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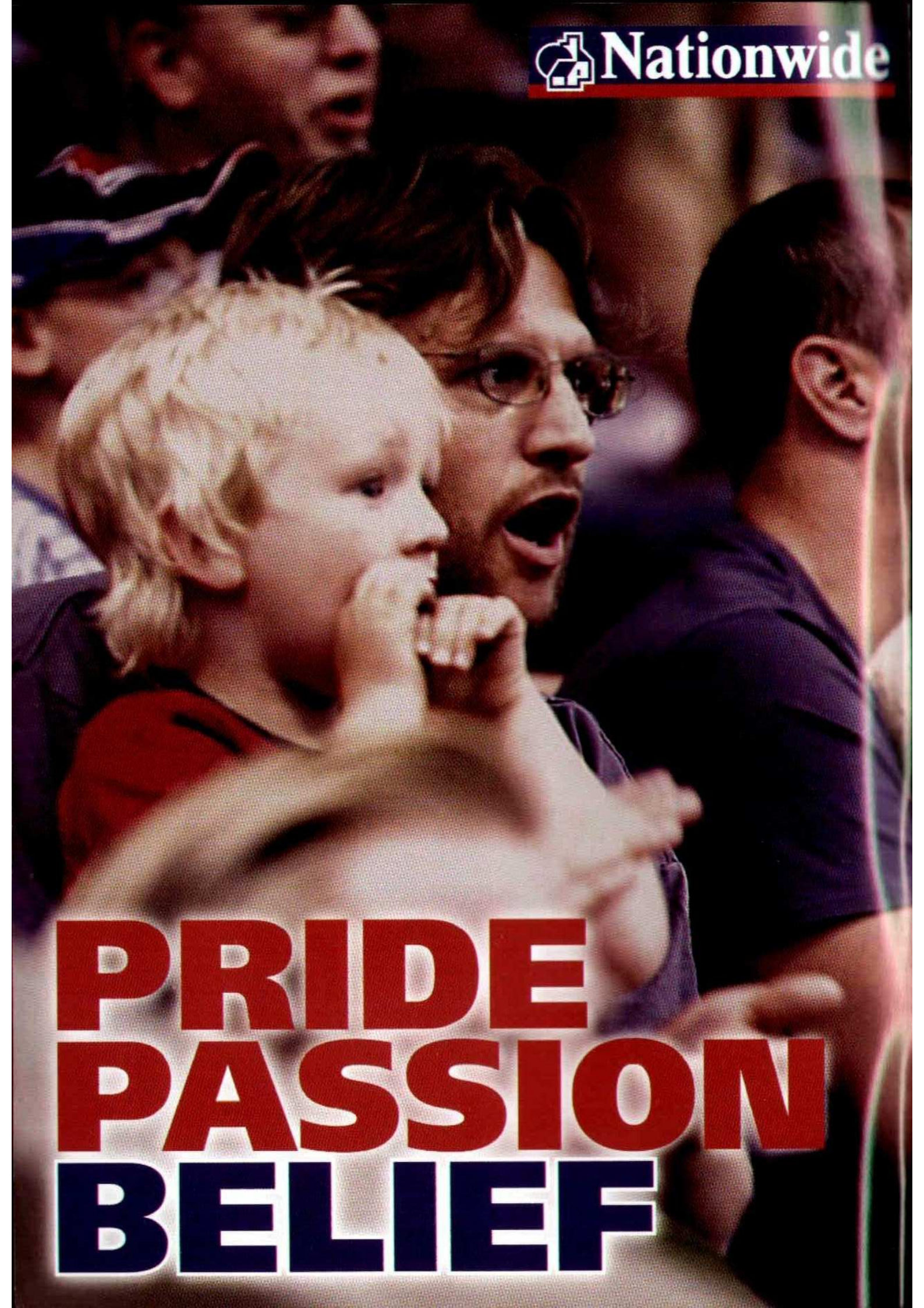
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EditorsComment

Good afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground for the start of a crucial run of home fixtures as race for League One safety rumbles on.

Inside STFC Magazine today we feature an in-depth interview with midfielder Gareth Whalley and get his views on his comeback into the side, as well as an A-Z from Steve Jenkins. There is also an interview with new signing Chris McPhee and a review of the recent visits of Matt Le Tissier and Graham Taylor to SN1.

I am sure last weekend was a somewhat strange affair for many supporters, being left without a game, but hopefully the team can get straight back on track with a win today.

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Did you know ?

Swindon Town have only met Hartlepool on 16 occasions prior to this afternoon's game. Town currently have the upper hand, having won 8 games compared to the 'Pools 3. Five games have been draws.

Iffy Onuora



Good afternoon and welcome back for this afternoon's important clash with Hartlepool United here at The County Ground.

Our last encounter with Hartlepool saw us take a point at Victoria Park in January. I thought we were good value for it and were in control until they took the lead, but thankfully Rory popped up with a late header to secure a valuable point.

I watched the reserves in midweek and they produced a 4-0 win against Plymouth Argyle. We had a young side out with a couple of 16-year olds in defence but they did well. If you take away Christian and 'Stef' from

involved and they didn't look out of place at all which bodes well for the future of the club.

There was a new face at training on Tuesday. Jamie Cox, who won the chance to train with the team at a TrustSTFC auction, came along and took part in the session with the first team. He did well and probably played a bit longer than we thought he would. It was a welcome to professional football when he got tackled by Paul Smith, who was coming back from injury and full of

enjoyed every minute of the job and it has been a big challenge, but one that I think we are meeting. It is about getting things right on a matchday, preparing the players in the right way and getting a result. The improvement has continued and hopefully we can come up with another three points today.

This is an extremely important seven days for us now with three games coming up. We will know a lot more about about ourselves and where we stand once we have faced Hartlepool and MK Dons as well as the visit to Swansea City.

The challenge is there for us. None of the games are easy but I'm sure with your support we can produce the results we need.

Enjoy the game,

Iffy Onuora

"This is an extremely important seven days for us now. We will know a lot more about about ourselves and where we stand once we have faced Hartlepool, MK Dons and Swansea..."

the equation then you are left with a very young side, but it was encouraging. In terms of a learning process it can only help the younger players to be

energy! It was an enjoyable experience for him and the lads gave him a signed shirt after the session.

Since taking over I have

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Swindon Town Football Club are taking part in Copa Ibiza this summer - have you booked up to join them?

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Boardroom Talk



Good afternoon to you all and welcome back to The County Ground for today's vital game with Hartlepool, although they are all vital at this stage of the season! I would also like to offer our customary welcome to the visiting Directors, Players and Supporters who have made the long journey from the North this afternoon.

At our last home game, BBC Radio Swindon once again asked me to join them to co commentate on the match. This shows how desperate Shaun Hodgetts and Ed Hadwin were, but I can assure all licence fee payers that I was not paid for my 'services' so no need to worry about misuse of fee-payers funds. Have to say that I enjoy getting involved in this way, and I'm always impressed with the way Shaun and Ed handle their commentaries whilst listening to information and scores coming in from the studio and then relaying that information to their listeners seamlessly.

What really impressed me though was the way in which your support, despite a few near misses in a frustrating first half, stayed upbeat and positive. The players then repaid that support in the second half with an improved performance and goals to match. I can't say enough how important your support is to the players. They desperately want to win, and your patience helped give them the platform to go and win the game. More of the same please today and I really believe the players can impose themselves on our opponents and secure three more valuable points.

It was weird to have a mini-break in our season last Weekend. Mike



Sullivan and I decided to take in the MK Dons versus Gillingham game to see how two of the clubs involved in the scrap with us got on. All that Mike could report back to Iffy was that the profiteroles were really nice and chocolatey, and how he had a cuddle with the daughter of the MK Dons Chairman. A lot of help he was. I know a lot of people won't like me saying this but, I found the staff at the MK Dons were all very friendly and approachable, and their future plans, which involve moving to their new stadium next season are very exciting. They enjoy a good healthy partnership with their local authority, who have been heavily involved in the building of the new stadium, even sharing a Chief Executive until recently.

Can I just add my twopenn'th to the great diving (or is that simulation) debate. If a player is found to have dived without being touched, why not a ten minute stay in a sin-bin. If he does it again, off he goes. But

we should all be very careful before taking the moral high ground. How many of us would have complained if it had been Gary Lineker, not Maradona, handling the ball into the back of the Argentina net back in '86. Not many I suspect. I remember seeing Devon White, playing for QPR against Everton, smashing the ball into the net with his hand, and the fans celebrated as normal, mixed with a big helping of laughter. I'm sure the Everton fans did not share that feeling. I don't recall any QPR fans going on a radio phone in to moan about their own players lack of morals. What goes around comes around and these things have a habit of even-ing out over the course of a season.

Enjoy the game and please keep up your tremendous support.

Mark Devlin

The Future's Bright, it's Red and White

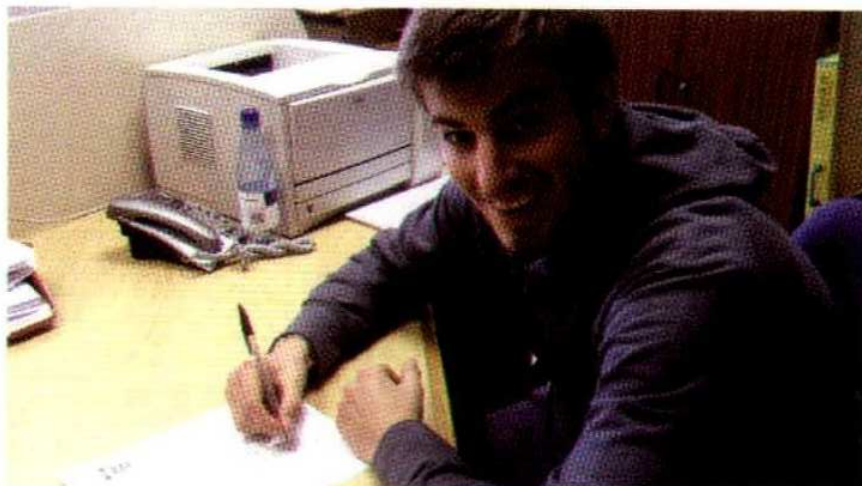
Three Swindon Town players have their futures to the club by signing extended contracts.

Charlie Comyn-Platt, Michael Pook and Jack Smith have all put pen to paper on extended deals which will see them stay at The County Ground until the end of the 2006/07 season.

Since signing from Bolton Wanderers last summer, Comyn-Platt has made 21 appearances for the club and has impressed with his versatility in a number of positions.

He has also proved his worth in front of goal and has registered two important strikes this season. The first was a dramatic FA Cup equalizer against Boston United and the second a winner against Doncaster Rovers in League One.

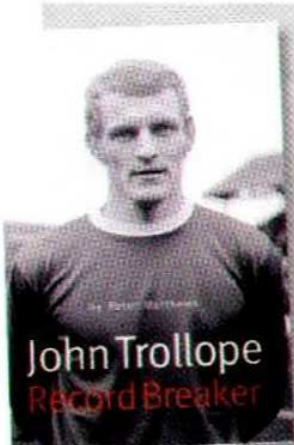
Jack Smith has been a regular



feature in the side since signing from Watford last summer on a one-year deal. The former Hornet has made 31 starts in League One and has also proved his value to the squad – fulfilling roles in defence and in midfield.

Michael Pook has also extended

his stay in Wiltshire, the Swindon-born midfielder has shown much promise during his 28 first team starts this term. Pook (above) has progressed through the youth ranks here at The County Ground and has made a successful transition from Youth Team Captain to the first team.



John Trollope Book Launched

John Trollope MBE holds a record that is unlikely to be beaten: between 1960 and 1980 he played 770 league games for Swindon Town – a record number of league appearances for one club.

This book tells the remarkable story, not only of his playing career, but also his subsequent 16 years of service to the club as manager and coach.

The book has been produced with John Trollope's full cooperation and his strident views about those he played with and worked with, from Don Rogers to Glenn Hoddle are given free rein. He tells about his life as a professional footballer in a game that was very different from the sport we know today.

Twenty-five years have now passed since John broke his record. This book is a tribute to a remarkable achievement and an incredible career, and is sure to appeal to anyone with an interest in John, Swindon Town and the history of football in this country.

John Trollope: Record Breaker is available now priced at just £16.99. It can be found at any good bookshop, or can be ordered direct from the publisher online at www.breedonbooks.co.uk or by calling 01332 384235.

Family Fun Day

Swindon Town's home game against MK Dons will be a Family Fun Day, in conjunction with Wiltshire's GWR FM.

Ticket prices for the game have been reduced in a bid to attract as many supporters as possible through the gates for what is an extremely important game which forms part of the end of season run-in.

Prices for the visit of MK Dons, which takes place on Saturday April 15th, are as follows:

Arkells / Nationwide Stand

Adults	£15
Concessions	£5
Children (Under 16)	£2

Town End

Adults	£13
Concessions	£5
Children (Under 16)	£2

£1 out of every kid's ticket sold will be donated to the GWR FM Community Trust. For more details please call the STFC Box Office on 0870 443 1894.

Player of the Year Vote

The time has come for all Swindon Town fans to vote for your official 'Player of the Year.'

You can register your vote via email to chris@swindontownfc.co.uk or online at swindontownfc.co.uk using the poll. Please include 'Player of the Season' in the subject line.

Voting closes on Saturday April 22 at midnight. Only one vote is allowed per person. The player who receives the most vote will be crowned Swindon Town Football Club Player of the Year on April 29th at the Player of the Year Awards.

All players who have made ten or more appearances this season are eligible for the award. Please choose from the list below.

Rhys Evans, Sean O'Hanlon, Jack Smith, Jerel Ifil, Steve Jenkins, Gareth Whalley, Lee Peacock, Stefani Miglioranzi, Jamie Cureton, Ricky Shakes, Andy Nicholas, Charlie Comyn-Platt, Christian Roberts, Michael Pook, Aaron Brown, Andy Gurney.

If you would like to book your place at the Player of the Year Awards on Sunday April 30th, please email sarah@swindontownfc.co.uk or call 01793 333718. See page 45 for more information.



Run Run Run Run Robin!

Rockin' Robin is competing in this year's London Marathon and is appealing for help from Town's supporters!

Town Boss Iffy Onuora recently gave his support to Rockin's efforts, as he put RR, as well as mascots from Watford and Wycombe Wanderers through their paces at The County Ground for Sky Sports News.

Rockin' is running with a team of mascots including Harry the Hornet from Watford and the Thames Water Camels who had a penalty shootout with

Rockin' at the County Ground the other week.

The reliant robin is running for children's charity VICTA which supports the families of visually impaired children. Rockin' needs to raise a MINIMUM of £850 and is hoping that the Swindon faithful can lend a helping hand.

If you would like to help Rockin' with his running or to make a donation please contact him directly via rockintherobin@hotmail.com or on his direct Nest Line: 07884 264424.



Gurney Starts Suspension

Swindon Town face Hartlepool United at The County Ground today, but will have to do without the suspended Andy Gurney.

The former Swansea City defender, who rejoined Town in January 2006 after just 25 league starts for The Swans, has been handed a two-match suspension after receiving his tenth yellow card of the campaign against Chesterfield.

Gurney, who also picked up a yellow card in the previous game at Colchester United, will be forced to miss today's visit of Hartlepool as well as a return to his former club, Swansea City, this Tuesday 11th April.

Extra Concert Seats Available

With seats for the Bryan Adams Concert now close to a sell-out, the club have today made an extra 300 seats available.

The extra seats will be located in the Nationwide Stand and Arkells Stand and are priced at £35 and £40 for the concert at The County Ground which will take place on the evening of Thursday June 8th 2006.

Don't forget you can now purchase tickets for the concert online right here at swindontownfc.co.uk or in person from the STFC Box Office.

Standing tickets on the pitch for the concert are also still available and priced at £30.

If you require any further information regarding the concert then please do not hesitate to call the STFC Box Office on 0870 443 1894.



Swindon Town

Cureton, 53, 90

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Chesterfield

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Jamie Cureton's first brace for Swindon Town earned a good win for The Robins against high-flying Chesterfield.

Charlie Comyn-Platt and Trevor Benjamin returned to the starting line-up as Iffy Onuora shuffled his pack with Andy Nicholas and Lee Peacock missing out.

It was the visitors who had the first opportunity to open the scoring but Alan O'Hare saw his header cleared off the line. In response Town had two chances through free-kicks but were unable to test visiting keeper Rob Beckwith.

