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MANAGER - COLIN HENDRY

**Good afternoon
and welcome
to Bloomfield
Road for
today's game
Swindon Town.**

We have spent this week as we always do working hard to try and eradicate the mistakes that cost us so dearly this season. From my first day at the club, I explained to the players that if they don't know or don't understand something then they should ask, as yet nobody has asked me anything and everybody seems to understand before we go out for every game what they are supposed to be doing, but apart from two draws we have getting the same result and once again we are going to have to once look at changing things

From what I have seen this season, everybody can beat each other in this division, the only problem is that we haven't beaten anyone, I have spoke to Peter Taylor, Mike Newell and Chris Turner and they have all said everyone in this League on their day is capable of beating anyone else in the division. There isn't a team I have seen this year that has made me think, yes they will go all the way. We had a good 35-40 minutes first half against Luton, then we lost our away, it wasn't because of what they did, it was because of what we didn't do, but we certainly have the ability and the flair to get the right result, and hopefully that will be the case today. We have to find the right blend of presence, work rate and passion if we are to achieve our aims.

It has been a fairly eventful week for us, we have all been out and about watching games trying to bring players to the club, we are still ongoing with players, agents clubs and chairmen, but as I have said before the deal has to be right for everyone and most importantly the deal has to be right for Blackpool Football Club.

This week saw us extend Michael Flynn's loan for another month, he has brought some good things to us and I think that when we start to show our better qualities then we will see an even better Michael Flynn..

Last week we brought in Scott Vernon from Oldham, he has been out of favour there and has initially come in for a month. He caused Hull problems last week and he is a welcome addition to the squad.

Another positive for us this week has been the attitude in training of Richie Wellens, he has worked hard and looked sharp, irrespective of what is going on off the pitch with Richie and the events of three weeks ago, he has got his head down and worked hard as we expected, it would be foolish for me to disregard someone of Richie's quality, he is paid by this football club to play football and he knows his responsibilities.

Colin HEN

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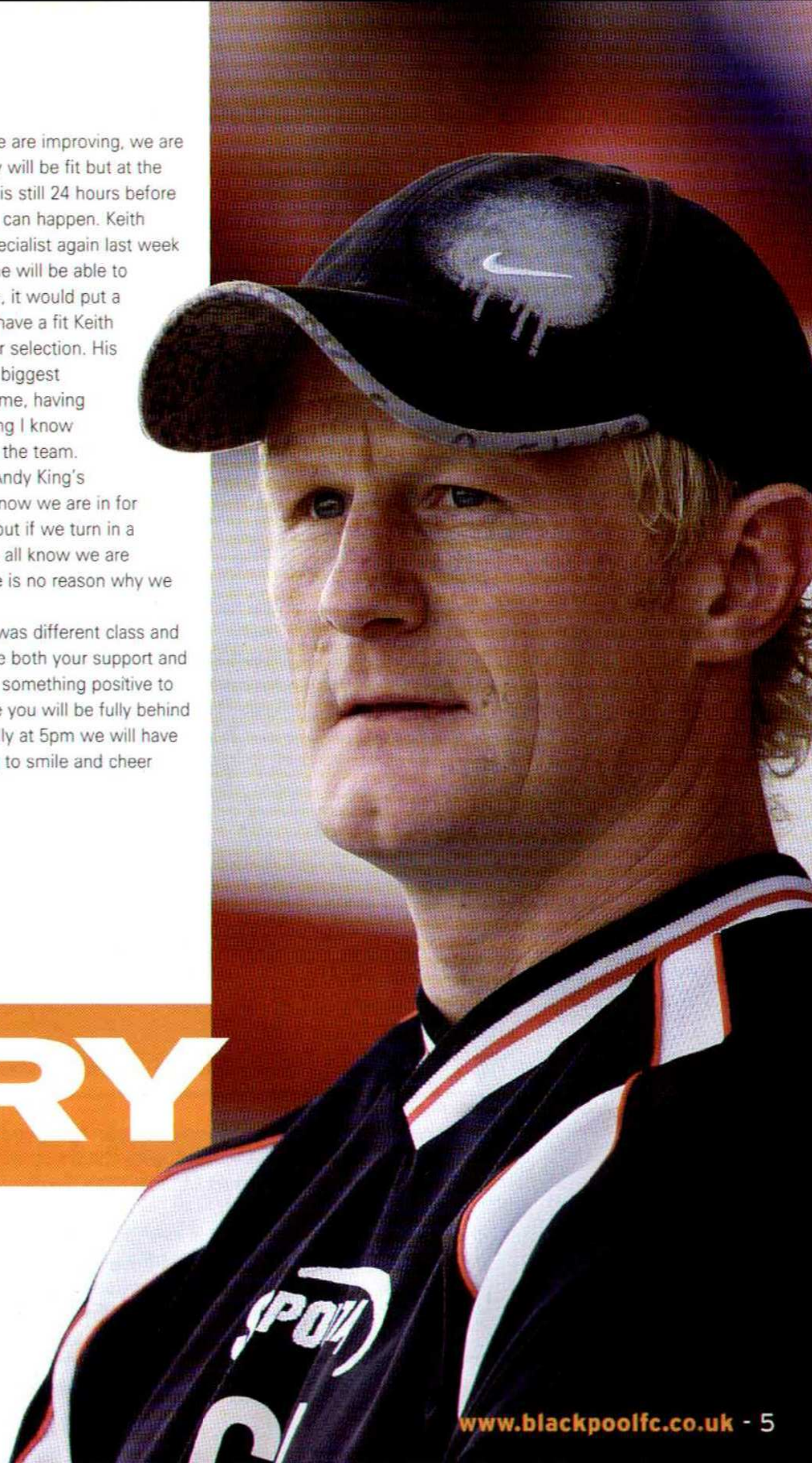


On the injury front we are improving, we are hopeful John Murphy will be fit but at the time of writing there is still 24 hours before kick off and anything can happen. Keith Southern saw the specialist again last week and we are hopeful he will be able to resume training soon, it would put a smile on my face to have a fit Keith Southern available for selection. His injury has one of the biggest disappointments for me, having played with him during I know what he can bring to the team. Today we welcome Andy King's Swindon Town, we know we are in for another hard game, but if we turn in a performance that we all know we are capable of then there is no reason why we can't win the game. Your support at Hull was different class and we all fully appreciate both your support and the need to give you something positive to cheer about. I'm sure you will be fully behind us today and hopefully at 5pm we will have given you something to smile and cheer about.

Enjoy the game,

Colin

DRY



COME AND JOIN OUR TEAM



Mr Parkin was celebrating after the Seasiders game with Luton Town, having scooped the £557 first prize in the club's half time Golden Gamble Draw. Mr Parkin can be seen receiving his cash from Golden Gamble manager Eleasha Bird. Mr Davies took the £50 second prize back to St Annes whilst Mrs Miles went home with a tenner having won the third prize.

Tangerines on tour

Today's Tangerines on Tour photo shows Pool fans Craig and Iain Wilson spreading the Tangerine word at Real Madrid's Bernabeau stadium.



If you have a holiday snap that you wish to share with fellow Pool fans, send them to Tangerines On Tour, C/O Programmed Editor, Blackpool FC, Seasiders Way, Blackpool, Lancs, FY1 6JJ

Player of the Month

This season we will be presenting a Player of the Month Award. The award will see the winner presented with a bottle of champagne before kick off.

The champagne has been kindly donated by Oman based Seasider Laurence Price who listens to all the Pool matches via the clubs Tangerine World facility.

We are sure you will agree with the winner for August!

Special Guests

The Kool Kids Club from Happy Nursery in Poulton Le Fylde had a surprise guest when they came to Bloomfield Road in August, whilst they were on their tour of the ground they were joined by Seasiders boss Colin Hendry.



Lancashire Cup

The Seasiders Lancashire Cup tie with Blackburn Rovers will take place at Bloomfield Road on Monday 20th September with a 7pm kick off.

Whilst it is expected both sides will feature fringe players the game gives you the opportunity to see a decent game of football on a Monday night! Admission is priced at £4 adults and £2 concessions.

inside bloomfield road

Oldham Reminder

Supporters are reminded the Seasiders League match at Boundary Park in October has been put back until Sunday 10th October, with a 2pm kick off.

LDV

The Seasiders defence of the LDV Vans Trophy begins on Wednesday 29th September away at York City.

The game at Bootham Crescent kicks off at 7.45pm. There will be some familiar faces amongst the Minstermen's team with no fewer than five ex Pool players amongst their ranks.

The tie is not all ticket and admission is priced at:

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The club are also running a supporters coach to York, seats are priced at £10 and the coach departs the North Stand car park at 4pm.

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Name: JONATHAN GOULDING

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Nicknames: "The Brain" /
"Gouldie"

Clubs Played For: Everton &
Crewe

Strengths: Passing

Weaknesses: Shooting

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Zidane

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Lennon (Leeds United)

Best Player Played With: Billy
Jones (Crewe)

**Worst dressed player at the
club?** Cabbar Bagdadi

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learn

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Titans

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SPECIAL


Posh or Rebecca Loos? Posh

J Lo or Beyonce? Beyoncee

Lynam or Lineker? Lineker

Big Brother or I'm a Celebrity?
I'm A Celebrity

If I hadn't been a footballer...I
would have been a Physio



In this edition of the Seasiders matchday magazine, veteran defender Mike Flynn gives us an idea of the best eleven players he has played with. The 35-year-old has opted for a 4-4-2 formation and includes two names many people won't know he played with.

**1 GOALKEEPER
ANDY GORAM
(Oldham Athletic)**

Andy is arguably the best keeper to have played for Scotland; he was in a different class. Not only was he a great shot stopper, he was brave and a great organiser. He is also one of the best amateur cricketers I have seen.

**2 RIGHT BACK
DENIS IRWIN
(Oldham Athletic)**

Many people forget Denis played over 200 games for Oldham before transferring to Manchester United. He is one of the most consistent defenders I have ever seen.

**3 LEFT BACK
WILLIE DONACHIE
(Oldham Athletic)**

Willie was the ultimate professional, when I was coming through the ranks at Oldham his experience and assistance was a crucial part of my



**Andy Goram
Legend!**

development. Towards the end of his playing days he became player-coach a role he adapted to with ease, he is one of the best coaches I have ever worked with.

**4 CENTRE HALF
NEIL RUDDOCK
(England Under 20's)**

I played with "Razor" at England Under 20 level. He takes no prisoners and was a real no nonsense defender. Strikers used to hate playing against him as he gave them such a tough time.

**5 CENTRE HALF
ANDY LINIGHAN
(Oldham Athletic)**

When I made my professional debut it was alongside Andy, he was great and he helped me with the step up. He was commanding in the air and for a big man his distribution was different class. During my year at Norwich he was different class, keeping me positive and keeping my head up.

**Denis Irwin.
Amazing career**

My All Ti

6 RIGHT MIDFIELD
ROGER PALMER
(Oldham Athletic)

Roger was nicknamed the "Ghost" as he always managed to sneak unnoticed into the right place at the right time, he regularly scored 20 goals a season. Off the field Roger was somewhat aloof, but what a player.

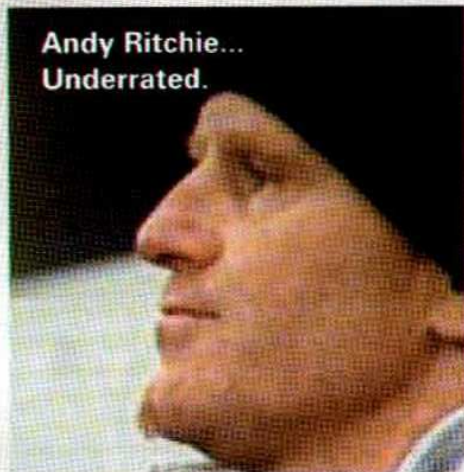
7 LEFT MIDFIELD
TOMMY WRIGHT
(Oldham Athletic)

This was a difficult position to fill, Tommy was a tricky little Scotsman with a good eye for goal.

8 CENTRE MIDFIELD
CHRIS MARSDEN
(Stockport County)

Chris was a member of our promotion side at Stockport. He has a great left foot and never gave the ball away. As we found out earlier this season, Chris is still doing the business for Sheffield Wednesday.

**Andy Ritchie...
Underrated.**



9 CENTRE MIDFIELD
MATT LE-TISSIER
(England Under 20's)

"Tiss" has to be one of the most gifted players I have ever seen. His range of passing and his trickery was different class. He has scored some of the best goals I have ever seen and in my opinion he deserved more international recognition than the few caps he actually got.

10 CENTRE FORWARD
ANDY RITCHIE
(Oldham Athletic)

"Stitch" is one of the most underrated players in the game. He was almost the ultimate centre forward, he had everything, trickery, pace, he could head the ball, but most of all he knew where the goal was.

11 CENTRE FORWARD
FRANK BUNN
(Oldham Athletic)

"Bunny" was a great target man who weighed in with his fair share of goals. He was a defenders nightmare and would have gone on to play at the highest level if it wasn't for a series of serious knee injuries.



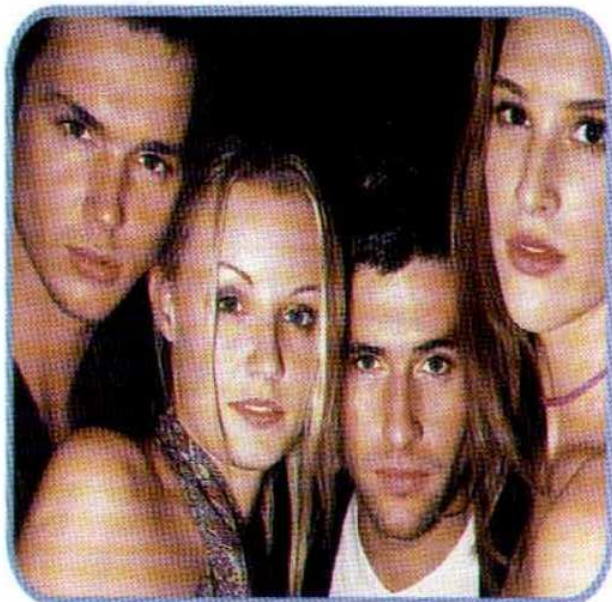
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Dave Hanley, lifelong Swindon fan and editor of supporters website myonlyswindon.com, introduces today's visitors to Bloomfield Road.

After Tommy Mooney did the unthinkable (and unforgivable) and moved the 30 miles to arch rivals Oxford in the summer, it looked like Swindon could

struggle to find the goals required for another promotion push. The opening game of the season came and the concerns were highlighted. A 2-1 defeat at Wrexham and our goal was a late strike from youngster Andy Caton, on as a sub and fresh out of the youth team - but definitely a bright hope for the future.

Next up was a home game against Luton, and at the time no-one knew just how well they were going to start. A 3-2 home defeat was seen as a disappointment at the time. Considering Jerel Ifil had been signed in the summer (after an impressive loan period) to help shore up a leaky defence, 5 goals against in 2 games was certainly not expected - but not Ifil's fault I must add.

Thankfully Town had the awful MK Dons at home on the following Saturday and the season kicked into gear with a comfortable 2-0 victory, and there was relief as 'Super Sammy Parkin' opened his account.

Andy King was aware that a new strike partner was required for Parkin and signed Darius Henderson from Gillingham on a months loan in time for the Bristol City derby. Henderson was an instant hero with the fans with a two goal salvo that sunk City.

Town's next game was against last season's fellow play-off participants, Hartlepool. Midfielder, Mark Yeates, was drafted in on loan from Spurs and 'pool were surprisingly ripped apart by a rampant Town who scorched to a 3-0 half-time lead - with Henderson on target again - and then switched to cruise control.

Three consecutive wins saw Town rise up the table and an

early 2-0 lead at Walsall - with Henderson making it 4 goals in 3 games - had them heading for 2nd spot. That was until Paul Merson rallied his troops and stole a 3-2 victory.

King added another loanee to his squad - defender Paul Mitchell from Wigan - and things got back on track at 2nd placed Colchester with a hard fought and determined 1-0 victory. Everyone was thinking that unfancied Peterborough at home would be another comfortable win. Then the wheels fell off! Andy King singled out Sean O'Hanlon for praise and said the rest of his players just never got going as Peterborough bagged a 1-0 win. Now to Blackpool. It should be one hell of a game. Swindon are looking to bounce back from their worst performance of the season and Blackpool are looking to just get their season up and running by the look of the table.

The form book might say an away win, but the result will depend on what Swindon team is in Town today. Jekyll or Hyde? The slick passing or the clueless? And can Darius Henderson find that magic touch again?

There are plenty of potential scorers in the squad and last Saturday was the first game that Town have failed to find the back of the net. I suppose as fans we shouldn't be too despondent, but really we feel our team should be 2nd in the table now.

Most Swindon fans will tell you that this squad is good enough to push for a top three place. The problem is that they have a knack of throwing in the odd performance that resembles a bottom three team.

All the best.

Dave Hanley (MyOnlySwindon.com)



pick of the bunch

SAM PARKIN



Young and very promising forward who joined the club from Chelsea in 2002. The transfer followed a mass of speculation, with Andy King, a huge fan of the player, tracking him for several months.

Parkin joined the club from Stamford Bridge where his development was hindered by a glut of international stars. However, whilst at the club he joined several other clubs on loan and it is with them that he built up a reputation as a lethal striker.

He joined Millwall in September 2000 and made his Football League debut for the Lions in a 5-0 demolition of Oxford United. He then went on loan to Wycombe Wanderers in November 2000 after having a trial with Queens Park Rangers. Scored twice in 13 games for the Chairboys, but eventually went on loan once again to Oldham Athletic before joining Northampton, again on loan, in 2001.

'Super Sammy Parkin' more than repaid Andy King's faith in his ability by netting 26 goals during the 2002-03 campaign, including a devastating hat-trick against Barnsley on the opening day of the season. Strong on the ball and devastating in the box, he then went on to finish third in the Division's goal charts. Understandably he romped away with the majority of trophies when the clubs 'Player of the Year' awards were handed out in 2002-2003.

Parkin enjoyed another good season in front of goal last campaign and will be hoping to continue his excellent scoring ratio for Swindon Town.

ANDY KING

Manager: Andy King

Born: Luton, 14th August 1956
Playing Career: Luton Town, Everton, QPR, WBA, Everton, Wolves, Luton Town, Aldershot.

Andy King initially joined the club as assistant to Colin Todd in 2000 but took charge when the former Derby midfielder moved on to Pride Park. King lasted just 37 games before a change of chairman saw Roy Evans brought in as Robins boss. King was eventually reappointed in December 2001 after Evans departed and since has been on a steady road to improvement season on season.

In 2003/04 he brought in several new signings that have steadily reversed the declining fortunes of the club and has now assembled a hard working side with a successful mixture of youth and experience. His side were unfortunate to not make it to the Divisional play off final last year after losing out to

Brighton on penalties in the semi final. He will be hoping to go one better this time around.

