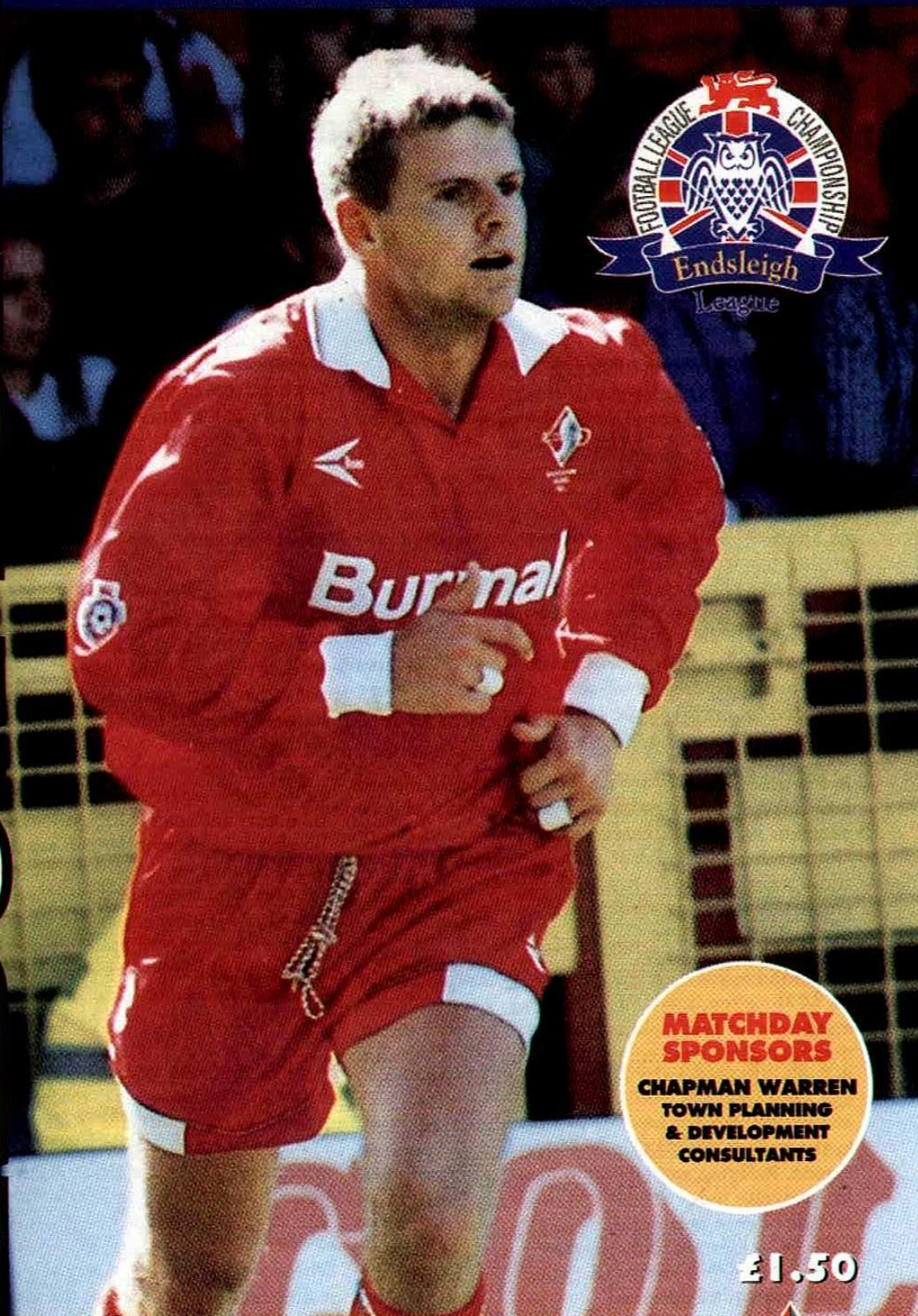


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# FIFA GUIDELINES

## - Understanding the Laws of the Game.



Since the introduction of the new FIFA regulations last summer at The World Cup there has been a great deal of controversy resulting in the interpretation of the rules. This week sees the first of four articles from the Football Association which it is hoped will be of assistance to fans in their better understanding of certain aspects of the Laws of the Game.

### OFFSIDE

The new guidelines circulated by FIFA to all National Associations and Referees have certainly resulted in more goals being scored during the early matches this season.

Spectators have generally been swift to welcome fewer 0-0 drawn matches and been pleased to be able to applaud goals being scored through skillful play arising from players being more able to hold and dribble the ball much more safely. This season, players have been protected more securely from foul, violent tackles from behind and, also not been needlessly denied exciting goals scored, even when teammates have been standing in off-side positions but, more importantly, when those teammates have not been committing an off-side offence.

In the past there was always a perceived tendency to find in favour of the defence when a marginal off-side decision was being made. The old philosophy of "Rather have a doubtful off-side punishment than allow a doubtful goal" has been replaced with a new emphasis on moving any fine balance slightly in favour of the attacking player.

The mood to encourage attacking play actually started in 1991 when Law XI (Off-side) was amended marginally, so that a player level with the second last defender (the goalkeeper normally being the last defender) became NOT off-side. Prior to 1991, "level" was off-side!

In the recent World Cup and now in our domestic season, Referees and Linesmen have been instructed to recognise more strictly that a player commits an off-side offence only if seeking to gain an advantage by being in his location or by interfering with play or with an opponent, in relation to the area of the field in which there is "active play".

An existing International FA Board decision relating to the Off-side Law has always made clear to Players and Referees alike that "off-side shall not be judged at the moment the player in question receives the ball, but at the moment when the ball is passed to him by one of his own side".

An indication of the region of "active play" is clearly helpfully given by thinking of the area on the field into

which "the ball is passed to him". As a result, Players and Spectators can be assured that if a player on the left hand side of the field is (only) in an off-side position and the ball is passed to a teammate in an on-side position on the right hand side of the field, no Linesman should raise his flag merely to indicate that, on the left, a Player is situated in an off-side position. Play should proceed and the attack, down the right, should continue uninhibited.

Of course, as any off-side judgement is made solely in terms of the relative positions of players "at the moment the ball is played", a player who is not in an off-side position when one of his colleagues passes the ball to him, also does not, therefore, become off-side if he goes forward into an off-side position during the flight of the ball.

However, in order to know accurately the direction, trajectory and speed of the ball after it has been played (in order to determine the area of "active play") a linesman must certainly delay his judgement of off-side (or not) for a couple of seconds and spectators should not misunderstand any minor delay in this adjudicating and perhaps consider it to be a sign of indecision. That slight pause before waving the flag (or deciding not to wave) is more likely to ensure a correct off-side judgement.

A FIFA guideline is very clear in terms of that fine balance, mentioned earlier, which has now been moved towards attacking play. It spells out, quite specifically, that "if a linesman is in any doubt as to whether a player is off-side (active area position) or not, he should decide in favour of the attacker, in words, he shall refrain from signalling off-side".

These observations should assist readers in understanding a little more the new guidelines and the philosophy of encouraging more attacking play, more excitement and (hopefully) more goals in Season 1994/95.

Enjoy the play and understand the linesman's position! A slight delay in signalling is a positive contribution to ensuring a more accurate decision.

Ken Ridden  
(The Football Association)





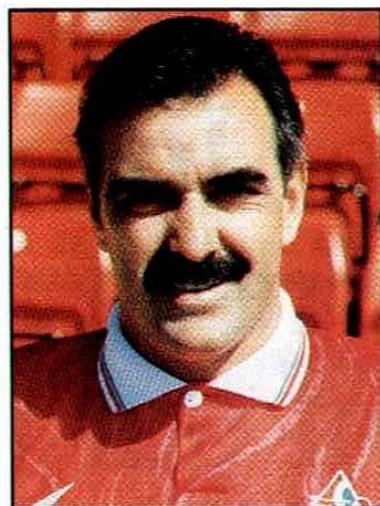
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# FROM THE TOP *With* JOHN GORMAN



**I must start this afternoon by pleading with you the fans to be at your most encouraging best today and inspire our lads against our visitors Millwall.**

Welcome to our big pal Mick McCarthy and Ian Evans and a special welcome to our old boy Dave Mitchell.

We always have exciting encounters and today's clash will be no exception.

We have had a frustrating time lately and obviously the fans are concerned about our away results and we are naturally anxious to put that right starting with our next game at Bristol City in two weeks time. But the important thing is to get back to winning ways today against The Lions.

The unfortunate loss of Shaun Taylor at Middlesbrough after breaking his arm could result in Shaun being out of the game for some time but with his attitude he will not be kept out for long. We are also delighted that Shaun has now agreed a new contract which will keep him at the club until 1997.

We are arranging a memorial game for Kevin Morris and hopefully the date for your diary is Sunday 18 December. We aim to bring along many big names to make the day worthwhile and encourage a big gate. I will keep you up to date with the players who have accepted our invitation to play.

Losing Kevin has been a very trying time and we have been helped on a day to day basis by Steve Slattery and Dick Mackie to whom we owe a big thank you. Two qualified physios have been with us in recent games-Mark Skull for the Southend United game and Geoff Spencer who has been at our last three away fixtures.

We are looking forward to next Wednesday's Coca-Cola Cup tie against Brighton & Hove Albion with the prospect of another home tie against Derby County if we are successful in the replay but beating Millwall today will be the boost we need.

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# THIS IS SWINDON

With  
**Jon Pollard - Club Secretary**

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Having been on our travels for the last three games we return to action this afternoon in the Endsleigh League as we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Millwall Football Club to The County Ground for this afternoon's fixture.

## Endsleigh League

No game for the first team next week as our original opponents Burnley have to play in the first round of the FA Cup on Saturday at home to Shrewsbury Town. Provided this game does not result in a draw we will now play Burnley here at The County Ground on Wednesday 23 November kicking off at 7.45pm. Our next Endsleigh League game is the local derby clash with Bristol City at Ashton Gate on Sunday 20 November. Kicking off at 3.00pm, the game which is not all ticket is being transmitted live on HTV.



## Avon Insurance Combination

We were due to play Crystal Palace at The County Ground next Wednesday in the Avon Insurance Combination but because of our Coca-Cola Cup replay the game will now be played next Friday evening 11 November kicking off at 7.30pm. With no game the following week the Reserves will be playing a friendly game at Cirencester Town FC on Thursday 17 November kicking off at 7.30pm.

## Anglo Italian

We head for the Marche Region of Italy next weekend for our 4th Series game in the Anglo Italian Cup when we play Ascoli on Tuesday 15 November. Kick off is at 8.30pm local time (7.30pm GMT). Depending on how Notts County get on at home to Venezia and Wolves at home to Atalanta we could go through to the semi-finals if we win.

