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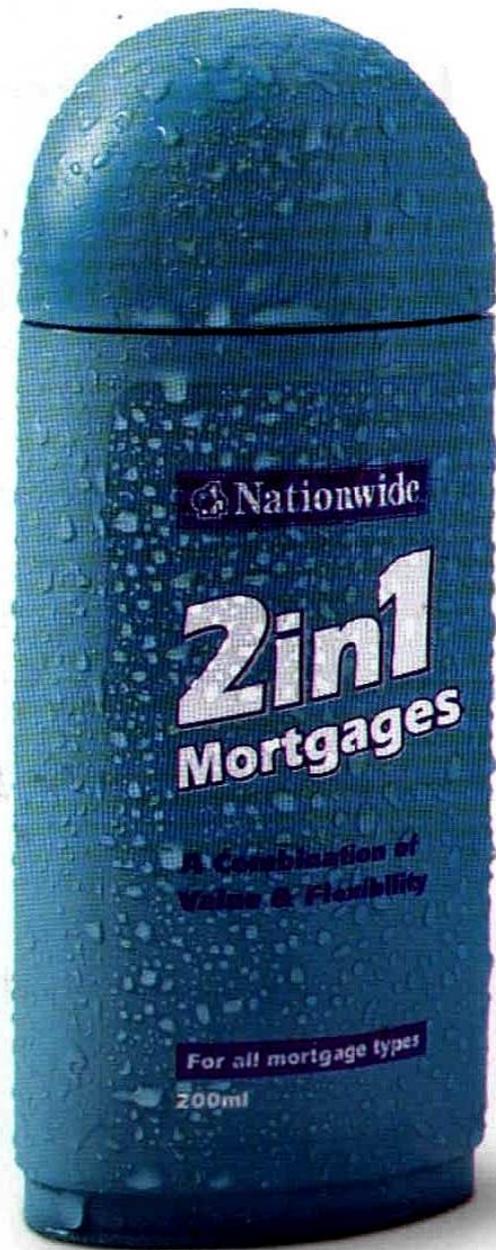
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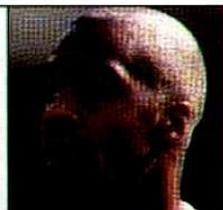
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editor's welcome

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Good afternoon and welcome to you all to today's match against Sheffield United.

Since our last home game against Stockport we have been on our travels to Fulham and then to Barnsley last Tuesday night. Sadly, we have come away goalless and pointless from these two tough fixtures and we now find ourselves at the very bottom of the First Division. It is difficult to cope with such a perilous position but it would be a lot worse if we were well worth our 24th place. However, performances have been very good and with a little luck the Town could have doubled their points total in the last three games. Jim Quinn has tried to change things a bit, especially away from home.

A new 5-4-1 line up against Fulham and



Barnsley was designed to frustrate the opposition, secure an away point and possibly catch them on a counter attack with George's pace up front and snatch

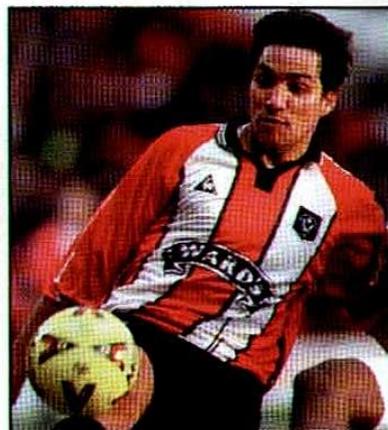
an away win. However, it wasn't to be and some resolute defending and a committed display was not rewarded. Substitutes came off the bench to score the winning goals in both games to deny Town well-deserved points, especially at Craven Cottage. We have only scored four goals in the last ten games, which outlines the problems we're having in front of goal.

However, Graz is fit again and hopefully he will be sharp in today's, what should be, attacking formation. A few goals in one game would really get us back on track and give everyone the belief that our luck is changing. The players and staff have the confidence that we are good enough to get out of this rut, but the business still needs to be done on the pitch.

Today we take on Sheffield United who are managed by Adrian Heath, a former Everton, Manchester City and Sheffield United player who has been welcomed back to Bramall Lane during the close season, after the departure of Steve Bruce to Huddersfield. The Blades have also struggled with inconsistent form this season but recent results suggest they will be hoping for a play-off place.

The £3m sale of young striker Lee Morris to Derby might provide the cash Heath needs to build his own squad and he may soon benefit further to the tune of £1m

with the proposed move of Brazilian striker Marcelo to Birmingham. Swindon Town would like to welcome Adrian Heath and his team plus the supporters, directors and staff who have travelled down from South Yorkshire.



Fixture change

Please note there has been a change of date for the up-coming fixture against Norwich City here at the County Ground.

Due to the Scotland v England European Championship play-off on Saturday 13th November, the Norwich fixture has been brought forward one day and will now take place on Friday 12th November kicking-off at 7.45pm.



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jim quinn's comment

Welcome to today's game against Sheffield United. We look forward to picking up some valuable points in our quest to climb the table.

Football's a very harsh game at times. We should, on performances, be sitting in a healthy position but unfortunately we need to start getting some points on the table. The spirit in the camp is still very good and, with a little bit of luck, I'm sure we can turn the corner. We do need to concentrate for the full 90 minutes. The Fulham game gave us an insight into how good we are against a promotion favourite. We should have had at least one point if not all three. It says it all when their goalkeeper is man of the match doesn't it.

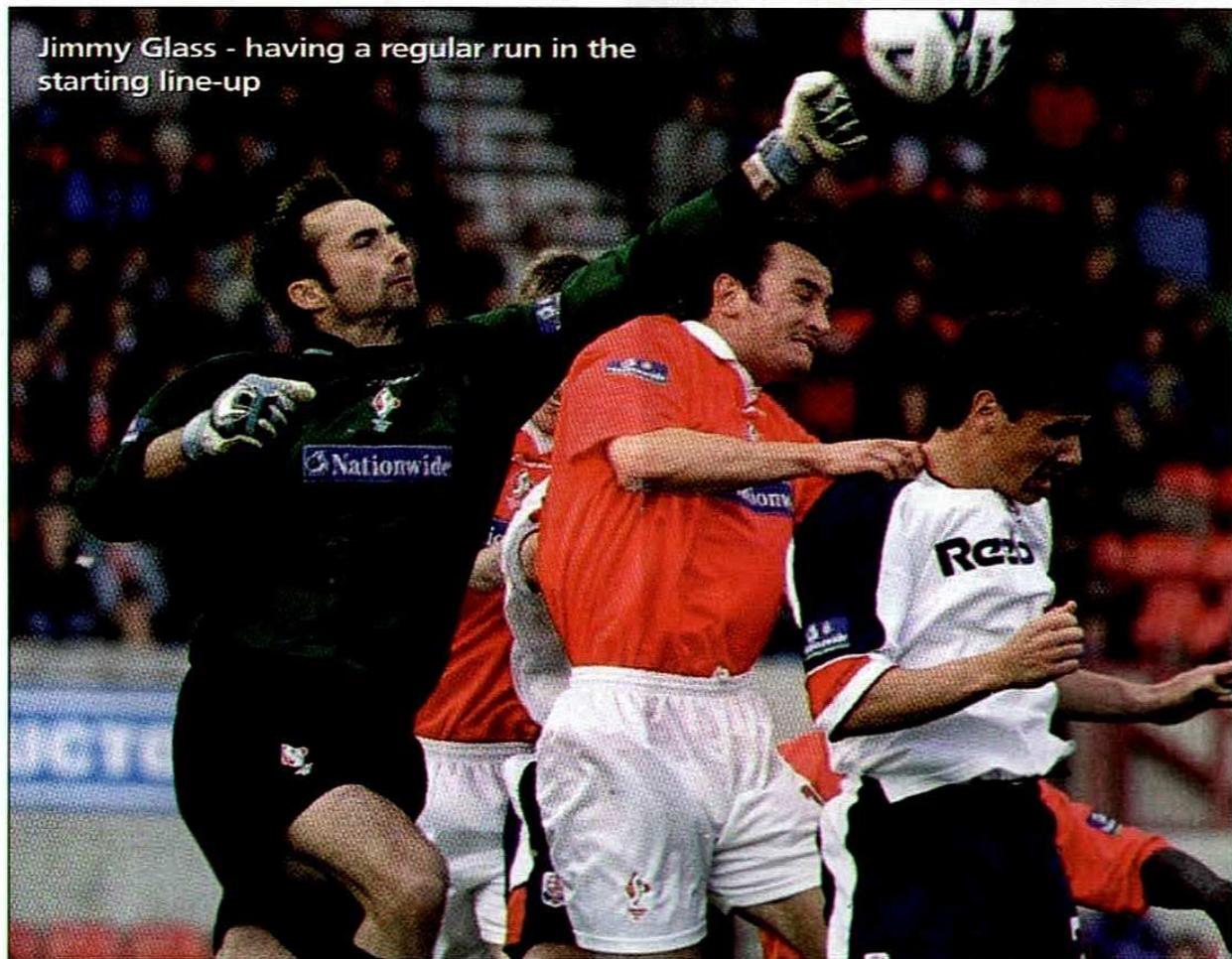
The number of our fans at the game (1,200) was fantastic for the players and myself and we would like to thank you for coming to London to support us.

I would like to welcome Adrian Heath, his staff and players to the County Ground today. We now have two consecutive home games and let's hope we can pick up some points and start climbing the table.

Once again, thanks for your support.



Jimmy Glass - having a regular run in the starting line-up



today's visitors

Like 11 other teams in Division One, Sheffield United have tasted top flight football in the past 10 years and, with the taste still lingering, are desperate to return to a division they last inhabited in 1994.

That being said, they are fully aware that this universal desperation to return has created the richest and most competitive second tier in history and after a boring draw at home to Walsall and a 6-0 mauling at Manchester City, the Blades' prospects were looking distinctly gloomy.

Adrian Heath has a young squad containing a number of highly rated players, and there is every chance that United can haul themselves back up the table and perhaps head towards the play-offs.

Of course this is all a far cry from the 80's when United endured spells in the Third and even Fourth Division and it was of course Dave Bassett who lifted them from obscurity to the top flight and a memorable Steel City FA Cup semi-final in 1993. Money always remained tight though and with the loss of talismanic striker Brian Deane, they lost their Premiership status, agonisingly, in stoppage time on the last day of the season.

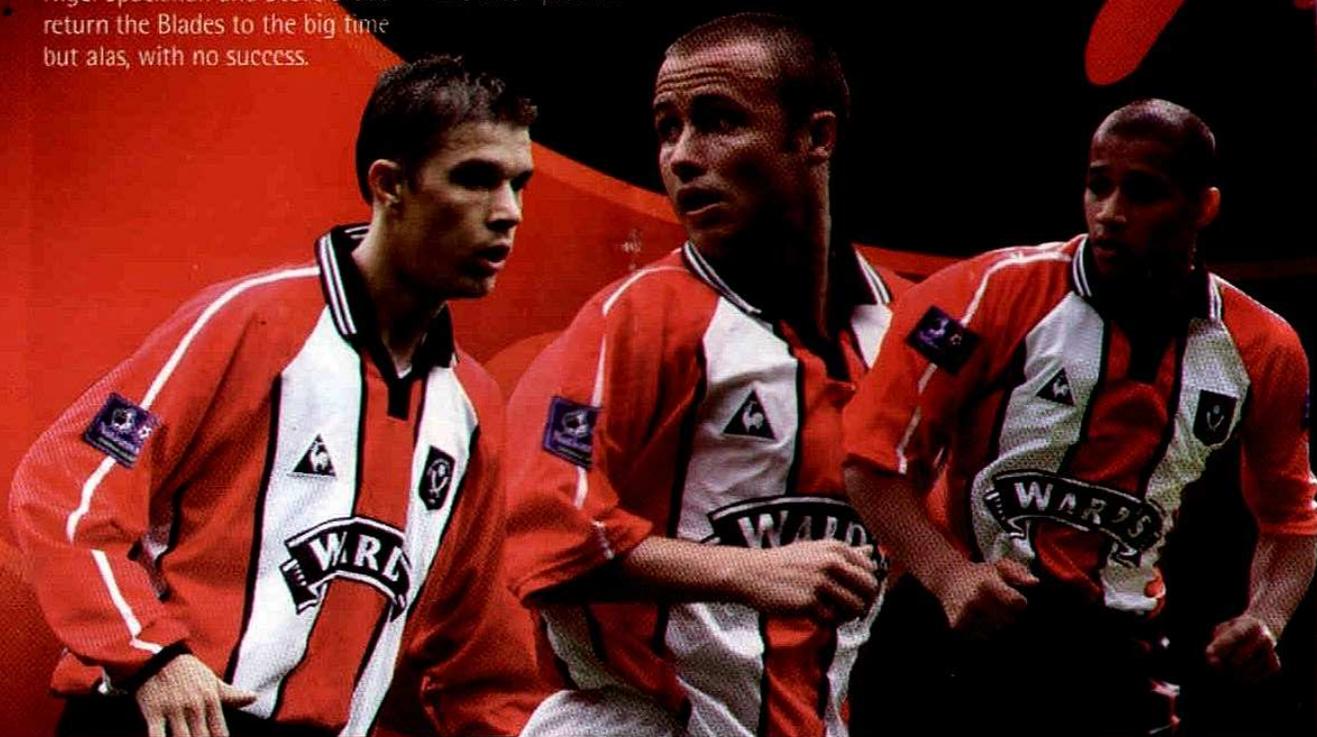
Since then a succession of managers – Howard Kendall, Nigel Spackman and Steve Bruce – have attempted to return the Blades to the big time but alas, with no success.

The Play-Off final of '97 was the closest they came and only a last minute wonder goal from Crystal Palace's David Hopkin sealed their fate.

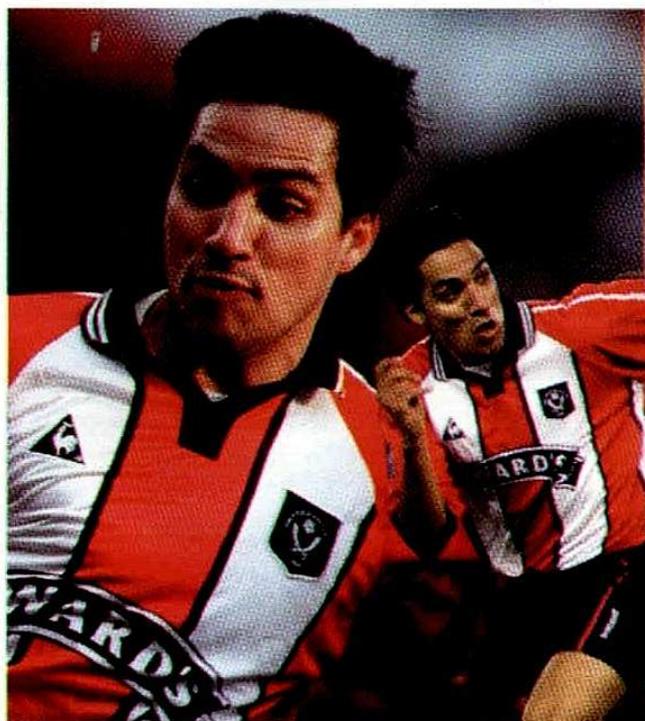
The following season United returned to the end of season lottery before losing at the semi-final stage to Sunderland, whilst also suffering heartache in the last four of the FA Cup at the hands of Cup Final party poopers, Newcastle.

Last season was a quiet one on the pitch, although with the departure of Steve Bruce, muttering darkly about a lack of financial support, they were never too far away from the news. A mid-table finish was secured and 'Inchy' Heath was appointed as manager.

There's no doubting the difficult nature of his task. The side has lost key men in Dean Saunders, Graham Stuart and David Holdsworth over the past season or so and though the young guns at Bramall Lane show immense promise, there are enough big guns shooting off in this division to make life very difficult indeed. A return to the business end of the table is not out of the question but, as for every side in this tier, it gets harder by the season.



marcelo



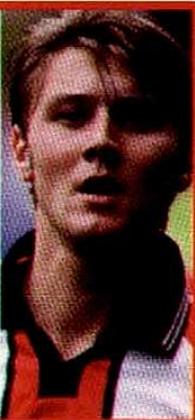
birthplace	Niteroi (Brazil)	
date of birth	11.10.69	
height	6ft	
weight	13st 8lb	
position	forward	
previous club records		
club	games	goals
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The Brazilian-born striker made an instant impression on the south Yorkshire faithful when he scored within five minutes of coming on as a substitute against QPR.

