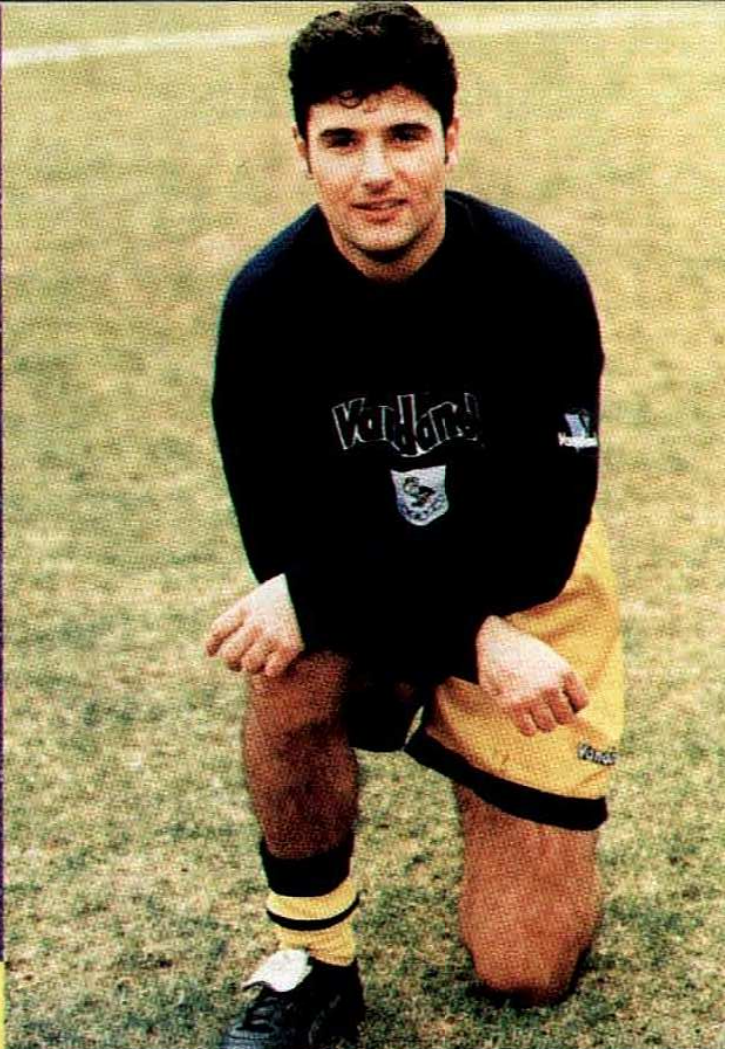




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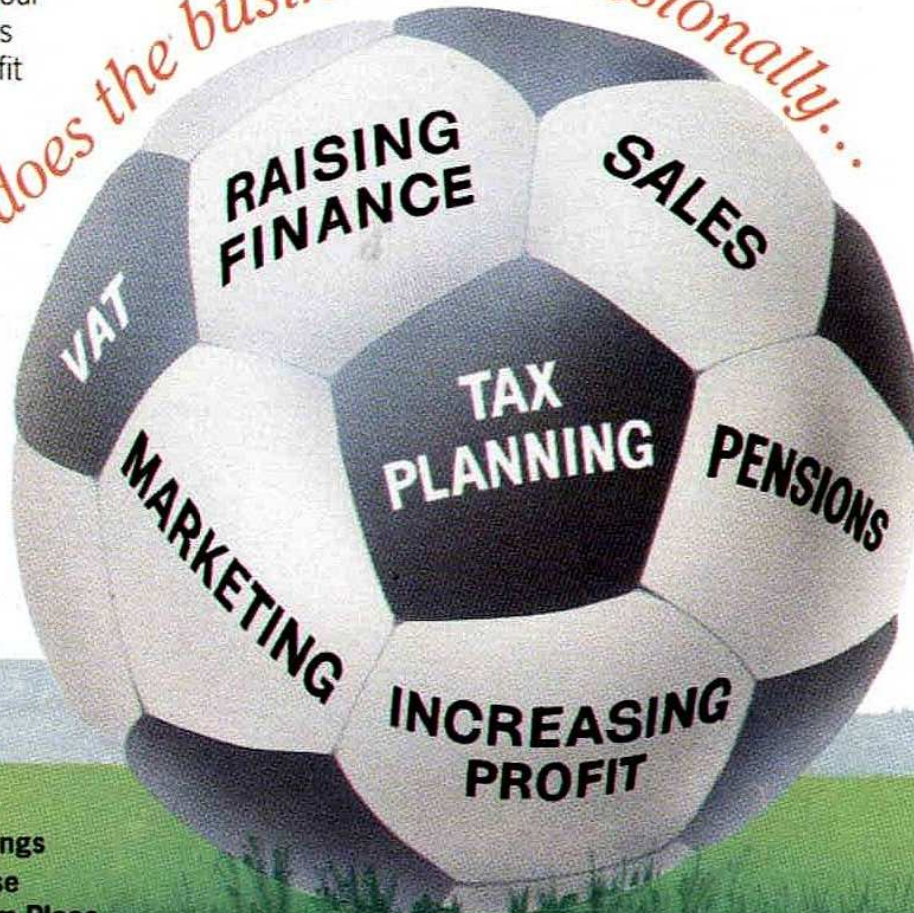
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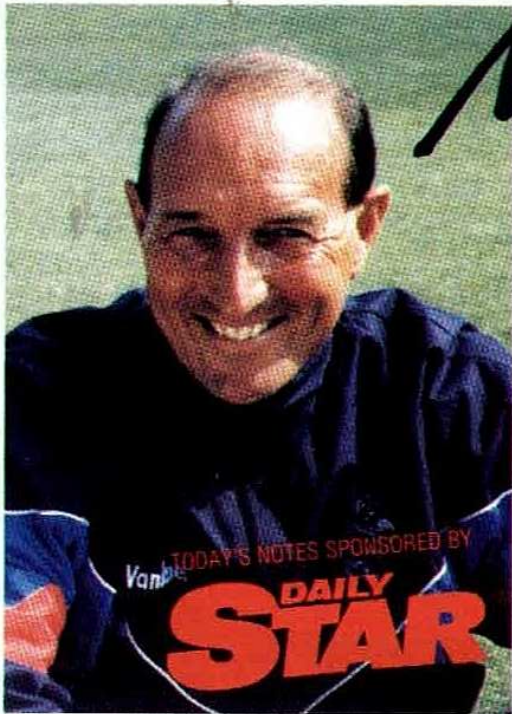
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Managers Notes

by Alan Smith

After our extremely good win on Saturday, decisions beyond our control made our game very difficult against Peterborough on Tuesday night.

Whilst Peterborough desperately needed the point to stay out of the relegation zone the game was marred by some very strong decisions by the officials.

We were well on top of the game in the opening stages and whilst we are not supposed to criticise officials, I was horrified to see our central defender, Terry Howard, lying concussed on the floor for some considerable time, while the referee allowed play to go on, and then one of their players received the ball and scored, whilst Terry was still on the ground awaiting treatment. I was told afterwards that he was putting their player not in an offside position.

The directives from both the Football League and the Football Association are quite clear - that if a player goes down with a head injury, play stops. This did not happen and I felt the decision completely altered the match.

Later on nearer the end of the game, one of the Peterborough players was sent off and this then incited the crowd. To make matters worse we then had four

players of our own booked with one being sent off, through the earlier incident, which could have been easily avoided. For anyone who reads my programme notes, I am in favour of a fourth referee, like in cricket and feel that this trouble could have been avoided. I have seen the video of the game and I will be sending the tape to the necessary hierarchy and will be speaking to Peterborough directly about the matter.

Today we welcome Swindon Town whose fortunes over the last few seasons have been dramatic, to say the least. It was only last season they were relegated - winning nine games at home and only three away - and it is all credit to their manager, Steve McMahon that they have been at the top of the division this season.

If you have been a Swindon supporter over the last few seasons you must have an extremely strong character as they were denied promotion to the Premier League due to irregular payments, which was no fault of the supporters at the time, and they have since seen the team fall from the Premier League under a succession of managers including, Lou Macari, Ossie Ardiles, Glenn Hoddie and John Gorman.

Swindon supporters will tell you that unfortunately life at the top is not easy and the higher you go the harder it gets. I am pleased now for their supporters, who really have had rough justice over the last few years, but have been strong enough to survive the pitfalls, without too many moans and groans and also while various players have gone through their ranks they have stood by the team.

Whilst I obviously wish them all success for the future we are obviously extremely keen to get back to winning ways today and I hope our own fans will continue to give us the excellent support we had last week and also appreciate that things change quickly and that the club is bigger than any one person in it.

Finally, our injuries continue to improve with Simon Stapleton and Matt Crossley now playing in the Reserves and with a few more matches under his belt I hope that Keith Ryan will be back to full match fitness after his extremely long lay-off.

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Corrections to Last Saturday's Quiz Answers
It has come to the editor's attention that regrettably the answers to the "Quick Ten" quiz which were printed on page 39 of the Stockport programme were incorrect. These should have been printed as:-
1. Danny Bergara 2. Asa Hartford 3. George Best
4. Andy Thorpe 5. £800,000 6. Stoke City and Port Vale
7. Heaton Norris Rovers 8. Alun Armstrong
9. Jim Gannon 10. Blyth Spartans
Many apologies for all the inconvenience thereby caused.

Milestones
John Williams' hat-trick last Saturday was the first in the Football League at Adams Park and is the first at home since 31st August 1991 when Mickey Nuttall scored three in the 4-2 win over Altrincham. Dave Carroll's splendid effort puts him level with Miquel Desouza on 17 as our all-time leading Football League scorer. The game was also Dave's 150th first-class one for the club and his 50th consecutive appearance.
The win was our 50th in the Football League (in 118 games).

Shanahan's Sidelines

by Mark Shanahan

So, roll on the League leaders. Now, I haven't got the benefit of knowing how Wanderers got on at Peterborough on Tuesday night, but I bet that last Saturday's comprehensive splattering of Stockport will have boosted the confidence of a few people around Adams Park. At their best, Wycombe are a match for anyone in the Division, and today's match really could sizzle. Too often in the last couple of seasons Wycombe have come unstuck against some pretty poor opposition and saved the best form for matches involving top sides.

Now, of course, it doesn't always happen - just think of Birmingham here in the Spring. But without having to resort to the record books, I can think of Oxford (home and away - and away again), Birmingham at St Andrews, Huddersfield (again the double!) Coventry here in the Coca Cola and Bradford when they were riding high earlier this season who've all been dispatched with performances beyond expectations. Even the point at the County Ground over Christmas was an unexpected bonus.

Swindon, of course, are having a great season - again, perhaps beyond the expectations of many. Back before the season started, and with the Robins having gone through successive relegations I was asked by a magazine called Matchday to do a profile on the Swindon side and their prospects in Division Two. I can't claim to have got a lot of help officially from the County Ground, but I did find plenty among the fans and local media prepared to sharpen the knife poised over Swindon manager Steve McMahon at the time. Strangely, McMahon has more than dodged the knife, while the magazine has got the chop.

McMahon had arrived in Swindon almost half way through last season as the skids were setting in under the side again. Their brief foray into the Premiership under John Gorman had been decidedly unsuccessful - never off the bottom - and, while the gregarious Scot seemed to have things sorted in the early weeks of last season, poor results lost him his job by the Autumn.

McMahon arrived completely green to managership, stepping straight out of the Premiership with Manchester City to what fast became a relegation struggle. He inherited a patchwork squad that wasn't quite good enough for the Premiership - but was paid to play at that level.

Slowly but surely he weeded out those who didn't really want to give 110 per cent for Swindon and those who were just coasting - no matter what colours they wore. A little like a bull in a china shop he ruffled the feathers of players, fans and press alike and, unfortunately, he couldn't perform his turn-around in time to save Swindon from the ignominy of two relegations on the trot.

So, by the time I got to speaking to people in the town about the team's prospects of a quick return to Division One, opinion was that McMahon wouldn't be given as long as Gorman had enjoyed to prove himself. Popular opinion was that Town needed good results quickly to ensure McMahon kept his rear-end firmly in the hot seat.

