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# Welcome to the County Ground

## Welcome to the County Ground for this evening's match with table-topping Huddersfield Town.

This game has been moved forward to avoid a clash with England's European Championship qualifier against Bulgaria, and it will be interesting to see whether Friday night football is attractive to supporters.

While everyone connected with the club would have wished for a winning start for Jimmy Quinn, it wasn't to be. However, Jimmy has had the opportunity to train with his new players all week and three points tonight against one of the Division's in-form sides would do very nicely.

With the focus being well and truly on managers at the moment, Huddersfield's Peter Jackson has done an excellent job in a relatively short space of time. Stuck deep in relegation trouble when Jackson, along with Terry Yorath, took over the reins, Huddersfield have gone from strength to

strength and, at the time of writing, are sitting pretty on top of the Division.

The spine of the side consists of Wayne Allison, Barry Horne and Dave Phillips, all experienced players that can hold their own in this League. And with exciting youngsters, such as Manchester United youth player Ben Thornley, there is no reason why they cannot maintain their current position.

It will obviously be tough tonight, but evening matches usually have a great atmosphere and it is vital that Swindon Town fans now get behind Jimmy and the team and play their part in helping us climb the table.

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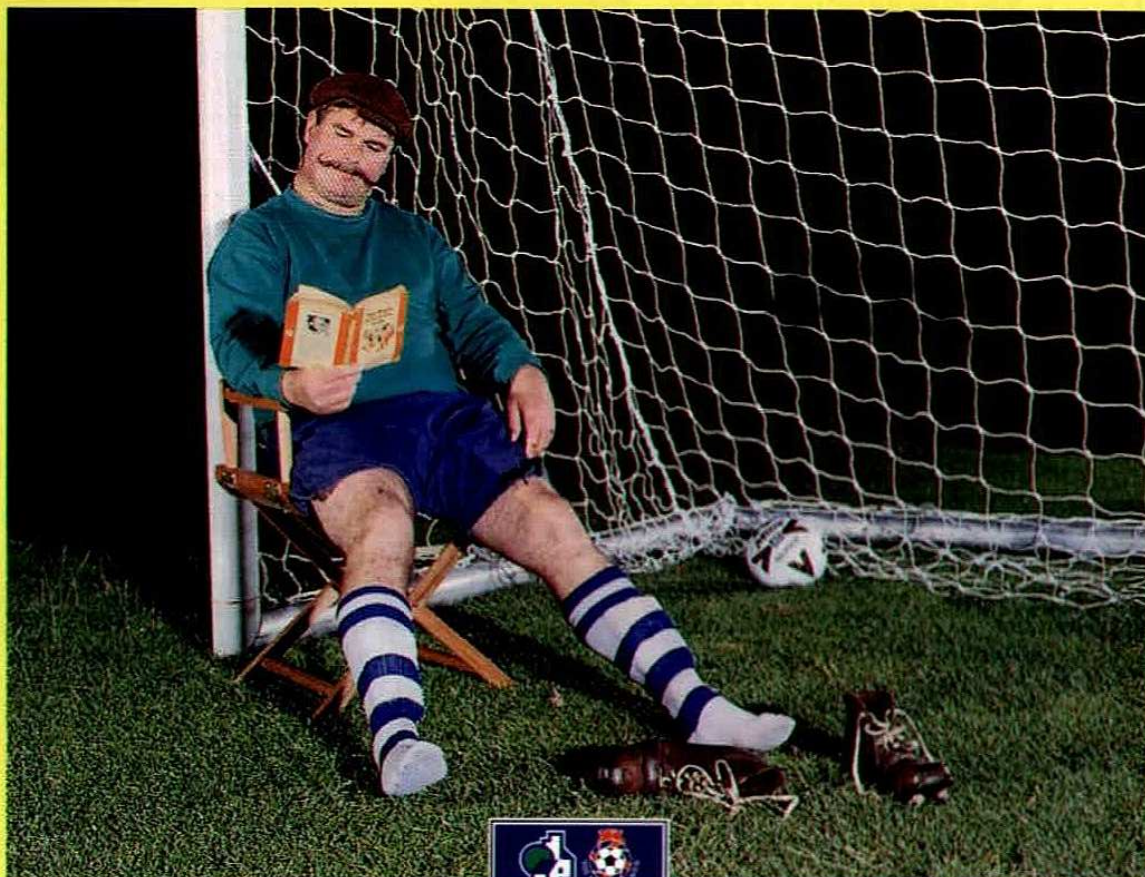
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# Jimmy QUINN

## gives his view...

Hello to everybody at the County Ground tonight for this tough game against Huddersfield.

Writing these notes for the Programme have given me a chance to reflect on a very busy week for my family and myself. I've hit the ground running at Swindon and I'm confident that with your support we can start the long climb up the table tonight.

another layer of cover behind it. Once you do this you start to become very hard to beat and will win the type of game we played last Saturday.

At the other end I thought George Ndah did well considering he was carrying a slight knock to the arm. I was particularly pleased with Iffy's performance. He held the ball up well and scored a good goal; he always looks like a threat to the opposition.

Something else I want to do is change the mentality a bit. We need to get the players more relaxed, whether defending or attacking. Any player will tell you that you play your best when you're not tense. This is the type of thing we're already working on in training and the lads response has been absolutely terrific.

**"It was wonderful to get the warm welcome I received before the Stockport game. I'm only sorry we couldn't return the favour with three points"**

Looking closer at our last game I wasn't too disheartened by what I saw. If we had defended better and kept a clean sheet we would have won 2-0 so that is what we've got to work on. I'm a big believer in working hard at what you're not good at and sooner or later the penny drops and you get better at defending.

And it is not about individual players not doing their job but the whole side defending as a unit. I just feel there are too many gaps at the back.

What we must do is have covering players that anticipate any mistakes that may take place. So if one man gets beat there is

One thing I can't fault is the spirit of the lads. They are all very relaxed, but are working hard and enjoying the sessions.

Tonight we face Huddersfield and I'd like to welcome the fans, officials and players of a club that is doing so well at the top of the League. I know their manager Peter Jackson from my Bradford days and Terry Yorath is a very experienced number two. They always produce a hard working side with a good balance of ball winners and flare players.

It will be a great game tonight. I'd rather be facing a good footballing side like Huddersfield rather than some team from the bottom that will just produce a scrappy game.

Finally, I'd like to thank you, the fans, once more for the welcome you've given me. It was a very emotional day last Saturday but now I can get on with the job of getting us back on track and we'll start with three points tonight.

### NEXT MATCH

Jimmy Quinn's view  
(AWAY)

**IPSWICH TOWN**  
**Sat 17th October 1998**



The next game sees  
ustake on  
Ipswich.  
Hopefully we can pick  
our first away win of  
the campaign.





# Tonight's visitors HUDDERSFIELD

This evening we welcome  
the players, supporters and staff  
of Huddersfield Town Football Club  
to the County Ground for this  
Nationwide League Division One game.  
We hope you all enjoy the game and have  
a safe journey home afterwards.



**Marcus Stewart**

As far as 'rags-to-riches' stories go, the last 12 months at the Alfred McAlpine Stadium look hard to beat. This time last year, the Terriers had yet to record their first win in the First Division and were firmly entrenched at the foot of the table, seemingly guaranteed relegation to Division Two.

But a year on, the management team of Peter Jackson and Terry Yorath are celebrating a remarkable turnaround in fortunes.

This evening they come to the County Ground as leaders of the First Division, unbeaten at home, although struggling with a less impressive away record. Their presence at the head of pile - above clubs such as Sunderland, Bolton and Birmingham City - gives hope to all 'smaller' clubs who fear that their chances of competing with the big boys may have gone forever.

Much of the reason for the Terriers' tenacious start to the current campaign lies with the tremendous goalscoring form of a front line duo of record-signing Marcus Stewart - a £1.2m capture from Bristol Rovers in 1996 - and former Swindon favourite Wayne Allison.

Between them the pair have already netted 13 League goals this season, and Stewart's pace and skill on the ball provides the perfect complement to Allison's power and strength.

The addition of the occasionally volatile former Manchester United winger Ben Thornley to their ranks during the summer - after a successful loan period last season - had added penetration down the flanks, while Belgian keeper Nico Vaesen had compensated for the loss of on-loan Steven Harper, who has returned to Newcastle after playing 24 games for the Terriers last term.

There's a wealth of experience running through the Huddersfield side, with captain Barry Horne enjoying the autumn of his career as very much the driving force in the midfield. Indeed, his displays so far this season have brought back memories of his halcyon days at Southampton and Everton.

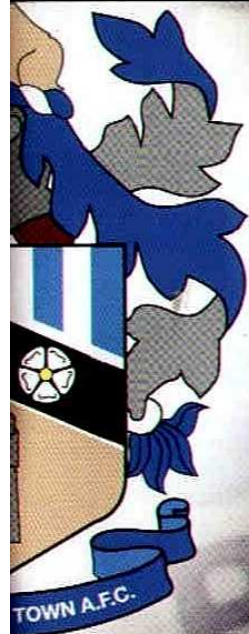
"What the gaffer and Terry Yorath have achieved here in the last 12 months is fantastic," explains Horne. "It's an honour to captain this side.

"The circumstances could not be more different to last season, but we are keeping our feet on the ground. We know we still have to work hard to prove ourselves."

With just one defeat and six victories in their last nine outings, Huddersfield certainly come to the County Ground tonight as a side very much in form. They warmed up for this evening's match with a comfortable 2-0 triumph over Oxford at their impressive Alfred McAlpine Stadium last Saturday, and they will be keen to keep their impressive start to the season going as Town battle to steady the ship under new boss Jimmy Quinn.

Peter Jackson marked his first year in charge at the McAlpine on Tuesday this week - he will be looking to celebrate with another three points this evening.





# The team

## HUDDERSFIELD

### STEVE FRANCIS

POSITION: **Goalkeeper**  
BORN: **29.05.64**  
AGE: **34**  
HEIGHT: **6ft 1in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Reading**

Now in his sixth campaign at Huddersfield, Steve has found himself in the unusual position of being second choice between the sticks this season at the Terriers have stormed up the League table. A former England Youth cap, he began with Chelsea and moved to Huddersfield from Reading for £150,000 in August 1993.

### NICO VAESSEN

POSITION: **Goalkeeper**  
BORN: **28.09.69**  
AGE: **29**  
HEIGHT: **6ft 3in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Eendracht Aalst**

Snapped up by Huddersfield boss Peter Jackson during the close season, Nico has firmly established himself as first choice at the McAlpine Stadium in 1998/99. Began with Tongeren and has also played for Cercle Brugge in his native Belgium.

### SAM COLLINS

POSITION: **Central Defender**  
BORN: **05.06.77**  
AGE: **21**  
HEIGHT: **6ft**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **None**

Ever-present this season, Sam has built on a good reputation earned in the Reserve and Youth sides at the McAlpine. Good in the air and on the ground, he recovered from knee ligament damage last season to turn down a loan move to Halifax and stay and fight for a first-team place with Huddersfield.

### JON DYSON

POSITION: **Defender**  
BORN: **18.12.71**  
AGE: **26**  
HEIGHT: **6ft 1in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **None**

Voted Town's 'Player of the Year' for last season, the versatile Dyson - he can play at full-back, in central defence or in midfield - enjoyed an outstanding campaign in 1997/98. Solid and consistent, this home-grown player rarely puts a foot wrong.

### DARREN EDMONDSON

POSITION: **Defender**  
BORN: **04.11.71**  
AGE: **26**  
HEIGHT: **6ft**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Carlisle**

A positive and hard-working defender, who endears himself to Huddersfield fan with his wholehearted approach, Darren has spent a chunk of the current campaign on loan at Plymouth. Signed in March 1997 for £200,000.

### KEVIN GRAY

POSITION: **Defender**  
BORN: **07.01.72**  
AGE: **26**  
HEIGHT: **6ft**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Mansfield T.**

The Players' Player of the Year last

season, Kevin's hard work and commitment to the cause make him invaluable for the Terriers. Captain at Mansfield while still a teenager, he moved to Huddersfield in July 1994 and has now fully recovered from a broken foot which curtailed the 1997/98 campaign for him.

### THOMAS HEARY

POSITION: **Defender**  
BORN: **14.02.79**  
AGE: **19**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 10in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **None**

A classy Irish youth international who can play out wide or in the centre of defence. Comfortable on the ball, he likes to push forward and is expected to press for a regular first-team place this season.

### STEVE JENKINS

POSITION: **Defender**  
BORN: **16.07.72**  
AGE: **26**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 11in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Swansea**

A right-sided player who has been converted from winger to full-back at Huddersfield, Steve is also a full Welsh international. Injury and suspensions restricted his appearances last season, but he finished the campaign as the Terriers' club captain.

### ANDY MORRISON

POSITION: **Central Defender**  
BORN: **30.07.70**  
AGE: **28**  
HEIGHT: **6ft 1in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Blackpool**

Tough-tackling Scot who cost the Terriers £500,000 when he signed





# The team HUDDERSFIELD

## ROB EDWARDS

POSITION: **Midfield**  
BORN: **23.02.70**  
AGE: **28**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 9in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Crewe**

from Blackpool in July 1996. A commanding figure, he missed almost the whole second half of last season after an injury sustained in the FA Cup against Wimbledon required surgery. Happily returned for the last game of 1997/98 and has been a regular again this time around.

## DAVID PHILLIPS

POSITION: **Utility**  
BORN: **29.07.63**  
AGE: **35**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 9in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Nott'm Forest**

Versatile midfielder or central defender who was snapped up on a free transfer in November 1997 and has recently signed a new 12-month contract with the club. A hard-working player, he began with Plymouth and also had spells with Man City, Coventry and Norwich prior to arriving at the City Ground. A Welsh international (62 caps), he is happy using both feet and is an excellent striker of the ball.

## MARCUS BROWNING

POSITION: **Midfield**  
BORN: **22.04.71**  
AGE: **27**  
HEIGHT: **6ft 1in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Bristol Rovers**

Another of Town's Welsh internationals, ball-winning midfielder Marcus struggled with injuries during 1997/98, with back, hamstring and groin problems all keeping him sidelined at different stages.

Originally signed by Huddersfield as a striker, Rob has filled in on the wing and at left-back for the Terriers. A £150,000 purchase in March 1996, he seems to be fully recovered from a summer groin operation and is ever-present this season.

## BARRY HORNE

POSITION: **Midfield**  
BORN: **18.05.62**  
AGE: **36**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 10in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Birmingham**

Yet another Welsh international currently turning it on at the McAlpine Stadium. The experienced Horne looked to be heading for retirement when Peter Jackson snapped him up on a free transfer in October 1997 - and now he's leading by example as captain of the division's top team. Hard-working and tough-tackling, he also distributes the ball well and is the driving force behind Huddersfield's success this term.

## CHRIS HURST

POSITION: **Midfield**  
BORN: **03.10.73**  
AGE: **25**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 9in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Emley**

A former postman who was plucked from non-League football for £30,000 in August 1997 and made a handful of senior appearances in his first season as a pro, before being loaned out to Conference club Halifax in October. Yet to figure in the first-team this season.

## WAYNE ALLISON

POSITION: **Forward**  
BORN: **16.10.68**  
AGE: **29**  
HEIGHT: **6ft 1in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Swindon Town**

Ever-present for Swindon last season before moving 'home' for a fee of £800,000 in November 1997. A big, strong target man who holds the ball up well, he forms a lethal attacking partnership with Marcus Stewart and has six goals to his credit already this season. Always willing to track back and make tackles, he is a real handful.