His next goal at Coventry in the FA Cup was another stunner. Marcelo (dos santos Cipriano) scored eight times in 1997/98 following his £400,000 switch from Spanish side Deportivo Alaves in October 1997 and has been a tonic for those who have despaired at United's relative fall from grace over the past couple of seasons. He's a Portuguese national and actually scored fourteen times in one season for Benfica before a change of management forced him to look elsewhere. The six foot striker earned his place in the first team after a seven goal burst in just four reserve matches early last season and last season quickly established himself as the Club's top striker with 20 goals to his name. An exciting and unpredictable forward (as they all should be) and definitely a player to keep an eye on this afternoon.

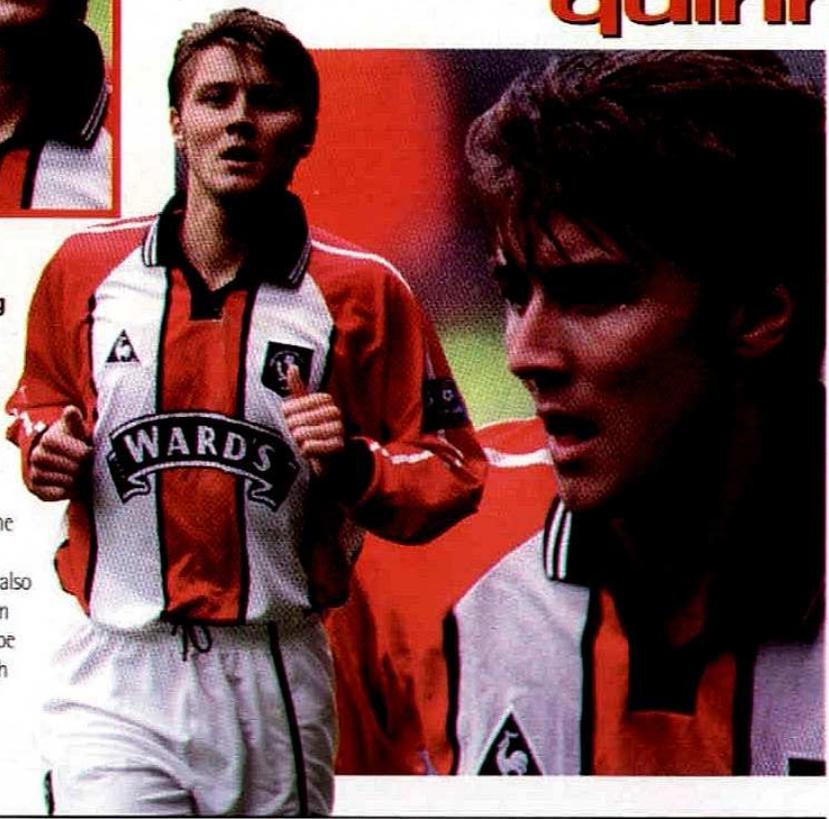
birthplace	Truro	
date of birth	19.11.76	
height	5ft 10	
weight	11st 11lbs	
position	midfielder	
club records		
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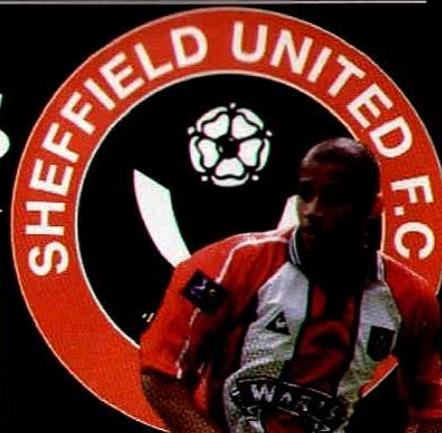
wayne quinn

The 1997-98 season will be long remembered by Wayne Quinn, whose impact at times was nothing short of sensational.

He began as a regular reserve with hopes of an eventual breakthrough and only made his debut in the first match of that season when Roger Nilsen was unfit and he went on to play 39 times. Having established himself as a wingback with a flair for going forward and crossing dangerously, he even overcame a mid-season injury to finish the campaign just as strongly as he had started it. He also won caps at England U 21 and B levels. Last season was one of consolidation – let's face it, it would be hard to top the previous campaign – but although strongly linked with a big move to Newcastle, stayed at the Lane and made 41 league starts to top the appearance chart. A fine young player, perhaps destined for the Premiership.



the players



Simon Tracey	
date of birth	09.12.67
height	6ft
weight	13st 12lbs
position	goalkeeper

One of the most familiar faces at the Lane, Simon has given loyal service for over ten years and must be one of the club's - and Dave Bassett's - best ever bargains. At his peak has been regarded as one of the land's finest goalkeepers with well over 250 starts to his credit, including 17 in the League last season.

Rob Kuzlok	
date of birth	05.08.77
height	5ft 8in
weight	10st 12lb
position	defender

Highly promising former Polish Youth international right back who has also been capped by England at U21 level. Came to Bramall Lane from Derby in March 1999 along with Jonathan Hunt in the deal which saw Vass Borbokis go in the other direction. Has slotted comfortably into United's defence.

Curtis Woodhouse

Lee Sandford	
date of birth	22.04.68
height	6ft
weight	13st 7lbs
position	defender

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Shaun Murphy	
date of birth	05.11.70
height	6ft 4ins
weight	12st
position	defender

Shaun became Adrian Heath's first signing when he joined United in the summer on a free transfer. The Australian international, who is an Olympic Bronze Medallist, hails from Sydney and arrived on these shores from Perth Italia when he joined Notts County and then West Brom.

Shaun Derry	
date of birth	06.12.77
height	5ft 10in
weight	10st 13lbs
position	midfielder

Injuries unfortunately restricted the U21 England International's appearances last season, his first full one since signing from Notts County for an initial £700,000, but his strong displays reminded everyone of the promise that prompted the Blades to pluck him from Meadow Lane following a Wembley play-off appearance.

Bobby Ford	
date of birth	22.09.74
height	5ft 9ins
weight	11st
position	midfielder

A mobile, well-balanced player with good passing ability and the stamina to cover a lot of ground in a game. Born in Bristol he was soon acquired by Oxford United and didn't take long to make an impression at the Manor Ground. Sold to United in December 1997 for around £500,000

Ian Hamilton	
date of birth	11.12.67
height	5ft 10in
weight	12st 3lb
position	midfielder

He cost United £325,000 on deadline day in 1998 from West Brom and figured pretty frequently last season. Has notched up more than 400 league appearances in the professional game having begun his career with Southampton and has enjoyed spells with Cambridge United and Scunthorpe.

Curtis Woodhouse	
date of birth	17.04.80
height	5ft 8in
weight	11st
position	midfielder

Having come through the ranks at Bramall Lane he was last season's Player of the Year - and United's youngest-ever winner of the coveted award. He was inspirational last season, his first full campaign, and his talents were recognised by England, for who he won under-21 and under-18 caps.

OTHER SQUAD MEMBERS:

Jonathan Hunt, Lee Morris, Nicky Marker, Jon O'Connor, Dane Woodhouse, Ben Doane, Paul Macari, Adam Burley, Paul Burke, Mark Camm, Craig McAughtrie, Matthew Mosley, Lee Walker, David Capper, Aidan Davison, Traianos Dellas, Davy Gijsbrechts, Ewan Henderson, Jamie Patterson, Andy Smith, Steven Parkinson, David White.

Paul Devlin	
date of birth	14.04.72
height	5ft 8in
weight	11st 5lb
position	forward

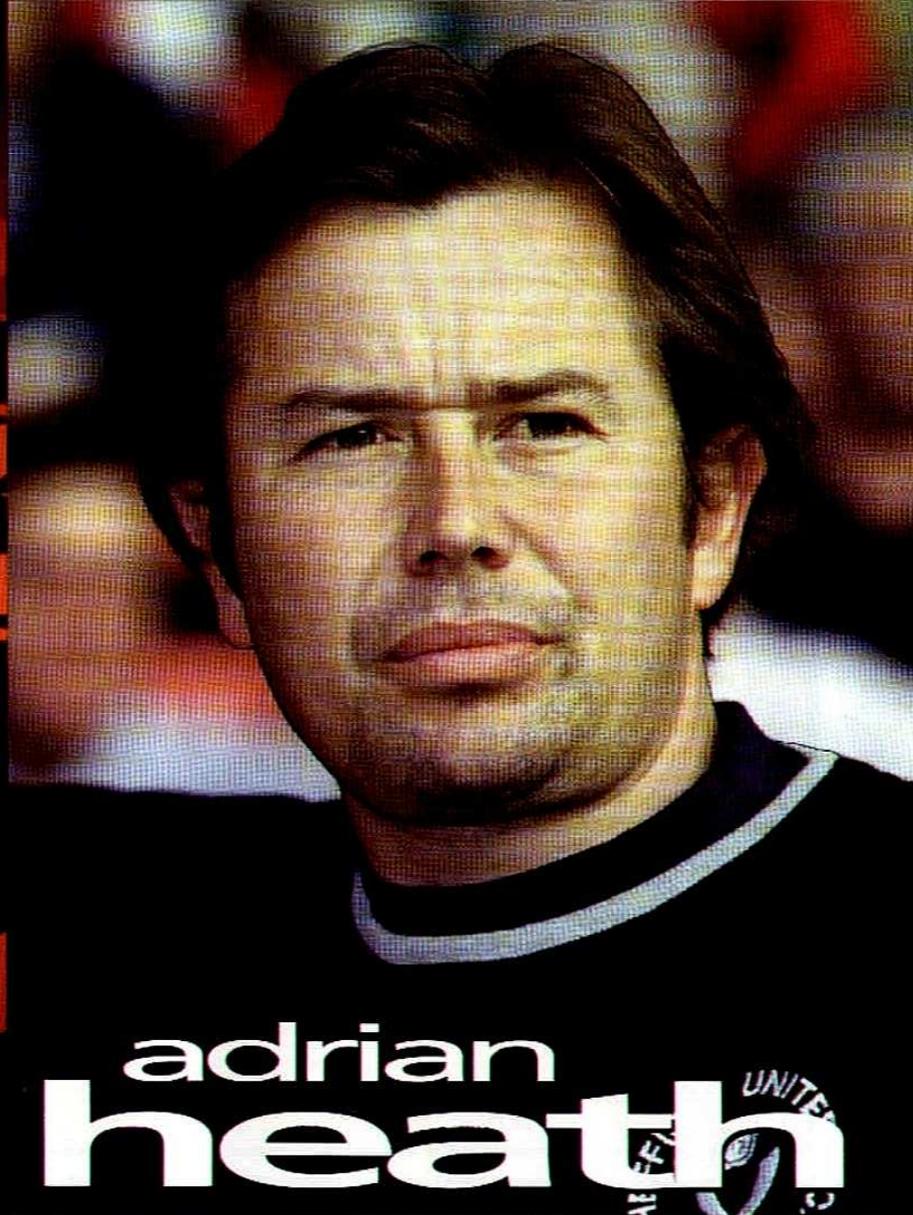
Previously with Notts County and Birmingham City, from whom he joined United for £200,000 in March 1998. Began last season on the bench but was virtually ever-present in the second half of the campaign. Scorer of six goals last season whilst setting up many more elsewhere.

Martin Smith	
date of birth	13.11.74
height	5ft 11in
weight	12st
position	forward

Frontman Martin, who is happy to play on the wing or down the middle, signed on a 'Bosman' just before the start of the season. He is well-known to Adrian Heath after their time together at Sunderland last season and is a very promising youngster, still only aged 24. Formerly an England under 21 international.

Petr Kachouro	
date of birth	02.08.72
height	6ft
weight	12st 6lb
position	forward

A £650,000 capture by Howard Kendall from Dinamo Minsk in the summer of 1996 he scored fourteen times in his first season. Elusive and quick, Petr was not surprisingly then voted Supporters' Player of the Year. Returned to form last season, despite injury problems, and netted a hat-trick in the November victory over Bury.



adrian heath

It seems from the outside to be one of the toughest jobs in football at present, following the premature departures of both Steve Bruce and Nigel Spackman, yet if Adrian Heath can recreate his gritty performances as a player United will not go too far wrong.

As one of the mainstays of Howard Kendall's all conquering Everton side in the mid 1980's he won the Division One Championship, FA Cup and European Cup Winners' Cup and also picked up eight England under 21s caps and an England B appearance. He moved into coaching with Sheffield United under Kendall himself and learned much in a brief three month spell at Bramall Lane before taking over the hot-seat at Burnley almost guiding them to promotion. He left to link with Kendall again at Everton, impressing once more away from the glare of the first team spotlight before taking control of Sunderland's reserve team under former Everton team mate Peter Reid's guidance. His experience as a coach is impeccable and it was no surprise when United offered him a tough but challenging job as the new boss at Bramall Lane. A sticky start will have tested his resolve although his considerable nous should see him and United right through this tough campaign.

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**forthcoming
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I would like to invite you to our hugely successful "general trivia" quiz night! This will be our third quiz night and will be held on Tuesday 9th November 1999, in the Winners' Lounge.

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In the first quiz night you might be amazed to hear that STFC staff team (captained by my good self!) finished last but on our last outing we moved up the ranks to finish 5th from bottom and, who knows, we could yet go on and win it!

If you think you have the answers - come and join us in the Winners Lounge. Due to the success of the last quiz night it is advisable that you enter your team/s as soon as possible. To book up and register your team please contact me in the Sales Dept on 01793 333 713.

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Club Chairman Rikki Hunt arrived this week at BBC Wiltshire Sound.

It was a glorious sunny Wiltshire afternoon. I watched Mr Hunt from an upstairs window at the radio station as he checked his tie, slipped on his jacket, and walked towards our studios.

He had agreed - yet again - to a live interview about his work, his new book and the future of the football club.

At a time when STFC are at the bottom of the league, cash-strapped and if you believe that day's newspaper headlines, urging its council landlords to waive around £100,000 in rent arrears as it struggles to make ends meet - headlines that were a gross misrepresentation of the truth by the way. And yet as I peered from my vantage point I could see Rikki

was smiling! Could he really be looking forward to another near-certain grilling from listeners and our lunchtime presenter Sandy Martin, I wondered. Let me say right now that I have a certain admiration for Mr Hunt - and another for his bank balance!

He doesn't believe in quitting, nor in shying away from his detractors. He has faced the music on more than one occasion in live phone-ins on BBC Wiltshire Sound; he gives full and frank interviews to national and local newspapers, and he gives his full support to Jim Quinn. I can think of some chairmen who would simply allow the mood of the fans to influence their decisions - and others who would jump ship or sell-up, leaving their former charges in a state of turmoil and confusion and without a leader.

So how does the Club's helmsman remain so positive, so focussed and so

determined to win? And why does he stay?

Well partly because of his belief in individualism; because he says he owes it to the other individuals at the Club and on the board to remain. He says he won't let STFC go under - because he would lose his house and businesses, but also because so too would his colleagues alongside him at the County Ground. Swindon Town is about more than the weekend performance on the pitch - it's about the board, the staff, the volunteers and the community involvement. All to some extent rely on Rikki Hunt for their future - and that is a responsibility that many would shy away from. But not the Chairman. And he deserves our support for that.

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Fans can have their say on footballNOW! - the new-look Nationwide soccer web site with up-to-the-minute news and features on England's European Championship campaign, the Premiership and all the big European competitions as well as the Nationwide Football League and The Nationwide Conference.

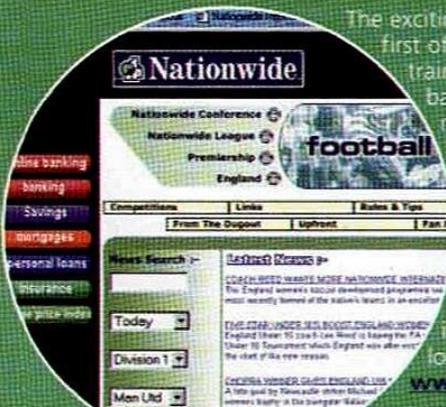
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The match against Barnsley was a very similar story to last Saturday- another substitute has come on and got a lucky goal and it takes a point away from us. It's very disappointing because we have worked very hard in the last two games and we have come away with nothing when perhaps we deserved at least a couple of points.

We have tried to frustrate both Fulham and Barnsley which has been fairly successful. We try to get at least a point from away games and anything more is a bonus. We used George as a lone striker in the hope that we might catch the opposition on the break. He's worked very hard up there and given defences a lot of problems but we know he can't do it on his own.

We now have two home games in quick succession and all we can do is carry on working hard, the way we have been. We do feel that we have the ability to beat teams but at the moment we are not putting the ball in the back of the net. Everything else about our game is good; we're defending well as a team and passing the ball well and working extremely hard to get the ball back but until we start scoring the goals that will win games we will continue to struggle for points.

This Saturday's game is very important and we will probably line up differently because we are at home and we need all three points. With all due respect to Sheffield United and Port Vale, they are both teams that we feel we can turnover at the County Ground. Things haven't been going well for us at the moment but we're certain that things will change for the better so we have to keep plugging away. If we can win these next two games then six points will do us the world of good and probably take us four or five places up the league and all will be well again but we will see what comes.

