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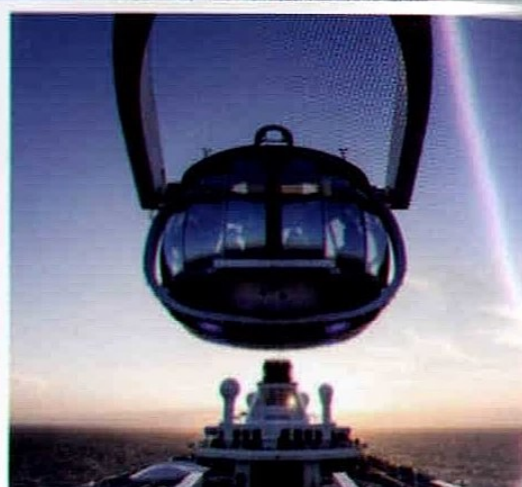
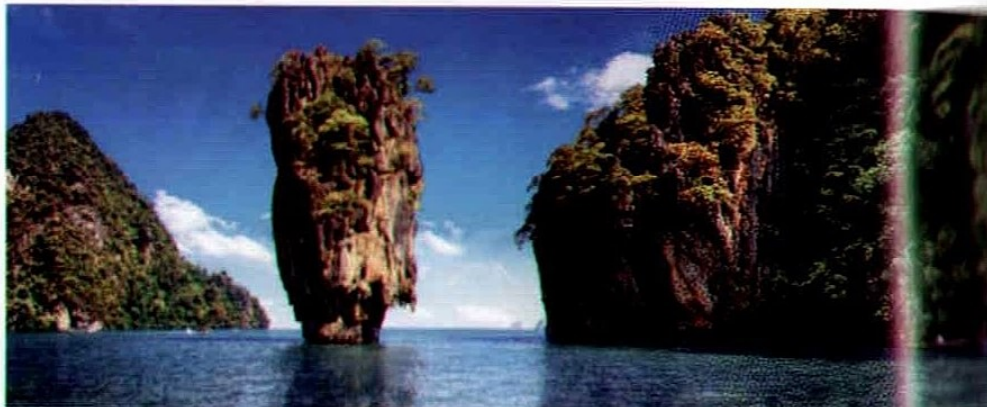
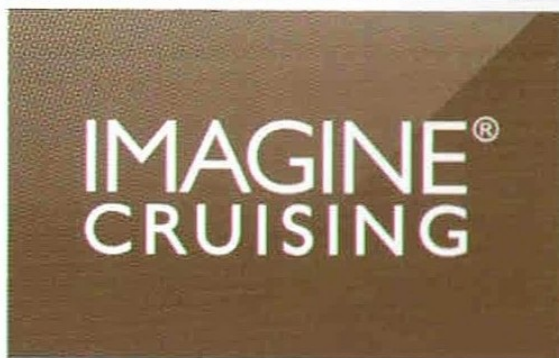
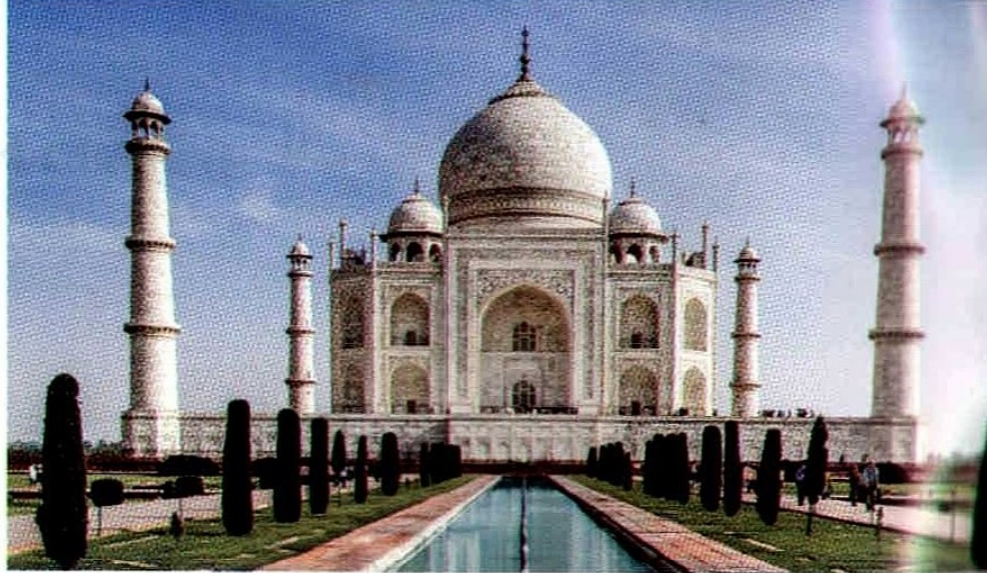




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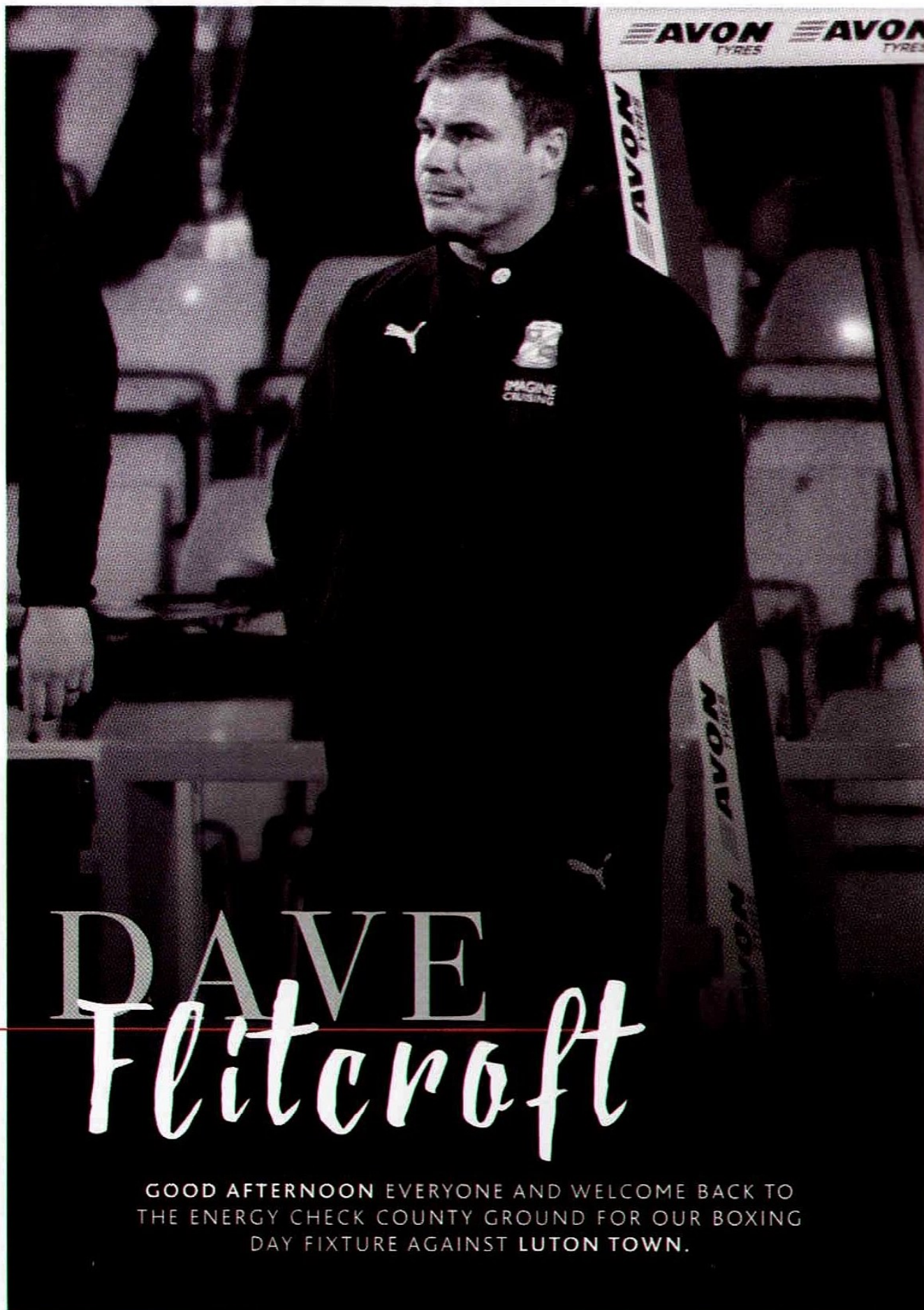


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# DAVE *Flitcroft*

GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE AND WELCOME BACK TO  
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DAY FIXTURE AGAINST LUTON TOWN.



**L**et me begin by extending a warm welcome to Nathan Jones, his staff, players, directors and the fans of Luton to Wiltshire today.

I hope you and your families all enjoyed Christmas and had a brilliant day - it is a very special time of the year and we are all raring to go for today's game now after spending yesterday with our loved ones.

These notes are being written before the game at Crewe but I can promise you that there has been plenty of hard work put in to ensure that we are ready for this busy and important Christmas period. We are well aware of how crucial this period can be and every game is vital, so we will be going into every one prepared and ready to go.

It was therefore disappointing to open the festive period with defeat to Colchester United here a couple of weeks ago. It was criminal to give the goal away right before half-time and that really swung the momentum into their favour going into the second-half. The goals were all basic errors and there was an inquest after to challenge us to turn this around.

I believed we did enough to win the game, we scored two goals at home but we certainly aren't going to win football matches if we concede three goals in the manner we did that night. However, we have to clear our heads now and really get back on it.

Luton are top of the league on merit and they certainly deserve to be where they are with some of the results they have produced. Nathan Jones has done a brilliant job there and we are well aware of the task awaiting us this



afternoon. Luton are where we aspire to be and we must keep putting the work in order to get there.

We of course came out on top the last time we played Luton and we must take encouragement from that performance heading into today's game.

We were superb that afternoon and we have to get back to doing the basics right in order to get back on track.

Enjoy the game today and see you back here in a few days for our fixture against Notts County.

Let's keep driving forward together as one.

DAVE FLITCROFT.

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# FROM THE TOP

Good Afternoon and welcome to The Energy Check County Ground for today's visit of Sky Bet League Two leaders Luton Town. I hope you all had a good Christmas and that continues today with a good performance on the pitch and what would be a huge three points.



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Today's visitors Luton come into the game two points clear of promotion chasing rivals Notts County, although these notes are being written prior to our fixture at Crewe Alexandra. The Hatters have scored twenty-seven goals in all competitions since November and they have an unbeaten record dating back to October 28th. I think we would all agree that these are impressive statistics and our home form will have to improve considerably in order to get a result from this game. Speaking with the manager last week I know that this is something he is desperate to achieve and this has included adjusting home game preparation to mirror what was successful away from home during our seven-game unbeaten run earlier in the season.

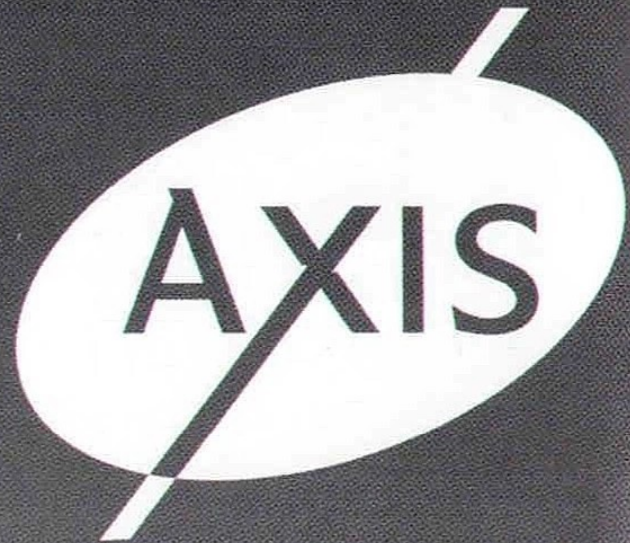
We know we haven't been hugely successful at home this season but please keep getting behind the boys and the manager as we enter a crucial period of the season. The more fans the better the atmosphere for players and supporters alike and your support will be crucial over this Christmas period and heading into the New Year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors for their support this year, in particular Imagine Cruising, Energy Check, CFM, Axis and David M Coe Financial Planning Ltd.

I hope you all enjoy today's game and I look forward to seeing you all back here for the visit of Notts County to SN1 on Saturday - our final game of 2017.

**Steve Anderson,**  
Chief Executive.






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# OLIVER Lancashire



GOOD AFTERNOON AND A WARM WELCOME BACK TO THE ENERGY CHECK COUNTY GROUND FOR OUR BOXING DAY FIXTURE AGAINST LUTON TOWN.



