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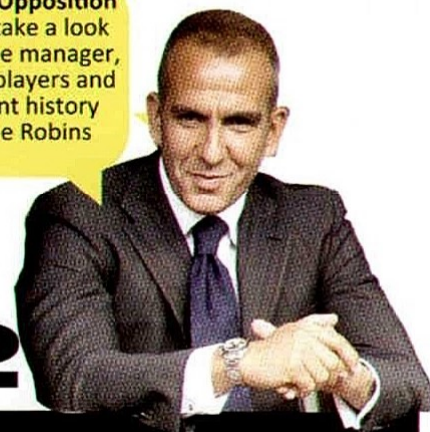
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# Peschisolido

Good afternoon and welcome to the Pirelli Stadium for today's match against Swindon Town. Swindon are new to this league and already they will have found just how tough it is. They have now won their last three games and will be looking to continue their rise up the league.

Today it is our job to continue our own good form off the back of a superb performance against Crewe on Tuesday evening. I came away from that game delighted, I could pick out all eleven players as having had good performances.

It was football being played the way I want it to be played. We had fantastic pace and movement in the attacking third and I think if we can continue to perform like that we will be a handful for any team. I have been delighted

for Justin that he had began his Burton Albion career by scoring plenty of goals. Confidence is important for strikers, I know that myself, and at the moment he is looking dangerous every time he plays.

It is important not to get carried away. We have made a solid start to the season and I feel our performances have been the culmination of the hard work we have put in over the past two seasons since we have been in the Football League.

Swindon will make it very tough for us today. They were playing League One football last season and have a new manager who will be hungry for success. He is a passionate man and I'm sure his players will be giving everything to move their club in the right direction. I would like to welcome Paulo Di Canio, his staff players and the supporters of Swindon Town to the Pirelli Stadium.

The hard work for us continues on the training ground where are looking to improve each week. I feel that the strength we have in the squad is key. We have a number of injuries at the moment but the players who have come in have shown that they are just as capable of holding down a place in the first team and performing consistently well each week.

Once again the support was fantastic on Tuesday, I think at periods in the first half especially the atmosphere created when were going forwards was immense and that comes as a great boost for all the players.

We are all looking to continue that kind of performance this afternoon and I'm sure that once again you will really get behind the side and make the Pirelli Stadium a difficult place for any team to come to.

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**Paul**







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# Ben Robinson



Good afternoon and welcome to the Pirelli Stadium for this afternoon's match against Swindon Town. Today I have the pleasure of welcoming the supporters, directors, staff and players of Swindon Town on their first visit to the Pirelli Stadium.

We had a great result on Tuesday evening against Crewe Alexandra, a team in which we had only achieved one point against in the previous four meetings. I am sure that all of supporters will agree that the performance was a fitting way to celebrate our 100th game in the Football League.

Both today's match and matchball are sponsored by my own company, Ben Robinson Financial Services Ltd. The company has been established in Worthington House, House Street since January 1984 and offers independent financial advice on a whole range of financial services.

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Today I would also like to extend a special welcome to Chris Wood whose new book – 'Burton Albion Football Club – The Birmingham Years 1950-1958' – is available to purchase from the Burton Albion Club Shop today. The book is priced at £12.50 and is an interesting and detailed review of Burton Albion's earliest years.

Chris is joined today by a number of former Burton Albion players including Ray Bowering, Geoff Tye, Maurice Hodgkin and Jim McAdam.

As many of you will already be aware Burton Albion Football Club has been selected to host the final of the Women's Super League Continental Cup. The match will be played at 2.15pm on Sunday 25th September, with tickets priced at only £5.00 for adults and £2.50 for Under 16s.

It will be a special day for the town with the two finalists Birmingham City and Arsenal Ladies boasting many senior England internationals who played in this summer's Women's World Cup. There will also be entertainment on the day at the stadium including last year's X-Factor finalists Belle Amie who will be performing on the pitch.

Finally I would like to remind the club's shareholders that the Annual General Meeting is being held in the Tom Bradbury Lounge on Monday 26th September at 7.30pm.

**Thank you for your support and enjoy the game.**

**Ben Robinson  
Chairman**



Skipper



# Darren

Burton's 1-0 victory over Crewe on Tuesday evening will go down as one of the best team performances by the Brewers under Paul Peschisolido's guidance as manager. And club captain Darren Moore is quick to agree that the side are progressing in the right direction.

Moore said, 'We had great tempo and we used the ball really well. I'd agree that was the best we've played, certainly since I've been at the club. We were outstanding both in and out of possession, both parts of the game are vital.

'Crewe could have no complaints after Tuesday night. It could have been two or three goals realistically. We have been creating plenty of chances all season and on Tuesday it was the same again. Justin was magnificent once again and got another goal. He's in really good form but it was about every player on Tuesday. Everybody played well and we had plenty of pace and movement so we deserve credit there.

'This afternoon we are hoping for more of the same against Swindon Town but we know it will be extremely tough. They will pose us different problems and have won their last three games so will be on a high. They will be physically strong and will have quality, especially when you consider they were in League One last season. They are a well established club and I'm sure they will be looking to progress up the table this season. I expect



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# Moore

them to bring good support today so it should make for a cracking atmosphere.

'I think the introduction of Paulo Di Canio will have given the whole club a lift over the summer and into the first few weeks of the season. I have memories of playing against him and he is certainly a passionate man. That will rub off on his players, I expect that to come through. Both sides will once again be looking to play good football as well today so it should be an exciting, entertaining match.

'Once again on Tuesday evening your support was magnificent. You can tell that the lads are able to feed off the atmosphere that is created at the Pirelli Stadium and I think the performance we put in Tuesday encouraged the kind of atmosphere that you created.

'I'd also like to congratulate Aaron Webster, or 'G' as we know him, on reaching his 550th appearance for Burton Albion on Tuesday. Aaron is like the Great Wall of China, he's been around forever, although I'm not sure if you can see him from space. Joking aside it is a wonderful achievement and at Aaron's age there is no reason why he can't go to become the highest appearance maker in Burton Albion's history.'

Thanks for your support and I hope you enjoy the match.

All the best,  
Darren

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# Young Fan's View

Luca Gallone

Today's match should be renamed "Clash of the Paolos" - Paolo di Canio's Swindon v Paolo Peschisolido's Brewers.

Pesch is known as Paul but is, in fact, called Paolo. Like di Canio, he's from proud Italian stock, though he grew up in a Canadian-Italian family.

However, though you can take the man out of Italy, you can't take the Italy out of the man. I should know. I belong to an Anglo-Italian family myself.

For that reason I know a thing or two about Italian passion, Italian style and the Italian character. It's something, perhaps, Crawley boss Steve Evans should swot up on. Evans (below) is not renowned for his tact and diplomacy. He famously described Burton as a 'pub team'. Before we beat them.



He recently dubbed Swindon the "di Canio Circus" before Crawley's Tuesday night 3-0 home drubbing by the aforementioned "circus". Paolo's response to Evans' jibe rates as the funniest thing I've heard for ages.

As well as making it clear he had no idea who Steve Evans was in a BBC interview, di Canio came out with this

classic: "You think I am scared of that man? I've played in front of Mafia people. People like him make me laugh - I laugh in the face of them. I laughed in the face of 70,000 Man Utd fans when I scored... I've never heard of him (Evans) before. He is one of millions of my fans."

Talk about a classic put down. These Italians know how to get their own back. No messing. Evans may think his cheeky comments are pretty smart but the noisiest, most vociferous Brit pales into insignificance when the Italians come to town! Believe me, I know.

Plus, Italians really know how to celebrate. Anyone who saw di Canio's exuberant display after Swindon won their first match of the season couldn't help but smile. But as he fell to the ground, his players piling on top of him, I did wonder whether he may end up in A&E. For that reason alone, I hope di Canio has nothing to celebrate today when Swindon take on the mighty Brewers. I don't want him to get so excited he injures himself!

I also wonder if the two Paolos have met each other in days gone by. As a teenager Pesch spent time at Juventus, by my reckoning when di Canio was a first team player there. Their paths may well have crossed.

So, whatever the result today, we may see a little Italian bonding after the clash of the Paolos. One thing is for sure, though, I don't think Steve Evans will be invited to the after-match party.

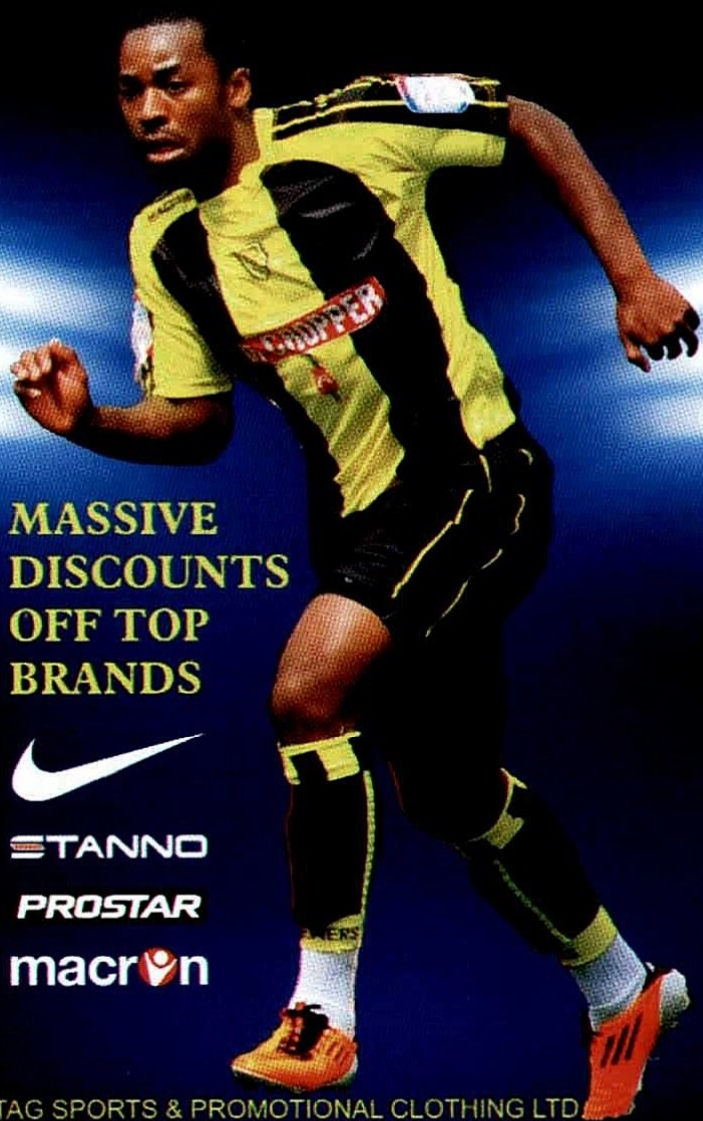
Let's hope the celebrations today are all about yet another Brewers win, in the wake of Tuesday's magnificent performance against Crewe!

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THE VISITORS

# Swindon Player Spotlight

## Mattia Lanzano

Italian goalkeeper Mattia Lanzano (right) departed native side USD Gavorrana 1930 in July to sign a two-year deal with Town. The 20-year-old custodian travelled with the squad on the pre-season tour to Italy, and made his debut in the 11-0 win over Norcia. Lanzano competes with Phil Smith and Mark Scott for the number one jersey at The County Ground.



## Paul Caddis

Signed alongside fellow Celtic youth team graduate Simon Ferry in August 2010 for a combined undisclosed fee. The 22-year-old penned a three-year deal, and his capture concluded a lengthy pursuit from then Town boss Danny Wilson. Caddis can play in many different positions, but is predominantly a right-sided defender.

## Joe Devera

Became Paolo Di Canio's first signing as Town boss in June 2011. Devera linked up with the Robins after an established spell with Barnet and will hope to use his considerable experience to help Swindon to success. The 24-year-old, who is of Venezuelan descent, made 177 appearances during a six-year career with the Bees, and was named the club's Player of the Year in 2008 and 2011.