Assistant Manager:

Mike Walsh

Born: South Shields, 20th June 1956
Playing Career: Bolton, Everton, Norwich (loan), Burnley (loan), Fort Lauderdale USA, Man City, Blackpool.

Mike Walsh has had several connections with Swindon Town in the past and is no stranger to those at the County Ground.

A long-term friend of Andy King from their days at Everton together, Walsh has stepped into the Assistant Manager role after Malcolm Crosby departed for Middlesbrough in the summer. Previous experiences at Bury and Southport make up his full time management career.



1. Rhys Evans GOALKEEPER

The promising young keeper joined Leyton Orient on a three-month loan deal in August 2002. He proved to be an excellent shot stopper and showed good command of his area. Rhys was unfortunate to pick up a leg injury, which cut short his period at Brisbane Road and saw him return to Chelsea. Later in that season he made his debut for the England Under 21 side against Serbia, but was eventually released by Chelsea last summer. Town manager Andy King swooped for the young stopper in 2003 to give first choice keeper Bart Griemink more competition for the number one shirt at Swindon Town.



Since then Evans has been a regular between the posts for Town and has turned in many match saving performances.

He enjoyed a successful first season back at The County Ground, making 43 first team appearances and will relish the chance to battle it out with new keeper Steve Book.

2. Sean O'Hanlon DEFENDER

After impressing during an eight-game loan spell last season, Sean O'Hanlon signed for Swindon Town in March 2004 on a permanent basis from Everton.

Having come up through the youth ranks at Goodison Park, O'Hanlon left Merseyside in search of first team football and was a rock in the centre of defence towards the end of the 2003-04 season and is surely one of Town's brightest prospects.

3. Grant Smith MIDFIELDER

Grant, although fully involved in Sheffield United's pre season games, made just one start in their 2002-03 campaign, appearing as a striker against Wimbledon when things did not go his way. Occasionally on the bench, he was a regular in the Blades successful reserve side and in March he joined Plymouth Argyle in a loan deal. He made in midfield against Blackpool and went on to add four appearances, scoring at home to Brentford.

He joined Swindon Town after being released from the Blades and was strongly recommended by Sheffield United boss, Neil Warnock amongst many others. Since joining in the summer of 2003, 'Smithy' was made to wait for his chance and having featured in the Carling Cup win at Southend United, was given an opportunity to impress at Leeds United in the Second Round.

His first start in the 'league' came during the Second Leg of the Play-Offs at Brighton and Hove Albion, where he slotted in admirably at left-back. Smith will be hoping for further chances to show his worth in the new 2004-2005 campaign.

4. Matthew Hewlett (CAPTAIN) MIDFIELDER

All at Ashton Gate once tipped midfielder Matt for the top. The former Bristol City player was called into the England Under 21 squad, but a number of injuries curtailed his flourishing career. In the end Hewlett made over 100 appearances for City, but left them to join Town on a Bosman in the summer of 2000.

He was a regular for Colin Todd until being hit by injury once again and went on to play just 26 league games. Last term he was virtually ever-present (43 games in all competitions) despite never really hitting top gear. Matt captained the side last season in the absence of the suspended regular skipper Andy Gurney and has continued to deputise this season, losing only seven of his eight games with the captain's armband.

He has now made well over a hundred appearances for Swindon Town and continues to be a consistent performer in the centre of midfield. Despite some criticism, he tends to be the engine room at the heart of the team and the side never quite looks the same when he is missing. He also possesses good passing skills and although his goal scoring efforts are few and far between, they often tend to be memorable as Notts County found out last term.

5. Adi Viveash DEFENDER

Dominant central defender who signed for local rivals Reading at the beginning of July 2000 on a 'Bosman' style free transfer from Walsall. Captain at the Bescott stadium for two seasons and a vital member of the team that won promotion from Division Two in 1998/99.

Two-time player of the year during his time with the Saddlers Viveash started his career here at Swindon and spent two separate brief spells on loan with the Royals in the 1992/3 and 1994/5 seasons.

Joined Reading on a permanent deal in 2000/01 and started as the first choice centre back. He was excellent throughout, and showed similar consistency at the start of the following season before suffering a groin injury in the cup defeat at York in December 2001. Last season his first team involvement at Reading was restricted to a handful of games as a non-playing substitute until the final part of the campaign.

He kept in shape with a two-month loan spell at Oxford United, helping the club to their best spells of the season. Adi was recalled to the Reading first team as a centre back

replacement for their injured defensive unit. He even captained the side in the last two league games against Walsall and Stoke City.

Adi chose against signing a new one year deal with the Royals and departed for Wiltshire in the hope of a final few seasons with regular first team action. After starting the season as a regular choice on the left side of three centre backs, he found a starting place hard to come by and went out on loan to Kidderminster Harriers where he made 7 league appearances towards the end of the 2003-2004 season.

After a thorough pre-season campaign, Adi joined Kidderminster Harriers on Friday 6th August on a month loan deal.

6. Andy Gurney DEFENDER

Andy started his career at hometown club Bristol Rovers, where he spent four seasons before moving to Torquay for one year and impressing during their surge to the play-offs. He then joined Reading in January 1999 for £100,000 as an attack-minded, right-sided defender that could also play in midfield. He soon established a regular starting place with Reading in 1999/00 and figured in the Royals' promotion push that year.

Was keen to join Town after their impressive performance against Reading and King snapped him up on a Bosman in the summer of 2001. Crowned an impressive home debut performance against Tottenham with a long-range goal and proved to be one of King's best buys. Gurney missed just four games in his first season and last year - made 45 appearances in all competitions.

He again weighed in with a useful contribution of nine goals, including expertly taken free kicks at Plymouth and Tranmere last season.

Comfortable on the ball, he is a versatile defender who can appear at right back, centre back or in midfield if required.

7. Sammy Igoe MIDFIELDER

After making his way up through the ranks at Portsmouth, where he began as a trainee, Igoe went on to secure a first team spot at the south coast club and made his mark with some impressive performances.

He moved to Reading in a £100,000 deal but found it difficult to break into the first team and spent much of his time on the substitutes bench. Last term the diminutive midfielder had something of a disappointing season at the Royals, being restricted to just a handful of starts and rarely featured at all at the turn of the year. Sammy eventually joined Luton on loan on transfer deadline day and went straight into their starting line up. However, after just two appearances a training ground accident brought his stay to a premature close and he returned to the Madejski Stadium.

After deciding he was no longer in then manager Alan Pardew's future plans, Igoe left to join Swindon in the summer of 2003. This season he has brought a fresh enthusiasm to the Town side and has quickly become a crowd favourite with his quick feet, skills and turn of pace.

Capable of chipping in with goals, and making decisive contributions in the middle of the park, he is always a threat to the opposition. Scored with a free-kick on his league debut against Sheffield Wednesday on the opening day of the season last term.

8. Rory Fallon STRIKER

A recent signing from Barnsley, the big striker made quite an impression against Town in the past two seasons, scoring on many occasions and catching the eye of Town boss Andy King.

He joined Barnsley as a professional in 1999 after moving up through their trainee programme. Last season saw him score his first ever league goal against Blackpool and he quickly followed that up the following week in a game at Stockport.

He had just begun to cement his place in the first team when he suffered a stress fracture of his foot at the end of February and it was not until the closing stages that he rejoined the first team squad.

King had become a keen admirer of the striker by that point and Town eventually agreed a disclosed fee with Barnsley to bring him down to Wiltshire. Having waited patiently for his chance, has scored a number of goals including a brilliant overhead kick from the edge of the box to secure a point against Bristol City in early April.

Started the new season as first choice striker following the summer departure of Tommy Mooney to Oxford United and has a point to prove.

10. Stefani Miglianzi MIDFIELDER

Miglianzi is the product of the American College football system in which the most promising players are drafted into Major League Soccer. Stefani helped St John's University win the 1996 NCAA Division I Championship and played for MLS team Chicago Fire before joining Everton on trial.

They were keen to sign him but no deal came about. Portsmouth then out jumped Liverpool in inviting him for a trial and signed him soon thereafter.

The 22-year-old is a Brazilian born American but holds an Italian passport. As a footballer the genes don't come much better. What's more, Miglianzi is versatile; he can play in defence or as a central midfielder and since joining the club in July, has impressed in the middle of Town's midfield.

He finished last season third in the Player of the Year Competition and has also signed a two-year extension to his contract.

The last campaign saw the midfielder go from strength to strength at the heart of Town's midfield and after chipping in with his fair share of spectacular goals, he has quickly become the heartbeat of Andy King's team.

A classy player who always looks calm and collected he has good body strength, which enables him to shrug off challenges. He also possesses a fine shot, which on regular occasions has forced opposing keepers to pick the ball out of the top corner of the net.

11. David Duke

DEFENDER/MIDFIELDER

'Dukey' will feel slightly aggrieved with the tag of 'Most Improved Player' last season - but he hardly missed a game and rarely put a foot wrong on the left hand side of Town's midfield. The Scotsman arrived on a free transfer from Sunderland in 2000 having never managed a start for the Black Cat's first team. Duke appeared regularly in his first season with the Robins. He combined well with Sol Davis down the Robins' left and is a good crosser of the ball - last year he became more effective beating players and he contributed more to the team with his hard work and endeavour.

12. Jerel Ifil

DEFENDER

Powerful defender Jerel Ifil joined Town in the summer of 2004 after enjoying three loan spells with Town previously from 02-04. Jerel became a fan's favourite during his brief stays in Wiltshire and having finally signed on the dotted line, gives Andy King several options at the back with Heywood, O'Hanlon, Viveash and Reeves all able to play in the heart of defence.

14. Lloyd Opara

STRIKER

A livewire young striker who after signing from non-league Grays Athletic in the summer of 2004 after impressing on trial for the reserves. Lloyd will be competing with Sam Parkin and Rory Fallon for a place in the Town starting line-up. Previously with Cambridge and Colchester, Opara has great pace and has been described by Andy King as his 'gamble' this time around.

15. Andrew Nicholas

DEFENDER

Andrew was a regular member of Liverpool's under-19 winning team in 2003 and won plaudits with his consistent performances at left back, resulting in a flattering comparison to Anfield legend Sami Hyypia.

At the time, his path into the first team at Liverpool seemed blocked and upon his decision to leave, King snapped him up in the summer of 2003. After working his way into the manager's starting line up with some hard work in training, the left sided defender has never looked back and has given a number of solid performances so far.

With good height, terrific pace and recovery he has made the left back slot his own during the last campaign. He also possesses a Dave Chalkinor-style long throw, which he claims to be one of the longest in the division.

Now back to full fitness after undergoing knee surgery in the summer and completed his comeback with ninety minutes in the Carling Cup First Round win at Rushden & Diamonds.

16. Steve Robinson

MIDFIELDER

Tough-tackling and energetic right-footed midfield terrier signed from Birmingham City for £50,000 in February 2001, he was an automatic choice for the Robins for the remainder of that season and more recently, signed a two-year extension to his contract. A former Birmingham trainee, he broke into the Blues team under Barry Fry but has constantly been dogged by injuries that have limited his first team chances. He made over 50 league starts for the Blues, but almost joined Sheffield United in 1999 only to fail the medical.

He was involved at the start of the 2000-01 season, but was transfer-listed by Trevor Francis in November after failing to hold down a regular place in the first team squad. He duly left for Wiltshire in the hope of first team football and has proved to be a shrewd signing for the club ever since.

His non stop attitude and one hundred per cent work rate for the

team has proved to be an outstanding asset and having missed the latter part of last season with a fractured leg sustained at Blackpool in January, has worked extremely hard over the summer and is now very much part of the squad once again.

17. Brian Howard

MIDFIELDER

The youngster joined Town from Southampton in 2003 having playing for the Saints reserves for two years. The 20-year-old left sided midfielder even turned down a late move to go to Chelsea choosing instead to opt for some first team football under Andy King.

He has been a regular member of the England youth set up and was unlucky to not be included in the Under 20's side that went to the FIFA World Youth Championships.

The left sided midfielder proved to be a revelation on the bench last season and should regularly be getting a pat on the back from the Town forwards as he continues to put chances in the net of them. Capable of scoring his fair share of goals including important away strikes at Brentford and Notts County, he also possesses a superb dead ball piece especially from corners. Scored a cracker from 25-yards during the 2-2 draw with Forest Rovers in pre-season.

18. Alan Reeves

DEFENDER

Before joining Swindon in 1998, he spent four years at Wimbledon, where he had the tough task of replacing John Scales. Reeves has also played for Gillingham, Chester and Rochdale where he is considered to be one of the best players in the club's history.

Town's veteran defender enjoyed another fine season in 2004. Although initially not a member of the side, he forced his way into contention as the team hit some poor early season form. His uncompromising and committed displays helped the Robins turn their fortunes around.

His sheer presence and a willingness to throw himself into the thick of the action were evident throughout that season and he thoroughly deserved his runner up spot in the club's 'Player of the Season' award.

He has now made well over 400 league appearances and was rewarded last season with a playing/coaching role that has seen him turn around the fortunes of Town's reserve side. He continues to back up the Swindon defence when called upon and will continue in his dual role this term.

18. Matthew Heywood INJURED

DEFENDER

It has been another consistent year for Town's most effective defender and after a slow start, he returned to the kind of form that saw him clean up in the 2001/02 Player of the Year Awards. Originally, Heywood failed to break through at Burnley's Turf Moor and, after being alerted as to his availability by former scout Shaun Reid, Andy King snapped him up on a free transfer. Was an ever-present in the latter half of 2000/01 and has now missed just four games since. The tall defender signed an extension to his contract, much to the delight of the fans and he has shown the same strength and commitment this season. Strong in the tackle and good in the air, Heywood is proving to be a great asset to the club. It is no coincidence that Town's defensive record improved dramatically following his arrival and whilst he may not have scored as many goals as he would have liked, he can prove effective went sent forward as an extra body in the box. Currently out, due for knee surgery.

20. Steve Book

GOALKEEPER

Signed at the start of August 2004 from Cheltenham Town as a replacement for the departed Bart Griemink, who left at the end of the 2003-4 campaign to join Southend United.

An agile keeper, Book was part of Cheltenham Town's meteoric rise to the Football League and played over 200 appearances for the Whaddon Road side after signing from Forest Green Rovers in 1997.

Right: Andy Nicholas

dream team...

**Football historian
LEIGH EDWARDS
selects a post-
war Swindon
Town 'Dream
Team' with the
help of several
Swindon
supporters and
club officials.**

FRASER DIGBY: England U-21 goalkeeper who was a key figure in Swindon Town's 1992-93 First Division play-off final triumph. Signing professional for Manchester United in April 1985, he moved to Swindon in September 1986 and featured in that season's promotion success. He was ever-present in 1988-89, starring as they qualified for the play-offs in successive seasons and were Coca-Cola Cup semi-finalists in 1994-95. Also featuring in the 1995-96 Second Division title triumph, he had a testimonial in July 1997 and played 417 League games before joining Crystal Palace in August 1998, then played for Barry Town.

ROD THOMAS: Welsh international right-back who was capped 30 times while at Swindon Town. Initially with Gloucester City, he moved to the County Ground in July 1964 and was a key figure in Swindon's 1968-69 promotion and League Cup 'double' success. He also starred in their 1970 Anglo-Italian Cup final triumph and netted five goals in 296 League games prior to joining Derby County in November 1973. Featuring in their 1974-75 League Championship campaign, he moved to Cardiff City in November 1977 and subsequently had spells with Newport County and Gloucester again before becoming a publican.

JOHN TROLLOPE: Long-serving left-back who holds Swindon Town's appearance record. Signing professional at the County Ground in July 1960, he made his League debut in Swindon's 1-1 draw at home to Halifax Town a month

later and was ever-present in seven consecutive seasons including the 1962-63 promotion success. He featured in Swindon's 1968-69 promotion and League Cup 'double' campaign as well as their 1970 Anglo-Italian Cup final triumph. Scoring 21 goals in 770 League games for Swindon, he was coach before managing them between November 1980 and March 1983, then their youth-team boss.

GLENN HODDLE: Former England international midfielder who was player-manager as Swindon Town reached the Premiership in 1992-93. Signing professional for Tottenham Hotspur in April 1975, he starred as they won promotion in 1977-78, then won the FA Cup in two consecutive seasons and the UEFA Cup in 1984. He moved to Monaco in July 1987 and helped win the French title in 1987-88, becoming Swindon's player-boss in August 1991. Scoring once in 64 League games, he left to take charge of Chelsea after the 1992-93 First Division play-off final triumph and has since managed England, Southampton and Spurs.

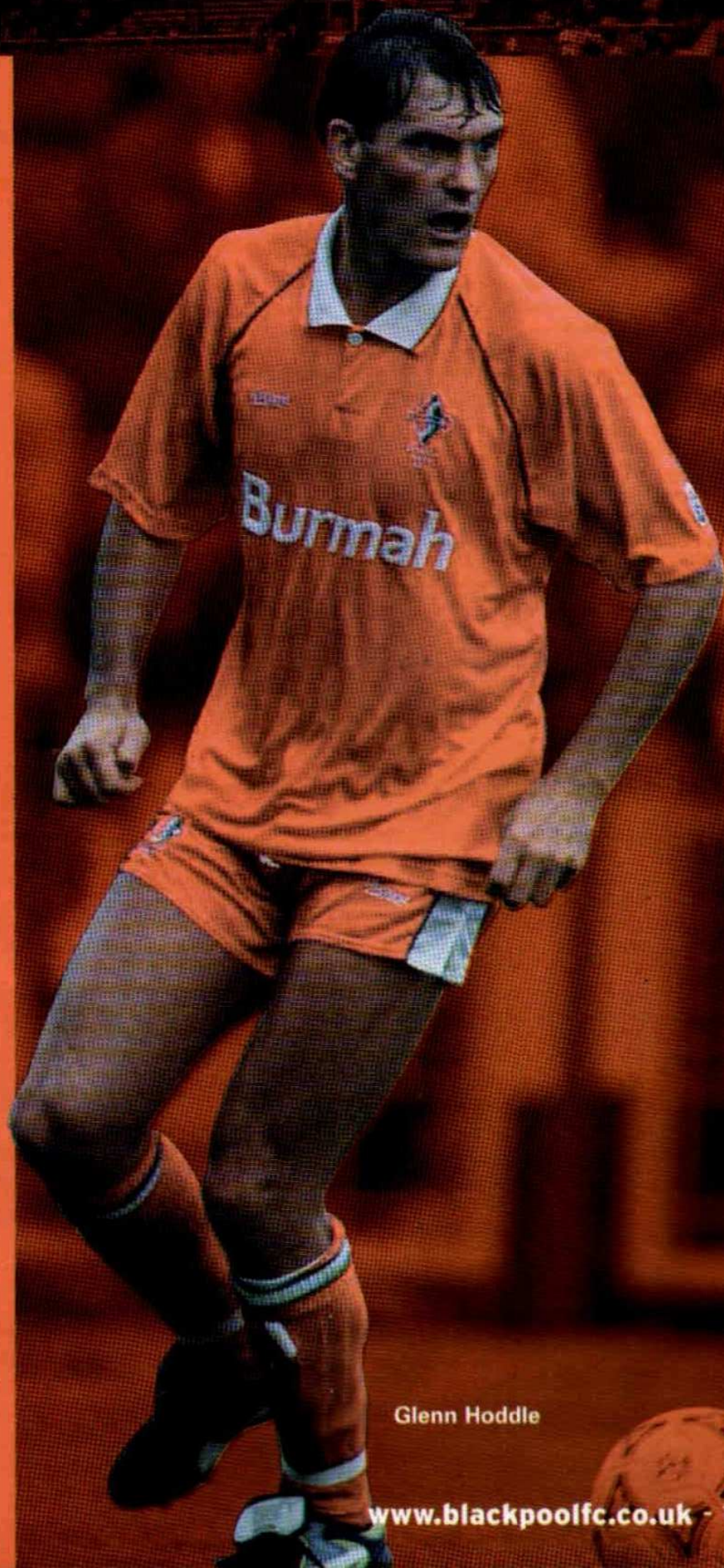
COLIN CALDERWOOD: Commanding central defender who was capped 36 times by Scotland after leaving Swindon Town. Signing professional for Mansfield Town in March 1982, he moved to the County Ground in July 1985 and starred as Swindon won the Fourth Division title in 1985-86. He also helped to win promotion in 1986-87, then featured in two further play-off finals including the 1993 Wembley triumph. Scoring 20 times in 330 League games for Swindon, he

Fraser
Digby

he moved to Tottenham Hotspur in July 1993 and subsequently played for Aston Villa and Nottingham Forest. He is now managing Northampton Town.

