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	1989/90	5,618,384	455	12,348	+ 15.3%
Division Three	1988/89	2,450,037	448	5,469	
	1989/90	2,224,426	449	4,954	- 9.4%
Division Four	1988/89	1,466,493	458	3,201	
	1989/90	1,515,799	452	3,354	+ 4.8%
Total	1988/89	15,184,480	1,673	9,076	
	1989/90	15,978,742	1,674	9,545	

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Yours faithfully
John D Metherell

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Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen, welcome once again to the County Ground.

Welcome also to Watford and especially to Colin Lee a former team mate at 'Spurs'. Colin has recently taken over as Watford's Manager and I wish him well with the future.

I cannot comment on the Brighton game because of printing deadlines. However, our last away match at Bournemouth saw us get back on the winning trail

An eye infection to Fraser gave Kevin Dearden his chance in goal where he performed well and showed, with Nicky Hammond injured, the value of adequate back-up strength. Kevin is on loan to us until the end of the season from my former club, Spurs.

All our matches will now have a tremendous bearing on the eventual promotion and playing positions for Division Two with our away

and spur them on to greater things.



● **Fitzroy Simpson** – scored the opener at Bournemouth.



Ossie Ardiles

and maintain our promotion ambitions, although taking an early lead through Fitzroy and playing well we failed to take a number of chances and were caught right on half - time with a Luther Blissett equaliser. With Jon Gittens scoring the winner late in the game we came away with a very well earned three points.

games at Blackburn and Newcastle virtually six pointers.

With Steve Foley making good progress and Fraser's eye infection improving, we should be able to approach the run-in with almost a fully fit professional staff.

Please give the lads your support today, it is most vital that you get behind them



● **Kevin Dearden** – Played well against Bournemouth.

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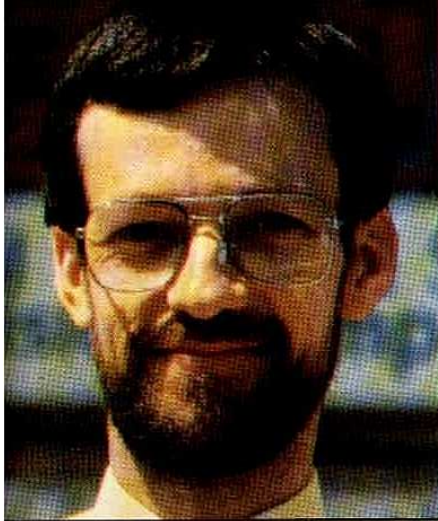
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Paul Plowman

OUR HISTORIAN LOOKS BACK AT SOME PREVIOUS MEETINGS BETWEEN SWINDON TOWN AND TODAY'S OPPONENTS

Today is the 90th meeting between Swindon Town and Watford in the Football League and the 120th including Southern League encounters. No other club has faced Swindon on as many occasions.

The two clubs were ever-present members of the Third Division South, from 1921 until 1958. The first post-war meeting is one that Maurice Owen will never want to forget. After 'Slacker' Williams had given Town a third minute lead, the young centre-forward from Abingdon making his League debut, scored the second, third and fifth goals as his side romped to a 5-0 win.

RAMPANT

Owen grabbed another hat-trick against Watford in September 1951, this time at Vicarage Road. On this occasion, he netted the second, fourth and seventh in a remarkable

7-1 victory - Swindon's fourth successive win there. Harry Lunn, who began the rout in the fourth minute, scored twice and Mick Betteridge and Roy Onslow added the others. Two former Town players in the Watford line-up, giant goalkeeper George Ephgrave and inside-forward Morris Jones were powerless to stop a rampant Swindon.

But they were happier six days later, when a 25th-minute goal from Bob Cook gave Watford a 1-0 win in the return fixture at Swindon!

There was another rapid reversal in fortunes in 1954/55. On August 24 at Vicarage road, the Town went down 0-3, with Onslow helping Watford's cause by conceding an own goal. But a week later, he scored at the right end and two more goals from Owen gave Swindon a comfortable 3-0 lead at the interval. Harry 'Sniper' Williams then claimed a second-half hat-trick - two goals coming in the final six minutes - to give the Town a 6-1 success.

Swindon suffered four successive defeats in Hertfordshire before they recorded a 4-3 win in August 1956. John Richards opened the proceedings for the Town in the 8th minute, but Les Graham quickly equalised. Four goals in seven minutes in the second-half changed the course of the game. Three went to Swindon - two to Alan Gibbs and another to Bob Edwards.

Almost fifteen years had passed before the Town again returned from Vicarage Road with both points. In fact, although gaining four draws in nine visits, only once in those nine games did Swindon manage to find the net.

SEVERE

It came during the severe winter of 1962/63, when it was February 23

before the Town played their first away League game of the new year. Sammy Chung scored a 20th minute opener with Ernie Hunt replying for the visitors. Charlie Livesey and Bobby Howfield made it 3-1 to Watford with twenty minutes left, from Mike Summerbee and another from Hunt, gave Swindon a share of the spoils.

That long-awaited victory was not until April 1971. Ron Wig, for Watford, and Steve Peplow for the Town were the first half marksmen, with the winner coming from Arthur Horsfield. The former Middlesbrough and Newcastle striker also claimed his side's goal in a 1-1 draw at the County Ground early in the season - and had grabbed another couple in a 4-2 League Cup success a week later. He was to join the Vicarage Road staff in 1975.

WRONG END

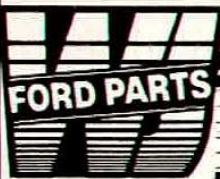
Over 31,000 saw the two clashes in 1978/79. Both resulted in 2-0 victories for the home side and Alan Mayes (see separate feature) finished on the winning side on both occasions. A brace from Luther Blissett sealed Swindon's fate on December 30. On April 21, Ross Jenkins, with 27 goals to his credit, popped one in at the wrong end to give the Town a slender half-time lead, but then a superb strike from Andy Rowland clinched the points.

Of all the one-hundred plus encounters so far, the ultimate scoring achievement by a Swindon player against Watford must belong to Archie Bown. Exactly 75 years ago this month, Archie was the star of a Town side which triumphed 6-0 at the County Ground. Less than a thousand saw the game, which netted just £21. Archie started the rout in the third minute, had completed a hat-trick by the 33rd and went on to grab all six goals.

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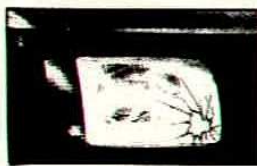
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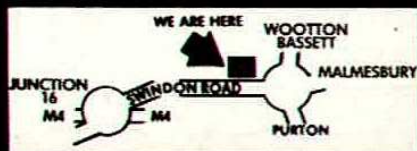
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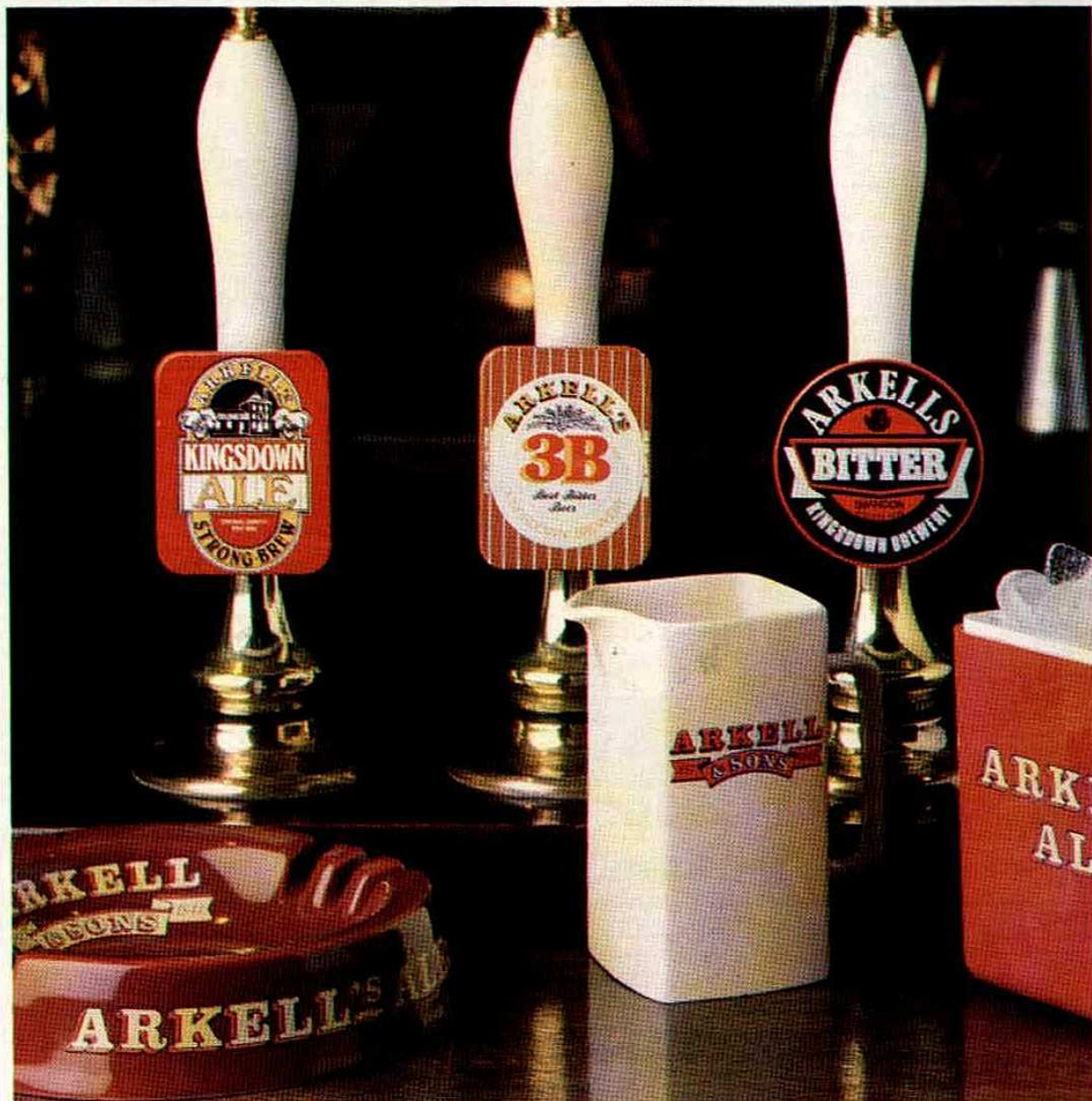
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We were very much in control in the first half, when we had the advantage of the very strong wind, and could have come off at half-time two or three goals up.