## Oliver Risser

Risser penned a two-year deal at The County Ground in July 2011, and was named club captain shortly after. The 30-year-old is a Namibian international who has played in Norway, Germany and Greece during his career. A powerful defensive midfielder, Risser can also play as a centre-back.

## Callum Kennedy

Former Reading youngster was first granted a taste of first team action by former Town boss Paul Sturrock. The youngster made a surprise start in the 4-1 win over Brentford in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy in

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September 2007. He was awarded a new one-year contract in the summer of 2009 and competed with Leccinel Jean-Francois for the left-back slot before a pelvic injury sustained mid-way through the season kept him on the sidelines for the remainder of it.

## Simon Ferry



Made the permanent switch from Celtic in August 2010, penning a three-year deal. The midfielder (below) had enjoyed a hugely successful season at Swindon in 2009/2010, making 42 starts and scoring twice in Town's play-off campaign. Ferry made 25 appearances during the 2010/11 season and was often a frustrated figure on the substitutes

bench, especially during the second half of the campaign.

## Alan McCormack

Signed a two-year deal at The County Ground in July 2011. Following his release from Charlton Athletic, the Irishman trained with Paolo Di Canio's side for a week before putting pen to paper. McCormack started his career at Preston North End, before a series of loan moves preceded a switch to Southend United.

## Alan Connell

Swindon Town clinched the signing of Grimsby Town striker Connell for an undisclosed six-figure sum in July 2011. The 28-year old frontman put pen to paper on a two-





year deal at The County Ground. Connell arrived at Blundell Park from Bournemouth in July 2010 and scored 25 league goals for the Mariners last term - finishing the campaign with 29 in all competitions.

### Mehdi Kerrouche

Algerian striker Mehdi Kerrouche (right) became Paolo Di Canio's eighth signing of the summer, agreeing a two-year contract at The County Ground. The 25-year-old free agent left United Arab Emirates side Al-Oruba during the summer and took the number 39 shirt after signing with Town.



### Lander Gabilondo

Spanish winger signed for Town in August 2011. After arriving on trial soon after the start of the campaign, he impressed the Town

management before being awarded a one-year deal. Born in San Sebastian, Lander (below) came through the youth system at Real Sociedad where he turned professional at the age of 18. He then moved to La Liga rivals Osasuna where he played 159 games in the Spanish 2B division.



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## Club Honours

### League honours

Football League 2nd Tier (Currently Football League Championship):

Playoff Winners (2): 1989-90, 1992-93

Football League 3rd Tier (Currently Football League One):

Winners (1): 1995-96

Runners up (2): 1962-63, 1968-69

Playoff Winners (1): 1986-87

Football League 4th Tier (Currently Football League Two):

Winners (1): 1985-86

Southern League:

Winners (2): 1910-11, 1913-14

Runners up (4): 1897-98, 1908-09, 1909-10, 1912-13

Western League:

Winners (1): 1898-99

### Cup honours

Swindon won the League Cup in 1969.

Football League Cup:

Winners (1): 1968-69

FA Youth Cup:

Runners-up (1): 1964

FA Charity Shield

Runners-up (1): 1911

Football League Third Division South Cup:

Runners-up (1): 1935-36

Anglo-Italian Cup: Winners (1): 1969-70

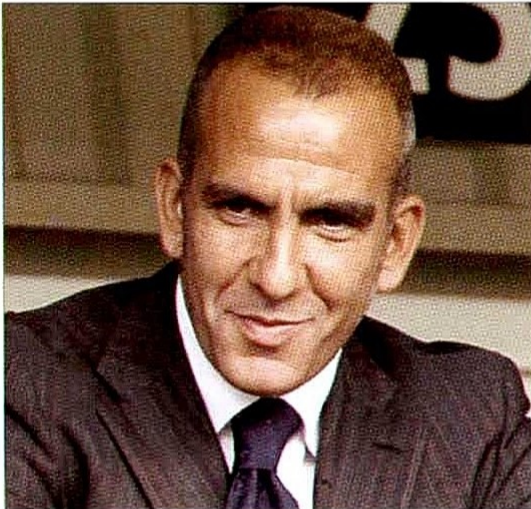
Anglo-Italian League Cup: Winners (1): 1968-69

Wiltshire Cup: Winners (10): 1986-87, 1887-88, 1888-89, 1889-90, 1890-91, 1891-92, 1892-93, 1896-97, 1903-04, 1918-20





# Swindon Town



## PAOLO DI CANIO

Despite an illustrious playing career in England and Italy most fans still remember the Swindon manager for one incident.

In September, 1998, he had an infamous altercation with the referee while playing for Sheffield Wednesday against Arsenal. He pushed Paul Alcock to the ground and was roundly condemned for his treatment of the ref which earned him an 11-match suspension and a hefty fine.

By contrast, Di Canio had a dazzling playing spell at both Wednesday and West Ham scoring the goal voted the best of the decade by Sky Sports viewers and Goal of the Season on Match of the Day - a wonderful volley he scored in March 2000 (watch it on Youtube).

Di Canio made over 500 league appearances and scored more than 100 league goals.

Before coming to England, Di Canio played in Serie A for Lazio, Juventus, Napoli and AC Milan, he also played in Scotland for Celtic. He retired from football in 2008 and took over as manager at Swindon in the close season.

## THIS SEASON Recent results

H v Southend	W	2-0
H v Rotherham	W	3-2
A v Shrewsbury	L	2-1
H v Oxford	L	2-1
A v Dagenham	L	1-0
A v Cheltenham	L	1-0
H v Crewe	W	3-0
A v Crawley	W	3-0

Swindon started the season brightly enough with a convincing home win against Crewe but followed that up with four defeats in a row albeit all four by just one goal. They got their season back on track with a televised win over promotion-chasing Rotherham and by beating Southend last Saturday.

## THE BOY'S a bit special

### Matt Ritchie

Swindon's No 10 was named the club's Player of the Year last season despite not actually officially signing until January. He had been previously on loan at the club from Portsmouth but made the switch permanent on a two and a half-year deal after being deemed surplus to requirements by the Championship club. A left-sided midfielder/winger, Ritchie had been involved in Portsmouth's academy since he was 13. He made his Football League debut on loan at Dagenham & Redbridge in September 2008. He impressed at Dagenham and later on loan at Notts County and was recalled by Portsmouth making his debut in the Premiership at Wigan.

For the start of the 2010-11 season, Ritchie found himself in the starting line up at Portsmouth but after losing his place went on loan to Swindon, where he hasn't looked back.







Today the Brewers line-up against a former Premiership team as Swindon Town join Bradford City as another former top flight club in the basement division after a brief flirtation with the big boys.

Swindon turned professional in 1894 but enjoyed just one season amongst the elite.

They won promotion to the Premier League after coming through the play offs at the end of the 1992-93 season.

They were the second team

to win promotion to the Premier League via the play-offs route, beating Leicester City to secure their place.

Sadly, like so many cubs, they had a single season in the top flight with a Derby County-like ability to ship goals. More than 100 went into Swindon's net as they quickly returned to the lower divisions where they have spent the vast majority of their football life.

There have, however, been periods of great success for the Wiltshire side, most notably when they won the 1969 League Cup beating

## THE VISITORS

Arsenal at Wembley.

As a result of that success, they were entered in and won the 1969 and 1970 Anglo-Italian Cups.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Swindon played Manchester United in the highest scoring Charity Shield match ever. Swindon won the Southern League championship in 1911 earning them the right to play Football League champions Manchester United in the

annual game. The game was played at Stamford Bridge with Manchester United winning 8-4.

The game was played in the September of 1911 only six months before the sinking of the luxury liner the Titanic which struck an iceberg crossing the Atlantic. Most of the money from the Charity Shield game went to help survivors of the Titanic as a result.

## LAST SEASON

Where did it all go wrong for Swindon in 2010/11? Was it really all down to the loss of striker Billy Paynter (right) to Leeds? In the 2009-10 season Swindon had been one of the top teams in League 1 looking a sure bet for automatic promotion for much of the year before slipping to fifth. However they were back on course when they beat Charlton Athletic in the play off semis only to lose 1-0 to Millwall at Wembley. Surely 2010/11 would see Swindon go one better?



But before a ball was kicked, Paynter was off, no real replacement was found and Swindon had lost their edge. By the time Danny Wilson resigned, on April 25, 2011, Swindon were in freefall and were duly relegated to League 2 after losing 3-1 to Sheffield Wednesday.



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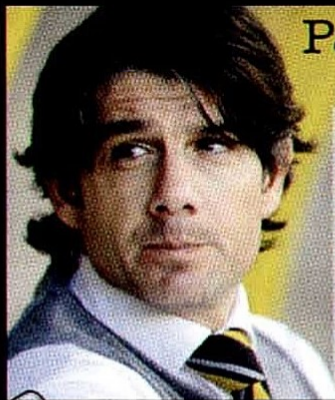
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## Albion v Crewe Alexandra



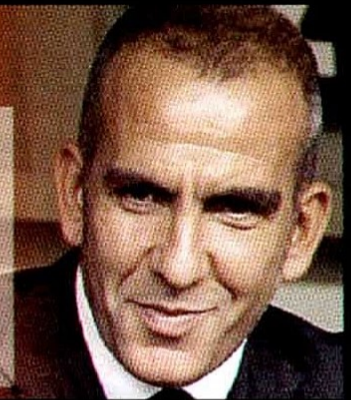
Paul Peschisolido

Played 100 Won 32 Drawn 30 Lost 38  
 For 137 Against 150  
 Av Pts/game 1.24  
 Biggest Win(s)  
 Burton Albion 6  
 Aldershot 1 (12/12/2009).  
 Biggest Loss(es)  
 Chesterfield 5 Burton Albion 2  
 (24/10/2009).



Paulo di Canio

Played 7 Won 3 Drawn 0 Lost 4  
 For 10 Against 8  
 Av Pts/game 1.29  
 Biggest Win(s)  
 Swindon 3 Crewe 0  
 (06/08/2011).  
 Biggest Loss(es)  
 Swindon 1 Oxford Utd 2  
 (21/08/2011).



### Sharp Shooter

Most shots

Richards 22

On target

Richards 13

Off target

Richards 9

Richards: 8  
 Zola: 4  
 Webster: 1

Ritchie: 3  
 Connell: 2  
 Kerrouche: 2

Most shots

Ritchie 20

On target

Ritchie 11

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# Up next at the Pirelli for the Brewers



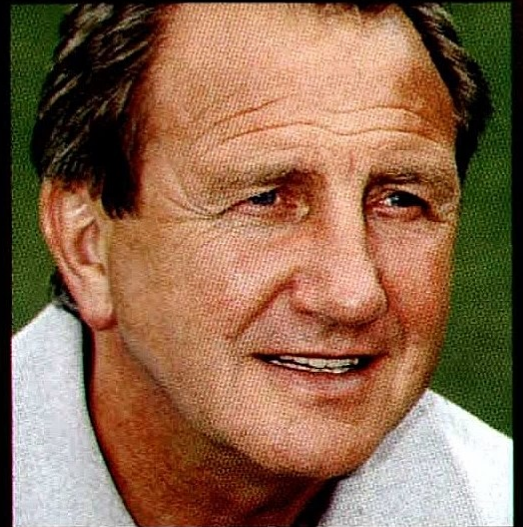
Two weeks time will see something of an old boys reunion at the Pirelli Stadium as several players across the two squads will come up against former teams and former team-mates. Albion currently have Adam Bolder and of course Darren Moore who have had spells with Bradford City and the Bantams can call upon ex-Brewers Matt Duke, Guy Branston and last season's loanee striker from Nottingham Forest, Nialle Rodney.

who also guided the Bantams to promotion from the old Division Four back in 1981/82, his one and only season in charge before moving to manage Derby County.

