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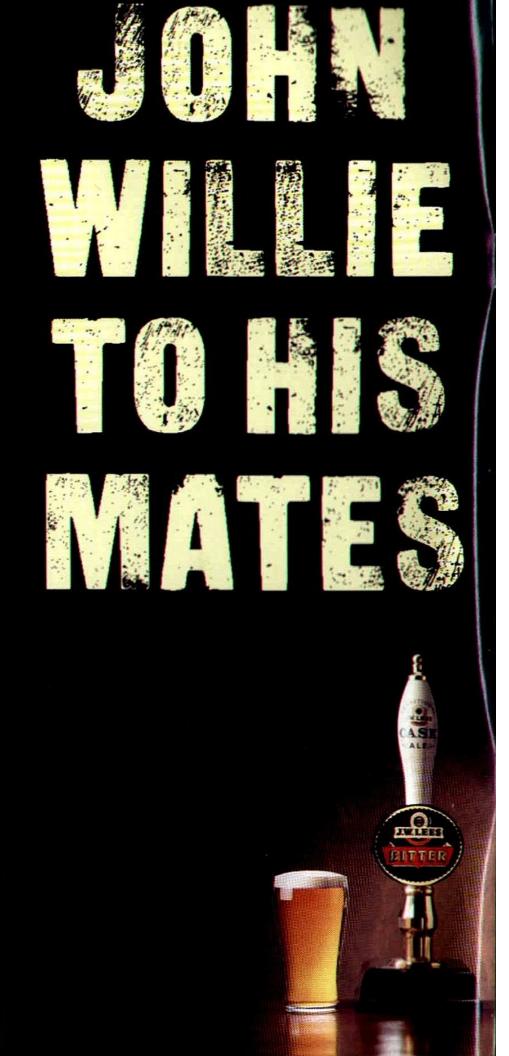
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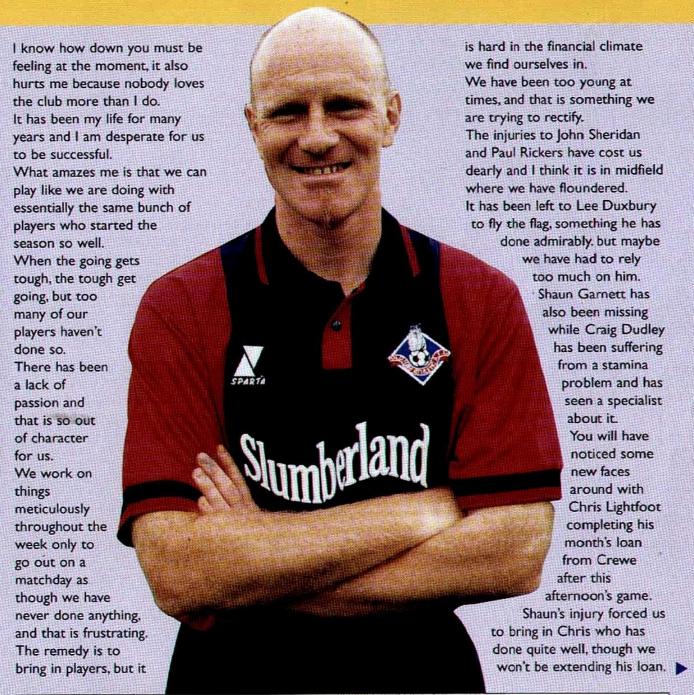
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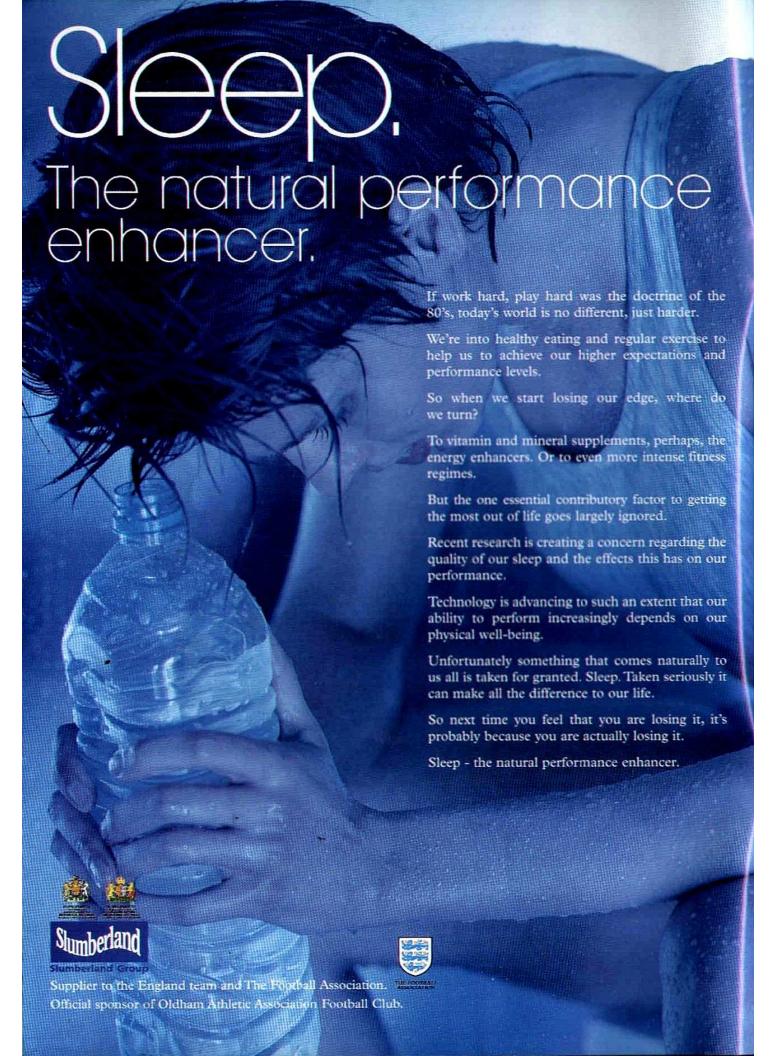
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## TIEBOSS continued

Mark Watson has arrived on trial and looked quite solid at the centre of defence.

He is a Canadian international so obviously we will have to look closely at those commitments before deciding whether to take him on permanently.

Paul Smith is a natural left-sided player who is on loan from Burnley.

He has not done badly, though a family problem was the main reason he did not start Sunday's match at Rotherham.

As for Barry Prenderville, who has joined us permanently, he was unfortunate to be injured at Sheffield Wednesday so we have not had a chance to see him in his true role.

When I look back to the home defeat against Cambridge we were the better team for the opening 35 minutes.

We didn't perform in the second half and when we gave away a stupid second goal too many heads went down.

That is where you look to your experienced players to battle through adversity and to grind out results.

But we must also start taking our chances as we could have been 2-0 up against Cambridge and then it would have been a different game.

In saying that we didn't create anything at Rotherham where there was a lack of passion. We have had some bad performances, but that was the

"Football is one of the best professions and the players have got to show more passion ..."

worst I have seen us play for 90 minutes.

Football is one of the best professions and the players have got to show more passion because their livelihoods are at stake.

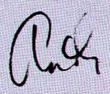
Only two or three showed what is required and the rest have to start finding it quickly as I don't want to be involved in a relegation doglight all season. I have been there before and it is something I don't want to repeat.

This afternoon we welcome Swindon who are in a transitional period with Colin Todd making a lot of changes in personnel.

Swindon are just above us in the table so it is an important game for both teams and we must try to claw some ground back on them.

We have two home games in three days and they offer a great opportunity to pick up some points.

But is won't be easy and we have to be strong and work harder than we have been doing. However hard if might be for you it is even more important at a time like this to get behind us and give us your support. You can rest assured I am doing everything possible to turn things round and no stone will be left unturned.

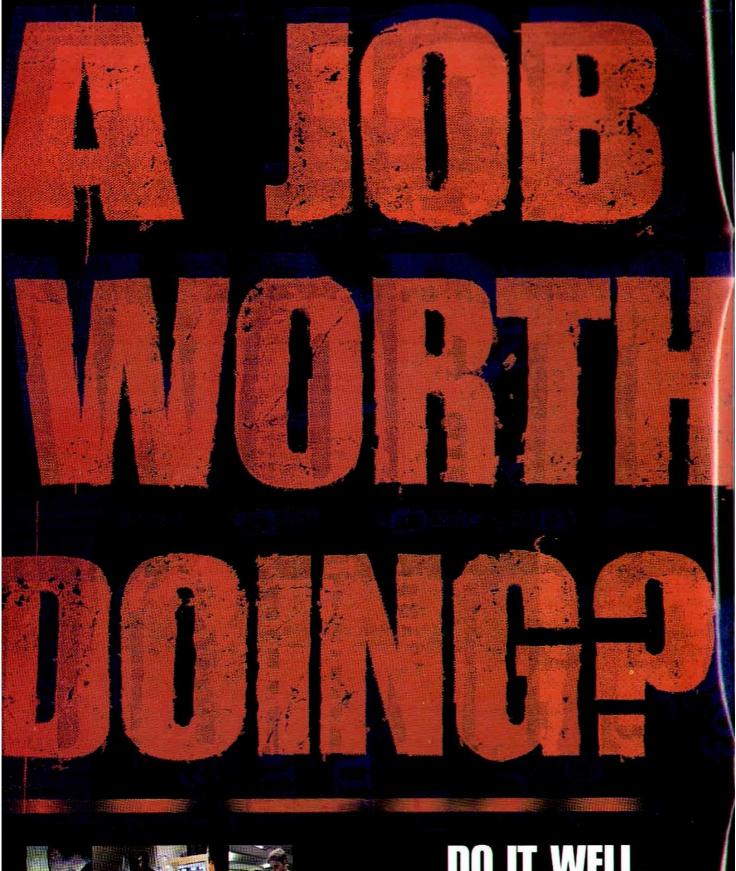


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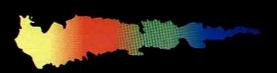






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## Junior Latics

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next Junior Latics Meeting will be held on MONDAY 6th NOVEMBER at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Oldham commencing at 7pm.

