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Good afternoon and welcome to Sixfields.

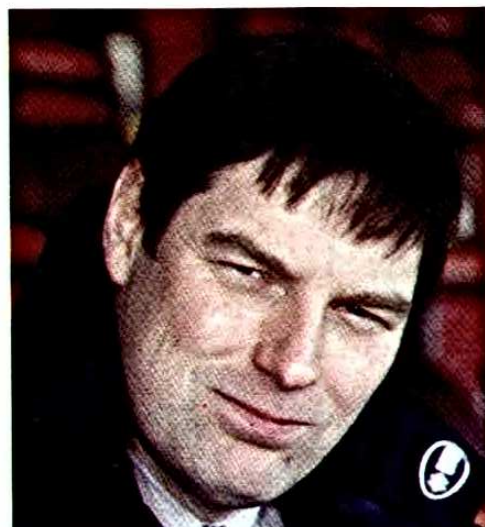
Since our last home game against Bristol City the news has been dominated by the departure of Terry Fenwick. That was not a decision that we as a Board of Directors took lightly, nor was it one we took any pleasure from. You, the supporters made your feelings known at the Bristol City game and we had come to a point where we either had to publicly back the Manager or make the decision we did.

Terry leaves with our sincere thanks for his efforts here, and we wish him every success for the future.

Now though, we must look forward, we are fortunate that we have someone like Martin Wilkinson to take charge. The fact that we had someone of Martin's experience and pedigree already on the staff played a part in our decision. Martin is already very popular and respected both within the club and in the wider world of football and it's now a case of everyone pulling together for the good of the club to make sure we stay in Division 2.

Hopefully we will have a large crowd inside Sixfields today, with many of you here taking advantage of the free guest offer to all season ticket holders. Welcome to those of you who might be here for the first time, and if you enjoy the experience, we hope to see you at some of our remaining home games this season. We really need to turn Sixfields in to a fortress in the remaining home games. To do that, we need the help of you the fans to help generate an atmosphere and support all of the players from the first kick to the last. It will certainly be a boost to see Sixfields fuller today than it has been in recent weeks.

Today's opponents Swindon Town are an example of what can be achieved by



pulling together. Despite an indifferent start to the season, Swindon stuck together and kept working hard and have enjoyed an excellent run of form in the middle part of the season to move away from danger.

Off the field, there are a number of Commercial Events coming up, and while the final Executive Dinner of the season, an evening with Duncan McKenzie on Thursday 27th March at the Hilton

Hotel, Northampton has sold out, you can still reserve your place for the following event, the End of Season Awards Dinner. Please contact Paul Martin on 01604 757773 for more details.

This really is the start of "Operation Survival" and if we all play our part, I'm sure we can make sure Northampton Town stay in Division 2 this season. There are just 10 games to go after today, please sing your heart out!

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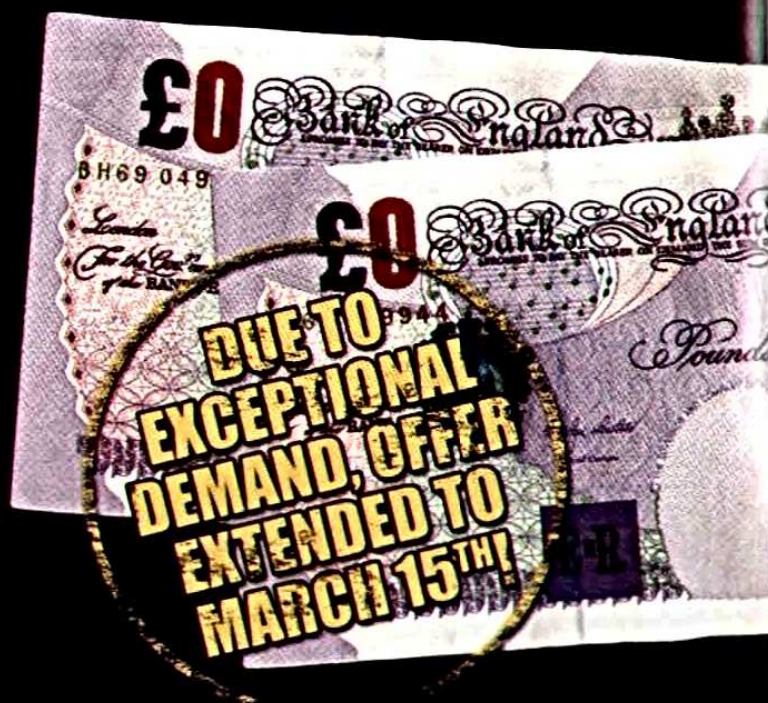
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MARTIN WILKINSON

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Good afternoon and welcome to Sixfields for our game with Swindon Town. I would like to extend a warm welcome to Andy King and all of the Swindon Town players, officials and supporters to today's game.

Of course, each and every game between now and the end of the season is vital to us. We find ourselves in a difficult situation but it is one we can get out of if we work hard and work together. The successful run in we had to the end of last season to escape relegation was based on hard work and unity, and we need that unity to pull us through this time around.

I am making an appeal from the heart today for everyone within the ground this afternoon to get behind the side however you can. Including today's game, we have 6 home matches left and they will be crucial to us. We need to turn Sixfields back in to a fortress, and we need to make sides fear coming here.

We need each and everyone of you here this afternoon to be right behind each and every player and if we can work together as "Team Northampton Town" then I'm sure we can stay up. This is not about any one individual, it's about all those who love Northampton Town working together for the good of the club.

Together, let's give it a right good go. It's still in our own hands, as we have so many of the sides around and about us still to play. Please get behind the players from the first whistle to the last, and let's work together to keep Northampton Town in Division 2.

Welcome to those of you here this



afternoon as part of the free guest offer to season ticket holders. I hope we can look forward to seeing you again in the future. Thank you also to today's sponsors, Target Furniture and Sportwise Marketing. Your support is much appreciated.

Please try and get right behind us this afternoon, your support really does make a difference to the players.

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A warm welcome this afternoon to everyone who is here as part of the free guest offer to season ticket holders. We hope you enjoy your afternoon supporting the Cobblers and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Northampton Town Chairman Ken Good has admitted that the decision to relieve Terry Fenwick of his duties was not an easy decision. That decision was taken 48 hours after the 2-1 defeat to Bristol City and Mr Good said, "This was certainly not an easy decision. I had been talks with my fellow Directors for most of the day and while it might be unusual for Managers to be released after just 7 games, we can't run a football club in isolation from our supporters and the fans reaction was so overwhelming it was having an effect on the players and we could only see that getting worse.

"Having Martin Wilkinson already on the staff was one of the reasons behind the decision. Martin has a lot of experience and I'm sure he can do a good job. There are still plenty of points to play for and now we need everyone to stand up and be counted."

Caretaker Manager Martin Wilkinson is looking to draw on his vast football experience to try and keep Northampton Town in Division 2. The Cobblers boss is keen to get everyone connected with the club back to enjoying their football, and said, "I want to try and take the fear factor away,



and for us to just go out and enjoy what we are doing, but with that we have still got to keep a good shape, and keep our discipline. We did the same thing last year, by rolling our sleeves up and by beating teams that were in the same position that we were and we can do it again. If we try and stop teams playing and win the ball, we have got the players to create good opportunities for ourselves.

"Under Kevan Broadhurst I was quite involved with the first team, especially during the last few months that he was here and I know most of the players quite well.

"We need to increase the options going forward, be positive and win matches because draws will



not keep us up.

"I want to keep things reasonably low profile, get some organisation and morale back into the team, get some smiles back on the players faces, and if we do that, work hard, roll our sleeves up, then we can get ourselves out of the mess we are in, and make sure that we stay in division 2.

"I'll be very disappointed if we do go down. Our first priority has got to be to stop in this division and I think we have got the players and the attitude to get out of the trouble that we are in. There are a lot of clubs in the same position that we are and if we can roll our sleeves up and compete a little bit better then we will be ok."

Northampton Town covered the cost of a supporters coach for each of the three Travel Clubs for the trip to the McAlpine Stadium last Saturday.

The club paid the coach hire fee for one coach for each of the Trust Travel, Sixfields Travel and Cobblers Independent Supporters Clubs coaches. Chairman Ken Good said, "We made this gesture to our regular supporters who travel away to say a big thank you for their support so far, and to emphasise the important role they have to play in helping us move away from the bottom of the table.

"We want to give something back to the fans, and hopefully this gesture, as well as the free guest for season ticket holders offer for today's game, shows fans we really do value their support."

There was a big panic just down the road last



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week with the news that Bernie (the mascot for Northampton Saints) was struggling to be fit for their big Powergen Cup semi-final showdown with London Irish last Sunday. Clarence threw his name into the ring about a possible loan move to help out our friends from down the Weedon Road. Representatives from both clubs were in negotiations about a possible temporary transfer to cover Bernie's possible absence from the cup clash at the Kassam Stadium. "I was quite keen on the idea," admitted the loveable Cobblers' rogue. "I spoke to Bernie and I knew he wasn't feeling too great. I was pleased that he was fit enough to eventually take his place at the game. That's in the past now, and I am looking forward to doing my bit to help Mr Wilkinson and the players out in Operation Survival."



Northampton Town fan Elliott Harrison is thankfully on the road to recovery. The 10 year old Cobblers supporter was mascot at the Cobblers v Tranmere match back in December just before he was supposed to go in for major heart surgery at Great Ormond Street Hospital in London. Elliott finally had the operation in early February and is making an excellent recovery. Elliott is pictured receiving a signed Cobblers away shirt from Lee Harper and Chris Hargreaves at his home in Bugbrooke. Everyone at the club wishes Elliott well for a swift recovery and hope to welcome him back to Sixfields soon.



Cobblers fan Rowland Jordan was in Africa recently, and bumped in to the Nigerian national football team who were



staying at the same hotel as him and his family, preparing for their match with Gambia. Rowland helped spread the word about Northampton Town, leaving his shirt behind as a gift to his hosts, and his son Thomas is pictured with members of the Nigerian squad.

The official announcement of Terry Fenwick's departure and Martin Wilkinson's appointment as caretaker boss was sent out first on the afternoon of February 24 to SMS subscribers.

In what is sure to be a busy few weeks between now and the end of the season, the best way to make sure you stay bang in touch with the club is to sign up to our official SMS service. Then, any news from the club will immediately be sent direct to your mobile.

