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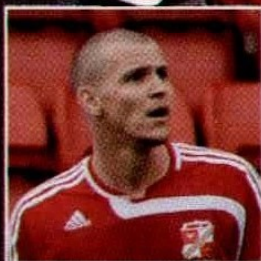
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Good afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground for this League One fixture. Today I would like to welcome **Steve Tilson**, his staff, players and directors and supporters along for the game.

I think the lads have recovered remarkably well from Tuesday night after 120 minutes of football.

On Thursday morning the lads came in looking bright and I am sure they are looking forward to the game today. Games are what players want; they would prefer to have the games coming thick and fast rather than training. Everybody who was involved the other night did a lot of high tempo work and it was fantastic to see. The challenge is to replicate that again now. The cup distractions are out of the way for a few weeks and we can get our teeth into the League One games.

Southend over the last few seasons have done well under Steve Tilson. We won't take anything for granted that's for sure. The last few league games have seen us put in good performances against Southend and Oldham and we did well at Wolves on Tuesday night. We feel like we are getting into some rhythm, especially defensively where the lads were excellent. As a team we defended

really well and looked strong. We have to keep building on that.

We have managed to add to the squad and the boys we have brought in should give us some more offensive options. Ben Hutchinson was a young lad at Middlesbrough when I first came across him many moons ago. He went onto Celtic when they paid a few quid for him but like anybody at these big clubs, he probably hasn't had too many first team opportunities. It can be a frustrating for younger players so they need to come out on loan and get games under their belt. We have been trying to get Ben for quite a while now and I am delighted to have got him here because there have been lots of clubs trying to get him. I am delighted that Celtic have shown their trust in us to allow him to come here. Simon Ferry is a very highly-rated individual and has found it difficult to get game time up there and he can score goals, create and will keep the game going. He is full of energy and should be a great addition to the dressing room too.

The support you gave the team on Tuesday night was fantastic and on behalf of the coaching staff and players I would like to thank you for that. The noise levels were absolutely outstanding on Tuesday and that goes for the home game with Southampton. It's great to hear that level of support but the players now have to step up again and put in another performance today. We have to do exactly the same things that we have done in recent games. Last season we had a very good result against Southend here and possibly that's still ringing in their ears, but that's history. Today is another day and our energy levels must be right up there to get the required result.

Enjoy the game.



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Kevin said: "It was a big relief to get it back and it would have made the penalty disappointment even worse to have lost my wallet as well! May I say a big thank you to the kind person who handed it in. God bless you!"



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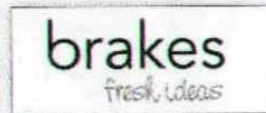
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Nick Watkins: From the Boardroom

Buonasera! Thanks to modern communication technology I am crafting these Boardroom notes for today's fixture, from Tuscany, where I am snatching a one-week family holiday.

These before my three sons either embark upon a university education or return to school. GCSE results are due this week so we are all imagining the best.

On the subject of study, I was studying the local wine offerings last Saturday afternoon when true to his word, Danny Wilson called me to advise me of the Oldham result. A great effort, a two-all draw, so the quality of the wine purchase stepped up a couple of Euros, in celebration.

Easy Jet permitting I hope to be back at The County Ground in time for this afternoon's visit by Southend United. Regardless, allow me on behalf of Swindon Town, to extend to their Directors, guests, team and fans, a very sincere welcome.

You may recall those cold, snow-filled days of last February, when the Blues were due to visit and yet the pitch was under 7 inches of snow. The desire to have a home fixture saw the most incredible effort by an army of fantastic fans and staff as we tried to clear the pitch. The memory will live with me forever, as every wheelbarrow and available shovel in Swindon was mobilised. How we ever imagined we could achieve the inevitable is beyond me now, but imagine we did.

Last Tuesday evening, we did not just imagine but we genuinely believed that we could go to Molineux and win our second round Carling Cup tie against Premier League opposition. The dream was so very nearly realised with Wolves



"The man who has no imagination has no wings."

finally winning on penalties, but only just. A fabulous effort, not just by Danny Wilson and his magnificent men, but by all of the travelling fans who supported the team. You really are the "twelfth man". Thank you.

On the subject of the twelfth man, I have not had the pleasure to witness what The County Ground has been like when The Saints came visiting previously but on Tuesday night I witnessed such a vibrant atmosphere and what an evening! It was an evening where entertainment was the real victor; and I sincerely trust that all those in attendance enjoyed the event as much as I did. Not only was the game entertaining, and the Robins won but the whole atmosphere was vibrant, made by the good-natured cheering and the chanting of the 11,600 supporters. Nearly 5,000 Swindon Town fans walked up and bought a ticket that evening, to add to the 4,300 season ticket holders and the 3,000 Saints fans. Just imagine what The County Ground could be like if it was like that for

every home game? Thank you for coming on that occasion and do please come back again and again.

Moving on with the deftness of a midfield kick, the Swindon Town Company Limited EGM and AGM will be held at the County Ground, Legends' Lounge at 1030hrs on Saturday September 26th. Agendas and details of proposed resolutions will be mailed to shareholders in the ensuing days.

Have an enjoyable afternoon as we say farewell to August. Where has the summer gone? I think caught a glimpse of it in Tuscany.

Keep on imagining, and all our dreams will take flight.

Best wishes,
Nick Watkins

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Gordon Greer: Captain's notes

Welcome back to The County Ground for this afternoon's home clash with Southend United. After a busy last week it's back to basics today with three League One points the target.

Last weekend we took a point from the away trip to Oldham Athletic, and it was so nearly a victory. J-P scored another good goal, to add to his strike at MK Dons but unfortunately after Billy gave us the lead we couldn't hang onto the victory.

Training on Thursday morning was nice and lively following Tuesday night's cup game at Wolves. The game turned out to be a little longer than we anticipated and a lot of the lads ended up playing 120 minutes of football. It was a solid performance but we were really disappointed not to

Southend will present a different type of test. It's up to us to go out and do the things that we know we can do. If we put on a good performance then we will have a decent chance of getting the three points we are after.

The Gaffer has added a couple of fresh faces to the squad this week and I would like to welcome Simon and Ben to the club. I am sure they will enjoy their time here at Swindon and that our supporters will make them feel at home.

Today is the final home game of the month and it has been a busy start to the

"If we put on a good performance then we will have a decent chance of getting the three points we are after."

have gone through. I was personally disappointed having missed the penalty but the boys can take a lot of heart from the way we performed. We showed that we are good team when we apply ourselves in the right way.

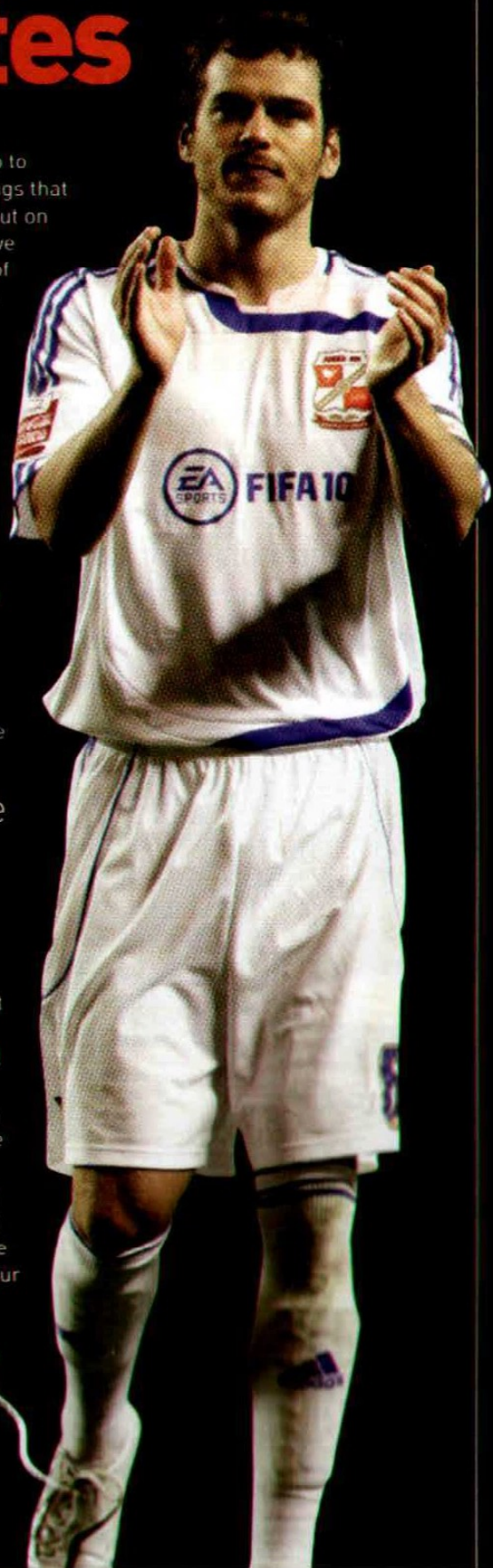
Defensively things have been going quite well and it was great to keep a clean sheet against Wolves on Tuesday night. They were a tough side to face and although they named a changed eleven for the game, they had quality players throughout their side.

Our focus now must be on Southend because the League Cup is over and done with.

Every game is different and

season. The opening day defeat at Gillingham wasn't the start we wanted but the lads bounced back well and although there have been some ups and downs, we are starting to get some consistency into our game. We have remained positive and the aim now is to draw August to a close with three points at home in front of our own fans.

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Sean Morrison's first half header ensured fans went away from the last home game with Southampton happy, but the game was also a success off the pitch.

There were plenty of points of interest for supporters to enjoy, with main sponsors EA Sports bringing along the EA Hub. Town fans were joined by striker Lee Peacock who took to the controls to take on supporters at FIFA09. Complimentary copies of FourFourTwo magazine were also handed out on the night, with the stocks run dry due to the high demand!

Swindon fans will have also noticed the impressive new team coach, which has now been fully branded to ensure the Town players travel to away games in style. Fans were also able to enjoy a tour of the coach, provided by team coach driver Peter Kordula. Matchday programmes also proved popular with just over 2,000 copies sold on the night. This season there are new programme purchasing points, which are designed to ensure the customer experience is improved.

At half-time the STFC Football in the Community Trust received a cheque for £60,000 for the Every Player Counts project, a Football League project which has been funded by the new Football Pools to assist disabled footballers. Town are one of thirty clubs to successfully receive the funding.

Town's new 2009/10 away shirt also went on general sale for the visit of Southampton and proved an instant hit. Jonathan Douglas was named Man of the Match and received his award after the game from Jeff Roberts of Roberts & Sons, joint Match Sponsors.

Town fans were able to enjoy the EA Sports Hub, taking on Lee Peacock at FIFA09 on the night!



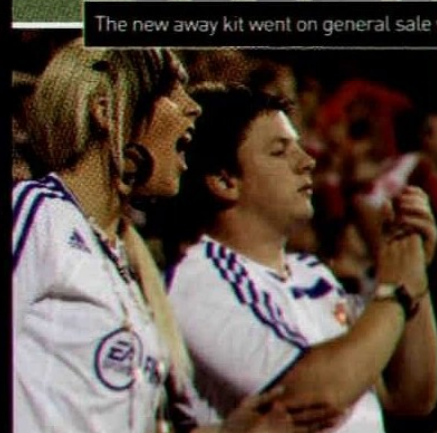
Supporters enjoy a tour of the newly-branded team bus



Adam Greaney accepts a cheque from the Football Pools



The new away kit went on general sale whilst matchday programmes sold out!



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Good afternoon and a warm Caribbean welcome to you all, I would also like to extend the Caribbean welcome to the Shrimpers who have made the journey here to The County Ground today!

For those of you that travelled to Molineux in the week, thank you once again for your support. It was a fantastic game and the team showed a great attitude and were very unlucky not to progress.

The boys have really performed on the back of an electric atmosphere here against The Saints and Wolves on Tuesday night! With this in mind for today's entertainment and as part of our continued efforts to

improve the 'Family Experience' on a matchday, the game has been billed the Beach Party at STFC. This was launched in the week through local media and via a club e-mail. Hopefully, the message got through as it will be great to see groups of fans around the ground in Bermuda shorts today! Prizes are on offer for the 'Best Dressed'.

Can I add, with or without your Hawaiian shirt on today, please help play your part by creating a carnival atmosphere and cheer on the team. We have even brought in an African percussion band to drum up support!

Enjoy the game!
Adam Wainwright



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Q What have you made of the season so far?

MARTIN: First impressions are good. Obviously we're missing a striker, but the team appears to be gelling well and passing the ball.

DAN: I agree. We've been playing

really well. Some teams haven't been able to cope with our wingers and it's been really encouraging. The horror show at Gillingham seems to have been forgotten.

