

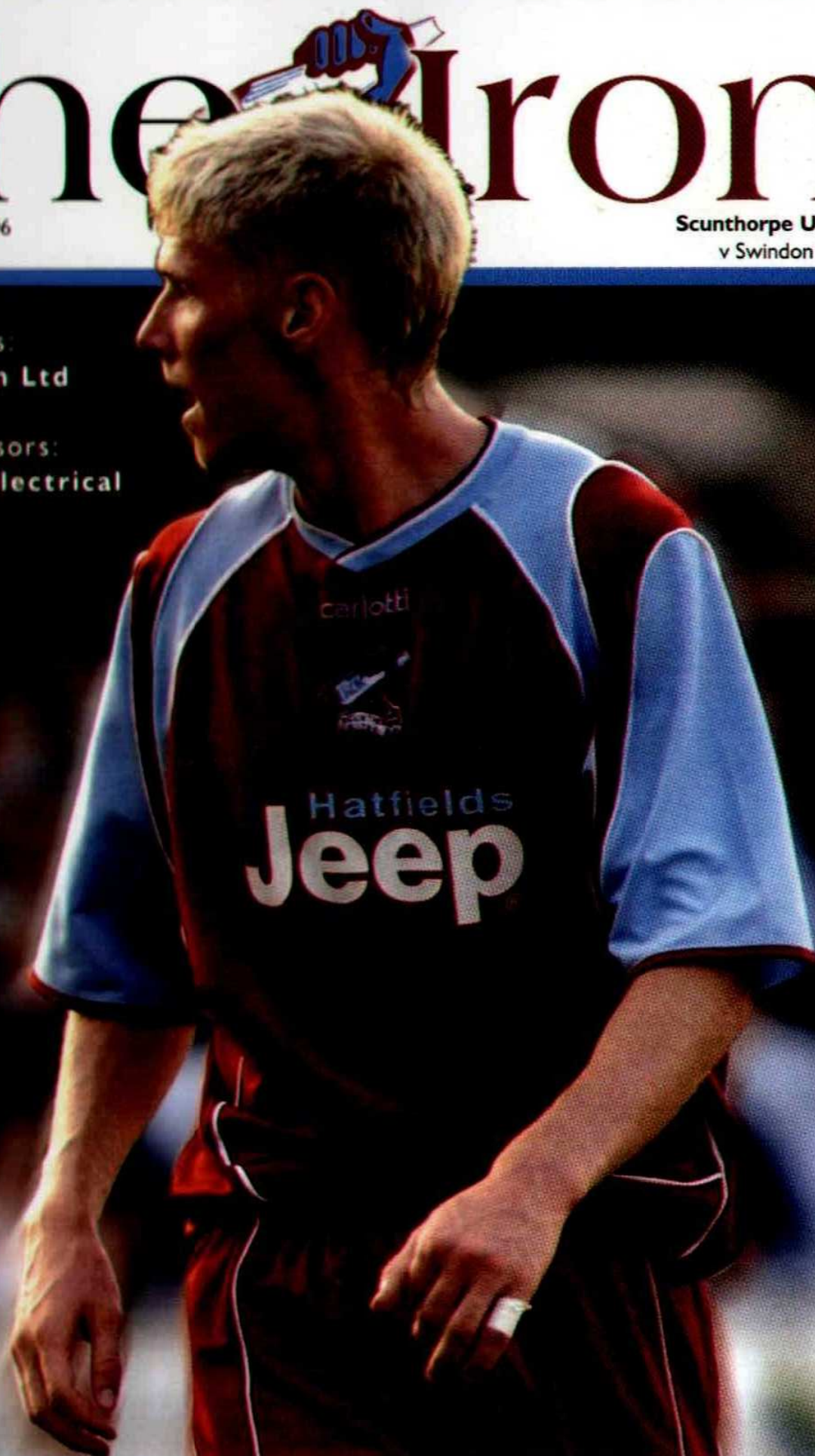
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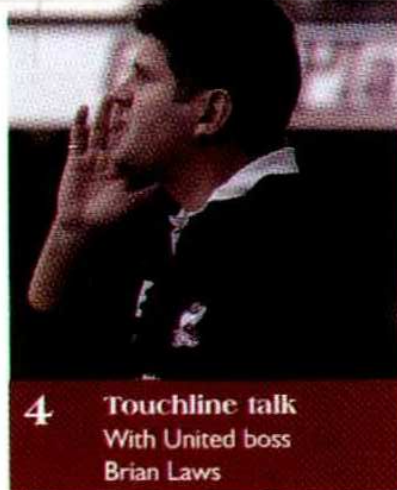
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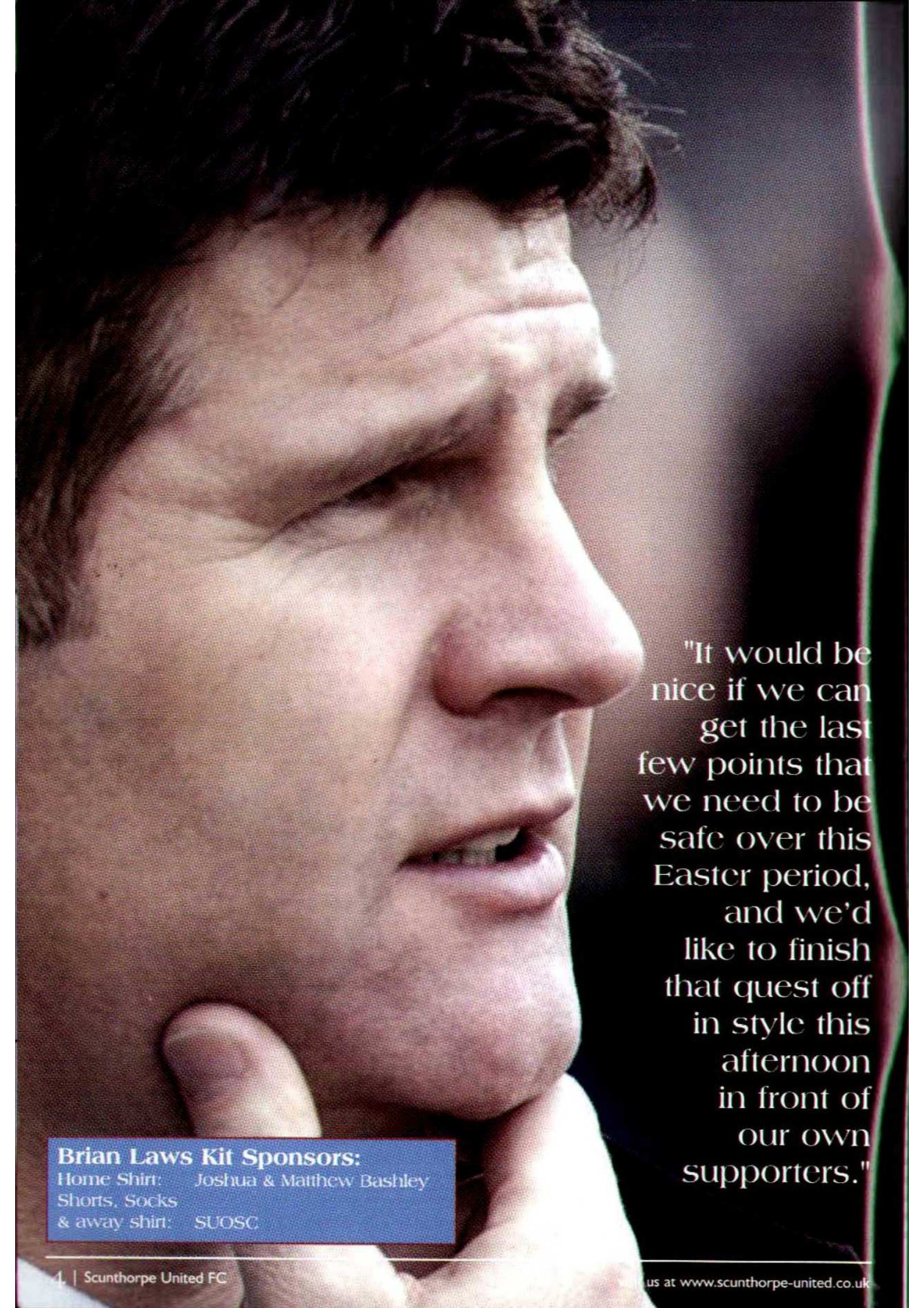
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# Touchline Talk

with Manager Brian Laws

The Easter period sees most clubs playing two matches over this weekend, and many teams have a lot to play for. Over these matches, there will be a number of clubs who may secure their places in the play-off positions, or, they may find themselves fighting for their divisional lives to avoid the spectre of relegation.

We know that Swindon Town, our visitors this afternoon, desperately need as many points as they can get to avoid a bottom four place in League One, and they will be fighting for every single point. We also need the points to secure our place in the division, so both teams have everything to play for today.

I wish a warm welcome to Swindon Town Football Club, their manager Iffy Onuora, his players and, of course, their supporters for today's match at Glanford Park.

These notes have been written prior to Friday's away game at Yeovil Town, but I hope that we will have got a reasonable result there. It would be nice if we can get the last few points that we need to be safe over this Easter period, and we'd like to finish that quest off in style this afternoon in front of our own supporters. I hope that, with your backing today, we will achieve that.

Looking back to our last home game, which was against Bournemouth, I mentioned that afternoon in my programme notes

that Bournemouth are one of the best footballing sides in this division. Sometimes they overplay, but one thing's for sure, they certainly have been underachieving of late and I believe that they will definitely survive in this league. I think they showed enough at Glanford Park to suggest that.

I would like to thank Ismael Ehui for his patience whilst he has been with us for the last two months. He came to us on loan from Fulham along with Michael Timlin; some people might say that it's been disappointing time for them. However, they have had the experience of being involved in being in the first team, something which they have not had at Fulham, so they have gained experience. They were brought into the club when we needed a push. They don't always have to play to benefit the squad with that little bit of spirit. The fact that the other players have responded because they have come in proves that their presence here has worked.

Their loan periods have now come to an end, and both Ismael

and Michael have gone back to Fulham. I would like to put on record my thanks for their patience and their commitment to Scunthorpe United Football Club whilst they have been here.

Matt Sparrow has completed his two match ban, and will hopefully be involved today. He's certainly had a great season so far and he's certainly been sorely missed over the last couple of games.

Thanks to the sponsors of today's match, BW Shrimpton Ltd., and our match ball sponsors Trent Valley Electrical and Fireplace & Timber. Their support of this football club is appreciated by everyone at Glanford Park.

I would finally like to wish everybody a very Happy Easter. Don't eat too many chocolate eggs!

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Up the Iron  
Brian Laws**

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with Andy Crosby



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There's a big weekend of games this Easter, with only seven points separating us from the bottom four. MK Dons play Swindon and Hartlepool this Easter, so if they're going to save themselves from relegation, they have to pick up some points from those two games.

It's an important weekend for all the bottom four – if they don't start picking up points, it will be very difficult for them to escape the drop to League Two.

I still think we need another couple of points, and hopefully we will have achieved that at Yeovil on Friday. One win would do it, just to make sure that we're comfortably out of reach of the relegation battle for the last couple of weeks of the season. The quicker we get those points, the better.

We drew 2-2 against Bournemouth in our last home game. At half time I think we'd have gladly taken a point, as although we'd gone in front quite early, they played very well and put us under a lot of pressure without that being reflected in the number of chances they created. We changed one or two things around in the second half, and we had a few chances before we equalised, with their keeper making a few good saves. I was a bit disappointed that we didn't nick all three points at the end, but I suppose a draw was a fair reflection of the game.

We face Swindon in today's game; it's a massive game for both teams, even bigger for them as they need the points more than us. They played MK Dons on Saturday so if they didn't get a result against them then they're really up against it.

I'm rather surprised to see them struggling to avoid relegation this season. When you look at some of the players they've got on paper, they shouldn't be

where they are. They've got some good players that have played at Championship level, even this season, such as Peacock and Cureton. They've struggled all season which is a surprise, but then again, there are one or two other teams that are struggling down there that are also unexpected.

I'm very pleased to see that Billy Sharp has been named in the PFA Team of the Year, which is great as it's his first season of regular first team football. It was a big decision for him to leave Sheffield United to come here, with him also being a Sheffield lad. He wasn't playing at Sheffield, but they got off to a great start this season and it was still a big move for him. Since he arrived here one he's scored goals, but unfortunately he's had that period recently when he's been out injured, but to get in the PFA Team is a great achievement for him. He's a level headed lad and he's a natural goal scorer, he can get himself in the box and I think he will score at any level he gets to play at. Hopefully he'll score even more goals next season and he can only get better.

Andy Keogh may be a little unfortunate not to be included as well, although it would be unusual for two strikers from the same club to get in. Andy's had a good season with 14 or 15 goals in his first full season, so both of them have done well and set themselves a standard which they can hopefully better next season.

**Up the Iron Crozzer.**

# The Away Dugout



It's tough down at the bottom - and today's visitors Swindon Town, managed by Iffy Onuora, have been down there for most of the campaign, so they should know exactly how harsh things can be.

They struggled hugely at first but since November a new steely determination has engulfed the County Ground and the Robins have been grinding out solid, if still unspectacular, results. Their 1-1 draw with the Iron in October was the turning point in the league. Their comeback in that match (with ten men for most of the second half) proved that there is more than enough talent in the current Swindon side to get out of a relegation scrap that has involved more than half of the division until recently.

In fact Swindon looked on course for an unlikely top half finish until they were stopped in their tracks by an awful 7-1 defeat at Nottingham Forest at the end of February, that result lowered confidence at the County Ground and results have been mixed since - it is probably going to go down to the last day for Onuora's men.

"At Forest we finished the second half with a drubbing, but at least recently we have finished matches attacking sides. In terms of points we are not too far off what I had thought we would need at this stage. However, we cannot afford any more hiccups," said Onuora.

"There is now a massive challenge in front of us and we have to rise to it. The lads have to get up to speed and we have to get the confidence back in us but there will be no substitute for hard work. The confidence is a little low and we need to get positivity back into our game. A relegation fight will take its toll mentally - but we should have enough about us to get out of it."

Iffy Onuora took over as Swindon manager in late September following the departure of Andy King

from the club. Onuora joined the Robins in October 2004 as Head of Youth Development in and quickly made a positive impression with all at the County Ground with a swift promotion into management following less than a year later.

Results are much improved since the turn of the year and last week's 1-1 home draw with fellow strugglers Hartlepool United, in which they came back from a goal down, personified the determination in the current Swindon set-up.

"Slowly but surely a few clubs like Tranmere, Gillingham and Bristol City have put themselves on the brink of safety, but we, like seven or eight clubs down there, don't have that luxury," he said. "We have a youngish squad, we've had a lot of change and it's taken time for us to gel, but slowly and surely we have done that and we have got a reasonable chance of staying up. We have got a lot of teams to play in and around us and there are going to be some real six-pointers between now and the end of the season. We've got one of my old clubs Huddersfield at home on the last day of the season and there could be a lot at stake for both clubs, but there is a lot of football to be played before then."

Iffy has enjoyed a great 20 years in professional football, and was a much-travelled player - he now wants to translate his on-pitch success into management. A win on this Bank Holiday Monday could go a long way to making sure he is managing in League One next season, but the Iron might have something else to say about that as they seek to finally ensure their own safety.

## Iffy Onuora's CV

**NAME:** Iffy Onuora

### **APPOINTED:**

September 26, 2005

**AGE:** 38

**BORN:** Glasgow, Scotland

### **PREVIOUS ROLES:**

Youth-team coach at Swindon Town

### **ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Took the Robins from dead certs for relegation to having a fighting chance of survival, all within a matter of months

### **HIGHLIGHT OF THE SEASON SO FAR:**

The 1-0 win over an in-form Colchester side at Christmas, and the 4-2 win over Bournemouth particularly stand out for the rookie boss

### **LOWEST POINT OF THE SEASON SO FAR:**

Don't mention the 7-1 defeat by Forest

### **ASSISTANT BOSS:**

Alan Reeves - the experienced former Robins defender provides back-up to Onuora

**PHYSIO:** Dick Mackey

## Iffy Onuora's Managerial Career:

Team	From	To	G	W	L	D	% Won
Swindon Town	26-09-2005	Present	33	9	12	12	27%
<b>Record v the Iron:</b>			<b>G</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>% Won</b>
For Swindon Town			1	0	0	1	0%



# Swindon Town



## Goalkeepers

Lining up between the sticks for Iffy Onuora's men will be the highly-rated **RHYS EVANS** (above). **MATTHEW BULMAN** is likely to warm the bench.

Ex-Town manager Andy King swooped for Evans (20) in 2003 to give then-first choice keeper Bart Griemink more competition for the number one shirt at Swindon Town. Since that time Evans has been a regular between the posts for the Robins and has turned in many match saving performances. He has now established himself as number one once again.

After progressing up through the youth ranks at the club, Bulman (19) fulfilled every youngsters dream when he was handed a professional contract with Swindon Town in July 2005. He made his first team debut during this season's FA Cup defeat at Boston United, coming on as a substitute after Tom Heaton had been sent off after just 13 minutes of the game.

## Defenders

Regularly featuring at the heart of the Robins defence this season have been **ANDY GURNEY**, **SEAN O'HANLON**, **STEVE JENKINS**, **CHARLIE COMYN-PLATT** and **JACK SMITH**.

Gurney (32) rejoined Swindon from Swansea on a permanent basis in January 2005 after failing to pin down a regular place in the Swans' starting line-up. He can operate anywhere along the backline or in centre of midfield - he likes to have a shot on goal and is not afraid to have a go from any distance. He joined left the Robins for Swansea on a free transfer in September 2004 and lists his other clubs as Torquay United, Bristol Rovers and Reading.

After impressing during an eight-game loan spell in the 2002-03 season, Liverpool-born O'Hanlon (23) signed for Swindon Town in March 2004 on a permanent basis from Everton. Having come up through the youth ranks at Goodison Park, O'Hanlon left Merseyside in search of first team football and was a rock in the centre of defence towards the end of the 2003-04 season and is one of the Robins' brightest prospects.

Capped by Wales on sixteen occasions, Jenkins (34) (above right) was signed at the end of November 2004 and has provided added experience to the Town backline. He has had spells at Swansea, Huddersfield, Birmingham, Cardiff, Notts County and Peterborough. A reliable performer who made the right back slot his own during the latter part of 2004-05, Steve has remained solid during this campaign.



