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Rudge Report...

It was with high spirits that we set off for Burnden Park on Tuesday for our game with Bolton Wanderers, following our excellent win against a good Charlton Athletic side, who can play a bit when the mood takes them. We put in a good solid performance, and I was pleased for Lee Mills who did well in scoring with two good finishes. A well earned three points.

Our result against Bolton is now merely a statistic for the history books, but at one stage I thought that a draw was not beyond us. We were all aware of the enormity of the task in hand, Bolton Wanderers are a class act, that is there for all to see.

Ian Bogie got us off to a dream start, and whilst I thought we performed well throughout our defending was a little lacking. I fear that this contributed to our undoing as Wanderers ran up the score. A really difficult task that one, but at least the team adapted to the atrocious weather conditions and had a real go at a very good side who look Premier League bound.

Today's visitors Swindon Town will not give us an easy afternoon. The last few years have been of a rather up and down affair for Swindon, but they have really got to grips with Division One, and are nobody's fools. We will have to work hard if we are going to be three points better off by full time.

As the season draws to a close, I feel it a fair conclusion to say that we must take full advantage of our home points if we are going to feature in the play offs. There are some tough games coming our way, that's for sure, so please get behind the players from the off as it really does help.

LEE MILLS

Two goal hero in last Saturdays victory over Charlton Athletic

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If anyone is interested please write to him direct.

DO YOU REMEMBER

The very last match played at the Recreation Ground in Bryan Street, Hanley which now is covered by the multi-storey car park for the Potteries Shopping Centre.
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As a result of a generous offer from Exeter City Supporters' Organisation to make a donation to the Third Division club for every child attending their home game with Scunthorpe United last week, the directors of the Grecians have decided to show their appreciation by extending the offer even further.

Club officials at Exeter City have confirmed that all children who are 15 years of age and under will be admitted free of charge to the Cowshed or Big Bank sections of the ground.

Ivor Doble, Chairman of Exeter City, said: "We greatly appreciate the initiative taken by the supporters' club and hope that by allowing all children standing in these areas of the ground free entry they will be encouraged to come back and watch our side through our regular 'Kid-A-Quid' turnstiles at St James' Park."

SEAGULLS LAUNCH KID A QUID OFFER

Third Division battlers Brighton & Hove Albion have announced that they will be allowing children under the age of 16 into their Nationwide Football League encounter with Cardiff City for just £1.

The Seagulls, who have put together a smashing series of results since former Charlton Athletic manager Steve Gritt's arrival in the Goldstone Ground hot seat, are now just three points from a position of safety and will be hoping that the increased numbers of juniors will help spur them on to another vital victory.

Juniors will be able to take advantage of this offer by simply handing over a pound at the turnstile on the day of the game for terrace accommodation, although children wanting a seat for the game for a £1 must buy their ticket before the day of the game.

Goldstone Ground Community Officer, Stephen Ford, commented: "This is a great opportunity for us to encourage boys and girls from all our local schools to come and experience - possibly for the first time - the excitement of the Nationwide Football League."

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DELEGATION TRAVEL TO EUROPE

A senior delegation from The Football League have met recently with leading EC figures, including commissioner Karel Van Miert, to discuss the major issues facing football.

The Football League's delegation, led by Chairman David Sheepshanks and Secretary David Dent, met with key department heads, UEFA and the senior European Commissioner Karel Van Miert.

The visit was organised by Mark Hendrick MEP, whose assistance David Sheepshanks described as invaluable.

David Sheepshanks, Chairman of The Football League, commented: "With The Football League representing 75% of the professional game in this country it is vital for the health of our Football League clubs that we personally meet with the important decision makers in Europe."

"Changes to the game may be inevitable as a result of The Bosman ruling. Whatever these are it is important that The Football League plays an active part in managing these changes. We need to

play our part in forging the future direction of the national game."

ROCHDALE'S EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA

Third Division club Rochdale have announced a splendid offer for children in their local area which will allow them to get into their Nationwide Football League fixture with Swansea City on Saturday 29th March free of charge.
All juniors under the age of 12 have to do to gain free admission is demonstrate a little community spirit by handing over a tin of food at the Sandy Lane End of the club's Spotland ground in return for live first team action.
The 'Bring a tin and it's free to get in' initiative is part of Rochdale's successful scheme to position themselves as an integral facet of the local community and all the food collected on the day will be donated to Age Concern to be distributed to the elderly in the town.

LEAGUE CONFIRM AUTO WINDSCREENS SHIELD OFFICIALS

Football League referee John Kirkby from Sheffield will officiate this season's Auto Windscreens Shield Final at Wembley Stadium on Sunday 20th April 1997.
John Kirkby will be accompanied by Football League assistant referees Alan Howells from Port Talbot in West Glamorgan and David Oliver from Darlington for this prestigious fixture.
Completing the team of officials for the Auto Windscreens Shield Final is reserve referee David Orr from Iver in Buckinghamshire.
John, who is currently enjoying his 10th season on The Football League's list of referees, commented: "I am absolutely thrilled to be appointed referee for the Auto Windscreens Shield Final which has been established as one of the most significant dates in the domestic football diary over recent years."

