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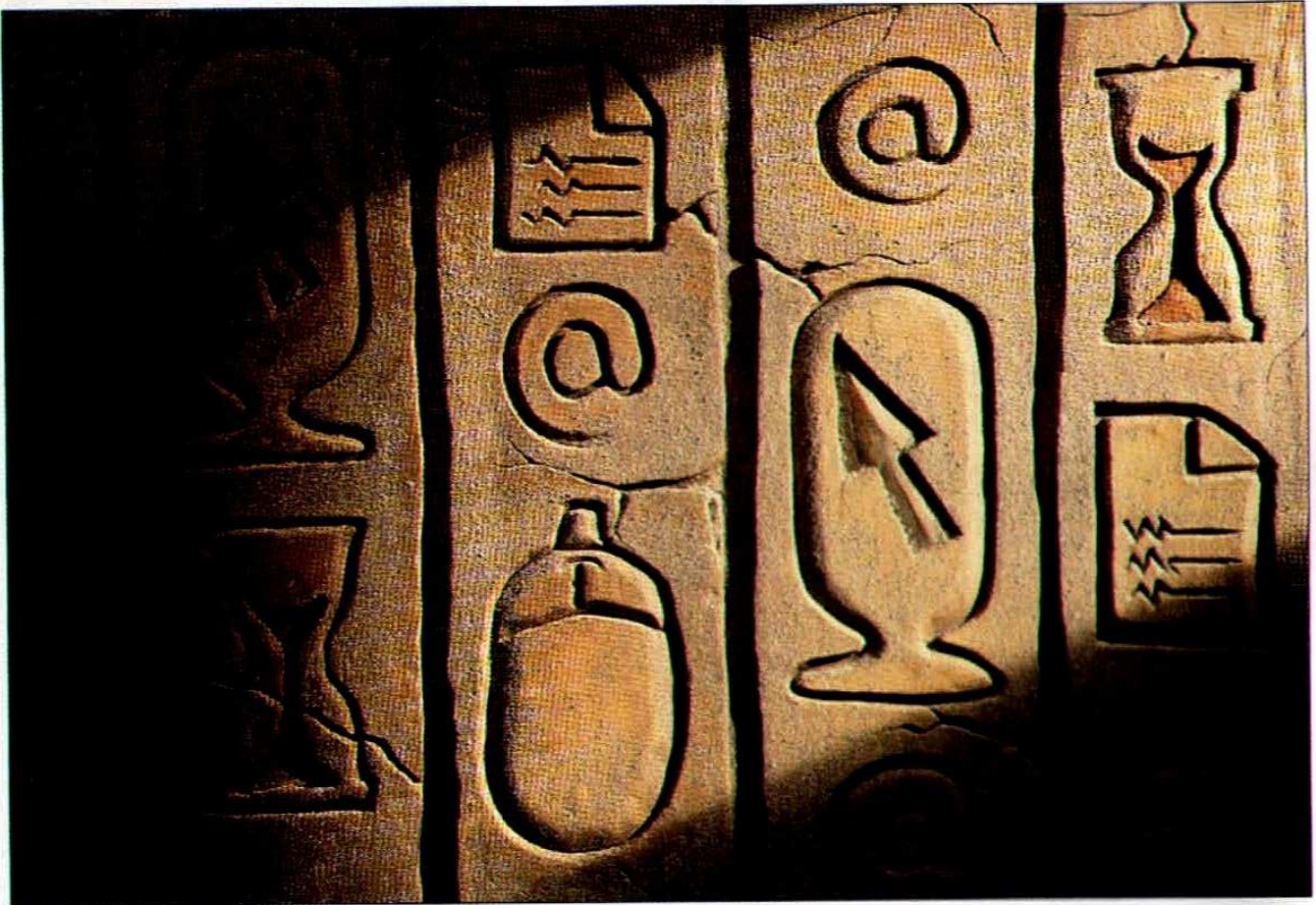


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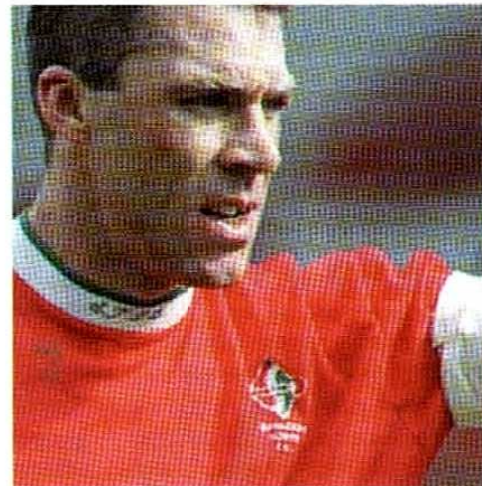


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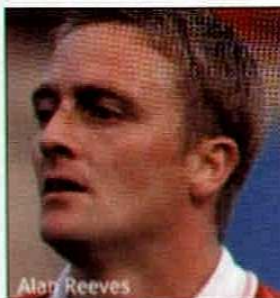
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A Warm Welcome:

Victory Breeds Confidence

There is a saying in football that victory breeds confidence and the past couple of week's here at the County Ground have certainly been a major confidence booster.

The much needed victory over Bury in our last League match at home gave everyone a big lift. That was followed by a terrific LDV Vans Trophy win over Wycombe Wanderers. Wycombe boss Lawrie Sanchez put out a near full-strength



Alan Reeves

side for the game believing he had a chance of getting some success in this year's competition. That feeling was quickly snuffed out by Gary Alexander's two-goal salvo.

The decision to open only the Arkell's Stand on the evening proved popular as it helped to create a great atmosphere in the ground. We did not expect more than 2,000 for the game but over 3,200 turned up - which caused some queuing to get in as kick-off approached.

I have received a couple of letters about this and I can only apologise if it caused anyone a problem. About 750 extra fans turned up for the game fifteen minutes prior to kick-off and there was a delay in opening more gates. I have spoken to the key staff at the club and we will endeavour to improve on this as I believe it is unacceptable to ask our customers to have to wait to gain entrance - especially as it meant that many missed the opening goal. I am also aware of a problem in seating everyone once inside and I have again spoken to key staff about a better 'customer care' approach in dealing with this in the future.

The Wycombe victory gives us the opportunity to travel again to Essex on a Tuesday evening for a game - let's hope we do not suffer the same fate as our latest visit when the game against Colchester United was called off very late. The ticket prices for this

game are again very competitively priced at £10 for adults and just £1 for children. I know it is a long way to travel on a Tuesday evening but the lads would really appreciate your support. The run was extended by an excellent display at Wrexham last weekend and once again I have to applaud the small but very noisy band of Town supporters who made the long trek north.

Today sees us hosting another derby game - this time against Bristol City. The fortunes of both clubs have differed since we last met at Ashton Gate in early September. On that day an Alan Reeves goal gave us the points. Since then City have put together an impressive run and have moved into play-off contention.

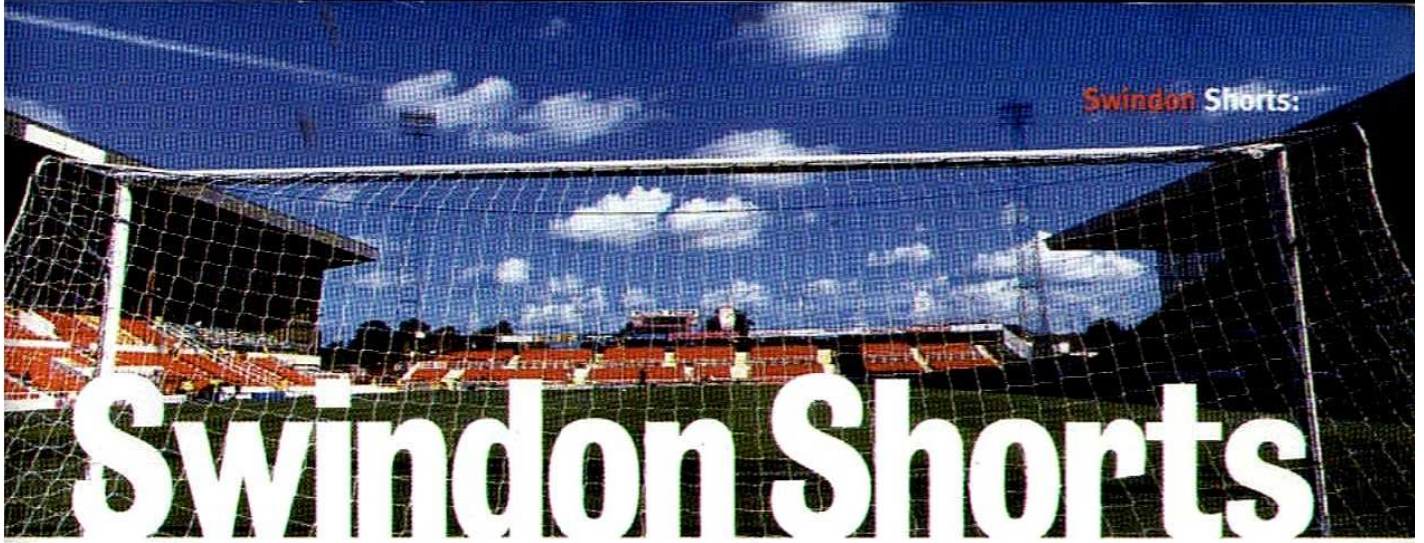
This afternoon it is also my great pleasure to welcome an old friend - and boss as a guest of the club. FA Premier League chief executive Richard Scudamore and I worked together at the Football League about 18 months ago and I am delighted that he has accepted my invitation to attend the game. Richard is a Bristolian so I know where his loyalties lie - however today we will attempt to notch a notable double over our west country rivals.

A warm Wiltshire welcome to the directors, management team, players, staff and supporters of Bristol City - but as always there is only one winner - Come on you reds!

Peter Rowe
Chief Executive

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Swindon Shorts

Re-Arranged Fixtures



Town's postponed fixtures at Colchester and Brentford have been re-arranged.

The fixture to be played at Layer Road will take place on Tuesday March 20th at 7.45pm, the away fixture at Brentford will take place on April 10th - also at 7.45pm.

Town have also announced ticket prices for this Tuesday's LDV Trophy clash against Southend United at Roots Hall on the 13th February, kick-off 7.45pm. Adults can get in for £10.00, concessions for £5.00 and children just £1.00. So come and support the lads and help them get into the Southern Section Area Final.

Matchday Stewards Wanted

Swindon Town Football Club currently has vacancies for Matchday Stewards. Full training is provided to achieve the recognised qualification.

The rates of pay are good so if you would like to come along for a game and spend time with a steward to get first hand experience of what the job entails, then you are more than welcome. If you would like to be part of STFC then call the stadium manager Ron Topp on: 01793 333734.

Shooting Stars

Youngsters in Swindon will have the chance to measure the speed of their shots and meet Town players at the Swindon Town Community Office fun week over the school half-term.

The three-day courses run from February 20-22 beginning at 10.00am each day and ending at 3pm. Everyone attending will receive a special Town goody bag and there will also be several prizes on offer for individual performances.

The cost for the whole course is £30 and further details can be obtained from Community Officer Clive Maguire on 01793 421303.



Programme Fair

Town fans can obtain football programmes and other football memorabilia at a special Programme Fair to be held at Cheltenham Town FC.

The Fair organised by Bobs Football Programmes will take place on on Sunday 25th Feb. Cheltenham Town Football Programme Fair Cheltenham F.C. Club House Wadden Road, Cheltenham, Glos - 11am-2pm Free Admission

“Brian Flynn said after the game that he couldn't believe that his side weren't ten down at half-time, I would have settled for six...”

Hello and welcome to today's local derby against Bristol City here at the County Ground.

Today's encounter looks set to be an exciting one, both Bristol City and ourselves are coming into the game on the back of some good form. After a series of postponements we got a much-needed win against Bury, not only did we get three points but we also played very well, battled hard and created chances. To continue that form the following Tuesday in the LDV Trophy was very pleasing.

The side that faced Sanchez's side had changed from the team that beat Bury but the system stayed the same and we showed the same guile and desire, I was especially pleased with Gary Alexander who scored an impressive brace.

Gary has struggled to score this season and as a result he has taken a lot of stick from myself and the fans. At the end of the day the lad is only twenty-one and he has had to come into a struggling side where he has perhaps not been receiving the ideal service.

He has worked very hard on his game and hopefully those two goals will give him the confidence to go and score more goals. He could have scored a couple on Sunday against Wrexham, he didn't get on the score sheet but he did get in goal-scoring positions which is promising. I think anyone who went to the Racecourse Ground would be disappointed that we didn't collect all three points. Brian Flynn said after the game that he couldn't believe that his side weren't ten down at half-time, I would have

settled for six but then again I probably would have settled for a point before the game. We started so brightly, the whole team working well together from the back three, right through the midfield to the duo up front and I really believed that we were going to win, if only we had taken some of the numerous chances we created. Wrexham are one of the better sides we have seen at the County Ground this season and so to play like we did on their territory was superb. There are two ways we can look at the result, on the one hand we threw away two points and on the other, we didn't lose - when you are in the position we are in you have to think about not losing. Recently, with the quality of performances in the last three games, we can go on from that and start to look at winning games on a regular basis.

Manager's Message:

King, pictured here during the Coventry game

The most disappointing thing for me about Sunday's game was the way in which we played in the second half. We got involved in situations off the ball and lost our composure which was very unprofessional. We also lost Ian Woan and there is no doubt that we lost the balance that his left foot gives the side.

On the other hand we had James Williams and Steve Mildenhall who both managed to maintain their places in the side. Along with Frazer McHugh, Williams and Mildenhall have done everything asked of them recently and have added something extra to the side. When there is competition for places everyone works that little bit harder and it creates a healthy atmosphere in the squad.

Today we play a side that are

looking to gain promotion into Division One. I have said many times this season that there are no sides in this league that are unbeatable, there are no Manchester United's and so there is no reason why we can't win.

Obviously there are better sides and there are more consistent sides but I certainly don't fear Bristol City. What I will say is that they are a very good side and are a good example to everyone in this league. I have got nothing but admiration for Danny Wilson and his side, he had a lot of critics early on in the season when the side were struggling but he has been great for the club.

He kept believing in his players and he would appear to have turned them round into a confident outfit, they have repaid him with a great

run of form. They are now looking to go up and will be after three points to keep them in touch with the top six.

After our recent run, we have to set ourselves targets and we should be looking to go a fourth game unbeaten, a sequence of results that would be our best spell of form this season.

May I wish Danny Wilson, his management team, directors, players and supporters a warm welcome to Swindon today. From all accounts they are bringing a large number of supporters with them, so let's get behind our lads again and continue this good run of form.

All the best and enjoy today's game.

Andy King

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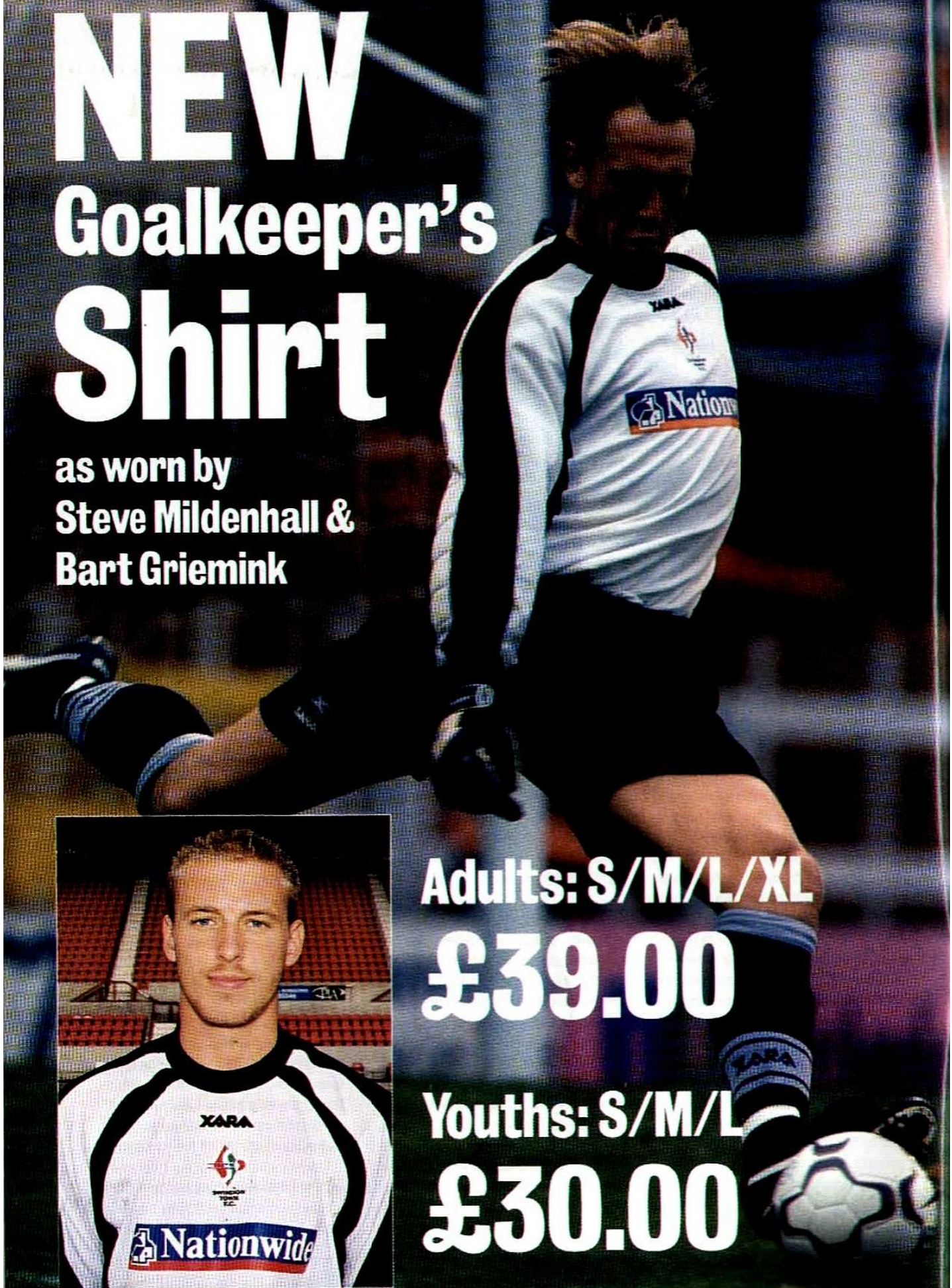


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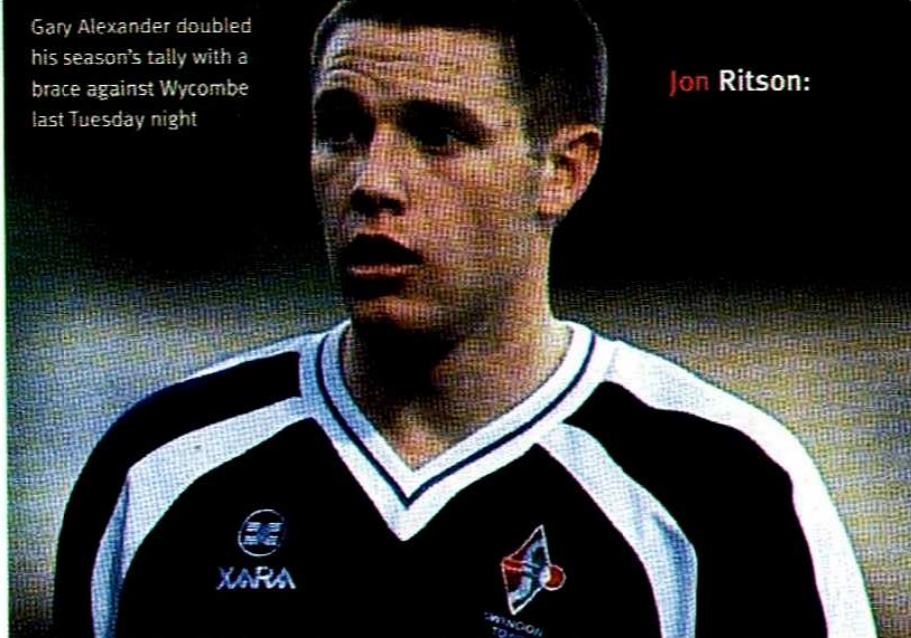


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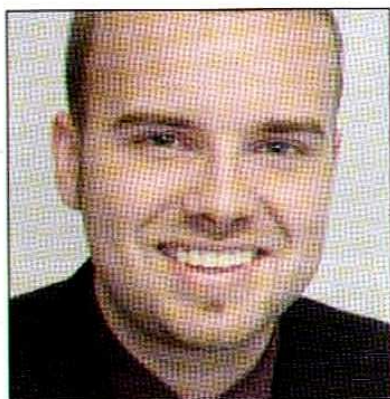
Did anyone see a suspicious character spitting a dummy out of a pram at the LDV game against Wycombe Wanderers? Apparently this person doesn't like seeing his team lose. Answers on a postcard to...

