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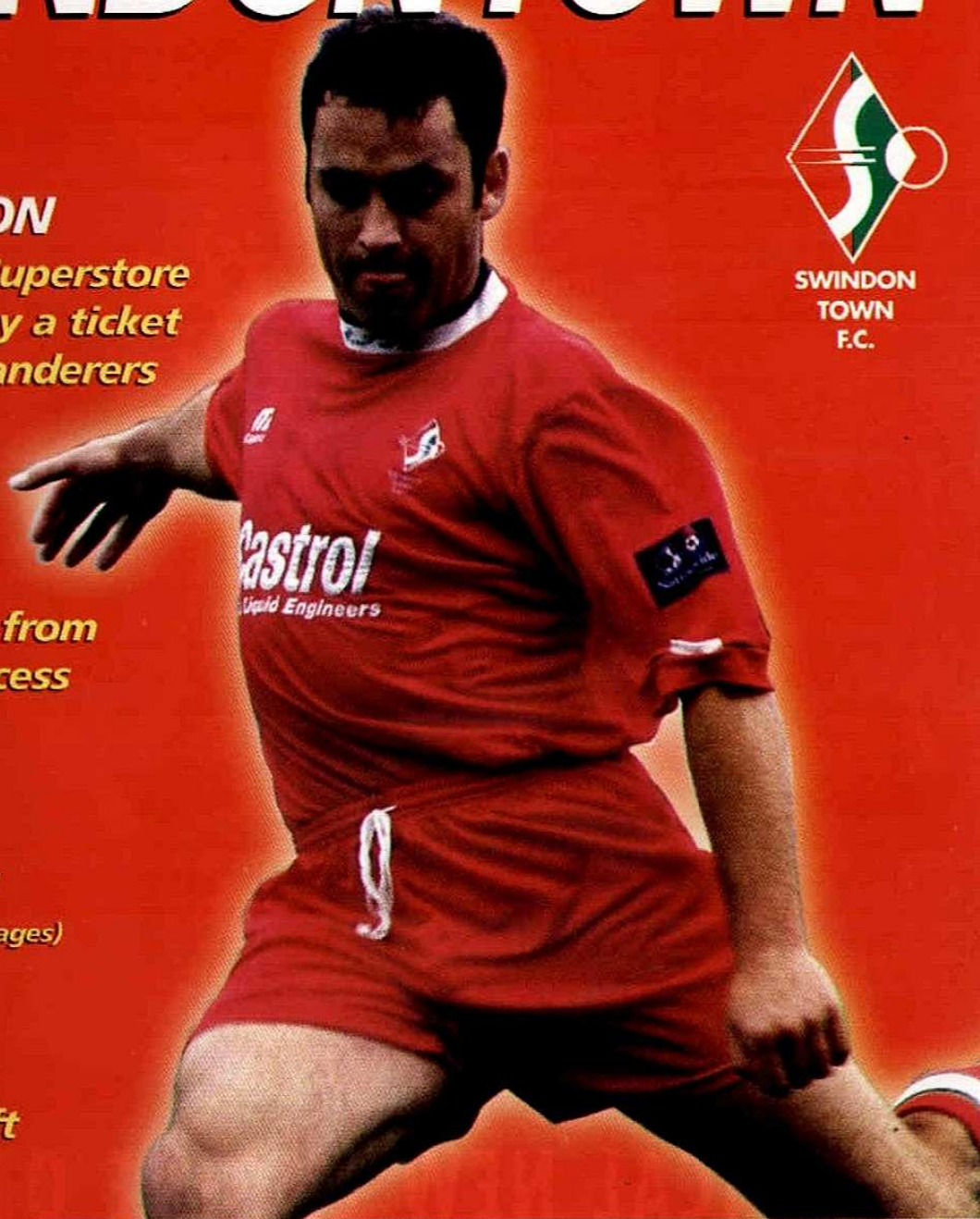
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# welcome to swindon town

***It seems ages since our superb victory over Manchester City here at the County Ground but this afternoon we finally return to First Division action with the visit of promotion chasing Barnsley.***

The Tykes boast the best away record in the division as they have not yet lost on their travels this term.

But we will be out to dent that impressive run today as the Barmy Army go in search of precious points to push the Club up among the pace-setters.

## Doubletrouble

***Wayne Allison struck both goals as Swindon sank Manchester City 2-0 in our last league game here a fortnight ago.***

Skipper Kevin Horlock missed a first half penalty but it didn't matter in the end as The Chief netted twice during the second half to clinch maximum points for Swindon.

## Tykes turn it on

***Barnsley prepared for this afternoon's clash with a fine 3-1 triumph over Norwich City at their Oakwell Ground on Tuesday night.***

Adrian Moses fired Barnsley ahead with a stunning volley early in the second half and the home team took complete control when the Tykes former Middlesbrough connection combined.

John Hendrie's shot was blocked but Paul Wilkinson followed up to score his first goal in 11 starts.

Hendrie put the issue beyond doubt with Barnsley's third.

## Rearranged dates

***After today's match, Swindon face three away trips in a row, two of them games which have been rearranged due to postponements earlier in the season.***

On Tuesday Town travel to Ipswich Town (7.45pm) after the original game was cancelled because of the Suffolk side's International call-ups.

Next Saturday we go to Trevor Francis' Birmingham City (3pm) who are struggling to make an impact in Division One.

And the following Tuesday November 26th (7.45pm) we face the long trek to Sheffield United.

This game was scheduled to take place last Saturday but was called off at the last minute when United defender Roger Nilsen was called into the Norway squad.

He became the third Sheffield star to be on international duty with Gareth Taylor playing for Wales and Alan Kelly in the Republic of Ireland line-up.

Perhaps it was a blessing in disguise as Swindon would have been without the influential Kevin Horlock who played a major role in Northern Ireland's 1-1 draw in Germany.

## Latest odds

Bookmakers William Hill have quoted Swindon as 40-1 outsiders to win the Division One title.

Barnsley have odds of 28-1.

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# *the manager*

## Steve McMahon says



***It seems a long time since we beat Manchester City here at the County Ground and everyone is keen to get back into action after our enforced two week break.***

Obviously we would have preferred to have played at Sheffield United last week on the back of such a good performance against my old club City.

But it was not to be because of International call-ups and at least it gave some of our injured players the chance to make a full recovery.

With most of our injury worries now behind us it leaves me with almost a full squad to choose from which of course is great news.

It means that a few players may be left disappointed at not making the starting line-up but that is the whole point of having a squad system.

It is up to the players that are in the side to hang onto their shirts and after such a gutsy display by so many in our last game, I'm left with a selection dilemma - but that is the best position to be in.

Whichever team I send out they will have to show the same attitude and commitment we did against City if we are to get anything out of today's game against high-flying Barnsley.

Danny Wilson has done a tremendous job and has got Barnsley playing some attractive football.

Their style is similar to ours in that they like to pass the ball around so everything is set up for an exciting encounter this afternoon.

Barnsley come here after a superb 3-1 win against Norwich during the week so it is up to us to bring them back down to earth.

Although we weren't in action last weekend, Kevin Horlock played for Northern Ireland in their World Cup qualifier and congratulations to him on helping his team pull off a tremendous 1-1 draw against the Germans.

I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome newcomer Peter Holcroft on board.

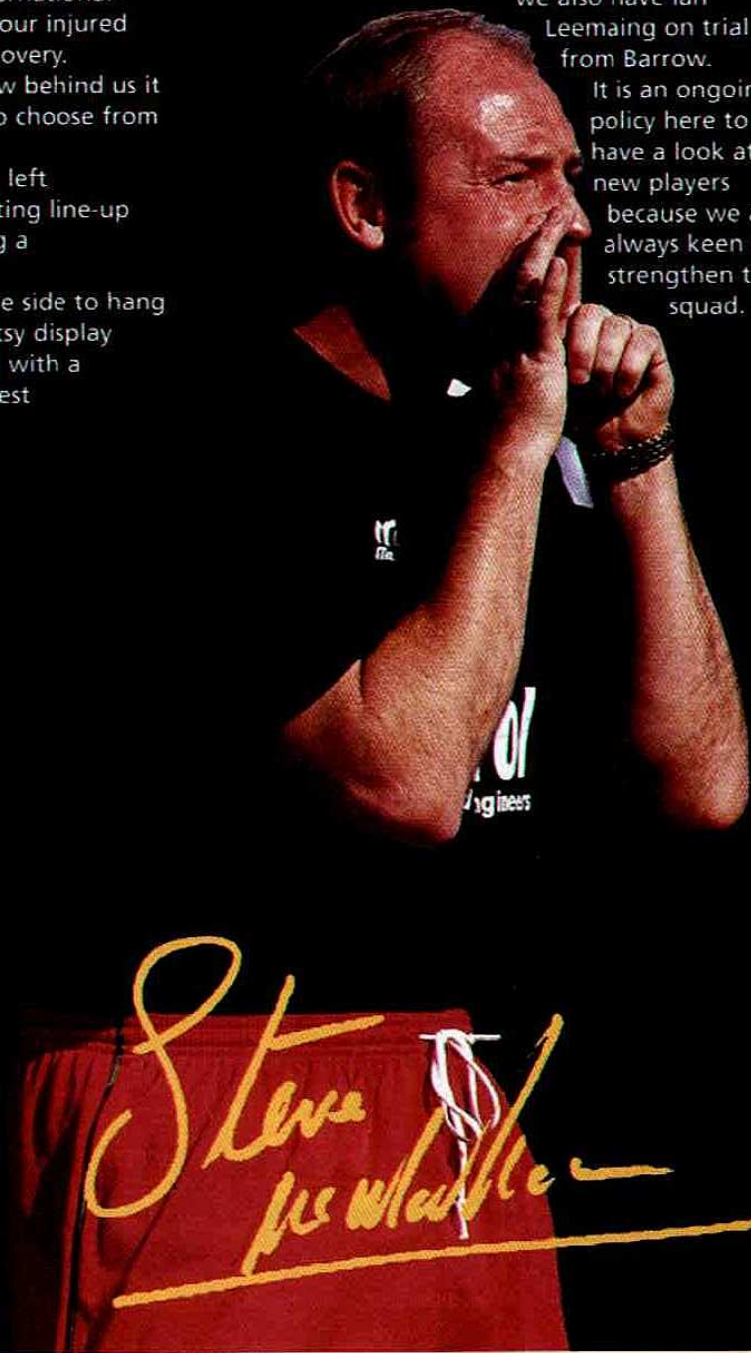
He is a talented young lad who I have kept a close eye on for some time and I'm delighted to finally get my man.

We also have a couple of trialists at the Club at the moment who we are having a look at to see if they could improve our squad.

Neil Allison is spending a couple of weeks here after being given a free transfer by Hull City and we also have Ian

Leemaing on trial from Barrow.

It is an ongoing policy here to have a look at new players because we are always keen to strengthen the squad.



# today's visitors

**One of the surprise packages of the season, Barnsley have confounded the critics by keeping their tremendous early-season form going right into November - and they are still among the division's pace-setters.**

Five successive wins kicked-off the campaign and saw the Tykes rocket to the head of the First Division table. At the time of writing they have lost only twice in the League all season, and are as yet undefeated away from home.

When that first League loss finally came - at home to Queens Park Rangers in mid-September - many observers suggested that it was the beginning of the end for Barnsley, and the unfashionable South Yorkshire club was sure to start quickly sliding out of sight down the League ladder.

But a seven match unbeaten run, stretching from October 1st, has kept confidence high at Oakwell,

although the Tykes have found it hard to kill off opponents in that time, with six of those games finishing as draws.

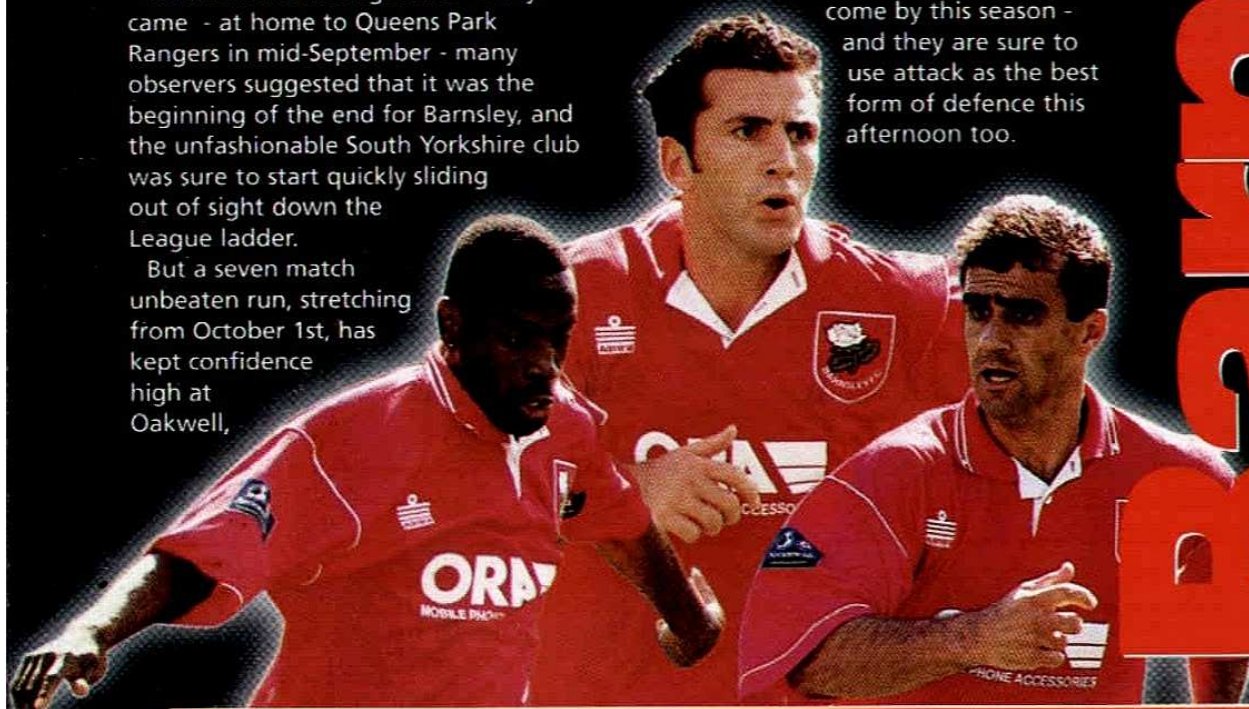
In the shape of Andy Liddell, Neil Redfearn and Clint Marcelle, Barnsley can boast three of the First Division's most dangerous goalscorers, while recent signing John Hendrie will only add to that menace.

The Tykes have already played host to two of the top sides, forcing draws against both Bolton and Crystal Palace, while on Tuesday they recorded a 3-1 home win over third placed Norwich City.

Danny Wilson's attractive side have found goals fairly easy to come by this season - and they are sure to use attack as the best form of defence this afternoon too.



# Barnsley



**Barnsley Football Club 1996/97**

- Back Row:** (left to right)  
Paul Smith (Physio), Dean Jones, Mark Hume, Dave Regis, Darron Clyde, Jonathan Perry, Mick Tarmey (Physio).
- Third Row:** (left to right)  
Eric Winstanley (First Team Coach), Paul Wilkinson, Peter Shirtliff, Steve Davis, Adam Sollitt, David Watson, Adrian Moses, Arjan de Zeeuw, Neil Thompson, Malcolm Shotton (Reserve Team Coach).
- Second Row:** (left to right)  
Garel van der Velden, Glynn Hurst, Luke Beckett, Laurens Ten Heuvel, Troy Bennett, Nicky Eaden, Jovo Bosancic, Chris Morgan, Scott Jones.
- Front Row:** (left to right)  
Sean McClare, Andy Liddell, Clint Marcelle, Neil Redfearn, Danny Wilson (Manager), Martin Bullock, Darren Sheridan, Matt Appleby, Andrew Gregory.



# one to watch Clint Marcelle

**This highly-rated 27-year-old attacking midfielder has played a huge part in Barnsley's impressive start to the current League campaign.**

With four goals in six games, Marcelle has proven a sound acquisition by manager Danny Wilson - and the signs are that the best is still to come.

Former Ipswich Town and England boss Bobby Robson recommended the midfield star to Danny Wilson during the summer, and the Oakwell club were quick to fork out the £200,000 required to secure Marcelle's mercurial services.

