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Coca-Cola League Two Saturday 16th September 2006 Kick-Off 3.00pm





Assistant Manager on the season so far

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Review Tuesday nights victory in pictures





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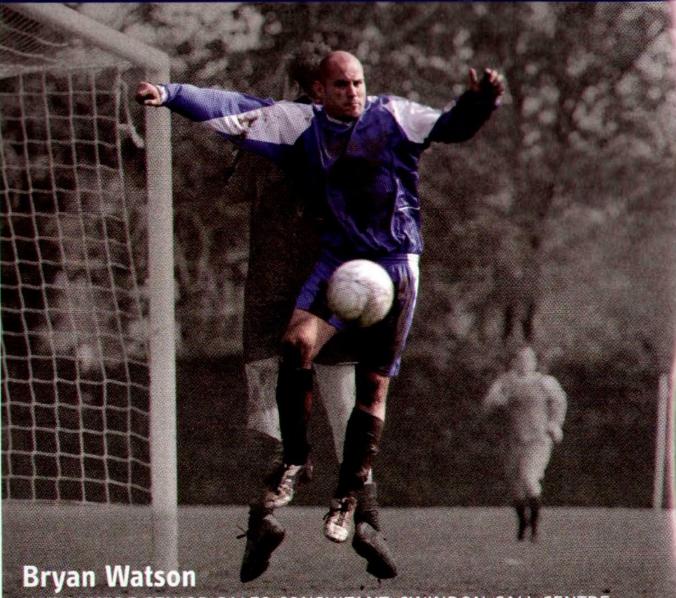






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Paul Evans hammers home Town's second goal of the night on Tuesday to secure all three points against MK Dons. Jack Smith, taker of the equalising penalty, had been forced off early in the second half through injury with Evans stepping up to score the decisive spot-kick.

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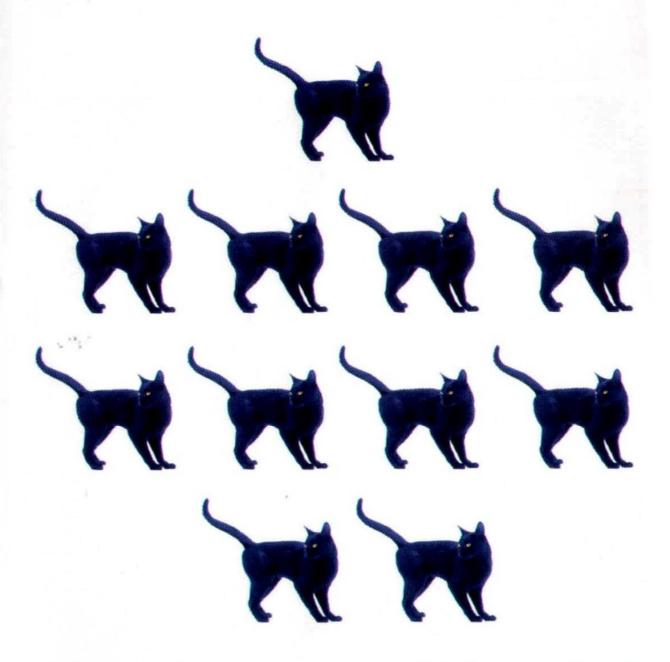
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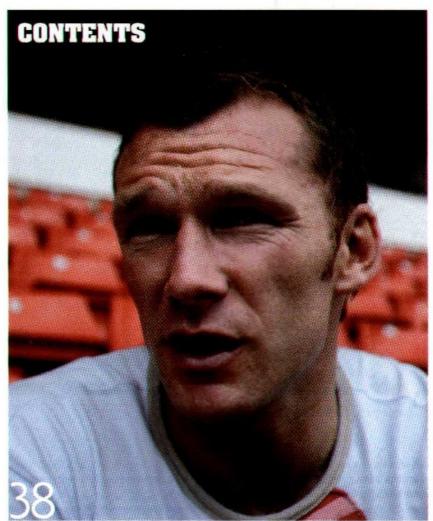
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#### ood afternoon and a warm welcome back for our second home game inside five days.

I must begin by thanking you on behalf of the players and coaching staff for your fantastic support on Tuesday night. There was a tremendous atmosphere inside the ground and night games always make things that little bit special. honesty from the players and as you have all seen we got the result we deserved.

Andy Caton has been a big bonus for us this season. Whilst Andy Monkhouse has been out with injury, 'Cates' has taken his chance and done well. He has pace, lots of ability and will work hard for the team. He has an awful lot of talent but we are not scared of throwing him in. Andy Monkhouse is

We have played well in the games so far but we cannot afford to let complacency set in. Today's game is a massive one and every match is like a cup final for us and that's the way we are approaching things...

Overall I thought we had the better chances in the game but went a goal down when we shouldn't have. It was a tough battle but that's the way Martin Allen likes to play. They are a big, tough side but we had a lot of personalities in the side and came through.

MK Dons are one of those sides going for it but we looked ok and put them under a lot of pressure. I thought we were very unlucky not to have had another penalty before the first one. Jack stepped up, felt comfortable and put it away well. I expect

recovering well from his hamstring injury and we could see him back in some sort of action sooner rather than later.

Paul Ince made his full debut for us on Tuesday night and steadied the ship. We needed a little more experience in there and he gave us that. I think he was suffering though after playing his first full game in a while but he was great for us and we are delighted to have him on board and part of the squad.

The league table shouldn't be interesting



the players at this point in time. They don't need to be worrying about it, I just want them to take each game as it comes. Just because we have done well for eight games means nothing. There are a lot of games to go and we have to keep doing what we are doing and then see where we are. The coaching staff know the targets we set and that's for us to look at.

The Wrexham game was a setback for us but I won't accept people saying they have had a bad day at the office. I got the response we all wanted with a win against MK Dons. I would have been very, very disappointed if we had not got a positive reaction. I believe in the players and the players believe in the management. We are all a close knit group and we work for each other. I help them as much as I can and they help me. If it doesn't work like that then at the end of the day it's not good enough.

Defensively things have gone ok for us so far but I was disappointed with the goals we conceded last Saturday. The goals we conceded were from set-pieces; a free-kick and a throw in. The lads know their jobs and we have worked hard to work as a unit.

We have played well in the games so far

but we cannot afford to let complacency set in. Today's game is a massive one and every match is like a cup final for us and that's the way we are approaching things. We need to get a result and if a few of the players are not at it then they know they won't stay on the pitch.

Peterborough will make life hard for us today but we are confident. They come here on the back of a defeat but we must be on our guard against that. They have a few players missing through injury, two important players which is a plus for us. We not be taking things for granted and our players will be told time and time again just how important this game is for us.

With your fantastic support again - I'm sure we can achieve the result we want.

Enjoy the game.



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## ROOM NOTES

Chairman, Willie Carson



ood afternoon and I would Glike to welcome the Players, Officials and Supporters of Peterborough United who have made the journey to Wiltshire from London Road for today's game.

What a fantastic turnout on Tuesday night by our fans! It was like returning to the old days and the team certainly didn't let us down. The first twenty minutes or so looked as though we were going to be in for a mountain to climb, but after

defender Jack Smith put the ball on the spot, but any fears were allayed when he sent the MK Dons keeper the wrong way to draw us level without further ado.

Going in at half-time the game was nicely poised with all Swindon fans hoping we could get that crucial second goal. In the end it was a great run from young Andy Caton to set up the second penalty. Paul Evans stepped up and smashed the ball into the corner of the net and scored

commitment to the management team. MK Dons were a strong side, but we dealt with the closing stages very well and the spirit was there for all to see.

The crowd were well entertained. that's for sure. There was a tremendous amount of energy coming from the stands crowd and the old cliché of the crowd being the twelfth man came true. You really made yourselves heard throughout the game so a big well done and thanks to you all!

Hopefully you can all be the twelfth man again this afternoon with Peterborough United the visitors. We are still at the top of the League Two table with just one defeat against our name. Not every match has been a good game of football, but we are all being entertained and let's hope the goals keep coming along the way to another home win today.

Enjoy the game and keep up the vocal support.

Willie Carson

Both teams desperately wanted to win the game and it was like a cup tie at times. The last five minutes saw us come under a lot of pressure but our defenders showed tremendous determination...

settling into the game we emerged with the three points we all wanted. After going 1-0 down Paul Ince won our first penalty. There had been several penalty appeals before when Christian Roberts and Curtis Weston had gone down in the box, so we were all relieved when the referee pointed to the spot after consultation with the linesman. A few eyebrows were raised when

what proved to be the winner.

Both teams desperately wanted to win the game and it was like a cup tie at times, so hard and true. The last five minutes saw us come under a lot of pressure but our defenders showed tremendous grit and determination. They were throwing themselves in front of the ball and perhaps typical of our team spirit at the moment and their

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here are still spaces available for the club's next Sporting Dinner with Graham Poll on Thursday 12th October 2006.

One of the top Premier League and FIFA World Cup Referees, Graham refereed three games in this year's World Cup tournament, but in his last game, gave out three yellow cards to one player causing headlines and unwanted

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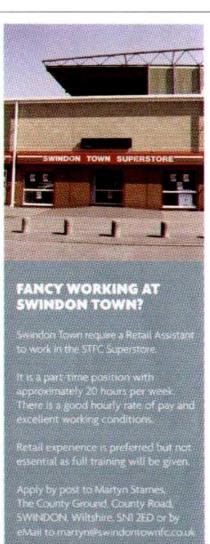
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Saturday 9th September 2006

Racecourse Ground, 3pm Referee: 5 Mathieson Attendance: 5,257

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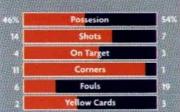
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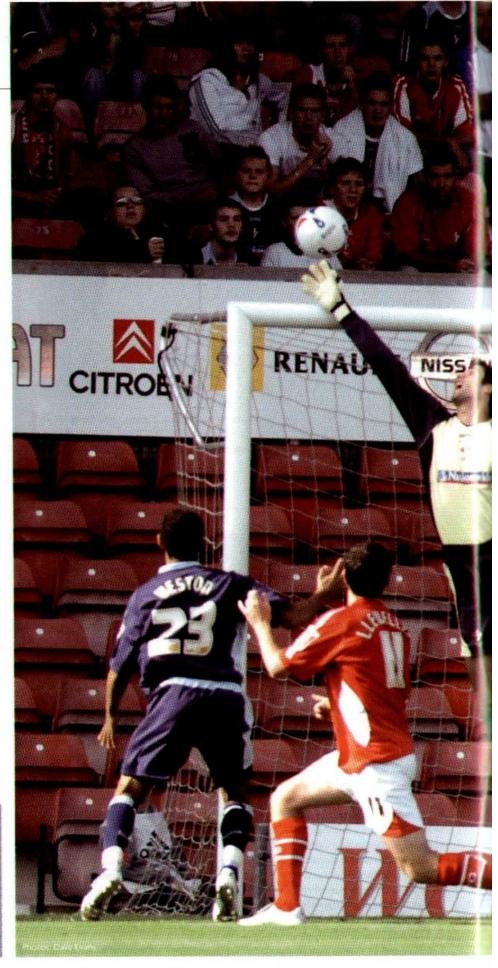
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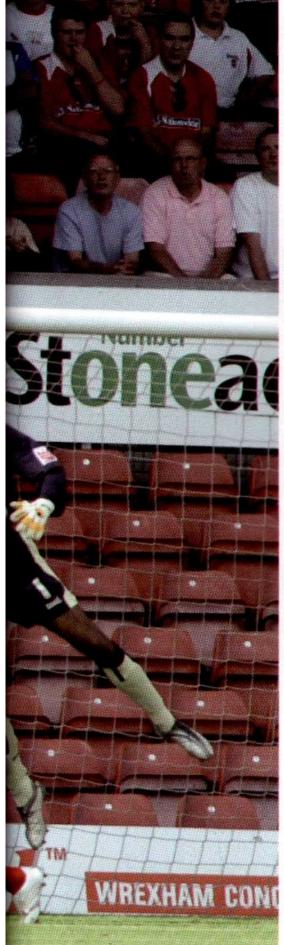
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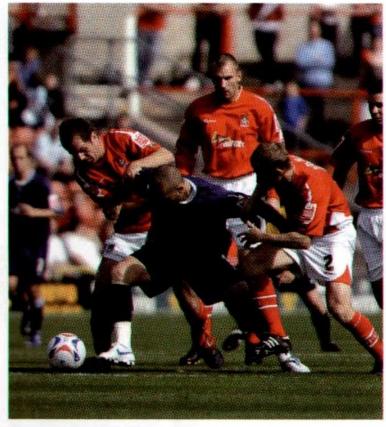
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#### MATCH STATS











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## They said what...?!

"We have been beaten but now we have to bounce back as soon as we can. I have a lot of quality in my dressing room but if we don't match other teams' effort we will find life difficult."

Dennis Wise. Swindon Town Manager









#### Tuesday 12th September 2006

County Ground, 7.45pm Referee: K Stroud Attendance: 8,304

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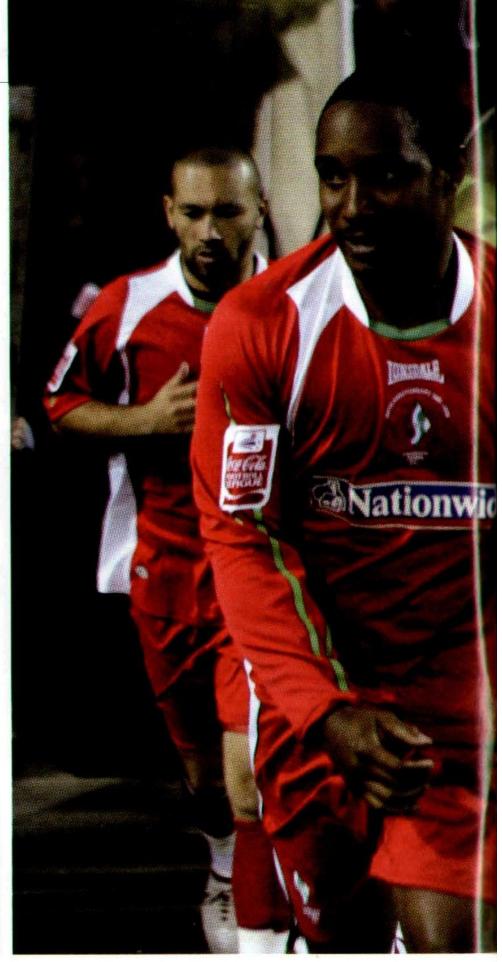
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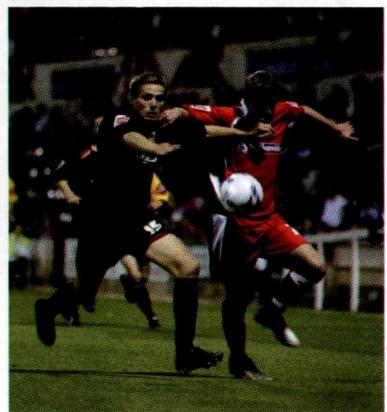
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Dennis Wise Swindon Town Manager



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# WIN A SIGNED PAUL EVANS SHIRT

Has the picture of Paul Evans you are looking at been signed by the man himself and stamped with the official club logo? If so, you'll be leaving The County Ground today with his shirt! The shirt is branded with the player's name and number, and Paul has signed the back. Please make yourself known to the nearest steward, and you will be presented with your prize on the pitch during the half time break. If you haven't been lucky enough to win this week, don't despair; remember to get yourself a copy of the action packed STFC

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Pictured above is Hannah Lee & family after Tuesday night's game against MK Dons, where she was the winner of the signed Lee Peacock shirt



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## PRING COLUMN



#### ood afternoon and welcome back for this afternoon's game.

Today we have another home game against Peterborough United. I played with Trevor Benjamin at Coventry City for a short while when he was on loan there and of course Barry Fry will be here today. I always enjoy listening to his comments and the TV programme has also brought 'The Posh' to the fore as well.