Comyn-Platt (21) joined the Bolton Academy in the summer of 2002 after a long association with the club. The assured defender was called into the first team for the first time in September 2003, and he was handed his debut when replacing Bruno N'Gotty for the final nine minutes of the 3-1 Carling Cup win over Walsall. After being released by Bolton in the summer of 2005, he made the switch to the County Ground on a one-year contract and has since extended it for another year.

Jack Smith (22) signed from Watford in the summer of 2005; he adds youthful experience to the Town side and arrives with a point to prove. Due to the departure of Paul Robinson to West Bromwich Albion, he was thrust into the first-team spotlight at Watford and coped admirably, registering two goals.

The consistent **JEREL IFIL** (23) has warmed the bench in recent weeks after returning from suspension, whilst **ANDY NICHOLAS** (23) could be in contention.

# Swindon Town



Above Jack Smith

## Midfielders

Poised to be in midfield are **MICHAEL POOK, GARETH WHALLEY** and **AARON BROWN**. Warming the bench in recent weeks have been loan signing **TOUMANI DIAGOURAGA** and the young **RICKY SHAKES**.

Third year scholar Pook (20) has seen first team action on a number of occasions including the LDV Vans Trophy game at Boston United in 2003. An energetic 'box-to-box' midfielder, 'Pooky' signed a professional contract ahead of the 2005-06 season and was a consistent performer for the youth team and reserves last term.

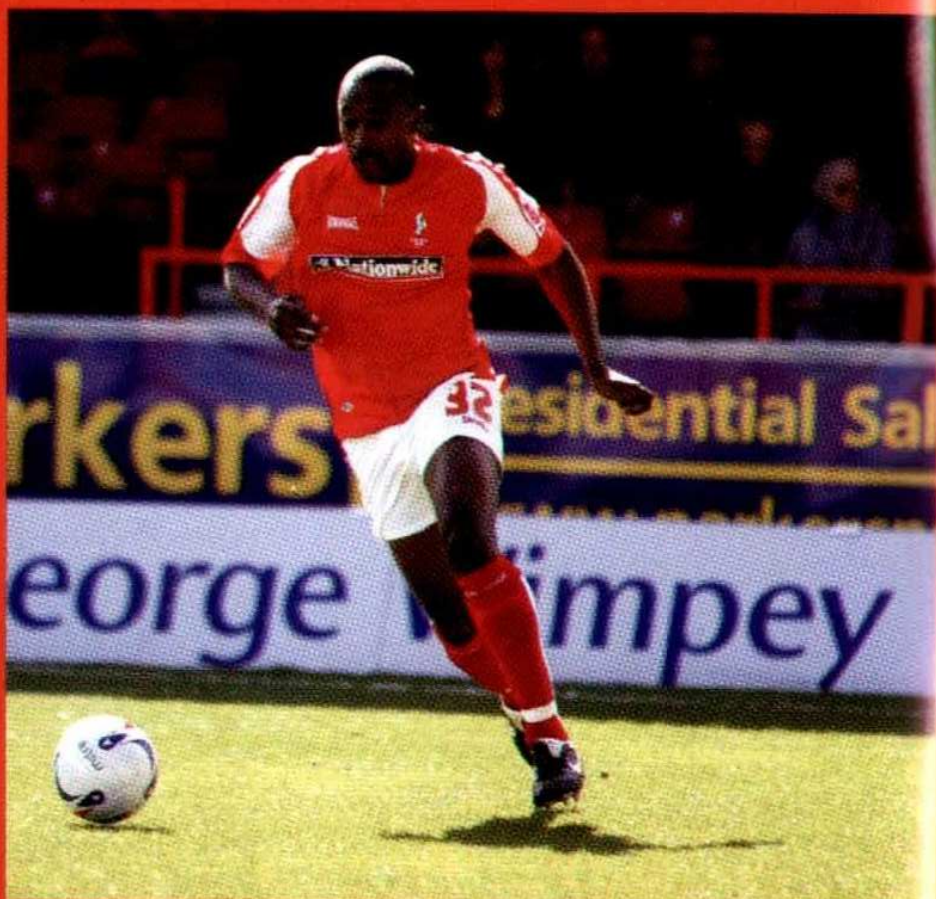
Whalley (32) signed for Swindon Town in July 2005 from Wigan Athletic on a free transfer. Originally a trainee at Crewe, Gareth made over 200 first-team appearances for them before signing for Bradford City in July 1998 for £600,000, where he was a team mate of a certain Peter Beagrie. Gareth has since had spells at Crewe (again) and Cardiff before joining Wigan Athletic and making nine appearances for the Latics in their march to promotion to the Premiership.

He joined the Robins in the summer after turning down United's rivals Grimsby Town.

Joining from QPR in January, Brown (26) (below) has proved to be a decent signing by Iffy Onuora. The Bristol-born midfielder has made over 15 appearances since and has become a mainstay of the Robins' side. Formerly of Bristol City, Exeter, Torquay and Cheltenham, he has vast experience.

Diagouraga (18) is a promising midfielder who signed for Watford after coming over from Paris with several other Academy scholars. He has impressed hugely for the youth and reserve sides and joined Swindon towards the closing of the transfer window. He made his first start in last Saturday's home draw with Hartlepool.

Shakes (21) is a tricky winger with plenty of pace - he signed from Bolton in a deal which also saw Charlie Comyn-Platt join the club. The midfielder spent time on loan with Bristol Rovers and Bury during the 2004-05 season prior to joining the Robins and is hoping for a place in Trinidad and Tobago's World Cup squad this summer, where he could take on England.





Other midfielders in the squad who may be in action today are the experienced former Gillingham and Walsall man **PAUL SMITH** (34) and the exotically-named **STEFANI MIGLIORANZI** (28) who has been a mainstay of the Robins squad for years. Both have just returned from injury lay-offs.

## Strikers

In attack could be former Iron transfer target **TREVOR BENJAMIN**, who is likely to be partnered by Star Man Jamie Cureton. The experienced **LEE PEACOCK**, on-loan **CHRIS MCPHEE** and pacy **CHRISTIAN ROBERTS** complete the attacking options.

Benjamin (27) is on loan from Peterborough United until the end of the season. The big powerful target man has had spells at Cambridge United (for whom he used to score often against the Iron), Leicester, West Brom, Crystal Palace, Norwich, Brighton, Rushden, Gillingham, Northampton and Coventry. He has formed a decent partnership with Jamie Cureton and will be a danger to the Iron this afternoon.

Peacock (29) signed in late January after parting company with Sheffield Wednesday, with the tall forward signing on until summer 2009. He is a player of great quality at this level and the Paisley-born forward has commanded fees in excess of £1,175,000 during his career. His best performance against the Iron came whilst he was in Mansfield colours, in a game where he scored a brace at Field Mill to hand the Stags a 2-1 win over United in 1998. He also scored in the encounter between the two teams at Glanford Park earlier that season. He has since had spells at Manchester City, Bristol City and the Owls. Lee has just returned from injury and scored in last week's draw with Hartlepool.

On loan from Brighton, McPhee (23) is a player who has come through the ranks at the Withdean Stadium and this is his second loan spell of the season. He was at Aldershot earlier this year.

Roberts (26) is another player with decent previous pedigree against United and he netted the equaliser back in

October at the County Ground. He has performed admirably for Exeter City against the Iron in the past and he has overcome off-field problems this year to bounce back strongly - much to the pleasure of boss Iffy Onuora.

*Lee Peacock (right) celebrates scoring against Hartlepool last Saturday*



## Star Man

|| Jamie Cureton

AGE: 30

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Norwich, Bournemouth (L), Bristol Rovers, Reading, Pusan I.cons, QPR, Colchester (L)

Jamie Cureton joined Swindon from QPR where he scored six goals in twenty league starts and he arrives with an

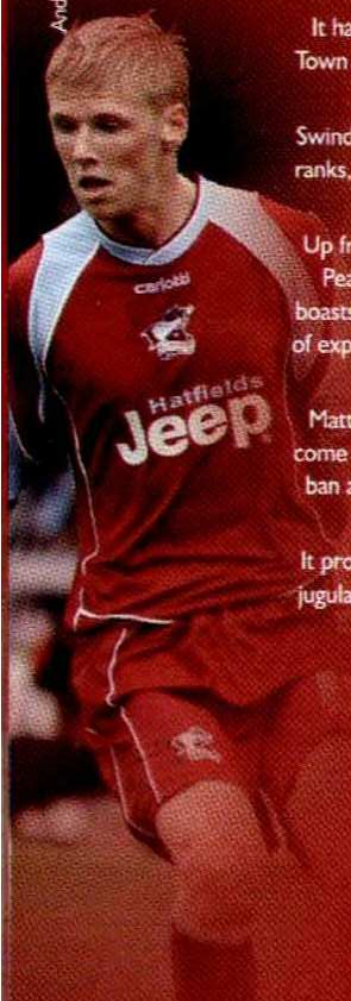
impressive overall goal scoring record of 134 strikes in 274 league starts. A frontman with plenty of pace, Cureton has earned a reputation as sharp-shooter. After completing his traineeship with Norwich City, he returned to his home town of Bristol to team up with then Rovers manager, Ian Holloway, banging in 78 goals in four seasons. In August 2000, Reading captured the services of the talented goal scorer and in three seasons at the Royals, he helped take them to the brink of promotion to the top flight. Eventually Wolves were to stake their claim in the play-off semi final last season, and Cureton was lured to Korea to play for K-League club Pusan I.cons. Despite a lucrative deal, he could not settle in Korea, and sought the counsel of Rangers manager Holloway through a tough settling in period. However, Cureton was keen to return to the competitive pressure of club football in England. After joining QPR February 2004, Cureton turned out in the majority of their games until the end of the 2003-4 season. He then found himself in favour at the start of last season, partnering Paul Furlong up front. A stunning hat-trick against Coventry saw him take home the "man of the match" award as well as the ball. However, after making 46 appearances for Rangers, 30-year old Cureton joined Swindon Town in July 2005 on a two-year deal and has now settled into the side after a fruitful loan spell with Colchester United.



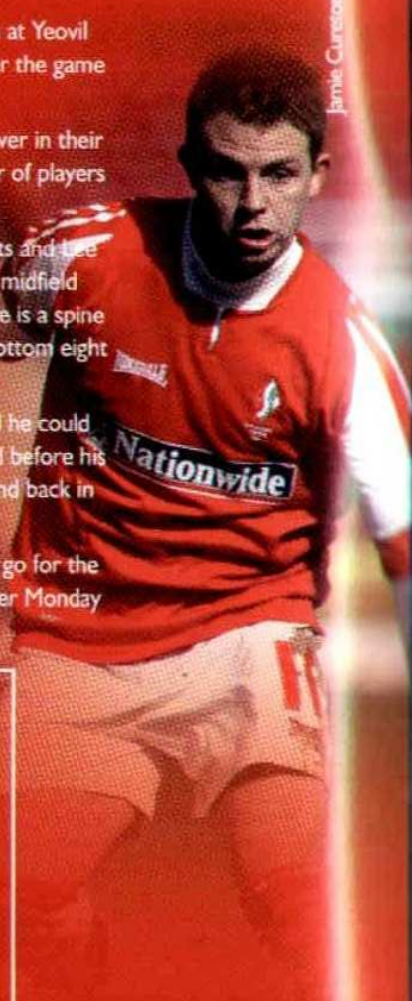
# The Big Match Preview



Andy Keogh



Jamie Cureton



United entertain Swindon Town at Glanford Park for the first time this afternoon and will be hoping that League One safety is all but secured by five o'clock.

It has been a growing theme in recent weeks, and hopefully the Iron will have won at Yeovil Town on Friday night to earn survival and make this game purely academic - however the game is still vital for a number of reasons.

Swindon need the points as badly as Scunthorpe and have quite considerable firepower in their ranks, which makes the writer wonder why this team, which is blessed with a number of players that most other League One sides would love to have, is struggling.

Up front the Robins can call upon Trevor Benjamin, Jamie Cureton, Christian Roberts and Lee Peacock. All four have proved a thorn in the side of United in the past, whilst the midfield boasts the likes of Stefano Miglioranza and Gareth Whalley. Throughout the side there is a spine of experience that suggests they are possibly one of the best equipped sides in the bottom eight to get out of trouble.

Matt Sparrow returns from a two-match suspension for the Iron this afternoon and he could come in on the right side of midfield. He had enjoyed an excellent two month period before his ban and his return boosts Scunthorpe. He netted United's goal at the County Ground back in October when the two teams drew 1-1.

It promises to be an entertaining affair this afternoon and with both sides looking to go for the jugular in the quest for three vital league points - plus, hopefully, a decent-sized Easter Monday crowd - we can enjoy a great game of football.

Iron v Robins (league stats only)

\*all prior to this weekend's fixtures

## Top Scorers:

### Iron

Sharp (19), Keogh (10), Hinds (6), Sparrow (5), Beagrie (5)

### Robins

Cureton (7), O'Hanlon (4), Roberts (4), Peacock (2)

## Current Form:

Iron - W 2 D 2 L 2 | Robins - W 1 D 1 L 3

## Total Goals

Iron: For 63, Against 69 | Robins - For 42, Against 59

## Final Fixtures:

Iron: 22-04-06 - Rotherham United (A), 29-04-06 - Blackpool (H), 06-05-06 - Oldham Athletic (H)

Robins: 22-04-06 - Brentford (H), 29-04-06 - Bristol City (A), 06-05-06 - Huddersfield (H)

## How The Iron lined up last week

		App	Gls
1	P. Musselwhite	32	0
2	N. Stanton	24	0
4	A. Crosby	44	4
20	S. Foster	14	0
30	M. Rose	16	0
15	C. Taylor	49	3
5	R. Hinds	43	7
11	I. Baraclough	40	4
14	P. Beagrie	31	5
19	A. Keogh	47	14
10	S. Torpey	24	1

## Also in contention today:

6	C. Byrne	35	1
7	M. Sparrow	41	5
8	J. Goodwin	15	2
12	R. Ryan	13	1
17	A. Parton	7	0
21	M. Williams	29	0
22	T. Evans	18	0
24	B. Sharp	40	20
26	I. Ehui	3	0

## The Last Time

Saturday, October 22, 2006

Swindon Town (0) 1 Scunthorpe United (1) 1

You have to go back six months for the last fixture between these two teams. It saw United have to make do with a point at the County Ground after ten man Swindon were controversially awarded a late penalty. The opening goal came on 35 minutes when full back Marcus Williams crossed from the left and Sparrow stole in from midfield to fire a smart 15-yard volley past Robins keeper Tom Heaton. Big Swindon striker Rory Fallon (now at Swansea) was sent off for a second bookable offence after he clashed with Richard Hinds for the second time in as many minutes and the referee had no choice but to give him his marching orders. This proved to be the turning point of the match as Swindon began to rally and put pressure on the Iron defence. They were finally rewarded for their endeavour in the 78th minute when Ian Baraclough handled in the box. Former Exeter forward Christian Roberts kept his cool to fire home the penalty and put the Robins level. Shakes went close to winning the game but in the end both teams had to make do with a point.

## How The Robins lined up last week

		App	Gls
1	R. Evans	27	0
3	J. Smith	35	0
6	S. Jenkins	26	1
5	J. Ifil	38	0
17	C. Comyn-Platt		
2	S. O'Hanlon	39	4
25	T. Diagouraga		
7	G. Whalley	23	0
32	A. Brown		
8	T. Benjamin	6	0
11	J. Cureton	26	7

## Also in contention today:

9	L. Peacock	13	5
10	S. Miglioranza	27	1
12	R. Shakes	36	2
13	M. Bulman	1	0
15	A. Nicholas	34	0
18	C. Roberts	25	4
19	M. Pook	32	1
20	P. Smith	7	0
23	C. McPhee	3	0
27	A. Gurney	27	2

# Connections

There are very few connections between Scunthorpe United and Swindon Town, but one name that does stand out is that of **FRANK BURROWS** who joined the Iron as a 21 year old from Raith Rovers in June 1965.



Frank Burrows

He had to wait until the following January before making his debut, but then quickly established his place at the centre of defence making 19 appearances and

scoring his one goal of the campaign in the 2-1 win at Bournemouth. During the 1966-67 season he missed only five league games and formed a regular defensive partnership alongside Keith Burkinshaw, although he did have a spell as a makeshift centre-forward when goals were scarce. He was ever-present throughout 1967-68, scoring twice, but United were relegated to Division Four and Swindon stepped in for his signature to keep him at Third Division level. His first season at the County Ground was an immediate success. He missed just two of the 46 league games as the Robins won promotion and he played in the League Cup Final at Wembley where Arsenal were beaten 3-1. Burrows remained with Swindon for nine seasons, suffering relegation during 1973-74 when he also had a spell on loan at Mansfield which saw him play against Scunthorpe in the April of that season. The Scot called a halt to his playing career at the end of 1976-77 after 297 appearances for the Robins.



Ian Miller

In July 1978, Swindon signed former Doncaster winger **IAN MILLER** who spent three seasons at the County Ground totting up 127 appearances. He then had eight years in the Second Division with Blackburn, playing 268



Keith O'Halloran (left) in action for Swindon against Peterborough in 2001

times, before joining Port Vale in July 1989. A year later Mick Buxton brought the 35 year old to Glanford Park, presumably for his experience, but after starting the season as first choice, he spent most the campaign on the bench. By the summer he had featured in only 12 games and decided to retire from professional football.

Other players to appear for both clubs include **ALAN SPROATES**, a fullback or midfielder, **BOBBY BARNES** and **KEITH O'HALLORAN**. Sproates, a former Sunderland junior, joined Swindon in August 1963 but played just three games over two seasons. He fared better at Darlington, making 315 appearances during his nine years at Feethams until moving to Scunthorpe for the 1974-75 season, but he was in-and-out of a poor United team that finished bottom of the League and he played just 24 games.

Barnes came to the Old Show Ground in November 1985 on loan from West Ham and played six times. He eventually signed for Swindon in October 1987 and scored 13 goals from 45 appearances over two seasons. Midfield man



O'Halloran was on loan to the Iron from Middlesbrough in March 1996 and played seven times. He signed for Swindon in July 2000 taking two seasons to clock up 46 games.



