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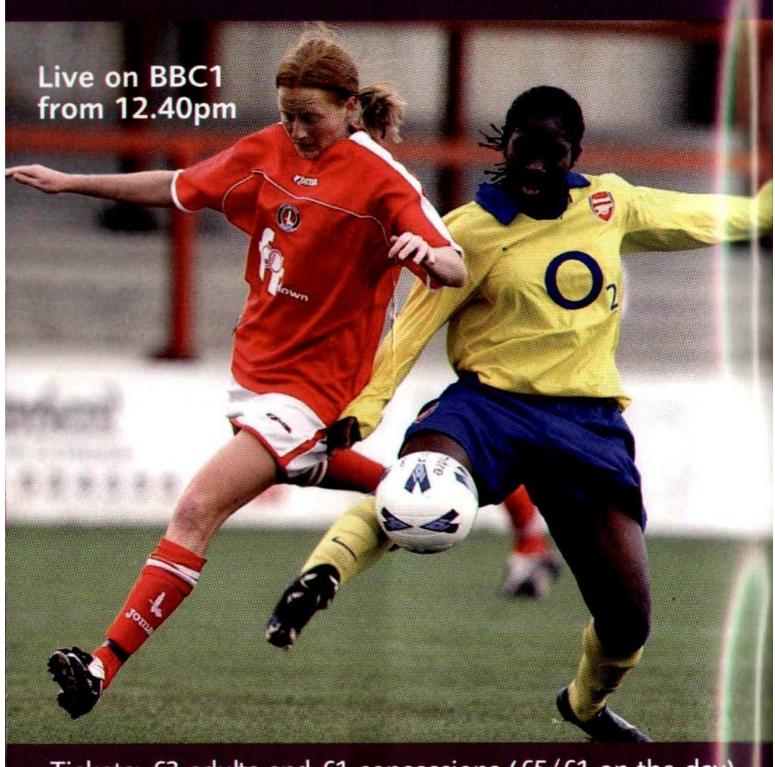
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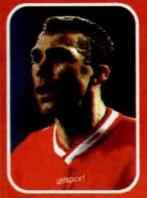
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Interview with Matt Hewlett

Ooh Shaun Taylor





COMMENT - Chris Tanner

The waiting is over. Bristol City are in Town for what is the biggest game of the season so far.

The Ticket Office has been flooded with enquiries since the tickets went on sale and with a sell-out crowd expected here this afternoon, it should be a cracking atmosphere inside the ground. Last Saturday's defeat at Peterborough was a big disappointment but there is no better game to get back on track than against your local rivals.

Inside this edition of FC Magazine we speak to Matt Hewlett who gives us his views on the season so far, wearing the captains armband and of course this afternoon's game.

With just two home league games left until the season finishes, we can go someway towards securing a play-off place with three points this afternoon.

Over to you lads...

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THENEWS

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FRIDAY 2ND APRIL DIGBY SAVES THE DAY

Town's Sales and Marketing Executive Fraser Digby stars for England in the Home Nations Championships in Cardiff.

Held at The Wales National Ice Rink in Cardiff, after progressing to the final England blew away Wales 6-2 thanks to a Mark Walters hat-trick.

Digby lined up with Mark Walters to make up Town's English contingent along with his other team mates; Chris Waddle, Luther Blissett, Garry Parker, Nigel Winterburn, Paul Walsh, John Beresford and David Oldfield. Paul Bodin turned out for Wales with Jimmy Quinn representing All Ireland.

TUESDAY 6TH APRIL NEW KIT ON SHOW

The Swindon Town 2004/2005 home and away kits will be launched this Spring and Summer.

Pictured here are both the home & away kits which won the recent website vote by supporters. The away kit is due to go on sale during the first week in June with the Home kit launch scheduled for mid July. A preorder form will appear in the next match programme and on the website.

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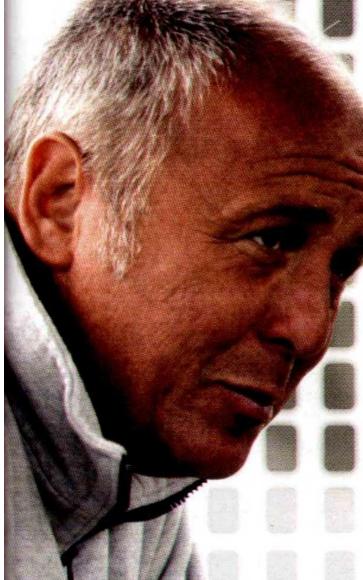
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GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO TODAY'S GAME WITH BRISTOL CITY, I WOULD LIKE TO WISH A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITING PLAYERS, SUPPORTERS AND DIRECTORS AND OF COURSE DANNY WILSON TO THE COUNTY GROUND.

This game comes at a very important time as the Easter programme is always a defining period in the football season. I am sure that after Easter Monday many of the promotion, relegation and play-off issues will become much clearer. I must say although there is great rivalry between the two clubs. I still say that I think that it is a wonderful achievement that both clubs are still in contention for automatic promotion. It is a great credit to football in the West Country. I am told that this afternoon could be a sell-out and I am looking forward to seeing the ground full and it should be a great atmosphere. This game will be self-motivating for the players. The challenge is there and we should all strive to achieve.

As for the remaining games this season, I think we have six semi-finals left. The achievement of Millwall at the weekend was based on the endeavour and desire to win the game and that is the kind of commitment I am looking for. Adi Viveash has returned from a successful loan spell at Kidderminster and his experience could prove invaluable to us between now and the end of the season. I am hoping that you might get a chance to see Eddie Howe in action this afternoon in some capacity whilst Steve Robinson will be coming back into threequarter full-time training this week.

We have some injury worries ahead of this game and I am hoping that Matt Hewlett, Andy Nicholas and Rhys Evans have all recovered in time to line-up today. Brian Howard is still suspended until after the Luton game and I will not know whether Sean O'Hanlon will be fit to for today after coming off at half-time last weekend. However sometimes in adversity, especially in the four years that I have been here, we have dug deep and together we have come through every challenge that has been thrown at us. I am sure that will be the case this weekend.

Enjoy yourselves and remember, everyone is here today to be entertained and enjoy the game.

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TREATMENT ROOM

WELCOME TO TODAY'S IMPORTANT CLASH WITH BRISTOL CITY.

Rhys Evans and Matt Hewlett missed last weekend's defeat at Peterborough but could both have recovered to take their place in the line-up today. Rhys missed the game with a thigh strain and Matt has had some bone bruising and I would have hoped him to train on Friday ahead of today's game.

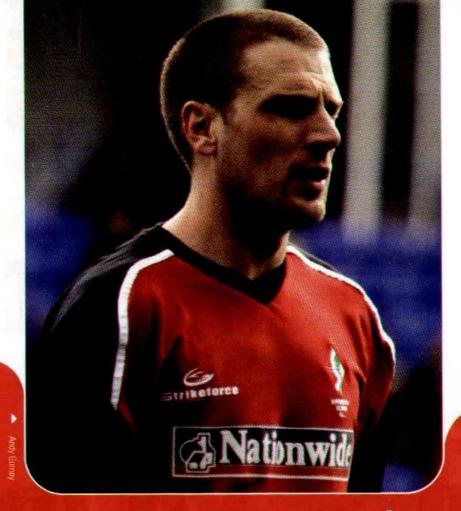
Eddie Howe has been progressing well and I hope that he will be able to feature this afternoon.

I am hopeful that he will be available for selection as we have done a lot of stamina work on his ankle.

Sean O'Hanlon has had a calf strain which saw him substituted at Peterborough United on Saturday and he may not be ready for today.

Enjoy the game.

Dick Mackey physio@swindontownfc.co.uk



CAPTAIN'S

GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO WHAT HAS BEEN AN EAGERLY ANTICIPATED DERBY WITH BRISTOL CITY.

I for one know just how much this derby means having played in many before with Torquay and Bristol Rovers. There is a lot at stake both in terms of league points and local pride.

Coming into this game, I feel that we are better prepared than last season. We now have a good mix within the squad with young players such as Brian, 'Nico' and Sean, who have all proved their worth this season. When you add the more experienced

players such as Tommy, Matt Hewlett and Stef then I believe you have a great starting point.

Having been suspended for the visit of Barnsley, I returned to the line-up for the trip to Vale Park and thankfully we took a point from one of the most entertaining games of the season. However, that form did not continue with a defeat last weekend and it is now up to us to get back on track.

Get behind the lads today, it should be a great atmosphere inside The County Ground and we will do our utmost do provide you with something to shout about.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE, STFC. MARK DEVLIN



GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO YOU ALL FOR TODAY'S IMPORTANT FIXTURE. ON BEHALF OF THE SWINDON TOWN BOARD OF DIRECTORS, CAN I ALSO OFFER A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITING DIRECTORS, MANAGEMENT, PLAYERS AND SUPPORTERS.

With our traditional rivals currently competing in Division Three, I think I can safely say that today's game will mean most, in terms of passion, for Swindon (and perhaps even Bristol City) fans this season. The game should be played out in front of as near a capacity County Ground crowd as possible- the first time this has occured for a League game since the heady days of our season in the Premier League. With roughly the same number of Bristol City fans in attendance as there were for last seasons encounter, this means that there are many more Town fans present today. I would like to thank all our fans for responding so well to our request to book tickets as soon as possible. The fact that so many tickets were sold in advance helps our match day planning and operation considerably. I would also like to

thank the Box Office and Clubshop staff who have worked so hard and put in extra hours to make this situation possible. You can all now have that lunch hour and loo break you were promised last season!

Hopefully, as many of you as possible will have received a free copy of 'The Informer' today as you entered the ground. We have put this together to provide our supporters with some additional background information on the proposed new stadium and sports village development at Shaw Tip. It also gives further details on our development partners, St Modwen Properties PLC, and outlines some of the issues the club has had to face and overcome, before we were able to reach this stage. Can I thank those fans whom have contacted the club to give their support for the New Stadium. Understandably, there are fans who have some cherished memories of the County Ground, but almost all fans accept that to move this club forward and provide a platform for a sustainable football club, this is a move we need to make. As I write these notes, I am unable to give you the dates set aside for public consultation, which is planned at both the County Ground and in Sparcells



during the current month. Hopefully these dates will be known by the time you read this programme.

Undeniably, last weekends result was a huge disappointment to everyone at the club. However, one result, good or bad, does not make a season and with your help and support the players can achieve the right result today and banish the memory of our visit to London Road.

Keep the noise levels high and enjoy the game.

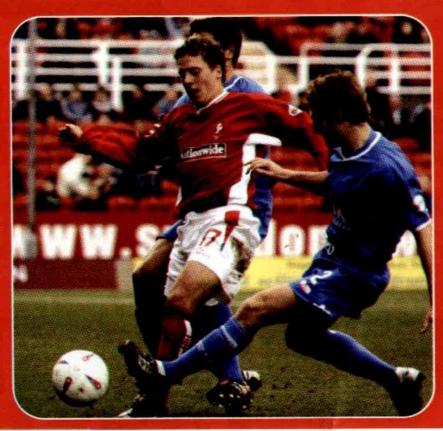
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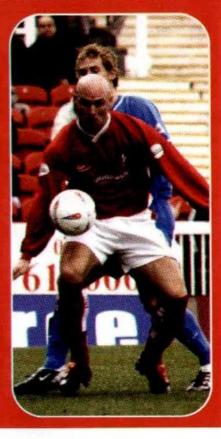
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BARNSLEY 1

SATURDAY 27TH MARCH - VENUE: COUNTY GROUND - ATT: 7,305 ALL PHOTO'S COURTESY CHRIS ADAMS





TOWN GAINED A HARD EARNED POINT AT HOME WHERE SAM PARKIN OPENED THE SCORING **BUT BARNSLEY EQUALISED** THROUGH A DISPUTED PENALTY DENYING TOWN THEIR 9TH HOME WIN ON THE TROT WRITES STFC SPORTS REPORTER ADRIAN SMITH

Town took a deserved lead in the 8th minute when Sean O'Hanlon sent a good cross to Sam Parkin who leapt highest to plant a glancing header past Beresford for his 19th goal of the season.