But when half-time was approaching, and we still had only the one goal, I remember thinking that we could be in for a tough time in the second half when they had the advantage of the wind.

As it turned out, we did not even have the one goal advantage, for they really took the wind out of our sails by scoring in about the last minute of the half.

David Kerslake apparently didn't realise Luther Blissett was just behind him when he went to collect and pass from Ross MacLaren and Blissett nipped in to take the ball.

I moved across to meet him as he came inside, but before I could reach him he hit a good shot just inside the near post.

Kevin Dearden had no chance of getting it . . . but he certainly saved us a couple of times in the second half.

It couldn't have been easy for him coming into the game at the last minute when Fraser Digby cried off with eye problems.

Fraser had been having trouble seeing in the morning and although he'd had some eye drops put in, it was not getting any better.

So, in the end, the gaffer told Kevin he was in. He took the news quite coolly, which was pleasing for the rest of us.

Thinking about it, the call-up was so late that he probably didn't have time to build-up too many nerves.

And he's actually a bit more experienced than I thought. He told us he'd

played about 30 games on loan for Hartlepool and Cambridge, which was a lot more than I had been led to believe.

Anyway, he did very well and one of his saves, from Blissett quite late in the game, was tremendous.

Mind you, I had earlier warmed him up with a pass-back early in the half, which he took at full stretch!

The second half turned out to be a little less difficult than I'd been fearing.

Overall, I felt we played quite well.

We had one poor spell about midway through, when we went off the boil, but came back again in the last 20 minutes and created a few chances.

Obviously, I was delighted to see Gitts score - although it put him level with me on three for the season - and the goal could hardly have come at a better time. We only had to live on our nerves for about six or seven minutes.

Obviously, we knew a win at Bournemouth would be important, but it was only when we heard the other results that we realised how vital it was.

If we had drawn, we could have dropped into sixth place on goal difference!

I'm having to write these notes before the home game against Brighton, so I can only hope that by the time you read them we will have collected another three points.

Colin Calderwood



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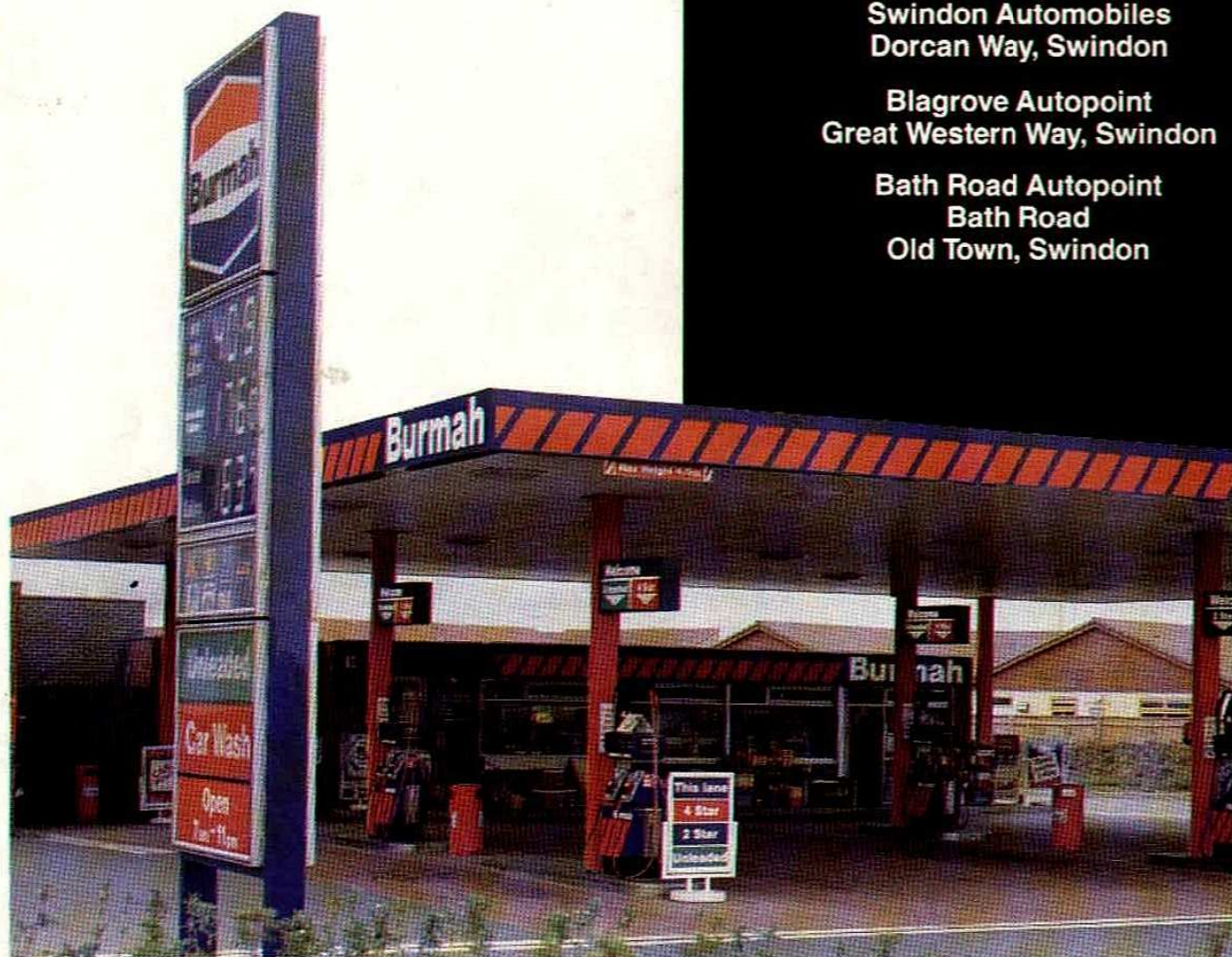
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**FINISHING FINESSE
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Finesse is not normally the word that springs to mind when you think about Jon Gittens. But there was more than just a touch of finesse about his winning goal at Bournemouth. Most other players would have been tempted to blast the ball in from a similar position, but Jon picked his spot and found it with as sweet a header as you could ever wish to see.

Isn't it amazing how quickly things can change in football? One minute we're heading for five games without a win and then we're suddenly unbeaten in three! And we're even breathing down Sheffield United's neck again.

The win at Bournemouth must have come as a great relief to the players because it was a hell of a relief to me. In the first half, as against Leicester, there was never really any doubt who the best side were. Bournemouth did come back in the second half, though, before Gittens popped up with that winner.

Gittens was my man of the match, but a special mention must go to Kevin Dearden who stepped in at a very difficult moment and had an excellent game, making two or three good saves.

Another example of how things can change quickly in football came with the Cup Semi-Final between Crystal Palace and Liverpool. Like most people, I started hoping for a Liverpool defeat (doesn't it get on your nerves the way they win everything!). By the end, though, I found myself cheering for Palace because they really deserved it. How incredible that Liverpool beat Palace 9-0 earlier in the season.

That's two teams who have put four past Liverpool this season - Southampton (who we narrowly failed to beat) and Palace (who we beat twice this time last year).

ITV must have been cursing their luck with the BBC getting such good action from their little baby, the FA Cup. As far as I'm concerned it just underlines how live TV football is more suited to cup ties. League games would be better dealt with in the old Match of the Day/Big Match format, with action from all four Divisions.

Rogers making just about all the goals. He doesn't score any of them, though, but John Trollope does!

In the Seventies version, Town fans have to be content with seeing ex-Town players scoring goals, including Don Rogers scoring for Palace and Ernie Hunt's unique goal for Coventry after Willie Carr scoops the ball up from between his feet. You can just about spot the County Ground in some opening titles if you're quick with the freeze frame and you should be able to spot Peter Noble on the end



by **Michael Scott**

A PLUG FOR JOHN MOTSON

John Motson could have done with a plug the way he kept telling us what a great match we were watching every two minutes (as if we didn't know), but now it's time for another kind of plug.

You may have noticed that the BBC have released the two videos - Match of the Day: The Sixties and The Seventies. At the risk of sounding as though I've been paid to write it, I can recommend both. The Sixties version includes the Town beating Charlton 5-0 at the County Ground with roughly the League Cup-winning side and Don

of a 0-7 defeat while playing for Burnley. The whole video is great stuff - George Best, Leeds beating Southampton 7-0 and then not letting them have the ball; Colchester; Hereford; etc; etc; and Bristol Rovers losing 0-9. (Pity it wasn't City).

