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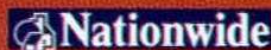
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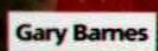
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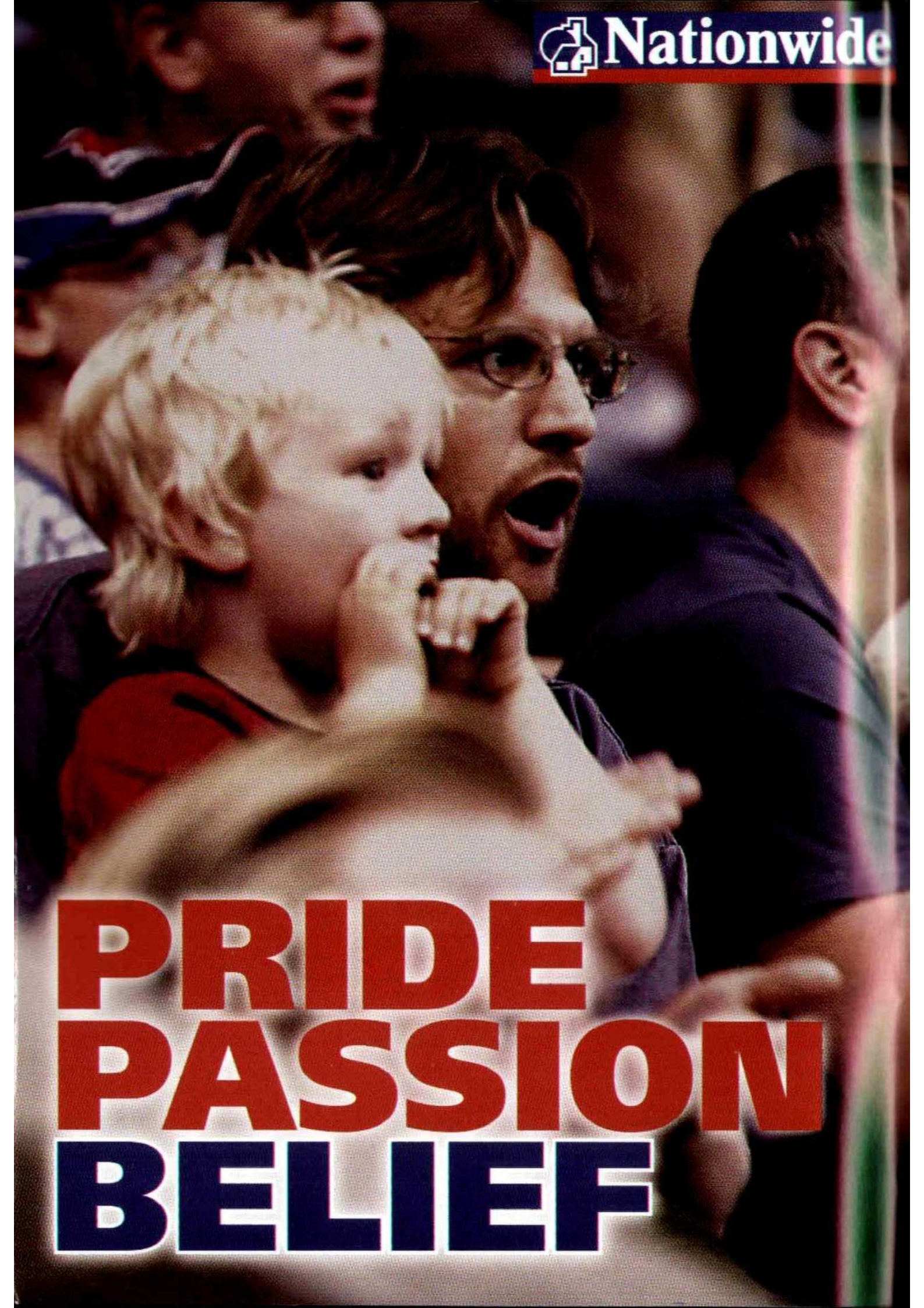


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EditorsComment

The start of the new football season has finally arrived after the summer break.