SHAUN TAYLOR: Influential central defender who was ever-present alongside Colin Calderwood as Swindon Town reached the Premiership in 1992-93. He impressed with Bideford before moving to Exeter City in December 1986 and starred in their 1989-90 Fourth Division title triumph. Joining Swindon in July 1991, he was the sole ever-present player in their 1993-94 Premiership campaign and also featured in the 1995-96 Second Division title triumph. He netted 30 goals in 212 League games while at the County Ground before moving to Bristol City in September 1996 where he has become development coach.

MIKE SUMMERBEE: Brilliant winger who was capped eight times by England after leaving Swindon Town. Initially with Cheltenham Town, he moved to the County Ground in March 1960 and was an important figure in Swindon's 1962-63 promotion success. He netted 39 goals in 218 League games prior to joining Manchester City in August 1965, amassing a vast collection of domestic and European honours under the Joe Mercer/Malcolm Allison partnership at Maine Road. Subsequently with Burnley, Blackpool and Stockport County, he is a successful businessman and his son Nicky also starred for Swindon Town.



Glenn Hoddle

FIFTEEN TO ONE - RICHARD BANYARD



1) Who are you; where are you from and how long have you supported your club?

Richard Banyard - originally from Swindon, now living in Reading -

and I've supported the Town for just over twenty years.

2) What was your first game and the score?

First game was an FA Cup 3rd Round replay against Carlisle in January 1984 - we won 3-1, which was a great result, as we finished 17th in Division Four that season, and Carlisle finished 7th in the Second. I don't really remember much of it, but I was only six at the time!

3) Describe the most memorable and worst game you've seen and why?

Most memorable game was the 1993 play-off final against Leicester, when we won promotion to the Premier League. After taking a 3-0 lead, Leicester fought back to 3-3, then we got a dodgy penalty in the last ten minutes which Paul Bodin converted to make it 4-3. The game had everything - agony and ecstasy - and watching the video gives me goosebumps even now!

Worst game was probably two seasons later, when we travelled to Bolton in the League Cup semi-finals. The first time we travelled up, we got as far as Staffordshire, before the game was postponed... no such luck the second time though - we were 2-1 up from the first leg, and at half-time in the second leg, it looked to be going our way, seemingly heading for a boring 0-0 draw. Then we scored to make it 3-1 on aggregate, and suddenly Bolton sprang into life and upped their game to get back into it - they ended up beating us 3-1. As if that wasn't bad enough, they then locked us in the ground, so we had to endure the Bolton players, fans and tannoy announcer's celebrations... and then, to top it all off, it started to snow.

4) Who do you consider as your current local rivals and why?

Oxford United - because they're the most local - and they seem to dislike us as much as we dislike them!

5) Who is the best and worst player you have seen?

Best player - probably Colin Calderwood - a rock at the back, he captained us from the Fourth Division championship season of 1985/86, right up to the play-off final in 1993. There are many contenders for the worst player award - Kim Heiselberg and Shaun Close both spring to mind - but for pure value for money, I think I'll choose Jason Drysdale - a left back who

couldn't pass or tackle, signed by a certain Mr. McMahon - a snip at £340,000.

6) Which current or former Blackpool player impressed you most?

Dave Bamber was an integral part of our team in the mid-eighties - I lost count of how many penalties he won by going down as if shot in the area! He even helped us after he left - scoring a great own goal when we beat his Stoke team 6-0 in 1989.

7) How did you fare last season?

Best moment, worst moment etc. We finished 5th last season, which overall was very good - though it could have been better had we not suffered the end-of-season jitters in the last couple of months. The worst moment by far was the defeat at Brighton in the play-off semi-final - 2-1 up on aggregate going into injury time of extra time in the second leg, we conceded a sloppy goal, and lost on penalties... and we got absolutely drowned in storms before, during and after the game. That wasn't the first time either - having gone 2-0 up at Leeds in the Carling Cup, keeper Paul Robinson scored an injury time equaliser - and we lost on penalties there too.

8) How do you think you'll do this season? Hopes, final position.

Our first eleven are capable of automatic promotion - unfortunately though, they're also capable of getting beat at home by Peterborough! If we can maintain some consistency and avoid injury, there's no reason why we can't challenge for at least a play-off place again. On current form, we'll end up 12th, having won 23 and lost 23.

9) What's your squad like, new signings, etc?

Our squad seems to be wafer thin - in last week's match against Peterborough, we fielded three loan players. We only made three signings over the summer - Steve Book, a reserve keeper from Cheltenham, Lloyd Opara - a non-league striker who has already left, and Jerel Ifil - a defender who already had three loan spells at Swindon before he joined... so it didn't really feel like we'd bought anyone new. If the whole team is fit, our first XI is very good - though we could do with a bit more aggression in the midfield, and a bit more organisation at the back.

10) Which youngster will make the biggest impression in your team this season?

All of them hopefully - our whole first-team is very young.

11) What's your manager like and will he still be there at the end of the campaign?

Andy King wears his heart on his sleeve, and



he's upset more than a few opposition fans with comments after the game! He's very good at bringing in cheap, young talent - though we're not always sure if he knows what to do with them when he's got them. Barring a disaster, he'll still be there in May next year, hopefully as manager of a Championship team.

12) Are you happy with your Chairman / Backroom staff?

Overall, it's difficult to complain when they've brought the club from near bankruptcy to what seems like relative financial stability - though we lost our Chief Executive over the summer to Q.P.R., and he has yet to be replaced. Ticket prices are one area that need to be looked at - at £23, we're the most expensive in League One - and it's doing nothing to attract new support to the County Ground.

13) Which team do you want to beat the most this season and why?

We've already done it - Bristol City at Ashton Gate - a long-standing local rivalry, and we haven't beaten them for years!

14) Predict your champions and runner up, and the Play-Off winning teams and the 4 to go down from League One?

I have absolutely no idea - the league is so tight, a good or a bad run, and any team could find themselves at either end of the table. Luton look to be running away with it at the moment, but I can't see that lasting - I think they'll get dragged back into the pack at some point. At the bottom, I think Torquay will go down, though hopefully they'll finish above the MK Dons. And Bristol City.

15) What is the address of your site and what sites do you normally visit?

My site is at www.swindon-town-fc.co.uk - it focuses mostly on the history of the club - for more up to date Town news, I go to www.thisistfc.co.uk, which is the local newspaper's site, and for chat with other Swindon fans, the best place is www.myonlyswindon.com.

Peter Gillatt, Seasiders.Net Editor



August Bank Holiday Monday - don't know why but always one of my favourite games of the season.

A chance to make it six points out of six in three days, a good away day somewhere and the chance to take in a quality League One ground.

Unfortunately none of these were to happen on this year's August Bank Holiday! Having been beaten by Luton on the Saturday a full six point return was impossible, we were off to a place you wouldn't associate with a good day out - namely Peterborough - and London Road is hardly a Mecca for football! All of that said, we made yet another route east along the M62, which was preferable to a trip up the M6 to Bloomfield Road on a Bank Holiday Monday (thanks to whoever sorted the fixtures out this year!).

I'd reminisced about previous Bank Holiday Monday's the late 3-2 defeat at Torquay and the 4-0 drubbing at Brighton and made up my mind that the seaside wasn't a lucky place for us on a Bank Holiday Monday!

Unfortunately we'd already reached the point in the season when we were looking for any lucky omen to get us a win. My Ted Baker socks responsible for a fine run in the LDV three years ago came out of mothballs, the Cheltenham broly which had brought us 3 points and kept us dry at

Whaddon Road was dusted off (although the ~~Posh~~ stewards must have known it's power as we had it confiscated at the entrance as a dangerous weapon!) and Radio One were doing their 10 Hour take over. The last time Radio One let the listeners loose on the airwaves, we went to Grimsby and collected all three points and so it seemed a good omen. Unfortunately it also meant we had to listen to other listeners

appalling choices of music. It seemed to start quite well with Spandau Ballet's Gold being pumped out at full volume (shan't tell you about my New Romantics quiff!) but once we got in to the theme from Dangermouse and Rolf Harris singing 'Two little Boys' things rapidly went downhill (even worse I knew all the words to both!). Thankfully we arrived at London Road just as Johnny Cash was singing 'hurt even more depressing than our recent games at Bloomfield Road!

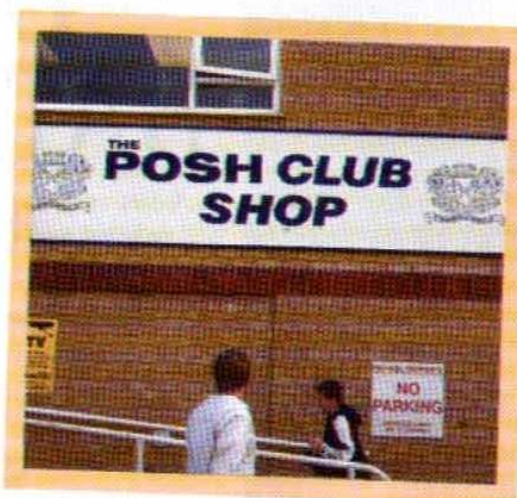
Young Mikey and myself are becoming somewhat renowned for our poor navigational skills and have made the mistake this season of saying 'this is quite an easy place to find' just before we get lost! Lo and behold the same was true on this occasion as I uttered those words just before we sailed past the junction we needed to turn off! Sod's law there then followed a 20 minute round trip before we found a junction that got us back to where we wanted to be! During this time we felt a bit like Jim Carrey in 'The Truman Show' - remember that scene where



travellers

everywhere else had blue skies but there was a cloud above his head raining on him wherever he moved! That was exactly how it was for us! Everywhere else looked like it was sunny but for some reason we were in a torrential downpour! Thankfully the blue skies in the distance were over Peterborough and when we arrived we avoided the soaking we got at London Road the last time we were there! That said, last time we ran for shelter in a KFC and this time we thought it would be a lucky omen if we went inside the same chicken establishment. Unfortunately time was against us and after we'd waited in a queue at the car park where it seemed every driver wanted to tell the attendant their life story, kick off was approaching.

First though we were relieved of £4 to park in possibly the worst car park I've ever been in! Fair enough it had some murals around it (or bad graffiti as the case may be!) but you'd have expected to get your car valeted and a free ride to the entrance for that! However the sign said it was a Posh Car Park, but there again there was a Posh Shop, a Posh Ticket Office and even a Posh bookies and for reference none of them lived up to their name! Having failed to get in to KFC we opted instead for the stadium catering.

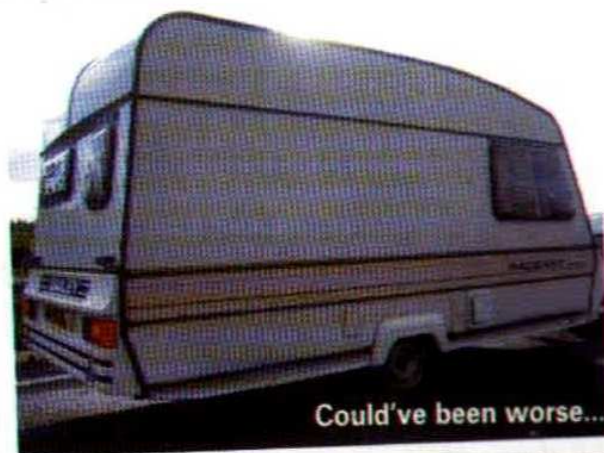


Sadly meat and potato pies weren't on the menu with the choice being chicken and mushroom or cheese and onion or alternatively one of the hot dogs, which had been built in to a nice pyramid that it seemed a shame to knock down! So I went for the chicken and mushroom and the only thing I can presume is it was the chicken's day off and there wasn't much room for the mushroom (bum bum!). Having managed a third of it, it found it's rightful place under my seat (with apologies to the cleaner who had to pick it up later but there was no way it was sharing our journey home!).

The game was frustrating as we should have won and even the fact we'd doubled our points didn't raise a smile.

On the way home the Radio One 10 Hour Take Over was on it's last legs (literally!) as Wagner's Ride of the Valkyries reminded us of the good days out at Hillsborough and Phoebe Buffay signing 'Smelly Cat' reminded us that we should give Radio One a miss the next time we travel on a Bank Holiday!

On the way home we passed caravaners looking as miserable as we did - there again we'd only had to stand inside a tin stand they'd had to live in a tin hut on wheels for the last three days! It's a fixture we were glad to leave behind us and hopefully one we won't have next year (and I mean that in a positive way!). As we got home the final song on Radio One was 'Wouldn't it be nice' by the Beach Boys - we changed the lyrics to 'Wouldn't it be nice to get a win! There again there was always Hull two weeks later!



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Dave Hatton arrived at Bloomfield Road from Bolton Wanderers in September 1969, for £40,000 and by the end of the season the Seaside were back in the top flight.

Hatton was born in Farnworth on 30th October 1943, made 259 League and Cup appearances for Bolton captaining the Trotters, before Les Shannon signed him. He made his 'Pool debut in a home win over today's visitors Swindon Town and teamed up with Glyn James and John McPhee, adding an extra dimension to the midfield as a skilful ball-winner. Alas, the following year was a disaster with relegation, and Hatton's worst moment came in a 4-3 home defeat by Chelsea, Hatton scoring the winner with a remarkable last-minute own-goal after Blackpool had been 3-0 in front. The next summer though he helped the Seaside win the Anglo-Italian Cup, and the arrival of Peter Suddaby saw him switch to full-back where he played some of his best football, continuing alongside Bill Bentley until the end of his Blackpool days. Allan Brown released him to join Bury in August 1976 and a year later he became player-manager at Gigg Lane, losing the job after the Shakers narrowly avoided relegation to Division Four in 1979.

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blast from the past...

Main pic is **DAVE BAMBER**, a very popular player with the fans here at Bloomfield Rd in his two spells here.

He is seen here (along with goalkeeper Steve McIlhargey) proudly displaying the 4th Division play-off trophy after our penalty shoot out win at Wembley in May 1992 vs Scunthorpe United.

Dave started and finished his career here at Blackpool having played for 7 other clubs in between.

Dave now runs his own very successful building company here in Blackpool.

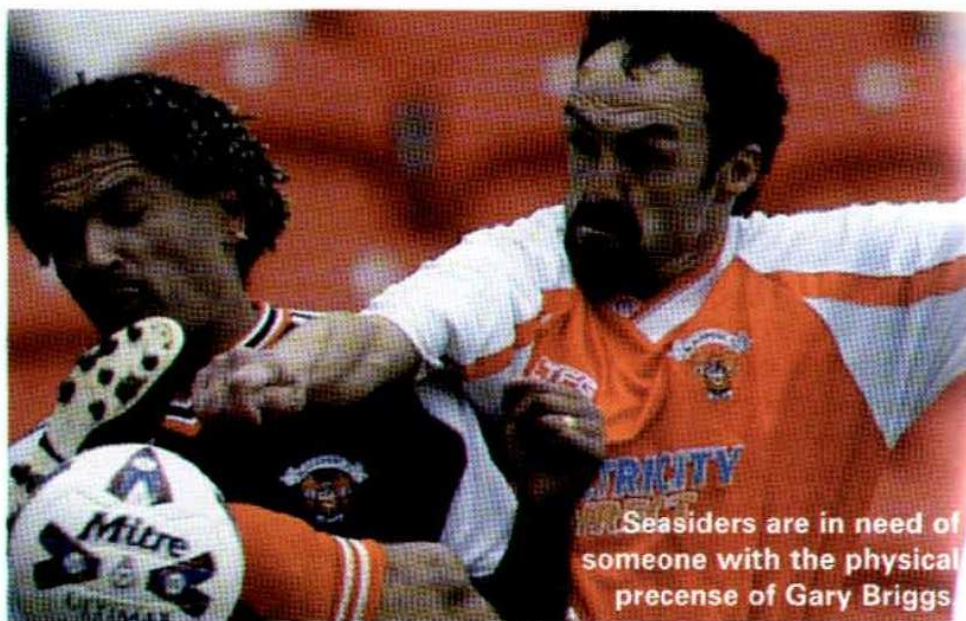


2 David Hockaday, during his time here at Blackpool (1975 to 1983) was a flying right winger. Swindon signed David in August 1983 and converted him into a fast overlapping full-back.

3 ALAN MAYES who Pool signed in September 1986 from Carlisle United. Alan only played for the Pool for a few months but his goalscoring record was excellent as he scored six times in only 12 (plus 1 sub) appearances. Alan was part of a prolific strikeforce at Swindon in tandem with Andy Rowland. His goalscoring record at Swindon in his two spells at The County Ground was very impressive as he averaged close on a goal every other game.

4 PETER NOBLE Peter started his career at his hometown club of Newcastle United where he stayed for a couple of years before signing for Swindon in January 1968. Peter stayed at The County Ground for close on 5 years scoring 62 goals in 212 (plus 4 subs) league appearances. Peter was a vastly experienced, wholehearted 100%, midfield player and played for the Pool during some traumatic times for the Club which included the ignominy of having to apply for re-election in 1982/83.

Testing times for Tangerines!
I know it will be the same for you, but imagine the stick I'm getting turning up on a Sunday morning at a golf club dominated by North End knockers.



