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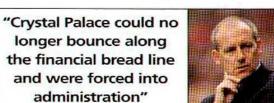






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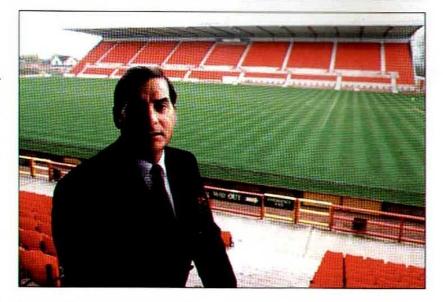


Welcome to tonight's League Division One fixture against Crystal Palace.

The past couple of weeks have left me feeling very much like the boxer left sitting in his corner, having taken a severe beating, battered and bruised and now reflecting what should be his next move.

The pain of having to make so many redundancies recently is still with me and the results on the pitch continue to be disappointing. Added to this, to receive the news that our President, Cecil Green, had passed away was for me the culmination of a very depressing period at the Club.





The operational cuts, I'm afraid, were forced upon us and were made in an effort to reduce our ongoing losses. Jim's fight to improve the team met with disaster in the recall of Michael Carrick and the injury to Mark McCammon.

However, to lose our dear friend and mentor Cecil Green was for me the toughest one to take. He was a lovely man in every sense of the word, a gentleman, a football stalwart and someone who was always ready to give help, guidance and assist wherever he could. His knowledge of the game was incredible and his eye for a potential star was always there. He had an

insatiable appetite for football at all levels wherever there was a game, be it in the Hellenic League, Youth Football - which I know was his particular love - Reserves or the First Team, you can bet Cecil would be there.

I guess we all knew when he did not appear for the QPR game something was seriously wrong n there is no doubt he will be a sad loss to this Club, this Town and particularly to me n the Boardroom will not be the same without him.

God rest his soul.

Cliff Puffett, Chairman.

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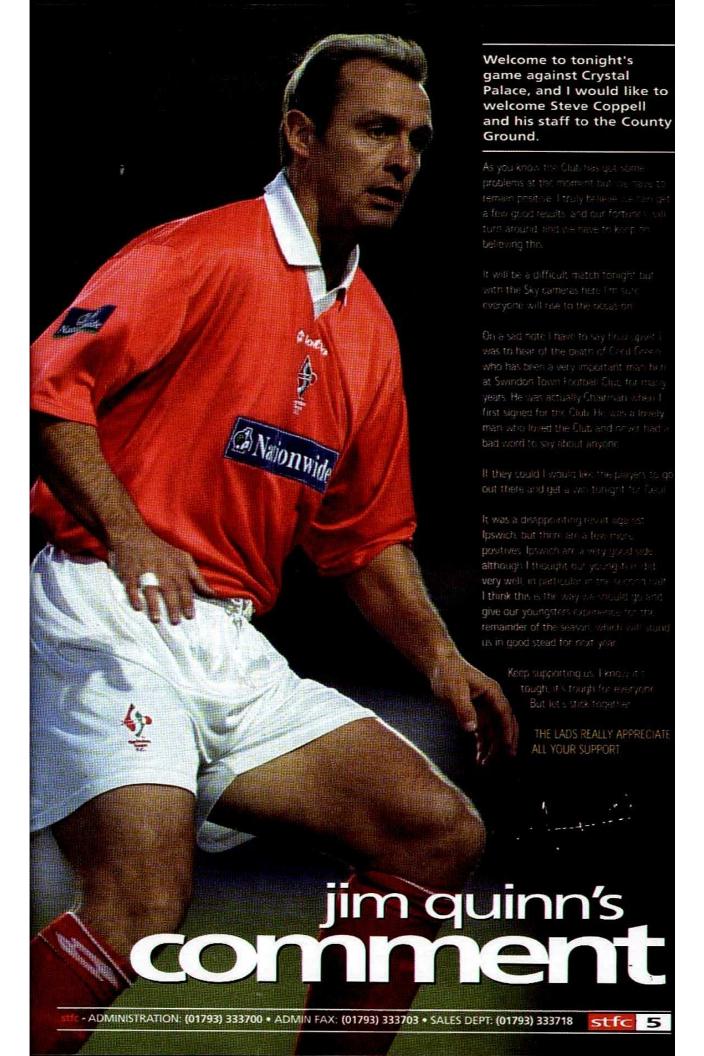
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Good evening and welcome to tonight's match against Crystal Palace. We hope you enjoy the match and have a safe journey home.

The Eagles are in a very similar position to Swindon and, like ourselves, will welcome the opportunity to play in front of the Sky cameras, of course the money isn't bad either!

Crystal Palace could no longer bounce along the financial bread line and were forced into administration last season. Furthermore, they also parted company with their controversial Chairman Mark Goldberg and have now set about a re-building programme that will first of all quarantee their survival as a club, followed by their survival in the First Division. At present the latter is going quite well with Steve Coppell's side lying in 15th position. Coppell is lucky enough. to have some highly talented youngsters at his disposal and, considering the clubs financial restrictions, they're not doing badly. However, due to their mounting debts they could well be forced to sell another key first-team member. Transfer speculation has surrounded Coppell's squad all season and although no firm decisions have been made, the likes of Mathias Svensson, Hayden Mullins, Leon McKenzie, Nicky Rizzo and Jamie Smith are certainly the most saleable assets. Palace still owe millions in unpaid transfer fees and if a settlement with the parties involved (Juventus and

Strasbourg) can't be reached, we may witness a transfer scramble for their young stars at knock-down prices. A consortium is attempting to buy the club which, if successful,

will hopefully secure their future in the Football League in the long-term.

The Town recorded their second consecutive away win at Selhurst Park on matchday two this season, however it has been quite a different story since the two sides met back in August. The Eagles have been aided by the good form of Mathias Svensson whose late goals have secured some valuable points, although he is doubtful tonight with a knee injury. Therefore we might witness the return of Clinton Morrison, the scorer of Palace's only goal against Swindon early this season in he has been sidelined for three months with a dislocated shoulder.

Let's hope Swindon Town can continue their good run of results against Palace, having won four out of their last five meetings and hopefully the Town can do it in front of the Sky cameras.



Crystal Palace

Back row - left to right: Richard Harris, Lee Bradbury (now Portsmouth), David Tuttle (now Barnsley), Andy Linighan, David Woozley, Matthias Svensson, Jonathan Boardman.

Third row - left to right: Ohris Sharpling, Roscoe Dsane, Stephen Hunt, Lee Kendall, Fraser Digby, Matthiew Gregg, Clinton Morrison, Andrew Martin, Stephen Evans.

Second row - left to right. Vic Betinelli (kit manager and goalkeeping coach), Andrew Frampton, Dean Austin, James Hibburt, Sean Hankin, Fan Zhiyi, Stephen Kabba, Wayne

Carlisle, Leon McKenzie, Gary Sadier (physiotherapist).

Front row Veft to right. Nicky Rizzo, Gareth Graham (now Brentford), Simon Rodger, Steve Kember (reserve team manager), Steve Coppell (manager), Hayden Mullims, Stephen
Thomson, Jamie Fullartion, Jamie Smith.

fraser digby



Fraser joined Palace in August, just four days before the start of the season, and was immediately installed as Kevin Miller's No.2.

Indeed, he took over the green jersey after Miller was injured and made his Palace bow in the home win against Oxford United, a game in which he kept a clean sheet. Fraser retained his first team place even after Miller returned to fitness before eventually being displaced after the game with Tranmere in December.

However, he has enough character to bounce back and will be pressing Miller hard next campaign.

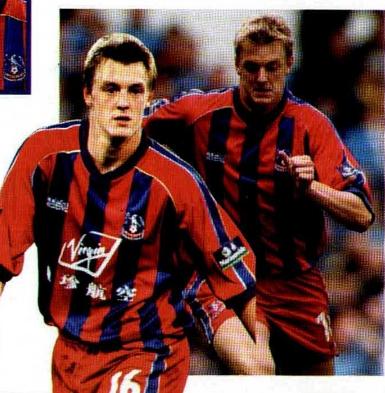
birthplace Broas
date of birth 24.10.74
height 6ft 0in
weight 12st 4lb
position forward
previous club records

club games goals ortsmouth 49 (13) 12

'Sven' has been another Palace player to be blighted by injury.

Having arrived from FC Tirol in September, the Swede managed only a handful of appearances and just the one goal before suffering an ankle injury. Having recovered from that blow, the 24 year-old striker then fell victim to a ruptured spleen during our draw at Bristol City - an injury that kept him out of action until April.

Matthias then had the misfortune to sustain yet another knock, which ruled him out of our run-in. He will be hoping for better luck next campaign! matthias svensson



players



Dean joined the Eagles from lottenham Hotspur last close season and, after a shaky start, played a pivoted role in Palace's late revival. Now an established defender at Selhurst Park, the 29-year old will be hoping for a more consistent campaign next season.



Despite being written off by some observers at the end of Palaceis failed Premiership campaign, Andy responded in fine style with host of excellent performances at the heart of the Eaglesi back-line. He even foraged forward on occasion and even once came close to scoring.

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Nicky Rizzo

date of birth 09.06.79

height -
weight -
position midfielder
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The 20 year-old Australian is a fans favourite at Selhurst Park, the fans have come to delight in his impressive performances on the wing. Quick, nimble and with an eye for goal the youngster who signed from Liverpool in the close season will surely be one of the stars of the Palace side this season.



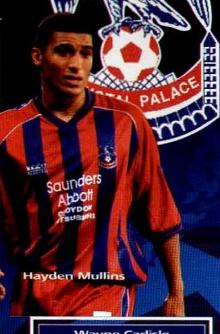
Hayden had a wonderful campaign in 98/99 season. He was the Eagles' most consistent performer, appearing in 47 games in total and also scored five goals - a fantastic record for a player who ended it as an accomplished sweeper.



Jamie steadily built up his confidence last term with a series of good performances. Capable of surging runs and good crosses from the right-hand flank, the 24 year-old defender was another of the enforced loan departures in March and he made the relatively short trip across London to Fulham.

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Simon Rodger
date of birth 03.10.71
height 5ft 9ins
weight 11st 9lbs
position midfielder
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Palace's longest servicing player and an established favourite of the fans, 'Jolly' managed only 18 appearances for the Eagles last season before injury curtailed his campaign. The 28 year-old has been a very consistent performer this campaign.



V	/ayn	e Carlisle	
date of	birth	09.09.79	
height	5ft 7ins		
weight	10st		
position		nidfield	

Wayne managed that elusive first team debut towards the end of the campaign. A fast, skilful winger, the Northern Ireland youth international has impressed the Eaglesi coaching staff with his determination and tenacity.



One of Palace's most reliable performers of last season, Craig has impressed the Palace fans following his summer move from Portsmouth. The Australian international has established himself as a polished performer off the field as well as on it, as he was made the eagles' captain towards the end of the campaign.





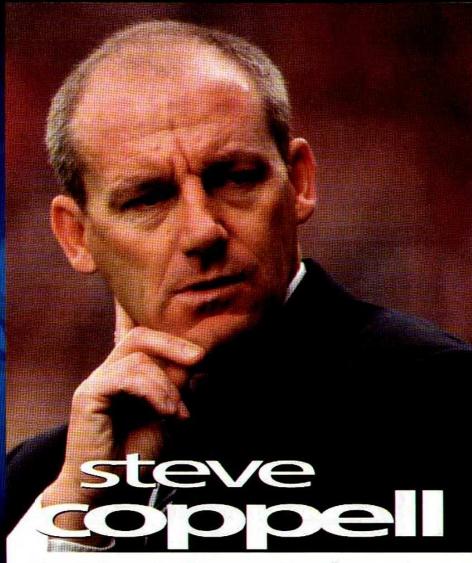
Last season was another infuriating one for Jamie, as injury prevented him from playing a substantial role in the Eagles' First Division campaign. The combative Scotsman signed in July 1997 from Bastia.



Although he enjoyed a fine goal scoring run at the beginning of last season, all his strikes were. unfortunately, for Peterborough United on-loan. His natural ability, though, is not in doubt and maybe this season will be the one where he makes the transition from 'nearly man' to 'proven striker'.



It was typical of Clinton's attitude to the game that he should score on his full debut, a last-minute winner against Sheffield Wednesday in the final game of Palace's Premiership sojourn Last term Clinton was Palace's leading goalscorer by a considerable margin with 13 goals.