Bradford are still perceived as one of the great under achievers in League 2 at the moment, mainly due to the size of their stadium and their impressive crowds which regularly climb into five figures. Of course the other factor that makes them a big club for this level is the fact that it is not that many years since they were gracing the Premiership with Paul Jewell at the helm and

'Dukey' of course was something of a legend here at Burton having been a part of the side that won the club's first ever League championship in 2002 and 'Branno' was skipper as the Brewers ventured into the Football League for the first time, two seasons ago. Nialle only had a short spell with us last season before injury forced him to return to the City Ground.

Amongst others to have been involved with both clubs is Roy McFarland (right) who was the caretaker manager here at Burton as we achieved Football League status and



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with Darren Moore as a key part of their rise through the divisions to reach the top flight. Since Jewell's tenure as manager of Bradford the job as boss of the Bantams has been something of a poisoned chalice with numerous ex players and experienced managers all failing to halt the decline and restore Bradford to a position further up the leagues that they achieved a little over a decade ago.

Current boss Phil Parkinson is the third permanent manager in the job this calendar year. They year started with Peter Taylor in charge but he left early in the new year to be replaced by former boss Peter Jackson. He then became the first manager this season to leave his role when he quit in August and former Charlton and Colchester boss Parkinson now has the task of moving Bradford up the League 2 table.

### Bradford City Facts and Figures

Most appearances – 574, Ces Podd

Most goals scored – 143, Bobby Campbell

Most goals in a season – 36, David Layne (1961/62)

Record League victory – 11-1 v. Rotherham United, Division 3 (North), 25/08/1928

Record League defeat – 1-9 v. Colchester United, Division 4, 30/12/1961

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# ACTION REPLAY

## Oxford United v Albion

npower League 2

Venue:

The Kassam Stadium

Date: September 10 2011



### Oxford United

#### STARTING XI

RYAN CLARKE  
ANDREW WHING  
MICHAEL DUBERRY  
JAKE WRIGHT  
LIAM DAVIS  
SIMON HESLOP  
PAUL MCLAREN  
PETER LEVEN  
ALFIE POTTER  
JAMES CONSTABLE  
LEWIS GUY

### Albion

#### STARTING XI

ROSS ATKINS  
ANDREW CORBETT  
TONY JAMES  
RYAN AUSTIN  
AARON WEBSTER  
JIMMY PHILLIPS  
JOHN MCGRATH  
ADAM BOLDER  
JACQUES MAGHOMA  
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### The Manager...

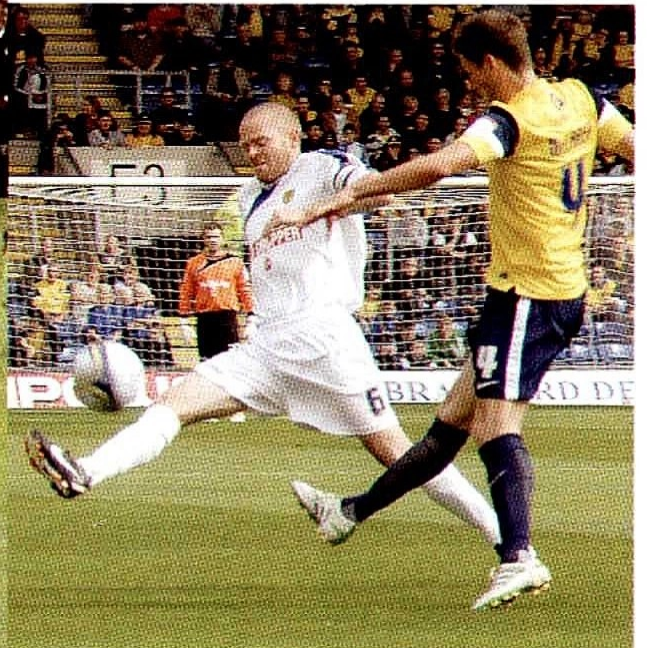
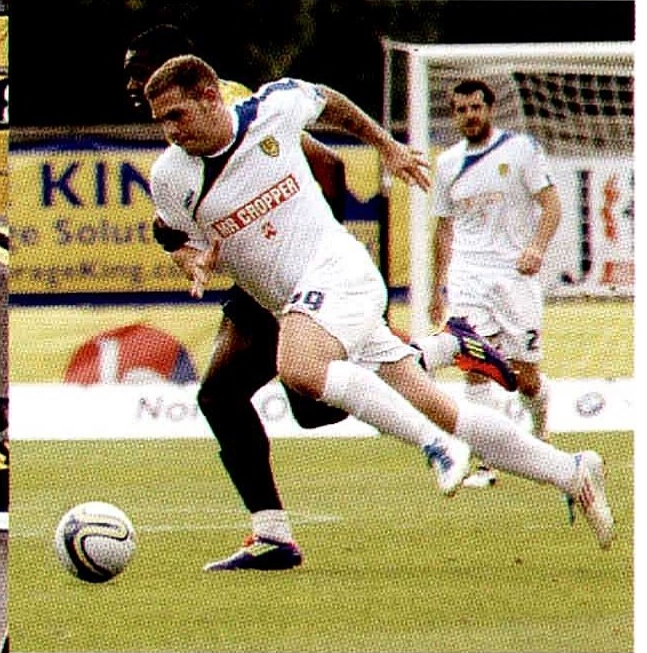
'That was the best team we've seen. They were very fluid in their play and created lots of chances. Once we scored we looked the more likely to score another which we did. There are not many teams who will come here and win. That is for sure so I'm pleased with the point.'





### Summary

Burton Albion returned from the Kassam Stadium with a welcome away point after a thrilling comeback brought them back from two goals down in the second half against Oxford United. When Peter Leven put the U's 2-0 up on 54 minutes the game looked to be heading for the same sort of outcome as last season's corresponding fixture when the home side ran out convincing winners. However two goals from former U's striker Justin Richards, the first a penalty two minutes after the second Oxford goal silenced the home crowd and ensured a precious away draw.



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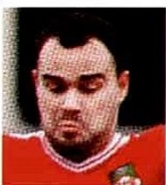
# The eX Files



Andrew Bettridge takes a look at the careers of ex-Brewers players at their current clubs

## Lee Fowler - Wrexham

Wrexham suffered their first defeat of the season in the Blue Square Bet Premier after losing 3-1 to Barrow.



However Lee Fowler said he was not totally disappointed by the loss and that it took some of the pressure of his side who still remained top of the league.

"You never want to lose but in a way the monkey is off our backs. Everyone wants to beat Wrexham because we are a big club anyway and we're top of the league," the former Brewer's midfielder said.

"For teams like Barrow this is their cup final and to be fair to their players, they deserved it today."

## Eric Graves - Mickleover Sports

Midfielder Eric Graves scored twice as Mickleover Sports beat Marine 3-2 in the Evo-Stik League North Premier Division.

It was a game of two halves with Marine two goals up at half time. However the away side hit back with three second half goals.

During his time at the Pirelli Stadium, Graves only made a handful of appearances before being let go by former Albion manager, Nigel Clough.

Since leaving Burton, the pocket size midfielder has also played for Gainsborough Trinity, Hucknall Town and Belper Town. As a youngster Graves also had a small TV career, featuring in shows such as Holby City and The Bill.

## Lewis Young - Northampton Town

Northampton Boss, Gary Johnson has said he is not worried by his side's low position in League 2.



This is despite the likes of ex Brewer, Lewis Young being guilty of missing some good chances in the goalless draw against Torquay. The result meant that the Cobblers are still yet to win at home.

Young who struggled to cement a place in the Burton first team last season signed for Northampton during the summer. He is yet to score for his new club.

## Richard Walker - Solihull Moors

Richard Walker who was released by Albion this summer, has signed for Blue Square North side, Solihull Moors.



The experienced striker who has also played for the likes of Aston Villa, Blackpool, Northampton and Bristol Rovers went straight into the team for his new side's game against Boston United.

Solihull beat the Lincolnshire side 1-0 in what was their first win of the season after seven successive defeats.

Walker played for 72 minutes on his debut, before being subbed by Moors manager, Marcus Bignot.

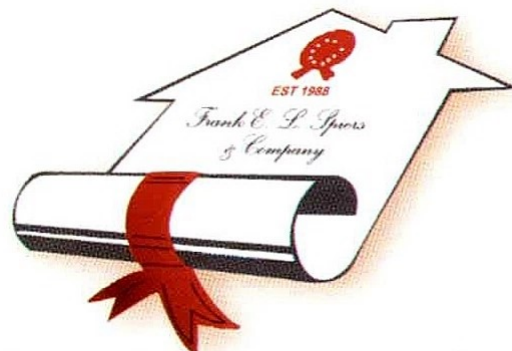
Solihull's new signing will have to find the net soon with the Moors sitting at the bottom of the Blue Square Bet North division.

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# Weddings at Burton Albion

Burton Albion hosted the Club's fourth annual Wedding Fayre on Sunday, welcoming 197 brides to the Pirelli Stadium with well over 400 guests in total throughout the day. We're pleased to say the day went without a hitch with our 30 exhibitors ranging from dress and suit hire to wedding cars, cake makers and photographers.

No doubt the highlight of the day was the bridal catwalk, featuring

players from the Burton Albion first team modelling the range of menswear.

At this year's event Ryan Austin, Aaron Webster, Ross Atkins, Jimmy Phillips and Jack Dyer all took to the runway to strut their stuff.

Burton Albion Events Co-ordinator Kirsty Cox said, 'I'd like to thank all of the exhibitors for supporting the event and once again we were delighted that so many brides were able to join us on the day. The event was a real success with many of our visiting

wedding couples able to make bookings with our exhibitors.'

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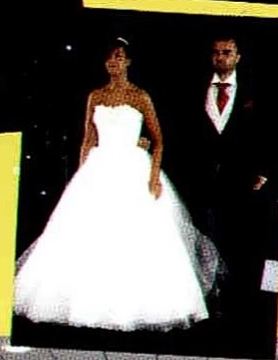
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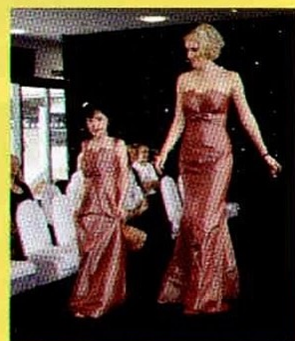
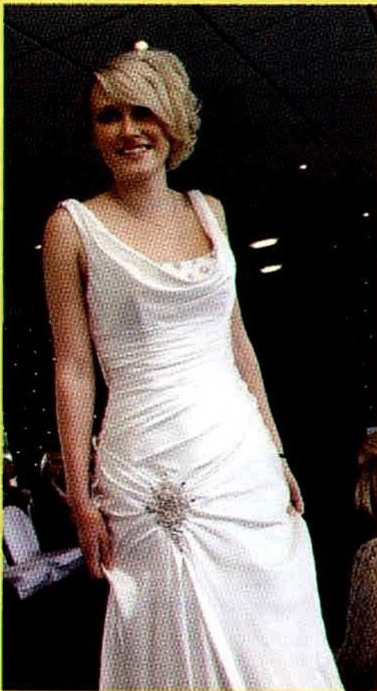




# the CATWALK



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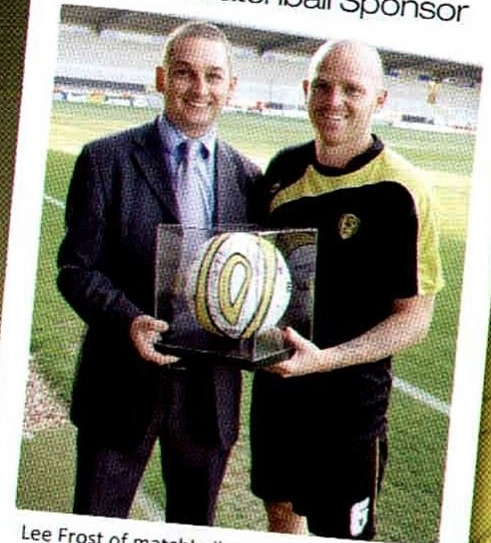
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## Albion Social Inclusion

Burton Albion Football Club are proud to announce the production of the first ever Engagement Programme as part of the Burton Albion Community Trust. The Engagement Project is part of the Social Inclusion section of the Trust and aims to include young people aged 12 – 19 in football participation, during the peak times of high teen crime rates.