Seasiders are in need of someone with the physical precense of Gary Briggs

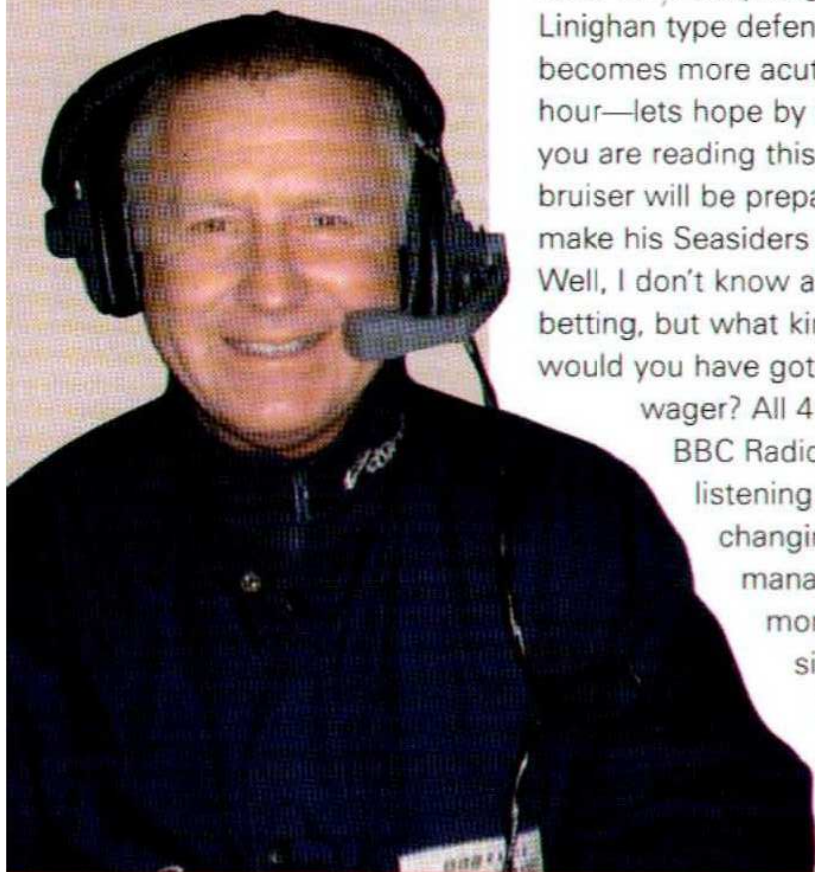
We're struggling to buy a result and driving back from Hull last week, concern turned into full blown anxiety. 2-1 could have been 6-1 and for the first time even big Colin admitted time was running out for some. The need for a Gary Briggs, David Linighan type defender becomes more acute by the hour—lets hope by the time you are reading this a big bruiser will be preparing to make his Seasiders debut. Well, I don't know about insider betting, but what kind of odds would you have got on this little wager? All 4 clubs in the

BBC Radio Lancashire listening area changing their manager in the 4 months or so since May.

Graeme Souness' somewhat

surprising departure from Ewood completed the set in the crazy roundabout that is football management . You definitely don't go into that profession if you're looking long term, but I suppose we shouldn't be surprised by anything these days. Sent off for baring your chest.....I don't think so! Finally, focus back to today and join me in clutching at positive straws. Everybody in the division—with the exception of Luton—seems capable of taking points from each other and our immediate target is 20th spot. That's occupied by Barnsley who 5 points more than us having played a game more. IF we win today, IF we win the game in hand, IF we get new blood in, IF...IF...IF

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FLASHBACK - 1987

BLACKPOOL V SWINDON TOWN

February 7th 1987



Sam Ellis



The game against Swindon Town at Bloomfield Road on 7 February 1987 was classed as "a promotion cruncher" as the visitors were in fifth position with 44 points while Blackpool were in sixth position with 42 points. Blackpool were unbeaten at home since 6 September the previous year but Swindon had an unusual record in that they had not lost a League game on a Saturday since 4 January 1986, over 20 games previously. All their League defeats since then had been either in midweek or on a Sunday. Swindon had two former Blackpool players in their line-up in Dave Bamber and Dave Hockaday. For Blackpool, manager Sam Ellis gave Mark Taylor a new striker's role alongside Paul Stewart and there was a last minute injury scare for Alex Dyer following a knock he received in the midweek draw against Bournemouth, who, with Middlesbrough, were rapidly disappearing at the top of the table. A crowd of 4,839 saw Blackpool take the lead with a Paul Stewart penalty after Hockaday pulled down John Deary. It was Stewart's 13th goal of the season, his best haul up to that point in his career. But the lead was to last only four minutes as Barry Siddall, Nicky Law and Colin Methven made a hash of clearing a corner and Dave Bamber, booed loudly by the crowd as he took the field, silenced them with a stooping header. Deary later hit the post but Bamber missed two clear-cut chances for Swindon so the game ended 1-1 when either side could have won.


After the game Ellis's comment was, "We have to buy this week if we are serious about promotion." Craig Madden, who was to join the club the following week, was his top target and chairman Ken Chadwick stated, "We'll look at any recommendations Sam wants to make and do our best to find the funds to finance the deal." **Gerry Wolstenholme**

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Good afternoon and welcome to Bloomfield Road for what is turning out to be only the second home game in 1987.

The recent weather has forced the postponement of the games with Fulham and Doncaster so we have had to content ourselves with away visits to Carlisle and Bournemouth.

On the subject of Tuesday night's game at Bournemouth I wish to publicly thank all the local business people who

were kind enough to contribute to sending the team away for a few days intensive training. This has in no doubt helped the club's quest and the point gained could be a very valuable one at the end of the season. The photo shows a group of these business people kind enough to support the club and hopefully this may spark interest amongst others in the town to come along and help at this vital time. I or any of

the directors or staff are always prepared to listen and would be most pleased if you were in a position to sponsor any of the remaining games etc. this season.
Let's hear plenty of clean vocal support for the lads today.

Sportingly
yours,

Sam Ellis

Rugby League comes to Bloomfield Road

As most of you are aware Blackpool Borough are playing the remainder of this seasons fixtures here at Bloomfield Road a list of fixtures being below. On these dates the West Stand and Paddocks only will be open and admission will be by pay at the turnstiles cost £2.80 Adults, £1.50 Juniors and OAP's.

The home fixtures are as follows:

Sunday, 1st February

Wakefield Trinity - Challenge Cup
1st Round

Sunday, 8th February

Fulham - Stones Bitter Div 2
8th March

Dewsbury - Stones Bitter Div 2

Sunday, 29th March

Bramley - Stones Bitter Div 2

Sunday, 20th April

Batley Div Stones Bitter Div 2

To be arranged - Carlisle and Swinton

Paul Stewart Print

Local Artist Richard Mason of Longridge had drawn a poster of Paul Stewart each one was signed by Paul and available from the development office for £1.50 each

Introducing Swindon Town

Today we welcome Swindon Town for their first league game at Bloomfield Road since 19th February, 1985 when we beat them with an Ian Stewart goal. At that stage they had lost only one of their previous four games here and their recent record of only one defeat in nine games suggests that they will provide us with a real test today even though they may be a little weary after their midweek F.A. Cup battle with Leeds.

Now in his third season at the helm, former Manchester United stalwart Lou Macari has seen his side kick off with a win at Bolton and they have in fact lost only three away games (at Middlesbrough, Walsall and Bournemouth though they have lost four times at home. One of their best performances was a win at Gillingham at the end of December and they

earned their fourth round tie with Leeds by a stint of F.A Cup wins over Farnborough, Enfield and Fulham. Their heaviest defeat was of course in September when we chalked up a remarkable 6-2 win at the County Ground with four goals in the first half. Our former striker DAVE BAMBER, who arrived there via Coventry, Walsall and Portsmouth has been one of Swindon's most regular scorers recently with good support from STEVE WHITE, a former Luton and Charlton man who arrived from Bristol Rovers this season. JIMMY GILLIGAN (ex-Watford and Grimsby) is another close season signing whom we may see up front today while BRYAN WADE (ex Trowbridge and Bath) may also be seen up front in this, his second season at the County Ground. In midfield CHRIS KAMARA, who has had two spells each with both Portsmouth and Swindon, and former apprentice CHARLIE HENRY provide plenty of experience and have been joined recently by former Manchester United junior ALAN McLOUGHLIN. TIM PARKIN is a new signing from Bristol Rovers doing well in defence this season and snatching the occasional goal. He may be linking up with MARK JONES, another recent newcomer in the centre with our former player DAVID HOCKADAY and LEIGH BARNARD (from Portsmouth in 1982) on the flanks and former Manchester United, England Youth cap FRASER DIGBY in goal. Another former Manchester United man PETER COYNE may be up front or in midfield today - he has snatched a number of goals recently.



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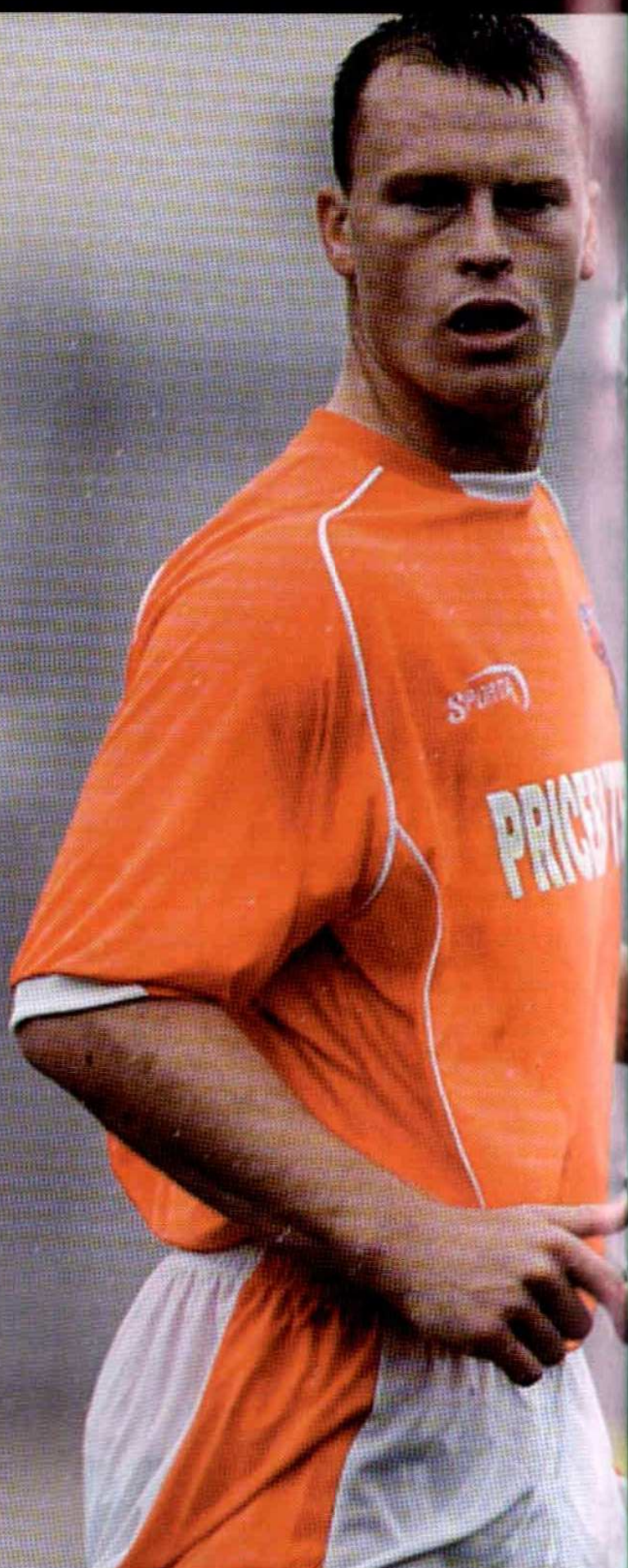
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Michael Flynn this week kept his promise to stay and fight for points at Bloomfield Road by signing for another month.

The Wigan midfielder who made his Pool debut last month against Hartlepool, resisted the temptation of returning to the Championship and instead, extended his loan to try and help Pool climb the table.

"The lads are behind the manager. We've got no reason not to be because it us who are letting him down. We're lucky the manager is still behind us."



ready for the fight...

The Latics have however insisted on a 24-hour recall clause which means they can take the busy midfielder back if the need arises but he will be able to play for the Seasiders until mid October, fitting in a further six matches.

After Pool slipping to the foot of the table the likable Welshman could have been forgiven for returning to the comfort of the JJB Stadium, but the 23-year-old has refused to jump ship.

He said, "Like everyone else I am upset with the how it's gone results wise, we haven't had a win. I want to try and put that right. I am enjoying playing here and am delighted to be staying, I want to help Blackpool move forward because I believe we are doing the right things. The management team are working their socks off," insisted

Flynn. "They have their hands tied over certain things but they are really, really trying and they are doing the right things. They are doing similar things to Wigan, but at the moment we as players are letting them down and that's that." "The lads are behind the manager. We've got no reason not to be because it us who are letting him down. We're lucky the manager is still behind us."

On his teammates Flynn nicknamed Hobbsy for his startling resemblance to Eastenders star Gary Hobbs said. "They are a real good bunch of lads here at Blackpool and they all do try. Maybe at times we're getting sloppy and it is costing us."

For the full interview with Michael log on to www.blackpoolfc.co.uk





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**Saturday 28th August
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Rob Clare
Simon Grayson
Martin Bullock
Paul Edwards
Michael Flynn
Mark McGregor
Scott Taylor
John Murphy

Substitutes

Sasa Ilic
Mike Flynn (On For
Grayson 61)
Keigan Parker (On For
Richardson 81)
Dan Coid
Gareth Evans





KIDZONE

WHICH ONE OF THESE PLAYERS
RECENTLY JOINED THE CLUB FROM
WIGAN ATHLETIC? a) MICHAEL FLYNN,
b) SCOTT VERNON, c) MIKE FLYNN



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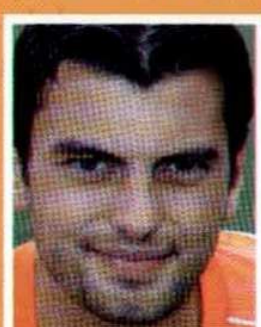
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• DANNY COLD X GARETH EVANS

3. WHO AM I?



4. YOUNG STEPHEN McMAHON
RECENTLY LEFT THE CLUB TO
JOIN WHICH CLUB ON LOAN?

5. CAN YOU
REMEMBER WHO
POOL SIGNED THE
FOLLOWING
PLAYERS FROM?

a) Lee Jones,

b) MIKE FLYNN,

c) RICHIE WELLENS

6) LAST SEASON WHEN
BLACKPOOL PLAYED SWINDON AT
BLOOMFIELD ROAD THE GAME
FINISHED 2-2. CAN YOU
REMEMBER WHO SCORED FOR
POOL?



SEASIDERS MASCOTS



ELLIOTT LAKE

Age: 6 on
Wednesday
From: Blackpool
School: Roseacre
Primary
Fave Player: Lee
Jones
Hobbies:
Swimming,
watching and
playing football

CHARLOTTE LAKE

Age: 10
From: Blackpool
School: Roseacre
Primary
Fave Player: Danny
Coid
Hobbies: Brownies,
swimming &
watching the
Seasiders



STEPHANIE HIGH

From: Kirkham
Fave Player: Martin
Bullock
Hobbies: Music,
football and animals

ROBINS MASCOT



JAMIE McGLONE

Age: 10
From: Shaw,
Swindon
School: Saltway
Primary
Fave Players: Sam
Parkin & Rory Fallon



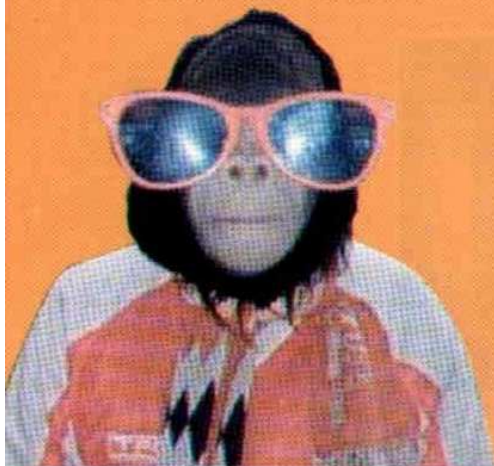
Hi there kids.

Well with only one home game in September due to the postponement of the Wrexham match we welcome the only visitors to Bloomfield Road this month Swindon Town.

Not the best of starts to the season for our team so let us all get behind the lads today and cheer them on to those elusive three points and first win of the campaign.

Training session.

The Tango club is trying to arrange a visit to see the team training and see how manager Colin Hendrey puts the squad through their paces. Hopefully it will be during the half term break next month, all the



information on this will be in your latest newsletter so watch out for that one.

Away Travel.

We had a very successful trip to a Wigan rugby league match at the beginning of this month with Tango members and families enjoying a nice change from football. We are off to Port Vale next Saturday and I know that last week there were just a few spaces left so if you want to go contact us on the usual Tango phone number 07708 044 499 for availability, and congratulations go to Rebecca Johnson who was drawn out to be the team mascot on the day. The next away trip is to Oldham on Sunday 10th October, this is priced at just £16 for adults and £8 for juniors and includes your match ticket. The game kicks off at 2.00 P.M. so the coaches will leave the Red Lion at 11.45 A.M. and the football club at 12.00 P.M. Again if you want to go contact us on the phone number above.

BIRTHDAYS.