TOWN HIT SUPPORTERS FOR SIX

First Division Ipswich Town have bolstered their promotion-chasing ambitions by introducing a unique 'Big Six' season ticket initiative for their fans which will guarantee them a piece of the action for the club's final six home fixtures of the campaign.
The Portman Road side have got an incredible run-in in the Nationwide Football League which includes encounters at home against high-flyers Bolton Wanderers and Sheffield United, a fixture with neighbours Norwich City, games against big guns Manchester City and Birmingham City, along with an important match at home to basement battlers Oldham Athletic.
The 'Big Six' ticket package has been on offer all this week at Ipswich Town's ticket office with adults being able to ensure their place at Portman Road for the remainder of the campaign for £58 and children just £32.
Ipswich Town's Alesha Gooderham, commented: "It's an excellent opportunity for our supporters to secure their seats for what promises to be a breathtaking finale to the season. These 'Big Six' prices also represent significant savings on normal admission prices for our fans."

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Are these agents however completely to the player's benefit. Can they for instance steer a player from one club to another because the commission earned is substantially higher? Do they encourage their clients to move clubs more frequently in order to make more money?

I really do not know the answers to these questions, but if they carry any substance the game of football is surely to suffer, as teams of emerging potential may be broken up by agents looking to sell on its best assets. Now I accept that the transfer market has always been able to do this, but are agents helping the process along?

It has to be noted that the game's authorities have for some time licensed agents which is a good thing, as this creates a greater stability in this area of the industry.

It has been noted down the years of cases where agents have had managers pulling out their hair, and even of managers refusing to deal with agents at all.

I believe that if 10% is here to stay and that is not entirely a bad thing from the player's point of view, however I doubt if it will ever become an entirely good thing from the club's point of view.

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Brain Teasers

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1. Resigned as Leicester City boss and joined Wolverhampton Wanderers during 1995/96 (6)
3. The only host country to have lost in a World Cup Final (6)
5. Mike Walker's predecessor at Norwich City (8)
7. "The Camels" who lost 1-0 to England during the 1982 World Cup Finals(6)
9. ..... Rovers, Scottish League club based at the Cliftonhill Stadium, Coatsbridge (6)
11. European Footballer of the Year with Marseille in 1991, subsequently transferred to AC Milan in 1992 for £10 million (5)
15. Last player to win successive FA Cup medals with different clubs (6)
16. Shipping line whose employees originally dominated the playing staff of a London based Football League club (6)
17. Rio de Janeiro stadium, where the record breaking crowd of 199,854 watched the 1950 World Cup Final between Brazil and Uruguay (8)
18. Made 571 appearances for Crystal Palace from 1973 (6)
19. Country where the first World Cup match on an artificial surface was played in 1976 (6)

DOWN

2. The country Glasgow Rangers striker Colin Stein scored four times against for Scotland in a 1969 World Cup qualifier in 1969 (6)
3. Team which scored the fastest goal of the 1994 World Cup qualifying competition (3,6)
4. "The Chicks", non League club was reached the FA Cup competition proper in 1992 (7)
5. The 1981 Young Player of the Year, who starred in Villa's European Cup winning team (4)
6. Scored 6 for Oldham vs Scarborough in 1989, a record for a single League Cup match (4)
8. German born goalie who broke his neck during the 1956 FA Cup Final (9)
10. Scored 7 for Stoke against Lincoln in 1957 a record for a Division 2 match (7)
12. Public school whose old boys won the FA Cup in 1882 (4)
13. Italy's all time top scorer in internationals, netted three during the 1970 World Cup Finals (4)
14. English translation of "Eintract" as in the name of the German club, Eintract Frankfurt (6)

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Since taking over as coach of the Australian football team Terry Venables and his Socceroos have been in demand and invitations have been flooding in from across Europe from the leading national sides seeking a match with the Aussies.

Even England are hoping to cross swords with their former coach and arrange a fixture with the Australians next year before the 1998 World Cup Finals in France.

Since the appointment of Venables the profile of football in Australia has been raised and everyone is wanting to jump on the band wagon and keen to meet Terry's kangaroos apart from England, Italy, Austria, Greece, Hungary, Croatia and Northern Ireland are all keen to fit in a fixture against Venables' side.

In a country where cricket, rugby and Australian rules football has dominated for so long the appointment by the Australian football association of Venables must be regarded as one of the major decisions they have taken on the sporting front over the last decade.

There is no doubt that Venables has the ability to put a useful side on the park and with more and more Australian players earning a living in Europe and in Britain Venables will certainly put together a useful side that could make its way into the World Cup Finals in France next year with their opening game commencing in June the former England coach is aware of the need to play against top class International opposition in readiness for the task ahead.

Australia love playing England at any sport and wouldn't it be ironic if Venables guides the Aussies to the World Cup in 1998 and his successor Glenn Hoddle fails to make the cut.

Answer to last week's quiz competition: Was that Brian Talbot the former England, Ipswich and Arsenal star guided Hibbs to the Maltese Championships.

