising the profile of the 0800 555 111 anonymous crime hotline.

This year the event is themed around making young people in particular more aware of Crimestoppers and how it works.

Youth crime is very much in the headlines with street crime being tackled by every police force in the country. Many young people may hold vital information about criminal activity but are not prepared to ring Crimestoppers for fear of retribution although they want to do something about it.

Julia Richardson, Crimestoppers Co-ordinator said "Crimestoppers is ideal for someone who is frightened as it is aimed at those people who wish to remain anonymous but do not want to get involved.

" Callers are not asked at any time for their name, address or telephone number just as much information as possible about the crime.

" Crimestoppers guarantees these callers safety and

anonymity at all times both during the call and when investigations are taking place.

She continued " There is also an added incentive for callers to receive a cash reward and still remain anonymous if their information leads to the arrest and charge of an individual.

However very few rewards have ever been claimed in Gloucestershire indicating that perhaps people are happy to provide the information without a cash incentive".

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LOCAL STAR HANGS UP HIS BOOTS

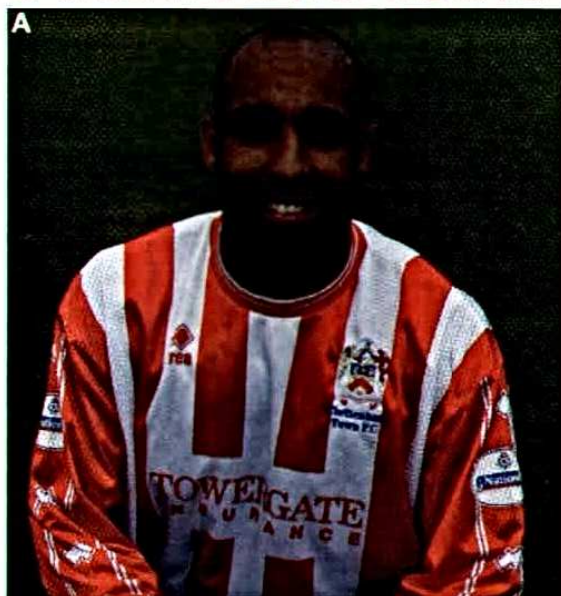
At the end of last season **STEVE LOCKETT** finally admitted that the years had caught up with him by announcing his retirement from playing, following very many years sterling service with **EAGLE STAR FOOTBALL CLUB**.

To mark the occasion **EAGLE STAR** organised a testimonial match for **STEVE**, from which all proceeds would benefit a local charity. The match, a **STEVE LOCKETT** "select" X1 v a team representing the **EAGLE STAR F.C. COMMITTEE**, took place at Whaddon Road.

To help boost funds we provided free use of the ground and with individual donations and **ZURICH CARES** matching these donations a cheque for £1,380 was presented to **CAROLINE WARD** of **WHADDON, LYNWORTH** and **PRIORS NEIGHBOURHOOD PROJECT** to help their excellent work in the local community.

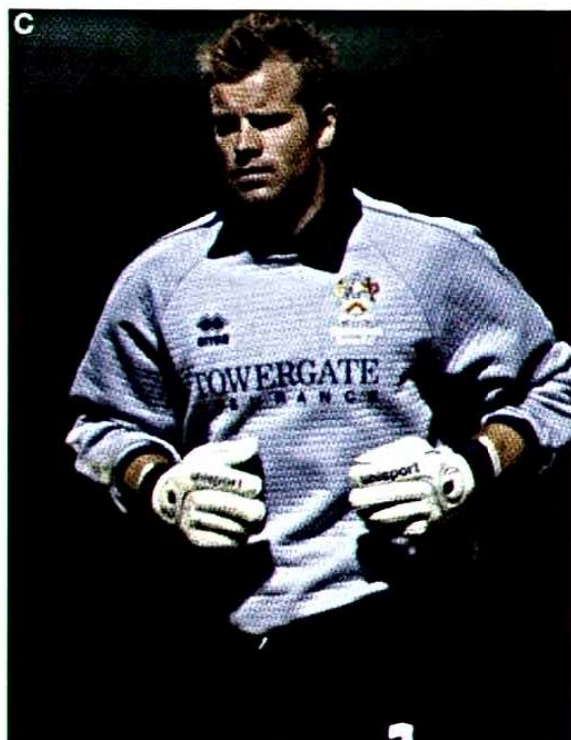
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- C Cardiff City - STEVE BOOK



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MATCHDAY REPORT FROM PHYSIO IAN WESTON

Apart from a few slight knocks and bruises following Saturday's game, I am pleased to report a clean bill of health for tonight's game.

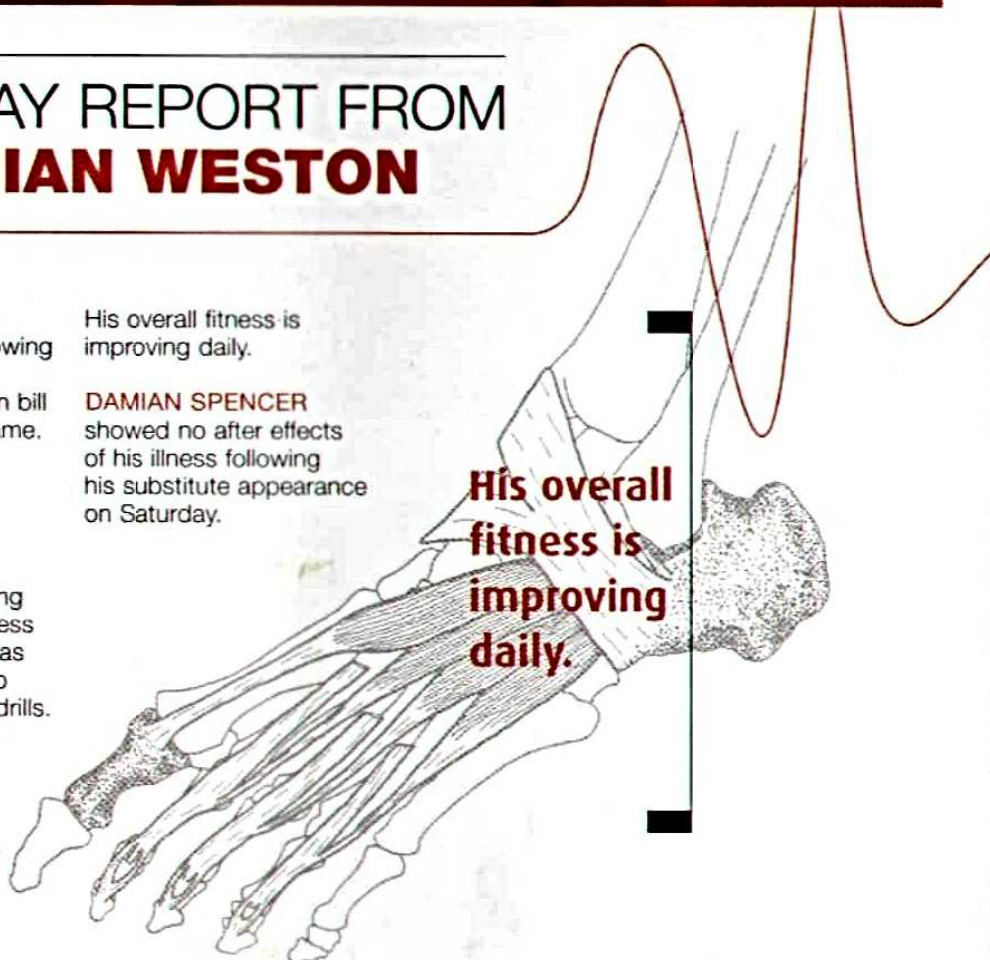
Our long term injuries continue to make good progress.

CHRIS BANKS is working hard towards match fitness whilst **LEE HOWELLS** has stepped up his re-hab to include various running drills.

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DAMIAN SPENCER showed no after effects of his illness following his substitute appearance on Saturday.

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Dear Fellow Businesses,
As Managing Director of the Warners Motor Group, I'm delighted that our company was the first to join the Cheltenham Town Peugeot Business Club. Warners has backed the club and our association has certainly benefited our business and raised the company's profile. For example, during last

season's fantastic FA Cup run, I lost count of the number of Warners supplied vehicles flooding up the M5 to the Hawthorns and that memorable performance against West Bromwich Albion. The club's recent progress has been phenomenal - witness the fantastic League Cup win at Norwich - and has proved the club is quite capable of sustaining Division Two football at the very least. Cheltenham wants and deserves league football but, as you are all aware, finance plays an integral part of future plans. That's why the Warners Motor Group and Peugeot have got behind this exciting new initiative. After all, membership entitles you to :

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I have been honoured to be asked to act as President of the Business Club and pleased that Mark Wright, GWR Centre Sales Manager (Severn Sound and Wyvern FM) has agreed to act as Vice-President. We've got behind the Business Club and we invite your business to do the same. But act quickly as we've only a few places remaining.

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STEVE MOORE MEETS UP WITH LOCAL REFEREE PHIL PROSSER



A MAN IN THE MIDDLE *Phil Prosser*

Rubbing shoulders with the likes of Joe Cole and Paolo Di Canio sounds like heaven for the football nut.

And being on the same pitch is normally only reserved for the best footballing talent. But for local man PHIL PROSSER, an RAF chief technician, it is his usual way of spending leisure hours.

Phil is now in his third season as a referee in the Nationwide League after four years as an assistant ref at Premiership games. Appearing in front of thousands at Old Trafford, Anfield and Stamford Bridge is part and parcel of his footballing life. He has already been abroad, on the line at Champions League and UEFA Cup matches.

"I love football, I really love the game and I am proud to be involved at the level I am," said Phil

38, and still 10 years away from the official retirement age for soccer referees. "And I want to go as far as I can in my football career."

Based at Smith's Aerospace in Cheltenham Phil admits that as a player he was no more than average and a big handful for referees!

"I was with 15 squadron at Laarbruch in 1989 and I had a bit of a reputation in the inter-section league. I picked up a lot of cautions and sendings off for what I considered to be silly things," he recalled.

"I was being booked every week so the guy who ran the squadron team decided it would be a good idea for me to take the referees course to get me on the straight and narrow."

Phil began refereeing in the Thetford Sunday



League earning referee of the year in his first season. He then became a linesman in the fledgling League of Wales before a career move to the RAF base at Cosford in 1994 allowed him a spell with the Midland Alliance.

Phil was then invited to be a linesman in the Football League at the start of the 1996-97 season.

Since moving up to the Nationwide League referees list, Phil has done up to 40 games a season and will probably act as a fourth official at another dozen, some of them in the Premiership.

He has also landed a few foreign assignments, Champions League



trips to Portugal for Boavista v Feyenoord and Holland for PSV Eindhoven v Benfica which are among his highlights so far. However there is a downside to being the man in black:

"You have to do a lot of soul searching to be prepared for every eventuality on the pitch" he said, recalling one incident early in his career when he was threatened by a player, which almost forced him to quit.

"You have to know the laws, be physically and mentally fit, so when you do make a decision you know you are making the right one as you perceive it. You will have players, managers and supporters not agreeing with you but as long as you can look yourself in the eye at the end of the day then that's OK.

I realise I am in the entertainment business and I will do my utmost to make sure the game flows. But players have to play within the spirit of the game and if they don't then it's sometime the referee who is seen as the villain.

In my first season I didn't have the experience to be approachable but players can now come and talk to me about anything. Communication is a big thing in football and verbal communication is better than red and yellow cards.