Talking of Don Rogers (as I was before), I noticed Don playing in the Oasis six-a-side League recently. The best player who never played for England' isn't quite as mobile as he used to be, but he still managed to score a few goals and I believe his team came top of their Division.

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**PAUL PLOWMAN
LOOKS BACK AT THE CAREER
OF A PLAYER WHO SERVED
BOTH SWINDON TOWN
AND TODAY'S OPPONENTS**

Not too many have scored a hat-trick on their debut for Swindon Town. Harry Morris did it in 1926. Maurice Owen did it in 1947. But even those two great goalscorers failed to match the achievement of Alan Mayes in 1979 – a debut hat-trick away from the County Ground.

STRUGGLE

Alan was an apprentice with Queens Park Rangers, but had never tasted League football until he joined Watford in November 1974. Watford were then a struggling Third Division side – and soon lost the struggle with relegation at the end of the season.

Alan struggled too, scoring just twice in 30 appearances before being loaned out to Northampton for two months. All was forgotten by 1977/78, however, as under new manager Graham Taylor the Hornets won the Fourth Division at a canter. Alan hit 15 goals, including his first senior hat-trick in a 4-0 win at York. But Alan was left out of the opening line-up in the Third Division, which led to him leaving Vicarage Road.

"Graham Taylor said that I could become a first-class winger", Alan recalled, "but I wanted to play up front. Being a Hertfordshire boy it was a big transition moving to a place like Swindon".

But move he did, signing for Bob Smith in February 1979. And it was on the 24th that he made that remarkable entrance, scoring all the goals in the Town's 3-1 win at Rotherham. It was remarkable also



• Alan Mayes

that it should come in Yorkshire, as did his first hat-trick.

In just 21 appearances, Alan scored 11 times – just three behind top scorer for the season, Chic Bates. The only disappointment was that his old club gained promotion and Swindon finished fifth. "I still thought we were the best side in the Division!" he remarked.

PLUNDERED

Unfortunately, promotion did not come in the next season either, despite some remarkable scoring from Alan and his partner Andy Rowland. Together, they plundered

in an embarrassing 6-2 defeat for the Town. That was followed by a hat-trick four days later.

Sam gave him a two-year contract but, in the event, Alan only played another ten games. "I felt awful about it", he said, "a hip problem finally caught up with me and a knee injury led to an operation".

MANAGER

Alan joined Wycombe Wanderers in 1987. "I had got my full badge and been on a manager's course at St Helens, so I was a bit disappointed in not getting the manager's job

Passing Back



Paul Plowman

56 League and Cup goals – 28 apiece – but the club ended 1979/80 in mid-table.

A big money move took Alan to Chelsea in December 1980, but a change in management there the following year saw Alan spend more time in the reserve side. "I never particularly got on with John Neal", he said.

Alan returned to the County Ground for two seasons and was top goalscorer in the first, 1983/84. After a spell with Carlisle, he spent the last days of his League career at Blackpool under his old colleague from Watford, Sam Ellis.

While on loan, Alan made his debut for the Seaside in September 1986 at Swindon – and scored

there" he said. But, after helping out on the commercial side and then playing a few games for Chalfont St Peter, a managerial appointment finally came at Harrow Borough.

Nowadays, he works for a company that specialises in corporate hospitality at sporting events and in theatre and entertainment. In the same business are Phil Driver, who was with Alan at Stamford Bridge and later at Harrow, and ex-cricketer Andrew Jones.

He admits that he is not keeping himself as fit as he should be and has so far declined an offer to play for Royston, the side that Driver now coaches. But, at just 36, the articulate Alan Mayes must surely have a bright future ahead of him.



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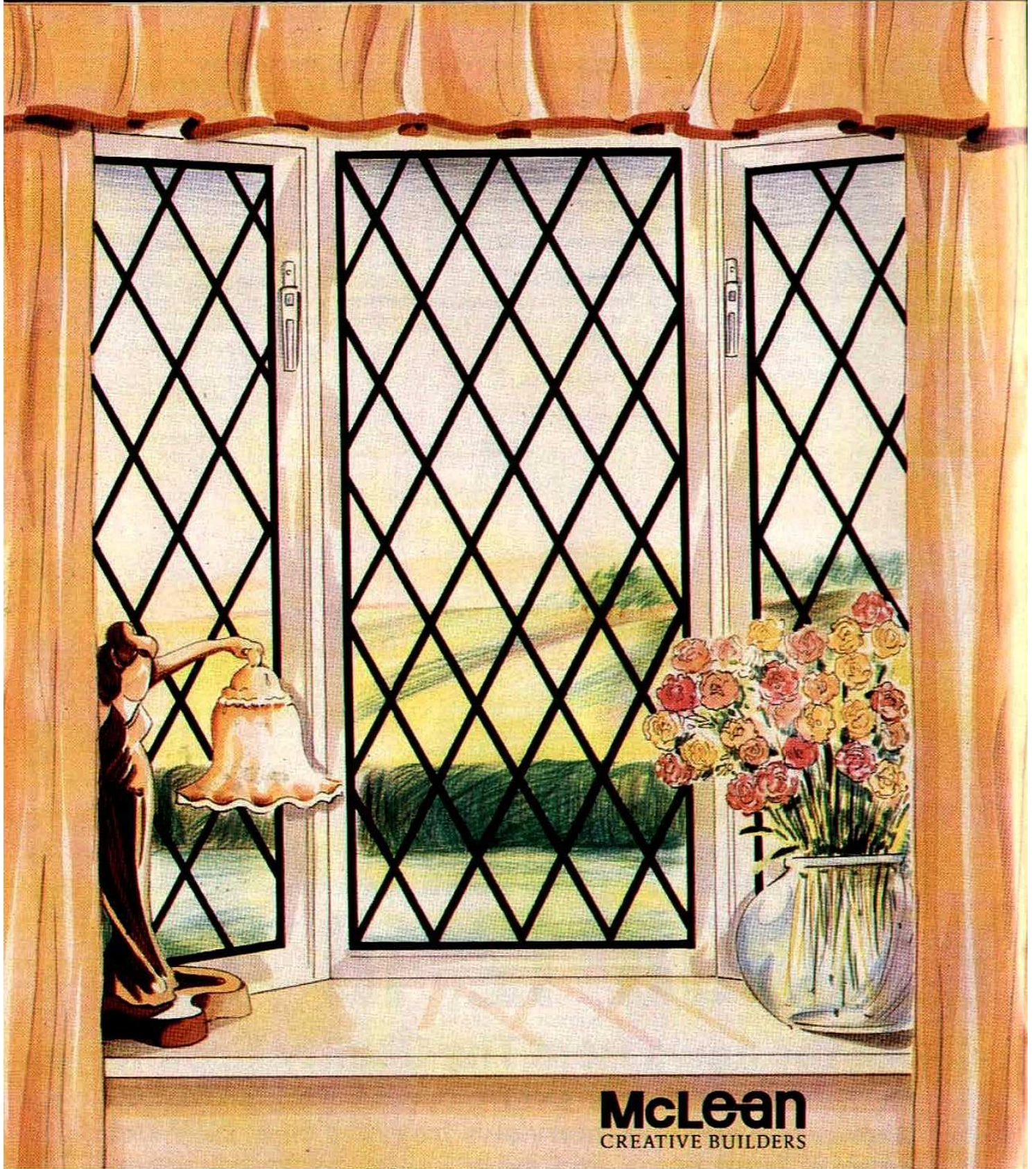
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2. Sheffield United
3. Newcastle United

2. The team you expect to make the most improvement.

Leicester City

3. A tip for promotion from Division Three

Bristol City.

4. Select a team from players that you have played with at Club level.

1. Digby
2. Thomas
3. Trollope
4. McLoughlin
5. Burrows
6. Stroud
7. J. Smith

8. Noble
9. Rowland
10. Butler
11. Rogers

5. The best player you have seen in your position.

Never played in first team.
Duncan Edwards (Man. Utd.)

6. Details of your first match, at any level, for your first professional Club.

Team and Opponents:
Warminster Town v Swindon Town A team.

Date of Match:
November 3rd 1956

Venue:

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Position played:

Left Wing

Number of goals scored:

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Final result:

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7. Your favourite holiday spots at home and abroad.