The home team stepped up the pressure with Parkin earning a corner following a cross by Nicholas and Brian Howard was unlucky when his cross from the corner struck the crossbar and rebounded into play. Barnsley equalised from the penalty spot in the 33rd minute when David Murphy went down under the faintest

of challenges from Miglioranzi and on-loan Danny Nardiello sent Evans the wrong way with his kick. Mooney was harshly cautioned in the 42nd minute when he charged down a defensive clearance making minimal contact with the defender but the referee showed a yellow card to the Town player.

Rory Fallon replaced Mooney at halftime and was instrumental in some good attacks for Town which eventually saw Hayward cautioned for scything the former Barnsley player down from behind.

The visitors had two corners in quick succession before Nardiello fell over in the penalty area under a challenge from O'Hanlon but the referee chose to give only a goal-kick despite the theatrical dive.

Evans made a good save from a shot by Betsy in the 88th minute and although Town continued to push forward they were unable to find a

winning goal and had to settle for a point which moved them up to 4th place in Division 2.

SWINDON TOWN:

Rhys Evans, Sean O'Hanlon, Matt Hewlett, Sammy Igoe, Tommy Mooney (Rory Fallon), Sam Parkin, Andrew Nicholas, Brian Howard (David Duke), Stefani Miglioranzi, Alan Reeves.

Subs not used: Bart Griemink, Grant Smith, Michael Pook

BARNSLEY:

Marlon Beresford, Neil Austin, Jacob Burns, Gary Birch, Anthony Kay, Alex Neil (Chris Lumsdon), Chris Shuker (Kevin Betsy), Danny Nardiello, Craig Ireland, David Murphy, Steve Hayward.

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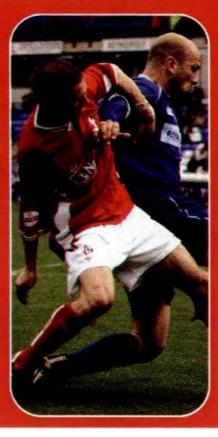
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MATCH ACTION PETERBOROUGH 4

SWINDON TOWN 2

SATURDAY 3RD APRIL - VENUE: LONDON ROAD - ATT: 4,745 ALL PHOTO'S COURTESY CHRIS ADAMS





TOWN CRASHED 4-2 AT RELEGATION THREATENED PETERBOROUGH UNITED WITH A DISAPPOINTING DISPLAY AT LONDON ROAD WRITES STFC SPORTS REPORTER ADRIAN SMITH.

Peterborough took a 3rd minute lead when the unmarked Adam Newton headed home from close range but Town responded with an equaliser a minute later when Matt Heywood fired home from 14 yards after Alan Reeves had headed the ball back from a high cross. David Farrell gave the home team the lead in the 20th minute with a speculative cross which flew over Griemink's head after the 'Boro player was allowed to run unchallenged down the left wing. Reeves was cautioned in the 24th minute for a foul as Peterborough dominated the half with little creativity from Town until the 40th minute when Tommy Mooney and

Sammy Igoe managed to have long range shots without troubling the home keeper. Andy Gurney had a shot from 30 yards but the ball struck the crossbar and out for a goal-kick just before the Referee blew up to end a disappointing half for the 747 Swindon fans present. Rory Fallon replaced O'Hanlon at halftime before the home team had a sustained period of attacking play but Town levelled in the 64th minute when a lob by Igoe over the defence saw the ball bounce once and Sam Parkin scored with a classy looping header over the on-rushing Tyler for his 21st goal of the season. Ten minutes later Logan got the final touch on a shot by Williams to give Peterborough a deserved lead. The constant home pressure led to a dramatic goal when Griemink raced from his goal to intercept an attack and although he passed to Duke, the Town midfielder lost possession of the ball to Steve Thomson and he lobbed home from 40

yards over Griemink's head as he struggled to get back into his goal.

PETERBOROUGH UTD:

Mark Tyler, Sagi Burton, Guy Branston, Simon Rea, Adam Newton, Curtis Woodhouse (Steven Thomson), Andy Legg, Tom Williams, Calum Willock (Andy Clarke), Clive Platt (Richard Logan), David Farrell

Subs not used: Matthew Gill, Steve Jenkins

SWINDON TOWN:

Bart Griemink, Sean O'Hanlon (Rory Fallon), Andy Gurney, Sammy Igoe, Tommy Mooney, Sam Parkin, Stefani Miglioranzi, David Duke, Andy Nicholas, Matt Heywood, Alan Reeves

Subs not used: Rhys Evans, Grant Smith, Michael Pook, Luke Garrard

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MATCH ACTION PORT VALE 3 SWINDON TOWN 3





IF EVER THE EXPRESSION A 'GAME OF TWO HALVES' IS NEEDED TO DESCRIBE A FOOTBALL MATCH - THEN THE **EXHIBITION AT VALE PARK** WAS THE PERFECT EXAMPLE WITH ALL PRESENT PRIVILEGED TO HAVE WITNESSED AN **OUTSTANDING TOWN** COMEBACK FROM THREE **GOALS DOWN WRITES STFC** SPORTS REPORTER ADRIAN SMITH.

The match kicked off almost 15 minutes later than scheduled due to a partial floodlight failure and Town went straight on the attack with Sam Parkin placing the Vale defence under pressure following a throw-in by Gurney and the ball was scrambled away for a corner which was cleared.

Vale's first serious attack in the 8th

minute saw some good approach work by Steve Brooker teasing the Town defence before sending a cross to Steve McPhee who was adjudged to have fouled Evans and a free-kick awarded.

Vale had a corner in the 14th minute which was headed goalward by McPhee striking Miglioranzi on the line but Billy Paynter followed up and smashed the rebound home from close range to put the home team in front

O'Hanlon was tripped in the 30th minute by Craig James who was cautioned but Mooney's free-kick was high and wide. Moments later a free-kick was awarded for a foul on Mooney and the ball was played back out by the home defence towards Igoe but his dipping shot flew just over the bar.

McPhee and Brooker were giving the

Town defence a torrid time with their pace and Brooker had a good shot on the turn in the 37th minute. The pace of Steve McPhee proved to be Town's undoing when he was allowed to run totally unchallenged for 20 yards into the Town area and shoot past Evans in the 41st minute to double Vale's lead.

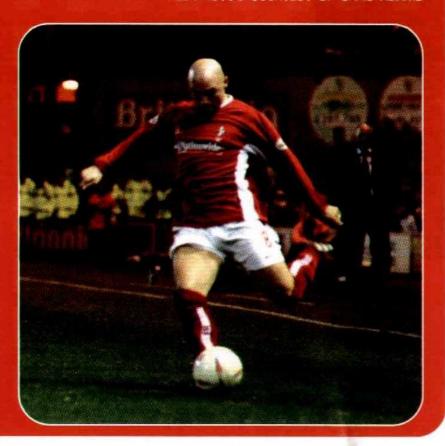
Rory Fallon replaced Igoe at halftime and again almost made an immediate impact when he teamed up with Parkin and flicked the ball off for Mooney to have a shot on goal. Fallon was very unlucky with a shot in the 50th minute which struck the crossbar and the ball rebounded to safety and Town continued to push forward.

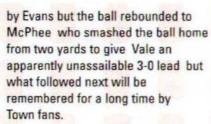
The referee played a good advantage in the 58th minute when a Town defender handled on the edge of the area but the ball rebounded to McPhee. His initial shot was saved



TUESDAY 30TH MARCH VENUE: VALE PARK ATTENDANCE: 5,702

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Town clawed a goal back in the 63rd minute when Andy Nicholas sent a powerful cross from the left wing which was headed in from 8 yards by Sam Parkin for his 20th goal of the season to draw him level with Tommy Mooney in the goalscoring stakes.

Matt Hewlett scored with a fabulous low finish from 18 yards after receiving a pass from Parkin in the 68th minute to raise the spirits of the 494 travelling Town supporters in the crowd of 5,702 as Andy King's men continued to push forward.

Michael Cummins had a tremendous shot from 25 yards which struck the foot of the post and at the other end Sam Parkin's touch deserted him in the 73rd minute when he fired over from 12 yards with the goal at his mercy.

Rory Fallon completed an amazing comeback for Town with 7 minutes remaining after Miglioranzi broke down the right and crossed to Parkin and his pinpoint cross to the backpost was bundled in by Fallon from a yard out which meant that Town had scored 3 goals in 20 minutes!

Cries of "We're going to win 4-3" rang out from the joyous away supporters' end of the ground but Billy Paynter almost silenced the Town fans with a fantastic strike from 25 yards which missed the Town goal by a matter of inches.

At the other end Town had a freekick deep in the 3 minutes of added time





which was taken by Gurney and as the ball went wide the Referee blew for full-time to seal an incredible fightback by Town and gain a valuable point in their quest for the play-offs.

PORT VALE:

Brain, Pilkington, Collins, Brisco, Cummins, Brooker(Birchall), McPhee, Bridge Wilkinson, Rowland, Paynter, James.

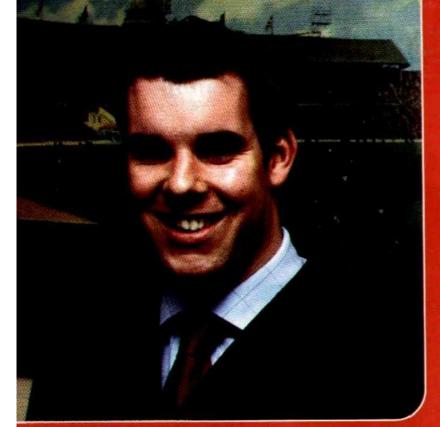
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SWINDON TOWN:

Evans, O'Hanlon, Gurney, Heywood, Nicholas, Igoe (Fallon), Hewlett, Miglioranzi, Duke (Howard), Mooney, Parkin

Subs: Griemink, Fallon, Howard, Reeves, Pook

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Chris Tanner

Football really is in the blood of Media Manager Chris Tanner as he was brought up on the game through his fathers long association with Fairford Town FC. But life could have been so different if he had chosen to pursue his hidden sporting talent.

Chris, 21, joined Swindon Town in October 2002 as Website Editor working under then Media Manager Nick Judd. A rapid promotion followed under a year later when Nick joined Manchester United and Chris took over his role as probably the youngest in this position in the league.

Having completed his A levels at Cheltenham College Chris chose to take a gap year before deciding where his long term future lay. This began with a charity cycle ride to Romania, which he describes as the best thing he's ever done, and then spent time in the USA.

Chris looked into the possibility of going to University in the States and playing American Football as a kicker for he has the longest kick in the country in his age group, having the ability to launch an oval ball a massive 63 metres. This

could also have seen him play professional rugby after being looked at by both Bath and Northampton and playing for Gloucestershire U20's.

But luckily for Swindon Town this friendly, likeable, hard working young man chose instead to join the club he has always supported.

On A Week Before A Home Game...

Thursday -

The main part of my role is planning and editing the matchday programme. This begins over a week before the game when I sit down and put together a detailed page planner showing an individual breakdown of every page. This is then emailed to Chris Clark at Dunwoody Sports Marketing who designs & produces the programme.

Friday -

I contact the various contributors to ensure that they will have their pieces done and back to me by the following Monday. This includes Tony Matthews who writes the visitors pages through to Viv Busby, Mark Devlin etc...

Monday / Tuesday -

I check through all the various features that will now have arrived by email, add the page numbers according to the planner and then forward these on to Chris Clark. I also run through the various photographs that will be used for this edition. These can be anything from mascots to match action shots.

Wednesday -

By now Dunwoody will begin emailing through proofs of the various sections of the programme for quality control checking. By the afternoon I will liase with Chris to start making any changes to the pages as a result of the proof reading. The pages are also printed off or emailed to the author for them to check.

Thursday -

This is the last chance to make any final alterations before I sign off the programme at around lunchtime. This means that I am happy with all the separate sections and the programme can go to the printers for printing.

Friday / Saturday -

The printers run off all the programmes and these are delivered to the club on the Saturday morning before the game in the afternoon.

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Dear Rocky,

I need your help quickly! My game has gone to pot and I don't know why? The wheels have really fallen off, I've lost my composure and I'm wondering if I will ever get it back.

Help me out, Rocky, I'm really desperate!

