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Preliminary Round

versus

SWINDON TOWN

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Memos from the MANOR... from Roy Grant

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A warm welcome to everyone at this evening's game with Swindon. The opportunity to play some form of European football is very appealing and, no doubt, we will be doing our best to take on Italian opposition in the near future.

Some supporters may well remember that this opportunity was denied us in 1986, after our Milk Cup win, due to the ban on English teams in Europe.

And then, going back to the early 1970's, we were in the Anglo-Italian Cup when we were unbeaten. Swindon, of course, are previous winners of this trophy.

It was a strange feeling returning from Swansea last week. On the one hand we had lost the game but, on the other, we were in the next round.

However, when the draw was made the following evening and we were matched with Aston Villa, there was plenty of excitement!

The tie against Villa will be over two legs. The first game is at the Manor on Wednesday, September 23 and we go to Villa Park for the second leg on Wednesday, October 7.

Enjoy tonight's game. Oxford and Swindon derbies are always eagerly awaited and I am sure this one will live up to expectations.

Come on you yellows!

ATTACK, ATTACK ...

For the first time, goalscoring - rather than goal difference - will be used to decide final positions in the Barclays League tables.

In a move designed to encourage positive thinking and reward attacking play, teams level on points will be separated by the

higher scorers being placed in a higher position.

In the unlikely event that teams are level on points and goals, then the fewest goals conceded will be taken into account.

This new initiative - believed to be the first in English football - has been introduced to help increase the number of goals being scored and make the game more attractive to the spectator.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

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HALF TIME TEN

- 1 Who plays at Feethams?
- 2 Which Oxford player was signed from Hereford?
- 3 For which club did an Archdeacon play last season?
- 4 Which player scored for Oxford against Norwich in this year's pre-season game?
- 5 Which club won the FA Trophy at Wembley in 1992?
- 6 Which England record cap holder manages a Second Division club?
- 7 Which Oxford player joined us from Wokingham?
- 8 What connects Paul McStay, Gary McAllister and Brian McClair?
- 9 Which club won the Football Combination last season?
- 10 For which club is former Swindon striker Duncan Shearer now playing?

(Answers on page 7)

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Front Cover
NICK CUSACK ...who signed in the close season from Darlington and scored his first senior goal for Oxford in the Coca-Cola Cup tie against Swansea City



Tonight we welcome Swindon Town, their supporters, directors, players and, of course, Glenn Hoddle and John Gorman. Recently, we seem to draw Swindon in this type of Cup games.



I believe the Anglo-Italian Cup, which is back for the first time in a number of years, is a very good competition.

And, if you reach the latter stages, a very interesting one for all the supporters. We have two games now and a great chance of

getting to play the Italians.

We often have tremendous games with Swindon and, as everyone knows, they have made a very good start to the season. We know that they will try and play football and we are looking forward to having a good game with them.

The reserves have had an up and down start to their season. We have got a very young side and, consequently, I think inconsistency in results will continue. We had a terrific win against Portsmouth last week in a game which contained some very good football. In the end we might have been very fortunate to win but, full credit to our youngsters. They kept going after going a goal down and won 2-1 with goals from Matthew Keeble and a super free-kick from Les Robinson. I am pleased to say Les is coming back from injury and is not too far away from being in contention for the first team.

The youth team have had two defeats on the trot. I saw parts of their first game against Tottenham Hotspur which was a magnificent match, which they ended up losing 4-3. They then lost the game at Bournemouth on Saturday.

There are some good players in the youth side but, again, they are a very young team - and so they are going to have to battle a bit. This will do them good.

So, all in all, I do not think it has been a bad start for everyone at the club.

Whilst mentioning the youth team I am delighted to see that Adriano Girolami, Terry Morrissey and Michael Conneely have been selected for the Welsh trials and Bobby Ford has been chosen for England youth team trials. We are delighted for all of them.

Enjoy the game.

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HONOURS

- 1962 Elected to Football League
- 1964-65 Division Four promotion (fourth)
- 1967-68 Division Three Champions
- 1983-84 Division Three Champions
- 1984-85 Division Two Champions
- 1985-86 Milk Cup Winners

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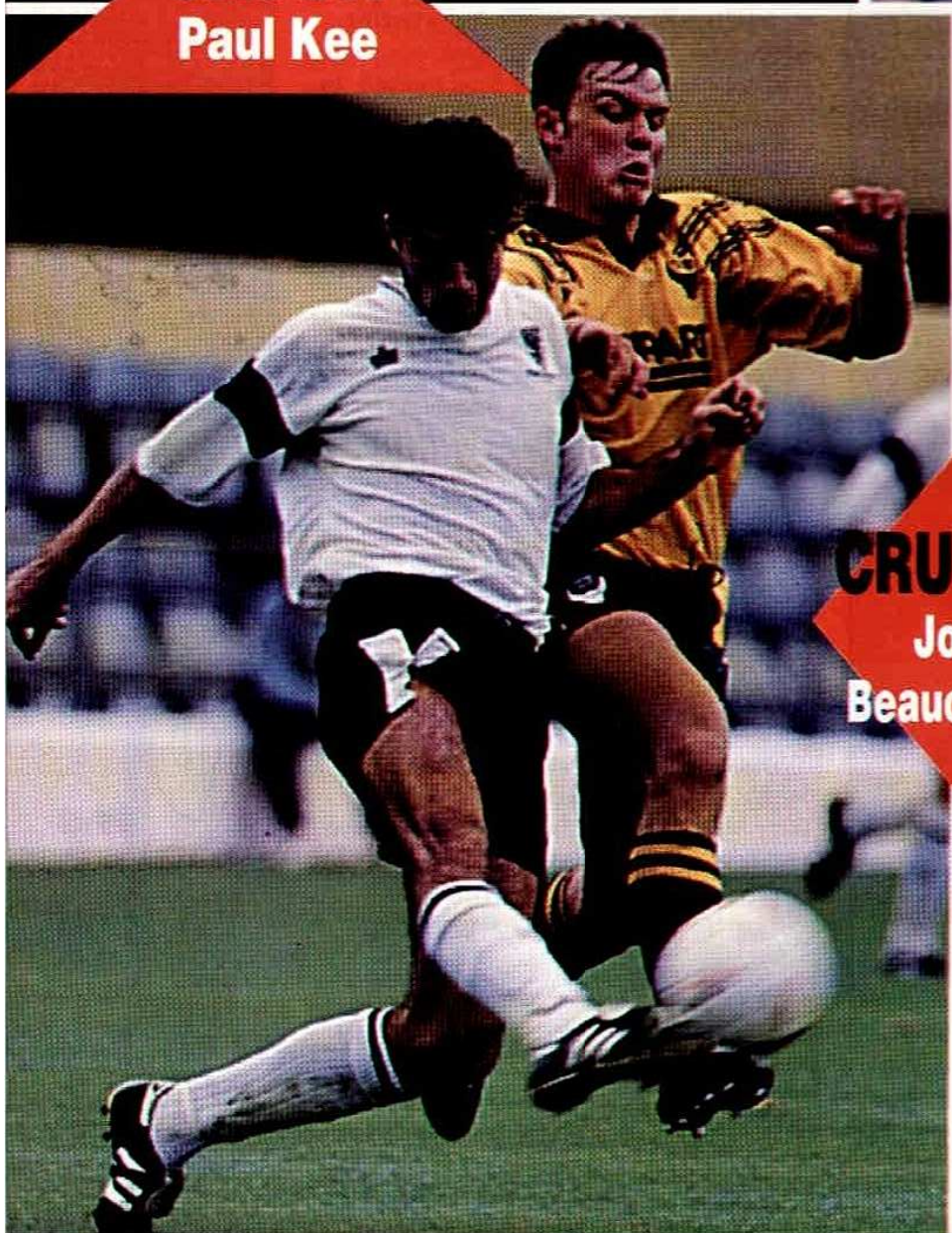
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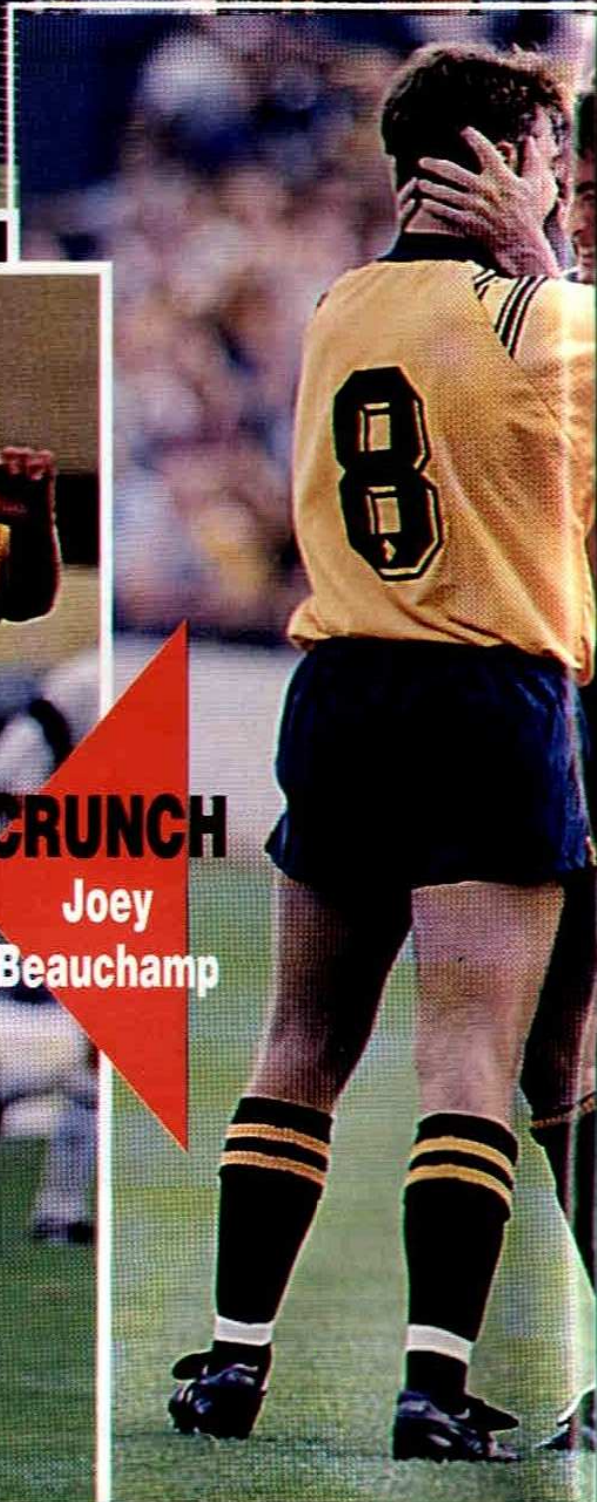
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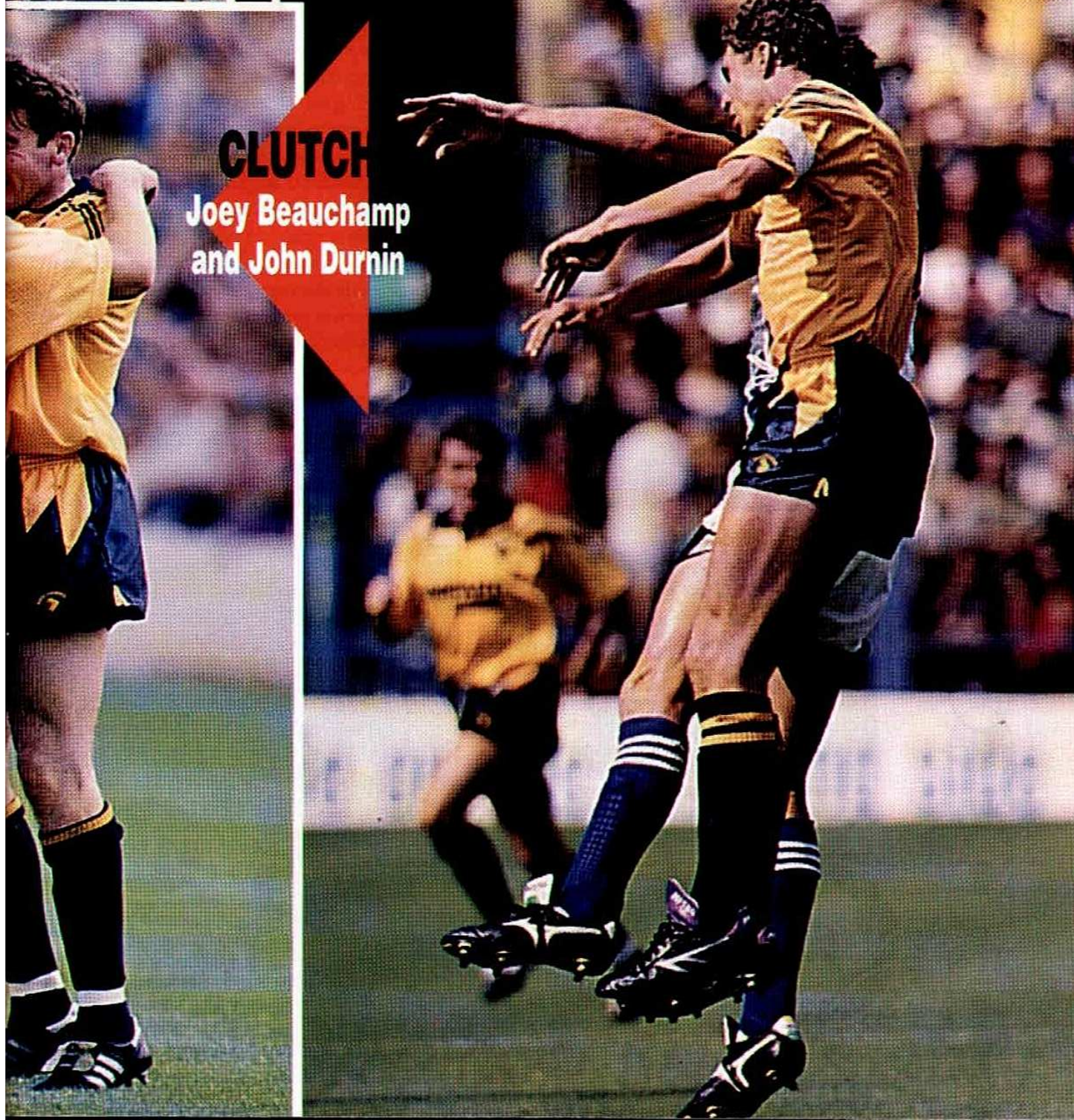
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INTO EUROPE

