

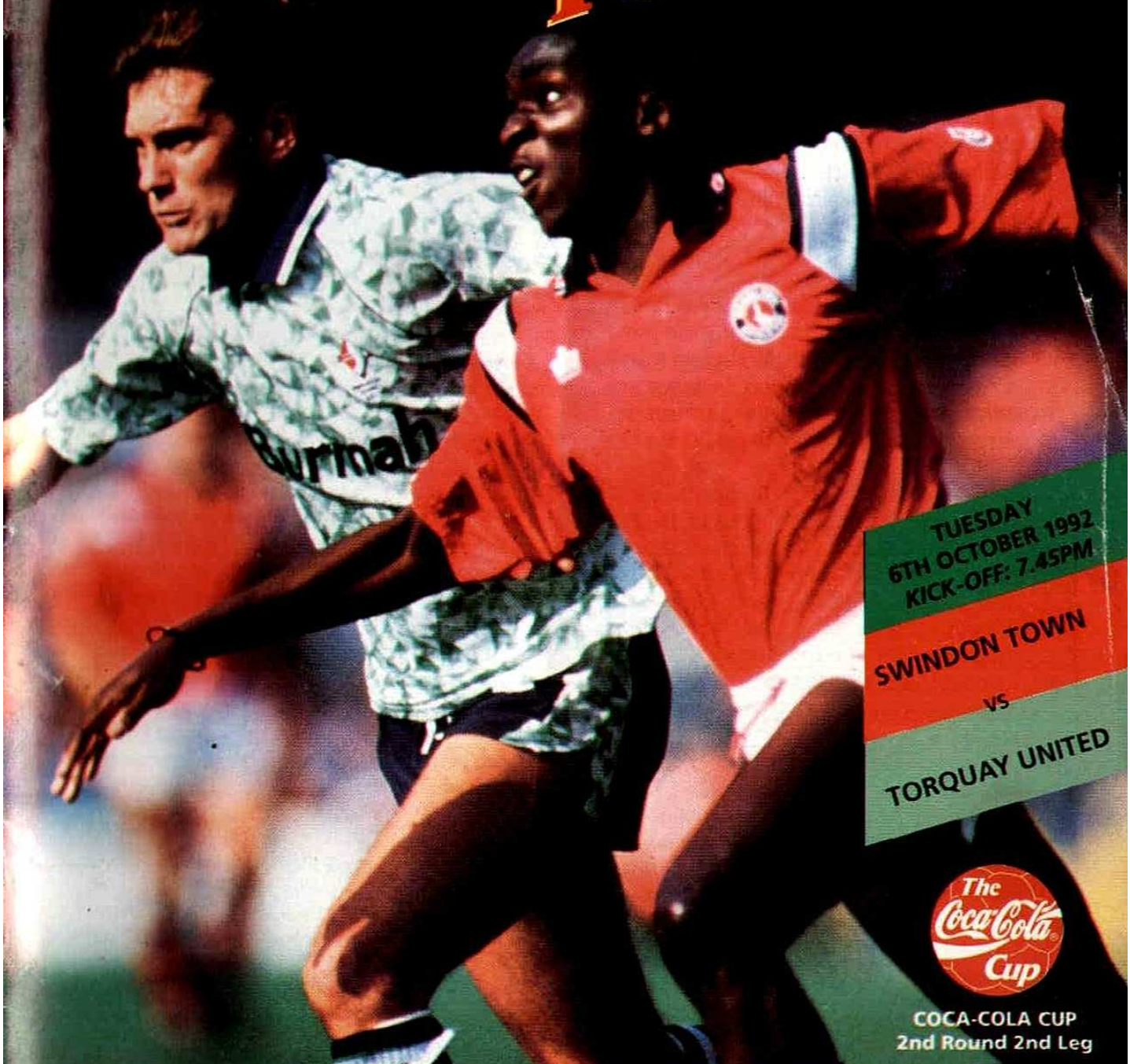


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From the Boardroom

As Managing Director of Burmah Petroleum Fuels I often get asked the question, "Why sponsor Swindon Town Football Club?" To be honest it is not as simple an answer as you may expect.

Sponsorship is just as important for the Club as it is for Burmah. In return for carrying the Company name, the Team gain valuable income that contributes to the running of the Club, but our relationship is not just based on money. Like many things in life, what you get out of something depends greatly on how much you are prepared to put into it and so as sponsors of Swindon Town we are committed to making our partnership work both for the Club and for Burmah.

It has been and will continue to be a tough time for the Club, at least for the foreseeable future. Many changes are taking place both within Swindon Town and indeed football itself. However, although it is a long road, some good progress has already been made and I hope that the expertise of my team at Burmah can help smooth the path a little.

The option to sponsor Swindon Town FC was at the time a big decision. I very much believe in local solutions, companies these days have an obligation to feed something back into the community. Swindon Town is not just the local football team, but the embodiment of our civic pride, whether you are an avid follower or an armchair fan. If a local company can't help take up the flag then who can? But also there is a very good fit nationally between our away games and the distribution of Burmah stations, thus helping to spread the word that both Swindon Town and Burmah are going places. Our partnership with

Swindon Town tells not only our own people but our customers as well that teamwork and the spirit to win are attitudes that we value highly.

The past is history - let's get on with the job in hand, we have only one way to go and that's up.

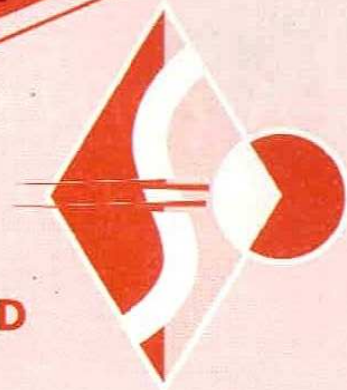
Premier League status is achievable and it is one of the Board's main objectives. That is not to say that we are forgetting the Coca-Cola Cup, this is certainly something that will boost the Football League and already the benefits are filtering through to Club level.

I must admit though, that I also have an immense personal interest in the game, so you can imagine how honoured I was when invited to join the Board. We have a tremendous opportunity this season to show everyone what we are made of, a sentiment I know Glenn believes in. Support is key, we all know how our own performance improves when we have the support and encouragement of our family and friends, so please join with us and together we will spur Swindon Town on to even bigger and better achievements.

Rikki Hunt
Associate Director



CLUB CALL



WITH JON POLLARD CLUB SECRETARY

WELCOME

This evening we welcome to The County Ground the players, officials and supporters of *Torquay United Football Club* for tonight's Coca-Cola Cup tie.

DRAW

The draw for the third round of the Coca-Cola Cup will be made tomorrow evening on Granada Television's Football Special and will be available later in the evening on the Teletext services.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE

This Saturday we return to action in the Barclays League when we meet Portsmouth at Fratton Park kicking off at 3.00pm.

Our next home League game is on Saturday 17 October when we entertain Notts County kicking off at 3.00pm. This game is the second in our Kid-a-Quid offer. This allows accompanied youngsters to have tickets in the Town End Family Stand for just £1 each provided they come with a full paying adult who is either a Season Ticket holder, County Club member or Day Card holder. Don't forget that you have to buy the tickets at least forty eight hours before kick off.

The game with Barnsley on

Saturday 31 October is another in the scheme.

RESERVES

Tomorrow afternoon the Reserves take on Fulham at Craven Cottage in the Neville Ovenden Football Combination kicking off at 2.00pm.

Their next home League game is on Wednesday 14 October when they will be out to avenge their recent 1-0 defeat by Millwall. Kick off here at The County Ground is at 7.30pm.

YOUTH TEAM

Last night the Youth Team took a break from League action when they travelled to take on local rivals Oxford United at The Manor Ground in the first round of the Midland Youth Cup. The two teams are scheduled to meet again this Saturday at Brasenose College in Oxford at 11.00am in the South East Counties League.

NEW VENUE

As well as in the South East Counties League our Youth Team also competes in the Allied Counties League. In previous seasons Town fans have had problems seeing them play with their home games in the Allied Counties League being played some distance away at Hungerford.

However this season we have come to a ground share agreement with the newly amalgamated Swindon Supermarine Football Club and will be playing our home games at their ground at South Marston. The next home game is on Monday 12 October at 7.30pm with the visit of Kintbury Rovers.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION

A reminder that after our game on Saturday 17 October against Notts County we will be holding an emergency evacuation exercise in the North Stand. We will be asking supporters in this area to, where possible, stay behind for a short time to assist in the exercise.

SWINDON KOALAS

Usually animals are not permitted into the County Ground, however, one bunch of furry creatures we will have no objection to seeing are the Koalas which are being sold outside at tonight's game. Money raised will be going to the Swindon Koalas, a charity set up to provide support, information and counselling to families who have a child with special needs. The Charity has been adopted by Swindon Town FC players who would thank you for your support this evening.

