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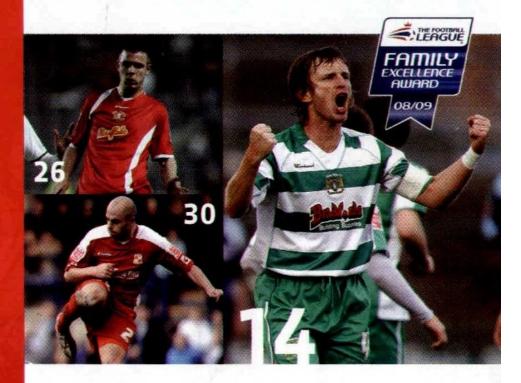
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danny WILSON

Good afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground for this League One fixture. Today's visitors are Crewe Alexandra and I would like to welcome Gudjon Thordarson, his staff, players and directors and supporters along for the game today.

Last weekend was probably the poorest we have played for a while. In terms of performance we didn't really create anything - although we did have a chance or two late on that we could have put away. Losing Sean Morrison and Hal Robson-Kanu didn't help, but we got caught up in Yeovil's way of playing. Anthony McNamee and Hal Robson-Kanu did make a bright start but the changes we had to make did disrupt things.

The injury situation has been on our minds this week with several players visiting Dick Mackey for treatment. Sean Morrison was on the receiving end of a bad challenge last weekend and it doesn't look like he will be fit in time for this afternoon's game. Jamie Vincent was due to train on Thursday and may face a late fitness test to be involved this afternoon after missing the games against Northampton and Yeovil. Hal Robson-Kanu has a hamstring injury and unless he is 100% fit – he won't be considered for selection.

The one bonus that we will have for today's game is the return of Owain Tudur Jones. Owain went away with the Wales squad for their fixtures against Finland and Germany, but was not involved and that can benefit us. He has come back refreshed and he will be available for selection.





Today we face Crewe, who are a side who have gone through a lot of change over the past few months. They have brought in a few additions and Gudjon has changed the way that they play, which seems to be working for them since his appointment. They have shown that they are capable of taking on any team in the league.

You can see lots of teams who look like they have got out of the relegation fight, but suddenly are drawn back into it. That is a situation that has come up across all four professional leagues. The leagues are all very tight and there is not a lot of difference from top to bottom. All we have to do is concentrate on our own results and remain strong.

We have always said that home form could be our salvation and my stance on that hasn't changed one bit. The support that we have received here at The County Ground has been outstanding and the atmosphere that creates is terrific. Results here at home will be pivotal to where we finish this season and I am confident that will be in League One.

Enjoy the game.



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Nine points from twelve in recent weeks have put smiles on a few faces, but today's game is now all that matters.

It was nice not to have had a midweek game after what has been a busy fixture schedule. The Gaffer gave us a few days off earlier this week which meant we could take a step back and prepare for some important games coming up.

Three wins out of four over recent weeks have lifted the spirits but we can't think what we have done, it is about what we have to do now and that starts today. We have to take points from every game we play in now and keep the points total ticking over.

Crewe are the visitors today but we have to make the most of home advantage – as Yeovil did last weekend. That game was a disappointment but they started the game really well and scored quite early on which settled their nerves. Injuries didn't help our cause with Sean Morrison and Hal Robson-Kanu forced off, but that's football. We didn't win the game but we went there in a positive manner, and that won't change.

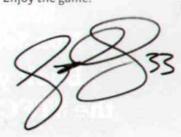
A lot of the teams around us have to play each other. We have six games to go now with three at home and three away. Visits to Brighton, Carlisle and Peterborough will be important, but our home form will be what decides our season. The last few home games against Hereford and Southend have been positive days for the football club with decent displays. There is no reason why we cannot register another win this afternoon.

The mood in the camp is very positive. A few weeks back we were a couple of points adrift, but

having put a few results together we are now out of the drop zone. Things can turn around very quickly in football. Hartlepool went nine points or so above us after their win here and now we have edged above them. That's just one example of how things can change.

The main message is to not look back at what we have done because that won't win us points. All we can do is to concentrate on the job in hand and look to take maximum points against Crewe Alexandra and lift ourselves further up the table.

Enjoy the game.







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Chief Executive, Nick Watkins >>

"Courage does not always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying: "I will try again tomorrow."



Good afternoon and a warm April welcome to everyone at The County Ground, fans and guests alike for today's fixture against Crewe Alexandra.

What a roller coaster two weeks it has been, nine points and ten goals in three games and then a disappointing performance at Yeovil Town last Saturday, no points and no goals. How valuable those three points would have been at Huish Park but losing two key players early in the game and being without Owain Tudor Jones did not help the cause. What rotten lousy luck.....but is there any other kind? So today is an important day, three points are essential and so we will try again.

In between League One fixtures
The County Ground played host to

the Christian Roberts Testimonial game between the Chelsea All Stars and a Swindon Town XI. Over 3,000 fans, the majority wearing Chelsea shirts, turned out in support and an enjoyable evening was had by all. Gianfranco Zola gave a wonderful exhibition of his footballing skills, scoring a hatrick and he together with Gus Poyet, showed what true gentlemen they are by tirelessly signing autographs for over 30 minutes, for the flock of adoring fans.

Last Sunday evening, Swindon Town representatives joined with 850 others from the footballing fraternity at London's Grosvenor House Hotel for the 2008/09 Football League Awards. The club entered a number of categories and was nominated for the Family Club of The Year Award but unfortunately lost out to Southend United. We will try again next year.

The 2009/10 Season Tickets are now on sale, as advised on the occasion of the Hereford fixture. It would appear that the majority of fans were pleased that the club had held this season's prices for existing Season Ticket holders. However, we remain acutely aware of the difficult economic climate and we will continue to listen to the views and thoughts of the fans, should there be something extra that we can do to ease the financial burden.

Last week the sales team spent some focused time reviewing the entire repertoire of the commercial offerings for next season, everything from corporate hospitality packages, mixed media packages and match day sponsorships through to the match day programme and kiosks. A number of innovative ideas were discussed and in the ensuing weeks we will be publishing the new pricing proposals for your consideration. Commercial revenues are the lifeblood of many clubs and whilst we need to make the propositions price competitive and good value for money, your continued patronage remains vital. We will try again next season to ensure The County Ground Experience is a good one.

The 2008/09 Swindon Town Awards Dinner will take place on Sunday May 3rd and will be held in the Legends' Lounge at The County Ground. Details of the event can be found on the opposite page of today's Match Day programme and I very much hope that many of you will be able to join us for what I am sure will be an excellent evening.

To all of those fans who have so loyally and increasingly vociferously, supported the team in recent weeks, thank you so very much. 800 plus fans travelled to Northampton and over 1,000 to Yeovil. You are FANtastic and let's try again today to spur the Robins onto a win.

Best Wishes.
Nicholas Watkins

stfc news in brief

STFC SUPPORTING CHERNOBYL CHILDREN'S LIFELINE

Join Town Players and Manager at the Bombay Lounge Curry Night.

Ros Fitton, wife of Swindon Town Football Club owner Andrew, has launched a branch of Chernobyl Children's Lifeline in Richmond, South London. On Monday 20th April she is organising a curry night at the Bombay Lounge with support from the club.

Manager Danny Wilson will attend with some of the first team squad. Tickets are available priced at £20 from the STFC Box Office. To purchase a ticket just call 0871 223 2300.

A pre-game collection in aid of Chernobyl Children's Lifeline will take place on Monday 13th April when Town take on Leyton Orient.



The above photo is of Kristina and Sasha Ezhenkova from the village of Ozarichi in Belarus which has badly affected by radiation from the Chernobyl nuclear power station disaster 21 years ago.

They who have both stayed with families in Swindon where a month away from the radiation zone can add up to two years to life. Whilst here Kristina was diagnosed with a cancerous tumour but had to return to Belarus for treatment. They are pictured with their Grandmother.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Have a fantastic day! Lots of love from all your friends at Swindon Town FC.

BAHAMAS BOUND!

Brian Leach will be joining friends in the Members Lounge today before saying goodbye as he prepares to move to Nassau in the Bahamas.

He has been supporting the Town since 1975 when his Father first brought him along to the game as a nine year old. He has since been an ardent supporter of The Robins and has attended over 650 games, including all Play-Off games involving STFC.

Brian will be joining his wife Sara, who has recently gone over to work as a civil engineer in the Bahamas for next three years. Good luck Brian and enjoy your spell abroad!

Caption: Brian and friends are seen in tribute to his lookalike – Tommy Mooney – during an away trip to QPR in May 2004.



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A Way of life...

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Memories of Supporters...

A new book is being published which will reflect the memories and experiences of supporters both young and old. Players and managers may come and go, but it is the fans who give the permanent character to a club like Swindon Town. And so as a

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Your Stories...

Who are our record breakers? Who has the funniest Swindon tale? We want to meet our longest standing fan! Who travels the farthest to get to home matches? Who has seen more matches than anyone else?

Get in touch so these and many other stories get in to the new book. 'Swindon 'Til I Die', real football stories from real football fans... Make sure your memories are included! Storytelling sessions will also be held at the club and in the local community as part of the memory-gathering process.

The first of which will be held in the Cecil Green Suite, Arkells Stand at STFC on Tuesday 28 April between 6.30-8.30pm, so please feel free to attend and share your stories.

Get in Touch...

If you have a story or set of experiences about yourself, a family member, a neighbour or friend which you feel deserves to go into the book, please get in touch. Either e-mail your stories to david@legendspublishing.net or via www.tilidie.co.uk or post them to 18 Darby Crescent, Sunburyon-Thames, TW16 5LA. The deadline is 6 September 2009.

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OUR MASCOTS



Andrew Wallis
10-year old
Andrew attends
Ramsbury
Primary School
and plays in
defence for
Ramsbury
U10's A team in
defence at right

or left-back. His favourite player is Jerel Ifil and Andrew is hoping for a 2-0 home win today!



Tim Westcott
Tim is looking
forward to
running out
at The County
Ground as part of
his 50th birthday
celebrations. He
last attended
Park School in

Swindon and his favourite all-time Town player is Steve White. Tim has supported The Robins for over 40 years and is looking for a 3-1 home win today!



George Woodley
10-year old George
attends John
Blandy Primary
School and he
plays in midfield
for Abingdon
Youth Under 11's.
His favourite
player is Simon
Cox and hopefully

the 27-goal front man can contribute to George's prediction – which is a 2-1 home victory!



William
Woodley
7-year old
William will be
joining older
brother George
as one of today's
mascots.
William attends
the same school

as his brother and plays in midfield for Abingdon Youth. A Robins victory would be a welcome boost against the drop!

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TUE 31ST MAR: Town boss Danny Wilson spoke to STFC World with his reaction to

defeat at Yeovil and the current injury situation.



WED 1ST APR: A look back to our win at Gresty Road in April 2003 with Stefani

Miglioranzi scoring the only goal of the game, complete with a celebratory jig!