## Coca-Cola Cup

Next Wednesday evening we play our Coca-Cola Cup 3rd Round replay against Brighton & Hove Albion here at The County Ground to decide who goes forward to entertain Derby County in the 4th round on Wednesday 30 November. The Brighton game is not all ticket and kicks off at 7.45pm. As with all other games supporters are advised to retain ticket stubs from this tie should priority booking be given at future games.

## Youths in Cup Action

Not to be outdone by their seniors, the Youth Team have some exciting Cup ties coming up. On Wednesday 16 November Bristol City are at the County Ground when they face our lads in the second round of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup kicking off at 7.30pm. Then on Monday 28 November we travel to The Baseball Ground to play our Midland Youth Cup 2nd Round tie against Derby County. This game kicks off at 7.00pm.



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# MILLWALL



By **JOHN NOLAN**

**The Lions were smarting; without a win in ten games until on loan striker Richard Cadette charged through to slot the ball past Sheffield United goalkeeper Kelly in the dying seconds of last Saturday's First Division fixture. Millwall had won 2-1 - their first home win in the League since August!**

Cadette, anxious to secure a permanent transfer to The Den, hoped his contribution would be enough to settle the issue and manager Mick McCarthy has been in negotiation with Falkirk over the £125,000 deal this week.

It is an old football cliché of course to suggest that a team's position is not a true reflection of their actual ability. Yet in Millwall's case this is perfectly true.

Mick McCarthy has assembled together a collection of highly promising young players who, given time to settle and gain experience, could mature into a truly outstanding combination. They might not feature in the promotion stakes this season but give them a year, maybe two, and I believe you will see the Lions bear their claws.

In the meantime of course it is difficult to appease the home fans who after seeing their favourites reach the semi-final of the Play-Offs last season were genuinely expecting to be cheering an even more concerted push for the Premiership this year.

The campaign started well enough with a 3-1 home win over Southend United, a 1-1 draw at Sunderland and the 4-1 eclipse of their conquerors in that Play-Off, Derby County. Then it all went sour.

Bolton Wanderers beat them 1-0; it was goalless at Reading and 2-2 home to West Bromwich Albion. Even more heartache to come as another struggling side, Burnley, stole a 3-2 win at The Den and another three goals were conceded at Tranmere where they lost 3-1.



**Back row:** John Kerr, Mark Kennedy, Dave Mitchell, Jon Goodman, Greg Berry, Tony McCarthy, Kenny Cunningham, Clive Allen.

**Middle row:** Keith Johnstone (Physio), Ken Barry (Kit Manager), Keith Stevens, Pat Van Den Hauwe, Kasey Keller, Tim Carter, Richard Huxford, Dave Savage, Ian McDonald (Coach), Peter Melville (Physio).

**Front row:** Andy May, Andy Roberts, Mark Beard, Alex Rae, Ian Evans (First Team Coach), Mick McCarthy (Manager), Phil Barber, Jermaine Wright, Ian Dawes, Ben Thatcher.



# MILLWALL ABC



**MARK BEARD** - Full-back. Brought up through the ranks at the Den, Mark made his debut against Watford last season and made such an impression that he became an essential member of the squad. A right-sided player, who is strong in the tackle, he scored his first League goal in a 2-2 draw at Bristol City in November 1993. Born: London 8-10-74.

**RICHARD CADETTE** - Striker. Big strong attacker currently on a month's loan from Falkirk. Scored 27 goals for "The Bairns" last season, helping them win promotion. Started his career with Leyton Orient in 1984 and then scored 49 goals in 90 Fourth Division games for Southend United before being snapped up by Sheffield United in 1987. Born: Hammersmith 21-3-65.

**TIM CARTER** - Goalkeeper. Initially spent three months on loan from Hartlepool last season, as cover for Keller, before joining Millwall on free transfer in March 1994. Made two League appearances last season - winning the Man of the Match award v Bolton - and has had a few outings this term following the sending-off of the first choice custodian against Sunderland. Ironically, he was understudy to Tony Norman at Sunderland for the 1992 FA Cup Final. Born: Bristol 5-10-67.

**JAMES CONNOR** - Midfield. Another fine prospect from the junior ranks he has been given his chance in the first team this season after impressive performances in the Reserves. Had a spell on loan with Cobh Ramblers - the team from which Roy Keane (Manchester United) emerged in Cork - last season. Born: Middlesbrough 22-8-74.



**KENNY CUNNINGHAM** - Full-back. This young Dubliner has made the right-back birth his own after a fine season in 1993-94. Formerly with Tolka Rovers in the Republic of Ireland he has been capped by Eire at Under-21 and "B" levels. Comfortable on the ball his attacking sorties and excellent crosses make him a prized asset. Can also play in the centre of defence. Born: Dublin 28-6-71.

**IAN DAWES** - Full-back. A left sided player of considerable ability and consistency. A former England Schoolboy International, he started his career with QPR with whom he collected a Milk Cup runners-up medal against Oxford in 1986. Joined The Lions in 1988 for £150,000 and has been a model pro, though injuries have intervened. Born: Croydon 22-2-63.

**JON GOODMAN**

**JON GOODMAN** - Striker. Another player troubled by injury last season, Jon had no less than three separate operations. Joined Millwall for £30,000 from Bromley and was introduced to the first team alongside Teddy Sheringham. Has pace and passion and represented the Football League against the Italian Serie B eleven in 1993. Born: Walthamstow 2-7-71.



**KASEY KELLER**

**KASEY KELLER** - Goalkeeper. Many thought he should have been in America's World Cup team last summer but he never made the squad. That was their loss for Keller has proved himself a competent performer. Won the Millwall Player of the Year title in his first full season at The Den and made his 100th League appearance at Middlesbrough on October 1st, 1994. Born: Washington DC 29-11-69.

**MARK KENNEDY** - Forward. Became Millwall's fourth youngest debutant when he made a substitute appearance against Charlton at the age of 16 years 344 days, in April 1993. Scored 49 goals for the Reserve and Youth sides that season - a Millwall record - and netted over 30 in 1993-94 including 4 in 12 First Team appearances. Won a runners-up medal in the FA Youth Cup in 1994 and is an Eire Youth International. Born: Dublin 15-5-76.



# MILLWALL ABC



**ALEX RAE** - Midfield. Former Scottish Under-21 International he is an attacking midfielder with an eye for goal. The Club's top shot in 1993-94 with 13 League goals. Was a junior with Rangers then joined Falkirk where he played nearly a 100 Scottish League games. It cost Millwall £100,000 to bring him south and he made his 150th League appearance for The Lions v Burnley 14-9-94. Born: Glasgow 30-6-69.



**ANDY ROBERTS**

**ANDY ROBERTS** - Midfield. Was in Millwall's 1990 FA Youth Cup winning team and was already an established first-team regular at 18. A strong determined competitor with all round ability, Andy has performed at the back and in the centre of defence as well as midfield. Has been on the subs bench for the England Under-21 squad. Born: Dartford 20-3-74.

**DAVE SAVAGE** - Midfield. Signed in the summer of '94 from Irish club Longford Town after impressing as a trialist in the Reserves. Had previously had brief spells with Brighton and Raith Rovers. Has good skill and pace and great confidence in his ability. Made his debut against Southend United on August 13, 1994. Born: Dublin 30-7-73.

**BEN THATCHER** - Defender. Hails from Swindon and is a former pupil from the FA School of Excellence at Lilleshall. An England Youth International he was in Millwall's FA Youth Cup Final team against Arsenal (1994), and also played against the Gunners in the FA Cup that season. Made his League bow at Leicester as a centre-back but also plays left-back. Born: Swindon 30-11-75.

**PAT VAN DEN HAUWE** - Defender. Vastly experienced Welsh International. Commenced his career with Birmingham City before enjoying real success with Everton in the mid-eighties, then Tottenham Hotspur. Picked up a League Championship medal and has since added FA Cup and ECWC trophies to his collection. Arrived at Millwall in September 1993 where he operates in the centre of defence having played most of his career at fullback. Born: Dundermonde 16-12-60.

**TONY WITTER** - Central Defender. Currently on loan from QPR. Saw service with Yeading and Uxbridge before being spotted with Grays Athletic in the Vauxhall Opel League and signed by Crystal Palace in October 1990, for £10,000. Ten months later, having not played in the first team, he was transferred to QPR for £125,000, a strange signing as Rangers already had six experienced centrebacks. Joined Millwall on loan in November 1991 and did not get a game but made his League debut for Plymouth (on loan), in January 1992, vs Leicester and scored within two minutes! Born: London 12-8-65.

## PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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### LEAGUE MEETINGS (74)

Swindon Town 22 wins Millwall 29 wins 23 draws  
Swindon Town 83 goals Millwall 97 goals  
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1991/92	Home	3-1	W	League Cup 2
1991/92	Away	2-2	D	League Cup 2
1983/84	Away	3-2	W	FA Cup 2
1975/76	Away	1-0	W	League Cup 1
1975/76	Home	2-1	W	League Cup 1

### CUP MEETINGS (5)

Swindon Town 4 wins Millwall 0 wins 1 draw  
Swindon Town 11 goals Millwall 6 goals

### OVERALL MEETINGS (79)

Swindon Town 26 wins Millwall 29 wins 24 draws  
Swindon Town 94 goals Millwall 103 goals



# THE MAN IN CHARGE



Manager **Mick McCarthy**

**Was elevated to the status of player-manager in April 1992 after a successful run as caretaker boss following the departure of Bruce Rioch.**

Born and bred in Barnsley - he celebrated his 34th birthday on the 7th February - Mick joined the apprentice ranks of his local team upon leaving school and got his break in August 1977, when he made his debut in a 4-0 win over Rochdale.

Was an ever-present in his first two seasons with Barnsley and clocked up 272 League appearances in seven years at the club.

A steady consistent performer he attracted the attentions of Manchester City who invested £200,000 in him on December 14th 1983. Mick strengthened City's defence considerably, adding 140 League games to his total in four years at Maine Road; helping them win promotion from Division Two in 1985.

From Maine Road he moved to Celtic in 1987, helping them clinch the Premier League Championship and the Scottish Cup in 1988. In the summer of 1990 Mick moved into Europe with Olympique Lyon the French club.

A latecomer to International football, he was 25 when he made his debut for the Republic of Ireland against Poland in May 1983, but is the holder of a proud record as the Irish captain.

He skippered the side in the 1990 World Cup Finals in Italy and was in the side during its tour of the USA in 1992 but injury prevented him adding to his 57 full caps.

# UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT

Striker **David Mitchell**

**Needs no introduction to Swindon fans. His hustling, bustling, leadership of the line in a Swindon shirt will be remembered with sweet affection. For here is a player who does not know the meaning of the word "defeat".**

He has played at the highest level, for Australia in the World Cup, yet Dave's roots are Scottish. Born in Glasgow, in June 1962, David was six when his family emigrated to Adelaide.