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At half time in our last 2 home games the



Cobblers Multi Disabled teams have played their Brentford counterparts. The club would like to say a big thank you to all

supporters who gave the players such a fantastic ovation at the end of their games. Unfortunately the club have had to stop the half time games on the advice of the Stadium Management company in order to protect the Sixfields pitch as we enter the final weeks of the season.

The Cobblers Independent Supporters Club still have a number of spaces left on their weekend trip to Chester to take in the Tranmere game on Easter Monday. The coach departs Northampton on Easter Saturday, and you will stay in Chester on Saturday and Sunday nights before returning home after the Tranmere game. The cost is £90 for adults or £45 for juniors. Please call Norman on 07967 971331 if you are interested.

The club would like to send their condolences to the friends and family of Mr David Newman. David was a huge Cobblers fan, who sadly passed away suddenly at home on Sunday February 23. He was well known around Sixfields, and worked locally at Church's in Northampton. Our thoughts and sympathies go to everyone affected by this sad loss.

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TERRY FENWICK AFTER THE 2-1 LOSS TO BRISTOL CITY

"I am disgusted with our first half performance. We showed little heart or desire. We need to be prepared for a scrap, in the second half we put our foot in and we battled. We felt sorry for ourselves. We wait to be punched before we fight back. We ought to be going out there throwing the punches when the bell goes. I thought Chris Hargreaves, Darryn Stamp and Paul Harsley all did well when they came on. We need characters to show some balls out there. We did a bit more of that in the second half and we were a better side for it."

JERRY GILL ON THE BRISTOL CITY DEFEAT



"That first half display was unacceptable from all of us. We went in at half time very down and disappointed. We showed no fight, no spirit and no tackles had been won. In the second half it was a totally different side that went out there. We showed a lot more and really could have come away with at least a point. We are bitterly disappointed with

the result but we have to knuckle down and get back to work on the training ground."

KEN GOOD ON THE DECISION TO RELIEVE TERRY FENWICK OF HIS DUTIES

"One of the reasons behind this decision to relieve Terry of his duties is that in Martin Wilkinson we already have someone who has a lot of Managerial and coaching experience. There are a lot of points to play for and I will work with Martin and the Board and we want to see everyone roll their sleeves up and get on."

MARTIN WILKINSON ON TAKING OVER THE MANAGER'S ROLE



"I know how I want to play. Yes we can defend, but we need to win matches. Supporters come here and pay their money to see a good football team play. You don't want to just watch a team defend you want to see exciting football and goal mouth action."

THE COBBLERS BOSS AHEAD OF THE TRIP TO HUDDERSFIELD

"Huddersfield did well against Barnsley last

weekend. They won 1-0, they were well organised, they changed their shape through out the game and Barnsley did the same which made for a very interesting game."

PAUL REID AHEAD OF THE HUDDERSFIELD TRIP

"The atmosphere at the club is a lot more relaxed at the moment. A lot of the players have worked with Martin already, so they feel comfortable working with him and it's just a case of someone bringing in some fresh ideas. Under Terry we played a certain way and I think Martin will be looking to change that. All the lads just want to get behind Martin and start getting a few good results."

KEN GOOD ON THE LATEST SIXFIELDS DEVELOPMENT NEWS

"The first plans have been prepared. We want to redevelop the North and South stands to increase the capacity to 3,500 for each stand. We would also wish to see Executive Boxes at Sixfields."

MARTIN WILKINSON AFTER LAST SATURDAY'S GAME AT HUDDERSFIELD

"We said last Monday that the season started here and all the games we've got left are important but we've only had a few days to work with the players and in that respect I think we've done reasonably well. We can look forward with confidence. It was a generally a good performance but unfortunately we didn't take our chances. We have conceded two sloppy, awful goals and that has cost us. The first one was offside until the deflection and the second was also, in our opinion, clearly offside."

PAUL TROLLOPE POST HUDDERSFIELD

"We could have been one or two up before they scored. We thought we were on top at nil-nil and to lose one goal before half time is a blow but to lose two was a hammer blow. If we had gone in front I think we could have gone on to win but we paid for those few minutes before half time."

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60 YEARS AND STILL KEEN!!

Club President Bob Church has recently completed 60 years supporting the Cobblers. Here, in the final part of a two part feature, Bob reflects on his time as a Cobbler;

Continued from the Bristol City programme....



Bob Church shakes hands with Vinnie Jones before taking him fly fishing on Rutland Water.

In 1963/64 we finished a respectable half way up Division 2, and the next season we finished runners up to Newcastle just one point behind them and we were in Division One, or today's Premiership. The fact that we had several gates over 20,000 at the old County Ground (with a top attendance of 24,523 against Fulham) never ceases to amaze me. How did they get in without any problems?

Up to 1975/76 is best forgotten as we plodded along but we finished runners up to Lincoln in 1976 and were promoted, but came straight back to Division 4 the next year. Things continued poor until Graham Carr arrived late in 1985 to save us from a certain re-election spot. Derek Banks became Chairman and Graham brought a lot of new players to the club mostly from non-league and I joined the Board of Directors. We had a good year in 1985/86 and the seeds were sown for the following season.

The 1986/87 season was certainly the most exciting ever for me. Graham had perfected the style of play with a great team scoring 103 goals in the league, and 18 more in cups. Whenever David Gilbert took a free kick or corner, more often than not it would be a goal. We won Division 4 comfortably with Preston as runners up. Even Jack Charlton told me he learned a lot from Graham's style of play and as we know used it to good effect for Ireland. We dropped back to Division 3 (the old Division 4) in 1990.

We had to wait until 1996 and Ian Atkins to arrive for an improvement. Then we were at Wembley for the first time ever in our Centenary Year. This was after finishing fourth in Division 3. Frainy won it for us with that left footed free kick. I savoured the moment from the Royal Box. Ian took us to Wembley again the following year only to lose 1-0 to Grimsby and while they have hung on to Division 1 status ever since, we managed to get relegated but came straight back up again.

I won't mention McRitchie. I won't mention coming bottom, but staying up in the league because Kidderminster's ground was not good enough. Somehow I have managed to get to 75% of the Football League grounds. Fitted in with running a fishing tackle and country clothing business and have been a professional fisherman for over 30 years. I am telling you, Arsenal are good to watch, so are Manchester United, but when I see others it's not the same feeling as when watching the Cobblers!





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CHAIRMAN Ken Good and managing director David Cardoza issued a statement this week in which they confirmed that Martin Wilkinson will be the Cobblers boss until the end of the season, and that he will work with the current coaching

staff of Mark Kearney, Paul Curtis and Jim Blyth. It is a sensible move by the board as it means everybody at the club can now concentrate on the one thing that really matters between now and May 3 - keeping the Cobblers in division two.

There has been enough turmoil and chopping and changing at Sixfields in recent months to last for four or five seasons never mind three months, and it is vital that the club at least enjoys stability off the pitch between now and the end of the campaign.

On the field on course it is down to the players to get themselves out of a very big hole, but it can be done despite Tuesday night's defeat at Colchester United.

Of the Cobblers' final 11 games of the season six are at home and with things still tight down at the bottom of the table, a couple of wins could see the team out of the bottom four again.

Town's home form has of course been dreadful, with the team failing to win at home since way back on November 23.

Some fans have, wrongly in my opinion, hurled abuse at the team and certain individuals during that bad run and that is up to them as they have of course paid good money to watch - but it is not 'support'.

And it is going to be whole-hearted support and nothing else that will help the players get the results they need to haul themselves out of the relegation zone.

So if you have turned up today to try and cheer the team to victory against Swindon Town, welcome to the match and enjoy the game.

If you have come to Sixfields with the sole intention of getting stuck into your own players and generally making the Cobblers feel as though they are the away team, well you can turn around and go back home because you are not wanted.

Yes supporters have every right to grumble and throw a little wobbler if their team aren't performing, but when that dissatisfaction turns to personal and vitriolic abuse of their own players what is the point?

You might as well go and sit in the south stand with the away supporters because you are doing a better job to ensure the Cobblers play below par than they ever will.

When a team plays at home they are supposed to feel as though the majority of the crowd are willing them to win, they should be inspired.

But in recent games at Sixfields it seems as though the only noise generated by the home fans is when they are moaning about their own, and that has to stop.

Every Cobblers fan has to get behind the team 100 per cent from the first minute to last.

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THERE aren't many times in a season that something happens on a football field to take your breath away.

There are of course great goals and sublime pieces of skill that always

amaze, but it takes extraordinary special to stop you in your tracks and make you think: 'Did that really happen?'

One such incident occurred at Villa Park on Monday night, an unfortunately it was nothing to do with football.

Aston Villa striker Dion Dublin's double assault on Birmingham midfielder Robbie Savage was simply unbelievable. If I had been eating a bacon sandwich I would definitely have dropped it...

The first lunging tackle that floored the Welshman was stunning enough, but the for big man to then follow up with a thumping head-butt the like of which is usually reserved for Glasgow city centre at closing time was incredible.

I mean we have seen players head-butting before, but Dion Dublin? He is normally such a gentleman and is regarded in the game as a real sport.

It was an extraordinary loss of control from Dublin.

Then to top it all, after the referee had shown him the red card - he's lucky it wasn't a warrant for his arrest - I had to laugh when Dublin was clearly seen to ask 'what for?'

Incredible...but at least the Villa man had to guts to publicly apologise for his actions the following day.