A name from the past is that of **TONY McSHANE**, (left) who was United's manager for the 1958-59 season, the club's first in the old Second Division.

Born in Belfast in February 1927, his Football League career kicked off with Plymouth during 1949-50. A wing-half, he played 85 times for the Devon club and enjoyed their Third Division (South) title-winning season of 1951-52. In June 1955 he joined Swindon, but in two seasons there, the club finished in the bottom two places of Division Three (South) each time. Before taking charge at Scunthorpe he had been manager of Midland League side Goole Town. Upon leaving United he took a job away from football, but returned to the game when becoming boss at Chesterfield from 1962 to 1967.

# The Next Match

Matt Blanchard takes a look at the next two League One fixtures, against Rotherham United and Blackpool.

## Rotherham United v Scunthorpe United

Saturday, 22nd April | Kick-off 3.00pm | Coca-Cola League 1

The Iron travel to Rotherham knowing three points will almost certainly guarantee League One football next year, but with Rotherham scrapping for their lives, it's not going to be easy.

In goal for the Millers will be the much travelled 29-year-old Neil Cutler. Cutler started his career at Chester in 1995, before moving to Premiership side Aston Villa. He then went on loan to Oxford in 2000 before joining Stoke City. He helped the Potters win promotion to the Championship before switching sides again, this time to Swansea. Then he rejoined Stoke and had a spell at Stockport before signing for the Millers.

In defence the Irish right-back David Worrell and centre-backs Shaun Barker and Colin Murdock will be joined by Paul Hurst, who will be slotting into left back.

A midfield quartet of John Mullin, Lee Williamson, Stephen Quinn (who is currently on loan from Sheffield United) and Republic of Ireland star Michael Keane are likely to pose United threats from every angle.

In attack for Rotherham will be Martin Butler, who has netted just seven times this season due to injury. His partner will most likely be Paul Shaw, who has a worse scoring record, only managing three goals so far. Jonathan Forte also gives the Millers another attacking option; he scored for Doncaster against United earlier in the season whilst on loan at Belle Vue.

## Scunthorpe United v Blackpool

Saturday, 29th April | Kick-off 3.00pm | Coca-Cola League 1

The concluding home game of the season brings Blackpool to Glanford Park. The Seasiders are just two places above the drop zone, and will want to pick up points as swiftly as possible to secure their League One status.

The last time the two sides met, Blackpool emerged as 5-2 winners in somewhat controversial fashion, with Iron captain Andy Crosby seeing a red card in the first half for a challenge on John Murphy.

In goal for Pool will be Lee Jones. The Welsh stopper has made 26 appearances so far and at 6ft 3ins, he is Simon Grayson's first choice keeper. Jones is in his third season with Blackpool, and has made 83 appearances in total.

The back four will consist of Marc Joseph, Peter Clarke, Welsh star Robert Edwards and former Leeds defender Jason Wilcox.

In midfield for the Tangerines, Marcus Bean and Keith Southern are joined by Rory Prendergast and Keith Lasley.

Up-front for the Seasiders will be Welsh striker Gareth Williams, who has only netted three times this season, but will be looking to add to that against Scunthorpe. Scotsman Keigan Parker will partner Williams. Parker has so far scored nine goals in total for Blackpool.



## Ticket Information

### Rotherham v Iron

Tickets are now on sale for this fixture from the Glanford Park ticket office. Please note that match day prices are higher than tickets bought in advance.

#### Tickets:

##### Seating (in advance):

Adults: £15.00 | OAP's: £9.00 | Juniors £9.00

##### Seating (match day):

Adults: £17.00 | OAP's: £11.00 | Juniors: £11.00



## Ticket Information

### Iron v Blackpool

Tickets for all areas are now on sale at the ticket office, but admission to all areas except the executive seats may be made at the turnstiles on match day.

#### Ticket prices for this match:

##### Executive Seats:

Adults £25.00 | Concessions £18.00  
Juniors £13.00

##### Scunthorpe Telegraph Stand:

Adults £17.00 | Concessions £10.00

##### Grove Wharf Stand:

Adults £15.00 | Concessions £9.00

##### Study United Stand:

Adults £13.00 | Concessions £8.00  
Juniors £4.00

# Twenty Questions

This week we ask Steve Foster, who has settled in excellently since joining United from Doncaster in January, to answer our twenty questions.

**Q: What is your nickname at the club?**

A: Fozzie

**Q: Which club(s) did you support as a boy?**

A: Mansfield Town

**Q: What do you think are your strengths as a footballer?**

A: Heading

**Q: ... and your weaknesses?**

A: I didn't know I had any!

**Q: Who would you say are your footballing heroes (either current or past players)?**

A: Kenny Dalglish

**Q: What would you say has been the highlight of your football career so far?**

A: Playing at Wembley in the FA Trophy

**Q: And what would you say has been the "lowlight" of your career?**

A: Losing to Northampton in the play-off semi-final second leg 3-0 after winning the first leg 3-1

**Q: What is the best piece of advice that you have been given?**

A: Never come off the pitch knowing you could have done more

**Q: Who is your best mate in football?**

A: Andy Thomson, from my days at Bristol Rovers

**Q: What hobbies do you have (outside of football)?**

A: Horse racing

**Q: What car do you drive?**

A: Vauxhall Corsa

**Q: What is your favourite film?**

A: Football Factory

**Q: Who are your favourite band/artist?**

A: Stone Roses

**Q: What is the first CD you ever bought?**

A: Dexy's Midnight Runners

**Q: Which album are you currently listening to?**

A: Arctic Monkeys

**Q: What is your favourite meal?**

A: Trout and pasta

**Q: What is your favourite TV show?**

A: Deal or no deal

**Q: If you weren't a footballer, what job do you think you would have done?**

A: An accountant

**Q: Who is the toughest player you've ever played against (and why)?**

A: Mark Hughes – I just couldn't get the ball off him!

**Q: Who is the best player you have ever played with?**

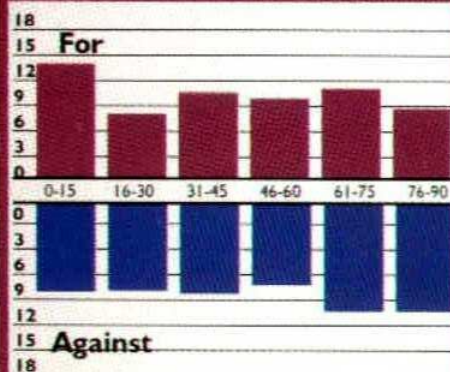
A: Clive Walker



# Scunthorpe v. Swindon



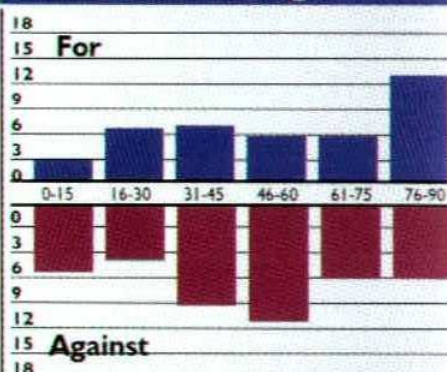
## When for & against



## Where & how scored

18	Close range	17
36	Inside 18yd box	24
9	Outside 18yd box	1
31	Shots	20
16	Headers	14
8	Volleys	4
8	Penalties	3
0	Free Kicks	0
0	Own Goals	1

## When for & against



## Last 6 results

Opponents	H/A	Score
Bournemouth	H	2-2
Bradford	A	2-4
Colchester	H	0-0
Chesterfield	A	2-1
Hartlepool	H	2-0
Southend	A	0-3

## Swings

Won when Behind	4
Drawn when Behind	6
Drawn when Ahead	5
Lost when Ahead	8

## Discipline

Red cards	5
Yellow cards	53
Fouls committed	548
Average per game	13.37

## Set piece goals

Scored from free kick	5
Scored from corner	9
Conc from free kick	13
Conc from corner	2

## Strike ratio

Shots on target	227
Goals scored	63
% shots scored	27.8
Divisional rating	5

## Top scorer

**Billy Sharp**

Goals Scored	19
Games Played	32
Points Won	10

## Seasonal progress comparison



Best winning sequence	2	Best winning sequence	2
Worst losing sequence	5	Worst losing sequence	8

## earlier this season

<b>1-1</b>	
Roberts 78 (pen)	Sparrow 35
Attendance 4,972	Referee Dorr
Heaton, Gurney, Jenkins, Nicholas, O'Hanlon, Pook, McDermott (Comyn-Platt 40), Whalley (Shakes 60), Bouazza, Fallon, Roberts	Musselwhite, Byrne, Williams, Crosby, Hinds, Beagrie (Ryan 89), Sparrow, Baraclough, Till (Taylor 78), Sharp, Keogh
<b>Booked</b> O'Hanlon	<b>Booked</b> Sparrow, Baraclough, Beagrie
<b>Sent Off</b> Fallon	<b>Sent Off</b> none

## Last 6 results

Opponents	H/A	Score
Swansea	A	1-2
Hartlepool	H	1-1
Chesterfield	H	2-0
Colchester	A	0-1
Yeovil	A	0-0
Tranmere	H	1-2

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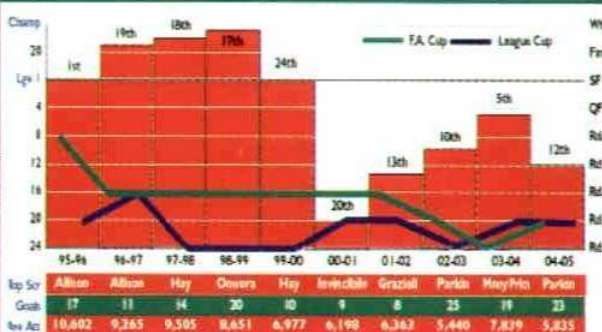
Shots on target	175
Goals scored	41
% shots scored	23.4
Divisional rating	12

## Top scorer

**Jamie Cureton**

Goals Scored	7
Games Played	26
Points Won	6

## Swindon's Last 10 Years



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# From our Correspondent...

There's a new book coming out soon that should interest fans of Scunthorpe United.



It's a biography about the Iron's club record goal scorer Steve Cammack. He reigned supreme at the Old Show Ground from 1979 until 1986 - apart from one season spent down the road at Lincoln City.

Cammy is still the only player ever to score 100 league goals for the Iron and was a larger than life character who served under four different managers.

It was Ron Ashman who first signed him for £25,000 from Chesterfield - as a former England youth international who had played up front in the same side for his country as a young Trevor Francis. But whereas Francis went on to win fame and fortune with Nottingham Forest and England at full international level, Cammack had to plough through the 'real world' of professional football at its lower levels.

The former Sheffield United youngster had a real talent not only for scoring goals, but also making them. I remember one of his old Bramall Lane bosses Ken Furphy once telling me that Cammy was only a whisker away from making the big time himself. He did play in the old First Division for Sheffield before falling out of favour after a change of management.

Not that he always saw eye to eye with his bosses here at Scunthorpe. He had a difficult relationship with John Duncan, the man who laid the foundations for Scunthorpe's promotion success back in 1982/83 before Allan Clarke was brought controversially in towards the end of the season when Duncan himself was axed.

It was during Duncan's reign that Cammy was exiled to Lincoln City where he struggled to make his mark.

He has a good story to tell about how he came to be brought back to the Old Show Ground - as a favourite of the then chairman David Wraith. Wraith was right, Cammy produced the goods and his 25 goals in his first season back steered United to promotion.

Cammy frightened the life out of Leeds United in an epic FA Cup third round struggle which Scunthorpe eventually won 4-2 in a second replay. He then rattled the crossbar in a 1-0 defeat at First Division West Brom in the following round.

Yet though he regularly plundered the goals, until being forced to retire early due to a groin injury, Cammack never got the chance to try his luck again back at a higher level.

His name will live long though in Scunthorpe folklore and his book should prove an interesting read. It has been compiled by Sheffield student Julian MacKenzie - and should be on sale soon. Keep an eye out for it to help while away the summer.

It is not long now before we reach the end of season break. There is just one more home game left after this, against Blackpool a week on Saturday. That will be chance to reflect on what has been a good season for the Iron in League One.

Time too to start thinking of the player of the season. Two young men who will spring to most people's minds will

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inevitably be strikers Billy Sharp and Andy Keogh.

Both have had a fantastic first full season in League football, plundering a bagful of goals.



Billy was on fire early on in the season until his progress was halted by an ankle injury.

Andy too has sparkled alongside him, winning a call-up for the Eire Under-21 squad.

Another big success this season has been the versatile Richard Hinds who joined the club last summer from Hull. He has proved a key man both in defence and midfield - and has also shown a happy knack of coming up with vital goals.

There have been many other plusses this season for United too as they have proved their worth at League One level. It has been much better hasn't it, to have been playing the likes of Huddersfield, Bradford and Rotherham rather than Lincoln, Boston and Co. Promotion twelve months ago was a great step for the club - and they've come a long way since that too.

**Enjoy the game  
Bob Steels**

## On this Day

April 17th has always been a mixed day in the history of the Iron and in recent years there have been some really memorable encounters.

Two years ago United let slip a 2-1 lead, handed to them by an Efe Sodje own goal and Steve MacLean, in the final three minutes to go down 3-2 at Huddersfield Town.

Seven years ago a superb performance by Brian Laws' men saw the Iron gain an invaluable three points on the road to promotion at Hull City. Strikes from Jamie Forrester, Darryn Stamp and John Eyre sealed a 3-2 win.

Whilst eleven years ago United played out a proper Easter entertainer at Lincoln City, where goals from Lee Turnbull, Neil Gregory and Max Nicholson gave Dave Moore's side a share of the spoils at Sincil Bank.

## More results from this day:

1954, Halifax (A)	3-0
1958, Barrow (H)	1-0
1971, Newport (A)	0-1
1976, Bradford (H)	2-0
1982, Port Vale (A)	1-2
1986, Port Vale (H)	1-1
1987, Hartlepool (A)	2-0
1990, Grimsby (H)	1-2
1991, Lincoln City (A)	2-1
1993, Darlington (H)	1-3



Steve MacLean

## Boss backs Billy for Golden Boot

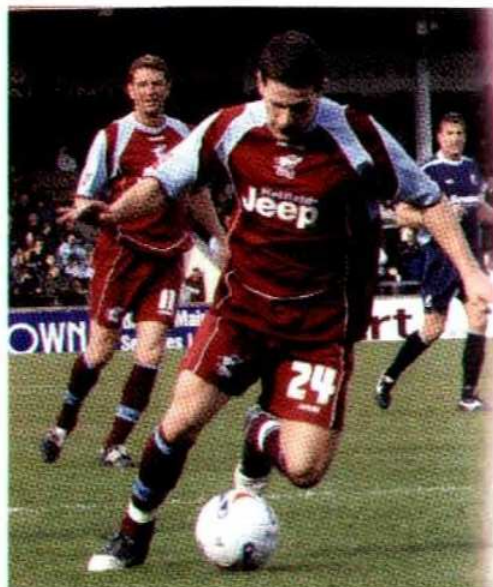
Iron manager Brian Laws has backed top scorer Billy Sharp to get amongst the goals again and finish top scorer in League One.

The forward has just come back from a six-week injury lay-off and made 30 minute appearances in the games with Bradford City and Bournemouth, and has five games left to overtake Lee Trundle, James Hayter and Freddy Eastwood to finish top of the scoring charts.

"Billy was absolutely gutted that he hasn't got a goal, but I'm sure he'll make up for it on Friday against Yeovil," said Laws, speaking on Iron World, referring to Saturday's 2-2 draw with Bournemouth.

"I'm delighted with the way he has performed since he's come back. We've had a plan to see him progress in the right manner and not just throw him in for the sake of it. He's not played any games other than the 30 minutes he had on Saturday and at Bradford and normally you have to play a couple of reserve matches.

"He won't be sticking on that 19 goals for long. He'll definitely get back to scoring goals and hopefully it will be sooner rather than later because when he's scoring, we're winning games."



## Duo ruled out for season

Midfield pair Neil MacKenzie and Ashley Allanson (pictured) will miss the rest of the campaign after picking up injuries in the reserves 2-1 win at Grimsby Town.

MacKenzie will sit out the rest of the season with ankle ligament damage - similar to the injury that team mate Billy Sharp picked up in February.

Boss Brian Laws told the club's website: "It's a blow for Neil and comes at a time when he was getting himself back in the frame."

The 29-year-old initially moved to Glanford Park on loan from League Two side Macclesfield in November, and signed permanently until the end of the season in the January transfer window.

He has since gone on to score two goals for United - including the Coca-Cola league's 2000th goal of the season at Barnsley in December and a scorcher of a strike at Walsall back in February. He had made 16 starts and two substitute appearances.

MacKenzie is also the top scorer for the reserves side this season with three goals. Before joining Scunthorpe he had spells at Stoke, Cambridge, Kidderminster, Blackpool and Mansfield, and has made over 200 league appearances in total.

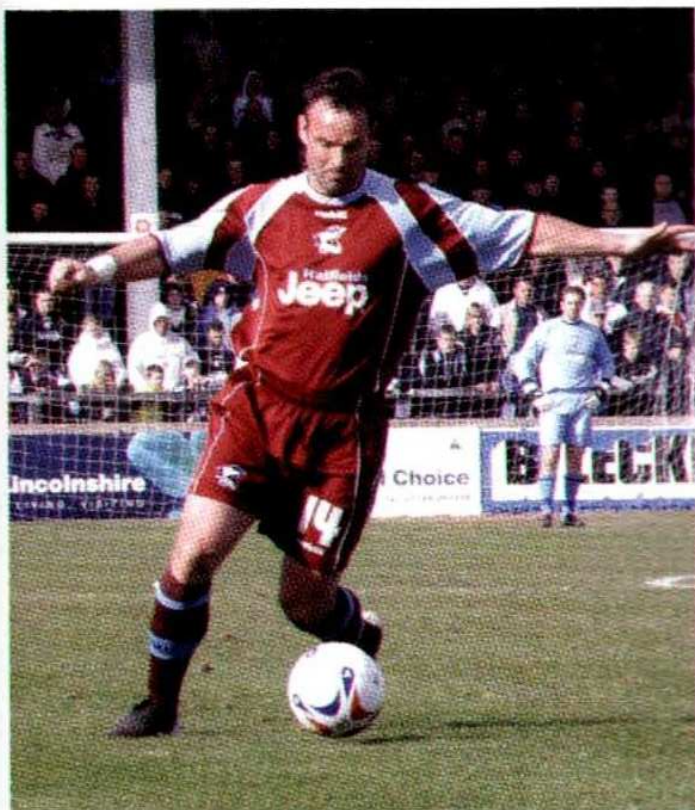
Allanson will miss the remainder of the campaign with a broken cheekbone. He moved to Glanford Park earlier in the season after being released by Championship side, and local rivals, Hull City.

