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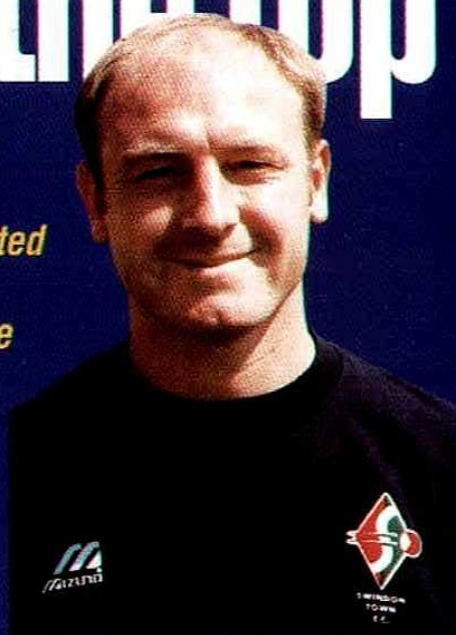
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# From the top

*With Manager  
Steve McMahon*

*I was bitterly disappointed with our display on Wednesday night. There we were with a couple of games in hand, and more importantly eight points clear of Crewe and we failed to ram home our advantage.*



We had enough chances against Brentford but I don't think we were consistent enough throughout the game. I think on the night we had only three, maybe four players, who could maybe be satisfied with their performances.

The others just did not do well at all and you can't have that. You must have at least seven or eight on their game. But we didn't see that on Wednesday, we had it the other way around.

I don't know about there being a reaction after the big glamour Cup tie with Southampton. We are professional and like to think we are not so affected but with all the press we attracted and everything else that surrounds such events you have to be careful because at the end of the day the League is our bread and butter.

The Cup games are fun to be involved in, particularly when you are up against Premiership opposition, but really they are just a special bonus for us. At the moment anyway. It is our League situation that is our main concern and I can't emphasise too much how important it is.

The results the day before had gone so well for us but that doesn't matter so much. As I said to the players before the game, it is no good saying the results have

gone well for us if we don't go out and get a result for ourselves.

We are making it hard for ourselves. We keep shooting ourselves in the foot. When we get an opportunity to stretch our lead we come up with performances such as that on Wednesday.

It is not a case of putting more pressure on us this afternoon. All games are important to win. We need to win all our games if we can. We just have to start again this afternoon. It is a matter of getting consistency. We can do it for fifteen minutes - we look brilliant. Then we stop doing the right things and give silly goals away, if we score two goals at home we should win the game.

We are drawing towards the latter part of the season now and we have to kick on and get ourselves together.

Enjoy the game

*Steve McMahon*



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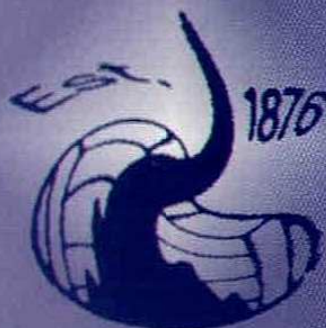
## WHO AM I ?

1. Born Stockholm, 5th April 1962.
2. Began playing career with Dundee Utd in 1981.
3. Joined Spurs in 1986 and played in 1987 FA Cup Final.
4. Returned to Scotland joining Rangers in September 1987.
5. Has won seven Scottish League Championships with the 'Light Blues'.

## ?? QUIZ ??

1. How much did Tottenham pay Barcelona for Gary Lineker in 1989?
2. Who was the first goalkeeper to captain a World Cup winning side?
3. Which team received FA Cup Winners medals by mistake after losing the Final?
4. How many goals did Andrei Kanchelskis score last season?
5. How many clubs has David Platt played for?
6. Who scored the winning goal in the European Cup Winners Cup Final last season?
7. Which Welsh forward joined Galatasary at the start of the season?
8. How much did Inter Milan pay for Igor Shalimov in 1992?
9. From which club did Ruud Gullit join AC Milan?
10. Which English side won the 1982 European Super Cup?

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## 'Norm & Ec'

by Norman Hood





# This is Swindon

With Club Secretary  
Jon Pollard

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*For this our fourth game in a fortnight we welcome to The County Ground this afternoon the players, officials and supporters of Bristol Rovers Football Club for today's Endsleigh League Division 2 local derby.*

## F.A. Cup

Our F.A. Cup 5th round replay with Southampton is being played at The Dell next Wednesday evening kicking off at 7:30pm.

If on Wednesday the score is level after ninety minutes, extra time of fifteen minutes each way is played. Should the scores still be level the tie will be decided on penalties.

The winners of the tie are then away in the Quarter Finals when they face Manchester United at Old Trafford on Saturday 9 March kicking off 3:00pm.

If we are successful the following ticket sale arrangements will apply: Season Ticket holders may claim two tickets per season ticket held on production of Cup Voucher L and the correct remittance at the Matchday Ticket Office from 9:00am on Thursday morning until 4:45pm on Saturday 2 March. Holders of five match ticket stubs - of which one must be from today's game can claim one ticket from the Matchday Ticket Office in the Rover Family Stand from 9:00am on Monday 4 March until 4:45pm on Wednesday 6 March. Any tickets remaining will be on general sale from the Advance Ticket Office from 9:00am on Thursday 7 March.

Tickets are priced at £18 (£9 concessions) and £14 (£7 concessions).

## Season Tickets

We are now on the final hurdle on our push for promotion and the only way to guarantee entry is to have a Season Ticket. Full details of reduced prices are on page 30 of today's programme. This price includes all Endsleigh League games after today's, all home Reserve Team games and priority booking for away fixtures including hopefully the game at Manchester United in the F.A. Cup.

## Reserves

This coming Monday afternoon the Reserves meet Portsmouth at The County Ground in the Avon Insurance Combination kicking off at 2:00pm.

This is the last afternoon kick off for home Reserve Team fixtures. We switch to 7:00pm starts with effect from the Watford game on Monday 11 March.

## More Changes

With the bad weather midweek we

have had to change some Endsleigh League fixtures yet again at the request of the Football League to allow other clubs to fit in some of their games.

Our home game with Burnley now stays on Wednesday 17 April (7:45) having previously been moved to 01 May.

This now leaves us able to travel to play Chesterfield at Saltergate on Tuesday 23 April kicking off at 7:30pm.

One more game which we will not mind moving is that of our next home Endsleigh League game which is against Walsall on Saturday 9 March - the date of the Quarter Finals of the F.A. Cup!

## Contract Cancelled

Andy Mutch has left the club during the week having had his contract cancelled by mutual consent. Also Tony Grant has been recalled by Everton on the very day he signed on another month's Temporary Transfer.

## Ticketmaster

Tickets in the Intel Stand for all Swindon Town home fixtures are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week from Ticketmaster on 0645 101010.

Ticketmaster also offer a similar service for London Theatre bookings on 0171 344 4444.

## All Ticket

We have several all ticket games coming up. They are the fixtures at Wycombe Wanderers next Saturday, Oxford United on Tuesday 19 March, Bristol City on Saturday 30 March and Crewe Alexandra on Easter Monday 8 April.



## Endsleigh League

*Our next game in the Endsleigh League is a week today when we meet Wycombe Wanderers at Adams Park in an all ticket fixture which kicks off at 3:00pm. Terrace tickets for the game are on sale now from the Advance Ticket Office price £7 (Concessions £4.50). Do not travel to Wycombe if you are not in possession of a ticket.*

Our next home game is scheduled for the County Ground for Saturday 9 March when we entertain Walsall kicking off at 3:00pm. This is of course subject to F.A. Cup commitments.





# Bristol Rovers

## the visitors

By John Nolan

*There is no doubt 1996 has been a good year so far for the men from Twerton Park, who ended 1995 in 15th position in the Second Division table with 27 points.*

While many were involved in the FA Cup Third Round, Rovers got their New Year League programme under way with a 2-1 home win over Hull City; and the Rovers went to Wrexham in midweek still boasting an unbeaten record in 1996, after five wins and two draws.

In those seven games Rovers have scored 13 goals and conceded five, with Marcus Stewart responsible for six goals, his winner against Rotherham United last Saturday (1-0) his 21st strike of the season.

Six-foot striker Peter Beadle has also been prominent after a settling down period following his arrival from Watford last November. The former Tottenham man had netted five, including both goals in a rousing 2-0 victory at Ashton Gate against Bristol City.

A sixth away win of the season was recorded at Hull (3-1) with Stewart, Browning and Beadle the

marksmen while at home this year points have been gathered from Hull City (2-1), Carlisle United (1-1), Walsall (2-0) and Rotherham (1-0).

It all added up to Rovers moving up to sixth place last Saturday with 44 points - they are indeed the form team of the division at the moment - and such is the confidence sweeping Twerton Park that they are now looking beyond just the play-offs to making a strong challenge for one of the two promotion slots.

The team was strengthened last month when Damien Matthew was signed on loan from Crystal Palace. The 25-year-old former Chelsea midfielder has only been on the fringe of the Palace first-team this season, sitting most games out on the bench, having made just four Premiership appearances in Palace's relegation season last year.

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*Bristol Rovers Football Club 1995/96 season*



**Back Row:** Mike Wyatt, Billy Clark, Gareth Taylor, Shane Higgs, Brian Parkin, Andy Collett, Justin Skinner, Ian McLean, Ian Wright.

**2nd Row:** Lee Archer, Dave Pritchard, Marcus Stewart, Andy Tillson, Marcus Browning, Paul Miller, Worrell Sterling, Justin Channing.

**3rd Row:** Roy Dolling (Youth Development Manager), Ray Kendall (Kit Manager), Tony Gill (Youth Team Manager), John Ward (Manager), Steve Cross (Assistant Manager), Terry Connor (Reserve Team Manager), Keith James (Physio).

**Front Row:** Andy Gurney, John French, Matthew Hayfield, Mike Davis, Martin Paul, Paul Tovey, Tom White, Lee Maddison.



# also Bristol Rovers



## Peter Beadle

- **FORWARD.** Signed from Watford in November 1995, he had struggled to establish himself in the Hornets team this season after forming a promising partnership with Kevin Phillips in the latter stages of the 1994-95 season. Had joined Watford from Tottenham Hotspur in September 1994, for a nominal fee. At six-feet-six he has the ideal stature for a target man. Peter joined Gillingham from school and made 46 (30) appearances in their colours before his potential was snapped up by Spurs who paid £350,000 for his transfer in 1993. Born: Lambeth 13-5-72.

## Marcus Browning

- **MIDFIELD.** Has been with Rovers since he was a schoolboy working his way to full professional status in 1989. A consistent goal-scorer at Youth and Reserve Team levels he always considered himself as a forward but he was not able to produce this form in the senior side and was loaned out to Hereford United during the season of 1992-93 to gain experience in the Third Division. It worked well for when he returned he snapped up five goals in seven appearances. But it was caretaker coach Malcolm Allison who was to have the most profound effect on Marcus's career. He switched him to midfield and gave him an extended run in the first-team in this position. John Ward then continued to guide him and Marcus is now firmly established in midfield where his powerful running and forceful tackling has made him an influential figure. Born: Bristol 22-4-71.