This week's quiz competition: Who was the first manager of Wimbledon in the Football League?

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Main Pic: The Charlton Defence struggle against an acrobatic Lee Mills during last weekends 2-0 victory

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WELCOME Swindon Town

FRASER DIGBY - Goalkeeper
Tall elegant stylist with a safe pair of hands, Fraser served his apprenticeship at Old Trafford but was not given a first team opportunity by Manchester United. Loaned out to Oldham Athletic and Swindon for experience but again was not afforded first team exposure. In December 1986 Town paid £32,500 for his transfer and so impressive was he that he gained England Under 21 recognition to add to his England Schoolboy and Youth honours. A serious thumb injury cost him both his Club and Under 21 place but he soon bounced back and has now made over 400 senior appearances for Town. In 1992-93 he did return to Manchester United on loan as cover but his only senior appearance at Old Trafford was for Town in the Premiership. Has played twice at Wembley in the play off finals and this year celebrates a Testimonial Season.

IAN CULVERHOUSE - Defender
A cultured defender who was a polished full back with Norwich City and excels in the role of sweeper. Ian is a product of the Tottenham Hotspur youth policy. Played only one senior game for Spurs, at Notts County 21.2.84, before joining Norwich City for £50,000 in October 1985. Played some 369 games for the Canaries and was outstanding in their first European campaign. Norwich wanted £900,000 for his transfer at the end of December 1994 but a Football League tribunal set the fee at £250,000. He was included in the PFA Second Division representative team last season.

FREDERIC DARRAS - Defender
Signed a three year contract on the 8th August from French Club Bastia. Frederic spent 11 years with French double winners Auxerre before moving to Bastia. He represented France at Under 18 and 21 level and has made no fewer than 19 European Cup appearances, including a quarter final tie against Florentina.

JASON DRYSDALE - Defender
Joined Town from Newcastle United on March 23rd 1995, for a fee of £340,000 but has been desperately unlucky with injuries that have limited his appearances for Town to just ten starts thus

Swindon Town the play

far. A former Watford trainee, he won a FA Youth Cup winner's medal with the Hornets and went on to make 160 senior appearances (scoring 13 goals), before a £425,000 move to St. James' Park in August 1994. Found his opportunities limited and after less than seven months opted to try his luck with Swindon.

MARK ROBINSON - Defender
Joined the apprentice ranks at West Bromwich Albion on leaving school in June 1985 and made his League debut against Sheffield Wednesday on April 22nd 1986. He was not offered a professional contract by the Throstles, he was however recruited by Barnsley. Was given his chance with an extended first team run in 1989 and such was his form that Newcastle United swooped in with a cheque for £450,000 in March 1993. Mark lost his place through injury and found himself in the shadow of some great names, so gladly moved to Wiltshire for then a club record of £600,000 in July 1994 and made his Town debut vs Port Vale (14.8.94).

MARK SEAGRAVES - Central Defender
A former Liverpool apprentice and England Youth International, Mark was seen as the ideal partner for Shaun Taylor at the heart of the defence when Town paid Bolton Wanderers £100,000 for his registration in June 1995. Made his Town debut at Hull City on the opening day of the season and played in the opening 17 games before injury curtailed his involvement to 25 starts for the season. Mark's League debut was for Norwich City at Coventry City (22.11.86) and he played three games while on loan from Liverpool before a £100,000 transfer to Manchester City in September 1987. Made 42 League appearances for City and joined Bolton Wanderers for another £100,000 in September 1990 clocking up 180 senior games for the Trotters.

ALEX SMITH - Midfield
Former Everton trainee signed professional forms in January 1996. Made 13 first team appearances last season. Played in the same school team as team mate Peter Holcroft.

KEVIN WATSON - Midfield
Came through Tottenham's junior ranks having joined the Club at the age of eleven. Made 12 first team appearances under Terry Venables in 1994. Had loan spells at Bristol City and Barnet. Captain of the Spurs Reserves for the last two seasons. This 22 year old midfielder looks set to have a bright future ahead of him and is looking foward to playing first team football.

WAYNE ALLISON - Striker
Top shot in his first season with Town scoring 20 goals, 16 of them in the Second Division Championship. A very popular figure who makes the most of his height and weight to unsettle defenders. A Yorkshireman, he served his apprenticeship with Halifax Town and caught the attention of Watford who invested £250,000 in his

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ers in profile...

transfer in July 1989. A year later he was on his way to Bristol City for £300,000 where he soon established himself as a local hero finishing top scorer for the third time in 1995 (13 League goals) but deciding to move at the end of his contract. A League tribunal ruled Town had to pay £475,000 for his registration.

STEVEN COWE - Striker
Could prove to be Steve McMahon's most astute signing if he realises his potential. Hails from Gloucester but was with Aston Villa as an Associated Schoolboy graduating to professional status in the summer of 1993. Is 5'8" tall yet shields the ball well and has a natural instinct for being in the right place. Has two good feet and great awareness of players around him who he brings into play like a veteran. Steve was recruited on loan initially, as cover following the injury to Finney, but impressed the management so much that a permanent move was quickly arranged. Made his League bow as a substitute in the 2-0 defeat of Peterborough United (23.3.96) and registered his first League goal in a 3-1 win at Chesterfield (23.4.96).

