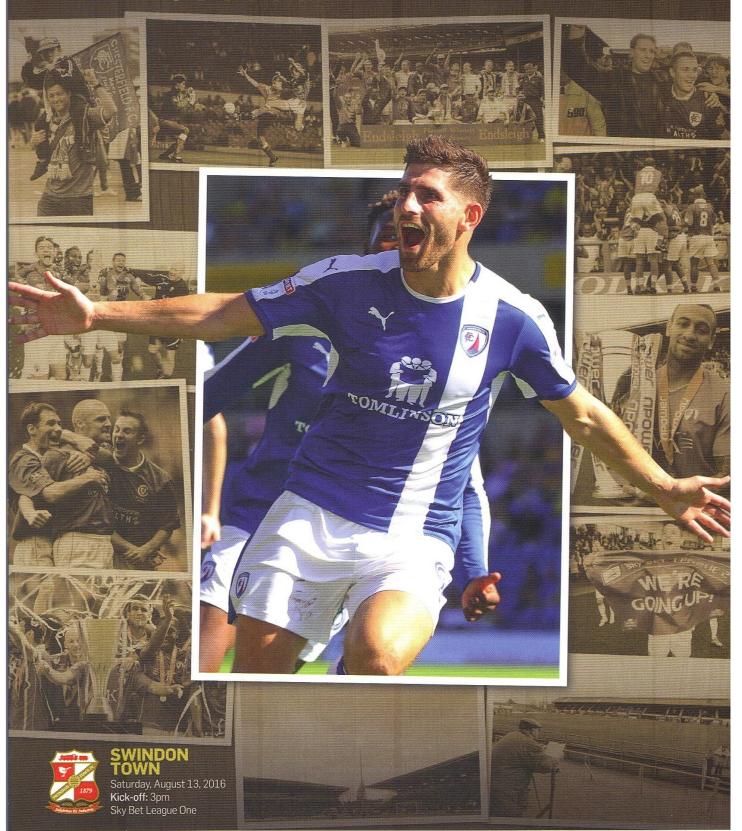
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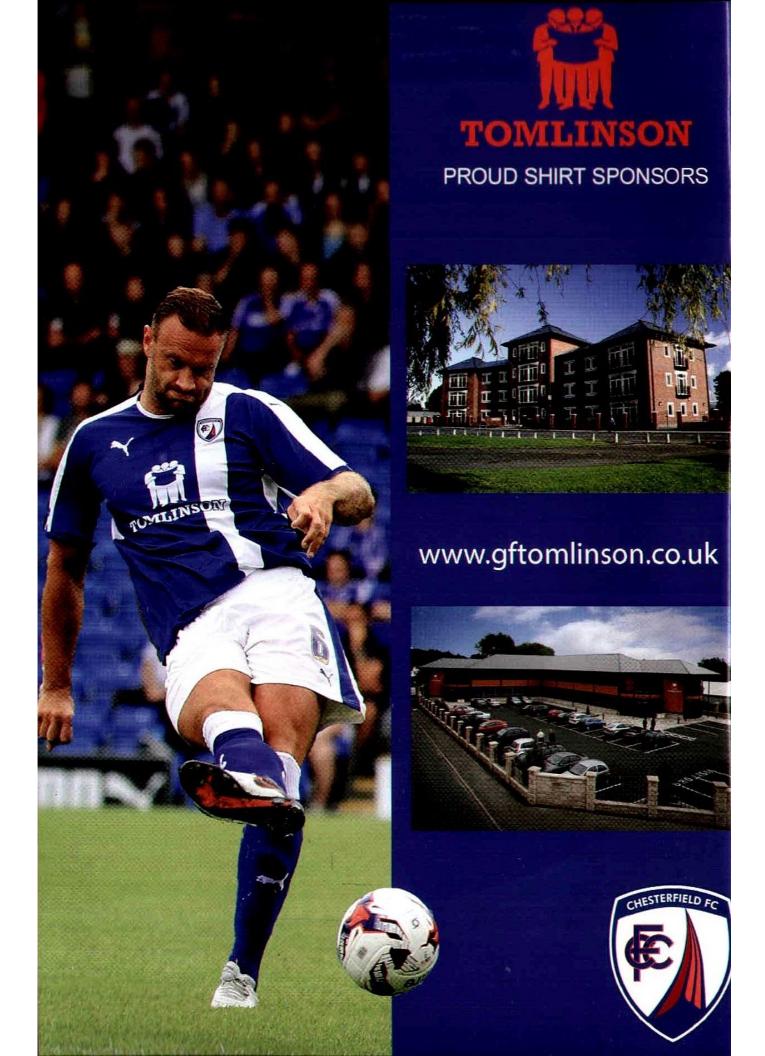
















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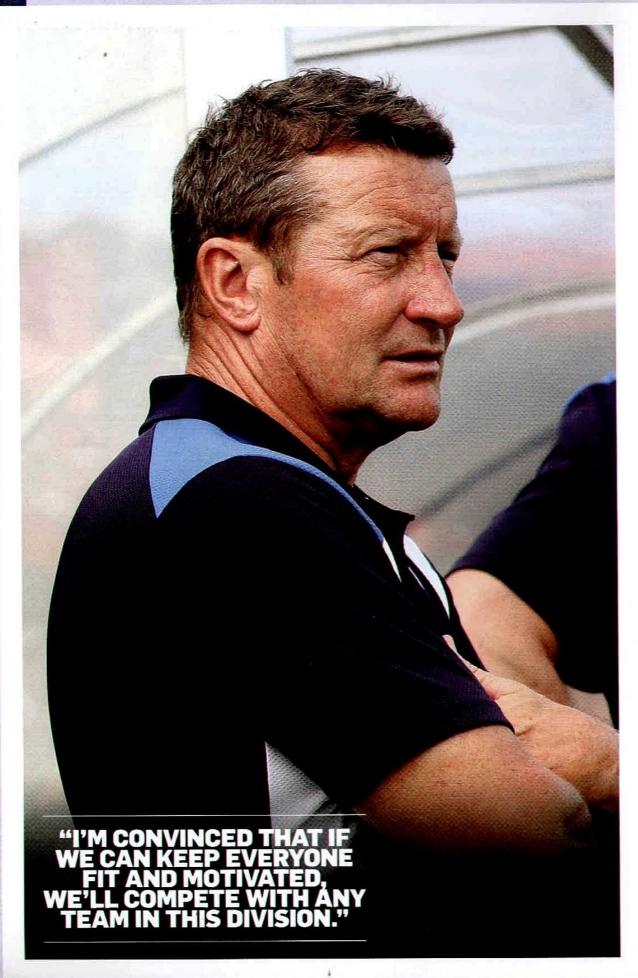


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DANNY WILSON FROM THE DUGOUT

I'D LIKE TO WELCOME EVERYONE TO THE PROACT FOR OUR OPENING HOME FIXTURE OF THE SEASON. **WELCOME TO SWINDON TOWN HEAD COACH LUKE WILLIAMS, TOGETHER WITH HIS PLAYERS, STAFF AND CLUB OFFICIALS.**

We face a Swindon Town side who will provide us with a tough test and it is up to us to make sure we are ready to face the challenge.

I thought that it was a terrific point in our opening game of the season at Oxford. It was disappointing, to a certain degree, that we failed to push on and get a winner, but we can't get too disappointed that that didn't happen.

We stayed in the game at 1-0 down and had great belief. In the second half, I felt that we totally took control of the game. Overall, the performance was very good and that's something we can build on.

In Tuesday night's EFL Cup tie at Rochdale, I thought the first 45 was good, we showed a lot of promise and in that period we attacked very well. We passed the ball very well, we were very secure at the back and we ended up with a fantastic goal from Paul (McGinn).

We could have added to it as well, as we had a couple of other chances, so really the first half was promising.

It was down to us to replicate that in the second half, start well and put some anxiety into Rochdale - but we gave away a goal within minutes of the re-start. It was a sloppy goal to give



ABOVE:

The Spireites showed great belief to stay in the game whilst a goal behind at Oxford last weekend

away and we've got to do better than that.

The second goal was similar. We didn't clear our lines properly and they scored, so really they were two goals that we could have done a lot better with.

After working with the squad from pre-season to today, I'm convinced that if we can keep everyone fit and motivated, we'll

compete with any team in this division.

With the support that you the fans have shown us. everyone at the club will be motivated for what will be a very demanding fixture schedule this season

Thank you for your support.

Danny Wilson



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CHRIS TURNER FROM THE BOARDROOM

I'D LIKE TO FIRST OF ALL WELCOME EVERYONE BACK TO THE PROACT FOR THE 2016/17 SEASON. THIS IS GOING TO BE OUR SEVENTH SEASON HERE - HOW TIME FLIES!



Welcome to everyone from Swindon Town - I hope you enjoy your day with us, but not too much...

I do hope it has been an enjoyable summer for you. It doesn't seem five minutes since our final game of the season at Bradford City.

Over the summer, there have been several changes, most notably on the playing side, I am sure we all wish our new players every success with us. I would like to thank those players who have moved on for their services and wish them well for the future.

In the coming weeks, we will take part in the revamped Football League Trophy, which is now named the Checkatrade Trophy and includes U21 teams from Premiership clubs and the Championship.

ABOVE:

Today is the first home game in what is now the seventh season at the Proact Stadium - how time flies!

To set the record straight, I voted against the inclusion of these teams on behalf of the club because the competition is about lower-league players and supporters having the chance to go to Wembley.

This new season also brings new laws into play and the new refereeing initiative of restoring respect and discipline towards the match officials. The game of football needs to follow the discipline standards shown by the international Rugby Union players.

My only concern over this is whether the referees in all the leagues show consistency with regard to implementing the new rules.

We have a long season in front of us and there will be highs and lows along the way. If we look back at last season. it is remarkable to think that Barnsley suffered ten straight defeats and are now playing Championship football.

Football is, indeed, a funny old game.

Chris Turner **Chief Executive**



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GARY LIDDLE CAPTAIN'S COMMENTS



IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK AT THE PROACT FOR OUR FIRST HOME GAME OF THE SEASON. I HOPE EVERYONE HAS HAD A GOOD SUMMER.

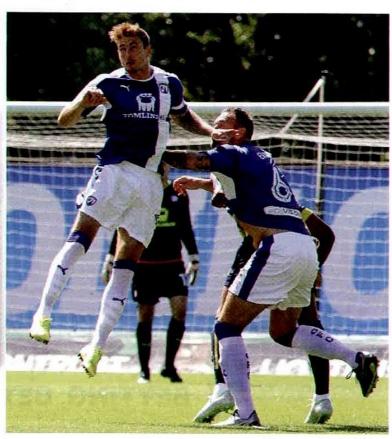
We started with a draw at Oxford United last weekend and I think it's important not to lose in the first game of the season. You always want to get the first point on the board as quickly as possible.



There were times when Oxford had spells of possession and created chances, but we knew we had another gear because we have a very fit squad and we were able to take control of the game.

Ched scored with a rocket of a free kick and we had other chances to score as well, which was very encouraging.

Ryan Fulton apologised for the goal we conceded, but he didn't need to do that because there will be plenty of times this season when he keeps us in games and saves us some points. Ryan has been terrific since he's been



ABOVE:

Gary wins his aerial hattle at Oxford

INSET:

Spireites celebrate the late leveller in the weekend's opening League One fixture

here and he's only a young lad so he'll learn from any mistakes he does make.

I'd like to thank the fans who made the trip down to Oxford. It's a journey lasting over two hours from Chesterfield and I understand there were some traffic delays before the game, but they didn't let that spoil their day. They were singing very loudly throughout the game, which was terrific.

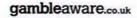
Hopefully we can get our home campaign off to a good start this afternoon.

Enjoy the game.

Gary Liddle











TOMMY LEE THE GLOVES ARE OFF



TOMMY LEE, WHO IS STUDYING SPORTS JOURNALISM AT STAFFORDSHIRE UNIVERSITY, PENS HIS FIRST **COLUMN FOR THE MATCHDAY PROGRAMME...**

There is nothing quite like sitting on a stationary bike, arm in a sling, dosed up on prescription painkillers, to put in mind just how fickle professional football can be.

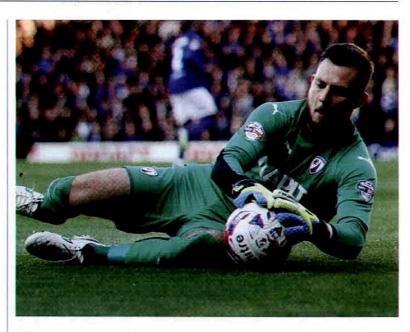
Rewind three months and I'm as fit as a fiddle, lining up for my 137th consecutive league start in what proved to be last season's defining game against Bury.

An innocuous collision in the last few minutes of that game followed by a painful few weeks of conservative rehabilitation (not to mention sleepless nights) and a session under the surgeon's knife later and here we are.

In context of the notoriously short professional career, any injury that requires surgery and months, rather than weeks, in the treatment room is difficult to take and does provoke a whole host of those negative emotions that we all feel from time to time.

Initially there is self pity: "Why me?" Then fear and anxiety creep in. "What If I don't recover?" This is compounded with an overriding sense of uselessness and jealousy. Seeing the lads out on the grass every day, preparing for the start of the season, while you wander around the gym like a spare part, is tough.

But if there is one thing that I have learned in my 12 years as a professional footballer it's that having a sense of perspective is key to a successful career and a sane mind. That's perhaps even more important



ABOVE: Tommy gathers the ball whilst in goal for the Spireites

against the backdrop of the world we now live in.

Up until now I've played a lot of games in my career - the vast majority for Chesterfield - and for that I'm extremely grateful. Nobody enjoys being injured, certainly not me, but these sabbaticals, while still galling, should be used as an opportunity. An opportunity to learn and return stronger, fitter and better than before and that's my aim.

