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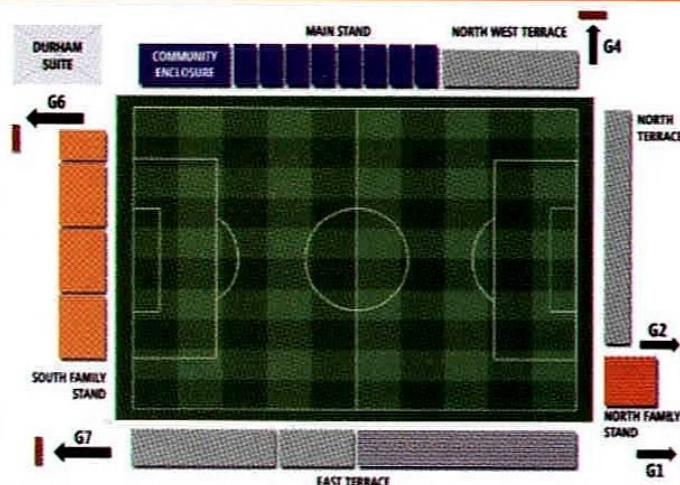
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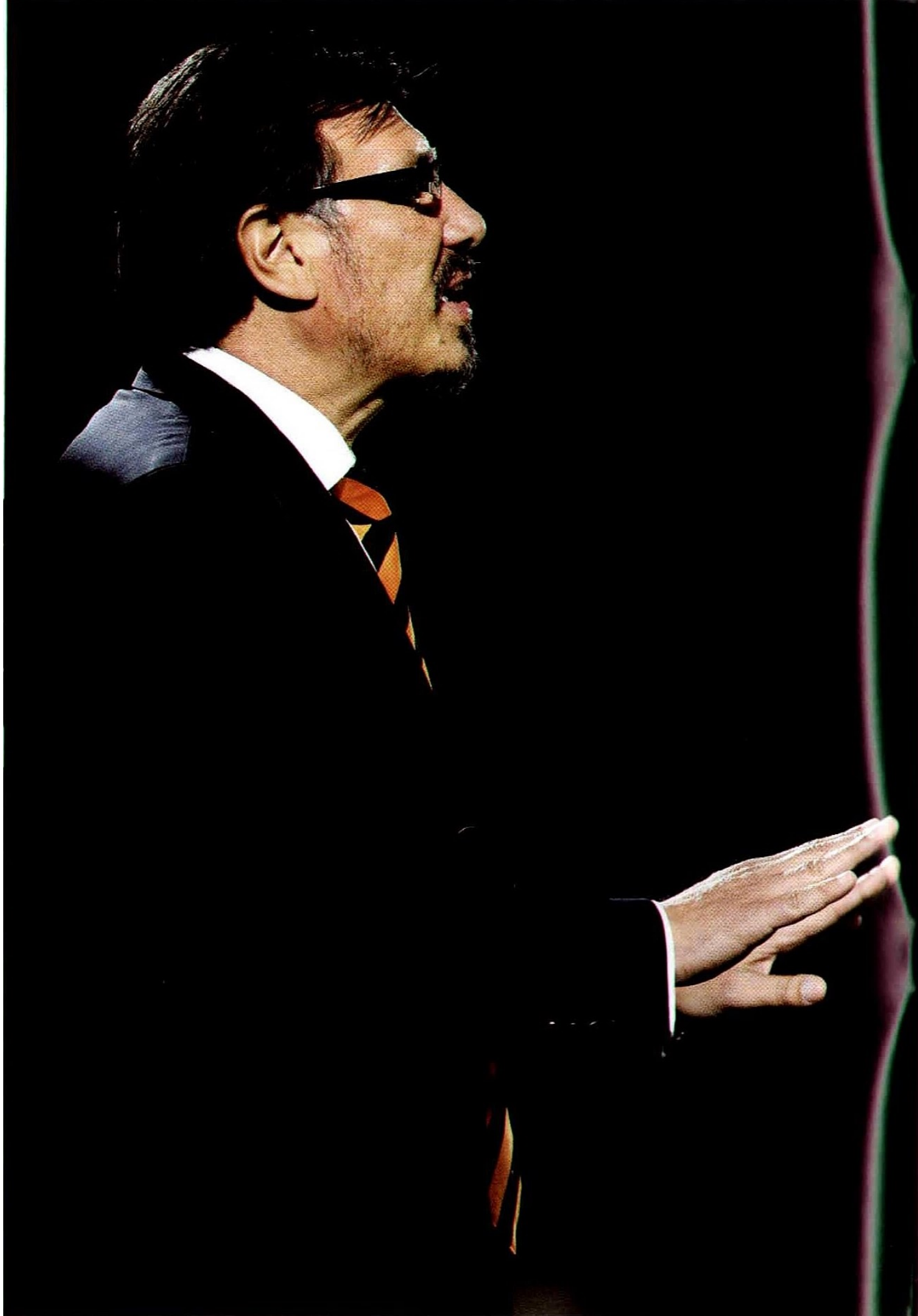
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Lawrie Sanchez Says...

Welcome to Paolo Di Canio and everyone connected with Swindon Town for tonight's Johnstone's Paint Trophy Southern Area Final 1st Leg, and of course to Barnet supporters here at Underhill this evening.

Tonight is obviously an opportunity for the club to get one step closer to an appearance at Wembley Stadium, playing there or watching your team in action are magical experiences and I would very much like to return to Wembley myself after almost 24 years!

The experience is one that stays with you throughout your lifetime and whilst glamour and glory can be a bit thin on the ground in League 2, here is a real chance to make a name for yourself.

I watched Swindon deservedly beat Wigan Athletic in The FA Cup on Saturday and obviously they are a talented team. Looking at the back of their programme and their 30 plus man squad, clearly indicates their strength and depth.

I have no doubt that they are the bookmakers' odds on favourite to get to the Wembley Final, but I know, that if we perform to the level we have shown when we've faced teams from higher divisions this season, we can keep the tie alive and

go to the County Ground for the 2nd Leg and with a slice of good fortune, achieve our objective.

In September last year we were well beaten at the County Ground and frankly I don't expect anything like that to happen tonight. That game seems a long time ago now and I think in many ways we are a different team, especially defensively where Michael Hector and Paul Downing have formed a good centre-back pairing.

Not forgetting the fact that because we are lucky enough to have in our team the top goalscorer in this League, we pose a threat against any opponent.

The New Year is a time to look forward, the past is the past and I'm expecting a higher and more consistent level of performance in the second half of the season with the victory over Bristol Rovers just the first of many.

Do get behind the team tonight, be in good voice!

Onwards And Upwards

Lawrie Sanchez







The Hughes In Brief...

So, the start of a New Year and hopefully a successful one for Barnet FC. The festive period was a mixed one for us. First we had the loss at Dagenham and then the one at Crawley too. The Crawley game wasn't too bad a result away from home against the top team, but it was disappointing to concede so early, from poor defending from a set-piece, and then not really test their keeper enough. We ended up with four strikers on the pitch but we didn't have enough going forward, which is unlike us - we usually have plenty of chances.

Those two defeats made the Bristol Rovers game really important. All the lads were well aware that it was a six-pointer, and that we'd catch them if we could beat them. Everyone was fired up for it and wanted to put things right after the two defeats over Christmas. There wasn't much in the game but I thought we were the better side. The game opened up much more in the second half and we began creating more chances. After Izale's goal it opened up even more and Clovis managed to grab a second. It was really pleasing to get the win and gives us a good start to the years. It was also good to get points against one of the sides around us in the league because that is going to be very important between now and the end of the season.

We know January is an important month for us in the league, because we don't want to be looking over our shoulders going into the last few months of the season. This time last year we were in real trouble but managed to get a few wins when Paul Fairclough came in. We're not in such a bad position this season but it's still a case of getting as many wins as possible this month, and hopefully that will put us in a good position to climb up the table.

Tonight's game had to be put to the back of our minds over Christmas, but we were preparing all of last week and were in all weekend getting ready for the game. We had a bad result against Swindon earlier in the season but we're a much better team now. That can't happen again tonight. We've got four massive halves against them, and we are looking at it in that way rather than as two legs. We need to get a good start tonight. It goes without saying that we want to win the two halves at home, which will make

things more straight forward because we'll have a lead to defend. We're expecting a big crowd and all the lads are looking forward to it because it is a cup final. We'll be going out to win and hopefully if we can get something out of tonight then it'll boost our league form too.

We've got two tough games to get through first, but as players and for everyone involved with the club, a trip to Wembley would be massive, especially for the supporters, who have had to watch relegation battles for the last few years. It would be amazing for them, the chairman, the manager in his first season, and the coaching staff - it would be a great day for everyone if we were to make it. Without demeaning Swindon at all, it would probably mean more to us than it would to them because of how our seasons are going, and hopefully we can show that on the pitch. We know how much this could mean to the club, and I think something like a cup final can really help a club turn a corner, so maybe next season we can use this to push on. If we do well it could mean better things for the club as a whole, and financially it would be great, which would help improve the squad for next season. But as I say, we're not looking too far ahead and we're fully focussed on the game tonight, and then Accrington on Saturday.

Swindon are a good side but we've studied them and we know about them. They had a great result beating Wigan on Saturday and are looking strong for promotion, which unfortunately we aren't this year. On paper they should beat us over the two legs but I know we're as good as anyone and hopefully we can prove a few people wrong, as we have a few times already this season.

We're really hoping for an Underhill cup atmosphere tonight. It's up to the players to get the fans off their seats, but please do get behind the lads as always.

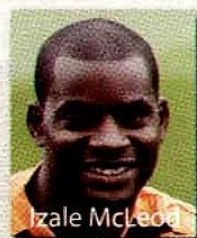
Mark Hughes

Mark was talking to Ben Kentish

Signy's Soundbites...

David Bloomfield writes: Dennis Signy collapsed in the entrance hall to his apartment block in Hendon last Monday after watching the Bees beat Bristol Rovers 2-0.

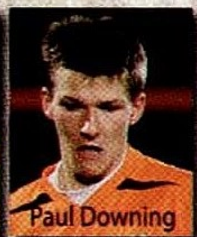
Para-medics took him to Barnet General Hospital for hours of blood tests and x-rays; a chest infection and a urine infection were diagnosed as a reason for his unsteadiness. He was given a course of antibiotics and was back on his labour-of-love website duties the next day. And Dennis always meets his deadline. I received the copy below bang on time.



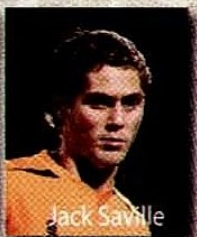
Traditionalist that I am, I kicked off penning my column for this evening's game at 3.00pm on Saturday afternoon. An unbeaten run in November, with LAWRIE SANCHEZ short-listed for League 2 Manager of the Month, did not stop the harbingers of doom and gloom at Underhill emerging from behind their computers to advise us all that the loan players would be gone in January, top scorer IZALE McLEOD and perhaps MARK MARSHALL would be sold in the transfer window and we would be heading for the Blue Square Bet. So let's have a reality check. With a free Saturday because Bradford City were involved in The FA Cup, I can reveal that Reading's 6ft 4ins tall central defender MICHAEL HECTOR is already committed to stay at Underhill for the rest of the season and that fellow defenders PAUL DOWNING and JACK SAVILLE have signed deals into the New Year.



Michael Hector



Paul Downing



Jack Saville

And, whilst we are talking about it, McLeod said on Twitter recently: "I think certain people are getting ahead of themselves with all this transfer talk ... Barnet player till end of season".

Speculation on Twitter led to some wild talk and

unsubstantiated and incorrect stories about a bid for McLeod but chairman TONY KLEANTHOUS and I decided that the club would ignore them. The club policy is that we only announce an offer for a player that has been accepted via the club's website.

Matters took a turn, though, when Swindon chairman JEREMY WRAY denied on his club's website that they had made a bid for McLeod and had not spoken to Barnet FC about his availability.

"It would show great disrespect to unsettle a player when we have such important games coming up with them", he said.

LAWRIE SANCHEZ was at the County Ground on Saturday checking tonight's opponents in their sold-out FA Cup with Budweiser 3rd Round tie against Premiership Wigan Athletic. He and 19-goal League 2 top scorer McLEOD are concentrating more on a possible Johnstone's Paint Trophy final at Wembley Stadium than Twitter chat. Sanchez knew the size of the Bees' task tonight from their comprehensive 4-0 defeat at the County Ground but Swindon's giant-killing demolition of Wigan underlined that our League 2 rivals are on song.



Mark Marshall

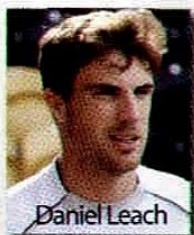
Also caught in the transfer window speculation last week was former Swindon Town winger MARK MARSHALL, who has made 80 starts and two substitute appearances in his time at Underhill. The Bees, remember, rejected a couple of bids for

Marshall in the last transfer window and now Sky Sports reckons there is interest from "a host of clubs", with Portsmouth, Leeds United and West Ham United named.

Interestingly, SAIF RUBIE, Marshall's adviser, is quoted as saying that a move for Mark could be on the cards this month. "If he doesn't leave in January he will see out his contract in the summer."

GARY BORROWDALE, the 26-year-old QPR left back whose loan period with Barnet ended last month without him signing the extension to the end of season agreed by the clubs, is still in the Bees' radar. Borrowdale played 15 games for Barnet in the first

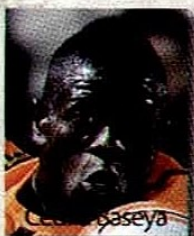
half of the season but I gather other left backs are being monitored by Lawrie Sanchez.



Australian central defender DANIEL LEACH asked if he could act as co-commentator alongside KARL BATES at the Bristol Rovers game ... and broke the news that injury made it unwise for him to subject himself to the pressures of professional football any longer.

The 24-year-old Daniel told listeners that he was looking to pursue a different career and had only good things to say about Barnet FC, sentiments certainly reciprocated by all at Underhill.

An interesting, very sociable character, the 6ft 2ins tall Leach played State football Down Under and captained the Oregon State University side in America before arriving at the Barnet training ground then in Hertfordshire with an introduction to manager IAN HENDON. He played in the pre-season friendly against Arsenal just three days later and soon signed a contract. Unfortunately, injury beset his career at Underhill, culminating in Daniel's "exclusive" story last week about his retirement from the game. He will be missed.



Two other departures from Underhill: CEDRIC BASEYA, the 6ft 5ins tall Reading striker, and 24-year-old Lincoln City striker GAVIN MCCALLUM.

The 24-year-old Baseya made three substitute appearances for the Bees before his short term deal was ended by a leg injury and he has returned to his parent club. Canadian international McCallum, who also made three substitute appearances, has returned to Lincoln.



Skipper MARK HUGHES collected his fifth yellow card of the season early in the recent Bristol Rovers game at Underhill - great relief when it was realised that the latest yellow card came after the December 31 cut-off date. 28-year-

old Mark got a warning from The FA rather than a one match ban and is available for tonight's game.



Other disciplinary "escapees", all with four cautions on December 31, were Saville, Marshall, DARREN DENNEHY and MARK BYRNE.

