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## EditorsNotes

**Good afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground as we switch from LDV Vans Trophy to FA Cup duty.**

Tuesday's win over Bristol City was an excellent advert for the LDV Vans Trophy. There was a tremendous atmosphere inside the stadium with our highest attendance of the season there to witness a 1-0 win. By the time you read these notes

the draw for the area Semi-Finals will have been made. What price another home draw?

It is back to FA Cup duty this afternoon with the visit of Notts County. Let's hope we can repeat our successes of previous seasons against The Magpies and secure a place in the draw for the Third Round alongside the big guns.

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# Latest News

**Viveash Leaves... Garrard speaks after promising performance... LDV Draw... Kick Racism Out of Football... Gorman in at Wycombe...**

## Viveash Departs

Adi Viveash has left the club by mutual consent after both parties came to an agreement over the remaining period of his contract.

Viveash joined the Town in the summer of 2003 after rejecting a one-year deal with local rivals Reading and made 15 appearances that season.

After starting as a regular choice on the left side of three centre backs, he found a starting place hard to come by and went out on loan to Kidderminster Harriers. Initial discussions on a more permanent move to the Aggborough Stadium broke down with then boss Jan Molby stating his interest in the dominant centre back.

He returned to Wiltshire to train with the first team squad but with a glut of centre halves in Andy King's side, Viveash has found it difficult to make any impact on the first team.

## Garrard Delighted

Luke Garrard spoke to STFC World after Tuesday's 1-0 win over Bristol City and gave his thoughts.

Garrard made his second appearance in the competition this season and it will be one to remember as he shone out in his right wing back position. He said: "It was an enjoyable game, I loved it. I never expected so many people to turn out for the game but it was great and made for a superb atmosphere, it's nice when you play in front of a crowd like that.

"The manager told me last Friday that I was going to play so I had all weekend to prepare for it. I was nervous a bit but I had my family here and it was nice to put on a good performance."

To listen to Garrard and other interviews just

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## LDV Trophy Draw

The draw for the next round of the LDV Vans Trophy took place this morning live on Sky Sports Soccer AM.

Town are in the last eight of the competition, with the following teams left in at this the area Semi-Final stage:

### Southern Section:

Bristol Rovers  
Leyton Orient  
Southend United  
Swindon Town

### Northern Section:

Hereford United  
Oldham Athletic  
Tranmere Rovers  
Wrexham

To see the draw in full and for a full match report and reaction after today's game just log onto [Swindontownfc.co.uk](http://Swindontownfc.co.uk)

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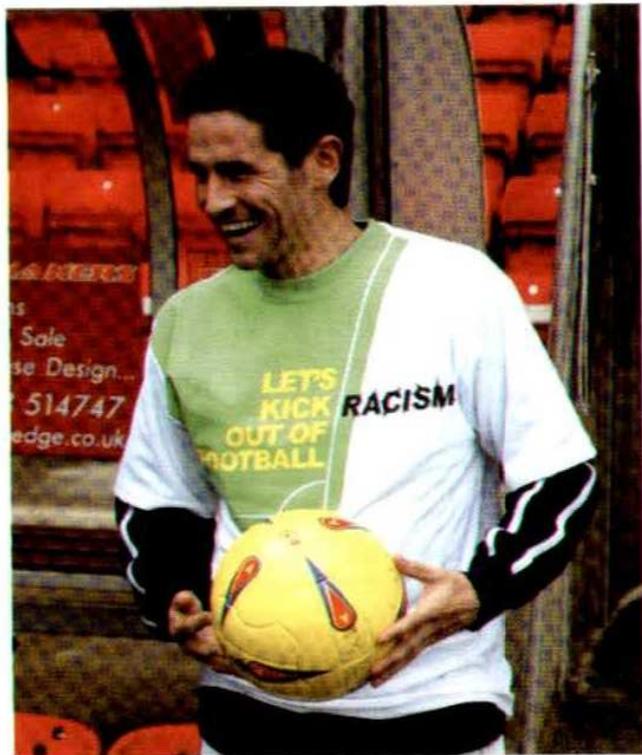
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### Hello and welcome to this FA Cup tie with Notts County here at The County Ground.

There are no fresh injury worries following on from Tuesday's win over City. Although tired, the lads are looking forward to facing Notts County. David Duke came off the pitch at Chesterfield with a tired hamstring but don't expect this to prevent him from joining the rest of the squad for today's game.

Matty Hewlett continues to train harder and harder every day but I would expect it to be a close run thing if he is to be involved this afternoon, as he is yet to train properly with the squad for the best part of two weeks. Stefani Miglioranzi now has good stretch and strength associated with his adductor problem and I can now see an opportunity for him to rejoin training in a couple of weeks time, bar any unforeseen setbacks.



the club if you are a fan; or to the local authority if it occurs on your local council pitch.

Racist abuse at football matches is against the law, so the police and stewards should take action. Referees should act if the abuse comes from players, and your league or county FA should look into the matter. Make note of the incident and let Kick It Out know what's happened too.

The KIO hotline number is 0800 169 9414.

### Gorman appointed at Chairboys

Wycombe Wanderers have appointed John Gorman as the managerial successor to Tony Adams.

The former England assistant boss left his caretaker role with Championship side Gillingham in order to accept the vacancy at The Causeway Stadium.

Gorman's appointment at the League Two club makes it his 2nd spell in



## Captain's Column Matt Hewlett

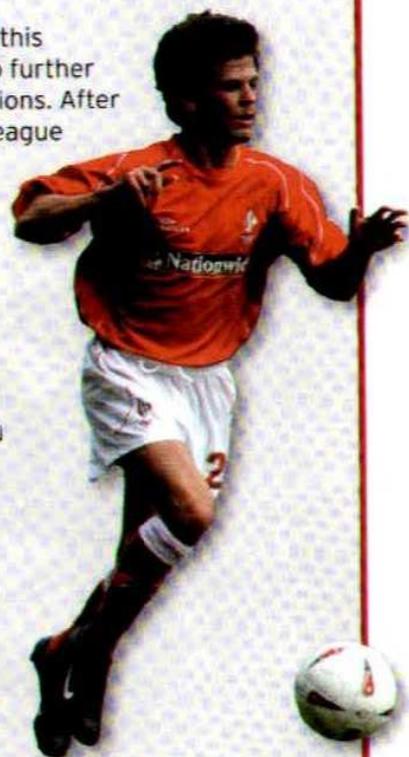
**G**ood afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's FA Cup Second Round tie with Notts County.

Tuesday's performance was extremely satisfying for everyone involved and I am sure the fans enjoyed it. The County Ground was buzzing and it was fantastic to see so many people attend the game and what an atmosphere it generated.

A few of our squad players got a game with **Luke Garrard** and Steve Book doing well in particular. From a defensive point of view I thought we looked solid and the change of formation seems to have had a positive effect.

Notts County arrive this afternoon looking to further their own cup ambitions. After a tough season in League Two, I am sure they will provide us with a stern test.

Enjoy the game,



charge of The Chairboys.

The Scot was in temporary charge of Wycombe last season when Lawrie Sanchez was sacked, but moved on after Adams was given the job by the

Buckinghamshire-based outfit.

He returns to take charge of a Wycombe side that is well within reach of challenging for the play-off places in League Two.

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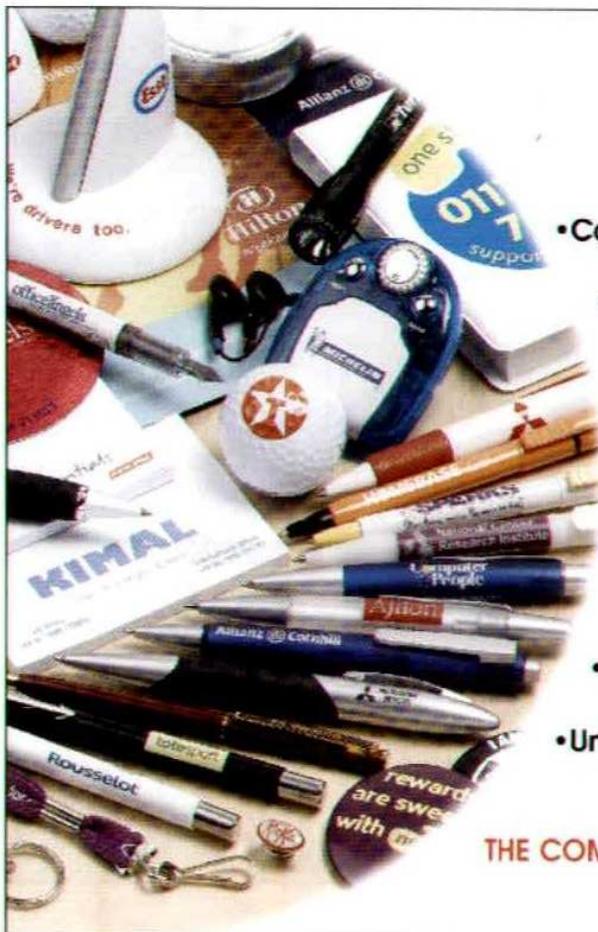


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# BoardroomTalk

**Acting Chief Executive Bob Holt gives us his thoughts ahead of today's game...**

**What a night! It was end to end action for ninety minutes as Town managed to contain a very spirited first half performance by Bristol City last Tuesday in the LDV Vans Trophy.**

Great defending by the 'Old Guard', sorry I mean the experienced combination of Alan Reeves and Steve Book who provided the platform for our second win against City this season. Town were certainly on the receiving end in the first half, however, as usual we saved our best till last and ran out winners on the night by the narrowest of margins. Plus, we had the highest gate so far this season!

Today's task should not

be taken lightly as Notts County have beaten us before. Admittedly this was at Meadow Lane almost 3 years ago in a game that Mr. King and I watched from the stands on a cold November evening. That game was memorable not for the result, but that a certain N. Ruddock was sent off. Little did we know at the time that it would be his last game for this Club. On that bitter evening I also managed to persuade 'Kingy' to return and give the 'newly appointed Board' a second chance. Those of you who may remember Andy was sacked by the then Chairman D. Donegan in August and that was before the season had even started.

Now for something completely different. As

many of you may know I have been somewhat critical of our Local Government, but the events of the past few weeks may have me eating my words! In the middle of last month I received an invitation from the Council to attend a meeting at their Premier House offices, opposite Swindon Station. Fearing the worst, and with some trepidation, I enlisted the assistance of Sandy Gray and we guardedly arrived at the appointed time. You can imagine our surprise when we were greeted by nine enthusiastic Council Executives who, acting on the Motion passed by the Council the previous night, were on a mission to determine whether the development of a new stadium at the County Ground was a feasible proposition. We are scheduled to meet again this month so as they say watch this space!

By the way what did happen to Mr. N. Ruddock esquire.... probably living in the jungle somewhere I suspect!

Enjoy today's game,

Bob Holt  
Acting Chief Executive



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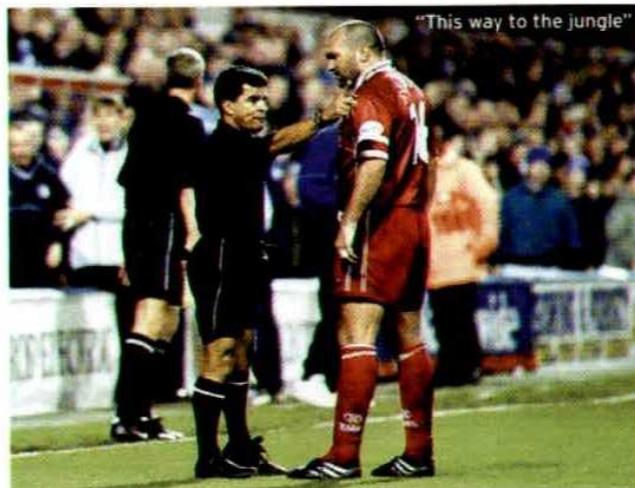
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## MatchReport

Swindon 1 • Bristol City 0

Tuesday 30th November '04 • Kick-Off 7.45pm  
LDV Vans Trophy Quarter-Final • County Ground

**Town edged into the LDV Southern area Semi Final and another step nearer Cardiff after a 1-0 victory over local rivals Bristol City wrote Simon Coy.**

In a game short on clear-cut chances for both sides it took another strike from Swindon's goal machine Sam Parkin to break the deadlock of an even contest midway through the second half.

Swindon and Bristol City both came into the quarter-final having made a number of changes. Andy King brought in Alan Reeves, Luke Garrard, Andy Nicholas, Rory Fallon and Steve Book whilst Brian Tinnion made four changes from the side that lost to Sheffield Wednesday at the weekend.

Town will now face either Bristol Rovers, Leyton Orient or Southend United in the Southern Semi-Final with the draw being made live on Soccer AM this morning.

# Andy King

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to the Players, Officials and Supporters of Notts County...



**O**bviously we do not have so much knowledge of today's visitors as they play their football in a league below. The game throws up a challenge but as a Manager I am very aware of Notts County from my time at Mansfield Town.

I sold them a few players and knew the club very well. Like ourselves they have drifted away from the top divisions but maybe the glory days are just around the corner. The divide between getting to the Premiership now is not so great, but the difficult part is staying there. The Premiership is on a totally different level to the other divisions but who knows, maybe a good cup run could give us the chance to test ourselves.

We have already played Notts County this season during pre-season at Bideford. Unfortunately for them their season hasn't gone as well as I expected it to. We ourselves have also had something of an inconsistent season. We have hit some form at home but we need to address our away form. It is a fact that

all teams play better at home and I was listening to something on the radio earlier in the week which posed the question why? Every game is eleven vs eleven on a grass pitch so maybe there is something to be asked there. I know one thing, many managers across the country would pay a fortune to know the answer.