By the time he was 17 he was a regular in the Adelaide City side and by the time he was 18 a full International with the Socceroos. Then played for Sydney City before paying his way to have trials with Rangers.

That was in 1983. He battled his way into the first team and won a Scottish League Cup winners' medal by helping Rangers defeat Dundee United 1-0 at Hampden. David then returned to Australia to join their World Cup squad and found himself back at Hampden taking on the Scots who eventually eliminated them.

With the Aussies out David returned to Europe and scored 20 goals for Eintracht Frankfurt in 54 games. He then hit 14 goals in 29 league and UEFA Cup games for Feyenoord, before going down under again to become part of Australia's Olympic challenge.

On returning to Europe once more he declined the overtures from Aberdeen to join Chelsea - who paid Feyenoord £175,000 - but it proved "a lost year" at Stamford Bridge, during which he had a spell on loan to Newcastle United.

In the summer of 1991 "Mitch" joined Swindon Town and climaxed his stay at the County Ground in that dramatic Play-Off Final against Leicester City at Wembley in 1993.



He joined Turkish side Altay Kuluba that summer but hardly had time to lace his boots, transferring to Millwall in October '93 and contributing 9 goals in their run to the Play-Off Semi-Finals last May.





# ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE

# PREVIEW

**Middlesbrough ended their sequence of four First Division games without a win by beating us 3-1 at Ayresome Park last Saturday. Things were looking hopeful for us when Jan Aage Fjortoft scored with a superb first-time shot on the turn to make it 1-1 but then we lost Shaun Taylor with a broken arm and that really proved costly.**

The three points put 'Boro level with Wolverhampton Wanderers who edged a point ahead on Sunday by drawing 1-1 at Stoke City. The championship favourites were behind, when Kevin Keen, who does not figure in Graham Taylor's plans, opened the scoring for his new club Stoke City. But the Wolves bounced back in the second-half.

They play hosts to Luton Town this afternoon and should collect another three points to maintain poll position. After good wins over Middlesbrough and Tranmere Rovers the Hatters crashed at home to Barnsley last week, and it was Luton old boy Danny Wilson who returned to end their run of three straight wins, by setting up the only goal for Andy Rammell.

'Boro, on the other hand, have a tricky trip to Grimsby Town. The Mariners played out a goalless draw at Southend and goalkeeper Paul Crichton will be looking for another clean-sheet this afternoon. Grimsby have scored 13 goals at home this season and will be all fired up for this one.

Reading boss Mark McGhee was seething over the sending-off of winger Michael Gilkes at West Brom. The mere fact that Gilkes grabbed Paul Raven by the throat seems to have been overlooked by the Reading chief who was no doubt disappointed by the 2-0 defeat.

The "Royals" are quite a cosmopolitan bunch these days. At the Hawthorns they included a Trinidadian, a Maltese, a German and a Pole. But they were without strikers Lovell and Quinn though and should be back to winning ways at home to lowly Burnley today.

Tranmere Rovers dropped their fist home points of the season last Saturday when they were held 1-1 by Port Vale. Scottish International Pat Nevin was on form but could not find the finish.

The Birkenhead club have today off but they are at Oldham tomorrow. An interesting fixture this for Joe Royle's team just don't seem to have taken off yet.

Nicky Banger, on loan from Southampton, rejected Oldham's initial pay-offer to make the move permanent when his loan expires this week, but further talks were scheduled.

Another of last season's Premiership sides in trouble is Sheffield United. A 2-1 defeat at Millwall really hurt particularly as the Lions' winner came in the final minute of the game. There have already been demonstrations at Bramall Lane and if Dave Bassett's side don't, this afternoon, overcome a Bristol City side that last weekend was lying fourth from bottom, there could be more fan participation.

A tough one this for the Blades for lowly as Russell Osman's team are, they are certainly no pushovers. They have won two and drawn one of their seven away games.

The Portsmouth vs Derby clash at Fratton Park tomorrow is an interesting one. Pompey boss Jim Smith was desperate for a result at Ashton Gate and looked like getting all three points until Jon Gittens conceded a penalty with a clumsy challenge on Junior Bent. Today they look to improve a home record which hardly does them justice against a Derby side that continues to disappoint.

The Rams manager Roy McFarland is under pressure, particularly as the club's benefactor, Lionel Pickering, has become Chairman. Derby failed to win a single League game in October and in seven away games this season they have scored just five goals and with both goalkeepers, Martin Taylor and Steve Sutton, injured the problems mount for Mr. McFarland.

Charlton Athletic, whose depleted selection forced a 2-2 draw at The Baseball Ground, are home to Bolton Wanderers today. This one looks like a draw.

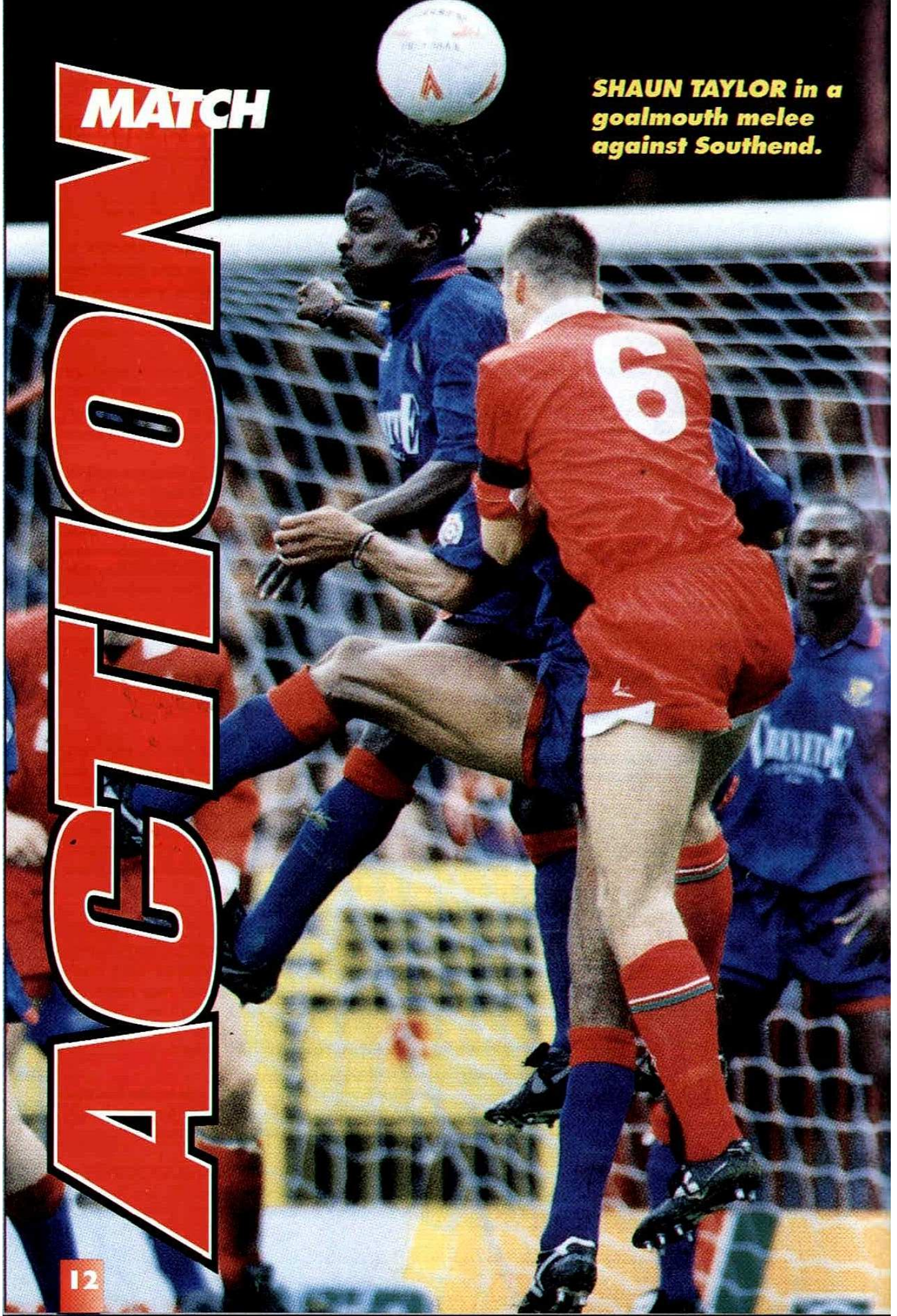
Could also be even at Barnsley, where Lou Macari's Stoke City are unlikely to be benevolent, and Vale Park where Southend are on view.