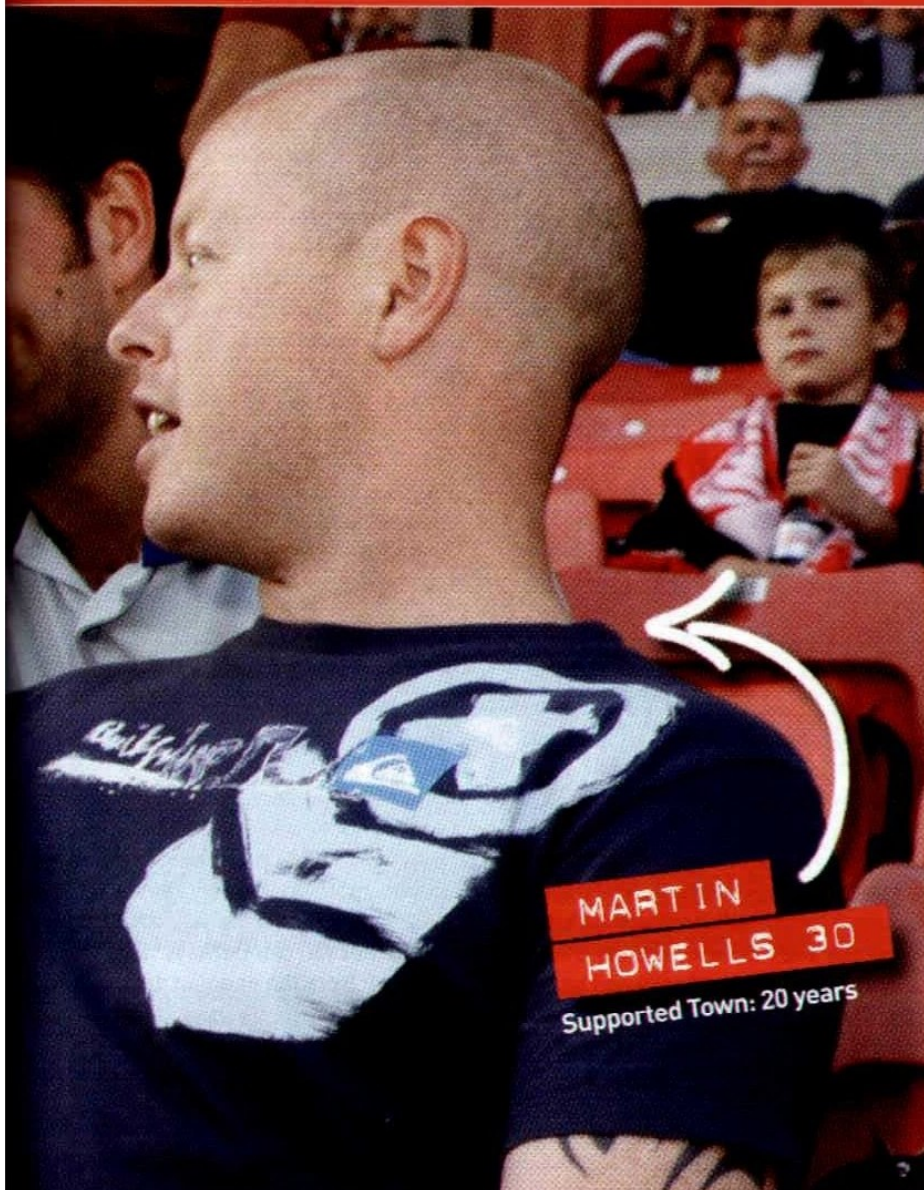
SIMON: I didn't think the 4-5-1 formation would work at home, but

it looks like it could be more solid if the correct personnel are used. It'll certainly work if we are able to exploit the other team's weaknesses, but it's not going to get us loads of goals against teams with a similarly solid setup. As a whole, I think the team



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ethic is something Wilson has tried to work on and I hope it can pay dividends as it did against Southampton. It won the backing of every fan, and the atmosphere was fantastic.

MARTIN: I'm hoping it's going to be a case of roles reversed this year. Last season we beat Tranmere 3-1 at home and we were expecting big things. Yet we ended up getting involved in a relegation battle. This year, we get beat 5-0 on day one, but we've looked good since. If we continue

to boss games like we did against Southampton, then there's no reason why we can't compete. First, we must find some consistency; otherwise it'll be a mid-table finish at best.

Q What do you think of the current shape and formation of the team?

MARTIN: At the moment, it's a case of working with what we've got. I think if we had more strikers we wouldn't be using this formation.



"Lloyd Macklin played well in pre-season, but has looked a bit nervous in subsequent games."



"JPM has improved 10-fold. He has really found his feet so far this season."

DAN: I think 4-5-1 only works if you have the wingers for it. Lloyd Macklin played well in pre-season, but has looked a bit nervous in subsequent games. The penalty on Tuesday will have done him some good. Anthony McNamee was superb against Southampton, but can be quiet in other games, so it's not always going to work.

SIMON: McNamee has a tendency to be a bit quieter in away games, so it could be that the formation does work at home, but not away.

MARTIN: The problem is, we're in League One, and our players won't be at the top of their game every week. Otherwise they wouldn't be playing in this division!

Q What about Alan O'Brien?
SIMON: He's ridiculously quick!

DAN: Against West Brom he proved he has the ability to knock it past people and run, which is something McNamee could do more of. However, it could be that he's too quick; there have been times when he's got to the by-line and cut back. Whether that's because he thinks there won't be anyone in the box, or because he's too quick and players can't keep up with him to support, I don't know.

MARTIN: That might improve as the season goes on, because playing with this formation it's all about keeping possession, and the players will get used to that.

SIMON: I hope that with a second striker, we might see him hit the by-line more and whip crosses in, because that's what he does best.

Q McGovern's form has been one of the highlights of the season so far, hasn't it?

SIMON: I have no idea how he's turned his form around, but I like it. Whatever it is, he needs to keep doing it. He's starting to win me over, so well done.

MARTIN: JPM has improved 10-fold. He has really found his feet so far this season. He could prove a valuable player as games go on.

Q What about the new boys? Have you been impressed?
SIMON: I think they've done

very well. Against Southampton, Douglas showed exactly why he is held in high regard and I was impressed with his ability to win the ball and take it forward. Lucas just oozes confidence as a keeper and I think that's important for the defensive unit, and the fans' nerves. With a more erratic keeper I think I may have developed a dodgy ticker during the Saints game!

MARTIN: Douglas and Timlin work exceptionally well together.

DAN: So far so good. The likes of Greer we already know about, but Douglas and Lucas have won me over very quickly. Both look like quality additions to the team.

Q What were your expectations for this season, and have they changed at all?

MARTIN: I think mid-table is realistic...

SIMON: ...with play-offs a possibility if we strengthen the squad.

MARTIN: The thing is, people were reading a lot into the Gillingham game, but their form since has proved that you can't always take too much from the opening day. Gillingham are newly promoted and were more up for it on the day than we were. The thing is, if we are to mount a challenge, we need to beat teams like them.

DAN: We've improved since reverting to using the same team and formation as pre-season. And I bet you if we played Gillingham again tomorrow, we wouldn't lose 5-0.

Q Were you surprised by Jerel's departure to Aberdeen?

SIMON: I must admit that I wasn't. He did a solid job for us; it just went a bit stale for him here. It was hinted earlier in the summer that some players would have to go to free up wages.

MARTIN: I think in Jerel's case, what ever he did this season, it would have been too little, too late. Even if he'd picked up his form, he has been inconsistent and Wilson is looking for more than that. His passing had improved, though. His distribution was looking a lot better, but when you've got a player like Morrison coming through...

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DAN: I think it speaks volumes that Jerel was under contract and let go on a free. He obviously didn't figure in Wilson's plans. I liked him. When he was good he was very good, but I think our current backline is solid.

Morrison and Greer look great in the middle, with Jean-Francois on one side, Amankwaah the other. I'm just surprised we let a player go who provides good cover. We have a good squad, but one without depth in certain positions

Q What's your take on the striker situation?

DAN: I'm a bit disappointed. I think we all knew from January onwards that Simon Cox was going to be leaving in the summer. The fact that he went came as no surprise to anyone, so to still be without a replacement isn't ideal.

MARTIN: Tope looked pretty lively in his first game, but then he didn't get a great deal of service. I've not really seen enough of him to know how good he is, although against Southampton he seemed to be trying too hard to impress.

SIMON: He's definitely the right kind of player to be coming in on loan. I'm not sure a month is going to be enough for him to fit in, because he has a few things to learn, but I think could be very good for us. I'm just not sure whether he can do it in time, or whether playing on the wing is really the best place for him.

SIMON: It's putting more pressure on Paynter. He did a fantastic job against Southampton and he's continuing to shine. He could have had a hat-trick were it not for some good goalkeeping by the opposing keeper. He still looked a tad isolated on his own, though.

MARTIN: Paynter's work rate is second to none. He has come on leaps and bounds for us and is proving his real worth.

DAN: He holds the ball up well and he's working really hard, but in some ways, if he's going to play this lone role, then you want him to be a bit more selfish and conserve his energy and stay up the pitch on the last man, so he can be in the penalty area when the crosses come in.

MARTIN: We desperately need someone to take some of the pressure off him, but then again, the way JPM, Douglas and Timlin bossed the

midfield against Southampton and helped out up front, we looked very comfortable against a good side.

Q So where do we need to strengthen?

MARTIN: The striker situation definitely needs resolving, but I'm not saying anything we don't already know. Like Dan, I think the first-team is stronger, we just need more depth.

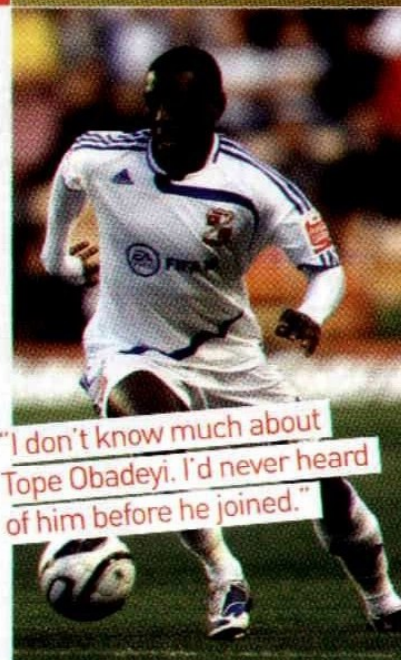
SIMON: I think we need to sign some solid players. I mean look at how Paynter has come on since he's been here, maybe we can take a longer view and bring in solid players we can improve, or at least in the meantime until we sign the elusive players we seem to be after from higher divisions.

DAN: We need to create competition for places. Last season we may not have had the best strength in depth upfront, but we had Simon Cox, Paynter, Lee Peacock and Barry Corr. I think players play better when they know there are others who could come in and take their position. Let's face it, Paynter's playing well, but if he ends up heavily fatigued, or falls out of form, he's guaranteed to start the next match. We need at least one other striker. And perhaps defensive cover, too... people have suggested Scott Cuthbert can play in the middle as well - like he did against Wolves on Tuesday night - as well as on the left and right, but I haven't seen enough of him to agree or disagree. Ideally we want two players per position.

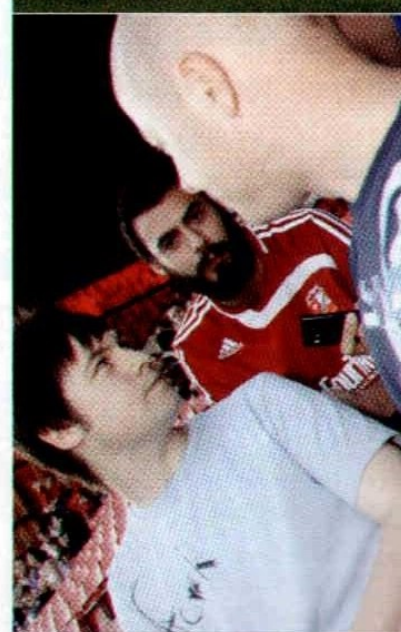
SIMON: I don't think we can afford any more players in midfield, but if McGovern continues to play like he has, then we have enough options in there. And we definitely have enough goalkeepers!

MARTIN: We do, but I think we saw an opportunity in the Polish lad. He's one for the future and that's what we're trying to build. I've said a few times that I would much rather we build slowly than buy players to keep fans happy now. We didn't sign Cox until the last day of the transfer window last season, and there's still time left. I think Wilson knows what he's doing. He's working hard to improve the squad and I think he will do that.

DAN: I accept we're building for the future to some extent, but I'd also like to see us perform well now, too!



"I don't know much about Tope Obadeyi. I'd never heard of him before he joined."



"Paynter's work rate is second to none. He has come on leaps and bounds for us and is proving his real worth."



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SOUTHEND UNITED

Draw specialists Southend United arrive at The County Ground looking to almost double their points total for the campaign by returning to Roots Hall with a first League One victory of the campaign.

The Shrimpers have started the season with four consecutive draws which have been punctuated by Carling Cup fixtures against Cheltenham Town and Hull City. A 2-1 first round win at Whaddon Road ensured The Tigers an away tie at The KC Stadium, although the home side proved too strong with Southend defeated 3-1 on Tuesday night.

Former Southend front man Billy Paynter has endured a busy start to the season and will hope the weight

on his shoulders is eased by the arrival of a new striker before this afternoon's game gets underway. Paynter scored twice in the Carling Cup first round clash with MK Dons at stadiumMK and the front man came close to scoring a treble against Paul Ince's men. The 25-year old seems to be a fan of the competition, having scored his only goal in Southend United in the League Cup against Brighton & Hove Albion in 2006. Now a favourite here at Swindon, Paynter added to his tally with a well-taken strike in injury-time at Oldham Athletic last weekend and has three goals in six games so far this term.

The majority of Southend's goals this term have come from former Swindon target Lee Barnard. The striker, who joined The Blues in a

permanent switch from Spurs in January 2008, hit four goals in his first three games of the new campaign. With 22 goals in just 39 starts for Southend, Barnard could well prove a stern test for the Town defence this afternoon.

Hal Robson-Kanu clocked up a total of 34 League One appearances last term in Southend and Swindon colours. The winger returned to The Madejski Stadium at the end of last season and has featured in three of Reading's Coca-Cola Championship matches so far this term. Danny Wilson will hope his two loan additions - Simon Ferry and Ben Hutchinson - can make a similar impact to that of Robson-Kanu after joining the ranks on a long-term loan until January.

our opponents:



FACT FILE:



NICKNAME: The Shrimpers

EST: 1906

GROUND: Roots Hall

CAPACITY: 12,392

RECORD VICTORY:

9-2: vs Newport County

05.09.1936 Division 3S

RECORD LOSS:

1-9: vs Brighton & Hove Albion

27.11.1965 Division 3

RECORD FEE RECEIVED:

£3,570,000: Stan Collymore

Nottingham Forest June 1993

RECORD FEE PAID:

£750,000: Stan Collymore

Crystal Palace November 1992

RECORD GOAL SCORER:

Roy Hollis: 122 1953/60

THE SQUAD:

- 1 Steve Mildenhall
- 2 Simon Francis
- 3 John White
- 4 Jean Francois-Christophe
- 5 Matt Heath
- 6 Adam Barrett
- 7 Anthony Grant
- 8 Alan McCormack
- 9 Lee Barnard
- 10 James Walker
- 11 Alex Revell
- 12 Damian Scannell
- 14 Franck Moussa
- 15 Osei Sankofa
- 16 Dougie Freedman
- 18 Johnny Herd
- 20 Jean-Yves M'Voto
- 21 Kevin Betsy
- 22 Stuart O'Keefe
- 24 Ian Joyce
- 26 Francis Laurent
- 28 Lee Sawyer
- 35 Adam Drew

SOUTHEND

MILDENHALL

Goalkeeper Steve Mildenhall joined Southend in June 2008 and has since gone on to establish himself as the number one between the sticks.

Mildenhall arrived at Roots Hall from Yeovil Town on a free transfer having put pen-to-paper on a three-year contract. The keeper measures in well over six foot tall and made 85 appearances for the Glovers, including a League One play-off final defeat at Wembley in 2008.

Born in Swindon, he progressed through the youth ranks here at The County Ground before making his first team debut. He went onto make over 30 league appearances for The Robins. He also counts Notts County, Oldham, Grimsby and Yeovil among his former sides, where he has racked up over 270 appearances in total. He kept his first clean sheet of the campaign in Southend's last home game against Millwall.