Gary Alexander doubled his season's tally with a brace against Wycombe last Tuesday night

Jon Ritson:



Signs Of Recovery



The whole episode was frankly rather pathetic. Gary Alexander had a superb game and took both of his goals extremely well. To then hear him being slated by a rival manager was quite unbelievable.

The lads back at Advertiser Towers couldn't believe it. Neither could Andy King. Full marks for sticking up for Gary. Our young striker has had to bear the weight of expectation in a struggling side. No easy task and the fans have been a touch impatient with him at times. Hopefully, there is some light at the end of the tunnel and his partnership (however brief) with Michael Reddy will hopefully reap some reward. However, with Antoine Van Der Linden netting at Wrexham, maybe he'll be demanding

another stint upfront. The deserved win over Wycombe paved the way for an area semi-final with Southend United. The lads must go into this game as favourites but this is just the sort of banana skin which could yet spoil plans for that big day out in Cardiff in April. Talking of Wales - what a bizarre afternoon in Wrexham. A thoroughly professional first half was followed by an extraordinary second 45 minutes. What Darren Ferguson was getting his knickers in a twist about, I'll never know.

Maybe he was trying to impress his dad who was watching from the stands. Admit it. We've all been there. Trying to impress a relative or a new girlfriend that we're really God's gift to football. Yet how often do you end up having a stinker because you're trying too hard?

Anyway, the Ferguson episode aside, it was a valuable point in the fight against the dreaded drop. While nobody is 'too good to go down' the attitude on the pitch really does seem positive. Heads are not dropping and the players are all determined to avoid those trips to Halifax and Plymouth next season. It is encouraging that the gaffer can now chop and change without seemingly weakening the side

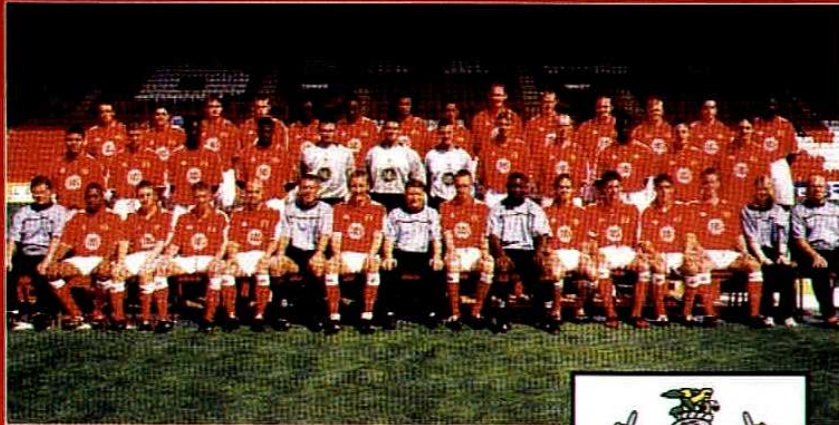
too much. Players like James Williams and Frazer McHugh have done all that could be asked of them and others are knocking on the first team door. We are not out of the woods yet by any means but Andy believes the signs of recovery are there. It is hard to disagree with that assessment and cautious optimism has to be the view taken.

Today we welcome old rivals Bristol City to the County Ground. Danny Wilson's side will be desperate for the points to keep up their pursuit of a play-off spot but also to avenge defeat at Ashton Gate when an Alan Reeves goal was enough to secure our first away win of the season. Derby games are usually tight affairs but with a three-match unbeaten run to defend, our visitors will not be in for an easy afternoon - whatever the league table might suggest. It's days like this that Matt Hewlett must find frustrating beyond belief.

Get behind the lads and let's generate a fantastic atmosphere this afternoon. See you all back here for the Bournemouth game on February 20th.

Jon Ritson
Evening Advertiser
Town reporter

Bristol City Football Club 2000/01



Back Row: (left to right) Gerard Lavin, Tony Thorpe, Mickey Bell, Joe Burnell, Marvin Brown, Aaron Brown, Carl Hutchings (now at Southend United), Scott Murray, Peter Beadle, Alex Bail, Paul Holland, Neil Ashley, Simon Clist, Paul Mortimer

Middle Row: Kyle Sheppard, Danny Coles, Kevin Amankwaah, Kayode Odejayi, Steve Phillips, Billy Mercer, Antony Malessa, Mark Lever, Andrew Jordan (now at Cardiff City), Damian Spencer, Louis Carey, Simon Clist

Front Row: Tony Fawthrop (Academy Director), Matt Hill, Jamie Edwards, Alex Meechan (now at Forest Green Rovers), Ivan Tistimetanu, Shaun Taylor (Reserve Team Manager), Keith Millen (Club Captain), Danny Wilson (Manager), Brian Tinnion (Senior Coach), Leroy Rosenior (Senior Coach), John Burns, Tommy Doherty, Craig Woodman, Robin Hulbert, Gill O'Shea (Physiotherapist), Buster Footman (Kit Manager)



The Robins...

By John Westaway

Rudyard Kipling must have had Bristol City supporters in mind when he wrote about learning to treat triumph and disaster in the same way.

City supporters - at least those over 35 or so - have had to do just that as City hit the heights of the old First Division for four years in the late seventies, before plummeting to the lower reaches of the old Fourth Division within three years. Since then, City supporters have had their hopes raised (successive Wembley finals in the eighties, promotion to the old Second Division in 1990 and the new First Division in 1998), only for them to be even more quickly dashed (relegation to the new Second Division in 1995 and 1999). It is not surprising then that more experienced City watchers view the

signs of progress in the last twelve months with some caution. But signs of progress there undoubtedly are. After the managerial merry-go-round of the last three years, City seem to have found a gem in Danny Wilson. The current team has a good shape, plays good passing football, can dig in when necessary and contains a good balance of youth and experience. Academy youngsters blooded in the second half of last season - like Simon Clist, Aaron Brown, Matty Hill, Kevin Amankwah and Joe Burnell, all aged 20 or less - have secured their places in the squad, where they line up alongside more experienced players like Keith Millen, Brian Tinnion, Tony Thorpe and Lee Peacock.



ClubFACTS...

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Nickname: The Robins

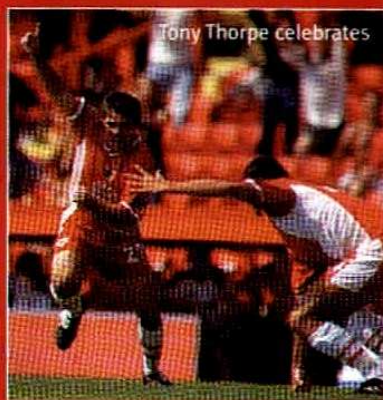
Ground: Ashton Gate

Capacity: 21, 479

Year Formed: 1894

Highest League Scorer:

Don Clark, 36, 1946/47



Tony Thorpe celebrates

Onwards & Upwards?

After a dodgy start and a number of long term injuries to key players, City find themselves in good shape.

A fifteen match unbeaten run (following Town's 1-0 win in September), progress in the FA Cup, young players queuing up to break into the first team and a resounding

victory over Bristol Rovers have helped City supporters enter 2001 with optimism. Nevertheless, the Robin's faithful know not to get too carried away, past victories over the likes of Arsenal, Liverpool and Manchester United have been followed by defeats from Aldershot, Chester and Doncaster!

A former Northern Ireland international midfielder who was appointed as City manager on 27th June 2000 on a 12-month rolling contract.



Meet Danny Wilson



Danny was previously at Barnsley whom he guided into the Premiership for the first time in the club's history in 1997, only to see them relegated after only one season. The side's attractive passing style of play won them many admirers however, and he was appointed as manager at Sheffield Wednesday in July 1998. Wilson took the Yorkshire giants to 12th in the Premiership during his first season but was dismissed shortly before the

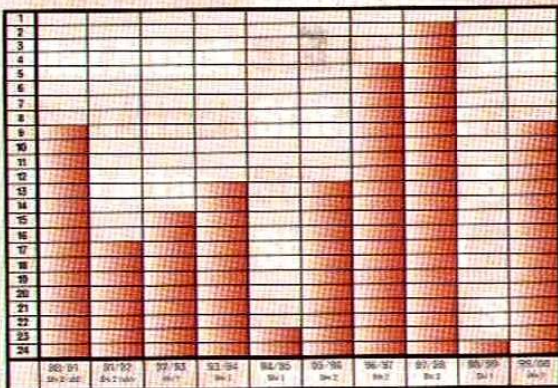
club were relegated last season. As a player Danny was capped 24 times by Northern Ireland and won League Cup winners' medals with Luton Town in 1988 and Wednesday in 1991.

He also played for Bury, Chesterfield, Nottingham Forest, Scunthorpe United, Brighton & Hove Albion and Barnsley in a League career spanning 18 years and 626 appearances (scoring 95 goals) before retiring to become Barnsley's full-time boss in 1997.



Club Facts...

Ten year record...



The last five meetings...

Bristol City	0-1	Swindon Town	(Div 2)	09-09-2000
Bristol City	3-1	Swindon Town	(Div 2)	28-12-1998
Swindon Town	3-2	Bristol City	(Div 2)	05-09-1998
Bristol City	0-0	Swindon Town	(Div 2)	30-03-1996
Swindon Town	2-0	Bristol City	(Div 2)	07-10-1995

Bristol City...

Full time results...

Bristol City 11-0 Chichester City 1960/61 **Record win**
 Bristol City 0-9 Coventry City 1933/34 **Record loss**

Club honours...

Division Two (Old) Champions 1905/06
 Division Three (South) Champions 1954/55

Next five fixtures...

Sat Feb 17	Bristol City	V	Oldham Athletic	H
Tue Feb 20	Brentford	V	Bristol City	A
Sat Feb 24	Colchester Utd	V	Bristol City	A
Sat Mar 3	Bristol City	V	Oxford Utd	H
Tue Mar 6	Bristol City	V	Walsall	H

Top goalscorer's ...

Thorpe	15
Peacock	9
Murray	8

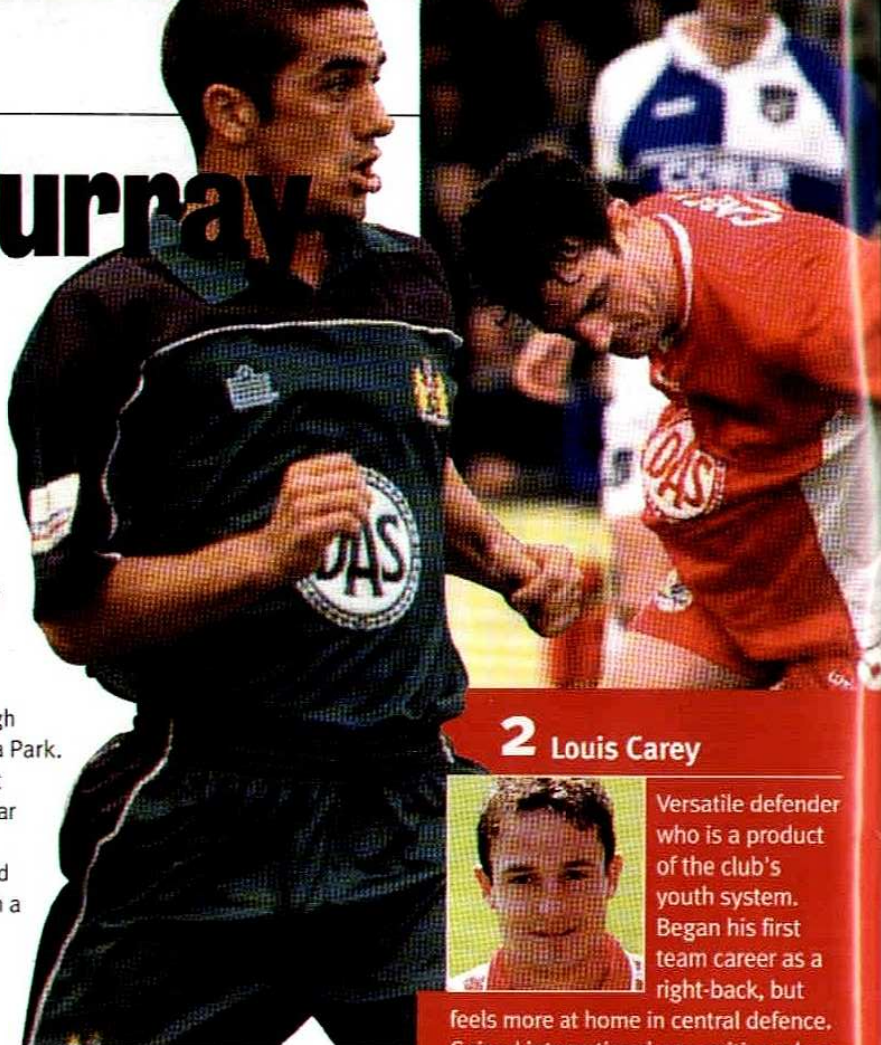
The Visitors:

Scott Murray

Pacy winger now valued in the £1 million bracket after his match-winning performances for City last season when he scored 11 goals.

Signed from Aston Villa in December 1997 for an initial fee of £85,000, rising to £150,000 on appearances.

Began his career as a striker at Fraserburgh before converting to the right flank at Villa Park. Popular with both fans and team-mates at Ashton Gate, he has signed a new four-year contract this summer. Rarely out of the starting line-up, has dramatically improved his shooting ability. It is believed that with a bit more control and composure, Murray can become a folk hero at Ashton Gate.



2 Louis Carey



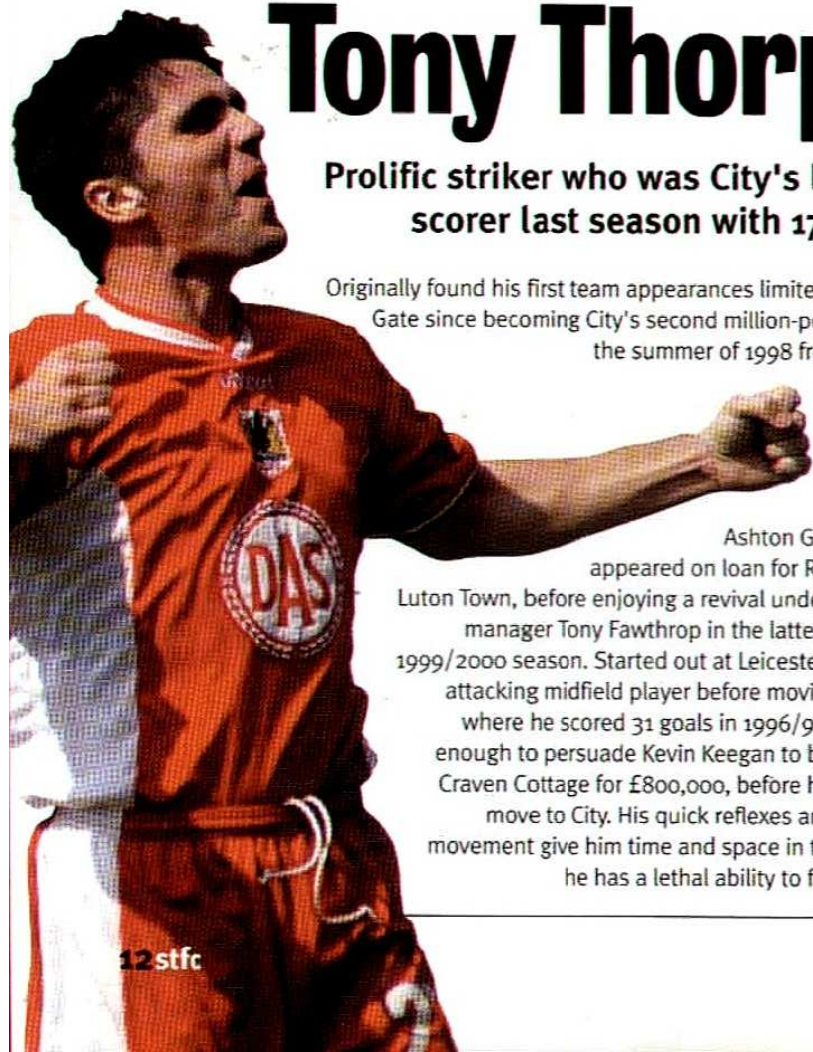
Versatile defender who is a product of the club's youth system. Began his first team career as a right-back, but

feels more at home in central defence. Gained international recognition when he played in a friendly for Scotland under-21's. Signed a new four-year deal in July 2000.