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reserve news

with Alan McDonald



Swindon Town 1 Leyton Orient 0

Obviously we are very pleased to get another win but it was a bit too close for comfort. We let ourselves down a bit in the second half and nearly let it slip. We passed the ball very well in the first half and created a number of chances, but we do have a problem throughout the club that we don't punish the opposition.

We could have gone in at the break three or four goals up and had a relatively comfortable second half. Instead we stopped passing and tried to do too much which was disappointing because we are a passing team. We do like to get the ball under control and pass it to one another.

In the end we scrapped through for the three points. On the positive side we did show that we had the right character to battle and not concede goals. We did have to rely on Frank Talia making two or three fantastic saves to keep us in front. If it wasn't for that, a lot of good, hard working performances in the first half would have gone down

the drain. We have to be more professional and finish teams off when we get the chances and try to be clinical in and around the box. If we can do that then we can continue to play nice attractive football.

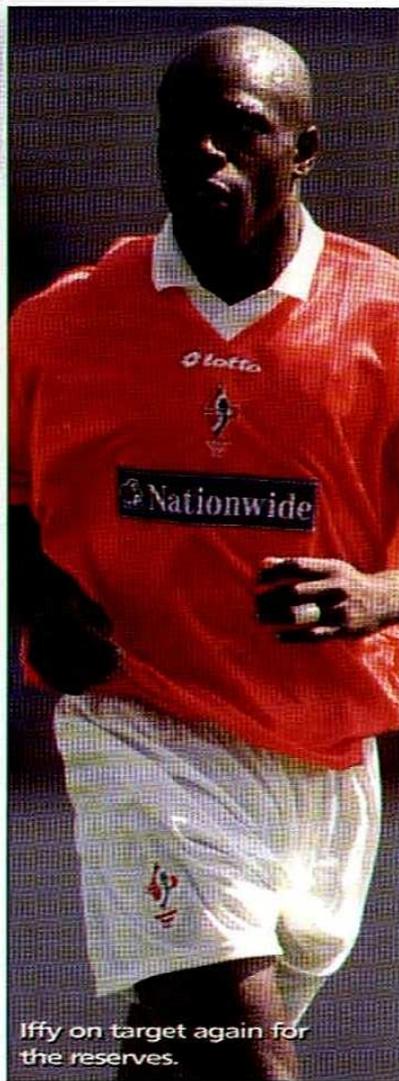
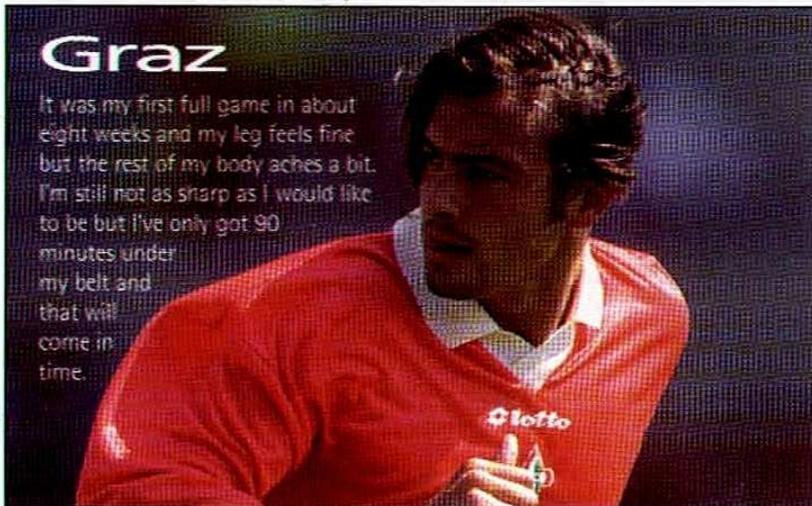
We are very pleased with our position and it's a real boost for the entire club. The players have set their own standards in this division which in the majority have been extremely good in the six games we've played. I can only pick out the second half against Leyton Orient when we fell below those standards.

It was Graz's first game back and he looked rusted which is inevitable after being out for so long. He missed a couple of chances that a fit Graz would have stuck away. It was excellent that he got 90 minutes under his belt, which is the first step and he is a little bit tired. But he's a great professional and he'll be working hard in training to get back to full fitness and then it's only a matter of time until he's back to full production.

Iffy got himself on the scoresheet again and acquitted himself very well throughout the whole 90 minutes. I would reckon that he won 95% of the balls in the air and held up the ball well in advanced positions. We keep saying that strikers thrive on goals and he has scored twice in his last two games for the reserves so it's working well for him.

Graz

It was my first full game in about eight weeks and my leg feels fine but the rest of my body aches a bit. I'm still not as sharp as I would like to be but I've only got 90 minutes under my belt and that will come in time.



Iffy on target again for the reserves.

Reserve League Fixtures Season 1999/2000

Wed Aug 18	Cambridge Utd	4-0
WED SEPT 1	NORTHAMPTON T.	2-1
Wed Sept 8	Luton Town	1-0
wed sept 22	BARNET	4-3
Tue Oct 05	Millwall	2-0
WED OCT 13	LEYTON ORIENT	1-0
WED OCT 27	FULHAM	2.00PM
Wed Nov 03	Bristol City	2.00pm
WED NOV 17	PORTSMOUTH	2.00PM
Wed Dec 08	Oxford United	7.30pm
Tue Dec 14	O.P.R.	7.30pm
WED DEC 22	WYCOMBE W.	2.00PM
Wed Jan 12	Brighton & H.A.	7.30pm
WED Jan 19	BOURNEMOUTH	2.00pm
Wed Feb 02	Bristol Rovers	7.30pm
WED FEB 09	NORWICH CITY	2.00PM
Wed Feb 23	Ipswich Town	7.00pm
WED MAR 01	COLCHESTER UTD	2.00PM
WED MAR 15	PETERB'RO UTD	2.00PM
Wed Mar 29	Southend United	7.45pm
Wed Apr 05	Gillingham	7.30pm

Cash at the turnstiles, Adults £3.00, Concessions £1.00. Free entry to season ticket holders & JS card holders. Kick-Off for home fixtures will be at 2.00pm.

focus on the youths

with Tom Jones



We keep getting involved in high scoring games and last weekend was no exception -

Unfortunately we were on the wrong end of the 4-2 scoreline against Cardiff City in the Youth Alliance League. It seems that I could write the same programme notes every week and just change the fixture! Like many of our games this season we were much the better side footballing wise but we keep leaking goals at the back through lapses in concentration. Again it was individual errors that cost us the match rather than a poor team performance. It's fair to say that for an hour, Cardiff hardly had a kick

of the ball and we found ourselves being beaten 4-2.

We're trying to improve concentration because there are spells when we seem to switch off and in certain positions that's a luxury you can't afford. It looks like we're most vulnerable when the ball is in the oppositions final third because the opposition just punt a long ball forward and we get caught ball watching rather than marking the man. It is important that the lads understand that when your not having a lot of possession at the back, you are still in the game and need to be alert at all times.

Danny Jeffery got both goals for us taking his total to eight so far this season, which is a decent strike rate for a striker. He's been tucking them away well, but with the chances we create it's fair to say he could have had more. We've got some League Cup fixtures coming up in the next month which will be played on a

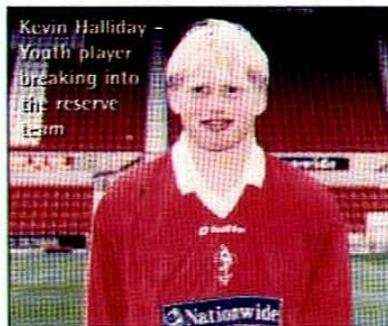
round robin basis. The top two teams in the group will automatically go through to the next round and then out of the 11 groups around the country, the best five third-placed teams will also qualify for the next round.

The final is at Wembley and players do not get many chances to go to Wembley in their career and especially as the current one is due to be demolished, so they will really be up for those games. Of course we go out to win every game but when there is a chance of playing at Wembley riding on it you will try that little bit extra.

The 'B' team won 3-0 away against Bashley and lost by the same margin a week later against Bath City. Bath had a strong side out with quite a few lads who are a lot older than what are virtually our Under 16s. It's good experience and they will have to wait until they develop physically and then they will be able to show off their talents to a greater degree.

centre of excellence with Phil Cannon

We have now signed Paul Snoddon who has already won two caps for N. Ireland Under16s as well as several schoolboy caps for them.



He came to the County Ground for the first time on Monday after I had visited him and his family in N. Ireland to sign him up. On Tuesday he received some terrific news being called-up for N. Ireland's European Championships which is next week.

Last weekend the Centre of Excellence took on Swansea in the various age groups. They were all great games and in the end the two clubs shared the spoils. They could have gone either way with the odd goal here and there levelling the match results.

The Under 14s travelled to Swansea and were involved in a fantastic game and Chris Taylor was outstanding but ended up on the losing side. However, it wasn't really a bad result for us as the Under 14s have only lost once in the last two years. It's done them no harm whatsoever to get a bit roughed-up by Swansea. As they get older they are starting to learn the physical side of the game. They have a lot of skill but they are starting to understand that when they do not have the ball they can't do anything with it and have to work very hard to get it back. Opposition teams are realising that our boys are a great

team and try to stop them playing football, so this week in training and over the next couple of weeks we're going to focus on working hard to win back possession as far up the pitch as possible.

We do ask them to work hard but it is up to them and their attitude towards the game that will motivate them to 'get stuck in' and win possession. There are nasty tackles flying about but we do not tell our lads to do the same back because that isn't the way forward for them or the club. However, sometimes we ask our lads to be committed to 50/50 tackles and run the risk of being hurt to win the ball back. It is a quality that they will need if they want to develop and progress. We would certainly prefer a lad who is over enthusiastic in the challenge because we can always ask them to turn the gas down, we can't instil something that isn't there in the first place.

We have fixtures coming up next week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and a round-robin tournament on Thursday at Supermarine, so come along because everyone is welcome.

the editor talks with Jimmy Glass...

Q How and where did you begin your career?

A I signed for Crystal Palace as a schoolboy moving on to an apprenticeship and then signed as a pro spending about five years there. I didn't really get in the side much so I moved to Bournemouth and had two very happy years at Dean Court.

Q You experienced success there didn't you?

A During my first season at Bournemouth I did start in the team, but had a little falling out with the manager and got dropped for a couple of games. We sorted that out and then I played in the next 100 games or so. It was a difficult time because all sorts of things were happening at the club when it was in financial trouble, despite this the football team gelled quite nicely and we went to Wembley in the Auto Windscreens Shield. When my contract expired, I fancied a move and was lucky to sign for Swindon.

Q You have been in and out of the side since you signed, how are you finding your good run lately?

A I have had to wait a while. When Steve McMahon signed me I half expected to start every game because I had been a regular at Bournemouth and been successful. But, that was probably a bad thing really, all I wanted to do was to play football. I started two games at the beginning of last season winning both. An injury meant that I didn't play again until we got thumped by QPR and destroyed against Ipswich, which didn't help my position!

This season Frank got injured, which was unlucky for him, and I came into the side for that terrific result against Blackburn. We did badly at home to Bolton, then we played Stockport where admittedly I made a

blunder although on the whole I played well. I've been playing quite well recently, taking crosses and making saves but with goalkeepers, it takes a while to get your eye back in after being out of league football for such a long while.

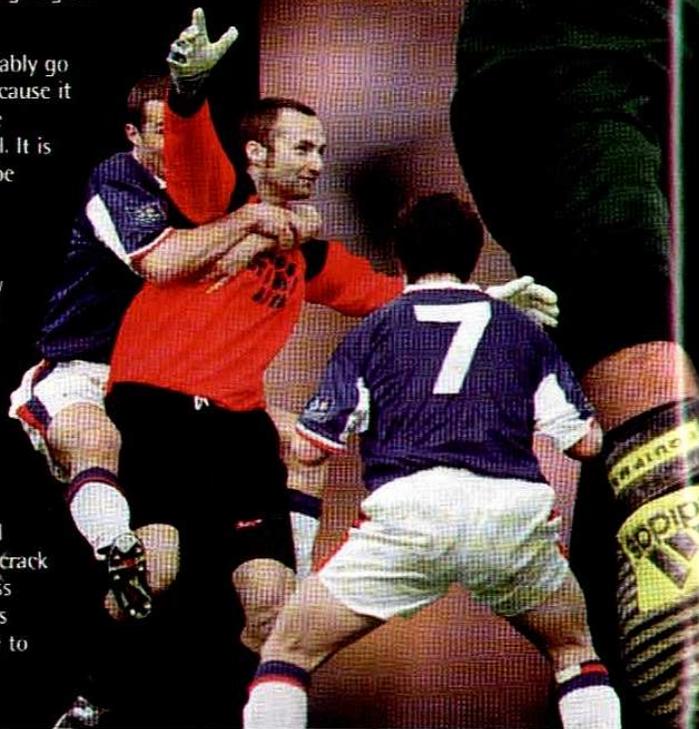
Q I'm afraid any Jimmy Glass interview would not be complete without a Carlisle story:

A That's a shock! Basically, because last season was such a right off for me I looked at that loan move as a good experience. I don't think many players would go to Carlisle for the last three games of the season. Plus I didn't realise they were in relegation trouble until I had a proper look at the table. I went up anyway and the rest is history.

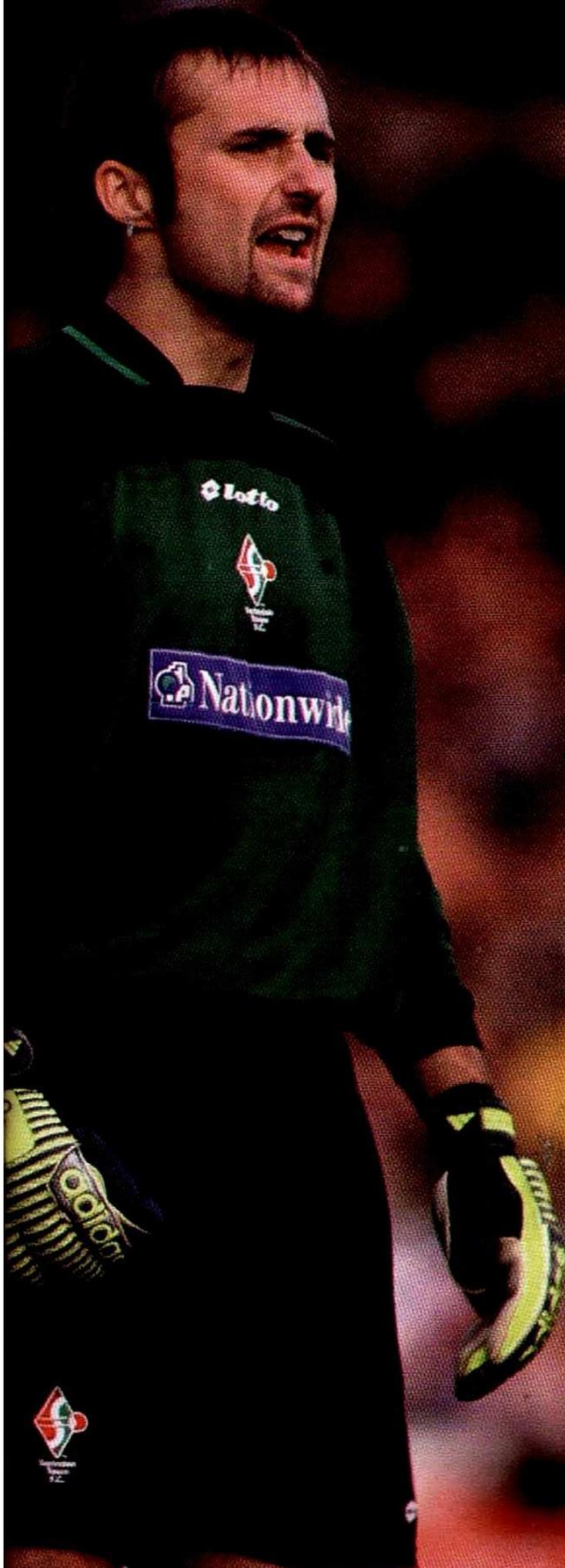
Q Would that be the highlight of your career so far?

A Because there was so much national recognition attached to it and scoring a League goal probably yes.