## GRANT JOHNSON

POSITION: **Midfield**  
BORN: **24.03.72**  
AGE: **26**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 10in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Dundee United**

A £90,000 bargain by in November 1997, this Scottish U21 international has become an integral part of Peter Jackson's line-up. A hard-working battler who loves to push forward, he has proved to be a sound acquisition.

## BEN THORNLEY

POSITION: **Forward**  
BORN: **21.04.75**  
AGE: **23**  
HEIGHT: **5ft 7in**  
PREVIOUS CLUB: **Man United**

Moved to the McAlpine permanently during the summer for an initial fee of £175,000. Made his full debut in the Premiership against Crystal Palace last season, and has already established himself as a key member of the Terriers' side in 1998/99.

**Other Squad Members:** Paul Cuss, Tom Cowan, Ryan Crossley, Sean Hessey, Paul Scott, Ian Lawson, Delroy Facey, Marcus Stewart, Paul Dalton, David Beresford, Paul Barnes, Lee Richardson.



# The manager PETER JACKSON

**Together with experienced first-team coach Terry Yorath, Peter Jackson engineered a remarkable escape from the relegation zone at the Alfred McAlpine Stadium last season - and has presided over the club's surge to the top of the pile this time around.**

Jackson - a former club captain for the Terriers - took over the managerial reins from Brian Horton on 7th October 1997 and, although he suffered a shaky start with four defeats and a draw in his first five games, he quickly set about plugging the holes in a Huddersfield ship that looked to be going down quicker than the Titanic.

His first move was to snap up the experienced Welsh international Barry Horne on a free transfer from Birmingham, and the turnaround in fortunes proved a thrilling time at the McAlpine as the Terriers rose to an eventual finishing position of 16th.

Huddersfield's impressive form, both at the end of last season and the beginning of the current campaign, has also seen Jackson prove his credentials in the manager's chair.

The Huddersfield job is 37-year-

old Jackson's first managerial position, following a League career which spanned 18 years and almost 800 senior appearances with clubs that include Bradford City, Newcastle United, Huddersfield Town, Chester City and Halifax Town.

He began with Bradford back in March 1979 - with whom he won the 1985 Division Three title - and one of the high points of his career was leading out the Huddersfield side which lost the 1994 Autoglass Trophy Final to Swansea City on penalties.

After leaving Huddersfield on a free transfer in September 1994 he moved on to Chester, where he played more than 100 senior games before dropping out of League football for a stint at Halifax, who he helped to the Vauxhall Conference Championship.

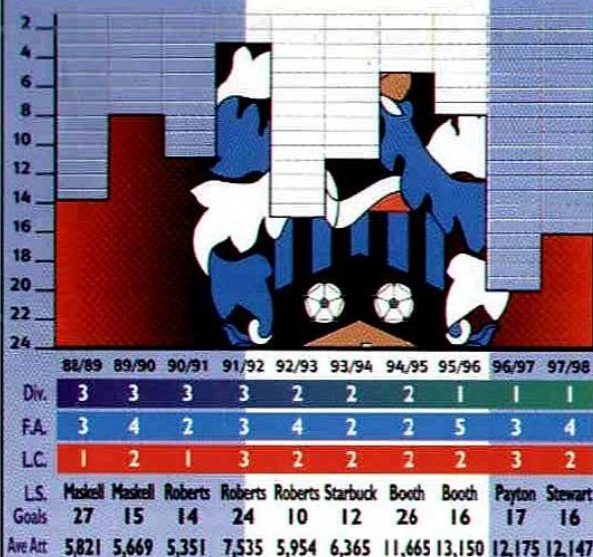
Jackson's playing days finally came to an end in a reserve team game for Huddersfield last season, when 5,000 fans turned out to see him score a penalty in a 5-1 win over West Bromwich Albion.

He brings his side to the County Ground this evening as leaders of the First Division - and that in itself is a tremendous achievement at a club where, like many outside the top flight, every penny has to be accounted for.





## Huddersfield Town's last ten years - the full record



## When Huddersfield have scored goals... and conceded them



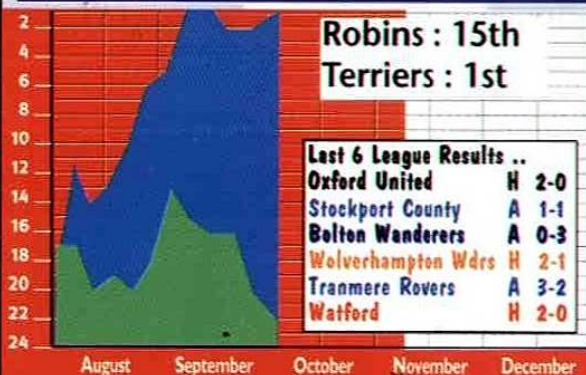
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Edwards ...1  
Stewart ...1  
Thornley ...1  
Vasey ...1

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Kerlake ...2  
Leitch ...2  
Miah ...2  
Borrows ...1  
Davis ...1  
Gooden ...1  
Halbert ...1

## League Positions throughout the season



**Last 6 League Results ..**  
Oxford United H 2-0  
Stockport County A 1-1  
Bolton Wanderers A 0-3  
Wolverhampton Wdrs H 2-1  
Tranmere Rovers A 3-2  
Watford H 2-0

## When Swindon have scored goals... and conceded them



## Who's played for Huddersfield this season...

Player	Pos	Lge	Lge	Age	Ht	Weight	Prev. Club	Int.
		Apps	Gl					
Wayne Allison	F	12	6	29	6'00	14'00	Swindon	
Sam Collins	D	12		21	6'1	14'03		
Rob Edwards	F	12		28	5'8	11'11	Crewe	
Barry Horne	M	12	1	36	5'8	12'00	Birmingham	Wales
Grant Johnson	M	12		26	5'8	10'09	Dundee Utd	Scot U21
Ben Thornley	F	12	1	23	5'9	11'07	Man Utd	Eng U21
Steve Jenkins	D	11		26	5'11	12'04	Swansea	Wales
Marcus Stewart	F	11	7	25	5'10	11'00	Bristol Rovers	Eng Sch
Nico Vasey	G	11		29	6'3	13'00	Eendracht Aalst	
Andy Morrison	D	8		28	5'11	15'06	Blackpool	
Kevin Gray	D	5(5)		26	5'11	13'12	Mansfield	
Paul Dalton	M	5(2)	3	31	6'0	12'07	Plymouth	
Lee Richardson	M	4(1)		29	5'11	11'00	Oldham	
Marcus Browning	M	2(2)		27	6'0	12'08	Bristol Rovers	Wales
Paul Barnes	F	1(3)		30	5'11	13'05	Burnley	
Steve Francis	G	1		34	6'0	13'12	Reading	Eng Yth
Sean Hessey	D	1		20	5'10	12'06	Leeds	
Jon Dyson	D	(2)		26	6'0	12'07		
David Beresford	F	(1)		21	5'6	10'07	Oldham	Eng Yth
Delroy Facey	F	(1)		18	5'11	13'07		
David Phillips	D	(1)		35	5'9	12'03	Forest	Wales

## How The Terriers have scored goals... and conceded them



## Robins v Terriers

FORM GUIDE	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	Sequence
Swindon Town	1	1	4	10	15	4	LLDLLW
Huddersfield Town	4	1	1	10	7	13	WDLWW

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## How Swindon have scored goals... and conceded them





# PAGES from the past...

## ERIC LANE WRITES, NOVEMBER 1972...

So much has happened since the 2-2 draw with Brighton & Hove Albion in our last match here at the County Ground.

Firstly, financial circumstances have led us to accept an offer of £150,000 for Don Rogers from Bert Head, the Crystal Palace manager. Don is a great player and he deserves the chance to show his skills at the highest level. We wish him well. A loan of £100,000 was on offer from the Council but loans have to be repaid and we felt we needed to cut the debt which is building up. The gate at three of our last four fixtures has been under 10,000 and economies have to be made.

Then followed the departure of our manager, Dave Mackay. Many people have said this was because of our failure to back him financially. This is simply not true. Dave said he resigned for personal reasons and we suspected an ulterior motive. This proved to be the case when he accepted the job of manager of Nottingham Forest.

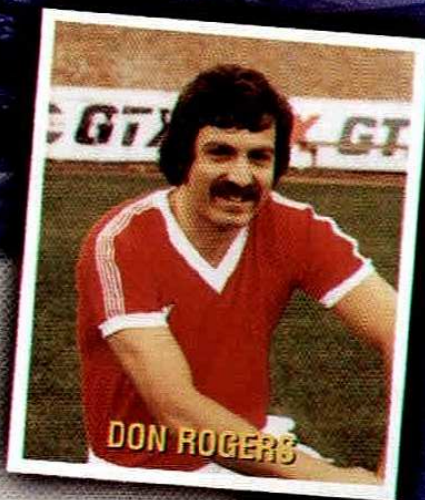
Many supporters are bitterly aggrieved at the sale of Don Rogers and the way in which Dave Mackay departed. It should be remembered though that no one man, be he player, manager, or, dare I say, even Chairman, is bigger than the Club. Tradition is a great force in football. Older supporters of Huddersfield, today's visitors, will remember their great side which won the Championship three times in a row. The fact that they have fallen on hard times and are now half way down the Second Division will not stop the true fans from getting behind Ian Greaves and his boys today.

Looking to the future supporters who travelled to Luton must have noticed the wonderful spirit and determination of our lads despite the upheavals of recent weeks. Although several of the players were carrying slight injuries, they turned in a great performance to give us our first away win of the season. The only goal came from Steve Peplow's dribble down the wing, a cross which was converted by Ray Treacy's header. A real old-fashioned English goal - even if it was scored by an Irishman. Luton threw everything at us in the last ten minutes but the defence, in which Frank Burrows and Rod Thomas

were outstanding, held out. Today sees Les Allen, our former Chief Scout, take over the manager's chair. He has a wealth of

experience of the top level of soccer from his days with Tottenham and has already shown an ability to spot a good youngster. The Board hope the signing of Tommy Jenkins will convince some doubters among the fans that the Board are committed to success. We would not have spent money building the new stand if we were not convinced that one day we would be hosting visits from Manchester United and Liverpool and could fill it.

One way to help the Club and help yourselves is to book tickets for London shows through our Box Office. *Oh Calcutta*, *Pyjama Tops* and *Godspell* are just three of the shows for which you can book at the County Ground.



### Quiz question:

Which former Huddersfield striker helped Swindon out on the coaching side during their last season in the Premiership?

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### Last game's question

Swindon's leading League scorer in the 1973/74 season scored only 8 League goals for the Town. Who was he?

### Answer...

Peter Eastoe

compiled by Dick Mattick



# MIKE WALSH'S

## weekly diary... Sept - Oct

### Monday 28th

After only a few days' rest to recover from Friday's tough fixture with Tranmere we face promotion favourites Bolton Wanderers tomorrow.

All we have time for today is a quick 'stretch and run' session followed by some games of five-a-side. The lads looked sharp and ready for battle - they will need to be in 24 hours.

The rest of the afternoon was taken up by the long trip to Bolton. All the players have different ways of passing the time on the coach. Some read, some play cards, unfortunately most listen to annoying dance music at the back of the coach. The thump of the beat seems to double the length of the journey - whatever happened to decent music!

### Tuesday 29th

We spent the morning going for a light walk to stretch the legs, then in the afternoon it was 'feet up' and 'tea and toast' before the big game.

It is only when you travel up to the magnificent Reebok Stadium that you realise how far some clubs have come and how far some clubs have yet to travel. Their facilities are superb. If Swindon get to the stage of designing a new stadium we could do a lot worse than modelling it on Bolton's impressive structure.

Maybe it was the stadium, but I felt we gave Bolton a bit too much respect during the opening half an hour. They didn't look too clever going forward whilst we were looking creative in attack. What we did lack was Ify and George. With injury problems effecting a number of our forwards we had to play Cuervo as a striker. Philippe battled well but wasn't used to that position.

In the second half Bolton looked a strong side and began to

get their game together. Now we were limited to counter attacks but I still felt we looked quite good. Although we lost 2-1 we took Bolton right to the wire and showed we can mix it with the best in the league.

### Wednesday 30th

After a hard-working display we gave the first team the day off while the injured were in for treatment.

In the evening I watched the reserves play in a tough encounter with Gillingham. Although we lost the game 2-1 I felt some of the youth players showed promise.

### Thursday 1st

The lads were back in training today.

We took them out to the County Ground extension and worked on crosses, defending and finishing. We kept the session quick and always changing to keep the players sharp and on their toes.

### Friday 2nd

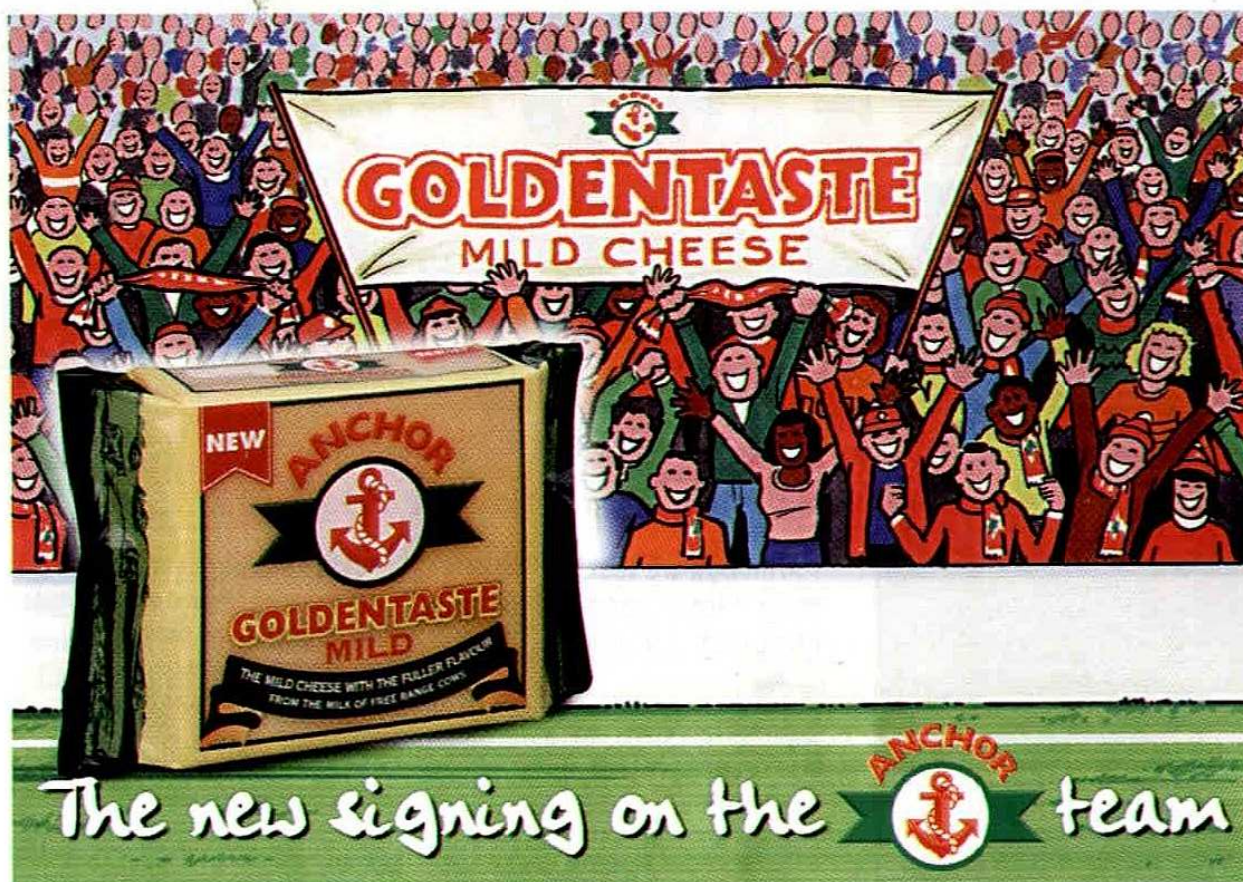
Another big day in Swindon's history today as Town favourite Jimmy Quinn returned to the County Ground as the new manager.