Prevention is better than cure."

To earn his £210 match fee plus expenses Phil needs understanding employers and that he has with the RAF. He trains on the sports field at Smith's and gets plenty of backing from gym staff at Innsworth as he follows his punishing daily fitness and dietary regime.

"I have a programme worked out for me and there are fitness tests three times a season. I do a lot of running and swimming and eat lots of carbohydrates in the days before a game. I never touch alcohol during the season because it affects your performance. If I want to get to the top I have to be as fit as I can".

A day in the life...

Oxford Utd 1 Darlington 2

At the end of last season I spent a matchday with Phil Prosser. This was his timetable:

10.00 Phil says goodbye to his partner and little daughter at their home in Tewkesbury.

11.20 Phil arrives at Oxford's Kassam stadium and is given a guided tour by Oxford secretary Mick Brown.

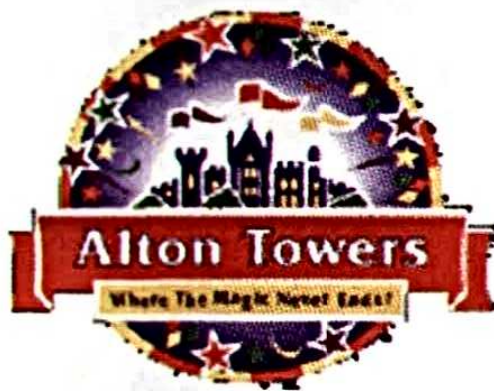
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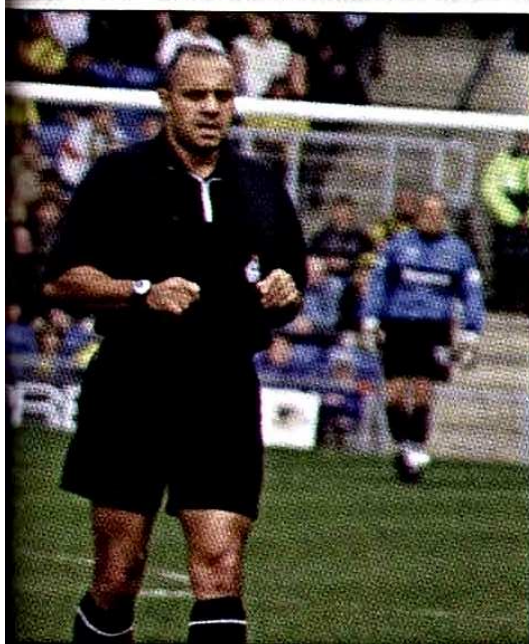
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1.00 After meeting assistants Ralph Bone and Russell Green, fourth official Trevor Kettle and assessor Ron Groves, they go onto the pitch to discuss how the match will be handled.

1.45 Phil's team is briefed on safety matters by Oxford safety officer Tony Ashley.

2.00 The managers hand their final team selections to Phil.

2.15 Phil and his assistants go onto the pitch for a pre-match warm-up.

2.50 Final instructions before taking the teams out.

3.46 Phil brings an uneventful first half to a close. In the tunnel Darlington boss Tommy Taylor wants to hand a pair of glasses to one of Phil's assistants after a row over a throw-in.

Phil defuses the situation with a joke and a smile. A cup of tea in the dressing room while an Oxford official informs the fourth official of two half-time substitutions.

4.18 Player of the year Jamie Brooks puts Oxford ahead.

4.32 It's 1-1 as Glenn Naylor equalises.

4.37 Mark Sheeran puts Darlington ahead for what turns out to be the winner.

4.39 First Yellow Card for the latest in a series of fouls by Darlington's Paul Heckingbottom.

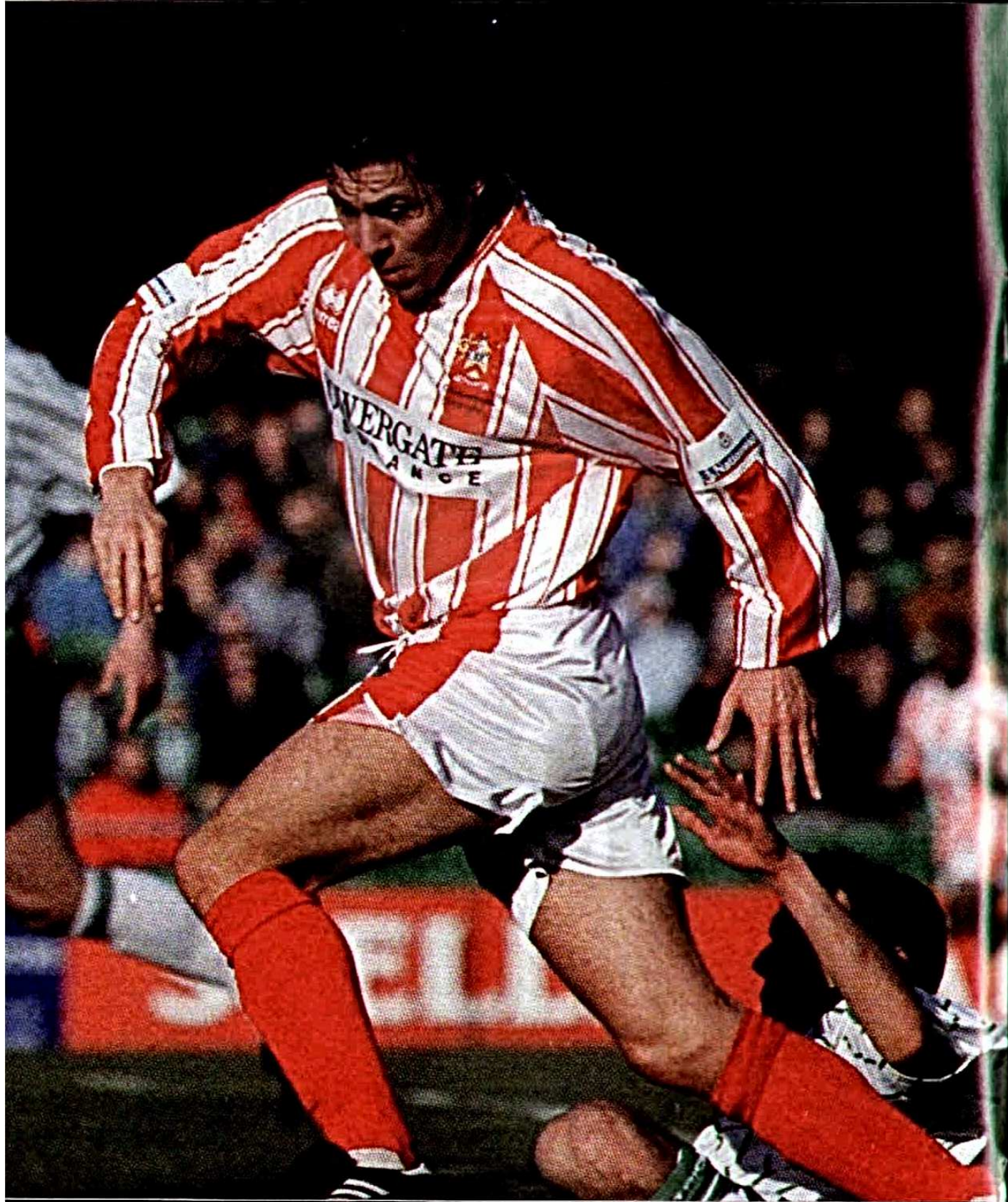
4.40 A yellow Card for unsporting behaviour to Oxford's Andy Scott.

4.42 Darlington's Mark Ford kicks out at an opponent. Phil, just yards away produces an immediate red card. Tommy Taylor later apologises for his player's behaviour.

4.54 Phil brings the game to a close. In the dressing room form-filling by all officials is required over tea and sandwiches before a lengthy debrief from the assessor. A few minor points are picked on from what is regarded as a satisfactory afternoon. Then it's into the shower.

6.10 Phil wishes his colleagues a happy summer as he leaves for Tewkesbury – and home.

A fuller version of this article appeared in RAF NEWS.



PAUL GODFREY TALKS TO HUGH MCAULEY **A SECOND CHANCE**

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"Last season things were going well for me until I pulled a thigh muscle and was unable to get fit for quite a while," said Hugh.

"I knew my time was up when we played in the LDV Vans Trophy and I got man of the match but was not involved the week after. I went to see Steve Cotterill and he told me I was not in his plans and that I could find another club. It was hard because I wanted to be involved and play for Cheltenham but at the same time I had to think about my family, so I started looking around for another job.

"I kept on trying to play well for the reserves in the hope that I could impress someone. I moved back to Liverpool in February and was staying in digs down here then I spoke to John Hollins at Rochdale, who was interested in me. Steve didn't want me to go before the end of the season, which I could understand, but then John Hollins got the sack so it was the end of that one.

"In the summer everyone knows how difficult it was for players looking for clubs so I had to be patient. Then when Graham got the Cheltenham job I met up with him and he asked me if I would be interested in coming back. There was no doubt in my mind I wanted to come back, to play for Cheltenham and play for Graham as well."

Hugh made substitute appearances against Tranmere and Plymouth then made his first start for 10 months

in the 1-0 defeat at Crewe. His positive contribution that night earned him a place in the next three matches culminating in an impressive performance and goal at Norwich.

"I wasn't 100% fit at the start of the season and I was very disappointed because I didn't want another season like last time," he explained.

"But Graham and Mike told me to stick in there and that my chance would come. Sure enough, I went on against Tranmere and did okay then got my chance against Crewe and things have been going quite well since then."

Hugh has played in the centre and on both sides of midfield this season but is currently settled on the right, a role that he says gives him plenty of chances to influence the game. He also shares the belief among the squad that Cheltenham can establish themselves in Division Two, something he is very keen to be involved in having moved back to the area once again.

"If I'm on the right and the ball is on the left then I am looking to get forward into the box, to get round Jules and Tony to give them a hand," he explained.

"But my job is to get on the ball and create things. Graham has been saying to me that he wants me to score more goals and he is right. If I can get that into my game then I will be really pleased.

"We've got nothing to be scared of in this division. We had a good point against Cardiff, the Barnsley game was a good one and so was Colchester, although we felt that if we had played a bit better we would have won.

"I've moved back to the area now as well. We've bought a house in Tewkesbury, the wife is coming down and she is due to have a baby next month so it's exciting times for me at the moment."



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IN DEFENCE OF WIMBLEDON F.C.

In the past few weeks the media, with few exceptions, has had a field day over the plight of Wimbledon F.C. and its proposed relocation to Milton Keynes. The chairman and the owners have been pilloried and the F.A., the Football League and the Independent Commission it set up have come under a torrent of abuse for allowing a move that is said to signal the beginning of franchising (a common occurrence in U.S. sport) in domestic football.