The next stage: a player with 10 cautions by April 8 will receive a two-match ban.



The death of former Liverpool and Everton defender GARY ABLETT at the early age of 46 impacted on Barnet right back DANNY SENDA - they were team mates at Wycombe Wanderers.

Danny had a mixed day last Monday, the good news a welcome three points through completing a double against Bristol Rovers, another former club. In the evening Danny's sister REBECCA had a starring role in the Channel 4 quiz show The Bank Job. Although Rebecca finished penniless she did well to reach the final, Danny reflected with pride on Twitter. He'll have to save up for his holidays now! (My thanks to supporter JOHN HUNT for the above contribution).

The Football League are calling on fans from across the UK to represent their clubs in an epic 244 mile bike ride from Wembley to the Arc de Triomphe from June 14-17 to raise money and awareness for Help the Hospices, the official charity partner for 2011-12.

Barnet Ladies have a rescheduled home fixture against Cardiff City at Underhill next Sunday, with a 2.00pm Kick-Off.



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Returning Kettering Town manager Mark Cooper was said to have been considering his position at the club after just one game, after expressing his disappointment that guarantees regarding new investors had yet to be met. The former Tamworth boss replaced ex-Barnet man Mark Stimson in the Poppies' hot seat last week.



Bristol Rovers' League 2 survival hopes have been boosted with the news that Crystal Palace midfielder Andy Dorman will stay with the Pirates' for a further month on loan. The 29-year-old as featured in every Rovers game since his arrival at the club in November, including Saturday's FA Cup encounter with Aston Villa.



Everton defender Phil Jagielka could be out of action for up to two months after the England international suffered a knee injury in last Wednesday's Premier League match with Bolton Wanderers at Goodison Park.



Doncaster Rovers striker Billy Sharp looks set to leave the Championship strugglers for divisional rivals Leicester City after the two clubs agreed a fee over the weekend. The former Sheffield United forward is Rovers' current top scorer with ten goals this season.



Peterborough United centre-half Kelvin Langmead has agreed a permanent deal with Northampton Town after being on loan at Sixfields since the start of the season. The 26-year-old as plenty of experience at this level, having joined Posh from Shrewsbury Town in the 2009-10 close season.



Blue Square Bet Premier strugglers Newport County have put three players up for sale in an effort to reduce costs. Former Barnet loanee Craig McAllister is one of the trio, along with fellow attacker Tom Miller and goalkeeper Danny Potter, although manager Justin Edinburgh may be able to use some of the money saved to add a player or two to his squad.



Jordan Rhodes' remarkable season in front of goal for League 1 promotion-chasers Huddersfield Town continued on Friday with a five-goal haul in the Terriers' 6-0 mauling of struggling Wycombe Wanderers. The Scottish international striker has now managed 25 in the league so far.



Aldershot Town have moved into the transfer market in attempt to improve their on-field fortunes, with the capture of defenders Troy Brown and Sonny Bradley. Ex-Ipswich youngster Brown

has joined from divisional rivals Rotherham United until the end of the season whilst 20-year-old Bradley has made a month-long switch from Championship side Hull City.



MK Dons manager Karl Robinson believes that his side's battling 1-1 draw against Premier League Queen's Park Rangers, along with their fluid attacking style, may go some way to changing the negative aspect some neutral fans have about his side.



The future of Blue Square Premier club Darlington remains in the balance, despite former chairman Raj Singh's promise to waive any outstanding money owed to him should a buyer for the beleaguered Quakers be found.



Former Tottenham and England midfielder Nick Barmby has formally announced his retirement from playing, in preparation for taking over as full-time boss of Hull City. Barmby, who made 23 appearances for his country during an illustrious career, has been in temporary charge of his home town team since the departure of current Leicester boss Nigel Pearson in November.



West Ham United defender Callum McNaughton has signed permanently for League 2 AFC Wimbledon in a two and a half year deal after impressing on loan since his arrival at the club in September.



Championship Barnsley have increased their attacking firepower with the capture of wily striker Chris Dagnall from Scunthorpe United. Dagnall, who enjoyed a prolific time in front of goal for Rochdale before is switch to the Iron, could make is debut this coming weekend against Leicester City.



Former Northampton Town boss Gary Johnson was tipped to make a shock return to League 1 side Yeovil Town, six years after leaving the club for Bristol City. The Glovers, currently in the middle of a relegation scrap, currently have Terry Skiverton in charge and there is speculation that he may be supported by Johnson taking over an advisory role.



Neil Warnock became the latest managerial casualty of the season after being relieved of his duties at the helm of Premier League strugglers QPR at the weekend. The ex-Scarborough, Notts County and Sheffield United boss had been unable to replicate the excellent form that saw the R's win the Championship title last May.

Good evening and welcome to our second home match of 2012 here at Underhill.

Following the euphoria of our great home win on Bank Holiday Monday against Bristol Rovers we take a break from the league to concentrate on the Johnstone's Paint Trophy Southern Area Final 1st Leg. This is one of the biggest finals that Underhill has ever seen and I'm sure you are all excited as I am by the prospect of a trip to Wembley Stadium.

A warm welcome from all the Bees fan's to Paolo Di Canio, his Swindon Town team, and the Robin's fan's who have made the trip along the M4 today.



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Having now expanded our Commercial, Marketing and Communications Department Amy and Adam have been busy capturing Graz's thoughts on the game ahead, which airs on Barnet player, as well as some behind the scenes antics and interviews at The Hive. To find out what the team have been up to and to also catch extra footage from the Bees' Management and players log on to the 'Barnet Player' with live match commentary provided by Karl Bates and David Bloomfield, all for less than 10p per day!

As we enter the second part of the season we still have some great hospitality packages available here at Underhill, which include our renowned Directors' Lounge Three Course Meals. If you're looking to impress your clients or colleagues, celebrate in style with friends or family we have a package that suits all your entertaining needs. Alternatively, if you are looking to promote your business locally or nationally we pride ourselves on offering a wide range of opportunities to suit all budgets and we are just a phone call away and we happily construct a bespoke a package for you.

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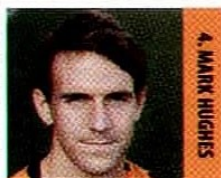
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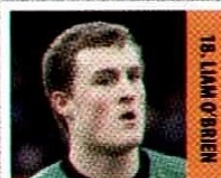
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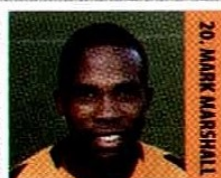
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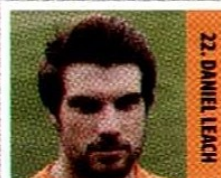
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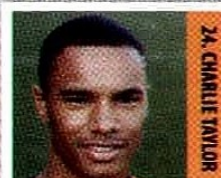
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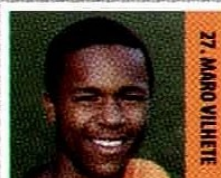
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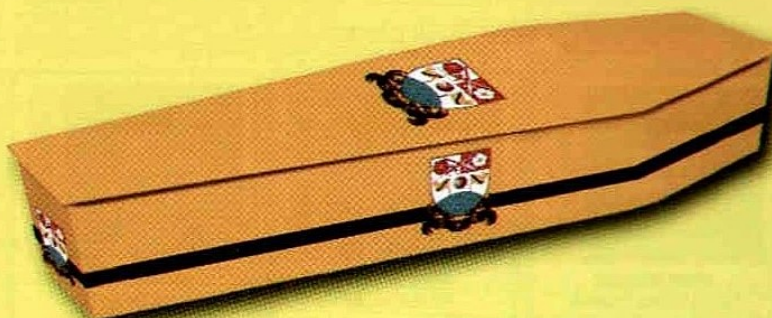
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The Robins Reviewed... By James Castle

The Season So Far

Swindon are enjoying life on their return to the fourth tier, and currently sit 4th in the League 2 table having collected 43 points from exactly half their league fixtures so far. With only one defeat in all competitions since the end of September coming into their FA Cup 3rd Round clash with Wigan Athletic at the weekend, Paolo di Canio's Robins are in impressive form.

Championship side Bristol City were beaten 1-0 in the Carling Cup before Town exited the competition at the 2nd Round stage after defeat at Southampton, with Swindon earning the right to take on Premier League Wigan on Saturday in The FA Cup after an impressive 4-1 home win against League 1 Huddersfield Town and a 1-0 victory at Colchester United. Three successive triumphs over Exeter City, AFC Wimbledon (on penalties) and Southend United has led the Robins to Underhill, and just two games away from a Wembley final.

Last Season in the JPT

Swindon managed to reach the quarter-final stage in last season's competition, before bowing out to League 1 rivals Brentford on penalties at the County Ground. The Robins made light work of a trip to promotion favourites Southampton in the 1st Round, dominating much of the game and coming away from St. Mary's with a resounding 3-0 victory, courtesy of a brace from Vincent Pericard and another from the prolific Charlie Austin.

Pericard was to score in the next round as well, with a clinical strike in first-half injury time to double the Robins' lead following David Ball's 10th minute strike, and this proved enough to see off a spirited Torquay United side in front of their own fans.

The Robins, however, tasted defeat in the following round after a hard-fought 1-1 draw at the County Ground, with Brentford prevailing 4-2 in the penalty shoot-out. Town took the lead inside the first quarter of an hour through Austin before being pegged back eight minutes before the end of the half through Robbie Simpson's close-range header.

Football League Trophy History

Swindon took part in the first four seasons of the competition, their best performance being a 3-2 semi-final defeat at home to Aldershot in the 1986-87 season. Promotion to the Second Division, and the Premier League, curtailed their involvement until 2000, bar one season (1995-96) when they were defeated 1-0 by Hereford United at the County Ground.

The Robins reached the semi-final stage twice more, in 2001 and 2005, but were beaten both times by Southend United at Roots Hall, although they did manage to thrash the

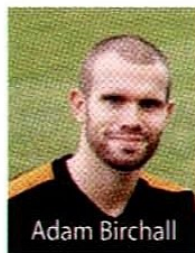
Shrimpers 6-1 at home in the 1st Round of the 2002/03 competition.

Town bowed out at the opening stage in 2006/07 by the only goal in a keenly-fought contest against Wycombe Wanderers at Adams Park but went one stage further the following year, beating Brentford 4-1 at home before going down 3-1 to Cheltenham Town at the County Ground. 2008/09 saw the Robins reach the quarter-final stage, a penalty shoot-out victory at Aldershot followed by a win by the odd goal in three over Hereford at Edgar Street – a third successive away game proved one too many, with Brighton proving victorious at the Withdean. They reached the same stage the following campaign, losing 5-3 on penalties at home to Norwich City in front of almost 5,000 spectators after a goal-less draw.

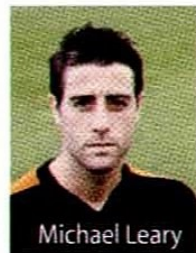
With their involvement in the competition ending, for the third year running, at the quarter-finals last term this season's Southern Final appearance is, like Barnet, the furthest the club has progressed in this competition.

Last Time at Underhill

Town's last visit to Underhill was another Cup encounter, with the two sides squaring up for the right in a 3rd Round FA Cup Replay to earn the right to face Bristol Rovers at home for a place in the last sixteen of the competition. Barnet had forced a replay after striker Adam Birchall had scored a stunning late equaliser in a 1-1 draw at the County Ground and it was the same score after extra-time. Billy Paynter's 42nd minute strike sent the visitors into the break ahead but the same player was to score at the same end in the second half, this time putting through his own goal. The Bees hung on under some pressure, particularly after midfielder Michael Leary's dismissal just over a quarter of an hour from the end of normal time, but Paul Fairclough's charges clung on and dug in, and managed to secure a dramatic victory 2-0 in the penalty shoot-out with keeper Rob Beckwith emerging as the hero of the night.



Adam Birchall



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Introducing our visitors...



PAOLO DI CANIO – MANAGER

After a glittering playing career Paolo is making his first steps in management at the County Ground after being appointed last summer. Born in Rome he played for Lazio, Juventus, Napoli and AC Milan before in 1996 he joined Celtic. A season later he signed for Sheffield Wednesday and then a well remembered spell at West Ham United, before a season with Charlton Athletic prior to a return to Italian football. Vastly talented and capable of incredible moments of skill, strangely he was never capped at full level by Italy.

1 MATTIA LANZANO

Italian goalkeeper Mattia departed native side USD Gavorrana 1930 in July to sign a two-year deal with Swindon 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 this season.

3 CALLUM KENNEDY

Former Reading youngster Callum was granted a taste of first team action after being taken on the club's pre-season tour of Austria in 2008. The 22-year-old left-back impressed during numerous substitute appearances before making his full debut against Carlisle United. He was awarded a new contract in 2009 but a pelvic injury sustained mid-way through the season kept him on the sidelines for a lengthy period. Loan spells at Gillingham and Rotherham United ensued during 2010/2011 and Callum returned to The County

Ground as first-choice left-back for 2011/12.



4 ADEN FLINT

Aden joined Town from Alfreton Town in 2011 after a string of impressive performances. The 21-year-old defender, who has received two international caps at England 'C' level, made his debut in the 1-1 draw with Rochdale in February. Aden has now secured his place in the starting line-up on a regular basis.



5 JOE DEVERA

Joe became Di Canio's first signing as boss in the summer after an established spell with Barnet. 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. A product of the Barnet youth system, Joe can play at either right-back or centre-back.

6 ALBERTO COMMAZI

Experienced defender Alberto signed a two-year deal at The County Ground in July following lengthy talks with the club. The 32-year-old progressed through the system at AC Milan before spending time with the Como, Monza and Verona. Alberto spent last season at Spezia before arriving in Wiltshire for his first spell in English football.



7 PAUL CADDIS

Paul signed from Celtic in 2010 on a three-year deal. The 22-year-old can play in many different positions but is predominantly a right-sided defender. Paul came through the ranks at Celtic and enjoyed much success at youth team level. He made 42 appearances in 2010/11 season and was voted Fans' Away Player of the Year. He took over the captain's armband from new signing Oliver Risser in August.



8 SIMON FERRY

Simon made the permanent switch from Celtic in 2010. Simon joined Celtic at the age of 12 and progressed through the ranks at Parkhead. However he was sidelined for nearly two years with a serious ankle injury. The 23-year-old midfielder has already proved to be a major part of the side and scored his second goal of the campaign in the FA Cup win over Huddersfield Town.

9 PAUL BENSON

Swindon recently completed the signing of Charlton Athletic striker Paul Benson on a two-and-a-half year deal. Paul joined Dagenham & Redbridge in 2005 after being spotted playing non-league football. The six-foot hitman struck 28 times to help Dagenham win the Conference title and netted 22 goals the following term. He also scored in all three play-off matches as

Daggers defeated Rotherham United 3-2 in the League Two play-off final. The frontman joined Charlton Athletic and scored ten goals in 28 starts for the Addicks. The 32-year-old made his Swindon debut from the bench in the 2-0 home win over AFC Wimbledon.