After spending the morning conducting a press conference and interviews it was nice to get out on the training pitch a few hours later. We played a game of seven against seven with a few players rotating on and off so the new gaffer could have a look at the players in the squad. The gaffer also used the time to pull players aside and get to know them, so it was a worthwhile session. After this it was shower, pasta and chicken then home to relax for the following day's game against Stockport.



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# RESERVE TEAM ROUND-UP

## FIXTURES 98/99

### Avon Insurance Combination League Div 1

Wed Aug 19	Barnet	5-1
Wed Aug 26	FULHAM	1-4
Wed SEPT 02	Q.P.R.	5-0
Wed SEPT 16	Wycombe W.	P-P
Wed SEPT 23	LUTON TOWN	0-1
Wed SEPT 30	GILLINGHAM	1-2
Wed Oct 07	Watford	A
Wed OCT 14	OXFORD UTD	N
Wed OCT 28	PETERBOROUGH U.	N
Mon Nov 02	Northampton T.	A
Wed NOV 18	BRIGHTON & H.A.	N
Wed Nov 25	Cambridge Utd	A
Wed DEC 02	READING	N
Wed Dec 16	Portsmouth	A
Wed Jan 06	Crystal Palace	A
Wed JAN 13	BRENTFORD	N
Wed Jan 20	Ipswich Town	A
Wed FEB 03	NORWICH CITY	N
Wed Feb 10	Colchester Utd	A
Wed FEB 24	WEST HAM UTD	N
Wed Mar 10	Tottenham H.	A
Wed MAR 17	ARSENAL	N
Wed Mar 24	Charlton Ath.	A
Wed MAR 31	CHELSEA	N
Wed Apr 07	Wimbledon	A
Wed APR 14	SOUTHAMPTON	N
Wed Apr 21	A.F.C. Bournemouth	A

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## LEAGUE 98/99

### Avon Insurance Combination League Div 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Charlton Athletic	6	5	1	0	13	3	16	+10
Southampton	6	4	1	1	18	4	13	+14
Luton Town	6	4	1	1	14	8	13	+06
Bournemouth	6	4	1	1	11	7	13	+04
Watford	5	4	0	1	15	3	12	+12
Peterborough	6	4	0	2	13	10	12	+03
Q.P.R.	5	3	2	0	11	2	11	+09
Arsenal	5	3	1	1	11	4	10	+07
Portsmouth	6	3	1	2	11	8	10	+03
Fulham	4	2	2	0	7	2	8	+05
Crystal Palace	7	2	2	3	16	16	8	00
Brighton & H.A.	6	2	2	2	7	12	8	+05
Millwall	4	2	1	1	8	5	7	+03
Norwich City	5	2	1	2	4	7	00	00
Chelsea	6	2	1	3	8	10	7	-02
Cambridge	5	2	1	2	5	10	7	-05
Wimbledon	5	1	3	1	6	7	6	-01
Ipswich Town	6	1	3	2	6	8	5	-02
Northampton	5	1	2	2	3	4	5	-01
Reading	6	1	2	3	7	13	5	-06
Barnet	6	1	2	3	10	20	5	-10
West Ham United	4	1	1	2	6	6	4	00
Brentford	4	1	1	2	6	8	4	-02
Gillingham	6	1	1	4	4	12	4	-08
Colchester	7	1	1	5	4	16	4	-12
Oxford United	5	1	0	4	6	10	3	-04
Tottenham T.	4	1	0	3	2	7	3	-05
SWINDON TOWN	5	1	0	4	7	13	3	-06
Wycombe	5	1	0	4	5	12	3	-07



## Alan McDonald Reports: Wednesday 30th September 1998 **SWINDON TOWN 1 GILLINGHAM 2**

Although we lost 2-1 there were a lot of positives to draw from the game.

Much of our side was made up of YT players so with that in mind it was good to see us dominate large parts of the encounter.

The highlight of the game was the debut performance from James Williams at the back. He is only a first year YT but was one of the best players on the pitch. He showed good defensive ability and some quality distribution from the back.

We began well with Gillingham not really getting into the game. We worked forward well and deserved the lead when it came. A deep corner was lashed in and fired back across by Nicky Burke; there was a bit of a scramble and Bobby Howe swept it in.

This was a good start against an experienced side that included the likes of Jason Dozzell and Paul Mason who has played Tottenham and Aberdeen. These men have played at the top of the tree, so to go one up was a fine start.

We knew their players would get a rollicking at half time and come out firing on all cylinders, so we had to match them. However, we lost control after the break as Gillingham came at us.

It was disappointing to see us concede two sloppy goals and give the points away because the boys didn't deserve to lose. After the two goals we lost it in midfield and when you lose the lead so quickly it is always hard to get it back.

Swindon stood up well to the attacks of the opposition and defended with purpose but there just wasn't enough happening in their half as the minutes ticked away.

Overall, there was plenty of good football played with both Williams and Campagna coming away from the game with credit.

**TEAM:** Glass, McHugh, Donlon, Williams, Campagna, Taylor, Watson, McAreavey, Burke, Howe (Mildenhall, 45), Hulbert.  
**Subs not used:** Culbertson, Mills.

## NEXT HOME MATCH

Wednesday 14th  
October 1998

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# YOUTH TEAM REVIEW



**Tom Jones Reports:**

**Saturday 19th September 1998**

**SWINDON YOUTH 2  
WYCOMBE YOUTH 1**

We met Wycombe at the Nationwide ground in what I would call good football conditions with a bit of moisture on the surface that meant the ball flew around at high speeds.

Unfortunately we didn't start very quickly as Wanderers went 1-0 up. It was a particularly disappointing goal to concede because we've been working hard on closing down the play in midfield and we just didn't do it.

They hit a long ball from midfield and their centre forward stuck it away. From here it is always be tough to come back. I always tell the lads it is important how you start a game and we didn't do ourselves justice in the opening quarter of an hour.

In fairness once we went one down the lads pulled themselves together and got organised and for the rest of the game there was only our side in it.

We've had chances galore with Jason Donlon hitting the cross bar with a good long-range effort after about 30 minutes. Minutes later we hit the post and it was clear we could still take the points.

At half time I didn't make any changes and after the break we continued to be the dominant force, but the goal wouldn't come. So I decided to throw on youngster Alan Young, who is only an under 16.

Yet straight after the swap we let in a sloppy goal. The defence had let a runner get inside them and we found ourselves 2-0 down. It was a real blow as we looked much the better side; it was just a silly misjudgement that cost us.

Yet we still pressed the opposition and

passed the ball well. Then out of nothing it was super sub Alan Young who created a goal out of nothing. He's dummied the centre half, turned well and he's lashed it in from just inside the box. It was great to see the young prospect come on, look lively and bag a good goal. We shouldn't forget that he is playing three years above himself.

After getting it back to 2-1 it was all out pressure from us and we pushed hard with a number of chances and a goal mouth scramble but we couldn't level the score.

Overall a pleasing performance with a few moments of bad defending that have cost us dearly. Good performances from James Williams, Sam Campagna and Alan Young.

**TEAM:** Bittner, Anderson, Donlon, Williams, Campagna, Ratcliffe (Kitchen, 75), Mills, McHugh (Little, 85), Burke, Jeffery (Young, 55), McAreavey.

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**South East Counties  
NEXT HOME MATCH**

**Saturday 10th  
October 1998**

**LEYTON ORIENT**

**Kick-Off 11.00am**

## FIXTURES 98/99

### South East Counties League Division 2

Sat Aug 08	Barnet	0-1
SAT AUG 15	BRENTFORD	2-0
Sat Aug 22	AFC Bournemouth	2-0
WED AUG 29	BRIGHTON & H.A.	1-0
Sat Sep 05	Bristol Rovers	1-1
SAT SEP 12	OXFORD UNITED	0-0
Sat Sep 19	Reading	2-2
SAT SEP 26	WYCOMBE W.	1-2
Sat Oct 03	Gillingham	4-0
SAT OCT 10	LEYTON ORIENT	H
Sat Oct 17	Portsmouth	A
SAT OCT 24	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	H
Sat Oct 31	Colchester United	A
SAT NOV 07	LUTON TOWN	H
Sat Nov 14	Southend United	A
Sat Nov 21	Brentford	A
SAT NOV 28	BOURNEMOUTH	H
SAT DEC 05	SOUTHEND UNITED	H
SAT DEC 12	BARNET	H
Sat Jan 02	Brighton & H.A.	A
SAT JAN 09	BRISTOL ROVERS	H
Sat Jan 16	Oxford United	A
SAT JAN 23	READING	H
Sat Jan 30	Wycombe Wndrs.	A
SAT FEB 06	GILLINGHAM	H
Sat Feb 13	leyton Orient	A
SAT FEB 20	PORTSMOUTH	H
Sat Feb 27	Cambridge United	A
SAT MAR 06	COLCHESTER UNITED	H
Sat Mar 13	Luton Town	A

Home fixtures kick-off at 11.00am at the Nationwide Pavilion, Pipers Way - Kick-Off times are subject to change without prior warning.

## FIXTURES 98/99

### SWEB South West Counties Youth League

Aug 22	Cirencester Town	2-0
AUG 28	CHELSEA TOWN	2-0
Sept 05	Plymouth Argyle	6-1
SEPT 12	EXETER CITY	1-4
Sept 19	AFC Newport	2-0
SEPT 26	YEovil TOWN	5-1
Oct 03	League Cup - Round 1	0-2
Oct 17	Torquay United	A
OCT 24	BATH CITY	H
Oct 31	Swansea City	A
NOV 07	BASHLEY	H
Nov 14	Bristol Rovers	A
Nov 21	League Cup - Round 2	
NOV 28	CARDIFF CITY	H
Dec 05	Cardiff City	A
DEC 12	CIRENCESTER TOWN	H
Dec 19	Cheltenham Town	A
JAN 09	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	H
Jan 16	Exeter City	A
JAN 23	AFC NEWPORT	H
Jan 30	Yeovil Town	A
FEB 13	TORQUAY UNITED	H
Feb 20	Bath City	A
FEB 27	SWANSEA CITY	H
Mar 06	Bashley	A
MAR 13	BRISTOL ROVERS	H
Mar 20	League Cup - Semi Finals	
Mar 27	League Cup - Final	

Home fixtures kick-off at 11.00am - and Wednesday fixtures kick-off at 2.00pm. At Allied Dunbar Centre or the BR Ground - Kick-Off times are subject to change without prior warning.



# STFC CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE



Last weekend our under 14's travelled to Hereford Centre of Excellence whilst we entertained their under 15's at Swindon.

I myself watched the under 15's play against a very physical Hereford side. The lads worked hard and played some good positive football. It is always great to see youngsters passing the ball about and being creative.

Centre's games can be very physical so our boys need to equip themselves properly. There was plenty of tough tackling and shoulder-to-shoulder action during the game that meant it was a real test for the lads.

Over the last few weeks we have been working hard to make sure that our players have a good standard of strength when in game situations.

## WITH PHIL CANNON

We do everything possible to ensure that we develop the players in terms of technique and ability but they still have to be prepared for the physical side.

By this we don't encourage a 'battle' because discipline on the pitch is also a very important aspect of the game.



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Also on Sunday we held trials from some under 13's boys. We mixed our own players in with them to make it more comfortable for the boys. It also gave us a chance to show them the standards required to be selected for Swindon Town Football Club.

It was a good exercise for me to see the differing levels of skill amongst the players - there are plenty of good signs for the future.

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# shadow board



This week I would like to take the opportunity to advertise the following forthcoming events.

#### Satellite Supporters Group, Oxford

We are looking to start a Supporters Satellite group in the OX postcode region. This includes Didcot, Wantage, Abingdon, Witney and Oxford.

There are supporters of football all over the world. If we can start to reach those outside of the local area, it is taking a step in the right direction. As Swindon supporters it is important we can help each other and band together. It would be great to see some of the long distance fans meet up and discuss the club we all love.

Many are surprised by the number of supporters that travel into Swindon to watch the games. These loyal fans deserve a voice just as much as those who walk to the County Ground.

If you are interested please try and attend our first meeting which will be held at the Henney Royal British Legion Club on Tuesday 27th October at 7.45 p.m.

If you require further details please contact Roger Bunce on 01865 820499.

For further details please contact Nigel Bennett on 01747 840721

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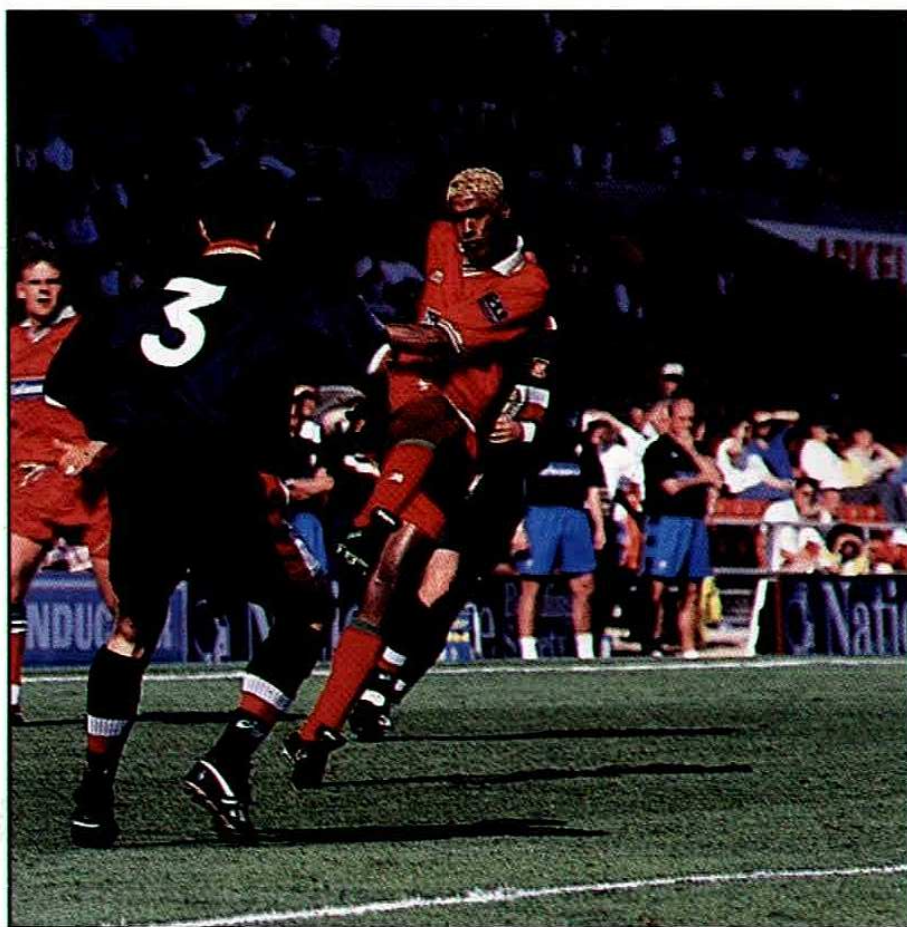
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# SOCCER CENTRES WITH JIMMY FRASER



**Hello kids and thanks to all of you for supporting the Soccer Centres so far this season.**

I'm now happy to say the numbers have gone up for the 5-10 year olds. But, we are below the expected numbers for the 11-16 age group, so all you older Robins who want to enjoy some football should make your way to the Oasis on Monday nights from 5pm to 6pm. The price is only £2.00 a session.

