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### A Warm Welcome:

# **A Time of Good Will**

Swindon Town supporters never cease to amaze me and it is perhaps apt that, over the Christmas holiday period, their generosity has come to the fore once again.

Last Saturday, after our tremendous victory over Rotherham, the lads way up at the back of the Nationwide Stand who bang the club drum in support of the team, asked me if they could purchase another ticket to 'seat' the drum for our forthcoming FA Cup tie against Coventry City.

They informed me that they had a 'whip-round' to cover the cost of the seat but the fundraising exercise had, according to one of them, got a little out of hand and they had collected £67.50 too much. Instead of pocketing the cash or having a drink afterwards they have decided to donate the money to a charitable cause linked to the club. We have received the money and intend to donate it to the Prospect Foundation in Swindon - a local hospice that does much for terminally ill people. I think a big cheer should go up for the great supporters up in the Nationwide Stand - thank you very much for your support of our club and for your efforts in raising funds for a worthwhile cause. Such stories like this are so warming - especially at this time of year when we are spending time with our families, tucking into our roast turkey or busily opening presents.

Sadly, at our last home game, I have to report that one of our lifelong supporters collapsed and died while watching the match. Some of you may have spotted our team of paramedics rushing to the supporter's aid - but sadly he died

in the ambulance on the way to hospital. I understand that Mike Moast of Malmesbury has supported the club all his life and I was saddened to learn he passed on. I have had the opportunity to speak to a member of his family, who has asked me to pass on thanks to everyone at the club for their assistance - unfortunately their efforts were in vain.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Mike's family and friends. God bless you and may you rest in peace. I am sure you would agree that our great win that day should be dedicated to his memory.

Christmas is always a busy time for those of us involved in this great game - and today I would like to welcome you all to the County Ground for the traditional Boxing Day game. Our visitors today have not had too far to travel - just along the M4 from west London. Brentford are one of those clubs whose ground many of us have seen from the air as we return to Heathrow from our holidays, but few of us have probably visited.

The Bees, under the stewardship of chairman Ron Noades have found it tough adjusting to life in Division Two after winning promotion two seasons ago but I am sure they will be ready to give us a cracking game today. Coach Ray Lewington has recently taken over the managerial reins from Mr Noades and some recent results, including an impressive victory at Bristol City show they are a team that will battle for every point. A warm and festive welcome to all directors, players, staff and supporters of Brentford to today's game - but as usual - there is only one winner - Come On You Reds!

Peter Rowe Chief Executive

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# **Jim Joins Town Town Dates for**



Swindon Town have signed Manchester City midfielder Jim Whitley on a long-term loan.

Whitley, 25, teamed up with Andy King's men before the Rotherham clash and went straight into the squad for that game at the County Ground.

Capped twice by Northern Ireland, the Zambian born Whitley has also played at right back for City and recently completed a two month loan period at First **Division Norwich City.** 

Whitley played a major part in the Maine Road club's promotion drive from Division Two a couple of years ago and was a member of the squad that regained their place in the Premiership earlier this year.

The Chairman, Directors, Players, Coaching Staff, Management and Staff of Swindon Town Football Club would like to wish all Sponsors, Business Partners Supporters a Merry Christmas & Ha 2001.

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Swindon Town have been drawn to play Millwall in the LDV Trophy second round. The Town received a bye in the first round and now enter the competition.



The tie will be played away at Millwall's New Den on Tuesday 9th January at 7.45pm. For ticket information please see the Box Office Christmas opening times on page 44 and ask for details.

The away match against Colchester United was postponed due to Town reaching the FA Cup third round. This match has now been re-arranged for Tuesday 23rd January 2001, 7.45pm kick-off.

The Town's Reserve match due to be played at the County Ground on Wednesday 3rd January has now been re-arranged for Tuesday 24th April, 2.00pm kick-off.

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### Good afternoon and a very warm welcome to today's Boxing Day match against Brentford.

Firstly, I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas Day and I hope that we can help you have an equally great Boxing Day here at the County Ground. Secondly I. would say that, due to print deadlines around the Christmas period, that these programme notes were written prior to our match away at Bury. I hope we had a good away win!

I was very pleased with the manner in which we achieved our third consecutive win last time we played here at the County Ground, against Rotherham. As you know, I'm the last person to get too carried away by any result at the moment because I still think that it's too early in the grand scheme of things of what I hope to achieve here. All I will say is that, the 2-1 win over Rotherham was our best performance, as a team, this season. Mainly for two reasons; it was against opposition that had gone 16 games unbeaten and, secondly, the manner in which the team played. We started the game very well and finished strongly, and that was very pleasing from my point of view.

It's no secret that we are still down near the bottom of the table at the moment and, although we were getting some good results with three at the back, I stongly believe it was necessary to change the formation and system to suit the personnel, rather than the other way around. The systems I have tried have suited us in different

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ways, but sometimes you have to treat individual matches as just that.

The squad has come together in recent weeks and the few additions I've made have strengthened the squad sufficiently enough to give us greater quality in depth. I don't like to single out any one player in particular, but I thought that lan Woan was tremendous against Rotherham. You may have heard differing reports from the press about my thoughts on his performance, I wanted to convey that I believe that Ian is what I would term 'a footballer' and, by that, I mean he can pass the ball anywhere on the field, at the correct weight and range, and do things with the ball that professional footballers should be capable of doing.

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# "All I will say is that, the 2-1 win over Rotherham was our best performance, as a team, this season."

I don't want there to be any kind of distinction between the players I've brought in and those already at the club because, when I took over, they all became my players and they should be treated as a team. I'm pleased that I've brought some new blood into the squad and it's to satisfying to a manager when they perform well, but I believe that all of the players here are capable of performing to a very high standard.

We now have a very busy Christmas period ahead of us and I, begrudgingly, use the old cliché that there is no more important game than the next one. In our situation, that theory becomes such a true statement. We'll be concentrating 100% on the game against Brentford and, only when that's done and dusted, can we focus upon the local derby against Reading. I've played in what I regard as the biggest derby of them all, Everton v Liverpool, and I know from experience that any kind of form guide has no bearing on what actually happens on the day. It's about who wants it more, and our opponents lofty position in the league won't count for anything.

If we can continue the performance levels that we have attained of late providing we've had a good result against Bury! - then I might start to believe that I'm getting from the players what I hoped to get, and also that they've the confidence in themselves that I have in them. We know that there is no Manchester United in this division, every team is well capable of beating the others, going on and starting to mount a serious challenge for a promotion spot. I would also like to say a big 'Thank You' to all the fans who gave us such fantastic support against Rotherham. I believe that the support from our hard-core fans gave us the spark we needed to start so well and then went on to act as 'twelfth men' to, not only take the lead again, but to sustain the lead when Rotherham really put on the pressure in the final few minutes. I can't stress enough the importance of the fans getting behind the players, to believe in them, and to keep cheering them on.

Finally, I would like to wish a seasonal warm welcome to the directors, management team, players and supporters of Brentford Football Club and wish them a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Andy King

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### The Visitors:

# Brentford Football Club 2000/2001



# The Bees...

The Bees...Brenford visit the County Ground today on the back of three games without defeat and a new Caretaker boss to boot.

After an indifferent and eventful start to the season (one win in six games and a 6-2 defeat thrown in for good measure), Brentford would appear to have turned the corner, the catalyst being that embarassing defeat against non-league Kingstonian.

Following their FA Cup exit, the Bees have installed Ray Lewington as their caretaker boss with Ron Noades standing down from his managerial duties. Since then, a battling 2-2 draw against Wigan followed by a 4-1 win



Trophy against Oxford has led to the players requesting that Lewington takes over on a more permanent basis.

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Even a trip to Ashton Gate couldn't stop the Bees recent run of form, a 2-1 defeat ending Bristol City's long unbeaten run at home (since September 9th when Town won 1-0).