There are currently four different Engagement Projects set up in the local community, these projects have been spread across the Burton area to target as many individuals as possible. The venues selected are Eton Park (Wednesday), Canterbury Road (Thursday) and Anglesey Primary School (Friday), with all the sessions running from 6pm – 9pm. The venues, dates and particularly the times of the session have been shaped and advised by meetings with our many partners including both the police and the youth services.

The latest of the projects to be launched is at Meadowside Leisure Centre, a venue chosen due to the high quality facilities and the centralized location to the town centre.

At this venue young people aged 14 – 18 will have the unique opportunity to participate in the Brazilian 5 a side football game called 'FUTSAL', this form of the game allows players to express themselves as footballers and as individuals, providing the basis for players to show their ability and skills whilst promoting fair play and respect.

These sessions have been organised to provide free football for individuals who are currently not engaging, people participating in Anti Social Behaviour, or just members of the local community interested in, or enjoy playing football. The sessions have been formed short term to provide something for the local communities, reduce boredom, and hopefully provide enjoyment for individuals

participating, whilst reducing particular crime rates through playing football.

One of the key reasons for the success at all three of the Engagement Programme Projects across the Burton area is the close relations and key partnerships BACT have created within the local community, these partnerships include such organizations as East Staffordshire Police, East Staffordshire Borough Council, Staffordshire F.A., Trent and Dove Housing, Targeted Youth Support Team, School Sports Partnership, The Fire Services, amongst many others whose contributions have been both generous and essential.

For anybody interested in participating in our sessions they are open to all and everyone is welcome,

Area	Venue	Day	Time
Eton	Eton Park	Wednesday	6pm – 9pm
Winshill	Canterbury Road Park	Thursday	6pm – 9pm
Anglesey	Anglesey Primary School	Friday	6pm – 9pm
Burton Town Centre	Meadowside Leisure Centre	Thursday	6pm – 7.30pm (Ages 14 - 16) 7.30pm – 9pm (Ages 17- 19)



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A WORD WITH...

# Nathan Stanton

Burton Albion have been boosted by the news that central defender Nathan Stanton will not be sidelined for the rest of the season as expected, instead the former Rochdale centre back could return in time for the end of October.

Stanton was due to undergo an operation to correct a disorder with his patella, but has now undergone a much less invasive procedure which will allow him to return in a little over a month's time.

Speaking after his operation Stanton said, 'When the surgeon told me it was only going to be six to eight weeks I was delighted. I'm back now doing my rehab and I'm hoping it will be even quicker. There's no rush as originally it was going to be between six and nine months.

'I was in there (hospital) for six hours. It was an in and out job really, nothing too major. I've had the operation before and I was in a knee brace for two months. I was none wait bearing and I didn't even go out of my house for about two months. It was a massive relief this time around when he said it would only be six to eight weeks.

'I wasn't thinking too much about the injury, I was thinking about the future. It's given me hope and fingers crossed I can get back playing soon and help

Burton get promotion.

'I had a lot of good well wishes from the lads, it was brilliant and kept my spirits up when originally I thought it was going to be six to nine months. I'm really delighted and the lads have been great.'

'To be honest it had been the best I've felt. I had a full pre-season, I just missed the Telford game when I got a little injury before the match. I've felt fine and then I played against Burnley, finished the game, and two days later my knee swelled up and things deteriorated from there.'

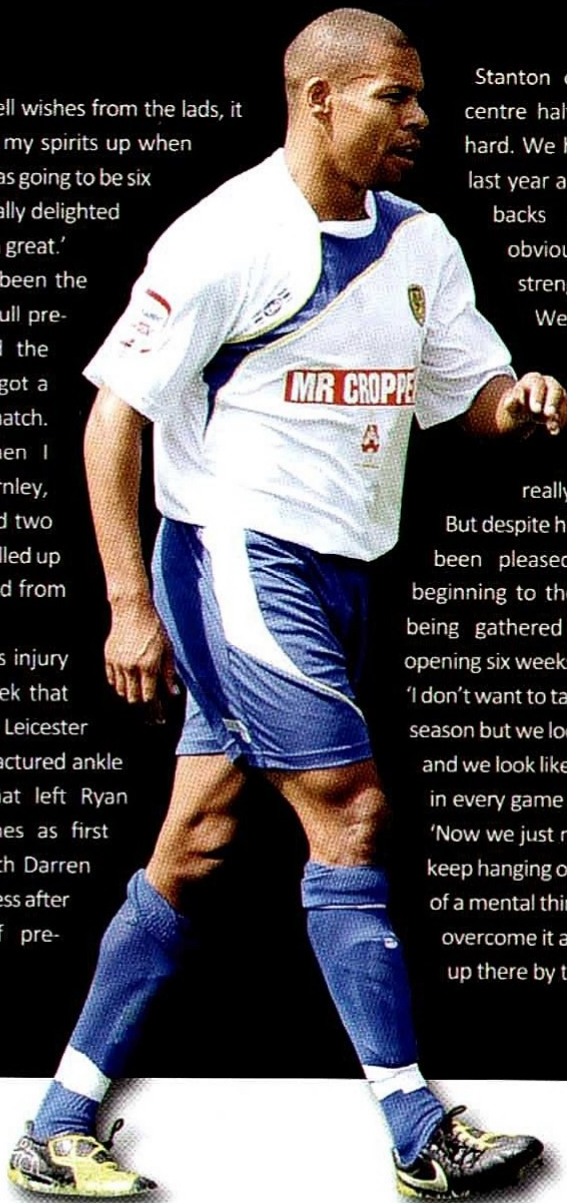
The news of Stanton's injury came in the same week that Tom Parkes returned to Leicester City after suffering a fractured ankle against Port Vale. That left Ryan Austin and Tony James as first choice entre backs with Darren Moore returning to fitness after missing a section of pre-season.

Stanton continued, 'They say centre halves are meant to be hard. We had a lot of problems last year as well with the centre backs getting injured so obviously the gaffer has strengthened and kept five.

We're down to three now but people can slot in there and whoever has had to play has done really well.'

But despite his absence Stanton has been pleased with the Brewers beginning to the season with points being gathered consistently in the opening six weeks.

'I don't want to talk too much about last season but we look more solid this year and we look like we are going to score in every game as well,' said Stanton. 'Now we just need to make sure we keep hanging on to wins. That's more of a mental thing but I'm sure we will overcome it and I'm sure we will be up there by the end of the season.'





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## Nathan Stanton

Squad number: 4

Previous clubs: Rochdale, Scunthorpe

Position: Defender

Nathan is a much respected defender who played an instrumental part on Rochdale's promotion from League 2 in 2009-10. 150 appearances for the Spotland club over four years made him a favourite amongst the fans for his pacy and tough tackling performances after joining the club from Scunthorpe United. Although originally from Nottingham, 'Stanno' began his career as a trainee with The Iron making his Football League debut as a sixteen year old against Scarborough in 1998. Quickly established himself at Glanford Park making over 250 appearances in seven years with the club and even captaining the side at the age of seventeen. His consistent performances earned him several selections for the divisional select XI at the end of season awards. Nathan's move to Rochdale coincided with an upturn in the fortunes of the Lancashire side with two play-off appearances (including Nathan's only goal of his senior career to date) and an automatic promotion. Rejecting a one year deal to stay with Dale Nathan accepted a two year contract to become a pivotal part of Albion's defence.

### FACT FILE

Name: Nathan Stanton

Nationality: English

Date of Birth: 06/05/1981

Height: 5' 9" (175cm)

Weight: 12st 6lbs (78.99kg)



Burton  
**Albion**



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**Stanton**

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# League News

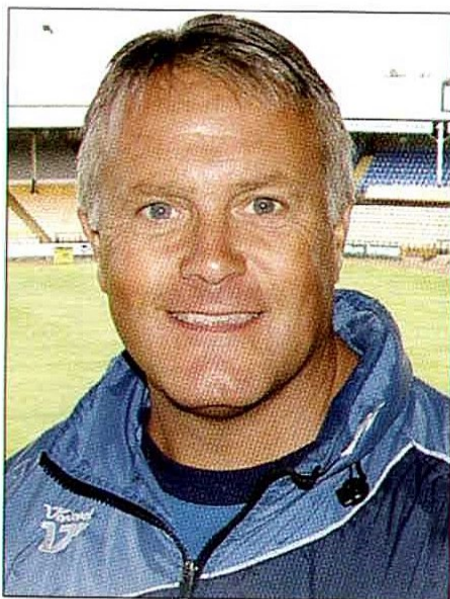
Saturday September 17th v Swindon Town

With Ian Hawkins

## Blue - Sky thinking cheers Vale boss

Port Vale manager Micky Adams is hopeful that the sizeable investment from Blue Sky International will allow him the chance to strengthen his squad.

The American sports construction firm will initially contribute £5m to the running of the League Two club. "If I think there's a player that can improve the team, I'm sure they'll be open-minded to that suggestion," the Vale boss told BBC Radio Stoke. "What I don't want to do is bring someone in just for the sake of it." Adams, who is also a director at Port Vale, continued: "It can upset the dressing room so we'll look at it closely. If there's anybody that we feel can improve the team, not the squad, I'll put it to the new board."



## Purcell in tune with Darlo

Darlington have re-signed striker Tadhg Purcell on a one-month loan deal from League Two side Northampton Town. Purcell, 26, who missed much of last season through injury, scored six goals in 22 games for the Quakers before moving to Northampton in June 2010. "Tadhg has done very well to come back from a bad injury," said Cobblers boss Gary Johnson. "He is now at the stage where he needs regular, competitive first team games. He is ready for first team football." Former Quakers boss Steve Staunton signed Purcell from Shamrock Rovers in January 2010, where the Irishman had scored 30 goals in 112 games.



Crawley have signed Colchester defender Tom Eastman on a one-month loan deal. The 19-year-old centre-back has made one appearance for the U's following a summer move from Ipswich. Reds boss Steve Evans told the club website: "Given our short-term injury crisis it was important we brought a central defender in. "Tom is a big lad and a natural defender. He is also someone who can come out of defence with the ball and play, which was important to us." Crawley defenders Pablo Mills, John Dempster and Kyle McFadzean are all currently on the sidelines and they lost 6-0 to Morecambe on Saturday.



## Coleman needs a cutting edge from slow-start Stanley

Accrington Stanley manager John Coleman believes his side can have another good season in League Two. The Lancashire club reached the play-off semi-finals last season but then saw key duo Phil Edwards and Jimmy Ryan leave for League One clubs. "It was all doom and gloom at the end of the season when we lost a load of players," Coleman, Stanley boss since 1999, told BBC Radio Lancashire. "Slowly we're getting a set of lads together who want to work hard." Stanley are 16th in League Two having collected 10 points from eight games following Tuesday's 1-1 draw against Rotherham. Coleman added: "We're still disappointed that we haven't won and that's a benchmark on where we want to be. "We want to win our home games, then points away from home become favourable. But it's there for people to see. "I'm getting a team that is prepared to play passing, attacking football when it's allowed and if we can improve our cutting edge going forward, we can be a match for anyone."