THUR 2ND APR: A full match preview with Town boss Danny Wilson ahead of the

visit of Crewe Alexandra to SN1.



FRI 3RD APR: Jack Smith spoke to the cameras to preview the visit of Crewe

Alexandra, and how life has changed at The County Ground of late.



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inside track

01 LOU'S MEET AND GREET

Town's Club Secretary Louise Fletcher met Jimmy Hill at a gala dinner at Grosvenor House on Park Lane last Sunday evening, with the night attracting more than 800 attendees from clubs, sponsors and the football industry.

Jimmy Hill, a Football and Broadcasting legend, was presented with the prestigious Contribution to League Football Award at the 2009 Football League Awards.

In receiving the award, Jimmy Hill said: "I am greatly honoured to accept this award from an organisation that has played such an important part in my life and throughout my career as a player, manager, chairman and broadcaster. It fills me with immense pride."

02 HAPPY BIRTHDAY MELISSA!

Everyone at Swindon Town Football Club would like to wish Club Shop Assistant Melissa Thornton a very Happy Birthday!

Melissa turned 17 on Thursday and has been working in the shop since late 2008. Her favourite Town player is Callum Kennedy and Melissa is pictured here in March alongside the Carling Cup Trophy.



A host of former International stars turned out to play in Christian Roberts' Testimonial clash on Wednesday 25th March.

Former Town management duo Dennis Wise and Gus Poyet were joined by the likes of Roberto Di Matteo, Ed de Goey and Gianfranco Zola for the game.

In front of a 3,000 plus crowd, a hat-trick from West Ham boss Zola proved enough to seal the victory for The Blues.



Steve White and Paul Hunt rolled

who also included current players

Hamdi Razak, Chris Allen and Blair

Sturrock amongst others.

back the years with goals for Swindon



ROJECT SURVIVAL

It's eyes down for the business end of the season, so get your finger nails and edge of your seats ready the run-in goes a little something like this...

Words: Nick Judd



POSITION: 15

STORY SO FAR: The O's are the form team in the bottom half and only four sides boast a better record in the last eight games. Five wins have seen them pull clear, but they face a tricky

KEY MEN: Adam Boyd is on the verge of a comeback from injury, while loan strike duo Scott McGleish and Simon Church have seven goals between them in the last six games.

REMAINING FIXTURES:

Cheltenham (A), Leeds (H), Colchester (H), Swindon (A), Northampton (H), Millwall (A), Huddersfield (H)

THEY SAY: "He (new manager Geraint Williams) has made a massive difference. This man just came in and turned the whole club around. It looked like we were going down, we couldn't win a game, so all credit to him and the boys." Defender, Jason Demetriou.

YEOVIL TOWN

POSITION: 16

STORY SO FAR: What a difference four days can make: two consecutive 1-0 wins. including the triumph at Town's expense last Saturday have seen Terry Skiverton's side up to 16th in the table. They're unbeaten and yet to concede following a 5-0 drubbing at Brighton three weeks ago.

KEY MEN: Loan capture John Obika scored the winner against us last week and he found the net again three days later against Northampton.

REMAINING FIXTURES: Stockport (A), Millwall (H), Cheltenham (A), Hartlepool (H), Hereford (H), Tranmere (A), Colchester (H).

THEY SAY: "It was just like the old thing about London buses - I waited seven games for a win, and then two came along at once. I'm obviously glad to be out of the bottom four but there is still a lot of work to be done and no-one can afford to take things easy."

Manager, Terry Skiverton.

SWINDON TOWN POSITION: 17

STORY SO FAR: A resurgent three wins in three against Southend, Hereford and Northampton lifted us out of the bottom after defeat at Leeds had seen us slip into the relegation zone. A win at Yeovil would have put some breathing space between 'us' and 'them'. Still, there's always this week...

KEY MEN: Simon Cox: eight goals in six games... cometh the hour, cometh the man.

REMAINING FIXTURES: Crewe (H), Brighton (A),

Leyton Orient (H), Carlisle (A),



Bristol Rovers (H), Peterborough (A)

THEY SAY: "Wins are the priority. We are looking to be positive and looking to win the next game, which is a vital one against Crewe. Hopefully we will get the win and the three points that can get us back on the road to safety."

Manager, Danny Wilson.

HARTLEPOOL TIME TO SERVICE TO SER

POSITION: 18

STORY SO FAR: Two wins in eight have seen Danny Wilson's former employers slip into the mire. Their last win came on

March 3 against Tranmere, which followed hot on the heels of a 1-0 smash and grab against us here at the County Ground. Damn them!

KEY MEN: Step forward Joel Porter, who's own slump in form coincides with the team's poor run. Top scorer with 14, he's scored just once in the last six games.

REMAINING FIXTURES: Hereford (H), Crewe (A), Scunthorpe (H), Yeovil (A), Leeds (H), Bristol Rovers (A)

THEY SAY: "It's so tight, everybody is feeling the pressure. There is work to be done but it is in our own hands. And a lot of the clubs below us have to play each other as well as the leading sides, so it is impossible for them to all pick up maximum points."

CARLISLE

POSITION: 19

STORY SO FAR: Unbeaten in their first six games and flying high, Carlisle fans would have been forgiven for expecting a different kind of battle at this stage of the season. Yet one win in eight and a mounting injury list - they have nine players out - leaves them looking perilously over their

KEY MEN: Those of you playing the Daily Telegraph's League One fantasy football will know Danny Graham hasn't scored for 15 games. If whoever has his shooting boots could hold on to them for a little longer, that will be great.

REMAINING FIXTURES: Leicester (A), Oldham (H), Huddersfield (A), Swindon (H), Cheltenham (A),

Millwall (H)

THEY SAY: "The league is very tight at the moment. You've got to stay patient... keep working hard on the training ground and stay together as a close unit. The squad we've got, the mentality we've got... it should be enough to see us through."

Defender, Richard Keogh.

CREWE ALEXANDRA

POSITION: 20

STORY SO FAR:

Crewe will need to be as cool as their Icelandic manager Gudjon Thordarsson as they face teams at either end of the table in the run-



in. Two wins in eight isn't inspiring form, while their record against teams in the bottom half is second worst behind ours.

KEY MEN: Tom Pope's goals could be divine intervention...

REMAINING FIXTURES: Swindon (A), Hartlepool (H), Oldham (A), Cheltenham (H), Stockport (A), Leicester (H)

THEY SAY: "We've got Swindon, Hartlepool and Cheltenham coming up. I think every game is the same at this stage. We need to be taking points in all the games we play in."

Neil Baker, Assistant Manager.

NORTHAMPTON TOWN

POSITION: 21

STORY SO FAR:

Northampton looked the least likely to be dragged into the tussle two weeks ago, especially after a 4-0 thumping of Stockport. Yet



consecutive defeats against Swindon, Yeovil and a draw at Carlisle saw them drop into the bottom four for the first time in 2009.

KEY MEN: Adebayo Akinfenwa's the main man up front, but Luke Guttridge is the catalyst in midfield.



REMAINING FIXTURES: Bristol Rovers (A), Southend (H), Leyton Orient (A), Scunthorpe (H), Hereford (H), MK Dons (H), Leeds (A)

THEY SAY: "There are seven games to go, beginning with the next one at Bristol Rovers. Out of adversity sometimes people respond and we have got to get ourselves out of it. There are still 21 points to go for and we've got to keep believing until it's mathematically impossible."

Manager, Stuart Gray.

BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION

POSITION: 22

points from the last eight games doesn't bode well for the Seagulls, and only Oldham have conceded more (17) and boast a worse record in that time. A 5-0 win against Yeovil suggested new manager Russell Slade could galvanize his side, but they're yet to score a goal since...

KEY MEN: Nicky Forster, especially when they play us. He always scores against us!

REMAINING FIXTURES: MK Dons (A), Hereford (A), Swindon (H), Colchester (A), Oldham (H), Bristol Rovers (A), Huddersfield (A), Stockport (H)

THEY SAY: "In our predicament we definitely needed three points and, as the gap is still the same, it is going to be difficult for us. It's looking like we need four or five wins to have any chance of staying in this division."

Defender, Andrew Whing.

HEREFORD UNITED

POSITION: 23

story so FAR: Three wins in four suggested the Bulls – boosted by the loan captures of Manchester United duo Sam Hewson and Febian Brandy – suggested they could mount a tangible recovery, but five consecutive defeats including

five consecutive defeats, including a 3-0 tonking at The County Ground has knocked the wind out of their sails. They face an excruciating

run-in, too ...

KEY MEN: Febian Brandy boasted quicker feet than Ronaldo and more tricks than the Great Soprendo, but he lacks experience in big games.

REMAINING FIXTURES: Hartlepool (A), Brighton (H), Leicester (H), Tranmere (A), Colchester (H), Yeovil (A), Northampton (A), MK Dons (H)

THEY SAY: "We've brought experience in for the last three or four matches. Sometimes that experience is an important thing especially when we find ourselves where we are. It gives us a fighting chance of survival and there's got to be an almighty belief that we can get out of trouble."

Manager, Graham Turner.

CHELTENHAM TOWN

POSITION: 24

STORY SO FAR:

Cheltenham must have muscles like Popeve after

keeping the rest of the division up all year, while financial difficulties saw them put their whole squad up for sale. Three consecutive draws have been good, but not good enough. Seven consecutive wins could still see them finish as high as 15th according to the stat bods at Football365.com, but three of their last four games are away from home, and they've won one on their

KEY MEN: Elvis.
No, really, Elvis
Hammond. He
scored two
against us and
has four in the
last eight.

travels all season.

REMAINING

FIXTURES: Leyton Orient (H), Peterborough (A), Yeovil (H), Crewe (A), Carlisle (H), Scunthorpe (A), Southend (A)

THEY SAY: "We are probably not going to get enough points to stay up, but what will be will be. I have plans and a vision for the future of this club."

Manager, Martin Allen.



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The last few home games have certainly provided entertainment with no less than six goals scored and two clean sheets to add to the feel good factor. It has been a busy week for the commercial department with several new events to let you know about.

END OF SEASON AWARDS NIGHT

Details have been unveiled for the End of Season Awards night which will be hosted by Chris Kamara on Sunday 3rd May 2009. The season will come to a close with the away trip to Peterborough United on Saturday 2nd May, with the awards night taking place 24 hours later in the Legends Lounge.

Those of you who attended the 1969 Celebration Dinner will know what a fantastic night that was, so don't miss out on what should be an excellent evening. Players, Directors and Management will be in attendance with individual tickets £35 per Season Ticket Holder and £40 for non Season Ticket Holders, to include a three course meal.

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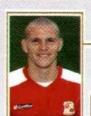


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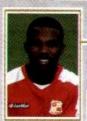


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KEY MOMENTS

17 MIN Billy Paynter almost completes a fine Swindon move but his curling effort is well held by Gulacsi in the Hereford goal.

