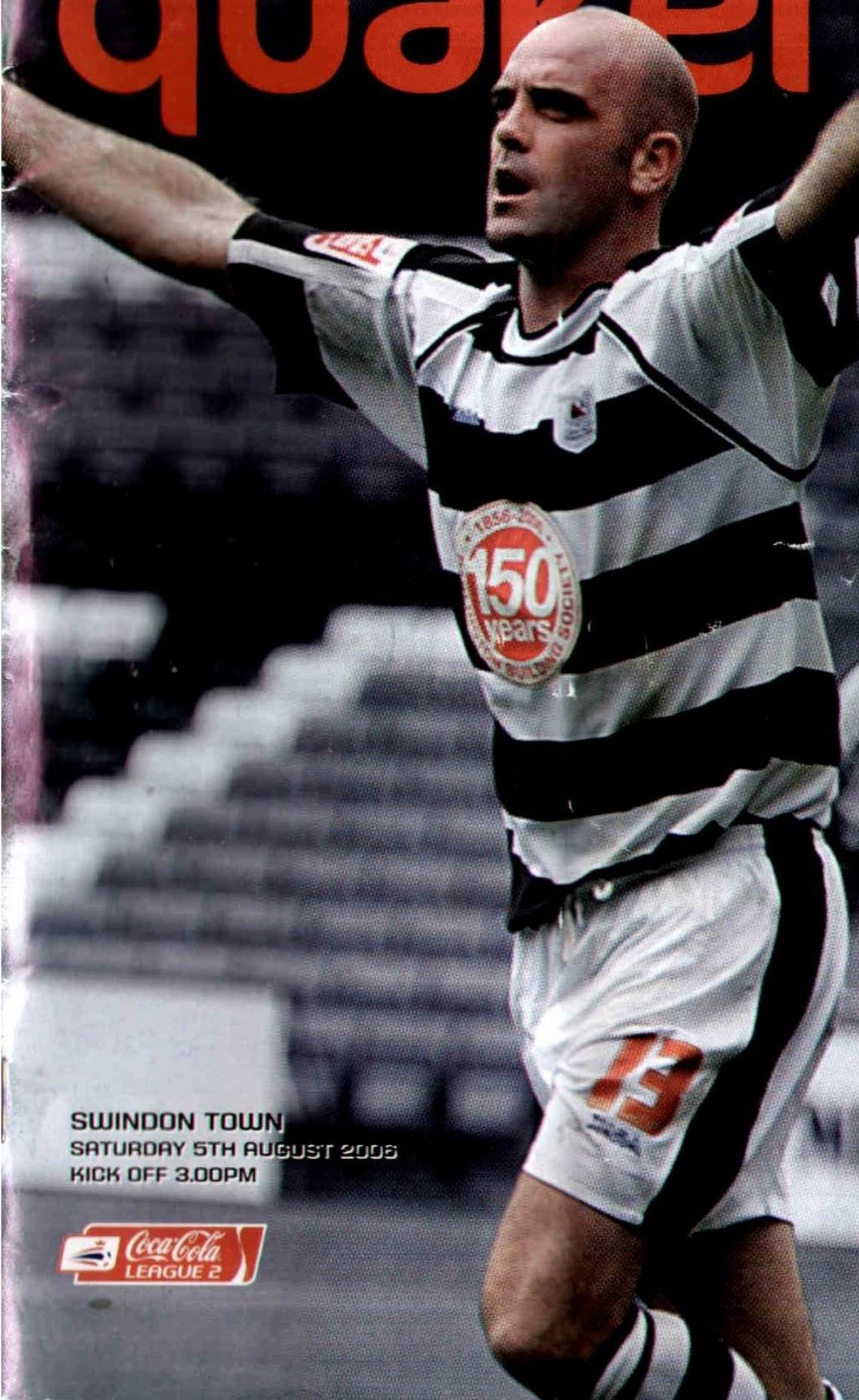


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SWINDON TOWN
SATURDAY 5TH AUGUST 2006
KICK OFF 3.00PM



from the dugout

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Good afternoon and welcome back to the 96.6 TFM Darlington Arena for our second home game of the season. I would like to begin by congratulating Gaetano Giallanza and his wife on the birth of a healthy baby boy. Tano made a big commitment to this football club to move here at such an important time of his life, so on behalf of everyone at the club, I would like to wish them all the best.

Since the last time I wrote in this section of the programme we've played three games, two have brought good results whilst the third, our latest game, not quite so. Regardless of that latest result I would be saying the same thing as I am right now; it is early days yet, there is a lot of hard work still to do.

We got off to a good start with the result over Macclesfield Town. I was a little disappointed with how we started the match but once the initial ten minutes were over we took over and never looked back. Macclesfield may well point to some good chances in the opening ten minutes but make no mistake we had plenty others during the match which we didn't score from.

Obviously Barry Conlon took the headlines with his hat-trick and it made a great return for him. It goes without saying he was delighted. I was also delighted for Gaetano Giallanza. To get a goal on his debut will have been a great feeling for him. He took his goal really well. Whilst he showed he has plenty of

ability he also showed his work rate in the opening few games, as did all the lads. He showed this at Accrington Stanley the following Tuesday night and was really unlucky at Boston United because he had two goals ruled out, worked hard again and got little protection from the referee after being kicked about the park.

Whilst I was a little disappointed with our start to the game against Macclesfield I was not surprised by the Accrington game. They were always going to come at us early doors because of the significance of the event. In all fairness though once we got the opening goal I think we stepped up a few gears and deserved our result. Even just before we took the lead through Micky Cummins we seemed to click up another notch or two. The result at Accrington was satisfying because I think a lot of good teams will go there and be knocked out of their stride. I'm certain it won't be an easy place to go because of the set-up and that Accrington will get results at home.

Boston was a disappointing result but as I said earlier it is just one game. Unfortunately with a little over twenty-four hours left before the game we lost Shelton Martis when he decided he wanted to move to Hibs. It had a bit of an effect on the backline because Darren Holloway, who stepped in, is a few games behind everyone else in terms of his fitness levels. It also

meant that Joey Hutchinson had to stay out for the entire ninety minutes which wasn't something I want him to do because of the game midweek. It is important to remember Joey is coming back from a serious injury and will continue improve his sharpness.

I wanted to be in a position where I could have brought Darren in during the later stages of the game for Joey but because of Shelton's departure this obviously wasn't possible. It didn't help our plans but as soon as I found out of Shelton's departure I was on the phone finding centre-backs – I don't know any other way to work. Credit to Darren however as he came in at the deep end but he did tire near the end. Whilst we lost 4-1 I think it doesn't quite tell the whole story. Giallanza had two goals ruled out by the referee and going forward we did continue to look dangerous. We started the second half well but the lengthy stoppage to Sam Russell knocked our momentum somewhat and made it difficult to get going again.

As I said it was a disappointing afternoon but this team has so much going for it that it would be daft to get hung up on one game, especially this early in the season. Fingers crossed with your support we'll get back on track today.

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from the boardroom

“ So far, I think we have certainly had more highs than lows and the peaks have been much higher than the troughs. ”

CHIEF EXECUTIVE
JON SOTNICK



A very warm welcome to the 96.6TFM Darlington Arena to the Darlington fans, and to the directors, players and supporters of the visiting team this afternoon Swindon Town.

Since the start of the season, we have already had a great journey of highs with many of our ideas coming to fruition.

After a 4-0 home win to Macclesfield on the opening day of the season and a 2-0 away victory to spoil Accrington Stanley's party, we were unlucky not to have taken the lead at Boston and ultimately suffered our first defeat.

So as far as football was concerned it wasn't an enjoyable return to my old club, but, to paraphrase a famous saying, "if you can't beat them - sign their best player". The club record signing of Julian Joachim this week showed the intentions of our Chairman George

Houghton and the ambition he has spread throughout Darlington FC.

So far, I think we have certainly had more highs than lows and the peaks have been much higher than the troughs. So, today is a day to enjoy ourselves and, as well as our match against Swindon Town, we are celebrating a family fun day, so I hope you all enjoy the magic, music and entertainment on offer.

Our next game here at the 96.6TFM Darlington Arena is a League Two match against Torquay United on a Friday evening, September 1. I don't know about you, but I love the atmosphere of a night match and it will be my first as chief executive here

at Darlington. I believe we have the perfect venue here to really bring it to life.

But, back to this afternoon. Enjoy the day, have a safe journey home and everyone at Darlington FC looks forward to seeing you here at the 96.6TFM Darlington Arena for our next League Two game, against Torquay United on Friday, September 1.



Julian Joachim with Chairman George Houghton



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I also feel, that on behalf of the lads I owe you an apology for our result on Saturday which simply wasn't good enough after our previous two performances.

CAPTAIN
CLARK KELTIE



Good afternoon and welcome back for today's game against Swindon Town.

Much has happened since our last fixture here with the departure of Shelts. Shelts will be a big loss here but he is an ambitious lad and I wish him well up in Scotland.

With the addition of the two players Julian and Alun to the front line, there is set to be a lot of competition for places which can only help us all. I will state again my belief in the quality and also the determination throughout the team.

I would like to say a big thank you to the travelling fans at Accrington

and Boston. Once again the support was fantastic. I also feel, that on behalf of the lads I owe you an apology for our result on Saturday which simply wasn't good enough after our previous two performances.

We have been trying to put things right on the training ground this week and we aim to take that into the game today. The lads were very down after the result on Saturday and the coach journey home was very quiet, which is a good sign as it shows how much the players care.

Monday mornings are always

difficult after a result like that but the manager and coaching staff have picked us up and we are now looking forward to the challenge of getting back to winning ways and starting today.

We must all put last week behind us now, get behind us once again today and hopefully we will give you, the fans something to shout about come the final whistle.

Best Wishes,
Kelts

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DENNIS WISE
MANAGER

Dennis Wise was appointed manager of Swindon Town in June 2006, after turning down the offer of a new contract at Coca-Cola Championship side Coventry City. Kensington-born Wise began his career with Southampton as a youngster before making the switch to the then Wimbledon in March 1985 where he spent five successful years, 27 goals in 127 appearances, including an FA Cup Final win over Liverpool, attracted the attentions of Chelsea who spent £1.6 million for the services of the combative midfielder in July 1990. Wise went on to become an integral part of the Blues' midfield and made 322 appearances, winning the Cup Winners Cup (1998), FA Cup (1997, 2000) and the Charity Shield (2000). In the summer of 2001 Wise left Stamford Bridge in a £1.6 million move to join Leicester City. After just

▶▶ PETER BREZOVAN

A giant in goal at 6'7, Brezovan signed on a year's loan from Czech club FC Brno in the summer of 2006. Brezovan became a fans favourite after performing heroics on his competitive debut against Hartlepool United on the opening debut, saving two penalties from Porter and Humphreys to earn Town all three points.

