

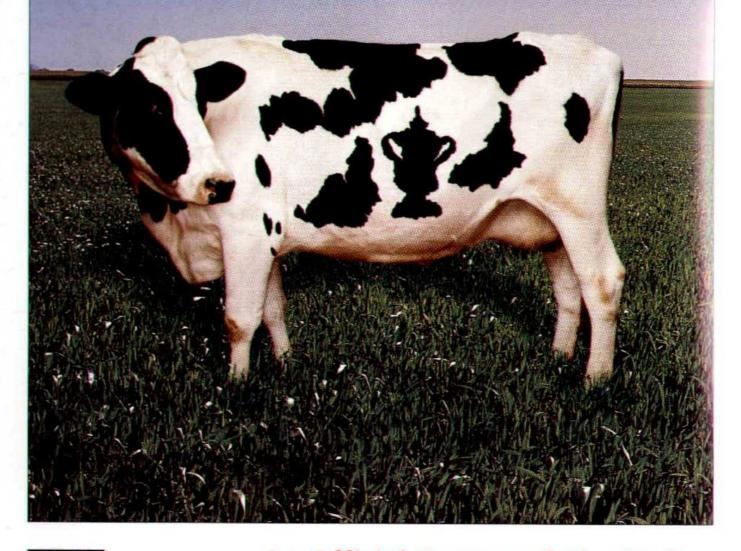
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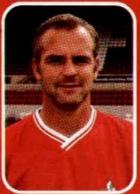
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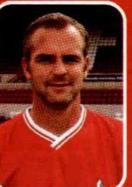
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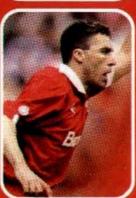
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Three weeks into the new season and everything is going rather well here at the club. The reaction from the fans last Saturday was fantastic and with 1400 travelling fans to Bournemouth it was like the good old days! Seven points and seventh position, I'm only personally sad that QPR and Port Vale are above us.

Everyone is using the word 'optimistic' and smiling, certainly there is a feel good factor around the place. Having been privileged to spend some time behind the scenes here, I am impressed with the hard work and dedication of the staff and yes they are all fans!

We also have the build-up to the BIG game, away in the Carling Cup to Leeds. This will be a great opportunity against a top team. The club is organising extra coaches (including an executive coach) for the trip to Elland Road.

Enjoy the game today....



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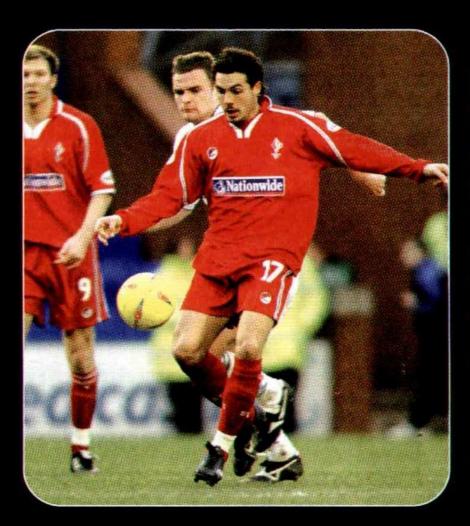
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THE NEWS THIS WEEK

COUNTY GROUND DIARY





TUESDAY 26TH AUGUST DANNY SHIRTS GO UNDER THE HAMMER

Two Danny Invincibile shirts are sold through STFC's official auction partners www.qxl.com.

The first was a signed home shirt, and the second was a match worn away shirt. The next auction is a Swindon Town home shirt signed by Tommy Mooney and Sam Parkin that will be presented to the winner by the Town goalscoring duo on the pitch at a forthcoming home game.

WEDNESDAY 27TH AUGUST TOWN GET SHIRTY

Swindon Town Mark Devlin explains the reasoning behind Monday's white kit worn at AFC Bournemouth.

"It was apparent to the Club a few weeks ago that there was a potential colour clash and that both our home and away shirts may not have satisfied the League's criteria. Having spoken to both the Football League and the Referee's Committee we decided that it would be best to wear a shirt of a completely different colour.

'We spoke to our kit suppliers Strikeforce and they produced the white shirt which was worn at AFC Bournemouth. We are very grateful to Strikeforce for their assistance in this matter. Having launched new home and away kits at the start of this season, we do not believe it would be correct or indeed fair, to retail a third shirt. However, we are already beginning to think about designs for next seasons home and away shirts and if fans like what they saw at Bournemouth, then I would ask them to contact the Club Shop and we will include this design in our online vote to decide next season's kits. This is likely to take place in November or December of this year, said Devlin.





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GOOD AFTERNOON AND A WARM WELCOME TO THE DIRECTORS, MANAGEMENT, PLAYERS AND SUPPORTERS OF BLACKPOOL

Firstly, I must congratulate the fans on a dignified, warm & fantastic response last Saturday to Jenny Davis, her family and friends, I must say you were a credit to this Football Club.

I was delighted with our performance against Notts County although it was dampened by Sammy Igoe's sending-off. I can't condone his actions, but we will now lose him for three games. I have told the players not to react to provocation, we have a small squad and cannot afford to pick up suspensions.

It was fantastic that so many Swindon supporters came down to Bournemouth. We sold our entire allocation and you were brilliant, many thanks.

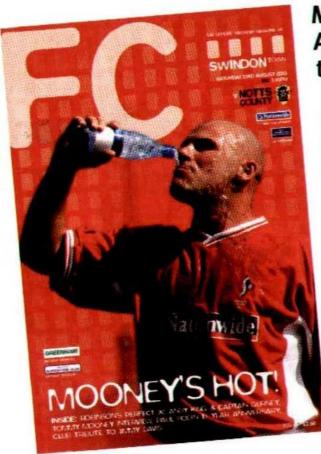
Although we competed well on Monday and took the lead twice, it was a tough game, but we could have nicked it in the end. Later in the season I think we could come to realise the importance of this result.

It was interesting to see Colchester beat
Bristol City in the week. Our result at Layer Road and
the away draw on Monday could prove significant.

So far this campaign we have made a decent start and have showed endeavour and commitment. As I have said before, we have a small squad and I am still trying to bring in at least one new player on loan. By the time of our next home game I hope I can bring you some further news.

Let's hope we get on top of our game again, thanks for your support, ENJOY THE GAME......

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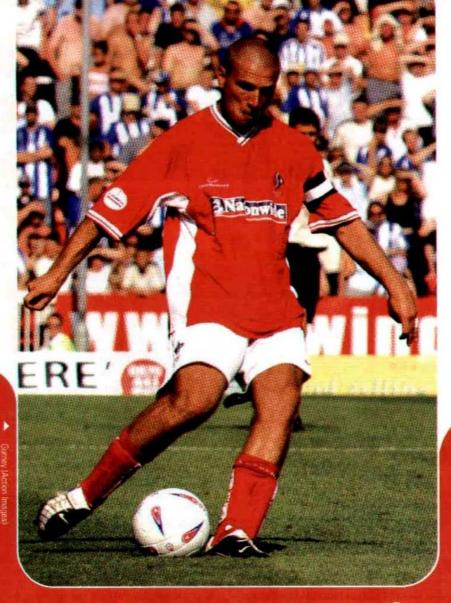
It has been a quiet week this week in the Town Treatment Room with the squad largely unscathed from the weekend games against Notts County and AFC Bournemouth.

Alan Young has been in with a chest infection. He trained on Tuesday morning but with these notes being penned before Wednesday's reserve game, I wouldn't expect him to have played any part. However, he should have recovered sufficiently to have trained in the latter part of the week.

David Duke received a kick against Colchester and in the build-up to the Notts County game. He was taken off against Notts County to save him from any further discomfort and was replaced by Grant Smith in the second half. He should have had a good week's rest and be available for selection ahead of today's visit of Blackpool to The County Ground.

Enjoy the game - Dick Mackey.





CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

WELCOME TO OUR IMPORTANT GAME THIS AFTERNOON AGAINST BLACKPOOL

All of the team are disappointed that we did not come away with three points against Bournemouth, it was a tough game and it is always difficult to play two games in three days.

We were delighted to score four against Notts County but they did gift us a goal or two!! Still, after a very difficult week for the lads it was great to put four past Mildy, again!

The mood around the club remains good but we must keep our feet on the ground and the draw against

Bournemouth was disappointing, especially as we were ahead at half time. I managed a few runs forward and we had opportunities from free kicks, we must try to convert these chances, especially close to the edge of the box. We certainly did not go out for a draw and we really should have got the three points.

It was good to see Robbo score again, he's having a good season and the lads are really beginning to gel together as a team.

But today we need points, thanks again for your vocal support, the mood last Saturday was fantastic, please keep behind the lads and enjoy the game.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE, STFC. MARK DEVLIN





Good afternoon to you all for today's visit of Blackpool and our third home league game of the season. On behalf of the board of directors at the County Ground can I also extend a warm welcome to the directors, manager, players and supporters of Blackpool.

I've recently returned from a family break in Italy and I was very grateful to Mike Sullivan, our Sales & Marketing Manager, for the constant updates on both our bank holiday matches. When you are not able to be present at games you tend to get very nervous before a game, and to be 'texted' that we were two nil up after ten minutes more than settled my nerves. I too subscribe to the official SMS service, but it's good to keep Mike busy. Can I also thank everyone who was present at the Notts County game for the respect they showed to Jimmy Davis and his family just prior to the match; you were a credit to

yourselves and this club. Our solid league start has been supplemented by our win in the Carling Cup and draw to play Leeds United at Elland Road. Not only is this a terrific match for fans and players alike, but given our start to the season and Leeds' early problems, there is no reason why our team cannot go to Yorkshire hopeful of pulling off a cup shock. Whatever happens it will be interesting to see Jon Ritson's reaction at the end of the game, given he is a native of Yorkshire.

The attendance at the Notts County game is worthy of mention. Last year the same game attracted just over 4,200 supporters. This included a special ticket offer for local girls and women's football teams. This year the gate was over 5,700, there were no promotional prices for this game, it was Bank Holiday Saturday

and Notts County brought less than 200 supporters. If we can continue to see at least 5,500 of our supporters, plus whatever the visiting side bring then this will help the club considerably, both on and off the pitch.

We are already looking at utilising the Stratton Bank for several promotions during the season, and on behalf of the club I thank you all for your support. However, if you still know of any lapsed fans or young football supporters who have yet to visit the County Ground this season, can I please ask you to do whatever you can to get them back to see the team. I think you will agree that we have a team and squad worth having a look at.

You will have noticed the 'white' kit we used at Bournemouth. We had to do this because the Football League deemed that both our standard kits would clash with Bournemouth's home strip. Because of the time constraints we will soon be receiving designs of next season's kits. If this white 'one-off' kit is something you would like to see on a more permanent basis next season, then please get in contact with the club to let us know. We will as last season, run a website vote for next season kits and we will include this kit if it gets support from our fans.

Thanks for your continued support and enjoy the game.



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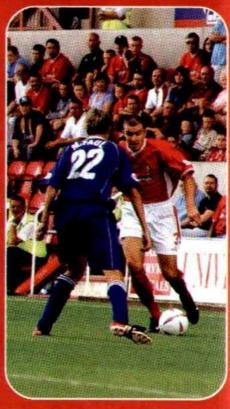
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MATCH ACTION SWINDON TOWN 4

NOTTS COUNTY 0





An emotional afternoon at the County Ground saw a virtuoso Town performance in memory of the flair and artistry of Jimmy Davis. Swindon notched up an emphatic 4:0 win with a brace of goals in two spells at the start of each half lifting them to 6th in the table. Hewlett, Mooney, Parkin and Igoe graced the scoresheet before Sammy Igoe was sent off, writes STFC Sports Reporter Simon Coy.

Before the game an impeccable minute's silence was observed. "There's only one Jimmy Davis" resounded round the ground before Jenny Davis, Jimmy's Mum, spoke passionately to the fans in a moment that will be remembered by her family and Swindon supporters for many years to come and the players responded in the best possible way.

Town began with a flourish and within ten minutes were already two ahead. In the 8th minute the energetic Sammy

Igoe tricked into the right of the County box before floating the ball back into the heart of the danger zone. The Magpies cleared to the edge of the box where Matt Hewlett, running in rifled an unstoppable volley into the roof of the net from 20 yards.

Minutes later the lead was doubled after a glaring error in the County defence. Ex-Tottenham star Dean Caskey played a short backpass towards Swindon old boy Steve Mildenhall. An alert Tommy Mooney pounced and ran clear with defenders trailing in his wake. As the keeper approached the big number eight skipped round and slotted the ball into an empty net.

Swindon dominated the first half hour of the game with Stefani Miglioranzi and Igoe running the midfield. After 15 minutes Hewlett caught hold of another volley from David Duke's throw but the ball was deflected and

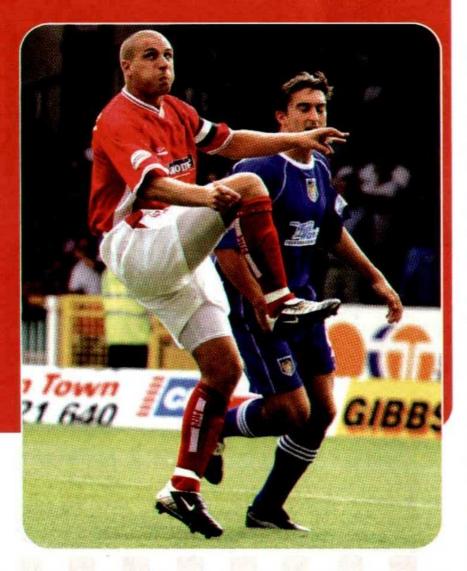
looped harmlessly into the arms of Mildenhall

Notts County created little but on 30 minutes a long ball from lan Richardson found County's most constructive player Clive Platt. Bart Griemink raced off his line to challenge on the right of the box but Platt broke clear. He fired across an empty goal but no-one was there to support his efforts and the danger passed.

In the 32nd minute Miglioranzi starting and finishing an excellent move was unlucky not to score. His pass from midfield found Mooney on the left who played the ball across the box behind Sammy Parkin. Miglioranzi picked up the loose ball sending a rocket of a shot goalbound but a brilliant save from Mildenhall parried the ball around

At the other end a ball from Platt ran to Mark Stallard whose shot was

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deflected wide of the right hand upright. Just before half time Nick Fenton again found Stallard on the edge of the Swindon box but his weak shot was easily gathered by Griemink.

Within a minute of the restart Swindon were three goals ahead. Super Sammy Parkin reached the edge of the Magpies box before slipping the ball to Mooney on the right. Tommy closed in on goal but was unlucky to see his shot hit the base of the right hand post and agonisingly across the face of goal but Parkin was on hand to poke the ball home.

Town then sealed the win with a superb fourth goal after 50 minutes.

Mooney played an exquisite back heel on the right of midfield into the path of Igoe. Sammy skipped forward, rounded the defender and slid the ball beneath a floundering Mildenhall. The goal was one Jimmy Davis himself would have been proud of. His Mum Jenny must have been impressed by the way Swindon had risen to the occasion.

Just after the hour Igoe's game ended early. As the midfield general was making another trademark run through the centre of midfield he was scythed down from behind by County substitute Paul Heffernan. It was a certain booking for the Magpies man but Igoe reacted angrily. As players squared up in the centre circle Sammy used his

head against Heffernan. The ref saw intent and sent Igoe off.

In the 79th minute County should have pulled a goal back when Heffernan found himself free in the box but his low goalbound shot from eight yards was saved well by Griemink.

With ten minutes left Miglioranzi fed Parkin through the centre whose run into the box ended under the challenge of two defenders but Town's calls for a penalty were waved away.

The game ended with controversy. Sub Jon Stevenson was felled in the same spot as Igoe when Baraclough's arm caught him in the face but the ref sparingly flashed yellow and not the red.

At the final whistle Town received a standing ovation from all corners of the ground and the fans filed away still singing "There's only one Jimmy Davis". How proud he would have been.