Robson, now manager at Barcelona but formerly boss of Portuguese Champions Porto, had spotted the player in action

for League rivals Felgueiras last term and reckoned he was just what Barnsley were looking for.

Marcelle was quick to

repay the faith shown in him, scoring the winner in Barnsley's opening game of the current campaign as a 2-1 victory over West Brom kick-started a five match, 15-point haul that shot the Yorkshiremen to the top of the First Division table.



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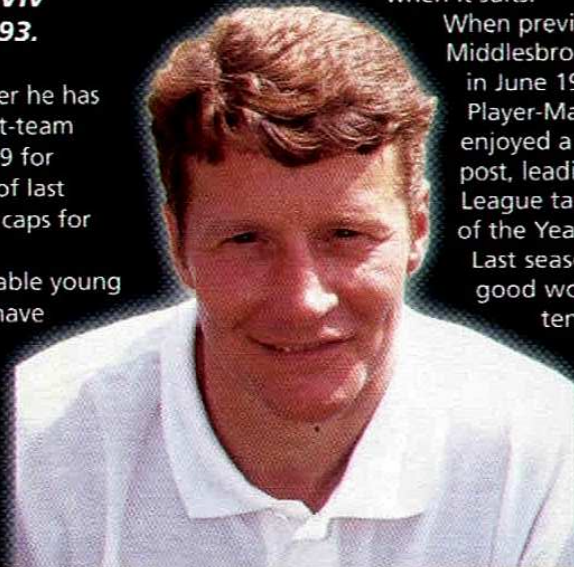
**Name:** Clint Marcelle  
**Position:** Midfielder  
**Born:** Trinidad, 09.11.68  
**Height:** 5ft 10in  
**Weight:** 11st 5lb  
**International Honours:**  
Trinidad & Tobago  
30 Full caps  
**League record last season:**  
Overseas

# Danny Wilson the manager

**Danny started his career with his hometown Club, Wigan Athletic, and also played for Bury, Chesterfield, Nottingham Forest, Brighton, Luton and Sheffield Wednesday before joining Barnsley as Player-Coach under Viv Anderson in July 1993.**

During his 18 year career he has made more than 740 first-team appearances, including 89 for the Tykes up to the end of last season, and also won 24 caps for Northern Ireland.

High points of this likeable young manager's playing days have been his contribution to two League Cup-winning sides - Luton (1988) and Sheffield Wednesday (1991) - as well as representing his country.



A good all-round midfielder with an excellent work-rate, Danny is an excellent striker of the ball who has the talent and vision to change the direction of play when it suits.

When previous boss Viv Anderson moved to Middlesbrough as assistant to Bryan Robson in June 1994, Danny was appointed Player-Manager at Oakwell and he enjoyed a successful first season in the post, leading the Tykes to sixth spot in the League table and also being voted 'Player of the Year' for good measure.

Last season saw Barnsley keep up the good work by finishing a creditable tenth, while a tremendous early burst in 1996/97 resulted in the Tykes starting September top of the First Division table on the back of five straight wins, and the Oakwell side are still well in contention for an end-of-season Play-Off place.



# player profile

B A R N S L E Y

One of the big success stories of Barnsley's highly-rated Youth policy has been the emergence of goalkeeper **DAVID WATSON**, who represented England U21s and the Endsleigh League last season. A supreme shot-stopper, David missed just one League game last term and presents a formidable barrier in the Tykes' goal.

His understudy is Sheffield-born teenager **ADAM SOLLITT** who has been with the Club since his schooldays. A highly-rated youngster for whom the Oakwell coaching staff have high hopes, Adam signed professional in July 1995.

Now recovered from a serious knee injury suffered in February, **STEVE DAVIS** is an experienced central defender who loves to get among the goals, and cost the Club £180,000 when he signed from Burnley in July 1991.

He began with Stoke before moving to Crewe in 1983, where he made his Football League debut, and then joined Burnley in October 1987. Club captain at Turf Moor, he was voted 'Player of the Year' in his last campaign for the Club.

Happy playing in the popular wing-back role down the right flank is local Barnsley boy **NICKY EADEN**, who originally turned down the Club's offer of a YTS contract to remain at school and finish his 'A' levels. He was the Tykes' only ever-present last season, and likes to shoot from distance.

Often playing a sweeper's role at the back for Barnsley is Northern Ireland international **GARY FLEMING**, now happily returned to fitness after a terrible knee injury which ruled him out for almost the whole of 1995/96. Formerly with Nottingham Forest and Manchester City, Gary moved to Oakwell for £85,000 in March 1990.

Young central defender **ADRIAN MOSES** is a highly-rated player who is particularly good as a man-marker. Strong in the air and in the tackle, he is a homegrown player who has quietly established himself in the first-team over the last couple of seasons.

**PETER SHIRTLIFF** could be termed the 'one who got away' from

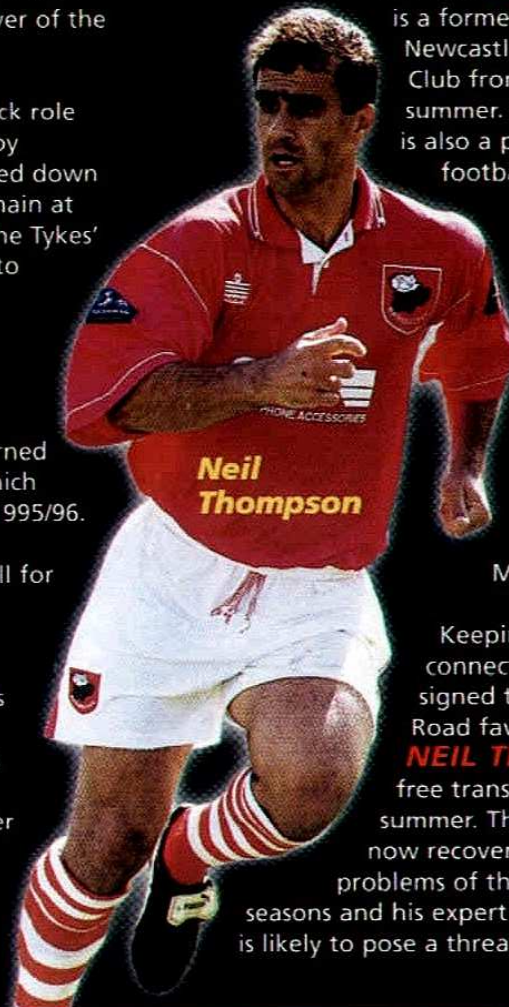
Oakwell. After playing for Barnsley Boys, Peter opted to sign for Sheffield Wednesday and spent eight seasons at Hillsborough before moving on to Charlton. Returning to Wednesday in 1989 he helped the Club to its 1991 League Cup triumph before becoming captain - and for a time caretaker manager - at Wolves. A brave and committed player with great leadership qualities, Peter moved to Oakwell in August 1995 for £125,000.

Last season's 'Player of the Year' for the Tykes was popular Dutchman **ARJAN DE ZEEUW**. A strong and composed central defender, Arjan was signed from Telstar for £200,000 in November 1995, and made his debut against Wolves, where he snuffed out the twin threat of Don Goodman and Steve Bull. A strong tackler and good distributor of the ball, he looks a fine purchase by Danny Wilson.

Left-back **MATTY APPLEBY** is a former Youth trainee at Newcastle who joined the Club from Darlington in the summer. His brother, Richard, is also a professional footballer.

**SCOTT JONES** is an ex-YTS at Oakwell who signed professional with Barnsley in January 1994 and made his debut against Ipswich Town in the Clubs' 3-3 draw in March 1996.

Keeping up the Ipswich connection, Barnsley signed the former Portman Road favourite **NEIL THOMPSON** on a free transfer during the summer. The popular Neil has now recovered from his knee problems of the past couple of seasons and his expert long-range shooting is likely to pose a threat.





# Barnsley



## PLAYER PROFILE

Highly-rated young midfielder **MARTIN BULLOCK** was a £15,000 snip from non-League Eastwood Town in September 1993. He made 45 appearances last season, but was often used as a substitute, with Danny Wilson bringing him on late to use his great pace and dribbling skills to terrorise tiring defences.

The experienced **NEIL REDFEARN** is a well-travelled central midfielder who was the Club's second highest scorer last season with 15 goals.

He has always looked the part during spells with Bolton, Lincoln, Doncaster, Crystal Palace, Watford and Oldham. Neil scored the vital goal which ensured promotion to the old First Division for the Boundary Park club in 1991, before almost immediately transferring to Barnsley for £150,000.

Whether performing as a tough-tackling central midfielder, or a flying left-sided wing-back,

**DARREN SHERIDAN** has come on in leaps and bounds since joining Barnsley following a week's trial from HFS Loans League side Winsford United in the summer of 1993. Formerly an apprentice with Leeds, Darren was released from Elland Road and drifted into Sunday League football before being picked out by Winsford.

**CAREL VAN DER VELDEN** joined Barnsley from Dutch club Den Bosch in March 1996 as a long-term replacement for boss Danny Wilson in the midfield. A good passer and shrewd organiser of the players around him, Carel made his debut against Port Vale in March 1996.

Continuing the foreign theme, **JOVO BOSANCIC** is a former Croatian U21 international who impressed during a two week trial at Oakwell during the summer of 1996 and was promptly signed up.

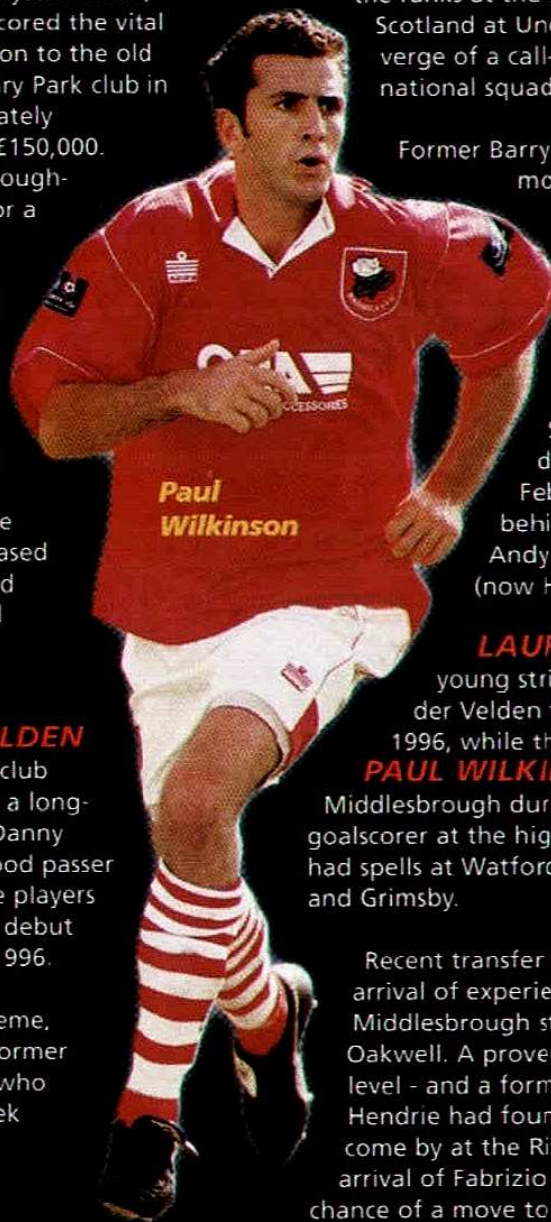
Barnsley-born **GLYNN HURST** eventually found his way to Oakwell after a roundabout trip that took him to South Africa, Tottenham and Derby County. Having emigrated to South Africa, Glynn was spotted by Spurs during an U16 match and signed as a YTS at White Hart Lane. He failed to make the grade there though, and after trials at Derby he returned to his native South Yorkshire in July 1994.

**ANDY LIDDELL** scored nine goals during the course of last season. Andy has come up through the ranks at the Club, has represented Scotland at Under-21 level and is on the verge of a call-up to Craig Brown's full national squad.

Former Barry Fry disciple **DAVE REGIS** moved North to Oakwell from Southend in a deal which took Andy Rammell in the other direction towards the end of last season. A player under Fry at Barnet and Birmingham, Dave still finished 1995/96 as Southend's leading scorer - despite leaving the Club in February. Struggled for chances behind the free-scoring pair of Andy Liddell and Andy Payton (now Huddersfield) last term.

**LAURENS TEN HEUVEL** is a young striker who followed Carel van der Velden from Den Bosch in March 1996, while the experienced **PAUL WILKINSON** was snapped up from Middlesbrough during the close season. A proven goalscorer at the highest level, Wilkinson has also had spells at Watford, Nottm Forest, Everton and Grimsby.

Recent transfer market activity has seen the arrival of experienced ex-Newcastle, Leeds and Middlesbrough striker **JOHN HENDRIE** at Oakwell. A proven goalscorer at the highest level - and a former Scotland Youth cap - Hendrie had found first-team chances hard to come by at the Riverside Stadium following the arrival of Fabrizio Ravanelli and jumped at the chance of a move to South Yorkshire.



# Barnsley

## VITAL STATISTICS



### Barnsley's record over the last 10 years

Season	Div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
86/87	2	42	14	13	15	49	46	55	11th
87/88	2	44	15	12	17	61	62	57	14th
88/89	2	46	20	14	12	66	58	74	7th
89/90	2	46	13	15	18	49	71	54	19th
90/91	2	46	19	12	15	63	40	69	8th
91/92	2	46	16	11	19	46	57	59	16th
92/93	1	46	17	9	20	56	60	60	13th
93/94	1	46	16	7	23	55	67	55	18th
94/95	1	46	20	12	14	63	52	72	6th
95/96	1	46	14	18	14	60	66	60	10th



**10 YEAR RECORD**

### OUR LEAGUE RECORD AGAINST BARNSELEY TO DATE...

Home	Div	Result
26-Aug-1959	3	1-1
19-Apr-1961	3	1-0
19-Sep-1961	3	1-1
15-Dec-1962	3	2-1
25-Mar-1969	3	2-0
03-May-1980	3	0-1
28-Feb-1981	3	2-0
15-Mar-1988	2	3-0
14-Jan-1989	2	0-0
16-Sep-1989	2	0-0
04-May-1991	2	1-2
31-Aug-1991	2	3-1
31-Oct-1992	1	1-0
25-Feb-1995	1	0-0

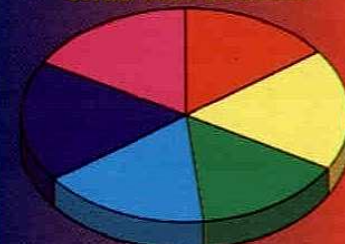
Away	Div	Result
02-Sep-1959	3	3-0
18-Mar-1961	3	1-2
27-Sep-1961	3	2-6
18-Aug-1962	3	1-1
01-Feb-1969	3	1-1
12-Jan-1980	3	2-1
20-Sep-1980	3	0-2
15-Sep-1987	2	1-0
29-Aug-1988	2	1-1
10-Feb-1990	2	1-0
27-Oct-1990	2	1-5
28-Dec-1991	2	1-1
08-May-1993	1	0-1
01-Oct-1994	1	1-2

