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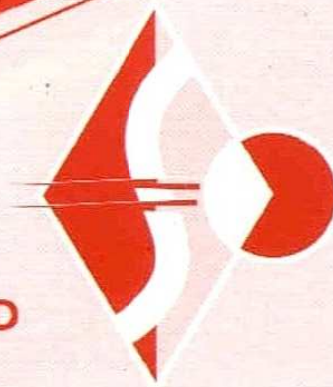
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WELCOME

This afternoon we welcome the players, officials and supporters of **Charlton Athletic Football Club** to The County Ground for today's Barclays League encounter.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE

Next Saturday is the day set for the fourth round of the F.A. Cup so our next game in the Barclays League is not until Tuesday 26th January when we travel to meet Grimsby Town at Blundell Park in Cleethorpes where the kick off is at 7.45pm.

Our next scheduled home game is on Saturday 30 January when we entertain Wolverhampton Wanderers kicking off at 3.00pm. Tickets for this game are now on sale from the Advance Ticket Office.

The game with Luton Town, postponed on Boxing Day will now be played at Kenilworth Road on Wednesday 17 March kicking off at 7.45pm. The fixture remains all ticket with no cash admission on the night.

Tickets purchases for the original date are still valid.

RESERVES

This Monday afternoon the Reserves have a re-arranged home fixture in the Neville Ovenden Football Combination against Chelsea at The County Ground kicking off at 2.00pm.

This is followed on Wednesday 20 January with the short trip to meet Oxford United at The Manor Ground where the kick off is at 7.30pm. New dates are being finalised for the various games postponed recently. The latest postponement was the game at Charlton Athletic on 6 January when Charlton's landlords at Welling United refused to let the game go ahead fifteen minutes before the kick off to save the pitch for a Cup game! Details of all re-arrangements are on Rowlands Reserves page.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES

This morning the Youth Team met Tottenham Hotspur away in the South East Counties League. Their next home League fixture is next Saturday when AFC Bournemouth

visit Wanborough kicking off at 11.00am.

NO DATE YET

With Nottingham Forest and Birmingham City still to play their Midland Youth Cup second roundtie we have been unable to date the two legged semi finals against the winners.

MORE OLDIES!

The free reprint of our Christmas Programme against Bristol City from 1945 given away in last Tuesday's programme proved very popular and we hope to offer a similar gift at a future game this season.

YOUTHS SUCCESS

For the first time in eight years our Youth Team have battled through to the fourth round of the F.A. Youth Cup having soundly beaten Arsenal here at The County Ground recently 5-2. Steve Lane has scored in every round so far and will no doubt be out to continue the feat in the next round against Bristol City at Ashton Gate on Monday 1 February. Steve Lane features in Insight in this afternoons programme.

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Steve White keeps a close eye on the ball.

Glenn Hoddle

It seems a long time since we last met but a Happy New Year to you all. People are still talking to me about that FA Cup tie at Loftus Road. I can't really praise the lads enough for the way they performed.

Apart from that disastrous five-minute spell in the first half that cost us three goals we looked the business. Even then we did enough to have forced a replay.

We did miss Colin Calderwood in the centre of the defence there can be no getting away from that. This is no criticism of David Mitchell who did an exceptional job in a position he is not accustomed to.

I think one of the most pleasing aspects from our point of view was the character we displayed. Many sides, even Premier League teams, would have folded, just melted away, after conceding three goals in such a short span of time. But we fought back bravely and kept our shape, continued to play our football, and won a lot of admirers.

The two missed chances before Rangers scored were unfortunate. But that's football. Sometimes they go in sometimes they don't. All you can do is pick yourselves up, dust yourselves down, and get on with it.

That is exactly what we did. Steve White came back with a good goal at Oxford last Saturday to win us a game we never looked like losing. There is no better way of responding and if truth be known this was a much better performance than the one at Rangers.

We had worked all week in training on ways of strengthening our defensive frailties. Practising things that we needed to put right if we are to be serious promotion challengers.

It involves everyone on the pitch. For once the opposition have the ball we are all defenders and have to work at winning it back again. We had not been switching on when they had the ball. At Oxford we did.

The lads left the field knackered but it was well worth while. You have to work hard if you want reward. Now we have to repeat this effort in the next 22 games.



We introduced Andy Gray at Oxford, a player I'm sure you will love. He had not played for four months because of injury yet showed tremendous energy and enthusiasm. He can tackle, is a good passer of the ball and blends well with Nicky and Martin in midfield. He played exactly as I wanted him to and though he is only with us for a month the Board have to be congratulated for agreeing to finance the venture.

The fact that they are willing to recruit a player with an England pedigree shows that they are just as ambitious as the rest of us.

There is good news about Ross MacLaren as well. It seems he could well be ready to return by the end of the month. We have missed Ross enormously because he is the only player who can fill in for me as the sweeper. When he is in the side he covers to allow me to get forward more. That is how we played it when we were at our best last season.

Tuesday's draw with Birmingham City was obviously disappointing but our overall performance was not all bad on a very heavy pitch.

It was a shame we could not clinch the win we deserved. There were over 14,000 here, which is a great turn-out. We just hope most will come back to see us again.

We looked nice and solid at the back again and it was good to back up a clean sheet at Oxford with another against Birmingham. We are still very optimistic about our chances none-the-less for there are a lot of six-pointers coming up at home.

Newcastle United, Tranmere, Millwall, Portsmouth and West Ham all have to come here so our destiny is still very much in our own hands.

Enjoy the game.



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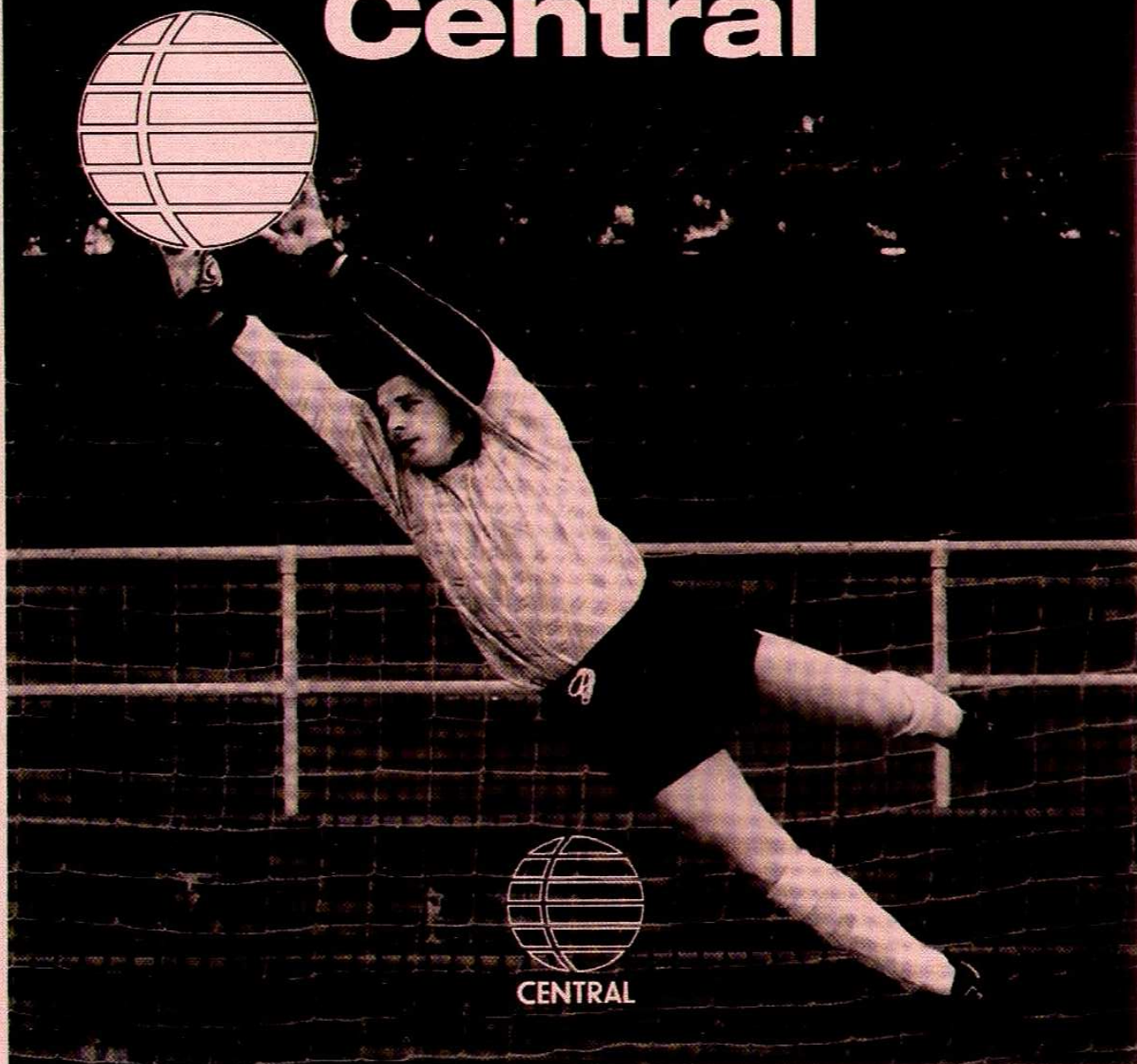
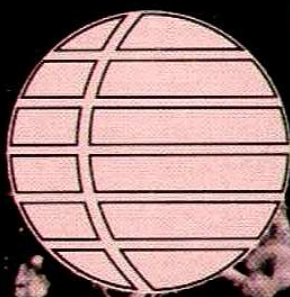
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NEWS ON *one*

