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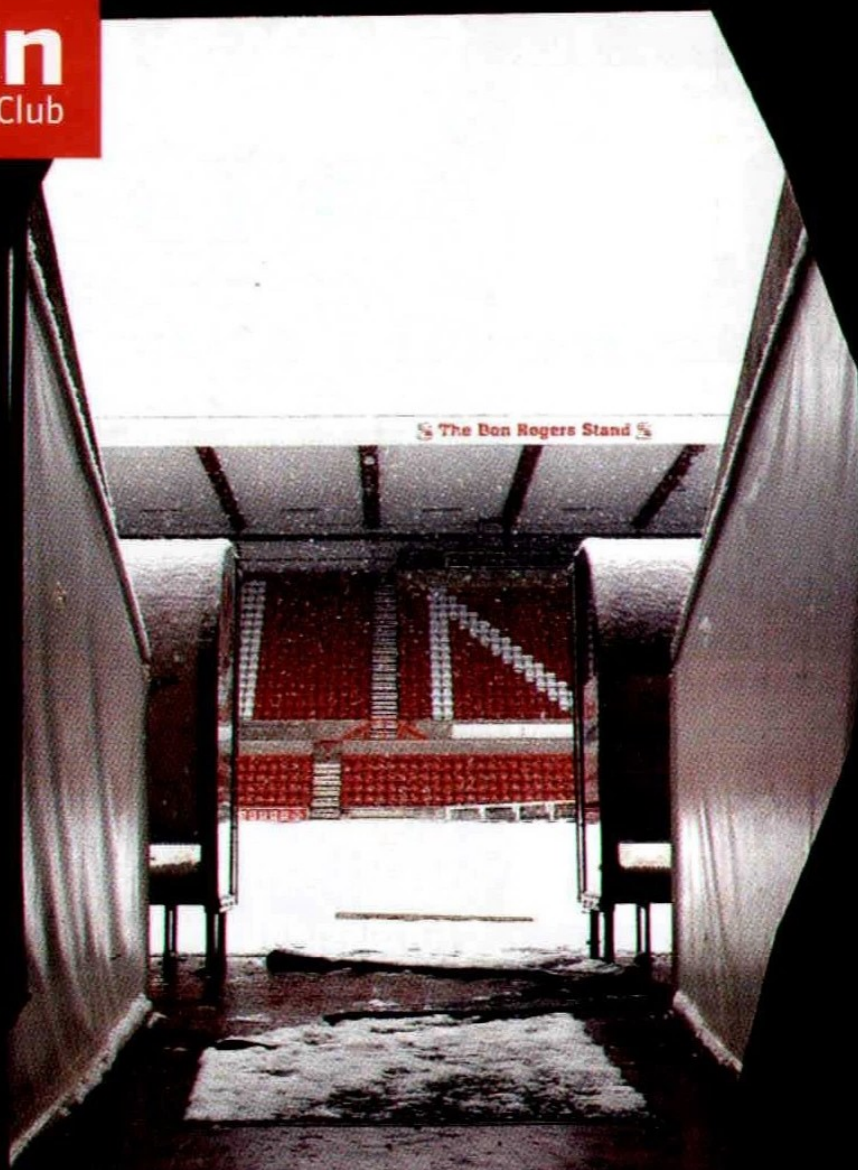
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Today we welcome Yeovil Town to The County Ground for what is the final game before the New Year.

The last time we met here was against Brighton & Hove Albion where we came out on top with a 2-1 win. We were disappointed with goals we conceded against Bristol Rovers but we were delighted to return to winning ways at the first attempt. Brighton gave us a real test and it was not easy at times but we did enough to win the game. We made some good chances and Peter Brezovan made a few smart

stringing results together, especially at home, then it will give our supporters a little more faith in us. We have proved that we can stay in and around the top of the division and we've got to keep doing that. Yeovil will come here looking to get a result and we will have to be on our guard against what they have to offer. It was a tight affair with them earlier in the season and I am sure it will be another close encounter this afternoon.

This weekend we take on Fulham in the FA Cup third round. The cup games that we have played in so far

"I understand there has been a magnificent take-up of tickets for the game and with around 6,000 Swindon fans making the trip."

saves which meant we didn't quite get the advantage we wanted at the break. Things did get a bit nervy at the end but we managed to hold on, and that's the most important thing.

Our strikers have been doing well of late and Billy and Charlie put in another hard-working performance against Brighton. They both held the ball up and linked up well which was pleasing to see. The priority against Brighton was three points and a goal apiece from Billy and Charlie helped us achieve that.

A mention must also go to Jon-Paul McGovern. He has been in very consistent form and he has been a main contributor to our passing game. He has also shown in recent weeks the quality he can deliver and he deserved the man of the match award against Brighton - as well as his player of the month award before the game!

It was great to see a few more fans in for the Brighton game. If we can keep

this season have given us great hope. Against Norwich and Wolves - who both have resources we can only dream about - we gave very good accounts of ourselves on both nights. To play against the quality that there is at Wolves especially and produce such a tight game; shows how much progress is being made here, and it's great to see. I understand there has been a magnificent take-up of tickets for the game and with around 6,000 Swindon fans making the trip; the atmosphere should be quite special.

Hopefully we can reach 2010 with another three points to our tally. Have a great New Year and see you all at Craven Cottage this weekend.

Enjoy the game.



Question for the Gaffer?

Eric Mills, Cotham, asked:
You have now completed one-year in charge of Swindon Town. What do you remember of the squad when you first took over?

"The players were fit and they were good enough. Maurice [Malpas] had assembled a decent squad, and the only thing they were lacking was a bit of confidence.

"All they needed was a few wins as quick as possible, and that just restores confidence. Then you see the true type of player you've got. When they lack confidence they go into their shell a little bit, and are inhibited in their game, but it's results that gets that out of them, and that's what we tried to do with them."

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A Grand Day Out →

Pupils from **Downloads School** returned to The County Ground in the build-up to the last home game with Brighton & Hove Albion.

The group, who made their first trip to Swindon last season, enjoyed lunch with the first team squad before sitting down for a question and answer session with Town striker **Billy Paynter**.

The children enjoyed their day out and here is a selection of their day:



"Meeting all the players that I watch play on a Saturday was fantastic."

Cieran Hart, Season Ticket Holder

"Having my photo taken with the players was great, especially Billy Paynter."

Dean Sawyer

A member of the school staff, **Tommie Callinan**, added: *"We enjoyed the tour and getting to know about the lifestyle of a football player. Thank you Adam for making it such an enjoyable day."*

QUIZ TIME →

There will be a **Quiz Night** at The County Ground on **Thursday 14th January 2010** in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care. The evening will get under way at **7.30pm** with entry **£2 per person** with a maximum of eight players per team.

To enter or for more details please contact **Sharon** on 07595 497713 or **Debbie** on 07947 794155. Sharon and Debbie will also be taking part in a trek of the Great Wall of China in May 2010.

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEWS COMING UP →



Player →

STFC Player subscribers will be able to view two interviews with Town Chairman **Andrew Fitton** over the coming days.

Fitton previews this weekend's **FA Cup** tie at **Fulham** as well as bringing fans an update ahead of the January transfer window – speaking about how he believes the month will pan out for The Robins as they look bolster the squad ahead of the season's denouement.

Log onto **Swindontownfc.co.uk** to find out more details as well as how to subscribe to **STFC Player**.

J-P scoops Arkell's award →



Town midfielder **Jon-Paul McGovern** was awarded the **Arkell's Player of the Month** award for **November** at the last home game with Brighton & Hove Albion.

J-P received the award from **Nick Arkell** in a pitchside presentation before playing his part in a 2-1 home victory for The Robins.

The former Celtic man also featured in the wins over Woking, Carlisle United, Huddersfield Town and Wrexham in what was a productive month for Danny Wilson's men.

Northern Boy Enjoys County Ground Debut →

Most Town fans have only a short trip to make to watch their team in action at The County Ground, but for one young supporter, the journey to Wiltshire for Saturday's home match against Brighton & Hove Albion was a far more substantial one.

Nick Lough, 15, travelled down from his home in Newcastle with mother Trish to watch Town



overcome Gus Poyet's side 2-1, and spoke to **www.swindontownfc.co.uk** pitchside before kick off.

He said: "It's my first time at The County Ground, and I'm looking forward to it loads. I've been excited about it for ages."

"I live in Newcastle so I've been to many Newcastle games over the years, but I definitely consider myself a Swindon Town fan now."

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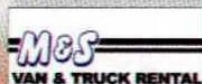
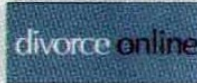
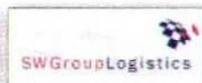


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Nick Watkins:

From the Boardroom

Good afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground, for this our last home fixture of 2009, before we herald in the arrival of 2010 and all of the hope that a New Year brings.

I recall vividly this time last year and the visit of Yeovil Town FC when we were still managerless and languishing in 20th position in the league. We lost 3 – 2 and the result starkly reminded us of the urgent need for a new manager. At the time Andrew Fitton, Jeremy Wray and I were travelling up and down the motorways in search of the right man and then along came Danny Wilson. Danny's appointment on Christmas Eve 2008 was the source of much needed change and signalled a new beginning at STFC.

Now whilst on the subject of Danny Wilson, may I take this opportunity to extend to him, on behalf of everyone at Swindon Town, Directors, staff, players and supporters alike, a very Happy Birthday for January 1st. A New Year and a new life beginning 50 years ago- congratulations DW.

So I hope that you spent an enjoyable Christmas and the Robins certainly provided you with that extra special Christmas cheer by defeating a fiercely competitive Brighton & Hove Albion, and in doing so moved to 6th place in the division. Let us hope we are still in the dizzy play off heights at KO time today but as I sit here on December 22nd, penning these notes, it is beyond me to predict the Charlton Athletic result!

At the end of an old year and on the eve of a new one, there is a tendency to adopt a reflective mode, questioning what has been achieved, what progress has been made in the old year and what opportunities and change may the New Year hold? I certainly think that STFC can look back on 2009 as a year of progression. Danny Wilson, Peter



"No river can return to its source, yet all rivers must have a beginning."

Shirtliff and George Wood, the Holy Trinity as I call them, have formed a formidable coaching team, very ably supported by Roger Jones, Dick Mackey and Dave Morrison, and they have brought a new approach and a new ethos to the dressing room, a dressing room that is so well led by Gordon Greer. There is a strong sense of unity, purpose, team-ship and self-belief amongst the management and the players.

On the non-playing side, progress continues to be made, two years on since the Andrew Fitton led consortium-acquired control of the club. I do believe that the Swindon Town Experience gets better and better with each game and the glowing endorsements that we now receive is a testament to the hard work that so many people put in on a Matchday. The editor does not allow me enough words to mention everyone by name but you know who you all are and thank you, your support and commitment is

immense and greatly appreciated.

The club's revenues, both footballing and commercial, are growing steadily if not spectacularly and they need to grow much further if the club is to achieve the target of financial sustainability. As the New Year approaches so we will be approaching the fans of STFC (existing, lapsed and new) requesting that they make the PLEDGE to support the club as we move into a new era and most probably a newly-rebuilt County Ground stadium. But as they say on BBC 2 News Night – more about this later.

Finally, welcome to Yeovil Town FC, thank you one and all for visiting The County Ground today and may 2010 bring you everything that you wish for and more, as we bid farewell to a very testing 2009.

Happy New Year; and we look forward to seeing 6,000 of you at Craven Cottage on Saturday.

Best wishes.

Nick Watkins

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Gordon Greer: Captain's notes

The busy Christmas schedule continues today with Yeovil Town visiting The County Ground.

As always, I expect it to be a difficult game, but we'll be striving to put on a good performance and get a result against one of our local rivals.

We played Yeovil earlier on in the season and it was a really tough game. We managed to get a 1-0 win but it wasn't easy and I don't think today will be any different.

Everyone knows that no game is easy in this league, and we're going to have to be at our best to get something from the game today.

"The match against Brighton saw a really good turnout of over 7,000 fans, which was fantastic."

It's our second game in three days after the game at Charlton on Boxing Day, so it will be difficult, but it's the same for both teams and the boys won't need much motivating to go out and get another three points.

We're really looking forward to the game because we feel really confident at the moment and want to build on that as much as we possibly can.

We've shown on many occasions so far this season that if we perform the way that we know we can, we can match anyone, and I think if we do that again today we can get a result.

Obviously Yeovil are in and around the bottom of the relegation zone, but that is not going to count for much by the time the match kicks off today.

As we saw when Brighton were here a couple of weeks ago, league positions aren't necessarily the best indicator of what a team will play like, because Brighton were better than the league table suggested.

The match against Brighton saw a really good turnout of over 7,000

fans, which was fantastic, especially considering it was the last weekend before Christmas.

I had spoken to a few people before that game, and they were expecting quite a lot of fans to stay away as it was the last weekend before Christmas, but it was really important for the players to get such good support from the fans, and we're all really grateful for it.

As a player it's great to play in front of as many fans as possible, and it would be

nice to see a healthy number of supporters here today.

For us it's important to have such good support as it helps us play better because we know we've got the backing of a decent number of fans, so hopefully we can have plenty of fans turn out and support us after Christmas in the same way they did before it.

Thank you for your continued support. We'll be working hard to make sure we put on a good showing, and hopefully we can give the fans a late Christmas present with three points.

Enjoy the game,




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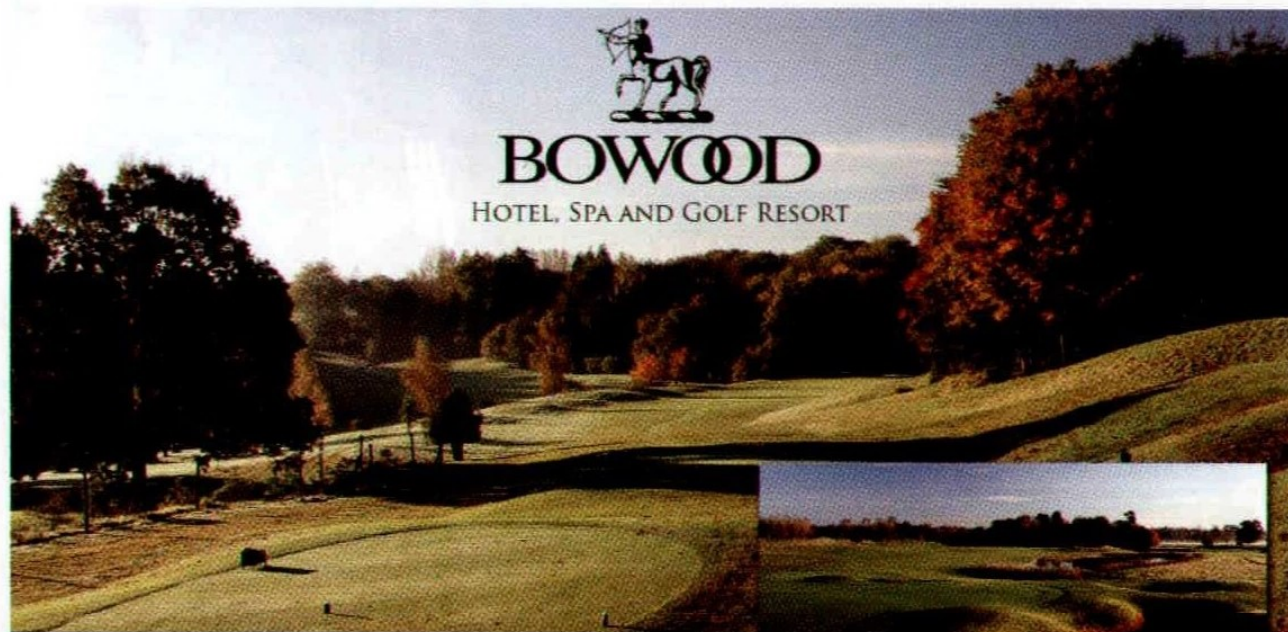
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The second annual Swindon Town Football Club Staff Awards took place on Tuesday 15th December.

84 members of club staff were in attendance including the entire playing squad, team management and behind the scenes staff.

Saxophonist Lonnie Niester kicked off the evening with some smooth sounds in the Sponsors' Suite before a three-course meal was served.

Football in the Community Managers Clive Maguire and Jon Holloway also presented a report from their recent trip to Zambia. Find out more on page 46 of this matchday programme.

The seven awards made on the night were as follows:

Best Newcomer:

Clare Haworth (Head of Retail) & Kay Wainwright (Sales Executive)

Outstanding Performance:

Derrick Johnson (Head of Design)

The Players' Player:

Roger Jones (Kit Manager)

The Best Supporting Act:

Fred Brown & Matty Vernon (Maintenance Team)

Most Improved Performer:

Chris Abrook (Bar Manager)

Lifetime Achievement:

Michael Spearman (President)

The Chairman's Award:

Marcus Cassidy (Groundsman)

Members of the Town backroom staff enjoy their own team photo



Mike Spearman relays another joke to goalkeeper David Lucas



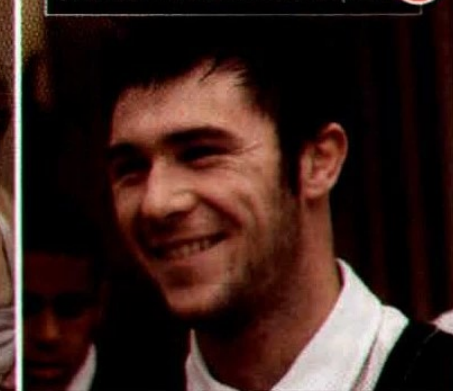
Marcus Cassidy, winner of the Chairman's Award, proved popular



Put her down Matty!



The catering team enjoy a night off (aside from Head Chef Clive Harper!)





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Swindon Town: Commercial King

It's my birthday today so hopefully there will be further cause for celebration tonight with a home win against Yeovil Town!

Three points would be a fantastic birthday present, especially after getting the win over Brighton & Hove Albion the last time we met here at The County Ground. The defeat at Bristol Rovers was disappointing but it was good to see the lads get back on track with a win over Brighton.

The Christmas period is always a busy one as a footballer. The games come thick and fast and if we get another win on the board today then that would send everyone into 2010 with a smile. It is such an important time of year and the team's form has got better and better this season. The signings that Danny has made have made a big impact. The football is good to watch and the whole club is moving in the right direction.

The Sponsor's Suite on a matchday is a great place to be and the atmosphere is really something to savour now. Both match and matchball sponsorship packages

are now fully subscribed for the remainder of the season although some programme sponsorship packages are still available.

Next weekend attentions will turn away from League One to the FA Cup. I will be making the trip across to Fulham with my two sons and we are really looking forward to the game. I was asked by BBC Radio Swindon to go along to the game as part of the commentary team but this is a fixture that I want to enjoy as a supporter. Fulham are flying at the moment but if we could beat them or bring them back to The County Ground for a replay then that would be fantastic.

I remember going to Craven Cottage a few times as a player. Some great names have played for Fulham, such as George Best and Rodney Marsh and our FA Cup tie there should be a great day for fans and players alike.

Here's to another win today and who knows what 2010 will hold!

