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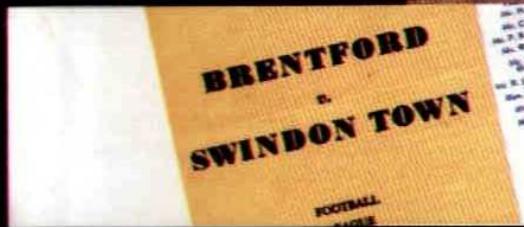
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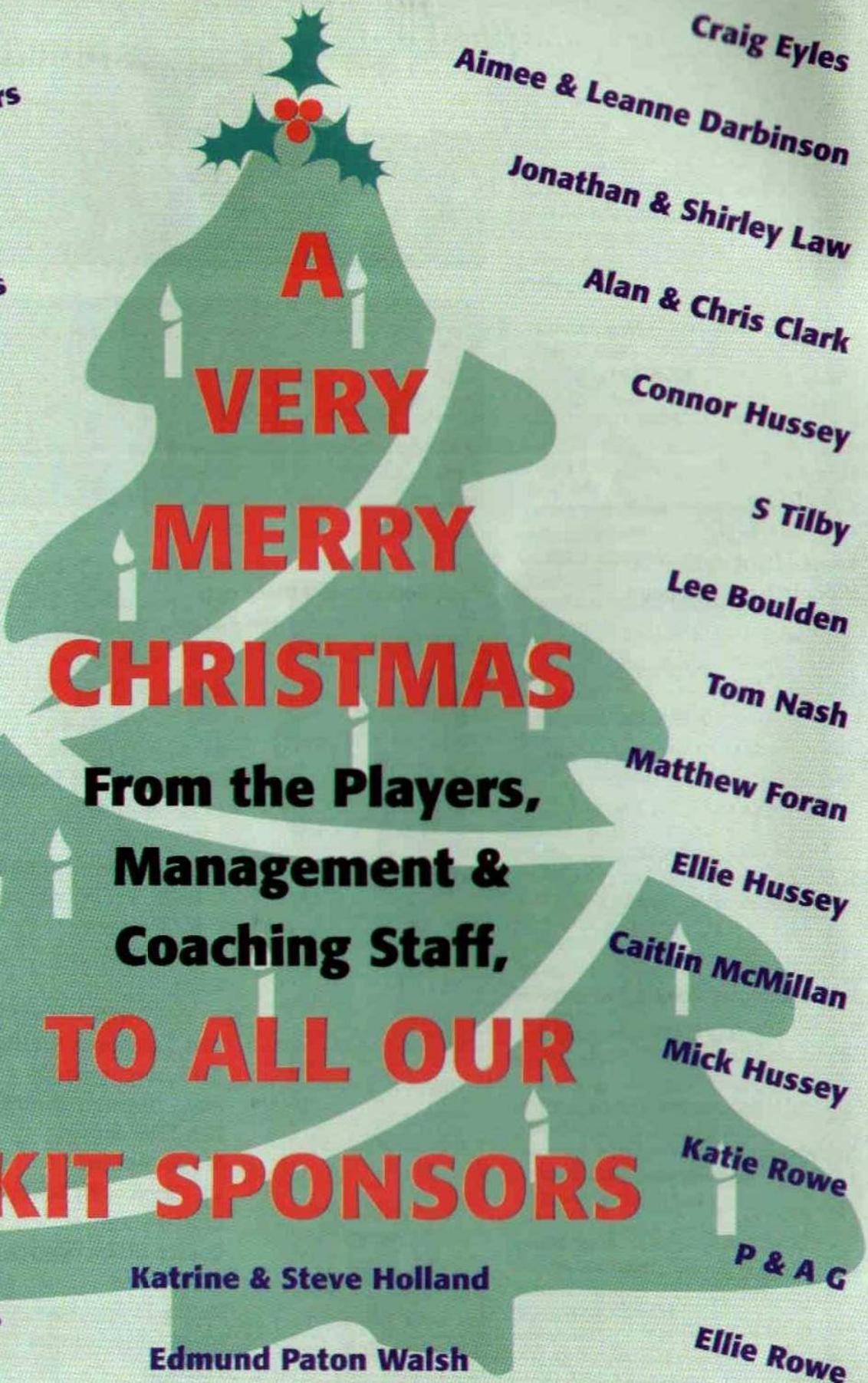
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<Wally's Welcome>

First and foremost a welcome to the supporters, Directors, players and manager of Swindon Town, Andy King.

It seems a long time since we've been here and our travels have not been kind to us. We've been knocked out of the Cup and only brought back one point.

The first game took us to Bournemouth where I felt we put up a fair display in what was a good game to watch. We had two goals disallowed in the first half and then conceded what was a very scrappy goal. So no return for some good work.

Then we went to Telford and found ourselves as the victims of a so called giant killing against a club who boasted 18 new players in the summer, some of whom are on salaries we could only dream about. Decisions didn't go our way but having said that our performance got what it deserved from the game...nothing. Good luck to Telford who made the most of the luck that was going.

After a set back like this it's important that the players show strength of character and a resilience that will see them through what they hope will be a long career. I said at the time that there are no positives to be taken out of this but if they can come through as stronger individuals

and we learn from it as a team it can be an easier pill to swallow.

Players look for guidance at a time like this and I felt it important to show strong leadership in the week leading up to the Stockport game. Changes had to be made and I had to make sure that I was equipped to make those decisions. It isn't easy telling players that you are leaving them out but as I've said before any decisions that are made, are made with the best wishes of the team and the Club. This is difficult for the personalities at the time, but the team must come first.

The entire squad responded well during the week and this culminated in a resolute performance, which saw the three points snatched from us in the last five minutes. But it has certainly set us up for a virile performance today I saw Andy's team at the start of the season and they were playing really well but like a lot of clubs in this division, if they haven't got their strongest side out then you cannot guarantee grinding out consistent results. Having said that they will provide a good test for us for like ourselves they are in such a position that should they string a few results together they could be catapulted up the table. Today also marks the start of the Christmas programme of matches



which sees us, like others, play three games in eight days and one look at the League table will show you the difference nine points could make. But we've got to make sure that we are the ones who make today's result the foundation of a good Christmas. We may be looking back on a disappointing run of results but it's what's you take out of it that can be the catalyst for better times ahead. Let's make sure that the improvement in results starts today.

Finally a Happy Christmas to you all. Have your fill but save enough energy to get down here on Boxing Day.

Wal

<Christmas Cheer>

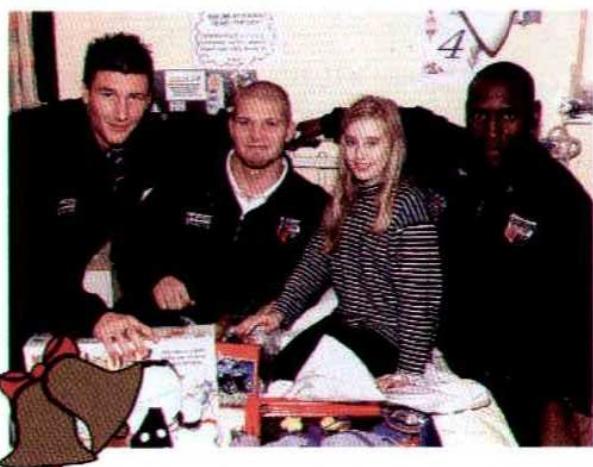
The Brentford squad were out in force on Wednesday afternoon, bringing some Christmas cheer to children who are spending time in the Starlight Children's Ward at West Middlesex Hospital, while shoppers at the Treaty Centre in Hounslow also had the chance to rub shoulders with the players.

With Alan Julian and Eddie Hutchinson helping out at The TW8 Store in the heart of Hounslow, the remainder of



the squad were passing out presents, which they themselves had bought, to those less fortunate than others in hospital.

The players, having already pledged their support for The Chronicle's "Toys for Tots" campaign, took it upon themselves to make the journey to Isleworth after training, and were themselves rewarded with the reception they received from children and staff alike.

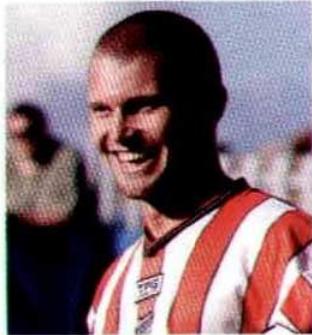


<Dobbo's Diary>

It's been a while since we last played at home, and back from three trips on the road. Last week we went to Stockport County and got a point. The gaffer changed things around for this one. I think he wanted us to be more solid than we were at Telford. To come away with a point and be as solid as we were, I think he was happy with that.

We played in a 5-4-1 formation, but what Wally wanted us to do was have the two wide midfielders to push on when we got the ball as wingers, and then Matt Somner and I go as wing-backs, and for us to defend as a five or a four. It meant a lot of running for the wide men without necessarily touching the ball. We stopped them getting the ball wide, and knowing that they liked to do that, Stockport didn't have much else. They didn't know how to break us down – we did our homework on them.

In the first of our away trips we faced AFC Bournemouth. In the first fifteen minutes we struggled to cope with the big front man Fletcher. He is one of their threats. They like to get the ball into



him, and try to get the knock-downs. Once we got to grips with him, it was an even game. We had a couple of goals disallowed and some good chances. From where I was, I couldn't see if they were offside or not, but it was debatable. We could have come away from that game with three points but made a mistake and it cost us. I was told it was a good game to watch from the stands, and to be fair there was nice football played by both sides but at the same time quite scrappy. It was a pity we lost it, because it was a winnable game.

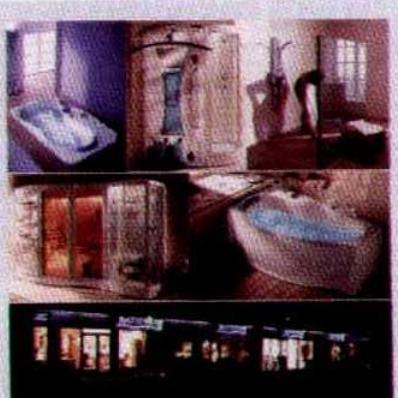
On to our Cup match with Telford, I won't take it away from them; they worked really hard and put us in the position where we made errors. Unfortunately, we didn't do the same to them.

We had chances and did not put them away, and everything seemed to fall for them. Obviously we can say things about what the referee may have missed but we were just as disappointed as the fans were. It was hard to swallow a defeat like that but we had to pick our heads up and go again.

We're coming to the half-way mark in the season, and I think apart from our bad run at the start of the season, we're pretty pleased with what's happened. We're bobbling in the middle of the table – a couple of points here and there and we can shoot up the table. The performances have not been that great but we've got the results when we needed them. We're in a position where we can attack, and move up the League. There's a lot of football to come and players will suit certain formations – we're due for another change today, which I won't give away before we play!

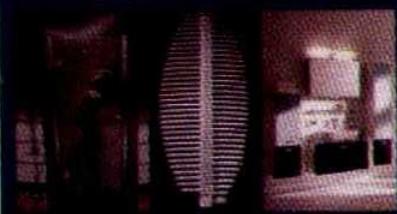
Finally, on behalf of the players, can I wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

MICHAEL DOBSON



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United's team: MacKenzie, Wilkinson, Whitehead, Challis, Clarke, Hulbert, Simpson (Murphy 85), Blackwood, Ricketts, Mills (Grant 85), Moore (Naylor 89).

Subs not used: Williams & Lavery.

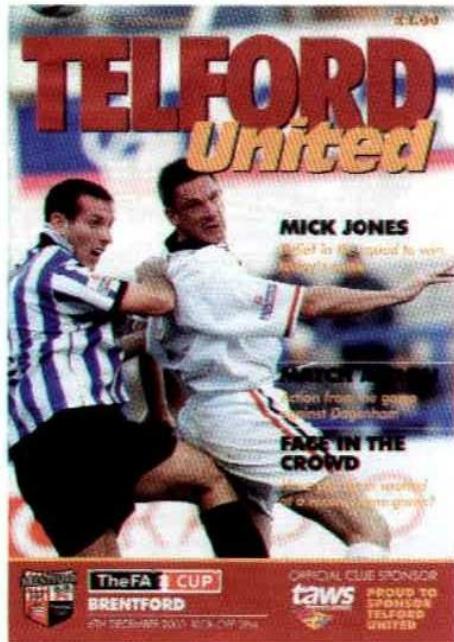
Scorers: Moore 26, 58, 80 pen.