Bristol City's 2-1 defeat at home to Newcastle last Saturday has left the West-Country Club towards the lower regions of the table and has manager Denis Smith reflecting on what has gone wrong in a season which started with much optimism. Says a disheartened Smith: "Before the season I really felt we would, at least, be in the play offs and I said so. That was the optimistic mood running through the club. I still know the talent is here to get the right results in the second half of the season. Thirty years in this game have taught me that managers live by their results and I'm no different to anyone else."

Tranmere Rovers maintain their challenge near the top of the table with a two all draw with Charlton at The Valley in front of a capacity 8,337. Scorers for Rovers were Pat Nevin and inevitably John Aldridge who took his tally to 19 league goals for the season and is well on course to beat last seasons tally of 22. Despite the team's success, Aldridge will not give any rash predictions: "We've surprised ourselves a bit. We are playing really well but there is still a long

way to go until the end of the season. We're up there to be knocked off."

Newcastle boss, Kevin Keegan, has confirmed he is lining up a £3 million plus deal to strengthen the Magpies promotion bid. It is reported that QPR's Les Ferdinand is the target but Keegan is remaining tight lipped: "We are still looking for forward power. Somebody who is as good or better than what we already have. But the only time I want to confirm that we are interested in a player is when there is a Press Conference to meet him. Whenever anything gets out, you don't get your player." David Kelly's winner at Bristol City took his goal tally to twelve for the season.

West Ham United's promotion challenge has been helped by the form of summer signing Mark Robson who arrived in East London on a free transfer from Spurs. Robson has fast become a favourite with the Upton park fans for his fast wing play and predicts that he may be facing his old Spurs side next season: "I've been surprised at the amount of football being played in the First Division. It's not nearly as rough and tumble as I'd expected. I expect Newcastle, Swindon and Portsmouth to be up there at the end challenging for promotion with us. A lot

of teams have good approach play but lack a clinical finisher."

It is a surprise not to see the names of Steve Bull and Andy Mutch feature amongst the top goalscorers in the division. The reason for this may be the form of Wolves team-mate Mark Burke who has hit five goals already this season and has plenty more on the way. A £15,000 signing from Middlesbrough Burke has switched from out on the wing to a more central role which he says suits his game: "Now I think I'm playing in my best position in midfield behind the strikers and it seems to be working out. I've been allowed to express myself and become more involved in the middle of the park instead of being left out on the wing." Wolves went down 3-1 to Watford last Saturday, only seven days after coming away from Vicarage Road with a 4-1 win in the Cup.



Mark Robson -
favourite at Upton Park.

Charlton Athletic

A **Carl Leaburn** goal just 12 minutes from time earned Charlton a 2-2 draw with Tranmere Rovers last Saturday and preserved the Valiants unbeaten home record at The Valley.

Leaburn's fourth goal of the season gave Charlton a sixth consecutive score draw in a sequence that has gone like this: Watford (a) 1-1; Oxford (h) 1-1; West Ham United (h) 1-1; Peterborough (a) 1-1; Leeds United (a) 1-1 and Tranmere Rovers (h) 2-2.

But perhaps more encouraging for the Charlton management duo of **Steve Gritt** and **Alan Curbishley** was the fact for the second week running a recognised striker had found the net after a six week drought.

The breakthrough had been made by **Garry Nelson** in an epic 1-1 draw with the League Champions, Leeds United, in an FA Cup Third Round tie at Elland Road, the replay of which was staged at The Valley this week.

Leaburn had been on the score-sheet on the opening day of the season when Nelson and **Alex Dyer** contributed to a 3-1 win over Grimsby Town. But Leaburn has netted just three more since then, Nelson four, while Alex Dyer, a £100,000 signing from Crystal Palace in 1990, scored once more - in the

4-1 home win over Bristol Rovers last August - and has not featured in the home team since November.

That victory over Rovers remains the Valiants highest score this season and since beating Leicester 2-0 on November 4th, Charlton had failed to score more than once in any fixture until last Saturday.

Midfielder **Alan Pardew** leads the scoring chart with seven strikes - but five of them were netted in the opening six games and Charlton's inability to turn chances into goals has seen them slide down from the top of the table to tenth position.

The management team have tried to rectify the situation and gave Norwich City's Lee Power a trial on loan. But Ireland's 'Player of the Year' failed to register in five outings in December and consequently the Londoners were not persuaded to invest the asking price of £400,000.

Money is in short supply and until their return to The Valley in December Charlton, who were hiring Upton Park for around £11,000 a game, were losing money as they were unable to cash in commercially. That is all changed now though The Valley's capacity of just over 8,000 still limits their resources.

The cash for new players was generated by the sale of England Under-21 winger **Robert Lee** to Middlesbrough for £700,000.



Lee had scored once in eight games for the Club this season to take his record to 59 goals in 298 League appearances.

A quick investment of £75,000 brought **John Robinson** from Brighton as his replacement and another 21 year old, **Steve Garland**, who has made a great impact in midfield, following his arrival from Newcastle United.

As the result at Leeds indicates, Charlton Athletic have gradually got back to becoming a hard side to beat and though the goals are still not flowing freely it is the sort of base on which progress can be built.

CHARLTON'S LEAGUE FORM GUIDE

Opponents	F	A	Scorers
Grimsby Town	3	1	Leaburn, Nelson, Dyer
Cambridge Utd	1	0	Pardew
West Ham Utd	1	0	Pardew
Bristol Rovers	4	1	Pardew 2, Lee, Dyer
Luton Town	0	0	
Sunderland	2	0	Nelson, a/g
Cambridge Utd	0	0	
Tranmere Rovers	0	0	
Swindon Town	2	0	Minto, Grant
Southend Utd	1	1	Grant
Bristol City	1	2	Leaburn
Millwall	0	2	
Derby County	3	4	Pardew 2, Robinson
Birmingham City	0	0	
Leicester City	2	0	Nelson 2
Brentford	0	2	
Newcastle Utd	1	3	Nelson
Wolves	1	2	Bumstead
Barnsley	0	1	
Portsmouth	1	0	Walsh
Watford	1	1	Robinson
Oxford Utd	1	1	Bumstead
West Ham Utd	1	1	Bumstead
Peterborough Utd	1	1	Garland
Tranmere Rovers	2	2	Balmer, Leaburn



Back Row: Steve Gattling, Tommy Caton, Lee Harrison, Bob Bolder, Mike Salmon, Alan Pardew, Linvoy Primus, Alex Dryer.
Middle Row: Jimmy Hendry (Physio), Scott Minto, Stuart Balmer, Carl Leaburn, Steve Brown, Kim Grant, Paul Bacon, Jermaine Darlington, Danny Warden, Keith Peacock (Reserve Team Coach).
Front Row: Darren Pitcher, Paul Gorman, Garry Nelson, Alan Curbishley (Player/Manager), Simon Webster, Steve Gritt (Player/Manager), Colin Walsh, John Robinson, John Bumstead.

STUART BALMER - *Central Defender.* A former captain of Celtic Reserves, Stuart represented Scotland at schoolboy and youth levels. However he did not get a senior game until after his £100,000 transfer in the summer of 1990, and had made 42 League appearances by the close of last season. Born: Falkirk 20-9-69.