Bournemouth.
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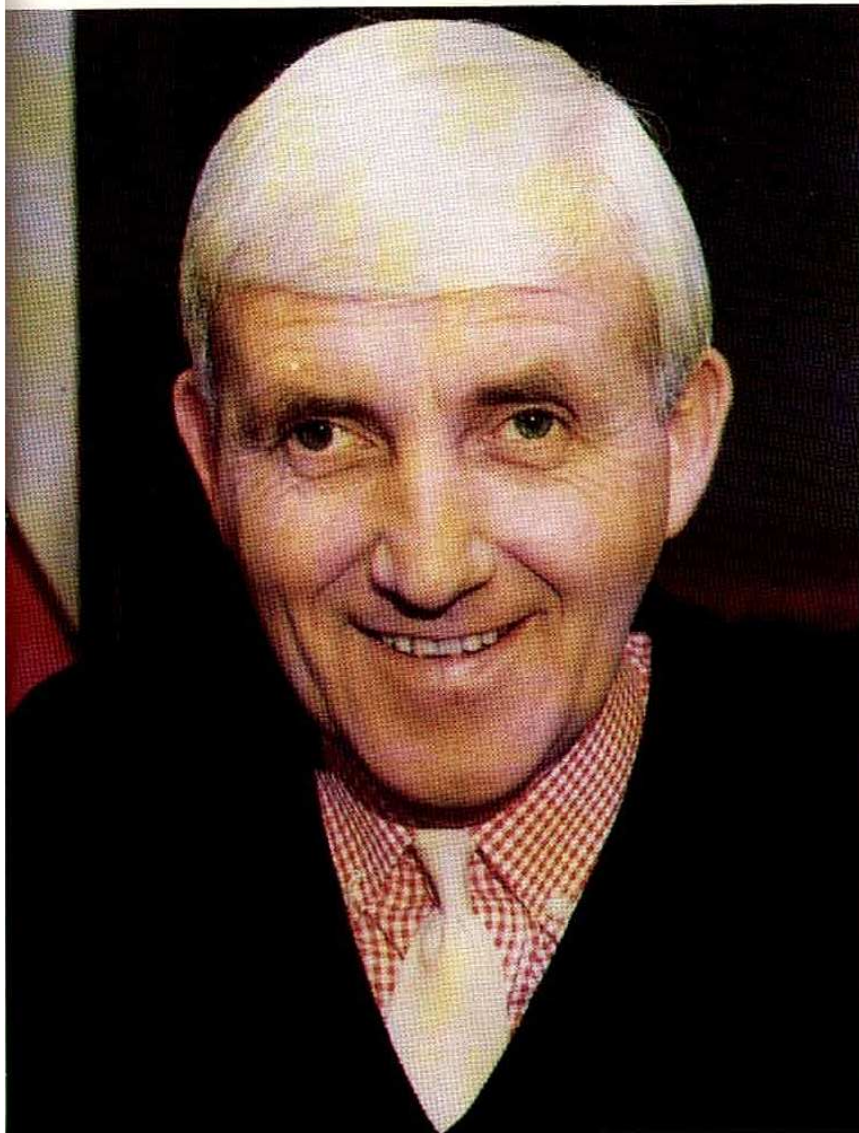
8. Your favourite sports commentators.

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Any sports magazines

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10. The best & worst dressers among your team mates.

Best - David Kerslake.
Worst - Paul Hunt

11. The best ground you have played on and the one you would most like to appear on.

Highbury.
Wembley.

12. Your worst moment on the football field.

None

13. What are your favourite TV shows.

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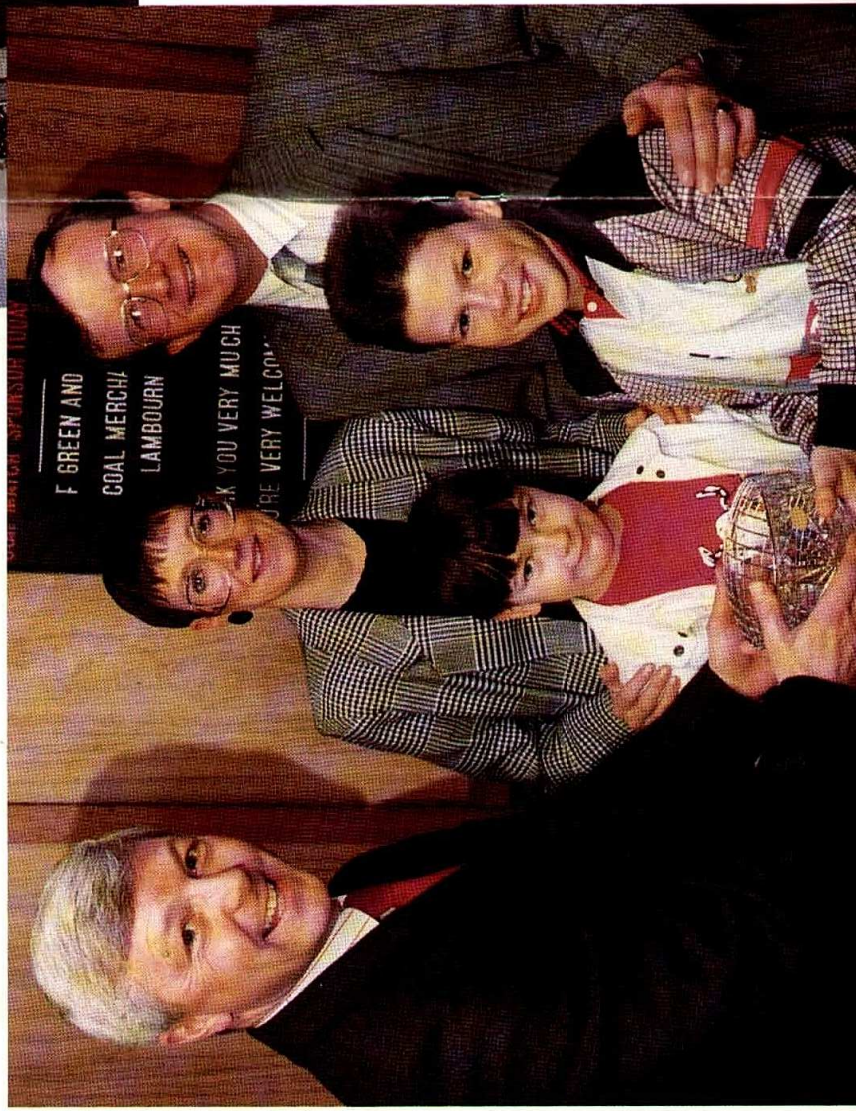


by Dave Evans



● Right - Our recent 20th Sporting Dinner sponsored by The Lowndes Lambert Group at South Marston County Club.

Left to right as you look at the photo: Peter Ray (Lowndes Lambert), Ian Darke (BBC Radio 2 Sport), David Ludbrooke (Lowndes Lambert), Garry Richardson (BBC Radio 2 Sport), Ossie Ardiles.



● Left - Richard Green with his wife and family seen in our match sponsors lounge with Director Garry Herbert, when Richard's company sponsored the game with Leicester City.



WATFORD FOOTBALL CLUB 1989-90

Back Row (left to right): Lee Richardson, Kenny Jackett, Willie Falconer, Iwan Roberts, Garry Thompson (now at Crystal Palace), David Holdsworth.

Middle Row (left to right): Billy Hails (Physiotherapist), Wayne Allison, Neil Redfearn, Tony Colon, Paul Wilkinson, Dean Holdsworth (not at Brentford), Tom Walley (ex-First Team Coach).

Front Row (left to right): Nigel Gibbs, Liburd Henry, Glenn Roeder, Steve Harrison (ex-Manager), Glyn Hodges, Rod Thomas, Gary Porter.

Not in picture: Gary Penrice, Gary Williams, Colin Lee (Caretaker Manager)

Form guide

WATFORD FORM GUIDE 1988/89 (LAST 10 GAMES)

Date	Opponents	Home	Away	Goalscorers	Att.
Feb 24	Wolverhampton W.		D1-1	Wilkinson	16,187
Mar 3	Leeds United	W1-0		Thomas	13,468
7	Middlesbrough		W2-1	Hodges 2 (1 pen)	14,008
10	Newcastle United	D0-0			12,069
13	West Ham United	L0-1			15,682
17	West Bromwich A.		L0-2		9,915
20	Brighton & Hove A.	W4-2		Wilkinson, Penrice, Hodges, Thomas	8,487
24	A.F.C. Bournemouth		D0-0		6,737
31	Blackburn Rovers	W3-1		Wilkinson, Holdsworth, Penrice	9,096
Apr 7	Ipswich Town	D3-3		Hodges 2 (2 pen), Penrice	11,158

SUMMARY OF GOALSCORERS

Wilkinson 15, Penrice 13 (3 for Bristol Rovers), Hodges 9, Porter 5, Holdsworth 4, Thomas 4, Roberts 2, Roeder 2, Thompson 1, Falconer 1, Richardson 1, Ashby 1, Henry 1, Redfern 1 (now Oldham Athletic)

AGGREGATE home gates (including Cup):	245,377
Home League gates:	212,934
Away gates (including Cup):	249,403
Away League gates:	218,034
AVERAGE Home gates (including Cup):	10,668
Home League gates:	10,646
Away gates (including Cup):	11,336
Away League gates:	11,475

Welcome to

WATFORD

Colin Lee (Manager). He was appointed Watford's caretaker manager from Tuesday, March 20th until the end of the season, following the departure of Steve Harrison. He joined Watford in August 1989, as Youth Team Coach, after transferring from the same position at Brentford. Thirty three year old Colin was born in Plymouth, and started his playing days as a striker with Bristol City, moving on to Torquay United and Tottenham Hotspur, where he will always be remembered for scoring four goals on his Spurs debut in a 9-0 televised win over Bristol Rovers in October 1977. The latter days of his playing career were spent in Chelsea's back four, where he won a Division Two championship medal in 1983/84, before he moved on to Brentford and into a coaching role.

Tony Coton (Goalkeeper). Born Tamworth he joined Watford from Birmingham City for a fee of £300,000 in September 1984. Now in his sixth season at Vicarage Road he has made over 250 appearances for the Hornets. Only just failed, two years ago - he finished third - to become the first player to win the 'Player of the Season' award in three consecutive years. Watford's only ever-present during 88/89 season appearing in all of the 60 first team competitive matches.