I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas Day and are now looking forward to the game today. Boxing Day is always a good fixture to be involved in and hopefully everyone is in good spirits after having a good day with family and friends. There is a lot of tradition involved in games like this so hopefully there will be a lot of fans in attendance today and it is another big game to enjoy.

The last few weeks have been disappointing so we have been working hard to try and rectify it. You can't ask for a better game than Luton at home and they will bring a lot of fans down given how well they are going this season. We got a good result at their place earlier this season so hopefully we can do that again today.

There is a lot of football to be played and even though we've had a very poor month, we're still up there and we've got a game in hand so we're looking at the positives. There is no point in feeling sorry for ourselves, we've got to pick ourselves up and keep working hard to get back on track. Only a month ago we were seven wins out of eight so we need to get back to that and we're working hard to achieve that.



Luton have been building for a couple of years now and they've got a very good squad, so they will be looking to keep going this season and get promoted. That is the same as us and there will be ups and downs but we will get things right. Luton at home is the perfect opportunity to do that.

Enjoy the game today and here's to three points.

OLLY LANCASHIRE, Captain

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## LUTON TOWN



**The Hatters are flying high at the top of the Sky Bet League Two table and they are certainly the team to beat this season as we approach 2018.**

Managed by talented young coach Nathan Jones, Luton have been almost unstoppable so far this term as they've swept aside all before them to take their place at the summit. The tone was set on the opening day as they cruised to hugely impressive 8-2 victory over Yeovil Town, while they have put seven past Cambridge United and Stevenage and four past Exeter City.

Luton boast a squad packed to the brim with experience and quality and their efforts this season have been spearheaded by Danny Hylton, who leads the league in scoring with thirteen goals. The frontman is a proven performer at

this level and his current fine form will be crucial to the Hatters' hopes of clinching promotion come May.

Town also have plenty of talent in other areas too with the likes of James Collins, Alan McCormack and Alan Sheehan amongst their ranks - all well known to Swindon fans of course. Marek Stech is arguably one of the best goalkeepers in the division and Scott Cuthbert forms part of a stingy defence. Olly Lee and Luke Berry provide plenty of style in the middle of the part and there is plenty of strength in depth too.

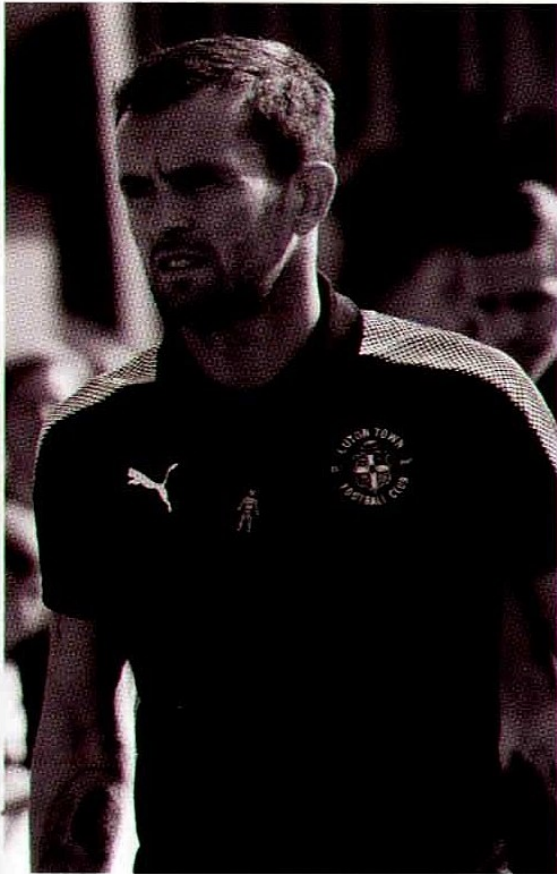
However, Dave Flitcroft's side got the better of Luton when they met earlier this season with goals from Luke Norris, Chris Hussey and Paul Mullin sealing a comfortable 3-0 victory for the Reds at Kenilworth Road.

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**DESPITE HAVING TO GO THROUGH A NUMBER OF DIFFICULT PERIODS OFF THE FIELD DUE TO FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, LUTON TOWN HAVE WON SEVERAL TROPHIES SINCE 2007 AND THEY LOOK A GOOD BET TO ADD TO THAT TALLY THIS SEASON.**







## HEAD COACH

### NATHAN JONES

Jones was appointed as John Still's successor as the new Manager of Luton Town in January 2016.

A former coach and assistant-manager at Brighton & Hove Albion, Charlton Athletic and Yeovil Town, he was a player at Kenilworth Road in 1995 but left without making an appearance. Jones spent a year in Spain before returning to the UK and playing for Southend, Brighton and Yeovil, making over 500 appearances.

The 44-year-old began his coaching qualifications while still a player with Yeovil, initially coaching the Ladies team, and achieved his UEFA Pro-Licence in 2014. In March 2016 Jones signed a new three-and-a-half year contract with the Hatters to tie him to the club until 2020.

His first full season in the hot-seat ended with a fourth-placed finish and qualification for the League Two play-offs. Jones passed 100 games in charge of the Hatters in October 2017 – the same month in which he picked up his first Sky Bet League Two Manager of the Month award.

Jones has forged an exciting side at Kenilworth Road with his team flying high at the top of League Two this term after producing some scintillating displays, putting eight goals past Yeovil and seven past Cambridge United. With an array of lower-league stars at his disposal, Jones looks a good bet to finally be the man to lead Luton back to the third tier of English football.

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# PLAYER PROFILES



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## MAREK STECH

A Czech Republic international – winning one cap in 2014 – the 27-year-old joined the Hatters in June 2017 from Sparta Prague. He started his career in his home country as a schoolboy with Sparta, before joining West Ham United at 16 and gaining experience on loan with clubs including Wycombe Wanderers and Yeovil Town. The 6ft 5ins stopper earned cult hero status in Somerset after signing permanently in 2012, helping the Glovers to promotion to the Championship for the first time in the club's history before leaving following their immediate relegation in the summer of 2014 to play in the Europa League with Sparta. Also has 12 Under-21 caps to his name.



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## ALAN SHEEHAN

Cultured defender Sheehan, and another ex-Town player on the books of Luton, joined the Hatters on loan from Bradford City in January 2016, becoming Nathan Jones' first signing after taking over as manager. The Irishman made 20 appearances and captained the team for the final seven matches of 2015-16 after Scott Cuthbert suffered a season-ending injury. The left-footer can operate at either full-back or in central defence, and has made over 300 appearances in his career so far with the majority coming during two spells with Notts County. Sheehan also counts Leeds United and Swindon Town among his former employers, as well as loans with Mansfield, Crewe, Oldham and Peterborough United, after starting out at Leicester City. He signed a permanent deal with the Town in May 2016 and made 41 appearances in his first full season, including his 50th in a Luton shirt in a 0-0 draw at Carlisle. He has four goals to his name for Luton, including three stunning free-kicks that were all nominated for 2016-17 goal of the season.



03

## DAN POTTS

Potts is predominantly a left-back whose aerial ability also makes him an option at centre-half. The 23-year-old joined the Hatters in the summer of 2015 from West Ham United, where he made 13 appearances after being handed his debut in a Championship win over Barnsley in December 2011. Whilst with the Hammers he also represented the USA at Under-20 level in 2011, before being selected for England at Under-18, 19 and 20s level. Potts gained valuable Football League experience on loan at Colchester and Portsmouth before agreeing a two-year deal with the Town. After making 44 appearances in his first two seasons with the Hatters, he signed a new one-year deal in the summer of 2017 and started the new campaign in fine style, netting five times by mid-November after only opening his account for the club in play-off semi-final at Blackpool the previous May.

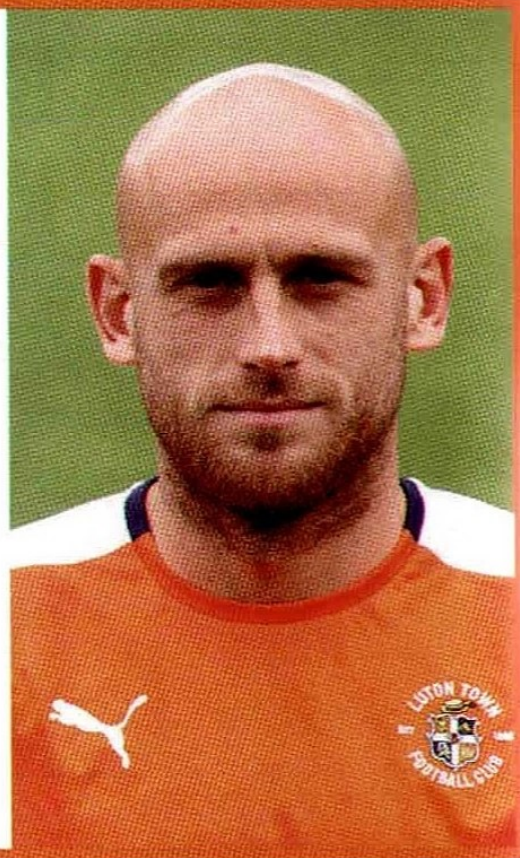




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**SCOTT CUTHBERT**

Capable of playing at either centre-half or right-back, Cuthbert signed for the Hatters in the summer of 2015 having spent two years at Leyton Orient. He helped the O's reach the League One Play-Off Final the season before last, and prior to that his influential performances enabled Swindon to do the same. He has been capped at B level for Scotland and came through the youth ranks at Celtic, before moving south of the border to SN1. Made 40 appearances in his first season at Kenilworth Road, and took over the captaincy when Steve McNulty left for Tranmere in October 2015. The club captain activated a clause in his contract to extend his stay at Kenilworth Road until the summer of 2018 after making his 50th start against Carlisle United in December 2016.

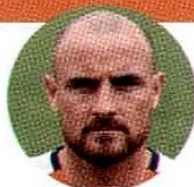


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**JACK STACEY**

A Reading youth product, the 21-year-old – who can operate at right back and in midfield – played six times for the Royals in the Championship. Between 2015 and 2017, he had three loan spells, with Barnet, Carlisle United and Exeter City, but really found his feet with the Grecians last term. A full season at St James Park saw him flourish as he made 38 appearances as well as scoring a fantastic late winner in Paul Tisdale's side's 6-5 aggregate win over the Cumbrians in the League Two Play-Off Semi-Final. He then started in the Wembley final, which they lost 2-1 to Blackpool. Joined the Hatters on a two-year contract after Town agreed terms with the Madejski Stadium outfit.

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**ALAN McCORMACK**

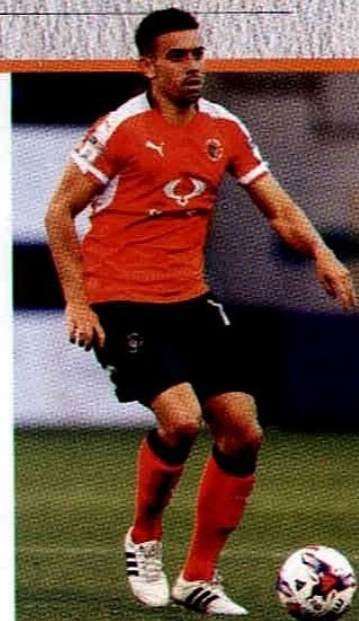
The 33-year-old defensive midfielder joined the Hatters officially on 1st July 2017, after his contract expired with Sky Bet Championship side Brentford. With a number of promotions to his name, including from League Two with Swindon Town and League One with the Bees, McCormack's arrival was a signal of intent for what Nathan Jones aims to achieve in the 2017/18 season. The Irishman has proven his versatility over the years with the likes of Southend and Charlton, playing in both midfield and at right-back while amassing over 450 career appearances before signing for the Hatters.



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**OLLY LEE**

Central midfielder Lee joined the club on an initial short-term deal in August 2015, before quickly earning a contract to 2017 which was then extended to the summer of 2018 at the end of an impressive first campaign with the Hatters. Like his brother – Town striker Elliot – Olly started on the books of West Ham. He had two loan spells at Dagenham & Redbridge under former Hatters boss John Still, who brought him to Kenilworth Road, and one at Gillingham before signing for Barnet for 2012-13. He joined Birmingham City before the season was out, but was released by the Championship side in 2015 after a spell on loan in League Two with Plymouth. By the end of 2016-17, Lee had made 80 appearances in a Town shirt, scoring four times. Lee made the headlines in November 2017 with his 70-yard strike in the 7-0 win over Cambridge.



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**LUKE BERRY**

The midfielder joined the Town on a three-year deal for an undisclosed fee from Sky Bet League Two rivals Cambridge United in August 2017.