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Clubs Comparison

Goals Scored		
15	Shots	20
4	Headers	7
8	Volleys	11
3	Penalties	5
0	Free Kicks	3
1	Own Goals	0

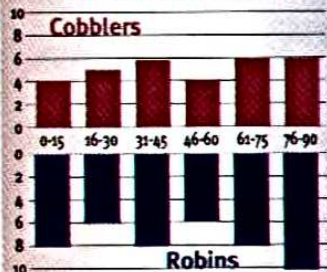
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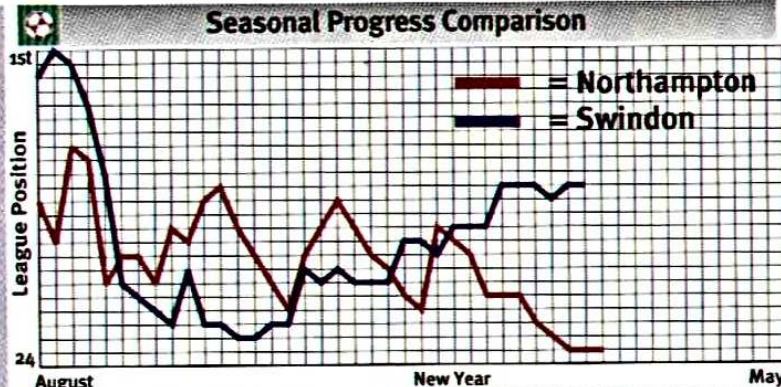


Form Guide - Last 6

0	Won	3
1	Drawn	2
5	Lost	1
4	For	8
11	Against	7
1	Points	11
-7	Goal Difference	1
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Yellow & Red Cards

48	Yellow	45
5	Red	1



2002-2003 Attendances

Cobblers		Robins
86,625	Aggregate	90,396
5,906	Highest	7,716
3,663	Lowest	4,136
5,096	Average	5,317
67	% of Capacity	37

Average Goals per game

	For	Robins
0.89	For	1.35
1.06	Home For	1.41
0.72	Away For	1.29
1.63	Against	1.41
1.29	Home Against	1.24
1.94	Away Against	1.59

2002-2003 Figures

	Cobblers	Robins
27	Players Used	25
8	Clean Sheets	4
17	Failed to Score	10
	Goals scored from...	
2	Corners	8
1	Free Kicks	4
	Goals conceded from...	
2	Corners	3
13	Free Kicks	7

New Year

Cobblers	Avg Pos.	Robins
70	among 92 clubs	44.7
3,443	Avg Att 1993	15,011
5,048	Avg Att 2002	5,109
47	+ / - %	-66

Top League Scorers

		
11	League Goals	19
31	Games Played	31
0.35	Lge Goals/Game	0.61
7	Points Gained	17
1	Scoring Run	6
1	Hat-Tricks	1
3	Close Range	8
5	Inside Area	11
3	Long Range	0
5	Shots	8
1	Headers	3
3	Volleys	4
2	Penalties	4
0	Direct FKs	0

Swings

NT	Games Won from:	ST
0	3 Goals Down	0
0	2 Goals Down	0
1	1 Goal Down	4
	Lost from:	
0	3 Goals Up	0
0	2 Goals Up	0
3	1 Goal Up	1
	Drawn from:	
0	3 Goals Down	0
1	2 Goals Down	1
2	1 Goal Down	3
0	3 Goals Up	0
0	2 Goals Up	0
1	1 Goal Up	5

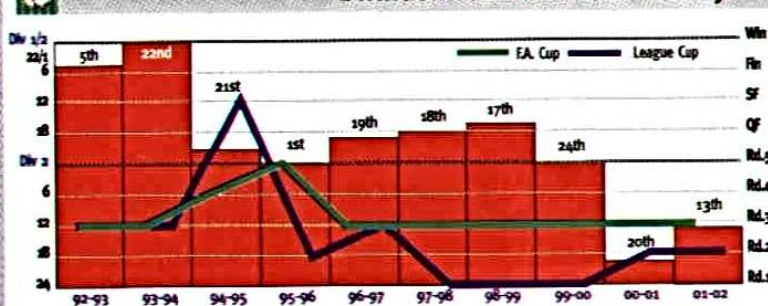
Margins

	Won by 1 Gl	6
4	Won by 2 Gl	4
1	Won by 3 Gl	2
3	Won by 4 Gl	0
0	Won by 5+ Gl	0
	Games	
11	Lost by 1 Gl	4
3	Lost by 2 Gl	6
1	Lost by 3 Gl	2
4	Lost by 4 Gl	0
1	Lost by 5+ Gl	0

Misc stats

8	Highest Pos.	1
23	Lowest Pos.	22
3	Winning Run	2
3	Unbeaten Run	7
4	Losing Run	6
10	No Win Run	7

Swindon Town's 10 Year History



Win	Season	Leading Scorer	Ave Att
01/02	Grazioli	8	6,363
00/01	Invincible	9	6,198
99/00	Hay	10	6,977
98/99	Onuora	20	8,651
97/98	Hay	14	9,505
96/97	Allison	11	9,265
95/96	Allison	17	10,602
94/95	Fjortoft	16	9,408
93/94	Fjortoft	12	15,011
92/93	Maskell	18	10,489



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1. BART GRIEMINK

Giant keeper signed by Colin Todd on a free transfer in the summer of 2000. Griemink is a former Dutch Under-21 international who spent a successful loan spell with The Robins (as cover for Frank Talia) before eventually joining the club. He came to English football in 1995 with Birmingham and deputised competently for the injured Ian Bennett, playing in the 1995 League Cup semi-final. He then followed Barry Fry to Peterborough United but lost his place to Mark Tyler. Griemink started the 2000-01 season as first choice goalkeeper and even deputised as captain, but ended up on the bench as Steve Mildenhall took his place in goal following Griemink's two dismissals and subsequent lengthy suspension. However, following Mildenhall's departure to Notts County Bart played every game last season and was one of the most consistent performers - he was also in contention for the Player of the Year Award.

2. GARETH EDDS

21-year old Australian formerly with Nottingham Forest signed a one-year deal with Town after playing for Town on a non-contract basis for one-month. His early season performances convinced manager Andy King to tie him down to a longer deal. Edds played nearly 40 games at Forest before joining up with the Robins in the summer and has been excellent in the right-back role.

4. MATTHEW HEWLETT

An attacking central midfielder, Matt Hewlett was once tipped for the top by all at Ashton Gate. The former Bristol City player was called into the England Under 21 squad, but a number of injuries curtailed his flourishing career. In the end Hewlett made over 100 appearances for City, but left them to join Town on a Bosman in the summer of 2000. He was a regular for Colin Todd until being hit by injury once again and went on

to play just 26 league games. Matty was a regular last season until a reoccurrence of his knee injury kept him out for the majority of December and January - other than that he was pretty consistent and even managed to bag his first goal for the club, a close range effort during Town's 2-0 victory away at Port Vale in September.

6. ANDY GURNEY

Andy joined Reading from Torquay in January 1999 for £100,000 as an attack-minded, right-sided defender that could also play in midfield. He started his career at hometown club Bristol Rovers, where he spent four seasons before moving to Torquay for one year and impressing during their surge to the play-offs. Established a regular starting place with Reading in 1999/2000 and figured in the Royal's promotion push last year. Was keen to join Town after their impressive performance against Reading and King snapped him up on a Bosman in the summer of 2001. Crowned an impressive home debut performance against Tottenham with a long-range goal and proved to be one of King's best buys.

7. KEITH O'HALLORAN

Irish midfielder who was one of several Bosman signings Colin Todd made in the summer of 2000. O'Halloran is a talented right-sided player who became first choice on the right side of midfield, a position Swindon struggled to fill in 1999/00. O'Halloran started life as a trainee at Middlesbrough, but only made six appearances for Boro before moving to Scotland in 1997. He was a success at St Johnstone, and was offered a new contract but preferred to try his luck in Division Two. A good striker of the ball, O'Halloran proved one of Swindon's best signings of 2000, netting seven goals from midfield (most of them from the penalty spot). Had it not been for injury, O'Halloran probably would have played in every game for Town during the 2000/01 season. Started 2001/02 well, converting three goals from the penalty spot before enduring an horrific tackle at Bournemouth in August. Keith subsequently missed the rest of the season.

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9. SAM PARKIN



A young and very promising forward who joined the club from Chelsea on August 1, 2002. The transfer followed months of speculation, with Andy King, a huge fan of the player, tracking him for several months. Parkin joined the club from Stamford Bridge where his development was hindered by a glut of international stars. However, whilst at the club he joined several other clubs on loan (including of course the Cobblers) and it is with them that he built up a reputation as a quality striker. Sam joined Millwall in September 2000 and made his debut in the Football League for the Lions in a 5-0 demolition of Oxford United. Netted a brace on his first ever appearance and made it three in two with another against Peterborough at London Road. He then went on loan to Wycombe Wanderers in November 2000 after having a trial with Queens Park Rangers. He also had the option of a temporary move to Luton but decided to join the Adams Park outfit. Scored twice in 13 games for the Chairboys. Went on loan once again to Oldham Athletic before joining Northampton Town last season.

10. STEFAN MIGLIORANZI

Miglioranzi is the product of the American College football system in which the most promising players are drafted into Major League Soccer. Stefani helped St John's University win the 1996 NCAA Division I Championship and played for MLS team Chicago Fire before joining Everton on trial. They were keen to sign him but no deal came about. Portsmouth then out jumped Liverpool

in inviting him for a trial and signed him soon thereafter. The 22-year-old is a Brazilian born American but holds an Italian passport. As a footballer the genes don't come much better. What's more, Miglioranzi is versatile; he can play in defence or as a central midfielder and since joining the club in July, has impressed in the middle of Town's midfield.

11. DAVID DUKE

Left-sided midfielder that arrived on a free transfer from Sunderland in 2000. Unfortunately, Duke never managed a start for the Black Cat's first team. Duke appeared regularly in his first season with the Robins. He combined well with Sol Davis down the Robins' left and is a good crosser of the ball. Duke can also play at wing-back and will want to build on a decent start for Swindon. Consistency is the key for the Scotsman who has shown glimpses of what he is capable of, especially when running at defenders with the ball. Was in and out of the side last season but with a bit of consistency, can make the left side his own following the departure of Sol Davis.

14. ERIC SABIN

Few had heard of the young Frenchman when he joined the club last summer, but with Andy King comparing him to Thierry Henry he brought a lot of flair and excitement to Town's front line. Sabin joined Town from French Second Division club Wasquehall who finished 18th in season 2000/01. Sabin contributed with seven goals in 58 starts in France and last season, he didn't get the goals he deserved scoring just five in total. However, in terms of hard work Sabin brings much more to the team and in the first few games alone he earned four penalties. Sabin looks particularly dangerous when the ball is played behind the opposing defence for he has blistering pace. With a bit more confidence in front of goal, Sabin could prove to be a great acquisition.

17. DANNY INVINCIBLE

Australian midfielder who endeared



himself to the fans having been recommended to Colin Todd by Harry Redknapp at West Ham. Danny subsequently joined the Robins on a free transfer when Todd watched him in a trial game. After a slow start (although he did score on his debut against West Brom), Danny showed the club what he was capable of with five goals in four games in October/November in season 2000/01. The former Marconi Stallion and Aussie Under-21 star would later become Town's top scorer with ten goals, arguably his most important coming in the last home game of that season against Peterborough in the ninetyth minute - a goal that some say kept the club up. Danny is at his most dangerous when he is running at defenders and he was ever present again last season with eight goals to his name - attracting a lot of interest from a number of clubs. A crowd favourite, fans will be pinning the sides' hopes on his shoulders this season.