Our guests for the evening will be Rob Smith and friends from the Bird of Prey and Wildlife Sanctuary in Staffordshire. Rob will bringing along a variety of wildlife currently resident at the Sanctuary Hospital.

Also going along to join in the the fun and games will be Danny Boshell, Ryan Sugden, Andy Holt, Craig Dudley and new signing Barry Prenderville.

We will be holding the mascot draw for the games against Millwall (Nov 25th) Oxford United (Dec 2nd) and Wigan Athletic (Dec 26th).

The 2nd heat of the basketball

challenge will be taking place. Joint winners of the first heat were Mark Innes and Carlo Corazzin with 10



points each. Will the 2nd heat provide a new name at the top of the leader board?

All members attending the meeting will receive a free ticket for the game against Millwall on the 25th November courtesy of the Board of Directors. Tickets are now on sale - price 75p members and friends and £1.50 parents. They can be purchased in the Junior Latics Lounge on match days, in Latique at any time or by post. So make sure you don't miss out on a great evening's entertainment by purchasing your tickets today.

## **AWAY TRIP TO STOKE CITY**

The next away trip is to Stoke City on Saturday 11th November.

The Executive Coach will leave the car park at the side of the Clayton Arms at 12 noon. On arrival at the Britannia Stadium we will be taken to the Family Room to enjoy the facilities on offer including use of the play stations, before taking our seats in the Signal Radio stand to watch the game. The cost of the trip including coach fare and a seat ticket to the game is just £7.50p.

Bookings can now be made in Latique at any time, the Junior Latics Lounge on match days or by post.

## MATCH MASCOT

Today's match mascot is 9 years old Katie Symon of Park Avenue, Chadderton. Katie attends



Chadderton Hall Junior School where her favourite lesson is maths.

Outside of school Katie enjoys dancing, reading and Pokemon, along with watching her favourite t.v. programme which is also Pokemon.

Lee Duxbury is Katie's favourite player while Thierry Henry was the best player she saw at Euro 2000 and her prediction for today's game is 2-0 to Latics.

Craig Sullivan mascot for our game against Notts County, meets his favourite player Craig Dudley prior to kick off..... and then lines up in the centre circle with the captains and officials.





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## Tie airs files

Keeping you up to date with all the latest at the club and in the world of football.

## GRAHAM REWARDED FOR TAYLOR-MADE TRIUMPH

Watford manager Graham
Taylor was last week awarded
the September manager of the
month award following the
Hornets surge into the
promotion frame.

Four wins out of four have enabled Taylor's side to stay in touch with runaway leaders Fulham who likewise enjoyed a 100 per cent record for the month.

However with three of the wins coming on their travels it was decided by the adjudicating panel, which includes representatives of The Football League, its sponsor the Nationwide Building Society and the League Manager's Association, that the former England boss should just edge out August's winner Jean Tigana.

In the Second Division the champagne goes to Alan Pardew whose Reading side won five out of six, scoring a mammoth eighteen goals in the process thanks to strike duo Jamie Cureton and Martin Butler.

The two players have gelled instantly since Cureton's £250,000 move from Bristol Rovers and have already clocked up seven League goals a piece this season.

Mickey Adams of slow starting Brighton & Hove Albion took the Third Division prize as his side, tipped by many for honours this season, finally found their feet with five wins and a draw in their six games.

There was also a further boost for the Seagulls this week with the local council announcing its support for the club's proposed community stadium development at Falmer on the outskirts of the Sussex town.

## **RE-LIVE THE MEMORIES**

How's this as a stocking filler for Christmas, a classic Latics video of the past. Three titles have once again come available and can be ordered in Latique Sport & Leisurewear for Christmas.

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## BURNS TAKES HELM AS LEAGUE ENTERS NEW ERA

The Football League's new Chief Executive, David Burns, took control of the reins this week to begin a new chapter for the world's biggest professional football competition. Burns, 44, joins the League after 13 successful years with Airtours where, most recently, he held the post of Chief Executive of their Cruise, Hotels and Vacation Ownership Divisions.

Commenting on his new post Burns said "It's a genuine thrill for me to join The Football League.

"To be honest, ever since finding out about my appointment I've been waiting impatiently to get started and I'm delighted that that moment has now arrived.

"This is a crucial time for this business and for football in general and it is important that bodies such as The Football League give strong leadership to the clubs and their supporters.

"The long term health of English football is dependent on a financially strong and professional Football League and it is my role to deliver just that".

## **G'DAY BRUCE**

Bruce Strath had a great day out when he visited Boundary Park following his beloved 'U's'.

Cambridge United fan Bruce thought he would chance his arm and purchase one of Latics' Strike it Lucky tickets ...

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And what a wise decision it was because ticket number 4786 won Bruce £291!

£1 is all it will cost you to have your chance of winning with Latics Strike it Lucky. Buy your tickets now from the many sellers around the stadium.

## EXECUTIVE COACH

The executive coach which has been travelling to Latics' away games has unfortunately had to be cancelled until further notice.

The club has run the coach with a heavy subsidy to most away fixtures and with the numbers dropping rapidly the decision has been taken to cancel the bus altogether.

However normal standard coaches will continue to run to every away fixture, these can be booked in the Latique Sport & Leisurewear shop (see page 47 for details).

## UNDER STARTERS ORDERS

This made Colin available for Monday's Reserve team match with Barnsley ... which of course was then postponed due to the torrential rain



Join the Latics players pictured above for a night at the races. The venue is the Avant Hotel on Wednesday 25th October 2000. First race at 7.30pm.

For just £5 you will receive a potato pie supper and the chance to mingle with the players as they sell you the winning, or more likely the losing tickets, to the races on film (if you take a tip off any of this lot then you are dafter than I thought).

A great night out is anticipated so come along to the Avant ... who knows, you could go home rich!

## PLUCK UP COURAGE

Colin Pluck, a trialist recommended by former player Toddy Orlygsson, has finally received international clearance from the Icelandic FA. which fell on both Monday and Tuesday. The Lancashire FA Youth Cup match against Preston North End also fell foul to the weather on Tuesday.

Colin was due to play in the Manchester Senior Cup tie with Manchester United on Thursday night, with a bit of luck that match may have gone ahead!

## THE TIMES F.A. YOUTH CUP DRAW

The Times sponsored F.A. Youth Cup draw for the first round proper has paired Latics against Crook Town.

The game will take place here at Boundary Park on Friday 20th October 2000 with the kick off at 7pm.

If the game results in a draw, then a replay will take place at

## I LE LIES FILES.

Crook Town on Monday 23rd October 2000

## **SLUMBERLAND QUIZ**

The competition run in the programme for the recent visit of Cambridge United completely fooled everyone!

Not one single entry names the four players on view.

The correct four were David Miskelly, Matthew Tipton, Mark Innes and Paul Jones.

Twenty two cards containing three correct players arrived so a draw was held to determine the winners:
Ist prize of a deluxe
Slumberland duvet goes to James Cummins of Royton.

The two prizes of tickets to Latics home games go to Emma Mulholland of Stalybridge and Gail Manning of Chadderton.
We will be in touch with all the winners early next week.



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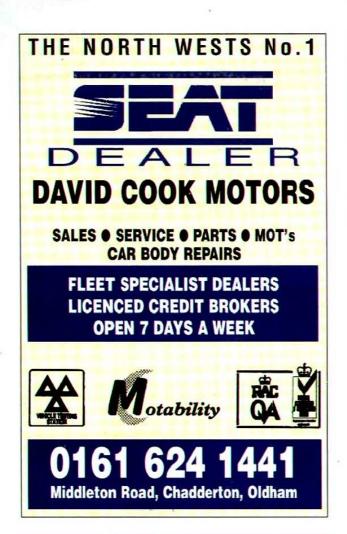
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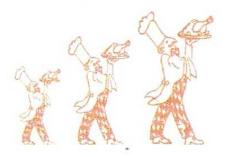


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- From which club did former Northern
   Ireland keeper Pat Jennings Join Spurs?
- 2. Which club is nicknamed 'The Baggies'?
- 3. Who scored West Germany's two goals in the 1966 World Cup Final?
- 4. What was unusual about Ivan Robinson's goal for Barrow against Plymouth in 1968?
- 5. Which team missed all five penalties during a penalty shoot-out in the secondround of the European Cup Winners Cup in 1971, yet still won the tie?

## Hili Lime qui

- Who has managed both Greece and Northern Ireland?
- 7. Who was a ball boy in the 1980 FA Cup Final and went on to play for Arsenal?
- 8. Which former Birmingham manager won his only Scottish cap in 1966?
- In July 1990, which club paid a then record fee of £925,000 to sign John Collins from Hibernian?
- 10. In Febuary 1997, which England keeper featured in 'Hello' magazine?

20 years ago this season, Liverpool narrowly beat West Ham Utd after a replay in the final of the League Cup, which they retained for three successive seasons.





Northern Ireland international who started his career at LutonTown in 1986/87



Eccentric goalkeeper, Bruce Grobbelaar scored a goal in his first season at Crewe?



Can you identify these three club crests?