Enjoy the game!
Phil King



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Tickets prices are **just £30**, and as a Season Ticket Holder a discount applies so tickets are **only £25**. The price will include a pay-bar facility, **two-course meal, refreshments** (tea or coffee), **quiz & competitions**. And the night will be compered by the BBC's very own **Shaun Hodgetts** taking place on **Tuesday 18th February, 7pm start**.

Thank You →

Today we welcome Wincanton and JJB to The County Ground as sponsors for the visit of Yeovil Town.

Wincanton are in Town as Match Sponsors whilst JJB have kindly taken up the Matchball Sponsorship package. A special mention to JJB Store Manager Graeme Bridgeman who recently hosted Charlie Austin in store for a football competition! We hope all guests enjoy their day.

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2009 IN REVIEW → → → → Words: Nick Judd

January →

27: A draw against Stockport and a narrow defeat away at Huddersfield are followed by Danny Wilson's first win as Swindon manager. Town were in the driving seat at half-time thanks to Kevin Amankwaah's opener and Simon Cox's contender for goal of the season, a stunning volley from 35-yards Wilson described as "a Bergkamp-ilk type of goal." Despite taking a 3-0 goal early in the second half, Town make it a nervous finale after conceding two goals in two minutes.

February →

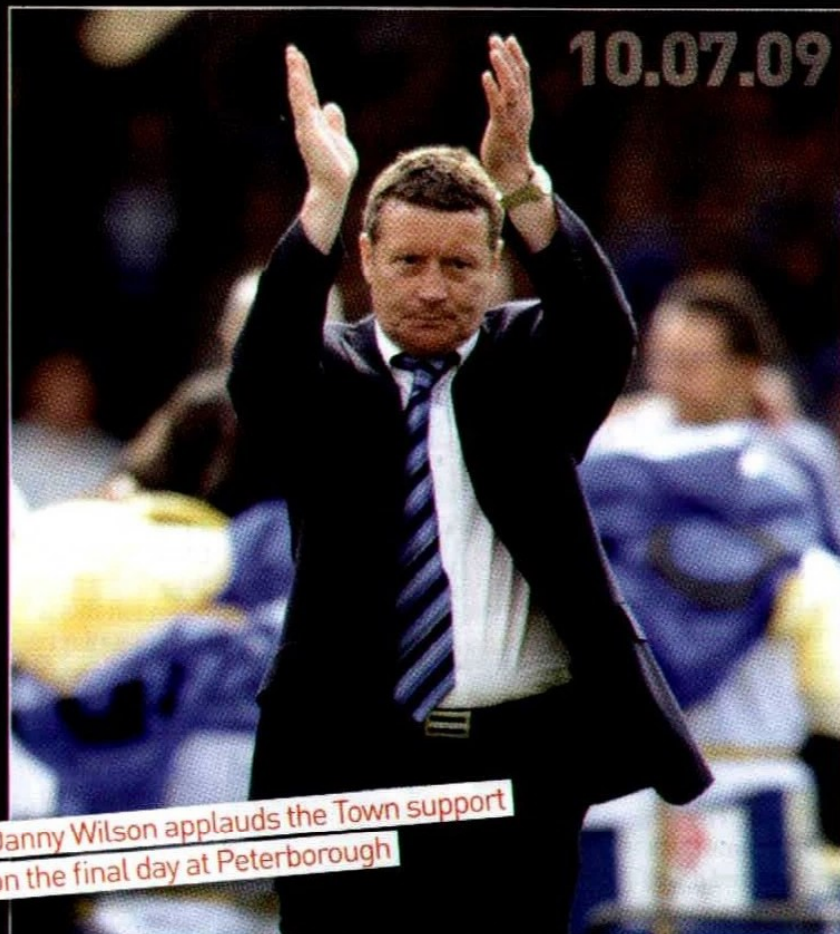
21: Another two-goal lead at half-time at The County Ground, but this time it was visitors Scunthorpe who had it. Town showed great character to come from behind and beat the promotion chasers – at one stage down to nine men – 4-2.

26: Town youngsters Sean Morrison and Callum Kennedy sign contract extensions to their current deals. The duo signed on until the summer of 2010.

March →

9: Wilson bolsters his squad with the signing of Welsh international midfielder Owain Tudur-Jones from Swansea on an initial month-long loan. The 24-year-old made his debut days later against Colchester and joined fellow loanee, Hal Robson Kanu, who joined from Reading.

24: Town secure one of the most crucial wins of the 2008/09 season as Cox's third hat-trick of the year sees us come from behind to beat relegation rivals Northampton Town 4-3 at Sixfields. "I think he can go to the top – no doubt about it," said Wilson after the game. "I can see players in the Premier League at



Danny Wilson applauds the Town support on the final day at Peterborough



this moment in time, who have had decent careers at that level, but who aren't as good as him."

26: West Ham boss Gianfranco Zola scores a hat-trick as a Chelsea Legends XI beat a Swindon Town XI 3-2 in Christian Roberts' testimonial. More than 3,100 fans came to the Welshman's send off after he was forced to retire last September with a knee injury.



April →

11: Another game against relegation rivals sees Town snatch a glorious 3-2 away win at Brighton. A stunning start to the second half sees Gordon Greer, Billy Paynter and Simon Cox all find the scoresheet in a win Wilson describes as "a big result".

25: A Cox double virtually secures Swindon's League One survival in a 2-1 win against Bristol Rovers

2009 IN REVIEW → → → →

at The County Ground. The lively frontman hit goals 29 and 30 with goals either side of the break to ensure the victory.

May →

2: The Stratton Bank is renamed Adkins Family Stand for the next two seasons, following the result of the club's Stand Buy Me initiative. Simon Adkins' winning ticket was drawn live on Soccer AM by Town Chairman Andrew Fitton.

2: Later that day, Town finish the season on a high with a 2-2 draw away at league winners Peterborough United. Cox signs off with a brace.

6: Wilson clears the decks for a busy summer by releasing 13 players including Michael Pook, Jack Smith, Jamie Vincent, Peter Brezovan and Barry Corr.

12: After a successful loan spell from Doncaster Rovers, Scottish defender Gordon Greer becomes Wilson's first signing of the summer after agreeing a two-year deal. The 28-year-old was released at the end of the season.

June →

2: Goalkeeper David Lucas puts pen to paper and joins Wilson's revolution. He joins on a free transfer after being released by Leeds United.

16: David Byrne is appointed Head of Player Development.

22: The backroom staff continues to take shape when Peter Shirtliff is named as Wilson's new right-hand man, three weeks after the former Tranmere assistant boss left his position at Prenton Park.

July →

8: The news Town fans feared all summer finally comes when West Bromwich Albion complete the signing of top scorer Cox in a



£1.9 million deal. Cox, 22, joined the Midlands side on a two-year contract.

10: Every cloud has a silver lining, and shortly after Coxy's departure, Town announce the arrival of former Leeds midfielder and Republic of Ireland international Jonathan Douglas.

12: Pre-season begins with a trip to Austria. The Reds kick-off the tour with a 1-1 draw against last season's Champions League giantkillers, FC Cluj.

13: Town make it five signings by adding 22-year-old defender Scott Cuthbert to the defensive ranks. The former Celtic man signs a two-year deal.

28: Cox returns as Town face West Brom in a friendly. Greer scores his first goal for the club with a header in the first half, and it was enough for the Robins to win the game 1-0.

31: Town announce the signing of 20-year-old Polish Under-21 international Jakub Jesionkowski. The youngster joins from Zagłębie Lubin.



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August →

8: The new campaign gets off to a less than auspicious start with a 5-0 reverse against rivals Gillingham at Priestfield. "It couldn't have gone any worse could it?" says Wilson. "I'm completely gobsmacked," he continued. "We've got to now repay the faith the fans have put in us on Tuesday with a performance." They did, and put four past MK Dons in the Carling Cup.

12: Jerel Ifil completes a surprise move north of the border to Aberdeen. The centre-back wasn't involved in Town's Carling Cup victory over the Dons. Four days later The Beast makes his debut. Against Celtic!

14: Town announce the signing of 19-year-old striker Temitope Obadeyi on a one-month loan deal from Bolton Wanderers.

18: Town's opening days blues are banished by one of the wins of the season, a comprehensive 1-0 drubbing of Southampton. Sean Morrison scores in the ninth minute and Town spurn chances to add to the scoreline in a pulsating performance.

25: Town are knocked out of the Carling Cup on penalties at Molineux. The visitors put in a cracking performance against top-flight strugglers Wolves, but Greer's missed spot-kick was enough to end the run.

27: Town continue to reinforce and Celtic duo Simon Ferry and Ben Hutchinson arrive on loan. "Bringing the boys in has been a big lift for everybody," said Wilson. "They're very enthusiastic, really ready for the challenge and excited about coming down."



Ben Hutchinson and Simon Ferry meet the media after joining from Celtic



September →

2: Alex Revell adds more presence to Town's strike-force after joining on loan from Southend. "He's a very good athlete and he's going to be a threat in the box with his height," explained Wilson. "He's a big unit, very mobile and he started for Southend against us on Saturday. He obviously didn't score, but was up against some very good defenders that day," he joked.

8: Town give a trial to youngster Charlie Austin, who bagged 46 goals in 46 games for Poole Town in 2008/09...



October →

2: ... a month later, after impressing for the reserves, Austin seals a permanent switch in a deal until the end of the season, with the option to extend further.


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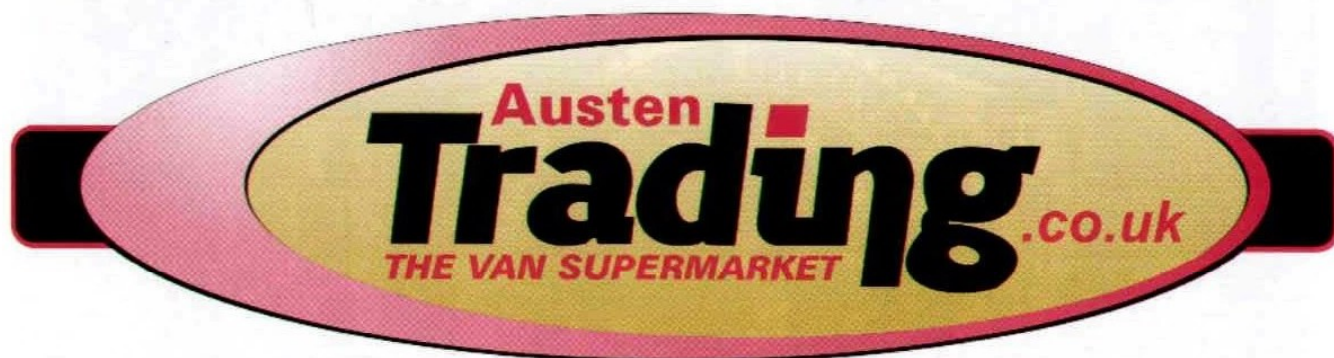
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**November →**

10: Another decent cup performance, another exit on penalties. This time it was at the hands of Norwich, in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy. "It was a cracking game," explained Wilson. "As the second half went on I thought you saw two cracking teams out there and for the last 25 minutes that was us at our best. We were exceptional at times."

14: With Gordon Greer and Scott Cuthbert in scintillating form, Sean Morrison signs a one-month loan deal with Southend United.

21: After making his first appearance from the bench away at Norwich, Austin starts his first game, away at Carlisle... and scores the winner. "It was a great experience," He said. "When I look back I will never forget this moment. If someone asks me when I scored my first goal, I will be able to tell them instantly - away to Carlisle and we won 1-0. Pictures of that will be in my head for a long time."

26: Anthony McNamee joins Norwich on loan. "I saw him (McNamee) play a few years ago when I was at Wycombe in a pre-season friendly against Watford," said Canaries boss Paul Lambert. "I'm glad we have got him in and he gives us another option."

26: Bigger news follows when Town make the following statement on the official website: "The Board of Swindon Town is pleased to confirm



Town Captain Gordon Greer celebrates after scoring the winner at Wrexham

that the issue relating to the loan between St. Modwen Properties plc and Swindon Town Football Company Limited has today been resolved to the full satisfaction of both parties."

27: Alan Sheehan becomes the third player to join from Leeds, albeit on loan. The left-sided player is joined by young striker Darren Ward, who signs on loan from Bolton.

29: Town's reward for beating Wrexham in round two of the FA Cup is an away tie against Fulham. "We couldn't have asked for more," says Wilson. Town fans agree, and more than 5,000 tickets are sold in the next two weeks.

December →

5: Town add to the points tally with a 3-2 victory over Leyton Orient. Austin and Paynter both find the net.

19: The duo do it again in a hard-fought 2-1 win against Gus Poyet's Brighton that sends The Robins sixth with two games in hand. "We are on target for where we want to be," says Wilson. "The squad we have got together at this moment in time have proved that they can live in the top areas, and we've got to continue doing that."

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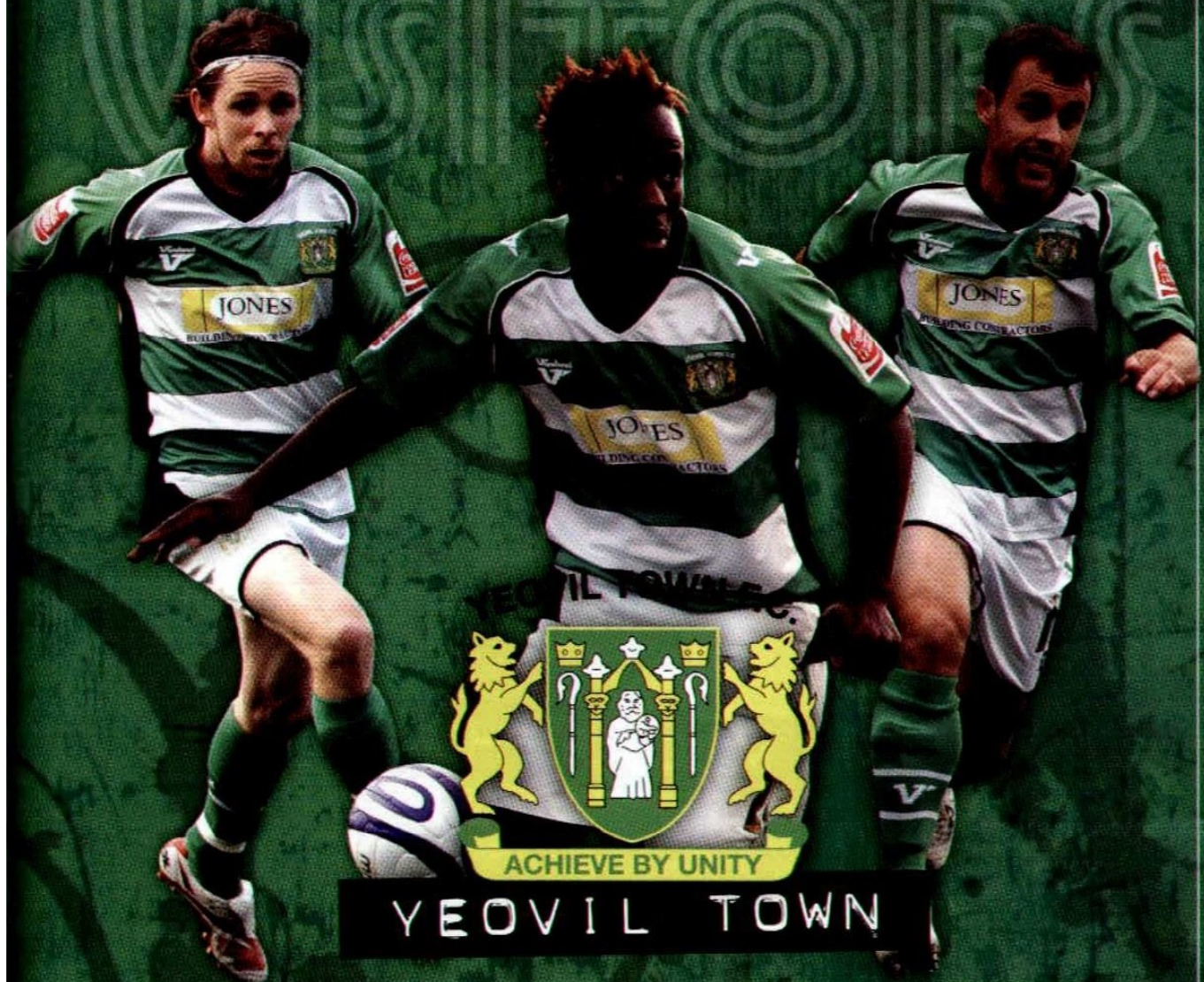
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Although officially titled Player-Manager, Terry Skiverton is yet to make an appearance for The Glovers this term as he takes an overview of affairs at Huish Park.

Skiverton was named as the new man in charge back in February after the club parted company with Russell Slade, who had been in charge since June 2006. This term Skiverton has seen his side defeat Tranmere Rovers, Brentford, Carlisle United, Bristol Rovers and Southend United. Skiverton will hope a positive Christmas run of results can help his side edge away from the lower echelons of League One.

The meeting between the two sides earlier in the campaign at

Huish Park saw The Robins take all three points. It was a tight encounter with an own goal from veteran defender Terrell Forbes just before the break enough to see the three points make their way back to Wiltshire. The game also saw Swindon boss Danny Wilson sent to the stands after protestations following a foul on Leccinel Jean-Francois.

In total there have been only eight meetings between the two teams. Swindon are ahead with four wins whilst The Glovers have triumphed on three occasions. One of the more memorable encounters was a 4-2 win under Andy King's management in 2005 on home turf. Terry Skiverton scored a goal at each end on the

day with further strikes coming from Rory Fallon, on-loan Manchester United winger Colin Heath and Christian Roberts. Also returning to The County Ground today will be Martyn Starnes, a former Chief Executive here at SN1.

Yeovil's danger-man will be on-loan Spurs frontman Jonathan Obika who has found the net on six occasions so far this term. Obika is in his second spell at Huish Park and will hope to spearhead a win for the visitors this afternoon. Former Ipswich striker Dean Bowditch could also feature with four goals to his name, including one in each of the opening two games of the campaign.

our opponents:



YEOVIL TOWN

FACT FILE:

NICKNAME: The Glovers

EST: 1895

GROUND: Huish Park

CAPACITY: 9,665

RECORD VICTORY:

10 - 0 v Kidderminster Harriers,
Southern League, 27/12/1955

RECORD LOSS:

0 - 8 v Man U, FA Cup 5th rd,
12/02/1949

RECORD FEE RECEIVED:

£75,000: Mark Shail Bristol City

RECORD FEE PAID:

£25,000: Michael McIndoe
Hereford February 2001

GOALS IN A SEASON:

Dave Taylor, 59,
Southern League 1960-61

THE SQUAD:

- 1 Alex McCarthy
- 2 Craig Alcock
- 3 Nathan Jones
- 4 Stefan Stam
- 5 Steven Caulker
- 6 Terrell Forbes
- 7 George O'Callaghan
- 8 Keiran Murtagh
- 9 Sam Williams
- 10 Gavin Tomlin
- 11 Andrew Welsh
- 12 Darren Way
- 13 Ryan Mason
- 14 Deah Bowditch
- 15 Richard Martin
- 16 Scott Murray
- 17 Aiden Downes
- 18 Andy Lindegaard
- 21 Jean Paul Kalala
- 23 Danny Hutchins
- 24 Terry Skiverton
- 25 Shaun MacDonald
- 26 Jon Obika
- 28 Nathan Smith
- 32 Andre McCollin
- 33 Ben Roberts



MCCARTHY

Alex McCarthy came to Huish Park in July 2009. The 19-year-old from Reading joined on a loan agreement until the January transfer window.