Football is fickle and a career in it can be fleeting but it's exactly that fragility which drives me and I'm sure many others to squeeze every last drop of potential out of ourselves and to make the most of every second we are lucky enough to be out on that field.

In what is a momentous year for this football club I'm looking forward to supporting the lads from the sidelines and working my way back to fitness and back out on to that

Until then, I'll be in the gym... on the bike.



TICKET OFFICE OPENING TIMES

With an increasing number of fans purchasing match tickets online, new opening hours at the Proact ticket office have been announced. The ticket office will now be open at the following times:

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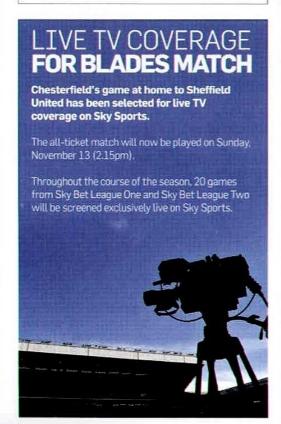
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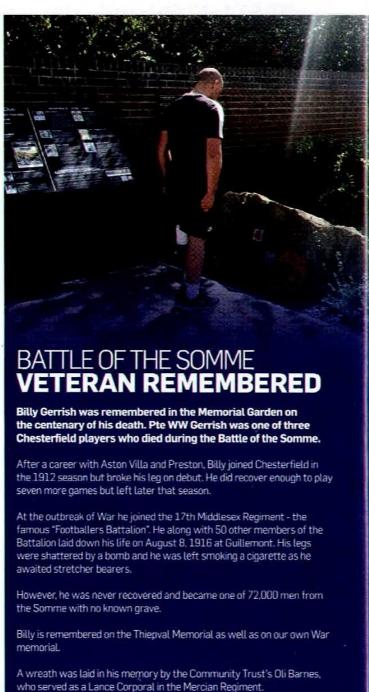
Friday: 9am to 5pm * (when there is a home match

the following day: 9am to 6pm)

Saturday: 9am to 3.15pm (when there is a home

match)







CHERNOBYL CHILDREN VISIT THE PROACT

A group of children from Belarus who were affected by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster visited the Proact recently and were given a special guided tour.

The Chernobyl tragedy happened 30 years ago in northern Ukraine. As a result, thousands of children in Belarus, which received 70% of the explosion's radioactive fall-out, are born every year with, or go on to develop, diseases such as thyroid cancer, tione cancer and leukaemia.

As part of their trip to the UK, the group visited the Crooked Spire in town and the

Proact, where they met Spireites player Tommy Lee, who spoke to the children and posed for photos.

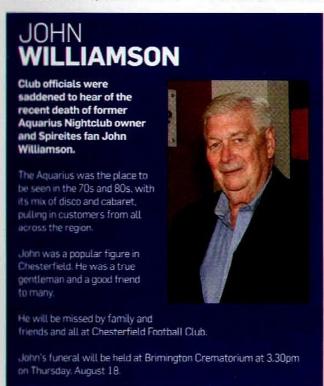
The Community Trust's Pete Whiteley said: "The actual organisation has been bringing children over for 20 years or so now, but it's only since we've been at the Proact that they've also been coming to see us.

"This is the sixth time they've been along and we think it's fantastic that we can support these youngsters in this way because the area where they come from in Belarus has never recovered from the



disaster 30 years ago.

"The Trust support them by bringing them here for a day, along with our partners from the Co-op, who make it possible. It's a wonderful thing we can do for these youngsters."







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WASPI NEED YOUR HELP

Women against State Pension Inequality (WASPI) will be at the ground today. They are campaigning for fair transitional arrangements for women born in the 1950s who have been affected by the changes to their state pension age.

Some women have had their state pension age increased twice, meaning that they will lose out on pension income of over £35,000! Some men are affected too - the pension age. for women initially increased from 60 to 65.

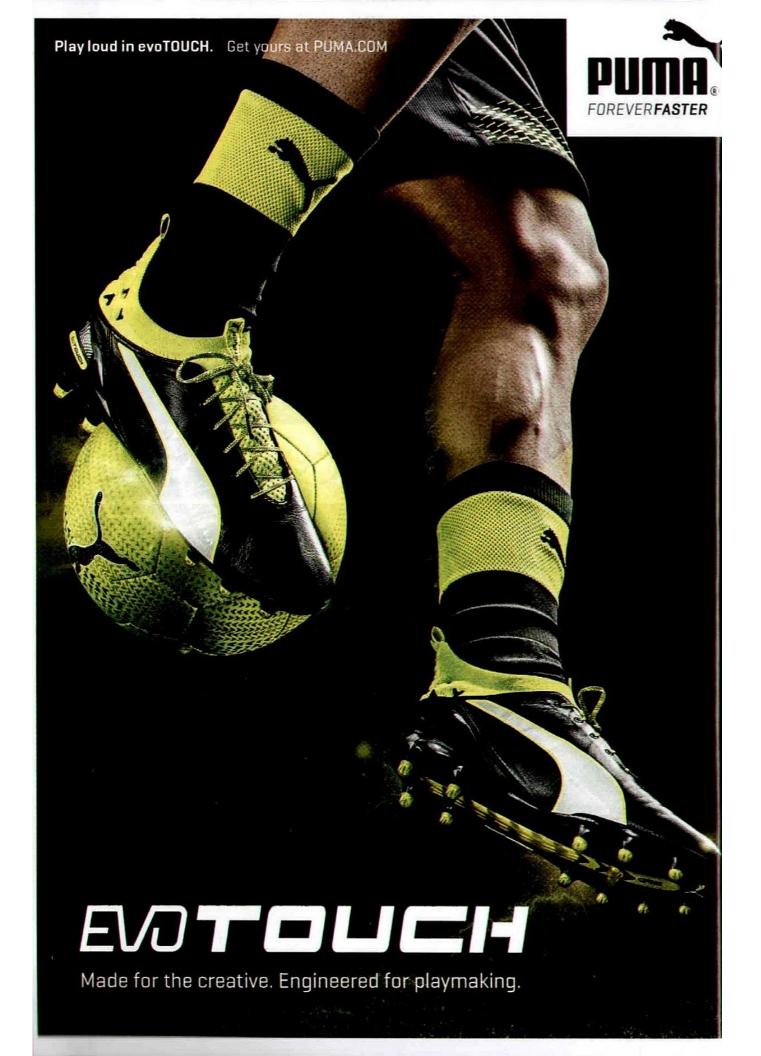
A spokesperson for the group said: "Further increases have been made to the state pension age for men

and women. We are not asking for anything that we haven't earned and paid into. The Department of Work and Pensions gave us insufficient notice of the changes. Many of us were not notified, and those that were didn't receive a letter from the DWP until 2012 - just a couple of years before the expected retirement date.

"We are asking for your support. Sign our petition on behalf of all those who paid NI in good faith, expecting their pension at 60 - and after paying in for 40+ years, were told we wouldn't get our pension until much later."

*Members of WASPI are pictured with Chesterfield MP Toby Perkins.







ON THIS DAY **AUGUST 13**

All four Football League games that Chesterfield have played on August 13 have been at home, and have resulted in three defeats and a solitary draw. Among those games is a 2002 4-2 reverse to today's opponents, Swindon Town, while the only point we've won on this day came in 2011, courtesy of a late Jack Lester equaliser, slotted in through the windows of Stevenage's parked bus. We have won once on this day - a 4-2 win over Barnsley in the 1977 Football League Cup.

Billy Dearden made his Chesterfield debut in that Barnsley win and became the first of only two Chester field players to score from the penalty spot on his debut. Alan Birch being the other. Four players made debuts on this day in 1994, in a dreary 1-0 defeat at home to Scarborough that gave no indication of the dramas to come as the season progressed. Mike Cheetham, Darren Roberts and Wayne Fairclough played no active part in that season's play-off triumph, but Chris Perkins appeared in all three post-season games and enjoyed a Chesterfield career that ran to 186 league games over two spells at the club.

Terrell Lewis, born on this day in 1988, enjoyed a first-team career of fully two minutes' duration, being called into action after 88 minutes of the game against Darlington in November,

This day in 1961 saw Chesterfield play their last recorded public practice match. Since football's inception, these pre-season games were played between two sides of players from the same club and had traditionally given supporters their first look at new players.



ABOVE:

Chris Perkins, who made 186 league appearances for Chesterfield

BELOW:

Billy Dearden made his Spireites debut in a win over Barnsley, 39 years ago today.

In the early days, the club's married players might team up against its single ones, or two leading club members might pick their own sides for the contest. As the game developed, the teams were usually split along first-team and reserve lines, with the gate receipts going to local charities. Preseason friendlies did not become a replacement for

public practice games until after 1961, when the FA abolished a rule that forbade different clubs from playing each other more than a fortnight before the official start of the season.

Pre-season friendlies have, of course, been played on this

> day. A gang of us arriving at Droylsden for a friendly with Chesterfield on August 13, 1988 saw the match billed as the Kevin Randall Memorial Trophy. "I'm shocked," said one of our number: "I didn't even know he'd died!" Happily, Kev hadn't, of course, but the clumsy billing of a game between two of Randall's

former clubs caused some amusement that day. A Chesterfield first team managed to scrape to a 3-2 win, giving some indication of the struggle that would follow, that term.

Pre-season games are all the more interesting for the triallists that pop up for a game or two, and are never heard of again. Our friendly at Gainsborough on this day in 1998 featured several such players. Forward Mark MacRow had. unusually, returned for a second successive set of pre-season trials before joining Alfreton Town; the former Wimbledon and Sheffield United defender Kevin Gage made his last pre-season appearance before jumping ship to Hull City and the line-up even included the exotic (and possibly) Scandinavian triallist Thomas Johansen, about whom nothing could be discovered.

Elsewhere in football. this day in 1887 saw Preston North End travel to Edinburgh to take on the Hibernians in a match billed as the 'World Championship decider' by both clubs' respective football associations. Hibs won 2-1. August 13, 2003 saw the Portuguese footballer Ronaldo become the game's most expensive teenager when joining Manchester United from Sporting Lisbon for £12.24 million.









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FORM GUIDE SWINDON TOWN

PHIL TOOLEY TAKES A LOOK AT TODAY'S OPPONENTS. SWINDON TOWN...

The Robins got off to a great start last Saturday, beating Coventry City by a single goal and, on Wednesday night in 120 tough minutes, they twice came from behind to earn a 2-2 (1-1 after 90 minutes) EFL Cup draw at OPR; Jordan Stewart and James Brophy both scored their first ever senior goals to earn a penalty shoot-out but the Championship side prevailed, winning 4-2 from 12 yards with Anton Rodgers and Bradley Barry seeing their efforts saved.

Pre-suppon brought about some mixed results with a big win against local nonleaguers Swindon Supermarine (6-0) which was followed up by a couple of wins in Iroland against Shelbourne (1-0) and UCD (5-1). Back in England, defeats by Woking and Youvil sandwiched a home loss against Premier Leaguers Swansea, but those three losses became irrelevant with the fine win over Coventry.

One of the features of Swindon's recent seasons has been their successful. use of the loan market and this summer they've re-recruited QPR's Michael Doughty, along with newcomer Lloyd Jones, who played against Chesterfield for Blackpool last season whilst borrowed from Liverpool.

Other new signings include Luke Norris (Gillingham), Coner Thomas (Coventry), John Goddard (Woking) plus keeper Laurence Vigouroux from Liverpool after a successful loan spell last season. Departures Include former Spireites loanee and last season's top scorer Nicky Ajose, follow striker Michael Smith and midfielder Fabien Robert whilst Southampton defender Jordan Tumbull returned to his parent club.



DOUGHTY'S DELIGHTED

Swindon Town have signed Michael Doughty on a season-long loan from Queens Park Rangers. The midfielder spent time on loan at the County Ground last season, making 20 appearances and scoring five goals. Speaking to the club's official website, the loanee says that he is looking forward to spending the 2016/17 campaign in Wiltshire.

"I'm delighted," he said. "To now know what I'm going to be doing for the season and the opportunity to work with Luke Williams and Ross Embleton and the boys here was a really good one. I really enjoyed my time here the last five or six months of last season and I'm just looking to hopefully be as successful as I can this season.

Knowing the set up and knowing the quality

of the coaching and the players was a big thing for me. Now I've signed for the season I know where I'm going to be and I can really get my head down and focus. There were a few improvements to the changing room which was a nice surprise and it's great to see everyone here. Part of the reason why I felt like I could produce a good level of performance last season was the environment and the people as well. It's been

quite an easy transition.



AST TIME'S LINE-UP

V QPR (A) 10.08.16

- 1 Vigouroux
- 2 Thompson (14 Iandolo 61)
- 6 Sendles-White
- 33 Norris
- 27 Barry
- 28 Jones
- 4 Thomas
- 5 Rodgers
- 11 Brophy
- 8 Kasim (15 Smith 65)
- 24 Hylton (16 Stewart 65)

Subs (not used):

12 Henry, 10 Goddard, 18 Evans, 35 Young









Coventry (H) League One W 1-0



Yeovil (A) Friendly L 1-2



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Woking (A) Friendly L 1-2



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IN OPPOSITION **SWINDON TOWN**

PAUL JOANNOU CAUGHT UP WITH MATT EDWARDS FROM THE SWINDON ADVERTISER WHO GAVE HIS THOUGHTS ON SWINDON TOWN'S HOPES THIS SEASON AND PICKED OUT THREE KEY PLAYERS.

Edwards said: "Last year was such a rollercoaster season. We started really badly under Mark Cooper and went 11 or 12 games without a win, which was the final nail in his coffin.

When Martin Ling came in it rejuvenated everyone. He did well over the Christmas period and it looked like we were going to have a good end to the campaign but then he was taken ill with depression and replaced by Luke Williams."