## Justin Channing

- **MIDFIELD.** Was one of Queens Park Rangers' promising young starlets with an England pedigree at Youth and Under-21 levels. With

opportunities restricted at Loftus Road he joined Rovers on a two month loan agreement and impressed so much that they dug deep to come up with £275,000 to secure his services in January 1993. Equally at home in defence or midfield he has remained a first team regular ever since and chips in with the odd breathtaking goal. Born: Reading 19-11-68

## Billy Clark

- **CENTRAL DEFENDER.** Over the past two years his partnership with Andy Tillson at the heart of the Rovers defence has been the backbone of their promotion quest. Billy was signed from AFC Bournemouth in 1988 and chalked up 100 games for the club during the 1992-93 campaign. A model of consistency he is effective in both boxes and in the early part of last season was a serious contender for leading goal scorer with four strikes in the opening dozen League games. He finished the campaign with 7 goals. Born: Christchurch 19-5-67



Billy Clark

## Andy Collett

- **GOALKEEPER.** Was signed from Middlesbrough on transfer deadline day in March 1995.

having already spent two loan periods with the Bristol club. Last season his opportunities were limited by the excellent form of Brian Parkin to just five League outings but is now enjoying a successful run in the team as Rovers' last line of defence. Height: 5' 11" Born: Middlesbrough 28-10-73.

## John French

- **FORWARD.** Local lad signed on as a professional after two years on the YTS. An adaptable young man who has played centre-forward, centre-half and in midfield for the Youth Team and Reserves he has the ability to fill a number of roles and has proved an ideal man to have on the bench. Born: Bristol 25-9-76.

## Andrew Gurney

- **DEFENDER.** Made the step up from YTS to full professional in July 1992. Andy, like John French, can operate in a number of defensive or midfield roles. Made his League debut towards the end of the 1993-94 season and established himself as a regular choice in 1994-95. A sweet striker of the ball with a thunderous shot he loves to have a go from long range. Born: Bristol 25-1-74

## Shane Higgs

- **GOALKEEPER.** Hails from Oxford and was awarded a professional contract after just one year on the YTS. At six-feet-two he has the stature to make the grade and is now a regular on the Rovers substitute bench though still awaiting his first chance in League football. Shane is still only 18. Born: Oxford 13-5-77.



# also Bristol Rovers



## Paul Miller

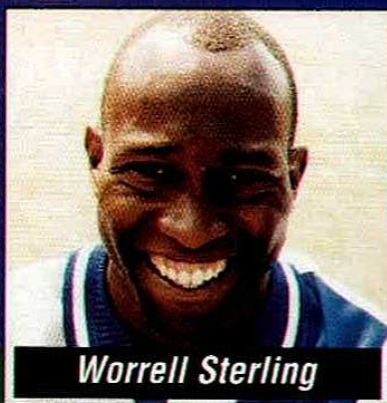
- **STRIKER.** Paul made his debut for Rovers on August 17, 1994 and registered his first goal three days later in a home game against York City. As a schoolboy he was on the books of Wimbledon, making his League debut in a 1-0 defeat at Watford in August 1987. That season he also made six Fourth Division appearances for Newport County while on loan netting twice - his first League goals. He made 80 League appearances for the Dons as well as further loan spells spent with Bristol City and Yeovil Town. Paul proved a great success with Rovers finishing his first season (1994-95) as top scorer with 22 goals in 54 appearances. Born: Bisley 31-1-68.

## Martin Paul

- **STRIKER.** Was recruited to the Rovers YTS in July 1991 having previously played in local football for Queen Camel, Castle Cary and Somerset. Gained professional status in 1993 and became a regular scorer in their Reserve side. Martin's first full League appearance came in a goalless draw at Peterborough on the opening day of the 1994-95 season and he finished the season with four starts and three substitute appearances. Born: Lancashire 2-2-75.

## Worrell Sterling

- **WINGER.** On his day can bring a new dimension to the team, a pacey individual whose tight control and balance can upset the tightest defences. Came into top class football with Watford as an apprentice and made his League debut for them in a 2-0 defeat at Manchester United in April 1983. It was the first of 100 appearances for the Hornets. Turned out in another 250 games for Peterborough United proving a durable competitor, missing just half-a-dozen games in four years at London Road. Has also been a virtual ever present for the Rovers since signing in July 1993 from Peterborough for £140,000. Born: London 8-6-65.



Worrell Sterling

## Marcus Stewart

- **STRIKER.** Former England Schoolboy International who went on to win England Under-21 honours who is another home-grown talent, though he was on Associate Schoolboy forms with Southampton until joining the Rovers YTS. Made his full League debut against Grimsby Town in September 1992 and has established himself as a regular goalscorer. Netted 24 goals in 36 starts last season, when he set a new Club record by scoring in nine consecutive appearances. "Stewi" is a great favourite with the fans. Born: Bristol 7-11-72.

## Justin Skinner

- **MIDFIELD.** Was a Club record signing when he arrived from Fulham for £130,000 in the summer of 1995 and quickly established himself with four goals in 50 appearances in his first season with Rovers. A fine play-maker whose precision passing is a feature of his skilled technique. Justin has also captained the team on occasions. Born: Hounslow 30-1-69.

## Ian Wright

- **DEFENDER.** Signed from Stoke City for £25,000, in October 1993, after a loan spell in which he impressed greatly. Ian had joined Stoke City straight from school and whilst there Lou Macari gave him a dozen senior appearances in League and Cup. Since his arrival at Twerton Park the six-footer has been a regular member of the first team squad and scored one goal in eight appearances last season. Born: Lichfield 10-3-72.

## Bristol Rovers Football Club Season 1995/96 Endsleigh League Division 2

Carlisle United	A	2-1
Gillingham*	A	1-1
SWANSEA CITY	H	2-2
GILLINGHAM*	H	4-2
Walsall	A	1-1
BURNLEY	H	1-0
WREXHAM	H	1-2
York City	A	1-0
Rotherham United	A	0-1
SWINDON TOWN	H	1-4
WEST HAM UNITED*	H	0-1
BRENTFORD	H	2-0
Oxford United	A	2-1
West Ham United*	A	0-3
AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	0-2
Bradford City	A	3-2
Brighton & Hove Albion#	A	2-0
NOTTS COUNTY	H	0-3
Brighton & Hove Albion	A	0-2
Blackpool	A	0-3
PETERBOROUGH UTD.	H	1-1
CAMBRIDGE UNITED#	H	3-0
Hitchin Town+	A	1-2
Wycombe Wanderers	A	1-1
STOCKPORT COUNTY	H	1-3
AFC BOURNEMOUTH#	H	2-1
Brentford	A	0-0
OXFORD UNITED	H	2-0
CREWE ALEXANDRA	H	1-2
Shrewsbury Town	A	1-1
HULL CITY	H	2-1
Fulham#	A	2-1
Swansea City	A	2-2
Bristol City	A	2-0
CARLISLE UNITED	H	1-1
WALSALL	H	2-0
Hull City	A	3-1
Peterborough United#	A	1-0
Rotherham United	H	1-0
Wrexham	A	2-3

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# the man in charge



**John Ward - Manager**

*John Ward hails from Lincoln, and he started his playing career with his home-town club, signing professional for*

*the Imps in March 1971, six months after making his debut against Reading.*

A forward, he spent three months on loan with Workington in 1972 but returned to Lincoln where he finished top scorer in three seasons in the mid-70's scoring 24 goals to help Lincoln win the Fourth Division title in 1976. In all he scored 91 goals in 240 League appearances.

In July 1979 he was taken to Watford by Graham Taylor, who had been a team mate of his at Sincil Bank, and contributed six goals in 26 League outings. Then, at 31, John turned his attention to coaching as Taylor's assistant.

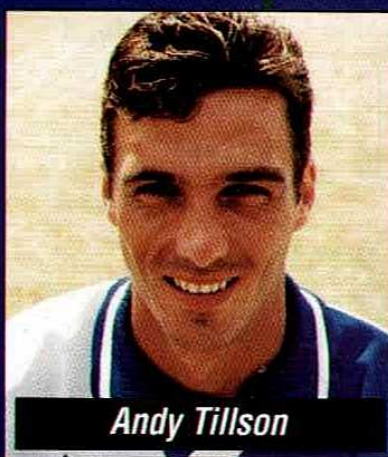
First Division football and an FA Cup Final with Everton were the rewards and when Mr Taylor went to Villa as manager John went with him. Promotion to Division One was secured in their first season; then in 1990 they finished runners-up in the Championship. Taylor then left to become England manager and Ward carried on at Villa Park, later taking on the role also of England Under-21 manager. In November 1991 John was installed as manager of York City and guided them to the top of Division Three. On March 12, 1993 he was offered a three year contract at Bristol Rovers.

In 1995 Rovers won through to the Play-Off Final but lost 2-1 to Huddersfield Town at Wembley.

## Under the Spotlight

*Central defender Andy Tillson cost Rovers a Club record £375,000 when signed from Queens Park Rangers in November 1992; it proved money well spent. For Andy has forged a great partnership with Billy Clark and together they have formed the rocks upon which many opponents have floundered.*

Born in Huntingdon, in June 1966, his early football experience was gained with Peterborough United and Kettering Town but his first real break came in July 1988 when Grimsby Town snapped him up. He was two-and-a-half years at Blundell Park; and made 105 appearances.



**Andy Tillson**

Such was his form with the Marines that Queens Park Rangers paid them £500,000 for his transfer in December 1990 but he found

his opportunities very limited at Loftus Road - he played in only 29 games (2 goals) and jumped at the chance of regular first team football with Bristol Rovers.

Suffered a few injury problems during the campaign of 1993-94 but has overcome his troubles and came back as captain to dominate the Rovers defence in the season of 1994-95, during which he scored three goals in 53 appearances.

Crowned a magnificent season by clearing the board in the Player of the Year honours winning the honour with the Supporters Club, Young Pirates and Presidents Club.





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# ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE Preview

*Our thanks go to the seaside clubs of Brighton and AFC Bournemouth who both assisted our Championship cause last week by taking points from our immediate rivals and strangely we will be looking to them again this afternoon for a similar response.*

Brighton came from behind at their Goldstone Ground to draw 2-2 with Crewe - Ray Wilkins' younger brother Dean scoring Brighton's first - while Bournemouth took all three points from Blackpool at Dean Court, thanks to a 70th minute goal from sweeper Matt Holland, to end Blackpool's 11-match unbeaten run. Today, Brighton are at Blackpool and AFC Bournemouth at Crewe!

Of course everyone has been in action in midweek but last Saturday, while our attentions were focused on the FA Cup, we emerged still five points clear of Crewe with the same number of games played so we tackle Bristol Rovers this afternoon as clear leaders.

Crewe will play hosts to AFC Bournemouth, an interesting one this though the odds obviously favour the Railwaymen. AFC Bournemouth don't travel too well and have only scored 12 goals in 13 trips, three of which have been won and two only drawn, but it is the second home game this week for Crewe and results don't always go as expected.

Blackpool's home record is second to none and one can't imagine that they will collapse again so they should account for struggling Brighton who had their game at Notts County postponed midweek.

Two goals in the last four minutes at Stockport sent Notts County to their first League defeat in two

months. Notts boss Colin Murphy claimed: 'It's ironic that we lost because that's the best we have played in recent weeks.' Oh well, that's how it goes, and today they will have home advantage over Shrewsbury Town. It will be interesting to see what reaction the Shrews show following their 4-0 defeat by Liverpool in the FA Cup last week.

Chesterfield, 3-1 winners over Wycombe are not such a force away from home and might well be satisfied with a draw at fast improving Rotherham United. The Yorkshire side lost 1-0 at Bristol Rovers last Saturday but have scored 23 goals at home as they begin to climb away from the relegation zone.

Bradford City were without a game last Saturday - they should have been home to us - and after a tricky trip to Wycombe in midweek travel to Ashton Gate today. Bristol City, like Rotherham, have been improving of late and don't concede many goals on their own patch. A win today will really give them a boost.

Oxford United still have ambitions to make the Play-Offs but with only one away win and six draws (prior to Tuesday's trip to York), a point is possibly the best they can hope for at Carlisle.

Wrexham and Burnley are similarly placed and the Turf Moor boys will certainly be expected to take three points at Hull; while Wrexham's

impressive home record surely will not be weakened by Peterborough - 6-1 winners at home to Carlisle last week - whose form is so erratic.