After starting out with Tranmere Rovers, Steve had an illustrious playing career with Manchester United.

He was also a highly regarded England international before injury brought about his premature retirement. He came to Crystal Palace as manager in the summer of 1984 and took the club into the top flight via the Second Division play-offs in 1988/89. Things were to get even better as Steve then managed to steer the club to the FA Cup Final, a third place finish in the top division and a Zenith Data Systems Cup Final victory.

With relegation in 1993 Steve resigned but returned to Palace in 1995 as Director of Football, a role he retained when Dave Bassett was appointed boss in early 1996. In October 1996 he had a very brief spell in charge of Manchester City.

When Dave Bassett left Crystal Palace in early 1997, Steve found himself back at Selhurst Park for a third spell, this time in the role of caretaker manager. He repeated his success of 1989 and lead the club to promotion via the play-offs. In the 1997/98 season, with Palace struggling in the Premiership, he stepped upstairs to the board again. However last season, with Palace in a financial crisis and the departure of Terry Venables, he found himself in charge of the club for the fourth time.

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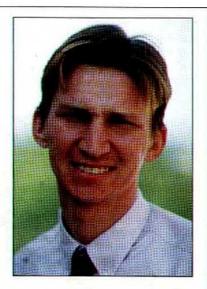
EVERYONE predicted this was going to be a tough season? But I doubt anyone really knew just how tough life was going to be for Town.

Both on the field and off it, things have gone from bad to worse. With only three wins this campaign they are already eight. points adrift of safety and there is no doubt the future looks very bleak for Jim Quinn and his team. The 15 redundancies announced last week brought home to everyone just how bad the financial plight of the club is and proved that chairman Cliff Puffett's calls for help were not simply a stunt to improve falling gates. It is hoped that by the time we enter the summer months this club will have secured the investment of £1million from local businessmen and the cuts in staff and squad will have ensured financial stability for the foreseeable future.

It will come as a great relief to Swindon fans that their club is safe. Something

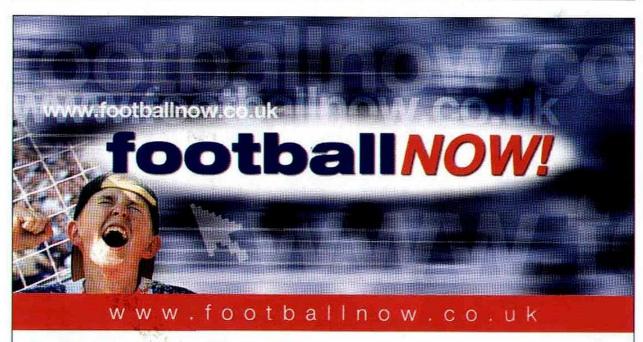
which still cannot be said for our visitors this evening, Crystal Palace. They still cower under the heavy financial cloud of debt and the fans wonder every day if they will have a club to support by nightfall. Football is a game controlled by money. It is a game of the haves and have nots and it is a game where if you are not in the hallowed Premiership then you are simply a nobody.

What Swindon and Crystal Palace have to do is find that happy medium where they can survive, not get into debt and still produce a team to be proud of. While they are trying to find this place, the fans will also want to see a successful team out on the pitch playing a brand of exciting and enthralling football. It is not an easy task. With little money to spend Jim Quinn is looking to focus his future on the youngsters and players like Sam Campagna, Frazer McHugh, James Williams, Sol Davis and Paul McAreavey will figure more and more as this season goes on. There must also be a place for experience and Quinn will need at least three or four senior players to give the



side a bit of stability and direction. There is no doubt this is something of a transitional era for both clubs and only time will tell if they can come out of it. with any level of success.

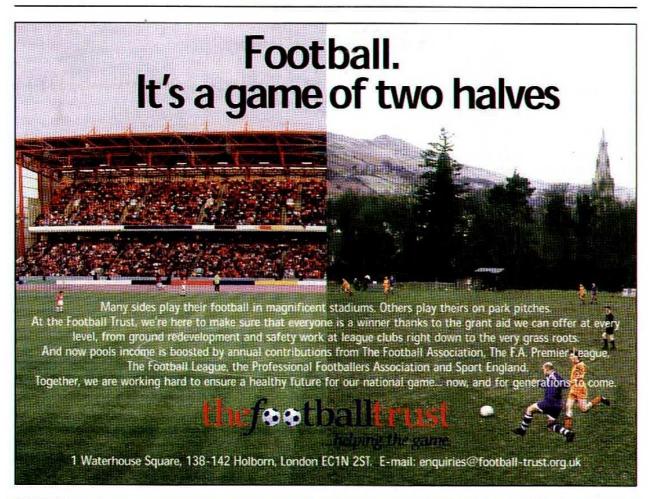
The days of Premier League football are gone and they must both prepare to run a club on a much smaller budget with smaller crowds and a smaller squad. It is important that during this time of change the fans stick by those who are making the decisions and trust they can build us a better future. It is not going to be easy, but that's life.

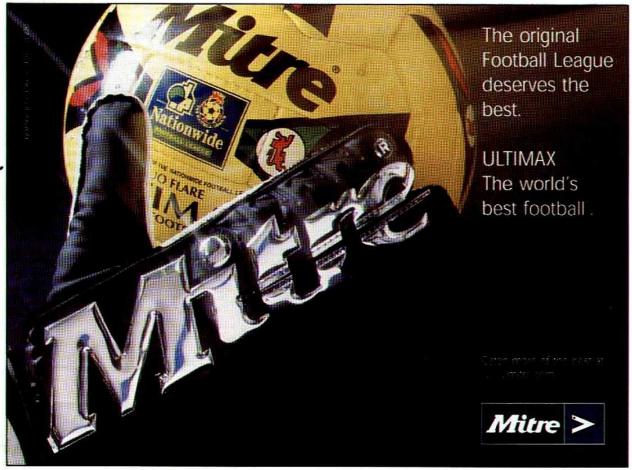


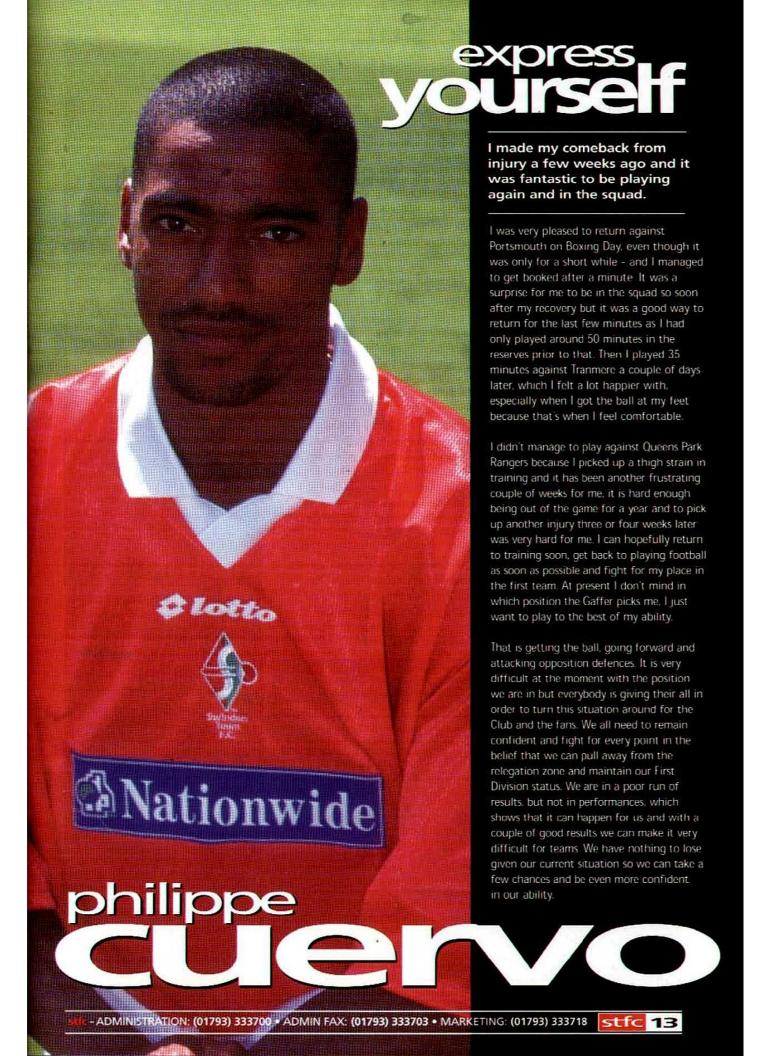
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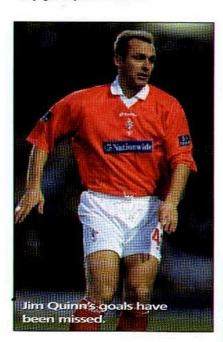






Brighton & Hove Albion Res Swindon Town Res 0

Unfortunately the reserves suffered their first defeat of the season by a single goal away to Brighton. We gave a goal away and were slow in the first twenty minutes but, to be honest, after that the lads put in a very good performance.



We definitely deserved to get something out of the game because our general play was of a high standard and, if we had got a goal, then I think we would have gone on to win the match. The players could not have done a lot more and created quite a few really good chances which, with a bit of luck, would have gone in. On the whole our loss wasnit justified but we have had games this season when it has been close and weive had a bit of luck that has turned the match in our favour, so we can't really complain too much.

Nobody likes losing and everyone that has played in the reserves this season has done extremely well and it was brilliant for them to go 11 games unbeaten. It breeds confidence which is all-important for the club because we hope they will carry that confidence and attitude with them when they play in the first team.

Again we tried to bring a few of the younger players into the side. This is good for them when they get some games under their belt. You never know when they might be needed to make the step-up to the first team should injury, illness or suspensions strike. It might not have been as experienced as some of the teams we have put out, but everyone did very well despite the loss. As the Gaffer has mentioned, for the rest of the season the younger players will be given a go and it is up to them to take their chances and claim a regular first team place. Weive always got to keep that in mind and the reserves have done very well as far results are concerned but the overall picture tells us that the younger lads have to get more experience.

My role within the Club has not changed a great deal since the staff changes. The workload is the same but I can help out with a few extra bits and pieces. I will continue to get on with the job and am determined to make it work.

League Table (STFC results up to IB.0I.00)

TEAM	P	W	D	ı	F	A	PTS
Swindon	12	9	2	11	25	112	29
Ipswich	10	8	2	0	29	12	26
Peterborough	13	7	3	3	28	14	24
QPR	11	7	2	2	26	12	23
Millwall	11	6	94 4	1	22	10	22
Fulham	11	6	3	2	17	10	21
Portsmouth	10	6	1	3	18	13	19
Norwich	12	3	6	3	17	14	15
Bournemouth	11	4	3	4	15	20	15
Oxford	12	4	2	6	21	23	14
Cambridge	12	4	2	6	13	18	14
Leyton Orient	11	4	2	5	16	24	14
Bristol City	7	3	3	1	13	10	12
Brighton	8	3	11	4	13	14	10
Gillingham	9	3	11	5	8	12	10
Bristol Rovers	9	2	3	4	15	14	9
Luton	12	2	3	7	13	23	9
Wycombe	9	2	1	6	8	19	7
Southend	10	2	1	7	12	26	7
Colchester	11	1	4	5	13	28	7
Northampton	9	1	3	5	12	18	6
Barnet	10	1	2	7	12	20	5

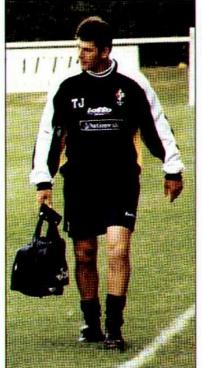


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Wed Aug 18	Cambridge Utd	4-0
WED SEPT 1	NORTHAMPTON T.	2-1
Wed Sept 8	Luton Town	1-0
Wed sept 22	BARNET	4-3
Tue Oct 05	Millwall	2-0
WED OCT 13	LEYTON ORIENT	1-0
WED OCT 27	FULHAM	2-2
Wed Nov 03	Bristol City	4-4
WED NOV 17	PORTSMOUTH	2-1
Wed Dec 08	Oxford United	2-0
Tue Dec 13	Q.P.R.	2-2
Wed Jan 12	Brighton & H.A.	0-1
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 08	WYCOMBE W.	2.00PM
WED MAR 15	PETERBIRO UTD	2.00PM
Wed Mar 29	Southend United	7.45pm
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Jimmy Shoulder, Phil Cannon and myself along with the chairman and Bob Holt have put in a lot of hard work to secure the future of the youth set-up here at Swindon.