Swindon were in 16th place when Williams took over and started brightly under the Englishman with back-to-back wins, but he found his first managerial appointment challenging.

Edwards continued: "Luke Williams was thrown into the deep end with a number of Injuries to contend with. Injuries were a huge part of last season - at one point we had ten players injured white Mark Cooper was in charge.

Swindon ended up finishing 15th in Sky Bet League 1 after Bury were deducted points for fielding an in-eligible player. It was a disappointing season after making the play-offs in 2014/15.

Although they flirted with relegation. Swindon finished comfortably in midtable. Last season's top-goal scorer Nicky Ajose has left for Charlton Athletic but they've been able to bring in the likes of John Goddard and Connor Thomas.

Edwards says he has hopes of a solid figurion, commenting: "Some fans still think that Swindon should be challenging for promotion every season but a lot of fans are getting more realistic.

A top-half finish would be good for Town and a lot depends on the loan players that come in and how well they settle.

"We've relied quite heavily on loan players in the last couple of seasons and It could go from one end of the spectrum to the other but I reckon we can finish tenth or 11th."

KEY TRIO



JOHN GODDARD MIDFIELDER

Talking about their summer signing from Woking, Matt Edwards said: "He has really impressed in the first few pre-season friendlies, particularly against Reading where he scored. Goddard is an attacking midfielder who plays in the no.10 role and looks really promising. He's great with the ball at his feet, finding that pass to the strikers and he's not afraid to shoot."

Goddard scored 17 goals last season for Woking in the National League as the Cardinals finished 12th. The 23-year-old began his career at Reading before joining Hayes & Yeading and after impressing there he secured a move to Woking in 2013.



JONATHAN OBIKA

Edwards said: "Obika is really good at setting up play and linking up with another striker. He linked up well with Nicky Ajose last year but now Ajose has left for Charlton it looks like he'll be leading the line by himself. He has played that role but it's different to what he's usually had at

"He holds the ball up really well and he scored 12 goals last season despite having trouble with an ankle injury. The 25-year-old missed a couple of pre-season games with fatigue after a tour of Ireland. He's built really well and his legs are huge so he can be prone to muscle injuries."

Obika is a product of Tottenham Hotspur's academy. He spent eight years at Tottenham but only played four senior games for the club. His 11 loan spells included four at Yeovil Town and one with the Robins in 2011 before eventually joining Swindon permanently in 2014.



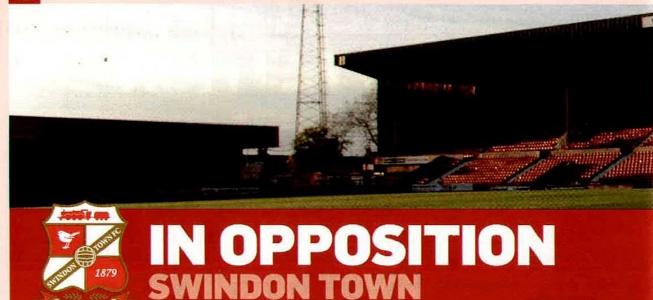
NATHAN THOMPSON

The club captain has twice won the Player of the Year award at Swindon, in 2013 and 2014. Edwards said: "Thompson has been at Swindon for six years now and he's a pretty solid defender with a lot of experience at this level. He is very versatile, usually playing at right-back, but last season he played a lot of games at centre-back in a back three.

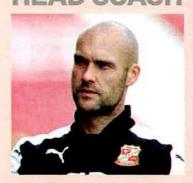
"Although sometimes he does get caught out for pace, he's very matchwise, knows when to get rid of the ball and his positioning is quite good so he can draw a foul quite easily as well."

Thompson came through the youth ranks at the County Ground and made his professional debut in October 2010 in a Johnstone's Paint Trophy game against Torquay. He's gone on to make over 150 appearances for





HEAD COACH



LUKE WILLIAMS

Williams began his career working with The FA as a skills coach before getting a job at Levton Orient and subsequently West Ham.

The 35-year-old then spent three seasons at Brighton and Hove Albion where he was in charge of the U21s and was a coach with the reserve team, before joining Swindon ahead of the 2013/14 campaign.

Williams was instrumental in bringing both Yaser Kasim and Raphael Rossi Branco with him from Brighton, both of whom have become first-team regulars at the County Ground.

He was assistant-manager to Mark Cooper as the side finished in the playoff places in 2015. The Robins were beaten in the final.

Williams then continued as assistant under both Lee Power and Martin Ling before taking the reins himself, initially in a caretaker capacity, when Ling resigned. He went on to win six out of ten matches, earning a full-time contract in the process.

LAWRENCE VIGOUROUX

After spending the 2015/16 season on loan at the County Ground from Liverpool, Vigouroux made his switch permanent in 2016. The towering goalkeeper made 33 appearances for Swindon last season. Previously at Tottenham, he is a former Chile youth international.

WILL HENRY

Formerly with Bristol City as a youngster. the goalkeeper spent a scholarship year with Swindon Town in 2015/16 before being drafted into the first team after injuries to three senior stoppers at the end of last term. Saved a penalty on his debut at Rochdale.

DEFENCE

NATHAN THOMPSON

A product of the Town academy, Thomas made his breakthrough into the first team during the 2012/13 season. After establishing himself as one of the first names on the team sheet, the two-time Play of the Year winner is the current captain of Swindon Town.

BRANDON ORMONDE-OTTEWILL

Ormonde-Ottewill has been at the County Ground since 2015, making 28 appearances and scoring one goal. The left-back, nicknamed 'BOO', is a product of the Arsenal academy and has represented his country at U16 and U19 level.





JAMIE SENDLES-WHITE

Sendles-White, who plays as a centre-half, joined Swindon in February 2016. The 22-year-old has previously played for QPR. Colchester, Mansfield and Hamilton, as well as representing Northern Ireland at U19 and U21 level.

RAPHAEL ROSSI-BRANCO

Rapha Branco, as he's more familiarly known, is a Brazilian-born centre-half who joined Swindon Town in 2013 from non-league side Whitehawk. The former Corinthians man has been a regular in Town's defensive unit over the past two years and was part of the squad beaten in the 2015 League One Play-off final.

BRADLEY BARRY

The former Brighton defender - nephew of Everton and England midfielder, Gareth - put pen to paper on a deal in August 2015 following a successful trial period. An impressive breakthrough season in senior football saw the youngster make the right-back/right wing-back position his own with a string of solid performances. Was voted Players' Player of the Season at the end of the 2015/16 campaign.

JAMES BROPHY

Brophy signed a one-year deal following a successful trial period in 2015 before agreeing an extension at the conclusion of the 2015/16 campaign. The left-sided defender - who can also operate as





il Wing-back and in a more advanced position - joined Swindon from non-league football where he was plying his trade with Edoware Town.

MIDFIELD

VASER KASIM

Kasim is a holding midfielder, who has been capped 17 times by Iraq. He joined Mwindon after a successful trial in 2013. He has spent time on loan at Luton Town and Macclesfield Town.

ANTON RODGERS

The son of Celtic manager Brendan Rodgers, he has been at the club since 2014. Rodgers is a graduate of Brighton & Hove Albion and has also played for Exeter City and Oldham Athletic after starting at Chelsea.

Thomas made over 100 appearance for the Sky Blues but found first team opportunities limited under Tony Mowbray and was released at the end of last season.

JOHN GODDARD

Goddard joined Swindon from National League side Woking this summer after scoring 20 goals during the 2015/16 campaign. The attacking midfielder likes to play in the hole behind the striker.

TOM SMITH

Another highly-rated youngster who signed his first professional contract in the summer after coming through the academy system. Made his Swindon debut in 2015 at Preston North End before making a further two substitute. appearances last term. Scored his first senior goal at Crewe Alexandra, rifling home a thunderbolt from the edge of the 18-yard box.

JAKE EVANS

Evans put pen to paper on his first senior contract in April at the conclusion of his scholarship. The versatile youngster, who has been with Swindon since the age of ten, made his debut in red and white on the final day of the 2015/16 campaign against Shrewsbury Town.

FORWARDS

JERMAINE HYLTON

The pacy striker penned a two-and-a-half year contract with Swindon in the January 2015 transfer window. joining from non-league side. Redditch United. Formerly with Birmingham City and Kidderminster Harriers before

breaking into the Redditch side, Hylton made his Town bow as a substitute in the televised win at Coventry City and netted his first



goal against Peterborough United. With injury hampering his progress last term, Jermaine will be hoping to play his part over the course of 2016/17

JONATHAN OBIKA

After a brief spell on loan at The County Ground in 2011, Obika returned to Wiltshire on a permanent deal, having signed on deadline day 2014 from Tottenham Hotspur. The frontman netted twice on his debut at Bradford and went on to score in his first four games. equaling a record set by Swindon's all-time record goalscorer. Harry Morris, in 1926.



JORDAN STEWART

The tricky forward signed for Swindon from Northern Ireland Premiership side Glentoran. Stewart has represented Northern Ireland at U19 level and has been part of the U21 squad. Made his debut at Millwall in October 2015 and spent a portion of last term on loan at Grimsby Town.

ELLIS IANDOLO

Landolo is a teenage attacking midfielder who joined the club in 2015 from Maidstone United following a successful trial. Released by Gillingham as a youngster, he then joined the Soccer Elite FA Academy, He mode a dozen appearances in red and white last term.

CONOR THOMAS

Swindon during the Coventry City.

He made his debut in 2011 as a 17-year-old. He also spent time on loan at Liverpool, playing for their youth team in 2011.





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IN NUMBERS

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Trophies won by Swindon Town in major competition, including second tier title (now Championship) and League Cup,

47

Games played between the Robins and Chesterfield (16 wins for the Spireites/24 defeats/ seven draws).

1-0

Score by which Swindon beat Chesterfield at the County Ground the last time the two clubs met, on April 23, 2016.

15th

Position Swindon finished in League One last season with 59 points.

1879 Club's year of formation.



15,728

Current capacity at the County Ground.

32,000

Highest attendance at the County Ground, versus Arsenal, FA Cup third round, January 15, 1972.

7,409

Average home attendance during the 2015/16 season.





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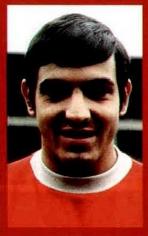
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THE **FAB FOUR**



MIKE SUMMERBEE

Brilliant winger Mike Summerbee was capped eight times by England after leaving Swindon Town. Initially with Cheltenham Town, he moved to the County Ground in March 1960 and was an important figure in Swindon's 1962/63 promotion success. He netted 39 goals in 218 league games prior to joining Manchester City in August 1965, amassing a vast collection of domestic and European honours under the Joe Mercer/Malcolm Allison partnership at Maine Road. Later playing for Burnley, Blackpool and Stockport County, he is a successful businessman and his son Nicky also starred for Swindon Town.



DON ROGERS

England U-23 international winger Don Rogers scored twice in Swindon Town's 1969 League Cup final success. Signing professional at the County Ground in October 1962. he featured in Swindon's 1962/63 promotion campaign and was everpresent in four successive seasons. He starred as Swindon won promotion again in 1968/69 and the Anglo-Italian Cup in 1970, reuniting with Bert Head at Crystal Palace in November 1972. Moving to QPR in September 1974, he rejoined Swindon in March 1976 and netted 148 goals in 412 league games overall for the Robins. He has since run his own sports shop in Swindon.



JOHN TROLLOPE

Long-serving leftback John Trollope holds Swindon Town's appearance record. Signing professional at the County Ground in July 1960, he made his League debut in Swindon's 1-1 draw at home to Halifax a month later and was ever-present in seven consecutive seasons including the 1962/63 promotion success. He featured in Swindon's 1968/69 promotion and League Cup 'double' campaign as well. as their 1970 Anglo-Italian Cup final triumph. Scoring 21 goals in 770 league games, he was their coach. then manager between November 1980 and March 1983. Later Swindon's youth team boss, he was awarded the MBE.



COLIN CALDERWOOD

Commanding central defender Colin Calderwood was capped 36 times by Scotland after leaving Swindon Town. Initially with Mansfield Town, he moved to the County Ground in July 1985 and starred as Swindon won the Fourth Division title in 1985/86. He also helped the Robins to win promotion in 1986/87, then featured in two further play-off finals including their 1993 Wembley triumph. Scoring 20 times in 330 league games, he moved to Spurs in July 1993 and later appeared for Aston Villa and Nottingham Forest. He managed Northampton Town, Forest and Hibernian before assisting Chris Hughton at various clubs.



MANAGING TO SUCCEED



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.

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.



CLASSIC CAMPAIGNS

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 Downsborough, Rod Thomas, John Trollope, Joe Butler, Frank Burrows, Stan Harland, Don Heath, Roger Smart, John Smith (Willie Penman), Peter Noble, Don Rogers.

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.

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 linel.

1995/96

Swindon Town stormed to the Second Division title under player-boss Steve McMahon in 1995/96. They had plummeted from the top-flight 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.





MEMORY MATCHES

by RICHARD RUTHERFORD

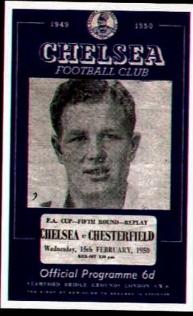
Last season I looked at programmes from my collection, against current Chesterfield opposition. This season I am moving on to look at home and away games against opposition the Spireites no longer play. This will include teams from higher levels and also teams that are no longer in the Football League.

Today looks at the programme from a famous game in the Spireites' past. the FA Cup fifth round replay with Chelsea, at Stamford Bridge, which took place on Wednesday, February 15, 1950, with a 2.30pm kick-off (no floodlights then).