One of the top scoring midfielders in the division in recent seasons, the 25-year-old netted 22 times in 2016-17 for the club with whom he started his career.

Berry made his professional debut in 2010 and went on to play 135 times for the Cambs Glass Stadium outfit before departing for then-League One side Barnsley in 2014.

After one season with the Tykes, he returned to Cambridge, where he made a further 105 times – scoring 35 goals – before becoming Nathan Jones' tenth signing of the summer transfer window.



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**DANNY HYLTON**

Arguably Luton's star man so far this season, the London-born forward joined Town last summer alongside Oxford United team-mate Johnny Mullins, after the pair had helped the U's to promotion to League One and the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final. Hylton started his career with Aldershot Town, where he made over 200 appearances in the Conference and League Two before joining Rotherham United in 2013. He played just one game for the then-League One club, however, and was loaned out to Bury and AFC Wimbledon prior to his move to Oxford two years ago. While at the Kassam Stadium Hylton hit 30 goals in 84 starts, but turned down the offer of a new contract in order to pen a two-year deal at Kenilworth Road. The club's top scorer last season with 27 goals, having passed his previous season's best tally of 16 in January, Hylton came in the top three shortlisted for the EFL League Two Player of the Year award as voted by managers in the division, and was also named in the PFA Team of the Season for the division and won four club Player of the Year accolades in a memorable campaign. Has thirteen goals to his name so far this term.



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**JAMES COLLINS**

Having netted over 100 career goals – most of which have come in the fourth tier – Collins adds even more firepower to the Town frontline, after signing in June 2017 for an undisclosed fee from Crawley Town on a three-year contract. Since leaving Aston Villa, the 26-year-old pursued a career in the lower leagues, going onto score regularly for the likes of Shrewsbury Town, Swindon Town and the Red Devils. A season in the Scottish Premiership with Hibernian didn't prove as fruitful as planned in the 2013-14 season, but he netted 54 goals upon his return to England before signing for Luton, including 22 last term for Crawley. The Coventry-born former Republic of Ireland U21 international has won promotion three times from League Two; twice with Shrewsbury and once during his loan at Northampton Town in 2016.





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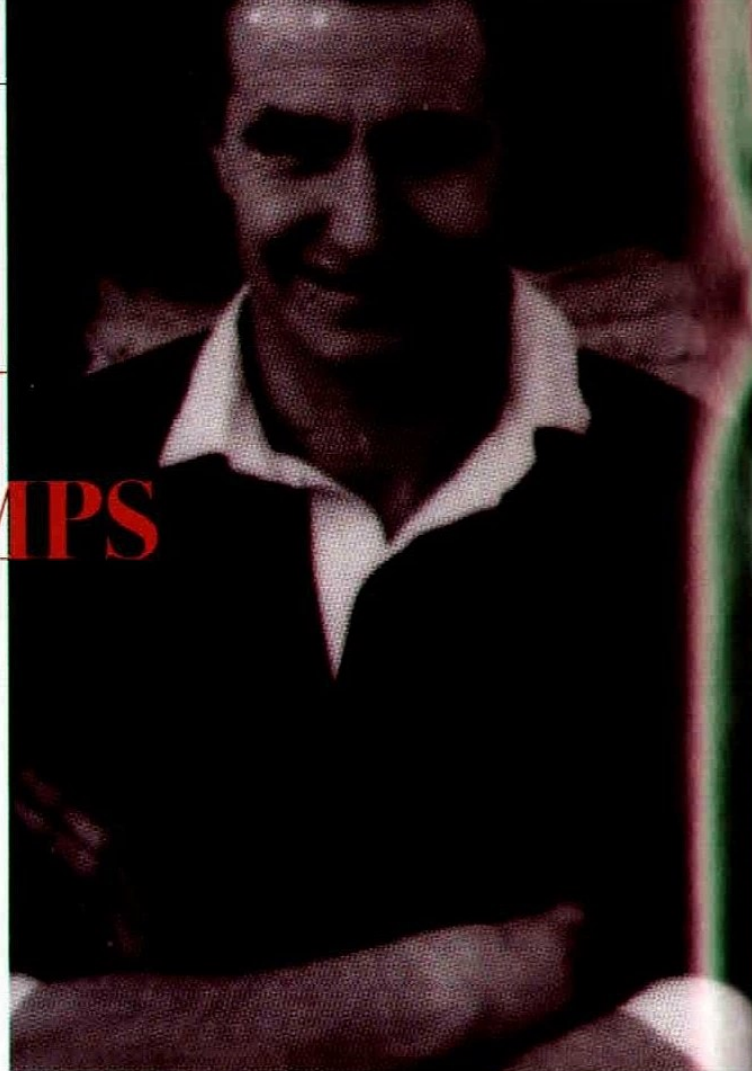


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# A BOOT IN BOTH CAMPS

11 PLAYERS WHO HAVE SERVED **BOTH CLUBS**



**JAKE FINDLAY**

After six years as a pro at Villa and seven with Luton, Jake lasted just seven weeks at the County Ground ! While at Kenilworth Road, he had helped the Hatters achieve promotion to the top tier in 1982. Lou Macari signed him in readiness for Town's fourth season in the basement division, but Jake soon fell foul of his fellow Scot's strict disciplinary code at the club and he was released after 52 days. Ken Allen was brought in to replace him. STFC 6 apps / LTFC 187



**CHRIS KAMARA**

Signed from Portsmouth at 19 by Danny Williams, Chris scored within fifteen minutes of his League debut for Town - on his way to an 11-goal tally in 1977/78. He returned to Fratton Park in 1981 but was brought back by Lou Macari in 1985. Injuries restricted his appearances in the Fourth Division title-winning campaign that followed but he was a key figure in the 1986/87 promotion season. Chris joined Luton in the top flight in November 1991. STFC 298 apps / LTFC 54



**ADI WHITBREAD**

Adi was brought to the County Ground by John Gorman at the end of July 1993 to replace the recently departed Colin Calderwood. But, with no previous experience in the top two divisions, Adi and his partner in central defence Shaun Taylor struggled to adjust to the Premiership. A year later, Adi went to West Ham in exchange for Joey Beauchamp. He was loaned from Portsmouth by new Luton boss Lil Fuccillo in November 2000, staying there two months. STFC 38 apps / LTFC 13

**BERNIE HARRIS**

Bernie had made over forty top flight appearances for his home town club Sheffield United before joining Luton in October 1928. All his appearances there were at left-back, his last being in a 5-3 win over Swindon in March 1929. Bernie then signed for Queens Park Rangers, but had played for Southern League Llanelli for a season before arriving at the County Ground in June 1933. Most of his appearances here were at right-back. STFC 29 apps / LTFC 24



**SOL DAVIS**

Cheltenham-born Sol joined Swindon at 15, playing in the last five games of 1997/98 while still a trainee. Tenacious, but sometimes over-zealous with his challenges, Sol picked up almost forty cautions during his senior career at Swindon - 14 coming in 2000/01 alone. At the end of the following season he refused terms and signed for the Hatters six days into 2002/03. Sol suffered a stroke in October 2006, but made a full recovery after two months out of the game. STFC 131 apps / LTFC 228







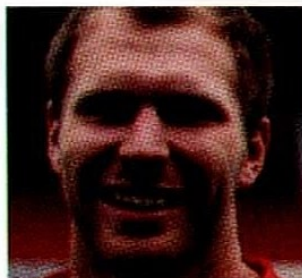
### RICHARD DRYDEN

Stroud-born Richard had been at Southampton for four years when he arrived at the County Ground on loan in November 2000. His Town career could not have got off to a worse start when he headed into his own net just eight minutes into what would be a 0-3 home loss against Stoke - a club where had also been on loan earlier that year. Richard signed for Swindon's relegation rivals Luton three months later, but they failed to avoid the drop. STFC 8 apps / LTFC 26



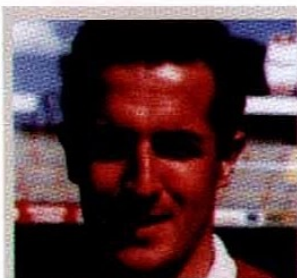
### JIMMY COUPAR

Inside-forward Jimmy joined Southern League Luton in 1895 and missed just two games in two seasons before the Hatters were elected to the Football League. He came to Swindon in 1898, no doubt persuaded to return to the Southern League by his fellow Dundonian Jimmy Munro, who was club captain. Coupar scored twice on his debut but managed only ten more in two seasons. He took a year out of the game in 1900/01, continuing to live in Swindon while working as a GWR engine fitter! STFC 63 apps / LTFC 80



### SAM PARKIN

Sam's debut hat-trick against Barnsley in August 2002 soon earned him the 'Super Sammy' tag that stuck as he notched 73 goals in his three seasons at the County Ground, helping to guide Town into the play-offs in 2004. Sam spent a similar period at Luton, but injury restricted his appearances and he registered only ten goals while at Kenilworth Road. Prior to his move there, he had been out for five months with a broken ankle while with Ipswich. STFC 142 apps / LTFC 56



### STEVE WHITE

Steve signed for both Luton and Swindon following stints at Bristol Rovers and additionally had a one-month loan spell at Kenilworth Road early in 1983. He spent two years at Eastville prior to his first move to the Hatters and three before joining Lou Macari's Town side. In eight years at the County Ground free transfer signing 'Chalkie' netted 111 goals, with over 20 in both 1986/87 and 1989/90 - and he won the penalty that led to Town's promotion to the Premiership. STFC 312 apps / LTFC 83



### DAVID MOSS

A former Tottenham schoolboy, David was signed from his home-town club Witney at 17, in 1969. A pacey winger with a good scoring record - 81 goals for Town and 94 for the Hatters - he progressed to the first team at the end of 1971/72. After hitting 21 in successive seasons at the County Ground, David left for Luton in May 1978, winning promotion to the top flight there in 1982. He made a return to Swindon in 1985 but an Achilles injury kept it a brief one. STFC 274 apps / LTFC 245

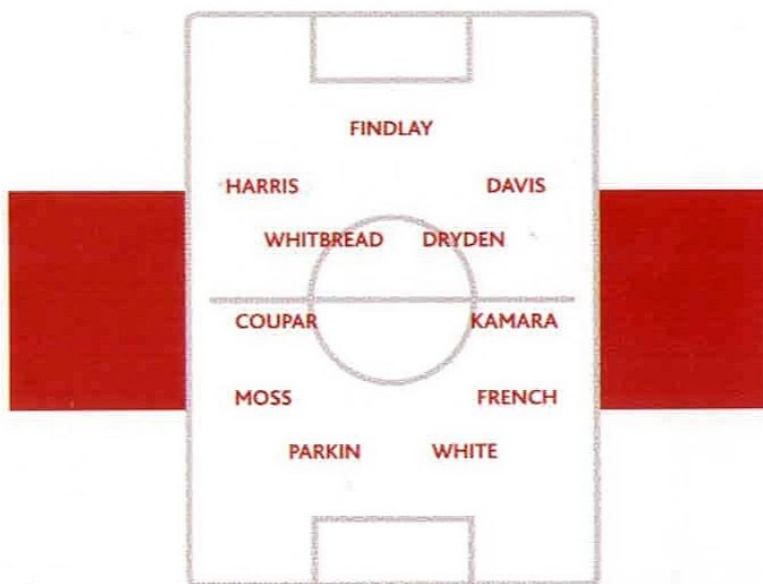


### GRAHAM FRENCH

Signed in 1963 by Bert Head for a then substantial fee for an 18 year-old, £10,500, Graham failed to make the same impact as another winger of the same age but who cost nothing - Don Rogers. Within months of leaving the County Ground for Watford the following year, Graham had drifted into Southern League football. But Luton signed him in 1965 and he had made close to 200 appearances when his career was put on hold after he was jailed following a shooting incident. STFC 7 apps / LTFC 202



STEVE WHITE was on the move 38 years ago this week, signing for Luton on Christmas Eve in 1979. Pictured with his new manager David Pleat, Steve came on as a substitute against Town a fortnight later in an F.A. Cup Third Round tie at Kenilworth Road - which the visitors won 2-0.



### OTHERS WHO SERVED BOTH CLUBS (EXCLUDING CURRENT STAFF):

Paul Allen, Calvin Andrew, Paul Benson, Bob Colvin, Mark Crook, Bertie Davies, Kevin Dearden, Fred Dent, David Geddis, Willie Harber, Sammy Igoe, Yaser Kasim, Harry Keeling, Dan Kirkwood, Des Linton, Tommy Little, Ray Middleton, Mike O'Hara, David Preece, Chris Ramsey, Luke Rooney, Jonathan Smith, Norman Thomson, Tony Thorpe, Chris Turner, Gary Waddock, Kevin Watson, Bobby Weale, Roy Wegerle, Martin Williams.