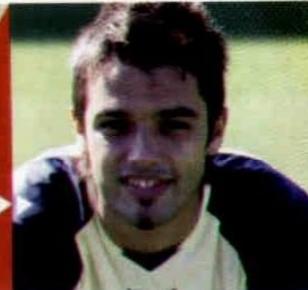
over a year with The Foxes he moved to Millwall, where he became player-manager and guided them to the FA Cup Final in May 2004. After departing Millwall in June 2005, Wise made the switch to Coca-Cola Championship side Southampton - returning to the club where he began his career 21 years earlier. After a six-month stint with The Saints he joined Coventry City, where he played out the 2005-6 season, scoring six goals in just eleven starts for The Sky Blues.

Wise made the move to The County Ground, taking up the managerial reins in June 2006 after turning down the offer of a new playing contract with Coventry. It is an exciting 2006-7 season ahead for The Robins under Wise and Poyet and with both having signed three-year contracts, the future is bright for Swindon Town.

▶▶ JACK SMITH

Signed from Watford in the summer of 2005, Smith added youthful experience to the Town side. He made 38 league starts for Town last season in a variety of positions including right back, left back and midfield. This term he will be looking to consolidate his favoured spot in the right of defence.

PETER BREZOVAN



▶▶ JAMIE VINCENT

Jamie Vincent arrived at The County Ground in July 2006 hoping to make the left-back slot his own.

Vincent began his football career as a trainee at Crystal Palace before making the switch to AFC Bournemouth. He then made a £500,000 switch to Huddersfield Town which was followed by an £800,000 deal which saw him move to Portsmouth in 2001. Spells at Derby County and Millwall then followed.

▶▶ JEREL IFIL

Powerful defender Jerel Ifil joined Town in the summer of 2004 after enjoying three loan spells with Town previously from 2002-04. Jerel became a fan's favourite during his brief stays in Wiltshire and signed on a permanent basis in June 2004 and he has almost amassed 100 appearances as a Robin.

▶▶ ADY WILLIAMS

Named on-field captain by manager Dennis Wise in mid-July, Ady Williams brings with him a wealth of footballing experience.

Signed from Coventry City in pre-season, the former Welsh

ADY WILLIAMS



LEE PERDOCK



a brief history

International boasts successful spells with Wolves and Reading on his CV.

▶▶ GARETH WHALLEY

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. Gareth was a regular during their two-season spell in the top flight.

Injury kept him out from early-November 2002 until mid-April 2003 but he returned to play a significant role in the Club's promotion through the Play-Offs.

He joined Wigan Athletic in September 2004 and subsequently made nine appearances for The Latics in the march to promotion to the Premiership.

During his first season at Swindon, Whalley settled into the side and made 27 appearances during the 2005-6 campaign.

▶▶ AARON BROWN

Aaron Brown begins this 2006-7 season looking to play his way back into Dennis Wise's first team plans. Brown requested a transfer away from SN1 in the summer following

the club's relegation to League 2, but after interest from Brentford and an unsuccessful trial at Doncaster Rovers, 'Brownie' found himself back at The County Ground.

The left-sided midfielder began his career at Bristol City. After six years at Ashton Gate he made a move to QPR in July 2004 but after just one start for The R's - an initial loan spell at Swindon followed, before he made the move permanent under former Boss Iffy Onuora in January 2006.

▶▶ LEE PEACOCK

Striker Lee Peacock joined Swindon Town on 20th January 2006 on a free transfer from Sheffield Wednesday.

The experienced frontman started his career at Carlisle United as a trainee, but after scoring 11 goals in 52 appearances he made the switch to Mansfield Town in October 1997 for £75,000. It proved to be a productive spell with The Stags with 29 goals in 80 appearances attracting Manchester City who parted with £500,000 for his services. However, his time at Maine Road was not as successful as he would have liked due to injuries.

A £600,000 move to Bristol City in August 2000 heralded the start of a successful four year spell at Ashton Gate, 54 goals in 131 games. Next

Swindon Town were founded in 1881 out of the football section of the Spartans cricket club and by 1884 were playing at the Croft, home of Swindon Rangers RFC before moving to the County Ground in 1896. They turned professional in 1894 and became founder members of the Southern League of which they were champions in 1911 and 1914.

In 1920 they joined the Third Division South and remained in that league up until its reorganisation in 1958 before going into the new Third. In February 1956 they became only the second Football League club to stage a floodlit match just a week behind Portsmouth's initial evening game. They gained their first promotion to Division Two in 1963 but after two seasons were back down again. In 1969 they won the Football League Cup (as a Third Division side) beating Arsenal at Wembley and the following season won the Anglo-Italian Cup beating Roma.

However in 1982 they dropped to the Fourth Division for four seasons before being Champions in 1986 with a record 102 points and then going up again the next season to return to the old Second Division. In 1990 they beat Sunderland in the Second Division play-off final to gain entry to the top flight but were denied their place when found guilty of financial irregularities and demoted two divisions. This was reduced to one division on appeal and three years later the club finally reached the Premiership under Glenn Hoddle beating Leicester City 4-3 in the play-off final.

Alas they only sustained one season at the top in 1993/4 and then dropped two divisions before winning Division Two in 1996. They held their place at this level for four seasons until relegation again in 2000 and after six seasons now return to the lowest league for the first time in twenty eventful years.

Frank Twedde.

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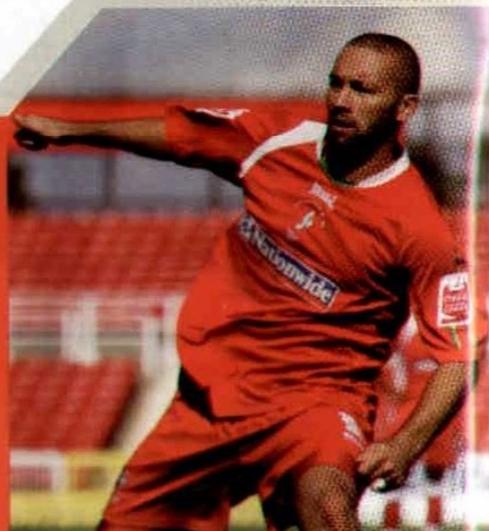
CHRISTIAN ROBERTS

Cardiff-born striker who joined Town in October 2004 in a £50,000 switch from local rivals Bristol City.

He is an aggressive runner and will add much needed pace to the Swindon frontline. Formerly with Exeter City where he scored

18 goals in 67 league starts for the Grecians from 2000 - 2002.

With 6 goals in 22 starts for the Robins so far, Roberts will be keen to play a big part in Town's 2006-7 campaign and his appointment as Vice-Captain seems to have invigorated the frontman.



up was Sheffield Wednesday, who he joined on a free transfer in the summer of 2004.

▶▶ ANDY MONKHOUSE

A product of the youth set-up at Rotherham United, Andy Monkhouse ended an eight-year association with the Millmoor club when he made the switch to Wiltshire in the summer of 2006.

Having made over 150 appearances for The Millers, Monkhouse adds not only youthful experience to the Robins squad, but also unpredictable flair on either flank of the midfield.

▶▶ RICKY SHAKES

A tricky winger with plenty of pace, Shakes signed from Bolton Wanderers in a deal which also saw Charlie Comyn-Platt join the club.

A Trinidad & Tobago player, Shakes signed on for Swindon in July 2005 and went on to establish himself on the right of the Town midfield, narrowly missing out on a place in the 'Soca Warriors' World Cup squad

along the way.

▶▶ ANDY GURNEY

'Gurns' rejoined Swindon Town on a permanent basis in January 2005 after failing to pin down a regular place in the Swans' starting line-up.

A versatile player, he can operate anywhere along the backline or in centre of midfield.

He joined Swansea City from Swindon Town on a free transfer in September 2004 and lists his other clubs as Torquay United, Bristol Rovers and Reading. He has now made over 385 senior starts and has scored 45 goals.

▶▶ ANDY NICHOLAS

'Nicho' joined Town in the close season of 2003 following his decision to leave Liverpool, where he came through the youth system.

Andrew seized his chance to become a regular member of the side throughout the 2003/04 season. Despite making such a positive impression during the 2003-4 season, the 2004-5 campaign saw

the defender struggled with injuries and was unable to gain a regular starting berth.

'Nicho' is now an established member of the Town squad and is approaching 100 appearances for the club.

▶▶ FOLA ONIBUJE

Dennis Wise handed 6'6 front man Fola a three-month contract in July 2006, and the former GB sprinter will be out to impress.

Having had previous spells with Preston North End, Barnsley, Huddersfield Town and Peterborough United, this is a big chance for the striker. Lagos-born Onibuje spent last season with Cambridge United, scoring 9 goals in 25 appearances.

▶▶ CHARLIE COMYN-PLATT

Charlie Comyn-Platt joined the Bolton Academy in the summer of 2002 after a long association with the club.

After being released by Bolton in the summer of 2005 he made the switch

ANDY
MONKHOUSEPAUL
EVANS

to The County Ground on a one-year contract and went on to make 27 appearances in his first season in Wiltshire, scoring twice against Boston United (FA Cup) and Doncaster Rovers (League One). After a successful first campaign, he signed a new one-year deal in the summer 2006.

▶▶ PAUL EVANS

An experienced campaigner with over 400 league starts and two Welsh caps to his name, 'Evo' joined the Town ranks in July 2006 from Nottingham Forest.

His former clubs include Shrewsbury Town, Brentford, Bradford City and Nottingham Forest. He eventually left The City Ground after being frozen out by former Reds Boss Gary Megson, which also saw Evans spend a loan spell with Rotherham United towards the end of the 2005-6 season.

Now with a one-year deal at The County Ground, Evans will look to use all of his experience to cement a place in the starting line-up as well as passing on valuable knowledge to the younger players at the club.

▶▶ MICHAEL POOK

'Pooky' signed a professional contract ahead of the 2005-6 season and was a consistent performer for the youth team and reserves prior to

joining the professional ranks.

An energetic 'box-to-box' midfielder, Pook will look to benefit from the wealth of knowledge passed to him by Dennis Wise and Gus Poyet.

▶▶ ROYCE BROWNLIE

Amicable Australian who joined Town in July 2006 – four years after scoring for the Town in a trial game against Sporting Gijon in pre-season 2002.