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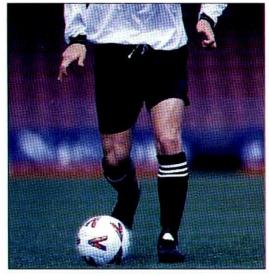
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## PERSONAL LOANS

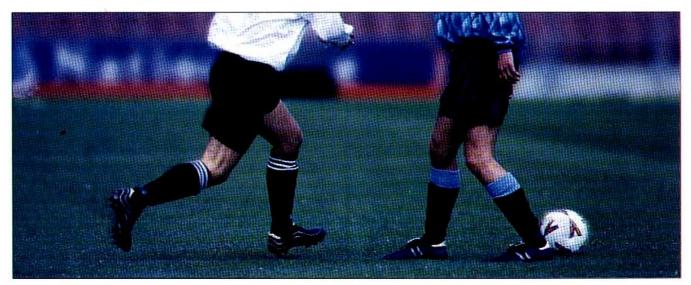




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## RESERVES CRUISE TO VICTORY

## ATHLETIC RES 3 ROTHERHAM RES 0 TUESDAY 3rd OCTOBER 2000

Latics Reserves cruised to victory in the Avon Insurance League Premier Division to provide some light relief in a week of turmoil at Boundary Park. Mark Allott and Matthew Tipton shared the goals, but it was Phil Salt who really caught the eye as he ran the game from midfield.

Salt, gradually regaining his best form after serious injury, was taken off in the second half, possibly in readiness for a first-team start which came last Sunday at Millmoor.

In a solid performance, others to stand out were centre-back Paul Jones, 17-year-old defender Will Haining, who is returning from a double hernia operation, and striker Ryan Sugden - playing at left wingback.

The one disappointment for Athletic



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was that trialist Colin Pluck didn't play because his international clearance was delayed.

Athletic went ahead after eight minutes when Tipton pounced on a poor clearance and fed Allott, who rifled home powerfully from 10 yards. They might have had a penalty when Allott was brought down, while the striker also had a shot well blocked. Jones sent a free header wide after some trickery from Salt and, in the 32nd minute, Rotherham should have equalised when Mark Hotte dragged back Simon Barraclough in the area. Danny Hudson, however, blazed his penalty over Jamie Campbell's crossbar.

Four minutes later, Athletic went 2-0 up thanks to a fabulous first-time strike by Tipton.

They were disappointed not to get a spot-kick when Sugden was challenged, but Tipton smashed home the loose ball on the volley when it reached the edge of the box. In a well-contested second half, Salt, Joe Doran and Rotherham's Barraclough all forced decent saves. Tipton completed Athletic's win after 87 minutes when he slotted in clinically for his second of the night.

## SENIOR CUP NEXT

coming Wednesday 18th October here at Boundary Park, k.o. 7pm. Supporters should note that the game will take place here at Boundary Park not over in Stalybridge.

The game is the second scheduled match in the Manchester Senior Cup group stages, the first against

Manchester United was scheduled for

last Thursday at Gigg Lane.

Latics Reserves take on Bury this

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## Doin' it for the kids

Former Sports Minister Tony Banks still hasn't quite got out of the habit of making his opinions felt. The latest in a long line of his crazy, but ultimately beneficial, ideas is to encourage wealthier footy fans to pay more so that children can get in for less. He's afraid that our beautiful game "will die on its feet" because kids are growing up thinking it's normal to watch football on the telly rather than on cold, windswept terraces. I blame the parents. He said: "I pay £1,600 for my season ticket at Stamford Bridge but I'd be willing to pay more as a levy for kids to get into the games for free or with a big reduction." He went on to say that he fears the community spirit that surrounds football is being destroyed because the poorer, working class families can only afford to watch footy on the telly. The FA are, typically, appalled by the idea. They said: "Clubs like Manchester United, Chelsea and Arsenal sell out, so there is no scope for it there."

## Oh I do hate to be beside the seaside

Life just gets worse and worse for Blackpool manager Steve McMahon. His team are currently languishing at the wrong end of the Third Division table, he's had to transfer list his goalkeeper 'for sulking' and last week he had to pay a £450 fine for threatening an off duty policeman. The incident happened during Father's Day this year. Apparently Macca was at a friends barbecue when next door neighbour PC Brian Parle casually leaned over the fence and asked them to turn the music down. At this point McMahon was said to have become: "difficult and aggressive, using threatening language." For those of us unlucky enough to see The Seasiders play this season that isn't really a surprise. McMahon was due to face charges of common assault and threatening criminal damage at North Sefton magistrates' court but they were later dropped as he admitted the lesser charges of threatening words and behaviour. In an effort to do everything possible not to consolidate team loyalty, Macca's final words on the subject were: "My team has been of no help, they've lost every game."

## They think it's all over!

Here's one for any footballers who might be reading. A report last week revealed that nearly half of all professional footballers end their careers in constant

agony from joint pains. Not that we're trying to worry you or anything. The report, from Coventry University, showed that many players suffer from crippling osteoarthritis at 20 years old, that's 20 years earlier than those who sit and watch the game. Because of this, almost a third of footballers are registered disabled and many are forced to retire early and abandon coaching careers. The report also showed that explayers suffer from memory loss as a consequence of heading the ball too much. The report's author, Andy Turner, said: "It's a cause for concern." It does kind of encourage you to play out of your skin when you're young though, doesn't it?

## Jesus in women's underwear scandal

You think the England team's got problems now we have to find a replacement for the tactical monkey.

Germany's future boss is fighting a drugs and sex orgy



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## Alan Bennett's unusual Stories around the divisions

case whilst in Spain the president of Atletico Madrid is trying to justify spending £550,000 of his club's budget on women's underwear and parties. Jesus (irony, anyone?) Gil and his son, Miguel Angel, are in court in connection with fraudulent use of shareholders money. The father and son combo have also, allegedly, raided the club's coffers of another £50,000 in order to buy baby clothes, perfume, purses and kitchen accessories. All those essential things you need to keep a modern football club a success.

## Believe it or not

In an amazing story it has recently been revealed that the best supported club in the country is Middlesbrough. The Smoggies, who, during their recent home leg of the Worthington Cup failed to attract more spectators than local Third Division Darlington did, came out on top of a poll which represents the largest percentage of their local population turning out to support their home team. Boro headed the poll with 23% of the locals regularly turning up to the Riverside.

### Shine on

Quality really does shine through. A couple of weeks ago Sir Geoff Hurst's 1966 World Cup shirt was sold for £91, 750. In contrast a framed, and autographed, Matt Le Tissier shirt went for £400.

## It's only words

A footy match was abandoned in

Newport, South Wales last week after a player shouted at one of the opposing team's supporters: "Your wife's a slapper!" Those few little words sparked a mass punch up between players and fans of Bettws Social and Marshfield St Mellons. The referee eventually had to scrap the derby game, which Bettws were winning 4-1 at the time. A supporter said: "The women fans were calling the players gayboys and fatboys along with a load of four-letter abuse. Then one of the Bettws players responded and made the comment about the spectator's wife being a slapper. They started fighting, then everyone piled in." Both teams, understandably, face a disciplinary hearing from the local FA. League official Peter Aston said: "We take a dim view of this sort of behaviour." But Bettws manager Robert Ellow was more biased in his opinion: "As far as I'm concerned, my players did nothing wrong."

## Boys will be boys

In a similar tale schoolboy footballers burst into tears when 12 of their dads started fighting on the touchline. Tempers had got a bit heated in the under 13's match between Stockport Blues and Reddish Villa and the parents just started beating each other up. Police arrested one man and the ref abandoned the game. A league official gave the most obvious of sound bites and said: "It was disgusting."

## It's sheep we're up against

A manager was fuming last week after the ref called the game off because the pitch was covered in sheep dung. Because they play in North Yorkshire the players of Gilamoor FC are used to having to play amongst such animal obstacles but the referee feared that someone would slip and hurt themselves. Gilamoor manager Bob Pettit said: "We've played on pitches covered in cow pats. We couldn't see the problem."

### Calm down

Amateur footballers in all of Bedfordshireis 500 clubs have been ordered to behave better by their local FA after a shortage of refereeis in the county was blamed on violence and intimidation.

## England's future tactics

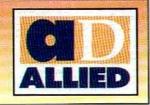
The Eagle Wanderers Under 16's of Hazelmere Surrey refine their football skills by playing the card game Snap before each match. It seems to be working. The boys have now gone eight matches unbeaten.

## Can I kick it?

A group of vegan footballers took their beliefs a bit too far last week. They pulled out of tournament in Taunton, Somerset ten minutes before their game was due to kick-off because they realised the ball was made of leather.



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## In Town Today Swindon Town

Relegated at the end of the 1999-2000 campaign, the Robins are now under new ownership - Terry Brady having taken control of the club in a £2 million coup in the summer. The Robins also have a new boss - the former Bolton Wanderers gaffer, Colin Todd, who took over as manager at The County Ground last May following the departure of Jimmy Quinn.



Introducing Swindon Town....

This afternoon we welcome Swindon Town to Boundary Park for our sixth home League game of the season.

If you glance at the Second Division League table you will note that the Robins have not made a brilliant start to the season. Currently perched on one of the lower rungs of the ladder, they have a lot of hard work ahead of them, but as well all well know, a League season is a marathon not a sprint and there is still an awful lot of points still to play for. Thereby they could quite comfortably fly upwards to secure a play-off spot (at least) before the curtain comes down next May! We shall see. Last season Swindon had a disastrous time - especially on the road. They in fact lost 26 of their 46 League games (14 away from home). They registered only eight wins (three on opponents' grounds) and scored just 38 goals (less than one a game). They mustered 36 points - 65 less than the champions Charlton Athletic.

At one time during the season the Robins were completely 'tailed off' having chalked up a meagre three victories from 34 games. Things improved late - five wins and a draw from their last 12 fixtures - but the mini revival came far too late to save them from the drop.

Now things have changed at the County Ground and Colin Todd and his crew are aiming for better things in the not too distant future. He said at the start of the season: It would take time for him to get everything in order they way he wants it to be and the fans appreciate this, hoping that at least the year 2001 will be a lot better that 2000!

His only major outlay so far was to spend £300,000 on the West ham striker Gary Alexander who was in fine fettle whilst on loan to lowly Exeter City last season.

This is the Swindon Town squad currently under Todd's control....

