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# It's Half Time

Once again, welcome to the County Ground, where tonight we welcome the players, officials and supporters who have made the long journey from Darlington.

The away match at Feethams proved to be a traumatic experience for us all, with our new player, Dave Bennett, breaking his leg which is very sad for all professionals in the game to see. We all wish him a speedy recovery. We have a big mountain to climb, 3-0 down from the 1st leg but the task, however, very difficult is not insurmountable, therefore the players need your support tonight.

Last season we were very fortunate with injuries, playing with the same team for twenty-three consecutive games, this is not the case this season, where we have been very unfortunate indeed with injuries, at this moment I don't even know who is going to be fit.

Since my last notes we have played Darlington and after a 0-0 scoreline at half time, the horrible experience of Dave Bennett affected us so much that somehow we capitulated in the second half. Against Millwall, I felt we were very unlucky not to collect three points, their method was to try and stop us playing fluent football and even though they succeeded in terms of the result I was more than happy with the overall team performance. At Boundary Park, Oldham last Tuesday evening, we were unfortunate to be on the losing end of a thrilling and exciting game which could have gone either way right until the last minute, no complaints about the surface(!), in fact one national newspaper reporter described our performance as that of a home team when referring to the pitch. On Saturday at Brighton, in rather bad conditions for attractive football, we were involved in

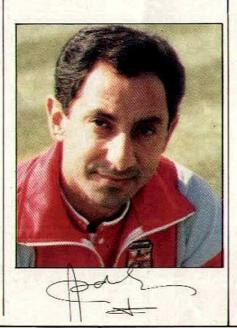
another entertaining game providing excellent value for money. Although disappointed with the final result, again I was more than happy with our attitude and performance, particularly coming back from behind to level the scores.

Our injury list at present reads as follows: Colin Calderwood is due to have an operation very shortly, after which we will be in a position to assess his period of rehabilitation. Dave Bennett is out of hospital and will be incapacitated for three months. Other injury worries surround Duncan Shearer and Steve Foley but are of a relatively minor nature, currently both showing signs of improvement.

We welcome to the County Ground Micky Hazard and Nicky Tanner, the latter on loan from Liverpool whom we thank for their help and assistance.

Dreaming of the time when we are going to be in a position to field our strongest team, I once more plead for your support.

Enjoy the game.



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Front cover: The Town's new signing Mike Hazard with on-loan defender Nicky Tanner.

# Welcome to the players, officials and supporters of

## DARLINGTON



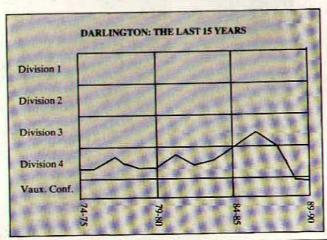
#### DARLINGTON FOOTBALL CLUB - SEASON 1990/91

Back row left to right: David Cork, Mick Tait, Mark Prudhoe, Matthew Coddington, Phil Linacre.

Middle row left to right: Drew Coverdale, Gary Coatsworth, Jim Willis, Kevan Smith, Michael Trotter, David Corner, John Borthwick.

Front row left to right: Les McJannet, Andy Toman, David Geddis, Frank Gray (Assistant Manager), Brian Little (Manager), Tony McAndrew (Youth Team Coach), Steve Mardenberough, Gary Gill, Paul Emson.

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# The squad

Brian Little (Manager). Took charge at Feethams in February, 1989. Brian played for Aston Villa from 1969 as an apprentice until he was forced to retire through injury in 1982 having played 247 games and scoring 60 goals. He was capped for England v Wales in 1975. After a spell as Manager of Wolverhampton Wanderers he became Reserve Team Coach at Middlesbrough where he remained until moving to Darlington.

Frank Gray (Player/Coach).

Signed last season from neighbours
Sunderland. A classy defender he
played a total of over 150 games
with them. Other clubs in a
distinguished career include Leeds
and Nottingham Forest playing in
over 400 matches for those clubs. A
former Scottish International,
Frank is seen as an integral part of
the rebuilding programme now
being undertaken at Feethams.

Drew Coverdale (Defender). Aged 20, signed last season from Middlesbrough, a young full back full of potential.

Gary Coatsworth (Midfield). Aged 21, signed last season from Barnsley, where he played over 30 games. A north east lad born in Sunderland.

Kevan Smith (Defender). Aged 30, signed last season for £10,000 from York City and enjoying his second spell with the Quakers having previously played 275 games for the club. Other clubs include Rotherham United and Coventry City.

Andy Toman (Midfield). Aged 28, signed last season from neighbours Hartlepool United for a club record fee of £40,000. Andy played over 100 games for Hartlepool and was a prolific goalscorer from midfield for them. He also played 24 games for Lincoln City.

John Borthwick (Forward). Aged 26, signed last season from Hartlepool United. John had played over 100 games for them and Darlington is only his second club. Brought in as part of a completely new strike force for last season.