10 MATT RITCHIE

After two separate loan spells Matt signed a two-and-a-half year contract with Town last year. Ritchie made his full debut for the club in the 2-0 Johnstone's Paint Trophy second round win over Torquay United at The County Ground before going on to make 34 appearances during the rest of the season. The 22-year-old attacking midfielder was voted Fans' Player of the Year for his efforts in 2010-11.



11 ETIENNE ESAJAS

Etienne signed for Town after impressing during a three-week trial at the club during the summer. The Dutchman scored in each of his friendly appearances for the club against a Marche XI and Swindon Supermarine and put pen to paper on a two-year deal at The County Ground shortly afterwards. The 27-year-old made 65 appearances for Sheffield Wednesday during his previous stint in English football.



12 ALAN MCCORMACK

Alan signed a two-year deal at The County Ground in July following his release from Charlton Athletic. The 27-year-old Irishman trained with Di Canio's side for a week before putting pen to paper. Alan started his career at Preston North End before a move to Southend United. He went on to make 130 appearances for the Shrimpers scoring 15 times during three seasons at the club. Charlton Athletic secured his services last summer following Southend's relegation.



13 OLIVER RISSER

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

14 JORDAN PAVETT

Jordan won a competition of more than 3,500 players to sign a professional contract with Swindon last year. The striker who has previously spent time at Ipswich Town and Colchester United joined Swindon after working as a plumber with his dad's firm. The 20-year-old was handed the number 14 shirt by Di Canio ahead of the 2011/12

season and featured during the pre-season tour of Italy.



17 ALAN CONNELL

Swindon clinched the signing of Grimsby Town striker Alan for an undisclosed six-figure sum in the summer. The 28-year-old frontman arrived at Blundell Park from Bournemouth in 2010 and scored 29 league goals for the Mariners last term. A popular player in two spells at Dean Court, the former Ipswich trainee has won promotion to League One on three separate occasions and has also enjoyed prolific spells with both Torquay United and Hereford United.

21 LANDER GABILONDO

Spanish winger Lander signed for Town in August after arriving on trial soon after the start of the campaign. He was born in San Sebastian and came through the youth system at Real Sociedad. Lander then moved to La Liga rivals Osasuna where he played 159 games in the Spanish 2B division. The 24-year-old winger, who likes to take on full-backs, made his first Swindon appearance from the bench against Oxford United.



23 RAFFAELE DE VITA

Italian striker Raffaele signed a two-year deal with The Robins in the summer after a spell in Scotland with Livingston. The 24-year-old joined Blackburn Rovers aged 15

and came up through the ranks at Ewood Park. Despite a hat-trick in a reserve team game against Wigan Athletic, first team opportunities never materialised and the frontman opted to leave the Premier League side. In 2008 he moved north of the border where he spent three seasons with Livingston. Last term he made 31 appearances, scoring 11 goals.



24 JONATHAN SMITH

Swindon secured the signing of York City midfielder Jonathan in June. The former Forest Green Rovers man joined The Robins for an undisclosed fee on a two-year contract. The 24-year-old was highly-rated during his time with the Minstermen and will be hoping to make a lasting impression during the League Two campaign.

26 PHIL SMITH

Paul joined Town in 2006 from Crawley Town and made his first start for the club in a Carling Cup defeat by Brentford. His heroics between the sticks during the 2006/07 didn't go unnoticed by the fans who named him their Player of the Season. The 30-year-old goalkeeper endured a frustrating campaign in 2009/2010 but made 33 starts last season and now competes with Mark Scott and Mattia Lanzano for a starting place at The County Ground.

29 LUKAS MAGERA

Swindon signed Czech Republic international striker Lukas during the summer on a two-year deal. Capped four times by his country, the 6'4" striker's arrival brought an end to Di Canio's search for a

targetman. The 28-year old striker spent the last few seasons with Politehnica Timisoara and played for his country against Scotland in a UEFA Euro 2012 Qualifier in October.



34 RONAN MURRAY

Swindon signed Ipswich Town striker Ronan in late November on loan until mid January making his debut against Aldershot Town. The 20-year-old came through the Academy at Portman Road and has progressed through to the first team squad although is yet to feature for Paul Jewell's side this term. He gained some valuable experience last season during a loan spell with Torquay United and has been capped up to U19 level with the Republic of Ireland.

35 WES FODERINGHAM

Swindon initially signed 20-year-old Crystal Palace goalkeeper Wes on loan deal in October which was subsequently made permanent last week. The former England U19 'keeper enjoyed a prolific start to his Swindon career keeping consecutive clean sheets in his first 5 games for the club.

39 MEHDI KERROUCHE

Algerian striker Medhi became Di Canio's eighth signing of the summer, agreeing a two-year contract at The County Ground. The 25-year-old left United Arab Emirates side Al-Oruba during the summer and was awarded the number 39 shirt with Swindon. Kerrouche scored 12 goals in 18 games for the UAE Second Division outfit last year.

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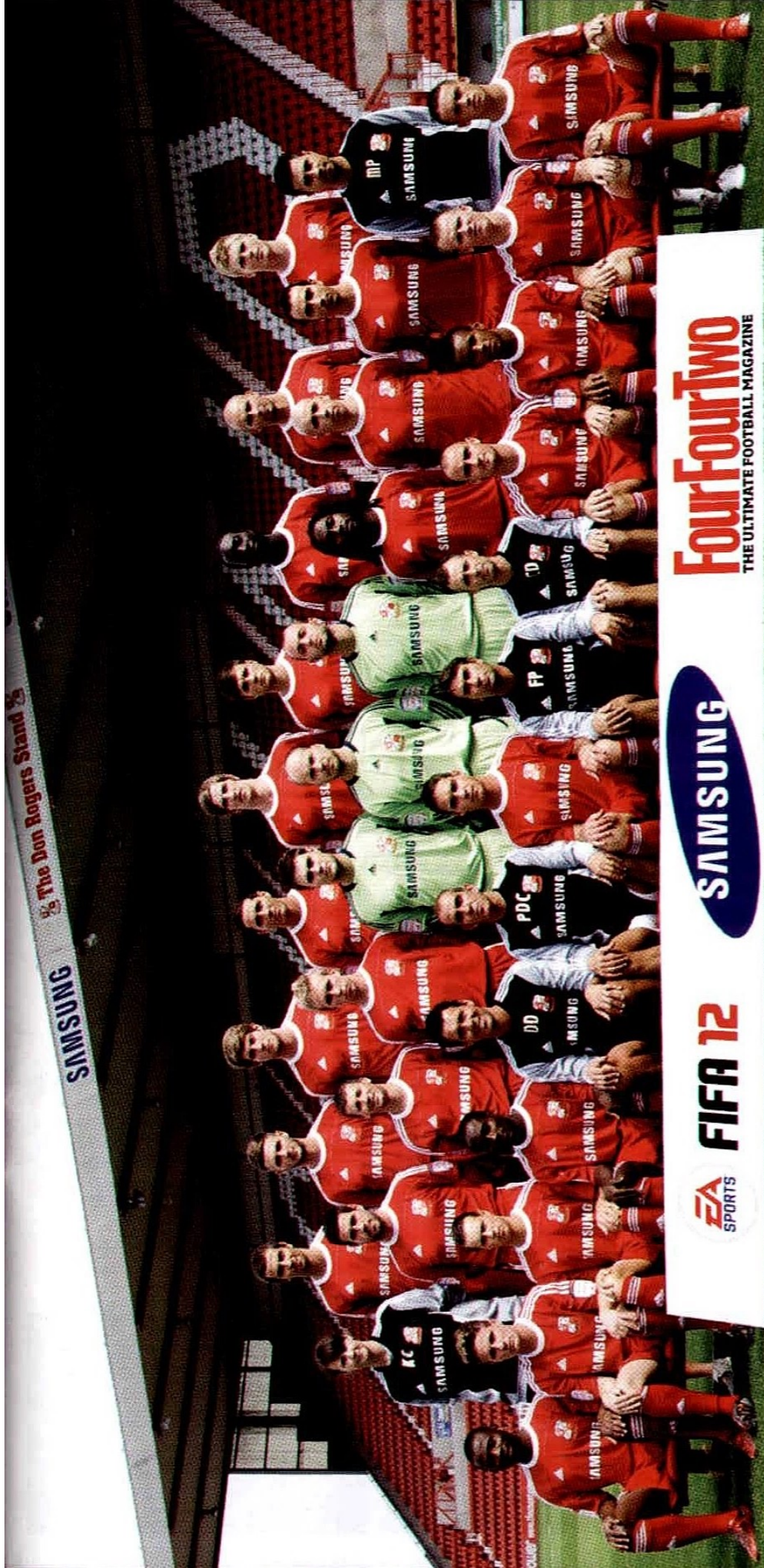
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Managing To Succeed...

Football Historian Leigh Edwards profiles ten managers who have played significant roles in the history of Swindon Town FC...

SAM ALLEN

Sam Allen gave Swindon Town outstanding service in various capacities. Previously a clerk in the GWR offices, he spent seven years as a Swindon director before becoming their secretary-manager in July 1902. He made several shrewd signings and guided Swindon to the Southern League championship in 1910-11 and 1913-14, also twice leading them to the FA Cup semi-finals. Taking Swindon into the Football League in 1920, he plotted further FA Cup runs and remained in charge of team affairs until becoming secretary only on the arrival of Ted Vizard in April 1933. He held that post until his death on New Year's Day 1946.

BERT HEAD

Bert Head plotted Swindon Town's 1962-63 promotion success. Signing professional for Torquay United in October 1936, the defender moved to Bury in February 1952 and was assistant-boss before becoming Swindon's manager in October 1955. He produced several fine players including Mike Summerbee, Ernie Hunt, Don Rogers and Rod Thomas before returning to Bury as manager in August 1965. Appointed Crystal Palace's boss in April 1966, he guided them to the top-flight for the first time in 1968-69 and had a spell as general manager. He was later manager and director at Bath City and died in February 2002.

DANNY WILLIAMS

Danny Williams guided Swindon Town to a promotion and League Cup 'double' in 1968-69. A former wing-half, he turned professional with hometown Rotherham in October 1942 and starred in their 1950-51 Third Division (North) title triumph. He made a club record 459 League appearances for the Millers before becoming trainer-coach in July 1960, then was manager prior to taking charge of Swindon in August 1965. Leaving the County Ground in July 1969 to manage Sheffield Wednesday, he then managed Mansfield Town before rejoining Swindon as boss from March 1974 until May 1978. He now lives in Bournemouth.

FRED FORD

Fred Ford plotted Swindon Town's 1970 Anglo-Italian Cup final triumph. He was a centre-half with Erith & Belvedere, Arsenal, Charlton Athletic, Millwall and Carlisle United, then coached Bristol Rovers before becoming Bristol City's manager in July 1960. He guided them to promotion in 1964-65 and discovered several notable players, then coached Swindon from September 1967 until his appointment as Bristol Rovers' boss in April 1968. Returning to Swindon as manager between October 1969 and May 1971, he later coached Torquay United, then was Oxford United's chief scout until his death in October 1981.

LOU MACARI

Former Scotland international midfielder Lou Macari managed Swindon Town to the Fourth Division title in 1985-86. He won all three major Scottish honours with Celtic before moving to Manchester United in January 1973, featuring in three FA Cup finals including their 1977 triumph. Joining Swindon as player-boss in July 1984, he also guided them to promotion in 1986-87 and Second Division play-offs in 1988-89. He left in July 1989 to manage West Ham and briefly Birmingham before leading Stoke City to the Second Division title in 1992-93. Rejoining Celtic as boss, he later managed Stoke again and Huddersfield Town.

OSSIE ARDILES

Former Argentina international midfielder Ossie Ardiles was unlucky not to lead Swindon Town to the top-flight in 1989-90. Together with Ricky Villa, the World Cup winner made headlines with his transfer from Huracan to Spurs in July 1978. He helped them win the FA Cup in 1981 and UEFA Cup in 1984, moving to QPR in May 1988. Appointed Swindon's boss in July 1989, he plotted their 1989-90 Second Division play-off final success but they were denied promotion due to an illegal payments scandal. He took charge of Newcastle United in March 1991, then managed West Brom and Spurs before coaching overseas.

GLENN HODDLE

Ex-England international midfielder Glenn Hoddle plotted Swindon Town's 1992-93 First Division play-off final triumph. Signing professional for Spurs in April 1975, he starred in their 1981 and 1982 FA Cup final successes and was a finalist again shortly before joining Monaco in June 1987. He helped win the French League title in 1987-88 and was appointed Swindon's player-boss in April 1991, scoring once in 64 League games while at the County Ground. Moving to Chelsea in a similar capacity in June 1993, he guided them to the 1994 FA Cup final and has since managed England, Southampton, Spurs and Wolves.

STEVE McMAHON

Former England international midfielder Steve McMahon managed Swindon Town to the Second Division title in 1995-96. Initially with Everton, he joined Aston Villa in May 1983 and moved to Liverpool in September 1985. He starred as they won the League Championship three times and FA Cup in 1989, then reunited with Peter Reid at Manchester City. Appointed Swindon's player-boss in November 1994, he made 42 League appearances and remained in charge until September 1999. He managed Blackpool to promotion in 2000-01 as well as two LDV Vans Trophy final triumphs, since coaching Australian side Perth Glory.

ANDY KING

Former England U-21 midfielder Andy King managed Swindon Town to the Second Division play-offs in 2003-04. Signing professional for Luton Town in July 1974, he joined Everton in April 1976 and appeared in the 1977 League Cup final. He moved to QPR in September 1980, then West Brom a year later and rejoined Everton in August 1982. After spells at Wolves, Luton again and Aldershot, he became Mansfield Town's boss in November 1993. He was assistant-boss at Grimsby and Swindon, where he was appointed manager from November 2000 until August 2001, then again between January 2002 and September 2005.

PAUL STURROCK

Former Scotland international striker Paul Sturrock guided Swindon Town to promotion in 2006-07. A legend at Dundee United, he starred as they won the Scottish Premier title in 1982-83, Scottish League Cup twice and were Scottish Cup finalists four times. He became their coach in June 1989, was St Johnstone's boss and rejoined Dundee United as manager in September 1998. Taking charge of Plymouth in October 2000, he plotted two promotion campaigns, then managed Southampton. He led Sheffield Wednesday to promotion in 2004-05, then was Swindon's boss for a year and has since managed Plymouth and Southend.

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10 Campaigns In The Life Of Swindon Town FC

Football historian LEIGH EDWARDS selects ten post-war Swindon Town seasons that are worth reminiscing over...

1962/63

Swindon Town won promotion to the Second Division for the first time in 1962/63. Bert Head's young side won just one of their first six games, then top scorer Ernie Hunt netted a hat-trick in a 5-1 victory over Brighton. Cliff Jackson scored three times in a 4-3 win at Millwall and Jack Smith did likewise in a 5-0 victory over QPR as Swindon overcame the 'Big Freeze' to maintain their promotion challenge. They hammered Colchester 6-1 and clinched promotion with a 1-0 win at home to Shrewsbury. Keith Morgan and John Trollope were ever-present, while other stars included Mike Summerbee and Bobby Woodruff.