Bees team: P Smith, Dobson, Kitamirike, Sonko, Somner, Rougier (Hughes 70), O'Connor, J Smith (Evans 64), Hunt, Tabb, May (Peters 67).

Subs not used: Julian & Fieldwick.

Referee: A Kaye

Attendance: 2,996



STOCKPORT COUNTY 1 BEES 1

County's team: Colgan, Hardiker, Challinor, Heath, Jackman, Lambert, Goodwin, Welsh, Gibb (Morrison 75), Wilbraham, Lynch (Barlow 75).

Subs not used: Spencer, Clare & Lescott.

Scorers: Barlow 82.

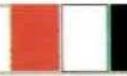
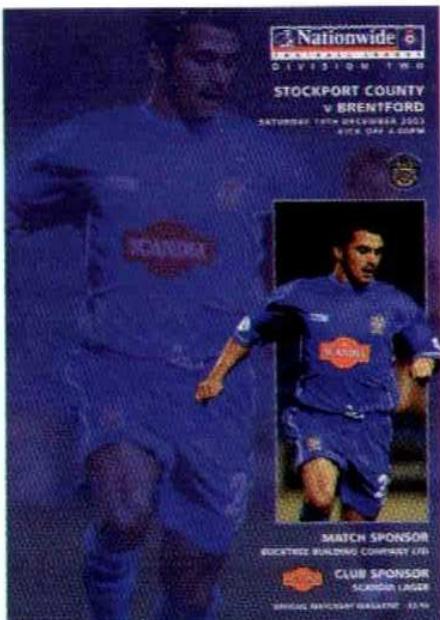
Bees team: P Smith, Dobson, Kitamirike, Roget, Sonko, Somner, O'Connor, Evans, Tabb, Hunt, Wright (May 90).

Subs not used: Julian, Hughes, J Smith & Peters.

Scorer: Jackman 66 og.

Referee: A Leake.

Attendance: 4,081.



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<Around the Hive>

First and foremost may we take this opportunity to wish everyone of you a very Happy Christmas in the hope that you all receive what you wish for yourself.

We are pleased to welcome the massed carollers of the United Churches of Brentford here again this afternoon together with The Campers Club Band of the London City Mission. Together they will be singing and performing carols both before the game and again at half time. Should you wish to join in, the words can be found on page 17 of today's TWB.

Since our last home programme, some four weeks ago, we have bade farewell to Jide Olugbodi, and in doing so we thank him for his service. We also said "au revoir" to Tommy Wright who went off to play for England Under 20s in the World Youth Championships. He has since returned and is now completing his third month's loan which unfortunately comes to an end at the end of the year.

Congratulations are in order for Paul Smith who today makes his 100th (98 + 2 sub), appearance for the Club. Also belated Birthday greetings to



Paul as he celebrated his 24th Birthday last Wednesday.

Please note that the coach for the game at Plymouth Argyle next Sunday, departs at 8.30am from the Layton Road car park. Costs are £18 for Members, £20 for Non Members with a further £2 discount for juniors and senior citizens. Reservations may be made in the Away Travel Office under the Braemar Road Stand this afternoon.

Our thanks to anyone who has brought presents along this afternoon. They may be deposited in the Away Travel Office and will be distributed to West Middlesex Hospital before Christmas.

We welcome five Mascots this afternoon...Owen Brooks, Josh and Jade Standing, Christopher Goodden and Catherine Stratton.

Owen who is seven years old, lives locally and attends St Pauls C of E School. He enjoys all sports and lists three favourite Bees; Paul Smith, Alan Julian & Jay Tabb. Josh 12 and his sister Jade who will be 9 on Tuesday, live in Sunbury...Josh attends Rosary RC School and Jade goes to Sunbury Manor. Both of them have been watching the Bees since they were two years old thanks to their dad John who is a Bees fanatic and a great sponsor of the

Club! Jade's favourite player is Paul Smith and Josh's Tony Rougier. Christopher is no stranger to being a Mascot, having worn that mantle more than anyone else. He too is a regular here at Griffin Park and his favourite player is Paul Smith. Catherine, who is 50 years young, is here as a Mascot today courtesy of a gift from Emma, Andrew and Sarah. Catherine would like to thank her friends and family for their support today.



Many Happy Returns go to Henry Ohl, father of the prolific programme article contributor David, who celebrates his 80th Birthday on Christmas Eve. Henry will be on his usual place on the Brook Road Terrace this afternoon.

Also Happy Christmas to 10 year old Connor Millard who will be here today with his dad James. Connor is a die-hard Bees fan even though he lives close to Elland Road.

PLEASE NOTE

The Club would like to add to the article on the following page (pp12), that following a positive identification of three of the so called Brentford supporters involved in the incidents referred to by the Metropolitan Police, these three individuals will now be banned from Griffin Park indefinitely. Brentford Football Club prides itself on its 'Family Club' image and reputation. The incidents that we witnessed at

Telford were a disgrace and brought shame on our Football Club.

We will continue to work with the Metropolitan Police to identify the other culprits involved and eradicate these people from Griffin Park. A successful prosecution will hopefully then lead to a total ban from all stadia within the UK.

If you have any further information please contact PC Ken White.



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Sunday 21st December

11am to 5pm

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BRENTFORD CLUB CALL

<We're Sorry to Report...>

"We reproduce below a copy of a letter we have received from PC Ken White, our football liaison officer at Chiswick Police Station. His observations are confirmed by letters we have received from our own supporters regarding the crowd trouble at Telford.

Losing to a non-league club in the FA Cup is always embarrassing for a Second Division side, but to witness the events following Telford's second goal, even acknowledging there was provocation, only heightened the discomfort.

Brentford FC is proud of the favourable comments it receives from visiting supporters, and we do not believe we have a hooligan problem at the Club, but there have been a few incidents this season which are causing the alarm bells to ring!

The board of directors want to make it quite clear that bad behaviour will not be tolerated, and the Club will have no hesitation in taking appropriate action against offenders. This is a warning, please take it seriously."

Dear Sirs

As you are aware I have been policing football matches at Griffin Park for the past 15 seasons, the last six as Hounslow Borough's Football Liaison Officer at the club. I should also add that both my son (season ticket holder) and myself are Brentford supporters.

When ever I have been contacted by other forces in relation to Brentford supporters attending their respective stadiums, it has always given me pleasure in stating that Brentford are a family club and there is no likelihood that Brentford fans attending these grounds will create any problems either for the home club or the local police force.

On Saturday 6th December I was off duty in the company of my son and a retired police officer at the Telford v Brentford FA Cup Match.

Along with the majority of the 650 Brentford supporters that attended the match I witnessed the unbelievable behaviour of about six (allegedly Brentford supporters !!) mindless idiots who ran onto the pitch after Telford scored their 2nd goal and confronted a group of morons in the main stand.

If this wasn't bad enough, what followed was totally unacceptable. I'm referring to the totally unjustified and cowardly attack on stewards

(including one who was on the ground) on our terrace which resulted in me intervening to prevent any further breach of the peace occurring.

I await the CCTV coverage of the events with relish, & even if that is not forthcoming I am eagerly anticipating engaging conversation with Brentford's bravest at the earliest opportunity.

Brentford F.C, Hounslow and West Mercia Police are in discussion regarding taking action against the culprits involved. Club bans, arrests and Banning Orders are being considered.

If anyone wishes to contact me to discuss this matter further (not the policing operation) my office number is **020 8247 6482** or e-mail **ken.white@met.police.co.uk**

I do not condone the action of the Telford supporters in the main stand and this is the subject of a complaint made to the club but this does not justify the reaction by so called Brentford supporters and I wonder if it had been Brentford scoring a second goal if these actions would still have occurred. You can call me cynical but I somehow doubt it.

Yours faithfully

PC Ken White

<Bees United>

FUNDRAISING UPDATE:

WALK TO WYCOMBE III

The fundraising initiatives continue to grow week by week. The final tally from this season's "Walk To Wycombe" should be known imminently, with much of the sponsorship income expected today. Twenty eight Bees fans endured the hike last month and everyone (I hope) is fully recovered by now!

BIKE RIDE TO BRIGHTON

This event has been confirmed for Tuesday, March 3rd, 2004. Times, routes and other arrangements were discussed at a meeting before today's match and will be announced very shortly. Interest has been high and an invitation has been sent to Brighton's supporters groups to see if they want to get involved in this 60-mile journey.

It is hoped that this event will have even more of a community focus, with sponsorship split between BEES UNITED and selected charities. It is also hoped that other groups will participate in what promises to be another epic trip! If anyone would like to take part – either riding or taking on the role of a marshall – please get in touch. Further information will be released via the usual outlets on a regular basis.

"PACK THE PARK"

An idea which follows the "Bring a Mate" initiative and has been pencilled in for Saturday, January 31st v Port Vale. Rod Gowers is spearheading this project – please see forthcoming TW8s for full details.

"BEE GREEN"

The recycling bins – located outside the Club Shop on the Braemar Road forecourt and on the Brook Road concourse – are proving popular. Over £200 was netted from the first batch, with more cartridges and toners currently on route to the depot. Our thanks are due to Russell Owen and Peter Guntrip for their

BEES UNITED

The Brentford Supporters' Trust

assistance with this initiative. Please keep bringing all your used toners and cartridges to Griffin Park.

STRIPES EVENTS

In recent weeks BEES UNITED have organised a Table Top Sale and a Christmas Quiz. These events netted the Trust around £800 and our gratitude is due to Katrina Holland and Rod Gowers for their efforts.

Please check out the Stripes Events page on page 14 in today's TW8 for the full up-to-date list of regular top quality gigs held at Stripes Bar. It is fair to say that attendances at the music nights are variable but I can honestly say we have yet to host a poor band, household name or otherwise, and we try and cater for all tastes. There is an amazing amount of untapped musical talent out there – if you have yet to attend a gig give it a try! In addition to the great music at Stripes the turnover of the bar itself has improved significantly this season – which again assists the Club.

"BAD DAY" and SPORTS AUCTION

Bad Day (BEES AID DAY) is planned for March 19, culminating in a major sports auction at Stripes Bar. Alan Fowler will be releasing details of these events in the Boxing Day programme.

THORNE IN THE SIDE FOOTBALL QUIZ

Nick and Rich Hester are arranging another of their popular "Football Quiz Night" fundraisers. To book your team please call: 0771 200 8317.

PROMOTIONAL DISTRIBUTION

If anyone can assist with distribution of promotional posters or gigs flyers please get in touch. We can arrange to deliver these to you or they can be collected on match days at Stripes.

BEES UNITED INVESTMENT CLUB / WEBSITE

This venture was launched in November by Joe Bourke. Please contact Joe for further information or check out the BEES UNITED website for full details. Courtesy of David Hawes, there is also a new facility on the BU website which raises money for the Trust on a commission basis via all sorts of different avenues. Check out www.beesunited.org.uk for more information.

FUNDRAISING MEETINGS

Monthly fundraising meetings are held at Griffin Park, where updates on existing projects are provided and various new ideas discussed. These meetings are open to all: please call Peter Gilham at the Club for further details, or visit the Information Point on match days.

THANKS

On behalf of BEES UNITED I would like to thank everyone who is contributing to all these fundraising initiatives; whether it is through participation or sponsorship it is greatly appreciated. BIAS, in particular, deserve a special mention for organising the bucket collections (sometimes in pouring rain) which raised over £28k last season.

Standing orders (currently £7,024 per month) and fundraising activities presently raise approximately £10,000 a month in total.

Have a great Christmas and let's hope 2004 sees further progress in our initial objective: to keep Brentford FC alive and kicking.

PETE JOHNSTON

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MUSIC NIGHTS AT STRIPES BAR, BRENTFORD FC

Doors 7.45pm: Music 8.30-11pm

COMING UP IN STRIPES

TONIGHT

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Monday January 5th

WEST LONDON RHYTHYM KINGS

Sublime Traditional Jazz with this
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Friday January 9th

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Thursday January 15th

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Friday January 16th

PEOPLE

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The Brentford Supporters' Trust

Friday January 23rd

VIC GODDARD + THE SUBWAY SECT

Superb sounds from this legendary
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Saturday January 24th

BAD DADS

Post-match gig in aid of the Dreamflight
charity (www.dreamflight.org).
FREE ENTRY (Music 1730- 1930)

Friday January 30th

MELISSA JO HEATHCOTE + THE SUPPER CLUB

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excellent musicians!