Signed from Queensland Roar, Brownlie has now swapped life to the 52,000 seat Suncorp Stadium for The County Ground. The striker had a previous trial spell in England with Sheffield Wednesday amongst others.

▶▶ CURTIS WESTON

Another summer signing, Weston joined from Millwall where he became the youngest ever FA Cup finalist ever at 17 years and 119 days, coming on to replace Dennis Wise in the 2004 final against Manchester United.

A busy midfielder who likes to get amongst the goals, Weston impressed with combative central displays against Crystal Palace and Reading, showing pace, aggression in the tackle and awareness. The 19-year old started the season alongside Michael Pook in the

midfield alongside Michael Pook at Hartlepool United.

▶▶ LUKAS JUTKIEWICZ

'A boy in a man's frame' is how manager Dennis Wise described the powerful striker, and few would disagree.

Southampton-born, Jutkiewicz spent time with The Saints before joining Swindon's Centre of Excellence and won the Golden Boot Award at the Milk Cup in 2004. He then made his senior debut off the bench at Swansea City towards the end of the 2005-6 season and scored three goals in Town's pre-season campaign this year.

▶▶ PHIL SMITH

Goalkeeper Phil Smith joined Swindon in late July from Crawley Town.

Smith had made 74 starts for Crawley Town during a two-year stay, which followed a year's spell at Margate where he made 35 starts. A dependable customer, Smith will be looking to add experience to the Town set-up as well as fighting for the number one shirt.

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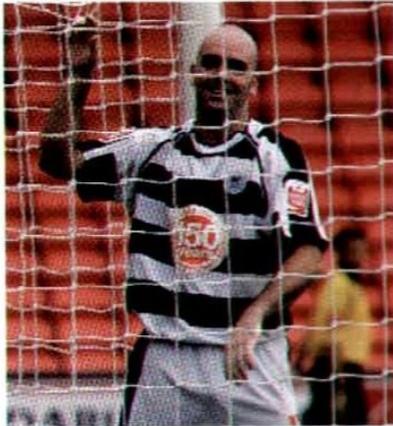
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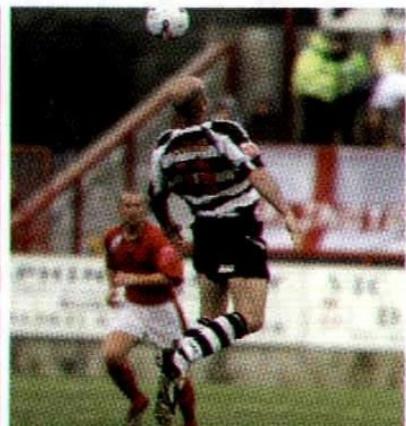
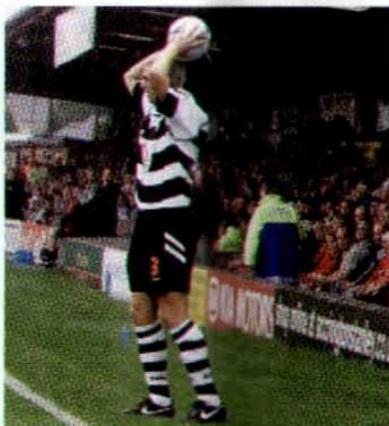
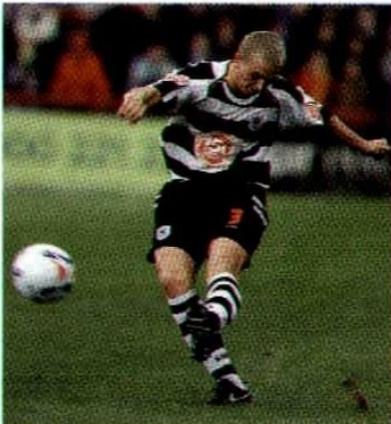
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Barry Fry

SPORTSMAN'S DINNER

Our Sportsman's dinner on 22nd September is now fully booked. We have had an overwhelming response, and as a result of this we are currently planning another Sportsman's dinner especially for the fans. The date is yet to be announced but we are aiming for October with Barry Fry as the guest speaker once again so anyone who missed out in September will have another chance for a great night here at the club.

Owen's lap of honour

You may have seen our recent story of a 7 year old boy by the name of Owen Stubbings who grafted through a 6k run in aid of St. Teresa's hospice. Owen completed the run with a lap of the pitch at our previous home match and was given a fantastic reception from every section of the ground. On completion of the run, Owen had made over £1000 for the charity in which through our help, has attracted others willing to make a donation, especially Argos who have stated that they would like to



Owen completes the run

possibly match this for the charity, along with our Chairman who has also pledged to donate to the fund. Well done Owen and thank you to all who donated and helped him throughout the run.

50/50 Draw The winning number from Saturday 5th August was 0451. The £200 cash prize raised was claimed on the day.

Competitions

We have secured another cruise for **2 to Amsterdam** for today's main text competition courtesy of DFDS. Congratulations to our last cruise winner - **Yvonne Rennard**. We also have tickets for TFM Sweet night at Tall Trees for the Minute to Win It and for the Fans' Man of the Match competition we have a DVD of today's game, carvery vouchers and signed DFC football. It could be you today - Good Luck!

QUAKERS FAMILY FUN DAY

We are delighted to host our first official Quakers Family Fun Day. Fans of all ages will see the CBBC's Lampies in the North

Stand. They will be here to meet and greet our younger fans and have some great giveaways too - make sure you go and see them. A magician, face painting, and

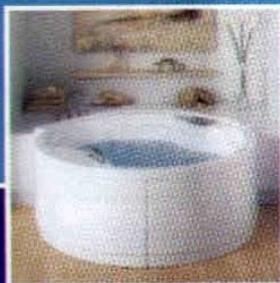
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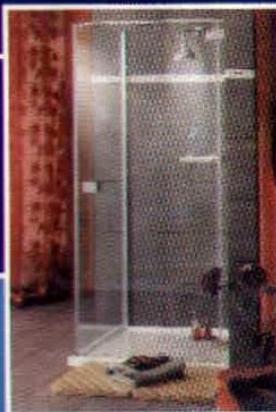
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David Hodgson

Played 125 Won 48 Drawn 35 Lost 42
 For 157 Against 137
 Av Pts/game 1.43
 Biggest Win(s) Won 4-0 on 3 occasions
 Biggest Loss(es) Darlington 0 Carlisle 5 (18/03/2006).

Dennis Wise

Played 3 Won 3 Drawn 0 Lost 0 For 4 Against 1
 Av Pts/game 3.00
 Biggest Win(s) Swindon 2 Barnet 1 (08/08/2006)
 Biggest Loss(es) Lost 1-0 on 2 occasions

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..0 | David Hodgson0 | Dennis Wise0
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Barry Conlon 10

shots on target

Barry Conlon 7

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Michael

Cummins 4

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crosses

Craig James 10

fouls

Clark Keltie 7

free-kicks-won

Barry Conlon 7



Player with the most... shots

Ricky Shakes 4

shots on target

Christian

Roberts 2

shots off target

Lee Peacock 3

assists

Michael Pook 1

crosses

Jamie Vincent 4

fouls

Christian

Roberts 8

free-kicks-won

Christian

Roberts 6

GAMES SINCE

1	a win	0
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0	a defeat	7
3	a home defeat	4
0	an away defeat	4
7	a score draw	3
22	a no score draw	5
0	conceding a goal	1
0	scoring a goal	0
0	conceding > 1	4
1	scoring > 1	1
1	keeping a clean sheet	0
11	failing to score	5
1	back to back wins	0
15	back to back defeats	9
1	gaining a point	0
0	losing a point	3
1	win by > one	12
0	loss by > one	7

SHARP SHOOTERS

Darlington	CCFL Cup	Tot	Swindon	CCFL Cup	Tot
Barry Conlon	4	0 4	Lee Peacock	1	0 1
Gaetano Giallanza	1	0 1	Ricky Shakes	1	0 1
Martin Smith	1	0 1	Royce Brownlie	1	0 1

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played....10 | Darlington wins5 | Swindon wins4
 Draws1 | Goals 7 (0.7 per game) | Goals 9 (0.9 per game)
 0-0's1 | Times failed to score 5 | Times failed to score 4

Biggest League win at Darlington for each team:

31/12/1966 Darlington 2-1 Swindon

No wins for Swindon



2006/07 LEAGUE STATS

	5	Position	2	
	3	Played	3	
	2	Won	3	
	0	Drawn	0	
	1	Lost	0	
	7	Goals For	4	
	4	Goals Against	1	
	6	Points	9	

Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
0	0	0	12	0	0	0	11

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
2	0	1	7	3	0	0	2

Record When Scoring First

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
2	0	0	2	2	0	0	6

Record When Conceding First

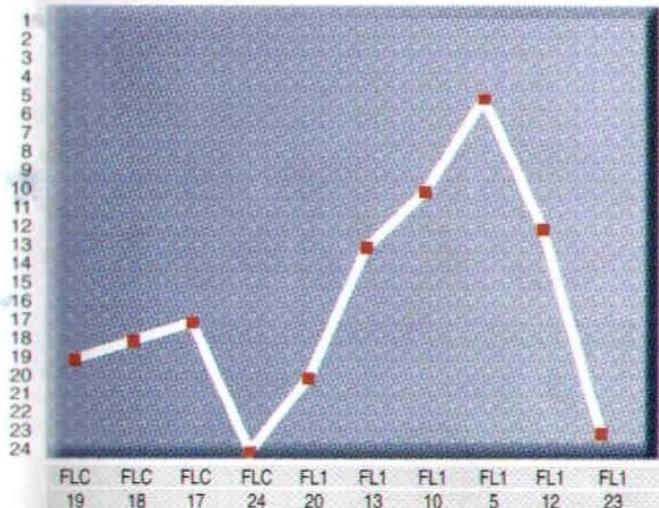
W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
0	0	1	12	1	0	0	3

Match Scores

Wins: 2-0[1], 4-0[1] Losses: 1-4[1] Wins: 1-0[2], 2-1[1]

SWINDON - TEN SEASON RECORD

96/97 97/98 98/99 99/00 00/01 01/02 02/03 03/04 04/05 05/06



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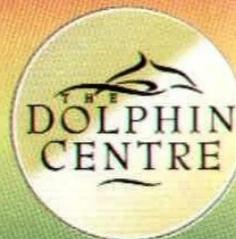
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FRANK TWEDDLE

10 YEARS AGO

Darlington 4 Swansea City 1
Division 3 Attendance 2744

After opening our league campaign with a defeat by the odd goal in five at Hull City on the first Saturday of the new season we played our first home league match against newly relegated Swansea City at Feethams. Manager Jim Platt stuck with the eleven that had started at Hull with Lee Brydon, signed in the summer from Liverpool, making his debut as a substitute, while Swansea fielded player-manager Jan Molby, the former Liverpool player and Danish International, in midfield. We took the lead through Robbie Blake after nineteen minutes and went in two up at half-time after defender Mark Clode had put through his own goal five minutes before the break. We continued to dominate the second half and Robbie Blake got his second goal of the game on fifty-three minutes before Michael Oliver put us four up on sixty-six minutes. The Welshmen did grab a consolation goal through Linton Brown nine minutes from time but it was

a very successful home start to the new season.