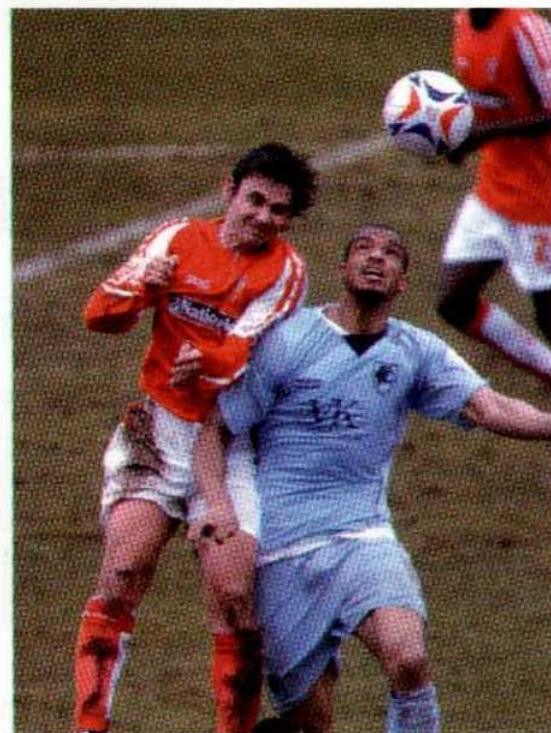
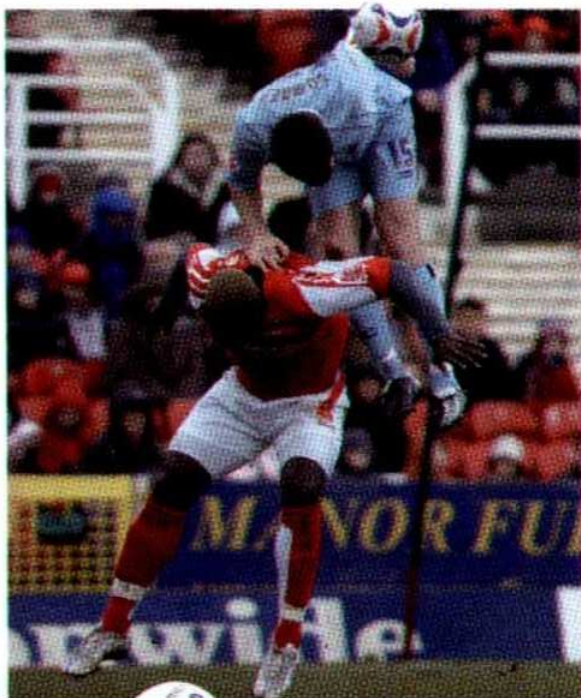
Trevor Benjamin, making his second start in a Town shirt, saw a near post header flash narrowly wide from a Cureton centre. Jack Smith and Benjamin then had further chances before half-time but the teams went in with the game all-square.

Iffy Onuora introduced Toumani Diagouraga at half-time replacing Michael Pook and he was involved straight away setting up a chance for Cureton who was denied by Beckwith in a one-on-one when the stopper saved the shot with his legs. Diagouraga saw a shot blocked before Jack Smith shot wide with the goal at his mercy.

Diagouraga was featuring in most of Town's attacking play and he set up Benjamin who fired a shot goal-bound. His shot was spilled by Beckwith, only for Jamie Cureton to bundle in the rebound from close range in the 53rd minute.

Town's added pressure paid off right at the end of the 90 minutes when a through ball by Gareth Whalley reached Jamie Cureton on the edge of the area. 'Curo' took a couple of paces forward before firing past Beckwith and he gleefully celebrated with the fans in front of the Town End.





Swindon Town vs. Chesterfield

Goals Cards Sub'd			Goals Cards Sub'd		
Evans			Beckwith		
J.Smith			Bailey		
Jenkins			Downes		
Gurney	■	90'	O'Hare	■	73'
O'Hanlon			Picken		
Brown			Niven		
Pook		45'	Allott		
Whalley			O'Hara		
Comyn-Platt			Hall		81'
Cureton	⚽ 2		Smith		61'
Benjamin		82'	Folan		
Wit		90'	Röche		
Diagouraga	■	45'	Foyle		77'
Shakes			Hurst		84'
McPhee		67'	Heath		
Jutkiewicz			Larkin		87'

MATCH STATS	
9	Shots
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11	Fouls
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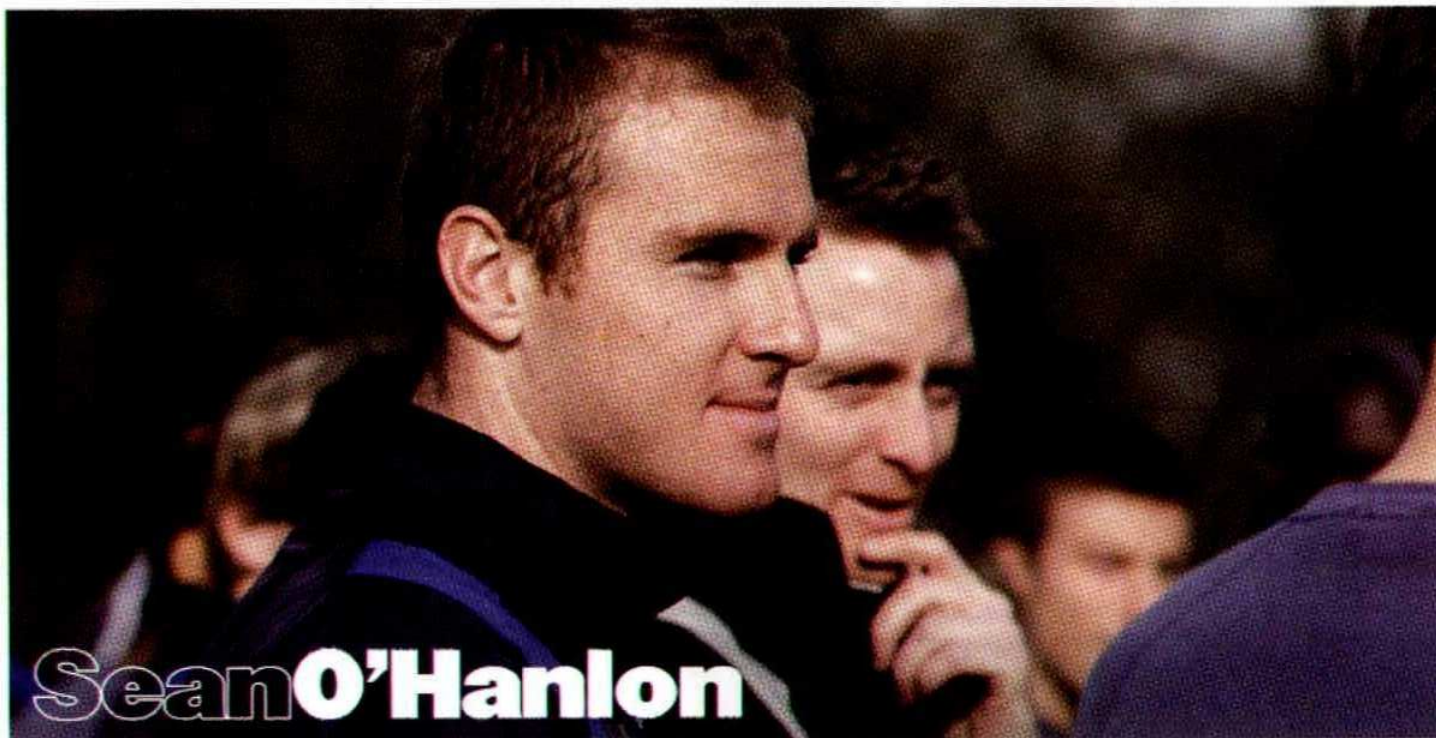


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Good afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground for the visit of Hartlepool.

We were left without a game last weekend because of Swansea City's involvement in the Football League Trophy on Sunday, but thankfully the League One results fell nicely for us. In saying that, we are in no position to rely on others. There are seven games left now and each one of those is of vital importance.

Hartlepool United are always a tough side to play against, especially at Victoria Park. Our first game of 2006 was the long trip to 'The Vic' and we came away with a hard-fought point.

Our last home encounter against Chesterfield brought a welcome three points thanks to double strike from Jamie Cureton. I thought we were patient in our play and having overcome a few early scares, managed to make the breakthrough.

From a defensive point of view I thought we were

solid enough and most importantly we kept a clean sheet. We have now conceded just one goal in our last three games and if we can continue that sort of defensive record, as well as scoring a few, then we will give ourselves every chance of picking up the wins we need.

The players know the importance of this afternoon's game and I am sure you, the supporters, will be doing your best once again to lift the noise levels around The County Ground. Your support over the course of the season has been nothing short of fantastic. Let's hope we can all be celebrating another win today.

Enjoy the game,

Seano

STFC WORLD

The week on STFC World...

Monday 3rd

Chris McPhee speaks to STFC World about his career to date and joining Swindon.

Tuesday 4th

Highlights available of the away encounter at Hartlepool United in January 2006.

Wednesday 5th

Post-match reaction after reserves midweek encounter with Plymouth.

Thursday 6th

Exclusive player interview direct from the training ground.

Friday 7th

Manager Iffy Onuora gives his thoughts ahead of the weekend's game.

Saturday 8th

Matchlive! Full commentary live from The County Ground as Town take on The Pools.

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Did you know ?

The late Brian Clough began his managerial career with Hartlepool back in 1965. The legendary gaffer famously visited every pub and club in the town to raise funds and went on to built one of the most successful teams in the club's history.

Hartlepool United

Words: Dave Wallis



What a vital match today's game is for both teams. With Hartlepool just two points and three places above us, the winner will claim the higher league position at 5 o'clock tonight and ease their relegation fears.

It's been a season of flux for 'Pools. Losing manager Neale Cooper for the last game of last season, Martin Scott stepped into the breach but has subsequently been replaced by Paul Stephenson.

They find themselves in unfamiliar territory. After successive play-off finishes, few expected to see them fighting for points at the other end of the table, and perhaps the same could be said for Town.

At the beginning of the week, top marksman was Eifion Williams with six in the League and Michael Proctor and Antony Sweeney were both on five behind him. Proctor of course spent a month on loan at the County Ground last spring while a Rotherham player, scoring twice in his two games in a Town shirt.

He was here courtesy of funding from the Red Army Fund, and today

may well see the RAF's latest acquisition take to the pitch. Chris McPhee is in Wiltshire under a similar arrangement and a goal from him today would be very welcome.

A draw will be more useful to our visitors than us, but neither team will be happy with a point. Before kick-off both teams have 21 points to play for. Who knows how vital those on offer today could be?

ONE TO WATCH: MICHAEL NELSON

Michael has been a dominant force in the heart of Pools' defence since joining the Club in the summer of 2003 and has become one of the most respected players in League One.

He made a move to Bury from Bishop Auckland in 2001 having enjoyed a successful trial period and went on to become a fans' favourite at Gigg Lane. Having scooped the Player of the Year Award for The Shakers he moved home to join Pools and made an instant impression. On the opening

day of the 2003/2004 campaign, Nelson strode forward to blast home a 30-yard blockbuster to give Pools a 4-3 win at Peterborough - he's never looked back since.

He is aggressive in the tackle and superb in the air, he's been in contention for the Player of the Year awards at The Vic in both his seasons with the Club - you wouldn't count him out of the running for the 2005/2006 prize either.





Hartlepool United



Last 5's

Season	League	Pos	FAC	LC
04/05	League One	6th	R4	R2
03/04	Division Two	6th	R3	R2
02/03	Division Three	2nd	R1	R1
01/02	Division Three	7th	R1	R1
00/01	Division Three	4th	R1	R1

Date	Venue	F-A	Att.
02.01.06	Victoria Park	1-1	4,169
02.04.05	Victoria Park	0-3	4,936
28.08.04	County Ground	3-0	5,365
08.05.04	County Ground	1-1	11,627
29.11.03	Victoria Park	0-2	4,493

Date	Opponents	H/A	Score
31.03.06	Oldham Athletic	H	D1-1
25.03.06	Southend United	A	L3-0
18.03.06	Barnsley	H	D1-1
14.03.06	Scunthorpe United	A	L2-0
10.03.06	Huddersfield Town	H	W3-1

Player	From	£
Jon-Paul Pittman	Nottm Forest	Loan
Gerard Nash	Ipswich	Loan
James Walker	Charlton	Loan
Dean McDonald	Ipswich	Loan
Neill Collins	Sunderland	Loan

Player	To	£
Jon Daly	Bury	Loan
Darren Craddock	York City	Loan
Gavin Strachan	Stockport	Loan
Darrell Clarke	Port Vale	Loan
Jack Ross	Falkirk	Free

The Squad

Dimitrios Konstantopoulos has become a huge favourite with the fans at Victoria Park after producing some outstanding goalkeeping displays. The former Greece Under 21 international is commanding in his area, his kicking is very strong and he is renowned as a fine shot stopper.

Experienced professional **Micky Barron** is the Club's longest-serving player and has pretty much seen it all during his time at Victoria Park. The Club Captain has been with Pools

since 1996 when he joined at the end of a successful loan spell. Despite beginning as a centre-back, Barron is now an established right-back and gives his all for the cause. **Darren Williams** became Martin Scott's fourth signing as Manager when he joined the Club in July 2005. The versatility of the Middlesbrough-born player was a big attraction, with Williams able to operate anywhere across the back four or in midfield. **Ben Clark** was signed from Sunderland in October 2004 after five years at the Stadium of Light. Youngster **Matty Robson** has now made over 50 starts for Hartlepool

Probable Line-Up



and has enjoyed a good run in the side at left-back. He is a player who likes to get forward as much as possible and can also play further up the left flank if called upon.

Ritchie Humphreys arrived at Victoria Park in the summer of 2000 looking to rebuild his career after a broken leg suffered whilst playing for Cambridge United. He has played the majority of his games wide on the left for Pools, though he can operate anywhere in midfield and also up front. **Thomas Butler** joined Pools on a short-term contract at the end of last season and showed some real glimpses of his undoubted quality. The former Sunderland winger had spent time North of the border with Dunfermline but the Dublin-born wide man has represented the Republic of Ireland at Under 21 and Senior level in the past. He signed an extended deal with the Club in June. Young midfielder **Michael Maidens** made his first start for the Pools in the game at Blackpool in September 2005. His positive running means that he is an exciting player to watch and he can play on either flank and has a keen eye for goal, whether at close range or from distance. **Lee Bullock** became Martin Scott's first signing as Pools boss when

he made the switch from Cardiff City in June 2005. The attacking midfielder joined The Bluebirds from York City for £100,000 in the summer of 2004 but only made a handful of appearances for the Championship side. A goalscorer against Oldham Athletic last weekend in the 1-1 home draw. Youngster **Stephen Turnbull** captained the Youth Team during the Dallas Cup in 2005 when Pools achieved a creditable third place in the prestigious Super Group. Comfortable with the ball on either foot, Stephen also made a regular impact at Reserve Team level last season and was also named in the First Team on six occasions.

A player who Town fans know all about after a month on loan at SN1 in 2005, **Michael Proctor** joined Pools just in time to travel with them on their pre season tour to Holland. He played his football with Rotherham United last season but was made surplus to requirements when The Millers were relegated. Proctor made his debut for Sunderland at Everton in November 1998 and scored his first goal for them in a win against Liverpool. **Eifion Williams** joined Pools from Torquay United in March 2001 and immediately got in amongst the goals. The Welshman was the Club's top scorer in his first two full seasons at The Vic and his performances pushed him in to the international reckoning at the end of the 2003/2004 campaign.

Paul Stephenson

A silky midfielder during his playing days, Stephenson started out at boyhood heroes Newcastle United before making a £300,000 move to London outfit Millwall in November 1988.

He spent five seasons with The Lions, including two in top division, before joining Brentford and then York City. He joined the ranks at Hartlepool United in March 1998 and soon became a favourite with the fans following some skilful displays on the right wing.

After suffering a knee injury however, his playing days were ended and he was offered a role in the Youth Development setup in 2003 and in July of that year was offered the post of Youth Team Manager. In his first season in charge, he guided his youngsters to success in the SAGE Tournament and also, of course, the Under 19 Trophy in the Dallas Cup.

After the departure of Martin Scott from the Club in February 2006, Stephenson was put in temporary charge of First Team affairs.



- During the First World War a German Zeppelin on a **bombing mission** to the Teesside industrial area jettisoned its load onto Hartlepool's Victoria Ground, destroying the main stand. A 'temporary' replacement stand was built, which actually lasted until 1985!

Interesting Facts...

- When the Victoria Ground was covered under a blanket of snow in the late 1920's, then 'Pools manager Bill Norman ordered players to **strip for training**. When they complained about the conditions, Norman was said to have stripped naked himself and



rolled in the snow as motivation!

- In January 1957 Hartlepool met Manchester United in the 3rd round of the FA Cup. In front of a **club record 17,264**, Pools eventually lost 4-3 in what United manager Matt Busby (left) famously described in his autobiography as "The most exciting match I've ever seen."