Tango members celebrating birthdays this month are:

**MASON HINDLE
ADAM VACCHIANO
ALASDAIR POLLOCK
FRANCIS DONAGHY
JASON VACCHIANO
JAMES AIRD
MARC ORMOND
DANIEL BATE
CHRISTOPHER ATKINSON
DANIEL WILSON
LAURA WOODCOCK
WILLIAM PAGET
JOSEPH ROONRY
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MARK GRIMSHAW
KERAN LEADBITTER
LUCY HAYWARD
JAKE SMITH
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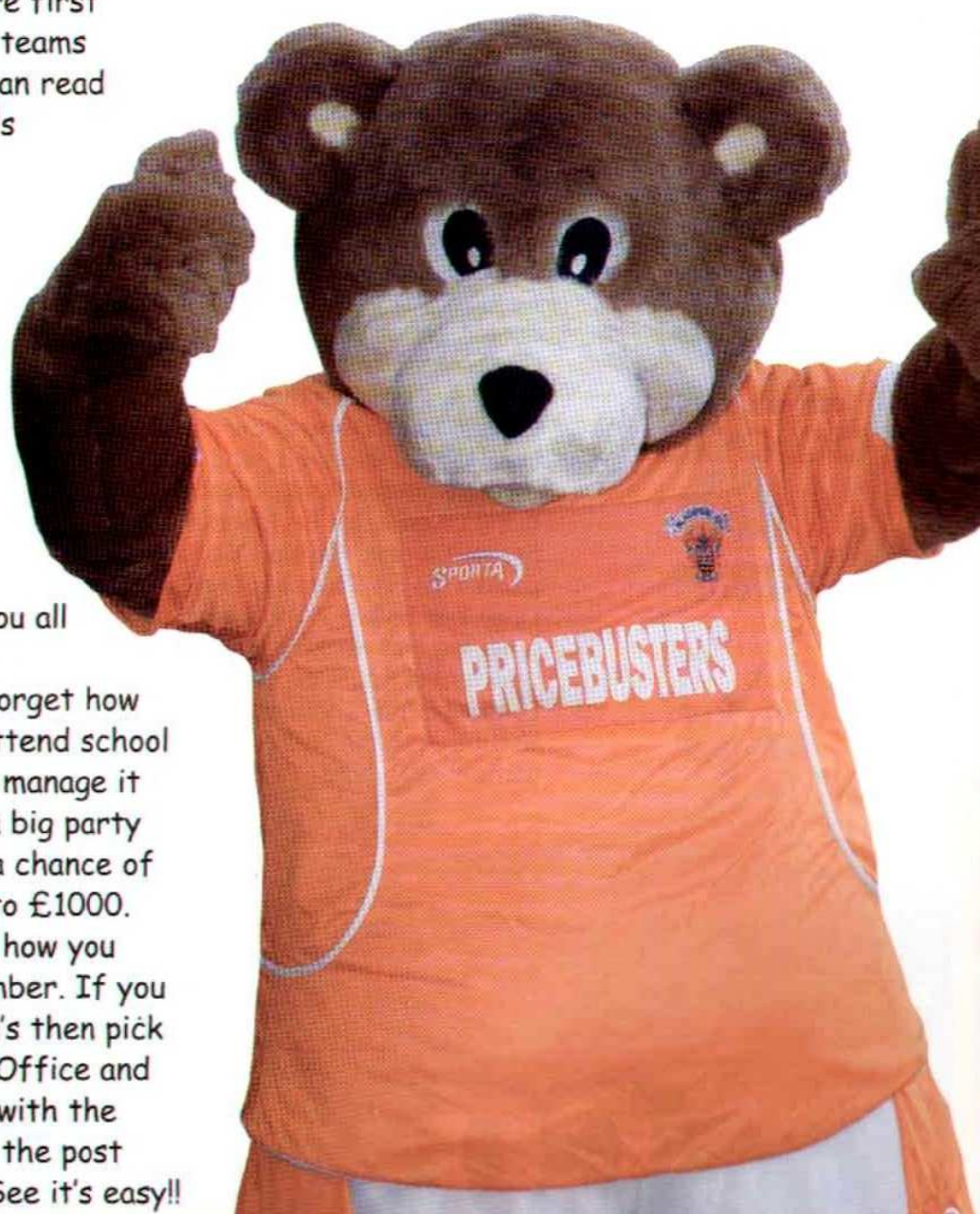
Well what can I say... We really really need a win today, we must cheer and shout as much as possible to let the lads know that we are supporting them!!! I have had a very busy week, and last weekend I was even busier supporting the Girls football department at the training ground. It was there first league games, and all three teams were playing at home. You can read the full write up on the Girls Football page. I would just like to Congratulate them all on their success.

Now that everyone is back at school I have been sent a lot of invitations inviting me into school assemblies and PE lessons, so thank you to you all - my friend Helen and I will be coming round very shortly to see you all again to promote the 100% attendance scheme. Don't forget how important it is for you to attend school every single day, and if you manage it then you will be invited to a big party held here at the club with a chance of winning a holiday worth up to £1000. I was asked recently about how you become a Junior Tango member. If you would like to join the Tango's then pick up a form from the Ticket Office and get you parents to fill it in with the joining fee and return it to the post box within the club shop... See it's easy!!

Don't Delay, Join today!!!!

Anyway let's get back to the most important thing today and that's hopefully, walking away with 3 points. C u at half time, don't forget to wave.

Lots of Love BBxx



After a busy six weeks of soccer Schools we are now back in our term work, with in school and after school coaching.



Our schools work will continue until October half term when we are running three venues again for our soccer schools.

October half term Soccer Schools will run from Monday 25th – Friday 29th October and will run at Bispham High, Highfield High and our NEW VENUE at Fleetwood High School. Our Fleetwood High venue will run in conjunction with Blackburn Rovers. We had two weeks in the summer where we worked together at Millfield and it worked really well. We are very pleased to be able to bring our Soccer Schools to Fleetwood High with its excellent new facilities and hope we will run Schools here for many years to come.

All our Soccer Schools are open to Boys and Girls aged between 5 and 12 years old and run from 8.30am – 4.30pm.

Anyone wishing to book a place for any of our Soccer Schools or needing any more information please contact Derek or Lyn at the Community Office.

We would like take this opportunity to congratulate one of our coaches, Lee Morton, (pictured) who has recently finished and passed with flying colours, his BA Honours in Sports Studies. He has also just passed his FA Coaching Certificate Level 2 at Bolton Wanderers. Lee is a great lad and we wish him all the best for his future career with Football in the Community. Good luck to the lads for today's game.

Derek and the Community Staff.



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Accrington Stanley... Who are they?

They will certainly not be asking who Blackpool FC Girls are??? Both the U11s and U12 A team played them on Sunday 12th September at home, the weather conditions were horrendous but the excitement and enthusiasm from the girls paid off with both teams winning 4 - 1. The very first hat-trick (within the league) was scored by Chloe Bracegirdle of the U11s with the remaining goal coming from May Lavelle. The goals from the U12 As came from Hannah Woodbridge (Cpt), Bethany Fisher and two from Katie Gledhill. Both coaches were very happy with the performances from each team, and when they all reached the dressing room to dry off and get warm - it was only then that we realized all the hard work, dedication, and commitment from every single person concerned had been worth it. A game that we were all very nervous about, also took place at the weekend. Saturday 11th September, Blackpool FC U12 B team played host to Preston North End. A team that have been together for over 3 years and have a very high reputation already within the league. The girls really came together as a team, they remembered everything

that they had been told, including "Don't let your head drop if they score"... and they didn't. PNE went 1 - 0 up but our girls carried on giving their all, and when the final whistle blew at 1 - 0 to PNE we shouted for joy... that was an excellent performance and I couldn't have asked any one of them for any more said their coach Kevin Christie. Overall - the weekend was a huge success for the Girls and we can't wait for the next games. Some other results that we have to tell you about are the friendlies that were played prior to last weekend -

Blackpool FC U12 A v Wigan 3 - 0
Blackpool FC U12 A v Lammock 1 - 1

This weekends games are all away, so a full write up will be in the next home game programme. If you would like to support the girls, the next home game is Blackpool FC U12 A v Blackpool FC U12 B at the Training Ground on Sunday 26th September at 2.00pm.

Go Get em Girls!!!!
Helen

"The girls really came together as a team, they remembered everything that they had been told, including "Don't let your head drop if they score".



"Some of the Girls from the Development centre with their coaches enjoying the match"

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Welcome to Bloomfield Road everybody for this afternoon's match against Swindon Town. After 8 competitive games without a win this season, it would be easy to panic and term the situation as a crisis, whilst the situation is not ideal, we must put our thoughts on the position aside for 90 minutes and get behind the team. As a Scotland fan nobody wants Colin to succeed in management more than I do but at the moment things have not gone his way. Whilst the training and work ethic has undoubtedly improved, results and performances have not mirrored the hard work Colin and his team are putting in. Everyone has their own idea of the best eleven at the club, personally I would like to see both Gareth Evans and Richard Wellens back in the team. I would also like to see assistant manager Billy Dearden in the dugout alongside Colin and Ian advising when necessary. At the moment many supporters don't realise Billy is watching the game from the stands and is sharing his thoughts at half-time.

All we can do as supporters is to give the team the best possible support and hope things turn around quickly. For those that use the Internet BSA have now launched their new website. It is called www.bsaweb.info. Use the new site to view travel details and check Bingoal cards amongst other things. To coincide with this there is also a new wapsite for mobile phones called www.bsawap.info.

For those that prefer the written word hopefully by now all members should have received the September Newsletter. In it are details of discounts that can be obtained in various local businesses on production of your BSA membership card.

The BSA travelling faithful have been to a couple of different places en route

to the away matches recently. On the way to Hartlepool we paid a visit to Sedgfield where Tony Blair is of course the MP. During the course of a mini pubcrawl we went into the pub that George Bush visited last year. Then on the way to Hull last week we stopped off in Beverley where some members had a tour round the old minster (to me it looks like it could do with its windows being cleaned) whereas others sampled the local hostelrys and indulged in some Abbot Ale (very nice).

One new aspect to travel is that due to circumstances beyond BSA control under 18's can only travel on condition of completing an indemnity form signed by a parent or legal guardian. The reason for this is solely for insurance purposes. These forms can be obtained from the BSA notice board in the club shop or from any committee member in the Number One Club prior to Saturday home games.

Next away game is of course at Port Vale next Saturday. The coach leaves the Red Lion at 11am and costs £12 if paid on the day. This season instead of awarding loyalty points for a free trip the 'first goalscorer' competition is free and if not won it rolls over to the following away game. It has not been won yet this season so the prize on offer on the Port Vale trip is £70. If you would like to see any Pool away games this season then contact Janet to book in the Number One Club prior to home games or phone her on the BSA hotline on 07753 405628.

Note that by paying in advance you can save £2 per trip. Also note that due to lack of interest there will not be a trip to York City for the LDV Cup match so we will just have to go under our own steam.

blackpool disabled supporters association

Welcome to all the disabled supporters from Swindon.

I can't really comment on the performances at Hartlepool and Crewe as I was on an under water diving holiday in Devon, well it certainly felt like that with all the wind and rain over there. I swear I woke up one morning and saw an arc on the horizon beckoning me on board!

Well done to Colin and the lads for getting their first point at Hartlepool, first of many hopefully. Crewe well and truly beat us in a cup we never do well in. Peterborough was three points thrown away as we could and should have won. Luton was best forgotten firstly for our second half collapse after looking good and leading 1-0 at half time. Then a surprise 50th birthday party thrown by neighbour Louise at a hotel owned by a Luton fan. I was sat at a table with a table of Luton fans behind me and a framed Luton shirt in front of me, not what you want after a 3-1 defeat, having said that, they were great people and I had a great night. Next Saturday we are at Port Vale where disabled supporters are charged £5 and their helpers £16.

Enjoy the game.

Chris Beveridge

(Disabled Liaison Officer)

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FLASHBACK

After finishing fifth the season before, Pool were installed as favourites for promotion with manager Allan Brown making encouraging statements about the future. The Seasiders play was open and enjoyable and although they conceded many goals, they could also score plenty. The team were shaping up nicely and were occupying a position on the verge of a promotion place when the unthinkable happened. After an acrimonious meeting with the board, Allan Brown left Bloomfield Road.

The reason remains obscure even to this day.



Peter Sudaby

17th September 1977

Blackpool 0 Tottenham Hotspur 2

Manager Allan Brown made one change to the side that beat Blackburn seven days earlier with Paul Hart replacing Stan McEwan, despite having several clear cut chances Pool couldn't find a way through and went down 2-0.

Pool's line up that day was, Ward, Gardner, Harrison, Hart, Ronson, Suddaby, Ainscow (McEwan), Chandler, Walsh, Hatton, Finnigan

How It All Turned Out

Following Brown's departure in the February, Pool fell away, winning only one more game and eventually suffering relegation to the Third Division for the first time in the club's history. The Seasiders didn't fare any better in the cup competitions losing 4-1 at West Brom in the FA Cup and 5-3 on aggregate at the first hurdle in the League Cup. What we were wearing

Disco fashion peaked with the release of seminal dance movie Saturday Night Fever. Shiny white polyester pants shot off the shelves like they were going out of fashion - which they very soon would be.



FLARES - It all began on ships. The Naval uniform was the inspiration for the bellbottoms of the 60s. Then came something that looked...

uncannily similar. Actually there were differences. Flares evolved from the radical bellbottom style that had been promoted by hippies. They had a more subtle shape and were flared from the knee down. The circumference at the hem was much smaller than on bellbottoms (more like the 'boot cut' of the millennium). The flared-leg boogied on until the end of the decade alongside skin-tight disco wear.

Locally...

Blackpool Pleasure Beach commissioned the Steeplechase, which consisted of single horses, each capable of carrying two riders, racing on three parallel tracks around a figure-of-eight course half a mile long. The illuminations were switched on by Red Rum



1977 the year that was...



Street parties and bonfires marked the Royal Jubilee with the country celebrating the Queen's silver jubilee. The British nation took a racehorse to its heart after Red Rum won the Grand National for a third time. The King of rock and roll Elvis Presley was found dead at his Graceland mansion whilst two months later Bing Crosby passed away. In sport Liverpool became European Champions beating Borussia Mönchengladbach 3-1 and Virginia Wade became Wimbledon champion.

What were we listening to?

Mull of Kintyre - 'Mull of Kintyre' stands as a testament to how even the most gifted songwriters can turn out a real turkey at Christmas time. Despite featuring a chorus of bagpipes and being released at the height of the punk explosion, the song stayed at Number One for a staggering nine weeks - finally being knocked off the top of the chart by Althia and Donna with 'Uptown Top Ranking' on February 4th, 1978.



Elsewhere UK Number Ones included, **When I Need You** - Leo Sayer, **Don't Give Up On Us** - David Soul and **Don't Cry For Me Argentina** - Julie Covington

And the toy of the year?

Slime - An enduring schoolyard favourite, this (usually) green gunk could be bought in small plastic pots from any newsagent in the Summer of 1977.

Perfect for lobbing down the neck of your mate's new polyester T-shirt, this PVA goo could later be bought complete with rubber worms - 'worms in slime' or body parts - 'Satan's slime'.

Silly Putty - it stretches, it bounces, it gets fluff stuck all over it - also gained new popularity in the wake of Slime's arrival.

Later, its cousin - **Glo Putty** - became even more successful, despite many parents fearing it was radioactive and refusing to let their children have it.



On the screen...

Star Wars - Shot on a shoestring with a cast of unknowns, this sci-fi epic has become one of the most successful movies of all time. It made stars of Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, and (for a while) Mark Hamill, introduced a whole new generation of special effects to the cinema, and spawned a range of spin-off toys that set a trend for merchandising which continues to this day.



Saturday Night Fever - The film that encapsulated the disco era and made John Travolta a star. Featuring classic hits from the Bee Gees, Tavares, and KC and the Sunshine Band, Saturday Night Fever tells the tale of Brooklyn disco king Tony Manero. He works six days a week at the local paint store, just so he can live it up on Saturday night. Most people remember the dazzling dance sequences on the 'kaleidoscopic' underlit dance floor, but forget the film's subtext - as Manero starts to question his narrow-minded view of women and the world. Without doubt, a classic.

Close Encounters of The Third Kind - Another hit for director Steven Spielberg (Jaws, Sugarland Express), who finally won a directorial Oscar with this sci-fi fairytale. Friendly aliens visit Planet Earth, communicating their message of interstellar love with the help of a moog synthesiser and a stylish set of flashing disco lights.

The Krypton Factor - In the wake of the success of the Superman film, ITV launched its own quest to find the cleverest, fittest, and most dextrous Briton. Gordon Burns hosted the contest, which involved completing oversized jigsaws, playing a grown up version of T spy, and - the highlight for most viewers - hurtling across an army assault course, Gladiators-style. The show ran for a staggering 18 years.



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TODAY'S visitors to Bloomfield Road Swindon were slammed by boss Andy King following their home defeat at the hands of Peterborough last week.

King admitted that he couldn't find an explanation for the performance which saw them beaten by a side he described as "average."

Administration-bound Bradford City have set their sights on Darlington centre-half Matt Clarke, brother of former Blackpool player Chris. However, boss Colin Todd has his hands tied by Football League rules which limit the number of signings made by clubs in financial difficulties, and as a result is hoping to agree a player-swap.

Staying with clubs in financial turmoil, Sheffield Wednesday will be forced to refund a number of fans after it was announced that their controversial Away Club Card was to be scrapped. The card was originally introduced to remove the troublesome minority of the club's large travelling support, but has generated little interest.

Bristol City boss Brian Tinnion has praised defender Kevin Amankwaah for his hard work which should see him return to action in the near future, following ten months on the sidelines with a serious knee injury. Tinnion added that the 22-year-old must get some reserve team football under his belt before making the step up but Amankwaah will simply be happy to be playing again - this was his second prolonged spell of rehabilitation after being injured in a serious car crash two years ago.

Closer to home, Pool fans were buoyed by statistics that proved their side's slow start could be rectified throughout the course of the campaign. In the past twelve seasons, only four of the side's bottom of League One at the end of August have gone on to be relegated.

Meanwhile, former Seasiders loanee Neil Danns was voted man of the match on his Colchester debut at Bournemouth last weekend. Danns, who spent three months at Bloomfield Road last season, abandoned his duties as captain of Blackburn's second string to enhance his first team experience.

We end this week with news of a hectic seven days for Wrexham defender Dennis Lawrence, who could have been excused for not completely focussing on the Welsh club's clash with Bradford last Saturday after being caught up in Hurricane Ivan. After helping his native Trinidad to a win over St Kitts and Nevis before they later lost out to Mexico, Lawrence endured a near two-day plane journey before dragging himself out of bed for the bread-and-butter of League One action. Far from showing his fatigue, he scored the only goal of the game after just 80 seconds.

Mark Orr



Pictured:
Kevin Amankwaah.
Nearing full fitness.

the voice

Over the summer I had the pleasure of meeting the voice of football John Motson. In today's match day programme we share with you the memories and thoughts of the governor of football commentary.

Right, let's start at the beginning when a career in television was but a distant dream for John. So to find out how things began, it's over to John, "Well I started as an 18-year-old newspaper reporter on the Barnet press in Hertfordshire. I did 4 years apprenticeship there before moving to the Morning Telegraph in Sheffield where I was a sports writer and sub editor, I covered Sheffield United and Sheffield Wednesday and then went freelance briefly to Radio Sheffield I then got a job in London on BBC Radio 2, which was before Five Live of course, as a presenter and commentator. My break into television came in 1971 when I was asked to join Match of the Day and I have been there ever since.

PREPERATIONS

Now then onto preparations for a game I imagine a man as meticulous as John must spend about three days locked in a room

surrounded by statistics books in order to have every eventuality covered, am I right John? "No not quite, I would put in a day and a half's research before I do a game. I try to see both teams play if I can, if not then on video, and if the worst comes to the worst, I would go to a training session. I like to identify all the players pretty quickly, which is the basis of the job really. I also keep a book with all my stats, facts and figures in; well my wife does. I refer a lot to that. I read programmes and newspapers and try to draw a sort of crib sheet, which I use during the game. I use all different coloured pens, and when the game is over I sometimes frame this and send them to an auction or a charity as a souvenir."