1968/69

Don Rogers starred as Swindon Town achieved an epic League Cup and promotion 'double' in 1968/69. Early pace-setters in the Third Division, they lost 1-0 at home to Watford in the title 'decider' watched by 28,898 and finished runners-up on goal average. Swindon defeated Torquay 2-1, Bradford City 4-3, Blackburn 1-0, Coventry 3-0, Derby 1-0 and Burnley 3-2 in the League Cup before beating Arsenal 3-1 after extra-time in the Wembley final: Peter Downsbrough, Rod Thomas, John Trollope, Joe Butler, Frank Burrows, Stan Harland, Don Heath, Roger Smart, John Smith (Willie Penman), Peter Noble, Don Rogers.

1969/70

Swindon Town challenged strongly for promotion to the top-flight in 1969/70. Fred Ford replaced Danny Williams as manager and Arthur Horsfield was signed from Newcastle, starring as Swindon were among the early leaders. Peter Noble grabbed a hat-trick as they beat Charlton 5-0 and maintained their promotion challenge with a 14 match unbeaten run. Swindon finished fifth in the Second Division, their highest position at the time. They also defeated Blackburn 4-0, Chester 4-2 and Scunthorpe 3-1 in the FA Cup before losing 2-0 to Leeds United in the sixth round, then beat Napoli 3-0 in the Anglo-Italian Cup final.

1979/80

Bobby Smith guided Swindon Town to the League Cup semi-finals in 1979/80. Swindon had narrowly missed promotion the previous season and Alan Mayes scored twice in an early 4-0 win over Brentford. They defeated Portsmouth 3-1, Chester 2-1, Stoke City 2-1, Wimbledon 2-1 and Arsenal 4-3 in the League Cup before losing 4-3 to Wolves in the semi-finals. Andy Rowland and Alan Mayes formed an exciting partnership as Swindon gained four successive wins, then trounced Bury 8-0. They took Spurs to an FA Cup fourth round replay but finished mid-table despite signing David Peach and Glenn Cockerill.

1985/86

Swindon Town stormed to the Fourth Division title with a record 102 points in 1985/86. Lou Macari's side made a poor start in the League but defeated Sunderland and Sheffield Wednesday en route to the Milk Cup fourth round. Kenny Allen arrived from Torquay and Dave Bamber from Portsmouth as Swindon soared to the top of the table with 14 wins in 16 matches. They set a club record of 13 consecutive home victories with a 3-1 win over Burnley and clinched the title with a 1-1 draw at Mansfield. Charlie Henry and Colin Gordon scored 35 goals between them, while skipper Colin Calderwood was ever-present.

1986/87

Lou Macari plotted Swindon Town's 1986/87 Third Division play-off final triumph. Colin Gordon was sold to Wimbledon, while newcomers included Jimmy Gilligan, Mark Jones, Fraser Digby and Bristol Rovers pair Tim Parkin and Steve White. Six victories in eight games catapulted Swindon into the promotion race, then Jimmy Quinn returned from Blackburn and Phil King arrived from Torquay. They starred as Swindon gained seven straight wins and qualified for the play-offs in third position after remaining undefeated in their last 11 matches. Swindon beat Gillingham 2-0 in the play-off final replay after a 2-2 aggregate draw.

1989/90

Swindon Town won the 1989/90 Second Division play-off final but were denied top-flight status after an illegal payments scandal. Swindon had qualified for the play-offs the previous season and Ossie Ardiles replaced Lou Macari as manager. They soared into the promotion frame with seven wins in nine games including a 6-0 victory over Stoke and signed David Kerslake from QPR in November. Alan McLoughlin, Duncan Shearer and Steve White starred as Swindon maintained their challenge with just one defeat in 13 matches and finished in fourth position. They defeated Sunderland 1-0 in the play-off final at Wembley.

1992/93

Player-manager Glenn Hoddle was a key figure in Swindon Town's 1992/93 First Division play-off final success. Swindon were early pace-setters and new signing Craig Maskell grabbed a hat-trick in a 4-1 win over Cambridge United. They went second after a 5-1 demolition of Notts County, then overcame a lean spell with Ross MacLaren's return inspiring a run of seven victories in nine games. Dave Mitchell netted three times in a 6-4 win at Birmingham and Swindon qualified for the play-offs in fifth position. They defeated Tranmere 5-4 on aggregate, then gained a thrilling 4-3 win over Leicester in the Wembley final.

1993/94

Assistant-boss John Gorman replaced Glenn Hoddle in charge as Swindon Town prepared for the 1993/94 Premiership campaign. New signings included Jan-Aage Fjortoft, Andy Mutch, Luc Nijholt and Adrian Whitbread, with Swindon starting with a 3-1 defeat at Sheffield United. They drew 0-0 at Norwich but despite signing Terry Fenwick and Keith Scott, were already facing relegation by the time they managed their first win 1-0 at home to QPR in November. Swindon completed the double over QPR and also beat Southampton, Spurs and Coventry as well as drawing against Arsenal, Liverpool and Manchester United.

1995/96

Swindon Town stormed to the Second Division title under player-boss Steve McMahon in 1995/96. They had plummeted from the Premiership to Second Division and newcomers included Wayne Allison, Steve Finney and Mark Seagraves. Swindon were early leaders, winning seven of their first nine games, and Kevin Horlock netted a hat-trick in a 4-1 victory at Bristol Rovers. They remained in pole position and took Southampton to an FA Cup fifth round replay. Ian Culverhouse and Mark Robinson were ever-present, while leading scorer Wayne Allison and Shaun Taylor also starred as they won the title by nine points.



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Look Back In Amber...

This evening the inestimable Reckless examines the recent past and unearths an example of Barnet progressing in a cup competition at the expense of a team from Wiltshire. Too much to ask for a repeat tonight surely and in any case there are two legs to this tie...

Barnet 1-1 Swindon Town
(Barnet win 2-0 on penalties)
FA Cup 3rd Round replay
Underhill, Tuesday 22 January 2008

If this Johnstone's Paint Trophy Southern Area Final two legged tie ends all square after our visit to The County Ground there will be a penalty shoot out to decide who gets to visit Wembley. Discussions and arguments as to whether this is the fairest way to decide the outcome of a cup-tie have been rife for generations now. I seriously do not believe there is any other alternative even though I sobbed my heart out uncontrollably at Shrewsbury in 2003-04 along with my band of brothers. The Bees and The Robins have actually gone head to head from the spot once before!

The teams met in the 3rd Round of The FA Cup back in the 2007-08 season. Barnet were there thanks to 1st and 2nd Round wins against Gillingham and Burton Albion. The Bees pulled off a memorable draw at the County Ground against then League 1 Swindon Town courtesy of a brilliant curling effort from Adam Birchall to earn another chance at Underhill. It was to be another memorable night!



Paul Fairclough

Manager Paul Fairclough gave home debuts to Rob Beckwith in goal and Cliff Akurang in attack. He also has access to a very experienced bench which featured veterans Lee Harrison, Giuliano Grazioli and Ian Hendon.



Rob Beckwith

Barnet fell behind just before half time as Billy Paynter easily beat Beckwith with a fine effort. Early in the second half Paynter then made amends as far as Barnet fans were concerned when he turned Jason Puncheon's fierce shot into his own net. At the end of 90 minutes it was one goal each, although the Bees had played the last 17 minutes of the game with 10 men as Michael Leary had been sent off for what was in all honesty a horrible lunge at Sofiene Zaaboub.



Cliff Akurang

Paul Fairclough was clearly seen and heard cajoling his team with encouragement and attempting to convince them that they did have another gear, "Stay strong" was the message, "Stay strong". Barnet were indeed the better side in extra time with Puncheon and Kenny Gillett tormenting the Swindon defence. Anthony Thomas, on as a late substitute should have won the tie with a thunderous strike in the last minute but was thwarted by Peter Brezovan in the County goal.



Kenny Gillett

As the rain crashed down while the teams prepared for the shoot out, it appeared that Fairclough had already selected his five chosen penalty takers in advance, "Keep your head and get a good strike on the ball" was the simple message. It was common knowledge that the team had been practising their spot kicks all week in training and the cause was helped immediately as that man Paynter crashed the first spot kick against the bar. Thomas comfortably beat Brezovan and then Swindon failed again, Christian Roberts missing the target completely. Up stepped Ismail Yakubu who had performed admirably during the game but his weak effort also went wide. Hasney Aljofree then fired the ball over the bar and incredibly the Robins had missed their first three penalties. Substitute Joe O'Clearuill kept his nerve to score with ease leaving the lime light for debutante Beckwith, who made a fine diving save to parry the kick by Miguel Comminges. There was no way back for Swindon and Underhill went wild with celebrations. Beckwith was mobbed by all including Paul Fairclough.

The reward for the teams efforts was a 4th round tie at Underhill against Bristol Rovers which Barnet lost 0-1 but the Bees would have been a goal ahead in the first half if Jason Puncheon had kept his nerve – yes you guessed it, from the penalty spot!

Barnet: Beckwith, Devera, Porter, Gillett, Yakubu, Bishop, Leary, Puncheon, Nicolau, Akurang, Birchall.
Subs: Harrison, O'Clearuill, Hendon, Grazioli, Thomas. Attendance: 2,810



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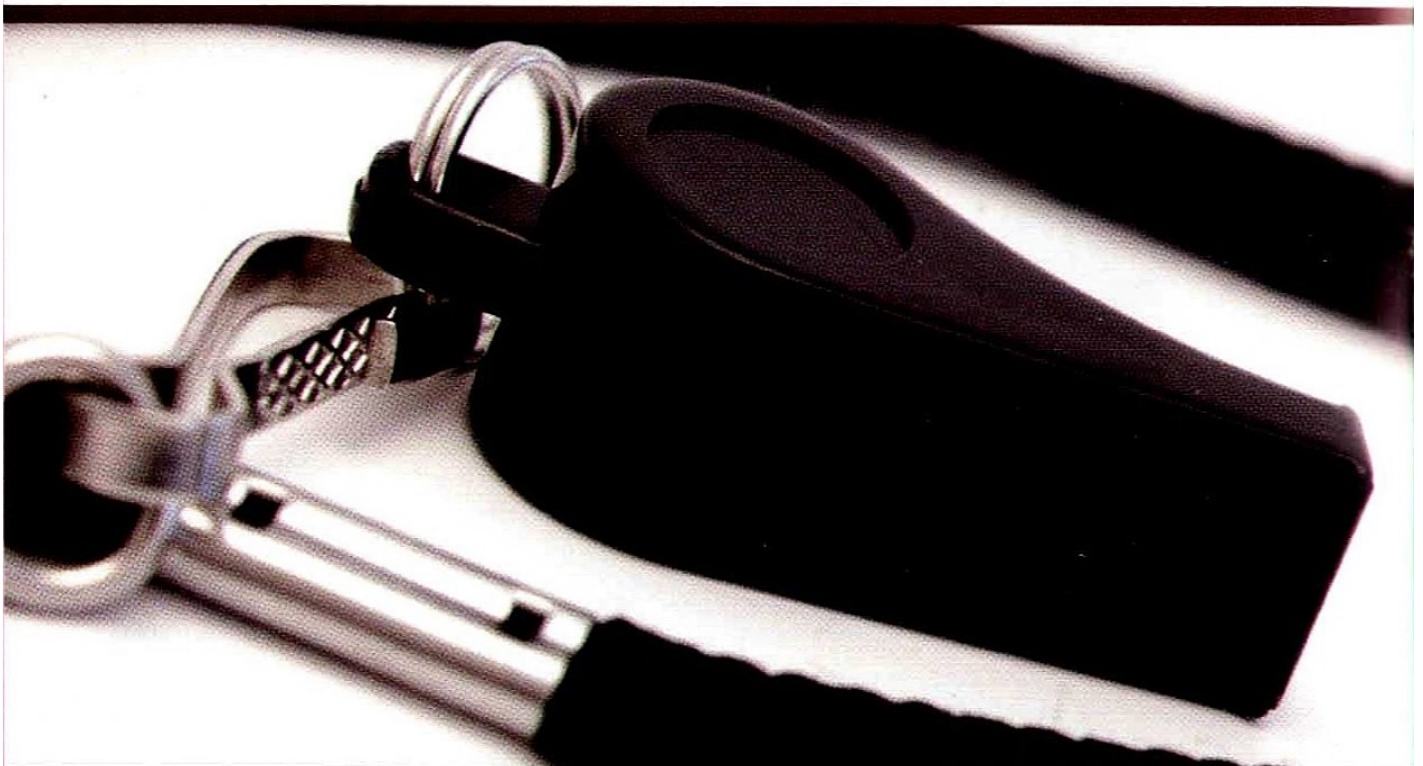
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1st ROUND

Scunthorpe United	2	Hartlepool United	0	1763
Tranmere Rovers	1	Port Vale	1	2546
Burton Albion	1	Sheffield United	2	2725
Colchester United	1	Barnet	3	1747
AFC Bournemouth	4	Hereford United	1	2489
Bradford City	0	Sheffield Wed	0	3519
Bury	0	Crewe Alexandra	0	1295
Cheltenham Town	2	Torquay United	1	1247
Exeter City	1*	Plymouth Argyle	1	3940
MK Dons	3	Brentford	3	4175
Northampton Town	1	Huddersfield Town	2	1776
Southend United	1	Crawley Town	0	2053
Walsall	2	Shrewsbury Town	1	2605
Wycombe Wanderers	3	Bristol Rovers	1	771
Accrington Stanley	3*	Carlisle United	3	1069
Leyton Orient	1	Dagenham&Red	1*	1420

2nd ROUND

Crewe Alexandra	1	Macclesfield Town	0	2271
Charlton Athletic	0	Brentford	3	3486
Gillingham	1	Barnet	3	1278
Huddersfield Town	2	Bradford City	2*	10489
Scunthorpe United	0	Oldham Athletic	1	2106
Exeter City	1	Swindon Town	2	2627
Rochdale	1*	Walsall	1	2089
Morecambe	2	Preston North End	2*	4385
Wycombe Wanderers	1	Cheltenham Town	3	931
AFC Wimbledon	2*	Stevenage	2	1416
Aldershot Town	1	Oxford United	2	1429
AFC Bournemouth	3	Yeovil Town	2	3265
Dagenham&Redbridge	1	Southend United	3	2395
Notts County	1	Chesterfield	3	2293
Rotherham United	1	Sheffield United	2	6737
Accrington Stanley	0	Tranmere Rovers	1	1509

3rd ROUND

Oldham Athletic	3	Crewe Alexandra	1	2163
Rochdale	1	Preston North End	1*	2395
Swindon Town	1*	AFC Wimbledon	1	4329
Brentford	6	AFC Bournemouth	0	3015
Cheltenham Town	0	Barnet	2	1388
Oxford United	0	Southend United	1	2415
Sheffield United	1	Bradford City	1*	5692
Chesterfield	4	Tranmere Rovers	3	3152

SEMI-FINALS

Oldham Athletic	2	Bradford City	0	5697
Barnet	0*	Brentford	0	1970
Preston North End	1	Chesterfield	1*	5835
Southend United	1	Swindon Town	2	3981

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Paul Downing

Full name: Paul Downing.

Nickname: JT.