We are very confident that there will still be a youth team and a centre of excellence programme here at Swindon Town. We have a had a lot of meetings and the other parties have gone away and now it's up to them. We do need

sponsors to come in and help with the finances and, so far, the response from everybody has been very favourable. We have secured the short-term future of the youth set-up but we work to a four-year programme with the Sports Council, Premier League and National Lottery. They are the organisations that need to get involved if we are to secure the long-term future. We can now work to a plan that, if we raise enough money locally and through sponsors then other charities can get involved.



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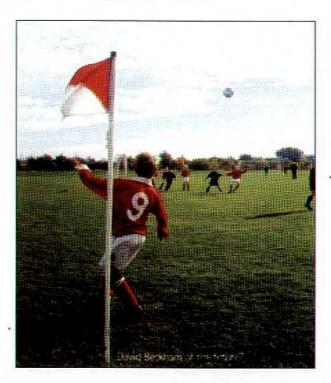
At the moment it's very important to continue its running on a day-to-day basis and maintain the normal procedures in terms of training and matches. We're very keen to see out the remaining fixtures of this season and then look beyond that.

On the playing side of things we've continued to be a bit erratic and all season we haven't put back-to-back performances together. Two weeks ago we travelled to Exeter who are top of the League and beat them 4-0, which was a fantastic result in light of what's been going on. It

was the lads' best performance of the season so far. Then the following Saturday we travelled to the local enemy, if you like, Cirencester Academy.

On an awful pitch we ended up losing 2-0. A couple of lapses in concentration again cost us the points in a ,match that we had the lion's share of possession, especially in the second half. The lads still have to learn that, week-in week-out they have to put in a level of performance that will earn them a pro contract. A lot of these boys are the future of this Club and they have to take on board that they have to be more professional on the whole, not only on the pitch on matchdays, but on the training ground and in everyday life. I felt that they let themselves down after such a good performance the week before, particularly against our local rivals. It was a rough and tough game on a dire pitch which didn't help matters. The actual football that could be played was limited and the ball should have been stretchered off considering the battering it took.

These sort of matches will stand the lads in good stead because they have fallen foul of entering an Under-19 league when most of them are Under-16s and 17s. It has been a bit of an eye-opener for them as they are now starting full-time training. They have come on from playing Under-18s football to Under-19s and although it's only one year, it is a big step - and you're then playing against adults. It is hard but they will learn from the experience and be better for it hopefully next season.



the editor talks with Gareth Hall...

We never seem to get anything from Ipswich, how did you rate our performance on Saturday?

We haven't had the best of times against Ipswich, certainly since I've been here anyway. We had a very young side out and were up against it really from the start. Obviously, they are a very good side and they have proved that over the last three or four years. They're certainly one of the best teams in this league and they made it very difficult for us on Saturday, we're disappointed by the result but we have to learn from it and take all the positives out of the game.

As you say it was a young side. As one of the most experienced members of the team, what can you do to help the younger lads through?

We've all been in that situation at some point in our careers because you have to start somewhere. The only way you can gain experience is being thrown into games like that, it's all you can do. Hopefully they have taken on a few things and if the senior players can help them on a little bit then all the better.

Players like James Williams and Sam Campagna came on as well, how do you think they have developed this season?

Yes they did, it's all about getting games under their belts and, the more they play, the more they learn and improve. First team football is very different from the reserves and they have adapted very well. All the young players have now got the chance to impress and it's up to them to take that chance.

With the exception of last Saturday the points have been there for the taking recently, what can you do to make sure of results? Well, we've certainly been working hard enough in games and at times, like against QPR, you don't get the rub of the green. As players, all we can do is look forward to the next game and be positive that we can win it. We've got another big game coming up against Crystal Palace, a team that we have beaten away from home this season. We haven't got anything to fear and it's a great opportunity to go out and prove to people that we are not a bottom of the table side.

It's been noticeable that, despite all the problems the Club is facing off the field, the players are more determined than ever to turn it around, what is the attitude like in the dressing room?

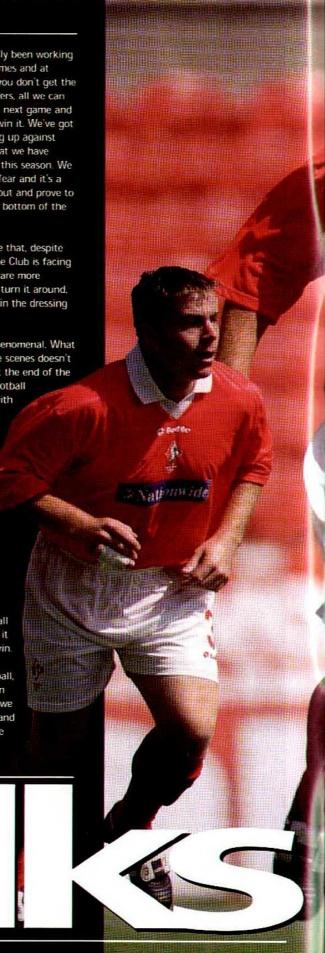
Yes, it has been phenomenal. What goes on behind the scenes doesn't effect us on the pitch. At the end of the day we're paid to play football and we have to get on with that. We need to score a few more goals, win matches and that's what we've been striving for. At the moment, as for anything that goes on outside of the

How will you approach Friday's game?

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a lot we can do about it.

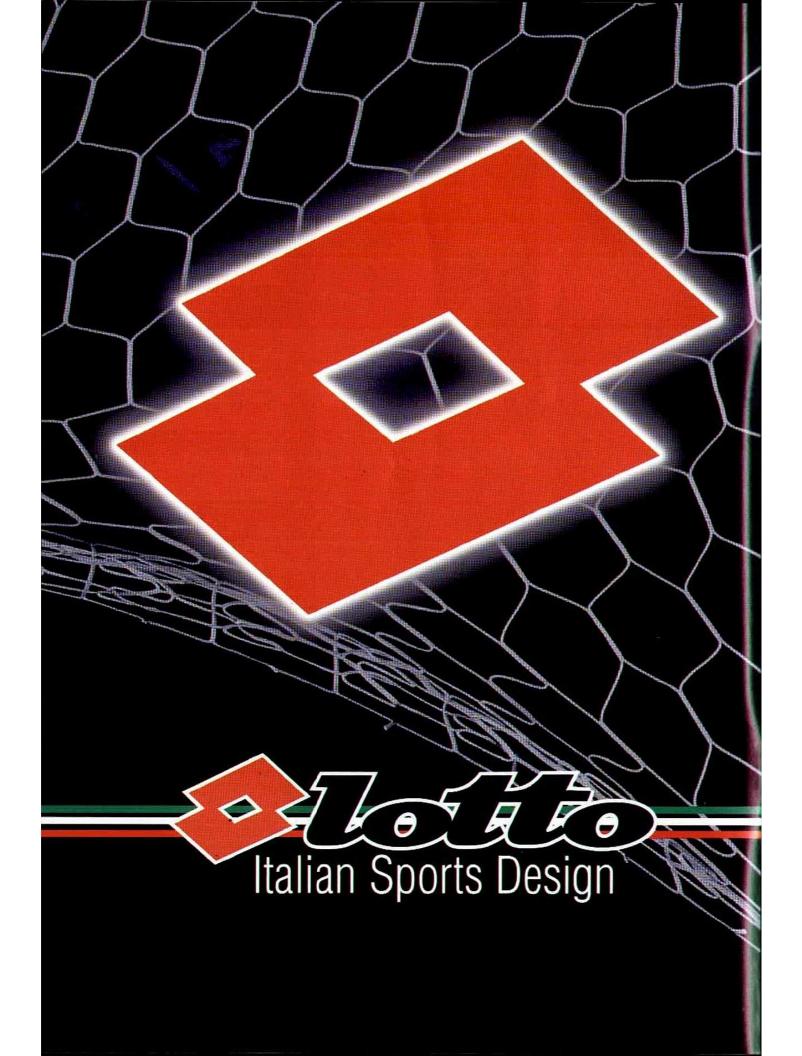
As I've said, we're all looking forward to it and hope we can get a win. You never know what's going to happen in football, if we get a good win then the picture changes and we could then take that on and go on a run that will take us away from the relegation places.













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We ask everyone to support the draw and get behind the Club. Lets start the REVIVAL together NOW. Please use the application below, photocopies may be taken, or pick up an application form at our desk in the away travel office on match days.

Once completed the form may be sent to us STFC Supporters Club C/O County Ground Swindon Wilts SN1 2ED, or handed in to us on match days at the desk in the away travel office. Your Football Club must be worth the 50p per week entry and a chance to win a top prize.

Those wishing to pay by standing order should complete both parts A and B of the form whilst anyone wishing to pay by cheque, postal order or cash should complete part A only. Cheques should be payable to STFC Supporters Club Robins Revival. Completed forms and payments as appropriate should be sent as indicated. Annual payments of £24 are available on request.

Contact tel no. 01793 825935 or 01747 840721 In person: Away Travel Office on matchdays. HELP THE ROBINS REVIVAL AND BE A WINNER TOO! Simply complete the application form and send it to: Revival 50/50 Draw, STFC Supporters Club, County Ground, Swindon, SN1 2ED

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I am over 16 years of age.

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Firstly we extend a very warm welcome to

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to enable us to further extend our busy

project. Both Jon and I sincerely thank

Our other quests this evening are Peter

Ford and his colleague Nigel Bryant from

support - and long may it continue.

Sportsmatch giving us a fantastic £10,000

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Tonight Jon and I are delighted to welcome some very distinguished guests for tonight's important fixture against Crystal Palace.

Marlborough College. Peter we know is an avid Palace fan, but he has promised not to wear their colours for tonights game!. We hope you enjoy your evening with us.

Last Friday saw the start of the prestigious 8-a-side tournamant at Greendown School. It proved to be a very exciting evening with Normarsh narrowly defeating Southview Primary in the final - 3-2 on penalties. Normarsh, from Wootton Bassett now go into the grand final to play the winners of tonight's teams. We will give you an up-date on tonight's results in the Grimsby Town programme on the 5th February.

Moving on, we were delighted to sponsor Pat Broderick last year when he gallantly



ran the Cricklade half-marathon on the 5th October. He clocked a time of 1 hour 54 minutes and raised over £1,000 for the Cricklade Leisure Centre. Some of you may recognise him (pictured below) wearing number 19. Well done Pat for your efforts.

The February half-term break is fast approaching with the first Swindon Town 'Funweek' of the new millennium booked for the 22nd, 23rd and 24th here at the club. Please get your applications in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Enjoy the game, Clive and Jon.







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The fixtures below are away trips organised for you and your family to travel to and enjoy a day out with us. These matches are organised on a RECIPROCAL BASIS ONLY. If you are interested in going to any of these matches on the Robins' coach PLEASE contact Annie or Paul, at S.A.S Travel at least one week prior to the match itself. See 'Away Travel' in the matchday programme for information BUT REMEMBER they

We have four away family trips booked for you at the moment, they are:

Saturday - February 12th 2000 - Blackburn Tuesday - March 21st 2000 - Norwich City

Saturday - March 25th 2000 - Portsmouth

Monday - April 24th 2000 - Stockport County

must have your booking at least one week before the match is played.

Donations

Once again we are appealing for any donations, however small, to contribute towards the costs to help

keep our Robins functional. The Robins are 'self sufficient' and receive no help from the Club towards their activities. Please contact a committee member if you can help. This is YOUR PAGE so send us anything to do with S.T.F.C., pictures of your favourite player, poems, letters, jokes and if we like them, then we'll print them.

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Football Training - exclusive to members. Jr's and R's receive training Monday evenings at the Oasis.

today's lucky mascots



Leah Randall

Leah will be celebrating her 40th Birthday on Monday, and what better way to enjoy it than a day here at the County Ground. Leah works at Motorola and enjoys football. Her favourite player is Mark Robinson.



Hayley Taylor

Hayley will also be celebrating on Monday - her 13th brithday. Hayley attends Brayden Forest School, enjoys football and shopping and her favourite player is Frank Talia.



Lloyd Parker

Lloyd will be 8-years-old next Saturday. He attends Lainesmead School and enjoys playing football and video games. His favourite Swindon Town player is Frank Talia.