I must congratulate you, the fans, for your excellent turn out on Tuesday night against Bristol City. It was put in perspective for me when I looked at the other attendances on the night for LDV games and ours was double the nearest one. It shows the passion and commitment to football in this area for what was an entertaining game. I was very pleased with the performance of Luke Garrard on Tuesday night as well.

It has been well publicized that Christian Roberts was involved in a car accident on Tuesday before the game and only 24 hours later Stefani Miglioranzi was also involved in a similar incident. These

things happen in threes so I think I will be walking at the moment to try and avoid being the third.

Steve Jenkins comes back into contention for today's game but Garrard's performance has given me something to think about. Andy Nicholas also had a good game and looked back to somewhere near his best. It was also good to see Sam Parkin back on the goal trail, following on from his brace against Hull City.

As I write these notes, I would like to mention Adi Viveash who left the club this week. It has been unfortunate the way things worked out for him. We have made the decision that he would not be getting a new contract at the end of the year and I stated a long time ago that I wouldn't be playing Reeves and Viveash together again. I haven't been able to find a place for him in the team because of the emergence of Sean O'Hanlon. He has been a wonderful professional for this football club and I would like to wish him all the best for the future.

AK.

# MatchAction



**Coca-Cola League One**  
Saturday 27th November 2004  
The Recreation Ground, 3:00pm

**Chesterfield (0) 1**  
**Swindon (0) 0**

Attendance: 4,244

## Chesterfield



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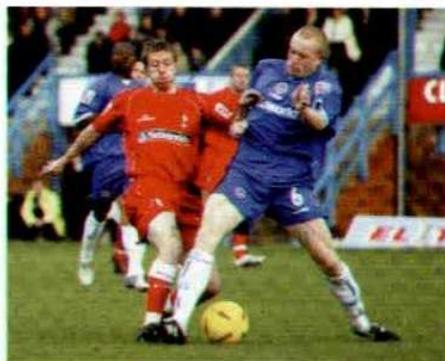
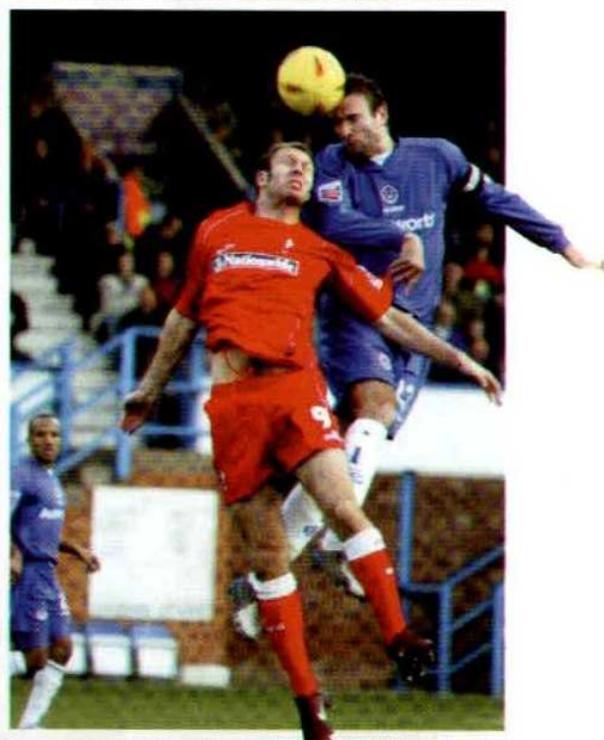
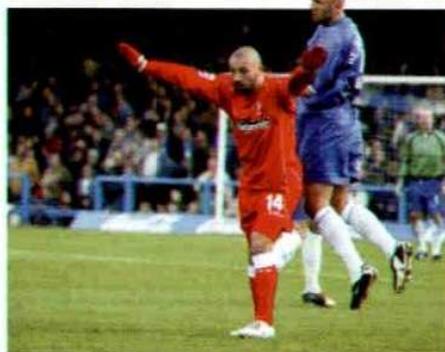
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  5. Steve Blatherwick
  6. Derek Niven
  8. Mark Allott
  9. Wayne Allison **1**
  10. Mark Hudson
  14. Shane Nicholson
  22. Tcham N'Toya
  23. Ian Evatt
  30. Sammy Clingan
- Subs Used
18. Adam Smith (6)
  16. Caleb Folan (22)
- Subs Not Used
17. Andy Richmond
  3. Alan O'Hare
  19. Mark Stallard

## Swindon



(red shirts, red shorts)

1. Rhys Evans
  2. Sean O'Hanlon
  6. Steve Jenkins
  7. Sammy Igoe
  9. Sam Parkin
  11. David Duke
  12. Jerel Ifil
  14. Christian Roberts
  16. Steve Robinson
  17. Brian Howard
  19. Matt Heywood
- Subs Used
8. Rory Fallon (17)
  15. Andy Nicholas (11)
- Subs Not Used
20. Steve Book
  18. Alan Reeves
  23. Luke Garrard



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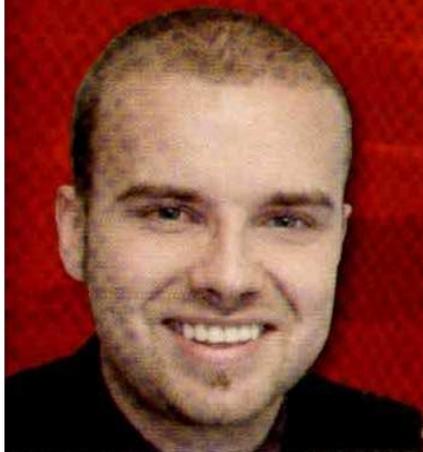


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# MediaComment

The Evening Advertiser's Chief Sports Writer Jon Ritson brings you his latest column for STFC Magazine...

**S**pitting is something that has always enraged me and my hat goes off to Portsmouth's Arjan De Zeeuw for keeping his cool last week.

If El Hadji Diouf had spat in my face he'd have got more than a glare of irritation. It is the worst thing you can possibly do and basically says 'I have utter contempt for you as a human being'.

He's been fined by Bolton but it's hardly the first time he's done this. They should throw the book at him. Gordon Taylor of the PFA is talking about counselling and education. What is there to educate? Spitting is simply a football and society no-no. Never mind statements on club websites. Diouf should meet De Zeeuw in person and apologise to him.

Anyway, enough of that unpleasantness and back to footballing matters. It's FA Cup second round day (Thank goodness it isn't a blank weekend, I couldn't face Christmas shopping) and a chance to make another step along the road to Cardiff.



We welcome a Notts County side just starting to come into form after a pretty wretched start to the season.

Ian Richardson seems to have steadied the ship since the sacking of Gary Mills and with the players they have, it can't be too long before the Magpies start to

their last two visits. However, we all know that the FA Cup is a different animal to the league.

Anything can happen and both home status and the 'favourites' tag can be rendered meaningless come 4.45.

It was before my time in Wiltshire but I remember

Grazioli who scored? Having said all that, both Ilkeston (4-1) and Gateshead (5-0) were beaten fairly comfortably three or four years ago. Either one of those scores would do today.

Victory would see us into the hat for round three and a potentially money-spinning tie with a Premiership club. An away day at Everton (for Kingy), Arsenal, Man U or Chelsea would do.

Enjoy the game and see you all back here for the clash with Huddersfield Town on Wednesday. It's starting to feel like I live here!

Cheers,  
Jon

**There is always the danger of complacency on occasions like this. After all, we've stuffed them 5-0 and 4-0 on their last two visits...**

really climb the table. There is always the danger of complacency on occasions like this. After all, we've stuffed them 5-0 and 4-0 on

raising an eyebrow one January afternoon some years ago when Stevenage won at the County Ground. Wasn't it some chap called

# Magpies on the up



## Notts County

Magpie's fans will be hoping that an FA Cup win over higher league opposition will be a further springboard to revive a disappointing start to the season. Ian Richardson and his men arrive at the County Ground on the back of an improving run of form with 3 wins in 4 games since the change of leadership last month knowing that a possible Premiership prize awaits.

Words: Simon Coy



**NICKNAME:**.....The Magpies  
**GROUND:**.....Meadow Lane  
**MANAGER:**.....Ian Richardson  
**YEAR FORMED:**.....1862

**Division 2 Champions:** 1922/23, 1913/14, 1896/97

**Division 2 Runners-Up:** 1980/81, 1894/95

**Division 3 Champions:** 1997/98

**Division 3 Play-Off Winners:** 1989/90

**Division 3 South Champions:** 1949/50, 1930/31

**Division 4 Champions:** 1970/71

**FA Cup Winners:** 1894

**Anglo-Italian Cup Winners:** 1995

**Biggest Win:** 15-0 v. Rotherham Town, 1885

**Biggest Defeat:** 9-1 v. Blackburn Rovers, 1889

**Record Attendance:** 47,310 v. York City, 1955

**Most Appearances:** 564, Albert Tremonger, 1904-26

**Top Goalscorer:** Les Bradd, 124, 1967-78

**Most Goals in a season:** 39, Tom Keetley, 1930/31

**Most Capped Player:** Kevin Wilson, 15, Nthn. Ireland

**Biggest Transfer Fee Paid:**

£685,000, Tony Agana from Sheffield United, 1991

**Biggest Transfer Fee Received:**

£2.5m, Craig Short to Derby County, 1992

# The Magpies' Squad

It's been tough times at the Football League's oldest club recently. For the Magpies loyal supporters the last 12 months have been a memory they would rather forget and they will be hoping that, starting today, the only way is up.

Currently occupying 18th place in League Two with only 6 wins in 19 games there is clearly a lot of work to be done. However, newly installed manager Ian Richardson, in the job a month today, has already started to turn the tide that cost Gary Mills his position.

Last weekend's victory over Cambridge followed on from an FA Cup defeat of Woking and a 3-0 cruise past Shrewsbury. The only blot on Richardson's copybook being the narrow loss to Bury at Gigg Lane.

However, inconsistency over the opening 3 months saw County struggling at the foot of the League Two table and ultimately cost Gary Mills his job. The final nail in the coffin was the 5-1 defeat at Rushden.

In last season's FA Cup the Magpies cruised into the third round. Shildon were thrashed 7-2 in round one before a visit to Gravesend & Northfleet saw County win 2-0. However Premiership opposition lay in wait and the run ended at the Riverside with Middlesbrough winning 2-0.

## 2 David Pipe

After a highly impressive loan spell with the Magpies, David eventually joined County on a free transfer in April 2004. A Wales U21 International, he has also received full international honours for his country.



## 5 Mike Whitlow

Gary Mills' first summer signing who had been released by Sheffield United. The ex-Magpies boss instantly installed Mike as his new captain. Experienced and a constant talker at the back.



## 6 Stefan Oakes

Leicester-born player who entered the Premiership limelight with Leicester City. Left-sided midfielder with undoubted ability, Oakes is expected to have a big impact with his creative flair and vision.



## 7 Matthew Gill

Began his career at Peterborough United as a trainee and made over 120 appearances for the London Road side. Can operate at either full back or in his preferred midfield role.



## 8 Julien Baudet

A powerfully built player at home in either midfield or defence. Julien arrived after a spell with Rotherham. Likely to be the club's regular penalty taker. Scored in the FA Cup win over Woking.



## 9 Gavin Gordon

Hardworking frontman began his career at Hull City where he made 22 first team starts and scored nine goals. Joined County on a free transfer in June 2004 from Cardiff.



## 11 Tony Scully

Journeyman forward who has played for 10 clubs including County, QPR and Cambridge. Tony joined the Magpies on a free in February 2004. Scored both County goals at Lincoln in August.



## 12 Chris Palmer

Hardworking and pacy wingman Palmer joined Notts in July 2004 from Derby County where he was a trainee. Able to play with both feet. Chris can play on either flank.



## 15 Matthew Williams

Striker Matthew joined on a free from Manchester United in March 2004. He is a short, skilful forward with a clear eye for the spectacular goal, and notched his first score last week.



## 17 Robert Ullathorne

Highly experienced defender who has had spells at Norwich, Leicester, Sheffield United. Snapped up from under the noses of Northampton Town during the summer of 2004.



## 20 Kelvin Wilson

Kelvin is a versatile defender at home at either right back or in the centre of defence. A member of the successful Notts County youth team that won back to back Midland Youth Cup's.



## 23 Shane McFaul

Arrived at Meadow Lane in the summer of 2002 and made his first team debut while he was still a youth team player. Made his first team debut against Swindon Town in August 2003.



## 29 Chris O'Grady

Young striker currently on a 3 month loan spell at Meadow Lane from Leicester. Chris, 18, has been given clearance to play in the cup and with Glynn Hurst injured may get his chance.