STEPHEN FINNEY - Striker
No relation to Tom Finney though he started his career with Preston North End who he signed for as a Schoolboy in December 1987 and gained professional status with in 1991. Made his senior debut, as a sub in the Autoglass Trophy at home to Hull City and was introduced to League football from the bench, against Exeter City (18.1.92). Preston released him after six appearances and he was signed by Manchester City in February 1993 after a trial. It was at Maine Road that Steve McMahon came into contact with him and when City released Steve on a free, he quickly signed him in the summer of 1995 as cover. However, injury to Peter Thorne saw Steve make a scoring League debut at Hull on the opening day of the season and he was joint top scorer with 16 goals when he suffered a broken ankle at Burnley on March 16 1996.

PETER THORNE - Striker
Snatched from the shadow of Alan Shearer in January 1995 Peter is a strong robust striker in the mold of the England hero. Joined Blackburn Rovers as a trainee in 1989 and made his only first team appearance for them at Wembley in the Charity Shield match with Swindon scoring four goals in his first two games and netted all five goals against TP Seinajoki of Finland in the summer of '95. Despite a catalogue of injuries he contributed 10 goals in 2 League starts to help win the Second Division title.

Swindon Town

Back Row (left to right): Peter Thorne, Wayne Allison, Fraser Digby, Steve Mildenhall, Frank Talia, Shaun Taylor (now left) Kevin Watson, Kevin Horlock (now left)

Middle Row (left to right): Jonathan Trigg (Physio), Lee Collins, Mark Robinson, Edwin Murray (now left), Steve Finney, Mark Seagraves, Mark Walters, Ty Gooden, Frederic Darras, Dean Hooper (now left), Steve Crowe, Ross Maclaren (Reserve Team Cach.

Front Row (left to right): Scott Leitch, Ian Culverhouse, Jason Drysdale, Andy Rowland (now left), Steve McMahon (Team Manager), Paul Allen (now left), Alex Smith, Wayne O'Sullivan.

SWINDON TOWN

the boss in profile...

STEVE McMAHON - Player/Manager

In his first full season as Player/Manager the former Liverpool favourite led Swindon Town to the Second Division Championship in style. Alas, injuries prevented him making as big a contribution as he would have liked on the pitch, but he did make 21 League appearances.

As a player he is a competitive dynamo who has won acclaim at the highest level of the game and collected almost all the honours available for both club and country yet he declares that winning the Second Division Championship was the highlight of his career. And what a career it has been. Liverpool born and bred he was a ball boy at Goodison Park and on the club's books as an Associated Schoolboy. He made his League debut at Sunderland in August 1980 and scored 11 goals in 100 league games before a £300,000 transfer to Aston Villa in 1983. By then Steve was a seasoned England Under 21 International and went on to win a European Championship medal in 1984. With Villa he emerged as a midfield general of the highest order but his career in the Midlands was short lived, Kenny Dalglish making him his first big buy with a £375,000 move to Anfield.

By the end of his first season with Liverpool Steve had League and FA Cup medals to add to his collection as the Reds clinched the "double". There were more to come as he shared in Liverpool's phenomenal success, while at international level he was in the 1990 World Cup squad and won 17 caps.

On Christmas Eve 1991, Manchester City paid £900,000 for his services and until his move to Swindon as Player/Manager in November 1994 he had continued to perform at the highest level.

MIKE WALSH - First Team Coach

The former Bolton Wanderers, Everton, Manchester City and Blackpool defender became Steve McMahon's number two early in October 1996. He came to the County Ground with a wealth of experience having managed Bury for five years, leading them to three play offs. Mike also had four Republic of Ireland Caps to his name.

Before joining Swindon, Mike had been manager of Unibond Premier League Club Barrow and enjoyed a successful start to the season, leading the non league club up into second spot. It was during his time at Everton that Mike met Steve McMahon and he was delighted to be offered the chance to work along side Steve again at the County Ground.

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Scene On One

Last Saturday's shock of the day must surely have been at lowly Oldham Athletic's Boundary Park where the struggling Latics beat high flying Wolves 3-2. Mind you Wolves did have Steve Bull sent off after forty five minutes, and he had scored one of the Wanderers goals.

A good result for fellow strugglers Grimsby Town who drew 1-1 with Manchester City at Blundell Park. Not a bad result this against a City side who are no longer an embarrassing pushover.

Goals by Gordon and McKenzie secured the points for Crystal Palace against Norwich City. A real battle for the play offs that one.

Not so at Ipswich where a John McGinlay goal saw Bolton Wanderers win 1-0, as they maintain their push for promotion to the Premier League as Division One leaders.

Another form side are Portsmouth who thrashed Huddersfield Town on their own ground 3-1. This despite Pompey losing the services of Hillier who was sent off just before the interval.

A fair result at Prenton Park where Tranmere held Barnsley to a 1-1 draw. Rovers must overcome the loss of Moore and Brannan if they are to continue as play off candidates.