WELCOME RETURN FOR ANGLO-ITALIAN CUP



After a gap of nearly 20 years the Anglo-Italian Cup is back. And this time all the Barclays League Division One clubs have had the chance to enter. Previously entry was by invitation only.

Tonight sees the first set of preliminary games which, after all three sets of matches, will find England's eight representatives to go into the competition proper.

In the next round they will join Italian clubs Bari, Cremonese, Ascoli, Pisa, Cesena, Cosenza, Reggiana and Lucchese.

The 16 teams are divided into two leagues of eight, both featuring four teams from each country.

Every English side then plays the four Italian teams in its group, with two games at home and two games in Italy, to produce a final league table. The games will be played in November and December.

The semi-finals, which are two-legged, will then see the top English side from each group play each other and the top Italian side do likewise.

Who plays who . . . and when (PRELIMINARY ROUND)

(Week commencing August 31)
Derby County v Notts County
Leicester City v Grimsby Town
Cambridge United v Sunderland
Peterborough United v Tranmere Rovers
Bristol City v Watford
Millwall v Charlton Athletic
Oxford United v Swindon Town
West Ham United v Bristol Rovers

(Week commencing September 14)
Notts County v Barnsley
Grimsby Town v Newcastle United
Sunderland v Birmingham City
Tranmere Rovers v Wolverhampton Wanderers
Watford v Luton Town
Charlton Athletic v Portsmouth
Swindon v Town v v Brentford



(Week commencing September 28)
Barnsley v Derby County
Newcastle United v Leicester City
Birmingham City v Cambridge United
Wolverhampton Wanderers v Peterborough United
Luton Town v Bristol City
Portsmouth v Millwall
Brentford v Oxford United
Southend United v West Ham United



R THE UP

This will guarantee an Anglo-Italian final which will be played in March.

The groups, the teams in each section of the preliminary rounds, and the fixtures, are detailed below.

Each team in these sections plays once at home and once away. United visit Brentford in their final game whilst tonight's visitors Swindon entertain the Bees in two weeks' time.

On the map of Italy you can also see where all the Italian teams are situated - should you need to book a flight and plan your journey!



Matchday Programme

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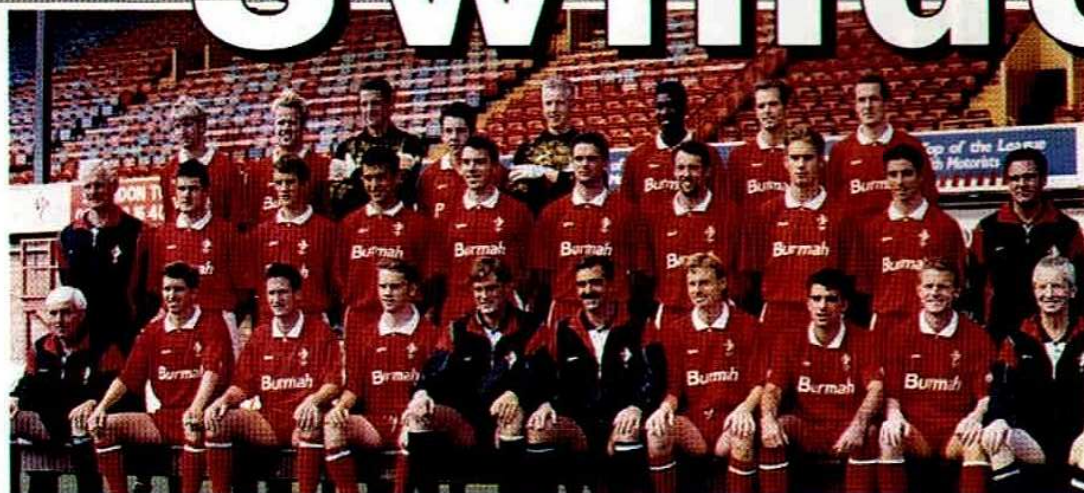
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INTO EUROPE



Swindon



*Back row: John Mancur, Darren Hall, Fraser Digby, Paul Hunt, Nicky Hammond, David Bennett, Craig Maskell, Steve White.
 Middle row: John Trollope (Youth Team Manager), Ross MacLaren, Nicky Summerbee, Colin Calderwood, Shaun Taylor, Adrian Viveash, David Mitchell, Andrew Thomson, Kevin Horlock, Andy Rowland (Reserve Team Coach).
 Front row: Kevin Morris (Physiotherapist), Martin Ling, David Kerlake, Wayne O'Sullivan, Glenn Hoddle (Team Manager), John Gorman (Asst Manager), Paul Bodin, Shaun Close, Micky Hazard, Eddie Buckley (Kit Manager).*

WELCOME TO

The revival of the Anglo-Italian Cup has brought back nostalgic memories for older Swindon supporters. Back in 1970 the Robins won TWO tournaments involving clubs from two countries. After pulling off their famous 3-1 victory over Arsenal at Wembley in the 1969 League Cup Final, Swindon were invited to take part in the Anglo-Italian League Cup Winners' tournament the following season. After losing 1-2 to Roma in the first leg in Italy, Swindon won the return 4-0 at the County Ground to lift the trophy. They then topped their English qualifying group in this now-revived Anglo-Italian Cup and proceeded to defeat Naples 3-0 on their own ground in the final. So, is history about to repeat itself for Swindon?