Saturday January 31st

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WELCOME

First of all we extend a warm welcome to members and their guests of the Brentford Lifeline Society who are this afternoon's Match Sponsors.

Welcome also to Ralph Collins and his guests from Dagenham Motors, Barry Bissett, Terry Covacie, John Standing and their respective guests, all of who are enjoying hospitality in the Sponsors Lounge.

It's also appropriate to welcome a new member of staff to the Club's commercial department. Denise Jefferies, Brentford's Business Development Executive, is working her very first match day today. Go easy on her if you get to meet her!

Denise is the person to contact for all match sponsorship, hospitality, advertising and events enquiries and can be contacted on 020 8847 2511.

SPONSOR FOR A DAY – A UNIQUE CHRISTMAS PRESENT
Although time is running out to buy Christmas presents we have the right gift for the person who has everything. It's something special for the Bristol City game on Boxing Day.

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- Acknowledgements over the PA system
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The price of this exclusive package, only available for the Bristol City game on Boxing Day, is £24.99 per person excluding match ticket (for existing season ticket holders) or £39.99 per person to include a match ticket.

Anyone wishing to place a booking must reserve places by 5pm on Monday. Call 020 8847 2511 for further information.

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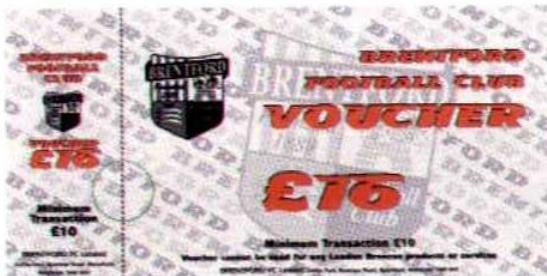
Hospitality is available for our first home game of the New Year, against Tranmere Rovers, on Saturday, January 10th.

The package includes a match ticket, three-course lunch in the Sponsors Lounge, tea or coffee at half time, match programme, team sheet and private bar facilities at £49.99 including VAT per person.

Ian Davies

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

- The Club is introducing a book of vouchers (10 vouchers per book with a face value of £16 per voucher). They are going on sale for £150 (£10 saving on the face value) and can be spent anywhere at Griffin Park (for retail items, tickets, in Stripes etc). Minimum spend per voucher is £10 and any change will be given in cash. They'll be available from the Club Shop and via the Club Offices
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 Where a mother laid her baby in her manger for his bed
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 He came down to earth from Heaven who is God and Lord of all
 And His shelter was a stable, and His cradle was a stall
 With the poor and mean and lowly, lived on earth our Saviour holy.

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light
 The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.
 O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth
 And praises sing to God the King and peace to men on earth
 For Christ is born of Mary and gathered all around
 While mortals sleep, the Angels keep their watch of wondering love.

HARK THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King
 Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled
 Joyful all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies
 With the angelic host proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem
 Hark the herald angels sing, glory to the newborn King.
 Christ by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord
 Late in time behold Him come offspring of a Virgin's womb

Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail the Incarnate Deity.
 Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Jesus our Emmanuel.
 Hark the herald angels sing, glory to the newborn King.

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant
 O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
 Come and behold Him, born the King of Angels...
 O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him
 O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.
 God of God, Light of Light
 Lo He abhors not the Virgin's womb
 Very God, begotten, not created...

AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed
 The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
 The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay
 The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes
 But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
 I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
 And stay by my side until morning is nigh.
 Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay
 Close by me for ever and love me, I pray
 Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care
 And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.

JINGLE BELLS

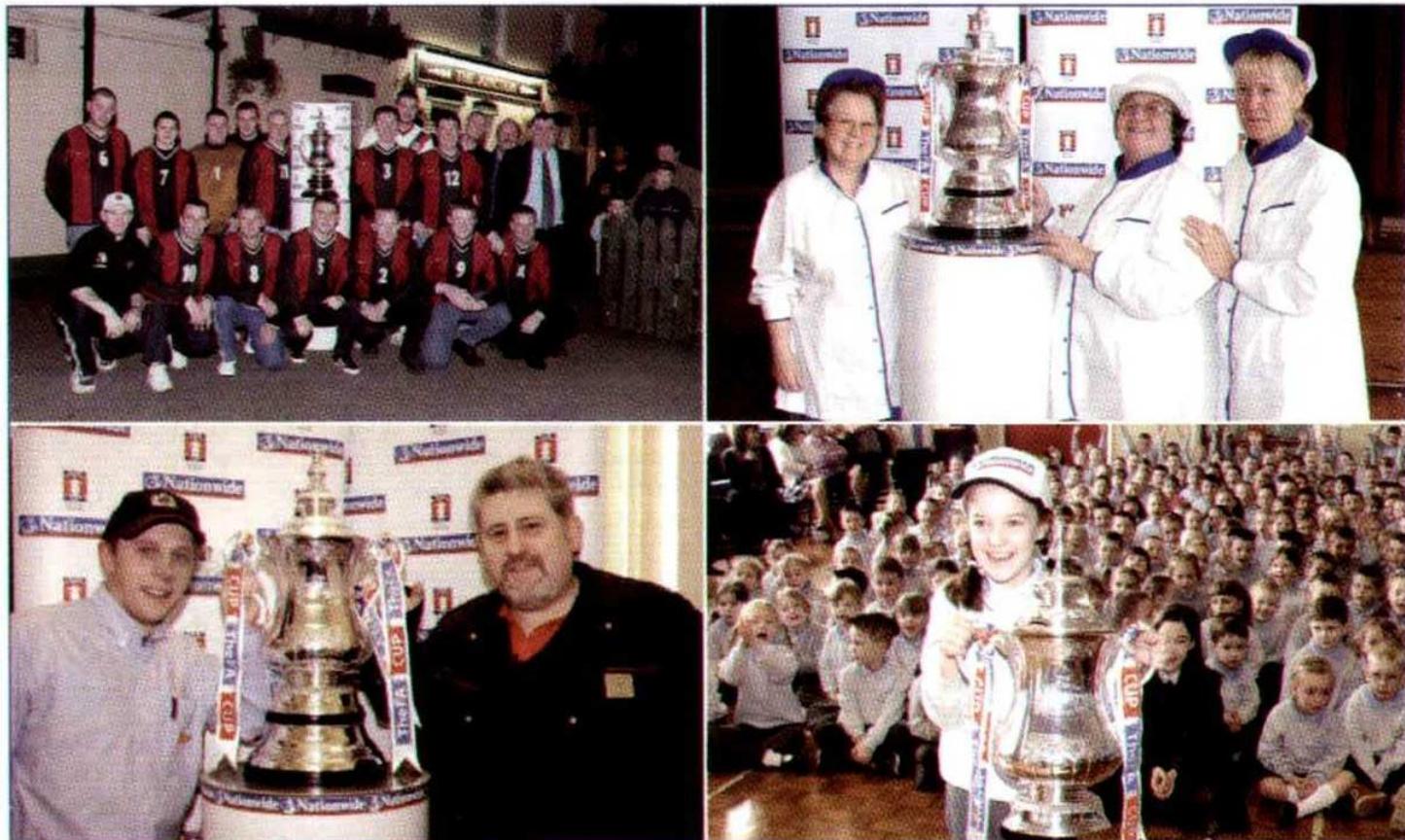
Dashing through the snow,
 In a one horse open sleigh
 O'er the hills we go,
 Laughing all the way.
 Bells on bobtail ring
 Making spirits bright.
 Oh What fun it is to sing
 A sleighing song tonight.
 Chorus:
 Jingle bells, jingle bells,
 Jingle all the way!
 Oh what fun it is to ride
 In a one horse open sleigh!



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CHRISTMAS MESSAGES!

A very warm welcome to following groups who are attending today's match using the Community Free Ticket Offer:

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- Hillingdon Saints FC
- Hanworth Villa FC
- Stanley Junior School
- Acton Sports FC
- Roundwood Club
- Our Lady of the Visitation School
- Hanwell Town FC
- Manorcroft Junior FC
- Horsenden Lane North Primary School
- Foxes FC
- West Drayton Boys FC
- British Midland UB

Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year to everyone associated with New Windsor Kingfishers. Both Kingfisher teams have shown excellent form during 2003 and are well placed in their leagues going into the New Year.



Happy Christmas to all the members of the Swallows Group. Good luck in 2004 and keep enjoying your football.



*Football in the Community Manager
Assistant Community Manager
Office Manager/ Girls & Womens Dev. Officer
Community Groups Officer*

Merry Christmas to all the players and supporters of Foxes Football Club. Have a good one from Ann and the rest of the management.



Best Christmas wishes to 40 representatives from the CIP Playteam who attended the last home game against Grimsby. They are in partnership with Hounslow Children's Fund and Ivybridge Residence Association. The group included children from Ivybridge 505 Play Club and a group of children with hearing loss. Well done for braving the wet conditions to take part in a photo on the pitch during half time.

Welcome to West Drayton Boys U13's FC who are attending today's game. They have had a very fine season and are currently riding high in first place in the Slough Combination League. We wish them well for 2004. The team is run by Paul Linney, Pete Robbins and Mark Trim and they are taking part in a photo on the pitch at half time. The squad is: Ben Robins, Matthew Linney, Dean Norton, Tom Leach, Shaun Hayes, Adam Linney, Charlie Harris, Carl Trim, Michael Hurt, Chris Doherty, Jamie Maltman, Chris Allen, Mitchell Brown, Jamie De'ath, Bhupinder Khatkar. Enjoy the day lads!

OUT & ABOUT WITH BUZZ

Buzz Bee has been out and about in Hounslow leading up to Christmas attending Christmas Parties at Green Dragon Primary School and Feltham Bees Sports Club.



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BRENTFORD CLUBCALL

<The Finance Picture>

"The last few weeks have seen the publication of the accounts and the annual general meetings of both Bees United and Brentford FC Limited. The following article summarises the financial position of both organisations."

BEES UNITED FINANCES

At the recent Bees United AGM, the audited accounts for the year to 31 May 2003 were presented and approved. They showed a total income for the year of £145,000, of which £65,000 came directly from members' subscriptions and contributions, £52,000 being from standing order donations. The rest of the income was made up of donations and fund raising including £29,000 from bucket collections, £21,000 from general donations and £9,000 from the walk to Wycombe. After expenses of £17,000 the society had a surplus for the year of £128,000. Cash in hand was £102,000, including £80,000 in the loan note fund. During the year the society had increased its loan to Brentford FC by £100,000, bringing the total loan at 31 May to £125,000. The additional loan was made when Bees United nominees Stephen Callen and Andrew Wainwright joined John McGlashan on the Brentford FC board. Subsequently John and Stephen were appointed executive directors by the Brentford board, whilst Bees United were granted an option to buy Brentford FC for £1, subject to their being able to relieve the current owners of the guarantees they had put in place securing £4 million of the club's £4.5 million overdraft facility. The option runs until May 2005.

In the meantime, since no increase in the overdraft facility is possible, Bees United needs to fund any shortfall incurred by the football club. The Club's budget for 2002/03 assumes a loss of £190,000: this is considered in more detail below.

Timing differences on certain receipts mean the total funding requirement is

£340,000, of which £240,000 will need to be met by Bees United. So far this season the society has advanced the Club an additional £155,000, including £80,000 from the loan note fund. Currently therefore total loans from Bees United to Brentford FC total £280,000, of which £80,000 is a secured loan and £200,000 unsecured, meaning that in the event of administration Bees United would be the largest unsecured creditor, thereby ensuring a large degree of influence over the appointment and actions of any administrator.

In the short-term, therefore, the survival of the Club depends on the ability of Bees United to maintain its level of fund raising. Standing order contributions are particularly welcome, as they provide an element of stability to the projected income available.

In the longer-term, the Club needs a modern stadium which can generate greater revenues than can be earned at Griffin Park. Once a new site has been secured and approved, either at Lionel Road or elsewhere, it will be possible to put in place alternative funding which will enable the Club to remain at Griffin Park until the new ground is ready for occupation.

BRENTFORD FC FINANCES

The accounts for Brentford FC for the year to 31 May have recently been published. A summary of the profit and loss account, and of the budget for 2003/04, is as follows:

Turnover includes all classes of income, and budgeted turnover for 2003/04 is broadly comprised of £1m gate receipts (including season tickets) based on average League gates of 5,500; £0.5m in receipts from the Football League; and £1m in other income - this includes sponsorship income, advertising income, London Broncos, catering income, programme sales, shop sales, Lifeline donations, telephone mast rental and other sundry commercial income.