Michael Trotter (Defender). Aged 20, signed in the close season from Middlesbrough in an exchange deal involving Dale Anderson. Michael was a regular in Boro's reserve side last season as well as having games on loan to Doncaster.

David Cork (Forward). Aged 27, signed August 1989 from Scunthorpe United, David was part of the team who narrowly missed out on promotion in 1988/89. Previously played over 100 games with Huddersfield Town, David started his career with Arsenal appearing in their first team seven times.

Jim Willis (Defender). Aged 22, signed from Stockport County for £10,000 in March 1988. A strong uncompromising centre half, Jim has played 100 games for the club.

Les McJannet (Defender). Aged 29, signed from Scarborough for £8,000 in February 1989 and finished the season an ever-present at right back with 21 games. Les also played for Mansfield Town and has played over 150 games for his three league clubs.

Mark Prudhoe (Goalkeeper). Aged 27, signed from Carlisle United for £15,000 in March 1989. Has played over 100 games in the Football League and other clubs include Sunderland, Birmingham and Walsall.

David Corner (Defender). Aged 24, David started his career with Sunderland playing in a Milk Cup final at Wembley against Norwich City. Signed last season from Leyton Orient he was a member of their successful 1988/89 promotion squad.

Gary Gill (Midfield). Aged 25, signed in December 1989 from Middlesbrough for a fee of £20,000. Gary played in the First Division for Middlesbrough last season and has over 70 Football League games to his credit.

Phil Linacre (Forward). Aged 28, signed from Newcastle Blue Star for an undisclosed fee. Phil is a prolific goalscorer who was previously with Bishop Auckland, has had Football League experience with Hartlepool United.

Steve Mardenborough (Forward).
Aged 26, signed from Cheltenham
Town last season. Steve has
Football League experience with
Coventry, Wolves, Cambridge,
Swansea and Newport as well as
playing in the Swedish first
division.

David Geddis (Forward). Aged 32, signed last season from Swindon ad scored on his debut. He was a member of the Ipswich Town F.A. Cup winning team in 1978 and has also enjoyed vast Football League experience with Aston Villa and Birmingham.

**Matthew Coddington** 

(Goalkeeper). Aged 20, signed from Middlesbrough during the close season. Matthew was on loan at Feethams during the end of the 1989/90 season.

Mick Tait (Midfield). Signed in the close season from Reading, Mick has vast experience having played over 500 League games for Oxford, Carlisle, Hull, Portsmouth and Reading, scoring over 100 goals in the process.

# PAUL PLOWMAN continues his season by season look back at Swindon Town through the years.

#### 1963/64

Swindon Town staged its first ever Second Division game at the County Ground on August 24, 1963. It was witnessed by 18,451, some five thousand above the average for the previous season.

'Ernie' Hunt had the honour of claiming the first Division Two goal, sixteen minutes into a 3-0 win over Scunthorpe United. He ended the season as he had the previous three, by leading the Town's list of goalscorers.

The opening day success was followed by two victories away, at Grimsby and Portsmouth. Then, there were three games back at the County Ground and again they resulted in wins, the last being an emphatic 3-0 scoreline against Manchester City.

A trip to Elland Road and a return fixture at Maine Road would surely topple Swindon's unbeaten record. No so. Both ended 0-0.



'Ernie' Hunt top scorer for the fourth successive season.

But the sequence had to come to an end. And it did, in dramatic fashion, on the last weekend in September. Northampton, who had accompanied Swindon up from the Third, crushed the Town 4-0. Frank Large, soon to become a Swindon player, scored twice.

By avoiding defeat until the tenth game, Swindon Town had equalled a League record for a promoted club that had stood for nearly forty years.

Throughout September and October, the Division Two side remained unchanged. Turner, Dawson, Trollope, Morgan, McPherson, Woodruff, Summerbee, Hunt, Smith, Smart and Rogers was how they lined-up in twelve successive League games – the longest sequence in the history of the club until the mammoth 22 game run of last season.

The attendance record at the County Ground was smashed twice during 1963/64. The visit of Manchester City attracted 28,173 (beating the previous record set in 1952) and another 409 squeezed in for a Fifth Round F.A. Cup tie with West Ham. Both games broke the gate receipts record, the Cup tie being the first at which £5,000 was taken.

The Londoners, 3-1 winners on that occasion, performed a Cup 'double' over the Town, with a Fourth Round League Cup victory at Upton Park after a 3-3 draw at the County Ground.

A 6-0 reverse at Roker Park on February 1 in front of 41,334 – the largest crowd ever to watch the Town in a League game – began a sequence of five League defeats. Following the fifth, at Newcastle, wing-half Bobby Woodruff was transferred to Wolves. His

departure followed that of the popular centre-forward Jack Smith to Brighton.