Give him due credit, he has more than repaid the faith of his Board, and has overcome the prejudices of the fans through performances that put Swindon on line for automatic promotion - at least before 3 p.m. today. McMahon asked to be judged on his team, not the one he inherited and, truly, I reckon they've had to install a revolving door at the County Ground in the last year. You'll have to look elsewhere around the League for the likes of Nicky Hammond, Keith Scott, Jan Aage Fjortoft, Andy Mutch, Joey Beauchamp, Luc Nijholt, Brian Kilcline, Austin Berkely, Adrian Viveash and one or two others who regularly made the side before he arrived. But their replacements, the likes of Wayne Allison, Peter Thorne and Steve Finney have all come up with the goods and ensured an enviable 17 wins from 29 starts this season.

They've been buoyed at the back by players who were always good but now seem to have an extra bit of confidence - the likes of Ian Culverhouse, Paul Bodin and Kevin Horlock. Their experience - boosted by McMahon when fit - has meant that Swindon have suffered only three defeats to date and have enjoyed a great F.A. Cup run culminating in the trip to Southampton last Wednesday.

It doesn't take a genius to draw parallels between Steve McMahon's situation and that of Alan Smith, but the Bald Eagle still has time to put Wycombe back in the promotion frame in his first campaign. Going one better than the County Ground performance could lift Wanderers right back into play-off contention, so what price a Division One Wycombe-Swindon battle next season?



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'Ringing the Blues' with Alan Hutchinson



Last Saturday the team put on a performance of real quality football. What a light it has given everyone around the district, even those doubters who failed to turn up against Stockport are gloating about the result. It was particularly pleasing for the players themselves who must have longed to reverse the form shown at Chesterfield the previous week. Congratulations to John Williams on scoring the first Football League hat-trick at Adams Park and to Dave Carroll on a wonderful solo goal. It appears that in the scheme of things Dave Carroll pops up with a great solo effort once every season. How nice it would be if Dave could produce a repeat performance this afternoon.

We welcome Swindon Town as leaders of the division and will try our best to make sure they go home empty handed. The drawn game at Swindon over Christmas could have gone either way, remember Steve Brown bringing a great save out of Fraser Digby in the last moments. Also a welcome return to Ty Gooden who spent a while here at Adams Park before joining The Robins. Ty has taken the opportunity with both hands and reports filter back confirming his form with Swindon.

Going through some old videos the other day. I came across a clip from the 'Big Match' in April 1992. It was a feature on WWFC when we were running neck and neck with Colchester United for the GMV title. The match was against Welling United at Adams Park 19th April that year. Two goals from Keith Scott, one each from Andy Kerr and Dennis Greene completed a 4-0 win. Other players to feature were Glyn Creaser, Steve Guppy and Steve Thompson while Paul Hyde was seen pushing away a Matt Crossley header. Of all the players seen on this particular clip of film only Matt Crossley and Dave Carroll remain at the club.

Finally a very Happy Birthday to Brian Lee who reaches a milestone of three score years this weekend. Many of our longer serving supporters will remember Brian's wonderful record when manager of the club from 1969-1975. He then took over the Chairmanship and was very much involved in moving the club to Adams Park where he supervised the initial development.

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What They Said

John Williams With a bit more luck I could have scored six, but three will do for a start. It was really nice to get the match ball, you've got to take what's yours on a day like this one. *(After scoring the first Football League hat-trick at Adams Park v Stockport)*

Dave Carroll I just picked the ball up around half way, I could see it open up for me, in the end I was glad to see it hit the back of the net. *(Comment on a truly memorable third goal against Stockport).*

Dave Farrell I had slipped down by my own standards, I am very critical of myself, but happily today I kept going right to the end. This could be the start of better things, let's hope so *(After a good performance last Saturday v Stockport).*

Terry Evans I was suffering with a groin strain which has been niggling away for a couple of weeks. Being 3-0 up at half time it wasn't worth playing the second half. *(Reason for Big Tel's absence in the second half against Stockport).*

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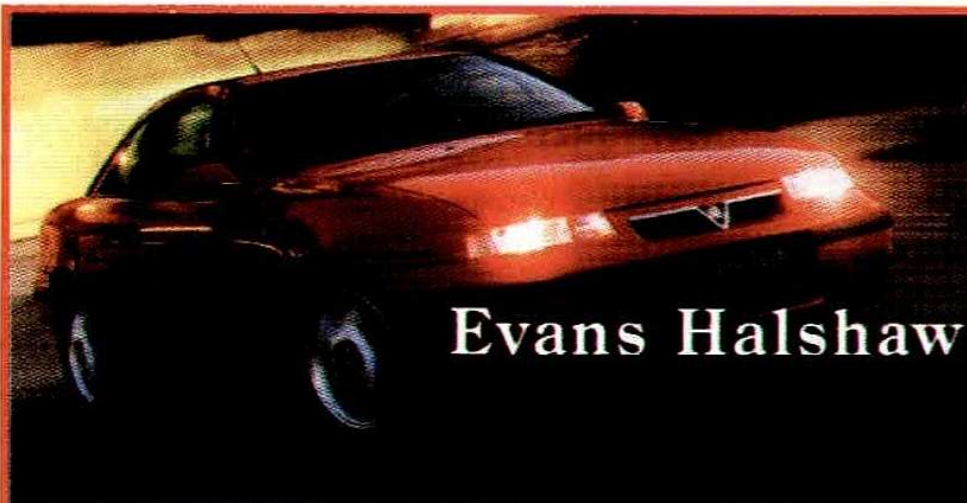
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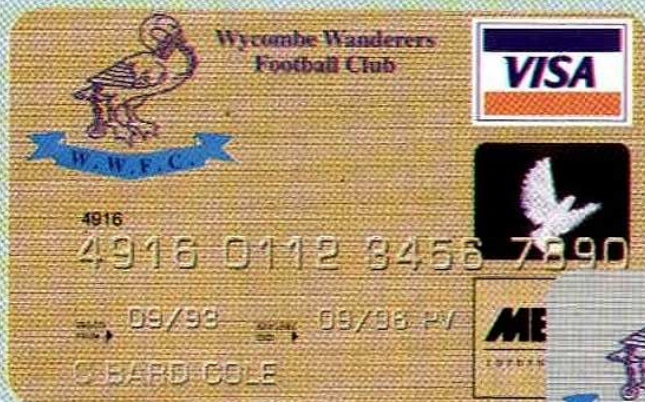
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"AP Reporting"

by ITV Sports Commentator & Club Director, Alan Parry

After missing so many of our recent games because of ITV commitments, I'm delighted to be back in my normal seat today for one of the highlights of the season - the visit of Swindon Town.

Travelling all over the country to watch and commentate on football gives me an insight into how different clubs can be when it comes to hospitality. There are some places I definitely don't look forward to visiting - and if I ever win the lottery I will name them! - but Swindon will always be the opposite. The warmth of the welcome at Swindon's County Ground is among the best in the land.

Few clubs have suffered the turmoil that Swindon have gone through in recent years. After winning promotion to the highest division in 1990, Swindon were not allowed to take their place after admitting breaches of Football League rules. Resignations followed and the club was left in disarray.

They recovered so well that promotion was achieved again just three years later under the management of Glenn Hoddle who then left to join Chelsea before Swindon began their first ever campaign in the top flight. John Gorman - an old mate of mine - took over from Hoddle but couldn't prevent relegation in a nightmare season in which they conceded over 100 goals.

When Gorman moved on the job of play-manager was given to Steve McMahon, but he was unable to halt the slide and Swindon were relegated for the second successive season. They have coped well with life in Division Two and currently look a good bet for promotion.

I thought that we produced one of our finest performances of the season to draw at Swindon on Boxing Day. It was an afternoon when almost everything came off - team selection, tactics and individual performances. We were unlucky not to snatch all three points. But today will be just as difficult and we'll need to be at our very best once again.

Only one thing is for sure - I'll be doing my very best to reciprocate the hospitality I am always shown whenever I visit the County Ground. Everyone at Swindon goes about their job with smiles on their faces which is all the more remarkable when you consider what they've been through in recent times. I hope they enjoy their first ever competitive visit to Adams Park - but they'll forgive me for saying that I hope they're not feeling too happy at the end of it

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On This Date

(2nd March)

by Dave Finch

1968 - The Blues played Wolverton Town at Loakes Park in the Berks & Bucks Senior Cup (semi-final). The game continually swung from end to end and eventually, finished in a 3-3 draw after extra time. Wycombe's scorers were Keith Samuels (2) and Steve Holmes. They didn't have so much trouble in the replay a week later though, winning 3-0.

Line-up:- J.Maskell, V.Faulkner, I.Rundle, B.Baker, P.Martin, C.Gale (M.Calvert), L.Worley, V.Busby, L.Merrick, K.Samuels, S.Holmes.

1974 - Wycombe extended their unbeaten League run to 12 games when they won 4-0 away to bottom club Corinthian Casuals. Goals came from Steve Perrin (2), Tony Horseman and an own goal. They were second in the Rothman's Isthmian League table, having P26 W19 D4 L3 F73 A21 Pts 61, just one point behind Dulwich Hamlet but with six games in hand. The attendance at Sandy Lane was 300.

Line-up:- K.Raine, P.Birdseye, R.Grant, K.Mead, D.Bullock, P.Wood, A.Horseman, L.Pritchard, D.Evans, T.Reardon, S.Perrin.

1982 - Goals from Anton Vircavs (pen), Howard Kennedy and Ken Wilson saw the Blues to a comfortable 3-0 win when they travelled to Carshalton for a Hitachi League Cup (fourth round) game. Brian Rutledge made his first team debut when he came on for Steve Long. He came from the North East and was studying at Oxford University.

Line-up:- G.Lester, P.Birdseye, G.Borg, S.Toll, A.Vircavs, R.Dell, J.Jacobs, H.Kennedy, T.Glynn, S.Long (B.Rutledge), J.Wilson.

1991 - A single goal from old adversary Ken McKenna saw the Blues go down 1-0 when they visited Altrincham for a GMV Conference fixture. It was their fourth game without a win and left them in fifth place, a position they were to hold for the rest of the season, having P29 W14 D8 L7 F57 A35 Pts 50.

The attendance at Moss Lane was 1,698.

Line-up:- J.Granville, S.Whitby, S.Walford, A.Kerr, M.Crossley, D.Carroll (M.Lambert), K.Ryan, S.Stapleton (S.Hutchinson), M.West, A.Robinson, S.Guppy.

Neil Smith takes a look at the fortunes of this afternoon's visitors, Swindon Town, 5, 10 and 20 years ago.

1991

Goals from Simon Garner and Steve Livingstone sent the Robins to defeat, five years to the day at Ewood Park Blackburn. Beaten by the odd goal in three, Town's reply from Steve White was to prove fruitless as they began their slide toward Second Division relegation zone.

Town: Digby, Kerlake, Bodin (Close), Hazard, Viveash, Calderwood (Simpson), Jones, Shearer, White, MacLaren, Foley.

1986

Unbeaten in their last six outings, whilst not conceding a goal in their last five, Swindon, top of Division Four, continued their impressive run of form with a resounding 3-0 victory at St James Park, Exeter. Town's marksmen on the day being Colin Gordon, Chris Ramsey, and former England Schoolboy starlet Peter Coyne.

Town: Allen, Ramsey, Roberts, Barnard, Wade, Calderwood, Coyne (Hall), Henry, Gordon, Kamara, Hockaday.

1976

In dire trouble at the foot of the Third Division, Swindon did little to ease their relegation fears as they were held to a goalless draw at the County Ground by fellow strugglers Southend United. While the draw brought to an end a run of four successive defeats, the Robins barren spell in front of goal continued, the goalless 90 minutes being their fourth on the trot.

Town: Barron, Butler, Trollope, Stroud, Burrows, Prophett, Moss, Dixon, Eastoe, McLaughlin, Anderson (Syrett).

Did You Know That??

When Swindon set the Football League points record in accumulating 102 points as Division Four Champions in the 1984-85 season, they did so having lost 5 of their first eight matches.