Swindon score first

### How Barnsley performed last season

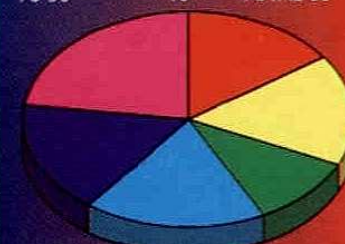
Date	Opps	H/A	Result	Scorers (Goal times)
Aug 12	C.PALACE	(a)	L3-4	Davis (14), Viveash (61), Liddell (72)
Aug 19	OLDHAM	(h)	W2-1	Payton (37), Redfearn (67pen)
Aug 26	WATFORD	(a)	W3-2	Rammell (25,71), Davis (79)
Aug 29	TRANMERE	(h)	W2-1	Payton (18), Davis (34)
Sep 02	BIRMINGHAM	(h)	L0-5	
Sep 09	MILLWALL	(a)	W1-0	Redfearn (2)
Sep 12	HUDDERSFIELD	(a)	L0-3	
Sep 17	SHEFF UTD	(h)	D2-2	Davis (9), Payton (35)
Sep 23	DERBY	(h)	W2-0	Liddell (8,44)
Sep 30	CHARLTON	(a)	D1-1	Redfearn (90)
Oct 07	LEICESTER	(h)	D2-2	Payton (41), Bullock (69)
Oct 14	NORWICH	(a)	L1-3	Eaden (19)
Oct 21	PORT VALE	(h)	D1-1	Archdeacon (2)
Oct 28	SUNDERLAND	(a)	L1-2	Liddell (69)
Nov 04	WOLVES	(h)	W1-0	Redfearn (76)
Nov 11	GRIMSBY	(a)	L1-3	Davis (2)
Nov 18	READING	(a)	D0-0	
Nov 21	PORTSMOUTH	(h)	D0-0	
Nov 25	LUTON	(h)	W1-0	Redfearn (68)
Dec 02	LEICESTER	(a)	D2-2	Payton (21,40)
Dec 09	DERBY	(a)	L1-4	Rammell (79)
Dec 16	CHARLTON	(h)	L1-2	Payton (54)
Dec 22	IPSWICH	(a)	D2-2	De Zeeuw (54), Liddell (60)
Dec 26	STOKE	(h)	W3-1	Redfearn (30), Rammell (43), Liddell (62)
Jan 01	SOUTHEND	(a)	D0-0	
Jan 13	OLDHAM	(a)	W1-0	Payton (72)
Jan 20	C.PALACE	(h)	D1-1	Liddell (59)
Feb 03	WATFORD	(h)	W2-1	Archdeacon (49), Payton (77)
Feb 10	TRANMERE	(a)	W3-1	Payton (49,82), Redfearn (80pen)
Feb 20	BIRMINGHAM	(a)	D0-0	
Feb 24	SHEFF UTD	(a)	L0-1	
Feb 27	MILLWALL	(h)	W3-1	Payton (58,89), Liddell (90)
Mar 02	STOKE	(a)	L0-2	
Mar 09	IPSWICH	(h)	D3-3	Redfearn (24pen,32), Liddell (47)
Mar 16	WEST BROM	(a)	L1-2	Payton (57)
Mar 19	HUDDERSFIELD	(h)	W3-0	Eaden (2), Redfearn (23), Archdeacon (50)
Mar 23	SOUTHEND	(h)	D1-1	Payton (27)
Mar 30	PORT VALE	(a)	L0-3	
Apr 02	NORWICH	(h)	D2-2	Redfearn (8), Payton (62)
Apr 06	SUNDERLAND	(h)	L0-1	
Apr 08	WOLVES	(a)	D2-2	Moses (13), Payton (85)
Apr 13	READING	(h)	L0-1	
Apr 20	PORTSMOUTH	(a)	D0-0	
Apr 27	LUTON	(a)	W3-1	Redfearn (30,72), O'Connell (41)
Apr 30	WEST BROM	(h)	D1-1	Regis (20)
May 04	GRIMSBY	(h)	D1-1	Redfearn (18)

### The time the goals went in for Barnsley at both ends last season.



League goals scored in 1995-96 clockwise starting at RED

0-15mins	9
16-30	11
31-45	9
46-60	10
61-75	11
76-90	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>



League goals conceded in 1995-96 clockwise starting at RED

0-15mins	10
16-30	11
31-45	7
46-60	12
61-75	11
76-90	15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>66</b>

# QuickQuiz!

## the question is...

Settle down with your half-time cuppa and test your soccer knowledge.

1. Which League club are nicknamed The Toffees?
2. Who did England play in a recent World Cup tie?
3. Manchester City have just parted company with who as their manager?
4. Which First Division club play at Portman Road?
5. Which England Under-21 star has pledged his future to QPR?
6. For which country is Jason McAteer an international?
7. Southend's Mark McNally played for Rangers or Celtic?
8. Which First Division club did Lincoln knock out of the Coca-Cola Cup?
9. Which striker did Preston sign from Carlisle recently - David Reeves, Alan Reeves or Steve Wilkinson?
10. Who knocked Everton out of this season's Coca-Cola Cup?
11. Which Southampton striker scored a hat-trick against Man United in their amazing 6-3 win?
12. For which country is Birmingham's Barry Horne an International?
13. At which League club did Ian Wright start his career?
14. Name the three Italians at Chelsea.
15. Did Vinnie Jones, Mark Hughes or Dean Saunders skipper Wales in their recent World Cup clash in Holland?



## WHO AM I?

1. Born in Nottingham 1956 and signed for Nottingham Forest in 1974.
2. Moved to Arsenal in 1984 where he made 150 appearances.
3. Signed for Man Utd in 1987 before moving to Sheffield Wednesday in 1991.
4. After 30 England caps he is now at Middlesbrough after a spell at Barnsley

## CLOSE UP! WHOSE CREST?



## HOME & AWAY..

### HOME....

1. Who scored twice for us in the 2-0 win over Man City a fortnight ago?
2. At which club did Steve Finney start his career?
3. Who did Steve McMahon replace as manager here?

### ....AND AWAY

1. For which country was Barnsley boss Danny Wilson an International?
2. Neil Redfearn left which club to join The Tykes?

## LAWS OF THE GAME!

What is the maximum length of a pitch?

- A. 110 yards
- B. 130 yards
- C. 150 yards

Answers: 1. Everton, 2. Georgia, 3. Steve Coppell, 4. Ipswich, 5. Trevor Sinclair, 6. Republic of Ireland, 7. Celtic, 8. Man City, 9. David Reeves, 10. York, 11. Egil Ostenstad, 12. Wales, 13. C.Palace, 14. Roberto Di Matteo, Gianluca Vialli, Gianfranco Zola, 15. Jones. Home: 1. Wayne Allison, 2. Preston, 3. John Gorman. Away: 1. Northern Ireland, 2. Oldham, 3. Viv Anderson. Who am I: Vinnie Jones. Whose Crest: Brentford. Rules of the game: ans B.

# a brief lookback

## Dick Mattick looks back ...

**Today an F.A. Cup clash between Swindon and Barnsley would be a complete surprise but this was not so in the 1911-12 season. Only two years before, Swindon and Barnsley had both reached the semi-final stage.**

The official attendance (for the semi-final at Stamford Bridge) was 48,057 but the papers estimated the real attendance as being between 60,000 and 80,000, despite the fact that a strike meant no excursion trains and few supporters from either side were able to see the match

Swindon won the toss and chose to play with the advantage of the cold wind in the first half. They had the better of the play but it soon became apparent that Harold Fleming, Swindon's international inside right, had been singled out for some harsh treatment by a muscular Barnsley team, two of whose members always seemed to be on hand to trip or nudge the Town star.

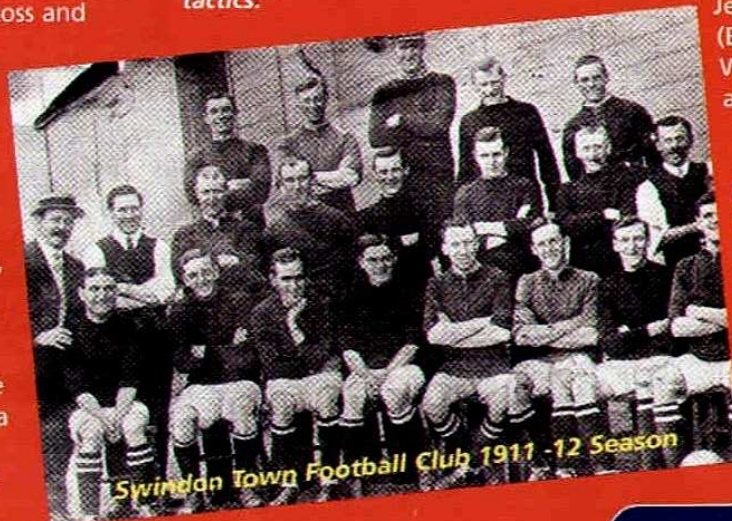
The second half saw Swindon make a better show of playing against the wind than had Barnsley and a fine run by Bown saw him beat three players before hitting a shot which shaved the top of the crossbar.

The second half saw Fleming sustain an injury which was to keep him out of action for 10 months. There was some difference of opinion as to whether his injury was the result of deliberate foul play or merely "excess of zeal."

This phrase was used by one reporter under the name of DD who felt that although Fleming was kneed in the groin it was a pure accident.

A less charitable view was taken by the Daily Express which described Barnsley's treatment of one of the cleanest players ever to don a football boot as disgraceful and concluded by saying **"To stop a clever opponent by maiming him is not football as understood in the South."**

The Swindon Advertiser went further saying it was **"impossible to believe a team could stoop to such vile and discreditable tactics."**



It was the absence of another Swindon player, Billy Tout, however which was to be crucial when the tie was replayed at Meadow Lane.

Bob Jefferson, Swindon's right winger was upended and a penalty awarded but who was to take it in the absence of Tout, Town's normal penalty taker?

Billy Silto, out to show his former club Barnsley they had made a mistake in releasing him following a cartilage injury, was on the way to the spot when he was stopped by his captain

Chambers and told "You don't take penalties Billy" and handed the ball to Archie Bown.

Although the lanky inside left struck his shot well, Cooper in the Barnsley goal produced a fine save.

Ten minutes into the second half Barnsley headed home a Bartrop corner for the only goal of the game.

The Tykes went on to win the Cup with a similar 1-0 victory over West Bromwich with Harry Tufnell scoring the goal.

### Teams:

**Swindon:** Stiller; Kay, Walker; Handley, Silto, Chambers, Jefferson, Fleming (Burkinsaw), Wheatcroft, Brown and Lamb.

**Barnsley:** Cooper; Downs, Taylor; Glendinning, Bratley, Utley, Bartrop, Tufnell, Lillycrop, Travers and Tufnell.

**Today's question:**  
**In 1910 Swindon and Barnsley, the defeated semi-finalists met in a match in Paris.**

**Who won and what was the score?**

**Send your answers on a postcard to; Matchday Magazine Editor, Swindon Town FC, County Ground, Swindon, SN1 2ED.**

**The winner will receive a special prize.**

# talkin' tactics

with First Team Coach Mike Walsh



**The main criticism levelled at us so far this season has been our inability to perform at a consistent level week in and week out.**

We are all conscious of this and are trying to put things right because if we are to make a charge towards promotion, this is the biggest thing we need to sort out.

If you play well and get beaten then often you can accept it but individual mistakes are hard to swallow so we are working extra hard to get rid of these errors.

With no game last Saturday we were keen not to lose our match fitness so on Saturday morning we had a tough one hours practise match at the training ground.

It was a good work out and we made sure we got some extra running in afterwards to try and maintain the fitness levels we had built up before the enforced break.

It was strange for me to be able to go and watch a game last Saturday. I went along to see west Brom against Port Vale which was quite entertaining but

of course I would much rather have been involved.

The biggest bonus from the postponement of the Sheffield game was that it gave several players the opportunity to get back into training including Scott Leitch and Gary Elkins.

But of course we would like to have played because we were all on a high after beating Manchester City - in fact we were so high we could have played again the following day.

It is two weeks since the 2-0 triumph over Manchester City and that is a now forgotten.

Today we take on a Barnsley side who like us, like to knock the ball around. They have got a good blend of strength and skill which is vital.

You could say we are in for a real test of character over the next few weeks with five of the next six matches away from home.

Our attitude should be to roll our sleeves up and make a few people sit up and take notice of Swindon Town.

But all we can do is take each game as it comes and at the moment we are looking no further than today's match.

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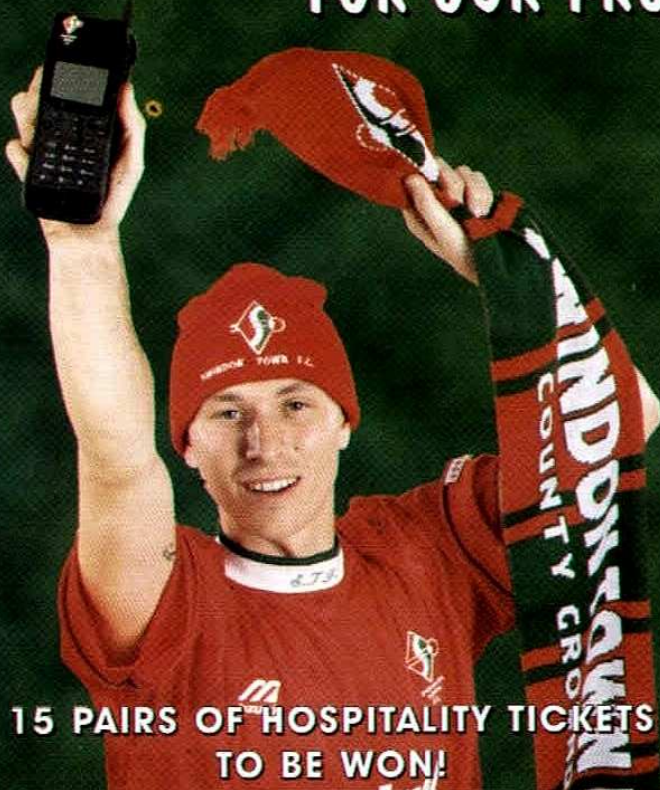
clubs and 630 Nationwide branches throughout England and Wales, we are looking forward to working with The League and its member clubs to support community initiatives and forge even closer links with local people. Wherever you find a football team you'll find a Nationwide team.

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# league update

by Colin Benson



**The shock resignation of Manchester City manager Steve Coppell was the story of last week - his last game in charge of the Main Road club of course ending in defeat here at the County Ground.**

Phil Neal, the one time Liverpool and England full-back star, who started his career with lowly Northampton Town, has taken over on a temporary basis and opened his account against *Oxford United* on Wednesday.

Today his attentions are focused on Fratton Park where *Portsmouth* are desperate for a pick-up themselves. They earned a point in a goalless draw at *Oldham* last Saturday, one of only five First Division games during the week-end, but Terry Fenwick's team are frantic for home stability and improvement on a record which has yielded three wins, three draws and three defeats. New signing, David Hillier from Arsenal, could set those Pompey chimes ringing on his home debut.

Undoubtedly the best performance last week-end was that of *Crystal Palace*, who eased into second place on the back of a 3-0 victory over *Queens Park Rangers*. This afternoon Palace face their toughest task in what must be the match of the day, at Burnden Park against leaders *Bolton Wanderers*.

*Bolton* had a mid-week date with *Birmingham City* at St. Andrews but whatever the outcome of this game and this afternoon's shoot-out with Dave Bassett's boys, will still be on top this evening.

*Palace*, who have lost only one away game and scored 20 goals in the process, conceding but eight, logically look good for a draw this afternoon.

It is a classic confrontation against the leaders who have won eight and drawn just once on home soil with 21 goals for and a mean five against. But I have a feeling the Wanderers will be up for this one and tip them to win.

*Norwich City*, who visited Oakwell on Tuesday, were solid home bankers against *Charlton* last time out at Carrow Road and lost! Surely they won't trip up again against a *Reading* side that has lost seven times on the road already. No, you have got to go for the Canaries here.

As for *QPR* they are involved in another London derby with *Charlton* the visitors. Assistant manager Bruce Rioch was not at the game at Selhurst Park last Sunday and the rumours were that he was about to be named as *Blackburn Rovers'* new boss....however, an inside source squashed the theory by insisting that Mr Rioch was away checking a player. Could be that Stewart Houston will parade a new face this afternoon. As for the result, who knows? Go for a draw.

Those of you who watched the Friday live transmission between *Huddersfield Town* and *Bradford City* last week will have enjoyed the excitement. Chris Kamara's Bradford were 3-0 up and looking good for

their first away win of the season. But back came the Terriers to earn a point in a six goal thriller.

Whatever you think about the standard of goalkeeping that night and it was poor Eric Nixon, once of Man City was in the *Bradford* goal; former *Chelsea* custodian Steve Francis at the other end - it was wonderful entertainment and a great advertisement for First Division football. A goal too for John Dreyer who has just joined *Bradford* from *Stoke City*.

This afternoon *Bradford* play hosts to out of sorts *Ipswich* Town who slipped up again at home to Southend (1-1) last week. Injuries and inconsistency, which I suppose go hand in hand, are the Suffolk club's dilemma but Jason Cundy, on loan from *Tottenham*, made an impressive debut at centre-half. Ipswich won their last away game at *QPR* and should be good enough for a share of the spoils this afternoon.

Howard Kendall's Blades are proving the dark horses of this division. They caught up with one of their games in hand on Wednesday and are looking to add to their promotion credentials at *Port Vale* today.