Lewington has now emerged as the strongest contender but will have to wait until the New Year to find out whether he has the job for the rest of the season and beyond.



# Club FACTS...

Name: Brentford FC Nickname: The Bees Ground: Griffin Park Year Formed: 1889 Capacity: 12,763 Highest League Scorer: Jack Holliday, 38, 1932-33



# **Grounds for Complaint**

Brentford police have decided to close a section of the Griffin Park ground in a controversial move.

Supporters fear the decision will mark the end of what remaining atmosphere there is at the ground and mean the end of co-operation with the authorities. Stadium manager Roy King said: "Following discussions with the Metropolitan Police the club has been advised to close Block B of the New Road stand. The club does understand that supporters would like to stand and watch football under cover and will now explore all avenues that may enable home supporters to return next season."



**B**rentford's first-team coach boss appointed as caretaker boss following Ron Noades' resignation last month.

# **Meet Ray Lewington**



An influential figure in London football, he first arrived at Griffin Park two seasons ago as one of a trio of coaches appointed by Noades following his take-over of the club.

He has extensive coaching experience working at Fulham where he was player/manager and Crystal Palace, where he also worked under Noades. A fiercely competitive midfield player, he made 369 career appearances, playing for Chelsea, Wimbledon and Canadian side Vancouver Whitecaps before returning to Fulham in 1979.

After a season with Sheffield United, he returned to Craven Cottage in a managerial capacity in 1987 before moving to Selhurst Park in 1994.



### The Visitors:

# Andy Scott

Andy is now the second longest serving player at Brentford and completed his 100th full league appearance for the Club in their away match at Port Vale.

A predominantly left-sided player, Andy is enjoying arguably his hottest streak in front of goal since joining from Sheffield United in 1997 for a £75,000 fee. At the time of writing, Andy has notched 12 goals this season.

Injury kept him confined to a utility role last season which saw him appear at left back and even wear the goalkeeper's jersey for 15 minutes against Oldham.

# **Scott Marshall**

A former Youth and Under 21 Scottish International, Scott spent seven years as a professional at Highbury before moving to Southampton in August `98.

> The experienced central defender joined the Bees for £250,000 last October, but was sidelined for almost four months with an injury.



# 17 Olafur Gottskalksson



Ollie, as he is known, joined the Bees during the recent close season, on a free transfer from Hibernian. He

signed for the Scottish Premier Club for £250,000 in `97. He has been capped over thirty times at Full and Under 21 level by his native Iceland and his form this season has earned him a recall to the Icelandic World Cup



Robert, a former Republic of Ireland Under 21, and B International, figured in almost every Brentford match last season, either by playing or as a substitute. His ability to play in a number of positions is of enormous benefit to the Bees.

# Paul Evans

The former Welsh Under 21 International joined from Shrewsbury in March of last year for £100,000, and his signing was the catalyst for the successful assault on the Championship. His exceptional skills as a captain are matched by his ability in midfield, and his long range scoring prowess last season made him become known nationally.



# 🖁 Gavin Mahon



Gavin was the Bees only ever present last season until injury forced him to miss the match at Blackpool in

January. This was only the 2nd match he had missed since forcing his way into the side at Christmas '98. An influential midfielder, he cost the Bees £50,000 plus when signing in November '98.

# **10** Scott Partridge

Scott joined Brentford from Torquay United for £100,000 over a year ago. He is a handful for the best of defences and has now found his scoring touch swith three goals in two matches.

# 12 Martin Rowlands

In only eighteen months of League football, 21 year old Martin has gained both Football League representative honours and has become a mainstay of the Republic of Ireland Under 21 squad. Meanwhile he had another outstanding season for his local side, and became the Player of the Year last season.

# 5 Ivar Ingimarsson



Ivar, a former Player of the Year in Iceland, has been capped by his country at Under 16, 18, 21 and

now full levels. He was signed having completed a one month loan with Torquay United, for a deal totalling £150,000, and was ever present before the Bees injury hoodoo struck just before the end of the season.

# 18 Gareth Graham

The tigerish midfielder, a Northern Ireland Under 21 International, joined us on a free transfer from Crystal Palace in October. His appearances were restricted through injury although he made his full debut at Scunthorpe in March, and featured regularly thereafter.

# 19 Paul Gibbs

Paul, joined the Bees from Plymouth during the summer where he had been for the previous two seasons. In 1998/99 he was named in the PFA Third Division's representative team. He made his Second Division debut, for the Bees at Northampton.

# 20 Kevin O'Connor



Kevin who is 18, is now starting his second season with the Bees, having been offered terms when a

seventeen year old. He made his first appearance as a substitute when coming on against Exeter City in the Auto Windscreens Shield and his full debut against Wycombe hours after signing the contract.

# 25 Michael Dobson

Michael, son of former Bee George Dobson, started out as a central defender but regularly found the net playing up front for the Youth squad. He is now in his second season as a professional and made his League debut when coming on as a substitute against Swansea City. Made his full debut in a Man of the Match performance against Oxford Utd.

# 29 Mark McCammon

Mark was signed by the Bees during the close season for a fee which could ultimately cost the Bees £300,000. Formerly a non-contract player with Cambridge United, he earned himself a contract with last season's First Division Champions Charlton following an impressive trial period.

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# **Grazioli Suffers Set-Back**

Good afternoon and welcome to today's match, I hope you all had a great Christmas.

Matty Hewlett, as I've mentioned in previous notes, has spent some time at Lilleshall where he worked hard to build up the strength in his quadriceps, the muscles on the front of your leg, because they were somewhat down on what we would expect at this point of his recovery. We've paid a lot of attention to strengthening these muscles already but he now has a daily programme of leg exercises that he needs to work hard at and then he should return to Lilleshall in mid-January. Once we are certain that he has the correct strength back in his quadriceps we can start thinking about pushing on his program of recovery.

Matty is a good young professional and is coping with it very well indeed. He is on schedule for the time scale of recovery that we would expect for this kind of injury.

Graz has been back to see the specialist about his abdominal injury and unfortunately it has been decided that he requires surgery, which is what I thought might happen. It was quite an acute episode, in other words it became very sore and sometimes it can just be a simple tear of the abdominal muscle. We had to give it the chance that it may repair itself but unfortunately it will have to be sealed with surgery. This means that Giuliano will be out of commission for about four to six weeks. Again, this is very unfortunate for Graz as he had such injury problems last

season but these things just happen. These kinds of injury are quite common around this time of year, especially with the heavy ground.

Andy Williams is the only other lad we have in the treatment room. He is recovering from his hernia operation and I'm pleased to report that he is doing very well. We know would expect him to get back into training just prior to, or just after Christmas. That is great news for Andy and he is looking nice and strong but he's still keeping up his own set of exercises. He has to strengthen the inside of his legs, what we call the abductors and also, abdominal exercises.

They all know what they have to do, as do we, so it is just a case of time scales.

# We Welcome Today's Mascots...

We have three mascots for today's game. They are Nathan Clarke and brother and sister Niall and Lucy Ratcliffe.



Nathan, aged nine, is from Witney, His favourite Town player is Graz and he also supports Southampton. Nathan's main

interests are playing and watching



football. Lucy is 12 years old and lives in Old Town, Her favourite Town player is Martin Williams and her hobbies include

collecting 'Beanie Bears' and playing hockey.

Her younger brother Niall is three years old and he thinks that Gary Alexander is brilliant. He also thinks



the same of Thomas the Tank Engine and Robot Wars!

All three only learned of their

match mascot status yesterday when they opened their Christmas presents - surprise, surprise! and we are sure that they will enjoy a wonderful afternoon here at the County Ground.

### Dan Chisholm:



Whilst my colleague Shaun Hodgetts was filling the gap in last week's matchday programme, caused by my excursion to the Isle of Skye for a week's holiday, the boys did it again!