Tony Thorpe

Prolific striker who was City's leading scorer last season with 17 goals.

Originally found his first team appearances limited at Ashton Gate since becoming City's second million-pound buy in the summer of 1998 from Fulham.



Whilst at Ashton Gate, Thorpe appeared on loan for Reading and Luton Town, before enjoying a revival under caretaker manager Tony Fawthrop in the latter half of the 1999/2000 season. Started out at Leicester City as an attacking midfielder before moving to Luton where he scored 31 goals in 1996/97. That was enough to persuade Kevin Keegan to bring him to Craven Cottage for £800,000, before his eventual move to City. His quick reflexes and speed of movement give him time and space in the box and he has a lethal ability to find the net.

3 Mickey Bell

Stylish left-back snapped up from Wycombe for a tribunal fee of £150,000. Formerly with Northampton Town, he provides City with a number of options down the left flank. A member of City's 1997/98 promotion-winning side and is the club's main penalty and free-kick specialist.

5 Keith Millen

Vastly experienced centre-back who has quickly established himself after signing from Watford. Made more than 500 career appearances for Brentford and Watford and played a leading role in the Hornets' promotion campaigns from Divisions Two and Three in the late 90s.



9 Peter Beadle



Well-travelled striker who arrived at Ashton Gate from Notts County in a £200,000 deal in November 1999.

Scored ten goals in City's colours last season. Has also appeared for Gillingham, Bournemouth, Southend, Watford, Bristol Rovers and Port Vale.

16 Lee Peacock



Powerful striker who became City's third most expensive signing ever when he arrived from

Manchester City in a £600,000 deal in August 2000. Began his career as a trainee at Carlisle United before moving to Mansfield Town where he was a prolific scorer for The Stags in Division Three.

27 Kevin Amankwaah



Pacy right-back who can also play in central defence. Was spotted playing for Middlesex Youth and has

progressed through the ranks. Made his first team debut in March 2000 and came on as substitute at Wembley in the Auto Windscreens Shield final versus Stoke City.

11 Brian Tinnion

Cultured left-footed midfielder who is currently City's longest-serving player. Has been a major member of the first-team since a £180,000 move from Bradford City in 1993. Has been influential since reverting to a central midfield role under Danny Wilson.

22 Aaron Brown

Skillful left-footed midfielder who is a product of City's Academy. Made his first-team debut as an 18 year-old in the First Division in December 1998 and is now a regular member of the senior squad. Spent a month on loan to Exeter City in January 2000.

30 Marvin Brown

England under-17 international, who became City's youngest ever player at 16 years and 71 days old when he came on as sub in a Worthington Cup tie at Nottingham Forest in September 1999. A product of the club's Academy, Marvin is younger brother of City midfielder Aaron.

14 Steve Phillips

Goalkeeper who joined City in November 1996 from non-league side Paulton Rovers. A good shot-stopper, he made steady progress at Ashton Gate under goalkeeping coach Mike Gibson and earned his first team debut in December 1998. Played a total of 16 games in Division One two years ago.

24 Matt Hill

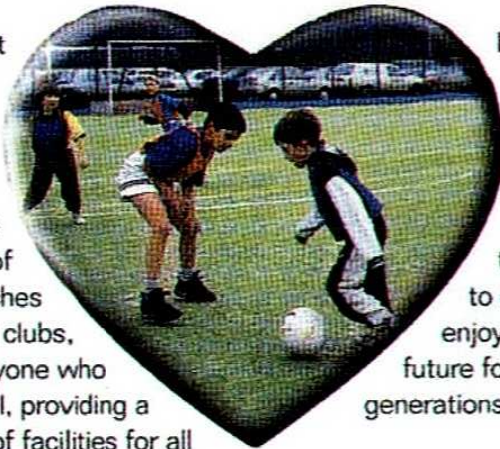
Tough-tackling defender who can play at left-back or in the centre of defence. Progressed through the ranks to make his first team debut at the age of 17 in the First Division. Has featured regularly in the first team squad since the 1999/2000 season.

31 Simon Clist

Attacking central midfielder who joined City after impressing as a trialist in an Academy tour of Holland in May 1999. His impressive form for the reserves last season won him a first team debut in January 2000 and has been a regular in the squad since.

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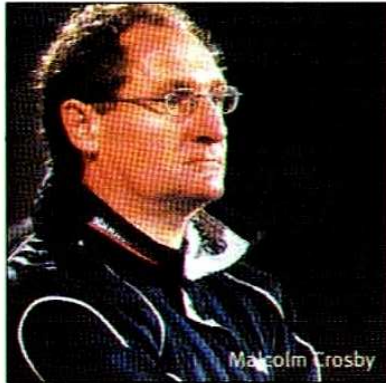
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James Williams scored in the 2-1 win against Leyton Orient.

Reserve News:

Classy Fulham Expose Town



Malcolm Crosby

What a difference a week makes, a fortnight ago Swindon had travelled up to London to defeat lowly Leyton Orient, the next we were getting beaten by Fulham's second string.

Goals from Alexander and James Williams secured a victory for the Town at Leyton Orient, a win that continued their impressive season near the top of the table. However, fortunes changed for Malcolm Crosby's side at Motspur Park as they were outclassed by a fine all round performance by the Londoners.

Swindon were forced to field a young side as a result of many of the regular players playing the night before or playing a part in the squad that beat Wycombe Wanderers in the LDV Trophy. Town's lack of experience was exposed by a classy Fulham side including Trollope, Lewis and Wayne Collins. Despite a superb effort from the lads, Malcolm Crosby admits that his side were outclassed, "Fulham had a very strong side and so it was a bit of a mis-match.

Nevertheless the game was a great character building exercise for the lads. They have had to come in several times this season and it was great to see them pit their wits

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Reading	14	9	2	3	23	12	+11	29
Oxford Utd	16	9	2	5	25	18	+07	29
Swindon Town	15	8	4	3	28	13	+15	28
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Colchester	11	2	2	7	11	19	-08	8
Barnet	10	1	2	7	10	20	-10	5
Peterborough	12	1	2	9	8	19	-11	5
Leyton Orient	11	0	2	9	8	22	-14	2

against such a classy side. At the end of the day we could have done with three or four older professionals but it can't be helped when the first team has midweek fixtures."

Despite the defeat, Town's reserve side lie fifth in the league and having played just one more game than the leaders. "This has been a great season so far for the reserves, we have had to field a lot of younger players and it has been a great learning curve for them. This defeat was a setback but we must not forget how good Fulham are."

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Wed 11th Apr	Oxford United	2.00	3-0
Wed 30th Aug	Brighton	2.00	0-1
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Wed 20th Sept	Bristol Rovers	2.00	P-P
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Wed 11th Oct	Colchester	2.00	1-1
Wed 1st Nov	Southend	2.00	P-P
Mon 6th Nov	Peterborough	2.00	2-0
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Wed 29th Nov	Luton Town	2.00	4-2
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Wed 24th Jan	Gillingham	2.00	P-P
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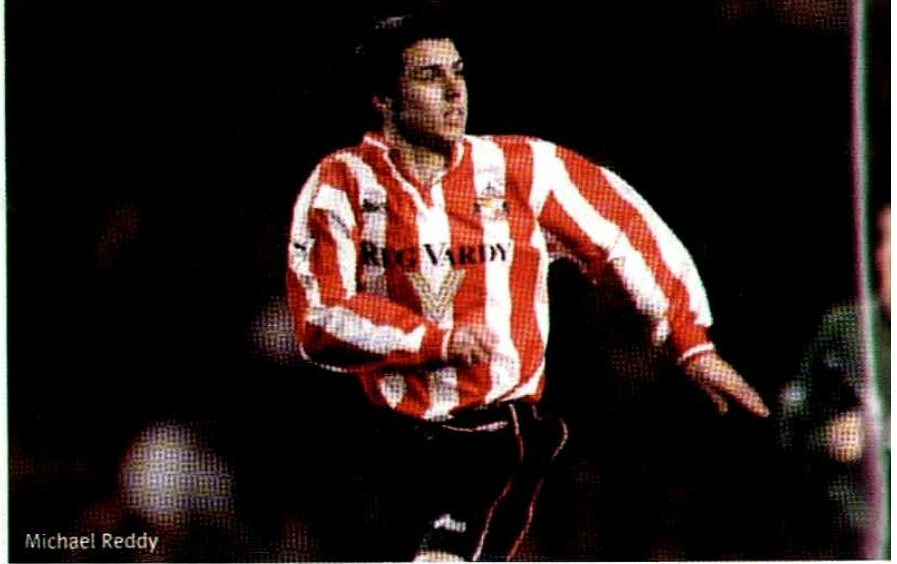
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Dan Chisholm:

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There's been a lot of talk recently about what a new stadium will mean for Swindon Town.



Michael Reddy

Reddy Steady Go



Whilst the debate over the Front Garden site continues, there's no doubt the new facility is an important one for the future of the club.

But what use will a site capable of attracting thirty-odd thousand people be if the 'fans' can't be bothered to turn up?

I know it's an expensive game to watch, and that people want to see a successful team, but on limited resources, we have to start somewhere. Where have the so-called 'faithful' fans who returned for the FA Cup tie against Coventry gone?

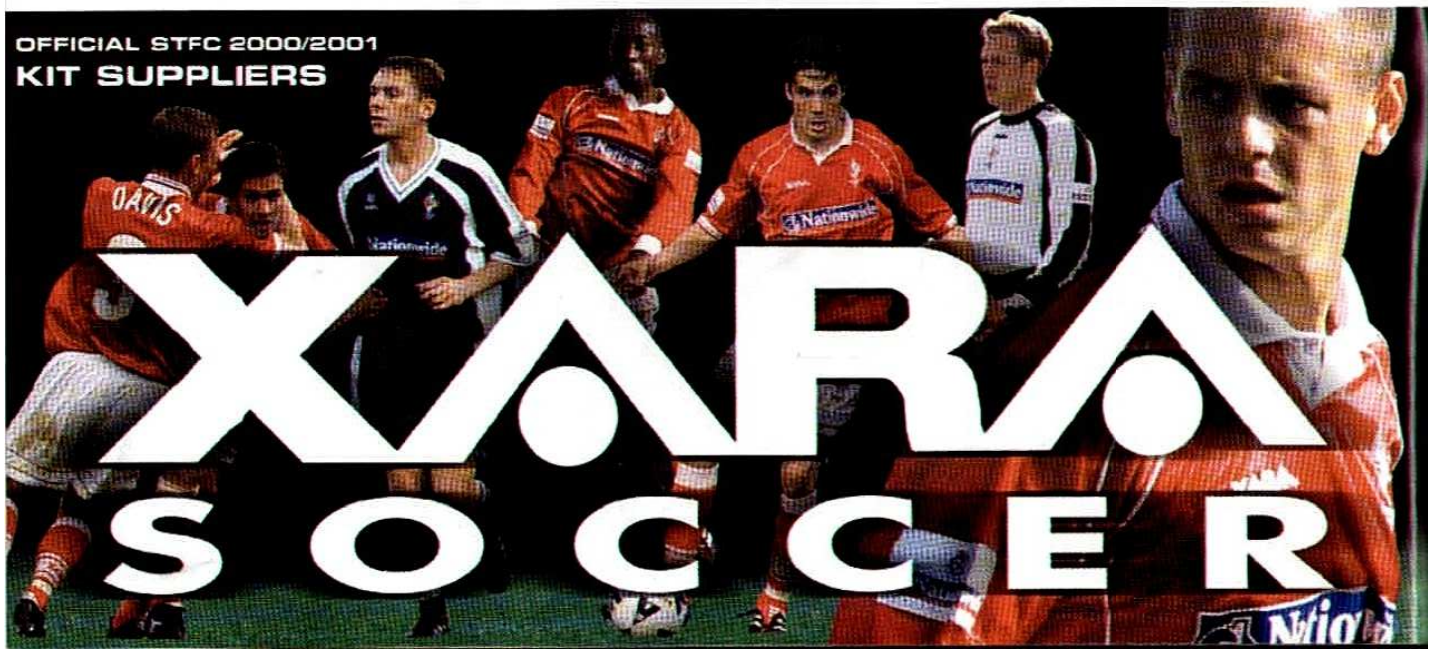
Perhaps today's visitors may give us a clue. Bristol City have really started to take shape under Danny Wilson and have sold their ticket allocation. The side is patient in build-up and they play a flowing, passing game rather than lumping hopeful balls forward. Above all, they have true quality in Tony Thorpe who's set to pass his twenty goal target for the season. He

believes there's still plenty of room for improvement in his game - and with eighteen league games to go, I believe he will get close to his best-ever tally of 31 from his Luton days. If you have a striker like that - he'll bring the crowds in. As did Ade Akinbiyi, Andy Cole and Chris Garland in years gone by.

Perhaps the County Ground will find Michael Reddy as that man. Our "Mr Football" Shaun Hodgetts tells me that Town boss Andy King wants him to be more selfish and go for goal. Let's hope so. That'll bring the 'fair weather supporters' back.

Dan Chisholm
Breakfast presenter

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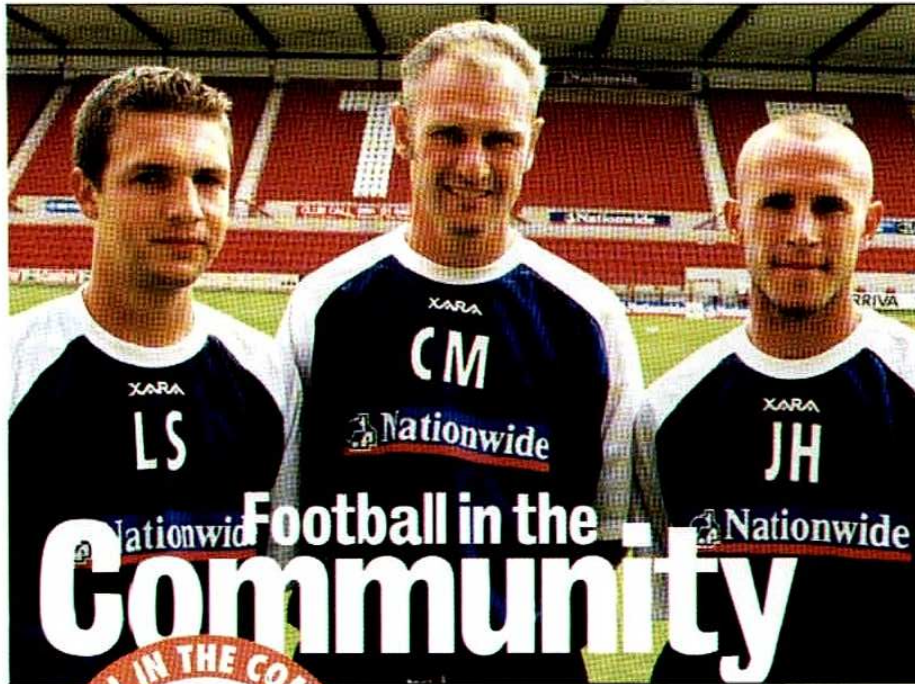
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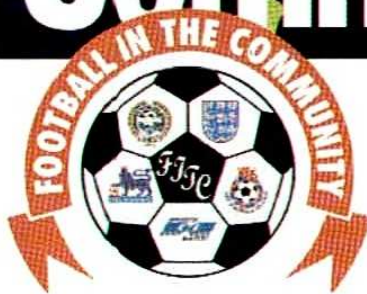
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Steve Hillman is here with his Welton Rovers Under-10's. Let's hope they all have a great day and bring us luck for today's crucial game. Our first course of the year is just around the corner so please get your applications back to us to avoid disappointment. The dates are the 20th, 21st and 22nd February here at the club.

This years annual six-a-side competitions have been first class and we have hosted them over the course of the past three Thursdays. The primary schools tournament saw Salt Way and Chiseldon battle through to the final beating off stiff opposition from the other 24 schools who took part. The girls U13's competition was played in

great spirit on the 1st February with Dorcan and Braydon Forest getting through to the final. The finals will be arranged over the next few weeks here at the County Ground so keep your eyes peeled for further information.

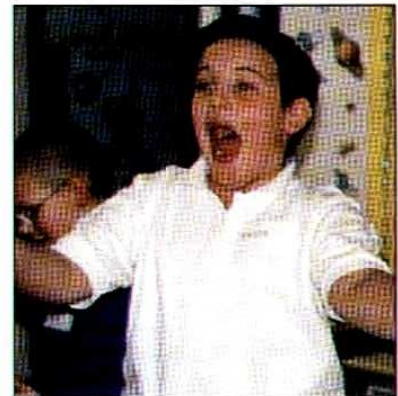
Our table top football tournament is now well under way, we are visiting several schools over the past few weeks. We will be able to tell you our finalists names in the next addition of the matchday programme.

Hare are some pictures of the children taking part at Mylands school. Colin Jones (Teacher) said, "The children had a great time taking part in the competition, I am sure you will agree that these photo's tell the story!"

'Till next time, keep cheering.

