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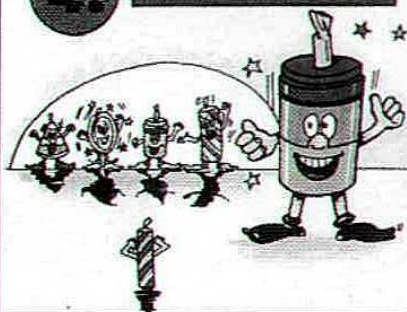


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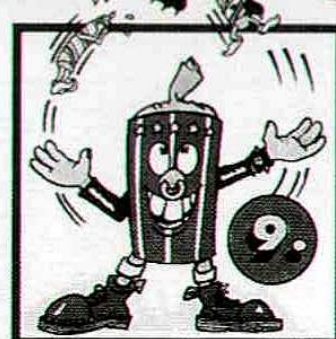
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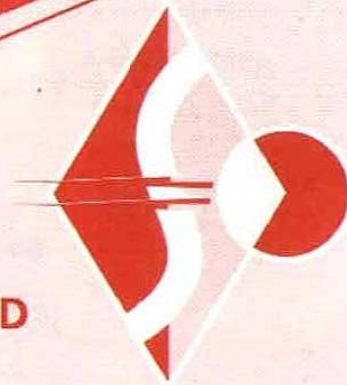


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CLUB CALL



WITH JON POLLARD
SECRETARY

WELCOME

This evening we welcome back to The County Ground the players, officials and supporters of **Brentford Football Club** for tonight's Barclays League fixture.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE

Our next game in the Barclays League is the live TV fixture with Newcastle United at St James' Park this coming Sunday afternoon. The game is all ticket and although we have not been allocated any seats we have a large number of terrace tickets now on sale from the Advance Ticket Office priced £7 each. Our next home League game is on Saturday 14 November 1992 with the visit of Southend United to the County Ground kicking off at 3.00pm. The new Castrol Kid-a-Quid scheme is really proving a success judging by the number of youngsters now packing into the Town End Stand so advance booking of tickets in this area is recommended.

RESERVES

Next week the Reserves have two home games in

the Neville Ovenden Football Combination. On Monday evening they entertain Watford here at The County Ground before the visit of Arsenal on Wednesday 11 November. Both games kick off at 7.30pm.

YOUTH CUP

Tomorrow evening the Youth Team are in action here at The County Ground in the 1st round of the FA Youth Cup when they meet Oxford United. We have already ended Oxford's interest in the Midland Youth Cup and can look forward to another hard derby Cup clash. Kick off is at 7.30pm.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES

This Saturday morning the Youth Team meet Luton Town at Wanborough in the South East Counties League kicking off at 11.00am.

EXTRA READING

On sale now from the Club Shop are two extra items of interesting reading material for Town fans. The latest issue of our Club newspaper The Swindon Review is available

price 50p along with Issue number 1 of Matchday a new magazine devoted entirely to First Division football. Matchday is priced at £2 however there is a 25p voucher inside this month's Swindon Review which can be redeemed in the Club Shop against Issue 1 of Matchday.

TESCO CAR PARK

We have been asked to point out that the car park at the Tesco Superstore near The County Ground is for their customers use only. They have advised that drivers will now have to pay a £10 charge to leave the car park if a store receipt cannot be produced. We would ask supporters to co-operate so as not to inconvenience our neighbours.

DERBY ON TV

Central Television have chosen our home game with Derby County for live transmission. The game will now be played at The County Ground on Sunday 6 December 1992, kicking off at 2.55pm.

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"Congratulations"

Glenn Hoddle

A warm welcome, as ever to my old friend Phil Holder who I hope will not go home as happy as he did on his last visit here.

Obviously we were all disappointed about the Oldham result. It was a terrific game and one we could have won. One had the feeling as it progressed a single goal would win the tie. It could so easily have gone to us.

You can't fault the effort of the skill level of our players. It showed that we can compete at this level. The game was there for the taking.

Now that's out of the way we can concentrate fully on our quest for promotion. In this respect it is essential we maintain our form at home. Thus, tonight's game with Brentford is just as important, if not more

so, than last week's Cup tie with Oldham.

Brentford ended our European hopes in the Anglo Italian Cup competition so we must make sure they don't put a dent in our First Division promotion challenge as well. I think we were a little unfortunate on the night in the AIC - the breaks certainly didn't go our way. Hopefully we can make amends tonight.

Prior to the weekend the only injury worries we had concerned John Moncur - who has strained stomach muscles - and Martin Ling who felt an old



thigh strain in the game with Oldham ... We certainly didn't want any more casualties - the first team squad is hard pressed enough as it is.

We have changed our training routines slightly of late - given the lads a couple of days off during the week to try and recharge the batteries.

So we have trained, had a day off, then trained and a day off, and had a lighter session on a Friday morning as well. I must say I can feel the difference. I feel much sharper and fitter.

You can sometimes over-train without realising it and that can do more harm than good. The preparation of a team is as much mental as it is physical. For if the players are not in the right frame of mind the physical effort will be wasted.

That is why we have introduced massage sessions with Steve Slattery. He has done an excellent job helping the lads unwind and relax. It is like a tonic.

Thanks to all who sent me cards and presents on my birthday. Your kindness was overwhelming and very, very much appreciated.



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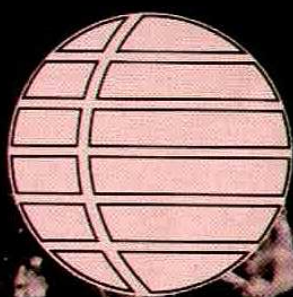
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NEWS ON one

Bristol Rovers have revealed plans for a new 35,000 seat stadium to be built close to the new Severn Bridge crossing. Rovers, who have rented non-League Bath City's Twerton Park ground for the past six years have linked up with Bristol City council who will provide the land and development company Sportsworld. A 12,000 seat indoor arena and conference centre are also planned. Meanwhile Rovers' England U21 striker Marcus Stewart faces a five week lay-off with a groin injury. The eight goal leading scorer is due to have a pelvic operation this week.

Sunderland manager Malcolm Crosby looks set to clinch the £350,000 signing off Birmingham City defender John Frain. Frain travelled to Roker Park last week for talks with Crosby who said that he was very optimistic in signing Frain. "He's a very good defender, but also likes to get forward and join the attack. That's something that we have lacked a bit this season." The fee from the deal would enable Birmingham boss Terry Cooper to make a firm bid for striker David Speedie when he completes his

month's loan from Southampton.

This evening's visitors to the County Ground, Brentford have agreed a fee of around £100,000 with Wolverhampton Wanderers for central defender Shane Westley who joined Wolves from Southend United in the summer of 1989. Westley returned to first team action at Molineux at the start of this season after two years out through injury but lost his place with the signing of Paul Blades from Norwich City last month.

Portsmouth are counting themselves lucky not to be losing the services of their England U21 international defender Andy Awford for a few games under suspension after Bristol referee Roger Milford failed to dismiss Awford for what both sides thought was a professional foul in the Coca-Cola Cup tie with Ipswich Town at Fratton Park. Even Awford was convinced that he was destined for an early bath when he ended Ipswich striker Chris Kiwomya's dash for goal with a trip. However, Mr Milford defended his leniency by saying "The key to any so-called professional foul is intent, and in my opinion there was none. In attempting to play the ball, Awford inadvertently

caught the Ipswich player's heel and I do not believe he meant it. In those circumstances you must either produce a red card or do nothing about it. Nobody complained that Awford should have gone which leads me to think that I was right."