Tuesday's game against MK Dons was played at a really high tempo from the off and I would imagine that they will be one of the sides chasing for promotion at the end of the season. We showed great character to come back from a goal down, especially after the Wrexham result. I'm sure people would have been asking questions of us after that defeat, but the lads did really well to get back on track in taking all three points.

We have an experienced squad here now and every single player can

come into the side and do a great job. Competition for places is high but with the recent injuries we have show that we have the strength in depth to cope with what is thrown at us. The lads that have the shirts at the moment are the fortunate ones because we are up at the top of the table and winning games.

The League Two table has been extremely close so far this season. We have made a fantastic start but still have just a one-point cushion which illustrates the competitive nature of the division. It is important that we keep our foot on the gas because there are some good side such as Wycombe Wanderers and Lincoln City chasing our heels. We have set our standards high and we have to keep them that way. The pressure is to perform week in week out as the manager has stated and not worry too much about our league position.

Today's visitors Peterborough lost 5-0 at Walsall in midweek but it was not a walkover. They had chances to score and we know that today will not be an easy game. Peterborough have pace in their ranks and having had them watched, we know what to expect from them.

Our fans have been fantastic all season and Tuesday night illustrated that fact. They kept singing throughout the game and even when we went a goal down, you kept with us. Football is like any other business or sport because confidence is a big thing. When a crowd is on your side and cheering your name it is great and transpires to give the lads confidence on the pitch.

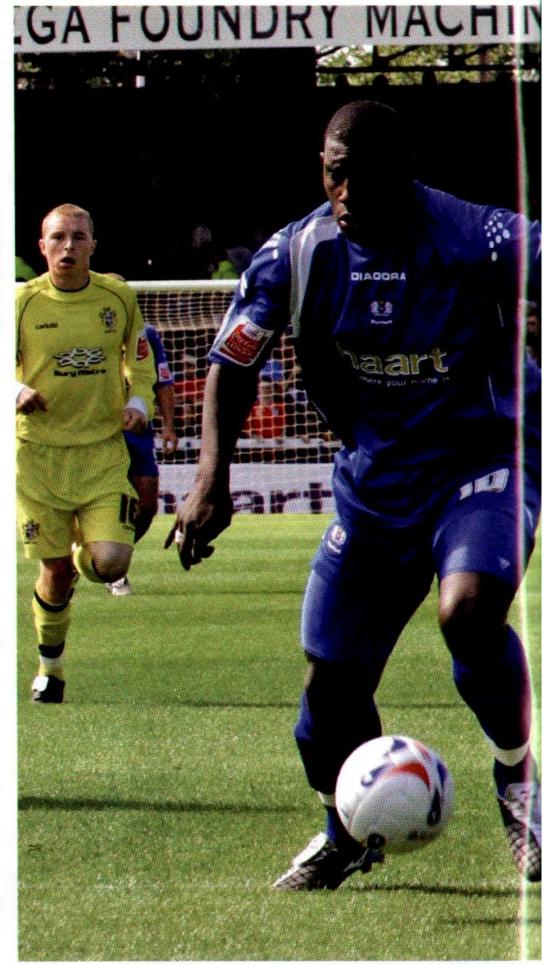
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#### MANAGER

#### KEITH ALEXANDER

Keith Alexander was named manager of Peterborough United at the end of May 2006 after leading Lincoln City to the Play-Offs last season.

He joined Lincoln City for the second time as manager on May 5 2002, almost nine years after first being appointed in the post. He succeeded Alan Buckley as the Red Imps' boss, having worked as his number two since July 2001, when he returned to Sincil Bank as 'Director of Coaching'.

Keith had resigned from his role as manager of conference side Northwich Victoria to return to Lincoln after saving the Cheshire side from relegation. Prior to that, Alexander had been the manager of Midlands side Ilkeston Town and had worked as a coach at Mansfield Town having finished his playing days with The Stags.

He originally joined Lincoln City as a player, in December 1990, before becoming the youth team coach and then, in May 1993, the manager. Alexander's playing career began at Barnet, where he spent a season, before being signed by Alan Buckley for Grimsby Town. After a couple of seasons at Blundell Park, Keith transferred to Stockport County, but moved on, after just three months, to Lincoln.





# PETERBOROUGH

Welcome to the County Ground this afternoon for our second home match in five days. Barry Fry's Peterborough United are today's opposition as both clubs attempt to build on their early results.

Just as last Tuesday night brought some familiar faces back to Wiltshire, today's game could see the return of one or two more who have worn the red and white of Swindon.

Trevor Benjamin can point to a goal scoring record, both for and against Town last season. After scoring the penalty that eliminated us from the League Cup, Trevor managed two goals in eight matches during a three-month loan spell here at the County Ground. He returned to London Road as last season came to a close and has already knocked in three goals this term.

He's partnered up front by Lloyd Opara, who started 2004/05 here at Swindon after joining from Grays Athletic in the summer.

Lloyd though found it difficult to settle in Wiltshire and left the club in September after just one League Cup appearance, returning to League football from Cheshunt last April. He is also already off the mark in front of goal this campaign.

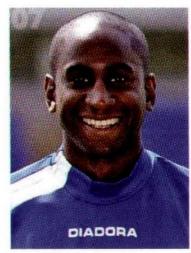
Ahead of last Tuesday's game at Walsall Posh sat ninth in the League Two table, undefeated on their travels and yet to concede a goal. Two 0-0 draws and a 1-0 win suggested that the Saddlers would have their work cut out to beat Boro keeper Mark Tyler.

At home though it's a different story. Successive defeats led manager Keith Alexander to threaten changes for the game at the Bescot.

An interesting encounter awaits.









# PETERBOROUGH

#### MARK TYLER Goalkeeper

A fans favourite, Goalkeeper Mark Tyler is the longest serving player at London Road and is currently in his testimonial year at the club. A good shot-stopper, he has been included in several PFA teams of the year and has been a consistent performer down the years. Has been ever present so far this season.

#### **DEAN HOLDEN** Defender

Right-sided defender who made the move to Peterborough from League One outfit Oldham Athletic. Was handed the Posh captaincy by Mark Wright and showed his versatility last season by playing in a variety of positions, although right-back is his preferred spot in the team.

#### JUDE STIRLING Defender

A versatile performer, Stirling can play in a variety of positions, but prefers full-back. Played under Keith Alexander at Lincoln at the back end of the 2005-2006 campaign and agreed a switch to London Road on a one-year contract in the close season. Also has a prodigious long throw.

#### MARK ARBER Defender

South African centreback who returned to London Road from League One rivals Oldham Athletic. Arber left Posh to join Oldham in the summer of 2004, but struggled to hold down a regular place at the Latics and Barry Fry brought the composed centre back to Posh.

#### **GUY BRANSTON** Defender

Robust central defender who is in his third spell at London Road after two previous loan stints with the club. Started his career as a trainee at Leicester City and made his mark at Rotherham United before signing for Oldham Athletic where he spent last season. A fans favourite with the Posh faithful.

#### **CHRIS PLUMMER** Defender

Defender who made the move to London Road from Barnet. signing a two year deal in September 2004. The former Queen's Park Rangers centre back settled quickly into life at Peterborough and looked commanding in the air as well as talented on the deck.

#### ADAM NEWTON Midfielder



Talented midfield man who was signed by Barry Fry from Premiership West Ham United. The winger put pen to paper on a three-year contract and followed in the footsteps of Tom Williams and Jimmy Bullard who moved to Peterborough United from Upton Park.

## 8 RICHARD BUTCHER Midfielder

Talented midfielder who made the switch from Oldham Athletic to London Road to become Keith Alexander's second signing. A former Lincoln City player, he has a good eye for goal and scored four goals during his spell with the Latics. Scored in the 4-1 win over Bristol Rovers on the opening day of the season.

## 9 JUSTIN RICHARDS

Justin was signed from Nationwide Conference outfit Woking to become Keith Alexander's first signing for Peterborough United. He scored 22 goals for Woking in the 2005-2006 campaign and is raring to go in the Football League after two previous unsuccessful stints in the league.





## TREVOR BENJAMIN

Big striker who moved to London Road after turning down a contract with Coventry City. Has played at the highest level with Leicester City and once moved for £1.5 million. Spent the latter part of the 2005/06 season with Swindon Town after being drafted in on loan in the unsuccessful fight against the drop from League One, scoring two goals in eight appearances for the Robins.

#### PAUL CARDEN Midfielder

Holding midfielder who followed Mark Wright to Peterborough, agreeing a deal to move from Chester City. A tough-tackling player, he always gives 100% and will run through a brick wall for the team as he proved on numerous occasions last term. Back in the squad after recovering from a hernia operation.

#### LLOYD OPARA Striker

Signed by Andy King for Swindon Town at the start of the 2004/05 season but failed to settle at The County Ground, and after just one substitute appearance against Rushden & Diamonds, returned to his native London. Moved to The Posh from nonleague Cheshunt and scored his first Posh goal in the final away game of the 2005-2006 season.

## **DANNY CROW**

Powerful striker who finished top scorer for Peterborough United in the 2005-2006 campaign with 17 goals. A hard-working front man, he works the channels well and links the play excellently. A former Norwich City youngster who also featured for Northampton Town during a loan spell.

#### JAMIE DAY Midfielder

Young winger who broke into the first team during the 2005-2006 campaign. His performances saw him scoop the Young Player of the Year award and he capped the year with his first senior goal for the club in the 4-1 win over Bury.

#### SIMON YEO Striker

Yeo moved to Peterborough from Lincoln City and scored his first goal for the club in the 4-1 opening day win over Bristol Rovers. An experienced marksmen who has a great goal-scoring record, despite coming into the professional game at a late age. Has a good touch, works hard and knows where the back of the net is.

++ Other players include former Lincoln City midfielder Peter Gain, academy products Adam Fry and Stuart Wall, and another former Lincoln player Ben Futcher, who joined Posh from Grimsby Town in the summer.



Record win: 9-1 vs Barnet, Sep 1998 Record defeat: 1-8 vs Nhampton, Dec 1946 Record attendance:

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League Position: 9th, League Two FA Cup: 1st round (replay) League Cup: 1st round LDV Trophy: Area Quarter-Final Most appearances: Mark Arber, 52 Top goalscorer: Danny Crow, 17 Average attendance: 4,364

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## HRGIAN BREAK

with Sarah Mildenhall & Ben Lambert



#### ood afternoon and welcome Gto all our corporate guests for today's match against Peterborough United.

Tuesday saw the first of our corporate event of the season with our 'Game of Two Halves'. After registration at Broome Manor Golf Club at around 10.30am, the teams enjoyed bacon rolls and refreshments before heading off out for a round of golf which became more competitive as the day progressed!

After the last ball was holed, the score cards were collected with our guests heading off to The County Ground for their pre-match meal. We were joined by Club Patron Mike Spearman and Assistant Manager Gus Poyet to present the prizes to the winning teams in the Matchday Sponsors Suite. The results were as follows:

1st Place - King Lifting 2nd Place - Elite Contract Services

Nearest the Pin - Scott Brighty Longest Drive - Jon James

There will be full review and picture

special in the next edition of STFC Magazine against Boston United on Saturday 30th September.

We would like to thank all the teams who took part and I am sure they will agree it was a fantastic day topped off with a fine 3 points against MK Dons.

We are still taking bookings for the Sporting Dinner with Graham Poll and Nookie the Bear on Thursday 12th October, Individual tickets are priced at £49.50 plus vat, tables of 10 £495 plus vat and tables of 12 at £585. plus vat. The ticket includes a high quality three-course meal and if you would like to book your place, please contact me on 01793 333718 or email sarah@swindontownfc.co.uk

Finally, I would like to welcome a special guest, Desmond Lloyd who has been a Town supporter for many years and is here today in the Platinum Lounge. We hope you enjoy your day Desmond!!

Enjoy the game,

Sarah



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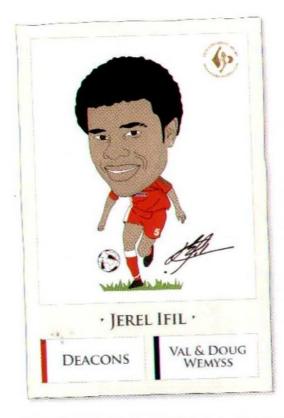
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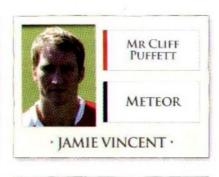
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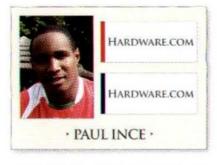
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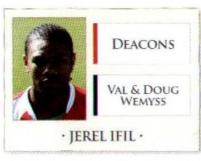
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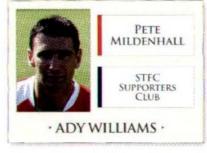


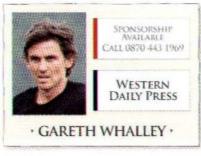




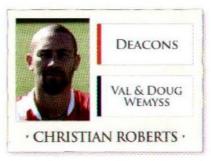


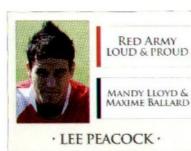


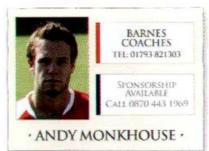


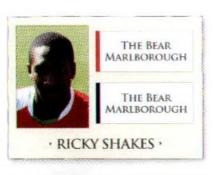


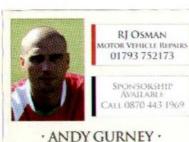


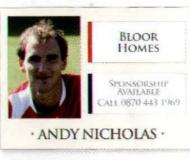


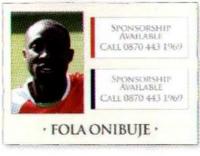






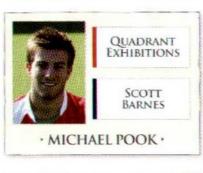


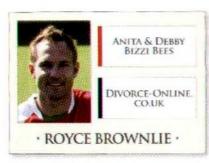




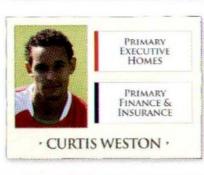


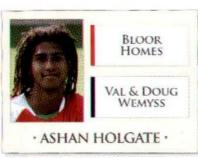


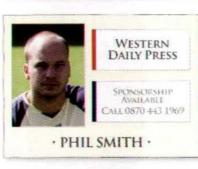


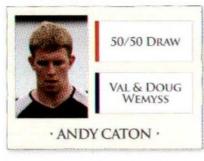


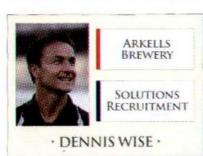


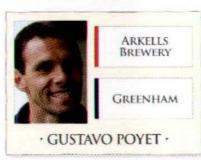


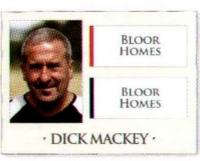


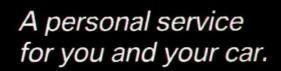






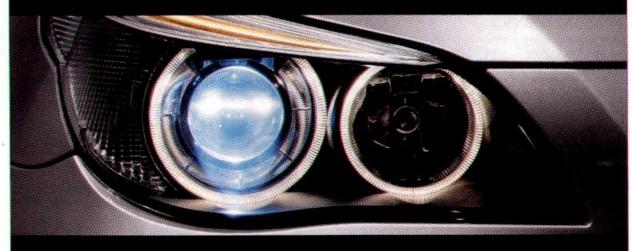












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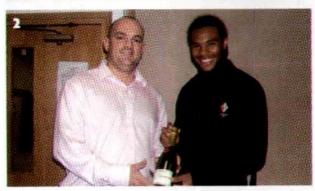


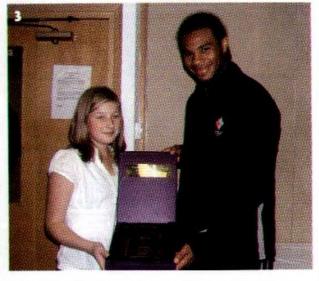


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Picture 1: Match Sponsors and Mascots line-up with Captains and Officials prior to kick-off against MK Dons; Pic 2: A representative from Match Sponsors Go New Recruitment present Jerel Ifil with his Man of the Match Champagne; Pic 3: Jerel Ifil presents Paige Newdick from Match Sponsors Greenbridge MOT with their Trophy.