Best wishes,

Clive, Jon & Luke



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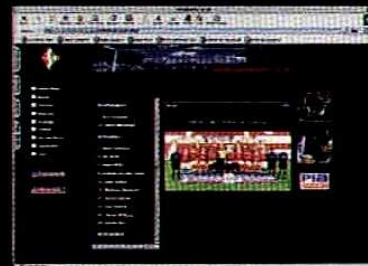
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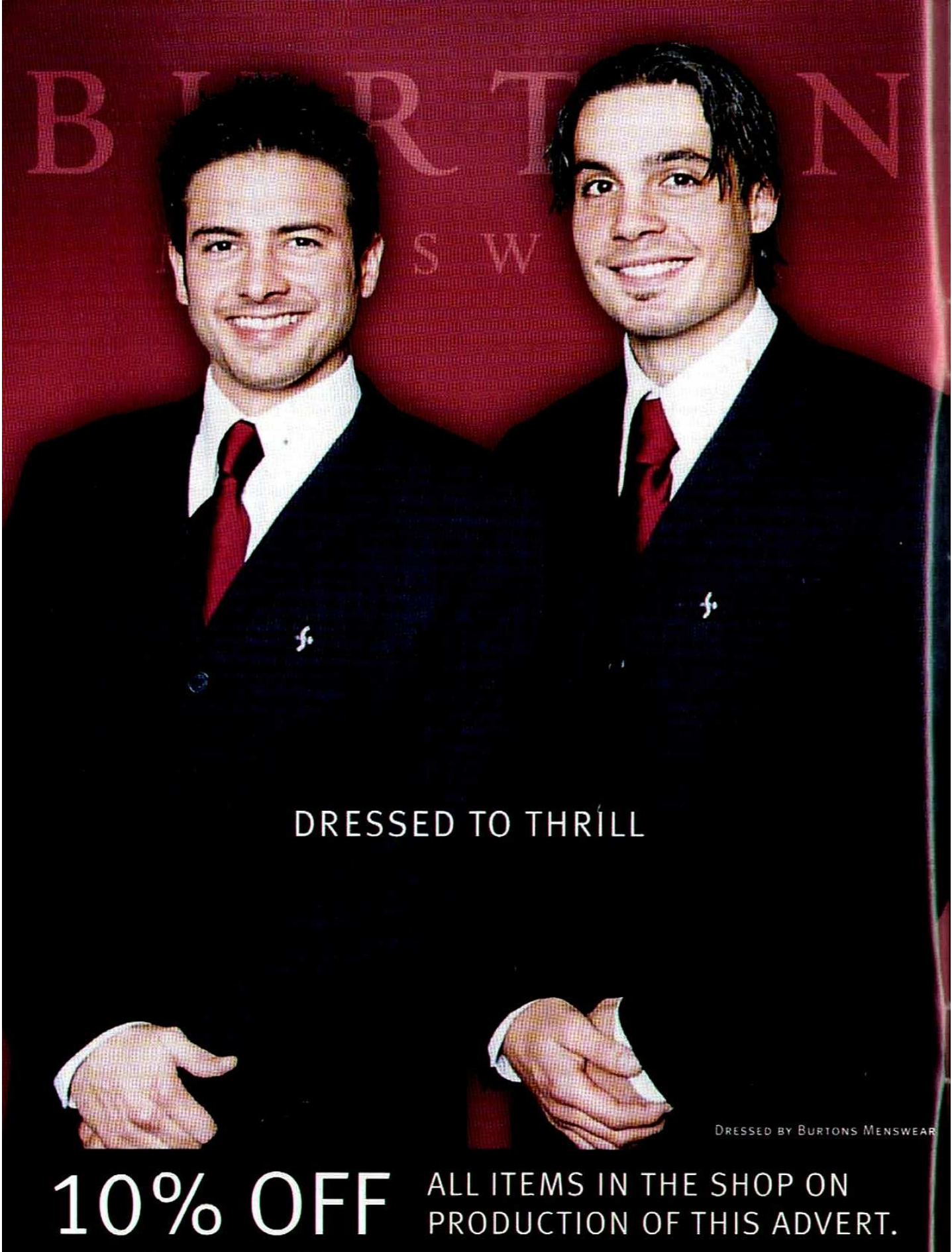
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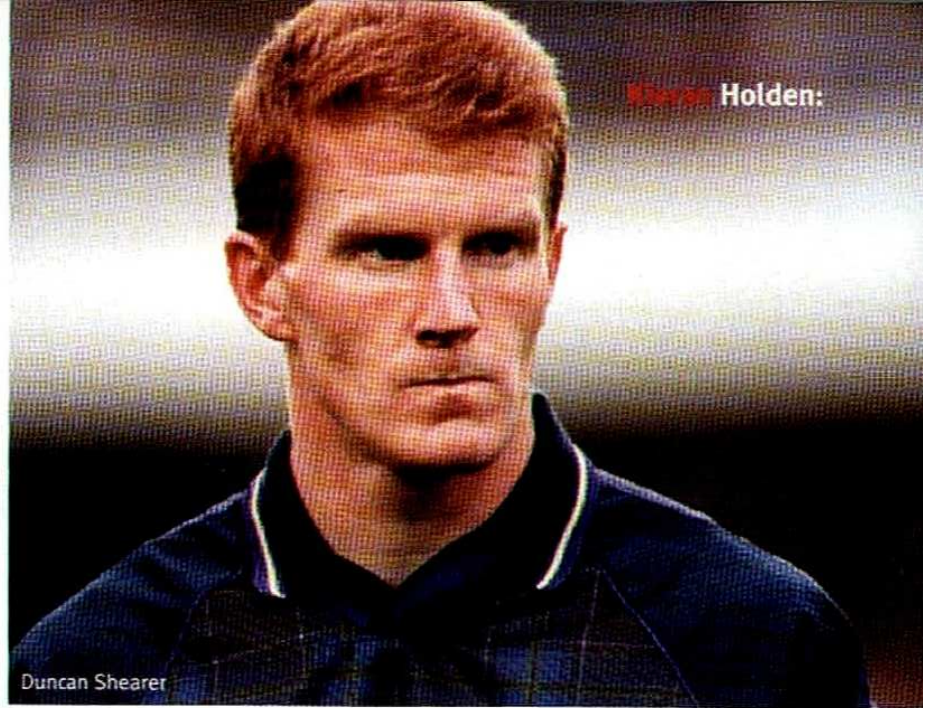
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Duncan Shearer

Let Them Come



The showdown at Ashton Gate is remembered by both sets of fans for differing reasons, for ourselves the sweet smell of success from a hard earned derby victory away from home, for them, a spirited charge up the table began not too long after Alan Reeve bundled in the 81st minute winner.

City went unbeaten for a long time and transformed from expensive Second Division flops to promotion chasers. In fact their rise up the table has been a great cause of concern for myself. At present I stand to lose

a great deal of money to a City fan who is here today. His name is Mat Trewern, I'll mention it again... MAT TREWERN, he used work at BBC Wiltshire Sound before we found out about his addiction to the Ashton Gate cause, so we sent him packing.

As I am sure you know, I am not a person to 'shoot my mouth off' but somehow I agreed to a wager on the championship, promotion as well as a pound for every place that Swindon would finish above City. However that was before I realised that their manager Danny Wilson was the former Barnsley and Sheffield Wednesday boss and not the 1980's singer who had a hit with "Mary's Prayer". Don't spend the cash just yet Mat.

My ramblings would not be complete if I didn't charter the success of Town over City over the last few years. Of course last time they were here, even under the 'guidance' of Steve McMahon we managed to beat them 3-2 and we only had 9 men and who could forget that derby demolition at Ashton Gate in 1991, including Duncan Shearer's double in the 4-0 win. But that is not the biggest win

we have recorded over them, cast your mind back to October 1953, the final score Swindon Town 5 (FIVE) Bristol City 0. I would settle for that today, (let us remember league form goes out of the window in a local derby).

Another belated welcome, this time to Michael Reddy, he made an immediate impact on his debut against Bury, lets hope he can 'bury' City this afternoon. (Yeah I know that was really lame).

Lets get behind Andy and the Boys this afternoon and shout them to victory, and a six point maximum over Bristol City!!!

Come on YOU REDS...

Kieran Holden
Matchday Announcer

Keep those requests and dedications coming in, if you want a song played before or after the game let me know, 01793 333 700, or countyground@email.com. I am sure I can find the tune you want, thanks to my friends at HMV in Regent Street, Swindon.

Where Are They Now?

Ooh Shaun

One club's loss is often another's gain, none more so than when Town legend and defensive stalwart Shaun Taylor made the short move west to join Bristol City. We took the opportunity to welcome Shaun back to the County Ground.

Are you looking forward to coming back to the County Ground this Saturday?

This is only the second time I have been back to the County Ground competitively, the other being the NSPCC match a couple of months ago when I played, so yes, it is nice to return. I did come and watch the game last Tuesday night (Wycombe) and I am always greeted so kindly by everyone, especially the fans.

Do you still follow results or keep in touch with any of the players?

You have to appreciate that there aren't many players here from my era, only Mark Robinson and Steve

Cowe but I do still follow results. I still live in the area and with Paul Bodin at Bath I speak to him. I also keep in touch with Colin Calderwood and Martin Ling a couple of times a year, but that NSPCC match was a great opportunity to meet up with them all and talk about the good old days!

Can you remember your favourite goals?

The goal at Wembley has to be up there! As a child you dream about scoring at Wembley and to actually do it in a game where Premiership status is at stake is something I will always remember, although it wasn't the greatest goal!

Another one came in the 6-4 victory at Birmingham. It was 1-0 to them and I was being treated for a head injury on the sideline, during which time they'd scored a second! I remember coming back on and

making it 2-1, at that score we had a chance. Unfortunately after half time we went 4-1 down and so Glenn (Hodde) moved in front of the back four and it changed things dramatically. I think Dave Mitchell got a hat trick and we came away with three points!

You spent five great years here, what were some of the highlights?

I joined in 1991 and we had a couple of really exciting seasons: the promotion in '94; the season in the Premiership when perhaps we weren't good enough to stay up, the subsequent relegation and then another promotion.

I played every game in that Premiership season and I think we proved to ourselves that we were good players. We drew about fifteen games and if we had won just five of those we would have stayed up.



Taylor

Bristol City reserve team manager Shaun Taylor pictured here in his Swindon days as captain

How hard was it for you to settle in at Bristol City having played for Swindon?

It is hard for any player when joining a new club to fit in, but you have to try and enforce your own authority. To be honest I don't think it mattered, the Bristol rivalry exceeds this one and so I never really had that much of a problem. I would like to think that I have got the same affiliation with the Bristol City fans now that I had with the Swindon supporters.

Can you describe your role at Bristol City?

I am reserve team manager but I do still have a playing contract until the end of this season. In March last year I aggravated my achilles for the second time but you can never say never! Being reserve team manager is a full time job, I deal with the players in the morning, maybe work with some of the under-19's and, as it stands at the moment, it would

take a massive effort in order to be fit enough to play in the second division. I have a good liaison with Danny Wilson and his assistant Frank Barlow and they involve me with first team proceedings.

Does this mean that you will be making the transition from playing to management?

Time will tell! I have been a professional footballer since 1986 and you always think, do you go into coaching or management? At this present time, I have had a great year under Danny and Frank and I think that one day I would like to become a manager, but that is some time off! Danny and Frank have both certainly been great to work with and you can see that from the transformation in the club's fortunes this season.

So just how far can Bristol City go, do you think that they can get promoted?

We had a very poor start to the season that was followed by an unbelievable run of fourteen to fifteen matches that lifted us to the fringe of the promotion places. I think you have to remain positive and, if we can have another good run, we can at least make it into the play-off places. Our ultimate aim is to reach the automatic promotion places.

Will it be difficult sitting on the sidelines for this local derby?

I have had to sit out quite a few, last season's was particularly hard because my brother was playing for Swindon! But it will be a great game, both clubs need the points - albeit for different reasons and I have a great affection for both clubs. At the end of the day there are so many points to be won after this game, I just hope that it is an entertaining game. I do hope that Swindon get out of their position but I will be hoping that Bristol City win today!

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Signed in June 1999 on a free transfer from his former club Peterborough Utd. Giuliano's previous visit to the County Ground was in 1997 with Stevenage Town in the FA Cup 3rd round. His winning goal dumped Swindon out and handed Stevenage a money-making 4th round tie against Newcastle Utd. Missed most of last season through injury, but when he did play he was the shining light in a very dull season for Swindon. Injury has also hampered his efforts this season too.


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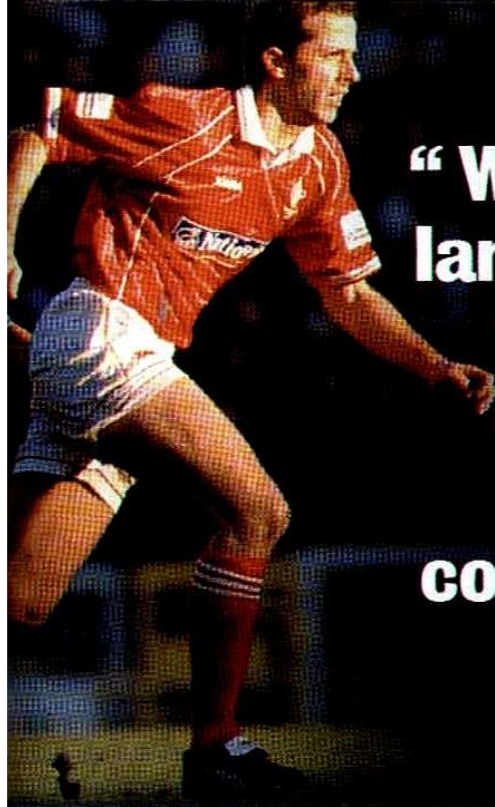
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How They Saw It:



THE RACECOURSE GROUND

4TH FEBRUARY 2001

WREXHAM	1
PHILLIPS	
SWINDON TOWN	1
VAN DER LINDEN	



Town stretched their unbeaten run to three games as they emerged battered and bruised from a physical encounter with Wrexham.

This was two points dropped rather than one gained as Swindon failed to establish the commanding lead their first half performance merited. Andy King stuck with midweek goal hero Gary Alexander who partnered the pacy Michael Reddy in attack, the pair combined extremely well. Town's opener came when Dearden failed to gather Ian Woan's in-swinger and Antoine Linden fired home from seven yards. A Town side full of confidence and full of running looked menacing every time they poured forward. Wrexham started the second half brightly, a Gareth Owen shot in the 56th minute looked destined for the Town net until Mildenhall tipped it around the post. As the final whistle blew, the Town fans cheered despite being disappointed that their side had allowed themselves to be drawn into a Welsh scrap.

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Swindon dominated the first half with Kevin Dearden having to make a brave save at the feet of Reddy.

But in the 10th minute Wrexham saw Carlos Edwards' shot go straight to Steve Mildenhall. Mildenhall then made a double save to deny Phillips and Gareth Owen before Swindon took control. Goalkeeper Dearden dropped an Ian Woan corner in the 24th minute and the ball came out to Van der Linden who hit a tremendous shot into the back of the net. Flynn's words at the interval did the trick and Edwards and Faulconbridge missed easy chances before Swindon keeper Mildenhall kept his side in the game again, blocking a Phillips shot and keeping out the rebound from Faulconbridge. Phillips then grabbed Wrexham's equaliser in the 72nd minute. He took a neat pass from Faulconbridge and from 20 yards hit a low shot which Mildenhall could not keep out. The goal signalled a tremendous scramble with both sides trying to get the winner.



MANAGER'S VIEWS

BRIAN FLYNN

“We can forget the first half. We were poor and I had a few choice words at half time and to be fair the lads got back into it and we must be happy with the point. We just didn't get going at the start, Swindon were all over us and we deserved to be several goals behind.”

ANDY KING

“We started so brightly, the whole team working well together from the back three, right through the midfield to the duo up front and I really believed that we were going to win, if only we had taken some of the numerous chances we had. On another day we would have scored a hatful.”

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If you could ask any of the Swindon players anything in the world, what would it be? We cobbled together twenty questions and spoke to Town midfielder Danny Invincibile about life in Australia, his team mates and himself.

Q1 Choose three words to describe yourself?

Out-going, confident and enthusiastic.

Q2 How do you relax away from the game?

I have just started to play golf but I am not very good. Other than that I like to watch films, you can't do a lot else because it doesn't stop raining!

Q3 Best goal scored?

I can't remember what game it was this season, Cambridge? But I ran from the half way line and finished with a good shot.

Q4 Best player ever played against and with?

I played against Roma's Francesco Totti whilst in a tournament in Italy, he was awesome. I have played with quite a few good players, Paolo Di Canio at West Ham was very skilful.

Q5 Best and worst moments in your footballing career to date?

My best moment was about two

QUESTIONS

TO DANNY INVINCIBLE

years ago when I travelled to Nigeria with the Australian Under-21's for the Under-21 World Cup. I can't really remember a worst, I suppose whenever I am not playing, I just love to play.

Q6 What is the last football match you paid to watch?

It was an Australian match when I was about fifteen, it was so long ago I can't remember who was playing!

Q7 What is the most bizarre tactic an opposing player has used to put you off your game?

(Laughs) We have a name for it back home - when a player grabs your livelihood, a tactic that is surprisingly effective!

Q8 Who is your hero and why?

I think it would have to be Michael Jordan - he is a very talented athlete but is also quite modest with it, he conveys himself very well.

Q9 Most embarrassing moment on or off the field?

It was definitely off the field! Back home when I was driving I got caught in the middle of a roundabout when my car conked out and wouldn't move!

Q10 What has been your strangest encounter with a football fan?

There have been quite a few, especially back home. I have had my tyres deflated and once, when my back windscreen was dirty, someone wrote the words 'You'll never be a footballer.'

Q11 Any embarrassing habits of any of the lads you can tell us about?

Not really.

Q12 If you weren't a footballer, what would you be?

I would have to be doing something sport related, although I did study for a year to be a civil engineer - so maybe something to do with building or engineering?

Q13 Your ultimate ambition as a footballer?

To play in the World Cup with Australia and to play at the highest level, Premier League or Serie A.

Q14 If Swindon could sign any player in the world, who would you most like to play alongside?

It would have to be Zidane or Del Piero, they have to be the best players in the world at the moment.

Q15 Do you have any other hidden talents other than football we should know about?

Well I would say golf but I'm not very good! I have tried DJing but that didn't really work out.

Q16 Favourite sporting moment/memory?

I remember when I was watching Italia go with my Dad who, of course, is Italian. I remember watching Toto Schillaci scoring several goals and my Dad saying, "You'll achieve that one day." It just stuck in my mind.

Q17 If you won the lottery, what would you do with the money and why?

Make sure that My friends and family were financially sound for life. I would also like to start my own charity. I went to Nigeria once and the standard of life was awful, so maybe start a charity there.

Q18 You're on a deserted island and you can take three possessions, what are they and why?

I could get in a lot of trouble with my girlfriend if I don't say her! My girlfriend, a fishing rod and a football.

Q19 If you were on 'Who wants to be Millionaire' and you had to have one of your team mates as your 'phone a friend', who would it be and why?

None of them! No, seriously I think it would be Reevesy, he seems to know a lot of useless stuff.

Q20 What would your advice be to any young players hoping to pursue a football career?

If you want to do it you will. If you dream about doing something and want it bad enough you will make it, it just takes a lot of hard work and persistence.

Think you can do better? E-mail your suggestions to nick@pia-am.co.uk



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. 20 The Modernisation of Programmes in the 1970's

As the post 1966 World Cup boom began to fade in the 1970's, alternative pastimes and leisure activities grew in number and with them, the realisation that modern marketing and commercial techniques were needed in order for football to compete.

This brought about a radical transformation in the role and format of matchday programmes, coincidental with the first sponsored football tournaments. Initially, these took the form of brand new competitions as opposed to sponsors attaching their names to established tournaments, as a result the Watney Cup was born, followed shortly afterwards by the Dryborough Cup in Scotland. The Texaco Cup was established in Ireland to link the northern and southern clubs.