STARTING AGAIN

At the heart of all this abuse is the romance of the downtrodden Wimbledon supporters voting with their feet, boycotting the Nationwide League club and setting up their own football club AFC WIMBLEDON to begin again at the bottom of the football pyramid in the delightfully named Seagrove Haulage Combined Counties League! A capacity 4,125 crowd, with a further 1,500 locked out, attended AFC WIMBLEDON's first home fixture at Kingstonian's ground which they now share. In contrast the original Wimbledon could only muster half that attendance for a First Division game. A real David and Goliath story, it is ironical that this should happen to the 'Cinderella' of all Football League clubs. A minnow that had the sheer affrontery of not only climbing out of non-league but rising to the dizzy heights of rubbing shoulders with the elite of the Premiership – Arsenal, Liverpool,



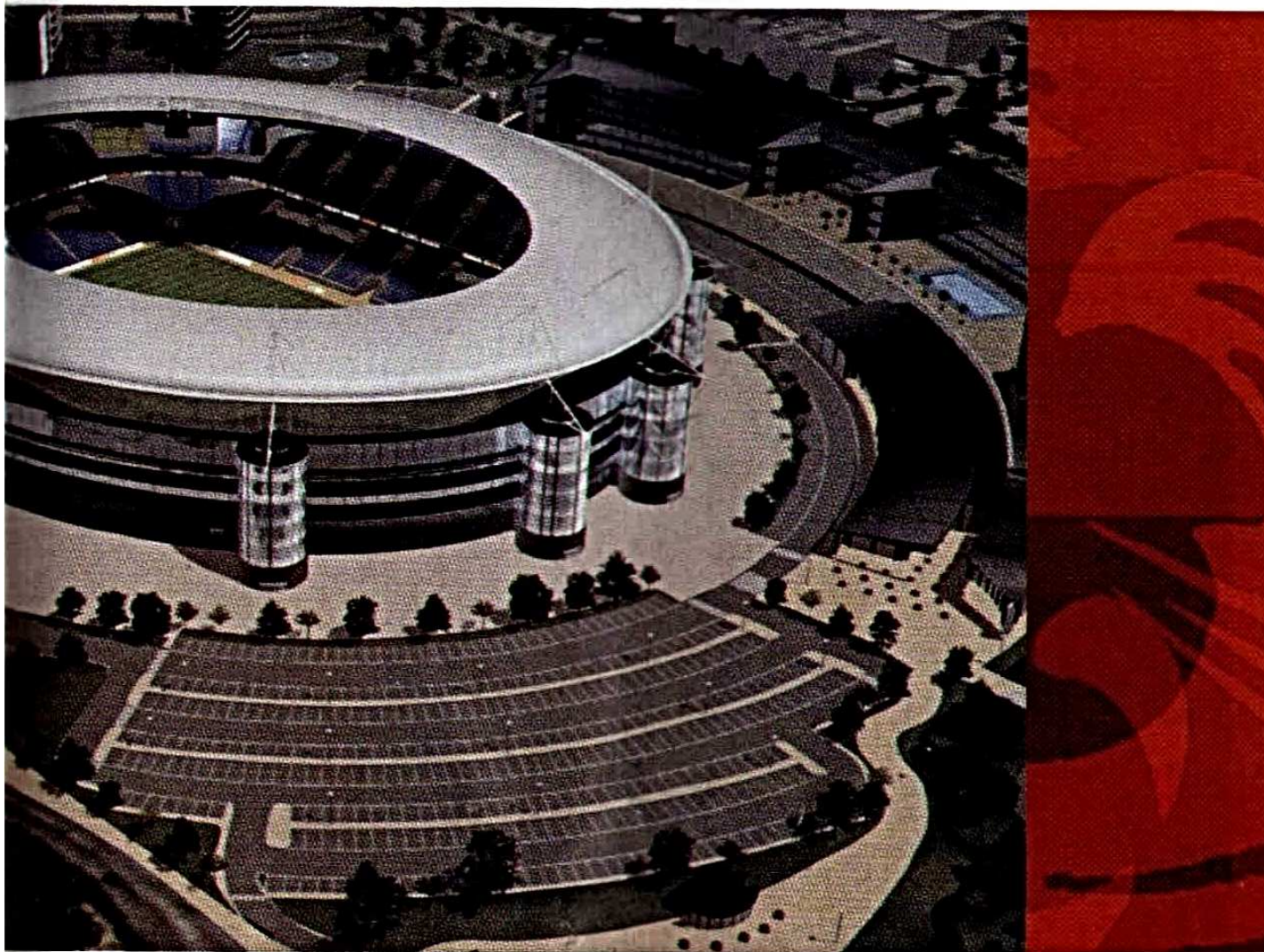
To accommodate the top grade of football Wimbledon F.C. were forced to leave their old Plough Lane ground in the borough of Merton to move into Selhurst Park, a stadium of a rival club, Crystal Palace.

EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Wimbledon's circumstances are unique and exceptional and have been acknowledged as such by the Independent Commission set up to consider their case and yet barely mentioned by the media.

- The club has been homeless for over 10 years and its current tenancy at Selhurst Park denies the club income which is available to all other clubs.
- Last season the club was losing £20,000 per day and only survives through regular and substantial payments to the Club by its shareholders.

- The club has never been well supported and out of its 3,400 season ticket holders last season only 640 live within the Wimbledon area.
- Over the last five years the club, together with Merton Council, has explored 14 different sites in the Wimbledon area without success, including its old Plough Lane stadium. Safeway, who own this site, have been refused planning permission for a supermarket because ... "it has been redesignated as a site for housing development."
- The club has approached 34 local authorities within a 25-mile radius of Wimbledon. Not one wished for the establishment of the club within its area.
- Wimbledon is not alone in having ground development problems in the Greater London area. An increasing population puts pressure on land usage and protection of the Green Belt. Brentford has serious problems in plans for



a new stadium; Fulham have serious legal issues with local residents to overcome before they can start redeveloping Craven Cottage and may end up permanently ground-sharing with QPR whilst Barnet's whole future is in the balance because the local council have so far blocked plans for relocation to a new stadium as well as the redevelopment of their current ground. Without this Barnet are barred from the Football League and cannot even participate in this season's LDV Vans Trophy.

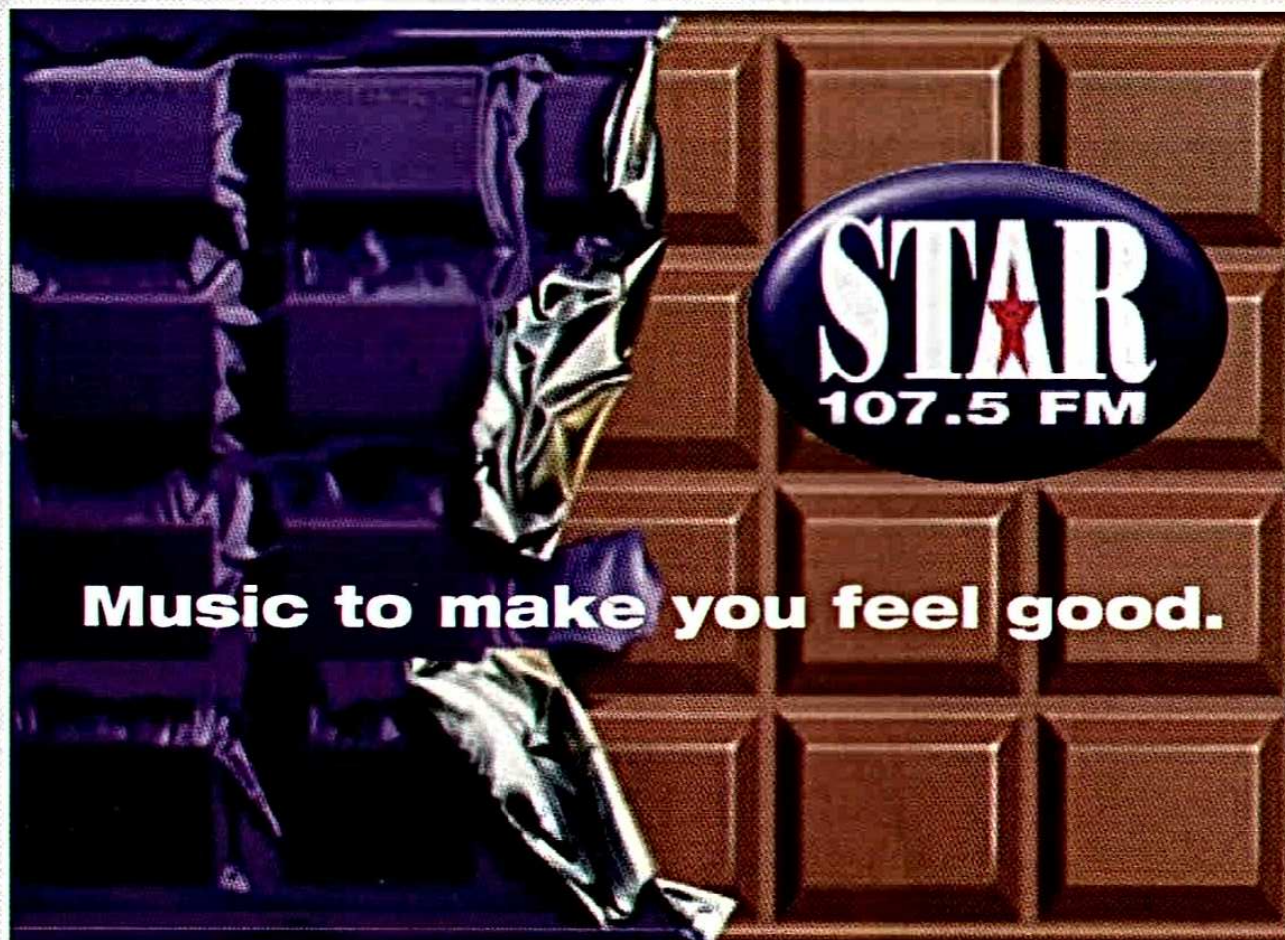
SALVATION OUTSIDE LONDON

Is it any wonder then that Wimbledon F.C. looked further afield than South West London for salvation. In 2001 the club was approached by the Milton Keynes Stadium Consortium to be the tenant in the new stadium planned for the area – an all-seater stadium holding 28,000 with a potential to increase its capacity to 45,000.

The truth is that Wimbledon F.C. was faced with moving to Milton Keynes or the very real possibility of going out of business. It has promised to help the Dons fans get to see the team play by providing subsidised organised travel, subsidised season tickets, subsidised matchday tickets and a 50% discount on carparking.

The Independent Commission recognised the special circumstances surrounding this unique Club. The Football League has given its support for the relocation to Milton Keynes whilst reiterating that this in no way signals the beginning of franchising. Time will tell.....

Wimbledon's move to Milton Keynes could be only weeks away after they were granted planning permission last week to build a temporary ground at the National Hockey Stadium.



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TRANMERE

Tranmere Rovers have appointed **RAY MATHIAS** as their manager following his successful spell as caretaker boss since the beginning of the season. 55 year old **MATHIAS** who made 637 appearances for Rovers between 1967 and 1984 has been standing in since **DAVE WATSON'S** dismissal following a 7-1 pre-season defeat to Birmingham City.

TRANSFER ACTIVITY

The controversial transfer window closure for Premiership clubs at the end of last month sparked off some transfer activity in Division 2.

- Former Charlton striker **BRADLEY ALLEN** joined **PETERBOROUGH UNITED** on a four month contract after being released by Grimsby in the summer.
- Arsenal youngster **JEROME THOMAS** has rejoined QPR on loan for two months. The 19 year old midfielder had a successful spell with the club last season.
- **GARY JONES** has returned to **TRANMERE ROVERS** on a month's loan from Nottingham Forest. **JONES** played more than 200 games for **ROVERS** before joining the First

Division side in July 2000.

