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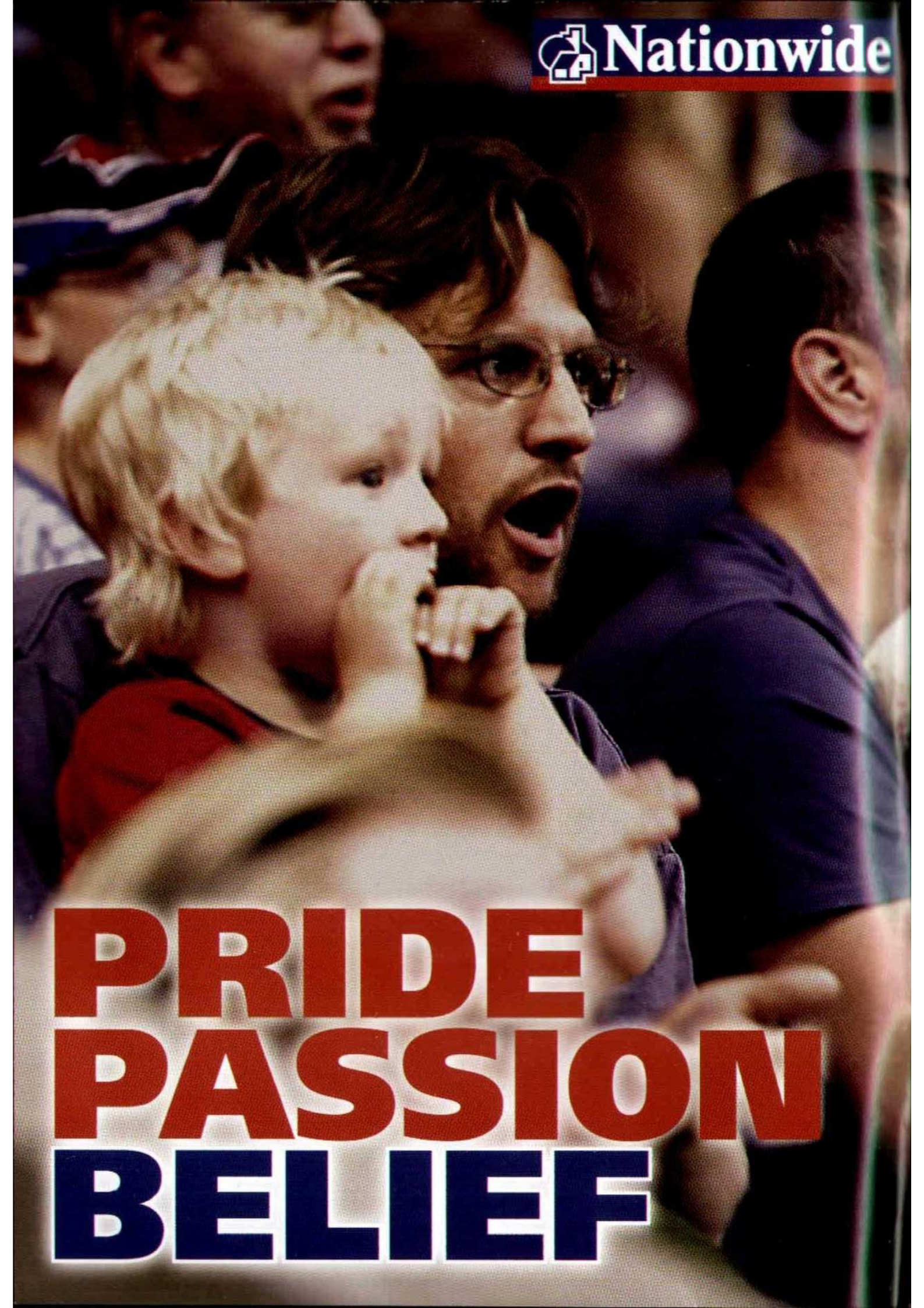


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EditorsComment

It's the last home game before Christmas with Blackpool in Town for another important encounter.

Ticket prices have been reduced in an effort to attract as many fans as possible through the gates for today's game so, if you are reading this, thank you for your support! Make as much noise as you can and let's hope we can finish the day with a significant home three points.

Inside STFC Magazine we speak to Rhys Evans about his return to the side and look back at the 1995/96 season in 'The Year That Was'. There is also a fans gallery featuring your snaps from around the world and match action from Barnsley, Rotherham United and Oldham Athletic.

Have a great Christmas!
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Did you know ?

Among the players to represent both Swindon Town and Blackpool in recent years are Lee Collins, Paul Edwards, Dave Bamber, Phil King, Alan Mayes and of course ex-Manager Steve McMahon.

Iffy Onuora



Last weekend's game brought about a mix of emotions. Having got ourselves into a creditable 2-0 lead we would have expected to hold out and take all three points.

Immediately after the game we were very disappointed, but on reflection, it was not such a bad point. We played well for an hour but then had a ragged fifteen-minute spell that cost us dear. The players know that they have to defend better as a unit and that is something that we have worked on in training this week. On a positive note we have taken four points from two away games and it has shown how far we have come that we were disappointed with a point at Oldham Athletic.

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across the squad now and that with four games over the Christmas period there will be changes to the side, even taking into account the injuries we

have. We need to try and make sure that the players are all hungry for the shirt and are kept on their toes. The competition we have in the squad means that if players are not performing, then there are players ready to get their chance. Those in the side have to keep their focus because we do have options.

As I have mentioned, the January transfer window will soon be on us and decisions have to be made on several players. There will be both comings and goings in the squad. I have a philosophy of the way we would like to play and

will influence the type of players I will be bringing in. In saying that, good players are flexible. For example, 'Stef' has played in defence and midfield

and that's the type of player that you want in your squad.

Andy Gurney is definitely out for the game today. He is back at Swansea City undergoing treatment and at the time of writing we are awaiting the results of some tests before we can get a clearer picture. Charlie Comyn-Platt sustained a thigh injury last weekend and will also miss out, whilst Christian Roberts remains a doubt.

Blackpool will be coming here today looking for a result but as the home team we have to take the game to them. We want to go out and win every game, but at The County Ground we will be making every effort to give the fans something to shout about and produce a performance which brings the best out of the players.

Enjoy the game,

Iffy Onuora

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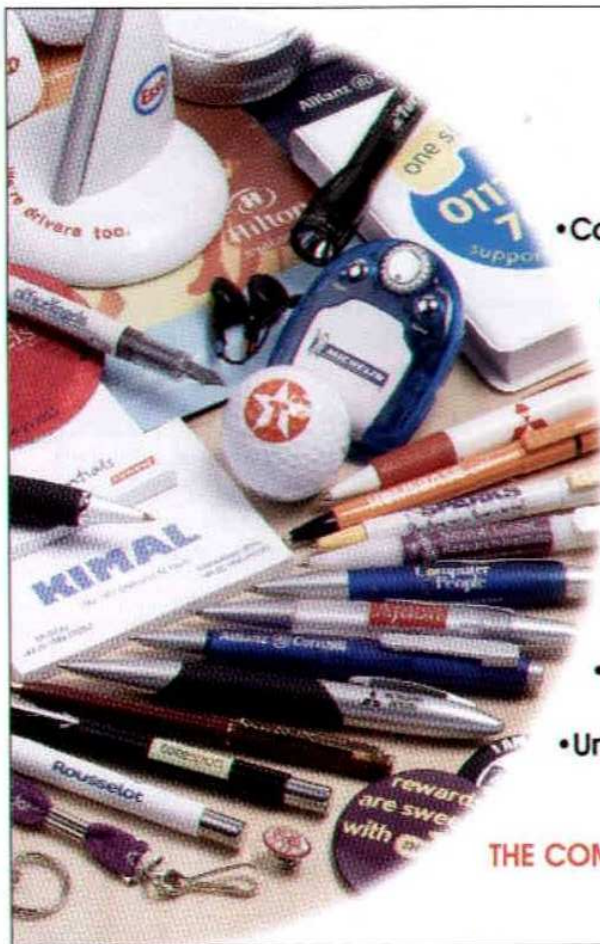


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Boardroom Talk



A very good afternoon to you all, and welcome to the County Ground for our final home fixture before the Christmas holiday. On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to welcome the visiting Directors, Players and Supporters who have made the long journey southward today.

There has been a lot of discussion over our desire to redevelop the County Ground, and I would like to take this opportunity to answer some questions I've been asked over the past few weeks.

The board of the club fully understand that our supporters want the club to remain in the town, preferably in its current location. I assure you that is our wish to. The club, to be successful and to have a reasonable chance of being self-financing in the future, needs to operate from a modern stadium. It needs facilities that meet the requirements of modern day supporters, and which will assist the club to build on its corporate support base. It needs to have facilities that can operate on a 7 day a week basis, generating crucial and much needed additional revenues. Some have said that we do not need 20,000 seats given our current attendances, but the same could be said of Reading or

Swansea who played to similar sized attendances in their old arenas, and who are now benefiting from the foresight to build 20,000 spectator seats. We currently pay £275,000 per annum in rent and rates to play football in a stadium that has many operational issues and is expensive for the club to maintain. Based on 25 home games a season this works out at more than £10,000 per game, before we even look at maintenance costs, stewarding, policing and medical costs. As you can see this places great strain on the finances, and the current set up simply does not give us an opportunity to make ends meet, which in turn affects how much we can invest into the playing squad, Centre Of Excellence etc.

This new state-of-the-art stadium would be built at the gateway to the Town Centre, and beside the world famous (or is that infamous) magic roundabout. It would put the town on the map, and help to prove that this town is serious about its sport. The whole community will benefit from the stadium's facilities, which will include classrooms, physiotherapy suite, conferencing rooms, and, hopefully, a centre for sports science. The council are on record, as part of their 50-point plan, that they wish for Swindon to become a centre for sports excellence, and the new stadium would be a major part of that. The cricket and athletics arenas will be moved to areas within the borough, which will allow both sports the chance to compete at national level - not possible from the current sites.

Much has been made that the club is looking for the council to 'gift' £25M worth of land, adjacent to the County Ground, to the club. This is not the case. We realise that the council must obtain best value for its

assets. What we are looking for is the council to buy in to the vision of the new stadium complex, and to utilise the funds raised from any possible sale of the adjacent land into a brand new stadium that they will, at least in part, be owners of, thus creating a new asset for the town.

Additionally, we would look to build a hotel, beside and joined to the stadium, similar to the Reading Madejski Complex, which has transformed and revitalised, not only Reading FC, but the town of Reading, and you cannot help but feel envious as you journey along the M4.

As with all plans of this type, the people who generally make themselves heard are those who oppose the scheme. If you want to see the club remain within the town, and you support our redevelopment plans, then please make yourself heard. You can e-mail your local councillor or local MP, or alternatively you can write to them, and you can find their details on the Swindon Borough Council website (www.swindon.gov.uk). You can write to the club directly, at the normal address if you prefer, and you can support the fans campaign by logging in at www.keeptowninswindon.org.uk. Together we can all make a difference, and ensure that the council don't allow wishy-washy indifference to get in the way of a fantastic opportunity for the club and the community.

Finally on behalf of the club could I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

Mark Devlin.



Keep Town in Swindon!

STFC supporters' groups have formed a united front in the battle to secure the redevelopment of the County Ground and the club's future in Swindon.

United under the banner of "Keep Town in Swindon", the group is a coalition of the official Supporters' Club, the Supporters' Trust (TrustSTFC) and the fans behind the "Loud and Proud" campaign, all determined to ensure that Swindon Town Football Club stays in the community that it serves.

Initially the campaign will focus on raising awareness with the general public and lobbying local

councillors to demonstrate there is a real groundswell of opinion within the town to urge both club and council to hammer out an agreement that will see the club stay at it's historic home. Leaflets have been produced to be handed out to Christmas shoppers and fans alike, pointing out the many benefits the club brings to the town. And the campaign have produced postcards which fans and local residents can send to their local councillors urging them to do all they can to keep the club in the town. Finally, there is a campaign website containing information as well as printable versions of all the campaign materials for fans and residents to download.

What supporters can do:

- * Come to the games! And bring banners saying you want to "Keep Town in Swindon"
- * Write or send in the postcards to local councillors
- * Check the website for updates, sample letters to councillors etc
- * Town fans who live outside the Borough are urged to write to the Council Leader, Mike Bawden, politely explaining how much you spend in the Borough because of the club and what a grave loss it would be for the town if the club left.

<http://www.keeptowninswindon.org.uk/>



Town Star Presents Awards

Swindon Town Captain Sean O'Hanlon was star guest at a football tournament at St.Lawrence's School in Lechlade, which hosted the annual 6-a-side football tournament recently.

O'Hanlon was on hand to present medals to the winners and runners-up of the tournament which involved school teams from Fairford, Down Ampney, Meysey Hampton, Kempford, St.Lawrence, Hatherop and Southrop.

Each school entered one squad of 8 players. Though Fairford, St.Lawrence and Kempford all entered two teams to even up the pools. The teams were mixed, with both boys and girls showing excellent attitudes and teamwork whilst playing together.

The Final was between Meysey Hampton and Fairford B. Both teams deserved their place in the final, both showing a good level of football. The game was still locked at 0 - 0 after 10 minutes, so a penalty shoot out occurred, with Meysey Hampton beating Fairford B 3 - 1 on penalties.

Book now for Poll and Sir Bobby

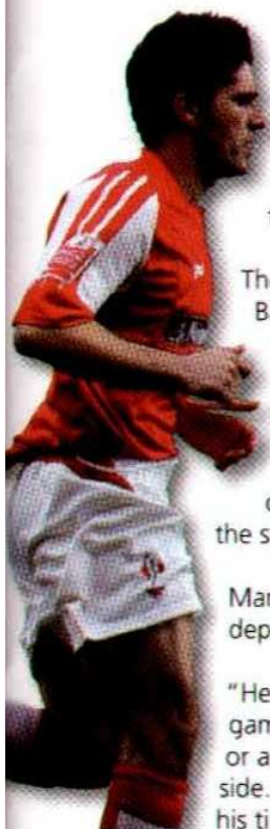
Swindon Town Football Club are delighted to confirm that Graham Poll and Sir Bobby Robson as guest speakers at the club's next two Sporting Dinners.

In March 2006, our guest speaker will be Graham Poll, the top Premier League and FIFA World Cup football referee. Graham did speak at one of the Club Luncheon's last year, and gave an in-depth insight into the other side of the game.

The final Sporting Dinner of the season sees one of football's 'greats' coming to the County Ground. After months and months of chasing, the Club have finally managed to secure Sir Bobby Robson as our guest speaker. He will be joined on the night by another legend from the world of goalkeeping, Bob 'The Cat' Bevan.

Both of these nights are bound to sell out fast, so if you want to confirm your places for one, or both of these nights, then just give Sarah Mildenhall a call on 01793 333718, or email Mike Sullivan on mike@swindontownfc.co.uk now.

Thorpe Departs STFC



On Monday afternoon Tony Thorpe left Swindon Town by mutual consent.

The frontman arrived from Coca-Cola Championship side Q.P.R. over the summer in a double deal, but struggled to break into the first team at The County Ground.

Thorpe started the season alongside Jamie Cureton at Barnsley but following the home defeat to Wycombe in the Carling Cup, was replaced in the starting eleven by Rory Fallon – who missed the first two games of the season with suspension.

He scored one goal for Swindon Town, which came in the 3-2 defeat against Oldham Athletic at the start of the season.

Manager Iffy Onuora gave his views following Thorpe's departure from the club.

"He is an experienced player and needs to be playing games at this point in his career, and for one reason or another just wasn't able to hold down a place in the side. Unfortunately it didn't work out for Tony during his time here and we wish him well in the future."

STFC Quiz Night

Swindon Town will be holding a Quiz Night on Thursday 19th January and YOU can be amongst those bidding to become the next County Ground quiz champions!

The club would like to thank the following companies who attended the last evening including Ecolab, Intel, Dunwoody Sports Marketing, 3663, PJM Security, Swindon Police and all others who attended.

There are limited spaces available so please book now to avoid disappointment. Entry is £5 per person, which includes a basket meal, with a maximum of 6 people per team.

For more details, or to book your place, please call Bar Manager Chris Abrook on 01793 333715 or Head Chef Clive Harper on 01793 333743.

Carol Service

The service will take place on Monday 19th December at 6.30pm at Christ Church and all supporters are invited to attend the event.

"It is a real family event and I would ask everyone to come along in club colours. Invite your friends and join the club's Officials, Management and Players in celebrating Christmas," said Club Chaplain Simon Stevenette.

If you have any questions or would like to know more information about the service, please call 01793 529166 or contact: The Revd Simon Stevenette, Christ Church Vicarage, 26 Cricklade Street, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN1 3HG. eMail: simon.stevenette@tiscali.co.uk



Nicho Pays a Visit

Town defender Andy Nicholas dropped into Headlands School recently to surprise one member of the school's staff.

Dee Jones, P/A to the Headmaster at the school, was given one final surprise from her fellow staff before leaving on maternity leave.

Jones, a Town fan, was handed several leaving presents from school staff before Nicholas arrived with a signed Town shirt to wish her well.

Also on the same day, Charlie Comyn-Platt and Ricky Shakes took time out after training to visit Churchfields School as part of anti-bullying week.

Opening Hours

STFC Box Office Christmas Opening Hours:

Friday 23rd December: 9am - 5pm
 Saturday 24th December: 9am - 12pm
 Monday 27th December: 9am - 5pm
 Tuesday 28th December: 9am - 5pm



Oldham Athletic

Wellens, 56, Liddell, 71

2



Swindon Town

O'Hanlon, 12, McDermott, 48

2

Sean O'Hanlon and Neale McDermott gave Town a two-goal lead, but goals by Ritchie Wellens and Andy Liddell levelled the scores leaving Iffy Onuora's men with a point.

Swindon arrived at Boundary Park full of confidence that their impressive away form could continue into the Christmas period. Town have been successful in their past two visits to Oldham, winning by a single goal on each occasion; and last week's victory at Rotherham gave the team added belief.

Both sides began brightly with the home team forcing three corners in the first three minutes. But it was Swindon who took the lead on 12 minutes, when Captain Sean O'Hanlon headed home a Jack Smith corner.