Suddenly, more programmes were being made available for collectors. European ties had been added to the normal domestic staple diet in the 15 years since 1955, and now came

additional tournaments and inter-country fixtures such as Wolves v Derry City, Airdrie v Ballymena United, Motherwell v Spurs and St Johnstone v Ipswich. The brewers Watney broke new ground with programmes for their pre-season tournaments, which were stylised and published on behalf of the sponsors, rather than the home club.

Similarly, Texaco provided a common style of outer pages for their tournament programmes, although the host club was left to its own devices with regard to internal pages. One or two clubs, perhaps slightly pretentiously, began to call their programmes 'match day magazines', and they were certainly increasing in size - and cover price.

Gloss paper became widespread; print techniques improved with the move away from letterpress to litho, and photographs became a more prominent feature. Colour began to creep in, spreading from the First Division down through the leagues as


'Programme Monthly & Football Collectable' contains up to 150 pages each month on all aspects of programme collecting.

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the decade progressed. Coventry City, programme pioneers in the 1960's, continued to explore new avenues in the 1970's. They took the 'magazine' concept quite literally by producing a very large page-size programme, even bigger than today's brochure sized cup final issues, which featured 'lifestyle' articles loosely related to football to complement the standard contents.

An example of this was the back page - full colour photograph of a 'glamour girl', posing chastely. It is interesting to note that few, if any, clubs followed this 'laddish' route, and certainly not in the last couple of decades.





“We also come into this game on the back of a good run ourselves...”

Hello and welcome to today's local derby against Bristol City. I have fond memories of the corresponding fixture earlier in the season at Ashton Gate, scoring the winning goal in a 1-0 win!

Bristol City have come a long way since that defeat, they went unbeaten for about fourteen or fifteen matches and they are now on the fringe of promotion. They have become a tough side to beat and with Thorpe, Beadle and Murray in fine form, it will be a very difficult game for us. Danny Wilson will bring his side here today confident on the back of a good run, looking especially to avenge that 1-0 defeat earlier in the season. We have to make sure that doesn't happen.

We also come into this game on the back of a good run ourselves, I think it is crucial to be confident when you approach derby games because they are so demanding. The last three games have been great for us, starting

with a 3-0 win against Bury. That game was a must-win situation and we came through it with flying colours, it was a superb team result - every member of the squad, especially those that came in, like Frazer McHugh and Steve Mildenhall played their part. Michael Reddy also came into the side and he started very well with a goal that gave us the confidence to go and win the game. He looked very lively and, with Gary Alexander finding his form against Wycombe, we are looking more dangerous upfront. The gaffer has been working us very hard in training and we have been creating more chances as a result.

We got another early goal against Wycombe. It was a different kind of game to Saturdays because Bury's heads went down after the second goal. They are having a poor run, but we know how it feels to go one or two behind. Wycombe on the other hand came into the game having beaten Wolves and Lawrie Sanchez fielded a

very strong side. We did more than just match them and I think the two early goals really shocked them, but we hung on and could even have scored one or two more. We now face a tricky tie away at Southend but we are very confident that we can progress to the final.

We should have made it three wins in three last Sunday against Wrexham. Antoine got his first goal of the season, but we had so many chances - it just shows how confident we are at the moment when you travel away to a good club like Wrexham and dominate proceedings. Unfortunately we didn't take them and we lost control of the game the longer it went on. We also lost our composure and allowed them back into the game, but you learn from your mistakes and we will be looking to put that right today.

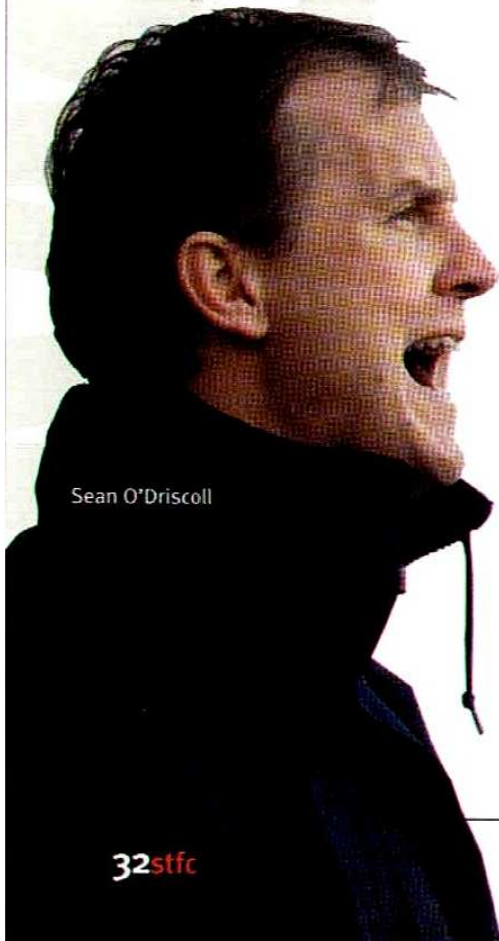
Let's club together and really have a go at City today and collect another three points.

Rookie Cherry Award

Three wins and two draws were enough to earn Bournemouth manager Sean O'Driscoll Division Two's Manager of the Month Award for January.

Despite starting the month with an FA Cup defeat against Gillingham, the Cherries managed a draw at Wrexham, a win at Cambridge and then a 1-0 win away at Millwall.

Jermaine Defoe has been instrumental in the club's run and has been capturing all the headlines as the south coast club have climbed into the top ten, but rookie boss O'Driscoll must take most of the credit. O'Driscoll currently holds the club's record for appearances and he has now led the side to an outside chance of clinching a promotion spot.



Sean O'Driscoll



Joe Kinnear

Kinnear Leaves Oxford

Joe Kinnear has turned his back on bottom club Oxford citing health reasons.

The former Wimbledon chief joined the U's in an advisory capacity but has decided not to accept a further offer to stay on at the the Manor. He said: "I have decided to take time out to look after my health and

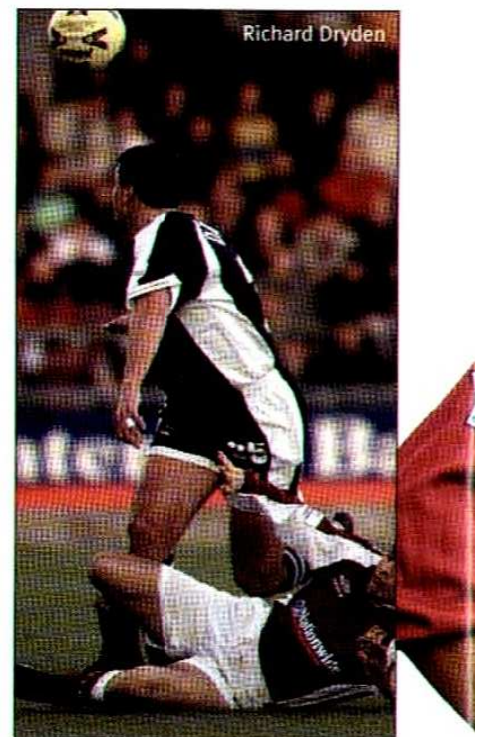
spend more time with my family. "It is a super little club and I wish all associated with it the best of luck." The news comes as a major blow to the club who have big problems with yet more objections to their new stadium. However, on Thursday it was confirmed that he had been appointed head of football at Luton Town.

Hats Off For Dryden

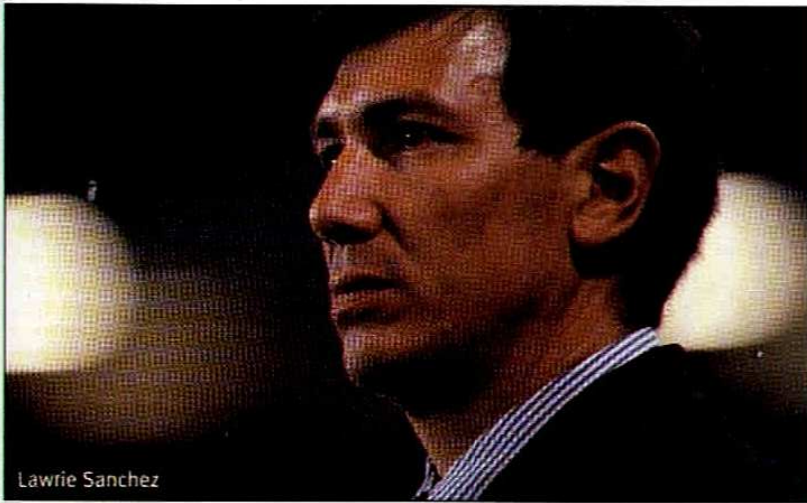
Former Town defender Richard Dryden has joined Division Two strugglers Luton Town on a three month loan deal.

Dryden, who made eight appearances for the Robins could not agree personal terms with the club.

Dryden has already been on loan at Stoke, Northampton, Notts County and Swindon and he was thrust straight into the first team last week at Rotherham. Dryden will be hoping to aid Luton's dismal season and help the club climb away from relegation.



Richard Dryden



Lawrie Sanchez

Lofty Heights For Sanchez?

Speculation has arisen surrounding the possible departure of Wycombe boss Lawrie Sanchez to take over at QPR.

The Nationwide Division Two outfit have dismissed a recent rumour linking the Adams Park boss with a move to Loftus Road amidst the threat of Gerry Francis' sacking.

"Although Lawrie Sanchez is ambitious he's very happy with what's happening at the minute", commented Wycombe press officer Alan Hutchinson. "With all due respect to QPR, I don't think Lawrie would see them as a route to greater things and he is totally focused on what we are doing in Nationwide Division Two."

Thompson to Save Pirates?

Garry Thompson and Gary Penrice have agreed to look after team affairs at Bristol Rovers with the backing of club vice-chairman Geoff Dunford.

Dunford has insisted that the club would not be rushed into filling the void left behind by Ian Holloway although they have received enquiries from people who are interested in the position. "Garry Thompson and Gary Penrice have agreed to look after team affairs until a successor is found to Ian Holloway. They have the opportunity to show us what they can do in the short-term, they know the players, love the club and have operated as part of a team with Ian, so the responsibilities aren't new to them."

Bury Capture Newby

Desperate Bury have landed the signature of Liverpool striker Jon Newby on a month's loan.

The club who lost at the County Ground 3-0 two week's ago, have captured the player in an effort to pep up their flagging fortunes. The 22-year-old made four substitute appearances for the Anfield side last season and has been at Liverpool since a trainee.

His opportunities at the club have been limited with the arrival of Emile Heskey and Jari Litmanen and Shakers' boss Andy Preece sees Newby as the target man his side have lacked all season.



Peter Beagrie

Wigan Target Beagrie

High flyers Wigan are the latest club to express an interest in Bradford's Peter Beagrie.

New Bradford boss has declared that he is keen to off-load the 35-year old off his wage bill, although Beagrie has rejected offers from Sheffield United and Preston to take him on loan.

The Bantams manager will not renew Beagrie's contract when it expires in the summer and he would be willing to release the veteran former Everton and Manchester City player on a free transfer.

FanScene

Show Yer Colours and Today's Mascots!

Mascot One



Today's first mascot is Alison Drew, who is apparently old enough to remember Don Rogers, writes her

husband! Today's mascot package was one of Alison's Christmas presents from her husband who, ironically, is a Bristol City supporter! Alison is an avid Town fan but also likes to watch Liverpool. She says her favourite player is Town stalwart Mark Robinson and she lists her hobbies as football, reading and swimming.

Mascot Two



Next up is birthday boy Connor Hughes. Although it's not his birthday today, Connor will be eight

this Tuesday. Seven-year old Connor is a massive Swindon Town fan and he also likes to follow the fortunes of Arsenal although his favourite players are Swindon pair Graz and 'keeper Bart Griemink. Connor is hoping to play for his beloved reds for he is an attendee of the club's soccer centres at the Oasis Leisure Centre.

Mascot Three



Today's third mascot is another birthday boy, and another Connor! Connor Wykeham-Martin is two

years old but it is his third birthday tomorrow and he is hoping to celebrate with a Swindon win! Connor is another Bart Griemink fan, but also likes Danny Invincible. Despite his young age, Connor is quite a keen sportsman and alongside football, he loves to go swimming and also plays a bit of golf.

Mascot Four



Today's fourth and final mascot is Joshua Ainscow who was eight years old on 31 January. Joshua

attends Nythe Primary School and he has always wanted to be a mascot for Swindon Town. Joshua loves swimming and football and he plays for Blunston Boys (I have it on good authority that he attends the club's Soccer Centres too!). He supports Swindon Town and Manchester United and his favourite player is Graz.



Friendly Rivalry

Pictured above 'Showing Their Colours' are Town fans Debbie and Lucy Harrison with a Bristol Rovers fan. Debbie and Lucy live in Stratton and are mad Swindon fans and this picture was taken during their holiday in Majorca last May. This is the first 'Show Yer Colours' to feature a Bristol fan and apparently his final message for them when he left was 'Welcome to Division Two!' Both Lucy and Debbie are here for today's game.



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Many Thanks

Many thanks to supporter Ian Rowe who wrote to us regarding his family's day out at the Coventry game. His son Ashley was a mascot and he says "The time spent with George and his wife could not have been better. The time Ashley and his cousin Adam spent in the changing rooms was 'wicked'."



Congratulations!

Finally, congratulations to Swindon Town programme designer Matt Hirst and wife Sally who last week received the news that they are expecting their first baby. Good Luck - from all at PIA Sport!

Happy Birthday Deb Richings

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League Grinds To A Halt

Swindon Town Ladies' South West Combination League West Country derby clash with Bristol City was postponed last Sunday because of a waterlogged pitch.

The Town have not played a league fixture since they beat Reading by six goals to one on the 26th November. Since then they have progressed to the semi-final of the Ambassador South West Combination League Cup and beat Stowmarket Town in the third round of the AXA Women's FA Cup, only to be beaten by Enfield two-one after extra time. With the Christmas break and large number of postponements wreaking havoc to the pitches, the league programme has ground to a halt. The Town reserves have fared even worse and have only played eight games all season. They have played six league matches and two League Cup games, the first they won, the second they

lost to Premier League side Chesham United. The six league games have resulted in five wins and one defeat. They have scored 39 goals with Lucy Bailey getting eleven and Sandy Dillon and Michelle Rich getting five each. Next week Cath Jones and Tracy Peacock join the Royal Air Force squad for a visit to Malta. Tomorrow, weather permitting, the Town visit Oxford United for a South West Combination League Match. The U's are not enjoying a good season and currently hold bottom spot. The Town reserves are also away and play Didcot Town in the Southern Region League.

Roger Reeves

South West Combination League Fixtures 2000/2001

3rd	Sept	Bristol City	3-3
10th	Sept	Clevedon Town	3-0
17th	Sept	Oxford United	P-P
24th	Sept	Saltash Pilgrims	5-0
1st	Oct	Denham United	5-1
8th	Oct	Yeovil Town	1-1
15th	Oct	Southampton	6-2
22nd	Oct	Bristol Rovers	0-2
29th	Oct	Wimborne - FA Cup 1st	9-0
12th	Nov	Southampton - FA Cup 2nd	3-0
19th	Nov	Denham United	9-3
26th	Nov	Reading	6-1
3rd	Dec	Denham United LC 2nd	2-1
10th	Dec	Portsmouth	P-P
17th	Dec	Bristol City	P-P
7th	Jan	Stowmarket - FA Cup 3rd	2-1
14th	Jan	Enfield - FA Cup 4th	2-2 (aet)
28th	Jan	Yeovil Town	A
11th	Feb	Bristol Rovers	A
18th	Feb	Cheltenham Town	H
4th	Mar	Reading	H
11th	Mar	Portsmouth	A



Kim Reeves - Town midfielder who is a regular member of the Wiltshire County Squad.



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Matches From Memory

By Dick Mattick



It was perhaps the day that Bert Head's babes came of age.

Earlier in the season they had battled out a draw at Ashton Gate but now Town had to meet them on a muddy surface at the County Ground where strength would be important. Many felt that this would work against the young Swindon side.

Swindon won the toss and elected to kick towards the Stratton Bank such was their tradition at this time. This saved wingers Arnold Darcy and Mike Summerbee a boot change as the section of the ground near the old Shrivensham Road Stand was still hard and required rubber soles whilst most of the pitch was taking a long stud.

City, managed by Fred Ford (who was later to become manager of Swindon) looked the stronger side. A centre from Tait on the right wing beat the defence but City's former England international, John Atyeo, just failed to reach it. Despite the difficult conditions, Swindon continued to play some good football but it was Tait who again threatened with another cross that Ken McPherson headed clear.

Mike O' Hara scrambled a shot away from right back Briggs but, with 35 minutes gone, City finally took the lead. Although only from a narrow angle, Williams's shot seemed to deceive O' Hara and went in off his shoulder. Hunt's header was cleared

off the line and Swindon won three corners in quick succession, but at half time the visitors were still hanging on to their lead.

The second half was only a minute old when a long ball from Connor was neatly headed won by Atyeo and driven home by Clark. After such a blow, experience might have brought pessimism but the enthusiasm of youth saw Swindon ignore this setback. After 54 minutes they got the break that brought them back into the game. Centre forward Jack Smith appeared to have lost control of the ball when he collided with Thresher and referee Pickles awarded a penalty.

“...the Football Pink made happy reading that night for all Town fans.”

Ernie Hunt, as on every occasion he was called upon during the season, slotted home the penalty. Just over ten minutes later Town were level. Bobby Woodruff hurled in a long throw that was flicked on by Hunt to Morgan. The Town's skipper saw his effort blocked but rebounded to Summerbee whose shot took a slight deflection leaving Nicholls helpless as it flew into the net. As the game drew into its closing



Ernie Hunt

stages both sides had changed. O' Hara made amends for his earlier error saving well from Derrick. Eight minutes remained when Swindon were awarded an indirect free kick inside the penalty area. Hunt drove it in to a crowd of players and Smith got the vital deflection that gave Swindon a 3-2 win. The victory left Swindon sitting on top of the table and with the A team registering an 11-0 victory over Chippenham Town Reserves, with four goals for Roger Smart and five for Dick Plumb, the Football Pink made happy reading that night for all Town fans.

Swindon:

O' Hara, Dawson, Trollope, Morgan, McPherson, Woodruff, Summerbee, Hunt, Smith, Jackson and Darcy.

Bristol City:

Nicholls, Briggs, Thresher, Parr, Connor, Etheridge, Tait, Clark, Atyeo, Williams and Derrick.