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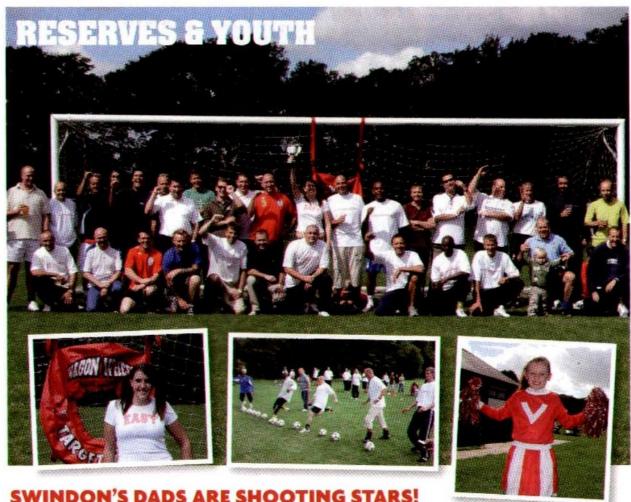
We would like to welcome back for the second time this season, the 'die hard' supporters of Nationwide Block 6. With an ever growing list of supporters we would like to wish: Mark Bowler, John Bowler, Jerry May who dazzled us all with his golfing skills at the recent Game of Two Halves, Dave Rogers, Mark Edwards, Glyn Cooper, Mark Cooper, Ian Wood, Neil Wood, Paul Furweather, Mark Thrush, John Thrush, John Huddy, Ian Huddy and Stuart Davies and enjoyable day in the Sponsors Lounge. Finally we have been informed that Ian Huddy is celebrating his birthday - so drinks are on him!!!

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SWINDON'S DADS ARE SHOOTING STARS!

t was Fathers Day all over again for Swindon Town Football Club this Bank Holiday Sunday! But it was all in aid of a good cause because the dads in question were raising funds for their sons, who are all up and coming stars at Town's Centre of Excellence.

Some 42 dads lined up to compete in Swindon Town's own version of 'Soccer AM', hosted at the club's training ground at Wanborough. There were seven teams and each had to take part in the challenges, which included 'Crossbar Challenge' hitting the bar from the 18 yard box; chip the golf ball into a bucket and a penalty shoot-out, with the dads having to put a goal past 15-year old, Milk Cup Champion goalie supremo Jason Hull. Their finale was an event entitled 'Road to Wembley', in which each team of dads had two minutes to shoot the football through a blowup wagon wheel target!

Each dad's team was made up of six

players, all of whom have sons playing for the Centre of Excellence. Tony Thompson has two sons at the Centre - he also manned the barbecue in between events! It was a starstudded line up, for the captain of one of the teams was none other than former Jamaican World cup player, Manchester City and Swindon Town midfielder Fitzroy Simpson whose son Jake plays for the Centre.

After a fierce competition the victorious team were the dads representing the Under 12s boys team. Winning captain Terry Plank said: 'The mums did their bit to raise funds for the Centre a couple of years ago by doing an amazing calendar in the style of Calendar Girls. They raised over £7,000, which is a difficult act to follow! But we hope that we have at least shown willingness today!'

The event attracted some 300 visitors. There was a contest on the day for the best dressed Junior Soccerette, a sponsored mile Fun Run, which

the Centre of Excellence youngsters took part in and there was also an exhibition training session by the youngest trainees, the Under Nines.

At the time of going to press they were still adding up the figures, but Youth Administrator Karen Ainscow says they are hoping to have raised in the region of £1,000.

Swindon Town's Under 14s side at the Centre of Excellence have only recently returned from Ireland. where they won the Youth Milk Cup Tournament and are now setting their sights high for next season, hoping that the money raised over the Bank Holiday weekend will enable them to go back next year to defend their title.

If you are a parent interested in helping out at the Centre of Excellence or an individual or business interested in sponsoring a team then please contact Karen Ainscow at Swindon Town FC by emailing karen@ swindontownfc.co.uk.



**SWINDON TOWN U-18's SOUTHEND UNITED U-18's** Saturday 9th September 2006, Wanborough

Swindon Town recorded a 2-0 Youth Alliance Cup group victory over Southend United last Saturday thanks to goals from Chris Allen and Mustapha Carayol.

Under 18's manager David Lee named the same line-up that had faced Gillingham the previous week in the first group game. After a below-par first half, the first goal came just after the break. Following a Southend corner, Town keeper Jon Stewart claimed the ball before setting up Sam Morris with a long throw. Morris advanced into the Southend half before threading through a pass to Carayol (pictured above), who beat two players before firing the ball into the net to make it 1-0.

The second goal came after a Town break, with Jeff Cavey pulled down inside the box. Chris Allen stepped up and hit a well-placed penalty to secure a successive cup victory for Lee's men, with the manager giving his views after the game.

"It was scrappy game overall. We were poor first half and had too many players not on their game. A few just thought they could turn up and get a result. At half-time we had a few words because a few of them needed livening up. Thankfully it had the desired effect.

"Mustapha took his goal well and we were pleased with the second half display which sets us up nicely for the next cup game," finished Lee.

Swindon Town were due to face Colchester United at the training ground this morning in the third group game.

Town Line-up: Jon Stewart, Andy Westall, Scott Doe, Tom Evans, Callum Kennedy, Mustapha Carayol, Chris Allen, Sam Morris, Alex Rigley, Luke Hopper, Jake Hyde. Subs: Kurt Hammond, Chris Fower, Jeff Cavey.

RESE	RVES 06/07		
Aug 15	YEOVIL	H	2-2
Aug 30	Weymouth	Α	0-1
Sep 20	Cardiff	Α	2pm
Oct 10	PLYMOUTH	Н	7µm
Oct 17	BRISTOL ROVERS*	H	2pm
Nov 7	Bristol City	A	7pm
Nov 14	CHELTENHAM*	H	2рт
Dec 6	Swansea	A,	7pm
Dec 12	EXETER	H	7pm
Jan 10	Yeovil	A	2pm
Jan 23	CARDIFF	Н	7pm
Feb 6	Plymouth	A	7pm
Feb 21	BRISTOL CITY	H	7pm
Mar 5	Bristol Rovers	A	2pm
Mar 20	WEYMOUTH	Н	7pm
Apr 3	Exeter	A	7pm
Apr 10	SWANSEA	Н	7pm
Apr 24	Cheltenham	A	2pm

Swindon Town's reserves will be playing their home games at Hunts Copse, the home of Swindon Supermarine this season. Home reserve games will now kick-off at 7pm on Tuesday nights.

Entry is still free for Season Ticket holders, otherwise tickets are priced at £3 for adults and £1 for concessions.

(\*Played at The County Ground)

TABLE 06/0	7			
	P	PTS	GD	
BRISTOL CITY	2	4	+6	
EXETER CITY	2	4	+2	
PLYMOUTH	2	4	+1	
WEYMOUTH	7	4	+1	
SWANSEA CITY	2.	3	-1	
CARDIFF CITY	2	2	0	
CHELTENHAM	2	1	4	
YEOVIL TOWN	2	3	-1	
SWINDON TOWN	2	1	-1	
BRISTOL ROVERS	2	1	-6	

YOUT	'HS 06/07		
Aug 12	YEOVIL	Н	4-2
Aug 19	Hereford	A	6-0
Sep 2	Gillingham (rac)	A	2-0
Sep 9	SOUTHEND (YAC)	H	2-0
Sep 16	COLCHESTER (MC)	H	12pm
5ep 23	PLYMOUTH	H	Ham
Sep 30	Bournemouth	A	Ilam
Oct 7	B'MOUTH (MG	Н	Harri
Oct 14	Brighton (WC)	A	Tlam
Oct 21	CHELTENHAM	H	Bam
Oct 28	Oxford United	A	Nam
Nov 4	SWANSEA	H	Tlam
Nov 18	Oxford Utd (NAC)	A	Ilam
Dec 9	BRISTOL ROVERS	Н	Ram
Dec 16	Cheltenham	A	Ilam
Jan 6	BOURNEMOUTH	Н	Ham
Jan 13	Swansea	A	Ham
Feb 3	OXFORD UTD	Н	Ilam
Feb 17	Bristol Rovers	A	Nam
Mar 17	Yeavil Town	A	Ham
Mar 31	HEREFORD	H	Nam
Apr 14	Plymouth	A	Nam

Under 18's home games are played at the Wanborough Training Ground, with kick-off at 11am.

\*All fixtures & times subject to change without prior notice (both Reserve and Youth games).

TABLE 06/0	7		
	P	PTS	GD
SWINDON TOWN	2	6	+8
CHELTENHAM	2	6	+7
SWANSEA CITY	2	4	+4
OXFORD UNITED	2	4	+1
BRISTOL ROVERS	1	1	0
BOURNEMOUTH	2	1	-1
PLYMOUTH	1	0	-2
YEOVIL TOWN	2	0	-6
HEREFORD	2	0	-11

#### IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Find out a little more about this year's youth teamers...

Name: Sam Morris

Age: 16

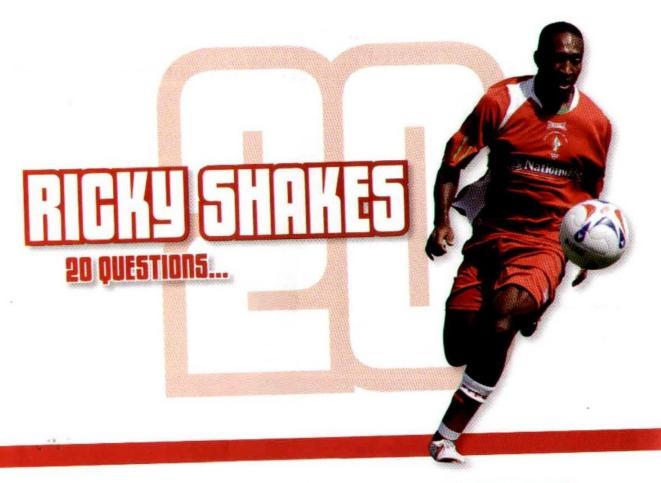
Hometown: Swindon Position: Centre midfield. Previous club: None

Team supported: Newcastle Utd

Ambitions in football: To make it as a professional

Favourite film: Troy Favourite food: Chinese





In the last edition of STFC
Magazine we asked you, the fans,
to send in your questions for Town
midfielder Ricky Shakes. Here are
some of the best...

#### Do still have your Fiat Punto?

Lauren Davidge, via e-mail

Yes, I still have it and it's running well. I want to keep it for quite a few more miles yet!

#### What is your pre-match meal?

Lauren Davidge, via e-mail

It's usually pasta and chicken with a carbonara sauce.

Did not playing for the Trinidad and Tobago Under 21's harm your World Cup chances?

Martin Smith, Stonehouse

I was disappointed to miss out on the World Cup and perhaps not playing in the Under 21 side did hinder my chances. I was gutted but these things happen in football.

#### What was it like to play a part in Trindad and Tobago's World Cup warm-up game?

Jordan Fitchett, via e-mail

It was a great experience for me to be training and playing alongside the likes of Dwight Yorke and Stern John.

### What were you called at school?

I was called Ice Cube because I was always as cool as ice. Some people still call me it because I am a fairly relaxed person.

What did you know about the club before coming here?

Paul Maine, via e-mail

Honestly, I didn't know a lot about Swindon before coming here.

> If I said "Don Rogers" what

#### would that mean to you?

Paul Maine, via e-mail

He used to play for Swindon and scored when they won the League Cup.

### What was the last film you saw?

Snakes on a Plane.

#### Who runs the dressing room?

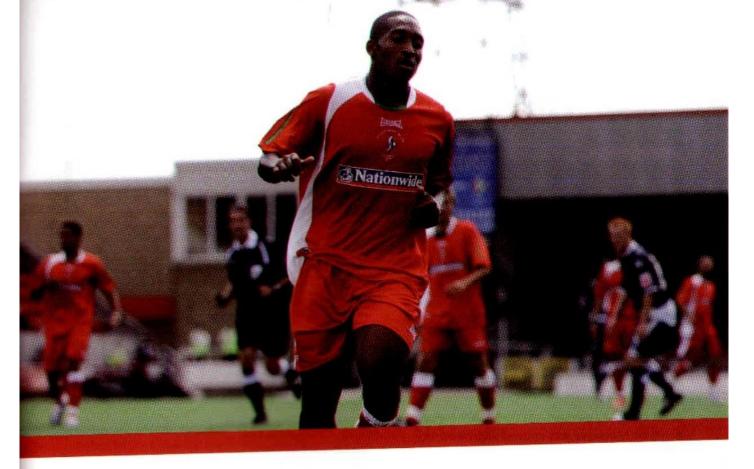
'Robbo' stands out the most. He is always talking and making jokes and is a very lively character.

# What were your thoughts when you first saw the Magic Roundabout?

Amazed! I went round one of them the wrong way the first time I tried to get round it. Since then I have got used to it and it's been ok.

## How do you think Anelka will do at your old club Bolton?

I think he will do ok. He has been out of the English game for a little while and will suit Bolton's style of play.



#### Were you disappointed that 'Big Sam' didn't get the England job?

A little. He has done a great job at Bolton and probably deserved a chance.

#### What is your best memory so far in a Swindon shirt?

Dave Jones, via e-mail

Scoring a header in front of the Town End against Doncaster last season.

a Nationwide

Can you promise the Town fans a celebratory dance when you next score?