The tall, confident keeper came through the academy set-up at the Madejski Stadium and has gained valuable experience through completing loan spells with Woking, Cambridge United, Team Bath and Aldershot Town.

The young stopper has trained with the England Under-19 squad and this season has been called up three times into the England Under-21 squad but has yet to start a full game for his country. He kept a clean sheet on his Glovers debut in the opening debut with his new club enjoying a 2-0 success over Tranmere Rovers, then managed by John Barnes.

MCDONALD

The 21-year-old midfielder spent a month on loan with the Glovers last season scoring twice in four games

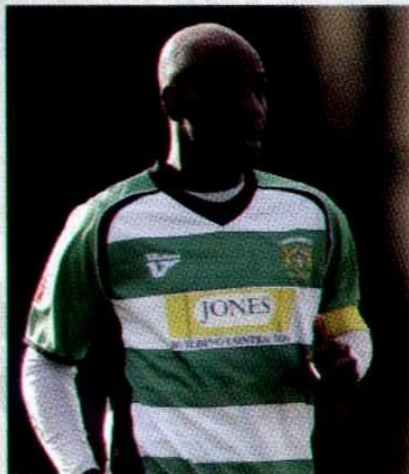
before returning to the Liberty Stadium in February.

His month at Yeovil included three wins from four games and "Mac" scored on his debut against Huddersfield and also at Peterborough. He returned to Swansea and featured in three

Championship last term following his return to Swansea.

The middle man came up through the youth ranks at Swansea and made his debut at the tender age of seventeen in the League Cup. He made more than forty appearances for the Swans before coming to Huish Park in January 2009.

In addition, he has played at under-19 and under-21 level for Wales and three months ago received a call up to the full Welsh squad for the World Cup qualifier against Azerbaijan in Baku. He was an unused sub in the game.



FORBES

The centre-back joined Yeovil back in the summer of 2006 as one of Russell Slade's first signings. The pair had previously worked together at Grimsby Town.

The classy defender started his career at West Ham playing in the same youth set-up as Michael Carrick and Joe Cole. Two seasons there saw him miss out on making a first team appearance though he did play three games for Bournemouth whilst out on loan.

He left Upton Park and made the journey across London to Queens Park Rangers where he was a popular figure winning the Player of the Year award there. The following season he helped his team to automatic promotion into the Championship. Two months into the new season, he departed Loftus Road and made the long trip up to Grimsby Town where he stayed for one season before crossing the country and signing on for Oldham Athletic.

Russell Slade then signed him halfway through a two-year deal at Boundary Park and since then, his consistent displays at centre-half have made him an invaluable part of the defence. He scored an own goal in the previous meeting between Town and Yeovil earlier in the campaign.

KALALA

Jean-Paul Kalala recently signed a short-term contract with the club until the end of 2009 after returning to Huish

Park for a second spell. He spent a one-season stay earlier in his career, the same year that Yeovil reached the play-off final.

JP, as he is known, began his career at Nice and came over to the UK signing for Grimsby Town spending a season at Blundell Park.

He joined Yeovil and scored one goal in his 41 appearances previously but had an inadvertent hand in Yeovil's second leg play-off semi final victory over Nottingham Forest. His shot rebounded off a post and defender Alan Wright to bring the score back to 3-2 on aggregate. He left the Glovers and joined Oldham Athletic for two seasons which included a loan spell-back at Grimsby Town before he was released last season.

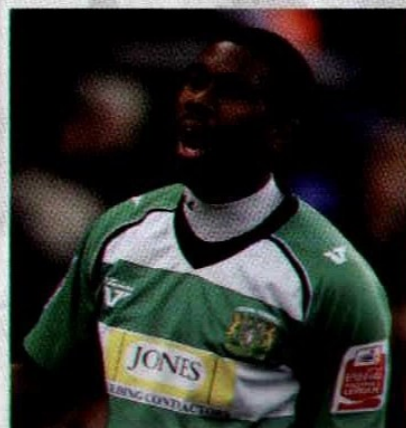
Kalala received his marching orders against Gillingham 11 minutes from time although returned to action for the trip to MK Dons at the start of the month.

TOMLIN

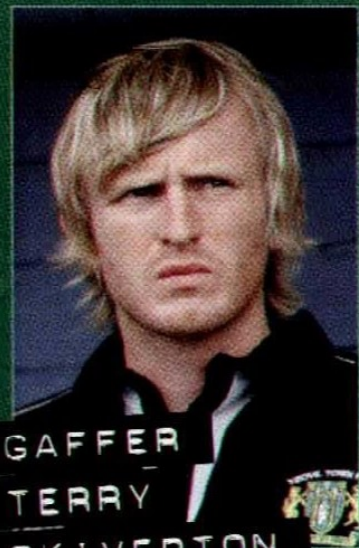
Tomlin is a former non-league player who is a versatile player equally adept at either playing up front, out wide or behind the front two.

He signed for Yeovil in July 2008 from Fisher Athletic for whom he had enjoyed a prolific season, previously scoring 24 goals in total. The frontman began his career at Aylesbury United and also had spells with Staines Town, St Albans, Yeading and Windsor & Eton before moving into the professional ranks of the Football League with Brentford.

After making 13 appearances for the Griffin Park team, he joined Fisher Athletic where he played in the same team as fellow Glovers Keiran Murtagh and Andre McCollin.



our opponents:



GAFFER TERRY SKIVERTON

Terry Skiverton has been Yeovil's player-manager since February 2009 when he succeeded previous manager Russell Slade.

His early career was spent in London where he was a trainee at Chelsea. He didn't make the first team there and spent a period on loan at Wycombe Wanderers before making the move permanent.

After two seasons at Adams Park, he dropped out of League football and joined Welling United, enjoying a spell in the limelight as a cast member on Sky One's Dream Team.

Yeovil Manager Colin Lippiatt signed the defender for Yeovil and he was soon made captain and he helped helped Yeovil into the Football League for the first time scoring six times along the way as the Glovers romped away with the Conference title. He almost captained the side to two consecutive promotions as the first League season ended with the team missing out on the play-offs by goal difference.

Another promotion was achieved the following season though by winning League Two and Terry had his third winners' medal in just four seasons.

The disappointment of the 2007 Play-Off final was only slightly softened by his selection in the PFA League One Team of the Year.



CLUB CONNECTIONS

THEY PLAYED FOR US BOTH

RORY FALLON



Joined Town:
November 2003

Apps/Goals:
75/21

Joined Yeovil:
February 2005

Apps/Goals: 6/1

WAYNE GRAY



Joined Town:
March 2000

Apps/Goals:
12/2

Joined Yeovil:
June 2006

Apps/Goals: 46/11

ALEX MEECHAN



Joined Town:
August 1997

Apps/Goals:
1/0

Joined Yeovil:
November 2000

Apps/Goals: 1/0

KEVIN AMANKWAH

Joined Town: June 2007

Apps/Goals: 51/4

Joined Yeovil: February 2005

Apps/Goals: 53/1

Kevin Amankwaah takes on his former club this afternoon and will be keen to play his part in a home victory over The Glovers.

Amankwaah first joined the Huish Park outfit on loan in February 2005 and after impressing during his temporary stay, made the move permanent the following month. A move to Swansea City then followed before he joined the ranks at Swindon in the closed season of 2007. The London-born defender has made the right-back slot his own under Town boss Danny Wilson and has been the only ever present so far this term. To find out more about our number 15, turn to the centre pages of today's matchday programme.

One player who has hit the headlines recently is striker Rory Fallon. Whilst fans will be aware of the New Zealander's recent exploits for his country – supporters may not realise the front man once had a loan spell with Yeovil during a barren spell in front of goal at The County Ground. Fallon took up the option of a loan move to the then League Two

outfit and scored on his debut for The Glovers in a 4-3 home win over Scunthorpe United. The game saw Kevin Amankwaah join the action as an 82nd minute substitute.

Goalkeepers Steve Mildenhall and Jon Sheffield have both had spells with both of today's clubs. Mildenhall is still in League One with Southend United, whilst Sheffield played in the Premier League for The Robins in 1994. He became the first ever player to wear the number 40 shirt in a top-flight fixture when playing for Swindon against Aston Villa.

STEVE MILDENHALL



Joined Town:
August 1995

Apps/Goals: 33/0

Joined Yeovil:
June 2006

Apps/Goals: 75/0

GUILIANO GRAZIOLI



Joined Town:
June 1999

Apps/Goals: 78/18

Joined Yeovil:
November 1995

Apps/Goals: 11/15

JON SHEFFIELD



Joined Town:
January 1994

Apps/Goals: 2/0

Joined Yeovil:
July 2001

Apps/Goals: 22/0

CHARLIE GRIFFIN



Joined Town:
February 1999

Apps/Goals: 28/2

Joined Yeovil:
October 1999

Apps/Goals: 3/1



JONATHAN OBIKA

STAR MAN

Jonathan Chiedozie Obika is enjoying a second loan spell at Huish Park on loan from Premier League side Tottenham Hotspur.

The striker is a product of the Spurs youth system and was top scorer for the academy side in season 2007/08.

He was rewarded for his progress with a place on the bench against NEC Nijmegen in the UEFA Cup last season and made an appearance that night. He also played the full ninety minutes against Shaktar Donetsk later in the competition.

Season 2008/09 was a great season for Jonathan as he scored seventeen goals for Tottenham in the under-18 and reserve sides and this secured him his first loan move to Yeovil in March. His four goals in ten games helped to keep The Glovers in League One.

After a successful first temporary stint he returned to Huish Park in August 2009 on a three-month loan deal and he has fired in six goals to date.



His first strike of the campaign came in the 3-3 home draw with Yeovil Town. He played ninety minutes in the earlier meeting between Yeovil and The Robins in early September.

Obika was called up to represent England in the Under 20 World Cup tournament hosted in Egypt in late September 2009. The striker featured in the first two games against Ghana and Uruguay before returning to League One action.

Away from football, Obika is the cousin of singer and former Fame Academy contestant, Lemar.



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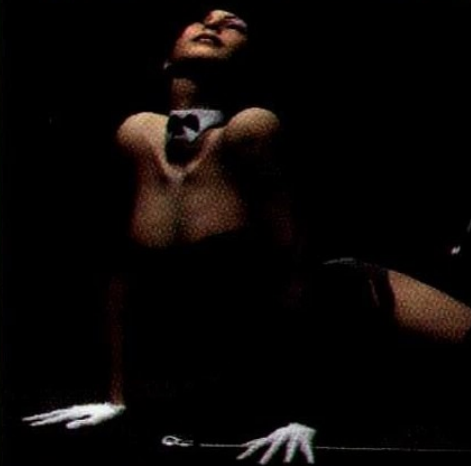
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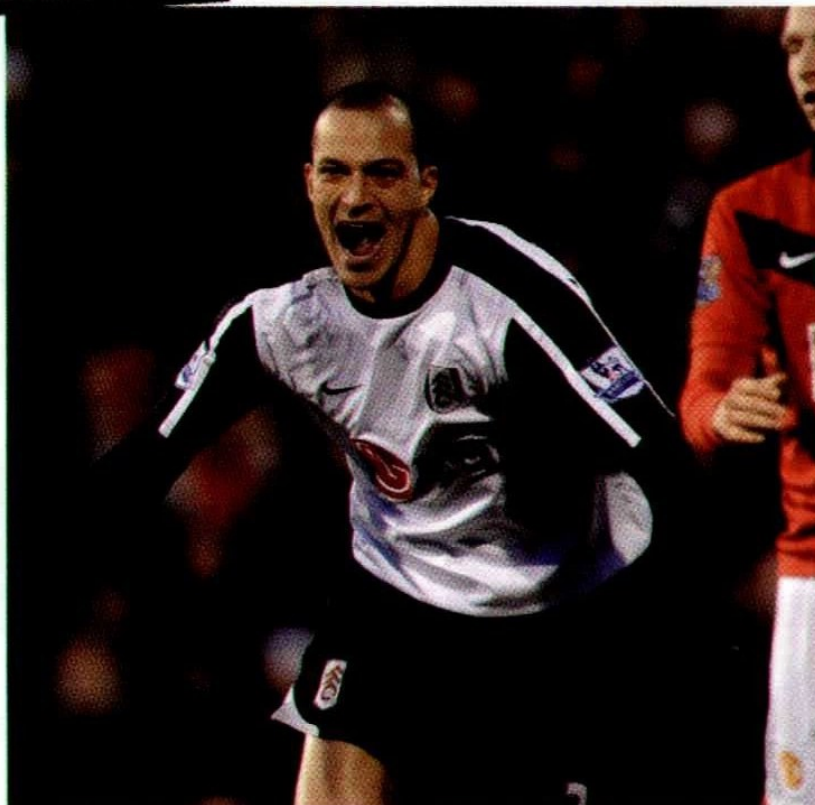
Question of the Day, as posed to me by e-mail as we beat Brighton here in the final fixture before Christmas:

Question: "Charlie - five goals in five starts. Would he have scored in every game if he had played for 90 minutes at Bristol Rovers?" from Nigel in Chippenham.

Answer: Who knows, but he's certainly made an impressive start to his Football League career, forming a noteworthy partnership with Billy Paynter who recently described him as 'Johnny on the spot' in a post-match interview.

The unanswerable question I floated in response, would the 1990 Wembley play-off-winning team have lasted longer in the top-flight than their 1993 counterparts. I was surprised by the strident view of commentator Vic Morgan in immediate response: "Absolutely yes," reasoning that the gulf between clubs grew a great deal over just those three years. Tactically, Ossie Ardiles' famous diamond formation for the Town at that time pre-dated his five-man attack for Tottenham Hotspur and probably achieved better results!

With proper answers, we present 'A Question of Swindon Town' on BBC Wiltshire after 6pm on this Holiday Monday (28th), hoping to celebrate three more points with victory over Yeovil Town but spend most of the time reflecting on the past 12 months, the players, the goals, the stats!



"He's certainly made an impressive start to his Football League career, forming a noteworthy partnership with Billy Paynter."



Then we're looking forward to the FA Cup tie at Fulham whose striker Bobby Zamora is 'one that got away' from Swindon!

If that game counts as part of the extended Christmas programme, could this still be appropriate to echo around our part of Craven Cottage, adapted from a text contribution to our Saturday Sport programme:

*Jingle bells
All is swell
Swindon win again
Austin scores to make it five
(or six/seven/eight!)
Soon he will have 10!
Oh jingle bells jingle bells etc.*

Swindon Town 2 Brighton & Hove Albion



Team Line-Ups

Swindon:

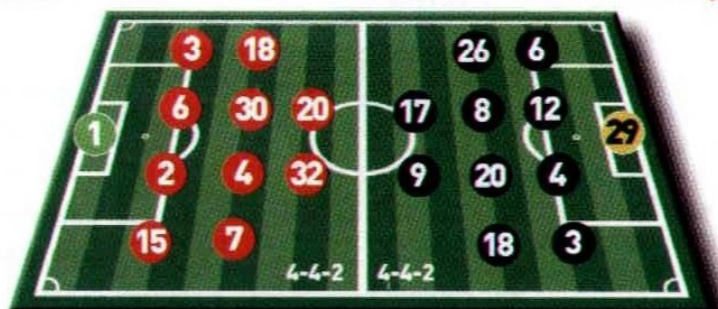
- 1 David Lucas
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- 2 Scott Cuthbert
- 6 Gordon Greer
- 3 Alan Sheehan
- 7 Jon-Paul McGovern
- 4 Jonathan Douglas
- 30 Simon Ferry
- 18 Alan O'Brien '74
- 32 Charlie Austin
- 20 Billy Paynter

Substitutes:

- 25 Mark Marshall
- 12 Phil Smith
- 10 Michael Timlin '74
- 19 Leconsinel Jean-Francois '24
- 31 Alex Revell
- 24 Daniel Ward
- 22 Lloyd Macklin



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Attendance: 7,068 (513)
Referee: J Moss



Swindon Town 2 (Paynter (pen) '31, Austin '54) Brighton & Hove Albion 1 (Forster '38)

Brighton:

- Peter Brezovan 29
- Adam El-Abd 6
- '67 James Tunnicliffe 12
- Tommy Elphick 4
- Jim McNulty 3
- Elliott Bennett 26
- '67 Alan Navarro 8
- Andrew Crofts 20
- Gary Dicker 18
- '84 Glenn Murray 17
- Nicky Forster 9

Substitutes:

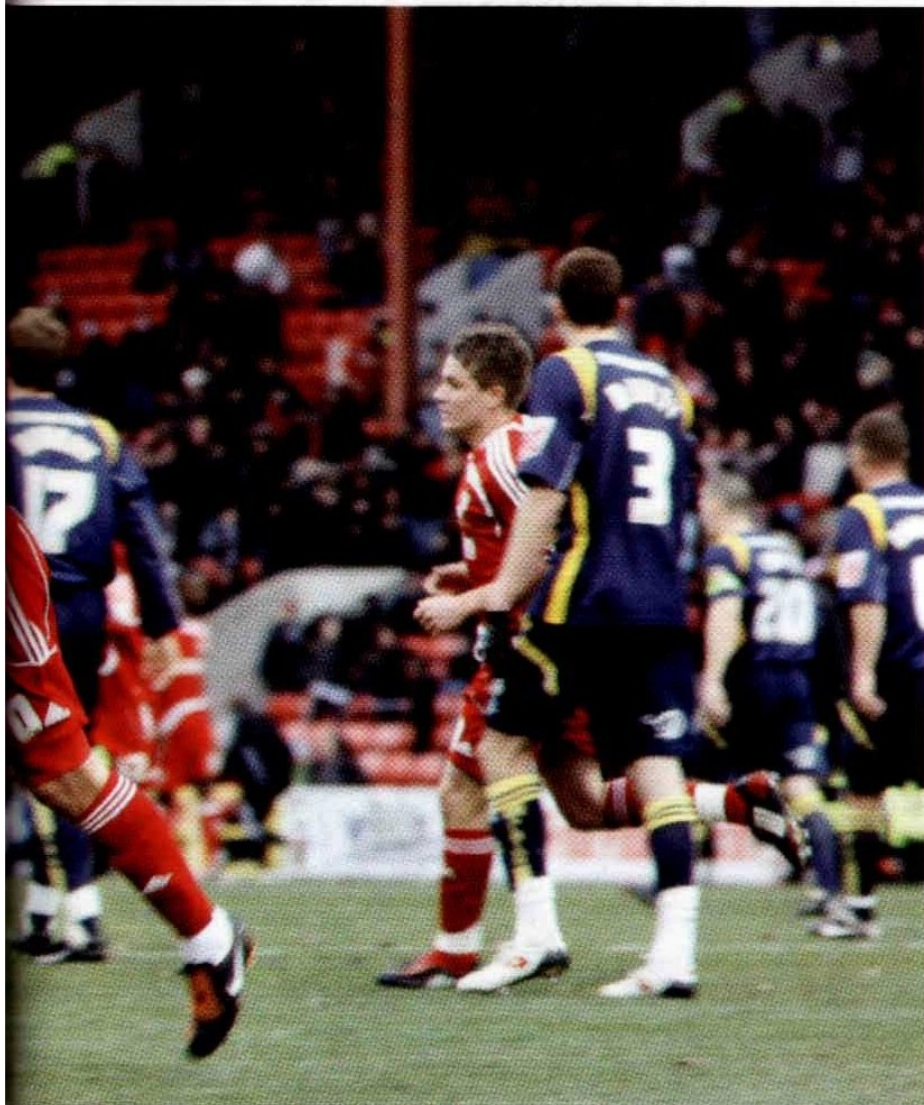
- '84 Craig Davies 25
- Michel Kuipers 1
- '67 Dean Cox 7
- '67 Liam Dickinson 10
- Gary Hart 15
- Adam Virgo 23
- Gavin Hoyte 27



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Key Moments

16

Former Town keeper Peter Brezovan is called into action to palm away a low drive from midfielder Jonathan Douglas.