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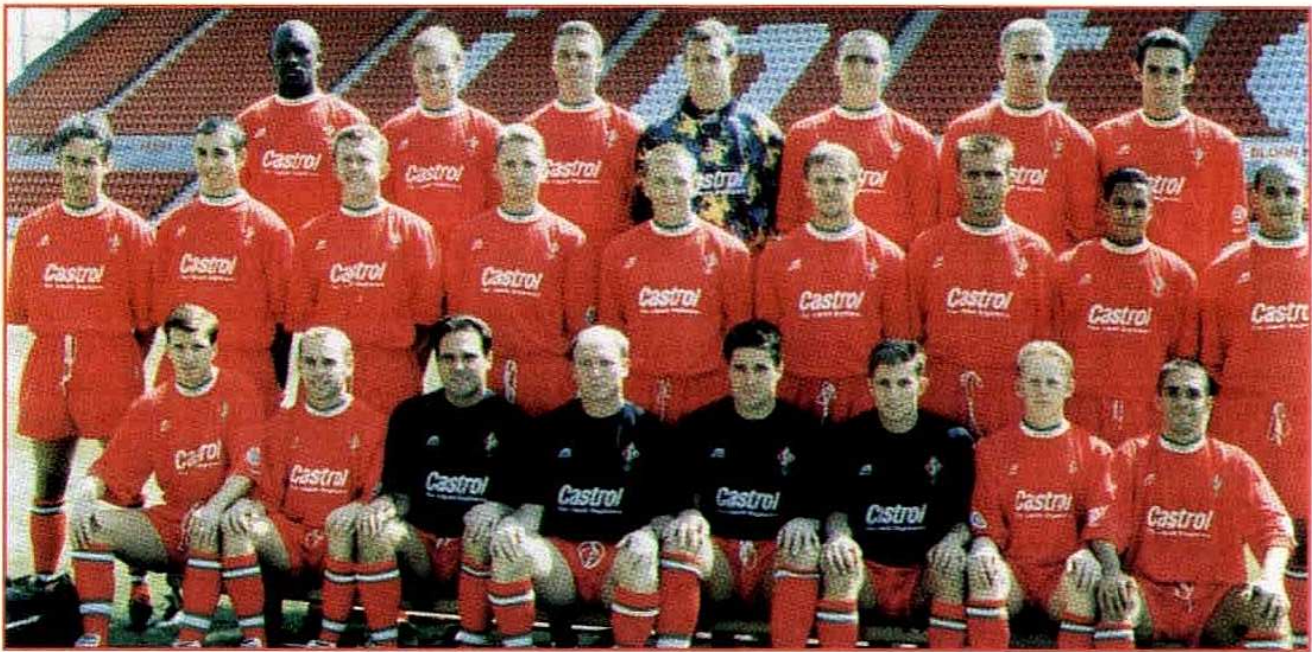
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Swindon Town - Season 1995-96

Back Row: Wayne Allison, Paul Bodin, Shaun Taylor, Fraser Digby, Mark Seagraves, Andy Thomson, Peter Thorne.
 Middle Row: Ian Culverhouse, Kevin Horlock, Jason Drysdale, Stephen Finney, Dean Hooper, Mark Robinson, Luc Nijholt*, Ty Gooden, Edwin Murray.
 Front Row: Martin Ling, Wayne O'Sullivan, Andy Rowland (First Team Coach), Steve McMahon (Player/Manager), Ross MacLaren (Reserve Team Coach), Jonathan Trigg (Physiotherapist), Jamie Pitman, Ben Worrall. * No longer with club



Steve McMahon - Player/Manager
 Born 20.8.61, Liverpool

Appointed player/manager at the end of November 1994 following John Gorman's departure. An Associated Schoolboy with Everton he made his League debut at Sunderland in August 1980. He went on to register 11 goals in 100 League games for Everton before a £300,000 transfer to Aston Villa in the summer of 1983. By then Steve was a seasoned England U21 international, having made his debut in February 1981 and he continued in the squad to be part of England's European U21 Championship winning side in 1984.

With Villa Steve proved to be a midfield general of the highest quality but his career in the Midlands was short lived as Kenny Dalglish splashed out £375,000 to land him in his first major deal for Liverpool in September 1985.

McMahon filled the position vacated by Graeme Souness and played his first game for Liverpool at Oxford. By the end of the season he had League and Cup medals to flaunt as Liverpool clinched the 'double'. Further trophies were added to his collection as Steve shared in Anfield's phenomenal success, while at international level Bobby Robson drafted him into the 1990 England World Cup squad as cover for Bryan Robson. He was capped 17 times.

On Christmas Eve 1991 Manchester City paid £900,000 for his registration and until his move to Swindon, McMahon had continued to demonstrate his agility at the highest level.

Robins on Tour 95/96

Away League results in detail

Endsleigh League Division Two

Hull City	W 1-0	Finney	6,525
Carlisle United	W 1-0	Murray	6,325
Brentford	W 2-0	O'Sullivan, Finney	7,878
Bristol Rovers	W 4-1	Taylor, Horlock 3	7,205
Wrexham	L 3-4	Thorne, Allison 2	4,296
Brighton & HA	W 3-1	Finney 2, Horlock	7,808
Notts County	W 3-1	Bodin, Taylor 2	8,725
Bournemouth	D 0-0		6,352
Stockport County	D 1-1	Allison	7,196
Rotherham Utd	W 2-0	Finney 2	3,042
Walsall	D 0-0		5,624
York City	L 0-2		3,613
Swansea City	W 1-0	Taylor	4,452

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Robins Who's Who 1995/96

Fraser Digby - Goalkeeper

Born: Sheffield 23.4.67

Joined Manchester United from school as an apprentice 12 years ago, Fraser did not make the first team at Old Trafford and had loan spells at Oldham Athletic and at Swindon Town before joining the Robins on a permanent basis in September 1986. Has now made over 400 first team appearances for the club although he did return to Manchester United for a loan spell during season 1992/93.

Ian Culverhouse - Defender

Born: Bishops Stortford, 22.9.64

Signed from Norwich City at the end of December 1994 for a fee of £250,000 decided by a Football League tribunal after Norwich's requested of £900,000 was turned down by Swindon. Ian was a former apprentice at Tottenham Hotspur before turning professional and making his League debut as substitute at Notts County on 21st February 1984. He had only made one full appearance while at White Hart Lane before signing for Norwich City in October 1985 for £50,000. He featured in The Canary's UEFA Cup successes last season but was unable to agree new terms at Carrow Road.

Paul Bodin - Defender

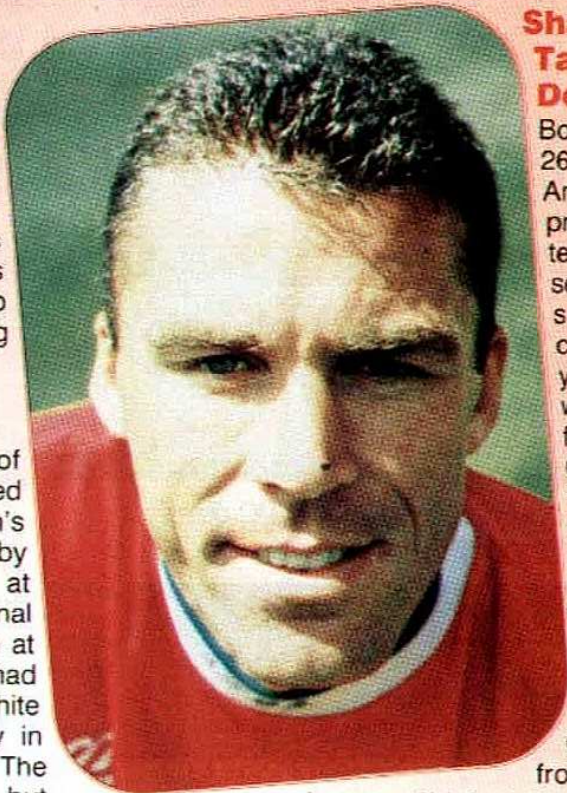
Born: Cardiff 13.6.64

Welsh international now in his second spell at The County Ground, Paul was initially signed from the now defunct Newport County for £25,000 in March 1988. Three years later he was transferred to Crystal Palace for a fee of £550,000 but was unable to command a place at Selhurst Park and just ten months later he returned to Swindon. Spent the end of last season out with a back injury.

Paul Allen - Midfield

Born: Aveyley 28.8.62

One of the renowned footballing Allen family, Paul was signed by Swindon Town on a free transfer in October 1995 having been released from Southampton. Previously with West Ham United with whom he signed as an apprentice in August 1979, and went on to make 197 appearances - scoring 11 goals. In June 1985 a £400,000 move took him across London to White Hart Lane where he made 377 appearances for Spurs scoring 28 goals. In September 1993 he transferred to Southampton for a fee of £550,000 but with the departure of manager Ian Branfoot, Paul was only to make 43 appearances for the Saints. During his time at The Dell he went on loan to Luton Town and Stoke City. Paul in an England 'B', U21 and Youth international.



Shaun Taylor - Defender

Born: Plymouth 26.2.63

An ever present in the team again last season for the second consecutive year, Shaun was signed from Exeter City in July 1991 for £200,000. He came into professional football late signing for The Grecians from Western

League Bideford Town at the age of 23. He played 233 first team games for Exeter before he joined Swindon Town. He has just signed a new contract which will keep him at The County Ground until 1997.

Mark Robinson - Defender

Born: Rochdale 21.11.68

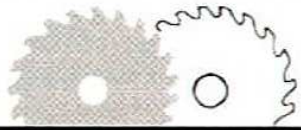
Signed as an apprentice for West Bromwich Albion on leaving school in June 1985 and made his Football League debut against Sheffield Wednesday on 22nd April 1986. Surprisingly he was not offered a contract at the end of his apprenticeship and was picked up by Barnsley but had to wait until 1989 before earning an extended run in the first team. In March 1993 he was transferred to Newcastle United for £450,000 but injury and the vast squad at St James' Park prevented Mark from getting an extended first team run. In July 1994 he moved to Wiltshire for a then Swindon Town club record of £600,000.

Martin Ling - Midfield

Born: West Ham 15.7.66

A former Exeter City apprentice, Martin is another in his second spell at The County Ground, he initially signed for £25,000 in July 1986 but just 93 days later he was on the move to Southend United where he made 138 League appearances, scoring 31 goals. While at Roots Hall he spent time on loan at Mansfield Town and also at The County Ground. In the summer of 1991 Glenn Hoddle acquired his services for a mere £15,000.

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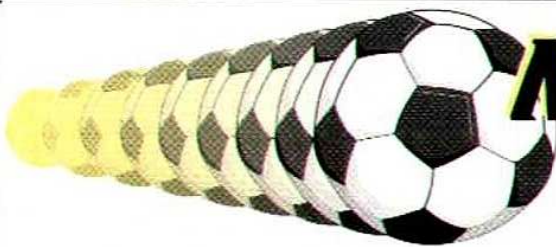
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Peter Thorne - Forward

Born: Manchester 21.6.73

Young striker signed from Blackburn Rovers for an undisclosed fee in January 1995. Was signed on as a trainee player at Ewood Park in July 1989 before progressing to the professional ranks in the 1991 close season. First team opportunities were restricted because of the form of the likes of Shearer, Sutton and Newell and Peter relished the chance of a move to Swindon Town with the opportunity of regular action. His only first team appearance for Blackburn was when he came on as substitute in the Charity Shield at Wembley against Manchester United. Made an impressive start in his career at Swindon Town scoring four goals in his first two games. Began this season by netting all five goals against TP Seinajoki on the pre-season tour in Finland.

Wayne Allison - Forward

Born: Huddersfield 16.10.68

A Football League Tribunal decided that Swindon Town had to pay £475,000 for the registration of Wayne from local rivals Bristol City, for whom he was top scorer last season, in July 1995.

Born in Huddersfield, Wayne started his career as an apprentice at Halifax Town before moving to Watford for £250,000 in July 1989.

The following year a £300,000 deal took him to Ashton Gate where he became a firm favourite with the fans.

Kevin Horlock - Defender

B o r n :
Plumstead
1.11.72

N o r t h e r n
Ireland Full
and U21

I n t e r n a t i o n a l ,
Kevin was
signed from

West Ham
United on a
free transfer

i n t h e
summer of
1992 and

m a d e h i s
L e a g u e
debut in the

3-1 defeat at
Portsmouth
that year

a f t e r i n j u r y
sidelined
regular full-
back Paul

Bodin.

Mark Seagraves - Defender

Born: Liverpool 22.10.66

Big strong central defender signed from Bolton

Wanderers for £100,000 in June 1995, Mark forms a solid defensive partnership with Shaun Taylor. A former Liverpool apprentice, Mark had a loan spell with Norwich City before a £100,000 move to Manchester City in 1986. In 1990 he moved to Burnden Park but was unable to command a place in last season's side who gained promotion to the Premiership.

Jason Drysdale - Defender

Born: Bristol 17.11.70

A former England Youth International Jason signed on at The County Ground on transfer deadline day - 23rd March 1995 for a fee of £340,000 from Newcastle United. A former trainee with Watford where he won a F.A. Youth Cup winners medal, Jason made 160 appearances for The Hornets scoring 13 goals once he signed professional forms in September 1988. A fee of £425,000 in August 1994 took him to Newcastle United but after less than seven months at St James' Park Jason joined Swindon having not been able to command a first team place.