On the previous Saturday at Saltergate, the two teams had drawn 1-1. Chelsea took the lead after 32 minutes with a goal by Jimmy Bowie, with the Spireites levelling through Jackie Thompson on 52 minutes. before a crowd of 27,500.

The programme for the replay was a substantial one for the time, costing six old pence. The editorial on page two looks back to the first game at Saltergate, when over 3,000 Chelsea supporters attended. Conditions had been adverse with a gale force wind blowing.

A detailed match report follows with action photographs of the third and fourth round victories over Brentford and Newcastle United, respectively. Chesterfield had beaten non-league Yeovil and Middlesbrough in previous rounds. The winners of this tie



ABOVE:

Chelsea

BELOW:

The programme

The Spireites team photo, 1949/50

cover versus

would face Portsmouth or Manchester United in the quarter-final.

The centre pages contained a team photo of Chesterfield. plus the team line-ups in the usual 2-3-5 formation. The next two pages consisted of full-page photographs of Chelsea's Bobby Campbell and Hugh Billington.

The final two pages had and results. Chelsea were lying in 11th place Football Combination and in the Eastern Counties League along with such teams as Lowestoft, Kings Lynn Town, Clacton Town and Chelmsford City.

The match itself was won 3-0 by Chelsea, all the goals coming in the first half from Roy Bentley with a brace and Hugh Billington. The crowd was a huge 59,660.

THE TEAMS

Chelsea: Harry Medhurst, John Harris. Billy Hughes, Danny Winter, Ken Armstrong, Frank Mitchell, Bobby Campbell, Roy Bentley, Hugh Billington, Billy Gray & Jimmy Bowie.

Chesterfield: Ray Middleton, Tommy Capel, Stan Milburn, Robert Southall, Ken Booker, Reg Halton, Matt Costello, Jackie Thompson, Chris Marron, Hugh McJarrow & Gordon Dale.

league tables, fixtures in the First Division, whilst the Spireites occupied 12th place in Division Two. Chelsea also had sides in the





The Spireites went on to finish 14th in the Second Division (winners Tottenham), whilst Chelsea finished 13th in the First Division, the champions being Portsmouth.

We move forward some 46 years to look at the home programme from the second log of the Coca-Cola League Cup first round tie against Stockport County. The match took place on Tuesday, September 3, 1996. Stockport were already 2-1 in front from the first leg.

The Spireites issued a 36-page programme, which didn't indicate that this was a League Cup tie anywhere on the front or back cover. The front cover contains an action photo of Dean Saunders and Shaun Dyche, from a recent game against Nottingham

John Duncan, in his manager's notes, points out the contrasting performances between the Walsall and Bury games. The Spireites had won two and lost one out of their opening three league games.

Ollie Pardo, in his Coca Cola League Cup round up, highlights some of the surprising results of other first round, first leg games, including Rotherham's defeat at Darlington, and Wrexham then of the Second Division, going down 3-0 at home to Huddersfield Town.

There is a detailed section on visitors Stockport County, who at that time were also in Division Two (third tier). Their manager was Dave Jones and well-known players included goalkeeper Paul Jones - just signed for £600,000 - Brett Angel, Andy Mutch and Alan Armstrong. Also in their squad was Jim Gannon, who has recently returned to the club for his third stint as manager.

Spireites skipper Nicky Law, in his column. looks forward to the return of defender Darren Carr after almost a year out with injury. He also welcomes the signing of Steve Gaughan, who has just arrived from Darlington for a fee of £30,000.

The 'Reserve Review by manager Kevin Randall, looks at the recent 4-0 home win over Wigan Athletic, where the goals were scored by Kevin Davies (2). Jamie I omas and Gaughan.

The programme ends with an article by resident referee John O'Brien and Supporters Club notes by Steve Yorke, informing us of a coach going to Millmoor for the upcoming game with Rotherham United. leaving at 6pm for a 7.30 pm kick-off. I hope they didn't have to wait for anyone.

Chesterfield lost the game 2-1 (4-2 on aggregate). Gaughan opened the scoring for the Spireites after 61 minutes, but Stockport came back with goals from Paul Ware (76) and Andy Mutch (84)

This was of course the FA Cup semi-final season when the Spireites finished tenth. Stockport finished runners up and were to gain promotion to the second tier. Recent seasons have seen troubled times and a fall



ABOVE:

The programme cover versus Stockport

BELOW:

Steve Gaughan opened the scoring for the Spireites. despite going on to lose the game

from grace. The Hatters are about to begin their second season in National League North, their first game being at home to Alfreton Town.

THE TEAMS

Chesterfield: Billy Mercer, Nicky Law, Mark Jules, Steve Gaughan, Mark Williams, Sean

> Dyche, Chris Beaumont, Kevin Davies, Tony Lormor, Paul Holland and Jonathan Howard

Subs: Chris Perkins, Andy Morris and Jamie Hewitt.

Stockport County: Paul Jones, Paul Ware, Sean Connelly, Damon Searle, Mike Flynn, Jim Gannon, Tom Bennett, Alun Armstrong, Andy Mutch. John Jeffers and Luis Cavaco.

Subs: Lee Todd, Brett Angel. Tony Dinning

Attendance: 3,334





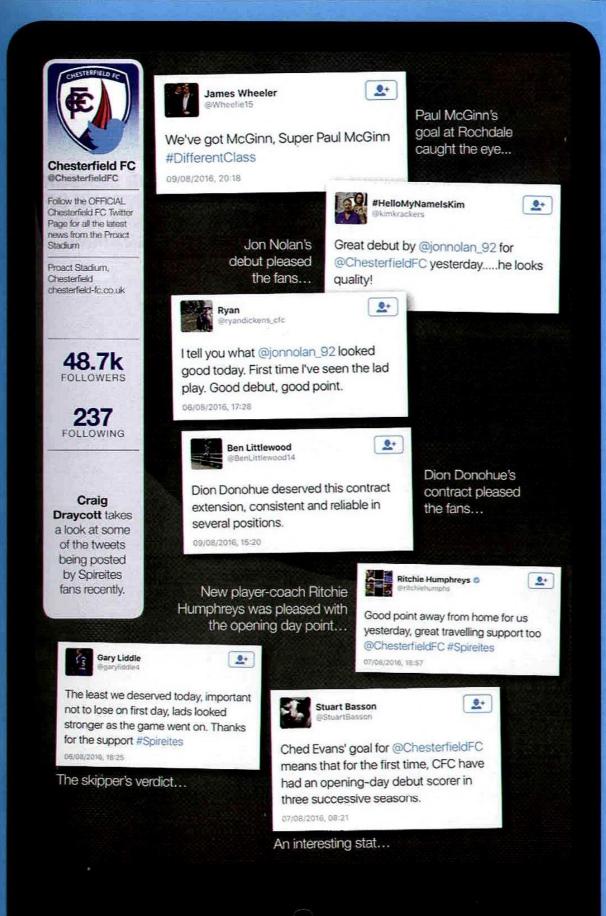
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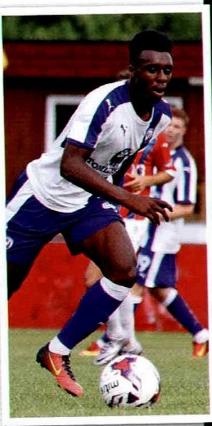


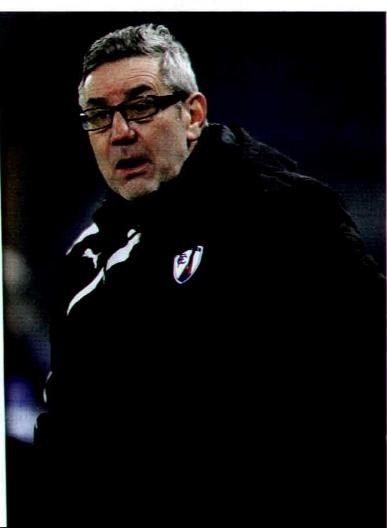
ENCOURAGING FOR YOUNGSTERS

THE ACADEMY

AS WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE START OF OUR SEASON, IT HAS BEEN ENCOURAGING FOR OUR NEW INTAKE OF PLAYERS TO SEE SO MANY ACADEMY YOUNGSTERS INVOLVED DURING THE PRE-SEASON PROGRAMME.

We have got at least six or seven players who have been around the first team and the coaches are starting to take a look at the youngsters in the academy and think, 'Yeah, I like the look of them'.





Laurence Maguire and Jake Beesley, who both came through our youth setup, are now second-year professionals. Curtis Morrison has made strides and featured for the first team throughout pre-season while Derek Daly set up one of the goals against Leicester City. Ify Ofoegbu, who also featured in that game, is a right-back who arrived

INSET:

Curtis Morrison has featured in pre-season

OPPOSITE:

Ritchie Humphreys provides plenty of feedbok from Huddersfield. He is actually just 16 and only left school two or three months ago.

Ricky German has also been around the first team. He is doing really well in the youth squad and is scoring goals already. The main thing for me is that they are starting to make a bit of an impression in the first team and on the manager.

The link with Ritchie Humphreys, who is now



working at that level, is really good because he is giving me plenty of feedback. He will tell me about how they work when they are in training sessions with the first team and give me general feedback. At the moment, everything is really quite positive.

We have unfortunately lost a few coaches over the summer, but as a football team you expect that. We have got to get around that and replace them with equally good coaches, who have the right qualifications.



It is difficult because you need to meet a certain criteria. They have got to be UEFA 'B' qualified, for a start, which in itself is difficult. Then there is the challenge of having Derby County and Nottingham Forest on one side of the club geographically and Sheffield United and Sheffield Wednesday on the other.

All four of the academies at the above clubs are Category 1 or Category 2 and unfortunately, on occasions, you lose coaches to them. In a way this is a testament to the high standards that we set, but it poses a problem for us because we have got to try and replace them, which is what we are in the process of doing at the moment.

Mark Smith Academy Manager

AUGUST Hartlepool United 2-1 Rowley, Tipping Sat 13 Mansfield Town Sat 20 Rotherham United YA Fri 26 Notts County YA **SEPTEMBER** Sat 3 Bradford City Sat 10 Wrexham Sat 17 Notts County YA. Fri 30 Scunthorpe United YA H OCTOBER Oldham Athletic Sat 8 Fri 14 Lincoln City Sat 22 Port Vale YA Sat 29 Grimsby Town NOVEMBER Sat 5 York City Sat 19 Doncaster Rovers DECEMBER Sat 3 Burton Albion H YA Sat 17 Scunthorpe United **JANUARY** Sat 14 Oldham Athletic Sat 21 Lincoln City YA Sat 28 Grimsby Town H YA **FEBRUARY** Sat 11 York City Sat 18 Doncaster Rovers H YA MARCH Burton Albion Sat 4 Sat 25 Hartlepool United H YA APRIL Mansfield Town Sat 1 **Rotherham United** Sat 8 YA Sat 22 Bradford City YA Sat 29 Notts County H YA



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COBBLERS' KIT CALAMITY

Northampton Town, last season's League Two champions, began the campaign wearing an away kit for a home fixture against Fleetwood Town because their home strip had failed to arrive!



Northampton chairman Kelvin Thomas provided some degree of explanation, saying: "It's hard to put into words, there's been an obvious hit to finance and our reputation as well as the supporters who will be feeling extremely disappointed with the whole situation."

Thomas went on to outline the issue of distribution. "We switched for reliability, which has been non-existent and changes will be made in the future," he said. "We've been let down, that's the simple fact of the matter."

Supporters have been informed that a free T-shirt will come with each purchased home shirt, on arrival in the club shop.

CONFUSION OVER LONDON MAYOR'S DECISION

Councillors have accused London Mayor Sadiq Kahn of signalling support for AFC Wimbledon's proposed stadium development, after initially opposing earlier proposals for a smaller project by non-league side Cray Wanderers.



Khan has handed the decision to Merton Council, who had already given approval before being called in briefly by predecessor Boris Johnson. The scheme involves plans for a 20.000-seater stadium, supermarket complex ands total of 602 residential units.

Concerns revolve around transport, a lack of parking and community facilities which are limited at this point in time. Wandsworth Council's planning chairman Sarah McDermott expressed confusion at Khan's decision. She said: "It's difficult to comprehend a move of this kind, especially after opposing a much more modest development in an apparent attempt to protect the capital's green belt."

Support appears to be forthcoming for AFC Wimbledon's new stadium in the main, with opposition consisting of a minority group in this situation

BLADES BOSS LAMENTS WASTEFUL FINISHING

As ever, expectations are high amongst those involved with Sheffield United and even neutrals from an observational point of view. However, an opening-day defeat against Bolton Wanderers has dampened the mood slightly at Bramall Lane.



Compounded by the fact that Chris Wilder's men failed to record a single shot on target during the entire contest, the Blades have performed a false-start after beginning the campaign as favourites.

Wilder's post-match press conference echoed this sentiment: "We controlled large parts of the game, but failed to show the quality we have in the final pass. We've put the ball in the right areas for the most part, but it's a results business and we just haven't got one today."

Addressing frustrations from the away end, Wilder wants to maintain a positive relationship. He said: "Keeping the supporters on-side is important. It was a massive following but we need to improve and that will be our main aim in the coming weeks."

WIMBLEDON WOUNDED

Making their first appearance in League One since forming in 2002, AFC Wimbledon failed to make an instant impression at this level after succumbing to a disappointing defeat at Walsall last weekend.

After defensive frailties were exposed at Banks's Stadium, supporters were still reeling from the departure of Ryan Sweeney, who was sold to Stoke City.

Manager Neal Ardley has urged his side to make an improvement, especially at the back: "We've been punished, chasing the game is never an ideal scenario. We've been caught on the break, but we're fine for the most part in our attacking play which some positives can be taken from."