24

Danny Wilson makes an early change with Kevin Amankwaah unable to continue with a stomach bug and is replaced by Leccsinel Jean-Francois.

31

Jim McNulty's shove on Billy Paynter inside the box results in a penalty with the Town striker sliding the ball down the middle to open the scoring.

38

Elliott Bennett's first-time cross finds veteran frontman Nicky Forster inside the box and he makes no mistake to level the affair with a header.

42

The Robins almost regain the lead with Alan Sheehan's 25-yard free-kick striking the angle of post and bar before rebounding away.

54

Swindon score a well-worked second with J-P McGovern's driven cross finding Charlie Austin who stoops to head home his fifth goal in as many games.

Post-Match

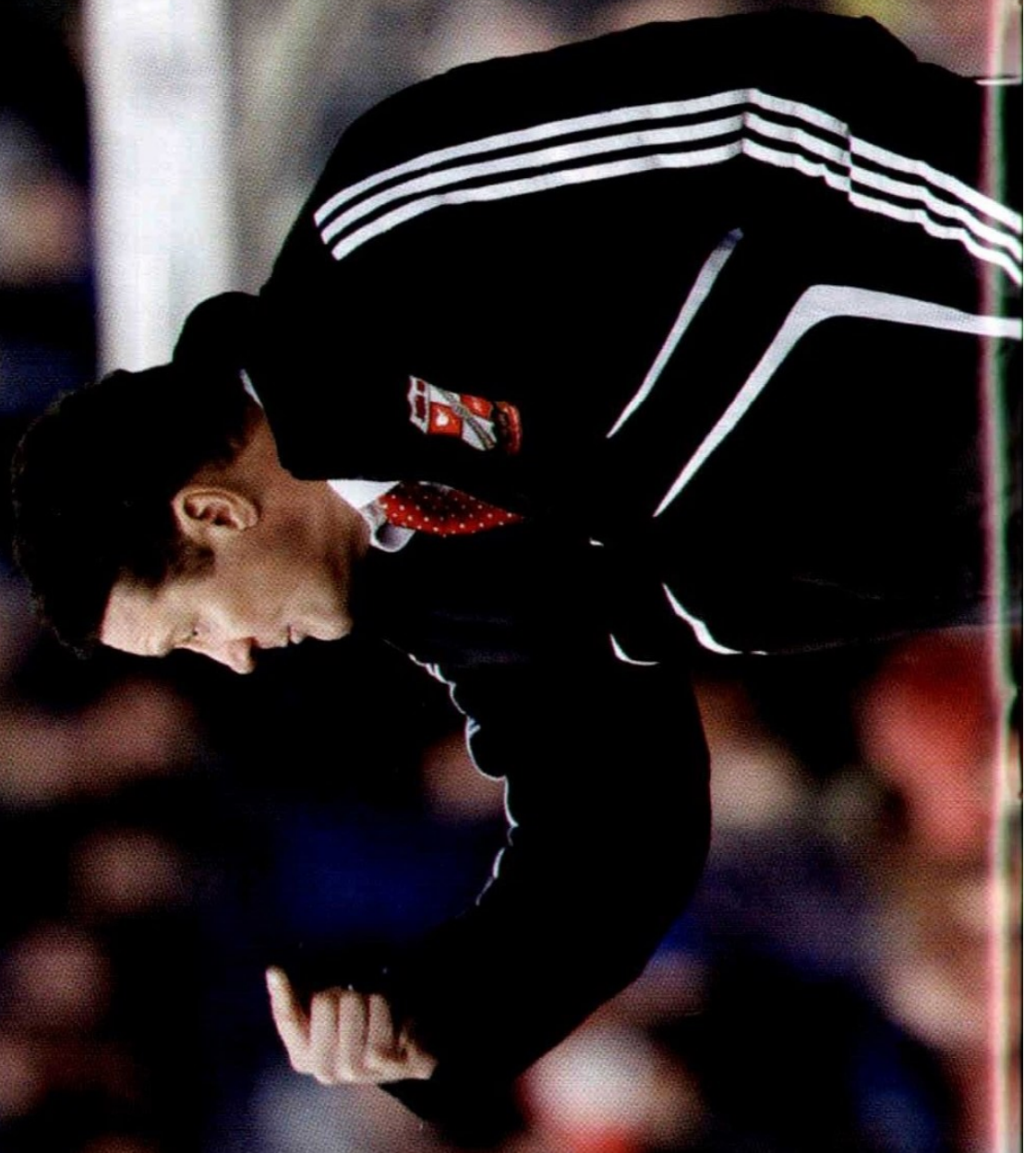


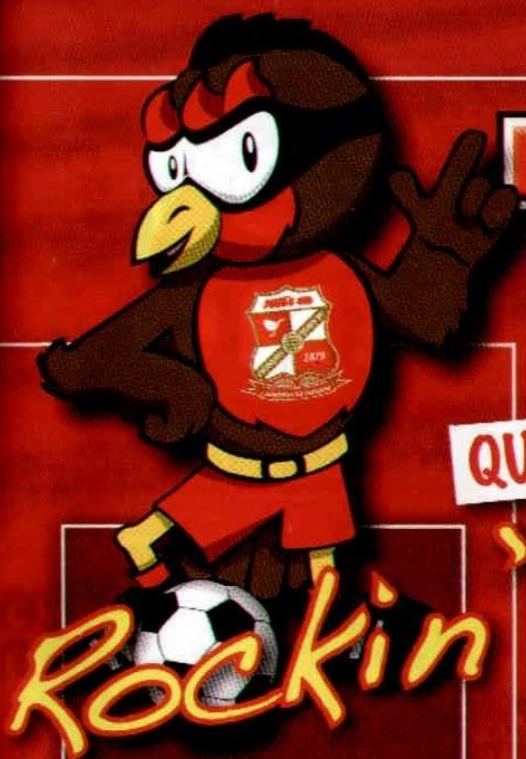
"Brighton gave us a real test and it was not easy at times but we did enough to win and I'm delighted with that. It was a fantastic gate today, because on the last weekend before Christmas the crowd usually dwindle a bit, but it was great to see them come out to see us today. We've proved that we can stay in the top area and we've got to keep doing that."

Danny Wilson



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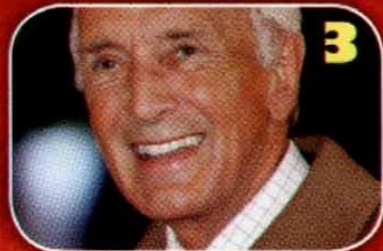


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ANSWERS: 1 Alan Parry, 2 Andy Gray, 3 Barry Davies, 4 John Motson.

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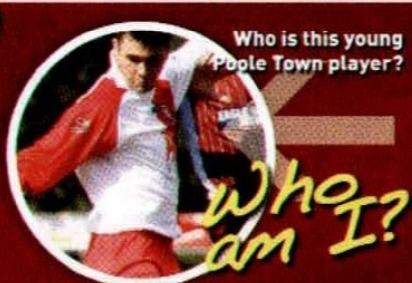
A few weeks ago, I was worried about the peril of Terry at Christmas, and that I was trying to cling on to my banjo-playing poultry pal. Well, I'm glad to say that Terry pulled through and has made it without a whiff of turkey curry!

Now, Terry the Turkey is an avid fan of Swindon, and has a brother, Trevor, who would also love to come and see the Town play, but spends his afternoons playing in a band. He's the drummer and has a fantastic set of drumsticks! Terry and I sit next to each other at home games, and have noticed that there is a spare seat next to us every week. I tried to buy a ticket for the seat, so Trevor could come along too. "Sorry," said Box Office Brian, "That seat has been sold." Then today, much to the amazement of Terry and I the seat has been taken for the first time this season. I couldn't resist asking the newcomer, 'Where have you been all season'. Don't ask he said, the Wife bought the Season Ticket back last summer, and kept it for a surprise Christmas present!

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Name the team from the 1992/93 Season



Crazy Kits! Birmingham City Who am I? Charlie Austin



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Kevin Amankwaah

Real name:

Kevin Osei-Kuffour Amankwaah

Nickname: 'Manks'

Position: Right-back

Born: Park Royal, London

Former Clubs:



Boots:

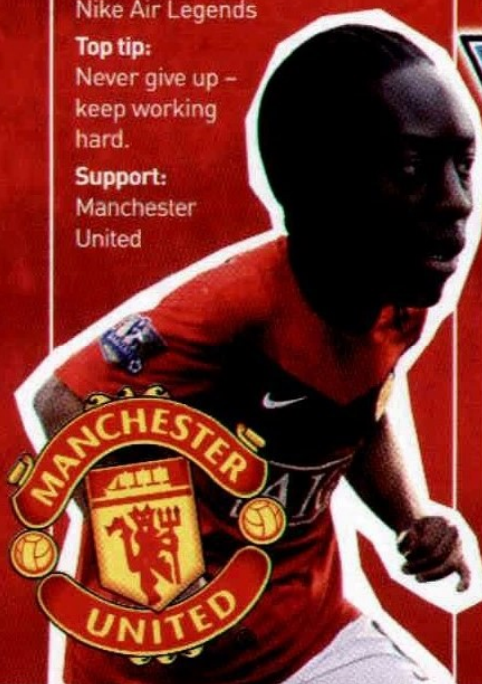
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Top tip:

Never give up - keep working hard.

Support:

Manchester United



Guess Who?

Can you name the former Town striker who was signed by Andy King before the start of Town's last play-off campaign?



Answer: Jon Stevenson

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Fulham manager Roy Hodgson has stressed the Barclays Premier League is still his priority.

Fringe players were brought in to face CSKA Sofia ahead of the Barclays Premier League match against Sunderland and Hodgson again plans to rotate his squad as he continues to focus on the domestic scene.

"The Premier League is the major concern and the Europa League comes second to that," Hodgson said. "I don't think the fans will hold anything against us for our performances in this competition."

Gettin know

Dick Mac

Fears...

When I was younger I used to be frightened of the water. I learnt to swim at around fourteen or fifteen and had to confront my fears. I didn't like flying either when I was younger, but that's not so much of a problem now. Rats are another pet-hate, as are heights. All fairly common human frailties!



Possession...

My mobile phone is probably the one thing I couldn't live without. Keeping in touch with players and management is important - especially where injuries are concerned.

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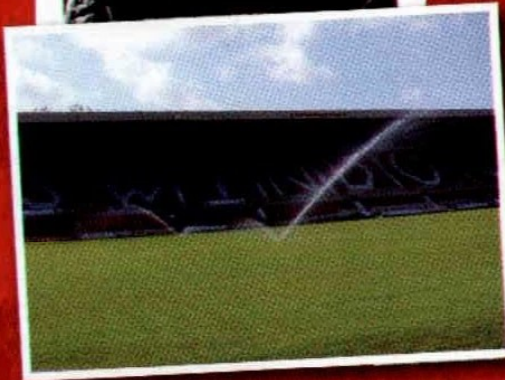
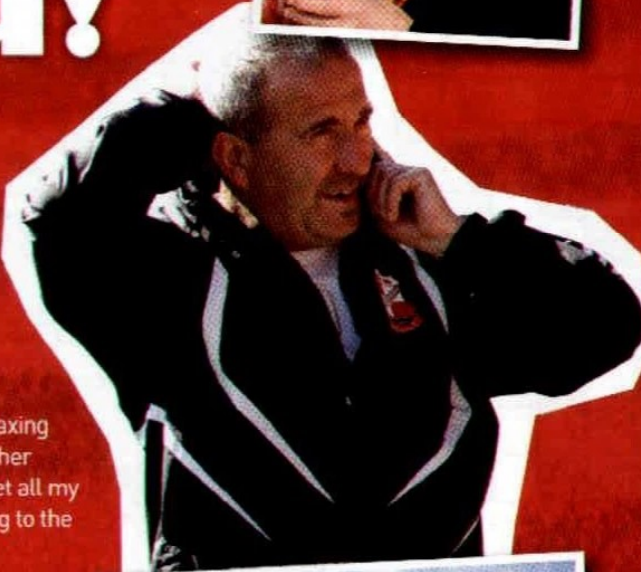
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Hobbies...

I read a bit although not as often as I would like to. I also enjoy gardening – it is quite pleasant and relaxing too. Radio is also another favourite of mine – I get all my trivia from the listening to the airwaves!

Year Highlight...

The overall improvement on the pitch has been the real highlight. The results have steadily improved and another win against Yeovil would make it a fantastic finish to the year.



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SAY WHAT?

Send your captions to programme@swindontownfc.co.uk and you could have your caption published in the next edition! The winning entry will also receive a programme signed by the first team squad.



This afternoon we offer a warm welcome to all the Junior Glovers who have made the trip to The County Ground today.

Christmas Photo's

With festive celebrations in the air we would like to receive more of your Christmas photo's!

Whether you received a new home, away or third shirt for Christmas - we would like you to send in your snaps for our fans' gallery.

You may also have pictures from the Christmas party which saw Yinka Casal, Danny Ward, Mark Marshall and Simon Ferry take time out to join in the fun.

If you have some great pictures of the party please send them into programme@swindontownfc.co.uk

Fulham trip

The Junior Robins will be running a coach for the FA Cup trip to Fulham this weekend.

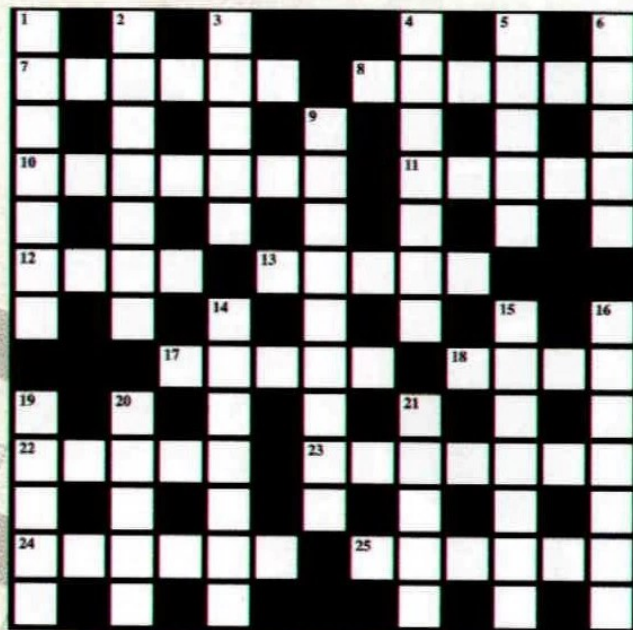
I know all supporters have been looking forward to the game and with nineteen coaches running, there should be a special atmosphere at Craven Cottage!

A reminder that the Junior Robins coach for the game will be leaving The County Ground at 11am. Don't be late because this will be a game not to be missed! Remember to pack your camera for those fans' photo's for the next programme.

It has been a good year for the Junior Robins with a number of successful away trips and there will be more on the way next year.

I hope everyone has a great New Year and here's hoping we kick-off 2010 with a win against Premier League opposition!

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ACROSS

- 7 From Man Utd to Real to Marseilles (6)
 8 Bolton defender called up for England's World Cup qualifiers (6)
 10 Everton's promising teenager at the back or in midfield (7)
 11 England's tenth highest international goalscorer (5)
 12 Motor racing legend who recently turned 80 (4)
 13 Matthew ____, Boro's promising young centre back (5)
 17 Ex Derby and WBA (amongst others) keeper now on loan at Darlington (5)
 18 Sent off in their 3-1 defeat by Wigan (4)
 22 This Town recently dispensed with Mick Harford's services as manager (5)
 23 Sacked with John Barnes at Tranmere (7)
 24 This Road was one of the eight Euro 96 venues (6)
 25 Preston's manager (6)

DOWN

- 1 Derby County's nickname (3,4)
 2 Hull legend recently sacked with Todd at Darlington (7)
 3 Mexico's national soccer Stadium (5)
 4 Nii ____, Ghanaian child prodigy who Big Ron signed for both Villa and Coventry (7)
 5 Serie A's Rossoneri (5)
 6 Jason ____, British Touring Car champ who co-presents Channel 5's Fifth Gear (5)
 9 Beefy's South African mate who played 79 Tests for England (5,4)
 14 Big money close season signing yet to play for Villa (7)
 15 Watford's US centre back and captain (7)
 16 Laurent ____, French right back once of Chelsea, Newcastle and Man City (7)
 19 The ____ of Cardiff, Auckland and Bedford (5)
 20 Scored a late equalizer against Ireland in World Cup qualifying (5)
 21 Youngest player to have played 300 Premier League games (5)

THE KNOWLEDGE



QUESTION 1:

In which year was Mr Blobby the UK Christmas number one song?

1991.

1994.

Answer: 1993



QUESTION 2:

The Christmas tree on display in Trafalgar square in London is an annual gift to the UK from which country?

Norway.

Norway.

Answer: Norway



QUESTION 3:

Whilst out Christmas shopping who suddenly finds himself an "Enemy of the State" in the 1998 film of the same name?

Will Smith.

Will Smith.

Answer: Will Smith



QUESTION 4:

Where did Town play on Boxing Day 2008?

Leyton Orient.

My old club... Orient!

Answer: Leyton Orient



QUESTION 5:

In which year was "Feed the World" released for the second time in time for Christmas and sung by Band Aid II?

1998.

1998.

