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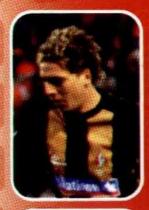
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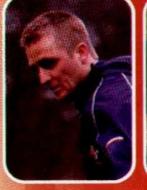
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COMMENT - Chris Tanner

Today's game with Chesterfield will no doubt bring about memories of the 3-0 reverse we endured at Saltergate earlier in the season. How fortunes change, as we now find ourselves in fourth position, gunning for those teams above us in the automatic spots. The Play-Offs are now more than just a pipe dream, they could be a dream come true.

In this week's edition James Sparks speaks to Alan Reeves and gets his views on all things red and white, we also have the wise words of 'The Duke of Banbury' who takes us through a memorable weekend in Blackpool. There is a feature on Sean O'Hanlon as well as the latest from regular columnists Mark Devlin, Andy King, David Duke, Jon Ritson and much more.

There is now a great buzz about the Club and rightly so. The atmosphere around the place is extremely positive and long may it continue. Don't forget to book your ticket for the fans forum on Thursday 4th March, just call into the main reception at the Club or send me an email at the address below.

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THENEWS

COUNTY GROUND DIARY

TUESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY NICHOLAS SIGNS CONTRACT EXTENSION

Andrew Nicholas signs a two-year contract extension which will keep him at The County Ground until June 2006.

The defender has made a big impression since arriving on a free transfer from Anfield having been released from Liverpool. Andy King moved quickly for the player in the

summer of 2003 and having broken into the first team, has now made the left-back slot his own.

After putting pen to paper on his contract at The County Ground, Nicholas gave his views to Swindontownfc.co.uk.

"It is great news. I came in the summer and signed a one year deal, but to have signed the two year

extension is brilliant for me.

When I joined I knew I would not be going straight into the first team squad because of my lack of experience at this level but I have exceeded my expectations here so far.

This story was broken FIRST via the Club's official SMS service. To sign-up, just text CLUB SWIN to 88442.

WEDNESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY FANS FORUM TICKET DETAILS

There are still some tickets remaining for the STFC Fans Forum, which will take place on Thursday March 4th, starting at 7.30pm.

In attendance will be Manager Andy King, Chief Executive Mark Devlin as well as two first team players.

The event will be broadcast live via STFC World and BBC Radio Swindon.

To apply for your ticket* call into the Main Reception at The County Ground, or please write to:

Chris Tanner, Media & Communications Manager, Swindon Town FC, The County Ground, Swindon, Wiltshire., SN1 2ED

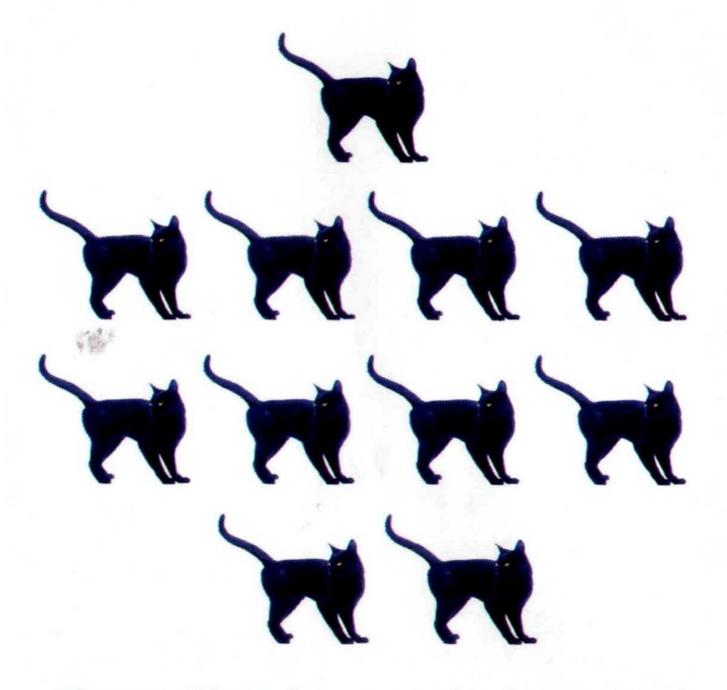
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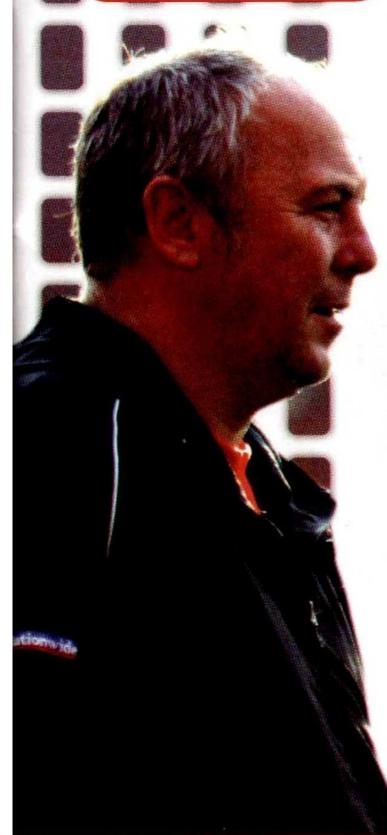
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GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO TODAY'S GAME WITH CHESTERFIELD. I WOULD LIKE TO WISH A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITING PLAYERS, SUPPORTERS, DIRECTORS AND ESPECIALLY ROY MCFARLAND TO THE COUNTY GROUND.

I had the pleasure of working with Roy for a short period of time when I was at Mansfield, when he left Derby he came down to help out to keep involved in the game. Roy was a great player in his time, and along with Colin Todd, was probably one of the best centreback combinations in the game. Roy is a true professional and gentlemen. He is doing a good job at Chesterfield, as they have put together a good run and he has lifted them out of the relegation zone.

We arrive at today's game on the back of another very good result at Stockport. We played tremendously well in the first twenty minutes to get into a 3-0 lead but we did well to fight off the pressure that Stockport put upon us. The game was harder than the result suggested as we were under immense pressure for long periods in the game and defending well. This remembering - Stockport had signed 6 new players with 3 on loan and 3 on permanent deals.

Andy Nicholas scored his first goal for the Club last weekend and he has committed himself to the Club by signing a new contract. Young players are the future of the Club and to that end, I hope to have had something tied up with Sean O'Hanlon as you read these notes. Brian Howard is also in the process of signing his new contract. He scored a great goal last weekend and if it had been scored in the Premiership it would have been highlighted on numerous occasions.

I must say well done to the Youth Team who progressed into the Quarter-Finals of the FA Cup with a win over Cambridge, who knocked out Leicester in the previous round so the score-line was an achievement in itself. It is great news for the Club and it shows both the importance of the youth system and the strength that we have within the set-up at that level. Well done to the kids.

Finally, your support up at Stockport was fantastic and I cannot tell you the importance of it. It lifts me when I hear the vocal support that you give as it indicates that the team are playing well. I hope that we can entertain you once again and get the result we need.

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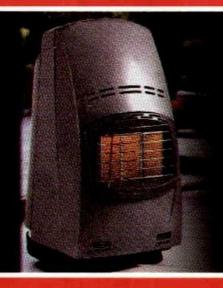
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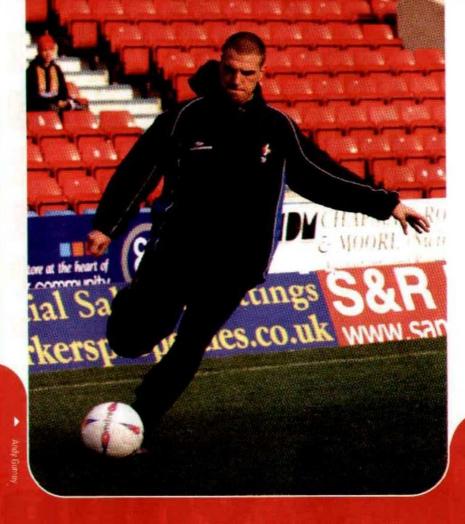
WELCOME TO THIS AFTERNOONS FIXTURE WITH CHESTERFIELD.

After Steve Robinson's unfortunate fracture to his fibula against Blackpool he will initially be resting for two weeks before starting some light cycling and swimming. Thankfully the fractures were non-displaced which should result in his return to training in approximately six weeks.

There were two doubts after last weekend's game. Stef sustained a sprained ankle with associated bruising and swelling and David Duke received a kick on the Achilles area of his lower leg.

David Duke's injury should be fine by today making him available for selection, whilst Stef will be receiving intensive treatment all week and should be available this afternoon.

If you have any questions or enquiries regarding sports injury treatment, then please do not hesitate to send me an email to physio@swindontownfc.co.uk



CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

WELCOME TO THIS
AFTERNOON'S GAME WITH
CHESTERFIELD. TODAY SEES
US FACE A RESURGENT
SPIREITES SIDE WHO WILL BE
LOOKING FOR A PROFITABLE
VISIT TO THE COUNTY
GROUND.

Last weekend was another entertaining game where we managed to take all three points up at Edgeley Park. We got off to a flying start going 3-0 up inside 18 minutes. The first goal was pleasing from a team point of view as it was something that we had worked on in training. Tommy timed his run to perfection at the near post and he

has proved a great addition to the side this season.

Chesterfield are currently sitting 19th in the Second Division and have only picked up two wins away from home. Today will not be an easy fixture for us as we found out to our cost back in October.

There is a common belief that we can achieve something special here this season. Your support has been tremendous and it acts as a real lift to the players. Keep it up!

Enjoy the game.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE, STFC. MARK DEVLIN 0 0 0



GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME BACK TO THE COUNTY GROUND FOR THE VISIT OF CHESTERFIELD. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CAN I ALSO OFFER A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITING DIRECTORS, MANAGEMENT, PLAYERS AND SUPPORTERS FROM CHESTERFIELD.

The last week or so has seen several reports on the state of football in England. The all-party parliamentary commission have presented their thoughts, as have the Independent Football Commission (IFC). Both of these reports are well intentioned and thought through, but in my opinion have not provided too much in the way of new information or practical guidance for the future. For instance, do you really believe that the Premier League will share any more of its television money with the members of the football league? They already believe that they plough enough of the money into grants for youth development or parachute payments for those teams suffering relegation. One of the biggest challenges facing the football league is that of addressing the disproportional financial imbalance between The

Premier League and Division One. Chasing that particular dream and then suffering relegation has caused virtually every club that has been involved a massive financial headache, ourselves included. We cannot simply expect the Premier League clubs to hand over more revenue- that's why clubs voted for it in the first place- to keep a much higher percentage of the TV rights revenue than was previously so. We do need to better market the merits of the Football League. For too long we have allowed it to be portrayed as the ugly sister of the Premiership. There is much to attract support to the Football League, both in terms of fans and sponsorship.

The other big issues raised by the reports were the calls for a 'fit and proper persons' test for those getting involved in the ownership and management of clubs, which I welcome. Also there were calls for greater ethnic diversity throughout the game, not only at playing level but at management and board level too. Many people claim that racism exists in the running of many football clubs, as it does in society at large. I have never witnessed this first hand, but I feel certain that as black players retire from playing the game (and remember



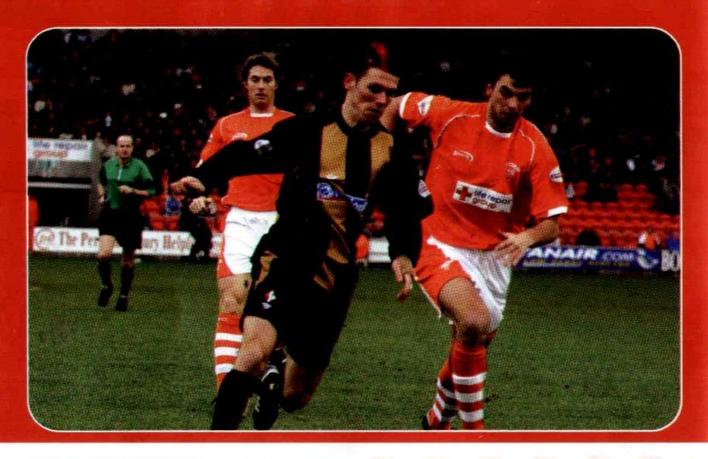
we did not see many black players in England before the mid 1970's), more and more will get the opportunity turn their hand to coaching and management.

I must also say a quick thank you to Ed Hadwin for inviting me to cocommentate on last weekend's match at Stockport. It was very enjoyable experience and gave me a good insight into the media side of our business. I trust I didn't lose BBC Radio Swindon too many listeners, and I'm sure you have heard the last of my, very brief, radio career.

Enjoy the game and thanks for your continued support.

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MATCH ACTION BLACKPOOL 2 SWINDON TOWN 2



ANDY GURNEY SCORED A LATE EQUALISER TO GAIN A HARD EARNED POINT AFTER AN EXCITING CLASH WHICH SAW THE SEASIDERS REDUCED TO TEN MEN WHEN RICHIE WELLENS WAS SENT OFF AFTER CLASHING WITH SAMMY IGOE WRITES STFC SPORTS REPORTER ADRIAN SMITH.

Town had a couple of early attacks before a mistake by Andy Gurney almost lead to a goal by Danny Coid but Alan Reeves intervened to cut out the danger.

Town had a free-kick in the 10th minute after Steve Robinson was hacked down but Gurney's free-kick from 22 yards grazed the crossbar. Robinson was eventually replaced by Sean O'Hanlon who had a good solid match at right back after Andy King shuffled his line-up.

The Town defence was punished for some hesitancy in the 14thminute when Scott Taylor latched onto a through ball by Dinning to nip between Reeves and Heywood and score his 25th goal of the season.

Town counterattacked well with Igoe having a strong run down the right wing and his pass to Igoe was flicked on by Gurney towards Mooney but he was denied by Barnes in the Seasiders' goal.

Taylor almost scored again in the 21st minute but he shot wide and moments later Mooney had a header from a cross by O'Hanlon but the ball went wide of the upright. Gurney had a golden chance in the 28thminute from a cross by Igoe but his shot lacked power and Barnes was able to gather the ball easily.

Town had a sustained period of attacking and Matt Heywood went close in the34th minute with a header from a cross by Igoe but Barnes pushed the ball away for a corner. Wellens was the first player to be cautioned for a trip on Igoe in the 39th minute but no Town player was able to connect to the ball as it flashed across goal.