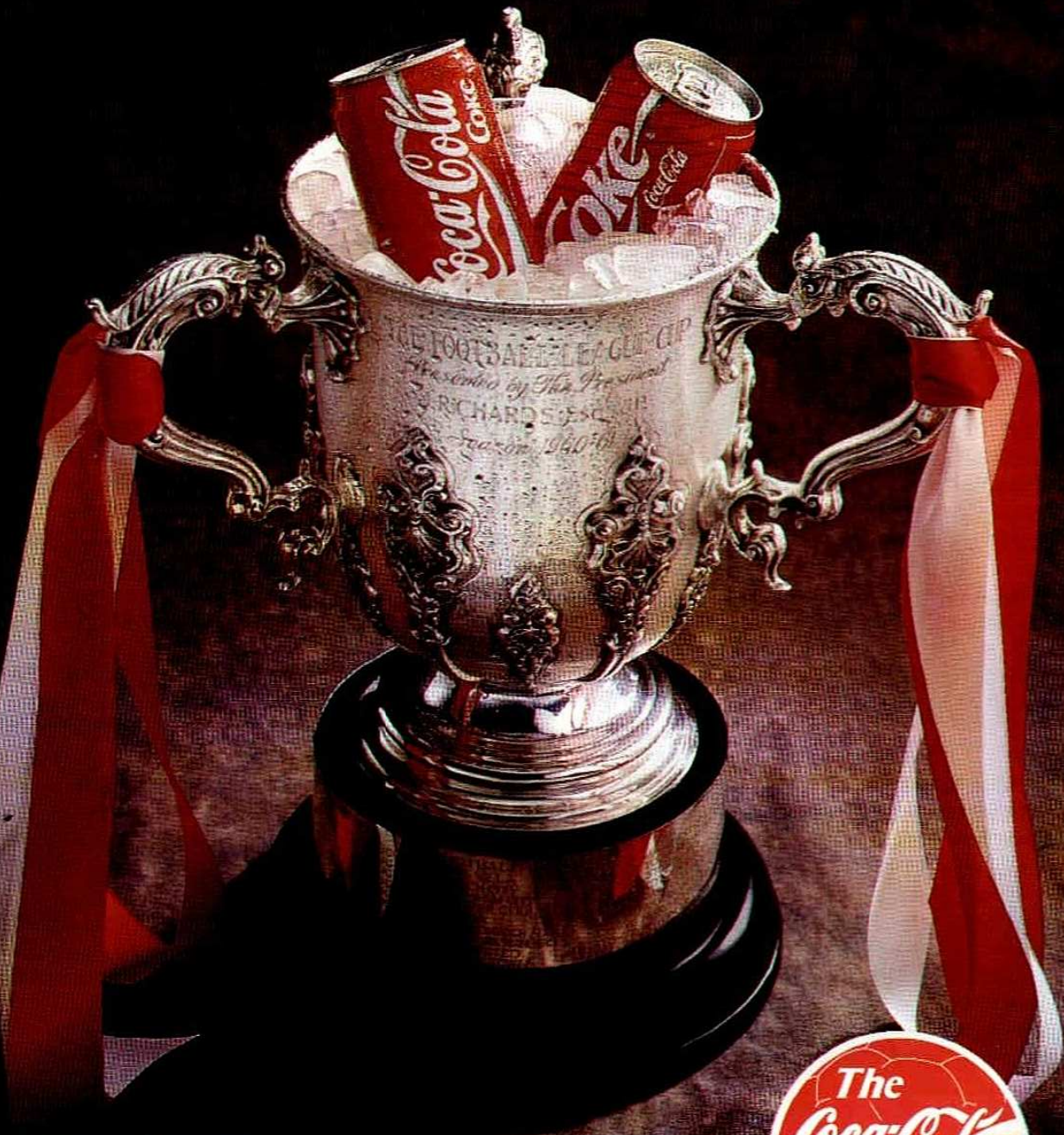
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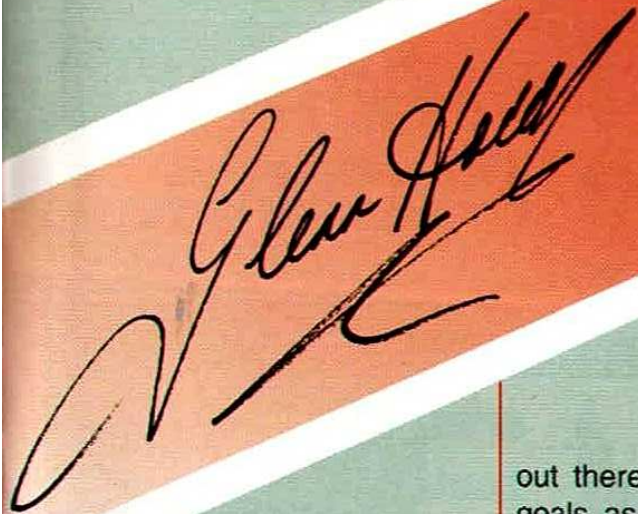
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On paper you had to fancy us beating the Third Division side but football doesn't always work that way as several Premier League and First Division sides have already found out this season. Yet we were impressive on the night. It was a nice satisfying performance.

It sets us up nicely for this second leg but we will not be treating the game lightly. I'm looking for another good professional performance from the lads. Our aim will be to go

out there and score as many goals as we can while at the same time letting none in.

That's what Torquay would want and expect from us. If they battle and do well, then great. It is up to them to learn from the experience.

From our point of view we must not let ourselves down in any way at all. It is when you are taking things easy and not fully concentrating that silly injuries can occur. We don't want that.

The instructions are clear. Go out and do the job. I certainly would rather have it this way than be in a close contest even



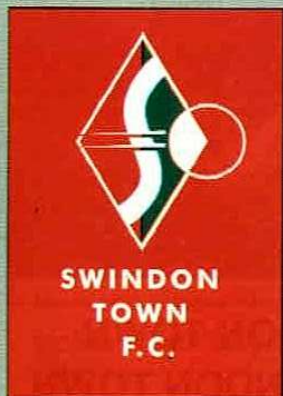
if it does keep the attendance down tonight. Our one objective is to be in the third round draw.

I'm not sure whether Justin Fashanu will play tonight. He was suspended for the first game. I played with Justin in the England Under-21 side many years ago. We were going into Eastern Europe and I remember him swapping passports with big Cyrille Regis before they went through customs. They weren't stopped!

No doubt many of you watched Leeds United in the European Cup. What a terrific advert that was for English football. They were very gallant.

But what a mockery it is for one of our top teams to have to play a tough League game on the Sunday for television - just three days before a crucial European game.

The football authorities should protect teams in Leeds United's position. Television does pump a lot of money into the game but surely there are times when football should come first.



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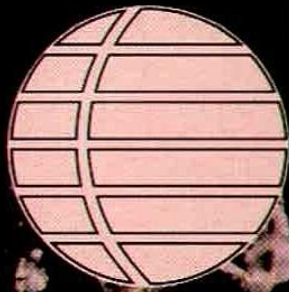
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NEWS ON *One*

Wolves underlined their promotion credentials last Sunday with an impressive 4-0 win at neighbours Birmingham City to put them into the top three of the table. Debutant Darren Roberts, a £20,000 signing from Burton Albion at the end of last season made a remarkable start to his League career by hitting a first half hat-trick.

Replacing the injured Andy Mutch at the last minute, 22 year old Roberts was delighted with his performance "It wasn't until an hour before kick-off that Andy Mutch told me he was injured and I was playing so I never had time to feel nervous. It's an absolute dream. I suppose it is my natural instinct to make near post runs and today it came off."

Another side with Premier League ambitions are West Ham who won 1-0 at Portsmouth thanks to the prolific Clive Allen's fifth goal of the season. After their failure to sign Charlton's Robert Lee the Hammer's Managing Director Peter Storrie says cash is available to strengthen the squad at Upton Park "Billy Bonds and

his staff are looking at several players but no more than that at present."

Lee, meanwhile has joined Newcastle in a £700,000 deal after rejecting an offer from his previous boss Lennie Lawrence at Premier side Middlesbrough. Lee was expected to sign for 'Boro but pulled out at the last minute and hopes Lawrence is not too aggrieved "I can understand if Lennie is feeling a bit bemused and I hope there are no hard feelings but he put me on the spot and wanted me to sign straight away. A telling factor was that Kevin Keegan used to be my idol." Ironically Lee made his debut for the Magpies against 'Boro in the Coca-Cola Cup. The game ended without a goal and was the first time this season that Newcastle have not won.

Millwall player-manager Mick McCarthy is enjoying his first full season with managerial responsibilities. However, his lack of experience has not affected the Lion's performances. Millwall are currently seventh in the table and McCarthy explains his philosophy of how his team is required to perform "What I want is for the team to play with aggression. Not dirty, but genuine aggressive football. I want us to be entertaining

and score goals, but I also want us to be good and tight at the back. The players are good enough and the only pity as far as I am concerned is that I have had to let good ones leave. The problem is that many were signed when the Club were in the First Division and were being paid First Division wages that are difficult to afford, since relegation.

Bristol City manager Denis Smith will have been pleased that his side only let Barnsley score once last Saturday following two five goal drubbings in a week at the hands of West Ham and Newcastle. Rebuilding the team since his appointment in March, Smith has placed veteran striker Nicky Morgan on the list "He has been a good servant to the club but he can leave as soon as things are right for him. He is a good professional but doesn't figure in my long term plans."



Denis Smith -
Rebuilding side.

Torquay United

Relegated from Division Three last season Torquay United looked for a fresh start under new manager Paul Compton - who took control last May - in the re-shaped League which sees them participating in the newly formed Division Three.

Before the big kick-off there was some activity in the transfer market with two key defenders, Matthew Elliott and Paul Holmes, moving out and Adrian Foster, Paul Trollope and Dave Walters moving in.

Elliott, the six-foot former Charlton defender, was snapped up by Southampton for £50,000 while Birmingham City paid the Gulls £40,000 for Holmes who had been voted Player of the Year last season.

The loss of two such talented players was bound to be felt for United, restricted financially, were unable to go out and buy replacements and thus have had to rely on home-grown youngsters to fill the breach.

The three newcomers were all free transfers; Dave Walters, at 31, the only experienced recruit, having played in goal for Plymouth Argyle and Exeter City.

Paul Trollope of course needs no introduction to Town fans. He

is the son of our Youth Team manager John and has learned his trade with us at the County Ground. Adrian Foster, a 21-year-old forward, arrived from West Bromwich Albion.

All three were included in the starting line of the opening game of the season at Crewe Alexandra, the team taking the field being: Walters, Davies, Davis, Saunders, Moore, Joyce, Hall, Foster, Fashanu, Myers, Trollope. With Darby and Colcough on the substitutes' bench.