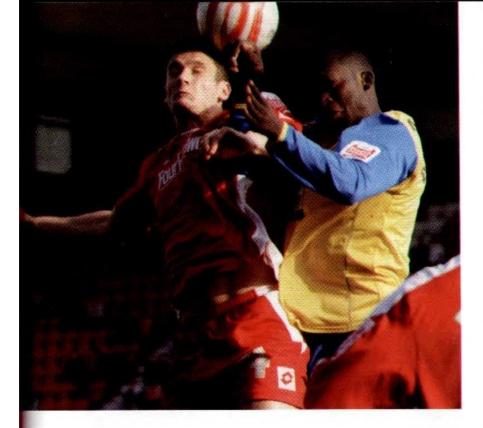
29 MIN Simon Cox breaks the deadlock as he heads home his 23rd goal of the season following a McNamee cross from the right flank.

34 MIN The pressure continues to build with Town exerting their offensive muscles, with Kevin Amankwaah firing a drive over the Hereford bar.

46 MIN Town double their lead in controversial fashion. A Tudur Jones shot trundles through and is back-heeled into the net by the retreating Simon Cox.

62 MIN The Robins almost add a third goal with Hal Robson-Kanu on hand to finish off from close range but the effort is ruled out for offside.

76 MIN The game is made safe with Cox and Robson-Kanu combining to find Paynter who slides home from close range past Liverpool Ioanee Gulacsi.



Action repl y **21.03.09**

Swindon Town claimed all three points over struggling Hereford United with a polished performance enough to secure a valuable league victory.

The Robins were dealt an early blow with Jamie Vincent forced off with a thigh strain with Jack Smith coming on to take his place at left-back with only 26 minutes on the clock.

Simon Cox struck twice against Graham Turner's men, the second of which found the net in controversial circumstances. Cox had appeared to connect with the ball whilst in an offside position but Referee Stuart Atwell allowed the goal to stand. The Town top scorer had headed home a first half opener before doubling his tally in the opening minute of the second period. Billy Paynter competed the scoring with a late third goal to settle the nerves of the Swindon faithful on a delightful afternoon in Wiltshire.







Swindon Town: Phil Smith; Kevin Amankwaah, Gordon Greer (Captain), Sean Morrison, Jamie Vincent (J Smith '26); Hal Robson-Kanu, Michael Timlin, Owain Tudur Jones (Nalis '75), Anthony McNamee (Marshall '81); Billy Paynter, Simon Cox.

Substitutes not used: Peter Brezovan, Blair Sturrock.

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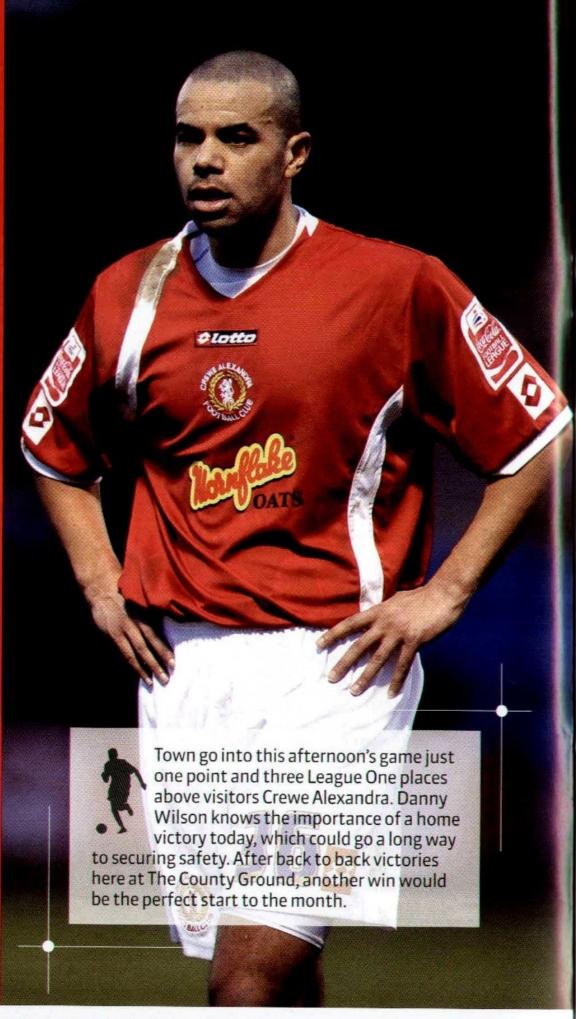


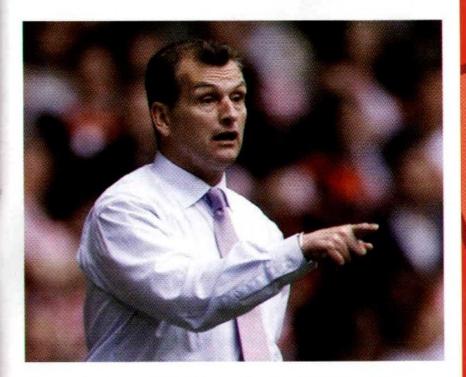
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Gudjon THORDARSON

Gudion Thordarson's officially became Crewe Alexandra's new manager on 30th December 2008 after accepting the club's offer on Christmas Eve.

Thordarson, succeeded first-team coach Steve Holland and took charge of his first game for the club's FA Cup tie at in charge of the club at Millwall on Saturday January 3rd. The match ended in a 2-2 draw.

Thordarson, who originally made his name in coaching circles in his native Iceland with Akranes, Akureyri and KR Reykjavik is best remembered for his time at our local neighbours Stoke City. He joined the Potters in November 1999 after just failing to guide the Icelandic national team to the European Championship Finals.

After becoming Stoke City's first foreign manager he guided the club to success in the Football League Trophy with a Wembley win over Bristol City. After twice missing out on promotion via the League One play-offs, Thordarson led the Potters to success in 2002 when defeating Brentford 2-0 at the Millennium Stadium.

Despite winning promotion to the Championship, Thordarson's contract was surprisingly not extended by the then Stoke City chairman

Gunnar Gislason. Just five days after that play-off success in Cardiff he departed the Britannia Stadium.

Following a brief spell at Norwegian side Start, Thordarson returned to these shores in 2003 to take charge of Barnsley. After a fairly reasonable start to his career at Oakwell, he left the club following the arrival of Peter Ridsdale in 2004.

He returned to Iceland in 2005 to take charge of Keflavik but left the club just before the start of the new season to take up the chance to manage League Two side Notts County.

His first season at Meadow Lane so nearly ended with a play-off place but his second season in Nottinghamshire nearly ended in relegation. Only a last minute penalty from Crewe's current captain Julien Baudet against Bury kept the Magpies in the Football League. Thordarson left the club in May 2006, returning to his former club Akranes ahead of the 2007/08 season. He guided the club to a respectable third place in the Icelandic Championship before leaving in July 2008.

As a manager in his native homeland, Gudjon has won four league Icelandic titles, four domestic cups and an Icelandic League Cup.

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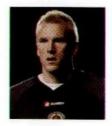
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- 21 Stuart Tomlinson
- 23 James Bailey
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- 35 Josh Thompson
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- 37 John Ruddy
- 38 Gylfi Sigurdsson
- 39 Alan Sheehan



in town



John Ruddy Everton goalkeeper with a wealth of league

with a wealt of league experience behind him despite his

young age. Joined the Alex for a one month loan in January 2009, making his debut against Tranmere in the Alex's 2-1 win. He joined Everton from Cambridge in 2005 but has only made one first team appearance for the Toffees.

John Brayford

Young defender who joined the Alex on transfer deadline day from non-league side Burton Albion. Brayford progressed through the youth ranks at 'The Brewers' after spending time as a boy with both Manchester City and Stoke City. He was a part of the England Schools FA team that faced Australia in February 2006.

Marlon Broomes

Former Swindon loanee who signed in January 2009 to ease some problems in defence as injury hit Crewe. He was recalled from his original loan spell by Blackpool when they were struggling

with defenders due to injury, but a week later he returned for a second spell with the Alex until the end of the season.

Danny Woodards

A versatile defender who joined the Alex in January 2007

from Exeter, followed six months later

by team-mate Billy
Jones. Danny made his
debut away at Bradford in
February 2007. Primarily a
right back, Danny can also
operate at left back and in
central defence, making him
an asset to any squad.

Shaun Miller

Prolific young goal scorer, who has been with the club since the age of 7, and signed his first professional contract with the club in June 2006. Miller marked his full debut with a goal against Blackpool and scored the winner against Swindon earlier this season.

Julien Baudet

French central defender who arrived at the Alex in June 2006 on a Bosman style free transfer having rejected a contract at Notts County. Baudet began his career in France with Ligue Un side Toulouse, having chosen to become a footballer having excelled as a skier in his youth.

Alan Sheehan

Irish left-back who signed for the Alex on loan from Leeds United in March 2009 until the end of the season. Sheehan has a wealth of experience and quality for his young age, beginning his career with Leicester City before loan spells with Mansfield and Leeds led to a permanent move to Yorkshire. Sent off at Swindon earlier in the campaign in Leeds colours.

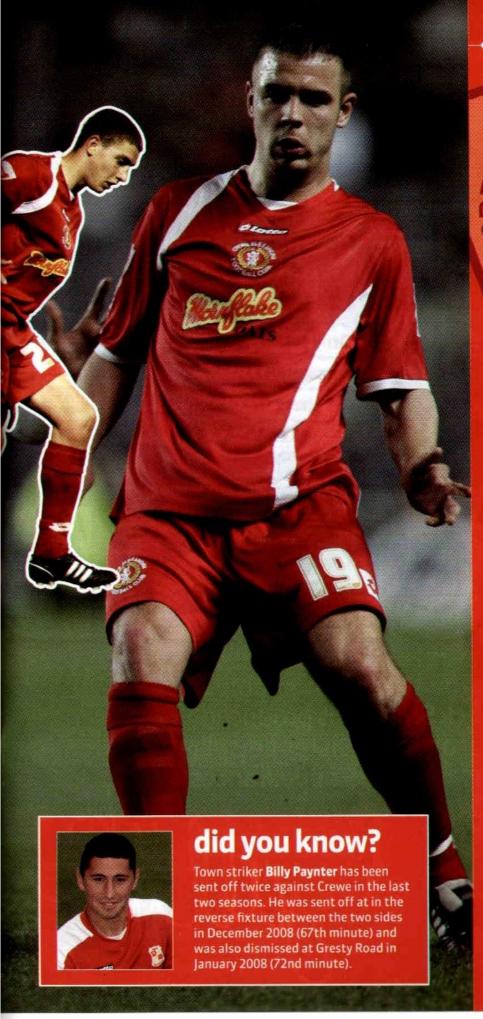
Gylfi Sigurdsson

19-year-old joined the Alex on loan at the end of February 2009 on an initial one month deal from Reading. A gifted midfielder, who scored on his debut for the Alex against Brighton, just the day after signing on loan. An Icelandic Under 21 International, he also spent time on loan with Shrewsbury this season.

Clayton Donaldson

Born in Yorkshire, Clayton began as a youth player for Bradford but his professional career began with Hull City in 2002. With chances in Hull's first team limited, he was released in 2005 and joined York City, before joining the Alex last summer and has six goals to his name this term.