Steve Finney - Forward

Born: Hexham 31.10.73

Manager Steve McMahon knew of Steve when they were both at Manchester City and took Finney on a transfer from Maine Road during the summer. He scored his first goal for Swindon Town on the club's pre-season tour of Finland. Following an injury to Peter Thorne, Steve was given an unexpected run in the first team at the beginning of this season.

Frank Talia - Goalkeeper

Born: Melbourne, Australia 20.7.72

Blackburn Rovers signed Frank from Sunshine George Cross in August 1992 and he spent some time on loan at Hartlepool that season making 15 appearances. Unable to break into the first team at Ewood Park, Frank signed for Swindon in November 1995 having spent a month on loan earlier in the season.

Lee Collins - Midfield

Born: Bellsheill 3.2.74

Signed in November 1995 for a fee of £15,000 from Scottish Division Three side Albion Rovers after impressing in trial games for Swindon Town Reserves. Made his first team debut in the Auto Windscreens Shield defeat at Hereford United at the County Ground at the end of November.

Alex Smith - Defender

Born: Liverpool 15.2.76

Signed on a free transfer from Everton in January 1996 where he was a former Trainee. While he had not played in the Premiership Alex has played in Everton's European Cup Winners Cup campaign this season.

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FEATURE ON PAGE 33.

Noticeboard

Rotherham United Tickets Valid For Re-Scheduled Date

All tickets bought for the New Years Day fixture between Wycombe Wanderers and Rotherham United, which was postponed due to a frozen pitch, will be valid for the rescheduled match which is on Tuesday 16th April, kick off 7.45 p.m. The match was also postponed early last month due to a heavy snow fall.

Buy One Get One Free

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Wanderers play the Seagulls on a Wednesday

Wycombe Wanderers will play Brighton & Hove Albion at Adams Park in the Endsleigh League Division Two

this coming Wednesday 6th March 1996,

kick-off 7.45 p.m. The original fixture which was due to take place on Saturday

Away Colours

Below shows a fixture list of Wycombe Wanderers next two away games giving the opposition, the date and the colour of the kit to be worn.

Shrewsbury Town - 9.3.96
Red and Black Stripes

Rotherham United - 23.3.96
Sky and Navy Quarters

Regarding the Shrewsbury fixture, full details of the trip - road directions, admission prices etc. will be published in the update for the Brighton fixture (March 6th)

Matchday Terrace Tickets

For The Remainder of The Season Now Available From Wanderers In Town

Wycombe Wanderers Club Shop, Wanderers In Town, which is situated opposite Littlewoods in the Octagon Shopping Centre is now selling tickets for both the home supporters terraces for all of the remaining first team home matches.

Tickets on sale include the two local derbies when Wycombe Wanderers meet Brentford and Oxford United at Adams Park. Terrace prices for all the remaining home fixtures are £7 for adults and £4.50 for under 16 year olds or OAPs.

Bradford City Re-arranged

Last months fixture between Wycombe Wanderers and Bradford City which was due to take place on Tuesday 20th February at Adams Park but was postponed due to a snow covered pitch, has now been rearranged for Tuesday 26th March 1996, kick-off at 7.45 p.m. All tickets which were bought for last months fixture will be valid for the re-arranged date.

Statistically Speaking

Today's visitors, Swindon Town, became our 45th opponents in the Football League in the fixture at the County Ground on December 26th last. Our playing record against our 45 different sets of opponents stands as follows (as at Feb 24th 1996).

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1. Carlisle United	3	1	1	1	6	6	4
2. Chester City	4	4	0	1	7	4	9
3. Wigan Athletic	2	0	1	1	1	2	1
4. Hereford United	2	2	0	0	7	5	6
5. Gillingham	2	1	1	0	2	1	4
6. Bury	2	2	0	0	4	2	6
7. Colchester United	2	1	0	1	4	5	3
8. Doncaster Rovers	2	2	0	0	4	0	6
9. Chesterfield	4	2	0	2	5	6	6
10. Northampton Town	2	1	1	0	2	1	4
11. Lincoln City	2	1	0	1	5	4	3
12. Darlington	2	1	1	0	2	0	4
13. Shrewsbury Town	5	2	2	1	6	4	8
14. Scarborough	2	1	0	1	5	3	3
15. Scunthorpe United	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
16. Crewe Alexandra	6	2	2	2	7	7	8
17. Preston North End	2	1	1	0	4	3	4
18. Torquay United	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
19. Walsall	3	2	0	1	6	4	6
20. Mansfield Town	2	1	0	1	1	3	3
21. Rochdale	2	0	2	0	3	3	2
22. Cambridge United	2	1	1	0	5	2	4
23. Huddersfield Town	2	2	0	0	3	1	6
24. Bristol Rovers	3	0	2	1	1	2	2
25. Birmingham City	2	1	0	1	1	3	3

26. Bradford City	3	2	0	1	3	4	2
29. Stockport County	4	1	2	1	7	7	5
30. Swansea City	3	2	1	0	4	2	7
31. Leyton Orient	2	2	0	0	3	1	6
32. Plymouth Argyle	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
33. Peterborough United	3	2	1	0	7	3	7
34. York City	3	1	2	0	2	1	5
35. Wrexham	4	1	1	2	5	6	4
36. Cardiff City	2	1	0	1	3	3	3
37. Blackpool	4	1	2	1	3	3	5
38. Brighton & HA	3	1	2	0	3	2	5
39. Oxford United	3	3	0	0	7	1	9
40. AFC Bournemouth	4	1	1	2	5	7	4
41. Rotherham United	2	1	0	1	2	2	3
42. Notts County	2	0	1	1	1	3	1
43. Bristol City	2	0	2	0	1	1	2
44. Burnley	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
45. Swindon Town	1	0	1	0	0	0	1

Totals * 118 50 40 28 167 133 190

We have taken at least one point off all our opponents, whilst as well as Oxford, we have 100% records against Hereford United, Bury, Doncaster Rovers, Huddersfield Town and Leyton Orient. Our worst returns have come against Wigan Athletic, Plymouth Argyle and Notts County (one point from a maximum of six - a 16.7% success rate).

We've beaten 34 of our 45 opponents, drawn with 28 of them, and lost to 24 of them. Most goals scored are 8 (v Bradford City) and conceded 7 (by Crewe Alexandra and AFC Bournemouth).



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Endsleigh League Snippets

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The Board only allows such players to appear in matches which do not have a bearing on promotion or relegation issues. Featuring in any of The League's three knock-out competitions would also be excluded.

The Football League will be advising all clubs to ensure that they have a sufficient number of goalkeepers registered prior to the deadline, as dispensation will not be given to clubs to sign and play goalkeepers after this date.

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Statistics 95/96



Date	Opponents/Cup	Score	Gate	Pos.	COUSINS	HARDYMAN	CROSSLEY	FORAN	BROWN	CARROLL	BELL	DESOUZA	McGAVIN 1*	SOLOMAN	HOWARD(9)	GARNER(7)	HEMINGS
Sat 12/8/95	CREWE ALEXANDRA	D 1-1	5,281	16	COUSINS	HARDYMAN	CROSSLEY	FORAN	BROWN	CARROLL	BELL	DESOUZA 2	McGAVIN 1*	SOLOMAN	HOWARD(9)	GARNER(7)	HEMINGS
Sat 15/8/95	LEYTON ORIENT (CC 1/1)	W 3-0	3,310	-	COUSINS	HARDYMAN	CROSSLEY 1	FORAN	BROWN	CARROLL	BELL	DESOUZA 2	McGAVIN 1*	SOLOMAN	HOWARD	GARNER(9)	HEMINGS (10)
Sat 19/8/95	Notts. County	L 0-2	5,552	22	COUSINS	HARDYMAN	CROSSLEY	FORAN	BROWN	CARROLL	BELL	DESOUZA	McGAVIN	SOLOMAN	HEMINGS(8)	McGARRY(11)	HOWARD (10)
Tue 22/8/95	Leyton Orient (CC 1/2)	L 1-2	4,749	22	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	SOLOMAN	FORAN	BROWN	CARROLL	BELL	DESOUZA 2	McGAVIN	HOWARD	GARNER(10)	MOUSSADIK(8)	HEMINGS(2)
Sat 26/8/95	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	W 2-1	5,360	13	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	SOLOMAN	FORAN	BROWN	CARROLL	BELL	DESOUZA 2	McGAVIN	CASTLEDINE	GARNER(3)	MOUSSADIK(10)	HEMINGS(8)
Tue 29/8/95	Brighton & Hove Albion	W 4-0	9,748	9	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	SOLOMAN	CROSSLEY	BROWN	CARROLL	CASTLEDINE	DESOUZA 3	GARNER	CLARK	McGAVIN(10)	BELL(11)	STEVENS
Sat 9/9/95	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	D 1-1	5,637	11	MOUSSADIK	FORAN	HOWARD	CROSSLEY	PATTERSON	CARROLL	CASTLEDINE	DESOUZA 3	GARNER	BELL	McGAVIN(10)	PATTERSON	THOMPSON
Tue 12/9/95	CHESTERFIELD	W 1-0	3,617	6	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	CROSSLEY	PATTERSON	CARROLL	CASTLEDINE	DESOUZA	GARNER 1	BELL	McGAVIN(10)	McGARRY(6)	HEMINGS(11)
Sat 16/9/95	Stockport County	D 1-1	5,588	7	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	CROSSLEY	PATTERSON	CARROLL	CASTLEDINE 1	DESOUZA	McGAVIN	FARELL	GARNER	McGARRY(5)	BELL
Tue 19/9/95	MANCHESTER CITY (CC 2/1)	D 0-0	7,443	-	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	CROSSLEY	PATTERSON	CARROLL	CASTLEDINE 1	DESOUZA	WILLIAMS	FARELL	McGAVIN	McGARRY	SOLOMAN
Sat 23/9/95	WREXHAM	D 1-1	4,649	10	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	CASTLEDINE	CARROLL	BROWN	DESOUZA 1	WILLIAMS	FARELL	McGAVIN	McGARRY	SOLOMAN
Sat 30/9/95	Bristol City	D 0-0	5,564	11	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	CASTLEDINE	CARROLL	BROWN	DESOUZA 1	WILLIAMS	FARELL	McGAVIN(6)	PATTERSON	SOLOMAN
Wed 4/10/95	Manchester City (CC 2/2)	L 0-4	11,474	-	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	PATTERSON	CARROLL	BROWN	DESOUZA	WILLIAMS	FARELL	McGAVIN(10)	McGARRY	BELL
Sat 7/10/95	Burnley	D 1-1	8,029	13	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD 1	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS 1	DESOUZA	McGAVIN	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	MOUSSADIK	SOLOMAN
Tue 10/10/95	FULHAM (AWS 1)	D 1-0	2,756	-	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD 1	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	McGAVIN	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	BELL	SOLOMAN
Sat 14/10/95	WALSALL	W 1-0	4,724	10	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD 1	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	McGAVIN	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	BELL(3)	SOLOMAN
Sat 21/10/95	Oxford United	W 4-1	7,731	7	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD 1	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	McGAVIN	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	CLARK	SOLOMAN
Sat 28/10/95	HULL CITY	D 2-2	5,021	7	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD 1	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	McGAVIN 1*	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	CLARK	SOLOMAN
Tue 31/10/95	YORK CITY	W 2-1	2,809	4	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	GARNER 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	CLARK(9)	EVANS
Sat 4/11/95	Swansea City	W 2-1	2,809	4	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	GARNER 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	GARNER(10)	EVANS(5) 1
Tue 7/11/95	Walsall (AWS 1)	L 0-5	2,592	-	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	GARNER 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	GARNER(10)	COUSINS(5)
Mon 13/11/95	Gillingham (FAC 1)	D 1-1	5,064	-	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	GARNER 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	McGAVIN(10)	SOLOMAN
Sat 18/11/95	BRISTOL ROVERS	D 1-1	4,886	4	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	GARNER 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	McGAVIN(10)	SOLOMAN
Tue 21/11/95	Gillingham (FAC 1/8)	L 0-1	8,585	-	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	GARNER 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	McGAVIN(10)	SOLOMAN
Sun 26/11/95	Carlisle United	L 2-4	4,459	5	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	COUSINS	BROWN	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA 1	GARNER 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	McGAVIN(10)	SOLOMAN
Sat 9/12/95	Wrexham	L 0-1	3,468	9	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 16/12/95	BRISTOL CITY	D 1-1	4,020	8	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Tue 26/12/95	SHREWSBURY TOWN	W 2-0	4,131	8	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 13/1/96	NOTTS. COUNTY	D 0-0	12,976	9	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 20/1/96	Crewe Alexandra	D 1-1	4,508	10	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Tue 23/1/96	Blackpool	L 0-2	4,150	11	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Tue 30/1/96	Brentford	D 1-1	4,040	11	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 10/2/96	A.F.C. Bournemouth	L 0-1	4,688	12	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 17/2/96	BLACKPOOL	W 3-2	4,447	7	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 24/2/96	Stockport County	L 0-1	5,285	10	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Tue 27/2/96	Peterborough United	L 1-3	4,571	14	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 23/9/96	SWINDON TOWN	W 4-1	4,246	10	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Wed 6/3/96	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	L 0-3	3,670	12	HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 9/3/96	Shrewsbury Town				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 16/3/96	BRENTFORD				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 23/3/96	Rotherham United				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Tue 26/3/96	BRADFORD CITY				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 30/3/96	BURNLEY				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Tue 2/4/96	Walsall				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 6/4/96	Hull City				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Mon 8/4/96	OXFORD UNITED				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 13/4/96	York City				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Tue 16/4/96	ROTHERHAM UNITED				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 20/4/96	SWANSEA CITY				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 27/4/96	BRISTOL UNITED				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)
Sat 4/5/96	Carlisle Rovers				HOWARD	HARDYMAN	HOWARD	EVANS	COUSINS	CARROLL	WILLIAMS	DESOUZA	BLISSETT 1	FARELL	PATTERSON(8)	WILLIAMS	McGAVIN(8)

