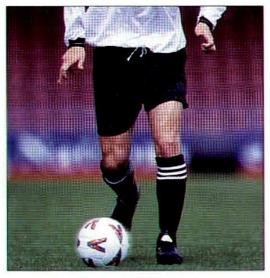
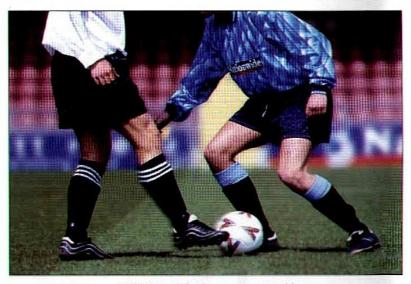


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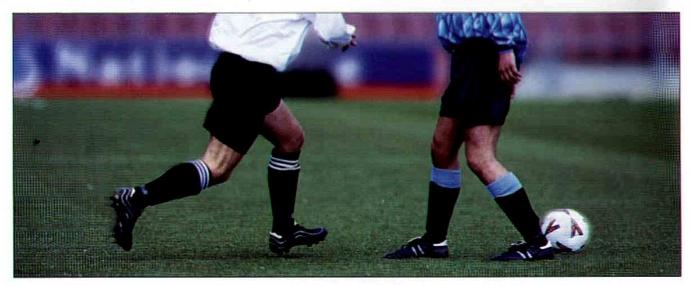




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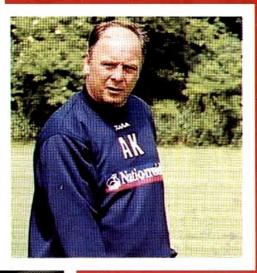
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Andy King looks ahead to tonights game and reflects on the events of last week



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## **Rallying Together**

I think enough has been said publicly about the events of the last week and because of the legalities of the issue I would prefer to say nothing more on the matter.

What does matter is that Andy King has been put in charge of the first team affairs until further notice with Malcolm Crosby as his assistant.

Andy's playing career is second to none - having joined Luton Town as a youngster before going on to play for Everton, QPR and finally back to Luton.

At Goodison he became a hero with the fans after scoring a memorable goal for the Toffeemen against Liverpool in a Mersey derby.

I can assure all our supporters that Andy has an encyclopedia of a football brain and a contacts book bulging with names that I know he will use to put this club back on track.

He has a great sense of humour and among the staff here at the County Ground is known as 'The Joker.'

I know he will do a great job for us and he has been entrusted for the time being to manage the club.

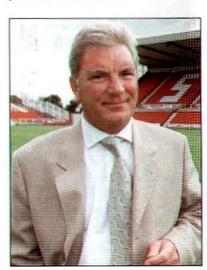
Malocolm Crosby's CV is equally as impressive - especially as a Manager and a Coach. Malcolm took Sunderland to an FA Cup final appearance and has also either managed or coached at Oxford United, WBA and Derby County. He is as committed to Swindon Town cause as Andy and both have personally told me so.

What has happened has happened and we must all now look forward to the future and that means giving Andy and Malcolm our full support.

I know the past week's events hurt



us all and our Chairman has been very upset by it but he remains 100% true to the cause and I would urge you all to do the same.



Let's get behind the lads for tonight's game against Cambridge United.

A warm welcome to the Directors, Players, Staff and Supporters of Cambridge - we hope you enjoy your visit - but, as always, there is only one winner.

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Peter Rowe Chief Executive



#### **Todd Staying Put Say Swindon**



It emerged after Tuesday night's home defeat by Millwall that Colin Todd was to walk out on the Town in favour of returning to the club where he won two championships as a player.

Colin Todd joined the club at the end of last season charged with the job of resurrecting Swindon's failing fortunes. Derby officials had

approached Club Chairman Terry Brady two weeks ago and were given grudging permission to talk to the Swindon Manager. However, the Football Club wish it to be known that despite reports in the press, Colin Todd remains the Manager of Swindon Town where he has signed a four year contract. Swindon Town Football Club are very satisfied with the current arrangement and have no wish to see him leave the Club.

However, it is felt that to protect the integrity of Swindon Town Football Club, Mr Todd has beent told to take a few days leave away from the club to allow the matter to resolve itself. Until further notice, Assistant Manager Andy King assisted by Malcolm Crosby will be in charge of first team duties.

#### Williams To Appeal Against Sending Off

Video footage will be sent to the FA as Town bid to overhal Tuesday night's sending off of Andy Williams.

The Welsh winger was given his marching orders by referee Keith Hill after picking up two yellow cards - the second for diving. However, footage clearly shows that Millwall keeper Tony



Warner made contact with the player as he broke through in the 52nd minute. In near-farcical scenes Williams was shown red and Town boss Colin Todd was banished to the stands after a bust up with officials. This is not a case of sour grapes on Swindon's part - for once they were truely robbed. What made it even more galling was that after the game keeper Warner admitted there was contact made.

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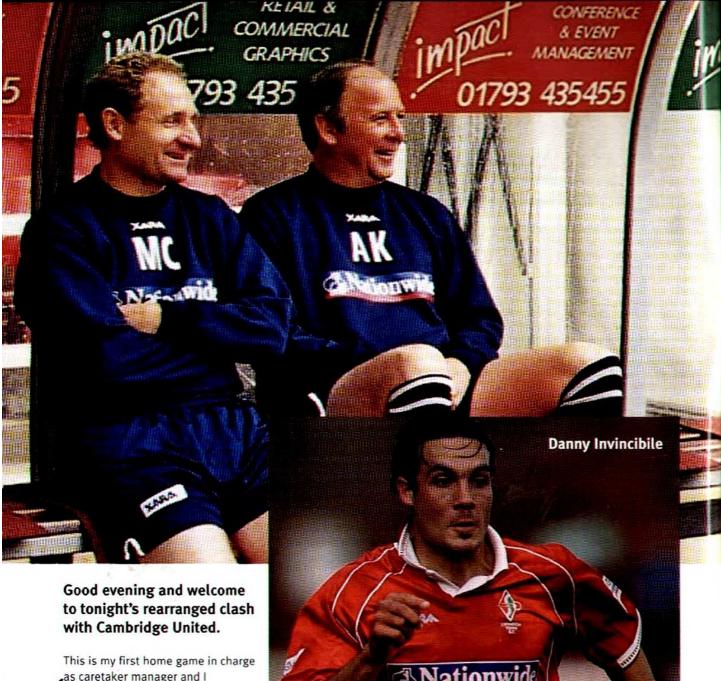
If you would like to know what is happeneing at the club on and off the pitch, what games are coming up, news on players and any special events, then email Jackie Kent at: kentjax@aol.com.

#### Defender Facing Ban After Booking

Swindon's in-form defender Sol Davis will miss tonight's match after recieving his fifth caution of the season against Swansea.

Sol has proven to be a very reliable and tough-tackling defender this season and his competitive nature will be missed. Caretaker boss Andy King said: "I think we will miss Sol. He is the best tackler at the football club. He is a good defender and has become a lot more patient."

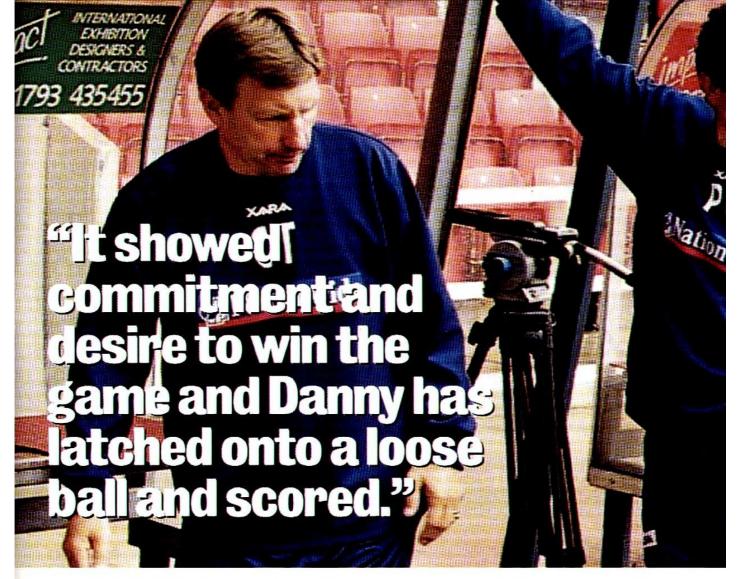




 as caretaker manager and I hope it will produce my first victory. Our visitors will provide us with a tough test and they will be keen to bounce back from their defeat at Millwall. After all the events of the past week I was glad to concentrate on football on Saturday. Those of you who travelled to Notts County will know how hard the lads battled and that they did not deserve to come away with nothing.I had asked for the players to show the same passion and commitment that I have for Swindon Town. That they did and let's hope it continues this evening and produces three points. After Saturday's game at Meadow Lane I can see a way forward and an

improvement. I don't like to use the word improvement because that is a little bit against the last regime of Colin. I do not want to be derogatory to Colin in any way. But they did what I wanted and we had up to 15 easy chances on goal. I thought in the first half that County crossed the half way line twice, each time to score a goal. At the end we threw caution to the wind and had four or five really good chances to equalise. I have to be honest, however. While I have said that I was pleased with them and that I will back them because we were so good in

defeat, we simply cannot keep losing games because we are in a position at the bottom of the league which is not good enough. That performance has got to be turned into a victory over the next two home games, starting against our opponents this evening. But there was something there for us to be happy about. I was pleased with all of them. I do not believe we have been embarrassed by anyone this season, in the defeats we have suffered. We are giving away silly goals from set-pieces. On Saturday Mark Robinson gave



away a silly free-kick for the first goal after diving in on a challenge. He won't learn though because if I take away his enthusiasm then I take part of his game away. It was the same with Sol Davis. The first goal that we scored was something that we had been working on in training. Getting people to win the second ball. It showed commitment and desire to win the game and Danny has latched onto a loose ball and scored. It was very pleasing from a coaching point of view. The second one was the same, from a well-worked dead-ball situation. In general play we had four or five great chances and David Duke had the best of them at the end there. I asked him after the game there if he had someone else lined up for the manager's job because he had just cost me it. I don't think he wants me to have the job on a permanent

basis. I could have put that in. It was an easy chance that he missed. We had people in the box and players were showing the desire and commitment to get into the box. After Saturday, I have now got to worry about Cambridge. I am a big boy and I can cope with it. The chairman says he has thrown me into the fire, but I don't know if that will end after night's game. I can't wait for football, I can't be dishonest. I am walking on a tightrope and I want a victory. I need that at all costs. With a little bit better defending from set-pieces and a bit more discipline then I can't see why we cannot beat Cambridge. There is no Manchester United in this league. Every team is capable of beating everyone else and I would imagine that the Notts County boss Jocky Scott was feeling a lucky man because he knew the better team lost on Saturday. I am

proud of them, but I am not proud of the defeat. The thing is that in recent weeks when we went a goal down I could not see us coming back and scoring two goals. At Meadow Lane they came back and showed a great deal of character. That is the improvement that I have seen. As a manager if you know that your team can score a goal then you have a chance. I was pleased that Danny (Invincibile) scored a couple on Saturday. I told him that I had bought a one way ticket back to Australia and that if he did not score then he would be off. There is no name on the ticket so Mark Robertson had better bag a few soon as well. That was a part of the response that I wanted from the players. A positive response from you the supporters has a big part to play in lifting the players. Please get behind the team as we look to make progress up the table.

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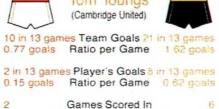
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Games Scored 1 Goal

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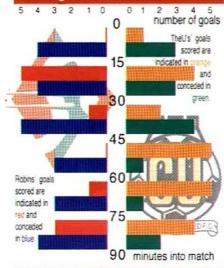
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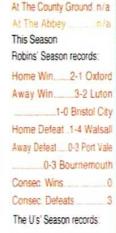
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#### Cambridge's Last 10 Years - The Complete Record

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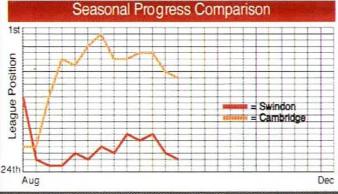
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## Cambridge United Football Club 2000/2001



## The U's...

Season 1999/2000 was a struggle for The U's. After gaining promotion in 1998/1999 Cambridge strove to adapt to life in Division Two. Although they were rarely beaten by more than the odd goal, United slumped to rock bottom in mid-January, with only a cup run, controversially ending in Fifth Round defeat by Bolton Wanderers. A rare bright spot in a difficult season.

With the sale of leading marksman Martin Butler to Reading after the cup exit, doubts were raised about the clubs survival. However, with Trevor Benjamin leading the front line, the return of veteran John Taylor and the astute loan signing of goalkeeper Lionel Perez saw United hit promotion form.