# Spectacle for Boxing Day?



Fantastic - but although I'm not superstitious, I'm beginning to seriously consider whether or not I should make a habit of being away for certain games.

The matches I've missed have

 produced good performances and, whilst I enjoyed my stay at the Carlisle hospital casualty department - but not enjoying feeling pretty rough for three

days - in some respects it's really great to be back. I hope your Christmas is going well and, as some of you are contemplating just how many cases of beers you can get through before returning to work after the holiday season, some of us have to carry on working. (Argh!). No! - I enjoy my job over the festive period, just so long as I can get to a football match and, even better, if it's an exciting one. Let's face it, it wouldn't be Christmas without a Boxing Day game, although one aspect of these vuletide matches that drives me mad is, why is it that we often end up watching a game which is less than memorable? It invariably seems to me that the players have had too much turkey and not enough training! Deep down I know that this isn't the case -

players don't indulge until after the Bank Holidays' festivities are over - but why do we rarely witness an exciting Boxing Day spectacle? Can you remember the last time you saw a truly great Christmas or New Year game? (if you can't, maybe it was because you'd gone to the wrong match!) No? well my colleague Ian Longdon tells me that Melksham versus Chippenham finished 3-all last year - some guys get all the luck. Let's hope that today's match will be the exception to the rule. It would be great to follow a traditional Christmas repast with a good stuffing! not for the Town though! Come on YOU REDS!

Dan Chisholm Breakfast presenter

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# The verdict from the cup win against Gateshead...

# How they saw it

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Swindon Town manager Andy King saw his side clinch a third successive win and then saluted Ian Woan as the best player in Nationwide Division Two.

Woan set Swindon on their way with his first goal for the club in 10 matches. The former Barnsley and Forest midfielder curled a 25-yard free-kick into the bottom corner of Ian Gray's goal after just four minutes, and it was his drive that helped set up Danny Invincible's winner in the second half. Swindon manager Andy King was delighted to see his side win their third home match.

# Home www.thisisswindontownfc.co.uk

Town showed true grit to grind down the Millers and pick up their third consecutive victory.

A sublime free kick from Ian Woan and a thumping drive from Danny Invincible were enough to see off a physical Rotherham United side at the County Ground. Andy King's side thoroughly deserved the three points but the home supporters had their nerves totally shredded in the final 15 minutes as Town battled to preserve their slender lead. While three points were vital going into the busy Christmas period, it is the manner of the victory and the signs of progress that should please the Town boss and the supporters.

# Away www.themillers.force9.co.uk

The Merry Millers' unbeaten record of 10 in the League had to end some day, and it ended on Saturday when Rotherham went down 2-1 to Swindon Town.

The Wiltshire outfit were fourth from bottom before kick-off, but nevertheless it was surprisingly not the Millers who had the greater desire to win the game, with the home side giving United plenty to do in the 90 minutes. It was to be Swindon Town who got the deserved 3 points from a game in which the home side had worked hard, battling for every ball, rather like another team I once knew.



# Managers' views...



"It was a fantastic performance on Saturday. We produced what I consider to be the best performance of the season against Rotherham when you consider

that they are one of the better sides in this division. We know that we need to string a few results together at this time of year because the games come thick and fast. Brentford and Reading are big games but we should fancy our chances after Saturday's performance.

Andy King speaking after the Town's third successive victory in the 2-1 win over Rotherham United.



"Our undefeated run had to come to an end at some point but we were disappointed not to get a point against Swindon, especially after hitting the post a

couple of times towards the end. The opposition battled hard and made it difficult for us and played some good football at times, I don't think they'll be around the relegation zone come May."

Ronnie Moore speaking after his side lost their 10-game unbeaten record at the County Ground.

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### Community News:



Jon, Luke and myself hope you are all having a great Christmas and like us I am sure you all over-indulged on the turkey and Christmas pudding yesterday.

Let's hope today's home fixture against Brentford is as exciting and entertaining as the last game against Rotherham. I personally

. thought it was our best performance of the season so far. with the lads displaying a great battling performance. A couple of weeks ago Jon and I received a very moving letter from Bob Taylor from Caterton Town Junior Football Club. Bob explained in his letter that a local family, The Longs, had been tragically told that 2 of their young sons had been diagnosed with 'Lorenzo's Oil' disease. We were extremely moved by the letter and after a meeting with Peter Rowe and Dave Welsby we donated a Mascot package for an auction night arranged for Friday 1st December. We were delighted that the mascot package along with

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other football memorabilia raised a fantastic £1,726.10. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to Lisa and Simon Long and their 3 sons. The Mascot package was won by Nathan Clarke who is aged 9 years old and from Witney. Nathan and

his dad are both avid Swindon Town fans and let's hope they enjoy the day with us.

Best wishes

Clive, Jono and Luke

Jon & Clive talk to the lads





Soccer

The Soccer Centres finished recently, rounding off another great year for the kids.



Their enthusiasm and attitude towards the courses was fantastic, and hopefully this will continue throughout the new year.

Our numbers have shot up towards the 600 mark, which is great news.

We have eleven Soccer Centres running in and around Swindon and we are hoping to open a couple of new Centre

Centres in the New Year and maybe push toward 700 members, maybe more.

During the last week of the courses, 'the Gaffer' (Andy King) has let me speak to the players to see if they can appear at the courses to give out certificates to the kids.

This is fantastic for them because it gives them something to aspire to, to look up to. It will also help raise the profile of the club. So I'd like to thank 'the Gaffer' and Alan Reeves for helping to arrange which players appear where and when.

Enjoy the game, and we hope you are having a very Merry Christmas and that you have a Happy New Year.

Jimmy Fraser

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# **Blunsdon Girls**

Although Womens' football is one of the fastest growing sports in the country there are, unfortunately, a limited number of opportunities in Swindon.

However Blunsdon Girls are a sub division of Blunsdon Colts Football Club. We have been training since September 2000 and have a group of girls who have come to training sessions regularly since we started. The group comprises of mixed ages and abilities and it would be beneficial to recruit a few new members in the New Year so that we can segregate the different age groups and begin to establish a couple of teams to play friendly games. We would like to welcome any girls between the ages of 6-10 years, especially beginners who have always wanted to try football but have never had a go! The coaching sessions are always relaxed and informal and are designed to teach new skills (both individually and in groups) and increase confidence and team participation. Our emphasis is on fun and enjoyment, especially for the younger members.

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Box Office

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

# **HOME** v Reading Football Club Saturday 30th December 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 Juniors: £4 - £5



# AWAY v Walsall Football Club Monday 1st January 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two fixture at the Bescot Stadium. All tickets are pay on the day

Matchday Prices From: Adults: £14 Concessions: £10 Juniors: £10



# **HOME v Coventry City Football Club** Saturday 6th January 3.00pm

'AXA' Sponsored FA Cup third round fixture at the County Ground.

### Matchday Prices From:

· Adults: £15 · £18 Concessions: £8 - £10 luniors: £4 - £5

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# HOME v Port Vale Football Club Saturday 13th January 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 Juniors: £4 - £5



# AWAY v Millwall Football Club Tuesday 9th January 7.45pm

LDV Vans Trophy second round fixture at the New Den

Matchday Prices From: Adults: the Concessions: tbc Juniors: tbc



# AWAY v Brentford Football Club Saturday 20th January 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two fixture at the County Ground.

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# (mas Box Office Opening Times

Friday 22nd December Saturday 23rd December Sunday 24th December Monday 25th December Tuesday 26th December \_\_\_\_\_ 10am - kick-off (v Brentford) Wed 27th - Fri 29th December \_\_\_\_\_\_ 9am-5pm Saturday 30th December \_\_\_\_\_ 9am- kick-off (v Reading) Sunday 31st December \_\_\_\_\_ Closed Monday 1st January Closed Tuesday and January



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JUNIORS	£38.00
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After Town's 5-o victory over Gateshead, we have drawn Coventry in the 3rd round of the AXA FA Cup. The tie will be played at the County Ground on Saturday 6th January 2001, kick-off 3pm.