For those of you kids who are from the



**SWINDON**  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Haydon Wick area please take note. I have had a meeting with the Swindon Borough Council this week and hopefully your Soccer Centre at the Haydon Centre will be opening soon. If you want any further information on any of the above you can call me at the club on 01793 644777.

In the meantime enjoy tonight's game against Huddersfield.



**SWINDON TOWN  
SOCCER CENTRES**

Don't forget, if you are a Junior Robin there are special sessions on Monday at the Oasis.

## Venues (SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER)

### LINK CENTRE

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

### OASIS

Monday	4.30-5.30pm	Junior Robins
	5.00-6.00pm	Junior Robins
Wednesday	5.00-6.00pm	7+ yrs Girls only
Saturday	9.00-10.00am	5-8 years
	10.00-11.00am	5-8 years

### RIDGEWAY LEISURE CENTRE

Wednesday	5.00-6.00pm	5-7 years
	6.00-7.00pm	8-11 years

### STRATTON

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

### MARLBOROUGH

Wednesday	3.30-4.30pm	5 yrs and over
	4.00-5.00pm	5-11 years
	5.00-6.00pm	11-16 years

### HIGHWORTH

Tuesday	4.00-5.00pm	5-6 years
	5.00-6.00pm	7-8 years
Thursday	5.00-6.00pm	9+ years

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

Good evening everybody!

Jon and I would firstly like to extend a warm welcome to all Huddersfield players and fans today, especially their big forward Wayne Allison.

He was a big favourite here at the Town and was always on hand to meet the kids.

Firstly, we would like to extend our apologies to the last Saturday team club visitors, John Sopp and his 11's from Whickham Wanderers, plus Whiteshill School and Whiteshill Football Club with Steve Arman and Dave Halbrow. We were unable to get their details in the programme, but they had a great day all the same and enjoyed the added bonus of having their teams announced on the day.

We would like to welcome Sue Thomas and her group of over twenty pupils from Crodys Hill School. Today's visit for them is the icing on the cake after their seven-week coaching programme, which has been run at the school by Luke Sharps. Luke has commented that the children have done very well and have shown great improvement during the course.

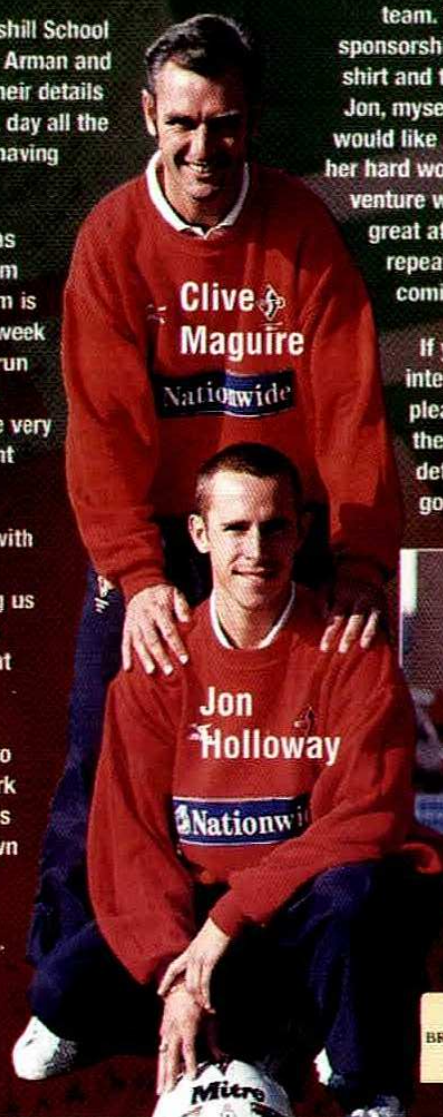
Jon and I have been extremely busy with our after-school clubs in Swindon and surrounding areas, which is now seeing us coach in the region of 200+ youngsters every week. Our coaching programme at Leafy Lane, Corsham, on Monday afternoons have proved to be a great success and we would personally like to thank Tony Harrison for all his hard work and support in enabling us to set up this coaching programme. The facilities down there when they are completed will be second to none in the area and they

certainly have benefited by accessing the lottery grant system.

Earlier today we held a penalty shoot-out competition at Wroughton Junior School. After the World Cup we need as many good penalty takers as we can find, and over 100 kids showed up to try their skills against none other than Swindon Town's Funky Fledgling.

This was a sponsored event where the children took 10 penalties against a goalkeeper chosen by the STFC Community Office. The winning boy and girl received a signed football from the first team. The person who collected the most sponsorship money received a signed first team shirt and this will be presented in assembly by Jon, myself and a first team player. Jon and I would like to sincerely thank Leigh Woolard for all her hard work and commitment in setting up this venture with us and Wroughton School. It was a great afternoon of fun which we hope to repeat at other schools over the coming weeks.

If you think your school may be interested in taking part in the project please don't hesitate in contacting us on the above telephone number for further details. Until next time keep cheering and good luck.



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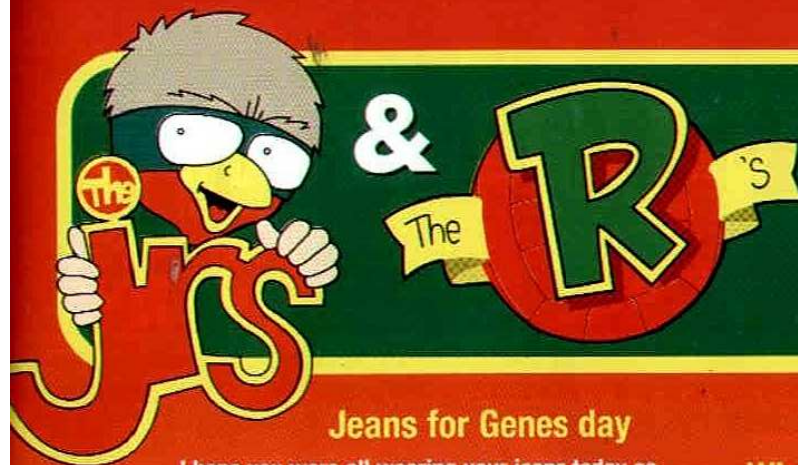
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## Jeans for Genes day

I hope you were all wearing your jeans today as it's 'Jeans for Genes' day. We all took part here at the County Ground, staff and players, and raised a bit of money for the Great Ormond Street Hospital Children's Charity (look out for the photo in the next programme).

## Radio Robin

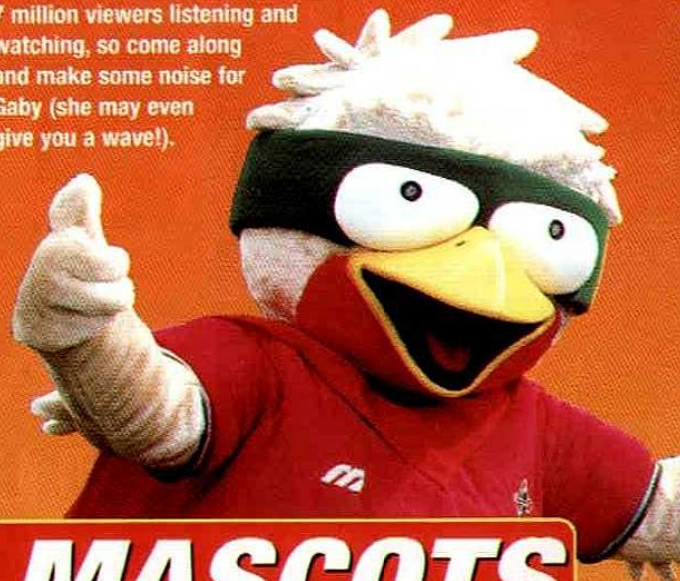
Today we have a couple of presentations for you pitchside. If you think back to 6.30pm last Friday, it was Radio Robin live on air and Shaun Hoddgets and I called up a couple of unsuspecting R's to give us a rendition of either 'Singing out for Swindon' or 'The Mighty Quinn' if they could remember it!

Firstly we called Stephen Gee from Calne in Wiltshire and he got his dad to whistle the first few bars of 'The Mighty Quinn' (well that's what Dads are for isn't it?) and then we called Michelle Maull from Swindon and she hummed 'Singing out for Swindon' - we have some budding stars in our junior membership. They will be presented with special football books, kindly donated by Wiltshire Sound, by their favourite players Frank Talia and Jimmy Glass.

You too could be a winner. All you have to do is listen in and sing to BBC Wiltshire Sound, on the first Friday of every month

## Whatever you Want

The West Brom game is a match not to be missed, not only for the Football but for this game's half-time entertainment. We have the team from 'Whatever you want' doing a 'Wherever you want' on the County Ground pitch mid game. Gaby Roslin will be here to referee the fun as six couples battle it out to reach the next round. When this goes out on prime time telly, there will be around 7 million viewers listening and watching, so come along and make some noise for Gaby (she may even give you a wave!).



# MATCHDAY MASCOTS



Today we have the pleasure in welcoming a very special mascot for this evening, **LEWIS QUINN** as Swindon Town's Matchday Mascot.

Lewis is 10 years old and attends St. Sampsons Junior School. His hobbies are

Football, Squash, hockey and golf and Lewis's favourite player is Mark Walters. On behalf of the Jr's and R's and all of us here at the County Ground I would like to welcome Lewis and Sam to Swindon Town.



## Huddersfield Mascots.

**CRAIG SMITH** is 14 years old and attends South Molton Community College in North Devon. His hobbies are playing football, watching Huddersfield and collecting model cars. Craig's favourite player is Wayne Allison.

**CHRISTOPHER SMITH** is 13 years old and also attends South Molton Community College. He enjoys his football, watching Huddersfield and cooking. Christopher's favourite players are Marcus Stewart and Ben Thornley.

If you fancy being a Swindon Town Mascot, give me a call on 01793 532121 and I will send you all the details. You can get 10 per cent off if you are a Junior Member.

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# SWINDON **view**

Saturday 3rd October 1998 3.00pm kick off  
**SWINDON 2 STOCKPORT 3**

Today's game was all about the new manager, and it was great to see the mighty Quinn back at the County Ground.

But not even his presence could stop a strong Stockport County side from beating us 3-2.

As so often this season we started very brightly. It was the fit-again Scott Leitch who was running the show in midfield. He showed some delightful touches and some great diagonal passes out to both wings. His work rate and ability make him a real battler in the busy midfield area.

This skill came close to paying off. A great long ball from Leitch that found Gooden unmarked on the left. His cross was met by Walters, who shot into a crowd of players only to see it go wide.

At the other end it was Frank Talia doing all the hard work. Their midfielder broke from the centre and launched a shot at the Swindon's goal but Talia deflected it into the air and caught it on the second attempt.

With 24 minutes gone and the ground filled with the noise of "Jimmy Quinn's Barmy Army" we took the lead. It was a gift from the Stockport keeper who hurried to clear a bobbling ball. His poor clearance fell to Walters who fired goalwards and it was Iffy who got the final touch that put us 1-0 up.

Iffy had been causing their defence all sorts of problems with his aerial ability and strength; the goal was just what he deserved.

Swindon nearly made it two moments later when Gooden was fouled on the Stockport right. Walters

took the resulting free kick and swung it in with plenty of pace but Ndah couldn't quite connect.

The game was pretty even when County scored their equaliser. Five minutes before half time it was Phillips who found space on the left and fired in a cross that their forward headed home.

We were just consoling ourselves that to go in to half time at 1-1 was satisfactory when they scored again. They turned our defence well and found Graham Branch, who tapped in the ball from three yards past the diving Talia.

Seconds later the ref blew for half time and we knew that the second half was going to be an uphill struggle.

Moments into the second half and our worst fears were realised when they scored a third goal. A free kick was floated and the ball came down to their striker Ian Moore, who blasted the ball in from close range.

At 3-1 down it seemed that the match was beyond us, but it was Mark Walters who gave the Town faithful a ray of hope. Five minutes into the second half Robinson's cross found Onuora, who nodded the ball down to Walters. Without taking time to control it he belted in a left foot strike that was easily goal of the match.

At 3-2 the lads knew there was all to play for. Leitch continued to probe the defence with his long passing, and Cuervo was brought on to add another dimension to attack, but it didn't alter things.

On the day a hard working, well organised side beat us. We had plenty of chances and played some moments of good football but it wasn't enough to upset the opposition.

## VIEW FROM STOCKPORT COUNTY



Three points today kept us up at the right end of the Division as we beat a Swindon side hoping for exciting things with new boss Jimmy Quinn.

And in the opening exchanges of the match the home fans' prayers seemed to be answered. In a moment of lunacy our keeper Carlo Nash decided to give Town the lead. We watched in horror as his muffed clearance fell to Walters, then finally it was Onuora who turned the ball in.

It would be fair to say there were some pretty heated mutterings amongst our travelling army after that one, but County soon made up for it as we began to attack the home side.

Moments after their goal, we earned a corner kick that was nodded down to Wilbraham. This gave him the chance to score with a close-range header but he couldn't direct it and it went wide.

They say that just before half time is the best time to score a goal. Well we took that to the extreme as we notched up two goals five minutes before the break.

Phillips, who had been causing the Town defence problems all afternoon, managed to steer a cross to McIntosh whose lob-header beat Swindon's keeper.

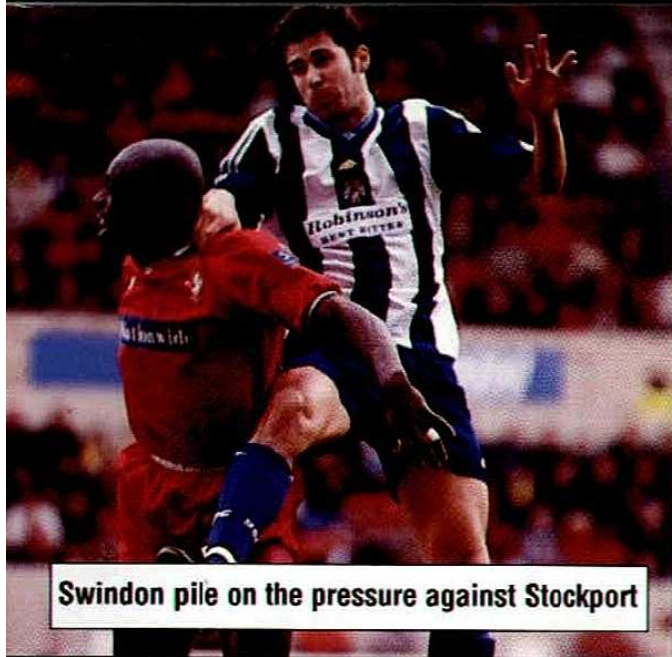
With that we piled on the pressure and watched with arms aloft as Graham Branch fired in a goal from close range.

The points were secured minutes into the second period when Ian Moore finished off a Branch cross from close range.