The key moment came on April 15th. The U's ran out 4-0 winners against fellow strugglers
Cardiff thanks to a
hat trick from the
Legend John Taylor. United clinched
survival with two games to spare
when they defeated Champions

Preston 2-0 at The Abbey Stadium.

The summer of 2000 once again saw Cambridge United having to sell. Trevor Benjamin moved to Leicester City for a club record fee in the region of £1.5 million. Roy McFarland is delighted with the shape of the side. "It provides an extra option away from home, and the players showed they understood the set-up well enough for us to adapt to it during matches".

Cambridge have started well this season, currently exceeding expectaions in a play off position.

#### (From left to right) Front Row:

Neil Mustoe, Alex Russell, Tom Youngs, Roy McFarland (Manager), Adam Tann, Nathan Lamey, Tom Cowan

Middle Row: David Preece, John Hansen, Neil MacKenzie, Shaun Marshall, Lionel Perez, Zema Abbey, Dan Chillingworth, Mark Gibson, Ken Steggles (physio)

Back Row: Andrew Duncan, Marc Joseph, John Dreyer, John Taylor, Ian Ashbee, Paul Wanless, Martin McNeil



## ClubFACTS...

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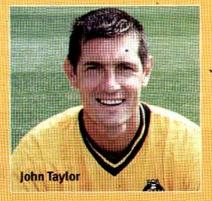
Ground: Abbey Stadium

Previous name: Abbey United

Capacity: 9,000

Highest League Scorer (season):

David Crown, 24, 1985-86

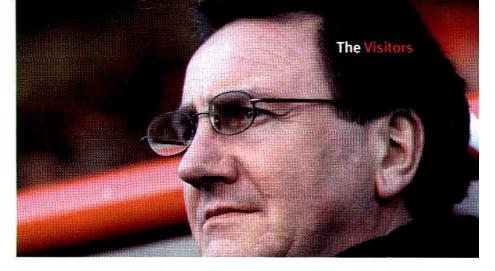


## Abbey Legend

T' is a legend at The Abbey, having stared in the successful U's side of the early nineties, he returned 'home' for a second spell in Jan'97 when he joined from Luton Town. Originally signed by the U's in 1998 from non-league Sudbury Town, he left The Abbey for Bristol Rovers before moving on to join Bradford City and

then Luton Town. A popular character he is in charge of the Reserve team but still found time to be joint League top-scorer two seasons ago. Although featuring less frequently last season, he found time to combine his coaching duties with an extended run in the side for the naîl-biting last few months.

This is Roy's fourth managerial appointment having been appointed U's manger in November 1996. Born in Liverpool, he began at Tranmere Rovers and quickly impressed before Brian Clough paid £24,000 to take him to Derby County in 1967.



# United's Roy McFarland



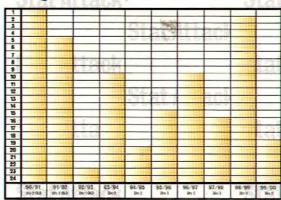
Two years later they were promoted from Division Two. He won the first of 28 England Caps in 1971 and captained Derby County to the Football League championship in 1972. He took over as Bradford City Player/Manager in May 1981.

A year later he returned to Derby to become Assistant, Caretaker and, eventually, Manager succeeding Arthur Cox in 1993. Two years later he joined Colin Todd at Bolton Wanderers, but relegation followed

and McFarland was sacrificed in favour of Todd. After being appointed Cambridge Manager in November 1996 he inherited a young side lying second in Division Three, but they quickly slumped and finished in 10th place. The following season with many players out of contract and a further two sold to balance the books, the side finished the season well, but patchy form earlier in the campaign undermined any promotional challenge.

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Division 2 Runners-Up 1991/92 Division 3 Champions 1990/91 Division 4 Champions 1976/77

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Paul Wanless U's Captain!

The heartbeat of the side, Wanless is a brave, powerful midfielder whose infectious enthusiasm was rewarded when Roy McFarland made him skipper.

He began his career as a trainee at Oxford before a short spell at Lincoln, during which time he managed to serve under three different managers. Paul joined United in the summer of 1996 after a spell on loan at The Abbey the previous season. Last season's 'Player of the Year'.

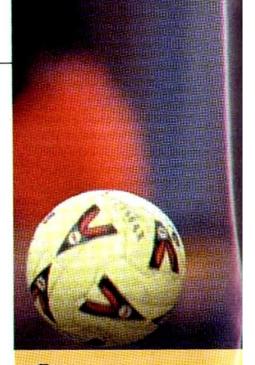


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The flamboyant Frenchman became an instant hero at the Abbey when he signed for last season's run-in following an injury to Shaun Marshall.

He kept four clean sheets in the. last nine games, and contributed massively to the U's survival. United clinched his services permanently during the close season. United manager Roy McFarland described him as the best signing of his career.



#### 3 Ian Ashbee



Became Roy McFarland's first signing when he joined the Club in Dec'96 from Derby County, making his debut

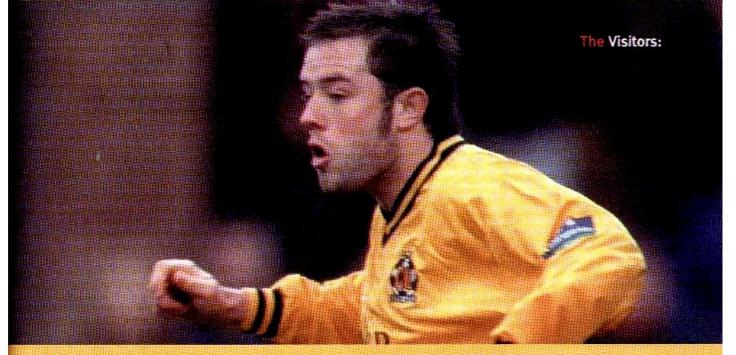
later that month at Torquay. A strong, versatile player Ashbee never lets anyone down whether selected in his preferred midfield role or almost anywhere across the back.

#### 4 Andy Duncan

Central defender signed for £20,000 from Manchester United in Apr'98 following a successful three-month loan spell at The Abbey. A solid, consistent player who settled into the heart of the United defence and relished the opportunity of League football. Has positional awareness, composure and strength.

#### 6 Neil Mustoe

A former Manchester United player signed on a free transfer from Wigan in 1998. Mustoe has spent much of his time at The Abbey competing for a slot with lan Ashbee. A combative player who is popular with the fans, 'Muzzy' represented England Schoolboys and won an FA Youth Cup at Old Trafford.



#### 9 John Hansen



One of the finds of last season, Hansen is a classy attacking leftsided midfielder who is never afraid to have a

shot. Signed from Danish Club Esbjerg in Feb'oo for a small fee. Hansen made three European appearances in the UEFA and Intertoto Cups whilst playing in his native Denmark.

#### 11 Alex Russell

Russell joined United in Aug '98 from Rochdale, and United fans are still shaking their heads in disbelief that he was signed on a free transfer. A natural playmaker, Russell has a good eye for goal and is deadly from set-pieces. Russell made a welcome return to the side in the final game of last season after enduring a campaign dogged by injury.

#### 12 Tom Cowan

A crowd favourite at both Huddersfield and Burnley, Cowan returned to The Abbey Stadium on a permanent basis in the summer after impressing whilst on loan. A determined left-back with the added weapon of a lethal long-throw. Cowan will be hoping the move south will bring him a change of luck after injuries dogged his time at Burnley.

#### 15 Tom Youngs



Tom has been with The U's since the age of ten and has progressed right through the youth

development system. An intelligent, creative forward player who made his League debut in Sept '97 in The U's 4-1 win over Colchester, almost scoring with his first touch.

### 16 David Preece

Vastly experienced former Walsall, Luton and Derby midfielder who joined United in Sept'96 after making seven appearances for Swindon whilst on loan. An excellent passer of the ball, the England B international is Assistant Manager at Cambridge where he is very involved with coaching and scouting responsibilities.

#### 20 John Dreyer

This vastly experienced defender arrived in the summer from Bradford City. Dreyer featured 14 times in the Yorkshire side's Premiership campaign last season and, although primarily a centre-half, he has played equally well at left back and in midfield during a distinguished career at clubs including Luton Town.

#### 22 Zema Abbey



This aptly named striker joined the club in Feb'oo after impressing on a trial period. A former Hitchin Town under 18 player, Abbey

returned to the Hertfordshire Club in Mar'98 after spells at Arlesey Town and Baldock Town. Good in the air, Abbey is noted more as a goal-maker than goal scorer.

#### 23 Neil MacKenzie

Signed in Oct'99 for a fee of £30,000. His capture from Stoke City ended a five-month quest to bring this personable Brummie to the Club. An elegant midfielder, MacKenzie first came to The Abbey on loan the season before last, but it took two management changes at the Britannia Stadium before the Potteries club could be persuaded to part with him.

#### 24 Steve McAnespie

Originally a midfielder with a devastating free-kick, former Scottish Youth International McAnespie cost Bolton £90,000 in 1995 and was signed by Kevin Keegan for Fulham for £100,000. His career stalled in West London, and he was snapped-up on a free transfer in Aug'00 after impressing his trial spell.

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# the verdict from the home defeat against Millwall...

## How they saw it

## National www.Teamtalk.com

Rooky Millwall striker Richard Sadlier netted his first goals of the season to sink struggling Swindon by two goals to nil at the County Ground.

He scored his first three minutes before the break after Swindon keeper Bart Griemink parried Lucas Neill's drive. He added his second after being put through by top scorer Neil Harris. Swindon manager Colin Todd was sent from his dugout a minute after winger Andy Williams was shown the red card for a second bookable offence.

#### Home www.thisisswindontownfc.co.uk

A night of high drama saw Todd given the red card and his side reduced to ten men as they slipped to another home defeat.

Only seven minutes into the second half the Hertfordshire official decided not to award Town a penalty when Andy Williams was brought down by Lions keeper Tony Warner. Instead he sent him off. The first half had come from Sadlier after Griemink could only parry the ball into the air as he dived away to his left. The killer second goal finally came in the 77th minute as Town pressed forward and they were caught on the break, Sadlier claiming his second after being put through by Harris. It was the end as far as Town were concerned and manager Colin Todd was left to reflect on another bad day at the office.

#### Away www.millwallfc.co.uk

The Lions opened the scoring when a poor clearance gave Livermore the chance to win the ball just outside the box. .

He thumped a left foot shot at goal that the keeper could only parry and Sadlier bravely put his head in to nod the ball in the net. In the second half a through ball into the Lion's box was chased by No 15 Williams and as Warner dived for the ball, the Swindon man fell to the ground. The referee booked Williams for diving. As he had already been booked, he was sent off. Colin Todd was also sent off from the bench. Millwall's second followed a determined run from Harris, his through pass to Sadlier on the left and Richard's low left foot shot found the back of the net.



## Managers' views...



The headlines will centre around a decision which, if the referee analysed it and looked at it again then he would probably have second thoughts

on it," "Had it been somebody else other than Andy then I would have held my hands up and said he deserved it. **Colin Todd** 

Todd, making his last post-match comments tries to hide his disappointment at the result as well as Williams's sending off.



"I was pleased with our endeavour. There was a swirling wind but at times we played some decent stuff. "It was difficult because the wind

was very strong but I was happy with our application. It wasn't a bad performance at all. "At times we were sloppy with our passing and that has been mentioned in the dressing room."

Mark McGhee, talking in the Millwall website expresses his delight with his side's performance and 2-o victory.

# Mark McGhee







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It came as a great relief to me when BBC Wiltshire Sound broke the news on Friday morning that Colin Todd had taken a few days leave.

## "On our Todd?-Long live the King"

This was while the issue of his proposed move to Derby County is resolved. What a farce! I feel saddened that Todd wants to join a club which means more to him, but can understand his desire to return to his spiritual home. Fair enough, but I had to laugh at Derby manager Jim Smith's reported comments that "Swindon chairman Terry Brady was holding out for every penny". Of course he should - it's scandalous that any Premiership club thinks it should be able to muscle-in and cherry-pick when it feels like it.

Everyone here has a right to feel let down ... but let's put Todd's ambitions in perspective. He won two championship medals as a player alongside Cambridge boss Roy MacFarland at Derby and obviously believes he is the man to "ram" the pride back into Pride Park. The pull was too great; like it was for Martin O'Neill to go to Celtic .. Leicester had a similar battle on their hands. But if he wants to leave, so be it. Me? I can't help asking what has Colin Todd really achieved in his short time in charge? Three years ago, I was a presenter at BBC Radio Cambridgeshire and often went to the Abbey Stadium to cheer the U's on. The fans were going through the same anxiety. Tommy Taylor had left for Orient and MacFarland took over. Eventually, he won the Abbey faithful over by developing a good side - unaffected by the departure of Trevor Benjamin to Leicester. What may happen if the contractual issue with Zema Abbey isn't sorted out, who knows. I hope both sides will put that all

behind them and deliver a good game - please God, with a consistent referee. I hope Andy King gets the performance he's looking for as caretaker manager. Forget talk of Colin Todd staying ... or possible replacements - Chris Kamara, Steve Cotterill or Kevin Keegan (just my little joke) ... for tonight, get behind the team.