Man in the Middle

A warm welcome to Adams Park to this afternoon's referee, Mr. Kevin Breen who is married with one grown-up daughter, Mr. Breen, a trainee CDT Teacher by occupation, began his refereeing career back in 1965. He progressed through the Northern Premier, Alliance League and Football League Line to being appointed to the Referees List in 1985. He refereed an Anglo Italian Cup fixture in Udinese in 1994 and has been a linesmen at several important European club fixtures. His interests include Ballroom Dancing, Gardening, Cycling and DIY. We hope that Mr. Breen and his linesmen enjoy our hospitality during their short stay with us at Adams Park this afternoon.

Key: # = own goal Substituted replaced player in brackets * = after extra time p = won on penalties

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KIT DESIGN A



The Club have looked into many possibilities with Mizuno for new shirts, and have whittled the choice down to two final designs that both still retain the famous sky and navy quartered theme. Design A introduces a red theme into the shirt, with a bold red Verco over a mottled white effect on the front, and red trimming on sleeves, shorts, Mizuno logo and collar. The socks will be predominately white with a red trim and Mizuno logo.

The back of the shirt will be plain sky fabric to help the numbers on the players shirts show up. Also because the mottled white design (if

continued on the back of the shirt) would leave a large white void.

Both the shirt and shorts fabric will have "Wycombe Wanderers" jacquard to ensure that a) the shirts cannot be copied and b) to identify the product with the brand name of the Club. Please note that it was not possible to mock-up this feature, and that it is possible some details of the shirt may be altered during fabrication although the basic design will remain the same. Whichever of these two designs is chosen will be used as the Club's home shirt for both the 1996/97 and 1997/98 seasons.



KIT DESIGN B



Design B combines both sky and navy quarters with our long history. Our first ever match in the Great Western Suburban League was on 5th September 1908 against Maidenhead at Loakes Park. The Blues won 4-3 wearing a new shirt of vertical sky and navy stripes.

Design B therefore incorporates our past non-league tradition with our famous quarters. The socks will be predominately sky with a red trim and Mizuno logo. The back of the shirt will be in quarters and look exactly like the front. Both the shirt and shorts fabric will have "Wycombe Wanderers" jacquard to ensure that a) the shirts

cannot be copied and b) to identify the product with the brand name of the Club. Please note that it was not possible to mock-up this feature, and that it is possible some details of the shirt may be altered during fabrication although the basic design will remain the same.

The Club would like to know which design you, the fans, prefer. Please vote on your choice on the enclosed Player of the Month for February voting slip and hand it in to the Club **TODAY.**

SCHEDULE

1	Sat 8th June	England	v Switzerland	Wembley	15.00
2	Sun 9th June	Spain	v Bulgaria	Elland Road	14.30
3		Germany	v Czech Rep	Old Trafford	17.00
4		Denmark	v Portugal	Hillsborough	19.30
5	Mon 10th June	Netherlands	v Scotland	Villa Park	16.30
6		Romania	v France	St James' Park	19.30
7	Tues 11th June	Italy	v Russia	Anfield	16.30
8		Turkey	v Croatia	City Ground	19.30
9	Thur 13th June	Switzerland	v Netherlands	Villa Park	19.30
10		Bulgaria	v Romania	St James' Park	16.30
11	Fri 14th June	Czech Rep	v Italy	Anfield	19.30
12		Portugal	v Turkey	City Ground	16.30
13	Sat 15th June	Scotland	v England	Wembley	15.00
14		France	v Spain	Elland Road	18.00
15	Sun 16th June	Russia	v Germany	Old Trafford	15.00
16		Croatia	v Denmark	Hillsborough	18.00
17	Tues 18th June	Scotland	v Switzerland	Villa Park	19.30
18		France	v Bulgaria	St James' Park	16.30
19		Netherlands	v England	Wembley	19.30
20		Romania	v Spain	Elland Road	16.30
21	Wed 19th June	Russia	v Czech Rep	Anfield	19.30
22		Croatia	v Portugal	City Ground	16.30
23		Italy	v Germany	Old Trafford	19.30
24		Turkey	v Denmark	Hillsborough	16.30
25	Sat 22nd June	Winner B	v Runner-up A	Anfield	18.30
26		Winner A	v Runner-up B	Wembley	15.00
27	Sun 23rd June	Winner C	v Runner-up D	Old Trafford	15.00
28		Winner D	v Runner-up C	Villa Park	18.30
29	Wed 26th June	Winner 25	v Winner 28	Old Trafford	16.00
30		Winner 26	v Winner 27	Wembley	19.30
31	Sun 30th June		FINAL	Wembley	19.00

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UP TO AND INCLUDING TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 1996

	APPEARANCES				GOALS				CAREER Apps	Gls
	EIL	CC	FAC	AW	EIL	CC	FAC	AW		
Mickey Bell	25 +1	1	2	1 +1	1	-	-	-	64 + 2	5
*Gary Blissett	4	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	4	2
Steve Brown	25	4	2	2	-	-	-	-	84 + 5	2
Dave Carroll	31	4	2	2	5	-	-	-	370 + 6	72
*Stewart Castledine	7	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	7	3
Anthony Clark	1 +2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 + 2	-
Jason Cousins	18 +2	3	2	2	-	-	-	-	230 + 2	6
Matt Crossley	6	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	307 + 5	9
Miquel Desouza	28 +2	4	2	2	10	2	-	-	42 + 3	19
Terry Evans	12 +2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	91 + 4	14
David Farrell	22 + 2	2	2	2	2	-	-	-	28 + 2	2
*Mark Foran	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
Simon Garner	8 +5	0 +2	1 +1	1	3	-	-	-	65 + 16	23
Paul Hardyman	10	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	15	-
*Tony Hemmings	0 +3	0 +2	-	-	-	-	-	-	35 + 31	14
Terry Howard	27 +3	3	2	2	1	-	-	1	54 + 3	2
*Paul Hyde	17	4	2	2	-	-	-	-	248	-
Matthew Lawrence	0 +1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0 +1	-
Steve McGavin	14 +9	2 +1	0 +1	1 +1	2	-	-	-	29 + 12	4
Brian McGorry	0 +4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 + 4	-
*Chuck Moussaddik	1	0 +1	-	-	-	-	-	-	20 + 1	-
Gary Patterson	18 +6	2	2	0 +1	1	-	1	-	31 + 11	3
Ben Roberts	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-
Jason Rowbotham	25	2	2	2	-	-	-	-	31	-
Keith Ryan	3 +5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	167 + 36	21
Jason Soloman	6 +1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	12 + 2	1
John Williams	15 +5	2	1	2	7	-	-	-	20 + 5	7

* No longer at the Club

Endsleigh Insurance League

DIVISION TWO - (Up to Tuesday, 27th February 1996)

	P	HOME					AWAY					Pts	Ave. Att.
		W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
Swindon Town	29	9	6	1	28	11	8	3	2	21	10	60	9,824
Blackpool	32	10	4	2	30	13	6	6	4	20	17	58	4,904
Crewe Alexandra	30	10	2	2	28	11	7	4	5	27	22	57	3,989
Notts County	28	8	3	3	22	12	6	6	2	17	10	51	5,530
Chesterfield	27	10	3	1	29	12	4	4	5	14	16	49	4,510
Oxford United	31	11	2	2	30	13	2	6	8	11	18	47	5,449
Bristol Rovers	32	7	3	6	19	21	6	5	5	21	21	47	5,199
Wrexham	30	8	6	1	29	16	3	7	5	15	19	46	3,586
Stockport City	33	4	7	5	18	16	8	3	6	25	21	46	5,886
Bradford City	31	9	2	4	23	18	4	3	9	19	29	44	5,709
Bristol City	33	8	4	5	20	14	3	7	6	16	27	44	6,852
Wycombe Wanderers	31	5	7	2	19	13	5	5	7	21	24	42	4,657
Bournemouth	32	9	3	5	24	20	3	2	10	12	27	41	4,292
Shrewsbury Tn	32	6	3	6	23	19	5	4	8	19	27	40	3,460
Peterborough U	30	7	4	4	32	18	3	5	7	14	25	39	4,490
Burnley	29	7	6	3	29	21	3	3	7	13	20	39	8,952
Rotherham Utd	32	9	4	4	24	16	1	5	9	13	28	39	3,277
Walsall	29	4	7	3	17	12	5	2	8	14	14	36	4,230
Brentford	31	8	3	5	17	13	1	6	8	13	25	36	5,091
Carlisle United	31	6	5	4	22	15	1	5	10	17	36	31	6,025
York City	29	5	5	5	17	17	3	2	9	16	28	31	3,540
Swansea City	33	4	7	5	18	20	2	4	11	12	37	29	2,648
Brighton & Hove	31	3	5	8	16	25	3	3	9	13	24	26	5,444
Hull City	30	2	5	7	15	25	1	6	8	8	24	20	3,978

LEADING SCORERS

	EIL	CC	FAC	AW	Total
Marcus Stewart (Bristol R)	14	4	0	5	23
Paul Barnes (York City)	15	5	0	2	22
Kurt Nogan (Burnley)	16	3	0	3	22
Shaun Goater (Roth'ham)	14	3	2	0	19
David Feeves (Carlisle)	11	2	1	3	17
Rob Edwards (Crewe)	11	4	2	0	17
Steve Jones (Bournemouth)	13	3	0	0	16
Gary Martindale (Peterb'h)	13	1	0	2	16
Steve Finney (Swindon)	11	1	2	1	15
Devon White (Notts City)	8	6	0	1	15
Kevin Wilson (Walsall)	10	1	3	1	15
Wayne Allison (Swindon)	12	1	0	2	15

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Into the Archives

Neil Smith takes a look back at previous days and players of this afternoon's visitors - Swindon Town F.C.

There can be little doubt that - despite the club's all too brief affair with Premiership football - the Wiltshire club's greatest feat remains in their Football League Cup victory over Arsenal, under the management of Danny Williams, in the Spring of 1969 - a feat all the more astounding, when considering the club, little more than a decade before, had twice applied for re-election, before receiving another major setback in the mid 60s, when after just two seasons in the Second Division, relegation, allied with spiralling debts forced the club to sell their most talented players - Bobby Woodruff, 'Ernie' Hunt and Mike Summerbee to Wolves, Coventry and Manchester City. Yorkshireman Williams, something of a nomad during both his playing and managerial days, stepped in to pick up the pieces.

Having re-pieced the jigsaw, the ultimate reward following, as the Robins returned to Division Two beaten to the Championship only on goal average by Watford, just weeks after overcoming all the odds-beneath the Twin Towers.