Tom POPE(A//

Centre forward who realised a dream come true in October 2005 after signing an 18-month contract with the Alex following a successful trial spell.

The Stoke-born youngster actually had a trial spell with the Alex's Academy as a schoolboy, but wasn't retained and looked to build his career in non-league football.

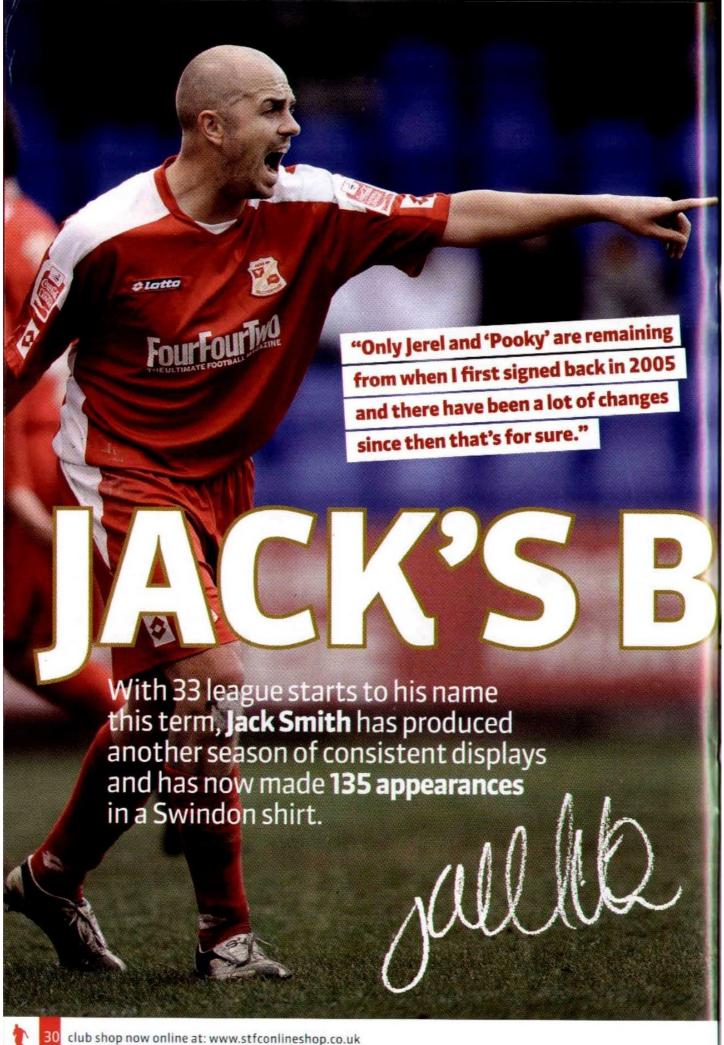
Pope began to catch the eye playing in the Midland Alliance for local side Biddulph Victoria, scoring 15 goals in his first season as a 17-year-old and 12 in the first two months of the 2005/6 campaign.

After spending the first couple of months of his Crewe career playing in the reserves and learning on the training ground, Pope eventually made some loan moves to gain more first team experience. He impressed by scoring plenty of goals for Lancaster and, after returning to Crewe, was sent out on loan to Stafford Rangers, where he finished that season.

During the 2006/2007 season Pope had a very impressive loan spell at Barrow, even scoring for them in the FA Cup against League One side Bristol Rovers before returning to Crewe.

He certainly got his wish for more involvement last season, as the 'target man' featured a total of 28 times in all competitions and striking up a partnership with Nicky Maynard. He also got his input in the goals too, ending the season with seven goals following his first at Bristol Rovers in only the second League game of the season. Although, Pope had his own injury problems, picking up a broken toe towards the end of the season, he played through the pain barrier to help the Alex to a 3-0 win over Yeovil Town in April.

He has found himself in-and-out of the side so far this season, but has still chipped in with 5 vital goals.



The arrival of Kevin Amankwaah last summer provided added competition to the right-back slot. The new signing looked to be the odds on favourite for a starting berth, but Smith's unassuming performances proved enough to be handed the shirt well into the New Year.

Now one of Town's longest-serving players after joining from Watford in the summer of 2005 alongside the likes of Charlie Comyn-Platt, Ricky Shakes and Tony Thorpe (who have all since left the ranks of professional fooball). Utilised at left-back during his first season at The County Ground under former boss Andy King, Smith returned to the role from the bench against Hereford United after an injury to Jamie Vincent.

How has the week's training been after defeat last weekend?

We had a few days off which was great because we have had a lot of games recently and it gave the lads a chance to recharge the batteries. We In pre-season we played well against very good teams on tour and then we came back here and more than held our own against Cardiff and Plymouth, both Championship sides. We wanted to have a push at the playoffs but unfortunately things haven't worked out this season.

Things have changed over the years here, what major differences have you noticed?

When I first arrived at the club we didn't have a fitness coach. but last summer Dave Morrison came in to fill that role. In the early days here we didn't get fed after training whereas now all the players eat as a group after the morning sessions which keep the squad together. At Watford we used to have breakfast and lunch, which

five, because Billy claimed the one against Millwall! In some programmes I read I have five goals, so that's what I tell people.

Simon Cox has certainly been a striker in form. What is he like to play alongside?

> He is a striker that thrives on confidence and when he gets one he gets the bit

between
his teeth and
that's great to
see. Against
Yeovil he was
shooting from
everywhere and
you know there
is always a goal
in him.

How do you decide who takes the penalties?

I always want to take them, but 'Coxy' started the season on penalty duty before missing one, then I took over. When the new Gaffer came in he said he wanted a striker to take them so 'Coxy' has been taking them ever since. He has been doing well with them and hopefully he will go on and win the golden boot.

Crewe Alexandra are the visitors today. What type of game are you expecting this weekend?

Home advantage will be massive for us. It should be a big battle on the pitch and it could be a nervy encounter. If the crowd can get behind us again then we will have every chance of taking all three points. Our fans were superb against Yeovil last weekend; that kind of support goes a long way.

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came back in on Thursday and it was straight into intense training, which was short and sharp. The time off was needed and it's important to get the balance right between playing games and being ready to go into a game at full tilt.

The season has certainly been another traumatic one, something you are getting used to as Town player...

That's right (laughs). Only Jerel and 'Pooky' are remaining from when I first signed back in 2005 and there have been a lot of changes since then that's for sure.

The squad looked to have great potential at the start of the campaign too...

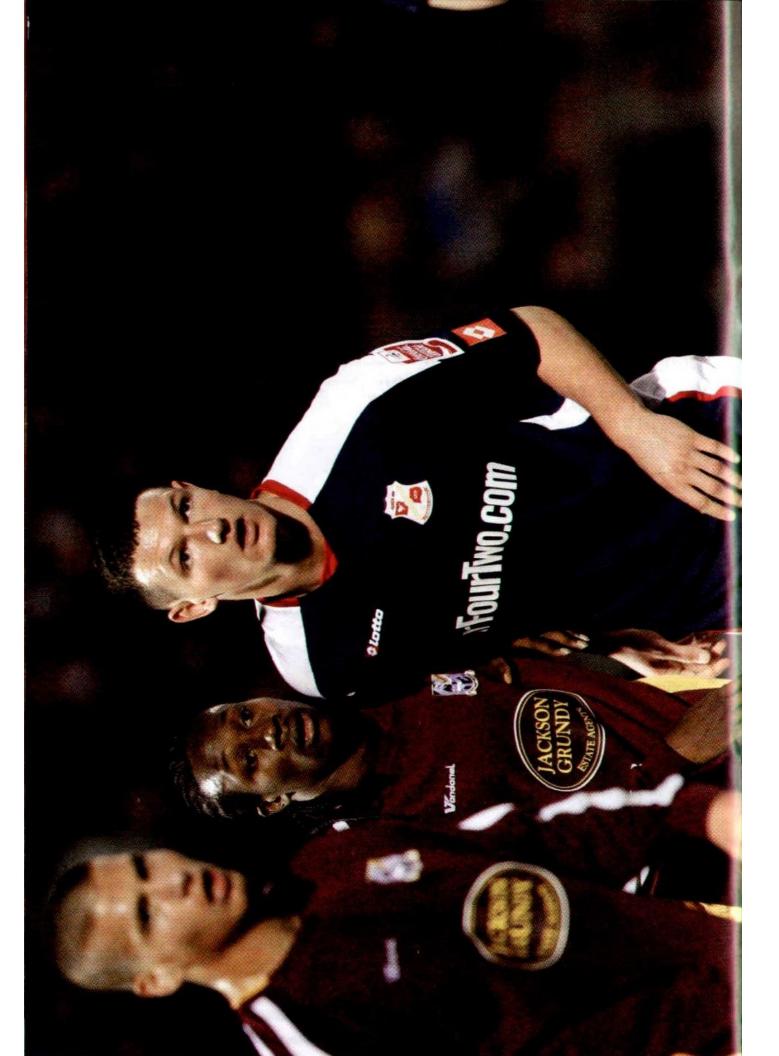
we now have here. The whole club is run a lot more professionally now compared to when I first signed.

You returned to the side against Northampton, what was that like to play in?

It was an exciting game that's for sure. In the first half we battered them and should have been out of sight, but they came back into it after the break. Thankfully we stood firm for the majority and 'Coxy' banged in a few goals in addition to a fine strike from Billy.

Four goals this term isn't a bad return. How do you decide who takes the spot-kicks?