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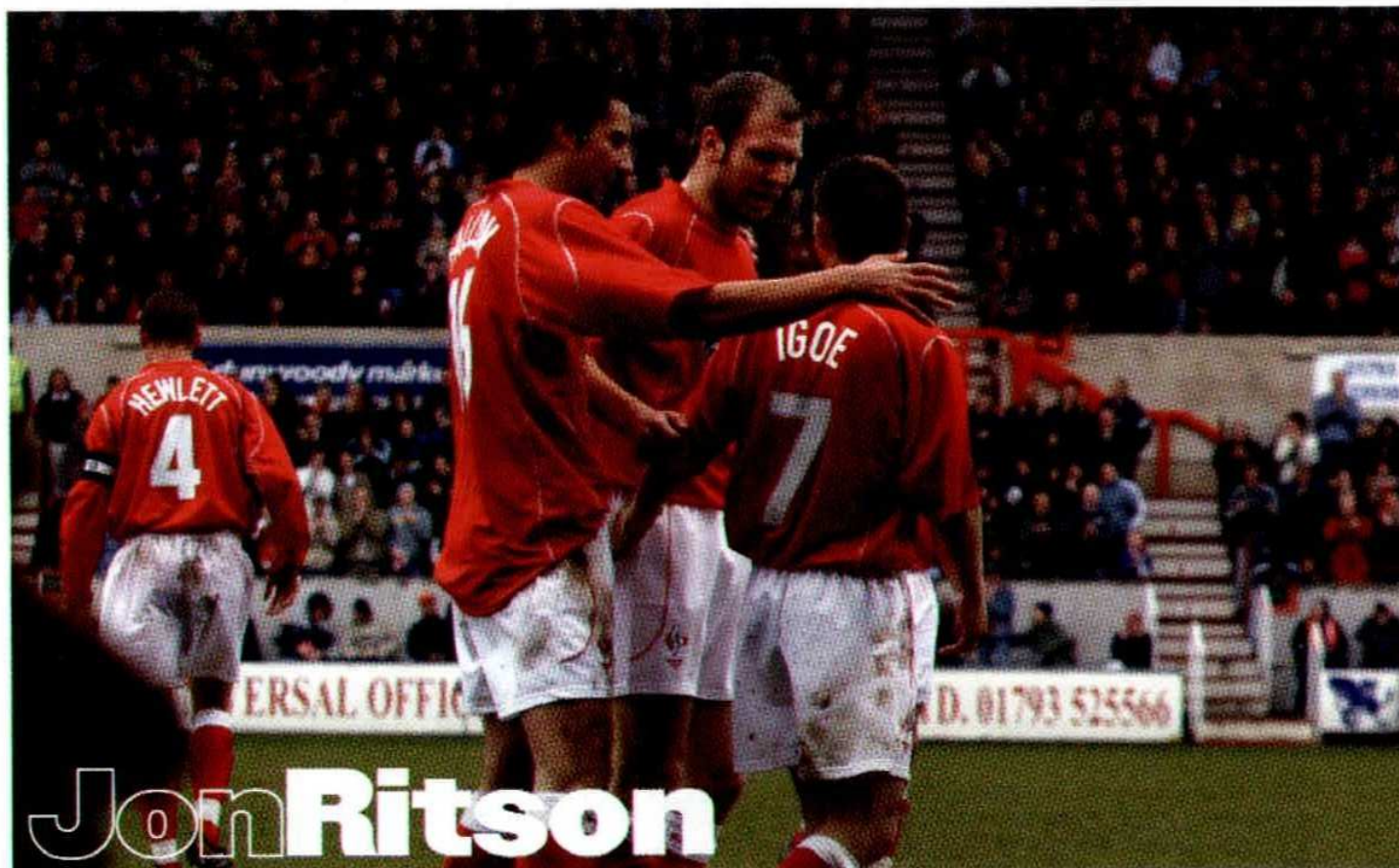
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Jon Ritson

Almost two years ago to the month, both sets of fans were singing in the rain at the County Ground as a 1-1 draw booked play-off spots for Town and Hartlepool United respectively.

Andy King's men went on to face Brighton while Pools' met Bristol City. Sadly, it proved to be the end of the promotion road for both, last-gasp goals sending the pair crashing out.

Adam Virgo ensured he would never be given the freedom of Swindon while Christian Roberts isn't a name to raise a cheer at Victoria Park.

Still, the moments after the final game of the regular season were sweet to savour, albeit brief.

It was a miserable, rainy day in early May and Sammy Igoe scored a freakish early goal. Hartlepool levelled with 20 minutes to go and then it was a simple question of playing out time.

I can't remember how much time the ref added on but I'll bet it wasn't much.

Still, that was then and today's match is no less important. Today's victorious side will be breathing a little more easily come a quarter to five. Nothing will be decided on the outcome of this clash but three points for Town should provide the lads with a huge psychological boost ahead of the trip to Swansea.

People keep talking about how many points will be needed to stay up. Fifty-two seems a popular figure. I don't think anyone knows but if Town were to win each of their remaining home games then that should pretty much do it.

Fingers crossed. How much

of a relief would it be to relax on the final day of the season (having done the double over Bristol City of course) knowing that we're safe.

Still, this is Swindon Town and you somehow sense that if we are to beat the drop then it will be achieved in true nail-biting fashion.

After today's game, it's off to the Liberty Stadium to face Swansea City. I trust that Rory Fallon will do the decent thing and refrain from scoring.

Rory was cup-tied for the Football Trophy whatever thinger me bobs match on Sunday. Swansea won of course.

Anyway, that's about it for another week. Get behind the lads and hopefully we'll be another step closer to survival.

Cheers for now,

Jon

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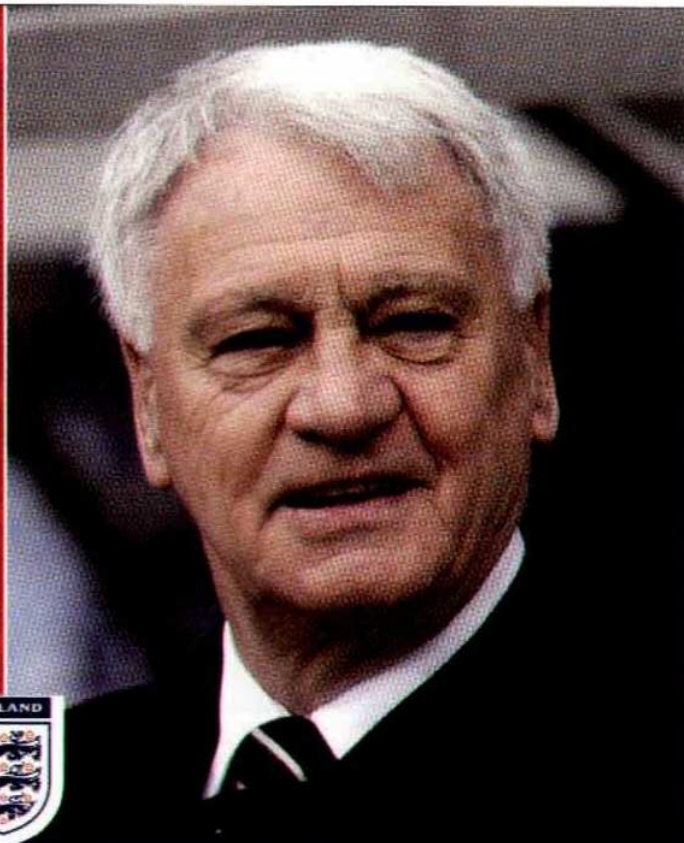
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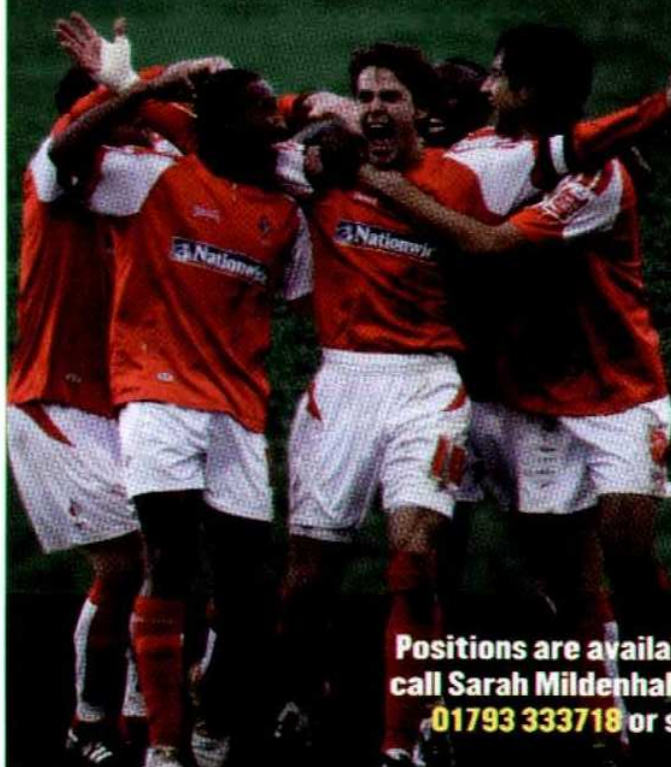
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Rhys Evans 



Position: Goalkeeper
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Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 4lbs
Previous Clubs: Leyton Orient (loan), QPR (loan), Bristol Rovers (loan), Chelsea
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Apps: 120(+1) **Goals:** 0



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Sean O'Hanlon 



Position: Defender
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Previous Clubs: Everton
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Jack Smith 



Position: Defender
Age: 22 **D.O.B:** 14/10/1983
Height: 5' 11" **Weight:** 11st 3lbs
Previous Clubs: Watford
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 33 **Goals:** 0



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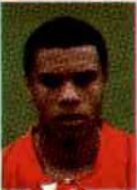
Position: Midfielder
Age: 22 **D.O.B:** 12/10/1983
Height: 5' 8" **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: Southend, Arsenal
STFC Debut: vs. Oldham, 09/08/05
Apps: 3(+3) **Goals:** 0



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Position: Defender
Age: 23 **D.O.B:** 27/06/1982
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 10lbs
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Steve Jenkins 



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: 45(+6) **Goals:** 2



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Gareth Whalley 



Position: Midfielder
Age: 32 **D.O.B:** 19/12/1973
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Previous Clubs: Wigan, Cardiff, Bradford, Crewe
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 20(+1) **Goals:** 0



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Lee Peacock 



Position: Forward
Age: 30 **D.O.B:** 09/10/1976
Height: 6' 0" **Weight:** 12st 5lbs
Previous Clubs: Sherrif Wed, Bristol City, Man City, Mansfield, Carlisle
STFC Debut: vs. Bournemouth, 21/01/06
Apps: 10(+1) **Goals:** 1



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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: 122(+12) **Goals:** 9



Mr Harry Fitchett & Mrs Brenda Peachey

Chris, Nicky, & Matthew Rowe

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
Apps: 19(+7) **Goals:** 7



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Ricky Shakes 



Position: Forward
Age: 21 **D.O.B:** 25/01/1985
Height: 5' 10" **Weight:** 12st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Bury (loan), Bristol Rovers (loan), Bolton
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 23(+11) **Goals:** 1



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Position: Goalkeeper
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 14/10/1986
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Boston, 16/11/05
Apps: (+1) **Goals:** 0



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Alan Reeves 14



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
STFC Debut: vs. Sheff Utd, 08/08/98
Apps: 216(+21) **Goals:** 14

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Andy Nicholas 15



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: 73(+14) **Goals:** 2

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Kyle Lapham 16



Position: Defender
Age: 20 **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 17



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: 11(+10) **Goals:** 2

Mr Keith Hutchens

Mr Keith Hutchens



Christian Roberts 18



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(+20) **Goals:** 8

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Michael Pook 19



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: 33(+7) **Goals:** 1

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Paul Smith 20



Position: Midfielder
Age: 34 **D.O.B:** 18/09/1971
Height: 5' 11" **Weight:** 13st 8lbs
Previous Clubs: Walsall, Gillingham, Brentford, Southend
STFC Debut: vs. Gillingham, 14/01/06
Apps: 3(+4) **Goals:** 0

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Andy Caton 22



Position: Forward
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 03/12/1987
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: Southampton, North Leigh
STFC Debut: vs. Wrexham, 07/08/04
Apps: 2(+7) **Goals:** 1

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Andy Gurney 27



Position: Defender
Age: 32 **D.O.B:** 25/01/1974
Height: 5' 7" **Weight:** 10st 8lbs
Previous Clubs: Swansea, Swindon, Reading, Torquay, Bristol Rovers
STFC Debut: vs. Peterboro', 11/08/01
Apps: 168(+4) **Goals:** 25

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David Stroud 29



Position: Midfielder
Age: n/a **D.O.B:** n/a
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: Basingstoke (loan)
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 29/10/05
Apps: 2(+1) **Goals:** 0

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Ashan Holgate 30



Position: Forward
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 11/12/1987
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 30/04/05
Apps: 2(+8) **Goals:** 0

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Aaron Brown 32



Position: Forward
Age: 25 **D.O.B:** 14/03/1980
Height: 5' 10" **Weight:** 12st 4lbs
Previous Clubs: Cheltenham (loan), Torquay (loan), QPR, Exeter (loan), Bristol City
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 26/11/05
Apps: 18(+3) **Goals:** 0

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Iffy Onuora M



Position: Manager
Born: Glasgow, 28/07/1967
Previous Clubs: Walsall
Playing Career: Huddersfield, Tranmere, Grimsby (loan), Wycombe (loan), Sheffield United, Gillingham, Swindon, Gillingham, Mansfield, Huddersfield

Drug Test

Drug Test



Ian Woan A



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

Mr Cliff Puffett

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Dick Mackey P



Position: Physio
Previous Clubs: none

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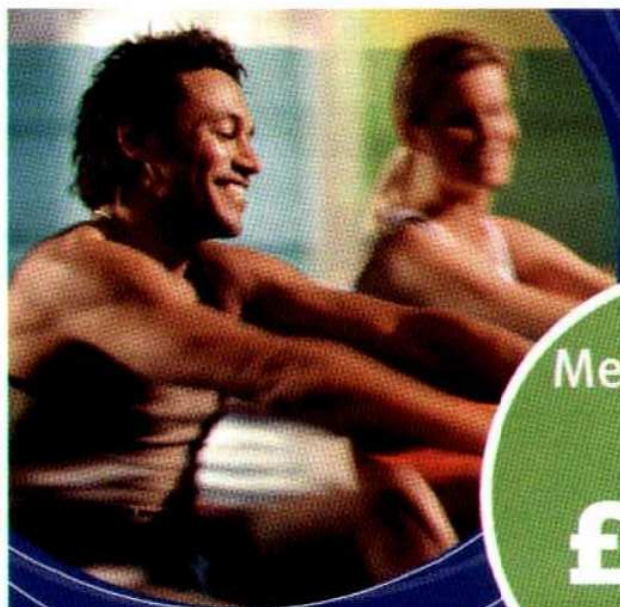


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The Final Furlong

The race for League One survival continues this afternoon with Town taking on Hartlepool United at The County Ground.

With the League One campaign looking likely to come to a tense finish, Dave Wallis takes a look at the remaining fixtures for the sides set to battle it out for League One security.

	Yeovil Town	Currently 19th
	08.04 Doncaster Rovers	H
	14.04 Scunthorpe United	H
	17.04 Nottingham Forest	A
	22.04 Gillingham	H
	29.04 Huddersfield Town	A
	06.05 Colchester United	H

Observations: No games against relegation threatened teams, but Nottingham Forest, Colchester and Huddersfield will have everything to play for.

	Hartlepool United	Currently 20th
	08.04 Swindon Town	A
	11.04 Colchester United	A
	15.04 Bristol City	H
	17.04 Milton Keynes Dons	A
	22.04 Nottingham Forest	H
	29.04 Brentford	A
	06.05 Port Vale	H

Observations: Can influence their own position in games against Swindon and MK Dons, but tough trips to Colchester and Brentford.

	Rotherham United	Currently 21st
	08.04 Tranmere Rovers	H
	15.04 Brentford	H
	17.04 Swansea City	A
	22.04 Scunthorpe United	H
	29.04 Colchester United	A
	06.05 Milton Keynes Dons	H

Observations: Brentford, Swansea and Colchester will be big tests. A last game at home to MK Dons, who can be expected to know their fate by then could be crucial to Town.

	Walsall	Currently 22nd
	08.04 Bristol City	H
	11.04 Bournemouth	H
	15.04 Port Vale	H
	17.04 Doncaster Rovers	A
	22.04 Huddersfield Town	H
	29.04 Gillingham	A
	06.05 Barnsley	H

Observations: Five matches from the last seven at home. With the exception of Huddersfield, all games are likely to take place when the opposition will have little to play for.

	Swindon Town	Currently 23rd
	08.04 Hartlepool United	H
	11.04 Swansea City	A
	15.04 Milton Keynes Dons	H
	17.04 Scunthorpe United	A
	22.04 Brentford	H
	29.04 Bristol City	A
	06.05 Huddersfield Town	H

Observations: Two must-win home games against Hartlepool and MK Dons, and stiff tests against three top-six sides. Bristol City can be expected to do us few favours and we can only hope that Huddersfield's fate will be known before kick-off on the last day of season.

	Milton Keynes Dons	Currently 24th
	08.04 Oldham Athletic	A
	15.04 Swindon Town	A
	17.04 Hartlepool United	H
	22.04 Chesterfield	A
	29.04 Tranmere Rovers	H
	06.05 Rotherham United	A

Observations: Just two home games in the last six looks a tough challenge with a trip to Chesterfield looking the most daunting. Games with Swindon, Hartlepool and Rotherham might be more influential to the fate of others than to the Dons.



Town Cruise Past Pilgrims

Swindon Town secured all three points with a convincing 4-0 win over Plymouth Argyle at The County Ground on Tuesday afternoon.

Town started the game well with a 3-5-2 formation employed against the visiting Pilgrims. It took just six minutes for Town to open the scoring and what a great goal it was. Some good work on the left from David Stroud saw his cross rebuffed by the Plymouth defence. The ball fell to Ben Wells 25-yards from goal and he hit an unstoppable shot into the top left hand corner of the net.

The Swindon pressure continued with a midfield three of Chris Taylor, Stefani Miglioranzi and Ben Wells dominating the proceedings, with David Stroud also heavily involved in the early stages with Town knocking the ball about with ease.

Stefani Miglioranzi could have doubled the lead but

he hit a shot from the angle wide before Ricky Shakes volleyed over the bar on 14 minutes. There was little in the way of attacking creativity on show from the visitors with just a handful of efforts registered, rarely troubling Matty Bulman in the Town goal.

Five minutes before the break Ricky Shakes was presented with an excellent opportunity. Tom Evans' deep cross fell to the unmarked Shakes 12 yards from goal, but his header hit the post and rebounded to safety as the Plymouth defence breathed a collective sigh of relief.

At the other end, Josh Grant's good run saw Bulman at full stretch, but the ball fell the wrong side of the post for The Pilgrims.