Swindon over the years have produced few 'stars'. Their first had shone whilst the club plied their trade in the Southern League, where they were to claim two Championships, while suffering defeat twice in F.A. Cup semi-finals in the years preceding the First War. In winning 11 England Caps, during which he was to score no less than nine times, Harold Fleming carved his own niche in the club's history. One of the games most flamboyant and talented players, Flemming's contribution to the well-being of the club in the years prior to League status was immeasurable.

Don Rogers underlined his ability in their Wembley victory over the Gunners. Two extra time goals rocketed a rising start to the attention of the public, the last of which came in the final minute to drive the final nail into the Arsenal coffin. Rogers though had long been considered a rising talent. Already capped at U23 level the highly talented winger had more than 450 Senior outings to his credit before moving to Crystal Palace and later Queens Park Rangers and an opportunity of top level opposition.

As inspirational a captain as any player could wish to have, Stan Harland had begun his playing days with New Brighton before being offered the opportunity of joining Everton. Having failed to make the breakthrough with his home town club, he made his way to the County Ground via Bradford City and Carlisle before displaying his leadership quality as Williams' captain.

If anyone epitomised the perfect one club professional then John Trollope did just that. Having made his debut at the start of the 1960-61 season, during his career he was to make 328 consecutive appearances, going on to not only pass the club record total set by Maurice Owen, but also eclipse the League record total set by Jimmy Dickinson. Ironically Trollope began his playing days by setting a record on his debut against Halifax Town. Lining up alongside Terry Wollen the pair became the youngest full-backs to appear together in the Football League. Their could be no finer example of the perfect club servant than John Trollope, his services being quite rightly marked when he was awarded an MBE.

Alongside Trollope at Wembley appeared another outstanding servant to the Robins. Signed from Gloucester City, Rod Thomas was to go on to win 47 Welsh Caps. On leaving the club for Derby County he won a League Championship Winners medal playing under the management of the legendary Scottish International Dave Mackay, with whom he had played at the County Ground in the early 70s.



Game-off again!

I first penned this piece a week last Tuesday, February 20th, a night when I had planned to be watching, rather than writing about, football. Our home game against Bradford City had been postponed earlier in the day due to the latest batch of arctic weather causing chaos across the region. Home postponements number four this season, following Rotherham, Brighton and Rotherham again. Nature certainly seems to have been unkind to Adams Park in 1996 to date - so much for Global Warming! My one consolation is that at least I was in the warm rather than standing in temperatures of around -5° centigrade, to say nothing of the accompanying wind chill!

On a serious note, there's very little worse than a postponement for everyone connected with a football club - for players, officials and supporters alike. On the playing front, it was a great pity that the games at Brentford (December 30th) and the Rotherham fixture on New Years Day were victims of the elements. The side went into the holiday period with excellent results against Shrewsbury and at Swindon and I'm sure they would have maintained that momentum over the remainder of the festive season.

I certainly do not envy the job of Secretary John Reardon and his counterparts at the other clubs as they struggle valiantly to find mutually convenient dates to fit into the crowded fixture list. As for the supporters, I think I speak for the vast majority in saying that a Saturday afternoon in the season without a first team fixture (and we certainly seem to have had our fair share over the last few months) is a difficult concept to grasp.

I would also like to mention briefly the problems postponements cause myself, as Programme Editor of this club and my hard working team of contributors. A lot of hard, unpaid work goes into each programme. Working on very much a part-time voluntary basis, some work is done in advance but, to make each edition as up to date as possible, a lot is done just prior to the printing deadline. When a fixture is postponed, the club has to decide on one of the following two options:-

a) to scrap the programme completely (the programme is usually finished at least a day prior to matchday, i.e. well before the

decision to postpone), or,

b) to make use of the original and update, to some extent, by means of an insert section. When the first Rotherham fixture was postponed, the club decided on a), to bear the cost of the original programme, and to produce a new edition for February 6th. You all know what happened next - bad weather set in on the 5th. As soon as it appeared probable that the game would be called-off, a stop was put on the printing. By then however some of the pages had been printed. Common sense dictates that the club cannot afford to write-off a second edition. I apologise in advance therefore that when the game does take place on April 16th (hopefully by then we will be enjoying some decent weather), the majority of pages will be up to date, others will have been written in early February. For those programme collectors amongst you, the New Years Day edition will be included at no extra cost to everybody who buys the up to date programme.

As regards the other re-arrangements, the costs involved mean that option b) is the only realistic way forward and I trust that supporters will understand this. I can assure you however that our inserts will be considerably more substantial than that issued by Brentford FC on January 30th!

I would like to finish this piece with my own thoughts on a possible "Winter Break" during the season. I think such an idea is a non-starter - who can plan months in advance when, if at all, the bad weather is going to come? You could plan for a 2/3 week break in say early January only to find reasonable weather then, followed by arctic conditions in February. I would instead advocate the following. Schedule only the minimum amount of games, Saturdays alone, from Christmas to the end of February. More midweek League fixtures should be arranged for the months from September to November inclusive i.e. when the weather is usually OK. To make room in the fixture list, the Second (and possibly First as well) Rounds of the Coca-Cola Cup, and the first round of the Auto Windscreens Trophy, should be made one-off straight knock-out fixtures. Does anyone agree?

Adrian Wood, Programme Editor, WWFC

THE SPRINGHEATH PRINT CAPITAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(Up to and including Friday, 23rd February 1996)

	P	W	D	L	F	Goals		PTS.
						A	GD	
Wycombe Wanderers	17	11	4	2	52	17	+35	37
Barnet	19	11	4	4	39	24	+15	37
Brentford	17	11	2	4	45	19	+26	35
Cambridge United	20	10	4	6	35	33	+2	34
Reading	17	10	3	4	45	23	+22	33
Fulham	17	9	4	4	47	25	+22	31
Northampton Town	16	6	6	4	39	23	+16	24
Gillingham	14	7	3	4	30	23	+7	24
West Ham United	13	7	2	4	26	24	+2	33
Leyton Orient	18	5	7	6	24	32	-8	22
Peterborough United	14	6	3	5	30	22	+8	21
Colchester United	16	6	1	9	24	26	-2	19
Southend United	14	5	3	6	25	27	-2	18
Welling United	16	4	5	7	18	34	-16	17
Sutton United	16	3	3	10	15	37	-22	12
Woking	14	2	1	11	15	43	-28	7
Crawley Town	14	2	1	11	10	46	-36	7
Wokingham Town	16	1	0	15	16	57	-41	3

Reserve Team Remaining Fixtures

March 13th	Fulham	H
March 18th	Crawley Town	A
March 20th	Colchester United	H
March 25th	Southend United	A
April 3rd	West Ham United	A
April 10th	Barnet	A
April 17th	Brentford	A
TBA	Welling United	H

Today's Division Two Fixtures

AFC Bournemouth	v	Oxford United
Bradford City	v	York City
Brighton & HA	v	Brentford
Bristol Rovers	v	Shrewsbury Town
Burnley	v	Blackpool
Carlisle United	v	Stockport County
Notts County	v	Hull City
Peterborough United	v	Chesterfield
Swansea City	v	Bristol City
Walsall	v	Rotherham United
Wrexham	v	Crewe Alexandra
Wycombe Wanderers	v	Swindon Town

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This coming Wednesday, March 6th we are due to entertain Brighton & Hove Albion in a rearranged Endsleigh League Division Two fixture at Adams Park, kick off 7.45 p.m.

Last Saturday's 2-1 reverse at Blackpool leaves Jimmy Case's side in a perilous position in the Division Two table - in 22nd place with 26 points from their 30 League games played to date. They've played 15 League games away from home, with three victories - at Bristol City (1-0), Brentford (1-0) and at Bradford City (3-1). In addition three away draws have been obtained -

at Wrexham, Hull and at Oxford United. Goals scored have been a problem with just 29 in the League to date - former Spurs trainee Jeff Minton is leading scorer with five. Case has recently paid £40,000 to Southampton to bring striker Paul McDonald to The Goldstone Ground in an attempt to solve the problem.

The Seagulls record at Adams Park however is good. They won 3-1 here in August 1994 on their way to an aggregate 5-2 win in the Coca-Cola Cup, first round. Their goalscorers that evening were Kurt Nogan (2), who has since moved to Burnley, and Junior McDougald who finished the club's leading League scorer last season. When the clubs met in the League, on Boxing Day, the Seagulls deserved their share of the spoils as they returned south with a 0-0 scoreline.

With Alan Smith's men keen to build on last Saturday's excellent performance against Stockport and Jimmy Case's men desperate for the points, it should be a good fixture. Make sure you are here to see it!!!



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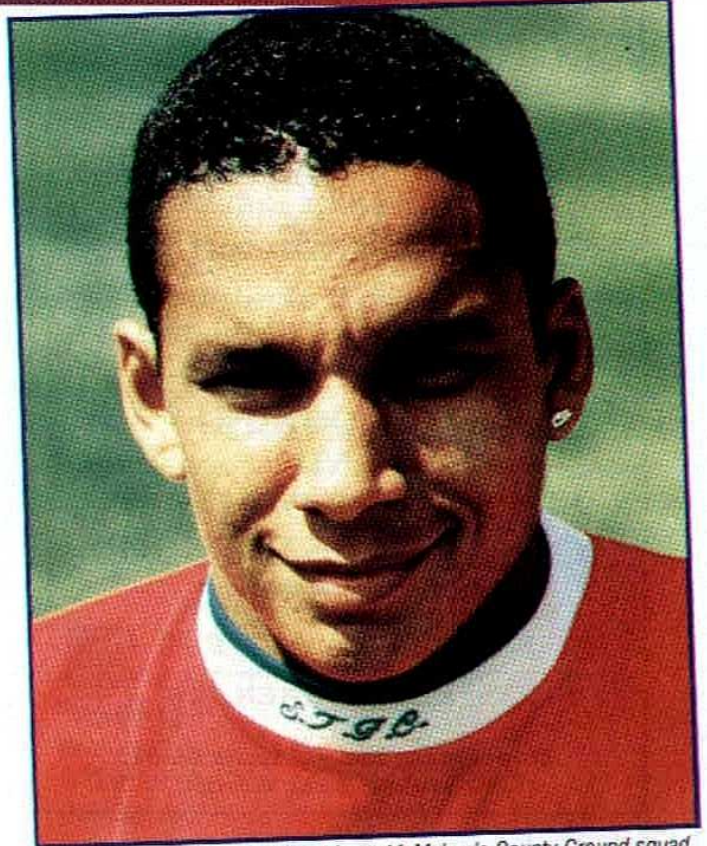
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Once a Wanderer . . . Now a Robin

Likely to be in the Swindon squad for this afternoon's game is Ty Gooden who most Wanderers followers will remember as being on the Adams Park staff for some two seasons in the early 90s.

Ty, who usually plays wide on the left, was born in Canvey Island (23/10/72). He spent two years as a youth player with Arsenal before moving to Wycombe in July 1991. He made his debut on July 27th when he came on as substitute in the pre-season home friendly with West Ham United. He made an immediate impact - scoring Wanderers' first goal in the 2-1 victory. With wide men of the calibre of Carroll, Guppy and Hutchinson in the squad however, Ty's first team appearances were limited. During season 1991/92 he made a total of 12 first team appearances (seven of which were as substitute). He started just one Vauxhall Conference fixture, but did score a cracking goal at Merthyr Tydfil in the Bob Lord Trophy. The trend continued in 1992/93 - seven first team appearances which included two Conference starts in April. Ty then



Now - Ty, a valuable member of Steve McMahon's County Ground squad.



Then - Ty in a rare Vauxhall Conference appearance for Wycombe - versus Redbridge Forest 2/11/91

featured in the pre-season 2-2 friendly with Swindon in July 1993 before being allowed to leave the club for pastures anew.

It was John Gorman who recognised Ty's undoubted potential and gave him a chance at the County Ground. With the side doomed

at the foot of the Premiership, Ty made his debut, as a substitute, at West Ham on March 5th 1994. He was then in the starting line up for the last two games of the Robins' Premiership campaign.

Last season, Ty made a total of 16 Division One appearances with two goals - one a memorable effort at West Bromwich in front of the ITV cameras. It is this season however that Ty has become a regular member of the first team squad. Although often used as a substitute, the fixture against Brentford on

February 25th was his 15th full appearance of the season and he has netted three goals so far. Having recently signed a 2½ year contract with Swindon, the future is beginning to look good for Ty.

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Youth Team News

by Dave Finch - Reports by Gary Trimby

Saturday, 24th February v Swindon Town (home) SECL Drew 1-1

Once again I am indebted to Gary Trimby for supplying this report in my absence.