At the bottom York should take advantage of the turmoil that surrounds Swansea City while Walsall look a good bet against Brentford and Wycombe could come unstuck to dark horses Stockport County.



*Mel Machin - Can his Cherries pip Crewe?*



# Robins in Action

*Swindon Town vs Southampton*

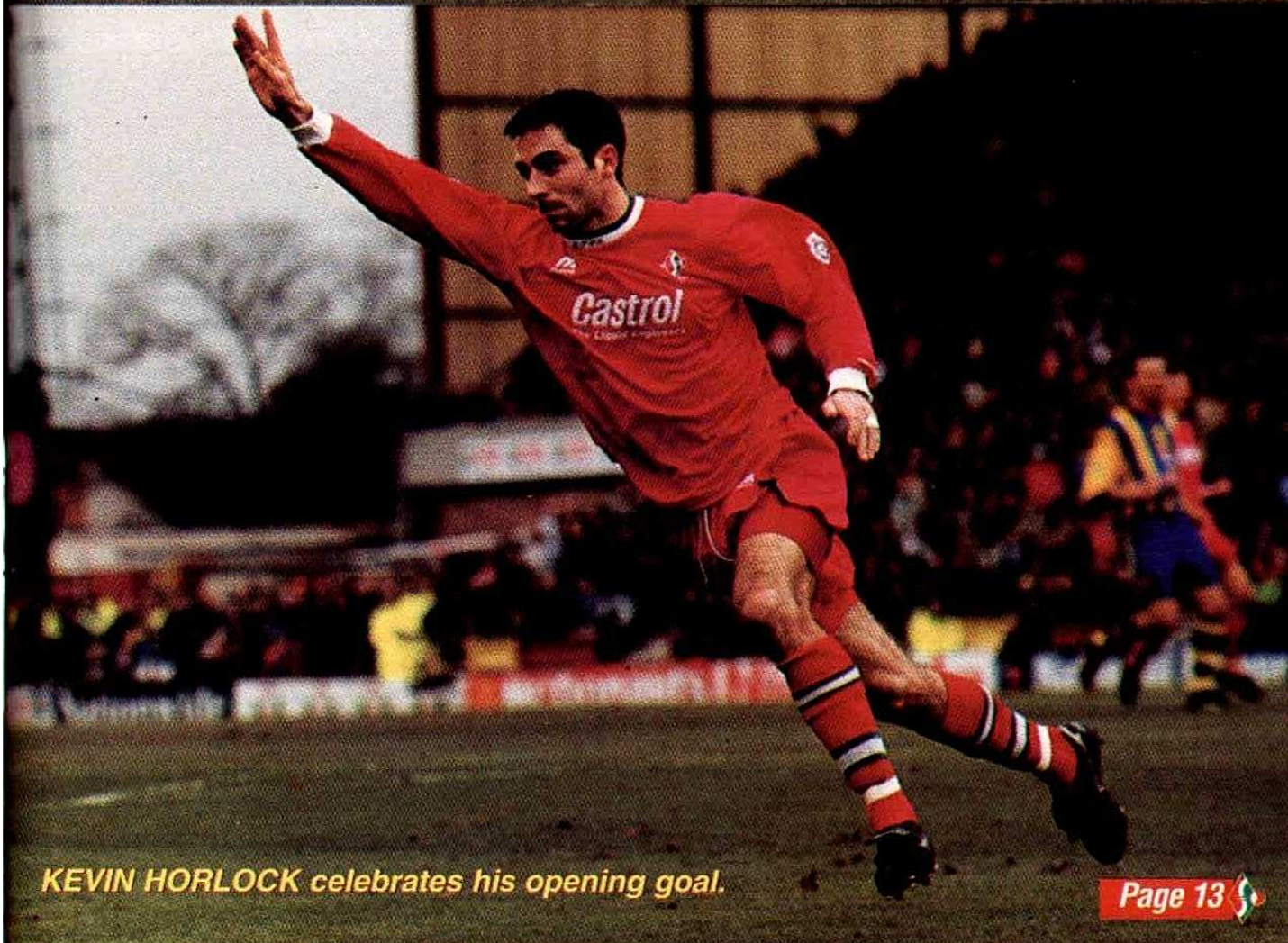
*Jason Dodd under challenge from WAYNE ALLISON.*

*SHAUN TAYLOR tussles with Neil Shipperley.*





*Ken Monkou aims high at WAYNE ALLISON.*



*KEVIN HORLOCK celebrates his opening goal.*



# Training Ground

*With Andy Rowland*

*We were lucky to beat the weather and get our game against Brentford played midweek.*

The covers we bought last season have proved invaluable during the appalling weather which has been thrown at us this winter.

However we must not lose sight of the excellent condition that the pitch is in and all credit must go to groundsman Geoff Warren for the work he has put in on it in all weathers.

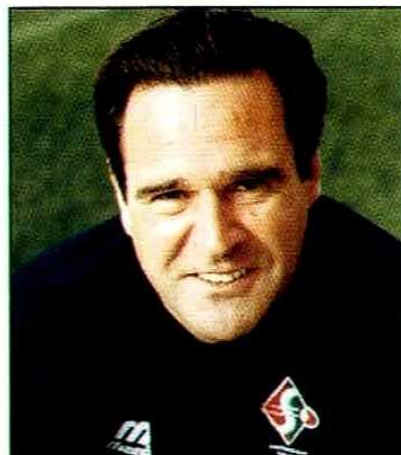
Once the game has finished this afternoon he will be out there again preparing it in time for Monday's Reserve Team game with Portsmouth.

Still you never know if things go right for us at Southampton next Wednesday, Geoff might be seeing

the back of us for a while and we will have seven consecutive away games to contend with! We will not start to think about the FA Cup until after today's game as there are another valuable three points in the offering.

Kevin Horlock was in the goals when we met Bristol Rovers at Twerton Park earlier in the season and he was certainly able to find the back of the net against Southampton so let's hope that he keeps it up this afternoon.

We might well have edged into a bit of a lead at the top of the table with Crewe being beaten at home by Stockport on Tuesday but if we have said it once we have said it a



dozen times, and will continue to do so, you cannot become complacent in the slightest and nothing short of 100% commitment and effort from everybody in the team will ensure we remain on top come May.

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# TreatmentRoom

*With Club Physio Jonathan Trigg*

*Even with the bad weather we have experienced over the past few weeks we have been very fortunate and have not picked up any further injuries to the First Team squad.*

Paul Bodin was rested on Wednesday for the game against Brentford after it was felt wise not to continue injecting his toe with pain killers. Paul will now allow the fracture to heal without any further trauma and will only play when the toe is 100%.

He will however continue to work hard in training to maintain his fitness swimming and biking.

The Manager continues to progress well following his hamstring strain but will again not be available for selection this afternoon.

Ty Gooden received treatment after the Brentford game. He injured his left shin early in the game but shouldn't be doubtful for the match today.

Youth Team players Michael Pattimore and Danny Hunt will not have been available for John Trollope's Youth Team who were at Wycombe Wanderers this morning in the South East Counties League after Michael strained his hamstring whilst training in the gymnasium while Danny injured his ankle walking to the ground when he slipped on the ice!



## The Swindon Town Shadow Board

*During the short time since the Shadow Board was launched we have received many letters and comment cards from supporters. Some have been grumbles and complaints, some have been good suggestions and some have been slightly 'off the wall'! Some have simply been observations and we would like to quote one such observation, from Steven Holt of Portsmouth, in full. he wrote:-*

*'What an excellent shop you have. Better than some Premier League shops e.g. Leeds, Sheffield Wednesday. Staff are friendly as well'.*

Sometimes it takes a comment such as this to make us appreciate a facility which we might take for granted. Thank you Steven for taking the time to fill out a comment card. We have passed your comments to the Club staff in the shop.

Finally, don't forget to put your suggestions together to enter the Shadow Board competition - there is still time to win the Executive matchday tickets!

*Please write to us at:*

*The Shadow Board, P.O. Box 663, Swindon, SN1 2NX.*



### *The Shadow Board*

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# In the Community

With Shane Cook

*The weather relented in time during the week just in time to allow our Half-Term Fundays to get underway at Greendown, St Joseph's School and Farmore School. Considering the bad weather we were delighted with the response. Indeed this week saw one of the highest numbers in attendance since the scheme started four years ago.*

No sooner have we got these ones out of the way than we have to prepare for the Easter Fundays in just six weeks time.

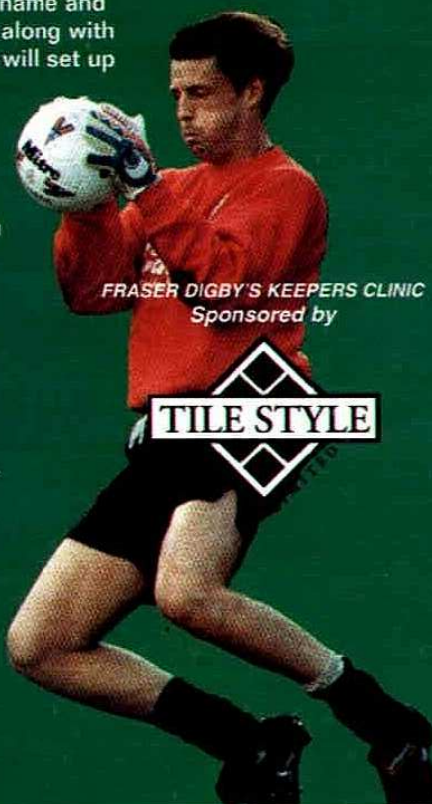
We will be announcing the details of these very shortly and if the success of the last week is anything to go by early booking is essential.

We are always looking for different venues to hold Fundays. They do not have to be in Swindon. So if you think that there would be sufficient demand in your town or village to run a Funday then please contact us at the Community Office and we will see what we can do.

The first of Fraser Digby's Keepers Clinics takes place tomorrow morning at St. Joseph's Lower School in Queens Drive. The second and third sessions are being held on March 24 and April 21 at Greendown Community School.

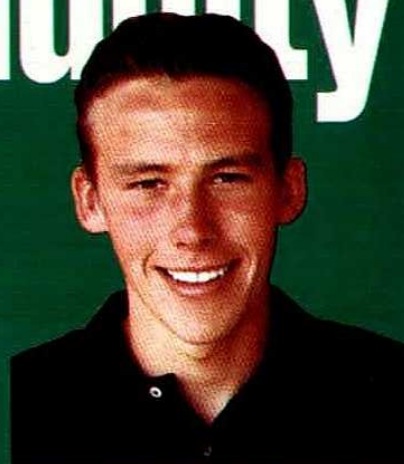
These courses have been another success for the Community Office. However we have been asked if it is possible to have similar sessions for goalkeepers aged over 16. Again if there is a demand for such courses please write in to us with your name and contact address and telephone number along with your age and if the demand is there we will set up another course.

We will very shortly be sending out invitations to schools Under 11 teams to participate in the Second Swindon Town 6-a-Side Competition which again is being kindly sponsored by Swindon Cable.



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# Home & Away



*After our glut of home fixtures we are now off on our travels for three games.*

We start next Wednesday when we visit The Dell for our F.A. Cup 5th round replay with Southampton which kicks off at 7.30pm and this is followed by our first ever competitive game against Wycombe Wanderers at Adams Park a week today in the Endsleigh League.

Supporters travelling to these games must have a ticket in advance of the day as none will be sold at The Dell or Adams Park.

Finally we meet Peterborough United at London Road in the League on Tuesday 5th March. This game kicks off at 7.45pm having been postponed on New Years Day.