Lee Brydon

20 YEARS AGO

Darlington 2 Mansfield Town 1
Division Three Attendance 2043

Again we had started the new season with an away defeat, this time 1-3 at near neighbours York City, and were starting our second home league campaign up in the Third Division with a visit from Mansfield Town. New signings Mark Hine (Grimsby Town) and David Currie (Middlesbrough) were making their home debuts after starting at York while David Mills, once the first half million pound transfer in England when he went to West Brom from the Boro in January 1979, was making his full debut after signing from Middlesbrough. After a goal-less first-half we took the lead in the fifty-ninth minute through centre-back John Green, with only his second goal for the club, but evergreen striker Keith Cassells equalised for the 'Stags.' It looked as though we were heading for a draw until our other centre-back, Phil Lloyd popped up with the winner six minutes from time to register our first league points of the season.



David Mills

30 YEARS AGO

Darlington 1 Newport County 0
Division 4 Attendance 2684

It was a Welsh beginning to the new season thirty years ago, as after trailing down to Swansea for our opening game we entertained Newport County (who sadly lost their Football League place in 1988) in our first home league match. We had survived a re-election application only on goal difference the previous season and so were looking for an improvement in our league form this time. The game was actually our second at home as we had drawn with Halifax Town in the Football League Cup on the previous Monday evening. The 'Ironsides', as Newport were known, put up stubborn resistance and half-time was reached without any scoring. It took just one goal to settle the outcome of the points and fortunately it came in our favour from the somewhat unlikely source of full-back Clive Nattress and was only his fifth goal for the Quakers on his one hundred and sixty third appearance!



Clive Nattress

Newell, Shaw, Barnard, Brumwell (sub Brydon), Crosby, Gregan, Twynham, Oliver, Roberts (sub Carss), Blake (sub Innes), Atkinson.

Astbury, Evans, Morgan, Hine, Green, Lloyd, Woodcock (sub Roberts), Ward, Currie, Mills, Robinson.

Ogley, Nattress, Cochrane, Crossan, Noble, Craig, Lyons, Sinclair, Ferguson, Rowles, Stone.

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Last Saturday I took the weekend off football and I guess so did the Darlo team. But as they were at York Street battling for more points I was at York City chilling out with the other half for a weekend away from the children.

Earlier this year I promised the trip, in reward for doing the dishes to my satisfaction. I can say that as I know she won't be reading the programme :) I don't know what she thinks of me though as on the journey down towards York she dared to ask me where Darlington were playing. For some strange reason she had a feeling we were playing York, after explaining the league system she was satisfied that I genuinely wanted to take her away for the weekend, although I also explained that Boston wasn't that far away if she fancied a nice trip out. Alas we stayed in York and as it happened we stayed in a hotel opposite Bootham Crescent. How great it was to see the City fans heading to their match against Exeter City, at least I experienced some footie action over the weekend.

During a slightly drunken conversation whilst at a Chinese Buffet, me and the wife got talking about waxing, yes body waxing. Amazingly she said that blokes couldn't take it and comments about females always having a hard time were mentioned. I wasn't having that so after supping up at the buffet it was off to boots for a £4.97 pack of Veet waxing strips and then back to the hotel. This was to turn out to not be one of my better ideas. The only plus point was that whilst lying on my front, I volunteered for a back and backside waxing, I could listen to five live and the footie scores.

But by 4:45 I didn't know what was hurting more, the wax strip being

ripped from my back with the force of She-Ra or the commentator telling me Joachim had just scored his second and Boston's fourth to seal Darlo's defeat. But as the swelling calmed down on Monday morning the concern calmed down with it. OK we lost Shelton Martis to Hibernian, that is a big blow, but Hodgdy will be addressing this and maybe by the time you are reading this somebody may have joined the club to replace him. Then on Monday we find out that Joachim, the man who inflicted so much damage to Darlington last Saturday, had signed for Darlington for a club record £100k+ deal, to make the deal even better was knowing that Hartlepool once again tried to scupper the deal with a last minute bid. What is it with them people, they did it with Gabbas and now they try again, can't they find their own players?

Our chairman has certainly invested in the team and Hodgson definitely has the best Darlington team at his disposal, infact I would personally say that our current team is of a higher calibre than the 1999/2000 one.

Let's take a look at the 1999/2000 team and the current team and see what you think.

This is the team that started on the first day of the season away at Halifax.

**Collett - Reed - Liddle
Bennett - Aspin - Heckingbottom
Gray - Atkinson - Oliver
Nogan - Gabbiadini**

And today's likely lineup.

**Russell - Collins - Holloway -
Hutchinson - James -
Cummins - Keltie - Smith
Joachim - Conlon - Giallanza**

Obviously with the team we currently have, expectations have been risen slightly but over the next few weeks we have some challenging games with the likes of today's visitors Swindon, Walsall and Peterborough. But if we are going for promotion this season we must look at these games as six pointers and the chance to cement our place at the top end of the table. To be honest I am still trying to take in what is happening at the moment, I am used to seeing our star strikers being Glen Robson, Adam Marsh and Kirk Jackson. Finally, at the last home game I am sure you will all have seen the three exercise bikes placed outside the dugout for the subs to warm up on. Well Darlo Uncovered held a Caption Competition and had some fantastic entries. But there can only be one winner.

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Stoke City v Darlington

Carling Cup Round One
Tuesday August 22nd 2006, 7.45pm

Thanks to the seeding system, Darlo are at least guaranteed a match against a higher level club, although it will be tough away from home. Tony Pulis has returned to take over with the Potters and made them hard to bear. We last played Stoke here in the AutoWindscreens Shield in 2000, when we lost 3-2 to a "golden goal." Players with Premiership experience include Michael Duberry and Luke Chadwick.

MAN TO WATCH

Peter Sweeney, play-maker, who likes to get forward and will be a threat.

GROUND AND TICKET PRICES

The Britannia Stadium is a bit of a problem to reach but there is no denying its facilities. Away fans are in the Big AM (South) Stand at one end of the ground, with room for 4,800 all-seated. Ticket prices £12 adults, £5 concessions - under 17 and over 65.

TRAVEL

By car: From the north east: M1 until junction 28, follow signs to Derby on the A38. After 13 miles at Little Eaton, follow signs to Burton and to the South M1, staying on the A38. Follow signs for the A516/A50 and Stoke. On the A50 and follow all the way until you see the Britannia Stadium on the left. From the M6: Leave the M6 at junction 15, then take the A500 to Stoke-on-Trent, at the first exit take the A34 to Stone, follow signs for Trentham, at the next roundabout turn left onto Trentham Road (A5035) stay on this road till you reach the junction with Stanley Matthews Way.

If early enough, there is parking at the Power League complex next to the stadium, which normally costs £4.50. You can also use the facilities at the centre, which includes a bar. Directions on www.dafts.co.uk

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Walsall v Darlington

Coca-Cola League Two
Saturday August 26th 2006, 3pm

New boss Richard Money has been having a summer sort-out as Walsall dropped down into the bottom division. They've got off to a good start. Up front, they may cause more problems with Hector Sam the latest to join a new-look strike-force.

MAN TO WATCH

Martin Butler, striker signed from Rotherham, who should link up with new arrival Tony Bedeau.

GROUND AND TICKET PRICES

From the outside, the ground is a disappointing modern shed, with corrugated cladding, hard to distinguish from the surrounding Pets At Home and Comet out-of-town stores. On the plus side, there is a well-run programme shop, in addition to the club shop. Away fans at the Bescot are behind the goal in the Homeserve Stand, with room for 2,000. There are a few pillars, so try to avoid sitting behind them. There's an excellent range at the catering kiosk, with pies and pasties at £2. Toilets were clean and the programme, the standard £2.50. Ticket prices: Adults £18, concessions - under 16 and over 60 - £12 (matchday), with adult £16 and £10 concession (advance purchase discounts).

TRAVEL

By car: After leaving the M1 and joining the M42, take the M6 until you exit at junction 9 (signposted Wednesbury) At roundabout take the A461 onto Bescot Road - (signposted Walsall). Continue forward onto Bescot Road A461. Entering Walsall. At traffic signals turn right onto Wallows Lane - A148 (signposted Ring Road, Birmingham A34) At traffic signals turn right onto Bescot Crescent, signposted Bescot Stadium.

Parking: There is a car park at the ground (cost £3) and behind the away stand or some street parking off Wallows Lane and Fullbrook Lane.