Torquay were four goals down before Justin Fashanu and Duane Darby, who had replaced Davies in the 82nd minute, replied with two goals in the final ten minutes. Alas, it was too little too late.

Darby's eight minute run was enough to secure him a place in the starting line at Hereford in the Coca-Cola Cup. But once again Torquay fell behind. It was in the second half that the youngsters displayed their fighting qualities and when Fashanu and Darby repeated their goal-scoring act they returned to Devon in a happy frame of mind.

Fashanu and Darby struck again in a fine 3-2 win at Doncaster, where Chris Myers notched his first goal of the season and indeed Justin Fashanu, a teenage super-star at Norwich



City, was proving unstoppable as he led the 5-0 rout of Hereford United in the second-leg of the Coca-Cola Cup first round tie.

Foster too got in on the scoring act that night but it was Saunders, the captain, who made the headlines. The former Newcastle United defender (he played 50 First Division games for them and has served Carlisle and Dundee United as well) netted twice on the night.

Unfortunately Saunders, a club record signing at £60,000, was injured a couple of games later at Scarborough and has not played since.

Prior to that however, Torquay celebrated their first home game of the season, on September 6th, with a 2-1 win over Cardiff City. Fashanu scored his fifth goal of the season but was then sent off for use of the elbow - his third dismissal this year.

Foster took over the number nine shirt when Fash was suspended with Salman to strengthen midfield.

Against us in the first-leg of this cup-tie the Gulls youthful endeavour was just not good enough to stem the tide.



Back row (Left to Right): Arron Davis, Paul Hall, Neil Sang (No longer at Club), Adrian Foster, Scott Colcombe, Duane Darby.
Middle Row (Left to Right): Bruce Stuckey (Reserve Team Manager), Paul Trollope, Wes Saunders, Matthew Lowe, Dave Walters, Matthew Gardiner, Darren Moore, John James (Chief Scout).
Front Row (Left to Right): Jeff Franklin (No longer at Club), Chris Curran, Justin Fashanu (Asst. Manager), Paul Compton (Manager), Norman Medhurst (Physio), Chris Myers, Sean Joyce.

Scott Colcombe - *Forward.* Now in his second season at Plainmoor, he made 28 League appearances last season and scored his only goal in the FA Cup. Previously with West Bromwich Albion he is a tricky winger who loves to run at defenders with the ball. Born: Birmingham 15-12-71.

Chris Curran - *Defender.* In his third year as a professional after graduating through the YTS. Noted for his tough tackling he has established himself at rightback. Made 16 League appearances last term. Born: Birmingham 17-9-71

Duane Darby - *Striker.* A teenager with great promise he

already tops the Gulls' scoring chart this season. A first-year professional he scored two goals in 6(8) League appearances last season. Born: 17-10-83.

Justin Fashanu - *Striker.* Combines the roles of player and assistant manager. Made the headlines back in 1981 when he became the youngest £1 million player when Brian Clough signed him from Norwich City. Didn't see eye to eye with the Forest boss and accepted a drop in salary to join Notts County. Serious knee problems then disrupted his career for four years and he did the rounds trying to re-establish himself with clubs such as West Ham before settling

at Torquay. Led the Gulls goal charge last season with 10 in 21 League outings. Capped by England at Under-21 level. He was a top class amateur boxer before turning to pro soccer. Born Kensington 18-9-62.

Adrian Foster - *Forward.* A summer signing from West Bromwich Albion where he completed his apprenticeship to professional football. Scored one in 4 (4) League appearances for Albion last season in Division Three and netted his first goal for the Gulls in the 5-0 defeat of Hereford United in the previous round of the Coca-Cola Cup. Born: Birmingham 19-3-71.

T O R Q U A Y U T D

Arron Davis - *Leftback*. Came into football on the YTS and is one of a host of promising youngsters. Was given nine starts and three sub appearances in Division Three last season. A defender with an attacking instinct. Born: Essex 11-2-72.

Matthew Gardiner - *Rightback*. Still only 18 and on the fringe of selection he was introduced as a substitute at Bury last week. Born: Birmingham 28-3-74.

Paul Hall - *Forward*. With 38 appearances in the Third Division last season he was almost an ever-present. Managed only three goals however - one in the League and two in the Rumbelows Cup. Born: Manchester 3-7-72.

Sean Joyce - *Midfield*. Tough-tackling ball-winner now in his fifth season with Torquay. Started his career with Doncaster Rovers and moved to Devon on a free transfer. Has been to Wembley twice since then. Born: Conisborough 15-2-67.

Matthew Lowe - *Goalkeeper*. Has established himself as first choice in this his first year as a professional. Served a two-year YTS course and made 10 appearances in the first team towards the end of last season. Still only 18. Born: Halesowen 25-2-74.

Darren Moore - *Defender*. Another 18 year old, Darren is still on the YTS and will not become a professional until November. Even so he made five appearances in the Third Division last season. Born: Birmingham 22-4-74.

Chris Myers - *Midfield*. A local lad who left the club and drifted in non-League circles before being brought back to Plainmoor. Made more League appearances than anyone else for the Gulls last season and is influential in the middle of the park. Born: Yeovil 1-4-69.

Danis Salman - *Defender/Midfield*. signed from Plymouth Argyle just over three weeks ago on a free transfer. Very experienced competitor who came into League football with Brentford as a 15 year old, making his debut v Watford in November 1975. Millwall paid £20,000 for him in 1986. Last season moved to Plymouth - making 28 Second Division appearances. Capped by England at youth level. Born: Cyprus 12-3-60.

Paul Trollope - *Forward*. The son of Town Youth team manager John, Paul served his apprenticeship with us moving to Torquay in the close-season. Made his League debut on the opening day of the campaign at Crewe and has been a regular in the Gulls team. Born: Swindon 3-6-72.

THE MAN IN CHARGE



Paul Compton pulled on his boots for the first time this season when he turned out at Darlington in a Third Division game last Friday.

The Torquay boss, who made 19 League appearances last season, is still only 31 but restricts his games as he suffers from back and knee problems.

However, a thigh strain picked up by Danis Salman meant his services were required at the heart of the United defence and should Salman still be unfit for tonight we could see Paul in action again.

Born in Stroud, Paul came into football as a centre-half with Trowbridge Town and in 1980 was signed by Bournemouth - making his League debut in a goalless draw with Crewe in October 1980.

Made 63 League appearances for the Cherries before transferring to Aldershot in the season of 1983-4 where he made a further 13 appearances before signing for Torquay United, where he stayed until four years ago.

His career then took him to Newport County and he had a spell as manager of Weymouth but had gone out of football and was considering buying a milk round when Torquay offered him the position of Youth Development Officer last year.

Then last May Ivan Golac vacated the managerial seat and Paul took charge.

His step-son Lee looks like following in his footsteps too. He is on Schoolboy forms with the Gulls.

OUR CUP RECORD vs TORQUAY UNITED

Football League Cup

2-1	13 Aug 68	
	20 Aug 85	
2-2	03 Sep 85	2-1
3-0	26 Aug 86	
	02 Sep 86	3-2
	23 Sep 92	6-0

F.A.Cup

3-3	15 Dec 51	
	19 Dec 51	
3-1*	02 Jan 52	1-1 (a.e.t)
	18 Dec 79	3-3
3-2	22 Dec 79	

Associate Members Cup

0-0	20 Apr 46	1-4
	22 Apr 46	
	22 Jan 85	1-1
0-0 (a.e.t)†	05 Feb 85	

* At Bristol City FC
† Lost on penalties

TORQUAY'S CUP FORM THIS SEASON

Coca-Cola Cup

Hereford Utd	2	4	Fashanu, Darby
Hereford Utd	5	0	Fashanu, Foster, Saunders (2), o.g.
Swindon Town	0	6	Taylor (1), Maskell (1), Ling (1), Mitchell (2), White (1)

Those were the days...



BY PAUL PLOWMAN

... looks back at previous connections with today's visitors

By now, almost everyone will have been reminded that the first time the Town met Torquay in the League Cup, they went on to lift the trophy at Wembley. But it may not be common knowledge that our visitors were responsible for both the first goal to be scored at the County Ground in that memorable season and the first League goal that Swindon conceded at home. The fact more than nine weeks elapsed between the two events is quite remarkable. Tonight, we reflect on those 67 days in '68 that led to glory in '69.

The Town's season should have opened with a visit to Northampton on Saturday August 10, but as cricket rules the day at the other County Ground, Swindon's first opponents were Torquay three days later, for that League Cup First Round encounter. The Town had their three new signings on parade, centre-half Frank Burrows, centre-forward Chris Jones and a £17,000 midfield capture from the Gulls, the late John Smith.

John Rowlands had the honour of netting that first goal of 1968/69. Swindon skipper Stan Harland conceded a free-kick on the edge of the area and the ball bobbed around on a wet surface before reaching Pat Morrissey. He sliced his shot, which flew across goal for Rowlands to tap the ball over the line and give his side an 18th-minute lead.

Two goals from the Town in ten minutes turned the game around.

On the hour, Don Rogers and Roger Smart combined for the latter to crash the ball past advancing keeper Andy Donnelly. Rogers laid on the second for Peter Noble and got the ball in the net himself two minutes from time, but the effort was ruled out for offside. Swindon thus went into the hat for the Second Round draw, which took them to Bradford City on September 4.

Meanwhile, the Town's Third Division programme finally got under way with the visit of Stockport County and a Noble goal ten minutes from the end was sufficient to secure the points. A goalless draw at Hartlepool on the following Saturday, August 24, was marred by the loss of full-back John Trollope with a broken arm, bringing an end to his 100% appearance record over the last seven years. Three days later 16,765 turned up at the County Ground for the local derby with Reading, but again they saw no goals.

Plymouth Argyle came to Wiltshire on the last day of August. Two goals from Rogers and a third from Smart produced a comfortable 3-0 win. A third 0-0 draw, at Watford on September 7, was the Town's fifth successive League game without conceding a goal.