Following their fine start in the First Division, Swindon will certainly be fancied to go far in this competition.

GLENN HODDLE felt his playing days were over when he was released by Monaco in 1991 after battling against injury. But, after joining Swindon as manager in March 1991, he permitted himself a playing comeback last season and, after a few weeks, people were saying he deserved a recall to the England team!

For the best part of the Eighties he was an England regular, winning 53 caps. He made his name with Spurs, the club he joined from school. He played for the England youth team and made his League debut for Tottenham, as substitute, against Norwich in August 1975.

It was another year before he earned a regular place but then he was quickly capped by the England under 21's and, ultimately, won 12 caps at that level.

Glenn made his full England debut against Bulgaria at Wembley in November 1979, crowning the occasion with one of his spectacular, long-range goals. Even so, his style did not always fit and it was to be some while before he became an automatic choice for his country. During the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain, he was used only twice, once as substitute.

The highlights of his club career were in collecting F.A. Cup winners' medals in 1981 and 1982 but an injury forced him out of the Spurs side that won the UEFA Cup in 1984.

In 1987 he felt the time had come to accept a new challenge, so he joined the emerging French League club Monaco for £800,000. He continued to play for England for a while and he enjoyed a couple of happy seasons in French football before receiving the injury which appeared to end his career.

Swindon's new striking partnership of David Mitchell and Craig Maskell have already been among the goals.

Mitchell, who scored twice at Bristol Rovers, has now established himself in English football after a few disappointments. An Australian international, he previously played for Glasgow Rangers, Eintracht Frankfurt and Feyenoord. Chelsea signed him in 1988, then he had a brief loan spell at Newcastle and joined Swindon at the start of last season.

Maskell, signed from Reading in an exchange deal this summer, opened his account in the 2-2 draw with Wolves. He spent most of his time in Southampton's reserve side but really blossomed after joining Huddersfield in 1988, going on to be top scorer with 31 and 21 goals respectively in two seasons at Leeds Road. He then joined



STAR MAN

Reading and bagged 15 goals last season.

Shaun Close, another forward, was included as substitute early this season. He emerged as a League player with Tottenham but really thrived after joining Bournemouth in 1988, moving on to Swindon a year later.

The Swindon midfield could well comprise Micky Hazard, John Moncur, Glenn Hoddle and David Kerslake.

Hazard made his name with Spurs in the early Eighties. Chelsea signed him for £300,000 in 1986 and he remained with them until linking with Portsmouth in 1990. He signed for Swindon two seasons ago.

Moncur was signed from Tottenham towards the end of last season after he had served loan spells with Ipswich and Nottingham Forest. He made his First Division debut in 1987 and later had loan spells with Doncaster, Cambridge, Bournemouth and Brentford.

Kerslake played for England at schoolboy, youth and under-21 levels and opened his League career with QPR in 1985. Swindon signed him for £110,000 in 1989.

Martin Ling is also in line for a midfield role. He won a regular place in Exeter's side in 1983, then joined Swindon in 1986. His stay was brief and he moved on to Southend before returning to Swindon, on loan, two

seasons ago. The move became permanent in the summer of 1991.

Colin Calderwood and Shaun Taylor are the likely centre halves. Calderwood spent three seasons with Mansfield before joining Swindon in 1985 and is fast approaching his 300th League appearance for the Robins.

Taylor was playing for Bideford when Exeter signed him and he had played exactly 200 League games for the Grecians before moving to Swindon for £200,000 in the 1991 close-season.

Nick Summerbee and Paul Bodin are the likely full-backs. Summerbee is a former Swindon trainee who emerged for first-team duty three seasons ago. Bodin, who won his 15th cap for Wales last season, returned for his second spell with the club during the early part of last season. He left the County Ground to join Crystal Palace for £350,000 in 1991 and then had a short loan spell with Newcastle.

Goalkeeper Fraser Digby did not come into the first-team reckoning with Manchester United but made rapid strides after joining Swindon in 1986. He was soon in the England under 21 side, going on to win five caps.

Adrian Viveash, a former Swindon trainee who came into the first-team two seasons ago, is another contender for a place in defence.

Roll-Call

Player	Previous clubs	Int. Caps	League & Cup Apps	Goals
GOALKEEPERS				
Fraser Digby	Man Utd, Oldham*	Eng. u21(5)	3	-
Nicky Hammond	Swindon*, Arsenal, Bristol Rov*, Peterboro*, Aberdeen*	-	-	-
DEFENDERS				
Paul Bodin	Chelsea, Newport, Cardiff, Bath, Newport, Swindon, C. Palace, Newcastle*	Wales(15) u21(1)	3	1
Colin Calderwood	Mansfield	-	3	-
David Kerslake	QPR	Eng. u21(1)	1(1)	-
Ross MacLaren	Rangers, Shrewsbury, Derby	-	-	-
Nick Summerbee	Swindon	-	3	-
Shaun Taylor	Bideford, Exeter-Swindon	-	3	2
Adrian Viveash	Swindon	-	-	-
MIDFIELD				
Micky Hazard	Spurs, Chelsea, Portsmouth	-	3	-
Glenn Hoddle	Spurs, Monaco	Eng.(53) u21(12)	3	1
Martin Ling	Exeter, Swindon, Southend, Mansfield*, Swindon*	-	2	-
John Moncur	Spurs, Doncaster*, Cambridge*, Portsmouth*, Brentford*, Ipswich*, Nottm Forest*	-	3	-
FORWARDS				
Shaun Close	Spurs, Bournemouth	-	(1)	-
Craig Maskell	Soton, Swindon*	-	3	1
David Mitchell	Huddersfield, Reading, Rangers, Eintracht Frankfurt, Feyenoord, Chelsea, Newcastle*	Australia	3	2
Steve White	Mangorsfield, Bristol Rov, Luton, Charlton, Lincoln*, Luton*, Bristol Rov.	-	(1)	-

* denotes played on loan (up to and including August 22)

The Robins opened their League season with a 1-0 home win over Sunderland. Hoddle scored his first goal in English football for five years! They then beat Bristol Rovers 4-3 and drew 2-2 with Wolves.

EIGHT-GOAL THRILLER LAST TIME WE MET

History

One only has to look back to March 7 this year for a memorable encounter between Oxford United and Swindon Town, writes Jim Henderson.

With Town chasing the play-offs and United battling desperately to avoid the drop, this was always going to be a tense affair.

But, as it turned out, the ice was broken after just 33 seconds when ex-Spurs striker Shaun Close swung his right foot from just outside the penalty area, and the ball bounced over 'keeper Ken Veysey and into the net.

Play quickly switched to the other end and from Chris Allen's cross Nicky Hammond did extremely well to divert John Durnin's goalbound effort for a corner.

United were level, though, on 25 minutes when Garry Smart found Trevor Aylott who turned to set up Durnin who brilliantly beat Hammond.

Thirteen minutes later things were looking even better for the home side when Nicky Summerbee carelessly tripped Allen and Jim Magilton converted confidently from the

penalty spot.

On 41 minutes Joey Beauchamp's mazy run ended with a delightful left foot shot for the third.

Immediately, Town attacked and Dave Mitchell slid in to convert David Kerslake's right-wing cross.

United could not have made a better start to the second period - Allen stormed past Summerbee and his inch-perfect cross left the well-positioned Durnin with a simple goal.

It was 5-2 after 64 minutes when Beauchamp sprinted past the Swindon defence and poked the ball past Hammond.

After Argentinian Nestor Lorenzo had replaced Summerbee the visitors pulled back another goal.

United's defence failed to clear a corner and Mitchell gave Veysey no chance with a perfect volley.

But it was all too little, too late, as the U's held on for a 5-3 victory in a thrilling match.

The line-ups were -

United: Veysey, Smart, Williams, Lewis, Evans, Melville, Magilton, Beauchamp, Aylott (sub: Penney), Durnin, Allen. Sub not used: Wanless.

Swindon: Hammond, Kerslake, Bodin, Jones, Calderwood, Taylor, Summerbee (Sub: Lorenzo), Shearer, Close, Hoddle, Mitchell, Sub not used: Viveash.

Attendance: 7,995



Joey Beauchamp completes United's scoring with the fifth goal in last season's League meeting with Swindon.

PETER FOLEY



Where Are They Now?

Local derby games against Swindon were always special to Peter. And they still are. The former United striker, now aged 36 and manager of Oxford City, aims to be at the Manor tonight to see the latest in the series of matches between the two clubs.

"I can remember virtually every game I played in against Swindon," he says. "It was always THE game to look forward to and, luckily, I had a pretty good scoring record against them."