Former *Manchester United* and England defender Paul Parker, who starred in that World Cup semi final defeat by Germany in 1990, is now on their books, signed just three weeks after being released by Derby County.

Parker, 32, has played in the Premiership this season and though he is initially on a short term contract with *Sheffield United*, it is with a view to a permanent move to Bramall Lane.

# Action replay

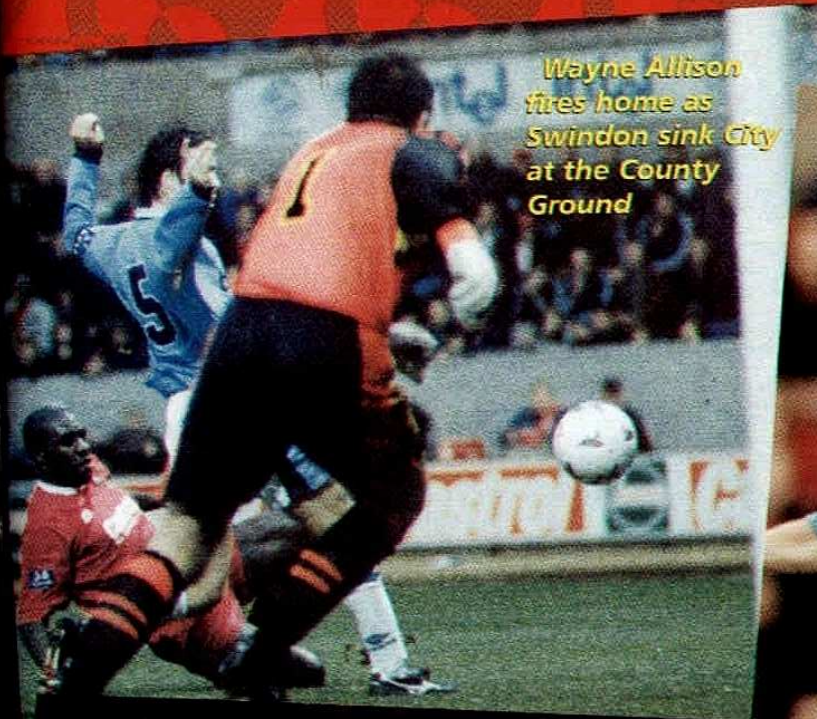


*Skipper Kevin Horlock challenges for the ball*

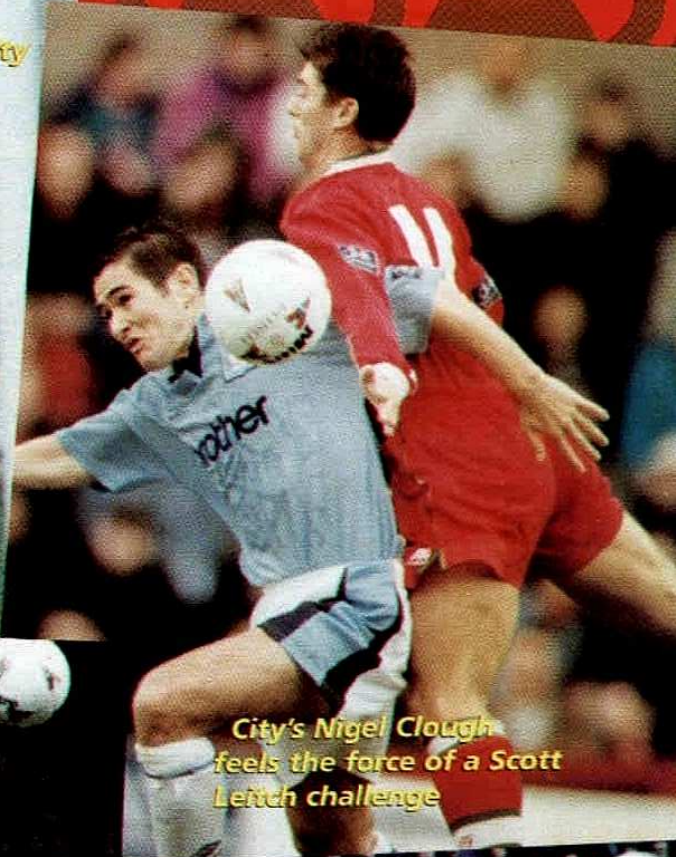
*Steve Finney spreads his wings against his former club*

*You are surrounded - Scott Leitch is out numbered by City players*

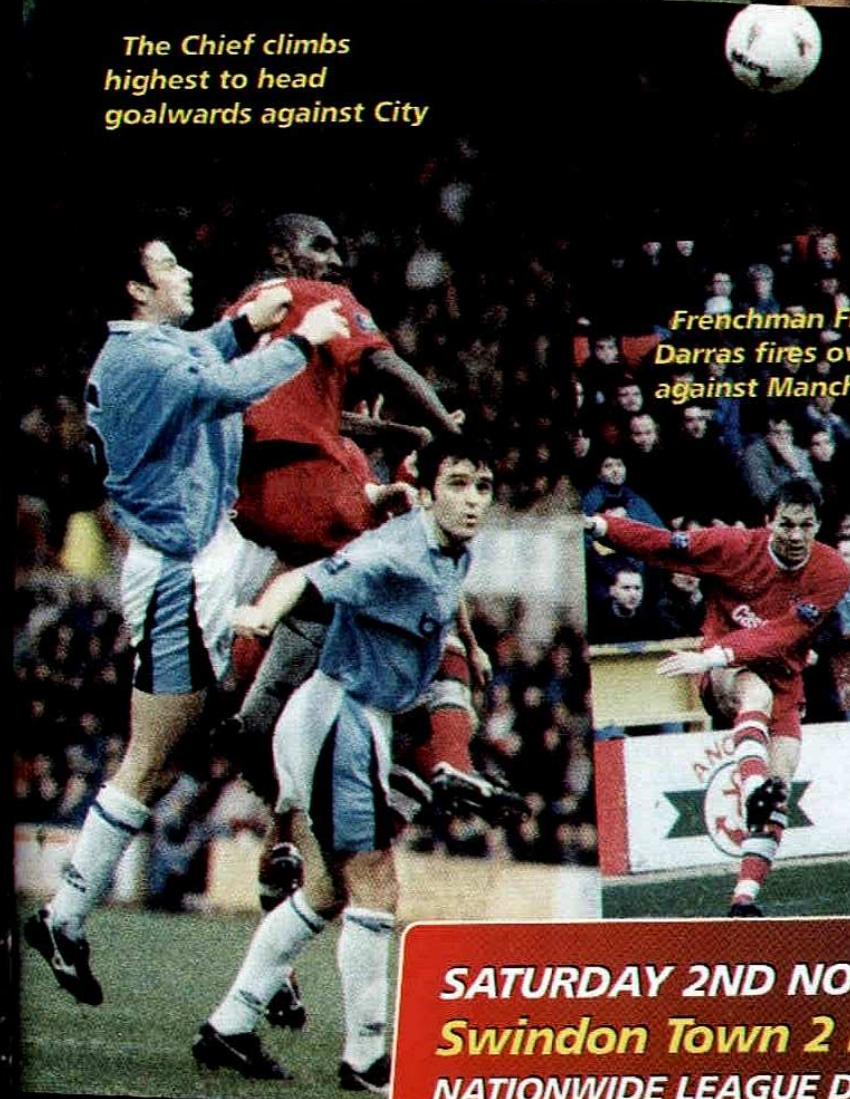




*Wayne Allison fires home as Swindon sink City at the County Ground*



*City's Nigel Clough feels the force of a Scott Leitch challenge*



*Frenchman Frederic Darras fires over a cross against Manchester City*

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**Swindon Town 2 Man City 0**  
**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION 1**  
**Attendance 14, 374**



# community scheme news

Our very own Swindon Town Community Office Primary Schools competition is under-way, with the first of the six group matches kicking off last Friday at Greendown School.



Clive Maguire

Jon Holloway

We had eight schools (two groups of four) with the top two teams from each group progressing to the next stage of the competition.

Group A was won by Windmill with a maximum nine points. Runners-up in this group were Southfield with six points.

Group B was a very tight affair with Morcan top having notched up seven points and Lawn second on five points. Ferndale were very unlucky to miss out with four points.

A quick reminder to all budding goalkeepers out there.

Fraser Digby's goalkeeping course starts on November 24th, so give us a ring as soon as possible for further details.



We would also like to announce that Walter Koza from the Bread Basket, is sponsoring our

Saturday Team Club by providing all the packed lunches for the kids.

Many thanks to Walter and the staff at his shop in Manchester Road.

Last, but certainly not least, a big congratulations to Ricky Lee Fisher, who at 11 years of age successfully completed our emergency first aid course run by our very own physio Jonathan Trigg.

See you all soon,  
Clive and Jon.



The next courses are now well under way. The T-shirts have been a great success adding to the professionalism of the scheme. So, don't delay and enrol at the course and centre which applies to you.

Cost - £14.00 For 7 week course  
- £17.00 If you require a T-shirt

#### Link Centre

Monday	4.30pm - 5.30pm	5-6 years
	5.30pm - 6.30pm	5-6 years
Thursday	4.30pm - 5.30pm	7-8 years
	5.30pm - 6.30pm	9-11 years

#### Oasis

Monday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	9-11 years
	5.00pm - 6.00pm	9-11 years
Wednesday	5.00pm - 6.00pm	12-14 years
Friday	5.00pm - 6.00pm	Girls 9 years +
Saturday	9.00am - 10.00am	5-6 years
	10.00am - 11.00am	7-8 years

#### Stratton

Monday	3.30pm - 4.30pm	5-6 years
	4.30pm - 5.30pm	9-11 years
Wednesday	3.30pm - 4.30pm	7-8 years

#### Marlborough

Wednesday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	5-11 years
	5.00pm - 6.00pm	11,16 years

#### Highworth

Tuesday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	5-6 years
	5.00pm - 6.00pm	7-8 years
Thursday	4.00pm - 5.00pm	9 years +
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# the junior robins

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## Festive football event of the year

Since tickets went on sale on Monday for the "Party of Two Halves", we've had heaps of enquiries, including those for the Junior Robins Family Party. Judging by the response, it's going to be a fantastic event and of course, the Junior Robins go absolutely FREE! Call into the Club Superstore after the game with proof of your membership card and claim your free invitation. Alternatively, tickets can be purchased at the Evening Advertiser or Cairo's Nightclub.

Full details are in your November Newsletter and remember, the event is not exclusive to Junior Robins but all families and kids wanting to "party with the players."



A Party  
of Two Halves  
Sunday 15th December '96  
at Cairo's Nightclub

## Barmy Army on the road

To keep you entertained until the bumper Christmas Party, there are two forthcoming Junior Robins away trips. On Saturday 23rd November, we're off to Birmingham City, where you can also benefit from Pre-match coaching with City's Community Officer, before watching the match. On Saturday 7th December, we travel away to play Charlton Athletic and a great day has been planned. Pre-match entertainment at a nearby leisure centre includes swimming and 5-a-side football and you'll all receive burger and chips. During half-time, there will also be a chance for some of you to join in a half-time relay race.

## New Junior Robin

We are delighted to announce the arrival of our latest Junior Robin. Congratulations to STFC's PR Manager, Jason Harris and his wife Lisa on the birth of their daughter Lucy - also a little sister for Colette.



Taking over the bed - Newcomer Lucy Harris makes herself at home

## today's lucky mascots

Happy Birthday to mascot **Ben Jackson** who is celebrating his 14th birthday today!



Ben, a pupil at Commonweal School lives in Wroughton, Swindon and his hobbies include fishing, computers and of course, watching the Town. His favourite player is Steve Finney. We wish Ben and his family a great day at the County Ground.

**Shaun Cooper** is 9 years old and attends The British School. Shaun, of Birch Street, Swindon is interested in motorbikes and enjoys swimming and football. Shaun is a member of the Junior Robins and is a regular at the training sessions and away trips. His favourite player is Fraser Digby.



**Jonathan Woodhouse** will be celebrating his 8th birthday on Monday and this afternoon should be a birthday to remember. Junior Robin, Jonathan, a pupil at Eldene Junior School, attends the weekly training sessions and many of the away trips. His favourite player is Kevin Horlock.



# youth team focus

with Tommy Wheeldon



## Fixtures 96/97 South East Counties League Division 2

Sat	Aug 17	Brighton & Hove	A	2-0
SAT	AUG 24	BRENTFORD	H	3-2
Sat	Aug 31	Bristol City	A	1-1
SAT	SEP 07	BRISTOL ROVERS	H	8-0
SAT	SEP 14	PORTSMOUTH (LC1)	H	0-3
Sat	Sep 21	Reading	A	3-2
MON	SEP 23	BARNET (SJFC 1)	H	3-1
SAT	SEP 28	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	1-2
Sat	Oct 05	Southampton	A	0-2
SAT	OCT 12	LUTON TOWN	H	2-2
Tues	Oct 15	Arsenal (SJFC 2)	A	1-3
Sat	Oct 19	Wycombe Wndrs.	A	1-1
TUES	OCT 22	HEREFORD (MYC 1)	H	4-0
Sat	Oct 26	Tottenham Hotspur	A	1-1
SAT	NOV 02	OXFORD UNITED	H	1-1
SAT	NOV 09	CRYSTAL PALACE	H	1-2
Sat	Nov 16	Wimbledon	A	
SAT	NOV 30	WYCOMBE W.	H	
Sat	Dec 07	Barnet	A	
SAT	DEC 14	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	
SAT	DEC 21	BRIGHTON & H.A.	H	
Sat	Jan 04	AFC Bournemouth	A	
SAT	JAN 11	BRISTOL CITY	H	
Sat	Jan 18	Bristol Rovers	A	
SAT	JAN 25	READING	H	
Sat	Feb 01	Brentford	A	
Sat	Feb 08	Colchester United	A	
SAT	FEB 15	SOUTHAMPTON	H	
Sat	Feb 22	Luton Town	A	
SAT	MAR 01	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	H	
Sat	Mar 08	Oxford United	A	
SAT	MAR 15	WIMBLEDON	H	
Sat	Mar 22	Crystal Palace	A	
SAT	APR 12	BARNET	H	

All home fixtures are to be played at The Allied Dunbar Training Centre, Wanborough and will kick-off at 11.00am -  
Kick-Off times are subject to change without prior warning.

## Fixtures 96/97 West County Television South West Counties Youth League

Aug 24	Bristol City	A	2-1
AUG 31	CARDIFF CITY	H	0-4
Sept 07	Cheltenham Town	A	0-1
SEPT 14	CIRENCESTER TOWN	H	0-0
Sept 21	Exeter City	A	1-1
Sept 28	Hereford United	A	1-0
OCT 12	SWANSEA CITY	H	1-1
Oct 26	AFC Bournemouth	A	1-1
NOV 02	BASHLEY	H	3-1
Nov 09	Bashley	A	0-3
NOV 16	BRISTOL CITY	H	
Nov 23	Cardiff City	A	
NOV 30	CHELTENHAM TOWN	H	
Dec 07	Cirencester Town	A	
DEC 14	EXETER CITY	H	
Jan 04	Hereford United	A	
JAN 11	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	H	
Jan 18	Swansea City	A	
Jan 25	Torquay United	A	
FEB 01	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	
TBA	Plymouth Argyle	A	
TBA	TORQUAY UNITED	H	

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**It has been a hectic schedule for Swindon Town's youth teams over the past fortnight and below is a round-up of the most recent matches.**

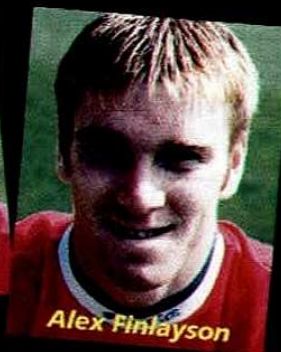
### South East Counties League, Division Two. Swindon Town Youth 1 Crystal Palace Youth 2.

Last Saturday Swindon Youth's four match unbeaten run came to and end at home to leaders Crystal Palace.

Danny Hunt fired us into the lead but Palace hit back to take all the points and stay in charge at the top of Division Two.



Danny Hunt



Alex Finlayson

thwarted by some annoying refereeing decisions which left Phil Cannon and Dick Mackie in confrontation with both the referee and linesman.

We were denied a winner on two occasions, one of which saw a goal disallowed for offside when Alex Finlayson had pulled the ball back from the bye-line - an amazing offside!