Reading versus Bradford City was the only goalless game of the day. A real surprise this as very few Reading games end without someone scoring a goal. Ever noticed that?

Coming on leaps and bounds are Sheffield United who made no mistake against Oxford United, winning 3-1. Struggling Southend United compounded their own misery when an own goal by Roget proved to be the only goal of the game against Queens Park Rangers. Swindon Town defeated Stoke City 1-0, playing much of the game with ten men following the dismissal of Allison.

On Sunday West Bromwich Albion entertained Birmingham City at the Hawthorns, Albion winning 2-0 thanks to goals by Sneekes and Hamilton. City were in the word of Trevor Francis "Woeful", whilst new Albion boss Ray Harford was a happy man, as were a good many "Baggies" fans.

As for the Vale, well a good solid performance saw the boys win 2-0, Lee Mills netting both goals. Rather a shame that the visit of Charlton attracted the division's lowest crowd of the day, 5,905.

Nationwide Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bolton	38	22	12	4	81	46	78
Wolves	37	19	8	10	54	38	65
Barnsley	36	17	12	7	60	43	63
Sheffield Utd	37	17	10	10	64	43	61
C Palace	36	15	11	10	67	38	56
Norwich	38	15	10	13	55	58	55
Ipswich	37	14	13	10	51	45	55
Port Vale	38	13	15	10	46	43	54
Portsmouth	36	15	8	13	45	40	53
Swindon	38	15	7	16	51	54	52
Tranmere	36	14	9	13	49	47	51
Stoke	36	14	9	13	43	46	51
Q.P.R.	38	13	11	14	48	50	50
West Brom	38	11	14	13	60	62	47
Reading	36	12	11	13	47	52	47
Oxford.	37	13	7	17	49	51	46
Man City	36	13	7	16	45	48	46
Charlton	36	13	7	16	43	52	46
Birmingham	36	12	10	14	41	44	46
Huddersfield	38	11	11	16	42	55	44
Grimsby	36	8	11	17	48	67	35
Bradford	37	8	11	18	38	60	35
Oldham	35	8	10	17	37	48	34
Southend	38	7	12	19	35	69	33

"Lee Mills scored two great goals"

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Ian McPherson writes...

Generally speaking, a 4-2 scoreline gives the impression of a very one sided game, but nothing could be further from the truth when referring to our Valiant display at Bolton Wanderers on Tuesday evening. For eighty minutes, or so, we matched a very good side in every department and with the game delicately poised at 2-2, the Vale were well in the ascendancy and looked likely to pocket all three points.

However, within the space of two minutes Bolton had pinched two goals to produce that totally misleading result. It must be said, though, that this did not detract from a wonderful performance against a side destined for the Premier League and some sixteen points clear at the top of our table after suffering only one home reverse all season.

All the more galling was all the usual nonsense I had to put up with on Wednesday. People who have never been to a game in their lives suddenly become world authorities on football and tell you in all assurance how they knew that Bolton would batter the Vale and how they were not really surprised at the result. If only they had been there! Just as infuriating are the text watching brigade who delight in informing you that at 2-2 they were sure the Vale would bring home a point and after nipping after to make a pot of tea, how they returned and hey presto! We were 4-2 down. What happened? What went wrong? You blew up at the end! The text watchers relay the details of the game to you with as much certainty as if they had been there. The only added drawback is they delight in telling you exactly where they went and what they were doing in between each goal.

Consequently, I will not be sorry to see the last of Burnden Park. My experience of the place has always been that it is dark, dull and depressing, with games always played in pouring rain and with the result invariably always going against us. Indeed, the only victory I can ever recall at the place was a 2-1 FA Cup 2nd round win during our promotion season of 1988-89. However, I believe the new stadium at Horwich is absolutely magnificent and hopefully we will soon have the pleasure of visiting it.

The monsoon conditions at Bolton reminded me of a game played at Vale Park during the early seventies against Charlton Athletic. If I recall the game was played during March and the rain that night was as heavy as any I have ever seen. It became so torrential at one point during the first half that the referee took the two teams off the field into the safety of the dressing rooms as a continuous sheet of water saturated Vale Park. After desperate measures by the Vale groundstaff the match resumed some 15 minutes later and although the remainder of the game resembled water polo, the Vale went on to complete a 1-0 victory, courtesy of John Woodward. This is one of only two occasions I can recall a game at Vale Park being halted due to the weather. The other occasion was the infamous home match against Aldershot in our promotion season of 1988-89 when a pea-souper of a fog descended on the ground with the Vale leading 3-1 with ten minutes remaining. Sadly, that day, the players did not return and the match was abandoned. However, justice was ensured when the Vale eventually ran out 3-0 winners when the game was replayed. Can any other fans recall any games in which the players left the field due to the weather (other than this season's friendly against Wimbledon)?