Swindon 4
Plymouth 0

Tue 4th April

Line-Up: Bulman, Evans T, Pryde, Doe, Stroud, Shakes, Wells, Miglioranzi, Taylor, Jutkiewicz, Roberts
Subs: Stewart, Garricks

After the interval Town continued their goalscoring form and almost immediately made it 2-0. Ricky Shakes' pinpoint from the right found Christian Roberts unmarked inside the area and his header found the net. The former Cardiff and Bristol City striker then hit the post with a thumping drive.

Lukas Jutkiewicz then ensured his name was on the scoresheet with two second half goals. The first came on the hour with Jutkiewicz stooping at the back post to meet a Stroud cross to send the ball into the empty net.

Town's fourth goal of the game, and Jutkiewicz's second, was another well-taken effort. An incisive ball through from midfield was collected by Jutkiewicz on the edge of the area and after fending off two challenges, he hit a left foot shot into the far corner past the Pilgrims keeper to make it 4-0.





Centre of Excellence

Good afternoon and what a wonderful week's weather we have had here in Wiltshire.

On Sunday 26th March we saw the Under 9's, 10's, 14's and 15's play Bristol Rovers at the training ground. The Under 9's drew 3-3 with three players from the Under 8's age group playing up a year and gaining valuable experience for this season, when they will be Under 9's. There were good performances from Will Randall and Lewis Brown. The Under 10's lost 5-1 whilst the Under 14's drew with a good team performance. The Under 15's put a few goals past Bristol Rovers in a 5-1 win. Jamie Taylor and Chris Fowler both caused damage with a brace each.

The Under 11's, Under 12's and Under 13's made the trip along the M4 to Bristol. The Under 11's lost 1-0 in a physical battle, but there were encouraging displays from Aaron Oakley and Rory Johnstone. The Under 12's lost 6-1 whilst the Under 13's ran out 3-1 winners, no doubt pleasing coach Ian Howell.

On Sunday 2nd April we played against Portsmouth with the Under 9's, 10's, 13's and 14's at home. The Under 11's, 12's and 15's made the trip down to the South Coast. The Under 9's lost 3-1, the Under 10's lost 2-0 and the Under 13's lost out by the odd goal in five. The Under 14's, with just the bare eleven players to field, ground out a 3-3 draw. The Under 11's lost 4-0, but if it wasn't for Craig Hill's excellent goalkeeping display the score could have been higher. The Under 12's lost out 4-1 whilst the Under 15's recorded a 2-0 win. Coach Ian Palmer spoke of his delight at the team's collective performance after the game. This weekend's games programme is against Plymouth Argyle.

Finally, I would like to welcome four youngsters who I coach on a Saturday morning at Croft. A big hello to Sam, Nathan, Elliot and James and enjoy the game.

Jeremy Newton

Reserve Fixtures 05/06

Aug 16	CHELTENHAM	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 (WS1)	H	1-0
Nov 29	SWANSEA	H	8-0
Jan 10	Bournemouth	A	1-1
Jan 24	YEOVIL	H	2-2
Feb 21	BRISTOL ROV	H	0-5
Feb 28	Salisbury (WS2)	A	1-4
Mar 21	Swansea	A	2-2
Apr 4	PLYMOUTH	H	4-0
Apr 11	Plymouth	A	7pm
Apr 19	Cardiff	A	2pm
Apr 25	CARDIFF	H	2pm
Apr 29	BRISTOL CITY	N	11am
TBC	Cheltenham	A	



Ian Woan

Pontins Combination Table 31.03.06

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chelt'ham	12	9	2	1	24	13	28
Cardiff	11	8	3	0	24	8	27
Swindon	10	5	3	2	29	18	18
Bristol C	13	4	4	5	21	19	16
Plymouth	11	3	5	3	18	18	14
Bristol R	13	3	3	7	23	21	12
Yeovil	11	2	3	6	20	20	9
B'mouth	12	2	2	8	14	34	8
Swansea	9	2	1	6	14	36	7

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 23	Southend (YAC)	A	2-3
Nov 26	Yeovil Town	A	3-2
Dec 10	Cheltenham	A	2-0
Dec 17	HEREFORD	H	5-0
Jan 7	OXFORD UTD	H	3-0
Jan 21	Plymouth	A	1-1
Feb 11	Exeter City	A	1-0
Feb 18	CHELTENHAM	H	0-1
Feb 25	Hereford	A	3-1
Mar 11	CIRENCESTER	H	2-3
Mar 18	YEOVIL TOWN	H	1-3
Mar 25	Newport	A	0-1
Apr 1	BOURNEMOUTH	H	3-2
Apr 8	Bristol Rovers	A	11am
Apr 15	SWANSEA	H	11am
TBC	PLYMOUTH	H	

South West Conference Table 03.04.06

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Yeovil	18	13	1	4	52	24	40
Bristol R	20	12	3	5	48	29	39
Swindon	19	12	3	4	40	22	39
Plymouth	18	12	2	4	51	21	38
Chelt'ham	20	10	4	6	44	29	34
Exeter	19	10	0	9	44	42	30
B'mouth	20	9	0	11	52	43	27
Newport	18	7	4	7	35	26	25
Oxford	19	7	4	8	33	30	25
Ciren	20	5	3	12	24	74	18
Swansea	19	2	7	10	43	47	13
Hereford	20	0	1	19	13	92	1

Jutkiewicz nets hat-trick

Last weekend the Under 18's ran out 3-2 winners over AFC Bournemouth at the training ground, with a hat-trick from Lukas Jutkiewicz. Under 18's Manager Ian Woan looks back on the game.

"The lads managed to work themselves into a 1-0 lead through Lukas Jutkiewicz. Chris Allen crossed in from the right and Lukas managed to get himself in between two defenders to guide the ball home from a few yards out.

"After that some poor defending let AFC Bournemouth find the scoresheet twice, which meant we were left with work to do. The equaliser came about after good work in midfield from Bradley Cann, with a decent ball put through to Lukas Jutkiewicz who shrugged off the challenge and hit the ball first time into the bottom corner of the net.

"Having got back level, the lads secured all three points through a Lukas Jutkiewicz penalty to complete his hat-trick.

"Overall it was pleasing to register the three points and get back to winning ways. It was our first win in four games and we showed good character to turn things around."



Looking Forward

YOUNG STRIKER CHRIS MCPHEE IS RELISHING HIS NEW CHALLENGE HERE AT THE COUNTY GROUND, AND WITH A VISIT TO FACE HIS FORMER ROOM MATE COMING UP NEXT WEEK, IT'S AN EXCITING FEW WEEKS AHEAD FOR THE EASTBOURNE-BORN STRIKER...

There is certainly still plenty to play for here at Swindon. As a loan player you must be glad to be at a club with a challenge there to meet?

Exactly. Had I joined a club that was in mid-table, I think things could have gone a little flat. That's most definitely not the case here as the boys are really rallying around and in turn that will mean more chances on the pitch, whoever they fall to, which is important as a striker.

Which players did you know before you came to the club?

I knew Trevor from his short spell at Brighton. He has introduced me to the rest of the lads so that's been a good link. I am also staying with Trevor at the club's house during my time here.

Tell us about the strengths of your game and what can the fans expect?

"I don't think that there is any fear as a young player. Perhaps if there is a star name in the opposition side then you may look out for them, but in general as a young player you just want to get out there and play the game..."

I like to use my pace to get in behind defenders and am quite physical so can mix it up. I can also play wide so I would say my adaptability is my strength.

How many Manager's have you played under so far and who has been the biggest influence?

I have played under around six Managers. My youth team boss, Dean Wilkins, at Brighton has probably been the biggest influence on my career so far. I came up through the ranks there and learnt a lot from him. He still takes me for a few sessions at training so it's good to link up again.

Iffy knows the game inside out so I'm sure I will learn a few things off him. Mark McGhee, the Gaffer at Brighton, is also a former striker so I'm quite lucky that both of them are former strikers!

You made your first team debut for Brighton at just 16-years old. What do you remember of that time?

It came as a bit of a shock really. There were a few injury problems at the time and came out of the blue. It was a great experience to be involved and I got the call. I made a few appearances after that and remember it well.

Does the 'fear factor' get easier or worse going into games with age?

I don't think that there is any fear as a young player. Perhaps if there is a star name in the opposition side then you may look out for them, but in general as a young player

you just want to get out there and play the game, you don't think about anything else really.

The only way things have changed is in terms of preparation. Now I have learnt a lot more about the I give myself a lot more rest before games and there is more attention paid to things like diet and hydration now even from when I started out.

How much pressure do you feel there is on you during your time with Swindon?

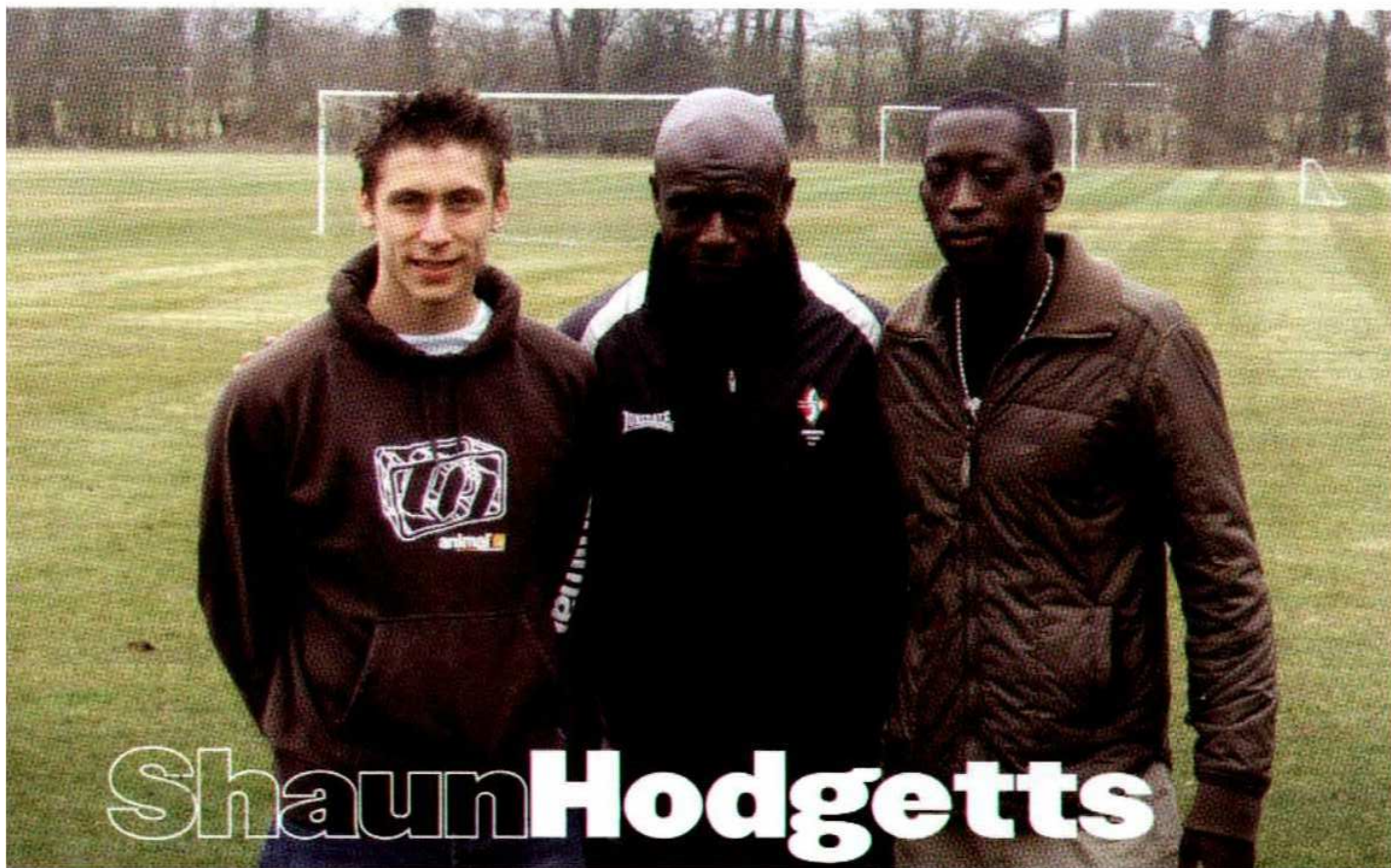
None at all really. The Manager has said that there are options up front with the likes of Jamie Cureton, Lee Peacock, Trevor Benjamin and Christian Roberts. The thing will be to find the right combination that can get us out of the situation we are in.

You made your first team debut at The Vetch Field for Brighton. We travel to Swansea City next week at their new Liberty Stadium, so a first visit for everyone...

I remember my debut well and the crowd were a little hostile down there so it will be interesting to see what the atmosphere is like next Tuesday.

...and a reunion with Leon Knight?

I used to room with Leon when he was at Brighton so it will be good to catch up with him at some stage during the evening. It's an important game for both sides so hopefully I can see him after that game with three points safely in the bag.



Shaun Hodgetts

Seven games to go, and still no definite answer to the question "which League next season?"

Will it be mainly the same opponents with the likely addition of Crewe, Brighton & Millwall and possibly Northampton, Leyton Orient & Wycombe (Calderwood, Ling & Gorman in charge respectively) among others, or is it Accrington Stanley Here We Come - I'm sure we'd rather wait a little while longer to line-up against that famous footballing name!

Results around our blank weekend have helped as well as the 2-0 victory over visitors Chesterfield last time out. Instead of Rocastle & Claridge, it was Diagouraga and McPhee who bolstered the midfield and strikeforce just before the transfer deadline. Watford's Frenchman, maybe another Dave Hockaday acquisition at Vicarage Road, clearly impressed and is expected to start today. His fellow

substitute, from Brighton, played for the Seagulls in our 2003/4 play-off season, being replaced in the first-team there by Trevor Benjamin - it's a small world!

Among others warming the bench a fortnight ago, Lukas Jutkiewicz who's just turned 17. It's only a question of "when" he's involved rather than "if" according to Iffy Onuora. Supporters are already talking about the future promise of Andy Caton being picked alongside him up front - pace & power and youthful enthusiasm in abundance!

Right now, it's the goals of the experienced Jamie Cureton which are helping us to still believe in a potential great escape. He must surely have most of the serious contenders for "Goal of the Season". Don't forget

the inaugural Awards Night at the Wyvern Theatre on Sunday 30th April, where the Player of the Year, Players' Player, Young Player and Supporter of the Year will also be recognised. Let's hope we have something else to celebrate by then, more than just three points at Bristol City's Ashton Gate the day before!

And so back to Hartlepool, regularly up for re-election in my formative years - now, of course, there's an automatic switch with the Nationwide Conference. Both teams got the result they needed here two years ago, on a dramatic final day. The stakes are high again this afternoon, with a home win allowing the Town to leapfrog these relegation rivals. If Swindon reach the dizzy heights of 20th or above, is it stick or twist? On paper, a 100 percent run-in at The County Ground should still be enough...but the beautiful game is played on grass not paper!