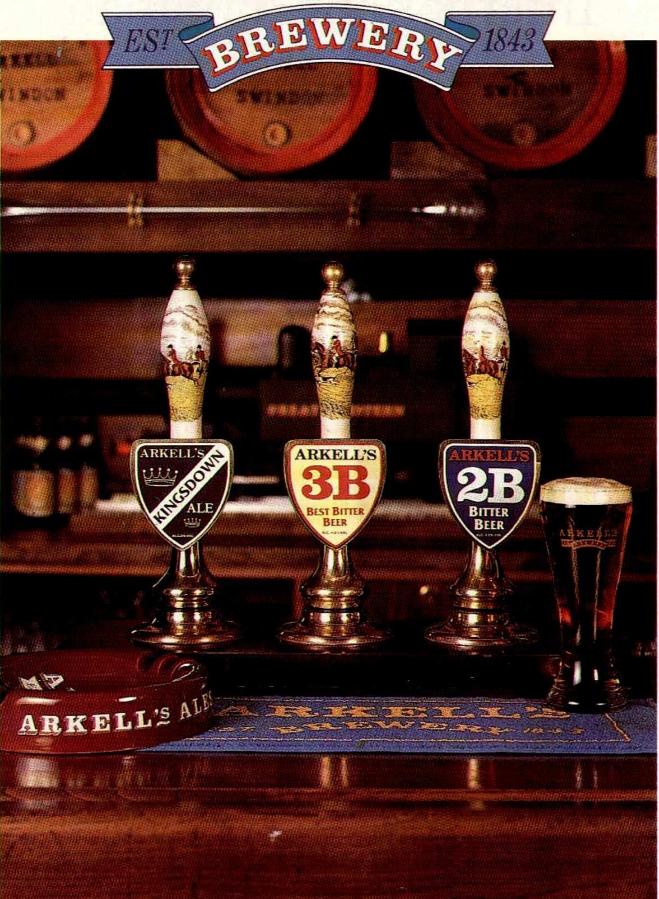
Another five successive defeats saw Swindon plunge from fifth to fourteenth place. In fact, they won only three of the seventeen League games played after the turn of the year.

The aforementioned Large was joined by another newcomer in March, Hartlepools' goalkeeper Norman Oakley. He was still playing in his native north-east in 1989, at the age of fifty!

#### FOOTBALL LEAGUE - DIVISION II

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town	9	7	2	0	18	4	16
Sunderland	9	6	1	2	14	6	13
Middlesbrough	9	5	2	2	25	10	12
Preston North End	9	4	4	1	21	17	12
Bury	9	5	1	3	18	14	11
Leeds United	8	3	4	1	12	7	10
Leyton Orient	9	4	2	3	11	9	10
Manchester City	9	4	2	3	14	12	10
Derby County	9	4	2	3	10	9	10
Southampton	9	3	3	3	21	16	9
Newcastle United	9	4	1	4	19	17	
Northampton T.	8	4	1	3	13	12	9
Huddersfield T.	9	4	1	4	15	16	100
Charlton Athletic	9	4	1	4	17	22	
Cardiff City	9	3	2	4	11	16	
Rotherham Utd.	9	2	3	4	11	18	
Portsmouth	9	2	3	4	11	18	7
Swansea Town	9	2	3	4	10	17	
Grimsby Town	9	2	2	5	10	19	6
Norwich City	9	1	3	5	14	350	
Plymouth Argyle	9	0	4	5	10	20	1 4
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How they stood on September 21st 1963 ARKELLE



# International Football

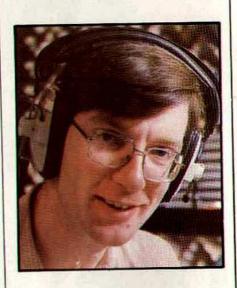
Let us consider international football as the countdown continues to England's first European Championship qualifying game against Poland at Wembley next week (October 17th).

Manager Graham Taylor said "evolution not revolution" at a news conference on taking the job. He lost two senior players who retired from the game at the level, Terry Butcher and Peter Shilton, and the injured Steve Hodge and Brian Robson, for the victory over Hungary and called up Nigel Martyn, Lee Dixon, Gary Pallister and Nigel Winterburn. We could have gleaned a clue to his future thinking from the "standby" squad including Ian Wright. He's not made it to the full senior party after scoring for Crystal Palace against Derby at the Baseball Ground in front of the new national team boss. The 26 year old striker is well known to football fans from Wiltshire, having scored against Swindon in the Town's promotion play-off semi-final of 1989. After being well shackled in the first leg here at the County Ground, he broke loose at the return match at Selhurst Park and was outstanding in the summer F.A. Cup final. He's been linked to a variety of other clubs recently, including Liverpool and Marseilles. He's in with a fitagain Hodges while Pallister and Winterburn make way for their inclusion. Up front, Steve Bull will play for Wolves on Saturday (October 13th) unlike his First Division colleagues who have the day off (many of them now reportedly barred from a testimonial for Graham Rix on the same afternoon – an F.A. spokesman says the idea of postponing the League games is so that players can train and prepare together without the risk of injury).