BARRETT

A strong and commanding left-footed central defender, local boy and club captain Adam Barrett joined the Blues during the summer of 2004, after spending the previous two seasons with Bristol Rovers.

Barrett made his League debut for Plymouth in a 5-0 win over Scunthorpe in March 1999 after an early career that included a traineeship at Leyton Orient and a scholarship

in the United States. Barrett played over 50 games for the Pilgrims before moving to Mansfield for £10,000 in December 2000.

His importance to the Blues is shown by the fact he was a virtual ever present for Southend in League One and ended the 2005/06 campaign being named in the Team of the Season.

Barrett made his 300th career league appearance against Gillingham in September 2007 and last season, he showed his versatility with a regular run in the side at left-back. Barrett has now made over 240 appearances for Southend.

BARNARD

Southend United completed the signing of Lee Barnard in January 2008 for an undisclosed fee from Tottenham Hotspur.

The striker has certainly made impressive strides having scored nine goals for the club in the 2007/08 season and carried this form over last season by scoring 11 goals.

Barnard, originally from Billericay, signed a two-and-a-half year deal at Roots Hall keeping him at the club until 2010. He had his first taste of League football during loan spells at Exeter City, Leyton Orient and Northampton Town and also had



a temporary stay at Blue Square Premier club Stevenage Borough.

Barnard went on to have two separate loan spells at Crewe before going on to join the Blues, with over 50 appearances and 20 goals now under his belt for the club.

MCCORMACK

When Alan McCormack requested a move away from Preston two years ago, there was only one team on his mind to join. Having previously played for Southend for two months in 2005, the Irishman had no hesitancy in making the move south again.

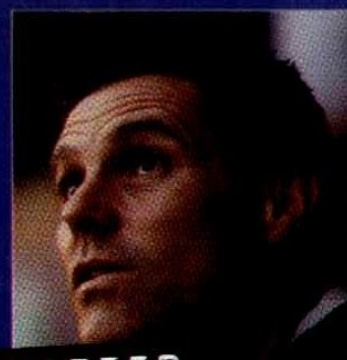
In the 2006/07 season, McCormack became frustrated at a perceived lack of opportunities at Preston, which saw him restricted to only three appearances, and this increased his desire for pastures new.

He moved to Roots Hall - initially on loan in November 2006 - before making the move permanent at the turn of the year for an undisclosed figure, where he has since been an energetic influence for the team in the centre of the park.

BEST OF THE REST

Former Leicester City defender Matt Heath has made the right-back slot his own this term with Simon Francis and ex-Colchester man John White also featuring in the backline. Anthony Grant is fast closing in on 100 league appearances and has started the campaign well, whilst former Belgium midfielder Franck Moussa should also feature in the middle for The Blues. Ex-Portsmouth winger Jean-Francois Christophe opened his account for the campaign in the recent draw at Wycombe - his fifth league goal for Southend. Alex Revell and the experienced Dougie Freedman, with 162 league goals to his name, provide further striking option.

our opponents:



GAFFER STEVE TILSON

Having played for Southend United as a player, Steve Tilson rejoined The Blues as director of the club's up-and-coming youth academy; meanwhile his playing career continued to bloom, leading Canvey to FA Trophy victory at Villa Park against Forest Green Rovers in May 2001. His long overdue testimonial was granted in March 2003 with a match against an England XI.

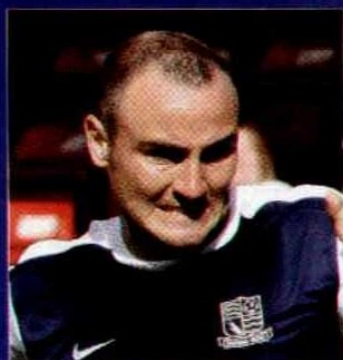
Eight months later he took over as Southend United manager from Steve Wignall and would make an even greater contribution to the club's history. In his first season, he guided the team to its first ever major final, although the LDV Trophy final was lost to Blackpool. The following season the side were again beaten finalists in the LDV Trophy to Wrexham, but returned to Cardiff for the play-off final against Lincoln City. This time the side triumphed and promotion to League One was achieved. Instead of settling for stability after seven years in the basement, Tilson's men stormed to the League One championship in a tremendous season.

This gave Tilson the unique achievement of consecutive promotions as a player and a manager with the same club. Although the first season back in the Championship ended in relegation, Tilson once again made history for the club by masterminding their greatest ever victory, against Manchester United in the Carling Cup.

our opponents:



FACT FILE:



NICKNAME: Alan McCormack
HEIGHT: 5.08
WEIGHT: 10.00
DATE OF BIRTH: 10.01.84
PLACE OF BIRTH: Dublin
POSITION: Midfielder
SIGNED ON FOR SOUTHEND UNITED: 01-01-2007, Free
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Motherwell, Leyton Orient & Preston North End

"I was getting ready to turn away to celebrate but it just went away from goal at the last minute."

DRAWING TO A CLOSE...

Midfielder Alan McCormack insists Southend United are not far short of turning their succession of draws into a welcome run of wins.

The Blues have started the League One season with four straight stalemates and were held to a 0-0 draw by Millwall at Roots Hall last Friday night.

But that does not concern McCormack who has been encouraged by the standard of his side's performances.

"It is a bit frustrating but there is no need to be too worried because we have been playing well," the Irishman said after the match.

"If we look at changing one or two things then we could end up losing so we just need to keep on doing what we are the moment.

"Millwall were in the top six last season and could well be there again this year but I felt we played them off the park for most of the match. We just couldn't get the

break we needed in front of goal."

McCormack came closest to breaking the deadlock for Southend with a low shot on the stroke of half-time which

brushed the outside of the right post. But the 25-year-old was fully expecting the ball to hit the back of the net.

"It was so close and I thought it was in when I hit it to be honest," said McCormack.

"I was getting ready to turn away to celebrate but it just went away from goal at the last minute and it was obviously disappointing to see it go wide."

McCormack would have been a worthy match winner too after producing a fine display in the centre of the park.

The energetic midfielder produced a number of crunching challenges in a fiery game and was pleased by his own display.

"I feel like I'm getting better with every game at the

moment," said McCormack.

"The team are doing well too. We want to end the run of draws we're on by winning and we're confident of doing that."

Town fans will hope a first three points of the season for Southend does not arrive at The County Ground this afternoon.



MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Danny Wilson

Played 29 Won 9 Drawn 11 Lost 9
For 39 Against 39
Av Pts/game 1.31
Biggest Win(s) Won 3-0 on 2 occasions
Biggest Loss(es) Gillingham 5 Swindon 0 (08/08/2009).

Steve Tilson

Played 260 Won 107 Drawn 68
Lost 85 For 350 Against 320
Av Pts/game 1.50
Biggest Win(s) Southend 5 QPR 0 (09/02/2007). Biggest Loss(es) Darlington 4 Southend 0 (02/10/2004).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..6 Danny Wilson4 Steve Tilson.....1
Draws ..1 Goals 12 Goals 7

Player with the most...

shots
Billy Paynter 7

shots on target
Billy Paynter 4

shots off target
Billy Paynter 3

assists
Jon-Paul McGovern 1

crosses
Jon-Paul McGovern 7

fouls
Gordon Greer 6

free-kicks-won
Billy Paynter 8



GAMES SINCE

0	a win	0
0	a home win	0
0	an away win	0
4	a defeat	2
3	a home defeat	0
2	an away defeat	0
0	a score draw	1
2	a no score draw	10
0	conceding a goal	1
0	scoring a goal	0
0	conceding > 1	2
0	scoring > 1	0
7	keeping a clean sheet	0
2	failing to score	0
32	back to back wins	16
18	back to back defeats	26
0	gaining a point	0
0	losing a point	0
0	win by > one	0
4	loss by > one	2

Player with the most...

shots
Franck Moussa 7

shots on target
Franck Moussa 5

shots off target
Alan McCormack 6

assists
Simon Francis 1

crosses
Simon Francis 8

fouls
Lee Barnard 8

free-kicks-won
Anthony Grant 15

SHARP SHOOTERS

Swindon	CCFL Cup	Tot	Southend	CCFL Cup	Tot
Billy Paynter	1	2	3	Lee Barnard	2
Jon-Paul McGovern	1	1	2	Dougie Freedman	1
Sean Morrison	1	0	1	Franck Moussa	1

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played40 Swindon wins17 Southend wins.....13
Draws10 Goals 58 (1.4 per game) Goals 45 (1.1 per game)
0-0's6 Times failed to score 12 Times failed to score 16

Biggest League win at Swindon for each team:

19/03/1966 Swindon 4-0 Southend
10/09/2005 Swindon 1-2 Southend



2009/10 LEAGUE STATS



18	Position	23
46	Played	46
12	Won	10
27	Drawn	18
17	Lost	20
88	Goals For	46
71	Goals Against	69
53	Points	48



Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
0	2	0	8	0	2	0	7

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
1	0	1	16	0	2	0	20

Record When Scoring First

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1	0	0	16	0	1	0	21

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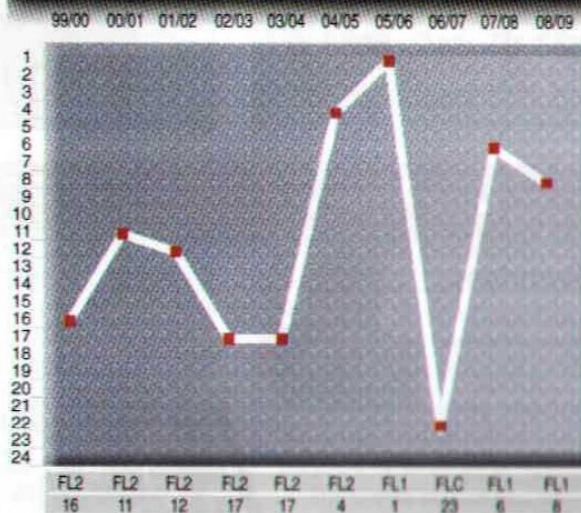
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0	1	1	10	0	2	0	6

Match Scores

Wins: 1-0[1], Losses: 0-5[1],
Draws: 0-0[1], 2-2[1]

Wins: None, Losses: None,
Draws: 0-0[1], 1-1[1], 2-2[2]

SOUTHEND - TEN SEASON RECORD



*up to and including 23/08/2009



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Swindon Town 1 Southampton 0



Team Line-Ups

Swindon:

1 David Lucas
15 Kevin Amankwaah
14 Sean Morrison
6 Gordon Greer
19 Lescinel Jean-Francois
7 Jon-Paul McGovern
4 Jonathan Douglas
10 Michael Timlin
11 Anthony McNamee '85
20 Billy Paynter
24 Temitope Obadeyi '90+1

Substitutes:

22 Lloyd Macklin '85
12 Phil Smith
2 Scott Cuthbert
8 Craig Easton
17 Callum Kennedy '90+1
18 Alan O'Brien
23 Nathan Thompson

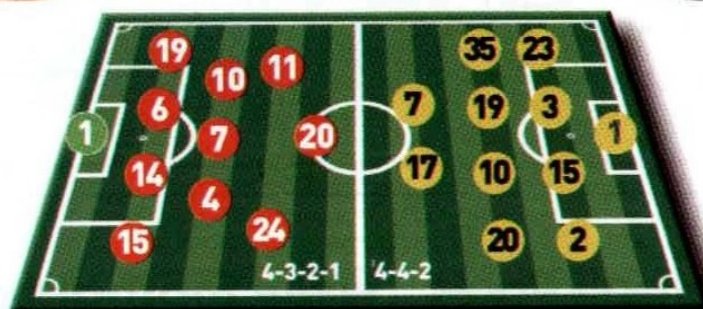


Date: 18/08/09

Venue: The County Ground

Attendance: 11,007

Referee: S D Cook



Swindon Town 1 (Morrison '9) Southampton 0

Southampton:

Kelvin Davis 1
Lloyd James 23
Wayne Thomas 3
'90+2 Oliver Lancaster 15
Dan Harding 2
Jacob Mellis 35
Morgan Schneiderlin 19
'81 Paul Wotton 10
Adam Lallana 20
Richard Lambert 7
'81 Matthew Paterson 17

Substitutes:

Jake Thomson 26
Bartosz Bialkowski 28
'81 Marek Saganowski 4
Chris Perry 5
'81 Oscar Gobern 29
'90+2 Grzegorz Rasiak 9
Simon Gillett 8



18.08.09

Coca-Cola LEAGUE 1



action replay:

Key Moments

- 9** Sean Morrison heads Swindon into the lead with a superb header following a right-hand corner from Jon-Paul McGovern.
- 21** Leccinel Jean-Francois almost doubles the Town advantage with a header which just falls side of Kelvin Davis' goal.
- 26** Rickie Lambert is handed an opportunity after a poor back-pass from Morrison, but the striker sees his lofted effort gathered by Lucas.
- 60** Town almost double the lead with Jonathan Douglas firing in a well-executed volley which is cleared off the line.
- 65** Paynter is denied again by Davis, who turned away a low header from the striker with another brilliant stop.
- 80** Rickie Lambert tries his luck with a 20-yard free-kick but the set-piece fails to trouble the Town goal and Swindon hold on for a superb victory.

Post-Match



"It was a terrific game and a terrific performance. We showed a lot more energy than

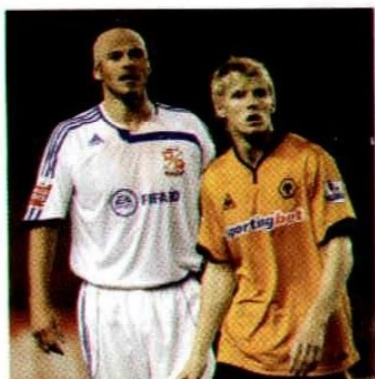
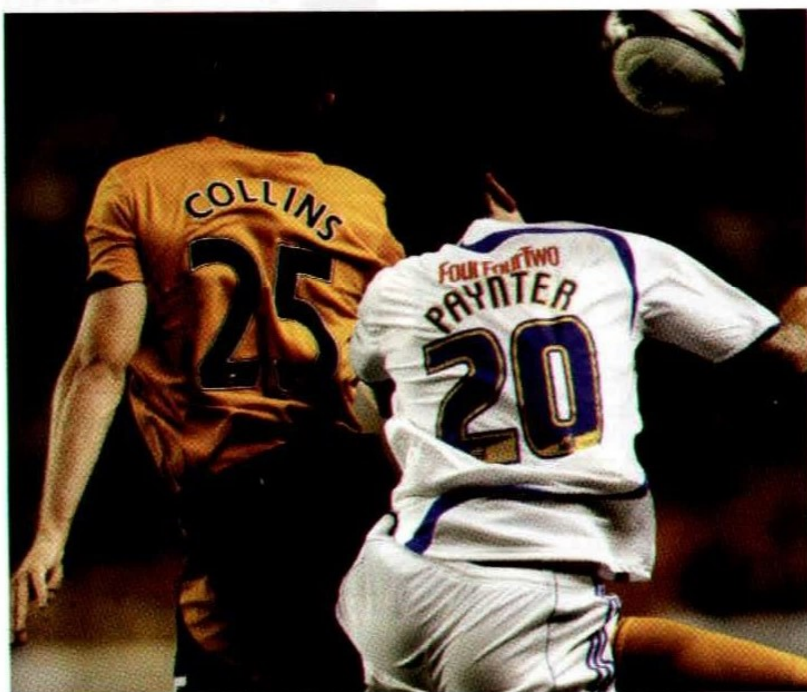
we did against MK Dons and played a lot of passing football.