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Treatment & Junior Robins:

Matty Hewlett and Robby Howe earlier this season

Graz & Matt in Training

Hello and welcome to today's local derby against Bristol City here at the County Ground. This week brings some good news regarding the development of Graz and Matty Hewlett.

Both of them trained with the squad on Monday and Tuesday and have done extremely well to come through it. On Wednesday they took place in a practice game so as to test their strength, range of movement and fitness. I would be expecting them to be back at full training soon as long as they come through this week without any problems. They have both done extremely well to do as well as they

have in such a short space of time. **Frazer McHugh** has been in for two weeks, he aggravated his hamstring in the 3-0 win against Bury. I am pretty sure that it is not a three-week injury, these things can sometimes drag on. Fortunately for him it is not too bad at all and he has been doing a lot of running this week round Coates water Park, I would imagine he could be in contention for today's game - it should have taken him between two and three days this week to get himself back to fitness. **Ian Woan** has had a slight setback to the thigh strain injury during the Wrexham game. Ideally he would have come on against Wrexham on Sunday

instead of starting the game, but this time the reoccurrence is in a slightly different position. **Bobby Howe** is a lot better and I would imagine he will return to training next week He is symptom free at the moment but Achilles Tendinitis is such a nasty injury, we have to make sure that it won't drag on any longer than it should by making sure he is absolutely right. Finally, we have **Andy Williams**. The latest on Andy is that he is now cycling up and down hill, so he has come on leaps and bounds. He trains very hard and will be checking his progress by sending him back to Lilleshal next week.

Junior Robins



We were disappointed once again with the turn-out of Junior Robins for the Wrexham match.

We know it was an early start for the one o' clock kick-off, but some managed the trip. Our chosen mascot on the supporter's coach was Craig Ford and he had a great time. Well done Craig. We would like to go out with a bang at the end of the season at Stoke City. Their Juniors have invited us up early to play in a pre-match game. They will provide lunch for everyone who turns up, including Mums, Dads and Granddads etc., so it should be a really great day. Let's have a concerted effort on this one

and once again, for all you supporters who have not yet joined up with us - GET CRACKING!

The listed matches below are still on:
Bristol Rvrs March 24th 2001
Millwall April 14th 2001
Stoke City May 5th 2001

Julie Page is still recruiting girls for her Robinettes, so if you are aged between the ages of twelve and sixteen, please give her a ring on 01793 763349. Don't forget, you must be a dedicated member and attend regular training. If you are aged between twelve and fifteen years of age, don't forget Richard is

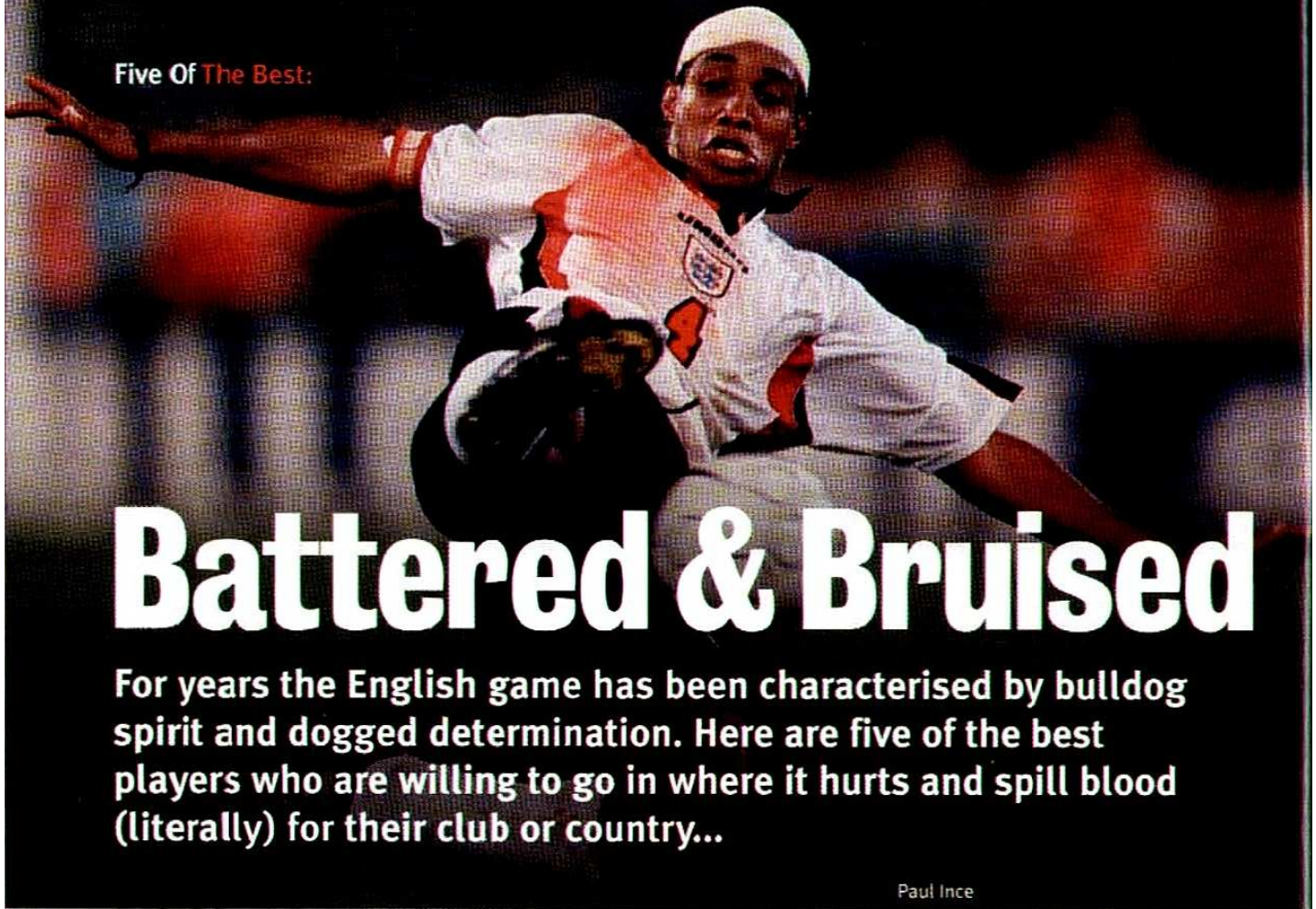
always looking for more ball boys/girls. If you are keen, please contact Richard on 01993 703110.

A very Happy Birthday to all of our Juniors for February:
 Jordan Barnes, eight on the tenth,
 Nathan Rhodes, nine on the 16th,
 Adam Payne, fourteen on the 18th,
 Antonia Colette, eight on the 21st and
 George Skinner, five on the 24th.

Enjoy the game.

George Chadwick

Five Of The Best:



Battered & Bruised

For years the English game has been characterised by bulldog spirit and dogged determination. Here are five of the best players who are willing to go in where it hurts and spill blood (literally) for their club or country...

Paul Ince

5 Stuart Pearce West Ham

This week's number five is Stuart Pearce, aptly known by many in the game as 'Psycho.'

There are many who watch the beautiful game that would suggest that football is becoming more of a non-contact sport, with continental players in particular guilty of the most heinous crime, diving. Fortunately Stuart Pearce is not one such player and is definitely not one to shirk a tackle, footballers around the world, and in England especially, have incurred the wrath of Pearce's fearsome tackles.

One of the many 'tactics' and 'skills' that you were taught when you were younger was to never pull out of a challenge so as to not injure yourself, few would be forgiven for doing so at the sight of 'Psycho's' thighs approaching you at tremendous velocity! But Pearce

makes it into this week's top five with an extraordinary effort of bravery and/or stupidity when, in 1999, he played on in a game for West Ham against Watford in the Premier League despite having broken his leg. One would have thought the pain of breaking one's leg would be enough to reduce a man to a useless heap on the floor, let alone walking. Still, after Pearce finally realised that something was wrong, he would not be carried off the pitch like you or I, no, he walked off.

4 Paul Ince England

Paul Ince can arguably be put into the rather dubious category of footballer's called soccer's hard-men alongside the likes of Roy Keane, Martin Keown and Luc Nijholt.

A ferocious temper and tremendous tackles has characterised Paul Ince's game over the years and it has won

him few friends on the opposing terraces. At West Ham, Liverpool, Manchester United and Middlesborough Paul Ince has collated a large number of yellow and red cards with his over-zealous enthusiasm. Nevertheless the whole nation got behind him when he pulled on an England shirt in a game that Hoddle's side had to win or draw to qualify for the 1998 World Cup in Rome.

Hoddle had rekindled the nation's flagging chances of qualifying for Europe but required at least a point against the Rosinarie, a tough assignment when you consider that England had lost the corresponding fixture by two goals to nil at Wembley. The night will live long in the annals of English football history for the side's determination, characterised no better than by Paul Ince. He felt that he had a point to prove having played in Italy and that he did with a display of courage that will always be remembered that included a clash of heads followed by Ince playing the rest of the game with a blood soaked bandaged head.



Terry Butcher

3 Bert Trautmann Manchester City

Bernard Carl 'Bert' Trautman played in two consecutive FA Cup Finals for Manchester City and came away from the second, in 1956, with a winner's medal and a broken neck!

With 17 minutes of the match remaining he came out of his goal and bravely dived for the ball at the feet of Birmingham City's Peter Murphy. The ensuing 'coming-together' of the two players resulted in his now historic injury. However, he completed the game, collected his medal and joined in the team's celebrations late into the night at the Cafe Royal in London. It wasn't until he was X-rayed three days later that the seriousness of his injury was diagnosed and he was sidelined for 7 months.

Bert had arrived in England in ignominious circumstances in 1945 -

as a German prisoner of war! After the cessation of hostilities he chose to remain here and joined St Helens FC and then, in November 1949, moved to Manchester City where in 14 seasons he endeared himself to not only the Maine Road faithful, but to the whole of the nation. In his later off-field career he achieved astonishing European and world-wide successes with Juventus, Inter Milan and Bayern Munich. Voted 'Footballer of the Year' in 1956 and included in the Football League Centenary 100 Players, Bert, now aged 78, lives in Spain but regularly visits the north-west. In October of last year he attended a Gala Dinner held in his honour in Manchester's Piccadilly Hotel. A true gentleman and a much-cherished footballing legend.



2 Terry Butcher England

At the time when England played Sweden in 1989 in a World Cup Qualifier, Terry Butcher was playing for Rangers and was repeatedly bringing the game into disrepute.

His latest misdemeanour was kicking in a referee's door at Pittodrie following a game in which Rangers had defeated Aberdeen. A tackle in the game had incensed the England and former Ipswich stalwart who luckily would not have to face any further action.

In the same year Butcher became a cult hero for his display of bravery in a game against Sweden in the 1989 World Cup qualifiers. Late in the game, Butcher collided with Swede Ekstrom but instead of going off, simply bandaged his head and played on, continuing to head the ball at will.

Five Of The Best:



This Week's Winner: Shaun Taylor

1 Shaun Taylor Swindon Town

Returning to the County Ground today Town legend and crowd favourite Shaun Taylor, better known by many as 'Ooh Shaun Taylor', was never afraid to put his head in where it hurts.

Taylor is a supporter's dream in terms of a central defender, good in the air, superb in the tackle, committed and he even popped up

with the odd goal. In fact, in the promotion season of 1993/4 Taylor notched several goals (earning him top spot in Town's goal scoring chart earlier in the season), a lucrative source for goals that strengthened Town's already impressive strike rate via Maskell, Mitchell and White.

Taylor used to wear a gumshield and with good reason, many fans would wince with fear as he dived to head the ball clear or would go up for headers from which the majority of us would shy away from. Two particular headers (both goals) stick

out in my mind and which have earned him a first place spot.

The first came at St Andrews in Easter 1994 in an enthralling game in which Swindon won 6-4 (having been 4-1 down.) Having left the field to receive stitches on a gash over his left eye, he returned to score with a severe header which pulled the score back to 1-2. The second (his thirteenth of the season) and perhaps more memorable, was the header at Wembley in which he risked life and limb to reach a loose ball and put the Town three up.



V Southend United Football Club

(AWAY) Tuesday 13th February 7.45pm (Southern Section Semi-Final)

Pictured: Ben Abbey



Not the home tie that Town were looking for, King's side face a tricky trip to Essex to face Third Division promotion hopefuls Southend United.

The Shrimpers reached this stage of the competition with a one nil victory over Division Two strugglers Bristol Rovers, albeit against the run of play. Garry Thompson's side squandered a number of chances, Nathan Ellington particularly guilty and the west country outfit were punished by Martin Corruther's ninth goal of the season just four minutes from the break. Town will have to watch out for top goal scorers Martin Corruthers and Ben Abbey. Abbey scored his tenth goal of the season in the one-nil win against Lincoln City last week. Like Town's missed opportunity on Sunday, Dave Webb's side squandered a hatful of chances and deserved to win by a greater margin. If Town can emerge victorious from this tie then there is only one hurdle against either Brentford or Swansea preventing them from reaching the final.



V Cambridge United Football Club

(AWAY) Saturday 17th February 3.00pm

Pictured: Alex Russell



Arguably Town's best performance this season was in the corresponding fixture against Cambridge United, a convincing 3-1 victory at the County Ground.

The game was Andy King's first home game in charge and it couldn't have gone any better, two goals from top scorer Invincible and a third from Keith O'Halloran secured three points for the Town at a time when the U's disastrous run of form was just beginning. Several wins in the first few games in the season, including a 6-1 mauling of Rotherham and a 4-0 defeat of Port Vale, elevated Roy McFarland's side to second in the table. Instrumental in the club's form was striker Tom Young, now on ten goals, but recently his dazzling form has dried up. Cambridge have now won just two in the last eighteen, the first against an inconsistent Wycombe side, the second against struggling Bury. As a result, McFarland has been looking elsewhere to aid his goal-shy attack. This week three trialists have been training with the club including Sheffield Wednesday striker Richie Humphreys.

The Box Office:



Box Office



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

AWAY v Cambridge United Football Club Saturday 17th February 3.00PM

Nationwide League Division Two fixture at the Abbey Stadium. No tickets, pay cash on turnstile. 300 seats, 1800 Terrace.

Matchday Prices From:

Adults: £10 - £11
Concessions: £7
Juniors: £7



HOME v Luton Town Football Club Saturday 24th February 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two Fixture to be held 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 Southend United Football Club Tuesday 13th February 7.45pm

LDV Trophy Southern Section Semi-Final to be played at Roots Hall.

Matchday Prices From:

Adults: £10
Concessions: £5
Juniors: £1



AWAY v Wigan Athletic Football Club Saturday 3rd March 3.00pm

Nationwide League Division Two Fixture at the JJB Stadium. No tickets in advance. All pay on the day At Wigan. Over 4,000 Tickets Available.

Matchday Prices From:

Adults: £12
Concessions: £7
Juniors: £7



HOME v Bournemouth Football Club Tuesday 20th February 7.45pm

Nationwide League Division Two Fixture to be held 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



HOME v Oldham Athletic Football Club Tuesday 6th March 7.45pm

Nationwide League Division Two Fixture to be held 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



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Southend United Football Club
Tuesday 13th February 7.45pm

LDV Trophy Southern Section Semi-Final

Travel Information

Southend United Football Club, Roots Hall

Ground Capacity: 12,306
Club Nickname: Shrimpers



Adult Fare: £13.50

U-15 Fare: £12.50

Supporters' Club
Members receive a £1.00 discount on fares.

Depart **WEST SWINDON:** 13.45
Depart **COUNTY GROUND:** 14.00
Depart **ERMIN STREET:** 14.15

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Cambridge United Football Club
Saturday 17th February 3.00pm

Nationwide Football League Division Two Fixture

Travel Information

Cambridge United Football Club, The Abbey Stadium

Ground Capacity: 9,000
Club Nickname: The U's



Adult Fare: £12.00

U-15 Fare: £10.50

Supporters' Club
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Depart **ERMIN STREET:** 10.15

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Fun In the Mud For Youth Teams

Once again the weather played havoc with our Under-14 and Under-15 games away at Exeter City, both were called off at 8.00am on Sunday morning.

Our home games for the Under-12 and Under-13 went ahead at Allied Dunbar. The pitches were fine to start with but soon deteriorated as the games went on.

The players didn't mind as it had been eight weeks since they had played a game. The Under-12's won 5-1 and the Under-13's drew 0-0. We are trying hard to replay these games but are finding other club's reluctant to accommodate us. Again we must question whether we are playing the Centre of Excellence games at the right time of year. Surely it would be better to play from Spring through to the end of Summer? After all, how can we develop players on bad surfaces? Food for thought.

Saturday 3rd February 2001

Swindon Town Under-17's 3
Oxford United Under-17's 2

Goals: Mark Draycott, Chris Taylor & Justyn McKay.

After going two-nil down our lads fought back to win 3-2 in a thrilling local derby. This game was played at a ferocious pace, just like any other derby. Oxford took their chances in the first half, Mark Draycott pulled one back just before half time.

Town's second was a direct free kick bent around the wall by Chris Taylor, the third a tremendous volley from Justin McKay.

Saturday 3rd February 2001

Plymouth Arg Under-19's 1
Swindon Town Under-19's 3

Goals: Graham Walton, Bryan Smith & Kevin Halliday.

A good performance from our boy's who continued to climb up the league.

We had two trialists playing, one from Aston Villa and the other from Leicester City. Both played well, but Graham Walton also managed to get onto the score sheet as well. Both sides did extremely well to come away with three points in appalling conditions.

Phil Cannon

Swindon Town Football Club Supporters' Club



Those supporters travelling to Wrexham last Sunday should have been rewarded with a third win on the trot as a storming first half performance should have seen us several goals clear by half time.

In the event of only being one in front gave the home team some hope and after a tense period we conceded an equaliser.

Still, it did mean that it was a third game without defeat and if we achieve a result today that mirrors that achieved at Ashton Gate earlier in the season, the team will send supporters home happy.

We did not plan to hold a half time draw at the LDV vans match when we played Wycombe, but the winner of the previous Saturday's draw during the Bury game was **Mr A Thompson, ticket number 165** and his win paid out £280.

Mr Thompson purchases his ticket through the regular subscription scheme, which is available to all supporters.

Please don't forget to purchase your ticket today!

All supporters club members should have received a newsletter within the last couple of weeks and if your membership card had not previously

been collected then this would have been enclosed. We hope we have not missed anyone, but if we have, then we are sorry, but please let us know and we will send a copy.

It is not too late to enjoy the benefits of membership for the rest of the season and details can be picked up from within the away travel office before home matches.

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Voicing His Opinion

Southampton manager and former Town hero Glenn Hodde has, in recent days, begun voicing his opinions on his controversial removal from his role as the England boss and his lofty ambitions for the future.