Tigger Woods

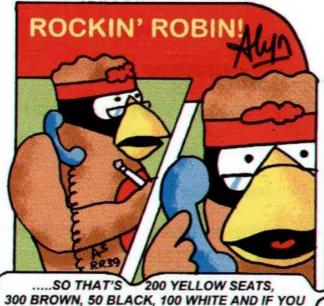
Tigg,

Well, being a bird of the feathered variety I'm not sure if I should be helping out a person of the feline persuasion. However, you seem like a pretty cool dude and a name that is far more sensible (and more pronounceable) than our own Porridge Harrington. I've been watching your game and have been amazed by your downturn, thrashing around in hedges and up to your nike armpits in the drink, shocking really. Or was that the last Swindon Town golf day, I forget. One thing I won't forget from that day was strolling up to the seventh tee with the resident professional. Now, the fairway runs alongside a road and I sliced the ball with the sort of skill that is not often seen on a golf course. The ball sailed into the road,

struck a motorcyclist right on the crash helmet, bouncing with some vigour into the windscreen of a passing bus, causing the bus to swerve wildly and crash into a juggernaut coming the opposite way, it's load spilling all over the road. Carnage. Another three cars and an ice cream van entered the pile up and an old lady fell off her bike with shock. As I stood there with the club still wrapped around my neck stricken with horror in a Norman Wisdom pose I managed eventually to get some words out... "What will I do?....What will I do?". The professional gave it some thought before turning to me and finally said "next time keep your hand a little further down the shaft" Boom Boom! When they finally let me back on the course a few months later, I was playing a round with a fellow golf fanatic... shall we call him Andy X... I yelled at the Gaffer, as he was taking an eternity to line up his first tee shot 'What's taking so long!!", he said "my wife is watching me from the clubhouse, so this needs to be a perfect shot". "Forget it" I said "you'll never hit her from down here!!".

What can I say Tigger.... keep on plugging away and your bounce will soon come back.

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Dick Mattick's VINTAGE RED

TODAY'S ILLUSTRATION IS FROM THE CENTRE SPREAD OF ONE OF THE OLDEST PROGRAMMES IN MY COLLECTION.

It is for the match played at Ashton Gate on 19th February 1949. The eightpage programme cost just 2 old pence. The only written article was Club Chatter by "Regular". It spread over two pages and contained information about some of the players in the match and two matches. The first was a friendly match that had seen Bristol City come from 5-1 down thanks to a hat trick by Len Townsend in front of a 6,000 crowd despite a hailstorm and heavy rain. The other match was the fixture with Swindon earlier in the season. Reference was also made to the match at the County Ground earlier in the season when City took a first half lead through Don Clark. The second half saw the tables turned with Town scoring twice through Morris Jones, one of which had seen him charge Frank Clack in the Bristol goal into the

net. Kaye returned to the Swindon team for the match having lost his place after the home game against Bristol and broken his ankle on his first outing in the Reserves. City suffered an early blow when Gay suffered an injury that forced him to take to the wing as a limping passenger. Despite this City enjoyed their fair share of the play but whenever they threatened the Town goal they found Burton in good form. Len Townsend gave the home side the lead after 53 minutes. He went down under a heavy challenge from Kaye and when Reg Griffiths the referee awarded a penalty he converted the spot kick himself. Maurice Owen levelled the scores. Positioning himself to receive a header from Tommy Dawson he shrugged off one challenge before bursting through the middle and beating the advancing keeper with a cleverly judged lob. A draw might have been a fair reflection of the play but a stroke of fortune gave Town the victory. Clack in the City goal seemed to be blinded by the sun as he misjudged a cross from

Jimmy Bain that struck an upright and found its way into the City net. It was the first double Swindon had achieved over City since joining the Football League. Unusually, the game was not watched by the City manager, Bob Hewison, who chose to watch the Reserve team playing at Swindon. R C E in his report gave much credit to Owen as being "a constant menace" and "not afraid to wander" while George Hudson a newcomer was judged as not as scientific as Ithell but having promise. It was the first time that Town had completed the double over City since they had joined the Football League.

Swindon ended the season in fourth place eleven points behind promoted Swansea Town who dropped just one point at home all season. Swindon scored 56 goals with Morris Jones (25) and Maurice Owen (17) leading the way. Bristol City endured a disappointing season finishing in 16th position with 36 points from 42 games.

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BRISTOL CITY

IT'S A BATTLE OF THE 'ROBINS' THIS AFTERNOON - BOTH TRYING TO FEATHER THEIR RESPECTIVE NESTS WITH PROMOTION TO THE FIRST DIVISION.

Without question today's encounter is a definite six-pointer and for Bristol City, who have been floundering of late - apart from last weekend's 1-0 win against fellow promotion candidates QPR- it is perhaps the most important game of the season in terms of them gaining the second of the two automatic promotion places.

Obviously everyone seems to have agreed that (unless something of disaster occurs) Plymouth Argyle will go up, probably as champions -but QPR, Bristol City, ourselves and perhaps Brighton & Hove Albion, are still seeking that vital runners-up spot. A play-off place for the two 'Robins' looks virtually assured, but with games fast running out, the result of the contest here today will certainly have a huge bearing on who will be chasing the Pilgrims home next month.

Bristol City, managed by the experienced Danny Wilson, finished third in the Division last season and then lost out in the play-offs to Cardiff City. In 2001-02 they had huffed and puffed before claiming seventh place, missing the play-offs by five points after lying sixth with five games to go. And prior to that the Ashton Gate club had ended up in ninth spot two seasons running.

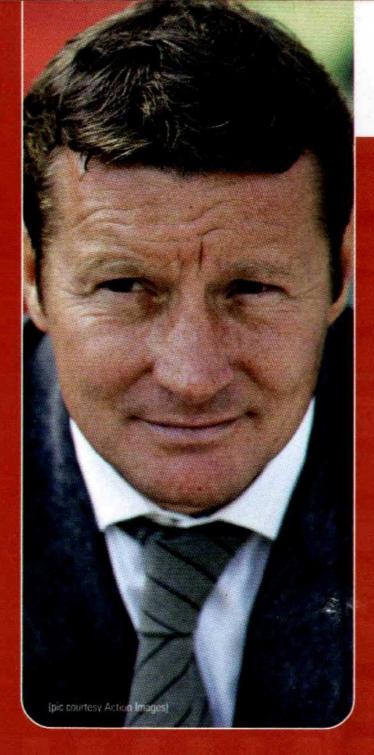
Potentially a well-supported club with an average home attendance of around 12,000, so far this season City have been there or thereabouts in the promotion race.

But results of late have been moderate and from looking odds-on favourites to win an automatic promotion place not so long back, did their chances no harm at all with last Saturday's home win over QPR.

Wilson, though, is quietly confident that his players can rise to the occasion over the next few weeks and collect enough points to see them win promotion...only time will tell.

On their travels so far this term
City have registered an even set of
results. They have won seven, lost
seven and drawn six of their 20
games so far, and after today they
have to travel to Barnsley and
Luton Town, both of whom are still
play-off contenders. Their three
remaining home games are
against Blackpool, Brighton and
Plymouth, the latter in three days
time - and what a crunch game
that could be.

Eighty-four points might be enough to secure second place (even 82) so there is still a lot of football to be played before the final curtain comes down....it will be tense for all concerned - players, managers and indeed supporters. It should be a full house here today for the 'Clash of the Robins'....and it will be a cracker.



THE GAFFER DANNY WILSON

As a midfield player between 1976 and 1995, Danny Wilson made well over 650 senior appearances while serving, in turn, with Wigan Athletic, Bury, Chesterfield, Nottingham Forest, Scunthorpe United, Brighton, Luton Town, Sheffield Wednesday and Barnsley. He also won 24 full caps for

Northern Ireland and was a League Cup winner with during his time at Hillsborough (under boss Ron Atkinson). Now aged 44, he later managed two of his former clubs, the Owls and Barnsley, and took over the reins at Ashton Gate in June 2000, leading City to victory in the LDV Vans Trophy Final of 2003.

DANGERMAN SCOTT MURRAY



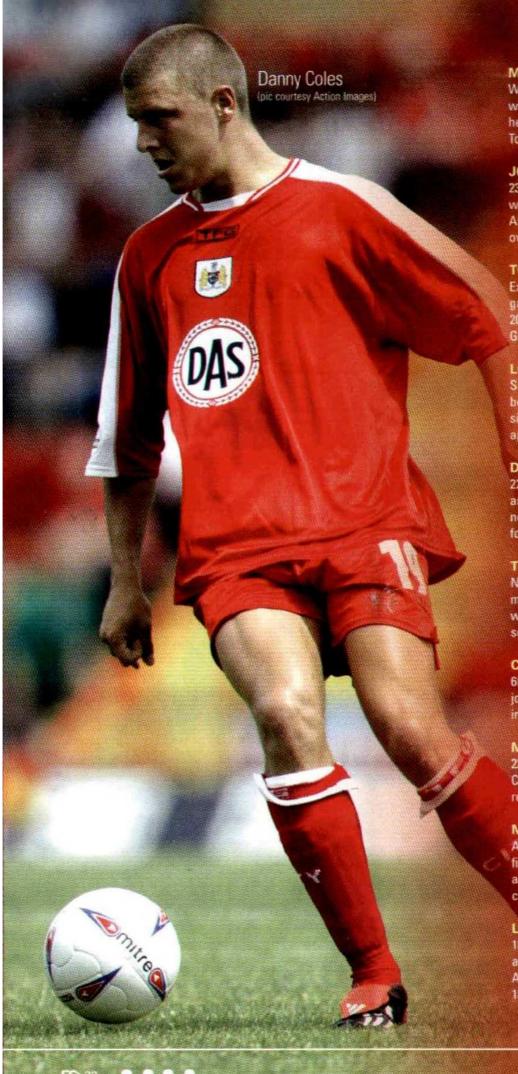
Popular right winger who was a transfer deadline day signing from Reading in March 2004, signing a three-year deal as he returned for a second spell at the club with whom he scored 61 goals in 271 games between 1997-2003. He first arrived at Ashton Gate in a £150,000 transfer from Aston Villa in December 1997 and enjoyed his best season to date in 2002/03 when he netted 26 goals and was voted Player Of The Season by the Supporters Club after City lifted the LDV Vans Trophy and finished third in Division Two. Capped by Scotland at B level, he started his career with Fraserburgh before moving to Aston Villa in a £35,000 deal in March 1994. Despite a £650,000 transfer to the Madejski Stadium in the summer 2003, he fell out of favour after manager Alan Pardew left to join West Ham

DID YOU KNOW?

When Bristol City sold future England international centre-forward Roy Bentley to Newcastle United in 1946, the two clubs could not agree to the transfer fee -£8,000 or £8,500 - so the respective chairmen tossed a coin and United saved themselves £500!

LAST MEETING HERE

The corresponding League fixture between the clubs here at The County Ground last season (played on 19 March 2003) resulted in a 1-1 draw, Mark Robins (City) and Sam Parkin scoring the respective goals in the second-half in front of 8,629 spectators.



MICKEY BELL

Wing-back, seven years at the club, with 300 appearances to his name, he was previously with Northampton Town and Wycombe Wanderers.

JOE BURNELL

23 year-old Bristol-born midfielder who has been a professional at Ashton Gate since 1999, and has over 150 appearances to his credit.

TONY BUTLER

Experienced centre-half (over 400 games played) signed from WBA in 2002, having previously served with Gillingham, Blackpool and Port Vale.

LOUIS CAREY

Scottish Under-21 defender who has been with City since 1993 and a 'pro' since 1995, has over 350 appearances in his locker.

DANNY COLES

22 year-old central defender, signed as a professional in 2000 who has now amassed over 100 appearances for the Robins.

TOMMY DOHERTY

Northern Ireland international midfielder, signed full-time in 1997 who has now accumulated over 175 senior appearances for the club.

CLAYTON FORTUNE

6ft 3in defender from London who joined City from Tottenham Hotspur in 2001...dangerous at set pieces.

MARC GOODFELLOW

22 year-old striker, signed from Stoke City last year after becoming surplus to requirements at The Britannia Stadium.

MATT HILL

Although only 5ft 7ins tall, he has been five years a professional at the club, and has appeared in over 180 first-class games as a left-sided defender.

LEROY LITA

18 year-old London-born striker, fast and tricky who has been a 'pro' at Ashton Gate just over a year. He made 18 substitute appearances last term.

THE CITY SQUAD

DARREN CASKEY

Creative midfielder signed from Notts County on deadline day this year. Previously with Spurs and Reading.