Leam Richardson missed a good chance from 12 yards when his shot flew over the bar and in added time David Duke pushed forward to force a corner for Town but Igoe's cross was gathered by Barnes.

After the break a Town free-kick in the 46th minute caused confusion in the Blackpool defence although Town were unable to get a shot on goal but two minutes later Sam Parkin scored his 15th goal of the season with a fine header from a cross by Igoe to lift the spirits of the 607 Town supporters.

Blackpool had two appeals for

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penalties in the space of two minutes but the Referee was not swayed and at the other end Igoe sent Mooney clear but he was denied by a defensive clearance.

Rhys Evans made a breathtaking save in the 57thminute from a powerful shot by Elliott as he dived away to his left and push the ball out for a corner.

Parkin was fouled in the 60th minute but Mooney's free-kick struck a defender before the ball ricocheted to O'Hanlon but his shot flew wide.

In the 64th minute Tony Dinning was allowed to shoot from 25 yards and his powerful swerving shot deceived Evans after the ball hit a patch of mud in the goal area.

Blackpool were reduced to 10 men when Wellens was sent off for a second yellow card after fouling Igoe on the halfway line in the 66th minute which incensed the home supporters and Steve McMahon.

Blackpool replaced Mike Sheron with Keith Southern in the 67thminute and a minute later Rory Fallon entered the fray when he replaced Alan Reeves although it was Blackpool who lifted the tempo of the game despite only having 10 players.

David Duke was replaced by Brian Howard in the 79th minute and he was involved in a good attack which resulted in a corner although Barnes caught the cross cleanly.

Andy Gurney scored an equaliser for Town in the 83rd minute after a scramble in the Blackpool goalmouth following a cross by Howard and this sparked jubilant scenes amongst the travelling Town fans.

Town continued to press forward as they tried to press home their





numerical advantage and were almost rewarded when Mooney had a smart shot from the edge of the area which was pushed out for a corner by Barnes.

Evans made a superb save with his feet from a shot by Martin Bullock as Blackpool went all out to try and secure all three points but Town held on to claim a deserved point at Bloomfield Road.

BLACKPOOL:

Phil Barnes, Leam Richardson (Simon Grayson), Gareth Evans, Mike Flynn, Steve Elliott, Martin Bullock, Danny Coid, Richie Wellens, Tony Dinning, Mike Sheron(Keith Southern), Scott Taylor

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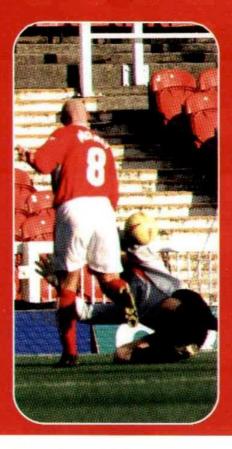
Rhys Evans, David Duke (Brian Howard), Matt Heywood, Alan Reeves (Rory Fallon), Andy Nicholas, Andy Gurney, Sammy Igoe, Matt Hewlett, Steve Robinson (Sean O'Hanlon), Tommy Mooney, Sam Parkin

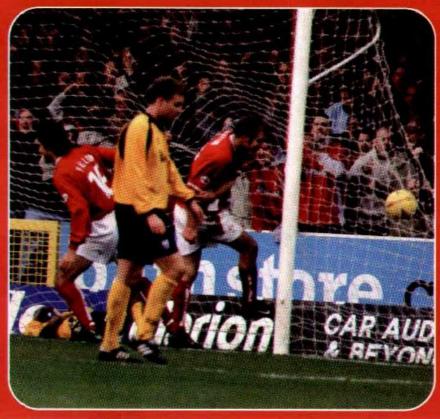
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MATCH ACTION SWINDON TOWN 4 RUSHDEN & DIAMO

RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS 2





FOUR GOAL TOWN POLISHED OFF THE DIAMONDS TO MOVE UP TO FOURTH IN THE TABLE WRITES STFC SPORTS REPORTER SIMON COY.

Tommy Mooney opened the scoring before further goals from Gurney, Duke and a Hunter og sealed a 4-2 victory for Swindon despite replies from Rodney Jack and an Alan Reeves own goal as Town stretched their unbeaten run to seven games since losing at Rushden on Boxing Day.

Swindon started positively with Sammy Igoe looking dangerous. In the 4th minute the little midfielder made a surging run through the centre of the park into the Diamonds box. His weak shot fell into the path of Sam Parkin but the striker was unable to shoot.

In the 9th minute Town took the lead after a mistake in the Rushden defence by Leo Roget left Mooney

clear on goal and as keeper Ashdown advanced to meet him he coolly lifted the ball over and into the empty net.

Just after the quarter of an hour Town doubled their lead from the penalty spot when Rushden midfielder Andy Burgess inexplicably hand balled in the box earning himself a yellow card. Swindon skipper Gurney stepped up and confidently drilled the penalty home past Ashdown.

In the 26th minute David Duke squandered a good chance to put Town three up when he mis-kicked in the centre of the box from a superb Igoe ball after excellent build up play from Mooney and Parkin.

Rushden struggled to make any openings as Swindon continued to dominate the game.

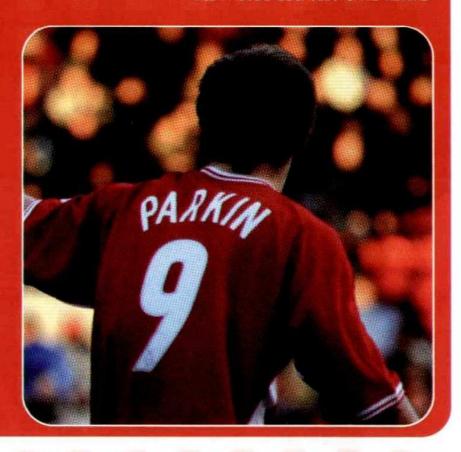
Five minutes before half time Rushden began to increase the pressure. A long free kick by Sambrook almost reached Lowe in the Town area but the big striker was unable to get a clean header on target and the ball was cleared.

Soon after Diamonds were awarded a free kick on the edge of the Town box after Sammy Igoe fouled Lowe and was booked for the challenge. David Bell stepped up to drive the ball goalwards but his effort struck the Town wall. As it fell free in the box Gary Mills pounced to fire in a shot but the alert Rhys Evans raced from his line to smoother his effort.

In injury time a superb break almost led to Town's third. Igoe began the move by finding Tommy Mooney free on the right. The striker raced forward before feeding Parkin on the edge of the box. Super Sammy let fly but his shot was deflected and ran clear to the incoming Duke whose first time shot was well saved by Diamonds keeper Ashdown.



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Rushden had the first opportunity of the second half when Reeves fouled Lowe on the edge of the box but the big striker blazed the free kick high and wide. Immediately after Sean O'Hanlon was booked for a foul on Rodney Jack but the ball in from Sambrook was wasted.

In the 53rd minute the pressure paid off as Rushden pulled a goal back. Following a corner the ball fell to Rodney Jack on the right wing and his dangerous ball to the near post was turned into his own net by Alan Reeves.

In the 69th minute an under the cosh Town were awarded a free kick on the edge of the Diamonds box after a foul on Parkin but Tommy Mooney could only send his curling effort into the wall and behind for a corner which was comfortably cleared.

Soon after a spell of Town pressure resulted in Swindon scoring the third. A long throw from Nicholas came off Mooney and the ball fell to Duke who made no mistake as he fired home from 12 yards.

Rushden came straight back at Swindon and pulled a goal back within two minutes as a long cross to the far post by Burgess was headed home by Jack as the Town defence slept momentarily.

Andy King made two late changes as Rory Fallon was introduced for Tommy Mooney and shortly after Stefani Miglioranzi returned from injury in place of the lively Sammy Igoe.

With five minutes remaining O'Hanlon was on-hand to make a last ditch clearance at the feet of Lowe before a great run by Paul Hall was blocked in the box by Miglioranzi as he unleashed a venomous effort.

In time added on Town broke away against the run of play to claim a fourth goal. On the break the ball was played





long towards Parkin on the edge of the Rushden box. Keeper Ashdown raced to punch the ball clear only as far as Hewlett who played back an excellent goalbound lob which was headed off the line by Leo Roget only for Hunter to head the ball home from under the bar under pressure from Fallon.

SWINDON TOWN:

Rhys Evans, Andy Gurney, Sammy Igoe (Stefani Miglioranzi), Sam Parkin, Sean O'Hanlon, Andy Nicholas, Matt Heywood, Alan Reeves, Tommy Mooney (Rory Fallon), David Duke, Matt Hewlett

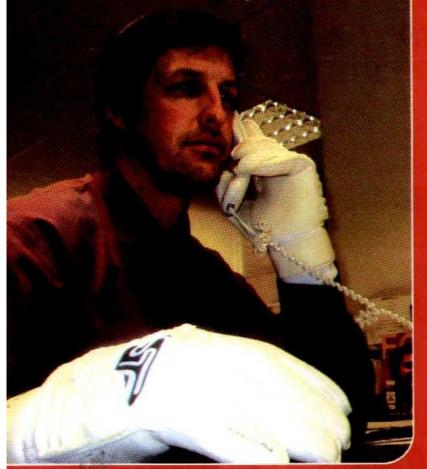
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A fine catch for the Marketing
Department means that the position
of Sales Executive has a safe pair of
hands with Fraser Digby a natural in
his new role. Town fans take note the legend is back!

And its double good news for the Robins with Rhys and Bart benefiting from the former England U21 international's experience as Andy King's goalkeeping coach, following a distinguished career serving Swindon, QPR, Crystal Palace and Kidderminster.

However with his gloves off Fraser enjoys his day job, understanding the importance of looking after the vital revenue provided by the clubs corporate entertainment. "I'm very keen to improve relationships with local companies and businesses by showing them the excellent product we offer."

Family man Fraser, 36, has always remained in Wiltshire, living near Marlborough for many years. He spends his leisure time watching his

sons blossoming at their favourite sports. His eldest Joshua has a talent for football and rugby representing St. Johns School at both as well as playing for a local Sunday side, whilst his middle son Remi plays rugby for Marlborough Rugby Club.

On A Matchday Saturday...

11.00am -

I arrive at the ground and liase with my colleague Stephen Mytton about the corporate entertainment and check that all the rooms are ready for the guests.

12.00pm - 2.00pm -

The groups for corporate hospitality start to arrive and I begin my role talking to the guests. My job is mainly PR related as I speak to the VIP's and Executive Club members. It's a nice job as I get the chance to chat to people and hopefully also get some new contacts.

2.00pm -

Time for a quick change out of my suit and into my tracksuit for my other

match day role as goalkeeping coach.

2.20pm -

I go out onto the pitch with Rhys initially, as he is currently first choice, to warm him up and then shortly after Bart comes out and we do some work together to get them both ready.

3.00pm -

By now I have changed back into my suit and go up into the stand to watch the game from a coaching perspective for Andy King.

3.45pm - 4.40pm -

During half-time I continue looking after the corporate guests again before resuming my coaching duties again for the second half from the stand.

After The Game -

At the end of the match I switch back to my PR role and usually enjoy a chat about the game with the guests before leaving for home. Generally Rhys will call me later that day and we go through the performance again from his perspective to help him improve further.

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The Producer

I'm A Celebrity, Get Me Out Of Here

Mr Producer,

Razor Ruddock! Oh dear, what a disaster... mind you, everybody around these parts says that all though he was eliminated he refused to go until he was paid in full!

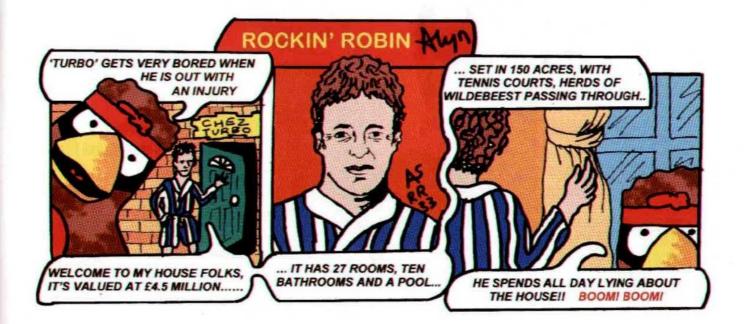
Well, thank you for the invitation. I'm not sure about the eating worms and insects part of it though, that sort of thing is strictly for the birds. My first thoughts were to suggest some other mascots, but then I thought no - too easy! I could do with some proper competition. Then I thought about a selection of Premier League Managers. First on the list would be Sir Alex Ferguson. I can just see him chewing away on one of those grubs like his chewing

gum. Aahhl A horrible vision! But then - would anybody get on with him? He's not the most sociable of geezers. I heard the story about when he left home in Scotland and moved into his own flat. His parents rang a few weeks later and asked how he was getting on. Well, the neighbours are a bit strange" he said "on one side there is a man who keeps banging his head on the wall, and on the other is a woman who lies on the floor crying and moaning" His mum advised him to keep himself to himself. "I do" Alex said "I just stay in my room all day and play my bagpipes." So, on second thoughts let's leave Alex out, although his Half Time Hair Dryer would come in handy... actually, I'm not sure I could cope with all those snakes out in the jungle. I had a mate once who had a pet snake. He took him into a pub and ordered two pints. My mate drunk his, but his snake struggled with the glass and the pint smashed onto the floor. The man apologised, ordered another for the snake and the same thing happened, and then again, yet another pint smashed to the floor. The barman politely asked the snake to leave the pub. My mate said "I'm so sorry - he just can't hold his drink!" Boom Boom!

Any way, what was the question? - oh, no thanks I wouldn't be seen dead on the programme!

Good Luck!

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PERHAPS THE FIRST THING
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MOUSTACHED FIGURE OF
COLIN PROPHETT ON THE LEFT
OF THE MIDDLE ROW AS YOU
LOOK AT IT.