Finally - welcome to my former colleague Trevor Peer from BBC Radio Cambridgeshire who'll be in the commentary box today. He has fond memories of the County Ground after exchanging a few "words" with Steve McMahon not so long ago. I believe they were not broadcast .....

#### Dan Chishelm

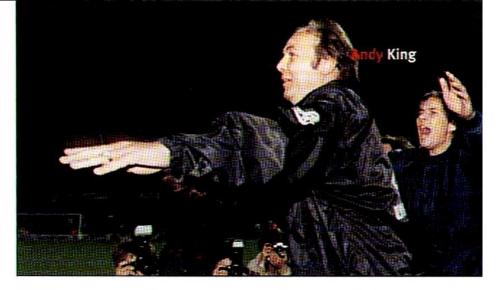
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The last week or so has been a difficult time for everyone at the club. But we must not forget that we are here to play football and so it is now up to me and Malcolm Crosby to deal with affairs on the field.



## Meet Andy King - Caretaker Boss



I must admit it is quite pleasing for me to get back into management, having started my managerial career at Mansfield Town.

I spent two-and-a-quarter years there and in my second season with them took them to the play-off final but unfortunately we didn't get promoted. Like most teams that get in that position I had to sell four players for in the region of £1.3m. The following season we finished 12th and the next I was sacked after just one game which told me it was for reasons other than football.

Following three years at Sunderland as a scout, the desire to get back working with players on a day-to-day basis was growing. That happened in the summer this year when I received a call from Colin Todd asking me if I would like to join his staff at Swindon Town. The lure of this club was too great to withstand, with it's history and ambition. Swindon is a growing town with a great deal of support for the club and it does know success. Personally it was a brave decision to leave Sunderland but I believe that I have made the right decision.

So far this season we have worked very hard to bring the squad together, unfortunately it has taken a little longer than we want and results have not gone our way.

We've been working very hard to build on and improve the squad but a player is not worth bringing in if is no better than what we already have.

I believe we have a squad that can compete in this division, it is just a matter of putting a bit of extra hard work on training ground so that things go our way on the pitch. We will continue to instil the beliefs that are very simple in footballing terms, to play attractive football in the right areas, relax on the ball and be creative - ideas that I believe we all grew up on.

The squad is still working hard together and I hope that we can start a run of results that will lift us away from the precarious position we find ourselves in.

#### Andy King Playing STATS...

Born: Luton 14th August, 1956.

League appearances:

Luton 1974-75, 30.

Everton 1975-79, 150.

QPR 1980-81,28.

WBA 1981, 21.

Everton 1982-83, 43.

Wolves 1984-85, 28.

Luton 1985, 3.

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League goals: 92.

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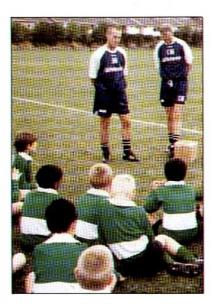
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Finally, lets hope we can get three points from tonight's game and start climbing up the table.

#### Until next time!

Best wishes, Clive, Jono and Luke







# Swindon's SOCCEP

Carrying on my notes from the last programme, I spoke about starting a new Soccer Centre in Tidworth.

I am delighted to announce that this Centre will be opening on Friday 10th November at the Tidworth Leisure Centre. We will be covering all the age groups in three hours on the night. The groups are as follows:

5-6 year-olds - 4.00pm - 5,00pm 7 - 8 year-olds - 5.00pm - 6.00pm 9 - 11 Year-olds - 6.00pm - 7.00pm.

If you would like more information then give me a call at the club on 01793 644777.

The half-term is over the Soccer Centres are up and running once again. I held a meeting at the club last

## Centres

week with all the coaches, we discussed ideas for what we could offer our Soccer

Centre members. Already this year we have offered 15% off the new kit. Hopefully we will do the same for the AWAY kit which will be on sale shortly.

Also, for the match against Stoke City on November 25th we will be giving all Soccer Centre members a free ticket to the game when accompanied by an adult.

Have a look at my notes in the next matchday programme for more information.

Enjoy today's game.

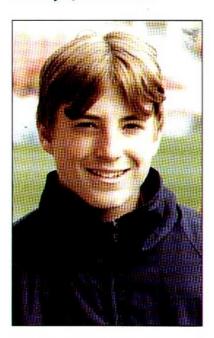
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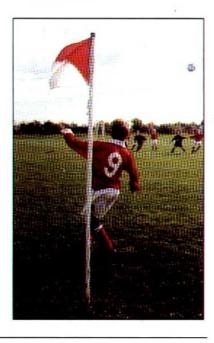
We hold these mini competitions every half-term and they've proved very successful. We had over 100 youngsters playing football and about 400 parents watching from the side lines. We had a lot of trialists playing for us as we try to assess their ability in a game situation. There was plenty of goals from all the teams involved in what was a very entertaining games program.

As I said last week we had Chris
Taylor included in the England U-15
Victory Shield squad and hoping he
took part in the game against
Northern Ireland. He was named sub
and got on with 15 minutes to go. He
didn't let himself down on or off the
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Phil Cannon Youth Development Officer



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## **Town Defeated By QPR**

It was another solid performance by the reserve team, but like in our game against Colchester, lack-lustre finishing cost us points but this time it was all three.

We had quite an experienced starting eleven and they all worked extremely hard to try and create something for the front two. We didn't cause their goalkeeper enough problems but on the day both teams failed to produce many clear-cut chances.

It looked like it was destined to end in a goal less draw but our concentration slipped and the opposition scored. To be fair to Rangers, they kept going and were patient even in the build-up for the goal. They worked the ball well into the box and there was nothing Steve Mildenhall could have done to keep out Brady's shot.

Until that point our defence had been

resolute for the previous 86 minutes with Sam Campagna, Mark Tuomela, Juan Cobian and Kim Heiselberg all playing their part. We deserved to get something out of the game but if you lose concentration, even slightly towards the end of a match then you often get punished.

It was only our third defeat this season so we won't get too upset but in future games we have to add that cutting edge to our play and punish teams when we get the chance.

Line-up: Mildenhall; Cobian; Heiselberg; Mills; Tuomela; Campagna; Duke; McHugh; Grazioli; Cowe; McAreavey. Subs. Hall; J Williams.



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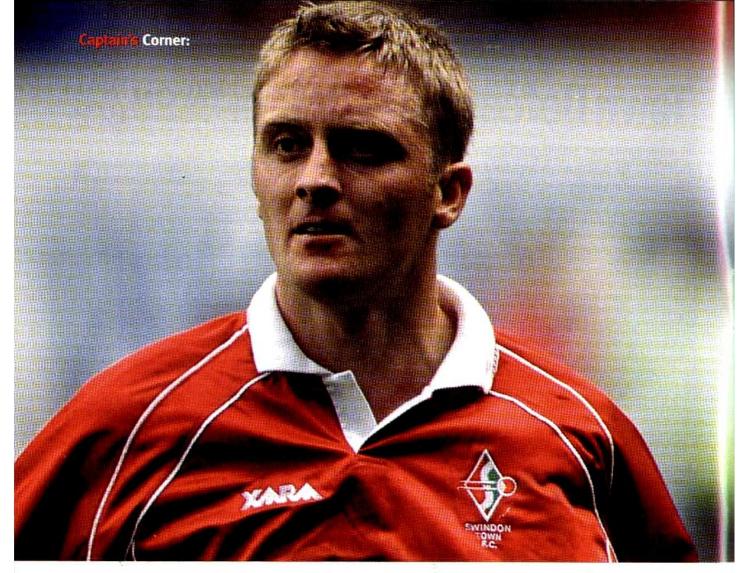
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Welcome to tonight's match, I hope you enjoy the game and we can get another home win under our belts.

Andy King gave me the captain's armband on Saturday against Notts County, I don't know whether it is a permanent thing, but if he gets the job full time then it might be.

Naturally, I'm well pleased that he has that sort of confidence in me.

The last match when Colin Todd was in charge I was dropped to the subs bench so you can imagine how good it felt to be given the captaincy before the match.

We are conceding too many goals at the moment and the disappointing thing about it is that teams are not having to work hard to break us down. We're gifting them goals by making a few individual errors at the back; lapses in concentration or rushes of blood to the head are costing us dear at the moment.

I thought that we played very well on Saturday against Notts County. We created enough chances to win the game 8-3, especially with the amount of chances we made in the second half. One reason for that was probably the inclusion of lan Woan in midfield. With no disrespect to the other lads, I think we needed a bit of experience in there. He still has a quality touch, gets the best out of those around him and definitely made a difference to the side.

Previously the whole team, with the exception of Robbo and myself who are the only players over 30, are in their early 20's, so we did need a bit more experience on the pitch just to help the team.

We're looking forward to having another crack at it against Cambridge this evening. Hopefully we can create as many chances as last Saturday but this time put a few away. If we do that then we have to make sure cut out the individual errors at the back. With three quick matches at home this could really make a difference to our season. Even a couple of wins would give us so much confidence to go out and attack teams and, like on Saturday, confident that the chances will fall for us. At the moment we seem to be chasing games so if we can get an early goal we might see a totally different game. It was certainly the case when we did that last season.

I was enjoying being top-goal scorer, I was giving some of the other lads a bit of stick about it but now Danny has just gone ahead. I had a couple of chances against County but I wasn't able to put them in the back of the net.

Hopefully I can get back in front in tonight's game!

# the verdict from the loss at Meadow Lane

## How they saw it

## National www.Teamtalk.com

Two goals from Danny Invincible were not enough to deny County a rare home victory.

County took the lead on twelve minutes when Sean Farrell headed into the top left hand corner. Swindon equalised when Danny Invincible spanked home a juicy half volley. Craig Ramage fired County ahead as he converted Dennis Pearce's astute cut back from the left only for Invincible to equalise again. The winner came from the penalty spot after David Josephs was floored by Sol Davis.

#### Home www.norris-family.freeserve.co.uk

Swindon had a lot of the possession early on only for Notts County to score first, coming from a free kick with Farrell heading the ball into the back of the net.

Eight minutes later Swindon had the ball in the back of the net, but it was ruled out for offside. In total command of the game Swindon finally equalised through Invincibile.

County struck again when Ramage tapped Pearce's low cross home. Invincibile nipped in at the back post to blast the ball home from close range to make it 2-2. With 20 minutes remaining County took the lead. The Swindon defence failed to clear a free-kick and in the ensuing cavalcade eight players tried to kick lumps out of each other; Davis felled Joseph. Joesph stepped up to make it 3-2.

#### Away www.nottscountyfc.co.uk

On twelve minutes, a long free-kick from Ian Hamilton was met beautifully by the number 18, rising above his marker to head the ball straight into the corner.

Swindon equalised when slack marking by Andy McDermott allowed Invincibile to score. Notts first real passing move resulted in the second goal, Pearce crossong for Ramage to slide in. Swindon equalised quickly after the break, a corner going straight past Gibson, and Invincible was there to score his second. County's winner came when Joseph was brought down, and stepped up to take the penalty. Whilst it was not the most convincing effort, Griemink could only flap at the ball.



## Managers' views...



"I am happy to continue in this capacity while the whole thing is sorted out and the rest is up to the chairman. "We played well at times against

Notts County and, when we came back to 2-2, I thought we could go on and win."

andy King

Andy King speaking after his first game in charge of the Robins.



"We showed good character to go on and win the match after Swindon had pegged us back on two occaisons. We should have killed the game

off earlier but saying that we did well to hold out towards the end and I was pleased with the result."

jocky Scott was glad to take all three points after his side held out in the final stages.

# **Jocky Scott**



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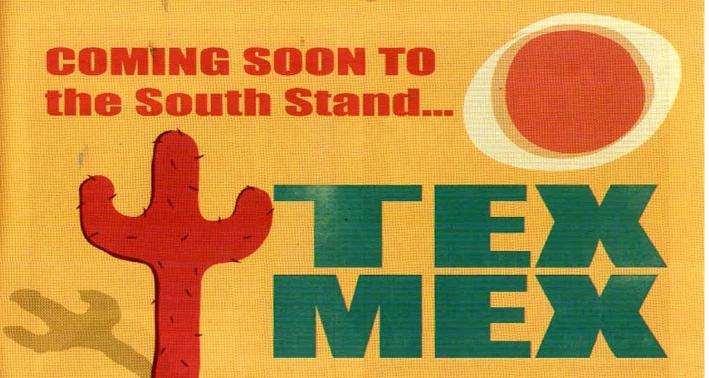
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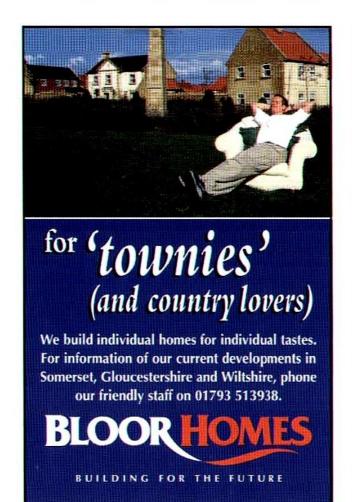
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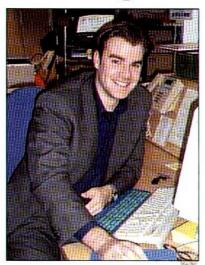
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All sorts of shenanigans at the County Ground in the last seven days. Much has been said and a lot of water has passed under the bridge.