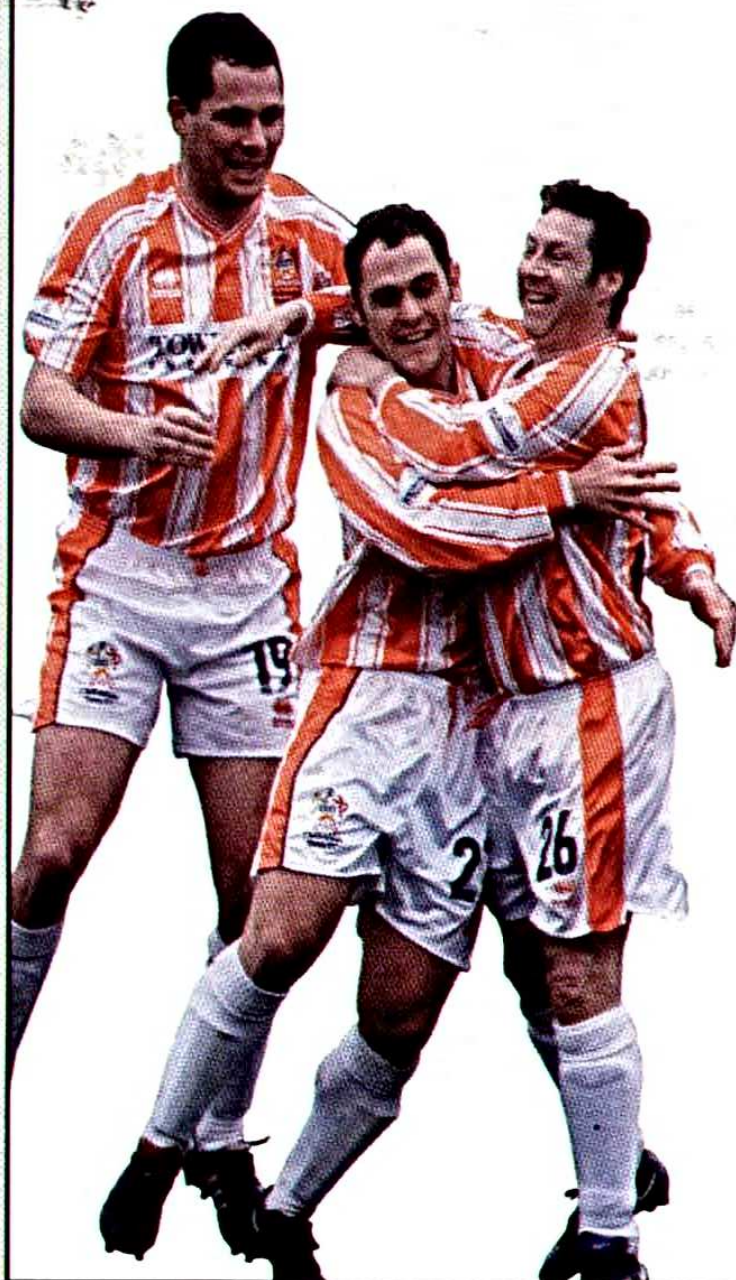
- **COLCHESTER UNITED** have signed defender **SAM STOCKLEY** on a month's loan from Oxford United.
- Defender **SAGI BURTON** has left CREWE for **PETERBOROUGH UNITED** on a one year deal.
- **HUDDERSFIELD TOWN** have completed the signing of Scotland international **KEVIN GALLACHER** on a non-contract week to week basis. The 35 year old seemed destined for Scottish club Motherwell just days earlier but the move collapsed.

HUDDERSFIELD TOWN

The Yorkshire club have fallen foul of Hollywood movie hardman, the legendary **CHARLES BRONSON**. The actor has demanded £218 after being featured in the club's end-of-season video. The Terriers used film of **BRONSON** tunnelling to freedom in the film **THE GREAT ESCAPE**. Permission had been obtained from MGM to use the clip, but not from the actor's agent. **BRONSON** is reported to have refused the offer of a free copy of the video and two free tickets for the next home game in lieu of payment!

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All us mascots like to help our communities and local charities, so this year I'll be running the Grand National to raise money for The Cheltenham General Hospital Children's Ward Appeal. It's a charity which the supporters want to help this year.

If you'd like to sponsor me for doing the race, then please pop into the Club Shop or the Echo Office in town, where there are collection points. If you can give 50 p or more you can enter the prize draw for my Queen's mascot, which I was showing round before the Wigan game. It's a special one-off toy mascot of a Corgi in an England shirt, so it'll be a collector's item to mark the Jubilee! We'll announce the winner at the QPR home game, and I'll tell you how I did at the

race in the programme. The race should take me about 50 seconds to do.

It doesn't sound a lot, but us mascots are big creatures and there are several jumps to leap over! So a 50p donation will mean you're sponsoring me a penny a second!

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THE JUNIOR ROBINS

BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS from WHADDNEY and ALL THE CHELTENHAM TOWN PLAYERS to the following Junior Robins:

THOMAS BRADY
who was 10 on Sunday

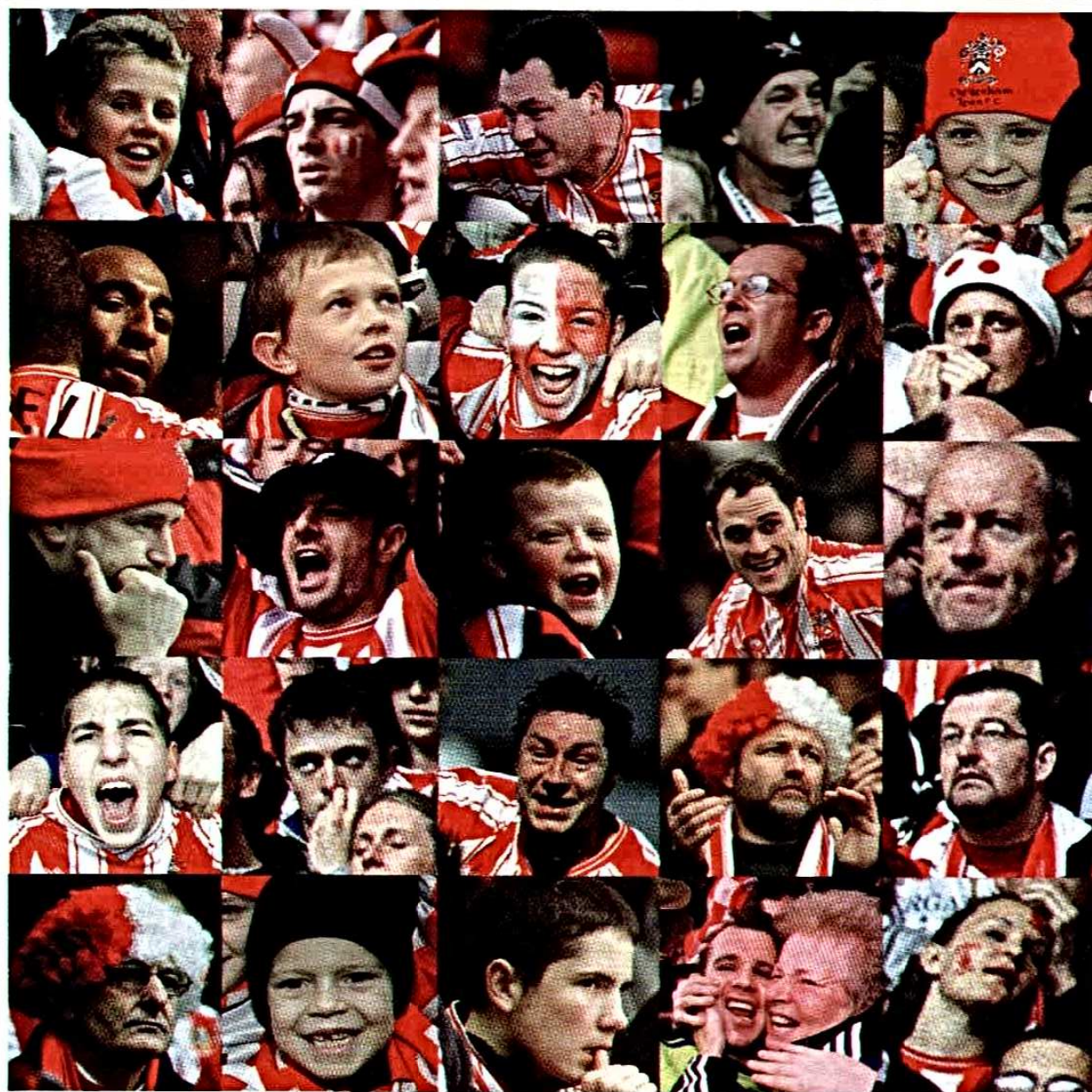
WILLIAM ROTHWELL
who will be 11 next Thursday

SAM TOWNSEND
*who will be 11 on Thursday
September 26th*

RUBY JENKINS
*who will be 12 on Friday
September 27th*

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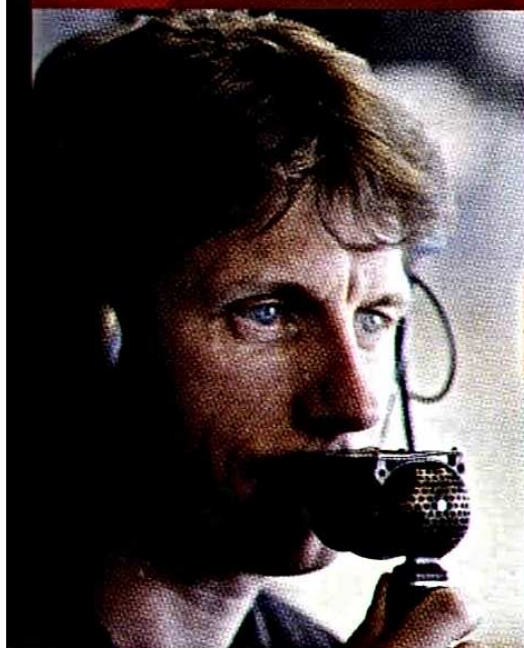
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I've always been a bit dismissive of people who claim to follow two clubs- you know the sort, they usually have Manchester United as one of their teams.

However in my case, for the last three years I have followed two league clubs.....and tonight they meet for the first time in competitive fixture, although I have seen them play at Whaddon Road in a pre-season friendly in the past. Let me explain. It is all the fault of my Dad really. He was born and bred in Swindon, and although he has lived in Cheltenham since the 1950's he has maintained his loyalty to his home town club. As a result my childhood was spent watching both sides on a regular basis- like many of you, I'm sure, I had good cause to be grateful to my Dad for taking me along to games from an early age. Consequently, I've seen many Swindon matches down the years, both home and away, and have seen them play on grounds ranging from Hartlepool (whilst I was at College in the North East -there were 21 of us down the away end) to Anfield (where there were rather more). Most of these have been spent with Dad, and one of his closest friends, my Uncle Roy.

He is one of life's great optimists, which is quite an achievement when you've followed Swindon for as long as he has. Many is the time in my childhood that he has reassured me that "everything will be all right" as Swindon went a goal behind. Usually he was wrong, but it made me feel better at the time.

Swindon, like Cheltenham now, had a great run over a short period, which culminated in one brief season in the Premiership in 1993-4. On the surface, there are several similarities. Swindon lost their very successful manager after a play-off final (Glenn Hoddle), promoted his number two to manager (John Gorman, who, like Graham Allner is one of the most decent blokes you could hope to meet), and were promoted to comfortably the highest level the club had ever played at. That, we all hope, is where the stories diverge. "The Town" had a terrible start to the season, and despite

playing some good football, failed to win until late November ("now we're on our way, we can go for a UEFA Cup place"-Uncle Roy), and eventually finished bottom, having conceded exactly 100 goals. They conceded seven at Newcastle, five to Leeds, Liverpool, Aston Villa and Southampton, and just to show how really dire their defence was, they conceded six at Everton. They finished bottom, despite some great performances, such as a 2-2 draw at Anfield, a home win over Spurs (ok, perhaps that didn't require such a good performance), and a home draw with double winners Manchester United. It was a great season despite the relegation.