Cambridge United Chairman Reg Smart has apologised to other Club's over claims of excessive gamesmanship carried out by ex-manager John Beck and assistant Gary Peters. "My feelings after reading in the newspapers what is claimed to have gone on is one of utter disbelief" said Mr Smart. Former Cambridge coach Graham Scarff, dismissed by Beck at the end of last season was quoted as saying "The treatment given to visitors was terrible. It was psychological warfare."



Andy Awford -
No early bath!

Brentford

Brentford realised a long held ambition when they won the Third Division Championship last May, for only the second time in their history. It awarded them First Division status for the first time in 45 years.

It was a nail-biting finish too with the Championship only clinched on the final day of the season at Peterborough. Just reward though, for the Bees had fluttered on top of the pack for three months of the long campaign.

Certainly this success highlighted **Phil Holder's** managerial career, which had commenced the year before, when he led Brentford to sixth place, which at the time was their highest finish for 26 years. It had earned them a tilt at the play-offs but they lost out eventually to Tranmere Rovers.

Mr Holder has been ably supported by assistant manager Wilf Rostron, who combined his duties with that of playing. Wilf clocked-up over 600 appearances with Arsenal, Sunderland, Watford, Sheffield United, Sheffield Wednesday and Brentford and last season he made 18 appearances in the Championship winning team.

The real strength of Brentford's success was their goal scoring power. Dean Holdsworth set the

club's post-war record with 38 goals - 24 of them in the League; while **Gary Blissett** contributed 18.

In 16 Division Three fixtures they plundered 81 goals and their defensive record wasn't bad either conceding just two in the final seven crucial games - a decisive factor undoubtedly in their final triumph.

After 14 successive years in Division Three promotion has set the Bees buzzing again. Life though in the higher league has not proved that easy. In their opening dozen First Division games Brentford have scored just 13 goals and conceded 16!!

Prior to last Saturday's home date with Bristol City, Brentford were anchored in 21st place with 10 points from a possible 30; and they come here this evening looking for their first away League win of the season.

They don't see this as an impossible task either having arrived last September to inflict our first home defeat in a frantic Anglo Italian Cup tie ... They had a rookie Ashley Bayes in goal that night for the injured **Graham Benstead**, but now have the services of the much experienced **Gerry Peyton**, who was drafted into the side at Leicester where he played his part in a 0-0 draw.

Benstead, tore ligaments when he twisted his knee in the 2-1 win over Southend and the arrival of Gerry Peyton on loan



from Everton has bridged the gap quite nicely.

Since that win over us in the Anglo Italian Cup the Bees have failed to force a winning margin away from home with draws at Leicester and Peterborough and defeats at Spurs - in the Coca-Cola Cup - and Barnsley.

But they eased us out of Italy by scoring a late home win over Oxford United - **Simon Ratcliffe**, breaking the deadlock after 73 minutes with his second goal in two games and **Gary Blissett** making sure of their qualification for the European section two minutes from time.

At Oakwell last time away Phil Holder introduced a 4-3-3 system with **Marcus Gayle** playing a wide role. Other players used of late have included 21 year old **Paul Buckle**, who was only 16 when he made his debut and striker **Lee Luscombe** - the Channel Islander signed from Southampton last season - who scored within four minutes of his Bees debut.

Grant Chalmers, like Luscombe hails from Guernsey, and is so highly rated by a business man over there that he has sponsored his wages until Christmas.



Back row (Left to Right): Marcus Gayle, Danny Tripp, Murray Jones, Keith Millen, Ashley Bayes, Terry Evans, Graham Benstead, Bob Booker, Chris Sparks, Jamie Bates.
Middle Row (Left to Right): Joe Gadston (Youth Team Manager), Micky Bennett, Detzi Kruszyński, Lee Luscombe, Gary Blissett, Simon Ratcliffe, Grant Chalmers, Kevin Godfrey, Robert Peters, Roy Clare (Physiotherapist).
Front Row (Left to Right): Wilt Roston (Assistant Manager), Brian Statham, Billy Manuel, Chris Hughton, Phil Holder (Manager), Neil Smillie, Paul Buckle, Steven Bircham, Graham Pearce (First Team Coach).

Jamie Bates - *Defender.* Versatile performer who has filled every defensive position. A product of the youth team he made his debut at Carlisle in September 1986. Has been operating in the centre of defence recently. Born: London 24-2-68.

Micky Bennett - *Winger.* Right-sided player who can operate as a front runner or in midfield. Served his apprenticeship with Charlton, making his League debut v West Ham (7-3-87), his pace and control persuading Wimbledon to invest £250,000 for his services. Signed this summer with Kruszyński for a combined £120,000. Born: London 27-7-69.

Graham Benstead - *Goalkeeper.* Signed from

Sheffield United for £70,000 in the summer of 1990. An apprentice with QPR he made his debut (8-1-83), in an FA Cup third round tie at West Brom. An England Youth cap he moved to Norwich City in '84 and made 20 First Division appearances for them. Played 20 games for Colchester on loan before signing for the Blades in July 1988 after a loan spell. Born: Aldershot 20-8-63.

Gary Blissett - *Striker.* Now in his sixth full season with Brentford he scored the winner at Peterborough to clinch the Third Division Championship last season. Started his career with Altrincham and was introduced to League football by Crewe, at Rochdale, in August 1983. Scored 38 goals in 122 League appearances before

moving to Griffin Park in March 1987. Born: Manchester 29-6-64.

Marcus Gayle - *Striker.* Tall rangy centre-forward who graduated through the YTS. Won England honours at under-19 level and established himself in the Bees front-line last season scoring six goals in 38 League appearances. Born: Hammersmith 27-9-70.

Kevin Godfrey - *Midfield.* Most experienced with over 400 League games behind him in a career that started with Leyton Orient in 1976 - made his League bow v Oldham in January '78 - and continued with Plymouth. This is his fifth season with the Bees - scored three goals in 31 League games last season. Born: Kennington 24-2-60.

B R E N T F O R D

Chris Hughton - *Fullback*. Came to prominence with Spurs after joining them from amateur football in 1977. Opened his account v Man City (1-9-79) and went on to make over 300 appearances: collecting 52 caps for Eire, and FA and UEFA Cup winners' medals. Joined West Ham in 1991 and arrived at Brentford in March 1992. Born: West Ham 11-12-58.

Billy Manuel - *Defender/Midfield*. Another who learned his trade at White Hart Lane, first as a schoolboy, in 1983, then on the YTS. Was given his head by Gillingham and cost the Bees £60,000 in the summer of '91. Born: Hackney 28-6-69.

Keith Millen - *Defender*. Outstanding captain with over 300 games behind him. The longest serving player on the books he joined the club from school making his League debut in March 1985 at York City. The players Player of the Year last season. Born: Croydon 26-9-66.

Simon Ratcliffe - *Midfield*. Spent three years with Manchester United but made his League debut for Norwich against Newcastle in September 1987. Became Brentford's first six-figure signing, in January 1989, though he had made only nine League appearances for the Canaries. Born: Manchester 8-2-67.