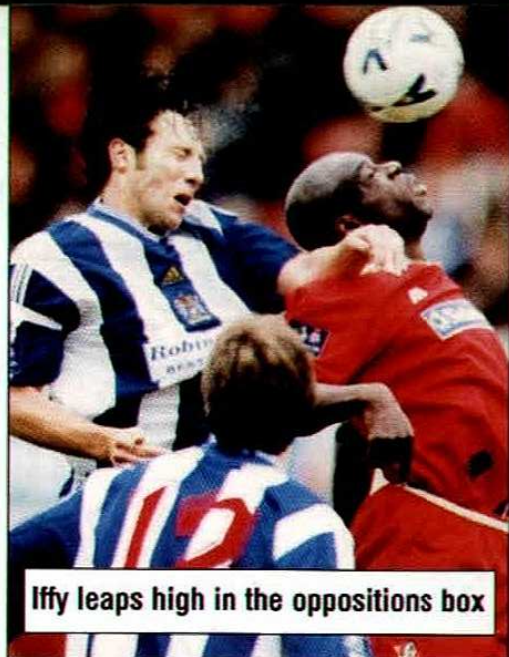
Swindon battled well from this and pulled a goal back thanks to the sweet left foot of Liverpool veteran Mark Walters, but we always looked in control as the minutes ticked away.

A pleasing display from the lads that shows we can beat good sides in this League. Although we started slowly we picked up the pace and took the game to Swindon- all credit to the lads.





Swindon pile on the pressure against Stockport



Iffy leaps high in the oppositions box



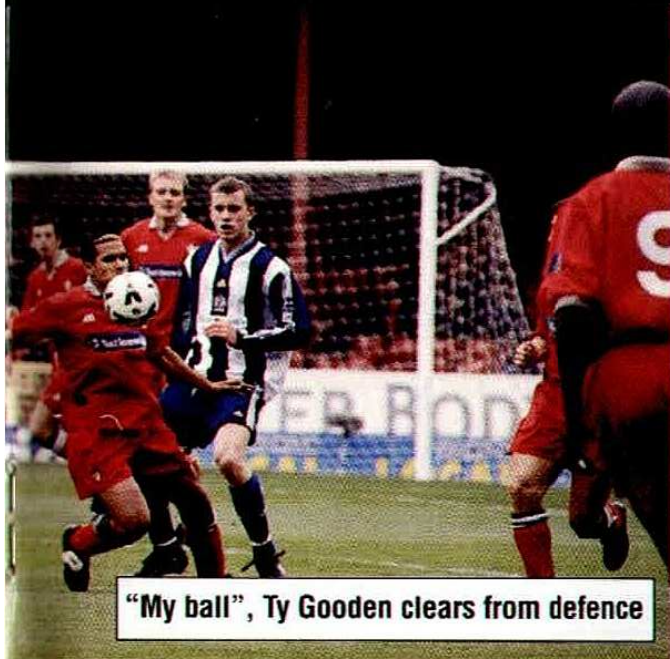
# **SWINDON 2 STOCKPORT**



"Bugsy" man marks the Stockport attacker







"My ball", Ty Gooden clears from defence



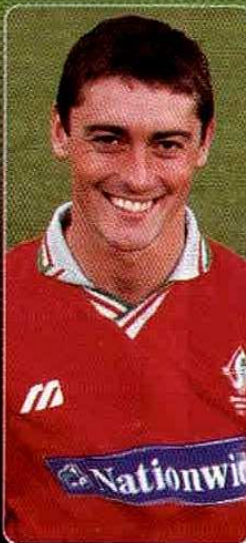
George Ndah heads for goal in the first half

## TEAM LINE UP

- 1 FRANK TALIA
  - 2 MARK ROBINSON
  - 3 SOL DAVIS
  - 4 SCOTT LEITCH ★
  - 5 ALAN REEVES
  - 6 BRIAN BORROWS
  - 7 MARK WALTERS
  - 8 ADAM WILLIS
  - 9 IFFY ONUORA
  - 10 GEORGE NDAH
  - 11 TY GOODEN
- 
- 12 DARREN BULLOCK
  - 13 GARETH HALL
  - 14 PHILIPPE CUERVO (FOR NDAH)

## MAN OF THE MATCH

★ SCOTT LEITCH ★



Scottish midfielder Scott Leitch was our man of the match for the game against Stockport County. His game combined everything you want in a midfielder - he showed real skill on the ball when turning away from players and hit a number of long passes that troubled their defence. When you combine this with his work rate and attitude you've got one hell of a competitor.



Our next two away days take us to Ipswich and Birmingham - sure to be two exciting trips!



**IPSWICH TOWN**

**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE**  
**SATURDAY 17 OCT**  
**3.00PM KICK-OFF**

Ipswich are looking for promotion back to the top flight but we'll be looking to spoil their party.



**BIRMINGHAM**

**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE**  
**TUESDAY 20 OCT**  
**7.45PM KICK-OFF**

Birmingham got the season off to a real flyer, but have faltered in their last few games. This away fixture will be tough, but there is no reason why we can't win this one.

**COMING SOON...**



**CREWE**

**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE**  
**SATURDAY 7 NOV**  
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Watch out for further issues of the Matchday Magazine for travel details to this fixture.



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**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE**  
**SATURDAY 14 NOV**  
**3.00PM KICK-OFF**

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Last season they beat us 2-1 at Portman Road, this season Swindon Town will be looking to return the favour.

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**IPSWICH TOWN**

**SATURDAY 17 OCT**  
**3.00PM KICK-OFF**

DEPART COUNTY GROUND: 9.30AM

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**TUESDAY 20 OCT**  
**7.45PM KICK-OFF**

DEPART COUNTY GROUND: 3.45PM

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- Match Tickets available when booking coach travel
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**IPSWICH TOWN**

**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE**  
**SATURDAY 17 OCT**  
**3.00PM KICK-OFF**

**AWAY**



**BIRMINGHAM**

**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE**  
**TUESDAY 20 OCT**  
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**AWAY**

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**HOME**

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**Q.P.R.**

**NATIONWIDE LEAGUE**  
**SATURDAY 31 OCT**  
**3.00PM KICK-OFF**

**HOME**

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# WHAT'S on at swindon



a look at what's on at the County Ground

## GABY ROSLIN'S "WHATEVER YOU WANT" COMES TO THE COUNTY GROUND...



The County Ground will have a starring role in the next series of Gaby Roslin's hit BBC1 show "Whatever You Want" as the cameras come to film a step on the road to fulfilling one lucky couple's dreams.

The next series of Gaby's Saturday night show, in which people compete to win their dream prize, will feature couples battling it out to win a trip around the world!

The series will start with thirteen couples and each week people will be knocked out until two pairs battle it out on the final show.

Gaby and her team will be here during our home match against West Bromwich Albion to play round five of Whatever You Want's brand new game "Wherever You Want" - right here on the pitch! The half time spectacular will see six couples battling it out to reach the next round, with one

unlucky couple being eliminated.

The winning couples will be one step closer to the trip of a lifetime.

Gaby and the "Whatever You Want" competitors are counting on big support from Swindon Town fans to show the 7 million peak-time viewers that we can really make some noise!

## CLUB NUTTERS...

As mentioned in the last programme, Dave Clarke is representing the Club in a new Channel 5 programme 'Club Nutters'.

Anyone who is interested can see Dave in action tomorrow morning (Saturday) at 11.00am.

## MEXICO CYCLING CHALLENGE...

February 1999 will see one of the match day stewards getting on his bike to raise money for the Macmillan Nurses.



Ian Lawrence works as a steward here at the County Ground and is one of our stretcher men who is called on to carry injured players off the pitch.

Ian's trip will see him joining around sixty people who will cycle the 600 kilometres from one coast of Mexico to the other. This will take him through tropical farmlands, cloud forest and mountain ranges before dropping down to the Pacific Ocean. Ian is confident that he can complete the challenge without help from his fellow stretcher bearers!

Ian is hoping to raise in excess of £2,500 and anyone who would like to make a donation or help to sponsor his trip should contact Ian via Helen Mercer in the Marketing Department - 01793 - 532121.

## BRING YOUR PARTY TO OUR PARTY...

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# Suthers SAYS

**"I would like to take this opportunity to formally welcome Jimmy Quinn to the Club"**

**The main topic of conversation in football recently has been that of the position of team manager.**

Obviously our minds have been focused on this very subject over the past few weeks and I would like to take this opportunity to formally welcome Jimmy Quinn to the Club. But what do you make of the role of a team manager? Football is unlike any other business I know. It can be the most fantastic industry to work in and it can be the worst. I am not going to dwell here on the bad elements that surrounded our own recent managerial change but it never ceases to amaze me how a manager can be a hero one moment and public enemy number one the next! Take Ray Harford. The WBA Chairman Tony Hale made extremely strong efforts to stop Ray from joining QPR, only to finally have to admit defeat. Ray was then welcomed to Loftus Road as the man who was going to take them back to The Premier League. Less than a season later, Ray resigns from QPR after a series of disappointing results and growing crowd dissatisfaction. Ray is one of the most respected figures in the game; he has enjoyed success at Wimbledon and Blackburn and was doing a great job at WBA. So how can he suddenly be considered not up to the job? And who is the

fans' favourite to replace Ray? Gerry Francis, the man hounded out at Spurs to make room for Christian Gross! Talking of Spurs, David Pleat, a manager with an excellent track record in the game, was the victim of supporter-power at Sheffield Wednesday, yet David is the man who won 5 out of 7 matches as Spurs' caretaker manager and who steadied the ship for George Graham's take-over.

The George Graham episode raised several talking points about the job of manager. How can he go to Arsenal's main rivals? How can he walk away from his contract with Leeds? Where is his loyalty? On David Mellor's '606' show last weekend, Mr Mellor was going on about contracts not being worth much and that something must be done to stop managers from walking away from contracts in order to protect the clubs. I'm sorry, but this argument doesn't wash with me. As I understand it, the George Graham transfer, because that is what it was, was handled correctly by all parties concerned and has been accepted by the League Manager's Association. The fact that Leeds had George under contract meant that they were entitled to compensation but that's about all. Once a person wants to leave to go to another job there is no point in keeping them tied to a contract. Who would benefit? As for loyalty, people must

take off their rose-tinted glasses. David Mellor and some of his callers were calling for the football authorities to lay down some regulations which enforce contracts to be honoured, thereby ensuring that managers stay to finish the job that they were hired for. Okay, sounds good, but what would the QPR, Spurs, Sheffield Wednesday and, dare I say it, Swindon fans have felt about such a regulation being in place? The term "you can't have it both ways" springs to mind! Also, would the clubs really want such a regulation? Prior to joining Brighton, my very good friend Steve Gritt was out of work for 18 months after losing his job at Charlton. He became a hero in Sussex for saving the club from almost certain relegation to the then Vauxhall Conference and he was rewarded with a new contract. He was sacked just a few months into that contract!

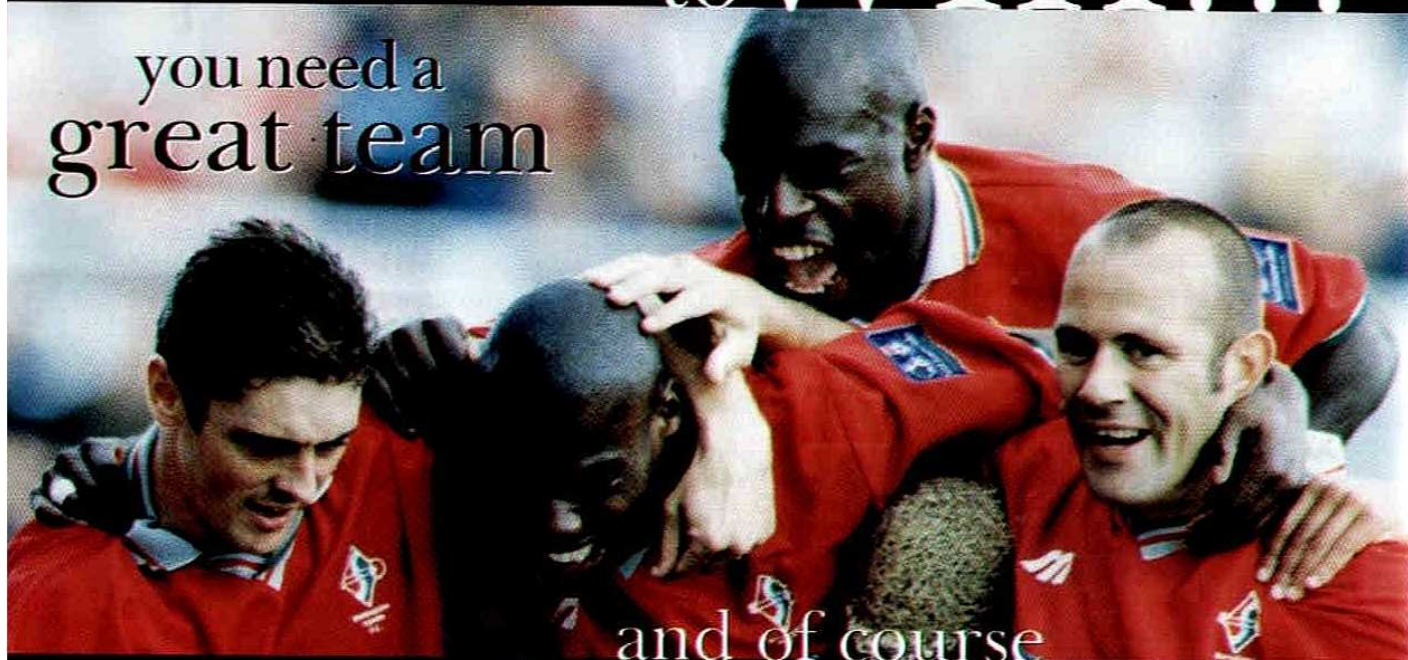
The simple fact is that, for a variety of reasons, managers will succeed at some clubs and fail at others and, in my opinion, contracts should just be seen as financial safeguards for clubs should their manager wish to join another club. Loyalty is commendable and every employee, whichever business they are in, owes his employer his total commitment. However, personal ambition and job enhancement is something each and every one of us strive to maximise and football people are no different.





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# all around the world

By Colin Benson

**BULGARIA** - The one-off saga surrounding Bulgaria's trip to Wembley to play England in Saturday's European Championship qualifying tie was only resolved last Thursday week. The Bulgarian government responding positively to UEFA's threat to throw them out of the competition.

Internal politics is the root of the Commission in an attempt to take had taken away the BFU's licence after accusations of a doping cover. Bulgarian football authority. However as the Bulgarian Football Union is the authority recognised by UEFA the government has agreed to allow them to remain in charge until a court appeal over the licence revocation is heard on October 20.

**ENGLAND** - Sheffield Wednesday's Italian player Paola Di Canio's outrageous response in the match against Arsenal is still in the news. Not content with shoving the referee over he then had the audacity to accuse the official of "diving". I only hope that the FA do not fudge the issue and hand the petulant Italian a punishment befitting the crime. Manhandling referees must be wiped out and this can only be achieved by direct and meaningful punishment.

Lets not forget that this is the third occasion within a year that Premiership referees have been assaulted by players. First there was Petit (ironically of Arsenal) then David Batty (Newcastle) at Blackburn in the final game of last season. Admittedly theirs was only a hands on action compared to Di Canio's thrustful shove but Football must be seen to deal with such offenders in a strict and forceful way.

Why our football should suddenly be afflicted in this way is not clear-cut. There is a school of thought that suggests that if we fill our game with foreign players then we must expect to inherit some of their bad traits as well as the good.

But in a general climate of lowering moral standards, a climate in which a failed politician can go live on Radio Five every Saturday and encourage football folk to attack referees. A climate in which athletes can cheat and come back into the sport after

taking performance enhancing drugs. A climate in which a Formula One driver can get away with deliberately shunting an opponent off the track to win the world championship: and in which Presidents can do virtually anything they want and get away with it, there is a chance for English to restore some moral fibre to society.