Everybody has been asking me to do some sort of celebration when I score, but when you do score you just forget

everything and go wild. Next time I do score I'll try and do something special for a celebration.

#### Did you go to Notting Hill Carnival again this year?

I did yes. It was another enjoyable time for myself and my family and I must thank the manager for letting me attend. I was

performing as a Soca Warrior and my little brother and sister came along too.

#### Would you ever braid your hair like Jerel's?

Tom Davis, via e-mail

Having been there and done that, I won't be doing it again. It gets really tight and is very hard to maintain and keep.

Is it true that you wear your World Cup boots every game for Swindon?

I haven't worn them for Swindon yet because they are studded boots. When the pitches soften up I might be getting them on.

#### What is your favourite place to eat in Swindon?

Marios

#### Can you name your three most important possessions?

Emma Carroll, via-email

My car because it gets me around. My food because it keeps me going for games and my bed.

#### Tell us something we don't know about Charlie Comyn-Platt?

He loves drinking water. He keeps the glasses up in his room but just drinks lots and lots of water.

#### NEXT TIME. **CURTIS WESTON**

To submit your questions for Curtis you can email chris@ swindontownfc.co.uk, or alternatively send your questions to Chris Tanner at The County Ground. County Road, Swindon SNI 2ED.



GUEST COLUMN

## **JON RITSON**

Chief Sports Writer, Swindon Advertiser

Advertiser



#### Am I the only person not remotely surprised that Big Ron Manager has caused such a stink?

Town had a very, very lucky escape in my opinion (albeit they will appear in the final part of the series).

All these programmes should come under one heading called 'How to make yourself look ridiculous/shoddy and shambolic in the eyes of the nation'... Perhaps 'Disaster Waiting to Happen' would be a snappier title?

I feel genuinely sorry for Steve Bleasdale in all this. I read a piece earlier in the week where he feared that getting another job was going to prove very, very difficult.

Perhaps he didn't help himself but give or take a few games, Posh were sitting pretty in a play-off spot when the cameras arrived at London Road. By the time they packed up and left, Bleasdale had beaten them to it and the club missed out on a top seven slot.

Iffy Onuora was fortunate in the fact that he was backed by his chief executive when it became all too clear that

what he wanted and what the ty people wanted were never going to coincide happily.

I think the 'Ron' element was always going to cause problems, whatever the football club chosen and whoever the exboss brought in. Managers are there to manage, if they want help, they'll ask for it.

Still, people are talking about the programme, it's filling space in newspapers and slots on the radio.

I wonder how many people would tune in to 'Cameras follow people at a football club where everything runs fairly smoothly, people get on for the most part, results are okay, no-one upsets the apple cart and some former manager does the voiceover?

Anyway, enough of the television nonsense and back to the football.

Keith Alexander has filled the seat vacated by Bleasdale and Posh got off to a cracking start to the campaign.

They have wobbled slightly though in the last few matches and our recent record against Peterborough at The County Ground is pretty healthy.

Hopefully that will continue today and that Trevor Benjamin will refrain from finding the back of the net.

He never did manage to score at the County Ground and neither did fellow forward Lloyd Opara, I trust those stats will remain undisturbed come 4.45pm.

After two home games it's time to hit the road again, starting with a trip to Notts County.

This visit cannot be any worse than the last one. Remember the FA Cup replay debacle beamed live into numerous homes? 'Woeful' was being kind.

Anyway, that's about it for another week. Get behind the lads and hopefully we'll all be celebrating another three points while Barry Fry is left to turn the air blue.

Cheers for now,

BROUGHT IN Jon

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#### Swindon Town Ladies were beaten by three goals to one by Oxford City on their first away trip of the season in the South West Combination League.

The Town started well and created some good openings but it was the home side that went ahead on their first attack. The Town continued to play well but City went further ahead before the break. Oxford scored a third mid way through the second half from the penalty spot but the Town did get a late consolation goal five minutes from time when Claire Moreton set up April Poulden to score. A disappointing afternoon for the town who created the chances but it was Oxford that scored the goals.

The young Reserve side took a battering when they played Bristol Academy in the South West Regional League and lost out by ten goals to nil.

The Under Fourteen eleven a side team have joined the Bristol Girls League, because there is no local 11-a-side league. In their first game they lost to Clevedon by five goals to one with Libby Gale getting the Town's goal and then shared four goals with Bitton with Libby getting both of the goals. The Under 9's played in a Wiltshire Friendly Mini-Tournament at Bulford Camp and turned in a good all round performance.

Tomorrow the Town entertain Luton Town in a South West Combination League game. The Hatters have made a good start the season holding last season's runners up Chesham United to a two all draw. Last season the Town won the away fixture by two goals to one but were held to a three goals apiece draw in the home game. This game will be played at the Aldbourne FC ground and will Kick Off at 2.00pm. The Reserves game against Keynsham Town Reserves has been postponed because the Somerset side have players playing for their county against Cornwall.

Any women or girls interested in joining the club should contact club secretary John White on 01793 824470.

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#### A MINUTE WITH. **SARAH-JAYNE THOMAS**

Position: Midfielder Job: Student Favourite Team: Swindon Town Best Football Moment: Playing for Wootton Bassett in an U-14 tournament and scoring the winning goal from the halfway line almost at the end of extra-time to win the trophy.

Worst Football Moment: Scoring an own goal in the first minute when playing for the County youth side last week.

Funniest Football Moment: I am told that when playing for Preshute Primary School in Marlborough I did not like heading the ball, so when the ball came over I put my hand on my head to stop it hitting my head.

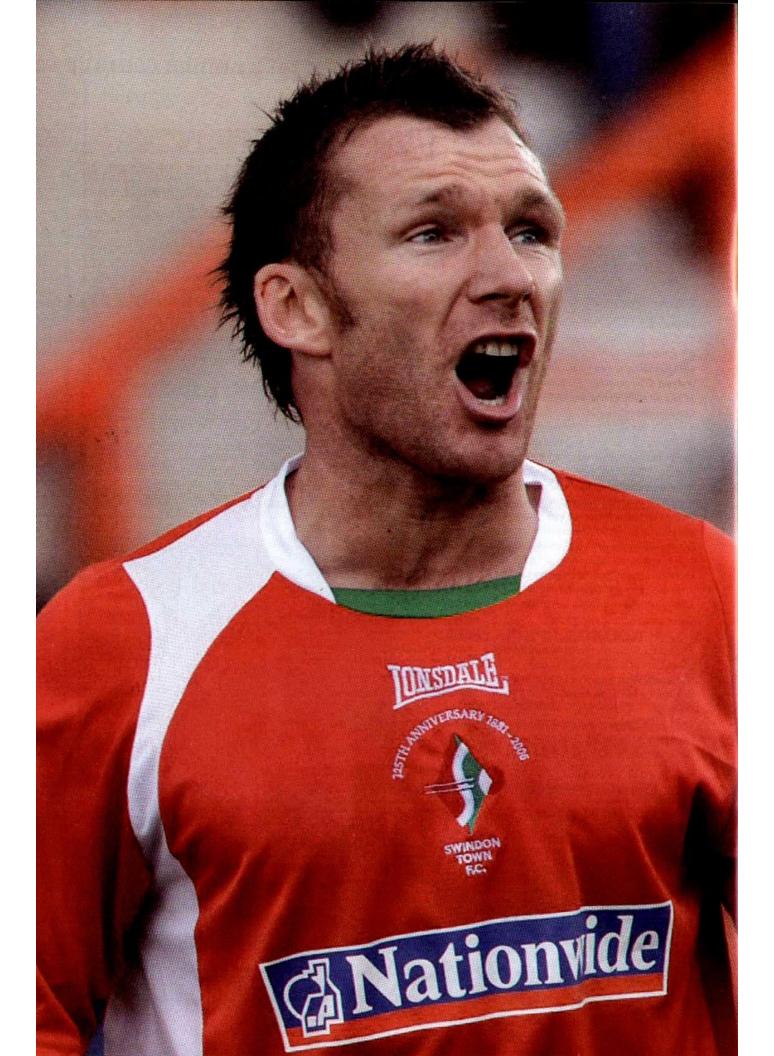
Favourite Artist: Greenday Last Film Seen: The Break Up Who Would You Most Like To Be Stuck In A Lift With: Thierry Henry

06/07	FIXTURES		
Sep 3	FOREST GREEN	н	3-0
Sep 10	Oxford City	A	1-3
Sep 17	LUTON TOWN	н	2pm
Sep 24	QPR.	Α	2pm
Oct 1	BOURNEMOUTH	н	2pm
Oct 8	Plymouth	A	2pm
Oct 15	Luton Town	A	2pm
Oct 22	Newquay	A	2pm
Oct 29	(FA Cup Round 1)		
Nov 5	Clevedon	A	2pm
Nov12	(FA Cup Round 2)		
Nov 26	FROME TOWN	H	2pm
Dec 3	CHESHAM	н	2pm

\* Fixtures have only been made available for the first half of the season. More will appear at a later date. Watch this space for details...

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Oct 9	QPR	Н	1-4
Oct 16	Forest Green	A	3-3
Dec 11	LUTON TOWN	H	3-3
Jan 8	Plymouth	A	3-3
Jan 15	OXFORD CITY	Н	3-1
Jan 22	CHESHAM	Н	2-2
Jan 29	Clevedon	A	0-0
Feb 5	NEWQUAY	н	0.4
Feb 19	LAUNTON	Н	4-0
Feb 26	CLEVEDON	Н	0-0
Mar 5	Newton Abbot	A	3-2
Mar 12	KEYNSHAM	Н	0-7
Mar 19	NEWTON ABBOT	H	0-1
Mar 26	Chesham	A	0-2
Apr 2	QPR	A	0-3
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QPR	22	39	+14
FOREST GREEN	22	32	+14
PLYMOUTH	22	30	-12
LUTON	22	26	-6
NEWTON ABBOT	22	24	-4
SWINDON	22	24	-19
CLEVEDON	22	20	-25
OXFORD CITY	22	17	-44
LAUNTON	22	4	-99



# PEDEMIDIES NANTHE MIDDLE

PACTOS CHES CATE

s new signings go, Dennis Wise's capture of Paul Evans is turning out to be one of the steals of the summer.

A recent online poll suggested that many fans think the same, pitching Evans alongside Peter Brezovan among others as the best arrival of 2006 - and while there were a minority that were left unconvinced by his debut performance in the pre-season friendly against Reading — any lingering doubts they may have had have been erased with a number of swash-buckling performances in the centre of midfield.

Put simply, Paul Evans is the midfielder we've been missing ever since the departure of Scott Leitch. Or Kevin Horlock. You know what I mean — he's strong in the tackle, mobile, a crisp passer of the ball and unphased under pressure — and boy can he shoot!

Evans' goal on Tuesday leaves him top scorer with four. his effort against Wrexham three days earlier from 7.456 yards easily the best of the bunch. But Paul's been there, done it and worn the t-shirt – his early form means nothing if he can't replicate it throughout the season, starting with today's game against Peterborough. We interrupted Evans as he prepared to watch his Manchester United idols (I) take on Celtic on Wednesday and talked about keeping it up (not like that), repaying the faith of his new management duo and achieving success through hard work.

He's a Liverpool fan, by the way...

#### I'VE WORKED HARD AND I'M SEEING THE BENEFITS, BUT MY GOD I WON'T BE GETTING CARRIED AWAY - I COULD FINISH THE SEASON ON FOUR GOALS! I'VE SET MY OWN STANDARDS AND I HAVE TO KEEP TO THEM - NO ONE HAS TO TELL ME IF I'M PLAYING WELL OR PLAYING BADLY...

#### Before we talk about today's encounter, Tuesday night's result and performance was magnificent...

It was a fantastic result. I think a lot of people had been building the game up because we'd both come down in the summer - but for us it was important to bounce back. It was important we reacted after the Wrexham game and while we didn't start well, we came good after the goal. We knew what they were all about and so we weren't surprised by the strong start - we just didn't deal with it. We were slow out of the It's a credit to everyone to come back from a goal behind against a strong team. It's not the first time it's happened and even at Wrexham, playing poorly and 2-1 down, we still created chances.

#### Another goal on Tuesday, that'll be Paul Evans top goalscorer then!

[laughs] There's a long way to go yet! But yeah, another goal's nice - I think Lee [Peacock] was having a problem with his knee and he asked if I fancied it - I said yeah. It crept in, I think it hit the underneath of the keeper's arm so

we don't we have a Gaffer who will come down on us all...

#### Another home game, another team of big players - what can we expect from Peterborough?

A big lad up front, another in midfield, one on the wing, at the back! We have to enforce ourselves like we did for the last 60 minutes against MK Dons, when I thought we looked dangerous.

#### Can we read too much into their defeat in midweek?

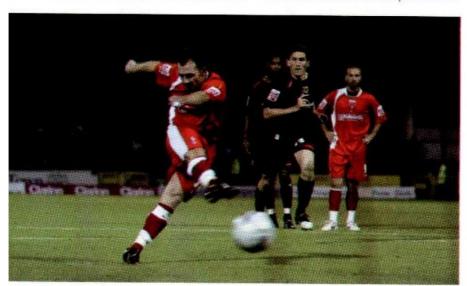
If anything it's a bad thing, they'll be keen to make amends and get back to winning ways, so no I don't think so.

#### Does Tuesday's win send out a statement to the rest of the division, do you think?

It was a big game and it was nice to come out on top and to have got 21 points from eight games is a great start, no matter who you are or what league you're in. But we have to build on it, it means nothing if we can't follow it up against Peterborough. We're building towards something big in the league and each game contributes towards that - we have to keep meeting the standards we've set.

#### Are you happy with your own form?

Thinks are going OK, yeah. I was on the bench at the start of the season, which was to be expected having just come in. I've worked hard and I'm seeing the benefits, but my god I won't be getting carried away - I could finish the season on four goals! I've set my own standards and I have to keep to them - no one has to tell me if I'm playing well or playing badly.