Answer: 1989



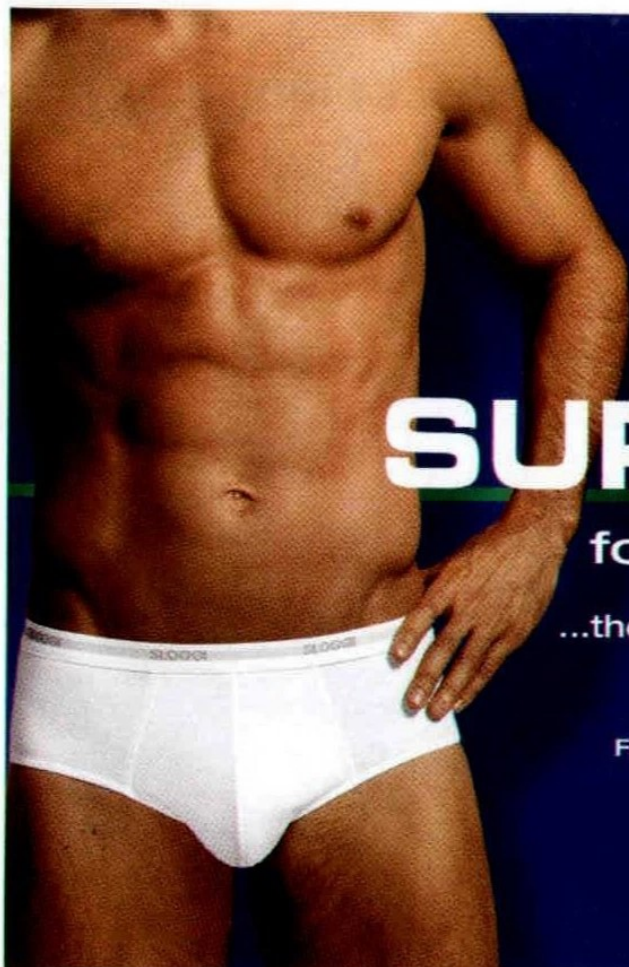
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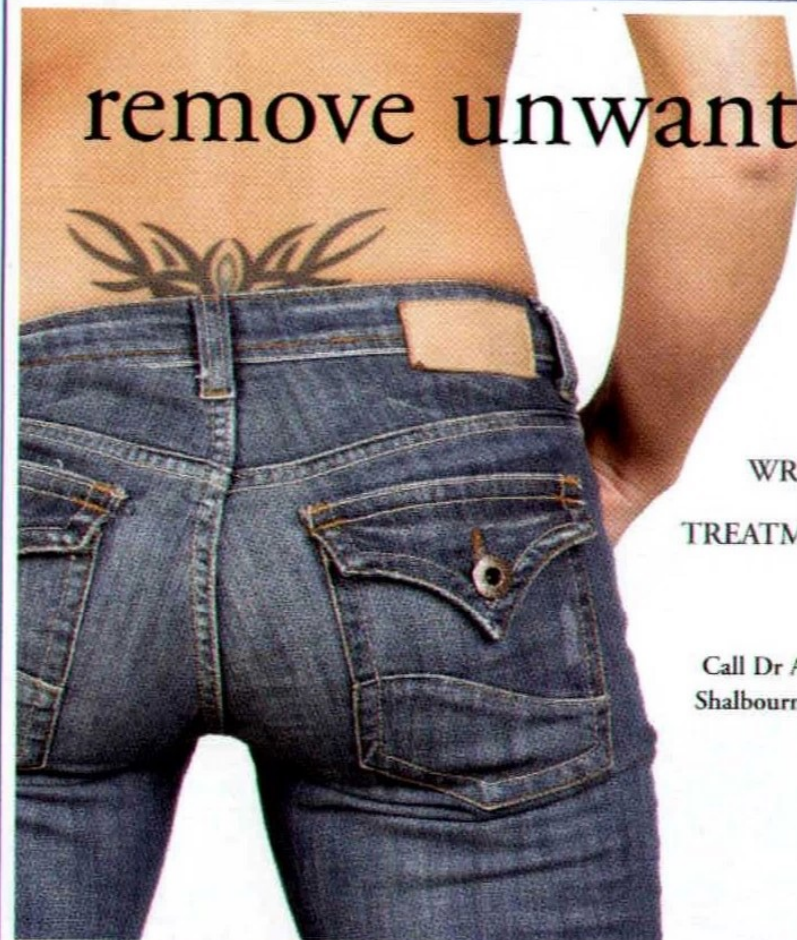
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Talking Shop

The STFC Superstore is almost unrecognisable following a series of changes. Head of Retail Clare Haworth has made a significant impact since joining The Robins and we find out a little more about the woman who puts the shirt on your back...

Name: Clare Haworth
Job Title: Head of Retail
Year Joined: 2008

How did the role at Swindon Town come about and where were you working before?

I was working for Ernest Jones in Swindon, where I had been for three years when I got a call from a Sports Recruitment Agency. They asked me if I would be interested in working for a football club and then I found out about the opportunity here at Swindon. Being a football fan I jumped at the chance of joining such a progressive club. Being based in Swindon the location was ideal and it provided me with a new challenge.

What were the most challenging aspects of the job when you first came in?

To make the shop look more desirable to the customer. From a retail perspective the lay-out of the shop was incorrect and needed addressing pretty quickly. There was also an urgent need to increase the range of products available as at the time of joining there was only seven weeks left until Christmas. Nothing had been ordered so time was of the essence!

Matchdays must be pretty manic, how busy does it get?!

Very! We open the store at 10am and we sometimes get up to 200 children visiting almost at once as part of the Football in the Community Saturday Team Club scheme. They often visit soon after opening and return around half eleven. Once they have been in and out, stock has to be replenished before the real rush starts for the game. At around one o'clock supporters start arriving and with new products arriving all the time, customers return regularly so they don't miss out on the offerings.



What are the best and worst aspects of the job?

Matchdays are the best and worst part of the job. I love all the anticipation building up to the games – the excitement amongst the fans generates a really good atmosphere in the shop and a home win makes everything worth it! The worst part is when the result doesn't go our way and seeing the disappointment on fans' faces after a game. Hopefully today will have a happy ending for all!

The STFC Online Shop was launched a year ago, how much of a success has that been?

The success showed almost immediately. There are Town fans across the globe and the orders soon started coming in from places like Australia and Brazil! This Christmas the online shop has proved hugely popular with a large volume of orders being placed! The merchandise catalogue is available to view online and is available to collect from the club shop for gift ideas in 2010.



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TOWN VS YEOVIL TOWN

Words: Dave Wallis

Roll Of Honour

Champions - Premier League
Chelsea



Champions - Championship
Reading

Champions - League One
Southend United

Champions - League Two
Carlisle United

FA Cup FINAL

Liverpool 3 West Ham United 3
(Liverpool won 3-1 on penalties)



League Cup FINAL

Manchester United 4
Wigan Athletic 0



Match Background

It was still August when Yeovil visited The County Ground for our first ever League encounter, and the away team went one up in 25 seconds as **Pablo Bastianini** fired past on-loan keeper **Tom Heaton**. Present Yeovil manager **Terry Skiverton** diverted a **Gareth Whalley** cross into his own net 22 minutes later to gift Swindon an equaliser.

Further strikes from **Rory Fallon** and second Old Trafford loanee **Colin Heath** gave us a two goal cushion, and Heaton stopped a 74th minute penalty from **Lee Johnson** to preserve the gap. As the game entered the final five minutes Skivvy made amends for his early faux pas by reducing Yeovil's deficit, but **Christian Roberts** stepped up to net the last goal in the last minute to give us a 4-2 win.

Football Snippets

August sees **Michael Owen** sign for Newcastle United for £17m, and **Rio Ferdinand** signs a deal at Manchester United that earns him £100,000 a week. In contrast, October sees the death of **Johnny Haynes**, the first footballer to earn £100 a week.



Other losses during the season include **George Best** in November at the age of 59, Ex-England boss and West Ham United legend **Ron Greenwood** in February, and a month later Chelsea star striker **Peter Osgood**.



In December a very brief reign as manager of Kettering is ended when **Paul Gascoigne** is sacked. February sees the same fate befall **Graeme Souness** at Newcastle.

In May, **Steve McLaren** is



the swindon years:

They Served Us Both

Kevin Amankwaah

Leigh Barnard

Paul Batty

Rory Fallon

Wayne Gray

Giuliano Grazioli

Charlie Griffin

Stan Harland

Terry Hubbard

Alex Meechan

Steve Mildenhall

Jamie Pitman

Chris Porter

Howard Pritchard

Kevin Roberts

Don Rogers

John Sheffield

Jamie Vincent



announced as **Sven Goran Eriksson's** successor in charge of England, and **Dennis Wise** arrives at The County Ground with **Gus Poyet** as Town's new managerial duo.

The World That Season

In July, London is awarded the honour of hosting the 2012 Olympics and **Bob Geldoff** stages the Live 8 concert.

In August the first **Space Shuttle** flight since the Columbia disaster in 2003 is successfully completed. In the USA, **Hurricane Katrina** hits New Orleans, causing huge disruption.

October brings the news of the death of comic genius **Ronnie Barker**.

December sees a huge fire at a fuel depot in **Buncefield**, described as the largest fire in the UK since World War II.



A **bottle nosed whale** defies rescuers' efforts and dies in the Thames estuary in January, and in politics, **Charles Kennedy** resigns as head of the Lib Dems.



More than 1,000 people drown as an **Egyptian ferry** sinks in the Red Sea in February.

Manchester United announce a new £56m sponsorship deal in April and it is discovered that a swan in Scotland is suffering from **bird flu**.

Season Outcome For Both Clubs

Between the two games Swindon parted company with boss Andy King. A 3-2 home defeat by Bradford City in September put paid to the boss' second spell in charge at The County Ground, and by the time the two Towns met in the Spring, Iffy Onuora held the Swindon Town reins.

Ultimately the change at the top made little difference as we slumped

into the basement division at the end of the season with a 23rd place finish.

Yeovil fared better with their highest ever finish, clinching 15th place in League One under Steve Thompson. By the start of 2006/07, both teams were led by new men once more, Swindon opting for Dennis Wise and Yeovil employing Russell Slade.



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"Town striker Iffy Onuora tries to hold the ball up in freezing conditions at Vale Park in January 1999. The Robins secured all three points on the day thanks to a ninth minute strike from George Ndah in front of 5,405." **Dave Evans**



classic moment
Iffy Onuora

MANA

This time last year, Danny Wilson was officially unveiled as the new manager of Swindon Town. Now, at the half way point in the season, the manager took time out to look back on his first year in the Town hot seat.

Words: Chris Smith

When Danny Wilson stepped into the breach left by Maurice Malpas on Boxing Day last year, Town's beleaguered squad were flirting with the League One relegation places.

A year on almost to the day, The Robins are now firmly in the play off shake up, and have an FA Cup Third Round tie at Fulham to look forward to this Saturday.

Despite masterminding this impressive turnaround on the pitch, Wilson himself believes a lot of the credit for the club's recent success should go to the consortium led by Chairman Andrew Fitton who saved the club from extinction in January 2008.

He said: "It has gone pretty well for me so far, but you have to tip your hat to the owners.

"Andrew (Fitton), Jeremy (Wray) and the other board members have supported the club, and brought it to the position it is in now.

"We wanted to be in an area in January where we might be challenging for the play offs, and we look like we've got a decent chance of doing that which is great."

Wilson started last season as manager at League One rivals Hartlepool United, but when he left Victoria Park in mid-December, the Town board wasted little time in making their move-ridding him of his worries about the club's chequered past in the process.

As he describes: "I think it was within two or three days of leaving Hartlepool that I got a phone call from Nick Watkins, asking if I would like to have a chat with the owners, and through courtesy I said yes which I always do.

"My biggest concern about Swindon was the history of how the club had been run, because their problems had been well documented.

"But those worries were dispelled almost instantly when I met the guys, as they were brilliant. We had a great conversation about the direction they

wanted to move the club in, and the rest is history."

Wilson's first game in charge resulted in a 2-0 home defeat against Brighton & Hove Albion, but the manager sought to rectify the side's main weaknesses, and subsequently making Town a difficult side to beat.

He said: "Brighton was obviously a disappointing defeat, but for me it was a bit of a blessing in disguise because it didn't paper over any cracks.

"I knew I needed to make them more solid, because they had conceded a lot of goals and were only heading in one direction at that time.

"So the first thing was to shore up the defence, which we did by getting Gordon (Greer) in, and we got a few results by doing that."

Town secured their League One status with a home win over Bristol Rovers in April, and after a trying few months at the helm, Wilson admits it hadn't come a moment too soon.

"It was a massive relief when it finally came," he said.

GING CHANGE

"We looked like we were going to do it at Yeovil a month earlier, but we lost there and had a bit of a blip afterwards.

"We would have loved to have been safe earlier, but the Bristol Rovers game here guaranteed us safety and there was no better game to do it in.

"Obviously our planning for this season got delayed a little because we didn't secure safety until late on, so we couldn't start as early as we would have liked, but we got going as soon as we could."

With League One football guaranteed for another year, Wilson spent the summer re-moulding the squad, with some notable arrivals and departures-including Simon Cox's high profile £1.9m move to West Bromwich Albion.

While an immediate replacement was not found, Wilson was happy to have spent the summer building the solid nucleus of players which has served the side so well this term.

He said: "A player of the quality of Coxy, having done what he did last

season was always going to attract interest, and if the price was right, the board were not going to stand in his way.

"We had a few enquiries and close misses with replacements, but my priority was always to get the backline sorted, because you can't win games 4-3 every week.

"We got the middle of the team as strong as possible over the summer, with Jonathan Douglas, Scott Cuthbert and Gordon being big signings for us, and they've helped us set up a pretty good foundation."

Despite a 5-0 opening day thrashing at Gillingham, just three subsequent defeats, numerous impressive performances and some effective signings including striking sensation Charlie Austin have given the manager reason to believe that his first full season in charge can be a successful one.

He said: "Having got the team together and built those solid foundations, to get whacked 5-0 in your first game is a bit of a blow!

"It was a shot across our bows, and we had to work hard to ensure we didn't do anything silly like that again, but the lads rallied brilliantly and kicked on with some great results and performances which have got us around the play off area.

"The plan now is to bring in some more players in January, and hope to push on from there."

And as far as 2010 is concerned, Wilson is confident he can end his first full season in charge at The County Ground at right end of the table.

He said: "I genuinely do think we can be challenging at the end of the season.

"I don't think anybody is underestimating us now, because we have proven we can compete with anyone in this league.

"If we can keep everybody fit, and bring a couple in as we go along, I think we've got a good chance of being up there come the end of the season."

For the second year running, Swindon Town's Football in the Community team has visited the **African Republic of Zambia** to offer coaching and football lessons to local children.

Home to Victoria Falls, the South Central African nation had the potential to become one of the continent's richest countries following its declaration of independence in 1964 but colonial legacy, mismanagement, debt and disease are said to have rendered Zambia one of the world's poorest countries.

Aids and malaria have had a crippling effect, leaving millions of inhabitants living below the World Bank poverty threshold of \$1 a day. Zambia is land-locked by the Democratic Republic of Congo, Zimbabwe and Angola and as a result is saturated with tens of thousands of refugees who have fled the fighting.

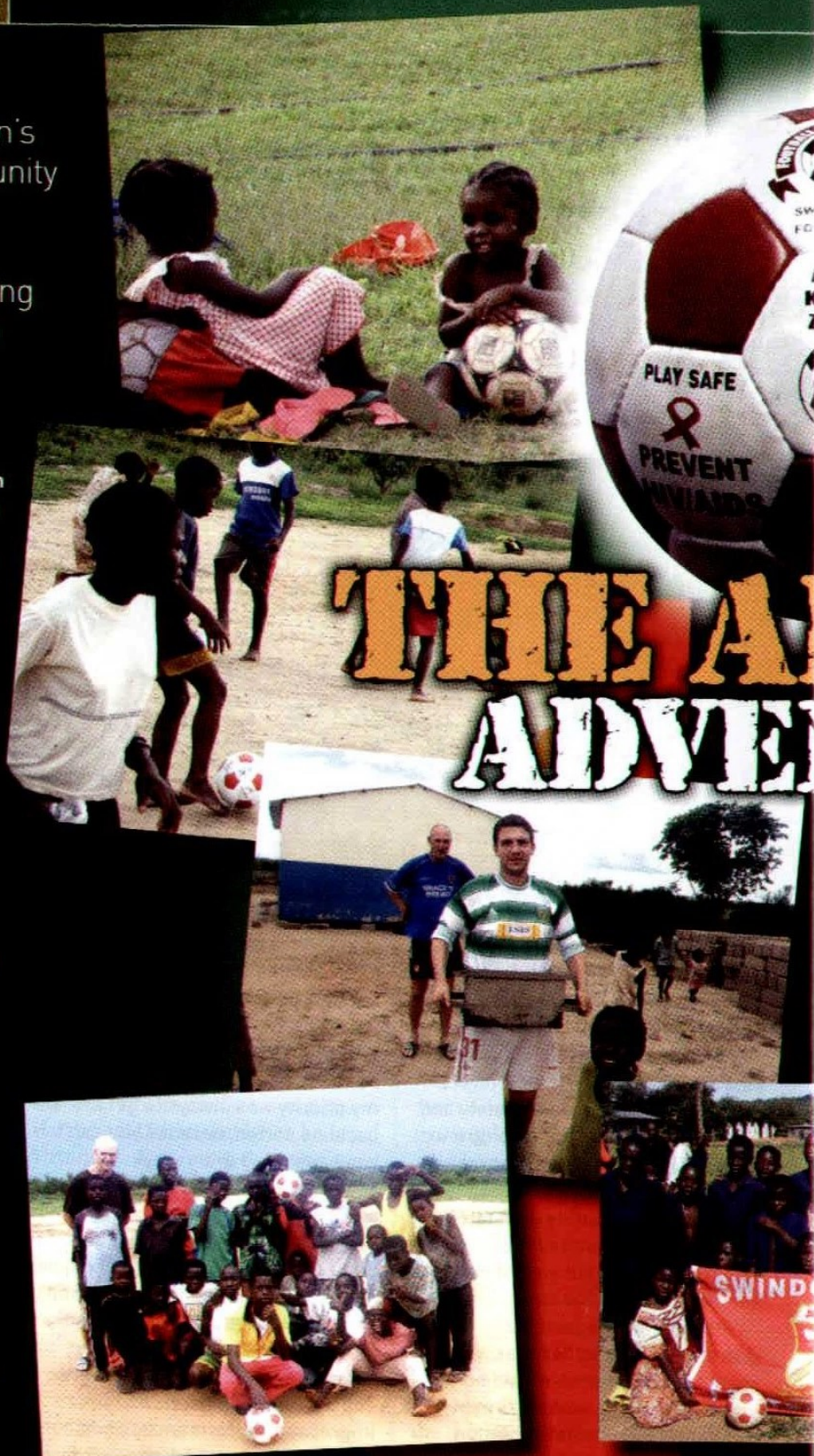
And after a chance encounter at the Gothia Youth Cup in Sweden in 2005, Swindon's Football in the Community Development Manager Clive Maguire decided to travel out Zambia and help make a difference.

"The Gothia Cup is the biggest youth competition in the world," he said. "And the African nations ignite the stadium when they arrive.

"In a lot of cases it takes these teams four or five years of fundraising to be able to play. Normally they are crammed into one room - 16 all sleeping a tight area just so they can play.

"In 2005, a Zambian team won the competition and that sparked our interest in helping and we decided to travel out there and see what we could do."