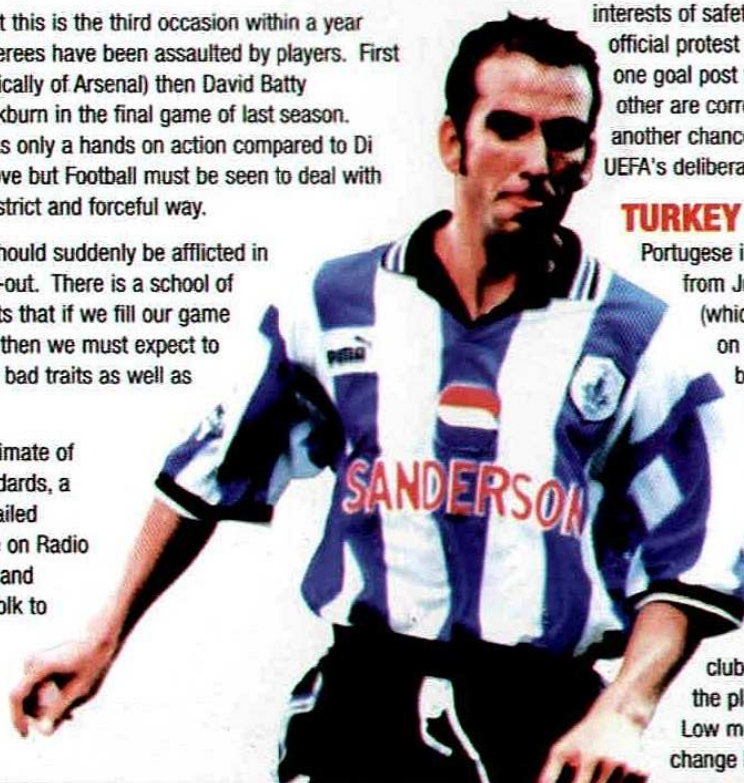
**RANCE** - National team coach Lemerre has called up Arsenal's striker Nicolas Anelka for the squad take on Russia and Andorra in the European Championship this month. Lemerre has selected 19 players and as he has done this so that he can experiment with attacking options. So could appear Anelka will go.

The surprise is the omission of World winners Guivarc'h and winger Thierry Henry. France play Russia and Andorra four days later.

- Poor old Hearts, they feel they were dealt a duff hand in their European Cup Winners' Cup tie in Mallorca. They drew 1-1 but went out 2-1 on aggregate having lost 1-0 at home to Real Mallorca. But the Scots were not happy about the conditions and played the game under protest and only for their supporters sake and in the interests of safety. They have now faxed an official protest to UEFA and if their claims that one goal post was 10cm higher than the other are correct, they will probably get another chance on neutral soil. We await UEFA's deliberation with interest.

**TURKEY** - Fenerbahce have snapped up Portuguese international Manuel Dimas from Juventus for an undisclosed fee (which probably means they got him on the cheap). The South African born defender, who played for Benfica before moving to Italy, has failed to establish himself in the Juventus side and has signed a three-year agreement with Fenerbahce.

The transfer was a bit of a surprise as the Turkish club's president had said that the club were no longer interested in the player. It seems coach Joachim Low must have persuaded him to change his mind.





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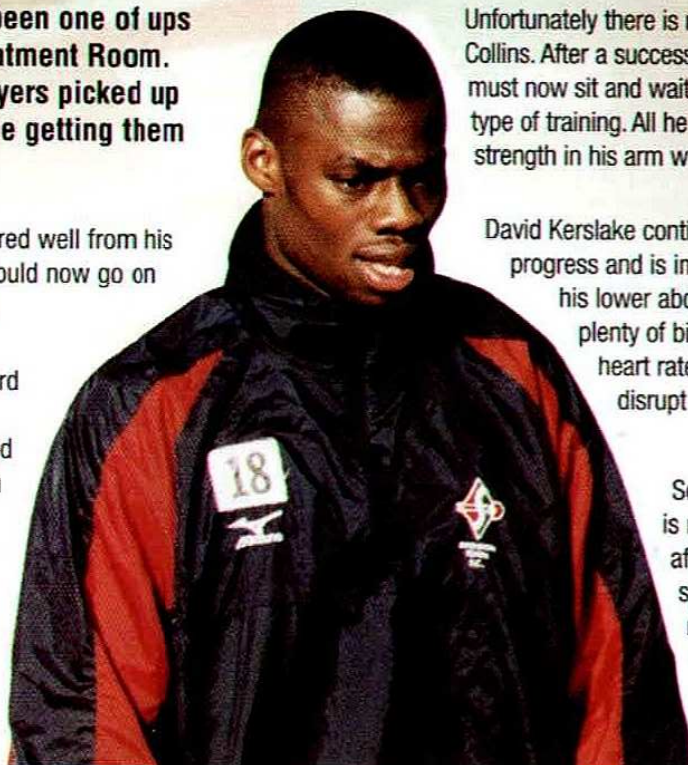
# TREATMENT room

This last week has been one of ups and downs in the Treatment Room. After a number of players picked up injuries we seem to be getting them back in action again.

George Ndah has recovered well from his damaged shoulder and should now go on from strength to strength.

Iffy has been working hard over the last few days to make himself fit and looked fine against Stockport with no reoccurrence of his groin strain.

When these two are fit they are a lethal strike partnership so it was great to get them back in action.



Unfortunately there is no quick cure for Lee Collins. After a successful shoulder operation he must now sit and wait before he can rejoin any type of training. All he can do is build up muscle strength in his arm with special exercises.

David Kerslake continues to make good progress and is improving each day from his lower abdominal strain. He is doing plenty of bike work that keeps the heart rate working but doesn't disrupt the affected area.

Scottish forward Chris Hay is now very close to fitness after a niggling ankle sprain. He is up and running, weight bearing well, and is starting to do some turning to really test the muscles surrounding the ankle.

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## Graham's Shock Offer To Bring Adams To Spurs

Tony Adams is considering an amazing offer to become George Graham's right-hand man at Spurs.



Arsenal's captain turned down an initial approach last week but is now thinking over an improved deal to move to White Hart Lane as player-coach.

The pair have the highest respect for each other, built up over nine trophy laden years together at Arsenal.

In his recent autobiography Adams Said: "I know so much of my success is down to George Graham. Maybe I was good for him. He was certainly good for me. He was an astonishing worker."

## Beaten Gullits's Blast For Bosses

Ruud Gullit is on collision course with the Newcastle board after demanding money to strengthen his lack-lustre squad.



Last Sunday's 3-0 defeat by champions Arsenal emphasised the gulf between Newcastle and the best in the Premiership and left Gullit bemoaning the lack of the support from his board.

He said: "You never want to lose but perhaps this was a good thing because it showed just how badly a few results had been masking our true position.

"I knew before I even took over that we had to make changes. The players are already there in the fridge just waiting for me to say the word and that is what they brought me in to do at Newcastle, that's my reputation.

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## ROUND-UP

### Sherwood Seeks Spurs Move

**UNSETTLED**  
Tim Sherwood has revealed his desire to quit Blackburn and join George Graham's Spurs revolution.



The Rovers' captain feels aggrieved the club have blocked his chance to return to London by rejecting a £3 million offer from Spurs- and is demanding talks to sort out his future.

Despite Saturday's win over West Ham, Sherwood said: "I'm not happy at what I've seen happening, players just getting up and going when they want, bettering themselves financially and maybe winning trophies. There was a chance for me to do that and Blackburn stood in my way.

"I thought we wouldn't be strong enough at the beginning of the season and that has been shown.

"At the moment it looks more positive at Spurs, especially with George Graham going there. It would be a good challenge for me."



## Ince And Le Saux fight in tunnel

England stars Paul Ince and Graeme Le Saux clashed in the Anfield tunnel as yet another Premiership match last Sunday ended in stormy fashion.



An argument over some controversial decisions during Liverpool's 1-1 draw with Chelsea spilled over into violence and both England men may now face disciplinary action.

Liverpool's joint-manager Gerard Houllier confirmed the flashpoint and said: "There was a bit of elbowing with two players who are international team-mates. It was nothing really serious.

Liverpool's Ince, one of seven players booked during the game, is already at the centre of a FIFA probe for his tantrum on international duty in Sweden - and Chelsea's Le Saux was sent off at Blackburn recently.



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DERBY	8	3	3	2	6	4	12
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WEST HAM	8	3	3	2	7	8	12
NEWCASTLE	8	3	2	3	13	10	11
LEEDS	8	2	5	1	8	5	11
TOTTENHAM	8	3	2	3	9	14	11
CHARLTON	8	2	4	2	12	10	10
EVERTON	8	2	4	2	6	6	10
SHEFF WED	8	3	0	5	8	9	9
LEICESTER	8	2	3	3	7	8	9
BLACKBURN	8	2	2	4	8	10	8
NOTT'M FOREST	8	2	1	5	5	10	7
COVENTRY	8	1	2	5	5	14	5
SOUTHAMPTON	8	0	1	7	3	21	1







## Odd one out...

Identify which Swindon Town player is the odd one out, and why?

## ANSWERS:

### WHO AM I?

1. KEVIN WATSON
2. ALAN REEVES
3. SOL DAVIS

### MANAGER?

MYCOMBE W.  
NEIL SMILLIE

### WHO'S KIT

SHIRT:  
WIMBLEDON (AWAY)

### ODD ONE OUT

THE ODD ONE OUT IS  
IFTY CHADRA. AS HE IS  
THE ONLY PLAYER NOT  
TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN A  
YELLOW CARD THIS  
SEASON PLAYING FOR  
SWINDON TOWN.

## WHO AM I?

Name the three faces from Swindon Town FC.



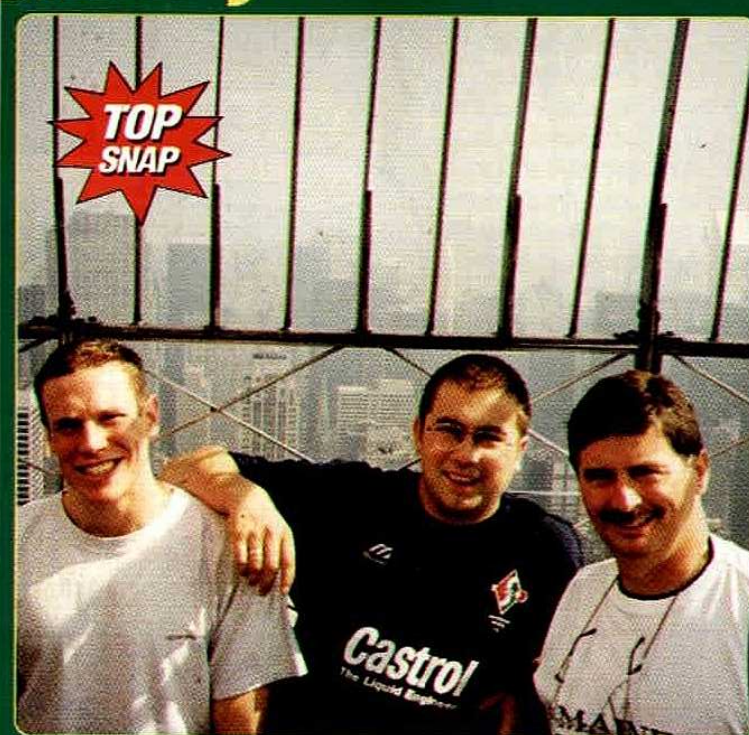
## who's kit ??????



## I am the manager of which team???



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This week it is Swindon fan Paul Hammond, his father John and 'special' friend Phil Ratcliffe. Paul is showing his colours at the top of the Empire State Building overlooking Manhattan Island!

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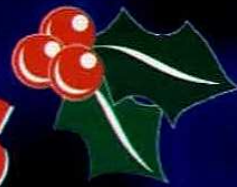
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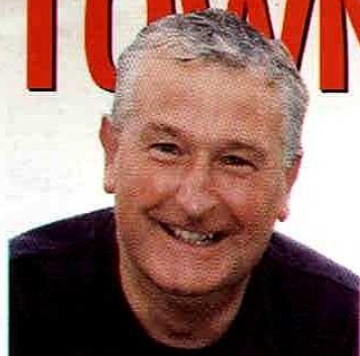
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# SWINDON TOWN Ladies



by Roger Reeves

## Women's FA CUP FIRST ROUND SWINDON TOWN 2 NEWPORT 1

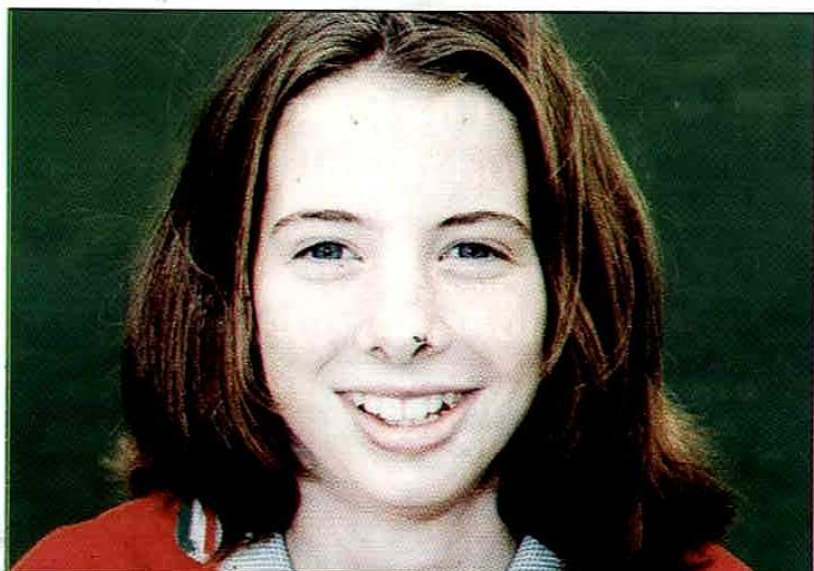
The Town Ladies scraped a victory by two goals to one in the First Round of the Women's FA Cup.

The Welsh side, which included both full and youth level internationals, made the Town fight all the way for this win. Diane George headed home Pam Laker's corner to give the Town the lead at the break. Newport equalised from the penalty spot after a Town defender was adjudged to have handled. With just

eight minutes remaining, Clare Wheeler and Helen Cooper created the opportunity for Leanne Taylor to race clear of the defence to slot the ball home and secure a place in the Second Round draw. Neither side have a match tomorrow as all fixtures have been postponed because of the Women's International. England face Romania in the Women's World Cup Play Off at Wycombe Wanderers FC, Kick Off 2.00 p.m.

In the draw for the Second Round of the Women's FA Cup, the Town have been drawn at home to South Coast Rangers from Hamble in Hampshire. In the previous round the Rangers accounted for Exeter by four goals to one.

Next Sunday, the Town make the short trip to the Allied Dunbar Sports Ground, Woburn to face Swindon Spitfires. Last season both games against the Spitfires finished all square at three each away and two each at home. The reserve side play in the Southern Region League Cup but at the time of going to press the draw has not been made.