## Wycombe Wanderers

### ROUTE TO WYCOMBE WANDERERS

Leave Swindon on M4 Eastbound. At j8/9 turn off onto A404 (M) Northbound. At junction of M40 go straight over and take road following the signs for Aylesbury. Go straight over three mini-roundabouts into New Road and bear sharp left at the 4th into Lane End Road. Fork right into Hillbottom Road at next roundabout. Adams Park is at end of road. There is a car Park for supporters approximately ten minutes walk from the Stadium in Chapel Lane which is situated just over the two mini roundabouts at the bottom of the hill on New Road.

## Southampton

### ROUTE TO SOUTHAMPTON

Leave Swindon on M4 Eastbound. At j13 turn off onto A34 through Newbury to join M3 Southbound at j9. On entering Southampton turn off onto A33 into The Avenue and right into Northlands Road. Turn right at the end into Archers Road for The Dell.

## Peterborough United

### ROUTE TO PETERBOROUGH UNITED

From Swindon take A420 towards Oxford turning left on joining the Oxford Ring Road onto A34. At M40 join j9 going Northbound leaving at j10 going on A34 towards Northampton via Towcester. From Northampton follow A45 to join A605 to Peterborough via Oundle. In Peterborough take A47 to City Centre following signs for Whittlesey. Cross river into London Road and ground is on left.

### TRAVEL CLUB

**Southampton - Fare £6.00**

Depart County Ground, Swindon 16.30

**Wycombe Wanderers - Fare £5.00**

Depart County Ground, Swindon 12.00 noon

**Peterborough United - Fare £8.00**

Depart County Ground, Swindon 15.30

Bookings taken at the Travel Club Office in the Castrol Stand before and after all home games and Tuesday to Thursday evenings from 19.00 - 21.00. Telephone Swindon (01793) 611499 - 24 hour service. Bookings also taken in association with Barnes Coaches Monday to Friday 09.00 - 17.00. Telephone Marlborough (01672) 540330 or at the Information Centre in Regent Street. Pick-up points are available. Please enquire when booking. £2 reduction available for all children accompanied by an adult.

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Depart West Swindon 11.45  
County Ground 12.00 noon  
Ermin Street 12.15

**Peterborough United - Fare £8.00**

Depart West Swindon 15.15  
County Ground 15.30  
Ermin Street 15.45

Coaches also pick up at Malmesbury, Lynham, Wootton Bassett and Lower Stratton.

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Bookings also taken in association with **SILVER KNIGHT** Monday - Friday 09.00 - 17.00 on Chippenham (01249) 720360. Reductions available for Junior Robins.



# Kevin Horlock

Talks to Colin Benson

**CB: First of all Kevin congratulations on a brilliant goal against Southampton. Was that one of your best finishes ever?**

KH: It was obviously good from my point of view scoring the goal but it was a good move all around. It started deep in our half and a few lads were involved. I think Paul Allen and Thorney interchanged passes and then Thorney slipped me in.

I suppose the finishing was really the easy bit. The one-touch football getting through Southampton was the difficult part. But it was nice to be on the end of it and nice to be able to finish it.

CB: You say you did the easy part Kevin but I wouldn't subscribe to that. It was certainly no gift goal, the coolness and precise way in which you steadied yourself and picked your spot had the hallmark of a natural striker about it.

KH: It has been that way for me this season. I have got ten goals now which is a bit of a milestone for me. I normally only get one a season but this year it has really taken off for me.

When you are scoring you feel more confident in front of goal and I think that showed on Saturday.

CB: You had time to think about this one. What actually flashed into your mind. You know that moment when the ball came to you and you actually realised it was you against Dave Beasant?

KH: The main thing that came to mind was to hit the target and I did that, and luckily enough the ball had gone over him into the far corner.

You don't really get a lot of time to think in that sort of situation although I suppose when you watch it on telly, and to the supporters in the ground, it seemed quite an age and that I had a very long time. But when you are actually there with the ball at your foot it seems like only a split second. So you don't really have a lot of time to think.

CB: So really it is just a natural response?

KH: I think so yes. The main thing is to hit the target obviously because if you don't you are not going to score. But it all happens so quick you don't have time to size things up as people will imagine.

CB: You must have glowed inside as soon as that ball hit the net. Tell us how you felt?

KH: Yes I was over the moon, as they say, and I think that showed in my celebrations. I went a bit mad. But yes it is nice; it is just a great feeling to score and I am getting a taste for it this season. Let's hope it continues.

CB: Well Kevin last time we played Bristol Rovers you got that scoring feeling on no less than three occasions. Now that was your first ever hat-trick in senior football so Twerton Park is surely going to be mentioned in your memoirs?

KH: That's right. It was obviously a good day for me and we played particularly well that day as well. It all fell together for me. I had three chances and scored three goals so

I was delighted that day and will remember that game for the rest of my career.

CB: Which of the three goals gave you most satisfaction?

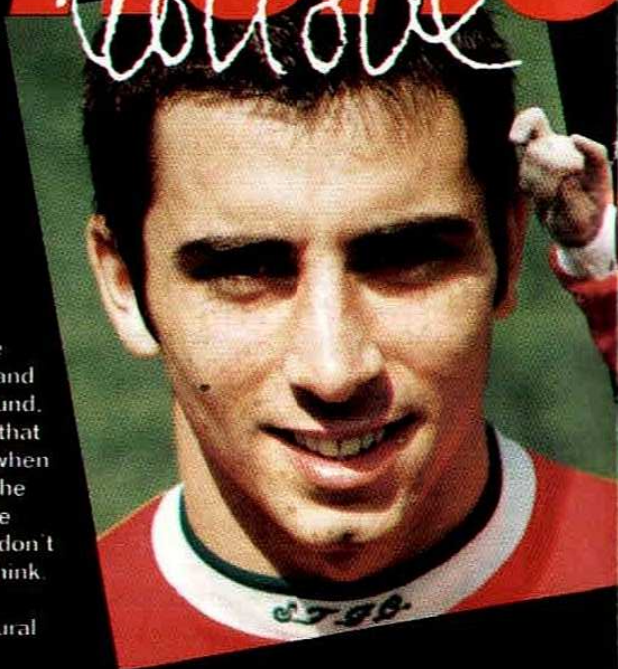
KH: My first goal was probably the best of the three but I think the last one, to make it a hat-trick, was the most gratifying. Perhaps I was a little bit fortunate the way it fell to me but to run in on goal to an empty net for a little tap-in was nice.

CB: Those are the sort of goals strikers make their reputations on.

KH: Yes they say they enjoy them. I enjoy any goal I can get.

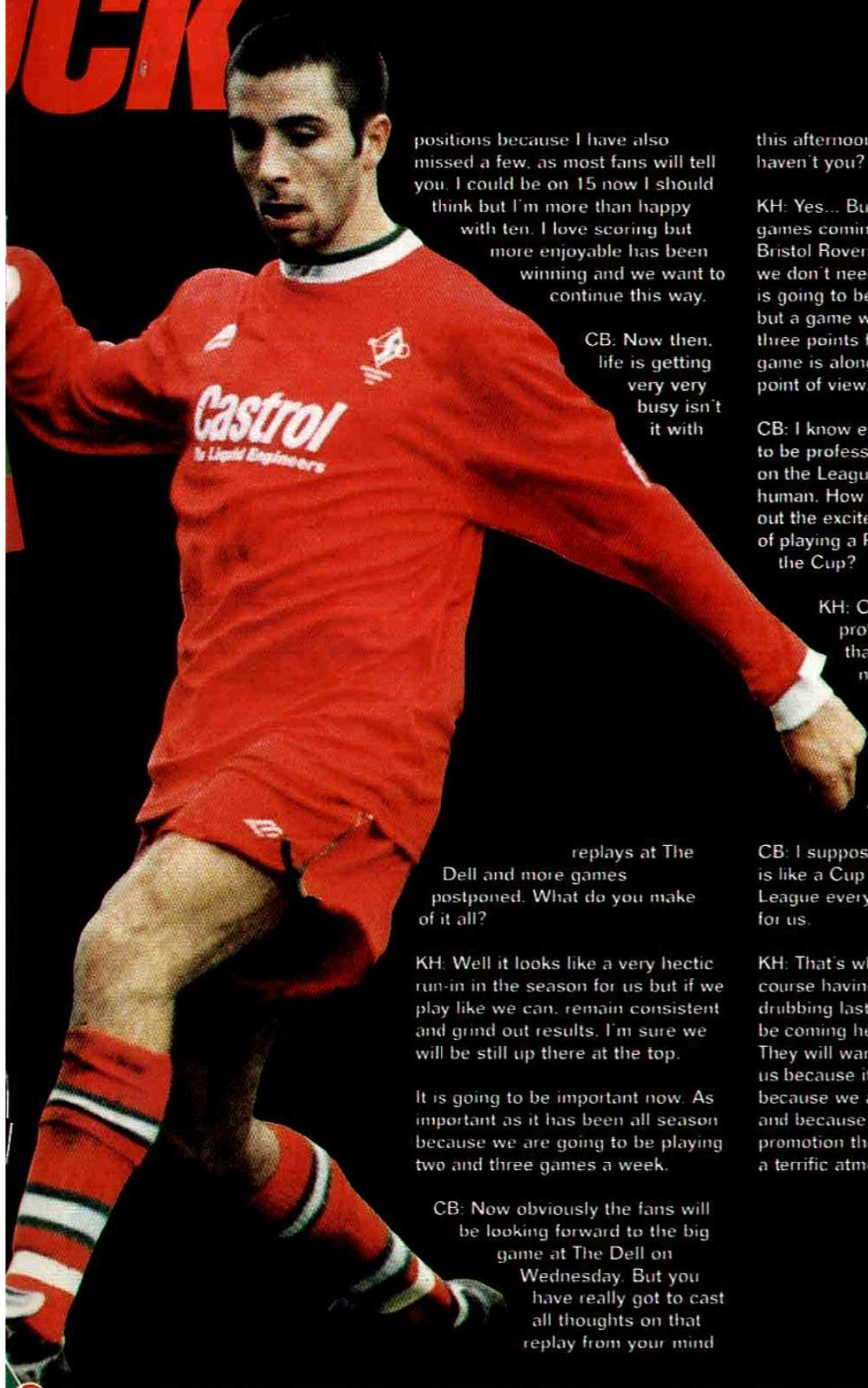
CB: Just how many are you going to get this season and what is the secret?

KH: I don't know. A bit of luck I think. I'm definitely getting into scoring





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positions because I have also missed a few, as most fans will tell you. I could be on 15 now I should think but I'm more than happy with ten. I love scoring but more enjoyable has been winning and we want to continue this way.

CB: Now then, life is getting very very busy isn't it with

this afternoon haven't you?

KH: Yes... But they are all big games coming up for us now. Bristol Rovers is a local derby so we don't need reminding of that. It is going to be fast, hard and hectic but a game we are looking to get three points from. The Southampton game is along way off from our point of view.

CB: I know everyone says we have to be professional and concentrate on the League but you are only human. How difficult is it to shut out the excitement and anticipation of playing a Premiership side in the Cup?

KH: Our lads are professional and realise that though a Cup run is nice, and it is good to play the likes of Southampton, what this club needs most is promotion and League games are vital to us.

replays at The Dell and more games postponed. What do you make of it all?

KH: Well it looks like a very hectic run-in in the season for us but if we play like we can, remain consistent and grind out results, I'm sure we will be still up there at the top.