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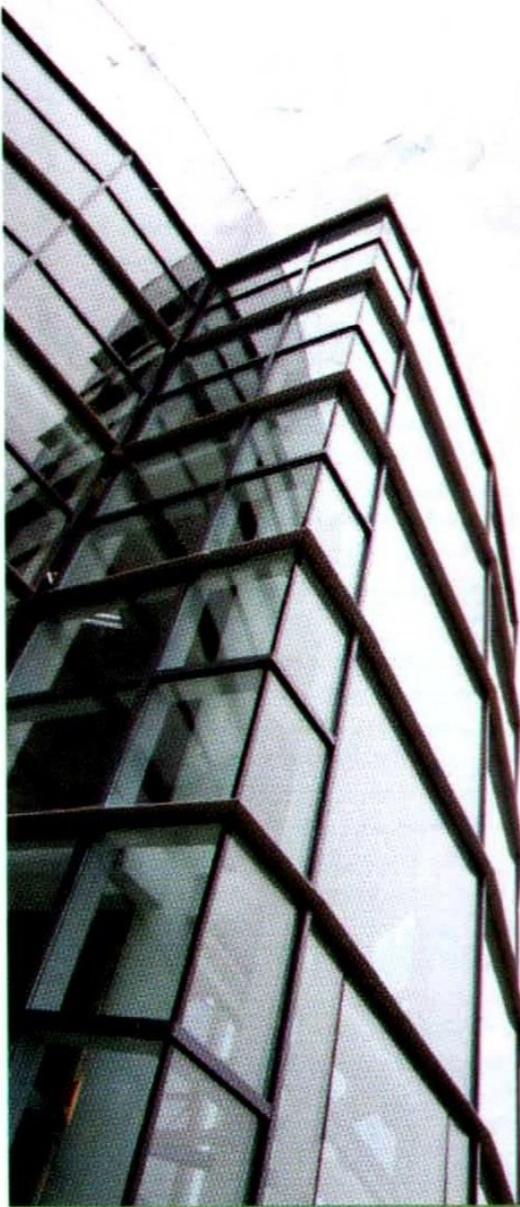
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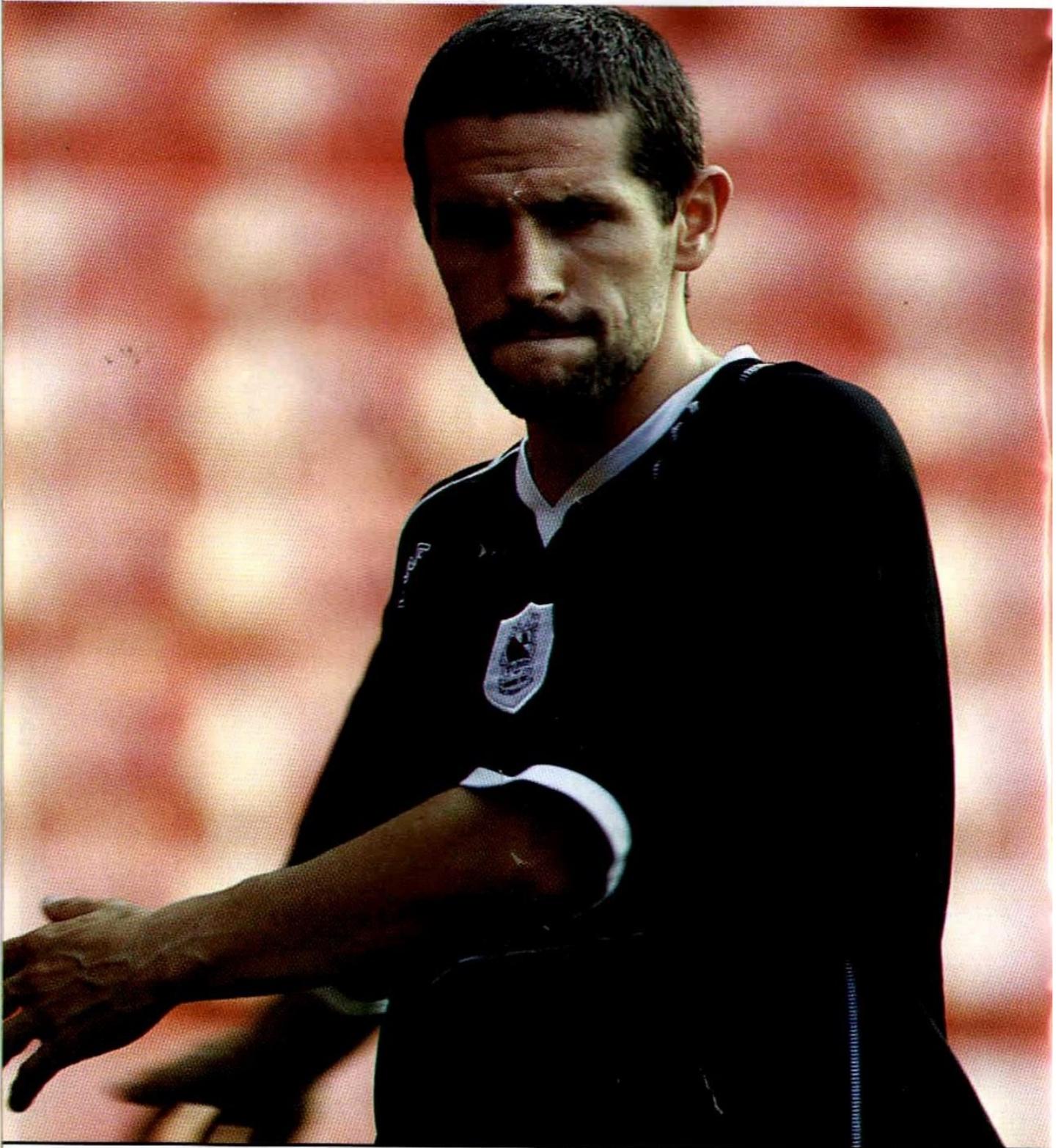
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ANDREW WILKINSON TALKS TO...

“ I scored my first Darlington goal, which turned out to be the winner... ”

Darlington midfielder David Duke is having to be patient - but at least he is not 'a patient' as he was for much of last season.

His first season with the Quakers was a frustrating one, as he missed much of it through injury.

In fact he figured in only 20 of the 46 League 2 games, making 17 starts while coming off the bench three times.

This season he has already made three appearances as a substitute, and is delighted to be back in the frame and injury free.

"The only good thing about last season from a personal point of view was that I finished on a bit of a high," said the Inverness-born player who made over 200 appearances for today's opponents Swindon before arriving at Darlington.

"I scored my first Darlington goal, which turned out to be the winner, at Wycombe in the penultimate game of the campaign.

"Apart from that the season was such a write off for me, that I'd like to consider it my first goal of this season, because I see this as a new start to my time at Darlington, as it isn't until now that I've really been able to get going."

Despite his appearances being few he showed his versatility, by playing at full back and in midfield. And while he would like to earn a midfield role this time around, he acknowledges that there is such competition for places, that he will be glad to appear wherever he can.

"This is a very strong squad, one which can provide answers to all sorts of problems.

"We have individual who can unlock defences, and that gives us every reason for confidence.

"Naturally I want to be part of it, and a midfield role is my bread and butter, though I'll happily play at full back if that's what the manager wants."

At 27 and with so many games under his belt prior to last season, David has a wealth of experience, and still plenty of pace. He can bomb forward as he did to good affect for his goal at Wycombe, or play a holding role, keeping the midfield ticking over with shrewd passing.

There are other players, notably Micky Cummins who can do the same, which is exactly what the manager wanted, as he built a squad where every player was covered by somebody who can play

a similar role.

"It's a fight for places, no doubt about that, but at least I'm fit to join that battle," said David.

"I feel the best I have done for a year and a half. Last season was one injury after another."

He was injured literally from top to bottom, with head, abductor, double hernia and ankle injuries, quite a collection for a player who was not previously too familiar with the treatment table, having played over 40 league games a season in his previous four years at Swindon.

Now he wants to be part of a promotion winning side, and sees no reason why not.

"You can't get carried away by doing well in the pre-season games, but when I look around in training at the quality we have, you can't help but be confident.

"We were not far short last season, and now have the players who can go one step further.

"Most of the new faces have a lot of experience and that is going to be the key thing, because we were missing that last season, and it showed at times."

In fact David was one of the more senior players last season, though his injuries meant he was not much help, notable in the spell between late November and early April when he wasn't able to feature at all.

With a bit of luck there will be no such problems this time around.

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- 3 Which actor, who died in 1986 is best remembered for playing Inspector Clouseau in the Pink Panther films?
- 4 Which TV series of the early 2000's featured a local shop for local people?
- 5 Who went from 'Tiswas' to 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire'?
- 6 What term generally describes a street musician - usually solo?

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- 1 The Lakeside Country Club at Frimley Green in Surrey hosts which annual sporting event?
- 2 The Vince Lombardi Trophy is awarded in which sport?
- 3 Which sport features in Wisdens Almanac?
- 4 What tree was traditionally used to make longbow arrows?
- 5 Who was the petite Russian gymnast who won two gold medals and a silver at the 1972 Olympics?
- 6 Which sport has been banned in Sweden since 1970 and Norway since 1981?

FOOTBALL WORLD CUP MEMORIES:

- 1 Which nation who featured in the 2006 World Cup were known as 'The Elephants'?
- 2 600 hooligans were arrested in Berlin after rioting following a game between which two countries?
- 3 Which team was eliminated from the 2006 World Cup unbeaten and without conceding a goal?
- 4 Who were the last African nation to be eliminated from the 2006 World Cup?
- 5 Who became the World Cup's all-time record scorer at Germany 2006?
- 6 The acronym W.A.G.S. could have stood for witches and gold diggers, but what did it really stand for?

TRIVIA

- 1 What 'R' is the Indian dip comprising of Yoghurt, Cucumber and Mint?
- 2 Where in the British Isles is Snaefell the highest mountain?
- 3 What was first sent by a Ray Tomlinson in the autumn of 1971?
- 4 Who wrote the Tales of Peter Rabbit and Jemima Puddleduck?
- 5 In early 2006 what four letter acronym was used to name the hospital super bug?
- 6 Which Australian bird is famous for its laughing sound?

TODAY'S VISITORS

- 1 When Darlington met Swindon Town in a 1990 League Cup tie which former World Cup winner was in charge of the visitors?
- 2 In which year did Swindon Town stun the football world winning the League Cup whilst in football's third tier?
- 3 Which top flight London club did they defeat 3-1 in that League Cup Final?
- 4 What is the home nation of Swindon town keeper, Peter Brezovan?
- 5 Which two Hartlepool players had penalties saved by Peter Brezovan on the seasons opening day?
- 6 Which South American country was the birthplace of Swindon Town's assistant manager, Gus Poyel?

Ratings 25-30 Hot Shot, 20-24 Midfield Maestro, 16-20 Dodgy Keeper, Below 16 Bench Warmer

Answers on Page 49

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Home and 3rd Kit Sale

There are still some sizes left that we will continue to clear at the knockdown prices of £15 for all sizes of shirts and £6 for socks. Or for a straight £20 you can buy the shirt and shorts!

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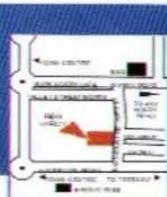
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GAVIN ELLIS

Well I did state that I thought that the Football League was starting at least a fortnight early, however fortunately it seems that disaster was averted on three fronts on the opening day. Firstly after being appointed President of Ipswich Town the grand old man of football, Sir Bobby Robson, was rushed to hospital ten minutes into his new charges game with Crystal Palace after complaining he was feeling unwell. More worryingly though was the collapse of Stoke City star, Luke Chadwick, on the pitch at Southend through of all things dehydration, seven minutes after the half time break and even prompted team mate Michael Duberry to say, "I thought he was going to die". So once again, if anybody from the Football League is reading this, with the exception of the play offs, let us have our late August to late April football season restored. There are those people out here who enjoy cricket as well you know.