He firmly believes that he was treated over-harshly by the powers-that-be at Lancaster Gate and cites the FA's recent whole-hearted and overt support for Kevin Keegan in his recent legal embroilments. Hodde said: "There was a time when I was England coach that I had 21 writs pending and I was left out on a limb. It was pathetic". However, he thinks that the FA learnt a salutary lesson from the huge storm that surrounded his exit and that their alliance with Keegan proves his point.

But don't let's forget that Hodde was sacked by the FA two years ago for a 'serious error of judgement' by making public some of his metaphysical beliefs, particularly those relating to the disabled and their 'previous lives'. There can be no doubt that his comments certainly were a serious error of judgement and caused outrage throughout the land, but he considers that it was not a valid reason for his sacking. Hodde's firmly-

held opinion is that managers should be judged solely by results, not by personal beliefs. He went on to say that anyone concerned with football, throughout the whole spectrum - from fans to chief executives - would say: 'I'm not interested in what he said, or didn't say, or what his creed and colour are etc. What he achieves on the pitch is the only thing that matters to me.' He claims that he was not judged by that criteria and points out that he was sacked on the back of losing only 7 matches out of 28 in his three-year stint.

His successor wouldn't agree with him on that point though, the loss to Sweden and the pathetic draw with Bulgaria at Wembley left Keegan trying to push water uphill in his attempts to qualify for Euro 2000.

However, his enforced sabbatical seems to have resulted in him becoming more aware of the power of the media and he would appear to be becoming more open and considerate to the people who once reported him to be aloof and disdainful, arrogant even, during his spell as England's supremo. He still nurtures international ambitions, even a re-appointment to the England role, but

not whilst the hierarchy that sacked him remain in office. Perhaps he will eventually go abroad as he is quoted as saying; "Somewhere like the USA would be a great challenge one day". Time will tell.

If last Sunday's game between Newcastle and Southampton had gone ahead I would have loved to have been a fly on the wall in the post-match directors' bar. Sven-Goran Eriksson was due to attend and I wonder what advice he would have received over a few beers from the ex-England managers of the two clubs!

Finally, a salutary thought for all concerned regarding the venue for the FA Cup Final. Fans who travelled to, or attempted to travel to, Cardiff by rail for last Saturday's Rugby international report horrendous delays and cancellations to services because of the chaotic situation engulfing Railtrack. I'm not going to take sides on the matter of which are the best-behaved set of supporters between the two codes, but I don't think that Cup Final fans will take too kindly to missing the kick-off - or even the whole game. Fingers crossed.

The Wanderer



Eric:

Feeling a Bit Down in the Goal Mouth

Robbie Fowler

"Form is temporary, class is permanent." That's what a good friend used to tell me when I returned home after another unsuccessful afternoon in front of goal.

Ok, so it was Wednesday afternoon college football and not on the professional stage but the sentiment was still nice to hear. I now play lower, lower league football and I often recite his words for comfort when I'm wading through another sticky patch of form. I also tell myself that even Pele and Diego Maradona must have had similar thoughts when they've not been scoring goals for their team.

Last weekend Robbie Fowler scored twice against West Ham and in doing so, re-emerged as one of the countries most gifted natural goal scorers. He had been low on form and confidence since returning from injury at the start of the season and with the new arrivals of Jari Litmanen and Emile Heskey at Anfield, it looked as if the former Kop idol was on his way out of the club. Like any world-class forward

he answered his critics in the best way possible, by hitting the back of the net.

At the very highest club level the burden of scoring the majority of your team's goals is a heavy one. In any other profession such pressure could be regarded as damaging to the employee's psychological well being. Perhaps this is where the top professionals earn another portion of their large pay packet but it may also offer another reason why the very top teams are now recruiting such strength in depth to bolster their forward line. Liverpool have Fowler, Owen, Heskey, Litmanen and Barmby. Arsenal have Henry, Wiltord, Bergkamp, Kanu and Ljunberg. And Manchester United have Cole, Yorke, Solskjear, Sheringham and Scholes.

It seems as though the big clubs now recognise that the massive psychological as well as the physical pressure of modern football is too much for just two 'big-name' strikers and to get the best out of arguably their most talented players, the

burden must be shared.

Confidence is a big thing in football and should not be under-estimated, especially where forwards are concerned. A few games without a goal and the inner demons start sewing the seeds of doubt in the mind. It can only compound a player's lack of confidence and they get stuck in a rut of form. Our very own Gary Alexander has gone through this. Alexander proved last season that he was a natural goal scorer hitting 19 goals for Exeter City but found it hard to get off the mark for his new club.

How many times have you heard pundits saying, "he just needs one to go in off his back-side and he'll come through"? It didn't quite happen like that but a double strike against Wycombe was hopefully the bit of luck he needed and a glut of goals for our young striker will not be far away. As for my own goal scoring problems, I think it's going to take a lot more than my friend's words of comfort to get me firing again but as my back-side is my biggest asset, I've always got a chance!

Week in Pictures

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



Thursday 1st

The African FA declared that Lucas Radebe is free for Leeds' clash against Real Madrid in the Champions League



Saturday 3rd

Robbie Fowler continues his fine form with an impressive brace against West Ham



Friday 2nd

Walsall front man Jorge Leitao scores the equaliser for the Saddlers in the 1-1 draw with fellow promotion hopefuls Wigan



Sunday 4th

Antione van der Linden scored Town's goal in the 1-1 draw with Wrexham



Tuesday 6th

Boro defender Eugo Ehiogu had one of the few chances in a dour game against the Dons in the FA Cup



Monday 5th

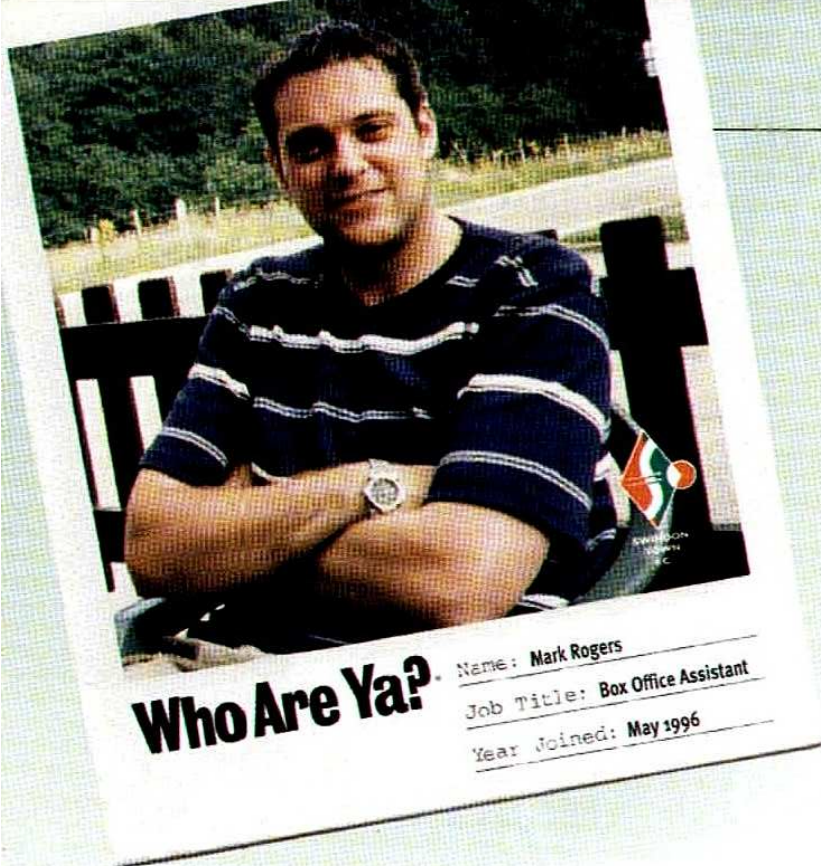
Marcus Babel alleges that a tackle made by West Ham's Freddy Kanoute could have ended his career



Wednesday 7th

Manchester United secure a lucrative marketing deal with New York Yankees that earn both clubs millions





Who Are Ya?

Name: Mark Rogers
 Job Title: Box Office Assistant
 Year Joined: May 1996

In a series of new articles we take a look behind the scenes at Swindon Town Football Club and interview members of staff who work off the field.

How and when did you join Swindon Town?

I was working at British Gas at the time and saw an advert in the Evening Advertiser. I have always loved football and I have always followed Swindon so it seemed like a good idea! I filled in an application form, was asked to come in and thankfully I got the job. I came just in time for the Stockport game in 1996.

What do you do?

Well there is a lot more to it than just selling tickets, obviously it is a major part of the job - selling to customers, taking phone bookings and recently, having to tend to internet bookings as well which keeps us busy. After that there is a lot of other office work to be done, tax returns, accountancy reports that have to be sent back to the football league within ten days and

the organisation of complimentary tickets. There is a lot of administration to be done, but we all enjoy it because it is football related and we get on so well.

Describe your average day?

Well take today for example, I'm doing the match returns for the Wycombe game from last Tuesday night. What we have to do is count the unsold tickets and wipe them off the system and that gives us a report of what was sold and what was issued. From that we take off what was unsold and the value of those tickets and split the rest up into where the tickets were sold, Nationwide Stand or Town End etc. We basically have to work out the net gate receipts, costs and expenses including things like stewards.

We also have to try and keep the customers updated with the situation regarding ticket availability in the run up to home games such as how many tickets are left. We also have to get in touch with travelling supporters via their club. Take today's game for example, we

had to send off about 3,000 tickets, that is quite a lot more than usual because of it being a local derby.

What do you do on Matchday?

The worst thing about this job is that we don't get to see the games! Despite selling tickets weeks in advance, we stay open until half-time on match days selling on the phone and on the gate. We also get a lot of enquiries because we are the only office to be open on Saturdays; "Is the game on? Is it all ticket?" for example. It gets really busy at about one o'clock and then there are people who have lost their tickets, want to upgrade their tickets or haven't received them. There are plenty of jobs that need doing during the 90 minutes and after the game so we are very lucky if we get to catch the last quarter of an hour! Weekday games can mean we work especially late, we are normally here until ten or after.

Most memorable moment at Swindon?

Well, I joined in 1996 during the championship winning season, so I suppose that that would have to be the highest moment. Pre-season this summer was also quite exciting. With the new manager and new chairman, season ticket sales were very high and everyone at the club was really optimistic. But I really enjoy my job so I am quite lucky really, I actually enjoy having to come into work on a Monday so that has to be a good thing?

Lowest point at Swindon?

It is a shame to see the side struggle on the pitch, but I think to see so many people come and go is the saddest thing. I mean since I've been here the club has had four managers, but in the ticket office so many people have been and gone.

Swindon & Bristol City go Head to Head

Goalscoring Head 2 Head

in the graphics below, Robins' figure is to the left with the goals scored indicated in red and City's to the right and scored in green

Stats & Facts

Stats compiled by Football Information Services

Where



How



Top League Scorers

17
Danny Invincible
(Swindon Town) vs

10
Tony Thorpe
(Bristol City)

27 in 27 games Team Goals 49 in 28 games
1 goals Ratio per Game 1.75 goals

8 in 26 games Player's Goals 15 in 25 games
0.31 goals Ratio per Game 0.6 goals

6	Games Scored In	10
2	Games Scored 1st Goal	3
4	Games Scored 1 Goal	7
2	Games Scored 2 Goals	1
0	Games Scored 3 Goals	2

IMPORTANCE OF GOALS

(Taking out top scorers, how would results be affected)

2 (4pts)	Games Won -> Drawn	2 (4pts)
0 (0pts)	Games Won -> Lost	1 (3pts)
1 (1pts)	Games Drawn -> Lost	2 (2pts)
5	Number of points gained	9

SCORING SEQUENCES

1	Consecutive Games Scored	1
0	2 Games	0
2	3 Games	0
2	Maximum Scoring Run	2 games

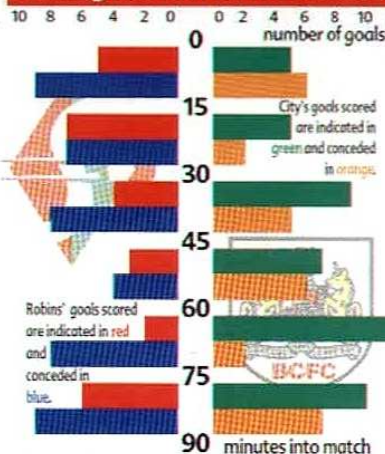
CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITHOUT SCORING

2	2 Games	4
2	3 Games	1
2	4 Games	0
9	Maximum Dry Spell	5 games

Robins' Results								City's Results							
SWINDON GOALS								BRISTOL CITY GOALS							
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6		0	1	2	3	4	5	6
OPPOSITION GOALS	0	2	2	1				0	2	1	2	1	2		
	1	4	2	2	1			1	4	4	3	1	1		
	2	2	2	1				2	1	2	1	1		1	
	3	3	1	2				3			1				
	4	1	1					4							
	5							5							
	6							6							
	7							7							

shows the number of results for each scoreline. eg. Swindon have lost 3 games 3-0
eg. Bristol City have won 3 games 2-1 and won 1 game 6-2

When goals scored & conceded



Average time of Scoring / Conceding

90 mins	All Goals for	51 mins
66 mins	Home Goals For	39 mins
146 mins	Away Goals For	84 mins
54 mins	All Goals Against	90 mins
53 mins	Home Goals Against	75 mins
56 mins	Away Goals Against	117 mins

Table shows average time taken for both teams to score and concede goals in home and away games.

Face2Face

Last Season
At The County Ground...n/a
At Ashton Gate...n/a

This Season
Robins' Season records:
Home Win...3-0 Bury
Away Win...1-0 Northampton
3-2 Luton, 1-0 Bristol City
Home Defeat...1-4 Walsall
...0-3 Stoke
Away Defeat...0-4 Posh
Consec. Wins...2
Consec. Defeats...4

Bristol City's Season records:
Home Win...4-0 Reading
4-0 Notts County, 6-2 Cambridge
Away Win...3-0 Luton
Home Defeat...4 games by 1 goal
Away Defeat...0-2 Northampton
Consec. Wins...3
Consec. Defeats...4

Last 10 Games Form Guide Comparison

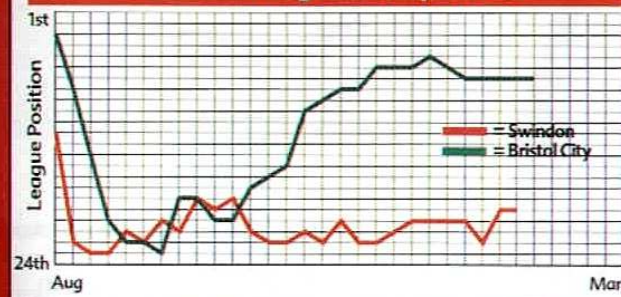
Robins : LLWWLLLLWS F 9 A 15 Pts 10
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Form Guide shows last 10 results. W = Won, L = Lost, S = Score Draw, D = No Score Draw. Most recent result to the right

Bristol City's Last 10 Years - The Complete Record

	DIV	FAC	WC	LS	Gls	Ave Att
90/91	2	3	2	Morgan	13	13,493
91/92	2	5	2	Allison	10	11,475
92/93	1	3	2	Cole	12	11,000
93/94	1	5	1	Allison	15	8,853
94/95	1	4	2	Allison	13	8,005
95/96	2	1	2	Agostino/Seal	10	7,017
96/97	2	3	2	Goater	23	10,794
97/98	2	2	2	Goater	17	11,846
98/99	1	3	2	Akinbiyi	19	12,840
99/00	2	3	2	Thorpe	14	9,803

Seasonal Progress Comparison



Last season more middle-class people watched football than ever before.
Who ate all the canapés?

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Statistics 2000/2001...

*0-0 AET, SWINDON WIN 3-2 ON PENALTIES

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The Key...