Writing before the Bristol City game, I can see no evidence that on the field Cheltenham will have a similar season. The defence has been magnificent so far this term-to have played the likes of Wigan, Cardiff, Crewe et al in the first six games and conceded so few goals is testimony to the quality of the back four and Steve Book, but also to how well organised the whole side have been. I must confess that I did worry that the Robins might concede far more regularly than that, given the extra quality of forwards they have been facing, but so far I couldn't have been more wrong. Despite the results, the early signs have been encouraging, capped by that superb performance and win at Norwich. Now for some points on the board.....

So, to Dad and Uncle Roy, enjoy the game (if Swindon are three down with five minutes to go, and you're next to two blokes, one shaking his head sadly, and one still insisting that Swindon can still win then that will be them). I hope everyone else enjoys the game too, and don't forget you can text your messages to the BBC Radio Gloucestershire commentary team during the game on 07768 201413, or call us on 01452 307575 after the final whistle.

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RAY BAVERSTOCK

Long-serving, versatile defender Ray Baverstock was voted Cheltenham Town's 'Player of the Year' in 1987-88. A former Swindon Town apprentice, 'Baver' signed professional under the management of record appearance holder John Trollope in December 1981 and made his League debut in their 2-1 defeat at Blackpool nine months later.

He contested a first-team slot with Charlie Henry at the County Ground and helped Swindon to reach the FA Cup fourth round in 1982-83, also playing alongside the likes of Brian Hughes, Kevin Baddeley and Martin Blackler before moving to Cheltenham on a free transfer in July 1983. Leading marksman in 1983-84, he starred as the Robins won the Southern League title in 1984-85 and were FA Trophy quarter-finalists for the first time in 1985-86. He featured in the 1986-87 FA Trophy third round tie against Kidderminster Harriers, then helped Cheltenham reach the FA Trophy quarter-finals again in 1987-88 and faced Wolverhampton Wanderers in the FA Cup first round.

Gaining FA X1 representative honours, he netted 22 goals in 238 Conference/Southern League games and was awarded a joint benefit match with Nick Jordan against Everton in April 1990. He joined Gloucester City three months later and helped the Tigers to finish as Southern League Premier Division runners-up in 1990-91 before moving to Worcester City in July 1991, then

joined Bath City a year later. Following spells with Moreton Town and Gloucester again, he moved to Trowbridge Town in July 1993 and joined Forest Green Rovers in July 1994. He became Cirencester Town's player-manager in October 1994, guiding them to the Hellenic League and Cup 'double' in 1995-96 and with it promotion to the Dr Martens League.

Ray was in charge at Cirencester until the summer and is now manager of Western League side, Devizes Town. He runs a replacement window business and is married to Claire, a county netball player. His son Jack is also a successful young actor, who has appeared on TV and on the stage.



CONNECTIONS *By Leigh Edwards*

		League		FAC		LC/FAT		OTHER		Total	
		Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
SWINDON	1982-83	17		2		-		-		19	
	Total	17		2		-		-		19	
CHELTENHAM	1983-84	35	(12)	5	(1)	1		3		44	(13)
	1984-85	36	(5)	4	(1)	3	(1)	13	(4)	56	(11)
	1985-86	39	(1)	2	5	7	(1)	53	(2)		
	1986-87	35	(2)	1		2		7		45	(2)
	1987-88	37	(1)	6		4	(1)	7		54	(2)
	1988-89	29	(1)	2		3		9		43	(1)
	1989-90	27		2		-		8		37	
	Total	238	(22)	22	(2)	18	(2)	54	(5)	332	(31)

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DAVID _ _ _ _ _

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1. ■ ■ ■ ▲ ■ ■ ■

1. A bit of a Fowler

2. ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ▲ ■ ■ ■

2. This Steve has gone to the Potteries

3. ■ ▲ ■ ■ ■ ■

3. A foreign Sam that's gone Welsh!

4. ▲ ■ ■ ■ ■

4. He wears a No.8 on his shirt

5. ■ ■ ■ ▲ ■

Peterborough are high class

6. ▲ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

6. An ATHLETIC Lancashire club

7. ■ ■ ■ ▲ ■

7. This Roy has upset the F.A.

ANSWER

■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

**Entries for both competitions should be addressed to the PROGRAMME EDITOR,
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Closing dates: MEAL FOR TWO Monday September 23rd

FREE CINEMA TICKETS Friday September 20th

The Winner of the Cinema tickets for the Cardiff Programme was 9 year old ROBERT MAIZONNIER who was one of many who correctly identified SPENCER as the surname of the Cheltenham player. But Robert won the TIE-BREAKER by guessing that the attendance at the Colchester game would be 2750. Well done - it was the nearest guess to the actual attendance of 2845!

ROBERT who lives in Tewkesbury is a Junior Robin.



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Wed 14 Aug	Brentford	H	0-1 L
Wed 21 Aug	Leyton Orient	A	3-3 D
Wed 28 Aug	Oxford united	H	1-2 L
Wed 25 Sep	AFC Bournemouth	A	2pm
	at Lymington & New Milton		
Wed 2 Oct	Cambridge United	H	2pm
Wed 16 Oct	Barnet	H	2pm
Wed 23 Oct	Colchester United	A	2pm
Tue 5 Nov	QPR	A	7pm
	at Northwood		
Wed 13 Nov	Crystal Palace	A	7pm
	at Carshalton Athletic		
Wed 20 Nov	Bristol City	H	2pm
Wed 27 Nov	Portsmouth	H	2pm
Wed 4 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion		2pm
Wed 11 Dec	Reading	A	2pm
Wed 8 Jan	Norwich City	H	2pm
Wed 15 Jan	Bristol Rovers	A	7pm
Wed 29 Jan	Wycombe Wanderers	H	2pm
Wed 5 Feb	Gillingham	A	2pm
Tue 18 Feb	Plymouth Argyle	H	2pm
Wed 26 Feb	Luton Town	A	2pm
Wed 12 Mar	Northampton Town	A	2pm
Wed 26 Mar	Southend United	H	2pm
Wed 2 Apr	Swindon Town	A	2pm
Wed 16 Apr	Cardiff City	H	2pm
Wed 23 Apr	Peterborough United	A	2pm
Wed 30 Apr	Millwall	H	2pm

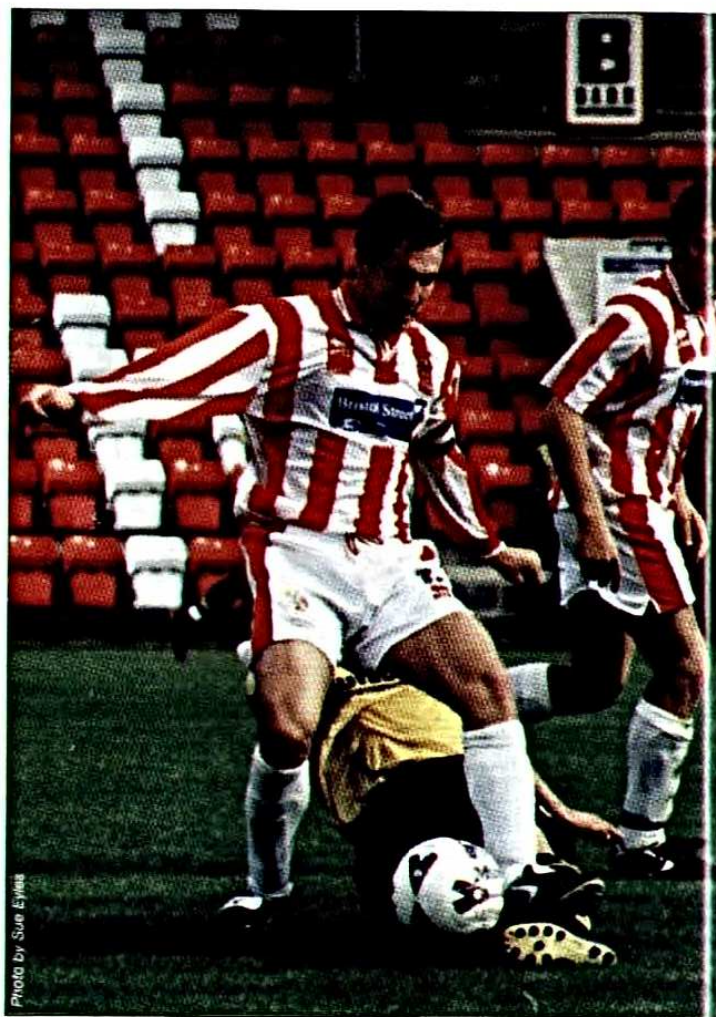


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Town Youth 0 Notts County Youth 3

Cheltenham Town were eliminated from the Midland Youth Cup last season by a strong Notts County side at the second round stage. County, whose front two of Kris Nurse and the impressive Shaun Harrod caused problems throughout the game, cruised into the third round with one goal in the first half and two in the second.

Cheltenham reached the semi-final of the Midland Youth Cup last season but were unable to make much headway in this game. The closest they came to scoring was a shot from Luke Buttery that hit the post in the second half. Both Nurse and Harrod missed chances to give County the lead in the opening 20 minutes, although visiting goalkeeper Gregory Smith was forced into a good save from a Luke Buttery free-kick early on. The deadlock was broken four minutes before half-time when Kelvin Wilson headed in a right-wing corner and Harrod almost doubled the lead with an adventurous chip shot soon after the break. Nurse added a second for County when he rifled a shot past substitute goalkeeper Craig Humphries, on for the injured Dan Edwards, when the Cheltenham defence failed to clear a 1st minute long throw. Humphries then made a good save from Willis Francis but Buttery hit the post and substitute Michael Whittington shot wide for Cheltenham before Francis completed the scoring three minutes from the end.