With James Glynn and Alan Beeton still on the injured list, and Lewis Craker suspended, our defence had a new look about it, with Richard Dee coming in for his full debut. The game was played on a heavy pitch and the continuous rain and wind made things difficult. The opening half-hour was scrappy, with both sides making mistakes. We were dealt a further blow when Jeff Lamb went off injured after 25 minutes. Aaron Patton moved back to full back with the introduction of Andy Baird. In the 38th minute, Damien Markman sent a ball across the area with no one able to get a touch to it, while, three minutes later, Lee Allen appeared to be pushed in the area with nothing given.

The game improved in the second half and we had the better chances. Markman fired one good chance over, while Mildenhall, in the visitors goal, saved well from Martin Rowlands and Dee, who impressed on his first appearance. At the other end, Graham Hall had to head out from under the bar after a swift Swindon break. Rowlands, who had a busy game in midfield, then went close twice before the visitors opened the scoring with 10 minutes left. Finlayson drove a ball across the area for Woodman to turn in from close range. We equalised deep into injury time when Mildenhall fumbled Rowland's corner and the ball went in off the post.

Line-up:- Tom Keys, Richard Dee, Jeff Lamb (Andy Baird), Gary Wraight, Lee Passmore, Graham Hall, Maurice Harkin, Martin Rowlands, Lee Allen, Damien Markman, Aaron Patton. Subs (not used):- Lee Smith, Stuart Cowie.

Statistics (All games) Appearances

Graham Hall 27, Lee Allen 26, Tom Keys 25, Aaron Patton 25, Lewis Craker 24, James Glynn 24, Damien Markman 24, Lee Passmore 19, Maurice Harkin 18, Gary Wraight 18, Alan Beeton 17, Dave Sargent 17, Jeff Lamb 7, Martin Rowlands 7, Stuart Cowie 7, Stuart Marks 3, Lee Holman 2, Gavin Mernagh 2, Andy Baird 1, Richard Dee 1, Richard Hull 1, Richard Minhinick 1, Kevin Randall 1, Michael Stevens 1, Daniel Sutherland 1

Substitute Appearances

Cowie 8, Hull 5, Baird 4, Gerry Day 4, Harkin 4, Passmore 3, Haydon Clements 2, Sargent 2, Allen 1, Beeton 1, Dee 1, Matt Hodson 1, Lee Smith 1, Richard Teale 1, Jason Thomas 1.

Goalscorers

Markman 16, Allen 10, Patton 5, Wraight 3, Beeton 2, Cowie 1, Harkin 1, Marks 1, Rowlands 1, plus two own goals.

South East Counties League Division Two Table

(Up to Friday, 1st March)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Crystal Palace	21	16	3	2	62	23	35	+39
Luton Town	21	12	3	6	42	27	27	+15
Bournemouth	21	11	4	6	40	35	26	+5
WYCOMBE W	23	11	4	8	37	36	26	+1
Southampton	22	11	2	9	39	20	24	+19
Oxford United	20	11	2	7	42	29	24	+13
Brentford	23	9	4	10	29	36	22	-7
Wimbledon	19	10	1	8	38	26	21	+12
Barnet	22	7	7	8	30	29	21	+1
Brighton & HA	20	9	3	8	27	29	21	-2
Tottenham	21	7	7	7	37	40	21	-3
Bristol City	22	6	7	9	32	36	19	-4
Swindon Town	21	5	6	10	25	37	16	-12
Reading	22	6	4	12	24	57	16	-33
Bristol Rovers	22	5	5	12	28	40	15	-12
Colchester Utd	22	2	5	15	21	52	9	-31

Next Fixtures

Saturday, 2nd March
v Colchester (away) SECL

Saturday, 9th March
v Brentford (home) SECL

Saturday, 16th March
v Oxford United (home) SECL

Home games are played at
Molins Sports Ground,
Monks Risborough, 11 a.m. kick off.



Lee Passmore - who started the season in midfield, but who has recently been deputising in defence due to injuries to other players. (Photo - Paul Dennis)

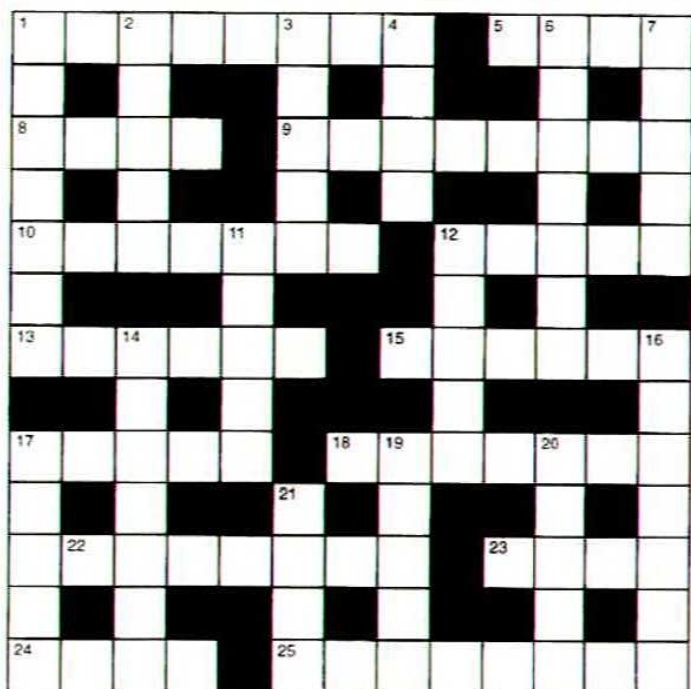
Thinking Hats On

ACROSS

- 1 Rochdale feel at home here (8)
- 5 Takes advantage of Sue's confusion (94)
- 8 Played for two United sides before leaving for Italy (4)
- 9 Side from Burslem (4.4)
- 10 A weight off the side from Feethams ground; sweetie (7)
- 12 Shouted or wept (5)
- 13 Rover formerly at Kenilworth Road (6)
- 15 Blissett formerly at Vicarage Road (6)
- 17 Takes penalties at Boleyn Ground E13 (5)
- 18 Got rid of, illegal in soccer (7)
- 22 Children if you speak six, boy (8)
- 23 Ruling body of our world wide game (1.1.1.1)
- 24 Draws sound neck and socks (4)
- 25 Won four games in '66 World Cup before losing to England in Semis (8)

DOWN

- 1 Down with sin in Wiltshire! (7)
- 2 Happen (5)
- 3 Tree in Colorado (5)
- 4 Blue in Oxford (4)
- 6 Language of Mexico (7)
- 7 Move rapidly in Leeds (5)
- 11 Loafs so slide around (5)
- 12 A little bread (5)
- 14 Its where you are - or were on matchday (7)
- 16 Russian dance, with 15 on the table (3.4)
- 17 French first public appearance (5)
- 19 The roles are changed but you still won't win (5)
- 20 Could the press squeeze and district - of course (5)
- 21 Break and restart the game in the NFL? (4)



10 Quick Questions on today's visitors

1. What former Town player was Manager from 1980-83?
2. And which South American was in charge from 1989-91?
3. Can you name player-manager Steve McMahon's four former clubs?
4. Town won the League Cup in 1968/69. Who did they beat in the final, and what was the score?
5. What trophy was won in 1970?
6. Who was the club's leading goalscorer last season, and where is he now?
7. Who was sold to Tottenham for £1¼m in August 1993?
8. Name the youngest player to appear for the club and where is he now?
9. In season 1993/94 who scored the winning goal in Town's first victory in the Premiership?
10. Non League side beaten by Swindon in this season's F.A. Cup (Third Round).

Crossword courtesy of Paul Hutchinson
Please turn to Page 43 for solution

Please turn to Page 43 for answers



Their Last Visit

by Dave Finch

Although this will be Swindon's first competitive visit to Adams Park, they came here for a pre-season friendly on Saturday, 31st July 1993. Wycombe were just about to embark on their first season in the Football League, while Swindon were looking forward to the Premiership. An entertaining game finished in a 2-2 draw. As was the norm with Martin

O'Neill, the Blues used over 20 players, the bulk of which took part in the previous season's successes. Swindon fielded new signings, Luc Nijholt, Jan Aage Fjortoft and Adrian Whitbread. They wasted no time in taking the lead, Steve White firing home in the second minute after Wycombe's defence had failed to clear a corner. For a while, the Robins threatened to overrun the Blues, but gradually Wycombe got going and Hakan Hayrettin went close with a chip over the bar before Matt Crossley headed in Dave Carroll's corner in the 40th minute. Crossley then saw another header cleared off the line as half-time approached. The visitors regained the lead two minutes

after the interval when Craig Maskell's pass but Martin Ling through and he finished with a shot in off the bar. Again Wycombe hit back and Kim Casey struck a post with a header, before Keith Scott nodded in at the near post from a 56th minute corner. After this, Scott went close with another header, while Nicky Hammond, who had replaced Fraser Digby, made a good save from Ian Willmott's free kick. At the other end, Chuck Moussaddik made a brave save at Maskell's feet. The attendance was 2,832.



Keith Scott - who appeared for Wycombe in the featured game but who was to move to Swindon for a £300,000 fee in November of that season. Keith netted in his first two Premiership appearances, finishing that season with four goals for the Robins. In 1994/95, he scored with goals in Division One fixtures, plus four Cup goals, before moving onto Stoke City in December 1994.

Line-ups:-

Wycombe: P.Hyde (C.Moussaddik), J.Cousins (G.Carr), G.Cooper (I.Willmott), D.Horton (D.Mundee), M.Crossley (A.Vircavs), S.Thompson (T.Gooden), D.Carroll (S.Hutchinson), T.Langford (K.Casey), S.Stapleton (D.Greene), K.Scott (M.West), H.Hayrettin.

Swindon:-

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Particular thanks to their Managing Director, Graham Burke who has really looked after the Club's interests and been extremely generous towards all the players.

The Club welcomes today, Peter Barber and his wife to Adams Park for the first time. Peter is Mizuno's Head of Sports for Europe, and is here this afternoon to officially launch our new contract with Mizuno with Chairman Ivor Beeks. Mizuno also sponsor Swindon Town, so it seemed particularly pertinent that we both chose today to announce what the Club believes will be another step forward, as Mizuno is one of the fastest growing sports brands in the UK.