Christopher Ackrill

Chris will be 7-years-old on Thursday. He also goes to Lainesmead Primary School. He enjoys football and drawing. His favourite Swindon Town player is Chris Hay.



Jordan Brown

Jordan celebrated his 8th birthday yesterday. Jordan goes to Wroughton Junior School and enjoys playing football and street hockey. He plays for Lydiard U-8's and his favourite player is Giuliao Grazioli.

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Here at the County Ground we offer a number of corporate hospitality packages to suit all occasions. For matchdays we offer the following:

Package for 10 - 40 guests in the 'Matchball' Suite.

- · Three Course Meal including Coffee
- Behind the scenes tour (weekends only)
- Licensed Bar facility
- · Complimentary Matchday Magazine
- · Seats in the Executive Box
- Cover endorsement and editorial in the Matchday Magazine.
- Endorsement of sponsorship over the PA system
- Presentation of autographed football by 'Man of the Match'
- Half Time refreshments

Prices based on table of 10

Α	Gold	£880.00	20 30
В	Silver	£780.00	
C	Bronze	£680.00	

Package for 20 - 40 guests in the 'Matchday' Suite

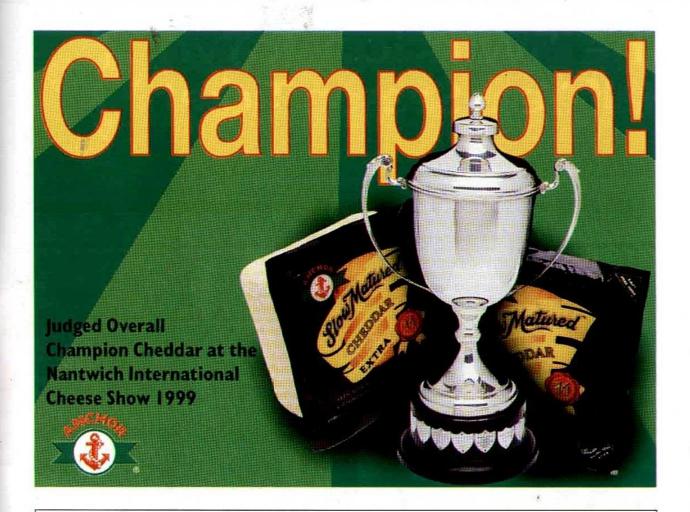
- Champagne reception
- Three course meal
- Seats in the Executive Box
- Front cover flash, editorial and full page ad in the Matchday Magazine
- Behind the scenes tour (weekends only)
- An opportunity to vote for your 'Man of the Match'
- Post-match presentations with your nominated 'Man of the Match'
- Two directors car park passes
- Acknowledgement over PA system
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- Complimentary Matchday Magazine for each of your guests

Prices based on 40 quests

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C	Bronze	£3100.00	Ħ

If you would like to book a table and discuss a suitable fixture. Then please contact our Marketing Department on 01793 333 718





news from the treatment





I was very disappointed to see Dave Moore leave the Club. I would like to go on record and thank Dave for all his support and help as, not only was he a good physio, but also a good friend which makes it doubly disappointing. I would like to wish Dave the best of luck for the future.



Philippe has still got a high thigh strain and to compound that he had a flu virus last week. We've done some running today (Mon 17th) and we're going to push him hard this week and try to get him available for selection but we'll have to see how it reacts. It's one of those niggling injuries players tend to pick up after such a long injury lay-off.



Graz is now in the water every day and is taking more weight on his foot because the injured leg the muscle tone has diminished so much he has to build that back up in order to start doing some running in early February - he's got to go back and see the surgeon on 1st Feb and get the all-clear. He can be fully weight bearing from then on.

Gareth Davies has started training today and if he comes through a reserve fixture OK, he could be in line for selection come Friday night.

Robin Hulbert picked up a dead-leg in the match against Ipswich Town but that should clear up quite quickly and hopefully he will be back in training in the middle of this week.

In recent weeks we have lost a few players so it is very important to get as many fit and available as soon as possible.



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The Prince's Trust Volunteer programme

In conjunction with Swindon Town FC & Swindon College

Another Prince's Trust Volunteers Programme is due to start later this year at Swindon College.

Run by Swindon College in conjunction with Swindon Town Football Club, the programme offers help to any young person aged between 16 and 25 whether unemployed or wishing to take a break from education. It also provides the opportunity to develop personal skills, work in a team, make new friends and improve the chances of gaining employment. Employers also use the programme for development and training of their staff.

The programme will last for 12 weeks and is absolutely free. Benefits are protected and travel expenses provided. Included in the 12 weeks is a 5-day team-building residential course, projects to help the local community, work placements, fund raising and a final presentation held at Swindon Town Football Club. Participants will gain the following certificates:

- City & Guilds Profile of Achievement
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- · First Aid

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"It was good fun and helpful."

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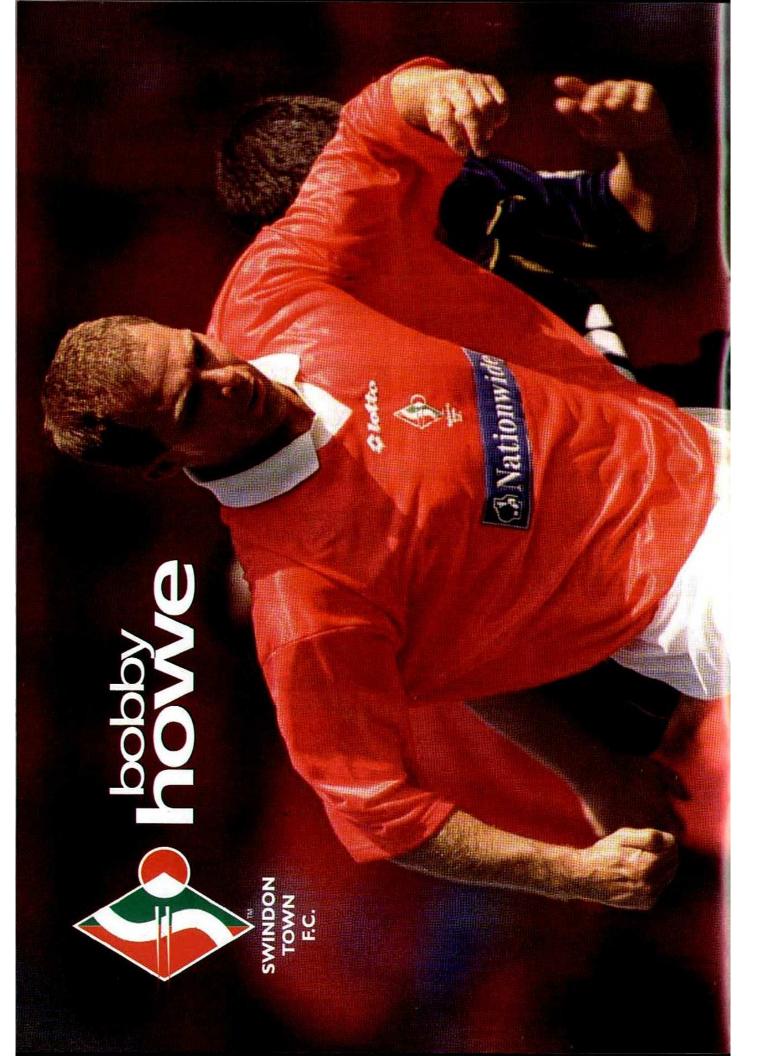
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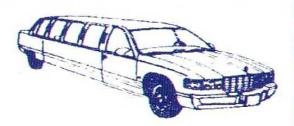


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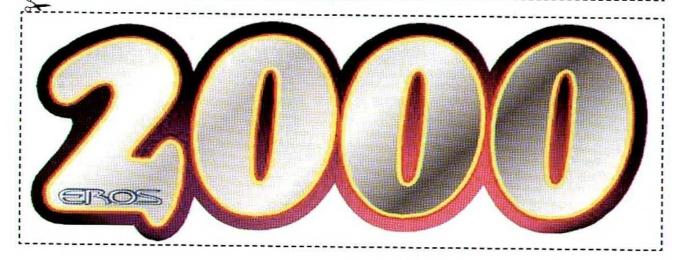
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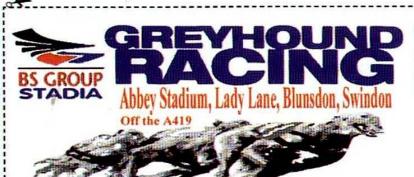
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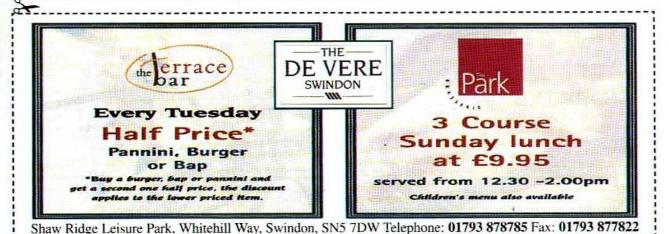


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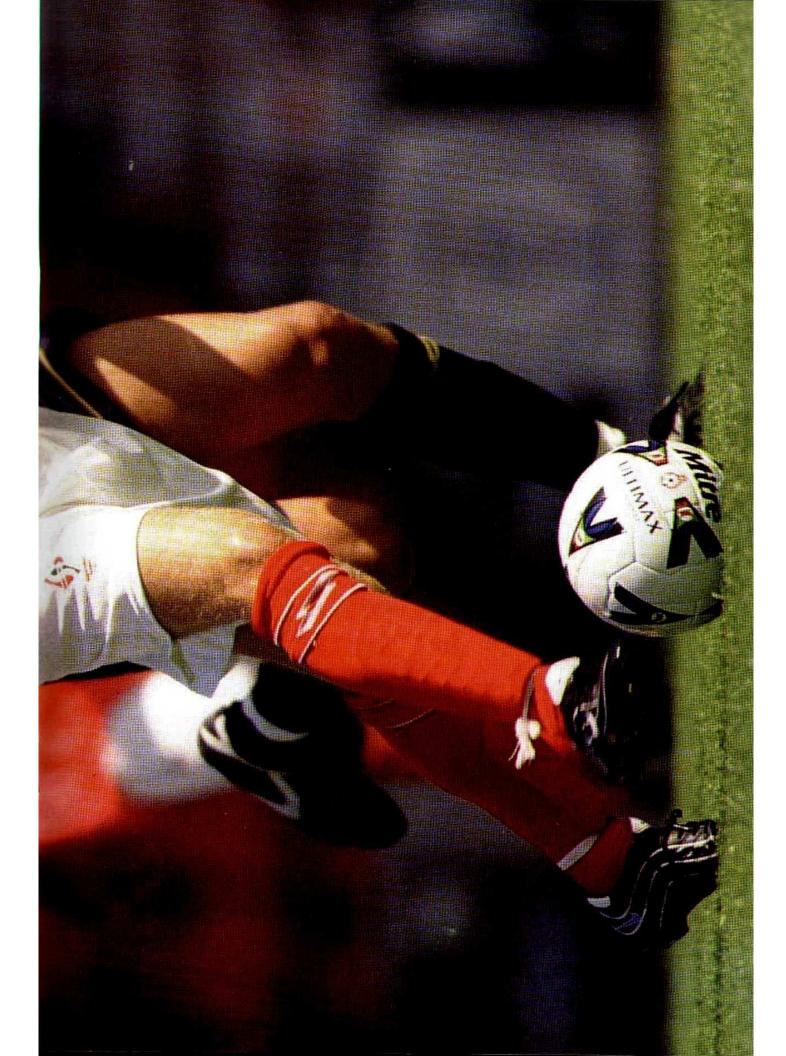
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a brand new feature for this season....

Nationwide Football League Statistics with Carling Opta

Cash-strapped clubs Swindon and Palace haven't got two brass farthings to rub together - but luckily they're both rich in the midfield department.

So, ahead of tonight's big televised clash, we've asked Opta Index, the official statisticians to the Nationwide Football League, to assess the form of Town terrier Lee Collins and the Eagles' schemer, skipper Simon Rodger.

Rodger is Palace's longest-serving player, having joined the club for just £1,000 from Bognor Regis 10 years ago. Collins arrived from the Scottish scene, costing £15,000 from Albion Rovers four years ago. He has had a bad time with injuries but is finally starting to show Robins' fans what he's capable of and will be looking to impress tonight in front of the live TV cameras.