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AUGUST			
21 - Preston	A	3-3	O'Reilly, Mills, Cunningham
28 - Notts Co	H	4-1	Holwyn, Mills 2, Corden
SEPTEMBER			
5 - Middlesbrough	H	2-1	Mills, Walker
18 - Aston Villa	H	1-3	Cunningham
25 - Sunderland	A	2-3	Diaz (2)
OCTOBER			
3 - Wolves	H	1-1	Mills
8 - Sheff United	A	1-2	Mills
23 - Leicester	A	0-4	
NOVEMBER			
4 - Hednesford T. (Staffs Cup)	A	0-3	
6 - WBA	H	1-0	O'Reilly
13 - Blackpool	A	3-0	Mills (2), O'Reilly
27 - Huddersfield	A	0-1	
DECEMBER			
18 - Middlesbrough	A	1-4	Mills
JANUARY			
8 - Sunderland	H	P-P	
22 - Aston Villa	A	0-2	
15 - Notts County	A	P-P	
FEBRUARY			
5 - Leicester	H	2-0	
12 - Coventry City	H	0-1	
19 - WBA	A	P-P	
26 - Blackpool	H	P-P	
MARCH			
6 - W.B.A.	A	0-0	
11 - Coventry	A	2-2	Talbot, Ruscoe
19 - Huddersfield	H	2-1	
26 - Preston	H		
APRIL			
9 - Sunderland (7pm)	H		
16 - Sheff United	H		
21 - Blackpool	H		
28 - Wolves	A		