BOB BOLDER - *Goalkeeper.* Just three games off his 250th League appearance for Charlton. Came into League football with Sheffield Wednesday 16 years ago after they had spotted him playing for Dover. Made close on 200 League appearances before moving to Liverpool. Didn't get

a game while at Anfield and moved to Sunderland. Joined Luton on loan before a £20,000 move to Charlton in 1986. Born: Dover 2-10-58.

JOHN BUMSTEAD - *Midfield.* Has been playing League football since November 1978 - when he made his debut for Chelsea. Went on to score 38 goals in 339 league games for the Blues. After 13 years at the Bridge he signed for Charlton in 1991 and made his bow v Newcastle. Industrious midfield dynamo. Born: Rotherhithe 27-11-58.

STEVE GARLAND - *Midfield.* Former Spurs apprentice - he made one League appearance as a sub against Aston Villa.

Became Kevin Keegan's first signing at Newcastle United last season but failed to win a regular place, making just one Anglo Italian Cup appearance this season. Cost £30,000 to sign in December and made his Charlton bow in the 1-1 draw with West Ham United. Scored his first goal the following week against Peterborough. Born: Croydon 20-1-71.

KIM GRANT - *Forward.* A graduate of the YTS Kim burst into the senior side in a Second Division game the season before last against Bristol City. Has found it difficult to secure a regular spot and had made 16 League appearances by the start of this season. Born: Ghana 25-9-72.

CHARLTON ATHLETIC

CARL LEABURN - Striker.

Tall lanky forward of 6'3" who has never really produced the goals his talent promises as his stats of 15 goals in 119 League games prior to this season, suggest. Scored on his debut, at Newcastle, when he was 18 but had notched just 4 goals in the Second Division. Born: Lewisham 30-3-69.

SCOTT MINTO - Fullback/

Midfield. Outstanding leftback who has played for England at under-18; 20 and 21 levels. Was a regular in the Charlton side before his 19th Birthday having made his debut - as a sub - v QPR in December 1988. A good passer of the ball he is equally effective in midfield. Born: Wirral 6-8-71.

GARRY NELSON - Striker.

In his second season with the Valiants, Garry is no stranger to the County Ground having scored 7 goals for Town in 79 League appearances. Started his career with Southend United and has served Plymouth, Brighton and Notts County (on loan). Born: Braintree 16-1-61.

ALAN PARDEW - Midfield.

Signed on a free transfer from Crystal Palace in November 1991 Alan clocked up his 50th appearance for Charlton, at Watford (13-12-92). Came to fame when he scored that extra-time winner for Palace in their 1990 FA Cup semi-final win over Liverpool. Started his career with Yeovil and Dulwich Hamlet. Born: Wimbledon 18-7-61.

DARREN PITCHER - Fullback.

A graduate of the FA School of Excellence, Darren made his senior debut in a Littlewoods Cup tie with Northampton in 1988. But he had to wait for his League debut - coming on as a substitute against us the season before last. Now firmly established in the number two shirt though his versatility has seen him also operate at centre-half and in midfield. Born: Mile End 12-10-69.

JOHN ROBINSON - Forward.

A winger of the old school who hugs the line and delivers quality crosses. Joined Brighton as a trainee and made 56 League appearances (6 goals). Signed by Charlton in September 1992 for £75,000 as a direct replacement for Robert Lee and has filled the role perfectly. Born: Bulawayo Rhodesia 29-8-71.

COLIN WALSH - Midfield.

Served his apprenticeship with Nottingham Forest and played 139 League games before a £125,000 move to London in September 1986. A Scottish Under-21 cap his first career with Charlton has been interrupted by two breaks of the leg - the first he suffered at Newcastle in November 1987; the second ten months later. Had loan spells at Peterborough and Middlesbrough as he worked back to fitness. Born: Hamilton 22-7-62.

SIMON WEBSTER - Central

Defender. Former Spurs apprentice - Simon made three League appearances for them before joining Huddersfield Town after loan stints with Exeter and Norwich City. Played 37 League games for Sheffield United and joined the Valiants for £120,000 after a month on loan in the summer of 1990. Born: Earl Shilton 20-1-64.

THE MEN IN CHARGE



ALAN CURBISHLEY and STEVE GRITT are joint

managers of Charlton Athletic. Both 34 years old and former players of the Club they try to install what Curbishley's mentor, Ron Greenwood, calls "good habits".

They took control following the departure of Lennie Lawrence to Middlesbrough. In their first season they led the side to within one win of a place in the play-offs.

Steve, born in Bournemouth 31-10-57, is by far the longer serving of the pair. He has made over 400 appearances for Charlton in two spells with the Club having served his apprenticeship with Bournemouth for whom he made his League debut, at Rochdale, in October 1976.

In August 1977 Steve transferred to Charlton as a midfield player but such are his qualities that he has filled every position in the team, including two appearances in goal. He left for Walsall on a free transfer in 1989 but was back eight months later after 20 appearances.

Alan, also a midfielder, won England honours as a schoolboy then at youth and under-21 levels. He made the first of his 85 appearances for West Ham v Chelsea (29-3-75) and five years later joined Birmingham City (130 League); Aston Villa (36); Charlton 1984-1987; Brighton (116) before returning in 1990. In all he has made close on 100 appearances for Charlton.

TOWN vs VALIANTS

LEAGUE RECORD

	Home		Away	
	F	A	F	A
1921-22	0	0	5	4
1922-23	2	1	1	3
1923-24	1	1	1	3
1924-25	2	2	0	1
1925-26	3	0	0	2
1926-27	2	0	2	2
1927-28	2	2	1	3
1928-29	1	1	1	4
1933-34	1	3	0	1
1934-35	2	2	0	6
1963-64	2	2	2	2
1964-65	2	0	2	3
1969-70	5	0	1	1
1970-71	1	1	1	2
1971-72	2	1	1	3
1974-75	2	0	3	3
1980-81	0	3	0	0
1990-91	1	1	2	1
1991-92	1	2	0	0
1992-93			0	2

SUMMARY

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	19	7	9	3	32	22
Away	20	2	6	12	23	46
Totals	39	9	15	15	55	68

Those were the days...

BY PAUL PLOWMAN

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



These days, the Town make frequent appearances on television, but twenty years ago such an event was rare. One of their earliest showings on BBC's Match of the Day was in August 1969, when viewers saw Swindon rattle in five goals without reply against today's visitors, Charlton. Don Rogers was involved in all five and also in the Town side that day, although he didn't get on the scoresheet either, was Arthur Horsfield.

Arthur and Don had played in the same England Youth side. "That was a long long time ago, nearly 30 years!", said Arthur. But with little hesitation, he began to reel off other names. "Peter Knowles, Alan Ogle the goalkeeper, Alf Wood, Brian Bromley." Arthur had then just finished his apprenticeship at Middlesbrough. He made his League debut at Ayresome Park just two months after his 17th birthday, in September 1963, and knocked in eight goals in his first dozen Second Division games.

'Boro were relegated in 1966, but it did little harm as far as Arthur's career was concerned. They won promotion at the first attempt, with 70 goals coming from John O'Rourke, John Hickson and Arthur - whose

contribution was 22 in just 33 appearances.

In January 1969, he was given the chance to play in the First Division with his home-town club, Newcastle. But little more than four months later, Arthur was on his way to Swindon. Danny Williams signed him for £17,500 (then a club record fee!) but he had gone to Sheffield Wednesday before Arthur made his Town debut at the end of July, when he hit a hat-trick in an 8-0 friendly against a representative side from Gibraltar.

Swindon was a long way from his native Tyneside, but Arthur seemed to settle well. "It was more difficult for the wife", he recalled. "There were five of us lads from the north-east. Joe Butler, Peter Noble, Willie Penman and an old pal of mine from Middlesbrough, Don Heath." Arthur scored twice on his home League debut and went on to finish his first season at the County Ground as top scorer with 22 - plus another six in Anglo-Italian competitions. He grabbed a hat-trick in a 4-0 win over Roma, another two in a similar victory over Juventus and one against Napoli in the Final.

Fifteen goals followed in 1970/71 and twelve in his third and last term at

Swindon, before he joined Charlton in June 1972, when Ray Treacy moved in the opposite direction. Arthur made maximum League appearances in 1972/73, 1973/74 and 1974/75 - when they pipped Swindon for promotion from the Third Division. He added a further 11 goals that season before again taking up residence in the centre of the defence. Arthur's final League appearance came in May 1977, after which he signed for Southern League Dartford.