Maguire was joined by fellow FITC Development Manager Jon Holloway in 2008 as they teamed up with 'Alive and Kicking' - a charity operating

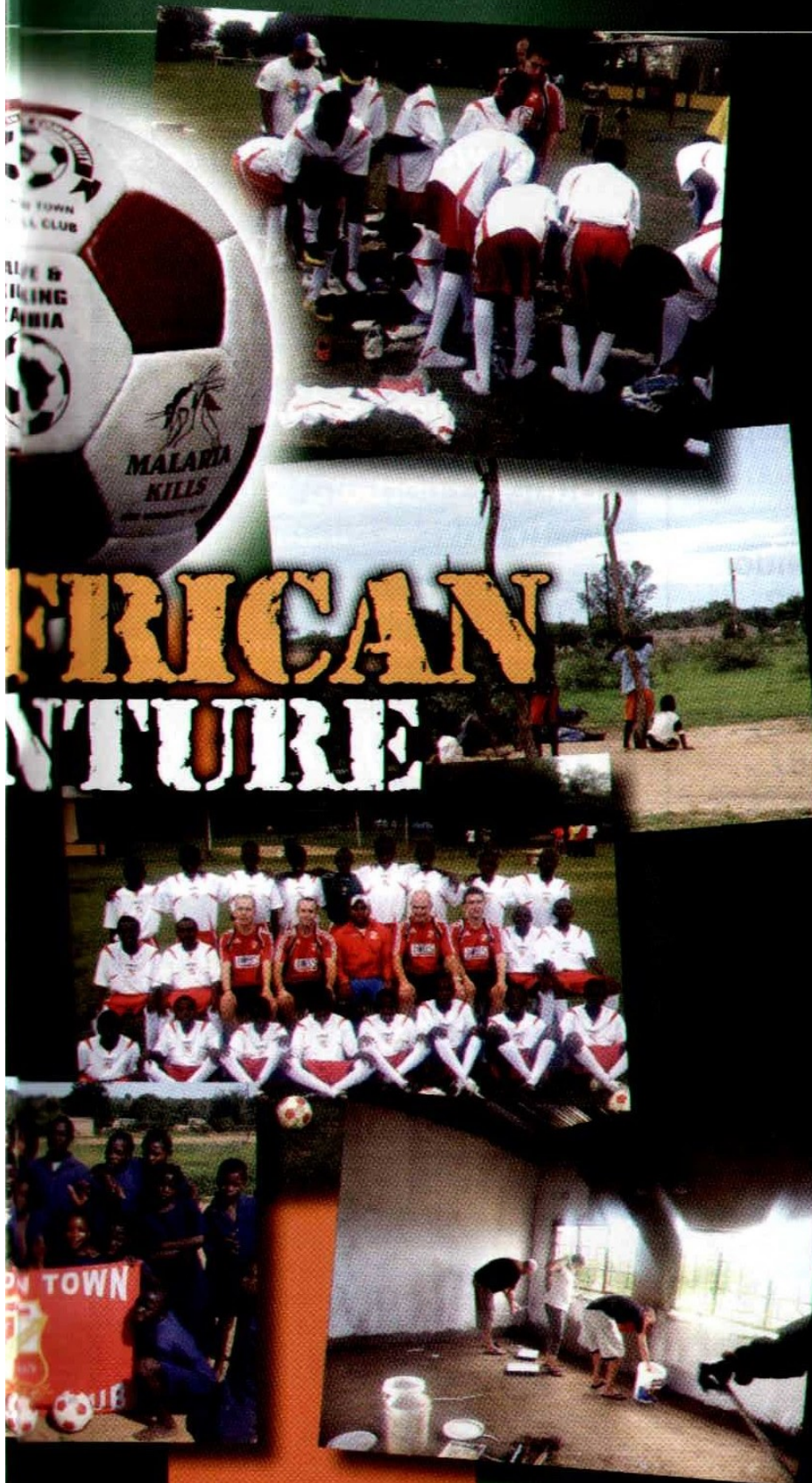


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in Africa which partly produces footballs for the continent - spending five days in the capital Lusaka.

Many of the local children have to endure a ten mile walk under the relentless sun to get to training so the duo worked closely with local legend Samuel Matete - winner of the 400m hurdles silver medal at the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games - to coach local children and provide them with vital equipment

In late November the pair returned, this time to Livingstone with the charity African Impact. FITC Community Development Coaches Tim Hall and Luke Sharps joined the team to deliver eight days of coaching with local schools and clubs including a 16-team tournament and several afternoons of painting schools and making bricks for the community.

"In the long long term we would like to finance a team over in Zambia that could play in Sweden in the Gothia Cup," added Maguire. "This year we were able to take kit, boots and equipment out for the players.

"We had a football boots appeal prior to leaving and were able to take around 500 boots out to Zambia which made a massive difference as most children play bare footed.

"We managed to leave a couple of Samba goals as well as Level 1 and Level 2 coaching education packs. Just to see their faces when we were able to provide them with basic equipment was fantastic."

The team has built a strong relationship with the Zambian FA and are dedicated to implementing and running football programmes to give children a chance of building their own futures in a country where life expectancy is just 45 years for men and 46 for women.

Will Prochaska, Director at Alive & Kicking said: "Coaching trips such as these are so important to communities in Zambia that rarely have access to professional quality coaching or even to balls. The impact on Alive & Kicking of being involved with such a positive project by Swindon Town FC has also been massive, and has helped us make a bigger difference to the people we work with."



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Monday 30th November

After a 10-hour flight from London Heathrow the day before we arrived at Lusaka. First up was a visit to a factory at Lusaka where we collected 50 footballs which we had purchased before taking a short flight to Livingstone. The coaching programme began in the evening, taking a session with Nirmala Youth FC before their game against Livingstone Police. Nirmala won their game 5-1!



Tuesday 1st December

It was an early start for the team as we visited Nakatindi Community School, coaching over 200 children between five and fourteen years old. We took thirty footballs into the school – you could see the delight on the faces of the children when they saw the brand new footballs. Previously games had been played with plastic bags and rags twined together.

The whole of the morning was spent at Nakatindi with matches and training. On departure we handed over books and crayons to the Headmaster of the school before making our way to Maanu Mbwami Community School, which



was a new school built by the African Impact Project with the help of volunteers.

In the evening we took another coaching session with the Nirmala team, who train every evening from 4.30pm until nightfall at around 7pm!

Wednesday 2nd December

This was the start of a two-day coaching project which saw us work with around 25 coaches from Livingstone and the surrounding area. Jon, Tim, Luke and I delivered FA Standard Level One and Level Two sessions and also left DVD's and coaching packs with the Zambian FA for their future use. We spent all day at Livingstone, with the sessions culminating in a number of question and answer sessions with the coaches and Zambian FA representatives.



Thursday 3rd December

A varied day which saw our coaching team divided in two. Jon and I finished off the coaching programme at Livingstone whilst Tim and Luke went to Mwandi Community School about five miles away.

In the afternoon the team got back together with an afternoon's brick-making on the agenda! A break from football coaching – but it was a really enjoyable experience with lots of photos taken with children from around the area.



Friday 4th December

Our penultimate day in Africa saw our coaching team manage a sixteen-team tournament, with children aged between thirteen and seventeen. Each of the teams that took part were allocated twenty pairs of boots and a full playing kit. This was a very humbling moment as we saw the equipment which had been donated to Swindon Town Football in the Community over the previous year finally find such a deserving home. The day was one of the highlights of the whole trip. The competition started at 10am in the morning and came to a close around nightfall after a fantastic day enjoyed by all.



Saturday 5th December

Our final day saw a meeting with the coaching association and we brought back a formal coaching agreement between STFC Football in the Community and the Livingstone FA. This is something that we will look to further develop as the years go on and we hope to establish a community programme under the Livingstone-Swindon banner.

Overall it was an outstanding seven days with the FITC team achieving so much and hopefully laying the foundations for us to build upon and have our own community programme in this exceptionally deprived area of Africa.

Who knows, in ten years time we may see a Livingstone player come through and play at The County Ground in Swindon Town colours which would be a dream come true.





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.

These sessions are attended by children with Down's syndrome, their parents and, in most cases, a teaching assistant from the child's school. Visit: www.swindondownsgroup.org.uk



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Plyometric training involves practicing plyometric movements to toughen



tissues and train nerve cells to stimulate a specific pattern of muscle contraction so the muscle generates as strong a contraction as possible in the shortest amount of time.

A plyometric contraction involves first a rapid muscle lengthening movement (eccentric phase), followed immediately after by an explosive muscle shortening movement (concentric phase), with Gordon Greer seen here completing a jump.

For a muscle to cause movement it must shorten, during this movement alone there is a maximum amount of force with which can be generated. However, if the muscle is lengthened just prior to this contraction, it will produce greater force through the storage of elastic energy. This effect requires that the transition time between the eccentric contraction and concentric contraction be very short. This energy dissipates rapidly, so the concentric contraction must rapidly follow the eccentric stretch. The process is frequently referred to as the "stretch shortening cycle", and is one of the underlying mechanisms of plyometric training. This stretching of the muscles, prior to the explosive contraction that follows, is often called "loading". The faster and greater the load the more powerful the reflex and subsequent contraction.

The golden rule of any conditioning program is specificity. This means that the movement you perform in training should match, as closely as possible, the movements encountered during competition. If you are rugby player, practicing for the line-out or a volleyball player interested in increasing vertical jump height, then drop jumping or box jumping may be the right exercise. However if you are a javelin thrower aiming for a more explosive launch, then upper body plyometrics is far more appropriate.



DICK'S DIARY

As we go into today's final home game of 2009 I am delighted to report the Town injured list is reducing as we head into the New Year.

It has been a busy few months with long-term injury victims **Hasney Aljofree, Lloyd Macklin** and **Alan O'Brien** all returning to action in recent weeks.



Those still recovering from injury are making solid progress. **Callum Kennedy** has been swimming and is now carrying out more robust work.

The important thing is to return Callum to full training as soon as possible.



Craig Easton sustained a calf strain in training before the away game at Bristol Rovers. He has also been working at The Nuffield and

hopefully by the time you read these notes he will be there or thereabouts in terms of returning to full training.



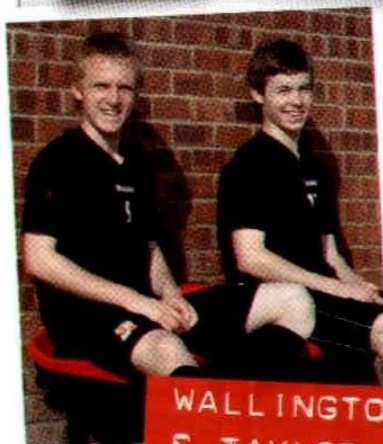
Kurt Hammonds is now working much more dynamically and we will continue in this vein until the New Year where his progress will

be reviewed, with regard to his timetable to return to training.

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& TAYLOR



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A Year to Rem

Former Welsh international **Paul Bodin** look

It has been another eventful year for Swindon Town at all levels of competition. With 2010 just around the corner we sat down with Under 18's Manager Paul Bodin to remember the best and worst of 2009.

Highlight of the year

Winning the Puma Youth Alliance League in April at Plymouth Argyle. The win was made extra special by the fact that Plymouth were second in the division when we played them, so to get the draw at their place was excellent.

Worst moment of the year

Releasing several second year scholars at the end of last season that had been with the club for a long-time. Danny Wallington and Jamie Taylor both had long associations with Swindon Town so letting them go was hard, but decisions are made with the best interests of both club and player at heart.

Most difficult opponents

Again, this would be Plymouth Argyle. When we played them at the end of the

2008/09 season they were in excellent form. They were a good side – solid at the back and we always had tight games against them. Joe Mason played against us for Plymouth and has continued his development with a start for the Plymouth first team.

Most impressive performance

Two spring to mind. One was a performance from our Under 18's against Oxford United in a 5-1 win. Les Taylor, the Oxford manager, even took the time to phone me after the game to say it was the best performance he had seen for many a year. Another impressive performance would be the victory over Swansea City in the Puma Youth Alliance Cup – which was another 5-1 victory.

Goal of the year

This would have to be Abdul Said's strike against Oxford United in the Puma Youth Alliance Cup back in September. It was the last minute of the game and we were losing 2-1 to our local rivals when Abdul received a throw from James Richards, let the



ember



back on the highs and lows of 2009

ball go across his body and then hit a stunning pile-driver from 30-yards out. The ball rocketed into the net. 2-2, game over!

Funniest moment

This would be Abdul's celebration after scoring THAT goal against Oxford. He just didn't know what to do, but in amongst the excitement he tried a front somersault and landed on his back. He then took his shirt off and did a 'Giggsy' style celebration! When his run finally came to rest he received a yellow card from the referee.

Miss of the year

After drawing 3-3 with Gillingham in the Puma Youth Alliance Cup the game went to a penalty shoot-out. We scored our first three to edge ahead when up stepped our normally reliable Captain – but from 12-yards he inexplicably pulled his low shot ten yards wide of the target.

Save of the year

That would be a stop from Calum Antell in the final minute of our 1-1

draw at Plymouth Argyle back in April. We need a point to secure the title and Calum pulled off a great save in a one on one situation against Joe Mason to secure the point we needed.

Best Game

The FA Youth Cup game against Yeovil Town - the match took place at The County Ground and the lads put on a great display with a convincing 6-0 victory. There was some great attacking play and we scored some really good goals. Both strikers – Seb Broomfield and Jordan Record – scored two apiece and Matt Barnes delivered some tremendous balls into the box as well as scoring one himself.

Ones to watch for 2010

Matty Barnes – who was on the bench for the first team against Woking in the FA Cup. Billy Bodin has excelled this year for Wales at Under-17 and Under-19 level and made his Under-21 debut this year. Also Alex Henshall who starred for England in the Victory Shield Tournament.



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Football in the Community: News round-up

Good afternoon and welcome to today's home game with Yeovil Town, the last fixture of 2009!

We hope you have all had a great Christmas and enjoyed the festive celebrations at home with your families.

COACHING DAYS

We were delighted at the take up of our Christmas courses on 21st and 22nd December with over 200 children taking part in the coaching days.

It proved to be a great two days despite the snowy conditions – which even saw Arsenal call off their Members Day on the Tuesday for 10,000 people. Thankfully we were able to continue and it was great to see the All Girls Day on the Tuesday prove to be such a success. We would like to say a big thank you to Paul Booth from McDonalds for providing the fantastic giveaways for the children, which were well-received.

2009 IN REVIEW

It has been a fantastic year for us in Swindon Town Football in the Community Trust. Back in March we received our Silver Accreditation status which was a great boost to our trust. All of our activities continue



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to be supported well, particularly our ever-popular fun weeks.

Our new projects – such as the Extra-Time programme for male and females aged over 60 – have typified just how diverse Football in the Community has

become over recent years. We have continued to expand our projects with us working from Tiny Tots at three-

years old through to the extra-time project, with our oldest member this year being 75-year old John Witts – a former maintenance man here at The County Ground.

Our sincere thanks go to all of our full-time

staff – who have been as professional and committed as ever throughout 2009. This is along with our dedicated team of 70 plus part-time staff, who enable us to proudly fly the flag of Swindon Town FC in Swindon and the surrounding areas.

Last but not least, a special mention to Mike Spearman - Chairman of the Swindon Town Football in the Community Trust. Mike has been a dedicated supporter of the club for many years. He works tirelessly to maintain our high standards as a Community Trust. Without his support and commitment we wouldn't be where we are today.

Have a great New Year.
Clive and Jon



Course Schedule

Link Centre (Swindon Borough)

Monday:	4.30-5.00	5-6yrs
	5.00-6.00	9-11yrs
Thursday:	4.00-5.00	5-6yrs
	5.00-6.00	7-8yrs

Oasis (Swindon Borough)

Monday:	5.00-6.00	8-11yrs
Monday:	4.30-5.30	5-7yrs

Highworth (Swindon Borough)

Tuesday:	4.00-5.00	7-8yrs
	5.00-6.00	9-11yrs
Thursday:	4.00-5.00	4-5yrs
	5.00-6.00	6-7yrs

Haydon Centre (Swindon Borough)

Thursday:	4.00-5.00	5-6yrs
	5.00-6.00	7-8yrs
	6.00-7.00	9-11yrs

Stratton

Monday:	3.30-4.30	6-7yrs
	4.30-5.30	9-11yrs
Tuesday:	3.30-4.30	5-6yrs
Wednesday:	3.30-4.30	7-8yrs
	4.30-5.30	8-9yrs
Friday:	3.30-4.30	5-6yrs

Marlborough

Wednesday:	3.30-4.00	5-7yrs
	4.00-5.00	7-9yrs

Ridgeway

Wednesday:	5.00-6.00	5-7yrs
	6.00-7.00	8-11yrs

Cricklade

Friday:	5.30-6.30	5-8yrs
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Croft (Swindon Borough)

Saturday:	9.00-10.00	7-8yrs
	10.00-11.00	4-6yrs

Dorcan (Swindon Borough)

Monday:	5.00-5.45	4-5yrs
	5.45-6.30	4-5yrs
Tuesday:	5.00-5.45	4-5yrs
Wednesday:	5.00-5.45	4-5yrs
Thursday:	5.00-6.00	8-11yrs
Friday:	5.00-6.00	5-6yrs
	6.00-7.00	6-7yrs

Girls Development Programme

Commonweal School

Monday:	3.15-4.15	11-14yrs
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Haydon Wick Primary

Monday:	3.30-4.20	8-11yrs
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Stratton (Grange Drive)

Tuesday:	4.30-5.30	5-11yrs
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Stratton (Grange Drive)

Thursday:	4.00-5.00	6-12yrs
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St Catherine Primary School

Friday:	1.45-2.35	8-11yrs
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Football in the Community Office

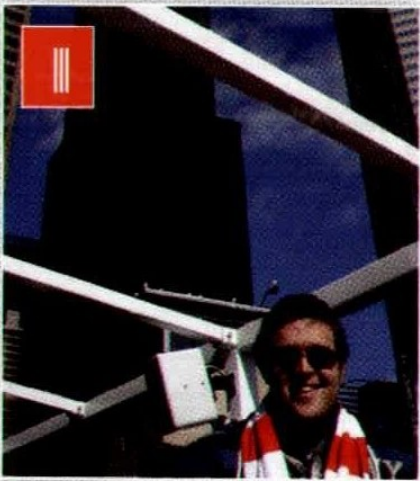
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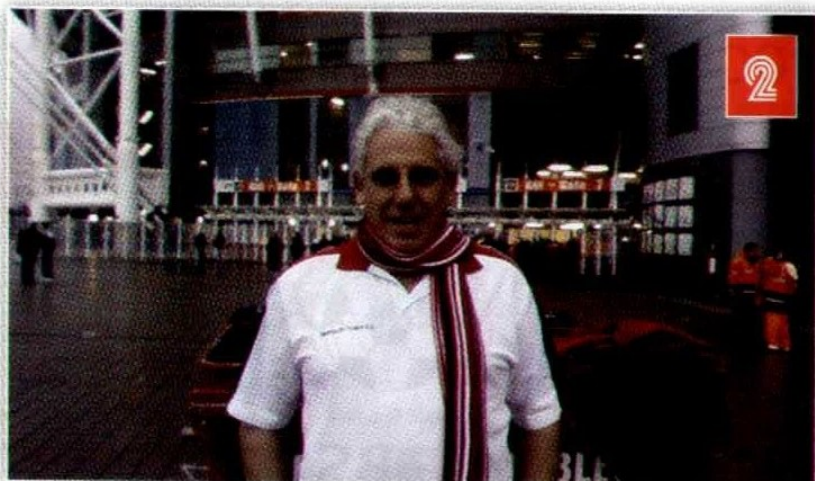
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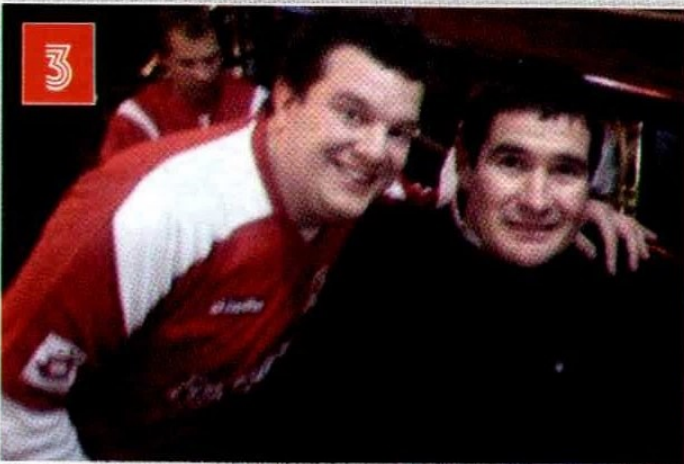
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1 **Chicago Reds** - Robins fan Alastair Orr enjoyed a recent break to Chicago and poses by the Willis Tower (formerly Sears Tower).