Whilst we have said goodbyes to a number of last season's playing staff, tonight is all about opportunities for both players and supporters. Those of you who weren't at Oakwell on Saturday will now have a chance to see the new signings in action whilst the new boys will have a chance to impress on home turf for the first time.

I am sure you will join me in wishing the new players all the very best in their Town careers. Let's hope they can all contribute to a successful campaign. Fortress County Ground? We shall see as it all starts now. Enjoy the game.

chris@swindontownfc.co.uk



Did you know ?

Tonight's visitors Oldham Athletic have had nine Managers since the year 2000. They are John Sheridan (twice), Billy Ursom, Mick Wadsworth, Iain Dowie, John Eyres, Brian Talbot, Tony Philliskirk and now Ronnie Moore. Iain Dowie is now Boss at Crystal Palace and Brian Talbot is Managing Oxford United.

Andy King



Good evening and welcome back to the new season with the visit of Oldham Athletic to The County Ground. We also welcome the Officials, Players and Supporters of Oldham Athletic...

I would like to give a warm welcome to Ronnie Moore and John Breckin. Ronnie did a magnificent job in keeping Oldham in the division last year and I am sure, knowing his competitive edge and the signings he has made, they will be a force this season.

I hope you all arrive back here having had a nice break and enjoyed your summer holidays. Probably like myself you will come to the new season full of optimism and have great expectations for the new campaign. I am hoping that the season ahead will be more successful than last and that we can have a repeat of our play-off experience. Although in

"At the moment he is looking like the most lively striker at the club and he has continued his good form from the end of last season..."

saying that things have seemed difficult over the summer, but there is a great divide between the lucky few in each division and the others.

Looking at my own thoughts, losing Sam Parkin was a big loss but having brought in Tony Thorpe and Jamie Cureton I hope they can equal or better his goal record. Gareth

Whalley has also come in and has experience of playing at a higher level. He is a footballing person and another one who has joined us is Jack Smith. He is a player that I had been watching for a while and he would have arrived with Paul Mayo, had Sam Parkin joined Watford but that did not come to fruition. Jack is a talented footballer and I can see him being a hit with the fans. Then we have young Ricky Shakes and Charlie Comyn-Platt who have both joined us from Bolton Wanderers. One of these two players may well have already tasted first team action at Barnsley, but they will both get opportunities to impress as the season goes on.

I have also added Nicky Nicolau to the squad. He was at Arsenal as a youngster and has had a good footballing education there. I watched him in the Play-Off final last season for Southend, where he was probably the best player on the pitch. If Nicolau can maintain the standards he set in that final then he will be another success

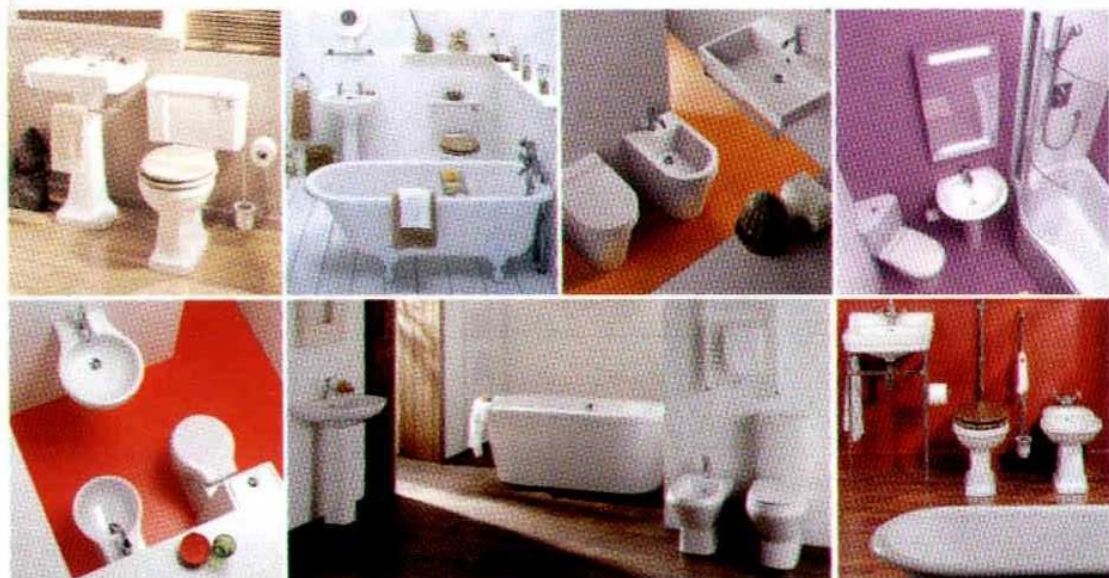
story. Patrick Collins has joined us on loan as fullback. I knew him when he was a youngster at Sunderland and he will give us added strength.