**Date:** Sat 28th August 2003

**Competition:** Division Two

**Half-Time Score:** 2-0

**Full-Time Score:** 4-0

**Swindon Goalscorers:**

Hewlett, 8; Mooney, 10;

Parkin, 47; Igoe, 50

**Notts Co. Goalscorers:** n/a

**Attendance:** 5,758

**Swindon Final League**

**Position:** 5th

**Notts Co. Final League**

**Position:** 23rd (relegated)

# 1 OnetoWatch Saul Deeney

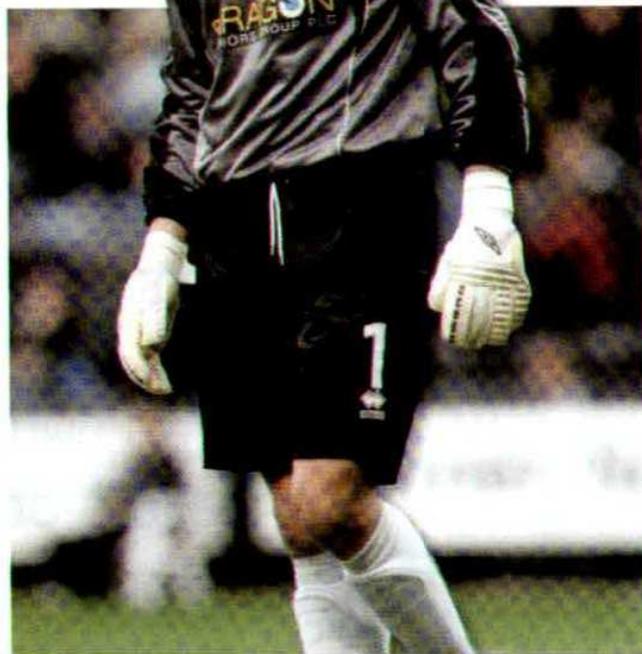
**S**aul is a fine and promising young goalkeeper, who in recent seasons has attracted interest from a number of Premiership sides, but in January 2004 committed himself to the Club until June 2005.

Having played back up to now departed ex-Town keeper Steve Mildenhall and Stuart Garden for the third season running, Saul was handed his chance by boss Gary Mills towards the end of the 2003/04 season. After injuries to the other

duo left Mills with no other options, Saul turned in some fine performances, including an outstanding display at Brighton.

He had trials with Blackburn Rovers and Wolverhampton Wanderers in the year of 2003, but neither move came off, and he opted to stay on at Meadow Lane to further his education.

Saul has excellent shot stopping abilities as well as a fine kick on him, and with just two goalkeepers on the books at the start of the season he will be looking to improve on his appearances tally for



the club. After making only 10 appearances since 1999, Saul has already notched up 13 appearances so far

this season and will be looking to ensure that he retains his place for the remainder of the campaign.



## the gaffer Ian Richardson

For the second time in 5 days Swindon face a player-manager. However, since taking over the reins as caretaker boss a month ago Richardson has only appeared in the game against Bury.

Richardson joined the Magpies in 1996 from Birmingham City and as well as being in temporary charge of team affairs, the defender is currently the longest serving player at the club. He is just short of 300 appearances for County and was also voted Player Of The Year last season. A popular choice to be in charge, 3 wins in 4 games is also a great start to his managerial life doing his chances of a permanent job no harm at all.

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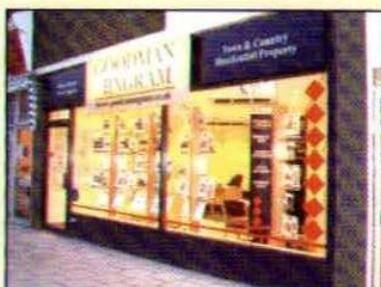
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# Those Were The Days

**Matchday Press Officer Chris Scott takes a trip down memory lane with a look at previous encounters between Swindon Town and Notts County...**

**I remember the 1947-48 as a brilliant season, at least that's how I saw it at the time. Football was top of the entertainment pile by a distance. A 10-0 win for England in Lisbon in May didn't do any harm to my enthusiasm but my real interest was Swindon Town.**

Already with a bit of a reputation as cup giant killers the "Town" had defeated Ipswich and Aldershot to reach a coveted place in the third round only to be paired with Burnley, second place in Division One (the top flight) finalists in the previous season, the tie to be played at Turf Moor.

Most of the press had written off any chance of Swindon making any further progress. Bookies odds to win the cup told the story. Burnley 10-1 favourites Swindon's odds between 3000-1 and 5000-1.

A 2-0 win for Swindon at Burnley sent the supporters wild, the mayor met the team as they alighted from the train on platform one and thousands more outside.

Anticipation was high

over the weekend and on Monday the draw gave Swindon home advantage over Notts County. The snag was that only a few weeks earlier County had signed England's centre forward Tommy Lawton from Chelsea for £17,000. The move didn't affect the selectors Lawton was still very much a first choice for England. Another mission impossible for Billy Lucas and co and in particular centre half Jimmy Ithell. The interest in the game was immense but Swindon decided at first not to make the game all-ticket.

Initially, County were offered a quarter of the available seats, but County protested and on the Saturday before the game crowds including a massive contingent from Nottingham queued up County Road as far as the bridges.

On the morning of the match 100 coaches arrived from Robin Hood country and Town supporters in Moonraker garb added to the occasion.

I was in the ground about two hours before

the kick off, enjoying a marvellous atmosphere in the 27,130 crowd. - I'd made sure of my ticket but some 1/3d (6p) tickets changed hands for 5/- (25p).

Although neither side were very adventurous

**...on the Saturday before the game crowds including a massive contingent from Nottingham queued up County Road as far as the bridges.**

Swindon in today's reporting "shaded it" in the first half and controlled the second half as County found it difficult to supply their famous forward. I can still see the England hero hoofing his one real shot over the Town End and out of the ground.

I had to wait with the rest of the Town faithful until a quarter of an hour from the end before the magic moment arrived. Maurice Owen flicked on a cross for Billy Lucas to score the winner.

We knew then our passage was booked for round five but the celebrations were on hold until the relief of the final whistle.

The Monday headlines read: "Ithell had Lawton in a straight jacket," but the quote from the Town's centre half I doubt would be repeated today "What a fine centre forward he is to play against - the perfect gentleman on

the field with never a complaint or grumble."

Some things have changed but some haven't. Swindon Manager Louis Page asked why the Town were doing so well replied "There are eleven good reasons - the men who make up the side."

Sadly in Swindon went out in the third round to 2nd division Southampton 3-0 but that was not the only sadness as the influential half back Harry Kaye suffered a broken ankle early in the game.

Ten men in a 5th round F A Cup-tie was always a recipe for defeat, but what a battle they fought along the way.



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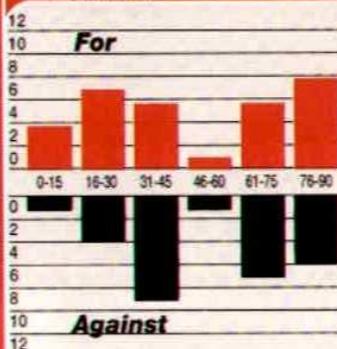
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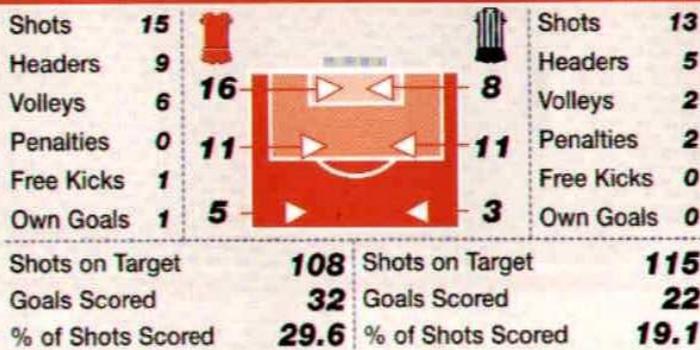
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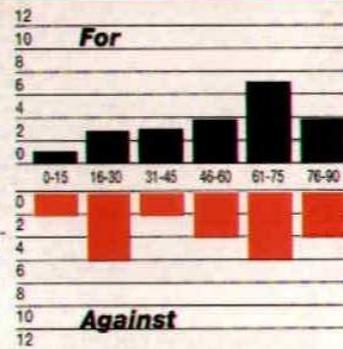
## When Scored



## How & Where Goals Scored



## When Scored



## Discipline

Red Cards	2
Yellow Cards	26
Fouls Committed	251
Average per Game	13.21
Conceded from Free Kick	3
Fouls Suffered	212
Average per Game	11.16
Scored from Free Kick	5
Caught Offside	48
Average per Game	2.53

## Top Scorers in each Category

Red Cards	2
Yellow Cards	29
Fouls Committed	305
Average per Game	16.05
Conceded from Free Kick	2
Fouls Suffered	223
Average per Game	11.74
Scored from Free Kick	2
Caught Offside	57
Average per Game	3

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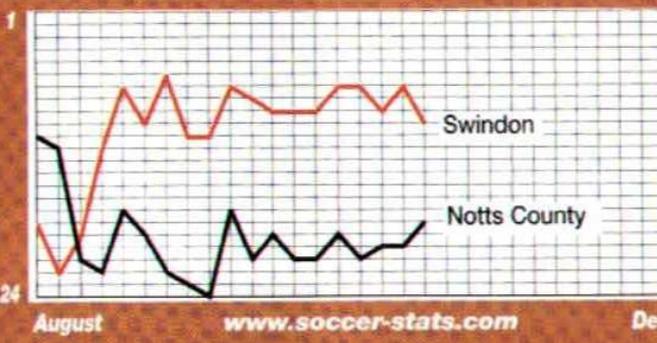
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## Last 6 & Swings

Opponents	H/A	Score
Chesterfield	A	0-1
Hull	H	4-2
Tranmere	A	1-2
Torquay	H	3-3
Sheff Wed	H	3-2
Barnsley	A	2-2

Won when Behind: 1  
 Drawn when Behind: 3  
 Drawn when Ahead: 3  
 Lost when Ahead: 1

## Seasonal Progress Comparison



## Last 6 & Swings

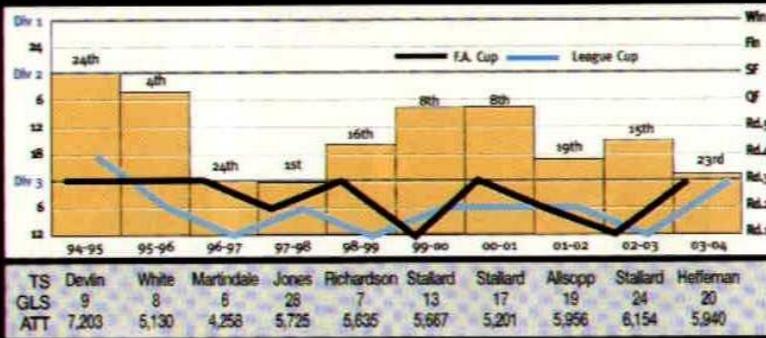
Opponents	H/A	Score
Cambridge	H	2-1
Bury	A	0-1
Shrewsbury	H	3-0
Rushden	A	1-5
Boston	H	2-1
Darlington	H	1-1

Won when Behind: 1  
 Drawn when Behind: 0  
 Drawn when Ahead: 2  
 Lost when Ahead: 2

## Notts County's Last 10 Years

Games Played	571
Won	191
Drawn	157
Lost	223
Goals Scored	711
Goals Conceded	771
Points Total	730
Bigest Win	5-1 Bournemouth 99/00
	5-1 Tranmere 92/93
Heaviest Defeat	0-6 Millwall 92/93

n.b. stats from 92-93 to present



## Top Scorers

Mark Stallard	66
Danny Allsopp	43
Gary Jones	38
Paul Heffernan	36
Paul Devlin	25
Mark Draper	24
Sean Farrell	22
Gary Lund	21
Gary McSwegan	21
Ian Richardson	21

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Each ticket costs £1, and all tickets need to be returned to the Club's Marketing Department by no later than **3.00pm on Saturday 15th January 2005.**

The draw for the main prizes will take place during the half-time interval at the **Swindon Town v Blackpool** game on the same date.

The draw for the remaining 30 runner-up prizes will take place in the Executive Club at 5pm.

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## A Game of Two Halves

Next Wednesday sees another of our very popular Game of

Two Halves. A day's golf rounded off by a football match in the evening is the menu for this unique day out. We still have one or two places available for a four man team to enter, so if you fancy a great day out golfing and then back to the County Ground for the Swindon Town v Huddersfield Town League game, why not contact Sarah Mildenhall now on 01793 333718. The day begins with a bacon rolls on arrival at the local Ogbourne Downs Golf Club, 18 holes of golf, late afternoon three course dinner, Main Stand tickets for the game and a buffet at half time. The cost of a four-person team is £295 plus VAT. Don't forget, it's still not too late, so why not give Sarah a call now!



▲ Mr John Lusty of Bloor Homes is presented with his Match Sponsors award by Sam Parkin.



▲ A young Swindon Town fan (and Arsenal supporter!) is presented with a signed STFC shirt.

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▲ The Match Sponsors line-up ahead of kick-off.



▲ Matchball Sponsors the Evening Advertiser, with Man of the Match Sam Parkin.

## Matchday Sponsors

### Mr. Gary Barnes

**Gary Barnes** and his family are regular supporters of the Club and always enjoy the facility of the Matchday hospitality lounge. Only last Tuesday Gary's young son Scott was the Club mascot for the LDV home game with Bristol City.

Gary has always been very supportive in whatever the Club do, despite working away from home at times, during the week. We hope that he, along with all of his guests have an enjoyable time with us this afternoon.

## Matchball Sponsors

### Christina Poulton

Our Matchball Sponsor is a young lady who has come along today to celebrate her 49 + 1 Birthday. **Christina Poulton** is her name and she is joined in her birthday celebrations by her two young daughters Rebecca 20, and Catherine, 17. Christina, who for all her sins, is also a Manchester United fan. She has been to the County Ground on a number of occasions and is a devout Swindon Town fan. In fact her two daughters say that they can always tell if Swindon have won or lost by Christina's mood. For a living she is a Professional print finisher and is prepared to work around the clock just to make sure that the job goes out on time. Amongst her many hobbies, she enjoys studying Brazilian Butterflies, early 15th Century needlework and the life and times of Des O' Connor. She has a wide range of music ranging from George Michael to the Bay City Rollers. Her claim to fame is that she once sang with Elvis Presley, Cliff Richard and the Beatles. At the time she was in the bath and they were all singing on the radio. On behalf of the Club we hope that Christina and her two daughters enjoy their visit to the County Ground and that she has a great 48+2 birthday.