RESEARCH

While we're on the subject of research, I read that a well-known fellow commentator would carry all his Rothaman's Year Books around with him, is this something John does? "No, that's not me, I'm afraid, if I haven't done the stats before I leave the home, they're not going to get done. I believe everything I need to do should have been signed sealed in my office at home. Obviously you are going to check things when you get there, but I don't think the statistics should get in the way of the match. Once I leave home I am leaving my brain open for what's going to happen during the game."

GOOD OR BAD

As a footballer no matter what level you are playing at, you know when you have had a good or bad


game and I put it to John that it must be the same as a football commentator. "Yes, that's right, you feel sometimes when a game is over, you could have done better. You've either made a slip of the tongue or you have missed something that's happened in the game. You do go through self-examination; similarly you get on a big high when you do a game that goes really well for you. It can take you in any direction it wants really. I think, generally speaking, the more exciting the game, the better it is for the commentator. It's quite hard when you get a 0-0 draw."

FAVOURITE TEAM

Have you ever wondered, when you hear a commentator wildly describing a goal, what it would be like if was against his favourite team? Would he, deep down, be kicking his chair and pulling his hair out, or does his professionalism mean he could never support a team. "Well, I think you know the answer to that one, I can't support a team in the job I do, but I'll let you into a little secret, I have an affection for Ipswich Town because I went to school in Suffolk. I watched a lot of Charlton and Chelsea in my youth with my father, but when you do the job I do, and the game starts, the only time you feel slightly biased or patriotic is when you are covering England, and I think you can allow yourself a little bit of latitude then."

"On club football though, I am so busy doing what I am doing, I'm not really hoping any side wins. I'm jut there to commentate as fairly as I can on the game."

of football.



JOHN MOTSON FACTFILE

Born: Salford

Birthday: 10th July 1945

Nickname: "Motty"

Favourite Ground: Portman Road

Best Friend In The Game: Garth Crooks

If you hadn't become a commentator
what would you have done? A Newspaper
Reporter

Hobbies: Jogging, going to the cinema,
collecting football books.

Boyhood Hero: Sam Bartram

Likes: Horseracing, eating out, good red
wine

Dislikes: Loud music, driving in the rain.

Favourite TV Programme: Silent Witness

Which Newspaper do you buy? Daily

Telegraph

Best Referee: Dermot Gallagher

Clarke Back.

The Seasideers have bolstered their defensive ranks late yesterday afternoon by finally landing long-term target Peter Clarke from Everton.

Clarke who impressed during a loan spell at Bloomfield Road two years ago has joined the club on a month's loan, although a deal has been agreed with the Goodison Park club to make Clarke's move to Bloomfield Road a permanent one during the loan period.

Former manager Steve McMahon brought the 22-year-old to the club on the eve of the 2002/3 Season with Clarke making his debut in the Tangerines 2-0 opening day defeat at Bristol City.

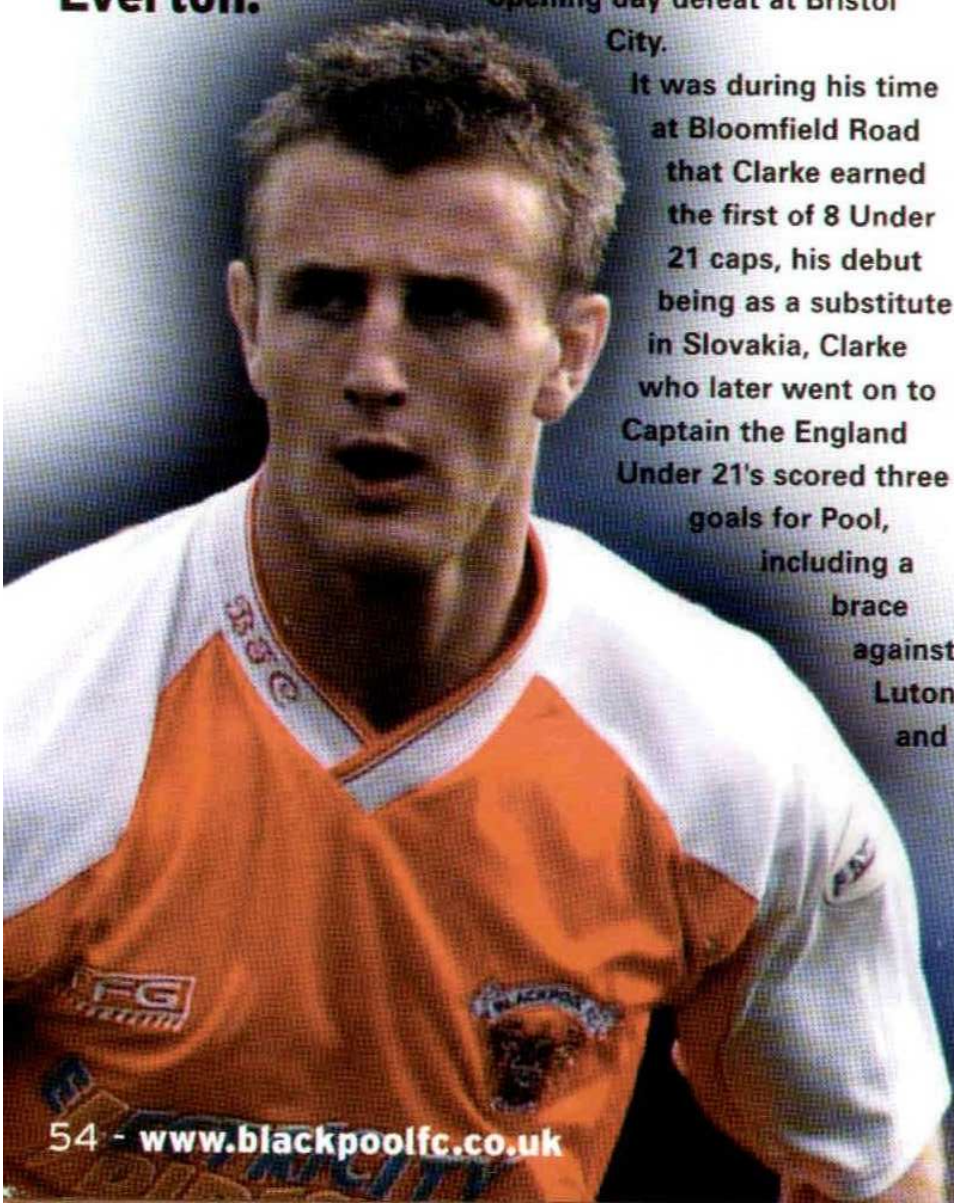
It was during his time at Bloomfield Road that Clarke earned the first of 8 Under 21 caps, his debut being as a substitute in Slovakia, Clarke who later went on to Captain the England Under 21's scored three goals for Pool, including a brace against Luton and

one against Port Vale, a club he later represented on loan.

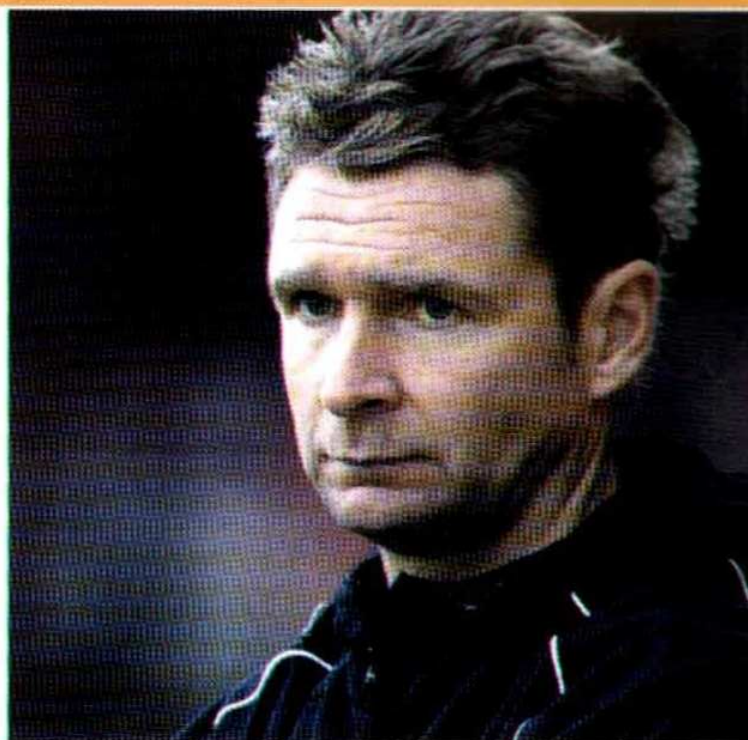
Following the impressive loan spell, Clarke returned to Goodison Park and Pool were unable to reach an agreement with The Toffees in respect of a permanent move.

Clarke who remained a target for Blackpool found his chances limited on Merseyside and in February 2003, Brian Horton took the six-foot centre back to Vale Park where he went on to make 13 starts.

Last season was another one of frustration for Clarke and once again Pool were linked several times him, but in February Clarke was offered the chance of first team football at Coventry City. After 5 starts for the Sky Blues, which included a sending off against Cardiff City, Peter returned to Everton. At the end of the campaign Clarke's contract expired and despite Everton offering a new deal Clarke turned down the offer wanting first team football. Pool once again enquired about Clarke but owing to his age and Everton's demands financially Clarke remained on a month to month contract, but after Pool boss Colin Hendry and chairman Karl Oyston had chipped away the Toffees agreed to let Clarke join the Seasideers.



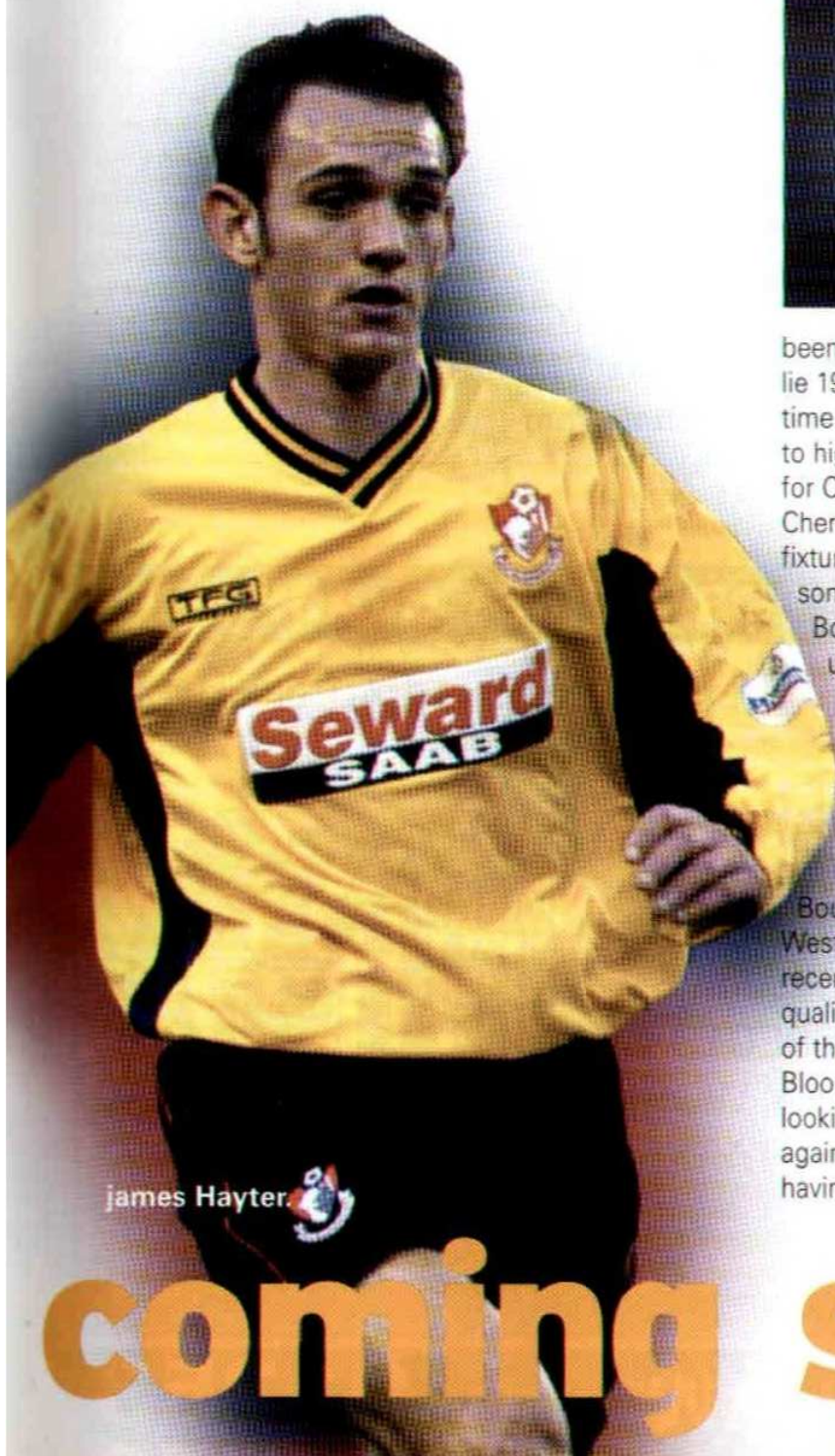
BOURNEMOUTH are the next visitors to Bloomfield Road and although they're six points better off than Pool at the moment, boss Sean O' Driscoll will be looking for an improvement in his side's recent form. Results have so far been up and down for the Cherries and they currently lie 19th with two wins, two draws and four defeats. Last time out, Bournemouth were turned over 3-1 at home to high flying Colchester. Their wins have so far come at the expense of MK Dons and Wrexham. Results have so far



been up and down for the Cherries and they currently lie 19th with two wins, two draws and four defeats. Last time out, Bournemouth were turned over 3-1 at home to high flying Colchester. It will no doubt be a hard battle for Colin Hendry's men and Pool's record against the Cherries is less than impressive. But this is the sort of fixture that Pool really should be winning in order to get some confidence boosting points on the board.

Bournemouth are always a fairly solid side, unspectacular, but well organised and difficult to break down. The South coast side lost striker Warren Feeney to Stockport in the summer but can still call on the goal threat of James Hayter who famously grabbed the fastest hat trick ever in league football last season. Welshman Carl Fletcher who was consistently one of

Bournemouth's key performers has also moved on, to West Ham for £275,000. Arsenal starlet John Spicer recently joined O'Driscoll's men and should add some quality to their midfield. Last season Pool turned in one of their worst performances as they went down 2-1 at Bloomfield Road to the Cherries. Bournemouth are looking forward to a money spinning Carling Cup tie against our Lancashire neighbours Blackburn Rovers, having seen off Leyton Orient in Round One.



James Hayter

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Seasiders Questions

- 1 Which non league side did the Seasiders beat 4-0 in the FA cup 1st round last season?
- 2 How many current Premiership sides did the Seasiders face in cup competitions last season?
- 3 Who scored his only League goal for the Seasiders in a 3-0 away win at Wycombe in January 2004?
- 4 Against which team did Blackpool have their last victory under Steve McMahon's management?
- 5 Which club beat the Seasiders 5-0 at Bloomfield Road in the 2000/01 Worthington Cup 2nd round, the away leg ending in a 3-3 draw?
- 6 Brett Ormerod scored a hat trick in a 4-2 away win against which club in September 2001?
- 7 Who was the Blackpool goalkeeper when Barnet beat the Seasiders 7-0 in November 2000?
- 8 How many caps did the Seasiders most-capped player, Jimmy Armfield win for England - 37, 43 or 48?
- 9 In February 1987 the Seasiders won 6-1 in successive league games. Who were their two opponents?
- 10 Who was sent off on his Seasiders debut against Burnley on Boxing Day 1972?



Brett Ormerod Q6

Luton Questions

- 1 Which Swindon player scored on both the first and last day of the 2003/04 League season?
- 2 Who was the only team to score 4 goals against Swindon in the 2003/04 League season?
- 3 Who was the only team to do the double over The Robins last season?
- 4 Who has made just one league appearance for Swindon in each of the last two seasons?
- 5 Apart from Swindon Alan Reeves has made over 100 league appearances for which other league club?
- 6 Who scored his one and only league goal for The Robins in a 1-0 win against Colchester in September 2001?
- 7 Who did John Trollope succeed as manager of Swindon in 1980?
- 8 When Swindon won the League cup in 1969 who did they beat 6-5 on aggregate in a 3 match semi-final?
- 9 Which Swindon player scored 5 goals in a game against QPR in 1926 and again against Norwich in 1930?
- 10 Who beat Swindon the last time they reached the FA cup semi final in 1912?



Alan Reeves Q5

General Footie

- 1 Which ground hosted the Conference Play off final between Shrewsbury and Aldershot in May 2004?
- 2 Who won the PFA Player Young Player of The Year award in 2004?
- 3 Which team has been relegated in each of the last two seasons?
- 4 For which club is Teddy Sheringham the all-time leading scorer?
- 5 Which Arsenal player was sent off in the first two games of the 2000/01 Premiership season?
- 6 At which club did England defender Gareth Southgate begin his league career?
- 7 Which goalkeeper made his league debut for Manchester United in April 2001, at the age of 37?
- 8 Which current Conference side beat Manchester United 3-0 at Old Trafford in the 1995/96 Coca Cola Cup?
- 9 Dave Stringer and Ken Brown both managed which current Premiership club in the 1980's?
- 10 Which country reached the World Cup Final for the last time in 1954?



Gareth Southgate Q6

Questions supplied by Andy Taylor, author of the CD
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Britannia Stadium (Stoke), Scott Parker, Grimsby, Millwall, Patrick Vieira, Crystal Palace, Andy Goram, York City, Norwich City, Hungary

Sammy Igoe, Peterborough, Plymouth, Luke Garrard, Rochdale, Neil Ruddock, Bobby Smith Burnley, Harry Morris, Barnsley

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unbeaten run comes to an end...

The Seasiders unbeaten start to the Pontins League season came to an end at Wrexham Wednesday afternoon, with Pool disappointingly going down 1-0 at the Racecourse. Pool who included first team hopefuls Sasa Ilic, Gareth Evans, Phil Doughty, Simon Wiles and Jamie Burns along with transfer listed Richie Wellens found life tough against a bright and lively Wrexham side who won the majority of second balls, something coach Simon Grayson acknowledged constantly from the touchline, the veteran defender constantly barking reminders to his team about the importance of second ball and sticking with runners.

The hosts began proceedings at a sun drenched Racecourse ground attacking the old Kop stand and after just sixty seconds the Welshmen had a corner after Sean Lawlor under no pressure headed behind, a minute later Mark Jones fired straight at Sasa Ilic as the hosts enjoyed the majority of the early pressure. Andrew Mangan fired straight at Baker in the Wrexham goal on four minutes following neat work from Richie Wellens and Simon Wiles, but it was Wrexham's Griff Jones who should have opened the scoring on 8 minutes, Pool failed to deal with a right wing cross from Kieran Quinn, the ball fell to Jones unmarked ten yards out but the trialist fired high and wide. That chance seemed to waken the Seasiders, Simon Wiles pin point cross to Andrew Mangan, saw the young striker snatch his shot whilst Richie Wellens fired wide on 13 minutes.