Height: 6ft 2ins

Parent club: West Bromwich Albion

Loan spells: Hereford United, Shrewsbury Town and of course Barnet

Car: Ford Fiesta.

Favorite football team: Barcelona.

Most promising team-mate: Sam Deering

Best dressed: Jack Saville.

Worst dressed: Mark Marshall.

Most difficult opponent: Jason Roberts.

Most memorable match: FA Youth Cup – WBA v Aston Villa.

Biggest disappointment: Long-term injury when I was 16.

Best stadium played in: Villa Park, Aston Villa.

Favorite food and drink: Nando's and Coca Cola.

Miscellaneous likes and dislikes: Golf and losing.

Biggest fear: Not having a long career in football.

Favorite film: Man on Fire.

Favorite music: Listen to anything.

Biggest influence on career: Parents and Uncle.

If not a player, what job would you do: PE Teacher.

Which person would you most like to meet: David Beckham.



Paul Downing...

Paul is in conversation with Sean McCausland...

What attracted you most when signing for Barnet Football Club? The biggest attraction for me was the opportunity to play first team football. I was told before I came here that the club had a really good set up in terms of facilities and also a very decent bunch of players. So when I was told of a possible move I was eager to sign.

When an aspiring footballer which player did you look up to and why? John Terry is the player who I have continually aspired to be like. He plays in my position and is the captain of England. And he has almost won everything while playing as a centre back. I try to model my game on his, picking up pointers and trying to incorporate his attributes into my own game.

So what do you think when Lawrie Sanchez says you play in the style of John Terry? It's a big complainant to receive. And it nice to be acknowledged for a solid performance and it's a good comment. But I can't let myself get carried away by one comment, I have to continue playing and let my performances do

the talking.

What was your debut like in professional football? It was a good memory and a great game to play in. It's something you look forward to when you are in the youth set up so it was a relief to get my league debut out of the way in many ways.

And what about the game itself? Hereford United 2 Lincoln City 0 It was an important win for the side. We worked hard as a team to earn those three vital points. And a great start for my professional career to get it off with a win.

What would you say your strongest attributes as a player are? My strongest attribute is probably my ability to read the game, which helps me to intercept passes and breaking up attacking play. Another strong attribute is my general defensive ability. I am a good header and clearer of the ball and don't mind the odd tackle.

Which aspects of your game, do you believe you need to improve? I need to improve on my leadership skills on the pitch. I have to be more vocal and communicate better in situations. Another area I could improve on is

the ability to take the ball out of defence. Instead of clearing it I need to be able to take the ball out into the midfield area and look for a pass.

How has your partnership with Michael Hector at centre-back developed? Yeah it has been a good partnership that has developed positively over a good run of games. Hopefully we'll get to continue our partnership in the back four because he is a good player and we have fitted in well.

Is League 2 football physically tougher than you expected and how does it differ from Premier League reserve team football? Yeah it's a lot tougher than I expected. The football is a lot more direct and in your face. With the play being more direct you have to deal with situations that require brute strength in terms of winning headers from long balls and set pieces. So I've had to deal with the physicality of it, so that has been a step up for me. And another change is that you want to win every game, as points are so important in League 2 whereas in reserve football you knew that the result didn't affect the club quite as much as it would in the senior team. Another huge difference is the bigger attendances at games.

Ambitions for the season? I want to continue playing for Barnet making sure that I produce as many solid performances as I can. And of course the main aim is to push Barnet as far as we can up the league and secure a position that reflects the ambitions of the club. Also hopefully we can reach Wembley.

If you could play at any stadium where would it be? Wembley. It's the home of the national side and for me football. It's a dream of mine to play there and hopefully I can do that with Barnet.

Favorite player of all time? Zinedine Zidane is my favorite player. I watched him a lot when I was younger. He never failed to entertain me and was a really skillful player.

Any advice to those who want to become a professional footballer? Always work hard, believe in yourself and don't let others get in the way of your dream.

If you inherited £25,000 – what would you do with it? I would take my bother and friends on a holiday to Las Vegas.

Thanks Paul.

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Date	No of days	Venue	Code
Monday 13 th - Friday 17 th February	5	Underhill	BB-UNF
Monday 13 th - Wednesday 15 th February	3	The Hive	BB-HIF
10am - 12pm daily 5 Day Course - £25, 3 Day Course - £15, Daily - £5			

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Date	No of weeks	Venue	Code
14 th January - 11 th February	5	Underhill	BB-Sat2
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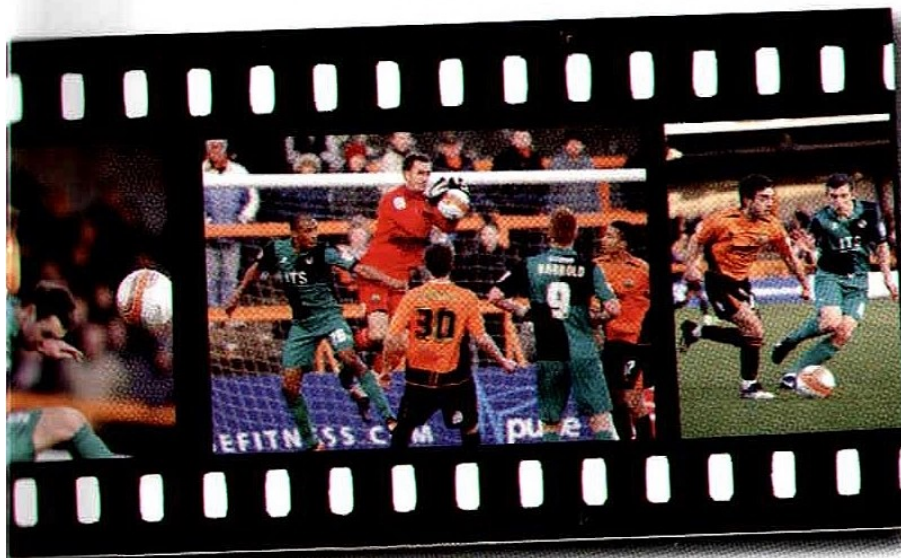
npower LEAGUE 2

Barnet v Bristol Rovers (02/01/12)

After two defeats on the road the Bees returned to Underhill for the first game of the New Year and recorded a 2-0 victory over Bristol Rovers; the same scoreline by which Barnet had won at the Memorial Stadium back in November.

Manager Lawrie Sanchez reunited the front pairing of Ricky Holmes and Izale McLeod and it was McLeod who opened the scoring on 69 minutes with a well timed run and proceeded to execute a lob over the advancing keeper. Clovis Kamdjo made the points safe for the home side on 80 minutes when he drilled home from close range, his third of the campaign. Pre-match the game had been described as "massive" and the clean sheet and the three points were gratefully received, a slight sadness being the subsequent removal from the Rovers manager's office of Paul Buckle following this defeat.(db)

(Photography by Ben Angel)



All The World Is A Stage...

Given his theatrics against Arsenal on the opening day of the season, Joey Barton can hardly complain about opposition players taking a dive, writes Chris Dunleavy.

Nevertheless, it's fair to say that Norwich star Bradley Johnson conned the ref into believing he'd been head-butted by the notorious QPR midfielder during last week's game at Loftus Road. Johnson's reel back/clutch face routine was good, but in the pantheon of great dives, it's got nothing on this lot.



Jurgen Klinsmann

THE original and still the best. Pelting down the right wing during the 1990 World Cup final, Germany striker Jurgen 'the springboard' Klinsmann saw Pedro Monzon coming a mile off.

The Argentina full-back launched into a challenge but, long before he made impact, Klinsmann was soaring through the air. Upon landing, he bounced, rolled and spasmed like the pitch was electrified and even kept up the act whilst the physios 'treated' him.

These days, no ref in the world have fallen for it, but Monzon was sent off and Germany went on to win 1-0.



Rivaldo

DURING Brazil's game against Turkey at the 2002 World Cup, Hakan Unsal booted the ball at Samba star Rivaldo, who was waiting to take a corner.

It connected with his shin but, somehow, the impact caused an agonising pain in the Brazilian's face, which he went down clutching like he'd suffered an acid attack.

Unsal was sent off; Rivaldo was condemned and later

fined £5,100 by FIFA. He was, however, unrepentant. "Obviously the ball didn't hit me in the face, but I was still the victim," he said. "I did not hit anyone in the face! Nobody remembers what that Turk did to me. I'm not a player who fakes fouls."



Peter Schmeichel

Born and raised on a Liverpool council estate, rotund striker Micky Quinn wasn't shy about using his fists – he once chinned John Fashanu after thinking the Wimbledon striker had knocked out his Portsmouth team-mate Billy Gilbert, though it turned out Gilbert had simply slipped and fallen over!

So when Peter Schmeichel started giving Quinn lip in 1993, he should have known what to expect. Quinn launched a haymaker, missed by miles, and the Man United keeper hit the deck. The ref was conned and Quinn was shown red.



Roberto Rojas

For sheer audacity, the best dive in history. Losing 1-0 to Brazil and facing up to the prospect of missing the 1990 World Cup, Chile keeper Roberto Rojas had long ago thought of a contingency plan.

So when a flare landed on the pitch, Rojas leapt into the smoke, sliced his own forehead with a razor blade hidden in his glove, and lay writhing in agony. The game was abandoned, but later awarded to Brazil after the dastardly plot came to light. Chile were banned from the next two World Cups and Rojas never played again.

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To enter, all you need to do is send your nomination to awards@football-league.co.uk. Please note that all nominees shortlisted must be free to attend the dinner on Sunday 11th March 2012.

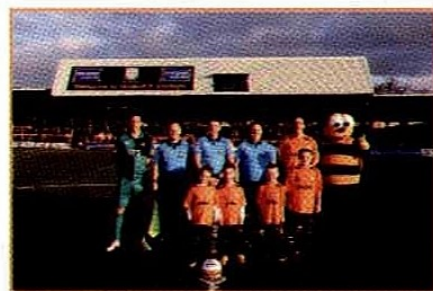
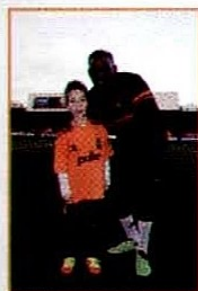
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Mascots Against Bristol Rovers

Bailey, Jake, Cameron and Declan were our four special mascots in our last home game. They had a great time and were photographed with their favourite Barnet players. Nice to see you says Mr Bumble and don't forget

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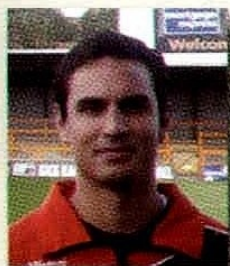
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James Thorne, Head of Youth Operations at Barnet FC writes about a Week In The Life Of The Youth Department...

Time management and organisation is paramount in the Youth Department. We plan for the whole year before pre-season training commences and I have to manage my time effectively so that I am able to keep in touch with all the activities that go on throughout the season across eleven squads.

The Centre of Excellence operates seven days a week throughout almost all of the year and has a full schedule all of the time. Across any given week we will on average have twelve to fifteen games to watch and thirty five different training sessions. Additionally, the coaching staff will get out to scout any time they are required to do so and watch any players we have out on loan or that are involved in other fixtures.

We operate for twelve months of the year giving the younger age groups a small break in the summer and a few weeks off over Christmas and new year. All staff meet regularly so that any changes to the schedule can be effectively communicated to both staff and players and the schedule is devised to make as much use of the summer months and good weather as possible.

We see all our players a minimum of four times a week with most groups in five or six days of a week. Seven day weeks for staff can be common and the staff make huge sacrifices so that we are able to deliver the best educational programme possible to our players across all the age groups.

We adopt a holistic approach to all our age groups and although each group has a designated coach sharing ideas, practices, training methods and seeing other staff is common place. All staff are encouraged to contribute in all areas so that everyone is aware of what is happening at the club, within the department and so that all players and staff are well acquainted with each other.

All the staff from the Head of Youth and Youth Team Coach get as excited and are as knowledgeable about our latest crop of Under 9s as the U9s are in the Youth Team and First Team results. Players and staff regularly work with different age groups and we try to achieve a balance between consistency of delivery and variety to keep the players and staff fresh and ready to learn.

We encourage everyone here to come out of their comfort zone and embrace all the challenges and experiences that come their way whether it be the Youth Team Coach taking the Under 9s or Herts Senior Cup Team to the Goalkeeper Coaches leading an outfield session.

All this takes a great deal of planning so along with regular board and management meetings, all our dealings with other clubs, the Football League, updating the website and trying to give everyone something interesting to read in the programme, life in the Youth Department is always varied, never dull and provides all the staff with an exciting challenge to get the very best out of themselves and all of the aspiring young players that make up the Barnet FC Centre of Excellence.



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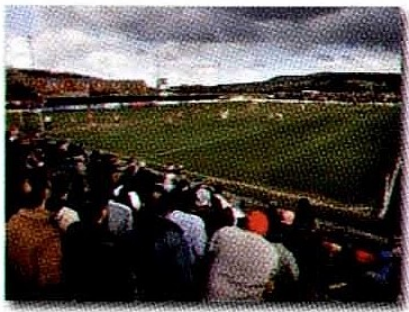
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THE RECKLESS GUIDE TO ACCRINGTON STANLEY...



Accrington Stanley v Barnet
npower League Division 2
Saturday 14 January 2012
Kick-Off 3.00pm

Stadium: Fraser Eagle Stadium, Livingstone Road
Accrington BB5 8BX

Telephone: 01254-356-950

Club Colours: Red & White

Nickname: The Stanley

Official Club Website: www.accringtonstanley.co.uk

Manager: John Coleman had a 20 year playing career mainly for a host of non league in the North West of England from 1979. A prolific striker who scored over 500 goals in that time, John was appointed player Manager at Ashton United before joining Stanley in 1999. He is the club's longest ever serving Manager.

Brief Directions By Road: An early start required for this one everybody - M1 and M6 junction 29 and onto the M65 signposted Blackburn. Leave the M65 at Junction 7, taking the Clitheroe turn off the roundabout. Turn right at the first set of traffic lights opposite The Clayton Business Park, following the A678 (Blackburn Road). Follow the road over the Canal Bridge to the next set of traffic lights. Turn right again going over the motorway bridge and towards Accrington on the A680 (Whalley Road). After approximately half a mile turn left into Livingstone Road to find the ground, which is 50 yards past the Crown Hotel on the left. These directions are based on those provided by Accrington Stanley FC.

Car Parking: Over 300 free spaces in two car parks available at the ground, and unrestricted in the surrounding streets. Bees fans will be probably be directed to their own parking area close to the away terrace turnstiles.

Directions By Train: A train from London Kings Cross will take around 4 hours with a change at Leeds. Accrington Station is a good 25 minutes walk away from the ground although the route passes numerous pubs! A bus from the station stops outside the Crown Pub, which virtually overlooks the ground and this runs every 15 minutes.

Supporters Coaches: Coaches this season are being run by the club. The coach will leave the Pavilion at 8.30am and the ticket price is £25. The Pav will open at approx 7.00am for pre-journey refreshments. Discounts on travel are available for season ticket holders, club members and association members. Bookings for coach travel for all 2011-12 season away games can be purchased online or by calling 02084496325. See page 48 for full details.