SWINDON TOWN: Bart

Griemink, Matt Hewlett, Adrian Viveash, Andy Gurney (Capt.), Sammy Igoe, Tommy Mooney (Jon Stevenson), Sam Parkin, Stefani Miglioranzi, David Duke (Grant Smith), Matt Heywood, Steve Robinson (Brian Howard)

Subs Rhys Evans, Grant Smith, Jon Stevenson, Brian Howard, Alan Reeves

NOTTS COUNTY: Steve

Mildenhall, Paul Bolland, Kevin Nicholson (Paul Riley), Nick Fenton (Shane McFaul), Simon Baldry, Tony Barras, Ian Richardson, Darren Caskey (Paul Heffernan), Ian Baraclough, Clive Platt, Mark Stallard

Subs Stuart Garden, Paul Heffernan, Tony Hackworth, Paul Riley, Shane McFaul

MATCH ACTION BOURNEMOUTH 2

SWINDON TOWN 2





Swindon grabbed an early lead through Tommy Mooney before letting Bournemouth back for a quick equaliser, but finished the half stronger going ahead before half time through Robinson. However, a strong performance in the second half saw the Cherries claim a deserved equaliser through James Hayter. An expectant crowd of 6606 saw the Cherries immediately on the attack when ex-Bristol Rovers man Marcus Browning fired a right foot shot straight at Bart Griemink from the edge of the box.

The game came to life just after quarter of an hour when Town took the lead. Andy Gurney picked up the ball in the centre of the park, surged forward and let fly from 25 yards but the shot was deflected behind. Sammy Igoe's corner was cleared to the edge of the box where David Duke headed back into the danger area. An alert Tommy Mooney pounced on the loose

ball and nodded home from six yards for his 4th goal of the season.

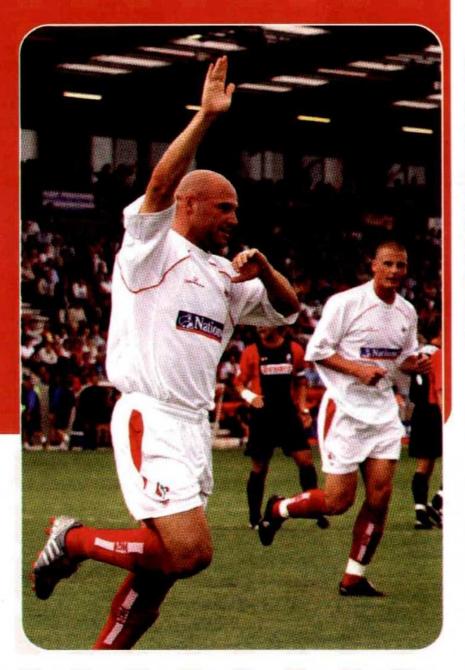
Swindon held the lead for less than five minutes. Bournemouth were awarded a 21st minute free kick on the left of goal 23 yards out. Garreth O'Connor stepped up and fired the ball towards the far post where Shaun Maher making his first start for 11 months was on hand to head powerfully home from close range.

On the half hour Sammy Igoe fed Robinson on the right touchline whose cross was met by Broadhurst for a Town corner. Igoe whipped the ball in which appeared to strike a Cherries arm but Premiership referee Rob Stiles waved away Swindon appeals for a penalty. Shortly after a Gurney long ball from the back found Duke on the left. His ball inside was met by the excellent Miglioranzi whose right foot 20 yard drive whistled past the left hand post. With ten minutes of the half

left Town went ahead again through Robinson. Mooney making a strong run into the Cherries box fired a close range shot that was cleared to the 18 yard line where Miglioranzi played the ball back in low. Steve Robinson reacted first to sidefoot home from eight vards.

Just before half time Bournemouth had an excellent opportunity to equalize. After a Swindon foul 30 yards from goal Gurney protested and talked himself into the book. The free kick was advanced 10 yards into a central position on the edge of the Town box. O'Connor stepped forward to blaze the ball high into the stand and Swindon went into the break ahead. In the second half Bournemouth started to take control. In the 51st minute Feeney broke down the right, his cross found O'Connor whose shot was saved by Griemink, Five minutes later the home side were unlucky again. Feeney unleashed a powerful

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right foot drive from 10 yards, which crashed against the post.

Bournemouth levelled just after the hour. The lively O'Connor, free on the right of midfield, sent a cross beyond the Town defence but found Feeney on the far side of the penalty area. Feeney's ball back was met by Hayter whose looping header nestled in the far corner. Duke earned a 65th minute booking when a sharp Bournemouth break found him as the last line of defence on the half way line. His block

ensured the home side didn't find their way clear and earned the Scot a yellow card. A minute later a Town free kick 20 yards out was curled high and wide by Gurney. Bournemouth continued to look the stronger side pressing forward for a winner. Steve Fletcher's 69th minute shot struck Miglioranzi and flew wide. In the 78th minute Broadhurst headed Hayter's corner back into the box. With the ball going wide Cherries sub Connell somehow reached it but his header



only found the roof of the net.
In the final minute Bournemouth had a last chance to snatch the winner. From a corner Hayter floated the ball across for a Maher header which ended up harmlessly behind.

At the end of the day Town would be happy with a good away point that may be invaluable at the end of a long hard campaign.

AFC BOURNEMOUTH: Neil

Moss, Stephen Purches, Karl Broadhurst, Carl Fletcher, Steve Fletcher, Garreth O'Connor, Marcus Browning, James Hayter, Shaun Maher, Wade Elliott, Warren Feeney (Alan Connell 77) Subs Gareth Stewart, Brian Stock, Danny Thomas, Derek Holmes, Alan Connell

SWINDON TOWN: Bart

Griemink, Matt Hewlett, Adi Viveash, Andy Gurney, Sammy Igoe, Tommy Mooney, Sam Parkin, Stefani Miglioranzi, David Duke, Matt Heywood, Steve Robinson Subs Rhys Evans, Grant Smith, Jon Stevenson, Brian Howard, Alan Reeves

FIRST IMPRESSIONS OF SWINDON TOWN FC

IN RECENT WEEKS WE HAVE INCLUDED SPECIAL FEATURES ON NEW MEN TOMMY MOONEY AND SAMMY IGOE. TODAY WE LOOK AT THE REST OF ANDY'S NEW SIGNINGS:







RHYS EVANS

The big keeper was first brought to the attention of Town fans when he flew the nest in search of a Premiership shirt at Chelsea. One suspects Rhys will have benefited enormously with the coaching and experience that he will have gained at Stamford Bridge and will push Bart Griemink all the way for his first team place. Able to dominate his penalty area to good effect, he continues to represent England at U21 level and he will be keen to add regular first team action to his CV to keep the caps coming.

In a word: Confident

JON STEVENSON

Joining from Leicester City where Jon was scoring regularly in the reserves, supporters at the Walker's Stadium were reportedly surprised that he was allowed to leave in the summer. Any striking combination featuring Stevenson will have the classic 'little and large' format whether he is teamed with Sam Parkin or Tommy Mooney. Small and fast, opposition defences can expect to have to be on their toes when Jon takes to the forward line, but he will have a fight on his hands to dislodge either of his striking colleagues in their current scoring veins.

In a word: Tricky



BRYAN HOWARD

Bryan's arrival from Southampton was heralded as a triumph of Andy King's persuasive powers, as Howard had attracted attention from other clubs looking to add his skills to their pay role. Slight of frame, midfielder Bryan has more strength than is immediately apparent. Well respected by fellow England international and now team-mate Rhys Evans, Bryan played in the majority of pre-season matches where he showed vision and ability.

Not currently commanding a regular shirt in the starting line-up, he has the skill which Andy King will be pleased to have available if injuries or suspension force changes. The imminent three-match loss of the influential Sammy Igoe may well offer Bryan the chance to stake his claim to a regular place.

In a word: Controlled



ANDREW NICHOLAS

One of those players described as 'a signing for the future' Andrew joined Town from Liverpool and was the early summer playing addition that brought much needed left footed balance to the squad.

Taller than the average left back he might find himself better suited to a flat back four than Andy King's current preference for playing a sweeper with wing backs, but with a long season ahead he may be just the man to allow Andy to make some tactical adjustments as the campaign progresses.

In a word: Potential



GRANT SMITH

Another player whose arrival helped address the rightfooted bias of the squad, Grant was given the number three shirt at the start of the season. Any thoughts that he is purely a left back however were scuppered when his early outings saw him make contributions all over the pitch. Able to support the forward line with runs from midfield, Grant looks capable of fulfilling a variety of roles in a squad that has improved in quality but still lacks a little in quantity.

In a word: Versatile



BEN MARTIN

Joining from Aylesbury, Ben's family are personal friends of Andy King who is giving the huge defender the chance to establish himself in the professional game. At 6ft 7in he will never fail to make an impression and his appearance at right back during pre-season gave the rookie a stiff test when he found himself pitted against Teddy Sheringham of Portsmouth.

Ben will know he has a lot of work ahead of him, but that early glimpse showed a young man with a cool head and a more subtle touch than usually found in such a big man. He will be well aware that his obvious physical advantages will place him in a beneficial position if he can develop the skills necessary to create a professional career in the game.



ADI VIVEASH

Adi is the only new recruit who is actually setting a second impression. Making his League debut as a Town substitute in a home game with Middlesbrough thirteen years ago next month, he suffered the ignominy of being subbed back off again by manager Ossie Ardiles soon after. Moving on to Walsall and Reading, Adi brings home a wealth of successful experience at this level, which is being deployed in his familiar place on the left side of defence. Calm and dominating, he is demonstrating that he is the ideal replacement for the Alan Reeves as Reevesy ramps down his first team appearances to concentrate on coaching. In a word: Reliable





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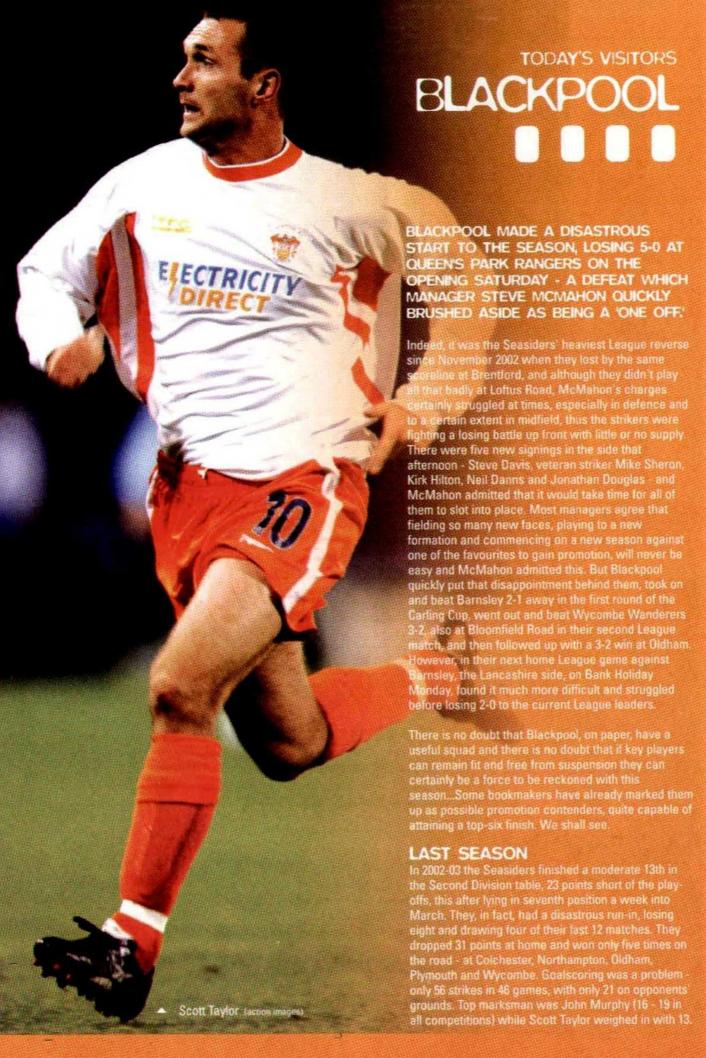
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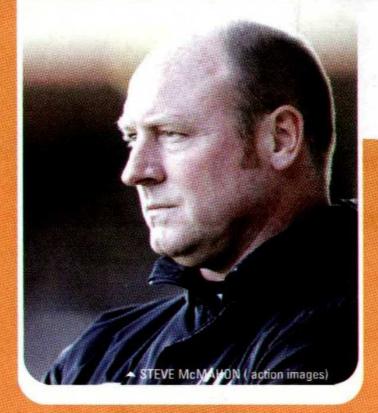
The picture above appeared in the Match Day magazine for the opening League match of the 1980-81 season. The first thing that struck me about it was that it contained no less than three players who played at one time and were highly successful at Swindon. Peter Noble of the balding pate and flashing headers belonged very much to Swindon's past having notched 20 goals in league and cup games during the Town's halcyon season of 1969- 70 and been made the Town's Footballer of the Year in 1971. By this time he was plying his trade as a full back for the Seasiders. Two players who would become part of the red and white army were Dave Bamber who would notch 46 goals in all competitions from 137 appearances for Town and who would return to Blackpool to end his career. Dave Hockaday made over 250 appearances for Swindon and his pre match stretching routine perhaps explains why his career lasted so long and how he has now become involved with coaching at a Football Academy.

The Match Day Magazine at this time cost just 30 pence and contained interesting information about Town managers in the fifties by Paul Plowman and an interview with David Peach. The game resulted in a 2-1 victory for Blackpool with Dave Hockaday described in the programme notes as 'having little first team experience over the past four years but hoping to establish a regular place" and Paul Fletcher who had been signed by Blackpool for £50,000 after he had twice topped the scoring charts at Burnley getting the goals for Blackpool while Swindon's goal came from a second half effort by Andy Rowland. It was a foretaste of what was to be a disappointing season for Town. Bobby Smith's cause was not helped by an unfortunate run of injuries and a failure to gain clearance for players he had signed from the New England Teamen to play. By the season's end John Trollope had made the last of his 770 League appearances for Town and had taken over the manager's chair from

Bobby Smith. Alan Mayes gave John Trollope's team the lead in the return fixture at Bloomfield Road but Blackpool shared the points thanks to a Wayne Entwisle goal. If the season was disappointing for Swindon who finished 17th and whose top League scorer was Andy Rowland with just 12 goals it was disastrous for Blackpool who finished 23rd and were relegated to Division Four for the first time in their history. Things had not seemed too bad at Christmas but only three wins in the period from January to May sealed their fate.

The lack of goals was the major problem with more than one goal only being scored once after February began and this still resulted in a 3-2 defeat at Chesterfield. Just like Bobby Smith at Swindon, Alan Ball, the Blackpool player manager who had left Vancouver Whitecaps to take over at Blackpool, paid the price of failure and had been replaced by Alan Brown when the following season started.





THE GAFFER

STEVE MCMAHON

STEVE McMAHON was born in Liverpool in August 1961 His playing career took him to 1979), Aston Villa (£300,000. May 1983), Liverpool (£350,000, City (December 1991) and of October 1999) before he moved to Blackpool as An aggressive, hard-tackling, totally committed central the FA Cup (1988 & 1989), a European Super Cup winning 1988 & 1989). He earned 17 full caps for England and he also represented his country in six Under-21 and two B World Cup squad McMahon made 120 first team

appearances for Everton (14 goals), had 91 outings for Villa (7 goals), starred in 277 matches for Liverpool (50 goals), played 90 times lone goal) for Manchester City and ended up with 51 appearances for Swindon. As a youngster McMahon was a ball-boy at Goodison Park for a Merseyside derby.

DID YOU KNOW?

Some 80 years ago, in season 1922-23, centre-forward Harry Bedford scored half of Blackpool's 60 League goals. His tally of 32 saw him top the charts in the Second Division that season. He was capped twice by England.