Three minutes later Pool were denied three times in quick succession with some brave goalkeeping from Matt Baker, Baker parried a Danny Whittaker shot before blocking strikes from Jamie Burns and Andrew Mangan.

Both sides continued to press for an opener with Andrew Mangan and Jamie Burns both firing over before the break for Pool whilst Levi Mackin and Mark Jones came close for the home side.

Half Time Wrexham 0 Blackpool 0

Wrexham came out of the traps quicker once again and thirty seconds after the re-start Matty Shaw was unlucky to see his far post header rebound back off the cross bar with Ilic beaten.

Gareth Evans surging run on 51 minutes almost provided the opener, Evans skipped past three challenges before releasing Jamie Burns who saw his first time shot deflected behind for a corner.

The deadlock was finally broken on 55 minutes, a long ball over the top saw Ilic race out to force Jones wide, with the young striker seemingly away from danger, he somehow managed to fire a shot through the crowd and beyond Ilic. Wrexham should have added a second two minutes later a fine piece of skill from Griff Jones released Shaw, who saw his first time shot well saved by Ilic.

Reserve Team coach Simon Grayson made his first substitution of the afternoon just after the hour, replacing the ineffective Andrew Mangan with first year scholar Jonathan Goulding, the change saw Dean Gorre switch to a centre forward role with Goulding joining Wellens in the midfield.

Four minutes later Pool made a second change with Matthew Lawlor replacing older brother Sean. Despite the changes it was Wrexham who enjoyed the majority of possession, Griff Jones, Matty Shaw and Mark Jones all dangerous on the break. Pool's final substitution saw Simon Wiles replaced by James Foran with just over quarter of an hour remaining.

Pool: Ilic, S Lawlor (M Lawlor 65), Parle, Doughty, Evans, Wiles (Foran 74), Burns, Wellens, Gorre, Mangan (Goulding 61), Whittaker. Subs Not Used: Edge, Clancy

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3 Tranmere	8	4	0	0	9	3	0	3	1	1	2	5	15	19	
4 Hull	8	3	0	1	5	2	2	0	2	7	8	2	15	19	
5 Chesterfield	8	3	1	0	8	4	1	1	2	3	4	3	14	18	
6 Huddersfield	8	2	1	1	6	3	2	0	2	7	5	5	13	19	
7 Port Vale	8	3	0	1	9	7	1	1	2	5	5	2	13	19	
8 Wrexham	7	3	1	0	6	3	1	0	2	3	4	2	13	19	
9 Doncaster	8	3	1	0	7	2	1	0	3	5	10	0	13	20	
10 Brentford	8	4	0	0	10	4	0	1	3	4	12	-2	13	19	
11 Swindon	8	2	0	2	7	5	2	0	2	6	6	2	12	19	
12 Sheff Wed	8	1	2	1	2	4	2	1	1	9	8	-1	12	19	
13 Bristol City	8	2	1	1	11	4	1	1	2	4	7	4	11	21	
14 Peterborough	8	2	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	5	6	2	11	21	
15 Hartlepool	8	2	2	0	6	4	1	0	3	5	8	-1	11	22	
16 Oldham	8	3	0	1	13	8	0	1	3	2	7	0	10	19	
17 Bradford	8	1	1	2	6	7	2	0	2	3	3	-1	10	18	
18 Walsall	8	2	2	0	9	7	0	2	2	6	10	-2	10	21	
19 Bournemouth	8	1	2	1	6	7	1	0	3	4	5	-2	8	21	
20 Barnsley	8	1	1	2	6	7	0	3	1	5	6	-2	7	18	
21 Torquay	8	0	2	2	4	9	1	1	2	3	3	-5	6	22	
22 Milton Keynes Dons	8	1	1	2	3	5	0	1	3	5	10	-7	5	21	
23 Stockport	8	0	1	3	3	7	1	0	3	6	11	-9	4	19	
24 Blackpool	7	0	0	3	2	9	0	2	2	2	5	-10	2	20	

TEAM WITH THE MOST...

shots on target	
Bristol City	68
shots off target	
Hull	54
corners	
Brentford	60
hit woodwork	
Luton, Oldham, Peterborough, Stockport, Walsall	4
offsides	
Luton	59
fouls	
Chesterfield	127
yellow cards	
Bradford	19
red cards	
Bournemouth, Chesterfield, Port Vale, Walsall	2

CURRENT FORM

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton	6	5	1	0	10	4	16
Tranmere	6	3	3	0	8	3	12
Swindon	6	4	0	2	10	6	12
Bristol City	6	3	1	2	13	8	10
Oldham	6	3	1	2	12	10	10
Port Vale	6	3	1	2	9	7	10
Chesterfield	6	3	1	2	8	7	10
Wrexham	6	3	1	2	7	6	10
Brentford	6	3	1	2	9	10	10
Doncaster	6	3	1	2	7	8	10
Huddersfield	6	3	0	3	10	6	9
Colchester	6	3	0	3	11	8	9
Sheff Wed	6	2	3	1	9	8	9
Bradford	6	3	0	3	6	6	9
Hull	6	3	0	3	8	10	9
Hartlepool	6	2	2	2	8	9	8
Peterborough	6	2	1	3	6	5	7
Bournemouth	6	2	1	3	8	9	7
Walsall	6	1	3	2	10	13	6
Torquay	6	1	2	3	6	8	5
MK Dons	6	1	1	4	5	11	4
Stockport	6	1	1	4	5	12	4
Barnsley	6	0	3	3	8	11	3
Blackpool	6	0	2	4	4	12	2

LEADING SCORERS

Player Team	Apps	Lge	FA	CC	LDV	Tot
Leroy Lita Bristol City	9	6	0	1	0	7
Dean Windass Bradford	9	5	0	1	0	6
Tcham N'Toya Chesterfield	9	5	0	0	0	5
Pawel Abbott Huddersfield	9	5	0	0	0	5
Steve Howard Luton	9	5	0	0	0	5
Matt Fryatt Walsall	8	5	0	0	0	5
Stephen Brooker Port Vale	8	5	0	0	0	5
Stuart Elliott Hull	8	5	0	0	0	5
Craig Fagan Colchester	9	4	0	1	0	5
James Hayter Bournemouth	9	4	0	1	0	5
Sam Parkin Swindon	9	4	0	0	0	4
Stuart Green Hull	8	4	0	0	0	4
Luke Beckett Stockport	7	4	0	0	0	4
Darius Henderson Swindon	5	4	0	0	0	4
Adam Boyd Hartlepool	9	3	0	1	0	4
Michael McIndoe Doncaster	9	3	0	1	0	4

GOAL STATS

Total Goals	Home Goals	Away Goals
274	156	118

DISCIPLINARY

Player	Team	Fouls	Y	R
Lee Crooks	Bradford	13	4	1
Ian Roper	Walsall	12	2	2
Steve Robinson	Luton	8	5	0
Shane Nicholson	Chesterfield	6	3	1
Steve Blatherwick	Chesterfield	22	3	1
Neil Young	Bournemouth	10	1	2
Dean Windass	Bradford	11	4	0
Jonathan Worthington	Huddersfield	10	4	0

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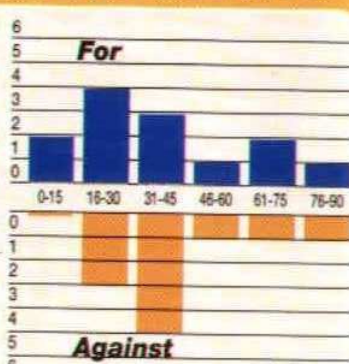
Home	Away																							
	Barnsley	Blackpool	Bournemouth	Bradford	Brentford	Bristol City	Chesterfield	Colchester	Doncaster	Hartlepool	Huddersfield	Hull	Luton	MK Dons	Oldham	Peterborough	Port Vale	Sheff Wed	Stockport	Swindon	Torquay	Tranmere	Walsall	Wrexham
Barnsley	-	27/11	19/2	29/1	9/10	2-1	25/9	30/4	20/10	1/1	15/1	1-2	3-4	19/3	16/4	18/12	6/11	5/2	28/12	23/10	26/2	0-0	28/3	9/4
Blackpool	7/5	-	2/10	22/2	12/2	11/12	23/4	16/10	19/3	28/3	30/10	26/12	1-3	22/1	8/1	9/4	31	1-2	0-4	18/9	7/12	20/11	5/3	TBA
Bournemouth	30/10	29/1	-	7/12	1/1	2-2	20/11	1-3	25/9	7/5	28/12	19/3	9/4	28/3	12/2	23/4	16/10	15/1	9/10	18/12	22/2	26/2	2-2	1-0
Bradford	2/10	19/10	30/4	-	16/4	18/9	2-3	6/11	2-0	19/3	5/3	10/4	19/2	8/1	27/11	2-2	0-2	23/10	28/3	31	22/1	5/2	11/12	26/12
Brentford	8/1	23/10	2-1	20/11	-	9/4	19/3	18/12	4-3	19/10	23/4	7/5	7/12	5/2	2/10	28/3	19/3	26/2	3-0	22/1	26/12	19/2	3/1	1-0
Bristol City	12/3	26/2	26/3	15/1	4-1	-	29/1	30/10	30/4	26/12	25/9	16/10	18/12	6/11	22/2	1/1	24	27/11	5-0	1-2	1-1	9/10	12/2	16/4
Chesterfield	3/1	6/11	16/4	24	3-1	2/10	-	2-1	23/10	5/2	12/3	8/1	26/12	2-2	30/4	26/2	1-0	19/2	20/10	27/11	18/12	26/3	18/9	22/1
Colchester	7/12	5/2	25/12	23/4	5/3	19/2	28/3	-	4-1	9/4	20/11	11/12	22/1	18/9	3/1	2-1	2/10	19/3	3-2	0-1	7/5	23/10	8/1	19/10
Doncaster	22/2	2-0	3/1	26/3	12/3	7/12	12/2	1/4	-	23/4	2-1	22/1	7/5	26/12	18/9	30/10	8/1	18/12	20/1	26/2	16/10	0-0	3-1	2/10
Hartlepool	1-1	1-1	27/11	2-1	22/2	22/1	16/10	2-1	6/11	-	26/3	2/10	8/1	3/1	26/12	11/2	30/10	15/4	11/12	24	18/9	12/3	30/4	5/3
Huddersfield	18/9	19/2	22/1	18/12	7/11	3/1	0-0	16/4	9/4	0-2	-	4-0	5/2	23/10	26/2	2-1	26/12	29/3	19/3	30/4	8/1	19/10	2/10	27/11
Hull	24	2-1	1-0	0-1	27/11	5/2	10/10	26/2	28/12	29/1	1/1	-	23/10	20/10	2-0	15/1	26/3	30/4	25/9	16/4	12/3	18/12	6/11	19/2
Luton	26/3	2/4	1-0	30/10	30/4	5/3	1-0	26/12	27/11	8/10	16/10	12/2	-	16/4	2-1	25/9	11/12	1/1	15/1	12/3	1-0	29/1	22/2	6/11
MK Dons	1-1	28/12	1-3	8/10	16/10	23/4	1/1	15/1	0-1	25/9	12/2	20/11	-	24	7/12	12/3	29/1	5/3	26/3	1-0	7/5	30/10	11/12	
Oldham	20/11	10/10	23/10	7/5	29/1	19/10	7/12	25/9	15/1	3-2	11/12	28/3	19/3	3-0	-	28/12	5/3	9/4	19/2	5/2	23/4	1/1	5-3	2-3
Peterborough	5/3	0-0	6/11	12/3	3-0	0-1	11/12	25/9	19/2	23/10	24	18/9	3/1	30/4	22/1	-	27/11	19/10	5/2	26/12	2/10	1-0	16/4	8/1
Port Vale	23/4	25/9	5/2	1/1	15/1	3-0	9/4	29/1	8/10	19/2	0-3	3-2	29/2	3-2	18/12	7/5	-	26/12	23/10	19/10	27/11	7/12	19/3	29/3
Sheff Wed	17/10	12/3	18/9	12/2	11/12	7/5	30/10	0-3	6/3	20/11	1-0	8/12	0-0	2/10	1-1	23/2	22/1	-	23/4	8/1	26/3	24	28/12	3/1
Stockport	22/1	26/3	8/1	0-1	24	26/12	22/2	12/3	16/4	26/2	2-3	3/1	18/9	18/12	30/10	16/10	12/2	6/11	-	2/10	0-2	1-1	27/11	30/4
Swindon	12/2	15/1	5/3	25/9	28/12	28/3	7/5	1/1	11/12	3-0	8/12	20/11	2-3	2-1	16/10	0-1	23/2	10/10	29/1	-	30/10	23/4	9/4	19/3
Torquay	11/12	30/4	16/10	28/12	2-2	19/3	5/3	27/11	5/2	15/1	9/10	0-3	28/3	9/4	6/11	29/1	16/4	2-4	1/1	19/2	-	25/9	0-0	23/10
Tranmere	25/12	16/4	10/12	16/10	30/10	8/1	1-0	12/2	28/3	2-1	22/2	5/3	23/10	27/11	2-0	18/3	29/4	4-2	8/4	6/11	3/1	-	22/1	18/9
Walsall	2-2	18/12	12/3	26/2	25/9	23/10	15/1	9/10	1/1	7/12	29/1	23/4	19/10	19/2	26/3	20/11	3-2	1-1	7/5	3-2	24	28/12	-	9/2
Wrexham	2-1	1/1	2/4	1-0	26/3	20/11	28/12	22/2	29/1	18/12	7/5	30/10	23/4	26/2	12/3	10/10	1-1	25/9	7/12	3-1	12/2	15/1	18/10	-

ATTENDANCES

	Average	Highest
Barnsley	10,570	13,175
Blackpool	6,280	6,713
Bournemouth	6,280	6,918
Bradford	8,001	10,444
Brentford	5,259	5,082
Bristol City	12,192	14,275
Chesterfield	4,591	5,150
Colchester	3,692	3,698
Doncaster	6,584	7,082
Hartlepool	5,106	6,032
Huddersfield	11,245	13,543
Hull	16,729	17,589
Luton	7,058	7,532
MK Dons	3,824	4,720
Oldham	5,687	6,143
Peterborough	4,656	5,365
Port Vale	5,753	6,736
Sheff Wed	23,184	26,264
Stockport	5,671	7,473
Swindon	5,622	6,286
Torquay	4,056	5,005
Tranmere	6,589	9,506
Walsall	6,659	8,225
Wrexham	4,509	5,099

When Scored

100



Discipline

Red Cards	1
Yellow Cards	13
Fouls Committed	109
Average per Game	13.63
Conceded from Free Kick	2
Fouls Suffered	95
Average per Game	11.88
Scored from Free Kick	3
Caught Offside	17

Last 6 & Swings

Opponents	H/A	Score
Peterborough	H	0-1
Colchester	A	1-0
Walsall	A	2-3
Hartlepool	H	3-0
Bristol City	A	2-1
MK Dons	H	2-1
Won when Behind:		0
Drawn when Behind:		0
Drawn when Ahead:		0

Swindon's Last 10 Years

Top Scorers

Sam Parkin	48
Wayne Allison	31
Chris Hay	30
Jan-Aage Fjortoft	27
Peter Thorne	27
Paul Bodin	26
Shaun Taylor	26
Iffy Onuora	25
Mark Walters	25
Andy Gurney	22



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League 1 Stats

League 1 attendances

Cards

Last 6 form guide

Club	Aggregate	Highest	Lowest	Average
Barnsley	25,121	6,918	5,774	6,280
Blackpool	42,282	13,175	8,615	10,571
Bournemouth	18,840	6,713	5,793	6,280
Bradford	32,006	10,444	6,929	8,002
Brentford	21,037	5,682	4,643	5,259
Bristol City	48,771	14,275	10,296	12,193
Chesterfield	18,366	5,150	4,028	4,592
Colchester	14,771	3,868	3,346	3,693
Doncaster	26,326	7,082	6,040	6,582
Hartlepool	20,666	6,032	4,371	5,167
Huddersfield	44,983	13,542	9,531	11,246
Hull	66,918	17,569	15,568	16,730
Luton	28,234	7,532	6,634	7,059
MK Dons	15,299	4,720	3,015	3,825
Oldham	22,668	6,143	5,066	5,667
Peterborough	18,627	5,390	4,142	4,657
Port Vale	23,013	6,736	4,602	5,753
Sheff Wed	92,738	26,264	20,806	23,185
Stockport	22,685	7,473	4,372	5,671
Swindon	22,488	6,286	5,060	5,622
Torquay	16,227	5,005	3,458	4,057
Tranmere	34,358	9,506	8,128	8,590
Walsall	26,638	8,225	5,951	6,660
Wrexham	18,039	5,099	3,712	4,510

Attendance and Cards stats are ordered alphabetically



Yellow	Red	Club	W	D	L	For	Agst	Pts	Cl Diff	Sequence
4	2	Luton	5	1	0	10	4	16	6	WWWWWDW
9	1	Swindon	4	0	2	10	6	12	4	WWWLWL
8	0	Tranmere	3	3	0	8	3	12	5	WDWDDW
18	1	Brentford	3	1	2	9	10	10	-1	WLWLWD
8	1	Bristol City	3	1	2	13	8	10	5	DLLWWW
12	0	Chesterfield	3	1	2	8	7	10	1	LWWWDL
13	2	Doncaster	3	1	2	7	8	10	-1	LDLWWW
8	1	Oldham	3	1	2	12	10	10	2	WLWDWL
9	1	Port Vale	3	1	2	9	7	10	2	WDWLWL
10	0	Wrexham	3	1	2	7	6	10	1	WLDLWW
14	0	Bradford	3	0	3	6	6	9	0	WWLWLL
8	1	Colchester	3	0	3	11	8	9	3	WLWLLW
14	0	Huddersfield	3	0	3	10	6	9	4	LLWLWW
13	0	Hull	3	0	3	8	10	9	-2	LWWLLW
11	0	Sheff Wed	2	3	1	9	8	9	1	WWLDDD
14	0	Hartlepool	2	2	2	8	9	8	-1	WDLWDL
13	2	Bournemouth	2	1	3	8	9	7	-1	DWWLLL
8	1	Peterborough	2	1	3	6	5	7	1	LWLDLW
13	0	Walsall	1	3	2	10	13	6	-3	LDDWLD
13	1	Torquay	1	2	3	6	8	5	-2	LLDLWD
16	1	Stockport	1	1	4	5	12	4	-7	WLLDLL
12	1	MK Dons	1	1	4	5	11	4	-6	LLLWDL
5	2	Barnsley	0	3	3	8	11	3	-3	LDLDD
11	0	Blackpool	0	2	4	4	12	2	-8	LLDLDL