His only first-team appearance was as a late substitute in the 3-1 home defeat to Brentford in November, but he has gone on to appear regularly for the reserves and youth side in a number of different positions.



# Iron News

## Beags tips Shrimpers and Terriers for promotion



Speaking in a one-off column for Sky Sports.com whilst covering for Chris Kamara, Iron winger and football pundit Peter Beagrie has tipped Southend United and Huddersfield Town for the two automatic promotion spots in League One.

The 40-year-old believes the youth in Huddersfield's team can take them all the way to promotion, whilst he feels Freddy Eastwood is the main reason Southend are top of the division.



"At Southend we always knew about Freddy Eastwood and he is a player we at Scunthorpe looked at last year," he said. "A couple of people asked me about him from higher divisions and I said 'snap him up'. He has absolutely everything. We then made a bid for him at Scunthorpe."

Meanwhile, Beags also tips Barnsley, Brentford and Swansea City to take up three out of the four play-off places, and also feels that Nottingham Forest are capable of taking that final play-off

place, he also tips them to succeed in winning promotion to the Championship if they do so.

"When teams get to the playoffs I always go with the bigger clubs - like Sheffield Wednesday and West Ham last year," he added. "Whenever they get to the play-off finals it is the bigger clubs with the bigger support that often tend to well because they are used to the bigger arenas and playing in front of big crowds. I wouldn't back against them."

## News in Brief

- Iron midfielder Richard Hinds is delighted with his recent run of goal scoring form. The former Hull City man has now netted on seven occasions this campaign, the most recent strike being the late equaliser in the last home game here at Glanford Park against Bournemouth. "That's seven now and my best season ever in terms of goals," he told the Scunthorpe Telegraph. "It is down to the fact that I have the chance to go forward. Playing in defence you don't get that chance too often. I'm really pleased to get in there and take a bit of the glory for a change."
- The man of the match winners for the Bournemouth match were Richard Hinds and Steve Foster. Hinds picked up the sponsors award, whilst Foster received the Iron Bar "Man of the Match" award for the second consecutive game. The defender has made a real positive impact at Glanford Park since joining from Doncaster Rovers in January.
- United defender Nathan Stanton has targeted four points from the Easter fixtures to ensure his side's safety in League One. The Iron were hoping for a win at Yeovil Town on Friday night but, if they haven't done already, they know today's match provides them with an ideal chance to secure survival with the visit of struggling Swindon Town. "They will be two tough games as both sides are fighting down at the bottom, but I think we can get four points out of them," Stanton told Iron World.
- Matt Sparrow returns from a two-match ban this afternoon to boost the Iron. He served the suspension after picking up his tenth booking of the season in the game at Bradford City two weeks ago.
- The Football League has launched an innovative new Recycling Appeal that will turn supporters' unwanted goods into much needed funds for their club's Community and Youth Development programmes. Fans of the Iron can support the appeal by donating their old mobile phones (£5 goes towards United) and empty printer cartridges (£1 goes towards United). Supporters wishing to donate can request freepost envelopes by calling 08451 30 20 10 or by visiting [www.recyclingappeal.com/football](http://www.recyclingappeal.com/football).
- Remember, the only way you can see Scunthorpe in action on their Ibiza tour this summer is by booking officially through Playhard Sports. Page eight of the programme contains all the details you need. Currently Carlisle and Stockport County are both taking more supporters to the tournament than us, but you can do something about it. The last ten days has seen a real rise in the number of supporters booking their place on the seven day tour, so don't miss out, come and watch your beloved United in action in Ibiza!



# Match Review

## Bradford City Scunthorpe United

(1) 4

(2) 2



**Date:** Saturday, April 1, 2006 | **Kick-Off:** 15:00 | **Competition:** Coca-Cola League One

A vintage display from forward Dean Windass sank the Iron at Valley Parade as Bradford City scored three times inside six second half minutes

United were leading at half-time, but a resurgent performance from the home side in the second half put paid to the Iron's hopes of earning another vital League One win.

Windass scored the first goal of his hat-trick on seven minutes, curling a 25-yard free kick in off the post. However Scunthorpe were quickly level when Matt Sparrow was felled in the box and Peter Beagrie stepped up to rifle home the resulting spot kick on his return to a club where he enjoyed much success at the turn of the century.

The veteran winger showed more magic fifteen minutes later when he sent in a great cross for Richard Hinds to head home. Bradford didn't look too much of a threat until a double substitution at half-time tipped the game to their advantage.

On came Ben Muirhead, who ran the Iron defence ragged, and the pacy Lewis Emanuel on the other flank set up Dean Windass, who fired the home side level with great precision. Less than a minute later Bradford were ahead when Marc Bridge-Wilkinson swept in a cross from Muirhead to the jubilation of the home support.

It was to get even better for Bradford just minutes later as Windass completed his treble for the afternoon, coolly controlling an Aaron Wilbraham flick on with his chest and firing past Paul Musselwhite. The game was effectively over at that point, but one positive for Scunthorpe was the return of top scorer Billy Sharp as a second half substitute.

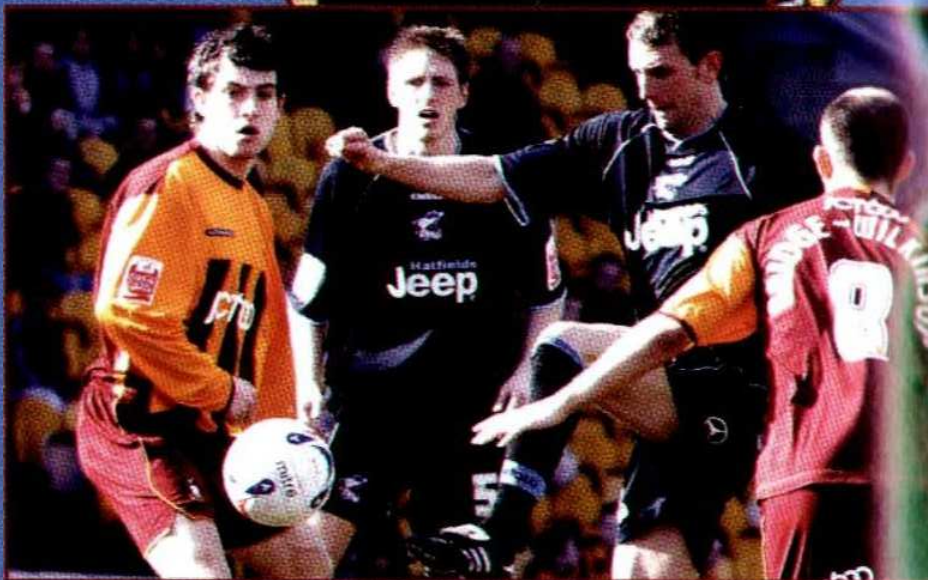
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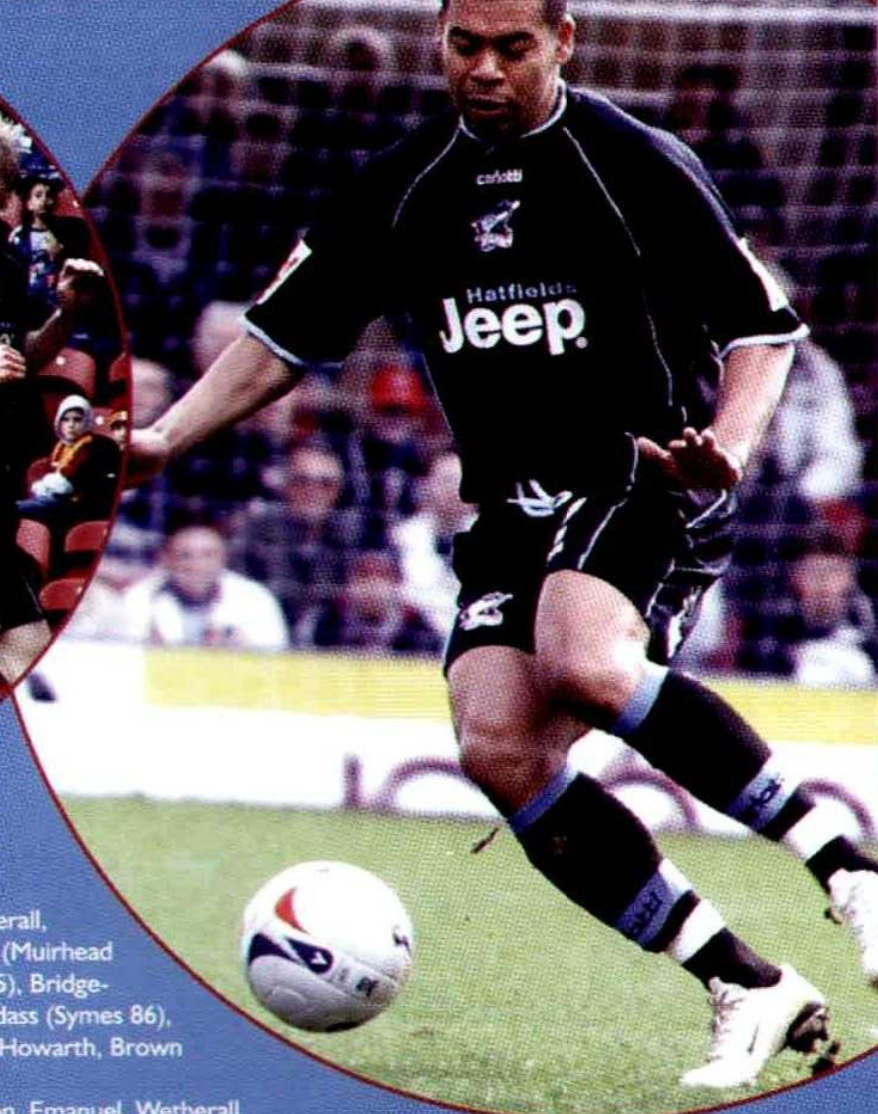
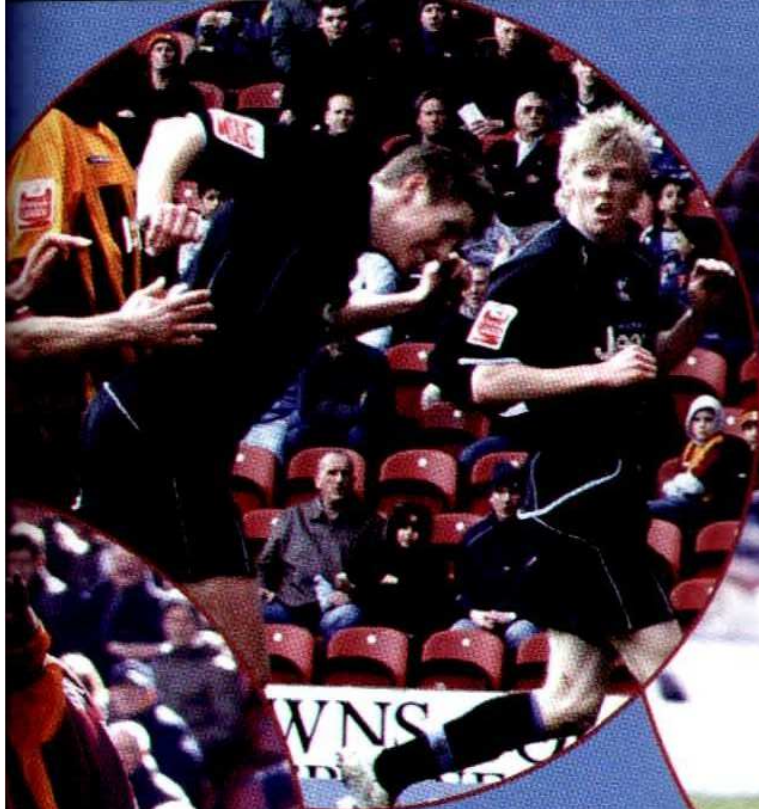
#### Iron manager Brian Laws:

*"We were delighted at half time because we were so much on top and we were very unlucky not to score a third goal, but one minute of madness cost us the game. Especially away from home, we have got to play the game tight. I am more than disappointed with that 15 minute period when Bradford scored their three goals. It was not down to Bradford playing brilliantly - we gave them the opportunity because we dropped off."*

#### Bantams manager Colin Todd:

*"This was a tremendous victory - one we wanted. The game was not about Dean Windass but it was his birthday and he has come up with a hat-trick. That is just what you want."*





### Match Facts:

#### Bradford City

Ricketts, Holloway, Wetherall, Stewart, Bower, Colbeck (Muirhead 45), Kearney (Bentham 45), Bridge-Wilkinson, Emanuel, Windass (Symes 86),  
**Substitutes Not Used:** Howarth, Brown

**Booked:** Bridge-Wilkinson, Emanuel, Wetherall

**Goals:** Windass (7, 54, 60) Bridge-Wilkinson (56)

#### Scunthorpe United

Musselwhite, Stanton, Crosby, Foster, Rose, Sparrow (Taylor 49), Baraclough (MacKenzie 75), Hinds, Beagrie, Torpey (Sharp 65), Keogh  
**Substitutes Not Used:** Byrne, Evans

**Booked:** Sparrow, Torpey, Foster

**Goals:** Beagrie (13 pen) Hinds (29)

**Attendance:** 8,409 (1,169 away)

**Referee:** J. Singh (Middlesex)

### Match Stats:

Bantams		Iron
16	Goal Attempts	5
57	Possession %	43
7	On Target	3
9	Off Target	2
0	Hit Woodwork	0
0	Offsides	5
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# Catching Up...

Have you ever wondered what happened to players who moved on to other clubs once they left Glanford Park?

In this ongoing series, Justin Rayner looks at the fortunes of a few former Iron stars who have been in the news recently.



## Macclesfield Town

Paul Harsley netted the winner for Macclesfield Town earlier this month as the Silkmen beat promotion-chasers Wycombe Wanderers 2-1 at Moss Rose. Paul joined the Iron from local rivals Grimsby Town back in 1999 and spent three seasons at Glanford Park. During Paul's time with the Iron, he made just over 150 appearances for Scunthorpe before moving on to join Halifax Town on a free transfer.

## Kidderminster Harriers



Ex-Iron striker Gareth Sheldon stretched his goal drought to an incredible 21 games last weekend!! Gareth started his career at Glanford Park and left the Iron to join Exeter in 2002. He spent three years with the Grecians before joining the Kidderminster on a free transfer last summer.

## Boston United



Former Scunthorpe United loanee Peter Till scored the winner against the Iron for Boston United in the Lincolnshire Cup final last Monday as the Iron were defeated by a 2-1 score line. Peter, who is currently on loan to Boston from Premiership side Birmingham City, joined the Iron earlier this season and made ten appearances during his time at Glanford Park.

## Hull City

Former Iron defender Andy Dawson made only his fourth appearance of the season for Hull City earlier this month against Sheffield United, as the Tigers were defeated 3-2. The 28-year-old joined the Iron from Nottingham Forest back in 1998 and went on to spend five years at Glanford Park, making over 200 appearances for the Iron.



## Barnsley

It is now nine games since former Iron hotshot Paul Hayes has netted for League One rivals Barnsley. Paul joined the Scunthorpe United from Norwich City in 2002 and went on to make 116 appearances, netting 34 times. Many Iron fans remember Paul for giving Scunthorpe the dream start at Stamford Bridge when they played Chelsea in 2005; unfortunately the Iron went on to lose 3-1.





left - Berkeley Juniors, right - Scawby Juniors, who competed in the final of the BT Community Cup Under-11's on the afternoon of the Bournemouth match



Good afternoon, and I wish a warm welcome to everyone for today's Easter Monday game against the Robins.

First of all, I would like to congratulate Berkeley Junior School on their success in the BT Community Cup Under 11's Competition. They progressed in the competition after beating Scawby Junior School on penalties in the final. The game was evenly contested but after full time, the score line remained at 0 – 0. That meant that the match went to the dreaded penalty shootout, with Berkeley coming out on top, winning 4 – 1

I would like to thank both teams for making it to the final and I am sure that you will all want to join me in wishing good luck to Berkeley Junior School who progress through to the regional finals to represent The Iron at the Aurora in Sheffield.

Good luck to Brian, Russ, Beags and the lads for this afternoon's match. Let's all get behind the team and cheer them on to three points.