Leanne Taylor - One of Swindon Town's scorers

### FIXTURES 98/99

#### South West Combination League

SUN 6TH SEPT	OXFORD UNITED	2-3
SUN 13TH SEPT	Bristol Rovers	3-1
SUN 20TH SEPT	SHERBOURNE	7-1
SUN 27th SEPT	(FA Cup R1) Newport	2-1
SUN 4th OCT	Portsmouth	A
SUN 11TH OCT	DENHAM UNITED	H
SUN 18th OCT	Swindon Spitfires	A
SUN 25TH OCT	CHELTHENHAM	H
SUN 1st NOV	(FA Cup R2)	
SUN 8th NOV	Bath City	A
SUN 15TH NOV	BRISTOL CITY	H
SUN 22nd NOV	Saltash Pilgrims	A
SUN 29th NOV	Cardiff County	A
SUN 6th DEC	(League Cup)	
SUN 13th DEC	Oxford United	A
SUN 10TH JAN	BRISTOL ROVERS	H
SUN 24th JAN	Sherbourne	A
SUN 31ST JAN	PORTMOUTH	H
SUN 7th FEB	Denham United	A
SUN 14TH FEB	SWINDON SPITFIRES	H
SUN 28th FEB	Cheltenham	A
SUN 7TH MAR	BATH CITY	H
SUN 14th MAR	Bristol City	A
SUN 21ST MAR	SALTASH PILGRIMS	H
SUN 28TH MAR	CARDIFF COUNTY	H

### FIXTURES 98/99

#### Southern Region League Northern Division

SUN 6th SEPT	Tring Town	4-4
SUN 13TH SEPT	CARTERTON TOWN	2-1
SUN 20th SEPT	Witney Town	A
SUN 4TH OCT	CHESHAM UNITED	H
SUN 11th OCT	Aylesbury Stocklake	A
SUN 25th OCT	Newport Pagnell Utd	A
SUN 1ST NOV	OXFORD UTD RES	H
SUN 8th NOV	Bushey Rangers	A
SUN 15TH NOV	RISBOROUGH R.	H
SUN 22nd NOV	(League Cup R1)	
SUN 29TH NOV	TRING TOWN	H
SUN 6th DEC	Carterton Town	A
SUN 13TH DEC	WITNEY TOWN	H
SUN 10th JAN	chesham united	A
SUN 24TH JAN	AYLESBURY S.	H
SUN 31ST JAN	NEWPORT P. UTD	H
SUN 7th FEB	Oxford United Res	A
SUN 28TH FEB	BUSHEY RANGERS	H
SUN 7th MAR	Risborough Rovers	A

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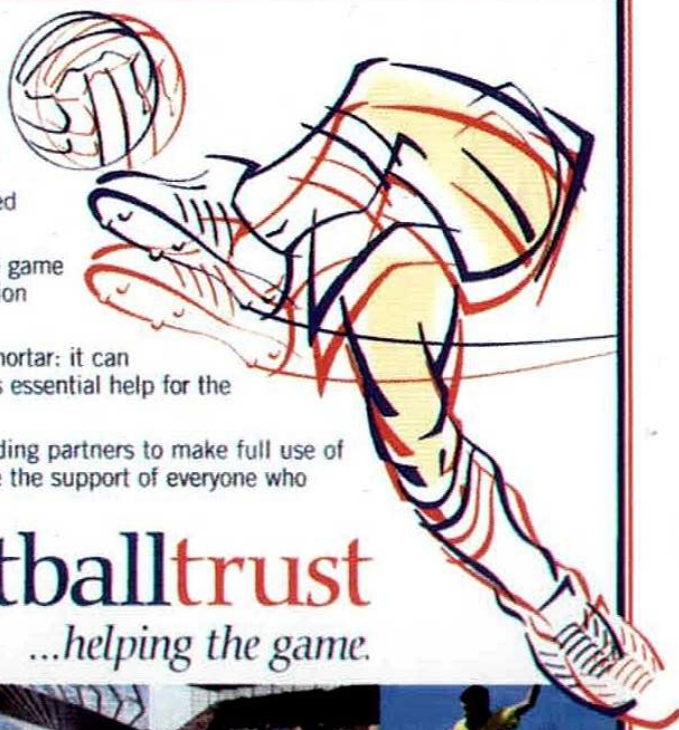
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## Bristol City

Bristol City manager admitted the club's 1-0

victory over Bury Saturday gave the whole club a big boost.

A Micky Bell penalty in the 67th minute settled the Gigg Lane match to give City something to build on.

John Ward said: "It was a big win for us and a big boost for everyone at the club".

"We've got to take it on and not waste the work we've done. We've got seven out of nine point in the last three games. We've got to keep up the hard work now."

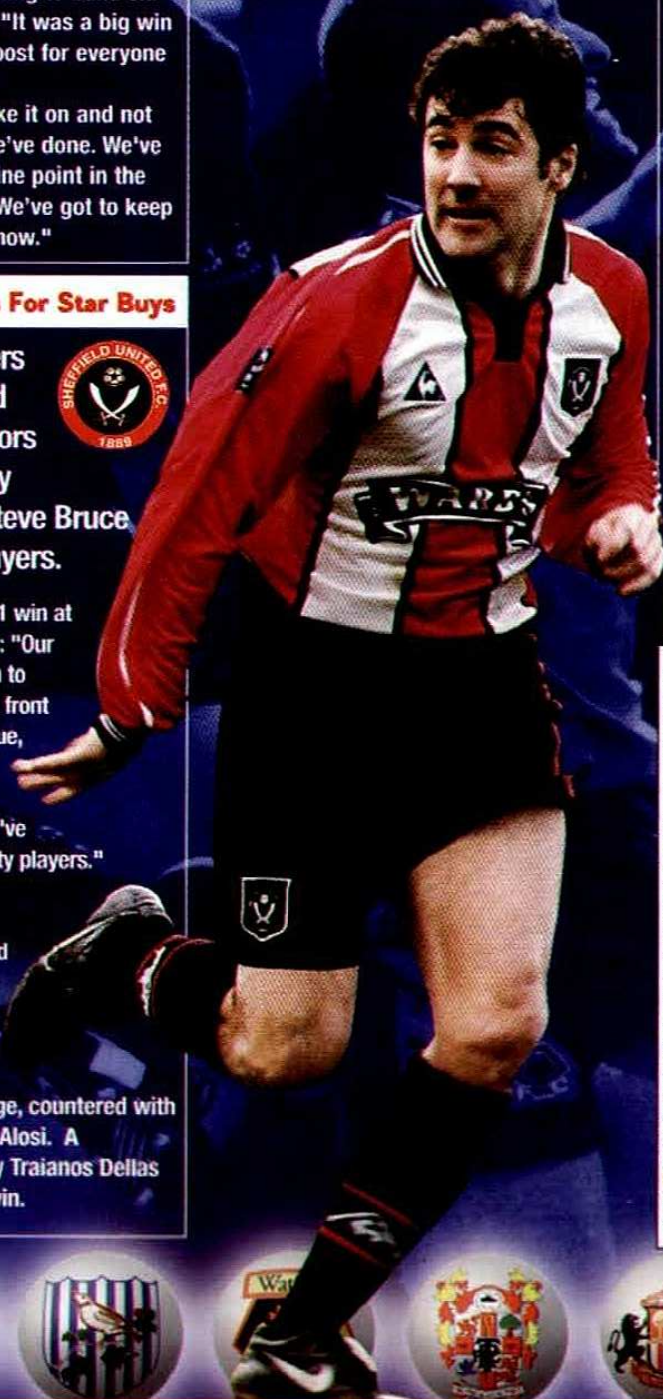
## Saunders Calls For Star Buys

Dean Saunders urged Sheffield United's directors to make money available for Steve Bruce to buy new players.

After his side's 2-1 win at Portsmouth, he said: "Our play is good enough to keep us up with the front runners in the League, but if you want to get into the Premier League you've got to buy top-quality players."

The Wales international scored after five minutes, but Portsmouth, who had Andy Awford sent off for abusive language, countered with a strike from John Aloisi. A spectacular goal by Traianos Dellas gave United their win.

# Nationwide FOOTBALL LEAGUE 1 NATIONWIDE DIVISION 1 ROUND-UP



## Jacko's Amazing Year

Peter Jackson was playing Vauxhall Conference football this week last year, Barry Horne was out of favour at Birmingham, and now a penniless Huddersfield side have moved two points clear at the top of the table with a 2-0 victory over Oxford.

Horne is dominating their midfield and multi-millionaire Barry Rubery is poised to take over the club. Horne said: "We were in big trouble but now we are top of the table and that is down to Jacko."

Jackson said: "The difficult bit is staying there. I need one or two new players. In a few weeks Mr. Rubery may have injected cash into the club and I may have some money to spend. Then anything could happen."

## Nationwide League Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS.
HUDDERSFIELD	12	7	2	3	18	14	23
SUNDERLAND	11	5	6	0	25	7	21
BOLTON	10	5	5	0	25	16	20
BIRMINGHAM	12	6	2	4	15	11	20
IPSWICH	11	5	4	2	17	7	19
WATFORD	11	6	1	4	17	17	19
SHEFF UTD	12	5	3	4	18	19	18
WOLVES	11	5	3	3	14	9	18
WEST BROM	11	5	2	4	23	20	17
NORWICH	10	5	2	3	16	11	17
GRIMSBY	12	4	4	4	15	14	16
BURY	12	4	4	4	9	8	16
BRADFORD	11	4	3	4	16	14	15
STOCKPORT	12	3	6	3	15	17	15
BARNSELY	11	3	5	3	16	15	14
CRYSTAL PALACE	10	4	2	4	12	16	14
PORTSMOUTH	12	3	4	5	18	17	13
OXFORD	12	3	3	6	16	24	12
BRISTOL CITY	12	2	5	5	18	23	11
PORT VALE	11	3	2	6	8	20	11
CREWE	11	2	4	5	15	20	10
SWINDON	12	2	3	7	16	25	9
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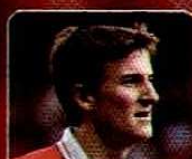


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**I've just got home from training and sat down with a cup of tea to get stuck into these programme notes.**

It may sound funny, but it's been a long time since I've had to pick up a pen and write anything like this so please bear with me!

Football can be so frustrating. During my career I have experienced many ups and downs but there is nothing worse than losing. Not just for pride's sake but also so that we can give big Wayne some stick as he makes his return to the County Ground.

Our game against Stockport was disappointing and we were all upset that we didn't put on a better show for the fans and indeed the new gaffer. This is why Huddersfield will have to be the game in which to do it.

I've often thought about what I would do if I didn't play football, but after a recent episode at the Club there is one career that I've decided is not for me - modelling!!

Before you say it, I know I wasn't at the front of the queue when the looks were given out but I was asked recently to model some designer clothes from the Edward Teach store in Cirencester. I was joined by George Ndah, Jimmy Glass and Iffy Onuora for an hour-long photo shoot here at the ground. All credit to the professionals who adorn the catwalk - this job is not easy, although we had some laughs trying out the model's walk with the relevant twists and turns! I must say that the gear itself was very nice and even though my wallet has a padlock (in true Scottish tradition!) I did put my hand in my pocket and buy myself some new clobber. I think George would probably have the best chance of a modelling career outside of football, he certainly has the right moves even though he needed more make-up than me!

Well the tea's nearly finished and I'm almost done writing this piece for the programme. I would just like to end by asking for you to make some noise whenever you visit the ground, you may have seen me at recent games egging you on to shout for us. I in

particular am very highly strung when I'm out on a football pitch and the roar from the crowd works wonders for the old adrenaline so for those noisy one's out there -

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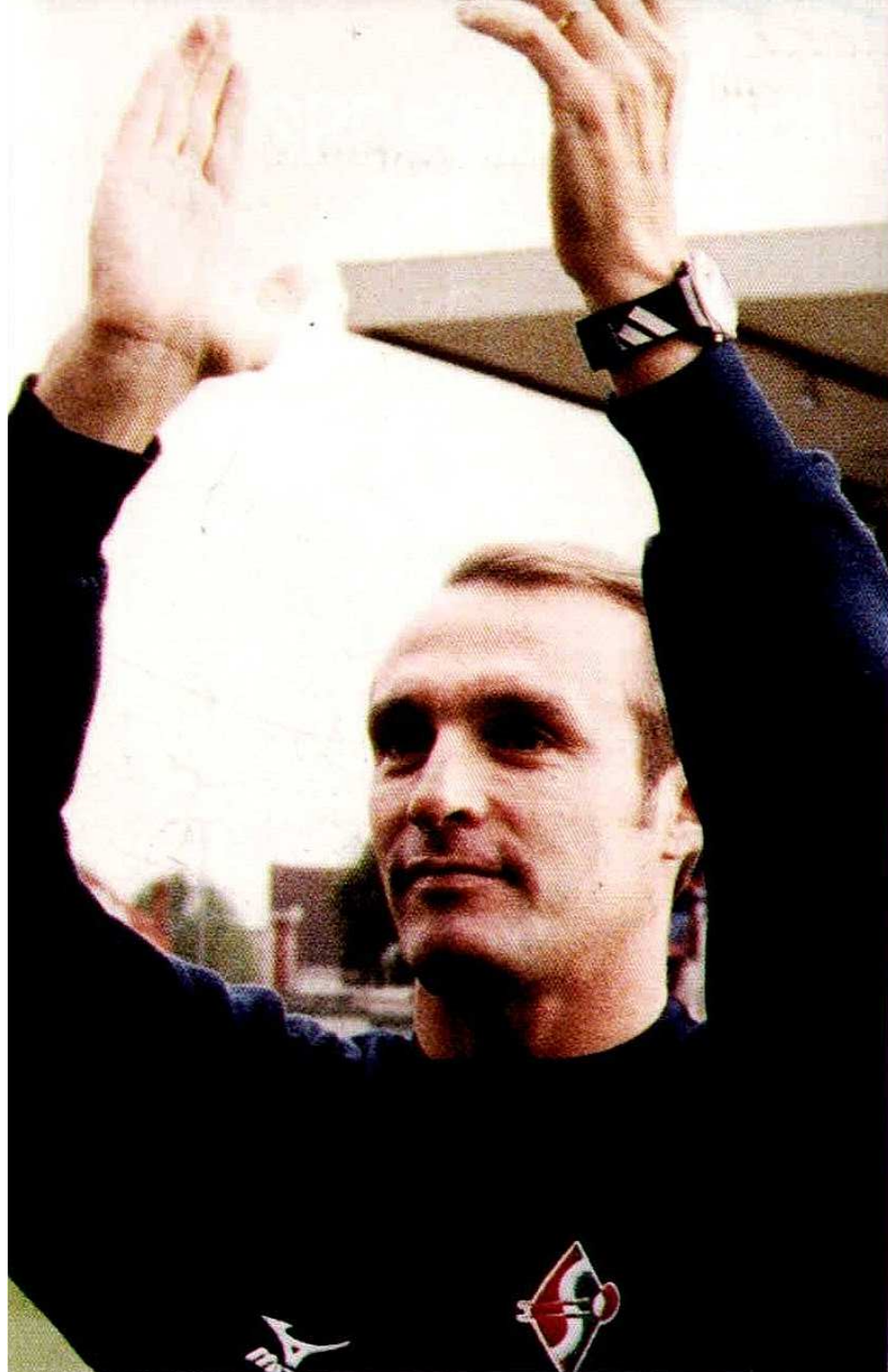


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**Q. Firstly Jimmy, welcome back to Swindon Town. How do you feel about coming back to your old club?**

A. Obviously I'm elated, it has always been an ambition of mine to come back to Swindon. My wife and family are all happy about it, and my father in law was in tears when I told him the news. At the same time I'm sad because I had a terrific time at Peterborough under Barry Fry.



**Q. What are the first things you want to change as Swindon manager?**

A. There are a number of things I need to do straight away. I need to get to know the players - I think we have a good squad and it is my job to get the best out of them. In addition, we have got to stop leaking goals. We need to tighten up the defence and make ourselves a bit more physical at the back.