Form Guide stats are ordered by points gained over last 6 games

Football League 1 top scorers

Scorer	Club	Lge	CC	FA	LDV	Tot	Gms	Ave	Scorer	Club	Lge	CC	FA	LDV	Tot	Gms	Ave
Leroy Lita	Bristol City	6	1	0	0	7	9	0.78	Tcham N'Toya-Zoa	Chesterfield	5	0	0	0	5	9	0.56
Matthew Fryatt	Walsall	5	0	0	0	5	7	0.71	Pawel Abbott	Huddersfield	5	0	0	0	5	9	0.56
Dean Windass	Bradford	5	0	0	0	5	8	0.63	Steve Howard	Luton	5	0	0	0	5	9	0.56
Stuart Elliott	Hull	5	0	0	0	5	8	0.63	James Hayter	Bournemouth	4	1	0	0	5	9	0.56
Stephen Brooker	Port Vale	5	0	0	0	5	8	0.63	Craig Fagan	Colchester	4	1	0	0	5	9	0.56

Football League 1 results grid

Away Home																									
Bournemouth		30.10	29.1	7.12	1.1	2-2	20.11	1-3	25.9	7.4	28.12	19.3	9.4	12.2	23.4	16.10	15.1	9.10	18.12	22.2	26.2	2-2	28.3	1-0	
Barnsley	19.2		27.11	29.1	9.10	2-1	25.9	30.4	20.10	1.1	15.1	1-2	3-4	16.4	18.12	6.11	5.2	28.12	23.10	26.2	0-0	28.3	19.3	9.4	
Blackpool	2.10	7.4		22.2	12.2	11.12	23.4	16.10	19.3	28.3	30.10	26.12	1-3	8.1	9.4	3.1	1-2	0-4	18.9	7.12	20.11	5.3	22.1	tba	
Bradford	30.4	2.10	19.10		16.4	18.9	2-3	6.11	2-0	19.3	5.3	10.4	1-2	27.11	2-2	0-2	23.10	28.3	3.1	22.1	5.2	11.12	8.1	26.12	
Brentford	2-1	8.1	23.10	20.11		9.4	19.3	18.12	4-3	19.10	23.4	7.4	7.12	2.10	28.3	18.9	26.2	3-0	22.1	26.12	19.2	3.1	5.2	1-0	
Bristol City	26.3	12.3	26.2	15.1	4-1		29.1	30.10	30.4	28.12	25.9	16.10	18.12	22.2	1.1	2.4	27.11	5-0	1-2	1-1	9.10	12.2	6.11	16.4	
Chesterfield	16.4	3.1	6.11	2.4	3-1	2.10		2-1	23.10	5.2	12.3	8.1	26.12	30.4	26.2	1-0	19.2	20.10	27.11	18.12	26.3	18.9	2-2	22.1	
Colchester	26.12	7.12	5.2	23.4	5.3	19.2	28.3		4-1	9.4	20.11	11.12	22.1	3.1	2-1	2.10	19.3	3-2	0-1	7.4	23.10	8.1	18.9	19.10	
Doncaster	3.1	22.2	2-0	26.3	12.3	7.12	12.2	1.4		23.4	2-1	22.1	7.4	18.9	30.10	8.1	18.12	20.11	26.2	16.10	0-0	3-1	26.12	2.10	
Hartlepool	27.11	1-1	1-1	2-1	22.2	22.1	16.10	2-1	6.11		26.3	2.10	8.1	26.12	11.2	30.10	15.4	11.12	2.4	18.9	12.3	30.4	3.1	5.3	
Huddersfield	22.1	18.9	19.2	18.12	7.11	3.1	0-0	16.4	9.4	0-2		4-0	5.2	26.2	2-1	26.12	29.3	19.3	30.4	8.1	19.10	2.10	23.10	27.11	
Hull	1-0	2.4	2-1	0-1	27.11	5.2	10.10	26.2	29.12	29.1	1.1		23.10	2-0	15.1	26.3	30.4	25.9	16.4	12.3	18.12	6.11	20.10	19.2	
Luton	1-0	26.3	2.4	30.10	30.4	5.3	1-0	28.12	27.11	9.10	16.10	12.2		2-1	25.9	11.12	1.1	15.1	12.3	1-0	29.1	22.2	16.4	6.11	
Oldham	23.10	20.11	10.10	7.4	29.1	19.10	7.12	25.9	15.1	3-2	11.12	28.3	19.3		26.12	5.3	9.4	19.2	5.2	23.4	1.1	5-3	3-0	2-3	
Peterborough	6.11	5.3	0-0	12.3	3-0	0-1	11.12	26.3	19.2	23.10	2.4	18.9	3.1	22.1		27.11	19.10	5.2	26.12	2.10	1-0	16.4	30.4	2.1	
Port Vale	5.2	23.4	25.9	1.1	15.1	3-0	9.4	29.1	9.10	19.2	0-3	3-2	26.2	18.12	7.4		28.12	23.10	19.10	20.11	7.12	19.3	3-2	29.1	
Sheff Wed	18.9	17.10	12.3	12.2	11.12	7.4	30.10	0-3	6.3	20.11	1-0	8.12	0-0	1-1	23.2	22.1		23.4	8.1	26.3	2.4	26.12	2.10	3.1	
Stockport	8.1	22.1	26.3	0-1	2.4	26.12	22.2	12.3	16.4	26.2	2-3	3.1	18.9	30.10	16.10	12.2	6.11		2.10	0-2	1-1	27.11	18.12	30.4	
Swindon	5.3	12.2	15.1	25.9	28.12	28.3	7.4	1.1	11.12	3-0	8.12	20.11	2-3	16.10	0-1	23.2	9.10	29.1		30.10	23.4	9.4	2-1	19.3	
Torquay	19.10	11.12	30.4	28.12	2-2	19.3	5.3	27.11	5.2	15.1	9.10	0-3	3-3	28.3	6.11	29.1	16.4	2-4	1.1	19.2		25.9	0-0	9.4	23.10
Tranmere	10.12	26.12	16.4	16.10	30.10	8.1	1-0	12.2	28.3	2-1	22.2	5.3	2.10	2-0	18.3	29.4	4-2	8.4	6.11	3.1		22.1	27.11	18.9	
Walsall	12.3	2-2	18.12	26.2	25.9	23.10	15.1	9.10	1.1	7.12	29.1	23.4	19.10	26.3	20.11	3-2	1-1	7.4	3-2	2.4	28.12		19.2	3.1	
MK Dons	1-3	1-1	28.12	19.10	16.10	23.4	1.1	15.1	0-1	25.9	12.2	22.2	20.11	2.4	7.12	12.3	29.1	5.3	26.3	1-0	7.4	30.10		11.12	
Wrexham	2.4	2-1	1.1	1-0	26.3	20.11	28.12	22.2	29.1	18.12	7.4	30.10	23.4	12.3	9.10	1-1	25.9	7.12	2-1	12.2	18.1	16.10	3.1	11.12	



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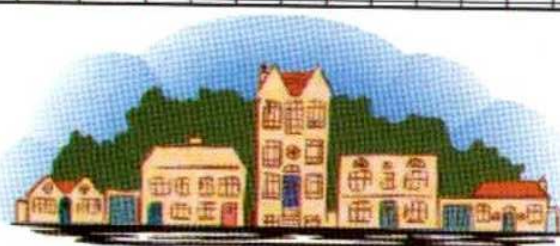
Abbreviations

1 24 Substitute/ Goal
& player replaced.

Booked & Sent Off + Own Goal

Lee JONES	Leam RICHARDSON	Gareth EVANS	Keith SOUTHERN	Mike FLYNN	Simon GRAYSON	Richie WELLENS	Keigan PARKER	John MURPHY	Scott TAYLOR	Martin BULLOCK	Danny COID
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

Date	KO	Ven	Opponent	Comp	Res	Att	Vis Att	Pos	Pts	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
AUGUST																					
Sat 7	15:00	A	Doncaster	FL1	L 0-2	7,082	1,256	23	-												
Tue 10	19:45	H	SHEFFIELD WED	FL1	L 1-2	6,713	1,525	24	-												
Sat 14	15:00	H	STOCKPORT	FL1	L 0-4	6,334	1,270	24	-												
Sat 21	15:00	A	Hartlepool	FL1	D1-1	5,144	208	24	1												
Tue 24	19:45	A	Crewe	LGCP	L1-4	2,994	346	-	-												
Sat 28	15:00	H	LUTON TOWN	FL1	L 1-3	5,793	1,154	24	1												
Mon 30	15:00	A	Peterborough	FL1	D 0-0	4,142	275	24	2												
SEPTEMBER																					
Sat 11	15:00	A	Hull City	FL1	L 1-2	15,568	657	24	2												
Sat 18	15:00	H	SWINDON TOWN	FL1																	
Sat 25	15:00	A	Port Vale	FL1																	
OCTOBER																					
Sat 2	15:00	H	BOURNEMOUTH	FL1																	
Sun 10	14:00	A	Oldham	FL1																	
Sat 16	15:00	H	COLCHESTER	FL1																	
Tue 19	19:45	A	Bradford City	FL1																	
Sat 23	15:00	A	Brentford	FL1																	
Sat 30	15:00	H	HUDDERSFIELD	FL1																	
NOVEMBER																					
Sat 6	15:00	A	Chesterfield	FL1																	
Sat 20	15:00	H	TRANMERE	FL1																	
Sat 27	15:00	A	Barnsley	FL1																	
DECEMBER																					
Tue 7	19:45	H	TORQUAY UNITED	FL1																	
Sat 11	15:00	H	BRISTOL CITY	FL1																	
Sat 18	15:00	A	Walsall	FL1																	
Sun 26	15:00	H	HULL CITY	FL1																	
Tue 28	15:00	A	MK Dons	FL1																	
JANUARY																					
Sat 1	15:00	A	Wrexham	FL1																	
Mon 3	15:00	H	PORT VALE	FL1																	
Sat 8	15:00	H	OLDHAM	FL1																	
Sat 15	15:00	A	Swindon Town	FL1																	
Sat 22	15:00	H	MK DONS	FL1																	
Sat 29	15:00	A	Bournemouth	FL1																	
FEBRUARY																					
Sat 5	15:00	A	Colchester	FL1																	
Sat 12	15:00	H	BRENTFORD	FL1																	
Sat 19	15:00	A	Huddersfield	FL1																	
Tue 22	19:45	H	BRADFORD CITY	FL1																	
Sat 26	15:00	A	Bristol City	FL1																	
MARCH																					
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29	Dean GORRE			

Player, birthplace and date of birth	2004/5		BFC League		BFC Cup		Total BFC	
	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls	Aps	Gls
1 Lee Jones Pontypridd, 9.8.70	5	-	25	-	9	-	39	-
2 Leam Richardson Leeds, 19.11.79	6	-	49 (4)	-	9 (1)	1	58 (5)	1
3 Gareth Evans Leeds, 15.2.81	-	-	21 (2)	-	8 (1)	-	29 (3)	-
4 Keith Southern Gateshead, 24.4.81	-	-	53 (13)	3	10 (2)	2	63 (15)	5
5 Mike Flynn Oldham, 23.2.69	5 (1)	-	55 (2)	1	9 (2)	-	64 (4)	1
6 Simon Grayson Ripon, 16.12.69	4 (1)	-	75 (7)	4	14 (2)	-	89 (9)	4
7 Richie Wellens Manchester, 26.3.80	3	-	149 (14)	13	28 (4)	1	177 (18)	14
8 Keigan Parker Livingston, 8.6.82	3 (3)	-	3 (3)	-	1	-	4 (3)	-
9 John Murphy Whiston, 18.10.76	5	-	176 (16)	66	36 (5)	21	212 (21)	87
10 Scott Taylor Chertsey, 5.5.76	8	-	83 (21)	33	16 (3)	17	99 (24)	52
11 Martin Bullock Derby, 5.3.75	8	-	111 (21)	4	26 (3)	3	137 (34)	7
12 Danny Coid Liverpool, 3.10.81	2 (1)	-	145 (24)	9	37 (2)	3	182 (26)	12
14 Matthew Blinkhorn Blackpool, 2.3.85	-	-	7 (15)	3	1 (5)	1	8 (20)	4
15 Stephen McMahon Southport, 31.7.84	-	-	10 (8)	-	3 (5)	-	13 (13)	-
16 Jamie Burns Blackpool, 5.3.84	(1)	-	7 (12)	-	3 (3)	1	10 (15)	1
17 Simon Wiles Preston, 22.4.85	-	-	0 (4)	-	0 (1)	-	0 (5)	-
18 Rob Edwards Kendal, 1.7.73	8	1	7	-	1	-	8	1
19 Phil Doughty Kirkham, 6.9.86	-	-	-	-	0 (1)	-	0 (1)	-
20 Rob Clare Belper, 28.2.83	8	-	7	-	1	-	8	-
21 Sasa Ilic Melbourne, 18.7.72	3	-	3	-	-	-	3	-
22 Mark McGregor Chester, 16.2.77	7 (1)	-	6 (1)	-	1	-	7 (1)	-
23 Andrew Barrowman Glasgow, 27.11.84	(2)	-	(2)	-	-	-	(2)	-
23 Scott Vernon Manchester 13.12.83	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
24 Danny Livesey Salford, 31.12.84	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
26 Paul Edwards Manchester, 1.1.80	4	-	4	-	-	-	4	-
27 Michael Flynn Newport 12.10.80	4	-	-	-	1	-	5	-
29 Dean Gorre Surinam 10.9.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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MANAGER - **COLIN HENDRY**

		PLD	GLS
1	Lee JONES		
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4	Keith SOUTHERN		
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6	Simon GRAYSON		
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25	Lewis EDGE		
26	Paul EDWARDS		
27	Michael FLYNN		
29	DEAN GORRE		

CURRENT FORM

POOL

- Not Won In Last 10 League Games
- Drawn Once In Last Seven League Games
- Only failed to score once at home against Swindon in the last 10 years.

SWINDON

- Lost League Game
- Won Last Two Away League Games
- Have Not Beaten The Seasiders At Bloomfield Road in the last 10 years

RESULT

7/4 Pool To Win
9/4 Draw
13/10 Swindon

FIRST GOALSCORER

POOL

7/1 Scott Taylor
8/1 Scott Vernon
50/1 Mark McGregor

ROBINS

4/1 Sam Parkin
11/2 Darius Henderson
16/1 Sammy Igoe

SWINDON TOWN

MANAGER - **ANDY KING**

		PLD	GLS
1	Rhys Evans		
2	Sean O'Hanlon		
3	Grant Smith		
4	Matthew Hewlett		
5	Adi Viveash		
6	Paul Mitchell		
7	Sammy Igoe		
8	Rory Fallon		
9	Sam Parkin		
10	Stefani Miglioranzi		
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13	Matt Bulman		
15	Andy Nicholas		
16	Steve Robinson		
17	Brian Howard		
18	Alan Reeves		
19	Matt Heywood		
20	Steve Book		
22	Michael Pook		
23	Luke Garrard		
24	Andy Caton		

MATCH OFFICIALS



Referee:
Mr C Boyeson



Assitant Referee:
Mr M G Robinson



Assitant Referee:
Mr G T Stott



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Mr K J Mattocks

ON THIS DAY FOR BLACKPOOL

18 September

1993 Division Two
Cardiff City (H) 1-0 Griffiths

1996 League Cup Round 2
Chelsea (H) 1-4 Quinn

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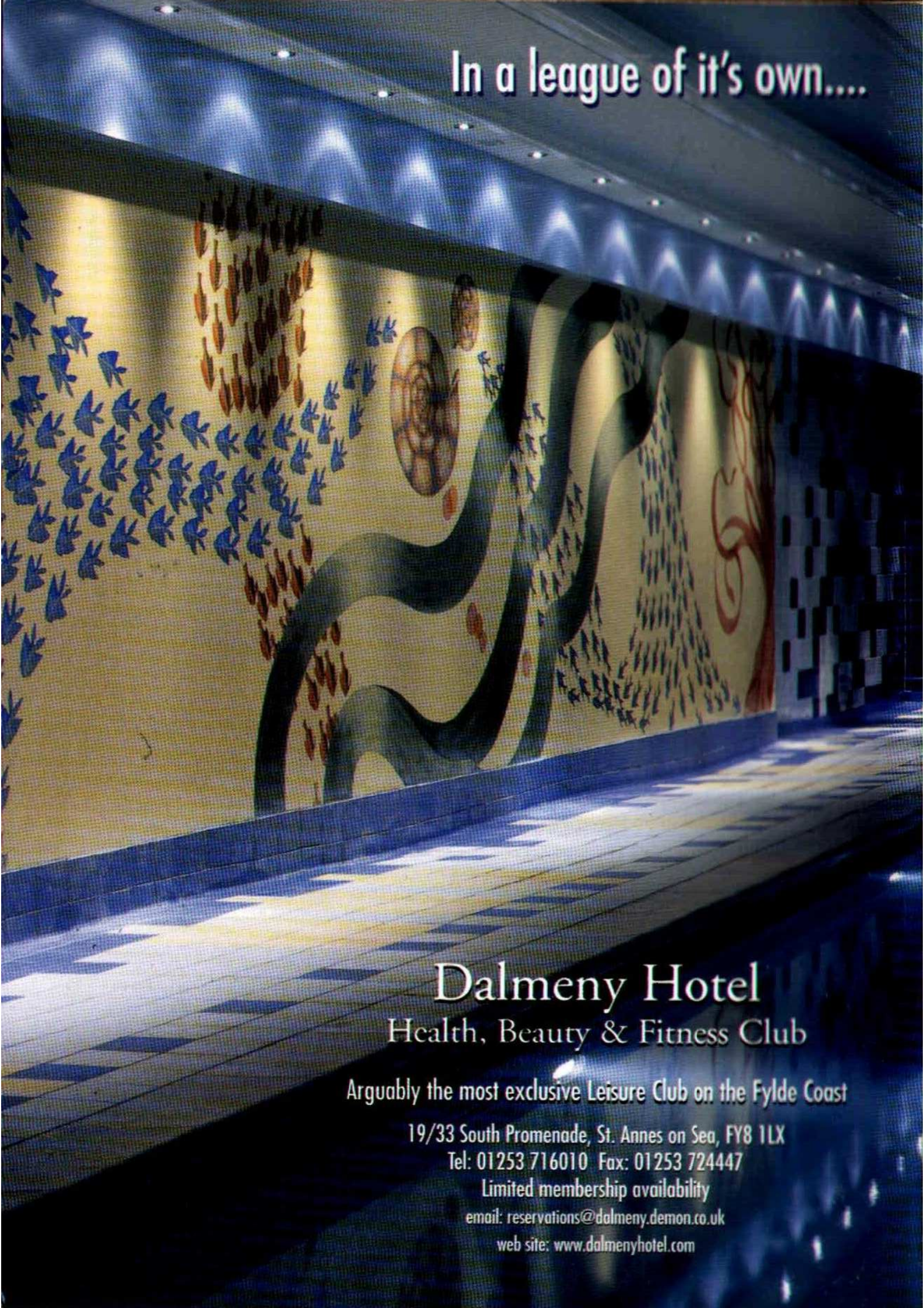
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