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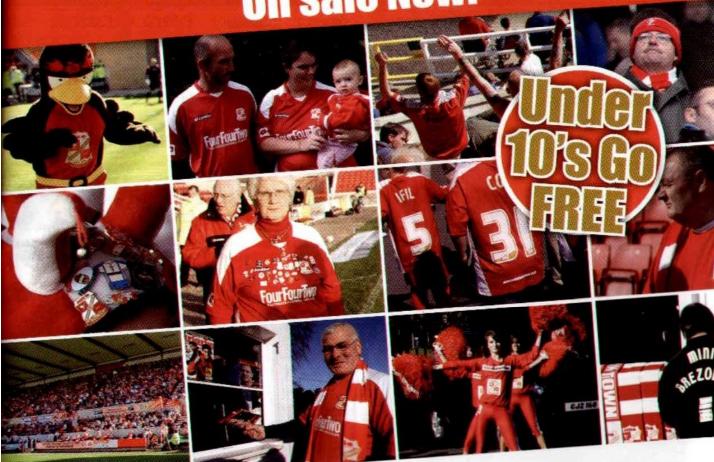




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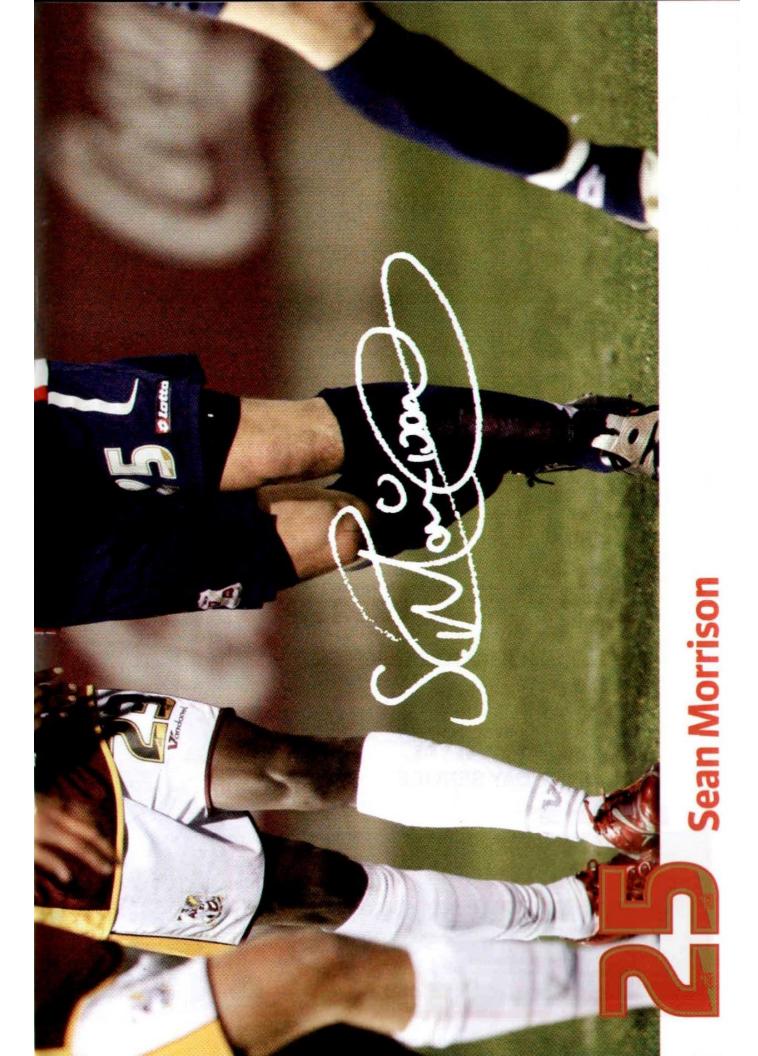
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A classic encounter











Words: Dave Wallis

Final Score: Swindon Town 1 Crewe Alexandra 0

The County Ground Monday 5th May 1986 Division Four

This was not so much a classic match, as a classic day. At least for Town supporters.

The weather on Bank Holiday Monday hadn't started too well for the last game of 1985/86. But then again, neither had Swindon's season.

Early rain had given way to a dry but blustery day and almost 11,000 were about to descend on The County Ground. Most would be here to watch Town, some would arrive from Crewe to watch Alex, but all those with Swindon Town at heart would be here for one thing in particular. The presentation of the Canon League Division Four trophy.

Crewe boss Dario Gradi called on the services of David Platt, who would go on to make 62 appearances for England (but none on Coronation Street), and Geoff Thomas, who would claim nine caps of his own.

Ex-Crewe man Peter Coyne struck the only goal of the game past Rob Powner from a Dave Bamber header with twenty minutes to go, and with Town supporters ready to party three minutes were added to the 90 to account for fans' premature encroachment on to the pitch

Future Scottish international Colin Calderwood had been christened Player of the Year at half time to add to the celebratory atmosphere.

Obviously the final table saw Town top, but the margin was huge. Eighteen points separated us from second-placed Chester City, and promotion had been achieved by 29 points.



"Club records were set left, right and centre, with 14 consecutive home wins."

Defender turned goal scoring hero Charlie Henry finished top scorer on 18.

And back to that start to the season, after eight games - which included five defeats - we were 21st in the table. From then on we were beaten just three times. From the second week of January Town went undefeated to the end, a total of 21 games without loss.

Club records were set left, right and centre, with 14 consecutive home wins, six consecutive away victories, and fewest defeats and most wins. The run of eight consecutive wins we claimed as 1986 got underway was a club record, but 15 out of the 17 games prior to that had also ended in victory. Altogether 32 home fixtures resulted in three points, more than any season before or since, and the 102 points which were amassed was, unsurprisingly, a League record.

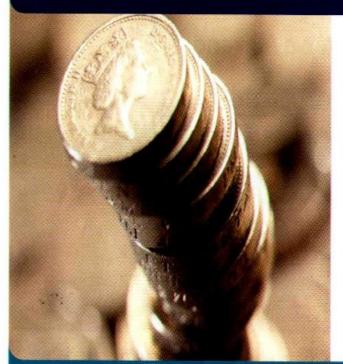
Not bad after such a dismal start. Crewe finished the season in 12th place on 63 points.

So, apologies to our visitors. Today's article is a one-sided story, but a good one for most people gathered here this afternoon.





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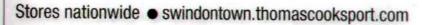


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under way at 9.30am and finishing at 2.30pm.

Our representatives will be Grange Junior School who will be up against eleven teams from the Southern Region of Coca-Cola League One. This prestigious tournament has the ultimate conclusion with the final taking place at the new Wembley prior to the League One Play-Off final.

Saturday Team Club

Today we would like to offer a warm welcome to Richard King and his group from Thatcham Town Harriers.

Colerne Primary School are also visiting today, who have been organised by Helen Hughes. Finally, our third Saturday Team Club today are Liden FC who are here with Evette Bennett.

Let's hope they all have a fantastic day here with us and witness a three point home victory!

Easter Courses Coming Up

Our Easter Courses kick-off on Tuesday where we have 200 plus youngsters attending.

The second week gets under way the following Tuesday where we still have a few limited places available.

For those lucky people who have booked on both courses, we are running a free coaching day on Friday 17th April to show our appreciation for your loyalty and support on signing up for both weeks.

The next important date for vour diaries is the Whitsun Week when we will again run a three day programme, on Tuesday 26th - Thursday 28th May 2009.

Football League Community Cup

The Football League Community Cup Under 11's Southern Finals will be staged here at The County Ground on Monday 20th April 2009, with proceedings getting

Entry for supporters is free on the day so it you would like to come along and watch some of the action, then come on down!

Disability Update

Last Sunday saw over 14 adult disability football teams compete in the Wiltshire Round of the South West Ability Counts Northern League.



















Teams from Wiltshire,
Gloucestershire, Dorset and
Somerset battled it out on a
beautiful day at Stanley Park in
Chippenham. The event which
was organised through Swindon
Town Football in the Community
Trust and the Wiltshire FA saw 100
players with learning and physical
disabilities participate in a very
enjoyable day for all.

Alongside the men's fixtures, Football in the Community Coaches delivered a female coaching taster session. This session was designed to encourage females with learning and physical disabilities to participate in the game. The coaches put the females through their paces on a range of activities from shooting accuracy to passing.

The men's regional final will take place on the 10th May in Somerset where it is hoped that our Swindon Leopards will win the final and represent the South West at the David Beckham Academy there after in the National Final.

Soccer Centre & Mini Soccer Update

Over the last week customers on last terms courses at Soccer Centres have had priority to book onto next terms courses.

With this period of time now over new customers can now enrol from now. We have a few spaces available with many of our Soccer Centres filling up quickly. For information on which centres have spaces contact Shane on 01793 617718.

We also have minimal spaces left on our Mini Soccer Programme so if there are any budding 4-5 year old footballers out there who would like to join then contact **Luke** on **01793 421303**.

Tiny Tots Update

We are now taking names for our Tiny Tots waiting list for our programme that will continue in September.

These sessions are for 3-4 year olds and are very popular so if you are interested please call **Luke** on **01793 421303**.



Who's Who and Contacts



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Mike Spearman Clive Maguire / Jon Holloway Shane Hewlett Luke Sharps Adam Greaney Tim Hall / Sean Harper

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GIRLS SOCCER CENTRES

6.00-7.00

5-7yrs

Devises Monday:	3.10-4.10	11-14yr			
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Football in the Community Office t: 01793 421303

Soccer Centre Enquiries t: 01793 617718 / 07919 112982

Tiny Tots and Mini Soccer t: 01793 617718

Action repl►y - 24.03.09

Photography: Lawrence Smith





NORTHAMPTON TOWN SWINDON TOWN

A third hat-trick of the campaign from top scorer Simon Cox helped Swindon to a crucial win over relegation rivals Northampton Town at Sixfields.

There was one change to the line-up that had faced Hereford United three days earlier, with Jack Smith starting at left-back in place of Jamie Vincent who missed out with a thigh injury.

Simon Cox fired in a treble with Billy Paynter also netting a fine effort against The Cobblers, who opened the scoring through former Swindon target Adebayo Akinfenwa.





18 MIN Anthony McNamee robs Paul Rodgers of the ball before crossing in for Cox, whose brave header finds the back of the net.

31 MIN

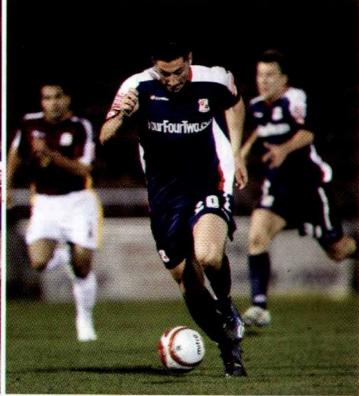


Billy Paynter flicks a ball through for Cox who races clear before instinctively lifting the ball over the stranded Cobblers keeper Chris Dunn from 25 yards.



40 MIN Swindon extend the lead to 3-1 with a superb individual goal from Paynter, who collected a Cox flick on, shrugged off two challenges before firing past Dunn.











Swindon Town: Phil Smith; Kevin Amankwaah, Gordon Greer (Capt), Sean Morrison, Jack Smith; Hal Robson-Kanu, Owain Tudur Jones, Michael Timlin, Anthony McNamee; Billy Paynter, Simon Cox.

Substitutes not used: Peter Brezovan, Lescinel Jean-Francois, Blair Sturrock.



68 MIN Danny Jackman takes advantage of a free-kick opportunity, curling the ball round the wall and into the top corner past Phil Smith.

79 MIN



Cox completes his hattrick, bundling home a low cross from Paynter from three yards out before celebrating in front of the hundreds of traveling Town fans.

87 MIN



Substitute Ikechi Anya drives in the first goal of his professional career to reduce the arrears, but thankfully The Robins have done enough to secure the win.







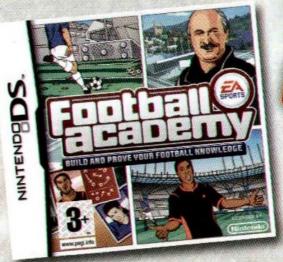




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Location: The Legends Lounge **Time:** 7.30pm start for best seats

To book tickets call: 0871 223 2300 or for enquiries email: marie@swindontownfc.co.uk

Wednesday 29th April Swindon Town FC Golf Day -

The event will be held at Bowood Golf and Country Club on the stunning championship golf course. The package comprises of:

- -The opportunity to play alongside a Swindon Town player
- Coffee and bacon butties on arrival
- 18 holes of golf
- Two-course dinner with coffee.