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We still have a small number of advertising and branding opportunities for any business large or small who would like more information on how they can promote their brand and services here. Please do not hesitate to get in touch. Please also look out for some great offers in the January window. New for this season we are also on the lookout for sponsors who would like to align themselves and support our Academy here at SN1. If this is a partnership that interests you then we

would very much like to hear from you to arrange a meeting.

Following on from my last set of notes, our partnership and sponsorship activation continues to gather pace with a number of our mainline sponsors. The Superfast Scorer half-time competition has been very well received and I know Relish Broadband, who sponsor this, have been very impressed with the volume of traffic through their social media platforms when promoting this. We have also received lots of positive feedback from supporters who have enjoyed the entertainment. I believe that following the last instalment a red card may be introduced to curb Rockin' Robin's over zealous tackling! Many congratulations to the last Superfast Scorer, Daniel Scanlon who did it in eight point eight seconds.

Mascot experiences continue to sell extremely well but there is still good availability for our fixtures from Crewe Alexandra onwards. It really is a special day out which includes a number of fantastic benefits and great value for money, so treat that younger Town fan in your

life to a day they will always remember.

On to today and we welcome PrePay Solutions as our Match Sponsor. The team at PrePay, led by Ray Brash, sponsor six games per season which is outstanding support. Thank you very much and we hope you will have a great afternoon in the comforts of the Imagine Cruising Suite. On to our Matchball Sponsors who need very little introduction, The Energy Check who have supported us fantastically well in this their first season as Stadium Naming Rights Partner. We hope you enjoy your day with us and please once again can we encourage all supporters to use the Energy Check when switching their domestic energy online. Finally, we welcome six mascots in to the Suite this afternoon. We hope Father Christmas was kind to you yesterday and that all three points today was also high up on your wish-list to santa.

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# IN- DEPTH WITH...

Ben, results have taken a turn for the worse in recent weeks but is it just a case of putting the hard work in on the training ground and the form will pick back up again?

It is funny because I spoke to people prior to the Grimsby game and I felt like we probably weren't going to lose another game for the rest of the season. We were in great form, we were getting goals from all over the pitch and defensively we looked solid but then, for whatever reason, we had a set-back against Grimsby and we seem to have lost our way a little bit. I take what you say about keep doing what we are doing but also we've got to address any issues and the main problem areas. We do that, we look at the videos and we'll look at where we've gone wrong, we'll look at what we are perhaps not doing as well as we were three weeks ago and we'll take it from there.

Our last outing here, the 3-2 defeat to Colchester United, probably summed up recent frustrations in terms of the way that game went didn't it?

It was a frustrating game. On a personal level I was struggling with an injury throughout the first-half so it was frustrating on that level and it was also frustrating because I didn't feel like Colchester particularly dominated the game, they didn't have a hatful of



## 17/18 STATS...

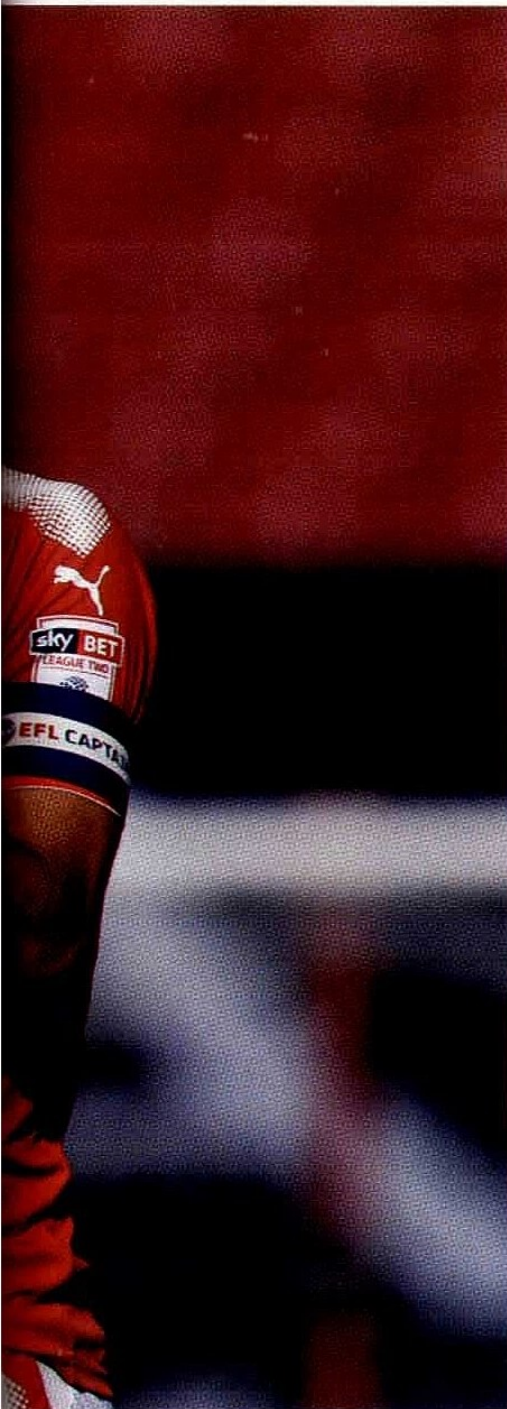
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MINUTES PLAYED ----- 1,843

FOULS WON --- 14





chances but what seems to be happening is that when teams do have chances they seem to be good opportunities and other teams are clinical. There wasn't much in the game, there wasn't much between the two teams and it is really how you perform in both boxes. That makes the difference.

Looking at the positives, with League Two being as tight as it is a few wins on the bounce will take us right back up there again, so it is important to focus on that isn't it?

We were at a point where we were grinding out the victories and we were putting points on the board. You come in every week and there are always shock results - anyone can beat anyone really. The league is tight and all it takes is to string a run of results together. That being said, stringing together a run of results isn't easy so you've got to really focus on each and every game, respect the opposition and make sure we apply ourselves in every single game and hopefully we will pick up some points over the Christmas period.

The home form is obviously something that has been talked about a lot, is it getting that balance right though between obviously putting the work in to rectify it but also not putting too much emphasis and pressure on the situation?

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## SOME FACTS...

SQUAD	POSITION	AGE	CLUBS REPRESENTED
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NUMBER	RIGHT-BACK		



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You don't want to make too much out of things and you don't want to create problems when they are possibly not there, but then you don't want to ignore things and be blind to things. We've spoken a lot as a team about the home form and it is possibly a case of needing to remove that fear element, not just necessarily home games or away games but just playing with an instinct and a freedom. If you look at the results that Everton have picked up under Sam Allardyce recently, it is almost like they've gone back to what makes them good footballers and they are playing with that freedom now. They are playing instinctively and that is what we need to get to. We can't get bogged down with what has gone previously because there isn't much you can do about that, other than learn from it.

**We're at the halfway point of the season now and you've been a virtual ever-present in the league, so how have you rated your form on a personal basis?**

If I'm being honest over the first eighteen games I was really pleased and I felt like I performed consistently and I did really well. However, I've maybe had a couple of issues in terms of injuries and just general wear and tear over the past couple of weeks and that has probably set me back a tiny little bit, but I'll always put my hand up, I'll always get out there to help the team if I believe I can do a job and I believe I've got the experience and knowledge of this league and the one above to manage games. I'm hoping over the Christmas period to get things sorted and really hit the ground running.

**It has also been a busy time for you off the field recently due to your new role as Chairman of The PFA. Does having that focus off the field help you on it too?**

Massively so. It has been an interesting period over the last month or so for me personally. I am really enjoying the role and I hope it helps to aid my focus and help my performances. I want to get back to my form I had at the start of the season.

**We are coming to the New Year where everyone seems to set resolutions but, for you, will you set any targets going into 2018?**





I haven't really set personal targets this season - it is more about looking at the team and looking at the collective. We have a goal as a team, we're falling a little bit underneath that at the moment and my job is how I can help the team, how I can support the team whether that is by helping getting clean sheets, trying to drive forward and putting attackers in better positions to score or deliver and go one-v-one against people. I have no personal targets like appearances and things like that, I just really look at it from a team point of view with the focus on getting this club back a little bit closer to where it belongs.

Luton are the visitors today, they are flying at the moment and are top of the table on merit, but can we take encouragement from our display at

their place earlier in the season going into this afternoon?

You've got to take a few things, one is encouragement, conversely if I was in their camp I would be thinking that 'hang on a minute, they beat us 3-0 at our place earlier in the season' so they will know what we are about, they will be aware of the threat that we pose and they will be aware that we are a decent outfit and we are able to compete and outplay them. We are expecting a really tough game, a really tough challenge but we need to impose ourselves on the game like we did at their place earlier in the season. Throughout the season when we've been challenged, when we've been away at some of the top teams, that's when some of our best performances have come out. Hopefully that is something we'll be looking at today.



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We need to go and get three points tonight. Colchester will be at it, like most teams are when they come here, but we need to make sure that we change our home form and we make this place a fortress, starting tonight.”



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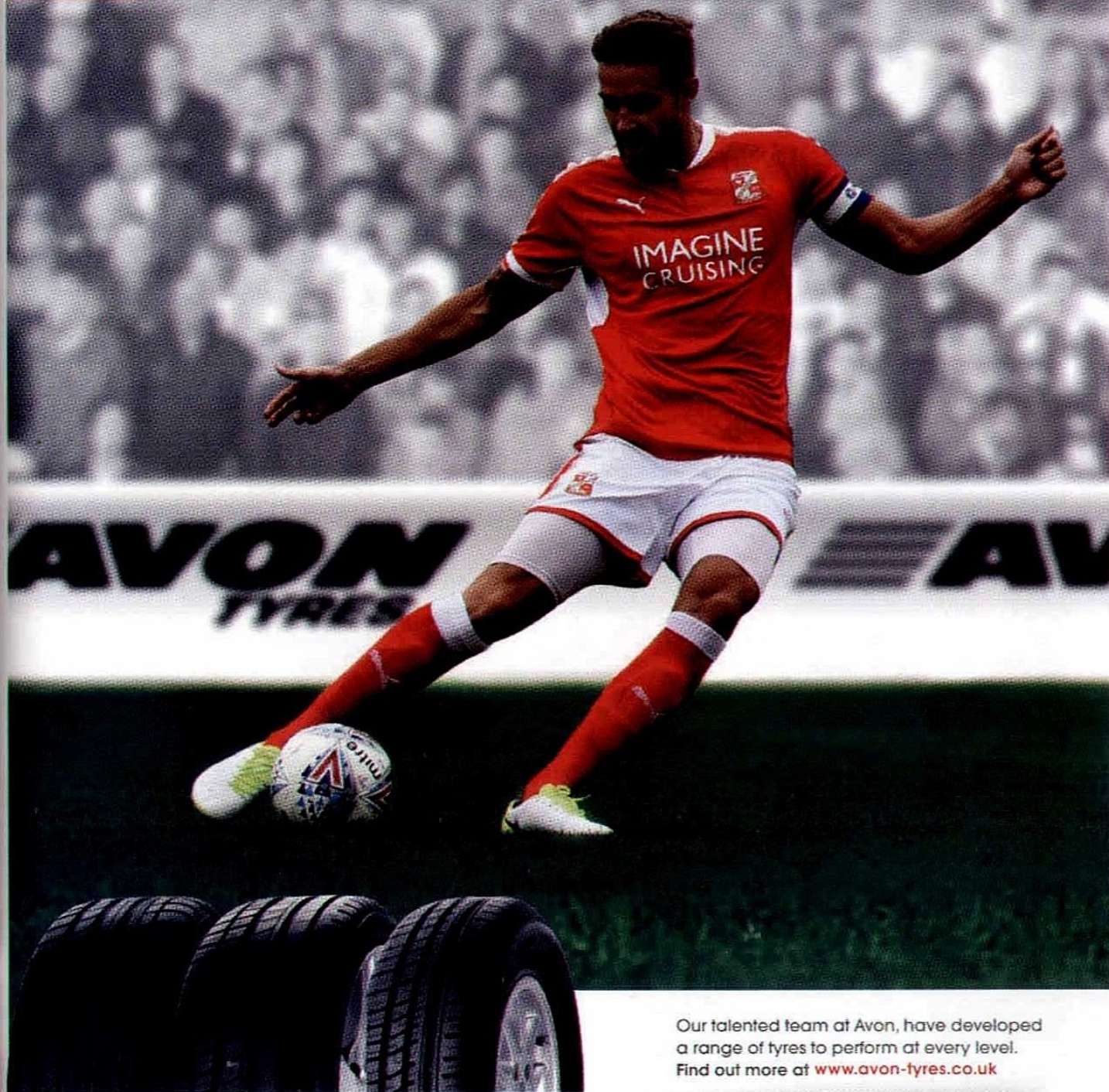
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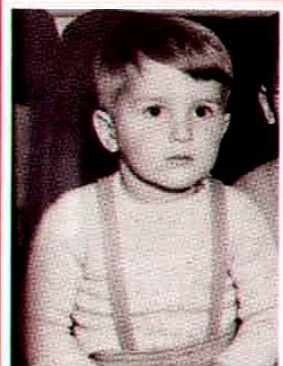
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# Message Board



## HAPPY 60TH BIRTHDAY ANDREW

Andrew Eatwell is celebrating his 60th birthday in the Imagine Cruising Suite today. He has been watching Swindon for 50 years, first coming to watch the Town with his Dad. His favourite player of all time is (Ooh) Shaun Taylor. Happy Birthday Dad!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CIARAN BIZLEY

who is 15 years old, and has travelled all the way from OZ to be with his Family over this Christmas period, and to watch the Town (hopefully win today!) against Luton Town. Many Happy returns for the day!