LEE PEACOCK

Ex-Carlisle, Mansfield and Manchester city striker who has scored over 50 goals in more than 150 games for City since joining for £600,000 in 2000.

STEVE PHILLIPS

Goalkeeper, signed from Paulton Rovers in 1996 who has now played in well over 200 games for the Robins, being an ever-present last season.

CHRISTIAN ROBERTS

Welsh Youth and Under-21 international striker, previously with Cardiff City and Exeter City, he joined the Robins two years ago.

TONY ROUGIER

Trinidad & Tobagan international midfielder, 14st in weight, ex-Raith, Hibernian, Port Vale, Reading and Brighton who joined City on deadline day.

MIKE STOWELL

Veteran goalkeeper who had 448 games for Wolves before joining City in 2001; formerly with Everton, Preston, York, Chester and others.

BRIAN TINNION

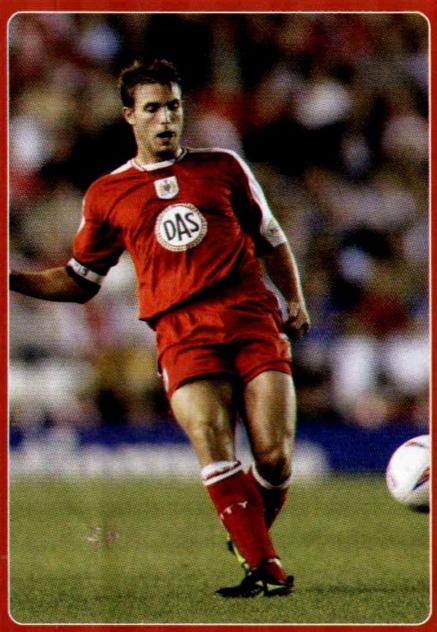
Midfielder with a terrific left-foot; eleven years with City, ex-Newcastle and Bradford who has now amassed over 650 appearances as a 'pro.

LUKE WILKSHIRE

Australian Youth and Under-23 international, ex-Middlesbrough (24 games) who joined City last year to bolster the midfield.

CRAIG WOODMAN

Left-back from Tiverton, North Devon, who joined City as a professional four years ago - now a regular in the side.



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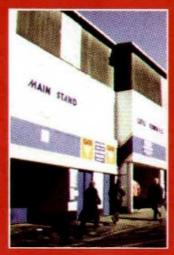
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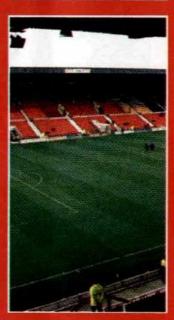
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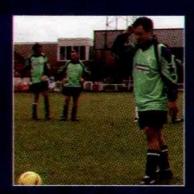












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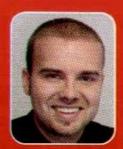
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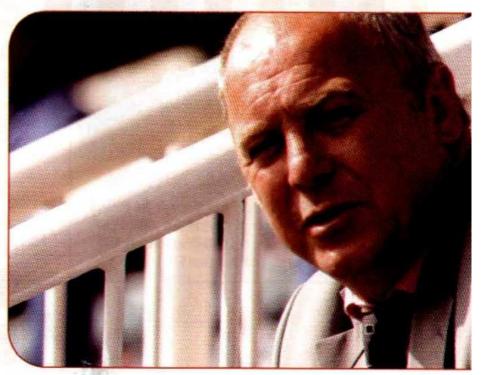


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Today's match is obviously extra special for one member of the Town camp, skipper Matt Hewlett. As a Bristol lad and former City player, I'm sure it would mean the world to



him to captain Swindon to victory at the County Ground. As I pen these notes (on Monday afternoon) there is still some doubt over whether he will be fit enough to make it. I really hope he does as he was clearly missed at London Road last week. The likes of Tommy Mooney, Sammy Igoe and Rhys Evans have rightly earned plaudits for their respective contributions this season but Matt. who has not always been appreciated by sections of the crowd, has flourished this season, since being handed the captaincy. Let's hope his final task of the season is to collect a trophy at the Millennium Stadium and raise it aloft in triumph. We are so close to the finish line now and it is going to take

one last huge effort from players and supporters to get us to where we want to be.

The manager did not mince his words after the Posh defeat and challenged his players to stand up and be counted. We'll have a fair idea of how they reacted at 4.45pm today. Whether it's joy, satisfaction or despair today, there will be no time to dwell on it. An Easter Monday date with Luton Town beckons. Remember the fixture down here in October? I just pray that it isn't the same referee. Enjoy today's game, Happy Easter from all at Adver Towers and see you back here for the clash with Oldham Athletic on April 24.



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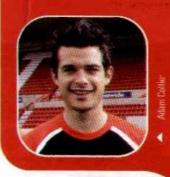
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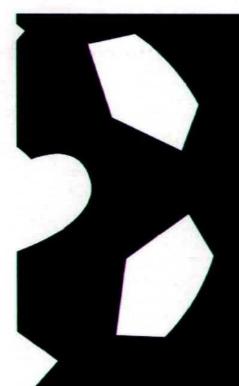
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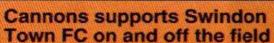






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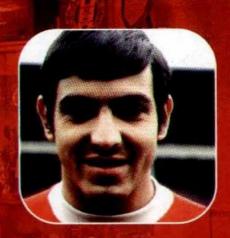
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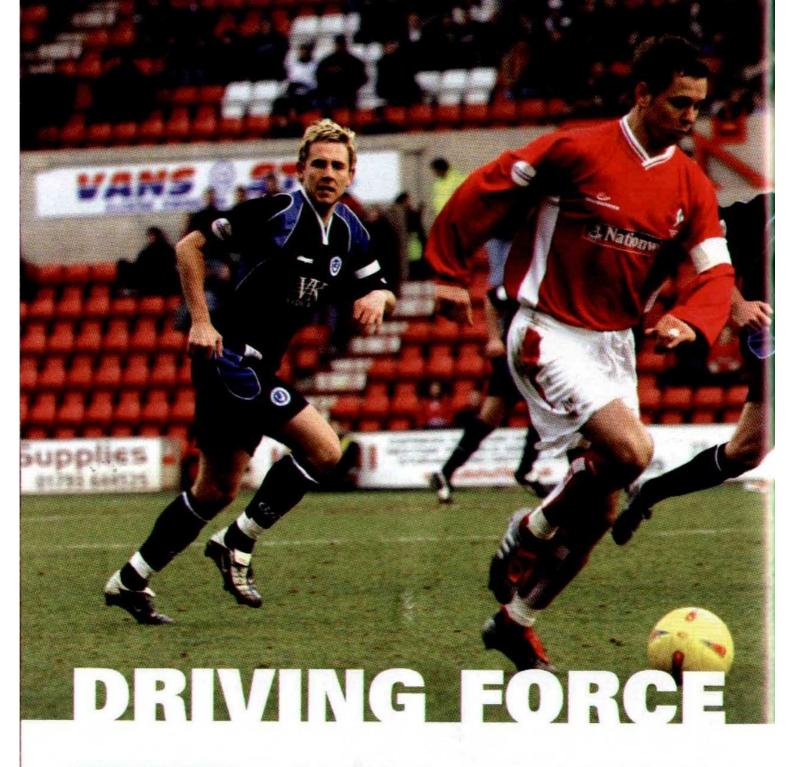


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SINCE TAKING OVER THE CAPTAIN'S ARMBAND FROM ANDY GURNEY, MATT HEWLETT HAS NOT LOOKED BACK. IN FACT, THE SAME COULD BE SAID OF HIS ATTITUDE SINCE JOINING FROM TODAY'S VISITORS FOUR YEARS AGO.

The 28-year old has been a regular in the heart of Town's engine room this season and Robin's fans are perhaps seeing the best of the former Bristol City man this time around. Since coming in for criticism last season and struggling with a niggling injury,

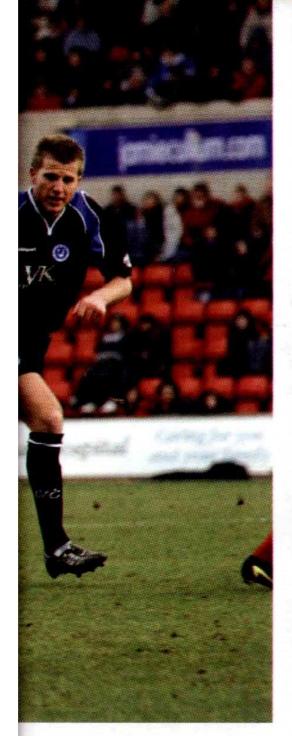
Hewlett returned early for pre-season training and that extra work has paid off with the midfielder playing a pivotal role in Town's fortunes this term.

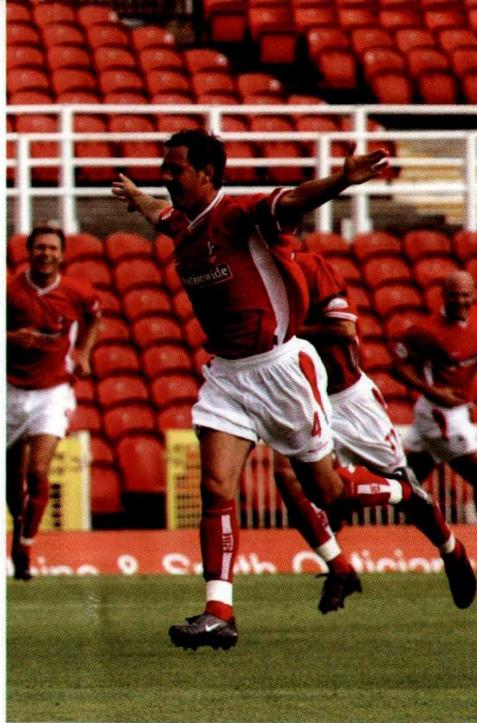
"Personally, it was something that I had to do. I came in a week before and it definitely helped. I did a bit of gym work and with my knee trouble in previous seasons, I thought it would prepare me better for the season ahead and I think I have benefited from it." Perhaps the key period in Hewlett's season came in December. Having been relegated to the bench for the first time in his Town career at Griffin Park and

subsequently missing the defeat at Rushden, Hewlett returned afresh for the home encounter with Brighton on 28 December.

"I was disappointed to be dropped, but I think you can take it in two ways. Either you sit and sulk or take a look at yourself and figure out what you can do to be better as a player. I had a look at my game and having got back into the side, made the most of my chances.

Off the pitch, life is settled for Matt. Living in Bristol, he makes the short trip up to training with teammate





Andy Gurney. So what has the atmosphere been like at training ahead of today's game?

"I think the team spirit has been great, we had a bad run but now we can take heart from the game at Vale Park. In the past I don't think we would have come back from that. The spirit is there and we have the quality within the squad and that is why we are where we are at this stage of the season. The City game is one that we have all been looking forward to."

Having made the move from Ashton Gate to The County Ground in July

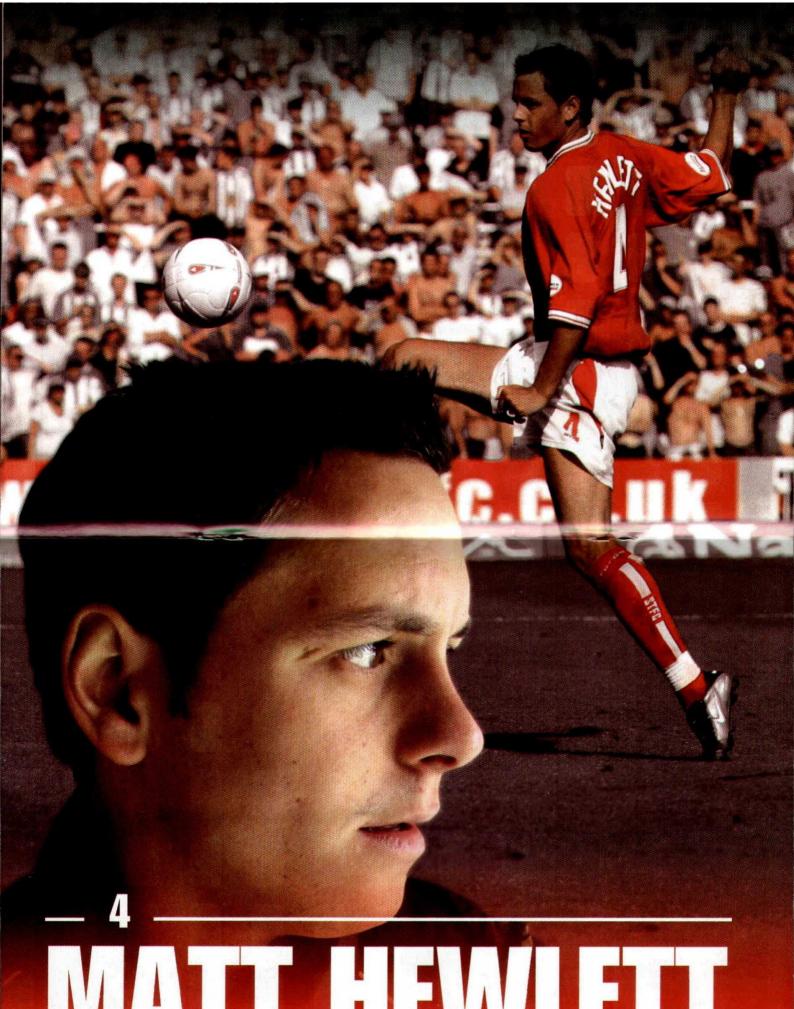
2000, the former England youth teamer has flourished under the guidance of Town boss Andy King, who only last week acknowledged the player as a vital cog in his Town machine.