Peter's great asset was his pace. Put him clear of the defence and defenders were often 'left for dead'. Arriving at United, his local club, as a 13 year old, he later served his apprenticeship before signing full professional forms, going on to score 90 goals in 306 League and Cup appearances and gain honours for the Republic of Ireland at youth and under 21 level.

Since leaving United at the end of the 1982-83 season he has played in Hong Kong and Sweden and spent brief spells with Aldershot, Swansea and Exeter.

But Peter is an Oxfordshire lad and it was no surprise when, in 1987, he returned to his roots, combining football with his new career as a financial advisor.

At the age of 31 he took over as manager at Thame United and guided the club to runners-up spot in the South Midland League. Then came a parting of the ways when, he says, his personal ambitions for the club did not match those of the committee.

Soon afterwards, a similar role became vacant at Oxford City and now, three years later, he is excited by the challenge of what lies ahead for a club steeped in tradition and striving to regain former glories.

Hopes are high that a planning application for a new ground at Marston will soon be accepted and that next year, when the buildings are due for completion, the club will begin a new, exciting era in its history. The ground will meet Diadora League standards and this season the South Midland League club's aim is to achieve Diadora status off the pitch as well.

"It's a brilliant club to be involved with, especially at this time," says Peter. But, fully appreciating the tough task ahead for him, he adds: "All we have to do now is win the league!"

He believes he has a team capable of achieving the target. "We're top of the table after four games -but there's a long way to go yet."

He has signed on as a player - "but that's just as cover in case of injuries" - and says he now gets his kicks out of watching his team succeed.

"The fitness level in the game has risen a tremendous amount. I used to be a bit quick but now, when the youngsters start flying past you, you know it's time to heed the message."

These are exciting times on the domestic front, too. A couple of months ago Peter and his wife Patricia moved into a new home in Fritwell and the couple are soon expecting a "teammate" for four and a half year old Thomas.

Mike Guerden

PLAYING RECORD

Season	League		FA Cup		FL Cup		Others		Total	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
1974-75	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
1975-76	27(6)	4	0	0	3	1	0	0	30(6)	5
1976-77	46	12	2	1	2	0	0	0	50	13
1977-78	43	19	1	0	4	2	0	0	48	21
1978-79	31(1)	9	1	1	5	1	0	0	37(1)	11
1979-80	36(5)	10	0	0	2	2	0	0	38(5)	12
1980-81	38(2)	5	1	1	5	1	0	0	44(2)	7
1981-82	37	7	4	2	5	1	2	0	48	10
1982-83	12(3)	5	4	4	1	0	2	2	19(3)	11
Total	362(15)	71	13	9	27	8	4	2	396(15)	90





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OXFORD UNITED

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ASTON VILLA



Second Round, First Leg
Wednesday,
September 23,
Kick-off 7.45pm

- THIS MATCH IS ALL TICKET
- Season ticket holders should note that this is the third and final cup match in their season ticket package. Therefore they should enter the ground in the normal manner
- Details of when tickets go on sale will be advertised in the local press and on the tannoy tonight

London Road Club Forthcoming Trips

GRIMSBY TOWN

Barclays League Division One
Saturday, September 5, 1992
Kick-off 3.00 pm
Game is NOT all ticket
Terrace Admission: £5.50
Seat Admission: £8.00
Entry is at turnstiles 15-18 at the Osmond Stand
Programme: £1.00
Disabled supporters - There are approximately 20 spaces for disabled supporters and places need to be booked a couple of days in advance. You will be situated in front of the main stand, and tickets cost £4.50.
Coaches Depart:
Oxford, Castle Street - 10.15 am
Headington, Manor Ground - 10.30 am
Fare: Executive Coaches
Adult £8.50 Junior £7.50
RAC Route to:
Grimsby Town FC, Blundell Park,
Cleethorpes, S Humberside
Tel: 0472 697111.
Leave Oxford on the A34 to
Wendlebury/Bicester. Join the M40 at
junction 9 and travel North. Exit off the
M40 on to the M42 and travel North
(follow the signs for the NEC). Stay on
the M42 until it ends (junction 11). The

M42 changes into the A42. Stay on the
A42 until it joins up with the M1 at
junction 23a. Travel North on the M1 to
junction 32. Exit off on to the M18.
Travel North to junction 5. Exit off on to
the M180. Stay on the M180 until it ends
(junction 5). Come off onto the A180.
Come in on Cleethorpes Road, which
runs into Grimsby Road. Travel for about
400 yards. The stadium is on the left.
Mileage: 190 miles approx. Railway
station: Cleethorpes (5-10 minute walk
away)
Car Parking: Street parking only



SWINDON TOWN

Barclays League Division One
Sunday, September 20, 1992
Kick off 3.00 pm
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Seat Admission: £8.50 - seats must be
purchased from Oxford Ticket Office -
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You must take your card with you to the
game. Seats on sale now. Terrace
admission is at the normal turnstiles on
the day.
Programme: £1.20.
Disabled supporters: places very limited -
apply to Oxford Ticket Office.
Coaches Depart:
Headington, Manor Ground - 12.45 pm
Oxford, Castle Street - 1.00 pm
Fare (Executive Coaches)
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County Ground, County Road, Swindon,
Wiltshire Tel: 0793 430430
Leave Oxford on the A420 towards
Swindon. Take the third exit off the first
roundabout into Oxford Road. Follow
the road around to the right, still Oxford
Road. Travel straight on into Stratton
Road, which runs into Shrivenham Road.
You come to a large roundabout with
five small roundabouts around it. Take
the fourth exit off into County Road. The
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Mileage: 30 miles approximately Railway
Station: Swindon - 20 minutes walking
distance Car parking: street parking only.

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Home and Away



Reflections

10 YEARS AGO

We were the only team in the League still with a 100 per cent record.



ANDY THOMAS ... *his goal lifted us to the top of the Third Division*

Andy Thomas' 72nd minute goal gave us a fourth win in a row, 2-1 at Preston, and lifted us to the top of the Third Division. Trevor Heberd had opened the scoring in the 17th minute. Preston's equaliser, seven minutes into the second half, was the first goal we had conceded.

Oxford line-up: Burton, Linney, Fogg, Train, Briggs, Shotton, Jones, Barnett, Vinter, Biggins (Thomas), Heberd.

levelled the scores a quarter of an hour later through Nigel Cassidy, his third goal in five games. The win hoisted us to within a point of the early Second Division leaders. Burton, Lucas, Shuker, Roberts, Clarke C, Evanson, Sloan, Atkinson G, Clarke D, (Smithson), Cassidy, Aylott.

Swindon, playing in the same division, lost 2-3 at Sunderland after taking the lead through Ray Treacy. Don Rogers' 82nd minute goal came too late to spark a revival.

30 YEARS AGO

John Love, playing his first game in our debut League season, scored at Darlington. But it was not enough to save us from a 2-1 defeat. We had yet to drop a point at home but were still waiting to get off the mark on our travels.

Oxford: Medlock Beavon, Quartermain, Atkinson R, Kyle, Jones, Knight, Shuker, Houghton, Willey, Love.

Roger Smart and John Smith earned Swindon a 2-2 draw at Queens Park Rangers who topped the Third Division.

20 YEARS AGO

Steve Aylott's 68th minute goal completed an impressive recovery at home to Cardiff. We had gone behind as early as the fifth minute but

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Date	Opponents	Ven/Res	Crowd	Pts	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
Aug 15	Sat BISTOL ROVERS	2-1	7,333	3	-															Jewin Lewin Lewin Collins
16	Tue SWANSEA CITY Coca-Cola, 1 (1)	3-0	4,382	-	-															Allen Allen/2 Allen (1) Dermott
22	Sat Middlesbrough	4-1-1	6,746	3	17															Dermott Dermott Dermott Nisbett
25	Tue Swansea City Coca-Cola, 1 (2)	1-1 (agg 2-1)	2,256	-	-															Penney Penney Penney Penney
29	Sat WOLVERHAMPTON WANDS	0-0		-	-															Cross Cross Cross Cross
30	Tue SWINDON TOWN Anglo-Italian Cup	0-0		-	-															Bouchamp Bouchamp Bouchamp Bouchamp
5	Sat Gillingham	0-0		-	-															Phillips Phillips Phillips Mugleton
12	Sat SUNDERLAND	0-0		-	-															Mohr Mohr Mohr Mohr
13	Tue CAMBRIDGE UNITED	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
19	Sat Swindon Town	0-0		-	-															Collins Collins Collins Lewin
25	Wed ASTON VILLA Coca-Cola League Cup, 2 (1)	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
29	Tue BERTHOLOMME Anglo-Italian Cup	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
25	Sat TRANSMERE ROVERS	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
30	Sat BIRMINGHAM CITY	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
Oct 7	Wed Aston Villa Coca-Cola League Cup, 2 (2)	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
19	Sat Derby County	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
17	Sat BARNSELEY	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
24	Sat Notts County	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
Nov 3	Sat WATFORD	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
7	Tue PORTSMOUTH	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
14	Sat Luton Town	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
21	Sat West Ham United	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
28	Sat Brentford	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
Dec 3	Sat PETERBOROUGH UNITED	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
12	Sat LICHFIELD CITY	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
19	Sat Clackston Athletic	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
26	Sat Brentford	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
28	Mon NEWCASTLE UNITED	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
Jan 2	Sat F.A. Cup, 1	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
9	Sat SWINDON TOWN	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
13	Fri Tranmere Rovers	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
21	Sat F.A. Cup, 4	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
26	Tue Cambridge United	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
30	Sat MIDDLESBROUGH	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
6	Sat Brentford	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
9	Tue Swindon	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
Feb 9	Tue Swindon	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
11	Sat GERRARD TOWN (F.A. Cup, 5)	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
20	Sat Wolverhampton Wanderers	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
27	Sat DEBRY COUNTY	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
6	Sat Ilkeston City (F.A. Cup, 6)	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
10	Wed Luton Town (F.A. Cup, 7)	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
13	Sat SOUTHERN UNITED	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
20	Sat Porthsmouth United	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
24	Tue WEST HAM UNITED	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
27	Sat Peterborough	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
Apr 3	Sat BERTHOLOMME	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
4	Sat F.A. Cup, 8	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
7	Wed Luton Town	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
10	Sat BIRKENHEAD	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
12	Mon Newport United	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
17	Sat CHARLTON ATHLETIC	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
18	Sat F.A. Cup, 9	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
24	Sat Barnsley	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
May 1	Sat NOTTS COUNTY	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
8	Sat Walsley	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans
13	Sat F.A. Cup Final	0-0		-	-															Evans Evans Evans Evans

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AROUND THE

Our next home fixture will be on Saturday, September 12 when we welcome Sunderland to the Manor, kick off 3.00 pm.