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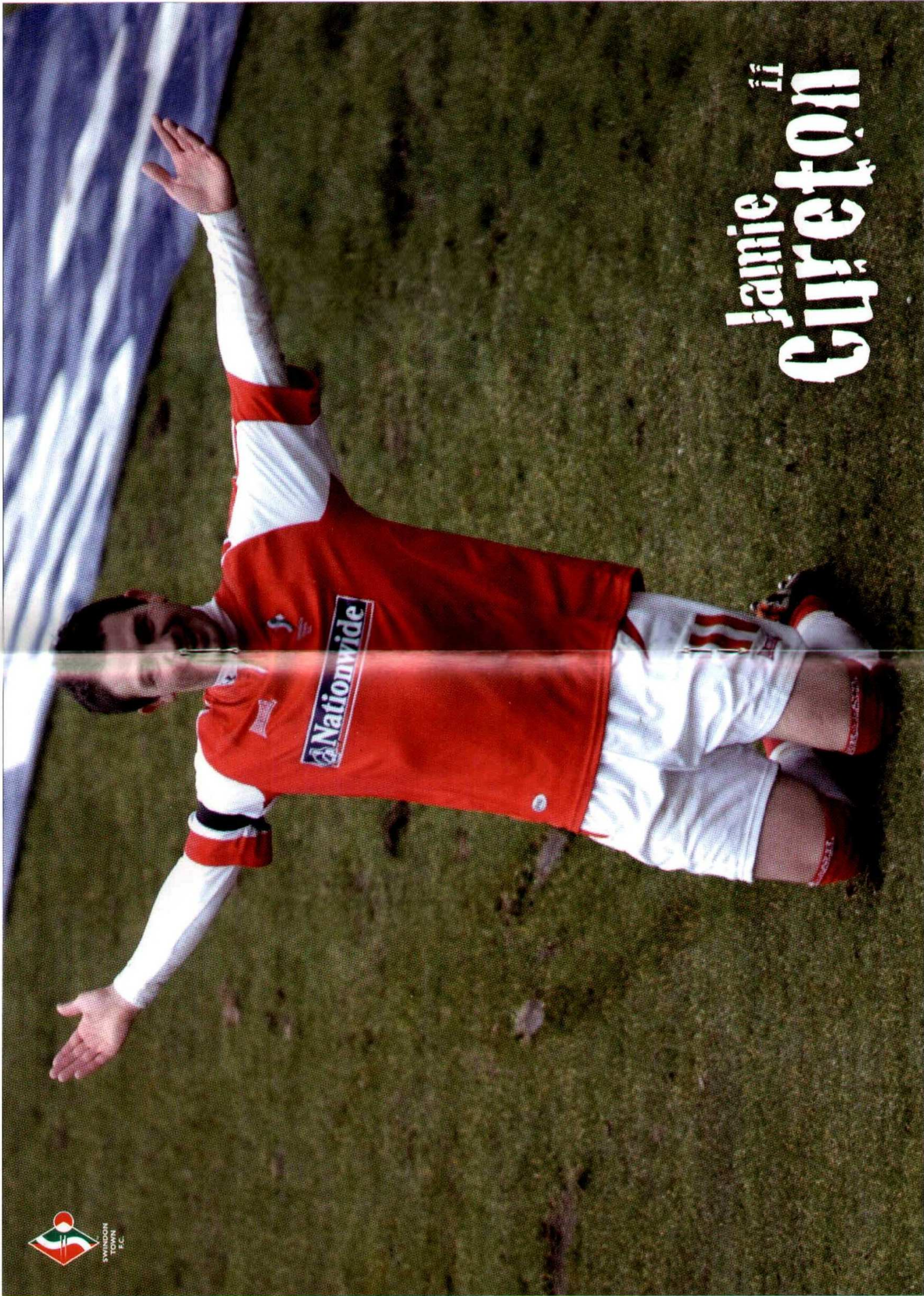
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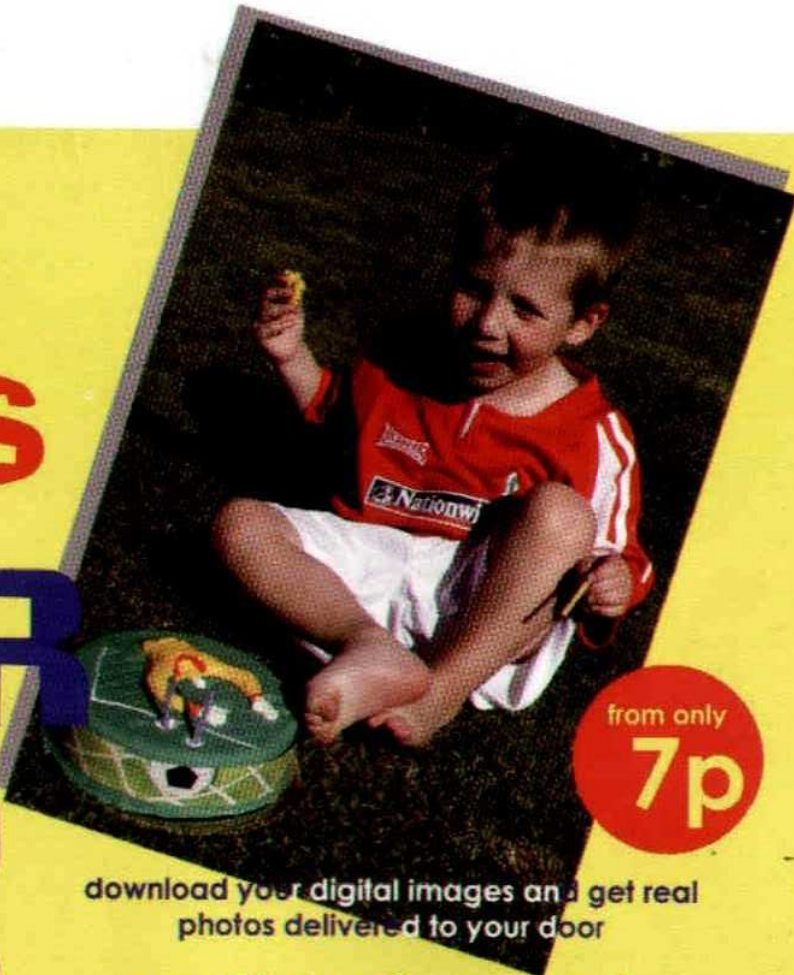


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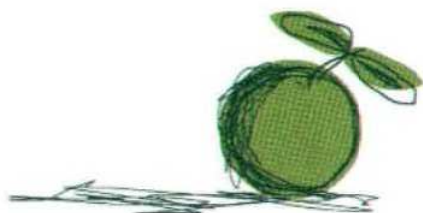


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Town Ladies

with Roger Reeves MBE



The Town Ladies have suffered two straight defeats, one home and one away, in the South West Combination League.

The Town entertained Newton Abbot and, like the game in Devon a few weeks ago, it was a close encounter. The Abbot scored the only goal of the game midway through the second half to reap revenge on the Town who had won the previous meeting also by the odd goal. The Town then travelled to Buckinghamshire to face top of the table Chesham United. Despite a spirited performance the Town lost by two goals to nil.

The Town defended well with Sam Quinn outstanding in the centre back role and Michelle Brown working hard in midfield.

The Town Reserves played away

Table 2005/06

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chesham	17	13	3	1	80	24	42
Keynsham	14	12	2	0	71	16	38
Newquay	15	9	3	3	50	19	30
QPR	13	9	2	2	33	14	29
Swindon	17	5	6	6	30	42	21
Plymouth	16	5	5	6	42	45	20
Clevedon	14	4	4	6	20	34	16
Forest Green	13	4	3	6	32	29	15
N. Abbot	15	4	3	8	35	36	15
Luton	14	3	3	8	28	39	12
Oxford City	17	3	1	13	28	75	10
Launton	13	0	1	12	6	82	1

to Chippenham Town in the South West regional League and in a thrilling game and lost out by the odd goal.

The Under Fourteen "Reds" lost to Swindon Badgers by five goals to nil in the Wiltshire County League and to complete a bad day the "Blues" also lost, by four goals to nil.

The Under Twelve "Reds" played Derry Hill in the semi-final of the Wiltshire League Cup and secured a place in the final with an eight goals to one victory. Hazel Matthews, Sophie Barrett and Libby Gale all scored two and there were goals for Abby Picton and Karen Gillingham.

The Under Tens clinched runners up spot in the Wiltshire County League to Cricklade by beating Swindon Spitfires away by three goals to one. Charlotte Diss, Hayley Shipp, Janae Francis all found the net.

Tomorrow the Town travel to Oxfordshire to face bottom club Launton in their last but one South West Combination League game. When the two sides met in the home fixture the Town won by four goals to nil with Laura Morgan scoring twice and goals from Claire Moreton and Michelle Rich. The Town Reserves also play away and face University of Bristol in the South West Regional League.

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 13	Frome Town (FAC2)	A	1-6
Dec 11	LUTON TOWN	H	3-3
Dec 19	LUTON TOWN (LC1)	H	1-0
Jan 8	Plymouth	A	3-3
Jan 15	OXFORD CITY	H	3-1
Jan 22	CHESHAM	H	2-2
Jan 29	Clevedon	A	0-0
Feb 5	NEWQUAY	H	0-4
Feb 19	LAUNTON	H	4-0
Feb 26	CLEVEDON	H	0-0
Mar 5	Newton Abbot	A	3-2
Mar 12	KEYNSHAM	H	0-7
Mar 19	NEWTON ABBOT	H	0-1
Mar 26	Chesham	A	0-2
Apr 2	QPR	A	2pm
Apr 9	Launton	A	2pm
Apr 19	Keynsham	A	2pm

A bit about...

Nikki Coe



Thirteen year old Nikki first started to kick a ball about with her older sister Lisa in the back garden. She attended Eldene Junior School where her keenness grew and she played in the school team. When she moved to Dorcan Secondary School she continued to play and became a member of the girl's school team playing in the Youth Games.

When she was ten she followed her sister and joined the Town. She plays in midfield and is currently a member of the Under Fourteen side.

Lucky Seven

MIDFIELDER GARETH WHALLEY SPEAKS
TO STFC MAGAZINE ABOUT BEATING
THE DROP AND FACING THE POOLS...

Words: Nick Judd
Photography: Chris Adams

Battling against relegation can test the sternest of nerves. Handy then, that Town have in their ranks players with experience. Paul Smith is on his way back and while 'Gurns' is suspended today, young players such as Jerel Ifil can draw on the experiences of players such as Jamie Cureton, Steve Jenkins and Gareth Whalley.

Whalley has experienced the highs and lows of the game, tasting relegation twice but forming part of three promotion campaigns in what has been an eventful career. His cultured left foot has featured in most divisions - and the things he's learned along the way won't be lost as Town attempt their own Great Escape. And while this season has been a frustrating time for the former Latic, the 32-year old has no intention of adding another demotion to the list of life achievements.

On the contrary, staying up this year is merely a pre-requisite to more success next season. Here's hoping for a lucky seven...



You must be feeling refreshed after your weekend off last Saturday...

Looking back it would have been good to have been able to carry on with another game, but it was nice to have a few days off ahead of what will be a busy run-in to the season.

Rhys Evans was in his garden during his weekend off, what did you get up to?

I had a weekend away with the wife. We went to Henley-on-Thames and met up with some friends, which was a nice way to spend the time.

The lads must be chomping at the bit today having had a break?

It's important to get off to a good start, from the first whistle. Having had a win

notice of the other results to be honest. I would rather concentrate on our own form and make sure that we do what we have to do. If we win as many games as we can then we should be ok.

How pleased are you to be starting now, this will be your fourth start in a row...

Delighted. It's been a strange season for me. I was playing initially, then out of the side for four months or so, and I'm back now and can hopefully add my bit.

It's been a frustrating season for you so far with the niggling injuries – but do you feel now that you're at the top of your game?

I feel like I have done ok since I have been back in the side and to be fair the lads around

to keep possession and put your foot on the ball?

It's important at any level to be able to keep the ball. You look at the best teams across the land they all keep the ball well and score goals. 'Curo' is in a rich vein of form at the moment and you would hope that a few more of us can start finding the net to help him.

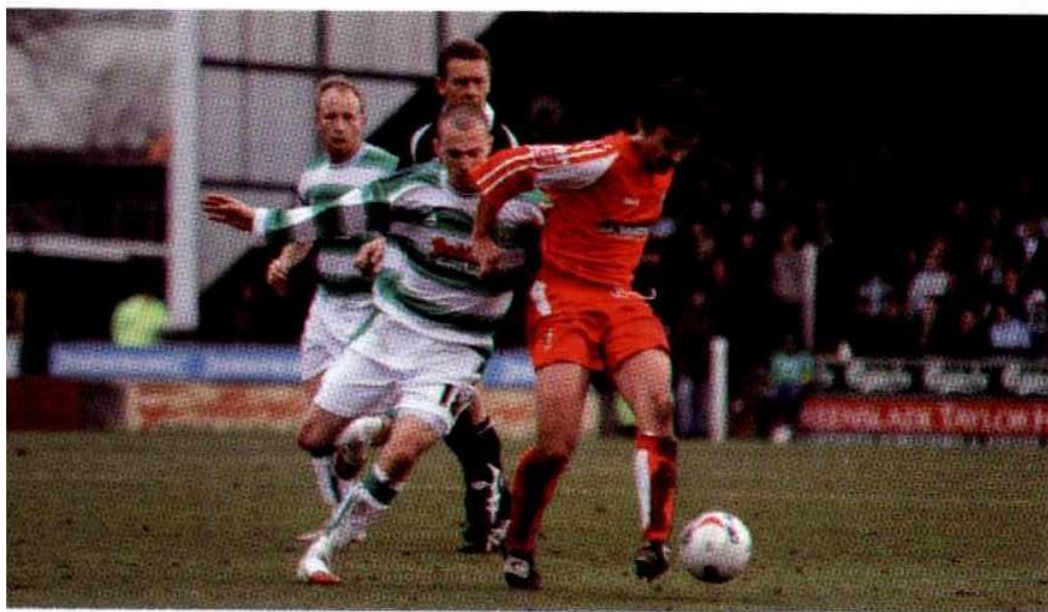
You do have experience of playing in this situation as well don't you – you had two relegation scraps with Bradford and another with Crewe, going down twice – how keen are you to avoid relegation again this time around?

I have been involved in a few scraps, but there is the combined experience of the older lads which can hopefully carry us through. It's important that we stay in League One which will give us a decent platform from which to build next season.

What do you feel is required to finish the job and stay up having won and lost previous relegation battles?

I don't think there is any one thing that you can put your finger on. Belief is a big thing and we are confident enough at the moment after our last few results. There is a lot of football still to be played and on our day we can beat anyone in the division. Hopefully we can reproduce the good form and put a run together.

You've had some good times, too – promotion with Cardiff, Crewe and Bradford, playing one season in the top flight with Bradford – what have been the highlights of your career?



against Chesterfield we will be looking to continue the run and put another three points on the board.

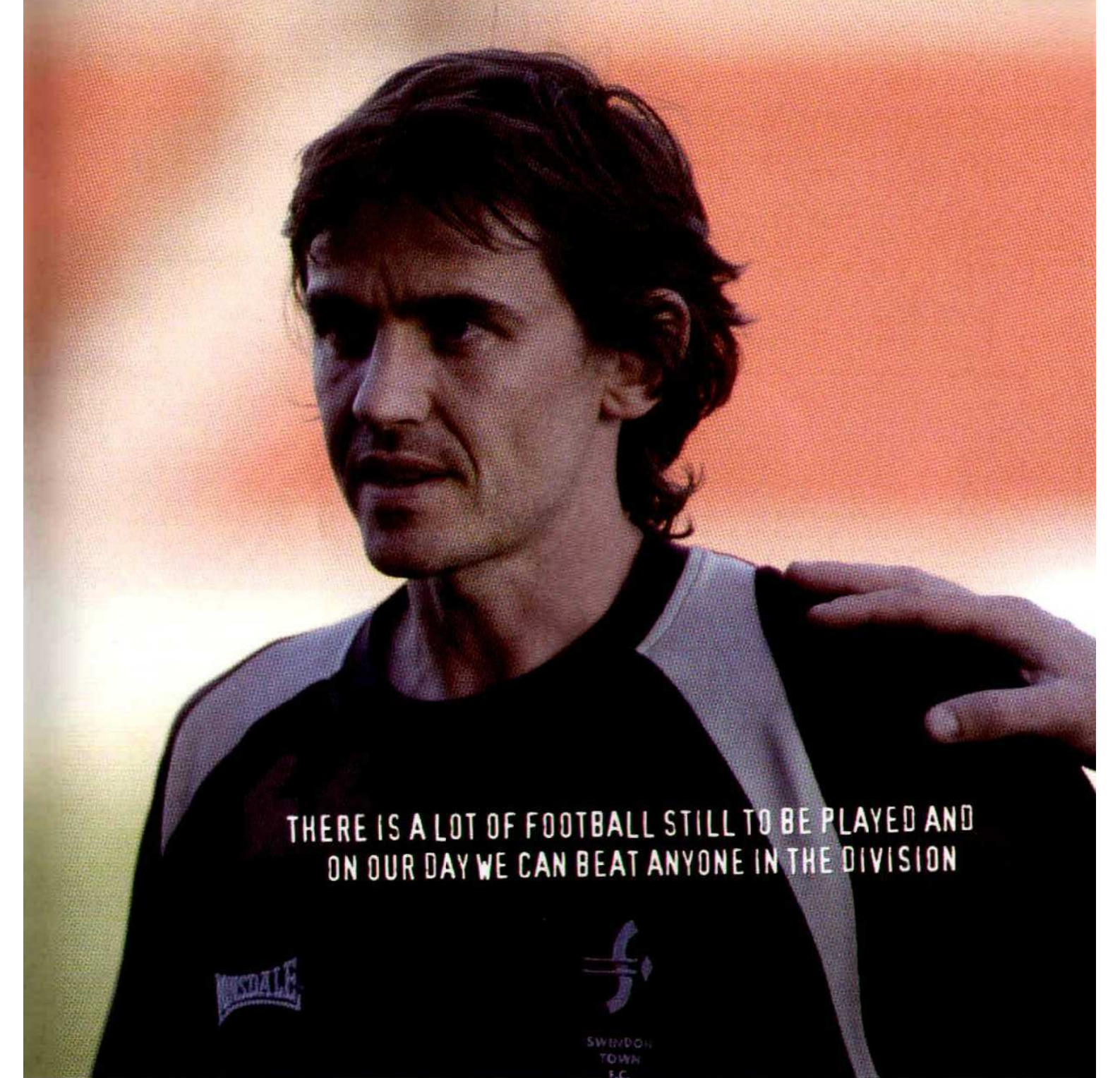
Was it a relief to see results go our way last weekend? It must have been a big lift coming into training on Monday morning...

I don't take too much

me have done well, which has made things easier for me.

There has been a bit more experience in the side in recent weeks with 'Gurns' and 'Jenks' also back in the side and that has helped things.

Your best attribute appears to be your passing – how important at this level is it



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I would say the promotion with Bradford City and staying in the Premiership.

You played in a testimonial for one of your old teammates, Andy Legg – how was that?

It was an enjoyable occasion and nice to see a few old boys from Cardiff. Steve Jenkins and Christian Roberts also came along so it was nice to be able to help out.

You've also dabbled in

the international world haven't you, Republic of Ireland's B team?

Unfortunately I never made it onto the pitch for a full international and didn't get a full cap. I was in the squad four or five times, but even that was a good experience.