Yours in Sport  
Lee Turnbull

## Manchester United Ground Visit

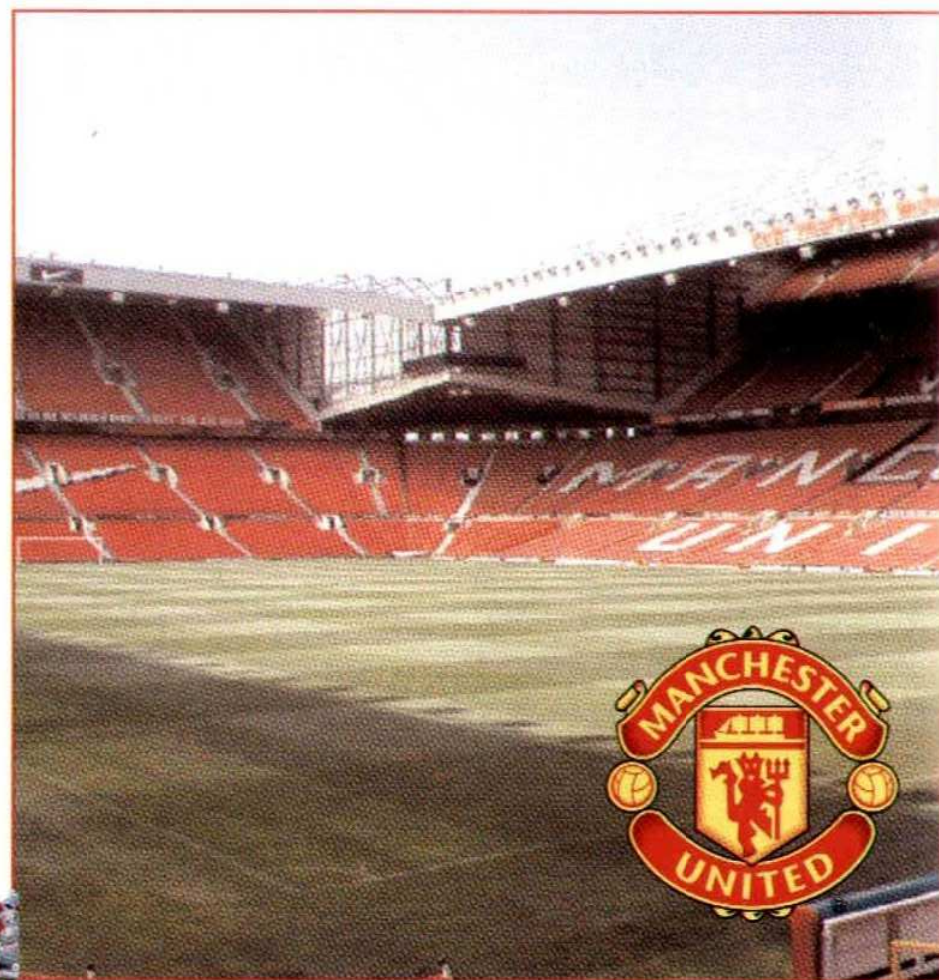
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# Football in the Community



## Level Playing Field 2005-06

It is one special day when a disabled supporters' organisation joins forces with all of the football authorities - and that's exactly what has happened. This combined effort is all about introducing a national disability awareness drive that will grow from season to season and from strength to strength ... hence our 'Level Playing Field' campaign (LPF) for 2006.

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Not so long ago, "disability" was perceived as a "Cinderella" subject, but thanks to the efforts of individual clubs and the DDA, this is no

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longer the case. The 1995 Act, specifically drafted to end discrimination towards disabled people, has been the catalyst for a re-invigorated effort from football authorities and clubs alike to make disabled people integral to the culture unique to this phenomenon that grips us all: football.

The campaign focuses on two main areas:

- Virtually every club now has a "Football in the Community" programme and central to that programme is "inclusion". To the uninitiated, this means attracting disabled people to participate as team members in their own right.
- I don't know of a single club that doesn't have at least one disabled supporter and I don't know of a single club that hasn't provided disabled supporter facilities. However, it's often the case that little is known - by disabled people themselves or fans in general - about the facilities offered.

With this campaign we want to highlight the positive way in which disabled supporters' issues are being addressed. The remainder of this article will illustrate how your own club has engaged with disabled supporters - so keep your eye open for the 2007 campaign update!

Phil Downs, MBE

NADS Chair

16th February 2006

## Scunthorpe Gateway Football Club



The Scunthorpe Gateway Club is a social club for people with learning disabilities. It is run by the Scunthorpe Mencap Society, which has over 120 members.

Members of the Gateway Club wanted their own football team and with Liam Molloy a Gateway volunteer, they started looking for funding. While this was happening, the members began designing a kit and badge and choosing their team colours.

The team were successful in getting an award from the HeartWell Foundation which will buy their kit, equipment and pitch hire fees.

The team players are male and female and having chosen blue and black for their colours, they are here today in their brand new kit; they are now ready to take on other teams from all over the region.

The whole club send a big "thank you" to the HeartWell Foundation for giving them this opportunity and to the Telegraph Sport Extra for sponsoring the club's transport for a year.



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At the same time you can have an excellent "social" week including  
a "One Day 7-a-side Football Tournament" for the supporters too!!



Scunthorpe United will be taking part, along with Stockport County, Carlisle United and a local semi-pro side, all playing for the right to come home crowned as champions. Not only that, but you can get a great tan as well as watching the football!

It may seem a long time until the summer, but this is a great way to indulge in watching three matches in a week as well as having a great holiday.

The tour is organised by Play Hard Sports, a company that specialises in sports tours, and they have brought together a package that gives you a fun-packed week – and the more fans that travel, the cheaper it is for the club! The week starts from only £349 per person – but will the Iron take more fans with them than Stockport or Carlisle? It's up to you.....!

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Remember, the only way you will get to see the matches is to book through Play Hard Sports, and to travel on the Official Supporters Package.

This opportunity will be on a "first-come, first served basis". Places are limited, so if you would like to join your club on this excellent Pre-Season Tour, call: 01943 464297 to reserve your place now.

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# Iron News

## Iron lose out in Cup final

The Iron lost out in the Lincolnshire Senior Cup final at Boston United last Monday, going down 2-1.

First half goals from Danny Thomas and Peter Till were enough for Boston, despite Ritchie Ryan pulling a goal back.

Boston were quick out the blocks and raced into a 2-0 lead inside the opening 22 minutes.

Danny Thomas put the home side ahead on five minutes when he drilled home a 16-yard angled shot past young debutant Josh Lillis after Steve Melton and Till had combined to free the striker down United's left.

Till was on target himself when he fired unmarked past Lillis from David Galbraith's cross after 22 minutes.

The Iron reduced the deficit on 33 minutes when Ritchie Ryan glanced home a header from close-range after Joe Wilcox had whipped over a cross from the right.

In the final moments of the match United hit the bar, but Boston held on to claim their first Lincs Cup victory since 1989. That means that United will have to wait another year to claim their 17th Lincolnshire Cup title.

The home side named seven first-team players in their side, while Cliff Byrne, Andy Parton and Jim Goodwin were the only players in the Iron line-up with senior experience.

**Scunthorpe (4-4-2):** Lillis; Byrne, Robinson, Mazzola, Spillman; J Wilcox, Goodwin, Ryan, Damms (Culshaw 84); Parton, Ehui.

**Substitutes not used:** Smith, Ridley, Kemp (gk).

**Attendance:** 341



## News in Brief

### Win A Player



There is only a week to go to the close of Coca Cola's "Win a player" competition. If you log on to [www.coca-colafootball.co.uk](http://www.coca-colafootball.co.uk) you can cast your vote for the Iron – at the moment, United lie 21st in League One, and 67th in the whole competition with 6,814 votes. The first club drawn out of all the votes cast, which are drawn at random, will win £250,000 – and the person that placed that lucky vote will also win £10,000 for themselves! Why shouldn't that be you? Obviously the more votes that have been made in United's favour, the more the chance of being drawn as one of the winning clubs, but it isn't necessary to have the most votes to win – Brighton won last season and only came seventh!

There are also "consolation" prizes of £50,000 for clubs in the other two Coca Cola divisions.

Just think of who the Iron could afford to bring in with that sort of money to swell the transfer kitty!

### Flashback

Looking back at the relatively short history of this afternoon's fixture, Swindon Town have one more win than the Iron.

This afternoon will be the 27th fixture between the two sides, who last met back in October when a late Christian Roberts strike for the ten man Robins cancelled out a Matt Sparrow opener.

Today will be the first time that the two sides have met at Glanford Park. You have to go back 21 years to find the last time the two sides met in North Lincolnshire. That came at the Old Show Ground on November 9, 1985 when the Robins won 2-0 on their way to the Division Four title. Scunthorpe finished in 15th place that season, but things were different just six months earlier when the Iron claimed a 6-2 win over their visitors.

2,042 spectators saw goals from Steve Cammack, Julian Broddle, Mike Brolly, Dave Hill, Tommy Graham and John Green secured a big victory as United went on to finish 9th in the table – one place, and one point, below Swindon. Totals – Scunthorpe win: 5, Draws: 5, Swindon win: 6

# 12 Ritchie Ryan



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# Waiting in the Wings

Wednesday, 5th April | Kick-off 7pm  
North & Midlands East Conference

## Grimsby Town Scunthorpe United



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Substitute: Wilcox (for MacKenzie, 20), Damms (for Boden, 46), Winn (for Allanson, 75), Lillis, Smith

This game saw our side put in a good performance and result, but the match was marred by two bad injuries.

Firstly, Neil MacKenzie picked up an ankle ligament injury after twenty minutes, as he landed awkwardly after making a challenge. Neil was in a lot of pain and had to be carried from the pitch. Credit must go to Darren Mouatt (the youth team physio) for the calm and efficient way he dealt with the situation. The second was to Ashley Allanson. I brought Ashley off, not due to the injury as it wasn't giving him much cause for concern at the time, but because he looked tired after playing at Scarborough on the Monday after being out for a month with a knee injury. It was only after the game after advice from the physio that he had it checked out at Hull Royal Infirmary only to find he had, in fact, fractured his cheekbone! Both players will now miss the remainder of the season.

We took the lead on thirty minutes; Luke Bowden caught the Grimsby keeper off his line with an excellent lob from 30 yards. We looked comfortable after we had taken the lead, but conceded a goal on the stroke of half time after a left wing corner was floated in and the Grimsby centre half scored with a free header from three yards out.

The second half was an evenly fought contest with Grimsby missing two early chances, but we took the lead ten minutes from the end of the game when Andy Patron side-footed home from twelve yards after a mix up in the Grimsby defence.

We finished our reserve league programme on Wednesday, 12th April 2006 with an away fixture at York City. A tired looking youth team lost 3-0. As we mentioned in some recent programme notes, a lot of the youth team lads have been playing three games a week for the last month. This, of course, is too much football, but with two first team games over the Easter weekend, we have been left with very little choice. The youth team themselves have one fixture left which will have been played by the time you read these notes (vs. Boston United on Easter Saturday morning). They can then have a well earned rest!

I hope that we will have achieved a positive result down at Yeovil Town on Friday evening. A win today against Swindon Town will help to secure our League One status for next season.

A Happy Easter to you all.  
**UP THE IRON  
RUSS**

Reserve Team news  
with Russ Wilcox



Pontins Holidays League  
(East) 2005/06

Wed Aug 17 Hull City H	2-3
Mon Sep 5 Lincoln City H	0-0
Tue Sep 12 Doncaster Rovers A	0-3
Wed Oct 5 Hartlepool United H	0-1
Wed Oct 12 Hartlepool United H	2-0
Tue Nov 1 Nottingham F (Cup 1) A	2-2
Wed Nov 9 Grimsby Town H	0-0
Wed Nov 30 Sheffield Utd (B) H	2-0
Mon Dec 5 Sheffield Wednesday A	0-4
Wed Jan 11 Lincoln City A	0-1
Wed Jan 16 York City H	1-0
Wed Jan 25 Doncaster Rovers H	1-2
Tue Feb 8 Sheffield United (B) A*	1-2
Wed Mar 8 Hartlepool United A	1-5
Wed Mar 15 Scarborough H	1-1
Mon Mar 20 Darlington A	1-2
Wed Mar 22 Hull City A	1-1
Tue Mar 28 Darlington H	3-0
Mon Apr 3 Scarborough A	0-1
Wed Apr 5 Grimsby Town A	2-1
Wed Apr 12 York City A	0-3

\* played at Worksop Town

Pontins Holidays League  
(East) 2005/06

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Doncaster Rovers	14	9	2	3	28	13	15	29
Darlington	18	8	3	7	24	38	-14	27
Lincoln City	16	7	5	4	26	23	3	26
Sheffield United B	14	8	1	5	34	21	13	25
Scarborough	15	7	4	4	27	20	7	25
Hull City	16	6	7	3	26	24	2	25
Hartlepool United	17	7	3	7	30	21	9	24
York City	15	6	2	7	22	22	0	20
<b>Scunthorpe United</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>16</b>
Grimsby Town	16	0	3	13	11	39	-28	3

as at 10th April 2006

# Rotherham United v Scunthorpe United



Millmoor  
Saturday 22nd April  
Kick-off 3.00pm  
Coca Cola League One

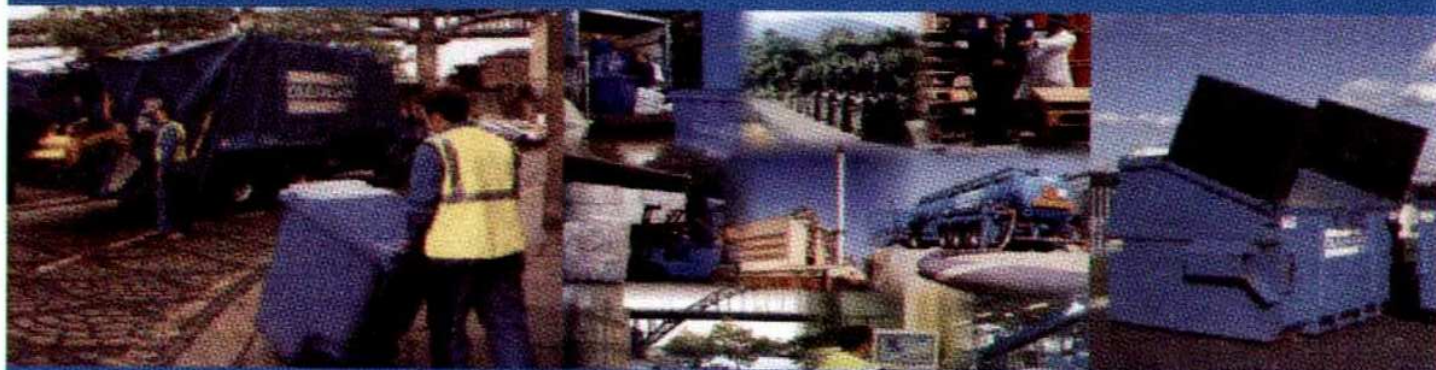
**Fare: £6.00**

Supporters Club members can obtain a discount on travel - see page 39 for details

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Doncaster Road Baths Hall:	12.20pm
Glanford Park:	12.30pm

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## Rotherham United v Scunthorpe United

Saturday, 22nd April, kick-off 3pm  
Millmoor Ground, Rotherham, S60 1HR

Tel: 01709 512434

### Directions

#### By Car:

It is easier to reach Millmoor if you don't come off the M18 at junction 1 (A631) but instead carry onto the M1 (north) and leave at junction 34. Turn right (away from Sheffield), then turn left at the next roundabout (A631). You will reach another roundabout after about half a mile – turn right, and then continue straight on at subsequent roundabouts. You will see notices for away car parking on this road – at this stage you will see a large scrap yard on your left – Millmoor is behind this. Turn left at the next roundabout to get to the ground. The ground will be on your left.

#### By Train:

Rotherham Central station is on the line from Scunthorpe to Sheffield. Turn left out of the station and follow the small blue pedestrian signs to the ground. There are also buses; both the 11 and 12 (heading to Meadowhall) stop outside Millmoor and run every 10 minutes.

#### Parking:

There is a car park at the ground which costs £2 per car, or there is some street parking available further down Masbrough Street (just across the railway bridge). Alternatively, there is an unofficial car park off Main Street (right at the roundabout on the A630 if following the directions above). This is clearly signed, behind the Zone nightclub.

### Ground Information:

Millmoor is an old-fashioned ground, not a stadium by any means. Redevelopment work is underway on the Main Stand, which means that the capacity of the ground is reduced to 7,500. Opposite this, on the Millmoor Lane side of the ground, are three small stands that are a mixture of covered and uncovered seating, whilst the two ends of the ground were terraces that have now been converted to seating.

### What's it like for Visiting Supporters?

The Railway End, behind one goal, has room for up to 2,000 away fans, although your view is likely to be spoilt at some stage by one of the many pillars across the front. The last time the Iron played the Millers in Rotherham, this stand was a terrace but it was converted into seats due to the rule that requires all stadia in the top two divisions to be all-seated.

### Ticket Prices:

Adults: £17

Concessions: £11

Tickets cost £2 less if purchased in advance.

### Food & Drink:

The Butchers Arms, on Midland Road (parallel with Masbrough Street) near the railway line, is usually a friendly pub with a mix of home and away fans. The Tivoli Club at the ground is the Supporters' Club and normally allows away fans in, while the Millmoor Pub on the corner of Millmoor Lane is also popular with visiting supporters.

### The last time:

Back in March 1999, the Iron travelled to Millmoor for a 0-0 draw, which kept Scunthorpe on course for promotion while Rotherham narrowly missed out a repeat fixture in the play-off final when they were beaten on penalties by Leyton Orient after two goalless semi-finals. Both teams have suffered promotion and relegation since then, although United's record of one move in each direction is tame compared to the Millers who won promotion in 2000 and again in 2001. They then spent five seasons in what is now the Championship before being relegated last May. Of the Rotherham team from the 1999 meeting, goalkeeper Mike Pollitt is now with Wigan, whilst winger Chris Sedgwick is a regular at Preston and Leo Fortune-West is still leading the line for Doncaster Rovers.

27/03/99:

<b>Rotherham United</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Scunthorpe</b>	<b>0</b>

Teams:

**Rotherham:** Pollitt, Williams, Beech, Garner (Hudson 68), Varty, Whelan, Sedgwick, Thompson, Fortune-West, Warne, Hurst

**Scunthorpe:** Evans, Witter, Dawson, Logan, Harsley, Hope, Walker, Forrester, Eyre (Sheldon 84), Gayle, Calvo-Garcia

### Recent Record:

There have been some cracking games between the two sides at Millmoor over the past few years. Back in November 1997, two goals from John Eyre and one from Jamie Forrester saw Scunthorpe record a 3-1 win. Two seasons prior to that, the Iron held a 4-1 lead in the first leg of a League Cup tie. However, Rotherham secured a 3-0 win in normal time and went on to win 5-0 after extra time to completely turn around the tie. It was the second 5-0 defeat for Scunthorpe in consecutive trips to Rotherham, following a defeat in March 1992. Earlier in the same season, following a 3-3 draw during normal time, Scunthorpe became the first club in the history of the FA Cup to lose in a penalty shoot-out.

Iron on the Road

# League One Review



It has been a bumper Easter weekend of Coca-Cola League One action for us to enjoy and today sees one of the biggest days of the league football calendar. As the Iron have found in the past, the Easter schedule of games can make or break your season. A lot of issues will be resolved in the division this weekend, as several teams will reach safety (hopefully including the

Iron) and a number of others will realise that things are about to get a lot more difficult. Whilst at the top, dreams can come begin to come true, in particularly at Roots Hall.

That is where we will begin our overview, as we take a look at the movers and shakers at both ends of the division.