"The crowd inspired us and the fans really got behind us. They were up for it - as were the players and that played a big part and I would like to thank them for their tremendous backing."

Danny Wilson

Wolves 0 Swindon Town 0

Wolves win 6-5 on penalties AET



Team Line-Ups

Wolves:

13 Marcus Hahnemann
23 Ronald Zubar
25 Neill Collins
16 Christophe Berra
3 George Elokobi '79
44 Nathaniel Mendez-Laing '62
14 David Jones
12 Andrew Surman
26 Matthew Hill
29 Kevin Doyle '62
18 Sam Vokes

Substitutes:

43 James Spray
30 Carl Ikeme
4 David Edwards '79
5 Richard Stearman
8 Karl Henry
10 Andrew Keogh '62
17 Matthew Jarvis '62



Date: 25/08/09

Venue: Molineux

Attendance: 11,416

Referee: Keith Hill

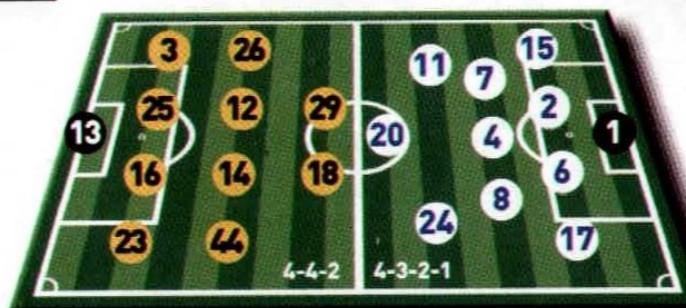


Swindon:

David Lucas 1
Kevin Amankwaah 15
Scott Cuthbert 2
Gordon Greer 6
Callum Kennedy 17
Jonathan Douglas 4
Jon-Paul McGovern 7
Craig Easton 10
'56 Anthony McNamee 11
'109 Billy Paynter 20
'68 Temitope Obadeyi 24

Substitutes:

Sean Morrison 14
Nathan Thompson 23
'56 Mark Marshall 25
Phil Smith 12
Michael Timlin 10
'109 Alan O'Brien 18
'68 Lloyd Macklin 22



Wolves 0 Swindon Town 0 (Wolves win 6-5 on penalties AET)

25.08.09

CARLING CUP



action replay:

Key Moments

4

Summer signing Kevin Doyle spins on the edge of the area but fires his shot narrowly wide of the Town goal.

16

Nathaniel Mendez-Laing, a 17-year old debutant, brought a fine fingertip save out of Dave Lucas after a promising run from the youngster.

36

Anthony McNamee almost broke the deadlock with a superb piece of individual skill, turning in from the left before unleashing a right-foot shot which struck the bar.

100

Town keeper Dave Lucas is tested again and produced decent saves to deny substitutes Andy Keogh and David Edwards.

120

The game goes to penalties with both sides unable to break the deadlock in normal time, with Town hitting the post twice and striking the bar.

PEN

Gordon Greer hits Town's sixth penalty against the post to hand Wolves a place in Saturday's Carling Cup third round draw.

Post-Match



"Wolves are a Premier League and are still on a high after promotion. It was a fantastic

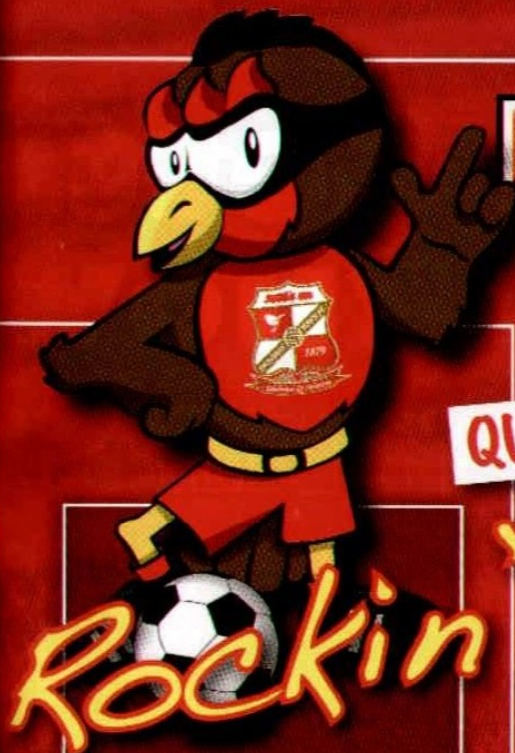
tie but we came here and gave ourselves a little confidence booster with the performance we put in. We were unlucky overall - we hit the woodwork on numerous occasions but we had to defend well too. What more can I say? It was a very good game as far as what we could get out of it."

Danny Wilson



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WITH THE Kidz

QUIZ FUN

Good afternoon County Ground! Hope your all keeping well, and as keen as mustard for this afternoon's game with the Shrimpers.

The last time I saw Sammy the Shrimp was at the annual mascot race, but our most memorable adventure was at the BBC television centre. We were appearing on an episode of Blue Peter along with some other furry friends, in aid of children in need.

While we were relaxing backstage, it came to our attention that in the dressing room next door, were the worlds famous Girls Aloud. With the help of Pudsey the bear, we knocked on the door and barged in to the girls dressing room and were met by a bewildered looking Mrs Cole and the rest of the girls with their curlers in! We all had photos and signed autographs for the group, before one of our mascot counterparts, with a very hard tail, knocked in to the table holding the refreshments. Pasta, tuna, salad, wine, it went everywhere!

I've tried, but can't quite find a moral to the story! Apart from, never take a mascot with a hard tail anywhere near breakables!

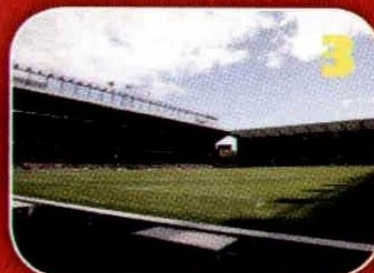
Singing Off!

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Which Clubs play their home matches at the following stadiums?

1. Victoria Park
2. Madejski Stadium
3. Goodison Park



ANSWERS: 1 Hartlepool United, 2 Reading, 3 Everton

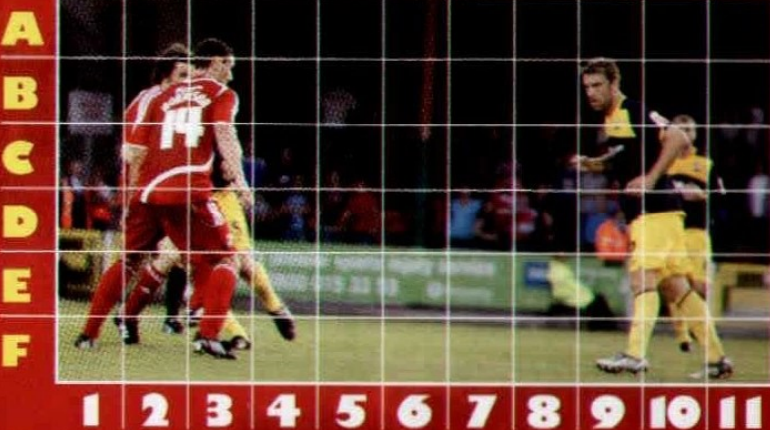


Name the team from the 1996/97 Season



Who is holding off Manchester City's Darius Vassell

Crazy Kits! Carlisle United Who am I? Scott Cuthbert



CAN YOU SPOT THE BALL? Just select your grid reference and email your answer to programme@swindontownfc.co.uk and you could **WIN** a fantastic prize! In the MK Dons Programme the ball location was B3.

who r ya!



Lecsinel Jean-Francois

Real name: Lecsinel Jean-Francois
Nickname: Lec
Position: Left-back or centre-back
Born: Cayenne, 02.10.86
Former clubs: Paris Saint Germain, Sedan, Falkirk, Guingamp



Boots:
 Nike



Top tip:
 Keep pursuing your dreams
Support: Real Madrid



Guess Who?

This former Carlisle United and current Town player has made 113 appearances for Swindon but who is he?



Answer: Lee Peacock

Related?



Callum Kenedy



Sid the Sloth



Premier News Bite

Michael Owen accepts that his scoring record will remain under intense scrutiny until the day he retires.

The 29-year-old striker got off the mark for Manchester United in the 5-0 victory against Wigan Athletic at the DW Stadium.

Owen stepped off the bench to get on the end of a good ball from Nani and the finish in the 85th minute was emphatic.

Owen said: "I've missed a couple since the season started and, as ever, everyone is quick to write you off. It was as if I hadn't scored for a couple of years," he told Premierleague.com

"That's something I've had to deal with for 10-odd years now and I don't think that will change until I hang up my boots."

Gettin know Phil Str

My School Days...

Being a sportsman I always enjoyed PE but aside from that I also took an interest in history. I didn't get along too well with maths though. I was quite quiet in class and wasn't too unruly!

My Food...

If I get the chance, outside of training schedules, I like to have a nice steak or a good curry. If I am tired then I'll get a good curry from the Bombay Lounge or I'll cook a steak at home.



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My Worst Purchase...

I bought a Jeep
last year and
that was a
complete
waste of time
to be
honest.

My Heroes...

I'll have to
go for Peter
Shilton or Nigel
Spink who were
both excellent
keepers. George
Wood would like
me to say him,
but I can't do that!



Worst Haircut...

Out of the current squad I'll
probably have to be up there
with the worst I'm afraid. Callum
Antell, the youth team goalkeeper,
has a pretty terrible barnet too.



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SAY WHAT?

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great benefits to becoming a
Junior Robin.

Away Trips

I am now taking bookings for the
away trips to Walsall 19th September
and Norwich City 24th October.

The Walsall trip will be just £12
for Junior Robins and £16 for
adults. This is the total price for
the coach journey and entry to the
game. This is a popular trip so
please book as soon as you can.
I do need payment at the time of
booking. We can take cash, cheque,
or card details. The Norwich
trip prices will follow soon in an
upcoming programme.

Meet The Players

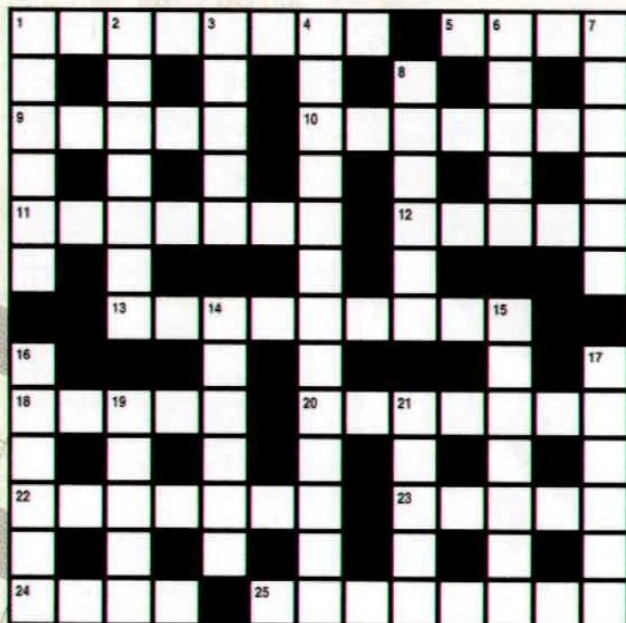
We will soon be holding a Meet
the Players evening. The details
of this will be coming up in the
next matchday programme.

Mascots

Also, if you are interested in the
fantastic opportunity of being a
matchday mascot for STFC at an
away game that you are travelling
to please let me know, as I can
book this in for you.

Sharon Franklin
Junior Robins Coordinator

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1 Watford's Road (8)
 5 Rugby Union club swamped by controversy in recent months (4)
 9 Keeper out of retirement with Pompey this season (5)
 10 Jim _____, Leics Aussie allrounder currently in contract row (7)
 11 Former Dundee Utd and Rangers full back who had 4 years at Everton from 1998 (7)
 12 Sacked by QPR to become Shearer's assistant (5)
 13 Golden oldie of Turnberry (3,6)
 18 Minehead trainer who has won Champion Hurdle and Queen Mother Champion Chase (5)
 20 Wolves and Scotland striker guilty of 'that' miss (7)
 22 Traditionally the first major handicap of the flat season (7)
 23 Number of times Man Utd have won Europe's major trophy (5)
 24 England full back who was most expensive player in British football when moving from Leicester to Derby in 1972 (4)
 25 Welsh club who beat Motherwell in Europa Cup first leg tie (8)

DOWN

- 1 City of sometime Serie A club Venezia (6)
 2 Over 300 appearances for WBA this century (7)
 3 Jose Manuel more commonly known as Pepe (5)
 4 The _____, jumps handicap run over 4m 4f (5,8)
 6 Steve _____, Blackburn's most expensive player when signed from Barnsley in 1991 (5)
 7 Aussie batting legend who fell out with Boycott on TMS (6)
 8 The _____ of Sheffield Utd (6)
 14 Dinamo team beaten by Celtic (6)
 15 Cup semi finals are often played on these grounds (7)
 16 Liverpool and Eire midfielder who had a spell as Southend boss (6)
 17 Swapped for Jan Kromkamp by Liverpool with Villareal (6)
 19 England's best ever goalkeeper? (5)
 21 _____ John, former Watford chairman (5)

THE KNOWLEDGE



QUESTION 1:

Which Republic of Ireland striker played against Swindon on Tuesday night?

Kevin Doyle,
I marked him!