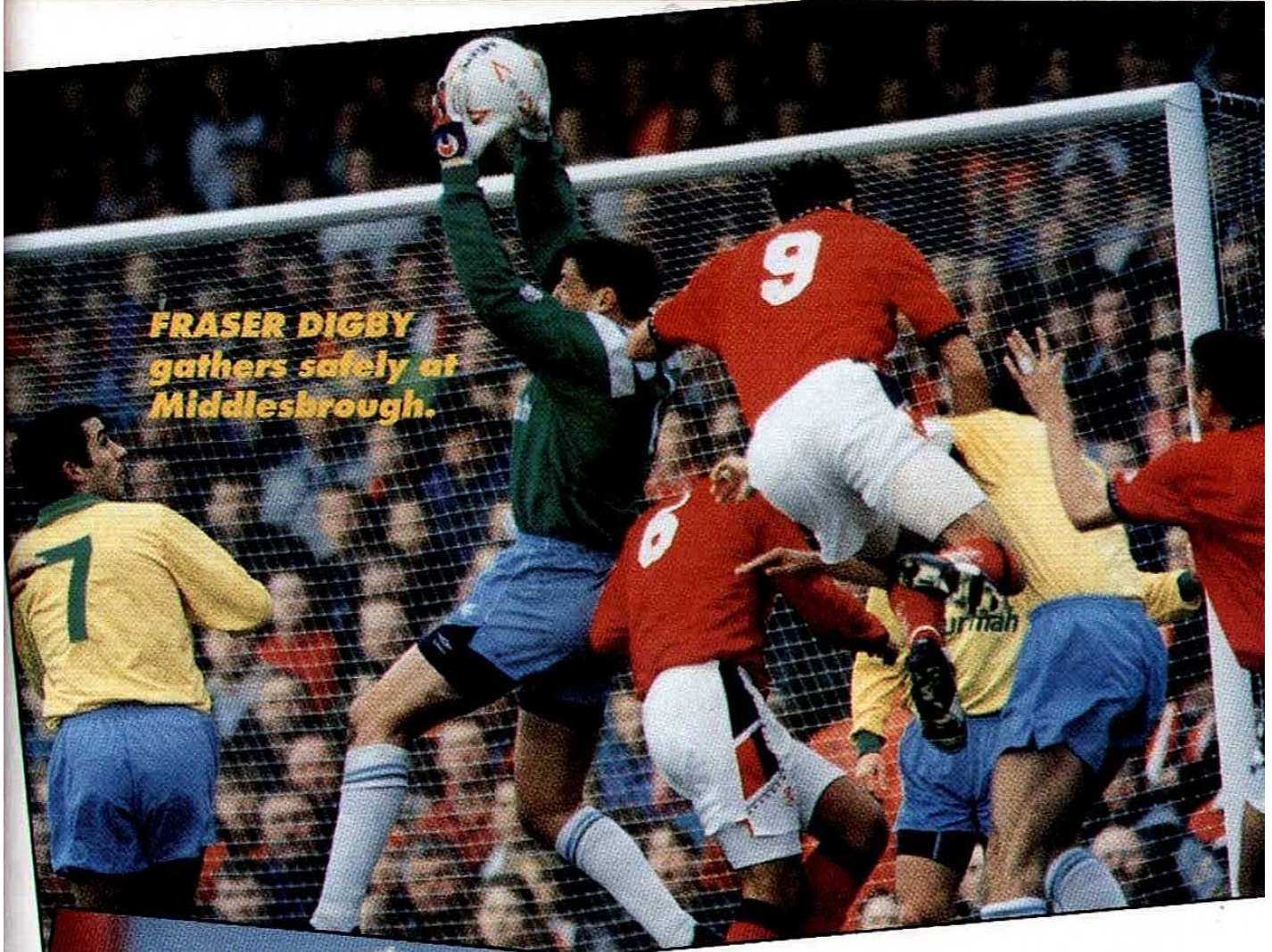
**MATCH**

**SHAUN TAYLOR** in a goalmouth melee against Southend.

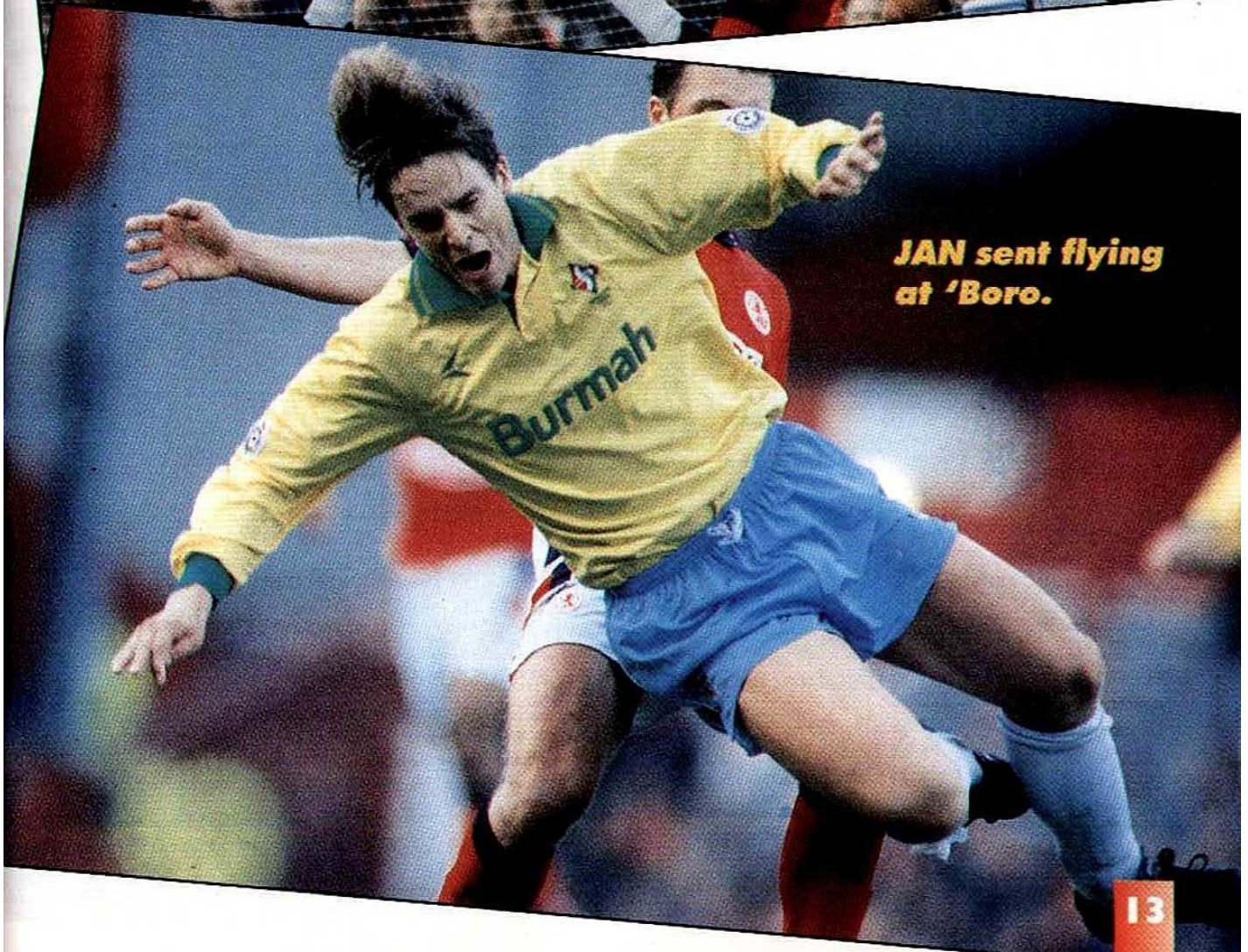
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# IN THE *With Jonathan Trigg* COMMUNITY



**A big welcome to Gorse Hill Junior School and Allington Special School from Chippenham who are among our guests seated in the Town End Stand for today's game. Shane and I hope that you all have an enjoyable afternoon with us.**

Last week saw the completion of our Soccer Courses over the half-term holiday. Two courses were held in the Swindon area with over 100 youngsters participating throughout the four days with the coaching aimed at enjoyment rather than excellence. More courses are planned for the Christmas holidays with 4 one day sessions being held in the County.

It is of paramount importance that application forms are returned as soon as is possible as numbers will be restricted in view of the fact that these Fun Days will be held at indoor venues.

Application forms are available from the Club Reception from 14 November or alternatively call us at The Community Office on Swindon (01793) 421303.

A series of regional 6-a-side tournaments are again being held for Primary Schools in Swindon. The tournaments form part of the national Refuge Assurance Competition which culminates in a Final at Wembley in April.

Last season our Swindon representatives Gorse Hill narrowly lost to Oxford in the regional finals who were themselves eventually beaten at Wembley by the winning school from Manchester.

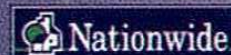
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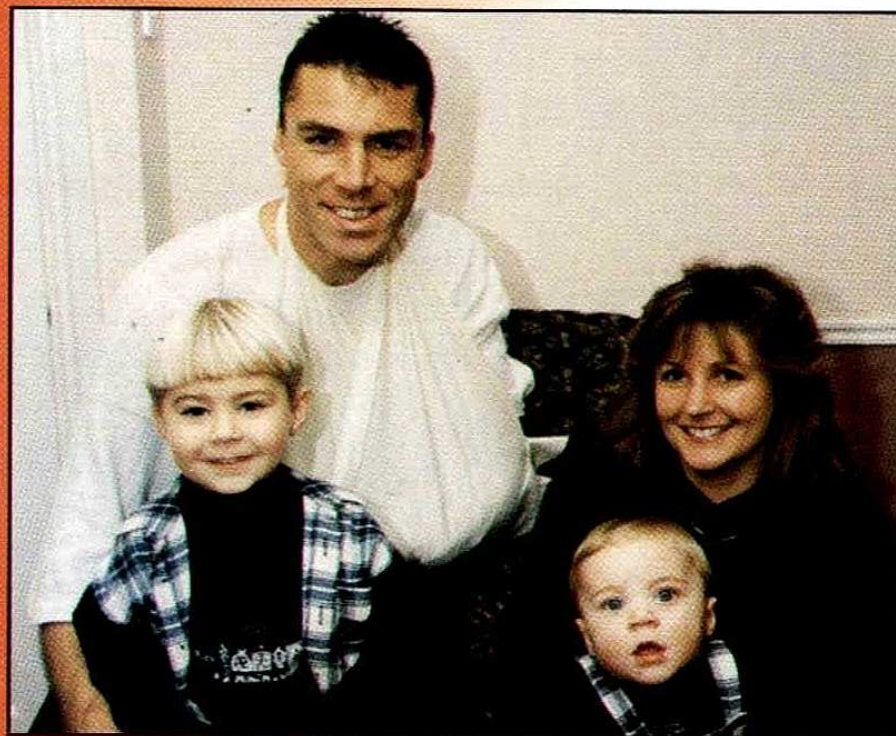


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# AT HOME *With* **SHAUN**



**Shaun recovering at home after his accident last week at Middlesbrough with wife Jackie and sons Lloyd (3) and Thomas (six months)**

**Like the man himself, Shaun's pad is down to earth; your standard family home with two point something kids and a garden.**

"We have an average sized garden," says Shaun, "Just manageable. I cut the grass, Jackie does the borders. But we back onto an open field with a playground at the top, which is nice for the children."

The children, who life centres on, are three year old Lloyd and six month old Thomas, and when he is around Shaun tries to ease the pressure on Jackie as much as he can by taking charge of them for a while. "I do enjoy bath time," laughs Shaun.

As you enter the hall there is no indication to suggest this is the home of a top professional sportsman. There are a few trophies to be seen in the utility room and Lloyd has pictures of his dad in action on his bedroom wall. But apart from that and a nicely framed cartoon characterisation on the kitchen wall there is no other reference to Shaun's high-profile occupation.

Home, as for most players, is a retreat from which Shaun can escape the glare of public scrutiny or praise, switch off from the aftermath of the last result be it good or bad.

Shaun is one of those dedicated professionals, who literally eats, drinks and sleeps football. He candidly admits: "Football is one of the top priorities of my life

and I worry a lot about the game, the team's performances and my own.

"I have mellowed a little though I think. I don't take defeat to heart so much. I used to get very upset, annoyed with myself, and worried about my own game. I used to drive the wife mad.

"You know when you have played badly but of course so too does everyone else so there is really no escape. You can't help but pick up a paper and read about it. Two years' ago it was great reading on a Sunday morning. Last year it was all bad reviews. It is just something we have to live with and cope with.

"Jackie comes to home matches with the children but she is not what you would call an expert on the game. We will talk about what happened a little when we get home but generally she steers me away from talking football which is good.

"When we can we try to go out for a meal on a Saturday night with a few friends. Usually Paul Bodin, Martin Ling, and their wives come and we have some friends from London who also join us occasionally. Italian, Chinese, Indian it doesn't really matter. We do like our food...This is the ideal Saturday night out after a good win in the afternoon!