The Palace man recently signed a new contract with the south Londoners and has put in a series of outstanding displays for the Fagles this season, either in his preferred wide left position or in the centre of midfield.

head to Lee Collins v Simon Rodger Dead

Both players are tough tacklers, but this has caused problems. Rodger has conceded two penalties this season, both against Barnsley, while Collins was shown the red card at Tranmere and served his suspension last week, missing the game against Ipswich Town.

But, as our Opta stats show, they can be consistent performers for their teams. Rodger has obviously played a lot more football, but his two goals came in the opening two games of the season and, despite firing in 24 shots since, he has yet to find the net again. Collins has scored just two league goals in his entire career and hasn't fired in one shot so far - but don't expect that to last.

Rodger is Palace's top crosser and has been credited with five goal assists this season. But his pass completion rate is eclipsed by Collins, who has found a fellow Robin with 69 per cent of his balls. And despite his yellow and red card, he has only conceded seven fouls to Rodger's 25.

Players like Chris Hay and Clinton Morrison are the most likely headline-makers from tonight's game, but you can confidently expect these two grizzled performers to have a major say in where the precious points are heading in this basement showdown

minutes on pitch:

Collins: 443 Rodger: 2,279

goal attempts

	Collins	Rodger
goals	0	2
shots on target (inc goals)	0	8
shots off target	0	11
blocked shots	0	7

passing

	Collins	Rodger
goal assists	1	5
total passes	120	741
pass completion	69%	64%

crossing

	Collins	Rodger
total crosses	6	148
cross completion	17%	30%

dribbling

	Collins	Rodger
dribbles & runs	6	37
dribble completion	100%	89%

defending

	Collins	Rodger
tackles made	11	71
tackles won	45%	59%
blocks	4	17
clearances	2	54
interceptions	0	20

discipline

	Collins	Rodger
fouls	7	25
offside	1	5
yellow cards	1	2
red cards	1	0

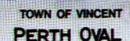
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oval the moon

Allan, Stephen and Craig Mitchley are 'Showing their Colours' outside the Perth Glory Stadium in Oz. Allan has been a Town fan for 30 years and was visiting two unfortunate 'Baggies' fans.



this is your chance to get a mention in the proggy....

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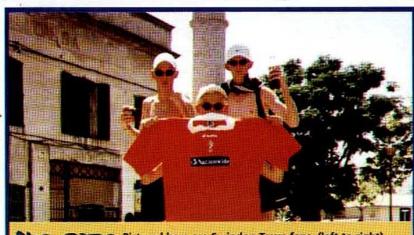
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hong kong ferry

Ken MacKenzie of Kintbury is 'Showing his Colours' in Hong Kong with the 'Star Ferry' crossing the harbour in the background. Look out for more pictures of Ken on his travels.

Yes Ken, a bit like this season, it's all gone a bit Hong Kong!



in SDain

the game Pictured here are Swindon Town fans (left to right) Jamie Davie, Keith Davey and Lee Wilson 'Showing their Colours' in the Town of Alcudia, Majorca.



So this is the new millennium, a place where Manchester United no longer rule the world and where, perhaps more significantly, teams can finish a game with eleven players despite the fact that one has already been sent off. Ground-breaking indeed.

It has certainly been an all-action start to the new year, decade, century and millennium. Manchester United have appeared in the inaugural Football World Club Championship and despite their previous claims to have been the biggest and best club side on the planet have been put firmly in their place by their Latin counterparts.

So much do United yearn for the past that even Mr Beckham offered us a throwback to the PTWE (Pre Thong Wearing Era) with his kamikaze assault on a Necaxa player. United's presence in Rio was expected to boost England's bid for the 2006 World Cup but, judging by their performance both on and off the field, it will have done more harm than good. Sir Alex Ferguson has gone on record as saying that he doesn't regret coming here for one moment, I'm sure that the vast majority of his squad agree with him. Their attitude is hardly surprising, I certainly know where I'd rather be in January given the rather tricky choice of Brazil or Manchester.

The FA Cup however continues without them and if the sponsors were worried that the Cup, minus the reigning holders, would be lacking in both passion and incident they would have been pleasantly surprised by the latest round of matches. Certainly surprise was the name of the game at Prenton Park as Sunderland took on Tranmere. The Wirral club eventually won the game 1-0 but the action did not end there. After having a man sent off it is common for the offending team to be down to ten men, unfortunately the fourth official in this game had been living in a cave for the past 45 years and so naturally was unaware of this fact. As the game continued ten-man Tranmere (in theory at least) defended a Sunderland free kick with, whoops!..eleven men! Confused?, so was the fourth official.

So confused in fact that when the game finished a few minutes: later, Tranmere still had the regulation eleven men on the pitch. there we have it, another first for the Grand Old Competition and whilst this alteration may have been off-the-cuff the publicity it has caused could make the FA think of even more bizarre rule changes. How about the reigning champions having to appear in the competition the following year? I know it's a novel idea and may take some getting used to but, what the hell, live a little - I mean it is the 21st century.





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Today we take a look at Swindon's next two fixtures. On Saturday we travel to West Brom then, on the following Saturday, we entertain Grimsby Town here at the County Ground.

Nest Brom

the lowdown...

The Baggies started the season with the belief that they could secure a play-off place at the very least. However, an awful run of form, that saw them go 10 games without a win, left the club in 19th position. Manager Brian Little held crisis talks with new chairman Paul Thompson in an attempt to solve the club's fading fortunes. West Brom are another team with mounting financial worries which could mean the sale of their prized asset, striker Lee Hughes.

the reason to watch...

The Baggies have drawn 13 games already this season and only winning five. On current form this game is wide open for either club to break its bad run and chalk up another valuable three points.

the last five meetings...

Swindon Town 1-2 West Bromwich Albion 28.08.99 West Bromwich Albion 1-1 Swindon Town 13.04.99 Swindon Town 2-2 West Bromwich Albion 24 10 98

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the player to watch...

The star of last season was most definitely Lee Hughes. The 23 year-old scored 35 goals after being plucked from Kidderminster Harriers in

May 1997. He caught the eye of the Premiership clubs and was valued at around £5m. His desire to play in the top flight nearly cost the club his services, but during the summer the board convinced him that the club was ambitious enough to go for Premiership status. This season the goals haven't come as thick and fast as last, but Lee's power, pace and deadly finishing will always prove a handful for any defence.

the lowdown...

Grimsby followed up their second division promotion year with another fine display last term. Chasing another play-off berth the Mariners finished in a credible 11th place. It could have been better but a long list of injuries to key players saw a dip in the team's form. This season the Mariners are struggling near the relegation zone but have shown battling qualities that make them very hard to beat and it should be enough to guarantee First Division football for another season.

the reason to watch...

Swindon need to make up the widening gap between themselves and other relegation candidates. Wins

are all that matter at the moment, especially at the County Ground. Another single-goal victory at Blundell Park gave the Mariners all three points in late August however, a reversal will do very nicely for Jim Quinn's side.

the last five meetings...

Grimsby Town 1-0 Swindon Town 30.08.99 Swindon Town 2-0 Grimsby Town 24.04.99 Grimsby Town 1-0 Swindon Town 28,11.98 Swindon Town 3-3 Grimsby Town 25.01.97 Grimsby Town 2-1 Swindon Town 07.09.96

the player to watch...

Paul Groves has earned his captain's armband. Last season the 33-year-old was ever-present in Alan Buckley's side and topped the club's scoring charts with 14 goals. Unsurprisingly he also picked up the 'Supporters' Player of the Year'award. This season has been another consistent year for the experienced midfielder; only a red card against Wolves has kept him out of the side netting five

goals in the process.

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STFC Ladies South West Combination Season 1999/2000

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 FAC1	2-5
Sun 17th Oct	Bath City	140
Sun 24th Oct	League Cup 1st Round	
Sun 31st Oct	Bristol Rovers	0-4
Sun 7th Nov	FA Cup 2nd Round	
Sun 14th Nov	Yeavil Town	1-2
Sun 21st Nov	Cheltenham Town	3-2
Sun 28th Nov	Newport Strikers	1-3
Sun 5th Dec	Southampton	4-1
Sun 12th Dec	Denham United	Р
Sun 19th Dec	Oxford United	P
Sun 9th Jan	Bristol Rovers	0-2
Sun 16th Jan	Saltash Pilgrims	Н
Sun 23rd Jan	Southampton	Α
Sun 30th Jan	Portsmouth	Н
Sun 6th Feb	Bath City	Α
Sun 13th Feb	Bristol Rovers	Α
Sun 20th Feb	Yeovil Town	Н
Sun 27th Feb	Cheltenham	Α
Sun 5th Mar	League Cup Semi-final	
Sun 12th Mar	Newport Strikers	Н
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	4-0
Sat 30th Oct	Cardiff City	2-0
Sat 6th Oct	Cardiff City	1-0
Sat 13th Nov	Cirencester	0-1
Sat 20th Nov	Swansea City	0-1
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The Football League Youth Alliance Season 1999/2000



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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 (cup)	1-1
Sat 30th Oct	Cardiff City (cup)	1-1
Sat 6th Nov	Exeter City (cup)	3-0
Sat 20th Nov	Torquay United (cup)	5-4
Wed 24th Nov	Tottenham Hotspur(FAC	0-3
Sat 27th Nov	Plymouth Argyle	2-3
Sat 4th Dec	Torquay United	1-5
Sat 11th Dec	Syvansea City	2-3
Sat 8th Jan	Exeter City	4-0
Sat 15th Jan	Cirencester	0-2
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Wed 22nd Mar	Cup Semi Final	
Sun 16th Apr	Cup Final	
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Swindon Town Centre of Excellence Fixtures Season 1999/2000

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Sun 31 Oct	Cardiff City	Н
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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	Α
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 09 Apr	Swansea City	Α
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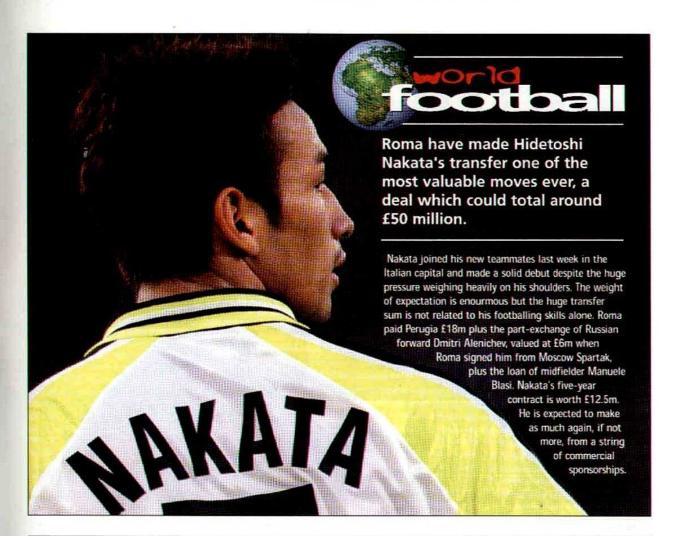
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Sun 14 Nov	West Brom	A
Sun 21 Nov	Plymouth Argyle	Н
Sun 28 Nov	Cheltenham Town	A
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Sun 23 Jan	Torquay Utd	A
Sun 30 Jan	Swansea City	H
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ladies

by Roger Reeves

The Town ladies had a disappointing start to the new year with a 2-0 defeat at the hands of Bristol Rovers in the Southwest Combination League.

This was the Town's first game for a month due to postponements and the Christmas and New Year break. A goal in each half was enough to secure the points for the Rovers. It was not a good performance by the Town although Netti Wyness was voted 'Player of the Match'.

Last night the Town supplied thirteen players for the Wiltshire squad to play Somerset in the South West Counties Championship. Leanne Taylor, Katy Lemon, Diane George, Jo Sharpe, Natalia Zarczynski, Kim Reeves, Netti Wyness, Georgia Alcock, Pam Laker, Clare Wheeler, Adelle Taylor, Nadine Lloyd and Holly Ashman were the players selected. Wiltshire were defeated in their first game in this year's competition, losing to Sussex. This is the fourth season that this championship has been contested and Wiltshire have won the trophy once and finished as runners-up twice. On Sunday the Town travel to face Southampton in the South West Combination league. The Town have already played the Saints twice this season, at home on both occasions. In the league the Town were victorious by two goals to nil and in the League Cup by four goals to one.