18. CRAIG FARR

Goalkeeper who was an unused substitute for the Robins in the 2000-01 season and will hope the departure of Steve Mildenhall gives him more of a chance. Has impressed greatly when given the chance in Town's second string and could become Bart Griemink's understudy this season.

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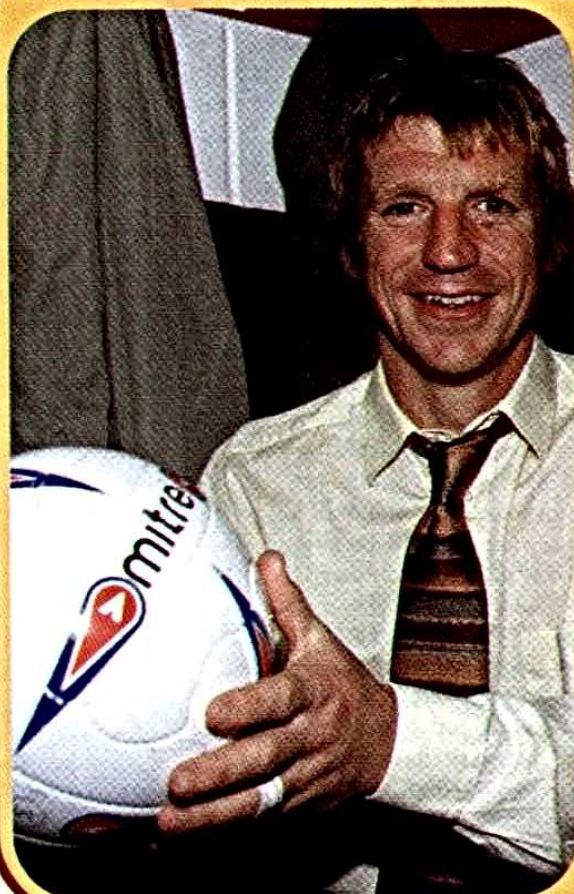
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Good afternoon once again to everyone and welcome back to Sixfields. After today, there are only 5 home games left to book your matchday dedication this season. Please either visit the web site or fill in the form on this page.

As usual today we will be going pitchside at 2.40pm to get the latest team news from Pete Smith. Either side of that, rely on Radio Cobblers for the best pre-match and half time entertainment.

We all have a big part to play today and for the rest of the season in making sure the Cobblers stay up, so let's all get together and make sure we do it. Up the Cobblers!

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TRUST UPDATE

Open Forum

The next open forum will take place on Thursday 13th March. Guest speaker will be Manager Martin Wilkinson, as ever it is open to all supporters and is free of charge. The meeting is at Sixfields and is 7.30pm for an 8pm start.

Supporters' Development Fund.

Please see the Trust website for further details www.ntfctrust.co.uk. I have recently emailed a letter to both the Sixfields Travel Club and the Independent Supporters Club to remind them of their right of a place on the Trust Executive Committee and inviting them to the Trust's committee meeting and therefore have an input into NTFC / Supporters issues. In particular this is a good opportunity to give their members/travelers views and also feed supporter information back. This takes on added significance with the advent of the Supporters' Development fund and to have an input into how this will work and what the money should be spent on. I did not get a response from either but I will email and post a letter to both again for next month's meeting as the Trust is determined to build bridges and unite the fan base as this is crucial if supporters are to be a force in how NTFC is run.

New Executive members.

It was nice to see a new member (Bill Craven) on board to help us on the Executive after our appeal at the AGM. We desperately need more Executive members. As I have stated before you do not need to hold an officer's post, just attend the meetings and help out where you can. Please contact me if you are interested.

NTFC matters.

I would like to go on record to thank NTFC for their recent schemes of paying the cost for one coach for each of the three travel clubs for the Huddersfield

game. I can tell you that Trust Travel passed on this saving by charging Adults £5 and Concessions went for free for the same game. Also a great idea for today's game of allowing season ticket holders to bring along one person free of charge. Let's hope the team put on a performance to turn them into paying customers in the future.

I hope NTFC will continue with schemes such as this and will continue to look at the ticketing issues that have caused us problems since moving to Sixfields. I think we should ask the police that on all ticket games supporters who are already on the Sixfields database should be allowed to buy tickets on the day of the game.

As the Football and Rugby fixture computers do not seem to be able to arrange the Saints and Cobblers to play on different days, I would appeal to NTFC for next season to change our kick off times to not clash with the Saints as there are a number of supporters who like to watch both.

Newsletter

We will over the next month be putting the next Trust newsletter together. If you have any articles you want including please email them to Vsmith1cramond@aol.com or contact myself, details below. We are looking for sponsors again for the newsletter so if you are interested in sponsorship in the newsletter contact myself. Prices are £50 for an Eighth of a page, £90 Quarter page, £150 Half page, £200 Full page (A4). Benefits include access to over 600 Trust members plus other Cobblers supporters. If you would like to contact myself about any of the above please see details below. I look forward to your response.

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As we approach the final 10 games of the season, there is nothing like a reminder of successful teams of the past to lift spirits and boost the confidence, and today we feature the 1986/87 Division 4 Championship side, as mentioned by President Bob Church elsewhere in today's programme.

BACK ROW L-R

PHIL CHARD: Phil joined the Cobblers from Peterborough in time to make his debut against.... the Posh! He also won Championship medals in three consecutive seasons (Div 4 Northampton 1987), (Div 4 Wolves 1988), (Div 3 Wolves 1989).

RICHARD HILL: Graham Carr signed Richard and Trevor Morley from his old club Nuneaton for a combined fee of £30,000. Two seasons and 50 league and cup goals later, Hill was on his way to Watford for a club record fee of £265,000.

BOB COY: After service with Wolves and Chester, Bob came to Northampton and took over as one of the first team central defenders. Midway through the season he lost his place and spent the remainder of his contract out on loan. He later became a policeman.

RUSSELL WILCOX: After failing to make the grade at Doncaster Rovers, Russell dropped in to non-league football with Frickley. He then became an integral part of Cobblers defence for the next 4 seasons, although he did miss almost all of the 1988/89 season with injury.

GRAHAM REED: Rambo joined the club as a forward but was converted to a defender within a few weeks of arriving. Graham always gave 100%.

EDDIE MCGOLDRICK: Eddie was another Nuneaton old boy, who after leaving the Cobblers also gave service to the likes of Arsenal and Crystal Palace.

MIDDLE ROW L-R

DENIS CASEY: Ex Cobblers youth team player who spent most of his playing career with Wellingborough Town. He was physio at Nuneaton when Graham Carr brought him to Northampton. At present he is the longest serving member of staff.

MARK BUSHILL: After Aidy Mann, Mark was the youngest player ever to wear Northampton's colours. Unfortunately he was restricted to one game in three seasons. He later played for a host

of non league sides and even had a spell in the oval ball game.

IAN BENJAMIN: There have been some strange twists to Ian's career. He was signed by West Brom for £100,000 but only played twice and he left Exeter for Southend because he was homesick! He now covers even more ground than he did as a player - he's now a postman!

ALAN HARRIS: Understudy goalkeeper to Peter Gleasure, and another Nuneaton old boy.

GLENNIE DONEGAL: Locally born Glen was one of the stars of the youth team but failed to make the first team on a regular basis. He later dropped in to non league football with Aylesbury, but Graham Carr later took him to Maidstone.

PETER GLEASURE: Peter was one of the few players who remained once Graham Carr started his clear out. He missed just five league games in nine seasons, but the arrival of Theo Foley saw him dropped and transfer listed.

KEITH MCPHERSON: Keith was on loan to Cambridge United when they lost 5-2 at home to the Cobblers. He showed enough though for Graham Carr to take him to the County Ground and after 5 seasons at Northampton he joined Reading.

PAUL CURTIS: After more than 100 games for Charlton and Northampton, Paul is now the club's Director of Youth Development. Paul also made a playing comeback in 1992/93 season.

CLIVE WALKER: After leaving Northampton in 1990, Clive has been assistant Manager to Graham Carr at Maidstone, Dagenham and Kettering. He has managed Maidstone himself and also been assistant at Dover, taking over several times for short spells.

FRONT ROW L-R

DAVID GILBERT: David was released by Lincoln and given a one match trial by Scunthorpe. He then spent four years in non-league football with Boston United. The first club he played for the Cobblers against was...Scunthorpe!

AIDY MANN: The youngest player ever to appear for Northampton at 16 years and 297 days. He became something of a footballing nomad, taking in 16 clubs. He also was Manager at another three, all in a 20 year period.

GRAHAM CARR: As a league player Graham had a small amount of success, but when he moved into non-league football he became a valuable asset. He was captain of Telford when they won the FA Trophy. **TREVOR MORLEY:** After being discarded by Derby, Trevor signed for Corby and then moved to Nuneaton for a record £7,500. His transfer to Northampton for £30,000 (combined with Richard Hill) was also a record for Nuneaton.

WARREN DONALD: Warren joined the club as part of the Graham Carr revolution. Warren arrived from West Ham - initially on loan - and became a real crowd favourite before he left the club to join Colchester United.