Swindon's trip to Bradford saw them take the lead with a Smart header just before the break. Tony Leighton equalised with twelve minutes to go, bringing City back to the County Ground on

September 10. On that night, the Town survived going two goals down in 16 minutes to grab a 4-3 victory.

Walsall became the sixth side to fail to register a League goal against Swindon, a 9th-minute Noble effort being enough to clinch victory. But the run ended on Wednesday September 18, when Bournemouth's Ray Bumstead beat Peter Downsborough after 28 minutes to send the Town on their way to a 2-0 defeat. The shut-out had lasted 568 minutes. Swindon slipped again three days later, going down 2-1 to Bristol Rovers at Eastville.

But back at the County Ground, they were still keeping the goals out. Blackburn Rovers were dismissed 1-0 in the Third Round of the League Cup on September 24 and both Shrewsbury Town (3-0) and Orient (1-0) returned home pointless. Away victories over Reading and Brighton followed, before the Town journeyed to Coventry for their next League Cup battle. Only goals in the last four minutes (yes, it happened even then!) denied them a First Division scalp at the first attempt.

Torquay returned to the County Ground on October 19 in search of League points. But goals from Rogers, on the stroke of half-time, and Noble, gave the Town a fifth successive League victory. Swindon's opponents were once again denied until Alan Welsh's goal four minutes from the end, after 626 minutes play.

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Due to a late cancellation we now have a vacancy for a sponsor of the match ball for our next home League game against Notts County. The match ball package consists of four of the best seats in the North Stand, pre-match buffet in the Executive Lounge, half time refreshments, an autographed football and matchday programme with acknowledgement of your sponsorship.

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soring the Notts County match ball or one of the few other games still available please call us.

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Coca-Cola put the fizz into the Cup

When the Football League Cup was first launched onto an unresponsive public in 1960, it was dismissed as just another incumbrance on an already overcrowded season by many of the big establishments. It was an understandable reaction from the League's elite whose interests were turning towards the more lucrative markets of European competition.

The League Cup was the baby of the then League Secretary, Alan Hardacre, and was intended as a means to generate more liquid assets through dwindling turnstiles. The concept was right, for the possibility of Mansfield Town entertaining Manchester United in such a competition could only swell the Field Mill club's coffers. The problem was that for the project to succeed it needed the full backing of the major powers. Alas they had other forms of income which were more profitable and so naturally were not too concerned about the new competition.

Even so, despite the vocal opposition the clubs did agree by 31 votes to 15 to inaugurate the Football League Cup competition in 1960, and as the organisers prudently made entry optional, the venture proceeded.

Arsenal, Tottenham Hotspur, Sheffield Wednesday, West Bromwich Albion and Wolverhampton Wanderers declined to enter and this helped spread the illusion that this was very much a second class tournament. The format was quite simple with the first five rounds played on a knockout basis and the semi-final and final played over two legs, home and away.

There were goals galore in the opening round. Cardiff City won 4-3 at Middlesbrough, Derby County won at Watford 5-2, Bolton Wanderers at Hull City 5-1 and Chelsea v Millwall 7-1 while the Newport County vs Southampton tie ran to two replays producing 16 goals. But even so, the Football League Cup could not capture the magic of the F.A. Cup.

In 1966 the competition was made when it was decided to have a show-piece final at Wembley Stadium. This sparked off a show of enthusiasm and 90 of the 92 League clubs entered the competition for the 1966-67 season. A further carrot was the prospect of automatic entry into the UEFA Cup for the winners.

So the League Cup established itself as a major domestic tournament. The big clubs found they needed the cash boost as well as a further opportunity to qualify for Europe, and the League Cup was at last taken seriously.

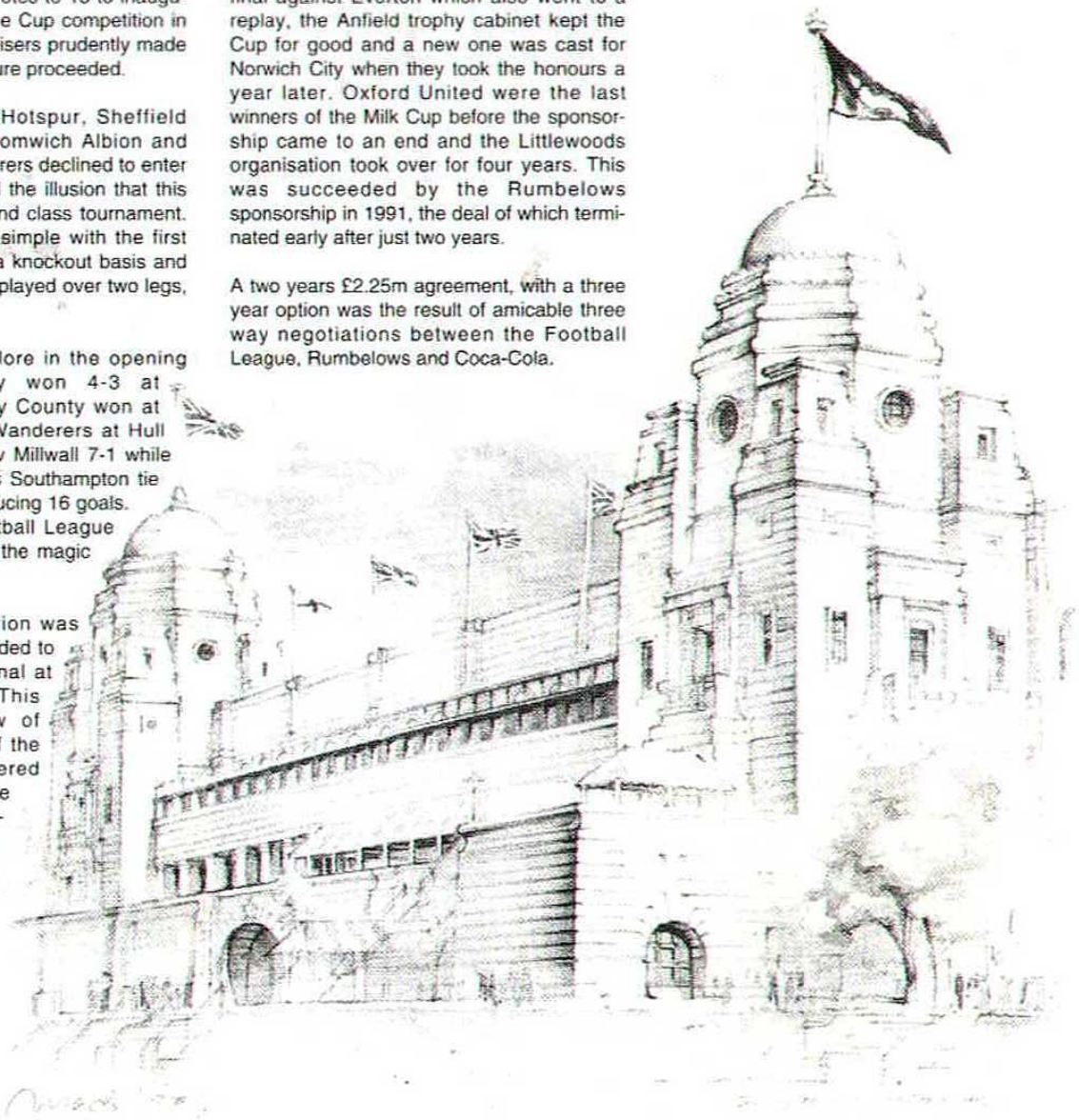
In a way this altered the whole image of the competition. From the start the League Cup generated its own tradition, a tradition of success for the less glamorous members of the League. Little Rotherham United featured in that very first final against Aston Villa, then Rochdale. Norwich City, Stoke City, Queens Park Rangers, Southampton and of course Swindon Town all savoured the magic of playing in a major Cup Final.

Ten years ago a new name appeared on the Cup. Not that of a Football League club but that of the Dairy Council when the competition became the Milk Cup with the first sponsorship of the Cup. For the first three years the mighty Liverpool won the trophy, all games after extra time. After the 1984 final against Everton which also went to a replay, the Anfield trophy cabinet kept the Cup for good and a new one was cast for Norwich City when they took the honours a year later. Oxford United were the last winners of the Milk Cup before the sponsorship came to an end and the Littlewoods organisation took over for four years. This was succeeded by the Rumbelows sponsorship in 1991, the deal of which terminated early after just two years.

A two years £2.25m agreement, with a three year option was the result of amicable three way negotiations between the Football League, Rumbelows and Coca-Cola.

Coca-Cola boasts the longest international involvement in the game of any brand, an association which began prior to the 1978 World Cup when Coca-Cola was instrumental in establishing FIFA's commercial programme. Coca-Cola has been a major sponsor of every World Cup tournament since then and is already committed to support the 1994 Finals in the United States. It's European Championships including this summer's in Sweden. For over a decade Coca-Cola has been a sponsor of the European Cup and of the European Cup Winners Cup.

Now Coca-Cola have put the fizz into a top domestic competition and from the first round right through to the Wembley Final the Coca-Cola Cup will be the source of fun, excitement and special moments for the Countries football fans, qualities which are traditionally associated with the Coca-Cola brand. You can't beat the feeling!



STAR OF THE WEEK

PLAYER PROFILE

NICKY HAMMOND

PLAYER PROFILE

When Nicky Hammond was called into goal for his first game of the season last Tuesday he admits he felt a little nervous. The pouring rain and slippery surface certainly didn't provide ideal conditions for a goalkeeper charged with keeping everything out for the night.

The battle between Nicky and Fraser Digby for the number one shirt was one of the intriguing contests of last season. Nicky just shading it with 25 League appearances to Fraser's 21. This term though Fraser again started as the number one choice only to lose it after registering just two clean sheets in 11 League and Cup appearances.