Before the home match with the men from Molineux captain Colin Calderwood said playing against such players could only improve an individuals game - I'm sure he had no idea of how he would leave the stadium that evening. On standby, goalkeeper Nigel Spink, seven years from his last representative honours, Tony Adams (again), Nigel Clough (who is said to to have a "good football brain" and Dennis Wise, the Chelsea winger who's just had a 3-matchsuspension for a sending off. He's the surprise choice this time maybe promotion for him next time(!) to add a new freshness and edge to the playing party.

There are six new names in the Under-21's including Jason Dodd and Alan Shearer who lined up for Southampton in last seasons Littlewoods Cup gam against the Town. That European Championship fixture is at Tottenham Hotspur's White Hart Lane on October 16th. That's a grade of the game reached by Swindon's Fraser Digby whose fellow former Manchester United junior is now stealing the headlines - Alan McLoughlin. Having given him the good news that Jack Charlton wants him for the Turkey tie in Dublin, he said he was naturally delighted and enjoys the atmosphere but doesn't necessarily expect to be "in from the off" because Andy Townsend and Ronnie Whelan are also included.

SHAUN HODGETTS OF GWR FM WITH HIS "IN-DEPTH" LOOK AT THE FOOTBALL SCENE



No mention so far of Paul Bodin, already with 2 Welsh caps to his name as a left back, or David Kerslake, linked by one national newspaper to the England number two shirt. One of Graham Taylor's assistants, Keith Birkinshaw – the former Spurs boss – is now scouting for "The Gaffer". He saw us fight back for a 4-2 defeat of Oxford. As well as being a former working colleague of Ossie Ardiles and Peter Day, he could have been checking on current form.

Keep it GWR FM for the latest information.



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#### Dave Bennett/Steve Foley

Our grateful thanks are extended to the staff in casualty who treated Steve Foley and the surgical team who attended to Dave Bennett during his stay at The Darlington District General Hospital. Dave left hospital last week and is currently back home in Coventry. Any get well cards for Dave should be sent to Michelle at the club who will forward them on.

#### Rumbelows League Cup Draw on T.V.

The draw for the Third Round of the Rumbelows League Cup will be made on ITV's Midweek Sports Special tomorrow evening following Rumbelows League Cup highlights.

#### **New Advisers**

The club has recently appointed Travers Morgan as Project Management and Consulting Engineer to assist with future planning projects and improvements at the County Ground.

#### The Vice Presidents Club

An informal meeting was held recently with the clubs Executive Members to discuss their future involvement with the club.

#### **Ground Development**

Talks have taken place recently with the Safety Committee concerning the re-allocation of home supporters to the Town End. This will coincide with other alterations and repositioning of internal barriers to allow away supporters to be allocated an enlarged area in the wedge.

May we ask all season ticket holders currently in the wedge to contact the ticket office should they not have heard from the club by October 20th 1990.

An announcement will be made on the progress of this project in due course.

#### Ticket Office Sales

We have now taken delivery of the computerised 'Arena' Ticket Equipment supplied by Synchro Systems, which will enhance the sale and distribution of tickets.

A programme of staff training is currently being undertaken.

Information concerning credit card sales will follow shortly.

#### Rumbelows Man of the Match Award

Rumbelows will present a 21" Sony Teletext television to the Swindon Town Man of the Match.

The Man of the Match will be selected by our friends from the disabled enclosure.

Oxford United FC Manor Ground Headington Oxford 25th September 1990

Dear Sir.

I would be delighted if, via your matchday programme, you could say a big thank you to all the Swindon supporters who travelled to Oxford last Saturday. They, through their encouragement, helped to make the pre-match sponsored relay by the Oxford Schools FA a memorable day for the youngsters.

Best Wishes Malcolm Flias Youth, Schools & Community Officer (Oxford United)

#### **Rumbelows Special Offer**

Anyone presenting this programme at Rumbelows off 77 Regent Street, Swindon or 21/23 High Street, Chippenham, will receive 5% discount on all purchases. This offer also applies to anyone holding a Swindon Town FC Membership Card.

This offer holds until the end of the 1990/91 season.

#### **Travel Club**

The Club would like to express its grateful thanks to the members of the Travel Club Committee for their recent help and assistance in relocating.