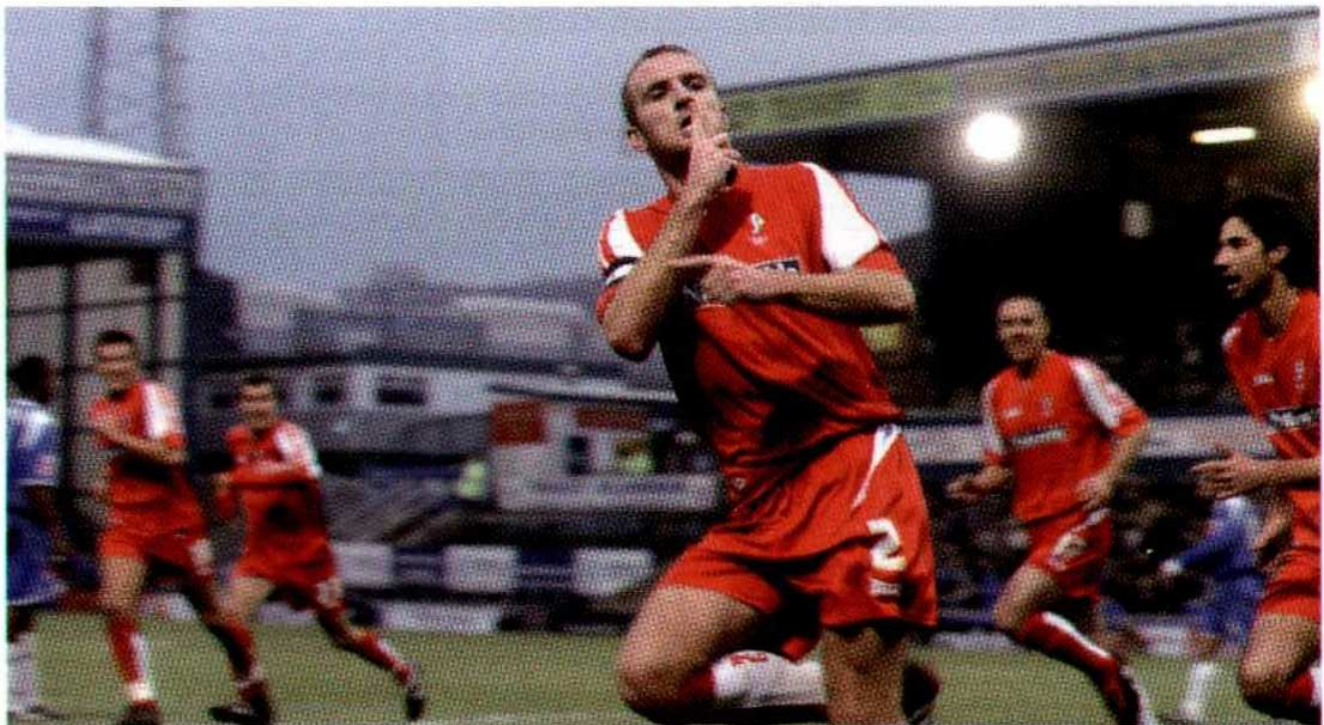
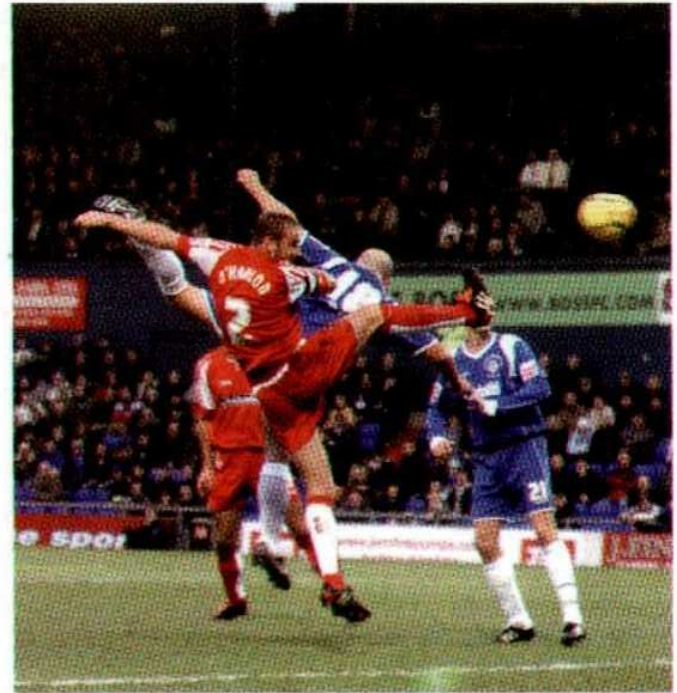
Town doubled their lead after the break after Neale McDermott's shot had rattled the Latics' crossbar. The rebound came out to Rory Fallon, who was fouled inside the area. The referee awarded a penalty much to the dismay of the home support, but Fallon's penalty was well saved by Chris Day diving to his left. However, the keeper was only able to palm the ball out to Bouazza. The Town striker was also denied by Day, but again the ball rebounded out into the six-yard box; this time Neale McDermott was on hand to finish the follow-up.

Oldham's first goal came on 55 minutes, after Luke Beckett had replaced Chris Porter. Oldham were awarded a free-kick on the right of the Swindon area which was quickly taken. As the cross came in, Ritchie Wellens poked the ball past Evans into the net.

On 69 minutes, Oldham's persistent pressure paid off. A chip into the Swindon area passed over Rhys Evans' head, striking the top of the crossbar with Liddell on hand to score the rebound.



Photos: Dave Evans, Swindon Advertiser



Oldham Athletic vs. Swindon Town

Goals	Cards	Sub'd			Goals	Cards	Sub'd
Day			Coca-Cola LEAGUE 1 Sat 10th December Boundary Park Kick-Off 3.00pm Attendance: 5,354 Referee: C. Oliver		Evans		
Hughes					Smith		
Branston	■				O'Hanlon	●	
Scott					Comyn-Platt		19'
Forbes					Nicholas		
Warne					Shakes		
Wellens	●				McDermott	●	65'
Butcher					Miglioranzi	■	
Edwards					Pook		
Porter		54'			Bouazza		
Liddell	●				Fallon	■	82'
Cronin					Heaton		
Tierney					Ifil		18'
Eyres					Whalley		
Owen			Brown		65'		
Beckett		54'	Mikolanda		82'		
			MATCH STATS				
			14	Shots	8		
			7	On Target	4		
			10	Fouls	13		
			11	Corners	3		
			1	Cards	2		
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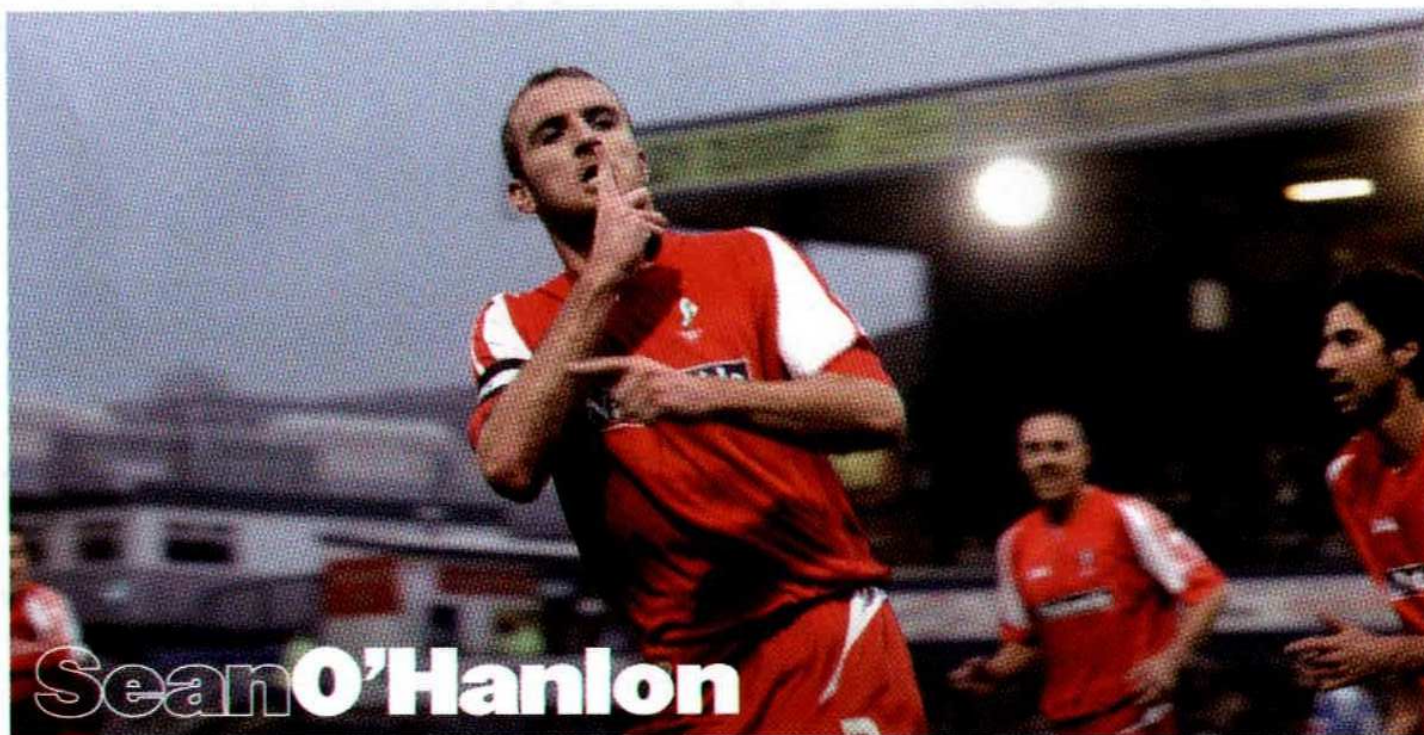
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Sean O'Hanlon

Good afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground for this League One home game with Blackpool...

Having missed the trip to Rotherham United with suspension, it was good to get back into the thick of the action at Oldham last weekend. We were all disappointed at the end of the game, but in reflection we would have settled for a point before kick-off. However, we worked hard for the lead and knew we could have come away with the win. There have been things for us to work on and I feel that concentration throughout the ninety minutes is something we have to really hone in on.

I was pleased to get onto the scoresheet last weekend at Oldham. We work very hard now on set-pieces on the training ground so it was nice to see one go in, which makes all the effort worthwhile especially when you put things into practice and they come to fruition.

Whilst the current league position we find ourselves in is not an enviable one, I firmly

believe we have the players here to get out of trouble and the win at Rotherham United really helped our cause. It was a massive result and a point last weekend was also useful. A win today would really help our cause and it is up to us, as players, to take responsibility and make it happen.

Your support so far this season has been extremely valuable and I know all the lads appreciate it. Having taken four points from our last two away games we know need to address our home form. With three home games over the festive period against Blackpool, Colchester and Swansea we have a real chance to make some ground on the teams around us – and with your support I am sure we can do just that.

Seano

STFC WORLD

The week on STFC World...

Monday 12th

Highlights from Town's draw at Oldham Athletic launched online.

Tuesday 13th

Manager Iffy Onuora comments on Tony Thorpe's departure and the latest injury news.

Wednesday 14th

Video archive of previous encounters with Blackpool, with some magnificent strikes on offer.

Thursday 15th

Player interview direct from the training ground in the build-up to today's match.

Friday 16th

Full pre-match interview from the final training session ahead of Blackpool's visit.

Saturday 17th

Live commentary as Town take on Blackpool at The County Ground.

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Did you know ?

Blackpool once won promotion to Division One with no Manager. In 1929/30, the Seaside won the Second Division title even though the team had not had a Manager since May 1928. The Seaside didn't appoint a new gaffer until 1933.

Blackpool

Words: Dave Wallis



Confusion surrounded the position of ex-boss Colin Hendry recently when talks with Karl Oyston two weeks after his 'departure' suggested that his spell as Manager at Bloomfield Road might not have been over after all...

Hendry had been replaced by reserve team coach Simon Grayson in November, but the club had worded their announcement such that it seemed Hendry had been relieved of his managerial duties, but had not been sacked by the club.

Grayson didn't let the uncertainty disrupt his plans to haul the Seaside away from the bottom of the table though, and last weekend an injury time equaliser from Peter Clarke grabbed a point in the

bottom of the table home clash with Tranmere Rovers.

That left 'Pool fourth from bottom of the table, three points ahead of Town.

Grayson has now been joined by Tony Parkes, the man who became caretaker boss at Blackburn Rovers every time a managerial change took place at Ewood Park. He arrived to replace the departed Ian Miller, a man with Swindon Town on his CV.

We have already made the

trip to Bloomfield Road, bringing a point south through a 0-0 draw back in August. Both clubs have made changes at the top since then and the number one priority for the new bosses will be to collect the points to keep their respective teams out of the League Two.

Away from home, Blackpool's last six matches have produced just three points from three draws. A win this afternoon will be on Iffy's and Simon's list for Santa's attention.

ONE TO WATCH: KEIGAN PARKER

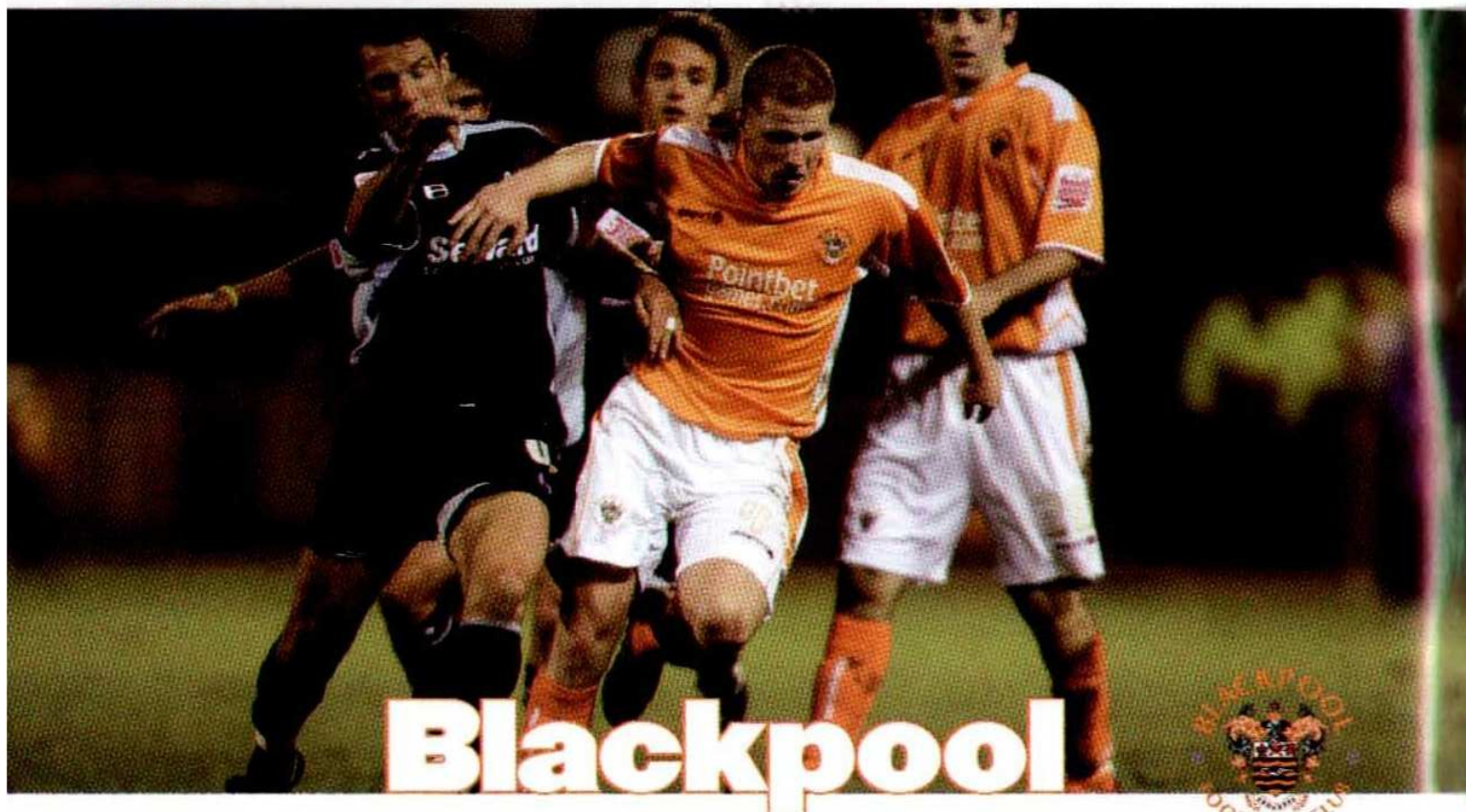
Born in Livingston, Keigan Parker was called up to the Scottish Under-16 and Under-18 teams after signing a professional contract with St. Johnstone in 1998 and he went on to make over 100 appearances in the SPL.

The Scotsman was Colin Hendry's first signing as Tangerines boss when he joined in June 2004. Keigan's pace and movement added an extra

dimension to Pool's attack last season with the striker notching up ten valuable goals.

So far this term, Parker has scored five goals but has also been booked on four occasions and also received one red card for his troubles.





Last 5's

Season	League	Pos	FAC	LC
04/05	League One	16th	R3	R1
03/04	Division Two	14th	R3	R3
02/03	Division Two	13th	R3	R1
01/02	Division Two	16th	R3	R2
00/01	Division Three	7th	R2	R2

Date	Venue	F-A	Att.
20.08.05	Bloomfield Road	0-0	4,661
15.01.05	County Ground	2-2	5,526
18.09.04	Bloomfield Road	1-1	5,229
31.01.04	Bloomfield Road	2-2	6,463
30.08.03	County Ground	2-2	6,219

Date	Opponents	H/A	Score
10.12.05	Tranmere Rovers	H	D1-1
06.12.05	AFC Bournemouth	H	L3-1
26.11.05	Chesterfield	A	D1-1
22.11.05	Carlisle United (D)	A	L2-1
19.11.05	Colchester United	A	L3-2

Player	From	£
Lewis Gobern	Wolves	Loan
Jason Wilcox	Leicester	Loan
Gary Harkins	Blackburn	Loan
Danny Warrender	Man City	Loan
Chris Armstrong	Sheff United	Loan

Player	To	£
Rory Prendergast	Halifax	Loan
Leam Richardson	Accrington	Free
Martin Bullock	Macclesfield	Free
Steven Boyack	Stirling	Free
Ritchie Wellens	Oldham	Free

The Squad

Pontypridd-born goalkeeper **Lee Jones** has established himself as Blackpool's first choice goalkeeper and has produced some man of the match displays this season. Despite a number of injuries including a hernia operation during the 2004/2005 season, the 6ft 3ins shot stopper made 32 appearances for the Seaside last term. **Les Pogliacomi** made his debut for Blackpool against Swindon Town in the reverse fixture between the two sides back in August, keeping a clean sheet in a 0-0 draw. His former clubs

include Parramatta (Australia) and Oldham Athletic. Youngster **Lewis Edge** provides back up to both the aforementioned more senior keepers.

After winning Seaside's player of the year **Peter Clarke** is something of a favourite at Bloomfield Road and scored a 90th minute equalizer in last weekend's home draw with Tranmere. Clarke enjoyed a loan spell at Bloomfield Road during the 2002/2003 season before returning back to Everton. Eventually, the defender struck a deal with Pool in September 2004 and has never looked back since.

Probable Line-Up



Welshman **Rob Edwards** became Colin Hendry's second signing as Pool manager when he joined from Preston North End. His former clubs include Carlisle United, Bristol City and Preston North End. A versatile young defender, **Danny Coid** turned professional in the summer of 2000. His versatility has kept him in the side on a number of occasions. Coid can play at either left or right back and even in midfield when called upon. Although still young, he has made over 200 appearances for Blackpool. The experienced **Tony Butler** returned to the Seaside on a free transfer from Bristol City during the latter part of the 2004/2005 season. Butler previously played for the Tangerines from 1996 to 1999. **Ian Morris** joined Blackpool on loan from Leeds United and has scored twice so far in four appearances whilst **Danny Warrender**, on loan from Manchester City, provides another defensive option.

Former England Youth International **Ciaren Donnelly** joined the Seaside from Premiership outfit Blackburn Rovers, after making his initial loan spell permanent last season. He was recently sent off after just 13 minutes in the draw at Chesterfield. Another loan player currently at Bloomfield



- Blackpool legend **Sir Stanley Matthews** was the first ever recipient of the Footballer of the year award in 1948. He was also the first player to win the European Footballer of the Year award in 1956, and became the first footballer to be knighted in 1964.