The third lucky escape and perhaps the most amazing of all involved officials from our guests and visitors today, Swindon Town. The Robins Chief Executive, Mark Devlin and ten year old son Sam, along with Directors, Bill Power and Mike Sullivan, were flying back to Wiltshire in a light aircraft when the plane suddenly developed engine trouble forcing them to crash land at Denham Golf Club in Buckinghamshire. I am sure everybody at Darlington Football Club hopes that the people involved in this incident have all

made a full recovery and that we can extend a very special welcome to you at the TFM Arena this afternoon. We also hope you have a much less eventful and stress free journey home from the north east this evening.

I have stated before I have the Dennis Bergkamp syndrome where it comes to flying myself. Although I can understand the Swindon officials wanting to fly home from Hartlepool, it is becoming nigh on impossible to get anywhere beyond Manchester or York by train after 7pm on a Saturday evening. Indeed, I bet the Swindon Town side that visited us for a League Cup Tie in 1965 for an evening game had a swifter journey home. At least British Rail ran overnight sleepers in those days. Dr. Beeching you have a hell of a lot to answer for.

Well, on to the opening day of the Premiership, and it is certainly going to seem strange this season without Colin Cooper as part of the Middlesbrough squad after 22 years and no Alan Shearer playing for his hometown club after a decade. The loyalty of these two players making the actions of a certain Shelton Martis last week

questionable. I feel sure most Darlo supporters knew it was inevitable the Dutchman was destined to play at a higher level, but surely he could have had the decency to leave the club after an important fixture rather than de-stabilise the squad 24 hours beforehand. In the late 1980's to the mid 1990's Darlington Football Club seemed to suffer from the 'Scunthorpe Jinx'. It seems that we are now being hit by the 'Boston Bogey' having only picked up one point in five visits to York Street. However, last Saturday's 4-1 crushing may have been a blessing in disguise as we welcome the architect of our downfall, Julian Joachim, into our ranks. Just under two years ago we hammered a certain Southend United side 4-0, they then went on a 19 match unbeaten run and look where they are now.

Well, finally today as Chelsea begin the season as Premiership favourites we welcome two of their old boys to the Arena as Dennis Wise and Gus Poyet now make up the Swindon Town management team. This match has the potential to be a classic, let us hope it lives up to its billing.

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ANDY SMITH

This afternoon we welcome Swindon Town to the 96.6TFM Darlington Arena for the first time. I'm sure that most fans would have been happy with our start to the season a fortnight ago. To win 4-0 in our first game was a great start, and demonstrated that our current side have the potential to do well this season. We then won away at Accrington Stanley, before coming crashing down to earth last Saturday at Boston. It just shows that everybody needs to keep their feet on the ground.

I must say how pleased I was to see Clark Keltie leading the side out. After serious injury problems he has fought his way back, and is playing with the commitment that fans love to see. Well done Kelts, keep up the good work!!

This afternoon I would like to point out the following:-

SPONSOR A GOAL SCHEME

Many regulars will be aware of the 'sponsor a goal' scheme in previous seasons. For those that don't, the idea is very simple. Participants agree to pledge a sum of money for each goal scored by their chosen player, over the season. It is intended that all money raised will assist the youth team. In return, all participants will be entered into a draw to win a season ticket for

2007/2008. Further details and application forms are available at our table in the Tinsed Bar, as well as from our website, www.dfsc.co.uk

COMMENDATION SCHEME

This scheme was introduced last season by the Supporters Club, as a way of recognising people who have made an outstanding contribution towards Darlington Football Club and its fans. Many of you will recall, that two of these awards were made, to Lance Ireland, and Scott Thornberry. The scheme is continuing this season, with any nominations for consideration welcome. For further details please visit our website, or speak to one of our committee members.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership to the Supporters Club is available at a cost of £5 per adult, and £1.50 for juniors. Please visit us in the Tinsed Bar, and speak to Glen or Barbara for further details.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Supporters Club's AGM will take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 19th October 2006, here at the Arena. All members will receive an invitation in due course, and are very welcome to attend. It is also planned that the Supporters Club magazine, the 'Skernsider' will be launched the same evening.

AWAY TRAVEL

The Supporters Club away travel service is proving as popular as ever this season. A full list of prices can be obtained from Glen or Barbara at our table in the Tinsed Bar before each game. Alternatively, you will find a full list of the away travel on our website, www.dfsc.co.uk

In the meantime, the next two away games are as follows:

Tuesday 22nd August 06

Stoke City 15.00pm £15.00

Saturday 26th August 06

Walsall 10.00am £16.00

Various other events and initiatives that we hope will be of interest to you, will be announced in due course.

The Supporters Club are today's official match sponsors. I would like to congratulate the lucky fans who won tickets to be part of the match sponsorship party. These were won by being entered into a free draw on the buses to our first two away games of the season, and others by entering our Supporters Club website competition. Hope you all enjoy your afternoon with us.

Please continue to give Hodgy and the lads your excellent support, enjoy this afternoon's game, and see you next time!!

What a start to the season, lets hope that the people of Darlington rally round and we have a bumper crowd for this afternoon's game. Swindon under my old mate Dennis Wise will be one the League's best teams, so two weeks in we already have a six pointer.

The Jeff Winter Football Phone-in starts again tonight and the views of Darlington fans are always welcome. This season the show is even

longer from 5.30 - 7 pm. With new features and a regular fans report immediately after all games. So give the station that supports Darlington and local football outside the Premiership a voice on 01642 616666, or text us on 84131 starting your message with TFM or email me on jeff.winter@tfmradio.com

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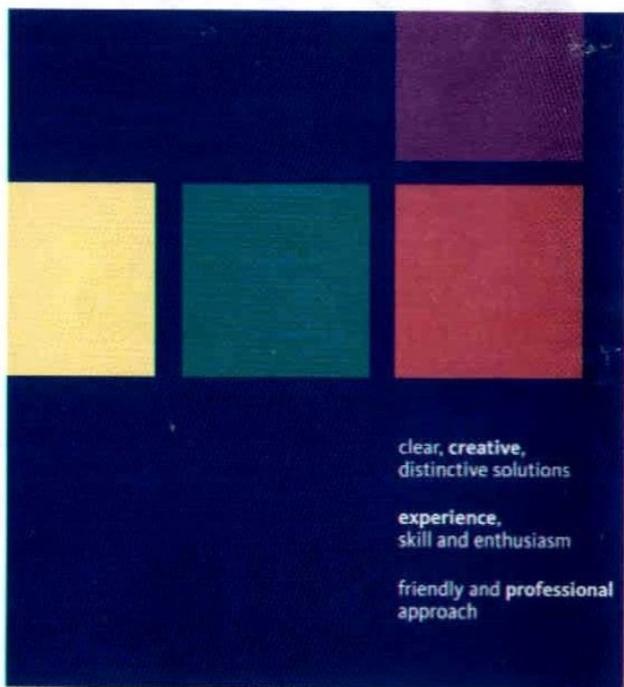
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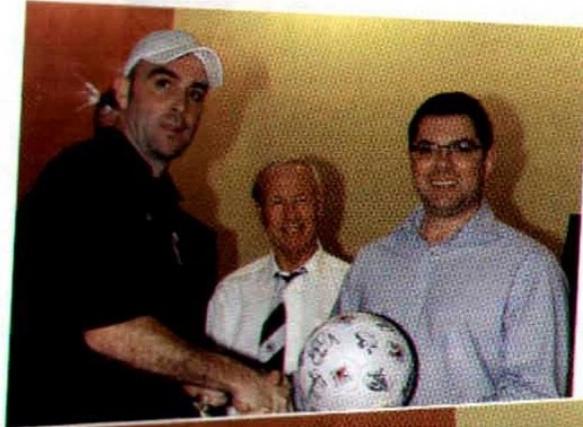
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Mascot with the captains and officials



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A look back at the previous visits to Darlington of today's opponents, Swindon Town and featuring the last match here between the two sides.

We welcome Swindon Town to the Arena for the first time this afternoon, as it is sixteen years since their last visit to Darlington when we met at Feethams in the first-leg of the second round of the Football League Cup (then the Rumbelows Cup) in September 1990. During this period the 'Robins' have experienced an exhilarating climb to reach the Premiership in 1993/4 but after only one season dropped back down again to return this season to the fourth level of English league football. The last of their five league visits to Darlington was twenty years ago in October 1986 and altogether this is the ninth time they have made the long trip up to the North-East in a period of just under a century since they first appeared in 1911 for an F.A. Cup tie!

So our first ever meeting was back in February 1911 when North Eastern League Darlington met Southern League Swindon after the Quakers had reached the last sixteen of the cup by playing eleven games in eight rounds including a 1-0 win over First Division Sheffield United at Bramall Lane. Alas it was the end of our thrilling cup run as Swindon won 3-0 and went on to meet Chelsea in the quarter-finals. It was fifty-two years before the sides

met again in the second round of the Football League Cup when we made our first trip down to the County Ground only to lose 0-4. Only three years passed before we came together again also in the second round of the Football League Cup and it proved to be third time lucky for the Quakers as goals from Bryan Conlon and Jimmy Lawton sent us through to round three. After the match goal hero Jimmy Lawton was transferred to Swindon in a deal that saw Alan Sproates come to us in part exchange.

After these three meetings in cup competitions we finally played a league match in August 1966, following our promotion to the original Division Three, when our first away trip in the new league took us to Swindon where we again lost 0-4. The return game at Feethams was on New Year's Eve of that year when we repeated our success of the previous season winning 2-1 with goals from Les O'Neill and Don Ratcliffe (penalty). We were relegated at the end of the season and did not encounter Swindon until fifteen years later in 1982 when they dropped into the Fourth Division for the first time. We recorded our only double over them in the 1982/3 season winning at home in November with a single Alan Walsh goal and then triumphing

2-1 away thanks to an own goal from keeper Jim Allan and a stunning twenty-five yard drive from Dave McLean. The following season we again won at home by a solitary Alan Walsh goal (this time a penalty) but lost to a Leigh Barnard goal in the away game and in 1984/5 we completed a hat-trick of single goal wins at home when Gary MacDonald hit the winner in front of a 6099 Sunday crowd in December but lost to a late Alan Mayers goal away in April. We were promoted at the end of the season but Swindon followed us up a year later and so we played our last pair of league games against them in 1986/7 in the old Division Three drawing 0-0 at home in October and losing by a last minute David Hockaday goal at Swindon in April.