**Team:** Betterton, Coupe (MacDiarmid), Wheeldon, Pattimore, Hunt, Davis, O'Connell, Thorne, Hulbert, Woodman, Finlayson. **Subs:** Hodson, Organ (not used).

### Tottenham Hotspur Youth 1 Swindon Town Youth 1

In the past we have not fared well against Spurs but we could have won this one but for some dismal refereeing decisions.

Despite having the lions share of possession in the opening period we fell behind after 16 minutes following a sloppy pass by Michael Pattimore.

At half time the boys were told to up the tempo and this they did with Alex Finlayson deservedly getting us back on level terms with another fine individual goal.

After this we felt we could go on and win the game but were

### Swindon Town Youth 1 Oxford United Youth 1

We seem to be the Littlewood's Pools draw specialists and it came as no surprise that the result against our local rivals ended in a 1-1 stalemate.

The first half was played at a frantic pace and typified a local derby with neither side able to break through.

Oxford took the initiative early in the second half and scored when a cross took a wicked deflection off Thomas Wheeldon to loop over the stranded Anthony Betterton in goal.

Swindon bounced back from this blow and matched Oxford

in every department but received another knock-back when the reliable Danny Hunt was forced off with an ankle injury.

However the re-shaped team continued to press with Wheeldon and Matthew Coupe both going close.

We finally equalised two minutes from time through Scott Woodman after a great dummy run by Phil MacDiarmid.

And Scott almost pinched all the points following an impressive solo run - but I felt a draw was about the right result.

I was particularly pleased by the efforts of Chris O'Connell, Phil MacDiarmid, Robin Hulbert, Wayne Thorne and young Jamie Mills who is only 15 years old and showed great enthusiasm and strength after coming on as a substitute.

**Team:** Betterton, Hulbert, Wheeldon, Pattimore, Hunt (Mills), Davis (Coupe), O'Connell, Thorne, MacDiarmid, Woodman, Finlayson.

**sub:** Simpkins (not used).

**In the South West Counties League, Swindon Town Youth took on Bashley home and away and emerged with contrasting results.**

In the home game Swindon ran out 3-1 winners thanks to goals from Steve Campbell, Craig Tuck and Simon Futcher.

All the goals were scored in the first half and after the interval Swindon enjoyed lots of possession without really threatening.

Bashley's cause wasn't helped when they had a player sent off for throwing a punch.

In the return match last Saturday, Swindon struggled badly and ended up losing 3-0.

The first half was described by coach Clive Maguire as "abysmal" and Town were fortunate to only be trailing 1-0.

Some stern words at half time had the desired affect as

Swindon improved during the second half but two late goals left them well beaten.

**Team** for both games, (changes in brackets): McCrumm, Taylor, Bennett, Campello, Sharps, Organ (Futcher), Campbell (Tedaldi), Futcher (McSherry), Tuck, Tedaldi (Simpkins), Hodson (Mills). **Subs:** Sutedehe, Morris, McSherry (Benfield).

**South East Counties League Division 2 at 12th November 1996**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Crystal Palace	11	7	3	1	28	11	17	+17
Luton Town	11	7	2	2	24	9	16	+15
Southampton	11	7	0	4	22	10	14	+12
Tottenham H.	12	5	4	3	16	9	14	+7
Brighton & H.A.	12	6	2	4	16	20	14	-4
<b>SWINDON TOWN</b>	12	4	5	3	24	16	13	+8
Oxford United	10	5	3	2	21	15	13	+6
AFC Bournemouth	10	5	2	3	19	17	12	+2
Wycombe W.	12	5	2	5	15	16	12	-1
Colchester United	10	4	3	3	15	14	11	+1
Bristol Rovers	11	5	0	6	27	30	10	-3
Bristol City	11	3	4	4	15	20	10	-5
Reading	11	3	1	7	15	32	7	-17
Wimbledon	10	2	2	6	10	16	6	-6
Brentford	12	2	2	8	17	25	6	-8
Barnet	12	1	1	10	9	33	3	-24



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**The last couple of weeks have been very eventful in terms of results.**

The weekend before last we had four teams play against Oxford, two at home and two away.

As you know, games against our local rivals are always very tough and these were no exception with both sides in each age group giving their all.

The results favoured Oxford with three of their teams winning and only one of ours getting a win.

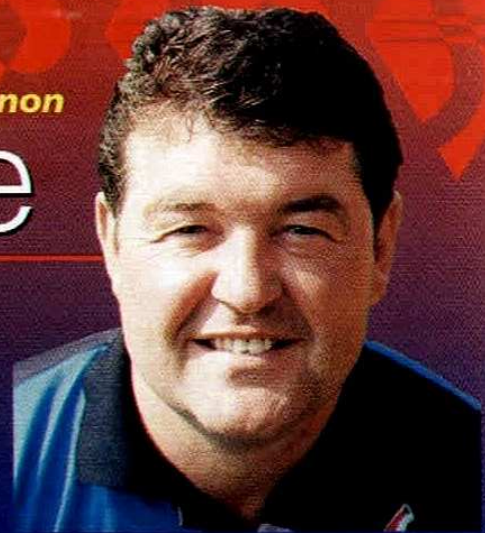
Last weekend we had three teams play against

Southampton.

Tommy Wheeldon and I had the pleasure of watching the Under 14's play at home and what a game it was.

Our lads were a credit to the Club and eventually ran out winners by the odd goal in nine but to be honest it was a shame one team had to lose because it was played in a great spirit.

The Under 13's drew their game away but unfortunately the Under 15's got an absolute drubbing against a very strong Southampton side, so we have got a lot of work to do in that



age group to say the least.

Let's hope they have learnt something from that and work on their game much harder in the future.



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# reserves round up

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Swindon Town Reserves 3.**

**A double strike by Alex Smith and one by Peter Thorne looked to be enough to earn the Reserves maximum points at Oxford but the near neighbours hit back to grab a point.**

After falling behind mid-way through the first half, Alex Smith drew Swindon level as he followed up his own blocked shot to score.

Smith made it 2-1 when he bent a shot into the corner following a great move involving Kevin Watson and when Peter Thorne tucked in the third, the three points looked to be heading in Swindon's direction.

However Oxford responded with two goals in as many minutes and in the end they could have won the match.

A lack of concentration nearly cost us dearly but in the end I felt it was a fair result and with six goals scored, it was definitely entertaining.

**Team:** Talia, Allen, Drysdale (W. Thorne), Hulbert (Pattimore), Leemaing, Seagraves, Culverhouse, Watson, Thorne, Walters, Smith. **Sub:** Finlayson (not used).

**Bristol City Reserves 3  
Swindon Town Reserves 2.**

**After three successive wins it was a big disappointment to see our fine run of results come to an end at Bristol City.**

It was a game we could have won but in the end were denied by a debatable late penalty decision and the unfortunate sending off of Lee Collins.

We made a poor start to the match and found ourselves 2-0 down early on after some poor defending.

Our three inexperienced centre halves struggled but we still managed to pull a goal back before the break when Ty Gooden raced down the left, cut in and fired an unstoppable shot into the corner.

At half time we sorted a few things out and started the second half in style with Steve Finney scoring the equaliser with a quality finish.

After that we took control of proceedings but were unable to find the killer touch in front of goal.

City hardly got a look in until they were harshly awarded a late penalty which gave them the chance to take all the points.

**Team:** Digby, Woodman (Hulbert), Gooden, Collins, Wheeldon, Hunt, Pattimore, O'Sullivan, Cowe, Finney, Smith. **Subs:** Finlayson, W. Thorne (not used).

## Fixtures 96/97

**Avon Insurance  
Combination Div 1**

Mon Aug 26	Swansea City	(LC)	A 2-1
THUR SEP 19	TOTTENHAM		H 1-3
Wed Sep 25	Charlton Athletic		A 4-1
MON OCT 07	LUTON TOWN		H 1-0
MON OCT 21	PORTSMOUTH		H 2-0
Thur Oct 31	Bristol City		A 2-3
Wed Nov 06	Oxford United		A 3-3
MON NOV 11	CRYSTAL PALACE		H 3-0
WED NOV 20	BRISTOL ROVERS (LC)		H 2.00
Wed Nov 27	Swansea City		A 2.00
Wed Dec 04	Oxford United (LC)		A 7.30
MON DEC 09	BRISTOL ROVERS		H 2.00
Wed Dec 18	Cardiff City		A 2.00
MON JAN 06	IPSWICH TOWN		H 2.00
Wed Jan 15	Brighton & H.A.		A 2.00
MON JAN 20	ARSENAL		H 2.00
Wed Feb 05	AFC Bournemouth		A 2.00
MON FEB 10	SOUTHAMPTON		H 2.00
MON FEB 17	BRISTOL CITY (LC)		H 2.00
Tue Feb 25	Watford		A 7.30
WED MAR 05	CARDIFF CITY (LC)		H 2.00
MON MAR 10	NORWICH CITY		H 2.00
Mon Mar 17	Chelsea		A 7.00
MON MAR 24	MILLWALL		H 2.00
Tue Apr 08	West Ham United		A 2.00
MON APR 14	Q.P.R.		H 2.00
Wed Apr 23	Wimbledon		A 2.00

All home fixtures are to be played at The County Ground and will kick-off at the time indicated above.

Kick-Off times are subject to change without prior warning.

## Avon Insurance Combination Div 1 at 9th November 1996

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Ipwich Town	6	4	1	1	12	3	13	+9
Wimbledon	6	4	1	1	19	7	13	-7
Swansea City	6	4	1	1	12	8	12	+4
Tottenham H.	6	4	0	02	17	9	12	+8
Luton Town	6	4	0	2	9	6	12	+3
Chelsea	5	3	2	0	9	4	11	+5
Arsenal	5	3	1	1	12	4	10	+8
Q.P.R.	6	3	1	2	12	7	10	+5
SWINDON TOWN	6	3	1	2	13	10	10	+3
Cardiff City	7	2	4	1	7	8	10	-1
AFC Bournemouth	5	3	0	2	10	9	9	+1
Portsmouth	7	3	0	4	7	10	9	-3
Oxford United	6	2	2	2	14	14	8	0
Bristol City	6	2	1	3	12	11	7	+1
Watford	6	2	1	3	9	15	7	-6
West Ham United	6	1	3	2	5	4	6	-1
Millwall	6	2	0	4	13	13	6	0
Brighton & H.A.	6	1	2	3	13	17	5	-4
Southampton	4	1	1	2	5	6	4	-1
Crystal Palace	5	1	1	3	3	11	4	-8
Norwich	6	0	3	3	8	13	3	-5
Bristol Rovers	6	0	2	4	4	17	2	-13
Charlton Athletic	4	0	0	4	3	16	0	-13

**On Monday the Reserves returned to winning form with a 3-0 home victory over Crystal Palace Reserves.**

**On target were Kevin Watson, Peter Thorne and Steve Finney.**

**The Reserves are next in action on Wednesday when they entertain Bristol Rovers here at the County Ground in the League Cup (2pm).**

# Steve Finney



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# Tony Horne's view from a far!

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**It is good to get back into the thick of the action after the international break.**

England have been playing away with Georgia - Brookside fans will know that is something Nat has been doing with Georgia for ages in the Scouser soap!

England's 2-0 win in Tblisi was a good three points but I am not convinced yet by the new set-up. Is Gazza still a world beater? What else has Beckham done apart from that goal? Who the hell is Andy Hinchcliffe and who will really score against world class oppo if big Al does not play?

I like the way Glenn H does the media bit, but I have to say, even though he is the most

decent bloke in football, how did ex Swindon gaffer John Gorman get to be his number two?

Still, good luck to them and let's hope it will be the World Cup coming home in 1998, not just Baddiel and Skinner.

Up here in the North-East, the crisis deepens at the Riverside. Off goes Branco with half a million in the banko. Emerson has taken a weeks hols in Brazil. Who is stupid and rich enough to take just one week's holiday in Rio - by the time you get there it is home time.....assuming he is coming back.

Not so much Emerson as emigrated and not coming back. He is 24, on his third wife and she is homesick. How could

anybody wish to trade in temperatures of -3

(at present) and the polluted skylines of Middlesborough against a backdrop of chimneys and pits for the carnivals and golden beaches and 35 degrees of Rio?

I can not get to grips with this. Such is the alleged Boro-Brazil rift at the moment that even short-arsed Juninho might be getting the hump.

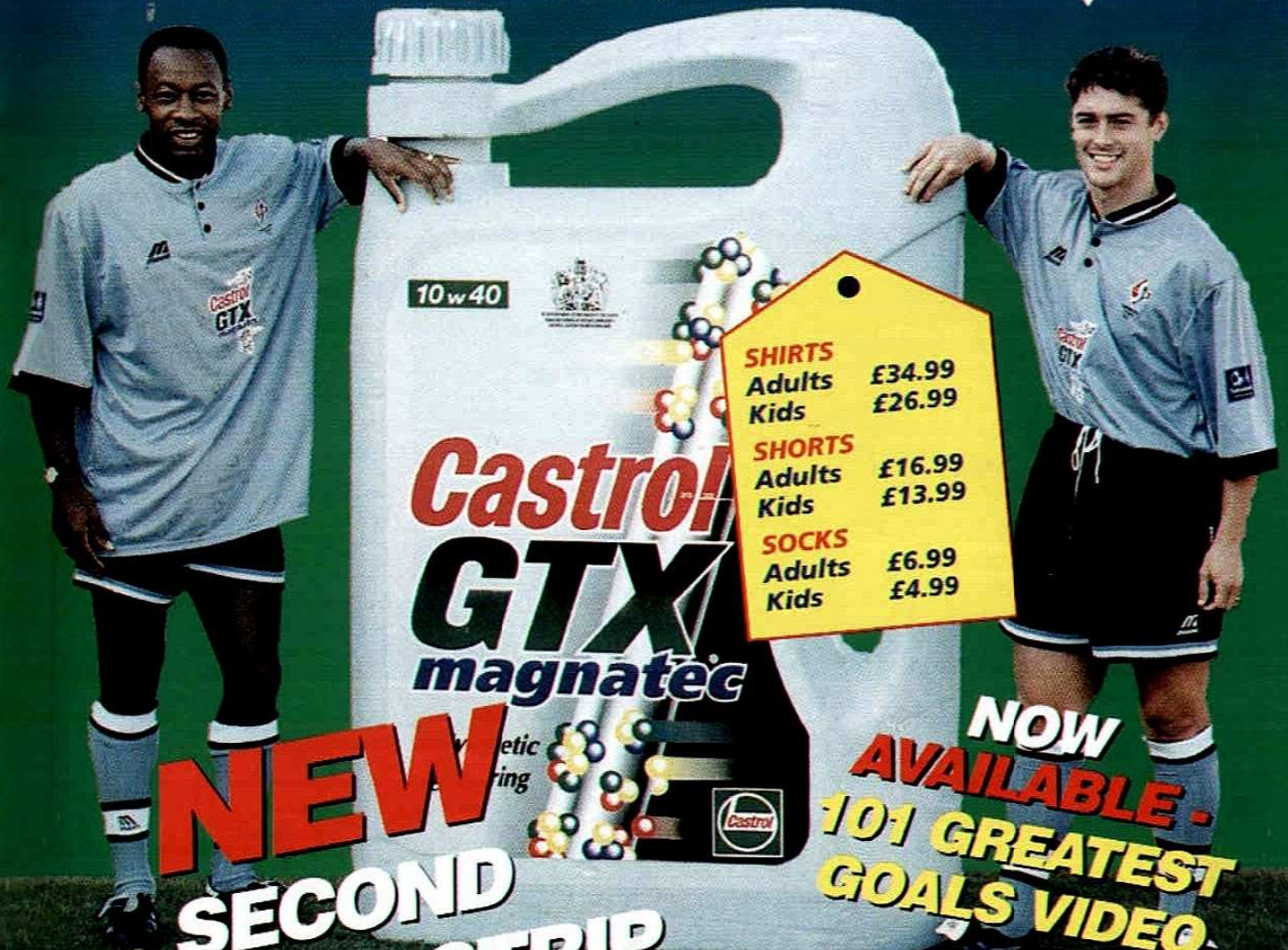
Is it me or does his face look like a Pizza? He could have starred in that silly ad for Pizza Hut with Southgate, Waddle and Pearce. It seems to me that Wads and Pearcey are budding thespians but young Gareth should treat this year's Oscar ceremony like that penalty kick - miss it!