## The Promotion Chasers

Southend proudly lead the way in League One at the minute, though Brentford, Colchester, Huddersfield, Swansea City, Barnsley, Oldham and Nottingham Forest are all part of the promotion

### Southend United



Shrimpers skipper Kevin Maher has called for Southend fans to continue to play their part in the club's promotion campaign. Roots Hall boasted a crowd of almost 8,500 for the 2-1 win over Blackpool and Maher believes that kind of atmosphere could prove key as the Shrimpers look to secure Championship football.

"I am sure we will have big crowds for the rest of the matches and they can play a massive part in helping us achieve promotion," he said.

"We have done ever so well at home this season and if we can keep that going for the last few games then that should see us there. But it's no good having matches at home if you're not going to win them."

This afternoon Steve Tilson's side make the tough trip to Oakwell to take on promotion rivals Barnsley.

### Brentford



Bees boss Martin Allen believes a recent run of three straight defeats has made his team stronger. His side recovered from that poor spell in March to collect four points from their next two matches and regain second place in League One. However they drew at home to struggling Bradford last week.

Allen said: "It's been a tough, demanding time. But I said to the players when they were going through it that, once they came out of it, they would be better players and better people for the experience."

### Huddersfield Town



Striker Pawel Abbott has promised to help the Terriers, who travel to Chesterfield tomorrow, win promotion after returning to the first-team squad for the clash with Gillingham.

The 24-year-old played 90 minutes in the reserves' 1-1 draw at Oldham last Wednesday after a month on the sidelines with a back injury and, with four games left, is determined to make a telling contribution.

"If I can produce the form of my first six games in the last six then I'll be very happy, but I don't care who finishes top scorer as long as their goals take us to promotion."

### Nottingham Forest



Joint-caretaker boss Ian McParland has finally revealed his excitement as Forest mount a late push for the League One play-offs. Forest's good run under McParland and fellow caretaker manager Frank Barlow continued as James Perch's goal sank Colchester 1-0 at the City Ground last Saturday - a win which closed the gap to the play-

off spots to just two points.

"I am a little bit excited. I'm sure one or two sides are now looking over their shoulders at us. We've got momentum going at the moment and there is a great resilience among the players to do well," he said.

Forest are at home to Yeovil today and have a good run-in compared to the rest of their play-off rivals.

# The Relegation Battlers

At the time of going to press there were still a number of clubs who could possibly go down, including the Iron, Tranmere, Bournemouth, Yeovil, Blackpool, Rotherham, Hartlepool, Swindon and Walsall.

## Hartlepool United



Pools caretaker manager Paul Stephenson insists confidence remains high within the squad despite the club's lowly league position.

Pools faced Swindon in a crucial six-pointer at the County Ground last weekend, and after that Stephenson is adamant his men will steer

themselves away from trouble.

"Things don't look the best right now, but there's no shortage of confidence or belief in the squad," said Stephenson. "It's been tough with the number of injuries we've had to deal with, but no one has really outplayed us this season. We are getting a lot of the injured players back now and we know we have enough quality in the squad to get ourselves out of this situation."

The Pools travel to MK Dons this afternoon in a real belter of a game down at the bottom of the league. The loser of that one is unlikely to recover as it starts to become a situation of all or nothing at the bottom of League One.

## Milton Keynes Dons



At one point they looked dead and buried, so it's no surprise that Dons manager Danny Wilson could barely conceal his delight after securing a 2-1 win at promotion-chasing Oldham last week.

Wilson said: "Results mean everything to us right now and we showed tremendous character. We battled well and had the desire and commitment that is going to be needed to get us out of trouble."

The Dons face the toughest task of all the sides down at the bottom to secure their

safety, but they should be boosted by recent results. Their defence has tightened up considerably and with strikers of the quality of McLeod and £100,000 buy Scott Taylor a great escape isn't impossible. Beating Hartlepool is imperative to their hopes though.

## Rotherham United



Millers defender Colin Murdock has been disappointed with the club's form since being relegated to League One last season. Rotherham have struggled with problems on and off the field since the turn of the year and face an uphill struggle to avoid a second successive relegation. Murdock said: "With the players we have at the club I think we have under-

achieved this season.

The position we're in doesn't really reflect the way we've played as there's a lot of games where we've outplayed teams but not got results."

The Iron travel to Millmoor to take on their local rivals, managed by former Iron defensive stalwart Alan Knill, on Saturday afternoon. Should the Millers have defeated Brentford at home on Saturday, the great escape could be on, although they face a gruelling trip to Swansea City this afternoon.

## Walsall



Saddlers boss Kevan Broadhurst believes his side have more hard work ahead if they are to return to winning ways.

The Bescot club lie in the lower reaches of League One following a run of just one win in fourteen games and Broadhurst said: "In the latter part of the season,

results can turn on their heads.

"Teams who couldn't get a win at the start of the season sometimes get wins you wouldn't expect them to."

"I think we're a reasonably difficult team to beat - if we don't keep shooting ourselves in the foot - but maybe we have some work to do in terms of winning more games."

Leading the line for the struggling Saddlers is veteran Steve Claridge, and that epitomises how badly things have gone for a club who harboured serious hopes of promotion at the beginning of the season. They travel to Doncaster this afternoon.

## League One's Top Scorers

Freddy Eastwood, Southend Utd (20)

James Hayter, Bournemouth (20)

Lee Trundle, Swansea City (20)

BILLY SHARP, Scunthorpe Utd (19),

Luke Beckett, Oldham (16), Chris Greenacre,

Tranmere Rovers (16), Chris Iwelumo,

Colchester (16), Izale McLeod, MK Dons (16)

# Fizziofeedback

with Nigel Adkins BSc (Hons) MCSP SRP

It was good to see Lee Ridley on the subs bench for the Lincolnshire Senior cup final on Monday night at Boston. Lee has now returned to full training after recovering from his knee operation.

**NEIL MACKENZIE** has damaged his ankle ligaments playing in the reserve fixture at Grimsby. Macca had an X-ray at Grimsby Hospital after the game which revealed that there was no bone damage. It looks like Neil will miss the rest of the season, as it will be between six to eight weeks of rehab before he is fit to play again.

**ASHLEY ALLANSON** fractured his cheekbone in the same game. This will also rule him out for the rest of the campaign. X-rays taken in Hull confirmed the injury and

we await the consultant's decision regarding the need for an operation or not.

**ANDY BUTLER** has stepped up his pitch work activities as he recovers from the cruciate ligament injury in his knee. Andy will not be risked this season. The goal is to make sure he is fully fit when pre-season training starts at the end of June, which will be slightly earlier this season due to the tour to Ibiza. With this in mind, Andy is going to have a week down at Lillleshall National Sports Rehabilitation Centre

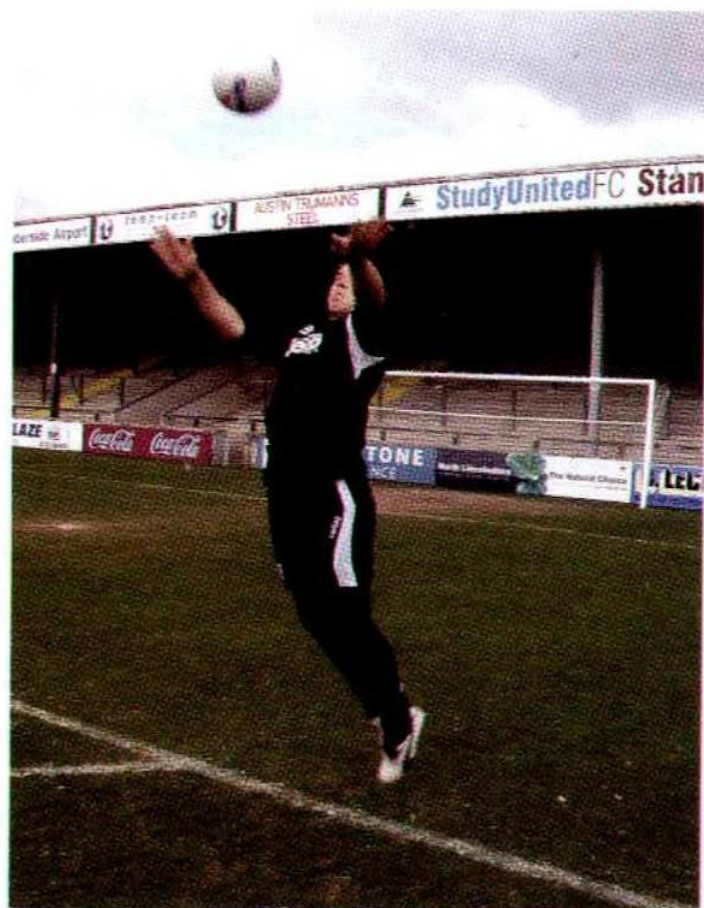
starting on the 24th of this month. He will then have a couple of weeks down there in June to maintain his fitness.

Third year YTS player **DEAN TWIBEY** will join Andy as he recovers from his ACL knee reconstruction. It is planned for Dean to rejoin professional training in pre-season. Dean is working closely with Andy now on a daily basis and he could not wish to have a better role model to work alongside.

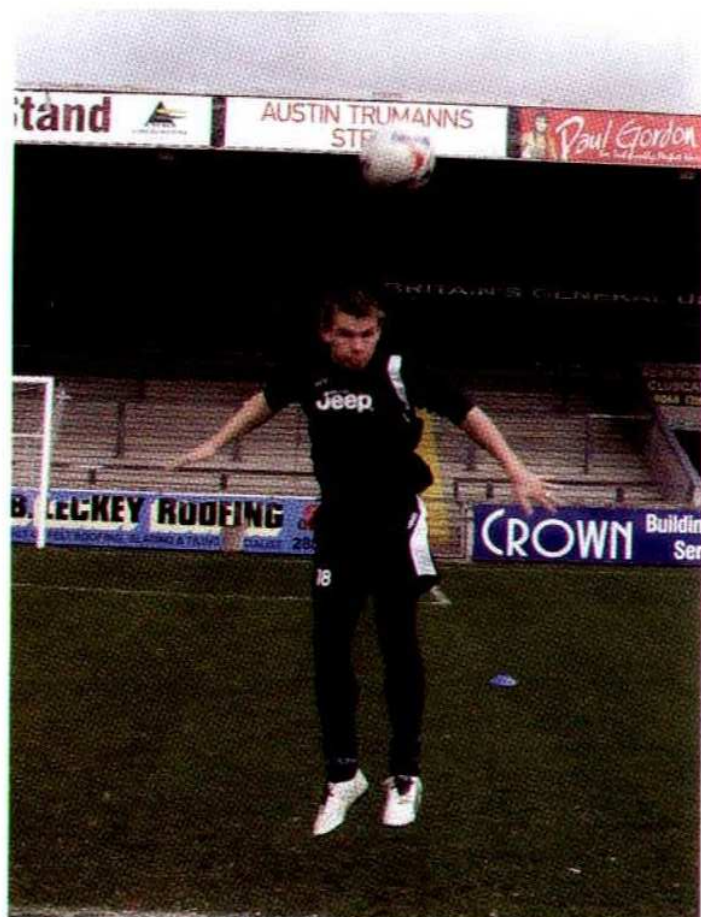


## Thought of the Day:

Things turn out best for those who make the best of the way things turn out.



*Dominating in the air, Andy Butler working on his heading*





# Club Chaplain

with Rev. Alan Wright

Good afternoon, and welcome to you all this Bank Holiday afternoon, especially those who have travelled up from Wiltshire. Wiltshire is a county which has never been a hotbed of sporting activity, Swindon being the only league club, I believe; there is also a minor counties' cricket team.

These notes are penned before the Yeovil game, where hopefully we will have got the points needed to ensure our survival in League One. It is very tight at the bottom, as it is at the top and bottom of all four divisions. As of 9th April, with very few matches to go, only Reading know for certain they have been promoted; even Sunderland are clinging on by their finger-tips, although not for much longer, surely. Chelsea look to have sewn up the Premiership, but there have been slip-ups before. I wonder if Reading will be a "one-season wonder" in the top flight? Today's opponents know what that is like (1993-4), as do Carlisle (1974-5) and Northampton (1965-6). I'm sure there have been others. Reading certainly have the ground and the support; do they have the set-up to succeed?

Carlisle seem to be going great guns in League Two; what price Grimsby joining them (a local derby to look forward to)? Southend have coped well with this division, but will they be able to sustain it in the Championship? It is very congested in the lower reaches of our division, with

all teams taking points from each other – it may well not get fully sorted out until the last weekend of the season. Swindon are precariously placed; let's hope they get the points needed for safety (but not today!).

Thank goodness I didn't have egg (chocolate or otherwise!) on my face, and that Arsenal are through to the semi-finals of the European Cup. I have a feeling they will go all the way and win it – they are certainly coming good at the right time.

The Easter holidays in North Lincolnshire seem very odd this year, as schools return on Wednesday, not giving even a full week after Easter. With three matches to go after today, the end of the season is nigh, then we can all become armchair watchers as the World Cup unfolds.

**Enjoy the game; up the Iron!**

**With best wishes, Rev. Alan.**



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# Junior Iron

Good afternoon everyone, and firstly I'd like to welcome everybody from Swindon Town to this afternoon's game at Glanford Park.

The end of the season is very near, with League One football almost guaranteed for next season. Hopefully we will have a happy Easter with two wins over the Easter programme. I hope that we will already have one win under our belts from Friday night's game at Yeovil, but a draw at Yeovil won't be a bad result.

Hunny Bunny must have been reading the local paper recently, as she came back for the game against Bournemouth. She must have been feeling guilty for abandoning me!

The next event (apart from Scunny matches, of course!) that I am looking forward to the "Mascots Steeplechase" which is being held by the Yorkshire Federation of Young Farmers Clubs at Wetherby Racecourse on Sunday, 30th April. The organisers are hoping to break

the world record for the number of mascots taking part in an organised race – the current record stands at 126. This will be part of a family day held at the racecourse, with other events including a Big Top, musical entertainment, monster trucks and Kiddi Karts.

I hope that Scunny Bunny will be able to join me for the event.

I am pleased to see that a number of people have asked me to attend some events during the summer. If you would like me to come to your event, please contact me by leaving your name and telephone number at the Glanford Park office, and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

**Up the Iron**  
**Scunny Bunny**



## Mascots Corner

We have four mascots for this afternoon's match against Swindon Town. They are Kieran Witty, Charlie Rhodes, Bradley Bailey and Jack Shinns.

Kieran (right) is five years old and goes to Berkley Infants School. He likes watching TV, football and playing on his computer. Kieran's favourite Iron player is Ian Baraclough.

Charlie is nine years old and goes to Lincoln Gardens Junior School. He likes football, cricket and snooker, and Charlie's favourite United player is Cleveland Taylor.



Next up is Bradley, who is also nine years old, and he goes to Parkwood Juniors. Bradley's favourite Scunthorpe player is Billy Sharp, and his hobbies are football and..... football! Bradley plays for Gunness & Crosby.

Finally, Jack (right) is twelve years old and goes to Copley High School. Jack says that his hobbies are football, reading, drama and movies.

We hope that all four of them have a really good afternoon being our mascots, and hopefully they will also see the Iron pick up three valuable points today.



## Last Match Mascots v Bournemouth

Our mascot for our last home game, which was against Bournemouth just over a week ago, was Kyle Ladden. We hope that Kyle had a great day with us, and enjoyed being our mascot. Kyle is pictured here on the pitch before the match.



# Supporters Club News

Contact us by email at [ironsupporters@scunthorpe-united.co.uk](mailto:ironsupporters@scunthorpe-united.co.uk),  
or write to us c/o Glanford Park

with Andy Brown

## What's On

### End of Season Presentation Night

Glanford Park, Wednesday 10th May

Time: 7.30pm to 11.30pm

Tickets: £5.00 each – all welcome

Our end of season presentation night will take place here at Glanford Park in the marquee, and all are welcome to attend. There will be a disco and a pie and pea supper (veggie pies are available, but these must be pre-ordered by 3rd May).

Tickets are available NOW from Supporters Club committee members in the Iron Bar, who will be on hand to sell them to you. Tickets will also be on sale in the club shop – you can also order them by email, and finally they can be bought from stewards on the away coaches.

### Player of the Season

Supporters club members are now invited to vote for their "Player of the Season". Members can vote by email, by post, or by filling in the voting form in the ticket office and the Iron Bar. To register your vote, please put the completed form in the box marked "Supporters Club Player of the Season" next to the club shop door in the ticket office foyer. Please include your full name and Iron Club or season ticket number when voting. The Junior Irons can vote for their own "Player of the Season". Votes need to be in by the 3rd May. Please remember - only one vote per member.

### Away Travel

The Supporters Club will be discounting the away coaches to Rotherham by £2.00 a member, which will make the cost of the coach only £3.50 per member. To obtain this discount, please present your season ticket or Iron Club book with you when booking your place on the coach.

Good afternoon and welcome to everyone for this Coca Cola League One fixture against Swindon. This will be Swindon's first ever visit to Glanford Park and their first visit to Scunthorpe since the 1985-86 season, when they were run-away Division Four champions. With both teams requiring the points to ensure playing in League One next season, it should be an intriguing footballing encounter this afternoon.

### Quiz Night

The Paul Richardson Memorial Quiz night took place in the Iron Bary last Monday. There was a healthy attendance, with thirteen teams taking part: Up the Iron, High & Mighty, Jerry's Honeys, Eds Tours, Broughton Town, Iron's Best, River Don, Connoisseurs, Red Rum Rules, Messingham Iron, Generation Gap, Brainstromers, Sharp Shooters.

The quiz winners on the night were last year's winners River Don. The raffle winners were Helen Blackwell, David Robinson, Glen Sands, Pearl Chesterton, Steve Murphy, and Alan Woodcock.

The night raised a total of £175, which will go to the club's youth academy.

We would like to thank John and Christine Staff for all the hard work they have put in to make the quiz another successful night.



The winning Quiz Night team "River Don" receiving their trophy from Julie Richardson and quiz night host John Staff



The winning Quiz Night captain receiving the trophy from Julie Richardson

### Race Night

The race night last Friday at the Ashby Constitutional Club was a great success. A clear profit of £883 was made after all expenses had been paid. The event was held jointly with the Scunthorpe United Disabled Society, so both sections funds are now better off to the tune of £441.50p. We would to thank Wilson's Carpets of High Street East, Scunthorpe for their sponsorship of the evening and to all those who also gave generous donations of wine, spirits, Easter Eggs and numerous other gifts. We auctioned off the match ball from the MK Dons game (which the official supporters were match ball sponsors) for the last race, and this raised £213.50p.