## Finding Out About Cambridge...



Andy King of course is in charge of team affairs and I would like to wish him all the best. "Kingy" is a top bloke, he's always full of one liners, a nightmare to interview, he puts the questions back at you, and lets just say he's likes to have his say whilst other interviews are going on.

Memories of different matches and teams always come flooding back, for example, think Birmingham City, and no doubt you'll remember the Easter Bank Holiday miracles in 1993, when Town rose form the dead at 4-1 down to win 6-4. Think about Leicester City, and surely it's that Wembley triumph of the same

year. I could go on... Anyway my point? Well what about today's visitors, Cambridge United? What are your memories of them?

Lets turn the clock back to the early 1990's and the U's were firing up the divisions thanks to John Beck's crazy and masochistic ideas. Chewed up pitches, illuminous coloured hoardings in the corners and cold showers and buckets of water being thrown over Dion Dublin and co. It may sound odd, but it worked, two successive promotions and a FA Cup quarter final, a narrow defeat at Highbury. Where did it all go wrong? It seems they were found out.

Their trip to the County Ground in January 1992 was a bizarre one at that. Manager Glenn Hoddle together with groundsman Geoff Warren came up with a devious plan, after half a season of Cambridge bringing around 20 plus players on to opposition pitches to 'train' it seemed that many perfect playing surfaces weren't so perfect after the U's players had stampeded across like herds of buffaloes. Messrs. Hoddle and Warren made them warm up on the County Ground extension and not the pitch - they were found out. I

remember the U's fans 'hilariously' saying "Does this stand turn and face the other way?" However, unfortunately they were the ones laughing that day after a 2-0 win.

But revenge was oh so sweet, a fortnight later Town went to the Abbey Stadium and spanked in three goals without reply in the third round of the FA Cup, with Duncan Shearer bagging a brace. That all led to an FA Cup 5th Round tie with Aston Villa at the County Ground and a worldwide audience watching us live on Match of the Day, but that's another story. Cambridge finished the season in the play-offs, but a 5-1 second leg defeat to Leicester at the Abbey put paid to their Premiership dreams. The following season, they were relegated and Mr Beck received his P45. · they were found

Let's hope Andy King's Red and White Army can find Cambridge out today.

Enjoy the game... Come on YOU REDS

Kieran Holden Matchday Announcer



## The lads were very disappointed in the dressing room after the Millwall game.

Once again, like Saturday, we thought we had done ok and the score didn't reflect on our performance. The first goal was very unfortunate. Bart did well to even save the initial shot but for them to react quicker than us was very disappointing. Unfortunately for me, as a defender, I missed the ball leading up to the first goal but I just have to work hard at my game and put that mistake behind me.

We had some good opportunities and we were a little bit unlucky not to get a penalty. In my eyes the Millwall goalkeeper made contact with Andy Williams and he should not have received his second booking and subsequent red card. The referee decided to put his foot on the game, stamp some kind of

authority and let everybody know he was there which was why he sent him off. I don't believe that it was the best decision but in fairness to the referee it was a difficult game to handle, there was a lot of hustle and bustle. In my point of view he made some good decisions and also some very bad ones.

Millwall came here flying high at the top of the league and I had heard a lot about them but there wasn't much between the sides in the first half. I honestly believe that we were the better side which is something that we can build on, but at the end of the day they go home laughing on the team coach and we have no points from the game. To give a goal away just before half time was particularly disappointing for us. We have gone behind too early in too many games and it would make such a big difference to go a goal ahead, we just have to eliminate the

personal mistakės that are costing us games.

In the second half when we went down to ten men we battled very hard which was pleasing. I think that is all you can do in that situation, just try and fight for every ball and win as much as possible.

We all did that and really made it difficult for them. Up until the second goal I thought we were still in with a shout. We were desperately unlucky not to get that equaliser but that is football.

I managed to pick up a black eye at some stage in the game! I am not too sure where it came from and who gave it to me but, like I said, there was a lot of tussling going on. They were very difficult to deal with upfront, very pacy and very big. They are a side who rely on the break and do it very well.



They have some good strikers with good movement but I think for most of the game we handled them ok.

It was very good for me to get back into the starting line-up after a long spell waiting in reserve. One thing that encourages me was that another club had come in for me earlier on in the season and Swindon would not let me go. That gave me a bit of confidence and I was grateful for my chance tonight. I came over here from Holland to play, but sometimes you do have to wait for opportunities and that is football. I want to play for Swindon Town Football Club, I think it is a club that has a lot of ambition and great potential, we just have to make it work. When you spend a lot of time sitting on the bench watching the game it can be very frustrating but I have worked very hard in training and in the reserves just waiting for my chance. Now all I can hope for is to stay in the team for as long as possible but that is up to the gaffer.

I think a bit of regular football will help me to settle in. Also my girlfriend is coming over very soon and I am very happy about that. I think it is very important to have somebody near you who supports you all the way.

Tonight we play Cambridge and I am hoping that we can play like we did against Millwall but just work a little bit harder. After all, Millwall are one of the top sides and so if we can apply that performance and perhaps get a lead then things might go our way. People talk about our lack of goals but I am sure that the situation in front of goal will change. We still need to tighten up at the back as well so as a team we have to work that little bit harder in training. All it takes is one or two

goals to get the confidence going and it would be great to do it at home to give the fans something to shout about.













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The dreadful, debilitating economic Depression of the 1930's had little impact on the style and standard of football programmes.

Clubs continued to produce fairly substantial 1d or 2d issues, and they appeared to include as many advertisements as before, suggesting that programme revenue did not suffer the same fate as the rest of the economy. In terms of the quality and quantity of issues, the advances of the previous decade were consolidated and programmes changed little between 1930 and 1939. Pre-war programmes from the North East of England are notoriously difficult to obtain today, but the Sunderland 1930's programmes were substantial 12 page productions with a splash of red ink on the front cover of an otherwise black-and-white issue. In common with most clubs at the time, there were no match details on the cover, simply the name of the club and a crest or logo; but the major part of the front page was

devoted to an advertisement. These, presumably expensive, adverts were invariably for well known local industries or enterprises. In Sunderland's case it was for Vaux Beers. Newcastle United also issued an excellent pre-war programme, comprising 16 pages, printed dark grey on white paper. A sketch of two footballers shared club details at the top of the cover, which was dominated by an advert for the Sunday Sun newspaper. The Sheffield clubs issued handsome programmes of contrasting styles. Wednesday abandoned their long-standing small size with team lines on the front, to produce a splendid large page edition with a striking sketch of Hillsborough's main stand on the front cover. Sheffield United favoured a smaller size, in 16 pages, with red and white stripes on the cover and an aerial sketch of Bramall Lane showing the old cricket pitch and pavilion. Fairly brief programmes were favoured by some of the top clubs - West Ham

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and Tottenham shared a similar style, with a very large folded sheet. There were few if any adverts, type-size was very small with plenty of reading crammed in, and the price was an undemanding 1d; but it remains a surprise to see such prominent clubs issue such brief programmes. Chelsea were scarcely better - albeit they put their name to 8 pages. In the Capital, it was Arsenal who produced by far the most impressive pre-war programme, with a 16 page edition that sported a deep red card cover advertising Highbury's enviable local transport links.













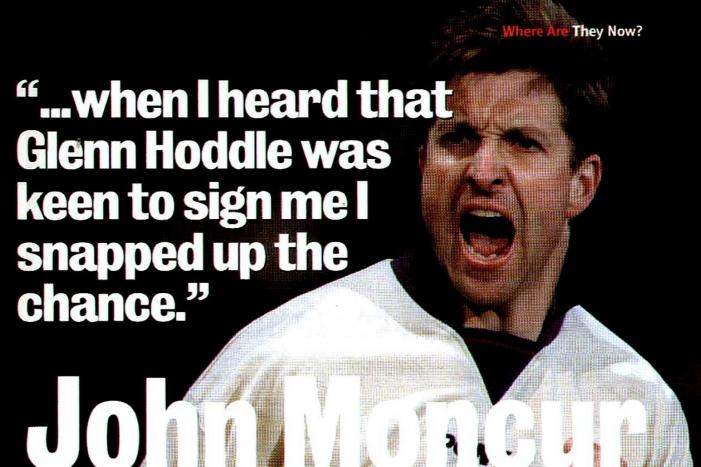












In true Cantona fashion, John Moncur used to confidently swagger around the pitch with his collar turned up.

The cockney-born central midfielder revitalised his career here at the County Ground playing an integral part of the midfield quartet in 1992-93. Having impressed during our season in the top flight and proved himself as a Premiership player, Moncur moved on to pastures new, signing for £900, 000 at West Ham under Harry Redknap.

John Moncur started life at Spurs, joining the White Hart Lane club from school and was signed on deadline day by Hoddle in 1992-93: "I thought I could make it at Spurs but when I heard that Glenn Hoddle was keen to sign me I snapped up the chance."

His first season at the club was riddled with inury and he was out of the side for long periods. His second term was far more succesful and he was, for many games, the best player on the park, especially towards the end of the season. One of Moncur's

most inspiring performances in the red and white came in the play off semi-final away at Tranmere. With the side looking tired from a difficult and disappointing end of season run-in, Moncur got himself on the score sheet and bossed the midfield.

Unfortunately, Swindon's season in the top flight had put his talents in the shop window and, with the advent of Town's relegation, he left like many others.

Still, Moncur had proved not only to himself but many others, including Harry Redknap, that he could play alongside and against the best players in the land.

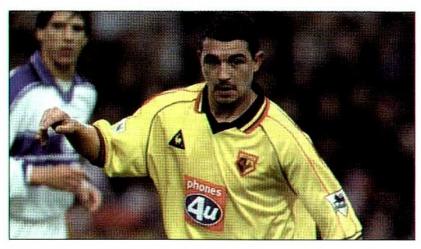
Now, in his mid thirties, the reliable West Ham midfielder would contest the claim that he is coming towards the end of his career. He still plays an important role for the club, with his tremendous work rate and combative approach an asset to the side. Moncur displays passes that Hoddle would be proud of but Moncur is also still scoring goals, his best a 25-yard effort against Bradford.



# Abbey to leave Abbey

Rising star Zema Abbey could be on his way out of Cambridge following a breakdown in contract negotiations.

The £15,000 bargain buy from Hitchin was dropped against Northampton but is rated by many in the £500,000 bracket. McFarland, disappointed with the youngster has relegated him to the reserves. "Zema Abbey has let down everybody at the club," he said, "himself, his team mates and certainly the supporters. "I can only suspect there is something going on behind our backs..."



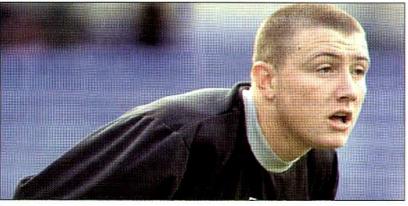
## **Miller To Sting Hornets**

Second Division Wigan are set to sign midfielder Charlie Miller from Watford after he impressed during a trial match.

The 24-year-old Glaswegian appeared for the Latics reserves in a 2-1 win over Sheffield United on Wednesday, after being granted permission to play by Hornets boss Graham Taylor.

Miller joined Watford for £350,000 from Rangers last season, but has

failed to force his way into Taylor's plans this term, making only one appearance in the Worthington Cup. Miller burst onto the scene as a teenager at Rangers, making more than 100 appearances before losing his way after being displaced byGazza



## Smith Next To Eye Paddy

Everton manager Walter Smith was in the crowd at Gigg Lane last Tuesday - fuelling rumours that he is looking to buy Bury keeper Paddy Kenny.

Kenny is known to have a lot of admirers among the Premiership Managers (inlcuding Highbury boss Arsene Wenger) and he is thought to have been the man Smith was watching. It adds to a rumour which has been doing the rounds for some time that Everton are keen on the 22-year-old

Yorkshireman. Bury have conceded 12 goals in their last four games, but Kenny's reputation does not appear to have suffered. Everton are known to be looking for goalkeeping cover, since Thomas Myhre has no future at Goodison Park and Steve Simonsen has not lived up to expectations.