Road, **Gary Harkins**, joined the club from Blackburn Rovers in November. **Lewis Gubern** is on loan from Championship side Wolves and made his debut for The Tangerines at Chesterfield on 26 November. The experienced **Jason Wilcox**, another on loan at Blackpool, has now played over 300 games as a professional in a career which has seen him serve Blackburn Rovers with whom he won the Premiership, Leeds United and currently Leicester City. Midfielder **Keith Southern** has now made 96 starts for Blackpool since signing from Everton in November 2002.

A big strong centre forward who leads the line well, **John Murphy** was brought to Blackpool by ex-boss Nigel Worthington prior to the 1999/2000 season. He almost joined Stockport in 2002 before agreeing a new deal with Blackpool. John scored ten goals last term and is a typical old-fashioned centre forward, who is powerfully built and good in the air. Murphy has served Blackpool well and he has scored 100 goals for the Seaside to date in over 200 appearances. Competition in the front line comes from former Oldham Athletic striker **Scott Vernon** and **Matthew Blinkhorn** who has progressed through the youth system at Bloomfield Road and signed a three-year professional contract.

Simon Grayson

Former Leeds, Leicester, Aston Villa, Blackburn and Sheffield Wednesday defender Simon Grayson is currently in charge at Bloomfield Road, following Colin Hendry's departure from the club.

It is not his first spell in the Managerial chair after "Larry" was appointed Caretaker Manager following Steve McMahon's sacking in 2004. Last term, Grayson took up the role of reserve team coach and changed the fortunes of Pool's second string, having finished towards the foot of the table, Grayson's men narrowly missed out on top spot to Premier League giants Manchester United.

Grayson is assisted by former Blackburn Assistant Manager Tony Parkes. Former Blackpool player Andy Welsh who has also coached at Leeds and Manchester City has also agreed to assist Grayson and Parkes.

Grayson's former clubs also include Stockport County, Notts County and Bradford City.



Interesting Facts...

- Matthews inspired Blackpool to victory in the **FA Cup final** of 1953, a game which also saw Tangerines' forward Stan Mortensen hit the first Hat-trick in a Wembley cup final.

- In 1930/31 Blackpool **conceded 125 goals**. Defeats included 1-7 (twice), 1-10 and

3-7 (at home), but they still avoided relegation. They had 32 points, while Leeds had 31 and Manchester United 22.

- Alan Ball became the only Blackpool player to appear in a **World Cup Final** in 1966 before being transferred to Everton for a then record fee of £112,000.





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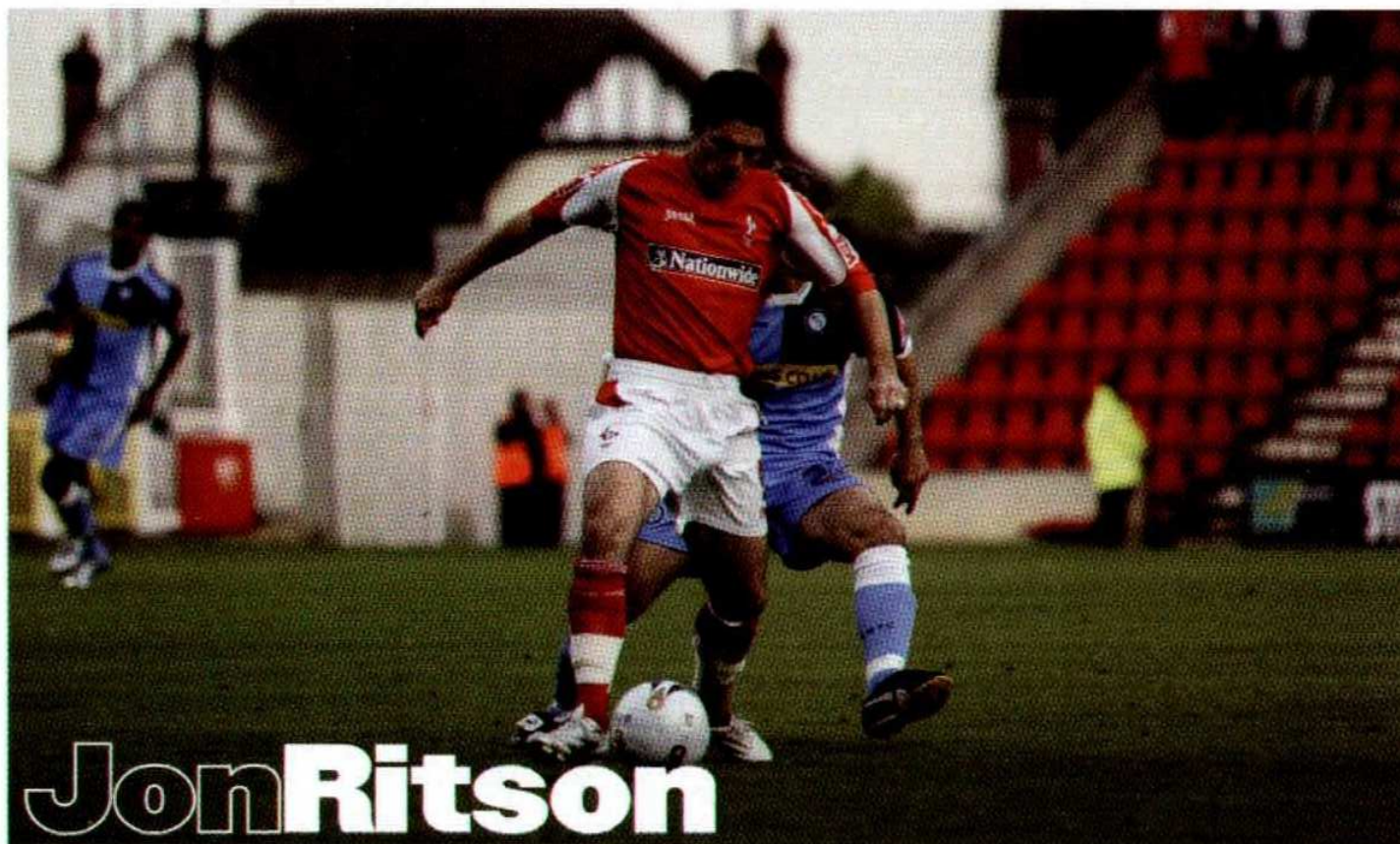
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Jon Ritson

Tony Thorpe's departure from the club came as no real surprise but it was refreshing to see the whole matter handled so amicably.

It's fair to say that it just didn't happen for Thorpey during his time in Wiltshire. Still, far from either just picking up his wage to the end of the season or bleating about how 'unfair' it all was, he decided to move on and start afresh.

It's good for his career and hopefully frees up some cash for boss Iffy Onuora to strengthen his squad in January. I just hope he doesn't end up at another League One club and duly punish us later in the season. Wouldn't that be just typical?

I had to laugh when reflecting on his 'high' points in Wiltshire, a colleague drily remarked that it was 'probably being on the front cover of the pre-season kick off supplement'. Ouch!

Today we welcome Blackpool

to the County Ground and the game doesn't really need too much hype does it? We all know the importance. Did I hear someone say six-pointer?

Victory today would bring us level on points with the Seasiders and almost certainly see the lads kiss goodbye to bottom spot (hopefully for good this time). There's no point dwelling too much on the opposite outcome. If ever there's an afternoon to roar like never before then this is it.

Blackpool haven't pulled up any trees themselves this season and like Town have seen a change of manager. Simon Grayson is in temporary charge and has made it clear he wants the gig permanently. Hopefully his chances will suffer a temporary setback today.

Recent matches here

between the two teams have ended all square with the last encounter proving particularly painful. If I recall correctly it was Rhys Evans' pal Peter Clarke who popped up with a last-gasp leveller last season. No such heartbreak today hopefully.

There was obviously a sense of disappointment at seeing a two-goal lead slip away at Oldham last week but should we see off the Seasiders then seven points out of nine will be a more than useful return.

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity on behalf of everyone at Adver Towers to wish you all a very happy Christmas and trust that Santa brings you everything you ask for.

See you all on Boxing Day for the clash with Colchester United.

Cheers,

Jon

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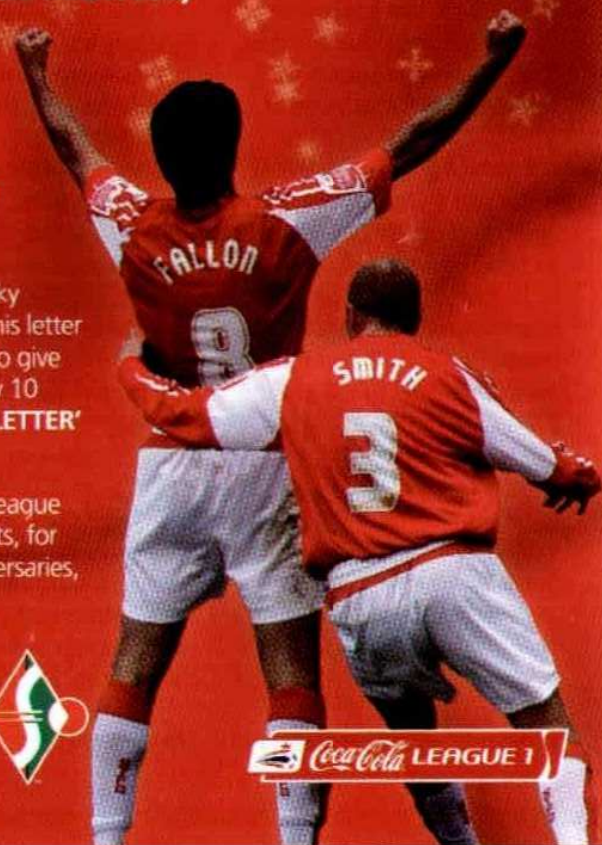
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Forthcoming Events...



With the height of the Christmas Celebrations to be with us soon, the Club's Marketing Department have been carefully planning events for the six months ahead.

The first of these events, a Sporting Dinner, was scheduled for Thursday 8th December, when the guest speakers were ex-Liverpool and England star, **Tommy Smith** and Ex Leeds United and England legend, **Norman 'Bite yer legs' Hunter**. Once again, our Winners Lounge was packed, and those who attended the evening thoroughly enjoyed an excellent three course dinner plus the many stories the two 70's legends had to tell. Amongst the auction items were a framed England shirt signed by Jimmy Greaves, a framed England 2005 Ashes cricket piece signed by Andrew Strauss, and the opportunity of having a replica Liverpool and Leeds United shirt signed and presented to you by Tommy and Norman.

Already the next two guest speakers have been confirmed for the last two Sporting Dinners of the 2005/06 season. In March 2006, our guest speaker will be **GRAHAM POLL**, the top Premier League and FIFA World Cup football referee. Graham did speak at one of the Club Luncheon's last year, and proved to be very interesting. The final Sporting Dinner of the season sees one of football's 'greats' coming to the County

Ground. After months and months of chasing, the Club have finally managed to secure **SIR BOBBY ROBSON** as our guest speaker. He will be joined on the night by another legend from the world of goalkeeping, **BOB 'THE CAT' BEVAN**. Both of these nights are bound to sell out fast, so if you want to confirm your places for one, or both of these nights, then just give Sarah Mildenhall a call on **01793 333718**, or email Mike Sullivan on mike@swindontownfc.co.uk now.

Our final event of 2005, was a community event named 'Old folks at Christmas' which took place on Thursday 15th December, over 60 pensioners were invited along to the County Ground to enjoy a complimentary three-course Christmas Luncheon, that had been kindly sponsored by **Wendy Godwin, Motorola, Greenham, Bloor Homes, Triumph International, The Dolphin Hotel, Colt Cars/Cirencester and Midcounties Cooperative Society**. A Christmas carol service was provided by the children of local school Nythe Primary, before Father Christmas, Rockin' Robin and members of the Swindon Town playing squad gave out a free Christmas food goody bag to all the pensioners as their afternoon came to an end.

Finally, the Marketing Department would like to wish our Main Sponsor Nationwide, our Executive Club members, all our Matchday Sponsors, Ground Advertisers, Kit Sponsors and all companies who support our Golf Days and Sporting Dinners, **A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR IN 2006**.

Mike Sullivan
Sales & Marketing Manager

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Age: 23 **D.O.B:** 27/01/1982
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 4lbs
Previous Clubs: Leyton Orient (loan), QPR (loan), Bristol Rovers (loan), Chelsea
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Apps: 102(+1) **Goals:** 0

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Previous Clubs: Everton
STFC Debut: vs. Notts Co, 24/01/04
Apps: 84(+4) **Goals:** 8

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Jack Smith 





Position: Defender
Age: 22 **D.O.B:** 14/10/1983
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Apps: 3(+3) **Goals:** 0

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Jerellfil 





Position: Defender
Age: 23 **D.O.B:** 27/06/1982
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 10lbs
Previous Clubs: Huddersfield (loan), Watford
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Apps: 80(+9) **Goals:** 0

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Position: Defender
Age: 32 **D.O.B:** 16/07/1972
Height: 5' 10" **Weight:** 10st 9lbs
Previous Clubs: Peterborough, Notts Co, Cardiff, Birmingham (loan), Huddersfield, Swansea
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Apps: 17(+1) **Goals:** 0

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Position: Forward
Age: 23 **D.O.B:** 20/03/1982
Height: 6' 2" **Weight:** 11st 9lbs
Previous Clubs: Yeovil (loan), Shrewsbury (loan), Barnsley
STFC Debut: vs. Oldham, 15/11/03
Apps: 44(+38) **Goals:** 22

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Position: n/a
Age: n/a **D.O.B:** n/a
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Stefani Miglioranzi 



Position: Midfielder
Age: 28 **D.O.B:** 20/09/1977
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 10lbs
Previous Clubs: Portsmouth
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 10/08/02
Apps: 111(+10) **Goals:** 8

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Jamie Cureton 





Position: Forward
Age: 29 **D.O.B:** 28/08/1975
Height: 5' 8" **Weight:** 10st 7lbs
Previous Clubs: QPR, Pusan Icons, Reading, Bristol Rovers, Bournemouth (loan), Norwich
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
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Ricky Shakes 



Position: Forward
Age: 20 **D.O.B:** 25/01/1985
Height: 5' 10" **Weight:** 12st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Bury (loan), Bristol Rovers (loan), Bolton
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Position: Defender
Age: 38 **D.O.B:** 19/11/1967
Height: 6' 0" **Weight:** 12st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Wimbledon, Rochdale, Chester, Gillingham (loan), Norwich, Heswell
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Apps: 216(+21) **Goals:** 14



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Position: Defender
Age: 22 **D.O.B:** 10/10/1983
Height: 6' 2" **Weight:** 12st 8lbs
Previous Clubs: Chester (loan), Liverpool
STFC Debut: vs. Boston, 15/10/03
Apps: 56(+14) **Goals:** 2



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Kyle Lapham

Position: Defender
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 17/01/1986
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 30/04/05
Apps: 2 **Goals:** 0



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Charlie Comyn-Platt

Position: Defender
Age: 20 **D.O.B:** 02/10/1985
Height: 6' 2" **Weight:** 12st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Wycombe (loan), Bolton
STFC Debut: vs. Wycombe, 23/08/05
Apps: 6(+6) **Goals:** 1



Mr Keith Hutchens

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Christian Roberts

Position: Forward
Age: 26 **D.O.B:** 22/10/1979
Height: 5' 11" **Weight:** 13st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Bristol City, Exeter, Drogheda (loan), Hereford (loan), Cardiff
STFC Debut: vs. Oldham, 16/10/04
Apps: 28(+16) **Goals:** 8



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Michael Pook

Position: Midfielder
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 24/06/1986
Height: 5' 11" **Weight:** 11st 10lbs
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Boston, 15/10/03
Apps: 27(+4) **Goals:** 1



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Ben Wells

Position: Midfielder
Age: 17 **D.O.B:** 06/04/1988
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 30/04/05
Apps: (+4) **Goals:** 0



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Position: Forward
Age: 17 **D.O.B:** 03/12/1987
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: Southampton, North Leigh
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Apps: 2(+7) **Goals:** 1



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Position: Midfielder
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Previous Clubs: Basingstoke (loan)
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 29/10/05
Apps: 2 **Goals:** 0



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Position: Forward
Age: 17 **D.O.B:** 11/12/1987
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 30/04/05
Apps: (+4) **Goals:** 0



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Position: Defender
Age: n/a **D.O.B:** n/a
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: Bath City (loan)
STFC Debut: n/a
Apps: n/a **Goals:** n/a



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Position: Manager
Born: Glasgow, 28/07/1967
Previous Clubs: Walsall
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Ian Woan

Position: Youth Coach
Born: 14/12/1967
Playing Career: Shrewsbury, Syracuse, Columbus, Swindon, Barnsley, Nottingham Forest, Runcorn



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Dick Mackey

Position: Physio
Previous Clubs: none



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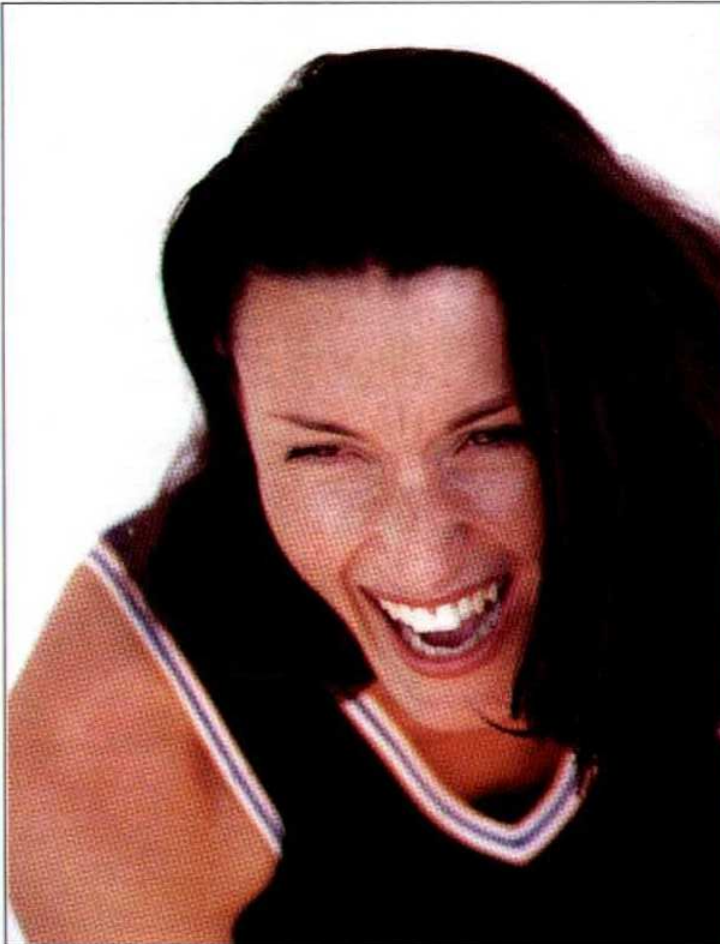


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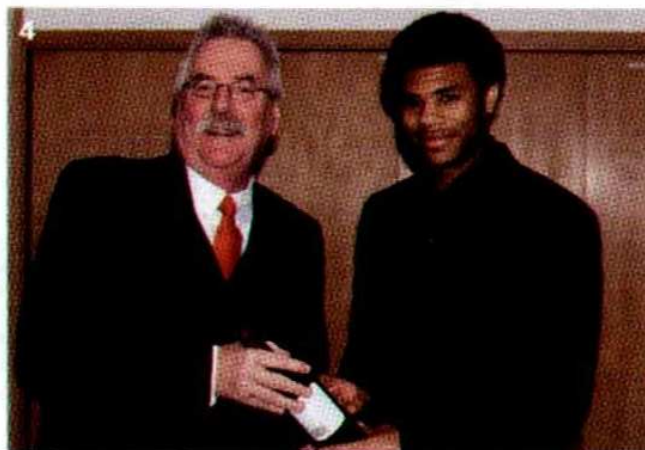
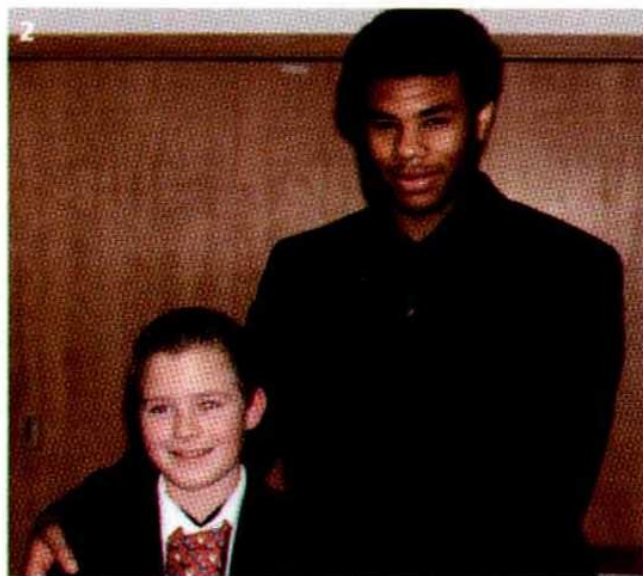
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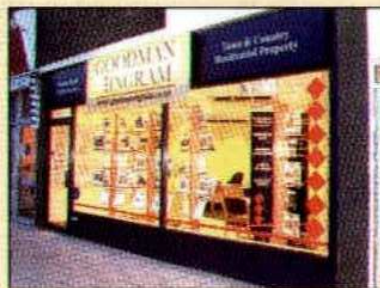
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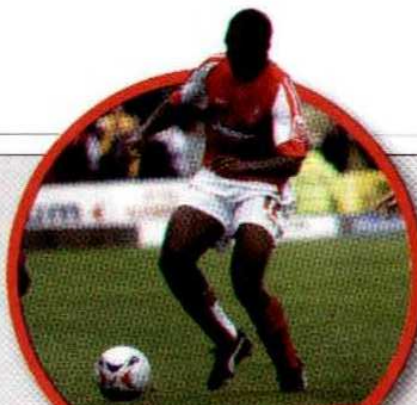
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Five favourite meals ?