Answer: Kevin Doyle



Kevin Doyle.



QUESTION 2:

Who is the only player to score in a Manchester, Merseyside and Glasgow derby?

Andrei Kanchelskis

Answer:
Andrei Kanchelskis



Was it Gary Stevens?



QUESTION 3:

Sol Campbell signed for Notts County this week, can you name three of his former clubs?

Arsenal, Spurs and
Portsmouth.

Answer: Portsmouth,
Arsenal and Tottenham



Portsmouth, Tottenham
and Arsenal.



QUESTION 4:

Which former Town player joined Motherwell earlier this week?

He has a funny name
doesn't he?

Answer:
Lukas Jutkiewicz



Is it Patrick Kanyuka?



QUESTION 5:

Out of the 92 teams, whose ground is at the highest altitude?

Carlisle?

Answer:
West Bromwich Albion



Newcastle United?



FINAL SCORE:

Scott takes it **THREE TWO!**

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Operation Matchday

In a series of new articles we will be taking a look behind the scenes here at **Swindon Town Football Club** and find out more about 'the office' and beyond.

Name: Mark Isaacs
Job Title: Stadium and Operations Manager
Year Joined: May, 2008

How and when did you join Swindon Town?

I joined the club in May 2008 after spending over 10 years working for the BMW Group as a Continuous Improvement Manager. Initially I spent three games at the end of the 2007/08 season looking at the matchday processes to see what improvements could be made. I was then asked if I would be interested in taking up a full-time position within the club which I accepted.

What does your role involve?

My role is to oversee all maintenance, security and operational activities on a day to day basis in and around the stadium. My main aim is to improve cost productivity and the general condition and appearance of the stadium.

Describe your average day?

No day is really the same in my role, but generally the day will include setting up the maintenance tasks

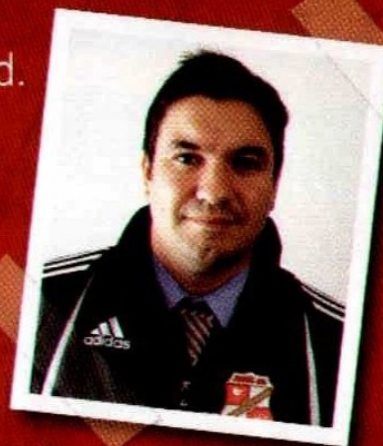
for the groundstaff team, liaising with suppliers and contractors and planning activities for stadium improvements. This varies leading up to a matchday as the planning starts four or five days before - which involves liaison with the Police, ensuring staff are communicated to and all the safety requirements to open the ground are in place.

How does your role change on a matchday?

On matchday my focus is primarily centred on health & safety and the housekeeping of the stadium. These two main points are critical to ensure that supporters have a safe enjoyable experience from the point they enter the stadium until they exit.

Tell us about your most memorable moment at Swindon?

I first attended a game at The County Ground in 1979 and have some great memories of some of the best periods in the football club's history. My most memorable moment on the pitch was in 1993 when after being 4-1 down to Birmingham City with 25 minutes to go, we went on to win 6-4. Since working here it



would have to the involvement I had in planning the 1969 weekend this year. Actually spending time with the team that weekend and making sure everything went to plan was very satisfying.

What has been your greatest achievement with STFC to date?

My greatest achievement to date would be the refurbishment of the hospitality suites. This was completed on time and within budget and it has been great hearing all the complimentary comments. This has created a great matchday experience for guests as well as a great venue for conferencing and events.





Words: Dave Wallis

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Roll Of Honour

Champions - Division One
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Leicester City

Champions - Division Three
Grimsby Town

Champions - Division Four
Huddersfield Town

FA Cup FINAL
West Ham United 1
Arsenal 0



League Cup FINAL
Wolverhampton Wanderers 1
Nottingham Forest 0



Match Background

By the time Town faced Southend in October, manager **Bob Smith** had led his side to an encouraging start to the Division Three season. The goalscoring combination of **Andy Rowland** and **Alan Mayes** was helping secure important wins, and Town went into to their 13th game of the season occupying 10th in the table. A single strike by Mayes gave Town both points and lifted us to eighth.

In contrast the defeat dropped the Shrimpers, managed by **Dave Smith**, to 22nd and a worrying fight against relegation was under way in Essex.

By the time the two teams met again on 29th February, little had changed. This time it was Southend's turn to claim the points when Northern Ireland international striker

Derek Spence struck the winning goal of the match at Roots Hall, leaving both clubs in almost identical positions as those back in October.

Football Snippets



Football's transfer market continues to spiral with **Kevin Reeves**, **Steve Daley** and **Andy Gray** all switching clubs for fees in excess of £1m. England B midfielder

Daley moves to Manchester City from Wolves for almost £1.5m in April, but the new record figure is trumped almost immediately when Scottish international striker **Gray** moves to Molineux from Aston Villa.



Liverpool lead football's commercial development by becoming the first major British club to wear shirt advertising in July 1979. The new trend sees television companies refusing to broadcast matches.

IN THE PRESS

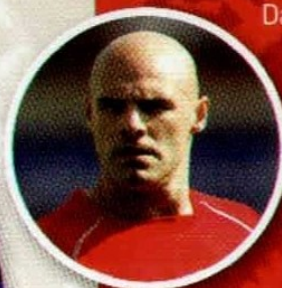


Unfortunately we all
have always had
strength and skill.
When we have
responsibility of us
And, if you
play, I don't think
it's a loss.

Late winner by Mayes
ends fans' suffering

They Served Us Both

David Cunningham
John Cornwell
Bart Griemink
Chris Guthrie
Derek Hall
Martin Ling
Steve Mildenhall
Tommy Mooney
Garry Nelson
Billy Paynter
Chris Ramsey
Paul Roberts
Hal Robson-Kanu
Norman Uprichard
Andy Ford
John Neal



The World That Season

In February 1980 **Southampton** manager **Lawrie McMenemy** shocks the football world of by announcing the signing of **Kevin Keegan**.

Trevor Brooking stoops to head an uncharacteristic goal to win the FA Cup for **West Ham United** against Arsenal.

On 1st March, former Everton forward and legend **Dixie Dean** dies at Goodison Park.

In April when a **Hereford United** defensive wall refuses to retreat 10 yards at free-kick while playing **Doncaster Rovers**, seven players are booked in one go.

West Germany triumph over Belgium by 2-1 in Rome to clinch the European Championship. England lose to Italy, beat Spain and draw with Belgium in their group matches, failing to make the semi-finals.



US space probe Voyager 2 reaches Jupiter in **July**.

British aeronautical designer Sir Barnes Wallis, inventor of the bouncing bomb, dies in **October**.

January sees the beginning of the steel workers' strike, which is to last until April.

In **March** the Alexander Keilland, an oil platform, anchored off the coast of Norway, is overturned in strong winds, tragically killing 100 men.

Hollywood's king of suspense, Alfred Hitchcock, dies in **April**.

In **May**, dramatic news coverage shows the Iranian embassy in London stormed by the SAS. Iranian Arabs had held 19 hostages for six days.

Season Outcome For Both Clubs

At the season's end, Town had allowed a huge number of games in hand to slip through their fingers in return for too few points. A 10th place finish was scant reward for a season that had promised so much. Things were worse in Essex though, where a 22nd place finish led Smith's team down into Division Four.

In between the two games, Town

had embarked on two momentous Cup runs. A charge to the FA Cup fourth round brought a 0-0 draw at home to Tottenham Hotspur, before a late flurry at White Hart Lane saw the home side clinch a 2-1 replay win.

Meanwhile in the League Cup, Town overcame another London side when a Billy Tucker header gave Town a 1-1 draw with Arsenal at Highbury

in the fifth round. A famous 4-3 win over the Gunners in the replay at The County Ground, led to a semi-final with Wolverhampton Wanderers. After a 2-1 victory in the first leg, Town capitulated 3-1 at Molineux, and failed to reach Wembley at the last hurdle.

In December, Town recorded their record League win in recent years with an 8-0 win over Bury.

classic moment:



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DAVE EVANS:

Colin Calderwood Classic Moment

"Colin Calderwood made a massive contribution during his time at Swindon and this photograph captures him celebrating with Martin Ling after scoring twice in the same game!" **Dave Evans**



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classic moment:



cent 92/93

Governing b

With a League One play-off winner's medal in the cabinet, **Jon-Paul McGovern** is hoping his experiences in the game can contribute to helping Town's youngsters make the step up to the professional ranks.

The 28-year old was a goalscorer in Sheffield Wednesday's 2005 final win over Hartlepool United and lists Scottish Premier League giants Celtic and Coca-Cola Championship side Sheffield United amongst his former clubs.

The midfielder turned in another solid performance on Tuesday night at Wolves, with a mix of youth and experience taking on the Premier League outfit. It is that blend which McGovern believes could play a part in helping Town towards success this term.

"You only have to look to Tuesday night to see the development of the young lads we have here," said the Glasgow-born middleman. "The likes of Callum and Lloyd both took penalties on the night and performed well in the game, too. It's good that the young boys have that attitude and playing in front of such a crowd will benefit them.

"The older players in the squad can play their part. Personally I'd

like to think I'm quite good with the younger players, having a chat with them and helping them along. If I can see something that I think I can help them with then I will do that.

"I think there are a few things that you pick up on. As a young lad coming through you learn a lot; there is a real difference between playing youth football to suddenly lining up against players who have mortgages to pay. You have to be willing to go the extra yard and put the extra effort in. When you step up through the leagues the difference is really noticeable."

Town were presented the opportunity to test themselves against Premier League opposition earlier this week and The Robins put in a creditable display against Mick McCarthy's men. McGovern played the entire 120 minutes of the encounter, paying tribute to his side's defensive resilience.

"I think we were unlucky and there were a few good chances in the game. The boys were still in good

spirits after the game and Wolves had players out there with plenty of Premier League experience. It was a good performance from our point of view and we came close to going through to the next round.

He added: "The defensive side of our game has improved but that's down to the whole side. Billy has been working incredibly hard up front and we have been playing three in the middle, working to ensure there's not so much strain on the backline. Everyone is playing their part."

McGovern has already notched two goals in five games this term although is hoping for a home three points, rather than personal success, this afternoon against Southend United.

"To be honest with you I would have swapped my goal at Oldham for a win last weekend. The goal was nice but I am happy to be playing in the team and relishing life in that midfield. I have really enjoyed it and hopefully we can get the ball down again and put in a performance against Southend."

FACTFILE:

Name: Jon Paul-McGovern
Position: Midfielder
DOB: 03.10.1980
Birthplace: Glasgow
Previous clubs: Celtic, Sheff Utd, Livingston,

Sheff Wed, MK Dons
Career appearances: 204(46)
Town appearances: 70(12)
Favourite Player: David Lucas, my hero.
Favourite Club: Celtic



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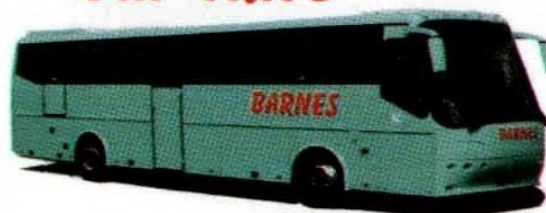


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LEE PEACOCK:



When did you last move and why?

I moved to Priory Vale about a year ago. I had tried to commute from Portsmouth and used to pick Lukas Jutkiewicz up along the way, but the travelling got too much. I then moved to Tetbury in Gloucestershire, which was a great place, but a bit too quiet. Priory Vale is great for everything really and it's close to a really good school for my daughter, Skye.

What's the longest move you have made in terms of distance?

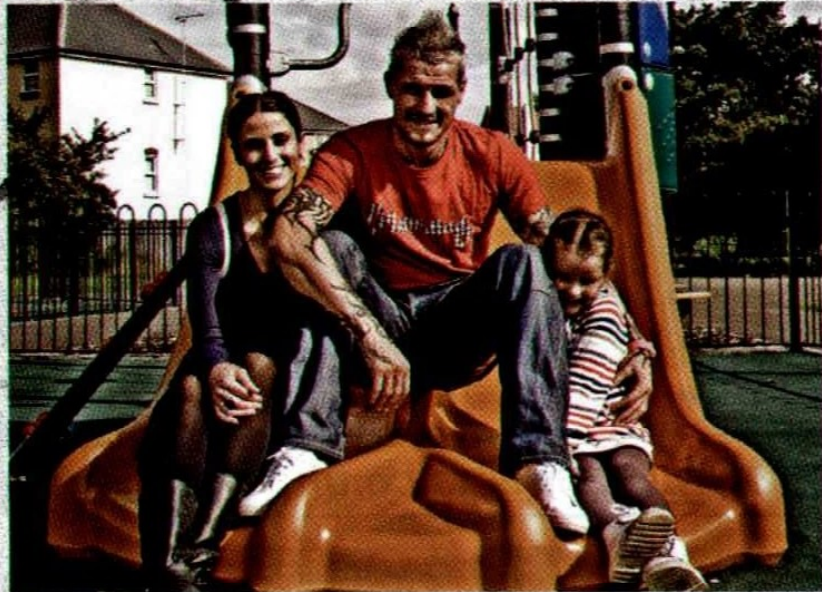
That would be from Sheffield to Bristol. I joined Swindon in January 2006 but still had a place in Bristol from my time there so used to commute in from there for a while.

How old were you when you moved out of your parents place?

I must have been about fifteen or sixteen. I went straight into digs at Carlisle United and moved into accommodation above the club shop. There were a few rooms up there and a guy called George Oghani, who used to play up front for Carlisle, had bagged the biggest room. The rest of the rooms had to house the YTS lads and trialists. There must have been about five players in each room! Eventually because I was staying over at weekends I managed to get the biggest room.

Which three personal items are most important to you?

I would say my laptop because it has every photo that I have ever taken on there and pictures mean a lot to me. My wedding ring, of course, and I have a bracelet from when my daughter was born.



Do you prefer older or newer properties?

Older properties are nice, but I do love a bit of modern! If I won the lottery I'd buy one of each.

What property-related TV shows do you watch?

I watch a few of them but my favourite would be Britain's Best Home on Channel Five. It's pretty varied and can feature anything from big country piles to modern apartments. That's a good watch and you get to see how the other half live.

Describe your dream house...

It would be a self-build in America. It would have about five bedrooms and two guesthouses by the swimming pool. I'd try and have a big slide coming from one of the guest

bedrooms on the third floor straight into the pool!

Would you ever like to play abroad?