LAST MEETING

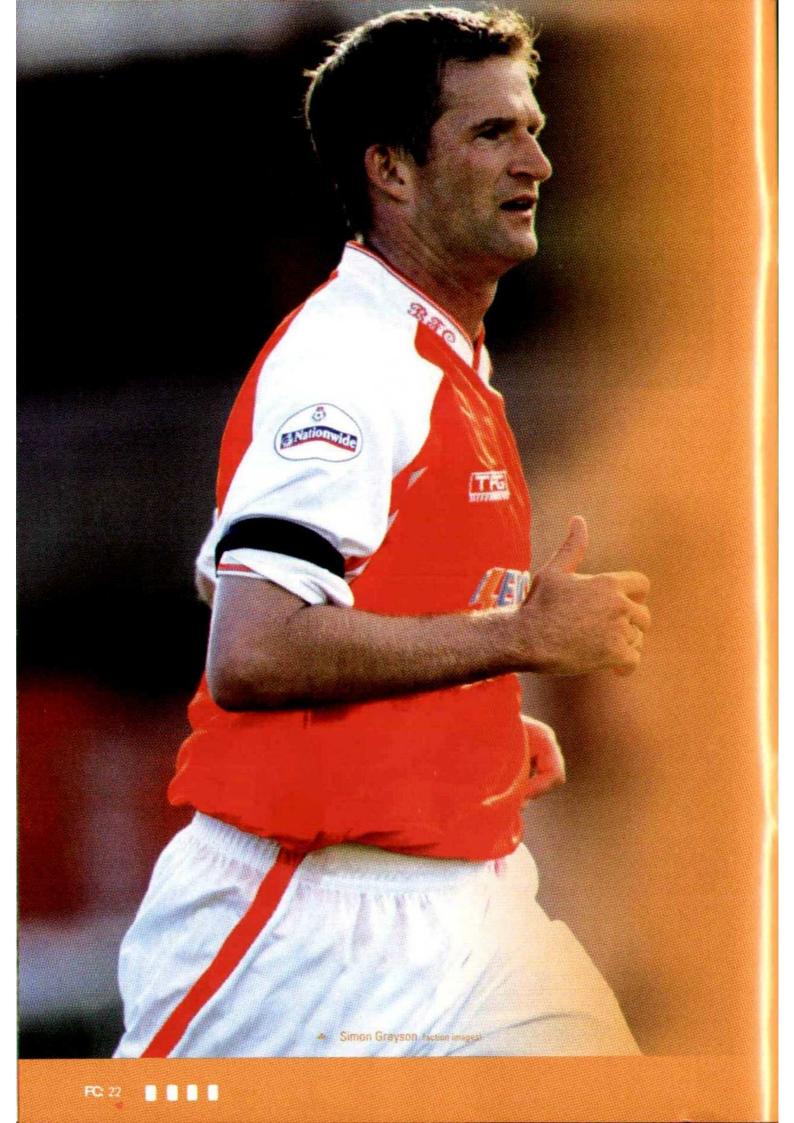
When Blackpool visited The County Ground last season (17 August 2002) they held Swindon to a goalless draw in front of 6,404 spectators. The return fixture at Bloomfield Boad (on 22 January) also finished level at 1–1.

DANGERMAN SCOTT TAYLOR

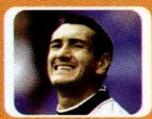
No stranger to Bloomfield Road, in January 2002 Scott signed a two and a half year deal to keep him at Blackpool until the Summer of 2004. He'd already been at the seaside for a short spell under Nigel Worthington, but the two clubs couldn't agree a fee. Having struggled to get in the first team at Bolton, Taylor eventually ended up at Tranmere where he was a crowd favourite and Rovers joint-second top scorer for the season. When Tranmere were relegated he was snapped up by Andy Kilner at Stockport but things went sour on Carlton Palmer's arrival - despite this when he left County he was their top scorer.

Taylor is a committed player who's pace should ensure that he makes life difficult for opposition defenders.





Blackpool Top Trumps



LEE JONES

Recently recruited from Stockport County, the ex-Bristol Rovers keeper Lee Jones has effectively replaced Phil Barnes who played in all but two League matches last season and who can currently be found on the bench. Initially on loan at Bloomfield Road. Jones has shown some impressive form in the early stages of the season.



SCOTT TAYLOR

With three League goals so far this season and two more against Barnsley in the Carling Cup, striker Taylor has hit a rich early vein of form in front of goal. Second top scorer on 13 goals last year behind currently injured John Murphy, he has been paired up front the season with Sheron.



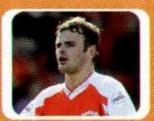
LEAST RICHARDSON

At 5ft 8in, this defender made a summer permanent switch to Blackpool from Bolton where he had failed to held down a regular place. He made 20 League appearances for Blackpool on loan last season and he has also spent time on loan at Notts County.



MIKE FLYNIN

The ex-Stockport County captain joined Blackpool from Barnsley. His career has been a northern tour of duty, also spending time at Oldham and Preston, as well as his ten-year stint at Stockport. At 6ft lin, he appeared in 21 League games in the heart of Blackpool's defence last term.



MARTIN BULLOCK

MARTIN BULLOCK (28) from Derby, is a direct, forceful winger who started his League career with Barnsley a decade ago.



CHOIS CLASKS

6ft 3in defender Clarke began as a trainee at Wolverhampton Wanderers but moved on to Halifax to make his first appearance. Has now played around 30 times since making the move to Lancashire during 2001/02



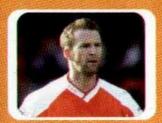
DANNY COID

A Liverpool born midfielder. Cold has been with Blackpool his entire career to date where he has now played in excess of 130 games and has contributed six goals.



PHIL PARNES

kept goal for the Seasiders in their opening game of the season at QPR but was then replaced by Jones. The 24 year-old Yorkshireman from Sheffield, was previously with Rotherham United



SIMON GRAYSON

SIMON GRAYSON, aged 33 from Ripon, played his first League game as a defender for Leeds United 15 years ago. He has now served with nine different clubs including Aston Villa, Leicester City and Blackburn Rovers, and joined Blackbool in August 2002. A League Cup winner in 1997, he has now amassed in excess of 420



RICHE WELLENS

RICHIE WELLENS - sent of on the opening day defeat at OPR - could well be missing from this afternoon's action through suspension. The former Manchester United trainee, who had one first team outing during his brief spell at Old Trafford has been with Blackpool for three-and-a-half years and has made over 150 appearances.



JOHN MURPHN

Striker JOHN MURPHY, Blackpool's top marksman last season, was born in Whiston in 1978 and started his career with Chester City, moving to Bloomfield Road in August 1999 after scoring 21 goals in 120 games during his time at the Deva Stadium. He has now netted 73 goals for the Seasiders.



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Currently on loan from Blackburn Rovers, the 20 year-old midfielder scored a speciacular goal against Oldham lest weekend. Manager McMahon is known to be interested in securing Danns' signature on a permanent basis.

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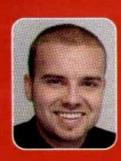


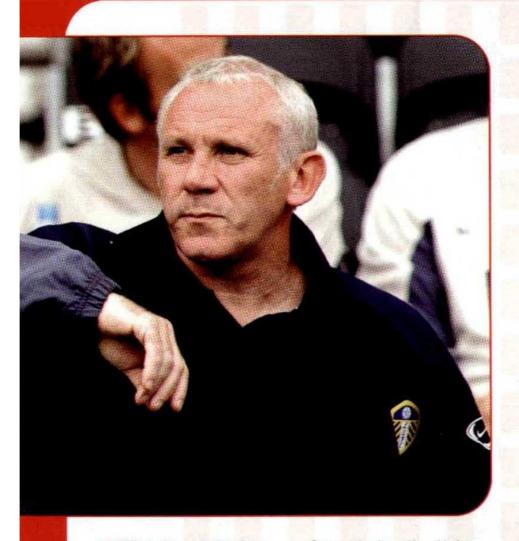




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JON RITSON





A MATE of mine made the trip to Bournemouth on Bank Holiday Monday - his first away trip for a season or so - and phoned me at half time to say 'the Barmy Army is back'. By that he was talking about the tremendous atmosphere and belief flowing through the visiting fans at Dean Court/Fitness First Stadium. Sitting on the opposite side of the ground, it looked to be a brilliant atmosphere and the noise level was tremendous. There's nothing better than hearing 'You're

Supposed to be at Home' being roared at the home fans. It is too early to start getting carried away but there's definitely something in the air. An old cliche it may be but I strongly believe that a noisy support can be the 12th man on the pitch. Footballers are often accused of not treating their supporters with respect or appreciating the time, effort and expense involved in supporting them. I get the feeling that Mr King's troops do value the support

certainly Tommy Mooney does. Is it to be Moooooney or Moonaldo? I suppose it's like anything in life, it's nice to know your efforts are appreciated. It's just fantastic to be talking about football again rather than contract wrangles with injured highly-paid players or the 'Sword of Damocles' Debenture.

We have got off to a decent start in the league - the new players look good - and there are smiles rather than frowns at the County Ground. Let's hope that remains the case at full time today. Steve McMahon's tenure here was before my time in Wiltshire but how can I put this diplomatically, there are still a lot of fans with 'strong views' about Macca. Games against Blackpool have been tight affairs over the last couple of seasons but let's hope we can sink the Seasiders in comprehensive style today.

League points are obviously the priority but there's no doubt the Carling Cup tie with Leeds United is one to look forward to. It means a trip back home for me (get the kettle on mum) and pits Andy King against Peter Reid. Even Oxford managed to win a cup tie at Elland Road a few years ago so we must have a decent chance of pulling off an upset. Fair play to both clubs for coming up with sensible ticket prices as well. Enjoy the game today and we'll meet up again in a fortnight's time for the visit of Wrexham.



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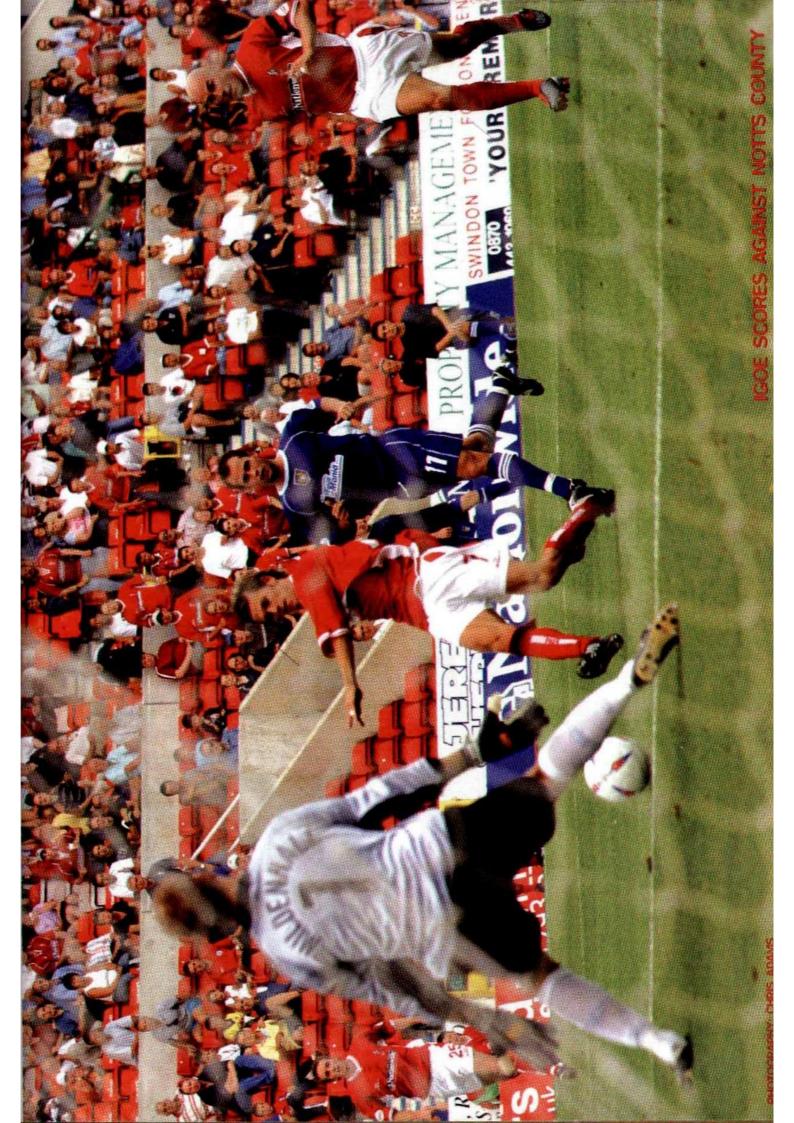
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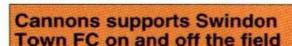






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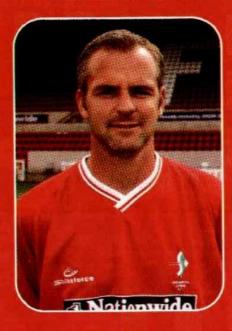


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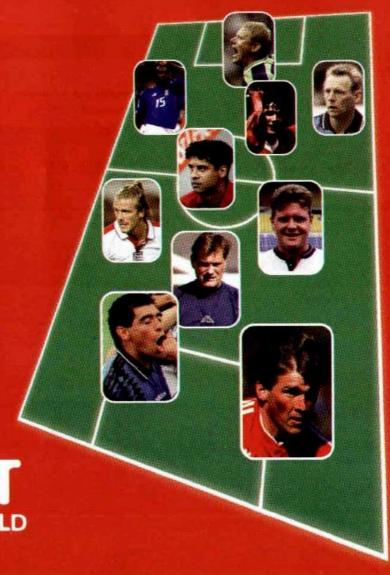
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where he read the game so well and passed brilliantly.

MORELD David Beckham

I was fortunate to play against him for Walsall in an FA Cup tie at Old Trafford, when we scored in a 5-1 defeat and all pretended to faint as he clapped, which I thought was a different class. David is a top quality England captain.

MOFELD: Paul Gascoigne

Paul was one of the greatest players ever produced by England. Phenomenal ability & dribbling skills, in his prime the best midfielder in the world.

MORELD: Glenn Hoddle

I was lucky enough to have played in the same team as this true legend a few times. The best player I have ever played with or against, and he was 33 then – he must have been frightening at 24, sheer class!!

MIDRED: Ryan Giggs

A great sight when running at defenders when the ball was at his feet. He looks effortless and has great balance and pace. Giggs is a world class performer.

ATTACK Maradona

A massively controversial person and the biggest cheat in football over the infamous 'hand ball' incident against England, but one of the greatest footballers ever. His second goal in that game is as good as I've ever seen.

ATTACK Kenny Dalglish

A great player and a wonderful example that the more you work and practice, the better you can become. I'm told I have a similar sense of humour as well!!!



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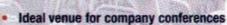




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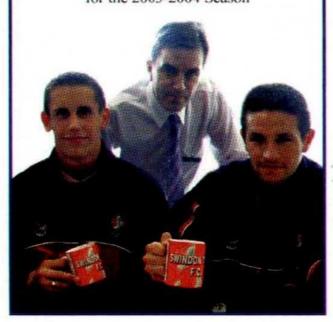
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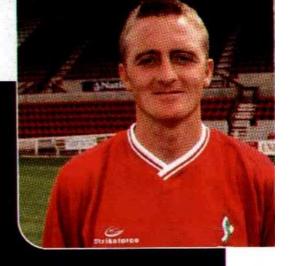
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REEVESY'S RESERVES



SWINDON TOWN PLAYED OUT THEIR SECOND RESERVE GAME OF THE NEW 2003-2004 SEASON ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AS THEY ENTERTAINED YEOVIL TOWN AT THE COUNTY GROUND.

Manager Alan Reeves included five of Andy King's summer signings in his line-up with Grant Smith captaining a side also including Jon Stevenson, Bryan Howard, Andy Nicholas and Ben Martin.

Town started the game brightly and went ahead after Jon Stevenson was hauled down inside the area. Keith O'Halloran's first attempt from the spot was saved to his left by Yeovil keeper Steve Collis. However, the referee ordered the penalty to be re-taken, judging that Collis has advanced off his line before the ball was struck. O'Halloran gave Town the lead as he thundered his second effort past Collis.

Yeovil came back into the game well and equalized just minutes later when Paul Terry, brother of Chelsea and England defender John, bundled the ball into the net past home keeper Steve Smith.

On 16 minutes a free-kick from the right from Herring was headed back across goal by Nicholas. Jon Stevenson then headed the ball powerfully into the corner of the net to give Town the lead.

Town had the majority of the possession during the remainder of the half with Jon Stevenson looking lively. Andrew Nicholas enjoyed a solid half at the back whilst Hugo Rodrigues, reportedly the world's tallest registered professional footballer at 6'8, was on hand to repeatedly thwart Town in the air.