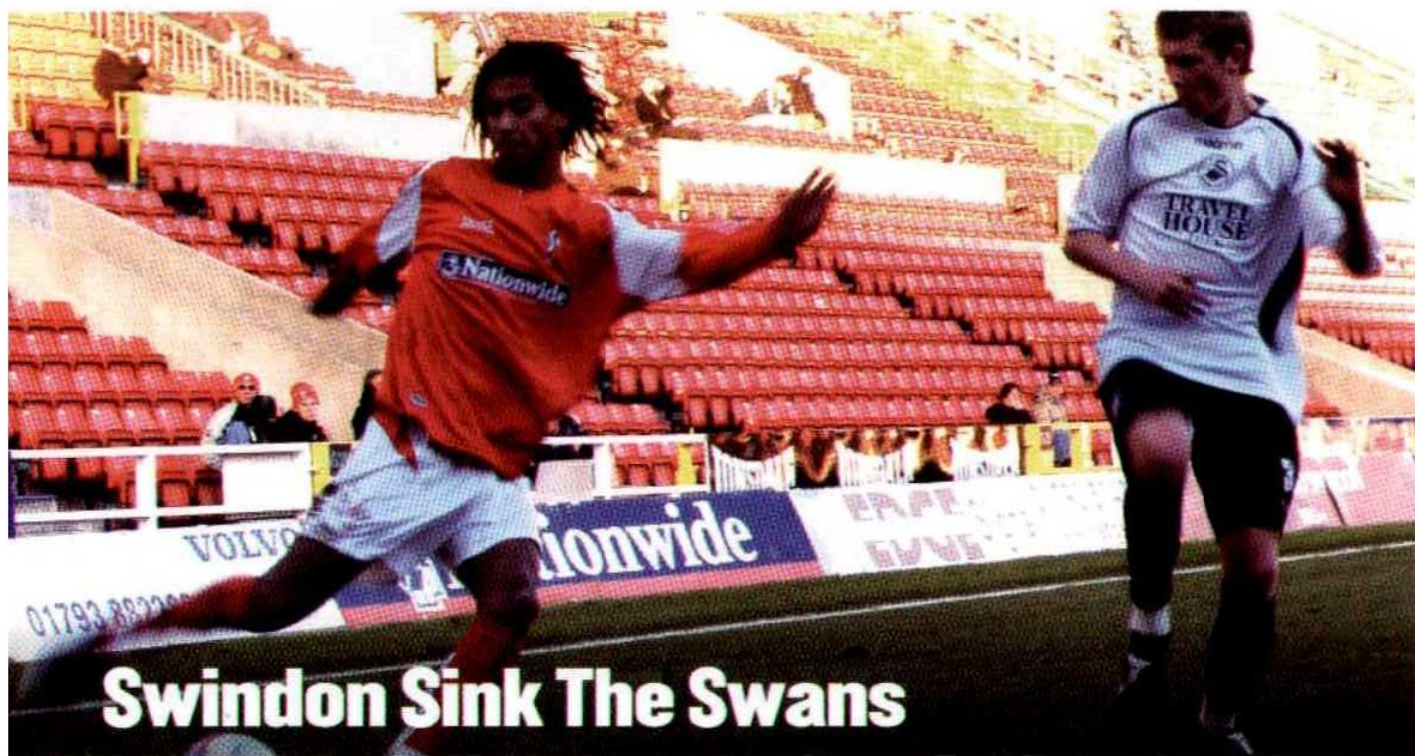
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4. R-Kelly
- 5. Ying Yang Twins**



Swindon Sink The Swans

Swindon Town ran out 8-0 winners against Swansea City, with Colin Heath hitting four goals along the way...

Manager Alan Reeves named a strong line-up with new loan signings Aaron Brown and Petr Mikolanda taking their place in the eleven to face a youthful Swansea City side.

It was the home side who started brightly with Ashan Holgate (above) and Colin Heath (right) seeing efforts from outside the box flash wide before the deadlock was broken after just 5 minutes. After Chris Taylor had been fouled on the left hand edge of the area, Colin Heath stepped up and bent a free-kick into the top corner of the net leaving Leveren with no chance in the Swans' goal to make it 1-0.

Before the half was over there were further strikes from Ashan Holgate from 18-yards on 10 minutes and Leigh Henry from close range on 14 minutes.

There was one change at the break with Jack Smith being

replaced by former Crystal Palace youngster Gary Pryde at right back.

Just five minutes after the interval Petr Mikolanda nearly got his first goal for the club. The striker, on loan from Premiership West Ham, carved his way through the backline and unleashed a shot from close range that cannoned off the bar to safety.

On 55 minutes Colin Heath got his second of the afternoon. Great footwork from Ashan Holgate saw the ball squared to Heath who side footed the ball with ease past Letheren to make it 4-0. The goals continued to come with Aaron Brown rifling home a shot from 12-yards to make it 5-0.

Nicky Nicolau was then introduced into the action on 65 minutes as he came on to replace goalscorer Brown, taking up his place on the left

Swindon 8
Swansea 0

Tue 29th November

Line-Up: Evans, Smith, Henry, Collins, Stroud, Shakes, Taylor, Heath, Brown, Holgate, Mikolanda
Subs: Bulman, Wells, Allen, Doe, Nicolau

hand side of midfield in a 4-4-2 formation. Shortly afterwards Ben Wells came on for Mikolanda, with Heath moving into the front line alongside Holgate.

With ten minutes remaining on the clock Colin Heath scored his hat-trick goal, heading home from close range to make it 6-0. Just three minutes later Heath added to his tally, following some excellent work on the right from Gary Pryde. Holgate started the move and after a slick passing move, Pryde crossed in for Heath to tap in for 7-0. The Manchester United loanee could have scored his fifth of the afternoon on 84 minutes after being played in by Nicolau, but his close range effort smashed against the crossbar.

The final goal of the afternoon came from midfielder Chris Taylor. Ricky Shakes picked the ball up on the right and cut the ball back across the area for Taylor who coolly placed the ball past the despairing Letheren to complete an 8-0 scoreline.





Centre of Excellence

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's home encounter with Blackpool at The County Ground.

Last weekend saw a busy games programme against Swansea City with nine teams in action overall.

The Under 11's, 12's and 13's travelled to Swansea City. The Under 11's suffered a narrow defeat going down 3-2 with some good performances especially goalkeeper Craig Hill, who saved a penalty and made other excellent stops. The Under 12's lost out 4-0 whilst the Under 13's also lost by the same scoreline.

The Under 9's, 10's, 14's and 15's all played at home with some mixed results. The Under 9's lost 6-2 with the Under 10's losing by the same scoreline. However, there was a more positive performance from the Under 14's and 15's who both came away with 2-0 victories. The scores at this stage of the players' development is not significant, we look for performance as a team and individual efforts as the players continue development through the Centre of Excellence programme.

The Under 16's were also away at Swansea City. They came away with a 1-0 victory which pleased Manager Dave Warren with some good performances by several players – including Andy Westall who captained the side even though still an Under 15 age group player – with some others expecting to feature this weekend for the Under 18's, who take on Hereford United at the training ground.

Ian Woan's Under 18's travelled down to Cheltenham Town and came away with a 2-0 victory. Goals came from Leigh Henry (pictured above with Ashan Holgate) and Ben Wells (right) as the youngsters came away from Gloucestershire with another three points.

Good luck to all our teams this weekend, I hope you all enjoy today's game against Blackpool.

Enjoy the game,
Martin Allen & Jeremy Newton

Reserve Fixtures 05/06

Aug 16	CHELTHENHAM	H	4-2
Sep 6	BOURNEMOUTH	H	7-0
Sep 21	Yeovil Town	A	2-1
Oct 5	Bristol City	A	0-3
Oct 10	Bristol Rovers	A	3-2
Oct 25	SALISBURY (WS)	H	1-0
Nov 15	CARDIFF	H	P-P
Nov 29	SWANSEA	H	8-0
Jan 10	Bournemouth	A	2pm
Jan 24	YEovil	H	2pm
Feb 8	Swansea	A	7pm
Feb 21	BRISTOL ROV	H	2pm
Feb 28	Cheltenham	A	7pm
Mar 7	BRISTOL CITY	H	2pm
Apr 4	PLYMOUTH	H	2pm
Apr 11	Plymouth	A	7pm
Apr 19	Cardiff	A	2pm



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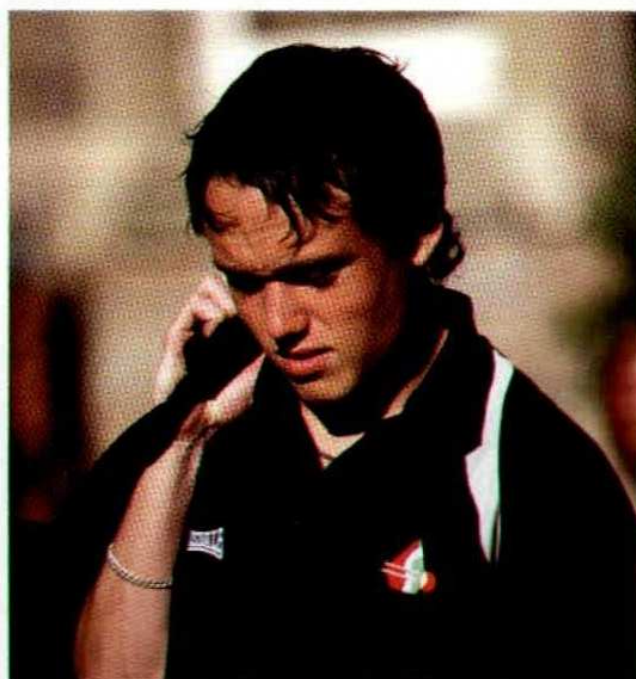
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon	6	5	0	1	24	8	15
Chelt'ham	6	4	1	1	14	9	13
Cardiff	5	3	2	0	11	4	11
Plymouth	5	3	1	1	13	10	10
Bristol C	6	2	2	2	9	7	8
Swansea	6	2	0	4	9	24	6
Yeovil	6	1	1	4	12	13	4
Bristol R	7	1	1	5	10	15	4
B'mouth	5	1	0	4	7	19	3

Youth Fixtures 05/06

Aug 13	Cirencester	A	6-2
Aug 20	NEWPORT	H	0-0
Sep 3	Bournemouth	A	1-0
Sep 10	BRISTOL ROV	H	1-0
Sep 17	Swansea	A	2-2
Sep 24	Hereford (YAC)	A	7-0
Oct 1	Gillingham (YAC)	A	2-2
Oct 8	Oxford United	A	2-1
Oct 15	EXETER CITY	H	4-3
Oct 22	B'MOUTH (YAC)	H	0-1
Oct 29	Northampton (YAC)	A	2-2
Nov 5	SOUTHEND (YAC)	H	5-0
Nov 9	Newport CO (YAC)	A	4-3
Nov 19	PLYMOUTH	H	P-P
Nov 23	Southend (YAC)	A	2-3
Nov 26	Yeovil Town	A	3-2
Dec 10	Cheltenham	A	2-0
Dec 17	HEREFORD	H	11am
Jan 7	OXFORD UTD	H	11am
Jan 14	Exeter City	A	11am
Jan 21	Plymouth	A	11am
Feb 4	YEovil TOWN	H	11am
Feb 18	CHELTHENHAM	H	11am
Feb 25	Hereford	A	11am
Mar 11	CIRENCESTER	H	11am
Mar 25	Newport	A	11am
Apr 1	BOURNEMOUTH	H	11am
Apr 8	Bristol Rovers	A	11am
Apr 15	SWANSEA	H	11am

South West Conference Table 12 12 05

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon	9	7	2	0	21	10	23
Plymouth	8	7	0	1	34	11	21
Chelt'ham	10	5	3	2	26	12	18
Oxford	10	5	1	4	22	17	16
Yeovil	10	5	1	4	20	16	16
B'mouth	10	5	0	5	31	25	15
Bristol R	9	4	1	4	22	19	13
Exeter	10	4	0	6	26	31	12
Newport	7	3	2	2	14	9	11
Swansea	9	1	4	4	20	19	7
Cirencester	9	1	2	6	11	38	5
Hereford	9	0	0	9	6	46	0





Rotherham United 0



Swindon Town 1

Fallon, 45

A solid display by Swindon Town earned a first away win for Iffy Onuora, as leading scorer Rory Fallon's goal meant that Town leapfrogged Bristol City and moved off the bottom of League One.

Town's line-up showed six changes from the previous match against Barnsley with Stefani Miglioranzi lining up in defence as Captain, alongside Charlie Comyn-Platt and Patrick Collins who was making a return to the Town side. Rhys Evans made a return in goal and his presence ensured a good defensive display as Town had the added benefit of a clean sheet.

Rotherham started the game well and Rhys Evans kept out early efforts from Lee Williamson and Paul Evans before Hameur Bouazza saw his effort flash wide at the other end.

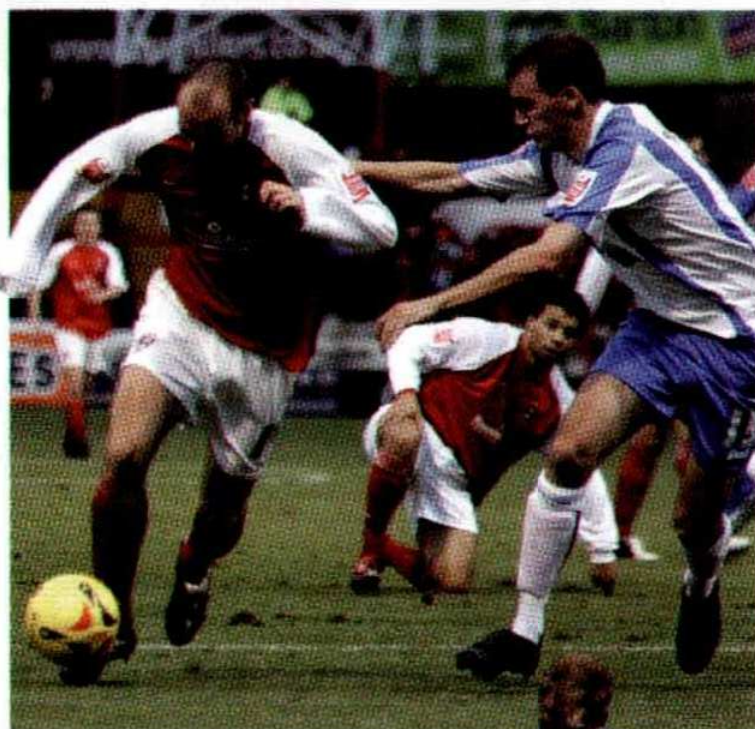
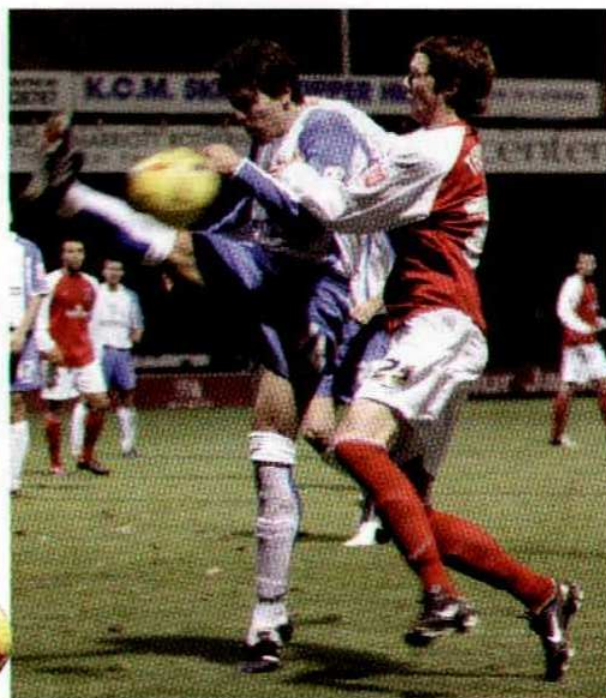
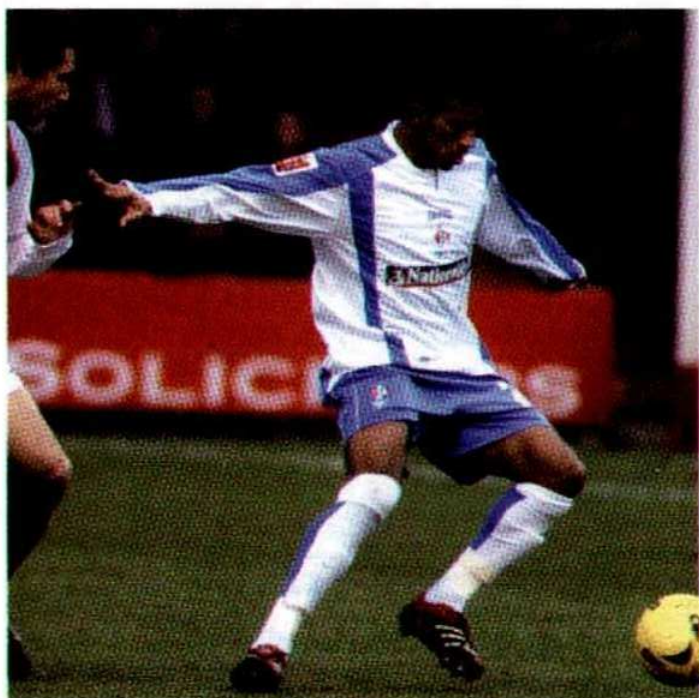
Town took the lead just as the match entered added time when leading scorer Rory Fallon was on hand to tap the ball home after Jack Smith had got a touch on a cross by Neale McDermott. It was to be the Town striker's 11th goal of the season, one that came against the club where his father had previously plyed his trade.