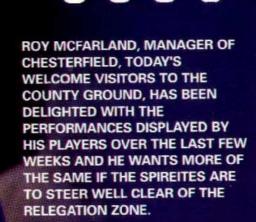
Colin had totalled 160 League appearances for Swindon before moving on to Chesterfield. The picture is off the Chesterfield squad for the 1979-80 season and Shaun O'Neill (third from right front row) and Geoff Salmons between him and manager, Arthur Cox were ever present during that campaign. Their leading scorer was Ernie Moss (third from right in the middle row) who notched 14 League goals and four more in the League Cup. Swindon met Chesterfield at the County Ground early in the new season on 15th September. Besides notes by Manager and Chairman Paul Plowman's history of Town goalkeepers took the story from Ted Nash to Frank Bourne and an 8-2 hammering at Merthyr in October 1927. There was also an interview with

Town full back John Templeman while Tony Pullein had a whole page article on the visitors alongside the picture above. Both sides went into the game on the back of 3-0 scorelines but whereas Swindon had lost at Rotherham Chesterfield had defeated Colchester. Phil Walker put the Spireites ahead after just seven minutes. A long throw found Walker unmarked just feet from goal and he prodded the ball home. Hitting Swindon on the break Chesterfield might have gone further ahead on a couple of occasions. Then, after 32 minutes the visitors failed to clear a free kick and Andy Rowland bundled it over the line. Adver reporter, Daragh Croxon, was not impressed with the second half display that he described as having "as much excitement as waiting for the last bus on a wet Wednesday in November." There was certainly nothing Novemberish about the weather and the hot sunshine may have accounted for some of the lethargic play from both sides. In the end it proved to be a case of the manager knowing best. The Swindon fans had been chanting for

Chris Kamara to be brought on for some time but there was a groan of consternation when it was realised that goal scoring favourite Alan Mayes was the player being replaced. Town boss, Bob Smith, had the last laugh though when Kamara got on the end of a corner by lan Miller and sent a back header looping into the net. Ken Stroud was picked out by more than one reporter as the pick of the Town's players on the day while goalkeeper, Glen Letheren, who did well to tip a free kick from Ray McHale over the bar earned praise for the visitors. The reverse fixture saw Chesterfield reverse the scoreline. Colin Tartt's own goal gave Town the advantage at the interval but Alan Birch and Phil Bonneyman turned the tables with second half strikes. Chesterfield finished a creditable fourth just one point behind Sheffield Wednesday who clinched the third promotion place. A strong home record with 16 victories, including a 7-1 thrashing of Reading, and just 16 goals conceded. Swindon finished a disappointing 10th with 46 points.

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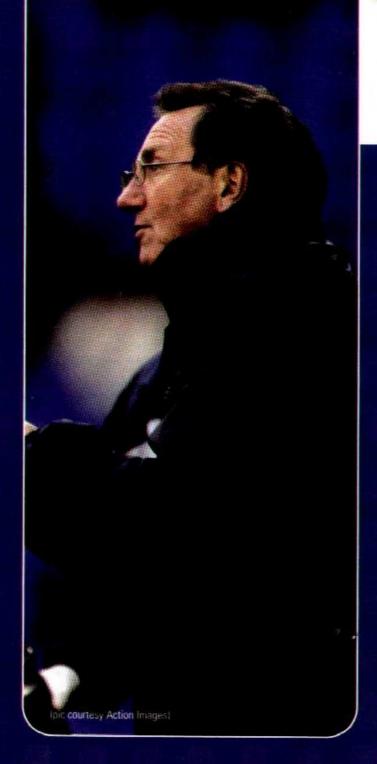
Six weeks ago Chesterfield were lying third from bottom of the Second Division table with 21 points from 24 games. Now they have risen to 19th place with a total of 34 points from 31 starts and are improving all the time.

Among their recent results was an excellent 4-2 home win over promotion challengers Queen's Park Rangers - a victory described in the press as outstanding. They have also knocked over Peterborough United 2-0 at London Road and won 2-1 at home against Wrexham, but they did succumb to a 4-0 demolition at Bristol City when the Ashton Gate club scored three goals in the last six minutes as the Spireites were pouring men forward in search of a deserved equaliser.

"We didn't play badly that day," said McFarland, "they simply played better and took their chances".

Last weekend they took on Rushden & Diamonds at home and enjoyed a 2-0 home win thanks to goals from Glynn Hurst and a penalty from David Reeves.

Chesterfield - with only two away wins so far this season - will be tough opponents and will be keen to gain at least a draw as they edge upwards and away from danger.

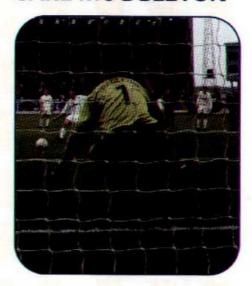


THE GAFFER ROY MCFARLAND

Roy McFarland was an England international centre-half (28 caps gained) who made 35 league appearances for his first club Hartlepool United (season 1966-67) before becoming a star performer in Brian Clough's side at Derby. He played over 450 games for the Rams, winning First and

Second Division championship medals. He later assisted Bradford City and Derby (again) before going into management. He has bossed Bolton Wanderers, Derby and Torquay United and took over the reins at Saltergate last year (from Dave Rushbury), He will be 56 in April.

DANGERMAN CARL MUGGLETON



CARL MUGGLETON - Vastly experienced goalkeeper, aged 35, who has served with 13 different clubs and is in his third spell with Chesterfield, his others both being on loan in 1987 and 1999. Born in Leicester, he started his career at Filbert Street and made over 50 appearances for the Foxes before travelling the country. He has assisted Blackpool, Hartlepool United, Stockport County, Stoke City (two spells), Celtic (13 games), Rotherham United. Sheffield United, Mansfield Town, Cardiff City, Cheltenham Town and Bradford City. He has now amassed in excess of 350 club appearances as well as gaining one Under-21 cap for England. A fine shot-stopper, he commands his area well and his experience is going a long way in helping the younger players in front of him.

DID YOU KNOW?

- · Chesterfield hold the record for the highest score in the Third Division North Cup. Seventy years ago they thrashed Mansfield Town 8-1 at Saltergate.
- · Chesterfield reached the semi-final stage of the FA Cup in 1997. They were controversially beaten in a replay by Middlesbrough.

LAST MEETING HERE

In January 2003 Town were the victors in a comfortable 3-0 home win. Goals from Sam Parkin, Danny Invincibile and Alan Reeves earned the points in front of 4.544.



STEVE BLATHERWICK

30 year-old defender, strong and experienced who is with his sixth club having previously served with Nottingham Forest, Wycombe, Hereford, Reading and Burnley. He has well over 200 senior appearances under his belt.

CHRIS BRANDON

27 year-old live-wire midfielder, signed from Torquay United two years ago, he made over 80 appearances for the Devon-based club.

GARETH DAVIES

21 year-old local-born right-wing back who has been at Saltergate two years (signed from Chesterfield College).

KEVIN DAWSON

Central defender, ex-Nottingham, Forest (where his brother still plays) he has also assisted Barnet and has over 60 senior games to his credit.

IAN EVATT

22 year-old Coventry-born midfielder, formerly with Derby County and Northampton Town, he joined Chesterfield last year. He played in the Premiership with the Rams.

MARK HUDSON

An exciting, all-action 23 year-old midfielder, once of Middlesbrough who joined Chesterfield after loan spells at Saltergate and also Carlisle United.

GLYN HURST

28 year-old forward, who has been with Chesterfield since 2001. Previously with Spurs (trainee), Barnsley, Swansea, Mansfield, Ayr United and Stockport, he's now bagged over 70 senior goals.

JAMIE McMASTER

Born in Australia 21 year ago, he joined Chesterfield on loan from Leeds United earlier this year and has also had a loan spell with Coventry City. He was an England Youth international midfielder.

Chesterfield Squad

DEREK NIVEN

A promising youngster who made his League debut for Chesterfield earlier this season but has not been a regular in then side. "One for the future" says his boss.

ALAN O'HARE

21 year-old Irishman from Drogheda who played initially for Bolton Wanderers before joining Chesterfield in October 2002 after a loan spell at Saltergate. He is a strong tackling defender with a good attitude.

STEPHEN PAYNE

28 year-old Yorkshireman, previously with Huddersfield Town and Macclesfield, he joined Chesterfield in July 1999 and has now made over 250 appearances for his two clubs as a centre-back. He is the Spireites skipper.

DAVID REEVES

A much-travelled 36 year-old forward who has been with nine different clubs including Sheffield Wednesday, Burnley, Bolton and Preston. He returned to Chesterfield in 2002 having previously been at Saltergate in 1997 and has now scored almost 220 goals as a professional.

ANDREW RICHMOND

21 year-old reserve goalkeeper, signed as a professional two years ago after serving the club as an apprentice. He was born in Nottingham.

MARVIN ROBINSON

A forward, aged 23 from Crewe, who played for Derby County, Stoke City and Tranmere before joining Chesterfield. He was an England schoolboy international.



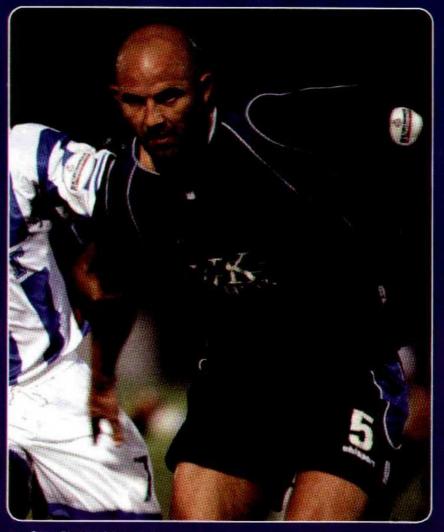
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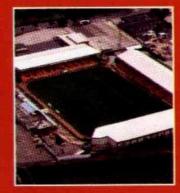
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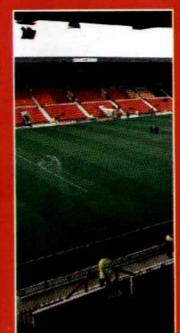
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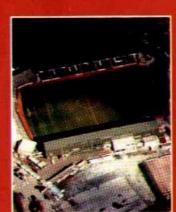
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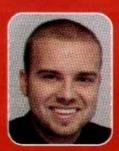
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JON RITSON



I AM DELIGHTED THAT I'VE HAD THE CHANCE TO EXTEND MY FOOTBALLING VOCABULARY THIS SEASON.

Without tempting fate in any shape or form, phrases such as 'troubled Town' 'sorry Swindon' 'relegation dogfight' and 'looking ahead to next season' are gathering dust and long may that remain the case.

Any football journalist who tells you that 'bad news is good news' is talking out of his or her ...err well, you know what I mean.

It is terrific to be writing about goals galore and impressive victories. Most of you have known the good times with Swindon Town. I'd love to say so have I, come the end of the current campaign. There is a real buzz around the club, lots of smiling faces and people are genuinely putting off booking holidays in May.

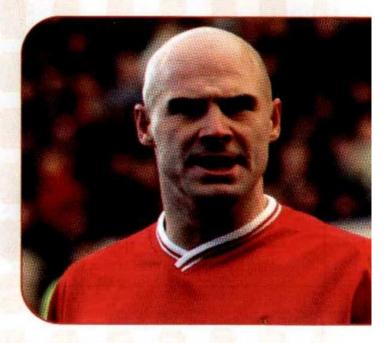
I certainly haven't booked anything yet and I hope that May remains a no-go. I don't even care if it means paying a bit more later in the year!

There is still a long way to go but it's great to look at the league table and see the lads in such a lofty position.

The question on everyone's lips is whether the season could yield more than a play-off place. Personally, I think it's asking a lot, perhaps too much, but I'd love to be proved wrong. If the wins continue to mount up then it might just cause Plymouth, QPR and Bristol City to start worrying. If that does happen then hopefully we'll be in a position to pounce. The latest triumph came in a thoroughly entertaining match at Stockport County.

Three up in 18 minutes, a first goal for Nicho and then a nailbiting spell where it looked like we might be pegged back.

Thankfully, Mr Mooney tucked home a late goal to make sure the long journey home was a happy one.



Our visitors today are enjoying something of a revival. From looking relegation certainties, they've pulled clear of the drop zone after a good run of results.

However, I have a feeling the lads will be hungry to banish the unpleasant memory of our 3-0 humiliation at Saltergate back in October.

Awful doesn't begin to do that performance justice. Let's hope this afternoon sees revenge extracted. The only Reeves twin I want to see smiling at the end of today's game is Alan! This is the first of three home games in our next four matches and hopefully we can take full advantage of that.

While the first team are flying, so too are Viv Busby's youngsters. Everyone in the youth department should be immensely proud of helping this club reach the quarter-finals of the FA Youth Cup. Roll on a trip to Sunderland or Crewe.

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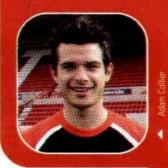
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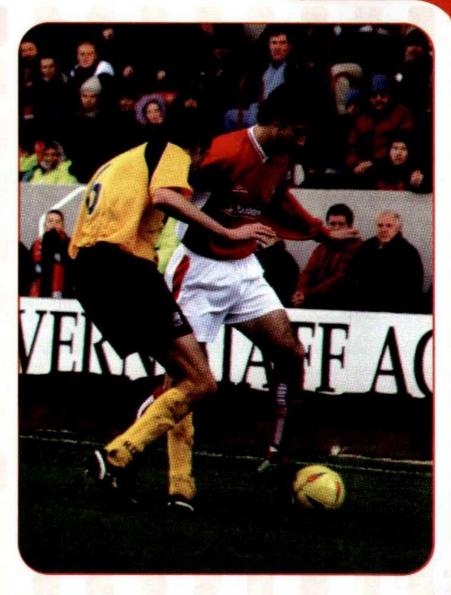
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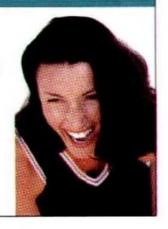
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SWINDON TOWN DREW 2-2 WITH SWANSEA CITY IN THE PONTINS HOLIDAY COMBINATION LEAGUE ON MONDAY AFTERNOON.

Alan Reeves named a strong starting line up, including himself, Rory Fallon, Bart Griemink and Grant Smith in the starting eleven.

Town's first real opportunity saw
Grant Smith swing in a dangerous
corner with Alan Reeves and Adi
Viveash both attacking the Swansea
goal. The resulting header, from
Reeves, beat the on rushing Brian
Murphy in goal and powered into
the net to give Town the lead.

Kyle Lapham nearly doubled the lead minutes later after some good work from Michael Pook and Chris Taylor. Taylor's deep cross eventually found Lapham at the far post and his first time volley was well blocked by the Swansea defence.