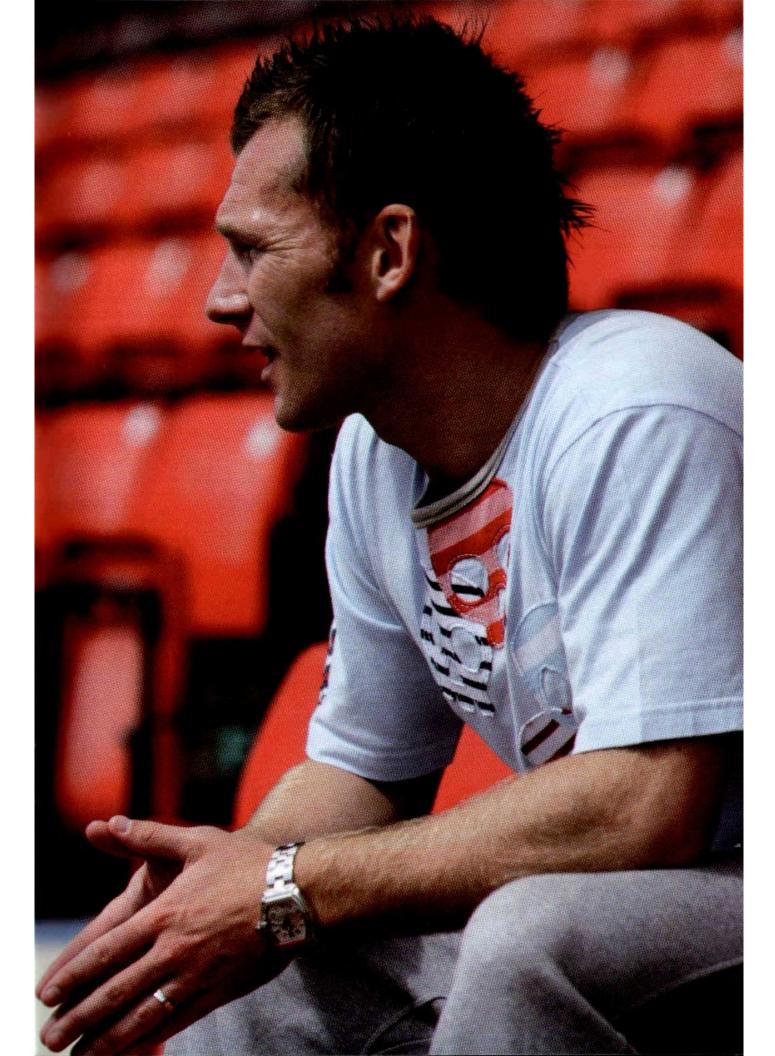
traps but the best thing that could have happened was them scoring; after that they didn't trouble us. But we can't keep starting games like that - at some stage there'll be a game where we can't get back into it - so while it's a great win, we have to move on and take on another tough team now.

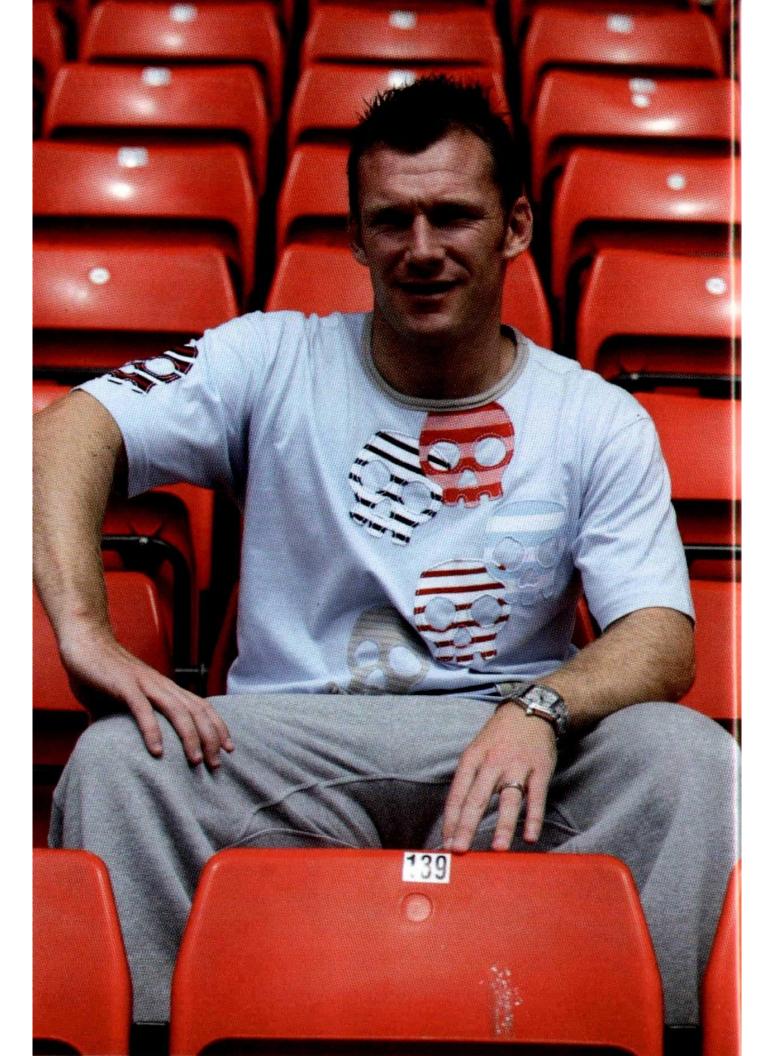
It shows a lot of spirit in the side to be able to turn a game like that around...

I was never worried (!) - at the end of the day I don't care how it goes in.

#### You could see what the result meant to both teams at the final whistle...

It was a great game and a great turnout, 8,300 - it gets us all back on track. We have set standards for ourselves on and off the pitch now. set a benchmark if you like, and it is up to us to meet it every week. If





THERE'S COMPETITION FOR PLACES ALL OVER THE PLACE. CHARLIE COMYN-PLATT WAS EXCELLENT AGAINST CHESTER, AARON HAS COME IN AND SCORED AND ROYCE LOOKS DANGEROUS - POOKY TOO - WE ALL STICK TOGETHER. THERE ARE NO CLIQUES AND I THINK WISEY WILL BE HAPPY WITH THE SQUAD HE HAS...

#### It must be nice to be playing regularly and among the goals after last few seasons where you've been injured or out of favour?

I was out for 13 weeks last season, and the season before that I was out of favour. In the wider scheme of things I've done ok in my career - we all go through those times, you just have to respond and get your head down. Wisey and Gus have given me a chance and I intend on repaying them, I'll try my hardest to stay at the level I've reached.

#### Playing 90 minutes with Paul Ince for the first time - what was that like?

Incey probably felt tired for about the first 85 minutes in the week... no seriously, he gave us all a good lift and got an excellent reaction from the crowd. It was great, a privilege. I hated him when he played for United, loved him when he played for Liverpool - but he is a brilliant player and to have someone of his status, with the experience of playing at the clubs he's played for join us - it's excellent. He's joined in with the banter too. The Friday before the Wrexham game he came and sat down; joined the rest of the lads and you would have thought we was 23/24 years old. Wisey and Gus are the same - I feel relaxed around them all, you can chat to them and they can't help you enough.

#### There's a healthy competition for places in midfield now...

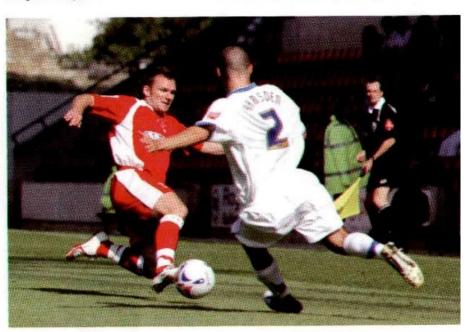
There's probably competition for places all over the place. Charlie Comvn-Platt was excellent against Chester, Aaron has come in and scored and Royce looks dangerous - Pooky too - we all stick together. There are no cliques and I think Wisey will be happy with the squad he has. Ricky Shakes, or Inspector Gadget legs as I like to call him - I think the ball's going out until he stretches those legs of his - he's done well in midfield and came on and did well at right back on Tuesday - it's a compliment to the whole squad how well we're doing.

#### You're goal against Wrexham - you love hitting them from long range don't you?!

good striker of the ball, so why not?

#### You've become a big hit with the fans after, let's say, a suspect relationship following the Reading friendly - that must be pleasing?

To be fair that was only my third game in a while against Reading, but yeah it's nice to be liked. You know you must be doing something right if the fans like you and I'll always give my all - that's all you can do, give 100 per



That's probably because I don't get into the box enough! To be honest it didn't look that far out when I hit out, but when I watched it back I did think it was a long way. I could have done it earlier, I noticed the keeper was on his left - my right - he was almost inviting me to have a pop. So I did! It's something I've noticed in this division, me and Ady have seen it a bit while we were on the bench earlier in the season. It's something I work on and I'll keep trying it - I am a

cent. I think the fans appreciate that.

#### We've got the Shrews coming up in a few weeks, your first club - are you looking forward to going back to Gay Meadow?

Yeah, it'll be great to play if I can. It's the first time I've played against an old club at their ground and I had a great time there. They were my first club and I always look out for them.



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# AND IN THE COMMUNITY

with Clive Maguire & Jon Holloway













#### ood afternoon and welcome G to this afternoon's clash with Peterborough United at The County Ground.

For all of you that were here the other night for the MK Dons game, we hope you enjoyed the half-time entertainment provided by the girls from Warehouse in Regent Street, Swindon. They were here to raise money for Cancer Research. The nine girls who took part were Jayne Dowell (Manager), Stef Robinson, Michelle Hughes, Emily Wells, Hayley Packer, Clare Elliott, Serena Holman, Nicola Hill and Olivia Harris. They really enjoyed the penalty shoot-out at half-time. Jayne Dowell, who is manager at the Warehouse store, commented after the game.

"The County Ground crowd were

fantastic with the Town End really getting into the spirit of things. We would also like to say a personal thank you to everybody who donated before the game where we raised a fantastic £567. It is an evening that we will never forget," she said.

Our after school clubs are fully back in operation next week and we will be travelling around Swindon and beyond to coach children in our current schools and also in new schools. If you think your school would be interested in having a professional coaching session, then please ask your teacher to contact us on 01793 421303.

We would also like to welcome Rachel Topping, from Haslimann Taylor, who is here today with her guests in the Executive Lounge. We would like to take this opportunity

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# HHR CENTRES

#### with Shane Hewlett, Adam Greaney & Luke Sharps



ood afternoon and welcome to today's fixture against Peterborough United. Let's hope we can carry on our impressive home form with a good win this afternoon.

#### SOCCER CENTRES

All of our Soccer Centres are in full swing. I have managed to get around to many of the sessions over the past few weeks and I must mention the brilliant attitude and commitment from all of the boys and girls who are currently participating in the coaching sessions. I also need to say a huge thanks to all of the Soccer Centre coaches and assistants for their part they play in ensuring these children are having an enjoyable time whilst still learning new skills and techniques.

If you are aged between 5 and 12 and are interested in attending weekly professional coaching sessions in and around Swindon then please contact Shane Hewlett on 617718. There are limited spaces at some of our centres so please call now to avoid disappointment.

#### MINI SOCCER & TINY TOTS

Mini Soccer is up and running again at Dorcan. At present we have 4 sessions throughout the week for 4-5 year olds which are all fully subscribed. If you

would like to go onto the waiting list for the next term then please call Luke Sharps on 01793 421303.

This coming week sees the start of our Tiny Tots sessions that are designed for 3-4 year old. These session are based on introducing the very basics of football skills to this age group with the main emphasis on fun and enjoyment.

#### DISABILITY FOOTBALL

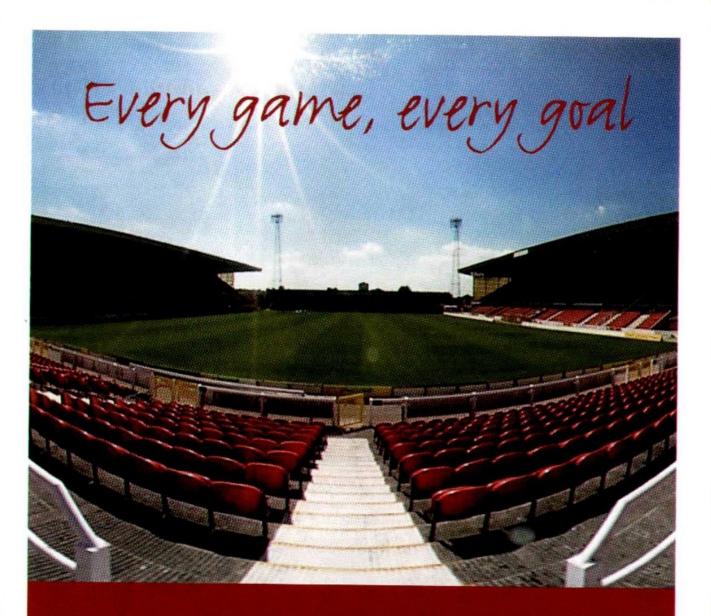
Swindon Town Football in the Community have recently taken on the Disability Football Project for the Swindon and Wiltshire area. We are looking to deliver more coaching sessions for young people and adults with learning and physical disabilities. At present we have just started a 5-week coaching programme in all Special Schools in the Wiltshire area. The 5-week programme will finish off with a Festival of Football at Devizes on 19th October 2006.

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Enjoy the game!

Shane, Sharpy & Adam

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### SHAUN HODGETTS

Assistant Editor, BBC Radio Swindon





#### How was it for you on Tuesday night? A fantastic crowd of 8,304 witnessed the 2-1 win against the MK Dons here at the County Ground.

Paul Ince, starting for the first time, didn't join the long list of debutants to score, but did earn the first penalty. Great to see "youngster" Andy Caton running at the heart of the defence for the other. Jack Smith with his first-ever goal for Swindon & top-marksman Paul Evans converted the spot-kicks. It wasn't that long ago we seemed to wait forever for a penalty this season, they've been saved, missed, scored etc. already, surely some kind of statistical record.

I note (with my anorak on) only Jack Smith remains ever-present this season. Until recently, including the Carling Cup tie, Jerel Ifil and Ricky Shakes were similarly involved. A red card for the former and a switch to the bench for the latter leaves only the number-two still there and obviously desperately hoping to have recovered from a "dead leg" in time for this afternoon's fixture.

Opponents Peterborough have.

of course, recently featured on Big Ron Manager. Lunderstand the last episode of the series will feature footage filmed around The County Ground, before the plug was pulled on the deal. As somebody once said, the pictures are better on the radio! Don't forget every game and every goal can certainly be heard with our full match commentaries on 103.6FM BBC Radio Swindon.

For the midweek victory. Phil King returned as our pundit and, as usual, offered a fascinating insight from a players' perspective. He even started the ginger left-backs' union. Dean Lewington is the only other member. Can you think of anyone else? Please text 07786 203 303.

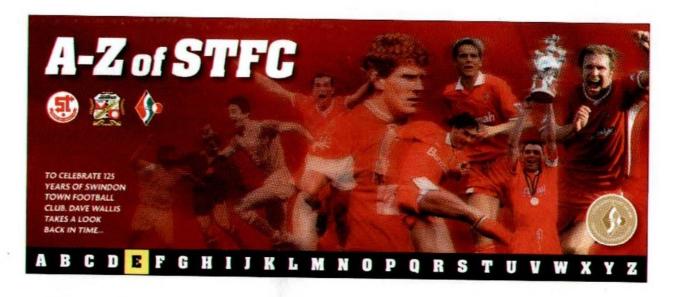
There's no doubt about the buzz around the Town. The attendance was only bettered last term by the New Year's Eve visit from Swansea and topped all the home gates in 2004/05.

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IT WASN'T THAT LONG AGO WE SEEMED TO WAIT FOREVER FOR A PENALTY - THIS SEASON. THEY'VE BEEN SAVED, MISSED. AND SCORED ALREADY, SURELY SOME KIND OF RECORD? Nominally, it's a lower level of football, but a successful side wholly committed to the cause does pay dividends, financially too with a significant sales increase reported in the shop. How many of you have already ordered/purchased a replica number 4 shirt?!

Former Wimble-"dons" Dave Bassett & Wally Downes looked on last time out, across the gangway from Dennis Wise very early on, until the manager went down to the dugout. Afterwards, not in so many words, he commended his squad's "bouncebackability". Wrexham is long-forgotten and roll on Posh. 21 points out of 24 and maybe even more by 4.50pm. Come On You Reds!