Manager Malcolm Crosbie inspired the Rokerites to the FA Cup Final last season where they lost 0-2 to Liverpool despite a battling performance.

Sunderland won 3-2 here en route to Wembley and also beat us 2-0 in August last term. But they were well beaten 0-3 in December when our scorers were John Durnin, Trevor Aylott and Joey Beauchamp.

Sunderland started the season with a narrow 0-1 defeat at Swindon Town, a game which marked the debuts of summer signings John Colquhoun (£220,000 from Millwall) and Shaun Cunningham (£650,000 from Grimsby).

Fighting for the goalkeeper's jersey at present are Tony Norman and Tim Carter.

Welsh International Norman played under Brian Horton at his previous club, Hull City. Carter was signed from Bristol Rovers during the 1987/8 season but has never established himself as a regular.

In defence, Terry Butcher has signed a one year contract after departing as player-manager of Coventry City in the middle of last season. Butcher, a former England International, is accompanied in the back four by ex-Portsmouth man Kevin Ball and former Cardiff City defender Gary Bennett, brother of Swindon's Dave.

Other defenders competing for places include Ian Sampson, signed from Goole Town, and ex-Wimbledon full-back John Kay.

Alongside new signing Cunningham in midfield are ex-apprentice Brian Atkinson, highly-rated Gary Owers and popular Gordon Armstrong. New buy Colquhoun can also play in midfield.

Up-front Don Goodman and John Byrne are the first choice strike partnership. Goodman is a former Bradford and WBA man. Byrne is an Eire International with over 20 caps, and he has also served QPR and Le Havre among others.

Former England International Peter Davenport, young prospects David Rush and Warren Hawke, as well as Thomas Hauser and the skilful Keiron Brady, are all also in contention up front.

After two exciting games at the Manor last season, this forthcoming game is one not to be missed!

Jim Henderson

Home Match Kick-off: Saturday and Bank Holidays 7.00pm, Tuesday 7.45pm

LEADING SCORERS IN LEAGUE AND CUP

- 5 Andrew Cole (Bristol City).
 - 4 Guy Whittingham (Portsmouth), Alan Pardew (Charlton).
 - 3 Tony Adcock (Peterborough), John Aldridge (Tranmere), Gary Blissett (Bradford), Kevin Charlery (Peterborough), Gavin Peacock (Newcastle), John Taylor (Bristol Rovers), Phil Gee (Leicester), Malcolm Allen (Millwall), Clive Mendonca (Grimsby).
 - 2 CHRIS ALLEN (OXFORD), Steve Bull (Wolves), Ken Charlery (Peterborough), Lee Clark (Newcastle), Louie Donowa (Birmingham), Jacki Dziekanowski (Bristol City), Paul Furlong (Watford), Robert Lee (Charlton), Dave Mitchell (Swindon), Andy Mutch (Wolves), DAVID PENNEY (OXFORD), David Rennie (Birmingham), Shaun Taylor (Swindon), Paul Simpson (Derby).
- (Up to and including August 26)

ANGLO-ITALIAN CUP

Preliminary Round



TONIGHT'S GAMES

Bristol City v Watford
Cambridge United v Sunderland
Peterborough United v Tranmere Rovers

TOMORROW NIGHT

Derby County v Notts County
Leicester City v Grimsby Town
Millwall v Charlton Athletic
West Ham United v Bristol Rovers



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Name	Age/Date of birth	Previous Clubs	1992-93 Apps	Goals	Debut	Outright Total Apps	Goals	First Career Apps	Goals
ALLEN, Chris	19 / 18.11.72		+1	2		19+2	1		
BEAUCHAMP, Joey	21 / 13.07.71	Swansea (loan)	2	1		32+5	8	87+6	10
COLLINS, David	20 / 30.10.71	Liverpool	2	1		6+2	1	7+2	1
CUSACK, Nick	26 / 24.12.65	Leicester / Peterborough (Motherwell) / Darlington	2	1		2	1	140+20	14
DRUCE, Mark	10 / 13.3.74						+2	22+4	10
DURBIN, John	27 / 19.9.65	Liverpool / West Brom (loan)	2	1		105+16	30	115+18	35
EVANS, Carl	28 / 2.10.69		2	2		7+3	3	14+2	3
FORD, Mike	28 / 19.2.66	Leicester / Cardiff	2	2		89+11	5	213+12	18
JACKSON, Darren	20 / 23.3.75					7+1		25+1	
KEE, Paul	22 / 6.11.69	Andri	2	2		9+2	4		
LEWIS, Mickey	27 / 25.2.60	West Brom / Derby	+1	1		44	5		
MCCLAREN, Steve	31 / 3.5.81	Hull / Derby / Lincoln (loan) / Bristol City	1	1		165+1	6	214+9	7
MAGILTON, Jim	23 / 15.5.69	Liverpool	1	1		21+2	30+4		
MELVILLE, Andrew	29 / 29.11.66	Swansea	2	2		27+6	22	66+4	5
MARRETT, John	23 / 21.11.66	Shrewsbury / Hereford	1	1		81	16		
PEENEY, David	28 / 17.2.64	Derby / Swansea (loan) / Doncaster	2	2		13	5	249+10	29
PHILLIPS, Les	29 / 7.1.63	Birmingham	2	1		93	7	80+1	9
ROBINSON, Les	25 / 1.3.67	Manchester / Stockport / Doncaster	2	2		16	2		
SMART, Garry	28 / 29.4.64	Wolverhampton	2	2		1	1	159+7	30
VEYSEY, Ron	25 / 8.6.67	Torquay	2	2		45+21	0	80+34	12
WANLESS, Paul	18 / 14.12.79					9+2	1	14+6	5
						165+12	11	201+10	14
						41+2	5	50+3	6
						71		231+4	15
						14+1		40+1	1
						109+4			
						16+3			
						57		129	
						10		30	
						3+3			
						+1			

Other professionals yet to make first team appearances: Tristan Daback, Keith Holmes, Matthew Keeble, Robert Mitchell, Steve Tavlor, Andrew Wallbridge (Up to and including August 25) * First Infr = League * Second Infr = Cup



Outside

Youth . . .



Steve McClaren takes a look at the reserve and youth team fixtures played last week.

1992			
Aug	15	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	3-4
	22	AFC Bournemouth	1-2
	29	BRENTFORD	H
SEPT	5	Wimbledon	A
	12	Southampton	A
	19	CAMBRIDGE UNITED (LC1)	H
	26	CRYSTAL PALACE	H
Oct	3	Luton Town	A
	10	SWINDON TOWN	H
	17	Bristol City	A
	24	LC2	
	31	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H
Nov	7	Bristol Rovers	A
	14	READING	H
	21	COLCHESTER UNITED	H
	28	LC3	
Dec	5	Colchester United	A
	12	Tottenham Hotspur	A
	19	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H
1993			
Jan	2	Brentford	A
	9	WIMBLEDON	H
	16	SOUTHAMPTON	H
	23	Crystal Palace	A
	30	LUTON TOWN	H
Feb	6	Swindon Town	A
	13	BRISTOL CITY	H
	20	Brighton and Hove Albion	A
	27	BRISTOL ROVERS	H
Mar	6	Reading	A

TBA: Gillingham (A) - Southern Junior Floodlit Cup, first round.
 All home matches are played at Brasenose College Sports Ground, Abingdon Road, Oxford - k.o. 11am, unless stated.

Against a strong and physical Bournemouth side we struggled for the first 30 minutes to get into the game before eventually losing 2-1.

We found ourselves 2-0 down when we failed to clear a high free kick and they tapped in from six yards out and then conceded a bizarre goal when one of our own players threw the ball back to our 'keeper.

A combination of the wind and the bumpy ground sent the ball bouncing over Gary Bayliss' head and their player walked the ball into the net! This unusual goal finally woke up our players and we started to compete with them and play the kind of football we are capable of.

We finished the first half strongly and, with Terry Morrissey playing well at the back, Adriano Girolami and Robert Ford controlling midfield, and Ben Border

causing problems with his positive runs, we dominated the second half.

Chances went begging and after Darren Watts had struck the post with a 20 yard drive we thought it was not going to be our day.

However, 15 minutes from the end a good move involving Border and Ford ended with Jason Maciak shooting from 12 yards out into the corner of the net.

Further pressure from us followed but we just could not grab the equaliser we deserved but full credit to the youngsters who, despite the physical approach by Bournemouth, continued to try and play football with the ball on the ground.