Another party who are with us today, and are making a return visit is **Diane George** and her guests. Diane, Lee and the two lads first came along to the Sheffield Wednesday FA Cup game and were so impressed with our matchday hospitality they booked up straight away to come to today's game. Diane plays for the Swindon Town ladies team and her colleague Lee comes to all our home games. Already they have booked up for the New Years Day game v Colchester and the final home League game with Chesterfield. Lets hope that they once again prove to be lucky FA Cup omens for us.

Also with us today are **Debby and Anita** who also came along to the Sheffield Wednesday game. These two property entrepreneurs have recently branched out into the world of interior office designing. Their speciality is set on various themes. At the moment, it is Christmas. Anyone who would like to have their place of work, or office decorated in colourful Santa decorations should contact them direct. Their prices are very reasonable, and provided that Anita can have a drink of peppermint tea at some time during the day, a good job is guaranteed. Unfortunately, for the two young girls, they also come with a dubious track record. Why? Well let's just say that at the last home game both were seen on the mobile phones asking for outside help for the answers of our matchday trivia quiz. I rest my case!

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# HEAD -2- HEAD



**Steve Book**

**Rhys Evans**

Who is the only player to have ever been sent off in a cup final?	Everton vs Manchester United - Kevin Moran	Kevin Moran
What is the nickname of today's visitors?	The Blackbirds?	The Magpies
Can you name the two players who were sent off for Arsenal in their last Champions League game?	Vieira and Lauren.	Vieira and Lauren.
Against which side did Matt Hewlett score his only goal of the season to date?	Rushden & Diamonds. I played in that one!	Was it away at Rushden?
Can you name three of the seven clubs that your kitman Roger Jones played for?	Bournemouth, Blackburn and Stoke.	Newcastle, Stoke and Bournemouth.
Which player has scored the most Cup Final goals?	Eric Cantona	Mark Hughes
On the last day of this domestic 2004/5 season, who do we play?	Chesterfield at home	We have just played them away, Chesterfield.
Swindon have played Notts County four times in the FA Cup, but how many have we won?	Three	Three times
What happened in the 1946/7 FA Cup final, which had never happened in any previous finals?	Did the ball get punctured?	Were they decided on penalties?
What is the capacity of The County Ground?	17,500 (closest answer wins)	18,000

**Final Scores**



**8/10**

**7/10**

**Verdict:** It's another close one, but Steve Book takes the win this time around.

If you have a question you would like to test the players with in the next Head2Head, just send an email to [chris@swindontownfc.co.uk](mailto:chris@swindontownfc.co.uk)

## Reserve Fixtures 04/05

August	
Tue 17	Bristol City H 5-0
September	
Tue 7	Bristol Rov H 1-2
Tue 14	B'rnmouth H 2-1
October	
Wed 13	Pontin's Holidays Cup Group Games
Wed 27	Swansea A P-P
November	
Tue 9	Cheltenham H P-P
Tue 16	Cardiff City H 2-3
December	
Wed 1	Pontin's Holidays Cup Group Games
Tue 14	Plymouth A 19:00
January	
Tue 11	B'rnmouth A 14:00
Tue 25	Yeovil H 14:00
February	
Tue 1	Swansea H 14:00
Wed 9	Pontin's Holidays Cup Group Games
Tue 15	Cheltenham A 14:00
March	
Wed 2	Bristol City A 14:00
Tue 8	Plymouth H 14:00
Wed 23	Pontin's Holidays Cup Semi-Final
Wed 30	Yeovil A 14:00
April	
Wed 13	Cardiff City A 14:00
Tue 26	Bristol Rov A 14:00
May	
Wed 4	Pontin's Holidays Cup Final

## Next Home Match

Tuesday 25th January 2004  
**Swindon v Yeovil Town**  
 Come on down to the County Ground on Tuesday 25th January to cheer on Alan Reeves' men against local side Yeovil Town. Entrance is Free to all! Kick Off 2:00pm

## Wales & West Division Table 27.11.04

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Plymouth	6	4	1	1	17	6	13
Cardiff	7	4	0	3	13	13	12
Bristol R	6	3	1	2	13	12	10
Swansea	5	3	0	2	9	16	9
Chelt'ham	6	2	2	2	10	8	8
Swindon	4	2	0	2	10	6	6
Bristol C	6	2	0	4	10	15	6
Yeovil	5	1	1	3	6	10	4
B'mouth	3	0	1	2	3	5	1

# Seventh Heaven for Youngsters



**The Swindon Town Under 18's were in action last Saturday morning as they took on Luton Town in the Youth Alliance Cup at Wanborough.**

The home side, under the guidance of Youth Team Coach **Ian Woan**, started the game with Michael Pook, Kyle Lapham and Matty Bulman all starting the match. Swindon ran out convincing winners after a first half goal fest.

The game began with Lance Lewis opening the scoring after ten minutes with a left foot drive from the edge of the box. Ashan Holgate then scored a brace before Michael Pook hit a free-kick to make it 5-0 at the break.

In the second half further goals from Chris Taylor and Ben Wells, with a well taken volley from distance, completed the rout. The next round has paired

Town with Exeter City at the training ground.

After the game Ian Woan commented on the result: "It was an excellent display of clinical finishing as the game wasn't really a 7-0 scoreline.

"I was delighted with the performance of all the players as we value the competition highly and want to go as far as we can."

## Caton the difference

**Andy Caton proved to be the hero as Town won the Wiltshire Premier Shield Semi-Final first leg at Swindon Supermarine.**

Reserve Team Manager Alan Reeves included himself alongside Luke Garrard, Andy Nicholas and youngster Leigh Henry at the back.

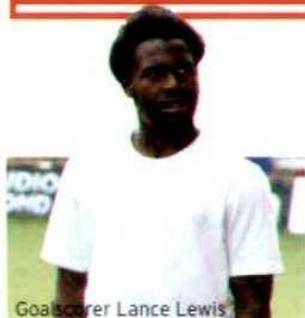
Ashan Holgate should have scored the opener after just four minutes as he ghosted through the defence but could not find the net before Leigh Henry saw his shot well-saved by Marine keeper Tom King who was to endure a busy first half.

Marine's first decent chance came on 20 minutes, Simon Futchter crossed from the right to the far post where former Fairford Town striker Dave Toomey rose to meet the ball but couldn't keep his header on target.

The first and only goal of the game came just before the half hour mark when youngster Andy Caton's pace sent him past two defenders and into the box. He then took his time before blasting a shot past King to fire Town into the lead.

Town will now be favourites to progress to the final with the second leg provisionally pencilled in for December 13 at the County Ground.





Goalscorer Lance Lewis

# Iffy's View

**Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's game with Notts County.**

Firstly, I must begin by talking about the Under 18's 7-0 win over Luton Town last weekend. I was very pleased with the result and the guys did very well. I thought they took their chances very well and were purposeful and inventive going forward. At the back we were organized against a side who I had watched a few weeks ago at Cirencester in the FA Youth Cup. We were disappointed with our own performance in the FA Youth Cup so Saturday's win gave us a boost.

On the day of the game I didn't see all of the goals as I was dealing

with the Under 16's as well but the ones that I watched looked good. It was a good all round team performance.

The Under 16's took on Exeter City on the adjoining pitch and also put in a pleasing performance. The final score was 5-0 to ourselves that meant that for the two sides we scored twelve goals with none against.

The rest of the programme was played out last Sunday. The Under 9's won 3-2 and the Under 10's losing. The Under 11's won and the Under 12's drew 3-3. The Under 13's won 4-1 and the Under 14's drew 3-3 away from home.

Ian Woan has been doing the majority of the coaching with the

Under 18's but I have been getting involved particularly during the Friday sessions to help them with their shape ahead of the Saturday matchday. We try and be positive and work on different things.

Next week I will be getting all the coaching staff together ahead of the Christmas period. I will be getting their thoughts on the season so far and try and get some feedback to see if there is anything we can improve upon. We will also be discussing individual player assessments, training methods and other aspects of the game.

Till next time.

**Iffy Onuora**  
Head of Youth Development

## U-18's Fixtures 04/05

Aug 14	Yeovil Town	8-0
Aug 21	Swansea City	5-2
Sep 4	Newport	7-2
Sep 11	Exeter City	0-1
Sep 18	Bristol Rovers	4-0
Sep 25	Bournemouth	3-4
Tue 6	Grimsby (Cup)	2-4
Oct 9	Cheltenham	2-1
Oct 16	Plymouth	1-0
Oct 30	Exeter City	1-1
Nov 6	Bristol Rovers	2-4
Nov 9	Yeovil Town (Cup)	0-2
Nov 13	Bournemouth	1-5
Nov 20	Cheltenham	3-3
Nov 27	Luton (Cup)	7-0
Dec 4	Plymouth	A
Dec 18	Yeovil Town	A
Jan 15	Swansea City	H
Jan 22	Newport	A
Jan 29	Cup R3	
Mar 12	Cup R4	



## Next Home Match

Saturday 15th January 2004

### Swindon v Swansea

The youth side's next home game takes place after the christmas break against Swansea at the Wanborough training ground. Kick-Off 11:00am



## South West Conference Table 27.11.04

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Swindon	12	7	2	3	41	19	23
Exeter	11	6	4	1	23	12	22
Plymouth	11	6	1	4	21	16	19
B'mouth	10	6	0	4	25	23	18
Bristol R	12	6	0	6	17	24	18
Yeovil	12	4	2	6	21	25	14
Chelt'ham	11	4	1	6	18	18	13
Swansea	11	3	2	6	19	27	11
Newport	8	1	0	7	8	29	3

# Sammy Igoe

**AFTERS...** what do you do the evening after a game?

Relax at home with my family.

**BEST...** player you have played with?

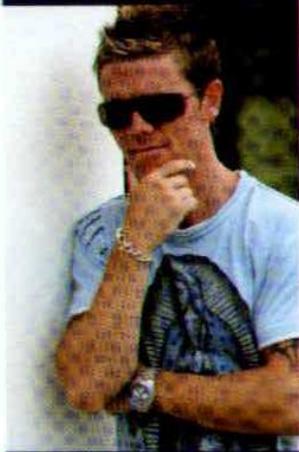
Paul Walsh at Portsmouth or with Paul Gascoigne, who I played with in a testimonial.

**CHARACTER...** who is the loudest and quietest in the dressing room?

The quietest would be Sean O'Hanlon and the loudest being Christian Roberts.

**DRAW...** can you draw a teammate?





**ENGINE...** what is your dream car?

AC Cobra.

**FA CUP...** how far can we go this year?

Anything can happen in the FA Cup! I have played in the quarter-finals so I think it is possible to go all the way.

**GREAT...** who was your hero as a youngster?

Platini.

**HOWARD...** how would you describe our midfielder?

For this I must quote his advert in the lonely hearts column. Blonde, 5'7, good body, seeks...

**INTERESTING...** what are your other interests outside of football?

Music, cars, bikes, fishing and golf.

**JOKE...** best practical joke you have ever seen?

It involved John Durnin at Portsmouth and a bag, that's all I can probably say!

**KICK...** who has the hardest shot at STFC? Jerel Ifil.

**LOSS...** your worst experience in football? There are two. Losing to Brighton last season and

### BEST AND WORST DRESSED AT THE CLUB?

"The best would be myself, and the worst Alan Reeves"



### YOUR WORST EXPERIENCE IN FOOTBALL?

"Losing to Brighton last season and also losing the play-off final at Cardiff"

also losing the play-off final at Cardiff.

**MENTION...** anyone you would like to say 'hello' to!?

Kevin Leahey, who trained with me as a schoolboy. He knows his stuff and is now a scout for a Premiership club. He has always been there for me with both advice and criticism.

**NET...** how many goals can you get this season? 10.

**ORDER...** where will Town finish this season? In the top six.

**POMPEY...** who is your tip to take over? Someone from abroad.

**QUALITY...** most skilful player at Town? The Manager (so he tells us!).

**RESTAURANT...** what's your favourite? 'Scott's' Fish Restaurant in the West End, London.

**STADIUM...** best and worst you have played in? The Millennium Stadium and Brighton's Withdean.

**TECHNICAL...** which player, out of the current

squad, has the potential to be a Manager?

Adi Viveash.

**UNUSUAL...** tell us something we don't know about Brian Howard?

He and his Mum both share a pair of linen trousers.

**VOCATION...** what would you do if you were not a footballer? Be a racing car driver.

**WRIST...** how is it now? It is ok, but a lot weaker after the accident.

**X...** sign here please

**Y3...** who is the best and worst dresser at STFC?

The best would be myself, and the worst Alan Reeves.

**ZOO...** who is the least tidy player at the Club? Steve Robinson. I had to borrow his car once - it was like a skip in there!

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# Shaun Hodgetts

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**A welcome extension to the deadline for these notes to be submitted means we can spend a whole page going over that local derby victory again... and again...and again, even if it was "only" the LDV Vans Trophy!**

Bristol City were beaten 1-0 here at the County Ground thanks to Super Sammy's ninth goal of the season. Parkin obliged at the Town End after a terrific run by Andy Nicholas, one of last Saturday's five substitutes who were all in the starting line-up.

At the end of any show on BBC Radio Swindon and BBC Radio Wiltshire, we obviously reflect on the match as well as the programme. On Wednesday, with Rhys

with manager Andy King, talking about his selection. Among other things he talked about 16-year-old Ben Wells who was on the bench for the senior side for the first time: "He's had a major impact since coming in the summer, he played at Grays pre-season, has a great attitude and is a great kid who's been playing well in the youth-team. We had to ask his first name for the teamsheet - I only know him as 'Wellsy' - he's just a good little footballer with loads of energy."