"And finally" a couple of my colleagues are working on a goal celebration for Lee Peacock. who contributes his Secret Diary to Olly Dearden & Alex Emery's Live Tonight programme every Friday just after 4.30pm. The shortlist is almost complete. Please e-mail any suggestions (with diagrams as appropriate !!) to stfc@bbc.co.uk.



#### **EXETER CITY**



Geography is a funny thing and while a trip to Exeter seems a fair old trek for Town supporters, the isolation of Devon means the Grecians see a game with Swindon as almost a local derby. Our mutual years in the Southern League fostered a long history between the clubs.

The list of players who have worn red and white stripes, as well as all red is long.

Striker Gary Alexander, now at Leyton Orient is one, as is his current boss Martin Ling. Ady Whitbread, another man with Orient connections, is also on the list. Then there's Leigh Barnard, fellow short midfielder Paul Batty and central defenders Jon Gittens and the legendary Shaun Taylor.

Phil King's another, along with another left back. mentioned in today's A-Z, Gary Elkins.

Add in current Town men Christian Roberts (pictured) and Aaron Brown. and a keeper in Richard Key (more on him when the A-Z gets to K), and there's quite a handy team available from players who have represented both teams.

#### EASTER, HAPPY

After a year in the job, Lou Macari was sacked as Town boss as Easter 1985 began. Languishing in Division Four, Louie Mac was trying to turn fortunes around, but there were rumours that he and his assistant Harry Gregg now failed to see eye to eye. With Lou standing 5ft 5in and Gregg an ex-goalkeeper that didn't seem unlikely.

On Good Friday the Board decided the only thing to do was axe them both, but Town supporters had seen signs that things were beginning to change for the better. A campaign quickly started to get Macari reinstated and two days after Easter Monday the Scot was back in charge, but this time on his own.

As supporter's protests go, that was some result, and in little more than a year the championship trophy was in the Town boardroom. Seems like we DID know something about football on the terraces after all.

Of course, a similar resurrection had taken place at that time of year almost 2,000 years earlier. Evidence is still being gathered to see whether Town fans had a hand in that one

#### EATER, HAPPY

Neil Webb had had an outstanding career with Manchester United and Nottingham Forest, but by 1994, he was a little past his prime. With Town newly relegated from the

Premiership, manager John Gorman decided the experienced ex-England midfielder just might help with the push for an immediate return.

It's fair to say that Mr Webb was a little over his optimum playing weight.

Webb was recruited in October and thrown into the fray against Wolves for his Town debut. In order to achieve the required hurling force, it's believed a small crane and a trampoline were involved.

The PFA Factfile of the year listed the 6ft 1in man at 13st 7lbs. By way of a comparison, the same volume stated 6ft 2in Neil Ruddock was 12st, Both figures (pardon the pun) look open to debate in an upwardly direction.

Webb's Town career spanned seven games during which Town fell from fifth to 16th in the table. His last, a 3-2 defeat at Bristol City, was the fifth defeat in six games and cost Gorman his job.

All efforts to help stave off inevitable relegation were gratefully received. but unfortunately Neil was unable to produce the killer ball that he once could. He'd cost Forest £800.000 to regain him from Manchester United in November 1992, and gone from midfield maestro to midfield roundabout in two years. And my, wasn't his mid filled?

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Sorry Neil, but thanks for trying.

#### **EVERTON**



Goodison based club who have spent most of their lives living in the shadow of the one the other side of Stanley Park, most people know that they were the original occupants of Anfield.

They groomed Andy King and Steve McMahon for us. We've given them Peter Eastoe, while another ex-Town striker Paul Rideout (pictured) notched the goal that won the Toffees the FA Cup in 1995. You judge whether we've done more for them, than they've done for us.

They conceded a rocket goal from Kenny Stroud in the FA Cup in 1976, the distance of which seems to have an extra yard added every year since. The latest count is just under a quarter of a mile. The experience was so distressing that Andy King blanked his memory and insisted he didn't play in that match... but he did.

Everton luckily won the replay when their two goals in the last five minutes overcame Town's one goal lead. And their luck didn't stop there. Six flukey goals did for us at Goodison during our Premiership year. fouled in the penalty box in the 1993 play-off final against Leicester City. Paul Bodin scored from the spot and Town were on their way to the Premiership. Top ref.

#### **EXTRA TIME**

It took more than 90 minutes to dispose of Arsenal in the 1969 League Cup final, and in 1979 the Gunners obligingly gave us an extra 30 minutes to humiliate them again at the quarter-final stage of the same competition.

The other side of the coin came at Brighton in the 2004 play-off semi-final, when a goal in the 142nd minute (possibly a minor exaggeration) allowed the Seagulls to grab penalties, steal victory and eventual promotion to the Championship.

Leeds United have used the same get out of jail card against us in the Carling Cup within the last couple of seasons.

#### **ENGLAND**

There are times when to be a Swindon fan, and an England supporter, seem one and the same thing.

England's defence not as good as the sum of its parts? We've said the same about Town over the last couple of years. 'Oh no, penalties again! That means we'll lose'. That'll be Swindon or England we're watching then. England win the World Cup in the sixties? Swindon's finest hour inside three years.

We've shared managers and assistants, glory at Wembley and heartache.

But I'm not talking simple connections of names here. There's a cynicism, realism and feeling of inevitability that Town supporters will identify with whenever they watch the home nation. But maybe that's just being a football fan.

#### **EVANS, PAUL**

Joined Town in the summer after being released by Nottingham Forest and has made a speciality of hitting goals from distance. Last weekend's strike at Wrexham was the furthest yet at around 40 yards and it seems he's getting his eye in. Peterborough's keeper today would be advised to be alert if Paul ventures outside our own penalty box. It looks like he's hell bent on trying his luck from an increased distance every match.

#### ELKINS, GARY



Left back signed from Wimbledon in 1996 as patience ran out with Jason Drysdale. Made 23 appearances on

the left of defence and left before the start of the next campaign.

#### EASTOE, PETER



Joined Town in the season of our relegation to Division Three, 1973/74. Initially on loan from Wolves, striker Eastoe registered eight goals in 19 appearances, but that didn't stop us finishing bottom of the table by a six-point margin.

Manager Les Allen was axed before the returning Danny Williams found the cash to capture Peter's signature on a permanent basis. Back in the division in which Willlams and Town had performed so well together in the past, Eastoe flourished and knocked in 26 League goals to lead a promotion push.

That came to nothing and by transfer deadline day in 1976, the striker had been traded to QPR as part of the deal that brought Don Rogers home.

Spells at Everton and
West Brom followed, as
well as loan spells at five
other clubs. With a nice touch
of symmetry, the last of these
saw Peter make his final appearance
at Molinuex, the club for whom he
had played his first four games.

#### ELLERAY, DAVID

Excellent referee who was confident Steve White was



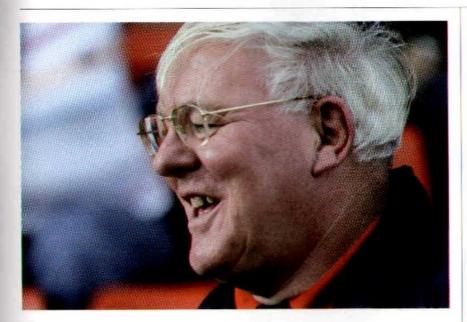








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irstly a reminder to all members that our Annual General meeting takes place on Thursday 21st of September starting at 8.00 pm in the Winners lounge.

As well as the usual business, there will also be an opportunity for nonmembers to come along and learn a little more about the Supporter Club activity and how we can help and benefit you.

Our Chairman Roger Bunce (pictured) will be presiding over that meeting and many of you will know Roger through his appearance pitch side during the half time for the draw or, outside the club shop selling the tickets prior to matches.

Rogers love for all things Swindon Town runs very deep and he is a tireless worker on behalf of both Supporters and the Football club. He first started going to games when he was 8, so has now over 50 years experience of matters in and around The County Ground.

Our committee always appreciate his experience and counsel as well the energy and commitment that Roger puts into his role at the Supporters club within the many projects and fundraising activities we undertake. Roger at present

has been working hard at contacting many players from teams gone past and we should be able to bring you some positive and very interesting news on this front very shortly.

What many of you may not know is that on the 26th September Roger reaches a personal milestone as he reaches his 60th birthday and on behalf of our committee and I am sure all at the football club and fans alike, may I wish Roger a very happy day.

Roger rarely misses a Swindon game home or away and will hopefully reach some other milestones later in the season when we play at Barnet. Macclesfield and Accrington, which are the only grounds within the present league structure that he has not seen the Town play on.

Roger will be celebrating his birthday in style, by travelling to see us play Wycombe on the 26th September so if you do bump into him that night make sure you pass on your good wishes.

We will include details of our latest draw winners in the next match programme or you can visit our website www.swindontownsupportersclub.com.

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Anonymous	2.50
TOTAL PER POINT	£57.50

# POYET PUTS WISE HEADS TOGETHER

WORDS: NICK SZCZEPANIK

long coach journey from Swindon to Chester may not sound like a former Premiership player's idea of a good time, but for Gustavo Poyet, the former Chelsea, Tottenham Hotspur and Uruguay midfield player, it is all part of an enjoyable learning experience as assistant to Dennis Wise, the new manager of Swindon Town.

Swindon's perfect start to the season continued with a 2-0 victory over Chester City on Friday — the ideal antidote to last season's relegation — and Poyet is loving life in Coca-Cola League Two. Some players who have performed at the top expect to walk into a coaching job at a similar level, but that was never part of Poyet's thinking. After leaving Tottenham two summers ago, he began working with Uruguay's youth teams, until an invitation came from Wise, a former team-mate at Stamford Bridge.

"It was quite difficult to deal with the situation in Uruguay," Poyet said. finished playing and it wasn't the right moment. We were at a few Chelsea parties and he kept asking me if I was looking forward to coming back and to let him know if I was. It was an easy decision because I know Dennis very well and I wanted to start somewhere like this, not at a high level. So it's perfect for me to be an assistant manager."

Wise and Poyet were an unlikely but successful partnership in the Chelsea midfield — they won the FA Cup together in 2000 — with Poyet's elegance and eye for goal complementing Wise's more combative qualities. So far the combination has also worked well off the field.

"We were always very close on the pitch and off it and our families got on very well together, so it has been easy for everyone," Poyet said. "We think about football the same way, with little differences, but I'm very pleased to be here, I'm learning a lot and when you're winning it helps you."

Poyet credits the hard work done by the players in a sweltering preseason for Swindon's bright start, but among supporters it is the quality of the football on view at the County Ground that has been most impressive, recalling the club's rise through the divisions in the early Nineties under Glenn Hoddle - coincidentally, the manager who took Poyet to White Hart Lane in 2001. With Paul Ince joining on deadline day - the former England midfield player will also be involved in coaching - optimism that Hoddle's feats can be emulated is growing.

"It would be nice to follow in his footsteps because he went on to manage Chelsea," the Uruguayan said. "I'd love to do that, although things are totally different now. When we talk to people around the club, they say they were in love with the team because of the way Glenn played football and I think they're getting close again to loving the way the lads are playing."

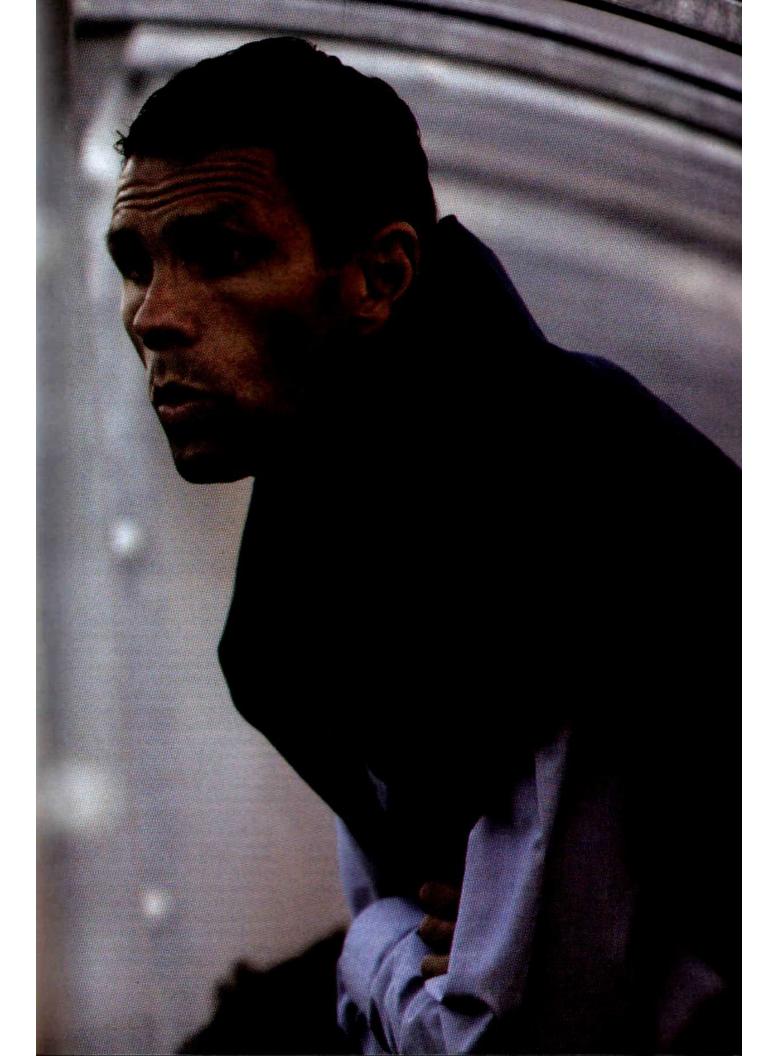
A poor run of form is inevitable at some point and may spoil the fun, but so far Poyet is enjoying every minute. "There's paperwork that I haven't been used to, and travelling by coach where Premiership teams might fly," he said. "But Chester isn't so far when you've already been to Hartlepool and Darlington. No regrets and no complaints."

This interview appeared in The Game, the Monday football supplement of The Times, on September 4th and is reproduced with the kind permission of The Times.

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"I'd got a totally different view of a football career in England from what is possible over there, so when Dennis got the job and offered me the chance to come here I was very pleased to accept.

"He made me an offer when he went to Millwall (in 2003), but I hadn't Wise as a friend is one thing, but as a boss? "It's my first job, so I'm happy to listen to him," Poyet said. "I had to listen a lot in the first ten or 15 days, getting to know exactly what he wanted to do. Now I know and it's easier. And since we're doing well, I wouldn't want to change anything he's doing."



# Rockin' Robin's

SWINDON TOWN FAN TOM HARTLEY, AKA ROCKIN' ROBIN, WAS IN THE USA FOR SIX WEEKS DURING THE SUMMER WHERE HE SPENT TIME AS A COACH FOR THE MLS. HERE IS HIS ACCOUNT OF HIS TIME OUT IN THE GOOD OL' US OF A...





his summer was one I will never forget! On July 9th I travelled out to Chicago, Ilinois, for six weeks to coach for Major League Soccer, the governing body of American Soccer! It was an experience and a half and one that will stay with me for the rest of my life!