Following Mick Harford's departure at the end of last season, Alan Reeves has taken over that mantle of Assistant Manager. Iffy Onuora, Ian Woan, Alan and myself will be doing all the coaching throughout the club's age groups that I believe will be beneficial for all concerned.

Unfortunately Stefani Miglioranzi missed the start to the season at Barnsley having failed to recover from an ankle injury sustained at Aylesbury United in pre-season and Rory Fallon misses this evening's game as he serves the last of a three game suspension. At the moment he is looking like the most lively striker that there is at the club and he has continued his good form from the end of the last campaign into pre-season. He will be available for Saturday's visit of Nottingham Forest and it could leave me with an interesting selection decision towards the end of this week.

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Boardroom Talk



A new season starts at the County Ground tonight and I am pleased to welcome everyone to this our first home game of the 2005-6 campaign...

It doesn't seem that long ago we were looking forward to the closed season full of anticipation for the planned concert in June.

Swindon rocked to the sound of Elton John and Lulu and hopefully this will be the first of many concerts here.

Unlike past seasons we have not been able to have a pre season friendly because of the problems we encountered on the pitch as a result of the concert.

A section of the pitch has had to be reurfed but after a lot of hard work watering and fertilising it is looking magnificent and hopefully is ready for the League One campaign.

We have said good-bye to a number of players from last season but have attracted several new faces that will add to the excitement this season. As I write these notes prior to our trip to Barnsley, I am sure many of these new faces will have made their debuts for Swindon Town at Oakwell in what we hope was a successful afternoon.

We would like to think that 2005 will provide us with variety. Not only did we have a concert but also there will be a televised game (Bristol City) but something a little different to look forward to the England Under 17 International on the 2nd September at 7pm.

My role at the club has changed a little since I first arrived and as you maybe aware I have taken on the role of Chief Executive. One of my main objectives for this season is that we are able to get permission to begin the long-awaited redevelopment here at the County Ground in the closed season next year. Obviously there is a lot of work involved – consultation with Council, residents and planners etc. I am just one of a team of people involved in this process which has been ongoing for a number of years.

Lets get behind the team and wish them a successful season.

Sandy Gray
Chief Executive

Fixture Changes



Swindon Town can confirm several changes to the scheduled fixtures and kick-off times for the forthcoming 2005-6 season.

The news that the City game is to be shown live on Sky Sports is a major boost to STFC and will no doubt provide the club with another cash boost as well as providing Andy King and his side a chance to impress in front of a large television audience.

With the likes of Grant Smith and Matt Heywood returning to SN1 for

a derby encounter – it is set to be a cracking evening's entertainment.

Ahead of the derby though, Port Vale's visit to The County Ground on Saturday 8th October will now kick-off at 1.00pm with an England International on the same day.

The televised fixture with Bristol City on Sky Sports on Friday 11th November will kick-off at 7.45pm, having been brought forward 24 hours.

On New Years Eve Town host Swansea City with the kick off for this fixture now agreed as 12.30pm. The away trip to Chesterfield a few days earlier now kicks-off at 3pm.