Nigel Gibbs (Defender). Born St. Albans. He joined Watford as an apprentice. A former England Youth and Under-21 International. To the start of this season had made 146 League appearances.

Jason Drysdale (Defender). Born Bristol. Joined Watford youth team via the F.A. School of Excellence at Lilleshall. Spotted by Watford scouts whilst playing in Bristol area and signed as youth trainee in July 1987. An England Youth International, he made his Watford debut at Ipswich on October 31st 1989, just prior to his 19th birthday.

Lee Richardson (Midfield). Born Halifax. Made nine first team appearances last season, following his £125,000 transfer from his home town club, Halifax. Just turned 21 years of age, he scored his first goal for the Hornets in the 7-2 home win over Bradford City last December.

Barry Ashly (Defender). Born London. Joined Watford as a youth trainee in July 1987 and signed professional forms on December 1 the following year. The 19 year old was ever-present in Watford's FA Youth Cup winning side. Made his Hornets first team full debut at home against Wolves on November 25 last year.

Glyn Hodges (Forward). Born Streatham. Joined Watford on September 28, 1987 from

Newcastle in a £300,000 deal. He had previously been with Wimbledon, for whom he made 232 League appearances scoring 49 goals at both Full and Under-21 level. Last season's Player of the Year winner.

David Holdsworth (Defender). Born London. A former apprentice at the Club who signed professional forms in November 1986. An England Youth International and Captain. Made Watford debut in January '88 against Ipswich in Simod Cup.

Iwan Roberts (Forward). Born Bangor. Welsh Youth International who made his first team debut in March 1986 when only 17. Up to start of this season had in total 54 first team League appearances and scored nine goals.

Wayne Allison (Forward). Born Huddersfield. Like Lee Richardson, another purchase from Halifax Town. Signed last summer for Watford for a fee of £250,000. Made 106 appearances for the Yorkshire club scoring 29 goals. The 22 year old made his league debut for the Hornets in the 2-2 home draw with Bournemouth on October 17 1989.

Gary Penrice (Striker). Born Bristol. Snapped up by Bristol Rovers from local club Mangotsfield United, as have many other Rovers player. Transferred from Bristol Rovers on 10th November, 1989 for £500,000. Aged 25. Gary had made 200 appearances (plus four as substitute) and scored 63 goals for 'Rovers.

Gary Williams (Defender). Born Wolverhampton. Watford signed the defender on a free transfer from Leeds United on January 18th, 1990. Aged 29, Gary began his career at Aston Villa, where he made 296 appearances (plus five as a substitute), scoring 15 goals. He appeared in Villa's victorious European Cup-winning side of 1982. He joined Leeds in July 1987 for £235,000 making 44 outings for the Elland Road Club (plus one as substitute), scoring four goals.

Glenn Roeder (Defender). Born Woodford. Began his career as a schoolboy with Leyton Orient, making his League debut in March 1975. Three years later he joined Queens Park Rangers for £25,000 and in October 1983 moved to Newcastle United for £125,000. A holder of six England B caps, the vastly experienced 34 year old joined Watford on a free transfer during last summer.

Kenny Jackett (Midfielder). Born Watford. Established full Welsh International, whose father, Frank, also played for Watford. Normally plays on the left side of midfield, but has also appeared at the back. A one club man, he has made over 400 first team appearances for the club.

Willie Falconer (Defender). Born Aberdeen. Signed from Aberdeen for £300,000 in June 1988. The 24 year old is a former Scottish Youth International.

Rod Thomas (Forward). Born London. A former trainee with Watford, he signed professional forms for the club in May of 1988. An England Youth International.

Paul Wilkinson (Forward). Born Lough. Another costly summer '88 signing at £300,000 from Notts. Forest. An England Under-21 International he also played for Grimsby and Everton as well as Forest.

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Easter weekend – something a little bit different in this column which normally reports on games and goals in the Second Division – how about a day in the life of a GWRFM reporter.

My observations on Tuesday 3 April 1990.

The Breakfast Show went smoothly enough, partnering Simon Cooper, with our daily mix of music and news between 6 and 8.45, so far as I was concerned. Hopefully without anybody realising, I 'skipped' the final fifteen minutes of our 'double-header', leaving early so as to be able to catch the 9.30 train to London. I made it to the railway station with ten minutes to spare after being caught in the rush hour traffic from Wootton Bassett to Swindon (it makes you appreciate how uncongested the roads are at 4 o'clock in the morning!).

The journey included the standard B.R. breakfast and a leisurely read of the newspapers for their views on the days top local story in Wiltshire – the Appeal hearings into the so-called Swindon Town betting scandal. I arrived at London Paddington and then went on the tube to Oxford Circus. It was a long walk to Selfridges Hotel on Oxford Street and, ironically, Bond Street would have been

a closer underground destination.

Into the exclusive hotel and another chance to meet up with the massed ranks of the national media out in force to cover the events involving the three-man Football Association Commission, Brian Hillier, Lou Macari and Swindon Town.

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Hodgetts*
of GWR



The minutes and hours ticked by, punctuated only by the bill arriving for three cups of coffee – it totalled £4.80 – and regular appearances of delegates from a Wessex Regional Health Authority seminar in a room next to the 'main event' – they knew nothing of the soccer story which had occupied many of our minds for such a long time.

Eventually an announcement of the findings and a cat and mouse hunt to find Lou Macari and Brian Hillier – which ended in failure.

F.A. Chairman Bert Millichip was more forthcoming with details of their findings. He began with the revelation that Swindon Town had withdrawn their appeal, a decision apparently taken well in advance, but not released.

The race was then on to find a working 'phone. Our mobiles often found there weren't enough cells available to ring base, so we had to use call boxes.

With the information and interviews relayed to Wootton Bassett, it was time to go home, refreshed by more B.R. goodies.

And so to the County Ground, where the reserves lined up against Norwich, providing a reminder that Swindon Town is a football club.

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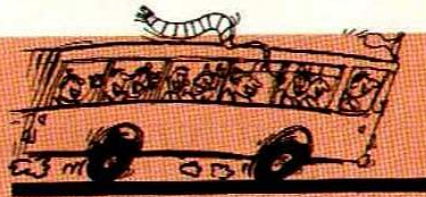
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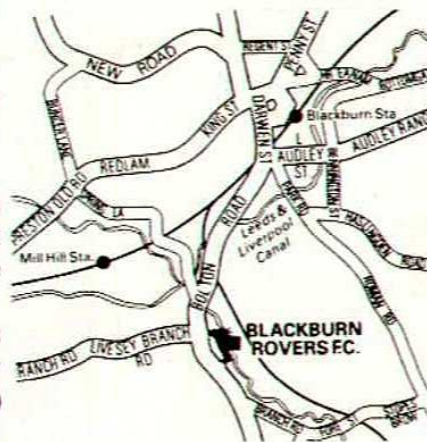
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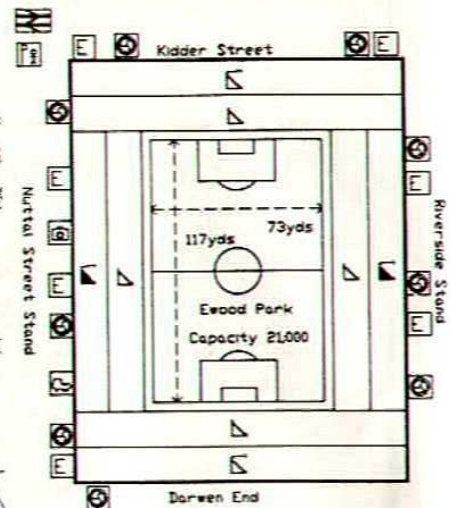
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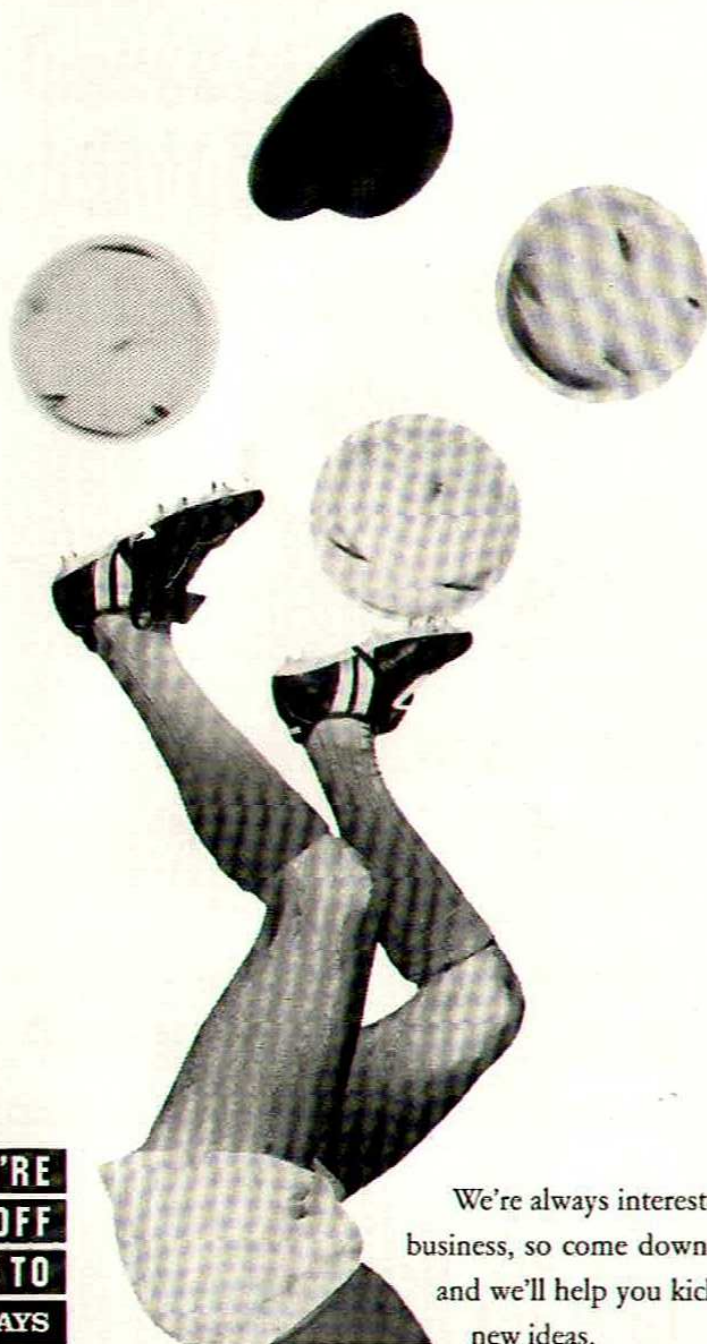
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DIVISION TWO
1989/90**