Such are the demands of the modern game there is little room for error particularly when there are two custodians of such high standing available for selection.

"We both know the situation," smiles Nicky. "It can be difficult when you know that if you make a couple of errors you will be out of the team.

"On the other hand we know where we stand and that if we do lose our place there is always the opportunity to win it back again. I have been on the sidelines biding my chance and

now Fraser is in the same position.

"I was quite pleased with my game against Grimsby and very thankful that I did not have to deal with the situation confronting their goalkeeper in the opening minutes. He went down to save a shot from 20-yards but couldn't hold it in the slippery conditions and Craig pounced to pop it into the net.

"Glenn had made a point of this in the dressing room before the game telling the lads to chase in every shot at both ends. Thankfully, though I was under quite a lot of pressure at times, we didn't have a similar incident at our end.

"This was my first senior game under the new back-pass rule and it seemed to go okay. The circumstances are much different to reserve football when you have six or seven thousand waiting for you to make a mistake.

"Overall I was pleased with the way I read the game. It most definitely was not a night for taking chances."

It is just over a year now since Nicky was given his big chance at Port Vale. That run lasted six games before injury knocked him out of the side. He claims: "I'm much more experienced than I was then and know what to expect. That was the first

chance I had of a run in the first team and it did me a power of good.

"But it is becoming even more difficult for Fraser and me. Not only have we this new back-pass situation to deal with but a new ball as well. This season we have switched to an Adidas ball which the lads love. But I can tell you Fraser and I hate it. It is very light, moves a lot in the air, and really flies. If the striker catches it right it goes like a rocket. All designed to make a goalkeeper's lot not a happy one."

Even so Nicky is not going to let a little thing like that distract him as he strives for the sort of consistency that will keep him at the forefront of selection.

There is no animosity between the 'keepers who work hard together and are friends off the field. Says Nicky: "I don't think people can really understand our problems unless they have played in goal. It is nice that we can discuss situations with each other and work on them in practice."

It was against Watford here last season that Nicky collected the injury that kept him out of the side for the next four games. He's hoping there will be no repeat of that, as he looks for another clean slate this evening.



Nicky Hammond

~ SWINDON TOWN ~

Sporting Club Dinner

Thursday 3rd December 1992.

Guest Speaker -

Bobby Moore

(Captain of the 1966 World Cup Winning Team)

Comedian -

Tommy Quinn

Plus - Superb four-course meal

Venue - The De Vere Hotel, Swindon

Ticket Price - £25 each + VAT or £230 + VAT for a table of 10

Dress - Lounge Suit

Audience - Mixed

If you would like to book tickets for the dinner, please contact the Marketing Dept.
on 0793 430430.



ON THE ROAD

The team will be travelling to away games this season in style in a new Bora Futura coach owned by Barnes Coaches of Marlborough who hold the contract for the Club's travel arrangements.

Inside the coach boasts all the latest luxuries including T.V. and video, galley with microwave and refrigerator, toilets and superb reclining seats.

The coach is resplendent in its new Burmah corporate livery.

Gorman's GROOVE

WITH
JOHN GORMAN

What a great attitude was shown by Torquay's management team of Paul Compton and Justin Fashanu and their staff and players after our victory at Plainmoor two weeks ago. Although we won so well their players put everything into the game and were a credit to third division football. On the night they tried to play attacking football but we were on our right metal and certainly gave the supporters of both teams something to cheer about!

Torquay's lads admitted after the game that they had received a football lesson but talking for a while after the game they wanted to find out exactly what we did in training to achieve the standard and movement we displayed in the first leg.

With their dedication and movement it just goes to show that bright times are ahead for Torquay United.

This evening Paul Trollope makes a return to The County

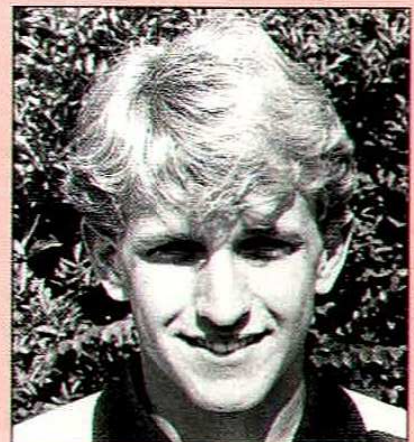
Ground to come up against his former team-mates and also we hope to be able to see Justin Fashanu back in action after his recent suspension.

Justin has done very well for himself in his career which looked a few years ago to be all but over. As a youngster he showed his skills while with Norwich City. Who can forget that brilliant goal captured by the cameras against Liverpool. Fash then spent time at Nottingham Forest, Notts County and Brighton & Hove Albion before a serious leg injury threatened to end his time in the game. All credit to him, he went to America to try and get fit and had several come back games here with West Ham United, Leyton Orient and Newcastle United. Just when it seemed he would have to hang up his boots he was given his chance by Torquay and he now finds himself on the managerial ladder.

This Saturday we travel to meet Portsmouth at Fratton

Park. Although they have lost several of their star names from last season, Pompey are always a very difficult team to play against. Our game with them last season was an absolute cracker. We drew 1-1 with them just before their FA Cup semi-finals against Liverpool.

We have lost our last two away fixtures in the League and will want to improve on last years away results so we'll be going to Fratton Park in a more than determined mood.

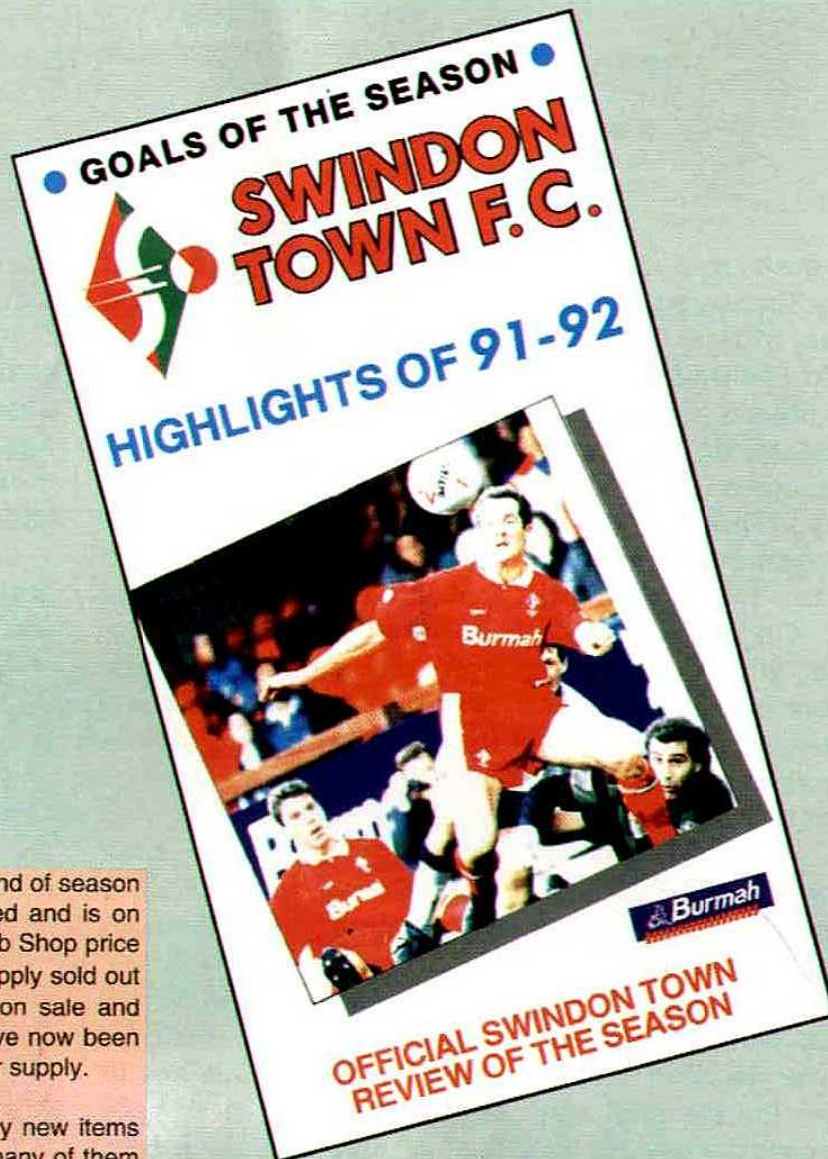


Paul Trollope -
welcome return.

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A new supply of our end of season Club Video has arrived and is on sale now from the Club Shop price £11.99. The initial supply sold out within days of going on sale and we are pleased to have now been able to obtain a further supply.

Also on sale are many new items for the new season, many of them part of the Swindon Town/ BURMAH range.

These items along with the official Club Shell Suit, replica kits and usual souvenirs can be purchased from the Club Shop by Mail Order.

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Home & Away

The Pompey Chimes have had a flat ring about them in recent weeks as Jim Smith's team have struggled to find the form that made them one of the most exciting sides in the division last season.

Pompey lost their unbeaten home record last week when they were beaten 1-0 by West Ham United and by all accounts it could have been an even more embarrassing afternoon had not goalkeeper Alan Knight put on a super show.

We hope he is not in such good form next Saturday when Town arrive at Fratton Park in search of our second away win of the season in Division One.

Last March we looked well set for our first win at Fratton Park since 1989 when Tom Jones gave us the lead but a much disputed penalty decision went against us and it finished 1-1.

Since then of course Portsmouth have lost the likes of Darren Anderton and Martin Kuhl but there is still plenty of quality with players such as Andy Awford, Colin Clarke - who has just claimed the Northern Ireland International scoring record - and Guy Whittingham ... It promises to be quite a game.

A week later Notts County make their first appearance at the County Ground since November 1990. The score on

that occasion was 0-0 but with the Magpies struggling to rebuild following demotion and leaking 15 goals in their opening eight games, there seems little likelihood of a repeat of that scoreline.