Tickets went on restricted sale last Monday and are available to the following supporters:

- Season ticket holders
- Town Ender's

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- Supporters Club Members
- 2nd round, match ticket holders
- Rotherham, match ticket-holders

Tickets go on general sale on Tuesday 19th December. The game is priced as follows:

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Away (uncovered) - Adults £14, OAP's & Students £7, Junior's £4

# Xmas Box Office Opening Times

Fri 22nd Dec	9am -4pm
Sat 23rd Dec	
Sun 24th Dec	Closed
Mon 25th Dec_	Closed
Tues 26th Dec_	10am - kick-off
	(v Brentford)
Wed 27th Dec_	9am-5pm
Thurs 28th Dec_	9am-5pm
Fri 29th Dec	9am-5pm
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- The club does not charge admission prices to supporters from a visiting club which are higher than those charged to our own supporters for comparable accommodation. Our concessionary rates offered to our own senior citizens, junior supporters, students and the unemployed apply to supporters of a visiting club.

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- Swindon Town FC endeavours to ensure that all replica strip designs shall have a minimum lifespan of two seasons.
- STFC will make all supporters aware when the replica strip was launched (date of launch), through its club programme, any merchandising catalogues, through e-mail communications and with visible signage in the club shop.
- The club will make details available of any intended change of kit through its club shop and the club carries out its obligations under Football League Regulations to prevent any price fixing in relation to the sale of replica kit.
- STFC will always offer refunds on merchandise in accordance with standard retail practises and as part of its legal obligations.

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Swindon Town FC will endeavour to work closely with all sections of the local community to promote the club as a family orientated sporting organisation. Through its links via the local education authority, schools and other community organisations, Swindon Town FC seeks to act as a role-model in encouraging healthy and active lifestyles.





# Swindon Town 2001 Calendar





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Football Programmes Down The Years:



A series of articles by the Editor of PROGRAMME MONTHLY & FOOTBALL COLLECTABLE magazine, describing how programmes have changed over a century and a quarter of Association Football.

# No.15 The Boring Fifties

Football club programmes scarcely changed throughout the 1950's. The decade started with advertladen 8 or 12 page programmes, in which photographs were a rarity, and finished on the same note.

For the vast majority of clubs, the format was predictable : front cover with sketch of footballer or stadium, usually with front page advertisements. Very occasionally, there would be a photograph of the stadium. There would be an editorial on page three which was often continued into other pages. This

 would give a review of recent matches and a preview of that day's fixture. The text was scarcely revelatory and was never controversial, and was usually the work of the club secretary who felt he had better things to do with his time than compile a match programme that would be bought by a small percentage of spectators. There would be an introduction to the visitors, usually comprising pen pictures; match reports of recent first team and reserve eleven games, sometimes including narrative, otherwise just team selections. Half time scoreboard, league tables, fixtures and results for first and second team matches, and not a great deal more interrupted the flow of advertisements. The team selections would invariably be in 2-3-5 formation on the centre pages, surrounded by small advertisements. This format was not only widespread, but it was enduring.

Sheffield Wednesday issued only 8 page programmes in 1950 and were still doing so ten years later. Further down the leagues, Bournemouth issued an 8 page programme for the 1955/56 season, and seven years later, a practically identical 8 page programme was issued, with the same cover design. There was one difference - it now cost 4d. The contrast between these programmes of between 40 and 50 years ago, and today's glossy magazines could not be more stark. There were no policy statements from managers or chairmen; few features 'Programme Monthly & Football Collectable' contains up to 150 pages each month on all aspects of programme collecting.

The current edition is available priced £2.30 (inclusive of postage) from 46 Milton Road, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 1TL or send 9 x 1st class stamps.

on star players, no coverage of commercial activities (for there were none) and photographs were few and far between.

As a snapshot of the society in which the club was placed, however, 1950's programmes paint an instructive picture thanks to the mass of advertisements and occasional editorial nuance. The omni-present theatre advertisement listing the current show, which characterised most pre-war programmes was replaced by billings for the many cinemas in the towns and cities of Britain. Local breweries were prominent advertisers, as were the major industries of the locality. In pre-supermarket, chain-store and DIY superstore days, the multitude of small trader advertisements shows a very different local economy to the one we know today.



# Division Two Stats for December

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It only takes a second to score a goal. And 17.3 seconds to celebrate it.



Jim Whitley:

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Jim Whitley joined us here at the County Ground on the 15th December on a long-term loan deal from Manchester City.

The 25-year old midfielder teamed up with Andy King and the rest of the squad on the same day in time for the home clash with Rotherham. Jim is a product of City's highly successful youth development programme and he played a major part in the Maine Road club's promotion drive from Division Two a couple of years ago and was a member of the squad that regained their place in the Premiership earlier this year.

A slow-starter, lim didn't make his debut until last season at the ripe old age of 22 when he replaced Gerard Wiekens in the FA Cup 3rd Round tie against Bradford City, playing in his Favoured central midfield role alongside younger brother Jeff. Zambian born Jim has played at right back for City and recently completed a two month loan period at First Division Norwich City. Before that he was loaned to Blackpool for two months at the beginning of the 1999-2000 season after he found it impossible to break into the City first team.

A skilful midfielder, he appeared regularly for the seasiders without ever featuring in a winning team and returned to Maine Road in October. Jim's form of last season was rewarded with a call-up to the Northern Ireland Squad, he has now had three, (his latest against Finland in Helsinki).



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I spoke to Joe Royle on the previous Wednesday and informed him of Town's interest. I hadn't been able to get any first team games as there are a lot of midfielders at Manchester City at the moment and it's increasingly difficult to get in the team.

I'm desperate to get some competitive matches under my belt and I'm happy to get the chance to do so at Swindon Town. I've been very impressed with the set-up at Swindon Town - the training facilities are first class and the club is very ambitious, but I knew that before I signed as I'd asked Kevin Horlock about the club and he was very positive.

I have played as a right back for Manchester City but that was only in an emergency, the position that I prefer is in the centre of midfield where I had the chance to play on Saturday. I know that Keith O'Halloran is now back from suspension and that the competition for places is as fierce as it is at Manchester City but I'll work hard in training and show the gaffer that I'm not complacent and will fight for my place.

This is a tough division but, from what I've seen already, I know that we can certainly improve on our current league position and play good football in the process. I've signed a two-month loan deal so I'll take it game by game and see how things go from there. If the gaffer and the fans like what they see, then I have the option of signing a permanent contract.

It was great to get a victory in my first match for the Town. I was happy that I managed to settle in so quickly and I saw a lot of the ball during the first half. We managed to pass it around quite well, especially in the first half, but when we went 2-1 ahead we panicked slightly and started hitting the long ball. However, we managed to keep Rotherham at bay as they piled on the pressure in the dying minutes.

I haven't been playing that much competitive football lately so I had to get straight into it and, although I was happy with my performance, I know I can build on that as I get more match-fit.

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CLUBS:	MANCHESTER CITY
	BLACKPOOL
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### Quiz & Fans:





This photo of Town fan Simon Rumbold, from Abbey Meads in Swindon, was taken by his mum.

He is pictured here 'Showing his Colours' at the top of New York's Empire State Building on a freezing cold day late last month.

How's is that for devotion in the extreme.



'Showing their Colours' here are Richard (13) and Daniel (16) Hudson of Cirencester.

The picture was taken by their Dad, Brian while they were on holiday in Gascony, South West France. They have both been season ticket holders for seven and a half seasons and sit in the Nationwide Stand.