An ankle injury ended his playing days, but he stayed on at Watling Street to look after the junior and reserve sides. Now 46, Arthur lives at Gravesend and is a shift manager with Parcel Force but the only football he watches is when his son Gary is in the action for a local Kent League Club.



Arthur Horsfield

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with Janet Garrett

A big welcome from myself and my colleagues in the Commercial Department to our match this afternoon.

MATCHDAY SPONSORS

It is particularly pleasing to welcome the **Stratton Workmans Reform Club** as the matchday sponsors here this afternoon. The Club was first registered as the Stratton Workmans Reform Club on the 1st July 1893 which makes 1993 their centenary year! The Club was formed, so it is said, because of the attitude of certain licensees of those days in refusing to provide club rooms for workman so a few "reformers" got together and decided to form a club of their own. Helped and supported by Arkells Brewery the Club now has a membership of well over one thousand and is shortly to undergo internal reconstruction and refurbishment. The party is led today by Steve Daglish one of three trustees. I hope that every member of the Stratton Workmans Reform Club enjoys their time with us and returns to sponsor a match in their Bi-Centenary year!

MATCHBALL SPONSORS

Welcome to today's matchball sponsors who are Mike Sigrist Associates from Wood Street in Old Town.

PROGRAMME SELLERS AND LOTTERY AGENTS

A big thank you to all the programme sellers and lottery agents who turned out in such awful weather for our get together on Monday 21st December. It was a great opportunity for me to meet the hard working people that don't always get the chance to talk to and I think that a great evening was enjoyed by all ... we must do it again sometime.

GREENDOWN SCHOOL

Another big thank you to Greendown School in West Swindon, whose head of art is Mr Eric Bullion; particularly to Claire Philpott and Kirsty Nutbeen who stepped in at the last minute and very expertly decorated the Club shop window with artistic Christmas paintings and drawings. We know who to approach next year girls!

BUSINESS CLUB LUNCH

Tickets are now on sale for the next Business Club lunch. This like the last one which was a great success is open to everyone who would like to have lunch in a convivial welcoming atmosphere, meet friends and of course take the chance of maybe chatting to their favourite players. Tickets are priced at £7.50 each and are on sale from the club, please ring either myself, Justine Phillips or Dave Hollister for more details.

Date: Thursday February 11th 1993

Time: 12 noon - 2pm

Venue: The Executive Suite, The County Ground

Watch out for details of the Sporting Club Dinner and Golf Day in the next programme.

TODAY'S LUCKY MASCOTS

Today Swindon town are once again privileged to have three lucky mascots supporting them.



The first is eleven year old **Neil Andrews** from Upavon, Pewsey. Neil attends Devizes School and enjoys swimming, playing computer games and football. He is a keen supporter of Swindon Town and a member of the Junior

Robins. He plays for the Pewsey Vale Boys Football Club Under 12's as a mid-fielder and hopes to one day play like Glenn Hoddle.



Our second mascot of the day is ten year old **Wesley Tarrant**, who attends Moredon Junior School. His hobbies also include playing computer games and football. Wesley had never been to a football match before Swindon Town v Derby County when his father was persuaded to bring him along, now he has become a Swindon Town addict. His favourite player is Glenn Hoddle who he was lucky enough to meet recently.

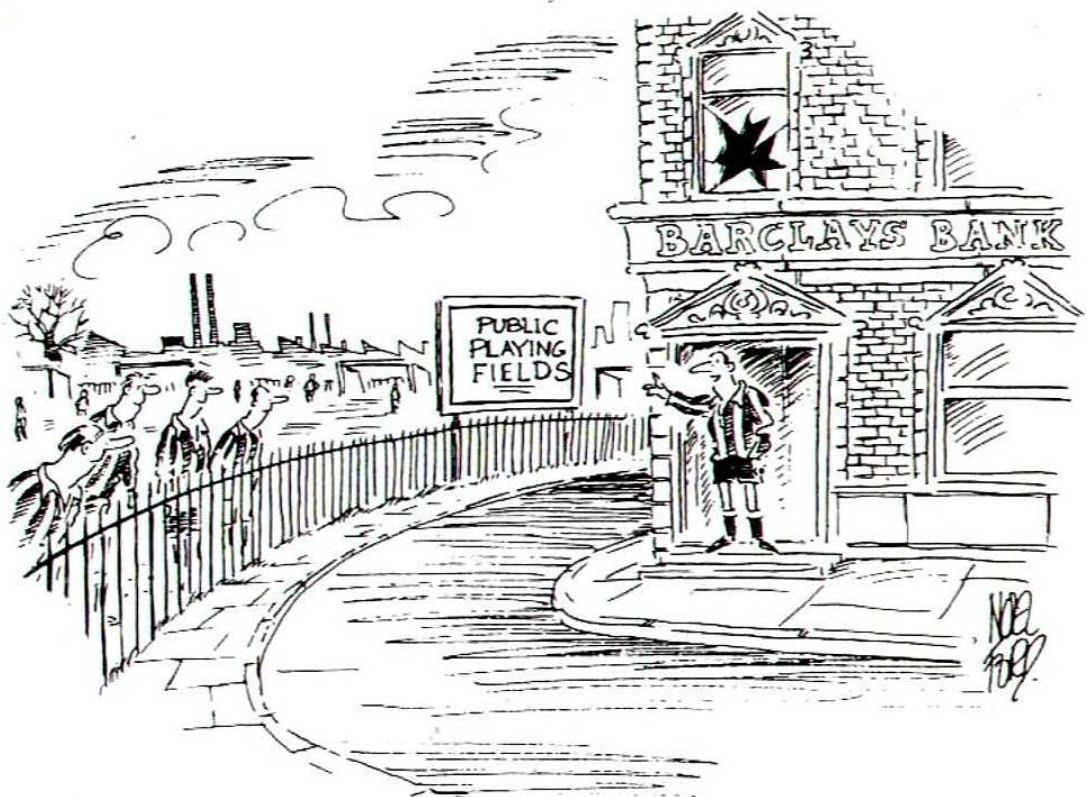


Our third mascot is **Sharron Randell** a very brave young lady from Greenmeadow, Swindon. Sharron being a mascot was arranged as a surprise by her mother, Carole for her twentieth birthday which is today, so happy birthday Sharron from all at Swindon Town. Sharron is a dedicated fan of Swindon Town and has already taken up part sponsorship of her favourite player David Kerslake's kit.

JUNIOR ROBINS

Junior Robins who were disappointed not to have gone to Luton on Boxing Day, cheer up it's not all doom and gloom. Swindon Town v Luton Town has been rescheduled for Wednesday 17th March 1993. All those who were unable to make Boxing Day and would have liked to have gone, now's your chance to book your place!!

Anybody who has already paid and cannot make this date please contact *Justine* in the Commercial Department, for refund etc.



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STAR OF THE WEEK

PLAYER PROFILE

DAVID MITCHELL

PLAYER PROFILE

David Mitchell has spent most of his professional career trying to score goals. At Loftus Road the other week, in the FA Cup, he spent 90 minutes trying to stop them.

Glenn Hoddle drafted big Dave into the centre of the defence alongside Shaun Taylor to replace skipper Colin Calderwood who was serving a one-match suspension following a sending-off at Leicester. It was a daunting prospect for a man playing out of position against one of the country's brightest young strikers, Les Ferdinand.

Ferdinand, hotly tipped for England's next World Cup engagement, has hardly been out of the headlines this season. But Dave, the rugged Aussie, who is no slouch when it comes to getting off the mark was not intimidated by the Queens Park Rangers star's reputation.

"It was a bit of a change," reflected David afterwards. "I was surprised when Glenn asked me to take on the job but I gave it my best shot."

"One of the goals was down to me. The ball came over and I was aware of Ferdinand's run but was confident I would get my head to the ball first. But he is so quick and his timing so good he got across me and won the ball. He would have probably beaten anyone to that ball."

"He is certainly a good player but what impressed me was the service he was given from the wings. They bombarded us with crosses."

A tough assignment for a player making his defensive debut at this level.

Apart from a couple of reserve games for Chelsea as a makeshift centreback Dave says the only experience he has had of this position "is when at Chelsea

I used to play there for a change sometimes in training sessions.