Youth Team Fixtures

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AUGUST			
10 - Lincoln	A	2-0	Boyd 2
17 - Mansfield	H	2-1	McShane, O'Callaghan
24 - Northampton	A	3-0	O'Callaghan, Taylor, OG
31 - Notts County	H	1-3	Williams
SEPTEMBER			
2 - Bootle (FAY)	A	1-0	Smolenski
6 - Peterborough	H	1-3	Commander
14 - Northampton (LC)	A	0-2	
19 - Nantwich (FAY)	A	2-1	Rochester, Commander
21 - Shrewsbury	A	6-1	O'Callaghan 3, Commander 2,OG.
28 - Stoke City	A	PP	
OCTOBER			
6 - Louth (FAY)	A	5-0	Boyd(3), O'Callaghan,McShane
19 - West Brom	H	2-0	Boyd, O'Callaghan
26 - Aston Villa	A	3-4	Williams, Boyd, Rochester
NOVEMBER			
2 - Birmingham	H	2-0	McShane, Williams
9 - Coventry	A	0-0	
12 - Aston Villa (Midland Youth Cup 3rd Rd)	(H)	1-1	McShane
26 - Aston Villa (Midland Y C 3rd Rd Rpl)	(A)	1-3	Williams
30 - Wolves	A	1-2	O'Callaghan
DECEMBER			
7 - Lincoln	H	1-0	A.Commander
14 - Mansfield	A	P-P	
17 - Blackburn R. (F.A. Youth Cup 2nd Rd.)		2-0	
21 - Northampton	H	2-3	Boyd S. (2)
JANUARY			
4 - Notts Co	A	P-P	
11 - Nottm Forest	H	P-P	
18 - West.Brom Albion (League Cup)	A	2-0	A.Commander, P.Taylor
25 - Shrewsbury	H	5-0	S.Williams(2),D.Rochester, 2og
31 - Stoke City (Friday 1pm)	H	2-1	J. Humphreys.
FEBRUARY			
6 - Stoke City	A	0-1	A. Commander
8 - Walsall	H	1-2	S. Williams
12- Notts Co (K.O. 1.00pm)	A		
15 - Aston Villa	H	1-2	S. Boyd
22 - Nottm Forest	A	2-0	
MARCH			
1 - Birmingham	A	1-2	Williams, O' Callaghan
8 - Coventry	H	0-1	
15 - Grimsby	H	1-1	Smolenski
17 - Nottm Forest	H	1-3	O'Callaghan
22 - West Brom	A		
29 - Leicester	A		
APRIL			
5 - Leicester	H		
12 - Wolves	H		
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26 - Derby	H		
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			Res	Att	1	2	3	4	5	6
AUGUST										
Sat 17th	**Bolton Wanderers**	**H**	1-1	10,057	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Bogie	Griffiths	Aspin
Tue 20th	Crewe Alex. Coca Cola Cup 1 (1)	**H**	1-0	5,236	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Bogie	Griffiths	Aspin
Sat 24th	Swindon Town	A	1-1	8,706	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Bogie	Griffiths	Aspin
Tue 27th	Tranmere Rovers	A	0-2	6,123	Van Heusden	Hill(12)	Tankard	Bogie(13)	Griffiths	Aspin
Sat 31st	**Oxford United**	**H**	2-0	6,016	Van Heusden	Aspin	Tankard(14)	Bogie	Griffiths	Glover
SEPTEMBER										
Tue 3rd	Crewe Alex.Coca Cola Cup 1 (2)		5-1	4,471	Van Heusden	Aspin	Tankard	**Bogie**	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 7th	Portsmouth	A	1-1	6,448	Van Heusden	Aspin	Stokes	Bogie	Griffiths(14)	Glover
Tue 10th	**Manchester City**	**H**	0-2	10,770	Van Heusden	Hill	Stokes(12)	Bogie	Aspin	Glover(14)
Sat 14th	**Grimsby Town**	**H**	1-1	4,892	Van Heusden	**Hill**	Tankard	Griffiths(13)	Aspin	McCarthy
Wed 18th	Carlisle Utd. Coca Cola Cup 2 (1)	H	1-0	3,505	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Bogie	Aspin	Glover
Sat 21st	Southend United	A	0-0	4,025	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Bogie(12)	Aspin	Glover
Wed 25th	Carlisle Utd. Coca Cola Cup 2 (2)	A	2-2	5,545	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Bogie(13)	Aspin	Glover
Sun 29th	**Bradford City**	**H**	1-1	4,706	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard(13)	Bogie(12)	Aspin	Glover
OCTOBER										
Wed 2nd	QPR	A	2-1	8,727	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Aspin	Glover
Sat 5th	Oldham Athletic	A	0-3	6,051	Van Heusden	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Aspin	Glover
Sat 12th	**Stoke City**	**H**	1-1	14,396	Van Heusden	Hill(12)	Bogie(14)	Walker	Aspin(13)	Porter
Wed 16th	**Crystal Palace**	**H**	0-2	4,522	Musselwhite	Hill	Talbot	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 19th	Wolverhampton Wanderers	A	1-0	22,755	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
Tue 22nd	Oxford United		0-0	4,942	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 26th	Huddersfield Town	A	1-0	11,017	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
Tue 29th	**Barnsley**	**H**	1-3	5,231	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard (14)	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
NOVEMBER										
Sat 2nd	**Birmingham City**	**H**	3-0	8,388	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
Tue 5th	Oxford United CCC 3 (2)	A	0-2	5,279	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 9th	West Bromwich Albion	A	1-1	13,975	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Janson	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 16th	F.A. Cup 1									
Sat 16th	**Sheffield United**	**H**	0-0	8,352	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Jansson(12)	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 23rd	Ipswich Town	A	1-2	9,491	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Jannson(13)	Griffiths	Glover
Wed 27th	Coca Cola Cup 4									
Sat30th	**Huddersfield Town**	**H**	0-0	6,026	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Walker	Griffiths	Glover
DECEMBER										
Sat 7th	F.A. Cup 2									
Sat 7th	Reading	A	1-0	6,445	Musselwhite	Aspin	Tankard	Jansson	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 14th	Charlton Athletic	A	3-1	10,003	Musselwhite	Aspin	Stokes	Jansson	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 21st	**Norwich City**	**H**	6-1	6,278	Musselwhite	Aspin	Tankard	**Talbot 2**	Griffiths	Glover
Thu 26th	Manchester City	A	1-0	30,344	Musselwhite	Aspin	Tankard	Jansson	Griffithds	Glover
Sat 28th	**Portsmouth**	**H**	0-2	7,382	Musselwhite	Aspin	Tankard	Talbot	Griffiths (12)	Glover
JANUARY										
Sat 4th	Blackburn Rovers F.A. Cup 3	A	0-1	19,891	Musselwhite	Aspin	Tankard	Jansson	Griffiths	Glover (14)
Wed 8th	Coca Cola Cup 5									
Sat 11th	Grimsby Town	A	1-1	3,863	Musselwhite	Aspin (14)	**Tankard**	Jansson	Griffiths	Glover
Sat 18th	**Queens Park Rangers**	**H**	4-4		Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	**Jansson 2**	Griffiths	**Glover**
Sat 25th	**Southend United**	**H**	2-1	5,588	Musselwhite	Holwyn	Tankard	Jansson	Hill	Glover
Tue 28th	Bradford City	A	0-1	15,186	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Jansson	Holwyn	Glover
FEBRUARY										
Sat 1st	**West Bromwich Albion**	**H**	2-2	8,093	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Bogie	Holwyn	Glover
Sat 8th	Barnsley	A	0-1	12,246	Musselwhite	Hill	Stokes	Walker	Holwyn	Aspin
Sat 15th	**Ipswich Town**	**H**	2-2	6,115	Musselwhite	Hill	Stokes	Bogie	Aspin	Glover
Sun 23nd	Birmingham City (K.O. 2.10pm)	A	1-2	13,192	Musselwhite	Hill	Stokes	Bogie	Aspin	**Glover**
MARCH										
Sat 1st	**Reading**	**H**	1-0	6,057	Musselwhite	Holwyn	Stokes	Bogie	Aspin	Glover
Tue 4th	Sheffield United	A	3-0	14,950	Musselwhite	Hill	Stokes	Bogie	Aspin	Glover
Sat 8th	Norwich City	A	1-1	16,101	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Bogie	Aspin	Glover
Sat 15th	**Charlton Athletic**	**H**	2-0	5,905	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	Bogie	Aspin	Glover
Tue 18th	Bolton Wanderers (K.O. 7.45pm)	A	2-4	14,150	Musselwhite	Hill	Tankard	**Bogie**	Aspin	Glover
Sat 22nd	**Swindon Town**	**H**								
Mon 31st	**Tranmere Rovers**	**H**								
APRIL										
Sat 5th	Oxford United	A								
Sat 12th	**Oldham Athletic**	**H**								
Sun 20th	Stoke City (K.O. 2.10pm)	A								
Sat26th	**Wolverhampton Wanderers**	**H**								
MAY										
Sun 4th	Crystal Palace	A								