When working in America I was representing MLS team Chicago Fire. The Fire are one of only 12 professional sides in the states, so supporters have to travel for miles and miles if they want to see a game! The Soccer experience is very bizarre, it certainly isn't like watching football in England! There is a massive anticlimax surrounding games that are at the standard of Oxford v Aldershot! Fireworks, cheerleaders, huge flags and even flame-throwers! The game I went to see ended up with The Fire loosing 2-1 against the New England Revolution, but I am not sure that any of the "fans" noticed! A lot of them spend the whole game wandering in and out of

their seats to go and get refreshments. I don't think they have developed the football terminology yet either! As we would say, "A shot in the top corner..." the Americans would alter it out of all recognition in to, "He shot that puck in to the right upper 90." No Joke, to some people it's a puck!

The idea of the trip was to travel around the Chicago area coaching with recreational and academy teams. I moved back and forth from Chicago to Detroit during the six weeks staying with five different families. These people treat you like celebrities and by the end of your time you certainly feel like one! From photos in Subway when eating my lunch to autographs at baseball games it was all very surreal.

I had been told that everything in the States was huge, and I certainly wasn't disappointed. During my time in Detroit we had the ultimate hummer experience! For those of you who

don't know Hummers do 11 miles to the gallon, they are probably the safest place to be in a nuclear explosion and are absolutely colossal in size! We were being taken down the highway to the supermarket with one of the guys from family housing and randomly he stopped and said, "I've always wanted to do this..." indicated right and then drove straight in to a massive field with ditches and forest - Nutter! None of us were wearing any more than flip flops on our feet, so when we got stuck in a trench like chasm in the ground, there were no volunteers to push! Later on that week, to mark our stay in the US Motor City we rented out a stretched hummer for the evening! We cruised around 8 mile (of Eminem fame) and into downtown Detroit!

When I was coaching in the US I had to work with a wide range of age groups and abilities. The most extreme being mini-wees in the morning (2-4 year olds! They are more interested in









chewing grass than playing football!) and academy teams in the afternoon! No matter what age group though we had to theme each day of camp, to give the kids something to work towards. A few of my favourites stood out as England Day where we got the children to bring in something English (£20 notes were very popular!), water

the type of people we were staying with. Some weeks we were really treated and taken out for meals, to baseball games and to amusement parks, but on other occasions we had to make our own entertainment. One of my most memorable experience (not that I can remember too much of it!) was going to the legendary Coyote

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fight Wednesday which speaks for itself and dress your Coach Day! Some coaches took this a little more seriously than others by donning make up, bra's and nail paint...which later became a problem with no nail polish removers!

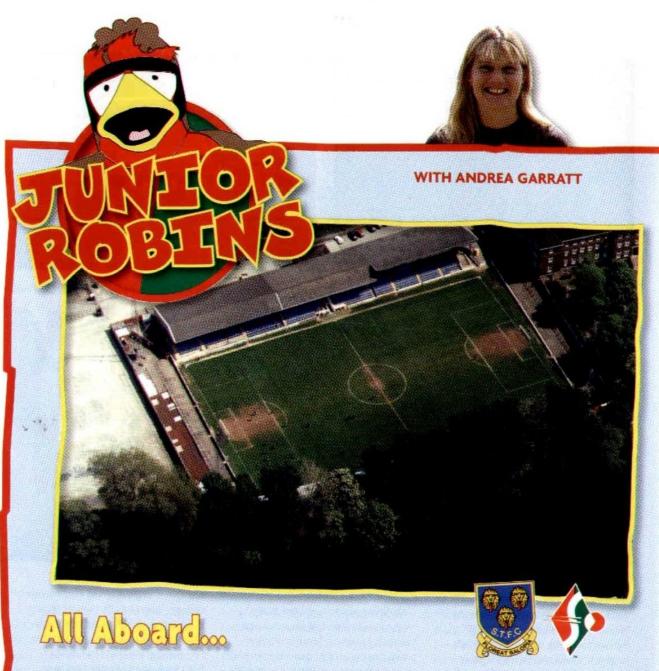
Away from the coaching we had a very varied social life, depending on Ugly bar. It is just like it is in the film - girls dancing on the bar, underwear hanging from the wall and of course beers at \$6 a throw!

It seems the Yanks like to be entertained, and that's reflected in the popularity of mascots! I couldn't quite believe how many there actually are

out there! Every team at every level of every sport has its own talisman in costume, and they are not afraid of causing a stir. During the summer I read an article that the Chicago Bulls Basketball Mascot fled from police on a push bike after behaving irresponsibly in the city! It would be nice if the cuddly charm culture could be reflected back in England though as some of the top performers earn in excess of \$250,000 a year!

Visiting the USA in the way I did was a one in a lifetime experience. There aren't enough superlatives to describe the time I had. It was brilliant to meet so many different people who all wanted your view on the beautiful game. To be honest, I don't think they have the hang of it yet, and it might be a long time until they do.

At least that means there is more chance to get back there and show them how to do it all over again...



#### ood afternoon and welcome to all the Junior Robins here today.

The vouchers for the goodie bags will be arriving in the post to you all within the next couple of weeks, Junior season ticket holders are also eligible for the goodie bags, all items are exclusive to JR members and unavailable to purchase from the shop. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT GOODIE BAGS CANNOT BE COLLECTED ON A MATCHDAY. I can make special arrangements for them to be collected from me in special circumstances, e.g. for those of you travelling in from outside Swindon.

Along with the voucher, there will be a number of events outlined which I have planned for the first part of the season. I'm hoping we will be able to continue with our successful 'meet the players nights'. Many of you enjoy these as you have the opportunity to ask questions of some of your favourite players as well as a photograph and autograph session.

The first event though is a reciprocal visit with Shrewsbury Town. The away fixture is on October 21st, prices as follows, £12 Junior Robins, £15 non Junior Robins and £18 Adults. These prices include coach travel and your

ticket for the game. Shrewsbury are also providing refreshments and a pre-match game of football with their Juniors. The coach will depart from The County Ground at 10am and we aim to have a comfort break. If you wish to book a place, please contact me on the usual details.

Finally, keep sending me your passport photos for membership cards, these are looking fantastic this season and will enable you to claim your 10% discount in the club shop.

Enjoy the game and make some noise.

#### Andrea

Patrick Mcaleer Lydia Rogers Philip Sandwell Kieran Marvell Jack Sweeney Gary Walter

Reece Graham Joseph Loveless Tomos Williams loe Scanlon Joshua Skeates Benjamin Mitchell Jonathan Allen James West Jack Gilbert Jozef Pres Karl Brookes Charlotte Brown Scott Currie Gary McKenna Declan Smith **Edward Ponting** Matthew Smart Lee Yeates

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Jason Gunnett

#### **QUICK QUIZ**

- 1. What was the result when Peterborough played at Walsall on Tuesday? a) Home win b) Draw c) Away win
- 2. Peterborough's mascot is what? b) Rabbit
- 3. How many people were at Tuesday's game with MX Dons?
- 4. Can you name the Peterborough player who spent time on loan at The County Ground last season al Lloyd Opara b) Trevor Benjamin c) Richard Logan
- 5. Who scored a dramatic late winner against 'The Posh' in April 2001?
  a) Michael Reddy b) Bart Griemink c) Danny Invincibile

Send your pictures & mail to Junior Robins, c/o STFC, The County Ground, County Road, Swindon SN1 2ED. Alternatively contact Andrea on 01793 525619 or email andrea@swindontownfc.co.uk



**ADY WILLIAMS** 

**SQUAD NUMBER: 6** 

PLACE OF BIRTH: READING, ENGLAND

HEIGHT: 6'2"

PREVIOUS CLUBS: READING, WOLVES,

COVENTRY, MILLWALL (LOAN) **TOTAL TRANSFER FEES: £750,000** 

**CAREER LEAGUE APPEARANCES: 403** 

**CAREER LEAGUE GOALS: 21** 

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# Today's Mascots

George Hunter is 9 years old and attends St Nicolas Junior School in Newbury. He regularly watches the Robins at the County Ground and also plays for Woolton Hill Argyle Under 10s. George's favourite Town player is Lee Peacock. George will be celebrating his 10th birthday in the 2nd October - Happy Birthday from all at Swindon Town.

Zak Smith is 8 years old and attends Brinkworth Earl Danby School in Brinkworth. Zak plays in goal for Brinkworth Cats Under 9's FC. He lives in Brinkworth with his family and has a sister, Lottie-Blue.



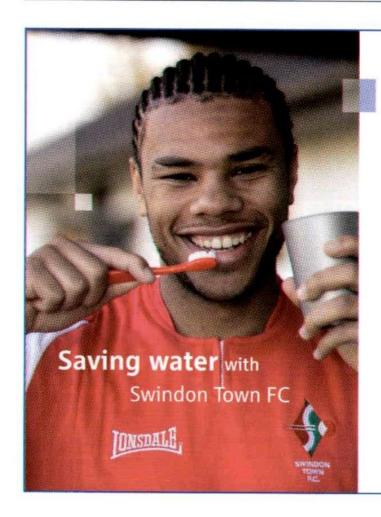
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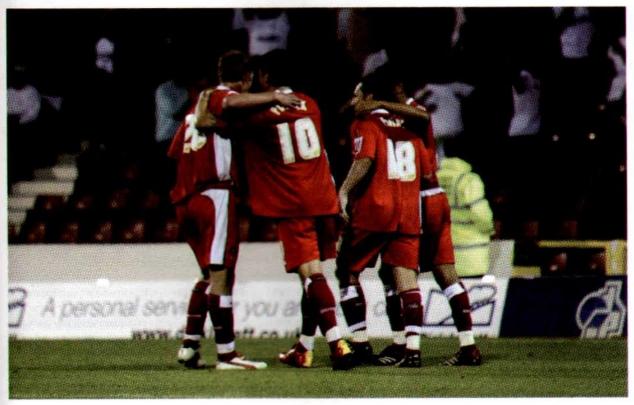




## GG. FM EXPERIENCE

with Gary and Stuart (Stadium Announcers)





Good afternoon everyone and welcome to The County Ground for our Coca-Cola League Two fixture with 'The Posh'.

A great performance by the TEAM on Tuesday night saw us home against a team that will in all probability be challenging us for the League title when May comes around.

Coming from behind against a team

man on the pitch, YOU ARE PART OF THE STFC TEAM.

Peterborough will be no pushover this afternoon they will be smarting after the drubbing that they received in Walsall on Tuesday. I must admit to having a chuckle watching the "Big Ron Football Manager" on Sky TV. I can't help feeling how happy it was that we cancelled the programme from

football. You realise that football needs these types of people especially the characters like him and MK Dons Martin Allen; it will be a shame if they are ever lost to the game.

All being well Gary will be back refreshed for today's fame after.

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enthusiasm for our great game of

fail to recognise in the book is Barry's

All being well Gary will be back refreshed for today's fame after his holiday in Portugal, I must take this opportunity to thank Jez Clark and Shaun Skinner from GWR FM for their help pitchside on Tuesday night, good job fellas!

Keep your requests for birthdays and special events to us here at The County Ground, please remember if you require that special piece of music to give us a couple of weeks notice.

Enjoy the game today and remember to make PLENTY OF NOIZE FOR THE SWINDON BOYZ.

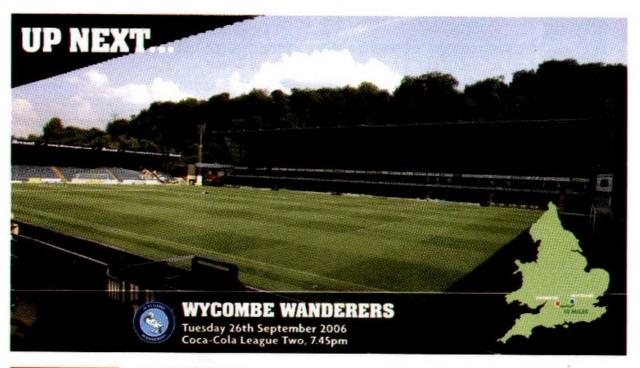
Stuart & Gary

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like Milton Keynes showed the great character that Dennis and Gus have installed into the players. I must also congratulate you the fans for the atmosphere that you help generate, we mention this every week but you the supporters make the difference to the TEAM by becoming that 12th

taking place in Swindon.

Having bought Barry Fry's book on holiday a couple of years ago, I must admit it was a great read and gave an insight into things like transfer dealing and the different types of Chairmen that run teams in the lower



#### **CLUB INFO**

#### Ground

Causeway Stadium

#### Capacity

10.000

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#### AWAY SUPPORTERS

Town fans will be located in the 'Dreams Stand' at one end of the ground, where just over 2,000 supporters can be accommodated. The club has a relaxed friendly feel about it and being relatively close to Swindon, there should be another good away following.

The ground is situated in a nice setting with a wooded hill over looking the ground (this normally has a small contingent of supporters watching the game for nothing) and with green fields surrounding the other sides. The standard football ground fayre of burgers (£2.30), pies (£2), pasties and hot dogs are available from the refreshments area.

#### **GETTING THERE**

By Road: The stadium is located on the outskirts of Wycombe on the Sands Industrial Estate. Leave the M40 at Junction 4 and take the A4010 towards Aylesbury. Turn left at the 4th roundabout into Lane End Road and then continue straight down this road. Cross another roundabout and into Hillbottom Road. The ground is down at the very bottom of this road. There may also be AA road signs labelled 'London Wasps' which could prove helpful in pointing the way to the ground.

By Rail: If coming by train into Wycombe station, then either take a Taxi (costs about £5) or get the football special bus that runs from the station to the ground on match days. The Football Special (No.501) departs the Railway Station for the stadium at 1:55pm on Saturday matchdays and 6:40pm for midweek games (cost about £2.50 return). The Special returns

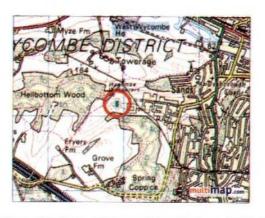
10 minutes after the final whistle.

Parking: There is a fair sized car park located at the ground which costs £3 per car, or some of the industrial units provide match day parking (also at around £3). There is only one road in and out of the stadium so be prepared for queues when leaving the stadium - hopefully though discussing three away points.

#### AROUND THE GROUND

As the ground is on the edge of an industrial estate, there aren't many pubs around. The nearest pub to the Causeway Stadium is the Hourglass in Sands (about a 15 minute walk, from the end of the road up to the ground).

There may also be access to the Supporters Club at the ground, which cost £2 to enter. The Club is one of the suites at the far end of the Main Stand. It is a spacious room with 2 bars and food. There is also a marguee which has been erected behind the away end, which contains a bar serving draught beers. It has been specifically provided for away supporters.



## STFC BOX OFFICE



#### **NOTTS COUNTY VS SWINDON TOWN**

Coca-Cola League Two

Saturday 23rd September 2006, KO: 3pm

Tickets for the match at Meadow Lane are priced at £16 for Adults, £10 for OAP's (over 60), £9 for Students (with NUS card), £9 for 16-18 year-olds, and £5 for Under 16's (proof of age required). All tickets are pay on the day.

SAS Travel coach fare is £15 for Adults and £13 for Juniors. Supporters Club members get a £2 discount. Depart Ermin Street 10.15am, West Swindon 10.15am, County Ground 10.30am.