King said: "He has been our best player in recent weeks. The boy has been fantastic. You talk about determination, work ethic and an attitude to win football matches, well Matty personifies that. As Captain, he has been a leader and led from the front. He has set the standards for the rest of them."

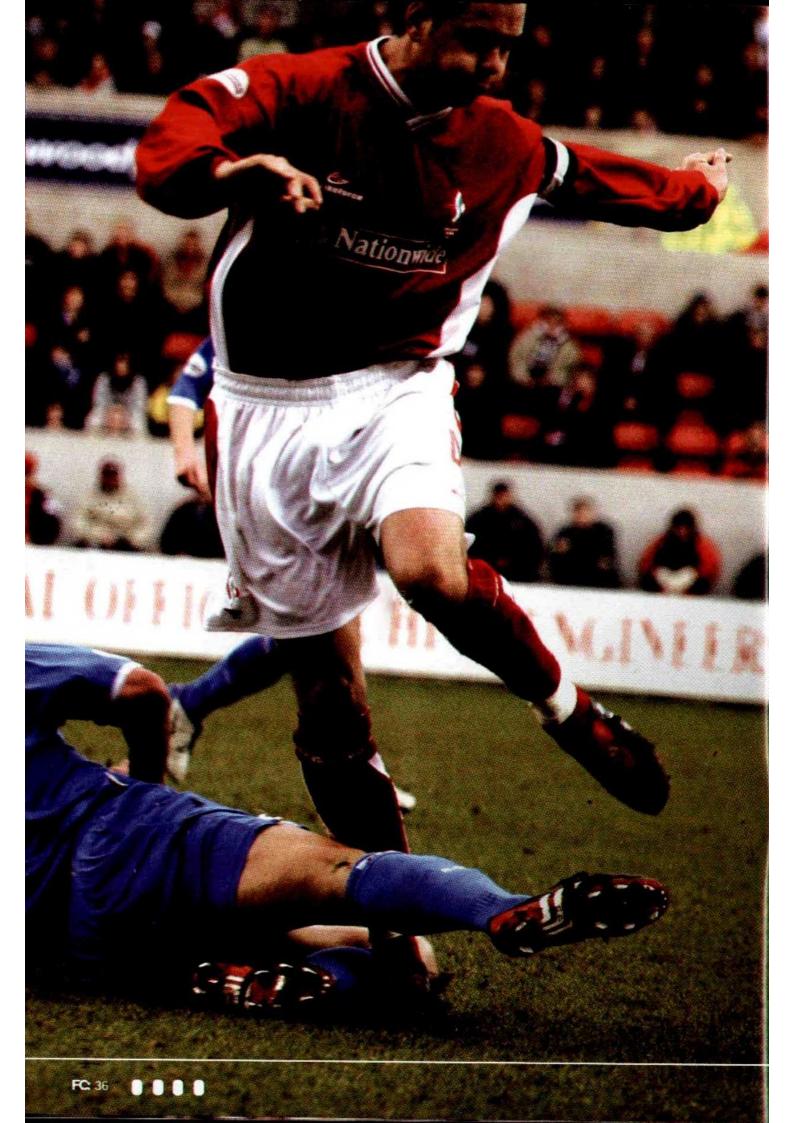
Hewlett looks back on his time at Bristol City with good memories, but he is well aware that future success can be achieved here at The County Ground.

"I had eight good years at Ashton Gate, with some happy times there, one of them winning promotion to the first division and I played over 150 games for City.

"It was a good time but the time came to move on and I am pleased with the way things are going here now as we are looking at the top of the table, rather than battling for relegation.



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The last few seasons have been pretty much the same for Bristol City. They have been a strong Second Division side and came so close to going up last time but are up the top of the table this time around. The play-offs can be a bit of a lottery and they will be doing their best to make sure of promotion and got a good win at Ashton Gate last weekend against QPR.

Having played in the corresponding fixture in October of last year at Ashton Gate, Town's stand-in Captain acknowledges that despite a good first half, Town were hindered by injuries in their last battle with the Robins.

"The first half we played quite well and went in with a lead but they got a goal after the break and it went from there. We didn't have a full side out and I think Sam Parkin missed the game as well. This Saturday we should be able to test ourselves and give them a good game."

This game needs no build-up. Players, fans, staff and everyone connected with Swindon Town have been eagerly anticipating the visit of Danny Wilson's men. Hewlett needs no reminding of the importance of this afternoon's clash, knowing that the outcome will play a major part in the destiny of both Town and City this season.

With the games on the Saturday and the Monday the table could have a different look to it. We need the win to keep us in the mix and there is no better way to do it than beat your local rivals.

With results going the way they are it is difficult to say but we need to win a few more yet to be secure of a play-off place. The main priority is to bounce back from the defeat at Peterborough and get back onto a run."

"It is a massive game - absolutely crucial," he said. One thing is for sure. If Matt Hewlett takes his place in the midfield today, the hopes of all Town fans rest on determined shoulders.



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SWINDON TOWN'S RESERVE SIDE WERE BEATEN 1-0 IN THE PONTINS HOLIDAY COMBINATION LEAGUE AT THE COUNTY GROUND ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Blair Sturrock struck in the 70th minute when he slammed home into the roof of the net after a Nathan Lowndes shot had been parried by Matt Bulman in the Swindon goal.

A game of little chances was dominated by Argyle's ability to keep the ball on the floor and with the likes of international Toni Capaldi, Nathan Lowndes and Martin Phillips all looking dangerous; goal-scoring opportunities were always likely to come about.

Matt Bulman was kept busy in the first half when he denied Marcus Martin and Martin Phillips in quick sucession.

Martin was denied as Bulman tipped his long-range chip over the bar early on and seconds later the young Town stopper rushed out to deny Martin Phillips at the near post.

Town's best opportunity fell to Ben Martin as he led the line for Town in the first half. Jon Stevenson found Martin unmarked 16 yards out but his shot curled wide of the right hand post as The Robins looked to edge in front.

The second half saw little in terms of goalscoring chances until Sturrock stepped up to give Argyle the late on in the second half.

Town included two trialists Brian Moogan and Robert Booth from Premiership Everton.

SWINDON TOWN:

Matt Bulman, Brian Moogan, Ian Oliver, Michael Pook, Dave Bampton, Kyle Lapham, Robert Booth, Ben Martin, Jon Stevenson, Grant Smith

Subs: Chris Taylor (Martin), Justin McKay (Booth), Lance Lewis, Leigh Henry, Ashan Holgate (Lapham)

PLYMOUTH ARGYLE:

Romain Larrieu, David Worrell, Gary Sawyer, Marcus Martin, Matt Villis, Hasney Aljofree, Martin Phillips, Jason Bent, Nathan Lowndes, Blair Sturrock, Tony Capaldi.

Subs: Brinton Nute, Luke Summerfield (Martin), Dean Evans (Sturrock)

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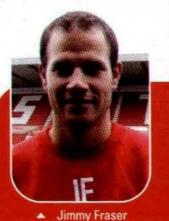
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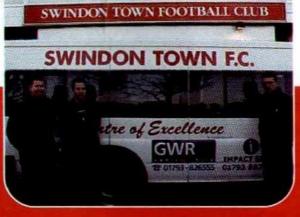
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It is currently a very tough time for all involved in the STFC Youth Department. We have to make our decisions on what is called our retain and release list for next season. Basically this means all the information collated this year regarding players training sessions and games performances are reviewed by our coaching staff and myself and we make a decision as to whether we can offer another one or two years registration to our current players. We want to be cautious and make what we think are honest decisions, not only for the football club but for, most importantly, the players themselves.

The biggest thing we have to take into consideration is the potential of these players. For example the best U10 player at this moment in time won't necessarily make a professional footballer. All things come into consideration such as growth spurts,

which can play a massive part in a player's development. There are some players who develop physically faster than others, but there are also some players who may develop late, but at the most important stage. All players need to be notified by the third Saturday in April, when we will make in our opinion, the right decisions. We wish all of our players, who whether they are resigned or released, all the best for next season.

On the Scholarship situation for next season, we trialled seven U16 players in the U17 game at the weekend and the same seven plus one more, took part in a trial game versus Cardiff City this week. Some of these players have put in very encouraging performances and have been invited back during the Easter holidays in the hope that we can give them a decision on their potential futures at Swindon Town.

Last weekend's games saw us play Luton Town are a team that we do not come up against on a regular

basis and it is always good to play different sides. I watched our U14/15 team, who could well figure as our Milk Cup team this summer, put in a mixed performance. This was the first time that the two age groups had played together, so it will take time for them to gel as a unit but we do have plenty of time until the Milk Cup Tournament in the summer.

All of the players will continue to be coached during the Easter Holidays, with our U12's playing Amesbury Sports next week and our U11's and U15's playing against Tranmere Rovers, which will be a very tough test for the players, but one we look forward to.

Next weekend we play Portsmouth and I will bring you the results of these games in the next home programme.

Enjoy the game.

Jimmy Fraser.

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WE MEET AGAIN...

Howard Pritchard

ONE OF THE MANY PLAYERS WHO HAVE APPEARED FOR BOTH OF THE ROBIN'S TEAMS ON SHOW THIS AFTERNOON WAS WINGER HOWARD PRITCHARD WHO WAS BORN IN CARDIFF IN OCTOBER 1958

Completing an apprenticeship at Ashton Gate, he signed as a full professional for City in September 1978 and joined a team who were playing in the elite division of England, and he could have hardly started better.

Making his debut in an unusual number four shirt, Howard played in the 1-0 win at Aston Villa that elevated City to fifth in Division One. His only appearance that season, Howard started to make his presence felt with 16 outings the following year, a season which also brought a couple of goals in the FA Cup.

The early eighties was a painful era for both clubs in action today, and in May 1980 City lost their First Division place. Worse was to come when City joined rivals Bristol Rovers in relegation to Division Three 12 months later, and if Howard thought a move to Swindon might change his luck he was to be rudely awakened.

Signing for Town in August 1981 after 38 League appearances and two League goals for City, two substitute appearances followed before he

made his first start for Town in a 2-0 loss at Lincoln on 28th November. Swindon were to finish third from bottom of Division Three, joining Bristol City in relegation as City completed the slide from Division One to Four in successive seasons. Howard's only goal of the season came in Swindon's 3-0 defeat of City at Ashton Gate in April.

In 1982/83 Swindon recorded an eighth place finish and Pritchard contributed a very healthy ten goals to finish third top scorer behind Paul Rideout and Andy Rowland. Two of the ten came in matches with City, and Howard's last Town goal was recorded in his last Town match, the last game of 1982/83 that brought a 2-0 win at Ashton Gate.

So in August 1983 and after over 60 appearances he chose to move back to Bristol to re-join the team who finished six places lower, and this time Howard seems to have made the right transfer decision.

Grabbing fourth place in the spring of 1984, City climbed out of the basement and Howard was to have three seasons of top-half finishes in the Third Division at Ashton Gate.