Assessing the situation further, the manager began to summarise his side's afternoon: "You've got to be better in both boxes, there wasn't much between the two teams in midfield. Things need to tighten up if we're going to be successful. The fans were fantastic and stuck with us throughout which gave us a slight boost despite failing to rescue something from the game."

MK'S TRAINING GROUND TROUBLES

MK Dons recently proposed a move to Cosgrove as the search continues for a new training facility, but face serious opposition from local people.



A six-mile walk was due to take place against the proposal today, with those taking part claiming the area is unsuitable for a planned academy.

A club spokesman responded by saying: "We are continuing to refine the proposal prior to submitting a formal planning application, whilst considering other points of view in an attempt to construct an international-standard facility."

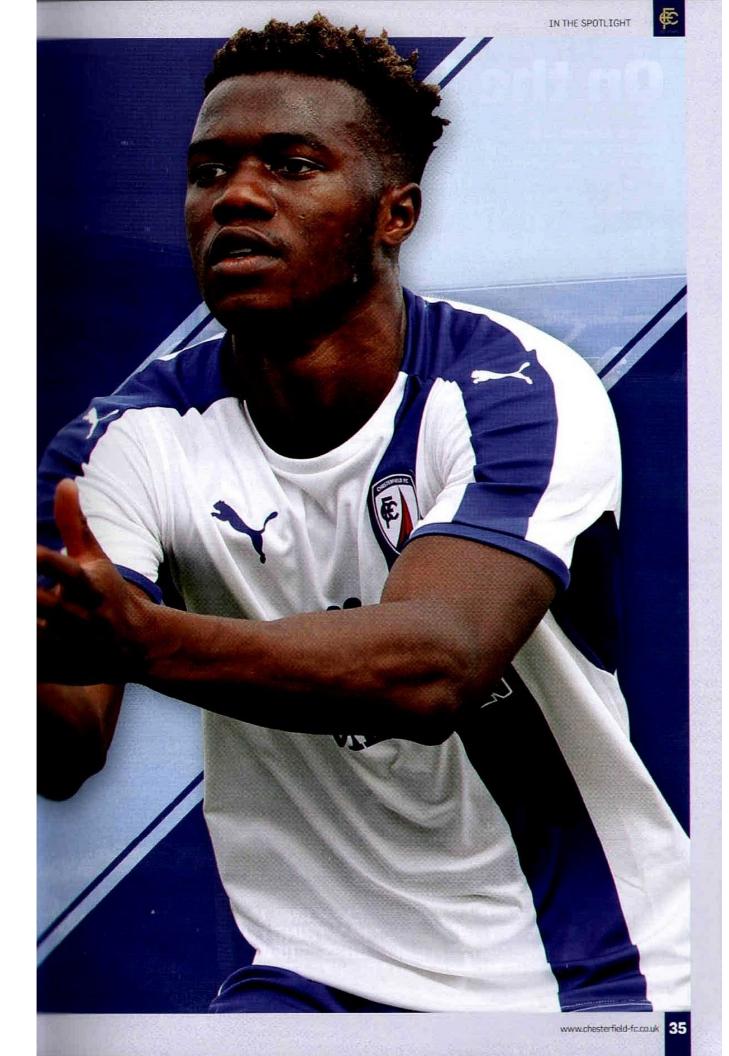
It will be interesting to see which side prevails in this debate, with the decision ultimately falling with the local council.





IN THE SPOTLIGHT GBOLY ARIYIBI

This season we're looking to sit the Spireites down and grill them with the big - and not so big - questions. The players have asked some and we want your questions too, so keep your eyes on social media to get involved. First, GBOLY ARIYIBI faces the questions from IAIN PEARCE.





On the field....

LAST SEASON WAS A BREAK-OUT CAMPAIGN FOR YOU - HOW AND WHY DID THAT HAPPEN?

The biggest factor was the gaffer coming in and putting his belief in me, that gave me confidence and I was able to grow from there. I feel I'm maturing, I'm playing a lot more games and we also have younger players coming in - as young as I am you still have to set an example to those even younger.

YOU'VE BEEN HERE FOR TWO YEARS NOW, WHICH GAME HAS BEEN YOUR HIGHLIGHT? SAM

HIRD, SPIREITES DEFENDER.
It has to be Barnsley away last season. It wasn't even the two assists I got, more that the atmosphere was crazy. They were fighting for the play-offs, we were fighting to stay up and with ten men we somehow got the win.

HAVE YOU ALWAYS BEEN A WINGER, OR HAVE YOU PLAYED IN OTHER POSITIONS WHEN YOU WERE YOUNGER? JAMES

NICHOLAS, VIA FACEBOOK.
I've always been a winger, from
when I was playing on Sundays I
would be out on the wing. I may
have dreamed of being a striker for
a bit like the other kids but no, I'm a
winger for life!

ARE YOU NATURALLY RIGHT OR LEFT-FOOTED?

I can use both, but I am dominantly a right-footer. I've been working on using my left since I was about 12 or 13 and I've gradually got better and it's become natural so I can play on either wing and I don't mind at all. It's not really something Southampton and the academy there pushed me into, I was doing it by myself and now I feel comfortable on both sides.



THE OXFORD UNITED GAME WAS A HOMECOMING FOR YOU, HOW MANY FRIENDS AND FAMILY DID YOU HAVE THERE TO SEE YOU?

Well, I asked for 30 tickets, but the ticket office here told me they could only get 30 for the whole squad. That left me struggling, so I had to buy a few tickets to get ever yone in. My mum was there, my brother, sisters, aunties and others who I'd not spoke to for years - all of a sudden, everyone wanted to come! They couldn't even take me out afterwards because we had the Rochdale game on Tuesday, so it was straight back up to Chesterfield for us.

ROCHDALE AWAY LAST SEASON: MAN OF THE MATCH, ASSISTS, A DISALLOWED GOAL, AND THEN TWO YELLOW CARDS. HOW DO YOU LOOK BACK ON THE GAME?

It was a bit frustrating: it was one of my best games. It's hard to play like that every week, and now people expect me to go past two or three players every time I get the ball. It's

about having a good game, not a bad one and if things aren't going well for whatever reason then you still need to have a good game and contribute to the team.

WHAT DID DANNY WILSON SAY TO YOU AFTER THAT ROCHDALE GAME?

After I got sent-off I was in the dressing room on my phone looking at the score. When Rochdale scored to make it 3-2 I was so scared, thinking I'd be in trouble if they scored again, but luckily we were able to step up and win it. When they all came back in the gaffer just said that I'd needed a rest anyway. Sylvan Ebanks-Blake told me to learn from it and that's what I've tried to do.

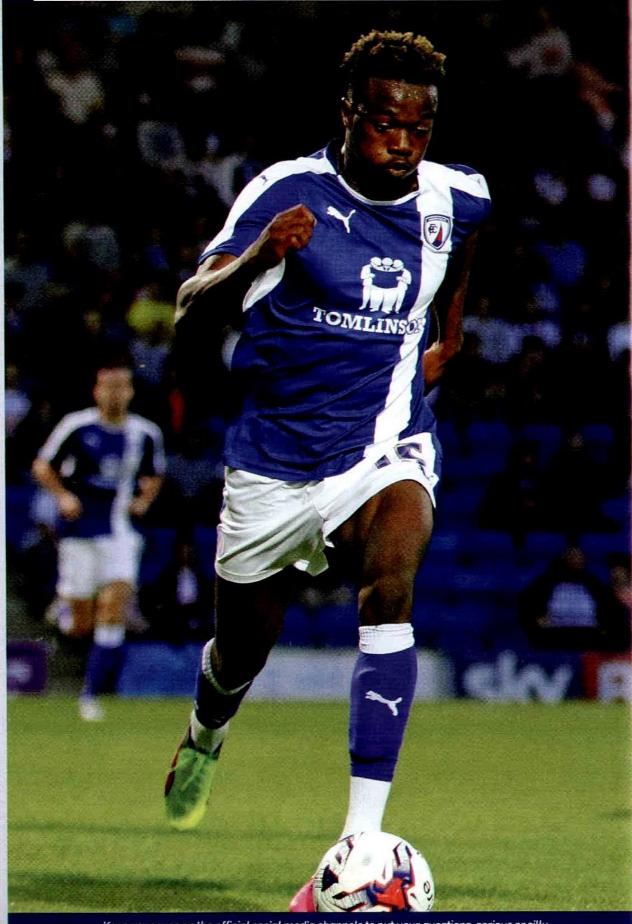
YOU'VE PLAYED FOR THE USA OLYMPIC TEAM, WHAT'S THE LATEST WITH YOUR INTERNATIONAL CAREER?

After we didn't qualify for the Olympics, the next step is the first team. Hopefully there will be a callup, but I've not heard anything from anyone yet.

"I KNOW AS MUCH AS ANYONE ELSE AND THE SPECULATION USUALLY ISN'T TRUE; THE ONLY THING FOR ME TO DO IS CONCENTRATE ON FOOTBALL. CHESTERFIELD ARE ALL THAT MATTERS AT THE MOMENT SO I DON'T LET IT GET INTO MY HEAD.







Keep your eyes on the official social media channels to put your questions, serious or silly, to one of the Spireites in a future programme edition.



Off the field..

YOU'RE A MANCHESTER UNITED FAN AND YOU'RE FRIENDS WITH AND A FORMER TEAM-MATE OF LUKE SHAW, DO YOU ASK HIM FOR FREEBIES? RYAN FULTON, SPIREITES GOALKEEPER.

To be honest. I don't speak to Luke Shaw too much these days and I don't like to ask for freebies like that. I don't even have a Man Utd shirt from him, I'm just waiting until I play him. In training I used to be able to get him with a few step-overs.

HOW OFTEN DO PEOPLE PRONOUNCE YOUR NAME WRONG? I MUST ADMIT, I STRUGGLE WITH IT... JEFF

HALL, SPIREITES SUPERFAN All the time! I might have to take the G out of my name so it's easier, I guess I'm used to it now though. In Nigeria they actually pronounce the 'G' a bit, but in England it's harder for people to do. My mum pronounces it the proper way!

YOU'RE OFTEN SEEN WITH REECE MITCHELL - ARE YOU **ACTING AS A ROLE MODEL TO** HIM?

You know what, I think he gets a bit annoyed when he hears that. It's more that I was in his position two years ago when I first came to the club without much first-team experience, so I know that it's good to have someone who's been in that same position. I'm speaking to Reece on a daily basis and I'm sure he's going to have a big future at the club.

WHO WAS YOUR IDOL AS A KID?

SEAN MARTIN, VIA FACEBOOK. It's Ronaldo now, but it was Jay-Jay Okocha when I was younger. I followed Nigeria and he ripped the Premier League up. As a teenager I



saw him play and me and my brother caught up with him after a game and had a picture with him. He had a DVD when he was at Bolton and I would watch it every day.

WHO ARE THE BEST PLAYERS YOU'VE PLAYED WITH AND AGAINST? JAMES NICHOLAS.

VIA FACEBOOK.

El Hadji Diouf has to be up there. When I was at Leeds he was like Ronaldinho. To play against...Drew Talbot was a tough opponent in training - but then I did rip him a few times by the end.

WHAT DO YOU HAVE FOR BREAKFAST? LOTTIE BRYAN.

VIA FACEBOOK.

In the morning I have porridge and a cinnamon and raisin bagel with a poached egg. Since Mal Purchase has come in he's been brilliant. I wasn't that good with food before and he's helped me eat the right

things. It all makes a difference.

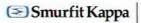
YOU'VE REPRESENTED THE USA HAVING BEEN BORN THERE, BUT HOW AMERICAN DO YOU FEEL? PHIL TOOLEY, STATS AND MEDIA MAN.

There's a part of the USA in me, but growing up in England and having a Nigerian heritage with parents and all my family from there I really feel that culture in me.

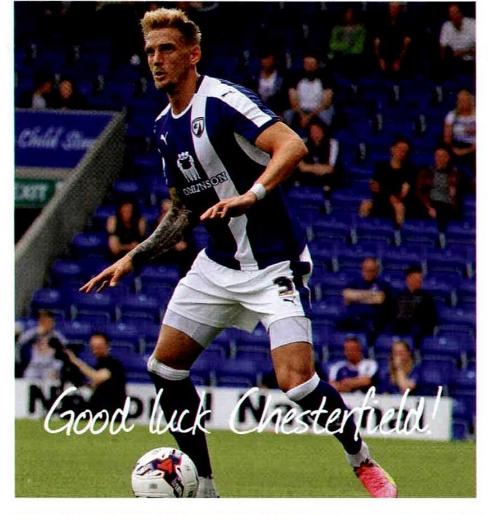
WITH SPECULATION ALWAYS SURROUNDING PLAYERS' FUTURES, DO YOU LOOK AT THE **GOSSIP ONLINE?**

I try not to, but then I get my friends tweeting me stuff. I know as much as anyone else and the speculation usually isn't true: the only thing for me to do is concentrate on football. Chesterfield are all that matters at the moment so I don't let it get into my head.

"AS A TEENAGER I SAW JAY-JAY OKOCHA PLAY AND ME AND MY BROTHER CAUGHT UP WITH HIM AFTER THE GAME AND HAD A PICTURE WITH HIM. HE HAD A DVD WHEN HE WAS AT BOLTON AND I WOULD WATCH IT EVERY DAY."









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VIEW FROM THE PRESS BOX

THIS NEW COLUMN HAS BEEN INTRODUCED TO GIVE FANS AN INSIGHT INTO THE RUNNING OF THE CLUB'S MEDIA DEPARTMENT AND RECOUNT SOME INTERESTING/ **AMUSING (HOPEFULLY!) STORIES ALONG THE WAY.**

The manager has been busy in the transfer market over the summer and we have also brought in some new faces. I'd like to welcome Craig Draycott and Paul Joannou to the media team. Craig and Paul will be spending the season with us 'on loan' from the University of Huddersfield.