After the break the game opened up with visitors Yeovil showing ambition going forward. However, it was Swindon who created the better chances. Jon Stevenson shot wide on 55 minutes before substitute Draycott was denied by Collis just past the hour.

Mark Draycott wrapped up the points on 85 minutes when he ran into the box and stroked the ball home under advancing keeper Collis.

Swindon Town: Steve Smith, Ian Herring, Andy Nicholas, Dave Bampton, Alan Reeves, Ben Martin, Brian Howard, Keith O'Halloran (Draycott 65), Grant Smith (Capt), Jon Stevenson, Jamie Cheeseman (Pook 60)

Yeovil: Steve Collis, Ian Patchett, Hugo Rodrigues, Sam Croft, Andy Lindegaard, Steven Reed, Steve Thompson, Paul Terry, Jamie Gosling, Jake Edwards, Adam Stansfield

MIG LOOKING TO MAKE THE STEF UP

SWINDON TOWN HAVE BEEN GRACED WITH MANY A GIFTED MIDFIELDER OVER THE YEARS IN ERNIE HUNT, JOHN SMITH, OSSIE ARDILES AND GLENN HODDLE. THE LATTER WAS THE INSPIRATION BEHIND TOWN'S PROMOTION IN THE 92/93 SEASON AS HE ENTERTAINED THE COUNTY GROUND FAITHFUL.

Now into the new millennium, football has changed dramatically, requiring a new breed of faster, fitter and more techniqually skilled players. Swindon Town have one such player who strives to exceed everyone of those requirements. Step forward Stefani Miglioranzi.

The Brazilian born New Yorker arrived in Wiltshire from Portsmouth (via Everton) in the summer of 2002 and enjoyed a successful first season, a regular fixture in Town's midfield.

"I think we finished well last term and that has given us an indication of where we can look to aim for this season. The Manager has signed some very good players over the summer, most notably in the front line. Tommy has been superb for us so far because any ball that is played up to him he just takes control of and that gives the side more time."

The season began with a 3-2 defeat at the hands of Division new-boys Sheffield Wednesday, a game that Miglioranzi looks back on with both disappointment and encouragement.

"The first game of the season was unbelievable. To go three goals down so early was disappointing. I thought we showed great character all the way through the game. We had our chances and nearly took something out of the game.

"It was nice to open my account on the first day of the season. My Dad says I have a habit of doing that because I scored on the opening day for Portsmouth in each of the two years I was there."

It is not just inside the box that the Pacos de Caldas born midfielder comes to life. Miglioranzi possesses a natural gift for the game. His ability to open up a game with the outside of his boot is fast becoming a formality. Remember the flick against Notts County last Saturday? Despite man of the match displays already this season, Miglioranzi seems to be about as far from arrogant as the new Chelsea owner is to destitution! When asked of his own ability, 'Stef' simply acknowledges the talents of his teamates.

"Perhaps the greatest change to the side is that we now have someone who will eliminate defenders. Sammy Igoe creates a lot of space on the pitch with his runs, he takes players out of the game by committing them and Bryan Howard has shown similar ability when he has been involved."

Whilst many professional footballers fled to foreign shores over the summer, Miglioranzi, who started 47 games for Town last term, remained in London where he worked tirelessly on his fitness ahead of the new 2003-2004 season.

"I feel a lot fitter this season than last. I didn't feel I was truly match fit last season so I worked very hard on my fitness during the summer months. I was running through the streets and in the parks of London with

my shirt off. It was tough but I knew it had to be done. I wasn't prepared to do nothing and let this season pass me by. I feel a lot sharper than last year and came back for pre-season in good condition and I am sure the lads will youch for that."

Having played in both games against Blackpool last season (and scoring in the home fixture), Miglioranzi is well qualified to pass comment on today's visitors.

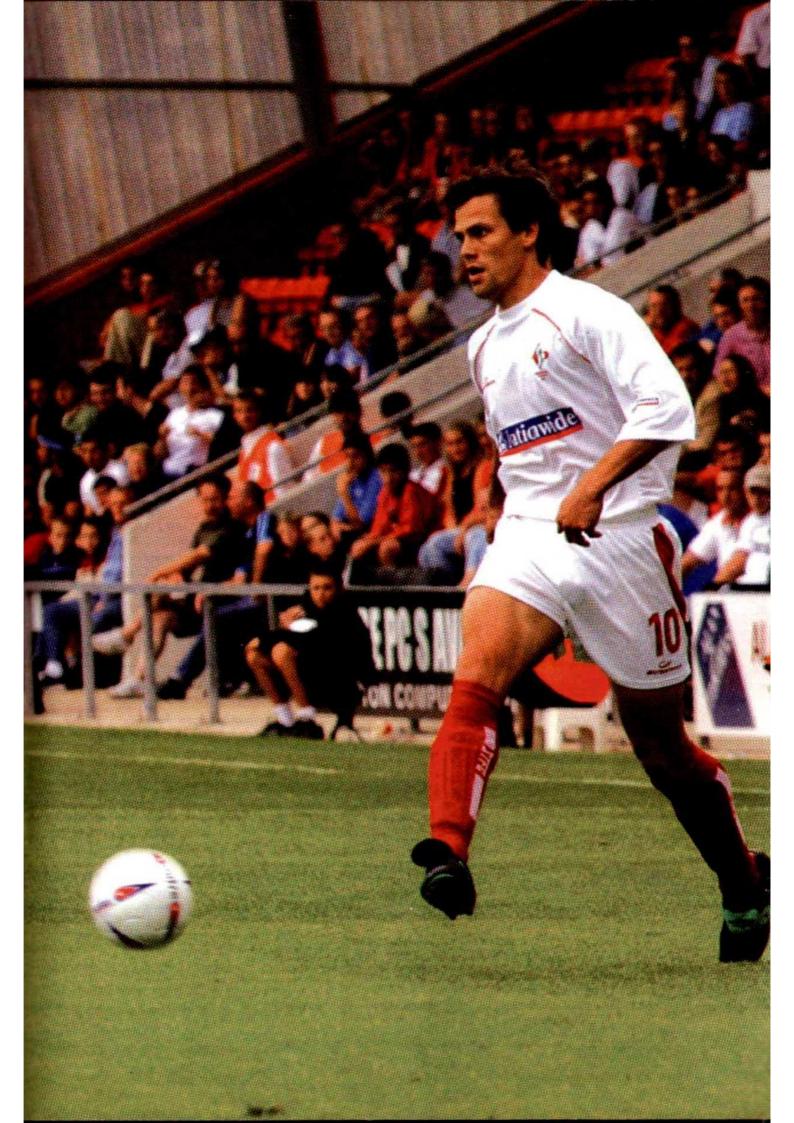
"I expect Blackpool to be as good if not better than last year. The two games we had against them last season were hard fought. They are a battling side, but if we start well and perform to the high levels we have set ourselves, hopefully we can take all three points."

Looking beyond today's game with Blackpool, Miglioranzi is hopeful of a fruitful campaign. With many fans already mentioning the words 'play' and 'off' in the same sentence, Miglioranzi is aware of the task ahead.

"There is a big difference between saying how far you can go and actually doing it. We have to build-up consistency and if we can do that I think we are capable of a top six finish. If we play to our best we could be a hard team to stop this season."

So as we look for another three points today against Blackpool, take a closer look at Town's midfielder and you could find yourself watching a star in the making.

Chris Tanner





Viv Busby reports a more positive performance from the young guns.

YOUNG GUNS

After last weeks disappointing performance against Bournemouth and picking up the importance of being consistent both in training and in games, the lads seem to have grasped the information and turned in a very good performance against Cardiff away. From the start we controlled the game, worked very hard, passed the ball well and there was an air of confidence about the team. As I've said before it's not all about winning but producing players for the manager. But if they can grasp the need to think about their game, to think about the way they live their lives and dedicate themselves to football, then there may be a chance for them to be professionals.

The first goal was a free kick from 25 yards scored by Michael Pook. In this situation we have a particular free kick, which we use, and it was an opportunity to do so. And I could see that Michael and Chris Taylor who were on the ball were aware of the situation. Michael chose instead to try a shot at this particular time, I wasn't very happy! But it struck the back of the net, what a strike. I don't mind if he has the confidence to try it and scores.

We scored the second goal from some sharp play from Chris Taylor and Ashan Holgate. We were awarded a free kick 40 yards out after Chris Taylor picked the ball up quickly, put his hand on it to make it a dead ball and Ashan Holgate made a run through the middle catching the defenders asleep, the keeper came out and he scored with a great finish. We conceded a goal from a free kick, which was disappointing, but over all a pleasing team performance, we hope to continue in the same vain this weekend at Torquay.



FIXTURES 2003/04

UNDER 17'S

Sat 16th Aug	Exeter City	Away	5-1
Sat 23th Aug	Torquay United	Home	1-0
Sat 6th Sep	Cardiff City	Away	
Sat 13th Sep	Cheltenham Town	Home	
Sat 20th Sep	Plymouth Argyle	Away	
Wed 27th Sep	Bristol Rovers	Home	
Sat 18th Oct	Cirencester	Home	
Sat 25th Oct	Swansea City	Away	
Sat 1st Nov	Yeovil Town	Home	
Sat 8th Nov	AFC B'mouth	Away	
Sat 15th Nov	Cardiff City	Home	
Sat 22rd Nov	Cheltenham T	Away	
Sat 6th Dec	Exeter City	Home	
Sat 13th Dec	Torquay United	Away	
Sat 10th Jan	Plymouth Argyle	Home	
Sat 17th Jan	Bristol Rovers	Away	
Sat 7th Feb	Cirencester	Away	
Sat 14th Feb	Swansea City	Home	Sat
21st Apr	Yeovil Town	Away	Sat
28th Feb	AFC B'mouth	Home	

UNDER 19'S

Sat 16th Aug	AFC B'mouth	Home	2-2
Sat 23th Aug	Cardiff City	Away	2-1
Sat 6th Sep	Torquay United	Away	
Sat 13th Sep	Exeter City	Home	
Sat 20th Sep	Plymouth Argyle	Home	
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So what is this Red Army Fund?

The Red Army Fund is a fund set up by TrustSTFC, in co-operation with the Supporters' Club and the Club, to help pay for new players for Swindon Town. It is a supporters initiative to enable fans to make a direct contribution to improving the quality of the team we all watch on the pitch, by donating regular, affordable amounts to a fund to be used at the manager's discretion to strengthen the squad.

Your chance to make a real difference!

Whether it be by funding a loan player's wages or paying the transfer fee for a new signing, the Red Army Fund gives you the chance to directly affect the quality of the team you see on the pitch. Think about it - we all know how two or three key players can turn round a team's season and you could have a direct impact on Swindon's push for promotion this season. Just think of the impact we could have - a better squad means better performances and better results, which brings in bigger crowds and so improves the club's revenue. If we all pull together to support this fund, we could not only turn round the performances on the pitch, but also help give the club a more stable financial footing to secure the future. Not a bad return for a few pounds a month!

Will it work? It did for Wresham!

Can this fund make a difference? Just ask Wrexham fans — celebrating their recent promotion from the Third Division. The Wrexham Independent Supporters (WINS) Group set up a similar scheme in 2002 and in the first 18 months helped the club to sign four new players. The WINS chairman told us, "So far, we have funded the signings or wages of four players, who have made very significant contributions towards our push for promotion. Average attendances are currently up by more than 10% on last season, and the gate at our most recent game was double that of earlier games in the season. This has produced four times as much cash for the club as we have donated!"

How can I find out more?

For futher information, please check the Red Army Fund website at: http://www.truststfc.co.uk/redarmy/. Alternatively, if you run a business and would be interested in sponsorship opportunities, call our sales team on (01793) 875760.

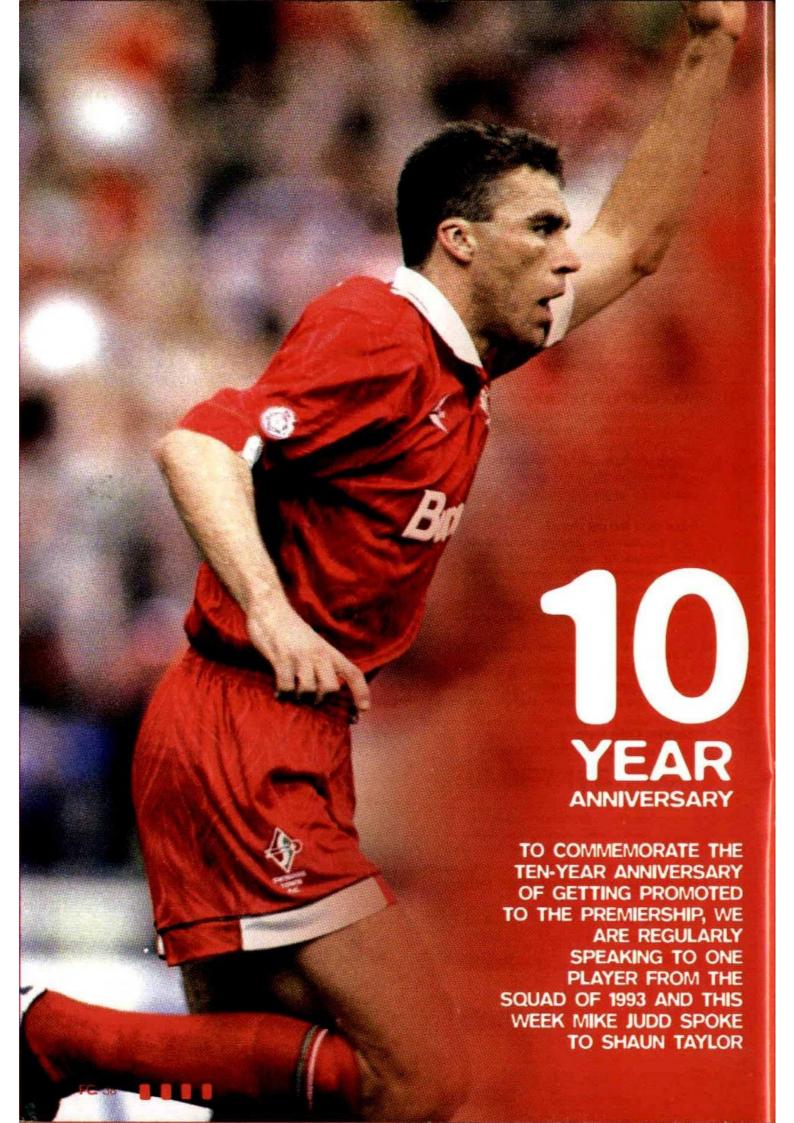
Please complete the form below (including contact details) and return to Red Army Fund c/o TrustSTFC, PO Box 2582, Swindon SN25 4SQ.

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Recently referred to as 'The Rock' by Paul Bodin, it was a great pleasure to talk to the man who did so much for Swindon Town between 1991-96. Remembered as the man with no fear, he would put his head into a crowd of players at either end and was a great 'stopper'. Powerful in the air and great at corners - a real warrior.

"Our 1992/3 campaign started against Sunderland- (the club beaten in the 1990 Wembley play-off) with a 1-0 win, with a great strike from Glenn Hoddle.

I remember so much of our cup run, especially the semi-final against Tranmere. In the first leg at home we were 3-0 up at half time when the visitors pulled one back to give us a two-goal advantage to take to the second leg. The tense game up there ended with Tranmere winning 3-2 on the night, but losing on aggregate, to get us to the final against Leicester.

The Town side who ran out onto the famous turf was: Digby, Summerbee, Bodin, Hoddle, Calderwood, Taylor, Moncur, MacLaren, Ling, Maskell (sub White) and Mitchell. We knew that a win would take us into the top flight, and as a lad it was a dream to play at Wembley and to score a goal. On TV the arena looks massive and the pitch huge. In fact I thought the pitch was no bigger than the County Ground. Coming out of the tunnel was just a sea of red and blue. There is a lot of time hanging around to get out there and to get started. Most people say the day is a blur but I remember everything so well and thought it was a good and exciting final.