"We try to get out as a family for a breath of air on a Sunday. This normally is a trip to one of the local parks which are quite pleasant.



# SHAUN TAYLOR

By COLIN BENSON

"On a normal day it is not until after eight o'clock in the evening that we can relax together. The kids are in bed by then and we can watch a bit of television. I must admit I am a TV addict and am always being criticised about it by the wife.

"I don't know what it is but as soon as I get through the front door I make a bee-line for the set and switch on. Just to see what is showing really. Jackie insists it is a bad habit and she is right. We have three sets in the house. In the lounge, the utility room and the bedroom.

"We pretty much like the same sort of programmes; comedy such as Absolutely Fabulous; some of the soaps like Coronation Street and so on. And Jackie loves thrillers. The only real arguments centre on football when it is shown on Sunday, Monday and midweek.

"Sometimes I think I will be fair and only watch one of the games but invariably I end up watching them all and the Endsleigh League reviews as well. Jackie has got so fed up she now goes out to a keep-fit class on a Monday night to get away from it all."

Football is much like a drug to Shaun. He just can't get enough of it and signing a new two and a half year contract last week means that he will be enjoying the best part of his career here at Swindon.

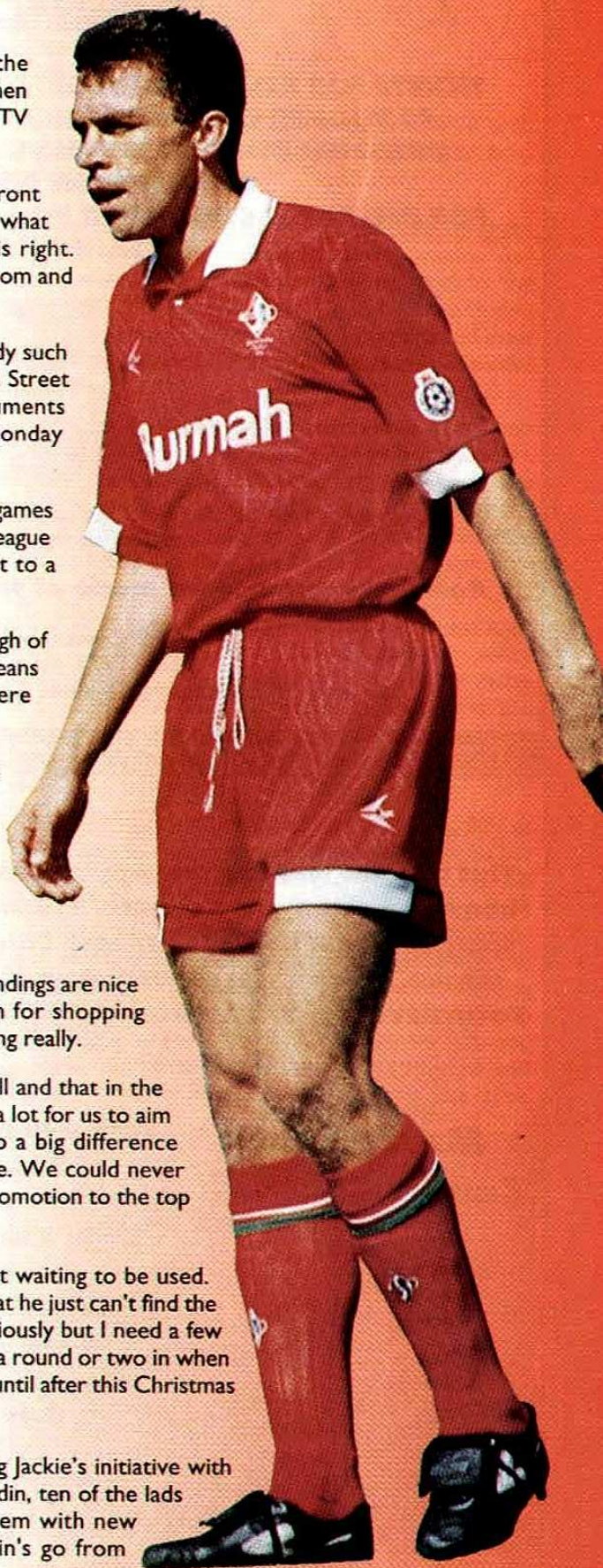
"Yes, I'm very happy here," he says. "We are a good First Division side and I want to help prove this to everyone. The club has been good to me and I think it deserves a bit of loyalty from its players. There were a few things I was not happy about earlier in the season but it has all been straightened out now and hopefully we can achieve more success as a team.

"Swindon is also a good place for young families. The surroundings are nice and Oxford, Bath and Cheltenham, are within easy reach for shopping trips. Even London is not that far away. So we have everything really.

"There is a big gulf of course between First Division football and that in the Premiership but there is still a lot of quality at this level and a lot for us to aim for. I think it would also be true to say that there is also a big difference between the majority of Premiership clubs and the top elite. We could never match them but there is no reason why we shouldn't win promotion to the top division again and maintain that status."

Talking of clubs, there is a bag of them in Shaun's boot just waiting to be used. Jackie bought them for him last Christmas but Shaun sighs that he just can't find the time to indulge. He claims: "I would love to take golf up seriously but I need a few lessons. My handicap is twenty and at the moment I only get a round or two in when we go away. Sadly the clubs will now have to stay in the bag until after this Christmas following my injury at Middlesbrough last Saturday.

Mind you he will have to shift them soon because following Jackie's initiative with Fish Brothers, vigorously followed up by Shaun and Paul Bodin, ten of the lads are being sponsored by the garage who are supplying them with new Peugeot cars. A little French dressing to help the Robin's go from strength to strength maybe.







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# BENNO

**Were you incensed, as I was, when UEFA ruled that our Coca-Cola Cup winners will not be allowed automatic entry into the UEFA Cup competition unless our top national league is reduced to eighteen clubs?**

How dare they. What right do the European body have to dictate how we reward our own clubs? It smacks of the kind of Euro politics that gave Mr. Portillo, the Employment Secretary, ammunition for a rousing speech at the Tory Conference in Bournemouth. A sort of Euro-sausage syndrome with European bureaucrats dictating to us what we can and can't do.

But is it so? Or is there a more sinister aspect to this latest development in football politics?

There is a suspicion that this is all linked to the Football Association's latest move to drive a stake through the heart of The Football League, with a suggestion that the UEFA mandate might well be Lancaster Gate inspired.

Since the Football League came into being in 1888 there has always been a divide between it and the Football Association. While the Association was organised and run by the old school tie, maintaining "upright" amateur principles, the League was seen as fostering the rights of the artisans and working folk and that most evil of all developments, the introduction of the professional player.

Over a hundred years on nothing much has changed. It is still them and us when it comes to football politics between the two organisations. The most puzzling aspect though is the fact that most League club representatives are also on FA Councils of one sort or another as well yet they seem to don different hats when they get into the council chambers.

The FA achieved their greatest success in 1992 when they led the breakaway from the Football League to form The Premiership. Now there is talk to make it two divisions and thus dilute the Football League even further.

I think it is a sad and most unnecessary chapter in our great footballing heritage.

But it did have the backing of First Division clubs who at an informal meeting prior to 1992, at which the Premier League was the subject, unofficially voted 14-6, with two abstentions, in favour of going with the big clubs under the FA umbrella. Whether that feeling still exists I don't know.

It seems to me quite against the logic of forming the Premiership to want to extend it to two divisions. As I understood it it was the greed of the top six clubs, the Liverpool's, Manchester United's and Arsenal's that was the inspiration. They reckoned they created most interest and wanted not the biggest slice of the cake but all of it.

No one can deny they have not achieved that. Their television deal alone nets them £304 million and there has been increased sponsorship. Yet this financial pie only has to be cut into 22 pieces - 20 next year - instead of into 92. But if they go ahead with embracing a second division they are likely to cut their take in half.

Still, after 35 years in football I should know that logic hardly ever features in the game's policy decisions...Still I believe the League does have cause for concern that one of its major competitions, the League Cup, is being spiked by the Premiership who want that extra UEFA Cup place as reward for their own clubs finishing high in that competition.

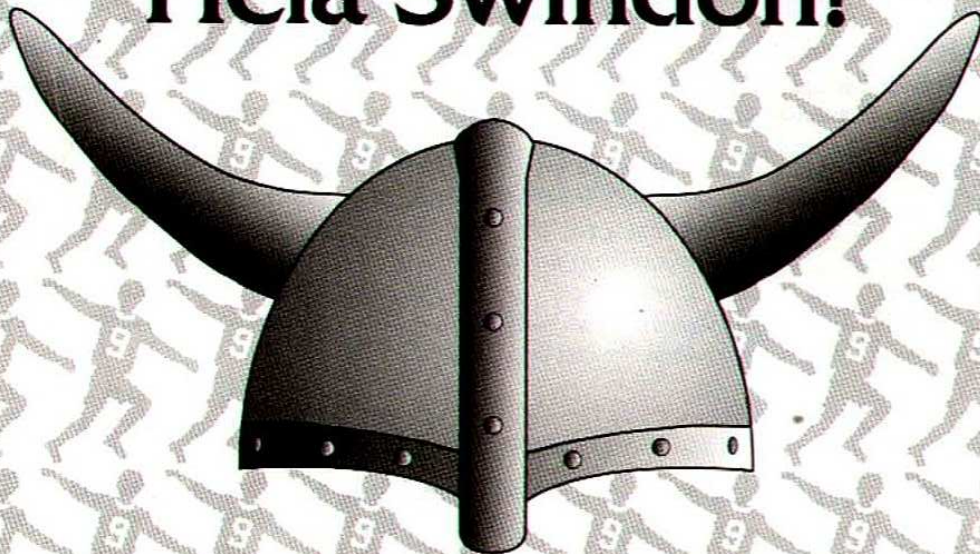
Former Town boss Ossie Ardiles attacking policy at Tottenham Hotspur may have wowed the crowds but unfortunately defensive shortcomings led to his downfall when Spurs supremo Alan Sugar brought Ardiles 17 month reign to an end earlier this week. Spurs only narrowly avoided relegation last season and are handicapped by the six points to be deducted at the end of the campaign. Ossie spent £12.5m on top class players Jurgen Klinsmann, Illie Dumitrescu and Gica Popescu but Spurs have still struggled and another chapter of Ardiles career has come to a close.



**Ossie Ardiles - Time ran out.**



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# MARKETING

# NEWS

With

Phil Alexander

**A warm welcome to this afternoon's fixture from the Marketing Department.**

## CHAPMAN WARREN

We are delighted to welcome back 'Chapman Warren' to this afternoon's fixture as Matchday Sponsors. Chapman Warren is one of the leading firms of Town Planning and Development Consultants in Britain with various regional offices, including their headquarters near to Swindon, at Wroughton. The partners in the firm have been heavily involved in Swindon's growth at both Westlea Down and the Haydon sector, and the firm advises many of Britain's leading companies, industries and developers, as well as government departments and local authorities. Ken Chapman's (Managing Partner) guests today are from the house building industry, with many of the country's leading house builders being represented.