### Crossbar Challenge

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The crossbar challenge contestants at the Bournemouth match were James Truman and Harry James. They all failed to hit the target, so the prize for today's game is now up to £75. The lucky contestants who get drawn out to have a shot at the bar in the cross bar challenge will now also receive one of the new Iron Supporters Club and England wrist bands, which are also available to purchase at £2 each from any committee member. I would like to wish the best of luck to all of you who keep entering week in, week out.

# Match Sponsors



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**Ball:** Coors Brewers Ltd



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**Ball:** Tebway Ltd., AMS No Dig Ltd, G. Mill, A. Williamson



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**Match:** Henderson Insurance

**Ball:** Barclays Bank plc., BW Shrimpton Ltd.



**Doncaster Rovers Saturday, 21st January**

**Match:** Henderson Insurance

**Ball:** AMS No Dig Ltd., NXI UK Ltd.



**Milton Keynes Dons Saturday, 4th February**

**Match:** SUOSC

**Ball:** SUOSC, Cleanaway



**Bristol City Tuesday, 14th February**

**Match:** Britcon Ltd

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**Swansea City Saturday, 18th February**

**Match:** Signode Metals

**Ball:** Humber Inspection Services, BW Shrimpton Ltd.



**Hartlepool United Saturday, 4th March**

**Match:** Coors Brewers Ltd.

**Ball:** Versuvius UK Ltd, AMS No Dig Ltd., Multiserv



**Colchester United Saturday, 25th March**

**Match:** Russell Giles & Guests

**Ball:** Hopkins & Conroy



**AFC Bournemouth Saturday, 8th April**

**Match:** XBG Scunthorpe Ltd

**Ball:** Edmundson Electrical Ltd



**Swindon Town Monday, 17th April**

**Match:** BW Shrimpton Ltd.

**Ball:** Trent Valley Electrical, Fireplace & Timber



**Blackpool Saturday, 29th April**

**Match:** MFM, Excell Sport

**Ball:** Lee Collinson, Loxam Access

# Commercial Break

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's penultimate home game of the 2005/06 season. I would like to welcome our match sponsors to Glanford Park, BW Shrimpton Ltd., who have also been kind enough to sponsor match balls earlier in the

season. Our match ball sponsors this afternoon are Trent Valley Electrical. We thank both sponsors very much for their support of Scunthorpe United.

Our match sponsors for our last home game, against Bournemouth, were XBG Scunthorpe Ltd., and the match ball sponsors were Edmunson Electrical Ltd. We hope that they enjoyed their afternoon with us, and we are happy to include photographs of their

presentations taken at the game.

We were not able to include photographs of our sponsors from the Colchester United game in the last programme. They are included in this afternoon's programme – the match sponsors were Russell Giles & guests, and the match ball sponsors were Hopkins & Conroy.

We thank all of them for their sponsorship; we hope they enjoyed their time with us, and we hope that we will see them again next season.

**Michelle Harness**  
Commercial Manager

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Colchester match sponsor Russell Giles presents Matt Sparrow with his Man of the Match award

Bournemouth sponsors:



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XBG Scunthorpe Ltd make their "Man of the Match" award to Richard Hinds after the Bournemouth match

# Match Review

**Scunthorpe United**  
**AFC Bournemouth**

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**Date:** Saturday, April 8th, 2006 | **Kick-Off:** 15:00 | **Competition:** Coca-Cola League One

A late leveller from Richard Hinds handed United a vital point at home to struggling Bournemouth in our last fixture at Glanford Park.

The Iron had started like a house on fire and Steve Torpey went close with a drive on six minutes which Gareth Stewart, who was a thorn in Scunthorpe's side all afternoon, saved well. United didn't have to wait long to open the scoring though, as Steve Torpey capitalised on indecision in the Bournemouth defence and, as a result, was brought down by Cherries defender Eddie Howe. Up stepped Peter Beagrie to rifle home his second penalty within a week.

However Scunthorpe failed to build on the early breakthrough and the visitors began to get a grip on the game, showing some fine passing football - though at times they were guilty of overplaying. However target man Steve Fletcher went close before they eventually equalised through James Hayter.

A curling cross from Steven Foley reached the head of Bournemouth's top scorer six yards from goal, he then diverted the ball past Musselwhite into his top left-hand corner. It was his 19th goal of the season and the fourth consecutive game in which he has netted against the Iron.

United upped the pace in the second half and went close through Beagrie and Baraclough before Bournemouth took a shock lead. James O'Connor, who hit the post minutes earlier, let fly with his left foot to guide an unstoppable 25-yard strike into Paul Musselwhite's top right-hand corner.

The home side came back fighting though and, with more purpose to their play and more of a direct threat, they went close through Torpey (who hit the bar), Andy Crosby, Andy Keogh and Billy Sharp who all had goal bound efforts blocked before Hinds struck gold on 84 minutes. He turned on the edge of the box to guide the ball past Stewart and notch his seventh goal of the season.

What the bosses said:

**Iron manager Brian Laws:**

*"I'm very disappointed not to have collected three points, but it was nevertheless a good point. Bournemouth are a good side, they have some players who are very comfortable on the ball and in the first half we got a chasing around, we were getting over-run. Their goalkeeper has pulled off two stunning saves and I thought we did enough in the last half hour to win the game."*

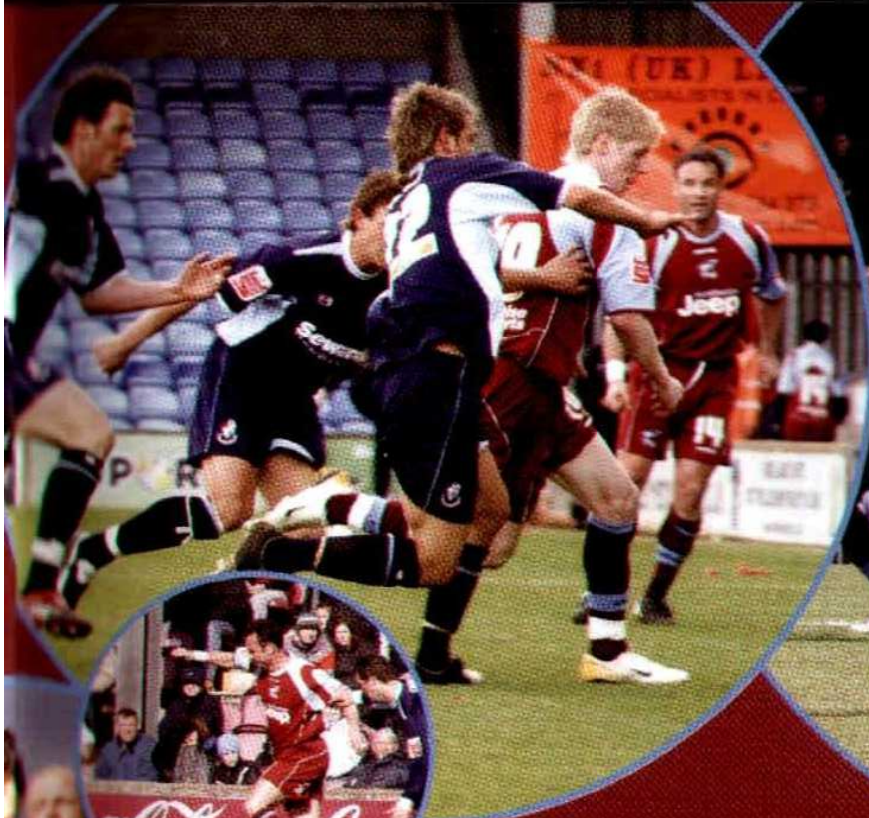
**Cherries manager**

**Sean O'Driscoll:**

*"I thought at times we were excellent and if we'd gone on to get a second or third goal quickly we could have relaxed - but we were never able to do that. We dominated the first half after Hayter's goal after giving the ball away early on, but Scunthorpe gambled late on and it paid off. On the whole a draw was a fair result."*

 **Coca-Cola LEAGUE 1**





### Match Facts:

#### Scunthorpe United:

Musselwhite, Stanton (Byrne 69), Crosby, Foster, Rose, Taylor (Sharp 60), Hinds, Baraclough, Beagrie (Ryan 69), Torpey, Keogh

**Substitutes not used:** Evans, Goodwin.

**Goals:** Beagrie (12 pen), Hinds (84)

#### AFC Bournemouth:

Stewart, O'Connor, Cooper, Young, Howe, Purches (Hart 90), Cooke (Rix 78), Foley, Browning, Hayter, Fletcher

**Substitutes not used:** Pitman, Tindall, Broadhurst

**Booked:** O'Connor

**Goals:** Hayter (33), O'Connor (63)

**Attendance:** 4,136

**Referee:** K Friend (Leicestershire)

### Match Stats

Iron		Cherries
12	Goal Attempts	9
56	Possession %	44
9	On Target	5
2	Off Target	3
1	Hit Woodwork	1
3	Offsides	1
8	Corners	10
15	Fouls	8
Torpey (4)	Most Fouls	Howe (3)



# PRESENTATION NIGHT



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# Fanfare



Ian Tremayne lives at Harlow in Essex where he is planning consultant and director of Latton Planning Services Limited.

"Scunthorpe is where I was brought up and, although I live down south, I still consider it home. There is a United pennant in my youngest son Liam's bedroom window. Although he was born in Essex he is a big Iron fan, as is my other son Calum, and every time I see the pennant it makes me proud of the Iron and them.

I've supported the Iron for forty years and last season I got to about ten home games and twelve aways. I am fairly sure that my first game was at home to Swansea in April 1966 on Ray Clemence's debut and we drew 1-1. My first away game was the following season at Grimsby and we got smacked 7-1!"

So which players stick in the memory from the last forty years?

"Kevin Keegan, not just because he was a great player but a thoroughly nice bloke. He actually introduced me to Bill Shankly when he had just gone to Liverpool. Amongst the current squad, it's very difficult as I think we have some really good players at present, possibly the best we have had for a long time. I think the best footballer we have, with the exception of Peter Beagrie and you can't vote for a 40 year old, is Andy Keogh. Amongst the more amusing memories is watching Angus Davidson play in a night game and getting back to the Desert Rat after it, only to see him already propping the bar up!

I have been involved in the Scunthorpe United London and South East Supporters Club for sixteen years, currently as its Chairman. Our aim is to try to get people supporting and travelling to watch United and to raise a few quid for the club. We

sponsored the Yeovil game this season. We have 97 members at present - 80% are from London and the south-east although we do have members in Singapore, Canada, USA and Australia. The main benefit is keeping in touch with like-minded fools who love United. We have close links with the football club itself and are in touch with Irish Iron regularly. We are hoping all the external supporters clubs will be meeting for a pint in The Honest Lawyer after the last home game against Blackpool."

Next I ask Ian what, if anything, he would like to see change at SUFC. "I think the players and management could communicate and mix much more with the fans and make us feel a bit more valued. And then give Glanford Park some character and better bar facilities.

After the Iron, I have always looked for Liverpool's result second. Originally I think it was because, when I was really little, everything Merseyside was trendy and then it was reinforced with both Ray Clemence and Kevin Keegan going there, not forgetting Richard Money. One of my best memories is being at Wembley to see Kenny Dalglish score the winning goal in the European Cup Final against Bruges."

Finally, today's game brings back mixed memories for Ian: "I can recall travelling down there on an old Lincs. Road Car bus for the fifth round in 1970, to see us lose 3-1 in the FA cup on a glue pot that should never have had football played on it. But today I am hopeful for a 3-1 win."

## Fan Fact File

Name:

Ian Tremayne

Best past Iron player:

Kevin Keegan

Best current Iron player:

Andy Keogh

First home game:

Swansea (home), April 1966



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# Shot Stoppers

with Nigel Adkins BSc (Hons) MCSP SRP

Congratulations to Joshua Lillis who has been rewarded for all his hard work with a professional contract for next season. Josh is at the end of his three-year YTS scheme and I am delighted for him to be offered professional terms. I have mentioned his progress on several occasions over the seasons in the Shotstopper programme notes, and it is pleasing that all that hard work has seen him develop to a level worthy of a professional status.

Joshua's main attributes include his kicking ability, which I stated last season was the best of the five keepers we had at the club. There was always a question mark when he was younger as to his height. We had confidence that he would grow, especially as his father and former assistant manager at the club, Mark Lillis, is tall - as is Josh's brother and sister. Josh has developed a good frame and a presence for a goalkeeper. His confidence has developed over the years, as it was always going to be difficult for Josh being the youngest of the year, having his birthday in June.

I asked the question in Talking Point on one of the Shotstopper programmes not so long ago as to whether it is easier for an outfield YTS player to be taken on compared to a goalkeeper. The manager's priority is to have a squad of players available to fill the places of the first team. The manager has shown his confidence in Josh by rewarding him with a contract. It was good to see Josh respond to this confidence by putting in a commanding performance display in the Lincolnshire Senior cup final at Boston last Monday night.



Josh working on his physical development over the three years YTS scheme



Josh working on his handling and footwork technique





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## 18. Andy Butler

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Socks: Irish Iron  
Away Shirt: Irish Iron



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Shorts: Jamie & Michael Hickson  
Socks: An Exiled Supporter  
Away Shirt: David Empson



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Shorts: Nicole Hind  
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Socks: T. Sumpter  
Away Shirt: T. Sumpter



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Socks: SUOSC  
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Home Shirt: IA Hewitt Photography  
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Socks: Trent Valley Electrical Services  
Away Shirt: Trent Valley Electrical Services



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Home Shirt: Humberside Optical Services  
Shorts: Humberside Optical Services  
Socks: Humberside Optical Services  
Away Shirt: Football in the Community



## 8. Jim Goodwin

Home Shirt: Irish Iron  
Shorts: Irish Iron  
Socks: Irish Iron  
Away Shirt: Irish Iron



## 11. Ian Baraclough

Home Shirt: Joseph Marshall  
Shorts: Joseph Marshall  
Socks: Joseph Marshall  
Away Shirt: Ashley Godson



## 12. Richard Ryan

Home Shirt: Irish Iron  
Shorts: Irish Iron  
Socks: Irish Iron  
Away Shirt: Irish Iron



## 16. Wayne Corden

Home Shirt: MFM Developments Ltd  
Shorts: MFM Developments Ltd  
Socks: MFM Developments Ltd  
Away Shirt: Irish Iron



## 17. Andy Parton

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Shorts: Trent Valley Electrical Services  
Socks: Trent Valley Electrical Services  
Away Shirt: Trent Valley Electrical Services



## 20. Steve Foster

Home Shirt: Graham Godson  
Shorts: SUOSC  
Socks: SUOSC  
Away Shirt: SUOSC



## 21. Marcus Williams

Home Shirt: Angela & William Wharton  
Shorts: SUOSC  
Socks: SUOSC  
Away Shirt: SUOSC



## 27. Neil MacKenzie

Home Shirt: SUOSC  
Shorts: Connor Davidson-Scott  
Socks: SUOSC  
Away Shirt: SUOSC



## Brian Laws

Home Shirt: Joshua/Matthew Bashley  
Shorts: SUOSC  
Socks: SUOSC  
Away Shirt: SUOSC



## Tony Daws

Home Shirt: SUOSC  
Shorts: SUOSC  
Socks: SUOSC  
Away Shirt: SUOSC



## Player/Staff Sponsorship Costs

Home Shirt: £70.00 + VAT  
Shorts: £35.00 + VAT  
Socks: £20.00 + VAT  
Away Shirt: £70.00 + VAT  
Full Staff Kit: £125.00 + VAT

# The History of Football

By John Staff

## 1977/78

### Forest rival Liverpool's dominance

Those of us old enough to have enjoyed watching Jimmy Greaves in his prime may be surprised to learn that he was sometimes a naughty boy. However, in the twilight of his career as a player in the Eastern League, he was part of a needle match between Barnet and Chelmsford. Unfortunately, Mr Greaves fell foul of the referee and was invited to test the temperature of the bath water before quarter to five. He stoutly refused to leave the park and so the referee blew abandoned the match. Jim was found guilty of bringing the game into disrepute and banned for four games.

Meanwhile, one of the country's top goalkeepers, Pat Jennings, decided to quit his post (or posts) at Tottenham and move to neighbours Arsenal.

danced round his Brazilian defence to score for the Americans. Then at half time, he swapped round and wore the number ten with pride for his beloved Santos.

Another famous name was back in harness for the 1977/78 season. England's 1966 World Cup winning manager, Alf Ramsey, took charge of Birmingham City in a caretaker capacity and eased them to a comfortable mid-table cushion. However, he resigned after the City board put their jewel in the crown, Trevor Francis, on the transfer list.

The 1977/78 season was to be dominated, in the main, by two clubs - the red of Liverpool versus the red of Nottingham Forest.

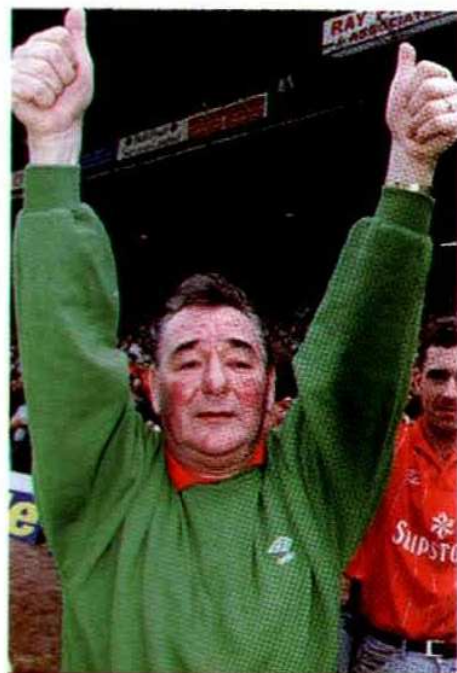
Liverpool had ruled the roost for a



Pat Jennings

Another farewell came in 1977 when Pele, the Black Pearl, another gentleman of the game, decided to call it a day. His swansong came before 70,000 spectators when his old club, Santos, met his last club, New York Cosmos. In the first half, this wizard of soccer

decade or more, but unfashionable Nottingham Forest and their brash manager Brian Clough were out to show the football world a thing or two. Brian Clough's achievement at Nottingham Forest was incredible. He inherited a poor side and immediately

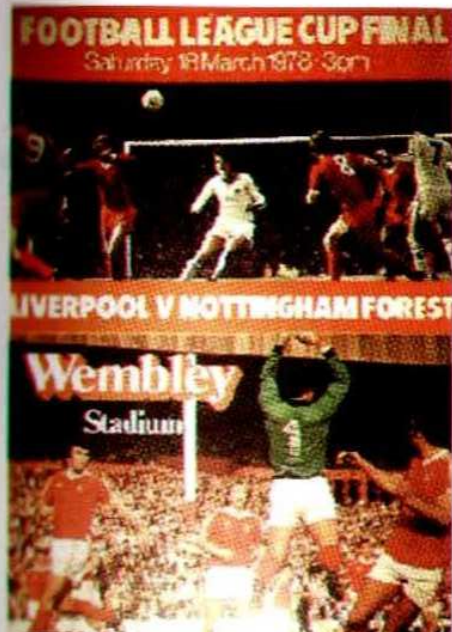


Brian Clough

won promotion back to the First Division. Within two short years, the club that crawled out of the Second Division in third place was now confident to take on all comers, and in the 1977/78 season, they swept all before them.