County have lost at Birmingham, Derby and Millwall - where they were hammered 6-0! Yet in a dismal start to the season they have saved their best for away trips with wins at Peterborough United and Watford.

Following the departure of central defender Craig Short to Derby County for £2 million Neil Warnock has invested £400,000 on Peterborough stopper David Robinson as his replacement. But can Robinson and his colleagues stop the Swindon attack? Make a date with us on Saturday October 17th at 3.00pm to find out. It's Swindon Town v Notts County for First Division football at its best.



*Craig Maskell -
Can he scatter the
Magpies feathers?*



COLIN'S CORNER

**WITH
COLIN
CALDERWOOD**

We go into tonight's game 6-0 up but that does not mean we can take it easy. Torquay are a youthful but brave side and even when they were six down they kept coming at us. They were a credit to themselves and their supporters.

We know that if our mental attitude is wrong tonight they could make it an uncomfortable evening for us. If our minds are right then it will obviously be easier for us physically.

I tell you one thing, we want to win the game, there's no two ways about it.

Torquay are a very young and enthusiastic team and it was nice to see Paul Trollope doing well for them. It is always good to see youngsters making the grade. It was perhaps unfortunate for him that he was coming through here at a time when the team were doing so well.

Paul is a good professional. It can't have been easy for him with his dad on the staff. But they both handled it very well.


Good luck Paul from all the lads. It is great to see you playing in the First Team.

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Fraser Digby	Fiona Bates, Malmesbury		Princess Hotel, Beatrice St.	Geoff James, Banbury, Oxon		
Darren Hall						
Nicky Hammond	"Follow the Town Away with The Travel Club"					
Micky Hazard	Mrs J. Chilcott	Dawn and Richard Hartas	JWD Autorite, Car Repairs			
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What a turn up last week when Leeds United thought they had been knocked out of the European Cup only to be reprieved by what a German newspaper called "amateurish" organisation on the part of the VfB Stuttgart.

It seems that nobody at Elland Road - and that includes the media - spotted Stuttgart's mistake in including four foreign players. It was the German television station screening the game that was alerted to the error when they were inundated with telephone calls from viewers.

Obviously when rumours of the breach of UEFA regulations reached Leeds the following day they got straight in touch with UEFA.

The Germans are not the only ones mystified by the rules for senior executives at Old Trafford misinterpreted them to their own cost it seems, though their claims that they omitted Ryan Giggs from the first leg of their UEFA Cup tie with Torpedo Moscow because they thought he was

classed as a foreigner do not stand up. Alex Ferguson moaned after the 0-0 draw at Old Trafford that Giggs would have been more use on the night than Kanchelskis. If that was the case why didn't he play Giggs and leave Kanchelskis out?

Manchester United made over £21 million out of their European Cup Winner's Cup run two years ago. The cost of failure is great.

But why all the confusion ... The rules seem clear enough. They state: "The 16 or fewer players chosen by a club to take part in any match under competition rules ... should not include more than three players who are not eligible to play for the national association with which the club is registered."

Now even Vinnie Jones surely can understand that ... UEFA also allow two additional "assimilated players" - those are players who have come through the youth ranks (i.e. Ryan Giggs) in the country in which they are playing, or who have played there continuously for five years.

Stuttgart officials pleaded for "a merciful ruling" and I suppose by that they meant a replay. However the rules are

rules and Rangers vs Leeds United should have been the only outcome.

Alas our own European aspirations have come to nothing. Brentford's 2-0 defeat of Oxford United in the Anglo Italian Cup means that they win the group and travel to Cesena and Ascoli for some winter sunshine.

If justice was done for Leeds it certainly wasn't for us in this competition - two blatant hand-ball incidents not spotted by the referee when we played Brentford and Micky Hazard so close when he crashed his shot against the woodwork...

Still. Who wants the worry of whether your players are eligible or not?

Jon Pollard maybe!



Micky Hazard - rapped the woodwork against Brentford in the Anglo Italian Cup



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INSIGHT

Ross MacLaren has almost become the forgotten man of the County Ground following injuries which have left him lying in bed ticking off the days.

It all started with a hernia operation in the summer which he felt confident would end the problems which had hampered him so in the second half of last season.

Ross is very much a doer and was anxious to take part in the pre-season activities and indeed he played in the first couple of friendly warm-up matches. But all was not well as he explains:

"I could feel the same pain as I had before. At first you tend to dismiss it from your mind, pretend it is not there, but it was. So it was back to see the doctor.

"He gave me another injection but I knew deep down that it wasn't right."

Ross's instincts were correct and just over

three weeks ago the Scot underwent further surgery.

Says Ross: "They have stretched the tendons around the groin. Kevin Morris says that the cut is very deep and therefore will take a long time to heal. The doc was talking about six weeks.

Not easy for a man who is used to being at the peak of fitness and running about. Kevin felt that six-weeks was too long - he could be back in four.

Inevitably he did too much and found himself back in bed for one-and-a-half weeks after contracting an infection. Having recovered from that Ross was at it again to try and start building up the wastage in his muscles.

The day we played Oxford United here he was in good heart. He said: "I have done some stretches and held the ball between my legs."

Such a simple exercise is a big step forward for Ross who, since the operation, has lost all the power in his left leg.

"I was quite happy," he claimed. "I knew this

with Colin Benson

would happen and that it would take a long while to build up the muscles again. The medical people told me it would be six weeks before I could do anything at all."

Unfortunately Ross's enthusiasm and determination to make a quicker return have floundered. Last Thursday he was supposed to travel to Harley Street for a check with the specialist. Ross was hoping to get the all-clear to go to Lilleshall for specialised remedial work. But he never got there.

He explains: "I went home on Wednesday and didn't feel too well. My leg was badly swollen and so it was off to the doc again. I've got another infection in the cut."

Poor Ross is laid up again, even unable to come to the match, resting and on antibiotics. It is so hard for a man who has hardly missed a game since his arrival from Derby County four years ago. Could it be because this is his 13th season as a professional?

Who knows. But one thing does seem clear. One of Ross's biggest battles will be kerbing his own enthusiasm to get back into training.



Ross MacLaren

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Football is much more than a game of 90 minutes. Every day clubs throughout Britain are providing recreational and sporting opportunities for their local communities.

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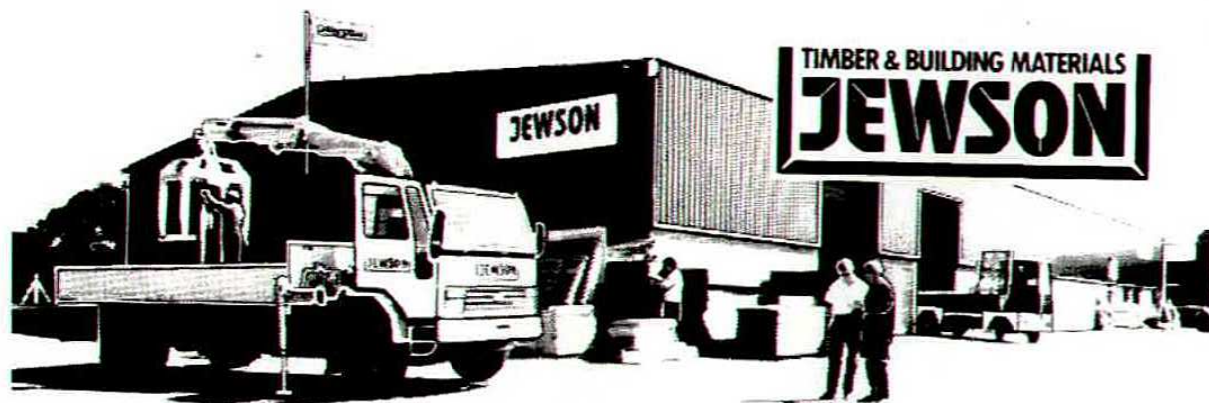
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On The Wing

SWINDON TOWN F.C. SUPPORTERS

On the away trip to Charlton Mr John Barnes held a raffle on behalf of Diabetic Research, a very worthwhile cause and an illness which affects a great deal of people.

The Travel Club Coaches raised £121, and SAS Travel coaches raised £92.

Mr Barnes would like to thank all of those who contributed.

Social Club

The Social Club has a few vacancies for new members, so if you would like to join pop in to the Social Club Office where one of the Committee Members will be pleased to help you.

We have darts, snooker and skittles teams and Social Events which are advertised on the Notice Boards inside the Club.

A date for your diary is the Christmas Pantomime on Sunday 13th December, this is a really good show for both children and adults.

If Bingo is your game we have sessions three nights a week on Sundays, Tuesdays (if there is not a game) and Fridays. Obviously the bigger the attendance the bigger the prize money.

The Social Club can also be booked for your private function on Wednesday, Thursday or

Saturday evenings, details are available direct from the Social Club.

This does not affect membership as we have two rooms as well as a skittle alley.

Junior Robins Awayday

The Junior Robins will be having their first away trip of the season this Saturday when Swindon Town face Portsmouth at Fratton Park in the Barclays League.

The trip is open to all Junior Robins members. Included are matches in the morning against the Portsmouth Juniors, a snack lunch and a ticket to watch the big match in the afternoon.

The cost of the trip, which is to include travel, is £7 for Junior Robins members and £7.50 for their parents or guardians. With only 50 places available on the coach we have to limit the adults to two per Junior Robin.

We will be travelling with the Swindon Town Travel Club with the coach departing from the County Ground at 9.00am.

We regret that there is no

guarantee that every boy or girl attending will be able to take part in the morning games at Portsmouth.

If you would like to travel with the Junior Robins please contact Justine Phillips in the Marketing Department on Swindon 430430.

Saturday Disco

Why not stop off this Saturday after the game at Portsmouth at the Supporters Club Disco being held in the Social Club at The County Ground. Admission for members is just 50p or £1 for non-members.