Date	Day	Home Team	Score	Goalscorer	Player Substituted	Number of Player Substituted	Home matches in bold type
Sat	Aug. 19	Sunderland	0-2	10,199 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Aug. 26	Oldham Athletic	2-2	5,531 Digby	Barnard	King	
Sun	Sept. 3	Wolverhampton Wanderers	3-1	10,213 Digby	Barnard	King	
Sat	Sept. 9	West Ham United	1-1	21,469 Digby	Barnard	King	
Tue	Sept. 12	Sheffield United	0-2	13,920 Digby	Barnard	King	
Sat	Sept. 16	Barnsley	0-0	6,540 Digby	Barnard	King	
Tue	Sept. 19	Shrewsbury (LC R1)	3-0	3,518 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Sept. 23	Leeds United	0-4	21,694 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Tue	Sept. 26	Plymouth Argyle 7.45	3-0	8,862 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Sept. 30	Bradford City	1-1	8,334 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Tue	Oct. 3	Shrewsbury (LC R1) 7.45	3-1	5,541 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Oct. 7	Hull City	3-2	5,366 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Oct. 14	Ipswich Town	3-0	8,039 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Tue	Oct. 17	Oxford United 7.45	3-0	10,718 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Oct. 21	Leicester City	1-2	5,547 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Tue	Oct. 24	Bolton Wers (LC R3) 7.45	3-3	8,318 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Wed	Nov. 1	Brighton & Hove Albion	2-1	8,070 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Nov. 4	Stoke City	6-0	7,825 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Tue	Nov. 7	Bolton Wers (LC R3) 7.45	1-1	11,533 Digby	Hockaday	King	
Sat	Nov. 11	Middlesbrough	2-0	13,720 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Nov. 14	Bolton Wers (LC R3) 7.45	1-1	14,129 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Nov. 18	Port Vale (F.A. Cup 1)	0-2	7,393 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Nov. 21	Bolton Wers (LC R3) 7.45	2-1	11,238 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sun	Nov. 26	Portsmouth 3pm	2-2	10,403 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Wed	Nov. 29	Southampton (LC R4) 7.45	0-0	15,965 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Dec. 2	Sheffield Wed	2-2	15,948 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Dec. 5	A.F.C. Bournemouth	2-3	7,328 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sun	Dec. 10	Sheffield Utd (F.A. Cup 2) 3pm	0-2	10,282 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Wed	Dec. 13	Millwall (ZDSC) 7.45	2-1	3,223 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sun	Dec. 17	West Bromwich Albion	2-1	9,894 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Dec. 26	Blackburn Rovers 3pm	4-3	8,426 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Dec. 30	Newcastle United	1-1	11,857 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Mon	Jan. 1	Watford	2-0	13,708 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Jan. 6	Bristol City (F.A. Cup 3)	1-2	17,488 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Jan. 13	Oldham Athletic	3-2	7,742 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Jan. 16	Southampton (LC R4) Replay	2-4	19,014 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Jan. 20	Wolverhampton Wanderers	1-2	12,101 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Wed	Jan. 24	Norwich City (ZDSC 7.45)	4-1	5,314 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sun	Feb. 4	Leeds United	3-2	16,209 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Feb. 10	Barnsley	1-0	7,179 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Feb. 13	Crystal Palace (ZDSC)	0-1	6,024 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sun	Feb. 18	West Ham Utd	2-2	16,105 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Feb. 24	Portsmouth	1-1	10,300 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Mar. 3	Port Vale	3-0	8,214 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Mar. 6	Bradford City 7.45	3-1	8,483 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Mar. 10	Plymouth Argyle	3-0	8,364 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Mar. 17	Hull City	1-3	8,123 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Mar. 20	Ipswich Town	0-1	11,655 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Mar. 24	Oxford United	2-2	8,282 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Mar. 31	Leicester City	1-1	8,462 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Apr. 7	A.F.C. Bournemouth	2-1	7,772 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Tue	Apr. 10	Brighton & Hove Albion 7.45	1-2	8,444 Digby	Cornwell	Bodin	
Sat	Apr. 14	Watford					
Mon	Apr. 16	Blackburn Rovers					
Sat	Apr. 21	West Bromwich Albion					
Wed	Apr. 25	Newcastle United					
Sat	Apr. 28	Middlesbrough					
Sat	May 5	Stoke City					

Key: ● Goalscorer * and † Player substituted and () number of player substituted Home matches in bold type

**SECOND DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE
(Up to and including 10.4.90)**

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leeds United	40	14	6	0	39	15	7	6	7	29	29	75
Sheffield United	40	11	8	4	35	23	9	7	4	30	25	72
Newcastle United	39	14	3	2	44	24	4	9	7	26	24	66
Swindon Town	40	10	5	5	44	27	8	6	6	28	27	65
Sunderland	40	10	7	3	37	26	7	6	7	25	31	64
Blackburn Rovers	40	9	7	4	40	28	7	8	5	28	26	63
Wolverhampton Wanderers	40	11	5	4	35	18	6	7	7	29	33	63
West Ham United	39	10	5	4	37	20	6	6	8	28	29	59
Oldham Athletic	37	12	6	1	39	20	3	6	9	13	25	57
Ipswich Town	39	11	7	2	32	18	4	5	10	21	36	57
Port Vale	39	10	8	2	33	17	3	6	10	19	30	53
Leicester City	39	9	7	4	29	22	4	6	9	28	38	52
Watford	40	10	4	6	35	24	3	8	9	18	28	51
Oxford United	39	6	6	6	35	29	6	2	11	18	28	50
Portsmouth	40	6	8	6	33	32	6	5	9	18	27	49
Brighton & Hove Albion	40	10	5	5	25	18	4	2	14	26	41	49
West Bromwich Albion	40	6	8	7	34	31	5	6	8	25	28	47
A.F.C. Bournemouth	40	8	6	7	28	27	3	6	10	23	36	45
Barnsley	39	7	7	6	19	19	4	3	10	21	43	45
Middlesbrough	38	8	3	7	24	22	3	6	11	17	31	42
Hull City	39	4	7	8	16	24	5	8	7	28	31	42
Plymouth Argyle	39	7	6	6	26	22	3	4	13	21	37	40
Bradford City	40	8	5	6	23	20	0	8	13	17	40	37
Stoke City	40	4	9	7	19	22	1	7	12	10	34	31