#### WYCOMBE WANDERERS vs SWINDON TOWN

Coca-Cola League Two

Tuesday 26th September 2006, KO: 7.45pm

Advanced tickets are priced at £15 for Adults, £12 for OAP's (over 65), £11 for Students (with NUS card), and £8 for Juniors (under 16). All prices will increase by £2 on the day of the game.

SAS Travel coach fare is £10 for Adults and £8 for Juniors. Supporters Club members get a £1 discount. Depart Ermin Street 3.45pm, West Swindon 3.45pm, County Ground 4pm.



#### SWINDON TOWN VS BOSTON UNITED

Coca-Cola League Two

Saturday 30th September 2006, KO: 3pm

Tickets are now available from the STFC Box Office, please call 0870 443 1894 for details.



#### **ACCRINGTON STANLEY VS SWINDON TOWN**

Coca-Cola League Two

Saturday 7th October 2006, KO: 3pm

1,600 tickets have been made available for this game, all are for the open terrace. Prices are £13 for Adults and £8 for OAP's, Students and Juniors. All tickets are pay on the day (No advance sales).

Away coach travel details will be made available at a later date.



#### SWINDON TOWN vs GRIMSBY TOWN

Coca-Cola League Two

Saturday 14th October 2006, KO: 3pm

Tickets are now available from the STFC Box Office, please call 0870 443 1894 for details.



#### SHREWSBURY TOWN vs SWINDON TOWN

Coca-Cola League Two

Saturday 21st October 2006, KO: 3pm

Ticket details for this game are not currently available. See future programmes for details.

#### **BOOKING INFORMATION**

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EMAIL – brianp@awindontownfc.co.uk

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#### AWAY TRAVEL - 01793 536 757

SAS Travel organise coach trips for all away games. Their County Ground Thursdays but ween 10,00 and 6,7,000 as on Thursday evenings between 7 Dilgeo 8 9 Dings and hafters all 14

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#### STFC PLAYER APPEARANCES & GOALS 2006/07

	LEAGUE			CUP			TOTAL		
	APS	GLS	Y/R	APS	GLS	YR	AP5	GLS	Y/F
BREZOVAN, Peter	8	0.	1/0		1/4	EW.	8	0	1/0
SMITH, Jack	8	1	2/0	1	0	0	9	1	2/0
VINCENT, Jamie	4	0	1/0	1	0	0	5	0	1/0
INCE, Paul	1(1)	0	0			-	1(1)	0	0
IFIL, Jerel	7	0	3/1	100	0	1/0	8	0	4/7
WILLIAMS, Ady	5	0	0	-	-	-	5	0	0
WHALLEY, Gareth	5550			5000		200	300	100	335
BROWN, Aaron	2(1)	1	1/0	1	0	0	3(1)	1	1/0
ROBERTS, Christian	8	2	2/0		+ 1	8848	8	2	2/0
PEACOCK, Lee	8	3	1/0	-	-		8	3	1/0
MONKHOUSE, Andy	4	0	1/0	CO. ALCO			4	.0	1/0
SHAKES, Ricky	7(1)	1	1/0	1	0	1/0	8(1)	1	2/0
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NICHOLAS, Andy	6(1)	0	0	1	1.	0	7(1)	1	0
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COMYN-PLATT, Charlie	2	0	0	-			2	0	0
EVANS, Paul	6(2)	3	1/0		2363	0	7(2)	4	1/0
POOK, Michael	3(2)	0	1/0		+	-	3(7)	0	1/0
BROWNLIE Royce	(5)	015	8		0	1/1	1(5)	200	10
JUTKIEWICZ, Lukas	(2)	0	0	-	-	-	(2)	0	0
WESTON, Curtis	200	-0	3/0	(1)	0	0	7(2)	0	3/0
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SMITH, Phil					0	0		0	0
WELLS, Ben		-			-	+	-	-	-
CATON, Andy	20	-0	0	(5)	0	0	2(3)	0	0

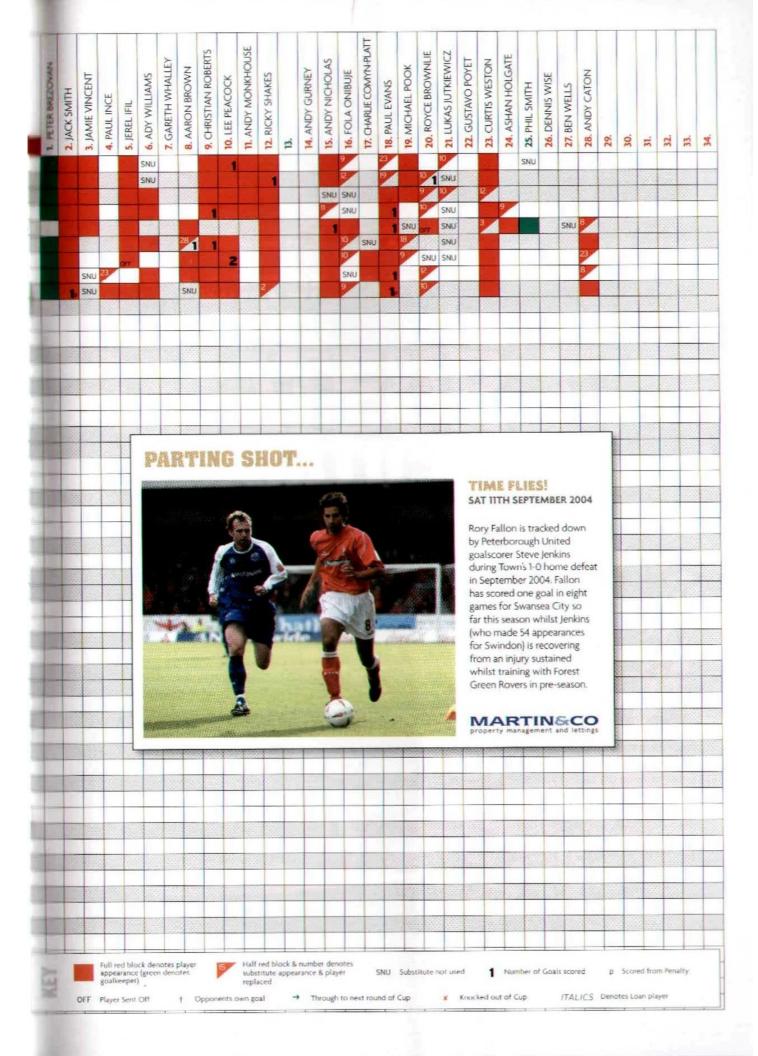
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FIXTURES, STATS & APPEARANCES



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Sat Aug 5	Hartlepool United	Α	1-0	4,690	340	7th	R.Booth
Tue Aug 8	BARNET	Н	2-1	7,475	309	4th	R.Oliver
Sat Aug 12	ROCHDALE	Н	1-01	6,771	253	2nd	RLee
Sat Aug 19	Darlington	A	2-1	4,571	430	lst	Ellderto
Tue Aug 22	BRENTFORD (CCI)	Н	2-2*	5,582	400	×	LWilliam
Sat Aug 26	STOCKPORT COUNTY	Н		6,868	211	lst	K.Friend
Fri Sep 1	Chester City	A	2-0	3,382	807	lst	D.Foster
Sat Sep 9	Wrexham	Α	1-2	5,257	717	1st	5.Mathie
Tue Sep 12	MILTON KEYNES DONS	Н	2-1	8,304	604	lst	K.Stroud
Sat Sep 16	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	Н					
Sat Sep 23	Notts County	Α					
Tue Sep 26	Wycombe Wanderers	A					
Sat Sep 30	BOSTON UNITED	Н					
Sat Oct 7	Accrington Stanley	Α					
Sat Oct 14	GRIMSBY TOWN	Н					
Tue Oct 17	(Johnstone's Paint Trophy Round 1)						
Sat Oct 21	Shrewsbury Town	Α					
Sat Oct 28	LINCOLN CITY	Н					
Sat Nov 4	HEREFORD UNITED	Н					
Sat Nov 11	(FA Cup Round 1)						
Sat Nov 18	Torquay United	Α					
Sat Nov 25	BURY	Н					
Tue Dec 5	Mansfield Town	Α					
Sat Dec 9	Walsall	Α					
Sat Dec 16	BRISTOL ROVERS	Н			No.		No.
Sat Dec 23	Macclesfield Town	A					
Tue Dec 26	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	Н		3pm			
Sat Dec 30	NOTTS COUNTY	Н		Spett.			
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Sat Jan 6	Peterborough United	A		-p			
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Sat Jan 20	Boston United	A					
Sat Jan 27	MACCLESFIELD TOWN	Н	N/A No				2000
Sat Feb 3	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	Н					
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<sup>\*</sup> Brentford win 4-3 on penalties after extra time





#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT THE COUNTY GROUND

Fri 22nd Sep: GENTLEMAN'S EVENING

Thu 5th Oct: RACE NIGHT Thu 19th Oct: QUIZ NIGHT

For information on any of these events please call Chris Abrook on 01793 333715 or email chrisa@swindontownfc.co.uk

#### UNDER 7'S GO FREE

Town supporters are reminded that Under 7's can go free at The County Ground this season

To register for the scheme or for more details just call into the STFC Box Office or call 0870 443 1894

#### **CG.FM EXPERIENCE**

If you have a tune that you would like played out at The County Ground then why not write to Stuart Morse at The County Ground, County Road, SWINDON, Wiltshire, SNI 2FD

#### SHIRT PRINTING

If you are looking to get your favourite player's name on the back of your shirt, then call into the STFC Superstore. Numbers are priced at £4 each and letters are £1 each, Call 0870 443 1554

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#### LATEST ODDS

Don't forget to get the latest odds on Swindon Town's games then why not visit the Swindon Bet website. Support the football club and make some cash for yourself at the same time by logging on to Swindonbet.co.uk

#### Today's Odds

Swindon Win 8/13 Draw 5/2 Peterborough Win 4/1

#### First Goalscorer

5/1 - Peacock, Roberts

11/2 - Jutkiewicz, Brownlie

7/1 - Shakes

15/2 - Yeo

9/1 - Benjamin, Richards

10/1 - Opara

12/1 - Evans

16/1 - Weston, J.Smith, Pook, Butcher

28/1 - Newton, Williams, Nicholas, Ifil

#### CUP ROUND DATES

#### FA Cup

Sat Nov 11th First Round Sat Dec 2nd Second Round Sat Jan 6th Third Round Sat Jan 27th Fourth Round Sat Feb 17th Fifth Round Sat Mar 10th Quarter-final Sat Apr 14th Semi-final Sat May 19th FINAL

#### Johnstone's Paint Trophy

Tue Oct 17th First Round Tue Oct 31st Second Round Tue Nov 28th Area Quarter Final Tue Jan 9th Area Semi-Final Tue Jan 30th Area Final Leg 1 Tue Feb 13th Area Final Leg 2 Sun Apr 1st FINAL

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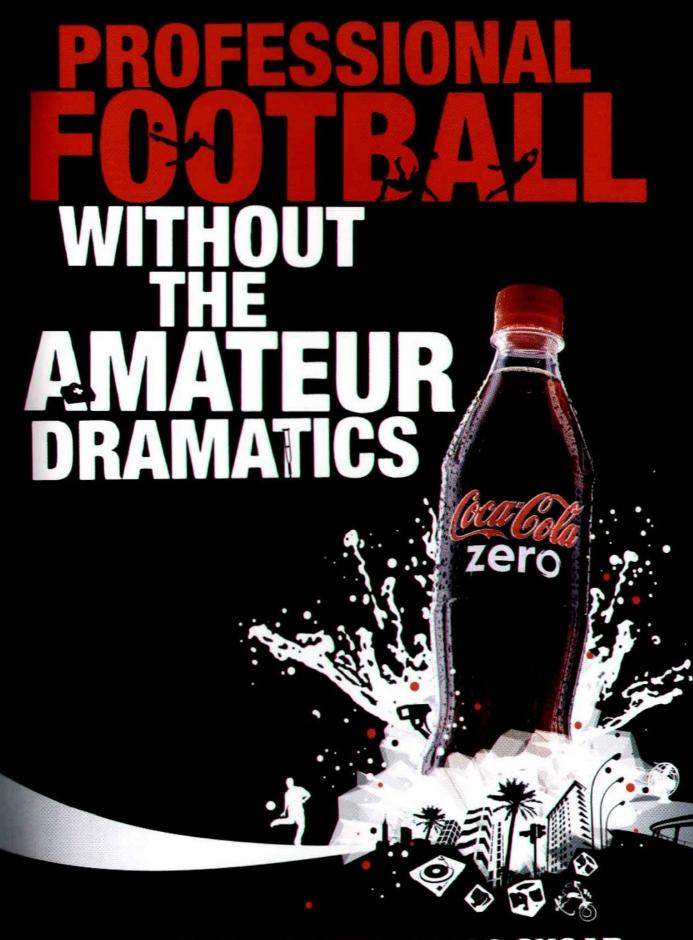
Ticket Office: brianp@swindontownfc.co.uk

STFC Superstore: shop@swindontownfc.co.uk

#### SUPERSTORE OPENING HOURS

Monday: 9am - 5pm Tuesday: 9am - 5pm Wednesday: 9am - 5pm Thursday: 9am - 5pm Friday: 9am - 5pm Saturday (non-matchday): 9am - 12pm Sunday: Closed

Matchday Saturday/Tuesday: 9am -Kick-off and then for 30 minutes after the final whistle.



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# TODAY'S SQUADS

## SWINDON TOWN

#### PETERBOROUGH

- 1 □ Peter BREZOVAN
- 2 | Jack SMITH
- 3 

  Jamie VINCENT
- 4 Paul INCE
- 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 ONIBUIE
- 17 Charlie COMYN-PLATT
- 18 Paul EVANS
- 19 Michael POOK
- 20 
  Royce BROWNLIE
- 21 🗆 Lukas JUTKIEWICZ
- 22 Gustavo POYET
- 23 Curtis WESTON
- 24 Ashan HOLGATE
- 25 Phil SMITH
- 26 Dennis WISE
- 27 Ben WELLS
- 28 Andy CATON

- 1 Mark TYLER
- 2 Dean HOLDEN
- 3 | Jude STIRLING
- 4 Mark ARBER
- 5 Guy BRANSTON
- 6 Chris PLUMMER
- 7 Adam NEWTON
- 8 Richard BUTCHER
- 9 Justin RICHARDS
- 10 Trevor BENJAMIN
- 11 Peter GAIN
- 12 Mark BAILEY
- 13 Luke MCSHANE
- 14 Paul CARDEN
- 15 D Lloyd OPARA
- 16 Danny CROW
- 17 | Jamie DAY
- 18 Shane HUKE
- 19 Adam FRY
- 20 Simon YEO
- 21 Stuart WALL
- 22 | James GHAICHEM
- 23 Ben FUTCHER

#### **EMERGENCY PROCEDURE**

In the event of an emergency at The County Ground you will hear a police message over the public address system. It will be preceded by a loud 'alarm' sound. Please remain where you are, listen to the message, and if it effects your area of the stadium, comply with the instructions immediatly. These will direct you to a safe area, through exit gates and doors into car parks, roads or the pitch area. If you are disabled or feel unsafe in a large crowd, please remain where you are until the stewards assist you to leave. Above all, REMAIN CALM and DO NOT MOVE unless the announcement concerns your area of the stadium.