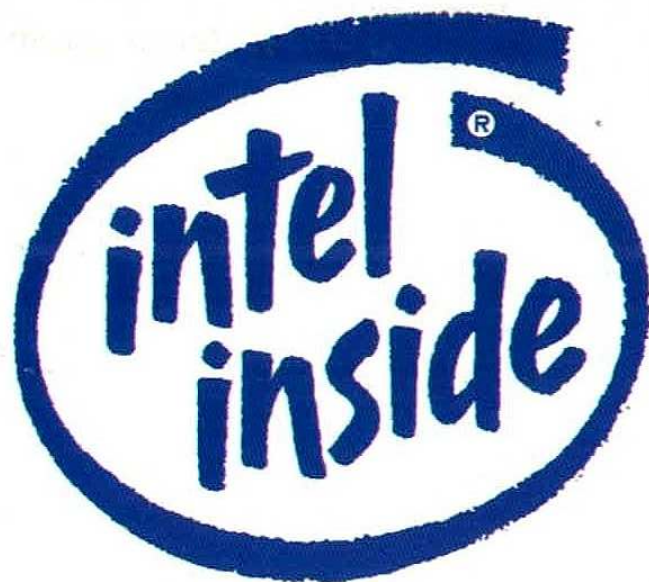
It is going to be important now. As important as it has been all season because we are going to be playing two and three games a week.

CB: Now obviously the fans will be looking forward to the big game at The Dell on Wednesday. But you have really got to cast all thoughts on that replay from your mind

CB: I suppose in a way every game is like a Cup Final. Being top of the League everyone is gunning for us.

KH: That's what is happening and of course having given Rovers a drubbing last time they are going to be coming here to prove a point. They will want to put one over on us because it is a derby game, because we are top of the League and because they are after promotion themselves. It should be a terrific atmosphere.





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*Strewth, I have only just returned from holiday but here we are back again for yet another home game at The County Ground as we welcome everybody from Bristol Rovers for today's game.*

At least we know they are clean supporters - well most of them come from Bath don't they!

Sorry Rovers supporters you have to forgive the Horne style of wit. However if it is any consolation I am usually taking the juice out of your friends at Ashton Gate something wicked!

You never know if and I certainly hope it is when, we win at Southampton on Wednesday night in the replay we will have no less than seven consecutive away games coming up. Never know I might be able to get in a few more days hols!

A reminder that the Matchday Party starts as soon as the turnstiles open so why not avoid the crowds and try and get here

that little bit earlier.

If you have a request or dedication you want me to read out to a loved one or even the mother-in-law make sure that I am in receipt of it at least two days prior to the game in question.

Well finally it's time for Horne's Howler and I just can't resist extracting the Michael out of City. A Bristol City fan is in the pub with his dog when the scores came on T.V. The announcer says that Bristol City had lost 3-0 and the dog rolls over and sticks his paws in the air playing dead. "That's amazing" says a regular. "What does he do when City wins?"

The Bristol City fan scratches his head and replied "I don't know. I've only had the dog for seven years!"

## The Junior Robins

With Louise Kaye

*Good afternoon to all Junior Robins at today's game and an extended welcome to Bristol Rovers' 'Young Pirates' who travelled down earlier today.*



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**CITY SLICKERS: The Legend of Curly's Gold** - Comic Western sequel that sees the return of the city boys Mitch Robbins (Billy Crystal) and Phil Berquist (Daniel Stern) who are running a radio station just outside New York. *Premieres Thursday 7th March, 8.00pm on The Movie Channel. Encore plays Sunday 17th & Saturday 30th March, 8.00pm.*



**CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER** - Harrison Ford returns as CIA agent Jack Ryan in this blockbusting sequel to Patriot Games. *Premieres Saturday 16th March, 8.00pm on The Movie Channel. Encore play Sunday 24th March, 8.00pm.*



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# Marketing NEWS

With Phil Alexander

**A big warm welcome to today's fixture from everybody in the Marketing Team.**

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## Players Player of the Month



**Fraser Digby** wins The Players Player of the Month Award for January which is presented by **Mike Johnson** of **Castrol**. Fraser receives a meal for two at **Fattios Italian Restaurant**, Highworth.

## Swindon Town Crèche

This is a new and exciting service brought to you by Swindon Town Football Club and Thamesdown Borough Council. Starting from today's game supporters will be able to leave their child at The Lifestyle Centre at the rear of the Castrol Stand for the duration of the game. It is only available for Saturday matches and there will be a £2 charge. Spaces are very limited. Children must be 2-8 years old. Bookings must be made in advance through Swindon Childcarers. To book please contact **Anne Reed** on Swindon (01793) 514055.



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## Presentation Time



**Mr Chris Tucker**, Chairman of **Network Insurance Brokers**, receives a signed, framed shirt from **Mike Spearman**. **Network** were Matchday Sponsors against **Southampton**.



**Jenny Jeffries** and her guests from **Wyvern Staff** receive their signed football from **Ty Gooden**. **Wyvern Staff** were Matchball Sponsors against **Southampton**.



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# Swindon Town Ladies



**Swindon Town Ladies progressed to the Second Round of the League Cup without even kicking the ball.**

The 1st Round tie with Oxford United, which had twice been postponed because of the weather, was called off because the Oxford team had selection problems.

Because of the circumstances the Town have been awarded the game. Swindon will now visit Aldershot, who accounted for Second Division Leighton Linslade by four goals to two in Round One. Aldershot are currently mid table and last season in Division Three the Town completed the double over the Hampshire side. The game will be played tomorrow so the home League game with Leighton Linslade will have to be rescheduled.

This is the second time this season that the Town have missed out on a Cup game. In the First Round of the Women's FA Cup, we were awarded the tie as Inter Cardiff could not raise a team because many of their players were university students, who had not returned to start the academic year.

Swindon Ladies are continuing the training sessions, held jointly with the Community Office. All girls, between the ages of six and sixteen, are welcome to come



along. The sessions are held Tuesday evenings between six and seven on the County Ground Extension.

Players over sixteen can join in the senior group that starts at 7 o'clock. Anyone interested please contact Kerie on Swindon (01793) 430430.



**Clare Tyson now in her third season with the club.**

**By Roger Reeves**

## Southern Region League Division 2 Fixtures & Results

DATE	OPPONENTS	
Sun 3 Sept	Milton Keynes United	A 4-0
Sun 10 Sept	Reading Royals	A 4-1
	FA Cup 1st Round	H w/o
Sun 17 Sept	Eastleigh	H 4-0
Sun 1 Oct	Basingstoke Town	A 8-0
Sun 8 Oct	Gosport	H 4-2
Sun 15 Oct	Plymouth Pilgrims (FAC 2)	A 0-3
Sun 22 Oct	Oxford University	H 5-1
Sun 29 Oct	Thame	A 5-1
Sun 5 Nov	Milton Keynes United	H 13-0
Sun 19 Nov	Eastleigh	A 7-0
Sun 26 Nov	Leighton Linslade	A 7-0
Sun 3 Dec	Basingstoke Town	H 18-0
Sun 10 Dec	Gosport	A 5-3
Sun 17 Dec	Bracknell Town (LCPR)	A 4-0
Sun 14 Jan	Carterton	H 1-1
Sun 21 Jan	Oxford University	A 5-3
Sun 4 Feb	Thame	H 2-0
Sun 18 Feb	Oxford United (LC1)	H w/o
Sun 25 Feb	Aldershot (LC2)	A
TBA	Leighton Linslade	H
TBA	Carterton	A
TBA	Reading Royals	H

All home games are played on the County Ground Extension and kick-off at 2.00pm.

## Southern Region League Division 2 as at 16 February 1996

	HOME			AWAY			Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	
SWINDON TOWN	15	14	1	0	92	12	43
Reading Royals	12	11	0	1	63	13	33
Thame United	13	9	1	3	44	18	28
Gosport	14	9	0	5	49	34	27
Oxford University	11	5	1	5	35	24	16
Milton Keynes United	13	4	4	5	26	40	16
Basingstoke Town	13	3	0	10	17	64	9
Eastleigh	15	2	1	12	21	71	7
Leighton Linslade	10	2	0	8	7	47	6
Carterton	14	1	2	11	9	40	5

## Player Appearances as at 16 February 1996

	Apps	Goals
Kerie Garwood	17	32
Jane Hawkins	1	0
Justine Hume	11	3
Pam Laker	13	8
Nadine Lloyd	17	37
Tracy Mackeddle	4	0
Deb Martin	16	6
Vikki McCann	16	0
Sarah Privett	13	0
Kim Reeves	13	3
Alison Richards	4	0
Jo Sharpe	16	0
Clare Tyson	15	0
Clare Wheeler	15	7
Netti Wyness	13	0



# ReservesReview



By Ross MacLaren

## Avon Insurance Combination Division 1 Fixtures & Results

DATE	OPPONENTS	
Mon 14 Aug	LUTON TOWN	H** 1-1
Wed 23 Aug	Norwich City	A 0-0
Mon 28 Aug	OXFORD UNITED	H** 0-0
Wed 06 Sept	Southampton	A 1-4
Mon 11 Sept	ARSENAL	H** 1-1
Mon 18 Sept	Bristol Rovers	A 1-2
Mon 25 Sept	CHELSEA	H** 1-2
Mon 02 Oct	Millwall	A 1-1
Mon 09 Oct	WIMBLEDON	H** 0-0
Mon 16 Oct	TOTTENHAM H.	H** 1-2
Tue 24 Oct	Portsmouth	A 1-1
Mon 30 Oct	Q.P.R.	H** 1-1
Tue 07 Nov	Watford	A 1-2
Mon 13 Nov	CRYSTAL PALACE	H 0-0
Mon 20 Nov	West Ham United	A 0-3
Thu 30 Nov	Bristol City	A 0-1
Wed 20 Dec	Ipswich Town	A 0-1
Wed 03 Jan	Oxford United	A 2-3
Sat 13 Jan	Arsenal	A 0-1
Mon 15 Jan	SOUTHAMPTON	H 0-0
Mon 22 Jan	BRISTOL ROVERS	H 3-1
Tues 30 Jan	Chelsea	A 0-3
Wed 14 Feb	Wimbledon	A 3-0
Mon 26 Feb	PORTSMOUTH	H
Tue 05 Mar	Q.P.R.	A
Mon 11 Mar	WATFORD	H
Mon 18 Mar	CHARLTON ATH.	H
Wed 20 Mar	Crystal Palace	A
Mon 25 Mar	WEST HAM UNITED	H
Wed 27 Mar	MILLWALL	A
Wed 10 Apr	BRIGHTON & H.A.	H
Wed 17 Apr	Charlton Athletic	A
Mon 22 Apr	IPSWICH TOWN	H
Wed 24 Apr	NORWICH CITY	H
Mon 29 Apr	BRISTOL CITY	H
Wed 01 May	Luton Town	A
TBA	Brighton & Hove Albion	A
TBA	Tottenham Hotspur	A

Home games are played at either the County Ground, Swindon or Witney Town F.C. (games marked\*) with both venue and time of kick off subject to change.



## Avon Insurance Combination as at 14 February 1996

	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Tottenham Hotspur	24	9	1	3	9	1	1	51	22	56	29
Arsenal	24	9	1	2	5	6	1	48	24	49	24
Norwich City	25	6	3	2	5	4	3	49	30	46	19
Wimbledon	26	8	3	4	6	1	4	49	38	46	11
Queens Park Rangers	22	9	0	2	5	1	5	43	30	43	13
Chelsea	23	7	2	4	5	2	3	36	26	40	10
Crystal Palace	23	3	4	2	7	5	2	27	18	39	9
Southampton	25	6	5	1	3	3	7	35	30	35	5
West Ham United	22	5	4	2	4	1	8	37	33	32	4
Luton Town	23	6	2	4	2	3	6	32	32	29	0
Oxford United	25	3	3	4	4	5	6	38	43	29	-5
Bristol City	23	3	1	7	5	2	5	32	30	27	-7
Ipswich Town	20	4	3	4	2	3	4	32	29	24	3
Charlton Athletic	18	3	1	3	3	4	4	26	34	23	-6
Brighton & Hove Alb.	21	6	3	3	0	2	7	22	39	23	-17
Bristol Rovers	23	4	0	6	3	1	9	33	49	22	-16
Millwall	23	3	5	5	1	2	7	30	48	19	-18
Portsmouth	21	2	5	4	2	2	6	20	40	19	-20
Swindon Town	23	1	7	2	1	2	10	18	36	15	-18
Watford	22	4	0	8	0	3	7	21	41	15	-20



*Having at long last gained our first away win of the season at Wimbledon we went in good heart to take on Tottenham Hotspur at St Albans City F.C. in the Avon Insurance Combination last Monday night.*

With the Spurs first team in F.A. Cup action at Nottingham Forest we were hopeful of not too many with Premiership experience lining up against us.