Definitely. I have always wanted to go to America whether that be playing or coaching. I have never really pictured staying in England or Scotland for the rest of my life and the States is somewhere that I have fancied going to. I have also thought about Spain, but there are more opportunities to go into coaching in America.

Where do you want to live when you retire?

America. I would like to retire to somewhere that has four seasons, it would be great to know what's coming whether it be a scorching hot summer or a winter with really heavy snow. The seasons really play a part in the way you live your life.



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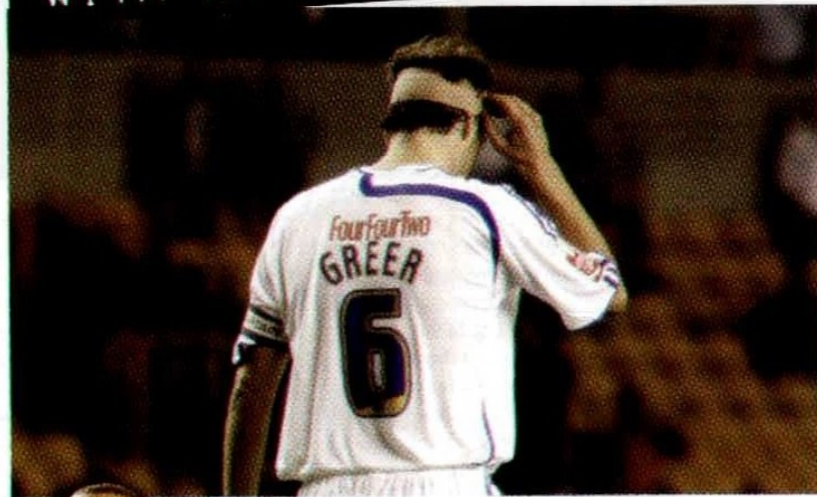
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Bloomin' penalty shoot-outs! As much as they might be great theatre, I'd guess most Town fans are getting heartily sick of them. I certainly am. Other than last year's Johnstone's Paint Trophy victory at Aldershot, they haven't been kind to Swindon in recent years.

Tuesday night's effort at Wolves was good, which I think makes it even worse, if that's possible. Neither 'keeper had any chance of saving any of the spot kicks, right up until Gordon Greer rattled the post with the Town's first sudden death penalty. Watching him tear the bandage off his bloodied head in frustration makes you remember just how much all the players gave just to get to that stage, only to lose. Again.

But it's not all doom and gloom, as you'll know if you were one of the

thousand plus Swindon fans at Molineux on Tuesday night. It wasn't a game that's going to live long in the memory in terms of



quality or individual skill, but the team certainly gave as good as they got against their Premier League opponents.

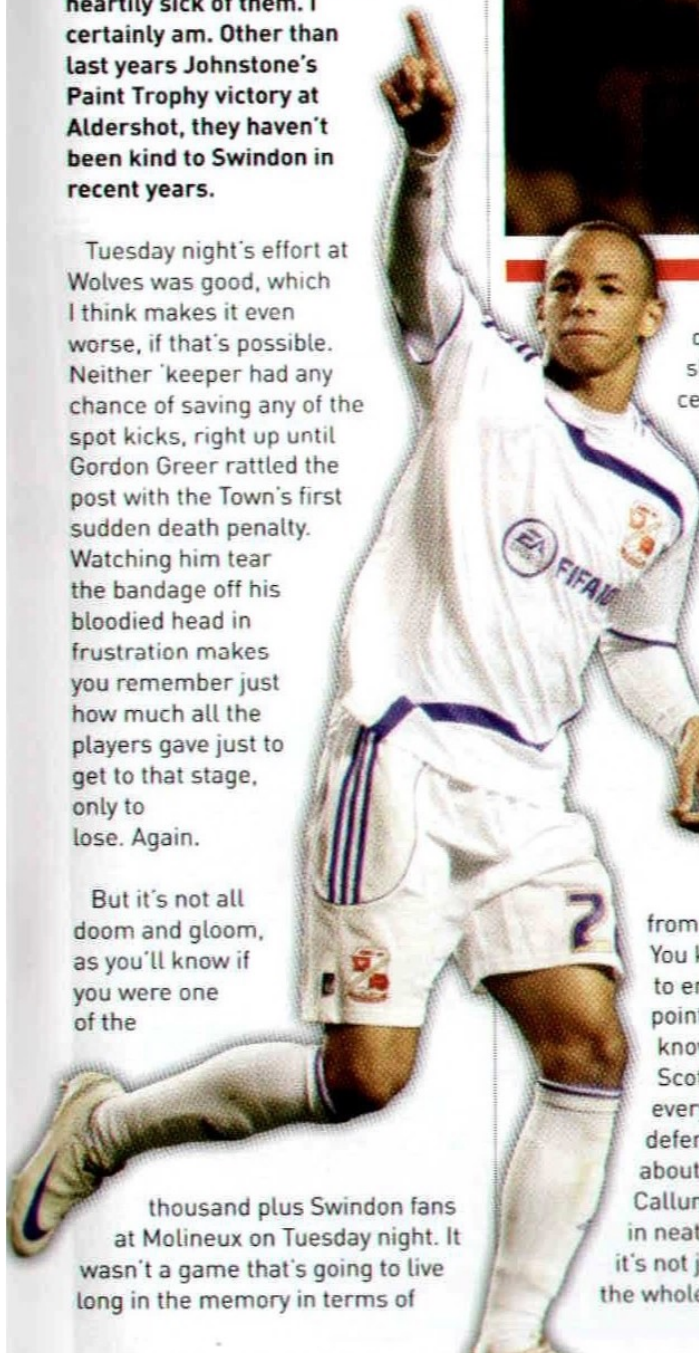
Two things particularly impressed me, the first was the defence.

Last year watching the Town back five was like that Russian roulette scene from the deer hunter. You knew it was going to end in tears at some point, you just didn't know exactly when. Scott Cuthbert looked every inch the quality defender we'd been told about this summer, and Callum Kennedy slotted in neatly at left back. But it's not just the defenders, the whole team worked so

"Watching him tear the bandage off his bloodied head in frustration makes you remember just how much all the players gave."

hard to keep a clean sheet that I felt that it really mattered to them. Something I'm not sure I've believed in the past.

The other was the composure of some of the younger players, who're being given the chance to show what they can do. They're a long way from the finished product, but Callum Kennedy, Lloyd Macklin and Mark Marshall all stood out at different times, something too few of Swindon's youngsters have done in the first team. And they all volunteered for, and scored, their penalties. Now if only they could have given Gordon Greer a few pointers!





SWINDON DOWN'S



SYNDROME GROUP


Our aim is to support people with Down's syndrome, their families and carers and also anyone with an interest in Down's syndrome by providing information, advice and support as well as raising general awareness. We are a parent-led support group run by a committee of 14 volunteers and a registered charity - 1096089 - affiliated to the National Down's Syndrome Association. All our work is funded by our Group and the money is raised through jumble sales, sponsored walk, donations and grants from local companies and businesses.

The group provides opportunities for parents to support each other by organising trips to the theatre, theme parks, a Christmas party, barbecues, activity sessions and monthly baby/toddler support meetings. We aim to provide training and information through an annual training day aimed at teachers and teaching assistants and through seminars throughout the year. We also

support pre-schools, primary and secondary schools by providing school resource packs containing manuals, flash cards, software, DVD's, numeracy resources and books aimed at educating a child with Down's syndrome.

The Group also provides some specialist sporting activities - football training run in conjunction with Swindon Town Community Team. This training session is open to all children with a disability between the ages of 5 - 18. Tennis lessons with a specialist coach and fortnightly swimming lessons with a specialist swimming coach and working towards nationally recognised qualifications. The Group also runs weekly speech and language therapy sessions.

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DICK'S DIARY

Injury matters have come to a head over the past two weeks with three consecutive head wounds to Sean Morrison, Leccinel Jean-Francois and Gordon Greer.

None thankfully serious but two requiring stitches. After assessing each wound and trying to control the bleeding, it is usually possible to resume play with two out of the three returning to the field with blood absorbent tape-wraps!



Leccinel also sustained a hamstring injury at Oldham which ruled him out of the midweek trip to Wolves. At the time of writing, Thursday, it looks as though 'Leccs' will be touch and go for Saturday's game against Southend United.

The recovering duo of **Aljofree** and **Hammonds** continue to progress with Hasney beginning to look forward to rejoining the squad in the next few



weeks. **Lee Peacock** has embarked on his pre-season training schedule and I am sure he will be looking forward to rejoining his teammates.

Finally, the club received a nice letter from MK Dons this week to thank the Swindon Town medical staff for their assistance in dealing with the recent injuries to **Mathias Doumbe** and **Dean Lewington**. I am pleased to report that Doumbe played off the bench last Saturday and Lewington should return to action at the weekend.



ANAEROBIC TRAINING

Town Fitness and Conditioning Coach David Morrison offers fans an insight into the demands of playing professional football...

Football players produce a small percentage of energy (10%) derived by the anaerobic system (without oxygen), so as to perform activities short in duration and explosive in nature such as sprinting and jumping. Energy provided in this manner is released by two different anaerobic systems (ATP-PCr System and the Lactate / Glycolytic System).

The aim of anaerobic training is to improve the ability to act quickly and to produce power rapidly thereby elevating sprinting performance: improves the body's ability to produce energy through the anaerobic pathways continuously and therefore increasing the potential to perform high intensity exercise for longer periods of time: and to improve the ability to recover after high intensity exercise.

Anaerobic training can be categorised as speed training and speed endurance training and must be performed according to an interval principle. Adaptation the ATP-PCr system can be gained from speed training performed at maximal intensity, for periods no longer than the energy systems capacity, which is approximately 10 seconds. The rest periods between exercise bouts are very important and should be long enough for the muscles to recover to near resting conditions so as to enable a player to perform maximally in a subsequent exercise bout.



PAUL BODIN

Having had a free weekend without a fixture the Town Under 18's took the opportunity of playing a friendly fixture at the training ground on Monday afternoon against a Plymouth College Under 19's team.

It was a good opportunity for the players to have a competitive game and for a couple of the players to get 90 minutes of football. The game finished with Swindon winning comfortably and all players coming through injury free and available for today's Puma Alliance South West fixture at Hereford United, 11am kick-off.

First year Apprentice Matt Clark was one of the players eager to get some game time having been injured for the last two weeks and missing the opening league fixture against Bristol Rovers. Matt looked fit and strong and came through 45 minutes feeling no effects from his recent thigh strain and should now be in contention for today's game at Hereford.

Both Seb Broomfield and Dan Evans our recent first year acquisitions from Plymouth are still unavailable due to the Transfer Tribunal not being completed. Both got good game time under their belts in the Plymouth College friendly fixture with Seb finally getting off the mark with some good finishing and Dan looking strong in defence. Hopefully it won't be too long before both apprentices will be available for selection once the Tribunal date has been set.

(Continued Right)...



The Centre of Excellence took on Yate Town with a series of games last weekend as the build-up to the new season continues.

The Centre of Excellence has been back in for nearly a month now and we have taken advantage of the available Sundays to increase our training to three sessions a week.

This is with the aim of giving the players more training time before the games programme starts on 6th September.

Last week we played Yate Town at Under 12's, Under 13's, Under 14's and Under 15's level. The games are used to get the players used to the shape and to get them more match time. We also need to give trialists

the opportunity to show us what they can do.

The games went well with all teams winning their matches, but it is important that the games are used in the right manner and the players put into practice what has been done on the training ground.

The Under 12's have now moved from a three-quarter sized pitch to a full size one, so it's important that they adapt and get used to the new distances in and out of possession. Special praise from the game goes to Jake Evans, Josh Coombes, Bradley Hutt and trialist Mike



Ledbury who all did very well.

The Under 13's have now had a season at full size level and should be able to get around the pitch a little easier and pass the ball longer. The signs are good and Ryan Wood, who has been playing up a year for a while, has been performing well along with Tommy Holland. Both players impressed.

The Under 14's had a lot of trialists in for the game and Alex Bateman, Lee Marshall and Luke Matthews all did well. Lee and Luke have committed themselves to the club for another four years until 2013 which is great news.

The Under 15's are looking very good, with Jake Simpson and Louis Thompson particular putting in good performances.

All the age groups will be tested when we play Fulham at their training ground. Look out for reports and pictures in the next home programme.

Enjoy the game this afternoon.

Jeremy Newton
Centre of Excellence



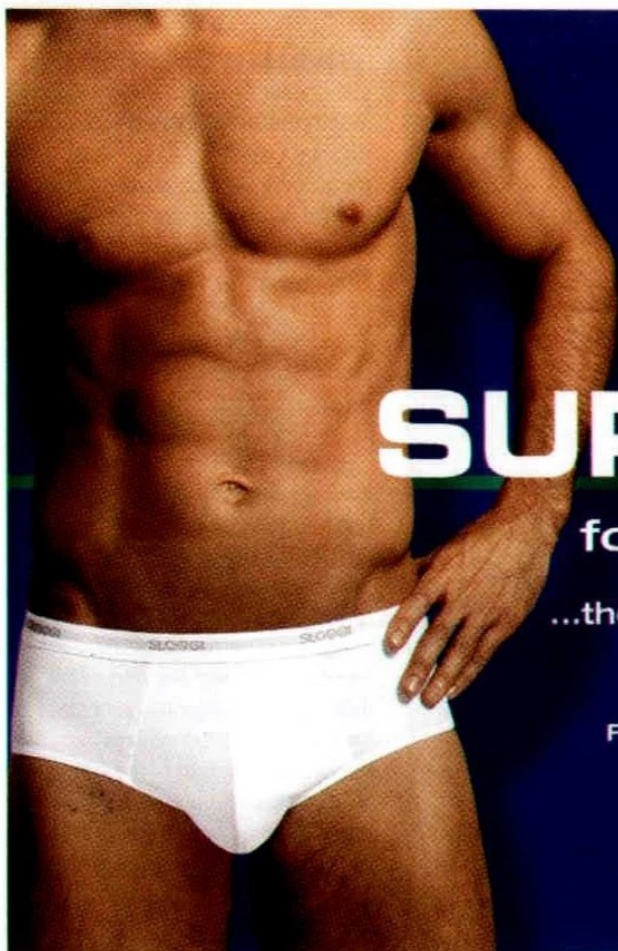
Billy Bodin has been put on standby for the second time this month for Brian Flynn's Wales Under 21 side who face Italy at the Liberty Stadium Swansea on Friday 4th September in the second European Qualifying game, having got off to a great start by beating Hungary 4-1 at the Racecourse Wrexham earlier this month in the opening European Qualifier.