Swansea City then pulled level through Organmergon who latched onto a Thomas cross to power into the roof of the net. Unfortunately the powerful striker clattered into the post and was forced off injured, but he did well to connect with the cross and draw the Swans level.

Just before the break Rubery latched onto a free kick form Richard Jones to give Swansea the lead. Town failed to deal with the looping cross and Rubery pounced at the far post to slide the ball into the far right hand corner.

The second half saw Town search for the equaliser and despite a long spell without the ball; Alan Reeves' men could have drawn level. Grant Smith and Rory Fallon both had good chances well saved by Murphy in the Swansea goal, before Fallon eventually stole in to give Town a lifeline.

From a free-kick from Smith, Fallon glanced a header over the Swansea defence on 85 minutes and left the goalkeeper stranded as it rolled into the back of the net.

Skipper Grant Smith could have stolen the points seconds later when he latched onto a through ball and found himself in front of goal. However he drilled his shot straight at the legs of Murphy when he could have done better.

Town's next game is away at Bristol Rovers on Wednesday 3rd March, a 7.00pm kick off.

SWINDON TOWN:

Griemink, M Green, Oliver, Draycott, Viveash, Reeves, Lapham, Smith, Fallon, Pook, Taylor

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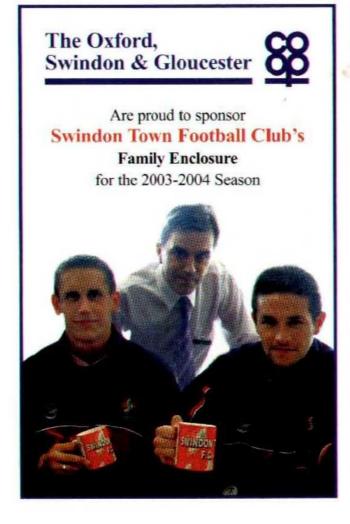
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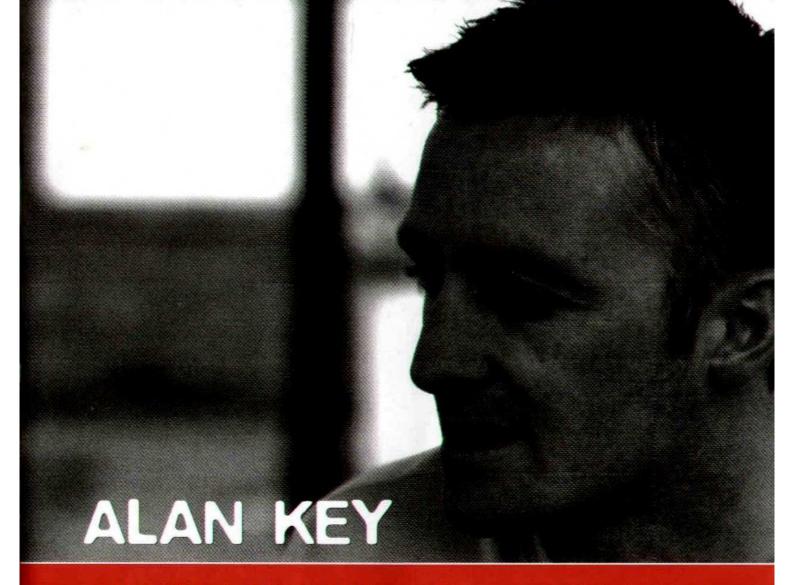
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THE NAME REEVES WILL LIVE LONG IN THE ANNALS OF MANY TOWN FANS' MEMORIES. OUR ALAN HAS BEEN SENDING BALLS INTO ROW Z FOR SEVERAL SEASONS AND EVEN NOW, DESPITE TAKING MORE OF BACK SEAT (AND PASSING THIRTY!), HE'S STILL MARSHALLING HIS TRUSTY YOUNG STEEDS FROM THE MIDDLE OF DEFENCE.

Yet today both sets of fans will be singing the name loud and proud, for the visit of Chesterfield sees Alan reunited with his brother once again. We caught up with the one they call 'Reeeeeeeeeeves' and quizzed him on what it would be like to mark his brother (again) and whether or not he'd like to reveal any family secrets.... "It does get a bit weird at times," enthuses big Al. "But we have played against each other enough now to know what each others best attributes are, so it is a case of trying to counteract them as best you can.

Recently it seems that Chesterfield are beating us comprehensively at their place and we seem to be beating them here. So, I hope that the trend can continue today because they beat us 3-0 up at Chesterfield last time around.

"They are coming off the back of a good run so it is not a great time to be playing them, but I am sure they will be

looking at our results thinking the same thing, so it should prove to be an interesting game."

It might be a case of plain sailing for Reeves at the moment as he looks to steer the Swindon ship towards a promotion push, but it is a far cry from seasons gone by when the team, and Reeves himself, have found themselves coming under intense criticism.

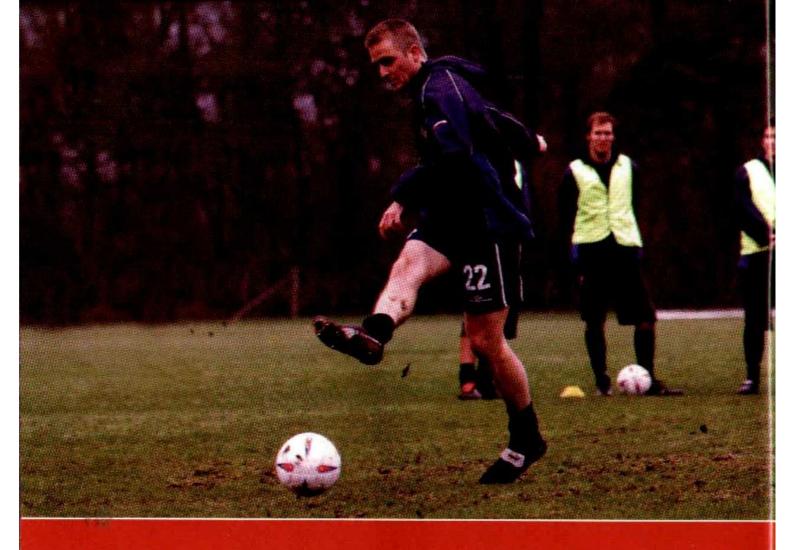
"The manager even said to me that he couldn't really play me at home because the amount of stick I was getting was affecting the other players.

"Swindon Town are a big club for this league and should really be in the First Division at least, but things didn't go well for two or three seasons and the fans needed to vent their feelings and it just so happened to be me.

"At the end of the day all you can do is go out and try to do your best for your team mates, the manager, the club and all the fans. You just have to dig a bit deeper than you normally do and try to play through it."

Having survived a number of managerial changes during his time as a Swindon Town stalwart, Reeves is one of the few remaining players to have seen out two administration periods. Now, with a number of new





faces in the squad, Reeves feels as though the club can put the troubled past behind them and look to the future...

"I think we have gone through our transitional period and we seem to be turning the corner now. That two or three-year period where the manager had his hands tied has passed and he has been able to put a squad together with a blend of decent young players alongside those with a bit of experience and it seems to be paying off.

"Youngsters can only learn by experience in this game and if you have someone who has been there, done that and made mistakes then they can learn, the older players can put them on the right track before they make the same errors.

Although I may get in trouble for pointing this out, Reeves is of course in that grey area of being the wrong side of thirty. But as Reserve Team Coach, Reeves has adapted well to life helping out the younger crop of talent whilst gaining that sneak preview of the football management which may be required when those boots are finally hung up for good.

"If I felt as though I was letting the players down then I wouldn't step over the white line for good, but at the moment I think I can go in the team and still do a job. I have had too much of a long and decent career to go out and spoil it all by playing longer than my legs will hold out. "I did a ten-day residential course at University the year before last and only have that final coaching assessment

to do now. You can't play forever and I definitely want to stay in the game.

"On the sidelines you see certain things but when you are playing you tend to just look after your particular area, trying to sort out the back four and the midfield in front of you, so it becomes tough to see the whole picture. It is a tremendous learning curve and should help me in the future."

Looking at the league table, Town currently lie in healthy position to make a final assault on the likes of Bristol City, QPR and Plymouth for automatic promotion. With those three sides yet to play, Reeves sees no reason why they can't be matched blow for blow all the way to the end of the campaign.

"I think we are as good as them on our day and we still have them all to play yet, so you never know. If we can stay up there and get to the last seven or eight games still in with a shout then we have got half a chance.

"All we can do is go on a game by game basis and try to pick up three points every week. We have got ourselves into a position now where even if we do get beat we will still find ourselves in the top six.

Wherever the side finish this season, Reeves will have undoubtedly played his part and given the acrimonious past of a more than competent centre back, the news that there is still life left in the old dog yet should fill the hearts of the Town faithful.



WORD ON THE WEB

WITH JAMES SPARKS

WELCOME TO TODAY'S GAME WITH CHESTERFIELD AND POSSIBLY MORE IMPORTANTLY WELCOME TO THE NEW 'WORD ON THE WEB' SECTION IN OUR MATCHDAY PROGRAMME.

The past few weeks have seen the Media Department concentrating on some new and exciting auction pieces, which of course is an ideal fundraising initiative for the club whilst giving YOU the fans a chance to get your hands on some great material. So far, we have seen hand signed and/or match worn shirts from Sebastien Ruster, Eric Sabin, Ian Herring, Jerel Ifil, Dean Marney, John Sutton and James Milner all do very well on our auction site QXL. Other than signed shirts we have seen the official match ball for the recent Rushden & Diamonds fixture, which was signed by all the goalscorers, go for a bargain £150. So, a big thank you goes out to all those have been busy bidding away and supporting the club with their efforts.

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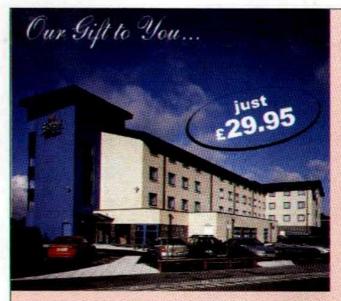
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YOUNG GUNS

TOWN'S YOUNGSTERS BATTLED INTO THE FA YOUTH CUP QUARTER FINAL WITH A HARD FOUGHT 1-0 VICTORY OVER CAMBRIDGE WRITES STFC SPORTS REPORTER SIMON COY.

Lance Lewis kept up his record of scoring in every round with the winner against a physical U's side who man for man towered over their County Ground counterparts.

Cambridge United started the better side as the Robins struggled to get into the game. Just after quarter of an hour Lewis raced onto an excellent Chris Taylor through ball but Ruddy was alert in the United goal and came out to clear the danger.

Swindon gradually came into the game with midfielder Harry Hambidge tricking his way down the right. His ball into the path of Justyn McKay after 27 minutes led to a first time shot that was blocked clear.

With three minutes to go until half time Lewis jinked his way into the box before the U's defence scambled the ball behind for a corner. Taylor's ball into the box bobbled around before falling to the alert Lewis and the Town hit-man poked home from close range to claim yet another Cup goal having scored in every round

On the hour Pook curled a long range free kick narrowly wide of Ruddy's left post with the United keeper rooted to the spot. Just after Hambidge fired in a low cross which Lewis just failed to reach racing in at the far post.

Town held on to record a good win watched by an enthusiastic crowd of 450. The win ensures Swindon a Quarter Final tie away to either Crewe Alexandra or Sunderland for a place in the last four.

Swindon Town: Matty Bulman, Kyle Lapham, Ian Oliver, Leigh Henry, Luke Garrard (C), Justyn McKay, Harry Hambidge (Ashan Holgate 90), Michael Pook, Lance Lewis, Chris Taylor, David Stroud

Subs Not Used: Jamie Morse (GK), Ben Wells, Lee Salter, Alex Rigley





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UNDER 17'S

Sat 16th Aug	Exeter City	Away	5-1
Sat 23th Aug	Torquay United	Home	1-0
Sat 6th Sep	Cardiff City	Away	0-1
Sat 13th Sep	Cheltenham Town	Home	2-1
Sat 20th Sep	Plymouth Argyle	Away	р-р
Wed 27th Sep	Bristol Rovers	Home	3-0
Sat 18th Oct	Cirencester	Home	р-р
Sat 25th Oct	Swansea City	Away	3-0
Sat 1st Nov	Yeovil Town	Home	1-2
Sat 8th Nov	AFC B'mouth	Away	р-р
Sat 15th Nov	Cardiff City	Home	1-3
Sat 22rd Nov	Cheltenham T	Away	1-0
Sat 6th Dec	Exeter City	Home	1-4
Sat 13th Dec	Torquay United	Away	1-2
Sat 10th Jan	Plymouth Argyle	Home	2-4
Sat 17th Jan	Bristol Rovers	Away	
Sat 7th Feb	Cirencester	Away	
Sat 14th Feb	Swansea City	Home	
Sat 28th Feb	AFC B'mouth	Home	
Sat 21st Apr	Yeovil Town	Away	

UNDER 19'S

Sat 16th Aug	AFC B'mouth	Home	2-2
Sat 23th Aug	Cardiff City	Away	2-1
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Sat 20th Sep	Plymouth Argyle	Home	0-1
Wed 27th Sep	Bristol Rovers	Away	1-1
Sat 4th Oct	Swansea City	Home	3-0
Sat 25th Oct	Exeter City	Away	4-1
Sat 15th Nov	Bristol Rovers	Home	3-0
Sat 22nd Nov	Luton Town (YAC)	Away	4-0
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Sat 13th Dec	Torquay United	Home	4-0
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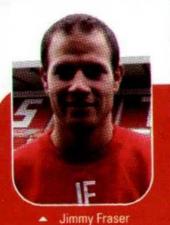
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Personally I watched the Under 11's put in a very encouraging performance as they seemed to be gelling well together, getting a better understanding of 11-a-side football. Albeit on a three quarter sized pitch. This is done to help the lads during the transitional stage from 8 vs 8 on a small-sided pitch, to 11-a-side on a full sized pitch. We will be continually monitoring this group, in the hope that they will continue to progress in their understanding of the difference of the way the game is played.

We have just completed our Half-Term period in which all of our groups for team and individual photo's. This is done to help raise funds for the Centre of Excellence when we eventually sell them back to the players, as well as being a fantastic memento of their time with us at Swindon Town FC. I would like to personally thank Martin French for agreeing to take the photo's free of charge, we appreciate your help.