As it was we had to contend with Erik Thorstvedt in goal along with Jason Cundy and former Swindon defender David Kerslake.

When we arrived at the ground the pitch was a bit hard but perfectly playable but as at the City Ground the snow came down right on kick off and it was hard to see the other side of the ground at times and with Spurs playing in their white strip it was just as difficult to see their players!

Spurs were not prepared for the weather as they did not have an orange ball but fortunately we took

with us one of our Mitre Delta footballs which change colour in the event of cold weather.

It soon became evident however that even with the orange ball the players did not know where it was until it hit them.

After twenty minutes the game became quite farcical and as we had conceded two goals which I could not even see I wasn't at all disappointed when the referee abandoned the game.

## Reserve Team Appearances as at 21 February 1996

	Apps	Goals
P. ALLEN	1	0
J. BEAUCHAMP	5	0
P. BODIN	2	0
A. BROWN	2	0
P. BRUNO	1	0
S. CAMPBELL	0(1)	0
L. COLLINS	8	0
M. COUPE	1(1)	0
F. DIGBY	3	0
J. DRYSDALE	10	0
A. FINLAYSON	4(7)	0
S. FINNEY	4	3
T. GOODEN	10	3
J. HAINES	2	0
I. HARVEY	3(10)	0
J. HOLLOWAY	17(3)	0
D. HOOPER	16	1
K. HORLOCK	1	0
A. HUGHES	4(2)	0
B. KILCLINE	4	0
J. LAIDLAW	17(5)	3
M. LING	8	0
J. MARKS	2	0
L. MIDDLETON	2(3)	0
S. MILDENHALL	9(4)	0
E. MURRAY	15	0
A. MUTCH	11(1)	3
W. O'SULLIVAN	5	2
G. PEARCE	1(7)	0
J. PITMAN	13	0
M. RAWLINGS	1	0
M. SEAGRAVES	2	0
A. SMITH	4	0
B. SMITH	2	0
R. SOLTER	4(4)	0
F. TALIA	10	0
S. TAYLOR	1	0
S. THOMAS	0(3)	0
A. THOMSON	9	0
G. THORNE	18	0
P. THORNE	4	2
J. TONER	1	0
A. VIVEASH	3	0
P. WHARTON	2	0
S. WIMBLE	5(5)	0
C. WOODMAN	1	0
S. WOODMAN	0(7)	0
B. WORRALL	14(7)	1

**Result:**  
**Avon Insurance Combination**  
**Tottenham Hotspur 2 Swindon Town 0**  
(Match abandoned after 20 minutes - snow)

**Team:** Talia, Murray, Drysdale, O'Sullivan, Seagraves, Thorne G, Hooper, Collins, Finney, Laidlaw, Smith A. **Subs:** Holloway, Worrall, Finlayson





# Youth Team Focus



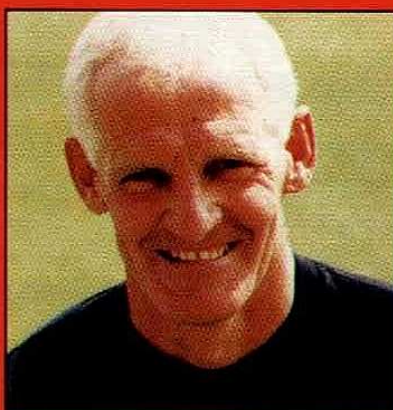
*As I mentioned in the programme on Wednesday, the second year trainees who have been released have shown excellent commitment and have continued to train and play.*

Obviously it is a very hard time for them but they must not let it get them down. If they continue playing well and are able to make a few Reserve Team appearances for Ross, they could well get invited for trials at other clubs and hopefully be offered something elsewhere.

Something else for the lads to look forward to is our trip to Holland at Easter when we will be competing in the International Youth Tournament again in Veenendaal.

We have won the competition for the last two years and will naturally be going for the hat-trick.

However we have been warned that due to the popularity of the Tournament several of the larger Dutch teams have asked to take part and this year we can expect to come up against Feyenoord



Rotherham, Sparta Rotterdam and NEC Nijmegen, in addition to teams from Sweden, Germany, Belgium and others from the host country.

We will also be able to have a guided tour when we arrive in Holland around the new Amsterdam Arena which is to be the new home of the mighty Ajax. They had started building the Stadium when we were in Holland last year and this new showpiece even dwarfs Old Trafford.

This morning we travelled to meet Wycombe Wanderers in the South East Counties League, hopefully the first in a winning double for the club as the First Team are there next Saturday.

By John Trollope

## South East Counties League Division 2 Fixtures & Results

DATE	OPPONENTS	
Sat 12 Aug	Barnet	A 1-2
Sat 19 Aug	LUTON TOWN	H 1-3
Sat 26 Aug	Southampton	A 0-2
Sat 02 Sept	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H 1-1
Tue 05 Sept	SHREWSBURY TOWN (MYC 2)	H 2-0
Sat 09 Sept	Bristol Rovers	A 1-0
Sat 16 Sept	BARNET (LC1)	H 4-1
Sat 23 Sept	CRYSTAL PALACE	H 0-4
Tue 26 Sept	Cardiff City (SJFC 1)	A 1-0
Sat 30 Sept	READING	H 1-1
Sat 07 Oct	Colchester United	A 0-2
Sat 14 Oct	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H 2-1
Sat 21 Oct	Oxford United (LC2)	A 1-1
Mon 23 Oct	LEICESTER CITY (MYC Q/F)	H 1-1
Sat 28 Oct	Oxford United (LC 2R)	A 1-3
Tue 31 Oct	Watford (SJFC 2)	A 2-3
Sat 04 Nov	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H 1-1
Sat 11 Nov	Bristol City	A 0-0
Wed 15 Nov	CRYSTAL PALACE (FAYC 2)	H 0-2
Sat 18 Nov	WIMBLEDON	H 4-1
Sat 25 Nov	BRISTOL ROVERS	H 2-1
Sat 02 Dec	Brentford	A 1-2
Wed 13 Dec	Leicester City (MYC Q/F R)	A 2-4
Sat 16 Dec	Brighton & Hove Albion	A 1-3
Sat 06 Jan	Luton Town	A 1-3
Sat 13 Jan	SOUTHAMPTON	H 0-6
Sat 20 Jan	Tottenham Hotspur	A 0-0
Sat 03 Feb	Crystal Palace	A 2-3
Sat 17 Feb	COLCHESTER UNITED	H 5-0
Sat 24 Feb	Wycombe Wanderers	A
Sat 02 Mar	OXFORD UNITED	H
Sat 09 Mar	AFC Bournemouth	A
Sat 16 Mar	BRISTOL CITY	H
Sat 23 Mar	Wimbledon	A
Sat 30 Mar	BRENTFORD	H
TBA	Oxford United	A
TBA	BRIGHTON & HOVE A.	H
TBA	BARNET	H
TBA	Reading	A

All home League games are played at The Allied Dunbar Training Centre, Wanborough kicking off at 11.00am.



Swindon Town 1995-96 Youth Team

## South East Counties League Division 2 as at 17 February 1996

	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Crystal Palace	20	9	1	0	7	2	1	60	18	35	42
Luton Town	20	6	2	3	5	1	5	40	27	25	13
Wycombe Wanderers	22	6	1	3	5	2	5	36	35	25	1
AFC Bournemouth	20	5	2	2	5	2	4	37	34	24	3
Southampton	21	8	1	3	2	1	6	38	20	22	18
Oxford United	19	4	1	2	6	1	5	37	27	22	10
Brentford	22	8	2	3	1	2	6	29	34	22	-5
Wimbledon	18	6	1	3	4	0	4	38	25	21	13
Barnet	22	5	3	4	2	4	4	30	29	21	1
Tottenham Hotspur	20	5	3	2	2	4	4	38	38	21	0
Brighton & Hove Alb.	19	6	0	5	3	2	3	26	28	20	-2
Bristol City	21	1	5	5	4	1	5	28	36	16	-18
Bristol Rovers	21	3	2	8	2	3	5	27	37	15	-10
Swindon Town	20	4	3	3	1	2	7	24	36	15	-12
Reading	21	4	1	4	2	2	6	23	56	15	-33
Colchester United	22	1	3	4	1	2	11	21	52	9	-31



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## **DidYOUknow?**

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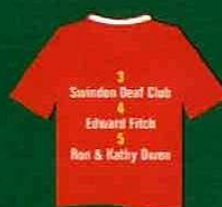
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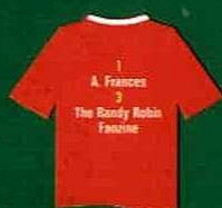
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# Winning WAYS

By Dave Hollister

**NEST-EGG  
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## F.A. Cup Round 4

Ticket No. 26173 won £612 for Mr. J.N. Henley of Swindon in the Nest Egg half-time draw vs Oldham Athletic on Monday 12th February.

## F.A. Cup Round 5

Against Southampton - on Saturday 17th February, Mrs Marion Johns of Westlea, Swindon collected £1,000 after the game in return for ticket No. 22338

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# Benno!



By Colin Benson

***The Nottingham Forest versus Tottenham Hotspur FA Cup tie abandoned in the 15th minute in a blizzard. Tottenham Hotspur Reserves versus Swindon Town Reserves abandoned after 20 minutes for similar reason. Such was the tale last Monday evening as soccer succumbed to the ravages of winter.***

It was a bitter blow also surely to those calling for a mid-winter break to our season. For once again the unpredictability of our weather, and when it will strike, remains an unanswerable conundrum.

Say for instance we had shut down for January where would we be now? No sooner had we restarted than we would be stopping again: Victims of mother nature.

And it is not only a congestion of fixtures piling up that we have to concern ourselves with but the financial aspects too. No football in January (or whenever) means no revenue coming into the coffers and whether we would make that revenue up in the warmer months. When so many other activities are available to tempt the paying customers away, is debatable.

I'm not even sure that it would be a good thing for the players either. We hear time and again the comment from our stars that they would rather play than train but if we had a shut-down for a month or less you can bet they would not be free to put their feet up and relax. They would be in training for at least three weeks and to make sure they were match-fit they would be playing friendlies.

If such a move does transpire I can see the likes of Tottenham, Manchester United, Liverpool and Leeds jetting off to Saudi Arabia and other such venues to play exhibition matches and reap in the

dosh. Such opportunities would not be on offer to the likes of us of course.

We all become frustrated when games we have built-up for and looked forward to are wiped out by inclement conditions but really there is no simple answer to the problems. In many European countries they have no alternative but to close down because of the weather but in most of these places it is possible to forecast pretty accurately the periods of bad weather. Here, it could be any time - there is even on record snow affecting a cricket match in August!

The irony of it all is that postponed matches affect the successful clubs, such as ourselves, more than the others. Because of our success in the FA Cup we are involved in more fixtures and consequently any deviations such as postponements or replays makes our schedule that more difficult to re-arrange.

The only real solution is to cut down the number of games played in a season and that means reducing the size of the League which in turn reduces the revenue through the turnstiles. Perhaps it would be better to leave it as it is after all.