Having been back training since the 29th June the lads haven't had to attend College, but from next Wednesday 2nd September the apprentices will be back at New College studying hard to complete their academic studies where they spend one and a half days per week (Monday mornings and all day on Wednesdays) for the two-year period of the A.S.E (Apprentice in Sporting Excellence) programme.

Enjoy the game.
Paul Bodin

UNDER 18 FIXTURES 2009/10

- 15-Aug-09 Bristol Rovers 1-2
- 29-Aug-09 Hereford United (A)
- 05-Sep-09 Oxford United (H) Cup 1**
- 12-Sep-09 Cheltenham T. (A) Cup 2
- 19-Sep-09 Hereford United (A) Cup 3
- 26-Sep-09 Bournemouth (H) Cup 4**
- 03-Oct-09 Cup 5
- 10-Oct-09 Exeter City (H)**
- 17-Oct-09 Cheltenham Town (A)
- 24-Oct-09 Oxford United (A)
- 31-Oct-09 Yeovil Town (H)**
- 07-Nov-09 Cup R2
- 14-Nov-09 Torquay United (A)
- 21-Nov-09 AFC Bournemouth (H)**
- 05-Dec-09 Plymouth Argyle (H)**
- 12-Dec-09 Swansea City (A)
- 09-Jan-10 Bristol Rovers (H)**
- 16-Jan-10 Cup R3
- 06-Feb-10 Hereford United (H)**
- 13-Feb-10 Exeter City (A)
- 20-Feb-10 Cup S/F
- 27-Feb-10 Cheltenham Town (H)**
- 06-Mar-10 Yeovil Town (A)
- 13-Mar-10 Oxford United (H)**
- 20-Mar-10 Torquay United (H)**
- 27-Mar-10 AFC Bournemouth (A)
- 10-Apr-10 Plymouth Argyle (A)
- 17-Apr-10 Swansea City (H)**



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Football in the Community are very proud to be linked for a second year with Alex Chequer and Anne Wilkes joining us from main sponsors Pertemps, who have shown tremendous support to what is an ever-expanding coaching programme in and around Wiltshire.

As you can see, we have a diverse coaching team with male and female

staff who all contribute to making the STFC Football in the Community Trust team an enthusiastic and professional outfit. We are incredibly proud of everyone's contribution to date and are looking forward to a successful 2009/10 season.

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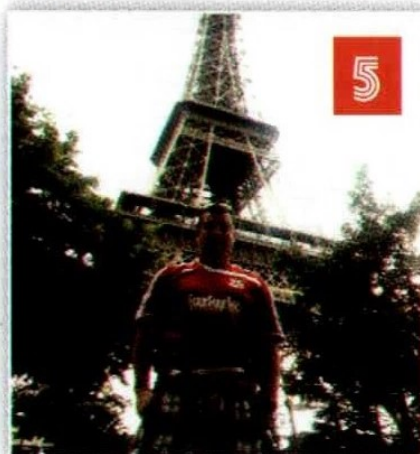
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The Homeless World Cup is an annual football tournament for teams of homeless people across the world. Please show your support for the team by getting involved with the official t shirt. All the profit from this will be used to ensure the England team can travel and compete in this fantastic life changing opportunity.





1 **Tour De France** - Teresa Pugh sent in this picture of her 8-year old daughter Mair, who took her Town shirt to France during a recent holiday.

2 **Going Dutch** - Declan Harris, who has regularly featured in these Fans Gallery pages, attended England's recent friendly in Holland with several photos to capture the trip!

3 **To Have and To Hold** - Robins fanatic Josh Strange managed to get his Swindon shirt into the wedding photo's of Tom and Tasmin Herbert. Good work, Josh!

4 **Norway To Go!** - Town fan Dave Bracken, who is also Jon-Paul McGovern's kit sponsor, sent in this photo from a recent trip to Norway and is proudly displaying his colours!

5 **Le Robin** - Simon Dyson enjoyed his honeymoon in Paris and like any loyal supporter, packed his Town shirt! Simon's Wife Hannah took this photo in front of the Eiffel Tower.

6 **Dream Boat!** - Craig Ruggles was pictured wearing his colours during a recent holiday to Corfu. Thanks to Craig's girlfriend Louise for the photo!

Email your snaps showing your colours to: editor@swindontownfc.co.uk

The STFC Supporters Club

Last Saturday was surely one of those bitter sweet matches where, we almost snatched victory at Oldham, only to have it snatched away at the very last moment.

I would like to think that all the Town fans that saw the Southampton game went home very satisfied and felt well entertained by the performance on the field. Off the field there was a somewhat unique moment as the number of tickets for the half-time draw at that game mirrored exactly the number sold the previous Saturday – what were the chances of that? The draw winners from both those games were.

MKD

1. **Michael Clark** Andover
Ticket number 767 won £376
2. **Roger Reeves** of Swindon
Ticket number 946 won £40

SOUTHAMPTON

1. **J Vanes** of Swindon
Ticket number 381 won £376
2. **T Young** of Swindon
Ticket number 378 won £40

It is still early season and there is still plenty of time to join the Supporters Club and participate in the benefits, including discounted away travel. Adult membership costs just £5 with lowers costs for concessions.

We were hoping to do a presentation to the Club at the last match following our contribution towards the Centre of Excellence's participation in the Northern Ireland Milk Cup competition. This season we contribute the whole cost of sending the squad to the tournament amounting to £10,000, indeed over recent seasons the Supporters Club have contributed upwards of £40,000 towards the cost of their participation in this prestigious tournament.

A mere glance at recent participants; all the Premier league elite including Manchester United, plus Fenerbahce, FC Porto, Spartak Moscow, FC Barcelona, Panathinaikos, from Brasil Botofago and many others including teams from 58 countries, shows the credence placed on the event by the leading teams of the world. A list of participant players from the UK shows many have reached the top of their profession, for example; David Beckham, Joe Cole, Damien Duff, Steve Staunton, Wayne Rooney, Steve McManaman, Peter Crouch, Ryan Giggs, Gary Neville, Michael Carrick, Craig Bellamy, James Milner and Dean Ashton amongst others. Swindon Town of course, have had success in recent seasons, including winning the Junior competition in 2006 and the BT Northern Ireland Trophy in 2007.

Individual players have had success as well, this year the most Valued Player of the Tournament was jointly won by Alex Henshall. The Club have scooped three other individual awards in the last five years including Lukas Jutkiewicz who won the golden boot.

A significant amount of the Supporters Club fundraising is dedicated to youth development including the Pounds for Points fund. Don't forget as a fan, group of fans or business, you can still help us with this initiative for as little as 50p (or more) per point and you get your name listed on this page of every home programme.

With 5 league point from the last three games means that fund already stands at £250 and there is still plenty of time to join for this season. Pick up an application form or contact Mavis Knight through our website at www.swindontownsupportersclub.com

Three points today would certainly help in more ways than one!

Roger



£'s for points

2008/2009 Participants	£
Kevin Legg Ltd	5
Mike McQueen	3
Andy Whitaker	3
Peter Cuss	2.50
Anonyms	2.50
David Barry	2
Maurice Heritage	1.50
Robert Stephenson	1.50
Jerry Walsh	1
David Johnson	1
Mike Dew	1
Chris & Maureen Kirkland	1
Iris Higgs	1
Olive & Michael Spearman	1
Simon Bayliss	1
Miss Joan Griffiths	1
David Toddington	1
Toni Cox	1
Paul Bartlett	1
Paul Spearman	1
Jim & Wendy Murray	1
Lloyd & Fiona Russell	1
Kim Young	1
Chris Tanner	1
The Fox Inn Denchworth	1
Adrian, Doug & Graham Smith	1
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George & Brenda Chadwick	1
Rose & Mike Jones	1
George & William Woodley	0.50
Frank Bunce	0.50
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Trev & Ruby Wainwright	0.50
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Bradley Carter	0.50
Dennise Webb	0.50
Fred Nash	0.50
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Ken Bunce	0.50
L J & C A Cannings	0.50
Anna Tomkins	0.50
Honer Fraser	0.50
Geoff Cherrill	0.50
Colin Cherrill	0.50
Karen Bedwell	0.50

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MATCHDAY EXTRAS



The Saints – In pictures →

Our Match & Matchball Sponsors from the Southampton fixture, Robert & Son's & Brakes both had a fantastic evening with us, and brought us the luck we needed.

The Man of the Match from the Southampton game – **Jonathan Douglas** was presented with his bottle of bubbly and is seen here



handing over a signed official match shirt & matchball to the Sponsors.

Have you thought about sponsoring a match? Alternatively, why not treat a loved one and secure the matchball package for them? For more details, please call **Adam Wainwright** on **0844 880 1094**. Prices start from as little as £395.



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- On the pitch photograph

- opportunity for all the party guests, to be taken with a selected first team player before the game
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Today's Mascot

Charlie Lord



Age: 9
Team: Blunsdon Colts FC Under 10's
Favourite Player: Lee Peacock

Birthday Announcements:

Happy Birthday to **Richard Bowdery**. Have a great day from your loving wife Margaret, your children Alison, Hazel and Richard, and your wonderful grandchildren.

Happy 19th Birthday to **Becky Butler** - love from Chris & all her Family.

Karen Barron who celebrated her 47th birthday [shh!] on Wednesday 26th August. She is a Season Ticket Holder in The Arkell's Stand. This comes with love from Tim and all the family.



SEPT 12TH - OCT 3RD

dates for the diary:



Colchester calling
12.09.09 3pm

Colchester United made a blistering start to the season, perhaps too good. The U's put seven goals past local rivals Norwich City at Carrow Road with Manager Paul Lambert catching the eye of the Norwich Board. Lambert was soon settling into the Manager's chair following the departure of Bryan Gunn and the new boss will be keen for a win.



Off to the glovers
05.09.09 3pm

Town are well supported on the road wherever the destination. However Yeovil away has proved a popular trip for Robins fans over the past few seasons with well over 1,000 supporters regularly making the trip to Huish Park from Wiltshire. This term Town will hope to make the most of what is the first away trip of September by claiming all three points against Terry Skiverton's men. And with Billy Paynter enjoying a fruitful spell in front of goal, can Swindon triumph?



SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 3PM

vs Yeovil (away)



Ticket Prices:

	Terrace (uncovered)	Seating (covered)
Adult	£15	£15
Snr Citzn (Over 65)	£10	£11
Young Adult 16-21	£8	£8
Junior U16	£5	£5
Ambulant disabled	n/a	£11
Wheelchair disabled	n/a	£11

Seating is for families with young children, OAP tickets or ambulant disabled only. Prices increase by £2 on matchday with the exception of Juniors.

SAS Travel:

Departs The County Ground: 3pm
Adults: £13, Juniors: £11

SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 3PM

vs Colchester United (home)



Tickets:

See Matchday Ticket details



SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 3PM

vs Walsall (away)

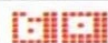


Ticket Prices:

Adult	£18
Senior Cit	£12 (No student discount)
Junior	£12
W/Chair	£18 (helper free)

SAS Travel:

Departs The County Ground: 11.30am
Adults: £14, Juniors: £12



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Saddle up
19.09.09 3pm

A



Two former Swindon players will face their old club when Town make the trip up the M5 in late September. Jamie Vincent has returned to Walsall after a three-year spell with Swindon and has claimed the left-back slot for the Saddlers. Sam Parkin will also be a familiar face to Town fans and the front man is now leading the line for the home side. Parkin, who joined from Luton Town in the summer, has scored twice this term against Southend and Leeds.



SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 3PM

vs Wycombe Wanderers (home)



Tickets:

See Matchday Ticket details



TUESDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 7.45PM

vs Exeter City (away)



Tickets:

Details to follow.

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 3PM

vs Brentford (away)



Tickets:

Details to follow.



Forthcoming Events:

See England in The Legends

Wednesday 9th September 2009

Swindon Town FC will be showing the **England vs Croatia** game live in the Legends Lounge.

Legends Lounge doors open at **7pm** with kick-off at **8pm**

And there is a great incentive to come along to STFC to see the game as the Club are offering a special promotion with a pint available for **just £1** until the first goal is scored!

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Junior	£9.00
Under 10's	FREE**
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Family (2 Adt, 3 Jun)	£45*
Disabled	£15.00

C&D TOWN END ****

	Matchday
Adults	£16.00
OAP/Student	£12.00*
Junior	£9.00
Under 10's	FREE**
Disabled	£12.00

To qualify for a Junior price you must be 15 or under on the day of the fixture. Unaccompanied 12-14 year olds will be issued tickets in Block 1 of The Don Rogers Stand. Under 12's must be accompanied by an adult in all areas.

* Please note no student/family free tickets are available on matchdays. Please purchase in advance.

** Children under ten must be accompanied by an adult, and need to be registered (once only) at the Box Office, with proof of age.

**** Please note juniors must be accompanied by an adult in the Town End.

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League One

Round-Up:



Paul Trollope's men toppled Huddersfield Town...

The surprise result of last weekend saw Huddersfield Town toppled on their League One trip to Bristol Rovers. A late penalty from Jeff Hughes proved enough to secure the points for Paul Trollope's men. Stockport County scored four at Brighton & Hove Albion whilst Exeter City striker Barry Corr played 74 minutes of his side's victory at Carlisle United.

RED MIST

Tuesday's Carling Cup tie between Swansea City and Scunthorpe United was almost abandoned with two minutes left of play. Gary Monk, Angel Rangel and Gorka Pintado were all dismissed for The Swans with debutant Besian Idrizaj forced back on after injury to ensure the game could come to a conclusion.