## **Cherry Picker**

West Ham starlet Jermaine DeFoe, scorer of the Hammers winner against Walsall in the League Cup earlier this season, has chosen to join Second Division Bournemouth on loan.

West Ham boss Harry Redknapp has allowed the 18-year-old to temporarily leave Upton Park hoping that the youngster will gain some valuable first team experience while at Redknapp's former club on the south coast. Hammers Youth Coach Tony Carr is confident the move will be beneficial to DeFoe. He said: "He had a taste of the big time when he scored at Walsall but I think he will find this very different. It might take him a game or two to bed in. Harry is a great believer in pushing boys on and exposing them as high a level as they can cope."



## **Just Silly**

Injury-hit Walsall winger Darren Wrack was nursing a sore head after falling off his crutches when the lights went out at Bescot Stadium.

Wrack, who suffered an ankle injury at the weekend, cut his head and needed stitches inserted after stumbling downstairs at Tuesday night's game with Stoke. Wrack had been a spectator at the match and lost his balance when the stadium was plunged into temporary darkness with floodlight failure.

#### Sick Swan

Rokin' Robin's rival in the Mascot Grand National race last month, Cyril the Swan has lost his tribunal case for unfair dismissal against his club Swansea.

Well, actually, one of the men behind Cyril, head groundsman Chris Parsons left a job after 13 years to work for the club, but was made redundant in April this year after bigger than projected losses resulted in cuts.





#### Jimmy Mc Coming Back

Jimmy McIntyre, Reading's out of favour striker has been rewarded after his recent good run of form by being taken off the transfer list by Royals' boss Alan Pardew.

The former Scotland B international's days at the Madejski Stadium looked to be numbered last season after he was told he was free to leave the club.

Pardew said: "I've decided to take Jimmy off the transfer list because he has shown a real improvement in consistency. I spoke to him when I put him on it and told him the reasons why I had done it, but he has answered all those questions and his attitude has been first-class."

#### **Baptiste of Fire**

Luton Town boss Ricky Hill will include Baptiste in his squad for Saturday's Kenilworth Road clash with Wrexham.

Rocky Baptiste has signed on a short-term contract until the end of the season with Luton Town. Hatters boss, Ricky Hill signed Rocky from Conference side Hayes. Rocky is known as the Kanu of Conference. Hill said: "People have likened him to Kanu and he's got nice feet and good technique."

# anScene

Town's show yer colours is back!



Pictured above is Ken MacKenzie from Kintbury, this time he's in Singapore. He is stood 'Showing His Colours' in front of a 'Merlion in Singapore harbour.

More Next Week!



Here is Roger Malone 'Showing His Colours' in Yellowstone Park, Usa. He is pictured in fron of world famous geyser, Old Faithful in full eruption. Is this an authentic picture Mr Malone?

#### **Guess Who?**



It's Halloween and it's getting very scary at the County Ground, especially for one player. But who is it?



### Swindon Town Look-a-Likes

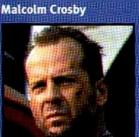
Here are two of our favourite look-a-likes, send in your suggestions to us at PIA Sport, The Litten, Newtown Rd, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 7BB...



Gene Wilder

**Bruce Willis** 

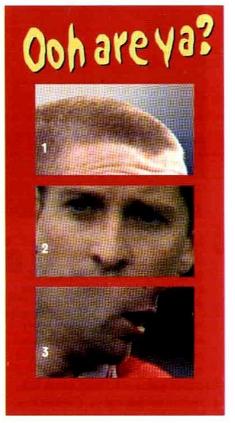




Andy King

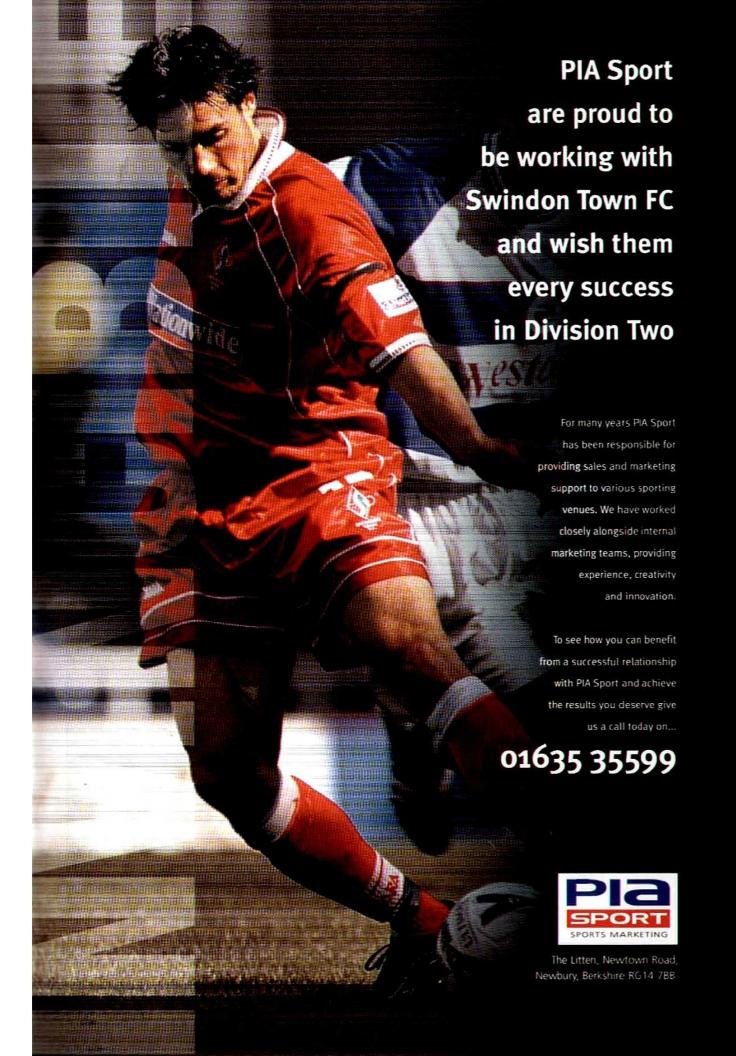
The loveable Gene Wilder. star of See No Evil, Hear No Evil and our very own Assistant Team Coach Malcom Crosby.





week, Wrexhams Kevin Russell. Guess Who?: Kim Heiselberg

Answers: Ooh are ya: 1. Bury keeper Paddy Kenny (take a look at the issues Div 2 review) 2. John Moncut 3. will be playing here next



## **Ladies Derby Defeat**

The Town lost their first game of the season when they were beaten by two goals to nil at home by Bristol Rovers.

The Town started well but Rovers went ahead in their first real attack of the game. The game became a rather dour midfield struggle with few chances at either end. Midway through the second half Rovers scored again to secure the points. The win keeps Rovers on top of the South West Combination League whereas the Town have dropped to fourth. The Town reserves continue to win and score plenty of goals. They beat Didcot Town by ten goals to nil in the Southern Region League. Midfielder Sandy Dillon got four, Hayley Huckin got a hat-trick with the other goals coming from Denise Warbutton. Michelle Rich and an own goal.

On Sunday the Town played
Wimborne Town from the Dorset
County League in the first round
proper of the "AXA" Women's FA Cup.
Prior to the first round there are
preliminary rounds. Teams from the
County and Regional Leagues take
part. The Town and other Combination
League sides are exempt until the first
round. Teams from the National
League join the competition at round
three and Premier League teams
come in at round four. There are six
rounds followed by two semi finals
and a final to be played next May.

#### Roger Reeves

Fixtures 2000/2001								
3rd	Sept	Bristol City	3-3					
10th	Sept	Clevedon Town	3-0					
17th	Sept	Oxford United	A					
24th	Sept	Saltash Pilgrims	5-0					
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25th	Oct	Southampton	6-2					
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Swindon Town	7	4	2	1	23	9	14
PORTSMOUTH	6	4	0	2	11	6	12
BRISTOL CITY	7	2	2	3	14	13	8
SALTASH PMS	6	2	1	3	6	16	7
CLEVEDON TN	6	1	2	3	8	13	5
DENHAM UTD	7	1	1	5	11	18	4
SOUTHAMPTON	5	1	0	4	4	18	3
READING LADIES	7	0	2	5	13	20	2
OXFORD UTD	5	0	0	5	4	16	0



# Matches from Memory

By Dick Mattick



An away match against a team in your own Division is perhaps one of the least desirable cup draws. This was the draw Swindon were faced with in the 1991-92 season when the Fourth Round saw them drawn away to Cambridge United.

To make matters worse, Cambridge, who had reached the Sixth Round in the previous two seasons, had already defeated the Town twice in their Division Two fixtures; 3-2 at the Abbey Stadium in August and 2-0 at the County Ground only two weeks before the Cup tie. Swindon also went into the tie without Nicky Hammond, who at the time was being preferred in goal to Fraser Digby, and Steve White who had a trapped nerve in his back.

John Beck's long ball approach had been harshly criticised in many quarters and, given Glenn Hoddle's reputation for attractive football, the clash was very much seen as beauty v the beast. Cambridge had an excellent opportunity to take the lead in the ninth minute but Dion Dublin shot over the bar from only two yards out. Play was held up for a considerable period after a nasty clash of heads between Colin Calderwood and United striker John Taylor. It was Cambridge that were left with a headache for, in the time added on for this stoppage, Calderwood scrambled home a corner from Micky Hazard prompting a 'fly past' celebration from the former Spurs midfielder.

Five minutes into the second half, Phil Chapple brought down Fitzroy In the season of 1991/92 Swindon had already faced Division Two rivals Cambridge United twice in the league. They also drew them in the F.A. Cup...

Simpson just outside the box and with Cambridge expecting a direct shot, a neat chip by Paul Bodin found Duncan Shearer whose half volley found the corner of the net. Only two minutes later a crossfield pass by Martin Ling, who had an excellent game in midfield, found

#### "...the clash was very much seen as beauty v the beast..."

Shearer on the edge of the area and the Scotsman cracked home his 26th goal of the season off the underside of the bar. Why was there such a transformation between the results of the matches between the teams just two weeks apart? Perhaps Assistant Town Manager John Gorman had the answer. He considered Town over-trained for the first match being anxious to match Cambridge's legendary running abilities and in the week before the Cup match had been given an extra day off. It certainly did the trick for not only did it bring victory but was picked out by England boss Graham Taylor as the Barclays Bank



Performance of the Week and won £650 for a local boys' club.

John Beck in his programme notes for the game, reflecting on a recent poor run of results, had quoted Mark Twain, "a few fly bites cannot stop a spirited horse" but reporter James Mossop observed after the game that Beck's nag was savaged in this match. Town Manager Hoddle got his wish for a big team at home in Round Five but after a spirited televised encounter Town went down to Aston Villa.

#### Teams:

Swindon: Digby, Kerslake, Bodin, Ling, Calderwood, Taylor, Hazard, Shearer, Simpson, Maclaren and Mitchell.

Cambridge: Vaughan, Fensome, Kimble, Bailie, Chappell, Daish, Cheetham, Wilkins, Dublin (Dennis). Taylor (Rowett) and Heaney.





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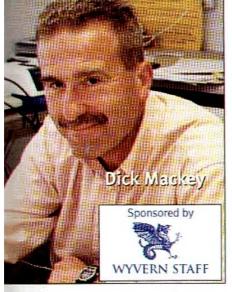
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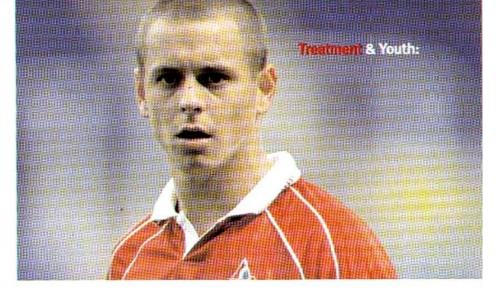
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# **Davies Climbing Recovery Ladder**

Matty Hewlett is still a bit sore after his operation but he started some weight baring exercises last week.

There is still a bit of swelling around the knee so he hasn't been doing a great deal with his leg apart from some very conservative work in the swimming pool. Matty has been doing some upper body work in the gym but we need to get him pain free and keep the swelling down before we can move on.

Gareth Davies, we hope, will be doing some technical work with the ball this week. Last week we really stepped up his fitness, running up hill and down dale. He has already done some work with the ball but we need to build on that. I don't want to speculate about any return to full training, at the moment we're looking at it in terms of one step up the ladder. After every rung if there is no reaction to that then we can move up one but that is all.

Gary Alexander's condition improved towards the end of last week and had a very good day on Thursday. He managed to do his first piece of running on his ankle up at Lawns albeit at a very gentle pace. He did a little more running with the first team when they came in for a warm up and then went on to do a good circuit in the gym as well. He should be there or there abouts for the match against Cambridge on Tuesday night but I can't be certain of that at present.