Wilf Rostron - *Midfield*. Has now clocked up over 600 games since making his debut for Arsenal v Newcastle in March 1975. After four years at Highbury (17 appearances) he spent three with Sunderland (76) before enjoying a long stint with Watford (317). Sheffield Wednesday then United were the next two stops before he was appointed Player-Assistant Manager by Phil Holder in January 1991. Born: Sunderland 29-9-56.

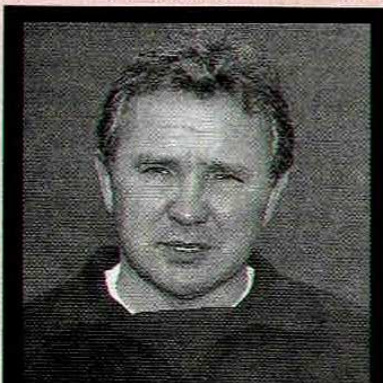
Neil Smillie - *Forward*. Came into top class football with Crystal Palace v Oxford in October 1976 and has enjoyed spells with Brighton, Watford, Reading and in the USA. Made three appearances in Division Four for Brentford on loan in 1976-77. Born: Barnsley 19-7-58.

Brian Statham - *Fullback*. Fast attacking defender who was born in Zimbabwe and later lived in Saudi Arabia before his family settled in Brentwood 20 years ago. Joined Spurs in '85 and made his First Division bow at Southampton in December '87. Capped by England at Under-21 level he cost Brentford £70,000. Born: Zimbabwe 21-5-69.

Gerry Peyton - *Goalkeeper*. Currently on loan from Everton the former Atherstone Town 'keeper made his League debut for Burnley (6-12-75), and kept a clean sheet in a 0-0 draw with Liverpool. Spent 10-years with Fulham and played 10 games for Southend on loan ('83-84) before signing for Bournemouth in 1986. Won the first of his 26 caps for Eire in 1977. Born: Birmingham 20-5-56.

BEES LEAGUE FORM GUIDE			
Opponents	H	A	Scorers
Wolves	0	2	
Bristol Rovers	1	2	Blissett
Southend Utd	2	1	Blissett, Millen
Portsmouth	4	1	Bennett, Smillie, Gayle, Blissett
Cambridge Utd	0	1	
Luton	1	2	Blissett
Leicester City	0	0	
Millwall	1	1	Ratcliffe
Newcastle Utd	1	2	Blissett
Peterborough Utd	0	0	
Watford	1	1	o/g
Barnsley	2	3	Blissett (2)
FOOTBALL LEAGUE (from 1954)			
	Home		Away
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1954-55	1	1	2 4
1955-56	0	1	2 1
1956-57	1	3	1 4
1957-58	4	1	0 0
1958-59	1	1	2 2
1959-60	0	0	1 2
1960-61	1	1	1 2
1961-62	5	2	0 1
1962-63	2	1	1 0
1963-64	2	0	2 1
1964-65	4	0	3 1
1965-66	0	0	1 1
1966-67	0	3	2 4
1967-68	2	0	1 1
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Home	27	15	4 5 47 28
Away	27	6	7 14 33 21

THE MAN IN CHARGE



Phil Holder's early thoughts on football were shaped at White Hart Lane where he developed through the Youth ranks. Made his League debut at Anfield, in a 0-0 draw when he came on as a substitute for Jimmy Pearce on November 18th, 1971, and made his first full appearance at Nottingham Forest the following month.

Those were the days of Ralph Coates, Steve Perryman and Martin Peters, and Phil found it hard to make a first team shirt his own. He finished that first season with just six appearances - two as a sub - and didn't get a single game the following season.

In February 1975 Phil moved to Crystal Palace, slotting into their midfield against Aldershot (15-2-75). It was the first of 94 League appearances he had to make for the Selhurst Park Club before moving on to Bournemouth and adding another 58 games in the Third Division to his tally.

Phil played his last game in the final match of 1979-80 season in a 1-0 win at Darlington. He spent another year at Dean Court but injury prevented him from adding to his record.

In all Phil made 155 appearances (10 goals) before turning his hand to coaching.

He joined Brentford in February 1987 as manager Steve Perryman's assistant and when the former Spurs captain quit in 1990 Phil resumed managerial responsibility.

In his first season in charge Phil took the Bees to the play-offs. A year later Griffin Park was celebrating the winning of the Third Division Championship. Phil consequently collecting the Barclays Third Division Manager of the Year award.

Those were the days...

BY PAUL PLOWMAN

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



Having looked at post-war servants of both the Town and the Bees when Brentford came to the County Ground in September, we do what we normally do at this time of the year and put the clocks back - on this occasion to pre-war days.

Back in 1930-31, there were no less than five players on the Londoners books who had either previously assisted Swindon, or were to move to Swindon at a later date. Goalkeeper Teddy Nash, released by the Town in the summer of 1930, had been at the County Ground for half of his 28 years and was an ex-Wiltshire County wicketkeeper. He was the second former cricketer to make the switch, Archie Ling having made the same journey to Brentford back in 1909.

Inside-forward Leslie Roberts left Swindon at the same time as Nash, but stayed at Griffin Park only seven months before moving on to Manchester City. His travels took him to fourteen clubs in sixteen years!

Cecil Blakemore, Ted Ware and Les Wilkins all came to Wiltshire after their stints with Brentford, the latter moving direct in August 1932. Ware did not arrive until 1936, via Clapton Orient. A wing-half, he had been at Griffin Park for five

years having signed from his home-town club of Chatham. Blakemore, a six-foot forward, came to Swindon in July 1933 when another former Bees player, Harry Morris, departed.

Morris had been a bargain £110 signing for the Town in June 1926. He was top scorer for the club in all of his seven seasons here, the first two yielding 92 goals! He joined Brentford in 1921 from Fulham and was leading scorer for the Bees in both 1921/22 and 1922/23, although he was sold to Millwall in February 1923. His last goal for Brentford was against the Town, after which they went five games without scoring.

During Harry's long reign as Swindon's chief goal-getter two other former Brentford men lined-up alongside him, albeit only briefly. Percy Whipp, a Glaswegian, made a handful of appearances for the Bees before coming to the County Ground. He scored in five out of nine games - during which the Town hit nineteen goals - but was soon released, and joined Bath City in July 1931. Herbert Young went to Griffin Park from Aberdare Athletic in February 1925, but did not arrive at Swindon until June 1932.

In the following summer, he and Harry were considered to

be getting too old and they were amongst the many discarded when new manager Ted Vizard took over. Harry Morris returned to the capital to enlist for Clapton Orient. Ironically, Blakemore, of those signed in his place, was no youngster at 35! Harry was soon back in the area, joining Cheltenham Town in 1934.

Orient signed another former Brentford and Swindon player in July 1935, full-back Baden Herod. He spent just eight months at Griffin Park after nearly seven years with Charlton. Further moves took him to Tottenham and Chester, newly-elected to the League in 1931. After two seasons at the County Ground, Herod's move to Clapton Orient, his last, took him almost home to his birthplace at Ilford.



Harry Morris

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Swindon Marketing

with Janet Garrett

Hello and welcome to this evening's game from myself and my colleagues in the Marketing Department.

This is the first game of the season incorporating the *Castrol Kid-a-Quid* sponsorship and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking them for their help and assistance in making this possible.