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McCarthy	Porter	Foyle(14)	**Naylor**	Guppy	Mills(9)	Talbot	Musselwhite
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor(14)	Guppy	Glover	Walker	Foyle(10)
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot(14)	Naylor	Guppy	Glover	Walker	Foyle(9)
McCarthy	Porter	Foyle	**Naylor(14)**	Guppy	Glover	Walker	**Mills(10)**
McCarthy	Porter	**Foyle(12)**	**Naylor**	Guppy	**Mills(9)**	Musslewhite	Talbot(3)
McCarthy	**Porter**	Foyle	Mills	Guppy	Walker	Talbot	Hill
McCarthy	Porter	Mills(13)	Naylor	Guppy	Walker	Talbot	Griffiths
McCarthy	Porter	Foyle	Naylor	Guppy(14)	Walker	Talbot(5)	Mills(11)
McCarthy	Porter	Foyle	**Naylor(12)**	Guppy	Mills(10)	Musslewhite	Talbot
McCarthy	Porter	Foyle	Mills	Guppy	Talbot(4)	Walker	Corden
McCarthy	Porter	Foyle	**Mills**	Guppy(12)	Talbot(11)	Walker	Musslewhite
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor	**Guppy**	Walker	Talbot	Foyle
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot(12)	**Naylor(14)**	**Guppy**	Bogie	Mills	Foyle
McCarthy	Talbot	Foyle(14)	Naylor	Guppy	Bogie	Griffiths	Mills
McCarthy	Talbot	Griffiths	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle(2)	Glover(5)	**Mills(4)**
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor	Guppy	Tankard	Corden(7)	Foyle(9)
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle(10)	Stokes	Mills
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor	Guppy	Talbot	Van Heusden	Corden
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor (12)	Guppy	Foyle(10)	Holwyn	Mills
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor (12)	**Guppy**	Foyle(10)	Holwyn	Mills(3)
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	**Naylor**	**Guppy**	Foyle (4)	Stokes (6)	Corden
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor	Corden	Foyle (9)	Heusden	Talbot (11)
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor	**Guppy**	Foyle (10)	Mills	Walker
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor(14)	Guppy	Walker	Talbot	Foyle
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	**Naylor**	Guppy	Walker	Mills	Foyle
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle (9)	Talbot (4)	Aspin (2)
McCarthy	Porter	**Talbot**	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle (10)	Stokes (3)	Mills
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle	Mills	Walker
McCarthy	**Porter**	**Mills**	Naylor	Guppy	**Foyle 2 (10)**	Stokes	Janson (4)
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	**Foyle** (14)	Guppy	Walker	Stokes	Mills (10)
McCarthy	Porter	Foyle	Naylor	Guppy	Walker (5)	Stokes	Jansson
McCarthy	Porter	Stokes (12)	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle (9)	Van Heusden	Bogie (6)
McCarthy	Porter	Bogie (12)	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle (9)	Mills	Hill (2)
McCarthy	Porter	**Mills**	Naylor	Guppy	Bogie	Holwyn (5)	Corden
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle (9)	Stokes	Bogie (4)
McCarthy	Porter	Foyle	Bogie	Guppy	Naylor (6)	Stokes	Mills (10)
McCarthy	Porter	Mills	Naylor 2	Guppy	Foyle (9)	Stokes	Walker (4)
McCarthy	Porter	Bogie	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle (4)	Corden (11)	Mills (5)
McCarthy	**Porter (P)**	**Mills**	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle (10)	Talbot(4)	Koordes (11)
McCarthy	**Porter**	Talbot	Naylor	Guppy	Foyle	Mills	Walker
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	**Naylor**	Corden	Foyle (10)	Koordes (11)	Mills (9)
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor	Koordes	Foyle (10)	Corden (3)	Mills (9)
McCarthy	Porter	Talbot	Naylor	Koordes	Walker	Corden	Mills (10)
McCarthy	Porter	**Mills 2**	Naylor	Corden	Walker	Stokes	Koordes (11)
McCarthy	Porter	**Talbot**	Mills	Koordes	Walker (8)	Corden (11)	Naylor

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1	Paul Musselwhite	1	Fraser Digby
2	Andy Hill	2	Mark Robinson
3	Allen Tankard	3	Frederic Darras
4	Ian Bogle	4	Darren Bullock
5	Neil Aspin	5	Mark Seagraves
6	Dean Glover	6	Marlon Broomes
7	Jon McCarthy	7	Ian Culverhouse
8	Andy Porter	8	Steve Cowe
9	Stewart Talbot	9	Peter Thorne
10	Lee Mills	10	Wayne Allison
11	Roger Koordes	11	Alex Smith
12	Ray Walker	12	Steve Finney
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