Other guests included Bob Holt, Sandie Gray and Don Rogers. What more is there to learn about the club's recently-voted Cult Hero?! It turns out he could so easily

**It later turned out she was listening to our conversation on the radio, including the Andy King interruption suggesting he should have a shave!!!**

Evans rested from the first-team, we were fortunate to have the benefit of his knowledge in the commentary-box.

Before kick-off, we were live in the dugout

have been a Bristol City player: "I went off to play for Somerset Schoolboys in the afternoon, returned home with Bert Head, the then Swindon manager, who had a

Luke Garrard enjoys the post-match attention...



contract in his pocket which I signed at around 6 o'clock in the evening. At 7, Fred Ford turns up to sign me for Ashton Gate, he was an hour too late!"

Post-final-whistle interviewees obviously included "The Gaffer" and Luke Garrard. While Jerel Ifill was officially man of the match, there was widespread praise amongst the 7,500-plus crowd for the 19-year-old defender who went on to give his first-ever interview: "Never expected it to be that many, but you could hear 'em all the time. I was nervous all day ahead of the big occasion but enjoyed

it loads. Pros here are brilliant, youth-team are quality, with Woany & Iffy it's brilliant. I came here from Spurs as a centre-back but was altered to right-back."

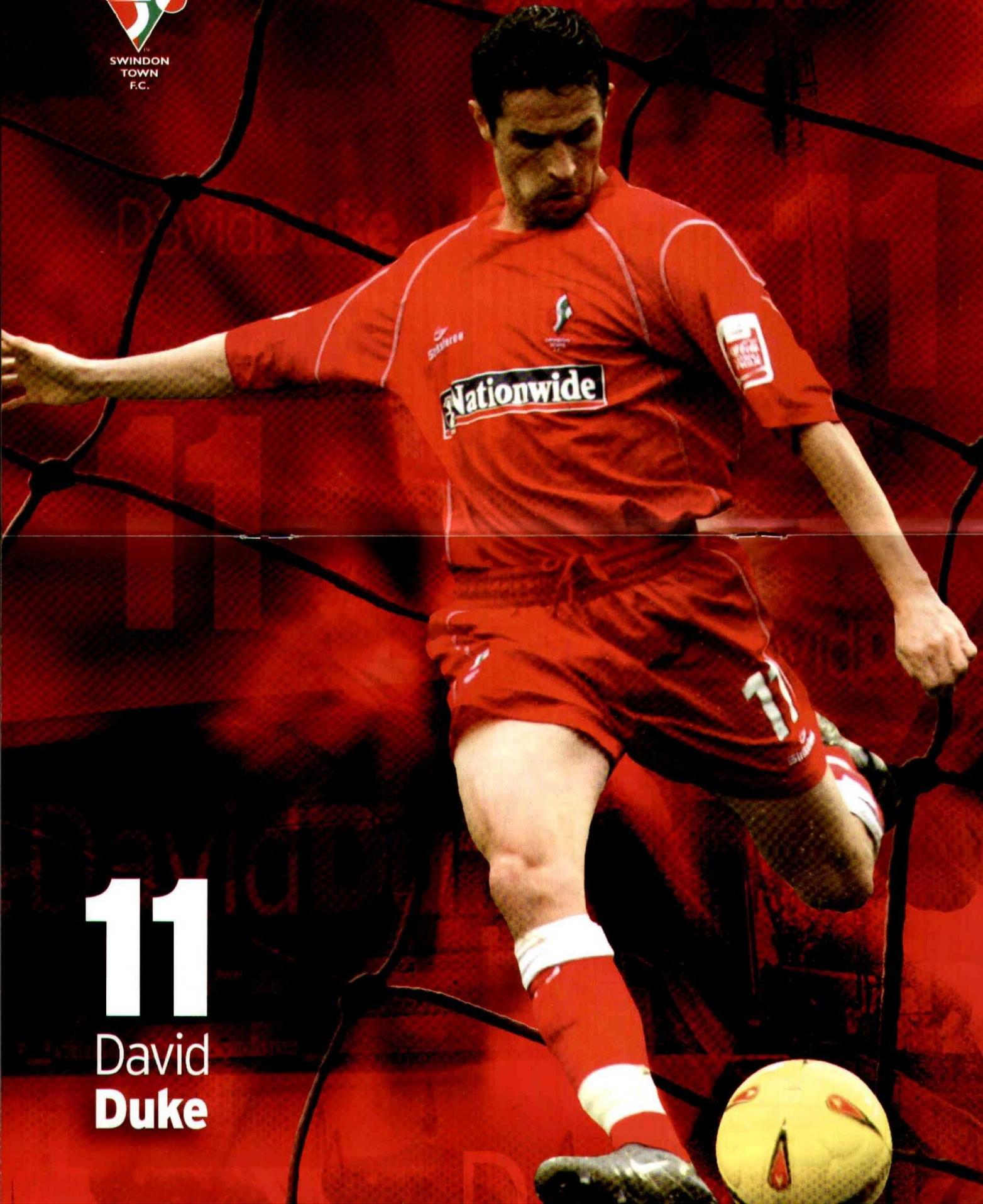
I noticed he embraced his family and girlfriend at full-time. It later turned out she was listening to our conversation on the radio, including the Andy King interruption suggesting he should have a shave!!!

We're back on the air today, and 'cos it's an F A Cup game, don't forget to alert Town fans in exile to our web commentary via [www.bbc.co.uk/wiltshire](http://www.bbc.co.uk/wiltshire)



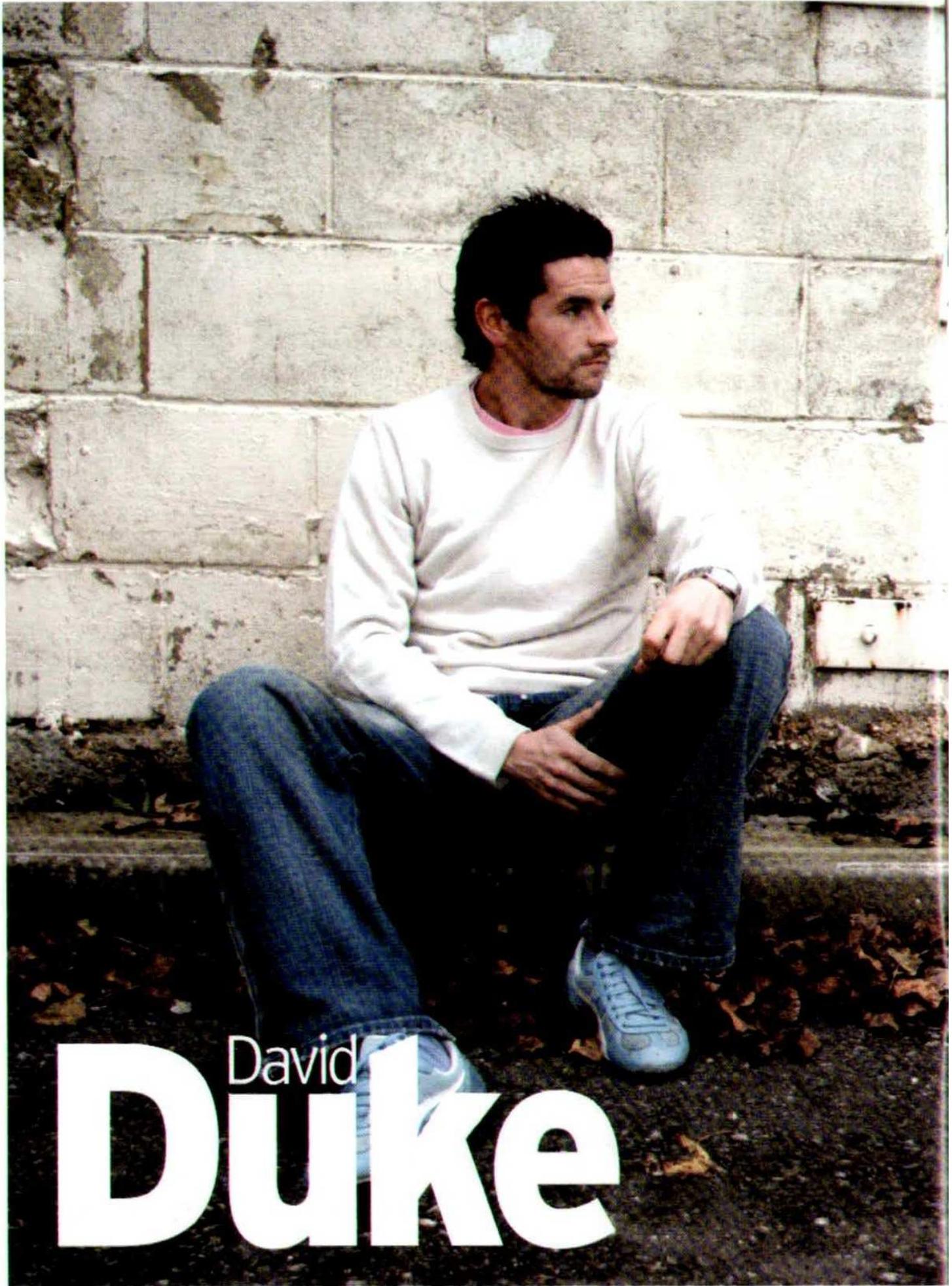
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## An invigorated David Duke on massages, pub quizzes and facing the Magpies...

Words: Nick Judd

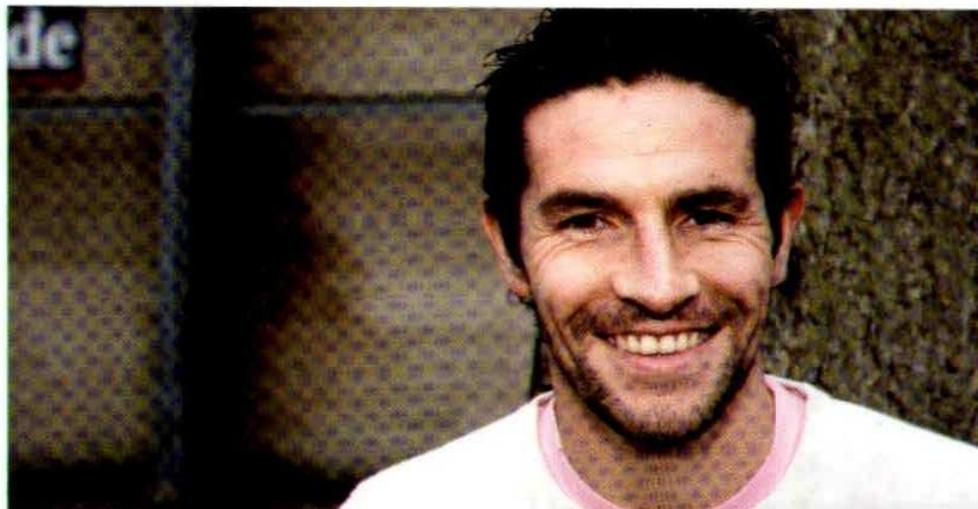
**D**ick Mackey had better watch out. That's if the latest developments are true anyway, for rumour has it that Swindon Town's in-form left-sided midfielder/defender ("It's hard to know what my best position is..."), David Duke, is learning to be a masseuse.

Yes folks, as well as training his left foot to be as good as his right (something he's had to do all his career), it

seems as though our favourite Scotsman is now training his hands as well. Having just turned 26, it seems as though Dukey is already casting one eye beyond his playing career...

I suppose in the unpredictable world of football one can never be too careful, but before he hangs his boots up for good (not for a few years yet we hope, too), the former Sunderland player has his eye on at least one trip to Cardiff...

**Today's tie against Notts County is certainly more agreeable and having played against them in pre-season we know what they're all about**



**It was a welcome rest for you in midweek - what was your reaction to your team-mates' efforts against City?**

I was resting my hamstring and to be honest it was nice to watch a game for a change! I thought the lads were excellent too; it was a good team performance.

**I thought all footballers hated watching from the sidelines?**

I think when it's a prolonged absence, through injury perhaps, then after a while you want to be involved again. I find watching the odd game is nice, it gives you a different perspective.

**Luke Garrard's performance was one of the highlight's of the evening - what did you make of his contribution?**

He was brilliant, didn't look phased at all. He had a lot of the ball and looked very accomplished.

**And of course we're now just two games away from Cardiff in the LDV now... Who do you**

**fancy between Bristol Rovers, Leyton Orient and Southend in the southern semi-finals?**

I think it would be nice to avoid Rovers because now that we're close, we'd like an uncomplicated home tie. We're definitely a home team this year. But it's weird this season, in previous years the LDV tournament has come second to everything else, we've not really focused on it. This time we've looked to progress as far as we can and now I think we can really sense something could happen - none of the games would be easy but the three teams left are all beatable...

**It's FA Cup day today - how far can we go in the competition?**

I'm not sure, but we were very aggrieved to be drawn against such a strong side in the first round! Today's tie is certainly more agreeable and having played against Notts County in pre-season we know what they're all about. I think at a club like ours you have to be realistic, winning the tournament isn't going to happen. As

a result it's like no other competition, you tend to take it round by round as opposed to looking too far ahead. It's a great experience for us as players, but it's obviously better for the club from a financial point of view the further we get.