The Town reserves are at home to Thame United in the Southern League, kick-off at 2.00pm at Ridgeway School, Wroughton.



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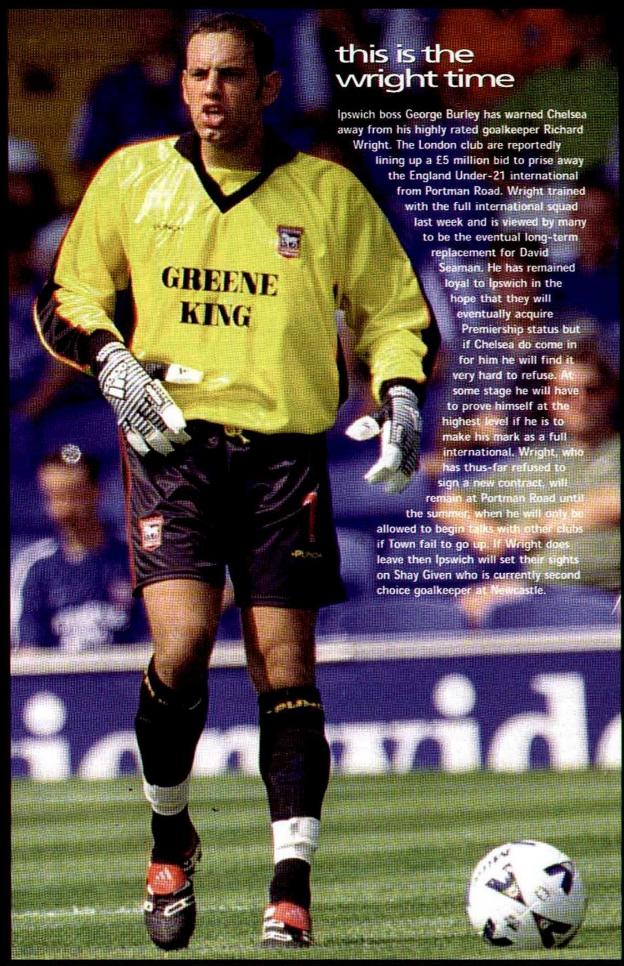
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Nationwide division one

reid for rovers?



Blackburn are still hoping to lure Peter Reid to Ewood Park - and are reportedly ready to treble his £500k a year salary to land their man. Jack Walker has set his sights on the Sunderland boss to resurrect his ailing club's fortunes. Walker has admired Reid's work on Wearside and believes that he can offer him the kind of contract and opportunity he can't refuse. After Walker's attempts were rebuffed four weeks ago, he recruited his reliable caretaker boss, Tony Parkes, as a stop-gap until the end of the season. However, Reid's family still live in Lancashire and the

fact that he can make him one of the Premiership's highest paid managers has convinced Walker that he can still land his man. Sunderland are sure to put up a fight for Reid who is fervently supported at the Stadium of Light and has the near-promise of a job for life on Wearside.

netoraok

Bjarne Goldback has completed his transfer to near-neighbours Fulham. Goldback arrived at Craven Cottage last Friday but failed to register in time to play in their promotion clash against Manchester City. The Danish international cost the Cottagers £650,000 in a move from Chelsea where his first-team opportunities had all but dried up. Fulham boss Paul Bracewell said: "We've agreed the fee and agreed personal terms and we're just waiting for him to finish his medical. He's a full international and a premiership player and he will certainly strengthen the squad.



striker scramble



Nottingham Forest have stepped up their search for a striker to team up with Stern John. Forest boss David Platt failed to land Martin Smith from Sheffield United after offering £200,000 below his £500,000 asking price. He has now turned his attention to Grimsby's Jack Lester. Reports also suggested that United boss Neil Warnock had already lined up Lester to replace Smith. Grimsby find themselves in a similar position to United in that they have a saleable asset who will be out of contract at the end of the season. They could be ready to sell Lester for as little as £250,000 after making him available for transfer last week.



a don deal

Dean Holdsworth could be making a return to the Dons where he scored 76 goals in 177 starts. Rumours suggest that he could return to the London club for a fraction of the £3.5 million fee which saw him move to Bolton. Holdsworth, although a firm favourite at the Reebok, has not reproduced the sort of strike-rate to put him back amongst the countries top marksmen.

Sam Allardyce would like to keep the 31-year-old striker but it seems that Holdsworth would prefer a return to the capital to be with his family. However, Allardyce realises the player would prefer to return to London and he's agreed to do all he can to help him. Allardyce said: "I have brought Dean back into the side and I thought he was excellent against Queens Park Rangers. But his family position is very difficult for him as they have moved south."

Nationwide Division

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FULHAM	27	9	15	6	8	24 3	9
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memory

Cecil Green 1912 - 2000

Cecil, who died on Thursday of last week, wasborn on the 12th February 1912 and was probably the only man to serve a football league club as a player, scout, chairman and president.



It was in 1932 that Cecil first signed for the Town as an amateur. He was very much an all-round sportsman, being a noted athlete and cricketer. Two years later Ted Vizard, who took over as Town manager in April 1933, signed Cecil as a part-timer and he remained in that capacity until 1938. Although he never made it into the first team he remembered his playing days with the club with great affection, and his stories of characters such as Harry Cousins and Bud Flanagan were always told with a wry smile and often ended with the comment "Of course the game wasn't taken so seriously then". This was not surprising as a typical recollection was of Bud ending up after an away game being dumped in Devizes Road without any clothes!

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Cecil left Swindon in 1938 to play in the Southern League for Bath City before moving to Cheltenham Town. He later returned to Wiltshire and had spells with Chippenham Town and Chippenham United.

After WW2 he established a painting and decorating business and was involved in scouting for the Town for Louis Page, Maurice Lindley and Bert Head. In 1959 he gained a seat on the Town board, a position he was to hold for the next 30 years - certainly the longest period by a post-war director and probably in the club's history. He was certainly not the type of director who was just there for the free seat and post-match hospitality as he threw himself into all aspects of the club's life. He was very much involved in supporting the then manager Bert Head through the lean years whilst his youth players developed and his company's painters were often seen at work on the County Ground. At this stage the club had its own cricket team and Cecil frequently opened the batting. This was typical of his willingness to rub shoulders with the players. all of whom held him in great respect because he always gave his time to watch the club's teams at all levels. It was this willingness to be involved at grass roots level that led to him becoming a Patron of the Hellenic League, involved in the management of the Midland Youth League and being granted Honorary Membership of the Wiltshire FA.

"The death of Cecil has come as a huge shock to not only myself but everyone associated with Swindon Town Football Club plus all the other football clubs throughout the country where Cecil was welcome. He will be missed greatly by the whole football community."

Mike Spearman.

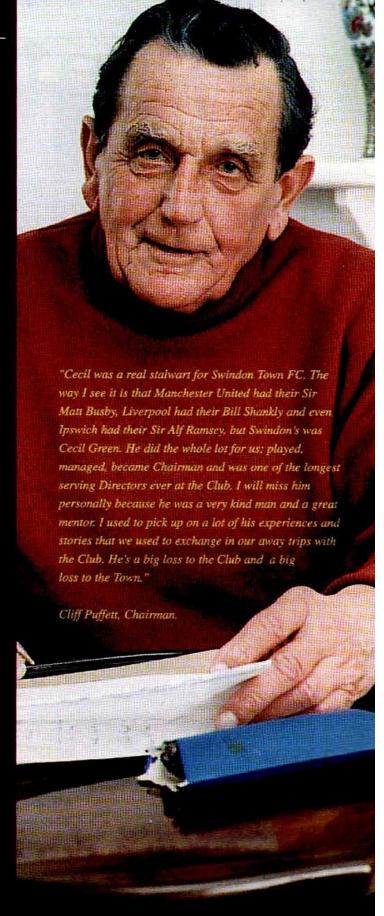
He stepped into the role of Chairman of Swindon Town FC in 1972 and, although his period in the chair coincided with the Town's decline he must be credited with securing the signature of Paul Ridcout, whose sale was to help keep the club afloat financially and bringing in several new directors who invested much-needed cash and enthusiasm. He was quick to crush any suggestion that the answer to the club's problems might lay in an amalgamation with Robert Maxwell's Oxford United - a side he described as 'just out of the Southern League" - and he brushed aside any suggestion that Swindon could join his proposed 'Thames Valley Royals' combination of Oxford and Reading. I suspect that it was having to sack John Trollope that resulted in him stepping aside in favour of Maurice Earle. However, he continued as a board member until 1989 when he was elected Club President.

Cecil always believed that the only way forwards for a club such as the Town was a committed youth policy. He helped out in practical ways such as providing Lodgings for Mike Summerbee and many years later the two often stood together to watch Mike's son Nicky playing in the youth team. One abiding memory of Cecil is of a player going down as if pole-axed. As Eddie Buckley ran out to treat him the player made a sudden and remarkable recovery, getting up and running off - much to the displeasure of some adjacent opposing supporters, "Well, wouldn't you get up if someone was going to push a cold sponge down your Shorts?", a remark that caused merriment where there might have been aggression.

The increasing infirmities of age did little to curtail Cecil's sporting activities. Shortly after a hip replacement operation he remarked "I"m not up to much now, fifteen holes is as much as I can manage." Three years ago he lost his beloved wife. Barbara, and football became more and more the thing that kept him going. In recent months his face had looked a little more pained but, until the QPR game, he never failed to turn up for a match. When he was not there we knew that something was seriously wrong.

In his foreword to a history of Swindon Town FC he wrote 'a theme runs through the book of successes enjoyed and difficulties overcome. There could be no greater tribute to him than that Swindon should fight their way out of the present problems.

May be rest in peace.



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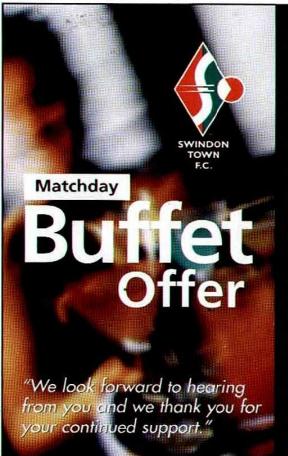
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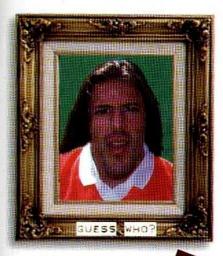
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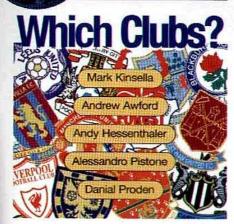
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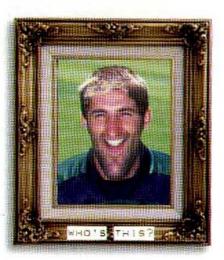
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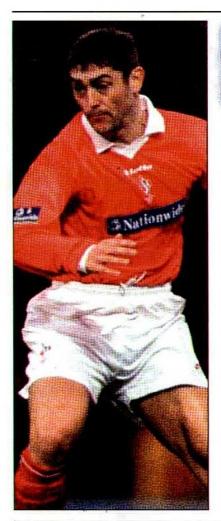
- Who were the teams in the 1999 Scottish FA Cup Final and what was the final score?
- Complete the following table:
 (FA Cup Final wins)
 Manchester United 10
 Tottenham 8
 Aston Villa ?
 Arsenal ?
 Blackburn 6
- Complete the following table:
 (FA Cup Final appearances)
 Manchester United 15
 Arsenal 13
 Newcastle ?
 Everton ?
 Liverpool 11
- Complete the following table:
 (FA Cup semi-final appearances)
 Everton 23
 Manchester United 22
 Arsenal ?
 Liverpool ?
 West Bromwich Albion 19
- (5) Who said: "People want to find another Peie. They can't. You can't find another Beethoven, you have only one Michaelangelo. In football you have only one Pele"?
- 6 Who said about who and when: "They'll be back before the postcards"?
- Whose grounds? Glanford Park Millmoor East End Park Field Mill Adams Park

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captain's with scott Leitch

The players are feeling a little down at the moment because we haven't picked up many points of late and Saturday's result at Ipswich didn't help matters, they were the stronger side and deserved the win.

We're now looking forward to the game on friday night. It's on Sky, we'll be really buzzing and I'm sure it will make for a good match. We have to keep our spirits high, keep going as a team and I'm certain we can break this run of games without a win.