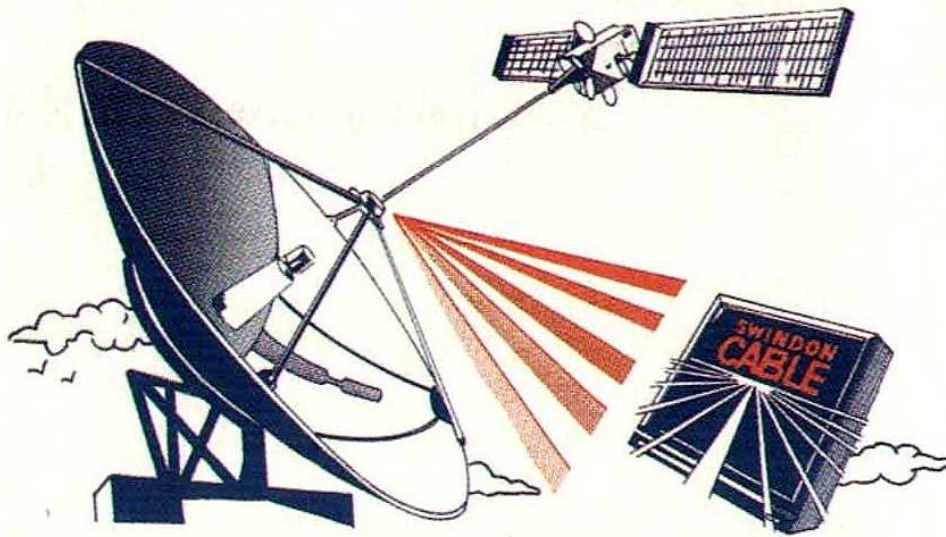
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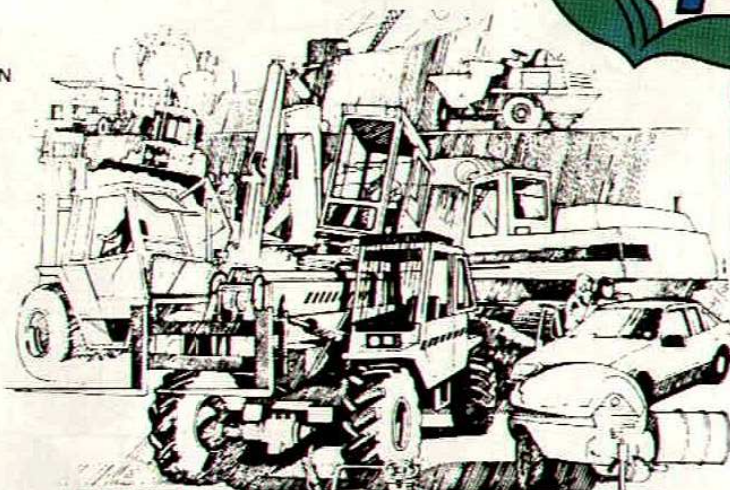
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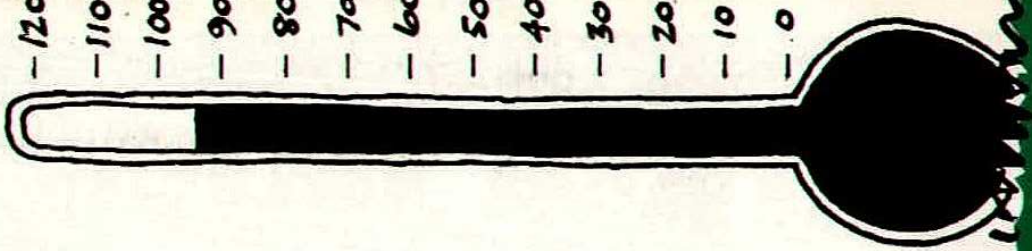
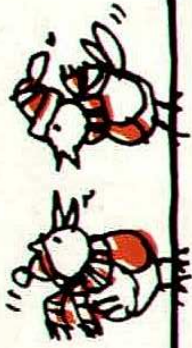
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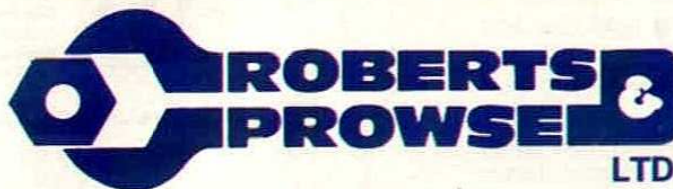


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RESERVES

'OVENDEN PAPERS' FOOTBALL COMBINATION LEAGUE TABLE
(up to Saturday 7th April 1990 but inconclusive)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Arsenal	34	23	6	5	74	46	75
Tottenham Hotspur	34	22	5	7	84	42	71
Millwall	36	19	11	6	56	34	68
Chelsea	32	18	6	8	68	41	60
Norwich City	34	18	6	10	62	39	60
Wimbledon	34	15	9	10	57	43	54
Oxford United	33	14	8	11	64	50	50
West Ham United	33	14	7	12	71	54	49
Swindon Town	36	15	3	18	57	65	48
Brighton & Hove Albion	34	13	6	15	48	62	45
Portsmouth	31	11	11	9	37	41	44
Luton Town	32	11	8	13	58	55	41
Ipswich Town	33	12	4	17	55	61	40
Queens Park Rangers	31	11	4	16	51	73	37
Crystal Palace	31	9	8	14	42	42	35
Southampton	35	8	11	16	42	57	35
Charlton Athletic	31	9	6	16	43	56	33
Reading	33	8	7	18	51	82	31
Watford	32	7	8	17	52	73	29
Fulham	33	4	6	23	22	78	18

RESERVES V READING

Result: Lost 2-0

A disappointing result for Swindon considering the amount of play we had and the good chances we created. After losing John Cornwell in the thirtieth minute with a suspected broken nose, Reading looked more dangerous and took the lead with an angled shot through Steve Moran.

Swindon completely dominated the second half and created chance after chance. Dixon, Close and Hunt all could have levelled the scores and Galvin was unfortunate to hit the foot of the post. Then, as often happens in these situations, Reading broke away to score their second, Moran ribbing the ball past Dearden to put the game beyond Swindon's reach.

RESERVES V NORWICH

Result: Won 3-2

Swindon showed great character by coming back from two goals down to halt a run of three successive defeats.

Smith and Taylor had scored from close range inside nine minutes, before Shaun Close pulled a goal back with a well placed header from Dave Hockaday's cross. We continued to take the game to Norwich and yet it was the visitors who came closest to increasing their lead.

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We got the equaliser we thoroughly deserved when Shaun Close poked home the ball to score his

Andy Rowland



'OVENDEN PAPERS' FOOTBALL COMBINATION 1989/90

Date		Opponents	Result
1989			
Wed	Aug 23	Portsmouth	2.00 H 2-0
Sat	26	Southampton	3.00 A 1-0
Tue	29	West Ham United	2.00 H 3-1
Sat	Sep 2	Wimbledon	3.00 A 2-3
Tue	5	Oxford United	2.00 H 0-4
Wed	13	Fulham	2.00 H 5-0
Wed	20	Ipswich Town	3.00 A 0-3
Wed	27	Chelsea	2.00 A 0-5
Mon	Oct 2	Millwall	2.00 H 3-1
Tue	10	Queens Park Rangers	2.00 H 1-2
Wed	18	Crystal Palace	2.00 A 1-2
Mon	23	Millwall	2.00 A 0-3
Tue	31	Luton Town	2.00 H 2-0
Tue	Nov 7	Wimbledon	7.30 H 2-0
Tue	14	Queens Park Rangers	2.00 A 4-2
Thu	23	Arsenal	7.30 H 0-1
Tue	28	Charlton Athletic	2.00 A 1-2
Tue	Dec 5	Brighton & Hove Albion	7.30 H 2-0
Sat	9	West Ham United	2.00 A 1-5
Tue	12	Portsmouth	7.00 A 0-0
Tue	19	Crystal Palace	7.30 H 2-3
1989			
Tue	Jan 9	Watford	7.30 H 1-1
Tue	16	Reading	7.30 H 2-4
Wed	24	Brighton & Hove Albion	7.15 A 2-0
Sat	27	Watford	3.00 A 1-1
Tue	30	Chelsea	7.30 H -
Fri	Feb 2	Norwich City	7.30 A 3-2
Tue	6	Tottenham Hotspur	7.30 H 1-0
Wed	14	Oxford United	7.30 A 3-0
Sat	17	Arsenal	3.00 A 3-2
Tue	20	Southampton	7.30 H 2-3
Wed	28	Fulham	2.00 A 1-2
Sat	Mar 10	Luton Town	2.00 A 2-2
Tue	13	Ipswich Town	7.30 H 4-2
Tue	20	Charlton Athletic	7.30 H 0-1
Wed	28	Reading	2.00 A
Tue	Apr 3	Norwich City	7.30 H
Tue	24	Tottenham Hotspur	2.00 A

second goal of the game and at this time we had really got a grip of the game. Therefore, it was no surprise when we took the lead, albeit somewhat fortunate when Norwich defender Andy Theodosion put through his own goal to give Swindon the points and a well deserved victory.



• John Cornwell - suspected broken nose.



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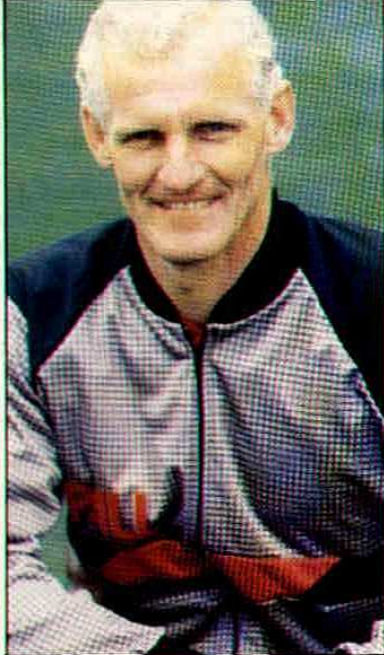
Wednesday 4th April 1990

Result: Won 7-0

Only being able to raise eleven players, due to illness and injuries, it took twenty seven minutes before we opened the scoring through Paul Thompson. Robert Spence added another shortly after to give us a two goal lead at half-time. Continuing to dominate play, Thompson and Spence went on to complete hat-tricks with Murray Fishlock scoring the other goal.

A very good team performance, never letting Thatcham use their physical advantage, by playing good football.

Team: Lovegrove, Thomson, Hall, Howell, Churchward, Murray, Sharland, Phillips, Spence, Thompson, Fishlock.



John Trollope

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES

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NORTHAMPTON TOWN

Saturday 7th April 1990

Result: Drew 0-0

A good start, playing some good football, saw Liam Dixon go through but hit the advancing 'keeper. Soon after, Wayne O'Sullivan crossed for Robert Spence to hit the bar. Another chance fell to Dixon, but again only hit the 'keeper with an attempted lob. The only threat from Northampton was a misplaced back-pass but, after intercepting, they put the shot wide.

Northampton came more into the game without really threatening to score, the defence and midfield defended well.

We had a large part of the play again but still lacked that finishing touch, the main reason why some good recent performances have not brought better rewards.

Team: Thompson, Thomson, Graham, Murray, Churchward, Hall, Walker, Spence, Dixon, Lea, O'Sullivan.