TEAM: Edwards (Humphries 56), Thomas, S.Stanbra (D.Thompson 66), M.Thompson, Skidmore, Mazurek, D.Stanbra, Connolly, Davis, Williams, Buttery

Football League Youth Alliance (Home matches played at Eagle Star Sports and Social Club on Saturday mornings)

South West Under-17 Division

Sep 21	Bristol Rovers	A
Sep 28	Plymouth Argyle	H
Oct 5	Cardiff City	A
Oct 12	Torquay United	A
Oct 19	Swansea City	H

South West Under-19 Division

Sep 14	Bristol Rovers (League Cup)	A
Sep 21	Swansea City (League Cup)	H
Sep 28	Cirencester	H
Oct 5	AFC Bournemouth	H
Oct 12	Plymouth Argyle	A

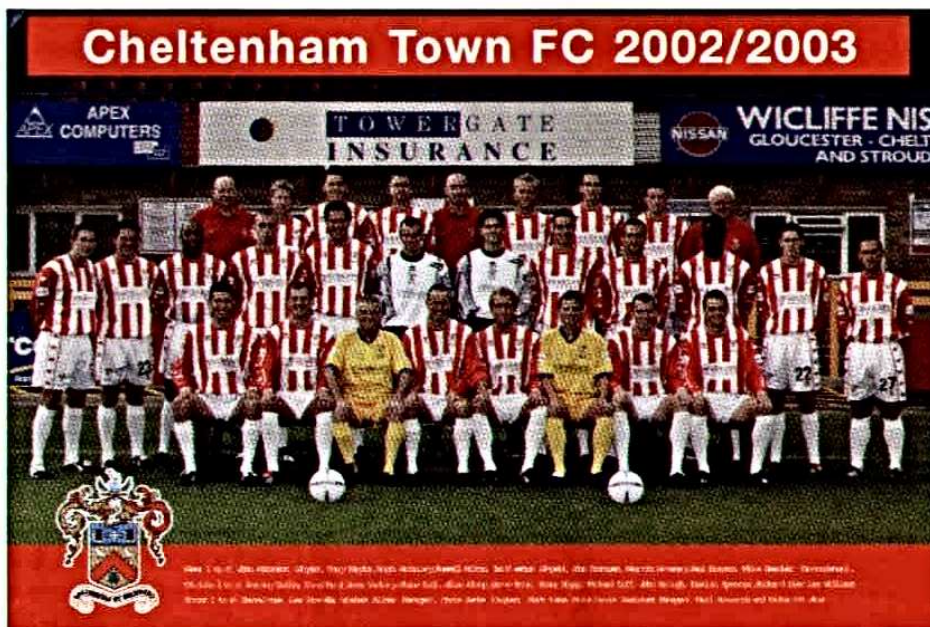
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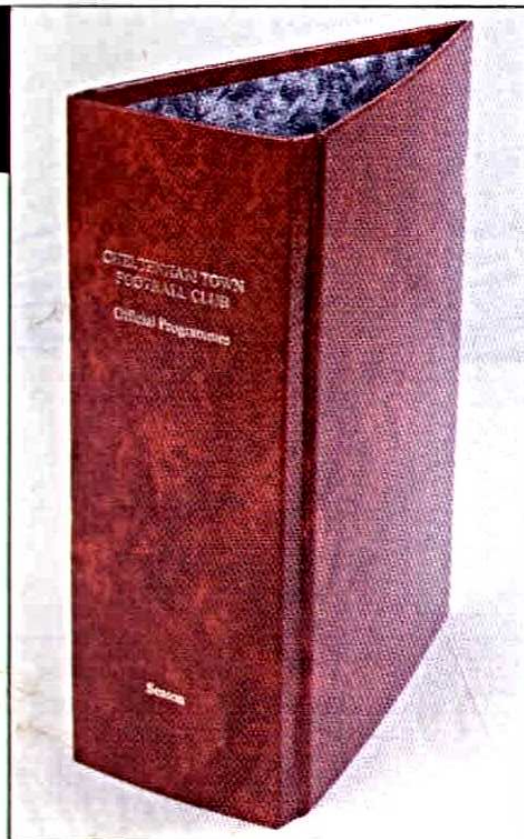
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Buying programmes at matches attended, and exchanging with friends are fine means of starting a programme collection, but will prove to be frustratingly limited for those who seek to expand their collections and complete their chosen sets.

The hobby has several mechanisms to meet more exacting requirements by collectors. One of the most accessible, and longest established, is the club shop. Run either by the commercial department or the supporters club, the souvenir shop most often has a programme section managed by an experienced collector who spends countless hours obtaining a wide variety of programmes for his local clientele. The best of these shops can be a rich and enduring source of almost every category of football programme. Programme Fairs are arranged throughout the country on most Sundays, and it is a good idea to watch for press advertisements and notices in your club programme which announce these events in your locality. In many respects, these are an extension of the club shop, enabling collectors to leaf through thousands of programmes brought along by stall-holders, thus enabling them to add to their chosen speciality. It is at programme fairs that collectors may purchase "bargain bundles", for instance 10 League match programmes for £5, without incurring the cost of postage and packing. Similarly, browsing through the "bargain boxes" of cheap programmes is an excellent way of widening your collection without spending a fortune.

If collectors are searching for an elusive issue, or a number of rare or obscure programmes, finding them at a club shop or programme fair is a little bit "hit or miss", although the euphoria at obtaining a much-sought after programme, at a bargain price, at an unlikely source, is one of the finest feelings in collecting. Such searching is most usefully conducted through a selection of mail order catalogues issued periodically by programme dealers located throughout the country. These catalogues are



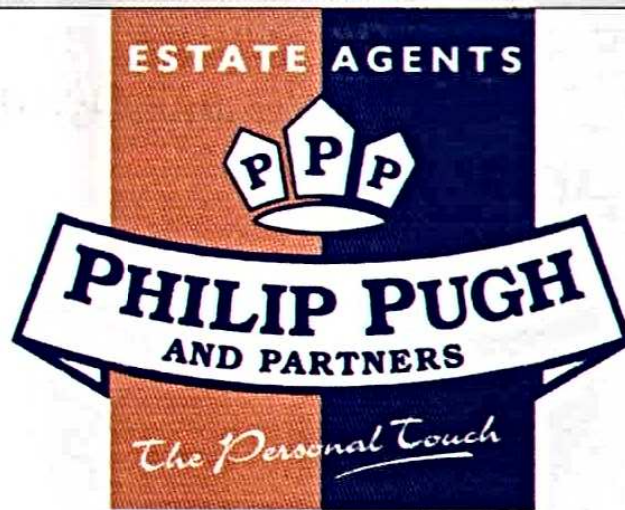
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By Paul Godfrey

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Many clubs have already launched their 'World' sites and Cheltenham Town will be following suit within the next couple of weeks. Robins World will feature an archive of video clips, exclusive audio interviews, full match commentary and video highlights after each match - all for a modest subscription fee.

The new website agreement has taken the emphasis away from site performance in terms of 'hits' and placed it firmly within the realm of commercial activity. Under the old agreement the club would effectively receive money every time somebody visited the site.

This is no longer the case although Robins supporters can still help the club to prosper through using the site in a number of ways. The 'World' site will be at the core of activity but this is also the popular betting service

'Cheltenhambet' and the SMS service, whereby breaking news stories are delivered direct to your mobile phone. Soon we will also be having online auctions and the site continues to offer special deals on selected products.

All of his ecommerce activity will benefit the club directly and help to generate valuable funds as we look to establish ourselves in the second division.

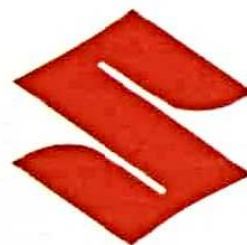
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TICKET OFFICE OPENING HOURS

		Sunday	Sept 22	CLOSED
		Monday	Sept 23	10am-4pm
		Tuesday	Sept 24	10am-4pm
Wednesday	Sept 18	Wednesday	Sept 25	10am-4pm
Thursday	Sept 19	Thursday	Sept 26	10am-7pm
Friday	Sept 20	Friday	Sept 27	10am-4pm
Saturday	Sept 21	Saturday	Sept 28	10am-3pm 4.45pm-5.15pm

GUIDE TO WHADDON ROAD

- Seating
- Covered standing
- Open standing
- Entry turnstile
- ↑

 Exit gate
- wc

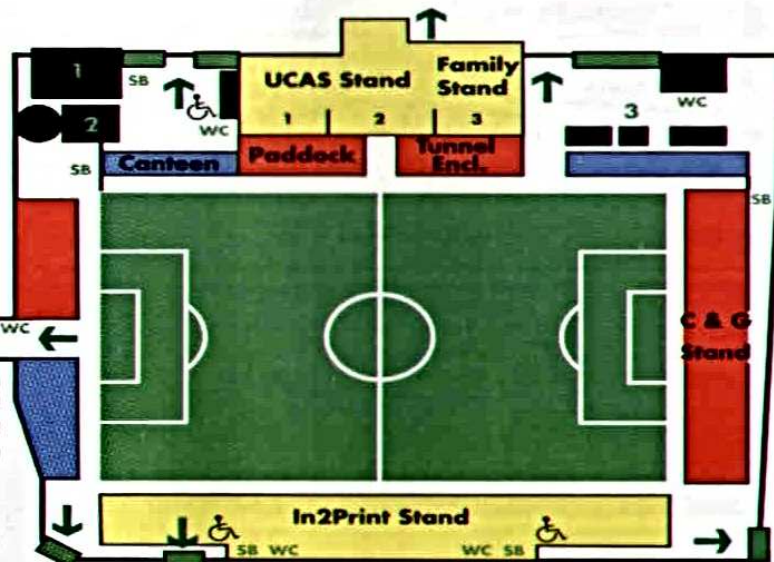
 Toilets
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 Snack bar
- 1

 Club shop
- 2

 Match control room
- 3

 Pickwicks betting shop



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1. Which World Cup star crossed London to join Fulham from Arsenal?
2. At whose ground did Brighton play their home games in 97/98?
3. Which Brazilian star recently signed for Middlesbrough for the 3rd time?
4. Who was the league's highest scorer for two consecutive seasons between 1987/8/9?
5. From which French club did Arsenal sign centre back Pascal Cygan?

half time quiz?

6. How much did Leeds pay Lens for Olivier Dacourt in May 2000 - £72m, £9.3m or £4.3m?
7. Which team's nickname is derived from the image of a gargoyle in the local cathedral?
8. Which former Villa man was the French First Division top scorer in 1993/94?
9. Which non-league team did Bournemouth boss Sean O'Driscoll play for?
10. Which camera company once sponsored the Football League?

WORDSEARCH



ASTON VILLA, IPSWICH, LIVERPOOL, NEWCASTLE, WEST HAM, TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR, NOTTINGHAM FOREST, CHELSEA, EVERTON, MANCHESTER CITY, LEEDS, MANCHESTER UNITED.

WHO AM I?



Born in Glasgow, 1968, this attacking midfielder, can count Falkirk, Wolves, Sunderland and Millwall amongst his clubs.



A player has a shot which is deflected off you into the net. Does the goal count?

WHO ARE WE?

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JAEGER ARMCHAIR
Can you unscramble the names of these three players?
SEATMATE JIBE

did you know?

Liverpool and Sunderland players were presented with the wrong medals after the 1992 FA Cup Final which Liverpool won 2-0. They were exchanged by the players on the pitch amidst much official embarrassment.

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BUT I THINK IT WAS A BIT HARSH GIVING OUR CAPTAIN A YELLOW CARD FOR LOSING THE TOSS!

ANSWERS

SOCCER DINGBATS: Sunderland, James Beattie, WHO AM I: Alan Smith, WHO ARE WE: Jaeger, Armchair, Seatmate, Jibe. THE REF: Yes. You are regarded as a referee or an assistant referee when in play if it rebounds from either the part of the field of play. The ball is still in play. THE REF: Yes. You are regarded as a referee or an assistant referee when in play if it rebounds from either the part of the field of play. The ball is still in play. THE REF: Yes. You are regarded as a referee or an assistant referee when in play if it rebounds from either the part of the field of play. The ball is still in play.

AWAY TO MANSFIELD TOWN

Saturday September 21st Kick-Off 3.00pm

Ground: Field Mill

Capacity: 10,000 (all seats)

Ticket Office: 01623 482482

Team Nickname: 'Stags'

Pitch Size: 115 x 70 yards

Home Colours: Amber shirts with Royal Blue piping Royal Blue shorts with Amber flash

Admission: Adults £15.00 - £14.00 Child £7.00

Disabled £6.00 Helpers £12.00

(Tickets must be booked in advance)



WHERE TO EAT AND DRINK

Cheltenham fans have usually used the **EARLY DOORS** pub next to the ground.