Can you guess who this current Town player is? This picture was found in the depths of our archive and to give you a clue he is pictured elsewhere in this programme...





# Swindon Town Look-a-Likes

Please send in your suggestions to PIA Sport, The Litten, Newtown Road, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 7BB, or e-mail nick@pia-am.co.uk.



Malcolm Crosby



Grandpa Simpson

Thanks for everyone who has recently sent stuff in to us. But we are still looking for any more bits and pieces, so keep'em coming!



Here is the latest instalment of Ken MacKenzie's travels around the world. This picture is another picture of Ken 'Showing His Colours', this time in Thailand. This time he is wearing his Town shirt witha group of 'dressmakers' in Bangkok - they were very impressed with the quality of Town's new strip.

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### Town Ladies:



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the players and staff of Swindon Town Ladies F.C.



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# **Matches from Memory**

**By Dick Mattick** 



Swindon looked to be coasting at half time with a 2-o lead but were stung by the Bees coming back with two goals in the last minutes of normal time.

Swindon's cause in this match had not been helped by the fact that Charlie Henry had limped off with a ligament injury just before half time and forced a reshuffle as, at this time, only one substitute was allowed.

The replay saw Town call up Colin Ballie as full back but, within a minute of the kick-off at Griffin Park, Jimmy Allan slipped and sustained a hamstring injury which left him hobbling for the rest of the game. The game was a somewhat illtempered one and, after 18 minutes. Kevin Baddeley and Terry Hurlock were both dismissed by the referee John Martin when they engaged in a kicking contest with each other. The heavy pitch was of a type, which can frequently lead to mistakes and goals, but by half time neither side had scored. This changed almost as soon as the second half began. Francis Joseph robbed Leigh Barnard and set up Gary Roberts for a goal that was almost a carbon copy of a goal Swindon had conceded in the previous game. Showing great character Swindon battled back, but after Paul Rideout had been wayward with a shot and Andy Rowland had scored with both his

Swindon's best hope of progressing to Rnd 3 seemed to have vanished when a 2-2 draw was the best they could manage in the first match of the FA Cup tie at home.





foot and head it began to seem as though Town's Cup trial might be at its end. Tony Mahoney suffered a broken leg making one tackle as Swindon continued to attack. An equaliser finally came when Paddy Roche failed to hold a fierce shot from Rideout and Andy Rowland was on hand to score as the ball dropped loose. Swindon continued to press but nearly paid for earlier missed chances when Terry Rowe broke through only to shoot wide.

The match went into extra time and it was not long before Town Manager, John Trollope, brought on substitute Brian Hughes. With the game 102 minutes old it was Hughes who broke down the left and crossed to Rowland who headed the ball back into the six yard box where Howard Pritchard swept it in. Town did not clinch victory until the final minute when Pritchard on the right found Paul Batty who had worked

tirelessly throughout the game. Batty neatly beat Graham Wilkins before smashing home a powerful shot, which gave Roche no chance. It had been a great victory and Clive King wrote "It would be easy to pick a hero but virtually impossible to pick the hero."

Swindon made further progress in the following round putting seven goals past Aldershot before going down 3-1 at Burnley.

#### Swindon:

Allan, Baillie, Baddeley, Emmanuel, Lewis, Graham, Pritchard, Batty, Rideout, Rowland and Barnard (Hughes 96).

#### Brentford:

Roche, Rowe, Wilkins, Booker, Whitehead, Hurlock, Kamara, Joseph, Mahoney (Brown 57), Bowles and Roberts.

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#### (HOME) Saturday 30th December 3.00pm

Picture: Martin Butler

It was only the second run out for what was then Colin Todd's new-look squad when they travelled the short trip down the M4 to meet local rivals Reading. The impressive Madejski Stadium was the venue for what turned out to be a rather glum day for Town despite the bright sunshine.

The match itself was a hot-blooded affair with hard tackles flying in but it was Reading who made most of the early running. Reading boss Alan Pardew had been given the financial clout to bring in new faces Martin Butler, Adi Viveash and Tony Rougier towards the end of the previous season and during the summer. It was the latter that caused the Town defence so many problems, putting on a masterful display of skill and speed earning him the man of the match award without scoring a goal. In fact it was the other pricey forward Martin Butler that opened the scoring on 17 minutes before captain Darren Caskey sealed the 2-0 win early in the second half. Things are very different now with Town on the up and Reading struggling for consistency.

## **V Walsall Football Club**

#### (AWAY) Monday 1st January 3.00pm

Picture: Paul Hall

Having followed the Town through the relegation trap door at the end of last season, Walsall have been one of the surprise packages this term, few would have thought they would have been able to sustain their early promotion push. Ray Graydon's side raised a few eyebrows with five wins out of five (including a 4.1 win at the County

Ground) in the league. A couple of blemishes on the record against Bury and Brentford didn't stop the Saddlers from going top of the league in December but they were subsequently deposed by Millwall.

Ray Graydon's summer signings have been instrumental in the side's impressive form. The much travelled striker Paul Hall, signed from Coventry City has been in blistering form, his pace threatening Division Two defences all season. This, together with those that Graydon managed to keep hold of (Darren Wrack and Gino Padula), has created a winning combination of youth and experience.





# **Bliss, Camera Action**

As most of us prepare to settle down in front of the Christmas television, we take a look at Five of the Best footballing moments recorded on film for eternity.

#### World Cup Final 1978 Argentina v Holland -Mario Alberto Kempes

The World Cup finals of 1978 were one of the most eye-catching ever witnessed. Argentina was the setting and the home nation were fervently supported by their thousands of fans.

One of the greatest-ever scenes filmed of a football match was the final itself. The stage was set wonderfully by the fans filling the River Plate Stadium and, under the guidance of coach Cesar Louis Menotti, the Argentine team took the field to what can only be described as a sea of blue and white.

The Dutch were the opposition but 'the star of the show was the Argentinian's only foreign-based player, Mario Kempes, who plied his trade for Valencia in Spain. In the 3-1 win over the Holland, Kempes scored two goals and won the hearts of his nation.

For the first he ran on to a through ball and slid it beneath the advancing keeper. For his second, Kempes was to dribble the ball through the orange defence to score on his second attempt as the goalkeeper had bravely thwarted the first.

For both, he and his team-mates celebrated in a style worthy of the occasion.



 Amazing scenes as the team take the pitch for the final.



The ball nestles to give
Kempes his first of the match.



5, Kempes seals the 3-1 win with his second after two attempts.



 Mario Kempes slides the ball past the 'keeper into the net.



4. Mario Kempes celebrates the first of his strikes.



6, Kempes peels away as his team-mates jump for joy.



At the tender age of 17, Pele was thrown into the action of the 1958 World Cup Final, although national coach Vicente Feola took some persuading by Pele's team-mates that he was ready to play on the biggest stage of all.

The final started fiercely, with the home nation taking the lead in the 4th minute through Liedholm. Six minutes later Vava equalised and then scored again to put Brazil in front. The stage was set for the Pele to score one of the World Cup's finest goals.

The ball was floated into Sweden's crowded penalty area, Pele controlled the ball on his chest then looped it over the advancing defender before spinning and volleying the ball past the awe-struck goalkeeper.

Brazil added two more, including another for Pele, either side of a consolation goal for Sweden.





1, The ball is crossed into the Swedes' penalty area.



3, The ball drops and Pele notices the on-coming defender.



5, Pele volleys past the static Swedish goalkeeper for 3-1.



7, Pele heads his second of the match and confirms the win.



2, Pele controls the ball on his chest while under pressure.



4, Pele loops the ball over the his head and looks to goal.



6. The ball comes to a halt at the back of the home side's net.



8, 17-year-old Pele is the star and is held aloft by his team.