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Date	Opponents	Res	Att (away)	Pts	Pos	Kit	Harper	Gill	Spedding	Marsh
SAT 10 AUG	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H	1-1	5,694(1,097)	1	12				
Tue 13 Aug	Wycombe Wanderers	A	1-1	5,993(745)	2	15				
Sat 17 Aug	Cardiff City	A	2-1	13,321(388)	5	8				
FRI 23 AUG	BLACKPOOL	H	0-1	5,556(683)	5	8				
Tue 27 Aug	Chesterfield	A	0-4	3,585(818)	5	18				
SAT 31 AUG	BARNSELY	H	1-0	5,004(865)	8	16				
Fri 6 Sep	Bristol City	A	0-3	11,104(371)	8	16				
TUE 10 SEP	WIGAN ATHLETIC (WC1)	H	0-1	2,336(82)	-	-				
SAT 14 SEP	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H	0-0	4,679(641)	9	18				
TUE 17 SEP	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	4-1	3,663(151)	12	14				
Sat 21 Sep	Swindon Town	A	0-2	4,719(506)	12	14				
SAT 28 SEP	MANSFIELD TOWN	H	2-0	5,594(597)	15	12				
Sat 5 Oct	Plymouth Argyle	A	0-0	8,530(265)	16	11				
SAT 12 OCT	BRENTFORD	H	1-2	5,739(517)	16	14				
Sat 19 Oct	Notts County	A	1-2	6,009(877)	16	16				
Tue 22 Oct	Hereford United (LDV 1)	A	4-3**	1,087(92)	-	-				
SAT 26 OCT	CHELTHENHAM TOWN	H	1-2	5,354(627)	16	18				
Tue 29 Oct	Oldham Athletic	A	0-4	5,512(207)	16	20				
SAT 2 NOV	LUTON TOWN	H	3-0	5,750(1,250)	19	16				
Sat 9 Nov	Queens Park Rangers	A	1-0	11,947(856)	22	14				
TUE 12 NOV	CAMBRIDGE UTD (LDV 2)	H	2-4	2,497(554)	-	-				
SAT 16 NOV	BOSTON UTD (FAC 1)	H	3-2	4,373(897)	-	-				
SAT 23 NOV	PORT VALE	H	3-0	4,357(358)	25	12				
Sat 30 Nov	Wigan Athletic	A	0-1	6,032(315)	25	14				
Sat 7 Dec	Cambridge United (FAC 2)	A	2-2	5,076(1,416)	-	-				
SAT 14 DEC	TRANMERE ROVERS	H	0-4	4,268(287)	25	16				
TUE 17 DEC	CAMBRIDGE UTD (FAC2R)	H	0-1	4,591(1,020)	-	-				
Fri 20 Dec	Stockport County	A	0-4	4,516(137)	25	17				
THU 26 DEC	CHESTERFIELD	H	0-1	5,282(686)	25	19				
Sat 28 Dec	Peterborough United	A	0-0	7,767(2,360)	26	20				
Wed 1 Jan	Barnsley	A	2-1	9,531(377)	29	14				
SAT 4 JAN	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	0-5	4,679(805)	29	15				
Sat 18 Jan	Blackpool	A	1-2	5,646(356)	29	16				
SAT 25 JAN	PETERBOROUGH UTD	H	0-1	5,906(1,136)	29	19				
Sat 1 Feb	Crewe Alexandra	A	3-3	6,164(436)	30	19				
TUE 4 FEB	CARDIFF CITY	H	0-1	4,553(770)	30	19				
SAT 8 FEB	QPR	H	1-1	5,859(1,482)	31	21				
Sat 15 Feb	Luton Town	A	2-3	7,048(905)	31	22				
SAT 22 FEB	BRISTOL CITY	H	1-2	4,688(884)	31	23				
Sat 1 Mar	Huddersfield Town	A	0-2	9,661(609)	31	23				
Tue 4 Mar	Colchester United	A	0-2	3,408(316)	31	23				
SAT 8 MAR	SWINDON TOWN	H								
Sat 15 Mar	Cheltenham Town	A	live and interactive							
TUE 18 MAR	NOTTS COUNTY	H								
SAT 22 MAR	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H								
Sat Mar 29	Brentford	A								
FRI 4 APR	WIGAN ATHLETIC	H								
Sat 12 Apr	Port Vale	A								
FRI 18 APR	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H								
Mon 21 Apr	Tranmere Rovers	A								
SAT 26 APR	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	H								
Sat 3 May	Mansfield Town	A								

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Goalscorers in bold capitals

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Spedding	Marsh	Hope	Trollope	McGregor	Harsley	Stamp	Forrester	Hargreaves	GABBIADINI	Carruthers	Lincoln	Abbey	Asamoah
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Spedding	Sampson	Burgess	Trollope	Carruthers	Harsley	Gabbiadini	Forrester	Hargreaves	Morison	Marsh	McGregor	Abbey	Asamoah
Spedding	Sampson	Burgess	Trollope	Asamoah	Harsley	Gabbiadini	Forrester	Hargreaves	Morison	Lincoln	MCGREGOR	Abbey	Carruthers
Spedding	Sampson	Burgess	Carruthers	Asamoah	Harsley	Gabbiadini	McGregor	Hargreaves	Morison	Lincoln	Forrester	Abbey	Rickers
Spedding	Carruthers	Burgess	Trollope	McGregor	Harsley	Gabbiadini	Forrester	Hargreaves	One	Lincoln	Asamoah	Harper	Rickers
Carruthers	Rickers	Burgess	Trollope	McGregor	Harsley	Gabbiadini	One	Hargreaves	Forrester	Lincoln	Asamoah	Abbey	Morison
Carruthers	Burgess	Burgess	Trollope	McGregor	Harsley	GABBIADINI(3)	ONE	Hargreaves	Forrester	Lincoln	Asamoah	Abbey	Rickers
Carruthers	Sampson	Spedding	Trollope	McGregor	Harsley	Gabbiadini	One	Hargreaves	Forrester	Lincoln	Asamoah	Abbey	Rickers
Carruthers	Sampson	Burgess	TROLLOPE	Rickers	Harsley	GABBIADINI(p)	One	Hargreaves	Forrester	Lincoln	Asamoah	Abbey	Hope
Carruthers	Sampson	Burgess	Trollope	Rickers	Harsley	Gabbiadini	One	Hargreaves	Forrester	Lincoln	Asamoah	Bunn	Hope
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Gill	Sampson	Burgess	Trollope	Asamoah	Harsley	GABBIADINI	Forrester	HARGREAVES	Low	Hope	Morison	Harper	Cavill
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Carruthers	Sampson	Burgess	Trollope	STAMP	Harsley	Gabbiadini	Forrester	HARGREAVES	McGregor	Hope	Asamoah	Thompson	Spedding
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Carruthers	Reid	Hope	McGregor	Asamoah	Harsley	Gabbiadini	Stamp	Rahim	Sampson	Turner	Burgess	Thompson	Marsh
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APPS: 2002/2003 23 + 1
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Career 159 + 3
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
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Career 484 + 43
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
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NTFC 124 + 19
Career 128 + 22
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
NTFC 2
Career 2
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APPS: 2002/2003 6 + 1
NTFC 231 + 4
Career 558 + 13
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
NTFC 7
Career 33
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APPS: 2002/2003 18 + 6
NTFC 58 + 11
Career 162 + 49
GOALS: 2002/2003 2
NTFC 7
Career 38
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Career 211 + 26
GOALS: 2002/2003 2
NTFC 2
Career 20
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NTFC 35 + 17
Career 35 + 17
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
NTFC 1
Career 1
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APPS: 2002/2003 0
NTFC 3
Career 253 + 15
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
NTFC 0
Career 4
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KIT SPONSORS James Rose

Paul Rickers Born: Dewsbury 09/05/75
APPS: 2002/2003 11 + 4
NTFC 11 + 4
Career 291 + 28
GOALS: 2002/2003 1
NTFC 1
Career 23
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APPS: 2002/2003 1 + 7
NTFC 1 + 7
Career 1 + 7
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
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Career 0
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Andy Turner Born: Woolwich 23/03/75
APPS: 2002/2003 0 + 3
NTFC 0 + 3
Career 133 + 52
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
NTFC 0
Career 14
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Derek Asamoah Born: Ghana 01/05/81
APPS: 2002/2003 18 + 20
NTFC 21 + 62
Career 21 + 62
GOALS: 2002/2003 4
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APPS: 2002/2003 6
NTFC 6
Career 6
GOALS: 2002/2003 1
NTFC 1
Career 1
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Paul Reid Born: Carlisle 18/02/82
APPS: 2002/2003 10
NTFC 10
Career 27 + 3
GOALS: 2002/2003 0
NTFC 0
Career 1
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14/11/68
APPS:
2002/2003 25 + 2
NTFC 382 + 8
Career 400 + 15
GOALS:
2002/2003 0
NTFC 27
Career 28
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22/06/78
APPS:
2002/2003 15 + 8
NTFC 124 + 25
Career 189 + 27
GOALS:
2002/2003 2
NTFC 8
Career 9
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Kane

Darryn Stamp Born: Beverley
21/09/78
APPS:
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NTFC 9 + 8
Career 32 + 48
GOALS:
2002/2003 3
NTFC 3
Career 9
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Crewe	35	20	7	8	61	32	67	29
Cardiff	34	19	9	6	53	27	66	26
Bristol C	35	18	8	9	61	38	62	23
Oldham	35	17	11	7	50	31	62	19
QPR	35	16	9	10	52	40	57	12
Tranmere	35	16	7	12	46	48	55	-2
Blackpool	35	15	9	11	46	43	54	3
Luton	35	15	8	12	52	48	53	4
Plymouth	35	13	11	11	48	39	50	9
Swindon	34	12	10	12	46	48	46	-2
Brentford	34	12	9	13	36	37	45	-1
Wycombe	35	11	9	15	48	47	42	1
Notts Co	35	9	14	12	51	54	41	-3
Colchester	34	10	11	13	39	45	41	-6
Barnsley	35	10	10	15	41	51	40	-10
Chesterfield	35	11	6	18	31	50	39	-19
Peterborough	34	9	11	14	35	45	38	-10
Stockport	35	10	7	18	46	57	37	-11
Huddersfield	35	9	9	17	27	42	36	-15
Mansfield	35	10	6	19	53	72	36	-19
Port Vale	35	9	8	18	39	57	35	-18
Northampton	35	8	7	20	31	57	31	-26
Cheltenham	34	6	12	16	33	53	30	-20

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Barnsley v Stockport 15:00
Cardiff City v Notts County 15:00
Cheltenham v Mansfield Town 15:00
Chesterfield v Plymouth 15:00
Luton Town v Huddersfield 15:00
Oldham v Colchester 15:00
Peterborough v Wigan Athletic 15:00
Port Vale v Blackpool 15:00
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8 year old **Thomas Manton** attends Booth Lower School and lists his hobbies as football and rugby. Thomas also likes WWF and his favourite Cobblers player is Marco Gobbiodini.



8 year old **Jack Manton** attends Booth Lower School and lists his hobbies as football and his Playstation. Jack's favourite player is midfielder Paul Harsley.