Substitutes: Phillips (for Thomson in 46 minute), Lovegrove.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES YOUTH TEAM SEASON 1989/90

Date 1989		Opponents	Result
Sat	Aug 19	Reading	11 am H 1-1
Sat	26	Oxford United	A 0-3
Sat	Sep 2	Wimbledon	11 am H 0-3
Sat	16	Tottenham Hotspur	11 am H 3-0
Sat	23	Aldershot	A 3-2
Sat	30	A.F.C. Bournemouth	A 3-1
Sat	Oct 7	Luton Town	11 am H 1-2
Sat	14	Colchester United	A 0-2
Sat	21	Wimbledon	A 0-0
Sat	28	Brighton & Hove Albion	11 am H 1-0
Sat	Nov 4	Northampton Town	11 am H 2-3
Sat	11	Southampton	11 am H 1-1
Sat	18	Bristol City	A 2-1
Sat	25	Crystal Palace	A 1-2
Sat	Dec 2	Bristol Rovers	A 3-2
Sat	9	Brentford	H 2-1
Sat	16	Tottenham Hotspur	A 0-1
Sat	Jan 6	Reading	A 0-2
Sat	13	Oxford United	11 am H 0-5
Sat	20	Wimbledon	A -
Sat	27	Aldershot	11 am H 1-5
Sat	Feb 3	Colchester United	12 noon H -
Sat	10	A.F.C. Bournemouth	11 am H 1-3
Sat	17	Brighton & Hove Albion	A 4-0
Sat	24	Brentford	A 0-4
Sat	Mar 3	Bristol City	11 am H 0-2
Sat	17	Luton Town	A 4-0
Sat	24	Southampton	A 1-0
Sat	31	Crystal Palace	11 am H
Sat	Apr 7	Northampton Town	A

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE CUP 1989/90

Date 1989		Opponents	Result
Sat	Sep 9	Portsmouth	11 am H 2-3

MIDLAND YOUTH CUP 1989/90

Date 1989		Opponents	Result
Wed	Aug 30	Peterborough United	A 3-0
Tues	Jan 23	Nottingham Forest	

FA YOUTH CUP

Date 1989		Opponents	Result
Mon	Oct 30	Portsmouth	7 pm H 2-3

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

Division Two

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Crystal Palace	25	20	4	1	58	17	44
Oxford United	22	16	2	4	56	24	34
Southampton	27	13	7	7	40	32	33
Wimbledon	26	13	5	8	50	24	31
Northampton Town	26	13	5	8	44	32	31
Colchester United	28	14	2	12	46	40	30
Reading	27	12	4	11	40	30	28
A.F.C. Bournemouth	28	10	6	12	45	43	26
Brighton & Hove Albion	24	11	3	10	39	33	25
Bristol City	27	11	3	13	38	37	25
Luton Town	25	8	9	8	33	41	25
Bristol Rovers	27	11	2	14	45	58	24
Brentford	27	7	6	14	39	47	20
Tottenham Hotspur	29	9	2	18	37	57	20
Swindon Town	28	8	3	17	31	56	19
Aldershot	26	3	1	22	25	95	7

SOUTHERN JUNIOR FLOODLIT CUP

Date 1989		Opponents	Result
Mon	Sep 11	West Bromwich Albion	A 0-2

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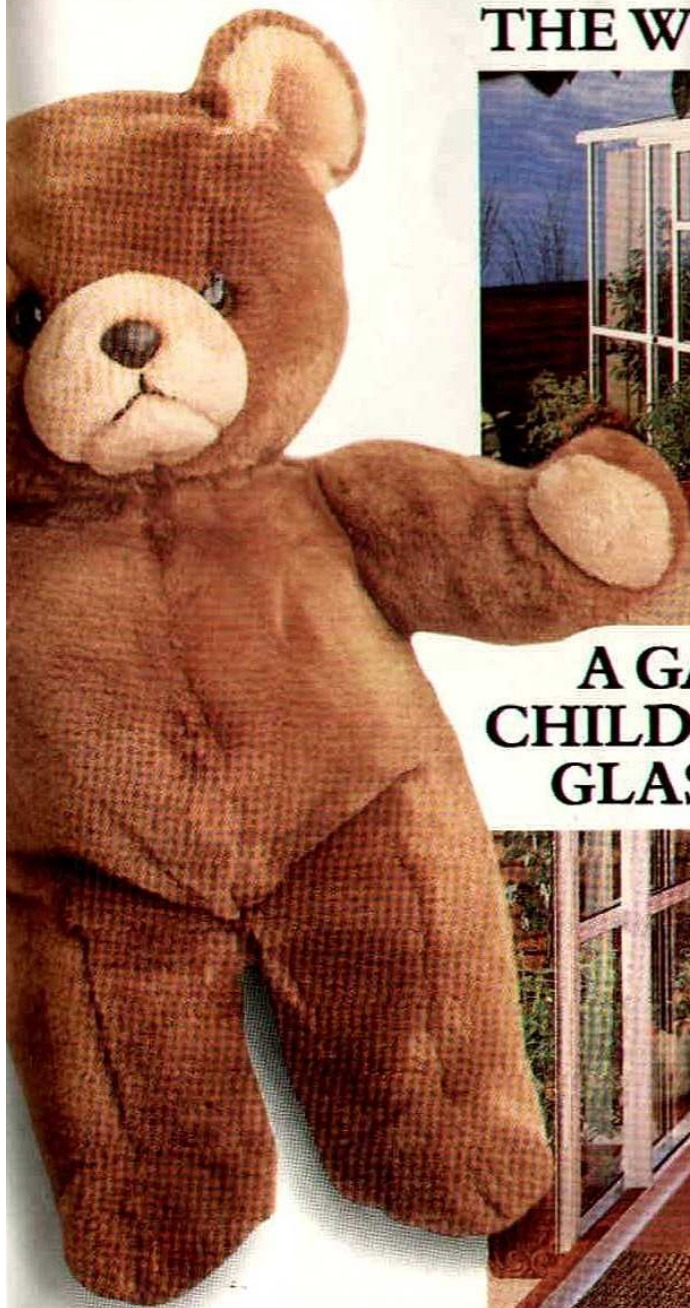
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TEAM NEWS

FRASER DIGBY. Was forced to miss last week's match at Bournemouth due to an eye infection, which ended a run of 111 consecutive appearances.



TONY COTON. Widely regarded as one of the country's leading keepers. Ever-present last season and so far this season.

DAVID KERSLAKE. Hasn't missed a game since making his debut in our 2-2 draw with Portsmouth last November. 24th League appearance this afternoon.



GARY WILLIAMS. Signed from Leeds United in January. Has played at right-back in place of Nigel Gibbs recently. 14th appearance for Watford this afternoon.

PAUL BODIN. Signed from Newport County for £25,000 in March 1988. Can play at full-back or in midfield.



JASON DRYSDALE. 19 year old who has broken into the first team this season. Made his debut at Ipswich last October. 14 League appearances to date.

ALAN McLOUGHLIN. Scored the two goals which secured our 2-0 win at Vicarage Road on New Year's Day.



GERALD HARRISON. 17 year old who only recently signed professional forms. Made an impressive debut in last week's 3-3 draw with Ipswich.

COLIN CALDERWOOD. Bargain £27,500 signing from Mansfield Town in July 1986. Makes his 220th League appearance for Swindon this afternoon.



DAVID HOLDSWORTH. Having a fine season at the heart of the Hornet's defence. Capped last year at England Under-21 level.

JON GITTENS. Scored another vital goal last week at Dean Court to secure the three points against A.F.C. Bournemouth.



GLENN ROEDER. The summer signing from Newcastle has missed just one League game this season. Scored one League goal - in Watford's 1-1 draw at Leicester City.

TOMMY JONES. Scored on his Swindon debut at Vicarage Road in our 3-2 win over Watford last season, following his move from Aberdeen.



ROD THOMAS. One of four teenagers in the Watford line-up. The former England Youth International will be making his 50th League appearance for Watford this afternoon.

DUNCAN SHEARER. Scored with a spectacular 25-yard volley in last season's win at Watford which was the Scot's first League goal for the 'Town'.



PAUL WILKINSON. Has four England Under-21 International caps to his credit. Scored 22 goals last season, and has 15 so far this term.

STEVE WHITE. Will be making the 400th League appearance of his career this afternoon which includes games for Luton, Charlton, Lincoln and Bristol Rovers.



GARY PENRICE. The former Bristol Rovers striker got off to a flying start for Watford with 7 goals in his first 8 games, but then went 14 without a goal.

ROSS MACLAREN. Shrewsbury (161 League games) and Derby County (122) are his previous clubs. This is his 78th League game for Swindon.



WILLIE FALCONER. Signed for £300,000 from Aberdeen where he was a team mate of Tommy Jones.

FITZROY SIMPSON. Scored his second goal of the season and his first of 1990 at Bournemouth last week.



GLYN HODGES. Scored two penalties last week as Watford recovered a point after going 2-0 down at home to Ipswich Town.

JOHN CORNWELL. Supplied the cross from which Jon Gittens headed our winning goal last week.



BARRY ASHBY. Another of the current crop of Watford youngsters to have made their first team debuts this season. Scored in the 7-2 win over Bradford City.

SHAUN CLOSE. Replaced Steve White in the Bournemouth match and produced a fine display against his former club.



IWAN ROBERTS. Was put on the transfer-list earlier this season after losing his first team place. Has made must 10 appearances so far this season.

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