Our match sponsors tonight are **Charles Russell**, a leading London firm of solicitors with offices in Swindon, Cheltenham and Guildford as well as associated offices and contracts world wide. The partners in Swindon are Richard Clark, Michael Scott and Jeremy Holt who we are delighted to welcome back to The County Ground tonight after their successful match sponsorship last season. Charles Russell has been in Swindon for six years and specialises in company and commercial law, ranging from mergers and acquisitions for listed companies to venture capital financing, management buy-outs and buy-ins, corporate rescues and business start-ups and are very proud to be the solicitors for Swindon Town Football Club.

Our best wishes for a very enjoyable evening to every member of the Charles Russell party.

Christmas Reunion

A Rendezvous Club Christmas Reunion has been arranged for Tuesday 22nd December in the Executive Suite here at The County Ground. Music is provided by the "Ron Barry Sound" and a buffet is included.

All ex-Rendezvous members are welcome to apply for tickets. Please address all enquiries for what promises to be a very entertaining evening to Dave Hollister in the Marketing Department, Swindon 430430.

Swindon Town v Millwall

I would be very interested to hear from any company or individual who would like to know more about sponsoring our game against Millwall on Saturday February 13th 1993.

The package includes:-

- Champagne reception
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- The best seats in The North Stand
- Trivia quiz with champagne prize
- A chance to vote and meet your Man of the Match and other players
- Refreshments at half time
- Post match buffet
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Please contact me for more details on Swindon 430430.

Sporting Club Dinner and Christmas Business Lunch

There are only a few places left for both of these events so if you haven't yet reserved your place please give the Marketing Department a call as soon as possible.

Ground Advertising

There are still three ground board advertising sites available on the Shrivenham Road Stand at very special rates which include provision of board, signwriting and erection. If anyone is interested in having a ground board site in place by the Southend game on Saturday 14th November please give me a call.

The Swindon Town Lucky Mascot

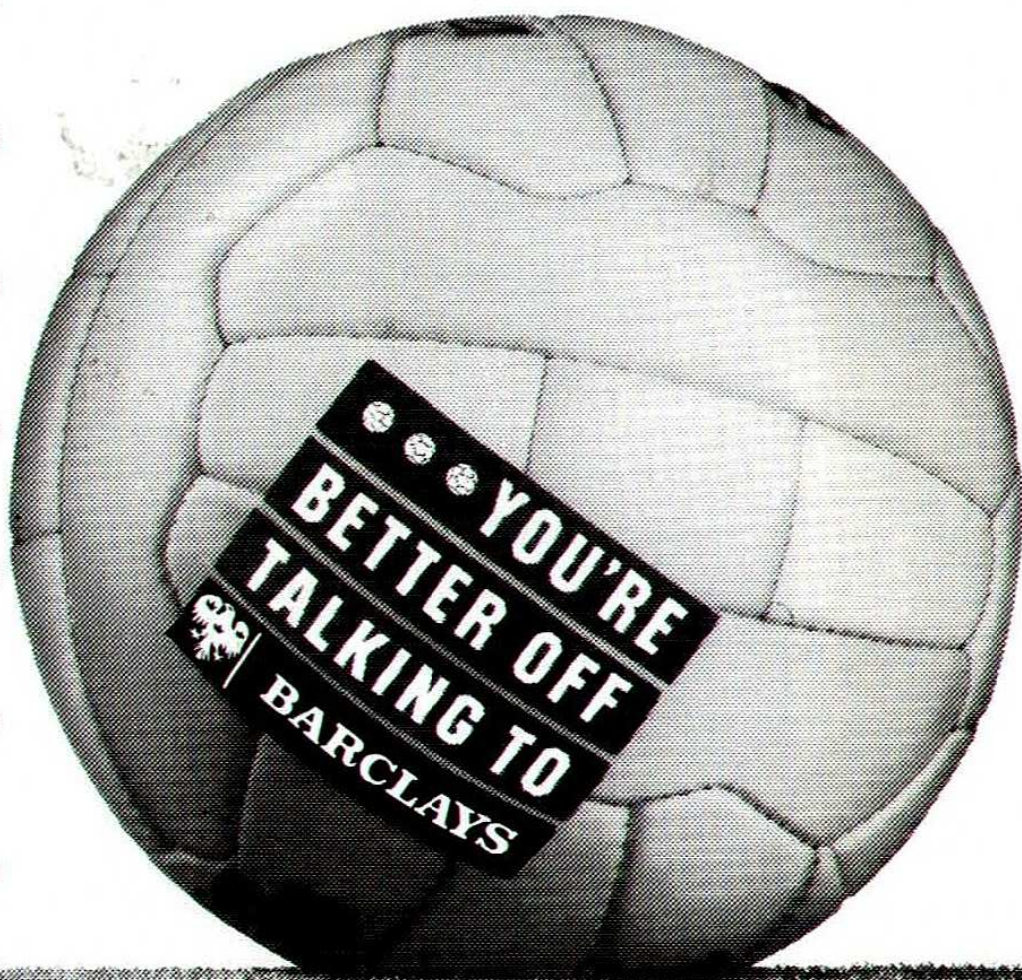


Nicky Gough

Tonight's lucky mascot is Nicky Gough who is going to be 10 years old on the 1st December. Nicky lives in Chippenham and goes to Redlands School where he is well known for his love of football and particularly his admiration of Nicky Hammond who is his favourite player.

Nicky has been able to be a mascot for an early birthday present from his Mum and also his Nan who is the Swindon Town Laundry Lady!

Whatever your
goal...



STAR OF THE WEEK

PLAYER PROFILE

JOHN MONCUR

PLAYER PROFILE

This week's star will hardly be twinkling this evening, for John Moncur finds himself on the sidelines - the victim of strained stomach muscles.

"It's nothing serious," he insists. "No worse than pulling a hamstring really. It is just such a nuisance that it has happened when things were going well for me.

"I'm not too sure when it happened. I obviously over-stretched in one of the games. The thing is I am not going to make the mistake I did last time and come back too quickly. I shouldn't have played at West Ham.

"I feel I have played well throughout the season and have settled in well. It helped of course having Micky Hazard in midfield. He and Glenn are such inspirations.

"At Tottenham I played quite often alongside Micky in the reserves. But even before I signed apprentice forms - when I was there as a schoolboy - I used to admire him. Micky of course was only an apprentice himself at that time but he oozed class.

"It is always good to be around players of quality because the more you watch the more good ideas you pick up yourself. Glenn and Micky always had a tremendous amount of skill but what has struck me most about Micky is

the confidence he shows.

"He's always had it; even as a youngster. Micky was never afraid to put his talent to the test no matter what grade of football he was playing. If you can do that in the old First Division then you are something."

It is one thing watching and admiring skilful technicians at work of course but another thing reproducing them - particularly if you are following a unique genius - as in the case of Glenn Hoddle. But John has no fears.

He says: "I have always considered myself a player of ability as well. I'm probably a better player with the ball than as a defender. My leaning has always been in this direction. That is why I always watched how Glenn and Micky did things rather than Graham Roberts for instance.

"No disrespect to Graham but you are always interested in things you can do."

John joined Spurs from school. What did the club do for him?

"I don't know," he paused ... "I'm not sure. I don't know if it made me a player or held me back. Who knows? I was there for nearly seven years and didn't really get the chance I deserved.