#### Five Of The Best:



World Cup Finals 1970 Brazil v England -Bobby Moore

It was in Group 3 of the 1970 World Cup in Mexico that Bobby Moore will be remembered for the individual brilliance that made him one of the world's greatest-ever defenders.

Brazil's Jairzinho was one of the tournament's brightest stars making history by scoring in every round of the tournament as Brazil recorded their second World Cup win. A player of amazing power and skill, he picked up the ball approaching the half way line.

Confronted by a two-on-two situation, the Brazilian set off on a forward run that was to take him into a head-to-head confrontation with England's own hero and captain of the 1966 World Cup winning side.

Only a perfectly timed challenge would bring this surging run to its conclusion and Moore willingly obliged, denying what seemed an almost certain goal. His composure exemplified everything that this great player stood for and it will be remembered as one of the greatest ever tackles.





1, A team-mate quickly releases Jairzinho down the right flank.



 lairzinho looks up a sees he only has one man to beat.



3. The Brazilian forward takes off on a driving run.



5. Moore takes his chance and slides in at Jairzinho's feet.



strides away with the ball.



4. The Brazilian record-breaker comes face-to-face with Moore.



6, England's captain cleanly takes the ball from the Brazilian.



 Bobby Moore maintains his composure and passes the ball.

#### Five Of The Best:

World Cup Finals 1986 England v Argentina -Diego Maradona

The diminutive Argentine led his team to the pinnacle of World football, but not before shattering English hearts with two goals in the quarter-final of the World Cup in 1986.

Without drawing too much attention to the first goal scored by Argentina in Mexico, Diego Maradona's second was surely one of the greatest goals ever scored in front of the rolling TV cameras.

A player of sublime skill and quality, Maradona received the ball in the shadows of the Azteca Stadium and what happened next will have English supporters squirming for years to come.

Spinning two English midfielders, Maradona accelerated down the Argentine right flank before turning his run goalwards. Squeezing between two more helpless defenders, he set his sights on goal and, before you could ask why Terry Fenwick hadn't felled him before he got into the box, the ball had been glided into the corner of Peter Shilton's net and the man from Buenos Aires celebrated wildly with his team-mates.





 Diego leaps with Shilton and scores with 'The Hand of God'.



2, Maradona receives the ball in the shadow of the Azteca.



3, Maradona spins past two England midfielders.



5. Maradona 'ghosts' past Terry Fenwick in England's defence.



7, Maradona runs to celebrate arguably the best ever goal.



4. The Argentine captain cuts in from the right wing.



6. The challenge comes too late as Diego slides the ball home.



8, Later, Maradona lifts the World Cup for his country.



#### Five Of The Best:



Final 1966 England v West Germany - Geoff Hurst

This week's winner, and probably the most-used piece of goal footage ever recorded, was the defining moment of England's triumphant World Cup campaign of '66 and one that Geoff Hurst will be forever remembered for.

England's big and powerful centreforward had emerged from the shadow of the great Jimmy Greaves and took his chance to become the first player ever to score a hat-trick in a World Cup Final. His first was a well-taken header, followed by the disputed second given by 'the Russian linesman'.

The game was reaching its climax when Bobby Moore floated a long ball up-field for Hurst to chase and we all remember what happened next. In the immortal words of Kenneth Wolstenholme "there are people on the pitch, they think it's all over", Hurst drove the ball into the roof of Tilkowiski's net and Wolstenholme proclaimed "it is now!" .

 The goal sealed England's historic 4-2 win and meant that the Jules Rimet trophy stayed on British soil.



1, Geoff Hurst heads an equaliser and scores his first of the final.



2, Was it or wasn't it? Hurst's shot bounces over the line.



3. Moore lofts his clearance into the path of Hurst.



5, 'There are some people on the pitch' as Hurst sets his sights.



4. Hurst races onto the ball and heads for West Germany's goal.



6, England's hero unleashes a powerful strike on goal.





7, The helpless West Germany 'keeper watches it into the net.



8, Ball is the first to congratulate Geoff Hurst on his hat-trick.

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Valsall Football Club

Millwall Football Club

LDV Vans Trophy

Second Round

Tuesday 9th January 7.45pm

Monday 1st January 3.00pm

### **Travel Information**

Walsall Football Club. The Bescott Stadium

Ground Capacity: Club Nickname:

9.000 The Saddlers



Adult Fare: £9.00 U-15 Fare: £8.00



Depart WEST SWINDON: 11.00 Depart COUNTY GROUND: 11.15 Depart ERMIN STREET: 11.30

### **Travel Information**

Millwall Football Club. The New Den

Ground Capacity: Club Nickname:

20,146 The Lions



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## Swindon Town Football Club Supporters' Club



On perhaps the worst night of the year, (although there have been a few recently) The Vale of White Horse and West Oxon satellite group held their meeting at Hanney Royal British Legion. Peter Rowe and Malcolm Crosby answered a series of questions from the floor and despite the weather, we believe they enjoyed the evening and questions to such an extent that they have promised to do it again in the future. Watch out for further news.

Today, we hope to reach a milestone with our Robins Revival Half Time draw when we should break through ticket sales of 10,000 since we started selling tickets at matches towards the end of last season. This draw is the cornerstone of our fund raising efforts and we appreciate the commitment of all ticket sellers and of course everyone who purchases a ticket . Whether you win the main prize each match or not, everyone is in fact a winner as all funds raised go towards improving the Football environment for STFC and its supporters.

The winner of the draw, sponsored for the season by the Evening Advertiser, at the last match (Rotherham) was Frank Bunce from Hanney (definitely no relation to our promoter!) with ticket number 51. Frank is one of our regular payment subscribers and won £272, which would have come as an early and welcome Christmas present. We have made previous requests for



match day ticket sellers, but if you have been unable to make a long term commitment, can you help out for an hour before the Coventry match as, with a larger crowd in prospect, we wish to reach as many supporters as possible. If you can help please ring Roger Bunce, the promoter on 01865 820499.

There is at present an opportunity to pay up front for the final 10 matches of the season. Pick up an application form from around the ground, or our match day sellers, or complete the details on the application form printed below and send it to us C/O The County Ground with your payment of £10.

News of today's winner will be included in the Coventry programme.

Average prize money paid this season so far is approximately £260.

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A hectic Christmas schedule is 'under way and it began with a weekend that saw more derbys than Epsom ever has.

The fierce local rivalries seen overthe past three days have been enough to tire even the most ardent of supporters. However, the games continue a-pace and there's no letup over the remainder of the Christmas period. More matches than a case of Swan Vestas are what await us over the next ten days and I, for one, can't wait. There's always something magical about ripping open presents on Christmas day but, as the presents become more practical - wait a minute, if anyone's reading this, Treally need some

more socks because I can't keep wearing my Bart Simpson numbers (cheeky though they are!) forever. My mind begins to wander to the treats that lie ahead. For me, the highlight over the festive season was always a trip to the football on Boxing Day afternoon, wearing my Santa hat and being kept warm by my over-zealous mother, wrapping me up in about 15 different layers including the most riduculously long pair of ski-socks, even though my first ski trip was years in the future! Perched on the terraces, singing as loudly as possible, and hoping that the year's previous form could be overturned - simply because it was the festive period (which strangely enough seems to be the case!).

Everybody else also always appeared to be in high spirits especially a certain member of my family - although I later learned that this had a fair amount to do with the number of high octane spirits he'd consumed the previous day! So, sit back, having eaten your turkey, drank your wine, pulled your crackers, munched your mince pies and consumed your Christmas cake, and enjoy the festive period. Not just for an hour-long special of 'Eastenders' (although they often are extremely entertaining), but for the footballing cavalcade that awaits. Oh!, I wish it could be Boxing Day every day, when the bands starts singing and footballers begin to play ... etc.