Eating And Drinking Locally: The place is inundated with pubs and many close to the ground on Whalley Road. The Crown literally overlooks the ground and is very friendly. My sources reveal that The Whittakers Arms 322 Burnley Rd is particularly happy to receive away fans. It is situated close to the old Peel Park ground from

Stanley's past. However there are many excellent pubs in the town centre too that come recommended; notably The Park Inn on the 68 Manchester Road which is supposedly haunted by an ex landlord called Edwin. It probably has a high fence surrounding it! The snack bars in the ground serve up excellent hot dogs, burgers and chips. Outside the ground is a Fish Bar which is very conveniently placed close to the ground in Whalley Road and opposite The Grey Horse pub it comes highly recommended by my contacts and I can recommend the Steak Puddings (meat and gravy encased in suet) which were available last season.

The Social Club: The social club is out of bounds to away fans before the game.

Ground Description: Accrington Stanley are a 1968 reincarnation of the old league club that played at the Peel Ground and folded in 1962. The existing ground stands and terracing have only been around since the 1990s. The main stand is actually two separate stands one either side of the halfway line and there is seating for around 1,200. The Whinney Hill stand opposite the main stands is covered seating although it is a little shallow. With segregation in force it is the open Coppice Terrace is given to the away contingent. The slightly larger newly covered home end The Sophia Khan Terrace with seating at the very front completes the picture.

Rivals: Burnley, Blackburn and even further back in the black and white days with long shorts, wing wizards, halfbacks and magic sponges, Nelson.

Admission Prices: Terrace Adults £15, Concessions (Students with ID, OAPs and under 18s) £10, Juniors and U17s £5.

Our Last Meeting & Memories: It was a long trek home from our last visit in April 2011, Mark Marshall's goals was the only cheer in a 3-1 defeat. Our last meetings in the Conference in season 2004-05 produced two home wins. In the February a 4-1 Stanley victory certainly was a wake-up call to then table-topping Bees and Giuliano Grazieri's last minute goal was purely a consolation. The previous November a 3-0 Barnet win came courtesy of goals from Simon King, Richard Graham and an own goal from Mike Flynn - although Liam Hatch desperately claimed the goal and he may well have been awarded with it.

Overnight Stay Factor: This trip is one of the longest away days and the attraction of an overnight stay becomes very appealing. Its grim oop north they say, but I am not so sure. I award an OSF of 6/10 just because one of the greatest British movies ever Whistle Down The Wind was shot just north towards Clitheroe, British cinema at its best. The club recommends Maple Lodge 70 Blackburn Road, Clayton-le-Moors, Accrington. Tel: 01254 301284 for En-suite bed and breakfast accommodation -check out their website <http://www.maplelodgehotel.co.uk> or The Wicketts Hotel 3 Blackburn Road, Rishton, Lancashire Tel: 01254 877878.

Celebrity Watch: Musical talent is in abundance in Accrington as Monkees singer and original Day Dream Believer Davy Jones hails from these parts - well his aunties do anyway. The lead vocalist with rock legends Yes, Jon Anderson and The 4 Pennies (who had a number one smash with 'Juliet' in 1964) come from the town. Reckless Wonder Fact: The lead singer of the 4 Pennies, Lionel Morton became a presenter on Play School. Accrington's famous sons and daughters also include Morecambe FC President Jim Bowen, National Lottery expert (who is so mystic that she still has to work) Mystic Meg, Cricketer David Lloyd and numerous world renown actors from Coronation Street and Emmerdale (Farm).



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Ladies To Make Underhill Return

Barnet FC Ladies will make a welcome return to Underhill this Sunday 15 January 2012 when they resume their fixtures after the Christmas and New Year break. The Bees will entertain Cardiff City in an FA Women's Premier League fixture, which will kick-off at 2pm.

Barnet ended 2011 with two "home" fixtures at Uxbridge FC's Honeycroft ground during a period of heavy activity on the pitch at Underhill. These matches resulted in a 4-2 win against Nottingham Forest and a 2-2 draw with Charlton Athletic. The Ladies' last appearance at Underhill was for the 1-4 defeat against Sunderland in early November. Barnet's first scheduled FA Women's Premier League National Division fixture of the New Year against Coventry City on Sunday 8th January was postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.



Tracey Kevins

Bees Manager Tracey Kevins is enthusiastic about the return to Underhill, for what will be her side's final home league match of the season.

"The players have really enjoyed playing at Underhill this season and are

looking forward to putting things right after losing against Sunderland in their last match on the ground. We ended 2011 on a positive note and are focused on getting as many points as possible from our last four league matches to finish as high up the National Division table as we can."

Barnet will be aiming to complete a league double over Cardiff City on Sunday, having won in South Wales in October. The Bees trailed 0-1 at half time in that encounter before Cheryl Williams restored parity in the scores early in the second half. The scores remained level until young striker Renata Inniss was introduced as a late substitute and was on hand to score a dramatic late winner.

Barnet FC Ladies complete their league programme with away matches against Charlton Athletic, Aston Villa and Coventry City and have their eyes set on a top four finish, which will represent the club's best ever league performance.

Cup Competitions Kick-In

The New Year will also signal a return to Cup Competition for the Bees. They begin their defence of the FA Women's Premier League Cup with group matches against National Division rivals Watford and Southern Division sides Colchester United, Tottenham Hotspur and West Ham United. The top two teams in the group are guaranteed passage to the knock-out stages of the competition.

Barnet will also soon learn their opponents in the Third Round of the FA Women's Cup. This is the stage that the ten FA Women's Premier League National Division enter the competition. Barnet FC Ladies have reached the semi-final of the FA Women's Cup in each of the last two seasons.

"2012 promises to be an exciting year for us" says Kevins "in addition to completing our league programme we will be looking to progress in three different cup competitions."

FA WOMEN'S PREMIER LEAGUE - NATIONAL DIVISION
(up to and including 8 January 2012)

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Sunderland	14	10	2	2	43	17	+26	32
2	Leeds United	15	10	2	3	29	10	+19	32
3	Charlton Athletic	16	7	4	5	24	21	+3	25
4	Coventry City	14	6	3	5	15	15	0	21
5	Barnet	14	6	2	6	28	20	+8	20
6	Aston Villa	13	5	3	5	20	20	0	18
7	Reading	16	5	1	10	24	37	-13	16
8	Cardiff City	10	4	3	3	9	6	+3	15
9	Nottingham Forest	13	3	2	8	16	34	-18	11
10	Watford	15	2	2	11	9	37	-28	8

Date	Opponents	Competition	H/A	Result
2011				
Sun 28 Aug	Leeds United	FAWPL National Division	H	0-1
Sun 4 Sep	Sunderland	FAWPL National Division	A	1-2
Sun 11 Sep	Reading	FAWPL National Division	H	5-1
Sun 25 Sep	Watford	FAWPL National Division	H	4-0
Sun 2 Oct	Nottingham Forest	FAWPL National Division	A	0-3
Sun 9 Oct	Coventry City	FAWPL National Division	H	3-0
Sun 16 Oct	Cardiff City	FAWPL National Division	A	2-1
Sun 23 Oct	Aston Villa	FAWPL National Division	H	4-0
Sun 30 Oct	Leeds United	FAWPL National Division	A	2-2
Sun 6 Nov	Sunderland	FAWPL National Division	H	1-4
Sun 13 Nov	Reading	FAWPL National Division	A	0-1
Sun 27 Nov	Watford	FAWPL National Division	A	0-1
Sun 4 Dec	Nottingham Forest	FAWPL National Division	H	4-2
Sun 18 Dec	Charlton Athletic	FAWPL National Division	H	2-2
2012				
Sun 15 Jan	Cardiff City	FAWPL National Division	H	
Sun 22 Jan	Charlton Athletic	FAWPL National Division	A	
Sun 29 Jan	Tottenham Hotspur	FAWPL Cup Group Stage	A	
Sun 5 Feb		FA Women's Cup 3		
Sun 12 Feb	Watford	FAWPL Cup Group Stage	H	
Sun 19 Feb	Enfield Town	Middlesex Cup SF	H	
Sun 26 Feb	West Ham United	FAWPL Cup Group Stage	H	
Sun 4 Mar	Colchester United	FAWPL Cup Group Stage	A	
Sun 18 Mar	Aston Villa	FAWPL National Division	A	
TBA	Coventry City	FAWPL National Division	A	

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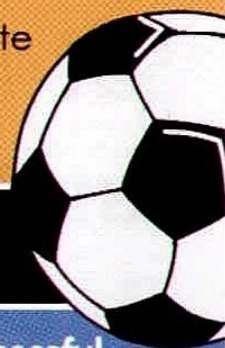
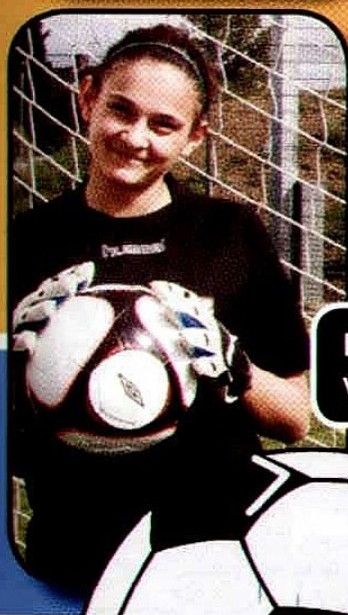
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NEXT AT UNDERHILL STADIUM...

Barnet v Crewe Alexandra
Saturday 28 January 2012. Kick-Off 3.00pm



With Barnet playing away for the next two Saturdays, the next League 2 encounter at Underhill will not be until the last weekend of this month, with the Bees squaring up to the Railwaymen of Crewe Alexandra in their first 3.00pm Saturday home league kick-off since the end of October, writes James Castle. Alex find themselves safely ensconced in mid-table prior to Saturday's home league match against Plymouth Argyle, and will be hoping to do as well as they did in their last away fixture, a 5-2 victory at Bristol Rovers.

Only Cheltenham and Southend, currently second and third in the table, have won more games on the road in the division than Crewe's six so far this season, a record that has seen the club take almost two-thirds of their current points haul away from Gresty Road this campaign. The Bees can take heart from the fact that their next visitors have lost as many as they have won, and a fast start from Lawrie Sanchez's men may prove to be an advantage, with the Alex winning all but one of these away games after opening the scoring.

Crewe have the edge historically over Barnet, with six wins to the Bees' two in nine previous meetings, and they won the corresponding fixture 3-1 back in September to add to their 7-0 victory at Gresty Road the season before. Barnet's two triumphs have both come at Underhill though, including a nail-biting 2-1 win last April that proved crucial to the clubs league survival come the end of the campaign.

Neither side has ever kept a clean sheet on this ground, which bodes well for an action-packed encounter with plenty of goal-mouth incident. Both sides will be going after all three points to push themselves further up the table, which suggests that this is one fixture not to be missed.

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THE RECKLESS GUIDE TO NORTHAMPTON TOWN...



Northampton Town v Barnet
npower League 2
Saturday 21 January 2012
Kick-Off 3.00pm

Stadium Sixfields Stadium, Upton Way, Northampton NN5 5QA

Telephone 01604 757773

Club Colours Claret and White

Nickname The Cobblers

Official Club Website www.ntfc.co.uk

Manager: Adrian (Aidy) Boothroyd who joined the Cobblers in November 2011 after being released by Coventry City last March. Aidy has also managed at Watford, taking them into the Premiership, and Colchester United. His playing career was cut short in his mid 20s due to injury – as a full back he appeared for Huddersfield Town, Bristol Rovers, Mansfield Town and Peterborough United.

Brief Directions by Road: A nice an easy one! M1 to junction 15a (signposted Northampton (N) A43). Simply follow the signs for the A43. After approx. 2 miles take the 2nd exit at the roundabout, effectively straight on (still on the A43) and you will see the ground directly ahead. Follow this road until you reach the next roundabout adjacent to the Little Chef and TGI Friday and turn right into the stadium complex.

Car Parking: After turning into the complex turn right at the next small roundabout and down the slope to the parking area to your right. There is a £3 charge for parking. In the past I have experienced delays in getting out of the car park and onto the A43 after the game, therefore try and get a space close to and facing the exit gate.

Directions by Train: London Euston trains bound for Birmingham New Street stop at Northampton, journey time approx. 75 minutes. Once outside the station a choice of three buses will take you to the ground, the numbers 1, 27 and 28. A taxi will cost about £6.00. Walking time from the station to the ground is around 30 minutes and a bit of a trek.

Supporters Coaches: Coaches for this season are being run by the club. The coach will leave the Pavilion at 12.30am and the ticket price is £20. The Pav will open at approx 11.00am for pre-journey refreshments. Discounts on travel are available for season ticket holders and club members. Bookings for coach travel for all 2011-12 season away games can be purchased online or by calling 02084496325. Full details are on page 48.

Eating and Drinking Locally: The Magic Tower is a pub/restaurant on the complex which gets full of home fans before the game while the Sixfields Tavern never used allow away fans – no 100% sure this has been relaxed. The Megabowl, behind the home end

has a good range of drinks while TGI Fridays is allegedly where most away fans head for. The best bet is to find a pub in the town centre like my good self get there early enough for a meal and a quiet drink. There are a couple of those unmentionable fast food establishments in the leisure complex a few minutes walk from the car park but very little else apart from the Old Orleans which is an OK bar/restaurant – inexpensive grills/steaks. Food inside the ground I am reliably informed is OK, fairly varied and of average price.

Ground Description: Northampton Town originally played at the Northamptonshire County Cricket ground, which was only 3 sided as directly opposite the modest main stand was the expanse of the cricket pitch.

The fully covered Sixfields Stadium was opened in October 1994 with a full house for the visit of a certain Barnet FC whose goal in the 1-1 draw was scored by Dougie Freedman. The arena, which frankly has little character but football has changed and this type of the stadium is now the norm, resembles a larger version of the stadium constructed for Chester City but is all seated. The single tiered main stand holds 4,000 while the Alwyn Hargrave Stand opposite about half that number. The stands at either end of the ground (South and North) are identical and do not quite stretch the width of the pitch. These stands are designed to allow for easy extension. The Paul Cox Panel & Paint South Stand is reserved for away fans and can accommodate up to 800 although some seats have restricted views. It does however have excellent facilities for the disabled.

Admission Prices: South Stand – Adults £19, Concessions £15, Under 18s £6. Disabled £13 (with carer free of charge)

Our Last Meeting & Memories: Our last visit was in February when we came home with a point in a 0-0 draw in front of nearly 5,000. Our visit in 2005 was very memorable however when the floodlights failed before the teams returned after an eternity and Nicky Bailey sealed a superb 2-1 win. Barnet have had some unforgettable times against Northampton Town including winning an FA Cup 1st round replay in 1989 when we were still a Conference side 1-0 on one of the coldest evenings ever. The winning goal was eventually credited to the much missed Kevin Durham direct from a corner in the second half. Barnet held on, just. However the replay should never have been as the Cobbler's Bobby Barnes was guilty of one of the misses of the decade in the first game drawn 0-0 at Underhill in front of the Match of the Day cameras.