The budget assumes the Club is knocked out in the first round of all cup competitions: this is the main reason for the decrease in projected income from 2002/03 (when the Club reached the 4th round of the FA Cup) and 2001/02 (when the Club reached the play-off finals, and was also in receipt of significant amounts from the ill-fated ITV digital deal).

Direct expenses include the salaries of players and coaching staff, training and medical expenses, match-day expenses, and ground maintenance costs. The large reduction in these costs over the last three years largely arises from the decrease in the players salaries budget as the Club, along with most other Football League clubs, has sought to bring its costs in line with income.

Administrative costs include salaries of administrative and commercial staff, sales and marketing expenses, and general

	2003/04 budget £'000	2002/03 audited £'000	2001/02 audited £'000
Turnover	2529	2916	3265
Direct expenses	1776	2480	3149
Gross profit	753	436	116
Administrative expenses	711	859	1178
Operating profit / -loss	42	-423	-1062
Net profit on transfers	0	499	137
Net interest payable	-232	-253	-252
Net loss	-190	-177	-1177

overhead costs, such as telephone, printing and stationery, and legal and professional fees. Again, there has been a significant reduction in these costs over the last three years.

Transfer fees receivable for 2002/03 were from the transfer of Darren Powell to Crystal Palace and the performance related fees from the previous years transfer of Gavin Mahon to Watford, which was the principal element of the 2001/02 profit. No transfer fees are budgeted for 2003/04, although to date we have paid £2,500 to Newmarket for

Alec Rhodes, the first transfer fee paid by the Club for over three years.

Interest is payable on the bank overdraft, and throughout this season we anticipate operating at close to our overdraft limit of £4.5m. Interest is payable at approximately 1.8% over base rate, which is currently 3.75%, giving us an effective rate of 5.55%. Every quarter percentage increase in base rate will increase our annual interest cost by roughly £11,000.

Overall we have to date operated broadly in line with budget, and the latest

projections indicate a loss for the year of slightly less than the £190,000 budgeted. Such projections are reviewed monthly following completion of the management accounts. Of even greater concern is cashflow: income and expenditure does not arise evenly over the year, but is subject to troughs and peaks. Cashflow is monitored on a daily basis, and the ability of Bees United to match its loans to the troughs is vital for the survival of the Club.

Stephen Callen

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<Second to None>

Notts County secured their League status when they came out of administration before the deadline set for them by the Football League.

County had been in administration for a record 17 months and had been threatened with expulsion from the League if they failed to resolve the position by December 9.

They were finally bought by the Blenheim Consortium and in a statement the administrators Kroll found things tough. Joint administrator Paul Finnity added: "I can confirm that we have met all the conditions set by the Football League for a successful transfer of Notts County's membership in the Football League to the Blenheim Consortium.

"Despite being a long journey, I'm delighted that we have finally completed the deal that secures the future of this club," Football League chairman Sir Brian Mawhinney said.

Meanwhile **Oldham's** potential new owners have vowed to establish the club in the First Division inside five years.

Three US-based businessmen expect their Oldham takeover to be ratified by the Football League on 15 January.

"We need to be getting 7,000-8,000 fans at Boundary Park on a regular basis to achieve our aim," investor Simon Corney told the club's official website. "We believe if we put in the



hard work, we will turn it round."

Turning to on-field matters and the recent biggest transfer in his division has seen **Peterborough** striker Leon McKenzie moving to Norwich for around £325,000. McKenzie was targeted at the time of our LDV clash against Posh, but stayed at London Road –



scoring to take Peterborough through – and is set to make his Norwich debut in the eagerly-awaited clash at Ipswich tomorrow.

"It's a dream come true," said McKenzie. "When a club like Norwich show interest in you and then make a bid it's a dream come true," he said. "I can't wait for the Ipswich game to be honest. It's a massive game for the fans and I know how much it means for them."

Peterborough lost 2-0 at **Wrexham** last Saturday and before the game, the Welshmen's manager Denis Smith was presented with a special award for taking charge of 1,000 League matches. Smith previously managed York, leading them to the Fourth Division championship with a then record number of points, and also rescued Sunderland from the old Third Division and took them into the top flight while he has also been in charge at Bristol City, Oxford and West Brom. Last season he was named Third Division manager of the year for the second time in his career, having



collected it with York in 1984..

"A clean sheet and a win made it an ideal day for me," he said modestly after the game.

Meanwhile the LDV Vans Trophy has now reached the quarter-final stage and there looks almost certain to be a new winner with **Blackpool** the only remaining team to have won the competition in its various guises. There could also be two all-Second Division area finals with one team from our level in each of the four matches.



The draw, with Second Division teams in capitals, is:

NORTHERN SECTION

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY v Scunthorpe

BLACKPOOL v Halifax

SOUTHERN SECTION

Southend v QPR

Northampton v **COLCHESTER**

The ties are to be played in the week beginning January 19.

Finally **Stockport** have signed a partnership agreement with Chinese club Liaoning Tiger Star, giving them a 50 per cent share in their Asian counterparts.

The deal will involve Stockport sending a coach to work with the club, who are likely to change their name to Stockport Tiger Star to help with their bid to reach the Chinese First Division.



Team Line-up

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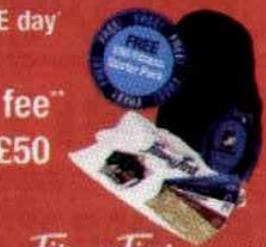
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5	ADI VIVEASH
6	ANDY GURNEY
7	SAMMY IGOE
8	TOMMY MOONEY
9	SAM PARKIN
10	STEFANI MIGLIORANZI
11	DAVID DUKE
12	IAN HERRING
14	JON STEVENSON
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25	STEVE ROBINSON
27	DAVE BAMPTON
28	JEREL IFIL



GOLD & BLACK STRIPES

TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Referee: Mr G Salisbury
 Assistant: Mr G Pryme
 yellow/red halves
 Assistant: Mr S Thiarra
 yellow
 Reserve: Mr G Evetts

Next Home Match

Nationwide League Division Two
BEES v BRISTOL CITY
 Boxing Day 26th December
 Kick Off 12 Noon

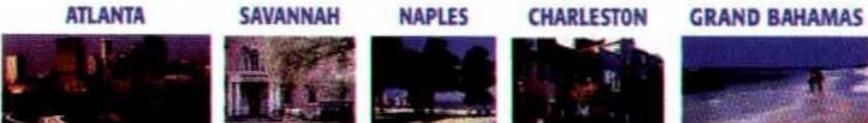
Next Away Match

Nationwide League Division Two
Plymouth Argyle v BEES
 Sunday 28th December
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BRENTFORD CLUB CALL

<Swindon Town>

Swindon have endured an up-and-down season so far which has seen them as high as second in the table but currently finds them in 14th place.

At the end of September they found themselves in the automatic promotion places after winning five and drawing four of their opening 10 League games. However October saw their form dip with four consecutive defeats sandwiched between two draws as they plunged down the table. Things improved a bit with two successive wins at the start of last month but a draw was followed by two more defeats including last week's 3-2 loss at home to Plymouth. The side had showed their character in battling back from 2-0 down to draw level with two goals in the final 10 minutes before Argyle snatched victory in the fourth minute of injury-time.

In all Swindon have won seven League games this season but have only conceded a goal in one of them, while another unusual statistic is that four of their seven League draws have finished 2-2. Like us, Swindon are already out of all three Cup competitions. They fell at the first hurdle in the FA Cup, losing 4-1 at Wycombe, and the LDV Vans Trophy where they suffered a 2-1 defeat at Third Division Boston. Their only Cup victory came in the first round of the Carling Cup with a 3-2 triumph at Third Division Southend but they came mighty

close to pulling off a huge upset in the second round when they led Leeds 2-1 at Elland Road going into injury-time. Then home goalkeeper Paul Robinson came up and scored from a corner to take the game to extra-time. Swindon held their Premiership hosts for the extra 30 minutes, only to lose 4-3 on penalties.

Town's key player this season has been Sam Parkin whose goal last Saturday, his third in four games, gave him 11 for the season. Incidentally the first goal against Argyle was scored by recent signing Rory Fallon, who scored here for Barnsley last month.

This is Swindon's fourth season back in this Division after an eventful time in the 1990s. They began the decade in the old Second Division but earned the right to play in the second season of the Premiership in 1993/94 after beating Leicester 4-3 in the play-off final.

However their top flight season set all the wrong kind of records as they mustered an all-time low of just five wins, an amount matched by Leicester two seasons ago, and conceded 100 goals in their 42 matches – another record.

GHOSTS OF CHRISTMAS PAST

1993 - Ten years ago, Swindon were midway through their only season in the Premiership to date and their Christmas fixture saw Arsenal visit the County Ground. The previous week, Town had earned only their second win in 21 League games by

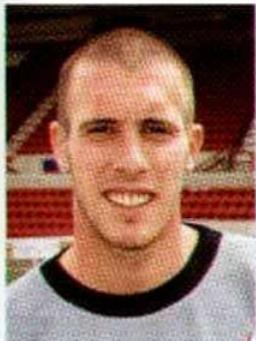
beating Southampton 2-1 so there was optimism that a revival may be possible. But a hat-trick by Kevin Campbell and another goal from Ian Wright saw The Gunners romp to a 4-0 success which left Swindon stranded at the bottom, which was where they finished.

Brentford enjoyed a merry Christmas as we won 3-0 at Bournemouth with a Denny Mundee penalty, a goal from Lee Harvey and a comical own goal from Cherries keeper Vince Bartram. The home side also missed two penalties. The win took us up to seventh but a disastrous second half of the season saw us finish 16th.

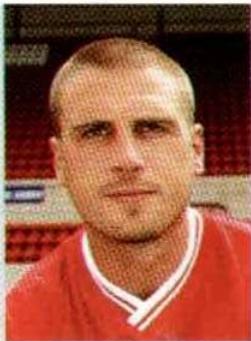
1988 - Swindon were in the old Second Division 15 years ago and a second half goal from Jimmy Quinn earned them a 1-0 Boxing Day win at Reading to leave them 12th in the table – which was their final position.

We beat Aldershot 3-0 here on the same day with goals from Keith Millen, Andy Sinton and Paul Birch on his first full start and had Graham Rix making his debut on loan from Arsenal. The victory left us seventh but a poor end to the campaign left us 12th.

1978 - Town were members of the old Third Division 25 years ago today and were involved in a thrilling game at local rivals Oxford on Boxing Day. They trailed 3-0 at half-time but two goals from future Brentford captain Chris Kamara and another from Chris Guthrie completed a remarkable comeback.



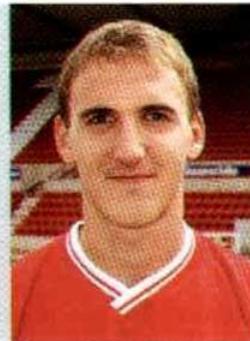
Rhys Evans



Andy Gurney



Sam Parkin



Andrew Nicholas



Andrew Nicholas

and earned a point. Yet again they finished in their Boxing Day position which this time was 10th.

We had Andy McCulloch sent off in a 1-0 Fourth Division defeat at Aldershot but it did not derail our promotion bandwagon and we went up in fourth place at the end of the season.

LAST TIME

Swindon's visit on August Bank Holiday Monday last year provided one of the high points of our season as we beat them 3-1 to go top of the table.

Rowan Vine put us 2-0 up inside 14 minutes with his first goals at Griffin Park and Mark McCammon made sure of the victory 12 minutes from time. Swindon's goal came in the 17th minute from on loan

Manchester United winger Jimmy Davis, who was so tragically killed in a car crash at the start of this season while on loan at Watford.

The defeat dropped Swindon down five places in the table to 10th.

THE MANAGER

Andy King is in his second spell in

charge of Swindon, having replaced Roy Evans in December 2001. King worked as a coach at the County Ground while Colin Todd was in charge and took over from him as manager when he left the club in October 2000 and was at the helm until August 2001. He had started his managerial career with a three-year spell at Mansfield.

He enjoyed a playing career as a striker at Luton (two spells), Everton (two spells), QPR, West Brom, SC Cambuur, Wolves and Aldershot.