The home side, under the Management of former Town Assistant Boss Mick Harford, emerged for the second half with renewed vigour and Lee Williamson's shot fizzed wide soon after the restart.

Town were doing well to keep Rotherham out as they stepped up the pressure and even Hameur Bouazza was back helping in defence to clear a dangerous looking cross by Worrell as the half reached the midway point.

Rhys Evans produced a superb performance and kept out efforts from Shaun Barker and Martin Butler in the final stages of the game as Town recorded their first away victory in 20 attempts.

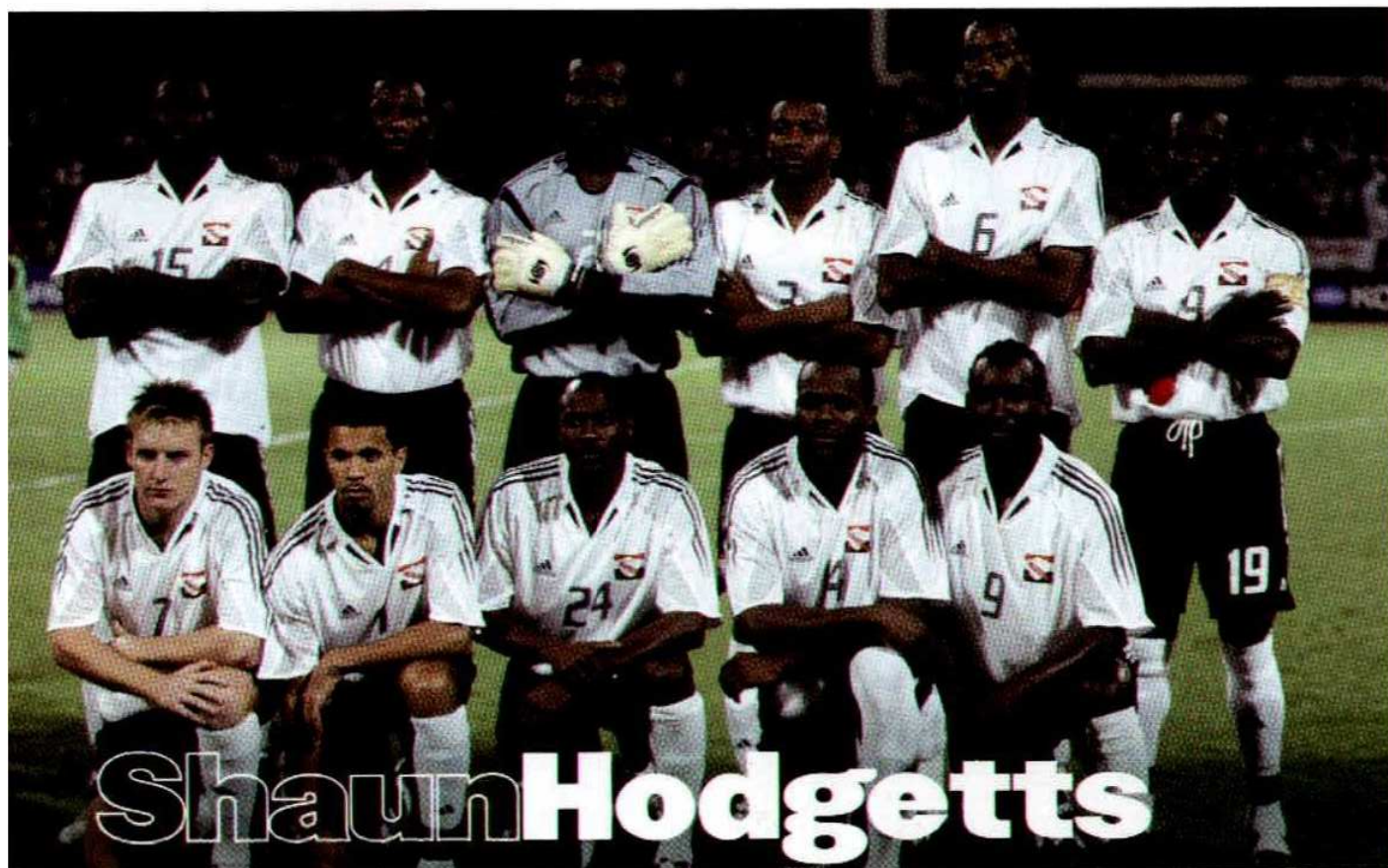




Rotherham United vs. Swindon Town

Goals	Cards	Sub'd	Coca-Cola LEAGUE 1		Goals	Cards	Sub'd
Cutler			Sat 3rd December Millmoor Kick-Off 3.00pm Attendance: 3,537 Referee: E. Ilderton		Evans		
Worrell					Smith		61'
Barker					Collins		
Murdock		86'			Miglioranzi		
Robertson		69'			Cornyn-Platt		
Mullin					Nicholas		
McLaren					McDermott		
Evans		81'			Pook		
Williamson					Brown		
Burton					Bouazza		85'
Butler			Fallon		78'		
Montgomery			Bulman				
Minto		86'	Henry				
Ostendorp			Whalley		85'		
Brogan		85'	Roberts		61'		
Taylor		61'	Mikolanda		78'		
			MATCH STATS Shots: 3 On Target: 1 Fouls: 8 Corners: 0 Cards: 0 Possession: 50%				





The last match before Christmas - get in early with a quick plug for STFC-related shows on 103.6FM BBC Radio Swindon over the holiday period.

Next Saturday (24th) between 12 and 1 it'll be Iffy & Friends, the Manager in conversation with people from inside and outside the beautiful game. Last year, he tracked down Wayne Allison, Ty Gooden and Frank Talia - more "old-boys" on the air again soon, perhaps?

Then, with four fixtures in eight days, not surprisingly, we have four sports programmes in eight days, taking account of all the different kick-off times too! It's a make-or-break period of the season according to many pundits - how high up the table can we move?

The transfer window opens again in January and we can realistically expect departures and arrivals as Iffy Onuora seeks to keep his squad numbers around

a similar level, even if the personnel change. With Hameur Bouazza's return to Watford, what happens to Jamie Cureton currently at Colchester? How badly injured is Andy Gurney who's now returned to Swansea for treatment? Should recent recruits Aaron Brown & Petr Mikolanda extend their stay west along the M4 motorway? Is the future of Manchester United duo Colin Heath & Tom Heaton ultimately in the hands of Sir Alex Ferguson or is a change at the top at Old Trafford really likely? Can Patrick Collins force his way back into contention, having often been the victim of the rule which dictates no more than five temporary transfers in a matchday squad of 16? Has Neil McDermott's energy (and goals) earned him a

longer-term contract with a friendly against Newcastle in the summer thrown in for good measure?

Questions, questions, answers soon - keep listening for details!

We're also trying to track down for interview Head Coach Leo Beenhakker from Trinidad & Tobago. Is it really possible that a Swindon player could go to the World Cup, like Alan McLoughlin all those years ago. The Town's Ricky Shakes qualifies thanks to his mother and has been with the national squad before. I also read this week they're trying to sign up the likes of J-Lloyd Samuel, Bobby Zamora and Tony Warner, who kept goal for us not that long ago. After the draw, the countdown for the 2006 tournament in Germany is really on - we're just starting to plan our trip to twin-town Salzgitter to coincide with England versus the Soca Warriors!

"Is it really possible that a Swindon player could go to the World Cup, like Alan McLoughlin all those years ago"

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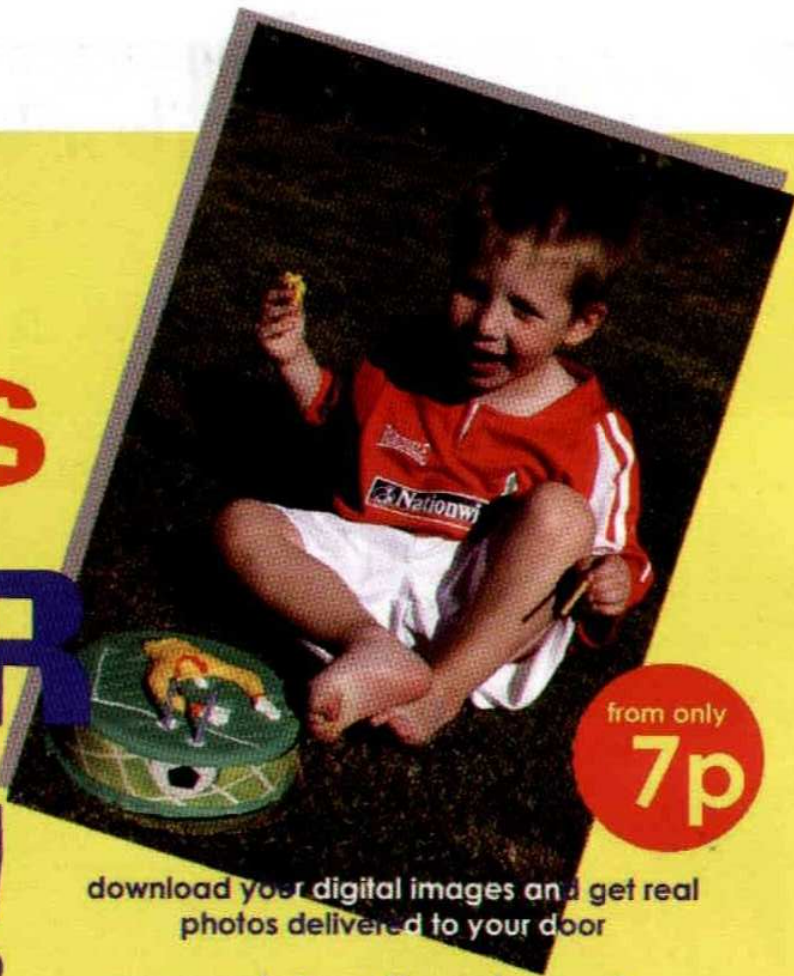
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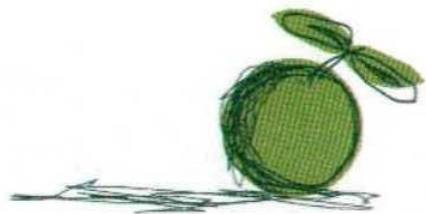


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Town Ladies

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Town Ladies in action

The Town Ladies played their first South West Combination League fixture for seven weeks following Women's FA Cup games and postponements.

Luton Town were the visitors and the long lay off took its toll when the visitors scored within three minutes of the kick off. Claire Moreton turned in Catherine Reid's cross to put the side level but the Hatters took the lead again before half time. Two Catherine Reid goals in a five minute spell gave the Town the advantage but ten minutes from time Luton got a third to make things even.

The Town Reserves have played two South West Regional League matches. First they entertained Bath City and lost out to a late penalty. They then

visited Swindon Spitfires and shared the points and six goals. Chantelle Lovell put the Town ahead and April Polden added a second. Swindon Spitfires hit back strongly and scored three before April Polden scored late on to make the honours even.

The Town Under Twelve "Reds" travelled to Somerset to play West Field in the Wilts County League Cup and won by nineteen goals to nil. Abby Picton got six, Hazel Matthews and Sophie Barrett both scored four, Hannah Curtis got two and Emma Dawson, Stacey Long and Karen Gillingham all scored one apiece

The Town Under Ten side won through to the semi final of the Wiltshire County Cup when they beat Trowbridge Wanderers by nine goals to nil. Michaela Vitale scored four, Alicia Webber got three and Charlotte Diss scored twice. The Town now meet Trowbridge Town.

Tomorrow the Town face Luton Town again the Preliminary Round of the South West Combination League Cup. The Town shared the points last Sunday but beat the Hatters in Bedfordshire earlier in the season. This game will be played at the Aldbourne FC Ground and will Kick Off at 2.00pm.

Ladies Fixtures

Sep 4	PLYMOUTH	H	1-2
Sep 11	Luton Town	A	2-1
Sep 18	FOREST GREEN	H	0-2
Sep 25	Oxford City	A	4-2
Oct 2	Newquay	A	1-6
Oct 9	QPR	H	1-4
Oct 16	Forest Green	A	3-3
Oct 23	YEOVIL (FAC1)	H	1-0
Nov 6	CLEVEDON	H	P-P
Nov 13	Frome Town (FAC2)	A	1-6
Nov 20	KEYNSHAM	H	P-P
Nov 27	Chesham	A	P-P
Dec 4	NEWTON ABBOT	H	P-P
Dec 11	LUTON TOWN	H	3-3
Dec 19	LUTON TOWN (L.C1)	H	2pm
Jan 8	Plymouth	A	2pm
Jan 22	CHESHAM	H	2pm
Jan 29	OXFORD CITY	H	2pm
Feb 5	NEWQUAY	H	2pm
Feb 12	QPR	A	2pm
Feb 19	LAUNTON	H	2pm
Feb 26	Clevedon	A	2pm
Mar 5	Keynsham	A	2pm
Mar 19	Newton Abbot	A	2pm
TBC	Launton	A	

A bit about...

April Polden



April started to play football with her brothers in the holidays when she was about four years old. When she went to Eldene Junior School she played for both the boy's and the girl's school teams. She then went to Dorcan Schools where she continued to play football with Town player Tara Lofts who suggested that she joined the Town. Last season April finished top scorer for the Reserves with twenty goals despite missing several games through injury. She has played for the Wiltshire County Youth side. April, who is seventeen, is studying Public Service.

Table 2005/06

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Keynsham	8	7	1	0	41	9	22
QPR	8	7	1	0	26	7	22
Chesham	8	6	1	1	41	17	19
Newquay	9	5	2	2	30	14	17
Plymouth	9	4	2	3	22	21	14
N. Abbot	10	3	3	4	31	26	12
Oxford City	11	3	0	8	20	50	9
Clevedon	8	2	2	4	15	19	8
Swindon	8	2	2	4	15	23	8
Luton	8	2	1	5	19	17	7
Forest Green	8	1	3	4	13	19	6
Launton	7	0	0	7	3	54	0

Safe Hands

'RHYS, RHYS, RHYS EVANS' IS BACK AND READY TO KEEP LEAGUE ONE'S FINEST AT BAY...

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Photography: Chris Adams / Chris Tanner

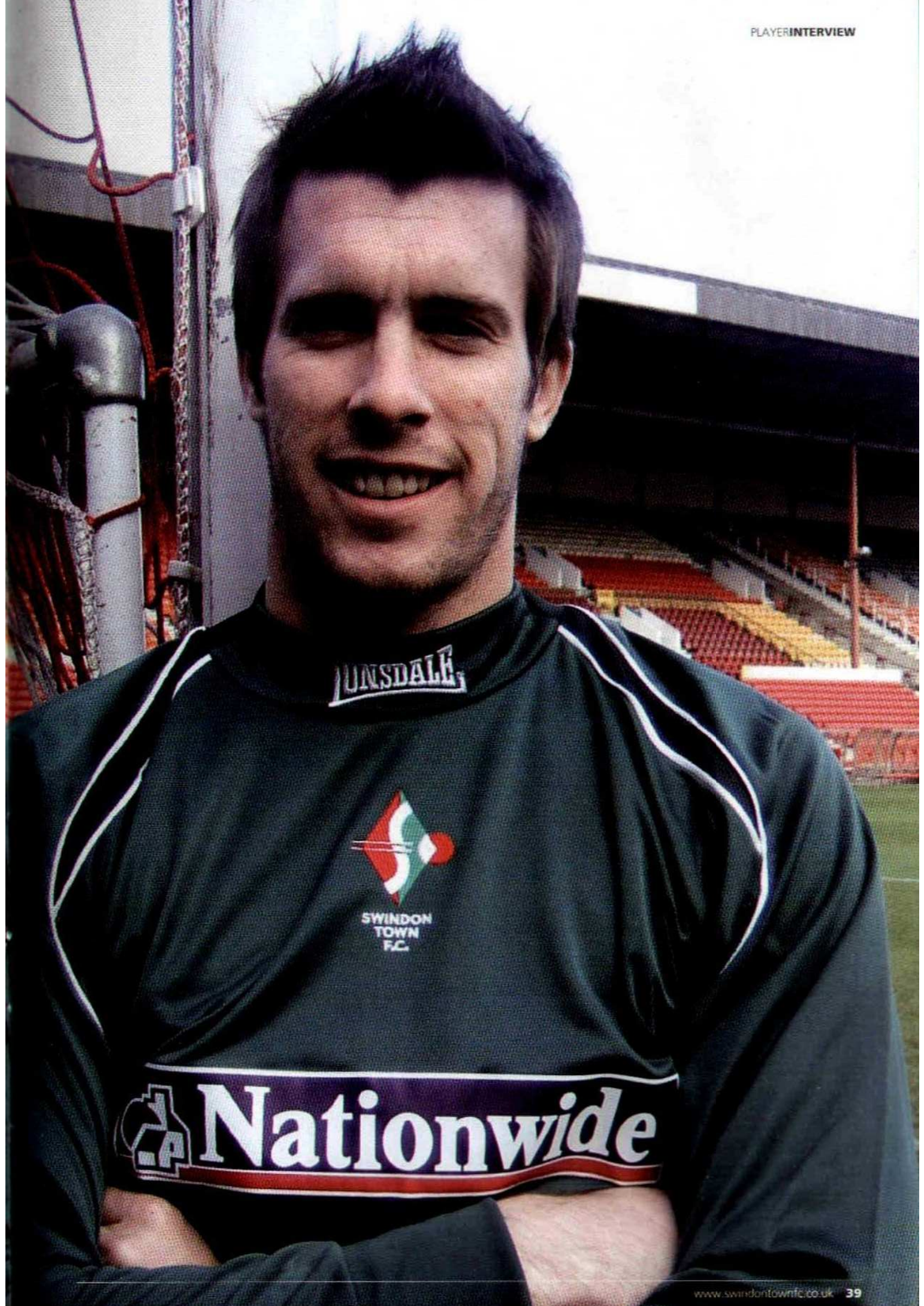
When Rhys Evans turned in a man-of-the-match display to help Town to three points away at Rotherham two weeks ago, it felt as though the former England under-21 international hadn't been away.

In truth it's been a long and frustrating road back to full fitness ever since Evans damaged his knee in pre-season, the 23-year-old custodian having to watch from the sidelines for several months while Tom Heaton proved an able replacement between the sticks.

Now that he's back, looking for his third clean sheet in eight games this season, Rhys doesn't want to relinquish the number one spot again.

Rhys' return means that the spine to Town's team has returned for arguably one of the most crucial stages of the season, and with Miglioranzi, O'Hanlon also back to join Fallon, Evans believes Town can finally get their campaign up and running.