Also note that the visit to Roots Hall to face Southend now takes place on Friday January 27, with a 7.45pm kick-off.



World 2 Launched

A whole new world has now been launched - and that means a brand new, improved service for all new and existing STFC World subscribers visiting the official website.

STFC World now has a whole new look and feel in both its design and user access, allowing subscribers the opportunity to move with more ease around both STFC World and its sister site www.swindontownfc.co.uk

STFC World articles are now more apparent to subscribers and there will be brand new links between articles and sections currently featured on the best Town interactive broadcast channel.

Collins Joins Up

Shortly after signing for STFC on a long-term loan deal, Patrick Collins outlined his desire to secure a first team place in Andy King's team.

The defender made his Town debut at Barnsley at the weekend and has signed a deal which will see him remain at The County Ground until December 31.

Collins signed an extension to his current deal at Hillsborough recently and following Wednesday's promotion to the Coca-Cola Championship, Collins arrives at Swindon to gain further first team experience.

"It came around really quickly to be honest. I signed an extension at Hillsborough and then Paul Sturrock said he wanted me to go out on loan and get some experience so here I am," Collins said on STFC World.

"Swindon is a great chance for me to play some first team football and I am looking

forward to it. I prefer to play at rightback so I can get forward, which I like to do, but I can also play at centreback if required. My aim is to play as many games as possible, help the team and also improve individually," said Collins.

The former Sunderland defender gained plenty of experience in his first season at senior level, amassing a total of 33 appearances and operating both at right back and centre half.

He made his debut in the opening day clash with Colchester United and started the first 25 games of the term, scoring his first professional goal in the November win at Bristol City.

Patrick Collins has been handed squad number 20.



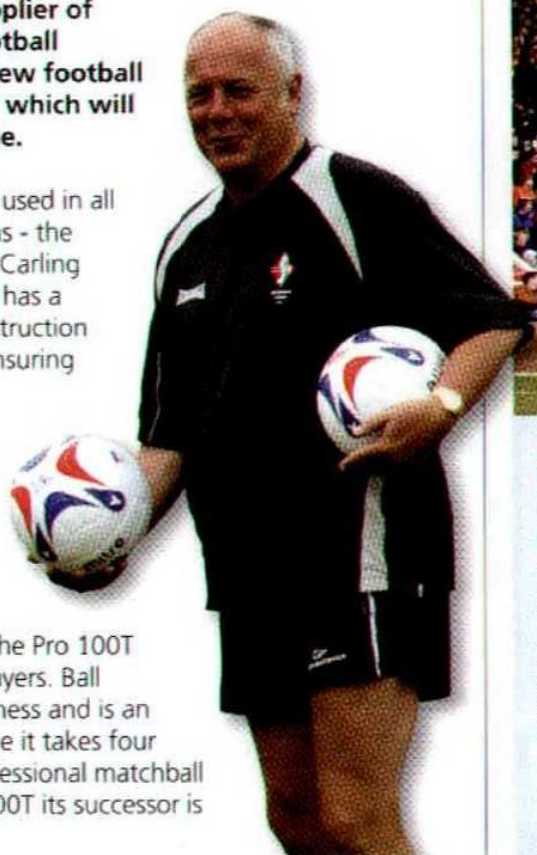
New Balls in Use

Mitre, the Official Supplier of footballs to The Football League, has launched a new football for the 2005/2006 season which will be in use for today's game.

The Pro 100T, which will be used in all Football League competitions - the Coca-Cola Football League, Carling Cup and LDV Vans Trophy - has a 26-panel straight seam construction making it truly round and ensuring controllable aerodynamics.

The ball is faster, has a larger sweet spot, is more controllable and has recorded a top speed of more than 100mph.

A Mitre spokesman said: "The Pro 100T gives control back to the players. Ball development is Mitre's business and is an ongoing process. On average it takes four years to develop a new professional matchball and as we launch the Pro 100T its successor is already in development.



Security Message

In light of recent events, the Club are tightening up security in and around The County Ground.