Forest would go on to top the league by seven points, well ahead of Liverpool in the runners-up place, themselves a brilliant eleven. Perhaps the best example of Forest's superiority came on "Match of the Day" when they went to Old Trafford and ripped United to shreds. A crowd of 54,375 watched open mouthed as Forest cruised to a 4-0 victory, thus completing the league double.

Liverpool, on the other hand, were the reigning league champions, and drew both league fixtures with Clough's men. However, the two teams also met in the Football League Cup final. A goalless Wembley final was followed by a replay at Old Trafford, with a penalty, converted by John Robertson, deciding



the tie. However, despite the foul being one described as "professional", it was proved by television replays to have taken place outside of the box. Perhaps there had been some kind of poetic justice.

Liverpool were hoping for another season of success in Europe as they competed in the European Cup as reigning champions. Liverpool entered the cup at the second round stage, and promptly crushed Dynamo Dresden 6-3 on aggregate.

At the quarter final stage, Liverpool had a much tougher task when drawn to play the mighty Benfica, but the Reds had little respect for past tradition, winning 6-2 on aggregate.

Liverpool faced Borussia Moenchengladbach in the semi final. The Germans won 2-1 in their home leg – but a one goal advantage was not going to be enough against Liverpool. At Anfield, another carnival night saw Liverpool dominate the game and win 3-0 through goals by Kennedy, Dalglish and Case.

The European Cup final was like a home game to the Pool, because Wembley had been selected to stage the showcase game. In the other semi-final, FC Brugge had surprised a lot of the pundits by beating Juventus 2-1 on aggregate, but they were expected to go down in the final. On May 10th 1978, 92,000 packed the north west London arena and sat back to watch the inevitable. Liverpool won by a narrower margin than many anticipated, with a 1-0 victory achieved thanks to Kenny Dalglish's strike.



Kenny Dalglish chips the Bruges keeper to score the winner the European Cup Final

The remaining climax to the season was the FA Cup final, which actually was staged four days before its European counterpart. This time the contestants were Arsenal, no strangers to winning the Bradford made trophy, and Ipswich Town, in the final for the first time. Although the match had little in the way of goals, it was a showpiece to savour for the fans, many in short sleeves taking in the rays of the warm shafts of sunlight. Finally, deadlock was broken by a goal from Roger Osborne, but the excitement of scoring the only goal drained him, and he had to be substituted. After ninety minutes it was the Ipswich supporters who celebrated the moment as their team put its name on the FA Cup for the first time.

All that remains is for us to congratulate Bolton Wanderers, champions of Division Two, Southampton and Tottenham who also won promotion from that league. They were promoted to Division One to take the place of the relegated West Ham, Newcastle and Leicester. In Division Three, Wrexham topped the pile, and in Division Four, Watford, with Elton John in the boardroom, won the basement league championship. As a footnote, there was joy for supporters of Wigan Athletic who gained entry to the league at the expense of Southport after a second ballot gave them victory by 29 votes to 20.



Roger Osborne (centre) celebrates after scoring the only goal of the FA Cup Final for Ipswich

# Fixtures & Stats 2005/06

Key:

 Started the Game	 Booked	 Subbed
 Playing Sub	 Sent Off	 Scored
 Non Playing Sub		(Goals Scored)



## Coca-Cola League One Table 2005/06

	Home					Away					-/+ Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	
1 Southend	41	12	6	2	36	14	10	5	6	31	23	30 77
2 Brentford	41	10	6	5	33	21	9	6	5	30	24	18 69
3 Colchester	41	13	4	4	36	21	6	7	7	15	16	14 68
4 Huddersfield	41	13	6	2	38	21	5	8	7	28	32	13 68
5 Swansea	41	11	8	2	40	19	6	7	7	31	30	22 66
6 Barnsley	41	11	9	1	35	17	5	6	9	19	23	14 63
7 Oldham	41	12	2	6	30	19	6	7	8	25	33	3 63
8 Nottm Forest	41	13	4	4	37	13	4	6	10	23	33	14 61
9 Doncaster	41	9	6	6	28	19	7	3	10	21	30	0 57
10 Bristol City	41	10	6	5	35	20	5	4	11	23	38	0 55
11 Port Vale	41	9	4	8	27	25	6	5	9	17	25	-6 54
12 Bradford	41	6	8	6	24	23	6	9	6	22	22	1 53
13 Gillingham	41	12	4	5	29	19	2	7	11	12	36	-14 53
14 Chesterfield	41	6	6	8	28	29	7	7	7	29	32	-4 52
15 Scunthorpe	41	7	8	6	34	31	6	5	9	29	38	-6 52
16 Tranmere	41	7	8	5	32	24	5	7	9	16	20	4 51
17 Bournemouth	41	7	9	4	21	15	5	6	10	23	32	-3 51
18 Yeovil	41	7	7	6	23	20	6	3	12	24	35	-8 49
19 Blackpool	41	8	6	6	28	23	3	8	10	22	35	-8 47
20 Rotherham	41	7	6	7	28	23	4	7	10	19	34	-10 46
21 Hartlepool	41	5	9	6	23	25	5	6	10	14	26	-14 45
22 Swindon	41	9	4	7	30	27	1	9	11	12	32	-17 43
23 Walsall	41	7	6	7	24	28	3	7	11	19	35	-20 43
24 MK Dons	41	7	8	6	25	22	2	5	13	14	40	-23 40

League Table updated to 13th April due to easter print deadlines



## This afternoon's League One fixtures:

Barnsley v Southend

Brentford v Blackpool

Bristol City v Oldham

Colchester v Tranmere

Doncaster v Walsall

Gillingham v Bradford

Milton Keynes Dons v Hartlepool

Nottm Forest v Yeovil

Port Vale v Bournemouth

Scunthorpe v Swindon

Swansea v Rotherham

Date	Opponents	Comp	Time/Res	Att	Away
Sat Aug 6	Brentford	CCLI	0-2	5,952	653
Tue Aug 9	Barnsley	CCLI	2-1	7,152	1,651
Sat Aug 13	Gillingham	CCLI	1-1	5,007	423
Sat Aug 20	Nottingham Forest	CCLI	1-0	19,091	2,004
Tue Aug 23	Tranmere Rovers	CCL	2-1	2,738	155
Fri Aug 26	Southend United	CCLI	1-0	5,569	242
Mon Aug 29	Hartlepool United	CCLI	3-3	5,044	536
Fri Sep 2	Huddersfield Town	CCLI	4-1	14,112	1,561
Sat Sep 10	Port Vale	CCLI	2-0	5,694	620
Sat Sep 17	Doncaster Rovers	CCLI	1-3	6,699	1,971
Tue Sep 20	Birmingham City	CC2	0-2	6,109	609
Sat Sep 24	Walsall	CCLI	1-3	4,973	335
Tue Sep 27	Milton Keynes Dons	CCLI	0-1	4,682	333
Sat Oct 1	Yeovil Town	CCLI	3-4	4,311	217
Fri Oct 7	Tranmere Rovers	CCLI	2-0	7,522	372
Sat Oct 15	Rotherham United	CCLI	2-2	6,649	1,571
Tue Oct 18	Hartlepool United	LDV1	1-0	2,028	80
Sat Oct 22	Swindon Town	CCLI	1-1	4,972	384
Sat Oct 29	Oldham Athletic	CCLI	4-2	5,505	659
Sat Nov 5	Bury	FAC1	2-2	2,940	918
Sun Nov 13	Blackpool* Live on Sky	CCLI	2-5	6,016	667
Tue Nov 15	Bury	FAC1R	1-0	4,006	598
Sat Nov 19	Tranmere Rovers	CCLI	1-2	4,602	220
Sat Nov 26	Brentford	CCLI	1-3	4,322	272
Sat Dec 3	Aldershot	FAC2	1-0	3,548	388
Tue Dec 6	Swansea City	CCLI	0-2	13,207	98
Sat Dec 10	Barnsley	CCLI	2-5	8,197	974
Tue Dec 13	Halifax Town	LDV2	3-1	1,124	123
Fri Dec 16	Nottingham Forest	CCLI	3-1	5,857	1,131
Tue 20 Dec	Hereford United	LDV3	0-2	1,452	57
Mon Dec 26	Chesterfield	CCLI	2-2	5,866	1,161
Sat Dec 31	Bradford City	CCLI	0-0	5,269	929
Mon Jan 2	A.F.C. Bournemouth	CCLI	1-1	6,259	213
Sat Jan 7	Manchester City	FAC3	1-3	27,779	6,134
Tue Jan 10	Huddersfield Town	CCLI	2-2	4,450	819
Sat Jan 14	Bristol City	CCLI	1-1	11,692	240
Sat Jan 21	Doncaster Rovers	CCLI	1-2	6,978	2,131
Sat Feb 4	MK Dons	CCLI	2-0	4,631	140
Tue Feb 7	Colchester United	CCLI	0-1	4,416	112
Sat Feb 11	Walsall	CCLI	2-2	4,911	431
Tue Feb 14	Bristol City	CCLI	0-2	3,786	208
Sat Feb 18	Swansea City	CCLI	2-2	4,352	227
Sat Feb 25	Gillingham	CCLI	3-1	6,029	492
Tue Feb 28	Port Vale	CCLI	2-1	3,984	284
Fri Mar 10	Southend United	CCLI	0-3	8,717	261
Tue Mar 14	Hartlepool United	CCLI	2-0	4,550	492
Sat Mar 18	Chesterfield	CCLI	2-1	4,406	-
Sat Mar 25	Colchester United	CCLI	0-0	4,608	226
Sat Apr 1	Bradford City	CCLI	2-4	8,409	1,161
Sat Apr 8	A.F.C. Bournemouth	CCLI	2-2	4,136	-
Fri Apr 14	Yeovil Town	CCLI	19:45	-	-
Mon Apr 17	Swindon Town	CCLI	15:00	-	-
Sat Apr 22	Rotherham United	CCLI	15:00	-	-
Sat Apr 29	Blackpool	CCLI	15:00	-	-
Sat May 6	Oldham Athletic	CCLI	15:00	-	-



# The Big Quiz

Purely for fun, how many of these questions can you answer before you have to look at the answers?



Question 3

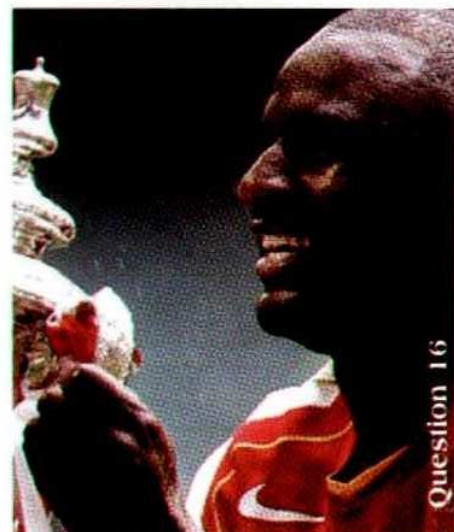
- 1 By what score did Arsenal beat Juventus at home in the Champions League?
- 2 In which season did Scunthorpe play Swindon in an FA Cup fifth round match?
- 3 Which current Manchester United player has won a record eight league titles?
- 4 How many time have Barcelona won the European Cup / Champions League?
- 5 Which player played every minute of every game for England at their last four major championships?
- 6 Which ex-jockey is chairman of Swindon Town?
- 7 Who are the only side to be relegated from the Premiership four times?
- 8 Which two sides will contest this season's FA Trophy final?
- 9 Who is the most capped current England player?
- 10 Which season were Swindon in the Premier League?
- 11 Who were the last side that failed to win re-election and were demoted from the Football League?
- 12 Who were the last Scottish side to reach a European final?
- 13 Which player made 770 league appearances for Swindon Town; a record for one club in England?
- 14 Tony Ford, Neil Redfearn and Ernie Moss all played over 750 league games each and they all finished their playing careers with which club?
- 15 Which country did England beat 6-1 in a friendly in 2004?
- 16 How many times was Patrick Vieira sent off for Arsenal?
- 17 In which season did Swindon manager Iffy Onuora play for Grimsby Town?
- 18 Which side defeated Chelsea 3-0 this season in the Premier League?
- 19 Which current Ireland player is their all time leading scorer?
- 20 Which player made the most appearances at Wembley?



Question 4



Question 14



Question 16

1 - 2-0; 2 - 1969-70; 3 - Ryan Giggs; 4 - Once (1992); 5 - Sol Campbell; 6 - Willie Carson; 7 - Crystal Palace; 8 - Grays Athletic and Exeter City; 9 - David Beckham (87); 10 - 1993-94; 11 - Southampton (1977-78); 12 - Celtic (UEFA Cup-2003); 13 - John Troilope; 14 - Rochdale; 15 - Iceland; 16 - Ten; 17 - 2003-04; 18 - Middlesbrough; 19 - Robbie Keane; 20 - Tony Adams (59)

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# Today's Line Up



## Scunthorpe United

- |    |                  |  |
|----|------------------|--|
| M  | Brian LAWS       |  |
| 1  | Paul MUSSELWHITE |  |
| 2  | Nathan STANTON   |  |
| 3  | Lee RIDLEY       |  |
| 4  | Andy CROSBY      |  |
| 5  | Richard HINDS    |  |
| 6  | Cliff BYRNE      |  |
| 7  | Matthew SPARROW  |  |
| 8  | Jim GOODWIN      |  |
| 9  | Tommy JOHNSON    |  |
| 10 | Steve TORPEY     |  |
| 11 | Ian BARACLOUGH   |  |
| 12 | Ritchie RYAN     |  |
| 14 | Peter BEAGRIE    |  |
| 15 | Cleveland TAYLOR |  |
| 16 | Wayne CORDEN     |  |
| 17 | Andy PARTON      |  |
| 18 | Andy BUTLER      |  |
| 19 | Andrew KEOGH     |  |
| 20 | Steve FOSTER     |  |
| 21 | Marcus WILLIAMS  |  |
| 22 | Tom EVANS        |  |
| 24 | Billy SHARP      |  |
| 25 | Dean TWIBEY      |  |
| 26 | Ismael EHUI      |  |
| 27 | Neil MacKENZIE   |  |
| 28 | Ashley ALLANSON  |  |
| 29 | Dario MAZZOLA    |  |
| 30 | Michael ROSE     |  |
|    |                  |  |

## Match Officials:

- |  |  |
|--|--|
|  | <b>N. S. Miller</b><br>Referee               |
|  | <b>P. Curry</b><br>Red & Yellow Diamond Flag |
|  | <b>N. Smith</b><br>Yellow Flag               |
|  | <b>K.D.G. Lawson</b><br>Fourth Official      |

## Forthcoming Fixtures:



Saturday 22nd April  
**Rotherham United**  
v **Scunthorpe Utd**  
Coca Cola League One  
Kick-off 3.00pm



Saturday 29th April  
**Scunthorpe Utd**  
v **Blackpool**  
Coca Cola League One  
Kick-off 3.00pm



Saturday 6th May  
**Oldham Athletic**  
v **Scunthorpe Utd**  
Coca Cola League One  
Kick-off 3.00pm

## The Iron

What items would you like to appear in "The Iron" next season? If you have any ideas, why not write in and let us know - e-mail us at [admin@scunthorpe-united.co.uk](mailto:admin@scunthorpe-united.co.uk) or write to us at Glanford Park.



## Swindon Town

- |    |                     |  |
|----|---------------------|--|
| M  | Iffy ONUORA         |  |
| 1  | Rhys EVANS          |  |
| 2  | Sean O'HANLON       |  |
| 3  | Jack SMITH          |  |
| 5  | Jerel IFIL          |  |
| 6  | Steve JENKINS       |  |
| 7  | Gareth WHALLEY      |  |
| 8  | Trevor BENJAMIN     |  |
| 9  | Lee PEACOCK         |  |
| 10 | Stefani MIGLIORANZI |  |
| 11 | Jamie CURETON       |  |
| 12 | Ricky SHAKES        |  |
| 13 | Matthew BULMAN      |  |
| 15 | Andrew NICHOLAS     |  |
| 16 | Kyle LAPHAM         |  |
| 17 | Charlie COMYN-PLATT |  |
| 18 | Christian ROBERTS   |  |
| 19 | Michael POOK        |  |
| 20 | Paul SMITH          |  |
| 21 | Ben WELLS           |  |
| 23 | Chris McPHEE        |  |
| 25 | Toumani DIAGOURAGA  |  |
| 25 | Albert JARRETT      |  |
| 26 | Lucas JUTKIEWICZ    |  |
| 27 | Andrew GURNEY       |  |
| 29 | David STROUD        |  |
| 30 | Ashan HOLGATE       |  |
| 32 | Aaron BROWN         |  |
| 33 | Leigh HENRY         |  |
|    |                     |  |

## NEXT UP - Blackpool

Saturday, April 29th, 2006 | Kick-off 3pm

It's the final home game of the season a week on Saturday when Simon Grayson brings his Blackpool side to Glanford Park. United will be looking to gain revenge after their 5-2 defeat at Bloomfield Road in November and games against the Seasiders are always entertaining. As it is the final home game, there should be a good crowd - make sure you're there!