The boss scored a great goal and we were 1-0 up at half

time. Craig Maskell then danced around the corner flag after netting and the dream became reality when I scored. I thought we'd already won it. Then three goals in 11 minutes they were level. But they had put so much into the game – they were knackered! We did manage to clear one shot off the line, but the last 15 minutes was just waiting for us to score. Steve White came on and was soon fouled by the Leicester goalkeeper. Chalky was notorious for getting us penalties and I know many fans couldn't watch when Paul Bodin stepped up to take the spot kick. 3-3 at Wembley, minutes to go, what pressure, but Paul tucked it away to get us into the top flight of English football. The last 5 minutes seemed long. They were on their knees and we were elated.

Playing alongside Glenn Hoddle was of course great, we were not in awe of him but we all relied on each other. There was a great team spirit on and off the field.

Although its 10 years my wife and I remember it as only a couple of years ago. The memories are so vivid. I've been coaching at Bristol City for a couple of years and last week at Chesterfield some fan shouted about the final. It's great that so many still remember. Although we were 6th in the table, by winning in a play-off must be the best way. I've been at Bristol since season 2000/1 and must say coaching is the next best thing to playing. I help out with the first team as well as my responsibility for the reserves.

Despite our short, one season, in the top flight, I enjoyed every minute of playing that season but was disappointed for the fans."

03/04 stats

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Blackpool	1	1
Port Vale	0	2
Hartlepool	1	0
Brentford	0	1
Brighton	0	1
Luton	0	1
Wrexham	0	1

Fouls conceded/game

Tranmere	16.50	Brighton 12.75
Grimsby	15.25	Rushden 12.75
Colchester	15.00	Wrexham 12.75
QPR	15.00	Oldham 12.50
Wycombe	15.00	Swindon 12.50
Chesterfield	14.75	Sheff Wed 12.25
Luton	14.50	Brentford 12.00
Bristol City	13.75	Peterborough 12.00
Notts County	13.75	Port Vale 11.75
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03/04 stats

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QPR	3.00	Peterborough	1	0
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Goals Per Game - The Division's Most Consistent Strikers

Brighton

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Grimsby

Bristol City

Hartlepool

Chesterfield Blackpool

Luton Rushden



Goals from Outside Area



Blake	Burnley	2
Hughes	West Brom	2
Anderson	Grimsby	2
Ainsworth	QPR	2
Currie	Wycombe	2
Stead	Huddersfield	2
Williams	Kidderminster	2
Arteta	Rangers	2

Headed Goals



Knight	Brighton	3
Amoruso	Blockburn	2
Peacock	Bristol City	2
Boulding	Grimsby	2
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Jones	Tranmere	2
Lawrence	Wrexham	2
Patterson	Wycombe	2
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Goals in last 10 mins



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Sheff Wed	21	8	2.63	Swindon
Oldham	16	6	2.67	Bournemo
Hartlepool	20	7	2.86	Barnsley
Wycombe	20	7	2.86	Peterboro
Grimsby	23	8	2.88	Bristol City
Blackpool	18	6	3.00	Tranmere
Rushden	24	8	3.00	Chesterfie
Luton	19	6	3.17	Wrexham
Port Vale	27	8	3.38	Plymouth
Colchester	17	5	3.40	Stockport
QPR	35	10	3.50	Brentford
Brighton	26	7	3.71	Notts Cou

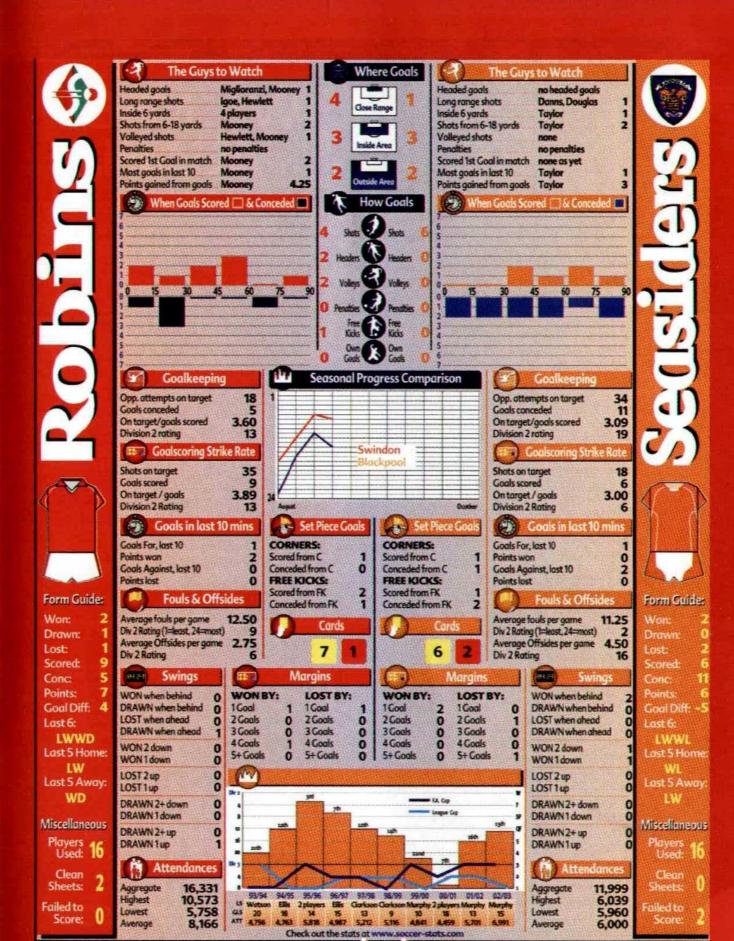
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Swindon	35	9	3.89
Bournemouth	21	5	4.20
Barnsley	26	6	4.33
Peterborough	31	7	4.43
Bristol City	38	8	4.75
Tranmere	31	6	5.17
Chesterfield	26	5	5.20
Wrexham	28	5	5.60
Plymouth	42	7	6.00
Stockport	19	3	6.33
Brentford	22	3	7.33
Notts County	26	0	

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Barnsley	26	2	13.00	Stockport	25	7	3.57
Hartlepool	28	4	7.00	QPR	17	5	3.40
Grimsby	38	6	6.33	Luton	20	6	3.33
Bristol City	22	4	5.50	Notts County	36	11	3.27
Chesterfield	26	5	5.20	Tranmere	13	4	3.25
Colchester	36	7	5.14	Blackpool	34	11	3.09
Rushden	41	8	5.13	Brentford	24	9	2.67
Brighton	15	3	5.00	Wycombe	24	9	2.67
Plymouth	29	6	4.83	Oldham	26	10	2.60
Peterborough	22	5	4.40	Bournemouth	17	7	2.43
Sheff Wed	28	7	4.00	Port Vale	17	7	2.43

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WE MEET AGAIN...

DAVE WALLIS DELVES INTO HIS ARCHIVES TO PROVIDE US WITH TWO PLAYERS, ONE FAMILIAR AND ANOTHER NOT SO FAMILIAR, THAT HAVE PLAYED FOR BOTH CLUBS.

Kevin Moore

Born in Blackpool on 30th January 1956, 5ft 9in winger Kevin Moore served an apprenticeship at Bloomfield Road for today's visitors, signing as a professional in October 1973.

Kevin made his debut in Division Two as a substitute in a 2-0 defeat at Sunderland on 30th August 1975 scoring his first goal three League games later in a 4-3 win at home to Southampton. Future Town assistant manager Mickey Walsh finished top scorer that season for Blackpool, although it may have been a concern that Kevin finished joint third top goal scorer on just three.

Blackpool finished 10th that year, missed promotion to the top flight by just one point the following season, but in July 1977 after 33 League games for Blackpool, Kevin uprooted to Wales where he joined Swansea in Division Four. One of Kevin's first games at The Vetch was in a 3-1 defeat by Swindon in the League Cup, but by the end of 1977/78 as Blackpool dropped into Division Three Swansea grabbed third place and promotion to the same level.

By the time Swansea played Swindon on Boxing Day 1978, Kevin had already played his last game for the John Toshack led Swans and in February 1979, he made the short journey to Newport County. Moore played 41 League games the following season as County took third place and promotion to the third, scoring five goals.

So... Kevin's connection with Swindon Town. Kevin appeared for Swindon on 19th March 1983, when under John Trollope, Kevin played one game on loan at the County Ground against Darlington. The 2-1 defeat didn't epitomise Town's greatest heights and Kevin returned to Somerton Park, Newport, while Trollope was relieved of his duties to be replaced by Ken Beamish

After 148 League games for Newport County, Kevin had already played his final Football League game, the only one in which he turned out wearing a Swindon Town shirt.

Peter Noble

If as an inside forward you've scored a goal every other game in the top flight, you might be disappointed to find yourself having to drop down two divisions and leave your city of birth to get a regular game. That was what Peter Noble faced after registering seven First Division goals in 15 League appearances for Newcastle in 1966/67.

Born in Newcastle in August 1944, Noble had been spotted playing for Consett and joined Newcastle United, then managed by Joe Harvey in November 1964. Limited to just one more outing in 1967/68, Noble joined a Danny Williams led Swindon in Division Three in January 1968 for £8,000 to support the forward play of Pat Terry and Don Rogers.

For a man who was only 5ft 9in, Peter's aerial ability was considerably better than it had a right to be. Sporting what might be described as a Bobby Charlton hairstyle, Noble had an uncanny knack of out jumping taller defenders to score important goals.

A couple of goals in his first 14 outings didn't trouble Rogers or Terry at the top of the goal scoring chart, but with Terry's departure to Brentford in June 1968 and the switch of Roger Smart to the right hand side of midfield, Noble claimed the regular number 10 shirt and record 16 League goals in 1968/69.

It will not need me to remind Town supporters that these goals helped take Town into Division Two at the end of the season, and everyone will be equally familiar with events in the

League Cup that year. With four goals in the run that took Town to Wembley, Noble scored crucial strikes against Torquay, Bradford and Burnley and most importantly the winning goal in the replayed semi-final against Burnley at the Hawthorns.

New Town player/manager Dave Mackay did himself no favours in the eyes of the crowd by starting to split the team up, one wonders whether through jealousy of their popularity. Using techniques that would be replicated by a future manager, Rod Thomas, Stan Harland and Don Rogers all left the club, but by June 1973, Les Allen was the Town manager who oversaw Peter's transferr for £40,000 to previous cup victims Burnley. A run of 62 League goals in 216 Swindon Town appearances was brought to an end.



Leeds fans at Elland road await the Red Army

DUKEY'S COLUMN

THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF TALK IN THE CAMP THIS WEEK ABOUT THE CUP DRAW WITH LEEDS UNITED.

We have been assured that Leeds have reduced ticket prices for the game, which bodes well for the attendance on the night. At first I think we would have been lucky to see anything over 15,000. I am sure there will be an army of Town fans travelling up and both players and supporters cannot wait for it. Now, do we have a chance? Yes! That is the nature of Cup football. However, we cannot be naïve as they are still a Premiership side who have a lot of quality players in their squad. They may be having a tough time of it at present, but I am sure they will turn things around at some point. We must make sure that we are not the subject of their backlash, which would be most depressing! What about us? We will definitely approach the game in confidence with the thought that we can get a result. Although the circumstances during pre-season are a little fake, we can't forget how we caused quite a stir against Wolves

and Portsmouth. We actually played pretty well and matched them in many areas. Our tactics and the manner of our play will undoubtedly be different from our usual Division Two games. The big question I guess is whether it is good enough. Here's hoping!

Bad news for the ladies this week. 'Super' Sammy Parkin the Casanova is off the market. That's right girls, he is definitely out of reach. Sam has found the girl of his dreams and is 100% smitten. I didn't believe it at first when he first broke the news, but honest, he is hopelessly under her spell. All is not lost girls Stefani is on the hunt, although a certain member of the office staff is believed to have shown more than a passing interest! The keys to the bachelor pad, steady girls, are not ready for a few weeks yet! Good luck Stef, you'll need it!

Young Alan Young has been venturing into other business this week.
Obviously the Club isn't paying him enough because he has been wheeling and dealing
Arthur Daley style! He has been

driving everybody crazy. 'Anybody want these?' 'Can I get you this?' 'Who needs some of these?' He has had his hands on all of Bart's golf clubs, bag, monkey outfits, quasimodo outfits, watches....you name it he has had it. He must have a workshop in his back garden because all of it is absolute rubbish! 'Youngy' just give up, get a bar job or something!

Finally, 'Turbo' has asked me to find him a 'Café Latte' partner for him during the afternoons. His favourite past time at present is to enjoy a Latte in an up market Bristol café where he can read the paper and watch the world (ladies) go by. However, I did detect a tear in his eye this week when he was talking me through his day. It was obvious to me that he is in need of a female companion to share this fantastic experience with each afternoon. He assured me that he couldn't afford to be fussy, so any one will do. There are no height, weight or age restrictions implanted so apply at will but be quick there are only so many books and papers a man can pretend to read!

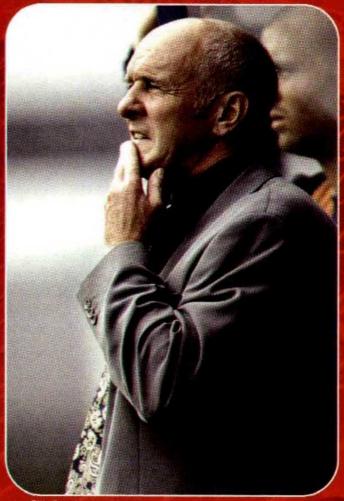
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Words by Tony Matthews

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Iain Dowie



Billy Dearden



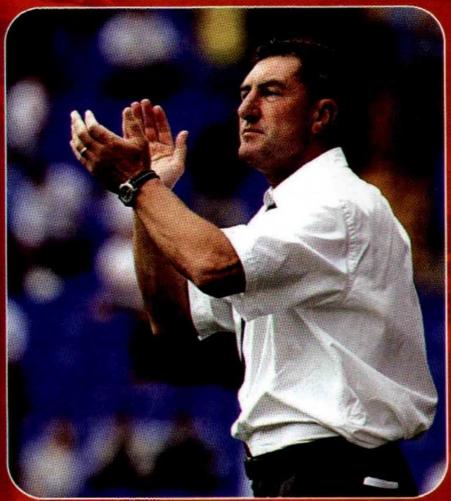
- LUTON TOWN manager Mike Newell was sent-off on Monday for tackling the Brighton & Hove Albion player Nathan Jones during the League game at the Withdean Stadium. With the Hatters' trailing, he jumped out of his dug-out seat in an attempt to get the ball to one of his players thinking it was running over the touchline. It remained in play but his momentum saw him 'tackle' Jones and referee had no option but to show the former Everton, Blackburn Rovers, Birmingham City, Luton and West Ham striker off.
- OLDHAM ATHLETIC may be seeking a new manager as you read these notes...if lain Dowie has moved from the hot-seat at Boundary Park to take charge of West

Ham United, the team he played for as a striker.

- OESIBBEED have drawn their first four League games of the season - and having finished all square with Blackpool on the last day of the 2002-03 campaign, they have now equalled a club record of five successive stalemates which was set in 1990.
- GRAVSEY TOWN midfielder Iain Anderson was sent-off against Port Vale last weekend for using an elbow on defender Michael Walsh. He was dismissed by referee Phil Prosser, the only serviceman currently registered on the League List (he's in the RAF).
- WREX-WM recorded their first win at Notts County for 39 years recently and

then, last Monday afternoon, Denis Smith's high-fliers defeated Sheffield Wednesday at Hillsborough to record their first victory on Owls' soil since 1981. Star of the show, in both games (at Meadow Lane and Hillsborough), was veteran goalkeeper Andy Dibble.

• NOTTS COUNTY manager Billy Dearden is refusing to panic despite seeing his charges drop to the bottom of the Second Division table, having failed to score a single goal or register a point from their opening four League games. Said Dearden: "In every game we've played, we have created chances and that means we have the ability to open up defences. All we need is someone to find the net!"