Team : Bayliss, Turner (Watts), Hillman, Girolami, Maisey, Morrissey, Stevens, Border, Maciak, Ford, Conneely. Sub (not used) Byles.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION TWO TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton	2	2	0	0	12	1	4
Southampton	2	2	0	0	4	1	4
Wimbledon	2	1	1	0	5	2	3
Bournemouth	2	1	1	0	2	1	3
Tottenham	2	1	0	1	5	5	2
Brentford	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
Colchester	2	1	0	1	2	2	2
Brighton & H. A.	2	1	0	1	4	5	2
Bristol City	2	1	0	1	3	4	2
Bristol Rovers	2	1	0	1	3	8	2
OXFORD UTD	2	0	0	2	4	6	0
Crystal Palace	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Reading	1	0	0	1	1	4	0
Swindon Town	2	0	0	2	2	6	0

(up to and including August 28)



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Reserves

In our first Neville Ovenden Combination game we beat Portsmouth 2-1. We welcomed Les Robinson back into action after injury that required surgery.

Also included was Jon Narbett, our recent signing from Hereford, who was also playing his first full game for us after having picked up a calf injury during pre-season. Both players made significant contributions to our victory.



It took us 20 minutes to realise we were in a game! We started very sloppily and it was no surprise when we went 1-0 down during this period. The Portsmouth winger Wigley dribbled past two players and was eventually tripped by Andy Wallbridge in the penalty area. Warren Aspinall converted the resultant penalty.

At least this spurred us into action and, after several near misses, we eventually drew level.

Tristan Didcock won a good tackle in midfield and fed Jon Narbett wide. He sent in a superb cross which Matthew Keeble met at the near post and headed in after first volleying against the bar.

After the break we had much the better chances, with the 'keeper saving well from two headers by Darren Jackson and Narbett.

The breakthrough eventually came after 70 minutes when Mark Druce was fouled on the edge of the box and up stepped Les Robinson to curl the free kick around the wall and into the bottom corner of the net.

Team: Veysey, Robinson, Mutchell, Lewis, Wallbridge, Jackson, Narbett, Keeble, Druce, Didcock, Allen, subs not used: Holmes, Ford R

Matthew Keeble ... scored the equaliser against Portsmouth

FIXTURES

Aug	19	Wed	PORTSMOUTH	2-1
	24	Mon	Millwall	0-6
Sep	2	Wed	NORWICH CITY	(H)
	9	Wed	Wimbledon	(A)
	16	Wed	WEST HAM UNITED	(H)
	21	Mon	Crystal Palace	(A)
	30	Wed	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	(H)
Oct	9	Fri	Norwich City	(A)
	14	Wed	WIMBLEDON	(H)
	21	Wed	Fulham	(A)
	28	Wed	CRYSTAL PALACE	(H)
Nov	4	Wed	Brighton & Hove Albion	(A)
	11	Wed	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	(H)
	18	Wed	Portsmouth	(A)
	25	Wed	BRISTOL CITY	(H)
Dec	2	Wed	Ipswich Town	(A)
	9	Wed	ARSENAL	(H)
	15	Tue	West Ham United	(A)
	23	Wed	CHELSEA	(H)
	30	Wed	Bristol City	(A)
Jan	6	Wed	BRIGHTON & H.A.	(H)
	12	Tue	Arsenal	(A)
	20	Wed	SWINDON TOWN	(H)
	25	Mon	Charlton Athletic	(A)
Feb	3	Wed	FULHAM	(H)
	8	Mon	Chelsea	(A)
	17	Wed	WATFORD	(H)
	22	Mon	SOUTHAMPTON	(H)
	24	Wed	Tottenham Hotspur	(A)
Mar	9	Tue	LUTON TOWN	(H)
	16	Tue	Queens Park Rangers	(A)
	24	Wed	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	(H)
	30	Tue	Watford	(A)
Apr	5	Mon	Luton Town	(A)
	7	Wed	Swindon Town	(A)
	14	Wed	MILLWALL	(H)
	24	Sat	Southampton	(A)
May	5	Wed	IPSWICH TOWN	(H)

Unless stated home matches kick off midweek 7.30pm, Saturday 2.00pm

NEXT RESERVE GAME AT THE MANOR

Neville Ovenden Combination
Tomorrow Night

versus
NORWICH CITY
Kick-off 7.30pm

Admission: Adult £2.00, Concessionary £1.00
Season Ticket Holders - FREE

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elcome to the Manor for this evening's Anglo-Italian Cup game with Swindon Town and, in particular, to our pre-match guests - our Centre of Excellence lands.

We have one team in the red of Swindon and the other in the yellow of Oxford. So, get behind the boys and their colour.

The boys involved this evening are: Christopher Johnson, Christian Jones, Simon Lee, David Low, Kristopher Pointer, Michael Rouse, Mathew Tomkins, David Tregurtha, Spencer Warr, Neil Wilson, Stephen Green and David Watkins.

FIVE-A-SIDES

On Tuesday, August 18 the Oxfordshire County Council, in conjunction with Thames Valley Police and Oxford United, held their second annual girls' soccer five-a-side competition at Northway Sports Centre.

There were three different age levels: seven to 11 years, 11-13's and 13-16's.

The teams that took part were from Coven Witches, Quarry Rovers, South Park, Highfield Girls, Peers, Wychwood Girls, Kidlington Girls, Witney Vikings and Northway Girls.

The finalists were: 7-11years Coven Witches v Quarry Rovers; 11-13 years Southpark v Wychwood; 13-16 Quarry v Kidlington.

These finals will be held in the near future on the Manor before a home game.



Rosie (Peter Rhoades-Brown)

PRE-MATCH ENTERTAINMENT

The list of pre-match entertainment for late September and October reads as follows:

September 26, Tranmere Rovers - OCC five-a-side final (girls).

October 3, Birmingham City - Under nine penalty winners.

October 17, Barnsley - OCC five-a-side final (girls).

October 31, Watford - Under 12 penalty winners.

November 31, Portsmouth - Over 12 penalty winners

DON'T BE LATE!

If you are planing on coming to any of the above games it is well worthwhile arriving early to watch the enthusiastic efforts of our pre-match youngsters - boys and girls. Let's hope tonight's game leads us towards a European encounter. Enjoy the game.



This week Andy Howland takes a look back at the teenagers who have 'made the grade' with United

A total of 58 teenagers have represented Oxford in first team League and Cup matches in our first 30 League seasons.

Those making over 50 starts as teenagers were Andy Thomas (54), Les Taylor (57), Gary Briggs (64), Billy Jeffrey (76), Kevin Brock (77), Colin Duncan (80) and Jason Seacole (104). Graham Atkinson started 59 as a teenager but 38 of these were in the Southern League.

Our first League season (1962/63) saw six teenagers in the team; Graham Atkinson, Bowstead, Bryan, Buck, Higgins and Jacques. The following season Jim Cassidy and Hartland made their debuts and, in 1965/66, Colin Clarke made the first of his 492 first team appearances. Thornley, Lucas and Hatch all made teenage debuts during our championship campaign of 1967/68.

Second Division Debutants (1968-76)

Nineteen teenagers made their Oxford debuts in our first spell in Division Two. The 1968/69 season saw the debuts of Davy Jones and Crook who were followed the next season by Clayton, Clinch, Way, Thompson and Mick Kearns. Fleming, Light, Gough and Flay soon followed but it was another youngster who was to make the biggest impact after his debut at the age of 16 years 336 days in September 1973. This was Billy Jeffrey who was to make an amazing 356 first team appearances before his 26th birthday. The second youngest to play in the first team in our League years, Jeffrey was soon joined by a number of teenagers, many of whom had been discovered by the late Fred Ford.

The following season, Duncan (17) made 24 starts and teenagers Foley, McGrogan, Tait and Taylor all made debuts. McGrogan (17) was thrown in at the deep end in a League debut against Tommy Docherty's table-topping Manchester United who included Buchan, Macari, Morgan, McIlroy and Pearson ... (Oxford won 1-0).

The other four had very long careers of over 300 League matches. Taylor captaining Watford in the FA Cup Final en route to 518 League appearances, and Tait went on to play in the First Division in a career of over 600 matches which is still continuing at Hartlepool. Bodell and Gibbins made their debuts as teenagers in 1975/76, the latter, now with Cardiff has made about 600 league appearances.

From 1976-1984

Fifteen teenagers made their debuts for Oxford in this spell, the first four being Berry, Kingston, White and Seacole.

I always feel that, in terms of his playing career, Seacole was the unluckiest of our players of the past 30 years. At 15 he was a schoolboy international and a regular in our reserve team.

He made his first team debut at 16 years 149 days on September 7, 1976. This substitute appearance makes him United's youngest ever, as does his first full game at 16 years 174 days and his first League goal at 16 years 324 days.

He was a regular from before his 17th birthday, missing only 13 of the next 123 matches. By the end of 1978/79 he was only one month past his 19th birthday yet he had played 104 (plus 14 substitute appearances) League games. He had scored 24 first team goals but missed the whole of the following season through injury. He started just seven more League games before being forced to retire from League football.

In 1977-78 the debuts Gary Briggs and John Doyle made their debuts and were joined by Malcolm McIntosh, Jimmy Sweetzer and Gary Watson the following season.

The 1979/80 campaign saw the debuts of Mark Jones and Kevin Brock who, at 16 years and 357 days became our third youngest League player. The following season Mark Wright, aged 17, made his first full appearance and Thomas also made seven starts. Brock, Jones and Thomas were joined by teenagers Lawrence (1981/82) and Barnett (1982/83). With these youngsters, and the signing of many quality players, 1983-86 was a very successful period.