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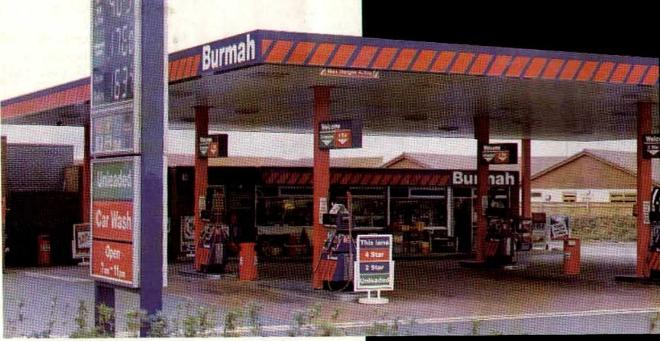
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# October . . . a busy month

October is a busy month for those of us involved in the horse racing industry. It is the month of the Yearling Sales.

The Sales are a period of oxygen, optimism, and building for the future. What a trainer acquires at the Yearling Sales creates either success or failure for the stables over the following two years.

Trainers buy most of the horses that end up in the yard, but some are bought by bloodstock agents, like myself.

Tonight I am in Ireland on the eve of the Irish National Yearling Sale at Kill, in Co. Kildare. This is the Sale where 302 yearlings are offered without reserve, all of which qualify to run in the Cartier Million the following October for a first price of IR£500,000.

The past season has been a lucky and successful one for the few friends for whom I buy horses.

Pontenuovo, trained by David Elsworth, has won four races worth over £120,000, for my oldest client Walter Mariti, the Chelsea restauranteur.

Walter, like most Italians, is a keen football enthusiast, following the fortunes of Fiorentina (Florence). During the World Cup, the normally impeccable service in his restaurants, Pontevecchio and Pontenuovo, is liable to be erratic.

His staff keep in touch with the domestic game through a weekly, privately produced video cassette featuring the highlights of the previous Sunday's top Italian League games.

A smart entrepreneur coins a neat income through this service to the Italian community in London.

The down-side of October from a personal point of view is that the Sales, and the end of the Flat Racing season, make it impossible for me to get to Swindon Town F.C.

Roll on the jumping at Chepstow and Cheltenham in November and December. Footballers have enjoyed very mixed fortunes as racehorse owners. Alan Ball had a decidedly rocky relationship with racing, while Emlyn Hughes fared little better.

Peter Shilton is the biggest football-playing racehorse owner at present. Peter has horses with Richard Hannon and Mark Tompkins, notably Between The Sticks and What a Save.

A recent addition to the ranks of owners is Mel Sterland, who has a colt called King Cracker with the young northern trainer Micky Hammond. King Cracker is not well-named, Damp Squid would be more appropriate.

The only occasion I was able to lure Swindon Town F.C. players into ownership was when Chic Bates, Kenny Stroud and Brian Williams each had a share with me in a filly called Sea Aura.

The partnership was Ken's initiative, and the filly carried his red, white and blue colours to a memorable, well-supported, success at Lingfield in October, 1990 ridden by L. Piggott.

The champagne bar was busily occupied until well after sundown. The race was on a Thursday, with 48 hours to recover before the game against Millwall on Saturday. The boys claimed they were in top form . . . I was at Ascot, so cannot comment!

Sea Aura took us to some smart racecourses as a three-year-old, including York, Ascot and Goodwood, where she ran against some classic fillies.

She is now a broodmare, and has bred two winners, Shantyman and Koracle Bay.

Lou Macari is back in the news and I for one, hope that he finds a position in football that his talents deserve.

That does not encompass membership of Bristol City F.C. JOURNALIST, RACING COMMENTATOR AND SWINDON TOWN FAN JULIAN WILSON GIVES HIS PERSONAL VIEW



Julian Lli/c

Such a move would herald the end of our long-lasting friendship!

A great deal of wicked, mischievous rubbish has been spoken and written about Lou. Genuine Swindon Town supporters know that:—

- a) He transformed our Football Club from a struggling Division IV unit, to what Bruce Rioch described as one of the best teams in the Football League.
- b) The Club came before everything with Lou – even his long-suffering and delightful wife Dale.
- None of the alleged financial irregularities were contrived for his own personal profit.

Lou is a wasted talent at present.



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#### TICKET OFFICE

#### Bristol Rovers - Saturday 13th October 1990

This match is not all ticket.

Tickets may be purchased from The Ticket Office to Members during normal office hours and on the day of the game.

#### West Ham United - Saturday 20th October 1990

This match will be ALL TICKET FOR WEST HAM UNITED SUPPORTERS ONLY.

Visiting supporters will be positions in THE TOWN END (SEATING)

and THE WEDGE (TERRACING).

(No tickets will be sold to West Ham supporters on the day of the game).

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#### TICKETS FOR HOME SUPPORTERS

North Stand seats are available to Members from Ticket Office during normaly office hours Monday - Friday 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

#### POLICE NOTICE

#### Unacceptable/Distruptive Behaviour Shrivenham Road Terrace/Stratton Bank End

There is a vociferous minority of youths in this Section of the Terraces whose behaviour I have filmed since the start of the Season. Their behaviour is not acceptabel to the Club, its genuine Supporters and the Police.