Travel Club

This Saturday the Travel Club are running coaches to Portsmouth leaving the County Ground at 11.45am with the fare at £6.50.

We are also taking bookings now for the fixture with West Ham United at Upton Park on Saturday 24 October. Departure time for this game is 11.30am costing £6.50. We are open after tonight's game for bookings and again tomorrow evening and on Thursday from 7.30pm until 9.30pm.

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Rowland's RESERVES

Although we lost last week's game against Wimbledon in the Neville Ovenden Football Combination by a single goal, the performance from the lads was very pleasing indeed.

We restricted the Dons to one or two half chances, matched them in the tackle and outplayed them in open play.

The only thing we were not able to do was hit the back of the net and Wimbledon are one of those teams who defend for their lives, throwing bodies at the ball in and around the box and generally making it difficult for players to get on the end of crosses and through balls.

From the start we took the game to them, with Marcus Phillips and Lee Middleton dominating the midfield area and Nicky Summerbee making several great runs down the right. We really should have done better by getting on the end of one of "Buzzers" crosses as it was chances which went begging we were to regret at the end of the match.

Adrian Viveash marshalled his defence well and Andy Thomson made an excellent return to the side after missing six weeks through injury.

The only goal of the game was a travesty of justice and even this unfortunately came from a mistake by Fraser Digby. Sadly for goalkeepers one error can



ANDY ROWLAND

be so vital whereas outfield players can quite often get away with several mistakes without being punished. As it was it proved crucial and we ended up disappointed because we had played well and deserved better but as we all know at times you do not get what you deserve. However, I'm sure that if our efforts are channelled in the same way throughout the season then things will balance themselves out.

Result:

Swindon Town 0 Wimbledon 1
Team: Digby, Summerbee, Horlock, Viveash, Thomson, Murray, Phillips M, Middleton, White, Close, Morah. Subs: Hamon, O'Sullivan.



Lee Middleton - Dominating midfield.

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION DIVISION ONE FIXTURES

Wed Aug 19	Brighton & Hove Albion	H	2-0
Wed Aug 26	Portsmouth	A	1-3
Wed Sep 02	West Ham United	H	1-1
Fri Sep 11	Norwich City	A	3-5
Mon Sep 21	Millwall	A	0-1
Wed Sep 30	Wimbledon	H	0-1
Wed Oct 07	Fulham	A	
Wed Oct 14	Millwall	H	
Tue Oct 20	West Ham United	A	
Wed Oct 28	Tottenham Hotspur	H	
Mon Nov 02	Crystal Palace	A	
Mon Nov 09	Watford	H	
Wed Nov 11	Arsenal	H	
Tue Nov 17	Queens Park Rangers	A	
Mon Nov 23	Chippenham T. (WPS)	H	
Wed Nov 25	Ipswich Town	A	
Wed Dec 02	Chelsea	H	
Tue Dec 08	Watford	A	
Tue Dec 16	Norwich City	H	
Mon Dec 21	Luton Town	A	
Wed Jan 06	Charlton Athletic	A	
Wed Jan 13	Charlton Athletic	H	
Wed Jan 20	Oxford United	A	
Wed Jan 27	Southampton	H	
Tue Feb 02	Wimbledon	A	
Wed Feb 10	Portsmouth	H	
Wed Feb 24	Ipswich Town	H	
Mon Mar 01	Luton Town	H	
Wed Mar 03	Bristol City	A	
Mon Mar 08	Bristol City	H	
Mon Mar 15	Fulham	H	
Wed Mar 17	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	
Wed Mar 24	Queens Park Rangers	H	
Sat Mar 27	Southampton	A	
Wed Apr 07	Oxford United	H	
Tue Apr 13	Chelsea	A	
Sat Apr 24	Arsenal	A	
Wed Apr 28	Tottenham Hotspur	A	
Wed May 05	Crystal Palace	H	

All home matches will be played at The County Ground, Swindon with a 7.30pm kick-off until further notice.

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION DIVISION ONE

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AS AT 26TH SEPTEMBER 1992

MILLWALL	6	4	1	1	12	7	13
WATFORD	6	3	3	0	11	5	12
Q.P.R.	6	3	3	0	11	6	12
CRYSTAL P.	6	3	2	1	15	8	11
OXFORD UTD	6	3	2	1	8	10	11
CHELSEA	5	3	1	1	17	9	10
ARSENAL	6	3	1	2	13	5	10
WIMBLEDON	5	2	2	1	11	9	8
SOUTHAMPTON	6	2	2	2	11	11	8
PORTSMOUTH	7	2	2	3	9	14	8
WEST HAM UTD	6	2	1	3	10	9	7
IPSWICH TOWN	5	2	1	2	5	7	7
NORWICH CITY	7	2	1	4	12	16	7
BRIGHTON	6	2	1	3	6	13	7
TOTTENHAM H.	5	2	0	3	7	9	6
FULHAM	5	1	2	2	4	6	5
SWINDON TOWN	5	1	1	3	7	10	4
CHARLTON A.	5	1	1	3	5	6	4
LUTON TOWN	5	1	1	3	5	11	4
BRISTOL CITY	6	0	2	4	5	13	2

FOCUS on youth

Our second Allied Counties League game of the season vs Reading played at our new home ground at Swindon Supermarine FC last week gave us a well deserved 3-1 victory over our local rivals.

We started the game well creating some good openings especially down the flanks with both full backs preparing to break forward. An early goal from one of the right wing attacks came when an Andy Kearns shot was deflected by a Reading defender into his own net. Having a large part of possession we were putting some good moves together but unfortunately failed to add to that goal, although we had several chances.

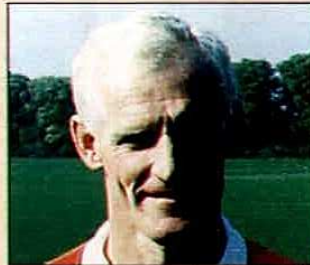
Against the run of play Reading broke away to score an equaliser. As in many games we then started to lose confidence and until the interval looked a far different team than in the first half hour.

To the players' credit after the break we came out as we started the first half and two goals in the first five minute period put us in a strong position.

The second goal came from a left wing move involving Andy Kearns and Mark Walters with Scott Medcroft coming through from midfield to score.

Goal number three came from a fine cross from Jamie Pitman to the far post where Mark Walters headed home.

We continued to attack for most of the half and only wasted



JOHN TROLLOPE

chances stopped us gaining a far more decisive win.

This was a much improved performance. The players' application and thinking was much better, working for each other and deservedly gaining the rewards for their hard work. We must take confidence from this performance and try to build on all the good things done.

Allied Counties League

Result:

Swindon Town 3 Reading 1

Scorers: Medcroft, Walters, own goal.

Team: Cook, Pitman, Kearns, Reeves, Eley, James, Worrall, Hammond P, Walters, Phillips J, Medcroft.

Subs: Fraser, Jordan M.



Jamie Pitman
Fine cross

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE FIXTURES

Sat Aug 15	Brighton & Hove Albion	H	2-3
Sat Aug 22	Bristol Rovers	A	0-3
Mon Aug 24	Northampton Town (MYC)	H	1-0
Sat Aug 29	Reading	H	4-1
Sat Sep 05	Colchester United	A	2-1
Sat Sep 12	Tottenham Hotspur	H	1-4
Tue Sep 15	Tottenham H. (SJFC 1)	A	0-4
Sat Sep 19	AFC Bournemouth (LC1)	A	2-2
Sat Sep 26	AFC Bournemouth (LC1R)	H	0-3
Sat Oct 03	Brentford	H	
Mon Oct 05	Oxford United (MYC)	A	
Sat Oct 10	Oxford United	A	
Sat Oct 17	Southampton	H	
Sat Oct 31	Crystal Palace	A	
Sat Nov 07	Luton Town	H	
Sat Nov 14	Wimbledon	A	
Sat Nov 21	Bristol City	A	
Sat Dec 05	Bristol City	H	
Sat Dec 12	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	
Sat Dec 19	Bristol Rovers	H	
Sat Jan 02	Reading	A	
Sat Jan 09	Colchester United	H	
Sat Jan 16	Tottenham Hotspur	A	
Sat Jan 23	AFC Bournemouth	H	
Sat Jan 30	Brentford	A	
Sat 06 Feb	Oxford United	H	
Sat Feb 13	Southampton	A	
Sat Feb 20	Crystal Palace	H	
Sat Feb 27	Luton Town	A	
Sat Mar 06	Wimbledon	H	
TBA	AFC Bournemouth	A	

All home South East Counties League games are played at The Allied Dunbar Training Centre, King Edward Place, Wanborough. Games kick off at 11.00 am.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

26TH SEPTEMBER 1992

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Bristol City	6	5	0	1	18	5	10
Brentford	6	4	2	0	12	6	10
Wimbledon	6	4	1	1	18	6	9
Bournemouth	5	3	2	0	8	4	8
Luton Town	6	3	0	3	15	7	6
Southampton	6	2	2	2	7	10	6
Brighton	5	2	1	2	11	12	5
Swindon Town	5	2	0	3	9	12	4
Colchester Utd	5	2	0	3	5	8	4
Tottenham	6	2	0	4	11	17	4
Bristol Rovers	5	2	0	3	9	19	4
Crystal Palace	4	1	0	3	9	10	2
Oxford Utd	5	0	1	4	8	14	1
Reading	4	0	1	3	5	15	1

ALLIED COUNTIES YOUTH LEAGUE FIXTURES

Mon Sep 21	Newbury Town	A	1-0
Mon Sep 28	Reading	H	3-1
Mon Oct 12	Kintbury Rangers	H	
Wed Oct 21	Basingstoke Town	A	

All home Allied Counties Youth League fixtures are played at Swindon Supermarine F.C., South Marston. Games kick off at 7.30 pm.