We've got a few players back from suspension and a couple of injuries have cleared up so we should have a bigger squad to pick from which will help enormously. We have lost the services of a couple more players so if we can get everybody fit and available it will make it easier for the manager. It is difficult for the younger players at the moment but it is a very good learning experience for them because I'm sure that they will emerge better players and professionals for it. It is easier to win games

every week than to lose them and they can try their hardest that it doesn't happen to them again in their career. It's good to see all the young players coming through into the squad - on Saturday I think we had nine Under-21 lads in the squad which is great for them and the Club. It's definitely an incentive to secure the future of the youth set-up here at the Club.

If they can take it a step further and continue their development then the Club will be much stronger for it. The financial position at the Club is very strained but I know everybody is working extremely hard behind the scenes to turn it around and, as players, we have to do the same on the pitch and pick up some valuable points starting against Crystal Palace tonight.

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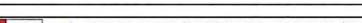
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Edward **N**ash

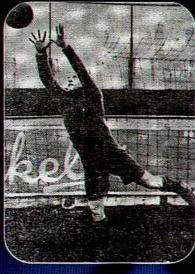
Welcome to our A to Z of former Swindon Town players. This week we take a look back at Edward Nash.

Edward Montague Nash was born in 1902 and went on to Gorse Hill School where he played for the school team and the Swindon Boys team. The fact that the First World War had been going on for two years helps to explain the fact that Ted first turned out for Swindon Town at the age of 14 in a friendly match. His biggest thrill was the fact that he played alongside the great Harold Fleming. Writing years later he recalled how helpful the great man had been to him. Firstly, he was one of many youngsters who benefited from the coaching sessions Fleming used to run in the afternoons. Secondly, mush later in his career, Ted was on the verge of signing for West Ham. Harold talked him out of it and persuaded the Town to grant Ted a wage increase.

Town played their first League match in 1920. Ted was between the sticks as they produced their largest ever victory, a 9-1 victory over Luton Town. It was to become one of just five appearances he made that year, as he was understudy to Len Skiller, the legendary Cornishman, who had been the Town keeper when they reached two Cup semi-finals in the pre war days. Len retired at the end of the 1922 season and the 1922/23 season saw Ted ever present in the Town goal

and keeping 13 clean sheets. Half way through the next season Ted lost his place in the team and did not win it back on a regular basis until the start of the 1925/26 season when he played in 40 matches. It was in his final season with Town; 1929/30 that Ted Nash kept a clean sheet at Old Trafford as Town defeated Manchester United 2-0. A quirk of fate saw them draw Manchester City in the following round. A crowd of 23,697 turned up at the County Ground to see a 1-1 draw. Unfortunately injury kept Nash out of the replay which saw Swindon crash 10-1, their heaviest ever defeat. At the end of the season Ted left Swindon to join Brentford who had just set a League record by winning all their home games in a season. He finished his League career with Crystal Palace.

Like many goalkeepers Ted was also a useful wicket keeper



and was good enough to play for Wiltshire making his first appearance in 1921 and not finishing until 1946. He continued playing cricket for Swindon Cricket Club until 1955. After his playing days were over, Ted worked as a scout for Arsenal, Southend and Brighton & Hove Albion, He moved to Sussex and spent the summer looking after the dressing rooms at the County Cricket ground in Brighton. He returned to his native Swindon in his declining years to live with his daughter in Avenue Road. Despite arthritis and the loss of a leg he remained cheerful and continued to show a keen interest in the two sports which had been his life.

By Dick Mattick

competition TIME

Q. For which dub did Ted Nash make his final appearances in the Football League?

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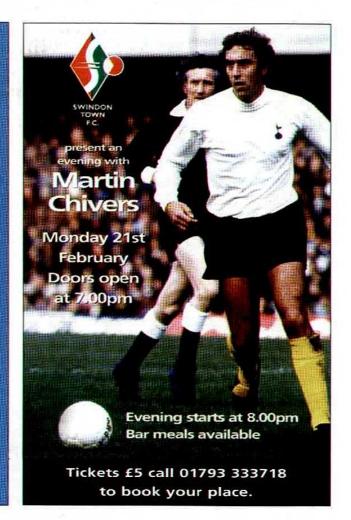
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things that make you go arghhhh!!

I have to say from the outset that I'm not known for my forbearance. As anyone who works with me will tell you, my lack of patience is legendary. But, I'm working on it. I'm trying very hard to become more relaxed and am determined to leave stress in the last century and, to this end, I'm examining the things that make my blood boil and won't be allowing them to bother me in the future.

In a soccer sense, there are masses more positives than negatives, but here's a few things fans do that will no longer be making me want to scream in the year 2000.

Fans leaving the ground early. My Auntie Mabel has come to football late in life - in her 90th year to be precise - but she is of the opinion that if you have an afternoon free to watch a football match, 5 minutes or so in the scheme of things doesn't make a difference. But every week, those of us sitting it out to the bitter end have our view and concentration marred by the 'I've sussed the result and aim to be first out of the car park' brigade. The very worst offenders of this condition are London fans - everyone at Wembley in 1969 will remember the Arsenal end emptying quicker than

The late West Ham goal which forced a penalty shoot-out, in what turned out to be a twolegged Worthington Cup tie, was

George Best's glass.

missed by 70% of their fans who had so little confidence in their sides come-back ability that they were already in the kebab queue while the Villa fans stood in shocked belief. I missed what was probably one of Jimmy Greaves' best goals because, at White Hart Lane, the entire row in front of me became the pools panel and, forecasting that the game was over, rose as a man to go home. It's bad manners, it spoils other people's fun and it's a waste of a part of your ticket money. But it's not going to worry me any more.



Another burr under my saddle is fans getting the words wrong. I don't like filthy language and it's more abhorrent when 20, 000 voices are mouthing it (well, alright, at Swindon more like 200, but even so) but changing the offending words in order to join in really isn't good enough and mostly doesn't make sense. For example, you're 'sheep' and you are going down and the referees a wrangler, cowboy

possibly but a steer-wrestler I don't think so. On the subject of songs and chants, people in the Swindon area don't drive combine harvesters, tractors or silage wagons, and we don't appreciate being called fertiliser, because we're sheep and we're going down!

Then there's the self style'd 'Motty' who always sits behind me and conducts a running commentary on the afternoon's



event. This person has A levels in stating the obvious and makes earth-shattering statements to the rest of the crowd (who he feels have been struck both deaf and blind). He

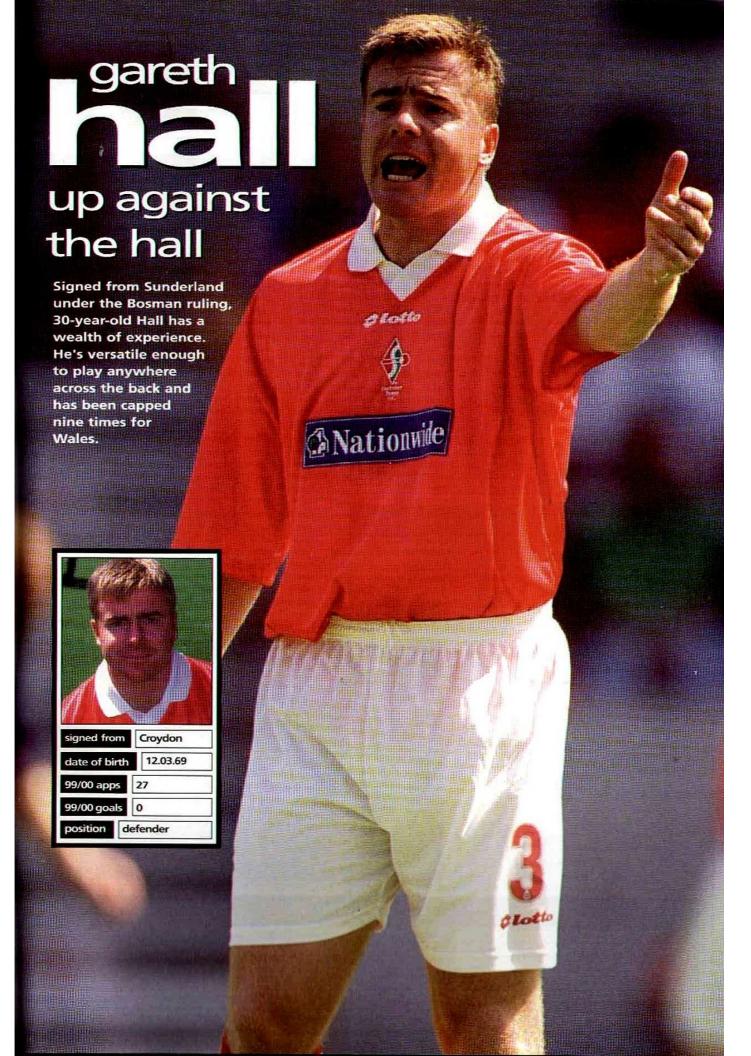
shouts out things like 'that's their mascot!' Really! - we thought the eight-foot bug-eyed honey-monster was the third official. He also gives us the benefit of his in-depth knowledge of the opposition: ie: 'that's their goalkeeper'. Oh!, thank goodness, I thought the ref had missed seven handballs. 'that's their Manager over there' he declares. Clever one this.

because the rest of us hadn't realised Peter Reid wasn't still playing. We'd imagined he was in Sunderland's dugout because he'd paid extra for ringside seats. All of these comments would be perfectly OK if this gentlemen was sitting next to a very small child or a person so confused, or with such a restricted view and low intelligence, that these comments might be helpful. But he isn't - and they aren't.

His companion is generally my personal favourite, the type I can only think of as the 'Bounty Hunter'. So single-minded is he in the unremitting hunt for his quarry and his voice and intonation would freeze the blood of a Maffiosa hit-man. This man takes exception to a player in his own team and berates him at every turn. If the unfortunate player scores a goal his enemy in the stand will yell 'greedy!' or 'about time you joined in!'. I often wonder if the unfortunate recipient of the infamous Cantona drop-kick was sitting next to one of these guys and suffered as a victim of mistaken identity.

So, in conclusion, if you recognise yourself please feel free to join me for a drink in the Winners bar after the game. I'll be with our mascot - he's the furry red robin in football boots.





1999/2000 season

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Sat Aug 28	West Brom	(H)	1-2
Mon Aug 30	Grimsby	(A)	0-1
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Sat Sept 18	Crewe	(A)	1-2
Sat Sept 25	Port Vale	(A)	0-2
Tues Sept 28	Blackburn	(H)	2-1
Sat Oct 2	Bolton	(H)	0-4
Sat Oct 9	Stockport	(H)	1-1
Sat Oct 16	Fulham	(A)	0-1
Tues Oct 19	Barnsley	(A)	0-1
Sat Oct 23	Sheff Utd	(H)	2-2
Tues Oct 26	Port Vale	(H)	2-1
Sat Oct 30	Bolton	(A)	0-2
Sat Nov 6	Huddersfield	(A)	0-4
Fri Nov 12	Norwich	(H)	0-0
Sat Nov 20	Wolverhampton	(A)	1-1
Tues Nov 23	Charlton	(H)	1-2
Sat Nov 27	Birmingham	(A)	1-1
Sat Dec 4	Walsall	(H)	1-1
Sat Dec 11	Charlton (FAC 3)	(A)	1-2
Sat Dec 18	Man City	(A)	0-3
Sun Dec 26	Portsmouth	(H)	1-1
Tues Dec 28	Tranmere	(A)	1.3
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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)	