"When I was 20 I had chances to move on. Doncaster, Ipswich and

Plymouth were all after me but I turned them down. I thought I could make it at White Hart Lane."

What made John change his mind and come to Swindon?

"Time was running out," he confesses frankly. "At 25 I had to get away. When I realised Glenn was interested I jumped at it. Who wouldn't. He's got Swindon playing the way we all want to play."

Does John then regret those 'wasted' years at White Hart Lane?

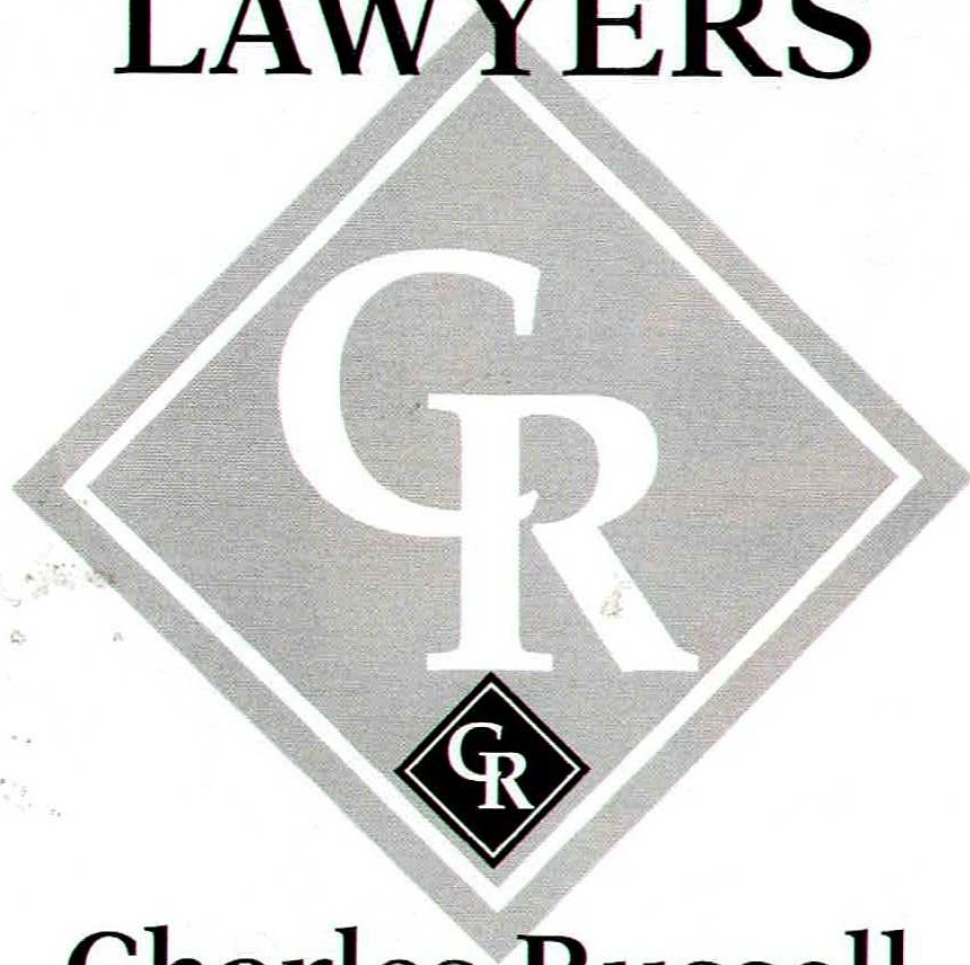
"I do to be honest," is the blunt retort. "I believe I was good enough to play in the first team at Spurs ... It was difficult to break in because from Glenn to Gascoigne there was always top quality midfield players on the books. They thought nothing of paying enormous fees for star names ... Some would say I wasn't good enough. That's their opinion.

"Personally I think I am good enough to play in the Premier League, same as all the players here. All of us believe we could handle it. The higher you go the greater the pressure. But it is an enjoyable pressure and the incentive, as always, is to do well."



John Moncur

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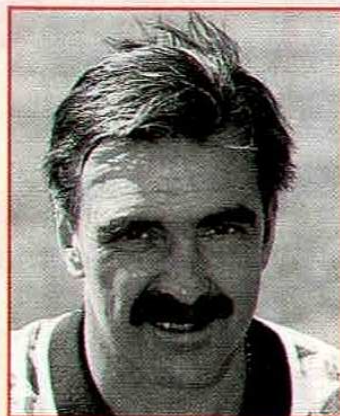
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Gorman's GROOVE

WITH
JOHN GORMAN



This evening we welcome Phil Holder and his boys back to the County Ground with the defeat by Brentford in the Anglo Italian Cup still fresh in our minds. We just did not do ourselves justice on the night which will make us even more determined to exact revenge by taking all three points!

Our important away victory at West Ham United has now given us confidence to go away to meet Newcastle United at St James' Park next Sunday hoping to continue our away form on a winning vein. We went to Upton Park to play our normal game but ended up really battling all over the field and like I have said in my previous notes, the lads have proved they can do just

that. We now eagerly look forward to Sunday's live TV date. How unlucky our old player Duncan Shearer was in losing to Rangers last Sunday in the Skol Cup Final at Hampden Park. Although Dunc's goal was good enough to win any Cup Final, 'Lucky Rangers' as I used to know them, did it again with a very fortunate own goal for the winner in extra time. Duncan, I'm sure, will have all Swindon Town fans' sympathy.

Ross MacLaren is now well on the road to recovery along with young Darren Hall. Dave Bennett has started light training to regain fitness and, as in all cases, it is a matter of time but with Kevin Morris, time is something he in particular is willing to give to work to

get any injured players back to match fitness. Our lads should be household names soon with the number of live TV games we have been scheduled for. Already this month's games at Newcastle United and Peterborough United have been confirmed, along with the home game with Derby County on 6 December and there is now every chance that the game at Leicester City in December will also be on the box.



Dave Bennett
Light Training

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Home & Away

What a cracker coming up next Sunday. It is the clash of the Titans as we travel to St James' Park to meet Kevin Keegan's Magpies beak to beak.

There will be no room for the faint hearts on this trip. Newcastle United were runaway leaders of the First Division and looking to equal the League's winning sequence record against Grimsby Town. But the Mariner's hadn't read the script. Newcastle tripped up after 13 successive wins - 11 this season and two at the end of the 1991-92 campaign - to leave the record intact.

Meanwhile we closed the gap with a brilliant victory at Upton Park over West Ham United. It was one of our best results of the season and proved that we have the ability to improve, what until then had been a dismal away record.

It might come as a surprise to learn that Sunday's fixture will be only our sixth League game at St James' Park. And we have yet to win at this famous arena where we have just two draws to celebrate.

On paper the odds favour the Geordies but this is no ordinary encounter. No less than four TV networks are screening the game live so if you can't make it to the North-West tune in at 3.00pm.

This will be our second live screening this season - an indication of the pulling power of Hoddle's Heroes. For few

sides can match us on quality. David Mitchell scored our lone goal in a 3-1 defeat at Newcastle last March and he was our last scorer in a 3-1 win over Southend United a week later. Ironically, the fixture list has thrown up the same sequence again and David will be once again looking to get amongst the goals.

Town have won eight of the last ten home League games against Southend United - the other two were drawn - with a goal difference of 19-3. But can we continue to dominate the Shrimpers?