THE PLAYERS

(Squad numbers in brackets)

Rhys Evans (20) (ex-Bristol R, Chelsea, QPR, Leyton Orient) was in goal last Saturday with former Dutch international **Bart Griemink (1)** on the bench.

The back four consisted of **Matthew Hewlett (4)** (ex-Bristol City), **Andy Gurney (6)** (ex-Bristol Rovers, Torquay and Reading), **Matthew Heywood (19)** (ex-Burnley) and ex-trainee **David Duke (11)** with **Alan Reeves (22)** (ex-Norwich, Chester, Rochdale and Wimbledon), twin brother of striker David, and ex-

trainee **Andrew Nicholas (15)** probable substitutes.

Other defenders include **Adrian Viveash (5)** (ex-Walsall and Reading), in his second Swindon spell, and **Ben Martin (21)** (ex-Aylesbury and Lincoln), **Sammy Igoe (7)** (ex-Portsmouth and Reading) returned from injury to play in midfield seven days ago along with Brazilian **Stefani Miglioranzi (10)** (ex-Portsmouth), **Steve Robinson (25)** (ex-Birmingham and Peterborough), who was sent off, and **Jerel Ifil (28)** (ex-Watford) with homegrown **Brian Howard (17)** on the bench.

Grant Smith (2) (ex-Reading, Hearts, Livingston, Clydebank and Sheffield United), ex-trainees **Ian Herring (12)** and **Brian Howard (17)** are also available.

Up front **Sam Parkin (9)** (ex-Chelsea) was partnered by **Tommy Mooney (8)** (ex-Aston Villa, Scarborough, Southend, Watford and Birmingham) with recent signing **Rory Fallon (16)** (ex-Barnsley) among the substitutes.

Jonathon Stevenson (14) (ex-Leicester) completes the squad.



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<The Christmas Scene>

WORLD

Twenty teams came from the continents of Europe, Asia, North & South America, Africa and Australasia to contest the Rugby Union World Cup in Australia. No less than four out of four of the countries in the tiny lands of the United Kingdom and Ireland reached the quarterfinals. A fantastic achievement.

Congratulations to England, captained by Martin Johnson, on winning the gold William Webb Ellis trophy.



PRESENTS

Have you bought all of your Christmas presents yet? There are some nice items available at our fellow Nationwide League clubs. Norwich City sell a Delia Smith tea towel, Crewe have crested oven gloves available and Ipswich are flogging a "wipe clean finish" rug. Millwall have on offer a ladies garter and Luton Town a temporary tattoo. In the Barclaycard Premiership you can buy Tottenham sticking plasters or Blackburn swimming armbands. I wonder if there is a Wally Downes face mask in our TW8 Store?

SNOWMAN

I hope this winter is not too severe. There is a story that, during the Bishop Auckland versus Shildon match in a Northern League game, many years ago, the goalkeeper,

Harry Sharratt was booked for building a snowman on his penalty spot while his team were scoring goals up the other end. Some say that great support from the crowd, especially at Brentford, is like having a twelfth man, but Harry built his own!

BALLS

The players' weekly subscriptions must be high at Devon Sunday side Appledore, as every time they kick the ball over into the garden next to their pitch the owner refuses to give it back. They cannot sue him either as he has promised to give them back at the end of the season. The neighbour says that they should shoot on target! Don't mention Leo Roget's penalty miss at Barnet to him.

INSURANCE

A survey has revealed that professional sports people like footballers pay the highest insurance premium on their motorcars, followed by celebrities and bookmakers. I think that the fact that the top players are young and tend to drive expensive and very fast cars may have something to do with it.

NUDES

Which Nationwide League club has the anagram "Hot Nudes" in its name? I'll give you a clue. They play in Essex, are on the coast, play in blue and white and until recently were managed by our former boss, David Webb.

RUGBY

Did you realise that in 1889, if the vote at the Oxford and Cambridge Public House in Kew Bridge had gone the wrong way, Brentford would have become a rugby union club ourselves

instead of a soccer club. Fortunately for all of us, the votes went eight to five in favour of association football.

AWAY

If you are travelling to an away game over Christmas and the New Year period, I do hope you find a pleasant place to eat on your travels. A Londoner named Richard Pelley has travelled 2,250 miles to eat at 50 cafes to find the best fry up. In doing so he has eaten 102 bacon rashers, 84 sausages, 78 fried eggs and 39 portions of baked beans. I bet he has put on a bit of weight though.

ANTHEM

England have been recently drawn against Croatia, France and Switzerland in the European Championships in Portugal next summer. Thank goodness Greece did not make it as their super national anthem is the longest in the world with a 158 verse song. The United Kingdom and Liechtenstein share the same tune for their anthem, as do Estonia and Finland. The oldest is Japan's which dates back to the ninth century and the shortest at 32 seconds, with no lyrics, is that of Qatar.

HOGMANAY

It will soon be the fantastic and joyous Hogmanay celebrations in Scotland but did you realise that between 1954 and 1959, Brentford played numerous friendly matches against Scottish clubs including an amazing 2-0 victory over Glasgow Celtic in 1958, two months before I was born on the Christmas Eve of that fine year.

DAVID OHL



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<Non League Scene>

FA CUP

Congratulations to any "non-league" side who made it through to the 3rd round.

Enough said.

The FA CUP

FA VASE UPDATE

There were four Middlesex sides who went into action in the second round, **Southall Town** and **Harefield United** eventually made it through, but **Bedfont** and **Edgware** both missed out. AFC Wimbledon also made it through.

The 3rd round was played last weekend and this is where the story ended for our two remaining Middlesex sides. On Saturday, **Harefield** travelled the relatively short distance to Chertsey where they were beaten 1-0 in the 82nd minute.

Southall Town, played fellow Hellenic league side North Leigh at Yeading on Sunday but were unable to repeat their recent 3-2 league victory, this time losing 2-0.

AFC Wimbledon's game at BAT Sports was postponed and is due to be played today.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Santa Claus (or Father Christmas)

Made a number of appearances for the Bees reserve side between 1895 and 1957. Always wore his own special kit and magic boots. Now turns out for the "National Elf" Lapland third division side Sleigh bell Wanderers.



FA TROPHY 2nd ROUND 29th November

Seems like a long time ago now that the last round of the Trophy competition took place. Three of our sides did make it through to fight on in the next round in 2004 and all three have received home draws.

The winners were **Hayes**, who had an impressive 3-1 win at Halesowen, despite going a goal down, **Staines** who won 2-1 at Burgess Hill and 1985 winners **Wealdstone** who beat Hitchin at home.

Ashford Town and **Yeading** both earned 3-3 draws in their first matches and both lost their replays 3-1. Scott Partridge and Paul Buckle were both on target for Weymouth who beat Ashford. **Hendon** also lost to Kettering in a replay, this time the game went the distance, Kettering winning on penalties.

Both **Harrow Borough** and **Kingstonian** lost at the first attempt.

Third Round - 10th January

Wealdstone v Thurrock

Hayes v Arseley

Staines v Bath City.

COUNTY NEWS

National League Systems Cup

Don't know the result of the 2nd round tie between the Middlesex League and the Combined Counties but we must have won as we now face the Essex Intermediate League (away) in the quarterfinals.

Go Middlesex go!!!

Remember the winners of this competition will gain a European Place.

(if any one can tell me the result of the Middlesex League/Combined Counties League I would be grateful).

Merry Christmas
to all Bees fans
from Marley H

<Brentford Through The Alphabet>

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CHRISTMAS

Once upon a time Christmas Day featured large in the game's calendar, attracting crowds that generally were well in excess of the average.

This was the case for many years, but by the mid 1950's gates had levelled off and following the 1958 holiday fixtures a vote was taken to discontinue back to back games. This left Boxing Day in isolation to fulfil peoples' need to get out into the fresh air and blow away the cobwebs.

The last Christmas morning fixture at Griffin Park was, by coincidence, against today's visitors Swindon Town when in front of 12,500 the Bees took an early two-goal lead through George McLeod and George Francis before they were pegged back to 2 - 2. The following day Santa's sleigh shifted to the County ground and another stalemate, this time 1 - 1 (Francis) with 12,692 spectators in attendance.

Fast forward 25 years and Christmas Day fell on a Sunday. With no football league fixtures planned for the previous day, Brentford toyed with the idea of bringing forward the game against Wimbledon scheduled for Boxing Day. It led to the Club's much respected programme Editor, the late Eric White, almost cooking his

goose when he wrote: "It will bring back the old idea of men going to football whilst the ladies stay at home to cook the turkey". Although Eric always maintained he was miss-quoted his comments found their way into "The Book of Football Quotations".

In the event the match took place on Christmas Eve, the day's only Football League fixture and attracted a crowd of 6,689, way above what Griffin Park had been experiencing.

Brentford's first Christmas Day home game after joining the League in 1920 was against arch rivals QPR. A crowd of 16,379, almost double the season's average, saw the visitors win 2 - 0. A full house of 25,000 watched the return at Loftus Road on Boxing Day, Rangers again taking the spoils with a 1-0 success.

ATTENDANCES

On the subject of attendances the top of the table clash against Fulham on Christmas Day 1931 attracted a new high of 26,741 and, moving on, the all time record for a single afternoon was set on Boxing Day 1949 when 1,269,934 crowded the 44 league grounds that staged a fixture. Brentford were beaten 2-0 at Hull in front of 48,587. It beat the previous best of twenty-four hours earlier when 42 grounds heaved under the weight of 1,226,098. Griffin Park contributed 33,836 for a 2-0 victory against the same opposition.

All things considered the 300 mile round trip to Boothferry Park and vice-versa was hardly good planning but was just a leisurely hop, skip and a jump compared to the distances involved in the Second Division Championship season in 1934-35.

Three days before Christmas the Bees beat Sheffield United 2-1 at fog shrouded Bramall Lane. Next it was back to Griffin Park for a Christmas morning encounter against Plymouth, who became the first side since April 1933 to prevent the Bees from finding the net at home. The teams then travelled overnight to Devon for the return (1-1). And a 1,000 mile trip by rail was completed with a journey to Norfolk to take on Norwich on the 29th. Here, a 2-1 defeat for the travel weary Bees temporarily cost them the leadership of the Division.

The "Plymouth" leg of the tour was a repeat of 1912 when a 2-2 draw at Griffin Park was followed by a game at Home Park twenty four hours later. It proved a wasted journey as the referee called a halt soon after the break as the pitch was saturated by heavy rain.

These are not the only occasions the West Country is worthy of a mention. In 1956 Brentford were paired with Torquay United, who at the time were running neck and neck with Southampton and Newport County for the Third Division (South) Championship. The contest at home on Christmas morning ended nil - nil, the Bees line up including Syd Russell making his home debut just four months after signing from West Middlesex Sunday League side Jolly X. Following the game Brentford players and officials had dinner in nearby hotel before being whisked off to catch the Waterloo to Exeter Express. An overnight stay in the City preceded a leisurely drive down the coast to Plainmoor. Torquay meanwhile had an horrendous journey home as their coach became bogged down in snowdrifts on Salisbury Plain and it was gone 5 a.m. before they climbed into bed.

Recovery was swift as in the afternoon they saw off the Bees challenge with a comfortable 2-0 victory. The Brentford



Christmas Day 1936





Christmas Day 1931

party dashed straight from the ground at the final whistle to connect at Newton Abbott with a train to Paddington. They eventually arrived back in London late in the evening and an hour behind schedule having gulped down a meal of sorts en route.

This, of course, was in the days before the motorway network and even a journey from London to the North East, for example, entailed an overnight rip.

This leads me nicely to an away game at Hartlepool in 1966 which resulted in a hardy band of Brentford supporters earning a front row seat in the Club's folklore.

Leaving London on Christmas afternoon they travelled north and slept overnight in their cars and vans before completing the journey to Victoria Park. The Bees team greeted them with an ovation as they

took the field and it seemed the fans stoicism would be rewarded when at the change round Brentford led 2-0. It was not to be as the home team came back to draw 2-2.

A mad rush back to West London met more disappointment as the Bees lost the return twenty four hours later 2-1.

GOALS GALORE

A number of clubs have sustained either a record defeat or victory over the festive period, notably Fulham, 10-1 victors against Ipswich in 1963 and Oldham who walloped Southport 11-0 twelve months earlier.