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(re-scheduled from  
9th November)

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**IPSWICH TOWN**  
Tuesday 19th November 7:45pm  
kick-off (away) (re-schedule from 5th October)  
Existing tickets can still be

used - refunds are available up to 48hrs before kick off.

800 seats available @ £14 with concessions @ £7.50 (OAP's) £6 (Jnrs). Providing seats are available they will go on sale on the day. An additional allocation will be available on the day @ £16 with no concessions.

**BIRMINGHAM CITY**  
Saturday 23rd November  
3:00pm kick-off (away)

Pay on the day - 3600 tickets available in the Railway Stand at £13 no concessions.

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This game has been re-scheduled for the second time and is now being played on the

original date. Saturday 30th November 3:00pm kick off (home)

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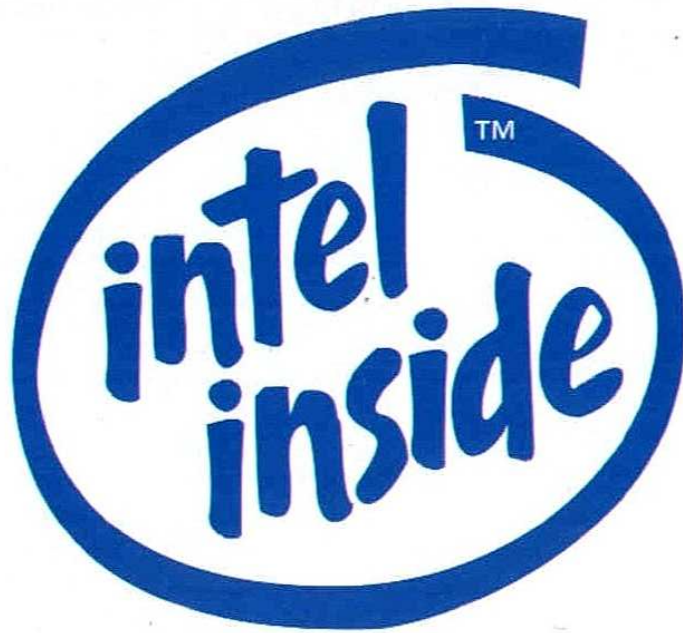
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The following season saw winners from Stratford-on-Avon, Pewsey, Ashton Keynes, Melksham and Marlborough among our initial seven. Then last season lucky purchasers from Chippenham, Devizes and Cirencester emerged among our front runners.



The last two winners in the current campaign have, however begun to redress the balance. Against West Brom, Peter Brown of Clevedon, Somerset, collected £554 in return for ticket number 8086. At the Manchester City game, ticket number 4277 saw Mr A.G. Reece take £841 home to Lacock near Chippenham.

The competition involving our programme sales against Manchester City attracted entries from all over the County and beyond. They came in the post from London, Salisbury, Chipping Norton and Newbury to name but a few.

The actual programmes cleared on matchday itself amounted to 5,447....37.9 per cent of the attendance.

The actual question in the programme was **"How many programmes will we sell today?"**

The nearest correct forecast came from Reg Bennett of Water Eaton near Kempsford. Reg was 13 programmes out in his 5460 estimate. His free programme for each remaining home game this season can be collected from the Promotions Office by the County Ground Hotel. The autographed football also awaits our winner. Congratulations Reg! And thanks to all the entrants who helped make the competition a successful battle of wits.

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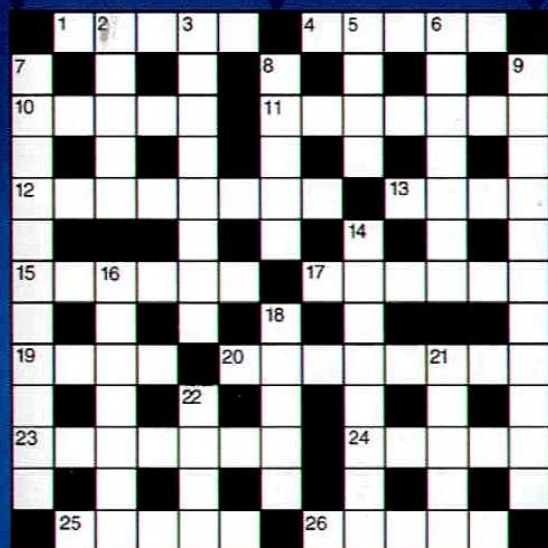


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# Crossword time...

compiled by Thomas Trickett



## clues across...

1. Worshipped soccer stars (5).
4. David, Newcastle United midfield (5)
10. Ex-England winger sounds like Denis the Man. Utd player (5)
11. Former English League team (7)
12. The Club nickname of Exeter City (8)
13. Soccer god, maybe (4)
15. English way to say Ossie Ardiles forename (6)
17. Released the ball (6)
19. Nathan, Shrewsbury Town defender (4)
20. Non-league Cheshire Club (8)
23. Ruud Gullit's Premier league outfit (7)
24. To fell Derby is to feel older inside, apparently (5)
25. Acting award for Argentinian defender Mr Ruggeri (5)
26. Russell....., 1980s England defender (5)

## clues down...

2. Iain, West Ham striker (5)
3. Northern Ireland League side (7)
5. ....McCoist, Rangers striker (4)
6. Club nickname of Everton (7)
7. Eric Cantona's infamous karate move (4)(3) & (4)
8. Simple song heard on the terraces sometimes (5)
9. Home county of Manor Ground team (11)
14. Stanley, ex-Stoke-City & Blackpool legend (8)
16. Victors (7)
18. Alexi, US defender World Cup '94 (5)
21. Asia nation who have never taken part in the World Cup (5)
22. The world's oldest soccer trophy for schools (abbrev) (4)

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 1 IDOLS, 4 BATTERY, 10 URWIN, 11 HALIFAX, 12 GRECIANS,  
 13 HERO, 15 OSWALD, 17 PASSEDD, 19 KING, 20 NANTWICH,  
 23 CHELSEA, 24 ELDER, 25 OSCAR, 26 OSMAN.  
 ANSWERS DOWN...  
 2 DOWIE, 3 LINFIELD, 5 ALLY, 6 TOFFEES, 7, 8 CHANT  
 9 OXFORDSHIRE, 14 MATTHEWS, 16 MATTHEWS, 18 LALAS,  
 21 INDIA, 22 ESFA.



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# marketingnews

with Martin Stevens

**A warm welcome to everyone from all of us in the Marketing Department for today's game against Barnsley.**

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Lawson Demolitions whose Managing Director Martin Wilson is a keen football fan and his guests today are mainly from the Building and construction trades. Lawsons are specialists in their industry and have been responsible for reshaping Swindon's skyline with their demolition of various high rise buildings. They also offer a crushing and recycling service to the quarrying and construction industries.

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## Christmas Party Nights

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## Presentation Time

PIA Advertising and Marketing were the Matchday Sponsors at the exciting game against Manchester City. Account Director, Nick Prescott, receives a limited edition signed framed shirt from STFC Chairman Mike Spearman.



Man of the Match, Kevin Horlock, receives his bottle of champagne from Matchday Sponsors' guest, Janet Tapsell.



Hillmead Joinery were Matchball Sponsors at the game against Manchester City, Man of the Match, Kevin Horlock, presents David Styles and his

guests with their autographed football as a memento of their day at the County Ground.

## Sporting Club Dinner

We are delighted to announce that our Sporting Club dinner recently held at the Marriott Hotel was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who helped support the evening and a special thank you to the evening's main sponsor, Cleaning Enterprises. We will be hosting another of these popular dinners during February, for further information contact Tracy Bond in the Marketing Department on (01793) 532121.

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# treatment room

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Although the postponement of our match against Sheffield United last Saturday must have been disappointing for the fans - it was a god send for those players injured and struggling to be fully fit for the fixture.



fitness while not aggravating the injury any further.

Like Scott, Gary should have returned to training this week and could be available for selection this afternoon.



Scott Leitch has had a problem with an injury in his left calf over the past fortnight and has not been training with the first team squad during the week.

He has instead been receiving treatment and playing at the weekends. However this is just a short term measure and hopefully Scott has now shrugged off this niggling injury and has returned to full time training.

Gary Elkins has also received treatment for a rib injury over the past couple of weeks and has worked hard alongside Scott in maintaining his



Mark Seagraves and Jason Drysdale have also resumed training having successfully recovered from groin and hamstring strains.

Both have played in a couple of recent Reserve games and have had no ill effects.

All the players and staff at Swindon Town would like to wish our Club Doc, Doctor Nicholas a full and speedy recovery after he suffered a heart attack recently.

## the shadowboard



**Watch out in Devizes - the next Swindon Town road show is heading in your direction!**

Following the successful launch of the Shadow Board Open Forums last season, we are pleased to announce that the next Open Forum has been arranged.

**Where ?:  
Devizes Town Football Club.**

**When ?:  
Thursday November 21st  
at 7.30pm.**



Swindon Town Manager Steve McMahon and Club Chairman Mike Spearman will be our guests of honour and will be answering questions submitted on the night.

Come along and meet the Shadow Board and learn the latest news from the Club.

See you all in Devizes!

### Shadow Board

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# benno gives his view

By Colin Benson

**Germany last week in the World Cup, Barnsley this week in Division One. Kevin Horlock's head must be spinning. No disrespect to the Tykes but a club whose history is embroidered around the adventures and doings of heroes such as Skinner Normanton surely can't stimulate adrenalin in quite the same way as the European Champions with Klinnsmann, Möller and company.**

There is no question last Saturday in Nuremberg was the greatest day of Kevin's professional career and to come off the field knowing that he and his Irish colleagues had matched the best in Europe, if not the world, in a World Cup qualifying tie, naturally filled him with a warm glow of self satisfaction.

But our intrepid hero has not been carried away. Barnsley this afternoon is the most important game in the universe as far as he is concerned, for young Kevin, who was only 24 a fortnight ago, is about as down to earth as you can get.

When I suggested to him that Barnsley would be somewhat of a come-down after the glamour of World Cup competition, his reply was firm, instant and unequivocal: "Not really," he insisted. "It is still a game of football and one I would love to win. at the end of the day league football is my bread and butter, Swindon is the club that pays my wages, so this is the football that I live on really.

"Internationals are the cherry on the cake and it is nice to be involved but it is quite nice to get back to the league programme."

Kevin had not featured in Northern Ireland's opening World Cup matches which had proved devastatingly poor for them and consequently he travelled with more hope than certainty in his heart.

The first inclining he got that he might be in the team was when he was included in the set piece routines in training but official confirmation was not delivered by manager Brian Hamilton until four hours before the game.

"It was quite nerve racking," said Kevin, "as I thought I might have a chance of playing the butterflies were there during the week but the time between being told and kick-off flew along."

But how does one prepare for a game like this? You can't dwell on Germany and their reputation, to do so would frighten the life out of anyone, let alone an Irish side that failed to beat Armenia in Belfast. You would be tempted to catch the next flight home surely.

"We concentrated on our own game," said Kevin. "There is a great spirit in the Irish team, they are a great bunch of lads and at the end of the day we were laughing and joking. When it gets down to it, it is 11 against 11. Germany have great quality in their team but Northern Ireland has a reputation of giving 110 per cent and the lads certainly did that.

"The manager looked to us to soak up the pressure. We played with a sweeper and one up front. I played left back and was told to sit and hold my position and not bomb on too often; and that's what I did and

the manager said "well done" after the game so I was more than pleased.

"You can't really man to man mark the Germans, their movement is that good. One minute Hassler is confronting you on the right wing, the next minute he is in the left back position.

"We hit them on the break to take a shock lead but unfortunately we couldn't hold onto it and they equalised just before the break. The second half was backs to the wall."

It was Germany's first home game since winning the European Championship at Wembley so it was a full house which expected their team to give Northern Ireland a right hammering.

They weren't slow to demonstrate their frustrations either as German technique failed to break down Irish resolve.

Kevin's lasting memento of this historic game in Irish football history is the shirt of Marco Bode. He said: "I was a bit disappointed actually

because during the game, Hassler was out right and I was marking him, then Möller filled that role.

"But for the last 10 minutes the manager switched me to midfield and neither of these players was in close enough range to swap shirts with at the end. But I'm more than happy with the one I've got."

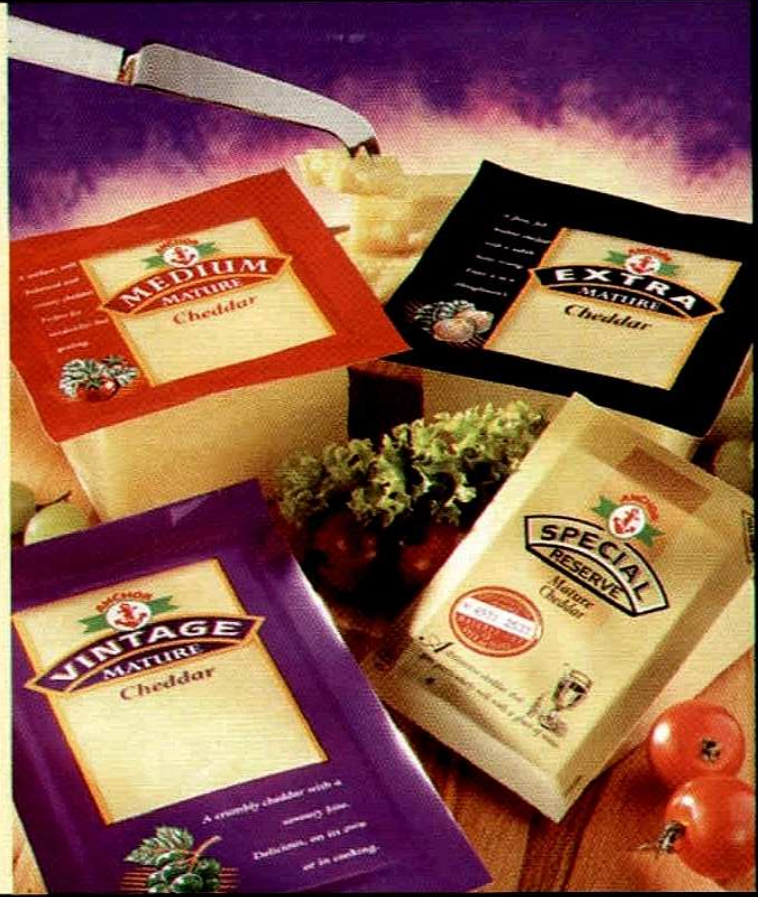
There will be no shirt swapping with Barnsley this afternoon of course and Kevin does not even know which number he will be wearing.

"I will just be satisfied to be selected," he grinned.



# OUR LINE UP FOR THIS SEASON

*Savour the flavour*



## kiddiescorner

### kidscrossword

#### Across

5. England scorer against Georgia. (9)
6. Swindon player who played for Barnsley. (8)
7. Barnsley nickname. (5)
10. Scotland scorer against Sweden. (8)
12. Swindon Player who played against Germany for Northern Ireland. (7)
13. They scored seven against Wales. (7)
14. Northern Ireland scorer against Germany. (7)
17. Scotland played Sweden here. (5)
18. Barnsley home ground. (7)

#### Down

1. Swindon leader now with Stoke. (6)
2. Former Barnsley manager now at Middlesbrough. (8)
3. Barnsley kit colour when at home. (3)
4. Welsh scorer against Holland. (8)
8. Lines on a pitch are this colour. (5)
9. Island team who drew with Ireland. (7)
11. Kinkladze plays for this national team. (7)
15. Barnsley manager who played for Forest and Wednesday. (6)
16. Chelsea signing from Italy. (4)



### KIDS QUIZ

1. Wales International Team shirts are what colour?
2. Scotland International Team shirts are what colour?
3. England International Team shirts are what colour?
4. Holland International Team shirts are what colour?
5. Germany International Team shirts are what colour?
6. Italy International Team shirts are what colour?

1. Red, 2. Blue, 3. White, 4. Orange, 5. White, 6. Blue

- ANSWERS ACROSS:**  
 5. FERDINAND, 6. ROBINSON, 7. TYRES, 10. MCKINLAY, 12. HORLOCK, 13. HOLLAND, 14. TAGGART, 17. IBROX, 18. OAKWELL
- ANSWERS DOWN:**  
 1. MACGILL, 2. ANDERSON, 3. RED, 4. SAUNDERS, 8. WHITE, 9. ICELAND, 11. GEORGIA, 15. WILSON, 16. ZOLA

# captain's column

with Mark Seagraves



*After missing the last three games through injury I'm now fully fit and back in contention for a return to the first team.*

But after the way the lads performed in our last game against Manchester City, it could be tough getting into the starting line-up - it's all in the manager's hands.