Sam Campagna sprained his ankle in the reserve match on Wednesday afternoon. It's not too bad but he has reported in to me and we'll treat that accordingly.

# **FA Cup Joy for Youths**

## The Youth team played against Plymouth Argyle last Tuesday in the Second Round of the F.A.

Youth Cup at Home Park. The Town ran out 4-o winners with goals from Josh Thomas, Alan Young (2) and Phil Scarlett. Our lads romped home to what was a very convincing performance.

If I've had a problem with the boy's in the past it is that we haven't started the match at the right tempo and competing early and earning the right to play. This they did at Plymouth and got their rewards for doing so - going 3-o up by half-time.

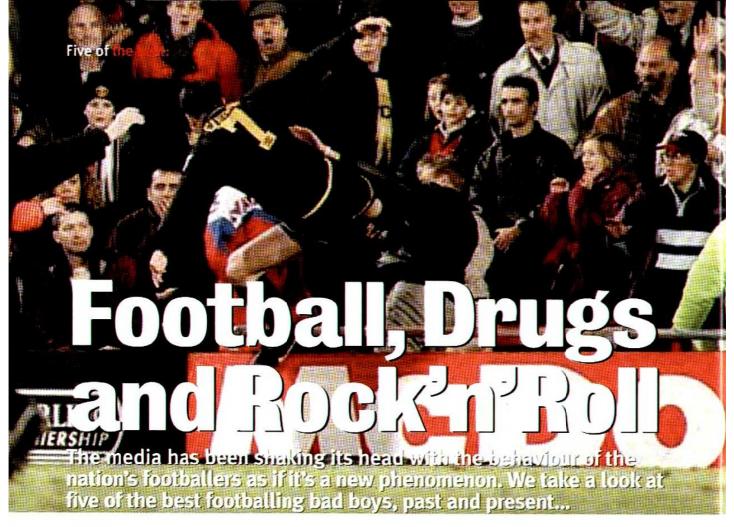
Once again they started the second

half in a similar vein, scoring another soon after the break and effectively killed the tie off.

In the next round we play Woking F.C. who have progressed through the qualifying rounds to earn a place in the third round proper. They visit the County Ground on Wednesday 8th November kicking off at 7.3opm. This is a great opportunity for those who are unable to watch on Saturday mornings to come out, have a look at the future of Swindon Town FC and support our lads. I know they would really appreciate your support.

#### Under 19s Fixtures 2000/2001

Sat	19th Aug	Exeter City	Н	2.0
Sat	26th Aug	Torquay Utd	A	
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Sat	9th Sept	<b>Bristol Rovers</b>	Α	0-1
Sat	23rd Sept	Swansea City	A	0-1
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Sat	13th Jan	Cirencester A.	Α	
Sat	20th Jan	Swansea City	Н	
Sat	3rd Feb	Plymouth A.	A	
Sat	10th Feb	Cardiff City	Н	



Jimmy Gauld Match Fixing

Jimmy Gauld is best remembered for his post career antics, with national notoriety for exposing match fixing.

Here he showed himself a total double crosser, for having betrayed the fans by fixing matches he sold out his accomplices for the Sunday People's thirty pieces of silver, or to be more accurate £7,000. His confession eventually led to his own conviction for match fixing. Sentencing him at Nottingham Crown Court, Judge Lawton described Gauld as having been responsible for the ruin of the careers of John Kay and Peter Swan as well as his former Swindon colleague Layne. He further said that he must pass a sentence which made it clear to all branches of sport that match fixing was a serious crime. Gauld was fined £5,000 and given four years imprisonment.

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



Eric Cantona Violent

Despite being one of the greatest players to grace the Premier League in the last decade, Frenchman Eric Cantona will arguably be best remembered for his off the ball antics.

In France, Cantona's fiery temper was legendary, with a ball being thrown at the officials or a shirt at his own manager the norm. His behaviour followed him to England and Manchester in particular. His disciplinary record was blemished to say the least, one of his many sendings offs occurring here at the County Ground when he vicously stamped on cockney midfielder, John Moncur.

Cantona's finest moment (which largely finished his career in England) was a dramatic fly-kick aimed at one of the Palace supporters at Selhurst Park.



Peter Storey Miscellaneous

The former Arsenal player went 'off the rails' when his career finished. Not content with being out of the limelight for events on the pitch, Storey became emblazoned across the back pages for his countless exploits off it.



In the late 70's and early 80's, the famous footballer Peter Storey endured a dramatic loss of form which was largely attributed to his private life. Peter had already won nearly every major honour with the Highbury club until he began a rock'n'roll

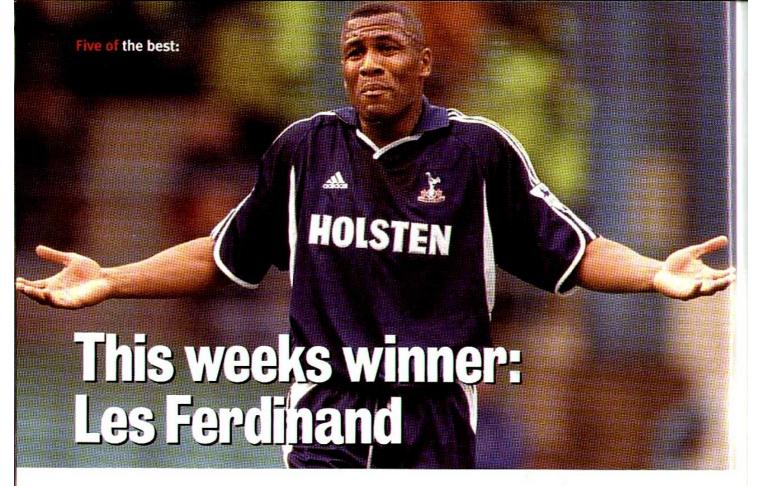
lifestyle including a battle with booze, women and over spending, culminating in a lengthy period behind bars. Towards the end of his career (he was still playing at this stage) Storey was fined nearly a thousand pounds and a six month sentence for operating a brothel in Leyton was slapped upon him. He was later jailed again for financing a counterfeit scam. Amongst Storey's other list of misdemeanours was stealing cars, smuggling obscene videos into the country and swearing at traffic wardens. Storey wouldn't appear to regret his behaviour, despite wasting the precious talent that he had: "Football is just a distraction, the game's really about the drunken parties, the orgies, the birds and the fabulous money."

Diego Maradona Miscellaneous

What can be said about the Argentinian, who, whilst gifted with two of the most talented feet to play football, decided to indulge in a life of drugs, prostitutes and needless violence.

Diego Maradona was arguably one of the greatest footballers of all time with a majestic left foot that mocked the English defence in the 1986 World Cup in Mexico. In one of the most memorable goals ever scored, Maradona beat the whole England team before slotting past Peter Shilton. This had followed the infamous 'Hand of God' goal in which Maradona beat Shilton to a dubious 'back-pass' from Terry Fenwick with his hand.

More recently, Maradona's off the pitch antics has landed him jail sentences, not to mention a few extra pounds in weight. Having been banned from the beautiful game, the controverisal Argentinian was then put behind bars for nearly three years for firing a rifle at journalists, not to mention his narcotic habits and tendency to over indulge on the beverages. He had also been called up for being caught with a variety of prostitutes (many in some state of undress) in a hotel room.



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## Les Ferdinand et al Vandalism

Tottenham striker Les Ferdinand would have you believe that butter wouldn't melt in his mouth but that wasn't the case when he was a nipper (well, fifteen to be exact!)

Les Ferdinand wins this week's five of the best with an abominable display of vandalism when he 'allegedly' wrecked the Blue Peter garden. The injury prone forward has admitted he was part of the gang that famously wrecked the popular children's TV show Blue Peter's garden 17 years ago. The garden, regularly tended to by Blue Peter presenters such as John Noakes live on air, was completely trashed and led to a public outcry. The England player, 15 at the time, says he helped a friend get over a wall into the garden.

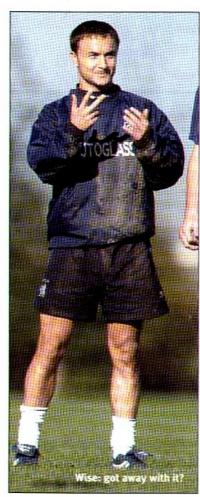
"It was years ago and we were just kids," Ferdinand told Saturday's edition of The Sun." I didn't do anything other than help a few people over a wall. There's nothing more to it. It was just a bit of fun."

The former QPR and Newcastle forward also revealed Chelsea skipper Dennis Wise was a member of the same gang - but denied the England midfielder took part in the vandalism of the Blue Peter garden.

A spokesman for Wise said: "Dennis was certainly not involved and had nothing whatsoever to do with it. He told me he didn't even know where the Blue Peter garden was."

Blue Peter bosses are said to be studying a tape of the interview before deciding whether to take action. Police said they were

duty-bound to act on new information but any decision on a full probe would also be based on the seriousness of the offence and the likelihood of a conviction.





## V Wycombe Wanderers Football Club

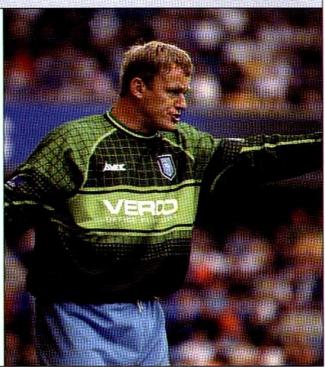
#### (AWAY) Saturday 4th November 3.00pm

Picture: Martin Taylor

In his first full season in charge Lawrie Sanchez gave Wycombe Wanderers a new confidence and direction.

A good win in the Worthington Cup saw Wanderers win 4-1 at Molineux. They came within a whisker of knocking out West Brom in round two, falling to a Lee Hughes winner. But it was the results in Division Two that saw a big improvement from the previous season, the home form brought better results with the team becoming more difficult to beat. The final league position of twelfth and 61 points represented the best finish since Martin O'Neill collected 78 points with sixth place in 1995-96.

This season Wycombe have exceeded all expectations and currently occupy a promotion spot. After a couple of disappointing results including a bruising defeat against Reading, Lawrie Sanchez's men have returned to form.





#### V Wrexham Football Club

#### (HOME) Tuesday 7th November 7.45pm

Picture: Kevin Russell



An excellent run of form towards the end of the campaign lifted Wrexham clear of danger and Brian Flynn's side eventually finished in 11th position.

Flynn strengthened his side in the summer by bringing in Trinidadian internationals Hector Sam and Carlos Edwards, but there was a disappointing start to the season as the Robins crashed to a 2-0 home defeat against Bristol City, setting the tone for the Robins' early season had been set as defeat continued to follow victory.

A convincing 3-1 win against Oldham was followed three days later by a 3-1 reverse against Rotherham, and Flynn's side recovered from a home defeat against Walsall to record a 2-1 victory at Bournemouth.

Gaining consistency seems to be the key for the Robins, who have failed to build on their successes and as a result are hovering around the middle of the table rather than challenging for a play-off position.



# **Box Office**



Up-to-date ticket information for forthcoming matches, home and away.

#### HOME v Wycombe Wanderers Football Club v FA Cup 1st Round Saturday 4th November 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two fixture at the County Ground. Tickets for all home games are now on general sale.

#### Matchday Prices From:

Adults: £15 - £18 Concessions: £8 - £10

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#### **HOMEv Stoke City Football Club** Saturay 25th November 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two fixture at the County Ground. Tickets for all home games are now on general sale.

#### Matchday Prices From:

£15 - £18 Adults: Concessions: £8 - £10 luniors:

£4-£5



#### **AWAY v Peterborough United Football Club** Saturday 11th November 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two fixture at London Road, No. ticket details available yet.

#### Matchday Prices From:

Adults: £tbc Concessions: £tbc £tbc Juniors:



#### **AWAYy Northampton Town Football Club** Saturay 2nd December 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two fixture away at the Sixfields Stadium. No ticket details available yet.

#### Matchday Prices From:

Adults: £ tbc Concessions: £tbc Juniors:



## **Box Office Opening Times**

Monday - Friday\_\_\_ Saturday (non-matchdays) \_\_\_\_\_\_10.00am - 4.00pm Saturday (matchdays) \_\_ 9.00am - Half Time \_\_ 9.ooam - Half Time Midweek (matchdays)

Tickets for home matches go on general sale four weeks before the match.