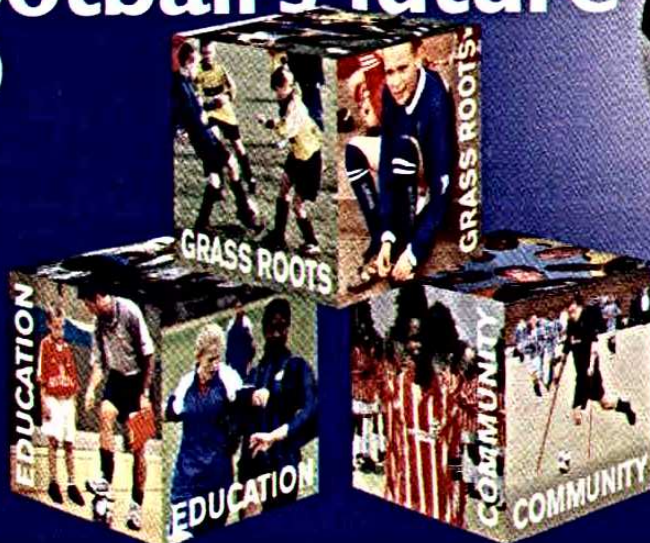
Robert Orr is 12 years old today, so happy birthday to Robert from everyone at Sixfields. He attends All Saints Middle School in Northampton and his hobbies are watching and playing football, using his Playstation and the internet. Robert also collects Lego, and enjoys watching Ascars at the Rockingham Speedway. He plays football for Spinney Scorpions.



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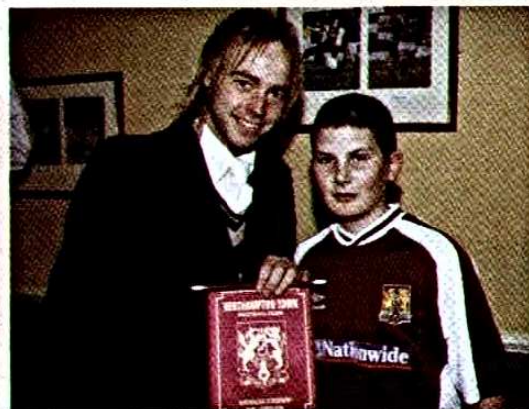


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New Club lottery.

We are in the early stages of a lottery re-launch. The new £2.00 a week club lottery will be run by the club for the club. The draw will take place every Tuesday and 50% of all money raised will be won in prizes. All remaining money will go back into the development of youth football.

We will be teaming up with Northants 96 to help promote the lottery and everyone who enters will have the chance to draw the first numbers live on Northants 96.

Duncan McKenzie Executive Dinner Thursday 27th March 2003



Steve Kinson at the
last Executive Dinner

Tickets for the final Executive Dinner of the season, an evening with Duncan McKenzie on Thursday 27th March at the Hilton Hotel, Northampton have sold out. Duncan the former E v e r t o n ,

Nottingham Forest and Leeds United player will be ably supported by well know circuit comedian Rod Woodward.

A Game of Two Halves Friday 4th April 2003

This is for all those have football fans who enjoy their golf. We have arranged a day's golfing at Collingtree Park Golf Club - the 'first half' consists of



registration with a bacon roll and c o f f e e followed by 18 holes of golf off split tees for a team of three. O n c e changed and refreshed you then make your way down to

Sixfields for the 'second half' - a full night of hospitality. After your pre-match meal you will enjoy 90 minutes of football at the Cobblers match against current league leaders Wigan Athletic. After the final whistle you will return to the restaurant for the days presentations. Cost: £299.00 inc Vat per team of three. £100.00 inc Vat for sponsorship of a hole.

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Other sponsorship opportunities are available including the longest drive, nearest the pin, and a hole in one competition.

The nttc.co.uk Awards Dinner Tuesday 29th April 2003

The club are holding the above inaugural awards dinner, which will take place at the Hilton Hotel in Northampton. For those who wish to book a table of ten you can have two members of the Cobblers playing squad sitting with you.

If you wish to discuss any of the above or any commercial activities
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Northampton Town goalkeeper Lee Harper continued his recovery from injury when he kept a clean sheet for the Cobblers reserves in a 0-0 draw down at Northwood FC against Queens Park Rangers recently.

The Cobblers keeper was joined by professionals John Frain and Andy Turner in a generally young side.

It was Frain who particularly impressed coach Mark Kearney. "John played 70 minutes and was absolutely outstanding," said Kearney. "Lee played the full 90 minutes and did well. Rangers had a strong side out there and we are delighted to have come away with a draw. We were strong when we had to be and could even have pinched the game at the end. We had a young back 4 against some experienced players and we are pleased with a clean sheet."

The Cobblers reserves are next in action this coming Wednesday when they play host to Cheltenham Town.



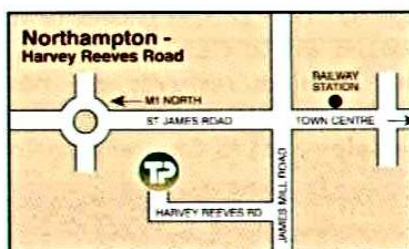
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Wed Aug 28	C PALACE	H 0-7
Wed Sep 4	BOURNEMOUTH	H 1-3
Wed Sep 11	Bristol Rovers	A 1-4
Wed Sep 18	Cardiff	A 0-3
Tue Sep 24	Brentford	A 2-3
Wed Oct 2	BRISTOL CITY	H 1-2
Wed Oct 9	Cambridge	A 1-0
Wed Oct 16	MILLWALL	H 1-0
Tue Nov 5	Desborough (NFA Cup)	A 1-0
Wed Nov 20	L ORIENT	H 2-3
Wed Nov 27	LUTON	H 3-1
Fri Dec 6	P'boro (NFA Cup)	A 0-1
Wed Jan 15	Plymouth	A 2-2
Wed Jan 22	Brighton	A P-P
Wed Jan 29	NORWICH	H 1-3
Wed Feb 5	Swindon	A P-P
Wed Feb 12	PORTSMOUTH	H 1-1
Wed Feb 19	WYCOMBE	H 1-2
Tue Feb 25	QPR	A 0-0
Wed Mar 12	CHELTENHAM	H 14:00
Wed Mar 19	Oxford	A 14:00
Wed Mar 26	Reading	A 14:00
Wed Apr 2	GILLINGHAM	H 14:00
Wed Apr 9	PETERBOROUGH	H 14:00
Wed Apr 16	Colchester	A 14:00
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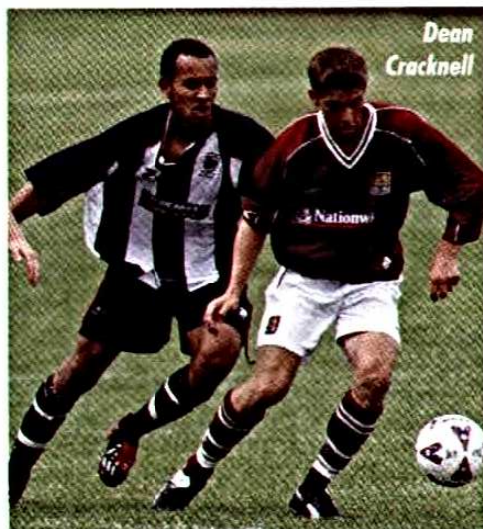
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Last Saturday, the Cobblers under 19 team began their Merit Division campaign with a trip to previously unbeaten West Bromwich Albion. The Baggies pipped the Cobblers to the South Central Conference title so the Cobblers were looking to get their Merit Division campaign off to a good start.

With coach Mark Kearney and Director of Youth Development Paul Curtis travelling with the first team to Huddersfield, the side were led by Mike Emms, and the Cobblers recorded a very creditable 1-0 win to inflict Albion's first defeat of the season.

The only goal of the game came from a Dean Cracknell penalty, leaving Emms to reflect, "I was delighted with the win and the performance. We did well going forward in the first half and defended well when we had to in the second. Overall we had more chances than they did and deserved to win the game. Dean Cracknell was excellent in the middle of the field, while Luke Chambers and Luke Graham performed well at the back."



FOOTBALL LEAGUE YOUTH ALLIANCE FIXTURES

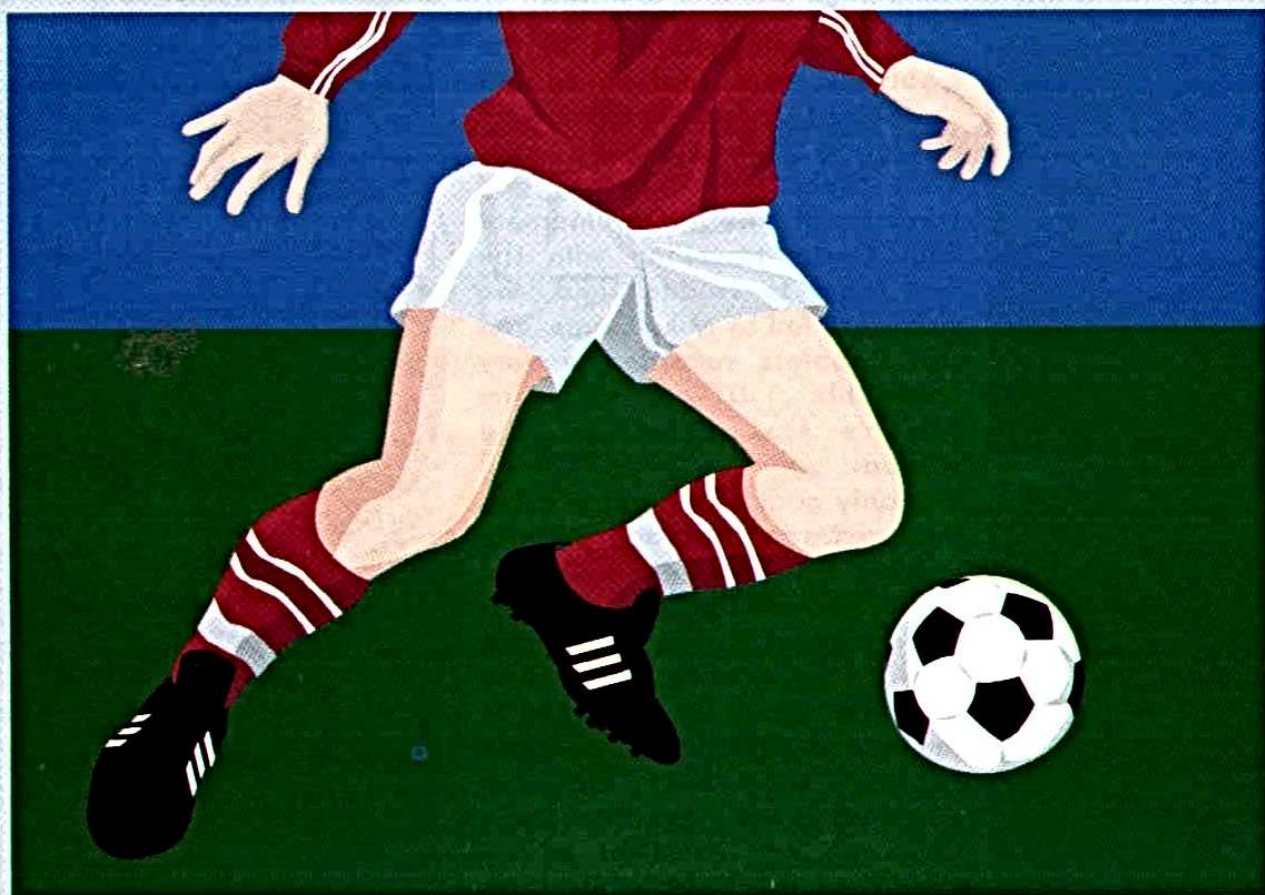
Sat Aug 17	Oxford	1-0
Sat Aug 24	W B A	2-3
Sat Sep 14	Kidderminster (FLYA Cup)	2-1
Sat Sep 21	RUSHDEN (FLYA Cup)	2-0
Sat Sep 28	Luton	1-0
Sat Oct 5	Walsall	2-0
Sat Oct 12	RUSHDEN	1-1
Sat Oct 19	Kidderminster	1-1
Wed Oct 23	Shrewsbury (FAY Cup)	2-0
Sat Nov 2	CAMBRIDGE	2-1
Mon Nov 4	Oadby (FAY Cup)	0-1
Sat Nov 9	Peterborough	0-3
Sat Nov 16	Swindon (FLYA Cup)	2-1
Sat Nov 23	WALSALL	1-0
Sat Nov 30	KIDDERMINSTER	3-0
Sat Dec 14	Cambridge	2-1
Fri Dec 20	Rushden	1-1
Sat Jan 18	OXFORD	0-1
Sat Jan 25	W B A	0-1
Sat Feb 1	LUTON	3-0
Mon Feb 10	PETERBOROUGH	1-0
Wed Mar 5	COLCHESTER (FLYA Cup)	