A move in September 1987 took him to Gillingham where after a season of mid-table obscurity, the Gills suffered the curse of Pritchard by being relegated to Division Four. Howard wasn't there to share the pain though. In March 1989 he had moved on to Walsall in Division Two who were themselves quickly relegated two months later.

On 18th October 1989 he made the trip to Maidstone, new entrants to the Football League, who were en route to finishing fifth in Division Four. His contract was cancelled in 1990/91 after 33 appearances and six goals.

Over the course of more than 430 games in which he scored 67 goals, the sides for which Howard played had a worrying propensity for getting relegated. The happy exception of the promotion year of 1983/84 while in his second spell with today's visitors City can't mask the fact that Howard suffered demotion five times with four different clubs.

He even appears to have jinxed two clubs in one season when he served both Gillingham and Walsall in 1988/89 and both team lost their status.

The highlight of his career could well have been his call up to the Welsh international team in 1985. After winning Welsh youth team honours he gained a full Welsh cap, coming on as a substitute in a 1-1 draw at Wrexham on February 1985 against Norway.

Dave Wallis

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Yes folks, the race is well and truly under way to find the Fans' Players of the Year, in all divisions, for 2004
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Following the announcement of our March players of the month earlier in the week, the shortlists for the overall Player of the Year prizes are complete and now the choice is yours.

Last year's winner Thierry Henry and the young man you named as the first ever PFA Fans' Player of the Year in 2001, Steven Gerrard, are again in the running for the Premiership award.

But they will face stiff competition from such established Premiership stars as Alan Shearer and Paul Scholes, as well as young guns Alan Smith and Frank Lampard.

Last year's First Division player of the year was Portsmouth's Linvoy Primus, but where will this year's award be heading?

This week Norwich's Darren Huckerby was named player of the month for March and he's now challenging the likes of Andy Reid, Geoff Horsfield and Andrew Johnson for the main title.

The voting is hotting up in the lower divisions too where the search is on to find the successors to 2003 winners Robert Earnshaw (Div Two) and Leon Britton (Div Three).

All the monthly winners are fisted below so get voting for your favourite now and you could be joining the stars at the PFA Player of the Year extravaganza. See details below

THE MONTHLY WINNERS ARE:

SECOND DIVISION

September: Tommy Mooney (Swindon)

October: Terry Cooke (Sheff Wed)

November: Stephen McPhee (Port Vale)

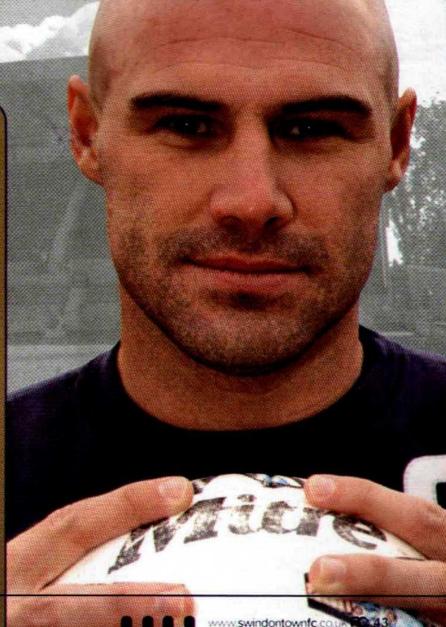
December: Martin Rowlands (QPR)

January: Adrian Forbes (Luton)

February: Neil Moss (Bournemouth)

March: Tommy Doherty (Bristol City)

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OOH SHAUN TAYLOR

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A real fans favourite at both Ashton Gate and the County Ground he pulled on a Town shirt 212 times before making over 100 appearances for City in a career that saw his no nonsense never-say-die attitude paraded at the highest level.

Ooh Shaun Taylor took time out of his busy role as City Development Coach to talk to Sports Reporter Simon Coy and reflected on a successful term so far for both teams. He began by explaining the expectation at Bristol City following the near success last season.

'As a coach and talking on the players behalf we always felt after last season, just missing out and losing to Cardiff in the play-offs, we were going to be one of the favourites to be in the position we're in now. We would have taken this at the beginning of the season if we knew then that this is where we would be now.'

I know it sounds obvious but because we are all playing each other now these games are going to be the ones that decide the final positions. We played QPR last week, Swindon this

weekend and have Plymouth next Tuesday. It bodes well for an interesting end to the season."

The recent run of 11 successive wins meant that confidence was sky high at the Ashton Gate club as they surged up to top spot.

"I've been part of similar runs as a player and you can't wait for the next game with the intention that you know you're going to win those games. Ironically, it came as brutal blow to lose at Sheffield Wednesday in the last minute to end the run. On that performance we felt we could have carried on the run as we played as well as we had done in all of the other games."

Turning to his former club Taylor feels that Swindon have done well to keep up with the pace set by City.

Being an ex-player I still have a lot of affection for Swindon. I've felt that they've just kept sticking in there. We ve got to be aware of the front two. The majority of the goals have come from either Tommy Mooney or Sam Parkin and it's the one threat that we've got to nullify when we play them.

Our assistant manager went to watch Swindon recently at Port Vale and I think this season they've got a real chance. Being 3-0 down it takes a massive achievement to come back and get something out of a game and possibly at the end maybe try and win

it. If you've got that in your locker anything can happen. Recently the home form has kept the club in there but to pick up an away point at Port Vale is a good result.

City have had a big lift in the last two weeks with the return of the influential Scott Murray on deadline day.

"It's been a massive boost. He was well respected and well liked here and for us to have the opportunity for him to come back has given the place a lift and for the run in its really helped us. Tony Rougier and Darren Caskey have also come in. We just needed some extra bodies in the squad as we've lost some influential players such as Aaron Brown who is out for the rest of the season. We've not really stuttered but we've had a few injuries and bringing Scott in has lifted the club a lot."

Shaun feels that automatic promotion is the goal for City but if it isn't achieved then a play-off final between Swindon and Bristol City at Cardiff is a mouthwatering prospect.

"At the moment we're all obviously focussed on finishing either first or second. We've got to get some points to get into those positions because we're just off it at present. But we also need to get a run of results in case Plymouth and QPR's run is such a good one that we cant catch them, so we can then go into the play-offs as the form team."

"If it came to a final between the two clubs it would be unbelievable. If that scenario came along I've always said that although I also support Swindon I've been here at Bristol City quite a few years now. I hope the Swindon supporters understand that I have to think about the job in hand and I hope it would be a great final but that we would go through as we were so close last season."

With an affection for both clubs and having played all his football in the West Country Shaun is pleased to see such a resurgence in the fortunes of the two teams and wants both sets of supporters to enjoy the game today.

"The rivalry between the fans is quite big and I hope that the atmosphere is a good one. I'm looking forward to it and I know the players will as well. Its good that both teams are at the right end of the league and striving to get into the First Division. That brings a smile to my face as well as both the Swindon and the Bristol City supporters."

"Swindon are hoping that the better days are here and I hope that they are. They have suffered and I've been there when the crowds have been poor and it seems now that they ve turned the corner and are on a high again which is nice. The ideal scenario would be for us to finish either first or second and Swindon to get into the play-offs and win the final."





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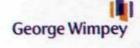
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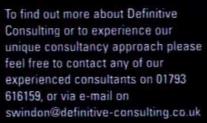












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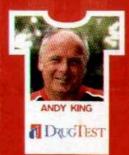
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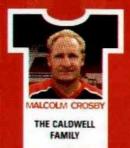


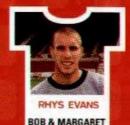
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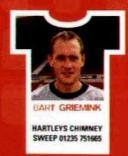
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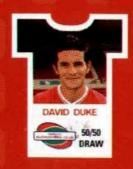


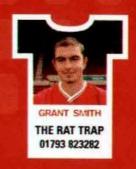
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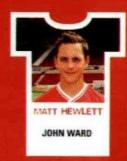




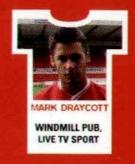


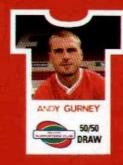


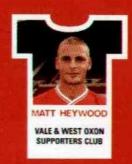


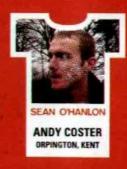


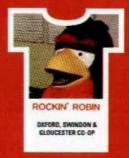








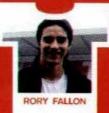




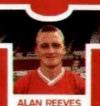




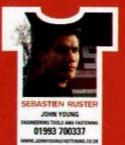
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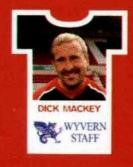


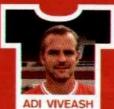
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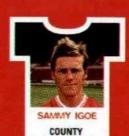
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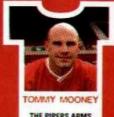


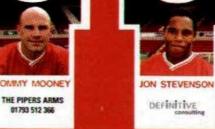


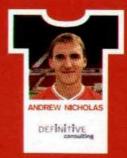
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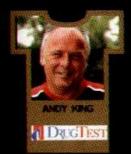


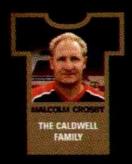
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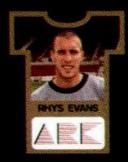


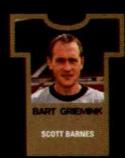


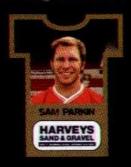




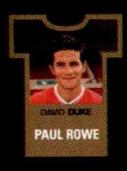


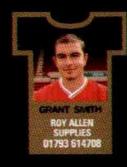


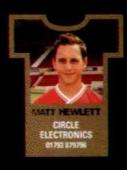


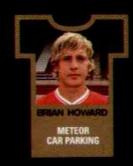




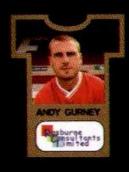


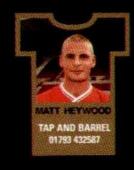


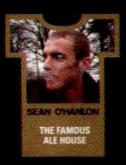


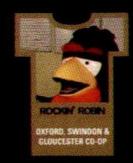


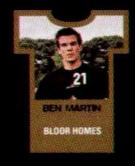


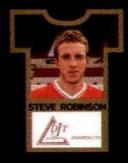






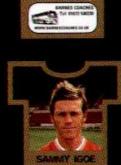


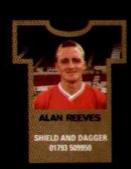


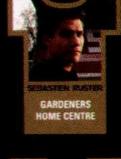


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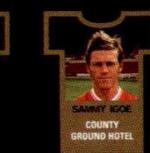
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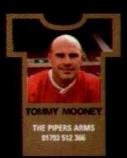


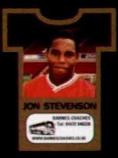


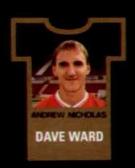












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IVOR CELEBRATION

Pictured here is lifelong Town fan Ivor Pearce, who was 90 on March 23rd. He is seen here during the home encounter with Peterborough when he was mascot on his 83rd birthday.

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 27th March, Town travelled to Bury where they recorded a 1-0 win through a goal by Andy Rowland. Replacing striker Alan Mayes after 84 minutes was a man making his 848th Town appearance. Who?
- 2) Which ex-Town player left QPR to join Everton in a straight swap with Mick Walsh on transfer deadline day 1979?
- 3) Everton also spent £150,000 on a striker from Manchester City. He had previously been a Manchester United European Cup final scorer and later returned to Old Trafford in a coaching capacity. Who?
- 4) At the beginning of April 1979, Town played Exeter twice in a week. At right back for City in both games was a man who later joined Swindon Town. Who?
- 5) Andy Rowland scored in the 1-1 draw at home and also scored in the 2-1 win at St James' Park. Which future Town assistant manager scored Town's first goal, his 15th of the season?

A1 John Trollope A2 Peter Eastoe A3 Brian Kidd A4 John Templeman A5 Chic Bates



SWINDON TOWN

FOCUS ON A FAN

NAME: Tom Nicholls

AGE: 18

OCCUPATION: Student

LIVES: Cheltenham, Gloucestershire

WHEN DID YOU FIRST COME TO SEE SWINDON TOWN: v Port Vale at the County Ground, August 1998. Gareth Hall equalised in a 1-1 draw

BEST STFC MEMORY: Iffy Onuora's last minute winner on Boxing Day '98 v Wolves, as my dad is a Wolves fan and was at the game. Beating promotion hopefuls Blackburn and Fulham at home in the 1999-2000 season, victories made sweeter by the horrible season we were having (last in division 1). Finally, the moving words of Jimmy Davis' mother before the Notts County game, and the subsequent 4-0 victory. Hopefully all of these will be surpassed by promotion in May.