LEAGUE ONE RESULTS

TOTAL GOALS: 133

	Brentford	Brighton & Hove Albion	Bristol Rovers	Carlisle United	Charlton Athletic	Colchester United	Exeter City	Gillingham	Hartlepool United	Huddersfield Town	Leeds United	Leyton Orient	MK Dons	Millwall	Norwich City	Oldham Athletic	Southampton	Southend United	Stockport County	Swindon Town	Tranmere Rovers	Walsall	Wycombe Wanderers	Yeovil Town
Brentford		0-0		3-1											2-1		1-1							
Brighton & Hove Albion	0-0								1-7										2-4			0-1		
Bristol Rovers								2-1	1-0	1-2									2-0					
Carlisle United	1-3					0-1								0-0					2-1					
Charlton Athletic								2-0		2-1											2-0	3-2		
Colchester United							2-1					1-2		7-1									2-1	
Exeter City			1-0							1-2					1-1									1-1
Gillingham					1-2			0-1											5-0		2-4			
Hartlepool United			1-2				1-0				0-0													
Huddersfield Town	7-1	0-1														3-1		2-2						
Leeds United						2-1															3-0	2-1	1-0	
Leyton Orient			2-1		1-2										1-2									3-3
MK Dons						2-1		0-0												0-0	1-0			
Millwall			0-0													2-0		1-1	0-0					
Norwich City	1-2					1-7	1-1																5-2	
Oldham Athletic												2-1		0-2					0-0	2-2				
Southampton	1-1								1-3					1-1							0-1			
Southend United									2-2					0-0								2-2	1-1	
Stockport County		0-2	1-2																					
Swindon Town		4-2						0-5					0-0			2-2								
Tranmere Rovers								4-2			0-3		0-1											0-2
Walsall		1-0			0-2					1-2								2-2						
Wycombe Wanderers					2-3					0-1						2-5		1-1						
Yeovil Town						1-2	1-1					3-3									2-0			

the story so far:

LEAGUE ONE TABLE 2009/10

24.08.09

CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	GD
Charlton	4	4	0	0	9	3	12	+6
Leeds	4	4	0	0	8	2	12	+6
Colchester	4	3	0	1	12	5	9	+7
Bristol R	4	3	0	1	6	3	9	+3
Brentford	4	2	2	0	6	3	8	+3
MK Dons	4	2	2	0	3	1	8	+2
Huddersfield	4	2	1	1	12	5	7	+7
Millwall	4	1	3	0	3	1	6	+2
Yeovil	4	1	2	1	7	6	5	+1
Exeter	4	1	2	1	4	4	5	0
Oldham	4	1	2	1	4	5	5	-1
Swindon	4	1	2	1	3	7	5	-4
Southend	4	0	4	0	5	5	4	0
Leyton Orient	4	1	1	2	7	8	4	-1
Stockport	4	1	1	2	5	6	4	-1
Walsall	4	1	1	2	4	6	4	-2
Carlisle	4	1	1	2	3	5	4	-2
Hartlepool	4	1	1	2	2	4	4	-2
Norwich	4	1	1	2	8	12	4	-4
Gillingham	4	1	0	3	8	7	3	+1
Tranmere	4	1	0	3	4	8	3	-4
Wycombe	4	0	1	3	5	10	1	-5
Brighton	4	0	1	3	3	12	1	-9
Southampton	4	0	2	2	3	6	-8	-3

STFC PLAYER APPEARANCES

	2009/10 SEASON			STFC		CAREER	
	LGE	CUP	CLS	APP	CLS	APP	CLS
1 Lucas	4	2	0	6	0	275(7)	0
2 Outhbert	1	1	0	2	0	38(2)	1
4 Douglas	4	2	0	6	0	209(24)	16
6 Greer	4	2	0	25	1	188(13)	8
7 McGovern	3	2	2	70(12)	7	204(46)	22
8 Easton	0	1	0	33(10)	8	346(73)	37
10 Timlin	4	1	0	76(10)	4	109(13)	5
11 McNamee	4	2	0	57(15)	2	107(77)	5
12 Smith	0	0	0	79(0)	0	189(0)	0
14 Morrison	4	1	1	27(3)	2	27(3)	2
15 Amankwah	4	2	0	34(5)	2	181(42)	8
16 Aljofree	0	0	0	62(2)	3	261(26)	15
17 Kennedy	(2)	(1)	0	5(4)	0	5(4)	0
18 O'Brien	(2)	0	0	(2)	0	26(44)	1
19 Jean-Francois	4	1	0	7(3)	0	7(3)	0
20 Paynter	4	2	3	77(16)	25	241(59)	67
21 Peacock	0	0	0	113(16)	22	473(192)	138
22 Macklin	(1)	1	0	2(6)	0	2(6)	0
23 Thompson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24 Obadaye	(1)	1	0	3(1)	0	3(4)	0
25 Marshall	(1)	(1)	0	1(1)	0	1(1)	0
26 Jesionkowski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27 Casal	0	0	0	5(1)	0	5(1)	0
28 Scott	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29 Hammonds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Important information:

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 affects your area of the stadium, comply with the instruction immediately. 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.

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FIXTURES RESULTS 2009/10













DATE	OPPOSITION	KO	ATT	VIS	POS	REFEREE
Sat Aug 8	Gillingham	A	0-5	6,852	788	22 G Horwood
Tue Aug 11	Milton Keynes Dons CC1	A	4-1	4,812	531	→ R Booth
Sat Aug 15	MILTON KEYNES DONS	H	0-0	6,692	533	21 G Ward
Tue Aug 18	SOUTHAMPTON	H	1-0	11,007	2,995	13 S Cook
Sat Aug 22	Oldham Athletic	A	2-2	4,229	246	12 M Haywood
Tue Aug 25	Wolverhampton Wanderers CC2	A	0-0 6-5 pen	11,416	1,280	X K Hill
Sat Aug 29	SOUTHEND UNITED	H	3pm			
Sat Sep 5	Yeovil Town	A	3pm			
Sat Sep 12	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	3pm			
Sat Sep 19	Walsall	A	3pm			
Sat Sep 26	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	3pm			
Tue Sep 29	Exeter City	A	7.45pm			
Sat Oct 3	Brentford	A	3pm			
Sat Oct 10	MILLWALL	H	3pm			
Sat Oct 17	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H	3pm			
Sat Oct 24	Norwich City	A	3pm			
Sat Oct 31	Tranmere Rovers	A	3pm			
Sat Nov 14	LEEDS UNITED	H	3pm			
Sat Nov 21	Carlisle United	A	3pm			
Tue Nov 24	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H	7.45pm			
Tue Dec 1	Stockport County	A	7.45pm			
Sat Dec 5	LEYTON ORIENT	H	3pm			
Sat Dec 12	Bristol Rovers	A	3pm			
Sat Dec 19	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H	3pm			
Sat Dec 26	Charlton Athletic	A	3pm			
Mon Dec 28	YEOVIL TOWN	H	3pm			
Sat Jan 2	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	3pm			
Sat Jan 9	Milton Keynes Dons	A	3pm			
Sat Jan 16	GILLINGHAM	H	3pm			
Sat Jan 23	Southampton	A	3pm			
Sat Jan 30	Southend United	A	3pm			
Sat Feb 6	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H	3pm			
Sat Feb 13	Huddersfield Town	A	3pm			
Sat Feb 20	CARLISLE UNITED	H	3pm			
Tue Feb 23	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H	7.45pm			
Sat Feb 27	Leyton Orient	A	3pm			
Sat Mar 6	BRISTOL ROVERS	H	3pm			
Sat Mar 13	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	3pm			
Sat Mar 20	NORWICH CITY	H	3pm			
Sat Mar 27	Hartlepool United	A	3pm			
Sat Apr 3	Leeds United	A	3pm			
Mon Apr 5	TRANMERE ROVERS	H	3pm			
Sat Apr 10	Colchester United	A	3pm			
Tue Apr 13	EXETER CITY	H	7.45pm			
Sat Apr 17	WALSALL	H	3pm			
Sat Apr 24	Wycombe Wanderers	A	3pm			
Sat May 1	BRENTFORD	H	3pm			
Sat May 8	Millwall	A	3pm			

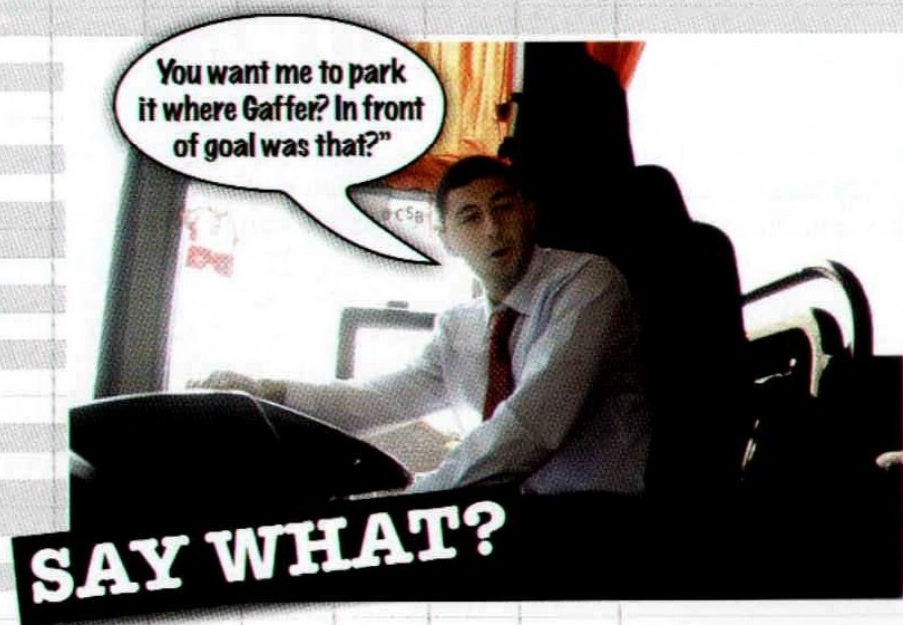
WHERE WE SCORED FROM



WHERE THEY SCORED FROM



          											
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Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Morrison	Greer	Douglas	Timlin	McNamee (1)	McGovern 1	Macklin	Paynter 2 (2)	Kennedy (1), Marshall (2)
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Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois (1)	Morrison	Greer	Douglas	Timlin (2)	McNamee (3)	McGovern 1	Obadeyi	Paynter 1	Kennedy (1), Macklin (2), O'Brien (3)
Lucas	Amankwaah	Kennedy	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Easton	McNamee (1)	McGovern	Obadeyi (2)	Paynter (3)	Marshall (1), Macklin (2), O'Brien (3)



Winning caption supplied by Town fan David Whitbread. For today's picture see page 35. Send your captions to programme@swindontownfc.co.uk and you could have your caption published right here in the next edition!

HOW WE SCORED

HEADER	LEFT FOOT	RIGHT FOOT	OWN GOAL	FREE KICK	PENALTY
					

STARTING RECORD 2009/10

	LGE	CUP
David Lucas	4	2
Jonathan Douglas	4	2
Gordon Greer	4	2
Anthony McNamee	4	2
Billy Paynter	4	2
Kevin Amankwaah	4	2
Michael Timlin	4	1

IN THE BOOK 2009/10

	Y	R
Michael Timlin	1	-
Sean Morrison	1	-
Jonathan Douglas	1	-
Gordon Greer	1	-
Leccinel Jean-Francois	1	-
Kevin Amankwaah	1	-
Billy Paynter	1	-

PERSONAL FACTFILE:

Name: Billy Paynter
Position: Midfielder
Star sign: Cancer
Shoe size: 9
Best mate at STFC:
Matty Vernon
Marmite, love or hate?: Hate
Website: BlueKipper.com
Invite to dinner: My family!
Tea or Coffee: Tea, 1 sugar please!
Movie: Dumb and Dumber
Music: David Guetta
Car: Ferrari



THE LAST WORD:

with...

Billy Paynter

What was the **LAST** thing you purchased?

I went up to Birmingham the day after the MK Dons home game and went to the Bullring. I managed to find a nice shirt from All Saints which took my fancy. I'll probably save it for the Christmas night out!

Can you remember the **LAST** time you were sent off?

Unfortunately yes. It was up at The Alex Stadium against Crewe. It was the second time I had been sent off against them away from home inside a year.

What's the **LAST** thing you do before a game?

Before I go out for a game I swill my face with cold water. It's just a routine I have done for a while now and it makes sure I am completely alert before going out on to the pitch for the match.

Who did you make your **LAST** phone call to?

It was to my sister Sarah at about ten to midnight. She lives up in Liverpool so I gave her a call to see how things are going and how her family are.

What's the **LAST** thing you recorded on Sky+?

Before the Oldham game we stayed at The Marriott Hotel and I was flicking through the channels and saw a trailer for the film Donkey Punch. I recorded it when I got back and watched it. Unfortunately it was a waste of time!

Tell us about the **LAST** flight you took and where was it to?

That was for the pre-season tour to Austria. I had a couple of trips away in the summer

to get some sun, but the Austria tour was the last flight I took before the League One season got under way.

What was the **LAST** meal you cooked?

Beans on toast! My Missus does all the cooking in our house so unfortunately when she goes away I have to go back to basics. You can't go wrong with beans on toast though can you?



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Guarantee your seat for the BIG game against **LEEDS UNITED** on Saturday 14th November with the following ticket promotion.

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List of games

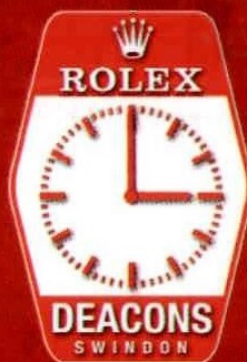
Sat 29th Aug	vs	Southend United
Sat 12th Sept	vs	Colchester United
Sat 26th Sept	vs	Wycombe Wanderers
Sat 10th Oct	vs	Millwall
Sat 17th Oct	vs	Hartlepool United
Tues 24th Nov	vs	Huddersfield Town
Sat 5th Dec	vs	Leyton Orient
Sat 19th Dec	vs	Brighton & Hove Albion

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Swindon Town vs
Southend United 29.08.09

SWINDON TOWN

Danny Wilson

David Lucas	1
Scott Cuthbert	2
Jonathan Douglas	4
Gordon Greer	6
Jon-Paul McGovern	7
Craig Easton	8
Michael Timlin	10
Anthony McNamee	11
Phil Smith	12
Sean Morrison	14
Kevin Amankwaah	15
Hasney Aljofree	16
Callum Kennedy	17
Alan O'Brien	18
Lecsinel Jean-Francois	19
Billy Paynter	20
Lee Peacock	21
Lloyd Macklin	22
Nathan Thompson	23
Tope Obadeyi	24
Mark Marshall	25
Jakub Jesionkowski	26
Yinka Casal	27
Mark Scott	28
Kurt Hammonds	29

SOUTHEND UNITED

Steve Tilson

1	Steve Mildenhall
2	Simon Francis
3	John White
4	Jean Francois-Christophe
5	Matt Heath
6	Adam Barrett
7	Anthony Grant
8	Alan McCormack
9	Lee Barnard
10	James Walker
11	Alex Revell
12	Damian Scannell
14	Franck Moussa
15	Osei Sankofa
16	Dougie Freedman
18	Johnny Herd
20	Jean-Yves M'Voto
21	Kevin Betsy
22	Stuart O'Keefe
24	Ian Joyce
26	Francis Laurent
28	Lee Sawyer
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Assistant 2:	M S Perry
Fourth Official:	J Busby

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