If this behaviour does not improve, those responsible will be ejected from the County Ground, their Membership Cards seized and they will be banned from attending football for the remainder of this Season.

I hope it does not come to ejections and those youths responsible behave. We have a good record here at the County Ground and I do not intend it to be spoilt by stupid behaviour.

'Ernie' WISE Football Intelligence Officer

#### YOUTH TEAM

Forthcoming matches

Midland Youth Cup

Swindon Town v Shrewsbury Town

Monday 22nd October 1990

Kick-Off 7.00 p.m.

Admiss	ion	p	ni	ce	s:			
North Stand (Adults) .								 £1.50
(Children)								
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Top: Retirement for Doug Woodman.

Bottom: Alan Vockins of Metalite Engineering Ltd. present sponsors Man of the Match Award to Fraser Digby, accompanied by his wife Tracey, at the match against Millwall.



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#### On the road Leicester

Wednesday October 24 1990

#### Route

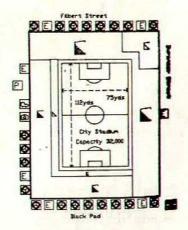
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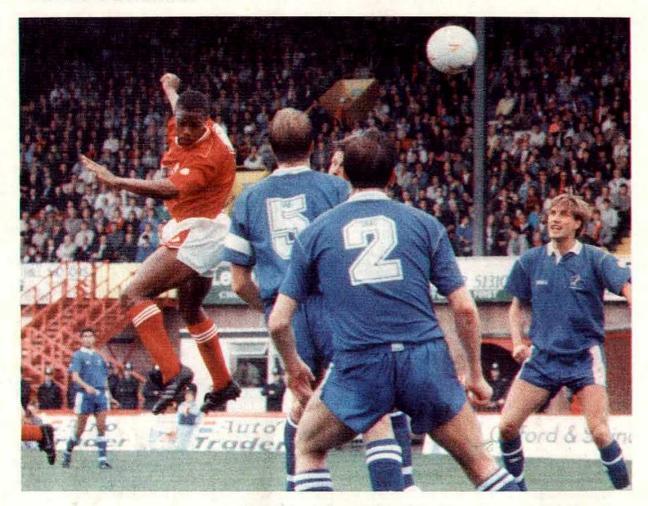
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#### Plan of Filbert Street ground



#### Match Action



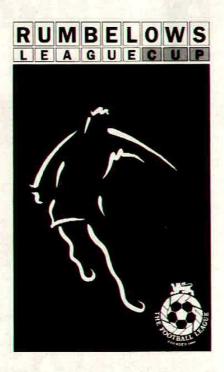


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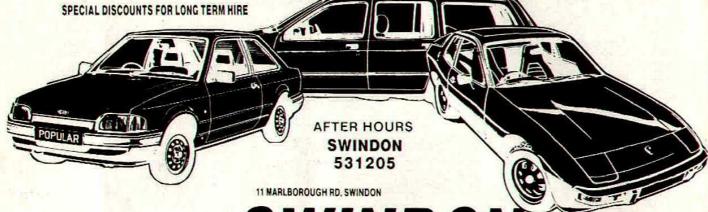
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TWO goals in five minutes gave Swindon a point they always seemed likely to grab.

The Robins were two down at halftime. But with a gale blowing behind them off the English Channel they were always in with a chance against the Seagulls.

And they took that chance with less than 10 minutes to go when first Alan McLoughlin and then Steve Brighton 3 Swindon 3

By STEVE WHITING

White forced them level.

Man-of-the-match McLoughlin formed a midfield duo with new boy Micky Hazard that will make the Second Division look up and take notice.

But in this match the Irish international also scored two goals.

The first came after only five minutes when Swindon could have been two up

Fraser Digby's two errors had let Brighton in for their 3-1 halftime lead.

He dropped a header from Mike Small between his legs for their second goal.

Then he took too many steps in the area to give away a free kick that Clive Walker set up for John Byrne, who curled in the third.

> MAN OF THE MATCH McLoughlin (Swindon)

↑ Sunday Mirror 7.10.90

# Swindon rescue Digby

**Brighton 3 Swindon 3** 

blunders

by Mike Staniforth

SWINDON came to the rescue of their fumbling goalkeeper Fraser Digby with a spirited second-half comeback that salvaged a point at the Goldstone Ground.

Digby, a former England Under-21 player, had a nightmare first-half in the wind and rain, gifting the home side three goals.

But Swindon, inspired by international midfielder Alan McLoughlin, took charge in the second half to pull back a two-goal deficit and keep up their promotion challenge. Swindon opened the scoring thanks to a moment of Mickey Hazard magic. He jinked his way past a static Brighton defence to the byline and his cross was eventually stabbed home by McLoughlin.

But Digby quickly undid that good work. First he lost Mark Barham's corner in the wind and Steve Gatting headed home unmarked.