To help us in these measures, fans are asked not to bring along any bags to matches taking place in the stadium.

Any bags brought to The County Ground will be searched on admission to the stadium, as set out in the Ground Regulations.

Co-operation in this matter would be much appreciated.

Numbers Up for Town

Not only will the players be running out in a new strip this evening, you will notice a new set of squad numbers have been issued.

Striking duo Jamie Cureton and Tony Thorpe, who both joined over the summer from QPR, have been handed numbers 11 and 9, taking over from David Duke and Sam Parkin.



Jack Smith takes over the shirt vacated by Grant Smith at 3 with Gareth Whalley taking the number 7 shirt from Sammy Igoe who made a July move to Millwall.

Bolton duo Charlie Comyn-Platt and Ricky Shakes have been given numbers 17 and 12 with Nicky Nicolau taking

over from Matt Hewlett's number 4 shirt.

Elsewhere, Christian Roberts has returned to his 'lucky' number 18 shirt with Alan Reeves reverting to number 14. Patrick Collins takes the number 20, Ben Wells has been allocated 21, and Andy Caton has been given 22.

Receive the News First

If you would like to receive the news of new signings first then just subscribe to our official text service.

Once Manager Andy King has completed his transfer deals you can be the first to know. Whether you are on the move or not, you can receive the names of our new signings direct to you mobile.

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Town on Tour

Pre-Season 05/06

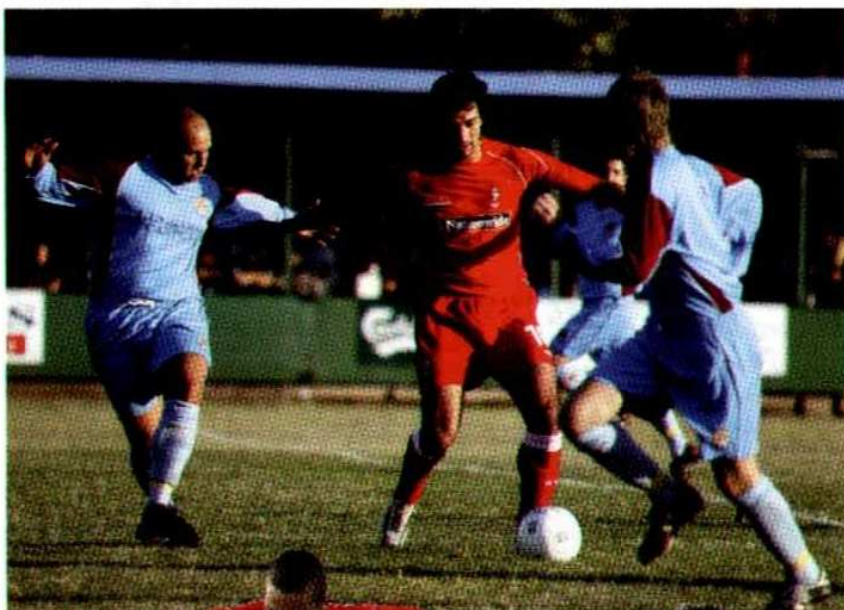
Whilst several Premiership clubs jetted off for a pre-season in Thailand, Swindon Town's players clocked up several hundred miles of their own in a busy build-up to the new League One campaign.