That goal will probably go down in history because it was such a strange moment in football. It is a great feeling to be remembered for it but it does have its downside. The problem I face now is that every time I make a mistake or have a good game the spotlight is turned on me. Following the Stockport game one of the national headlines read, "A crack appears in the Glass legend." Sometimes goalkeepers do like to be anonymous.



glass talks



glass

player stats



birthplace **Epsom**

date of birth **01.08.73**

height **6ft 1ins**

weight **13st 4lbs**

position **goalkeeper**

previous club records

club	games	goals
Carlisle (I)	3	1
Bournemouth	109	-
Crystal Palace	0	0

getting personal..

favourite film

Star Wars

favourite tv show

Only Fools and Horses

favourite band/musician

Everything really

favourite sporting event

Wimbledon tennis

favourite footballer

David Beckham

favourite food

Kebabs!

favourite drink

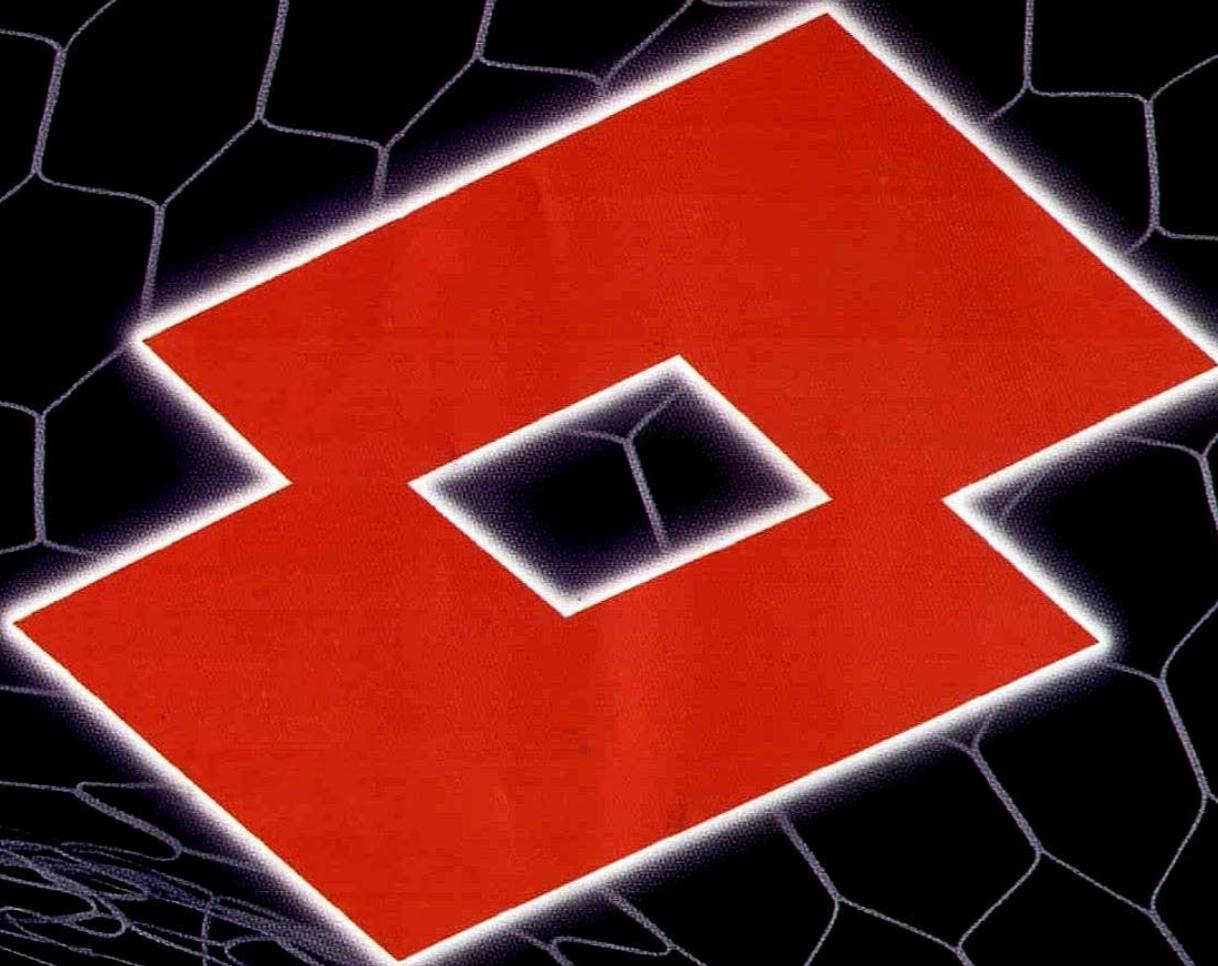
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favourite hobbies

Golf

favourite colour

Silver



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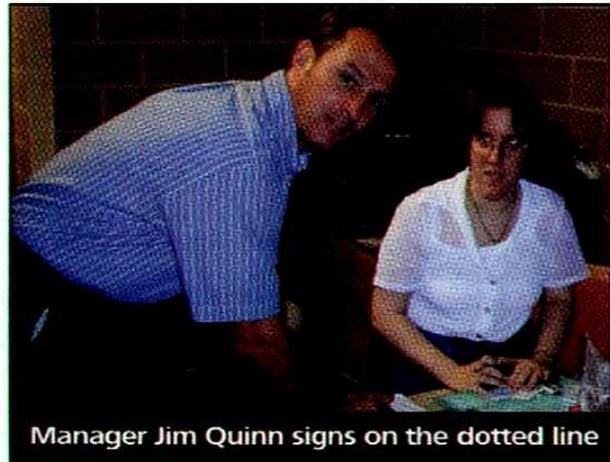
**A very special
thank you today to Gareth Davies who
has agreed to offer and help with the
Junior Robins activities.**

On a more concerning note we have been approached by a small number of supporters who have been unhappy with the treatment they have received at the hands of stewards or indeed Police at recent matches. Whilst we would not condone any anti social behaviour the incidents as relayed would appear to have resulted in an over the top reaction. Times are difficult in and around the Football Club at the moment and it cannot afford to have supporters alienated for whatever reason. We will always be happy to take to the Football Club and authorities issues such as these which arise but clearly it will help our discussions if we can be certain of positive identification eg number of the steward etc involved.

Just as important we are delighted to report on some really positive news on away travel. That is the first official away trip for the disabled travellers which is running to the West Brom match on 29th January. Initial interest makes it seem likely that

demand for places may outstrip available places and we can only encourage anyone wishing to be on this inaugural trip to contact the away travel information service on 01793 825935.

Another first for the travel service is the setting up of a centre aimed at supporters who may wish to car share to matches and this is not just for those who travel away but also importantly for those who attend home matches. This is a superb way to reduce the cost of getting to matches and no doubt establish some friendship along the way. If you are at all interested it will only cost the price of a phone call and the telephone number to ring is the same as that for the away travel information service quoted above.



Manager Jim Quinn signs on the dotted line

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in the community

with Clive Maguire and Jon Holloway



Good afternoon everybody and welcome to today's important Division One fixture against Sheffield United.

Today we are proud to welcome our special guests from Stratton Juniors Under 13s who are having their team photo taken before today's match in their brand new kit and tracksuit. Team managers Marcus Cooke and Pete Levitt would like to say a big thank you to Cooke & Marsh Decorating Ltd, AK20 Nobel Paints and the original Stratton Tandoori for their kind generosity which has gone towards the lads looking so smart!

You may have seen our new Community Office mini-bus darting through the streets of Swindon lately. Jon and I are pictured below with it in all its glory at a recent area meeting held in Bristol. Our counterparts from Oxford United - Peter Rhoades-Brown kindly gave us the picture. The van has proved to be a great success, enabling us to go further afield and it's certainly making one or two heads turn as we go on our way to various venues around Swindon and neighbouring towns.

If any of you out there are thinking of having your birthday party before Christmas, the only dates we have left are as follows:

November 2nd, 3rd, 12th and 14th.
December 1st, 3rd, 7th, 8th, 15th and 17th.
Give us a call a.s.a.p. for further information.

Pictured right is Joshua Phelps (back middle) with all his friends from Cirencester celebrating his birthday here at Swindon Town F.C. last month.

Finally, it's not too late to enrol for next week's half-term course here at the club, so get your forms from main reception or give us a call on 01793 421303.

Best wishes, Clive and Jon.



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I hope you are all getting ready for our Disco tomorrow night in the Winners' Lounge starting at 7.30pm. Remember, admission is just 50p and all proceeds go towards our Christmas Disco.

Now is the time for anyone who wants to take part in training sessions at the Oasis on Monday evenings to reserve their place. This can be done at the Oasis reception and it costs £14 for a seven week session.

If anyone hasn't received their membership cards yet, they can pick them up from the Information Centre on matchdays between 1.30pm and 2.45pm.

If anyone requires further information about the Junior Robins or has any ideas of things we could possibly organise then please contact Kevin on 01793 333757 or write to us C/O Swindon Town F.C., County Ground, County Road, Swindon, SN1 2ED

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Home today's lucky mascot

REBECCA ALDERMAN

celebrated her 11th Birthday last Tuesday and is today's lucky mascot. Rebecca has been watching Swindon since the age of 4 (Vs Grimsby '94) and Fraser Digby is her all-time favourite Swindon player. Her current favourites are Iffy Onuora and George Ndah. She attends Bramley Primary School and in her spare time enjoys swimming and taking care of her Guinea pig.



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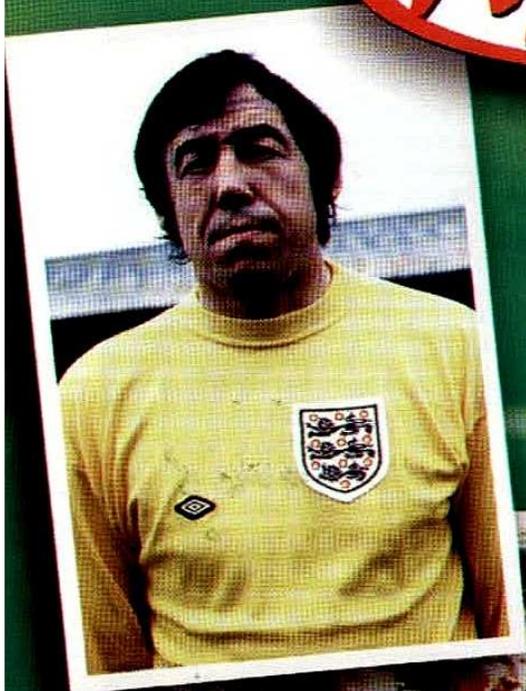
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in our thoughts

We would like to remember two Town fans who recently passed away.

John Merriman of Highworth had been a keen supporter since moving to the area in the early 1970s and had been a season ticket holder for the last ten years. He died suddenly at the age of 63 and will be sorely missed by his family and friends.

Pictured here is the late Ernest William Taylor who sadly died in August of this year. He was a life long supporter of Swindon Town Football Club and 'Ernie' was 89 years of age when he passed away. Swindon Town would like to thank both John and Ernest for their support and our thoughts are with thier friends and families.



Ernest William Taylor meets former Town star Mickey Hazard

news from the treatment room

with Dick Mackey & Dave Moore



Things have been looking very good at the moment because we sent a large squad up to Barnsley.



Lee Collins joined in training for the first time on Friday (15th) and did a little bit of work with the first team squad. He's been doing a lot of running and spells of 'quick-feet' work. He's been training with the lads who didn't travel to Barnsley and has been feeling pretty good - doing extra work in the afternoon to build his fitness levels up. I would think that after this week, in theory, he will be available for selection. He needs to get match fitness because he has been out a long time, he's always kept himself in decent shape and his fitness levels are continually good. I just hope that his injury does not manifest himself in a negative way during games. Last time he came back after injury he looked uncomfortable, so I'm determined to get that right this time.



Scott Leitch is feeling better every day and I would hope that by this weekend we'll start something more vigorous again because at the moment we're resting him in quite large amounts - swimming, rest, small amounts and then rest again.



Philippe Cuervo has been up at Supermarine this week and got involved with some ball work, which again is interspersed with swimming, trampete work, rowing and cycling. So he is definitely working hard enough but he will still be out for a while.



Paul McAreavey hurt his knee in the pre-season friendly against Wimbledon and has been in and out of the treatment room ever since. We keep trying to push him on and I'm more hopeful now than I have ever been, he trained this morning (Tues) with the players that didn't travel. He is another that without any retrograde steps should be available to play next week. Unfortunately the reserves do not have a fixture but hopefully there will be some sort of game he can get involved in.

As far as the physio department is concerned we are very happy with the way things have been going. They now have a decent sized squad to pick from and if you look at the bench there will be quality players hoping to get in the side which is a luxury we have not always had this season. I'm not sure what the line up will be against Sheffield United but barring any injuries against Barnsley, the bench will look strong.



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Lee Collins 16



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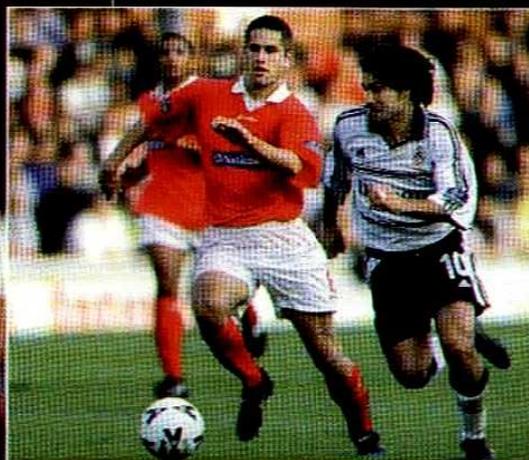
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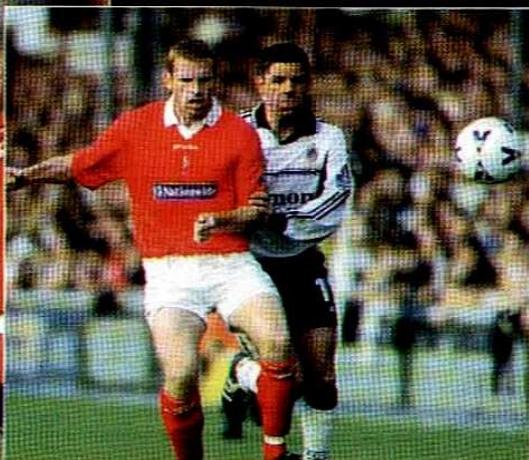
(left) Karl Heinz Riedle climbs above Gareth Davies to win the header



Paul Thirlwell gets there in time to stop pacy Paul Peschisolido



Gareth Davies up-ends Paul Peschisolido



Gareth Davies gets in front of Steve Hayward and wins possession.

**Fulham 1
Swindon Town 0**

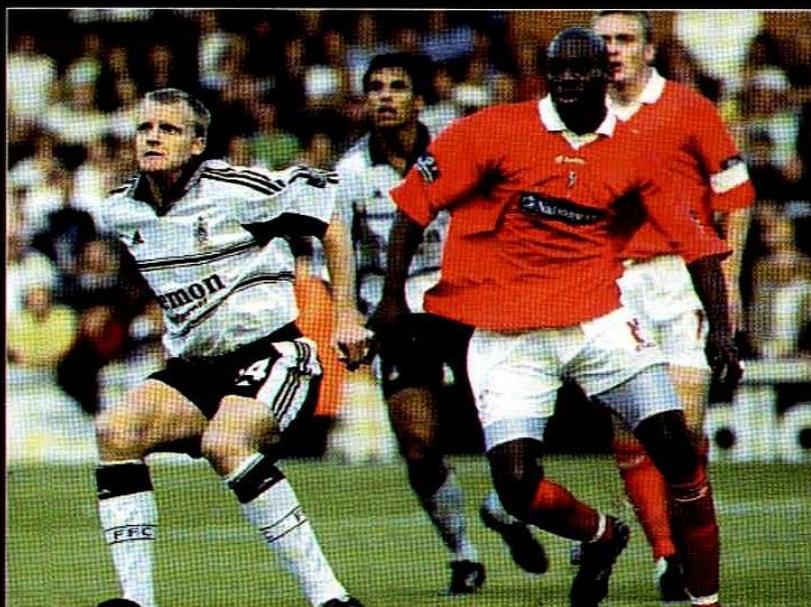


match facts

Date: Saturday 16th October
Pitch: Excellent
Weather: Bright
Attendance: 13,715
Referee: T Leake (Average)



Gareth Hall holts Lee Clark's progress and pushes him into touch.



Simon Morgan & George Ndah anticipate a dropping ball.

HOW THEY LINED UP

Jimmy Glass, Mark Robinson, Gareth Hall, Gareth Davies, Alan Reeves, Andy Williams, Paul Thirlwell, Bobby Howe, George Ndah, Ty Gooden, Mark Walters.

Substitutes:

Iffy Onuora (for Gooden, 68)

Chris Hay

Adam Willis

Shots on target: Fulham 5, Town 6
Shots off target: Fulham 6, Town 4
Free Kicks: Fulham 13, Town 13
Caught Offside: Fulham 2, Town 2
Corners: Fulham 7, Town 7
Town Bookings: Robinson.

It was another one of those days that have become all too familiar in recent weeks. The Town had a new look formation combined with the familiar commitment and work ethic that has given everyone reason to suspect that their position at the foot of the table does them no justice whatsoever.