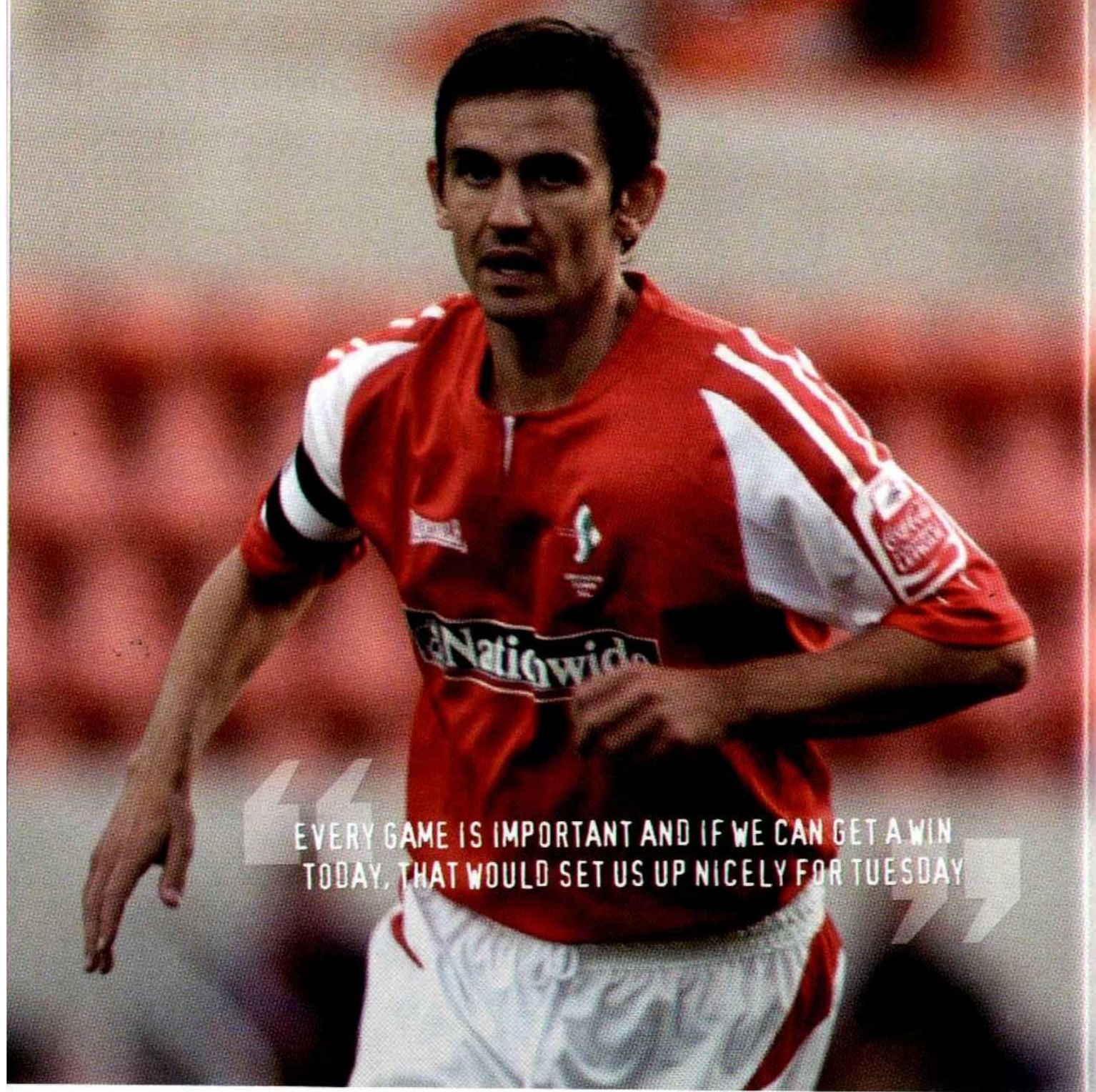
And tell us about the other trials you've had, Liverpool was it?

I did yes. I was at Crewe at the time and went along to

Liverpool for a three or four days and trained. The so-called 'Spice Boys' were there at the time such as Jamie Redknapp and Steve McManaman. John Barnes was at the end of his career and Michael Owen was just emerging so it was exciting times.

You were also part of Wigan's promotion campaign last year – what was that like?

I only started 7 league games, so didn't play as



“EVERY GAME IS IMPORTANT AND IF WE CAN GET A WIN TODAY, THAT WOULD SET US UP NICELY FOR TUESDAY”

many games as I would have liked to and didn't play in the end of season run in so didn't feel as much as part of the celebrations as I could have done.

Paul Jewell obviously likes you as a player having taken you on at Bradford and Wigan – what is it about him as a manager that makes him so successful?

His enthusiasm always shines

through and he gets his teams really wound up before they go out and play the games. His ethic is hard work and his teams are well organised.

Are you surprised by Wigan's success this season?

People are surprised at how well they have done, including myself, but I have spoken to a few of the lads at Wigan and they said they have not found it as difficult as they thought it

would have been.

How have you found Iffy Onuora as a manager?

Although we are still in and around the bottom of the table, he has done a good job and things have definitely improved. We have a great chance to get out of the relegation zone.

Back to our own campaign and a home game before Tuesday's

game at Swansea: six points required?

Every game is important and if we can get a win today, that would set us up nicely for Tuesday. There is nothing to fear for us.

Hartlepool are down there scrapping with us – what do we know about them?

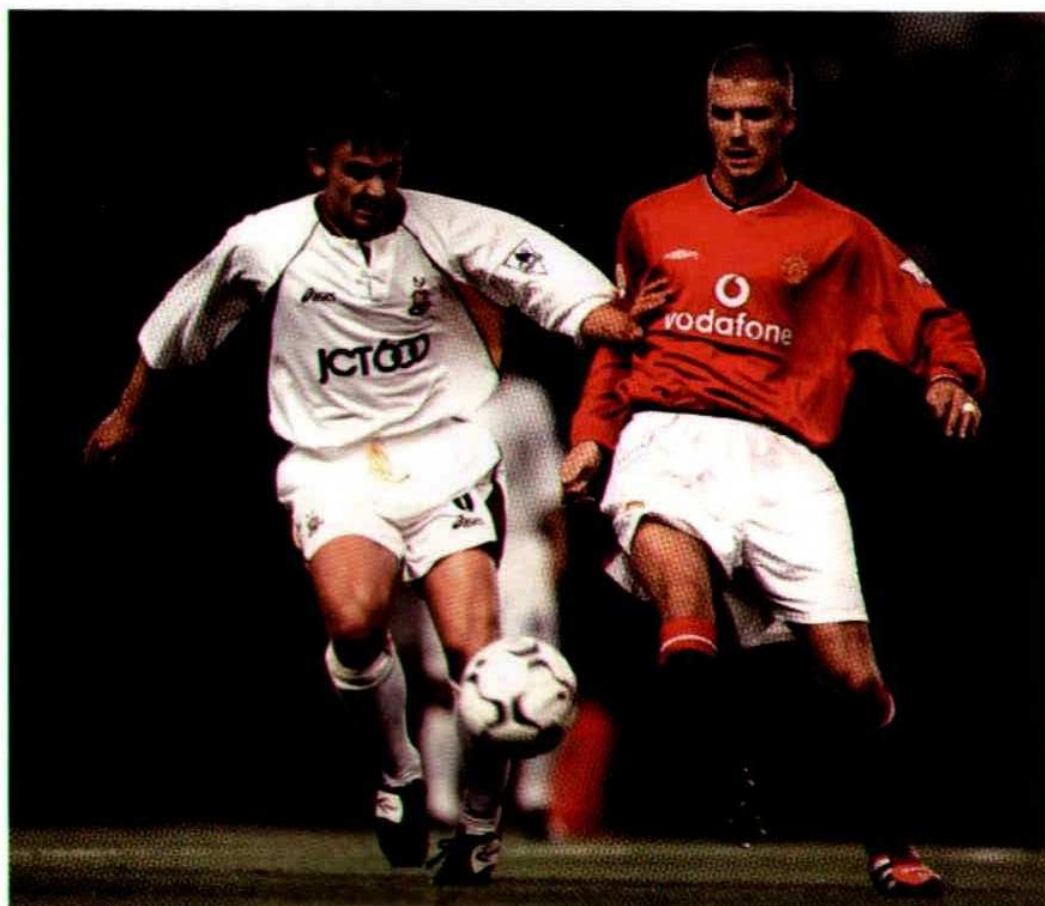
I know Lee Bullock who I played with at Cardiff City and could even be marking him if I play, so that would be an interesting one.

We have an excellent home record against them and Hartlepool haven't won in their last nine away games, do things like that come into account – or does form go out of the window in scraps such as this?

It does. I don't look at the stats in great detail but it's just another game for us and we have to treat every team with respect, but do our utmost to come out with the right result.

How important is it that four of our reaming games are at home – does that give us an advantage, do you think?

You would like to think so. Our home form is better



than our away form and you have to look at that as a positive. The County Ground is a good place to play and with the fans' support there is no reason why we can't finish the season strongly with solid home form.

Do you find now, as you're a bit older, that you have to prepare a bit better, be a bit more careful about preparation and things?

To be honest things don't change really. As you know players have their own routines and they stay the same. You eat the same foods and do the same things, which I think stick with you throughout your career. Whether you are playing in the youth team or first team, young or old, I think you like to prepare the same way.

Can you tell us what life is like in the Town dressing room before a game?

"The County Ground is a good place to play and with the fans' support there is no reason why we can't finish the season strongly..."

It's good. We had an interesting build-up the other week before the Chesterfield game. The coaching staff showed us a clip of the film 'Any Given Sunday' with a motivational speech from Al Pacino, which got everyone going.

What is the M4 car club like – Christian, yourself, 'Jenks' and 'Gurns'?

It hasn't been too bad although a lot of moaning goes on – mainly from Jenks! He is the biggest music fan, though. Although we get subjected to Christian's rap music sometimes and we're not really into that.

As a Manchester United fan, can they catch Chelsea?

Of course they can!

Finally, a prediction for today please?

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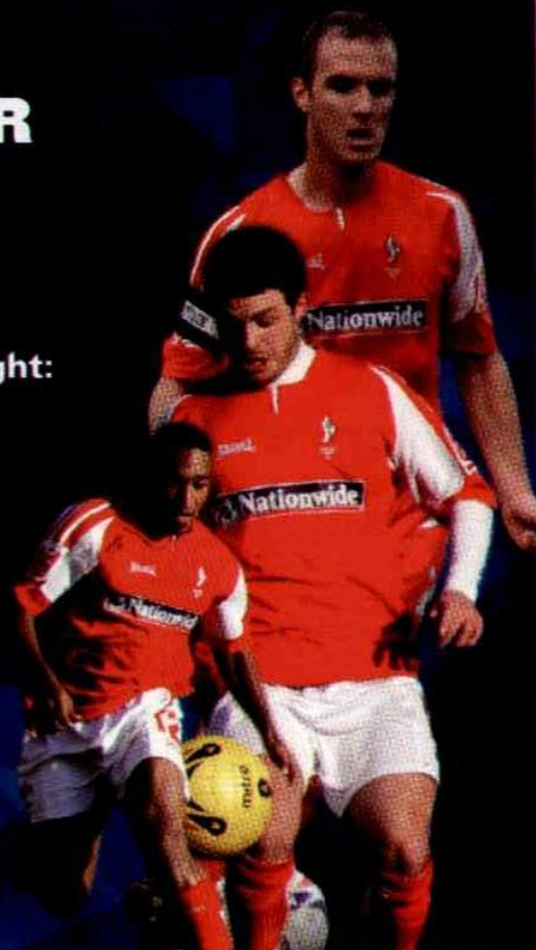
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Soccer Centres



Swindon Town's Mini Soccer Awards took place last Tuesday evening at The County Ground, with Youth Team Manager Ian Woan making the presentations.

Sixteen Soccer Centre members from the Tuesday Mini Soccer Group were in attendance and were treated to a tour of the changing rooms, boot room and physio room before living a dream by running out of the famous tunnel.

The group was then split into two teams with a small-sided game taking place on the hallowed County Ground turf, with the match finishing 1-1 after a frantic 10 minute fixture.

Following the game, the children lined up before making the walk 'FA Cup' style up the Arkells Stand stairs to the Executive Box where they were presented with their awards by Ian Woan, himself an FA Cup Finalist.

The awards were handed to the

children in recognition of all their hard work and concentration since the course began in early February.

Soccer Centres Co-Ordinator Shane Hewlett gave his views on the successful evening and the development of the children.

"All the children look forward to receiving their medals and this was made extra special by their visit to The County Ground.

"Mini Soccer is a progression of our successful Tiny Tots programme and this then leads them into our mainstream Soccer Centres with the added advantage of two years footballing experience behind them.

"We currently have 100 children aged 3 – 4 years old playing football every week, with a hope of producing the next Swindon Town players of the future, although the emphasis is on enjoyment and putting smiles on faces," finished 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
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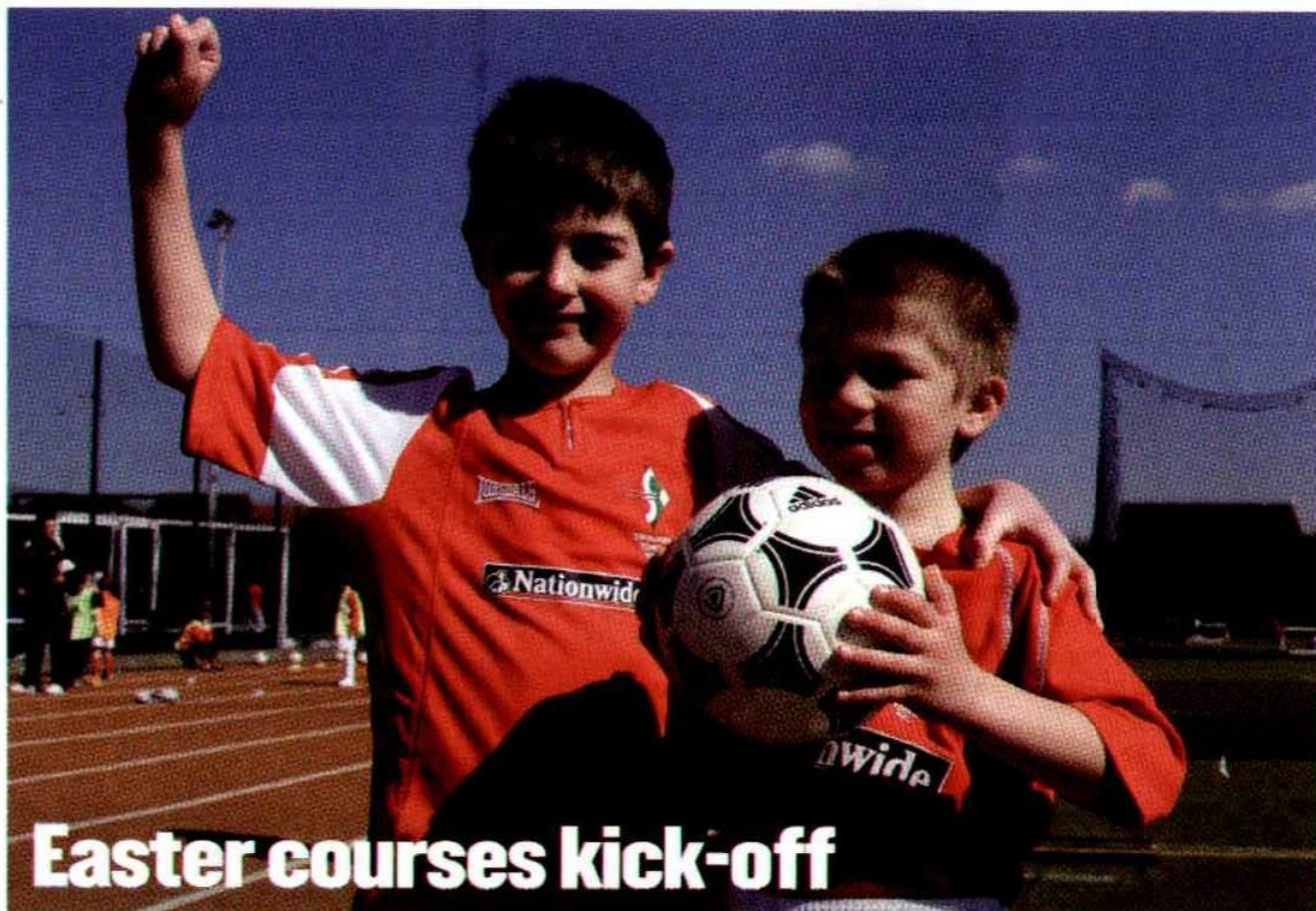
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Easter courses kick-off

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's game with Hartlepool United at The County Ground.

We would like to say a big hello to our Saturday Team Club visitors today who are Mike Matthews with his Frome Collegians AFC Under 14's. We also welcome Barry Necchi-Ghiri who has brought his group from Stanford Youth Under 9's and Under 10's. We hope that you have all enjoyed your morning of coaching and lunch, and we hope that you can

raise your voices and cheer the team on to three valuable three points. We would also like to wish Ryan Matthews, here today with Frome Collegians, a very Happy Birthday for tomorrow when he will be 14-years old.

We are right in the middle of our Easter break and this week we have coached 200 children, with the same number due in next week. Courses are also currently running in Bradford upon Avon and Chippenham, the end of next week will see us coach over 500 children.

Naturally, we are delighted with these numbers and we would like to express our sincere thanks to all our coaches and their assistants who have worked very hard in ensuring that the children have had a great time. This is the first time that we have worked over at Swindon Borough Council's Dorcan leisure centre and it has proved to be a terrific venue, accessing the modern astroturf surface.

Enjoy the game,

Clive and Jon.



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Last Friday we were delighted to present out Adult Ability Counts Group with their end of term medals, following their coaching session at Croft Sports Centre.

The sessions have been run by our Junior Community Officers Andy McKinlay and James Blake. The coaches have done a tremendous job and the improvement in the players was very evident in the game last Friday. The medals were awarded to the players for their great efforts over recent months.