**Your goal-scoring record against today's opponents isn't bad...**

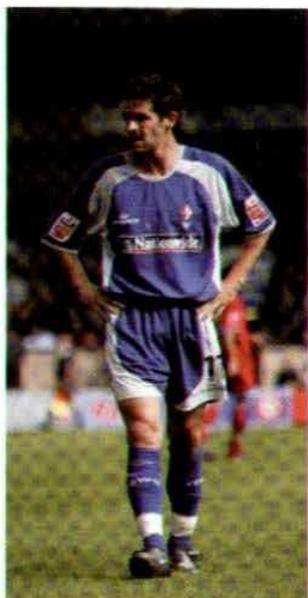
I remember scoring one in the Gaffer's first game back in charge. And then there was another against 'Mildy' (former Swindon goalkeeper, Steve Mildenhall) when we beat them 5-1 - that was sweet.

**That's almost a third of all your goals...**

Probably!

**I may have to put a few quid on you this afternoon then. Unfortunately it looks as though it won't be Mildy picking the ball out of the net, the former Town keeper leaving Notts County this week...**

Yeah, it sounds like he's not had the best of







times there. A change in management can often hinder your progress and I think that's what happened.

**Your performance in the last round against Sheffield Wednesday was one of your best this season - have you been happy with your form in recent weeks?**

My form dipped leading up to that game and in truth, the whole side wasn't really playing at all well. It's harder to raise your game when the rest of the side is also struggling - we were just playing so poorly, the passing wasn't right and there was no continuity. Now we seem to be

flying, you can see the confidence flowing at the moment and it helps your own game. Whether that's down to the new system or what, I don't know? Even last week, we lost but played well against a team that we're not really suited to playing against. As long as we're in a position to strike in the New Year, we'll be fine. I think we're in a stronger position than we were this time last year...

**Do you think having a consistent strike partnership helps? Last year it was Parkin and Mooney all the way, and now that Christian has settled alongside Sam we seem to be**

**a lot more confident going forward?**

Definitely. The top two are playing very well. We were all surprised how quickly Christian settled in and between them, they seem to bring the best out of each other.

**You've played in virtually every position on the field - but what would you say is your favoured position?**

A lot of people ask me this, and it's hard to say. As a wing-back your role kind of depends on how the team is playing. It's great when we're playing well, and in the last few weeks in particular you'll have seen me getting

**I've actually always played on the left-hand side but I am right-footed. There have always been places for left-sided players in the teams I've played for, so I've just got used to it.**

forward more because we're working well at the back and attacking positively. Last week at Chesterfield the second half was very defensive, and in those games you have to run and mark and it's not as enjoyable. As a wing-back you get more freedom, but I've enjoyed playing at full-back too.

**Everybody seems to think you came here as a right-sided player - can you clarify the myth once and for all?!**

I've actually always played on the left-hand side, I am right-footed, but there have always been places for left-sided players in the teams I've played for, so I've just got used to it! I'm not as good as a natural left-footer, but it's helped my game and I've always got my right foot to fall back on.

**So you played on the left at Sunderland too?**

Yes.

**What happened, a few Sunderland fans suggested you had a good future ahead of you there?**

Mentally I wasn't ready. I

came into the club as an 18-year old and hadn't benefitted from coming up through the ranks. A lot of the young lads were better prepared than I was, and while I was getting through it and maturing, I never felt as though I had a chance to progress in my time there. It was hard to join the first team and reserves as a young kid, and it didn't help that there were a number of senior players ahead of me playing so consistently for the firsts.

**Still, you haven't done too bad out of your move to Swindon though - you've figured in more than 200 games!**

The first two years was an excellent learning curve for me. It was tough at the time and our results reflected the fact that we were all young and inexperienced. To go straight into the Second Division having played reserve team football is tough, it's a different type of football. The brush with relegation toughened us all up mentally, though. Those of us that were here all benefited from that season.

**Away from the field we hear you've been training to become a masseur? Is this setting**

**you up for a career as a physio? Should Dick (Mackey) be worried?**

I'm not sure about that! I actually finished that course last year and I'm now a fully qualified sports masseur - I've got my certificate. At the end of the day a football career doesn't last forever and while I don't know what I want to do when it's finished, I'd like to have given myself as many opportunities as I can. I'm interested in the fitness/nutrition side of things, so maybe that's something I could pursue. I think if I was to go more into the physio side of things I'd have to go to university and all sorts, it could be a lot of hard work.

**If that doesn't work you can always fall back on winning quizzes to pay the bills - we hear you and some of the lads like the odd pub quiz...**

(Laughs) Yeah, there are six or seven of us that like to do it. I must say I can't take any credit for many of the right answers, I'm well below average when it comes to chipping in - unless it's golf related... Rhys is the clever one.





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## Ladies Fixtures 04/05

Sep 5	Clevedon	2-1
Sep 12	Reading Royals	0-2
Sep 19	Forest Green	3-2
Sep 26	Reading	6-3
Oct 3	Newton Abbot	3-0
Oct 10	Keynsham	3-5
Oct 31	Bath City FAC1	4-0
Nov 7	Chesham	2-3
Nov 14	Clevedon FAC2	2-1
Nov 28	Plymouth	P-P
Dec 5	Langford FAC3	H
Dec 12	Forest Green	H
Jan 9	Newton Abbot	A
Jan 23	Launton	H
Jan 30	Clevedon	A
Feb 6	Reading Royals	H
Feb 13	Reading	A
Feb 27	Keynsham	H
Mar 6	Cardiff City	A
Mar 13	League Cup SF	
Mar 27	Chesham	A
Apr 3	Plymouth	H
Apr 24	Launton	A
TBC	Cardiff City	H
Midweek	Oxford City	H&A

All games played on Sundays unless stated. Kick off 2:00pm

## Next Home Match

Sunday 12th December 2004

### Swindon v Forest Green

See the girls in action on Sunday at Aldbourne FC. Kick Off 2:00pm. For more information call John White on 01793 824470.

# Ladies on Trophy Trail

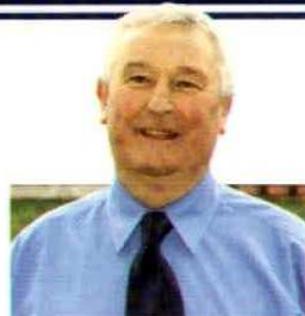
**The Town Ladies are in cup action tomorrow when they play host to Langford in the Third Round of the Women's FA Cup.**

Langford play in the Southern Division of the FA Women's Premier League, a league above the Town, and have won five and lost five games this season with four matches ending in draws. The Bedfordshire side have just entered the competition being exempt from the first two rounds. The Town have already played two games to reach this stage, beating Bath City by four goals to nil

and Clevedon Town by two goals to one.

The Town Reserves have continued their winning run in the Wiltshire County League. They entertained Bradford on Avon and won by five goals to nil. April Poulden and Denise Daniel both scored twice and Pam Ashman completed the scoring with a 35-yard drive. The Town then played Wootton Bassett Town and after a goalless first half, Lisa Coe turned in Carly Smiths cross to get the points for the Town.

The Under Sixteen side went to Reading and won by two goals to nil



in the Surrey Primary League. Abi Curtin and Alicia Hazzard both found the net.

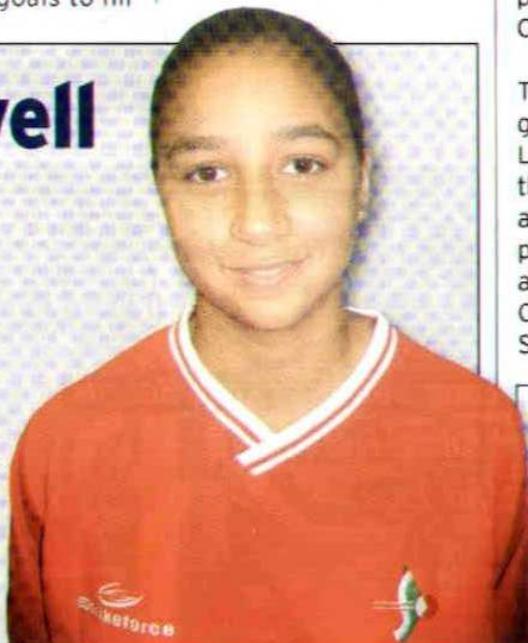
The Under Twelve "B" team visited Keynsham in the Wiltshire County League and won by ten goals to one. Hazel Matthews and Ellie Maynard both got a hat tricks, Nicola Coe scored twice plus a goal from Hayley Neate and an own goal.

The Under Twelve "A"s played Swindon Badgers and lost by six goals to nil and the Under Fourteens "B"s also lost to Swindon Badgers by nine goals to nil. Both of these games were played in the Wiltshire County League.

The Town's FA Cup game tomorrow against Langford, will be played at the Aldbourne FC Ground and will Kick Off at 1:00 pm. The Town Reserves are away in the Wiltshire County League and play Swindon Spitfires.

## one2one Chantelle Lovell

**Age:** 15  
**Home Town:** Swindon  
**Occupation:** Student  
**Position:** Midfield  
**Previous Teams:** None  
**How did you start playing football?**  
 "I started training at Coleview Juniors"  
**Favourite Team:** Newcastle  
**Favourite Player:** Alan Shearer  
**Favourite TV Program:** Friends  
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of their robot.

The overall winners were Covingham Park Junior School who will represent Swindon at the national final which is being hosted by Ford at their technical centre at Dunton.

We would like to thank Ivan Kirk, Dorcan Technology College for all of the organisation, Vanessa Purkiss, First Lego League for keeping the scores, Chris Ransom from Cranfield University for acting as a referee,

the student teachers who acted as judges, the students who took part in the excellent competition and all the other adults who assisted in the day.

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## Looking Ahead



**Good afternoon and welcome to this FA Cup clash against Notts County.**

We are just starting to wind down our after school clubs for the Christmas period which sees us this week going to our local schools for the last time in 2004. We would like to say a big thank you to our respective schools and the children who have made this term so enjoyable.

Next year sees us return to some of the schools with us venturing into pastures new such as Abbey Meads, which is a relatively new school, where we are hoping to establish good links for future activities.

You may have read in the Hull programme, information about our annual six-a-side competition that we have run over three Fridays at Greendown School. The primary

schools competition has seen Lanesmead and Greenmeadow from Swindon joined by St. Marys Primary from Chippenham who will compete in a three-way final here at The County Ground, sometime in January.

The girls under 13 competition sees a double-headed final contested by Sheldon School (Chippenham) who take on Dorcan Technical College

(Swindon). This match will also be contested on the same night as the above.

Our first big event of 2005 is our Half-Term Course on the 15th, 16th & 17th February. Places are filling quickly so please call us on 01793 421303 for further information or to secure your place.

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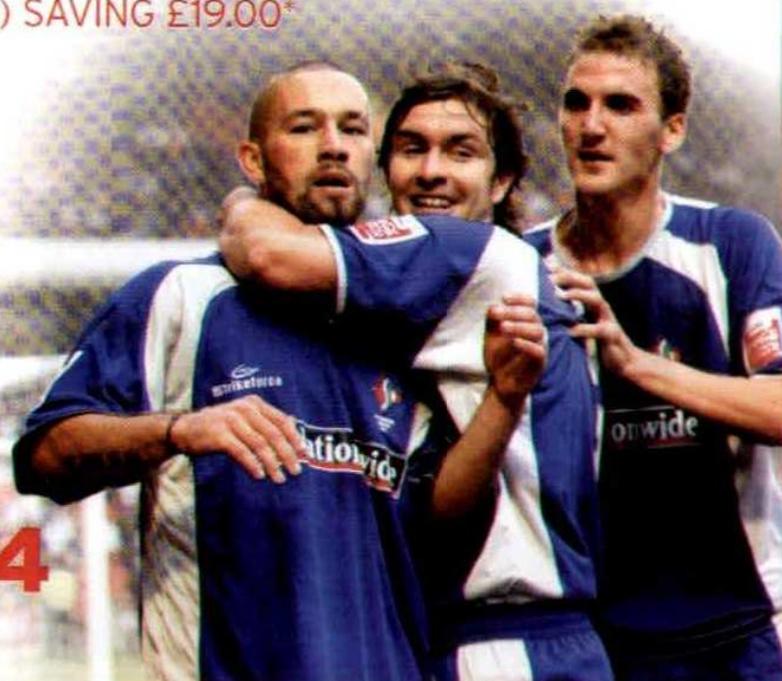
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# The FA CUP

## Second Round Preview

Gerard Butler takes a look at who's playing who in the Second Round, with a few possible upsets on the cards...



**F**orty teams stand just 90 minutes away from a potential dream tie with Premiership opposition in the next round, but in the twenty delicately poised ties, it's too close to judge who will make it, as a bumper crop of Non-League sides run shoulders with sides from League One and Two.

Unlike last time, there is not an obvious tie of the round, whilst matches between league colleagues are something of a rarity. The only all-One affair sees **Blackpool** and **Port Vale** paired at Bloomfield Road, with the hosting Tangerines having recovered from a nightmare start, and the Valiants having a decent season. Curiously, the home side are better away, whilst Vale have

reserved their best results for home, but it seems too close to call. The One versus Two combination is more common, though, as **Swindon Town**, fresh off the back of superb home wins against Sheffield Wednesday in the Cup and Hull City in the league, will be hot favourites against a **Notts County** still battling to avoid relegation from League Two. Less clear cut would appear to be basement side **Stockport County** against Two title hopefuls **Swansea City**, but Stockport put their league worries behind them in a stirring win against Huddersfield in the last round, with Swansea's form built on an excellent home record, rather than their average away form. County might just edge through. A

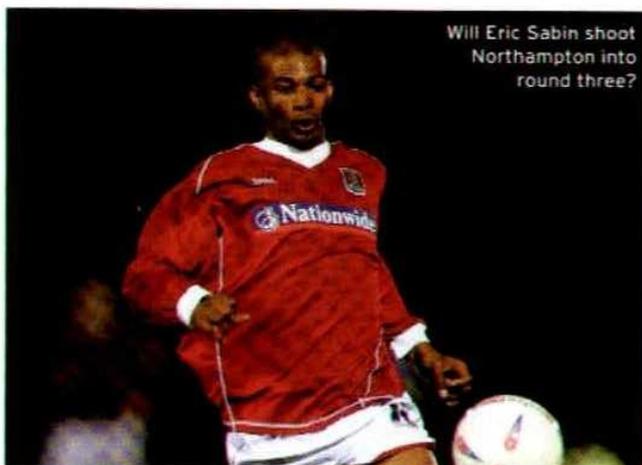
similar tie sees **Oldham Athletic**, who squeezed past Thurrock in the last round, at home to **Leyton Orient**, who are having their best season for a while. With only two losses on the road, and Lee Steele in inspired form, the away side could spring a minor shock.