We entertained the Gloucestershire Representative teams up at the Zurich Life Training Ground last Tuesday in the Under 9's, 10's and 11's age groups. This gave us a chance to get a look at the standard of player within the Gloucestershire area as well as giving our lads a chance of more football and learning within the games programme. I would like to thank Gloucestershire for bringing down their teams, and look forward to working with them in the near future.

On Thursday we were due to travel to Southampton in an Under 15/16 game. This will have given us the chance to test ourselves against Premier League opposition and give a few of our players a chance to prove their worth of a scholarship for next season.

Tomorrow morning we entertain AFC Bournemouth from Under 9's to Under 15's level and look forward to playing them and producing good all round performances.

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WE MEET AGAIN...

Dave Caldwell

OUR VISITORS TODAY ARE IN WITH A BETTER CHANCE OF BRINGING TO MIND THIS WEEK'S FEATURED PLAYER TO APPEAR FOR BOTH CHESTERFIELD AND SWINDON TOWN, BUT BOTH SET OF SUPPORTERS WILL NEED MEMORIES OF WATCHING THEIR RESPECTIVE CLUBS STRETCHING BACK AROUND 20 YEARS.

Dave Caldwell was born in Aberdeen in July 1960 and after a spell at non-league Inverness travelled to the land of the sassenachs to join Mansfield Town in the summer of 1979. The Stags dropped into Division Four at the end of Caldwell's first season at Field Mill with the forward making his full League debut in April 1980 after two substitute outings. All three games ended in defeat.

He was to spend six seasons at Mansfield and the entire spell saw the club trying to regain their Third Division status. Given a greater League chance, Caldwell started 1980/81 in the first team and registered his first League goal in the third match of the season, finishing the season with a healthy eight goals to his credit.

This haul increased by one in each of the next two seasons until 1983/84 saw Dave hit 23 in all competitions as he took to the field alongside

Colin Calderwood. 1984/85 therefore must have been a disappointment. While still finishing club top scorer, Caldwell's total was just ten and a move looked on the cards.

Loaned out to Second Division
Carlisle United in December 1984
where he played four games without
scoring, Dave Caldwell's Swindon
Town connection took place in
February 1985 when Lou Macari
brought him to the County Ground
on a month's loan. It wasn't an
auspicious stay.

A 0-0 Fourth Division draw at Torquay was followed by defeat at Stockport. A Colin Gordon brace at home to Exeter City as March commenced produced a win, but a loss at Port Vale by the same score meant that Caldwell had still to get on the Town score sheet. Missing the win over Bury, Dave played his fifth and final Swindon Town game on March 16th in a 1-1 home draw against Crewe. Again the net wasn't troubled by his shooting.

A short return to Mansfield saw him leave for Chesterfield that summer after 157 League appearances and 57 goals for the Stags.

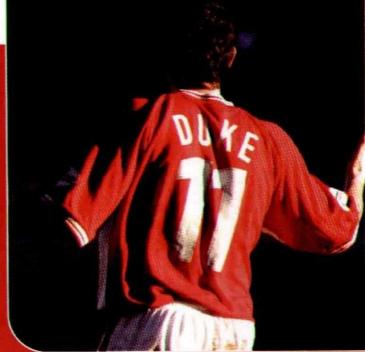
Chesterfield had just taken the Fourth Division title so the move finally brought the escalation in status for which he had strived so long. A 17th place finish in Division Three saw him register three League goals in his first season. 1986/87 saw an identical League finish, but this time Caldwell top scored for the club with 14. Unable to repeat the performance, the first three months of 1987/88 witnessed just one Littlewoods Cup goal and in November he moved south to join Torquay United after 68 games and 17 goals.

What looked like being an instant success eventually turned sour. Finishing fifth in Division Four, Caldwell had assisted with four goals and the play-off's beckened.

A Caldwell strike helped to secure a 2-1 win over Scunthorpe in the semi-final first leg and the job was completed with a 1-1 draw in the second. The two legged final brought a 2-1 defeat at Swansea City though and despite another Caldwell goal in a 3-3 draw back at Plainmoor, Swansea claimed the final promotion spot.

That summer, Dave Caldwell decided to try his hand on the continent and moved to Belgium. His career was one that seemed to have sporadic promise but ultimately, inconsistency seems to have been his downfall.

Dave Wallis



DUKEY'S COLUMN

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WITH RESULTS GOING SO WELL AT THE MINUTE CONFIDENCE MUST BE AT A SEASON LONG HIGH.

While at present we are firmly placed in a play-off position, I think that the players and I are sure a proportion of the fans must be keeping an eye on the automatic positions. I think that Bristol City have proved that by applying a bit of pressure to they leaders they could feel the strain and drop enough points for us to catch them. They must be starting to feel the strain; perhaps mentally we are in a better position where we are chasing the group rather than being out there and fighting to keep the group behind them. Only time will tell I suppose and with all the teams around us still in our path, maybe with positive results we can tighten the knot further and close the gap.

Who said that footballers are not romantic and don't know how to treat their ladies? They should come and hear the valentines stories in our dressing room. Admittedly there are still some of the old school who flashed a card and stretched to a peck on the cheek for their valentine efforts - mentioning no

names (Reeves). However much to my surprise, leading the way for the modern generation was Matty Hewlett!! I don't really want to broadcast the details of his weekend, although I'm sure Mrs Hewlett would love that! But I know Matty placed a lot of effort into his plans. I was really surprised, I didn't think that he had it in him! I always thought he was a pint of lager and a packet of crisps kind of guy, and if Mrs Hewlett was lucky she may get a single red rose from a random pub to pub flower salesman. Closely behind Matty on the romantic stakes was Sammy Parkin, who I may add was no surprise at all! In fact I think Super Sam' maybe a little put out by the fact that Matty pipped him, I think hell be disappointed that he let his guard down and let Matty creep through. For those of you who are not familiar with the Parkin charm, he is a typical cockney with plenty of patter and invests in more than his fair share of topical wit, an entertaining date I'm sure?! I think he'd be disappointed if people thought that he hadn't made the effort for his lady, who I may add has him eating out of her hand!! He didn't disappoint though, he whisked her away for a romantic couple of days of intense loving in a popular Wiltshire haunt. Sorry girls, don't mean to rub it in

but Parkinhio is firmly off the market. Finally on the Valentines front, not many cards were received by the players. But big Matty Heywood and myself relay our thanks to the anonymous ladies who took the time out to send us one. Thank you ladies!!!

As I'm sure you are all aware by now Sammy had a bit of a mishap with a bottle of bleach and some red paint. His hair has now taken on a variety of shades (the one he is most proud of is pink!) however in continuing the red theme Sammy has invested in his own pair of red boots (what a fashion guru) so be ready to witness those on Saturday.

As I'm sure you are all aware 'Turbo' had the extreme misfortune a couple of weeks ago of fracturing his leg. A real blow to Robbo and the whole squad! However 'Turbo' is at present making the best of a bad situation but continuing his recovery in Spain. Now you'd think that he'd feel sorry for leaving us all slogging away, but no, on the contrary, Robbo has been sending us regular updates through the power of his picture phone, remember the Vodaphone advert with Becks and the Nevilles? Cheers Robbo!



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FRIDAY 12TH MARCH -CONFERENCING OPEN DAY

A quarterly event, this will give companies or private individuals the chance to go behind the scenes and see what conference or private hire facilities we can offer here at The County Ground

THURSDAY 18TH MARCH -RACE NIGHT

A race night in the Winners Lounge, there is still an opportunity to buy tickets for this event. Tickets are priced at £5 a head that includes a basket meal. If you would like to purchase a horse at £5, then your entry fee to the event will be covered within the price.

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Mark, who is known as 'Morris'



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because he's the leader of the group wants to fulfil his lifetime's ambition of dancing to the music of Swan Lake before he is fifty. With only three years to go before that date is due, Mark has promised to buy everyone in the Sponsors Lounge a drink before today's game. His guests today are Mark Bowler (Duke of Banbury), John Bowler (The Undertaker), Mark Edwards (Eddy Red Kite), Glyn Cooper (The Judge), Mark Cooper (The Kid), David Rogers (Podge), Jerry May (Z Row), Mark Ralph (The Blender). New Recruits: Bobert Ralph, Simon Barrett (Billy).

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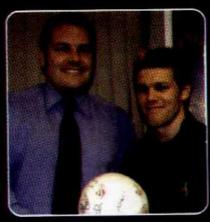
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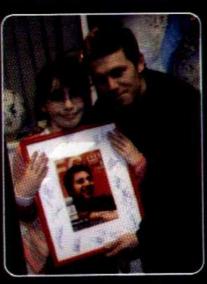
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THE ROBINS . THE ROBINS

With our local derby with Bristol City now just a matter of weeks away, all of the upstairs Matchday Hospitality Executive Lounges have now sold out for the game. This is the first time that this happened for over three years. However, there are still some Matchday Hospitality available for this popular game in the Cecil Green Lounge. These packages are bound to be popular and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. The price includes all of the following benefits:

- Welcome drink on arrival
- . Tour of the ground
- Three course luncheon
- . Main Stand ticket for the game
- · Half time tea/coffee and biscuits
- Matchday programme
 After match buffet
- . Full time tea/coffee
- · Par bar facility

THE PRICE PER HEAD IS E75 PLUS VAT.

These packages are bound to prove very popular and anyone wishing to book their places should contact Stephen Mytton on 81793 333718 immiediately. Payment will be taken by credit card at the time of booking, so do remember to have this with you when you contact Stephen to book up.

SEASON TICKET HOLDERS PRIZE DRAW

Following a recent draw held in the club's ticket office, the following Season Ticket Holders have won a V.L.P. Day out for Two in the Season Ticket holders prize draw. The names of the lucky winners are:

1.A01373 Mr.Fred Large, Ferndale Road, Swindon.

2 A00955 Mr.M Townsend, Malmesbury Road, Langley Burrell, Chippenham

3.A00497 Mrs Fiona Fairways, Broad Lane, Seend

4.A001199 Mrs.B Fawcett, Severn Avenue, Swindon

5.1 00063 Mr.D Middleton, Westminster Road, Toothill, Swindon

6.C00085 Mrs K Fraser, Sywell Road, Swindon

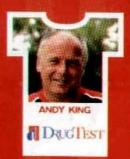
7.A01087 Mr R Owen, Fresian Close, Shaw, Swindon

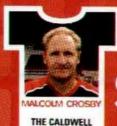
8.1 80127 Miss K.Lux, Forest Road, Melksham

9.1 00195 Mr. John Wilcox, Cyprus Terrace, Devizes

10.A00227 Mr James Lethem, Spring Meadows, Great Shefford, Hungerford

These lucky winners will be guests of the Club at our forthcoming home game v Barnsley on Saturday 27th March.

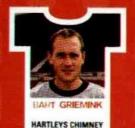




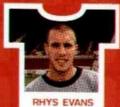
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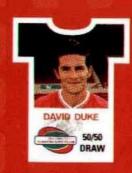
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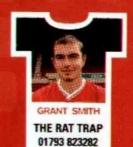
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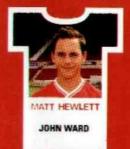
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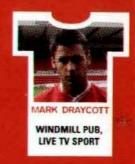


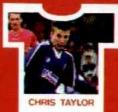








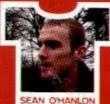




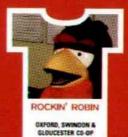


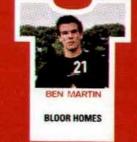


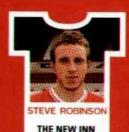
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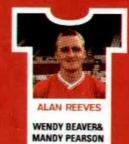


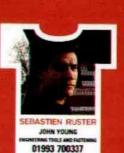


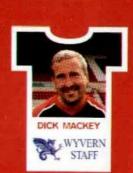
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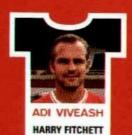


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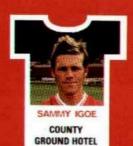


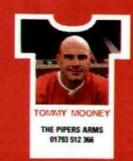


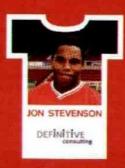


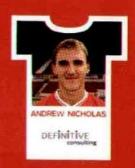


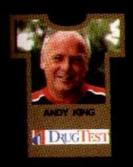
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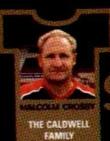






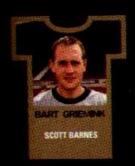


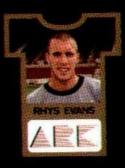


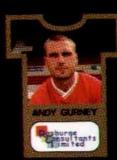


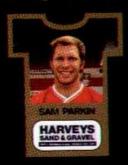
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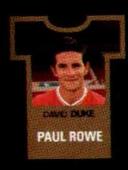


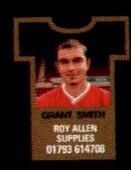


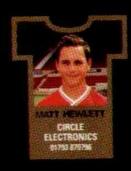


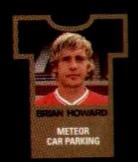




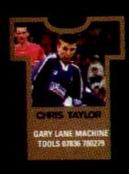


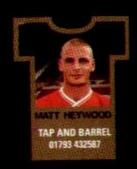


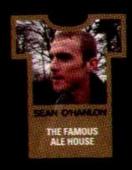


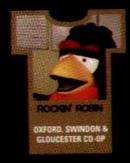


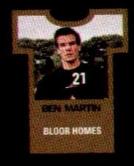


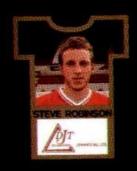




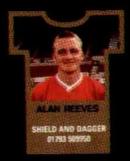


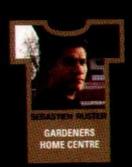


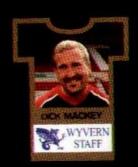




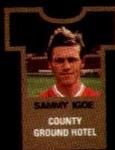


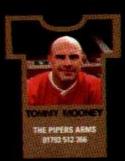


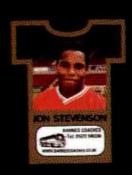


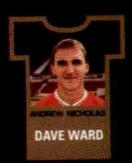






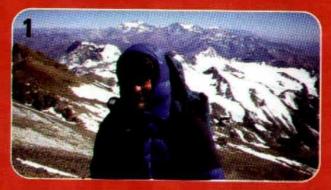






RED ARMY!