"I am not a bad reader of the game and though it took me 15-minutes or so to settle in at Loftus Road I think I did reasonably well. It was a good challenge for me.

"We received a lot of praise for our efforts that night. They said it was a great game to watch and that we produced some fine football. We do hear that sort of thing quite a lot. But at the end of the day we have to be disappointed as we didn't get anything out of the game."

"I thought Rangers took their foot off the pedal in the second half when we created a lot of chances. But chances are only half the permutation. You need to score to win games.

"One thing it did prove however was that we are quite capable of playing at that level. When we do reach the Premier League we shouldn't be short on confidence. The other point made was that we will need a bigger squad. At the moment if we get injuries we struggle.

"We are out of the FA Cup for another year which is a pity. Sure we can concentrate all our efforts now into climbing up the First Division ladder as people are so readily anxious to tell us. But a good cup run can also stimulate success in the league.

"Having said that. If it was a question of a Cup Final appearance or promotion to the Premier League there is no doubt which option we would all go for."

Another aspect of the Loftus Road experience that pleased David was the fact that Town had produced such high quality football away from home. He says: "We desperately need to improve our away record and if we

could produce that form at any First Division ground I am sure we would win."

In recent weeks Dave has lost his front-line role which has caused him to re-think his strategy. He claims: "My all-round game has been very good but strikers live on their goals and I haven't been scoring enough.

"My motto has always been that I am not too worried who scores as long as we win, but when the team stops winning that goes out of the window.

"I have always worked hard for the team and maybe one of my downfalls has been that I have not been selfish enough. If I have seen someone better placed I have always passed rather than shoot. But it doesn't always work to our advantage.

"The Peterborough game is a good example. I knocked the ball down for Micky Hazard to score the goal that the linesman ruled offside. Micky wasn't, as was clearly seen on TV. But if I had gone for goal with my header there would have been no questions asked."

David's most productive season was that of 1988-89 when he scored 15 goals in 40 odd games for Feyernoord. He says: "I have never been a prolific scorer but I make a few chances."

"I feel I have not been able to exploit my strengths which are pace and power in the air because of the way we play. I really need more balls slung in early behind defenders so that I can run at goal. I don't seem to get many one-on-ones with the goalkeeper which is what I'm good at."

Yet for all the frustrations of life up front Dave has no intentions of quitting the firing line to take on a defensive role.



Dave Mitchell

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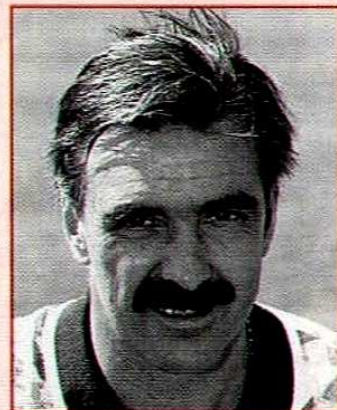


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Gorman's GROOVE

WITH
JOHN GORMAN



A warm welcome this afternoon to Charlton Athletic and the dual manager team of Steve Gritt and Alan Curbishley.

They must be extremely pleased now that they have moved back to their rightful home at The Valley.

I have some close associates at Charlton. I owe a great deal to Keith Peacock who is Reserve Team coach. Another pal there is "Paddy" Powell who is now groundsman and must have been a very proud man when the first game against Portsmouth was played back at The Valley in December.

On the football side we must make sure that there are no friendships once today's game gets underway. This one is a must for us.

After the Christmas lay-off we have started to catch up with our games with recent games against Oxford United at The Manor and at home to Birmingham City.

Football at this time of the year can be so frustrating. We have had so many games postponed. We prepare for the fixtures in the normal way in all kinds of weather only for them to be put off. We have had everything thrown at us when training - ice, snow, wind, rain, freezing fog and even a bit of welcome sunshine.

It was a great pity that the game at home to Birmingham City just after Christmas with all the preparation and extravaganza went down the tube, especially with a full house expected. The game eventually got under way last Tuesday ... with no sign of Father Christmas!

Even our Reserve Team have been badly hit with call-offs which has been worse for players like Ross MacLaren who badly need games on the come back from injury. Unable to play a Football Combination game we arranged a game at Hitchin Town. The pitch was perfect. If only we saw it! Thick fog prevented any chance of the game taking place.

Their game with Charlton's second string at Welling last week was postponed just fifteen minutes from kick off. No fault of Charlton however. Welling United refused to let the game go ahead. They wanted to save the pitch for a Cup tie last Saturday!

I had the same experience that night when I went to Plough Lane to do a bit of scouting only to be told that the game was called off at 7.00pm. That's British weather for you. Maybe we should do what the European teams do and have a winter break.

Our Cup loss at Queens Park Rangers was very disappointing. Six minutes of madness and it all went wrong. We have been

working hard in practice to try and put things right. Glenn and I will continue though to preach the way we play is the right way. We just need to add something extra to our all round defending and be a little more ruthless in front of goal. We can and will demand a real challenge and none better than today.

I must wish Adrian Viveash well on his loan to Reading. Adrian wants first team football and did well scoring on his debut for Reading at AFC Bournemouth in the Autoglass Trophy.

We also wish our former player Tom Jones a speedy recovery after breaking his leg in a training game at Reading. Tom is a fit lad and should recover well.



Adrian Viveash -
On loan to Reading.

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Home & Away

Our exit from the FA Cup in the third round tie at Loftus Road means that we have a free date next Saturday - January 23rd. But don't make other arrangements until you have checked the sports news.

Prior to this week's FA Cup fixtures of re-arranged and replayed games there were two possibilities. If either **Luton Town** or **Tranmere Rovers** have been eliminated in mid-week then we shall meet them in re-arranged Barclays League Division One fixtures.

Tranmere Rovers, whose game here on December 12th was abandoned through a floodlight failure, were at home to Oldham Athletic - who beat us in the Coca-Cola Cup - on Tuesday night.

Luton Town, who we were scheduled to meet at Kenilworth Road on Boxing Day until frost intervened, were home to Bristol City in their third round match on Wednesday evening.

So if either of these two teams are now out of the FA Cup we will be back in business next Saturday when it will either be Swindon Town v Tranmere Rovers here or Luton Town v Swindon Town at Kenilworth Road.

Listen for the announcements on the public address system today for full details.

There is no doubt about our game at **Grimsby** the following week - Tuesday 26th January. Glenn Hoddle's team will be trying to secure our first win at Blundell Park for 26 years. Our last success there was back in April

1967 when goals from Smart, Nurse, Rogers and Terry, sealed an exciting 4-3 victory.

Indeed, Town have not scored at Grimsby in their last five visits - the last Swindon goal at Blundell Park being netted by Stan Harland on the 11th May 1968, so can **Craig Maskell**, **Steve White** or **David Mitchell** end this barren run?

The following Saturday we entertain Wolverhampton Wanderers in one of the glamour games of the season. Wolves have won three and drawn five of their 13 away games in Division One this season but they have never won here at the County Ground.

Martin Ling scored our winning goal in the corresponding fixture last April when our defence kept a clean sheet against Steve Bull and company...Come along and see if we can make it three successive home wins over the Wolves...It is **Swindon Town v Wolverhampton Wanderers** at this stadium on Saturday, 30th January at 3.00pm.



Martin Ling - produced the winner against Wolves.



COLIN'S CORNER

WITH
**COLIN
CALDERWOOD**

It was good to be back at Oxford after missing the cup tie at QPR through suspension. That ban really hurt - I was desperately disappointed to have been ruled out of such a glamorous occasion.

Watching from the stands it was a familiar tale. We played a lot of good stuff, as we normally do, but conceded too many goals.

At Oxford the introduction of Andy Gray added a little more steel to our midfield. I thought the lad showed a great attitude. He didn't try and coast, which he might well have done after such a long time without a first team game, but got stuck in and won important tackles.

Fraser Digby also looked keen and positive in goal. It was the sort of performance you need if you are going to be a serious contender for promotion.

Oxford were never in the first half which we dominated and after the break, when they came into the picture a little more, we showed the sort of dogged determination and grit that wins games.

We looked solid and in control - there was a strong resolution throughout the team not to bend.

Today we have a point to prove against Charlton who have beaten us the last two times. I think it will be down to the way we defend this afternoon. If we get our defensive responsibilities right when we haven't got the ball - and this includes all eleven players on the field - then I think we will achieve our goal.