Their last visit to Darlington, as mentioned earlier, was sixteen years ago in the Rumbelows Cup and this match is featured more fully on the opposite page. So our record at home has seen us lose only once in three cup and five league meetings and that was back in 1911! Let us hope that this good fortune continues this afternoon on our first meeting here in our new surroundings of the Arena.

OUR COMPLETE FOOTBALL LEAGUE RECORD

HOME At Feethams P5 W4 D1 L0 Goals F5 A1 **AWAY** At County Ground P5 W1 D0 L4 Goals F2 A8

last visit to darlington

Darlington 3 Swindon Town 0

25th September 1990 Rumbelow's League Cup Second round - 1sr leg Attendance 4037

Swindon Town last came to Darlington sixteen years ago as a Second Division club (when we had just returned to the Fourth from the Conference) for a second round league cup-tie. Swindon really should have been a top-flight side having beaten Sunderland in the Second Division play-off Final but were denied promotion due to financial irregularities allowing the Wearsiders to go up. Ossie Ardiles' side were dealt a cruel blow just before half-time when new signing Dave Bennett (brother of former Quakers manager Gary) was carried off with a broken leg. This obviously upset the visitors and the Quakers stunned them with three second-half goals to record a handsome victory. David Cork swept in the first from a Gary Gill cross after fifty minutes and also tapped in the third three minutes from time. In between these strikes he was up-ended in the box by Ross MacLaren in the seventy-eighth minute and Frank Gray blasted the penalty to Fraser Digby's right. It looked a sound enough lead to take to Swindon for the second leg but somehow we managed to lose the tie going down 0-4 at the County Ground!

Darlington. Prudhoe, McJannet, Gray, Gill, Smith, Corner, Emson, Toman, Borthwick, Cork, Tait.

Swindon Town. Digby, Kerlake, Bodin, McLoughlin, Bennett (sub White 43), Gittens, Jones, Shearer, Simpson, MacLaren, Foley (sub Buttegeig 48).



David Cork



Frank Gray



webmaster

KEVIN LUFF
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Good afternoon and welcome to our latest home game here at the Arena. The last few days have certainly been busy with Monday proving especially so with the signing of Julian Joachim. Whilst the official site wasn't quite as quick as others with the initial news there was a very good reason for this, once Julian had put pen to paper Quakers World was there for an interview and we also had a chat with Director David Jones. Prior to that all that Hodgy gave his thoughts on the Boston United result as well. Obviously getting the interviews, running them through our encoding process and publishing them does take a bit of time which is the reason why on the surface we may not have been as quick off the mark. Whilst the

other sites may have been first in with the actual news we had the interviews and I think it was worth the extra wait to be honest. They were certainly well received anyway. After the match against Boston we also had a post match chat with assistant manager Mark Proctor about the result.

The Boston result was a disappointing one but its important to remember it is only one game. We've only played three games and thankfully people seem to have remembered that. There is still a lot of hard work to do and we've got plenty of time to bounce back and I'm personally confident the lads will make sure when the end of the season rolls around we'll look at that result as a blip, a rare off-day. Here's hoping we get back on track by the close of play today.



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football in the community

As this is the start of the new season I would just like to make you all aware of the role FITC plays in our community.

WHAT IS DARLINGTON FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY?

Football in the Community is a non-profit making organisation attached to almost every club throughout the leagues. It is run independently from the football club, but working on behalf of the club in various areas in our community.

WHAT IS FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY'S OVERALL AIM AND PURPOSE?

Our aim is to help bring Darlington Football Club and it's community closer together, enabling more people, especially children, to enjoy the national sport, and to play and watch football in a fun and friendly environment. We are involved with boys, girls, disabled and children with learning difficulties.

Darlington FITC sets out to do the following:

- ▶ Encourage more people (especially children) to play football
- ▶ Encourage more people (especially children) to watch football
- ▶ To provide closer links between professional football clubs and the community

- ▶ To encourage more people to become interested and support their local club
- ▶ To maximise community facilities and their company usage of football clubs
- ▶ Where appropriate, club projects may adopt a further aim - to provide temporary and/or gainful employment and training for unemployed people.

HOW DO YOU SURVIVE FINANCIALLY?

We are reliant on local support from businesses and various activities and through the revenue of our 'after schools' programme and holiday courses which allow us to 'set up' the next project or activity.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR INTERESTED PARTIES?

Depending on amounts, anything from hospitality tickets (including meals), advertising around the ground, Matchday programme advertising, company logo on Football in the Community letterheads, sponsors named for activities i.e. Penalty Prize competition. There are also press and TV opportunities, and our correspondence reaches out 1000s of homes in and around Darlington, Co. Durham and North Yorkshire.

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Kevin Stonehouse



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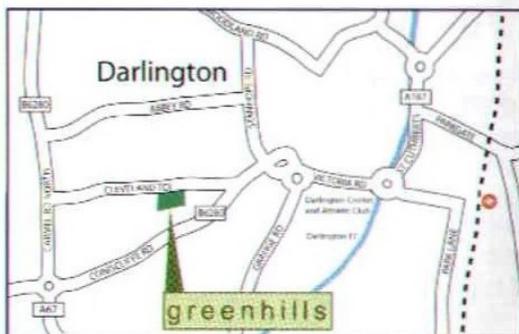
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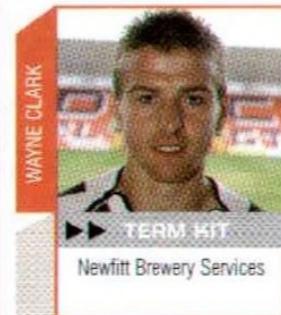
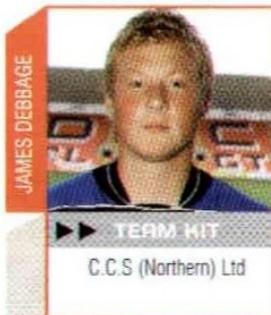
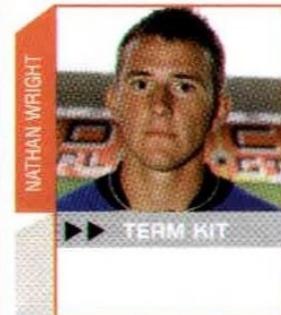
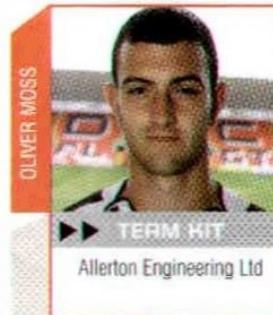
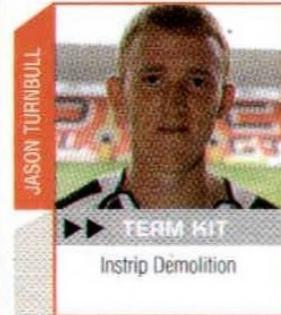
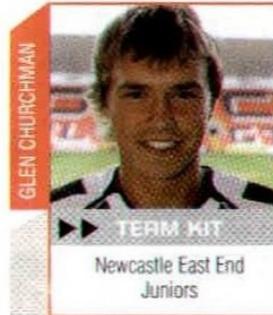
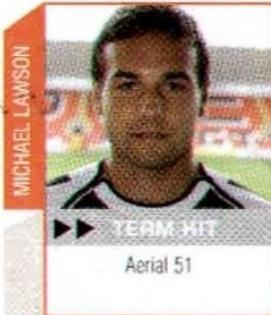
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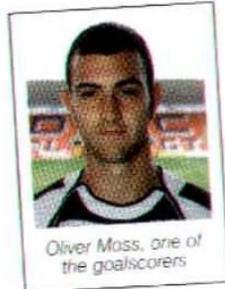
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After a very encouraging pre-season all the players and staff were looking forward to getting the season off to a good start.

The first half was unsettled at times but still showed glimpses of attacking play. During half time Mick and I were able to convey some key points and the second half became very encouraging, not only because we went on to win the game comfortably, but more encouraging was the players ability to process the information and used it to maximize their performance.



Oliver Moss, one of the goalscorers

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All the best, Martin & Mick



MARTIN GRAY



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Sat	Dec 16	Grimsby Town	H	11am
Sat	Jan 6	Chesterfield	H	12 noon
Sat	Jan 13	Boston United	A	12 noon
Sat	Jan 20	Scunthorpe United	A	12 noon
Sat	Jan 27	In service		
Sat	Feb 3	Hartlepool United	A	11am
Sat	Feb 10	Mansfield Town	H	12 noon
Sat	Feb 17	Rotherham United	A	11am
Sat	Feb 24	Puma Youth Alliance Cup Area Q/F		
Sat	Mar 17	Lincoln City	H	12 noon
Sat	Mar 24	Puma Youth Alliance Cup Area S/F		
Sat	Mar 31	York City	H	11am
Sat	Apr 14	Bradford City	H	11am
Sat	May 5	In Service		

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Date	Opponents	Home/Away	Score	Goals	Assists	Pts	Ref	Shirt 1	Shirt 2	Shirt 3	Shirt 4	Shirt 5	Shirt 6
Sat Aug 5	Macclesfield T	H	4-0	4095		1	G Sutton	Russell	Collins	Martis	Hutchinson	James	Keltie
Tue Aug 8	Accrington Stanley	A	2-0	2667	759	2	A R Hall	Russell	Collins	Martis	Hutchinson	James	Keltie
Sat Aug 12	Boston United	A	1-4	1934	366	5	P Robinson	Russell	Collins	Holloway	Hutchinson	James	Keltie
Sat Aug 19	Swindon Town	H											
Tue Aug 22	Stoke City Carling Cup	A											
Sat Aug 26	Walsall	A											
Fri Sep 1	Torquay United	H											
Sat Sep 9	Peterborough United	A											
Tue Sep 12	Bury	H											
Sat Sep 16	Bristol Rovers	H											
Wed Sep 20	Carling Cup 2												
Sat Sep 23	Shrewsbury Town	A											
Tue Sep 26	Mansfield Town	A											
Fri Sep 29	Grimsby Town	H											
Fri Oct 6	Rochdale	H											
Sat Oct 14	Hereford United	A											
Sat Oct 21	Barnet	H											
Wed Oct 25	Carling Cup 3												
Sat Oct 28	Hartlepool United	A											
Fri Nov 3	Chester City	H											
Sat Nov 11	FA Cup 1												
Sat Nov 18	Lincoln City	A											
Sat Nov 25	Milton Keynes Dons	H											
Sat Dec 2	FA Cup 2												
Tue Dec 5	Wycombe Wanderers	A											
Sat Dec 9	Stockport County	A											
Sat Dec 16	Notts County	H											
Sat Dec 23	Wrexham	A											
Tue Dec 26	Mansfield Town	H											
Sat Dec 30	Shrewsbury Town	H											
Mon Jan 1	Bury	A											
Sat Jan 6	Bristol Rovers	A											
Sat Jan 13	Peterborough Utd.	H											
Sat Jan 20	Grimsby Town	A											
Sat Jan 27	Wrexham	H											
Sat Feb 3	Macclesfield Town	A											
Sat Feb 10	Boston United	H											
Sat Feb 17	Swindon Town	A											
Tue Feb 20	Accrington Stanley	H											
Sat Feb 24	Torquay United	A											
Sat Mar 3	Walsall	H											
Sat Mar 10	Rochdale	A											
Sat Mar 17	Hereford United	H											
Sat Mar 24	Hartlepool United	H											
Sat Mar 31	Barnet	A											
Fri Apr 6	Chester City	A											
Mon Apr 9	Lincoln City	H											
Sat Apr 14	Milton Keynes Dons	A											
Sat Apr 21	Wycombe W.	H											
Sat Apr 28	Notts County	A											
Sat May 5	Stockport County	H											

LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	GD
Walsall	3	2	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	9	+5
Swindon	3	2	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	9	+3
Peterborough	3	1	0	0	4	1	1	1	0	1	0	7	+4
Lincoln	3	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	4	2	7	+2
Darlington	3	1	0	0	4	0	1	0	1	3	4	6	+3
Hereford	3	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	0	2	0	6	+3
Chester	3	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	3	3	6	+2
Milton Keynes	3	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	3	3	6	+1
Torquay	3	1	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	6	+1
Wrexham	3	1	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	5	+3
Mansfield	3	1	1	0	3	2	0	1	0	2	2	5	+1
Shrewsbury	3	0	1	0	2	2	1	1	0	3	2	5	+1
Notts Co	3	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	5	+1
Wycombe	3	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	2	4	0
Boston Utd	3	1	0	1	4	2	0	0	1	2	3	3	+1
Bristol R	3	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	1	1	4	3	-3
Grimsby	3	1	0	0	3	2	0	0	2	0	4	3	-3
Accrington	3	1	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	0	2	3	-3
Hartlepool	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	1	-3
Stockport	3	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	3	1	-4
Macclesfield	3	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	4	1	-5
Barnet	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	4	0	-3
Rochdale	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	-3
Bury	3	0	0	2	2	5	0	0	1	1	2	0	-4

starting 11	1st substitute	2nd substitute	3rd substitute	substitute not used					
Ngoma	Cummins	Conlon 3	Giallanza 1	Smith	Duke	Holloway	Johnson	Wainwright	Logan
Ngoma	Cummins 1	Conlon	Giallanza	Smith 1	Duke	Johnson	Logan	Wainwright	Holloway
Ngoma	Cummins	Conlon 1	Giallanza	Smith	Duke	Johnson	Wainwright	Logan	Close

PLAYING TODAY

- Barnet v Hereford United
- Hartlepool United v Torquay United
- Lincoln City v Walsall
- Milton Keynes Dons v Bristol Rovers
- Peterborough v Macclesfield Town
- Rochdale v Notts County
- Shrewsbury Town v Boston United
- Wycombe Wanderers v Bury

20/08/2006

Chester City v Wrexham

APPEARANCES & GOALSCORERS

	League/Goal	Cups/Goal	Season total	DFC career
BRIAN CLOSE	0	0	0	53 + 7s
PATRICK COLLINS	3	0	3	3
BARRY CONLON	3 4g	0	3 4g	127 + 1s 46g
MICKY CUMMINS	3 1g	0	3 1g	3 1g
DAVID DUKE	0 + 3s	0	0 + 3s	17 + 7s 1g
GAETANO GIALLANZA	3 1g	0	3 1g	3 1g
DARREN HOLLOWAY	1 + 1s	0	1 + 1s	1 + 1s
JOEY HUTCHINSON	3	0	3	73 + 2s
CRAIG JAMES	3	0	3	13 1g
JULIAN JOACHIM	0	0	0	0
SIMON JOHNSON	0 + 3s	0	0 + 3s	38 + 10s 7g(3p)
CLARK KELTIE	3	0	3	94 + 27s 5g
CARLOS LOGAN	0 + 1s	0	0 + 1s	28 + 7s 5g
RICHARD LOGAN	0	0	0	0 + 1s
NEIL MADDISON	0	0	0	111 + 15s 4g
SHELTON MARTIS	2	0	2	44 + 1s 2g
MARK MCLEOD	0	0	0	2 + 2s
KALUSIVIKAKO NGOMA	3	0	3	3
ANTHONY PEACOCK	0	0	0	20 + 10s
SAM RUSSELL	3	0	3	86
MARTIN SMITH	3 1g	0	3 1g	3 1g
PHIL STAMP	0	0	0	5 + 4s 1g
NEIL WAINWRIGHT	0 + 1s	0	0 + 1s	162 + 54s 24g

QUIZ ANSWERS

Entertainment

1. Stereophonics.
2. Chris Tate
3. Peter Sellers.
4. League of Gentlemen.
5. Chris Tarrant. 6. Busker.

Football

1. Ivory Coast.
2. Germany & Poland.
3. Switzerland. 4. Ghana.
5. Ronaldo.
6. Wives and Girlfriends

Sport

1. World Darts
2. American Football.
3. Cricket. 4. Ash.
5. Olga Korbut. 6. Boxing

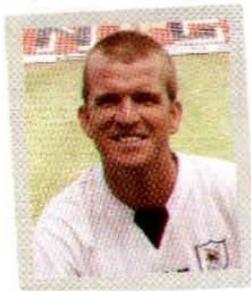
Trivia

1. Raita. 2. Isle of Man.
3. An E-mail.
4. Beatrix Potter. 5. MRSA.
6. Kookaburra.

Swindon Town

1. Ossie Ardiles.
2. 1969. 3. Arsenal.
4. Slovakia.
5. Joel Porter - Ritchie Humphreys. 6. Uruguay

reserves / 06-07



NEIL MADDISON

YORK 0 V DARLINGTON 1

Darlington Reserves kicked off their season this week and earned a hard fought win at York City FC, coming away with a 0-1 victory.

I was really pleased with the players because York played with a really high tempo to the game, we responded well to that and in the end it was a really entertaining match.

Brian Close put in a good performance which was really pleasing considering the injuries he has suffered, but the hard work that he has put in over the close season looks to be paying off.

We started the game with a 4-3-3 formation which worked ok, but I felt that if we were to win the game we needed to change things around a bit, so in the 70th minute we made a few substitutions and changed the formation to a 4 4 2, and after about 3 minutes we took the lead though a great goal scored by Shaun Reay who took his chance superbly.

So overall it's a good start to the campaign but there is still along way to go.

TEAM

Stockdale, Close, Janes, Todd, Clarke, Meye, Wainwright, Johnson, Duke, Peacock, Logan C, Subs (Logan R) Todd 65 mins, (Hardman) Logan C 80mins, (Reay) Johnson

Not used: Armstrong and Mulligan

Today's game is a big fixture, and it will be a real test today for the lads, but with your support I am sure we will get the result we want.

PONTINS HOLIDAY LEAGUE EAST

Wed Aug 16	York City	Away	1-0
Wed Aug 30	Hull City	Home	7pm
Tue Sep 19	Doncaster Rover	Home	7pm
Tue Sep 26	Bradford City	Home	7pm
Wed Oct 11	Grimsby Town	Away	2pm
Mon Oct 16	Sheffield United	Away	7pm
Tue Nov 7	Lincoln City	Home	2pm
Tue Nov 14	Scunthorpe United	Away	2pm
Wed Nov 29	Hartlepool United	Away	2pm
Wed Dec 13	Hartlepool United	Away	7pm
Tue Dec 19	Rotherham United	Home	2pm
Tue Jan 9	York City	Home	2pm
Tue Jan 23	Doncaster Rover	Away	2pm
Wed Jan 31	League Cup Quarter final		
Tue Feb 6	Grimsby Town	Home	2pm
Wed Feb 21	Lincoln City	Away	2pm
Tue Mar 6	Sheffield United	Home	7pm
Wed Mar 21	Hull City	Away	
Wed Mar 28	League Cup Semi Final		
Tue Apr 3	Hartlepool United	Home	7pm
Tue Apr 10	Rotherham United	Away	2pm
Tue Apr 24	Scunthorpe United	Home	2pm

All home games will be played at the 96.6 TFM Darlington Arena. Season ticket holders can gain free admittance to reserve games by use of a reserve match voucher.

PONTINS HOLIDAY LEAGUE EAST

	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Hartlepool United	1	1	0	0	5	1	+4	3
Hull City	1	1	0	0	3	0	+3	3
Scunthorpe United	1	1	0	0	4	2	+2	3
Rotherham United	1	1	0	0	3	2	+1	3
Darlington	1	1	0	0	1	0	+1	3
Grimsby Town	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
York City	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
Sheffield United	1	0	0	1	2	4	-2	0
Lincoln City	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0
Doncaster Rovers	1	0	0	1	1	5	-4	0

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- 7 NEIL WAINWRIGHT
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- 19 MARTIN SMITH
- 20 ALEX JANES
- 21 JOEY HUTCHINSON
- 22 NEIL MADDISON
- 23 SAM RUSSELL
- 24 RICHARD LOGAN
- 25 ALUN ARMSTRONG
- DAVID HODGSON**

swindon town



- 1 PETER BREZOVAN
- 2 JACK SMITH
- 3 JAMIE VINCENT
- 5 JEREL IFIL
- 6 ADY WILLIAMS
- 7 GARETH WHALLEY
- 8 AARON BROWN
- 9 CHRISTIAN ROBERTS
- 10 LEE PEACOCK
- 11 ANDY MONKHOUSE
- 12 RICKY SHAKES
- 14 ANDY GURNEY
- 15 ANDY NICHOLAS
- 16 FOLA ONIBUJE
- 17 CHARLIE COMYN-PLATT
- 18 PAUL EVANS
- 19 MICHAEL POOK
- 20 ROYCE BROWNLIE
- 21 LUKAS JUTKIEWICZ
- 23 CURTIS WESTON
- 25 PHIL SMITH
- DENNIS WISE**

TODAY'S OFFICIALS



Referee:

E L Ilderton



Assistant Refs:

P E Curry



R Tiffin

4th Official:

P Quinn

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TORQUAY UNITED

FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2008

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