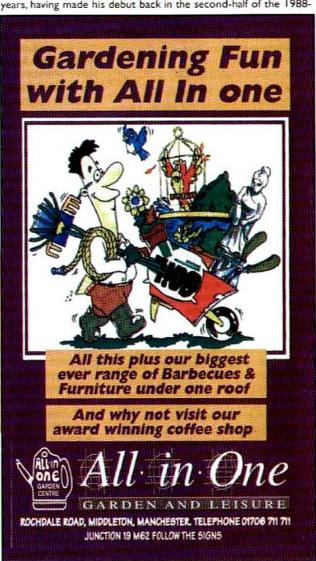
Goalkeeper BART GRIEMINK (aged 28) was a summer signing from Peterborough United. Born in Holland, the former WK Emmen and Birmingham City 'keeper had an excellent campaign with Posh whom he helped gain promotion via the Third Division Wembley play-off Final last season. A fine shot-stopper, he made 67 appearances under Barry Fry and London Road and 26 under the same manager at St Andrew's.

Swindon's reserve 'keeper is STEVE MILDENHALL (22) who stands 6ft. 4ins tall and weighs over 14 stone. He has been associated with the Robins for six years and a professional for four. He has made just over a dozen first-team appearances to date.

### IN DEFENCE

Full-back MARK ROBINSON (aged 31) who can also play in midfield, began his career with West Bromwich Albion in the mid 1980s. He then did well Barnsley (over 150 appearances) and Newcastle United before joining Swindon Town in July 1994 for £600,000. A player who loves to carry the ball out of defence rather than hoofing it downfield, he enjoys getting forward (like a winger) and delivers a fine cross when allowed to. He's now amassed in excess of 275 first-team appearances for the Robins. Centre-back SOLOMON DAVIS (21) was born in Cheltenham and joined the Robins as a trainee, turning professional in May 1999. He's already appeared in over 60 first team matches and is highly thought of at the County Ground.

ALAN REEVES (aged 32) has been in League soccer for some 12 years, having made his debut back in the second-half of the 1988-



## In Town Today Swindon

1988-89 season with Gillingham (on loan from his first club Norwich City). He moved to Chester from Carrow Road and in 1991 was signed by Rochdale, switching south to Wimbledon in 1994 for £300,000. He starred in 57 games for the Dons (four goals scored) before moving to Swindon on a 'free transfer' in June 1998. In a varied career Birkenheadborn Reeves has now netted 20 goals in over 300 competitive matches. Scottish Premiership side St Johnstone sold defender KEITH O'HALLORAN to Swindon in the close season after he had done well with the Perth club. A strong competitor, able to occupy a number of positions, he spent most of his first year at McDairmid Park (1998-99) on the subs' bench before establishing himself in the side last season.

Versatile defender ADAM WILLIS is a youngster with a lot to offer and has already impressed in various training sessions. Capable of playing in a variety of positions, he could be on the bench this afternoon.

Defender or midfielder ANDY WILLIAMS (23) was born in Bristol and moved to Swindon for £55,000 from Southampton a year ago this week (after a short loan spell). Capped by Wales at under-21 level, he played very well last season and was in the running to become the Robins 'Player of the Year.'

ANTOINE VAN DER LINDEN (25) comes from Holland. A skilful defender, hard and resolute, he was signed full-time by manager Todd after impressing during a trial period at the club. In the past he has served with Xwerviers and Sparta Rotterdam.

Swindon's 25 year-old Argentinian JUAN COBIAN was a summer signing by manager Colin Todd from Aberdeen. He had previously played with Sheffield "Wednesday and prior to that, Boca Juniors. He has already figured in League action this term but may well be on the bench today.

## IN MIDFIELD

Australian DANNY INVINCIBLE (24 years of age) came over to England in the close season and has figured prominently in his manager's plans already. A compact, hard-working footballer with good skills, he loves to roam the park and get in a shot at goal.

Signed in January 1998 for £30,000, BOBBY HOWE has certainly been value for money and has now played over 70 games for Swindon having previously made four on loan with Ipswich Town and 18 for Nottingham Forest. The 26 year-old former England youth international, is best suited when playing just behind the front two.

After more than 150 games for Bristol City and three on loan to Burnley, former England youth international midfielder MATT HEWLETT joined the Robins in the summer to embark on his eighth season in League football. Aged 24, he's suffered with injury during the last two campaigns but is now fighting fit and ready to do battle with the Robins Scotsman DAVID DUKE from Inverness, arrived in July from Sunderland where he had become surplus to requirements The 21 year-old midfielder failed to break into the first XI at The Stadium of Light.

## IN ATTACK

CHARLIE GRIFFIN from Bath has been with Yeovil Town (on loan) and Chippenham Town before joining Swindon in the summer. A striker with two good feet, he enjoys a challenge but needs to build up the physical side of his game. GARY ALEXANDER, aged 21, from Lambeth (London), was previously with West Ham and Exeter (on loan). He failed to get into the first XI at Upton Park but gained experience by making 60 appearances and scoring 19 goals for the Grecians - before his big-money move to the County Ground. He was voted Exeter's 'Player of the Year' last season. GIULIANO GRAZIOLOI was born in Marylebone (London) of Italian parents in



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March 1975. He played for non-League side Wembley before joining Peterborough United in 1995. For Posh he scored 17 goals in 52 appearances before joining Swindon in July 1999 on a free transfer. He has good pace and an excellent eye for goal.

Without having made the first XI, striker STEVE COWE (26) was sold by Aston Villa to Swindon for £100,000 in March 1993. He has now chalked up some 100 appearances for the Robins and netted 10 goals. He has plenty of skill, shows some neat touches and thrives on hard work.

### IN CHARGE



Colin Todd Born in Chester-le-Street, County Durham in December 1948, Colin Todd represented the town's schoolboy team before joining Sunderland as a 16

year-old, turning professional at Roker Park in December 1966 - seven months before helping the Wearsiders win the FA Youth Cup. He spent the next four years with Sunderland before transferring to Derby County for £180,000 in February 1971. Seven-and-a-half years later, in September 1978, he moved to Everton for £350,000 and twelve months after that he became a Birmingham City player for £350,000. In August 1982 Todd switched to Nottingham Forest for £70,000 and in January 1984 he signed for Oxford United before trying his luck in the NASL with Vancouver Whitecaps. He then returned to England to assist Luton Town, retiring in the summer of 1985 to take over as manager of Whitley Bay. In May 1986 Todd became reserve team coach at Middlesbrough; four months later he was given the position of chief scout/assistant-manager and then when Bruce Rioch left he became manager (March 1990), retaining that position until May 1991. Twelve months later Todd was given the assistantmanager's job at Bolton Wanderers (again

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## Did You Know?

- Swindon played in both the 1911 and 1912 FA Cup semi-finals, losing to Newcastle United and Barnsley respectively.
- Paul Rideout, who is still in the game today, has been the youngest debutant for Swindon, aged 16 years, 107 days old v. Hull City in 1980.
- In season 1985-86 the Robins weighed in with a record 32 League wins out of 46 starts in Division 4.
- Full-back John Trollope appeared in a club record 889 senior games for Swindon Town between 1960 and 1981.
   He starred in 770 Football League matches and is currently in the list of topten appearance-makers in the history of the game.
- Glenn Hoddle managed Swindon from 1991 to 1993. And among the other former internationals who have taken the boss's seat at the club are Ossie Ardiles, Lou Macari, Steve McMahon and Jimmy Ouinn.

under Rioch) and in January 1995, with Roy McFarland, he became joint-manager of the Trotters, taking over the reins himself when McFarland left for Cambridge United in November 1996. He left The Reebok Stadium in 1999 and in April 2000 became manager of relegated Swindon Town.

A man who has certainly seen it all and done it all in the world of football, Todd amassed more than 700 appearances at club and international level. A powerful, determined footballer able to occupy the right-back, wing-half, centre-half or midfield positions, he won 27 full caps for England as well as representing his country at youth and under 23 levels. He also played for the Football League side. He won two League championship medals with Derby in 1972 and 1975; helped Blues gain promotion from the Second Division in 1980 and was voted 'Footballer of the Year' in 1975. As manager he took Bolton up to and down from the Premiership and has been the oldest player so far to appear in a League game for Oxford - 35 years, four months.



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## WINTER IS COMING

As everyone found out over the last week, the weather has certainly took a turn for the worst ... so why not buy an early Christmas present, this stadium coat modeled by Andy Holt has inner padding for warmth and is fully rain proof, priced at £59.99 the coat is exclusively available in Latique Sport & Leisurewear.

The new Latics skull hat is priced competitively at £7.99 just right for those cold winter months!

### PLAYERS GO RACING

Latics first team players Lee Duxbury, Shaun Garnett, Andy Holt, Neil Adams, Scott McNiven and a host of others will be selling tickets for the first two races at Latics Race Night on Wednesday 25th October.

The night begins at 7.30pm at the Avant Hotel, you will be able to enjoy racing on film and a potato pie supper is included in the £5 entry price.

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### LADIES EVENING

Latics have once again organised a Ladies Evening with local duo Halo topping the bill accompanied by comedian Barry York.

The evening starts with a three course dinner followed by the star cabaret on Thursday 30th November 2000.

The venue is once again at the Avant Hotel, Manchester Street, Oldham and tickets are available priced at £16 each.

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## The time of multi

Loan signing Chris Lightfoot has never ventured outside his native North West during a career which should see him clock up 400 League appearances during the coming campaign.

The 30-year-old central defender has been borrowed from Crewe having previously played for Chester and Wigan.

In his four years at Gresty Road, Chris has played over 80 games, but has never been considered a first-team regular.

And having not featured in the senior side this season, Chris was keen to join Latics when the opportunity came up.

Here Chris recalls some of the special moments from his career spent as a journeyman in the lower divisions.