There's good news too about Ross who should, if the weather has allowed, have played a couple of reserve games by now. We are looking forward to his return. Ross's positional sense and ability to read the game is an asset that would enhance any side...His last game for us was against Grimsby. He could make his comeback against the Mariners in a couple of weeks time.

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It is not every day that we can welcome an England International into our side so the arrival of Andy Gray - be

it only on loan - is a great achievement for the club.

Andy, who seemed once destined for a great international future, unfortunately has not realised his promise mainly due to a catalogue of injuries that have dogged his career. But I'm sure once you have seen him in action you will agree he is something special.

Born in Lambeth on 22nd February 1964, he slipped through Crystal Palace's net after joining them on schoolboy forms. Seemingly not considered good enough by the Selhurst Park staff he drifted into non-League football where the talented teenager made a big impact with Corinthian Casuals and Dulwich Hamlet. So big in fact that Crystal Palace forked out £2,000 for his transfer in 1984.

It proved a good investment for after making his Football League debut in a 1-1 draw with Cardiff City on the 9th December 1984, Andy established himself as a regular in the Palace side scoring 27 goals in 98 Second Division appearances over three-and-a-half seasons at Selhurst Park.

Now midfield players who can score goals are always at a premium and Palace cashed in when Aston Villa dangled a cheque for £150,000 in front of them in November 1987.

Andy was considered one of the hottest properties in Division Two at the time but though he was to gain England recognition during his two years in the Midlands the man with the famous Villa name never really settled.

By the start of the 1988-89 season transfer speculation was linking him with Tottenham Hotspur. He stated he had no intention of moving and scored some important goals for Villa in a 3-2 victory at Arsenal and in a 2-0 Littlewoods Cup win over Birmingham City. Then he faced a three-match ban after being sent-off at Sheffield Wednesday and by the following February he was on his way back to London.

It wasn't to White Hart Lane however, but Loftus Road where he stayed but six months before returning yet again to Selhurst Park. This time it cost Palace a cool £500,000.

By February 1992 Andy had lost his place in the Crystal Palace side due to injury and was allowed to join Spurs on loan. The North-London giants liked what they saw and by May 1992 the move was made permanent.

He has made 28 League appearances for Spurs but has not been able to play for several months due to injury. His arrival at the County Ground on loan is to help him regain match-fitness and sharpness.

Always an enthusiastic performer Andy is a grafter in midfield. Solid in the tackle, he has pace and an eye for a goal. He is also a long-throw specialist.

Andy's Swindon debut, at Oxford United last Saturday, was his 251st League appearance. In all he has netted 46 goals in this competition. It would be nice if he could make it 50 while playing in our colours.



LEAGUE AND CUP APPEARANCES

LEAGUE:	App.	Gls.
1984-85	21	5
1985-86	30	10
1986-87	30	6
1987-88	17	6
C.PALACE	98	27

1987-88	19	1
1988-89	18	3
ASTON VILLA	37	4
1988-89	11	2
Q.P.R	11	2
1989-90	35	6
1990-91	30	4
1991-92	25	2
C.PALACE	90	12
1991-92	14	1
SPURS	14	1
TOTAL	250	46

F.A.CUP	App.	Gls
C.PALACE	14	2
ASTON VILLA	4	1
Q.P.R	-	-
SPURS	-	-
TOTAL	18	3

F.L.CUP & OTHER	App.	Gls
C.PALACE	40	10
ASTON VILLA	5	1
Q.P.R	-	-
SPURS	-	-
TOTAL	45	11



Andy Gray.

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INSIGHT

with Colin Benson

There's no stopping our youth team. The recent 5-2 defeat of Arsenal in the FA Youth Cup represents one of our best results at this level for years and the young Robins' success is down to the opportunism of a Kiwi!

This Kiwi is flying high too. For having scored against Oxford United and Southampton in the opening two rounds of this most prestigious of all youth competitions, Steve Lane slammed in four against the mighty Gunners to shatter their dreams.

It was certainly quite a night for the 18-year-old New Zealander who was watched by his proud parents who had flown over to spend Christmas with him in Swindon.

"I was put through on a one to one with their goalkeeper who came out. As I went past him he pulled me down just outside the box. It was a professional foul for which he was sent-off. Mark O'Driscoll's free-kick was parried by the stand-in goalkeeper and I managed to put the loose ball into the net.

"Steve Luwero then made it 2-0 and I made it three with a free-kick from the edge of the box that I was able to drill through the Arsenal wall.

"I completed my hat-trick in the second-half when I touched a cross from Robert French into the corner of the net from about 12-yards.

"My fourth followed a great ball that split the defence to allow me to run on and slot it in.

"It really was a night I shall never forget. It is the first time I have scored three or more goals in one match since I came here and that last goal was my 19th this season."

Steve, who joined us Christmas, 1991, after a trial with Leeds United, is determined to make the grade. His parents paid his passage to Leeds because the standard of the game back home is such that one can't make a living from it and after six-weeks at Elland Road he was invited back after the Christmas recess.

"I couldn't very well just hop home," says Steve, "so I was delighted when invited to come to Swindon. I liked it so much I didn't want to go back to Leeds."

At six-feet plus he is ideally suited to his front-line role though he insists: "I'm not a physical player. I like to be thought of as a thinking player - someone who gets in the right place at the right time. It is a matter of anticipation really and having the ability to react to situations quicker than the opposition."

A versatile performer, Steve played fullback for the New Zealand Under 15 side but was deployed as a striker at Under-19 level last October when New Zealand lost to South Korea, the UAE and Qatar in an international tournament in the United Arab Emirates.

"I scored against South Korea but we only got two goals so it wasn't a good trip for us," claims Steve who says the physical side of English football takes some getting used to.

"The speed of the game is another aspect but I have had good tuition here. John Trollope and Glenn have helped make me a much better player. I have improved my touch considerably.

A lot of emphasis is put on this in training.

"I have also been introduced to weights which I had never used and they are helping me to build up my strength and speed. I still need an extra-yard.

"The FA Youth Cup is a big competition for us. All the lads were hyped up before the game with Arsenal and I had to cope with some nervous tension before the game. But it worked out well.

"The thrill of playing in front of spectators is stimulating. It is what we all dreamed about back home...Just meeting players like Glenn Hoddle were only dreams before I came here."

Steve's target is to earn a professional contract at the end of this season and repeat performances of his demolition of Arsenal could ensure his future.

The lads are already into the semi-final of the Midland Youth Cup where they meet Nottingham Forest or Birmingham City over two-legs and into the fourth round of the F.A. Youth Cup for the first time since 1985 when we lost to Coventry City in a replay.

Bristol City provide the next test, at Ashton Gate on February 1st, as our youngsters try to surpass the team of 1964 - when Don Rogers, Tony Hicks and Bruce Walker were teenagers. They went all the way to the final but were beaten 5-2 on aggregate by a Manchester United side served by the likes of George Best, John Aston, David Sadler, John Fitzpatrick and Jimmy Rimmer.

It is traditional to award a hat-trick scorer the match ball after the game but Steve was unlucky. The ball was punted out of the ground just minutes from time and when the ball-boy got round to retrieve it he was just in time to see two youngsters scuttling off on mountain bikes with the ball under one arm!



Steve Lane

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TRAVEL CLUB

The Travel Club are running coaches to the next two away games. Membership costs £5.00 and lasts for three years. This entitles the member to the following low prices. For Grimsby on Tuesday January 26, £10.00 (dep. 1.15pm) and for Sunderland on Saturday February 6, £15.00 (dep. 7.00am). Non-members can travel on paying £1.00 extra and there is now a reduced fare for children of £2.00 off the prices shown. Travel is on Barnes Coaches, as used by the team, with videos and refreshments available. The Travel Club Office is open before and after all home games as well as Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings between 7.30 and 9.30pm. Telephone bookings can be made on 611499.

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For those living in Gloucestershire, KB Coaches will be taking supporters to both Grimsby and Sunderland. For Grimsby, times are Stroud 1.00pm, Tetbury 1.20 and Cirencester 1.45 and the fare is £9.50. For Sunderland, Stroud 7.15am, Tetbury 7.35 and Cirencester 8.00, with the fare £15.00. To book, just ring 0453 825774.