Brentford got in on the act on Christmas Day 1930 by recording a then club record League victory by stuffing Crystal Palace 8-2. There was barely two minutes on the clock when Foster skinned the full back and crossed for Jack Lane to volley past the keeper. Palace restored parity from the spot but their celebrations were short lived as straight from the restart Bill Lane fed Foster and following some deft footwork which tied his marker in knots it was drinks all round as he crossed for Berry to head home. Foster was again the provider as Bill Lane got off the mark and by the interval it was 5-1 through further goals from Jack Lane and Bill Berry.

Brennan, a former Brentford player, lifted Palace's hopes with a scorcher soon after the break but with the defence failing to get to grips with tormentor in chief Foster the Bees remained in control and the two Lanes completed their hat tricks to make the final score 8-2.

The win was all the more meritous as skipper Reg Davies was a passenger for much of the second half after twisting an ankle.

It is not recorded if Brentford went out afterwards on the razzle to celebrate but certainly something was amiss as twenty four hours later the Bees were crushed 5-1 at Selhurst Park.

GRAHAM HAYNES



Boxing Day 1987



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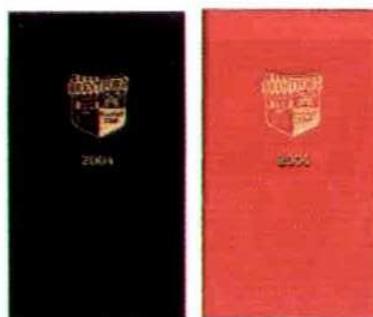


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BEES 1
GRIMSBY TOWN 3

Bees team: P Smith, Dobson, Kitamirike, Sonko, Somner, Rougier (Hughes 70), O'Connor, Hutchinson (J Smith 74), Hunt (Harrold 86), Tabb, May.

Subs not used: Julian & Rhodes.
Scorer: Hunt 10 pen.

Mariners team: Davison, McDermott (Groves 79), Barnard, Anderson (Cas 77), Crane, Crowe, Hamilton, Campbell, Boulding, Onuora, Edwards.

Subs not used: Mansaram, Jevons & Young.

Scorers: Onuora 45, Boulding 84, 88

Referee: P Taylor.

Attendance: 4,685



AFC BOURNEMOUTH 1 BEES 0

Cherries team: Moss, Purches, Broadhurst (Maher 79), C Fletcher, Cummings, Elliott (Buxton 85), Stock (Tindall 90), Browning, O'Connor, Feeney, S Fletcher.

Subs not used: Stewart & Hayter.

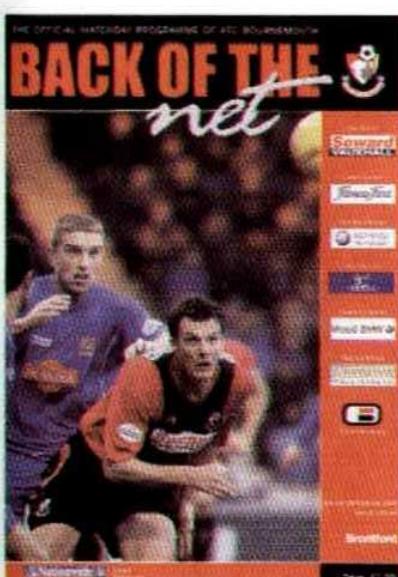
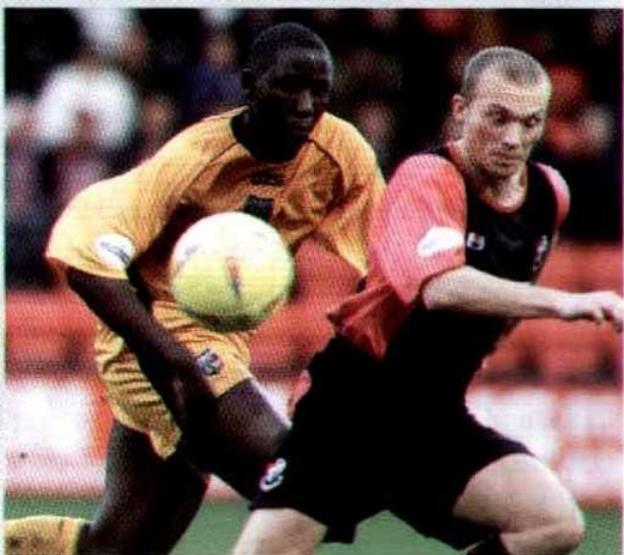
Scorer: Elliott 63

Bees team: P Smith, Dobson, Kitamirike, Sonko, Somner (Evans 90), Rougier (Hughes 71), O'Connor, J Smith, Hunt, Tabb, May (Peters 73).

Subs not used: Julian & Fieldwick

Referee: P Armstrong.

Attendance: 6,674



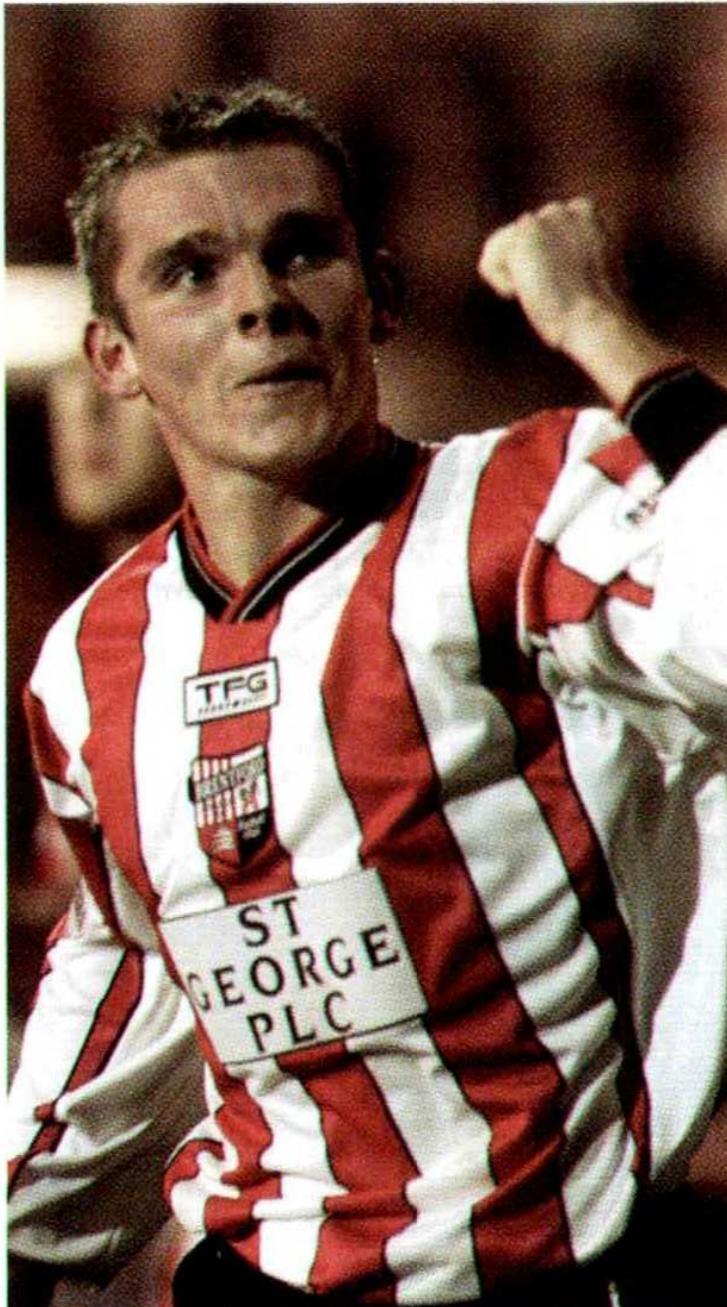
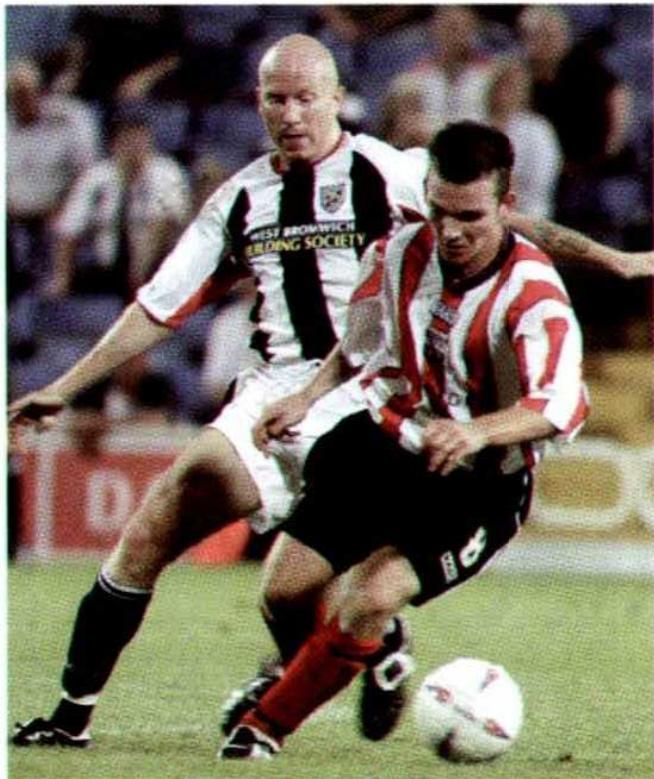
BRENTFORD CLUBCALL

<Up Close And Personal With...>

JAY TABB – UP CLOSE...

SQUAD NO 8 b. 21.2.84 Previous Club: Youth

LEAGUE			FA CUP			LEAGUE CUP			OTHERS			TOTAL		
App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls	App	Sub	Gls
10	16	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	2	1	2	15	18	6



Jay is another player who is a product of the Bees Youth set up. In the all too infrequent appearances he has made for the Bees he has shown himself to be a player of tremendous ability. However he has now forced his way into the reckoning on a regular basis, and grabbed the headlines when scoring his first five goals for the Club in the space of eight days in October.

...AND PERSONAL

When did you first play football

When I was 8 at Little League

Who has been the biggest influence on your career so far

My dad and Geoff Taylor

What other sports do you enjoy

Rugby & Golf

What non sporting interests do you have

I've got a Playstation and I play that quite a lot, also music

Which teams results do you first look for

Crystal Palace to see if they've lost!

Which player do you most like to watch

Edgar Davids and Gazza when he used to play

Who is your tip for the Premiership this season

Chelsea

Your most memorable match, and why

My debut against Luton at home – unbelievable

What car do you drive

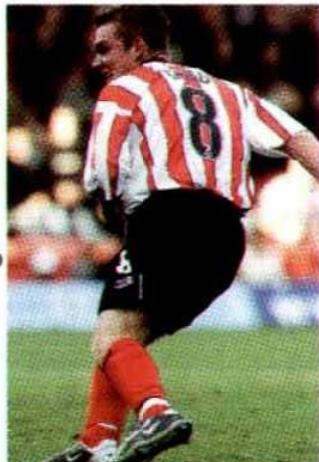
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What is your favourite film

Saving Private Ryan

Which is your favourite TV programme

Only Fools and Horses



Where would you most like to go on holiday

Mauritius

Who would you most like to be stranded on a desert island with

Eliza Dushko (from the film "Bring It On")

Who has the best sense of humour at the Club

Evo is hilarious

Who is the Club's worst dresser

There isn't anyone that bad...but Hunty (he put me down)

What is your favourite food

Curry

If you sung karaoke, what song would you choose

I can't sing but I'd sing "Brown Eyed Girl"

Can you predict the scores of this weekends other Second Division games

Bristol City	3	Stockport County	0
Grimsby Town	0	Wrexham	0
Hartlepool United	3	Colchester United	1
Luton Town	2	Barnsley	1
Oldham Athletic	2	QPR	0
Peterborough United	1	Rushden & Diamonds	1
Plymouth Argyle	4	Notts County	1
Port Vale	1	Blackpool	2
Sheffield Wednesday	3	Chesterfield	0
Tranmere Rovers	1	Brighton & Hove Albion	0
Wycombe Wanderers	2	AFC Bournemouth	2

PLAYERS LEAGUE TABLE

PLAYER	Matches	Correct Result@ 2pts	Correct Match Score@ 5 pts	Correct Team Scores @ 1 pt	Points
Eddie Hutchinson	11	7	3	9	38
Jay Smith	10	2	2	8	22
Ben May	11	4	1	8	21
Stephen Hunt	10	3	1	7	18
Kevin O'Connor	10	3	1	5	16
Paul Smith	11	2	1	6	15
Matt Somner	10	4	0	6	14
Joel Kitamiriike	10	4	0	5	13
Ibu Sonko	11	3	0	5	11
Michael Dobson	10	3	0	3	9

BRENTFORD CLUB CALL

<Chat Room>

BRENTFORD LIFELINE SOCIETY

The Lifeline Society would like to send their Christmas message to all supporters of Brentford Football Club wishing them a Happy Christmas with the best of health for 2004.