MERIT DIVISION FIXTURES

Sat Mar 1	West Brom	1-0
Sat Mar 8	Plymouth	
Sat Mar 15	SWINDON	11:00
Sat Mar 22	WYCOMBE	11:00
Sat Mar 29	Brentford	10:45
Sat Apr 5	PORTSMOUTH	12:00
Sat Apr 12	BRISTOL ROVERS	12:00
Sat Apr 19	Peterborough	11:00
Sat Apr 26	CARDIFF	12:00

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Paul Curtis

Good afternoon and from everyone in the Youth Development Department, welcome to today's game against Swindon Town.

It is my pleasure to welcome a number of our

sponsors to today's game. I would like to thank them all for their support, and hope that they have an enjoyable afternoon with us.

Our guests are;

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Last weekend, our under 12s, 13s and 14s took on their Walsall counterparts.

The Under 12s turned in an excellent team performance to emerge victorious. Manager Stuart Hardy was delighted with the performance of all the players, especially Michael Jacobs, Jamie Forbes and Gary Ridgeway.

The under 13s were beaten by what coach Stuart Parkes describes as the largest and physically strongest under 13 team he has ever seen. The players did well to compete and scored through an excellent free kick from Sam Maude. Lee Burgoyne was another who did well and all of the boys can be pleased with how they competed against a physically stronger side.

The under 14s were also surprised by the physical size of their opponents and coach Kevin England was forced to field a depleted side with a number of players missing through injury. We went behind but responded well and competed for most of the game until the size of the Walsall side told and our lads ran out of steam in the closing stages.

Youth Recruitment Officer Charlie Brewster provides us with a recruitment update as our planning for next season continues;

Leicester City, Aston Villa, Peterborough United and Rushden & Diamonds are just four of the clubs we regularly compete with here at Northampton Town for the signatures of young players. Putting together the latest squad of players we have had to fight off stiff competition from more than one of our illustrious Premiership counterparts for their signatures. How old are these players you might ask? just eight years old.

Research has shown that being able to play and train in Centre of Excellences or academies from the age of eight, with access to the latest technology, facilities and coaching methods has meant that in general, players who are not in the system from an early age are unlikely to make that elite band of players playing professional football.

The squad we are currently putting together will form the under nine squad for season 03/04 and have been selected mostly from our under eight Masterclass system, with players from as far a field as Stamford in Lincolnshire, Oakham and Market Harborough in Leicestershire, Milton Keynes and of course Northampton. Some of these young players have been connected with the Cobblers from the age of five. Every six weeks the under eight players, from ten Masterclasses, will travel to Northampton to play against each other and let the Centre of Excellence staff see the promising youngsters on show, [unfortunately we are unaware of and unable to stop our competitors watching]. On these days we will regularly see up to a hundred and twenty under 8 players.

We have currently offered five places to players for next season, although our efforts to find a goalkeeper of the correct standard are proving difficult at the moment. The five players we have taken so far have started to mix with the current under nine squad to give them an understanding of expectation for next season.

So you can see here at Northampton Town we have to be on our toes and be as active as possible in order to compete for the signatures of talented young players - the challenge now of course is to turn them into first team players.

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Multi-Disabled News

Over the last month there have been football matches for the players who attend the Friday evening coaching at Sixfields. Last week we took an adult team to Watford where we played in the morning and later watched Watford play Nottingham Forest. The result of our game was a 4 - 0 win for Northampton with Matthew O'Boyle scoring a hat-trick and Andrew Redding scoring the other goal. The players who took part were Graham Norris, Lisa Copping, Richard Holton, Daniel Williams, Robert Meikle and Matthew Read.

The photograph shows players from Northampton and Brentford who played at Sixfields at half time in the Bristol City game. Brentford won by 4 goals to 1.

Play Safe Trophy 2002/2003

This season's Play Safe Trophy has been an outstanding success with many schools around the country taking part, courtesy of the Football League the final of the competition will be played as part of the pre match entertainment before the LDV Vans Trophy Final at the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff. At the start of the season, sponsors Railtrack, wanted to continue to promote to children an awareness of the dangers that surround

railway lines. Many, many children have taken part in this season's competition, enjoying their football and using their free time in a very positive way.

St Lawrence Junior School represented Northampton Town in the Area Final at Derby County.

School Visits

Northampton Town's Football in the Community Programme are currently visiting, Deanshanger Primary School, Ashton Primary School, Harpole Primary School, Flore Primary School, Lumbertubs Lower School, Vale Mead Lower School, Lings Lower School, Badby Primary School, Braunston Primary School, Thorplands Lower School, High School for Girls and Preston Hedges Primary School.

If any schools would be interested in a Taster Session or Lunch-time Clubs or After School Coaching please ring the Community Office on 01604 588676.

Today's guests are Duston Knights who are attending the Saturday Club and Cameron Cronin and Bradley Artimiu who are celebrating their birthday party with us.

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Most Scoring chances per game

	On Target	Off T		On Target	Off T
Wigan	6.63	7.11	Wycombe	5.34	5.09
Plymouth	5.91	7.31	Oldham	4.71	5.63
Cardiff	6.06	6.12	Huddersfield	5.11	5.09
Crewe	6.77	5.37	Swindon	5.29	4.76
Barnsley	5.71	6.29	Cheltenham	5.35	4.56
QPR	5.74	6.00	Stockport	5.09	4.54
Mansfield	6.06	5.49	Port Vale	4.51	4.86
Bristol City	5.57	5.26	Notts County	5.06	4.09
Tranmere	5.40	5.29	Northampton	4.54	4.31
Luton	5.20	5.34	Colchester	4.35	4.18
Blackpool	5.46	5.06	Chesterfield	4.23	4.23
Peterborough	5.62	4.88	Brentford	3.44	4.18

Goals in last 15 Mins of match

FOR	76-90	Tot	%	AGAINST	76-90	Tot	%
Peterborough	14	35	40	Mansfield	23	72	32
Luton	17	52	33	Cardiff	8	27	30
Notts County	16	51	31	Tranmere	14	48	29
Bristol City	19	61	31	Northampton	16	57	28
Oldham	14	50	28	Chesterfield	14	50	28
Cardiff	14	53	26	Stockport	15	57	26
Blackpool	12	46	26	Oldham	8	31	26
Huddersfield	7	27	26	Plymouth	10	39	26
QPR	13	52	25	Crewe	8	32	25
Wycombe	12	48	25	Wigan	5	20	25
Tranmere	11	46	24	Brentford	9	37	24
Brentford	8	36	22	Huddersfield	10	42	24
Swindon	10	46	22	Swindon	11	48	23

ordered by late goals as % of all goals



TOP GOALSCORERS

Scored in last 10 mins

Player	Club	Tot
Counago	Ipswich	6
Earnshaw	Cardiff	6
Howard	Luton	6
Bramble	Southend	6
Miller	Wolves	5
Clarke A	Peterborough	5
Gallen	QPR	5
Hall	Rushden	5
Boyd	Kilmarnock	5
Hasselbaink	Chelsea	4
Radzinski	Everton	4
Anelka	Man City	4
Bent D	Ipswich	4
Harris	Millwall	4
Johnson	Forest	4
Asaba	Sheff Utd	4
Taylor	Blackpool	4
Murray	Bristol City	4
Hulse	Crewe	4
Stallard	Notts County	4
Connell	Bournemouth	4
Kitson	Cambridge	4

Scored in 1st 10 mins

Player	Club	Tot
Kitson	Cambridge	6
Johnson	Forest	4
Liddell	Wigan	4
Sutton	Celtic	4
Kanu	Arsenal	3
Wallace	Gillingham	3
Kabba	Grimsby	3
Scowcroft	Leicester	3
Claridge	Millwall	3
Flack	Exeter	3
Green	Hull	3
Graham	Torquay	3

Average Shots On and Off target per game

Goals from Set Pieces for and against

SCORED	Co	FK	CONCEDED	Co	FK
Plymouth	14	8	Mansfield	10	10
Crewe	4	12	Cheltenham	10	6
Oldham	8	7	Blackpool	7	8
Brentford	7	6	Huddersfield	7	8
Bristol City	5	8	Northampton	2	13
Wigan	7	6	Port Vale	12	3
Blackpool	10	2	Peterborough	9	4
QPR	7	5	Stockport	11	2
Swindon	8	4	Barnsley	4	7
Cardiff	8	3	Cardiff	3	7
Luton	7	4	Notts County	6	4
Tranmere	6	5	Swindon	3	7
Wycombe	7	4	Tranmere	6	4
Notts County	2	8			