The First Division (1985-88)

In Autumn 1986 Reck made the first of nine appearances as a teenager and Mustoe's debut followed eight weeks later. Mustoe made three full appearances over the next 15 months but played the last 13 matches of our relegation season. In this spell Mark Lawrenson gave debuts to Nogan and Denton.

Back in the Second (1988-1992)

Beauchamp made his debut as a substitute on the last day of 1988/89 to be followed the next season by Byrne, Jackson and Mutton. Beauchamp started six matches as a teenager, Jackson (10), Byrne (four) and Mutton (one). Teenage loan player Walker played in 1990/91. Last season saw debuts for Allen and Wanless with Druce making two substitute appearances.

It is good to see that the club is now producing many talented youngsters to supplement the experienced professionals at the Manor.

Many of our teenage debutants have had very successful careers. Long may the trend continue.

** Andy Howland and his brother Roger are the club historians and co-authors of the club history entitled: 'Oxford United - A Complete Record'.*

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Today's 'Viewpoint' contributor is Beech Road supporter Ian Campbell who asks: Where have all the heroes gone?

Is it just me or are there no 'heroes' in the game today. Possibly it is the way the game is played nowadays but I am sure that most people have noticed the difference.

Where are the players who were heroes just after I started watching the game? You know the ones - like Frank Worthington, Tony Currie, Stan Bowles and Rodney Marsh of the seventies and eighties.

The only one that comes to light today is now in the twilight of his career and plays 30 miles down the road at Swindon. Yes, Glenn Hoddle.

These players could turn a game with just a shrug of the shoulder or a dribble and had the ability to open up a defence on their own.

With Paul Gascoigne now doing his bit over in the land of lira is there anyone left that people will flock to see?

I do not doubt that there are good, if not excellent, players in the English game - John Barnes springs to mind. But are they as charismatic?

Take for example the England side in the European Championships. We all know of the injuries which depleted Graham Taylor's squad - Gascoigne, Barnes, Wright, Stevens etc. But were we really exciting to watch? Did we really have the fans drooling for more?

I, like many thousands of others, sat in front of the television during the summer cheering on the lads. But for what?

Perhaps the final blow came when we saw David Batty as a temporary full back and a subdued Gary Lineker come off having missed out on a place in history by just failing to beat the goalscoring record of another great hero, Bobby Charlton.

I think that the difference is in the game we play now. It is more important not to lose and it is, therefore, easier to stop the other side than to use skills to score more at the other end.

No doubt that is why the former 'lesser' nations in Africa and Asia can now

compete having caught up the rest of the world. Who would have thought that England

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would need two penalties and extra-time to see off Camerons in the last World Cup!

To be fair to England though in the European Championships the Germans, Dutch and French were also disappointing. But Scotland played with such gay abandon that you felt that, although they did not qualify, their supporters were happy with their performance.

Maybe my heroes were luxuries in a side - certainly none of them had a long England career. But I felt they lit up a game. It would be nice to see another 'hero' emerge but, no doubt, I will continue to watch football and support the team I am addicted to.

But wouldn't it be nice to have our own 'star man'. Lucky old Swindon that is all I can say.

Viewpoint



A Focus On . . .

The First Time

Wakefield-born David Penney is probably United's man of the moment having scored in our opening two League games to add to his six goals in pre-season.

Dave joined United in the summer of 1989 from Derby County. After having spent five years in non-League football he joined Derby but never became a regular during his time at the Baseball Ground.

Although he prefers life 'up front' Dave has played in midfield and also for a spell last season at right back, scoring a tremendous winner against Wolves but having a low point by being sent off at Middlesbrough.

Always a hard working player, Dave is looking for a successful season having suffered with injury last term, again after an impressive start.

He had a spell on loan at Swansea at the end of the 1990/91 season where his penalty goal helped them to win the Welsh Cup.

DAVID PENNEY'S FOOTBALL FIRSTS

Name: David Penney
Age: 28 (d.o.b 17.8.64)
Married: To Karen
Children: Mark (3), Chelsea Louise (1)
Signed for Oxford: June 1989
First Club Played For: Friston Colliery
First Pro Club: Derby County
First Team Debut: 1987, against West Bromwich Albion
First Goal: v Swindon - header from rightwing cross
First Injury: Ankle and knee last season
First House: Two bedroom semi near Derby
First Car: Ford Escort
Current Car: Ford Sierra
First Team Supported: Leeds United
First Choice 'Pre-Match': Boiled chicken and beans
Favourite Food: Spaghetti Bolognaise

PLAYING RECORD

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Swansea*	12	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	13	4
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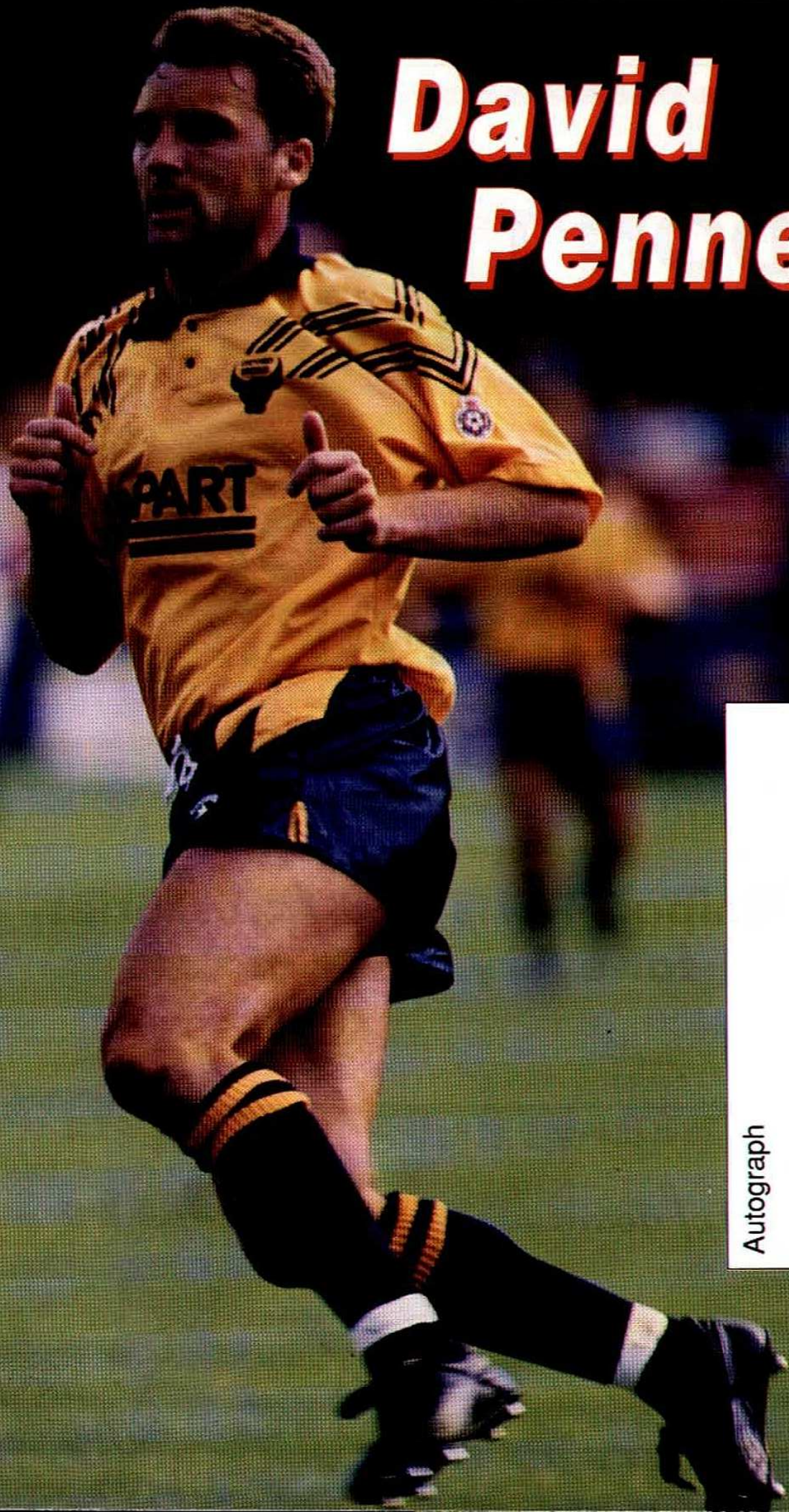
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Off the Cuff

What a topsy-turvy start to the season! Those who "should" be winning haven't managed to find the habit. And those who "should" be struggling are up at the top of the table.



At least that is the case in the top two divisions. After the early games the top four in the Premier League were Coventry, Norwich, QPR and Blackburn, while the two Manchester clubs and Spurs were languishing at the bottom.

And, in Division One, Charlton, Newcastle and Birmingham had 100 per cent records whilst Derby, everyone's tip for promotion, hadn't got off the mark. Neither had Cambridge who, last season, reached the play-offs.

I suppose it will sort itself out by the end of the season. But I can't remember a start quite like this before.

It was great to see United's team that played Barrow in the club's first ever Football League match in 1962 reunited exactly 30 years later at the Swansea game.

For me, one of the great pleasures was to meet former manager Arthur Turner, a man I had heard so much about but, having followed United for only a dozen years or so, hadn't come across him before.

There he was, a remarkably fit 83 year old enjoying all the reminiscences of those early days.