The lads did really well against City and with so many changes it showed that we have got some strength in depth at this club.

There are a lot of players desperate to get their chance and it means competition for places is fierce which is important at any club.

Since the City game we have had an extended break because

of the postponement of the Sheffield United fixture.

Of course we would have liked to have played, particularly on the back of such a good result the previous week. But at least the enforced lay-off gave a few of our injured players more of a chance of recovering.

Everyone is raring to go this afternoon and if we can show the same attitude and quality of football we did against City then we won't go far wrong.

From what I know Barnsley are a good footballing side so it should be an entertaining game to watch.

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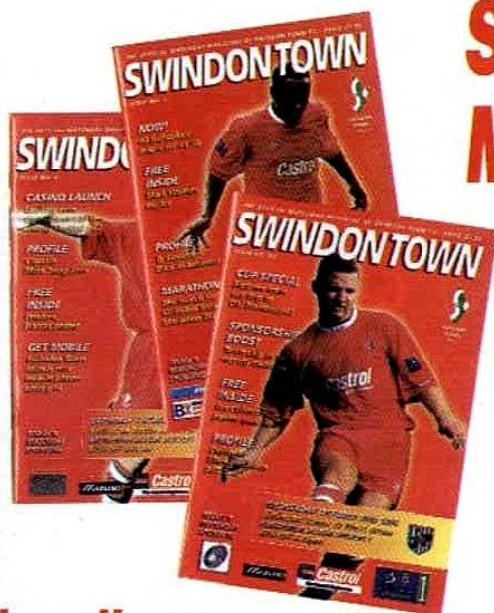


Congratulations to Kevin Horlock on making the starting line-up for Northern Ireland in their World Cup qualifier against Germany.

The 1-1 draw was a great result and it was good to see Kevin take part and gain the experience of playing against world class players.

If Kevin keeps playing the way he has been I have no doubt he will enjoy a long International career.

Finally a warm welcome to our new signing Peter Holcroft. He is a young lad with a lot of quality and I hope he enjoys his time here at Swindon Town.



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# Profile **new signing**

**Liverpool born Peter Holcroft signed for Swindon last week hoping to finally get a taste of first team football.**

Despite regularly impressing for Everton Reserves he was never given the opportunity of a Premiership outing and in the end decided that it was time to make a name for himself somewhere else.

*"It was frustrating and to be honest the first team's style of football didn't really suit me," said the 20 year old.*

*"There were a lot of good footballers not getting their chance so when Swindon came in for me I had no hesitation in agreeing to the move.*

*"I'm desperate to play first team football and now I have*

*got a real chance of doing that here at Swindon."*

The 20 year old came to the County Ground on a free transfer last Friday and manager Steve McMahon was delighted to obtain the services of a youngster who he feels has a bright future ahead of him.

*"He has got a tremendous left foot and is in a similar mold to Kevin Sheedy - but better,"* said McMahon.

That cultured left foot made him somewhat of a dead ball specialist at Goodison Park where he clocked up hundreds of appearances for the reserves.

And it was no surprise that McMahon swooped in to sign him after the midfielder had notched six goals in his first eight games for Everton

Reserves this season.

And on his arrival at the County Ground, who should Peter bump into - only his old school mate Alex Smith.

The two used to go to the same school and even played for the same Sunday side before joining forces at Everton.

*"We played together for quite a few years when we were younger so it is strange meeting up again here at Swindon,"* said Peter who will be sharing digs with Smith.

And it could be that the two school pals are competing for the same position in McMahon's first team.

*"My main aim is to get into the first team and stay there. I will just take it a step at the time and hope I can do a good job here for Swindon."*

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IN THE MORNING**

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**IT'S NOT JUST "YOU"  
STEVE McMAHON LISTENS TOO!**

**A Party  
of Two Halves**

Sunday 15th December '96  
at Cairo's Nightclub

first half details on page 19

**Junior Robins Family Party**  
Kick-Off 5:00pm - 7:30pm  
All children under 10 yrs must be accompanied by an adult

**second half** Evening Advertiser's and Swindon Town's Festive Football Event  
**Adult Party**

Kick-Off 8:00pm - Midnight  
Strictly over 18's  
Dress: Smart casual, jeans OK

# Peter Holcroft



"I don't really know much about the teams in the First Division but I saw Swindon play live on SKY against Wolves earlier in the season when they won and was impressed with the way they passed the ball around."

"I'm sure I can fit in here and I'm looking forward to working under Steve McMahon," he said.

**Steve McMahon welcomes new signing Peter Holcroft**



**Name:** Peter Holcroft

**Age:** 20

**Birthplace:** Liverpool

**Position:** Midfield

**Former Clubs:** Everton

**Nickname:** None

**Who did you support as a youngster?:** Everton

**Career highlight so far:** Playing for Everton First Team in friendlies

**Favourite past-time:** Watching TV Soaps

**Most respected player in football:** Neville Southall

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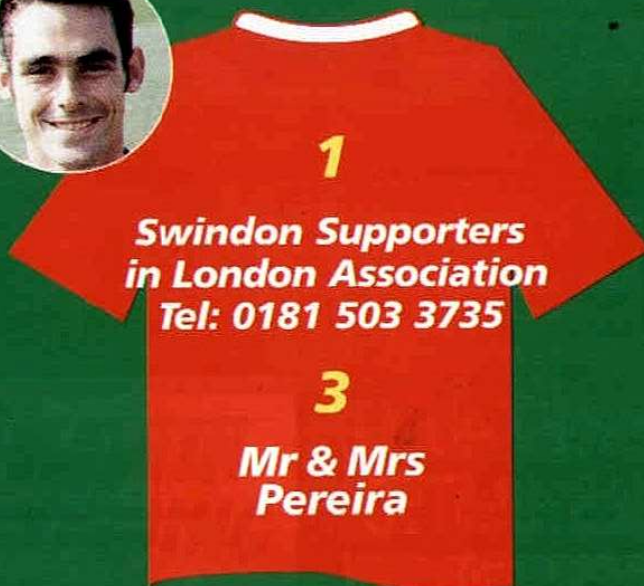
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## Peter Thorne



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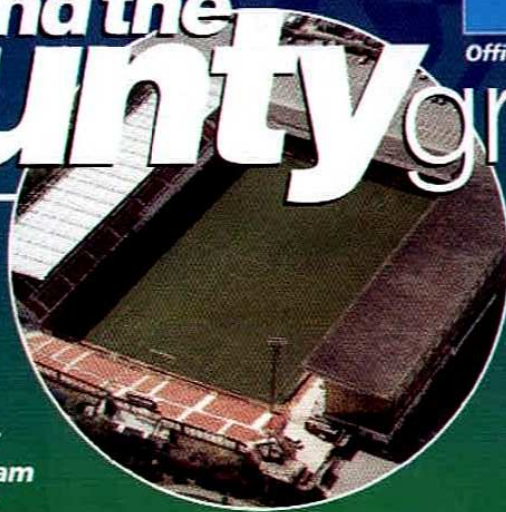
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## **Stanley Bond Fryer** 1934 - 1996

*Swindon Town Football Club recently lost a valuable member of their off the field team when the popular Stan Fryer sadly passed away.*



Stan joined the Club ground-staff in the Summer of 1991.

Although he was a time-served carpenter and joiner, he took on the guise of a "Jack of All Trades" here at the County Ground with a gift for overcoming almost any maintenance work which needed carrying out at the stadium.

Stan was taken ill two months ago and there was a tremendous feeling of sorrow around the ground when the news came through that Stan had passed away in Princess Margaret Hospital shortly after our home game against Manchester City.

Stan will be sadly missed by all his friends and colleagues at Swindon Town FC and the directors, management, players and staff would like to send their deepest condolences to his wife Pat, daughter Susan, son in law Garry and Grandson Steven. Our thoughts are with you.

## **Bob Cooke**

*Our thoughts also go out to the family of keen Swindon Town supporter Bob Cooke who suffered a stroke while watching Town beat Manchester City recently.*

He passed away on November 5th.

## **Bulgarian pen pal!**

*Did you know that our Barmy Army of supporters spreads as far a field as Bulgaria?*

An ardent Town fan is 15 year old Plamen Petrov who is on the look out for a pen pal.

Apart from supporting Swindon, his hobbies include playing football, fishing and watching films.

Anyone interested in corresponding should write to: Plamen Petrov, F. Simidov, No 3a, ap 8, V. Turnovo 5000, Bulgaria.

## **John Gets VIP treatment**

*Lifelong supporter John Reynolds was special guest of Swindon Town at the recent game against West Bromwich Albion.*

John, who is 76 years of age, has been watching Swindon for some 70 years and to celebrate he and his son Stuart were invited to the County Ground as executive guests.

John first came to the ground to see Swindon beat Millwall in October 1926 and he has watched his team in every division since then, including the Third Division South.

Town Chairman Mike Spearman was delighted to hand over a signed shirt to John as a memento of his magnificent support.



## **Open Forum**

*Swindon Town's Shadow Board are holding an Open Forum on Thursday November 21st at Devizes Town Football Club (7.30pm).*

Manager Steve McMahon will be joined by Club Chairman Mike Spearman to answer questions from supporters.

Tickets are available from Devizes Town FC and Swindon Town FC. Entry is free and a bar will be available.



# swindontown ladies



by Roger Reeves

**Swindon Town Ladies were dumped out of the Women's FA Cup when they were beaten by five goals to nil in Round Two by Reading Royals.**

The Town were up against it from the fourth minute when the Royals went ahead and added a second seven minutes later.

Town fought to get back in the game but were able to create few chances through the tough Reading defence.

Jo Sharpe in the Town goal was in fine form to restrict the home side to two at the break. Town conceded a third before they were reduced to ten players when Kim Reeves became a victim of some unusual decisions. The Royals took full advantage of the extra player and took their tally to five.

Town returned to league action last Sunday but were held

to a two all draw by Cheltenham.

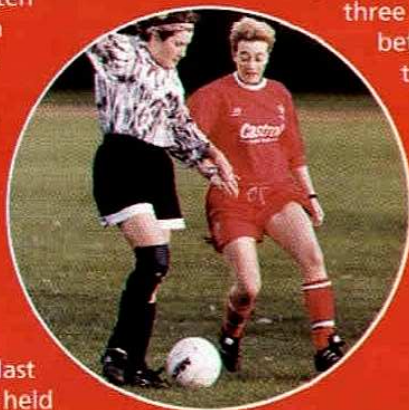
Pam Laker put Swindon ahead just before half time but the visitors equalised through Kirsty Richardson within two minutes.

In the 56th Minute Kerie Garwood regained the lead but again Cheltenham drew level when Caroline Dowerswell curled a free kick into the roof of the net.

This was the first home points that Town have conceded all season.

Tomorrow Swindon Town Ladies travel up the M4 again to face Reading Royals in a Southern Region League Division One fixture.

This will be an early chance for revenge, particularly as the Royals have won the last three encounters between the two sides.



**Kerie Garwood in action against Cheltenham**

## Swindon Town Ladies results

**Women's FA Cup - Second Round**  
**Reading Royals 5 Swindon Town 0**

**Team:** Jo Sharpe, Sharon Black, Netti Wyness, Sara Privett, Clare Tyson, Tracy Mackeddie, Vikki McCann, Kim Reeves, Justine Hume, Nadine Lloyd, Kerie Garwood. **Subs:** (Used) Deb Martin & Sil Cryer. (Not Used) Sarah Ramsey

**Souther Region League - Division One**  
**Swindon Town 2 Cheltenham 2**

**Scorers:** Pam Laker & Kerie Garwood

**Team:** Jo Sharpe, Vikki McCann, Netti Wyness, Sharon Black, Clare Tyson, Tracy Mackeddie, Pam Laker, Kim Reeves, Deb Martin, Nadine Lloyd, Kerie Garwood. **Subs:** (Not Used) Allison Richards, Sil Cryer, Sara Privett.

## Fixtures 96/97

### Southern Region League Division 1

Sun 8th Sept	Portsmouth	A	1-3
Sun 15th Sept	Havant Town	A	4-2
Sun 22nd Sept	Swindon Spitfires	A	2-3
Sun 29th Sept	Cinderford T. (FAC 1)	A	10-0
SUN 6TH OCT	BINFIELD	H	4-1
SUN 13TH OCT	RINGWOOD	H	4-2
Sun 20th Oct	Southampton	A	0-7
Sun 27th Oct	Havant Town LC1	A	2-0
Sun 3rd Nov	Reading Royals (FAC 2)	A	0-5
Sun 10th Nov	Cheltenham	A	2-2
Sun 17th Nov	Reading Royals	A	-
SUN 24TH NOV	SOUTHAMPTON STS.	H	-
SUN 1ST DEC	PORTSMOUTH	H	-
SUN 8TH DEC	HAVANT TOWN	H	-
Sun 15th Dec	League Cup 2nd Round	-	-
SUN 22ND DEC	SWINDON SPITFIRES	H	-
Sun 5th Jan	Regional Five-A-Side	-	-
Sun 12th Jan	Binfield	A	-
Sun 19th Jan	Ringwood	A	-
Sun 26th Jan	To Be Advised	-	-
SUN 2ND FEB	SOUTHAMPTON	H	-
Sun 9th Feb	Southampton Saints	A	-
Sun 16th Feb	Cheltenham	A	-
SUN 23RD FEB	READING ROYALS	H	-

## League Table 96/97 season

### Southern Region League Division 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Portsmouth	7	6	1	0	19	7	19
Reading Royals	7	6	0	1	33	10	18
Southampton	7	5	0	2	27	11	15
Swindon Spitfires	7	4	1	2	17	13	13
Cheltenham	7	3	2	2	10	19	11
Southampton Saints	7	3	1	3	17	15	10
<b>SWINDON TOWN</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>
Binfield	8	2	0	6	9	21	6
Havant Town	9	0	2	7	6	20	2
Ringwood	8	0	2	6	5	20	2

## Player Appearances 96/97 season

	APPS	GOALS
Sharon Black	10	-
Sil Cryer	1(8)	1
Donna Fraser	1	1
Kerie Garwood	10	7
Justine Hume	5(1)	-
Pam Laker	8	4
Nadine Lloyd	10	8
Tracy Mackeddie	9	4
Deb Martin	6(3)	-
Vikki McCann	8(1)	-
Sara Privett	6(1)	1
Kim Reeves	10	2
Allison Richards	5	-
Jo Sharpe	4(3)	-
Clare Tyson	10	-
Netti Wyness	7	-

Own Goals 1  
( ) Denotes used sub.

# Reading match rescheduled

**On the recommendations of the Wiltshire Constabulary, the forthcoming home fixture between local rivals Swindon Town and Reading has been rescheduled for the second time this season.**

The match will now take place on the original date of **Saturday November 30th** and will not be shown live on SKY Sports.

Last month the game was selected by SKY for a live transmission which meant the fixture was brought forward to Friday November 29th.

But on the evidence of incidents involving rival supporters before, during and after the recent away match at Reading and on the basis of police intelligence reports, it was felt that there was a serious risk of public disorder if the game was played on a Friday evening.

Local derbies are traditionally high profile with a heavy police presence deployed to ensure minimal disruption to the local community. Away fans are escorted from the ground to make sure they leave the area after the final whistle.

However on Friday evening's this is more difficult to enforce with a greater risk of away fans staying in Swindon at the main areas of entertainment - pubs, clubs and restaurants which of course would mean the potential for public disorder.

Following discussions between the Wiltshire Constabulary, Swindon Town FC and the Football League, representations were made by the police under the terms of a policy agreement between the Police Authorities and the Football League which provides for avoiding high risk fixtures on Fridays.

After serious consideration the recommendations of the police were accepted by the Football League and the Club in the interests of public safety. Steve Jones, Chief Executive at Swindon Town said :



*"It is extremely disappointing and frustrating that a small minority can spoil the enjoyment for the vast majority. We have a good record at the County Ground and are proud of our reputation as a family club.*

*"We are very unhappy about the circumstances surrounding this decision, but are not prepared to compromise this reputation or the safety of genuine supporters.*

*"Both ourselves and Reading will lose out financially now that the game is not being televised but at the end of the day the safety of the general public is more important."*

**THIS MATCH IS AN ALL TICKET FIXTURE AND TICKETS WILL NOT BE ON SALE ON THE DAY OF THE GAME.**

## STFC Supporters Club news

**Membership renewals have now been completed but new members are still welcome to apply at a cost of £6 for adults and £3.50 for OAP's.**

Membership entitles you to use the premises in the Intel Stand on matchdays as well as the main club in the Castrol Stand. Normal licensing hours apply.