The price for a team of four is £195 plus VAT.

For more details or to book your team's place, please call the STFC Marketing Department on **0844 880 1095**

Sunday 3rd May STFC 2008/09 Awards Dinner -

Join us to close the season in style!

This prestigious event will be attended by the current 1st team squad and management. The evening will be hosted by Sky Sports' Chris Kamara and will include a 3-course meal, Awards presentation featuring 'Goal of the Season' vote and live music from local band 24/7.

A evening not to be missed by any Town fan!

Season Ticket Holders £35 inc VAT. Non Season Ticket Holders £40 inc VAT. See page 8 for more information.

27th & 29th April Play on the Pitch -

Pull on the shirt and take to the pitch! A real chance to make your dreams come true...



Play on the Pitch - Monday 27th April, (Aged 16 years and above) Veterans Play on the Pitch - Wednesday 29th April, (Aged 35 years and over)

Location: The Hallowed Turf, The County Ground Time: Both matches will kick off at 7.30pm

To book your place on the team call Adam Wainwright on 0844 880 1094 or email adam@swindontownfc.co.uk

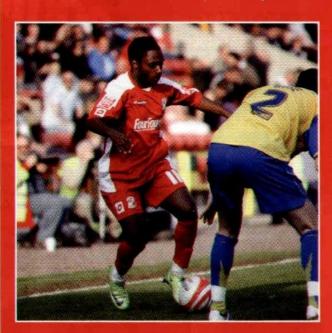


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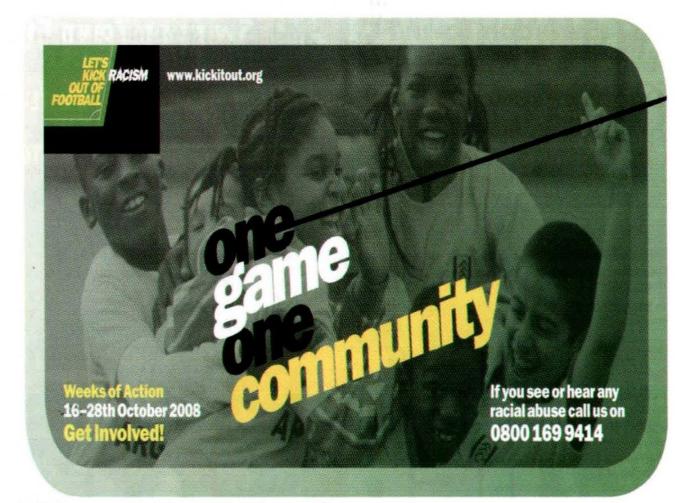


VS: LEYTON ORIENT Monday 13th April - Kick Off 3.00pm



VS: BRISTOL ROVERS Saturday 25th April - Kick Off 12.00pm

For more information or to book your tickets call **Adam Wainwright** on **0844 880 1094** or send an e-mail to: **adam@swindontownfc.co.uk**





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Record breaker!

Words: Ed Hadwin

Given we've only got three more home games this season, it's high time I did a column about Simon Cox. Looking back through this season, I couldn't quite believe I hadn't done one already.

Swindon haven't been a one man team this season, but anyone who's watched them will be well aware of just how important he's been. Cox is just one short of matching Sam Parkin's 25 League 1 goals scored in 2002-3. Given the way he's playing and the number of games left, I have little doubt he'll surpass "Super" Sam's record at some point.

According to my records (and I'm sure it won't take long for someone to point out if I'm wrong!), since World War 2 only 2 Swindon players have scored more than 25 league goals. Peter Eastoe and Bob Edwards both reached 26 (in 1974-5 and 1956-7 respectively). Again, there has to be every chance that Cox will become the Town's greatest ever single season, post war goalscorer. Given the players who've worn the red shirt over the last 50 plus years, that would be some achievement.

But the statistics don't even begin to tell the full story. The goals have been scored in a team which has, at best, been mid-table. The variety of goals is impressive too. His strike against Fenerbahce on the team's pre-season tour of Austria is the best I've ever seen in the flesh. If you haven't already, make sure you watch it on YouTube, although even that doesn't get close to the real majesty of the goal. And it wasn't a fluke; he did something similar against Walsall at The County Ground. He's just as adept at the tap ins, and in recent weeks he's even found the back of the net with a few more headers.

Add in his work rate and you can understand why scouts from so

many Championship and Premier League teams have been watching him. Speaking to one of them last week, he wasn't sure if Cox was quite good enough to play at the top level. I disagreed. He may not be as quick as some Premier League strikers, but I believe his all round game, and his ability to score those "special" goals sets him apart.

Will he go this summer? I hope not, but I can't believe someone won't offer the kind of money which would make it difficult for both player and club to turn down. Replacing him directly may be all but impossible, but as long as Danny Wilson is given a decent amount of any fee (and I'd be looking for something in the region of £2 million, up front) to strengthen the squad, it may even work out for everyone.



Above: Relaxing during pre-season.

Below: That's the third! 'Coxy' bags the hat-trick ball.

"His strike against Fenerbahce on the team's pre-season tour of Austria is the best I've ever seen in the flesh."



Under 18's



SWINDON TOWN 3 OXFORD UNITED 0

Puma Alliance League **Liddington Training Ground** Saturday 21st March

Swindon produced another good performance against their local rivals with another clean sheet from young stopper Jamie Stephens.

In front of watching first team manager Danny Wilson, Swindon had to work extremely hard to control the game on what was a bobbly bouncy pitch and windy conditions.

Matt Barnes playing on the left side of midfield had a golden opportunity to open his league account, but with an open goal at his mercy the ball bobbled up and his shot went somehow over the bar from four yards.

With 40 minutes played and only limited opportunities to score it was indeed Barnes who got his just rewards as he chased a lost cause, when he closed down the Oxford keeper blocked his clearance and

rolled the ball in from the edge of the penalty box to put the Town into a deserved half-time lead and score his first competitive goal of this campaign.

Second half with the wind in the Town backs Oxford were camped in their own half and with 10 minutes gone a towering defensive header by Nathan Thompson and good link up play through midfield, strikers Danny Wallington and Jamie Taylor combined for Taylor to score with a composed low finish leaving the Oxford keeper with no chance. It was more pressure down the flanks with Barnes and Lloyd Macklin creating opportunities with some powerful running and good crosses into the penalty area.

A good run and cross from Macklin resulted with Billy Bodin scoring the third and last goal in the 85th minute on what was another excellent all round display. Another clean sheet from young Jamie Stephens and a good solid defensive display was the basis of this team performance and three more points in the race for the

Youth Coach Paul Bodin was again

delighted with the efforts of his players.

"The players have done tremendously well this season and their desire and commitment for each other has never been in doubt.

"Football at this level is all about player development, but the spirit and the will to work hard for each other should never be underestimated."

SWINDON TOWN 4 BRISTOL ROVERS 1

Puma Youth Alliance The Liddington Training Ground Saturday 28th March 2009

Swindon Town's Under 18's produced another good performance against a hardworking Rovers side in the penultimate home game of the season.

The game started brightly with both teams trying to get the upper hand and create an opening. Rovers had one or two long range efforts, but didn't hit the target, but as the game developed it was The Robins who took advantage of a hand ball by Matt Cooper inside his own penalty area conceding a penalty. Andy Westall stepped up and unstoppable shot into the top corner to take a one-nil lead into half-time.

Five minutes into the second half striker Danny Wallington had to leave the field of play due to a head injury and was replaced by first year apprentice Jordan Record. Five minutes later a rash challenge by defender Will Evans on the edge of the penalty box was adjudged inside by the referee and the resultant penalty was scored to level the score to 1-1.

In the 60th minute a corner on the right from Mark Hartmann was flicked on at the near post by Will Evans and volleyed home from substitute Jordan Record. Only a few moments later Lloyd Macklin chased a through ball which bounced over the on rushing goalkeeper and Macklin calmly volleyed in to the empty goal to make it 3-1. Young U-15 defender Joe Chapman came off the bench with twenty minutes remaining to make his first appearance at Under 18 level.

With just five minutes remaining it was left to Jamie Taylor to score his 25th competitive goal when he found himself in a one on one with the keeper and he clinically slid the ball home for what was a thoroughly deserved win.

Youth coach Paul Bodin was heartened by another positive display from his title chasers.

"It was another good all round performance with the players looking strong throughout the game and with difficult pitch conditions they try to pass the ball as effectively as they can

"It was also a good opportunity to give young Joe Chapman his debut at only 14 years of age after his mature consistent performances in the U16 side."

INJURY UPDATE

Kurt Hammonds is now back working hard at his rehab with Dick Mackey in the gym and swimming pool, and should be given the all clear for a pre-

season return to full training.

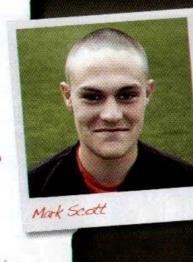
Mark Scott is still a slight cause for concern with his damaged thumb as he still has some discomfort and until he has another scan we are unsure of any immediate return to action.

Callum Antell our first year Apprentice Goalkeeper is now back in full training after damaging his wrist and should play in the remaining fixtures this season.

U17 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIERS

Billy Bodin scored the opening goal against Turkey with a tremendous left-foot volley into the top corner as the hosts fought back twice to claim a point in the first group game of the tournament.

The next game saw Wales lost 3-0 to Finland, a result that leaves them bottom of their group with only one game remaining.







PUMA YOUTH ALLIANCE TABLE –
South West Conference, up to & including
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Swansea City	16	9	3	4	26	17	+9	30
Exeter City	16	9	1	6	33	18	+15	28
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Yeovil Town	16	6	4	6	20	24	-4	22
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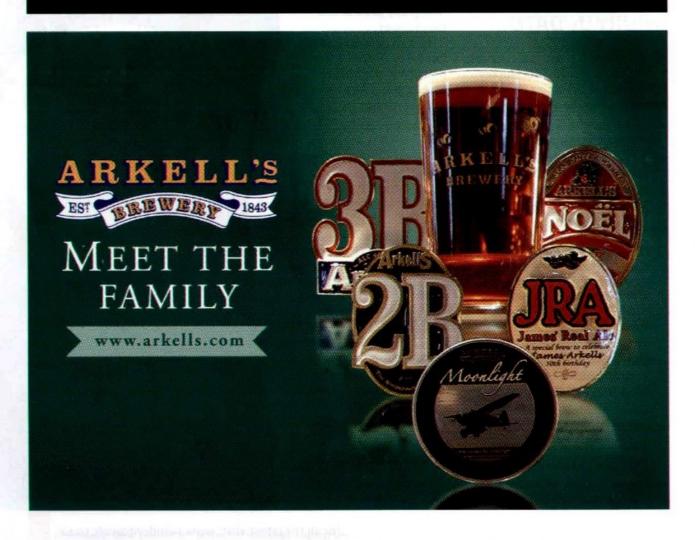




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JUNIOR ROBINS

Hello everyone and welcome to the Junior Fans from Crewe Alexandra that have made the trip to The County Ground this afternoon.