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## FOOTBALLING ROOTS

I suppose it was inevitable I became a footballer as my family are all into the game. My grandfather Jimmy Lightfoot played for Runcorn and holds the record for the number of appearances for them. My father also appeared in non-league and my three brothers all play the game. In fact my eldest brother could have joined Blackburn but surprisingly turned down the chance to work in a factory.

## LEAGUE DEBUT

How can I ever forget that game for Chester against Grimsby in 1987 as I broke my foot after only five minutes. Manager Harry McNally wouldn't let me come off until the closing stages so it was a painful first match.

## **BIGGEST GAME**

Without doubt it was the Second Division playoff final Cagainst Brentford at Wembley. I only came on as a substitute for the last five minutes but at least I can say I have played there. It was a great day for the club and also for me, my family and friends.

## **BEST GOAL**

I have managed to score a few, but the one for Chester against Notts County at Sealand Road stands out. I remember the write up in the paper which said the only muscles which moved were in the eyes of the 'keeper. I hit the ball from 30 yards and it flew into the top corner.

## TOUGHEST STRIKER

I came up against Dion Dublin during his early days at Cambridge and he was a handful as was Dele Adebola at Crewe.

## Chris Lightfoot

He would give me a torrid time in training.

TOP DEFENSIVE PARTNER

Colin Greenall was great to play alongside and my favourite fellow centre half. We were together at Chester and later for a short spell at Wigan

## **HONOURS**

Sadly there aren't many. Chester finished runners-up in the Fourth Division while Crewe won the play-off final at Wembley which was the highlight of my career.

## BEST/WORST GROUNDS

Without question Wembley is the best while the worst was Aldershot when they were still in the League. When you look at the lower divisions there are a few places which aren't so hot including Exeter which is also a long way to go.

## **MANAGERS**

Graham Barrow and Dario Gradi are the two who stand out. I also played alongside Graham and he is a good man manager. As for Dario his coaching ability is second to none. He brings players from non-league clubs and others who have failed elsewhere and develops them into first-team players. He does that on a regular basis, an indication as to how good a coach he is.

## **AMUSING MOMENTS**

Harry McNally once gave us a rollicking following one particular match and then jumped into the bath which was full of scalding-hot water. He was in such a state he never checked the temperature and came out looking like he was wearing red tights.

I remember finding that amusing at the time.

## **FUTURE GOALS**

I would like to stay in the game and am already looking ahead to when I stop playing. I have taken my preliminary coaching badge and hope to go in for my UEFA 'B' licence next.

Management/coaching is something which appeals, but I hope to carry on playing for a few more years.





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**Bournemouth:** Club officials are planning an appeal to the Football

Association after being found guilty of misconduct following protests made to Referee Richard Beeby during their match at Colchester.



Brentford: The Bees have failed with a £100,000 bid for Portsmouth defender

lason Crowe who has been on loan at Griffin Park.



Bristol City: Danny Wilson's latest transfer wheeler dealing has seen him

recruit Southampton's Daniel Rodrigues on Ioan while Ben Wright and Alex Ball have been allowed to join non-league clubs Woking and Salisbury temporarily.



Bristol Rovers: lan Holloway's Worthington Cup giantkillers have another Premiership

club in their sights. After beating Everton over two legs following a penalty shootout; Sunderland visit the Memorial Ground in round three when the competition reverts to a straight knockout.



Bury: Would-be new owner Norton Lee watched the up-forsale Shakers' home

victory against Bristol Rovers and was evidently impressed with Andy Preece's shoestring side which, despite the club's financial troubles, are second in the table and the season's surprise package.



## Cambridge United:

Despite their great start to the season beaten only twice in nine League matches -

Roy McFarland's side is failing to woo the townsfolk with average attendance's at the Abbey Stadium less than four thousand.



## Colchester United:

The Us have taken Chelsea striker Mark Nicholls on loan to

help fill the void left by Tresor Lomano Lua-Lua's £1.25 million transfer to Newcastle. Norwich's Northern Ireland international front man Adrian Coote turned down a temporary move to Layer Road.



Luton Town: Ricky Hill was unable to (a) agree personal terms with Venezuelan

Giovanni Saurese after trials. The Hatters have released Jose

Soavedra, another overseas trialist.



Millwall: Referee Andy Hall ordered injured player Tim Cahill back on to the

pitch in the Worthington Cup tie at Ipswich. The Lions had already had Joe Dolan and Steven Reid sent off, used all their substitutes and seen Christopher Kinet limp off, but eight players must be on the pitch in order to make a game.



## Northampton Town: The Cobblers,

who recently took defender Richard Dryden on Ioan

from Southampton, are mean at the back having conceded only seven League goals thus far. Only Wycombe have let in fewer goals in the Second Division.



## **Notts County:**

Jocky Scott has made a double loan swoop to halt their slide,

signing Crewe striker Colin Cramb and Manchester City defender Nick Fenton.



## Oxford United:

What a bizarre state of affairs with sacked manager Denis Smith

agreeing to stay on to work with chairman Firoz Kassam to find his

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replacement. Favourite is former England international Mark Wright, who began his playing days at Oxford and who is manager of Conference club Southport.



Peterborough United: Barry Fry has sent out Drew

Broughton and John French on loan to Conference clubs Dagenham and Redbridge, and Boston United respectively. While Matthew Hann has been sent to Stamford short term



## Port Vale:

Wimbledon striker Wayne Gray has arrived on loan to

replace David Freeman who has returned to Nottingham Forest. Goalkeeper Paul Musselwhite has moved to Hull City on a free transfer.

Reading: Alan Pardew's efforts have been rewarded with the Royals' boss named Second Division manager of the month after a run which has lifted them into fourth place.



Rotherham United:

Ronnie Moore's newlypromoted Millers are adjusting well to life in

the Second Division with five wins - including one against Latics - and

two draws in their first 11 League matches.



Stoke City: The Potters became only the second team from the division to reach the third round of the

Worthington Cup after defeating Premiership club Charlton. First Division Barnsley visit the Britannia Stadium in the last 32.



## Swansea City:

Sixteen-year-old midfield player Matthew Crowell has

joined Premiership side Southampton in a £100,000 transfer.



## **Swindon Town:**

Colin Todd's side arrives at Boundary Park buoyed by Sunday's first home

win of the season against bottomclub Oxford when Alan Reeves and Guiliano Grazioli scored the goals which lifted the new-look Robins out of the bottom four.



Walsall: The Saddlers continue to set the pace at the top of the table with the win at

Colchester taking them five points clear of third-placed Wycombe. Ray Graydon's side

has lost only once in their first 11 League matches.



## Wigan Athletic:

Simon Howarth has the distinction of being the first player to score a hat-trick

at the JJB Stadium having scored all the goals in a 3-1 victory against Colchester.



## Wrexham:

Manchester City Academy striker Chris Killen, already a full New Zealand

international at the age of 17, is enjoying his first taste of League football at the Racecourse.



## Wycombe Wanderers:

Jamie Bates and Jermaine

McSporran scored within an incredible nine seconds of one another against Peterboprough sending anoraks scurrying for their record books. Bates scored with the final touch of the opening half and McSporran immediately after the restart.





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## McVITIE, George

A positive winger, able top occupy both flanks (but preferred the right) McVitie was born in Carlisle in September, 1948. He attended Petterill bank School (Carlisle) and represented both Carlisle & District Boys before joining the apprentice staff at Brunton Park in May 1964, signing professional forms in December 1965. From Carlisle he moved to West Bromwich Albion for an unusual fee of £33,333.33 in August 1970. After two years with the Baggies he was transferred to the Latics for £15,000 in August 1972. One hundred and fourteen appearances and 20 goals later he moved back to Carlisle for £12,000 (August 1975) where he remain until 1981 before serving Queen of the South. In 1971 McVitie was capped by England at schoolboy and youth team levels, he represented the FA XI on several occasions whilst

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### MANAGERS

Here is a list of the managers employed by Oldham Athletic FC:

STREET, STREET	CHANGE BURNESS OF THE
David Ashworth	1906-14
Herbert Bamlett	1914-21
Charlie Roberts	1921-22
David Ashworth	1923-24
Bob Mellor	1924-27
Andy Wilson	1927-32
Jimmy McMullan	1933-34
Bob Mellor	1934-45
Frank Womack	1945-47
Billy Wootton	1947-50
Goerge Hardwick	1950-56
Ted Goodier	1956-58
Norman Dodgin	1958-60
Jack Rowley	1960-63
Les McDowell	1963-65
Gordon Hurst	1965-66
Jimmy McIlroy	1966-68
Jack Rowley	1968-69
Jimmy Frizzell	1970-82
Joe Royle	1982-94
Graeme Sharp	1994-97
Neil Warnock	1997-98
Andy Ritchie	1998 to da
* Andy Ritchie took	over the

## MANCHESTER CITY

Latics' Football League record against City is:

reins from Warnock in May 1998.

Venue	P	W	D	L F	Α
Home	21	6	5	10 2	33
Away	21	6	4	11 20	35
Totals	42	12	9	21 4	7 68

The last occasion City visited Boundary park was in season 19998-99 when the beat the Latics.

The Latics have done well at Maine Road over the last 12 seasons, losing only once in six visits, They registered a fine 4-1 victory there in 1988-89 and shared the spoils in a 3-3 draw in the first Premiership campaign of 1992-93.

Joe Ryole is one of the main personalities who has been associated with both clubs, likewise Willie Donachie and two more former bosses, limmy McMullan and Les McDowall. Bobby Johnstone and Roger Palmer were splendid strikers at Boundary Park and Maine Road, while Kenny Clements defended well for both clubs. And we can't forget the Futcher twins, Paul and Ron, nor Earl Barrett, Ken Branagan, Jimmy Broad (pre-First World era), goalkeeper Harry Dowd, Tony Henry, Jimmy Naylor (1930s), Gordon Smith, Roy Warhurst and Bob Whelan - plus many others!