With Christmas approaching, the best present for Rhys would be a couple of wins for his home-town club...



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It must be great to be back and playing again after what was a lengthy lay-off?

Yes, definitely. It's been quite a long time, it has probably felt longer than it was for me really – but it's probably worked in my favour with regards to the recuperation of my injury and I'm feeling good at the moment.

Tell us a little bit about how you picked up the injury and more about the nature of it?

Looking back, I think the tendonitis was a major factor. But in the summer I went to Canada on holiday to meet the girlfriend's parents – and while over there I did a lot of road running. I think that created a lot of scar tissue on the knee, an injury normally associated with runners. But I think it was

I'm pretty close. It's probably easy to say I'm back having had a good couple of games, but I still feel a stiffness in my knee at the end of each day. I suppose because of the position I'm in that's natural, as a 'keeper my knee gets a pounding and I suppose the stiffness is just my body's defence mechanism. I just have to be sensible.

What a way to return at Rotherham, though. Were you anxious to get a performance like that under your belt as soon as possible?

Well I've had time to think about what I want to achieve when I came back. To be honest I was pretty focused at the start of the season, when I was playing with the injury. I'm pleased with the way it's gone so far, I just

came from a straight ball down the middle flicked on – we should have dealt with it. We didn't keep the ball as well in the second half as we did in the first, so it's an element of luck and a little bit of us not helping ourselves.

Has it been hard to keep your spirits up since you've been on the sidelines?

It is hard, but now I've come back I have a different mentality to the other lads, because I'm fresh. I'm approaching things with a bit between the teeth.

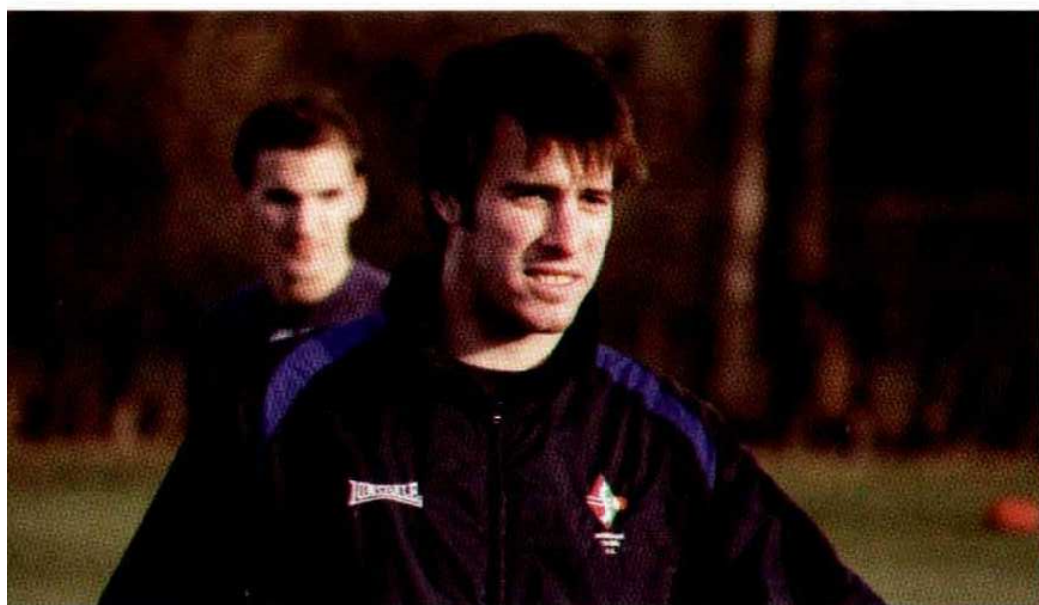
It must have been tempting to play through the pain, as you did for the first four games of the season. How big a decision was it to bite the bullet?

The decision came around the time of the Forest game. I woke up with a throbbing pain in my knee the morning of the game. I called Dick [Mackey] fairly early and said, 'look, I'm in trouble here.' Andy [King] tried to persuade me to play through it again – in fact he showed me a great respect at that stage, probably the most he showed me – mainly because he didn't want to thrust Matty Bulman into such a big game.

In the end he had Tom to throw in, who did a good job, but I couldn't carry on in that pain. No matter what people said I had to do what was best for me – and I couldn't sleep at the time, it was affecting my everyday life – I didn't want to do any long-term damage.

It must have been especially hard with the team losing. What have you made of the campaign so far...

I did a couple of games for the radio and to be honest,



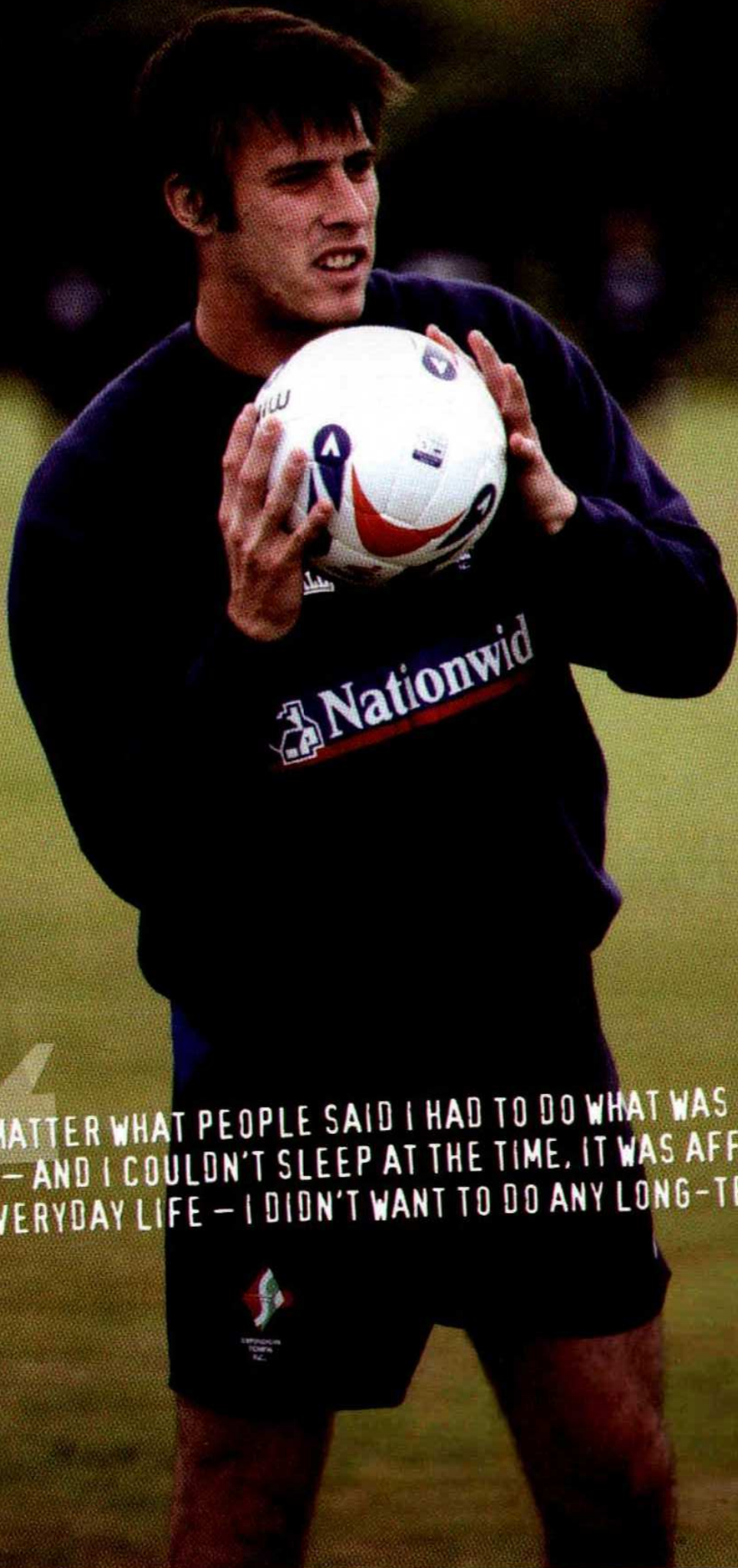
a combination of things, to be honest. The biggest problem was that it never responded to treatment and dragged out the injury for such a long time – I was very frustrated, at times aggressively annoyed!

Do you feel 100% back to normal now, or do you think it will still take a couple of games?

hope we can pick up some results and get going.

It's a shame we couldn't hold on at Oldham – when that shot looped over your head do you think, 'oh no'. It could have gone anywhere...

I suppose you could say we were unlucky, but the goal



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IT'LL BE NICE FOR ME TO GET BACK OUT IN FRONT OF THE COUNTY GROUND CROWD AGAIN – I HOPE THERE'LL BE A FULL TOWN END BECAUSE THE THOUGHT OF THEM GETTING BEHIND ME HAS KEPT ME GOING

after a while I became more and more detached as a player and more of a supporter. Not a lot has gone for us and we've had some bad luck – but there were also too many individual errors costing us games. We need to keep building as we are, but try and step it up – we can't afford to run out of games.

What do you make of Iffy Onoura as a Manager?

He's a different man to Andy King – he has a different approach. His

man-management skills are obviously very different and he's methodical. For example he works on set pieces, a critical part of the game that can win or lose games. I suppose any player will judge a Manager on whether or not they're being picked!

Are you confident we can turn things around?

We're a different side to the last two seasons. But I think we're now paying for that run of games where we went eight or so without a win. If

you look at the last five or six games we've been good enough to be in mid-table. The good thing is the gap hasn't grown between us and the sides above us – we just have to string results together now and create a fear factor for opponents.

We would have moved away from the bottom with a win at Oldham – we can catch Blackpool today...

Well if you look at our division as a whole, there's no Luton; no team that is

better than anyone else. We have a chance to beat any team and had we won last week, two wins away from home would have made people sit up and take notice.

Tom Heaton has been an able understudy this year, what do you make of him as a goalkeeper?

He's received good reviews and fans have taken to him, he's done well. He works hard in training and by training at Manchester United as well he's getting the best out of both worlds. He is in a similar situation to me at that age and I've discussed it with him. Realistically he may not play for United's first team, so he has to get himself out on loan and build his reputation.

Have you learned anything from him at all?

I think if there's one thing I've learned it's that seeing him in his situation, it reminds me of what I went through and how far I've come. He's clearly been taught good things, though, but I now appreciate what I have done and where I am.

Is there a concern that when Tom goes back to Manchester United in January, that we will be weaker as a squad? How good is young Matty Bulman...

I think to suggest we'll be weaker when Tom goes back does Matty a disservice.



He will push me and he just needs an opportunity to show what he can do. He works hard and is an excellent 'keeper.

Iffy suggested that you form part of the team's core, do you think having yourself, Stef, Rory and Sean fit is integral to our success this season?

It's nice for Iffy to say that, but I think what we need now is for more people to pitch in with goals. Look at our play-off season, we didn't play that well but we had Tommy and Sam scoring 20 goals. We need that again and take some of the pressure off Rory.

You're one of the most experienced heads here now – only Stef has been here longer? And Gurns... Is that strange?

It doesn't say much when I'm one of the more experienced lads at 23! But you just get on with it – it makes me very proud.

"The good thing is the gap hasn't grown between us and the sides above us – we just have to string results together now..."

Two clean sheets from your seven games, one against today's opponents – will you be looking to add to that number?

I don't consciously think about keeping clean sheets when I go out there because so many factors can contrive to prevent that from happening. Individual errors, own goals, penalties... and while I look to do my bit, defending is a team thing, a lot like when we score – it's not just down to Rory but the whole team. We just need to make sure we don't lose.

Can we win today?

I hope we can. It'll be nice for me to get back out in front of The County Ground crowd again – I hope there'll be a full Town End because the thought of them getting behind me has kept me going. If we have that luck, a good referee and play well then we have every chance. We have to be positive and remain positive.

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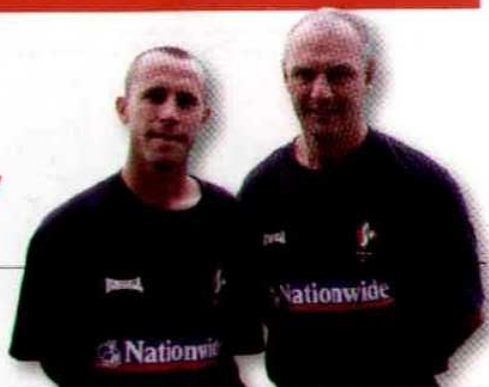
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Football in the Community



We at the Swindon Town Football Club Community Office would like to take this opportunity of wishing you all a very Merry Christmas.

Today we would like to offer a warm festive welcome to Jill Pocock and her group from **Hungerford Juniors FC** (above). We also welcome Lee Herring and Andy Bryant who are here with **Wanborough Juniors FC** (right).

Last Friday saw us stage our girls U13 BT Community Cup Competition, held at Greendown School. This event was re-arranged from a previous date two weeks ago. We had thirteen teams competing for a place in the final which will be held here at The County Ground in the New Year. It was a terrific evening's entertainment, with the eventual winners being Dorcan 'A' and Ridgeway 'A'. As soon as a date

is confirmed for the final in the New Year, it will be posted on our official website at Swindontownfc.co.uk, in the local press and of course here in STFC Magazine.

Finally, we would like to say a big hello to Magnus Painter, who is here today as our special guest. We would like to thank Magnus and his company, **K.Klasse Cars**, for their generous sponsorship of our coaches kit, which we use

on all of our holiday courses and at our Soccer Centres. Magnus himself is a valuable member of our part-time coaching staff. He is a closet Blackpool fan, and although we wish him well with his business ventures, we hope it is Town who take all three points today.

Enjoy the game and have a great Christmas.

Clive and Jonno.



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Soccer Centres



Good afternoon and welcome today's game with Blackpool. Today we would like to welcome our teams from Wanborough Juniors FC and Hungerford Juniors FC, who are seen on the photos on this page.

I would also like to wish all children on our Soccer Centres a very Merry

Christmas and hope that Father Christmas brings them everything they wish for as well as three points for Swindon Town today!

Enjoy the game today and the festive period. Merry Christmas to all Soccer Centres children and parents.

Shane Hewlett

Course Schedule

Link Centre (Swindon Borough)

Monday:	4.30-5.30	5-6yrs
	5.30-6.30	8-11yrs
Thursday:	4.30-5.30	5 yrs
	5.30-6.30	7-8yrs

Oasis (Swindon Borough)

Monday:	5.00-6.00	8-11yrs
Monday:	4.30-5.30	5-8yrs
Saturday:	10.00-11.00	5-8yrs

Highworth (Swindon Borough)

Tuesday:	4.00-5.00	5-6yrs
	5.00-6.00	7-8yrs
Thursday:	4.00-5.00	5-6yrs
	5.00-6.00	8-11yrs

Haydon Centre (Swindon Borough)

Thursday:	4.00-5.00	5-6yrs
	5.00-6.00	7-8yrs
	6.00-7.00	9-11yrs

Stratton

Monday:	3.30-4.30	6-7yrs
	4.30-5.30	9-11yrs
Tuesday:	3.30-4.30	5-6yrs
	4.30-5.30	9-10yrs
Wednesday:	3.30-4.30	7-8yrs
	4.30-5.30	8-9yrs
Friday:	3.30-4.30	5-6yrs

Marlborough

Wednesday:	3.30-4.00	5-7yrs
	4.00-5.00	7-9yrs
	5.00-6.00	9-11yrs

Ridgeway

Wednesday:	5.00-6.00	5-7yrs
	6.00-7.00	8-11yrs

Clanfield

Friday:	5.00-6.00	7-9yrs
	6.00-7.00	10-11yrs

Tidworth

Friday:	4.00-5.00	5-8yrs
	5.00-6.00	8-11yrs

Croft (Swindon Borough)

Saturday:	9.00-10.00	5-7yrs
	10.00-11.00	5-7yrs

Dorcan (Swindon Borough)

Monday:	5.30-6.15	4-5yrs
Tuesday:	5.00-5.45	4-5yrs
Wednesday:	5.00-5.45	4-5yrs
Thursday:	5.00-6.00	8-11yrs
Friday:	6.00-7.00	5-7yrs



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Barnsley

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Devaney, 8, Shuker, 50, 68

High-flying Barnsley's visit to The County Ground ended in defeat for Town in a game which saw two goals from Chris Shuker and another from Martin Devaney.

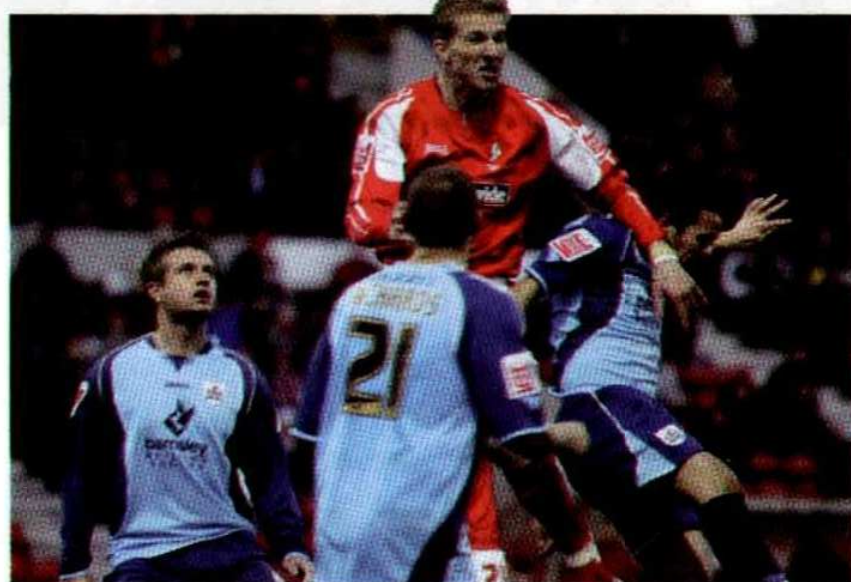
Amazingly eight yellow cards were shown by late replacement referee Mr. D Dedman in the game. Unfortunately for Town three of the cards shown resulted in suspensions against Rotherham for Sean O'Hanlon, Andy Gurney and Steve Jenkins who all joined Jerel Ifil on five cautions for the season.