"AT THE HEART OF EVERY FOOTBALL CLUB ARE THE FANS. SEASON AFTER SEASON, RAIN OR SHINE THESE FAITHFUL FOLK MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE TO THE COUNTY GROUND IN THE QUEST FOR GLORY. STFC SPORTS REPORTER SIMON COY MEETS THE PEOPLE WITH TOWN IN THEIR BLOOD".



JOLLY ROGER

Pictured here is Roger Smith, while most Town fans were enjoying Christmas and the New Year (and all those wins) Roger was spending 21 days in Argentina climbing Mt Aconcagua (22,860 ft) and raising money for Naomi House Children's Hospice in Winchester.

QUIZTIME - 25 YEARS AGO

Test your knowledge against our resident 'Stato', Dave Wallis. Answers can be found at the bottom of the page.

- 1) On 7th February 1979, England won a European Championship qualifier against Northern Ireland by four goals to nil. Opening the scoring was a future England manager. Who....?
- 2)while scoring twice was an Everton striker who the previous season had hit 30 goals in the First Division. His name?
- 3) The night before, England's U21 team had beaten Wales by 1-0. The goal scorer later managed Swindon. Who was he?
- 4) On 9th February, which player moved to Nottingham Forest for a record £975,000, which when VAT was added took the total over £1m?
- 5) On 10th, which current member of the Town's staff scored a hat-trick in a 4-1 win against Bristol City in Division One?

A1 Kevin Keegan A2 Bob Latchford A3 Glenn Hoddle A4 Trevor Francis A5 Andy King



SWINDON TOWN

FOCUS ON A FAN

NAME: Mark Ralph

AGE: 31

OCCUPATION: Freelance Traffic Signals Engineer (yawn)

LIVES: Stoke Gifford, Bristol

WHEN DID YOU FIRST COME TO SEE SWINDON TOWN: I've always supported Town, but my first 'live' game was when I moved to Poole. I was 15 and saw Town play Bournemouth at Dean Court. My schoolmate got me in free. While he served food, I watched in the home end. When Town scored I had to keep frustratingly quiet. When Bournemouth scored (more than us on that day) I had to pretend to be happy!

BEST STFC MEMORY: I was a poor smelly student in Plymouth the day Town got to Wembley. I couldn't afford to get to the game, so I watched with my family and friends in a hotel on The Hoe. The game was so intense, that a wedding reception stopped to join us in the bar and cheer Town on!! More recently the Leeds game this season was a cracker for atmosphere and entertainment.

HOPES FOR THIS SEASON: To get automatic promotion, or get promoted by beating Bristol City at Cardiff by at least 10 nil !!!

YOUR LONG TERM HOPES FOR THE CLUB: That Town stay financially in good shape to push up the leagues, and we get a bigger loyal fan base, with fans more involved at decision level. A big new stadium too may bring more companies to invest in us.

IF MONEY WERE NO OBJECT WHO WOULD YOU WANT TO SEE PLAYING FOR SWINDON: Obviously David Beckham would be good for our midfields confidence, he would definitely give the strikers a good goal scoring opportunity too.

YOUR MESSAGE TO THE FANS: Let's all sing our hearts out for the lads for the rest of the season, not just the Town Enders. Keep the noise up. (Especially us in the South Stand)!

YOUR MESSAGE TO THE PLAYERS: Keep the passion you have for this club going, and we'll get places. Us fans are fickle, but if we see you trying for the club we'll always support you.

THE DAYS!

FC: MAGAZINE INVITES SWINDON FANS YOUNG AND OLD TO REMEMBER THE GOOD OLD DAYS AND NAME THEIR FAVOURITE XI.



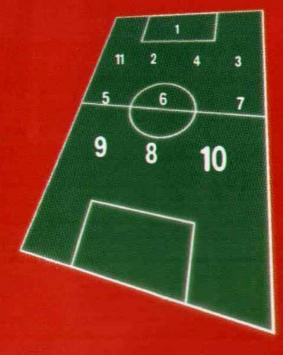
NAME: Patrick Fagan

QUALIFICATIONS: Patrick, 21, has been following Swindon for 12 years having been introduced to the action at the County Ground by his father and grandfather. He has been attending matches regularly both home and away since the clubs season in the Premiership and watches from the Town End.

He has fond memories of the Wembley play-off final against Leicester but more recently feels the game at Leeds United was one of the best he has seen. Patrick believes the club has a realistic chance of making the play-offs this season and is looking forward to a day out at Cardiff in May.

His family is originally from Ireland and he is proud to have converted a number of his young relatives into Town followers from the other side of the Irish Sea.

- FRASER DIGBY: A consistent goalkeeper over 12
 years and a real Town hero. He was brilliant on one on
 ones and also made fantastic saves. Glad to see Fraser
 back at the club.
- COLIN CALDERWOOD: What can you say? A strong, quick and very reliable central defender. Won 36 caps for Scotland and it was a shame when Colin left the County Ground.
- PAUL BODIN: Another superb defender who was great with the overlapping run. He excited the fans and was a brilliant penalty taker.
- 4. SHAUN TAYLOR: Has to be my favourite Town player of all time. Shaun was the heart and soul of the defence and had a wonderful header on him. He was a very strong and wise defender. "Ooh Shaun Taylor".



- 5. GLENN HODDLE: Glenn was a superb playermanager. A master tactician. His skills were something different and he was a great passer of the ball.
- JOHN MONCUR: John was a very creative midfielder who also excited the fans. He played out of his skin at Wembley against Leicester.
- 7. KEVIN HORLOCK: An excellent young midfielder who had a cracking shot on him. He wasn't afraid to shoot from anywhere. He had a wise head and it was a shame he was sold to Manchester City at such a young age.
- 8. GEORGE NDAH: This guy was a great goal scoring machine at the County Ground. He also had great pace and skill. Wolves got a Brucey bargain when they got George for £1 million.
- 9. DAVE MITCHELL: He was one of the first players I saw play at the County Ground. Dave also had a great eye for the ball and held it up well. He must be a Swindon legend.
- 10. CRAIG MASKELL: He had a great partnership with Dave Mitchell and also had a great eye for goal. His hold up play was magnificent. His set up play for the first goal at Wembley was second to none and the goal he scored later on in the game was well taken. I would have liked to see Craig play longer for Swindon.
- 11. TY GOODEN: Ty was a good midfielder who could also play in defence. He wasn't scared to take players on and he had a powerful shot. He had a dig from any position. Unfortunately Ty had to retire through injury. A loss of a great talent.

SUBS: Rhys Evans, Nicky Summerbee, Stefani Miglioranzi, Jimmy Davis, Mark Walters

Mark Bowler BLACKPOOL REDS





"WE DO LIKE TO BE BESIDE
THE SEASIDE" - EVEN IN
JANUARY AND ESPECIALLY
WHEN TOWN VISIT
BLOOMFIELD ROAD. OVER
600 DEDICATED SWINDON
FANS MADE THE TRIP AND
FOR ONE GROUP IT WAS
THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE
SEASON SO FAR. LOYAL FAN
MARK BOWLER (AKA THE
DUKE OF BANBURY) TAKES
UP THE STORY.

When the fixtures were released last year it was obvious that the first game to be found by the eager fingertip was the away fixture at Blackpool.

A midweek trip must be avoided at all costs so when the computer stated that the away game at Blackpool was scheduled for Saturday 31st January it was met with mixed reactions from the gang. Firstly Brother John, 'The Undertaker was already predicting a postponement way back in August but the two Mark's, Bristol Mark and Didcot Mark alias "The Blender" and "Eddy Red Kite" appeared to be very happy as they could escape a weekend away from the wives. A jolly boys outing to the seaside was already firmly on the cards.

What made it even more appealing was that Neil, "Blackpool Red" was an hotelier in Blackpool and had already promised an "open weekend" to all Swindon Supporters wishing to make the trip to Blackpool this season. His only concern was a potential clash with the Lancashire Pigeon Fanciers Club Annual outing but luckily for our feathered friends

this was arranged the week before. I have known "Blackpool Red" since our school days and one thing that has not changed though is his liking for a beer or two so the weekend away for the boys looked a very attractive event to place in the diary.

Having not missed a game this season along with the "Undertaker" this was going to be an away game with a difference, a stop over and a chance to talk football and share the delights of the nightlife of Blackpool. With the travel arrangements already planned during the week before the game it was decided that four cars would make the trip. The weather was bad and getting worse. A handful of games had already been called off when "The Undertaker" predicted that the game was going to be called off and pointed out to "Eddy Red Kite" and myself that we still needed 7 points to escape relegation!! The glass is half full dear boy and not half empty.

At noon we had arrived after a quick phone call providing directions we made our way towards the Blackpool Tower and found the road to the hotel. The hotel was easy to find as a huge STFC flag covered the window.

Jerry "Z-Row" then appeared after escaping from the family and it was not long until "Dark horse," "The Judge," "The Kid," and "The Blender" had all booked in and were sharing a much welcomed beer with "Blackpool Red," his Brother and the rest of the Nationwide Block 6 gang. After a while more Swindon fans were introducing themselves along with other well-known faces including Roger Bunce the new lottery co-ordinator. A hotel full of Swindon

Supporters - what more could you ask for with a constant supply of beer.

As we left the hotel the heavens were still open and the rain was still coming thick and fast. What made it more unbearable was the fact that the away end was a make shift stand in the middle of a building site with no roof and we were certainly not appropriately dressed. Who cares when you're having fun?

The game was played in difficult conditions and we all remained confident at half time that we could still dig out a result despite being a goal down. During the second half the 600 Town fans began to get behind the team and were rewarded when Sam Parkin rose above defenders and seagulfs alike to power in a header in the far corner.

Unfortunately the lead did not last long when a long shot slipped through Rhys Evans grasp and we were 2-1 down. Still never mind it's only a game I thought as rain started to run down my back. Then hope as the referee spotted a blatant foul on Igoe and the Blackpool central defender was shown the Red card. "Come on Lads" we can do it with 15 minutes left on the clock.

Igoe was starting to look dangerous despite the home fans jeering every time he was on the ball and with the addition of Howard we were out for the point and it was not long before it followed. Howard's cross just evaded Mooney's lunge but the resulting connection found Gurney who blasted home from 5 yards. Great scenes followed as Gurns ran to the travelling Red army and dived head first towards

the ecstatic following. The celebration mixed with the beer and the now drenched clothes brought that feeling of what Saturdays are all about.

With the whistle blown and another game undefeated it was time to head back to the hotel to dry off and to lubricate the vocal chords once again. We would have all settled for a 2-2 draw before a ball was kicked so an evening out in Blackpool could now be enjoyed.

On the way back to the hotel I was met with a fiery response from a very old lady who branded the referee a cheat and words that cannot be written about poor Sammy Igoe. I thought that Blackpool was meant to be a friendly holiday resort.

After changing into something dry and a much welcomed shower it was now down to "Blackpool Red" to take us on a guided tour of Blackpool and what better place to start than an Indian Restaurant to warm up the body temperature with a hot curry.

After a few more bars and laughter all the way we ended up at the final destination and shared the rest of the evening with a hen weekend from Penrith and a girls outing from Manchester, all above board for us married men of course.

Soon it was time to head back to the hotel to talk more football and to finish off the great weekend with a night-cap. A further rendezvous at the breakfast table was the final chapter on what turned out to be a most enjoyable weekend.

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Mike & Olive Spearman	1.00
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The Brown Family	0.50
Andrew Butler Butchers	0.50
Adrian & Doug Smith	1.00
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SWINDON TOWN SUPPORTERS CLUB

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

"AWAY TRAVEL" SPONSORED HALF-TIME DRAW

Winner of the draw for the Rushden game was Shaun Lamble, a staunch Town fan who won £432 with ticket number 28. Shaun is one of the fans who enters the draw by a regular subscription, which can be made quarterly or annually. If you cannot get to the County Ground for every home game, or arrive after 2.45pm and miss our ticket sellers, then, why not consider arranging this type of subscription for yourself.

Full details can be found on our website or have a word with a ticket seller on a match day, or ring Roger Bunce who can be contacted at the football club.

POUNDS FOR POINTS SPONSORSHIP

The cracking start the team have shown to 2004 has already added another £1,000 to the fund for the centre of excellence. All proceeds from this sponsorship is being given to the Centre. With the recent progress by the youth team into the Quarter-Finals of the FA Youth Cup, it proves that developing home grown talent, is both possible and necessary, for the well being of the football club.

It is not too late to join the scheme, which you can do for the rest of the season or, as recently, a fan joined and presented us immediately with a cheque going back to the start of the season. All it costs is just 50p per point individually, or in a group, to get your name on our roll of honour.

AWAY TRAVEL

Our recent form has launched us right into the promotion shake up. Our next two away games will have a major impact on the top of the table and are not to be missed by Town fans.

Why not join the ever-growing band of away travellers and travel in comfort with the away travel group. Supporters club members receive discounted away travel cost and with a £2 discount applying to each of these trips, you can almost recoup the supporters club membership cost of £5 if you join straightaway and go to these games. Don't forget it is likely that there will be other games you will not want to miss between now and the end of season.

Port Vale: Departs County Ground at 10.00am.

Fare before discount Adults £14 Under 15's £12

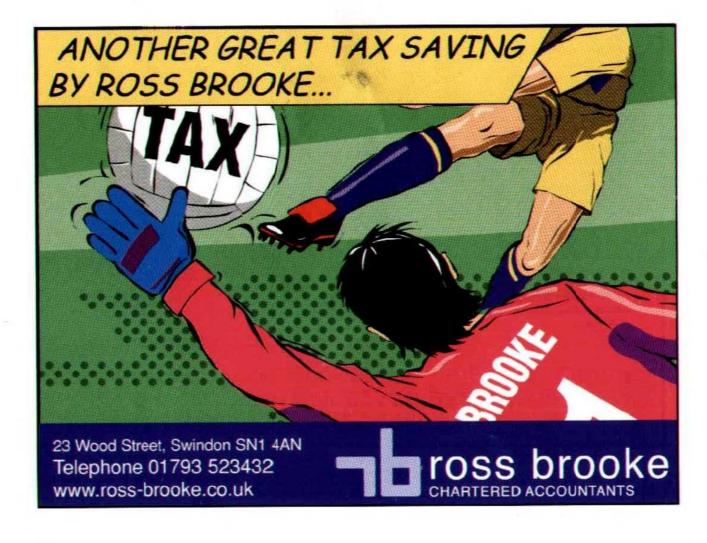
Plymouth: Departs County Ground at 9.30am.