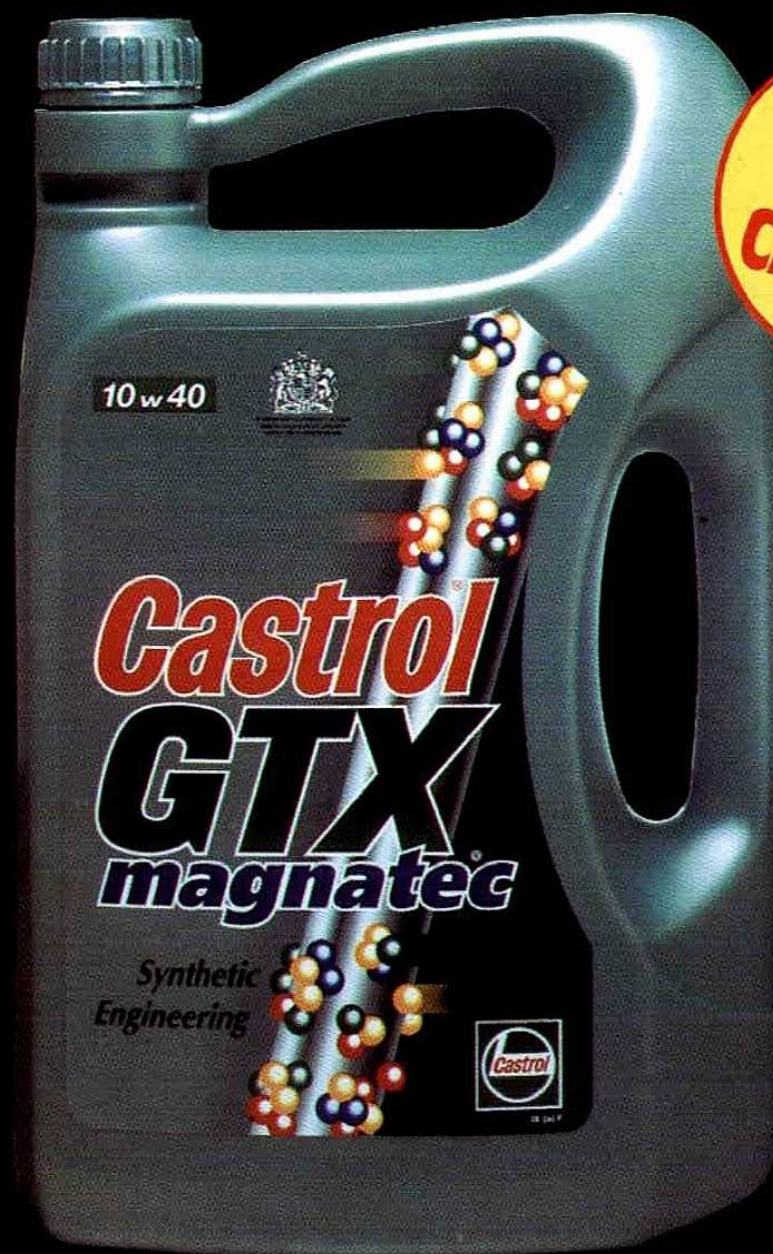
***Fraser Digby has blamed himself for Southampton's equaliser. He feels he should have come off his line to punch away the cross and so deny the Saints the***

***chance to equalise. No one else though has pointed the finger at our masterful custodian who like all good goalkeepers hates to be beaten. No doubt a clean-sheet this afternoon will help him feel better; and he can still make his point by helping us win at The Dell.***



Fraser Digby





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# Captain's Column

With Team Captain Shaun Taylor

***As I stated in my notes in last Wednesday's programme everyone here is concentrating on the League and doing their best to try and win promotion to the First Division. It goes without saying that this afternoon's derby with Bristol Rovers is the only thing that matters right now but as I will not have another opportunity to mention the Cup before our replay at The Dell on Wednesday I will say a few words here.***

It would not be stating the truth if I did not admit that the prospects of going to Old Trafford have not crossed our minds. It is a fabulous draw. If you get through to the quarter-final you are invariably going to come against one of the big guns be it Leeds, Liverpool, Aston Villa, or whoever first of all we have a big big job to do at Southampton.

If we can get through that game, and I can't see why not if we hit top form and it is our night, then obviously a trip to Manchester United will not only be a great day for players and fans but for the club itself. The lads are confident we are going to perform well down there anyway, and that is a bonus but obviously Southampton will also be stimulated by the prospect of going to United and with home territory and being a Premiership side must be favourites. But I think you will find the lads are looking forward to the battle.

But first things first and it is possibly good for us that we have a derby game this afternoon for there is no room for complacency on occasions like these. We have not played Rovers at home in the League for some time so this will be a big game.

We had a good win at their place earlier in the season when Kevin Horlock scored a hat-trick and I managed to notch one in but we are all looking forward to the challenge. The fans on both sides

enjoy the local rivalry and we are looking forward to a good entertaining game.

Really this is like a Cup for us. We are not going to be fooled by them. Rovers had a very good run after a poor start and are now serious contenders in the Play-Off positions. So we know it is not going to be an easy game. They always seem to make it tough for us here while we perform quite well there. But they are on a run and we want to stop that and get ourselves three points.

They have some good players, people like Marcus Stewart - though there have been rumours he is on his way but more than likely he will play against us - and the lad Beadle who seems to have been doing quite well for them of late. It is going to be no easy task. But being a derby it is like another little Cup tie so if we can raise ourselves as we have done in other major Cup games then hopefully we will collect the three points.

Form tends to go out of the window in derby clashes but I have always enjoyed playing against the Bristol sides. They are all good games and it helps that the fans enjoy them too and if they get behind us it will be a great boost.

It is a funny League with results up and down but at the end of the day it is down to what we do. If we can keep winning then we will be top of the League at the end of the season and this is what we



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# Centre of Excellence

With Youth Development Officer Tommy Wheeldon

*The next few weeks in the lives of the boys who attend our Centre of Excellence are really important.*

Decisions on their future have to be made and believe me it is not an easy task as boys change so much in such a small space of time.

The coaches of all age groups will be sitting down with John Trollope and myself within the next month to plan out our policy for next year.

Places are limited at the Centre of Excellence to twenty per age group and with this in mind I have created a number of Soccer Centres throughout the region to place lads who have been released so that we might continue to monitor their footballing ability and hopefully invite them back to the Centre of Excellence at a later stage.



Boys who have left the Centre in the past have usually joined a local club side but now they will be offered the opportunity to remain in touch with Swindon Town and hopefully force their way back into the elitist club at the Centre of Excellence.


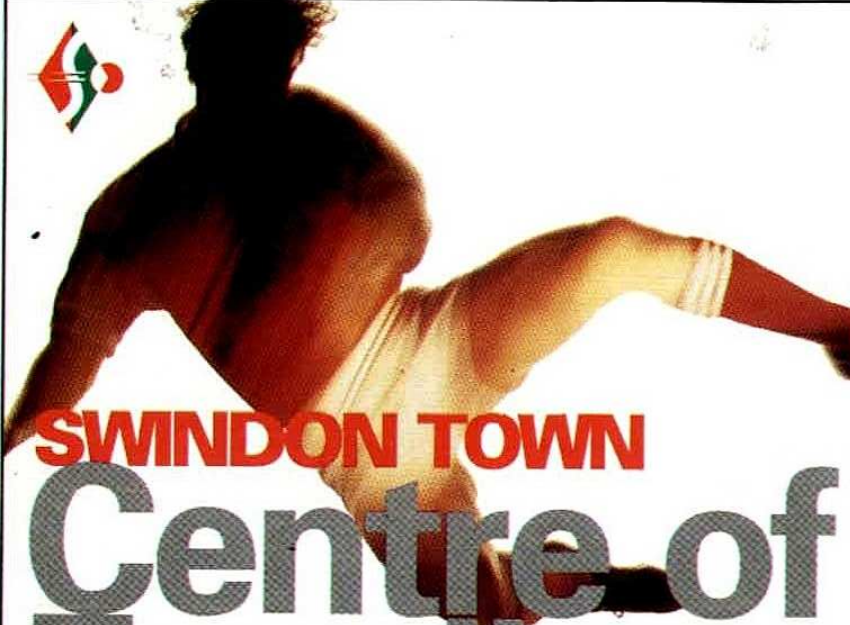
The idea of the Soccer Centres is to be in touch with the local talent and monitor new and exciting ability and prepare them for greater heights if possible.

We now have over twenty F.A. coaches working at the Soccer Centre all feeding me useful information and coaching boys and girls of varying abilities.

Decisions will be made on our existing boys but there is still a long way to go for them yet. In fact on joining the Centre of Excellence the hard work has only just begun.



*Grant Pinkey  
from the U13  
squad with  
Mark  
Robinson*




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	P	W	D	L	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	GD
SWINDON TOWN	28	8	6	1	8	3	2	47	20	57	27	
BLACKPOOL	30	9	4	2	6	5	4	47	28	54	19	
CREWE ALEXANDRA	28	9	2	2	6	4	5	50	31	51	19	
NOTTS COUNTY	26	8	2	3	5	6	2	36	21	47	15	
CHESTERFIELD	26	10	3	1	3	4	5	42	28	46	14	
STOCKPORT COUNTY	31	4	6	5	8	3	5	41	32	45	9	
WREXHAM	28	7	6	1	3	8	3	44	33	44	11	
BRISTOL ROVERS	30	6	3	6	6	5	4	38	40	44	-2	
BRADFORD CITY	29	8	2	4	4	3	8	39	45	41	-6	
OXFORD UNITED	29	10	2	2	1	6	8	37	32	41	5	
AFC BOURNEMOUTH	30	9	3	4	3	2	9	35	43	41	-8	
BURNLEY	28	7	6	3	3	3	6	42	38	39	4	
SHREWSBURY TOWN	30	6	3	5	5	3	8	39	42	39	-3	
WYCOMBE WANDERERS	29	4	7	2	5	5	6	36	33	39	3	
ROTHERHAM UNITED	30	9	4	3	1	4	9	36	42	38	-6	
BRISTOL CITY	31	7	4	5	2	7	6	32	40	38	-8	
WALSALL	27	4	7	2	5	2	7	30	23	36	7	
PETERBOROUGH UNITED	28	5	5	4	3	5	6	43	42	34	1	
BRENTFORD	29	8	2	5	0	6	8	30	37	32	-7	
CARLISLE UNITED	30	6	5	3	1	5	10	38	49	31	-11	
YORK CITY	27	5	4	5	3	2	8	33	44	30	-11	
BRIGHTON & HOVE A.	29	3	5	7	3	3	8	28	45	26	-17	
SWANSEA CITY	31	3	7	5	2	3	11	28	56	25	-28	
HULL CITY	28	1	5	7	1	6	8	20	47	17	-27	