## FREE SNICKERS BAR AT TODAY'S GAME

Snickers continue to reinforce their commitment to football at a local level by supporting Swindon Town FC on a number of projects. When you purchase a family bag of either Maltesers, M&M's, Opal Fruits or Minstrels from any of the kiosks at today's game, you will receive a Snickers bar free! Last month Snickers Teamwork '95 was launched by Terry Venables. This is an exciting initiative which enables youth teams to obtain high quality football equipment free, simply by collecting Snickers wrappers. If you run a youth team and have not received details please contact:

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## MAN OF THE MATCH

I would like to take this opportunity to thank The Biplob Tandoori Restaurant in Wood Street for Sponsoring the Matchday sponsors 'Man of the Match Award' of a meal for two in their restaurant. Congratulations to Joey Beauchamp who was voted for by our Match Sponsors Multi-Agg at the Wolverhampton Wanderers match and Jan Aage Fjortoft at the Southend United match.

## TODAY'S LUCKY MASCOTS



Anthony Godsell from Ramleaze, Shaw in Swindon is six years old and attends Saltway School. His hobbies include, football, swimming and riding his bicycle. His favourite team is of course Swindon with his idol being Jan Aage Fjortoft.



Alexander Short from Repton in Derbyshire will be celebrating his 12th birthday next Saturday, so Happy Birthday from all at Swindon Town. Alexander currently attends Abbot Beyne School in Burton-on-Trent and enjoys football, cricket, cycling and model making. His favourite players are Jan Aage Fjortoft and Keith Scott.



Kevin Campbell aged 10 is now living in a small village just on the outskirts of Lincoln after moving to England from Cyprus. He currently attends Tedder Primary School in Lincoln and enjoys football, swimming and computers. Kevin was also the club mascot on our pre-season friendly tour of Cyprus. His favourite players are Jan Aage Fjortoft and Paul Bodin.

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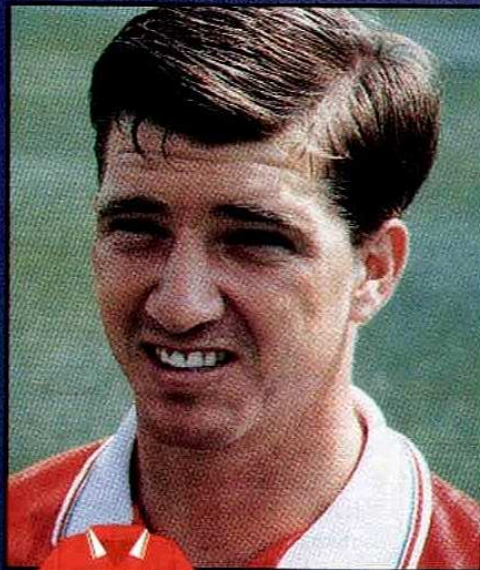
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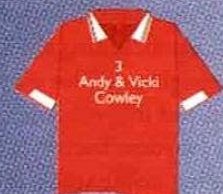
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# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

**Paul Roberts**

By **PAUL PLOWMAN**

Having been discarded by Colchester following a League career spanning over 430 appearances, Paul Roberts was contemplating his future whilst on holiday in Spain. A telephone call set him on the way to his first taste of management - in the Diadora Premier League.

Paul joined Millwall at fifteen and captained the side which won the F.A. Youth Cup in 1978/79. He signed professional forms on his 17th birthday and made his League debut against Oldham soon afterwards.

He was a regular at the Den for four seasons before a disagreement with manager George Graham led to him moving across London to join Brentford in September 1983. After a two month period on loan at Griffin Park, the transfer was completed.

Two years later, Paul was on his way to Swindon. He was actually playing in Finland when he heard that Lou Macari was looking for a left-back. He successfully came through a trial and made his Town debut in a Milk Cup tie at Sunderland in September 1985. But Paul did not wear the number three shirt that night - it went to former colleague at Millwall, Nicky Coleman, who was also making his debut on loan from the Londoners.

When Mr Macari was unable to secure the services of Coleman after a three-month period, Paul was duly given his chance and was an integral part of the Town's Fourth Division championship winning squad.

Paul failed to get a contract, however, and in the following summer moved on to Southend, who he also helped to promotion. A year later he packed his bags for Aldershot, before becoming one of the many League players to take their skills to the United States. From Tampa Bay Rowdies Paul came back to the more humble surroundings of St James' Park, Exeter, in December 1988, but after just three games rejoined David Webb at Southend.

Paul was at Roots Hall for two seasons before returning to the Docklands to help Fisher Athletic, then in the Vauxhall Conference. Their ambitious plans to gain Football League status unfortunately collapsed, but by that time Paul was already back there, signing for Colchester United in August 1992.

And two months later, after some 380 League appearances, Paul scored his first ever goal in that competition! Curiously, his only previous senior goals - one in the F.A. Cup and one in the Freight Rover Trophy - had come during his short stay at Brentford.

After injury problems, Paul was released once again and is now player-manager of Chesham United. Former Chelsea star Tommy Langley is player-coach there and other ex-professionals include Alan Dickens and 'Keeper John Granville, who also coaches here at the County Ground.

"They have had some good seasons here", said Paul "and they have set high standards for me, but hopefully we can keep it going". And Chesham is a name that we may soon hear something of, as they have been drawn at home to Bashley in the First Round of the F.A. Cup and a place amongst the 'big boys' is not a million miles away.



**Paul Roberts**

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# RESERVES

# REVIEW

With

Ross MacLaren



## AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION DIVISION I

Tue 16 Aug	Crystal Palace	A	2-1
Wed 31 Aug	Watford	A	0-1
Sat 03 Sep	Arsenal	A	0-0
Wed 14 Sep	Norwich City	A	0-7
Wed 28 Sep	BRIGHTON & H.A.	H	7-3
Mon 03 Oct	Bristol City	A	1-8
Mon 10 Oct	IPSWICH TOWN	H	1-1
Mon 17 Oct	Bristol Rovers	A	1-0
Mon 24 Oct	NORWICH CITY	H	2-2
Mon 31 Oct	LUTON TOWN	H	1-2
Wed 02 Nov	OXFORD UNITED	H	
Fei 11 Nov	CRYSTAL PALACE	H	
Wed 23 Nov	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	
Wed 07 Dec	BRISTOL ROVERS	H	
Wed 14 Dec	Ipswich Town	A	
Tue 20 Dec	MILLWALL	H	
Wed 04 Jan	PORTSMOUTH	H	
Wed 11 Jan	WIMBLEDON	H	
Wed 18 Jan	Q.P.R.	H	
Wed 25 Jan	WATFORD	H	
Wed 01 Feb	CHELSEA	H	
Tue 07 Feb	Q.P.R.	A	
Wed 15 Feb	Oxford United	A	
Wed 22 Feb	Wimbledon	A	
Mon 27 Feb	Chelsea	A	
Mon 06 Mar	Millwall	A	
Mon 13 Mar	Charlton Athletic	A	
Wed 15 Mar	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H	
Tue 21 Mar	SOUTHAMPTON	H	
Wed 29 Mar	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H	
Mon 03 Apr	Portsmouth	A	
Wed 12 Apr	Southampton	A	
Tue 18 Apr	West Ham United	A	
Wed 26 Apr	ARSENAL	H	
Tue 02 May	Tottenham Hotspur	A	
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All home games are played at The County Ground, Swindon and kick-off at 7.30pm.

## AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION DIVISION I AS AT 29 OCTOBER 1994

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Norwich City	12	7	4	1	36	17	25
Charlton Athletic	12	8	1	3	20	11	25
Southampton	12	7	2	3	30	19	23
Crystal Palace	11	6	3	2	19	8	21
Tottenham Hotspur	11	6	-2	3	24	11	20
Arsenal	12	4	6	2	18	17	18
Queens Park Rangers	11	5	2	4	27	14	17
Chelsea	11	4	6	2	21	14	17
West Ham United	11	5	2	4	16	14	17
Luton Town	11	5	2	4	17	19	17
Watford	11	4	1	6	14	13	13
Bristol City	10	3	3	4	21	21	12
Millwall	11	3	3	5	15	20	12
Swindon Town	9	3	3	3	14	23	12
Bristol Rovers	11	3	3	5	12	24	12
Wimbledon	11	2	4	5	9	17	10
Ipswich Town	11	1	6	4	13	17	9
Oxford United	11	2	2	7	15	21	8
Brighton & Hove Albion	10	2	2	6	18	33	6
Portsmouth	13	1	4	8	8	23	7

**We won all three points in the local derby game against Bristol Rovers at Yate Town FC in the Avon Insurance Combination by virtue of a great second half goal from Andy Mutch.**

We played well in stages but after the break we stepped up the pace and passed the ball well.

Edwin Murray played sweeper throughout and we had the pace at the back to stop the Rovers front men causing too many problems and held on to get a good win.

Our next game at home to leaders Norwich City was a great game to watch. We found ourselves two goals down at half-time although we had some great chances with Austin Berkley making runs from midfield down the left. Chris Hamon was unlucky not to score but as the game went on Norwich eventually took the lead through bad defending and increased the scoreline before the break.

In the second half we came back into the game when Neil Webb chipped the ball to Austin Berkley who was able to head it down for Chris Hamon to beat the Canary keeper with a volley.

Not giving up we went looking for an equaliser and it duly came from the penalty spot after some good work again from Chris Hamon who ran away from the Norwich defence but was tackled from behind. He took the resulting penalty to net the equaliser.

We had a good chance to win the game late on when Marcus Phillips passed to James Fraser who headed towards goal but City keeper Andy Marshall brought off a blinding save to leave the score at 2-2.

### Results:

**Avon Insurance Combination  
Bristol Rovers 0 Swindon Town 1**

**Scorer:** Mutch

**Team:** Hammond, James, Eley, Berkley, Reeves, Murray, Worrall, Phillips, Mutch, Hamon, Horlock. **Subs:** Thorne, Laidlaw.

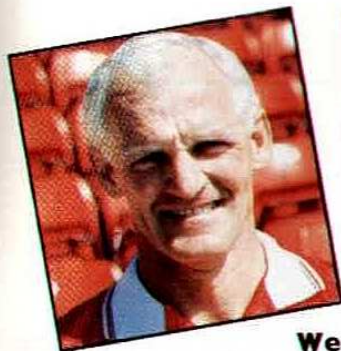
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**Scorer:** Hamon (2)

**Team:** Hammond, James, Eley, Berkley, Kilcline, Murray, Reeves, Phillips, Hamon, Webb, Fraser. **Subs:** Thorne, Worrall.