A couple of matches have the League Two side at home, as **Wycombe Wanderers**, who have faded after a bright start, and are in transition following the departure of Tony Adams, are at home to One leaders **Luton Town** in an intriguing local derby. Town crushed Southend in Round One with a triple early burst, with their wobble most definitely over, and they should feature in the next round with ease. Not so **Wrexham**, as they travel to a side top of League Two, **Scunthorpe**, who eased past Chesterfield last time around and look likely to claim another victim from the league above, such is their strength at home, and given the Red Dragons' current problems. Two League Two sides meet as **Northampton Town** are rewarded for beating Barnsley by

being handed a home tie with **Bury**. The Cobblers are good at home with Eric Sabin and Scott McGleish forming a useful forward partnership. This should give them a slight edge against a Shakers side close to them in the table.

Meanwhile, two all-League ties were confirmed after replay results. League One promotion hopefuls **Hull City** will entertain League Two **Macclesfield Town**, for the third time in five seasons in the FA Cup, with the Silkmen having a good record against the Tigers. However, City's strong home record should see them edge through with a narrow victory as Brian Horton returns to one of his former clubs. **Rushden & Diamonds** meanwhile, host **Colchester United**, and if the home side can maintain the defensive solidity which saw them win at Bradford in the last round, they can progress, but they will need to overcome a modest goals scored record.

An above average number of First Round shocks, as well as the collection of all-Non League ties, means sides from outside the



Will Eric Sabin shoot Northampton into round three?

league feature heavily, with many justifiably confident of further progress, especially as they have almost exclusively been drawn at home. Conference National **Exeter City** will be confident of a second league scalp, following their dispatch of Grimsby Town, as League One **Doncaster Rovers** return to the South West after winning at Tiverton Town in the last round. Rovers have poor away form, with six defeats on the road already, as their bright start has faded. An upset seems less likely than last time, but still distinctly possible. **Halifax Town** are one of the Conference's form sides at present, and like Exeter, will be looking for back-to-back wins against league opponents at the Shay, but visiting **Two Chester City** are hard to beat, particularly away from home, and a replay seems likely. **Stevenage Borough** have been doing well in the Conference too, as the league experience of their signings begins to tell, and with their cup pedigree, playing a struggling **Rochdale** side, it looks a good time for Boro' to emulate their 1997/8 heroics. **Hereford United's** assignment against **Boston United** looks tougher, but the hosts have plenty of attacking talent and their visitors have only one away win, although 2002 Conference winning manager Steve Evans' knowledge of the non-league game may prove a key factor.



Alex Rhodes scores the winning penalty for Brentford in their second round replay

In particular, **Aldershot Town**, who have faded lately in their Conference title push would have been disappointed that their home game with League One **Hartlepool United** is not at home. Unbeaten at home, United boast one of the best records on their own patch in the country, in stark contrast to their away record which has seen eight losses from nine, and it seems difficult to predict anything but a home win.

One shock in the replays saw Conference National **Carlisle United** defeat Bristol Rovers after extra time, their reward being a tough test at League One play-off hopefuls **AFC Bournemouth**, who eliminated Forest Green, also of the Conference, in a replay. The Cherries average two goals per home game, but Carlisle's talented side has enough to earn a replay, as they are stronger away from home. Conference North **Hinckley United's** reward for beating Torquay in the last round is a home match with fellow League One side

**Brentford**, who beat Bristol City in a televised replay 4-3 on penalties. The hosts are a very solid unit, boasting the vast league experience of striker Paul Barnes, whilst the Bees are having a wobble at the moment, but should have enough creativity to progress, even though it might take a replay. **Histon**, of the Southern Premier League, and one of the four lowest ranked sides remaining, hit the headlines by beating League Two Shrewsbury Town in the First Round, but **Yeovil**, although in the same division, are a much stiffer proposition, as they are pushing for promotion. Their Non-League background should mean they don't underestimate their Cambridgeshire hosts, and they should go through.

A sprinkling of other sides from further down the Non-League Pyramid also feature. Conference South title chasers **Cambridge City**, in great form of late, are at home to League One strugglers **Milton Keynes**, who are leaking almost two goals

a game. With a prolific side facing a team bereft of goals and confidence, it looks a very likely giantkilling. Two of the lowest sides still involved in the competition play each other in an intriguing local derby. Ryman Premier colleagues **Slough Town**, who humbled Walsall in the first round, play host to current divisional leaders **Yeading**. With both sides boasting some talented forwards, and a Round Three berth guaranteed for the winner, these well-matched rivals will probably need a replay before they are separated. The trio is completed by Southern League **Bath City**, who eclipsed the run of Team Bath two seasons ago by reaching the Second Round with a stunning win at Conference leaders Barnet. They now travel to Barry Fry's **Peterborough United**, who have a distinctly modest home record, and are struggling, but should have enough quality to bring City's brave run to an end.

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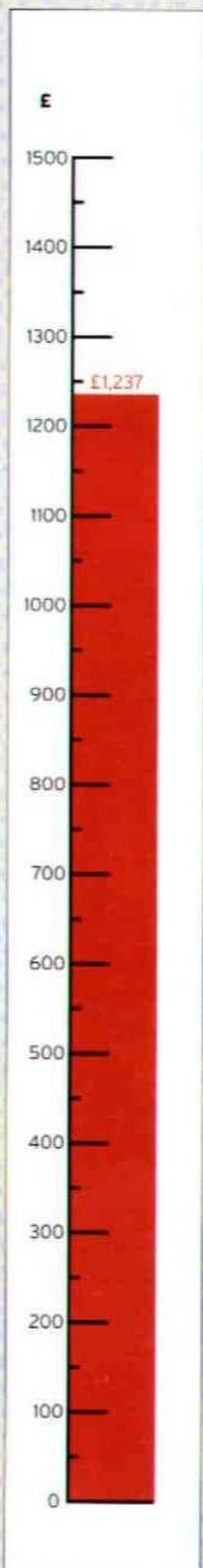
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# Where are they now?

— part one —

**S**windon Town won the Second Division Championship in the 1995/96 season. We take a look at what's happened to that squad eight years later...

## Dean Hooper

A journeyman of the higher echelons of non-league football, Hooper joined Swindon from Hayes but failed to make a big impact and is now turning out for St. Albans City, where he lines up alongside former Town defender Ben Martin.

## Fraser Digby

After finishing his professional career with a short spell at Kidderminster Harriers, he now works in the Sales & Marketing Department at The County Ground. He also works as Marketing Director for Millennium Taxis.



## Ty Gooden

Signed from Wycombe in the summer of 1993, Gooden amassed nearly 170 appearances for Swindon before his professional career was cut short by injury whilst at Gillingham. Remember the THAT goal against Rotherham United?



## Jonathon Trigg

Physio for around three seasons with STFC, he departed for Portsmouth before returning to his native Jersey where he is now training to be an accountant.

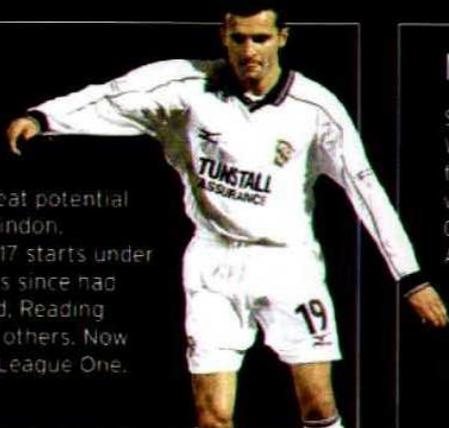
## Paul Allen

After 500 appearances as a professional, Paul Allen is now working in the commercial department at the PFA. He left Town in January 1997 for Bristol City, before ending his career at Millwall.



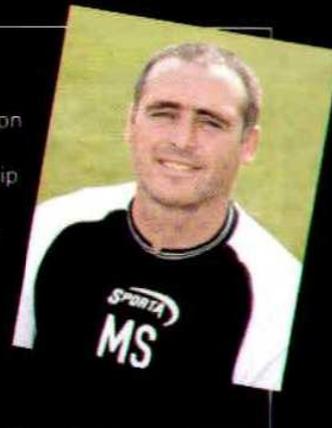
## Alex Smith

Signed from Everton alongside Peter Holcroft in January 1996. Smith showed great potential during his stay with Swindon. However, he made just 17 starts under Steve McMahon and has since had spells with Huddersfield, Reading and Port Vale amongst others. Now playing at Wrexham in League One.



## Mark Seagraves

Signed for £100,000 from Bolton Wanderers in 1995. Seagraves formed a formidable partnership with Shaun Taylor during the Championship winning season. After a move to Barrow, he once again teamed up with Steve McMahon at Blackpool as Assistant Manager until his departure.



## Mike Spearman

Chairman during the Championship winning season of 1995/96. Mike is now an ambassador for STFC and continues to follow the side home and away. He also provides a warm welcome in the Boardroom at The County Ground.

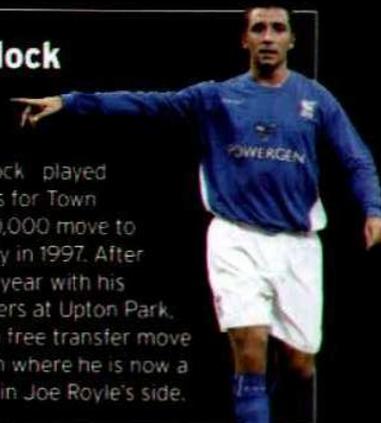
## Steve McMahon

Joined Town as player-manager in 1994 for the cut price fee of £100,000. He led Swindon to the Division Two championship the following year, but during the next three years he failed to bring the club above 17th position. After resigning in September 1998, he took over as Manager of Blackpool in January 2000 before being replaced by Colin Hendry.



## Kevin Horlock

A former West Ham trainee, Horlock played over 150 games for Town before a £1,250,000 move to Manchester City in 1997. After returning for a year with his former employers at Upton Park, he completed a free transfer move to Ipswich Town where he is now a regular starter in Joe Royle's side.



## Peter Thorne

After a successful two-season spell with Town, Thorne departed for Stoke City in August 1997 where he stayed for four seasons before a £1.7 million move to Cardiff City, where he has now made over 100 appearances for The Bluebirds.



## Martin Ling

Signed from Exeter City in 1986 for £25,000. Martin Ling enjoyed a fruitful career with Town before signing for Leyton Orient in 1996. Having finished his career at Brighton, he returned to Brisbane Road where he is now Manager.





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# RedArmy

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## STFC Photo Gallery

### Swindon in Dubai

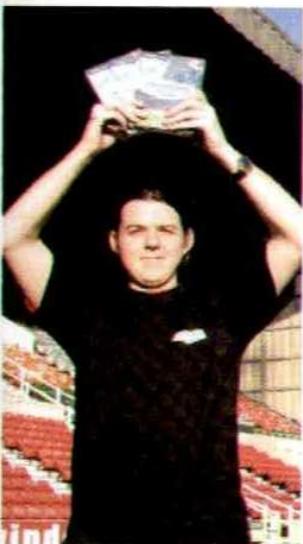
Loyal fan Lesley Broderick pictured top left with her brother Andrew who is now living in Dubai.



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## STFC Xmas



**This year's Swindon Town FC Carol Service will take place at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Tovey Road, Pinehurst.**

The date has been set for Monday 20th December with a 7.00pm start. All supporters, family and friends are invited to attend. After the service, there will be a reception in the Winners Lounge.

Please join both players and officials for this festive gathering, following on from the successful services at Christchurch in previous years.

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The current sets of kit were implemented as new strips for this season only. Both those shirts will expire in June 2005 when a new strip, to be decided by you, will be introduced.

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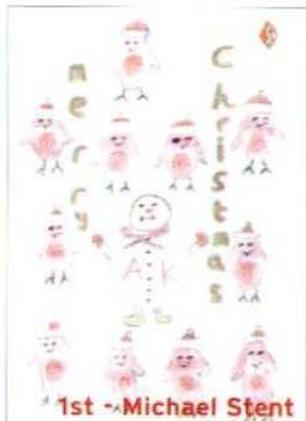


# JUNIOR ROBINS



I would like to start by saying thank you to Michael Stent, Chloe Tuck, Hannah Clinch, Luke Archer, Lauren Davidge, Lizzie Skeates, Megan Maskelyne, Jordan Tidd, Charlie Archer, Jonathan Pill and Joshua McCarthy who all submitted entries to this year's Christmas card competition.