Saturday Team Club

This week we are delighted to welcome Frome Collegians AFC Under 14's, and Stanford Youth Under 9's and Under 10's. We hope you have an enjoyable day!



Frome Collegians AFC Under 14's



Stanford Youth Under 9's



We were delighted to welcome K.Klasse Cars to The County Ground for a promotional photograph last week.

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Stanford Youth Under 10's

In The News

Derby winning horse Shergar is kidnapped from its stables in Ireland. A £2million ransom is demanded.



The Conservative party gain a landslide victory in the General Election, with Margaret Thatcher winning her second term in office as Prime Minister.

Anti-nuclear demonstrators march in cities across Europe in the biggest protests seen for 20 years.



£25million worth of gold bullion is stolen from the Brinks Mat vault at Heathrow airport in Britain's largest ever robbery.

38 prisoners escape from the high-security Maze jail in Northern Ireland. Only 19 are caught.

US President Ronald Reagan announces plans to develop technology that will intercept enemy missiles from space. The media dub this plan "Star Wars."



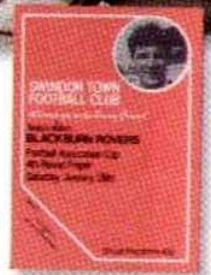
Korean Air Flight 007 is shot down by a Soviet fighter jet after the commercial aircraft had entered Soviet airspace without permission.



Compact discs begin to sell on the High Street, with most record collectors dismissing them as a passing fad.



Lowest ever League position for Town



Things don't look too bright for Town at the moment, but things could be worse! At the end of season 1983/84 we finished 17th in Division Four, our lowest ever League position.

If that seems bad enough, today's visitors had even more to worry about. Only Chester City kept 'Pools off the bottom of the entire Football League when the season came to a close.

After the first four games brought three defeats, Town

were 20th in the table, but thankfully that was as bad as it got. In November, Town entertained Hartlepool and claimed a 3-2 victory with goals from Gary Emmanuel, Andy Rowland and Lee Barnard. We were generous hosts as well. Town defender Simon Gibson registering an own goal, and then Phil Ray scored Hartlepool's second, during his spell on loan from Burnley.

Paul Batty scored the only goal of the game as we completed a double at Victoria Park in March.

Town top scorer Alan Mayes



Top Films

Octopussy

Flashdance

Trading Places

WarGames



Return of the Jedi

Scarface

The Meaning of Life

Vacation



(pictured) included six penalties in his 17 League goals while Lee Barnard and Jim Quinn were both on seven, and manager Ken Beamish was replaced by John Trollope for the start of the next campaign.

As for Hartlepool, they were never higher than 21st and from November through to January they sat at the very foot of the table. When they beat Doncaster 1-0 in September it was to be Boxing Day before they tasted victory again, 15 games later. Four wins out of five in February raised hopes but lifted the club just one position, and that's where they stayed.

A last-match, 1-0 victory over Doncaster produced a league double and two points. These were the days before three-points-for-a-win.

One bright spot for Town came in the FA Cup when we travelled to Kettering in the first round and made round two after a 7-0 win, and on the subject of cups, Hartlepool strangely went out of both the Milk Cup and

FA Cup in the first rounds at the hands of Rotherham. Goalless draws at Millmoor were followed by 1-0 wins to the Millers in both cases.

Hartlepool's top scorer was Paul Dobson with 12, with John Linacre and Paul Staff on seven and five respectively, and manager Billy Horner was replaced by Mick Docherty.

Maidstone United finished top of the Alliance Premier League, a position that today would gain League football,

but this was before automatic promotion and all the bottom four teams were spared the drop to non-league by the voting of their fellow League clubs.

Liverpool took the League title and also beat Roma on penalties to take the European Cup,

and horrifically, up the A420 Oxford United took the Division Three championship under Jim Smith. He returned to Oxfordshire only last month.

Words: Dave Wallis



Top Tunes

You Can't Hurry Love
Phil Collins

Every Breath you take
Police

Too Shy
Kajagoogoo



Let's Dance
David Bowie

Uptown Girl
Billy Joel

Billie Jean
Michael Jackson



Total Eclipse of the Heart
Bonnie Tyler

Candy Girl
New Edition



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Karma Chameleon
Culture Club



On this day...

Sat 8th April 1994

Rock musician Kurt Cobain found dead

The lead-singer of American grunge rock band Nirvana, Kurt Cobain, has been found dead in his Seattle home.

The 27-year-old rock star had a single gunshot wound to the head. A gun and suicide note were found nearby.

On the Box

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Auf Wiedersehen, Pet

Blockbusters



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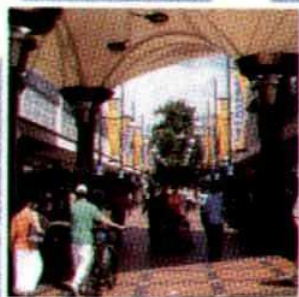
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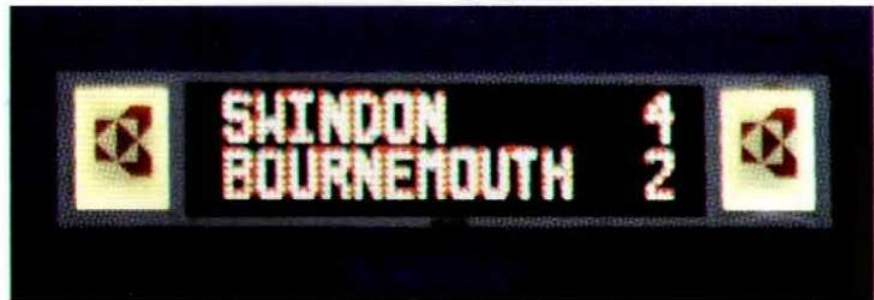
We still need the winner for the last match against Chesterfield to come forward at the time writing these notes. The winning ticket was sold by the Nationwide Stand and a prize of £340 awaits holder of ticket number 457.

Pounds 4 Points

Our total is creeping up lets hope three points today will continue to add to the total which now stands at £2262.00. Dare we hope for 15 more points in the league that would take the fund to £3000 and the team, undoubtedly with League One survival!

Date for your diary

We extend a warm invitation to all fans to our informal annual dinner function for our Player of the Year award presentation, which is to take place on Tuesday



2nd May at The County Ground, 7.30 for 8.00pm start.

Voting slips and reservation details will be sent to all members of the Supporters Club in the next few weeks any other fan expressing an interest in attending can ring either Roger on 01865 820499 or Nigel on 01747 840721 for further details. This event has become even more popular as the seasons have gone on so call now for more details.

Scoreboard

We have been recently carrying

out an overhaul including replacement of the panels in the bottom corner which have troubled us since installation.

We are also installing a new piece of equipment which will allow additional functionality. Some of the work has been taking place in the week proceeding today's game so we do hope that it will have been completed in time for today.

We have also taken the opportunity to repaint all of the structure, whilst the scaffolding has been in place.



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A Sporting Success

Le Tiss and Taylor visit SN1

Swindon Town's County Ground played host to two Sporting Celebrities in March with another two successful events staged at the club.

First up was the Sporting Dinner with **Matt Le Tissier** which took place in the Winners Lounge on Wednesday 15th March 2006. The former Southampton and England star opened up with an insight into what life was like playing in the Premiership with a number of behind the scenes tales. Known as 'Le God' by some Saints supporters, Le Tissier also posed for photographs with guests as well as signing autographs for those present on the night. There was also a raffle and auction on the evening with a number of exciting items going under the hammer.

Not content with one famous face in the space of a month, the second Commercial Department success came in the shape of former Watford and England Manager **Graham Taylor** who was in Town for a Sporting Lunch on Monday March 20th. Corporate guests were treated to a two-course lunch before a question and answer session, to which Taylor gave a refreshingly honest set of answers.

Overall both the Sporting Dinner and Sporting Lunch were both successes with both Le Tissier and Taylor proving popular figures with The County Ground crowd.

The next Sporting Dinner takes place on Thursday 18th May 2006 with former Newcastle United and England Manager **Sir Bobby Robson** in Town. For more details, or to reserve your place, please call Sarah Mildenhall in the Sales and Marketing Department on 01793 333718 or email sarah@swindontownfc.co.uk.



▲ Matt Le Tissier talks about his playing days.



▲ Please sign here... a lucky auction winner receives a signed England shirt.



▲ Chief Executive Sandy Gray, Mike Spearman, Mike King with our guest speaker Matt Le Tissier and comedian Mick Walker.



▲ A lucky winner receives a bottle of Cognac and a cash prize from Matt after winning the bingo.



▲ Mike King from Greenham meets Matt Le Tissier.



▲ Graham Taylor shares his thoughts on the England managers job.



▲ All smiles over lunch.



▲ Graham shares a joke with comedian Barry Williams.



Steve Jenkins A-Z

AMAZED... tell us something we don't know about Steve Jenkins?
The Wife makes me do all the washing and ironing at home.

BUTCHER... which do you prefer - beef, pork or chicken?
Chicken.

CURVEBALL... who has the strangest taste in music at the club?
Rory listened to some bad music when he was here.

DRAW... can you draw a teammate?
Jerel Ifil...

EXTRAS... which member of the squad fancies themselves as an actor?
'Robbo' has been pretending to be a footballer for years.

FINAL... are you looking forward to the last game of the season against your old club?
Yes, as long as we are safe from relegation by then.

GLOBAL... favourite holiday destination?
Tresco Bay in Portugal - I had some great holidays there as a kid but more recently I have had some good times in Barbados.

HOUSE... are you settled in your new abode?
We are getting there slowly thanks. It's good to be back down South.

INTERESTING... what are your other interests outside of football?
I like boxing and don't mind a

bit of golf, but don't get much time to do so because we have too many kids for that!

JINGLE... which song would you choose for karaoke?
The Tom Jones classic - 'Green, Green Grass of Home'.

KINGPIN... who is the best ten-pin bowler in the squad?
I think Rhys Evans won it last time.

LANGUAGE... write something in Welsh for us!
Faint o gloch?
(Whats the time?)

MANUAL... or automatic, which do you prefer when driving?
Manual, as I have never had an automatic.

NEVER... who would you never play for?
Oxford!

OWN GOAL... what's the 'best' own goal you have ever seen?
Lee Sinnott at Huddersfield. He sliced a volleyed clearance from 20-yards over the keeper's head. Class!

PROFESSIONAL... when did you sign for Swindon?
December 2005.

QUICK... fastest player you have played with?
John Williams at Swansea City. He won the sprint challenge to see who was the fastest player in football.

RESTAURANT... what's your favourite place to eat?

The Cliff or Le Manoir Aux Quat' Saisons.

STATISTIC... did you know you have made 606 league appearances so far?
I knew it was somewhere around that figure.

TECHNICAL... would you like to move into Management?
Eventually yes, but at the moment I just want to play on for as long as possible.

UNFORGETTABLE... best and worst memory in football?
The worst is the death of my team-mate Alan Davies, and the best was my debut for Wales.

VOCATION... what would you do if you were not a footballer?
I'd probably be the super middleweight champion of the world!

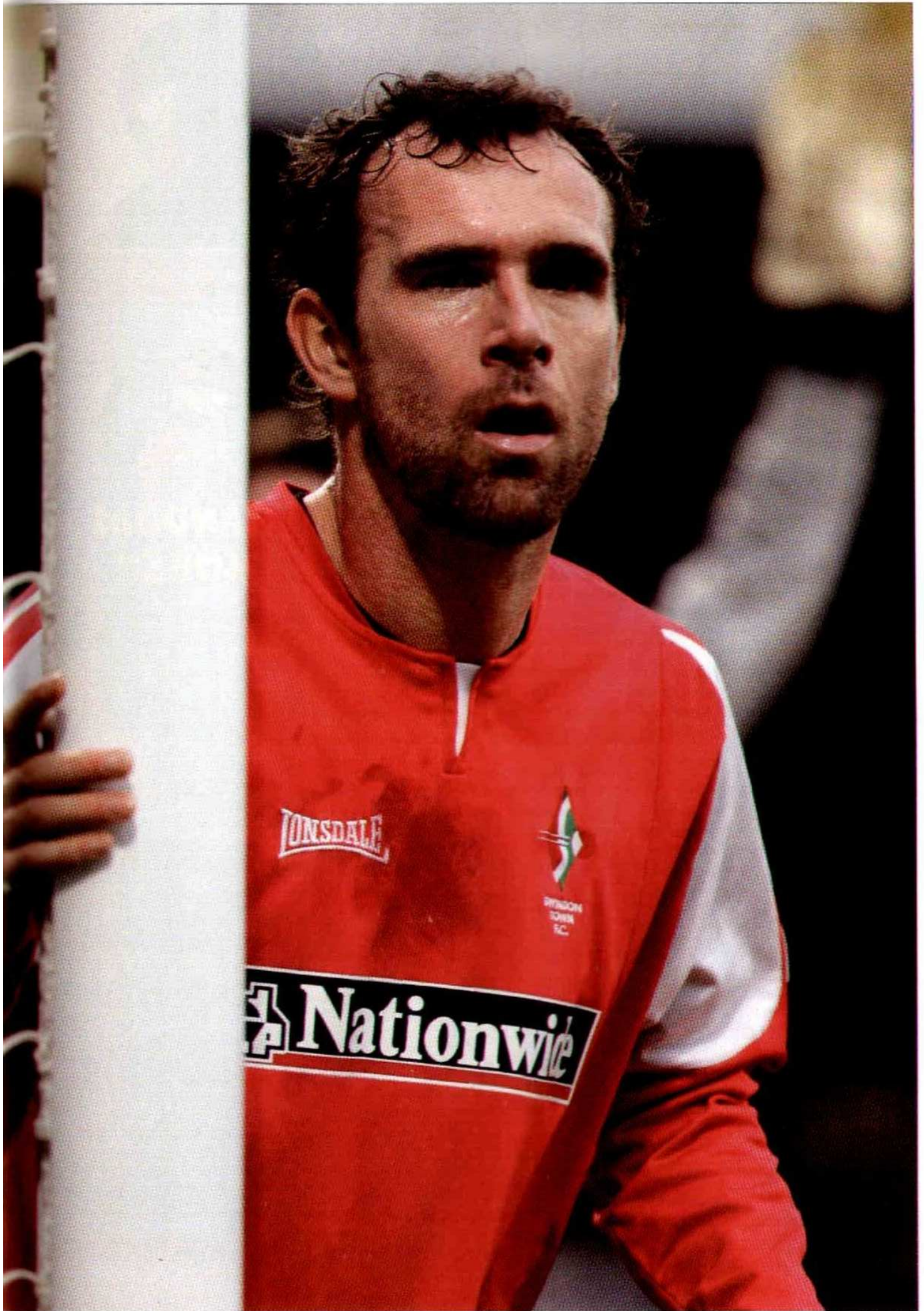
WORLD CUP... who will contest the final this year?
As much as it hurts me, being a proud Welshman, but I think England have a great chance. Other than that I think Brazil and Argentina will be strong too.

X... sign here please

YELLOW... what scare's you?
The Mrs.

ZEST... do you get nervous before running out of the tunnel?
Not at all.







with Andrea Garratt



Welcome JR's

Good afternoon and welcome to all the Junior Robins here today, this is the first home fixture of three and the middle Saturday of the Easter holidays for most of you.

On Thursday we held our third 'Meet the Players' night, these notes were written before the event, so a full report and photos will feature in a future programme. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the players and staff involved for their help at this event, especially Chris Tanner for his assistance in selecting and reminding the players to attend, Sarah Mildenhall who takes the photos and Chris Abrook and the bar staff for setting up the lounge and giving up their time.

Working from home running the Junior Robins, while having a full-time job and two children means that although I may not spend all day as Robins Co-Ordinator, I feel

very passionately about the role and the football club and always try to ensure things run smoothly and efficiently, this would be much harder without the help and support of my colleagues.

Next Tuesday, our revised reciprocal runs to Swansea. This was postponed as the Swans played in the final of the Football League Trophy, formerly the LDV, on Sunday April 2nd and subsequently won. This is our final reciprocal this season, having already travelled to MK Dons and Bournemouth. Again, an account of the trip will follow.

Finally, the trip to Chelsea which was scheduled to run on Tuesday has been postponed to a date at the end of May.

For further information on this trip or any other Junior Robins event, please contact me on the usual details.

Enjoy the game,

Andrea



RANDOM ROBIN

Damian Mansford

Age: 12

Favourite past player?

Sam Parkin

Favourite present player?

Jerel Ifill

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

Rory Fallon

Who is your favourite non-Swindon player?

Wayne Rooney

What was the first game you went to?

Swindon vs Bristol City

Where do you think we'll finish this season?

7th

Complete this sentence in 10 words or less, "I love Swindon because..."

"...they are my favourite team"

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Aimee Robinson
Ryan Jones
Richard O'Halloran
Hattie Scanlon
Lawrence Packham



Declan Harris (age 6) and **James Keen** (age 7) were "Loud and Proud" at the recent away game at Yeovil.

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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...

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TODAY'S MASCOTS



Celebrating her recent birthday, 9-year old **Janae Francis** attends Drove Road School and her favourite player is Christian Roberts. She would like to say a big hello to her friend Louise who is here today to watch her own favourite player Lee Peacock.



13-year old **Josh Skeates** has been a ballboy at The County Ground for a number of years and is here today as mascot after taking part in a Central TV competition. His favourite player is Lee Peacock and he attends Hread Parkway School.