Robins Facts

BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 1992/93

AS AT 5TH OCTOBER 1992.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Newcastle U.	9	5	0	0	15	3	4	0	0	7	3	27
Charlton	10	3	3	0	10	3	3	1	0	4	0	22
Wolves	10	2	3	0	11	7	3	2	0	7	0	20
Swindon T.	10	4	2	0	13	6	1	1	2	7	9	18
Tranmere R.	9	4	2	0	11	3	1	1	1	5	5	16
Leicester C.	10	4	2	0	8	4	1	1	2	5	7	18
West Ham	9	1	1	1	3	3	4	1	1	10	4	17
Birmingham	9	3	0	1	5	5	1	3	1	4	5	15
Millwall	9	3	1	0	11	2	0	3	2	2	6	13
Peterboro'	9	1	1	3	3	7	3	0	1	9	6	11
Portsmouth	9	2	0	1	5	1	1	2	3	9	12	11
Watford	10	2	1	2	6	8	1	1	3	8	11	11
Bristol City	9	1	2	2	6	10	2	0	2	7	11	11
Sunderland	9	2	1	1	4	3	1	1	3	3	5	11
Oxford Utd	9	2	2	2	6	4	0	2	1	4	6	10
Derby C.	9	1	0	2	6	6	1	3	2	7	7	9
Grimsby T.	8	1	2	0	5	4	1	1	3	6	7	9
Notts C.	9	0	2	2	3	6	2	1	2	10	15	9
Brentford	9	2	1	3	9	9	0	1	2	1	3	8
Southend U.	9	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	4	5	10	8
Cambridge C.	10	2	0	3	4	8	0	2	3	2	10	8
Luton T.	9	0	2	2	5	11	1	2	2	3	5	7
Bristol R.	10	1	1	3	9	13	0	2	3	6	11	6
Barnsley	9	0	2	3	2	5	1	0	3	5	6	5

FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES 92/93

	League		Cup		Total	
	Apps	G	Apps	G	Apps	G
Austin Berkley	0	0	1	1	1	1
Paul Bodin	10	1	3	0	13	1
Colin Calderwood	10	0	3	0	13	0
Shaun Close	0 (3)	0	1	0	1 (3)	0
Fraser Digby	8	0	3	0	11	0
Nicky Hammond	2	0	0	0	2	0
Micky Hazard	9	0	2	0	11	0
Glenn Hoddle	10	1	1	0	11	1
Paul Hunt	0	0	1	0	1	0
David Kerslake	8 (1)	0	2	0	10 (1)	0
Martin Ling	10	1	3	1	13	2
Marcus Phillips	0 (1)	0	0	0	0(1)	0
Craig Maskell	10	9	3	2	13	11
David Mitchell	10	3	2	3	12	6
Eddie Murray	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0
John Moncur	9	0	2	0	11	0
Wayne O'Sullivan	0	0	1	0	1	0
Nicky Summerbee	5(5)	0	2(1)	1	7(6)	1
Shaun Taylor	10	5	2	1	12	6
Adrian Viveash	0 (2)	0	1(1)	0	1 (3)	0
Steve White	0 (7)	0	0(3)	1	0 (10)	1

SWINDON TOWN FC FIXTURES 1992/93

Date	Opponents	F A	Att.
Sat Aug 15	Sunderland	H 1-0	11,375
Wed Aug 19	Bristol Rovers	A 4-3	6,150
Sat Aug 22	Wolverhampton Wanderers	A 2-2	15,493
Sat Aug 29	Cambridge United	H 4-1	8,292
Tue Sep 01	Oxford United (A.I.C.)	A 3-1	4,066
Sat Sep 05	Millwall	A 1-2	8,091
Sat Sep 12	Bristol Rovers	H 2-2	10,006
Wed Sep 16	Brentford (A.I.C.)	H 1-2	3,189
Sun Sep 20	Oxford United	H 2-2	8,110
Wed Sep 23	Torquay Utd (C.C.C. 2-1)	A 6-0	3,560
Sat Sep 26	Charlton Athletic	A 0-2	6,742
Tue Sep 29	Grimsby Town	H 1-0	5,759
Sat Oct 03	Watford	H 3-1	7,723
Tue Oct 06	Torquay Utd (C.C.C. 2-2)	H -	-
Sat Oct 10	Portsmouth	A -	-
Sat Oct 17	Notts County	H -	-
Sat Oct 24	West Ham United	A -	-
Tue Oct 27	C.C.C. 3	-	-
Sat Oct 31	Barnsley	H -	-
Tue Nov 03	Brentford	H -	-
Sun Nov 08	Newcastle United	A -	-
Sat Nov 14	Southend United	H -	-
Sat Nov 21	Bristol City	A -	-
Sun Nov 29	Peterborough United	A -	-
Tue Dec 01	C.C.C. 4	-	-
Sat Dec 05	Derby County	H -	-
Sat Dec 12	Tranmere Rovers	H -	-
Sun Dec 20	Leicester City	A -	-
Sat Dec 26	Luton Town	A -	-
Tue Dec 29	Birmingham City	H -	-
Sat Jan 02	FAC 3	-	-
Tue Jan 05	C.C.C. 5	-	-
Sat Jan 09	Oxford United	A -	-
Sat Jan 16	Charlton Athletic	H -	-
Sat Jan 23	FAC 4	-	-
Tue Jan 26	Grimsby Town	A -	-
Sat Jan 30	Wolverhampton Wanderers	H -	-
Sat Feb 06	Sunderland	A -	-
Sat Feb 13	Millwall	H -	-
Sat Feb 20	Cambridge United	A -	-
Sat Feb 27	Portsmouth	H -	-
Sat Mar 06	Watford	A -	-
Wed Mar 10	Southend United	A -	-
Sat Mar 13	Newcastle United	H -	-
Sat Mar 20	Derby County	A -	-
Tue Mar 23	Bristol City	H -	-
Sat Mar 27	Brentford	A -	-
Sat Apr 03	Peterborough United	H -	-
Tue Apr 06	Tranmere Rovers	A -	-
Sat Apr 10	Luton Town	H -	-
Mon Apr 12	Birmingham City	A -	-
Sat Apr 17	Leicester City	H -	-
Sat Apr 24	Notts County	A -	-
Sat May 01	West Ham United	H -	-
Sat May 08	Barnsley	A -	-

FAC= F.A.Cup C.C.C.= Coca Cola Cup A.I.C.= Anglo Italian Competition
Figure in bold= Goalscorer Figure in brackets= Number of player substituted.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
DIGBY	SUMMERBEE	BODIN	HODDLE 1	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL	LING	MITCHELL	CLOSE (9)	VIVEASH	
DIGBY	SUMMERBEE	BODIN 1	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR 1	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL	LING	MITCHELL 2	WHITE (11)	KERSLAKE (9)	
DIGBY	SUMMERBEE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR 1	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL 1	KERSLAKE	MITCHELL	WHITE	LING	
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR 1	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL 3	LING	MITCHELL	SUMMERBEE	CLOSE	
DIGBY	O'SULLIVAN	BODIN	HUNT	CALDERWOOD	VIVEASH	SUMMERBEE 1	CLOSE	MASKELL 1	LING	BERKLEY 1	WHITE (9)	MURRAY	
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (11)	SUMMERBEE	
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	SUMMERBEE	MONCUR	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL 1	WHITE	VIVEASH	
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	SUMMERBEE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL	LING	MITCHELL 1	WHITE (9)	VIVEASH	
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR 1	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL	LING 1	MITCHELL	SUMMERBEE	CLOSE	
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR 1	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL 1	LING 1	MITCHELL 2	SUMMERBEE (8)	WHITE (4) 1	
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL	LING	MITCHELL	SUMMERBEE (7)	WHITE (9)	
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL	SUMMERBEE	WHITE	
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR 1	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE	MASKELL 2	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (11)	PHILLIPS M.	

Glenn to manage Barclays League representative side again

Glenn Hoddle's brilliant work as Swindon Town manager has again been recognised by the Football League who have invited him to take charge of the Barclays League representative side to play the Italian Serie B side at Ashton Gate on Wednesday 21 October 1992, kicking off at 7.30pm. Said Hoddle "It's a great honour to be asked to manage the team and I'm delighted to link up again with the League. I learnt a lot from the game in Italy in March and know that the Italians have some very gifted players. But I'm confident that the depth of talent in the First Division will provide for a highly entertaining encounter".

Call up for Bodin

Another Town star to have his talents recognised is Welsh full back Paul Bodin who has been called up for the World Cup Qualifying Group 4 game against Cyprus at the Tsirion Stadium in Limassol tomorrow week. This will be Paul's 17th International appearance for his Country.

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TEAM CHANGES

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- 4 GLENN HODDLE
- 5 COLIN CALDERWOOD
- 6 SHAUN TAYLOR
- 7 MICKY HAZARD
- 8 JOHN MONCUR
- 9 CRAIG MASKELL
- 10 MARTIN LING
- 11 DAVID MITCHELL

SUB: 12 STEVE WHITE 14 NICKY SUMMERBEE

Referee: A.Gunn (South Chailey, Sussex)
Linesman (red/yellow flag): G.R.Hamblin (Birmingham, West Midlands)
Linesman (yellow flag): D.N.Campbell (Fairford, Gloucestershire)
Reserve Official: A.Hunt (Chippenham, Wiltshire)

TORQUAY UNITED

TEAM CHANGES

- 1 MATTHEW LOWE
- 2 CHRIS CURRAN
- 3 SCOTT COLCOMBE
- 4 DANIS SALMAN
- 5 DARREN MOORE
- 6 SEAN JOYCE
- 7 PAUL HALL
- 8 ADRIAN FOSTER
- 9 JUSTIN FASHANU
- 10 CHRIS MYERS
- 11 PAUL TROLLOPE

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