As part of their work placement, they will spend a day a week at the Proact, helping to put the programme together and working on website articles and video packages. They will also assist with the matchday coverage. We have enjoyed a mutually beneficial relationship with the University of Huddersfield over a number of years and it is very satisfying to see some of the students go on to carve out careers in the media. Luke Ingram, for example, now works in the media department at Oldham Athletic.

I am delighted that we have also managed to sign a new, star columnist in the shape of Tommy Lee. Tommy, who is studying journalism, writes some interesting articles and I am pleased that we have managed to secure his services.

Sadly, we have had to release Rodger Wylde, who wrote a popular programme column last season. I say "popular" because Rodger regularly told me about the number of people who came up to him when he was in the gym or out and about, telling him how much they loved his column (or "tent pole" as he called it). Rodger was



offered the chance to re-sign for this season but I was simply unable to meet his demands, unfortunately. I would like to thank Rodger for his contribution and wish him all the very best for the future.

In order to put a programme together, it is vital to have reliable contributors and I am always grateful to those who submit articles, some of whom have contributed for many years. I would also like to take this opportunity to

thank Rubicon Print, who previously printed the programmes, together with designer Mark Tomlinson.

I hope you enjoy the content in this new-look programme. If you have any comments you would like to make. I would welcome feedback via nickjohnson@chesterfield-fc. co.uk.

Nick Johnson Head of Media & Communications





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TOMMY LEE

TOMMY SAYS HE IS QUITE A KEEN MUSIC FAN, **ALTHOUGH, IN HIS OWN WORDS, HE INSISTS** HE IS NOT "MUSIC DAFT". AFTER ONLY A LITTLE THOUGHT, TOMMY WAS ABLE TO **PROVIDE DETAILS OF HIS TOP THREE TUNES...**

THE SMITHS **HOW SOON IS NOW**

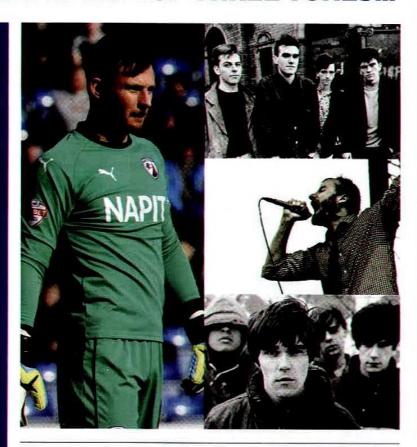
"I've always liked The Smiths but the first time I heard How Soon is Now I was around 16 or 17 and it was like nothing that I'd heard before. The chord progression by Johnny Marr was special. Also the lyrics resonated at the time."

THE STONE ROSES THIS IS THE ONE

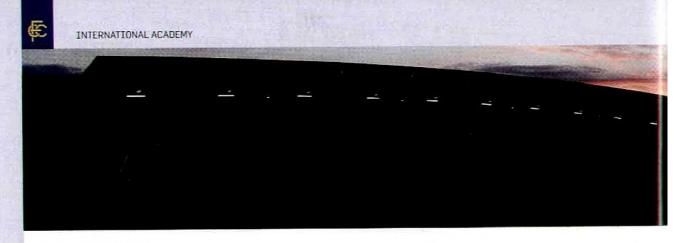
"Being at Manchester United, one of the tracks they always play is this is one every Saturday when the team are warming up. So being a Stone Roses fan and the fact I was at Man United made it that extra bit special."

THE NATIONAL **FAKE EMPIRE**

"That is just a great tune. The first time I heard it was at Glastonbury and I hadn't really heard of them. I think it was the afternoon set and the sun was setting and I've loved them ever since. They're a little bit different but a similar sort of ilk to Stone Roses and The Smiths."



"I WAS AROUND 16 OR 17 AND IT WAS LIKE NOTHING THAT I'D **HEARD BEFORE. THE CHORD PROGRESSION BY JOHNNY** MARR WAS SPECIAL."



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THANKS TO STAVELEY MW

It is with great pleasure that I compliment the team that played last season in the HKL league. In my opinion, I felt that Staveley Miners Welfare performed consistently and did ever so well to win the league at U21 level.

It is also great to see that they have given the stadium at Inkersall Road a new lease of life with building improvements and relaying the pitch.

The people at Staveley made us feel very welcome and that gave us the opportunity to treat their stadium with respect and almost like a second home. As they as a club progress, they want a top-notch surface to play on without

ABOVE:

Partners of the CFC International Academy the threat of ruining it by having too many teams playing on it. This is fully understandable given what I witnessed last season and the way that their 21s played the game - good quality football on the deck!

My sincere thanks go to Terry Damms and Ele Reaney for their valued help and support last season. I wish them and their various teams well for the upcoming season.

THE CHAMPIONS CUP

The Champions Cup was

held at the end of May at the Proact Stadium and proved to be an excellent addition to our portfolio of events/projects. My sincere thanks go to all the teams who took part, together with the parents, coaches/ managers, volunteers and Lewis Duckmanton. who works for us on our analysis. He organised on the day, deciding where teams would be, arranging kick-off times and the generally making sure it all ran smoothly. Well done, Lewis!



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We move on to planning for next season's competition and we hope that it will improve to make it the best it can be. We have taken feedback from the clubs and teams that took part and we are hopeful they and others will want to experience taking part in The Champions Cup!

THE NEW SEASON

It has been a very busy few months and we are looking forward to a progressive season in 2016/17. We will be looking to try and play effective and free-flowing football that engages the players and their learning.

The close-season has been a period of placing building blocks in the correct place and we look forward to a successful season in which the players enjoy their time with us and learn as much as possible.

Liam Sutcliffe International Academy Director

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OXFORD: Eastwood, Long, Nelson, Dunkley (Ruffels 40°), Skarz, MacDonald, Lundstram, Sercombe, Maguire (Roberts 64), Thomas (Hemmings 81), Taylor. Subs (not used:) Buchel, Crowley, Rothwell, Welch-Hayes.



CHESTERFIELD: Fulton, McGinn, Evatt, Raglan, Donohue, Gardner (Simons 67), Nolan, Liddle, Ariyibi, O'Shea, Evans (Dennis 88). Subs (not used): Allinson, Mitchell, Dimaio, Maguire, Daly.

ATTENDANCE: 8,679 (872 from Chesterfield)

REFEREE: Gavin Ward (Surrey)

THE SPIREITES OPENED UP THE SEASON WITH A CREDITABLE DRAW TO MAINTAIN THEIR UNBEATEN RECORD AT THE KASSAM STADIUM.

Debut maker Ched Evans hammered in a 76th minute long-range free-kick, low through a crowded box after Gboly Ariyibi had been fouled as he burst through. The need to equalise arose after Wes Thomas, also a debut maker, tapped in from close range on the half-hour mark after Chesterfield keeper Ryan Fulton was unable to hold on the Alex MacDonald's angled effort.

Evans and Fulton were joined by Paul McGinn and Jon Nolan in making a first Spireites league appearance and, late on, Kristian Dennis joined them when he replaced the scorer.

Oxford, fresh from a promotion-winning season, had the better of the first half but solid defending from Ian Evatt and Charlie Raglan meant that the lead at the break was marginal, which allowed Danny Wilson's men to step up a gear in the second half.

Evans found himself in a couple of decent positions - one shot was saved and another hit hard but wide - whilst United, playing on the break, saw Thomas clip the post ahead of Evans' goal and Raglan made a fine block a yard from the line to prevent the same player getting another tap-in opportunity.

Buoyed by a noisy travelling support, Evans' goal earned the point and he and his joyous team-mates celebrated right in front of them to ensure there were plenty of smiles on the way back home.











MATCH FACTS

- · Five Spireites made their league debuts; Jon Nolan became the 1,105th player to represent the club during its two league spells, Ched Evans has been allocated No. 1,106, Paul McGinn 1,107. Ryan Fulton 1.108 and sub Kristian Dennis 1.109.
- · Of those players, it was the first ever Football League game for Notan and McGinn.
- · Oxford gave debuts to Curtis Nelson, Simon Eastwood and Wes Thomas, plus subs Tyler Roberts and Kane Hemmings.
- The game ended a run of 138 consecutive league games for shoulder injury victim Tommy Lee. His last league miss was Jack Lester's swan-song against Exeter City in 2013.
- · Ian Evatt made his first appearance of 2016 after recovering from injury in what is his 19th season as a full-time footballer.





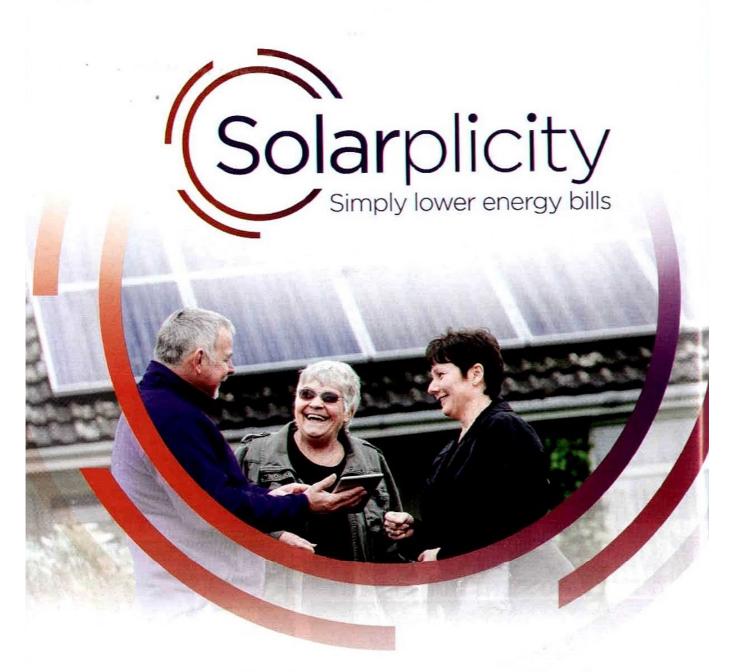
Chesterfield manager Danny Wilson:

"I thought all the debutants contributed; it's very important that the lads that have come into the team settle. They have settled quite well during pre-season, but there's nothing like the big stage and from what I saw. they've done well. We were unfortunate to be behind at half time. It was a very hot day and as the game went on the pitch got drier and that slowed the ball up and I think we were an even match for each other. We conceded a soft goal in the first half, but we showed our character in the second half to come back and get a point."



Oxford manager Michael Appleton:

"First half, we were excellent, the only downside was only coming in 1-0 up. We had to rejig a bit after the injury and the second half was okay, a decent performance. It could have been 2-0 quite easily with the chance Wes Thomas hit the post with but they then had a couple of opportunities on the break, which all teams are going to get. End result? Satisfied rather than happy."



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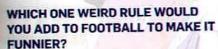


WHICH SUPER POWER WOULD YOU HAVE TO IMPROVE YOUR

I would be invisible, because you could pop up anywhere on the pitch.

WHICH FOOTBALLER DID YOU PRETEND TO BE WHILE PLAYING IN THE PARK AS A CHILD?

It was Ryan Giggs.



I would make fouls legal!



Players who pretend to be hard on the pitch because they know nothing can happen to them.

WHO WOULD PLAY YOU IN A FILM **ABOUT YOUR LIFE?**

Matthew McConaughey or, if not, Bradley Cooper.

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVOURITE **CHILDHOOD TOY?**

Woody from Toy Story.

WHAT ITEM OF CLOTHING DO YOU OWN TOO MUCH OF?

Too many trainers, mainly Nike.

WHICH THREE ITEMS ARE ALWAYS IN YOUR FRIDGE?

Almond milk, Greek yogurt and berries.

WHAT IS YOUR WEIRDEST TALENT?

I can shake my eyeballs!

WHAT WOULD YOU SING AT KARAOKE?

I'd go for Girlfriend by NSYNC.

WHAT ARE YOU WATCHING ON **NETFLIX?**

The Power.

WHO IS THE MOST FAMOUS PERSON YOU'VE MET?

Glenn Hoddle, Paul Gascoigne or Alan Shearer.









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FIRST GAME AT THE PROACT FOR THE NEW SEASON AND IT ALREADY FEELS VERY DIFFERENT, DOESN'T IT?

We've made a couple of transfers of our own over the summer so I thought I'd use this column to address them.

First off all I'd like to say a big thank you to former colleague and friend Pete Farries for the work he has done in the commentary box over the past three seasons.

Some of my most enjoyable moments in my career have come working alongside him. Wembley for the JPT and in particular watching Gary Roberts curl the winner in against Fleetwood to win the title.

But things change and Pete made the decision to move on and as such I wish him well in his future career.

To replace him we brought in the new and the familiar.

You'll probably have already heard Joe Rawson on Peak FM or Spireites Player this season and if so hopefully you'll have enjoyed the way he goes about his work.

He's a local lad who has wanted this gig for a while and you can tell he has the club at heart. (The picture he tweeted on the pitch at Saltergate is a great example of that).

And with him... Phil Tooley is back with us. As well as being the fountain of all knowledge Chesterfield based, he has also been involved with the station on and off since we were founded.

Together we hope they can help to describe what will ultimately be an exciting season, which truly underway this afternoon with the first home game.

Don't forget we take your calls post-match on Peak FM's Total Sport between 5 and 6 every week, win, lose or draw. The number you need is $01246\ 261\ 107$.

Enjoy the game.

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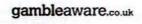
Tom Hilton Peak FM's Total Sport















BEHIND THE SCEN



THIS NEW FEATURE PROVIDES FANS WITH AN INSIGHT INTO THE ROLES PLAYED BY PEOPLE WORKING AT THE PROACT. THE SERIES GETS UNDERWAY WITH A Q&A WITH JOHN KNAPPER, WHO SPOKE TO CRAIG DRAYCOTT ABOUT HIS JOB IN THE ACADEMY. JOHN IS A FORMER NON-LEAGUE MIDFIELDER WHO PLAYED FOR VARIOUS CLUBS IN THE EAST MIDLANDS BEFORE HANGING UP HIS BOOTS.

WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AT THE CLUB?

I'm involved in operations with the academy.

WHAT DOES YOUR JOB INVOLVE?

I deal with the administrative work for the academy. This includes paperwork sent by the EFL and the Football Association, together with the League Football Education (LFE). This enables Mark Smith - the academy manager - to obviously spend more time out on the grass. coaching the youngsters.

WHAT SKILLS DOES THIS REQUIRE?

I have come from a football background, but I deal with a whole range of everyday scenarios that arise. Sorting out the fixtures, the referees, the venues, and then obviously dealing with the LFE to make sure that the lads are doing computer work and going to college.

It is a wide ranging role which is really enjoyable.

WHAT IS YOUR BACKGROUND?

I played at non-league level for the likes of Eastwood, Ilkeston and Alfreton, moving about for a bit of money. That took up a lot of my time and I also worked for 16 years in the finance department of the Royal Mail, which I left in 2013.

HOW DID YOU GET THE JOB AT CHESTERFIELD?

The role at Chesterfield came up through club director Chris Breeze and Mark Smith and it has just gone on to grow and grow. I have a good relationship with Mark who just lets me get on with things. We are still learning day-to-day and hopefully it will come to a stage where everything is working completely smoothly to the satisfaction of Dave Allen, Mark [Smith] and the football

HOW MANY DAYS DO YOU **WORK IN AN ORDINARY** WEEK?

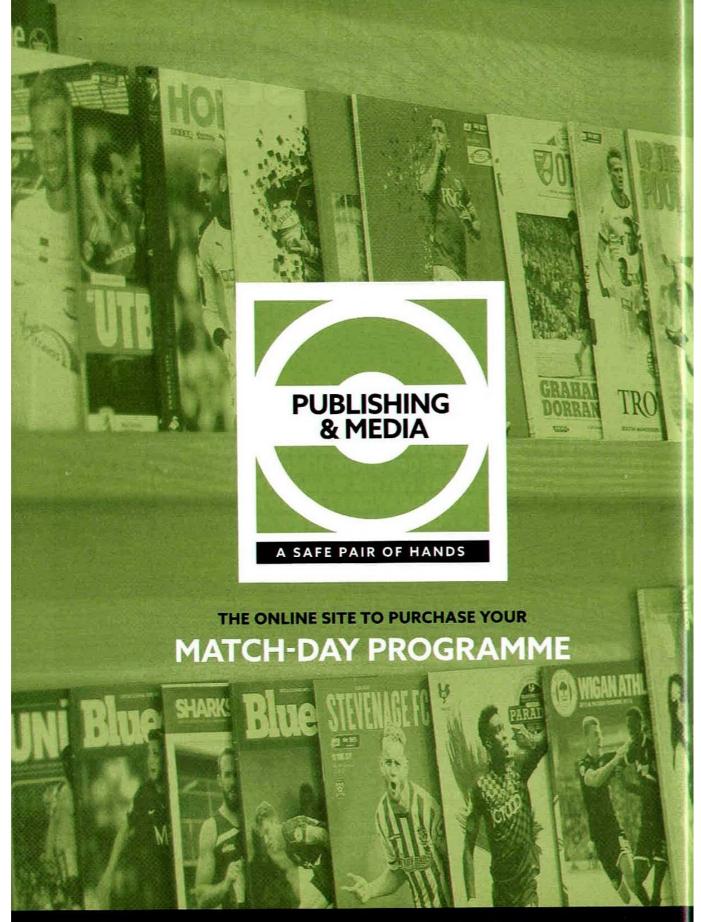
In an ordinary week I am actually doing three days now - Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays - because towards the end of the week we are organising the games programme and the Youth Alliance League, where we are sorting out the travel. the referees and liaising with the other football clubs.

WHAT DO YOU DO OUTSIDE OF THE FOOTBALL CLUB?

I mentor naughty children at a local school. I have got a great balance, to be honest, but I most of all enjoy the football environment as I have been involved in it for the majority of my life.

WHAT ITEM DO YOU USE MOST OFTEN?

My laptop or my phone. I would prefer face-to-face interaction but that's not always possible.



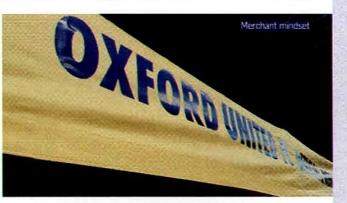
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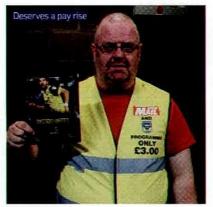


BEN LITTLEWOOD TOOK HIS CAMERA TO OXFORD UNITED FOR THE OPENING GAME OF THE SEASON AND CAPTURED A SERIES OF IMAGES FROM A FAN'S PERSPECTIVE...



















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PLANET FOOTBALL

WORDS: Jon Leeming

ENGLAND'S DEFEAT BY ICELAND IN EURO 2016 MAY NOT BE QUITE AS SEISMIC AS BREXIT, BUT TO FOOTBALL FANS IT'S JUST AS SIGNIFICANT, CHRIS RADFORD FROM BRAMPTON BREWERY, A **KEY CLUB SPONSOR, WAS THERE TO WITNESS THE EVENT ALONG** WITH HIS SON LUKE AND FRIENDS FROM CHESTERFIELD.

ENGLAND V ICELAND (NICE) MONDAY, JUNE 27 — A DATE THAT WILL LIVE IN ENGLAND FOOTBALL HISTORY FOREVER

We always assumed that given the number of chances to qualify for the later stages, even England would get through to the last 16, but given the geographic permutations we tried to cover all bases. We watched the final group game in Group F on TV, convinced that we'd be playing Portugal in Nice. but a 94th minute winner from Iceland in their game versus Austria meant it was England v Iceland in the last 16 and triggered immediate thoughts about a probable quarter-final fixture in Paris for England on Sunday, July 3. Yes - fooled again! In time honoured tradition, before our game against Iceland, five of us took the hit and booked early morning one-way flights to Paris for Sunday, July 3 - hindsight is a wonderful thing!

A group of six of us travelled by various means for the game in Nice. Chris Radford decided to treat his son Luke to his first England away game (apologies Luke). In Paris, two things struck us about the city: the majority of Parisians were in total shock with the Brexit vote that had happened and secondly - there were very few Welsh supporters about.

We get ourselves to Paris Charles De Gaulle Airport on the Sunday lunchtime, meet up with the third member of our group and get our afternoon flight to Nice. We're checked in by 4.30pm on Sunday, Nice is a lovely city and it was a gorgeous sunny day - the bars did a roaring trade with a mix of French, Icelandic & English folk making the most of the weather - I can only assume that the Icelandic people enjoyed making the most of the very cheap alcohol given the prices back home!

We made our way up towards Nice

Railway Station where the two Radfords were due to arrive around 8pm after their Eurostar/ TGV journey. Next we located to a great local which we hoped would be a place of celebration after the match.

Monday was matchday and once again kick-off wasn't until 9pm. A day in Monaco seemed a good idea and was just

a short train ride from Nice. It was as we all expected; glitzy, loads of money and lots of familiar landmarks thanks to the Monaco F1 Grand Prix. We enjoyed the sights, shuddered at the cost of a beer and were back in Nice by mid-afternoon.

The ground wasn't the easiest to get to so we took local advice and booked a taxi to get us there & back. We entered the ground in plenty of time for kick off and were - don't ask me why - pretty confident. How wrong could we be? Now I've seen England put in some pretty dismal shifts in my time watching them, but that second half versus Iceland was just a complete embarrassment - a total lack of belief, understanding and basic football skills - at the end of the match the England supporters gave their forthright views to the team big time. I'm not sure if that was picked up on TV but I'm sure Luke picked up plenty of words and phrases that he wouldn't dare utter at school!

Thankfully, our taxi back to Nice was



waiting outside the ground. It was a very quiet journey back - we were first ones back into our pre-determined local where I reckon the first couple of beers just went down with no conversation made. Soon the bar filled and included a large group of obviously jubilant Iceland fans. They were almost applogetic for beating us. We have a few more beers and then wander our sorry way back to the digs.... the end of another tournament for us.

Just to cap it all, we turn up at the airport Tuesday morning for our return flight to the UK and the French Air Traffic Controllers are on strike! Bizarrely, we felt fortunate to have just a two-hour delay on our flight - a lot of earlier ones had been cancelled altogether and we got back into the UK, forced to relive the whole horrendous experience via the newspapers and TV.

It all starts again on Sunday, September 4 with our first World Cup 2018 qualifier away against Stovakia and yes, it's all booked up. When will we ever learn?

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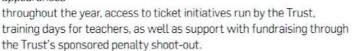
As the first team get underway, children at primary schools in Chesterfield and north Derbyshire can now play their part too as Chesterfield FC Community Trust launch the Spireites Schools Partnership.

Working alongside the Premier League, the partnership, which already has a number of schools engaged, will see coaches from the trust deliver PE and after school clubs at local primary schools from September 2016. In addition to this, children from the partner schools will be invited to the Proact Stadium for educational days which include literacy,

numeracy, geography and a behind the scenes look of the stadium.

Through the partnership. schools will also receive first-team player

appearances



For more information on the Spireites Schools Partnership, contact Michael Noon via email: michaelnoon@chesterfield-fc.co.uk or phone 01246 264030.

SPIREITE OF THE WEEK

This week we have 2 young people who have been nominated by the coaches at the Spireites Soccer School due to their attitude and work rate.

A massive well done to:

Oliver Lindie - 6 Dylan Metcalfe - 6





This August has seen the launch of Chesterfield FC Community Trust's Spireites Soccer School, based at St Mary's High School in Newbold. The days have been full of professional coaching in a fun environment followed by Euro 2016 themed tournaments in the afternoon, which has seen many competitive young players expressing themselves.

The first two weeks have seen over 200 children aged 5-13 take to the turf to improve their skills and make new friends. With a different theme each day to work on, it has seen many young footballers (some kicking a ball for the first time) develop into potential future Spireites.

With options to book singular days or full weeks, it's one not to be missed this summer. To book, contact the activities team via activities@ chesterfield-fc.co.uk or phone 01246 264030.

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2015/2016 END OF TERM REPORT

Throughout the year, Chesterfield FC Community Trust aim to work with as many primary schools in the local area as possible. Over the past year there has been a vast increase in the amount of schools the trust has worked with, with this figure due to rise next year with the launch of the Spireites Schools Partnership, with this section of the programme being dedicated to a different school each week.

Throughout 2015/2016 Chesterfield FC Community Trust is pleased to report that we have worked in the following schools:

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Thanks to all partner schools for their continued support, we look forward to working with you all next year along with some new schools which will be announced soon.

For more information on the Spireites Schools Partnership, contact Michael Noon, michaelnoon@chesterfield-fc.co.uk -01246 264 030.





TODAY'S FLAG BEARERS: CHESTERFIELD LADIES FC

Welcome to the Proact Stadium to our partner club, Chesterfield Ladies FC. CLFC is a Charter Standard club that provides football for women and girls in Chesterfield and the surrounding areas. Established over 20 years ago, they are one of the largest female sides in the area.

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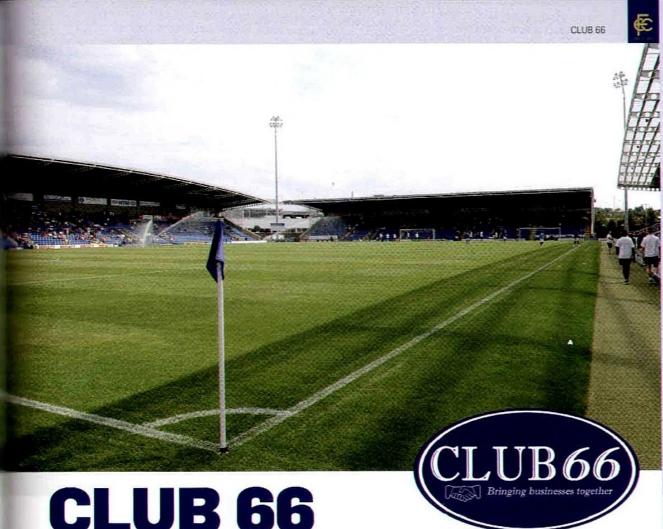
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- · A pair of tickets for a category B match during the 2016/17 season.
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To find out more, please email club66@chesterfield-fc.co.uk



WELCOME BACK TO THE PROACT FOR OUR FIRST HOME GAME OF THE SEASON.

I would like to offer a warm welcome to our advertisers, sponsors and the members and guests in the DCJ Group Spires Restaurant, Club Taxis Vice-Presidents Lounge and Brampton Brewery 1866 Lounge.

I hope you all have a very enjoyable day.

Jim Brown Commercial Manager

TODAY'S MATCH SPONSOR: **G F TOMLINSON GROUP**

Welcome to our guests from today's match sponsor, G F Tomlinson Group.

The Derbyshire-based construction company have taken as the club's new shirt sponsor this season, with their logo appearing on all home and away shirts.

G F Tomlinson's initial involvement with the club saw them sponsor the giant video screen inside the stadium before

they agreed a three-year shirt sponsorship deal.

The support given to the club by director and general manager Andy Hughes and all at G F Tomlinson is very much appreciated.

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HALL OF FAME

OLIVER THOMPSON

WORDS: Stuart Basson

IN THIS BRAND NEW FEATURE, WE CELEBRATE LEADING PLAYERS AND PERSONALITIES FROM CHESTERFIELD'S FIRST 150 YEARS...