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy belated 10th Birthday to Ethan Manning (was 10 on the 16th December). Ethan is enjoying a day out for today's fixture in the Robins Suite with his family. Have a great day with us.



# TODAY'S Mascots...



## ZOE HEDGES

Age 8

**School:** Widmer End School (in Hazlemere, High Wycombe)

**Teams Played For:** Doesn't currently play football but enjoys coming to watch Swindon with her Dad, Uncle and Grandad who arranged this for her. Has played in her school basketball team, enjoys having a kick around in the back garden with her Dad and loves to play 'curbies' down the road.

**Hobbies/Likes:** Arts and crafts, reading, playing games with friends and family (like Uno) and playing at the park.

**Favourite Town Player:**

Laurence Vigouroux as her grandad sponsors him!



## JAKE HEDGES

Age 6

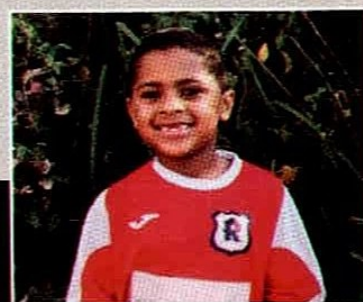
**School:** Widmer End School (in Hazlemere, High Wycombe)

**Teams Played For:** None yet, but is looking forward to joining one as he gets older. Also enjoys coming to watch Swindon with his Dad, Uncle and Grandad.

**Hobbies/Likes:** Football, Wrestling, computer games and eating Nando's and Chinese!

**Favourite Town Player:**

also Laurence Vigouroux but because his Dad used to be a goalkeeper so he thinks that's the best position to play!



## TIMON NOWOGRODSKI

Age: 6

**School:** LAWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Teams Played For:** ROBINS under 7's

**Hobbies/Likes:** Football, Match Attax Cards, WWE Wrestling

**Favourite Town Player:**

James Brophy



## AIDEN HUTCHINGS

Age 6

**School:** Wanborough Primary School

**Teams Played For:** Wanborough Wasps

**Hobbies/Likes:** Football, Tennis and Lego

**Favourite Town Player:**

Luke Norris & Will Henry



## CALLUM BREWER

Age: 7 (Callum's birthday is on the 26th December)

**School:** Haydonleigh Primary School

**Teams Played For:** Swindon Town Academy U7 and Greenmeadow Youth FC U7

**Hobbies/Likes:** Football

**Favourite Town Player:**

Luke Norris



## STANLEY ASTWOOD

Age: 8

**School:** Noremars Junior School

**Teams Played For:** Wimms 11 Storm U8

**Hobbies/Likes:** Football & Tennis

**Favourite Town Player:**

Kellan Gordon

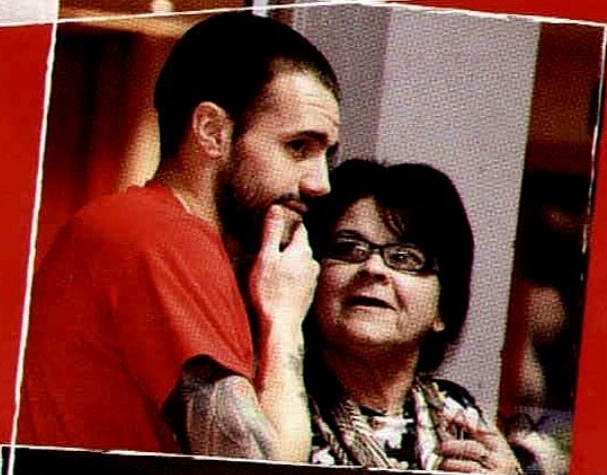


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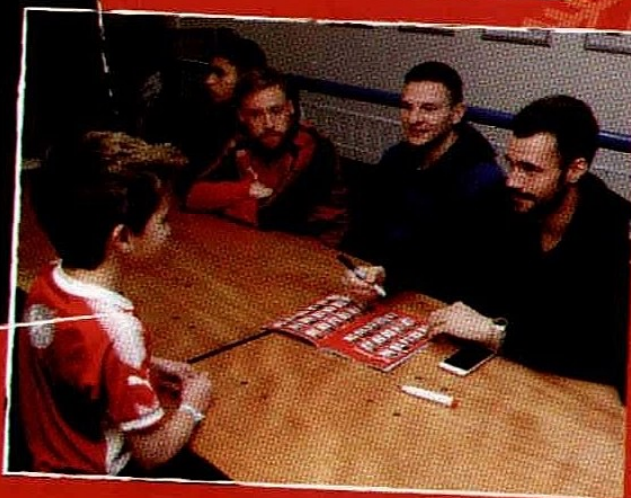
## GALLERY



Senior Citizens Lunch & Junior Reds Xmas Party held at the Better Link Centre.  
The STFC First-Team squad have been busy spreading the festive cheer in the community over the last couple of weeks - here are a selection of snaps from their visits!









# Reads

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# Wordsearch

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- ☐ LUTON
- ☐ TOWN



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# Supporters CLUB

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Good afternoon and welcome to the County Ground to all Swindon Town Supporters.



We also extend a warm welcome to the management, players and supporters from Luton who have made the journey to the game today.

We hope you have had a lovely Christmas so far, and that Father Christmas brought you all you were hoping for! There are one or two more things we are still hoping for - that is three points today, three people to fill up the vacant places on our Committee and a few more willing people to sell our 50/50 half-time draw tickets.

As you will have noticed our prize money has gone down, slipping below £300 for the first time for many, many years for the Colchester game. This was due to having only three sellers that evening. They do a great job but with your help we could get the prize fund growing again. As I have mentioned before, you don't have to do every game - just an hour or so when you can manage it. It would help so much to boost our funds.

Don't forget you can follow the Supporters Club on Facebook and Twitter - so if you miss the winning numbers for the 50/50 half-time draw you can always find them on social media within twenty four hours!

Mike Dew has recently left our Committee. We thank him for all his time as a Committee member and wish him well for the future.

**ANN ALDER, Chairperson**



## 50/50 HALF-TIME DRAW WINNERS FROM THE COLCHESTER GAME

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Brad Carter	50p
Mavis & Pete Knight	50p
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Keith Smith	£1
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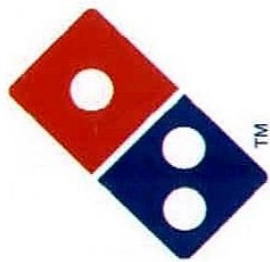


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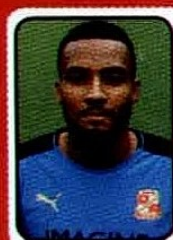
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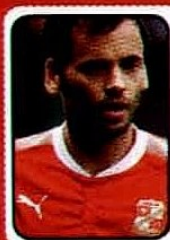
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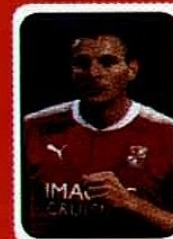
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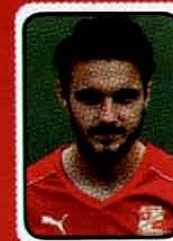
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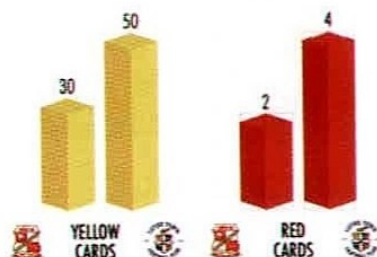
  
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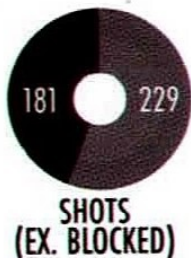
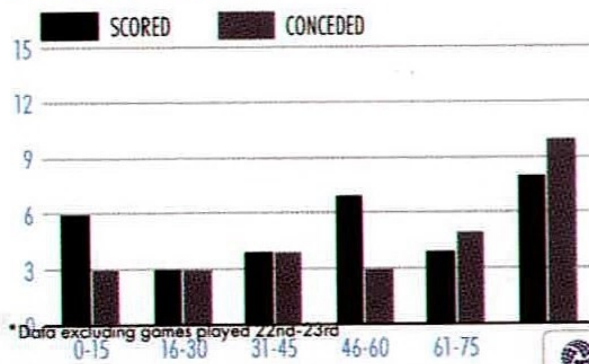
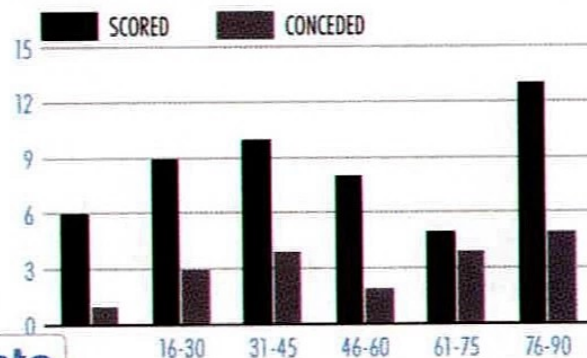


2017-18 **STAT PACK****sky BET**  
LEAGUE TWO**SWINDON TOWN****V****LUTON TOWN****MATCH FACTS**

Swindon have won each of their last three Football League matches against Luton and ended the Hatters' seven match home unbeaten run in League Two with a 3-0 away victory back on match day six of this season

**MATCH FACTS**

Luton's last Football League victory on Boxing Day came against Chesterfield (1-0) back in 2004; Since then, the Hatters have lost four and drawn three of the EFL matches they have played on December 26th.

**GOAL TIMES****GOAL TIMES**



2017-18 **STAT PACK****LEAGUE TWO TOP FIVES****GOALS**

1	HYLTON	13
2	DENNIS	11
3	DOIDGE	11
4	GRANT	11
5	ADEBAYO AKI...	10

**ASSISTS**

1	COOPER	9
2	ADEBAYO AKI...	6
3	TAYLOR	6
4	WRIGHT	6
5	CAMPBELL-RYCE	5

**SHOTS ON TARGET**

1	EISA	31
2	UCHE IKPEAZU	30
3	DENNIS	28
4	HYLTON	27
5	ADEBAYO AKI...	26

**MINUTES PER GOAL**

1	HYLTON	135
2	SZMODICS	136
3	DENNIS	149
4	GRANT	152
5	NORRIS	153

**% OF GOALS INVOLVED IN**

1	DOIDGE	57
2	POPE	57
3	DENNIS	52
4	KEE	47
5	COULTHIRST	46

**MINUTES PER CHANCE CREATED**

1	REID	138
2	SHINNIE	173
3	COOPER	191
4	TAYLOR	214
5	MCALINDEN	234

**FOULS**

1	UCHE IKPEAZU	63
2	ADEBAYO AKI...	55
3	POPE	52
4	MANDRON	51
5	NEWTON	48

**MINUTES PER GOAL CONCEDED**

1	KRYSIAK	50
2	ANYON	51
3	COLLINS	51
4	RICHARDS	53
5	ROSS	56

**LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT**

Port Vale's Tom Pope has scored three goals in his six league appearances against Coventry, including last season when he netted for Bury against the Sky Blues.

\*Data excluding games played 22nd-23rd

**LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT**

Including a hat-trick against Colchester last season, Crawley's Jimmy Smith has bagged seven goals in league games with the U's - four more goals than against any other club.