## **MANCHESTER UNITED**



Latics' League record against United:

Venue	P 1	W D	L	F	Α
Home	18	6	6	26	36
Away	18 4	1 3	- 11	19	38
Totals	36	10 9	17	45	74



## Tony Matthews continues his series of Oldham Athletic through the Alphabet

A goal by Neil Adams gave the Latics a famous 1-0 Premiership victory over United here at Boundary Park in March 1993. Either side of the encounter United came here and won 6-2 and 5-2.

It was so near yet so far for the Latics when they lost to United in the FA Cup replay at Wembley in 1994. After an initial 1-1 draw, the Reds went through to the Final with a 4-1 victory at the second attempt!

Andy Ritchie is one of the key men who have represented both clubs while also we can name many, many more including Paul Edwards, Ron Ferrier, lan Greaves, Denis Irwin, Fred Kennedy (1920s), Billy McGlen, Harry McShane, Albert Quixall, Billy Toms and Jeff Wealands....etc. etc. etc.

### MANSFIELD TOWN

Latics' League record against the Stags:

Venue Home			L F 2 4	ALCOHOLD !
Away Totals	23	7 4	12 3	5 45

We have to go back to the early 1970s (Division 3) to find our last games against the Stags. In 1971-72 the Latics won 2-1 at home but lost by the same score at Field Mill.

## MARSHALL, Alf

Half-back Alf Marshall played for the Latics for three seasons: June 1920 until June 1923 when he sadly died following a serious breakdown in health. He was only 35 years of age. Born in Darlington in 1888 he played initially for Darlington St John's and Darlington Augustine's before joining Fulham in October 1909. He had a peculiar knock-kneed gait but nevertheless was a tough character who loved a challenge. He made over 100 appearances for the Cottagers and almost 70 for the Latics.

## MARSHALL, lan (right)

Now aged 34, play-anywhere lan Marshall has had a fine career (despite a few injury worries). Born in Liverpool on 20 March 1966 he started out with Everton as a centre-half, signing professional forms at Goodison Park in 1984. In March 1988 he was transferred to Boundary Park for £100,000 and over the next five years gave the Latics excellent service, amassing 204 first-class appearances and scoring 40 goals, helping the side win the Second Division title in 1991 and compete in the Premiership. In August 1993 he switched across country to Ipswich Town for a fee of £750,000 and continued to do the business at Portman Road. netting38 times in less than 100 outings before moving to

Leicester City for £875,000 in August 1996. Injuries interrupted with his performances at Filbert Street but he still played on, securing 26 more goals in 99 League and Cup matches, gaining a League Cup winners' medal in 2000 when the Foxes beat Tranmere Rovers at Wembley. Marshall was released from Filbert Street four months ago after Peter Taylor had taken over as manager from Martin O'Neill.



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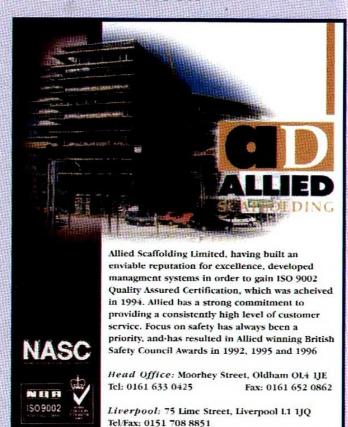
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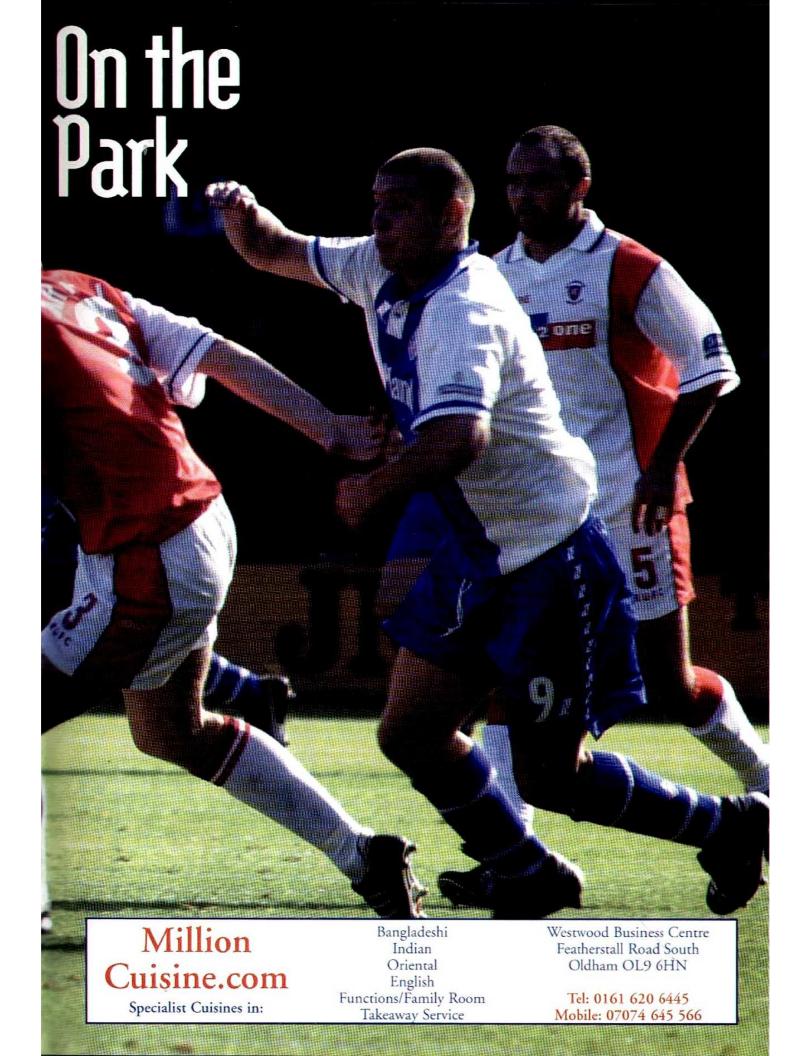
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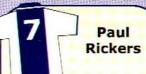
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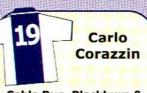
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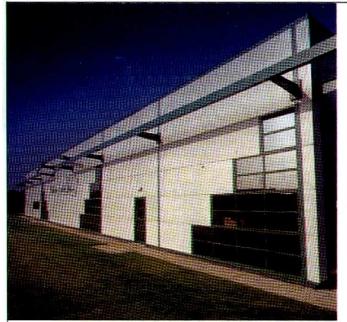
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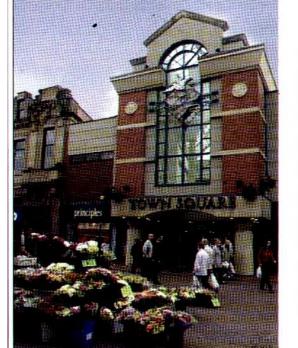
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To be compared with Wilf Mannion and Peter Docherty, two footballing greats is a measure of Bobby Johnstone's standing in the game.



The tiny Scot, an inside forward standing only 5ft 5\_ins, arrived at Boundary Park towards the end of an illustrious career. It began at Hibs who were the

dominant team in Scottish football and for whom he won three championships and finished runner-up a further three times. Bobby also achieved success at Manchester City where he had the distinction of becoming the first player to score in successive F.A. Cup Finals.

His effort in 1955 was a consolation as Newcastle lifted the cup, but 12 months later he was a Wembley winner against Birmingham.

After a short spell back at Hibs, Bobby joined Latics in a £4,000 transfer in October 1960 and he was to make 143 League appearances in his five years at the club, and become one of their favourite sons. Indeed a crowd of over 17,000 - Latics highest crowd for six-and-a-half years - saw Bobby's debut against Exeter, an indication as to the buzz his arrival brought to the town. Here Bobby, who has recently moved back to Oldham after failing to settle on returning to Scotland, recalls some of the goal-den moments from a career which saw him win 17 full caps for Scotland.

### JOINING HIBS

I was serving my time as a painter and playing junior football. Going from earning 7s 6d a week to £4 was rags to riches. When I signed Hibs had 84 professionals, but could afford so many because it was the days of the maximum wage. Hibs only had two

teams so there was great competition for places with 60 players kicking their heels as there were no substitutes in those days.

### LEAGUE DEBUT

It was for Hibs in a League Cup-tie at Partick Thistle and we lost. I was 17-years of age and it was quite an ordeal as the side had so many big-name players in it.

### **BEST GOAL**

Without doubt it was against Motherwell early in my career. I beat three or four players and walked the ball into the net. You don't see players beating opponents and dribbling like they did at that time.

### MOST IMPORTANT GOAL

Scoring in successive F.A. Cup Finals were goals to remember, though the goal in 1956 stands out as we beat Birmingham that day.

## **BIGGEST GAME**

The international against England was massive and in those days played annually, and I appeared in the fixture for six successive games with the games at Hampden Park special. I also played against Hungary the year after that magical team beat England 6-3 at Wembley. We lost 4-2.

## HIGHLIGHTS

Winning the Scottish Championship three times at Hibs was special. The front five of Gordon Smith, Lawrie Reilly, Eddie Turnbull, Willie Ormond and myself were all Scottish internationals and recently Hibs named a new stand after us, the Famous Five Stand. I don't think having five internationals in one forward line will even happen again.

### DISAPPOINTMENTS

I was sad to leave Hibs as the forward line was the best I had ever played in. I had been at the club nine years and learned I was not to be given a benefit (testimonials were optional for 10 years' service) so that influenced my decision to move on. In my

career I played nearly 600 League games but never got a benefit.

## JOINING LATICS

When I arrived Latics were down near the bottom of the Fourth Division and in the process of rebuilding. There were a few ex-Manchester City players there and we narrowly missed out on promotion that year but went up within a couple of seasons.