Telephone: 01793 333777 Fax: 01793 333780

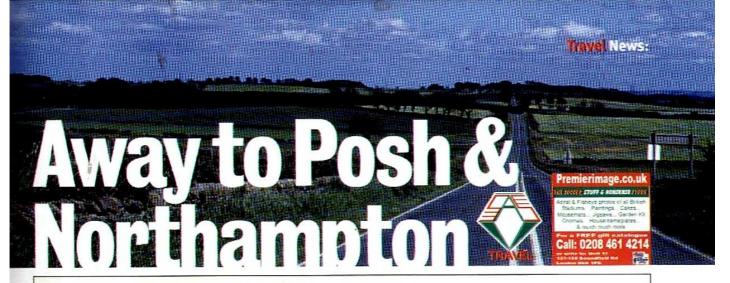


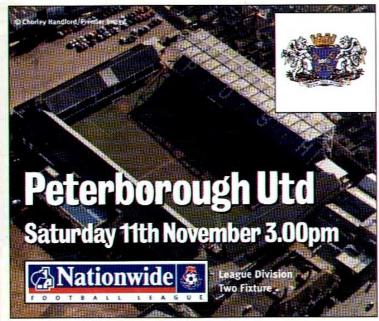












#### **Travel Information**

Peterborough Utd Football Club, London Road

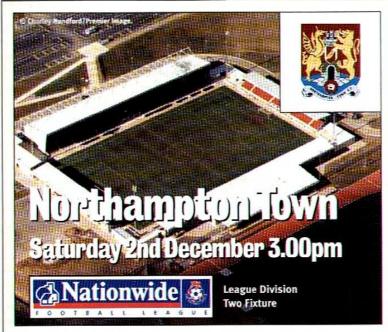
Ground Capacity: 15, 675
Club Nickname: The Posh



Adult Fare: £10 U-15 Fare: £9

Supporters' Club Members receive a £1 discount on fares.

Depart COUNTY GROUND: 10.00
Depart ERMIN STREET: 10.15
Depart WEST SWINDON: 09.45



#### **Travel Information**

Northampton Town Football Club, Sixfields Stadium

Ground Capacity: 7, 653
Club Nickname: The Cobblers



Adult Fare: £8 U-15 Fare: £7

Supporters' Club Members receive a 50p discount on fares.

Depart COUNTY GROUND: 11.00
Depart ERMIN STREET: 11.15
Depart WEST SWINDON: 10.45

- · All major credit or debit cards accepted
- Hostess service hot/cold drinks and light refreshments
- · All coaches non-smoking
- . Statutory NO ALCOHOL rule applies

COUNTY GROUND BOOKING OFFICE (Old Club Shop, off County Road)

Tel: (01793) 536757 Open: Tue, Weds & Thurs:

10.00am - 2.00pm, Thursday evenings 7.00pm - 9.00pm & Saturday matchdays 1.30pm - 2.45pm other matchdays from 2 hours before K.O.

24hr Information Service Tel: (01793) 825935

# Proud to support our ocal team



# **Junior Robins**

Our lucky Junior Robins mascot for the Millwall game on Tuesday 24th October was RICHIE SMITH. Richie had a great evening with us.

Once again we would say to all of you out there between the ages of o-15. If you have not registered yet as a JUNIOR ROBIN just look at what you are missing, listed below are some of the away games which have been booked for Juniors to enjoy.

Brentford January 20th 2001 Wrexham February 4th 2001 Bristol Rovers March 24th 2001 Millwall April 14th 2001 Stoke City 5th May 2001

The Chrsitmas Disco now has a firm date which is Wednesday 20th December, so make a date in your diary to come along and have a really good time. The disco will start at 7.30 and will cost 50p for juniors and £1 only for adults (and the Bar WILL BE OPEN). We always have a really good time and as this will be a special Christmas Disco there will be lots of prizes to be won.

Robin's don't forget - this is your page so if you have any pictures, jokes, poems or stories that would be of interest to other juniors or if it's your birthday/friends birthday, send in your request, we will do our very best to put them on this page for you.

Fran Brearley, 01993213015 Julie Page, 01793 763349 Kevin Hall, 07773 485678 Kim Young, 01993 212645 George Chadwick, 01672 520679

# Mascots' Package

Looking for a gift for all occasions or just a good day out. Then try out the NEW Mascots' Package.

- · Replica Kit
- Goodie Bag
- Visit the dressing rooms
- Meet the players & lead the team out
- Photograph with the captains and officials on the pitch
- . Seats in the Executive Box
- The Chairman's Buffet lunch

For further details call George Chadwick, Mascot Co-ordinator on 01672 520679.

## Swindon Town Football Club Supporters' Club



This is being held on Thursday evening 2nd November in the Winners lounge with doors opening at 7.00 for a 7.45 kick off and the main activities. Entry to the event is free, and is open to all supporters and not just Supporters Club members.

It is intended to be a fun evening with plenty of opportunity to talk to fellow supporters. The main event will be a (not too hard!) quiz purely based on Swindon Town Football Club and its links. This event will be for teams of three and the cost of entering the quiz, will be just £3 per team with ALL entry fees being returned as prize money. (Entries will be taken on the evening). There will be plenty of other Swindon Town entertainment along the way and a special "beer promotion" will be

available. This is the first of what we hope will be a regular monthly event as we recognise that in recent times there has been little opportunity for fans to meet socially other than on match days. A really inexpensive night out and one which it is hoped will be fun for fans of the Town. Do please come along and join us during the evening. You never know who might just be in the opposing quiz teams!

Have you visited the programme shop yet situated in the building occupied by the away travel club? Come and search for the missing programme to complete a set or just browse for something of interest.

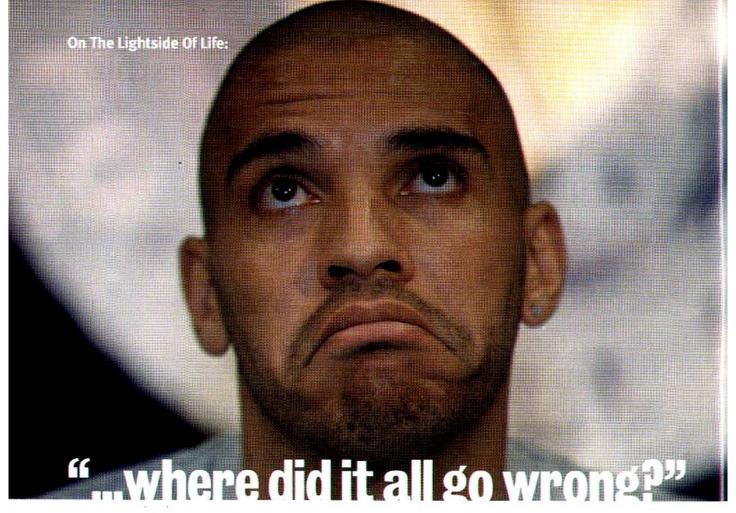
Do disabled supporters realise that within the Nationwide stand there is now a **refreshment kiosk**, available to them, and run by committee members of the disabled group If



it out, then why not go and check it out, there will be a friendly welcome. Match day sellers are still required for the Evening Advertiser sponsored Robins Revival Half Time Draw. Anyone interested should ring Roger Bunce on o1865 820499. Ring and do your bit for " the Town "

Winner of the draw at the Bristol Rovers match was **David Webb** of Chippenham. David holds ticket number 197 and is another winner from those who contribute to the subscription scheme.

Any one can join the prepayment method by visiting our website or seeing a committee member on match days. David won the season's top prize so far of £335. The winner of the draw at the Millwall match was Mr Allin, holder of ticket number 180 and the winner walked away this time with £220.



You have your Alan Shearer's and Garethh Southgate's of this world - the 'model' professional.

Never speak out of turn and are very rarely controversial. Then, on the reverse of the coin you have the Paul Gascoigne's and Stan Collymore's - the wayward genius. Forever in the tabloids for either drinking binges, bust-ups with the boss or who their latest lady friend is.

The latter signed for Bradford City last week and, in doing so, opened another chapter in his rather blotted copybook. His talent and potential under the guidance of Barry Fry at Southend some tenyears ago was unquestionable. His development at Nottingham Forest, where he learned how to use his team-mates, was obvious. But where did it all go wrong?

Probably at Liverpool. Whether it was the fear of failure or his inability to produce a level of consistency at the top level, who knows? Apart from a few bright moments

including the winner against Newcastle in THAT 4-3 win Collymore could not reproduce the form that took him into the England set-up with Forest.

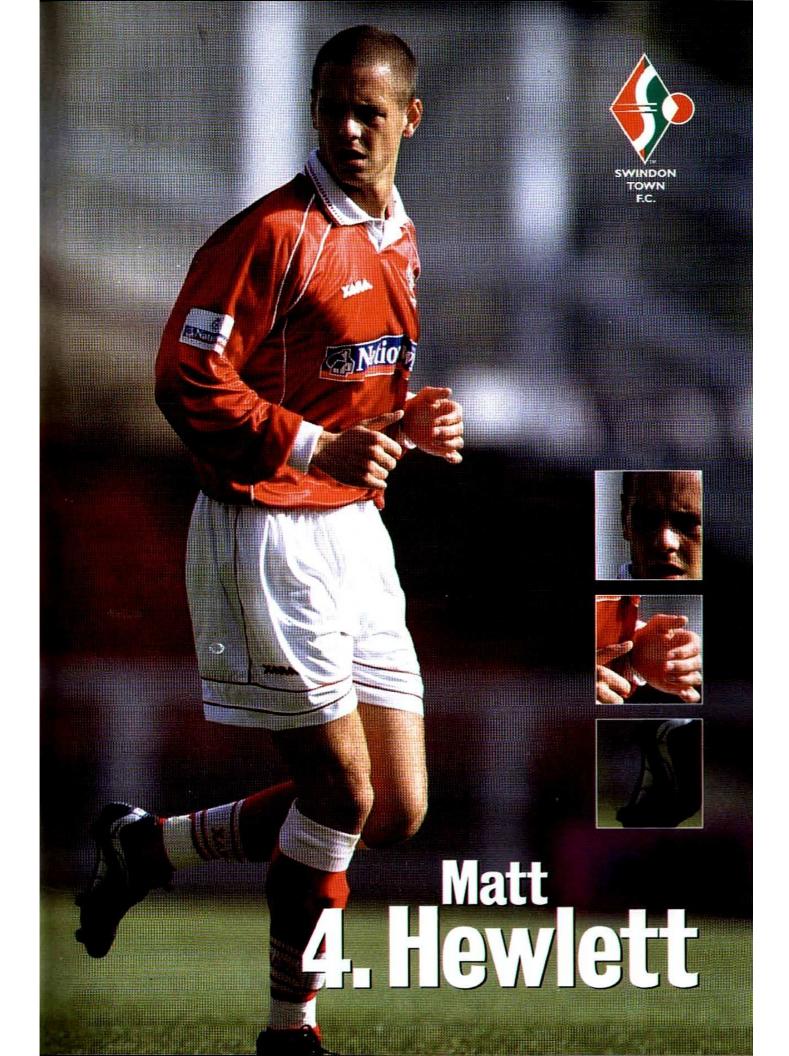
As most high-profile personalities
'Stan the Man' found himself in the
public eye more often than not,
although on many occasions, didn't
help his own cause. A wellpublicised incident with his then
girlfriend Ulrika Johnsson shamed
the Aston Villa front man. Bouts of
clinical depression followed and
Collymore found himself on soccer's
very own scrap heap.

Martin O'Neill, who knows how to deal with troublesome stars, threw the troubled striker a lifeline at Leicester City but O'Neill soon packed his bags for Celtic and once again Collymore had to make do with the bench at Filbert Street behind both Ade Akinbiyi and Darren Eadie. To make matters worse Stan got involved in a bust-up with team-mate Trevor Benjamin during a reserve team a match in

front of his new boss Peter Taylor and was promptly transfer listed.

Now, with surely his last toss of the coin as a top-flight player, Collymore turned to Premiership strugglers Bradford City. Rookie Bradford boss Chris Hutchings is also struggling to make his mark at the top level and the pair could probably help each other out of a bind. Collymore just wants to play football and will surely get his chance at Bradford.

Once a rising star of the domestic game, he is now reduced to accepting two free transfers within a year. He has gone through the football saga of big transfers to big clubs, earning big wages but inevitably dropping back down to earth. Few will feel sorry for him, as it is still the life that those not so talented would choose. It is poignant that after all that after all he has gone through he still has the desire to just play a game of football, like so many other aspiring Stan Collymore's of this world.



# CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR PARTY PACKAGES 2000

Bring your Christmas Party to us and enjoy great food, a sparkling atmosphere and a disco bar 'till late. Don't worry about arranging the Christmas Party, let us do it for you. We lay on a three course menu, party games and the best disco in town. The Party Nights run throughout December and January.