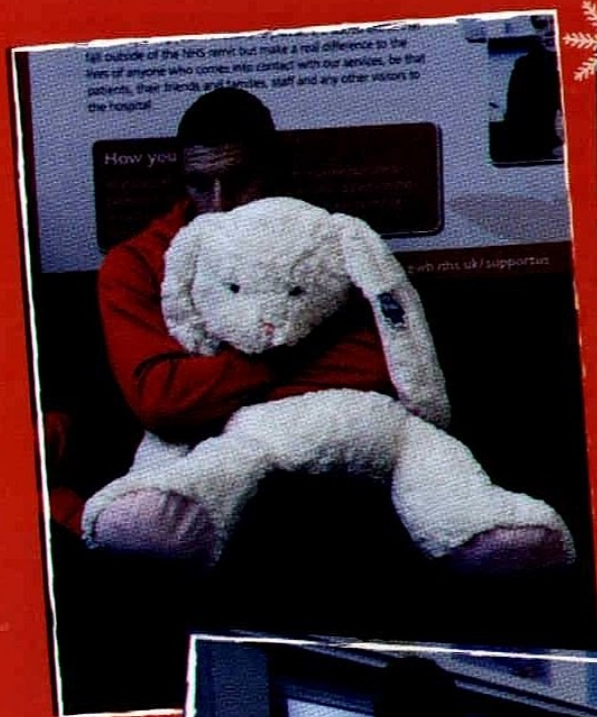


# Christmas Visits

## GALLERY



Paul Mullin, Amine Linganzi, Matt Preston, Kaiyne Woolery and Kellan Gordon paid a trip to the Great Western Hospital last week to spread some Christmas Cheer on the Children's Ward! Here are some of the best pictures from the visit.



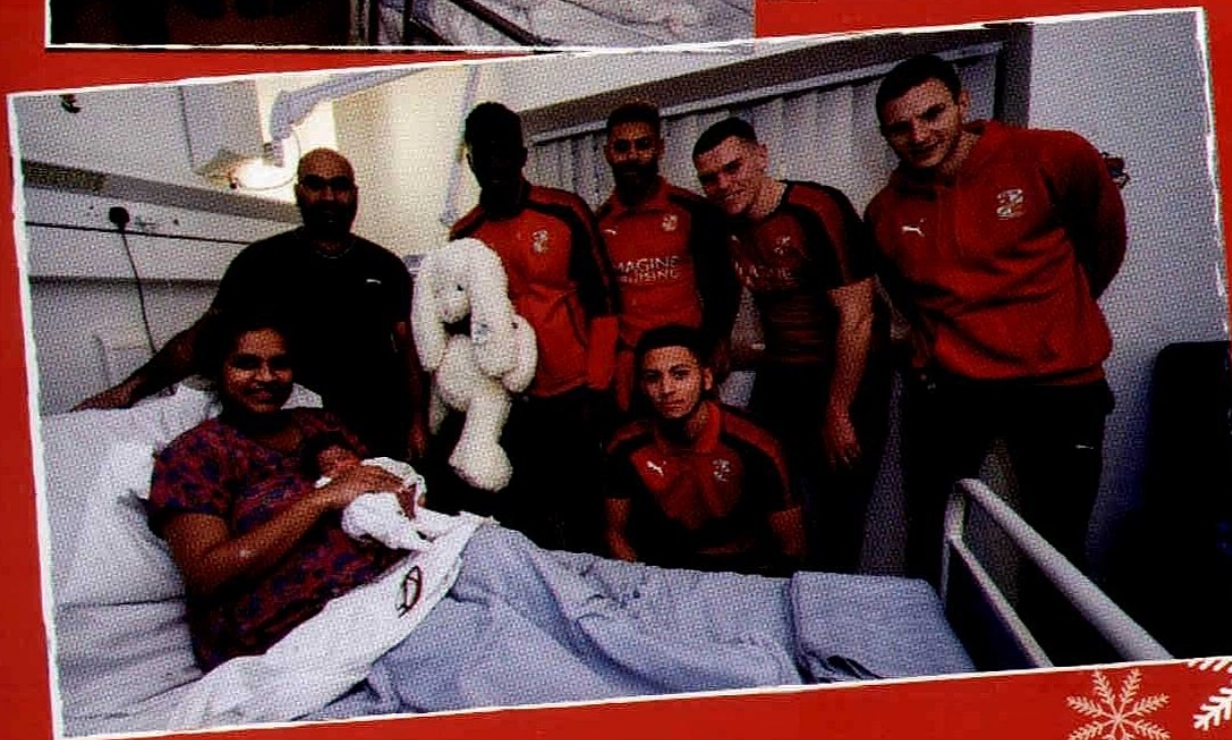
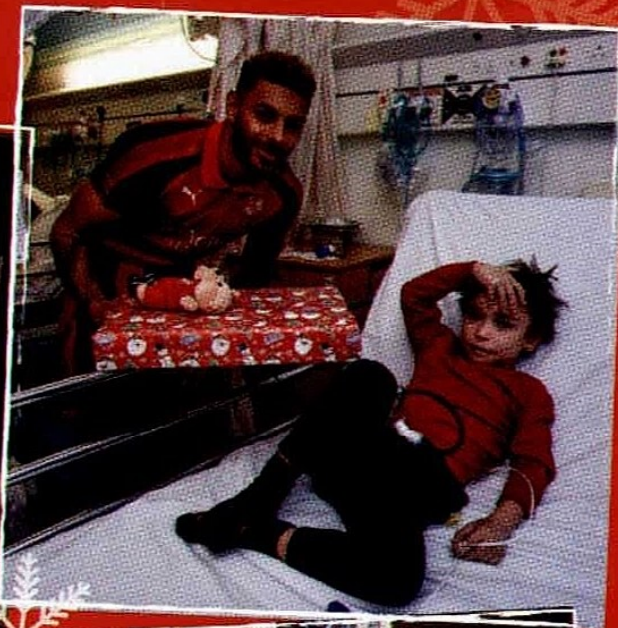
















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## BEST MATE AT THE CLUB

It is Will Henry

## MOST SKILFUL

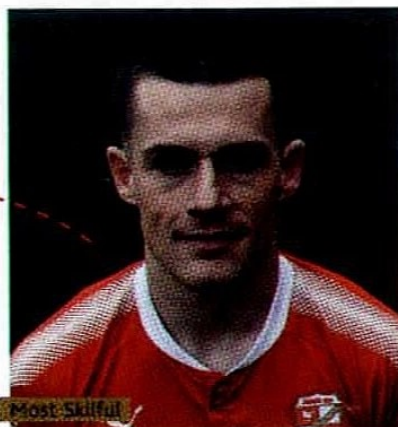
I would say Donal McDermott - he tries a lot of skill in training and it always comes off.

## BEST TRAINER

Can I say a few people? I would go for Donal because he never stops in training, Will Henry and Nozza.



Best Trainer



Most Skilful

## WORST TRAINER

Do I have to answer that one? I don't want to annoy anyone!

## HARDMAN

Matt Preston.

## BEST DRESS SENSE

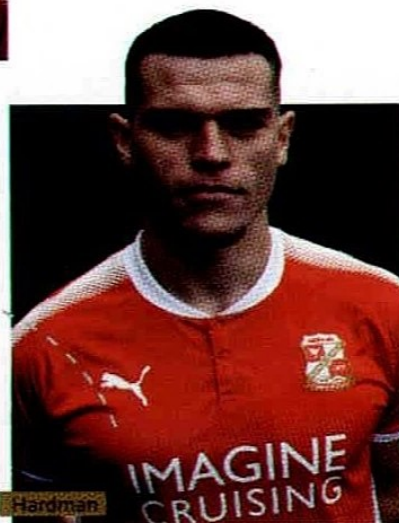
I would say Matty Taylor. He's quite unique in the way that he dresses and he's formal and smart - he gets it right.

## WORST DRESS SENSE

James Brophy is up there! He always sticks out a little bit. Chris Robertson wears some good clothes sometimes but they could be too young for him!

## MOST INTELLIGENT

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The original fixture was due to be played earlier this month but it was postponed due to a frozen pitch at The Wham Stadium.

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As a result, the game will now take place on Tuesday 6th February - 7:45pm Kick-Off.

Any match ticket that was purchased for the original game will still be VALID for the new date.

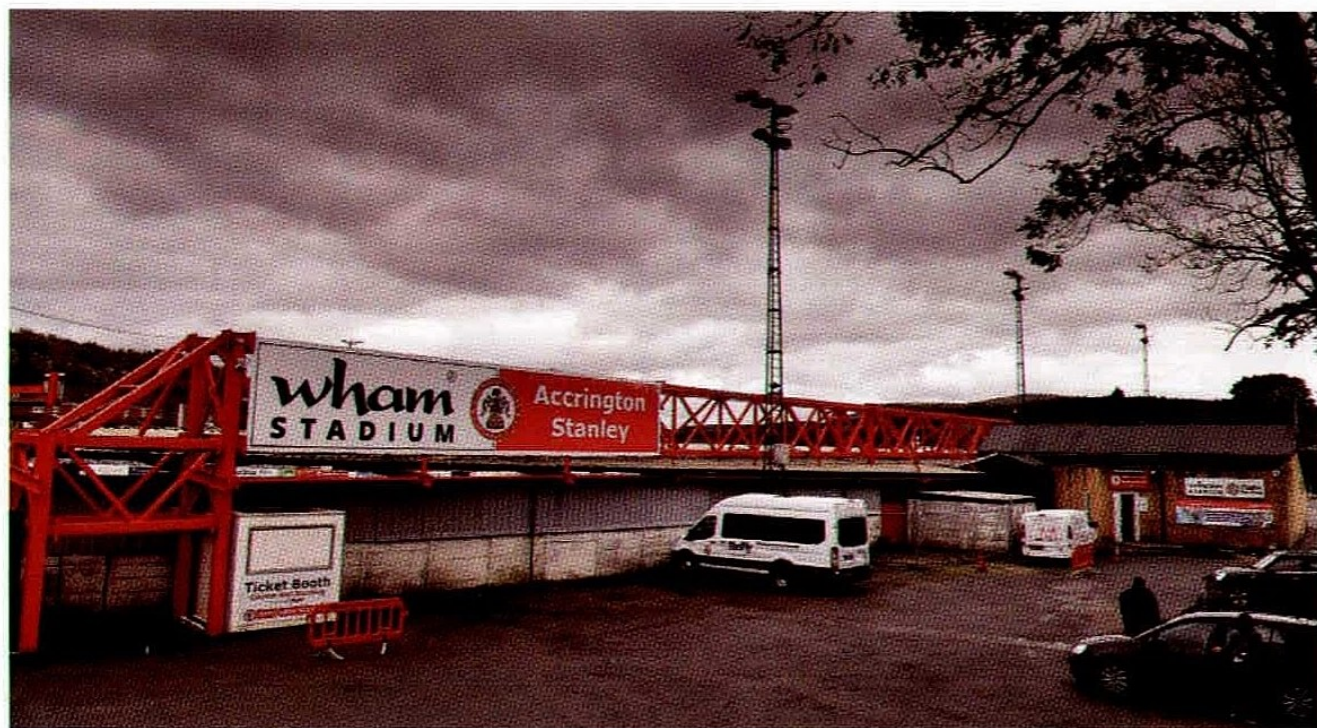
For those of you who cannot attend the new date and would like a full refund on your match ticket then please come into store and we can process this for you.

Supporters will have until 12pm on Saturday 30th December 2017 to redeem their refund.

Please note that refunds will only be processed up until 12pm on Boxing Day against Luton Town on Tuesday 26th December.