# YOUTH TEAM IN FOCUS

With **John Trollope**

**We started our Midland Youth Cup campaign at The County Ground against Nottingham Forest winning by the only goal of the game.**

In an even first half both sides created reasonable openings. Our chances were better, especially from corners which seemed to cause Forest a lot of problems. Chris Hamblin in goal took a nasty knock to the head and although continuing after treatment was not able to continue after the break.

We took control in the second half playing some of the best football so far this season. Forest were limited to only a few attacks but for all the possession could not get the final touch. The winning goal came from a corner taken by Shaun Wimble with the ball dropping to Jonathan Holloway who scored from close range with a well hit volley to give us an away trip to play Derby County at The Baseball Ground in the second round.

The South East Counties League game at Wycombe Wanderers could not have been more different. We never looked like matching the form shown a few days earlier, making hard work of the one-nil victory. Our passing was never early or simple enough and we wasted good possession by not working hard enough when defending allowed Wycombe more joy than they deserved. The only goal was in keeping with the rest of the game with Mark Jordan's cross somehow dropping over the keeper's head into the far corner.

## Results:

**Midland Youth Cup 1st Round  
Swindon Town 1 Nottingham Forest 0**

**Scorer:** Holloway

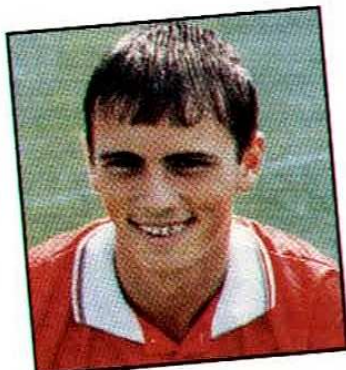
**Team:** Hamblin, Jordan, Souter, Holloway, Thorne, McCluskey, Harvey Medcroft, Fraser, Laidlaw, Wimble. **Subs:** Pearce, Thomas, Mildenhall.

**South East Counties League  
Wycombe Wanderers 0 Swindon Town 1**

**Scorer:** Jordan

**Team:** Mildenhall, Jordan, Souter, Holloway, Thorne, McCluskey, Harvey, Medcroft, Fraser, Laidlaw, Wimble. **Subs:** Thomas, Pearce.

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WIMBLE**



## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION 2

Sat 13 Aug	Oxford United	A	2-3
Sat 20 Aug	BRISTOL ROVERS	H	5-2
Sat 27 Aug	Colchester United	A	2-3
Sat 03 Sep	WIMBLEDON	H	1-5
Sat 10 Sep	Brentford	A	3-1
Mon 12 Sep	Ipswich Town (S.J.F.C. 1)	A	1-0
Sat 17 Sep	Wimbledon (LC 1)	A	1-1
Sat 24 Sep	WIMBLEDON (LC 1R)	H	0-2
Sat 08 Oct	AFC Bournemouth	A	1-2
Sat 15 Oct	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H	3-0
Tue 18 Oct	NOTTM. FOREST (MYC 1)	H	1-0
Sat 22 Oct	Wycombe Wanderers	A	1-0
Sat 29 Oct	BRENTFORD	H	3-0
Sat 05 Nov	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	
Sat 12 Nov	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	
Wed 16 Nov	BRISTOL CITY (S.J.F.C. 2)	H	
Sat 19 Nov	LUTON TOWN	H	
Sat 26 Nov	BRIGHTON & H.A.	H	
Mon 28 Nov	Derby County (MYC 2)	A	
Sat 03 Dec	Reading	A	
Sat 10 Dec	SOUTHAMPTON	H	
Sat 17 Dec	Southampton	A	
Sat 31 Dec	OXFORD UNITED	H	
Sat 07 Jan	Bristol Rovers	A	
Sat 14 Jan	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	
Sat 21 Jan	Wimbledon	A	
Sat 04 Feb	Bristol City	A	
Sat 18 Feb	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	
Sat 25 Feb	Tottenham Hotspur	A	
Sat 04 Mar	CRYSTAL PALACE	H	
Sat 25 Mar	Luton Town	A	
Sat 01 Apr	READING	H	
TBA	BRISTOL CITY	H	
TBA	Crystal Palace	A	

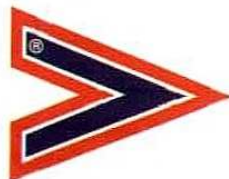
All home games are played at The Allied Dunbar Training Centre, Wanborough, and kick-off at 11.00am

## SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION 2 AS AT 30 OCTOBER 1994

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Wimbledon	8	7	1	0	41	11	15
Crystal Palace	9	7	1	1	21	8	15
Oxford United	10	6	2	2	23	11	14
Tottenham Hotspur	10	5	1	4	22	14	11
Luton Town	9	5	0	4	26	15	10
Bristol City	8	4	2	2	17	8	10
Swindon Town	9	5	0	4	21	16	10
Southampton	10	2	5	3	13	13	9
Colchester United	10	4	1	5	14	25	9
Reading	10	4	1	5	13	25	9
Brighton & Hove Alb.	8	3	2	3	16	23	8
Brentford	9	2	2	5	9	15	6
AFC Bournemouth	9	1	3	5	9	28	5
Bristol Rovers	9	0	4	5	11	24	4
Wycombe Wanderers	10	0	3	7	8	28	3



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# MY *With* MVIEW

## STADIUM MANAGER MIKE HUGHES TALKS TO MARK SHANAHAN



**I'm in my 11th season with the club, and the job of Stadium Manager has changed out of all recognition from what it was a decade ago. Originally, I joined the club to look after the maintenance side, but more recently I've become responsible for ground safety and security too - including match days which are, of course, my busiest.**

Both the stadium and the crowds have changed greatly too since I've been here. In the Fourth Division days, the crowds were down around the 3,500 mark, and, prior to Heysel, Bradford, and most significantly, Hillsborough, ground and matchday safety had a much lower priority in most club's outlooks. You just have to look at the stewarding system we had then, and compare it to what happens now to see the difference.

Before Hillsborough, stewards were volunteers. They were mainly long-serving fans, with a fair sprinkling of pensioners among them. These days we employ an outside company; all the stewards are paid, and we train them in co-operation with both the Police and the Fire Brigade. They are far more professional in their attitude, and actually save us a good deal of money as compared for paying for a large Police presence which was the norm in the past.

The onus for matchday safety and security is now firmly on the clubs. What used to be known as the

Police Control Room is now the Club Control Room, we employ an ex-Police officer, and most of the other people in the Control Room are club employees rather than Police as well. Of course there is a Police Match Commander, but he and his officers now have a much lower profile.

That was summed up well after our recent game with Grimsby when we held an evacuation exercise from the Intel Stand. It worked very well, we ran it, and the Police remained in the background.

The Intel Stand has made life easier since, with the old stand, if something was going to go wrong on a match day it would almost certainly happen there. We had a few late nights getting the new stand ready just prior to the start of the season, but I'm sure everyone would agree that the effort was well worth while. It was great to see it full for the Wolves and Reading games, and I hope success on the field will see it full many more times this season.

Putting seating on the Stratton Bank was a late decision, but another one that's worked out pretty well. We'd hoped for an extension to allow us to keep the terracing until the end of this season when redevelopment is due to begin anyway, but that wasn't to be. So, rather than have a three-sided stadium and much-reduced capacity, we opted to put the seating in.

From my point of view, matchdays haven't been a problem this season. Last year in the Premiership we showed that even though we are a small club, we're well equipped to deal with big matches. Hosting so many was a great experience, and one I'm keen to repeat soon.

Of course I can't afford to be complacent on any aspect of ground safety or security. You can never say that another Hillsborough isn't going to happen again, though with more ground improvements, the risks are being reduced. I'm now Chairman of the South West Region of the Safety Officers Association, and we meet regularly to share our ideas on how we can make grounds safer and matchdays an even better experience for supporters. We've had to come to terms with a lot of new legislation, but if it makes watching football a safer experience, it's up to us to implement it effectively.



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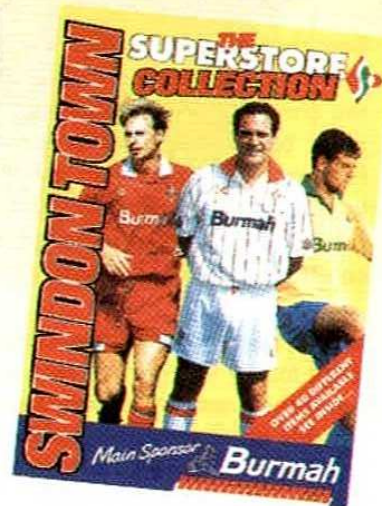
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**Malmesbury: 12.30**

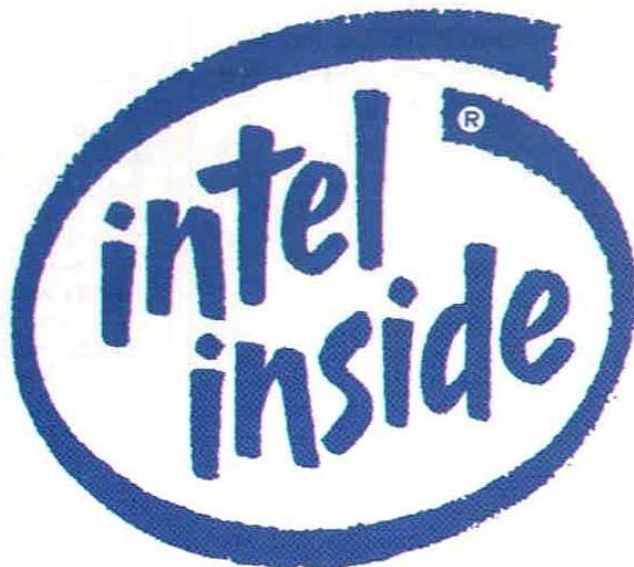
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# SWINDON TOWN

## ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE DIVISION ONE AS AT 02 NOVEMBER 1994

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Wolverhampton W.	15	6	1	0	12	5	3	2	2	14	10	31
Middlesbrough	15	6	1	1	15	6	3	2	2	7	8	30
Tranmere Rovers	15	7	1	0	23	9	1	2	4	4	10	27
Reading	14	4	2	1	8	2	3	1	3	9	8	24
Bolton Wanderers	15	5	2	1	15	5	1	3	3	11	12	23
Southend United	15	5	1	2	8	6	1	3	3	7	16	22
Charlton Athletic	15	3	2	2	12	9	2	4	2	14	15	21
Grimsby Town	15	4	2	1	13	6	1	4	5	9	11	21
Swindon Town	15	5	3	0	13	7	1	0	6	8	16	21
Sunderland	15	1	6	1	7	8	3	3	1	3	4	21
Barnsley	15	3	3	1	7	5	2	2	4	6	13	20
Luton Town	15	1	2	5	9	12	4	2	1	12	8	19
Stoke City	14	4	1	2	14	8	1	3	3	4	13	19
Oldham Athletic	15	4	1	2	13	9	1	2	3	8	13	18
Portsmouth	14	2	3	2	9	10	2	3	2	8	8	18
Watford	15	3	3	1	12	9	1	3	4	4	12	18
Burnley	15	1	5	2	8	9	3	1	3	6	9	18
Derby County	14	3	3	1	10	6	1	2	4	5	9	17
Sheffield United	14	3	2	2	10	7	1	2	4	5	7	16
Port Vale	14	3	1	3	5	9	1	3	3	7	11	16
Bristol City	15	2	3	3	5	10	2	1	4	7	8	16
Millwall	14	3	3	1	14	9	0	3	4	5	12	15
West Bromwich Alb.	14	3	1	2	5	5	0	3	5	6	16	13
Notts County	15	0	4	3	7	12	1	1	6	8	14	8

## FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES AS AT 02 NOVEMBER 1994

	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL	
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Joey Beauchamp	12(1)	1	6	1	18(1)	2
Austin Berkley	0(2)	0	2(1)	0	2(3)	0
Paul Bodin	14	5	5	0	19	5
Fraser Digby	15	0	5(1)	0	20(1)	0
Terry Fenwick	2	0	0	0	2	0
Jan Aage Fjortoft	15	10	4(1)	3	19(1)	13
Ty Gooden	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0
Chris Hamon	0	0	0(2)	0	0(2)	0
Nicky Hammond	0(15)	0	1(5)	0	1(20)	0
Kevin Horlock	10(5)	0	4(1)	0	14(6)	0
Brian Kilcline	3(3)	0	4(1)	0	7(4)	0
Stuart James	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0
Martin Ling	14(1)	1	5(1)	0	19(2)	1
Edwin Murray	0	0	0(2)	0	0(2)	0
Andy Mutch	4(9)	0	2(3)	2	6(12)	2
Luc Nijholt	15	0	6	0	21	0
Wayne O'Sullivan	5(3)	0	3(1)	0	8(4)	0
Marcus Phillips	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0
Mark Robinson	15	0	6	0	21	0
Keith Scott	12(3)	3	6	2	18(3)	5
Shaun Taylor	14	1	4	0	18	1
Andrew Thomson	12	0	5(1)	1	17(1)	1
Neil Webb	4(1)	0	0	0	4(1)	0
Adrian Whitbread	1	0	0	0	1	0
Steve White	0	0	0(1)	0	0(1)	0

## SWINDON TOWN FIXTURES 1994/95

DATE	OPPONENTS	FA
Sun 14 Aug	PORT VALE	H 2-0
Sat 20 Aug	Tranmere Rovers	A 2-3
Wed 24 Aug	ATALANTA A.I.C.(1)	H 0-2
Sat 27 Aug	WATFORD	H 1-0
Wed 31 Aug	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	H 0-0
Sat 03 Sep	Notts County	A 1-0
Tue 06 Sep	Venezia A.I.C. (2)	A 0-1
Sun 11 Sep	DERBY COUNTY	H 1-1
Wed 14 Sep	READING	H 1-0
Sat 17 Sep	Charlton Athletic	A 0-1
Wed 21 Sep	CHARLTON ATH. (C.C.C. 2-1)	H 1-3
Sat 24 Sep	GRIMSBY TOWN	H 3-2
Tue 27 Sep	Charlton Athletic (C.C.C. 2-2)	A 4-1*
Sat 01 Oct	Barnsley	A 1-2
Wed 05 Oct	LECCE A.I.C. (3)	H 3-1
Sat 08 Oct	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	H 3-2
Sat 15 Oct	Portsmouth	A 3-4
Sat 22 Oct	SOUTHEND UNITED	H 2-2
Wed 26 Oct	Brighton & H.A. (C.C.C. 3)	A 1-1
Sat 29 Oct	Middlesbrough	A 1-3
Tue 01 Nov	Bolton Wanderers	A 0-3
Sat 05 Nov	MILLWALL	H
Wed 09 Nov	BRIGHTON & H.A.(C.C.C. 3R)	H
Tue 15 Nov	Ascoli A.I.C. (4)	A
Sun 20 Nov	Bristol City	A
Wed 23 Nov	BURNLEY	H
Sat 26 Nov	LUTON TOWN	H
Wed 30 Nov	C.C.C. 4	
Sat 03 Dec	Southend United	A
Sat 10 Dec	TRANMERE ROVERS	H
Sat 17 Dec	Port Vale	A
Mon 26 Dec	Stoke City	A
Tue 27 Dec	SHEFFIELD UNITED	H
Sat 31 Dec	Oldham Athletic	A
Mon 02 Jan	SUNDERLAND	H
Sat 07 Jan	F.A.C. 3	
Sat 14 Jan	MIDDLESBROUGH	H
Sat 21 Jan	Millwall	A
Sat 28 Jan	F.A.C. 4	
Sat 04 Feb	Burnley	A
Sat 11 Feb	BOLTON WANDERERS	H
Sat 18 Feb	Luton Town	A
Wed 22 Feb	BRISTOL CITY	H
Sat 25 Feb	BARNSELY	H
Sat 04 Mar	Grimsby Town	A
Wed 08 Mar	NOTTS COUNTY	H
Sat 11 Mar	Watford	A
Sat 18 Mar	West Bromwich Albion	A
Wed 22 Mar	Derby County	A
Sat 25 Mar	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H
Sat 01 Apr	Reading	A
Sat 08 Apr	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H
Sat 15 Apr	Sheffield United	A
Mon 17 Apr	STOKE CITY	H
Sat 22 Apr	Sunderland	A
Sat 29 Apr	PORTSMOUTH	H
Sat 06 May	Wolverhampton W.	A

A.I.C. = Anglo Italian Cup C.C.C. = Coca-Cola Cup F.A.C. = F.A. Cup  
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# N STATISTICS



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10,549	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	WHITBREAD	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	LING	FENWICK	<b>FJORTOFT 1</b>	MUTCH	HORLOCK	<b>SCOTT 1</b>	O'SULLIVAN	HAMMOND
8,482	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	KILCLINE	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	LING	FENWICK	<b>FJORTOFT 2</b>	MUTCH	HORLOCK	SCOTT	BEAUCHAMP	HAMMOND
5,167	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	KILCLINE	NIHOLT	THOMSON	LING	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	SCOTT	HORLOCK	WHITE	MUTCH	HAMMOND
9,781	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	<b>LING 1</b>	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	SCOTT	O'SULLIVAN	HORLOCK	MUTCH	HAMMOND
11,555	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	LING	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	SCOTT	O'SULLIVAN	HORLOCK	MUTCH	HAMMOND
6,537	DIGBY	ROBINSON	HORLOCK	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	LING	BEAUCHAMP	<b>FJORTOFT 1</b>	SCOTT	O'SULLIVAN	MUTCH	KILCLINE	HAMMOND
1,250	HAMMOND	ROBINSON	HORLOCK	KILCLINE	NIHOLT	THOMSON	LING	BEAUCHAMP	MUTCH	BERKLEY	O'SULLIVAN	HAMON	MURRAY	DIGBY
9,043	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	LING	BEAUCHAMP	<b>FJORTOFT 1</b>	SCOTT	HORLOCK	MUTCH	O'SULLIVAN	HAMMOND
11,551	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	O'SULLIVAN	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	LING	HORLOCK	<b>SCOTT 1</b>	KILCLINE	HAMMOND
9,794	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	O'SULLIVAN	SCOTT	FJORTOFT	LING	HORLOCK	KILCLINE	BERKLEY	HAMMOND
4,932	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	KILCLINE	O'SULLIVAN	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	LING	<b>SCOTT 1</b>	BERKLEY	MURRAY	HAMMOND
8,758	DIGBY	ROBINSON	<b>BODIN 2</b>	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	HORLOCK	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	LING	<b>SCOTT 1</b>	O'SULLIVAN	MUTCH	HAMMOND
4,932	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	O'SULLIVAN	<b>BEAUCHAMP 1</b>	<b>FJORTOFT 3</b>	LING	SCOTT	HORLOCK	MUTCH	HAMMOND
3,911	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	<b>TAYLOR 1</b>	HORLOCK	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	LING	SCOTT	BERKLEY	MUTCH	HAMMOND
2,375	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	KILCLINE	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	HORLOCK	BEAUCHAMP	<b>MUTCH 2</b>	BERKLEY	<b>SCOTT 1</b>	FJORTOFT	THOMSON	HAMMOND
14,446	DIGBY	ROBINSON	<b>BODIN 3</b>	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	WEBB	<b>BEAUCHAMP 1</b>	FJORTOFT	LING	SCOTT	HORLOCK	MUTCH	HAMMOND
10,610	DIGBY	ROBINSON	<b>BODIN 1</b>	KILCLINE	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	WEBB	BEAUCHAMP	<b>FJORTOFT 2</b>	LING	SCOTT	HORLOCK	MUTCH	HAMMOND
9,909	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	WEBB	BEAUCHAMP	<b>FJORTOFT 2</b>	LING	SCOTT	HORLOCK	MUTCH	HAMMOND
11,382	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	<b>THOMSON 1</b>	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	HORLOCK	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	LING	SCOTT	KILCLINE	MUTCH	HAMMOND
17,328	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	TAYLOR	HORLOCK	BEAUCHAMP	<b>FJORTOFT 1</b>	LING	SCOTT	WEBB	MUTCH	HAMMOND
10,046	DIGBY	ROBINSON	BODIN	THOMSON	NIHOLT	KILCLINE	HORLOCK	BEAUCHAMP	FJORTOFT	WEBB	SCOTT	LING	MUTCH	HAMMOND

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# THE TEAM SHEET

## SWINDON TOWN

- 1 FRASER DIGBY.
- 2 MARK ROBINSON
- 3 PAUL BODIN
- 4 ANDREW THOMSON
- 5 LUC NIJHOLT
- 6 BRIAN KILCLINE
- 7 KEVIN HORLOCK
- 8 JOEY BEAUCHAMP
- 9 JAN AAGE FJORTOFT
- 10 NEIL WEBB
- 11 KEITH SCOTT
- 12 MARTIN LING
- 14 ANDY MUTCH
- 15 NICKY HAMMOND

### TEAM CHANGES



## MILLWALL

- 1 KASEY KELLER
- 2 KENNY CUNNINGHAM
- 3 MARK BEARD
- 4 ANDY ROBERTS
- 5 TONY WITTER
- 6 KEITH STEVENS
- 7 DAVID SAVAGE
- 8 IAN DAWES
- 9 RICHARD CADETTE
- 10 JON GOODMAN
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