To Wally Downes, his staff and players, we congratulate them on their 100% efforts in the year 203/4 and hope they will be rewarded with the success that they deserve in the remainder of the season.

In wishing our members seasonal greetings, we would remind them that already this year they have been able to contribute £50,000 to the Club for the refurbishment of three rooms, including Stripes.

The object of this is to enable the Club to improve the facilities for hiring these rooms for suitable public functions.

In addition we have been able to sponsor a number of matches, support the Sportsman's Dinner and USA Holiday, whilst providing special matchday packages for many of the members.

Your continued support can only make this possible and it is hoped that it will continue. For this we can only give you our most sincere thanks.

To those non-members we have to point out that our 900-1,000 membership means that we have no more than approximately 600 families supporting our cause. Is it not possible to double or even treble that number of us and visualise the improvement it could make?

We leave you with this thought for 2004 and the future of our Club.

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PACK THE PARK

Bees fan Rod Gowers is behind an initiative entitled "Pack The Park". You may have seen it mentioned on page 13 of today's TW8.

The basic premise behind this is to encourage ALL Brentford supporters to pledge to bring at least one friend, work colleague or relative to Griffin Park for the match against Port Vale on Saturday 31st January, that person being somebody who doesn't normally attend a match. The idea is to boost the gate and hopefully raise around £30,000 extra income for the Club through gate receipts.

The intention is for supporters to make their

pledge public by way of the official WebSite or via the supporters' Sites, Bees United or the Griffin Park Grapevine. The idea would be very basic, along the lines of "I, Joe Bloggs, pledge to bring Jordan and Madonna (or whoever) to the Port Vale game".

There will also be a provision for personal callers to Griffin Park who don't have access to Internet, to record their pledges.

It is hoped to organise prizes for those who bring the most new supporters to the game.

In the Port Vale Matchday programme there will be a "Role of Honour" in which everybody who is taking part in the "Pack The Park" is listed (both pledgers and pledges). Watch this space!!

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MID TERM REPORT



It's amazing but we have arrived at the season's halfway point already. Soon we will be giving the Centre of Excellence players their mid season assessments. These are designed to give the player feedback on how they have been performing and let them know what areas they need to work on. The coach makes his report and then it is passed to me to add my comments. The player and parents/guardians have the chance to discuss the report with us if they wish. Together with the technical report we issue them with the results of their fitness testing done so far this year and their growth and maturation chart. We use this infor-

mation not just for levels of fitness but to aid us in injury prevention, during a growth spurt for example and if a player gets injured we have recorded levels for the player to get back to before he is considered 'fit'. At the end of the season players are issued with a statement of achievement on their progress for the season along the same lines.

We now have a Christmas break from matches but training continues. The Centre staff, full, part-time, and volunteers, have an in-service day early in January where we review the first half of the season and plan ahead for prospective improvements. These include planning for coach education. This could be as basic as upgrading first aid qualifications to qualifying at the UEFA 'A' licence and beyond that to the Academy Directors qualifications which I am in the middle of now. These in-service days give us the chance to get together for the day



Happy Christmas from All of Us
and all have an input in what and how we want to achieve. Looking back we have made good progress with introducing a new pre-centre training for 7-10 year olds and generally all the groups are working well. My main concern at the moment is the big match coming up. Yes of course I'm talking about the staff v. boy's games just a few days before Christmas.

This just leaves me time to wish all our friends and supporters a Happy Christmas from all of us involved at the Centre of Excellence.

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WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER PONTIN'S HOLIDAYS COMBINATION BEES 3 PETERBOROUGH UNITED 3

The Bees went into this game seeking their first League win of the season but within six minutes they were in arrears when Lee Clarke made the home side pay dearly for a defensive lapse. The goal came against the early run of play with Brentford themselves going close two minutes earlier when an excellent shot on the turn by Matt Harrold required an equally good save to prevent it being the game's first goal. Brentford rolled up their sleeves and worked hard in trying to get back on level terms which they did midway through the

half. Mark Peters stood over the ball at a free kick awarded wide outside the area. But while everybody jostled for position the Bees striker had the presence of mind to notice an opening and duly fired the ball home low inside the near right post. Within the minute the Bees had taken the lead. Matt Harrold seized on a through ball, beat his marker, ran on and slid the ball home wide of the keeper.

Brentford held the lead until the 59th minute when half time sub Dennis Pearce struck the ball past Alan Julian. But the Bees were still carving out enough chances to give hope of the full three points. And with five minutes remaining, Leo Roget's firmly struck header veered it's way high into the top

right hand corner of the net. Muted celebrations were totally snuffed out though with two minutes remaining when Andrew Fotiadis fired home the evening's third equaliser and the honours had been shared for the third time in six League outings for the Bees. On the bright side Brentford's unbeaten run in League and Cup had now been extended to five games.

Line-up: Julian, Allen-Page, Roget, Thomas, Fieldwick, M Peters, J Smith, Evans, Rhodes (McNamara 63), Harrold, Olugbodi (Gauci 73).

Unused subs: Paterson, Wells & Scotchford.

Scorers: M Peters 24, Harrold 25, Roget 85.

THE PONTIN'S HOLIDAYS COMBINATION CENTRAL & EAST DIVISION



Wed 20th Aug	Gillingham	L 1-3
Wed 3rd Sep	SWINDON TOWN (CUP)	L 1-5
Wed 10th Sep	MILLWALL	L 2-4
Wed 24th Sep	Cambridge United	L 2-4
Wed 8th Oct	COLCHESTER UNITED	D 0-0
Wed 15th Oct	READING (CUP)	W 4-1
Wed 5th Nov	Aldershot Town	D 2-2
Wed 12th Nov	Pontin's Holidays Cup Wycombe Wanderers	W 2-1
Wed 26th Nov	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	D 3-3
Wed 14th Jan	SOUTHEND UNITED	H
Wed 21st Jan	Pontin's Holidays Cup Aldershot Town	A
Wed 4th Feb	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H
Wed 18th Feb	Brighton & Hove Albion	A
Wed 25th Feb	Reading	A
Wed 10th Mar	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	H
Wed 24th Mar	Crystal Palace	A
Wed 31st Mar	Pontin's Holidays Cup Semi Final	
Wed 7th Apr	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H
Wed 21st Apr	Norwich City	A
Wed 12th May	Pontin's Holidays Final	

Please note: Admission is once again free to season ticket holders for Combination League.

2003-04 Reserve team appearances and goalscorers (League & Cup):

Appearances (max 9): Hughes 8, Harrold, Peters M & Traynor 6 each, Evans, Fieldwick, Julian & Smith J 5 each, Olugbodi 4+1, Tabb 4, Wells 3+2, Allen-Page, Blackman, Lennie, Roget & Thomas 3 each, McNamara 2+4, Paterson 2+3, Frampton & Rhodes 2 each, Belaid, Gibbs, Hankin, Hillier, Kitamirike, Naisbitt, O'Connor, Scotchford & Somner 1 each, Gauci 0+4, Palmer 0+2, Hutchinson, Lake, May, L Muldowney & R Peters 0+1 each.

Goalscorers (17): Peters M 5, Hughes 4, Harrold & Olugbodi 2 each, Blackman, O'Connor, Roget & Traynor 1 each.



Top scorer – Mark Peters

Pontin's Holidays League Cup Group D

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Swindon Town	3	2	1	0	9	4	5	7
2	BEES	3	2	0	1	7	7	0	6
3	Wycombe Wanderers	4	1	1	2	9	8	1	4
4	Reading	3	1	1	1	7	8	-1	4
5	Aldershot	3	0	1	2	5	10	-5	1

<Youth to the Fore>

Saturday 13th December

Umbro Isotonic South East Conference
BEES 4 Leyton Orient 0

Team: Lennie, Wells, Palmer, Paterson (R Peters), Hillier (Downes), L Muldowney, Morrison, Lake, Gauci, Buckeridge (Antoine), McNamara.

Subs: Whincup & Steele.

Scorers: Gauci, McNamara, Buckeridge & Wells.

Geoff Taylor, The Manager of Youth Football said: "Our first home victory of the season resulted in a 4-0 win against old opponents Leyton Orient. It was a solid display with goals being scored at regular intervals. The one black spot of the morning was young Matt Paterson sustaining a head injury which resulted in an overnight stay in hospital, but happily he was released the following day with a clean bill of health."

The Under 17s were stood up last Saturday when Southend United, having suffered transportation problems, failed to turn up for the fixture at Tolworth!

Our Next Games:

Under 19s

Wycombe Wanderers (A)
10th January 2004

Under 17s

Rushden & Diamonds (A)
10th January 2004

South East Conference Under 19s

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Colchester United	12	7	3	2	21	10	11	24
2	Brighton & Hove Albion	13	6	5	2	16	11	5	23
3	BEES	13	5	3	5	18	16	2	18
4	Gillingham	11	5	2	4	24	15	9	17
5	Portsmouth	12	4	5	3	19	13	6	17
6	Southend United	13	3	4	6	18	33	-15	13
7	Wycombe Wanderers	12	2	5	5	18	25	-7	11
8	Leyton Orient	12	2	3	7	13	24	-11	9

South East Conference Under 17s

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	QPR	17	13	4	0	62	18	44	43
2	Brighton & Hove Albion	17	13	0	4	49	21	28	39
3	Cambridge United	18	11	3	4	41	16	25	36
4	Colchester United	18	8	6	4	40	32	8	30
5	Portsmouth	18	7	5	6	34	32	2	26
6	Southend United	16	7	3	6	37	30	7	24
7	Rushden & Diamonds	17	6	6	5	32	37	-5	24
8	Luton Town	15	7	0	8	36	24	12	21
9	Oxford United	17	6	2	9	27	45	-18	20
10	Gillingham	17	4	5	8	26	44	-18	17
11	BEES	15	4	4	7	24	30	-6	16
12	Wycombe Wanderers	16	3	7	6	26	48	-22	16
13	Leyton Orient	18	2	3	13	26	57	-31	9
14	Northampton Town	17	2	2	13	22	48	-26	8

BRENTFORD CLUB CALL



<Meet the Fans>

JOE NEEDS TIME TO TAKE STOCK OF THE FUTURE

When long-time football fan Joe Bourke originally volunteered to help out the Bees United Supporters' Trust, he reckoned it wouldn't take up too much of his valuable time.

Oh, how wrong he was!

Since those early days, Joe has not only gone on to become a member of the Trust's board - elected by Loan Note Holders - he has also been voted onto the committee of the nationwide Supporters Direct organisation, the Government-back Supporters' Trust initiative.

"Basically, I attended the first crisis meeting that led to Bees United being formed and it became clear that the Club was in serious difficulties and was looking for people to assist," he explains, at ease in his office - which has a perfect window view of the Griffin Park floodlights.

"The initial idea was to pool interests and give supporters some clout. I offered to help with the promise that it wouldn't take too much time - but I became involved, and things just started to grow."

Joe was quickly caught up with the ABeeC campaign to get Luke Kirton elected to Hounslow Council, and things just took off from there. "When you first start, it's an hour or so a week - today it's more like a

whole day. But the Trust has evolved from the original four or five stalwarts to an active organisation with almost 1,500 members. It has grown so much, probably faster than was at first expected."

Now, with those same objectives of using shared ideas for the good of all, Joe has come up with a novel scheme that will add further self-inflicted time-consumption. He is busy trying to organise a new plan in which supporters can group together to form an Investment Club that will hopefully bring in additional money for both Brentford Football Club and themselves. Any profits will be shared equally between members and the Trust.

"Bees United is a community organisation, and is always looking for new ideas for fund raising that involves the Brentford community in activities other than the usual way," he explains. "Investment Clubs have been around for a long time - they tend to be groups of friends, work colleagues or sports clubs - and have already invested over £100-million around the country. This new idea is a means of involving people with a common interest in Brentford Football Club working together to pool resources and knowledge to invest their money."