Swindon Town vs Southend United is next in this Stadium. So make a date with us on *Saturday 14 November* at three o'clock. The best in First Division action.



David Mitchell -
Hopes to strike it lucky again.



COLIN'S CORNER

WITH
COLIN
CALDERWOOD

Yet another hoped for Cup run came to grief against Oldham Athletic. We felt we did enough to earn at least a draw - the match was very even until they scored.

What frustrated us more than anything I think was our failure, once more, to overcome opposition from a higher level here at home. We are looking to get a good run going. We have been threatening to do so for a couple of seasons yet just haven't found that little extra that is needed.

We can't complain. The draw has been kind to us giving us Aston Villa, Crystal Palace and now Oldham Athletic at home. But all have beaten us and this was what bugged most of the lads in the dressing room after last Tuesday's game.

I suppose this record gives the impression that we would be hard pressed to handle promotion. But I don't think it would work out that way to be honest.

Firstly the atmosphere would be different and secondly if we are going up then we will be a better team.

So to Brentford and an opportunity to set the record straight after their win here in the Anglo-Italian Cup. Having lost to Oldham there is no question of after the Lord Mayor's show. We have been concentrating on this one since Saturday night.

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The new back-pass rule we are assured would brighten up the game and fill the nets with goals!

Sure the utter confusion and uncertainty which spread through defenders in the early weeks did create some goal scoring opportunities. But has FIFA's tonic really worked?

It would seem not going on the latest statistics on the Premier and Football Leagues. These show that, in all but the new Third Division, fewer goals are being scored than before the introduction of the new back-pass rule.

The overall scoring rate in the top two Leagues is down from an average of 2.77 goals a game last season to 2.74 this. Not the greatest difference we agree but a significant one none the less.

Take the current First Division. The records show the average this season is 2.69 goals a game compared to 2.86 when we were labelled the Second Division.

While in the Premier League the stats show a similar trend with a 2.72 as against 2.84 last season in the old First Division.

Mind you Swindon fans haven't missed out. Over the first 17 games of this season Town have hammered in 39 goals - with Craig Maskell and David Mitchell spearheading the strike rate. This equals exactly our haul over the first 17 fixtures of last season.

Ironically, the goals against tally is also identical. Last season we conceded 24 goals over this sequence. This year it is also 24.

So Glenn Hoddle's heroes have proved remarkably consistent and above average when it comes to scoring goals. It would certainly seem that Craig Maskell has adequately replaced Duncan Shearer.

But what about FIFA's lame attempt to put more sparkle into the game? I mean, there was a suggestion, and it was a serious one at that, to make the goals bigger!

What a pantomime that would have created ... All this tinkering with the laws on back passes and goalkeepers'

steps etc. is nothing after this sheer cosmetic treatment. It doesn't address the real problems.

If the game's administrators truly believe that more goals is the answer to lift the game then the solution is plain and simple. Do away with offside.

What is the offside rule designed to do other than stop goals being scored. It is a rule totally dedicated to the union of defenders. It is the killjoy of many a great move; the spark of countless heated disagreements on the field and off it and is probably the hardest law to get right.

So why endure it? Why let it stifle the adventurous attacking nature of the game?

They did try it once without any offside. Many years ago in the Watney Cup. But it was a pre-season tournament and the participants were reluctant to change their game.

The 20 yard line is probably a more popular alternative but that would be just transferring the current problems to a smaller defined area. If FIFA are honestly worried about falling goal averages they could do worse than abolish with the back-pass law.



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INSIGHT

The feelings inside young Mark O'Driscoll, as he sat on the bench for our Football Combination fixture with Tottenham Hotspur last Wednesday, were mixed.

Firstly he was thrilled by Town's 2-1 victory. But his heart was slightly saddened at not getting on.

It means so much to Mark and four other second year YTS lads. Because now is when they have to impress the management if they want to be offered a professional contract at the end of the season.

Mark, like many of our youngsters is a local lad who was spotted by John Trollope and invited here as a schoolboy. He has worked his way up through the ranks and now has to prove himself at reserve team level.

This then is his make or break season. "Hopefully 'make it'" chips in Mark, who made his Reserve team debut, as a sub, against Millwall last year.

"You have to establish yourself in the Reserves to stand any chance," claims the youngster raised just a few

blocks down the road from the County Ground.

The fans might not turn out to see the stiff but for the kids on trial there is nothing more stimulating. Says Mark: "It is so exciting being on the same field as famous players like Mick McCarthy and Nayim. You can learn a lot from them."

Mark's elder brother, Paul, was an apprentice with Southampton and spent a year with Swindon before drifting into the Hellenic League. Paul's failure to make the grade is a potent reminder to Mark that it is not easy to become a professional in the top League in the country.

Does the thought of failure weigh heavy?

"Yes," says Mark. "As with most lads in this position I haven't really thought about what I would do if I wasn't offered a contract. When you have been serious about making football your career for many years you don't think of the negative side."

"It is a big gamble but I go to Filton College in Bristol one day a week to study Leisure and Recreation for a City and Guilds award. It is quite enjoyable. But no way would a job in a sports centre com-

with Colin Benson

pensate for not making it as a footballer."

These lads are literally playing for their future and with the stakes so high one can excuse the trace of nervousness that creeps into their game.

In the meantime it is on with the daily routine that starts at 9.00 am cleaning and polishing the senior players boots and checking equipment. By 10.30am the lads are at the training ground to go through their routines with the youth squad. Then it is time to clean up after the pros and return to the County Ground to tidy up here.

"Nobody likes sweeping out the dressing rooms and cleaning," says Mark, "but it is all worthwhile once you are out on the pitch. We are lucky to be in this position there are hundreds of boys who never get this far. But once you are here you will do anything you can to make it continue."

The word is that Mark is in with a good chance and he will certainly be one for big Jack Charlton to keep tabs on. For with grandparents from Cork we could have another budding Eire International in the making.

All that is a long way off just now. At the moment Mark and his colleagues have just one ambition. To impress Glenn and his management team enough to win them professional contracts next April.



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Mark O'Driscoll

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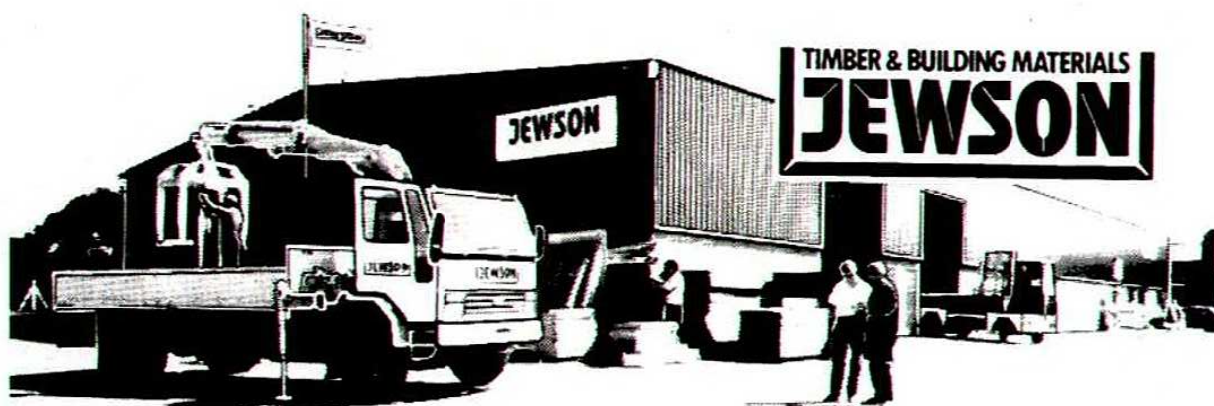


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On Saturday 21st November we travel the short distance for the match at Bristol City. The coaches will be leaving at 12.45pm and the price is £5.00. The following weekend the Town play on a Sunday once again for the TV, this time at Peterborough United. Travel Club coaches will be leaving The County Ground at 10.30am and the price is £7.00.