Fare before discount Adults £16 Under 15's £ 14

Alternative pick up points are also available on request.

Visit us on our web site at :- stfc.ndo.co.uk/supp club.





STFC LADIES

THE TOWN LADIES HAVE NOT HAD A SOUTH WEST COMBINATION LEAGUE FIXTURE FOR THREE WEEKS BUT HAVE STILL KEPT FIFTH SPOT.



The Town's home game against Reading Royals fell victim to the weather as did most games that week end and then the Town were without fixtures for the next two Sundays.

The Town Reserves have been in action and have won one, drawn one and lost one in the Wiltshire County League. The Town drew with local rivals Swindon Spitfires, sharing eight goals. Laura Morgan bagged two, Melissa Sartain scored one and Laura Allsop scored an equaliser from the penalty spot. The Town then visited Keysham Town Reserves and lost out in an interesting game by three goals to two. Jenny Webster got both of the Town's goals. Last Sunday the Town entertained Brize Norton and won by four goals to one. Central defender Sharon Black, playing in her ninth season for the Town, opened the Town's account with her first ever goal. Mellissa Sartain scored two and Sam Quinn took the Town's tally to four. There are only six teams in the Wiltshire County League so the Town face each side twice at home and twice away.

The Under 14 side play in the Surrey Primary League and are top with an unbeaten record with four games to play, although they are all away. There are five teams in the league; Southampton A & B, Reading and

Portsmouth and each side play each other three times. The Town side are also playing in an older group competition, the Under fifteen Surrey Primary League Cup and are drawn away to Rushmoor at Aldershot.

Tomorrow the Town restart their South West Combination League programme with a trip to face Plymouth Argyle. The Town Reserves are away and play Swindon Spitfires again for the fourth and final time this season, in the Wiltshire County League.

ROGER REEVES

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FIXTURES 2003/04

17-Aug	CLEVEDON TOWN	Home	3-1
31-Aug	CHESHAM UNITED	Home	2-5
7-Sep	EXETER CITY	Away	2-1
14-Sep	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	Home	1-2
21-Sep	CHESHAM UNITED	Away	0-3
28-Sep	YEOVIL TOWN	Home	2-0
5-Oct	CARDIFF CITY	Away	2-8
12-Oct	READING ROYALS	Home	3-1
19-Oct	CLEVEDON TOWN	Away	3-3
26-Oct	PLYMOUTH O. V. FA CUP-1	Away	6-7
2-Nov	READING ROYALS	Away	1-7
9-Nov	EXETER CITY	Home	4-0
16-Nov	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	Home	4-4
30-Nov	OXFORD	Away	1-9
14-Dec	CARDIFF CITY	Home	0-4
11-Jan	READING	Away	1-1
18-Jan	OXFORD	Home	1-3
25-Jan	YEOVIL TOWN	Away	3-2
1-Feb	READING ROYALS	Home	Pos
22-Feb	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	Away	
14-Mar	NEWTON ABBOT	Away	
21-Mar	NEWTON ABBOT	Home	
28-Mar	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	Home	

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AGE: 14 HOME TOWN: SWINDON **OCCUPATION: STUDENT** POSITION: DEFENDER PREVIOUS CLUBS: NONE HONOURS: WILTSHIRE COUNTY YOUTH TEAM WHO DO YOU MOST ADMIRE? **RIO FERDINAND FAVOURITE CLUB? MANCHESTER UTD FAVOURITE PLAYER? RUUD VAN NISTELROOY FAVOURITE TELEVISION PROGRAMME? THE PREMIERSHIP** WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO SIT NEXT TO ON A PLANE? SIR ALEX FERGUSON



TABLE 2003/04

18-Apr CLEVEDON TOWN LCUP

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READING ROYALS	14	13	0	1	91	13	39
CARDIFF CITY	13	13	0	0	69	7	39
CHESHAM UNITED	13	7	2	4	32	27	23
OXFORD	12	6	2	4	50	35	20
SWINDON TOWN	15	5	3	7	29	49	18
CLEVEDON TOWN	14	5	2	7	22	32	17
READING	13	4	3	6	21	41	15
FOREST GREEN ROVERS	12	4	2	6	39	43	14
NEWTON ABBOT	12	4	2	6	23	43	14
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	14	3	2	9	19	40	11
EXETER CITY	13	3	0	10	17	50	9
YEOVIL TOWN	11	0	3	8	10	43	3

MICHAEL'S WORKWEAR

56 CRICKLADE ROAD, GORSE HILL, SWINDON, WILTSHIRE SN2 8AF











COMMUNITY



WE EXTEND A WARM
WELCOME TODAY TO OUR
SATURDAY TEAM CLUB
VISITORS WHO HAVE JOINED
US FOR TODAY'S FIXTURE AT
HOME TO CHESTERFIELD.

We have lan Ferguson and his group from Wroughton Junior Football Club, Mark Strickland with Clarendon & Tidworth Garrison FC Colts and Mr Arlett who is here with his Portan U9's. A big thank you to the three named gentlemen for supporting our successful Saturday Team Club package.

This week has seen us coach just under 200 up and coming stars, here at Swindon Town Football Club. We have had a fantastic week and everybody went away more than happy with their Swindon Town goody bags and a Mitre Azure Football each. And yesterday we finished a great week by running the Fraser Digby goalkeeping Clinic where we had 30 future Rhys Evans' being put through their paces by Fraser and his team of dedicated coaches.

You may have read in recent editions and in The Evening Advertiser that we ran our local annual six a side primary school competition, with the eventual winners being St. Andrews from Blunsdon. They duly went on to represent us as Swindon Town FC at

the regional Kelloggs Frosties Cup competition at Bristol Rovers Training Ground. The youngsters, along with their manager, Colin Roper, faced touch opposition within their group and the boys did well to win three of their six games. Unfortunately it wasn't enough to take them through to the final stages but the boys did extremely well and represented us and their school with great pride. We here at the Football Club have been asked to stage the South of England Finals of the Kelloggs Frosties Cup on The County Ground pitch on Thursday 11th March at midday. The four teams contesting for a place in the Grand Final are Luton Town, Oxford United, Tottenham Hotspur and Wycombe Wanderers. It should be a highly competitive two hours of football, and if you would like to come along and watch, admission will be free.

Tomorrow, we have a very special event for our young Ability Counts group who are entering their first competition to be staged at Bristol, in their Under 11's age group. It is a 7-a-side competition and the boys, as well as their parents, are very excited ahead of this prestigious event. We will give you a full update on their progress at the next home game.

Enjoy the game.

Jon and Clive.









JUNIOR ROBINS TRAVEL TO VILLA PARK AND CADBURY'S WORLD

BY ROBERT HARLAND

WHEN WE ARRIVED AT THE **COUNTY GROUND THE BUS** WAS ALL READY THERE. AS WE ALL PILED ONTO THE BUS YOU COULD FEEL THE EXCITEMENT, EVERYONE LOOKING FORWARD TO A GOOD DAY OUT. WE HAD A VERY FRIENDLY BUS DRIVER. WHO IN A PECULIAR WAY MADE THE BUS JOURNEY GOOD FUN FOR EVERYONE, HIS NAME WAS BARRY, HE HAD EVEN BROUGHT A VERY **GOOD VIDEO FOR PEOPLE TO** WATCH "JONNY ENGLISH".

After 2-hours of driving, apart from one pit stop at the services, we made it to Villa Park. My first impression was how much bigger Villa Park was compared to the County Ground. We entered Villa Park at their north stand where an elderly man, who was our tour guide, greeted us. As we made our way down the players entrance, he told us that we could look at all the pictures on the walls, but he said "don't look at all of them because there are over 5000 pictures, so you would be here all day". In main reception was a model of Villa Park from 1962, he also told us that the best Attendance ever was when Aston Villa played Derby County, the attendance was 76,588. That is almost 7 times bigger than Swindon Towns capacity.

Villa Park can hold up to 42,000 people, Aston Villa football club was first formed in 1874, it originated from Cricket. We were then told about the improvements that they were intending on doing to the ground, they hope to make it a 55,000 seater very soon. We were then taken to the changing rooms, the home changing room has a built in Jacuzzi, 4 showers and 2 baths, I think they're quite spoilt. The Villa players also have they're

own Lucozade chiller, where they can get a drink whenever they want one.

Finally we were taken out onto the pitch, the tour guide told us how the Holte stand was named that because the Holte family owned the ground that it was built on. He also told us if it started to rain the pitch could be covered over in 10 minutes by a sheet which rolls out from one side of the pitch.

We were then taken inside for our meal, for the children it was either Hamburger/Chicken Nuggets, chips and baked beans. For the adults it was Chicken breast/Salmon Steak, which was served with seasoned vegetables and potatoes. Desert was ice cream for the children and lemon sponge and custard for the adults.

The final thing we did after that was to go to the club shop, which sold nearly everything you can think of, a chance for everyone to buy souvenirs.

It was then time for the second part of our trip, so everyone was back on the coach for the journey to Cadbury World. This took us about an hour. When we arrived Alice Wills, the Junior Robins Co-ordinator, went off to get the entrance tickets. Everyone was buzzing with excitement, we could not wait to get in, Alice got us to queue up and within 10 minutes we were all inside.

The journey through Cadbury World took us from finding the coca bean in the 19th Century to the present day. It showed us the processes that the cocoa been goes through to become what we know as chocolate. As carried on through Cadbury World, we came to a viewing room .A warning saying, "if you are not good with sudden movements please vacate this room", was on the wall. As the



showing began there was a short sharp burst of air, which frightened a few people, then the chairs started rocking back and fourth. The man on the screen then mentioned something about heat; some red lights came on around the room, which surprisingly made it feel a lot warmer than it was.

We then moved on to the next station where we got 2 free chocolate bars. We had to watch a presentation for about 5 minutes but were then on our way to the tasting part of the trip, (This was the best bit). We were given a little cup of chocolate and just after that there was a dunk your own fudge in chocolate that was so good that myself and Alice went round for a second one.

We then got taken in a car on rails around the Cocoa Beans village, which was quite funny. They take your photograph while you are on the ride, this raised a smile from everyone. The final bit to Cadburys World was of course a trip to the shop, where everyone could by as much chocolate as they wanted.

After the shop we still had about an hour to wait until the bus came to pick us up. The younger members went to the play park which they had plenty to do. The bus arrived to take us home, all the children were tired from running around so most of them fell asleep, as well as most of the adults, we made one final service stop, then the last hour was back to Swindon.

We arrived back at the County Ground at 6:45pm after a long and fun filled day. Everyone was grateful to Alice for arranging everything (She's very good at this) So what we all want to know now is, when and where will be the next Junior Robins trip

Over to you Alice.







GOOD AFTERNOON AND A WARM WELCOME TO ALL THE JUNIOR ROBINS HERE TODAY. I HOPE YOU HAVE ALL ENJOYED HALF TERM AND HAVE BEEN PLAYING LOTS OF FOOTBALL.

We have availability for mascots for the following games are:

Wednesday 3rd March Tranmere Rovers 7.45pm

Saturday 6th March Brentford 3.00pm

Wednesday 17th March Grimsby 7.45pm

For more information please contact me on the details below.

The Club Shop entertained lots of Junior Robins during Half Term, they

were given the chance to meet Sammy Igoe and Brian Howard on Tuesday and Rory Fallon and Jon Stevenson on Thursday.

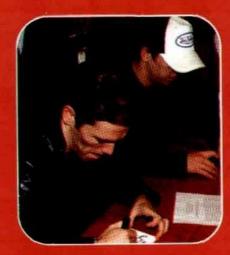
The children were quite confused on what colour Sammy's hair was supposed to be and I think each child came up with a different colour.

They all signed a number of photos, autograph books and shirts. Brian and Sammy had their photos taken so many times that Sammy finally learnt to keep his eyes open and the jokes about their height finally wore off by the final picture.

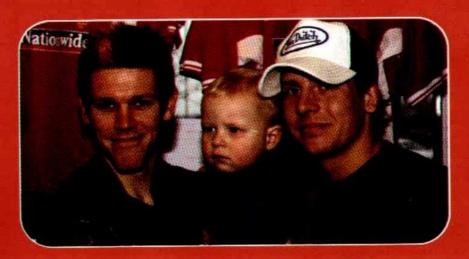
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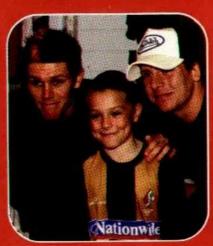
Alice Wills Junior Robins and Schools Project Manager

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JUNIOR ROBINS

TRIP TO STOCKPORT COUNTY

THE JUNIOR ROBINS WENT TO STOCKPORT COUNTY ON SATURDAY 14TH FEBRUARY AND GEORGE & BRENDA HAVE A WRITTEN:

Our trip to Stockport was a great success. On the way we had four raffle prizes and watched a video, which one of the Juniors brought along of our game against Man Utd at The County Ground when the result was 2-2 in the Premiership.

We also had a draw for our mascots who were Chris Gallavin and little Megan Edmunds who's birthday it was a few days before. After a breakfast stop, we arrived at Stockport, we were met at a leisure centre for our Junior games of football, which was played outside on all weather pitches. Fortunately the weather stayed fine and everyone enjoyed the games, showing their skills against the Stockport Juniors.

I've been told numerous different results so I'm not saying anything (I think Swindon won though)!

Everyone enjoyed the excellent facilities in the club room including watching the Manchester derby cup-tie on TV. Stockport did a free raffle of which some of the Juniors (I hear you won too Brenda) were fortunate to win prizes.

Everyone would like to thank Brenda of Stockport and her band of helpers who were perfect hosts providing us with excellent buffet lunch as always. After a heart in the mouth match we were on our way home but before we left Stockport a police man came on the coach to tell us he had to search it, this was because Stockport had lost three points! Finally arrived at The County Ground about 9.00pm still singing about the playoffs and the first 20 minutes of the game!

COME ON YOU REDS!!!!!!!!!









Our next reciprocal visit is to Plymouth Argyle on Saturday 13th March, if you would like to come and haven't already booked on the coach, please fill in this form with a cheque payable to Swindon Town Football Club.