... AND FURTHER AFIELD

The Swindon Supporters in London Association (SSILA) will probably be travelling down by train with supporters from Charlton today. David Moulard writes "we often travel with the London Branch of the supporters club that we are playing, via our contacts with the Association of Football Supporters Clubs in London (APFSCIL). If there are at least ten travelling, we can take advantage of special group fares from British Rail and travel for around half the relevant Saver fare. Last season, SSILA organised seven trips by BR in their own right. So far this season we have travelled to Peterborough, Newcastle and Leicester. Many times we've been on trains back to London where five or six different sets of supporters have shared the same carriage without the slightest hint of trouble. Needless to say, this is not the sort of story that makes the press.

SOMERSET VALIENTS

Charlton supporter Tony Blanden is attempting to contact other fans in Somerset with a view to travel to matches and social events. If you live in the area and would like to get in touch with other Charlton fans please contact Tony at 28 Normany Avenue, Watchet, Somerset, TA23 0TU or telephone 0984 34286.

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or handed in at the Supporters' Information Desk, situated within the Matchday Ticket Office

Rowland's RESERVES

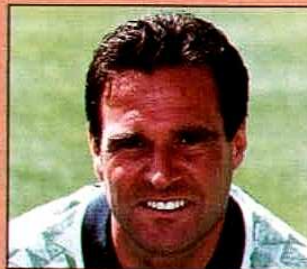
After losing our last three fixtures for one reason or another, the last game we played in 1992 was back on 22 December against Luton Town. The Kenilworth Road pitch was unplayable so the fixture was transferred to Leighton Town F.C. and was played in quite treacherous conditions.

Having said that we coped quite well with the semi-frozen pitch and for long periods of the game we dominated the play.

With Ross MacLaren making a long awaited return to action and Paul Bodin and Dave Mitchell also in the side we fielded probably our most experienced line-up of the season.

Despite going behind to an early Luton strike we did our best to pin the home side back and after several near misses equalised through Ross MacLaren just before half-time when he drilled a left foot shot from the edge of the box. It was no more than we deserved and the pattern of the second half was very similar with our goalkeeper George O'Hanlon a virtual spectator.

With the conditions making things difficult several chances came and went in front of goal and although we did not get as many as we deserved, the winner finally came with fifteen



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minutes remaining. A ball was half cleared by the Luton defence but only as far as Adrian Viveash who pounced to drive a low left-foot shot into the bottom corner to give us the victory our dominance merited.

Result:

Neville Ovenden Football Combination

**Luton Town 1
Swindon Town 2**

Scorers: MacLaren, Viveash
Team: O'Hanlon, O'Sullivan, Bodin, Middleton, Murray, Viveash, MacLaren, Berkley, Hunt, Close, Mitchell.
Subs: Heffer, Morah



Ross MacLaren - Scored on return from injury.

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
Thur Nov 05	Crystal Palace	A	3-3
Mon Nov 09	Watford	H	1-1
Tue Nov 17	Queens Park Rangers	H	1-1
Mon Nov 23	Chippenham T. (WPS)	H	8-1
Wed Nov 25	Ipswich Town	A	1-3
Tue Dec 15	Norwich City	H	2-2
Tue Dec 22	Luton Town	A	2-1
Fri Jan 15	Watford	A	
Mon Jan 18	Chelsea	H	
Wed Jan 20	Oxford United	A	
Wed Jan 27	Southampton	H	
Tue Feb 02	Wimbledon	A	
Wed Feb 10	Portsmouth	H	
Mon Feb 15	Charlton Athletic	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	
Sat Mar 27	Southampton	A	
Wed Mar 31	West Ham United	A	
Wed Apr 07	Oxford United	H	
Tue Apr 13	Chelsea	A	
Wed Apr 21	Charlton Athletic	A	
Sat Apr 24	Arsenal	A	
Wed Apr 28	Tottenham Hotspur	A	
Wed May 05	Crystal Palace	H	
T.B.A	Arsenal	H	
T.B.A	Queens Park Rangers	A	

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The County Ground, Swindon with a
7.30pm kick-off until further notice.

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION DIVISION ONE

SEASON 1992/93

AS AT 11TH JANUARY 1993

MILLWALL	17	10	4	3	38	18	34
CHELSEA	17	10	4	3	37	22	34
WIMBLEDON	17	9	5	3	27	16	32
IPSWICH TOWN	18	10	2	6	31	24	32
TOTTENHAM H.	19	8	7	4	40	18	31
CRYSTAL P.	16	7	6	3	34	22	27
Q.P.R.	14	7	5	2	25	13	26
WATFORD	19	6	8	5	27	32	26
ARSENAL	18	7	4	7	31	21	25
OXFORD UTD	18	6	6	6	22	31	24
BRIGHTON	19	7	3	9	23	40	24
SOUTHAMPTON	16	6	5	5	24	21	23
CHARLTON A.	17	6	3	8	21	29	21
NORWICH CITY	19	4	8	7	34	39	20
LUTON TOWN	17	4	5	8	18	27	17
PORTSMOUTH	17	4	4	9	24	39	16
WEST HAM	18	4	4	10	23	27	16
BRISTOL CITY	16	3	6	7	20	25	15
SWINDON TOWN	15	3	5	7	20	29	14
FULHAM	19	3	4	12	14	38	13

FOCUS on youth

After the Christmas period the South East Counties team got back into the form shown in the games leading up to the holiday period.

Playing some of the best football so far this season at Reading we were good value for the three goal lead at half time. Goals from Steve Lane, Steve Luwero and a Rob French penalty were reward for the hard work and the passing movements which never let Reading into the game.

The second half was totally different with the home side denying us the time and the space, stopping us from playing the football produced earlier.

To the players credit they never gave up and continued to work hard and although Reading pulled a goal back they never really threatened our lead any further.

This was a deserved victory with a pleasing first half and showing good spirit in the second when things did not go our way.

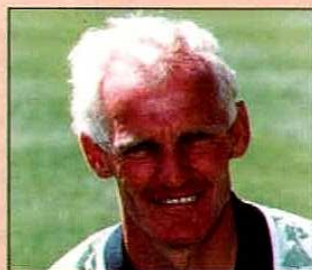
The third round of the F.A. Youth Cup against Arsenal was incident packed starting early on when the Gunners keeper was dismissed for a professional foul. Arsenal were a very strong side physically and although a man short they looked capable of winning the game.

Two goals from Steve Lane and one from Steve Luwero and a reply from the visitors gave us a 3-1 interval lead.

An early second half goal for Arsenal put us against it for the period. We weathered the storm and began to make the spare man count towards the end.

Steve Lane added two further goals taking his tally this season to nineteen to give us a hard fought win.

This was a very good team performance with everybody playing their part. We matched Arsenal for



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effort and getting that little bit of luck at the right time progressed through to the fourth round of the Cup for the first time in eight years. Our Cup performances have been very consistent. The approach and togetherness being right, hopefully we can produce this in our remaining League games.

The draw for the fourth round gives us a battle royal against Bristol City at Ashton Gate on Monday 1 February.

Results:

South East Counties League

Reading 1 Swindon Town 3

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

F.A. Youth Cup 3rd Round

Swindon Town 5 Arsenal 2

Scorers: Lane (4), Luwero
Team: Phillips K, Pitman, Phillips J, Reeves, Elsey, James, French, O'Driscoll, Luwero, Lane, Worrall.
Subs: Jordan D, Short



Rob French -
Reading penalty.