Celebrity Watch and Interesting Info: Northampton are the only club to suffer four successive relegations from Division 1 to Division 4 although they may not thank you for reminding them. The road which leads to Sixfields - Walter Tull Way - is named after allegedly only the 2nd black footballer in English Football – Lieutenant Tull was unfortunately killed in action in France during World War 1. Formula 1 motor racing brothers Michael and Ralph Shumacher bought a sizeable piece of land close to Northampton and built a pair of houses for their families. American actor and singer David Soul, famous for his role as 1970s TV Cop Ken Hutchinson in Starsky & Hutch and two number 1 hit singles in the UK has a cottage in the nearby village of Upper-Elmington. Northampton Town had allegedly made offers for various Barnet players over the years including Dougie Freedman, Duncan Hardy, Roger 'Harry' Willis and Andy Clarke.



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Year	N/S			ATT	HOMES	AWAYS	
1984	FN	Hull City	4	Tranmere Rovers	1	5478 Taylor 2, Roberts G 2	Hutchinson
1984	FS	Bournemouth	2	Millwall	1	4058 Thompson, O'Driscoll	Cusack
1984	F	Hull City	1	Bournemouth	2	6544 McNeil	Graham, Morrell
1985	FN	Mansfield Town	1	Wigan Athletic	1	5214 Foster	Foster (og)
1985	FS	Brentford	6	Newport County	0	8214 Cassells 2 (1p), Roberts G 4	
1985	F	Wigan Athletic	3	Brentford	1	39897 Newell, Kelly, Lowe	Cooke
1986	FN1	Wigan Athletic	0	Bolton Wanderers	1	6975	Caldwell
1986	FN2	Bolton Wanderers	2	Wigan Athletic	1	12120 Oghani, Caldwell	Jewell
1986	FS1	Hereford United	2	Bristol City	0	7608 Phillips, Kearns	
1986	FS2	Bristol City	3	Hereford United	0	11558 Tiley, Pejic (og), Neville	
1986	F	Bristol City	3	Bolton Wanderers	0	54000 Riley 2, Pritchard	
1987	FN1	Mansfield Town	2	Chester City	0	7679 Stringfellow, Cassells	
1987	FN2	Chester City	1	Mansfield Town	0	8187 Woodthorpe	
1987	FS1	Aldershot	1	Bristol City	2	5000 Langley	Jordan, Newman
1987	FS2	Bristol City	2	Aldershot	0	16371 Jordon, Walsh	
1987	F	Mansfield Town	1	Bristol City	1	P 58586 Kent	Riley
1988	FN1	Burnley	0	Preston North End	0	15680	
1988	FN2	Preston North End	1	Burnley	3	e 17592 Brazil	Oghani, Hoskin, Comstive
1988	FS1	Notts County	1	Wolverhampton Wan.	1	10041 McParland	Bull
1988	FS2	Wolverhampton Wan.	3	Notts County	0	18413 Bull 2, Downing	
1988	F	Wolverhampton Wan.	2	Burnley	0	80841 Mutch, Dennison	
1989	FN1	Bolton Wanderers	1	Blackpool	0	10345 Darby	
1989	FN2	Blackpool	1	Bolton Wanderers	1	e 9027 Garner (p)	Thompson (p)
1989	FS1	Torquay United	1	Wolverhampton Wan.	2	4612 Edwards	Bull 2
1989	FS2	Wolverhampton Wan.	0	Torquay United	2	22532	Edwards, Loram
1989	F	Bolton Wanderers	4	Torquay United	1	46513 Darby, Chandier, Crombie, Morgan	Edwards
1990	FN1	Tranmere Rovers	2	Doncaster Rovers	0	10004 Muir, Malkin	
1990	FN2	Doncaster Rovers	1	Tranmere Rovers	1	6670 Jones D	Muir
1990	FS1	Bristol Rovers	1	Notts County	0	6480 Mehew	
1990	FS2	Notts County	0	Bristol Rovers	0	10857	
1990	F	Tranmere Rovers	2	Bristol Rovers	1	48402 Muir, Steel	White
1991	FN1	Tranmere Rovers	4	Preston North End	0	8633 Muir 3 (1p), Harvey	
1991	FN2	Preston North End	1	Tranmere Rovers	0	5763 Jepson	
1991	FS1	Birmingham City	2	Brentford	1	16219 Rodgeron, Gayle	Gayle
1991	FS2	Brentford	0	Birmingham City	1	8745	Sturridge
1991	F	Birmingham City	3	Tranmere Rovers	2	58756 Sturridge, Gayle 2	Cooper, Steel
1992	FN1	Burnley	0	Stockport County	1	13259	Francis
1992	FN2	Stockport County	2	Burnley	1	8260 Francis, Gannon	Pender
1992	FS1	Stoke City	3	Peterborough United	3	14355 Biggins 2, sandford	Halsall, Charlery, Overson (og)
1992	FS2	Peterborough United	0	Stoke City	1	12214	Ware
1992	F	Stoke City	1	Stockport County	0	48339 Stein	
1993	FN1	Wigan Athletic	2	Stockport County	1	4136 Daley, Griffiths	Gannon
1993	FN2	Stockport County	2	Wigan Athletic	0	6315 Ward, Francis	
1993	FS1	Port Vale	2	Exeter City	1	8866 Kerr (p), Taylor	Bailey
1993	FS2	Exeter City	1	Port Vale	1	7060 Minett	Slaven
1993	F	Port Vale	2	Stockport County	1	35885 Kerr, Slaven	Francis
1994	FS1	Swansea City	3	Wycombe Wanderers	1	6335 Pascoe 2, Bowen	Garner
1994	FS2	Wycombe Wanderers	1	Swansea City	0	6710 Hemmings	
1994	FN1	Huddersfield Town	4	Carlisle United	1	10552 Jackson, Bullock, Starbuck, Dunn	Davey (p)
1994	FN2	Carlisle United	2	Huddersfield Town	0	8330 Mitchell (og), Joyce	
1994	F	Swansea City	1	Huddersfield Town	1	P 47733 McFarlane	Logan
1995	FS1	Birmingham City	1	Leyton Orient	0	24002 Shearer	
1995	FS2	Leyton Orient	2	Birmingham City	3	10830 Purso, McGleish	Claridge 2, Williams
1995	FN1	Carlisle United	4	Rochdale	1	8647 Currie, Thomas 2, Conway	Whitehall (p)
1995	FN2	Rochdale	2	Carlisle United	1	4082 Whitehall, Reid	Mountfield
1995	F	Birmingham City	1	Carlisle United	0	s 76633 Tait	
1996	FS1	Shrewsbury Town	1	Bristol Rovers	1	5212 Taylor	Matthew
1996	FS2	Bristol Rovers	0	Shrewsbury Town	1	7050	Stevens
1996	FN1	Rotherham United	2	Carlisle United	0	6858 Goater, Richardson (p)	
1996	FN2	Carlisle United	0	Rotherham United	2	6692	Jemson 2
1996	F	Rotherham United	2	Shrewsbury Town	1	32235 Jemson 2	Taylor
1997	FN1	Carlisle United	2	Stockport County	0	7057 Archdeacon 2 (1p)	
1997	FS1	Peterborough United	2	Colchester United	0	4556 Otto, Charlery	
1997	FS2	Colchester United	3	Peterborough United	0	s 5000 Fry, Buckle, Abrahams	
1997	FN2	Stockport County	0	Carlisle United	0	8593	
1997	F	Carlisle United	0	Colchester United	0	P 45077	
1998	FN1	Grimsby Town	1	Burnley	1	6064 Groves	Payton
1998	FS1	Walsall	0	Bournemouth	2	6017	Rolling, Beardsmore
1998	FS2	Bournemouth	2	Walsall	3	8972 Evans (og), Rolling	Thomas, Boli, Tholot
1998	FN2	Burnley	0	Grimsby Town	2	10257	Noga, Donovan
1998	F	Grimsby Town	2	Bournemouth	1	s 62432 Glass (og), Burnett	Bailey
1999	FS1	Millwall	1	Walsall	0	11626 Cahill	
1999	FN1	Wigan Athletic	2	Wrexham	0	4938 Sharp, Barlow	
1999	FS2	Walsall	1	Millwall	1	9158 Eyjolfsson	Sadler
1999	FN2	Wrexham	2	Wigan Athletic	3	4941 Brammer, Edwards	Haworth 2, O'Neill
1999	F	Wigan Athletic	1	Millwall	0	55349 Rogers	
2000	FS1	Bristol City	4	Exeter City	0	12742 Thorpe, Beadle, Murray, Burnell	
2000	FN1	Rochdale	1	Stoke City	3	4241 Holt	Hansson, Thorne 2
2000	FS2	Exeter City	1	Bristol City	1	2929 Speakman	Beadle
2000	FN2	Stoke City	1	Rochdale	0	16876 Thorne	

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2000	F	Stoke City	2	Bristol City	1	75057	Kavanagh G, Thorne	Spencer
2001	FN1	Lincoln City	0	Port Vale	2	4813		Bridge-Wilkinson, Naylor
2001	FS1	Southend United	1	Brentford	2	5055	Whelan	Dobson 2
2001	FS2	Brentford	2	Southend United	1	6579	Ingimarsson, Owusu	Searle
2001	FN2	Port Vale	0	Lincoln City	0	5172		
2001	F	Port Vale	2	Brentford	1	25654	Bridge-Wilkinson (p), Brooker	Dobson
2002	FN1	Blackpool	3	Huddersfield Town	1	4573	Wellens, J Murphy, Taylor	Schofield
2002	FS1	Cambridge United	0	Bristol City	0	3470		
2002	FS2	Bristol City	0	Cambridge United	2	12264		One 2
2002	FN2	Huddersfield Town	2	Blackpool	1	7736	Wijnhard (p), Schofield	Bullock
2002	F	Blackpool	4	Cambridge United	1	20287	J Murphy, Clarke, Hills, Taylor	Wanless (p)
2003	FS1	Bristol City	4	Cambridge United	2	7173	Doherty, Burnell, Murray, Robins	Kitson 2
2003	FN1	Carlisle United	1	Shrewsbury Town	0	5163	Rundle	
2003	FS2	Cambridge United	0	Bristol City	3	3956		
2003	FN2	Shrewsbury Town	0	Carlisle United	0	6273		Carey, Murray, Roberts
2003	F	Bristol City	2	Carlisle United	0	50913	Peacock, Rosenior	
2004	FN1	Blackpool	1	Sheffield Wednesday	0	7482	Taylor	
2004	FS1	Colchester United	2	Southend United	3	5401	Pinault, Andrews	Constantine, Broughton, Bramble
2004	FN2	Sheffield Wednesday	0	Blackpool	2	21390		Sharon, Southern
2004	FS2	Southend United	1	Colchester United	1	9603	Broughton	Izzet
2004	F	Blackpool	2	Southend United	0	34031	Murphy, Coid	
2005	FS1	Bristol Rovers	1	Southend United	2	7110	Walker	Dudfield, Gower
2005	FN1	Oldham Athletic	3	Wrexham	5	2881	Vernon 2 (1p), Eyres	Ugarte 3, Mark Jones, Ferguson
2005	FS2	Southend United	2	Bristol Rovers	2	8145	Gray, Eastwood	Walker, Agogo
2005	FN2	Wrexham	1	Oldham Athletic	0	5814	Llewellyn	
2005	F	Wrexham	2	Southend United	0	36216	Ugarte, Ferguson	
2006	FN1	Carlisle United	2	Macclesfield Town	1	5706	Hawley, Murphy	Smart
2006	FS1	Swansea City	1	Colchester United	0	7285	Akinfenwa	
2006	FS2	Colchester United	1	Swansea City	2	3236	Danns	Britton, Knight
2006	FN2	Macclesfield Town	3	Carlisle United	2	3598	Teague, McNeil, Townson	Harley, Grand
2006	F	Swansea City	2	Carlisle United	1	42028	Trundle, Akinfenwa	A Murray
2007	FS1	Bristol City	0	Bristol Rovers	0	18730		
2007	FN1	Crewe Alexandra	3	Doncaster Rovers	3	4631	Moss, Lowe, Varney	Heffernan 2 (1p), Stock
2007	FS2	Bristol Rovers	1	Bristol City	0	11530	Lambert	
2007	FN2	Doncaster Rovers	3	Crewe Alexandra	2	12561	Heffernan 2 (1p), Price	Varney, Lowe
2007	F	Doncaster Rovers	3	Bristol Rovers	2	59024	Forde, Heffernan, Lee	Walker R (p), Igoe
2008	FN1	Morecambe	0	Grimsby Town	1	3207		Bolland
2008	FS1	Swansea City	0	Milton Keynes Dons	1	10125		Johnson
2008	FN2	Grimsby Town	0	Morecambe	0	7417		
2008	FS2	Milton Keynes Dons	0	Swansea City	1	9757		Scotland (p)
2008	F	Milton Keynes Dons	2	Grimsby Town	0	56618	Andrews (p), O'Hanlon	
2009	FS1	Brighton & Hove Albion	0	Luton Town	0	6127		
2009	FN1	Scunthorpe United	2	Rotherham United	0	6038	Woolford, Pearce	Forster
2009	FS2	Luton Town	1	Brighton & Hove Albion	1	8711	Craddock	Hooper
2009	FN2	Rotherham United	0	Scunthorpe United	1	6555		Hooper, McCann
2009	F	Luton Town	3	Scunthorpe United	2	55378	Martin, Craddock, Gnaka	Kavanagh, Anyinsah
2010	FN1	Leeds United	1	Carlisle United	2	13011	Crowe	Antonio
2010	FS1	Milton Keynes Dons	0	Southampton	1	7918		Snodgrass, Crowe, Grella
2010	FN2	Carlisle United	2	Leeds United	3	9430	Clayton, Hurst	Randall
2010	FS2	Southampton	3	Milton Keynes Dons	1	29901	Lambert, Woodards (og), Lallana	Madine
2010	F	Southampton	4	Carlisle United	1	73476	Lambert 9p, Lallana, Papa Waigo, Antonio	Cureton
2011	FS1	Brentford	1	Exeter City	1	3093	Alexander	
2011	FN1	Carlisle United	4	Huddersfield Town	0	3706	Marshall, Taiwo, Murphy, Michalik	
2011	FS2	Exeter City	1	Brentford	2	5322	Nardiello	Saunders, Alexander
2011	FN2	Huddersfield Town	3	Carlisle United	0	6528	Pilkington, Lee 2	
2011	F	Carlisle United	1	Brentford	0	40476	Murphy	

e = extra time

H = home club won on pens, no extra time

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Carlisle United lift the Trophy at Wembley last season.



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Italian Connection

Barnet have other problems, not least the unfortunate eccentricity of Final Score to refer to us as BRNT on BBC One each Saturday evening- something that Gabby Logan needs to address immediately. We have a welcome distraction this evening however; as Swindon visit us for the Johnstone's Paint Area Final - 1st leg. Up at the County Ground in September it was heartening to see my two favourite Italians standing shoulder to shoulder in the technical area - Giuliano Grazioli and Paolo Di Canio. Lauren Bragg still cherishes the autograph and photo of herself and Paolo, which she acquired when West Ham visited Underhill for the Paul Wilson testimonial. Doubtless she regales her little boy Jayden with tales of how charming Razor Ruddock was that night.