Any queries please contact Sharon on 0777 6207 655/ 01793 527 470 or email shazfranklin@aol.com

MEET THE PLAYERS EVENING

On Thursday 26th March the Junior Robins had a Meet the Players evening at The County Ground. We were very lucky in meeting Sean Morrison, Ben Joyce, Peter Brezovan and Gordon Greer. I think the parents and the Junior Robins all enjoyed meeting the players. There were plenty of good questions asked and I can proudly say that the Robins beat the players in a quick quiz!

I would like to say thank you to the players for joining us for the evening, Chris, Gill and Nicky for the food and to Adam for helping organise the event.



BRIGHTON AWAY TRIP

I do still have a few places left for the trip to Brighton next week, if you are interested in joining us for the last trip of the season for the Junior Robins please let me know as soon as possible.













JUNIOR ROBINS CLUBROOM

Just to let you know that the Junior Robins Clubroom won't be open for the last home game of the season, against Bristol Rovers. I will be contactable in the Legends Lounge though before the game for any enquiries. Remember the game kicks off at 12pm!

2009/10 SEASON

As we only have a few games left of this season I am already thinking of the 2009/10 season! Although at the moment I don't have details about what benefits we will have for the Junior Robins I do know that we will be bringing you the best service we can.

This season has been great for the Robins, with four away trips and the tour around Wembley. We also now have the JR Clubroom for match days. We have also had a couple of Meet the Players evenings, a training session with the players and a Christmas Party.



We will be doing all this and more for next season. As well as discounts we also offer the chance to be the Swindon Town match day mascots at away games.

If you would like more details, or for me to send out a new membership form to you as soon as they are printed in the close season please let me know.

For any enquiries please let me know 07776 207655 or 01793 527470. Shazfranklin@aol.com

Many thanks Sharon

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to Kate Ward, Scott Drew and Jack Johnson over the next few days everyone at the club hope you have a great birthday. And belated birthdays greetings to Owen Pugh, Alex Howroyd, Ben Cox, Connor Wilson, Megan Bentley-Pearson and Sophie Wheeler. I hope you all had great birthdays.





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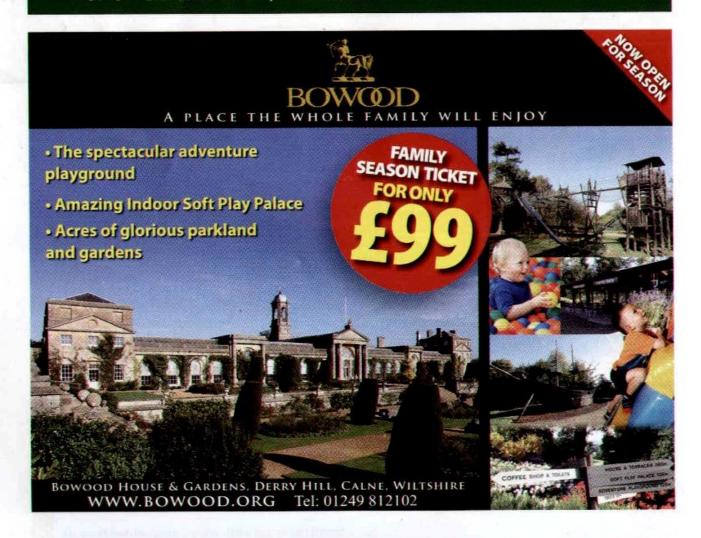
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MAKE PLENTY OF NOISE FOR THE SWINDON BOYS

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to our League One home clash with Crewe Alexandra.

Another fixture of huge importance starts at three this afternoon and for two hours or so the tension I am sure will ebb and flow with I hope the right result coming through.

Three wins in four games see us moving up the table but with any four from nine teams taking the plunge it is the closest League One table for many years. We have the points on the board and are not looking for favours anywhere, so with any luck the only plunge our team will be taking is that of the one on in the holiday hotel pool in the summer.

The old cliché of a six point game

speaks louder than ever today with Crewe in the same position as us. A win for either team will relieve tension and make the coming week a little more bearable. You the fans feel this as much as the players it means a lot for YOUR TEAM to do well. The volumes over the past few games have been tremendous pleased give yourselves a slap on the back. However with three home games remaining the job is not done as I am sure that you are well aware. Make YOUR Support for YOUR TEAM heard for the rest of the season by MAKING PLENTY OF NOISE FOR THE SWINDON BOYS.

I must admit that in recent games the football played by the boyz has at times been a sheer joy to watch. We picked up vital points in style without the hint of controversy well coxy's second goal against Hereford makes up for the others in the season that we should have been allowed.

Many thanks for all of your birthday and special mentions that are sending in to myself and Shaun it is a pleasure to receive them and we do our best to make your day as special as we can. We can be reached on email at cgfm@swindontownfc. co.uk or post them to us here at the County Ground.

Enjoy the game this afternoon keep the noise levels as high as possible by MAKING PLENTY OF NOISE FOR THE SWINDON BOYS!

Enjoy the game

YOUR SMS PICS ON YOUR TRAVELS



The Red Army were out in force again for the recent trip to Northampton Town with a selection of away fan images taken on the night...





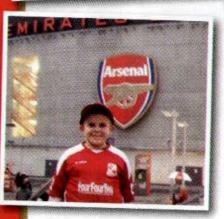


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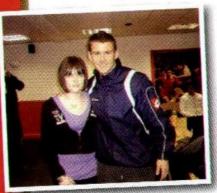
Show your colours and send us your SMS footie and holiday snaps! Please email your pics to chris@swindontownfc.co.uk for your chance to appear here!



Smith On Tour! - Town supporter Adrian Smith enjoyed a night out at the Football League Awards last Sunday night. Adrian, who writes for the official website, is also a local Referee and will be refereeing one of this year's Play on the Pitch fixtures.



It's Gunner Be Good - Haydon Robinson, 7, is pictured here at The Emirates Stadium after watching Arsenal take on Roma. Haydon is a keen Swindon fan and enjoys games from the Don Rogers Stand.



Striking a Pose-Gemma Pickford is pictured with her favourite Swindon Town player, Simon Cox, at the Junior Robins Training Session in February.



at the Estádio do Maracanã - more commonly known as The Maracanã Stadium in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.



Leeds, Leeds! - Pictured with Billy Bremner at our recent match at Leeds United are regular away travellers Iris Higgs, Kim Young and Paul Bartlett.



Good afternoon and welcome to yet another important match.

After the three great wins, we came down to earth with a bit of a bump at Yeovil, however I must thank everyone who turned out in such numbers at both Northampton and Yeovil to support the team. It was a terrific response.

The last two results from the halftime draw are.

Southend United

- 1. N Little, Swindon, No. 441, £325
- 2. To Be Claimed, No. 482, £35
- 3. J Hobbs, Cricklade, No. 846, £10

Hereford United

1. A Stevens, Swindon, No. 989, £440 2. B Peachey, Wroughton, No. 78, £50 3. R Pattend, Swindon, No. 1025, £10

Once again may I thank everyone for participation in the draw, your support has been fantastic. In recognition of this and in line with previous years, we will be holding a "super draw" at the last match of the season guaranteeing minimum main prize of £1000. The second prize will again be a Season Ticket for next season, worth a minimum of £279.

As the season draws swiftly towards its conclusion may I draw our members attention to our latest newsletter which should be in the post around the time of today's game.

Importantly it contains your voting slip for the Player of the Year and also details of our Player of the Season dinner which is taking place at The County Ground on Tuesday 28th April. Although attendance priority is given to supporters club members, non members may also attend what is always a very popular evening hosted by supporters, for supporters and with attendance from club officials and players.

Any non member wishing to express an interest can get in contact by emailing chairman@ swindontownsupportersclub.com or by ringing 01865 820499.

I hope to see you there on the night! Let's hope today's match delivers another three points.

Roger



Mavis Knight of the STFC Supporters Club is presented with the Hereford United matchball by midfielder Michael Timlin.

favourite

Kim Young

Location: Carterton
Favourite Goal: Marlon Broomes
26-02-1997 Football League
Championship match Swindon 3-1
Birmingham.

Past player: Peter Brezovan Best Game: Lincoln 2 Swindon 3 Season 2006 / 07.

Score prediction: Crewe 2-1.

£'s for points

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Kevin Legg	5
Sandy & Peter Gray	5
Mike McQueen	3
Peter Cuss	2.5
Andy Whitaker	2
David Barry	2
Maurice Heritage	2
Swindon Town Disabled Group	2
Robert Stephenson	1.5
Honor Fraser	1
Maureen & Chris Kirkland	1
Iris Higgs	1
Paul Bartlett	1
Simon Bayliss	1
David Toddington	1
David Johnson	1
Mike Dew	1
Max Johnson	1
Bill Dolman	1
Adrian, Doug & Graham Smith	1
Jerry Walsh	1
Joan Griffiths	1
Eileen & Paul Bailey	1
Paul Spearman	1
Mike & Olive Spearman	1
Rod & Hilda Sheppard	1
Toni Cox	1
Kim Young	i
Wendy & Jim Murray	1
Trust STFC	1
Frank Bunce	i
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Lloyd and Fiona Russell	1
George and William Woodley	1
Rose and Mike Jones	1
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COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE MANAGER OF THE MONTH AWARD DARREN FERGUSON



Peterborough United boss Darren Ferguson was celebrating after being named Coca-Cola League 1 Manager of the Month for March.

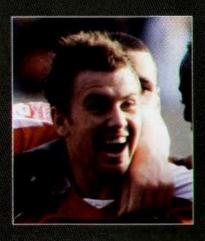
Ferguson's men hit top form in March, winning all six of their league fixtures. Their month began with back to back victories away at Leyton Orient and Hartlepool United before netting three points at home to Scunthorpe United and Northampton Town respectively. Their excellent run continued with three points at Bristol Rovers before ending the month with an impressive victory against title rivals Leicester City, which leaves the Posh challenging for top spot in Coca-Cola League 1 as they head into April.

Also short-listed for the March award were Simon Grayson of Leeds United, Kenny Jackett of Millwall and Southend United's Steve Tilson.

Chris Kamara, chairman of the Coca-Cola Manager of the Month Awards panel, said: "Darren Ferguson's team had an outstanding month. They had tricky fixtures including the leaders Leicester but overcame everything put in front of them. Ferguson is a young manager but gets better and better as the months go on, and they've now given themselves a great chance of playing in the Coca-Cola Championship next season."

Kevin Blackwell of Sheffield United won the award in the Championship and Chesterfield's Lee Richardson was given the League 2 accolade.

The decision to present the Coca-Cola League 1 Manager of the Month award was made by the Coca-Cola Awards panel headed by Sky Sports pundit Chris Kamara, former World Cup referee Jack Taylor, on behalf of The Football League, Richard Bevan and Olaf Dixon of the League Managers Association and Steve Watts, Marketing Assets Manager, Coca-Cola Great Britain.