Bookings for any of these trips can be made before and after home matches as well as on Tuesday,

Wednesday and Thursday evenings. For those who live outside of Swindon, The Travel Club will take bookings over the telephone on 611499.

Introducing Our Supporters Liaison Group

Dave Smith lives in Rodbourne, Swindon and is a clerical officer with British Telecom. He has been supporting the Town since 1968/69. On a matchday he can be found stewarding in the North Stand, where he works as a supervisor. There are approximately 20 stewards in this area of the ground. Their aim is to ensure the safety and enjoyment of spectators, in liaison with the chief steward, the emergency services and the Football Club. Dave has been a steward for about eight years.

Dave sees the Supporters Club as having two main functions. Firstly, to support

the parent Club in all possible ways and secondly, but just as importantly, to benefit all supporters by resolving problems, arranging social events, etc.

Favourite Current Player: Colin Calderwood. Mr Reliable and Dependable and our most consistent player since he signed from Mansfield.

Favourite Past Player: Ray McHale.

Most Memorable Game: Away at Halifax, when we were aiming for record points in the Fourth Division championship season. Charlie Henry scored a hat-trick.

Biggest Disappointment: Losing 4-3 on aggregate to Wolves in the League Cup semi-final 1979/80.



*Dave Smith -
Long time supporter of Town.*

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Rowland's RESERVES

Although it wasn't our best performance of the season, last week's win over Tottenham Hotspur here at The County Ground was deserved and very welcome at that!

Our first goal of the game in particular was special with Austin Berkley scoring on his return after injury. He picked the ball up on the left of the box, beat two men (and the Spurs offside trap) and drove the ball into the far corner.

Spurs then hit back and Fraser Digby had to make a great save with his feet to deny striker John Hendry. It was just the break we needed for a couple of minutes later a long through ball from Olisa Morah found Shaun Close free and he ran on to slip the ball past Kevin Dearden.

Soon after we had some great chances to increase our lead, Steve White going close and Adrian Viveash's header crashing against the bar.

It was quite a shock when a moment of madness let Spurs pull a goal back just on the stroke of half time. We had a couple of attempts at clearing the ball but only managed to set up Scott Houghton to score past Digby.

There were no more goals in the game and we set our stall out to be more disciplined at the back which we managed



ANDY ROWLAND

to do with more good handling from Fraser. At the other end Andy Thomson showed his power with some headers and Olisa Morah went close against his old team mates with a volley. As I said we have played better this season and lost but this was a good boost for all the lads involved.

Neville Ovenden Football Combination

Score:

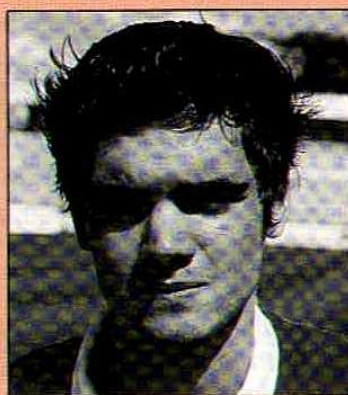
Swindon Town 2

Tottenham Hotspur 1

Scorers: Austin Berkley, Shaun Close

Team: Digby, Murray, O'Sullivan, Middleton, Thomson, Viveash, Berkley, Phillips M, White, Close, Morah.

Subs: Hamon, O'Driscoll.



*Austin Berkley -
Scored on his return*

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	0-3
Wed Oct 14	Millwall	H	1-3
Wed Oct 28	Tottenham Hotspur	H	2-1
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	Chippenhams 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	
T.B.A.	West Ham United	A	

All home matches will be played at
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7.30pm kick-off until further notice.

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION DIVISION ONE

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AS AT 29TH OCTOBER 1992

MILLWALL	10	7	2	1	19	10	23
CHELSEA	9	6	2	1	25	12	20
WIMBLEDON	9	5	3	1	18	9	18
ARSENAL	10	5	2	3	21	9	17
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WATFORD	10	3	5	2	16	21	14
BRIGHTON	10	3	3	4	10	19	12
WEST HAM	9	3	2	4	14	12	11
IPSWICH TOWN	10	3	2	5	12	16	11
NORWICH CITY	9	2	3	4	14	18	9
FULHAM	9	2	3	4	8	13	9
CHARLTON A.	9	2	2	5	7	12	8
PORTSMOUTH	9	2	2	5	12	21	8
BRISTOL CITY	10	1	4	5	11	18	7
SWINDON TOWN	9	2	1	6	10	18	7
LUTON TOWN	7	1	2	4	8	15	5

FOCUS on youth

Our fourth meeting with Oxford United in as many weeks, this time in the South East Counties League at Wanborough, again saw us have the larger part of the play.

Working hard when not in possession, we restricted Oxford to very few openings or shots at goal. Unfortunately for all our possession we created very few clear cut chances.

Having played each other four times in such a short space of time the players know each other's game with one cancelling out the other.

The pleasing part of the last three encounters has been the commitment shown by the players with a better spirit working harder for each other.

The back three and front two have picked their game up with Steve Luwero back on form.

The season so far has been inconsistent both in performance and results. Having put a decent performance together we could not maintain this standard, slipping back into that inconsistency. This up and down approach both physically and mentally has been our biggest weakness and we have tried several ways to overcome these faults.

The three latest performances have hopefully seen us turn the corner. With improved effort and better enthusiasm, everybody is pulling together. If we can maintain this effort we should see some improved performances and get some rewards for this hard work. However we must look to improve when in possession with more confidence and composure to enable us to put more passing movements together, creating better openings and hopefully more goals.



JOHN TROLLOPE

We must look to maintain this standard and even improve on it.

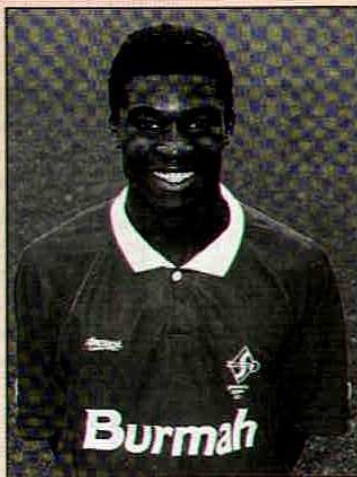
Tomorrow evening, yet again we meet Oxford United. This time it is in the 1st round of the FA Youth Cup. We overcame Oxford in the Midland Youth Cup at the same stage after a replay and can certainly expect another tough battle.

Another Cup tie for the lads is in the first round of the Allied Counties League Cup when we travel to Kintbury Rangers. We defeated Kintbury here in the League a few weeks back 11-0 but are well aware that anything can happen in the Cup.