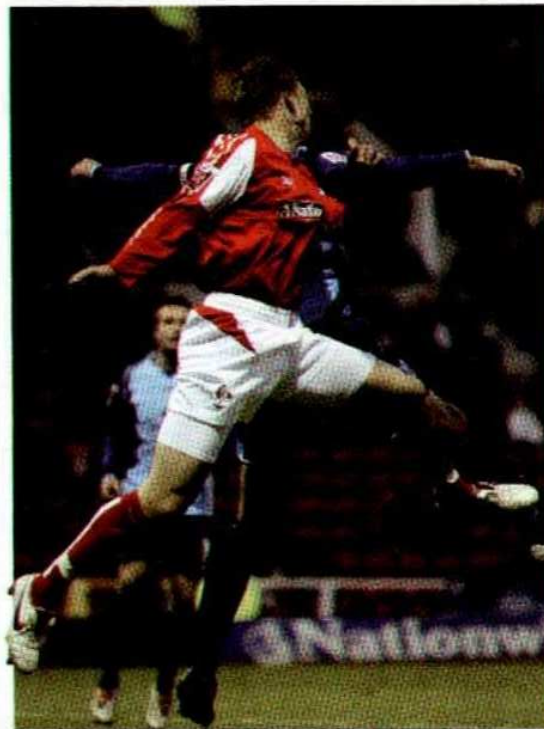
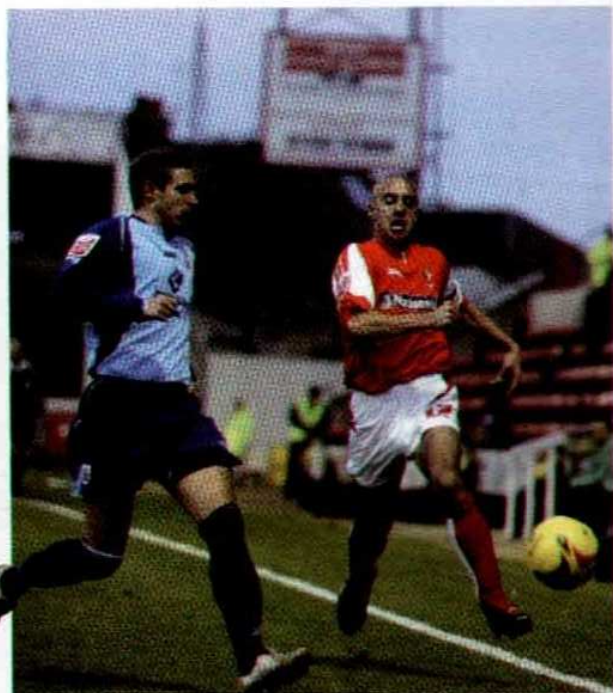
Barnsley kicked off after an impeccably observed one minutes' silence in memory of George Best who sadly passed away the day before the match. The visitors were awarded a free-kick after 10 seconds for a foul on the left wing but the Swindon defence cleared the resulting danger and the game settled down before Marc Richards unleashed a powerful rising shot in the 5th minute which went just over the bar.

The visitors were rewarded for their positive start to the match when Marc Richards was allowed to charge down the wing and sent a cross back to ex-Cheltenham player Martin Devaney who had the simple task of tapping home from close range in the 8th minute despite three Town defenders being in close proximity.

Barnsley went further ahead in the 50th minute with their first attack of the half when a long ball reached Chris Shuker on the right hand side of the area and after carefully controlling the ball, he unleashed a hard low angled shot under the body of Tom Heaton.

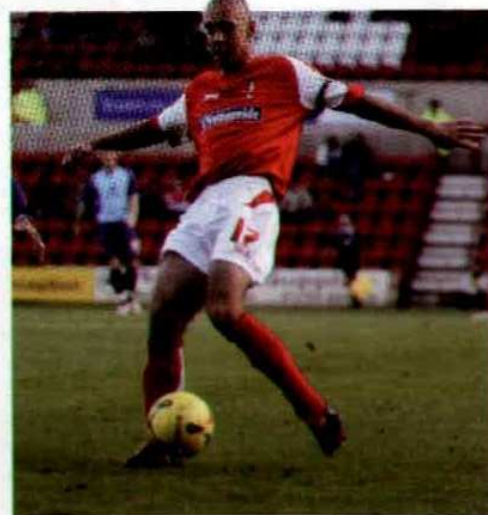
The visitors wrapped up the game through Chris Shuker who received the ball from Marc Richards before turning sharply and firing home from near the penalty spot to put the visitors in an unassailable three goal lead.





Swindon Town vs. Barnsley

Goals	Cards	Sub'd		Goals	Cards	Sub'd
Heaton			Coca-Cola LEAGUE 1 Sat 26th November County Ground Kick-Off 3.00pm Attendance: 5,422 Referee: D. Deadman MATCH STATS 7 Shots 9 0 On Target 6 12 Fouls 17 7 Corners 2 6 Cards 2 42% Possession 58%	Colgan		
Jenkins	■			Hassell		
O'Hanlon	■			Reid		
Ifil				Carbon		
Nicholas				Austin	■	
Roberts	■			Shuker	⚽ 2	77'
Miglioranzi		71'		McPhail		
Gurney	■	45'		Burns		82'
Comyn-Platt	■			Devaney	⚽	70'
Bouazza				Hayes		
Fallon	■			Richards	■	
Evans				Flinders		
Smith				Watt		
Whalley				Wroe		77'
Brown		75'	Kay		70'	
Mikolanda		45'	Tonçe		82'	



In The News



Notorious gangland killer Ronnie Kray dies in hospital 2 days after collapsing in Broadmoor prison.

The European Court of Justice rules that all EU footballers have the right to a free transfer between EU member states at the end of their contracts. This becomes known as the Bosman ruling.

Controversial artist Damien Hirst wins the Turner Prize with half a pickled cow.



In the computer world Microsoft launch Windows 95, while Sony launches the PlayStation games console.

Devastation hits the Japanese city of Kobe when a powerful earthquake destroys hundreds of buildings, apartment blocks and highways.

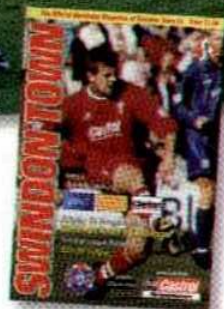


OJ Simpson is found not guilty of the murders of his ex-wife and her friend after a trial that gripped America for over a year.

Hundreds are killed when a car bomb explodes at a government building in Oklahoma City, USA.



Town Crowned Div 2 Champions



Ten years ago saw a season that supporters of both teams in action today have reason to remember well.

For Town, the campaign saw us hoist silverware as we clinched what remains the most recent of only two championships in our League history. For Blackpool, the play-offs beckoned as the Seasiders finished two places behind us.

In Wiltshire there rarely looked like being any other outcome. Occupying a Division Two automatic

promotion place for the entire season, Town stormed to the title, nine points clear of second place.

It was the last day of September before we tasted defeat when we travelled to Wrexham and left on the wrong end of a 4-3 score line. The previous nine games had produced seven wins and a couple of draws as we signalled our intention of regaining the Division One place we had surrendered the previous season.

But towards the end of the campaign the championship



Top Films

- Toy Story
- GoldenEye
- The Usual Suspects
- Ace Ventura II



- Seven
- Braveheart
- Batman Forever
- Jumanji



looked in doubt. Blackpool had not been outside the top six since August and at the end of March, after eight wins in ten matches, the Seaside pushed us off the top of the table.

By then though, Town had already launched into our own unbeaten 12-match run that would take us to the end of the season, and with that coinciding with a Blackpool slump of just two points in six games, things were ripe for an interloper on the promotion scene.

On the penultimate Saturday, Blackpool lost at home to Walsall while Oxford United won at Crewe.

Oxford had timed their run to perfection, overtaking Blackpool and settling into the highest place they'd occupied all season with just two matches to go. Future Town

assistant boss Malcolm Crosby helped manager Denis Smith, and home-loving winger Joey Beauchamp scored seven times.

But back to Wiltshire. Wayne Allison (above), scored 17 League goals to head the scoring chart. He's still knocking them in for Chesterfield. Steve Finney and Kevin Horlock both grabbed a dozen and Peter Thorne was the fourth man in



double figures with ten.

Town had lost just four times all season, and amazingly a 3-0 defeat at Oxford was amongst them.

Both games between Town and Blackpool finished in 1-1 draws. Steve Finney scored for Town at the County Ground on November 4th with James Quinn registering from the penalty spot for our visitors, and on April 20th Kevin Horlock and Andy Barlow were on the mark for their respective clubs at Bloomfield Road.

Blackpool's play-off campaign ended in disappointment. A 2-0 win at Bradford City must have raised hopes, but an incredible 3-0 home defeat in the second leg led to elimination and the sacking of manager Sam Allardyce, to be replaced by Gary Megson.

Tony Ellis and Andy Preece (not to be confused with David Preece who had played seven games on loan at the County Ground in March and April) notched 14 goals apiece in the League, and James Quinn (no, not Jimmy) scored another nine.

Bradford City eventually beat Notts County in the play-off final to join Town and Oxford in promotion.

Top Tunes

Boom Boom Boom
Outhere Brothers

Gangsta's Paradise
Coolio ft. LV

Country House
Blur

Cotton Eye Joe
Rednex

Think Twice
Céline Dion

Dreamer
Livin' Joy

Back for Good
Take That

Boombastic
Shaggy

Unchained Melody
Robson & Jerome

Earth Song
Michael Jackson

On the Box

They think it's all over

Father Ted

Hollyoaks

Shooting Stars

On this day...

17th December 1944

Germany counter-attacks in Ardennes

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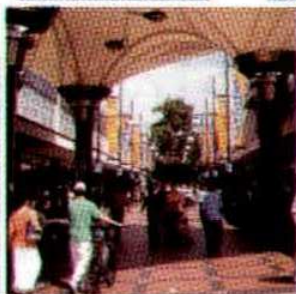
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Half-Time Draw

No win on the field at the Barnsley game, but Paul Spearman at least had his prize of £322 to take home as consolation, as his ticket number 96 came out, making him the half time draw winner.

Latest News

STFC Supporters Club Chairman Roger Bunce brings us the latest news, a Christmas message and an update on the scoreboard.

"It has been a difficult first half of the season on the field but our dedicated and loyal fans have been outstanding in the support of the team and also Supporters Club activities, given the circumstances.

"I would therefore like to take this opportunity of wishing all those supporters and everyone associated with the football club, a happy and hopefully, with a few more points

in the bag, a very Merry Christmas.

"Whilst writing my notes, I would also like to thank everyone for their patience whilst we repair the scoreboard. If all goes to plan we may see it back in operation today, but we have been intensely frustrated by continued delays in obtaining delivery of the required software from the USA. We have once again been promised delivery, this time, during the week prior to today's game and I can only hope that this promise is fulfilled and that no further delays occur," concluded Bunce.

Away Travel

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Pounds 4 Points

We are now up to a magnificent £54.50 per point and with 4 points from our last two away matches a further £218 enters our fund for youth development.

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We're going to Ibiza!

Swindon Town FC will be travelling to Ibiza for a pre-season tour ahead of the 2006/07 campaign... and Town supporters are being invited to come along!

The club will be taking part in the 'Copa Ibiza 2006' between 17th - 20th July 2006 in a three team tournament.

As well as the opportunity to watch Town in the sun, fans choosing to go on the trip will also be able to take part in a number of other activities including a one-day supporters football tournament.

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Red Army

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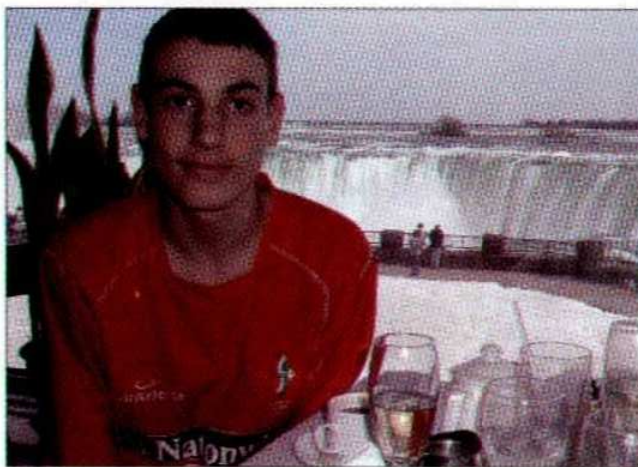
As an added incentive, a competition was run to find the best photo submitted and today we announce the winning picture.

The winning entry, right, was sent in by **Kevin Joynes-Creed**, who will receive a Swindon Town home shirt signed by Hameur Bouazza.

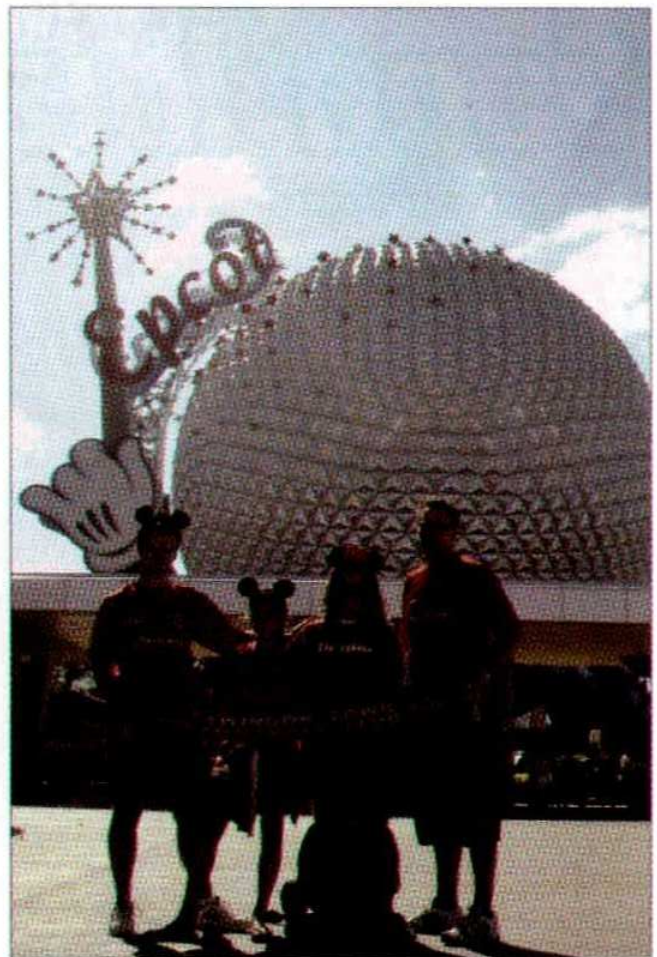
If you would like to have your photo featured in future issues, just email your snaps showing your Town colours around the world to chris@swindontownfc.co.uk



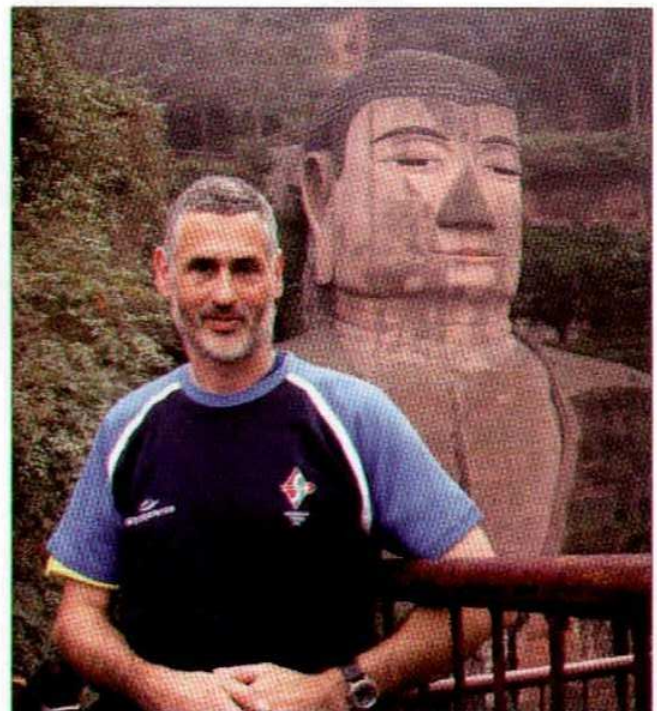
Rosie, Andrew and **Lucy French** making use of their Swindon Town shirts in the remotest parts of Borneo in July 2005.



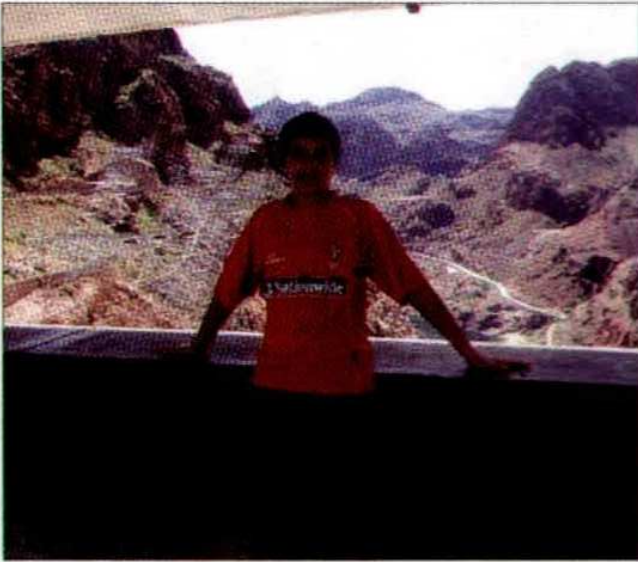
Former ballboy at The County Ground, **Andrew Church**, has now moved to Innisfil in Ontario, Canada. Andrew is seen here celebrating the move overlooking Niagara falls after receiving full immigration status. The Churches follow the Town on STFC World and hope to return to SN1 for a game soon.



This fantastic photo was taken at The Epcot Centre in Disney World, Florida. Pictured are **Kevin Joynes-Creed**, Wife **Caroline**, Brother in law **Roger** and Nieces **Ashleigh** and **Shannon**.



Searching for a midfield presence in China, Town fanatic **Roger Smith** found a "big player" at 80 metres tall. It's the sitting Buddha in Chendu (China) - the largest in the world.



Jonathan Glazer is seen here on the Hoover Dam in April 2005. He is standing on the Hoover Dam, at the exact point where the state of California meets Nevada. At that point, clocks have to be adjusted, as in California the clocks are one hour behind Nevada. Jon is standing with one foot in California and one foot in Nevada.



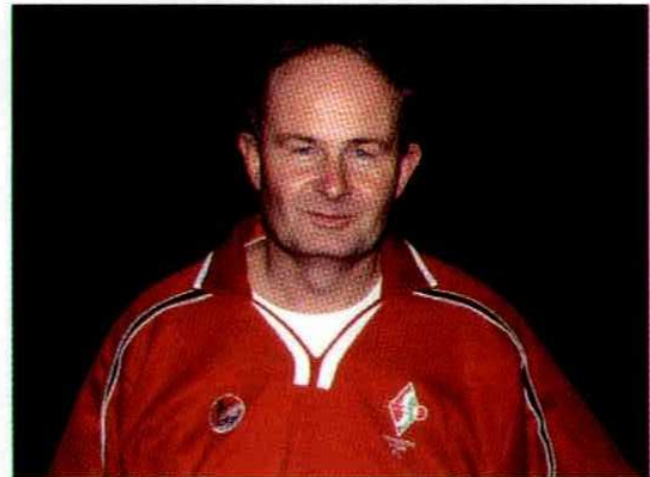
Rich Pullen is pictured here at the Gillette Stadium (Foxborough, Massachusetts) which is home to the New England Patriots (American Football) and New England Revolution.



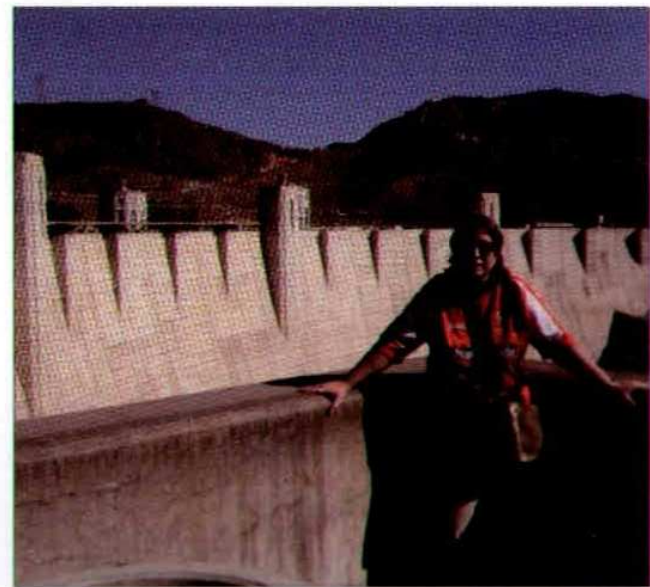
Mark Brooks, who welcomes guests into the Executive areas on a matchday at The County Ground, is seen here in Kabul, Afghanistan.