## League 2 2011-12

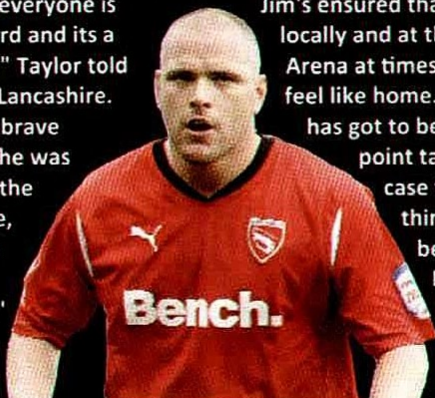
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24 Plymouth	8	0	0	4	1	9	0	1	3	2	8	-14	1

## Shrimps banking on Bentley bonus

Morecambe chief executive Rod Taylor has praised the start manager Jim Bentley has made to management.

The Shrimps are on a seven game unbeaten run in League Two and currently sit on top of the table. "I can't say that we saw it coming but its been a great start everyone is working hard and its a real bonus," Taylor told BBC Radio Lancashire. "Jim was a brave choice but he was absolutely the right choice, he was the stand out candidate."

Bentley succeeded



Sammy McIlroy who left the Lancashire club by mutual consent at the end of last season. Taylor added: "We didn't really get going at all last season, especially at home but its been a complete contrast this year. "The boys have based themselves at Morecambe, Jim's ensured that training is locally and at the Globe Arena at times to make it feel like home. "Our first aim has got to be that 48-50 point target that's the case for any club I think. "Anything beyond that is a bonus and we've got to be optimistic."

## Hessenthaler juggles his pack

Gillingham boss Andy Hessenthaler says he will be making some big changes to his side - unless they can get back to winning ways at Hereford on Saturday.

Gills 1-0 defeat to Southend on Tuesday means they have picked up just one point from their last four games. Hessenthaler told BBC Radio Kent: "I think it's people not performing - simple as that. "It's got to change, and it's got to change very quickly. We may have to juggle the pack." He added: "If people aren't going to start doing their jobs properly for 90 plus minutes, then we need to get players that are going to, because we need to start winning games again. "We've got to win our next two games - it's as simple as that, because we're not winning games. "We've got to go and win at Hereford and we've got to at home to Burton. If we do that we'll be three points off our target - which won't be the end of the world."





# ACTION REPLAY

## Albion v Plymouth Argyle

npower League 2  
Venue: Pirelli Stadium  
Date: September 3 2011



### Albion

#### STARTING XI

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### Plymouth Argyle

#### STARTING XI

JAKE COLE

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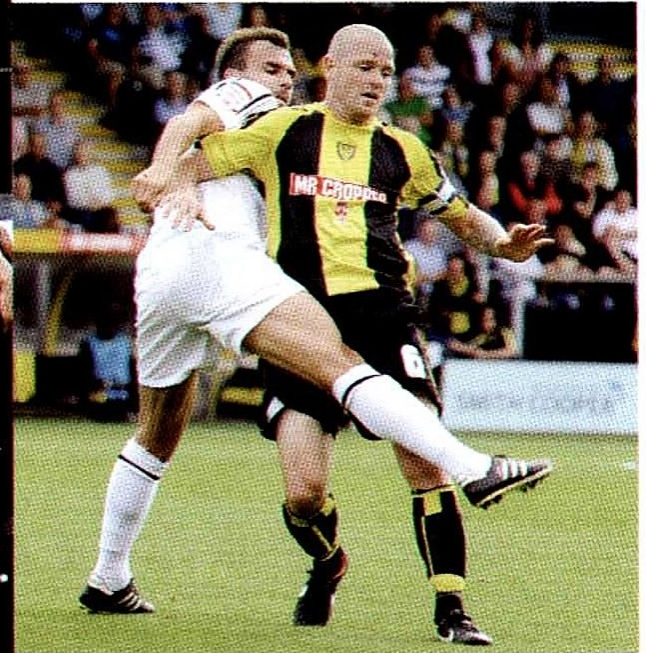
### The Manager...

We just fell sleep in the final minutes of the game which is something we need to eradicate. We were 2-0 and cruising, comfortable, the next thing you know we fall asleep at a set piece and Ross had made a fantastic save. We let them get back into a game they shouldn't have been in.



## Summary

Burton Albion secured their first home win of the season thanks to goals from Justin Richards and Calvin Zola as struggling Plymouth Argyle were put to the sword at the Pirelli Stadium. Richards opened the scoring in first half stoppage time with a well taken goal to make it three in as many matches and Zola scrambled home a second to give the Brewers breathing space with a little over half an hour to go. Home nerves were jangling at the end though as on loan midfielder Will Atkinson netted from close range in stoppage time at the end of the game.



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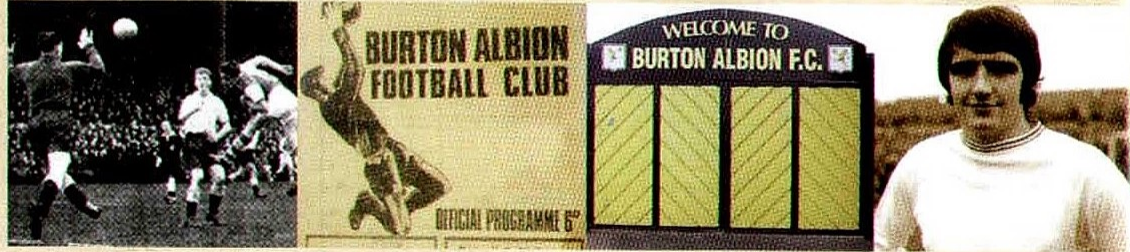
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# Archive Corner

Chris Wood



**This week we take a look at the career of the Brewers third manager, William Sneddon, in our series focussing on the early days of the Club during the Birmingham League era.**

**William Sneddon  
(July 1952 – May 1953)**

Burton Albion's third manager William Cleland Sneddon, was appointed less than four weeks before the start of the 1952 – 1953 season, with the club's directors having overseen the re-signing of most of the players retained from the previous term, plus several new professional and amateur signings.

Sneddon was the licensee of the new Inn, Coppice Side, Swadlincote, having recently moved From Milford Haven, South Wales, where he had been player-coach at the town's Welsh Senior League club for several seasons, prior to which he had



enjoyed a professional career at the highest level. Although, aged 38, he was still able to play, the

club revealed that he would only turn out if the need arose but would train with the players in his managers' role.

The second Scot to be in charge during Albion's short existence, Sneddon was born at Wishaw, near Glasgow, in 1914 and showed fine form and ability at Scottish League clubs Hamilton and Falkirk before commanding a £4000 transfer fee when moving south to Brentford in June 1937 (pictured). The hitherto unfashionable London club had risen quickly through the divisions during the 1930's and finished in the top six of Division 1 in season 1935-36 and 1936-37. Sneddon made a good start to his career in England, missing just three games during the 1937-38 term, with Brentford again finishing 6th in Division 1 after heading the table for much of the season. He lost his first team left half spot towards the end of 1938-39 (27 appearances, 2 goals) and joined Second Division Swansea during the summer of 1939.

After only three games of 1939-1940, WW2 broke out, the Football League programme was

postponed and, like so many players of his generation, he lost his best footballing years during the hostilities. He did return to Brentford for two seasons of the Wartime League and played left half at Wembley when his team beat Portsmouth 2-0 in the London War Cup final in May 1942, in front of 72,000 spectators.

He was back with Swansea for the final wartime season (1945-46) and played just twice in 1946-47 before being transferred to Newport County in October 1946. After 18 games for the Second Division club he made his last Football League appearances in May 1947, moving to Milford Haven for the 1947-48 campaign, holding a position as player-coach for four years, prior to re-locating to the Burton area.

Sneddon took up his position at the end of July 1952 and rekindled public interest with a total of almost 3500 spectators turning up for the two pre-season practise games. His only major signings prior to the Birmingham League kick off were Platts ex-Chesterfield and Forest keeper,



and Malcolm Thomas, a 21 year old wing half, known to him at Milford Haven and Swansea.

The two opening home games were won with almost 5000 fans at each of the Birmingham League fixtures against Aston Villa and Brush Sports but, during September 1952, only one of eight matches ended in victory for Albion as exits were made from four cup competitions. The team's defensive positions were causing problems and Sneddon himself turned out in an unfamiliar left back position for two games towards the end of the month. The new manager then took action and brought in experienced full backs Arthur Green and Snowball, along with winger Tom Russell, and the team's fortunes took a turn for the better. From early October to mid December 1952 nine out of ten Birmingham League games were won with nine goals being rattled past both Whitwick Colliery and Wellington Reserves, plus a 5-0 victory over Tamworth, on Staffordshire Senior Cup duty.

The good form, with Sneddon fielding a settled side, continued though into the following March, with Albion 2nd place in the Birmingham League chart, close behind leaders Owestry. At the beginning of April 1953 nine Birmingham League fixtures remained but, with two defeats over Easter, any chances of the titled disappeared with a 0-2 defeat at Brush Sports midway through the month. In fact, only 6

points were gained during the final 5 weeks of the term and the team were also beaten by Port Vale in the semi-final of the Staffordshire Senior Cup. Albion finished 4th in the Birmingham League – the highest position to date – but at the end of April 1953 the club parted company with its third manager in just 18 months.

Sneddon tendered his resignation, which was reluctantly accepted by the directors, who thanked him for his services over the past 9 months. Sneddon was of the opinion that the Board thought that the team's loss of form in recent weeks was due to bad management and that the subsequent lack of confidence in his abilities gave him no option but to resign. It was agreed by all parties that it would be in the club's best interests to appoint a player manager at the earliest opportunity.

Sneddon's record in charge was good, 26 games won out of 51 played, with only 14 being lost and a goals tally of 122 for and 68 against. It had been an exciting season for the supporters and they showed their appreciation by the numbers that attended games at Wellington Street – over 180,000 in all between August 1952 and May 1953.

He left the club after the final Birmingham League game in 2nd May 1953 and eleven days later his successor was named.

Sneddon died at the age of 81, in 1995.

IT had to happen. The moment that Aaron McLean was named in Hull's team to face Peterborough last weekend, you just knew he would put his old club to the sword.

Sure enough, the man who scored 82 goals in four years at London Road pounced to volley home a spectacular winner – devastating the fans who once adored him.

McLean, who didn't celebrate the goal, joins a long list of players who have returned to haunt their former clubs – some with devastating consequences.

### Denis Law

UNDOUBTEDLY the most famous case in living memory, and one that still haunts Law today.

Part of the 'United Trinity' with Bobby Charlton and George Best, Law scored 237 goals in 404 games for United, winning two league titles, an FA Cup and European Player of the Year award.

His 11-year stay finally ended in 1973 when he was granted a free transfer to arch rivals Manchester City. The pair met on the final day of the 1973-74 season with United needing a win to stay up but Law's cheeky backheel condemned his old side to relegation.

"I was inconsolable," he said in 2010. "I didn't want it to happen. How long did the feeling last? How long ago was the game? Thirty-odd years. There is your answer. I played with all those guys. They were pals. I didn't want them down. It was the last thing in the world that I wanted."

Law, by then 34, was immediately substituted and

retired at the end of the season.

### Gary McAllister

A £3m signing from Leeds in 1996, McAllister's displays in the heart of Coventry's midfield ensured he became a big favourite at Highfield Road.

When he left in 2000, snapped up on a surprise free transfer by Liverpool at the age of 35, he had scored 26 goals in 140 games for the Sky Blues.

By then, Coventry were struggling big time and, in April 2001, they welcomed Liverpool needing a win to stand any realistic chance of staying in the Premiership.

Sadly, they encountered a rejuvenated McAllister in the form of his life. First, the Scot swung in a corner that was headed in by Sami Hyypia. Then, just moments from the end, McAllister scored a 30-yard free kick to effectively send his old club down.

McAllister, head bowed, trudged back to the halfway line without even acknowledging the goal.

### David Villa

LIKE McLean and Gary McAllister, some players refuse to celebrate scoring against former clubs. Spanish superstar Villa went one step further.