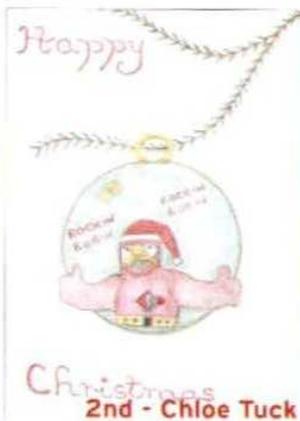
The ages ranged from 5 to 12 years old and it was very difficult to choose a winner. Congratulations go to Michael Stent whose winning design will be used as this year's official Junior Robins card. You will receive a framed card signed by all



1st - Michael Stent

the players. Well done!

Sadly, the Junior Robins coach to Chesterfield had to be cancelled. Apologies go to those of you who had booked, but there was just not enough interest to run the coach. I appreciate that it is an expensive time of year especially with three home games in a week. We have had very little response this



2nd - Chloe Tuck

season for reciprocals and we have already travelled to Bristol City and Stockport County. Watch this space for details on other trips next year.

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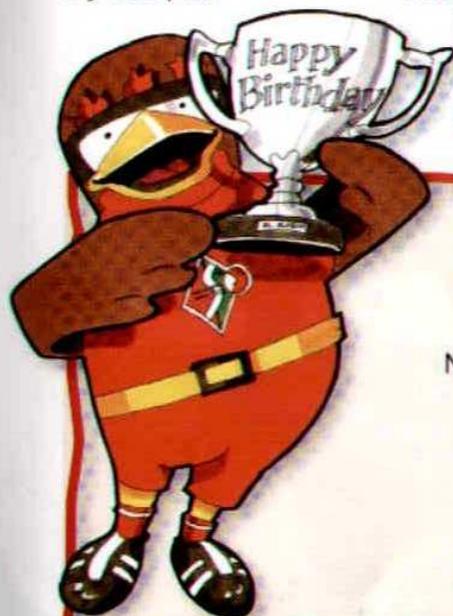
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3rd - Lizzie Skeates

your Christmas party invitation within the next few days. The disco will be in the Winners Lounge on Monday 20th December from 6 - 10pm and costs £1.50 for juniors and £1 for parents. Please return these forms to me asap. There will also be an opportunity to meet some of the players and get autographs.

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## Ground:

To be honest, I have not

been since it was known as Dean Court. It looks quite impressive these days on three sides though. What is it with clubs and three sided grounds?? Apparently these days Away fans are located on one side of the East Stand, at one side of the pitch. The normal allocation for this area is 1,500 fans and is shared with home supporters. The view is good and you can make plenty of noise. Beer is served on the concourse as well as such delights as the allegedly delicious 'Football's Famous Chicken Balti Pie' (£2.20).

## Fave game:

I'm going to get a bit obscure on this one and say, 28th January 1987, Freight Rover Trophy Southern Area First Round, 0-0 after 90 minutes, Bournemouth went 2-0 up in extra time but we battled back with two goals from Peter Coyne and won on penalties would you believe it? We went out of that competition at the area semi final stage under somewhat controversial circumstances to an Aldershot side which included a certain Mr. Andy King!

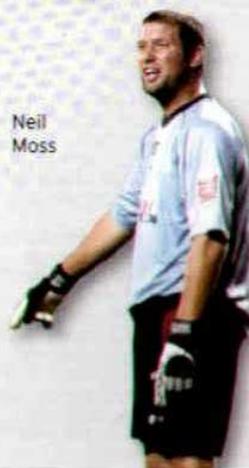
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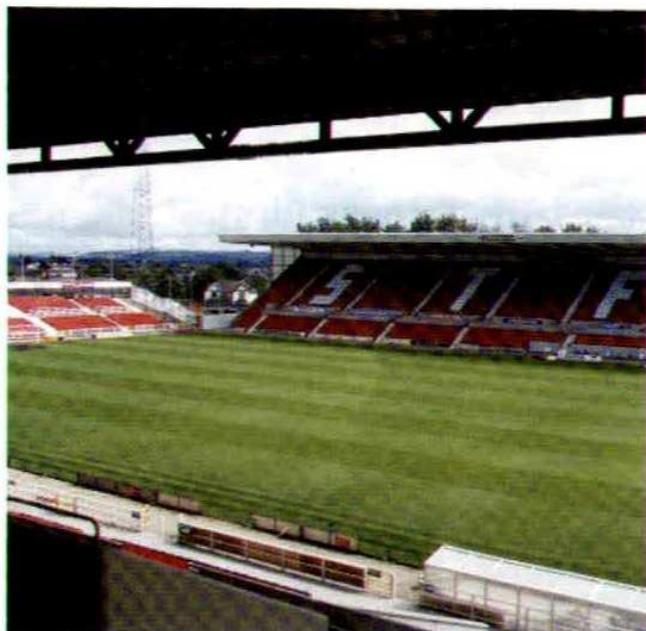


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Wheelchair Enclosure / Helper	£10.00	£10.00
<b>Arkells Stand</b>		
Adult	£21.00	£23.00
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Junior	£7.00	£9.00
Wheelchair Enclosure / Helper	£10.00	£10.00
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Adult	£19.00	£19.00
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Junior	£4.00	£4.00
<b>Town End</b>		
Adult	£15.00	£15.00
OAP / Student	£12.00	£12.00*
Junior	£9.00	£9.00
Wheelchair Enclosure / Helper	£10.00	£10.00

\* Please note NO student tickets are available on matchdays

\*\* Maximum 3 children per adult in Family Enclosure

## BookingInfo

### Opening Hours

The Box Office is open from 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday, Matchday Saturdays from 9am to Half-Time, and Full-Time to 5:30pm. Non matchday Saturdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Midweek matches from 9:00am to 8:30pm and full-time to 10:00pm.

### Call - 0870 443 1894

Have your credit or debit card details at the ready.

### Fax - 01793 333 780

Please state clearly the game(s) you wish to buy tickets for, the number of tickets you want, what type of ticket (Adult, OAP, Student or Junior) the value and your credit or Debit Card details including your name and address. State if you wish to collect the tickets or have them posted.

### Email -

[enquiries@swindontownfc.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@swindontownfc.co.uk)  
Enquires only.

### Payment

Payment can be made by cash, cheque (made payable to Swindon Town Football Club - no later than five days before travel) or by credit/debit card. All bookings must be paid for by 9:00pm on the Thursday prior to the match.

### Away Travel - 01793 536 757

SAS Travel organise coach trips for all away games. Their County Ground Booking Office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10:00am & 2:00pm and on Thursday evenings between 7:00pm & 9:00pm and before all Home games until 15 minutes before kick off. The SAS Travel Club 24-hour answer phone info service is 01793-825935.

## ComingUp...

### STFC vs. Huddersfield Town

Wednesday 8th December, KO 7:45pm

#### at The County Ground

Tickets are now on sale from the ticket office...



### STFC vs. Doncaster Rovers

Saturday 11th December, KO 3:00pm

#### at The County Ground

Tickets are now on sale from the ticket office...



### STFC vs. AFC Bournemouth

Saturday 18th December, KO 3:00pm

#### at Fitness First Stadium

Currently Waiting for tickets to arrive.  
Will be Season Ticket holders only to start with...

### Prices

Adult £16  
OAP/Student £8\*  
Child £6  
\*OAP over 65, student must have valid NUS card.



### STFC vs. Peterborough United

Sunday 26th December, KO 3:00pm

#### at London Road

All tickets are pay on the day...

### Seats

Adult £16  
OAP/Student £8  
Child £8

### Terrace

Adult £11  
OAP/Student £8  
Child £8



# UpNext...

## Gazette & Herald

Dave Wallis of the Gazette and Herald previews the next visitors to The County Ground...



Coca-Cola LEAGUE 1

Wednesday 8th Nov 2004  
KickOff 7.45pm

**I**t's a hectic time here at the County Ground and after successive cup matches, Town are in action at home again on Wednesday, this time in League One, with the opposition being Huddersfield.

Manager Peter Jackson took over at The McAlpine Stadium in June 2003 after Mick Wadsworth had been unable to keep the Terriers in Division Two. Jackson's influence was immediate, with promotion last May via the Play-Off victory over Mansfield.

Making three substitute appearances during the regular season, Iffy Onoura added a further two in the end-of-season



deciders and scored a 5th minute opener at Lincoln City in the 2-1 win in the semi-final first leg. He joined Walsall in the summer to augment Paul Merson's coaching staff, but of course big Iffy is now back at he County Ground working with another Town prodigal son, Ian Woan.

Last year's top scorer was Jon Stead with 19 goals, but he departed to Blackburn Rovers for £1.25m in February. Pawel Abbott has accepted the mantle of top striker this

term, with 13 in total to the end of November. A Polish U-21 international, he joined Huddersfield from Preston as Stead departed.

Midfielder Jon Worthington carried off last season's Player of the Year award and Nigerian international defender Efe Sodje has missed just a handful of games since joining The Terriers from Crewe in the summer of 2003.

Huddersfield have made a satisfactory, if not

outstanding start to the campaign. Nine away matches have seen three, draws, three wins and three defeats and a mid-table position represents the consolidation so valued by a recently promoted club.

The two Towns come head to head on Wednesday 8th December as the pre-Christmas football-fest continues, and this time league points are at stake. Robins v Terriers starts at 7:45pm. Be here or you might miss out.

# STFC2004/05

Kick-Off 3:00pm Saturdays,  
7:45pm midweek unless  
otherwise stated

Date	Fixture	Res	Att	Vis	Pos	1. RHYNS EVANS	2. SEAN O'HANLON	3. GRANT SMITH	4. MATT HEWLETT	5. ADI VIVEASH	6. ANDY GURNEY	7. SAMMY IGOE	8. RORY FALLON	9. SAM PARKIN	10. STEFANI MIGLIORANZI	11. DAVID DUKE	12. JEREL IFIL	13. MATT BULMAN	14. LLOYD OPARA	15. ANDY NICHOLAS	16. STEVE ROBINSON	17. BRIAN HOWARD	18. ALAN DEEVEE
Sat Aug 7	Wrexham	A	1-2	5,099	750	19th																	
Wed Aug 11	LUTON TOWN	H	2-3	6,286	675	23rd			SNU												SNU		
Sat Aug 14	MILTON KEYNES DONS	H	2-1	5,060	170	19th			17												SNU		
Sat Aug 21	Bristol City	A	2-1	13,389	1,826	12th																	
Tue Aug 24	Rushden & Diamonds (cc1)	A	1-0	1,672	395	→	SNU	23		1													
Sat Aug 28	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H	3-0+	5,365	198	7th			6														
Mon Aug 30	Walsall	A	2-3	5,951	947	10th			17														
Sat Sep 4	Colchester United	A	1-0	3,868	360	5th																	
Sat Sep 11	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H	0-1	5,777	158	11th			17		SNU												
Sat Sep 18	Blackpool	A	1-1	5,229	611	11th																	
Tue Sep 21	Leeds United (cc2)	A	0-1	18,476	980	*																	
Sat Sep 25	BRADFORD CITY	H	1-0	5,189	325	7th																	
Sat Oct 2	Stockport County	A	3-3	4,394	368	8th																	
Sat Oct 16	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	1-0	5,522	214	9th																	
Tue Oct 19	Port Vale	A	0-1	3,872	348	9th																	
Sat Oct 23	Barnsley	A	2-2	8,837	377	9th																	
Wed Oct 27	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	H	3-2	6,972	1,173	7th																	
Sat Oct 30	TORQUAY UNITED	H	3-3	6,724	663	7th																	
Tue Nov 2	Exeter City (LDV2)	A	2-1	1,898	tbc	→																	
Sat Nov 6	Tranmere Rovers	A	1-2	8,419	284	9th																	
Sat Nov 13	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (FAC1)	H	4-1	6,160	964	→																	
Sat Nov 20	HULL CITY	H	4-2	6,348	919	7th																	
Sat Nov 27	Chesterfield	A	0-1	4,244	378	10th																	
Tue Nov 30	BRISTOL CITY (LDVQF)	H	1-0	7,571	1,513	→			18	8													
Sat Dec 4	NOTTS COUNTY (FAC2)	H																					
Wed Dec 8	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H																					
Sat Dec 11	DONCASTER ROVERS	H																					
Sat Dec 18	Bournemouth	A																					
Sun Dec 26	Peterborough United	A																					
Tue Dec 28	BRENTFORD	H																					
Sat Jan 1	COLCHESTER UNITED	H																					
Mon Jan 3	Bradford City	A																					
Sat Jan 8	Sheffield Wednesday	A																					
Sat Jan 15	BLACKPOOL	H																					
Sat Jan 22	Brentford	A																					
Tue Jan 25	(LDV VANS TROPHY AREA SEMI-FINAL)																						
Sat Jan 29	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H																					
Sat Feb 5	Oldham Athletic	A																					
Sat Feb 12	BARNSELY	H																					
Sat Feb 19	Torquay United	A																					
Wed Feb 23	PORT VALE	H																					
Sat Feb 26	Doncaster Rovers	A																					
Sat Mar 5	BOURNEMOUTH	H																					
Sat Mar 12	Luton Town	A																					
Sat Mar 19	WREXHAM	H																					
Sat Mar 26	Milton Keynes Dons	A																					
Mon Mar 28	BRISTOL CITY	H																					
Sat Apr 2	Hartlepool United	A																					
Sat Apr 9	WALSALL	H																					
Sat Apr 16	Hull City	A																					
Sat Apr 23	TRANMERE ROVERS	H																					
Sat Apr 30	Huddersfield Town	A																					
Sat May 7	CHESTERFIELD	H																					



## Mascots



Today's mascot is 12-year old **Kieran Hayden** who attends Faringdon Community College. He watches the games here at The County Ground with his Mother and Grandmother. Kieran's favourite players are Andy Nicholas and Brian Howard and he plays in defence for Faringdon Under 13's.





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