Town's favourite mascot **Rockin' Robin** is seen here with new best friend **Sarah Harding** of Girls Aloud, during his recent appearance on Blue Peter.



Town fan and matchday reporter **Adrian Smith** takes time out during a recent away fixture to pose for a snap proudly showing the red and white of STFC.



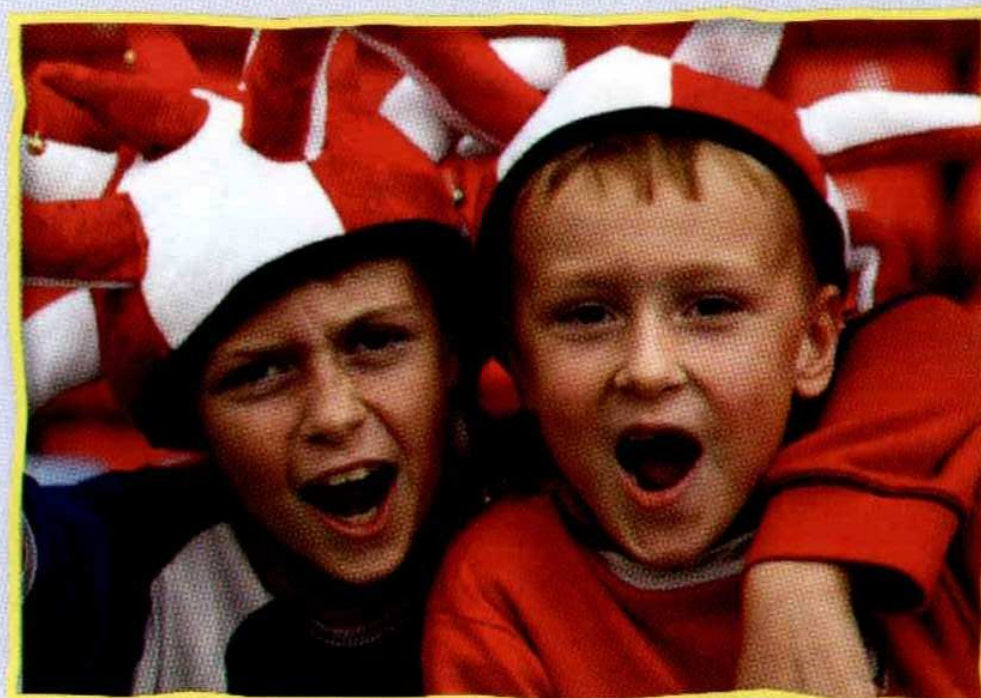
Robins' supporter **Emma Wenham** is seen here sporting her Town colours at the Hoover Dam in Nevada, USA.



JUNIOR ROBINS



with Andrea Garratt



Welcome JR's

Welcome to all the Junior Robins here this afternoon and of course to any newcomers who are taking advantage of our fantastic 'Kid a Quid' incentive.

Thanks must go to all to the Junior Robins who participated in the Christmas card competition, The entries were from; Chloe Tuck,

Jordan Tidd, Hannah Clinch, Billy Langham and Scott Langham. Look for the winning entry coming through your door soon as the prize was to have your entry made into the official Junior Robins Christmas card. Congratulations to Scott Langham for being the winner this year.

Remember to return your slip if you wish to attend the Junior Robins Christmas disco this Wednesday 21st

December from 7.00pm - 9.30pm. As well as the opportunity to have a boogie on the dance floor, there will be competitions, prizes and hopefully a special guest! There will be a small charge of £1 for this event, payable on the night.

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and healthy Christmas.

Andrea.

RANDOM ROBIN

Jake Pearce
Age: 12

Favourite past player?

Sam Parkin

Favourite present player?

Rory Fallon

Who do you think will be the top scorer for Swindon this season?

Rory Fallon

Who is your favourite non-Swindon player?

Steven Gerrard

Where do you think we'll finish this season?

Play-Offs

What was the first game you went to?

Swindon vs Peterborough



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HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Thomas Denmead
Callum Doak
Samuel Keenan
Samuel Cheesley
Anthony Alcock
Daniel Thatcher



Happy Birthday to Jennifer Hill who yesterday celebrated her 4th birthday. Jennifer has attended many home and away games this season and loves following the Town.

WORDSEARCH COMPETITION

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Find the hidden words relevant to today's visitors with the exception of one, which is listed but not in the grid. All correct entries will be put in a draw and the winner will receive an autographed photo of the player of their choice...

- LEE JONES
- MARK MCGREGOR
- GARETH EVANS
- KEITH SOUTHERN
- TONY BUTLER
- PETER CLARKE
- KEIGAN PARKER
- JOHN DOOLAN
- JOHN MURPHY
- SCOTT VERNON
- DANNY COID
- JAMIE BURNS
- MATTHEW BLINKHORN
- CIARAN DONNELLY
- SIMON WILES
- ROBERT EDWARDS
- PHIL DOUGHTY
- SIMON GRAYSON
- STUART ANDERSON
- MATTHEW SHAW

TODAY'S MASCOTS



Jack Telling is 7 years old and plays football for Lydiard Youth Under 8's. His favourite Town player is Rory Fallon.



Becky Evans celebrated her 30th birthday last Friday and this mascot package was a surprise gift. Her favourite player is Andy Gurney.



Ryan Perry won his mascot package by winning a competition at the 'Meet the Players' night. His favourite player is Rory Fallon.



Philip Plews is a keen follower of Blackpool and his favourite player is Keigan Parker.

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Ticket Prices	Arkells / Nationwide		Town End**		Family Enclosure***	
	Advanced	Matchday	Advanced	Matchday	Advanced	Matchday
Adult	£21.00	£23.00	£15.00	£15.00	£19.00	£19.00
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Away Tickets...

vs. **Chesterfield**



Recreation Ground
Wednesday 28th December '05
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 7.30pm

Seated Ticket Prices

Adult	£17.00
OAP	£11.00
Child	£11.00

All tickets are pay on the day. Terrace tickets will be available at a cost of £15 for adults, £8 for OAP's and £5 for children. There is no student discount. OAP must be over 60, Children under 15. ID/proof of age may be required.

vs. **Hartlepool United**



Victoria Park
Monday 2nd January 2006
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 3pm

Ticket Prices

Adult	£18.00
OAP	£9.00
Student	£9.00
Junior	£9.00

All tickets are pay on the day. Student tickets to be obtained from the Hartlepool United club shop on production of a valid student card. OAP must be over 65, Juniors under 19. ID will be required for all concession tickets.

vs. **Gillingham**



Priestfield Stadium
Saturday 14th January 2006
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 3pm

Ticket Prices

Adult	£15.00
OAP / Student	£13.00
Junior	£12.00

All tickets are pay on the day. OAP must be over 60, Juniors under 18. ID/proof of age may be required. More details will be available in the new year, check www.swindontownfc.co.uk for details.



NEXT HOME

vs. **Colchester United**

Monday 26th December 2005
Coca-Cola League One,
The County Ground, 3.00pm



It's a little over a week to Christmas and the office party season is in full swing. By the time we reconvene at the County Ground, we'll already be on the turkey left-overs. Boxing Day brings the visit of Colchester United.

The match however will not feature a Town player on a fine scoring run. On loan at Layer Road for two months, Jamie Cureton hit seven goals in seven matches for his temporary club, and he's hinted that he'd consider a permanent move should it be offered.

He scored the goal that claimed a 1-0 win at Hartlepool at the beginning of the month and supplied the ball for Chris Iwelumo (below right) to open the scoring last weekend at table-topping Swansea. The subsequent 1-1 draw ended a run of eight straight cup and league victories for Colchester and left the U's in the last play-off place.

Manager Phil Parkinson (below left) has done a steady job since taking over in February 2003 and looks set to lead the club to its highest League finish for many a year. United have lost just twice in 11 travelling League fixtures this season, a record which looks formidable.

But back to the exiled Robin, Iffy will be well aware of the effect a loan spell at Yeovil had on Rory Fallon last season. If Jamie Cureton returns to Wiltshire in 2006 to reproduce his current form for Town, his spell in Essex will have served a purpose for all three parties.



NEXT AWAY

vs. **Chesterfield**

Wednesday 28th December 2005
Coca-Cola League One,
Recreation Ground, 7.30pm



It seems rarely does a match go by without Town being pitched against and a favourite Robin of the past and 28th December will be no different.

We take the haul up to Derbyshire for a League One encounter with Chesterfield, and leading the line for the Spireites will be the Chief. Allison's name might be Wayne, but his appetite for continuing to bang in the goals at the age of 37 certainly isn't waning.

Now in the 18th season of his career, Allison is at his eighth club and is just three goals away from a career total of 200 League goals, 36 of which came in 122 games for Town between July 1997 and November 1999.

He's got seven already this season and will need careful watching, as will Paul Hall who is club top scorer with eight.

The Spireites are enjoying an impressive season, lying in 7th place in League One, a full ten places higher than last season's finish. A 1-1 draw at high flying Brentford last weekend kept Roy McFarland's team in with a shout of a play-off place.

At home, Chesterfield's record suggests a stern test ahead. Five wins and a draw out of the last six matches at Saltergate is amongst the best form in League One.

This will be the first meeting between the two clubs this season. With the teams at opposite ends of the table, the points on offer will be valuable for both teams for different reasons.



STFC 2005/06

FIXTURES, STATS & APPEARANCES

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

League One Table 15.12.05



	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
1 ▶ Swansea	21	12	6	3	46	24	42	+22
2 ▶ Huddersfield	21	11	6	4	36	28	39	+8
3 ▶ Brentford	21	10	7	4	31	22	37	+9
4 ▶ Barnsley	21	10	6	5	32	20	36	+12
5 ▶ Southend	21	10	5	6	34	24	35	+10
6 ▶ Colchester	21	9	7	5	29	22	34	+7
7 ▶ Chesterfield	21	10	4	7	35	31	34	+4
8 ▶ Nottm Forest	21	9	4	8	26	23	31	+3
9 ▶ Doncaster	21	9	3	9	27	24	30	+3
10 ▶ Bournemouth	21	8	6	7	26	24	30	+2
11 ▶ Bradford	21	7	8	6	22	19	29	+3
12 ▶ Hartlepool	21	8	5	8	24	26	29	-2
13 ▶ Oldham	21	8	5	8	29	34	29	-5
14 ▶ Port Vale	21	8	4	9	22	26	28	-4
15 ▶ Walsall	21	7	6	8	31	32	27	-1
16 ▶ Gillingham	21	7	5	9	18	29	26	-11
17 ▶ Scunthorpe	21	7	4	10	34	41	25	-7
18 ▶ Yeovil	21	7	4	10	25	33	25	-8
19 ▶ Tranmere	21	5	7	9	23	25	22	-2
20 ▶ MK Dons	21	4	10	7	24	29	22	-5
21 ▶ Blackpool	21	4	9	8	28	35	21	-7
22 ▶ Rotherham	21	4	7	10	23	28	19	-5
23 ▶ Bristol City	21	5	4	12	24	40	19	-16
24 ▶ Swindon	21	4	6	11	22	32	18	-10

League One Fixtures Saturday 17th December 2005

LWWL	Bournemouth	vs	Gillingham	WWDW
DWDLW	Bradford	vs	Rotherham	LLLD
DDWL	Chesterfield	vs	Oldham	DWDW
DWWW	Colchester	vs	Milton Keynes	LDWL
WLWWW	Doncaster	vs	Swansea	DWDWW
LDWWD	Huddersfield	vs	Southend	DLLL
LDWL	Port Vale	vs	Bristol City	WLLL
DWLLD	Swindon	vs	Blackpool	DLLL
DLDDW	Tranmere	vs	Brentford	DWDWD
DLWWW	Walsall	vs	Hartlepool	WLWL
WLILL	Yeovil	vs	Barnsley	WWDND

Played last night: Scunthorpe vs Nottm Forest

STFC Player Appearances & Goals 2005/06

	League			Cup			Total		
	aps	gls	y/r	aps	gls	y/r	aps	gls	y/r
EVANS, Rhys	7	0	0	-	-	-	7	0	0
O'HANLON, Sean	16	2	4/0	4	0	1/0	20	2	5/0
SMITH, Jack	17	0	2/0	2	0	1/0	19	0	3/0
NICOLAU, Nicky	3(2)	0	0	(1)	0	0	3(3)	0	0
IFIL, Jerel	17(1)	0	6/2	4	0	1/0	21(1)	0	7/2
JENKINS, Steve	8(3)	1	4/0	4	0	1/0	12(3)	1	5/0
WHALLEY, Gareth	14(1)	0	1/0	3	0	0	17(1)	0	1/0
FALLON, Rory	18	9	3/1	3(1)	2	1/0	21(1)	11	4/1
THORPE, Tony	6(1)	1	2/0	2(1)	0	1/0	8(2)	1	3/0
MIGLIORANZI, Stefano	11(1)	0	2/0	1	0	0	12(1)	0	2/0
CURETON, Jamie	6(4)	0	0	(2)	0	0	6(6)	0	0
SHAKES, Ricky	8(7)	0	0	2(1)	0	0	10(8)	0	0
NICHOLAS, Andy	10(2)	0	0	4	0	0	14(2)	0	0
COMYN-PLATT, Charlie	4(3)	0	1/0	2(3)	1	0	6(6)	1	1/0
ROBERTS, Christian	4(13)	3	2/0	4	1	1/0	8(13)	4	3/0
POOK, Michael	19	0	2/0	3(1)	1	0	22(1)	1	2/0
COLLINS, Patrick	13	0	2/0	-	-	-	13	0	2/0
MCDERMOTT, Neale	7(4)	2	0	2(1)	0	1/0	9(5)	2	1/0
HEATH, Colin	8(3)	1	2/0	3	0	0	11(3)	1	2/0
HEATON, Tom	14	0	1/0	5	0	0/1	19	0	1/1
GURNEY, Andy	9(1)	1	5/1	3	1	0	12(1)	2	5/1
BOUAZZA, Hameur	9	1	1/0	2	1	0	11	2	1/0
HOLGATE, Ashan	-	-	-	(2)	0	0	(2)	0	0
MIKOLANDA, Petr	(3)	0	0	-	-	-	(3)	0	0
BROWN, Aaron	1(2)	0	0	-	-	-	1(2)	0	0

Other Appearances: Matt Bulmar, 11; Alan Reeves, 1(+1); Ben Webb, 1(+1); Nicky Summerbee, 1; David Stroud, 2

Date	Opponents	Res	Att	Vis	Pos	Referee
Sat Aug 6	Barnsley	A	0-2	9,358	635	23rd A.Leake
Tue Aug 9	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	2-3	5,123	324	24th P.Armstrong
Sat Aug 13	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	H	2-1	8,201	2,498	19th A.D'Urso
Sat Aug 20	Blackpool	A	0-0	4,661	539	19th N.Miller
Tue Aug 23	WYCOMBE WANDERERS (CC1)	H	1-3	3,976	417	x P.Taylor
Sat Aug 27	YEOVIL TOWN	H	4-2+	6,973	1,342	14th P.Walton
Mon Aug 29	Tranmere Rovers	A	0-1	7,557	249	14th E.Ilderton
Sat Sep 3	Walsall	A	0-1	5,392	325	16th T.Kettle
Sat Sep 10	SOUTHEND UNITED	H	1-2	4,785	533	20th M.Fletcher
Sat Sep 17	Bournemouth	A	1-2	7,276	709	22nd B.Knight
Sat Sep 24	BRADFORD CITY	H	2-3	4,590	292	23rd A.Bates
Tue Sep 27	Doncaster Rovers	A	0-1	5,282	201	24th N.Miller
Sat Oct 1	Milton Keynes Dons	A	1-3	5,536	900	24th J.Singh
Sat Oct 8	PORT VALE	H	1-2	4,531	189	24th P.Melin
Sat Oct 15	Brentford	A	0-0	6,969	762	24th P.Walton
Tue Oct 18	STEVENAGE BOROUGH (LDV1)	H	2-0	1,771	60	→ D.Whitstone
Sat Oct 22	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H	1-1	4,972	384	24th S.Dorr
Sat Oct 29	Huddersfield Town	A	1-1	11,352	307	24th A.D'Urso
Sat Nov 5	BOSTON UNITED (FAC1)	H	2-2	3,814	300	- B.Curson
Fri Nov 11	BRISTOL CITY	H	2-1	7,804	1,215	24th A.Hall
Wed Nov 16	Boston United (FAC1)	A	1-4	2,467	181	x B.Curson
Sat Nov 19	Port Vale	A	1-1	4,108	229	24th R.Styles
Tue Nov 22	Peterborough United (LDV2)	A	1-2	959	112	x P.Taylor
Sat Nov 26	BARNSELY	H	0-3	5,422	276	24th D.Deadman
Sat Dec 3	Rotherham United	A	1-0	3,537	210	23rd E.Ilderton
Sat Dec 10	Oldham Athletic	A	2-2	5,354	220	24th C.Oliver
Sat Dec 17	BLACKPOOL	H				
Mon Dec 26	COLCHESTER UNITED	H		3:00pm		
Wed Dec 28	Chesterfield	A		7:30pm		
Sat Dec 31	SWANSEA CITY	H		12:30pm		
Mon Jan 2	Hartlepool United	A		3:00pm		
Sat Jan 7	WALSALL (or FAC3)	H				
Sat Jan 14	Gillingham	A				
Sat Jan 21	BOURNEMOUTH	H				
Fri Jan 27	Southend United	A		7:45pm		
Sat Feb 4	DONCASTER ROVERS	H				
Sat Feb 11	Bradford City	A				
Tue Feb 14	GILLINGHAM	H				
Sat Feb 18	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H				
Sat Feb 25	Nottingham Forest	A				
Sat Mar 4	TRANMERE ROVERS	H				
Sat Mar 11	Yeovil Town	A				
Sat Mar 18	Colchester United	A				
Sat Mar 25	CHESTERFIELD	H				
Sat Apr 1	Swansea City	A				
Sat Apr 8	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H				
Sat Apr 15	MILTON KEYNES DONS	H				
Mon Apr 17	Scunthorpe United	A		3:00pm		
Sat Apr 22	BRENTFORD	H				
Sat Apr 29	Bristol City	A				
Sat May 6	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H				

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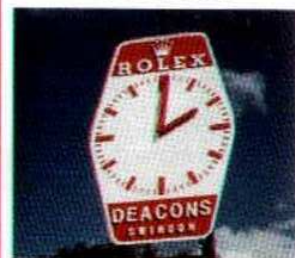
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Swindon Town vs. 
Colchester

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Swindon to win by 2 or more	16/1
Scoredraw	11/2
Blackpool to win by 1 goal	15/2
Blackpool to win by 2 or more	50/1

First Scorer

Fallon	5/1	Murphy	7/1
Bouazza	5/1	Parker	7/1
Roberts	11/2	Wright	8/1
Mikolanda	11/2	Southern	14/1
Shakes	17/2	Wilcox	16/1
McDermott	18/1	Clarke	18/1
O'Hanlon	28/1	Morris	28/1

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