Playing for Valencia in 2009, Villa netted a penalty against Sporting Gijon, the club where he made his name and still supports. He then ran to their supporters, put his hands together and pleaded for forgiveness.





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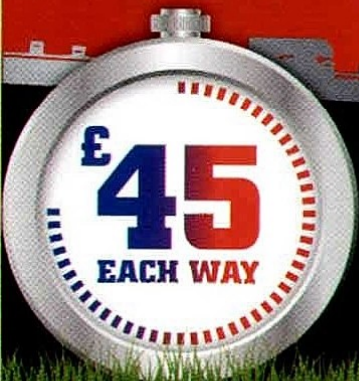
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# “ Brewers ” Comment

Nigel Powlson

ONE of the highlights of the football calendar in our early years in the Conference was the away trip to Scarborough. A weekend on the North York Moors in a lovely B&B we found combined with an away game for the Brewers always seemed the perfect getaway (even if the weather invariably let us down).

Sadly, that fixture will never happen again. Scarborough, founded in 1879, were one of the oldest football clubs in the country and had a colourful history that included being taken into the Football League by Neil Warnock after he left the Brewers for the Yorkshire coast club in the late 1980s.

Scarborough had their downs in the Football League, and were often scrapping to avoid relegation, but they also had a few ups - including play off battles, drawing Arsenal in the FA Cup and beating Chelsea in the League Cup in a replay after drawing at Stamford Bridge. They spent 12 years in the Football League.

But in 2007 they played their last ever game. Having been relegated from the Football League and then the Conference top division they were facing another demotion to the Northern Premier League when they were wound up with debts of £2.5m.

There were no rescue bids, no rising from the ashes and today Scarborough has two smaller clubs, unconnected with the old that are further away from the Football League than we are from the Premiership.

This would be sad if it was a solitary tale of woe that only effected one town or city but this is a football story that has been repeated



Holt House Stadium, Colne

up and down the country time and time again. Remember Maidstone United who were one of the early beneficiaries of promotion rather than election to the Football League? Probably not, I guess as they no longer exist They collapsed after three years in the Football League in 1992.

And Colne Dynamos anyone? After a rapid rise through the non-league ranks, promotion to the Conference and talk of the Football League they folded in 1990.

And will we be soon adding Plymouth to that list?

Only a few years ago they were challenging for promotion to the Premiership, now they have one foot in the Conference, having gone into administration and when they played the Brewers recently nearly had a players' revolt on their hands. Only when they got 40 per cent of the wages they were due for August did the players agree to play at the Pirelli.

I don't envy Plymouth fans and I'm consistently grateful that, by stark contrast, Burton Albion is a well run club. Under chairman Ben Robinson the Brewers have built for the future by living within our means. Sound financial planning being the order of the day.

So the best news that the club could have was that the annual accounts shows that profits have risen by 55% for the year which ended in May.

That means the club announced a trading profit of £84,400, having returned a profit of £54,310 the previous year.

The year's turnover figure rose 33% to hit £2.5m, compared to £1.9m the previous year.

That shows that the club is growing off the field and that unlike so many of our rivals, the Brewers future is secure.

Ben Robinson said: "I'm pleased with the profit but we still have a lot of scope, albeit in difficult times, to build on our commercial revenues.

"We continue to control our costs as carefully as possible but last year, again, we made a further substantial investment in the playing squad."

And that's what most fans want. Investment in the squad to take the club forward.

But that can only happen as and when we can afford it, because otherwise you quickly get into trouble.

And as fans of Scarborough will surely tell us, the most important thing isn't always winning matches, it's surviving to fight



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# Topically Speaking

Colston Crawford



SO that was 100 games in the Football League on Tuesday night. Doesn't time fly when you're having fun?

It was fitting, I think, that the team turned on one of the very best performances, perhaps THE best, among those 100. More than ever, they looked completely at home in the game against Crewe Alexandra with the physical demands of life in the Football League, although we have to remember that there are a fair few teams who will fight fire with fire a little more than Crewe.

It was a classic example of winning a physical battle, therefore allowing yourself the chance to play your football. It's something that's often called for by managers and it's easy to forget that the other team's manager has called for exactly the same.

The Brewers' passing, the understanding between the players and their ability to keep the ball were spot on and I, for one, am not too concerned that there was only one goal.

To a large extent, those are matters of chance; another day you get four or five from fewer chances.

Another thing that did not concern me was watching the Brewers playing the ball sideways across midfield when there wasn't an option going forward. One or two fans, even in the wake of such a fine display, had a whinge about that and there were people shouting for them to "get it forward."

Perhaps they don't hear the manager shouting "keep the ball" frequently. There's nothing wrong with going in a direction that enables you to keep the ball until an opening presents itself.

Anyway, that first half against Crewe goes down as a favourite, for me, among the 100 Football League games.

What is there to rival it?

Well, two from the first month in the Football League for a start. The first win, against Morecambe, was a lovely effort, a 5-2 thrashing which immediately demonstrated that we would not be out of place in this company.

Then there was the 3-2 win over Northampton Town a couple of weeks later. Two goals for Michael Simpson and a 3-0 lead inside 11 minutes... it seemed too good to be true and it was, as we ended up hanging on at 3-2.

The 6-1 win over Aldershot Town was especially satisfying, with Greg Pearson (pictured below with the matchball) scoring



Burton's first Football League hat-trick, one with his right, one with his left and even one with his head!

How about the 4-3 win at Hereford United, from 3-1 down, with Tony James heading a late winner, against his old club?

The second season did not offer up so many highs among the league games, it has to be said.

Shaun Harrad's hat-trick to get back a 3-0 deficit away at Rotherham was memorable. Both league wins over Chesterfield were special, given that the Brewers had been second-best to the Spireites the previous season.

But, actually, a defeat stands out for me in that season. I have never come away from a defeat feeling more positive than when we lost 1-0 at Bury late in the season.

The team coach arrived late after an accident on the M6, the referee refused to postpone the kick-off and the odds were stacked against. Burton then played Bury (who were on their way to promotion) off the park and did not deserve to lose the game.

Afterwards, the mood among the players and the supporters was that things had turned around, despite the result. The belief was back. The team did not lose again that season and stayed up as a result.

So those are my specific highlights from the first two seasons and a bit. But there remains a highlight every single time we beat or take points off any of those teams who think they're bigger than they are.

"We shouldn't be losing to the likes of Burton Albion," opposition fans will moan.

Every time I hear that phrase – "the likes of" – it makes me laugh. They just don't get it.

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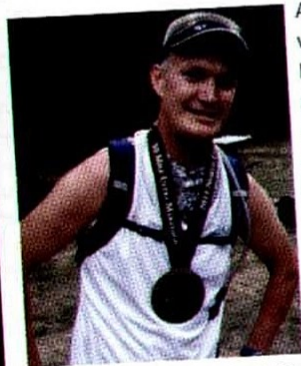


Wayne Rooney's son Kai has been most affected by Mikel Arteta's switch to Arsenal after his mum Coleen revealed on Twitter that his Everton kit had Arteta on the back. The last-gasp deal may have cost Arsenal a cool £10million, but the real inconvenience has hit home in the Rooney camp with Coleen now forced to update little Kai's jersey.



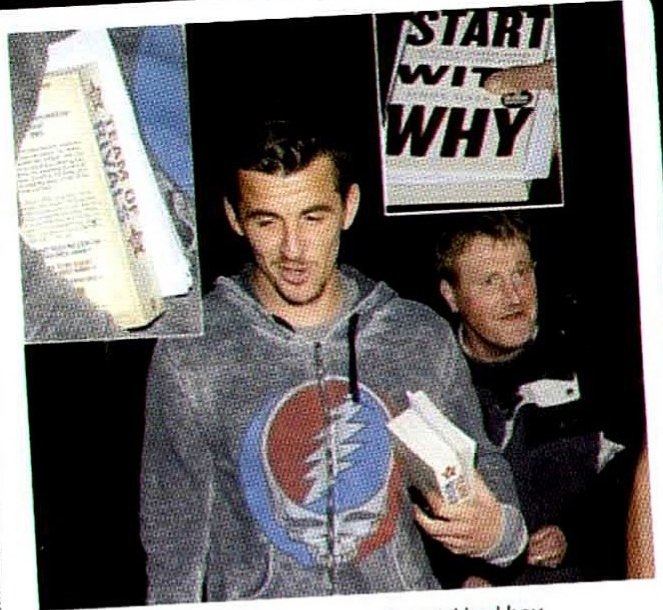
It's no secret that Kai is a Toffee through and through; with his Dad posting a recent picture of his son on Twitter wearing in his Everton kit - and breaking the hearts of Manchester United fans who thought he might one day eclipse his father at Old Trafford.

Following the deadline day transfer, Coleen before the nursery run managed to let her twitter followers know the latest drama to sweep the Rooney household. Nonetheless a quick trip to the Everton superstore beckons for poor Coleen, who'll have to fork out another £44 for Kai's new Everton shirt, shorts and socks.



A 50-mile run is an incredible challenge. Try it with your jaw wired shut. Brandon Mulnix of Lowell in western Michigan accomplished the feat last month when he competed in the North Country Trail Run in the Manistee National Forest. He told The Daily News of Greenville that he consumed only liquid nutrition while running for more than 12 hours.

"As an experienced ultra-marathon runner I wanted to challenge the community by doing something extreme," Mulnix said. "Last year at this race I had to quit at 25 miles into the race due to overheating. The chances of me finishing this year were even less, but I like a challenge." Mulnix, 32, still is recovering from a car crash in February. A major fracture on the right side of his jaw didn't heal, and a plate holding the jaw together broke. Doctors wired his jaw 10 days before the race.



It seems QPR new boy Joey Barton really does practice what he preaches after he was spotted donating money to an apparent beggar while carrying philosophical readings about Abraham Lincoln and consumerism following a trip to a private members' club in London. It's been well documented that Barton likes to get deep - especially on his Twitter feed, where the likes of Nietzsche, Orwell, Virgil, Seneca and Aristotle have been quoted by the

reformed bad boy. As he left the Bohemian-inspired Groucho Club in Soho, though, Barton was also kind enough to donate to the less fortunate - offering a 20 euro note to a colourful street beggar, who attempted to befriend London's newest cool kid. The gesture might have been a ploy, with some female attention coming Barton's way from a lovely young lady dressed in bright green pants. We're such sceptics, aren't we?

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# Burton Albion to host first ever FA WSL Continental Cup Final



Burton Albion are looking forward to hosting the first ever Women's Super League Continental Cup Final, to be played next Sunday at 2.15pm.

The Final follows on from a hugely successful launch of The FA WSL this year, the first ever summer elite semi-professional league for women's football in this country which was won on the last day of the season by Arsenal, with Birmingham City runners up.

The eight WSL teams then moved onto The FA WSL Continental Cup – a knock-out competition played through September – competing to become the first ever FA WSL Continental Cup winners.

Burton Albion Commercial Director, Fleur Robinson, said: "We are absolutely delighted to be hosting The FA WSL Continental Cup Final, and we feel that this showpiece event will have a real impact on the women's game in Burton upon Trent and the surrounding areas.

"We are extremely pleased that Burton Albion has been selected to host such a high profile event in the women's calendar allowing for a superb family day to be held at the stadium. We are hoping for a large attendance and a great atmosphere on the day with some of the most high profile women footballers on display."

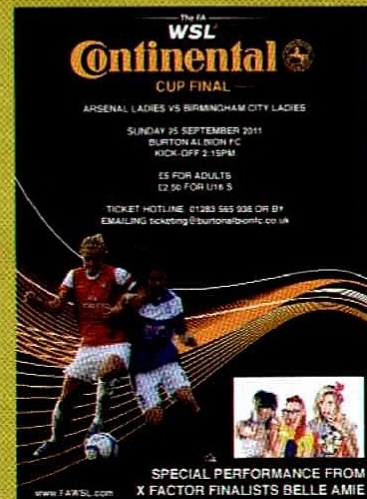
Continental Tyres, one of the four partners for the WSL, will be showcasing their Shot Stopper programme ahead of the kick off. Developed by Keith Rees, Senior England Women's Goalkeeping Coach at

The FA, the programme looks to drive participation of girls into the game, in particular to develop goalkeepers and goalkeeping skills of girls under 16 by testing their skills in a series of specialist goalkeeper skills tests and training drills in a fun, enjoyable environment.