Trust Launch Night

On 28 January, after the Crewe game sees the official launch night of the Barnet Trust at the Pavilion. Exact details of the format of the evening are being finalised, but will include the introduction of the first directors.

Archive Feature

My first visit to the County Ground was on a freezing cold Sunday afternoon 6 December 1992. On those days ITV used to often cover matches from Barclays Division One as it was then known. Glenn Hoddle was the Swindon manager, the first time that I saw the great player live. It was to be the Robins promotion season, despite finishing fifth they reached the Premier League via the Play-Offs. Derby County won that afternoon 4-2 against a team including Colin Calderwood, Mickey Hazard, Paul Bodin and the current Torquay manager Martin Ling. To achieve promotion, Swindon won at Wembley against Leicester City. To play at the Stadium something both of tonight's teams are now just two games from achieving.

Quiz Evening

Barnet are next in action on Monday 23 January at Old Red Lion Public House when they take on Dagenham & Redbridge in the Home Counties

Football League Cup. Come along and compare your knowledge of all things football. It starts at 7.45pm, all welcome. The evening is highlighted on my Christmas gift from Hendon FC, the classic must-have calendar Tea Huts of the Rymans League, which recently trended on Twitter and is very nearly a sell-out.

Away Travel

We find ourselves away on consecutive Saturdays, starting on 14 January with the long journey to Accrington Stanley with a start time of 8.30 am. Just a few weeks later shorter jaunts to Northampton Town and Oxford United with far later departure times of 12.30pm, although the Pav will be open earlier in both cases for breakfast. The fare for both the latter games is £20. Full details on page 48

Higher Ground

The latest entrant to our competition is Phil Brown who has seen the Bees at an outstanding 151 grounds. He will have been shocked at all the postponements on Boxing Day for reasons including structural damage, flood light failure and high winds up in Scotland. On New Year's Day there were a few games abandoned due to the rain, and Staines Town were close to following them although the conditions were not as severe as the aqua planing at Underhill in 1992 when we lost the replay to AFC Bournemouth in frankly farcical conditions. If you have stories about your travels with the Bees contact alex_jones1965@hotmail.co.uk

Sky High

We welcome the Sky cameras tonight on a rare visit to Underhill and hope for a great 1st leg as Wembley beckons...



Good Luck to the Bees

Alex Jones

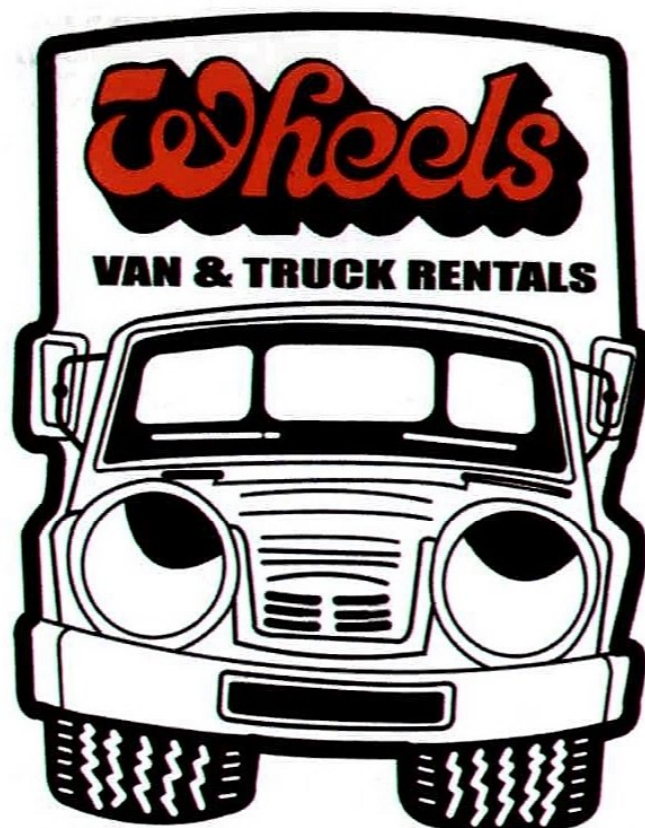


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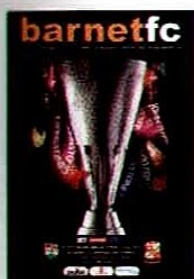
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Hang On To This Programme!...



The founder of "Programme Monthly" magazine John Litster describes the programmes and the often fascinating stories that lie behind them in a series that he calls...COLLECTORS' TALES...

And who knows what an autographed programme from tonight's final will bring in the years to come?...

Collecting autographs used to be a compulsory part of being a young football fan. In the days when there was easy access to players as they came and went from the local football ground for matches and training, there was usually a number of shiny faced schoolboys waiting with pencils and autograph books poised.

Norman Shiel remembered his autograph collecting days in issue 251 of Programme Monthly. "As a youngster I had a couple of autograph books on the go and they now contain a very motley collection of items. Stanley Matthews in the early sixties sent a reply from Stoke to my plea for an autograph and it certainly looks genuine to me. Some I was able to get myself at the various benefit and charity games which brought stars, usually in their twilight years, closer to the fans; Len Shackleton, Jackie Milburn, Brian Clough and such like all fall into this category.

I also have, however, religiously stuck into my album a series of Newcastle United players autographs from the mid-sixties which came through the local paper in return for vouchers. I have to this day no idea whether they are genuine. After all we are surely most of us aware of the signed footballs given away by clubs to sponsors or draw winners who have indeed been signed but not by the players!

"I do have one album which was given to me at the end of the season by a player. He was never a big name playing only a few games for Nottingham Forest in the early sixties but because he came from my part of the world and knew the family he simply left the album in the visiting dressing room for a season and sometimes there would be a few signatures, sometimes loads. I see no reason to doubt the authenticity of these.

"For myself I much prefer items which are in themselves desirable and then further enhanced by autographs. Menu cards are very good examples of this. I have tried to collect them from the post cup-final banquets after all the pre-war finals. This is neither easy nor cheap. Some I have which are plain and they can be attractive and, depending on what is



in them, of some historical interest. The ones that really come to life however are those which have the signatures of the players and often some of the more or less distinguished guests. Bob Crompton an early Rovers great signed the 1928 menu as manager; Tom Webster drew a whole cartoon with his signature in the huge 1933 menu and Stanley Rous' neat signature is there in 1935, his first final as secretary to the FA. My favourite however is the Bolton menu from 1923 which was given to me by the son of the Wanderers goalkeeper.

"Autographs on programmes usually make them look scruffy. Even at my age I couldn't resist getting big Neville Southall to sign my Exeter City programme after a visit from Torquay for whom he was then playing. Generally however the only signatures that seem attractive to me on programmes are when they have been specially done by a complete side after a special match. My friend Ceri Stennett has a superb example of this which he got from his friend Ernie Curtis, the last surviving player from the Cardiff Cup-Final team of 1927. He has the match programme signed by all the Cardiff players at the time and then signed again by Curtis with a dedication personally to him. Presumably all the other Cardiff players must have had similarly signed programmes which may or may not have survived.

"Does it matter when something is signed? I don't really know how to answer that. One of the few signed photographs I have is of William McCracken in his prime, sent to me as a schoolboy and signed by the great man in his old age. I treasure that even though it was signed decades after he finished playing."

Without doubt, historical documents in the history of the game.

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Mark BYRNE
Steve KABBA
Sam DEERING
Ricky HOLMES
Lloyd OWUSU
Sam COX


			KO	COMP	RESULT	ATT	AWAY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14
Aug	Sat 6	Morecambe	A	15:00	L2	W 1-0	1,874	210												
	Tue 9	Portsmouth	A	19:45	CC1	W 1-0	4,464	200												
	Sat 13	Port Vale	H	15:00	L2	L 1-3	2,260	390												
	Tue 16	Gillingham	H	19:45	L2	D 2-2	2,466	1,052												
	Sat 20	Rotherham United	A	15:00	L2	D 2-2	3,546	82												
	Tue 23	Burnley	A	19:45	CC2	L 2-3aet	4,273	77												
	Sat 27	Bradford City	A	15:00	L2	L 2-4	9,656	120												
	Tue 30	Colchester United	A	19:30	JPT1	W 3-1	1,747	186												
Sept	Sat 3	Accrington Stanley	H	15:00	L2	D 0-0	2,380	182												
	Sat 10	Crewe Alexandra	A	15:00	L2	L 1-3	3,142	138												
	Tue 13	Plymouth Argyle	H	19:45	L2	W 2-0	1,849	438												
	Sat 17	Oxford United	H	15:00	L2	L 0-2	2,812	1,014												
	Sat 24	Swindon Town	A	15:00	L2	L 0-4	7,279	178												
Oct	Sat 1	Northampton Town	H	15:00	L2	L 1-2	2,304	631												
	Tue 4	Gillingham	A	19:00	JPT2	W 3-1	1,278	49												
	Sat 8	Shrewsbury Town	A	15:00	L2	L 2-3	5,192	79												
	Sat 15	Aldershot Town	H	15:00	L2	W 2-1	2,015	350												
	Sat 22	Hereford United	A	15:00	L2	L 0-1	2,124	93												
	Tue 25	Southend United	H	19:45	L2	L 0-3	2,744	1,216												
	Sat 29	Burton Albion	H	15:00	L2	L 3-6	1,745	209												
Nov	Sat 5	AFC Wimbledon	A	15:00	L2	D 1-1	4,369	579												
	Tue 8	Cheltenham Town	A	19:45	JPTQF	W 2-0	1,388	72												
	Sat 12	Southport	A	15:00	FAC1	W 2-1	1,939	112												
	Sat 19	Bristol Rovers	A	15:00	L2	W 2-0	5,024	198												
	Fri 25	Macclesfield Town	H	19:45	L2	W 2-1	2,200	142												
Dec	Sat 3	Milton Keynes Dons	H	15:00	FAC2	L 1-3	2,608	912												
	Tue 6	Brentford	H	19:45	JPTSF	W 0-0P	1,970	899												
	Fri 9	Torquay United	A	19:45	L2	L 0-1	2,125	77												
	Fri 16	Cheltenham Town	H	19:45	L2	D 2-2	1,775	220												
	Mon 26	Dagenham & R	A	13:00	L2	L 0-3	2,135	513												
	Fri 30	Crawley Town	A	19:45	L2	L 0-1	3,008	282												
Jan	Mon 2	Bristol Rovers	H	15:00	L2	W 2-0	2,537	431												
	Tue 10	Swindon Town	H	19:45	JPTA1															
	Sat 14	Accrington Stanley	A	15:00	L2															
	Sat 21	Northampton Town	A	15:00	L2															
	Sat 28	Crewe Alexandra	H	15:00	L2															
Feb	Sat 4	Oxford United	A	15:00	L2															
	Tue 7	Swindon Town	A	19:45	JPTA2															
	Sat 11	Swindon Town	H	15:00	L2															
	Tue 14	Plymouth Argyle	A	19:45	L2															
	Sat 18	Shrewsbury Town	H	15:00	L2															
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	Sat 14	Hereford United	H	15:00	L2															
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	Sat 28	AFC Wimbledon	H	15:00	L2															
May	Sat 5	Burton Albion	A	15:00	L2															



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Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Crawley Town	24	10	1	2	29	11	5	4	2	18	18	18	50
2 Southend	24	7	4	2	21	9	8	0	3	24	15	21	45
3 Cheltenham	24	8	2	2	17	6	7	2	3	20	15	16	45
4 Swindon	24	8	2	1	25	7	5	2	6	13	12	19	43
5 Shrewsbury	24	8	3	0	18	6	4	3	6	17	18	11	42
6 Gillingham	24	7	3	1	19	8	5	2	6	22	21	12	41
7 Oxford Utd	25	5	5	1	21	11	6	3	5	15	13	12	41
8 Burton Albion	25	6	4	3	16	15	5	3	4	22	23	0	40
9 Accrington Stanley	25	7	1	4	20	13	3	8	2	14	13	8	35
10 Torquay	24	6	5	2	25	17	4	3	4	11	13	6	38
11 Rotherham	24	6	2	3	17	11	4	5	4	24	25	5	37
12 Morecambe	25	3	4	6	22	19	6	4	2	18	11	10	35
13 Port Vale	25	5	2	5	23	19	5	3	5	19	18	5	35
14 Crewe	25	4	2	6	15	18	6	1	6	17	19	-5	33
15 Macciesfield	24	5	6	2	15	8	3	0	8	8	18	-3	30
16 Aldershot	24	4	2	6	10	12	4	1	7	14	20	-8	27
17 AFC Wimbledon	24	3	3	7	19	29	4	2	5	11	17	-16	26
18 Bradford	24	5	2	5	20	16	1	5	6	8	17	-5	25
19 Bristol Rovers	24	4	2	7	17	23	2	3	6	13	24	-17	21
20 Barnet	24	4	3	5	17	22	2	2	8	11	23	-17	21
21 Hereford	24	3	2	8	12	26	2	5	4	11	13	-16	22
22 Dag & Red	24	4	1	8	17	23	2	2	7	8	18	-16	21
23 Northampton	25	1	4	7	12	24	4	2	7	18	25	-19	21
24 Plymouth	25	2	3	6	12	17	2	3	9	14	30	-21	

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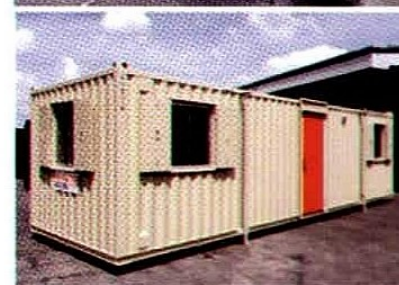
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JPT Area Finals - 1st Leg
Barnet v Swindon Town - 10 January
Chesterfield v Oldham Athletic - 17 January

JPT Area Finals - 2nd Leg
Swindon Town v Barnet - 7 February
Oldham Athletic v Chesterfield - 30 January
NB Should Swindon Town be involved in an FA Cup 4th Round Replay, this will take precedence and the JPT Area Final will revert to week commencing 20th February - exact date TBC.

TONIGHT'S LEAGUE 2 FIXTURE
Hereford United v Bristol Rovers



Team	P	GD	PTS
1 Crawley Town	24	18	50
2 Southend	24	21	49
3 Cheltenham	24	16	49
4 Swindon	24	19	43
5 Shrewsbury	24	11	42
6 Gillingham	24	12	41
7 Oxford Utd	25	12	41
8 Burton Albion	25	0	40
9 Accrington	25	8	39
10 Torquay	24	6	38
11 Rotherham	24	5	37
12 Morecambe	25	10	35
13 Port Vale	25	5	35
14 Crewe	25	-5	33
15 Macclesfield	24	-3	30
16 Aldershot	24	-8	27
17 AFC Wimbledon	24	-16	26
18 Bradford	24	-5	25
19 Bristol Rovers	24	-17	23
20 Barnet	24	-17	23
21 Hereford	24	-16	22
22 Dag & Red	24	-16	21
23 Northampton	25	-19	21
24 Plymouth	25	-21	18

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