Then within two minutes Digby fumbled an innocuous shot from Mike Small and allowed it to slide over the line, and despite protests, the linesman was perfectly placed to confirm Small's sixth goal of the season.

Digby's third mistake was pure farce. He jokingly encroached within ten yards at an indirect free kick within his own box after the referee had spent a considerable time warning his colleagues about that very offence.

But before he could get back into position, John Byrne had slotted a shot into the far corner. Swindon had much the better of the second half and hit back with a superb second goal by McLoughlin.

Five minutes later they were level as Steve White whipped home a rebound after a shot had been beaten out by Brighton gualkeeper Perry Digweed.

BRIGHTON: Digweed, Crumplin, Gatting, Wilkins, McCarthy, Chivers, Barham, Ayrne, Small, Codner, Walker, SWINDON: Digby, Kerslake, Bodin, McLoughlin, Tanner, Giffens, Hazard, Shearer (mj. 35, sub Close) White, MacLaten, Simpson, REFEREE: P Foukes (Clarton).

← Sunday Express 7.10.90

## Junior Robins Notes

As some of you may know, John Timms has recently resigned. I would like to place on record the thanks of all at the club for the time and effort he has put in over a number of years. He has organised many away trips single handed and his home has often become a second club office with enquiries flooding in about match details. To do all this in a purely voluntary capacity while trying to run a business shows how dedicated John has been to the club. Please accept our grateful thanks John and our best wishes for the future.

Teams for the matches with Bristol Rovers Junior Supporters will be posted in the Commercial Office by Wednesday lunchtime. These matches will start at 11.00 p.m.

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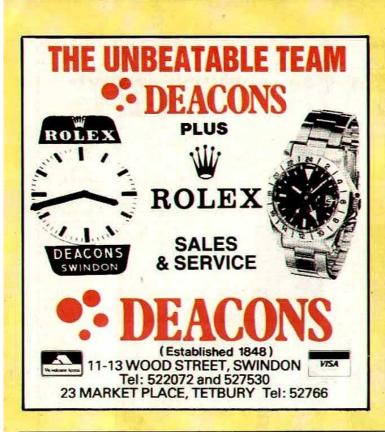
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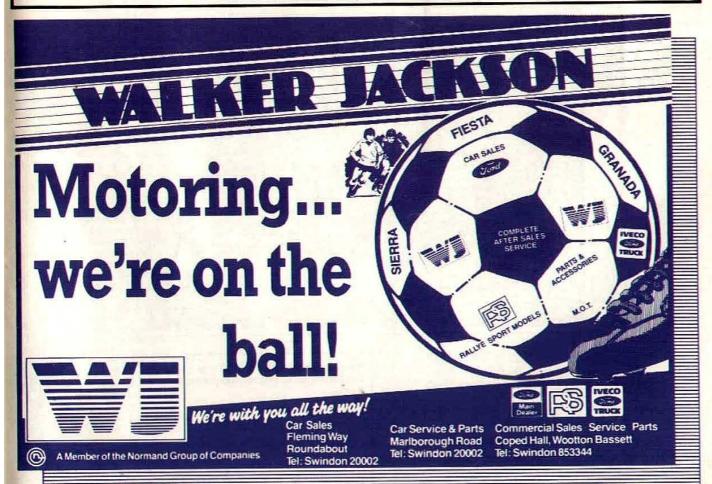
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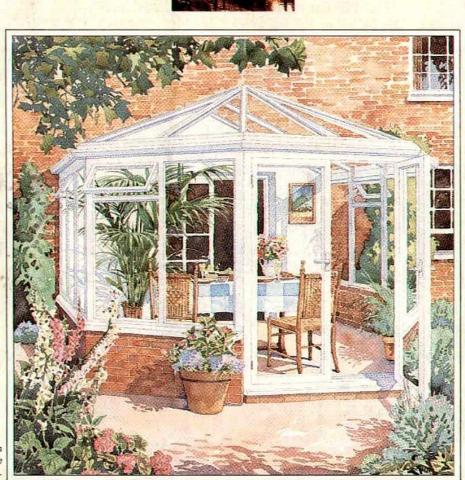
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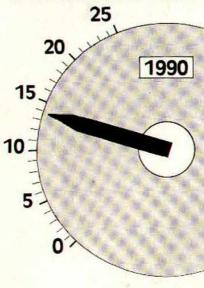
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Wednesday September 5th Wimbledon	н	7.00 p.m.	D 0-0
Wednesday September 15th Arsenal		7000000 =	200
Wednesday September 26th	Н	7.00 p.m.	L1-3
Oxford United Saturday October 6th	Α	7.30 p.m.	W 1-0
Ipswich Town	Α	3.00 p.m.	
Wednesday October 10th Portsmouth	н	7.00 p.m.	
Wednesday October 17th Norwich City	н	7.00 p.m.	
Wednesday October 24th			
Watford Saturday October 27th	Н	7.00 p.m.	
Tottenham Hotspur Wednesday October 31st	Α	2.00 p.m.	
Ipswich Town	н	7.00 p.m.	
Wednesday November 7th Brighton & Hove Albion	н	7.00 p.m.	
Saturday November 10th			
Arsenal Tuesday November 13th	A	3.00 p.m.	
Chelsea Thursday November 22nd	Α	2.00 p.m.	
West Ham United	A	7.00 p.m.	
Wednesday November 28th Luton Town	н	7.00 p.m.	
Saturday December 1st		Victorial	
Southampton Tuesday December 4th	A	2.00 p.m.	
Watford Wednesday December 12th	A	7.00 p.m.	
Fulham	Α	2.00 p.m	
Wednesday December 19th Chelsea	н	7.00 p.m.	
Friday December 28th Norwich City	А	7.30 p.m.	
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Reading Tuesday January 15th	Н	7.00 p.m.	
Charlton Athletic Wednesday January 23rd	A	7.00 p.m.	
Southampton	Н	7.00 p.m.	
Wednesday January 30th Oxford United	н	7.00 p.m.	
Tuesday February 5th Queens Park Rangers			
Wednesday February 13th		2.00 p.m.	
Crystal Palace Wednesday February 20th	A	7.30 p.m.	
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Wednesday March 6th West Ham United		1-42 (1850)	
Saturday March 9th	Н	7.00 p.m.	
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Monday March 25th Millwall	А	2.00 p.m.	
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Millwall	9	5	4	0	18	8	19
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Barnsley	9	5	1	3	18	13	16
Middlesbrough	9	4	3	2	15	6	15
Newcastle	9	4	3	2	10	7	15
Swindon Town	10	4	3	3	15	14	15
Brighton & H.A.	9	4	2	3	15	18	14
Bristol City	8	4	1	3	11	13	13
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Port Vale	10	3	2	5	16	17	11
Plymouth	10	2	5	3	11	13	11
Blackburn Rovers	10	3	1	6	16	18	10
Hull City	10	2	4	4	14	24	10
West Bromwich	8	2	3	3	9	12	9
Leicester City	10	3	0	7	12	25	9
Portsmouth	10	2	2	6	15	21	8
Charlton Athletic	9	1	3	5	8	14	6
Bristol Rovers	8	1	2	5	10	14	5
Oxford United	9	1	2	6	12	23	5
Watford	9	0	2	7	4	15	2