"The club will be based on members' experiences and common sense, and it will give people a

better understanding of finance, give them a say in how their money is being invested, and give them more control. The principal purpose is for members to work together so they can make joint investments and hopefully make money for themselves and the Trust."

The idea, says Joe, is for members of the club to make regular monthly payments, meet regularly to discuss their shared finances, to pool knowledge, and to generally help them understand stocks and shares. "Ultimately it will be the members who make a case for an investment or a sale, and they will all vote on how the Investment Club is going to use their money," he adds.

"All dealings will be by majority vote, so no previous knowledge of the Stock Exchange is needed. The scheme won't be for everybody - but a lot of people would like to know more about investments, and the club will provide the means for that."

Joe has already had an encouraging dozen or so responses to his initial soundings - and as a Bees United Investment Club would ideally have up to 20 members, if more come in there could be two, three or even more clubs. "But we are testing the water to see how attractive it might be," he adds cautiously.

As an accountant with his own firm, Joe is ideally placed to get an Investment Club scheme up and running.

He is an alert 49-year-old who was actually born in Ireland, although his family moved to Southall when he was just four. He lived in the area through school days and until he got his accountancy qualifications while working with a practise in Acton, and after that he spent 15 years working abroad – including six in Hawaii and three in Japan – before returning to settle in Boston Manor about ten years ago.

Where football is concerned, he admits to supporting West Ham as a boy, but after returning from his overseas work decided that "it didn't have the same feel". So around season 1994/95 he turned, instead, to his local club - Brentford. "I immediately felt very much at home at Griffin Park," he recalls.

His family, too, now seem to like the atmosphere, and Joe's three sons and a daughter are all fans as well - and youngest boy Desmond has, in fact, joined the Club's Youth Development Scheme as a nine-year-old. "He seems to have the touch," says a proud father.

Joe, too, seems to have the right touch. This year he was elected to the board of the national Supporters Direct enterprise, and as well as working for his own Bees United Trust is having an important say in the way other fans are these days being given the chance to run their own clubs.

Supporters Direct has grown out of the Government-funded Football Task Force, and has so far helped fans start up over 100 Supporters' Trusts around the country. "It has had a dramatic effect on football," says Joe. "Locally, Bees United has been one of the more successful Trusts in relation to the influence it has - it has quite a high reputation nationally."

It does, however, mean the hard-working Joe Bourke has to give up yet more of his time. "But I believe it is a very important movement that is having a significant influence," he sums it all up. "Once you become involved you are soon in the thick of things, as I was with Bees United. But I think it is all

worthwhile.

"Here at Brentford, the main focus is on how to stabilise the financial position, and how to move on. When we took over, there were so many problems that we now have to re-trench, tread water to stabilise the Club's outgoings, and think of new schemes to bring in more money.

"That's where we are right now – but it all takes time....."

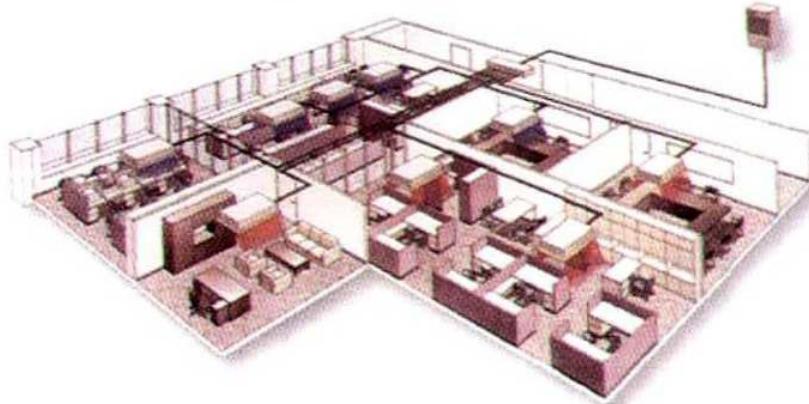
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BRENTFORD

STATISTICS FOR 2003-04

DATE	POSITION	OPENERS	RESULT	CROWD	Key	A	B	C	— Corresponding symbols show player substituted and his replacement. — Red figures denote goal and number of goals scored.												
Sat 9th AUG	22	Tranmere Rovers	1-4	7,307	P. Smith	Dobson	Sonko	Roge	Sommer	Frampton	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	Beadle	O'Connor	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Peters	Hughes	
Tue 12th AUG		WBA-Carling Cup 1st	0-0	10,440	P. Smith	Dobson	Sonko	Sommer	Frampton	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Tabb	Peters	O'Connor	Hunt	Julian	Fieldwick	Blackman	Allen-Page	Hughes	
Sat 16th AUG	23	PETERBOROUGH UTD	0-3	4,463	P. Smith	Dobson	Sonko	Roge	Sommer	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Tabb	Peters	Rouger	O'Connor	Julian	Fieldwick	Blackman	Evans	Hughes	
Sat 23rd AUG	23	Wrexham	0-1	4,048	P. Smith	Dobson	Sonko	Roge	Sommer	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Tabb	Peters	Rouger	Hughes	Julian	Fieldwick	Peters	Traynor	Hughes	
Mon 25th AUG	23	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	2-1	4,073	P. Smith	Dobson	Sonko	Fieldwick	Sommer	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Tabb	Peters	Rouger	Hughes	Julian	Fieldwick	Peters	Traynor	Hughes	
Sat 30th AUG	23	Port Vale	0-1	5,257	Julian	Dobson	Sonko	Roge	Sommer	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Tabb	Peters	Rouger	Hughes	Julian	Fieldwick	Peters	Traynor	Hughes	
Sat 6th SEP	23	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	1-3	5,688	Julian	Dobson	Sonko	Roge	Sommer	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Tabb	Peters	Rouger	Hughes	Julian	Fieldwick	Peters	Traynor	Hughes	
Sat 13th SEP	21	Rushden & Diamonds	1-0	4,396	Julian	Sommer	Sonko	Roge	Sommer	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Tabb	Peters	Rouger	Hughes	Julian	Fieldwick	Peters	Traynor	Hughes	
Tue 16th SEP	18	BLACKPOOL	0-0	3,818	P. Smith	Dobson	Sonko	Roge	Fieldwick	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Stannard	Fieldwick	Hunt	Blackman	Evans	
Sat 20th SEP	18	HARTLEPOOL UTD	2-1	4,501	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Sonko	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Stannard	Fieldwick	Hunt	Blackman	Evans	
Sat 27th SEP	17	Chesterfield	2-1	3,257	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Sonko	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Stannard	Fieldwick	Hunt	Blackman	Evans	
Tue 30th SEP	18	Colchester United	1-1	3,343	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Stannard	Fieldwick	Hunt	Blackman	Evans	
Sat 4th OCT	18	SHIFFIELD WEDNESDAY	0-3	8,681	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Sonko	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Stannard	Fieldwick	Hunt	Blackman	Evans	
Tue 14th Oct		Barnet LDV1	2-2*	1,248	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Frampton	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 18th OCT	18	LUTON TOWN	4-2	5,579	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Tue 21st OCT	17	BRIGHTON & HOVE	4-0	6,552	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 25th OCT	17	Notts County	0-2	4,145	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 1st NOV	15	BARNESLEY	2-1	4,789	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Tue 4th NOV		Peterborough Utd LDV2	2-3	1,821	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 8th NOV	FAC1	GAINSBOROUGH TRINITY FACT1	7-1	3,041	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Tue 11th NOV	15	QPR	0-1	15,865	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 15th NOV	13	Wycombe Wanderers	2-1	6,445	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 22nd NOV	16	GRIMSBY TOWN	1-3	4,685	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 29th NOV	16	AFC Bournemouth	0-1	6,674	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 6th DEC	FAC2	Telford United	0-3	2,996	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 13th DEC	16	Stockport County	1-1	4,081	P. Smith	Dobson	Kitamirike	Roge	Sommer	Rouger	J. Smith	Hutchinson	Hunt	O'Connor	May	Julian	Fieldwick	Tabb	Wells	Evans	
Sat 20th DEC	16	SWINDON TOWN	H																		
Fri 26th DEC	16	BRISTOL CITY	H																		
Sun 28th DEC	16	Plymouth Argyle	A																		
Sat 3rd JAN		Oldham Athletic	A																		
Sat 10th JAN		TRANMERE ROVERS	H																		
Sat 17th JAN		Peterborough United	A																		
Sat 24th JAN		WREXHAM	H																		
Sat 31st JAN		PORT VALE	H																		
Sat 7th FEB		Bristol City	A																		
Sat 14th FEB		QPR	H																		
Sat 21st FEB		Luton Town	A																		
Sat 28th FEB		NOTTS COUNTY	H																		
Tue 2nd MAR		7:45pm	Brighton & Hove	A																	
Sat 6th MAR		SWINDON TOWN	A																		
Sat 13th MAR		STOCKPORT COUNTY	H																		
Tue 16th MAR		Blackpool	A																		
Sat 20th MAR		RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS	H																		
Sat 27th MAR		Port Vale	A																		
Sat 3rd APR		CHESTERFIELD	H																		
Sat 10th APR		Sheffield Wednesday	A																		
Mon 12th APR		COLCHESTER UNITED	H																		
Sat 17th APR		Barnsley	A																		
Sat 24th APR		WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H																		
Sat 1st MAY		Grimbsy Town	A																		
Sat 8th MAY		AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H																		

TODAY'S OTHER SECOND DIVISION FIXTURES

BRISTOL CITY v STOCKPORT COUNTY

GRIMSBY YOON v WREXHAM

HARTLEPOOL UNITED v COLCHESTER UNITED

LUTON TOWN v BARNESLEY

OLDHAM ATHLETIC v QPR

PETERBOROUGH UNITED v RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS

PLYMOUTH ARGYLE v NOTTS COUNTY

PORT VALE v BLACKPOOL

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY v CHESTERFIELD

TRANMERE ROVERS v BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION

WYCOMBE WANDERERS v AFC BOURNEMOUTH

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

as at 19th December

Pos Team	HOME				AWAY				GD Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	
1 QPR	21	8	3	0	26	3	3	5	2
2 Plymouth Argyle	21	6	3	1	23	10	5	4	2
3 Brighton & Hove Albion	21	7	2	2	19	9	3	3	1
4 Barnsley	21	5	6	0	15	8	4	1	5
5 Colchester United	21	6	3	2	14	10	4	1	5
6 Luton Town	21	7	2	1	21	11	2	4	5
7 AFC Bournemouth	21	5	5	1	18	12	3	3	10
8 Port Vale	21	7	2	1	19	12	2	3	11
9 Hartlepool United	21	5	5	0	18	4	3	2	6
10 Bristol City	21	5	4	1	16	7	2	6	3
11 Wrexham	21	4	4	3	11	7	5	0	5
12 Blackpool	21	5	0	6	14	13	4	3	11
13 Rushden & Diamonds	21	5	3	3	22	16	3	2	5
14 Swindon Town	21	4	4	3	19	13	3	4	10
15 Grimsby Town	21	4	2	4	15	9	3	4	19
16 BEES	21	5	1	4	16	17	3	2	8
17 Sheffield Wednesday	21	2	5	3	11	12	4	3	15
18 Tranmere Rovers	21	5	3	2	14	9	1	5	5
19 Oldham Athletic	21	4	2	4	15	13	1	6	4
20 Stockport County	21	1	5	5	14	20	3	4	11
21 Peterborough United	21	0	4	6	13	19	4	4	5
22 Notts County	21	3	3	5	12	12	2	2	7
23 Chesterfield	21	2	5	4	12	13	0	3	7
24 Wycombe Wanderers	21	2	2	6	14	18	0	5	6

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5,281 (10 games)

Ave Home Attendance All Comps

5,077 (11 games)

Ave Away Attendance League Only

5,893 (11 games)

Ave Away Attendance All Comps

5,422 (15 games)

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DIVISION TWO RESULTS

as at 19th December

	BARNESLEY	BLACKPOOL	BOURNEMOUTH	BRISTOL CITY	CHESTERFIELD	COLCHESTER UNITED	GRIMSBY TOWN	HARTEPOOL	LUTON TOWN	MILLS COUNTY	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	PORT VALE	RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	STOKE TOWN	SWINDON TOWN	TRANMERE ROVERS	WISBURY

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