George Ndah was pushed forward as the lone striker giving Jim the option of playing four in midfield and five at the back. It was a tactic that kept a resurgent Fulham at bay for most of the match and if anyone, it was Swindon that could have opened the scoring early on - Ndah's header just going wide of Taylor's post. Ndah was again in sparkling form causing experienced defenders like Kit Symons and Chris Coleman all sorts of problems. The two teams exchanged half-chances and periods of pressure and Jimmy Glass was quick to deny former Town trainee Paul Trollope before Paul Peschisolido blasted over from short range.

However, all Town's hard work was undone when Hayward's free-kick was too hot to handle and Geoff Horsfield tucked away the loose ball. It was a bitter pill for Quinn and another fine performance was not rewarded.

match action

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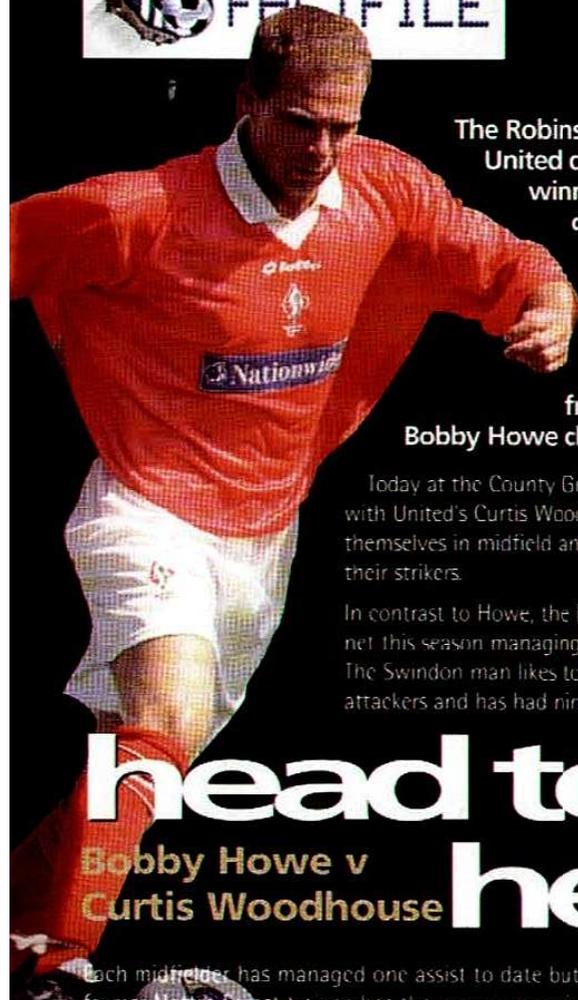
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The Robins entertain Sheffield United desperate to get back to winning ways and pull clear of early season relegation worries. Swindon have recorded just two victories all season with the last being against Blackburn when goals from Mark Walters and Bobby Howe claimed the three points.

Today at the County Ground, Howe goes head-to-head with United's Curtis Woodhouse, each hoping to impose themselves in midfield and create the opportunities for their strikers.

In contrast to Howe, the Blades star has yet to find the net this season managing only one shot on target so far. The Swindon man likes to get forward in support of his attackers and has had nine efforts at goal this term.

head to head

Bobby Howe v Curtis Woodhouse

Each midfielder has managed one assist to date but the former Nottm Forest trainee has the more impressive passing statistics, finding a teammate with 77 per cent of his 326 passes.

Woodhouse likes to show the way when running with the ball making 21 forays and successfully completing 86 per cent.

Neither player is afraid of their defensive duties either with Howe winning 41 per cent of tackles. The Sheffield man shows his steel winning 35 per cent of challenges and also having made 12 clearances this season.

Howe will be looking to supply the ammunition for Iffy Onuora and George Ndah although Woodhouse has Division One's leading goalscorer Martin Smith to provide for.



minutes on pitch:
Howe: 984
Woodhouse: 734

goal attempts

	Howe	Woodhouse
goals	1	0
shots on target (inc goals)	3	1
shots off target	6	3
blocked shots	0	3

passing

	Howe	Woodhouse
goal assists	1	1
total passes	326	255
pass completion	77%	69%

crossing

	Howe	Woodhouse
total crosses	44	8
cross completion	32%	13%

dribbling

	Howe	Woodhouse
dribbles & runs	24	21
dribble completion	71%	86%

defending

	Howe	Woodhouse
tackles made	17	20
tackles won	41%	35%
blocks	4	3
clearances	7	12
interceptions	9	3

discipline

	Howe	Woodhouse
fouls	10	14
offside	1	5
yellow cards	1	1
red cards	0	0

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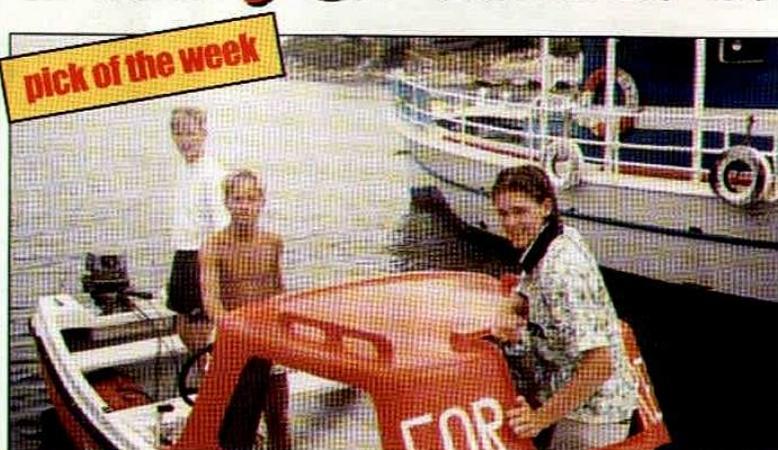
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sailing away

Ryan Ostle is 'showing his old-school colours' on holiday in Corfu. Unfortunately, his shipmates Ian Skinny and Leon Vitti did not have their Town tops. So they all did a Duran Duran impression instead!

Thanks Ryan, but we don't think that's what they mean when they say "down the hatch!"

The 92 club...the club for the fan that has done the lot.

The club was founded in June 1978 with just 39 members and is open to all those football supporters who have visited all the current 92 Premier and Football League grounds for a first team match. The number of qualifiers has steadily increased and now boasts over 1000 members. The aim of the club is to provide formal recognition of this special achievement. The club also hold informal meetings at selected games from time to time and this is a good opportunity to meet follow fans from other clubs with a similar interest.

At the present time 12 Swindon Town fans have reached this goal and joined this exclusive club, but if any other supporter has completed the current 92, or is going to mount a serious challenge in the coming months, then full details of the club can be obtained by sending an S.A.E. to: The 92 Club, 104 Gilda Crescent, Whitchurch, Bristol BS14 9LD

To assist keeping records of various matches attended the club also produces a very popular 'Complete Statistical Record Book' with space to record line-ups, substitutions, scorers, attendances and even weather conditions! The book can be obtained for only £2.00 inc. of p&tp from the above address.

The way football is now structured it is ever more vital that you support Swindon Town through the turnstiles at home and by bringing a friend or family member to the County Ground. So make sure you're a regular attendee at the County Ground and don't forget that any new grounds you visit with Swindon Town will take you a step closer to that 92-club goal.

Good Luck and enjoy your football.

Mark Sheldrake

Phone fixed on redial, hands nimbly dialling waiting for a sign, any sign that the continual sound of the engaged tone would soon end. Across the country millions were doing the same, levels of efficiency (particularly at my desk) were soon falling to all time lows.

Any incoming phone call was greeted with a mixture of apathy and anger - who on earth would phone at a time like this, these calls were rapidly becoming about as welcome as a kick to the groin. I could hear the beeping sound on the phone informing me that another caller was on the line but it had no affect on me, they could wait - this couldn't.

Of course it took all of five minutes to realise that the odds of me getting through to the magic ticket man at the end of the line were about as slim as me being unveiled as the new Prime Minister before the year was out but this failed to deter me. The aim of these calls of course to attempt to secure tickets for the Euro 2000 play-off match between England and those unruly intruders from north of the border at Wembley. I had seen the Euro '96 showdown from the comfort of a local pub but the atmosphere was so passionate and the rivalry so intense that I decided that the only place to view this match was at Wembley itself. If ever there was a fitting match to end the decade then this is most decidedly it. The 90's had begun with Italia '90 and heartbreak in Turin and it is ending at Wembley with a match against the Auld Enemy with a place in Euro 2000 at stake.

As the day progressed I finally began to admit defeat, it would be the Fox and Hounds and not the national stadium. The big screen had won the day. I could still sing my heart out for the lads, wear my England shirt and drink plenty of lager I just wouldn't be able to get crushed at Wembley Park tube station, freeze down Wembley way and maybe discover what lies beneath a length of tartan! In fact now I've put all this down on paper the Fox and Hounds is sounding more tempting by the minute!

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looking ahead

Today we take a look at Swindon Town's next two fixtures. Next Tuesday we entertain Port Vale at the County Ground, followed by a trip to the Reebok Stadium to face Bolton.

Port Vale



the lowdown...

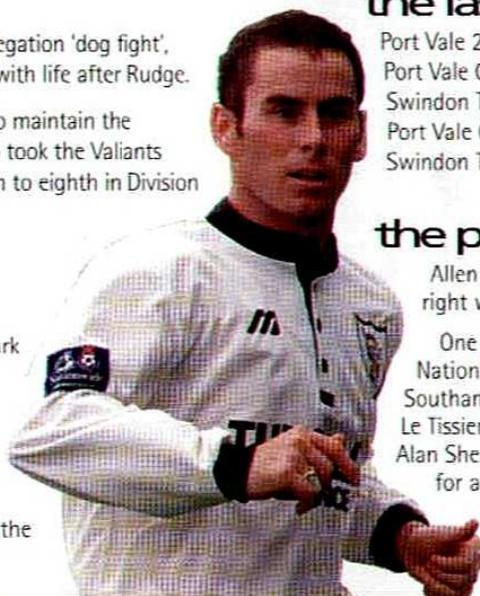
Another survivor of last season's relegation 'dog fight', the Valiants are now getting to grips with life after Rudge.

New boss Brian Horton is fighting to maintain the excellent work of his predecessor who took the Valiants from the depths of the Fourth Division to eighth in Division One only three seasons ago.

the reason to watch..

A 2-0 victory over Town at Vale Park last month will not sit well with Jim Quinn.

This return fixture has come about quickly and that will please the players that were involved - revenge is on the menu so let's hope the lads dish out a large portion.



the last five meetings...

Port Vale 2-0 Swindon Town 25.09.99
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the player to watch...

Allen Tankard has become the bane of many right winger in the First Division.

One of the most reliable left-backs in the Nationwide League, who began his career with Southampton alongside such luminaries as Matt Le Tissier, Neil Ruddock, Andy Townsend and Alan Shearer. His positional sense is excellent and for a defender he possesses excellent pace. An unsung hero of the First Division.

Bolton



the lowdown...

Last season was a year of frustration for Bolton, they made a slow start, drawing too many games and looking like they had lost their winning formula. A run of twelve unbeaten games followed and the bright lights of the Premiership were in sight, then for some reason they sold their best strikers, Nathan Blake to Blackburn and Arnar Gunnlaugsson to Leicester City. Unsurprisingly the goals dried up and Bolton, once again, found themselves drawing games they should have won and the Wanderers stuttered into the play-offs finishing in sixth place. A nervy first-leg with Ipswich led to a 3-4 away thriller, which turned out to be the highlight of their season. The Wembley defeat to Watford was a huge let-down and they are still in the First Division, breaking their yo-yo sequence with the Premiership. Sam Allardyce took over last week and Town will play them with another new manager they will be out to impress.

the reason to watch...

This is the game Swindon will want to win more than ever after being beaten so convincingly at the County Ground earlier this month.

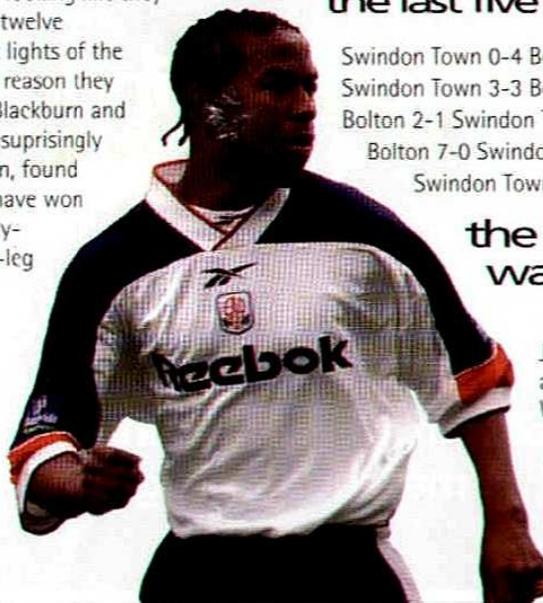
the last five meetings...

Swindon Town 0-4 Bolton 02.10.1999
Swindon Town 3-3 Bolton 06.03.1999
Bolton 2-1 Swindon Town 29.09.1998
Bolton 7-0 Swindon Town 08.03.1997
Swindon Town 2-2 Bolton 22.12.1996

the player to watch...

Ricardo is a regular in the Jamaican international side after starring in their 1998 World Cup campaign.

His terrific curling shot that flew past Jimmy Glass in Bolton's recent 4-0 win showed what this pacy midfielder is capable of.





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Sun 5th Sept	Oxford United	3-2
Sun 12th Sept	Bristol City	4-2
Sun 10th Sept	Saltash Pilgrims	3-3
Sun 26th Sept	Southampton	2-0
Sun 3rd Oct	Portsmouth	3-2
Sun 10th Oct	Bristol Rovers FAC1st	2-5
Sun 17th Oct	Bath City	14-0
Sun 24th Oct	League Cup 1st Round	
Sun 31st Oct	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 7th Nov	FA Cup 2nd Round	
Sun 14th Nov	Yeovil Town	A
Sun 21st Nov	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 28th Nov	Newport Strikers	A
Sun 5th Dec	Southampton	A
Sun 12th Dec	Denham United	H
Sun 19th Dec	Oxford United	H
Sun 9th Jan	Bristol City	A
Sun 16th Jan	Saltash Pilgrims	H
Sun 23rd Jan	Southampton	A
Sun 30th Jan	Portsmouth	H
Sun 6th Feb	Bath City	A
Sun 13th Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 20th Feb	Yeovil Town	H
Sun 27th Feb	Cheltenham	A
Sun 5th Mar	League Cup Semi-final	
Sun 12th Mar	Newport Strikers	H
Sun 19th Mar	Denham United	A
Sun 30th Apr	League Cup Final	

Swindon Town Ladies (Home) South West Combination matches are played at the County Ground Extension and Kick-Off at 2.00pm.