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 P)	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 (LC 1)	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 1)	A 2-2
Sat Oct 10	Oxford United	A 1-4
Sat Oct 17	Southampton	H 1-1
Mon Oct 19	Oxford United (MYC 1R)	H 3-0
Sat Oct 24	Oxford United	H 0-0
Sat Oct 31	Crystal Palace	H 1-0
Wed Nov 04	Oxford United (FAYC 1)	H 3-2
Sat Nov 07	Luton Town	H 1-3
Sat Nov 14	Wimbledon	A 0-3
Sat Nov 21	Bristol City	A 3-2
Sat Nov 28	Luton Town	A 1-4
Sat Nov 28	Luton Town	A 1-4
Wed Dec 09	Southampton (FAYC 2)	H 1-0
Sat Dec 12	Brighton & Hove Albion	A 1-2
Mon Dec 14	Derby County (MYC 2)	A 3-2
Sat Jan 02	Reading	A 3-1
Tue Jan 05	Arsenal (FAYC 3)	H 5-2
Sat Jan 09	Colchester United	H 0-2
Sat Jan 16	Tottenham Hotspur	A
Sat Jan 23	AFC Bournemouth	H
Sat Jan 30	Brentford	A
Mon Feb 01	Bristol City (FAYC 4)	A
Sat Feb 06	Wimbledon	H
Sat Feb 13	Southampton	A
Sat Feb 20	Crystal Palace	A
Sat Feb 27	AFC Bournemouth	A
Sat Mar 06	Bristol City	H
T.B.A	Bristol Rovers	H

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

12th JANUARY 1993

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Wimbledon	16	13	1	2	43	13	27
Brentford	15	9	5	1	28	13	23
Bristol City	15	9	1	5	33	22	19
Brighton	14	7	3	4	30	24	17
Southampton	16	5	6	5	17	20	16
Bournemouth	15	5	5	5	19	23	15
Luton Town	14	7	0	7	32	21	14
Tottenham H.	15	6	2	7	30	34	14
Crystal Palace	15	6	1	8	24	23	13
Colchester Utd	13	6	0	7	15	21	12
Bristol Rovers	15	4	4	7	23	34	12
Swindon Town	17	5	2	10	21	37	12
Oxford Utd	16	3	3	10	25	36	9
Reading	16	3	3	10	22	41	9

ALLIED COUNTIES YOUTH LEAGUE FIXTURES

Mon Sep 21	Newbury Town	A 10-0
Mon Sep 28	Reading	H 3-1
Mon Oct 12	Kintbury Rangers	H 11-0
Tues Nov 17	Kintbury Rangers (LC1)	A 10-0
Tues Dec 15	Kintbury Rangers	A 3-0
Wed Jan 13	Swindon Supermarine	A
Wed Jan 20	Thatcham	A
Mon Jan 25	Hungerford Town	A
T.B.A	Hungerford Town (LC2)	H

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



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BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 1992/93

AS AT 14TH JANUARY 1993.

P W D L F A W D L F A Pts

Newcastle U.	24	9	2	1	27	5	9	0	3	22	15	56
West Ham	24	6	2	2	23	10	6	4	4	22	15	42
Tranmere R.	23	9	4	0	31	9	3	2	5	13	19	42
Millwall	24	8	3	0	26	8	3	6	4	11	13	42
Portsmouth	24	9	1	1	24	3	2	6	5	20	25	40
Leicester C.	24	6	3	3	16	13	5	2	5	16	16	38
Swindon T.	23	7	3	2	24	15	3	4	4	17	21	37
Grimsby T.	24	6	3	3	20	16	4	1	7	16	16	34
Wolves	25	5	5	2	22	15	3	5	5	13	16	34
Charlton Ath.	25	5	7	2	18	12	3	3	5	11	13	34
Derby C.	24	3	0	8	17	22	7	3	3	23	13	33
Brentford	24	6	3	5	22	18	3	3	4	14	12	33
Watford	25	5	5	3	20	18	3	4	5	15	20	33
Peterboro'	21	2	7	4	17	19	6	1	1	15	8	32
Barnsley	24	6	2	4	14	9	3	2	7	16	19	31
Oxford Utd	23	4	6	3	20	13	2	5	3	14	15	29
Sunderland	23	5	3	4	18	16	3	2	6	7	18	29
Bristol City	24	5	4	4	18	18	2	2	7	11	28	27
Birmingham	22	5	1	4	14	17	1	5	6	6	19	24
Bristol R.	25	4	1	7	18	26	2	3	8	14	29	22
Cambridge Utd	24	4	2	5	13	17	0	7	6	13	28	21
Luton T.	23	1	5	4	12	21	3	4	6	14	24	21
Southend U.	24	3	3	4	12	11	2	3	9	12	24	21
Notts C.	24	2	5	5	10	16	2	3	7	14	28	20

FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES 92/93

	League		Cup		Total	
	Apps	G	Apps	G	Apps	G
Austin Berkley	0(1)	0	1	1	1(1)	1
Paul Bodin	13(1)	1	4	0	17(1)	1
Colin Calderwood	20	0	5	0	25	0
Shaun Close	0(3)	0	1(1)	0	1(4)	0
Fraser Digby	10	0	3	0	13	0
Andy Gray	2	0	0	0	2	0
Nicky Hammond	13	0	3	0	16	0
Micky Hazard	22	2	5	0	27	2
Glenn Hoddle	23	1	4	1	27	2
Kevin Horlock	11(2)	1	3	0	14(2)	1
Paul Hunt	0(2)	0	1	0	1(2)	0
David Kerslake	21(1)	0	5	0	26(1)	0
Martin Ling	21(1)	2	6	1	27(1)	3
Marcus Phillips	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0(2)	0
Craig Maskell	23	17	5	2	28	19
David Mitchell	20(2)	4	5	4	25(2)	8
Eddie Murray	0	0	0(2)	0	0(2)	0
John Moncur	10(3)	1	2	0	12(2)	1
Wayne O'Sullivan	0	0	1	0	1	0
Nicky Summerbee	15(6)	2	4(2)	1	19(8)	3
Shaun Taylor	23	7	5	1	28	8
Adrian Viveash	0(5)	0	1(2)	0	1(7)	0
Steve White	2(18)	1	1(4)	2	3(22)	3

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 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 0-2	7,988
Sun Nov 08	Newcastle United	A 0-0	28,091
Sat Nov 14	Southend United	H 3-2	7,777
Sat Nov 21	Bristol City	A 2-2	14,066
Sun Nov 29	Peterborough United	A 3-3	5,976
Sun Dec 06	Derby County	H 2-4	8,923
Sun Dec 20	Leicester City	A 2-4	15,088
Mon Jan 04	Q.P.R (FAC 3)	A 0-3	12,106
Sat Jan 09	Oxford United	A 1-0	9,146
Tue Jan 12	Birmingham City	H 0-0	14,398
Sat Jan 16	Charlton Athletic	H -	-
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 -	-
Wed Mar 17	Luton Town	A -	-
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 -	-
T.B.A	Tranmere Rovers	H -	-

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
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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
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HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE 1	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (4)	HUNT
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR 2	HAZARD	SUMMERBEE	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (4)	MONCUR
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD 1	SUMMERBEE	MASKELL 1	LING	MITCHELL	WHITE (11)	MONCUR (8)
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	HORLOCK	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD 1	MONCUR	MASKELL 1	LING	SUMMERBEE	WHITE (8)	BODIN (7)
HAMMOND	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	MITCHELL	TAYLOR	HAZARD	HORLOCK	MASKELL	LING	WHITE	SUMMERBEE (9)	MURRAY (8)
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	GRAY	MASKELL 1	LING	WHITE	MITCHELL	HORLOCK
DIGBY	KERSLAKE	BODIN	HODDLE	CALDERWOOD	TAYLOR	HAZARD	GRAY	MASKELL	HORLOCK	WHITE	MITCHELL	SUMMERBEE

SAVE BART'S



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TODAY'S LINE UP



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Monday 18 January 1993
Neville Ovenden Football
Combination Division 1
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CHELSEA
Kick off 2.00pm

Wednesday 27 January 1993
Neville Ovenden Football
Combination Division 1
vs
SOUTHAMPTON
Kick off 2.00pm

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TEAM CHANGES

- 1 FRASER DIGBY
- 2 DAVID KERSLAKE
- 3 PAUL BODIN
- 4 GLENN HODDLE
- 5 COLIN CALDERWOOD
- 6 SHAUN TAYLOR
- 7 MICKY HAZARD
- 8 ANDY GRAY
- 9 CRAIG MASKELL
- 10 MARTIN LING
- 11 STEVE WHITE

SUB: 12 DAVID MITCHELL 14 KEVIN HORLOCK

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Linesman (red/yellow flag): P.V.Norman (Midsomer Norton, Avon)
Linesman (yellow flag): M.J.Arch (Kidderminster, Worcestershire)
Reserve Official: I.Whitehouse (Calne, Wiltshire)

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TEAM CHANGES

- 1 BOB BOLDER
- 2 DARREN PITCHER
- 3 SCOTT MINTO
- 4 STEVE GATTING
- 5 SIMON WEBSTER
- 6 STUART BALMER
- 7 JOHN ROBINSON
- 8 CARL LEABURN
- 9 PETER GARLAND
- 10 GARRY NELSON
- 11 COLIN WALSH

SUB: 12 KIM GRANT 14 ALAN PARDEW

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