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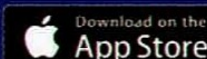


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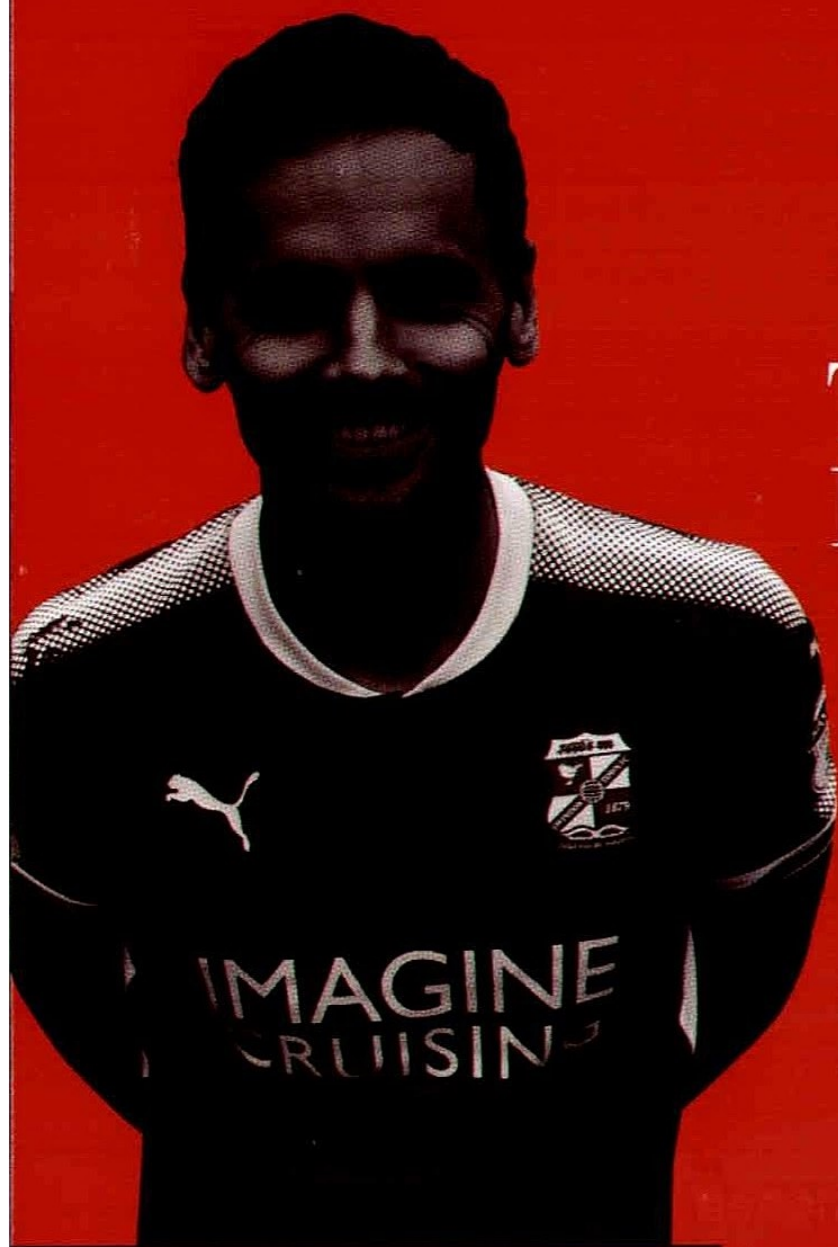
**All 72 EFL Clubs have signed up  
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# THE PURKISS

# Niall

In this week's column, Ben Purkiss looks ahead to a busy Christmas period and gives his opinion on Boxing Day Football.



“

It is just a case of approaching each game, getting through the game, doing everything you can to win the game and then turning your attention to the next one. It is that simple.”



**I**t is a cliché but you do take each game as it comes and all your focus is on the next game, so all of our focus was on Crewe and then you take it from there. You don't know what is going to happen in each game so it could be that someone picks up a knock, the game could be draining for whatever reason and you are required to put in a high level of effort, so you just don't know.

It is just a case of approaching each game, getting through the game, doing everything you can to win the game and then turning your attention to the next one. It is that simple.

Playing on Boxing Day is certainly part of the tradition and part of the culture of

English football. I mean there is nothing to say that, in terms of a winter break, that you would actually have to have it on Boxing Day and over the Christmas period, you could have a break in the first week of January if people did want to introduce a winter break.

I do think that the Boxing Day fixture is special, it is part of tradition and a lot of families seem to attend together and that's just part and parcel of English football. I really enjoy it. There is usually a good atmosphere at games on Boxing Day and they are matches you look forward to.

Until next time.

PURKS.



# FOOTBALL IN THE *Community*

**WE HOPE EVERYONE HAD AN ENJOYABLE CHRISTMAS DAY AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO TODAY'S FESTIVE FOOTBALL.**

## FOOTBALL FANS IN TRAINING

Here is the group photo from the graduation of our latest group of 'Football Fans in Training' who have just completed their twelve-week healthy lifestyle course here at SN1. Well done to everyone that celebrated the completion of the FFIT course on Friday evening and if you know someone over the age of 35 who is looking to lose some weight and get healthier, then email Jon Holloway [jon@stfc-fitc.co.uk](mailto:jon@stfc-fitc.co.uk)



## CHRISTMAS DEVELOPMENT COURSE

It was brilliant to finish the year with our last Holiday Development course at the Energy Check County Ground. We had nearly 150 children join us on the Christmas two day course and we were extremely pleased to have first-team players Matty Taylor and Ben Purkiss attend the end of course presentations. It was very interesting for our young participants to have a question and answer session with the players and hear all about their careers.

We are now taking bookings for all our New Year weekly development sessions which can be found at [www.officialsoccerschools.co.uk/stfc](http://www.officialsoccerschools.co.uk/stfc) or contact the office on 01793 421303



## PAN DISABILITY SESSION

It was a real treat for everyone to welcome back our special guest Lawrence Vigouroux who visited the group back in November. Lawrence promised the participants that he would come to the last session before Christmas where he joined in for the full hour and gave all the children Christmas presents which he kindly bought himself. Clive Maguire who was at the session commented: "It was a fantastic boost for all our young participants who have all taken a real shine to Lawrence. His enthusiasm and great empathy with the children was clear to see during the session. The icing on the cake with all the children receiving their Christmas presents from Lawrence was an incredible gesture from his part and massively appreciated by not only the children but also their families."

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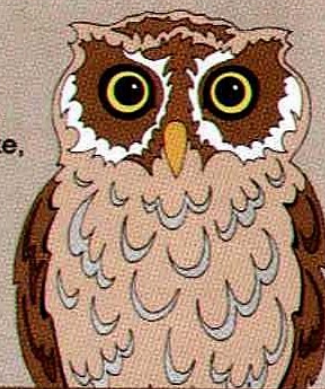
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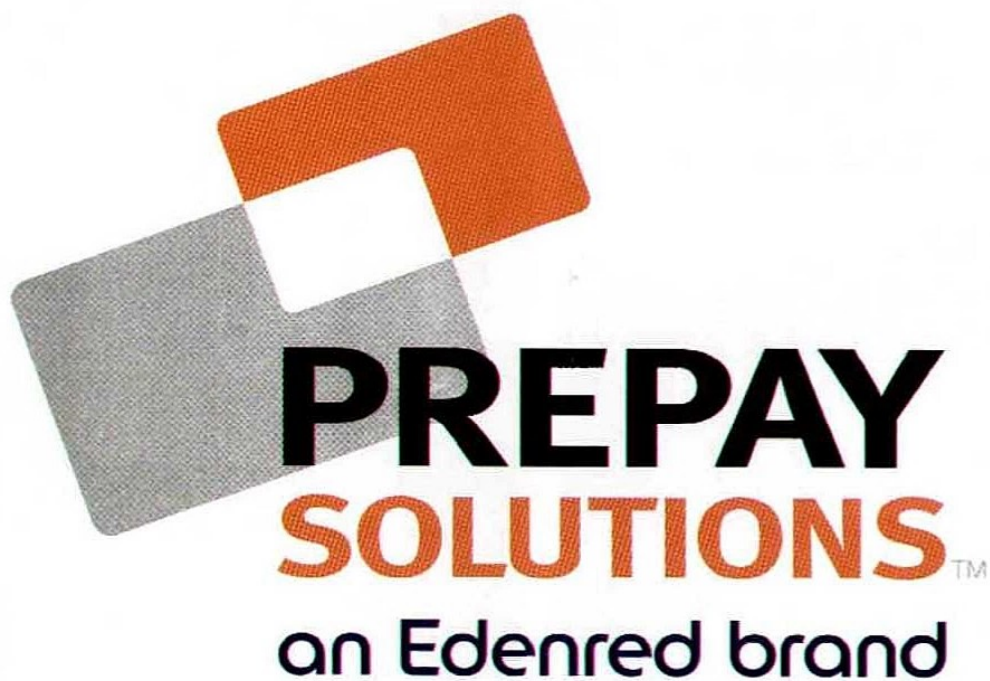
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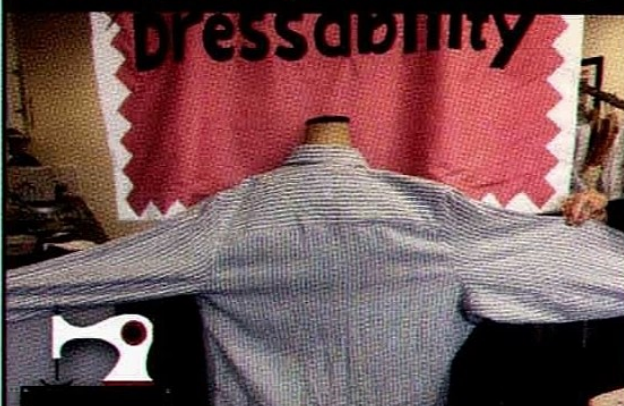
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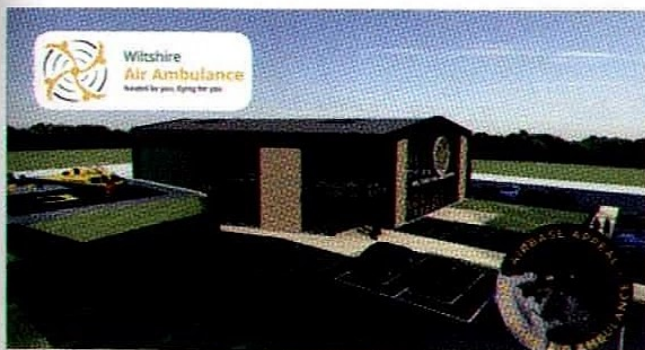
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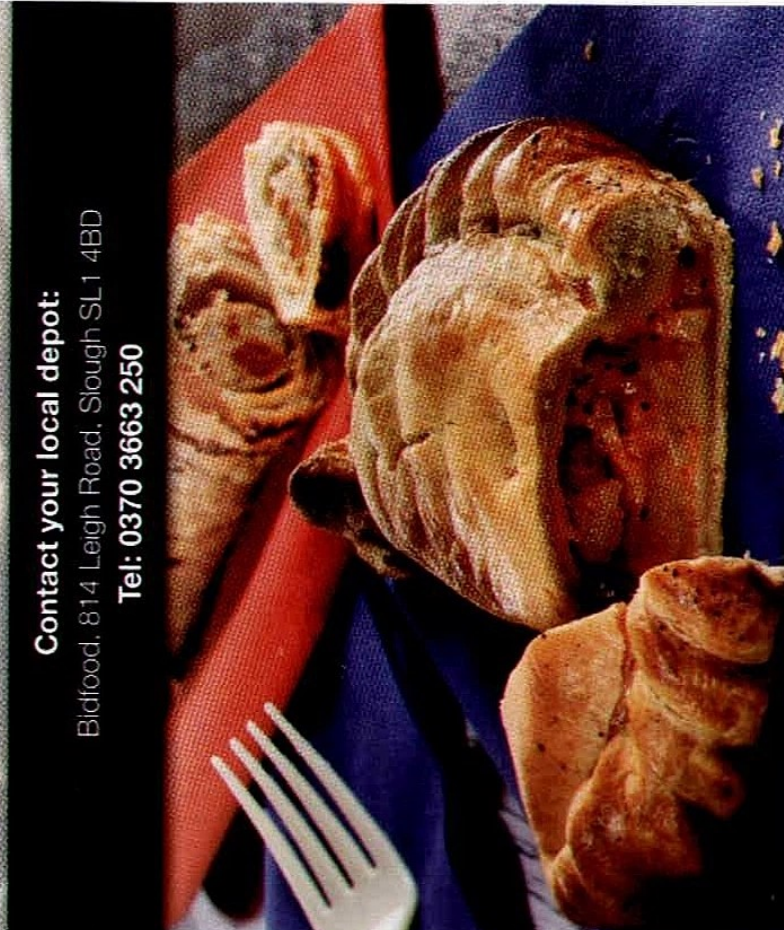
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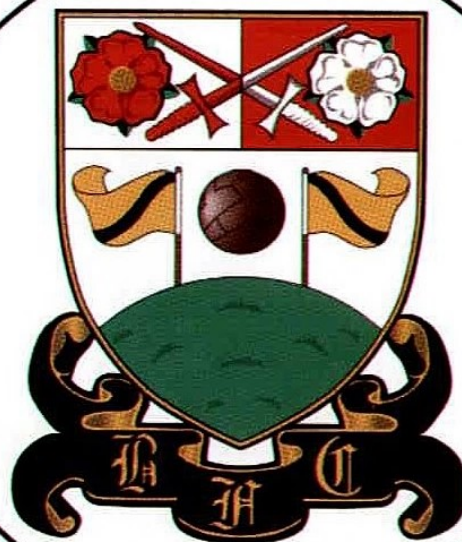
### PARKING

There is a large car park at the stadium with 500 spaces - costing £5 per car. However, with only one exit available it is wise to expect some delays in leaving the car park after the game. Otherwise, there is street parking available although not on Camrose Avenue. There is also 150 spaces at Canons Park Tube Station, which costs £2 to park there for the day. It is a ten-minute walk from the station to the Hive Stadium.