It's popular with both home and away fans. It's a large modern pub overlooking a lake.

A traditional mixed grill menu is available. Families are welcome.

THE LORD BYRON is a five minute walk from the ground down Quarry Lane.

It's a sports-orientated pub with large lounge and separate TV and pool rooms.

The retail park next to the ground has a Kentucky Fried Chicken, a McDonalds and a Safeway supermarket.

THE GROUND

After several false starts and many dashed hopes the club has transformed their Field Mill ground into a modern stadium at a cost of £6.5 million.

Three new stands have been built. Both ends, the North Stand and the Quarry Lane End plus the West Stand on one side of the pitch, have been re-developed.

Both ends are almost identical single tiered stands,

each holding just under 2,000 supporters.

The new West Stand which was opened last February is a cantilevered two tiered stand, which has a capacity of 5,500.

On the other side of the ground is the small Bishop Street Stand with covered seating that only runs half the length of the pitch. There are plans in the future to re-develop this Stand.

Cheltenham fans will be housed in the new Quarry Lane End which can hold 1,812. As expected with a new stand viewing facilities are very good.

At the back of the stand in one corner is the crowd control box, which keeps a watchful eye over matters.

HOW TO GET THERE FROM WHADDON ROAD

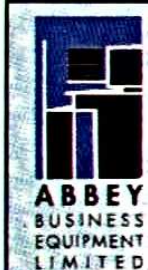
Take the A4019 signposted Tewkesbury to the M5 junction. Join the Motorway (signposted The Midlands, Worcester). Branch left off the M5 at Junction 4a (signposted the North East M1, London M40) to join M42. Leave the M42 at Junction 11 to join the A42 (signposted The North M1). After 15 miles on the A42 branch right (signposted The North, Nottingham) to join the M1 Motorway.

Leave the M1 at Junction 27 (signposted Mansfield) and at the roundabout take the 3rd exit for the A608. Take the 2nd exit at the next roundabout followed by the 2nd exit at the next roundabout keeping on the A608. After 1.3 miles keep left to join A611. After 4.3 miles turn left at the traffic lights for the A60 Nottingham Road. After 1.2 miles passing the 'Trading Post' pub on the left, the KFC also on the left and through 2 sets of traffic lights turn left at the next lights into Quarry Lane. The ground is on the right. There is parking at the Ground - £2. Do not park in the Retail Park. Distance: Approximately 117 miles.

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Wigan Athletic	Cheltenham		
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Cardiff City	Warners Motor Group		
Bristol City	Specsavers Opticians		
Swindon Town	Independent Insurance Advisers (Cheltenham) Ltd		
Notts County	Devereux & Co	Jacksons	Stoate & Bishop
QPR	Willans Solicitors	Travis Perkins	Travis Perkins
Port Vale	F.J. Beswick	Phillip Pugh	Pickwick Racing
Huddersfield Town	John Ryde	G-Tech Business Solutions Ltd. Severn Print Chancery House	
Brentford	Fraser Anderson		
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Barnsley	Travis Perkins	Cotswold Machinery	Cotswold Machinery
Tranmere Rovers	Corporate Travel International Ltd	Philip Pugh & Partners	
Chesterfield	Clark Nicholls Marcell		
Stockport County	G-Tech Business Services Ltd		
Colchester United		Jacksons	
Mansfield Town	SPI Ltd	Willans Solicitors	
Northampton Town	Travis Perkins		Sanderson Motorhouse
Luton Town		Charringtons C.A.T.S.	Severn Sound
Oldham Athletic			
Peterborough United	Star FM		
Blackpool	Amethyst	Jacksons	

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19 JULIAN ALSOP

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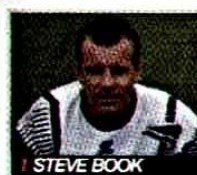
4 CHRIS BANKS

Full Kit:
Bryan Jacobs



23 DAVID BIRD

A Khola Mira
B.C.D.E
Pete & Yvonne Bell



1 STEVE BOOK

A. Andrew Collicutt
B. Spicessavers Opticians
C. Catherine & Kim Collicutt
D. William Collicutt
E Ashley Payton



9 PAUL BRAYSON

Full Kit:
Tewkesbury
Robins



5 JOHN BROUGH

A
B Louisa Upall
C
D
E Claire & Luvitso



16 MARTIN DEVANEY

Full Kit:
CHARLTON
ROVERS F.C.



6 MICHAEL DUFF

Full Kit: Spa
Conservatory
Village



24 SHANE DUFF

A
B Andrew & David O'Connell
C
D
E Daniel Owen



28 JOHN FINNIGAN

A John & Jane Bunting
B Lucie Carrington
C
D
E Kirstie Owen



2 ANTONY GRIFFIN

Full Kit:
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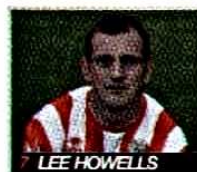
12 SHANE HIGGS

Full Kit:
HECKMOND
WICKE



17 NEIL HOWARTH

A Dorron Humphries
B Roger Whitehead
C
D
E



7 LEE HOWELLS

A Roger Whitehead
B Andy & Jon
C,D,E Roger Whitehead



20 STEVE JONES

A
B
C
D
E Jon Owen



22 RICHARD KEAR

Full kit: Chris
Banning Electrical
Installation



14 HUGH MCAULEY

A Robin McAuley
B Jason Christopher
C
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E Louis Peyton



11 RUSSELL MILTON

Full Kit:
Pickwick Racing



10 TONY NAYLOR

Full Kit:
Windsor Wright



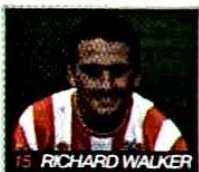
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A Alex Bamford
B The Cockney Robins
C
D
E The Jock Robins



3 JAMIE VICTORY

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Bryony Baker



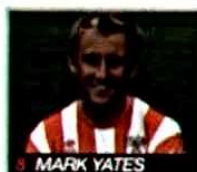
15 RICHARD WALKER

A Peter & Gill Banning
B Stanley Family IFEC
C
D
E Gill Owen



27 LEE WILLIAMS

Full Kit:
SPI Ltd.



8 MARK YATES

A John Fenton
B Natalie Fenton
C James 'Pike' Holder
D Anna Fenton
E Jasmine White



11 GRAHAM ALLNER

Full Kit:
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Football League

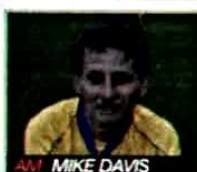
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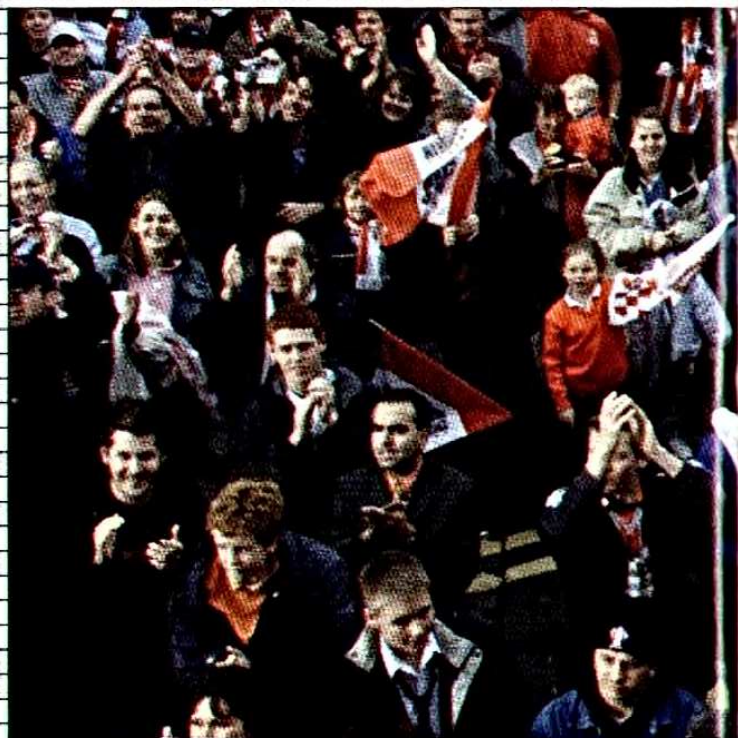
THE KEY FAC = FA CUP WC = WORTHINGTON CUP DENOTES SCORER¹

KICK-OFF 3PM SATURDAYS, 7.45PM MIDWEEK UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

DATE	FIXTURE	RES	ATT	POS	A/FAN
SAT AUG 10	WIGAN ATHLETIC	H 0-2	5,138	22	966
TUE AUG 13	BARNLEY	A 1-1	9,641	19	248
SAT AUG 17	TRANMERE ROVERS	A 0-1	6,807	22	328
SAT AUG 24	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	H 1-2	4,713	22	1276
TU AUG 27	CREWE ALEXANDRA	A 0-1	5,488	23	299
SAT AUG 31	CARDIFF CITY	H 1-1	4395	24	1200
SAT SEPT 7	COLCHESTER UNITED	A 1-1	2845	23	285
TUES SEPT 10	NORWICH CITY (WC 1)	A 3-0	13285		134
SAT SEPT 14	BRISTOL CITY	H 2-3	5895	24	
TUE SEPT 17	SWINDON TOWN	H			
SAT SEPT 21	MANSFIELD TOWN	A			
SAT SEPT 28	NOTTS. COUNTY	H			
TUE OCT 1	CRYSTAL PALACE (WC 2)	A			
SAT OCT 5	BLACKPOOL	A			
SAT OCT 12	LUTON TOWN	A			
SAT OCT 19	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	H			
SAT OCT 26	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	A			
TUE OCT 29	PORT VALE	H			
SAT NOV 2	HUDDERSFIELD	H			
WED NOV 6	(WC 3)				
SAT NOV 9	STOCKPORT COUNTY	A			
SAT NOV 16	(FAC 1)				
SAT NOV 23	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	A			
SAT NOV 30	BRENTFORD	H			
WED DEC 4	(WC 4)				
SAT DEC 7	(FAC 2)				
SAT DEC 14	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	A			
WED DEC 18	(WC 3)				
SAT DEC 21	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H			
THU DEC 26	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H			
SAT DEC 28	CHESTERFIELD	A			
WED JAN 1	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	A			
SAT JAN 4	BARNLEY (FAC 3)	H			
WED JAN 8	(WC SEMI-F 1)				
SAT JAN 11	TRANMERE ROVERS	H			
SAT JAN 18	CARDIFF CITY	A			
WED JAN 22	(WC SEMI-F 2)				
SAT JAN 25	CHESTERFIELD (FAC 4)	H			
SAT FEB 1	WIGAN ATHLETIC	A			
SAT FEB 8	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H			
SAT FEB 15	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN (FAC 5)	A			
SAT FEB 22	COLCHESTER UNITED	H			
SAT MAR 1	BRISTOL CITY	A			
SUN MAR 2	(WC FINAL)				
WED MAR 5	SWINDON TOWN	A			
SAT MAR 8	MANSFIELD TOWN (FAC 6)	H			
SAT MAR 15	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H			
TUE MAR 18	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	A			
SAT MAR 22	PORT VALE	A			
SAT MAR 29	LUTON TOWN	H			
SAT APR 5	BRENTFORD	A			
SAT APR 12	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H			
SUN APR 13	(FAC SEMI-FINAL)				
SAT APR 19	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	A			
MON APR 21	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H			
SAT APR 26	BLACKPOOL	H			
SAT MAY 3	NOTTS. COUNTY	A			
SAT MAY 17	(FAC FINAL)				