Sponsorship Manager at Continental Tyres, Tim Bailey, said: "We have been delighted by the number of girls who have attended the Shot Stoppers events throughout the country and also the media coverage and support from the clubs that we have received. We have also been pleased by the range of abilities that we have seen from those trying Goal Keeping for the first time through to talented young Keepers from The FA Centres of Excellence. We wish all the clubs the best of luck for the remainder of the season and look forward to a fun packed day at Burton."

The final will also be the sixth live match to be featured on ESPN in The FA WSL's debut season. The live matches, alongside a weekly highlights programme on Tuesday evenings, have given the new league a great platform to consistently showcase the quality and competitiveness of the WSL to a wider football audience.

Tickets are on now and available from Burton Albion costing £5 for adults and £2.50 for children and OAP's (Under-16s and over- 65s), or £10 for a family of four. A group booking discount (minimum 15 people with one adult per 10 children) is available at the cost of £3 for adults and £2 for children. This is bookable in advance only.



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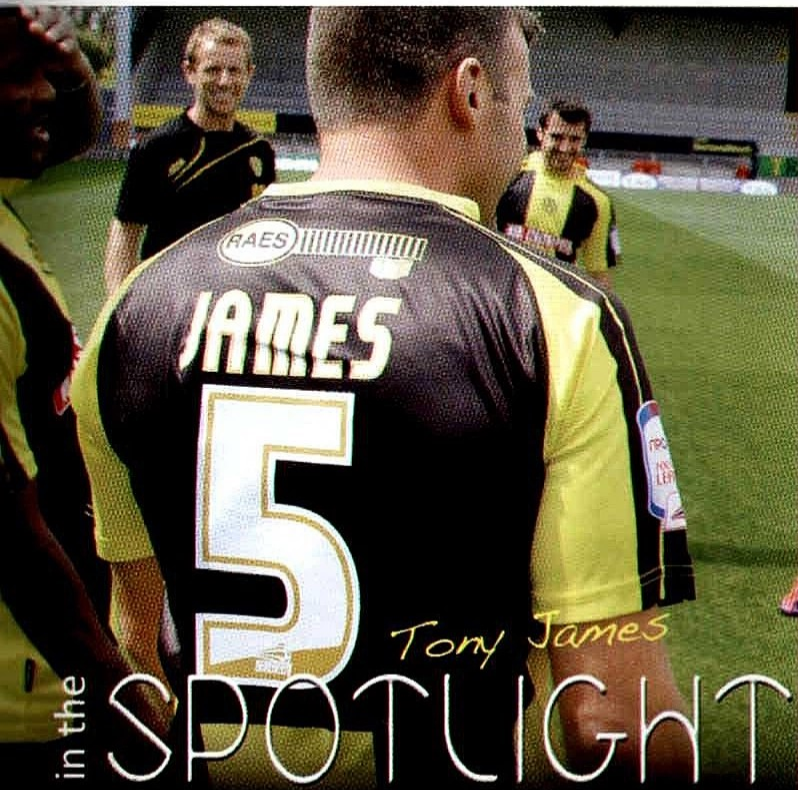
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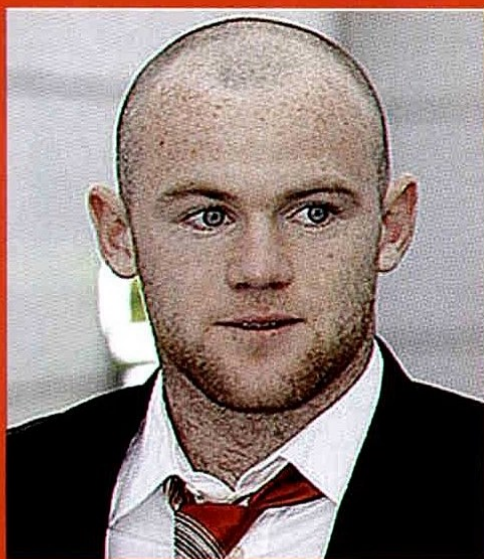
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Apparently Wayne Rooney has spent a fortune trying to combat premature baldness and it seems to be working. It has even been suggested that his rejuvenated thatch is partly responsible for his vastly improved form so far this season because now he can concentrate on his football instead of worrying about his appearance.

Someone who hasn't had to worry too much about premature baldness is Robbie Savage. Over the years he has probably been as proud of his long blond hair as he has pretended to be for his reputation as one of the most disliked footballers around although I suspect that like most human beings he would much prefer to be loved. But like Marmite Man or not, surely it would be churlish not to give him credit for the way he has switched, almost seamlessly, from footballer to

media star. Rather like a manager who begins his managerial career in the Premier League instead of doing his apprenticeship in the lower divisions, Robbie has by-passed the local media (unless you count his notorious spat with BBC Radio Derby's Colin Gibson and the occasional interview with the same station) and soared immediately to the giddy heights of national radio. Not only has he been acting as co-commentator or summariser on Premier League matches on the BBC's Radio 5 Live, he has been co-hosting phone-in programmes too and has also been spotted on the American television channel ESPN.

I gave up on phone-in programmes years ago but I have heard him in summarising mode and I think he is pretty good at it. His appeal which has already resulted in a Sony award for the best newcomer stems mainly from his enthusiasm and the way he wears his heart on his sleeve which, unfortunately, will probably get him into trouble eventually if he's not careful. But now, as if all that wasn't enough, Robbie Savage is going to take up dancing.

Sadly, rather like the EuroVision Song Contest which is dominated by politics instead of singing, voting in Strictly Come Dancing has little to do with dancing and more to do with the cult of personality and an ability to evoke the sympathy vote. Some might claim that Robbie has been something of a cult figure for a long time but whether or not he will muster enough sympathy from viewers we will have to wait to find out. Nevertheless, don't be surprised if he goes a long way although, cruelly, some detractors might add, the further the better.







One thing that supporters of football clubs in the lower leagues should be grateful for is that they are not directly affected by these irritating gaps in the fixtures to accommodate international matches. Their weekly fix of football carries on undisturbed whereas Premier League followers and even supporters of Championship clubs have to endure a blank weekend. On the positive side though, it does present an opportunity to most of them including long distance followers of the likes of Manchester United and Chelsea to discover their local club. It seemed to me that the Euro 2012 qualifier between England and Wales (above) a

couple of weeks ago was rather like an average mid-table Premier League side taking on a half-decent Championship outfit in the Carling Cup with the latter playing above their normal standard. Surely, it has to go down as one of the most boring games of football ever inflicted on the paying public. Things are no better in the other home countries either - worse actually. No wonder Paul Ince has joined a growing list of ex-players questioning the commitment of some of Capello's squad. Sadly, we can't consign the whole sorry episode to history because it starts all over again in three weeks' time.

If I had been a professional footballer (which was never a remote possibility considering I wasn't very good and went to a school where you were forced to chuck an egg shaped object around) I would have avoided football phone-in programmes like the plague.

The same would probably apply to internet message boards too even though, rather like phone-in programmes, they are supposed to be a way of allowing fans put forward their various points of view on how the club is being run on and off the field which is fair enough. The trouble is, not only are they infiltrated by fans of rival clubs with obvious results, they only seem to prosper when things are going badly and then it's all gloom and doom. Then there are the posters who like to think they have access to privileged or semi-confidential information. So just imagine how disconcerting it must be for a footballer to discover a message saying that the manager is about to offload you only to discover that it has come from a chap who knows someone who has spoken to another fellow in a pub who overheard a woman on a bus who found out from an aunty who works in the club's ticket office.





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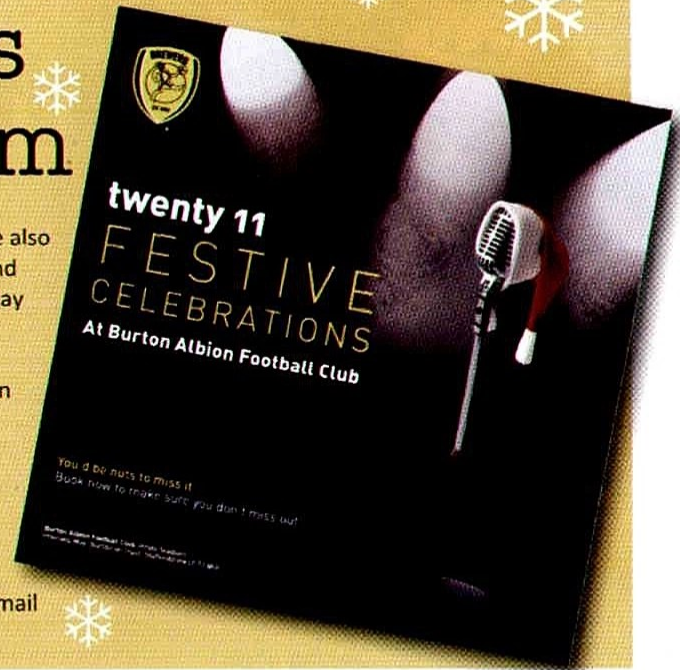
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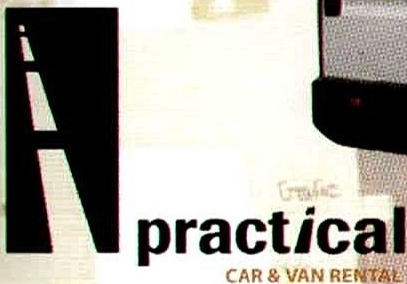
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# CORNER

**G**ood afternoon! And welcome to the Pirrelli Stadium for today's game! And welcome to Swindon Town. We do like to see as many away fans here as possible, but we also like to see them leave at the end of the day without any points. So let's hope that happens today.

After Tuesday's game against Crewe, I think that taking 3 points here today shouldn't be a tough feat, especially if we play like we did first half. In the second half, Crewe posed a bit more of a threat, but we held on and ground out a result, and at the same time we created more opportunities for ourselves to score.

Swindon bring with them (well we hope they do) their manager, Paulo Di Canio. Another legend of the game. I can't wait to meet him, let's just hope that there are no post

match tunnel scuffles today! Well, not with me anyway!

Next Sunday sees the Women's Super League come to town, with Arsenal ladies taking on Birmingham City Ladies in the Continental Cup Final here at the Pirrelli Stadium, along with X Factor finalists Belle-Amie (pictured below), who will be singing 2 of their greatest hits before the game. So I can't wait for that! Obviously for their footballing and singing talents!

Well back to today, and lets hope that we can take all 3 points from the game and keep this scoring in every game stat going!

Enjoy the game  
**BE LOUD, BE PROUD**  
Billy



## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you spot the 5 differences in the pictures below?? We'll print the answers in our next programme if you get stuck. Good luck!



Answers from Crewe: 1: Websters right sock a different colour. 2: Extra T on Knott. 3: Atkins sock colour different. 4: Fletchers name removed from his shirt. 5: Top of Bolders sock is all black



# WORDsearch

Hidden in the grid are 15 words associated with autumn. See if you can find them by joining the letters. Words can go horizontally, vertically or diagonally. Good luck!

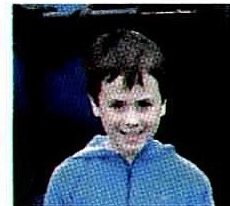
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### Today's Mascots



**Owen James Jury**  
Age: 10  
From: Woodville  
Favourite team: Man Utd & Burton Albion  
Favourite Player: Nani & Aaron Webster



**Jon-Davey Cornes**  
Age: 7  
From: Hilton  
Favourite Team: Burton Albion  
Favourite Player: Wayne Rooney



### Brewers' Mascots v Crewe Alexandra

The Brewers Matchday Mascots for our game against Crewe were Luke Humphries and George Hancock.