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20 West Ham United

1 Blackburn Rovers

1 Plymouth Argyle

5 F.A. Cup R3

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Sat. Nov. 17 Sheffield W. (FAC1) Nov. 24 Notts County Wed. Nov. 28 League Cup R4

Sat. Dec. 8 Ipswich T. (FAC2) Sat. Dec. 15 Charlton Athletic

Wed. Dec. 26 Newcastle United

Sat. Jan. 12 Bristol City

Wed. Jan. 16 League Cup R5 Sat. Jan. 19 Hull City Sat. Jan. 26 F.A. Cup R4

Sat. Feb. 2 Middlesbrough Sat. Feb. 9 Oxford United

Tues. Feb. 12 Wolverhampton W. Wed. Feb. 13 League Cup S.F. L1 Sat. Feb. 16 Sheffield W. (FACS) Feb. 23 Portsmouth

Wed. Feb. 27 League Cup S.F. L2

Sat. Apr. 13 Plym'th A (FACSF)

4 Barnsley

11 Port Vale

Sat. Apr. 20 West Ham United Sun. Apr. 21 League Cup Final Sat. Apr. 27 Leicester City

Sat. May 18 F.A. Cup Final

9 Notts. County

1 West Bromwich A. 6 Watford

Sat. Mar. 2 Blackburn Rovers

Tues. Mar. 12 Oldham Athletic Sat. Mar. 16 Millwall Wed. Mar. 20 Bristol Rovers Sat. Mar. 23 Brighton & H.A. Sat. Mar. 30 Newcastle United

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29 Watford

Wed. Oct. 31 League Cup R3 3 Port Vale

Sat. Nov. 10 Portsmouth

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#### TICKET **INFORMATION**

Will supporters please note that, in future, tickets for all matches will, until further notice, be on sale from the ticket office adjacent to the Robins Corner souvenir shop at the entrance to the ground.

#### TODAY'S MASCOT FOR DARLINGTON

ROSS ATKINSON is eight years old and lives in Banbury, Oxon. His favourite player is David. Cork.



Key: Home matches in bold

• Goalscorer

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JOHN BUTTIGIEG

12. PAUL HUNT 14. NICKY SUMMERBEE

Referee: M. L. Jones



12. STEVE MARDENBOROUGH 14. DAVID GEDDIS

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#### TODAY'S MASCOT

PAUL ETHERIDGE is eight years old and lives in Monmouth, Gwent. He attends Osbaston Junior School and his favourite player is Fraser Digby.



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