### **BEST TEAMS**

The Hibs side was the best one I ever featured in. We used to regularly play friendlies against English teams and in nine years lost only one in 20-odd games. We even toured Brazil in 1953. In those days there wasn't much difference between the English and Scottish Leagues. As to the top teams I faced that has to be the Hungarians who were in a different class at that time.

## UNUSUAL MOMENTS

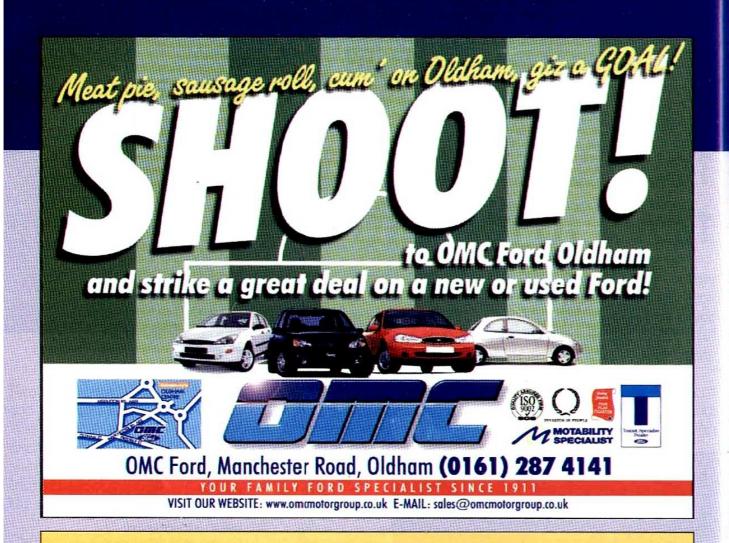
One thing which sticks in my mind is scoring a hat-trick of headers for Manchester City against Portsmouth which was quite a feat for somebody as small as myself.

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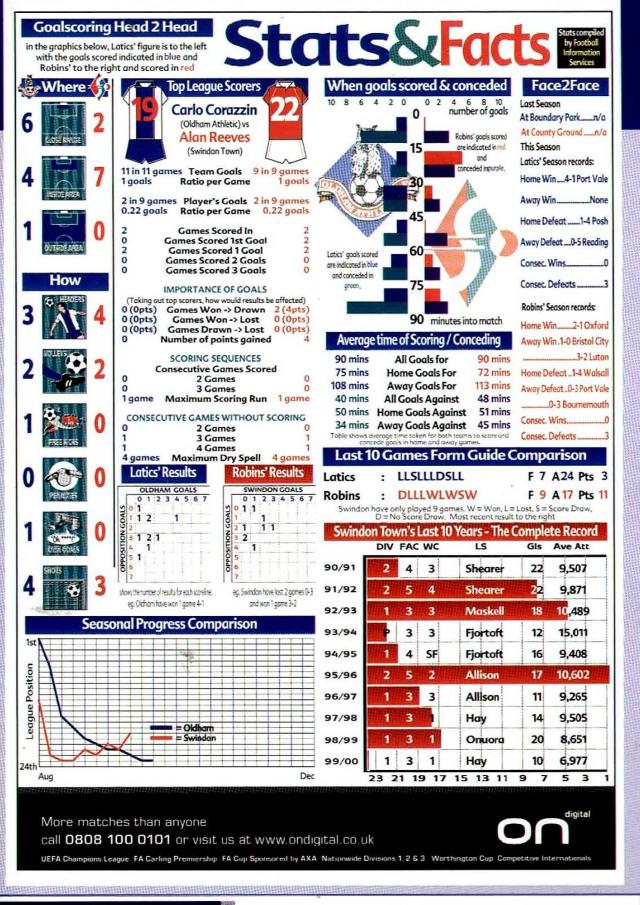
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### Olumpics are political football

Does it sometimes puzzle you why Great Britain does not field a football team in the Olympic games? Well, the answer is down to complex political issues relating to the national game here. It has long been the wish of FIFA for the four home nations to be united to form a Great Britain side. The English, Scottish, Welsh and Irish Football Association's have always fought to retain their own identities, and been successful on that score. But for the nations to come together to form an Olympic Games team would provide FIFA with the ammunition it has been seeking. If Great Britain was willing to compete as one in the Olympics why not, therefore, in the European Championships and World Cup? Much, as the authorities would love to contest the Olympics it is a risk they dare not take.

essentially an under-23 tournament with three over-age players permitted in each squad - has always been a minnow in the pool of major championships.

But, after the success of the competition in Sydney, its future is

The Olympic football tournament -

secure FIFA were delighted with the event as the men and women's events attracted over one million spectators through the turnstiles in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane and Canberra. There were criticisms by the way

Atlanta organisers banished football to outlying reaches of Georgia, and even to neighbouring states.

Though most of the preliminaries were staged away from Sydney its latter stages were contested in the Olympic City.

And on the pitch there was some exciting matches, though the standard was not perhaps as high as imagined.

The final, played in front of 98,000 in the Olympic Stadium, mirrored the tournament.

Who would have thought the ultraprofessional Spaniards would throw away a two-goal lead against Cameroon, the 'Indomitable Lions'

Indeed, but for an early penalty miss Spain would surely have won as that would have given them a three-goal

Cameroon's never-say-die spirit was rewarded, though they were aided by Spain having two players sent off. In fact Cameroon found it harder playing against nine men who simply shut up shop for 50 minutes as the final was eventually determined on penalties.

Cameroon, who defeated tournament favourites Brazil in the quarter finals and Chile in the last four, deserved the Olympic title. There were exciting to watch, but must be a coach's nightmare with some of the risks they take, especially in defence.

It is a measure of how serious the tournament is taken that Brazil sacked their under-achieving coach Wanderley Luxemburgo, who is also in charge of the national team Luxemburgo was already under pressure with Brazil in danger of not qualifying for the World Cup for the first time.

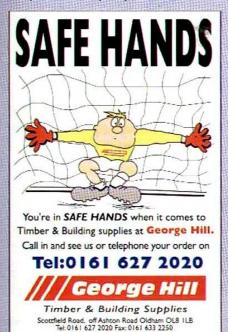
It was not only the Olympic men's tournament which was a success as the women's competition gained some new admirers.

There was also an excellent final in which Norway stunned reigning Olympic and World Champions, America.

International Olympic President luan Antonio Samaranch would like the age restrictions lifted and for the competition to go open.

But that will be resisted by FIFA as they don't want the Olympics to devalue the World Cup itself by being in direct competion.

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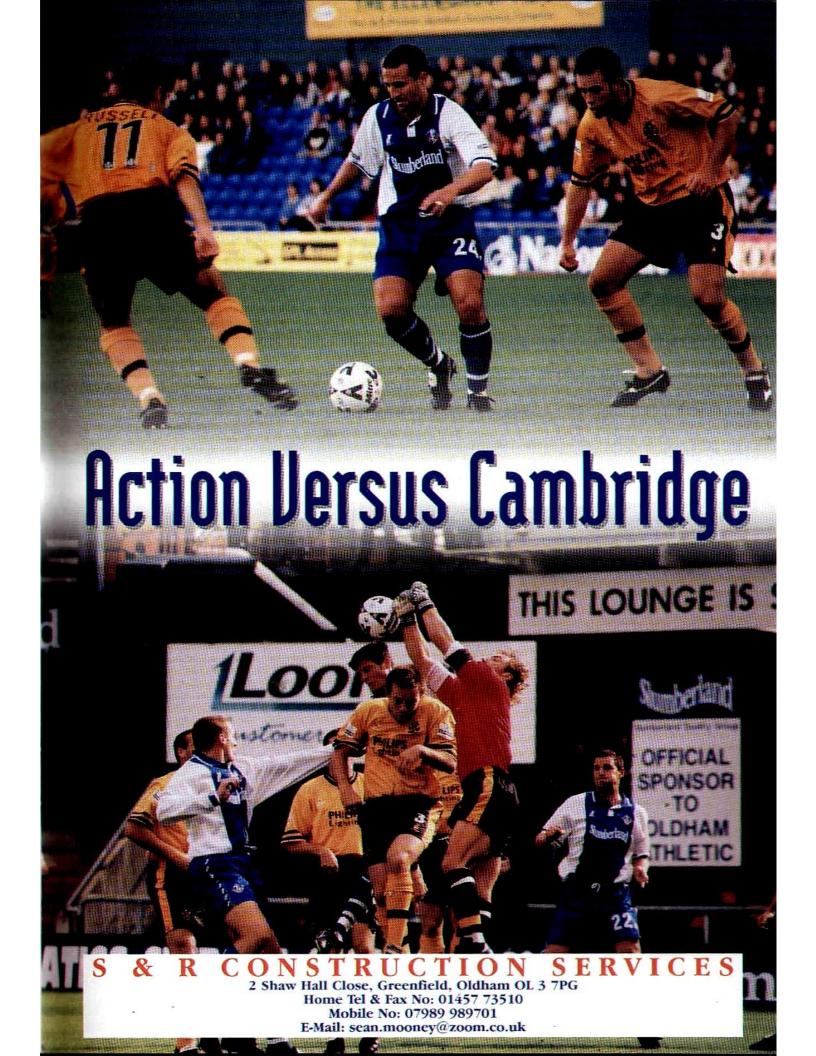
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# Division 2 2000/01 Ave. Attendances

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Bournemouth		3	876
Brentford		4	975
Bristol City		9	465
Bristol Rovers		8	,019
Bury		3	430
Cambridge			
Colchester			
Luton		5	605
Millwall		9	272
Northampton		5	,851
Notts County		4	,827
Oldham		4	,603
Oxford		4	,818
Peterborough		6	,059
Port Vale			,001
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Wycombe	5,236
Divisio	n 2 General Stats

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Rotherham.....