HOPES FOR THIS SEASON: At the start of the season I would have said playoffs, but now I think we can go up automatically. Beat Bristol City-if not today, then hopefully in Cardiff.

YOUR LONG TERM HOPES FOR THE CLUB: Become a stable 1st division club, keep this squad together, especially some of the promising young players, improve the financial situation (promotion should help) and challenge for the Premiership.

IF MONEY WERE NO OBJECT WHO WOULD YOU WANT TO SEE PLAYING FOR SWINDON: Steven Gerrard would add class, control and leadership in midfield, and would score goals. Allesandro Nesta would add strength and stability at the back, where I think we need most improvement.

YOUR MESSAGE TO THE FANS: Get attendances back to the 5-figure level we had against Sheffield Wednesday and QPR. Keep the support positive; it does make a real difference. Make sure you out-sing the City fans today.

YOUR MESSAGE TO THE PLAYERS: Give 100% effort and we will go up. Keep playing attacking football, and the crowd will support you. Go all out for the automatic promotion places.

THE DAYS!

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





NAME: John Gebhardt

QUALIFICATIONS:

John first saw Town play at Loftus Road in the FA Cup third round defeat to QPR in January 1993 after making friends with Swindon fan and now club Sports Reporter Simon Coy whilst working together in his home town of Ashford, Kent. BT Engineer John, 38, manages to attend a few games each season home and away travelling up from the garden of England but his fondest memories are of the promotion season of 1992/93.

"The day at Wembley was a fantastic one that I'll never forget. The view coming back down the motorway of all the people on the bridges was amazing," he says.

Since his conversion to a Swindon supporter over eleven years ago John had proudly followed Town to a host of Premiership and Nationwide league grounds including both Sheffield clubs, Anfield, Old Trafford, Southend, Barnsley and Grimsby on a cold Tuesday night.

John has made the journey down to Wiltshire today in the hope of seeing Swindon win the big local derby. "I think we'll get a play-off place this season and feel that we are the best team in the places at present. We have a good tradition in the play-offs and I hope we make it through to the final and ultimately Division One."

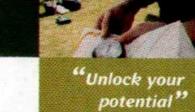
- FRASER DIGBY: A top goalkeeper who kept us in the play-offs at Tranmere (or so he says). Current England Masters number one.
- 2. DAVID KERSLAKE: Nothing spectacular but as reliable as sin. Deserved his big move to Leeds United.

- 3. COLIN CALDERWOOD: This man was coolness personified. Unflappable when backs were against the wall.
- 4. SHAUN TAYLOR: Always first to put his head in when it mattered. A good foil for Calderwood's brain.
- PAUL BODIN: Vastly underrated. After scoring THAT penalty he missed one for Wales. Always good going forward.
- 6. JOHN MONCUR: Out of position slightly but a class act anywhere, even against Monsieur Cantona remember?
- MICKY HAZARD: A rare talent. Had the ability to deceive everybody and anybody. Saw him at a charity game a few years ago - still a class act.
- GLENN HODDLE: A privilege to watch this man.
 Could turn a game on its head. Those who were at Birmingham over ten years ago to watch a 6-4 win will agree.
- 9. KEVIN HORLOCK: Went on to grace many a Premiership pitch and rightly so. Fantastic left foot at set pieces and knew where the net was.
- 10. CRAIG MASKELL: Arguably the best forward we've ever had. There are two goals I will always remember. One at Tranmere in the play-offs walked round the keeper and our greatest ever goal off the post at Wembley - a legend.
- 11. TOMMY MOONEY: To the present day. He looks hard, plays mean, has played at the top level and it shows. Andy King's best acquisition.

SUBS: Martin Ling, Ian Culverhouse, Duncan Shearer

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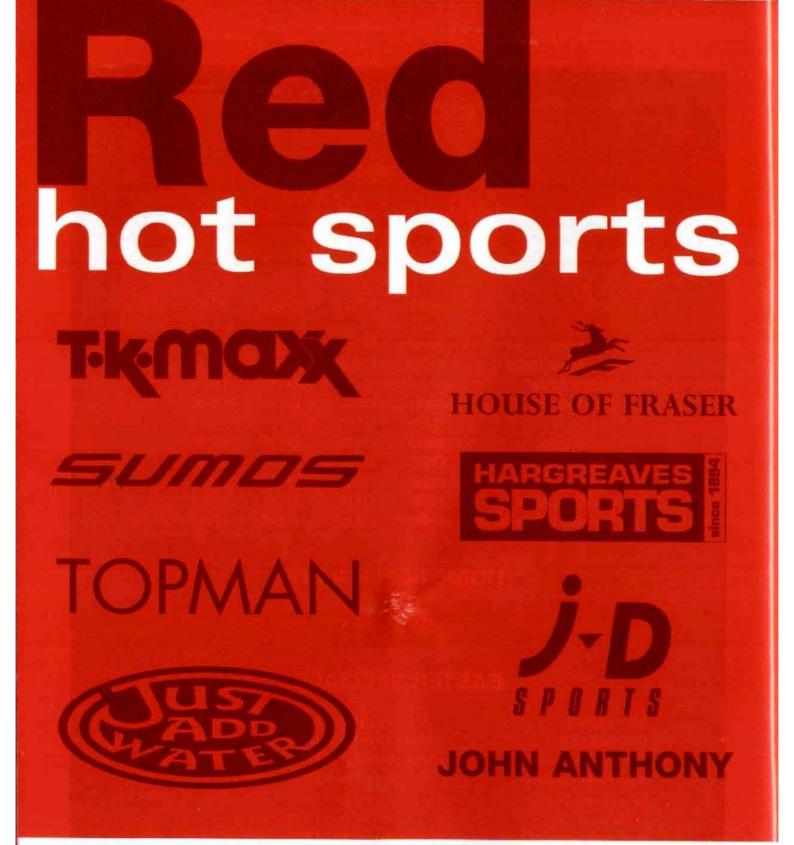
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THE AWAY TRAVEL SPONSORED HALF TIME DRAW.

Another fantastic response from fans took the prize to £502, another Saturday record for us. The winning ticket numbered 345. But where is the winner? At the time of writing these notes the winner is not known. It may be that they are planning to bring their ticket today, but do check your tickets - IT COULD BE YOU! Further update in our next notes.

VALE OF WHITE HORSE AND OXON GROUP.

Held an evening Social event for fans, attended by Malcolm Crosby, Jimmy Fraser and the groups own sponsored player Matt Heywood. Around 50 fans involved themselves in a lively formal and informal question and answer sessions rounded off by raffle and auction, which raised several hundred pounds for the groups funds.

SUPPORTERS CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Don't forget our special offer. Any fan joining between now and the end of this season will also get next seasons membership as part of the package. So if you want to enjoy discounted away travel with our official group in the exciting away games between now and the end of the season, now is the time to join. Cost is just £5 for adults. Concessions are available. Talking of which....

AWAY TRAVEL

With a number of all ticket away games coming up a real plea that if you are intending to travel by coach with the Away travel group then do try to book early - ideally a week in advance to avoid being disappointed, as this exciting season reaches its climax

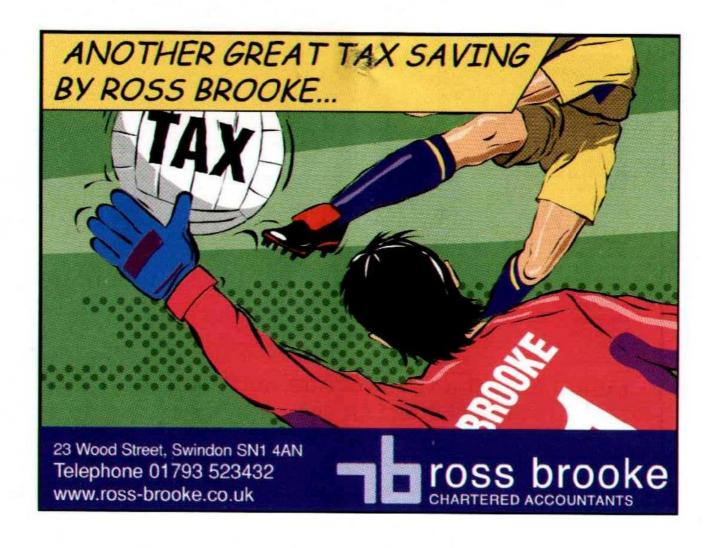
NEWSLETTER - SOCIAL EVENING

Our members will shortly receive their next newsletter that will include details of our Annual Social event, including dinner, that is due to take place early in May at the County Ground. Those who attended last season had a really good time and its success, has encouraged us to stage the event again this year. Please ask any committee member for details ahead of your newsletter or call and see Ann Alder in the Away Travel office.

POUNDS FOR POINTS

A couple of points since our last notes have taken the fund to well in excess of £3000. At £53 per point, another 3 points today will take the total close to £3500. So come on lads, we really need this one today. Not just for the fund, but importantly a win against our local rivals, will give everyone a boost.

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STEC LADIES

THE TOWN LADIES HAD A DISAPPOINTING THREE GOALS TO TWO DEFEAT BY FOREST GREEN ROVERS IN THE SOUTH WEST COMBINATION LEAGUE.



The visitors took the lead but the Town hit back and Carly Smith put the sides level when Claire Moreton's shot had been pushed out by the Rover's keeper but the Town striker followed up to hit the ball into the net. Carly Smith then latched onto to Michelle Rich's through ball to put the Town ahead. Forest Green drew level before the break but scored the winner mid way through the second half.

The Town sent a side to Bradford-on-Avon who are hoping to join the Wiltshire County League next season, and won by three goals to one. Pam Ashman, Laura Morgan and Sam Quinn found the net for the Town.

The Under Fourteen 11 a side team were beaten by two goals to nil by Crawley Wasps in the semi final of the Surrey Primary League Under 15 Cup. The Under Fourteen "A" continue to hold top spot in the Wiltshire County League and have booked a League Cup Final place against Keynsham Town.

The "B" have enjoyed a much better second half to the season and have recorded two good wins. They beat Swindon Spitfires by eight goals to nil and then Swindon Badgers by one goal to nil with Katrina Fisher getting the Town's goal.

The Under Twelve's beat Wootton Bassett by two goals to nil in the Wiltshire County League. Elli Maynard and Nicola Coe got the Town's goals. The team then faced Bristol City Academy but were defeated.

The Under Tens have been in action against Bristol City Academy and both sets of players acquitted themselves very well. The Town can now look forward to a friendly against Swindon Badgers and a mini tournament in May.

Tomorrow the Town are without a South West Combination League fixture but next Sunday travel to Devon to face Newton Abbot. The Town then entertain Newton Abbot the next Sunday in their last league game of the season.

FIXTURES 2003/04

17-Aug	CLEVEDON TOWN	Home	3-1
31-Aug	CHESHAM UNITED	Home	2-5
7-Sep	EXETER CITY	Away	2-1
14-Sep	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	Home	1-2
21-Sep	CHESHAM UNITED	Away	0-3
28-Sep	YEDVIL TOWN	Home	2-0
5-Oct	CARDIFF CITY	Away	2-8
12-Oct	READING ROYALS	Home	3-1
19-Oct	CLEVEDON TOWN	Away	3-3
26-Oct	PLYMOUTH O. V. FA CUP-1	Away	6-7
2-Nov	READING ROYALS	Away	1-7
9-Nov	EXETER CITY	Home	4-0
16-Nov	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	Home	4-4
30-Nov	OXFORD	Away	1-9
14-Dec	CARDIFF CITY	Home	0-4
11-Jan	READING	Away	1-1
18-Jan	OXFORD	Home	1-3
25-Jan	YEDVIL TOWN	Away	3-2
22-Feb	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	Away	1-7
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18-Apr	NEWTON ABBOT	Away	
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AGE: 26 HOME TOWN: SWINDON OCCUPATION: QUALITY CONTROLLER **POSITION: MIDFIELDER** PREVIOUS CLUBS: SWINDON SPITFIRES VALLEY WANDERERS (NEW ZEALAND) HONOURS: WILTSHIRE COUNTY WHO DO YOU MOST ADMIRE? DAVID BECKHAM **FAVOURITE CLUB? SWINDON TOWN FAVOURITE PLAYER?** MATT HEYWOOD **FAVOURITE TELEVISION PROGRAMME? BAD GIRLS** WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO SIT NEXT TO ON A PLANE? STEVEN GERRARD



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CLEVEDON TOWN	19	8	4	7	31	35	28
FOREST GREEN ROVERS	18	7	3	8	58	54	24
SWINDON TOWN	20	6	3	11	36	70	21
READING	21	6	3	12	36	78	21
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	18	6	2	10	35	51	20
EXETER CITY	18	5	1	12	24	58	16
NEWTON ABBOT	18	4	2	12	28	70	14
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GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO THIS AFTERNOON'S GAME WITH BRISTOL CITY.