Result:

South East Counties League
Swindon Town 0 Oxford United 0

Team: Hamblin, Pitman, Kearns, James, Reeves, Jordan D, French, Worrall, Luwero, Lane, Phillips J.
Subs: O'Driscoll, Elsey.



Steve Luwero -
Back in form.

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 0-3
Mon Oct 05	Oxford United (MYC)	A 2-2
Sat Oct 10	Oxford United	A 1-4
Sat Oct 17	Southampton	H 1-1
Mon Oct 19	Oxford United (MYC-R)	H 3-0
Sat Oct 24	Oxford United	H 0-0
Sat Oct 31	Crystal Palace	H
Wed Nov 04	Oxford United (FAYC1)	H
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 Feb 13	Southampton	A
Sat Feb 20	Crystal Palace	A
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 OCTOBER 1992

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Wimbledon	9	7	1	1	23	6	15
Bristol City	9	7	1	1	23	8	15
Brentford	9	5	3	1	18	10	12
Bournemouth	8	4	4	0	13	8	12
Southampton	9	3	3	3	9	12	9
Brighton	8	3	2	3	19	19	8
Crystal Palace	8	3	1	4	14	12	7
Bristol Rovers	8	3	1	4	15	24	7
Luton Town	9	3	0	6	16	13	6
Oxford Utd	9	2	2	5	15	18	6
Colchester Utd	8	3	0	5	10	16	6
Tottenham	9	3	0	6	16	23	6
Swindon Town	9	2	2	5	12	21	6
Reading	8	1	2	5	10	23	3

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 11-0
Wed Nov 11	Thatcham Town	A
Mon Nov 16	Newbury Town	H
Wed Nov 25	Reading	*A
Mon Nov 30	LC 2	
Mon Dec 07	Swindon Supermarine	H
Tues Dec 15	Kintbury Rangers	A
TBA	Kintbury Rangers (LC1)	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 2 NOVEMBER 1992.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Newcastle U.	13	6	0	1	16	4	5	0	1	10	6	33
Swindon T.	14	6	2	0	19	7	2	1	3	9	12	27
Leicester C.	14	5	2	1	10	7	2	1	3	8	9	24
West Ham	13	2	1	2	9	4	5	1	2	15	6	23
Charlton	14	3	4	1	10	5	3	1	2	8	6	23
Tranmere R.	13	5	3	0	16	4	1	1	3	7	9	22
Wolves*	14	2	4	1	12	10	3	3	1	8	3	22
Millwall	13	4	2	0	15	4	1	3	3	4	7	20
Watford	14	4	1	2	13	12	1	3	3	10	13	19
Birmingham	13	4	0	2	7	8	1	4	2	4	9	19
Derby C.	13	2	0	3	10	10	3	3	2	12	8	18
Portsmouth	13	4	0	1	10	2	1	3	4	10	16	18
Grimsby T.	13	3	2	1	10	7	2	1	4	7	8	18
Peterboro*	13	1	2	4	5	10	4	1	1	12	7	18
Bristol City	13	3	2	2	10	12	2	0	4	9	18	17
Oxford Utd	13	2	4	2	7	5	1	3	1	6	7	16
Cambridge	14	4	0	3	8	10	0	4	3	5	13	16
Notts C.	14	1	3	2	5	7	2	2	4	13	22	14
Brentford	13	3	2	3	15	11	0	2	3	3	6	13
Barnsley	13	2	2	3	8	7	1	1	4	5	7	12
Sunderland	13	2	2	2	7	7	1	1	5	3	13	12
Luton T.	13	0	3	3	8	18	2	2	3	6	10	11
Southend U.	13	1	3	1	5	4	1	2	5	7	13	11
Bristol R.	14	2	1	4	10	17	0	2	5	9	15	9

FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES 92/93

	League		Cup		Total	
	Apps	G	Apps	G	Apps	G
Austin Berkley	0	0	1	1	1	1
Paul Bodin	11	1	3	0	14	1
Colin Calderwood	14	0	5	0	19	0
Shaun Close	0 (3)	0	1 (1)	0	1 (4)	0
Fraser Digby	8	0	3	0	11	0
Nicky Hammond	6	0	2	0	8	0
Micky Hazard	13	0	4	0	17	0
Glenn Hoddle	14	1	3	1	17	2
Kevin Horlock	3 (1)	1	2	0	5 (1)	1
Paul Hunt	0	0	1	0	1	0
David Kerslake	12 (1)	0	4	0	16 (1)	0
Martin Ling	13 (1)	2	5	1	18 (1)	3
Marcus Phillips	0 (1)	0	0 (1)	0	0 (2)	0
Craig Maskell	14	11	4	2	18	13
David Mitchell	14	4	4	4	18	8
Eddie Murray	0	0	0 (1)	0	0 (1)	0
John Moncur	10 (1)	1	2	0	12 (1)	1
Wayne O'Sullivan	0	0	1	0	1	0
Nicky Summerbee	8 (5)	1	4 (1)	1	12 (6)	2
Shaun Taylor	14	5	4	1	18	6
Adrian Viveash	0 (4)	0	1 (2)	0	1 (6)	0
Steve White	0 (11)	1	1 (4)	2	1 (15)	3

SWINDON TOWN FC FIXTURES 1992/93

Date	Opponents	F A	Att.
1 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 3-2	3,278
Sat Oct 10	Portsmouth	A 1-3	12,442
Sat Oct 17	Notts County	H 5-1	7,912
Sat Oct 24	West Ham United	A 1-0	17,842
Tue Oct 27	Oldham Athletic (C.C.C.3)	H 0-1	8,811
Sat Oct 31	Barnsley	H 1-0	7,784
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 -	-
Sun Dec 06	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	-	-
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.

and Statistics



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	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.
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE 1	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE	WHITE 1	LING	MITCHELL 1	CLOSE (10)	PHILLIPS M. (7)
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE	MASKELL	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (7) 1	HORLOCK (3)
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK 1	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE 1	MASKELL	LING 1	MITCHELL 1	WHITE (9)	MONCUR (8) 1
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	MONCUR	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (8)	VIVEASH
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE	MASKELL	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (10)	VIVEASH
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (11)	VIVEASH

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TEAM CHANGES

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- 2 DAVID KERSLAKE
- 3 KEVIN HORLOCK
- 4 GLENN HODDLE
- 5 COLIN CALDERWOOD
- 6 SHAUN TAYLOR
- 7 MICKY HAZARD
- 8 NICKY SUMMERBEE
- 9 CRAIG MASKELL
- 10 MARTIN LING
- 11 DAVID MITCHELL

SUB: 12 STEVE WHITE

14 ADRIAN VIVEASH

Referee: D.G.Frampton (Poole, Dorset)
Linesman (red/yellow flag): G.A.Beale (Taunton, Somerset)
Linesman (yellow flag): R.J.Lane (Bath, Avon)
Reserve Official: K.Stump (Swindon, Wiltshire)

BRENTFORD

TEAM CHANGES

- 1 GERRY PEYTON
- 2 BRIAN STATHAM
- 3 CHRIS HUGHTON
- 4 KEITH MILLEN
- 5 JAMIE BATES
- 6 SIMON RATCLIFFE
- 7 MICKY BENNETT
- 8 BILLY MANUEL
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SUB: 12 GRANT CHALMERS

14 LEE LUSCOMBE

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