2 **Rugby football** - Mr Thomas, a big Town supporter, recently made the trip to The Millennium Stadium to watch Wales vs Australia.

3 **Clough times** - Town fan Gary Stanley spotted Derby boss Nigel Clough on his travels and stopped for a quick snap for the programme.

4 **Crocs** - Rockin' Robin has been known to get into a few awkward situations in the past, but this one may have been his greatest challenge yet!

5 **Sideshow Bob** - Nina Hack poses with a statue of Bob Newhart (actor & comedian) which is located at Navy Pier in Chicago.

6 **Cruising it** - A recent addition to the STFC supporter-base, Nina Hack shows here support for The Reds during a River cruise in her home city of Chicago.

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

The STFC Supporters Club

Welcome back to The County Ground and after the last home match against Brighton, I hope everyone was able to enjoy their Christmas Day!

Today we welcome Yeovil to Wiltshire and I trust all those following The Glovers had a safe journey to the stadium today.

I for one, had not believed that the Brighton match would go ahead, given the cold snap we were suffering. I would like to congratulate the ground staff and helpers for their sterling work in ensuring the match went ahead, in near perfect conditions.

A fine match it turned out to be and the victory rewarded the team with another three points and helped to boost our pounds for points fund to nearly £2,000 for the season so far.

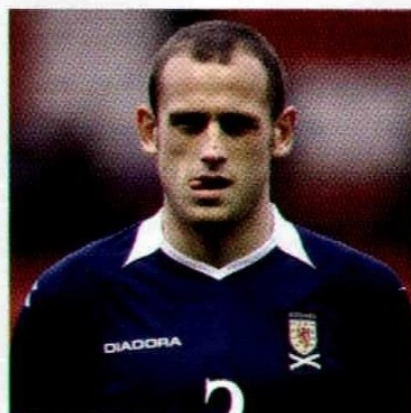
Our mid-season newsletter will drop through members letterboxes shortly and carries a piece by Gordon Greer, and entry forms for free to enter a quiz for both mascot packages and a VIP day's out at future matches.

Please note however that question four of the quiz is printed incorrectly and should read:

"How many times has Scott Cuthbert represented Scotland at Under 21 level?"

I'm sure you will spot the printed error and hope that version hasn't taxed too many brains ahead of this note!

Going into the Christmas period in 6th place reflects a very good start to



this season's campaign. Irrespective of the result of the Charlton game, the first half of the season leaves us well placed to push ahead for at least a play off position in the second half of the season. If that proves to be the case, then we will have some exciting times ahead.

The New Year starts, of course, with the FA Cup match at Fulham and with tickets sales in great demand we will be taking a support of around 6,000 fans, which will be a fantastic turnout. It is bound to be a very exciting day as we lock horns with that Premier League club who started their Christmas with a 3-0 victory against Manchester United!

All that remains is for me to sign off for 2009 by wishing fans and everyone at the Football Club, a very Happy 2010. I'll see everyone at Craven Cottage!

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
Rod & Hilda Sheppard	1
George & Brenda Chadwick	1
Rose & Mike Jones	1
Honor Fraser	1
George & William Woodley	0.50
Frank Bunce	0.50
Mrs Shirley May Hollister	0.50
Trev & Ruby Wainwright	0.50
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Bradley Carter	0.50
Dennise Webb	0.50
Fred Nash	0.50
Andrew Hounsell	0.50
Ken Bunce	0.50
L J & C A Cannings	0.50
Anna Tomkins	0.50
Geoff Cherrill	0.50
Colin Cherrill	0.50
Karen Bedwell	0.50

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50/50 Half-Time Draw vs Brighton & Hove Albion

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MATCHDAY EXTRAS



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A big thank you to the match & matchball sponsors who joined us for our fantastic win against Brighton.

Match Sponsor's **The Swindon Deaf Football Club** had a great day with us (please see testimonial right), Karl Hall from their party is seen here presenting Man of the Match **Jon Paul McGovern** with his bottle of Bubbly. **Alan Russell** and **Kian Bourne** from joint sponsors **JJB** were also caught on camera with J-P and look very pleased with their signed shirt! Finally, **Advance Insurance** are seen

here being presented with the signed matchball, once again presented to them by Jon-Paul McGovern.

"The matchday host, Phil King, was excellent and I really cannot express adequately enough the immense enjoyment we experienced from the day and already we are looking forward to getting another sponsorship day under our belts. The food and service was excellent and I would encourage any supporter to look into this very affordable special treat." **Mark Starr - Swindon Deaf Football Club**



Birthday Announcements →

Birthday Surprise!



Marc Hussey celebrated his 30th birthday with us for the visit of Gus Poyet's Brighton. Marc certainly brought with him the

luck we needed - He is seen here being presented with a personalised Swindon Town Cake. To hold your party here on a matchday, please call Adam on 0844 880 1094.

Happy Birthday Ryan!



Ryan Ainscow was 12 years old on Sunday 27th December 2009, he attends Highworth Warneford School and his favourite player is Charlie

Austin. Ryan is also at the club's Centre of Excellence Under 12 age group. Happy Birthday Ryan, we hope that you had a great day lots of love from Mum, Dad, Josh, Grandma and Grandad xx

Today's Mascots

Tye Gray



Age: 12
School: Gardner Bullis School - USA
Plays For: MVL A Soccer, Near San Francisco
Favourite Player: Lee Peacock

Dean Haddrell



Age: 7
School: Liden Primary School
Plays For: Liden Community U7's
Likes: Loves Football so much - Dean has SKY

Sports News on all the time.
Favourite Player: Billy Paynter

Jack John



Age: 6
School: St Mary's Junior School
Prediction This Season: Swindon to get promoted
Favourite Player: Billy Paynter

Ben Sharp



Age: 12
School: Isambard Community School
Likes: Football In Community Courses
Hobbies: Football and WWE Wrestling

Thomas Pugh

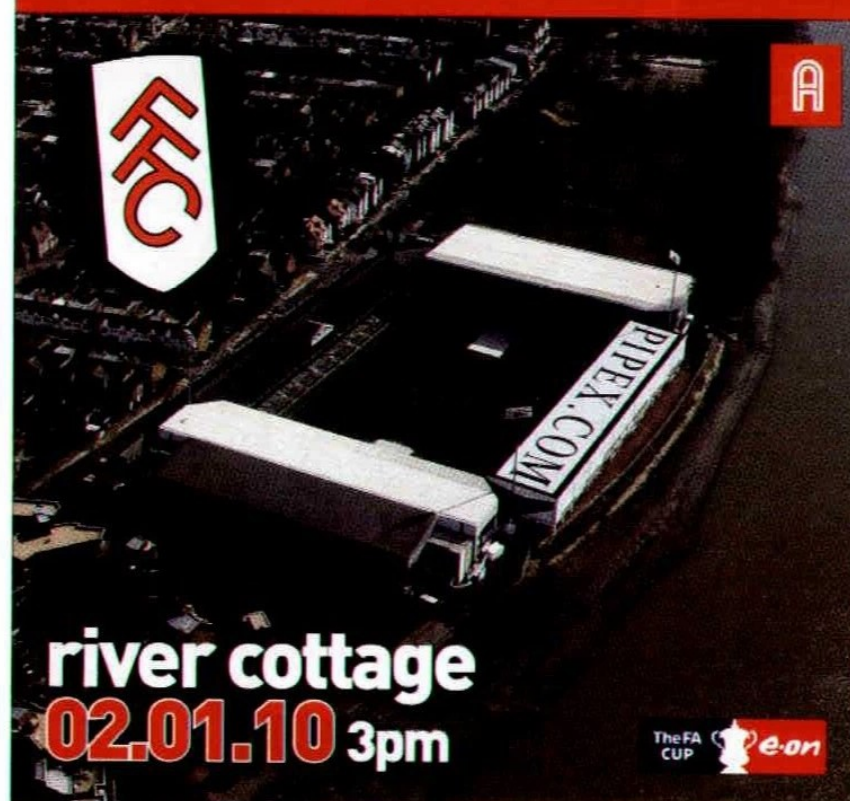


Age: 7
School: Even Swindon Primary School
Plays For: Swindon Supermarine U8's
Favourite Player: Charlie Austin

Mascot packages starts from **just £150**. To book a Mascot package, please call **Adam Wainwright** on 0844 880 1094.

JAN 2ND - JAN 23RD

dates for the diary:



river cottage
02.01.10 3pm

The FA CUP e-on

There are just days to go before The Robins return to FA Cup action. After wins against Woking and Wrexham, Town head to Fulham this weekend to take on The Cottagers. Swindon fans will be out in force with around 6,000 supporters making the trip - hopefully to witness an away win! 2009 has been a positive year. Let's hope 2010 begins with a bang.



history repeating?
09.01.10 3pm

Coca-Cola LEAGUE 1

The Robins will make their second trip of the season to stadiumMK on Saturday 9th January. Two goals from Billy Paynter helped The Robins secure a safe passage into the Carling Cup second round in August as Danny Wilson saw his side romp to a 4-1 victory. The game also included a wonder-strike from Jon-Paul McGovern against his former club.

SATURDAY 2ND JANUARY 3PM

vs Fulham (away) FA Cup R3



A total of 6,000 seats allocated with remaining match tickets now on general sale from the STFC Box Office:

Ticket Prices:	Advance	Matchday
Adult	£15	£20
S/Cit 065	£10	£15
Y/Adult (16-20)	£10	£15
Junior U16	£5	£5

SAS Travel:

Departs The County Ground: 11.00am
Adults: £12, Juniors: £10

SATURDAY 9TH JANUARY 3PM

vs MK Dons (away)



Ticket Prices:

Adult	£18
S/Cit 060	£13
Junior U16	£7
Wheelchair	£13

(Wheelchair Phone 01908 622900 to book)

SAS Travel:

Departs The County Ground: 11.15am
Adults: £12, Juniors: £10

SATURDAY 16TH JANUARY 3PM

vs Gillingham (home)



Tickets:

See Matchday Ticket details

TUESDAY 19TH JANUARY 7.45PM

RE-ARRANGED DATE

vs Stockport County (away)



Ticket Prices:

Adult	£17
Senior 065	£12
Y/Adult (16-21)	£12
Junior	£6

Wheelchair/Disabled £12 (Helper FREE)

Wheelchair users will need to book in advance on 08456 885799

SAS Travel:

Departs The County Ground: 1.30pm
Adults: £21, Juniors: £19



STFC Box Office: 0871 223 2300



revenge mission

16.01.10 3pm

The opening day of the season saw Town on the end of a 5-0 drubbing against The Gills. Mark Stimson's men remain a tough nut to crack and 13-goal striker Simeon Jackson has caught the eye this term. After a hat-trick against Town earlier in the season, Robins fans will hope the front man secures an early January move before Gillingham make the trip to The County Ground.

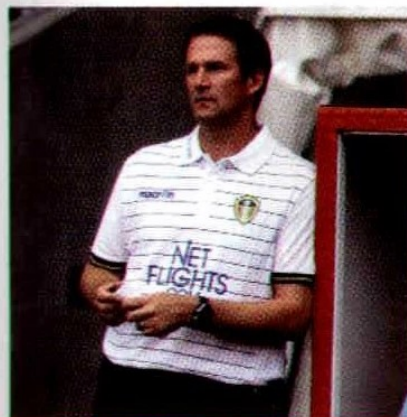


SATURDAY 23RD JANUARY 3PM

vs Southampton (away)



Ticket Details TBC:



TUESDAY 26TH JANUARY 7.45PM

RE-ARRANGED DATE

vs Leeds United (home)



Tickets:

See Matchday Ticket details



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Family (2 Adt, 3 Jun)	£45*
Disabled	£15.00

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	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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Round-Up:

Former Town players **Barry Corr** and Andy Monkhouse hit the League One headlines on Saturday 19th December. Monkhouse was on the scoresheet for Hartlepool United as they were held at home by Yeovil Town. Corr received his second red card of the campaign and will now serve a lengthy ban.

Tranmere Rovers took three points with a 2-0 win over Bristol Rovers whilst Stockport County lost their ninth



consecutive league game – a 3-1 defeat at Gillingham. Walsall were held at home to Leyton Orient in a 2-2 draw whilst Wycombe salvaged a last-gasp draw at home to Oldham.

A goal from Robert Snodgrass was enough

to seal three points for Leeds United at home to Southampton. Leeds extended their advantage at the top of League One whilst Charlton Athletic, who Town faced on Boxing Day, were held in an eight-goal thriller. The Addicks were pegged back by Millwall with Danny Schofield scoring an injury-time leveller.

LEAGUE ONE RESULTS

TOTAL GOALS: 709

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		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	H A	0-0 1-3	- 3-1	- 0-2	- 1-0	- 0-3	- 0-0	- 0-0	- 0-0	- 0-0	- 0-0	- 1-2	- 1-0	- 2-2	- 2-1	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 2-1	- 2-0	- 2-3	- 2-3	- 0-1	- 1-1	- 0-1	- 0-2
Brighton & Hove Albion	H A	0-0	1-1 2-0	- 0-2	- 1-2	- 1-0	- 2-0	3-3	- 0-3	- 0-1	- 1-1	- 1-4	- 0-2	- 3-1	- 2-3	- 2-4	- 1-2	- 1-2	- 2-4	- 1-2	- 1-2	- 0-1	- 1-0	- 2-2	
Bristol Rovers	H A	- 1-1	3-2	- 2-4	- 0-1	- 2-1	- 1-0	0-4	- 1-2	- 2-0	- 1-5	- 1-0	- 3-2	- 1-2	- 2-0	- 3-0	- 0-2	- 1-2	- 2-0	- 3-0	- 0-2	- 1-2	- 1-2		
Carlisle United	H A	1-3	0-2	- 2-3	3-1	- 0-1	- 0-0	- 3-2	- 1-1	- 2-2	- 4-3	- 0-0	- 0-2	- 1-1	- 2-1	- 0-1	- 3-0	- 2-2	- 1-0	- 3-0	- 2-2	- 1-0	- 1-3		
Charlton Athletic	H A	2-0	- 4-2	- 1-3	0-3	- 2-1	- 1-1	2-0	- 2-1	- 5-1	- 4-4	- 0-0	- 1-1	- 2-2	- 1-0	- 1-1	- 2-0	- 2-1	- 1-0	- 2-1	- 4-0	- 2-0	- 3-2	- 1-1	
Colchester United	H A	- 1-0	- 3-0	- 2-2	2-1	2-0	1-0	1-2	- 1-0	- 1-2	- 1-2	- 7-1	- 2-2	- 0-0	- 2-0	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 2-1	- 1-1	- 2-1		
Exeter City	H A	3-0	0-1	- 0-1	1-0	1-2	2-2	0-3	- 3-1	- 0-4	- 1-2	- 1-1	- 1-2	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 0-2	- 1-0	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 2-1	- 0-3	- 1-1	- 1-1	
Gillingham	H A	- 0-0	- 1-2	- 0-0	1-1	- 1-2	- 3-0	0-1	- 1-2	- 1-4	- 1-3	- 0-2	- 2-0	- 1-1	- 1-0	- 1-4	- 0-1	- 3-1	- 5-0	- 2-4	- 0-0	- 3-2	- 1-0		
Hartlepool United	H A	0-0	- 3-3	- 1-2	2-3	- 0-2	1-3	1-0	- 1-2	- 1-0	- 0-0	- 3-0	- 0-2	- 3-0	- 1-3	- 2-3	- 2-2	- 2-0	- 1-0	- 3-0	- 1-1	- 1-1			
Huddersfield Town	H A	0-0	- 7-1	- 0-1	- 1-2	- 0-1	- 4-0	2-1	2-1	- 2-2	- 3-2	- 1-3	- 0-3	- 1-0	- 2-2	- 1-2	- 3-3	- 6-0	- 2-1	- 1-2	- 1-2	- 6-0	- 2-1		
Leeds United	H A	- 0-0	- 3-0	- 4-0	- 1-1	- 0-0	- 2-1	4-1	- 2-2	- 1-0	- 1-2	- 2-1	- 1-0	- 1-2	- 2-0	- 3-0	- 2-0	- 0-0	- 3-0	- 2-1	- 1-0	- 4-0			
Leyton Orient	H A	2-1	- 2-1	- 2-2	1-2	- 0-1	- 1-1	3-1	- 0-1	- 0-4	- 0-1	- 1-2	- 1-0	- 0-4	- 1-2	- 2-2	- 0-3	- 1-2	- 2-3	- 2-3	- 2-2	- 1-0	- 3-3		
MK Dons	H A	0-1	- 2-1	- 3-4	- 2-1	- 2-0	- 0-0	2-3	- 0-1	- 2-1	- 2-3	- 2-1	- 2-1	- 2-3	- 1-2	- 1-3	- 1-2	- 0-0	- 1-0	- 0-0	- 1-0	- 1-0	- 2-2		
Millwall	H A	- 1-1	- 0-0	- 4-4	- 1-1	- 0-2	- 0-3	- 3-1	- 2-1	- 0-1	- 3-2	- 2-0	- 1-1	- 2-0	- 1-1	- 0-0	- 4-0	- 1-1	- 4-0	- 1-1	- 5-0	- 2-1	- 0-2	- 0-0	
Norwich City	H A	- 4-1	- 5-1	- 1-0	- 2-2	- 1-7	- 1-1	1-1	- 3-0	- 4-0	- 1-2	- 4-0	- 2-0	- 2-2	- 3-0	- 2-2	- 3-0	- 3-1	- 1-0	- 2-0	- 1-0	- 2-0	- 0-0	- 5-2	
Oldham Athletic	H A	- 1-1	- 2-0	- 0-1	- 0-0	- 0-1	- 4-1	- 3-1	- 1-3	- 0-1	- 2-2	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 2-2	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 1-0	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 0-1	- 3-1	- 1-0	- 2-0		
Southampton	H A	1-1	1-3	2-3	- 1-1	1-0	- 0-0	- 4-1	- 3-1	1-3	0-1	2-2	- 3-1	1-1	2-2	- 3-1	- 3-1	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 0-1	- 3-0	- 3-1	- 1-0	- 2-0	
Southend United	H A	- 3-2	- 2-1	- 1-2	- 0-1	- 0-1	- 1-0	3-2	2-2	0-0	3-0	2-1	0-0	0-3	0-1	1-3	- 2-0	- 2-0	- 1-2	- 0-2	- 0-2	- 2-2	- 1-1	- 0-1	
Stockport County	H A	- 0-2	- 4-2	- 1-2	- 0-2	- 1-3	- 0-0	0-2	- 2-1	- 0-4	- 1-3	- 0-0	- 1-1	- 0-0	- 1-1	- 0-2	- 1-0	- 1-0	- 1-0	- 1-0	- 1-0	- 0-2	- 1-2	- 1-2	
Swindon Town	H A	- 2-1	- 0-3	- 1-0	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 0-5	- 0-2	- 2-1	- 3-2	- 0-0	- 1-1	- 0-1	- 2-2	- 1-0	- 2-1	- 1-0	- 2-1	- 2-0	- 1-1	- 4-1	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 1-0	
Tranmere Rovers	H A	1-0	- 2-1	- 2-0	- 0-4	- 1-1	- 4-2	- 0-1	3-3	0-3	1-2	- 0-5	- 0-2	- 0-3	- 2-0	- 0-1	- 1-4	- 2-3	- 1-4	- 2-3	- 1-0	- 2-3	- 1-0	- 0-2	
Walsall	H A	- 1-1	- 2-2	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 1-2	- 1-1	- 0-1	- 1-1	- 1-2	- 0-4	- 3-3	- 2-2	- 1-2	- 0-0	- 3-0	- 1-3	- 2-2	- 2-0	- 1-1	- 3-2	- 3-2	- 3-1		
Wycombe Wanderers	H A	1-0	- 0-1	- 0-1	2-3	- 1-1	- 2-3	- 1-1	0-6	- 0-1	- 0-1	- 2-0	- 2-5	- 0-1	- 2-0	- 2-5	- 0-1	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 1-1	- 0-1	- 2-3	- 3-1		
Yeovil Town	H A	2-0	- 2-1	- 3-1	- 1-1	- 1-2	- 1-1	- 0-1	- 1-1	- 1-2	- 0-4	- 3-3	- 2-2	- 0-0	- 3-3	- 0-0	- 0-0	- 1-0	- 2-2	- 0-1	- 2-0	- 1-3	- 1-3	- 1-3	