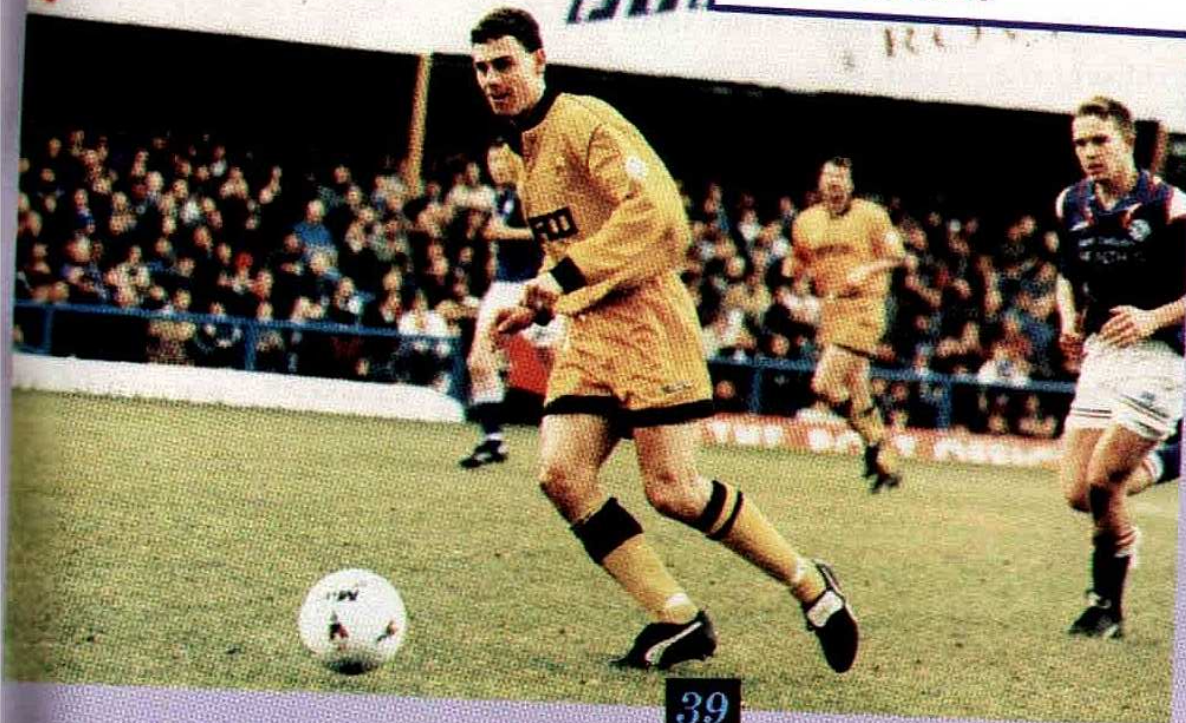
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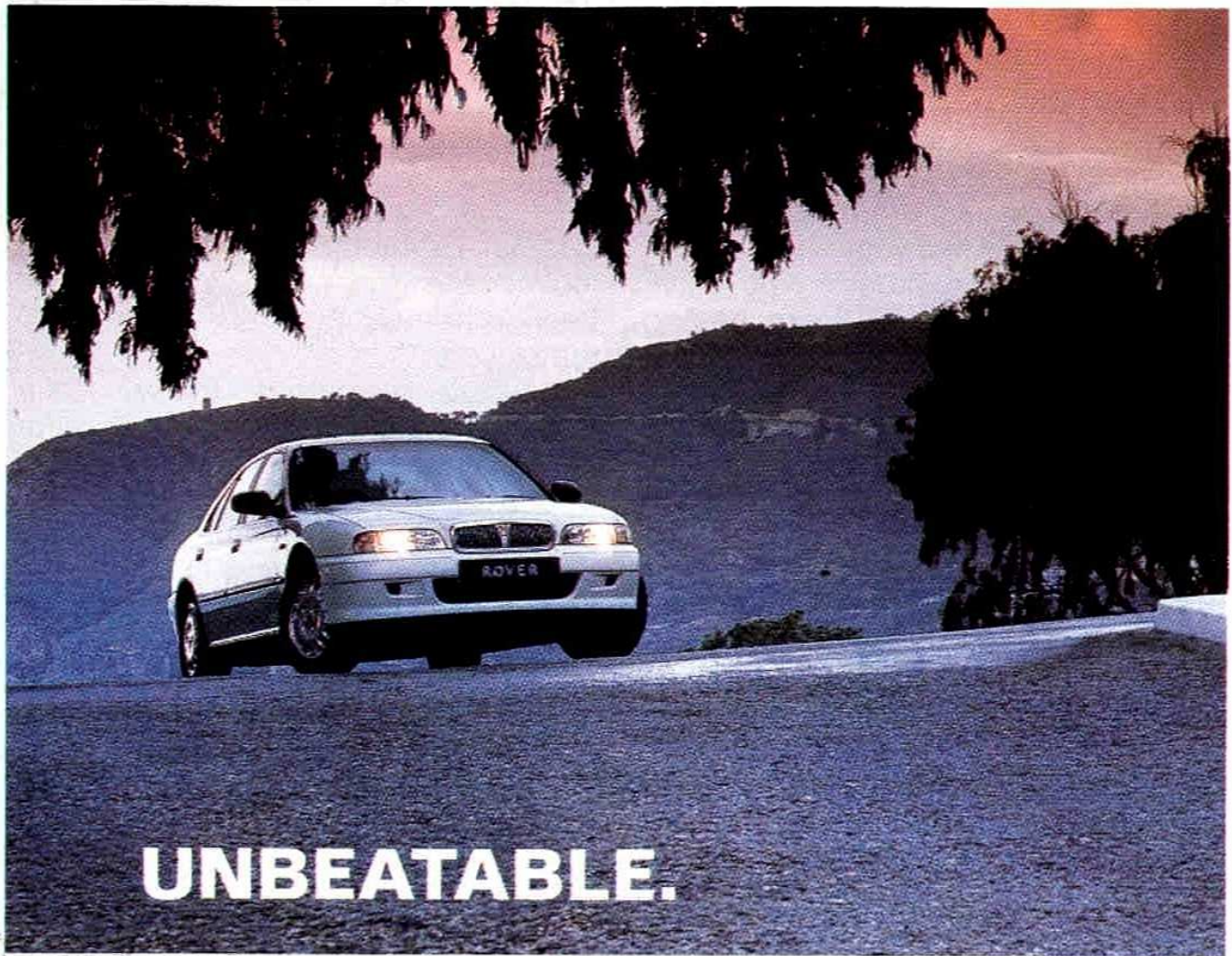
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Substitute Dave Farrell heads for goal.

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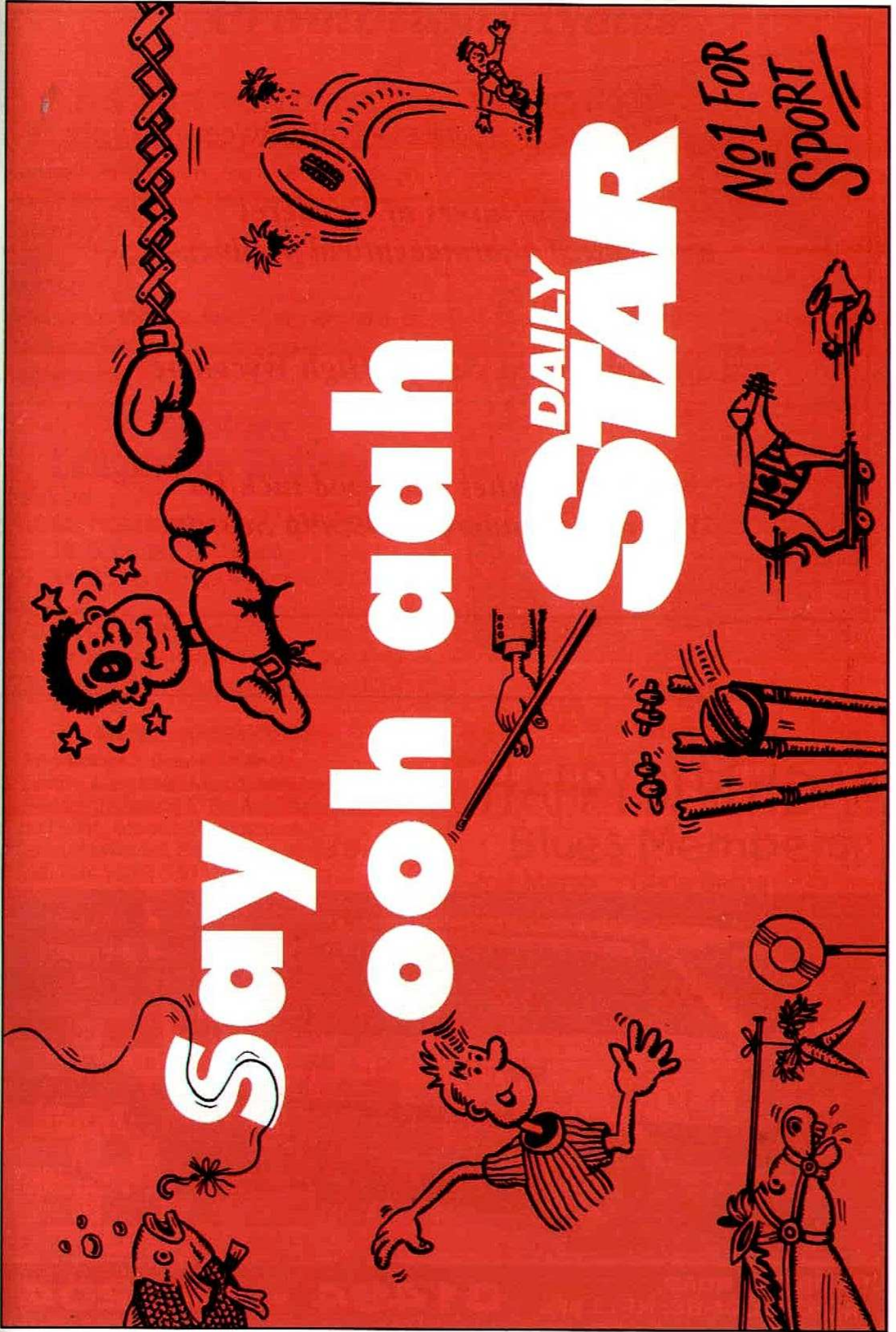
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In Reserve - Capital League Reports

by Gary Trimby

Wednesday 14th February
Peterborough United (1) 2
Wycombe (1) 2

This match was played at the Pearl Assurance Sports Ground at Castor with a 2 p.m. kick-off, due to Peterborough's London Road pitch being in poor condition. Wanderers made a bright start to the game with Damien Markman having a shooting opportunity after only four minutes, however his tame shot was gathered by Posh keeper Rigby. In the eighth minute Brian McGorry fired over from the edge of the box and then a minute later just failed to turn in a low cross by David Farrell, hitting the foot of the post, after a touch on by Markman. Following these let-off's Peterborough began to come into the game more. However with 20 minutes gone a through ball by Paul Hardyman saw Markman again denied by Rigby who just managed to whip the ball off the young strikers toe. Three minutes later Posh put together a very good move with a deep cross by winger Morrison being headed home by Clever to put the home side ahead. Wycombe's response was almost immediate, although Steve McGavin lost possession the ball ran to Farrell who cracked it high into the net from the edge of the area. 28 minutes gone, Lee Allen found Markman, who turned only to see his shot tipped away by Rigby. Minutes later Simon Stapleton made a strong run into the right of the box and put in a deep cross which reached Farrell, only for the winger to mishit his effort and end up clearing the ball for the Posh defence. The final 15 minutes of the half saw our defence put under pressure, but they stood firm. It was Peterborough that had the better moments at the opening of the second half and went ahead again in the 57th minute. A corner by Basham was headed home at the far post. by Blye with our defence flat footed.

Stapleton was again denied by Rigby after another strong run, before we equalised again just after the hour. Hardyman fed the ball out to Farrell whose telling cross was met by Markman and his glancing header nestled just inside the far post. Wanderers were now controlling the game with both Stapleton and McGorry testing Rigby at every opportunity. However a further goal was elusive and it was Posh who nearly stole the points when, with five minutes left, they broke our offside trap and only a well timed dive by Vince Matassa at the feet of Morrison denied them.

Wanderers Line-Up: V. Matassa, S. Stevens, P. Hardyman, G. Hall, J. Soloman, S. Stapleton, L. Allen (L. Craker), B. McGorry, D. Markman, S. McGavin and D. Farrell. Subs (not used) G. Wraight and A. Patton. (Wycombe wore the All Yellow kit for this game)

Wednesday 21st February

Leyton Orient (1) 2
Wycombe Wanderers (0) 2

This game was also switched to an afternoon kick-off due to the adverse weather. With the first 20 minutes of the game rather scrappy, it was Wanderers who settled first and began to create chances. Firstly Martin Rowland lobbed the ball forward and it fell invitingly for Damien Markman, but his effort was poor and wide after 21 minutes. Four minutes later Shaun Steven's throughball gave Markman another opportunity, but he shot into the side netting. Then Matt Lawrence headed on to give Brian McGorry a chance, but again the effort was wide. Steve McGavin was only inches away from converting a low cross from Lawrence in the 28th minute. Lawrence playing his first game since badly cutting his knee in training, then had to leave the field as the wound opened up again and was replaced by Gary Wraight. Wraight was soon in the action and hit the bar on the half-hour. 38 minutes on and Wycombe paid for the missed chances, as Livett thundered in a free kick from 25 yards to put Orient ahead. Aaron Patton replaced the injured Rowland five minutes before the half-time whistle, which, very much against the run of play, saw the O's go in leading. They extended that lead five minutes after the break when a cross from the right by Baker was headed in by Williams. Manager David Kemp reacted by withdrawing Patton and sending on Lee Allen. However, we created little and it was only stout defending by Jason Soloman and Graham Hall that prevented Orient increasing their lead further. However, in the 69th minute McGavin was brought down in the O's box and Paul Hardyman scored from the spot. Although we pushed forward at every opportunity an equaliser looked faint until, with only three minutes remaining. Steven's determined run saw him upended just inside the box allowing Hardyman to convert another penalty and secure a point to keep us top of the League.

Wanderers Line-Up: V. Matassa, S. Stevens, J. Soloman, G. Hall, P. Hardyman, S. Stapleton, M. Lawrence (G. Wraight), B. McGorry, S. McGavin, D. Markman, R. Rowland (A. Patton), (L. Allen).



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Paul Hardyman - two penalty goals at Brisbane Road on February 21st.

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