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6,437	TALIA	HULBERT (2)	HAIL	WILLIAMS	ROBINSON	GOODEN	LEITCH	NDAH	WALTER
3,587	TALIA	HULBERT (I)	HALL (2)	WILLIAMS	ROBINSON	DAVI5	retox	NDAH	WALTER
6,195	TALIA	HULBERT (3)	HALL	WILLIAMS	ROBINSON (1)	TAYLOR	McHUGH	NEAR	HOWE
12,726	TALIA	ROSINSON	HALL	DAVIES	HOWE	WALTERS	REEVES	NDAH	DAVIS
4,000	TALIA	ROBINSON (2)	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	WALTERS	HOWE	NDAH (3)	DAVIS
6,565	TALLA	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES (1)	WALTERS	HOWE	NOAH	DAVIS
5,705	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES (1)	WALTERS	HOWE	NDAH	DAVIS (3)
8,203	TALIA	ROBINSON	HAIL	DAVIES	REEVES	A WILLIAMS	THREWELL	HOWE	Mithode
5,280	TALIA	ROBINSON(1)	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	A WILLIAMS	THEREWELL	HOWE	MrHUGH
4,629	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES (1)	REEVES	A WILLIAMS	THERLWELL	HOWE	Montager
7,354	GLASS	ROBINSON	WILLIS	REEVES	McHUGH (Z)	HOWE	THIRLWELL	J WILLIAMS	A WILLAN
6,711	GLASS	ROBINSON	WILLS	A WILIAMS	REEVES	THIRLWELL	McHUGH (1)	HOWE (2)	/ WILLIAMS
5,318	GLASS	A WILIAMS	HALL	DAVIES (1)	REEVES	GOODEN	THIRLWELL	HOWE	NEAH
13,715	GLASS	ROBINSON	HALL	DAVIES	REEVES	A WILLIAMS	WALTERS	HOWE	THIREWE
12,026	GLASS	ROBINSON	HAIL	DAVES	REFVES	THIRLWELL	WALTERS	HOWE(2)	GOODEN
5,504	GLASS	J. WILLIAMS	HALL	DAVIES(4)	THALWELL	WALTERS(2)	DAVIS	GDODEN	HAYIZ
5,703	GLASS	J. WILLIAMS(3)	HALL(4)	REFVES	THIRLWELL	HOWE	DAVIS	GOODEN	HAY
12, 486	GLASS	1 WILLIAMS(4)	HALL	REEVES	THIRLWELL	COLLINS	DAVIS	GDODEN(3)	HAY
11, 891	TALIA	WILLIS	HALL	RETVES(I)	THRUWELL	COLLINS(4)	DAVIS	ROBINSON	HAY
7,405	TAUA	A. WILLIAMS	HALL(3)	REEVES	CARRICK	LEITCH(2)	DAVIS	ROBINSON	HAY
19, 917	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	REEVES	DAVIS	HOWE	LEITCH	CARRION	A. WELLA
6,515	TALIA	BOBINSON	HALL	REEVES	WILLIAMS	HOWE(2)	CARRICK	LEITCH	DAVE
22,620	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	REEVES	WILLIAMS	HOWE(1)	CARRICK	TRILOHE)	DAVO
7,186	MILDENHALL	ROBINSON	HALL	REEVES	WILLIAMS	HOWE(1)	CARRICK	TELLCH	DAVE
10,939	MILDENHALL	ROBINSON	HALL	REEVES	A. WILLIAMS(3)	DAVIES(2)	GOODEN	LEITCH	COLLEY
31,751	TALIA	ROBINSON	HALL	REEVES	A. WILLIAMS(4)	DAVIES(2)	GOODEN	LEITON	COLLING
10,279	TALIA	J. WILLIAMS	HALL	REEVES	A. WILLIAMS	DAVIES(2)	DAVIS	LEITO ((4)	COLLING
8,068	TALIA	SOSINSON	HALL	BEEVES	A. WILLIAMS(4)	J.WILLIAMS(3)	DAVIS	HOWE(5)	COLLIN
9,460	TALLA	ROBINSON	HALL	REEVES	A. WILLIAMS	HE/LBERT(3)	DAVIS	LETCH	COLUM
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REEVES

HULBERT (2)

A. WILLIAMS

ROBINSON (1)

this season's top scorers	this season's top gates
Chris Hay 5	Sun 26th Dec vs Portsmouth 10,279
Iffy Onuora 4	Mon Jan 3rd vs Q.P.R, 9,460
Giuliano Grazioli 3	Sat Sept 11th vs Nott'm Forest 8,203
Michael Carrick 2	Fri Nov 12th vs Norwich City 7,405

Ipswich Town	LOST	3-0
Q.P.R.	LOST	1-0
Tranmere	LOST	3-1
Portsmouth	DREW	1-1

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*	*	4	1	12	17	1			
		1	2	3	4	5			
MZIOLI(II)	ONUORA	GRIFFIN	TAYLOR	HOWE	REEVES	GLASS			
*AZKOLI (11)	ONUORA	GRIFFIN	TAYLOR	HOWE	HAY	GLASS			
MAZIOU	ONUORA (2)	WALTERS	HAY	WILLIS	REEVES	GLASS			
AZIOLI (1)	ONUORA	HAY	WILLS	HULBERT	WILLIAMS	GLASS			
ADOUGN	ONUORA	HAY	WILLS	McHUGH	WILLIAMS	GLASS			
HAV(2)	ONUORA	WILLIS	GRIFFIN	McHUGH	WILLIAMS	GLASS			
HAY	ONUORA (2)	WILLIAMS	GRIFFIN	McHUGH	WILLIS	GLASS			
MOAH	ONUORA (1)	GRIFFIN	DAVIS	WILLIAMS	WILLS	GLASS			
NOAH	ONUORA (2)	WALTERS	GRIFFIN	WILLIS	DAVI5	GLASS			
HACM.	WALTERS	JWILIAMS	ONUORA	WILLIS	DAV/5	GLASS			
MAH	WALTERS (1)	ONUORA	HULBERT (3)	GRAZIOLI	DAVIS	FLANAGAN			
MUCRA	WALTERS	HAY (1)	HULBERT (2)	GOODEN (3)	GRIFFIN	MILDENHALI			
MAY (25	WALTERS (3)	ROBINSON (1)	GRAZIOLI (2)	ONUORA (3)	1 WILLIAMS	TALIA			
(1) (1)	NDAH	ONUORA (1)	J WILLIAMS	HAY	WILLIS	TALIA			
IOAH(E)	A WILLIAMS	ONUORA(1)	HAY(2)	GRAZIOLI(I)	J WILLIAMS	TALIA			
(CAMS(1)	ONUGRA	HOWE	GRAZIOLI	ROBINSON	WILIS	TALIA			
MUMMS	ONUGRA(2)	COLLINS	GRAZIOU	ROBINSON	WILLIS	TALLA			
WLLIS	GRAZIOLI(2)	MCHUGH	DNUORA	HOWE	COWE	TALIA			
WHE(Z)	ONUORA	мснибн	/ WILLIAMS	LEITCH	GRIFFIN	GLASS			
HOWE	ONUORA(1)	QUINN	J WILLIAMS	WILDS	мснидн	MILDENHALI			
MAY	ONLUCKACI)	QUINN	HULBERT	COLLINS	WILLS	GLASS			
HAY	QNUCRA(1)	QUINN	HULBERT	WILLIS	COLLINS	MILDENHALI			
AY(2)	ONLIORA	QUINN	GRIFFIN	COLLINS	WILLIS	GLASS			
MINN	ONUORA	GOODEN	GRIFFIN	COLLINS	WILLIS	HUUBERT			
KIN	ONUORA	MCHUGH	GRIFFIN	HAY	HULDERT	GLASS			
DMEN	HAY	DAVIS	HEWE	J.WELLAND	HULSERT	MILDENHALI			
NORA	HAY	GRIFTIN	WILLIS	CUERVO	HULBERT	MILDENHALI			
NUTRA	HAY	CRITTIN	QUINN	CUERVO	HULBERT	CAMPAGNA			
MMON(1)	HAY	GRIFFIN	HOWE	MUHUGH	CAMPAGNA	MILDENHALI			
DAT (3)	HAY	J.WILLIAMS	CAMPAGNA	GRIFFIN	MILDENHALL	MCAREAVEY			
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Well Done

Derek Elston has been a Swindon Town supporter for many years, whilst he resides in Northampton he has attended many games tonight's match against Crystal Palace

will be his 1,000 consecutive game.

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Nationwide division one							
TEAM	PLD	w	D	L	F	Α	PTS
Charlton	27	17	5	5	49	28	56
Man City	27	17	4	6	44	21	55
Ipswich	27	15	7	5	46	27	52
Barnsley	27	16	4	7	54	38	52
Huddersfield	27	14	5	8	44	29	47
Stockport	27	11	8	8	32	35	41
Blackburn	26	10	10	6	34	25	40
QPR	27	10	9	8	35	31	39
Wolverhampton	27	10	9	8	34	30	39
Fulham	27	9	12	6	25	24	39
Birmingham	26	10	8	8	36	28	38
Norwich	27	10	8	9	27	27	38
Tranmere	27	10	6	11	37	37	36
Bolton	26	9	8	9	34	30	35
Crystal Palace	27	8	8	11	36	43	32
Sheff Utd	27	8	7	12	34	43	31
Grimsby	27	8	6	13	31	48	30
Nottm Forest	27	7	7	13	29	36	28
West Brom	27	5	13	9	24	32	28
Crewe	27	7	7	13	25	34	28
Walsall	27	6	7	14	28	43	25
Port Vale	26	5	9	12	28	36	24
Portsmouth	27	5	8	14	30	44	23
Swindon	27	3	9	15	18	45	18

stfc first team appearances 1999/2000

player name:	squad	league apps.	apps.	goals all comps	total
Frank Talia	1	18	2	-	20
Mark Robinson	2	23(2)	3		26(2)
Gareth Hall	3	25	3		28
Scott Leitch	4	11(1)	2	-	13(1)
Gareth Davies	5	9(1)	2		11(1)
Michael Carrick	6	7	274	2	7
Bobby Howe	7	22(3)	1(1)	1	23(4)
Iffy Onuora	9	16(5)	3	4	19(5)
Giuliano Grazioli	10	4(4)	2	3	6(4)
Ty Gooden	11	7(3)	1	1	8(3)
Alan Reeves	12	25	2		27
Jimmy Glass	13	8	-		8
Mark Walters	14	11(2)	2	2	13(2)
Chris Hay	15	16(5)	(2)	5	16(7)
Lee Collins	16	6(1)	1		6(1)
Steve Cowe	17	1(1)	- *		1(1)
Steve Mildenhall	18	1	1		2"
Adam Willis	19	4(6)	1(1)		5(7)
Charlie Griffin	20	1(9)	(2)	-	1(11)
Sol Davis	21	16(1)	2(1)	-	18(2)
Robin Hulbert	22	2(5)	2	-	4(5)
Philippe Cuervo	23	(2)	-	-	(2)
Sam Campagna	24	(2)		-	(2)
Frazer McHugh	25	7(3)	(1)	-	7(4)
Nicky Burke	26	-	•	*	-
Jamie Mills	27	-	**	-	-
Ricky Culbertson	28	-	*	-	•/
Alan Flanagan	29	-			
Paul McAreavey	30	-	-	-	(1)
Alun Hughes	31	*	-	-	-
James Williams	32	7(7)	1	-	8(7)
Andy Williams	33	21	1	-	22
Jim Quinn	40	1(4)	1	-	2(4)





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0-	Frank Talia	Jamie Smith	-2
2-	Mark Robinson	Andrew	3
3-	Gareth Hall	Frampton	—
4	(c) Scott Leitch	Dean Austin	6
5	Gareth Davies	David Woozle	7
6	Michael Carrick	Hayden Mullin	s 8
0	Bobby Howe	Fan Zhiyi	10
10-	Giuliano Grazioli	Clinton Morris	son • 🛈
12-	Alan Reeves	Nicky Rizzo	D
B -(Jimmy Glass	Jamie Fullarto	on B
1	Chris Hay	Fraser Digby	1
1	Lee Collins	Steven Thoms	son 15
D -(Steve Cowe	Craig Foster	16
	Steve Mildenhall	Matthias	①
19-(Adam Willis	Svensson	18
20-(Charlie Griffin	Andy Linighan	19
a +(Sol Davis	Wayne Carlisle	e 20
22-	Robin Hulbert	Leon McKenz	ie -
23-(Philippe Cuervo	Richard Harris	73
25-(Frazer McHugh	Matt Gregg	23
22 -(James Williams	Andrew Marti	
33-	Andy Williams	Stephen Evans	3 -26
40-	Jim Quinn	James Hibbur	
		Stephen Hunt	
		Sean Hankin	23 29 30 31 man 33
		Roscoe Dsane	-30
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18		David Lee	
	Jim Quinn	Steve Coppell	

Comingsoon
Saturay 5th Feb 2000, our next home league game vs GRIMSBY TOWN 3.00pm Kick-Off





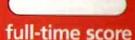
match...

the officials

Referee: E.K. Wolstenholme **Assistant Referees:** G.A. Beale R.B. Ward Fourth Official: P. Walton



half-time score



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