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Old Trafford

For the majority of football league clubs, and some in the premiership. selling 100% of their season tickets within hours of them becoming available - and then having to return many more applications than they have accomodated - is something they can only dream of. However, for some clubs this phenomena is a glorious reality.

Indeed, for certain clubs, the numbers of season tickets not being renewed is dwindling at a rapid rate. What appears to be happening is that when a season ticket holder dies, or moves to Outer Mongolia, or for whatever reason can't go to the games, the ticket passes on to a relative or friend. The club is, maybe, notified of a change of address, but nothing else, and the ticket continues to be renewed, under a false name, by the lucky recipient. It is rumoured that some clubs have thousands of 90+ year-old holders! Therefore it is perfectly reasonable to assume that season tickets at certain clubs have become treasured family heirlooms.

Imagine the scenario. The beneficiaries of the last will and testament of Jeremiah Nathaniel Birtwhistle late of Alderly Edge, Cheshire, a Freemason, black

pudding manufacturer and scrap metal mogul, are gathered in the offices of a solicitor in Piccadily, Manchester to hear the reading of the will. The solicitor eventually gets down to the nitty-gritty: "To my son Robert Charlton Birtwhistle I bequeath all my personal possessions and monies, my houses, cars and the yacht. To my son George Best Birtwhistle I bequeath all of my not inconsiderable business interests and properties in their entirety. To my son Duncan Edward Bertwhistle I bequeath my Manchester United south stand season ticket. Dear Robert and George, I'm so very sorry. it's nothing personal, it's just the way the tickets came out of the hat I'm afraid - and it was the solictor that drew them, in front of witnesses, Please don't hate Duncan for your misfortunes".

Maybe this is a situation closer to reality than we think. Tickets for Old Trafford, for example, are fiendishly difficult to get hold of and it's a known fact that many local supporters of Man U have resigned themselves to going to Gigg Lane to watch the reserves, they're never going to get to see a first team home game other than on television. Furthermore, there is a widely-held

conspiracy theory that says you have a much better chance of getting a ticket via a postal application, several months in advance, from an address in Virginia Water than if you live in Moss Side. The reason? the theorists claim that a city whizz-kid from Surrey is much more likely to spend a small fortune in the Old Trafford Superstore than an out-of-work rag and bone man from south Manchester. It's your money they're after, not your passion. Passion doesn't pay share-holder dividends - or so the theory goes.

What's the answer? The only things I can suggest are; proof of identity for season ticket renewal when the club is over-subscribed (fingerprints and DNA samples would be pretty foolproof), the adoption of the time-sharing principle to season tickets, sell them at half price each to two people who then get to go to every other home game (although there is the risk that the temptation to sell them at full price to both people would prove irresistible to some clubs!) and, thirdly, postal applications from addresses more than 10 miles from the ground are incinerated.

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Year in Pictures:

### Year in Pictures With it being the end of the year, we thought it rather apt Actionimages" partone

to take a look at some of this year's sporting memories ...

#### February 2000

John Aldridge's **Tranmere Rovers** defeat Bolton over two-legs to win through to the Worthington League Cup Final.



#### **January 2000**

Swindon Town FC mourn the death of Club president Cecil Green. Cecil had served the club as a player, scout, chairman and president before he passed away at the beginning of the year.



#### March 2000

History is made as England play in Rome for the first time in the new Six Nations Tournament.



#### May 2000

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Manchester United celebrate their fourth Premiership title in six years.



#### April 2000

The British Grand Prix descends into a farce as the torrential rain causes mass floods around the circuit. Coulthard took the chequered flag.



#### **June 2000**

Paul Scholes opens the **England account** against Portugal in the opening match. It was a short-lived celebration as the eventual semi-finalists went on to win 3-2.



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I was delighted to open my account for Swindon, the goalkeeper had left quite a gap and I knew that if I got it around the wall it had a good chance of going in.

I really enjoyed the match as a whole and it shows just how well we can play when we're confident. We got off to a good start and it set the tempo for the rest of the game. Rotherham have been playing well and were unbeaten in quite a few matches and I think we outplayed them all over the park. It's a massive psychological boost for all the lads. We passed the ball well and because of that I seemed to have a bit more time and space in the middle of the park, that situation makes life a lot easier when you're trying to spot the forward runs of the strikers and midfielders.

As in any match, the visitors had their spell of possession and created a few chances. Luckily the post came to our rescue a couple of times but we've needed a bit of that sort of luck. Earlier in the season we weren't getting those kind of breaks. They may feel like they should have had a share of the points but I think that we dominated the game sufficiently to deserve the victory. They pegged us back from being a goal down and the lads showed great character to push our noses in front again.

Confidence is such a big thing in football and when I first joined Swindon I must admit that confidence was low. Having said that, I also knew that the quality of players at the club were not that of a bottom of Division Two side. Over the past month or so we have worked hard, won a few matches and are now playing with a lot of confidence - certainly that was the case against Rotherham. We can't get too carried away and although it was a great result we're all aware that we still have a lot of work to do.

We've got a lot of games coming up and the Christmas period is vital and can determine your aims for the remainder of the season. I've seen a lot of teams in this division now and I don't think we have anything to fear. We're not relegation material, we should be challenging for honours at the top of the table, but I'm sure it won't be too long before we start making a challenge. Teams like Bristol City have already shown this season that you can be languishing near the bottom and. within a short space of time, be pushing for a play-off position.

round the Grounds Ι We take a sneak preview at what's going on elsewhere around the grounds in Division Two.

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This match sees two of the early Division 2 pace-setters meet. However, Rovers challenge has fallen away, funnily enough since the sale of Jamie Cureton to Reading.	<b>()</b>	V	Reading have won on their last two visits to Rovers by the odd goal. Jamie Cureton will want to remind Rovers what they are missing.
Cambridge are struggling after their early-season good form and the sale of young forward Zema Abbey to Norwich will not help matters.		v 🤹	Have won four out of five meetings with Cambridge but are still without the striking prowess of Sean Devine. Scorer of 23 goals last season, Devine has not kicked a ball this season through injury.
This will be the fourth meeting between these sides this season. However, this is the first league encounter after the two clubs were drawn together in both the League Cup and LDV Trophy.		/	The Posh have drawn twice at Kenilworth Road this season and disposed of the Hatters in the LDV Trophy, although it was Luton who took the honours in the League Cup meeting.
Millwall have won their last four meetings with Colchester at the New Den. They'll need to continue that run if they are to retain the top spot.		/	Haven't beaten Millwall in their last seven encounters dating back to 1980 when they were 3-0 victors.
Northampton Town have not met City at home since 1997 when they ran out 2-1 winners. The good form of Jamie Forrester could make the difference.			City last won away at Northampton six meetings ago in 1988 when they were convincing 3-1 winners. Danny Wilson is getting the best out of his side and could turn the Cobblers over.
Oldham Athletic were the winners of the last two meetings with Wigan. In their previous six meetings the points have not been shared.	•		The two clubs have three wins a-piece in their six meetings. Wigan last beat Oldham away 3-2 in 1998.
Shared the spoils with Bournemouth last season, both teams making their home advantage count.	(UNITED )	1	The Cherries last beat Oxford at the Manor Ground in 1995 with an emphatic 3-0 win.
The Millers have not beaten Notts County home or away in their previous five meetings. Their last win was a 2-o victory in 1996.	V	答	The Magpies have not won away at Millmoor since their 2-1 win in the old Division Three in 1990.
Stoke City have been the victors on the last two visits of Bury. Last season City romped to a 3-0 win in this fixture.	V		Andy Preece's men last won away at Stoke by a 2-1 score line in 1992. Surprisingly, Bury have beaten Stoke 23 times in all competitions compared to the Potter's 27.
The competition between these sides is finely balanced with 15 wins to Walsall's 14. Last season, home advantage was key in their respective victories.	V		The Saddlers last won at Swansea some six visits ago in 1984. Kyle Lightbourne grabbed Walsall's consolation goal in their 2-1 defeat the last time the two sides met.
The Robins have not met Vale since 1994 when they recorded a 2-1 win.	80 V		Vale were convincing 3-1 winners at Wrexham • but it was some 14 years ago.