COXY NOMINATED FOR POWERADE AWARD

Swindon Town striker has been nominated for the Powerade Player of the Month Award for March 2009.

The front man has been in outstanding form, firing in eight goals in as many games to help The Robins claw themselves away from the relegation zone.

Cox began the month with industrious displays against Cheltenham Town and MK Dons at The County Ground, before netting from the spot at Colchester United. He went close at Leeds United as Town went down 1-0, before hitting a fine spell of form in the middle of the month.

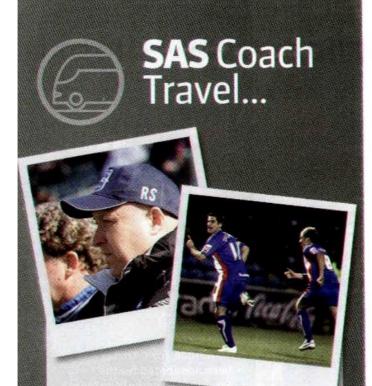
Double strikes against Southend United and Hereford United were followed up with a superb treble at Northampton Town, a club where he spent part of the 2006/07 season on loan – scoring three goals in six league starts.

The winners will be announced on Big League Weekend 2, on Sky Sports 1 this coming Monday at 6pm.

The March Powerade Player of the Month Nominations:

JERMAINE BECKFORD
Leeds United
CHRIS WHELPDALE
Peterborough United
GARY HOOPER
Scunthorpe United
SIMON COX
Swindon Town







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Departs from The County Ground at 10.15am. All seats must be paid for at time of booking Please note that credit/debit card payment will now be taken at time of booking.

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COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE

v Brighton & Hove Albion Saturday 11th April, Kick-Off 3.00pm, Withdean Stadium

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COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE
v Carlisle United

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Matchday Prices:

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Junior (11-17) £8

Junior (under10) £4

Junior (under 7) free

W/Chair (includes free carer) £2

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family/free U7 tickets are available on matchdays. Please purchase in advance.

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be accompanied by an adult, and need to be registered (once only) at the Box Office, with proof of age, by 5pm on the day prior to matchday.

****Please note juniors must

be accompanied by an adult in the Town End.

Next up at home...





COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE

v Leyton Orient Monday 13th April, Kick-Off 3.00pm, The County Ground

Danny Wilson was appointed Swindon Town manager on the same day that The Robins registered an away win at Brisbane Road. The Boxing Day clash saw Lee Peacock and Jack Smith on the scoresheet in a 2-1 win over The O's. Martin Ling was replaced as Orient boss by Geraint Williams in February 2009.

Matchday Prices: See left.





COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE

v Bristol Rovers Saturday 25th April, Kick-Off 12.00pm, The County Ground

The last home game of the season sees local rivals Bristol Rovers the visitors to The County Ground. The fixture has been designated a Help for Heroes day with plenty of entertainment planned, including a forty-piece band. A win over Trollope's men would certainly round the season off in style.

Matchday Prices: See left.





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Simon Cox...

March has been a fantastic month for the Swindon number thirty one. The former Reading striker has fashioned eight goals in as many games to help The Robins climb away from the League One danger zone. Two goals in each of the last two home games have been a big boost to the cause. Town supporters will be hoping for another strike or two this afternoon to help towards a win over Crewe Alexandra!



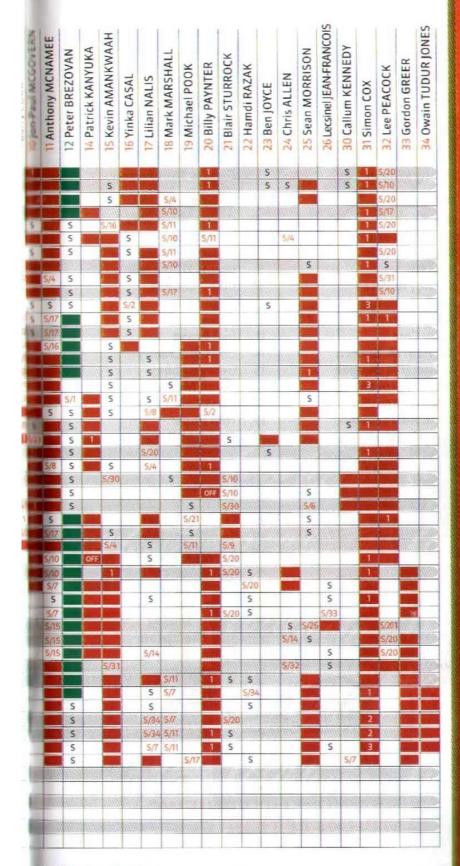
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Rickie Lambert...

After going into the month of March ahead of Simon Cox, the Bristol Rovers striker has had a quiet month in front of the sticks. Lambert, who was linked with a January move away from The Memorial Stadium, will visit Wiltshire for Town's final home game of the season on Saturday 25th April. Rovers are in League One action against Tranmere Rovers on Sunday afternoon at Prenton Park.



League One Table 01.04.09

Club	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	GD
Leicester	40	23	13	4	71	34	82	+37
Peterborough	40	23	9	8	71	48	78	+23
Millwall	40	22	7	11	54	43	73	+11
MK Dons	39	20	9	10	74	45	69	+29
Leeds	39	21	5	13	66	45	68	+21
Scunthorpe	39	20	7	12	69	52	67	+17
Tranmere	40	18	9	13	54	43	63	+11
Southend	40	18	7	15	51	54	61	-3
Oldham	40	15	14	11	59	56	59	+3
Colchester	40	16	9	15	53	53	57	0
Huddersfield	40	15	12	13	53	58	57	-5
Stockport	40	15	11	14	54	49	56	+5
Walsall	40	15	10	15	54	56	55	-2
Bristol R	39	14	12	13	67	50	54	+17
Leyton Orient	39	12	9	18	36	48	45	-12
Yeovil	39	11	12	16	34	57	45	-23
Swindon	40	10	14	16	50	64	44	4
Hartlepool	40	11	10	19	56	67	43	-11
Carlisle	40	11	10	19	49	63	43	-14
Crewe	40	12	7	21	54	72	43	-18
Northampton	39	10	12	17	51	52	42	-1
Brighton	38	8	12	18	42	60	36	-18
Hereford	38	9	6	23	34	61	33	-27
Cheltenham	39	7	10	22	46	82	31	-36

STFC Player Appearances 2008/2009

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	GLS	Y/R	APS	GLS	Y/R	APS	GLS	Y/R	APS
1 Phil Smith		10	19			3	100	1/0	22
2 Jack Smith	4	5/0	33(2)	-	-	5	4	5/0	38(2)
3 Jamie Vincent	ELL H	100	13	NE STATE	100	34	1	1/0	13
4 Micheal Timlin	2	7/0	34(3)	-	1/0	5	2	8/0	39(3)
Sterel titil	E NO	3,0	22(2)	1		2	2	3,0	24(2)
6 Hasney Aljofree (c)	-	4/0	17(1)	-		2	-	4/0	19(1)
7 Hal Robson-Kanu	1	THE S	75	DISER SHEET	110	7	A	1	15
8 Craig Easton	2	2/0	12(7)		7.0	3(1)	2	2/0	15(8)
9 Barry Corr	NEW N	1/0	2(9)		Years	1(2)	1	1/0	3(11)
10 Jon-Paul McGovern	2	1/0	21(1)		-	4	2	1/0	25(1)
Il Anthony McNamee			25/12	500		3(1)	7	180	28(13)
12 Peter Brezovan	-		21	-		2(1)			23(1)
13 Mark Scott	EURS.	HILL	TEMP		1140		14	100	1
14 Patrick Kanyuka	1	3,7	15	-	-	3	1	3/1	18
15 Kevin Amankwaah	2	2/0	21(4)		1	2	2	2/0	23(4)
16 Yinka Casal		1/0	4(1)	- 50		1	-	1/0	5(1)
17 Lilian Nalis	Nee	3/0	17(6)		1	2(1)		3/0	19(7)
18 Mark Marshall		1/0	0(11)	-		1(2)	-	1/0	1(13)
19 Michael Pook	ATTACK!	2,0	11(3)	ME.	1/0	2	4	3,0	19(3)
20 Billy Paynter	11	2/1	36	1		3(2)	12	2/1	39(2)
21 Blair Sturrock	1000		2(8)	196	1130		1	1	2(8)
22 Hamdi Razak		1/0	(2)	-			1	1/0	(2)
23 Ben Joyce	No.	W.	1	100	1	1	14	-	1
24 Chris Allen	-	-	2(2)		4	(1)		51	2(3)
25 Sean Morrison	100	2/0	18(2)			3	1	2,0	21(2)
26 Lessinel Jean Francois	1		NO.				15		N/B
30 Callium Kennedy			3(1)		1	1 9	de Ser	1 50	Mb
31 Simon Cox	24	6,40	39	3	2/0	5	27	8/0	44
32 Lee Peacock	2	3/0	18(9)			2(2)	3	3,40	20(10
33 Gordon Greer	1	2/0	14	16	-			2,60	14
34 Owain Tudur Jones	SIPE I	1/0	5	Da.	- 10			1/0	18

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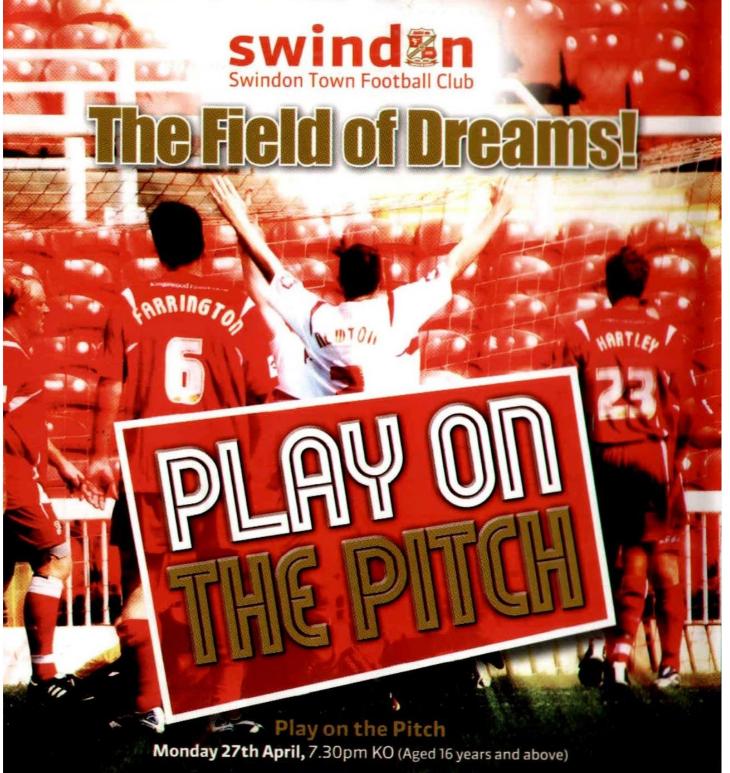


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