Co = Corners FK = Free Kick Routines

COMEBACKS

Won from	-3	-2	-1	Tot
Luton	0	0	6	6
Blackpool	0	0	4	4
Mansfield	0	0	4	4
Swindon	0	0	4	4
Tranmere	0	0	4	4
Bristol City	0	1	2	3
Barnsley	0	0	3	3
Crewe	0	0	3	3
Port Vale	0	0	3	3
QPR	0	0	3	3

THROWAWAYS

Lost from	+3	+2	+1	Tot
Cheltenham	0	0	6	6
Barnsley	0	0	5	5
Chesterfield	0	0	5	5
Stockport	0	1	3	4
Notts County	0	0	4	4
Mansfield	0	1	2	3
Luton	0	0	3	3
Northampton	0	0	3	3
Plymouth	0	0	3	3
QPR	0	0	3	3

number of games when clubs have come behind to win or been ahead and lost

Margins of Victory

Games WON by	1gl	2gl	3gl	4gl	5+gl
Wigan	10	13	1	0	0
Crewe	7	9	2	1	1
Cardiff	11	4	1	3	0
Bristol City	6	7	4	1	0
Oldham	11	3	0	2	1
QPR	5	7	2	2	0
Tranmere	11	2	2	1	0
Blackpool	7	5	3	0	0
Luton	11	2	2	0	0
Plymouth	7	4	1	0	1
Brentford	9	2	0	0	1
Swindon	6	4	2	0	1
Wycombe	4	4	2	0	1
Chesterfield	9	1	0	1	1
Mansfield	6	2	0	1	0
Stockport	5	3	1	1	0
Barnsley	8	2	0	0	0
Colchester	7	2	1	1	0
Peterborough	5	2	1	0	0
Huddersfield	6	2	1	0	0
Notts County	5	1	1	0	0
Port Vale	7	1	1	0	0
Northampton	4	1	3	0	0
Cheltenham	3	3	0	0	0

Scorers' Points Gained & Scoring Run

Club	Gls	Gl/gm	Pts	Run	1stG
Robert Earnshaw	25	0.74	18	3	7
Sam Parkin	19	0.61	17	6	5
Luke Beckett	23	0.66	14	4	7
Rob Hulse	20	0.67	14	4	7
John Murphy	14	0.47	13	2	6
Mark Stallard	18	0.53	11	3	5
Simon Haworth	15	0.50	11	8	5
Martin Smith	12	0.43	11	1	4
Ilyseden Christie	18	0.62	10	5	2
Steven Howard	14	0.47	10	4	7
Bruce Dyer	12	0.38	10	3	3
Andy Liddell	15	0.52	9	2	7
Rowan Vine	10	0.31	9	1	3

eg if player scores the goal in a 1-0 win, the goal is worth 2 pts as score would have been 0-0, or if 2 goals in 2-1 win, goals worth 3 pts. Also shown is goals per game figure and number of games player scored 1st goal

Fouls and Offsides per game

avg. fouls per game		avg. offsides per game	
Luton	14.51	Luton	5.43
Tranmere	14.31	Barnsley	4.43
Brentford	13.79	Tranmere	4.14
Wycombe	13.71	Peterborough	4.06
Oldham	13.60	Wycombe	3.63
QPR	13.57	Crewe	3.49
Notts County	13.54	Cheltenham	3.47
Swindon	13.41	Oldham	3.43
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**Season tickets for
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***The club have frozen
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Supporters can claim a discount if they purchase their season ticket on or before May 3 2003, and letters will be sent out to season ticket holders by mid-late March with full details, once again including the option to pay by instalments.

Supporters under the age of 10 can watch the Cobblers for around £2 a game!

The club has reduced season ticket prices for under 16s in family areas. These new reduced price season tickets will replace the old tandem and tricycle tickets. So, under 10s can watch the Cobblers throughout the 2003/2004 season for just £50 in the West Stand Family areas - that's just over £2 per league game!

Unreserved seating - you decide!

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Is my seat reserved for me?

Current season ticket holders have until April 25th to claim their seats - please contact the Box Office on 01604 588338 if you wish to keep your seat reserved for longer.

Can I pay via instalments?

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What are next season's individual matchday prices?

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Under 10s	£50.00	£50.00
EAST STAND		
Adult	£273.00	£315.00
Concession	£147.00	£168.00
Under 10s	£75.00	£84.00
NORTH STAND		
Adult	£252.00	£294.00
Concession	£178.50	£199.50
Under 10s	£50.00	£50.00
WHEELCHAIR & CARER	£110.00	£110.00
	£110.00	£110.00

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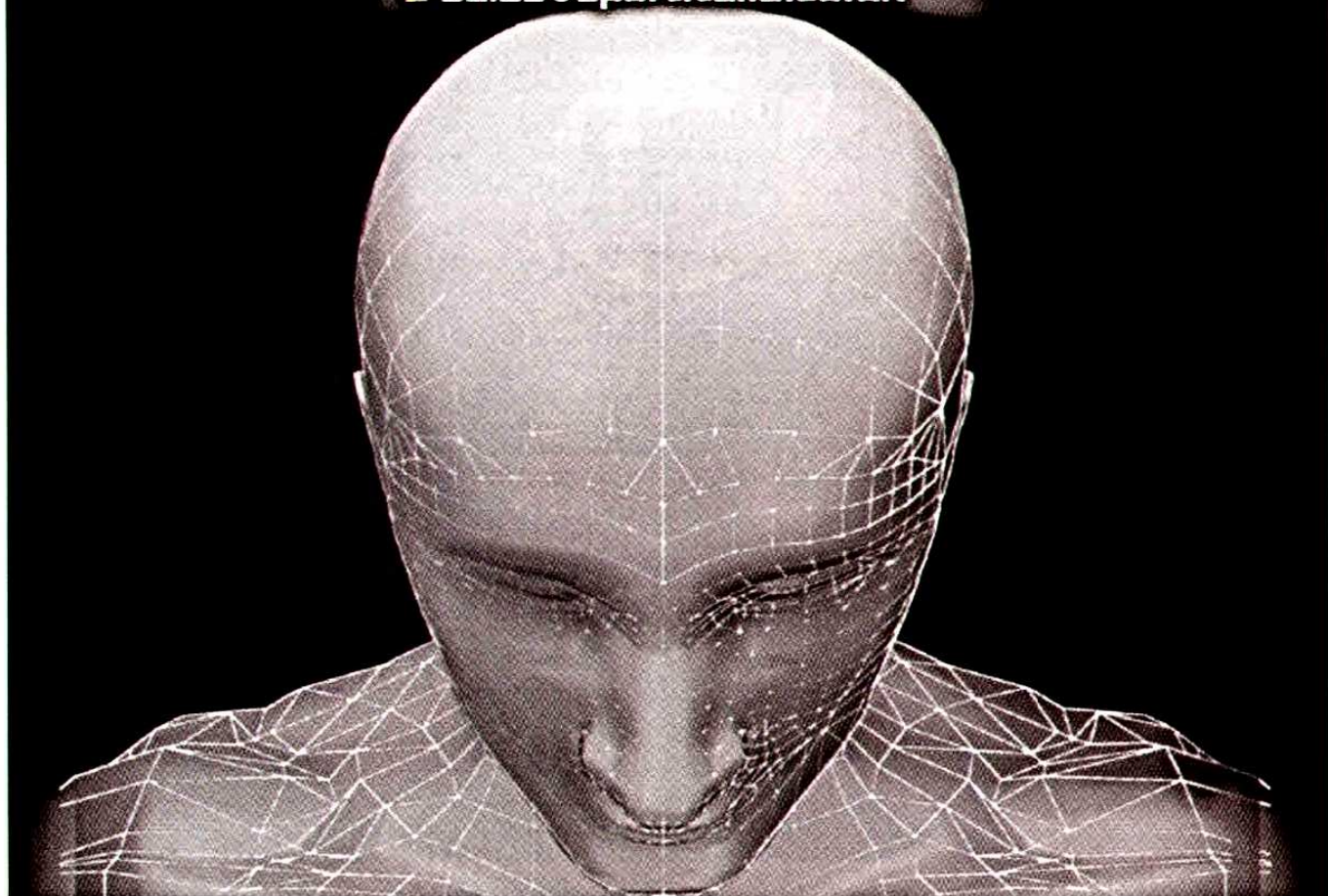
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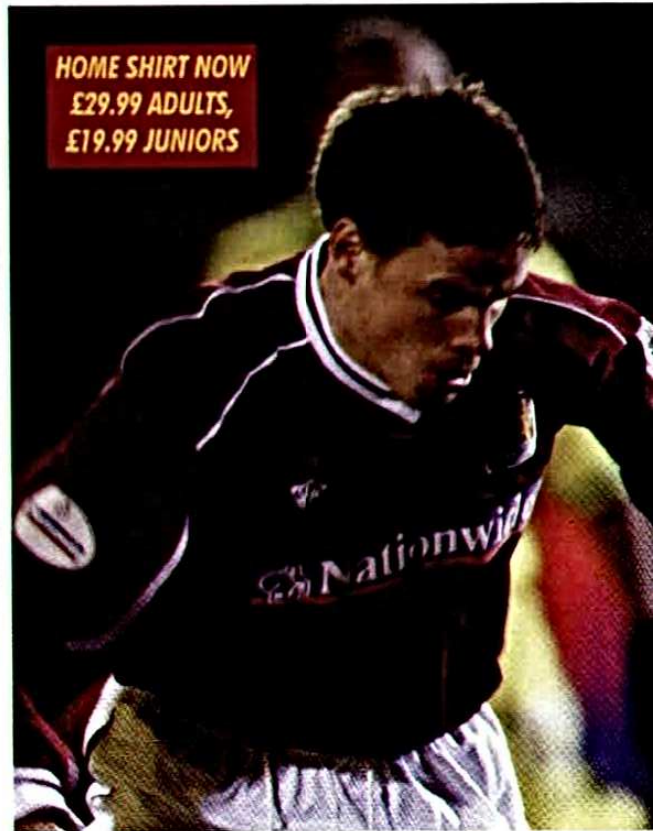
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