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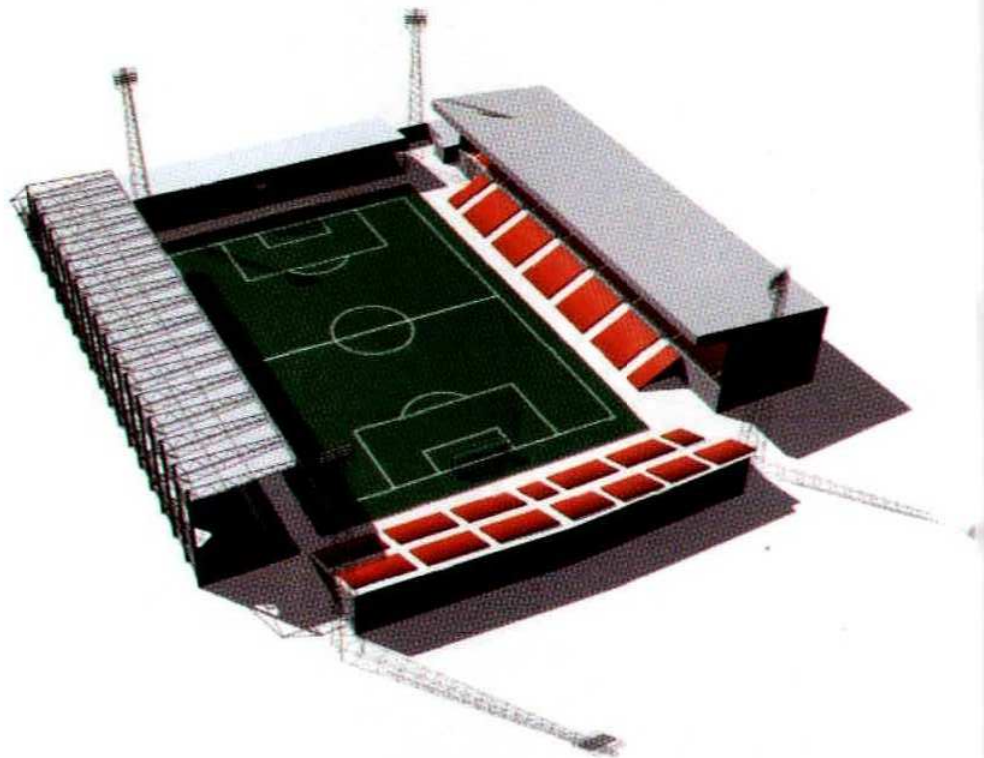
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	Advanced	Matchday	Advanced	Matchday	Advanced	Matchday
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Away Tickets...

vs. Swansea City



Liberty Stadium

Tuesday 11th April 2006
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 7.45pm

Ticket Prices

Adult	£13.00
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Junior	£7.00

This game is **ALL TICKET** for Swindon Town supporters. Students must have a current valid student card, OAP's must be over 65, Juniors under 16. ID/Proof of age may be required.

vs. Scunthorpe United



Glanford Park

Monday 17th April 2006
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 3pm

Ticket Prices

Adult	£16.00
OAP	£9.00
Junior	£9.00

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vs. Bristol City



Ashton Gate

Saturday 29th April 2006
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 3pm

Ticket Prices

Adult	£17.00
OAP / Student	£13.00
Junior	£6.00

Unreserved covered seating – now on sale. More details will be made available in the near future. Check www.swindontown.co.uk for more.



NEXT HOME

vs. Milton Keynes Dons

Saturday 15th April 2006
Coca-Cola League One,
The County Ground, 3.00pm



We're back in County Ground action again next week, and like today the game could be a vital one for both teams.

Last weekend, ex-Bristol City manager Danny Wilson's side were accommodating enough to lose at home to Gillingham, and adding that to the defeat by Brentford five days earlier, it meant that the two games in hand that the Don's held over us had been squandered without return.

By now MK will have played one more game than Town, making the trip to Port Vale last Tuesday. Whatever happened, the Dons are sure to still be bottom of the table today, and with games running out every match brings increased pressure.

Striker Izale McLeod has attracted plenty of attention with his form in front of goal. With 15 so far, he failed to add to his haul in the recent 1-0 defeat by Brentford. Having already hit the post, McLeod hit the bar from the penalty spot with five minutes to go.

Amongst the staff in Milton Keynes, Australian defender Gareth Edds (below) played 14 times for Town in 2002/03 after arriving from Nottingham Forest. He joined the club in the summer of 2004 after a season at Bradford City. He's hit four goals this season.

MK Dons are in danger of consecutive relegations and in the cut-throat business of football, iffy's boys will be in no mood to offer any lifelines. Don't remain 50/50. Phone a friend and ask him along to swell the crowd and watch a real football match with much at stake for both teams.

The match takes place on 15th April with ticket prices reduced. Call 0870 443 1894 for more details.



NEXT AWAY

vs. Swansea City

Tuesday 11th April 2006
Coca-Cola League One,
Liberty Stadium, 3.00pm



Our trip to Wales next Tuesday takes us to the home of the most recent winners of football silverware.

Swansea City defeated Carlisle United in the Football League Trophy last weekend, a match that forced the re-arrangement of our original fixture with the Swans.

Swansea's goals came at each end of the match, from Lee Trundle and Adebayo Akinfenwa, that sandwiched a 40th minute goal from Carlisle's Adam Murray and brought the Trophy home to South Wales.

And it's Trundle who has caught the most attention up front in League One this season. With 20 goals to his name, only Southend's Freddy Eastwood can claim a better strike total. Andy Robinson is also amongst the division's most deadly on 16.

The game brings a fixture against their former clubs for Rory Fallon and Andy Gurney, both of which began the season in the colours of the opposition. Gurney however will be forced to sit out, serving the last of a two-game suspension.

City were our last opposition of 2005 when a 0-0 draw at the County Ground on New Year's Eve left each club with a point. City are five points off an automatic promotion spot and with the Millennium Stadium adventure now over, the Swans will be focusing on a top two finish.

Town have their eyes on some points for different, but just as important reasons.

League One Table 05.04.06


	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
1 ▶ Southend	40	21	11	8	65	36	74	+29
2 ▶ Brentford	40	19	11	10	62	44	68	+18
3 ▶ Huddersfield	40	18	14	8	66	51	68	+15
4 ▶ Colchester	39	18	11	10	49	36	65	+13
5 ▶ Swansea	39	16	15	8	67	45	63	+22
6 ▶ Oldham	40	18	9	13	54	50	63	+4
7 ▶ Barnsley	40	16	14	10	53	39	62	+14
8 ▶ Nottm Forest	40	16	10	14	59	46	58	+13
9 ▶ Doncaster	40	16	9	15	49	46	57	+3
10 ▶ Bradford	40	12	16	12	45	44	52	+1
11 ▶ Bristol City	40	14	10	16	55	58	52	-3
12 ▶ Tranmere	40	12	15	13	48	42	51	+6
13 ▶ Chesterfield	40	13	12	15	56	60	51	-4
14 ▶ Scunthorpe	40	13	12	15	61	67	51	-6
15 ▶ Port Vale	40	14	9	17	41	48	51	-7
16 ▶ Gillingham	40	13	11	16	39	55	50	-16
17 ▶ Bournemouth	39	11	14	14	41	45	47	-4
18 ▶ Blackpool	40	11	14	15	49	56	47	-7
19 ▶ Yeovil	40	12	10	18	44	55	46	-11
20 ▶ Hartlepool	39	10	14	15	36	48	44	-12
21 ▶ Rotherham	40	10	13	17	45	57	43	-12
22 ▶ Walsall	39	10	13	16	43	59	43	-16
23 ▶ Swindon	39	10	12	17	40	56	42	-16
24 ▶ Milton Keynes	40	8	13	19	37	61	37	-24

League One Fixtures Saturday 8th April 2006

LDLD	Barnsley	vs	Chesterfield	LLLL
DWLL	Brentford	vs	Bradford	WDWLW
WWWD	Gillingham	vs	Huddersfield	WDWLD
WWWD	Nottm Forest	vs	Colchester	DDDWL
DWWLW	Oldham	vs	Milton Keynes	LLWLW
WLDLD	Port Vale	vs	Swansea	WLWWD
LWLWD	Rotherham	vs	Tranmere	WDLWW
LDWWL	Scunthorpe	vs	Bournemouth	DDWLD
DWLWW	Southend	vs	Blackpool	WLLWD
WLDLL	Swindon	vs	Hartlepool	DLDLW
LDLWD	Walsall	vs	Bristol City	WLWWD
LDWLD	Yeovil	vs	Doncaster	WWDLD

STFC Player Appearances & Goals 2005/06

	League			Cup			Total		
	aps	gls	y/r	aps	gls	y/r	aps	gls	y/r
EVANS, Rhys	25	0	1/0	-	-	-	25	0	1/0
O'HANLON, Seán	33	4	5/0	4	0	1/0	37	4	6/0
SMITH, Jack	31	0	6/0	2	0	1/0	33	0	7/0
NICOLAU, Nicky	3(2)	0	0	(1)	0	0	3(3)	0	0
FIL, Jerel	31(2)	0	7/3	4	0	1/0	35(2)	0	8/3
JENKINS, Steve	15(6)	1	4/0	4	0	1/0	19(6)	1	5/0
WHALLEY, Gareth	17(3)	0	3/0	3	0	0	20(3)	0	1/0
BENJAMIN, Trevor	2(3)	1	0	-	-	-	2(3)	1	0
PEACOCK, Lee	10(1)	1	0	-	-	-	10(1)	1	0
MIGLIORANZI, Stefani	22(3)	1	3/0	1	0	0	23(3)	1	3/0
CURETON, Jamie	19(5)	7	0	(2)	0	0	19(7)	7	0
SHAKES, Ricky	21(10)	1	2/0	2(1)	0	0	23(11)	1	2/0
BULMAN, Matt	-	-	-	(1)	0	0	(1)	0	0
NICHOLAS, Andy	27(2)	0	0	4	0	0	31(2)	0	0
COMYN-PLATT, Charlie	9(7)	1	2/0	2(3)	1	0	11(10)	2	2/0
ROBERTS, Christian	4(17)	3	2/0	4	1	1/0	8(17)	4	3/0
POOK, Michael	25(3)	0	2/0	3(1)	1	0	28(4)	1	2/0
SMITH, Paul	3(4)	0	0	-	-	-	3(4)	0	0
WELLS, Ben	(3)	0	0	-	-	-	(3)	0	0
MCPHEE, Chris	(1)	0	0	-	-	-	(1)	0	0
DIAGOURAGA, Tourmani	(1)	0	1/0	-	-	-	(1)	0	1/0
GURNEY, Andy	21(3)	1	10/1	3	1	0	24(3)	2	10/1
STROUD, David	1(1)	0	0	1	0	0	2(1)	0	0
HOLGATE, Ashan	2(4)	0	3/0	(2)	0	0	2(6)	0	3/0
BROWN, Aaron	18(3)	0	1/0	-	-	-	18(3)	0	1/0

Other Appearances: Rory Fallon, 26(1), 14 gls; Tony Thorpe, 24(2), 1 g; Alan Reeves, 31(1), Patrick Collins, 13, Nicky Sumner, Neale McDermott, 11(1), 2 gls; Colin Heath, 11(3), 1 g; Albert Jarrett, 2(4); Tom Heaton, 19, Harneel Bourziza, 13(2), 3 gls; Petr Mkolunda, 11(4)

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	* 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. Whistler
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 (FAC1r)	A	1-4	2,467	181	* 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	* 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	0-0	5,766	220	24th T. Parkes
Mon Dec 26	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	1-0	5,531	255	24th K. Friend
Wed Dec 28	Chesterfield	A	1-1	4,265	325	24th G. Lewis
Sat Dec 31	SWANSEA CITY	H	0-0	8,985	3,208	23rd M. Russell
Mon Jan 2	Hartlepool United	A	1-1	4,169	164	23rd N. Swarbrick
Sat Jan 14	Gillingham	A	0-3	7,300	630	23rd L. Probert
Sat Jan 21	BOURNEMOUTH	H	4-2	6,092	1,124	23rd M. Fletcher
Fri Jan 27	Southend United	A	0-2	7,945	346	23rd J. Singh
Tue Jan 31	WALSALL	H	1-0	4,597	200	22nd D. Deadman
Sat Feb 4	DONCASTER ROVERS	H	2-1	5,100	487	21st P. Melin
Sat Feb 11	Bradford City	A	1-1	7,283	278	21st R. Booth
Tue Feb 14	GILLINGHAM	H	1-0	5,530	563	16th S. Mathieson
Sat Feb 18	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H	2-3	7,518	316	19th A. Penn
Sat Feb 25	Nottingham Forest	A	1-7	22,444	1,188	22nd C. Oliver
Tue Mar 7	TRANMERE ROVERS	H	1-2	4,139	132	22nd A. Woolmer
Sat Mar 11	Yeovil Town	A	0-0	7,451	1,480	22nd P. Taylor
Sat Mar 18	Colchester United	A	0-1	3,767	222	23rd G. Sutton
Sat Mar 25	CHESTERFIELD	H	2-0	5,661	127	23rd G. Hegley
Sat Apr 8	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H				
Tue Apr 11	Swansea City	A				
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				
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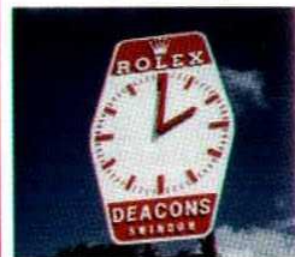
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Hartlepool to win by 1 goal	7/1
Hartlepool to win by 2 or more	40/1

First Scorer

Cureton	13/2	Boyd	7/1
Benjamin	7/1	Porter	8/1
Shakes	9/1	Proctor	8/1
Whalley	14/1	Sweeney	9/1
Comyn-Platt	18/1	Humphreys	18/1
J.Smith	18/1	Nelson	28/1
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2 Free Kids vouchers means that you can enjoy a great '4 for the price of 2' family day out to LEGOLAND Windsor with 'Coca-Cola'.

NEW for 2006, take part in the fantastic Digger Challenge in association with JCB, see Miniland's impressive new LEGO[®] brick model of the London skyline, catch the thrilling 'Spellbreaker 4D' movie in the Imagination Theatre or cheer on hero Johnny Thunder in the exciting live-action show 'The Secret of the Scorpion Palace' in LEGO City.

*When accompanied by one full paying adult.

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WINDSOR **KIDS GO FREE**
(With a full paying adult, excluding August)

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- This voucher entitles one child (up to and including 15 years of age) free entry to LEGOLAND Windsor when accompanied by a full paying adult.
- Only one free child entrance ticket per voucher and per full-paying adult.
- Entrance for children under three years of age is free.
- Voucher must be presented upon entrance into LEGOLAND Windsor and surrendered to the ticket booth operator. Discount vouchers cannot be used for pre-bookings.
- Not to be used in-conjunction with any other offer, reward/loyalty program, 2 Day Pass, Annual Pass, group booking, on-line tickets, rail inclusive offers or an exclusive event or concert.
- Guests are advised that not all attractions and shows may be operational on the day of their visit.
- Height, age and weight restrictions apply on some rides. Some rides will require guests who only just meet the minimum height requirements to be accompanied by a person aged 18 years or over.
- Guests under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a person aged 18 or over.
- This voucher is not for re-sale, is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- The park opens for the 2006 season on 25 March and closes on 29 October.
- This voucher is valid for admissions from 25 March to 29 October 2006, excluding the month of August and other selected dates in the season - please check www.LEGOLAND.co.uk in advance to confirm excluded dates.
- This offer will apply irrespective of the entrance price at the time of use.
- LEGOLAND Windsor will be closed on selected weekdays in March, April, May, September and October.
- PLEASE visit www.LEGOLAND.co.uk in advance to confirm dates and prices.
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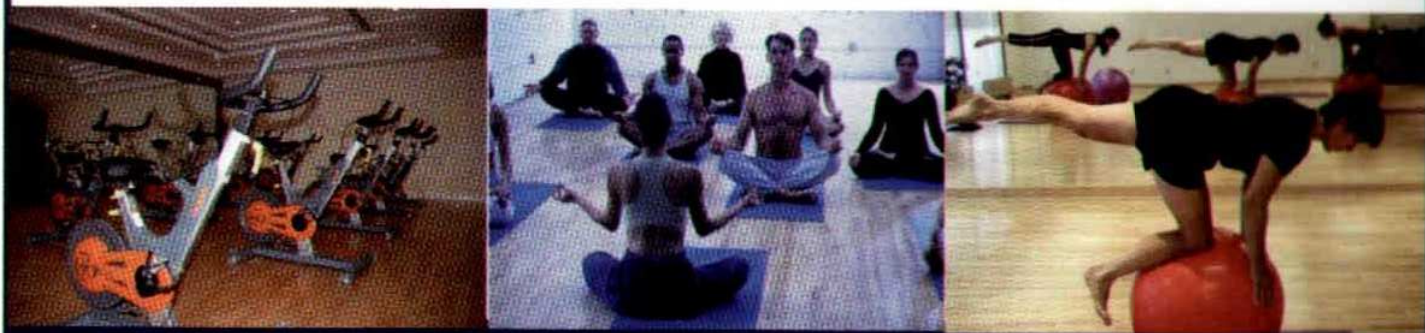


Join in April for only £25 joining fee and receive a FREE starter kit and Health Assessment

For further information and membership details please call Lillian Bryan on 01793 889360 quoting 'Spring Back'

Facilities include:

Heated indoor pool, spa, new steam room, Fitech Lifestyle room, Cardio Vascular Suite, new aerobics studio, Health & Beauty Suite, Cafe Pulse



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