Swansea Swindon. Walsall

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Bournemouth	22	1	1	Oxford	27	1	6
Brentford	21	3	3	Peterborough	18	3	4
<b>Bristol City</b>	26	3	4	Port Vale	22	2	5
<b>Bristol Rovers</b>	24	3	2	Reading	24	4	3
Bury	22	7	2	Rotherham	20	4	0
Combridge	18	3	2	Stoke	20	4	2
Colchester	20	3	5	Swansea	19	5	5
Luton	20	2	5	Swindon	22	2	4
Millwall	25	4	1	Walsall	18	4	2
Northampton	18	4	- 2	Wigan	22	3	3
<b>Notts County</b>	24	3	3	Wrexham	20	0	2
Oldham	23	1	4	Wycombe	18	5	4
U=Players Used	CS=	Clean	Sheet	s FS = Games Tean	n Faile	d to S	core

#### **Division 2 Campaign Records**

Highest Gate ......14,532 Stoke v Wycombe Lowest Gate ...2,126 Wrexham v Rotherham Highest Aggregate Score .Brentford 2-6 Bristol Rovers Biggest Home Win ... Cambridge 6-1 Rotherham ....Reading 5-0 Oldham, Millwall 5-0 Oxford Biggest Away Win .Brentford 2-6 Bristol Rovers

Wins	Walsall 5
Games Unbeaten	Bristol Rovers 8
	Bristol City, Oxford 4
	Oldham 10
Home Wins:	45 (37%)
Away Wins:	42 (35%)
Draws:	34 (28%)
	18 (15%)
	9 (7%)
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Yellow cards:	359
Red cards:	19

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Wigan	Haworth	6	9	0.67	1	1	1	6	2	2
Millwall	Harris	7	8	0.88	0	2		5	3	High
Notts County	Stallard	6	11	0.55	0	2	1	5	3	3
Brentford	Scott	4	9	0.44	HIE	0		4		3
Northampton	Forrester	5	8	0.63	0	1	2	4	1	2
Swindon	Reeves	2	9	0.22	0	2	0	4		4
Bristol Rovers	Ellington	5	9	0.56	0	0	3	3	3	3
Cambridge	Youngs	6	9	0.67	0			3	3	4
Rotherham	Robins	6	9	0.67	0	1	1	3	2	2
Wrexham	Sam	6	9	0.67	0			3	5	3
Bournemouth	Fletcher S	4	11	0.36	0	0	2	2	1	3
Bristol City	Thorpe	5	9	0.56	0	0	2	2		5
Bury	Littlejohn	2	11	0.18	0	1	0	2	1	6
Colchester	Lock	2	10	0.20	0	0	2	2	2	6
Luton	Kandol	3	8	0.38	0	0	2	2	1	5
Reading	Butler	8	10	0.80	0	0	2	2	3	2
Wycombe	Baird	3	9	0.33	0	1	0	2	1	2
Peterborough	Clarke	3		0.27	0	0		alia hii	11112	7
Stoke	Thordarson	3	9	0.33	0	0	1	1	3	3
Oldham	Corazzin	2	9	0.22	0	0	0	0		4
Oxford	Beauchamp	2	10	0.20	0	0	0	0	1	7
Port Vale	Naylor	3	8	0.38	0	0	0	0		1115
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#### Division 2 Results Grid

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Olivier	7	3	33	4.71	
Hall	6	5	28	4.67	
Jordan	5	2	23	4.60	
Hill	5	0	22	4.40	
Dowd	6	5	26	4.33	
Foy	6	2	26	4.33	
Bates	4	0	17	4.25	
Wilkes	5	1	20	4.00	
Jones T	7	6	26	3.71	
Barry	3	0	11	3.67	
Mathieson	6	0	22	3.67	

#### Division 2 Hotshots - Each club's most prolific marksmen

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Thorpe	3	2	2	0	1	Port Vale	Naylor	2	2	1	1	0
Ellington	4	1	3	1	0	Reading	Butler	6	4	5	0	1
Littlejohn	2	1	2	0	0	Rotherham	Robins	5	3	4	1	0
Youngs	4	1	2	2	0	Stoke	Thordarso	n3	1	3	0	0
Lock	2	1	2	0	0	Swansea	Bound	2	2	2	0	0
Kandol	2	0	1	1	0	Swindon	Reeves	2	2	2	0	0
Harris	5	2	4	0	1	Walsall	Angell	5	2	4	1	0
Forrester	4	3	3	1	0	Wigan	Haworth	4	3	3	0	1
Stallard	6	3	6	0	0	Wrexham	Sam	5	2	4	1	0
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NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION NORTHAMPTON TOWNY ATHLETIC

Saturday 21st October, 2000 Kick off 3pm

**Ticket Details and Prices** 

We have been allocated 850 seats - behind goals Prices: £12 adults £8.50 iuniors/OAP's Pay at ticket cabins on the day. Travel by coach Standard Coach return fare:£10.00 Supporters Association Members £9.00 Coach departs from the rear of the Lookers Stand at 10.30am

Suggested Route

Leave Oldham on A627(M) to join M62 East towards Leeds. Contine with M62 to Junction 29 and join MI Southbound (Sheffield). Leave MI at junction 15A and take A43 towards Northampton and follow signs for Sixfields Leisure onto Upton Way - the ground is approximately 2 miles.



NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO BRISTOL ROVERS **VATHLETIC** 

Saturday 28th October, 2000 Kick off 3pm

**Ticket Details and Prices** We have been allocated 1132 STANDING places at Bristol Prices: £11 adults and £5.50 luniors/OAP'S

No Tickets - all pay on the day. PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE NO SEATS AVAILABLE FOR VISITING FANS

Travel by Coach

Standard coach return fare £12.50. Supporters Association Members £11.25 Coach departs from the rear of the Lookers Stand at 9.15am Would supporters please note that due to a lack of support for executive coach travel we have cancelled the executive coach to Northampton and will not be running any further executive coaches for the forseeable future. If there is sufficient demand later in the season then we may consider reinstating

Suggested Route

them.

Leave Oldham on the A627(M) to join M62 Westbound (Liverpool). Exit M62 at junction 10 (Croft) and join M6 Southbound (Birmingham). Leave M6 at junction 8 to join M5 (Southwest - Bristol). Exit M5 at junction 15 to join M4. Exit M4 at junction 19 to join M32 Bristol, Exit M32 at junction 2 and take 3rd exit at roundabout (signposted Horfield) into Muller Road. Continue for approximately I miles passing straight across three sets of traffic lights. At the 4th set of traffic lights turn left into Filton Avenue and the ground is immediately on the left.





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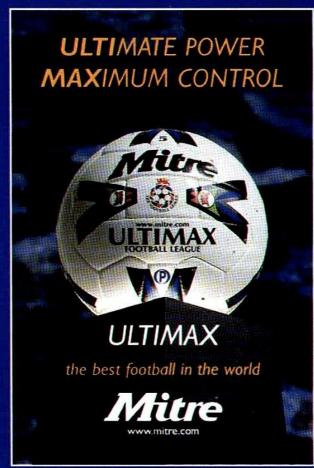
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Wycombe	11	4	1	1	10	4	2	2	1	3	2	7	21	
Reading	11	4	1	0	19	4	2	1	3	5	7	13	20	
Millwall	9	3	0	2	9	3	3	1	0	10	5	11	19	
Wigan	10	4	1	0	9	4	1	3	1	5	5	5	19	
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Sat 16	Bristol City	Н	0-0	4095	5	21
Tue 19	Sheffield Wed WC R2/I	Н	1-3	3213	•	
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Wed 27	Sheffield Wed WC R2/2	Α	1-5	4773		-
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#### **Reds Hit By City Jitters**

Isn't it heartening to see Manchester United disproving the theory that the rich are becoming richer among football's elite.

It hasn't been the best of times for the Reds with a series of setbacks, both on and off the field.

Could it be any coincidence that the dip in form is due to the absence of Jaap Stam who is such an influential figure. And with the giant Dutchman absent for some time, that must be a worry for Sir Alex Ferguson.

While the injury to Stam is United's Achilles heel on the playing front, there has been gloomy news on two financial fronts.

First there is the threat to the transfer system as we know it because of the meddling bureaucrats from Brussels. If the European Commission gets its and transfer fees all but disappear, the assets of clubs will diminish in value.

That was underlined in the City of

London when this disclosure became public knowledge.

Not long ago United's value exceeded £1 billion making them the world's richest football club.

But at a stroke the value of the club fell by 25-per-cent, though it remains the envy of others. Even the likes of Real Madrid, Barcelona and the Milan pair cannot live with them on a financial playing field.

The Reds remain on a different league when it come to money making, though even they are finding it tougher.

Their annual profits slid by 25-per-cent in the last trading year as they were hit by soaring players' salaries.

The champions controversial decision not to defend the FA Cup, as they headed off the Brazil for the World Club Championship, also deprived them of income.

They had five fewer home games which reflected their decision to withdraw from

the F.A. Cup

Operating expenses - wages being the main constituent - at the same time rose from £54.4 million to £65.8 million. Pre-tax profit fell from £25.73 million to £16.8 million which is still not to be sneezed at.

And with the Reds back in the F.A. Cup that source of income, denied to them in the last financial year, will once again appear on the balance sheet.

However, even for a club as rich as United, they cannot afford to sit on their laurels.

And it seems likely they will take stock in the somewhat volatile financial climate before embarking upon any further plans to complete Old Trafford's redevelopment.

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6	Lee Duxbury
7	Paul Rickers
8	John Sheridan
9	Matthew Tipton
10	Steve Whitehall
11	Mark Innes
12	Mark Allott
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14	Phil Salt
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16	Ryan Sugden
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18	Danny Boshell
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23	Andy Ritchie
24	Neil Adams
25	Jamie Campbell
26	Mark Watson
27	Ben Futcher
28	Jordan Tait
29	Paul Jones

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3.	Sol Davis
4.	Matthew Hewlett
5.	Adam Willis
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7.	Keith O'Halloran
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