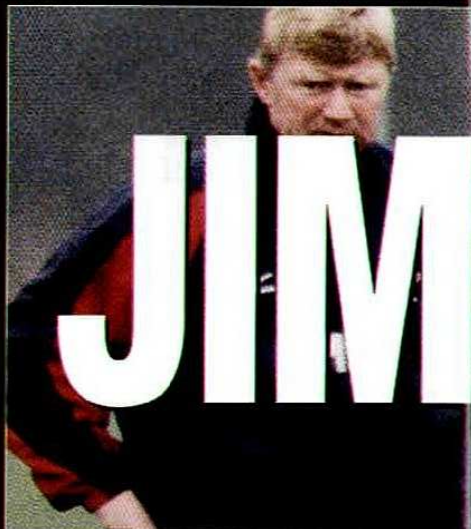


**Q. What do you think that you, as a manager, can bring to Swindon?**

A. I think one of my strengths is my ability to manage the players. I can spot a player's strong points and weak points and can hopefully get the most out of them. I'm not a ranter and raver, but if players don't respond to the way I do things, then I'll pick someone else.



**Q. How do you think the club has changed since you were here as a player?**





A. I've watched the club take massive steps forward over the years. We now have two physio's, which means the players will be getting the best possible treatment. In addition, the youth set has advanced leaps and bounds with the Centre of Excellence. What never changes is the type of players the fans like to see at the County Ground. They want hard working players who will die for the club they play for. This is the type of spirit I want to generate here.

**Q. But won't it be difficult to put together a side like that when there is no money to buy new players?**

A. I'm aware that there isn't a great deal to spend, but I don't believe you need a lot of money to build a good squad. We don't have the money of a Bolton or Sunderland, but that is where good management comes into the equation. There are plenty of good players out there that are cheap, or that you can get through the Bosman Ruling as free transfers. As joint manager of Reading I think we brought in around 16 players and four of those that I signed are still in the team. I paid £35,000 for Mark Booth the rightback while the rest were all free transfers, so I feel I have valuable experience in hunting for the right players at the right price.

**Q. Speaking of good players, is there a chance we might see you put your boots on for Swindon Town?**

A. No. I think this move marks the end of my playing career. At Reading I learnt

very quickly that being a player/manager was hard work. I don't want to make that mistake again - managing Swindon is a full-time job and I want to focus my time on that.

**Q. Is there more of an emotional attachment to Swindon because it was your first club as a pro?**

A. Definitely. I've lived in Swindon for years now and this has always been the dream job for me. In this game you always have a soft spot for the club you start with. Over the years I have always looked out for the Swindon result on a Saturday afternoon, but now I can actually do something about it. The only trouble is that all my family are massive Swindon fans so if I don't start getting the results they'll kill me!

**Q. And finally, Jimmy, what are your ambitions for the future?**

A. Over the years I've seen some great times at Swindon. Under Lou Macari we climbed up from the lower Divisions and when Glenn was here he guided the side to the Premiership, which was an amazing achievement. I want to do exactly the same now. I want to restore the atmosphere at the County Ground, pull the crowds in and get people singing. In the short term we need to bag some points and move up the table. In the long-term I want to take Swindon to the Premiership - and with the help of the supporters and players I believe we can do it.



## Jimmy Quinn FACT FILE

**Born:** Belfast, November 18 1959 **Height:** 6ft

**Internationals:** 48 appearances for Northern Ireland, 12 goals.

**Swindon Town:** 55 appearances, 18 goals.

**Blackburn Rovers:** 84 appearances, 23 goals.

**Swindon Town:** 86 appearances, 43 goals.

**Leicester City:** 36 appearances, 6 goals.

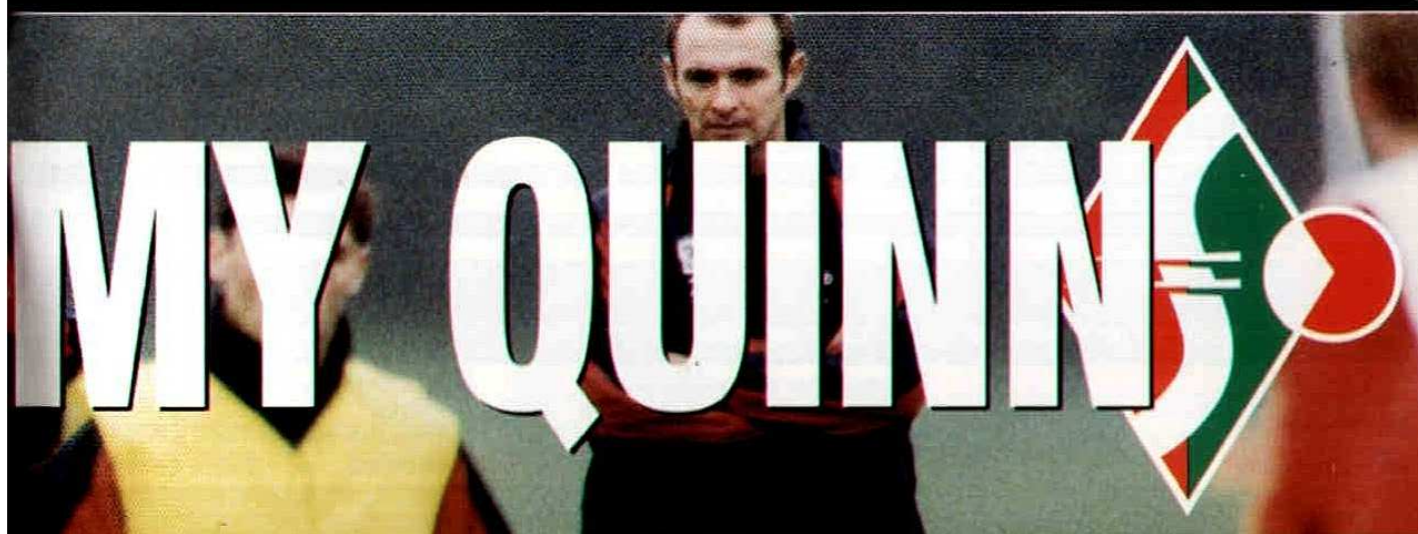
**Bradford City:** 37 appearances, 15 goals

**West Ham United:** 57 appearances, 22 goals

**Bournemouth:** 54 appearances, 24 goals.

**Reading:** 216 appearances, 94 goals. Joint player-manager from December 1994 to May 1997.

**Peterborough:** 62 appearances, 25 goals.












## the swindon fact files

## the key:

FAC = F.A. CUP  
WC = WORTHINGTON CUP

DATE			OPPONENTS	RESULT	ATT.	 1	 2	 3	 4	 5	 6	 7
Sat Aug 08	Sheffield United	A	1-2	15,937	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	GOODEN	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
WED AUG 12	WYCOMBE W. WC1 (1)	H	2-1	4,682	GLASS	ROBINSON	HALL	GOODEN	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
SAT AUG 15	SUNDERLAND	H	1-1	10,207	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	LEITCH	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
Tue Aug 18	Wycombe W. WC1 (2)	A	0-2	2,478	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	WATSON	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
Sat Aug 22	Wolverhampton W.	A	0-1	21,537	TALIA	KERSLAKE	HALL	DAVIS	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
SAT AUG 29	PORT VALE	H	1-1	7,800	TALIA	KERSLAKE	HALL	HULBERT	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
Mon Aug 31	Bury	A	0-3	4,513	TALIA	KERSLAKE	HALL	HULBERT	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
SAT SEPT 05	BRISTOL CITY*	H	3-2	8,537	TALIA	KERSLAKE	HALL	LEITCH	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
WED SEPT 09	OXFORD UNITED*	H	4-1	8,305	GLASS	KERSLAKE	HALL	LEITCH	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
Sat Sept 12	Portsmouth	A	2-5	10,105	TALIA	KERSLAKE	HALL	LEITCH	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
SAT SEPT 19	WATFORD	H	1-4	8,781	TALIA	KERSLAKE	HALL	LEITCH	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
Fri Sept 25	Tranmere Rovers	A	0-0	5,501	TALIA	ROBINSON	WILLIS	DAVIS	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
Tue Sept 29	Bolton Wanderers	A	1-2	16,497	TALIA	ROBINSON	WILLIS	DAVIS	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
SAT OCT 03	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H	2-3	7,961	TALIA	ROBINSON	DAVIS	LEITCH	REEVES	BORROWS	WALTERS	
FRI OCT 09	HUDDERSFIELD T.	H										
Sat Oct 17	Ipswich Town	A										
Tue Oct 20	Birmingham City	A										
SAT OCT 24	W.B.A.	H										
SAT OCT 31	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	H										
Sat Nov 07	Crewe Alexandra	A										
Sat Nov 14	Bradford City (FA.C1)	A										
SAT NOV 21	CRYSTAL PALACE	H										
Sat Nov 28	Grimsby Town	A										
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SAT DEC 12	BRADFORD CITY	H										
Sat Dec 19	Barnsley	A										
SAT DEC 26	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	H										
Mon Dec 28	Bristol City	A										
Sat Jan 02	(FA.C3)											
SAT JAN 09	SHEFFIELD UNITED	H										
Sat Jan 16	Port Vale	A										
Sat Jan 23	(FA.C4)											
SAT JAN 30	BURY	H										
Sat Feb 06	Sunderland	A										
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SAT MAR 06	BOLTON W. (FA.C6)	H										
Tue Mar 09	Stockport County	A										
SAT MAR 13	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H										
Sat Mar 20	Queens Park Rangers	A										
Sat Mar 27	W.B.A.	A										
SAT APR 03	IPSWICH TOWN	H										
Mon Apr 05	Huddersfield Town	A										
SAT APR 10	BIRMINGHAM C. (FA.CSF)	H										
Sat Apr 17	Crystal Palace	A										
SAT APR 24	GRIMSBY TOWN	H										
Sat May 01	Norwich City	A										
SUN MAY 09	BARNSELY	H										
Sat May 22	F.A. Cup Final											

### THIS SEASON'S TOP SCORERS

IFFY ONUORA	7
GEORGE NDAH	6
MARK WALTERS	2
GARETH HALL	1
ALAN REEVES	1

### LAST SEASON'S TOP GATES

SUN 3 <sup>RD</sup> MAY VS SUNDERLAND	15,740
SAT 22 <sup>ND</sup> NOV VS MIDDLESBROUGH	15,228
SUN 7 <sup>TH</sup> SEPT VS NOTT'M FOREST	13,051
SAT 21 <sup>ST</sup> FEB VS MANCHESTER CITY	12,280

### LAST FOUR GAMES

STOCKPORT COUNTY	H	LOST 3-2
BOLTON	A	LOST 2-1
TRANMERE ROVERS	A	DREW 0-0
WATFORD	H	LOST 4-1



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**PLAYER IN RED DENOTES SCORER** **NUMBER IN BRACKETS DENOTES PLAYER REPLACED ( )**

8	9	10	11	12	13	14
HAY	ONDURA	BULLOCK	NDAH	DAVIS (6)	CUERVO	TAYLOR
HAY	ONDURA	BULLOCK	NDAH	KERSLAKE	WATSON(8)	TAYLOR
NDAH	ONDURA	BULLOCK	GOODEN	DAVIS	HAY	CUERVO(4)
NDAH	ONDURA	BULLOCK	GOODEN	HAY (4)	CUERVO (11)	GLASS
NDAH	HAY	BULLOCK	GOODEN	ONDURA(8)	ROBINSON	CUERVO (4)
NDAH	ONDURA	BULLOCK	GOODEN	HAY	DAVIS	CUERVO (9)
NDAH	ONDURA	BULLOCK	GOODEN	COWE	DAVIS(3)	ROBINSON
NDAH	ONDURA	BULLOCK	GOODEN	HULBERT(4)	COWE	DAVIS(6)
NDAH (2)	ONDURA (2)	BULLOCK	GOODEN	ROBINSON	WILLIS	WATSON
NDAH	ONDURA	BULLOCK	GOODEN	ROBINSON(10)	COWE	WILLIS
NDAH	COWE	BULLOCK	GOODEN	TAYLOR	HOWE	WATSON
NDAH	CUERVO	BULLOCK	GOODEN	WATSON	TAYLOR	COWE(9)
NDAH	CUERVO	BULLOCK	GOODEN	HOWE(8)	ONDURA(8)	WATSON
WILLIS	ONDURA	NDAH	GOODEN	BULLOCK	HALL	CUERVO(10)

## the GRIPTON factor

By our matchday announcer JON GRIPTON of BBC Wiltshire Sound



### Big Ron Atkinson was in town the other day.

For a few minutes the sportsteam at BBC Wiltshire Sound put two and two together and came up with ten! Could it really be that one of soccer's biggest characters was signing a deal at the County Ground? He had been seen arriving in Swindon, no doubt smoking a trademark big cigar. Surely he is heading for contract talks with the Chairman, we thought. But no. It turned out he was the latest from the footballing world to be publishing a new book - for the record it's called "A different ball game" - and we were able to grab a few words with him for broadcast soon on our Sandy Martin at Lunchtime programme. But it started me thinking about how we could write a complete volume of anecdotes on the last fortnight at the County Ground.

The BBC Wiltshire Sound newsroom has been buzzing with gossip and speculation

that Jimmy Quinn was in the running straight after that fateful news conference on the day we all said goodbye to the Gaffer.

But after that, there were clandstine late-night meetings at hotels in the town; our sports team were buying every newspaper in Britain to make sure no other journalist was scooping them; we scanned the internet hourly (and what a load of rubbish was circulating in the cyberspace); and of course we camped out here at the ground just in case we spotted a "face" in the crowd.

Some accuse those of us in the media of having glamorous job. But after the ninth 16-hour day on the trot, we could hardly even SAY the word Glamorous, least of all act like it! Maybe we'll write the when we've all had some sleep!

The appointment of the new boss has been a popular choice - and I hope it will turn out to be a succesful one as well. The rest of the season starts here and let's hope there's another book in writing just on the horizon - how about "Dramatic Turnaround for the Town- the Mighty Quinn success story." We'll have to wait and see if it's to be sold on the bookshelves under FACT or FICTION.

JON

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# MATCH..... STATS



## the officials

**Referee:**  
**Mr A. Bates**

Anthony is 36, and works as a production manager. He started refereeing in 1986 and progressed to become a Football League Linesman in 1993. In 1994, Anthony was promoted to the League Referee's Panel. His hobbies include cricket and watching speedway.

**Assistant Referees:**

**Mr A. M. Garratt**  
**Mr R.R. Maynard**

## match facts

**Half-Time Score**

**Full-Time Score**

**Today's Attendance**



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# TODAY'S TEAMS.....



**SWINDON  
TOWN**



**HUDDERSFIELD  
TOWN**



JIMMY GLASS	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	STEVE FRANCIS
FRANK TALIA	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	NICO VAESSEN
STEVE MILDENHALL	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	SAM COLLINS
CRAIG TAYLOR	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	JON DYSON
MARK ROBINSON	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	DARREN EDMONDSON
BRIAN BORROWS	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	KEVIN GRAY
ALAN McDONALD	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	THOMAS HEARY
ALAN REEVES	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	STEVE JENKINS
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TY GOODEN	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	ROB EDWARDS
SOL DAVIS	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	BARRY HORNE
DARREN BULLOCK	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	CHRIS HURST
BOBBY HOWE	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	GRANT JOHNSON
PHILIPPE CUERVO	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	LEE RICHARDSON
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ROBIN HULBERT	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	PAUL BARNES
SCOTT LEITCH	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	DAVID BERESFORD
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## NEXT HOME MATCH...

**Sat 24th October 1998**  
**Nationwide League Div 1**  
**3.00pm kick off VS WEST BROM**