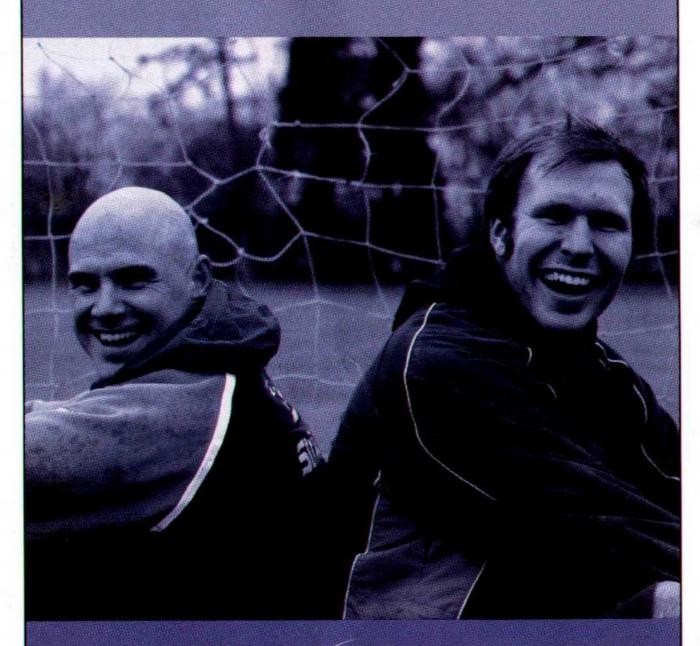
We are leaving at 8.00am sharp and we will have a coaching session and lunch, then taken our seats to watch the game.

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PRICES ARE £15 FOR A JUNIOR ROBIN
AND £25 FOR AN ADULT
Junior Robins are allowed to bring one adult

THE PERFECT COMBINATION.









SEAN O'HANLON



SINCE JOINING TOWN ON A MONTH'S LOAN FROM EVERTON, SEAN O'HANLON HAS MADE A BIG IMPRESSION. HOWEVER IT HAS NOT BEEN JUST ON THE FIELD THAT THE YOUNGSTER HAS IMPRESSED.

He recently accompanied Andy Nicholas to the STFC Study Centre where 20 pupils from Commonweal School, who attend after school study support at the Study Centre, had an opportunity to meet and interview the defensive duo.

Below are extracts from the reports that the pupils wrote based on their interviews.

Sean was born in Liverpool on the 2nd of January. His dad, who used to play for Liverpool Youth team, encouraged him to play football at an early age. In his free time he plays snooker and golf. He drives a Lexus and doesn't have a girl friend.

By Charlotte

He has played at Wembley. His favourite goal ever scored is when he was 14 for Everton youth team scored from 30 yards. The most important game ever was in youth team and he played in the England European championships. He gets nervous before matches. When he was in Everton youth team he played against Arsenal and won.

By Sarina

His favourite player is Ronaldo and his favourite team is Everton. His idol is David Beckham and the most famous person he has ever met is Gazza.

By Charlie

His favourite team friend is Luke Chadwick. The thing he likes about Luke is that he's the same age as him. He drives a Lexus and did not pass his first test he actually passed on his second test. His favourite type of music is R&B.

By Jordan

Sean O'Hanlon is on loan from Everton Football Club but now plays for we lot come Swindon. After the meeting with him it said in the paper that he might transfer to Swindon, as Everton are willing to give him a free transfer. There was a picture of him in the Evening Advertiser as he played in the match last Saturday. Sean trains every day for about two hours, before a match he eats a special pre-match breakfast meal, which includes Special K cereal.

By Conrad

His favourite music is R&B, and his favourite team when he was younger was Liverpool FC. Sean's favourite holiday destination is Florida in America, and his favourite football player is Ronaldo.

By Chris

To find out more about the STFC Study Support Centres, then please call Study Centre Manager Martin Turnbull on 01793 333752.





TOWN STATISTICS 2003/04

JENNY, HOPE YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL JOURNEY ROUND THE WORLD. WEAR THE SHIRT WITH PRIDE. ALL OUR LOVE MUM, DAD, LAURA, LILLY. (PITY YOU MISS THE PLAY-OFFS!).

STFC FACT FILE

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

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Wed 13 Aug	Southend United LC1	7.45	Away	3-2	3,385	199
Fri 15 Aug	Colchester United	7.45	Away	1-0	3,339	518
Sat 23 Aug	Notts County	3.00	Home	4-0	5,758	206
Mon 25 Aug	AFC Bournemouth	3.00	Away	2-2	6,606	1,400
Sat 30 Aug	Blackpool	3.00.	Home	2-2	6,219	349
Sat 6 Sept	Brighton & H.A.	3.00	Away	2-2	6,534	560
Sat 13 Sept	Wrexham	3.00	Home	1-0	5,160	302
Tues 16 Sept	Grimsby Town	7.45	Away	2-1	3,535	200
Sat 20 Sept	Barnsley	3.00	Away	1-1	9,006	349
Wed 24 Sept	Leeds United LC2	7.45	Away	2-2:3-	teet 29,211	2,541
Sat 27 Sept	Peterborough United	3.00	Home	2-0	6,757	206
Wed 1 Oct	Luton Town	7.45	Home	2-2	7,595	408
Sat 4 Oct	Bristol City	3.00	Away	1-2	14,294	2,684
Sat 11 Oct	Stockport County	3.00	Home	1-2	7,086	201
Wed 15 Oct	Boston United (LDV)	7.45	Away	1-2	1,514	145
Sat 18 Oct	Chesterfield	3.00	Away	0-3	3,506	423
Tues 21 Oct	Tranmere Rovers	7.45	Away	0-1	6,675	159
Sat 25 Oct	Port Vale	3.00	Home	0-0	5,313	316
Sat 1 Nov	Wycombe Wanderers	3.00	Home	2-0	5,681	428
Sat 8 Nov	Wycombe Wanderers (A Cap)	3.00	Away	1-4	4,386	1,127
Sat 15 Nov	Oldham Athletic	3.00		1-0	5,282	350
Sat 22 Nov	Queens Park Rangers	3.00	Home	1-1	10,021	2,807
Sat 29 Nov	Hartlepool United	3.00		0-2	4,493	358
Sat 13 Dec	Plymouth Argyle	3.00	Home	2-3	9,374	2.364
Sat 20 Dec	Brentford	3.00		2-0	5,077	792
Fri 26 Dec	Rushden & Diamonds	3.00	10000000	0-2	4,845	1,089
Sun 28 Dec	Brighton & H.A.	3.00	Home		9,269	1,733
Sat 3 Jan	AFC Bournemouth	3.00			7,158	941
Sat 10 Jan	Sheffield Wednesday	3.00			22,751	1,084
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Sat 10 April	Bristol City	3.00				
Mon 12 April		3.00				
Sat 17 April	Wycombe Wanderers	3.00	La La Carte			
Sat 24 April	Oldham Athletic	3.00				
Sat 1 May	Queens Park Rangers	3.00	-			
Sat 8 May	Hartlepool United	3.00	Home			

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TODAY'S MASCOTS



RYAN LIQUORISH

11-year old Ryan Liquorish joins us today from King Alfred's School, Wantage. His hobbies are football, judo and swimming, with his favourite player being Sam Parkin.



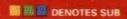
LIAM PEARCE

Liam, 7, attends St. Peters School Devizes and his hobbies are football, playstation and watching television. His favourite player is Stefani Miglioranzi, with his hero being Fraser Digby, from whom he takes his second name.





FRONT COVER: **ALAN REEVES** PHOTOGRAPHY: **CHRIS ADAMS**



















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GEORGE THORNE

Six-year old Haydon Leigh pupil George comes from Haydon Wick and his favourite players are Sammy Parkin, Tommy Mooney and Sammy Igoe. His hobbies are swimming, riding his bike and playing football for Ferndale Rodbourne U7.



NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 2003/04

TEAM	P	HW	HD	HL	HGF	HGA	AW	AD	AL	AGF	AGA	PTS	GD
BRISTOL C	31	10	4	1	27	8	7	6	3	19	15	61	+23
PLYMOUTH	31	10	4	1	38	10	7	5	4	27	20	60	+35
QPR	31	12	3	0	34	6	4	7	5	21	23	58	+26
SWINDON	31	8	4	3	29	17	6	5	5	21	22	51	+11
PORT VALE	30	11	3	2	34	21	3	3	8	14	21	48	+6
WREXHAM	30	6	5	5	17	12	8	0	6	19	18	47	+6
BARNSLEY	31	6	8	1	21	12	6	3	7	19	23	47	+5
BRIGHTON	31	10	3	2	26	10	3	4	9	17	25	46	+8
LUTON	29	10	3	2	28	14	2	7	5	16	25	46	+5
HARTLEPOOL	30	6	6	2	21	8	5	4	7	24	29	43	+8
B'MOUTH	30	8	5	2	22	15	3	5	7	12	18	43	+1
TRANMERE	30	8	6	2	24	14	1	7	6	12	26	40	-4
RUSHDEN	30	7	4	3	30	19	4	2	10	19	30	39	0
SHEFF WED	31	4	8	4	18	17	5	4	6	17	22	39	-4
BLACKPOOL	30	6	2	7	19	18	5	4	6	18	25	39	-6
COLCHESTER	29	6	6	2	17	13	4	2	9	12	24	38	-8
OLDHAM	31	7	3	5	25	17	1	9	6	21	29	36	0
BRENTFORD	31	6	3	7	23	27	3	4	8	10	20	34	-14
CHESTERFIELD	31	6	6	4	24	19	2	4	9	7	27	34	-15
GRIMSBY	30	5	4	6	22	18	3	5	7	12	34	33	-18
P'BORO	31	2	6	8	21	25	4	5	6	14	19	29	-9
STOCKPORT	31	2	6	8	20	29	3	7	5	20	24	28	-13
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WYCOMBE	31	4	4	8	21	25	0	7	8	11	27	23	-20

APPEARANCES 2003/04

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BART GRIEMINK	5	0	14	0	0	0	1	0	1y1r	1	0	0
JEREL IFIL	17	0	5y	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANT SMITH	5	0	2y	1	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	0
MATT HEWLETT	30	1	7y	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
ADI VIVEASH	14	0	ly	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
ANDY GURNEY	29	4	10y	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	0
SAMMY IGOE	21	1	2y1r	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
TOMMY MOONEY	30	17	34	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
SAM PARKIN	25	12	34	1	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0
STEF MIGLIORANZI	25	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
DAVID DUKE	28	1	4y	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
IAN HERRING	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
JON STEVENSON	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	-0	1	0	0
ANDREW NICHOLAS	17	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
JAMES MILNER	6	1	2y	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRIAN HOWARD	24	3	2y	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
MATT HEYWOOD	28	0	2y1r	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
RHYS EVANS	28	0	1y	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
ALAN REEVES	21	0	4y	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1y
STEVE ROBINSON	22	1	2y1r	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
BEN MARTIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
SEBASTIEN RUSTER	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
MICHAEL POOK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.0	0	1	0	0
LUKE GARRARD	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
JUNIOR LEWIS	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEON BURTON	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RORY FALLON	7	1	1r	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEAN O'HANLON	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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UP NEXT AT THE COUNTY GROUND

TRANMERE ROVERS WEDNESDAY 3RD MARCH 7.45PM

NEXT UP AT THE COUNTY GROUND ARE TRANMERE ROVERS WHO MAKE THE TRIP DOWN FROM MERSEYSIDE ON 3RD MARCH.

Rovers' season so far has seen the club placed as high as 3rd and as low as 19th in Division Two and as February entered it's third week the Prenton Park club occupied 15th position. It's a different story in the FA Cup though, with Rovers facing Swansea for a place in round five last weekend.

While home form sees just two defeats in 15 games, travelling performances have let Tranmere down this season. Just one win in 14 attempts is not the

sort of return that promises a play-off place, and Rovers' record of 26 goals conceded away from home is only one less than bottom placed Wycombe.

Top scorer is Eugene Dadi on seven in the League and 10 in total and he was the scorer of one of the quickest goals of the season with a 28 second strike against Chesterfield in December.

Welsh international striker Simon
Haworth, who is second top scorer with
seven, looks to be out for the rest of the
season with a broken leg so Little is
looking to bring in a replacement on
loan. One player who has already tried
out for Tranmere is 31 year old
Jamaican international defender lan

Goodison who played under Little at Hull City. A signing looks likely if work permit issues can be resolved.

Of course, ex-Bristol City player Mickey Mellon might have his own reasons to want to perform well against Swindon.

Brian Little is at the helm at Tranmere these days and no doubt he'll be looking to correct the way form that is letting the side down. Andy King and his men though will be expecting to add to the points total that has grabbed a play-off place. Town and Tranmere have had some great matches over the years. Don't miss the next installment.

Dave Wallis



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BART GRIEMINK	1	100/1	100/1	1	CARL MUGGLETON
SEAN O'HANLON	2	20/1	66/1	2	GUS UHLENBEEK
GRANT SMITH	3	10/1	40/1	3	ALAN O'HARE
MATT HEWLETT	4	8/1	40/1	4	KEVIN DAWSON
ADI VIVEASH	5	20/1	40/1	5	STEVE BLATHERWICK
ANDY GURNEY	6	10/1		6	STUART HOWSON
SAMMY IGOE	7	8/1		7	STEVE PAYNE
TOMMY MOONEY	8	3/1	10/1	8	MARK ALLOTT
SAM PARKIN	9	3/1	6/1	9	GLYNN HURST
STEFANI MIGLIORANZI	10	10/1	16/1	10	MARK HUDSON
DAVID DUKE	11	10/1	20/1	11	MARK INNES
JON STEVENSON	14	6/1		12	GARETH DAVIES
ANDREW NICHOLAS	15	20/1	8/1	14	CHRIS BRANDON
RORY FALLON	16	4/1	7/1	15	DAVID REEVES
BRIAN HOWARD	17	10/1		16	CALEB FOLAN
MATTHEW HEYWOOD	19	12/1		17	ANDY RICHMOND
RHYS EVANS	20	100/1		18	ANDY RUSHBURY
BEN MARTIN	21			19	STEVE WARNE
ALAN REEVES	22	20/1		21	MARK SMITH
MICHAEL POOK	23	8/1	40/1	23	IAN EVATT
LUKE GARRARD	24			24	LEE RICHARDSON
STEVE ROBINSON	25	8/1	6/1	25	MARVIN ROBERTSON
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