The South West Counties Youth League Fixtures Season 1999/2000

Sat 21 Aug	Cirencester	3-1
Sat 28th Aug	Swansea City	3-4
Sat 4th Sept	Plymouth Argyle	0-1
Sat 11th Sept	Newport County	-
Sat 18th Sept	AFC Bournemouth	0-7
Sat 25th Sept	Trowbridge Town	5-3
Sat 2nd Oct	Yeovil Town	2-2
Sat 9th Oct	Bashley FC	3-0
Sat 16th Oct	Bath City	0-3
Sat 23rd Oct	Bristol Rovers	A
Sat 30th Oct	Cardiff City	H
Sat 6th Oct	Cardiff City	A
Sat 13th Nov	Cirencester	H
Sat 20th Nov	Swansea City	A
Sat 27th Nov	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sat 4th Dec	Newport County	A
Sat 11th Dec	AFC Bournemouth	A
Sat 18th Dec	Trowbridge Town	H
Sat 8th Jan	Yeovil Town	A
Sat 15th Jan	Bashley FC	H
Sat 22nd Jan	Bath City	A
Sat 29th Jan	Bristol Rovers	H

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The Football League Youth Alliance Season 1999/2000



Sat 21 Aug	Cirencester	-
Sat 14th Aug	Plymouth Argyle	1-0
Sat 21st Aug	Torquay United	3-4
Sat 28th Aug	Swansea City	1-1
Sat 4th Sept	Cirencester	0-0
Sat 18th Sept	Exeter City	2-2
Sat 2nd Oct	Bristol Rovers	2-4
Sat 16th Oct	Cardiff City	2-4
Sat 23rd Oct	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sat 30th Oct	Cardiff City	H
Sat 6th Nov	Exeter City	A
Sat 13th Nov	no fixture	
Sat 20th Nov	Torquay United	H
Sat 27th Nov	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sat 4th Dec	Torquay United	H
Sat 11th Dec	Swansea City	A
Sat 8th Jan	Exeter City	A
Sat 15th Jan	Cirencester	H
Sat 22nd Jan	Cardiff City	A
Sat 29th Jan	Cup 2	
Sat 5th Feb	Bristol Rovers	H
Wed 1st Mar	Cup Quarter Final	
Wed 22nd Mar	Cup Semi Final	
Sun 16th Apr	Cup Final	

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Swindon Town Centre of Excellence Fixtures Season 1999/2000

Under 15s

Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	A
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	H
Sun 05 Sept	West Brom	A
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 10 Sept	Cheltenham Town	A
Sun 26 Sept	Exeter City	H
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	A
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	H
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	A
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	H
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 28 Nov	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	A
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	H
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	A
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	H
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	A
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 12 Mar	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 19 Mar	Exeter City	H
Sun 26 Mar	Torquay Utd	H
Sun 09 Apr	Swansea City	A
Sun 16 Apr	Bristol Rovers	H

Under 14s

Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	A
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	A
Sun 05 Sept	West Brom	H
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 10 Sept	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 26 Sept	Exeter City	A
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	H
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	H
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	H
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	A
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 28 Nov	Cheltenham Town	A
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	H
Sun 23 Jan	Torquay Utd	A
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	H
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	A
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	A
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	H
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 12 Mar	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 19 Mar	Exeter City	A
Sun 26 Mar	Torquay Utd	H
Sun 09 Apr	Swansea City	A
Sun 16 Apr	Bristol Rovers	H

Under 13s

Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	H
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	A
Sun 5 Sept	West Brom	A
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 19 Sept	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 26 Sept	Exeter City	A
Sun 3 Oct	Torquay United	A
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	H
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	A
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	H
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	H
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 28 Nov	Cheltenham Town	A
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	H
Sun 23 Jan	Torquay United	H
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	A
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	H
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	A
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	A
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 12 Mar	Cheltenham Town	H
Sun 19 Mar	Exeter City	A
Sun 26 Mar	Torquay United	A
Sun 9 Apr	Swansea City	H
Sun 16 Apr	Bristol Rovers	A

Under 12s

Sun 22 Aug	Cardiff City	H
Sun 29 Aug	Bournemouth	A
Sun 5 Sept	West Brom	A
Sun 12 Sept	Plymouth Argyle	H
Sun 17 Oct	Swansea City	H
Sun 24 Oct	Bristol Rovers	A
Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	A
Sun 7 Nov	Bournemouth	H
Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	H
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	A
Sun 5 Dec	Exeter City	A
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	A
Sun 6 Feb	Bristol Rovers	H
Sun 13 Feb	Cardiff City	H
Sun 20 Feb	Bournemouth	A
Sun 27 Feb	West Brom	A
Sun 5 Mar	Plymouth Argyle	H
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away day review vs



Jamie Broadfield travels with the Town and this week he gives us his verdict on his trip to Craven Cottage.....



I was researching my trip to Fulham and found out that Jim Hammond was known to Fulham supporters of the late 1920's and 30's as the 'Galloping Hairpin'. Why I would ever want to know that was beyond me!

We were hoping to see Swindon pull-off another unlikely victory against one of the Division's favourites. Unfortunately, like on so many occasions, it wasn't our day and we were left ruing another fine display with fruitless reward.

I must admit that I haven't made some of the longer journey's up North to watch the Town play and I suppose there were many more like me there on Saturday. Around 1,200 eager Town fans made the journey to Craven Cottage and were not let down by the teams' effort and commitment to the cause. Jim's plan to stifle the opposition looked to have worked and neither team had many clear-cut opportunities to score. Our defence is looking more resolute every week and that away point was nearly ours

when Horsfield grabbed the winner. Gareth Davies did a tremendous job of marking former German international Karl-Heinz Reidle and the entire midfield worked tirelessly to stop Fulham's creative play. George looked dangerous as the lone striker and could have topped another great performance with a goal in the last ten minutes.

I think that this new formation may be the way we can pick up those vital points away from home. If it can keep Fulham at bay for such long periods, then it should prove effective elsewhere on our travels. It may not be pretty at times but I would prefer a few more points in the bag before we try to play too much away from home. If it does work then it will give us the confidence to really go at teams at home and make sure that nobody leaves the County Ground with so much as a point for the rest of the season.

out of 10

- Journey:** 8
No problems
- Ground:** 6
Will get better!
- Home Fans:** 6
lucky & knew it
- Away Fans:** 9
Fantastic!
- Food & Drink:** 7
Cottage Pies....
- Man of the match:** 8
George looked good
- Team Performance:** 7
Battled hard
- Moment of the Day:** 8
Resolute defending
- Overall Verdict:** 8
Great support and were unlucky to lose.
Good defending but need more goals to make it count.

town ladies

by Roger Reeves

The Town Ladies are out of the 'AXA' Women's FA Cup but are top of South West Combination League.

The Ladies lost out to Bristol Rovers in the first round of the FA Cup when they were beaten 5-2. This is the second consecutive season that Rovers have finished the Town's FA Cup hopes. Playing with the advantage of the wind in the first half the Town took a two-goal lead with Leanne Taylor and Holly Ashman finding the net. However, Rovers hit back to equalise and then take the lead. But as the Town pushed forward looking to get back in the game they were punished with Rovers taking their tally to five.



LEANNE TAYLOR
Scored four goals in Town's convincing win over Bath City

In the League the Town recorded their biggest ever win in the South West Combination League when they beat Bath City 14-0. Katy Lemon put the Town ahead after two minutes and from then on, the Town were always in control. Leanne Taylor and Kim Reeves both scored four, Pam Laker got a hat-trick and Nadine Lloyd netted two.



NATALIA ZARCZYNSKI
Plays full-back for the Town and the County. Congratulations on your engagement to Steve.

Tomorrow we are without a fixture as the ladies have drawn a bye in the first round of the 'Ambassador' League Cup. The Town are the current holders of the trophy. The Town ladies reserves are in action and play Denham United reserves in the first round of the Southern Region League Cup. This game will be played at Ridgeway School, Wroughton.

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'trouble maker'

Eddie Newton is out to cause problems for Trevor Francis - but the Birmingham manager won't mind a bit!

Newton, a free transfer summer signing from Chelsea, made his first start for The Blues in their Worthington Cup win over Bobby Robson's Newcastle earlier this month. The 27 year old former England Under-21 star hopes he has given Francis a selection headache. "I have had to bide my time and wait for a chance," the talented midfielder said. "Now I hope I have left the gaffer with a selection headache. It should be a problem that the manager likes. There's nothing better than having a good squad of players to choose from. My first start couldn't have come in a better game, against a Premier League side, and we couldn't have hoped for a better result."





crewe's control

Crewe defender David Wright is convinced his side can steer clear of another battle against relegation. Dario Gradi's side narrowly avoided falling through the Division One trapdoor last season but Wright is convinced they are capable of avoiding a similar struggle this time around. The in-form full back, who starred in Crewe's 1-0 win over Sheffield United earlier this month, said: "I think every team we come up against treats us as the underdogs. But I think as we proved last season

and the year before, we can beat the bigger teams. If we can continue to compete like that we should finish between 10th and 15th in the Division. I think that's where we should be finishing instead of battling it out at the bottom of the League. We proved it in the first year that we came into the First Division that we could do that and we had a strong finish last season. Hopefully, this is the start of a good run for us and we can aim for a mid-table finish."

home sweet home

Life has gone full circle for Lee Bradbury after he rejoined the club where he launched his career in full-time football. Bradbury completed a £300,000 switch from troubled Crystal Palace to Portsmouth earlier this month and is now hoping to recapture the form that made him such a big hit during his first spell at Fratton Park.

The powerful striker grabbed 15 goals in 54 League appearances for Pompey before being snapped up for Manchester City by Frank Clark.

Now he's 'back home' - although he had been expecting to move to Birmingham during the summer after a loan spell at St. Andrews last season. Bradbury, who left The Army to link-up with Portsmouth first time around, explains: "Trevor Francis and I shook hands on a deal... but nothing ever happened. I didn't ring up to find out why not. If he didn't want to sign me that was his prerogative but I just got on with it and went back to playing for Crystal Palace."



simpson struggle



Former Derby midfielder Paul Simpson is hoping for the chance to show he can play a bigger role in Wolves' push to get among the First Division promotion pack. The 33-year-old made his eighth substitute appearance of the season as Wolves beat Dave Basset's Barnsley 2-1 at Oakwell last weekend. But Simpson, who has lost out to summer signing from Tottenham Andy Sinton, said: "I've not let anyone down when I've come on in games and although I'm not saying I should be playing, I'm saying that

I would like to be because of my own situation. I know in the 45 minutes against Forest I did alright and I feel as if I have done well on other occasions. I'm just hoping and waiting for my chance to get a start and I hope it comes soon although I don't know the manager's thinking." Simpson's frustration is all the more acute because, during the summer, he turned down possible moves to Tranmere and Darlington to sign a new two-year deal at Molineux.



turin proud

West Brom are hoping to establish an arrangement with Juventus, which would see some of Turin club's bright young prospects loaned to Albion.

If the deal can be agreed, The Hawthorns would become temporary long-term homes for the Serie A giants' up-and-coming-talent. The Turin outfit has nurtured the likes of Alessandro Del Piero in recent seasons so the possibility of a link-up would be quite a coup for Brian Little's side.

Baggies Chairman Tony Hale said: "We are interested in the link and negotiations have begun. We have to widen our net of attracting players." News of West Brom's plan comes a fortnight after Charlton announced a similar link up with Inter Milan.

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MAN CITY	12	7	2	3	16	7	23
CHARLTON	10	7	1	2	20	11	22
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BIRMINGHAM	13	6	3	4	21	14	21
STOCKPORT	12	6	3	3	15	15	21
IPSWICH	11	6	2	3	25	16	20
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HUDDERSFIELD	12	5	3	4	22	16	18
QPR	11	5	3	3	16	12	18
WOLVERHAMPTON	12	4	5	3	11	12	17
NOTTM FOREST	12	4	4	4	18	14	16
BOLTON	12	4	4	4	18	15	16
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BLACKBURN	10	3	4	3	13	10	13
WEST BROM	11	2	7	2	10	10	13
NORWICH	12	3	4	5	10	13	13
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WALSALL	13	3	3	7	11	23	12
PORT VALE	13	3	2	8	14	20	11
SWINDON	13	2	3	8	8	20	9

World football



Last weekend the Premiership and Nationwide Leagues descended into anarchy, which saw 26 players get their marching orders breaking a nine year record for the most players sent-off in one day.

If the current rate of sendings off continues, the final figure could more than top the three-figure mark. Has the standard of play deteriorated that much, or has refereeing become an impossible job? Calls for 'common sense' decisions are met by the need to stick to FIFA guidelines and both players and officials are finding themselves in increasing turmoil.

However, measures are at hand to combat the growing problem of discontent between players, managers and officials, which seems to be reaching an all-time high. What's worse than a referee you may ask yourself? Well, two of them to be exact. The Malaysian Cup was selected by FIFA as the first testing ground for the idea of improving control of matches by using two referees as well as two linesmen.

The experiment over a 17-match period produced 54 yellow and four red cards, promising results which have reduced the number of cautions by 30%. Referees have been asked to try varied approaches to each match. Some have divided the pitch into two halves with the centre line splitting the two. Others have created an imaginary diagonal line across the pitch and also a horizontal line running through the middle from goalline to goalline.

Players have reacted well and are aware that there are four pairs of eyes on them and are more reluctant to indulge in

petty indiscretions. But, with every experimental trial there are a few hiccups. Referees have strayed into the path of play a few too many times for the players' liking and have also strayed into the other officials' territory. There have not been any disagreements between the two officials yet, but it could present a major problem with this experimental measure.

FIFA's hope is that it will not only reduce yellow and red cards, but also to take pressure off just one official and less susceptible to scrutiny. However, one Malaysian supporter argued, "It was interesting to see two referees on the field for the first time. But what's the point of having two referees on the field if both are equally inept? One bad referee on the pitch can spoil a game. Two bad referees on the pitch would wreck it completely."

This experiment ends in December after which it will be tried in Egypt, the United States, Brazil and Italy. FIFA are keen to point out that if the trials are successful, it will enforce the two-referees rule worldwide within the next few years.

Richard
Pitts

what's the story?

Swings 'n' roundabouts

A glance at the First Division table does not make very pleasant reading if you are a Swindon follower.

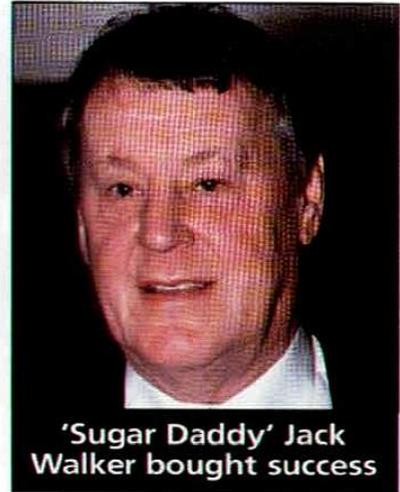
To see our boys at the bottom of the pile at this early stage has inevitably led to a lot of glum faces and a feeling of pessimism in certain quarters. Of course no one likes to be struggling at the wrong end, and at times like this there doesn't seem to a lot to look forward to. But football has a habit of going in cycles, and a delve into the history books will show how the mighty have at times fallen and how the minnow have achieved the opposite.

Of course the Robins themselves have tasted glory at Wembley and rubbed shoulders with the games Premiership elite in this decade. Although the days of a cartwheeling Andy Mutch featuring on the titles of Match of the Day seem an age away at the present time. The ups and downs of professional football, both on the pitch and in the boardroom, dictate that clubs fortunes can prosper or nosedive within the space of a season.

A case in point, has been the rollercoaster ride that the supporters of Middlesbrough have enjoyed and

agonised over during the last fifteen years. In the mid eighties Boro were staring a winding-up order in the face, indeed their Ayresome park ground was locked up and the last rites of the club were being read. However, they were bailed out of trouble and by 1989 found themselves in the First Division (now the Premiership). By the mid nineties the Boro faithful had a brand new stadium and a handful of world superstars in their ranks. They have since experienced the anguish of relegation and double Wembley loss, mixed with the ecstasy of a further promotion.

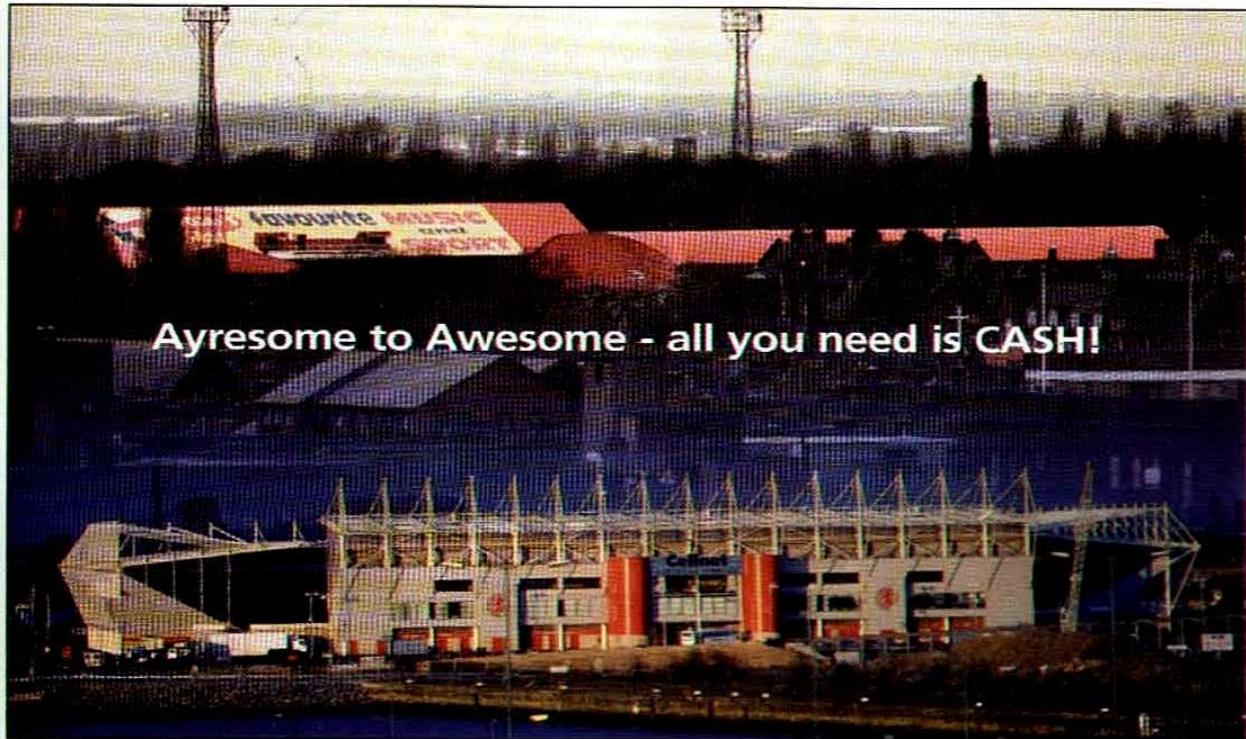
A modern phenomenon that has contributed in no small part to an upturn in fortunes of certain clubs, is the 'sugar daddy', usually a local businessman who would like a football club as a hobby. In a number of cases this hobby has led to tens of millions of pounds being splashed out in a desperate bid to bring success to the clubs. No one likes to be a failure, and Jack Walkers millions at Blackburn



'Sugar Daddy' Jack Walker bought success

ensured quick promotion followed by a Premiership title. Last seasons relegation was not in the Ewood Park script, although a number of people had little sympathy with Rovers as they had always bought their success as opposed to nurturing it. This may be the case, but I don't think you would find to many complaints around the County Ground if Sir Jack pledged his allegiance and several million pounds to Towns cause.