His playing career was over long before most of us began watching the Spireites, but Oliver Thompson continued to serve the club for many years after that. Ollie was born in 1900 in County Durham and moved down from his native County Durham to play for Merthyr Town, the Division Three (South) side, in March 1922. He was soon on his way, however, joining the Spireites after an unhappy few months in south Wales.

A constructive left-half, he settled in immediately and, over the next six seasons, comfortably saw off any challenger for his position. Ollie grew in affection for the club and turned down approaches from Manchester United to remain at Chesterfield.

At the time of his departure for Queens Park Rangers in 1928, he had made more league appearances for Chesterfield (219) than any other player since the club joined the Northern Section. After one indifferent season in London, he returned north to captain York City upon their elevation to Football League status. He saw out his playing career with Halifax before receiving an offer to succeed Peter Irvine as a trainer on the Saltergate

staff in 1933. Ollie came back without hesitation, for he had married a Chesterfield girl and had come to regard the town as home.

With Shirley Abbott, he became a mainstay of the club's coaching team. He was instrumental in bringing on many fine players through the early stages of their Chesterfield careers. Players like Harry Clifton came down from



ABOVE:

Ollie the trainer, treating Walter Harrison in 1955

BELOW:

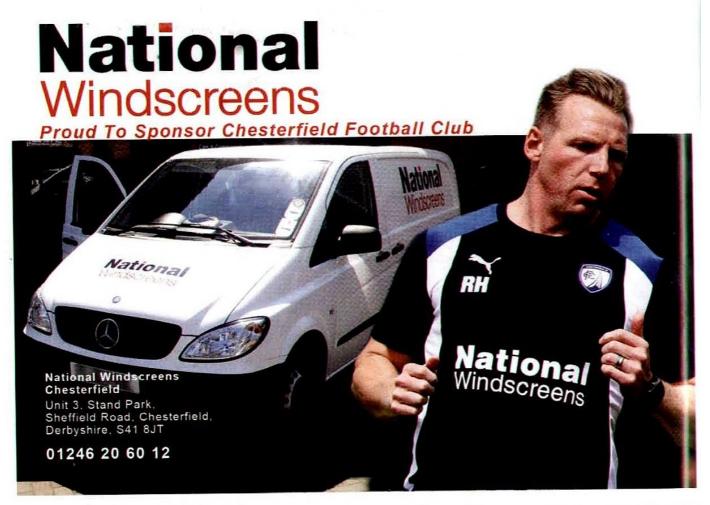
Ollie the successful schoolboy footballer at Marley Hill. County Durham, in 1911. their homes in the northeast and were reassured to find a friendly face and familiar accent in Ollie, helping them to settle in more quickly. During the war, he took over as first-team trainer, and held that post until 1966, whereupon he took a slightly less active role as club masseur.

> Among the many highlights of his career was a rare goal against Higham Ferrers, a Northamptonshire village team, in an FA Cup match right at the start of his Chesterfield career: with the Spireites a minute away from a humiliating home defeat, Ollie forced his way through a ruck of players in

midfield and launched a 40-yard shot that screamed into the net.

He remembered with particular relish a match at Newcastle in 1938/39, when a Chesterfield team containing many Geordies beat the Magpies with a Billy Kidd goal. Indeed, Ollie probably rated the '38/39 team as the club's best, feeling that they were on the verge of great things until war intervened.

In all, Ollie experienced Chesterfield life as a player and trainer under 11 different managers over some 46 years. And he wished it had been more: one of his greatest regrets was that he spent his last years as a player away from Saltergate.







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NON-LEAGUE NEIGHBOURS

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE NEW CAMPAIGN

WORDS: Richard Rutherford

THIS SEASON I WILL ONCE AGAIN BE LOOKING AT THE DERBYSHIRE NON-LEAGUE SCENE, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE TEAMS FROM NORTH AND MID-DERBYSHIRE.

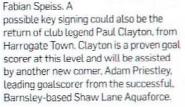
Last season wasn't a particularly successful one for any of the county's teams. No club managed to secure promotion, although some did have successful seasons. The only club to suffer relegation were New Mills, who this season will play in the North West Counties League

NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH

Alfreton Town are the counties highest-placed club. Last season they finished a creditable tenth in their first season at this level since relegation from the top level of nonleague football.



This season has so far seen a number of comings and goings. Some interesting new signings include former Rotherham wide player Andy Monkhouse, former Spireite Craig Westcarr and former Notts County keeper



The strength of this level of football has never been higher. The new season is likely to see strong challenges from Darlington 1883, Salford City, AFC Fylde (who are now full-time), Stockport County and Harrogate Town.

The Reds' playing surface is once again

up to its magnificent best. Their opening fixtures begin with a trip to Stockport County (August 6), followed by home matches against Gainsborough Trinity and Curzon Ashton.

EVOSTIK NORTHERN PREMIER

Once again the county has four clubs operating at this level.

Matlock Town will be hoping to improve on last season's disappointing finishing place of 17th. They have a new management team of the returning Craig Hopkins and Glenn Kirkwood.

Key players this season could be the returning popular defender Adam Yates, coupled with the much-travelled Andy Todd. Niall McManus will be their main goal threat. As many Spireites will have noticed at the recent friendly, the playing surface at the DCJ Group Insurance Arena is looking superb, thanks to new groundsman Richard Lomas, who the club share with Buxton FC.

The Gladiators begin their season on August 13 with a trip to Coby Town. This is followed by a home match the following Tuesday against Skelmersdale

Buxton FC will also be looking to improve on their 11th place finish last season. Manager Martin McIntosh is at this point reshaping his squad, which he hopes will see them challenge for the play- offs.

The Bucks' first two fixtures are at home to Halesowen Town followed by a trip to Grantham Town.

Ilkeston FC have a new manager, former Spireite Paul Holland,



who has been busy putting a competitive squad together. They once again will be relying on their successful academy system, which has seen them produce the likes of our own Rai Simons and Sheffield United's Che Adams. Last season saw the club do well to finish 14th after a season of many changes.

The Robins' first two games see them begin with a home match against promoted Stafford Rangers followed by a long trip to Whitby Town.

Mickleove Sports did well to stay out of the relegation zone last season, finishing just one place and one point above. They have new manager in former Alfreton and York City stalwart John McGrath, who was quick to resign Saint kitts and Nevis international Zeph Thomas and also experienced former Huddersfield Town midfielder Danny Schofield

They begin their season with a trip to Nantwich town followed by a home game at Station Road with Rushall Olympic.

EVOSTIK DIVISION ONE NORTH

Glossop North End will be looking to go one better this season after reaching the play-offs in their first season at this level, last time around. They open the new season with a trip to newcomers Colne, followed by a midweek home game against Trafford.

EVOSTIK DIVISION ONE SOUTH

Belper Town finished 13th last season. This time around they will be looking to gain more consistency. They begin with a visit to much-fancied Kidsgrove Athletic. followed by a home encounter with Newcastle Town.

I will be taking a look at our other local sides - Heanor Town, Staveley MW, ILKESTON Shirebrook Town and Dronfield Town - in the next programme.



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Hope you are having a good summer and are now looking forward to the 2016/17 season and getting to know the new players who have arrived at Chesterfield FC.

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Today we welcome to the Proact the young fans of SWINDON TOWN FC - we hope you enjoy your visit.

Let's get behind the team and enjoy the game.

C'mon you SUPER SPIREITES!

ANAGRAM

This anagram contains the surname of two CFC players - who are they?



SCRAPBOOK

Feb12, 1938 - drew 2-2 with Tottenham Hotspur in the FA Cup.

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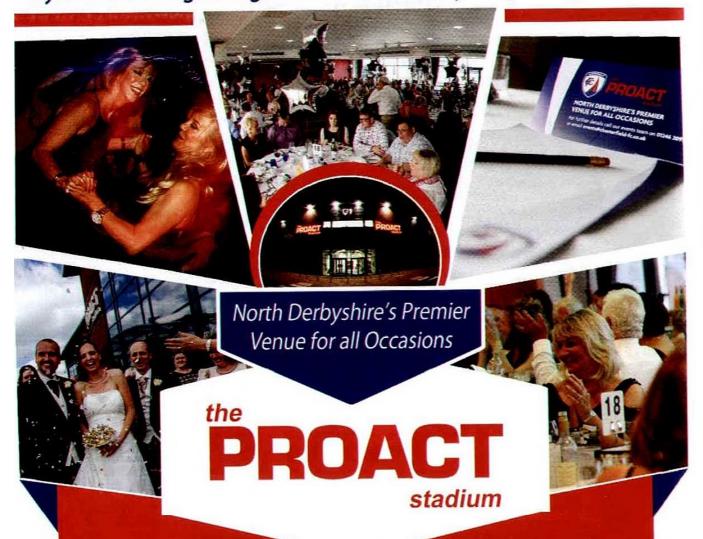
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4	Walsall	1	1	0	0	3	1	+2	3
5	Bury	1	1	0	0	2	0	+2	3
6	Peterborough United	1	1	0	0	3	2	+1	3
7	Bolton Wanderers	1	1	0	0	1	0	+1	3
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13	Oxford United	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
14	Bradford City	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
15	Port Vale	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
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17	Coventry City	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
18	Sheffield United	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
19	Shrewsbury Town	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
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21	Bristol Rovers	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
22	Southend United	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
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Tue 16	Walsall	Н	EFL1	19:45	
Sat 20	Shrewsbury Town	Α	EFL1	15:00	
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Sat 10	Oldham Athletic	A	EFL2	15:00	/4
Sat 17	Northampton Town	H	EFL2	15:00	- 1
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Tue 1	4 Gillingham	A	EFL2	19:45	
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Sat 2	5 Oxford United	H	EFL2	15:00	
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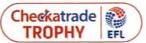






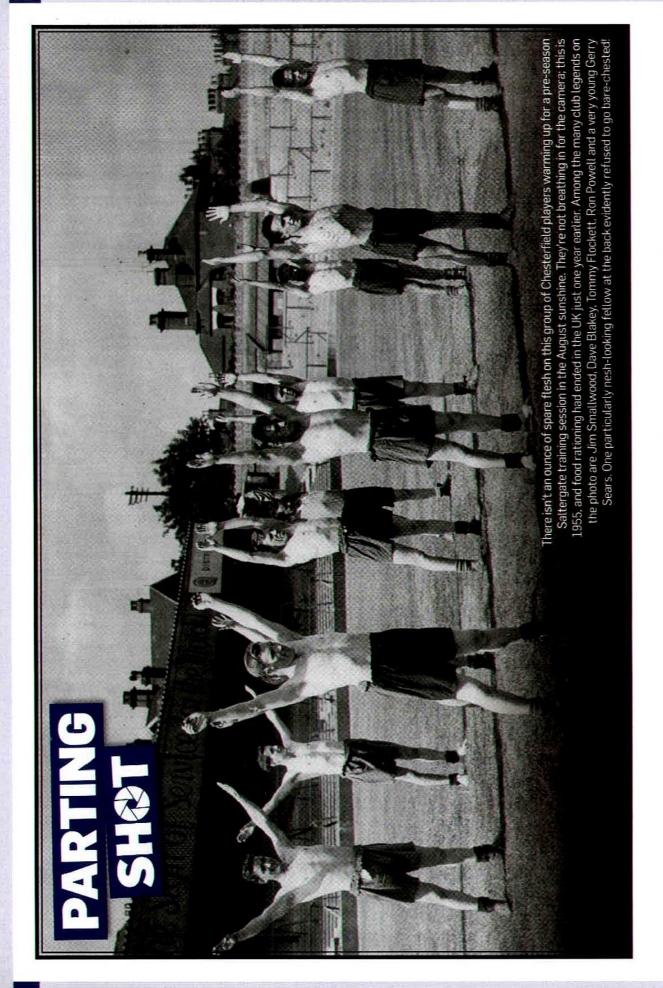






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- Tommy LEE 1 O
- Paul McGINN 2 O
 - Dan JONES 3 O
 - Sam HIRD 4 O
- Gary LIDDLE 5 O
- Ian EVATT 6 O
- Dan GARDNER 7 O
- ANGEL Martinez 8 O
 - Ched EVANS 9 O
- Sylvan EBANKS-BLAKE 10 O
 - Reece MITCHELL 11 O
 - Ryan FULTON 12 O
 - Liam O'NEIL 15 O
 - Charlie RAGLAN 16 O
 - Connor DIMAIO 17 O
 - Jon NOLAN 18 O
 - Dion DONOHUE 19 O
 - Kristian DENNIS 20 O
 - Lloyd ALLINSON 21 O
 - Rai SIMONS 22 O
 - Ritchie HUMPHREYS 25 O
 - Jay O'SHEA 26 O
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 - Jake BEESLEY 29 O
 - Curtis MORRISON 30 O
 - - Derek DALY 31 O
 - Liam GRAHAM 33 O



SWINDON TOWN

HEAD COACH: Luke Williams

- O 1 Lawrence VIGOUROUX
- 2 Nathan THOMPSON
- 3 Brandon ORMONDE-OTTEWILL
- O 4 Conor THOMAS
- O 5 Anton RODGERS
- O 6 Jamie SENDLES-WHITE
- O 8 Yaser KASIM
- O 9 Jonathan OBIKA
- O 10 John GODDARD
- O 11 James BROPHY
- O 12 Will HENRY
- O 14 Ellis IANDOLO
- O 15 Tom SMITH
- O 16 Jordan STEWART
- O 18 Jake EVANS
- O 20 Jordan YOUNG
- O 24 Jermaine HYLTON
- O 27 Bradley BARRY
- O 29 Raphael ROSSI-BRANCO

NEXT UP AT THE PROACT



REFEREE: Carl Boyeson

ASSISTANTS: Chris Isherwood & Marc Wilson

> FOURTH OFFICIAL: Danny Gratton