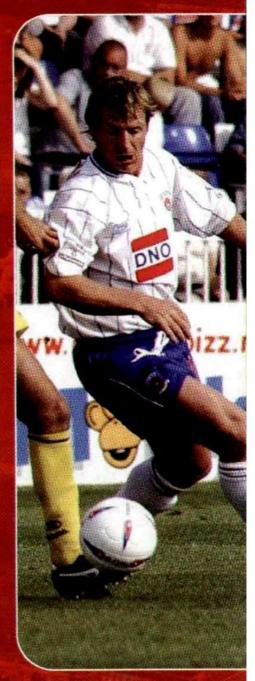
Brian Talbet

• STOCHORT COUNTY boss Carlton Palmer is facing an FA rap after his angry outburst at a recent home game with Luton Town. The former England international midfielder, who had a variety of clubs including West Brom, Leeds, Sheffield Wednesday and Coventry City, ranted and raved after seeing Steve Howard hit the back of the net when seemingly two other players were yards offside.

 Another ex-West Brom player who could be in trouble is Brian Talbot, boss of RUSHOEN & DWYONDS. He faces a touchline ban after being ordered from the dug-out during his sides' pre-Bank Holiday home win over Plymouth Argyle. Referee Barry Knight banished Talbot to the stand.

 HARTLEPOOL UNTED'S Marco Gabbiadini, one of the oldest strikers in the Second Division at the age of 35, is close to a personal milestone - that of 800 competitive appearances (and he's already scored more than 260 goals). Gabbiadini, who made his Football League debut for York City eighteen seasons ago, has also played for Sunderland, Crystal Palace, Derby County, Panionios (Greece), Birmingham City, Oxford United, Stoke City, York City, Darlington and Northampton Town. He entered the record books last season when he became the oldest Northampton player ever to score a hattrick. He could well be facing the Robins in November.

 Well over 100 YELLOW CARES and more than a dozen red ones have already been shown to Second Division players (and managers) so far this season.



Marco Gabbiadini



A WARM WELCOME TO TODAY'S MATCH SPONSORS,GREENHAM AND MRJEREMY SHERWIN

COMMERCIALVIEW

WITH MIKE SULLIVAN

Once again we are delighted to have with us as sponsors, our friends from GREENHAM, GEORGE WIMPEY HOMES, MR JEREMY SHERWIN, THE EVENING ADVERTISER & 'MR ROTAVATOR'.

Match Sponsors GREENHAM have been excellent in showing their support of the Club this season, and have already pledged their support by sponsoring the forthcoming Sporting Luncheon with Steve Coppell in early October. The GREENHAM party is led today by their Operations Director, Mr Mike King. Mike, who, for those who know him, is a model athlete. He is at the moment considering the possibility of entering the 2004 Flora London Marathon and has recently invested in a brand new van. As part of his build up, the new van will be used to take Mike up and down the country to all the Swindon Town home and away matches as well as any half marathons Mike may have entered in his marathon training build up. Mike is also looking into the idea of launching some specially designed slim fit 'On the road with Mike King 'tee shirts. Full details on how you can obtain one of these will be shown on his website in September.

Also joining us today as a match sponsor is MR.JEREMY SHERWIN. Since last November ,the County Ground has witnessed a huge increase in the number of new ground advertising boards. The main reason for this was due to the hard work of Jeremy who hit the streets with clip board in hand, wearing his Swindon Town t-shirt and calling on local businesses trying to drum up new support for the Club. Jeremy, who is a die hard 'tangerines' fan helped the Club

achieve some very lucrative advertising figures and is returning to the Swindon area to start all over again in early September. Based in Blackpool, his company produces ground advertising boards to Nationwide League clubs up and down the country. Wycombe Wanderers, Fulham, QPR and Brentford are just some of the clubs Jeremy is currently working with.

GEORGE WIMPEY HOMES who are also todays match sponsor, have been in the Swindon area since 1963 and are the country's largest house builder. They specialise in detached houses and are the market leader in this sector. Their party today is led by Director and General Manager, Mr. Philip Towl, and both he and the company have been much valued long-term sponsors of the club.

THE EVENING ADVERTISER is proud to be one of today's match ball sponsors. As the local newspaper for Swindon, we have an association with the club going back many years and will remain committed to supporting Swindon Town through thick and thin.

We are doing this through sponsorship of various kinds and our daily coverage in the Evening Advertiser, which keeps fans up to date with all the news and views from the club.

The Evening Advertiser provide unrivalled match reports and analysis of Town games every Monday in our Sporting Pink.

Here's to a great season for Andy King,

the players and officials of the club and, most importantly of all, the fans. We'll be with you all every step of the way.

Matchball Sponsor, Alan Cottrell has been a supporter through the good & bad times since his childhood in the 1950s when his grandad was a groundsman at the C.G. Mr Rotavator is one of Swindon's leading landscape garden companies covering all aspects of the trade but specialising in water features and fencing.

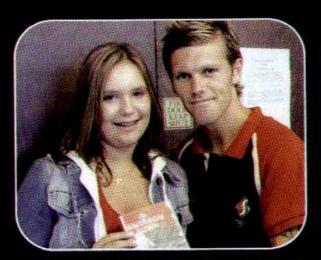
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COMPANY OPEN DAY

On Thursday 25TH SEPTEMBER we will be holding a Company Open Day here at the County Ground, between the hours of 2pm and 8pm. This will be a great opportunity for both local and national companies to come along and look behind the scenes and be given a tour of all the rooms we have available for hire on non match days. A top of the range service, in house catering and ample car parking space are just three of the main benefits that we can offer to companies who are interested in holding the sales meetings, exhibitions and staff training days here at the County Ground. If you would like to book your Company's place at the Open Day or would like to arrange a time to come and have a look at our facilities, then give our Conference and Banqueting Manager, Mr.Brian Wood a call on 01793 333716.



The teams and sponsors line up before the start of the game against Norts County last Saturday



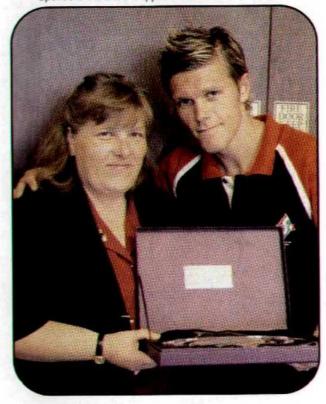
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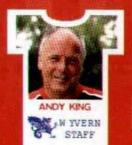


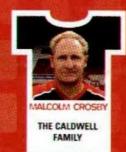
 Matchball Sponsors Greenham are presented with their Silver Salver by Sammy Igoe

MAN OF THE MATCH SAMMY IGOE

V NOTTS COUNTY 23.08.03 Sammy Igoe presents a silver salver to Match Sponsors the STFC Supporters Club

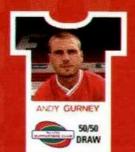


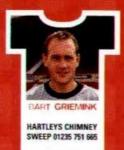




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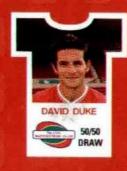


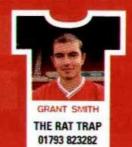


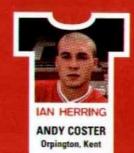




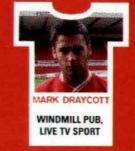


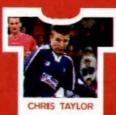




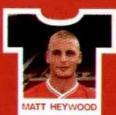




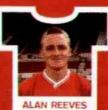




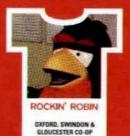




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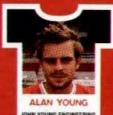
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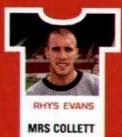
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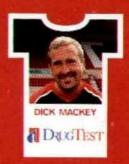


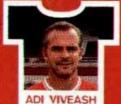
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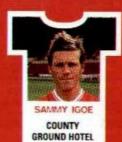
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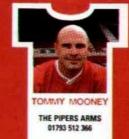


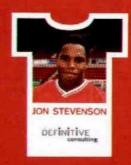


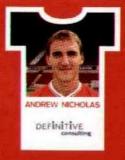


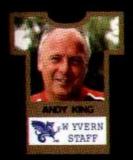
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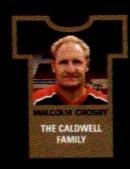


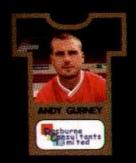


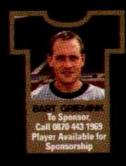


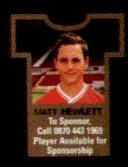


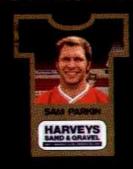




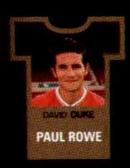


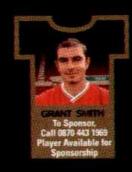


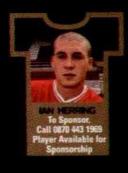






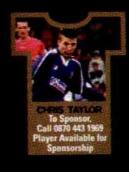


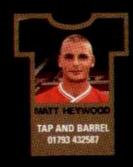


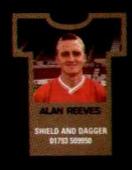


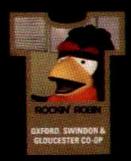




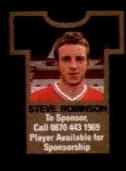


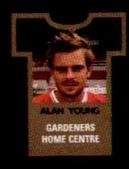




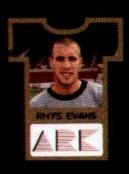




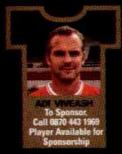


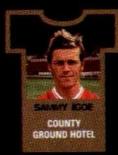


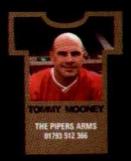


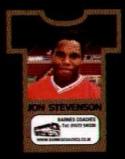


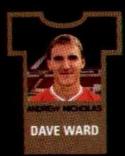






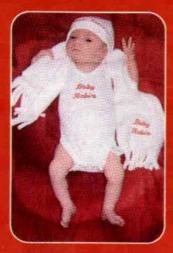






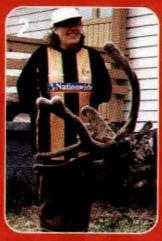
RED ARMY!

"AT THE HEART OF EVERY FOOTBALL CLUB ARE THE FANS. SEASON AFTER SEASON, RAIN OR SHINE THESE FAITHFUL FOLK MAKE THE PILGRIMAGE TO THE COUNTY GROUND IN THE QUEST FOR GLORY. STFC SPORTS REPORTER SIMON COY MEETS THE PEOPLE WITH TOWN IN THEIR BLOOD".



TOPPS FAVOURITE!

Sophie Walker, Grandaughter of Ron & Lyn Topp, Daughter of Cheryl and Alex. Sister to Victoria. Ron is Stadium Manager here at the County Ground.



VILI GOOD

Pictures here is Teresa Cawte at the Martinselkonen Wilderness Centre in Finland. Teresa is shown here with Vili the reindeer

QUIZTIME - 25 YEARS AGO

Test your knowledge against our resident 'Stato', Dave Wallis. Answers can be found at the bottom of the page.

- 1) On 25th August 1978, Derby turned down Everton's interest in their central defender who later briefly managed Swindon. Who was this?
- 2) Four days later in a League Cup tie, Everton inflict an 8-0 defeat on the League's newest team who today are trying to move the club to another area of the country. Who?
- 3) In the same round, a Fourth Division club switched their home tie to Old Trafford and led 2-1 with five minutes to go. Manchester United score twice before the end. The unlucky club are now managed by Carlton Palmer. Who are they?
- 4) On 21st August, Swindon claimed a point in a 1-1 draw at Tranmere. Town's Cornish scorer had joined the club from Hereford in April 1975 and later played 150 games for Exeter. Who?
- 5) On 26th August Swindon again drew, this time 0-0 at Shrewsbury. In goal for Swindon was the new £8,000 signing from Oldham. Who was this?

A4 Hoy Carter A5 Chris Ogden A1 Colin Todd A2 Wimbledon A3 Stockport County



SWINDON TOWN "FOCUS ON A FAN"

Name: Wendy Beaver Age: 35

Occupation Librarian

Lives: Swindon

When Did You First Come To See Swindon Town: 1998, Swindon

Best STFC Memory: Danny Invincibile's goal against the Posh. After facing down the barrel of 3rd Division football the relief was immeasurable.

Hopes For This Season: I have two hopes. Firstly to make the play offs. It's quite an open division this year and I think we have enough quality to make the top six. Secondly to have a season not marred by off the field distractions would be great. Your Long Term Hopes For The Cutz I would like us to be a good

First Division team and financially secure.

If Money Were No Object Who Would You Want To See Playing For Swindow I would sign Thierry Henry for his vision, pace and goal scoring ability. I would shore up the defence by signing Rio Ferdinand and I would also sign Joe Cole because he's a

Your Message To The Fans: Keep supporting the lads and as a 50/50 draw seller please buy a half-time draw ticket as the money does go to supporting the lads and the youth team. Your Message To The Players: I think you are playing really well. Please be consistent. If we can avoid the dips of last season

then we can make it up there. Come On You Reds!!



STFC'S OWN HOME STAR JAMES SPARKS REACHED THE RIPE OLD AGE OF 23 LAST WEDNESDAY. **CONGRATULATIONS FROM ALL AT THE CLUB**

"To whoever wants to read it" a

SWINDON POEM

Miss Carolyn O'Neill of Covingham kindly sent us this poem. hoping to raise a smile, thanks to input & enthusiasm from her fiance Mike:-

"Come on you Reds" Hear us all sing Swindon Town reigns Hail Andy King

Down with you Owls U's and the Blues Robins are the best That's the good news

Super Sam Parkin Scores lots of goals Mooney will get them And fill them with holes!

The Reds are the one's The Reds are real cool Supporting the Swindon You won't be a fool

THE DAYS!

FC: MAGAZINE INVITES SWINDON FANS YOUNG AND OLD TO REMEMBER THE GOOD OLD DAYS AND NAME THEIR FAVOURITE SWINDON XI.



NAME: Dave Wallis

QUALIFICATIONS: First watched the Town in 1969, but sadly not THAT match. Swindon bred, if not born, he moved to Swindon at the age of ten, three months after promotion to Division Two and was immediately caught up in the excitement that the whole town was experiencing. An inaugural visit to the County Ground came within a month.

As a member of both the highest and lowest gates to attend senior football at the County Ground, he has watched Swindon on over 70 grounds and on around 1,000 occasions. A season ticket holder since the mid-seventies, Dave is a regular programme contributor, local paper columnist and has assisted the BBC's Ed Hadwin on the radio airwaves.

Consecutive promotions in 1986 and 87 took Town from Division Four back to the division that he first watched Swindon in back in 1969, and having so narrowly missed that promotion campaign of the sixties, it felt that no one had waited so long to enjoy the fruits of their commitment to Swindon Town.

Here is his favourite team comprising of players of his era:

1. FRASER DIGBY

Consistent over 11 seasons and four divisions at the County Ground, no other keeper has been as instrumental on so many important occasions for Town as Diggers.

2. ROD THOMAS

50 caps for Wales at a time when international teams only played four games a season. 296 appearances for Town, a championship medal with Derby, a class act.

3. PAUL BODIN

The other Welsh capped defender at Swindon. When the Lord asked him if he'd rather score the penalty to take Wales to the World Cup finals or the penalty that took Swindon to the Premiership, Bodes chose the latter. Good man!

4. GLENN HODDLE

Playing in this team as a 'front porch sweeper', no one needs me to explain his appearance here. Hod was God.

5. STAN HARLAND

Skipper at the League Cup final in 1969 and led the club to promotion to Division Two the same season. Strong at the back and strong in his leadership, Stan was the sacrificial lamb when Dave Mackay came in as player/manager and wanted his shirt. Left Second Division Town to join First Division Birmingham.

6. COLIN CALDERWOOD

What a central defensive partnership! Cool and commanding, either Calderwood or Harland captained the Town for almost every meaningful victory the club has had. 36 caps for Scotland, almost 200 Premiership games with Spurs and Villa. Enough said!

7. CHRIS KAMARA

Perhaps a surprise choice. Eventually gracing the top flight with Leeds United, Kammy would supply the bite and graft needed in a three man midfield. Some thought him skillful, some thought him aggressive. That he should elicit such varied respect means he'll do for me.

8. ALAN MCLOUGHLIN

Arriving on a free and departing for £1m, Alan Mc was credited with the goal that theoretically took Town to the top division in 1990. 42 caps for the Republic of Ireland, he'd carry the ball through the midfield to either feed the strikers or have a pop himself.