## Three Course Carvery

#### £22.50 per person

- Bucks Fizz on arrival
- Soup Starter
- Turkey, Beef or Pork (or a vegetarian option) served with stuffing and trimmings
- Christmas Pudding or Gateau
- Coffee & Petit Fours

#### Silver Service 3 Course Dinner

#### £25.00 per person

- · Champagne on arrival
- Soup Starter
- Roast Turkey (or vegetarian option) served with stuffing, trimmings and seasonal vegetables
- Christmas Pudding or Gateau
- Coffee & Petit Fours

#### Lunchtime Festivities

#### £15.00 per person

- Roast Turkey, Beef or Vegetarian option
- Each served with traditional trimmings, seasonal vegetables and roast potatoes
- Christmas Pudding, Cheesecake or Gateau
- Coffee & Mince Pies
- Incudes party novelties

# · New Year's Eve 2000

## £10 per person

- Disco Buffet
- Late bar
- Party games
- Spot prizes throughout the evening

For further details or to book your event please call us on **01793 333741...** 



SWINDON TOWN F.C.

# Week in pictures

A look back at this weeks sporting moments with...



#### Monday 23rd

Manchester City celebrate Danny Tiatto's goal in the 2-o victory over Southampton at the Dell.



#### Wednesday 25th

Ray Parlour opens the scoring with this screamer in the 5th minute. Arsenal went on to beat Sparta Prague 4-1.



#### Tuesday 24th

Anderlecht celebrate after their amazing 2-1 victory over Manchester United in the Champions' League.



#### Thursday 26th

Robbie Fowler misses a penalty in Liverpool's unconvincing 1-0 over Slovan Lierec.



#### Saturday 28th

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Teddy Sheringham scores his first hattrick for Man Utd in their crushing 5-0 win over Southampton



#### Friday 27th

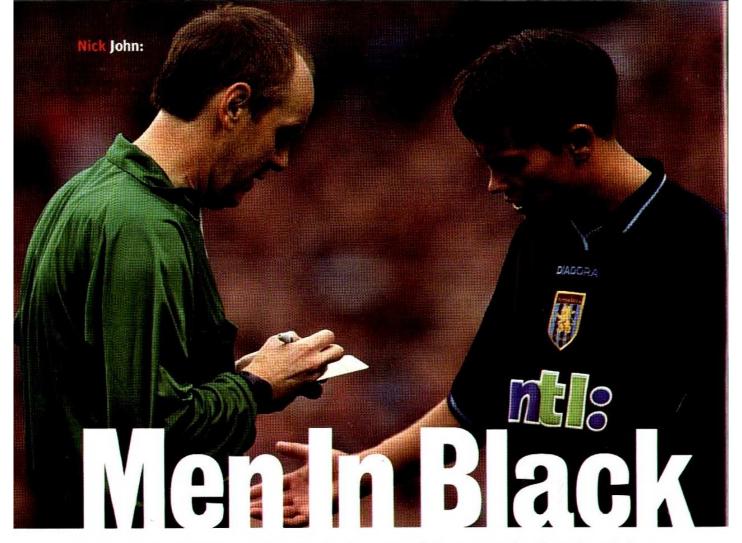
Mike Sheron scores the winner against Preston and inflicts their first home defeat of the season.



#### Sunday 29th

Stan Collymore scores a fantastic volley against Leeds on his Bradford debut in 1-1 draw. His 'monkey' celebration could find him in hot-water with the FA.





#### Nick John suggests an ideal solution to end the eternal refereeing debate...

The old belief that a side plays better when reduced to 10 men after a sending off, does not really run true does it?

Occasionally, teams will pull a draw out of the bag from a 1-0 deficit. But on the whole it means trouble all round.

Swindon suffered at the hands of a dubious decision last week, losing Andy Williams and the game to Millwall. Similarly Cambridge United lost 2-o to a lowly Colchester side (minus Lua lua - Town fans will remember him from the opening game of the season) who were on a run of ten games without a win.

A report on the Colchester versus Cambridge United game said "Tom Cowans 18th minute dismissal changed the shape of the game." So forget all the slush and expectancy of a memorable fight back, the facts are, a sending off is bad news and even more so when the subsequent suspension follows.

The Manager's quandry however, is not only whether to dish out a punishment and hopefully a detterent, but also for what offences. During the commitment and pace of the game, a mistimed tackle or two, a professional foul or even retaliation are 'knee jerk' reactions that often cannot be avoided. But when it comes to 'gobby' players giving the referee abuse for 90 minutes then there is no sympathy. A good example "recently was Lee Hendrie at Aston Villa, whose churlish behaviour not only let himself and everyone else down, but resulted in a club fine from manager John Gregory.

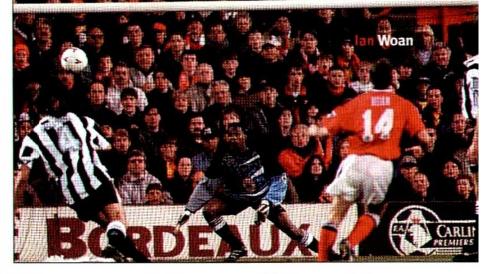
The situation between players and referees seems to be deteriorating season by season and needs to be

addressed as a soon as possible. Whilst we all agree that it is a very difficult job, the standard of refereeing is undoubtedly poor and wonder how many played to a decent standard themselves - not many I bet!

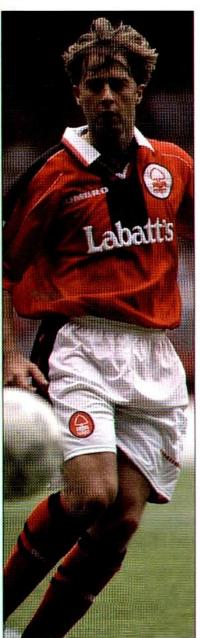
There needs to be a deeper understanding of the players and this in return will produce a mutual respect. This can only be achieved by the F.A. enticing and channelling more ex-players into the role of refereeing. How many times have you heard "A footballers career is very short and fraught with dangers of injury and early retirement."

Here lies an ideal opportunity to carry on their chosen career to the benefit of all (with fitness and 'basic' knowledge of the game already in place) instead of falling into the 'pub' or 'taxi' game - you know it makes sense!

an Woan became the latest new face to join Swindon Town Football Club when he joined last Friday on a free transfer from Barnsley.



# Meet lan Woan - New Signing



The former Nottingham Forest left midfielder became a free agent after leaving Barnsley last month and is now on a short term contract as a free agent.

lan was very much the forgotten man at the City Ground last season. He started just one game at Norwich in November, and made a further nine appearances as a substitute. He is still a talented wide-left or central midfield player and he will be a welcome asset to the Swindon firing line. He is a good passer of the ball and his crossing ability means that he could play a big part in alleviating Town's growing goal drought.

His contract expired in the summer of 2000 and therefore made his way up north to Oakwell after failing to agree to a one-year deal.

Barnsley Boss Dave Bassett was grateful to Woan for his time at the club, and says he helped out at a vital time.

"He came in and did a good job when Barnard was injured at the time and Corbo was about to sign, and we needed him. He came in and had one or two good games, he did well against Crewe in the cup and he contributed in different ways for us."

Woan should be in tonights line-up.



## lan Woan Playing STATS...

Born: Heswell 14th Dec, 1967.

Height: 5'10" Weight: 12.4

League appearances:

Runcorn 1974-75, 30. Notts F 1975-79, 150. League goals: 40.

Club Hounours: Div 1, 1998

# **Statistics 2000/2001...**

#### STFC Fact-files...

#### The Key...

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UE	Aug	22ND	EXETER CITY WC1 (1)	Н	1-1	5,193			
SAT	Aug	26TH	WALSALL	H	1-4	5,492	24		
MON	Aug	28TH	PORT VALE	A	0.3	3,926	24		
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SAT	SEPT	9тн	BRISTOL CITY	Α	1-0	10,110	21		
UE	SEPT	12TH	BOURNEMOUTH	A	0-3	3,673	22		
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TUESDAY OCTOBER 31ST 2000 7.45PM VS CAMBRIDGE UNITED



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Kiosk Competition Winner v Bristol Rovers John F White wins a 14" Portable Colour TV.

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#### Nationwide Division Two 2000/2001

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READING	16	7	1	0	29	8	3	1	4	7	11	17	32
WALSALL	16	5	3	0	18	7	4	1	3	12	10	14	31
WIGAN ATHLETIC	15	6	1	0	11	4	2	5	1	9	7	9	30
ROTHERHAM UTD	16	4	1	3	16	12	5	2	1	10	9	5	30
MILLWALL	14	5	1	2	17	5	4	1	1	14	8	18	29
WYCOMBE WDRS	16	5	1	2	14	7	2	3	3	3	6	4	25
NORTHAMPTON TN	14	3	2	1	8	5	4	1	3	9	7	5	24
STOKE CITY	14	4	2	1	13	5	2	3	2	9	11	6	23
BURY	16	4	1	3	9	11	3	1	4	6	9	-5	23
CAMBRIDGE UTD	14	4	1	3	15	9	2	2	2	7	8	5	21
WREXHAM	14	2	1	4	6	10	4	2	1	18	15	-1	21
P'BOROUGH UTD	16	4	2	2	11	10	2	1	5	7	11	-3	21
Notts Co	16	2	3	3	12	13	4	0	4	6	10	-5	21
BRENTFORD	14	4	3	1	10	10	1	3	2	6	11	-5	21
BRISTOL CITY	14	2	2	3	11	9	3	3	1	6	3	5	20
BRISTOL ROVERS	14	0	4	2	5	8	4	2	2	17	9	5	18
COLCHESTER UTD	16	3	2	3	9	8	1	3	4	6	11	-4	17
PORT VALE	15	3	3	2	13	7	1	1	5	3	14	-5	16
SWANSEA CITY	14	2	2	3	6	6	2	1	4	6	11	-5	15
OLDHAM ATHLETIC	15	3	1	3	9	9	1	2	5	8	18	-10	15
BOURNEMOUTH	16	1	4	3	7	7	1	3	4	14	16	-2	13
SWINDON TOWN	14	1	2	3	6	12	2	1	5	6	14	-14	12
LUTON TOWN	15	2	1	5	9	12	0	4	3	7	13	-9	11
OXFORD UNITED	16	1	2	5	5	10	0	0	8	8	27	-24	5

## Nationwide Appearances 2000/2001

PLAYER NAME:	Squab sq.s	APPS.	Arrs.	Amera.	CORPS
BART GRIEMINK	1	14	4	18	
MARK ROBINSON	2	12(1)	2(1)	14(2)	1
SOL DAVIS	3	11(1)	3(1)	14(2)	
MATTHEW HEWLETT	4	10	4	14	
ADAM WILLIS	5	12	1(1)	13(1)	
ANTGINE VAN DER LINDEN	6	3(3)	1	4(3)	
KEITH O'HALLORAN	7	14	4	18	
BOBBY HOWE	8	8(2)	2	10(2)	1
CHARLIE GRIFFIN	9	(1)		(1)	-
GIULIANO GRAZIOLI	10	4(6)	1(3)	5(9)	1
DAVID DUKE	11	11	4	15	1
JUAN COBIAN	12	2	2	4	
STEVE COWE	14	1(2)	(1)	1(3)	
ANDY WILLIAMS	15	2(4)	(2)	2(6)	
KIM HEISELBERG	16	1	1	2	
DANIEL INVINCIBILE	17	12(1)	1(1)	13(2)	4
GARY ALEXANDER	18	8	3	11	1
MARK ROBERTSON	19	2(2)	2(1)	4(3)	1
FRAZER MCHUGH	20	•		•	
GARETH DAVIES	21		-		
ALAN REEVES	22	12(1)	4	16(1)	3
STEVE MILDENHALL	23				
MARTIN WILLIAMS	24	10	3	13	2
MARKO TUOMELA	25	1(1)	2	3(1)	
ALAN YOUNG	26	(1)		(1)	
IAN WOAN	31	1		1	
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#### **Swindon Town**

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Adam Willis

**Bobby Howe** 

Charlie Griffin

David Duke

Juan Cobian

Steve Cowe

Andy Williams

Kim Heiselberg

Gary Alexander

Mark Robertson

Frazer McHugh

**Gareth Davies** 

Martin Williams

Marko Tuomela

Alan Young

Ian Woan

Alan Reeves Steve Mildenhall

Daniel Invincibile

**Bart Griemink** 

Mark Robinson

Matthew Hewlett

Keith O'Halloran

Giuliano Grazioli

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Andy Duncan	4
Marc Joseph	5
Neil Mustoe	6
Paul Wanless	7
John Taylor	8
John Hansen	9
Alex Russell	11
Tom Cowan	12
Shaun Marshall	13
Tom Youngs	16
David Preece	17
Steve Slade	18
John Dreyer	22
Adam Tann	23
Zema Abbey	24
Neil MacKenzie	25
Steve McAnespie	26
Martin McNeil	27
Nathan Lamey	28
Daniel Chillingworth	29
Jonas Axeldal	30
James Mercer	31
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Roy McFarland	Market by

#### Match **Officials**

Referee	
Mr Warren	
Assistant 1	
A. J. Horton	
Assistant 2	
I. Williamson	
4th Official	

#### Match Facts

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