LEAGUE ONE TABLE 2009/10

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CLUB	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	GD
Leeds	21	15	5	1	38	10	50	+28
Charlton	22	13	7	2	43	24	46	+19
Norwich	22	12	6	4	48	27	42	+21
Colchester	21	11	6	4	35	19	39	+16
Huddersfield	22	10	5	7	45	28	35	+17
Swindon	20	9	7	4	26	26	34	0
Bristol R	22	11	1	10	32	34	34	-2
Millwall	22	8	9	5	33	26	33	+7
MK Dons	22	10	3	9	29	31	33	-2
Walsall	22	8	7	7	32	29	31	+3
Hartlepool	22	7	6	9	29	29	27	0
Carlisle	21	7	6	8	28	30	27	-2
Southend	22	7	5	10	25	29	26	-4
Brentford	22	6	8	8	20	25	26	-5
Southampton	22	9	8	5	38	26	25	+12
Gillingham	22	7	4	11	28	32	25	-4
Yeovil	22	5	10	7	28	32	25	-4
Exeter	22	6	7	9	24	31	25	-7
Oldham	22	6	7	9	19	27	25	-8
Leyton Orient	22	6	5	11	27	39	23	-12
Brighton	22	5	5	12	25	41	20	-16
Tranmere	22	6	2	14	21	43	20	-22
Wycombe	22	4	6	12	22	36	18	-14
Stockport	21	3	5	13	18	39	14	-21

STFC PLAYER APPEARANCES

	2009/10 SEASON			STFC		CAREER		
	AGE	CUP	CLS	APP	CLS	APP	CLS	CLS
1 Lucas	19	3	0	22	0	291	171	0
2 Duthbert	17	5	2	22	2	58	21	3
3 Sheehan	3	1	0	4	0	74	4	5
4 Douglas	17	5	0	22	0	225	24	16
6 Greer	19	6	1	44	2	207	113	9
7 McGovern	19	6	2	90	12	224	46	22
8 Easton	0(11)	2(1)	0	34	12	367	173	37
9 Hutchinson	6(2)	3(1)	1	9	3	10	17	2
10 Timlin	6(8)	3(1)	0	80	19	114	21	5
11 McNamee	14(3)	4(1)	2	69	19	119	81	7
12 Smith	1	3	0	83	0	19	30	0
14 Morrison	5	1	1	28	3	28	3	2
15 Amankwaah	20	6	2	54	5	201	42	10
16 Aljofree	0	0	0	62	2	26	12	15
17 Kennedy	4(4)	2(1)	0	10	4	10	4	0
18 O'Brien	2(4)	1(1)	0	2	5	27	47	1
19 Jean-Francois	15(3)	4	0	21	6	21	6	0
20 Paynter	15(4)	5	10	91	20	256	63	74
21 Peacock	(3)	13	0	113	24	473	98	138
22 Macklin	1(7)	1	0	2	10	2	10	0
23 Thompson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24 Ward	(2)	0	0	12	0	(4)	0	0
25 Marshall	(1)	(1)	0	1	14	0	11	4
26 Jesionkowski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27 Casal	0	0	0	5	1	0	5	1
28 Scott	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29 Hammonds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 Ferry	14	2	1	18	1	18	1	1
31 Reveli	7(2)	2	2	9	2	125	73	30
32 Austin	5(2)	(2)	5	5	4	5	5	5
- Obadeyi	9(3)	2	2	11	3	11	6	2

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FIXTURES RESULTS 2009/10

DATE	OPPOSITION	KO	ATT	VIS	POS	REFER
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 4-5 pen	11,416	1,280	X K Hill
Sat Aug 29	SOUTHEND UNITED	H	2-1	6,417	407	8 M Russell
Sat Sep 5	Yeovil Town	A	1-0	4,807	1,069	6 J Singh
Sat Sep 12	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	1-1	6,621	275	5 K Evans
Sat Sep 19	Walsall	A	1-1	4,148	735	7 D Webb
Sat Sep 26	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	1-1	6,929	421	7 A Hall
Tue Sep 29	Exeter City	A	1-1	5,337	609	8 K Stroud
Sat Oct 3	Brentford	A	3-2	6,471	1,244	6 O Langford
Tue Oct 6	Exeter City JPT2	A	1-1 3-4 pen	2,006	189	→ R East
Sat Oct 10	MILLWALL	H	1-1	7,222	552	7 K Wright
Sat Oct 17	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H	0-2	7,096	160	7 T Kettle
Sat Oct 24	Norwich City	A	0-1	24,959	819	11 G Hegley
Sat Oct 31	Tranmere Rovers	A	4-1	5,811	251	8 A Bates
Sat Nov 7	WOKING FA CUP 1	H	1-0	4,805	756	→ F Graham
Tue Nov 10	NORWICH CITY JPT AQF	H	0-0 3-5 pen	4,978	848	X G Horwood
Sat Nov 21	Carlisle United	A	1-0	4,339	203	9 C Webster
Tue Nov 24	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H	2-1	6,630	434	7 A Penn
Sat Nov 28	Wrexham FA CUP 2	A	1-0	3,011	426	→ G Salist
Sat Dec 5	LEYTON ORIENT	H	3-2	6,815	347	6 G Sutton
Sat Dec 12	Bristol Rovers	A	0-3	7,613	1,231	9 P Walton
Sat Dec 19	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H	2-1	7,068	513	6 J Moss
Sat Dec 26	Charlton Athletic	A	1pm			
Mon Dec 28	YEOVIL TOWN	H	3pm			
Sat Jan 2	Fulham FA CUP 3	A	3pm			
Sat Jan 9	Milton Keynes Dons	A	3pm			
Sat Jan 16	GILLINGHAM	H	3pm			
Tue Jan 19	Stockport County	A	7.45pm			
Sat Jan 23	Southampton	A	3pm			
Tue Jan 26	LEEDS UNITED	H	7.45pm			
Sat Jan 30	Southend United	A	3pm			
Sat Feb 6	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H	3pm			
Tue Feb 9	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H	7.45pm			
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



												SUBS USED
200	Lucas	Cuthbert (1)	J-Francois	Morrison	Greer	Douglas	Timlin	Amankwaah	O'Brien (2)	McNamee	Paynter	Macklin (1), Marshall (2)
190	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Morrison	Greer	Douglas	Timlin	McNamee (1)	McGovern	Macklin	Paynter 2 (2)	Kennedy (1), Marshall (2)
180	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Morrison	Greer	Douglas	Timlin (2)	McNamee	McGovern	Macklin (1)	Paynter	Obadeyi (1), O'Brien (2)
170	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Morrison 1	Greer	Douglas	Timlin	McNamee (1)	McGovern	Obadeyi (2)	Paynter	Macklin (1), Kennedy (2)
160	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois (1)	Morrison	Greer	Douglas	Timlin (2)	McNamee (3)	McGovern 1	Obadeyi	Paynter 1	Kennedy (1), Macklin (2), O'Brien (3)
150	Lucas	Amankwaah	Kennedy	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Easton	McNamee (1)	McGovern	Obadeyi (2)	Paynter (3)	Marshall (1), Macklin (2), O'Brien (3)
140	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert 1	Greer	Douglas	Ferry (3)	McNamee (2)	McGovern	Hutchinson (1)	Paynter	Obadeyi (1) 1, O'Brien (2), Timlin (3)
130	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Ferry (3)	McNamee (1)	McGovern	Hutchinson (2)	Paynter	Obadeyi (1), Macklin (2), Timlin (3)
120	Smith	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Ferry (3)	Hutchinson (1)	McGovern	Obadeyi 1	Revell (2)	McNamee (1), Paynter (2), Timlin (3)
110	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois (1)	Cuthbert	Morrison	Douglas	Ferry (2)	McGovern	Obadeyi	Revell (3)	Paynter 1	Kennedy (1), McNamee (2), Macklin (3)
100	Lucas	Amankwaah 1	J-Francois (3)	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Ferry (1)	McGovern (2)	Obadeyi	Revell	Paynter	Timlin (1), McNamee (2), Kennedy (3)
90	Lucas	Amankwaah 1	Kennedy	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Ferry	McNamee (3)	McGovern	Obadeyi (1)	Paynter (2)	Hutchinson (1), Revell (2), Timlin (3)
80	Lucas	Amankwaah	Kennedy	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Ferry	McNamee (2)	McGovern	Hutchinson (1)	Revell 2 (3)	Macklin (1), Timlin (2), Paynter (3)
70	Smith	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Timlin	McNamee 1	McGovern	Hutchinson (2)	Revell (1)	Peacock (1), Austin (2)
60	Lucas	Amankwaah	Kennedy	Cuthbert 1	Greer	Douglas	Ferry	McNamee (2)	McGovern	Hutchinson (1)	Revell (3)	Timlin (1), J-Francois (2), Paynter (3)
50	Lucas	Amankwaah	Kennedy (1)	Cuthbert	Greer	McGovern	Ferry	McNamee	Obadeyi	Hutchinson (3)	Revell (2)	J-Francois (1), Peacock (2), Paynter (3)
40	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert	Greer	McGovern	Ferry	McNamee	Timlin (1)	Obadeyi (2)	Revell (3)	Hutchinson (1), Austin (2), Peacock (3)
30	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert	Greer	McGovern	Ferry 1	McNamee 1	Timlin (1)	Obadeyi (2)	Paynter 2 (3)	Easton (1), Austin (2), Peacock (3)
20	Smith	Amankwaah	Kennedy	Cuthbert	Greer	McGovern	Ferry (3)	McNamee (2)	Timlin	Obadeyi (1)	Paynter 1	Hutchinson (1), Easton (2), Peacock (3)
10	Smith	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Easton	McGovern	Hutchinson (1)	Revell (2)	Paynter	Austin (1), McNamee (2)
0	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Ferry	McNamee (2)	McGovern	Austin 1 (1)	Paynter	Revell (1), Timlin (2)
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1	Lucas	Amankwaah	J-Francois (1)	Cuthbert	Greer	Douglas	Ferry (3)	Sheehan	McGovern	Austin (2)	Paynter	O'Brien (1), Ward (2), Macklin (3)
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HOW WE SCORED

HEADER	LEFT FOOT	RIGHT FOOT	OWN GOAL	FREE KICK	PENALTY
6	6	17	2	1	3

STARTING RECORD 2009/10

	LGE	CUP
Kevin Amankwaah	20	6
Gordon Greer	19	6
Jon-Paul McGovern	19	6
David Lucas	19	3
Jonathan Douglas	17	5
Scott Cuthbert	17	5
Billy Paynter	15	5

IN THE BOOK 2009/10

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Jonathan Douglas	3	1
Leccinel Jean-Francois	5	-
Michael Timlin	4	-
Gordon Greer	4	-
Sean Morrison	2	-
Scott Cuthbert	2	-
Alan Sheehan	2	-

PERSONAL FACTFILE:

Name: David Lucas
Position: Goalkeeper
Star sign: Sagittarius
Shoe Size: 9 1/2
Studs or Blades: Blades
Favourite player:
Jeremy Guscott
Dinner Invite: Michael Eavis
Movie: Clockwork Orange
Tea or Coffee: Tea, one sugar
Dream Car: Porsche Carrera
Music: Neil Young
Cereal: Cornflakes



THE LAST WORD:

with...

David Lucas

When was the **LAST** time you went home to Preston?

Last weekend after the Brighton game. I had missed my Dad's 60th birthday the weekend before so I went back home to see members of my family and celebrate my Dad's birthday with him.

Where did you buy your **LAST** Christmas present?

It was last Monday after training. I went into the Town Centre but the last present I bought was from Deacons, the jewellers up in Old Town.

What was the **LAST** website you visited?

Probably www.efestivals.com - which is the best festival website on the internet!

When was the **LAST** time you paid to see a game?

A couple of months ago when

I went to The Rec, to see Bath Rugby play against Stade Francais with my friend Jonathan Douglas. Unfortunately Stade took the win with the last kick of the game, but what made it worse was that 'Dougie' won a tenner off me!

What were the **LAST** pair of boots you bought?

A pair of adidas predators from the football website, prodirectsoccer.com

Who did you receive your **LAST** text from?

From my Brother, Darren. He had just been to watch the new Avatar film and he told me to go and watch it - but make sure it was at a 3D cinema.

Who would have come **LAST** in the club Christmas party best dressed competition?



Probably Ben Hutchinson who went as Mr Potatohead. The only problem was that it was better than what he usually wears anyway!

Where was your **LAST** holiday to?

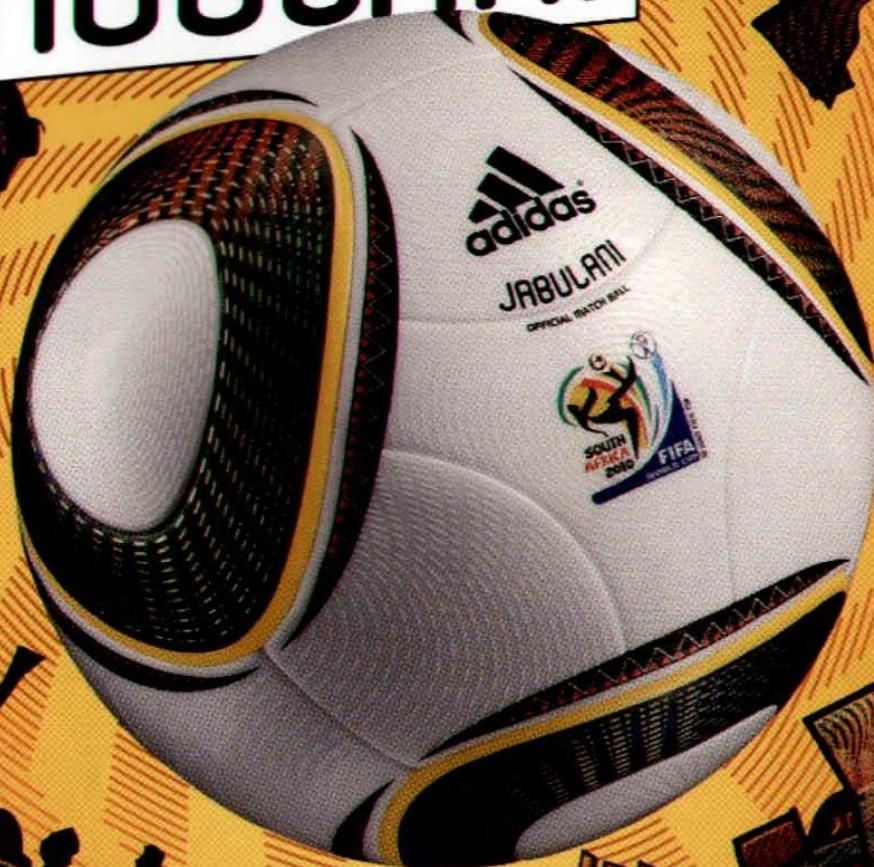
I went to a resort at Portaventura in the summer with my family. My four-year old son wanted to go to Disneyland in Florida but the distance would have been too much for my one-year old. It worked out as the perfect alternative!



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SWINDON TOWN

Danny Wilson

David Lucas	1
Scott Cuthbert	2
Alan Sheehan	3
Jonathan Douglas	4
Gordon Greer	6
Jon-Paul McGovern	7
Craig Easton	8
Ben Hutchinson	9
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
Leccsinel Jean-Francois	19
Billy Paynter	20
Lee Peacock	21
Lloyd Macklin	22
Nathan Thompson	23
Danny Ward	24
Mark Marshall	25
Jakub Jesionkowski	26
Yinka Casal	27
Mark Scott	28
Kurt Hammonds	29
Simon Ferry	30
Alex Revell	31
Charlie Austin	32

YEOVIL TOWN

Terry Skiverton

1	Alex McCarthy
2	Craig Alcock
3	Nathan Jones
4	Stefan Stam
5	Steven Caulker
6	Terrell Forbes
7	George O'Callaghan
8	Keiran Murtagh
9	Sam Williams
10	Gavin Tomlin
11	Andrew Welsh
12	Darren Way
13	Ryan Mason
14	Dean Bowditch
15	Richard Martin
16	Scott Murray
17	Aiden Downes
18	Andy Lindegaard
21	Jean Paul Kalala
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