Of course money helps: 'Jack Walker and John Hall' was Joe Kinnear's answer to Wimbledon owner Sam Hamann when asked which two signings he would like, and who wouldn't like a benefactor to pull your side out of the doldrums? Money alone isn't everything and you must always live in hope, this week cellar dwellers, next millennium, top dogs. The only way is up!



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It supports particular projects and Chatsworth House is the latest! Our Community Child Health Team are moving to Chatsworth House later this year. It will house consulting rooms, offices and a resource centre for those working there.

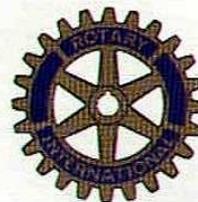
The Five Star Health Charity is raising funds to provide toys and equipment to help the children

using these services. The types of treatment will vary, but children who have been abused physically and emotionally, children with illnesses, children with learning disabilities and children being assessed for adoption will all come to Chatsworth House and see our specialist team of doctors and nurses.

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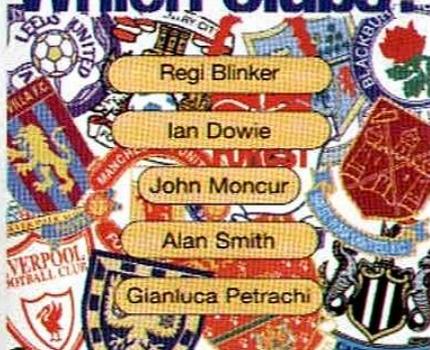


Where in the World? do they come from

- 1 - Caen
- 2 - Al Jahara
- 3 - Cape Town Spurs
- 4 - Cruzeiro
- 5 - Huracan
- 6 - Hacken
- 7 - Spartak Plovdiv
- 8 - Stuttgart Kickers
- 9 - Extremadura
- 10 - AEL Limassol



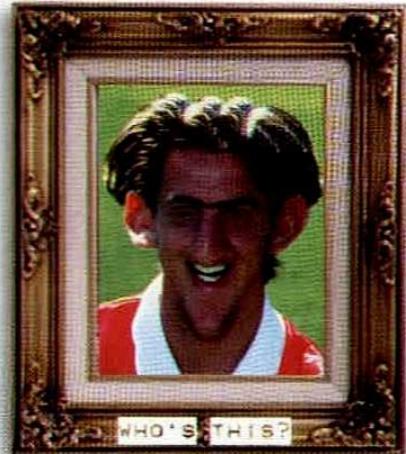
Which Clubs?



quick quiz

- 1 Who scored Marseilles's winning goal in the 1993 European Cup Final?
- 2 Who was the World Footballer of the Year in 1994?
- 3 Which two 1996/97 Chelsea players played in the 1989 European Cup Final?
- 4 Who was the first Englishman to be voted European Footballer of the Year?
- 5 Who was the last player to win both PFA Player of the Year and Young Player of the Year in the same season?
- 6 Who is the only goalkeeper, so far, to win the European Footballer of the Year award?
- 7 Who beat Alan Shearer to the World Footballer of the Year award in 1997?
- 8 How many Manchester Utd players have been voted European Footballer of the Year?
- 9 Who became the first non-European to win the European Footballer of the Year?
- 10 Who was the last player to be the European Footballer of the Year for three consecutive years?

Answers: Quick Quiz? 1, Basile Boli. 2, Romario. 3, Ruud Gullit (AC Milan), Dan Petrescu (Steaua). 4, Sir Stanley Matthews. 5, Andy Gray. 6, Lev Yashin. 7, Ronaldo. 8, Three. 9, George Weah. 10, Michel Platini. **Which Year?** 1982. **Which Clubs?** 1 Celtic, 2 QPR, 3 West Ham, 4 Leeds Utd, 5 Nottingham Forest. **Where in the World?** 1 France, 2 Kuwait 3 South Africa 4 Brazil 5 Argentina 6 Sweden 7 Bulgaria 8 Germany 9 Spain 10 Cyprus. **Guess Who?** Marc Overmars. **Who's This?** Robin Hubert. **Don't get Cheeky?** 1, Colin Lee, 2, Wayne Quinn, 3, Marc Overmars, 4, Alessandro Del Piero.



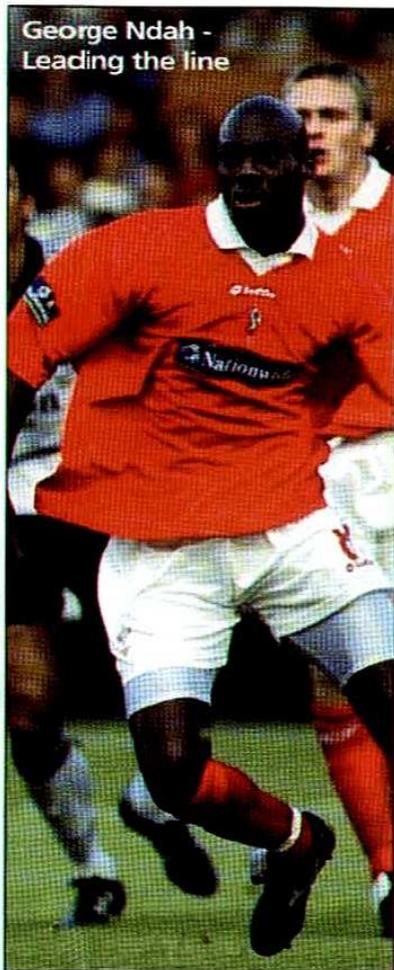
Don't be cheeky



which year?

- Liverpool beat Tottenham at Wembley
- England beat France in Bilbao
- Aberdeen beat Rangers at Hampden Park
- Aston Villa beat Bayern Munich in Rotterdam

George Ndah -
Leading the line



captain's corner

with Alan Reeves



Everyone after the Barnsley match was quite subdued because we had played our hearts out and done enough to at least take a point away.

Yet again they were good opposition and we matched them throughout the game. It is disappointing but we can't feel too sorry for ourselves because we're confident it will change soon.

We played extremely well against Fulham on Saturday and perhaps not quite as well against Barnsley but we thought we'd get a draw at the very least. We created enough chances on Saturday to win the game and did enough to get a draw on Tuesday. On the whole we're disappointed with the results but not the performances.

We have to keep doing things the way we are at the moment because

there is not anything deeply wrong with the side or any individual performances but we could do with a little 'rub of the green' that we do not seem to be getting at the present time. If we keep being professional it's got to turn for us.

Every team has good runs and bad runs so let's hope that we've had ours now and we can go on a good run. At the moment we would sacrifice a good performance for three points but hopefully we can play well against Sheffield United and Port Vale and pick up six points as well. The lads will give 100%, as they always do, to that end and we hope the fans will really get behind us.

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TURNING BACK the clock

Jimmy Gauld

Welcome to our A to Z of former Swindon Town players.
This week we take a look back at Jimmy Gauld.

Every club's history contains both famous and infamous characters. Jimmy Gauld was undoubtedly one of the latter. Born in Aberdeen on the 9th May 1931, he began his football career with Waterford. His Football League career started with Charlton Athletic in 1955 and he made 47 League appearances for the London club before being signed by Everton - who must have been impressed with the 21 goals he had scored. A £10,500 fee took him to Goodison Park where 23 appearances produced 7 goals and then he was off on his travels again to Plymouth where 64 more league appearances produced a further 25 goals. It was from here that Bert Head signed him for Swindon at a then club record fee of £6,750.

At Swindon it seemed he must be an inside left as only his portly physique had room to accommodate the large 0 in the two-figure number. He made his debut for Swindon on the 22nd August against Queens Park Rangers in a 2-0 defeat but just a week later on his third appearance he scored twice in a 5-3 victory over Bradford City. He finished the season second top scorer with 14 goals behind David "Bronco" Layne. However, a match against Port Vale was to bring about the end of his spell with Swindon. Originally placed on the retained list he and Walter Bingley were placed on the open transfer list. The match at Port Vale had ended in a 6-1 defeat and, although Jimmy had scored

Town's only goal, questions were asked about the level of commitment shown.

He left Swindon and joined St Johnstone in Scotland before returning to English football with Mansfield Town. A promising start with three goals in four games was halted by a broken leg, which was to end his career. It was when his career was over that he earned national notoriety by exposing match fixing. Here he showed himself a total double crosser, for having betrayed the fans by fixing matches he sold out his accomplices for the Sunday People's thirty pieces of silver, or to be more accurate £7,000. His confession eventually led to his own conviction for match fixing. Sentencing him at Nottingham Crown Court, Judge Lawton described Gauld as having been responsible for the ruin of the careers of John Kay and Peter Swan as well as his former Swindon colleague Layne. He further said that he must pass a sentence which made it clear to



all branches of sport that match fixing was a serious crime. Gauld was fined £5,000 and given four years imprisonment.

The television dramatisation of the match fixing story, "The Fix", depicted Gauld as a dark and surly character, quite different from the man who played at Swindon. The moment when Gauld, describing the end of his career, snaps his pencil and tosses it aside was a graphic illustration though of how football sometimes treated its former heroes. I prefer to remember the shock of blond hair above a sweat stained shirt weaving through the opposition defence and the man who was willing to give a youngster an autograph with a cheery smile and a friendly word. Sometimes it is as well we do not know the future.

By Dick Mattick

competition TIME

Q. How many Football League clubs did Jimmy Gauld play for?

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marc on the move?



Arsenal's flying Dutchman, Marc Overmars, is considering a summer move away from Highbury and Barcelona are favourites to sign the creative winger. He has probably learned from the 'Anelka transfer saga' that it is best to be open and honest if you want to move away from Highbury. Stating his reasons to leave Arsenal he said, "I went to England to win the League title and FA Cup with Arsenal. That

happened quicker than I thought possible. If you realise your ambitions so quickly, you start dreaming about new challenges. My next aims are to win a major trophy with Holland and to win a League championship trophy with a club in another country."

Furthermore, Arsene Wenger has also been linked with Italian duo Vincenzo Montella of AS Roma and Roberto Donadoni. Montella won a summer move to Roma after starring for his former club Sampdoria, despite being relegated. However, he has not settled in Rome and Wenger is monitoring the situation. Furthermore, Emmanuel Petit has a recurring knee ligament problem and Patrick Vieira could miss several games through suspension. Wenger sees him as a possible stop-gap while the influential Frenchmen are sidelined. Donadoni is a former Italian international and won Serie A honours with AC Milan. At 36 years he is in the twilight of a successful career, currently out of contract he had been playing in the US National Soccer League.

campbell's sell by date

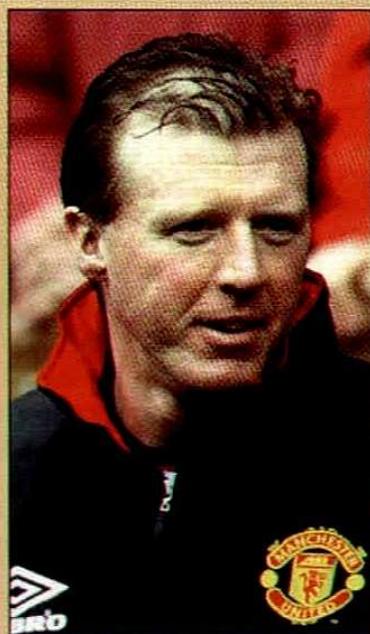
According to reports Spurs are ready to spark a mass transfer scramble by putting captain Sol Campbell up for sale at £20m. Campbell has refused to sign a new contract at the club and Spurs are worried that their prized asset will leave the club for nothing on a Bosman move in the summer of 2001 when his current contract expires.

They have put the England star up for sale now because his value will decrease as time goes on. Manager George Graham insists he would like to keep Campbell but his situation means that the club is presented with a business problem. Graham would prefer to have the cash now, and find replacements to strengthen his side, rather than lose him for nothing in 18 months time.

The former Arsenal and Leeds boss admitted: "We've offered Sol the top salary at this club. He's elected to say he's going to wait until the end of the season. "But Sol needs to make a decision or we will have to make it for him." Several top European sides including Lazio, Roma, Juventus, AC Milan, Barcelona and Real Madrid - as well as Manchester Utd - have all been linked with Campbell over the past year.

Meanwhile, George Graham has been in the hunt for a prolific goalscorer since his appointment last season and is eyeing a move for Wimbledon's John Hartson.

The Tottenham boss has already failed in his attempts to lure Carl Cort away from Selhurst Park and has turned his attention to Hartson, the man Graham signed for Arsenal from Luton for £2.5m five seasons ago. After Hartson's awesome display against Bradford last weekend, Egil Olsen will be extremely reluctant to make a profit on the striker they paid West Ham £7.5m for towards the end of last season.



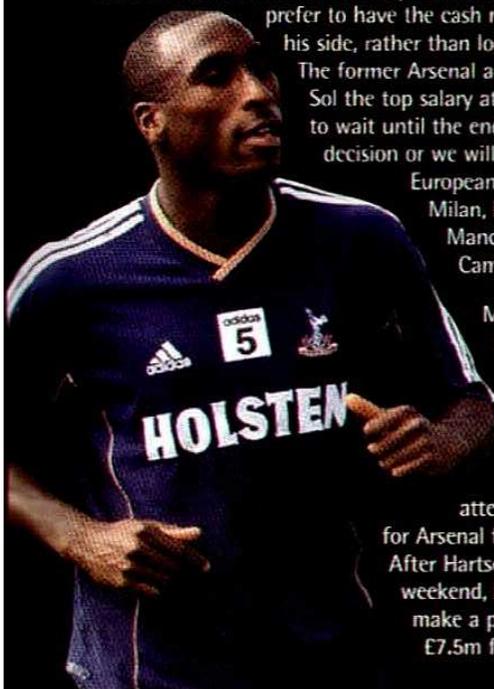
mcclaren formula

Sir Alex Ferguson's right-hand-man at Old Trafford is being lined up to take over from Derby boss Jim Smith at the end of this season. Derby hope to bring former coach Steve McClaren back to the club from Manchester Utd. McClaren was being groomed to take over from Jim Smith before Sir Alex offered him the chance to succeed Brian Kidd at Old Trafford as his assistant in February 1999. Rams' boss Jim Smith has decided to call it a day and move into a promised role as club supremo.

In the months since his departure Derby's form, especially at home, has deteriorated badly and many people inside Pride Park blame the decline squarely on his departure. After a very disappointing start to the season the Rams have now lost six out of eight home games and under-fire Smith decided that he will bring the curtain down on his managerial career at the end of this campaign.

Carling Premier League Table 20.10.99

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS.
LEEDS	11	8	1	2	28	12	25
MAN UTD	11	7	3	1	27	16	24
SUNDERLAND	11	7	2	2	20	9	23
ARSENAL	11	7	1	3	17	10	22
LEICESTER	11	6	2	3	19	14	20
CHELSEA	9	6	1	2	15	4	19
EVERTON	11	5	2	4	17	14	17
TOTTENHAM	10	5	2	3	17	14	17
ASTON VILLA	11	5	2	3	12	11	17
WEST HAM	9	5	1	3	11	11	16
MIDDLESBROUGH	11	5	0	6	13	15	15
LIVERPOOL	10	4	2	4	11	10	14
COVENTRY	11	3	3	5	16	15	12
SOUTHAMPTON	10	3	2	5	17	21	11
WIMBLEDON	11	2	5	4	17	25	11
WATFORD	11	3	0	8	7	15	9
DERBY	11	2	3	6	10	19	9
BRADFORD	10	2	2	6	6	16	8
NEWCASTLE	11	2	1	8	21	27	7
SHEFF WED	11	1	1	9	8	27	4



Tartan Tears

By the time you read this it will be well under way, the Nation's press will be involved in a feeding frenzy of historical fiction and nationalistic rhetoric. You know the sort of thing, what Robert the Bruce said at Culloden and what Rob Roy told his spider.