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TUE	OCT	31TH	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	H	3-1	3.452	20	GRITHINK	Dunt	VAN DER LINDER	Wittes	ROBINSON	WOAN	Invincipile 2	O'HALLORAN	How
SAT	Nov	411	WYCOMBE W.	H	1-1	5,226	20	GREMINE	DAVIS	VAN DER LINDEN	WILLIS	ROBINSON	REEVES		O'HALLORAN	REEVES
TUE	Nov	7th	WREXHAM	H	2-2	4,423	18	GREMINK	ROBINSON	Davis	WILLIS	VAN DER LINDEN	O'HALLORAS *	INVINCIBILE	O'HALLORAN	WD4R
SAT	Nov	1178	PETERBOROUGH UTD	A	0-4	5,700	20	GRIEMINE	ROBINSON	Wittes	VAN DER LINGEN	DAVIS +	O'HALLORAN	Howz	Invincinit	REEVES
SAT	Nov	18TH	ILKESTON TOWN (FACT	H	4-1	4,406		Manenman	Davis	Wasts	VAN DER LINDEN	COBAIN *	O'KALLORAN	ROBERTSON "	Hows	WOAN
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SAT	2.20	16TH	ROTHERHAM UTD	H	2-1	4,740	20	GRIEMINK	Davis	ROBIESON	REEVES	Reeves	Hows	WOAN	O'HALLOHAN Z	Devinica L
SAT		23RD	BURY	A	10-250	141 10		and the second	SAME	ROBINSON	RIEVES	HOWE	DRYDEN	WOAN	INVINCIBILE*	WHITLY

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## Your Chance to be a Mascot on 6th January 2001 - FA Cup 3rd Rd

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TUESDAY DECEMBER 26TH 2000 3.00PM VS BRENTFORD

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- Replica Kit
- Goodie Bag
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- Meet the players & lead the team out
- Photograph with the captains and officials on the pitch
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- The Chairman's Buffet lunch

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TEAM	PLD	HW	HD	HL	HF	HA	AW	AD	AL	AF	AA	GD	PT
MILLWALL	2	17	1		20		6	2	3	20	.14	21	42
WIGAN	21	9	<b></b>		16	6	2	8	1	13	11	12	42
WALSALL	21	8	3	0	25	9	4	2	4	12	12	16	41
ROTHERHAM	21	6	2	3	23	15	6	2	2	14	11	11	40
READING	20	8	1	1	32	9	3	1	6	10	16	17	35
BRISTOL CITY	21	4	3	4	21	13	5	4	1	13	6	15	34
STOKE	20	4	2	3	14	9	5	4	2	19	14	10	33
WYCOMBE	21	6	1	3	16	11	2	5	4	5	9	1	30
WREXHAM	21	2	5	12	15	4	3	3	2	0	19	-2	29
PETERBOROUGH	21	6	2	2	16	10	2	2	7	8	16	-2	28
NORTHAMPTON	20	3	3	3	10	11	5	1	5	12	13	-2	28
COLCHESTER	21	4	3	4	11	10	3	3	4	10	11	0	27
NOTTS COUNTY	20	3	3	3	15	15	5	0	6	9	18	-9	27
BRENTFORD	19	4	4	2	12	15	2	4	3	10	15	-8	26
BOURNEMOUTH	20	3	4	3	11	8	3	3	4	20	16	7	25
CAMBRIDGE	21	4	4	3	19	13	2	3	5	11	18	-1	25
BURY	20	4	3	3	11	13	3	1	6	8	15	-9	25
BRISTOL ROVERS	20	0	5	4	6	13	5	3	3	18	10	1	23
OLDHAM	20	4	2	4	13	13	2	3	5	10	19	-9	23
SWINDON	21	3	4	4	14	20	3	1	6	7	18	-17	23
PORT VALE	19	4	4	3	18	10	1	1	6	4	16	-4	20
SWARSEA	28	2	1	4	9	10	121	1	5	10	17	-8	19
LUTON	20	2	1	1	9	18		1	4	11.	18	-16	15
Oxford	21	20	2	7	10	15	12	1		12	31	-24	1

Nationwide Division Two 2000/2001

#### Appearances 2000/2001

PLAYER NAME:	Squap ND.5	APPS.	Cur Arrs.	TOTAL APPS	SOALS AL
BART GRIEMINK	1	21	5	26	
MARK ROBINSON	2	19(1)	3(1)	22(2)	1
SOL DAVIS	3	17(1)	5(1)	22(2)	
MATTHEW HEWLETT	4	10	4	14	
ADAM WILLIS	5	17	2(1)	19(1)	1
ANTOINE VAN DER LINDEN	6	7(5)	3	10(5)	
KEITH O'HALLORAN	7	20	6	26	4
BOBBY HOWE	8	13(2)	4	17(2)	3
GIULIANO GRAZIOLI	10	4(10)	1(3)	5(13)	1
DAVID DUKE	11	13(4)	4(2)	17(6)	1
JUAN COBIAN	12	2	3	5	
STEVE COWE	14	1(3)	(2)	1(5)	2
ANDY WILLIAMS	15	2(4)	(2)	2(6)	-
IM WHITLEY	16	1		1	
DANIEL INVINCIBILE	17	19(1)	3(1)	22(2)	8
GARY ALEXANDER	18	10(3)	4(1)	14(4)	2
FRAZER MCHUGH	20				
GARETH DAVIES	21				
ALAN REEVES	22	18(1)	6	24(1)	4
STEVE MILDENHALL	23	(1)	1	1(1)	
RICHARD DRYDEN	25	3		3	
MARTIN WILLIAMS	24	16	5	21	3
ALAN YOUNG	26	(1)	(2)	(3)	1
IAN WOAN	31	8	2	10	1
CHARLIE GRIFFIN		(1)	-	(1)	
KIM HEISELBERG		1	1	2	
MARK ROBERTSON	•	4(4)	2(1)	6(5)	1

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Swindon Town		otball Club
The Squad	The Squad	affleins
Bart Griemink	Andy Woodman	1
Mark Robinson	Danny Boxall	2
Sol Davis	ljah Anderson	3
Matthew Hewlett	Robert Quinn	4
Adam Willis	Darren Powell	5
Antoine van der Linden	Scott Marshall	6
Keith O'Halloran	Paul Evans	7
Bobby Howe	Gavin Mahon	8
Giuliano Grazioli	Lloyd Owusu	9
David Duke	Scott Partridge	10
Juan Cobian	Andy Scott	11
Steve Cowe	Martin Rowlands	12
Andy Williams	Jason Pearcey	13
Jim Whitley	Tony Folan	14
Daniel Invincibile	lvar Ingimarsson	15
Gary Alexander	Derek Bryan	16
Frazer McHugh	Olafur Gottskalksson	17
Gareth Davies	Gareth Graham	18
Alan Reeves	Paul Gibbs	19
Steve Mildenhall	Kevin O`Connor	20
Martin Williams	Lorenzo Pinamonte	21
Richard Dryden	Richard Kennedy	22
Alan Young	David Theobald	23
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	Michael Dobson	25
	Mark Williams	26
	Jay Smith	27
· ·	Nevin Saroya	28
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Saturday December 30th 2000 **Nationwide League Division Two VS Reading** 

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Tue 26th Dec 2000 Nationwide League **Division Two** 



#### Match **Officials**

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Assistant 1	-
R. J. Evans	
Assistant 2	
R. G. James	
4th Official	
C. J. Francis	
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#### Match Facts

Half-Time Score

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