9. JAN AAGE FJORTOFT

My striking hero! An abysmal start at the County Ground saw Jan the Man turn things around to become the most complete Town striker this supporter has seen. Disposed of by McMahon because he was too popular.

10. DUNCAN SHEARER

78 goals in 159 League appearances, Big Dunc was a goal machine. Signed from Swindon by Dalglish at Blackburn just to stop him scoring the goals that would allow Town to overtake Rovers in the race to a play-off place. Kenny's ploy worked, Duncan was shipped off to Aberdeen but he still won 7 caps for Scotland.

11. DON ROGERS

The only player to score two goals for Town at Wembley, it's widely believed that Don's loyalty to Swindon cost him a full England international career. He still found time to humiliate Man United with a solo First Division goal after he left for Crystal Palace.





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POUNDS PER POINT RAISED SO FAR



"AWAY TRAVEL" SPONSORED HALF TIME DRAW.

First two winners this season have been :-

Sheffield Wednesday Mr J Briggs from Swindon, ticket number 768 paid a winning prize of £373 Notts County Lee Bennett from Swindon with ticket number 613, the prize was £339

POUNDS FOR POINTS SPONSORSHIP

Please see the separate section for the present up to date details Suffice to say that with sponsorship now standing at £29 per point at the time of writing these notes, with the hard earned point at Bournemouth the amount raised now stands at £203 for the school of excellence. This sum will continue to grow as points continue to be won in Division 2. We are delighted that pledges continue to be received and the more we get the more support we can give the school of excellence. The recent success in international competitions by our youngsters bodes well for the future and if you want to help and see our support increase do give Mavis Knight a ring on 01235 868755 or, visit our own, or the football club web sites for further details.

FURTHER SPONSORSHIP

As part of our ongoing fundraising for the school of excellence we have been helped by bookmakers Stanley who have donated a £2 "yankee" bet (£22 stake)on the 2003/4 season across all 4 divisions. Who better to turn to for football wisdom than our friends at the Advertiser sports desk. (No names given!) They came up with Premiership - Arsenal at 15/8, Div 1 West Brom 6/1, Div 2 QPR (Ugh!) 9/2 and Div 3 Hull 7/2. If they all come true £2000 + will be winging our way. Grateful thanks to our contact at Stanley's, (01793 542544), Kel Bushell, for giving us this opportunity.

MEETINGS.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

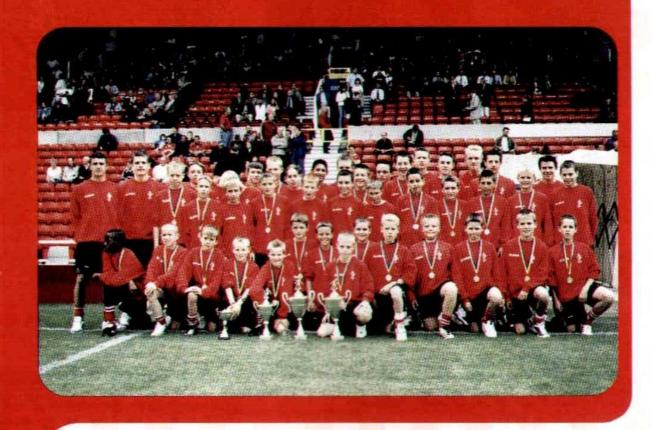
Members and prospective members are welcome to our Annual general meeting on 10th September which is being held in the Winners Lounge starting at 8 p.m. Whilst there will be a formal part of the evening , we are also hoping that some players will attend for a question and answer session. It is also an opportunity for our committee to explain what we are hoping to do in support of the Football Club during the coming season and for fans to put forward their views on how we should progress.

DISABLED GROUP

Are holding their first meeting for the new season on 1st September again in the Winners Lounge starting at 7.30p.m. You can be sure that a lively discussion and meeting will ensue and the meeting is open to all disabled fans and their helpers. Usually there is a significant guest from the football club so why not go along and join this committed group.

FINALLY

Have you joined the supporters club yet? With two away wins and a draw already it looks like we are going to have great fun on the road over the coming months. To ensure you get the benefit of discounted away travel with our away travel organisation make sure you join the fun and save costs at the same time. An adult member travelling to Bournemouth and Brighton with the away travel organisation would have already recovered half of their membership fee in discounted travel cost. Join us now using a form downloaded from our web site or by calling at the away travel office for an application form.



CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

OUR U14'S AND U16'S
TRAVELLED NORTH TO THE
EVERTON FESTIVAL OF
FOOTBALL ON
TUESDAY. THE U16'S FACED
WOLVES, GRIMSBY TOWN AND
HUDDERSFIELD TOWN.

They won one game and drew two games as they progressed to the semi-finals where they were beaten by Cardiff City.

The U14's played Everton, Plymouth Argyle, Huddersfield Town and Preston. The side won two games, drew one and lost one. After speaking to the coaching staff they were pleased with the overall attitude and desire shown by both our sides but were a little disappointed by the quality of the passing. Some individuals from both sides did themselves proud, however, we need more players to perform to a higher level as we look to increase consistent team performances.

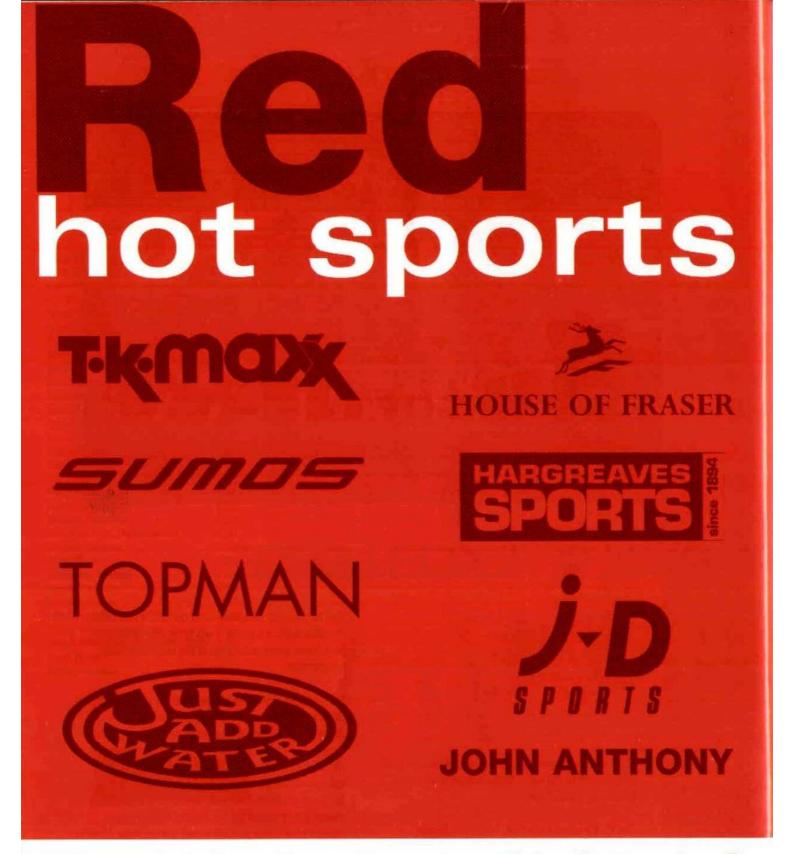
We travelled to Everton with our U10's on Wednesday morning and our U15's and U11's were due to travel on Thursday, with our U12's and U9's heading North on Friday. I will bring you details of how these sides performed in the next matchday programme.

I attended a Football League meeting attended by all Centre of Excellence and academy heads of department and Youth Development Officers. We discussed various issues including child protection, racial abuse, video and match analysis, compensation for young players and future funding for youth departments. This was a very interesting meeting and it sets up our Youth Department to move forward this season as we aim to meet criteria set down by the Football League so that all of our Centre of Excellence and Youth team players can continue their coaching and games programme in a safe and happy environment.

If any individual or business is interested in sponsoring the Youth Department, then please do not hesitate to call me on 01793 333724.

Enjoy the game.

Jimmy Fraser



Missed doing the shopping this Saturday?

No problem.

You can always do it on Sunday at The Brunel Centre. Open 10.30am-4.30pm. Call **01793 525857** or visit **www.westfield.com/brunel** for further information

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SWINDON TOWN'S SOCCER CENTRES

GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO TODAY'S GAME AGAINST BLACKPOOL.

The soccer centre season is just around the corner. The courses don't start up again until the 1st week of September so there has been a few weeks for our kids to have a well deserved rest, as all of our centres are run in school term time.

The overall standard at the centres last year was first class with over 700 kids going to the soccer centres. With that in mind, we had some very talented players who have now gone on to represent Swindon Town U9's in the Centre of Excellence.

For those of you that do not know anything about the Soccer Centres, they are courses for boys and girls between

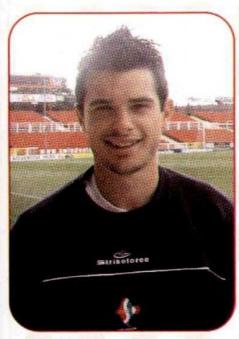
the ages of five and ten. These courses are based on enjoyment and fun whilst giving the kids a chance to practise and learn new skills. These include passing, control, shooting, dribbling, heading and to finish these sessions we have small sided games.

To book your place on September's course all you have to do is pay in full to your chosen leisure centre reception. The cost of the courses is just £3 per session and sessions last for an hour.

If you are interested or would like to know more information then just give me a call on 01793 333700.

Enjoy the game and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Adam Collier









IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING, THEN CONTACT SWINDON TOWN'S SOCCER CENTRE CO-ORDINATOR, ADAM COLLER ON 01793 333724

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Monday	5	00 - 6.00	

5-10 years 9.00 - 10.00 am 5 8 years Saturday

HIGHWORTH (Swindon Borough)

Tuesday 5.00 - 6.00 cm 7 - 8 years Thursday 5.00 - 6.00 pm

HAYDON CENTRE (Swindon Borough)

4.00 - 5.00 pm 5 - 6 years Thursday 5.00 - 6.00 pm 9 - 11 years

BAMPION (Oxon)

5.00 - 6.00 pm 7.8 & 9 years 6.00 - 7.00 pm 10 - 11 years

STRATTON 3.30 - 4.30 PM Monday 4.30 - 5.30 PM 3.30 - 4.30 PM Tuesday 4.30 - 5.30 PM 9 - 10 years Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 FM 4.30 - 5.30 PM 3.30 - 4.30 FM

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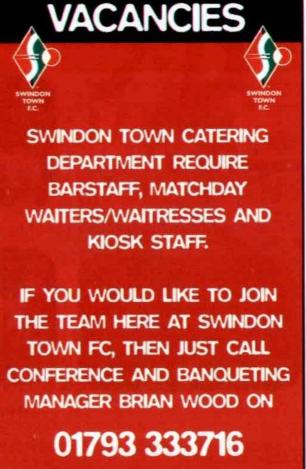
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STEC LADIES

THE TOWN LADIES' GAME AGAINST FOREST GREEN ROVERS, IN THE SOUTH WEST COMBINATION LEAGUE LAST SUNDAY, WAS POSTPONED AND WILL BE PLAYED ONE EVENING IN SEPTEMBER.

The Town sent a young team to face Thatcham Town in a pre-season friendly and were beaten by five goals to nil. Thatcham, who play in the Southern Regional League, are a strong side and provided a good test for our girls. Most of our girls were fourteen years old and one or two were playing eleven a side for the first time. Despite the score line the Town players gave a good account of themselves and will have benefited from playing an experienced side.

The Town Under Fourteen eleven a side team were due to play in the Surrey Primary League but the league has been cancelled due to only three teams applying to join for the coming season. The Town will now run two teams in the Wiltshire County League seven a side league and hope to pick up a few eleven a side games during the season.

Several Town players in the past few seasons have been selected to play for the County side at both Senior and Youth level in the South West Counties Championship. At Senior level Wiltshire will play in Group "B" along with Hampshire, The Army and Sussex, although the first game against Hampshire due to be played on Thursday 18th September has

been postponed. The youth side are also in Group "B" and have been drawn with Sussex and Hampshire.

Tomorrow the Town entertain
Chesham United in the South West
Combination League. When the two
sides met at Chesham at the end of
last September, a Michelle Rich goal
gave the Town their first win of the
season. In the home game the Town
won a closely fought encounter by
four goals to three to complete the
double over the Buckinghamshire
side. Tomorrow's game will be
played at Aldbourne FC Ground and
will KO at 2-00 pm

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Age: 21

Home town Hungerford
Occupation: Student
Position: Forward
Previous Clubs: Southampton Saints
Honours: Wiltshire County Youth
Who do you most admire? David
Beckham
Favourite Club? Swindon Town
Favourite player? Sammy Igoe
Favourite television programme? V
Graham Norton
Who would you most like to be stuck
in a lift with?
Graham Norton



FIXTURES 2003/04

Aug 17	Clevedon Town		3-1
Aug 24	Forest Green Rovers	Away	p.p
Aug 31	Chesham United	Home	
Sep 07	Exeter City	Away	
Sep 14	Plymouth Argyle		
Sep 21	Chesham United	Away	
Sep 28	Yeavil Town	Home	
Get 5	Caroff City	Away	
Oct 12	Reading	Home	
Oct 19	Courty Cup		
Dct 26	FA CUP 1		
Nov 2	Reading Royals	Away	
Nov 9	FA CUP 2		
	County Cup		
Nov 23	Forest Green Rovers	Home	
Nov 30	Oxford		
Dec 07	FA CUP 3		
Dec 14	Country Com		

SEASON 2002/03 FINAL TABLE

Team.	P				A	PTS
Portsmouth	22					64
Reading Royals	22				19	54
Cardiff City	22			87		54
Plymouth Argyle	22			57		
Swindon Town	22			57	55	36
Devedon Town SBW	22			56		30
Chesham United	22			R	33	29
Yeavil Town	22		13	31	42	23
Newton Abbot	22			50	99	20
Exeter City	22		13	49	53	
Reading	22			35	74	17
Aylesbury United	22		22	12	165	



 Swindon Town detender Matt Heywood with the children and coaches who attended last weeks coaching course



Rising stars during the coaching course at St Joseph's School



Ouestion Time with Heywood

RAFU'S





COMMUNITY

GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO TODAY'S GAME AGAINST BLACKPOOL, WE HOPE YOU ENJOY THE GAME AND THAT WE ACHIEVE MAXIMUM POINTS AGAINST OUR FORMER MANAGER STEVE MCMAHON.

This week has seen us complete our five week coaching programme which has seen us coach over 1,000 children in what has been, at some times, unbearable conditions. As you may have read in the last edition we visited Marlborough and Chippenham for our annual festival of football. This year proved to be the most successful, particularly at Chippenham, where we coached over 100 keen young players. Jon and I would like to express our sincere thanks to Ray Lane and his administration staff who have again done a fantastic job to enable us to run another successful fun week in John Coles Park, Chippenham. We would also like to thank the Mayor who attended the final day of coaching to do our presentations along with the infamous Rockin' Robin. All the children went away with their goody bags and a brand new football, with some great memories of the action packed three days.

Our coaches again this year have done us proud and Jon and I appreciate all of their efforts as without them we would not be able to provide our comprehensive coaching packages in Swindon and beyond.

We have received, this summer, a visit from The FA in a bid to register for charter standard. The inspection was held on 12th August 2003 and we were delighted with the feedback that we have received from the powers above. The coaches have contributed to us receiving our seal of approval along with the excellent facilities provided by St Joseph's Lower School, Queens Drive. For those of you who have driven past in recent weeks I am sure you would agree it makes for a magnificent sight to see so many young children enjoying themselves through the avenues of association football. We would like to thank all those who have attended our courses and who have put in great endeavor and effort throughout the five week period.

The next course is at the end of October and places are filling quickly. So, to avoid disappointment please call us on 01793 421303 or simply call into the main reception at The County Ground to pick up a registration form.

Finally, just a quick reminder about our Fraser Digby goalkeeping clinic that will be held here at the Club on Friday 30th August 2003. We have limited places left so if you would like to sign-up then do not hesitate to call us on the number above.