FAC = F.A.CUP
WC = WORTHINGTON CUP



Date	Opponents	Result	Attn	Pos	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	ALEXANDER	INVINCIBLE	DUKE	O'HALLORAN	REEVES	GRAZIANO
SAT AUG 12TH	COLCHESTER UTD	H 0-0	7,296	9	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	ALEXANDER	INVINCIBLE	DUKE	O'HALLORAN	REEVES	GRAZIANO
SAT AUG 19TH	READING	A 0-2	14,134	20	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	REEVES	WILLIS	ROBINSON	HEWLETT	INVINCIBLE	O'HALLORAN	ALEXANDER
TUE AUG 22ND	EXETER CITY WC1 (1)	H 1-1	5,193	-	GRIEMINK	COBIAN	HEISELBERG	ALEXANDER	HOWE	DUKE	O'HALLORAN	REEVES	GRAZIANO
SAT AUG 26TH	WALSALL	H 1-4	5,492	24	GRIEMINK	COBIAN	HEISELBERG	VAN DER LINDEN	REEVES	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	HEWLETT	INVINCIBLE
MON AUG 28TH	PORT VALE	A 0-3	3,926	24	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	WILLIS	O'HALLORAN	DUKE	HOWE	REEVES	COWE	HEWLETT
TUE SEPT 5TH	EXETER CITY WC2 (2)	A 2-1	2,825	-	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	WILLIS	O'HALLORAN	INVINCIBLE	DUKE	HOWE	M WILLIAMS	REEVES
SAT SEPT 9TH	BRISTOL CITY	A 1-0	10,110	21	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	WILLIS	O'HALLORAN	INVINCIBLE	DUKE	HOWE	M WILLIAMS	REEVES
TUE SEPT 12TH	BOURNEMOUTH	A 0-3	3,673	22	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	REEVES	WILLIS	ROBINSON	DUKE	HEWLETT	HOWE	INVINCIBLE
TUE SEPT 19TH	TRANMERE WC2 (1)	A 1-1	4,789	-	GRIEMINK	COBIAN	TUOMELA	O'HALLORAN	ROBERTSON	DUKE	HEWLETT	M WILLIAMS	REEVES
SAT SEPT 23RD	LUTON TOWN	A 3-2	4,933	20	GRIEMINK	ALEXANDER	COBIAN	DUKE	DAVIS	REEVES	TUOMELA	M WILLIAMS 2	O'HALLORAN
TUE SEPT 26TH	TRANMERE WC2 (2)	H 0-1	4,753	-	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	REEVES	ROBINSON	DUKE	O'HALLORAN	HEWLETT	ALEXANDER	M WILLIAMS
SAT SEPT 30TH	WIGAN ATH.	H 2-2	4,895	21	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	REEVES	ROBINSON	DUKE	O'HALLORAN	HEWLETT	ALEXANDER	M WILLIAMS
SUN OCT 8TH	OXFORD UTD	H 2-1	7,975	18	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	WILLIS	REEVES	DAVIS	O'HALLORAN	INVINCIBLE	HEWLETT	DUKE
SAT OCT 14TH	OLDHAM ATH.	A 0-1	4,009	19	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	REEVES	WILLIS	ROBINSON	DUKE	INVINCIBLE	O'HALLORAN	HOWE
TUE OCT 17TH	SWANSEA CITY	A 0-0	6,337	18	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	REEVES	WILLIS	ROBINSON	DUKE	INVINCIBLE	O'HALLORAN	HOWE
SAT OCT 21ST	BRISTOL ROVERS	H 1-3	8,097	21	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	REEVES	WILLIS	ROBINSON	DUKE	INVINCIBLE	O'HALLORAN	HOWE
TUE OCT 24TH	MILLWALL	H 0-2	5,030	20	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	VAN DER LINDEN	WILLIS	ROBERTSON	HOWE	INVINCIBLE	M WILLIAMS
SAT OCT 28TH	NOTTS COUNTY	A 2-3	4,502	20	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	VAN DER LINDEN	WILLIS	ROBINSON	REEVES	INVINCIBLE 2	O'HALLORAN	HOWE
TUE OCT 31TH	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	H 3-1	3,452	20	GRIEMINK	DUKE	VAN DER LINDEN	WILLIS	ROBINSON	WOAN	INVINCIBLE 2	O'HALLORAN	REEVES
SAT NOV 4TH	WYCOMBE W.	H 1-1	5,226	20	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	VAN DER LINDEN	WILLIS	ROBINSON	REEVES	INVINCIBLE	O'HALLORAN	WOAN
TUE NOV 7TH	WREXHAM	H 2-2	4,423	18	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	WILLIS	VAN DER LINDEN	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	INVINCIBLE	REEVES
SAT NOV 11TH	PETERBOROUGH UTD	A 0-4	5,700	20	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	WILLIS	VAN DER LINDEN	DAVIS	O'HALLORAN	ROBERTSON	HOWE	WOAN
SAT NOV 18TH	ILKESTON TOWN (FAC1)	H 4-1	4,406	-	MILDENHALL	DAVIS	WILLIS	VAN DER LINDEN	COBIAN	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	REEVES	WOAN
SAT NOV 25TH	STOKE CITY	H 0-3	4,923	22	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	REEVES	WILLIS	DRYDEN	O'HALLORAN	WOAN	HOWE
SAT DEC 2ND	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	A 1-0	5,816	21	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	DAVIS	REEVES	DUKE	DRYDEN	O'HALLORAN	WOAN	HOWE
SAT DEC 9TH	GATESHEAD (FAC2)	H 5-0	4,703	-	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	ROBINSON	VAN DER LINDEN	REEVES	HOWE	WOAN	O'HALLORAN 2	INVINCIBLE
SAT DEC 16TH	ROTHERHAM UTD	H 2-1	4,740	20	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	ROBINSON	REEVES	HOWE	DRYDEN	WOAN	INVINCIBLE	WHITLEY
SAT DEC 23RD	BURY	A 0-1	2,921	20	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	ROBINSON	REEVES	HOWE	DRYDEN	WOAN	INVINCIBLE	WHITLEY
TUE DEC 26TH	BRENTFORD	H 2-3	6,649	19	GRIEMINK	DAVIS	ROBINSON	REEVES	HOWE	DRYDEN	WOAN	INVINCIBLE	M WILLIAMS
MON JAN 1ST	WALSALL	A 0-1	5,548	19	GRIEMINK	COBIAN	REEVES	DRYDEN	DAVIS	O'HALLORAN	HOWE	WOAN	DUKE
SAT JAN 6TH	COVENTRY CITY (FAC3)	H 0-2	14,445	-	GRIEMINK	HALL	DAVIS	REEVES	DRYDEN	WOAN	DUKE	WHITLEY	ALEXANDER
TUE JAN 9TH	MILLWALL (LDV)	A 3-2*	2,394	-	MILDENHALL	HALL	ROBINSON	INVINCIBLE	DUKE	VAN DER LINDEN	MCHUGH	J. WILLIAMS	YOUNG
SAT JAN 13TH	PORT VALE	H 0-1	5,175	22	MILDENHALL	HALL	REEVES	DRYDEN	DAVIS	COWE	O'HALLORAN	WOAN	VAN DER LINDEN
SAT JAN 27TH	BURY	H 3-0	4,960	19	MILDENHALL	VAN DER LINDEN	REEVES	HEYWOOD	DUKE	INVINCIBLE	O'HALLORAN	MCHUGH	COWE
TUE JAN 30TH	WYCOMBE (LDV)	H 2-1	3,244	-	GRIEMINK	ROBINSON	DUKE	HEYWOOD	WILLIS	VAN DER LINDEN	O'HALLORAN	MCHUGH	J. WILLIAMS
SUN FEB 4TH	WREXHAM	A 1-1	3,004	19	MILDENHALL	VAN DER LINDEN	DUKE	HEYWOOD	O'HALLORAN	COWE	REDDY	ALEXANDER	REEVES
SAT FEB 10TH	BRISTOL CITY	H											
TUE FEB 13TH	SOUTHEND UTD (LDV)	A											
SAT FEB 17TH	CAMBRIDGE UTD	A											
TUE FEB 20TH	BOURNEMOUTH	H											
SAT FEB 24TH	LUTON TOWN	H											
SAT MAR 3RD	WIGAN ATH.	A											
TUE MAR 6TH	OLDHAM ATH.	H											
SAT MAR 10TH	OXFORD UTD	A											
SAT MAR 17TH	SWANSEA CITY	H											
TUE MAR 20TH	COLCHESTER UTD	A											
SAT MAR 24TH	BRISTOL ROVERS	A											
TUE MAR 27TH	READING	H											
SAT MAR 31ST	ROTHERHAM UTD	A											
SAT APR 7TH	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	H											
TUE APR 10TH	BRENTFORD	A											
SAT APR 14TH	MILLWALL	A											
MON APR 16TH	NOTTS COUNTY	H											
SAT APR 21ST	WYCOMBE W.	A											
SAT APR 28TH	PETERBOROUGH UTD	H											
SAT MAY 5TH	STOKE CITY	A											

Many Happy Returns

MANY HAPPY RETURNS TO TOWN FAN JORDAN BARNES WHO IS EIGHT YEARS OLD TODAY. THIS PICTURE OF JORDAN WAS TAKEN AT ASHTON GATE EARLIER THIS SEASON WHEN SWINDON WON ONE-NIL (JORDAN IS SEEN HERE IN THE OLD AWAY KIT, THE OTHER LAD IS JORDAN'S BROTHER CRAIG.)



Top Scorers 2000/2001...

DANNY INVINCIBLE	9
O' HALLORAN	5
REEVES, HOWE, ALEXANDER	4
M. WILLIAMS, COWE	3

Top Gates 2000/2001...

COVENTRY CITY	14,454
BRISTOL ROVERS	8,097
OXFORD UNITED	7,975
COLCHESTER UNITED	7,296

Last Four Matches...

WREXHAM	4TH FEB	A	D 1-1
WYCOMBE WORS	30TH JAN	H	W 2-1
BURY	27TH JAN	H	W 3-0
COLCHESTER	23TH JAN	A	P-P

FRONT COVER STEVE COWE

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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10TH 2001 3.00PM
VS BRISTOL CITY



PLAYER IN RED
DENOTES SCORER
(P=PENALTY SHOOT-OUT SCORER)

SYMBOL IN GREY (+-) DENOTES PLAYER REPLACED



WILLIS	HEWLETT	HOWE *	COWE *	GRIFFIN	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
GRAZIOLI *	DUKE *	HOWE *	GRIFFIN	VAN DER LINDEN	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
VAN DER LINDEN	HEWLETT *	COWE *	A. WILLIAMS *	GRIFFIN	ROBINSON	MILDENHALL
GRAZIOLI *	ALEXANDER	DAVIS *	GRIFFIN	WILLIS	DUKE	MILDENHALL
GRIFFIN *	DAVIS	GRAZIOLI *	WILLIAMS *	COBIAN	VAN DER LINDEN	MILDENHALL
DAVIS	HEWLETT	ROBERTSON *	GRAZIOLI *	COWE *	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
DAVIS	HEWLETT	GRAZIOLI *	ROBERTSON *	COBIAN	VAN DER LINDEN	MILDENHALL
O'HALLORAN	M WILLIAMS	TUOMELA	GRAZIOLI *	COBIAN	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
DAVIS	ALEXANDER	ROBINSON *	A. WILLIAMS *	VAN DER LINDEN	GRAZIOLI	MILDENHALL
HEWLETT	ROBERTSON *	ROBINSON *	INVINCIBLE *	YOUNG *	GRAZIOLI	MILDENHALL
TUOMELA *	ROBERTSON *	INVINCIBLE *	WILLIS *	GRAZIOLI *	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
WILLIS	INVINCIBLE	VAN DER LINDEN	COBIAN	GRAZIOLI	YOUNG	MILDENHALL
M WILLIAMS	ALEXANDER *	A. WILLIAMS *	GRAZIOLI *	VAN DER LINDEN *	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
ALEXANDER *	M WILLIAMS *	A. WILLIAMS *	GRAZIOLI *	VAN DER LINDEN *	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
ALEXANDER *	M WILLIAMS *	ROBERTSON *	GRAZIOLI *	YOUNG *	VAN DER LINDEN	MILDENHALL
GRAZIOLI *	M WILLIAMS *	A. WILLIAMS *	VAN DER LINDEN *	ROBERTSON *	YOUNG	MILDENHALL
WILLIAMS (S/O)	O'HALLORAN	COWE *	REEVES *	GRAZIOLI *	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
WOAN	M WILLIAMS *	ROBERTSON *	GRAZIOLI *	REEVES	DUKE *	MILDENHALL
HAMPTON *	M WILLIAMS *	COWE *	GRAZIOLI *	COBIAN	YOUNG	MILDENHALL
HOWE *	M WILLIAMS *	GRAZIOLI *	ROBERTSON *	DUKE	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
WOAN	M WILLIAMS *	ROBERTSON *	ALEXANDER *	COWE	GRAZIOLI	MILDENHALL
INVINCIBLE	M WILLIAMS *	DUKE *	GRAZIOLI *	ALEXANDER *	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
INVINCIBLE *	M WILLIAMS *	DUKE *	ALEXANDER *	YOUNG *	GRAZIOLI	FARR
INVINCIBLE *	M WILLIAMS *	DUKE *	ALEXANDER *	GRAZIOLI *	VAN DER LINDEN	MILDENHALL
INVINCIBLE *	ALEXANDER	VAN DER LINDEN *	M WILLIAMS *	COWE	HALL	MILDENHALL
ALEXANDER	M WILLIAMS *	COWE 2 *	YOUNG *	DUKE *	WILLIS	MILDENHALL
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ALEXANDER *	O'HALLORAN *	DUKE *	VAN DER LINDEN *	HALL *	COWE	MILDENHALL
INVINCIBLE	ALEXANDER *	VAN DER LINDEN *	COWE *	J. WILLIAMS *	DAVIES	MILDENHALL
INVINCIBLE	COWE	YOUNG *	J. WILLIAMS *	O'HALLORAN *	VAN DER LINDEN	MILDENHALL
REEVES	ALEXANDER	COBIAN *	MILLS *	HALLIDAY *	CAMPANA	FARR
LIGHTBOURNE *	INVINCIBLE	DUKE *	YOUNG *	ALEXANDER *	ROBINSON	FARR
LIGHTBOURNE *	REDDY *	ALEXANDER *	YOUNG *	HALL *	ROBINSON	GRIEMINK
INVINCIBLE *	ALEXANDER 2	REDDY *	HALL *	YOUNG	COBIAN	MILDENHALL
J WILLIAMS	WOAN *	INVINCIBLE *	ROBINSON *	WILLIS	HALL	GRIEMINK

Nationwide Division Two 2000/2001

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TEAM	PLD	HW	HD	HL	HF	HA	AW	AD	AL	AF	AA	GD	PTS
MILLWALL	28	10	1	4	34	11	8	2	3	26	18	31	57
WALSALL	30	11	4	0	35	12	5	4	6	16	18	21	56
WIGAN ATHLETIC	30	11	4	0	23	9	3	8	4	17	18	13	54
ROTHERHAM	28	7	4	3	27	18	7	4	3	18	16	11	50
STOKE CITY	28	8	4	3	21	11	5	6	2	22	17	15	49
READING	27	11	2	2	42	15	3	3	6	12	18	21	47
BRISTOL CITY	28	8	3	4	35	18	5	5	3	14	10	21	47
NORTHAMPTON	29	5	5	3	16	14	6	4	6	17	19	0	42
NOTTS COUNTY	27	6	4	3	23	18	6	2	6	14	22	-3	42
BOURNEMOUTH	27	4	5	4	17	14	6	4	4	27	19	11	39
BRENTFORD	28	5	6	2	17	17	4	6	5	14	21	-7	39
WYCOMBE WDRS	26	7	2	3	18	12	3	6	5	9	13	2	38
OLDHAM ATHLETIC	30	7	4	4	21	15	2	6	7	12	24	-6	37
WREXHAM	26	5	4	5	16	18	4	4	4	20	20	-2	35
COLCHESTER UNTD	26	5	3	4	14	12	4	5	5	15	20	-3	35
PETERBOROUGH	28	7	3	3	21	14	2	4	9	13	23	-3	34
CAMBRIDGE UNITED	28	5	5	5	22	18	3	3	7	15	27	-8	32
BURY	28	6	4	5	14	16	3	1	9	10	22	-14	32
SWINDON TOWN	27	4	4	6	19	24	3	2	8	8	21	-18	27
BRISTOL ROVERS	25	0	7	4	8	15	5	3	6	20	17	-4	25
PORT VALE	25	4	5	4	18	12	2	1	9	7	21	-8	24
SWANSEA CITY	26	3	5	4	14	13	2	3	9	13	29	-15	23
LUTON TOWN	26	3	1	9	13	24	1	5	7	14	27	-24	18
OXFORD UNITED	27	3	2	9	13	19	1	0	12	16	41	-31	14

Nationwide Appearances 2000/2001

PLAYER NAME:	SQUAD NO.S	LEAGUE APPS.	CUP APPS.	TOTAL APPS.	GOALS ALL COMPS
BART GRIEMINK	1	24	7	31	-
MARK ROBINSON	2	21(2)	5(1)	26(3)	1
SOL DAVIS	3	20(1)	6(1)	26(2)	-
MATTHEW HEWLETT	4	10	4	14	-
ADAM WILLIS	5	17	3(1)	20(1)	1
ANTOINE VAN DER LINDEN	6	10(8)	4	14(8)	1
KEITH O'HALLORAN	7	26	7(1)	33(1)	5
BOBBY HOWE	8	16(2)	4	20(2)	5
KYLE LIGHTBOURNE	9	2	-	2	-
GIULIANO GRAZIOLI	10	4(10)	1(3)	5(13)	1
DAVID DUKE	11	16(7)	6(3)	22(10)	1
JUAN COBIAN	12	3	4	7	-
STEVE COWE	14	4(4)	1(2)	5(6)	3
ANDY WILLIAMS	15	2(4)	(2)	2(6)	-
MICHAEL REDDY	16	2	(1)	2(1)	1
DANIEL INVINCIBLE	17	24(2)	3(1)	27(3)	9
GARY ALEXANDER	18	14(5)	7(1)	21(6)	4
MATTHEW HEYWOOD	19	2	1	2	-
FRAZER MCHUGH	20	1	2	3	-
GARETH DAVIES	21	-	-	-	-
ALAN REEVES	22	24(1)	8	32(1)	4
STEVE MILDENHALL	23	3(1)	2	5(1)	-
ALAN YOUNG	26	1(2)	1(3)	2(5)	1
JAMES WILLIAMS	29	1(1)	2(1)	3(2)	-
IAN WOAN	31	13	3	16	1
GARETH HALL	30	1(1)	2(1)	3(2)	-
KEVIN HALLIDAY	-	-	(1)	(1)	-
JAMIE MILLS	-	-	(1)	(1)	-

Mascot Five

MATTHEW FAGAN - TWELVE YEARS OLD TODAY IS A SWINDON TOWN AND MANCHESTER UNITED FAN. MATT'S FAVOURITE PLAYERS ARE DANNY INVINCIBLE AND ROY KEANE. HIS HOBBIES INCLUDE PLAYING FOOTBALL FOR CHPPENHAM TOWN, BASKETBALL AND SWIMMING AND HE ATTENDS SHELDON SCHOOL.



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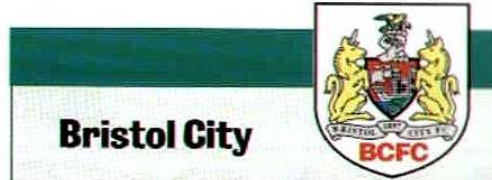
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The Squad

1	Bart Griemink	
2	Mark Robinson	
3	Sol Davis	
4	Matthew Hewlett	
5	Adam Willis	
6	Antoine van der Linden	
7	Keith O'Halloran	
8	Bobby Howe	
10	Giuliano Grazioli	
11	David Duke	
12	Juan Cobian	
14	Steve Cowe	
15	Andy Williams	
16	Michael Reddy	
17	Daniel Invincibile	
18	Gary Alexander	
19	Matthew Heywood	
20	Frazer McHugh	
21	Gareth Davies	
22	Alan Reeves	
23	Steve Mildenhall	
26	Alan Young	
29	James Williams	
30	Gareth Hall	
31	Ian Woan	

The Manager

Andy King



Bristol City

The Squad

1	Billy Mercer	1
2	Louis Carey	2
3	Mickey Bell	3
4	Paul Holland	4
5	Keith Millen	5
6	Andrew Jordan	6
7	Scott Murray	7
8	Tommy Doherty	8
9	Peter Beadle	9
10	Tony Thorpe	10
11	Brian Tinnion	11
12	Greg Goodridge	12
13	Alan Miller	13
14	Steve Phillips	14
15	Mark Lever	15
16	Lee Peacock	16
18	Carl Hutchings	18
19	Gerard Levin	19
20	Paul Mortimer	20
21	Ivan Tistimetanu	21
22	Aaron Brown	22
27	Kevin Amankwaah	27
29	Robin Hulbert	29
30	Marvin Brown	30
31	Simon Clist	31
32	Kayode Odejayi	32
33	Danny Coles	33
35	Neil Ashley	35

The Manager

Danny Wilson

Clarion
CAR AUDIO & BEYOND

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S. J. Door

Assistant 2

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