I gather some of United's long-standing supporters still have their programmes from that day. Interestingly, I caught out my colleague Nick Harris about that match - not

often that happens as far as United are concerned!

He didn't actually go but remembers well all the excitement it created. But he reckoned United had led 2-0 that day before losing 3-2.

I like the story about the Halifax manager appealing for sponsorship for his players otherwise he would have to sell them "... and the club cat!" Well, no sponsors came forward for the players but the moggy did get presented with cat food for the season from a local computer company.

I also like the story about Cambridge's 0898 Clubcall line. The number has been changed this season but some supporters are still dialling the old number. This now belongs to some lady called "Miss Whiplash" and the taped message starts: "So you're over 18 and think you're a man, do you?"

I wonder if she receives more calls than Cambridge did.

By the way, a word of praise for United's new-style programme. In previous years it has always stood up well in comparison with those from other clubs and I think the new look makes it even better.

It's bright and cheerful compared with some of the drab ones around the country ... rather like United's football.

Peter Baker



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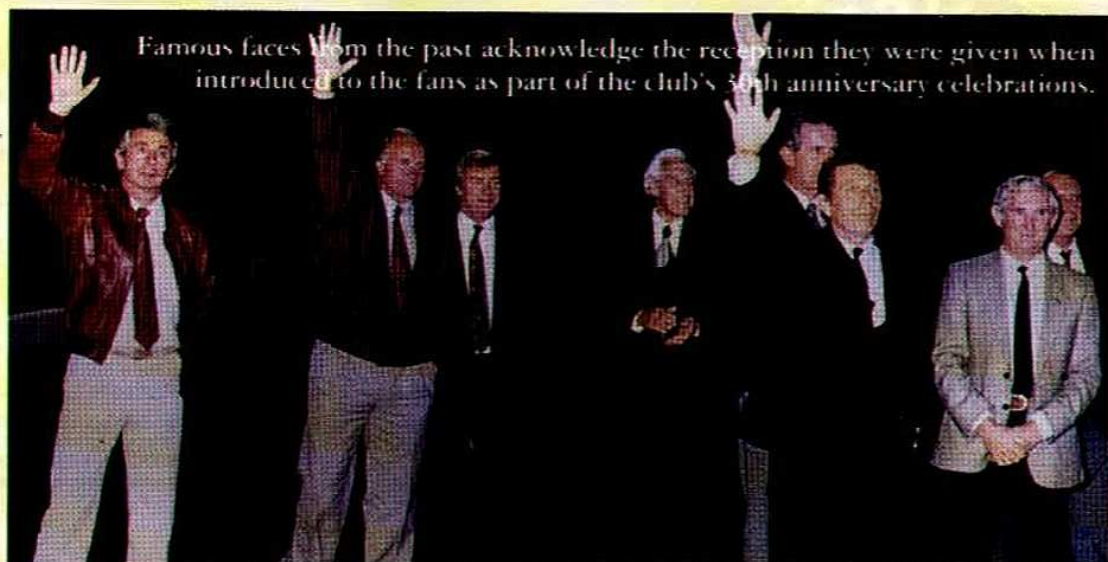
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Memories of August 15 1962, that historic day in our history when the club played its first ever Football League game, were rekindled on the night we played Swansea City in the Coca-Cola Cup.

We invited our manager at that time, Arthur Turner, and his players to the game to help celebrate the anniversary. The crowd gave Arthur and his 1962 lads a great ovation when they were presented to the fans at half-time. It was sad to note that of that team Maurice Kyle and Tony Jones had passed away.

Arthur and the gang pick John

The choice of Man of the Match against Swansea was a difficult one to make as all the team played well. So, to help us we went to the experts - the team of 1962 and their manager Arthur Turner. They plumped for John Durnin who played well on the left and then moved into the middle beside David Penney when substitute Chrissy Allen came on. Joey Beauchamp was a close second.



Famous faces from the past acknowledge the reception they were given when introduced to the fans as part of the club's 30th anniversary celebrations.



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Jim Magilton ...after missing the first three games of the season through suspension and injuries he returned at Swansea

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The Final

Many football clubs are looking to the future and move to a new site. Some clubs have succeeded, some have folded with dreams shattered. What As MARK SHANAHAN discovers, YOU can

Oxford United can't stay at the Manor. That's hardly news to anyone but it's time that the people of Oxfordshire woke up to the fact that, unless the club relocates, it will one day go out of business.

You only have to look at Maidstone to see an example of thwarted plans leading to a club's downfall. When the 'Stones' joined the League in 1989 they had big ambitions to build a new ground in the borough.

On the understanding that they would have no problem getting planning permission for the site they'd selected, they sold their London Road stadium and moved 30 miles away for a temporary groundshare at non-League Dartford.

Unfortunately, the local council kicked the plans for the new stadium into touch, fans weren't prepared to trek across Kent, and the club was less successful on the field. The net result was that the club folded last month.

The flip side of the coin is Charlton Athletic. According to Press spokesman Steve Dixon: "Charlton Athletic are viable at The Valley."

Ever since the the Chairman decided to move the club to share, first with Crystal Palace and then West Ham, the clamour has gone up for a return to SE7. And that clamour hasn't just been confined to the traditionalists.

Almost the whole of the local community got behind the campaign, helping to generate the £1.25m necessary to commence the required development work at the ground.

"We've got a hard core of around 6,500 fans," Steve continued. "So, it's obvious that not all the money came from them I expect us to draw nearly double that at The Valley but it's the only place that we'll be able to bank on that kind of support."

"I think we've proved that groundsharing doesn't work. With just the hardcore attending matches both at Selhurst and Upton Park, the club was dying. But the proposed moved back to our 'home' has given us the lifeline we needed."

"However, the money we pull in through the gates won't be enough to keep the club afloat. So, we're planning a bowling alley under the main stand which should be a real moneyspinner."

But where does that leave Oxford? Hopefully, not



hoping to re-develop or others are still hoping ... will happen to Oxford? help.

stuck at the Manor. Thankfully, there'll never be a Thames Valley Royals and, frankly, there's no other team around we could share with. So, in order to alleviate the problems of a ground with inadequate access, poor facilities for staff and spectators, insufficient space for entertainment and no room to expand, United must relocate.

The problem is not only to where but in what form.

Two examples of what other clubs are doing are Wrexham and Millwall.

"We decided not to move but to redevelop our existing site," said Wrexham secretary David Rhodes. "We don't have Oxford's space problems so we are able to virtually start from scratch."

Wrexham's ambitious plan is to build a 17,000 all-seater stadium with two office blocks, a leisure pool, cinema and hotel.

"We aim to create around 1,000 jobs on the site and that has gone down very well locally because we're in an unemployment black spot here," added David.

According to him the Racecourse Ground development, due to be finished in three years, has got off the ground only because of local support both from the town's population and the council.

"The town is poorly catered for in leisure and commercial facilities, so everyone wants a scheme that puts something back into the community"

Millwall will also have a new stadium soon - but not on the old Cold Blow Lane site.

"We're staying in South East London but moving out of the 19th and straight into the 21st Century in terms of facilities," said club official George Craig. "We've moved a long way from the old flat cap and Bovril days and feel our fans deserve something more."

The new 'Den' at Senegal Fields will open for business next season. A 20,000 all-seater, the stadium will have every modern convenience, from under-soil heating to live video match action. The site will be American run, a combination which, George predicts, is bound to succeed.

OXFORD'S AIM -

"We need to find a site which we can develop as a sports complex for the whole community. There will be no place for cinemas and hotels, simply top class sports facilities that will benefit the local population as well as Oxford United," Tim Midgley, Environment Director.

THE CHARLTON WAY -

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AT WREXHAM -

A 17,000 all-seater stadium with two office blocks, a leisure pool, cinema and hotel.

"The Americans have leisure down to a tee and will be able to put into practice moves we haven't even thought over here yet."

The council-owned stadium will also house a sports centre run by the council providing a public access facility seven days a week.

Oxford United's Environmental Director Tim Midgley is firmly against Wrexham's approach to redevelopment and feels that last year's Garsington saga has proved that Oxford folk want a different approach - more along the Millwall lines.

"We need to find a site which we can develop as a sports complex for the whole community. There will be no place for cinemas and hotels, simply top class sports facilities that will benefit the local population as well as Oxford United."

The wind of change is sweeping through football and a new stadium for Oxford is a must. If Wrexham and Charlton get the local population right behind them there's no reason why Oxford can't.

But if that support isn't seen soon United could be blown into football's backwaters - despite the strongest efforts of Tim and his fellow shareholders.

The Line - Ups

Paul Kee	1	Fraser Digby
Garry Smart	2	Nicky Summerbee
Mike Ford	3	Paul Bodin
Mickey Lewis	4	Glenn Hoddle
Ceri Evans	5	Colin Calderwood
Andrew Melville	6	Shaun Taylor
Jim Magilton	7	Micky Hazard
Joey Beauchamp	8	John Moncur
Nick Cusack	9	Craig Maskell
David Penney	10	David Kerlake
Jon Narbett	11	David Mitchell
John Durnin	12	
David Collins	14	

Tonight's REFEREE is 53 year old John Martin from Alton, Hants. He is married with one son and is a commercial accountant. John began refereeing for the Bromley and District League in Kent in 1958 and joined the Referees' List in the 1976-77 season. During his career he has officiated at a number of big matches, including the 1991 Leyland DAF Final and the 1990 Littlewoods Challenge Cup Final. When he is not refereeing, John enjoys all sports, particularly athletics, golf and bowls. He is Chairman of the Alton Youth FC and the Isthmian League Referees' and Linesmen Association.
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