Enjoy the game, Clive Maguire

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- · ·Individual/team prizes to be won
- · ·Three course meal

Evening

Swindon Town v. Luton Town

- · · Pre-match buffet
- · · Main stand tickets for the game
- · · Half time refreshments tea/coffee
- · · Complimentary match programme
- · · Swindon Town gift for each guest



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- · · Complimentary matchday magazine for each guest
- Half-time retreshments of tea/coffee and biscuits
- Post-match vote for STFC 'Man of the Match'
- Presentation photograph taken with Swindon Town player
- Club presentation of commemorative gift to match sponsor
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- Pre-match/Post-match pay bar facility

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- Post-match vote for STFC 'Man of the Match'

- Presentation photograph taken with Swindon Town player Club presentation of commemorative gift to Matchball or
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- Pre-match/Post-match pay bar facility
- Magazine back cover acknowledgement as Matchball or
- Magazine sponsor

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- Stadium Tour (Saturday games only)
- High quality three-course meal
- Half-time retreshments of lea/cottle

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GOOD AFTERNOON TO YOU ALL, I'D LIKE TO WELCOME ALL THE JUNIOR ROBINS HERE TODAY.

The Junior Robins Souvenir Packs will be ready for collection on Monday 1st September. There will be some first team players in Swindon Town Football Club's shop from 2.00pm-4.00pm to hand them out. Everyone is welcome for autographs and polaroid pictures and it promises to be a fun afternoon and I look forward to seeing you there.

On Saturday we enjoyed the company of the Junior Magpies, they enjoyed a coaching session for an hour on the Lifestyle pitches, a few drinks before kick off but strangely enough we didn't get to see them much after the game!

The Junior Robins lead by George Chadwick went on their first reciprocal visit of the season to The Fitness First Stadium home of AFC Bournemouth on Monday 25th August. The coach was sold out and George tells me that everyone was on their best behaviour. Darren Howlett (our mascot for the day) also had a great day but didn't manage to bring us that little bit of extra luck. Darren's young aunt Laura Clargo, who went with him into the changing rooms, said "I was shaking with excitement meeting all the players I couldn't take Darren's picture properly".

Our second reciprocal visit is to Brighton & Hove Albion on Saturday 6th September, we are leaving the County Ground at 10.30am so PLEASE could you be here for

10.15am. There are a few spaces left but it promises to be a sell out so book NOW! To book call me at The County Ground, or come in and see me at Main Reception.

By the time you read these notes we will have been on our Junior Robins trip to The Millennium Stadium and Bristol Zoo. There will be a full report of the trip in the Wrexham Matchday Magazine. I hope you all enjoyed your day out!

I'd like to wish these Junior Robins a very Happy Birthday I hope you had or will have a great day:

Jack Whittaker 22nd August Adam Martin 23rd August Katie Westcott 24th August Jack Pall 27th August 28th August Joe Grant 30th August Steven Usher & Joe Gastra Christopher Mainey & Zac Brooks 31st August Mstr Williamson, Colin Brady & 1st September Rvan Collett Anton Lazarus & Shane Reynolds 2nd September John Barron, Curits Meare & 3rd September Dean Robinson Jonothan Humphries, David 4th September Bostock, Michael Farage & James Farmer

If anyone would like any more information on anything to do with Junior Robins or Schools, please do not hesitate to contact me on the details below.

Brady Lambert & P Leggett

COME ON YOU REDS!

6th September

Bocky.

Och Aye Robbie, I let my temper get the worst of me last week and I blew my top at the forth official and got myself sent off. I'm a bit worried because I just cannae control my feelings here. Every little thing makes me mad. I know you are the coolest dude on the block and I just wondered if you have any advice for me to avoid these confrontations. Sir Angry Ferguson.

Sir Angry,

Well, I've seen you going as red as your lad's shirts there and I've been a bit concerned for your blood pressure. I remember a few years ago when Graeme Souness had been ill, he needed someone to hold him down to prevent him from jumping up and down in the dug-out. I can suggest that you employ somebody to be at your side to slap you round the face when you start to get worked up. A gentle slap for when you raise your voice right through to a round-house uppercut when you really get out of your pram. Trouble is, finding someone to do it... or at least organising the queue of people applying for the job! Ha Ha!

But seriously, I think you should go to the doctor for a check-up. A friend of mine went the other day because he had noticed a small leaf appearing from his ear. He told the doctor he thought it was a lettuce. "I have some bad news" said the doctor after examining him. "It's only the tip of the iceberg". Boom Boom!

By the way, I have just received a score line in from Spain where I believe an old friend of yours is playing Real Madrid - 1 Surreal Madrid - Fish!!!

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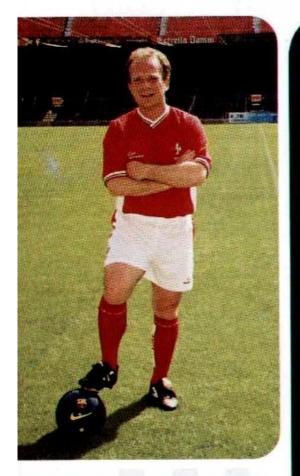
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A MAN IN RESERVE DAVID MARSH

THOSE OF YOU NOT EATING A BURGER OR ENJOYING MATCHDAY HOSPITALITY AT HALF TIME AT THE COUNTY GROUND MAY BE PUZZLED AT THE KITTED OUT PLAYER ON THE PITCH WHO HAS THE NUMBER 69 ON HIS BACK.

WHO IS THIS MAN? Is he a serial non-contract player or a real Swindon Town fan? Well, I spoke to the man who successfully bid to become a player on the team sheet for Swindon after a 'free transfer' from Colchester at the beginning of the season.

David Marsh is a 43 year old telecommunications engineer living near Walsall. He told me that Swindon was always his team having lived here for over 20 years, his parents still live here. However he was one of the youngest players to turn out for Colchester so last year he successfully bid in an auction that was primarily organised to highlight the problems with the TV deal and a way of recouping some revenue for the club. Having been fortunate enough to win the auction, David was hoping to get on the pitch for 2 minutes, but in the last match at Colchester, QPR were playing for a play-off place. So he failed in becoming one of the oldest and youngest players at Layer Road.

When Swindon organised a similar auction David could see a dream realised so he put in a high bid and was successful. It has been his absolute ambition to get on to the hallowed turf at the County Ground. On the first day of the season, in 100 degree heat, David walked onto the pitch with the players. He says Andy King smiled but David has not plucked up courage to knock on Andy's door (yet) and ask for 2 minutes on the pitch.

He believes this season will be great for Swindon, so he will be a regular visitor for home games, despite the journey. Although not a serial non-contract player, he denies he will be going to Old Trafford next season, although he has played in charity games at Man U and the Nou Camp. But there is nothing as proud as being at your home club. The 69 on his shirt obviously recalls his watching Don Rogers in the league cup. David also remembers the Hoddle era with affection. He says there are very good reasons why fans support Swindon, it's a really great club. He described himself as a nifty right winger at Colchester and would have loved to move to the County Ground.

Now his auction has earned him two season tickets here, home & away kits with his name + the magic 69 number. He is signed on with Nationwide as a non-contract player, which he recognises as being sensational, although he felt the signing on form was a little naff. He also gets to a training session with the players.

Let's talk to David again after that and see if he is still smiling!

It's fantastic that the club allowed it to happen and maybe you can bid next season. So will I, but I would not look forward to a hard training session with 'The Gaffer'

Mike Judd

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MASCOT PACKAGE 1

Including hospitality treatment for four people:

A+ GAME: £325 A GAME: £300 B GAME £275 C GAME: £250

For this you get the following:

- · A full replica kit including shirt, shorts and socks
- A stadium tour for all members of the party (Saturday games only)
- · Pre-match meal for the party
- · Half time refreshments of tea/coffee and biscuits
- · Complimentary matchday magazine for each guest
- Editorial write-up and photograph in matchday magazine
- Commemorative photograph with team captains and officials prior to kick-off

MASCOT PACKAGE 2

Including matchday tickets for four people:

A+GAME: £225
A GAME: £200
B GAME £175
C GAME: £150

For this you get the following:

- · Four matchday tickets
- . The chance to lead the team out before the game
- Meet the players in the dressing room before the game
- Editorial write-up and photograph in matchday magazine
- Commemorative photograph with team captains and officials prior to kick-off

A+ GAMES:

Sheffield Wednesday - Bristol City - QPR

A GAMES:

Brighton - Plymouth - Luton - Brentford - Wycombe

B GAMES

Grimsby - Oldham - Tranmere - Blackpool -Barnsley - Rushden & Diamonds - Bournemouth

C GAMES

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All prices + VAT. If you want to book a package call Alice on 0870 443 1969



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STFC FACT FILE

KICK-OFF 3PM SATURDAYS, 7.45PM MIDWEEK UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED STFC SCORE FIRST

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Fri 15 Aug	Colchester United	7.45	Away	1-0	3,339	518	13th			
Sat 23 Aug	Notts County	3.00	Home	4-0	5758	206				
Mon 25 Aug	AFC Bournemouth	3.00	Away	2-2	6606	1400				
Sat 30 Aug	Blackpool	3.00.	Home							
Sat 6 Sept	Brighton & H.A.	3.00	Away							
Sat 13 Sept	Wrexham	3.00	Home							
Tues 16 Sept	Grimsby Town	7.45	Away							
Sat 20 Sept	Barnsley	3.00	Away							
Wed 24 Sept	Leeds United LC2	TBC	Away							
Sat 27 Sept	Peterborough United	3.00	Home							
Wed 1 Oct	Luton Town	7.45	Home							
Sat 4 Oct	Bristol City	3.00	Away							
Sat 11 Oct	Stockport County	3.00	Home							
Sat 18 Oct	Chesterfield	3.00	Away							
Tues 21 Oct	Tranmere Rovers	7.45	Away							
Sat 25 Oct	Port Vale	3.00	Home							
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Sat 15 Nov	Oldham Athletic	-	Away							
Sat 22 Nov	Queens Park Rangers	3.00	Home							
Sat 29 Nov	Hartlepool United	3.00								
Sat 13 Dec	Plymouth Argyle	3.00	Home	FA	Cup 2					
Sat 20 Dec	Brentford	3.00	Away							
Fri 26 Dec	Rushden & Diamonds	3.00	Away							
Sun 28 Dec	Brighton & H.A.	3.00	Home							
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TODAY'S MASCOT



MATTHEW GALBRIATH

is today's Town Mascot and comes from Hungerford. Aside from football, his hobbies are rugby, cricket, tennis and playing on his PlayStation 2. He attends John O'Gaunt School and his favourite Town players are Bart Griemink and 'Super' Sam Parkin.

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR DAY WITH SWINDON TOWN... WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

ITS NOT TOO EARLY TO BOOK THE ULTIMATE CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE COUNTY GROUND!!



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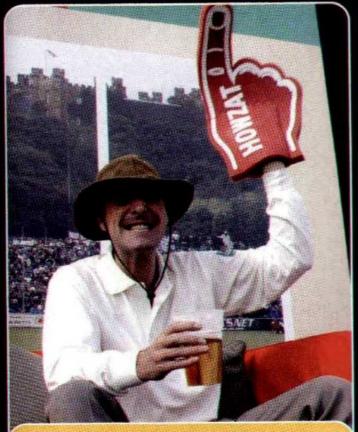






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TEAM	P	HW	HD	HL	HGF	HGA	AW	AD	AL	AGF	AGA	PTS	GD
BARNSLEY	4	2	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	4	2	10	+4
WREXHAM	4	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	4	2	10	+3
BRIGHTON	4	2	0	0	4	1	1	0	1	3	2	9	+4
PORT VALL	4	2	0	0	6	4	1	0	1	2	3	9	+1
HARTLEPOOL	4	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	5	4	8	+3
QPR	4	2	0	0	6	0	0	1	1	4	5	7	+5
SWINDON.	4	1	0	1	6	3	1	1	0	3	2	7	+4
GRIMSBY	4	1	0	1	4	3	1	1	0	4	3	7	+2
SHEFF WED	4	0	1	1	4	5	2	0	0	4	2	7	+1
RUSHDEN	4	1	1	0	5	4	1	0	1	3	4	7	0
PETERBOROUG	344	0	0	2	3	5	2	0	0	4	0	6	+2
LUTON	4	1	0	1	4	3	1	0	1	2	3	- 6	0
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TRANMERE	4	1	0	1	5	3	0	2	0	1	1	5	+2
PLYMOUTH	4	1	1	0	5	3	0	1	1	2	3	5	+1
CHESTERFIELD	4	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	0	3	3	4	0
WYCOMBE	4	1	1	0	4	3	0	0	2	3	6	4	-2
COLCHESTER	4	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	2	3	5	3	-2
BRENTFORD	4	1	0	1	2	4	0	0	2	1	5	3	-6
BOURNEMOUT	H4	0	2	0	4	4	0	0	2	1	3	2	-2
OLDHAM	4	0	0	2	3	6	0	1	1	3	4	1	-4
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APPEARANCES 2003/04

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BART GRIEMINK	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
GRANT SMITH	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0		
MATT HEWLETT	4	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0		
ADI VIVEASH	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
ANDY GURNEY	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
SAMMY IGOE	4	1	1411	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
TOMMY MOONEY	4	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0		
SAM PARKIN	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0		
STEF MIGUORANZI	4	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
DAVID DUKE	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
IAN HERRING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
JON STEVENSON	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
ANDREW NICHOLAS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
BRYAN HOWARD	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
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UP NEXT AT THE COUNTY GROUND

WHO: WREXHAM
WHEN: SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH
KICK OFF: 3PM

WREXHAM ARE NEXT UP AT THE COUNTY GROUND WHEN DENIS SMITH BRINGS HIS TEAM TO FACE TOWN ON 13TH SEPTEMBER.

Enjoying the excitement of a promotion season last term after a third place finish in Division Three, the Welsh club have made a good start and have already recorded an away win in Division Two against recent County Ground visitors Notts County, Match winning goal scorer that day, Hector Sam, is a full international with Trinidad and Tobago, as is skilful midfielder Carlos Edwards. Indeed, Wrexham's 3-2 win against Sheffield Wednesday on Bank holiday Monday took the Welsh club's

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unbeaten run to an impressive 18 matches. Andy Morrell scored a massive 35 goals in last season's promotion campaign but his departure during the summer to Coventry coupled with the move of second top scorer Lee Trundle to Swansea gives the other strikers at the club the opportunity to show that the team was not a one-man band.

Supporters will be keen to identify the players that rise to the challenge of replacing the two because if Wrexham's defence loses it's propensity for frugality their early season lack of goal-scoring is going to cause them a problem, although claims to the striker's mantle were made by Llewellyn, Lawrence and Edwards who were all on the score sheet in the win at Hillsborough. Amongst the squad of the Racecourse based club are two players who have reason to remember the County Ground. Winger Paul Edwards made a dazzling entrance for Swindon in September 2001 after his move to Swindon from Altrincham and moved on to Wrexham before the start of last season, playing in 38 League games during 2002/03.

Midfielder Jim Whitley spent a twomatch spell on loan in Wiltshire from Manchester City in December 2000, and he played in all but two games in last year's promotion season.

Returning to the Racecourse during the summer was old boy Chris Armstrong who arrived from Bolton. An England B international, Armstrong spent seven seasons at Tottenham before going back to the club that he left in 1991.

Other pre-season arrivals were midfielders Chris Llewellyn from Norwich and youngster Matty Crowell from Southampton.

Goalkeeper Andy Dibble who joined Wrexham from Stockport County qualifies for veteran status. In a League career that started at Cardiff City back in 1981/82, Dibble has played for an incredible 14 League clubs, plus a seven match spell in Scotland with Rangers. Even dropping out of the League to play for Altrincham in 1999, he returned to League action with Hartlepool and is now in his 22nd season between the posts.

Dibble is understudied by Paul Whitfield who was on the bench in Wales's recent 3-0 defeat at under 21 level by Serbia and Montenegro. Also on the bench that evening was defender Craig Morgan, while defensive partner Shaun Pejic made the starting line-up.

For more details please call the Swindon Town Box Office on 0870 443 1894.



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Adults: £13, £18 & £19
Concessions/ OAP/ Students: £10, £11, & £12
Wheelchair and helper: £8

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