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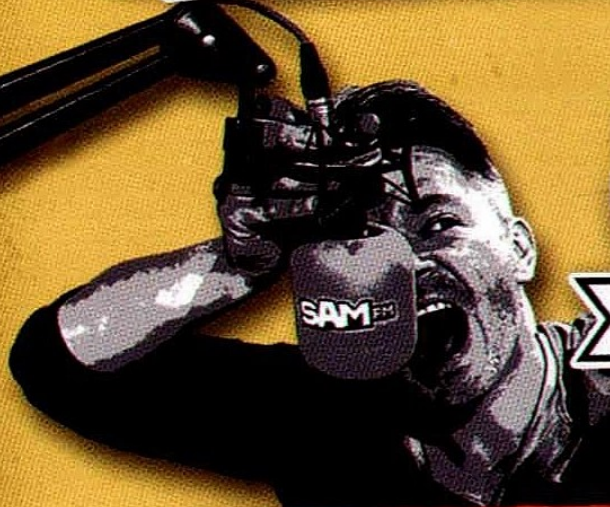
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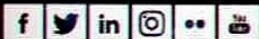
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# 2017/18 FIXTURES AND RESULTS

DATE	FIXTURE	RES./K.O	ATT. (AWAY)	STARTING XI
<b>AUGUST</b>				
Sat Aug 5	Carlisle United	W2-1	6,036 (557)	Vigouroux Purkiss Conroy Lancashire Hussey Dunne
Tue Aug 8	Norwich City CC1	L2-3	13,166 (321)	Vigouroux Purkiss Robertson Lancashire (1) Hussey Dunne
Sat Aug 12	Exeter City	D1-1	7,795 (807)	Vigouroux Purkiss Robertson Lancashire Hussey Dunne
Tue Aug 15	West Ham United (EFLT)	L2-3	2,082 (285)	Henry Purkiss Conroy Lancashire Hussey Dunne
Sat Aug 19	Morecambe	W1-0	1,655 (472)	Vigouroux Purkiss Conroy Lancashire Hussey Dunne
Sat Aug 26	Crawley Town	L0-3	6,613 (87)	Vigouroux Purkiss Conroy Lancashire Hussey Dunne
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
Sat Sep 2	Barnet	L1-4	5,895 (246)	Vigouroux Purkiss Robertson Lancashire Hussey Taylor
Sat Sep 9	Luton Town	W3-0	8,455 (832)	Vigouroux Purkiss Conroy Lancashire Hussey (1) Dunne
Tue Sep 12	Notts County	L0-1	5,107 (336)	Vigouroux Purkiss Conroy Lancashire Hussey Taylor
Sat Sep 16	Stevenage	W3-2	6,022 (?)	Vigouroux Purkiss Conroy Lancashire Hussey Dunne
Fri Sep 22	Forest Green Rovers	W2-0	3,305 (804)	Vigouroux Purkiss Robertson Lancashire (1) Hussey Dunne
Tue Sep 26	Coventry City	L1-2	6,340 (702)	Vigouroux Purkiss Robertson Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Sat Sep 30	Cambridge United	W2-0	5,847 (326)	Vigouroux Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
Sat Oct 6	Cheltenham Town	L1-2	5,050 (1,402)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston (1) Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Sat Oct 14	Mansfield Town	W3-1	4,081 (523)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Tue Oct 17	Lincoln City	L0-1	5,684 (?)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Sat Oct 21	Wycombe Wanderers	W1-0	7,114 (?)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Sat Oct 28	Port Vale	W3-0	5,071 (?)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor (1) Dunne
Tue Oct 31	Wycombe Wanderers (EFLT)	W1-0	1,236 (?)	Charles-Cook Knolly Preston Robertson landolo Dunne
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
Sat Nov 4	Dartford (FAC1)	W5-1	2705 (?)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Wed Nov 8	Bristol Rovers (EFLT)	W4-2	1,657 (197)	Charles-Cook Knolly Robertson Lancashire landolo Goddard (1)
Sat Nov 11	Chesterfield	D2-2		Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Sat Nov 18	Yeovil Town	W2-1	3,622 (1,144)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Tues Nov 21	Grimsby Town	L2-3	3,023 (199)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
Sat Nov 25	Newport County	L0-1	6,764 (?)	Charles-Cook Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor Dunne
<b>DECEMBER</b>				
Sat Dec 2	Stevenage (FAC2)	L2-5	1,883 (?)	Vigouroux Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor (1) Dunne
Tue Dec 5	Forest Green Rovers (EFLT)	L0-1	1,320 (?)	Vigouroux Knolly Preston Lancashire Taylor Robertson
Fri Dec 15	Colchester United	L2-3	6,020 (?)	Vigouroux Purkiss Preston Lancashire Taylor McDermott
Sat Dec 23	Crewe Alexandra	15.00		
Tue Dec 26	Luton Town	15.00		
Sat Dec 30	Notts County	15.00		
<b>JANUARY</b>				
Mon Jan 1	Barnet	15.00		
Sat Jan 13	Forest Green Rovers	15.00		
Sat Jan 16	Stevenage	19.45		
Sat Jan 20	Coventry City	15.00		
Sat Jan 27	Crewe Alexandra	15.00		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
Sat Feb 3	Lincoln City	15.00		
Sat Feb 6	Accrington Stanley	19.45		
Sat Feb 10	Mansfield Town	15.00		
Tue Feb 13	Wycombe Wanderers	19.45		
Sat Feb 17	Port Vale	15.00		
Sat Feb 24	Chesterfield	15.00		
<b>MARCH</b>				
Sat Mar 3	Yeovil Town	15.00		
Sat Mar 10	Cheltenham Town	15.00		
Sat Mar 17	Cambridge United	15.00		
Sat Mar 24	Exeter City	15.00		
Fri Mar 30	Morecambe	15.00		
<b>APRIL</b>				
Mon Apr 2	Crawley Town	15.00		
Sat Apr 7	Carlisle United	15.00		
Sat Apr 14	Newport County	15.00		
Sat Apr 21	Grimsby Town	15.00		
Sat Apr 28	Colchester United	15.00		
<b>MAY</b>				
Sat May 5	Accrington Stanley	15.00		



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McDermott	Linganzi	Mullin	Woolery	Norris	Brophy	Taylor	H. Smith	B Huxtable
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# LEAGUE TABLE

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Luton Town	22	13	6	3	32	45
2	Notts County	22	12	7	3	15	43
3	Exeter City	22	12	3	7	5	39
4	Wycombe Wanderers	22	10	7	5	10	37
5	Accrington Stanley	21	11	4	6	8	37
6	Lincoln City	22	10	6	6	9	36
7	Coventry City	22	10	5	7	8	35
8	Colchester United	22	10	5	7	6	35
9	Newport County	22	9	7	6	6	34
10	Mansfield Town	22	8	9	5	5	33
11	Grimsby Town	22	9	6	7	-1	33
12	Swindon Town	21	10	2	9	4	32
13	Cambridge United	22	8	5	9	-9	29
14	Carlisle United	22	7	7	8	0	28
15	Cheltenham Town	22	7	6	9	-2	27
16	Stevenage	22	7	6	9	-6	27
17	Crawley Town	22	6	6	10	-7	24
18	Port Vale	22	7	3	12	-9	24
19	Crewe Alexandra	22	7	2	13	-11	23
20	Morecambe	22	5	7	10	-9	22
21	Yeovil Town	22	5	6	11	-13	21
22	Barnet	22	5	5	12	-8	20
23	Chesterfield	22	5	5	12	-14	20
24	Forest Green Rovers	22	5	5	12	-19	20

## RESULTS

SAT DEC 16 2017

Wycombe Wanderers 1-0  
Chesterfield

Notts County 0-0  
Grimsby Town

Mansfield Town 0-0  
Yeovil Town

Lincoln City 2-0  
Accrington Stanley

Forest Green Rovers 0-2  
Luton Town

Exeter City 2-1  
Stevenage

Crewe Alexandra 3-0  
Crawley Town

Coventry City 2-1  
Cheltenham Town

Carlisle United 1-2 Port Vale

Cambridge United 1-2  
Newport County

Barnet 2-1 Morecambe

## TODAY'S GAMES

(3PM UNLESS STATED)

GRIMSBY TOWN V MANSFIELD TOWN (1PM)

CAMBRIDGE UNITED V BARNET

CARLISLE UNITED V ACCRINGTON STANLEY

CHELTEHAM TOWN V YEOVIL TOWN

CHESTERFIELD V CREWE ALEXANDRA

CRAWLEY TOWN V COLCHESTER UNITED

EXETER CITY V FOREST GREEN ROVERS

LINCOLN CITY V STEVENAGE

MORECAMBE V NOTTS COUNTY

PORT VALE V COVENTRY CITY

WYCOMBE WANDERERS V NEWPORT COUNTY

## TOP GOALSCORERS

1	Danny Hylton	Luton Town	13
2	Jorge Grant	Notts County	11
3	Kristian Dennis	Chesterfield	11
4	Christian Doidge	Forest Green Rovers	11
5	Adebayo Akinfenwa	Wycombe Wanderers	10

## TOP ASSISTS

1	George Cooper	Crewe Alexandra	9
2	Drey Wright	Colchester United	6
3	Matty Taylor	Swindon Town	6
4	Adebayo Akinfenwa	Wycombe Wanderers	6
5	Billy Kee	Accrington Stanley	6

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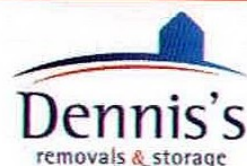
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# FROM THE EDITOR

Merry Christmas! I hope you all had a brilliant day with the family and aren't too full of Turkey and other festive delights today!

I for one probably indulged a little bit too much (I always do!) and it is nice to have some football to look forward to this afternoon - there's only so many Christmas films you can bear in one day!

And, excuse the pun, but it should be a cracker today with the league leaders in town. Luton are certainly flying at the moment and their attacking prowess certainly speaks for itself having handed out some thrashings this terms.

It really is a defining period for us with Notts County set to follow in a few days time - both are huge games and two positive results could really inject a spark into our promotion aspirations.

We should be full of confidence though having produced a superb display to emerge 3-0 victors away at Luton earlier this season - a stunning strike from Chris Hussey putting the icing on top of the proverbial cake!

Boxing Day football is always special and it is a tradition in this country that I hope we

stick with. There is always talk about a Winter Break, plenty of it in-fact, but no football on Boxing Day would be a huge miss in my opinion.

I don't know about you but I have plenty of special memories from going to a game on Boxing Day, like the trip to Yeovil in 2007 when Barry Corr scored the only goal of the game to send the travelling Red Army home very happy indeed.

Some things don't need to be tampered with and I would certainly put Boxing Day football right up there - let's hope for an entertaining encounter and hopefully three points come 5pm today!

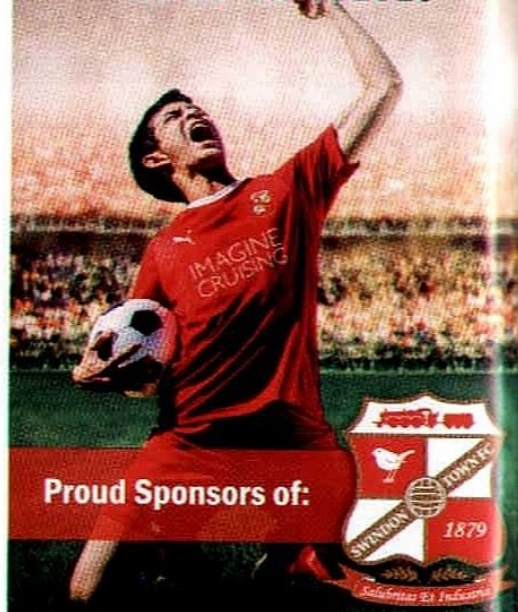
Enjoy the game and tuck into something different other than turkey this afternoon!

**ANDREW STEELE-DAVIS,**  
Head of Media & Communications

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- 07 Paul Mullin
- 08 James Dunne
- 09 Luke Norris
- 10 John Goddard
- 11 James Brophy
- 12 Will Henry
- 14 Ellis Iandolo
- 15 Tom Smith
- 16 Amine Linganzi
- 17 Harry Smith
- 18 Donal McDermott
- 19 Timi Elsnik
- 20 Kellan Gordon
- 21 Reice Charles-Cook
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- 08 Olly Lee
- 09 Danny Hylton
- 10 Jordan Cook
- 11 Andrew Shinnie
- 14 Harry Cornick
- 16 Glen Rea
- 17 Pelly-Ruddock Mpanzu
- 18 Luke Berry
- 19 James Collins
- 21 Jack Senior
- 22 Luke Gambin
- 24 Lawson D'Ath
- 27 Aaron Jarvis
- 33 Kavan Cotter  
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