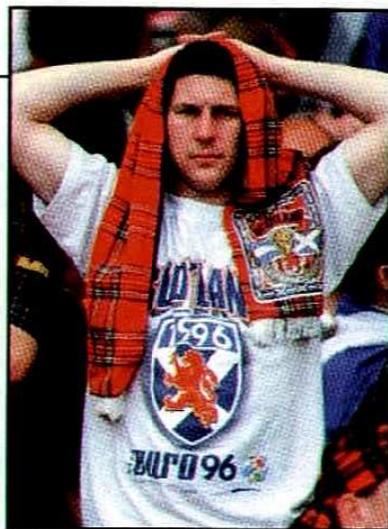


We will be getting Scotland v England every morning - double doses on the weekend sports pages. It will be all Tartan, Tam O'Shanter and Tennants' lager and, because the English are not so colourfu, extrovert or vociferous, we will be pictured more as corduroy, cloth cap and Carling Black label. We will be envisioning the streets of London thronging with Pipers in ginger wigs and more blue and white face-painted warriors than the entire cast of Braveheart.

No one cares more about England's football team than me, although I must admit there was a bit of a rift when Glen Hoddle left. I felt like my best friend had just turned down a date with my younger brother, as if the only person worthy of him had spurned him, but I'm hoping this little blip in my loyalty and devotion will ease the pain, nervous irritability and make the unbearable bearable should an offside goal or penalty decision go the wrong way.

I remember the home internationals of yester-year clearly for various reasons. But the most vivid recollections have always been the England v Scotland games. I suppose mainly because of the press hype, but they have always been landmarks in the average soccer fan's consciousness. My oldest memory is of 26 years ago, when I was a bridesmaid at a cousin's wedding. At every opportunity we got, the interested members of the bridal party sneaked off to the staff lounge to get a glimpse of the Scots' keeper picking a few out. I don't remember the actual goals but, as if by radar, the bride or her mother always picked that moment to winkle us out and march us woefully back to the festivities. If my memory serves me right, the groom was one of the guilty group on numerous occasions. Maybe the poor bride was so soured by this sign of things to come that, sadly, the marriage seemed doomed to failure. However, they are still together after 26 years and she still

won't even let him watch Match of the Day! Family rumour has it that my cousin is planning a belated birthday present for his wife - a short break with a girlfriend somewhere hot - well it would need to be in November.



The last home international at Wembley involving the two nations is well documented. Scots fans, delirious with joy, invaded the pitch and the goalposts were pulled down and taken away as mementoes. Surprisingly enough the culprits were never brought to book, even though pictures of them appeared in every paper and were shown many times on TV. It may be because every fan in the picture appeared to be a Bay City Roller and they all had cast iron alibis!

MAZ

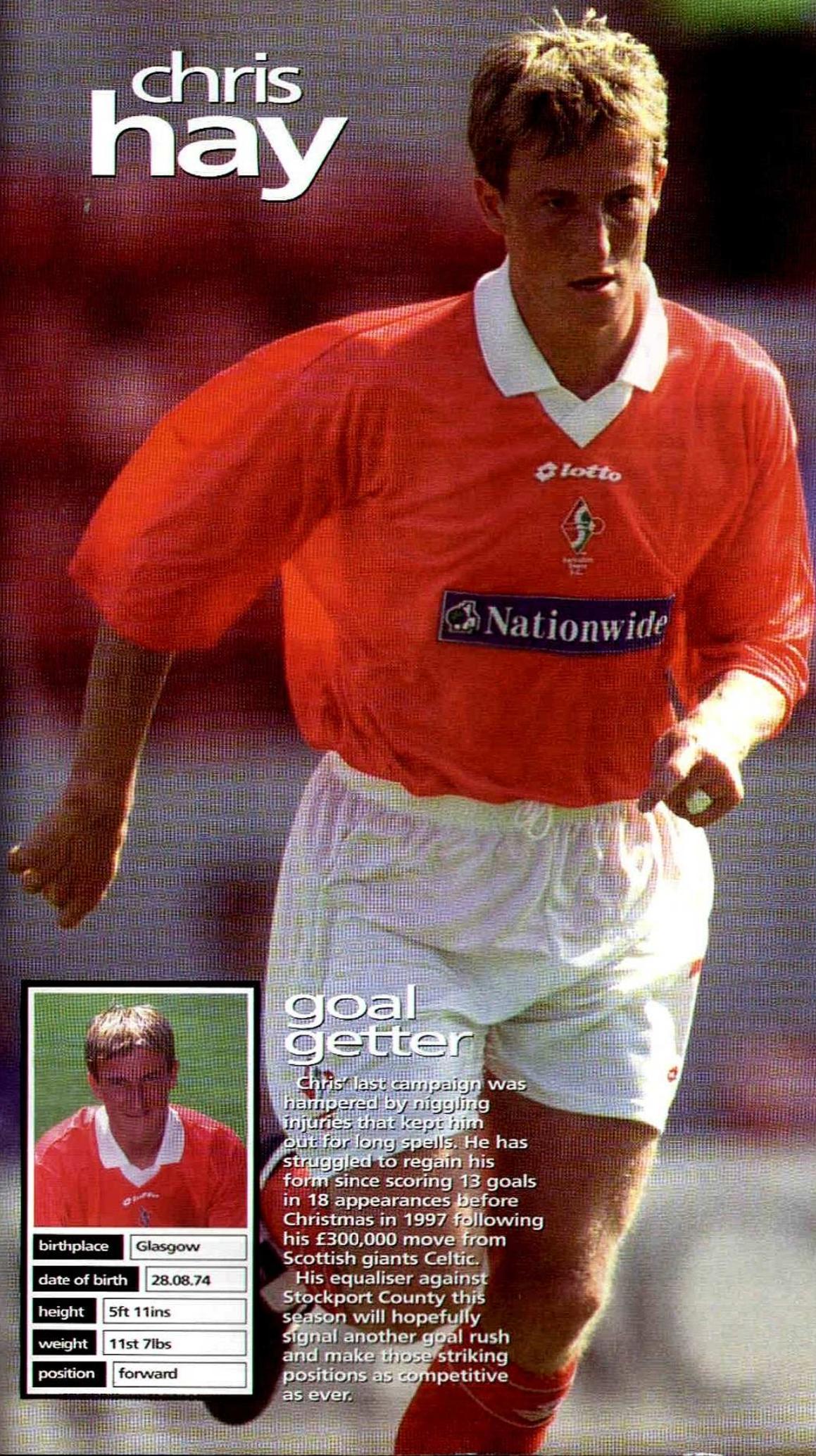
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But by far my favourite encounter was Euro 96, an absolutely amazingly blazing hot day. It was decided that Grandma's and Grandpa's back garden would be the family venue, partly for their hospitality but mainly because they had the biggest TV! They were even indulgent enough to let us drag it outside and erect a 'bender' around it that any eco-warrior would have been proud of - to shield the screen from the bright sunlight. Why didn't we watch indoors and save the trouble? Why did we seemingly re-create Stonehenge? Because hard work deserves rewards is why. The giant flag of St George, that we spread out across the garage doors, was loaned by kind permission of Glen Hoddle (the man's a saint I tell you), who had been wrapped in it after other famous victories. We were set, the Scots missed a disputed penalty, Gazza scored the winner, a Perfect Day.

You see,
Many a mickle mak a muckle!
No, I don't either.

MAZ

chris hay



goal getter

Chris' last campaign was hampered by niggling injuries that kept him out for long spells. He has struggled to regain his form since scoring 13 goals in 18 appearances before Christmas in 1997 following his £300,000 move from Scottish giants Celtic.

His equaliser against Stockport County this season will hopefully signal another goal rush and make those striking positions as competitive as ever.



birthplace	Glasgow
date of birth	28.08.74
height	5ft 11ins
weight	11st 7lbs
position	forward

statistics 1999/2000 season

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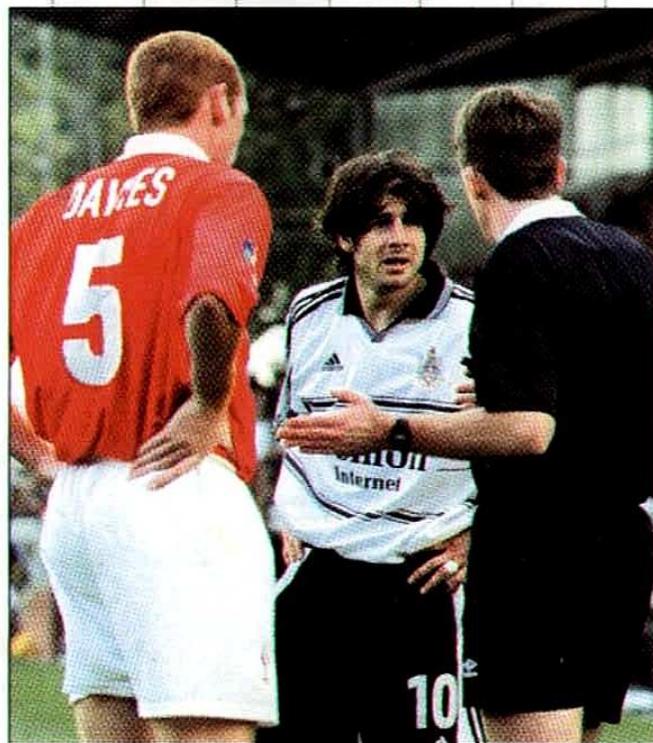
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Kick-off times are 3.00pm at weekend fixtures and 7.45pm for mid-week fixtures unless otherwise stated

date	opponents	result	att.
Sat Aug 7	Walsall (A)	0-0	6,437
Tue Aug 10	Leyton Orient (WC1)1 (H)	0-1	3,587
Sun Aug 15	Ipswich (H)	1-4	6,195
Sat Aug 21	Crystal Palace (A)	2-1	12,726
Tue Aug 24	Leyton Orient (WC1)2 (A)	1-1 (1-2agg)	4,000
Sat Aug 28	West Brom (H)	1-2	6,565
Mon Aug 30	Grimsby (A)	0-1	5,705
Sat Sept 11	Nott'm Forest (H)	0-0	8,203
Sat Sept 18	Crewe (A)	1-2	5,280
Sat Sept 25	Port Vale (A)	0-2	4,629
Tues Sept 28	Blackburn (H)	2-1	7,354
Sat Oct 2	Bolton (H)	0-4	6,711
Sat Oct 9	Stockport (H)	1-1	5,318
Sat Oct 16	Fulham (A)	0-1	13,715
Tues Oct 19	Barnsley (A)	0-1	12,026
Sat Oct 23	Sheff Utd (H)		
Tues Oct 26	Port Vale (H)		
Sat Oct 30	Bolton (A)		
Sat Nov 6	Huddersfield (A)		
Sat Nov 13	Norwich (H)		
Sat Nov 20	Wolverhampton (A)		
Tues Nov 23	Charlton (H)		
Sat Nov 27	Birmingham (A)		
Sat Dec 4	Walsall (H)		
Sat Dec 18	Man City (A)		
Sun Dec 26	Portsmouth (H)		
Tues Dec 28	Tranmere (A)		
Mon Jan 3	QPR (H)		
Sat Jan 15	Ipswich (A)		
Sat Jan 22	Crystal Palace (H)		
Sat Jan 29	West Brom (A)		
Sat Feb 5	Grimsby (H)		
Sat Feb 12	Blackburn (A)		
Sat Feb 19	Birmingham (H)		
Sat Feb 26	Crewe (H)		
Sat Mar 4	Nott'm Forest (A)		
Tues Mar 7	Huddersfield (H)		
Sat Mar 11	Charlton (A)		
Sat Mar 18	Wolverhampton (H)		
Tues Mar 21	Norwich (A)		
Sat Mar 25	Portsmouth (A)		
Sat Apr 1	Man City (H)		
Sat Apr 8	QPR (A)		
Sat Apr 15	Tranmere (H)		
Sat Apr 22	Fulham (H)		
Mon Apr 24	Stockport (A)		
Sat Apr 29	Barnsley (H)		
Sun May 7	Sheff Utd (A)		

Goalkeeper	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders	Defenders
TALIA	HULBERT (2)	HALL	WILLIAMS	ROBINSON	GOODEN	LEITCH	NDAH	WALTERS					
TALIA	HULBERT (3)	HALL (2)	WILLIAMS	ROBINSON	DAVIS	LEITCH	NDAH	WALTERS					
TALIA	HULBERT (3)	HALL	WILLIAMS	ROBINSON (1)	TAYLOR	MCHUGH	NDAH	HOWE					
TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	HOWE	WALTERS	REEVES	NDAH	DAVIS					
TALIA	ROBINSON (2)	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	WALTERS	HOWE	NDAH (3)	DAVIS					
TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES (1)	WALTERS	HOWE	NDAH	DAVIS					
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TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	A WILLIAMS	THIRLWELL	HOWE	MCHUGH					
TALIA	ROBINSON (1)	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	A WILLIAMS	THIRLWELL	HOWE	MCHUGH					
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GLASS	ROBINSON	WILLIS	REEVES	MCHUGH (2)	HOWE	THIRLWELL	J WILLIAMS	A WILLIAMS					
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GLASS	A WILLIAMS	HALL	DAVIES (1)	REEVES	GOODEN	THIRLWELL	HOWE	NDAH					
GLASS	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	A WILLIAMS	WALTERS	HOWE	THIRLWELL					
GLASS	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	THIRLWELL	WALTERS	HOWE(2)	GOODEN (1)					



this season's top scorers

Giuliano Grazioli	2
Mark Walters	2
Iffy Onuora	1
George Ndah	1

this season's top gates

Sat Sept 11th vs Nott'm Forest	8,203
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Sat Oct 2nd vs Bolton	6,711
Sat Aug 28th vs West Brom	6,565

last four games

Barnsley (A)	LOST	1-0
Fulham (A)	LOST	1-0
Stockport (H)	DREW	1-1
Bolton (H)	LOST	4-0



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denotes player replaced ()

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GRAZIOLI (1)	ONUORA	GRIFIN	TAYLOR	HOWE	REEVES	GLASS	
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GRAZIOLI	ONUORA (2)	WALTERS	HAY	WILLIS	REEVES	GLASS	
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NDAH	ONUORA (2)	WALTERS	GRIFIN	WILLIS	DAVIS	GLASS	
NDAH	WALTERS	J WILLIAMS	ONUORA	WILLIS	DAVIS	GLASS	
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ONUORA	WALTERS	HAY (1)	HULBERT (2)	GOODEN (3)	GRIFIN	MILDENHALL	
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division one

TEAM	PLD	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Man City	12	7	2	3	16	7	23
Charlton	10	7	1	2	20	11	22
Fulham	11	6	4	1	14	6	22
Birmingham	13	6	3	4	21	14	21
Stockport	12	6	3	3	15	15	21
Ipswich	11	6	2	3	25	16	20
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Huddersfield	12	5	3	4	22	16	18
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West Brom	11	2	7	2	10	10	13
Norwich	12	3	4	5	10	13	13
Crystal Palace	11	3	3	5	16	20	12
Crewe	11	3	3	5	14	20	12
Tranmere	13	3	3	7	14	22	12
Walsall	13	3	3	7	11	23	12
Port Vale	13	3	2	8	14	20	11
Swindon	13	2	3	8	8	20	9

stfc first team appearances 1999/2000

player name:	squad number	league apps.	cup apps.	goals all comps	total apps.
Frank Talia	1	8	2	-	10
Mark Robinson	2	12(1)	2	-	14(1)
Gareth Hall	3	11	2	-	13
Scott Leitch	4	1	1	-	2
Gareth Davies	5	7	1	-	9
Bobby Howe	7	12	1(1)	1	13(1)
George N'cah	8	12	2	1	14
iffy Onuora	9	8(4)	2	1	10(4)
Giuliano Grazioli	10	3(2)	2	2	5(2)
Ty Gooden	11	4(1)	-	-	4(1)
Alan Reeves	12	11	1	-	12
Jimmy Glass	13	5	-	-	5
Mark Walters	14	10(2)	2	2	12(2)
Chris Hay	15	3(4)	(1)	1	3(5)
Lee Collins	16	-	-	-	-
Steve Cowe	17	-	-	-	-
Steve Mildenhall	18	-	-	-	-
Adam Willis	19	2(2)	(1)	-	2(3)
Charlie Griffin	20	(5)	(1)	-	(6)
Sol Davis	21	3	2	-	5
Robin Hulbert	22	1(2)	2	-	3(2)
Phillippe Cuervo	23	-	-	-	-
Sam Campagna	24	-	-	-	-
Frazer McHugh	25	6(2)	(1)	-	6(3)
Nicky Burke	26	-	-	-	-
Jamie Mills	27	-	-	-	-
Ricky Culbertson	28	-	-	-	-
Alan Flanagan	29	-	-	-	-
Paul McAreavey	30	-	-	-	-
Alun Hughes	31	-	-	-	-
James Williams	32	4(2)	1	-	5(2)
Andy Williams	33	8	-	-	8
Paul Thirlwell	6	8	-	-	8

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