The Supporters Club have a range of activities including darts, skittles and bingo along with regular entertainment - watch the notice boards for further details.

The Christmas Draw has already started and for just 20p you can purchase an envelope, put your name and membership number on it and then have a chance of winning various prizes - including a first prize of £150.

**Other forthcoming events are:**

- Saturday November 23rd** - Disco.
- Saturday December 14th** - Children's Christmas Party.
- Saturday December 21st** - Christmas Racenight.
- Sunday December 22nd** - Christmas Bingo.
- Tuesday December 24th** - Lunchtime - Christmas Draw.
- Tuesday December 24th** - Christmas Eve Disco.
- Saturday December 28th** - Hangover Disco.
- Tuesday December 31st** - New Years Eve Disco.

**If you would like any further information, please contact Sandie Coburn on Swindon 01793 725218 (evenings only).**

# football shorts by M.J. Evans

## Gloom At Bloomfield

Despite a convincing 6-0 win at home to Newcastle United in the 1966-67 season, Blackpool were to only draw five other games at Bloomfield Road that season with the rest of the games ending in defeat. A total of seven points was achieved at home. They did manage more success away from home with five wins and four draws but their total of 21 points was never enough to keep them safe from relegation to Division 2 at the season's end

## Familiar Story

Bolton Wanderers opened their 1902-03 campaign in Division One with only three draws from their first 23 matches, the other 20 games ending in defeat. The season ended with relegation

despite the Trotters winning eight away fixtures.

## Shaken Not Stirred

The chairman of Bury F.C. way back in 1891, is allegedly responsible for the club gaining its nickname The Shakers. Upon learning of the strength of his teams next opponents he remarked that 'they would shake them'!

## Don't Give Up Yer Day Job

When Sheffield Wednesday signed Willie Lawson from Brechin City in October 1969 the club not only signed a forward to their side but also a part-time window cleaner. It is highly unlikely that he shimmied with his shammy around the Yorkshire area as he only played nine times for the Owls. A disappointed Willie returned to

Scotland via St Mirren but Brechin were the more dejected, for had Willie played in three more fixtures for Sheffield Wednesday he would have earned Brechin a further £1,000 from their transfer negotiations.

## 3 Wheels On My Waggon

Brentford recorded an historic 1-0 win over first Division Middlesbrough back in 1906-07. The London side were only in the Southern League and up against the might of household names: Steve Bloomer and Alf Common, who at the time was a record league signing of £1,000. Over 21,000 spectators saw this FA Cup 2nd round giant-killing act. The 'Boro's blushes were not spared after their Cup defeat when their coach lost one of its wheels as it passed through Brentford High Street.



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## Ipswich Town

Tues November 19th Kick-Off 7.45pm



Town's visit to Portman Road - originally scheduled for October 5 - was called off when Ipswich took advantage of the Under-21 International ruling.

## Birmingham City

Sat November 23rd Kick-Off 3.00pm



There were a few sad faces amongst Swindon fans when Town trailed 4-1 at St. Andrews on Easter Monday 1993. But Hoddle's men turned the scoreline upside down for a remarkable 6-4 victory.



### Going to Charlton?

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## Travelling by Road.....

### Birmingham City

Take the A417, joining the M5 at Junction 11a. Follow the M5 North, joining the M42 at Junction 4a. Leave the M42 at Junction 6 (A45 Birmingham) and follow signs to city centre. At end of Small Heath Highway, turn right into Coventry Road and then left into Tilton Road.



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# statistics 1996/97 season



## NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION 1 up to and including November 12th

	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	PTS.
BOLTON WANDERERS	16	8	1	0	3	3	1	37	20	37
CRYSTAL PALACE	17	5	2	1	4	4	1	39	13	33
NORWICH CITY	17	4	4	1	5	0	3	26	17	31
BARNLEY	16	4	3	2	4	3	0	30	19	30
WOLVES	17	2	3	4	5	2	1	22	17	26
SHEFFIELD UNITED	14	3	3	1	4	1	2	29	16	25
TRANMERE ROVERS	17	5	1	3	2	3	3	25	20	25
SWINDON TOWN	16	5	1	3	2	1	4	24	19	23
STOKE CITY	15	4	1	1	2	4	3	20	26	23
PORT VALE	18	2	4	3	3	4	2	17	20	23
OXFORD UNITED	16	5	2	1	1	2	5	20	13	22
QUEENS PARK RANGERS	18	2	3	4	3	4	2	20	24	22
PORTSMOUTH	18	3	3	3	2	2	5	20	24	20
WEST BROM	16	1	4	3	3	4	1	19	23	20
SOUTHEND UNITED	18	4	3	2	0	5	4	18	28	20
IPSWICH TOWN	17	2	4	2	2	3	4	21	24	19
HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	15	4	2	2	1	2	4	17	21	19
MANCHESTER CITY	15	4	0	2	2	1	6	16	21	19
READING	16	4	2	1	1	1	7	19	27	18
BIRMINGHAM CITY	14	4	2	1	0	3	4	15	17	17
CHARLTON ATHLETIC	14	4	2	0	1	0	7	14	21	17
OLDHAM ATHLETIC	18	1	5	3	2	1	6	19	23	15
GRIMSBY TOWN	17	2	1	6	1	3	4	18	36	13
BRADFORD CITY	17	3	2	4	0	2	6	11	29	13



## First Team Player Appearances 96/97

Player Name:	League		Cup		Total	
	Apps.	Gls.	Apps.	Gls.	Apps.	Gls.
PAUL ALLEN	5(2)	1	2	0	7(2)	1
WAYNE ALLISON	12(2)	4	4	2	16(2)	6
LEE COLLINS	1	0	-	-	1	0
STEVE COWE	10(3)	3	3(1)	0	13(4)	3
JAN CULVERHOUSE	13	0	4	0	17	0
FREDERIC DARRAS	13(2)	0	4	0	17(2)	0
FRASER DIGBY	1	0	-	-	1	0
ROBIN HULBERT	0	0	(1)	0	(1)	0
JASON DRYSDALE	4	0	2	0	6	0
GARY ELKINS	8	0	2	0	10	0
STEVE FINNEY	3(4)	1	1(1)	0	4(5)	1
TY GOODEN	1(1)	0	0	0	1(1)	0
KEVIN HORLOCK	16	4	5	0	21	4
SCOTT LEITCH	15	0	5	1	20	1
STEVE McMAHON	-	-	-	-	-	-
STEVE MILDENHALL	-	-	-	-	-	-
WAYNE O'SULLIVAN	6(4)	0	2	1	8(4)	1
MARK ROBINSON	14	1	4	0	18	1
MARK SEAGRAVES	12(1)	0	3(1)	0	15(2)	0
ALEX SMITH	1	0	0	0	1	0
FRANK TALIA	15	0	5	0	20	0
SHAUN TAYLOR	2	0	1(1)	0	3(1)	0
PETER THORNE	7(5)	5	2(1)	2	9(6)	7
MARK WALTERS	12(1)	3	4	1	16(1)	4
KEVIN WATSON	5(4)	1	1(1)	0	6(5)	1

## Swindon Town Fixtures 1996/97 Season

Date	Opponents	Res	Att.
Sat Aug 17	Norwich City	A 0-2	15,165
TUE AUG 20	WOLVERHAMPTON W. C.C.C 1 (1)	H 2-0	7,451
SAT AUG 24	PORT VALE	H 1-1	8,706
WED AUG 28	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H 1-0	8,025
Sat Aug 31	Southend United	A 3-1	4,011
Wed Sep 4	Wolverhampton W. C.C.C 1 (2)	A 0-1	10,760
Sat Sep 7	Grimsby Town	A 1-2	4,089
WED SEP 11	PORTSMOUTH	H 0-1	8,687
SAT SEP 14	TRANMERE ROVERS	H 2-1	8,430
WED SEP 18	QUEENS PARK RANGERS C.C.C 2 (1)	H 1-2	7,843
Sat Sep 21	Queens Park Rangers	A 1-1	13,662
Wed Sep 25	Queens Park Rangers C.C.C 2 (2)	A 3-1*	6,976
FRI SEP 27	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	H 1-2	8,572
Wed Oct 2	Bradford City	A 1-2	9,249
SAT OCT 12	OXFORD UNITED	H 1-0	10,811
WED OCT 16	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H 6-0	7,724
Sat Oct 19	Crystal Palace	A 2-1	15,088
Wed Oct 23	Manchester United C.C.C 3	A 1-2	49,305
Sat Oct 26	Reading	A 0-2	11,018
WED OCT 30	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	H 2-3	8,909
SAT NOV 2	MANCHESTER CITY	H 2-0	14,374
SAT NOV 16	BARNLEY (F.A. CUP 1)	H	
Tues Nov 19	Ipswich Town	A	
Sat Nov 23	Birmingham City	A	
Tues Nov 26	Sheffield United	A	
Wed Nov 27	Coca-Cola Cup 4		
SAT NOV 30	READING	H	
Sat Dec 7	Charlton Athletic (F.A. Cup 2)	A	
Sat Dec 14	Stoke City	A	
SUN DEC 22	BOLTON WANDERERS	H	
Thu Dec 26	Portsmouth	A	
SAT DEC 28	GRIMSBY TOWN	H	
WED JAN 1	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	H	
Sat Jan 4	F.A. Cup 3		
Wed Jan 8	Coca-Cola Cup 5		
Sat Jan 11	Tranmere Rovers	A	
SAT JAN 18	BRADFORD CITY	H	
Sat Jan 25	F.A. Cup 4		
Wed Jan 29	Wolverhampton Wanderers	A	
SAT FEB 1	SHEFFIELD UNITED	H	
Sat Feb 8	West Bromwich Albion	A	
SAT FEB 15	BIRMINGHAM CITY (F.A. Cup 5)	H	
Wed Feb 19	Coca-Cola Cup SF (1)		
Sat Feb 22	Manchester City	A	
SAT MAR 1	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H	
Tue Mar 4	Barnley	A	
Sat Mar 8	Bolton Wanderers (F.A. Cup 6)	A	
Wed Mar 12	Coca-Cola Cup SF(2)		
SAT MAR 15	STOKE CITY	H	
Sat Mar 22	Port Vale	A	
SAT MAR 29	NORWICH CITY	H	
Mon Mar 31	Oldham Athletic	A	
SAT APR 5	SOUTHEND UNITED	H	
Sun Apr 6	Coca-Cola Cup Final		
SAT APR 12	IPSWICH TOWN (F.A. Cup SF)	H	
Sat Apr 19	Oxford United	A	
SAT APR 26	CRYSTAL PALACE	H	
Sun May 4	Huddersfield Town	A	
Sat May 17	F.A. Cup Final		

**NEXT HOME GAME:**  
**SAT NOVEMBER 30TH**



**Swindon Town vs Reading**  
**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION 1**  
**Kick-Off 3.00pm**

FAC = F.A. Cup C.C.C = Coca-Cola Cup  
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 \* After Extra Time (4-3 agg)

All home Saturday fixtures will kick-off at 3.00pm.  
 Home Sunday and Bank Holiday fixtures will kick-off as advertised.  
 Home midweek fixtures will kick-off at 7.45pm.  
 All dates and times of kick-off's are subject to change.



Goalscorer = Name in Red Substitute used = ●▼■

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TALIA	DARRAS	DRYSDALE	LEITCH	ALLEN	TAYLOR▼	ROBINSON	WALTERS	FINNEY●	ALLISON	HORLOCK■	THORNE●	SEAGRAVES▼	WATSON■
TALIA	DARRAS	DRYSDALE	LEITCH	ALLEN▼	TAYLOR	ROBINSON	WALTERS■	FINNEY	ALLISON	HORLOCK	THORNE	SEAGRAVES▼	WATSON■
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TALIA	DARRAS	DRYSDALE	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	ROBINSON	WATSON	COWE	ALLISON	HORLOCK	THORNE	ALLEN	FINNEY
TALIA	DARRAS	DRYSDALE	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	ROBINSON	WATSON●	COWE■	THORNE	HORLOCK	O'SULLIVAN●	ALLEN	FINNEY■
TALIA	DARRAS	SMITH●	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	ROBINSON	WATSON■	COWE	THORNE▼	HORLOCK	TAYLOR●	WALTERS	FINNEY
TALIA	DARRAS	ROBINSON▼	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	WALTERS	WATSON●	COWE	THORNE	HORLOCK	ALLISON●	SMITH	FINNEY▼
TALIA	DARRAS	O'SULLIVAN	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	WALTERS	ALLEN▼	COWE	THORNE●	HORLOCK	ALLISON●	WATSON▼	COLLINS
TALIA	DARRAS	O'SULLIVAN	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	WALTERS	ALLEN	COWE	ALLISON	HORLOCK	FINNEY	WATSON	ELKINS
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TALIA	ROBINSON	ELKINS	LEITCH●	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	WALTERS	O'SULLIVAN	COWE■	ALLISON	HORLOCK	THORNE▼	HULBERT■	FINNEY▼
TALIA	ROBINSON▼	ELKINS	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	WALTERS	O'SULLIVAN●	COWE	ALLISON	HORLOCK	FINNEY●	WATSON	THORNE▼
TALIA	ROBINSON■	ELKINS	LEITCH	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE●	WALTERS	O'SULLIVAN▼	COWE	ALLISON	HORLOCK	DARRAS■	WATSON●	THORNE▼
TALIA	ROBINSON	ELKINS	LEITCH●	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	WALTERS	O'SULLIVAN	COWE■	ALLISON	HORLOCK	THORNE	DARRAS●	WATSON
TALIA	ROBINSON●	ELKINS	LEITCH▼	SEAGRAVES	CULVERHOUSE	WALTERS	DARRAS	THORNE 3	ALLISON■	HORLOCK	ALLEN●	COWE■	O'SULLIVAN▼
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TALIA	ROBINSON	ELKINS●	WATSON	ALLEN	CULVERHOUSE■	WALTERS	DARRAS	THORNE	ALLISON	HORLOCK	GOODEN●	COWE■	O'SULLIVAN
DIGBY	ROBINSON	GOODEN	COLLINS	COWE	HORLOCK	O'SULLIVAN	DARRAS	FINNEY	ALLISON 2	LEITCH	CULVERHOUSE	WATSON	SMITH

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Mike Spearman  
 Chairman

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## Swindon Town

- 1 Fraser Digby
- 2 Mark Robinson
- 3 Ty Gooden
- 4 Scott Leitch
- 5 Mark Seagraves
- 6 Kevin Horlock
- 7 Wayne O'Sullivan
- 8 Frederic Darras
- 9 Steve Finney
- 10 Wayne Allison
- 11 Mark Walters
- 12 Ian Culverhouse
- 13 Kevin Watson
- 14 Alex Smith

### Team Changes

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## Barnsley

- 1 David Watson
- 2 Nicky Eaden
- 3 Matty Appleby
- 4 Darren Sheridan
- 5 Adrian Moses
- 6 Arjan De Zeeuw
- 7 John Hendrie
- 8 Neil Redfearn
- 9 Paul Wilkinson
- 10 Andy Liddell
- 11 Scott Jones
- 12 Martin Bullock
- 13 Clint Marcelle
- 14 Jovo Bosancic

### Team Changes

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### Today's Officials:

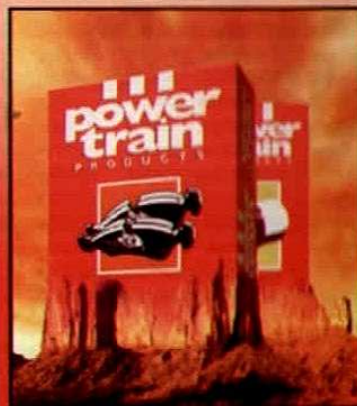
- Referee:  
M. Fletcher (West Midlands)
- Assisted by:  
C. Jones (Mid Glamorgan)  
A.R. Legg (West Sussex)
- Reserve Official:  
M. Pickering (Swindon)



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