## First Team Appearances as at 21 February 1996

	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL	
	APPS.	GOALS	APPS.	GOALS	APPS.	GOALS
PAUL ALLEN	12(1)	0	5	1	17(1)	1
WAYNE ALLISON	26	11	11	3	37	14
JOEY BEAUCHAMP	1(3)	0	0(1)	1	1(4)	1
PAUL BODIN	20(2)	2	9	0	31(2)	2
LEE COLLINS	0(2)	0	1	0	1(2)	0
IAN CULVERHOUSE	28	0	10	0	38	0
FRASER DIGBY	18(8)	0	10	0	28(8)	0
JASON DRYSDALE	6(1)	0	3(2)	0	9(3)	0
STEVE FINNEY	19(7)	11	8(4)	4	27(11)	15
SHAY GIVEN	5	0	0	0	5	0
TY GOODEN	9(16)	2	6(4)	1	15(20)	3
TONY GRANT	3	1	0	0	3	1
DEAN HOOPER	0(2)	0	2(2)	0	2(4)	0
KEVIN HORLOCK	25(1)	6	9(3)	4	34(4)	10
MARTIN LING	8(5)	0	5	1	13(6)	1
STEVE McMAHON	20	0	7(2)	0	27(2)	0
STEVE MILDENHALL	0(2)	0	2	0	2(2)	0
EDWIN MURRAY	3(10)	1	2(3)	0	5(13)	1
LUC NIJHOLT	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0(2)	0
WAYNE O'SULLIVAN	21(3)	3	5(3)	0	26(6)	3
JAMIE PITMAN	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0(2)	0
MARK ROBINSON	28	1	10(1)	0	38(1)	1
MARK SEAGRAVES	16(1)	0	8(1)	0	24(2)	0
ALEX SMITH	0(3)	0	0(1)	0	0(4)	0
FRANK TALIA	5(7)	0	0(1)	0	5(8)	0
SHAUN TAYLOR	25	3	12	0	37	3
GARY THORNE	0	0	1(1)	0	1(1)	0
PETER THORNE	9(5)	5	5(4)	1	14(9)	6

## Season 1995/96 Fixtures

Opponents	Res
Sat 12 Aug Hull City	A 1-0
Tue 15 Aug Cambridge United (CCC 1-1)	A 1-2
Sat 19 Aug YORK CITY	H 3-0
Wed 23 Aug CAMBRIDGE UTD (CCC 1-2)	H 2-0
Sat 26 Aug Carlisle United	A 1-0
Wed 30 Aug OXFORD UNITED	H 1-1
Sat 02 Sept Brentford	A 2-0
Sat 09 Sept CHESTERFIELD	H 1-1
Wed 13 Sept BRADFORD CITY	H 4-1
Sat 16 Sept Bristol Rovers	A 4-1
Wed 20 Sept BLACKBURN ROVERS (CCC 2-1)	H 2-3
Sat 23 Sept ROTHERHAM UNITED	H 1-0
Sat 30 Sept Wrexham	A 3-4
Wed 04 Oct Blackburn Rovers (CCC 2-2)	A 0-2
Sat 07 Oct BRISTOL CITY	H 2-0
Sat 14 Oct Brighton & Hove Albion	A 3-1
Tue 17 Oct Torquay United (AWS 1-1)	A 1-1
Sat 21 Oct CREWE ALEXANDRA	H 2-1
Sat 28 Oct Notts County	A 3-1
Tue 31 Oct AFC Bournemouth	A 0-0
Sat 04 Nov BLACKPOOL	H 1-1
Wed 08 Nov COLCHESTER UNITED (AWS 1-2)	H 2-0
Sat 11 Nov CAMBRIDGE UNITED (FAC 1)	H 4-1
Sat 18 Nov Stockport County	A 1-1
Sat 25 Nov SHREWSBURY TOWN	H 0-1
Wed 29 Nov HEREFORD UNITED (AWS 2)	H 0-1
Sat 02 Dec CARDIFF CITY (FAC 2)	H 2-0
Sat 09 Dec Rotherham United	A 2-0
Sat 16 Dec WREXHAM	H 1-1
Sat 23 Dec Walsall	A 0-0
Tue 26 Dec WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H 0-0
Sat 06 Jan WOKING (FAC 3)	H 2-0
Wed 10 Jan SWANSEA CITY	H 3-0
Sat 13 Jan York City	A 0-2
Sat 20 Jan HULL CITY	H 3-0
Sat 03 Feb CARLISLE UNITED	H 2-1
Sat 10 Feb Swansea City	A 1-0
Mon 12 Feb OLDHAM ATHLETIC (FAC 4)	H 1-0
Sat 17 Feb SOUTHAMPTON (FAC 5)	H 1-1
Wed 21 Feb BRENTFORD	H 2-2
Sat 24 Feb BRISTOL ROVERS	H
Wed 28 Feb Southampton (FAC 5 Replay)	A
Sat 02 Mar Wycombe Wanderers	A
Tue 05 Mar Peterborough United	A
Sat 09 Mar WALSALL	H
Tues 12 Mar Bradford City	A
Sat 16 Mar Burnley	A
Tue 19 Mar Oxford United	A
Sat 23 Mar PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H
Sat 30 Mar Bristol City	A
Wed 03 Apr BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H
Sat 06 Apr NOTTS COUNTY	H
Mon 08 Apr Crewe Alexandra	A
Sat 13 Apr AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H
Wed 17 Apr BURNLEY	H
Sat 20 Apr Blackpool	A
Sat 27 Apr Shrewsbury Town	A
Tue 23 Apr Chesterfield	A
Sat 04 May STOCKPORT COUNTY	H



# 995/96 Fixtures



Att.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
6,525	GIVEN	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 1	ALLISON	GOODEN	BODIN o	NUHOLT	MILDENHALL
2,530	MILDENHALL	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON	GOODEN 1	HORLOCK o	NUHOLT o	MURRAY
7,746	GIVEN	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN 1	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 2	ALLISON	GOODEN	HORLOCK o	MURRAY	MILDENHALL
6,724	MILDENHALL	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	MURRAY	O'SULLIVAN	THORNE P	FINNEY	HORLOCK 1	HOOPER o	PITMAN	BEAUCHAMP o 1
6,325	GIVEN	CULVERHOUSE	HORLOCK	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	MURRAY 1	BEAUCHAMP	HOOPER	PITMAN	DIGBY
13,041	GIVEN	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	MURRAY o	BEAUCHAMP o	DIGBY
7,878	GIVEN	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN 1	FINNEY 1	ALLISON	HORLOCK	MURRAY o	BEAUCHAMP	DIGBY
8,667	TALIA	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	MURRAY	GOODEN o	DIGBY
8,203	TALIA	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON 1	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 1	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK 1	GOODEN o	BEAUCHAMP o	DIGBY
7,205	TALIA	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR 1	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	MURRAY	HORLOCK 3	GOODEN o	BEAUCHAMP	DIGBY
14,740	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 1	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	THORNE P	MURRAY	GOODEN o
8,473	TALIA	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON	HORLOCK	GOODEN o 1	THORNE P o	DIGBY
4,296	TALIA	CULVERHOUSE	HORLOCK	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	THORNE P 1	ALLISON 2	GOODEN	FINNEY	BODIN	DIGBY
16,924	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON	HORLOCK	GOODEN	HOOPER	MURRAY
11,797	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN 1	FINNEY	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	GOODEN	HOOPER	MURRAY
7,808	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 2	ALLISON	HORLOCK 1	ALLEN o	MURRAY	GOODEN
1,135	DIGBY	MURRAY	BODIN	ALLEN	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	LING 1	FINNEY	ALLISON	GOODEN	HORLOCK o	THORNE G o	O'SULLIVAN o
12,633	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	ALLEN	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 1	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	LING	MURRAY	GOODEN
8,725	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN 1	McMAHON	ALLEN	TAYLOR 2	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON	HORLOCK	LING	MURRAY	GOODEN
6,352	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	ALLEN	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON	HORLOCK	LING	MURRAY	GOODEN o
12,470	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	GOODEN	ALLEN	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 1	ALLISON	HORLOCK	LING o	MURRAY	DRYSDALE o
6,222	DIGBY	HOOPER	DRYSDALE	GOODEN	THORNE G	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	LING	FINNEY 1	ALLISON	HORLOCK	McMAHON o	O'SULLIVAN o	THORNE P o 1
7,383	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	ALLEN 1	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY 1	ALLISON	HORLOCK 2	DRYSDALE o	GOODEN o	THORNE P o
7,196	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	McMAHON	LING	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	THORNE P o	GOODEN	TALIA
9,306	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	McMAHON	LING	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	FINNEY	ALLISON	HORLOCK	THORNE P o	GOODEN o	TALIA
6,650	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	COLLINS	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	HOOPER	LING	THORNE P	ALLISON	GOODEN	FINNEY o	HORLOCK o	ROBINSON o
8,274	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	ALLEN	FINNEY 1	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	THORNE P	GOODEN	TALIA
3,042	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	ALLEN	FINNEY 2	ALLISON	HORLOCK	THORNE P	GOODEN	TALIA
8,418	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	McMAHON	ALLEN	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	GOODEN	FINNEY	ALLISON	HORLOCK	THORNE P o	O'SULLIVAN 1 o	TALIA
5,624	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	McMAHON	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	ALLEN	THORNE P	ALLISON	HORLOCK	GOODEN o	O'SULLIVAN o	TALIA
12,976	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	O'SULLIVAN	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	ALLEN	THORNE P	ALLISON	HORLOCK	GOODEN o	LING o	TALIA
10,322	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN 1	LING	SEAGRAVES	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	ALLEN	THORNE P	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	McMAHON o	FINNEY o	O'SULLIVAN
6,555	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	LING	SEAGRAVES	ALLEN	ROBINSON	O'SULLIVAN	THORNE P 2	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	GOODEN o	FINNEY o	TALIA
3,613	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	LING	MURRAY	O'SULLIVAN	ROBINSON	ALLEN	THORNE P	ALLISON	HORLOCK	GOODEN o	FINNEY o	SMITH A o
8,118	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	GOODEN	ALLEN	LING	ROBINSON	GRANT 1	THORNE P 1	ALLISON	HORLOCK 1	SMITH A o	O'SULLIVAN o	FINNEY o
8,242	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	GOODEN	LING	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	GRANT	THORNE P 1	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	FINNEY o	DRYSDALE	O'SULLIVAN
4,452	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	GOODEN	LING	TAYLOR 1	ROBINSON	GRANT	THORNE P	ALLISON	HORLOCK	FINNEY	SMITH A	COLLINS
9,508	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	GOODEN	ALLEN	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	McMAHON	THORNE P	ALLISON	HORLOCK	FINNEY o	SMITH A	LING o 1
15,035	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	BODIN	GOODEN	ALLEN	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	LING	THORNE P	ALLISON	HORLOCK 1	FINNEY o	DRYSDALE o	SEAGRAVES o
8,814	DIGBY	CULVERHOUSE	DRYSDALE	GOODEN 1	ALLEN	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	LING	THORNE P	ALLISON 1	HORLOCK	FINNEY o	COLLINS	SEAGRAVES

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# Team Sheet

## Swindon Town

1	Fraser Digby
2	Ian Culverhouse
3	Paul Bodin
4	Ty Gooden
5	Paul Allen
6	Shaun Taylor
7	Mark Robinson
8	Martin Ling
9	Peter Thorne
10	Wayne Allison
11	Kevin Horlock
12	Steve Finney
13	Jason Drysdale
14	Mark Seagraves

### Team Changes


## Bristol Rovers

1	Andy Collett
2	Justin Channing
3	Andy Gurney
4	Marcus Browning
5	Billy Clark
6	Andy Tillson
7	Worrell Sterling
8	Paul Miller
9	Marcus Stewart
10	Damien Matthew
11	Peter Beadle
12	Martin Paul
13	Shane Higgs
14	Ian Wright

### Team Changes


### Today's Officials:

	<b>Referee:</b> J.W. Lloyd (Wrexham, Chwyd)
	<b>Linesman (red/yellow flag):</b> L.E. Cable (Knaphill, Surrey)
	<b>Linesman (yellow flag):</b> K.S. Reynolds (East Barnet, Hertfordshire)
	<b>Reserve Official:</b> G. Merritt (Frenchay, Bristol)



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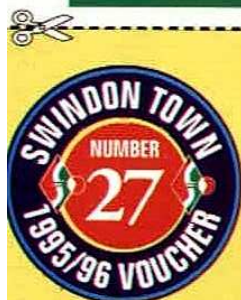


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