# BAFC STATISTICS




Date	Fixture	Res	Att	Pos
Sat Aug 6	Torquay United	A 2-2	3,142	9
Wed Aug 10	Burnley CC1	A 3-6	4,069	9
Sat Aug 13	Shrewsbury Town	H 1-1	2,989	16
Tue Aug 16	Port Vale	H 1-1	3,608	17
Sat Aug 20	Southend United	A 1-0	4,794	10
Sat Aug 27	Accrington Stanley	A 1-2	1,362	16
Tues Aug 30	Sheffield United (JPT)	H 1-2	2,725	16
Sat Sep 3	Plymouth Argyle	H 2-1	3,042	10
Sat Sep 10	Oxford United	A 2-2	8,043	10
Tue Sep 13	Crewe Alexandra	H 1-0	2,246	7
Sat Sep 17	Swindon Town	H		
Wed Sep 21	Carling Cup 3			
Sat Sep 24	Gillingham	A		
Sat Oct 1	Bradford City	H		
Sat Oct 8	Rotherham United	A		
Fri Oct 14	Cheltenham Town (7.45)	H		
Sat Oct 22	Bristol Rovers	H		
Tue Oct 25	Aldershot Town	A		
Wed Oct 26	Carling Cup 4			
Sat Oct 29	Barnet	A		
Sat Nov 5	Macclesfield Town	H		
Sat Nov 12	F.A. Cup 1			
Sat Nov 19	Hereford United	A		
Sat Nov 26	A.F.C. Wimbledon	H		
Wed Nov 30	Carling Cup 5			
Sat Dec 3	F.A. Cup 2			
Sat Dec 10	Crawley Town	A		
Sat Dec 17	Dagenham & Red	H		
Mon Dec 26	Northampton Town	A		
Sat Dec 31	Morecambe (1.00)	A		
Mon Jan 2	Hereford United	H		
Sat Jan 7	Accrington Stanley H (or F.A. Cup 3)			
Sat Jan 14	Plymouth Argyle	A		
Sat Jan 21	Bradford City	A		
Sat Jan 28	Oxford United H (or F.A. Cup 4)			
Sat Feb 4	Swindon Town	A		
Sat Feb 11	Gillingham	H		
Tue Feb 14	Crewe Alexandra	A		
Sat Feb 18	Rotherham United H (or F.A. Cup 5)			
Sat Feb 25	Cheltenham Town	A		
Sun Feb 26	Carling Cup Final			
Sat Mar 3	Southend United	H		
Tue Mar 6	Port Vale	A		
Sat Mar 10	Shrewsbury Town	A		
Sat Mar 17	Torquay United H (or F.A. Cup 6)			
Tue Mar 20	Northampton Town	H		
Sat Mar 24	A.F.C. Wimbledon	A		
Sat Mar 31	Crawley Town	H		
Fri Apr 6	Dagenham & Red (1.00)	A		
Mon Apr 9	Morecambe	H		
Sat Apr 14	Bristol Rovers A F.A. Cup Semi-Final			
Sat Apr 21	Aldershot Town	H		
Sat Apr 28	Macclesfield Town	A		
Sat May 5	Barnet H F.A. Cup Final			

1. KEVIN POOLE	2. PAUL BOERTIEN	3. AARON WEBSTER	4. NATHAN STANTON	5. TONY JAMES	6. JOHN McGRATH	7. DARREN MOORE	8. ANDREW CORBETT	9. JUSTIN RICHARDS	10. CALVIN ZOLA	11. CHRIS PALMER	12. ADI YUSSUF	13. CLEVELAND TAYLOR*	14. JAMES ELLISON	15. RYAN AUSTIN	16. TOM PARKES	17. JIMMY PHILLIPS	18. GREG PEARSON	19. JACQUES MAGHOMA	20. DANNY BLANCHETT	21.	22. JACK DYER	23. ROSS ATKINS	24.	25.	26. ADAM BOLDER	27.	28.	29. BILLY KEE
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1. KEVIN POOLE	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140	1	0
2. PAUL BOERTIEN	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	2	4
3. AARON WEBSTER	30	8	0	1	1	0	0	9	0	1	840	468	82	98
4. NATHAN STANTON	30	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	210	31	0	0
5. TONY JAMES	32	7	0	0	1	0	0	8	0	0	750	155	5	1
6. JOHN McGRATH	31	7	1	0	1	1	0	8	2	0	760	207	9	19
7. DARREN MOORE	37	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	93	36	3	0
8. ANDREW CORBETT	31	8	0	0	2	0	0	10	0	0	930	324	40	13
9. JUSTIN RICHARDS	30	8	0	7	2	0	1	10	0	8	849	10	0	8
10. CALVIN ZOLA	26	8	0	3	2	0	1	10	0	4	822	25	4	8
11. CHRIS PALMER	27	6	1	0	1	0	0	7	1	0	509	7	1	0
12. ADI YUSSUF	19	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	98	0	5	0
13. CLEVELAND TAYLOR	27	2	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	1	278	26	1	5
14. JAMES ELLISON	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
15. RYAN AUSTIN	26	5	2	0	1	0	0	6	2	0	547	201	44	7
16. TOM PARKES	19	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	262	28	2	1
17. JIMMY PHILLIPS	21	3	3	0	1	1	0	4	4	0	475	35	27	2
18. GREG PEARSON	26	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	14	81	53	39
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29. BILLY KEE	20	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	49	0	3	0
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31. BRADLEY MUNN	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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# Treatment Table

I am pleased to say that after Tuesday night's game vs. Crewe Alexandra there are no new injury worries.

Jacques Maghoma was on the receiving end of an innocuous tackle on Saturday vs. Oxford which resulted in his ankle swelling up significantly.

Having looked back at the video there was no obvious mechanism of injury. He had an x-ray on Tuesday which gladly revealed there was no fracture. There was however some osteophyte build up in the medial (inside) and lateral (outside) gutters of the talocrural (ankle) joint. The trauma

caused by the tackle at the time has caused a flare up which has resulted in the inflammation. I fully expect Jacques to be back in 2-3 weeks following a period of rest, modalities to reduce the swelling and rehabilitation in the gym.

Elsewhere Jack Dyer is progressing nicely following a hip flexor strain suffered against Sheffield United Reserves. As I'm writing this Jack has been out for a week, his rehab at this point has consisted of rest, ice and low-resistance stationary bike. Before returning to play, he needs to be pain free on both resistance tests and strength

tests. He still has some work to do in the gym and he is starting exercises to re-build his strength this week.

Cleveland continues to progress; he has been running all week with some light agility work such as turning and zig-zag runs. He still has some pain, but this is normal with this type of "high" ankle sprain. We will continue to increase the intensity of his rehab and keep his aerobic fitness at its peak. I expect Cleve to be returning to action within 2 weeks.

Nathan Stanton is progressing nicely and Greg could be out for up to 4 more weeks as we try to

settle down the soft tissue damage in his big toe.

Lastly, I would like to give a mention to Hannah Cornell, a Sports Therapy 3rd year student who has been with us since the start of September. Hannah has fitted in superbly with the lads and has been a great addition to the team. Since being with us she has showed great enthusiasm and has demonstrated some really good knowledge along the way and I would like to wish her all the best for the future!

**Enjoy the game,  
James Rowland  
Head Physiotherapist**

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2	Paul BOERTIEN		
3	Aaron WEBSTER		
4	Nathan STANTON		
5	Tony JAMES		
6	John McGRATH		
7	Darren MOORE		
8	Andrew CORBETT		
9	Justin RICHARDS		
10	Calvin ZOLA		
11	Chris PALMER		
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17	Jimmy PHILLIPS		
18	Greg PEARSON		
19	Jacques MAGHOMA		
20	Danny BLANCHETT		
22	Jack DYER		
23	Ross ATKINS		
26	Adam BOLDER		
29	Billy KEE		
31	Bradley MUNN		

## SWINDON TOWN



M	Paulo di CANIO	Played	Scored
1	Mattia LANZANO		
2	Kevin AMANKWAAH		
3	Callum KENNEDY		
4	Aden FLINT		
5	Joe DEVERA		
6	Alberto COMAZZI		
7	Paul CADDIS		
8	Simon FERRY		
10	Matt RITCHIE		
11	Etienne ESAJAS		
12	Alan McCORMACK		
13	Oliver RISSER		
14	Jordan PAVETT		
15	Nathan THOMPSON		
16	Ibrahim ATIKU		
17	Alan CONNELL		
18	Mark SCOTT		
19	Matt CLARK		
21	Lander GABILONDO		
22	Michael TIMLIN		
23	Raffaele De VITA		
24	Elliot BENYON		
24	Jonathan SMITH		
27	Alessandro CIBOCCHI		
28	Miles STOREY		
29	Lukas MAGERA		
30	Leigh BEDWELL		
32	Ahmed ABDULLA		
39	Mehdi KERROUCHE		

### Today's Officials



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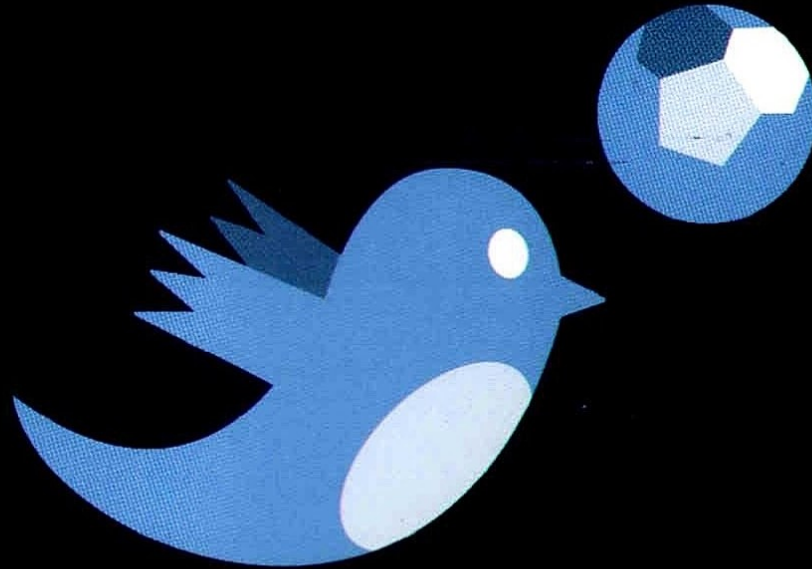


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Requires a residential contract with npower for electricity and/or gas on our Winter Fix tariff. **Not available to customers with pre-payment or non standard metering.** Prices fixed at npower's new standard (off-line) prices (effective from 01/10/11) until 31/03/13 when they will revert to prevailing standard (off-line) prices. Prices will be fixed providing no costs are imposed by any governmental, statutory or licensing authority which cause our prices to exceed the fixed level. An early exit fee of £20 per fuel may apply if you change your tariff or supplier before 31/03/13. Offer is subject to availability and may be withdrawn, suspended or amended at any time - full terms and conditions available at [npower.com](http://npower.com). **Up to £40 bonus:** If you take both fuels on our Winter Fix tariff we'll give you a one off £40 discount off your bill or £20 if you only take one fuel. Your discount will be credited to your account (£20 to your electricity account and £20 to your gas account if you take both fuels) on your first bill after you switch to Winter Fix. **Your annual discount:** If you pay by Direct Debit continuously for 12 months we'll give you a discount off your bill (£100 if you buy both electricity and gas, £50 if you buy just gas or £40 if you buy just electricity). Your discount will be credited to your account on or before the last day of the 12th month after becoming eligible and then on or before the same last day of each year you continue to pay this way. **Calls** may be monitored and recorded.