We would like to say a big hello to Andy Amos who is here with his Wootton Bassett Under 8's and Rob Nolan and his Eldene Rangers Under 7's, 8's and 10's who are all here on our every popular Saturday Team Club. We hope you have enjoyed your morning with us and that you have witnessed a cracking game against our arch rivals Bristol City.

Last week and this forthcoming week will see us coach over 500 youngsters in Swindon and the surrounding areas. We were delighted last Monday when we visited Uffington where we had nearly 80 young players who are linked with Uffington FC. We would like to say a big thank you to Paul Barton who helped us organize the successful day. With the three days here last week, and the three days next week, we have nearly 300 children on each course and Easter will be rounded up with Fraser Digby's goalkeeping day on Friday 16th April. We still have a few places left for the goalkeeping day, so please call us as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Kevin Halliday is now taking separate bookings for your birthday celebrations, so if you would like to have a memorable party, please do not hesitate to call Kevin on 01793 421303.



Eldene Rangers U7's



Fidene Rangers U10



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Eldene Rangers U8



Wootton Bassett UB?



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NATIONWIDE SUPPORTERS OF TOMORROW

THE LAST HOME GAME
AGAINST BARNSLEY WAS NOT
A NORMAL DAY FOR 175 GIRLS
FROM AROUND WILTSHIRE AS
THEY TOOK PART IN THE
CLUB'S OFFICIAL LADIES DAY
CELEBRATIONS.

As part of a national scheme to promote girls and women's football with the help of Nationwide Building Society, Swindon Town were able to put on a special day for the group including a training session and tickets to watch Town in the 1-1 draw with the Tykes.

Girls between eight and sixteen turned up at the Wanborough training ground for a training session on the very pitches that see Swindon Town's own football stars hone their own skills before a big match. One player not able to practice his skills at the moment but still up at the training ground was midfielder Steve Robinson, who was there to hand out any tips on professional football that may help them succeed in the future.

Robbo watched on as the coaches put the girls through a series of dribbling, shooting, control, and attack/defence drills finishing with a small-sided game that allowed the youngsters to show of their new skills.

The girls then got changed and got ready to head off to the County Ground to watch Swindon Town v Barnsley from the Nationwide Stand.

Junior Robins and Schools Project Manager Alice Wills was thrilled with the success of the event saying: "The day went fantastically well for all the girls that took part and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

From meeting Steve Robinson in the morning to watching Sam Parkin score the opening goal, hopefully it will be a day they will never forget.

"The whole project was funded by the Nationwide Supporters of Tomorrow scheme to develop women's and girls football.

"Thanks to their support we were able to put together a day that will help raise the awareness of women's football throughout Swindon and the surrounding area."

For further information on girls/women's football contact Alice Wills at Swindon Town FC on 01793 333733 or e mail her on alice@swindontownfc.co.uk













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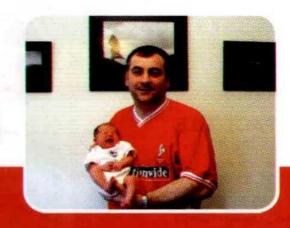
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GOOD AFTERNOON AND A WARM WELCOME TO ALL THE JUNIOR ROBINS HERE TODAY.

After the Barnsley game on Saturday 27th March over thirty Junior Robins were invited to an Ice Hockey game at the Link Centre. It was really exciting and good fun but it would of been great if any of us knew what was going on! I'd like to thank the Swindon Lynx for their hospitality and hope that they enjoyed the game here at The County Ground.

We have a new youngest Junior Robin, his name is Matthew Alexander Harbour (pictured above right) and was born on 20th March 2004. He was born at 1.19pm and was 7lbs 9oz. I'd like to congratulate his mum and dad and wish him luck in becoming a Swindon fan!

There will be two players in the club shop from 3.00-4.00pm on Thursday 15th April. Please bring along your cameras and autograph books.

I will be running two more coaches this season (well hopefully three, one to the Millennium Stadium) these two are:

Saturday 17th April **Wycombe Wanderers**

Leave at 12.00pm

Prices are:

Adult £25 Junior Robin £20

Saturday 1st May Queens Park Rangers

Leave at 11.30am

Prices are:

Adult £28 Junior Robin £20

These prices include your ticket and coach travel there and back, they are little more expensive as we were not able to get the tickets on a reciprocal basis! If you want to book on these trips or would like anymore information on mascots, schools or Junior Robins, please contact me on the details below.

Alice Wills 01793 333733

BIRTHDAY WISHES

I'D LIKE TO WISH THESE JUNIOR ROBINS A HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM ALL OF US HERE AT SWINDON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB:

11th April Scott Drew

12th April Lain Blood, Eddie Sproule, Craig Regan & Nicola Hawkins

13th April

Lawrence Packham, Mstr Puffitt & Hannah Chalklin

14th April Thomas Chamberlain & Martin Score

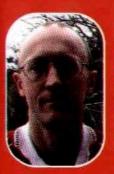
15th April Luke Bachhuber

16th April Alex Hays, Daniel Baker & Jessica Howard

17th April Scott Munroe

18th April Scott Desborough & Stephanie Davies

TODAY'S MASCOTS



John Allen He attended Churchfields School (1975 -1982). His hobbies are playing football and his all-time favourite player is David Moss.



Alex Rogers He is 11-years old and from Stratton. He attends Prior Park School and his main hobby is football and his favourite player is Rhys Evans.



Mitchell Kavanagh Today's visiting mascot is 14 and attends Bedminster Down School, He enjoys playing football and going out with friends.



TOWN STATISTICS 2003/04

HAPPY 65TH BIRTHDAY TO LIFELONG TOWN FAN BERNARD REES WHO IS HERE **TODAY WITH SON RICHARD. ENJOY THE GAME!**

STFC FACT FILE

KICK-OFF 3PM SATURDAYS, 7.45PM

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Sat 9 Aug	Sheffield Wednesday	3.00	Home	2-3	10,573	3,300
Wed 13 Aug	Southend United LC1	7.45	Away	3-2	3,385	199
Fri 15 Aug	Colchester United	7.45	Away	1-0	3,339	518
Sat 23 Aug	Notts County	3.00	Home	4-0	5,758	206
Mon 25 Aug	AFC Bournemouth	3.00	Away	2-2	6,606	1,400
Sat 30 Aug	Blackpool	3.00.	Home	2-2	6,219	349
Sat 6 Sept	Brighton & H.A.	3.00	Away	2-2	6,534	560
Sat 13 Sept	Wrexham	3.00	Home	1-0	6,160	302
Tues 16 Sept	Grimsby Town	7.45	Away	2-1	3,535	200
Sat 20 Sept	Barnsley	3.00	Away	1-1	9,006	349
Wed 24 Sept	Leeds United LC2	7.45	Away	2-23	29,211	2,541
Sat 27 Sept	Peterborough United	3.00	Home	2-0	6,767	206
Wed 1 Oct	Luton Town	7.45	Home	2-2	7,595	408
Sat 4 Oct	Bristol City	3.00	Away	1-2	14,294	2,684
Sat 11 Oct	Stockport County	3.00	Home	1-2	7,086	201
Wed 15 Oct	Boston United (LDV)	7.45	Away	1-2	1,514	145
Sat 18 Oct	Chesterfield	3.00	Away	0-3	3,506	423
Tues 21 Oct	Tranmere Rovers	7.45	Away	0-1	6,675	159
Sat 25 Oct	Port Vale	3,00	Home	0-0	5,313	316
Sat 1 Nov	Wycombe Wanderers	3.00	Home	2-0	5,681	428
Sat 8 Nov	Wycombe Wanderers FA Cup 1	3.00	Away	1-4	4,386	1,127
Sat 15 Nov	Oldham Athletic	3.00	Away	1-0	5,282	350
Sat 22 Nov	Queens Park Rangers	3.00	Home	1-1	10,021	2,807
Sat 29 Nov	Hartlepool United	3.00	Away	0-2	4,493	358
Sat 13 Dec	Plymouth Argyle	3.00	Home	2-3	9,374	2,364
Sat 20 Dec	Brentford	3.00	Away	2-0	5,077	792
Fri 26 Dec	Rushden & Diamonds	3.00	Away	0-2	4,845	1,089
Sun 28 Dec	Brighton & H.A.	3.00	Home	2-1	9,269	1,733
Sat 3 Jan	AFC Bournemouth	3.00	Home	2-1	7,158	941
Sat 10 Jan	Sheffield Wednesday	3.00	Away	1-1	22,751	1,084
Sat 17 Jan	Colchester United	3.00	Home	2-0	6,014	239
Sat 24 Jan	Notts County	3.00	Away	2-1	6,663	830
Sat 31 Jan	Blackpool	3.00	Away	2-2	6,463	687
Sat 7 Feb	Rushden & Diamonds	3.00	Home	4-2	7,023	396
Sat 14 Feb	Stockport County	3.00	Away	4-2	4,833	435
Sat 21 Feb	Chesterfield	3.00	Home	2-0	6,814	270
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Sat 20 Mar	Wrexham	3.00	Away	2-3	3,384	432
Sat 27 Mar	Barnsley	3.00	Home	1-1	7,305	251
Tue 30 Mar	Port Vale	7.45	Away	3-3	5,702	494
Sat 3 April	Peterborough United	3.00	Away	2-4	4,745	747
Sat 10 April	Bristol City	3.00	Home		4,140	141
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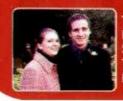








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NATIONWIDE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 2003/04

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BRIGHTON	40	15	3	2	37	11	4	6	10	22	29	66	+19
SWINDON	40	12	5	3	38	19	6	6	8	29	34	65	+14
B'MOUTH	39	11	6	3	32	18	5	6	8	18	22	60	+10
HARTLEPOOL	40	8	8	4	32	20	8	4	8	32	35	60	+9
PORT VALE	40	13	5	2	41	26	4	4	12	23	31	60	+7
LUTON	39	12	5	2	37	19	3	9	8	24	35	59	+7
BARNSLEY	40	7	11	2	22	13	6	5	9	23	33	55	-1
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APPEARANCES 2003/04

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MATT HEWLETT	38	2	5y	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
ADI VIVEASH	14	0	1y	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
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SAM PARKIN	36	18	3y	1	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0
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OLDHAM ATHLETIC SATURDAY 24TH APRIL 3PM

THE PENULTIMATE VISITORS TO THE COUNTY GROUND FOR A LEAGUE FIXTURE THIS SEASON ARE OLDHAM ATHLETIC WHO MAKE THE TRIP TO WILTSHIRE ON 24TH APRIL.

Freshly installed manager Brian Talbot had been in charge of Rushden and Diamonds since 1997 and with Oldham currently just one point off the relegation places they will be as keen to collect points as Town.

Last weekend, Oldham forced a 1-1 draw at play-off chasing Luton Town. They have won just twice away from home this season but with eleven draws in their travels, last weekend's point at Kenikworth Road was hardly unexpected. Dean Crowe scored Athletic's goal and he had been released by Luton on transfer deadline day so will have been particularly pleased to have made the score sheet.

Striker Scott Vernon and midfielder Paul Murray have both struck four goals over the last ten matches and they are currently the men to keep an eye on in front of goal.

While still well placed, Town's play-off challenge hasn't been helped by recent results. It's imperative that we finish strongly, not only to claim the top six place that the season's effort justify but to signal our intentions in May's football finale. The season is reaching its climax. The County Ground is the only place to be to catch all the action.

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TOMMY MOONEY	8	3/1
SAM PARKIN	9	3/1
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DAVID DUKE	11	10/1
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