BOOK	HOWARTH	M.DUFF	WALKER	VICTORY	FINNIGAN	YATES	MILTON
BOOK	HOWARTH	M.DUFF	WALKER	VICTORY	WILLIAMS	FINNIGAN	YATES
BOOK	HOWARTH	M.DUFF	WALKER	VICTORY	WILLIAMS (8)	YATES	FINNIGAN
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BOOK	HOWARTH	M.DUFF	WALKER	VICTORY	WILLIAMS (4)	MCAULEY	YATES
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TONIGHT IN DIVISION 2

BARNLEY	V	BLACKPOOL
CARDIFF CITY	V	BRENTFORD
CHESTERFIELD	V	STOCKPORT COUNTY
LUTON TOWN	V	MANSFIELD TOWN
NORTHAMPTON TOWN	V	COLCHESTER UNITED

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NUMBER IN BRACKETS DENOTES PLAYER REPLACED ()



NAYLOR	ALSO (3)	BRAYSON (5)	HIGGS	DEVANEY	SPENCER	JONES	WILLIAMS
MILTON (3)	DEVANEY	ALSO	HIGGS	BRAYSON	NAYLOR 1	SPENCER	JONES
DEVANEY (2)	ALSO	NAYLOR	HIGGS	BRAYSON	MILTON	MCAULEY	JONES
BRAYSON	NAYLOR	SPENCER (5) 1	HIGGS	BROUGH	MILTON	MCAULEY	DEVANEY
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MILTON	NAYLOR 2	ALSO	HIGGS	BROUGH	BRAYSON	DEVANEY	WILLIAMS
MILTON (3)	NAYLOR (4)	ALSO 2	HIGGS	BROUGH	BRAYSON	SPENCER	WILLIAMS

NATIONWIDE DIVISION TWO 2002. 2003

TEAM	PLD	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	GD
WIGAN	8	5	1	2	12	4	16	+8
BRISTOL C	8	5	0	3	13	7	15	+6
BLACKPOOL	8	4	3	1	11	5	15	+6
BRENTFORD	8	4	3	1	10	6	15	+4
OLDHAM	8	4	2	2	13	6	14	+7
QPR	8	4	2	2	15	9	14	+6
PLYMOUTH	7	4	2	1	14	10	14	+4
CARDIFF	7	4	2	1	10	6	14	+4
CREWE	8	3	4	1	10	5	13	+5
TRANMERE	8	4	1	3	11	11	13	0
PORT VALE	8	4	0	4	8	11	12	-3
STOCKPORT	7	3	2	2	6	4	11	+2
CHESTERFIELD	8	3	2	3	11	11	11	0
COLCHESTER	8	3	2	3	5	6	11	-1
WYCOMBE	8	2	3	3	12	14	9	-2
BARNLEY	8	2	3	3	7	9	9	-2
HUDDERSFIELD	8	2	3	3	5	7	9	-2
NORTHAMPTON	8	2	3	3	5	11	9	-6
NOTTS CO	8	1	5	2	9	10	8	-1
SWINDON	8	2	1	5	9	12	7	-3
LUTON	8	1	3	4	12	15	6	-3
PETERBOROUGH	7	1	1	5	3	8	4	-5
MANSFIELD	8	1	1	6	10	26	4	-18
CHELTHAM	8	0	3	5	6	12	3	-6



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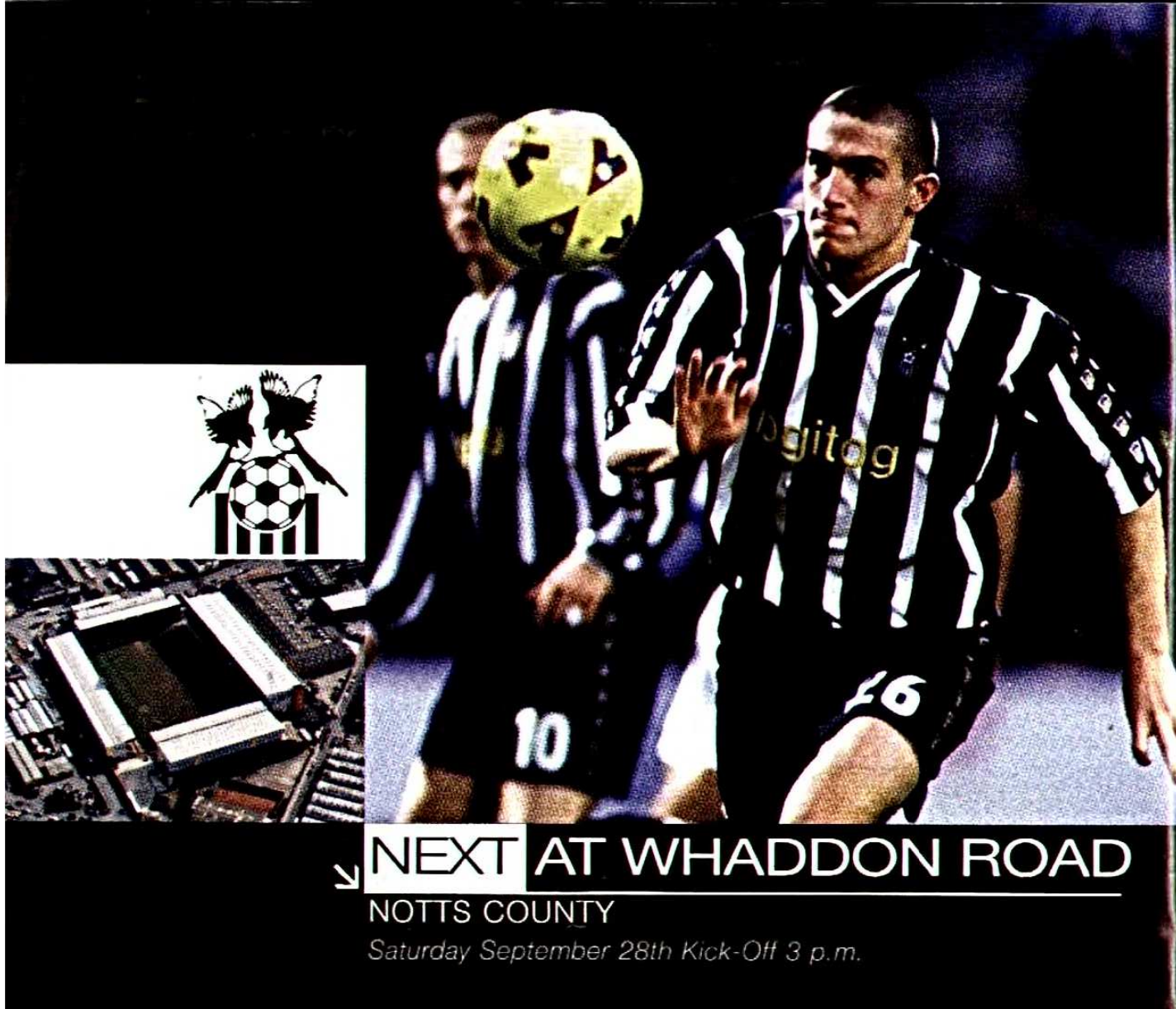
PLAYER NAME	LEAGUE/PLAY OFFS			CUPS			CFC CAREER	
	APPS	GOAL	BK/50	APPS	GOAL	BK	APPS	GOAL
STEVE BOOK	8	-	-	-	-	-	281	-
ANTHONY GRIFFIN	-	-	-	-	-	-	64(22)	1
JAMIE VICTORY	8	-	1	-	-	-	298 (2)	37
CHRIS BANKS	-	-	-	-	-	-	397(4)	14
JOHN BROUGH	-	-	-	-	-	-	80(50)	10
MICHAEL DUFF	8	-	3	-	-	-	280 (6)	14
LEE HOWELLS	-	-	-	-	-	-	444(26)	78
MARK YATES	8	-	1	-	-	-	180 (2)	15
PAUL BRAYSON	5 (2)	-	-	-	-	-	5 (2)	-
TONY NAYLOR	7 (1)	2	-	-	-	-	61 (2)	22
RUSSELL MILTON	6 (2)	-	-	-	-	-	156 (27)	16
SHANE HIGGS	-	-	-	-	-	-	5(2)	-
HUGH MCAULEY	4 (2)	-	-	-	-	-	75 (32)	10
RICHARD WALKER	8	-	1	-	-	-	89 (6)	1
MARTIN DEVANEY	2(4)	-	-	-	-	-	64(45)	21
NEIL HOWARTH	8	1	-	-	-	-	113 (17)	9
DAMIAN SPENCER	1 (2)	1	1	-	-	-	1 (2)	1
JULIAN ALSOP	6	2	2	-	-	-	89 (16)	35
STEVE JONES	-	-	-	-	-	-	113(5)	9
RICHARD KEAR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DAVE BIRD	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
SHANE DUFF	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1
LEE WILLIAMS	4 (4)	-	-	-	-	-	49 (7)	4
JOHN FINNIGAN	5 (2)	-	-	-	-	-	21 (2)	3

OLDHAM ATHLETIC	V	BRISTOL CITY
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PORT VALE	V	NOTTS COUNTY
QPR	V	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN
TRANMERE ROVERS	V	WIGAN ATHLETIC
WYCOMBE WANDERERS	V	CREWE ALEXANDRA

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NEXT AT WHADDON ROAD **NOTTS COUNTY** *Saturday September 28th Kick-Off 3 p.m.*

The world's oldest senior football club pay their first ever visit to Whaddon Road. It is a club that has spent too much of its life in the lower divisions, devoted too much energy to a bitter rivalry with its city neighbours Nottingham Forest, and been too pre-occupied with rebuilding its ground to improve its footballing lot.

County is another club that in recent years has been headlined for its severe financial problems rather than its footballing honours. This is a club that is older than the League, older than the F.A. Cup – and even older than the F.A. itself and the first instinct for those off the field is to survive.

On the field it is another matter. Now in charge is BILLY DEARDEN who is no stranger to Whaddon Road. One of the highlights of our Football League experience so far has been the intriguing encounters with MANSFIELD TOWN under the guidance of Billy from 1999 to earlier this year. His tactical expertise is highly respected by our man in charge Graham Allner.

Notts County's danger man to watch out for is 24 year old prolific goalscorer DANNY ALLSOP. He is a threat from anywhere over the halfway line and in his two seasons to date he has scored over 40 goals.

This is a game not to be missed and remember – it is not all-ticket.

AVON COMBINATION **CAMBRIDGE UNITED**

Wednesday October 2nd Kick-Off 2 p.m.

Following a month of inactivity our "Young Guns" are back in much needed action against a youthful Cambridge side. United's first team are determined to return to the Second Division at the first time of asking and future success is very much in the hands of some of the youngsters on parade for this game.

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Age: 11 years of age
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Hobbies And Interests:
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SQUAD LINE-UPS

TUESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2002 KICK-OFF 7.45 PM

CHEL TENHAM V SWINDON TOWN

Manager
Graham Allner

Manager
Andy King

- 1 STEVE BOOK
- 2 ANTONY GRIFFIN
- 3 JAMIE VICTORY
- 4 CHRIS BANKS
- 5 JOHN BROUGH
- 6 MICHAEL DUFF
- 7 LEE HOWELLS
- 8 MARK YATES
- 9 PAUL BRAYSON
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