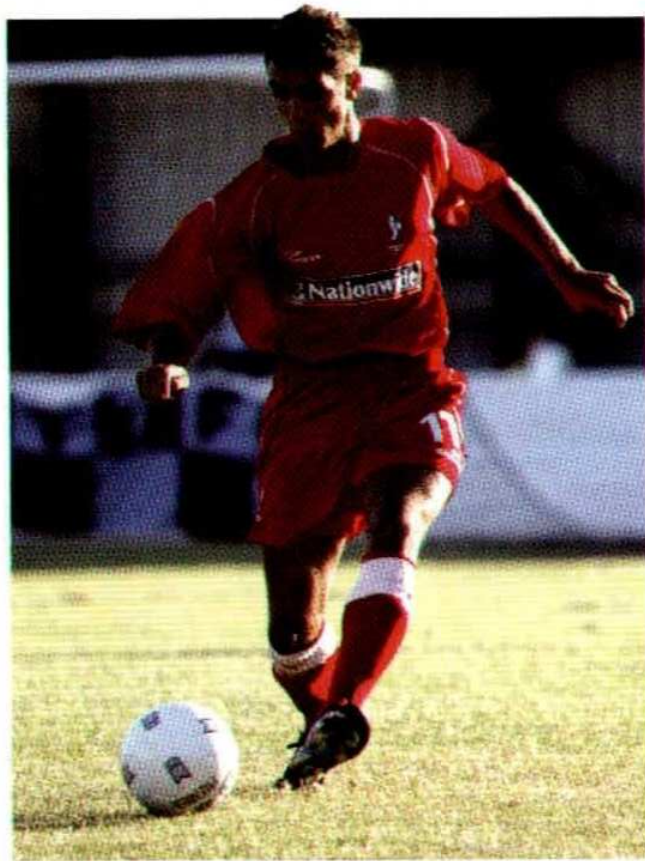
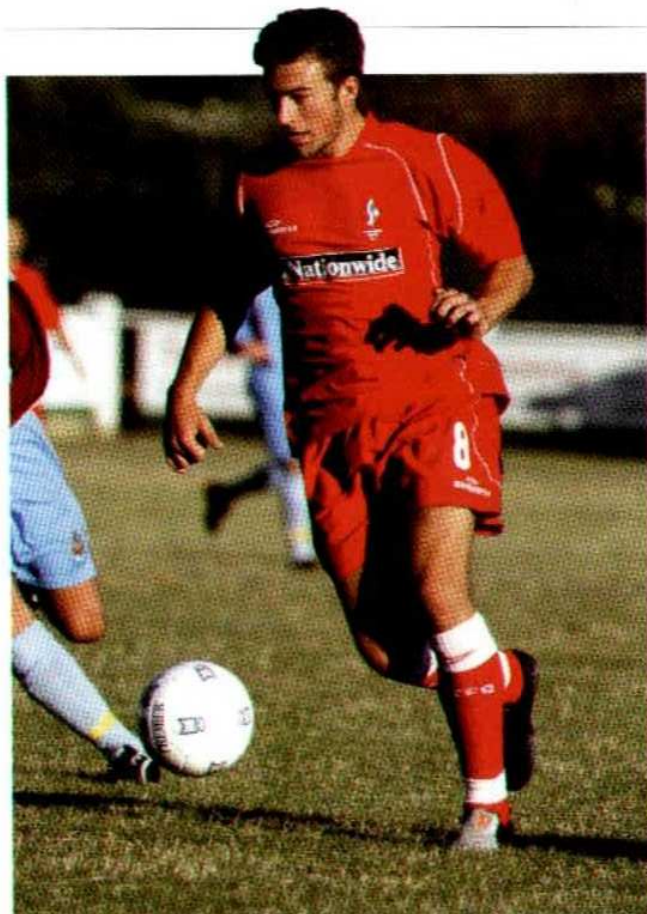
The players returned to training on July 1st and were soon pounding the streets of Swindon with a running session at The Lawns in Old Town. A behind-closed doors game at the training ground against **Oxford United** gave Andy King's squad their first opportunity to get involved in a match situation in early July before the pre-season fixtures got underway in earnest.

The short trip to **Cirencester Town** was an ideal opportunity for supporters to see several new signings in action and it wasn't long before the deadlock was broken. Ricky Shakes smashed the ball home at the back post after just two minutes. Further goals came from James Constable (Chippenham trialist) and Chris Taylor (penalty) in a **3-1** win. A large crowd of 798 were in attendance at The Corinium Stadium.

Next up came a trip to **Aylesbury United** where goals from Jamie Cureton and a late Rory Fallon header were enough to seal a **2-1** victory. It was a sweltering day at Buckingham Road made all the more memorable with the cross for the winning goal coming from an Aylesbury player. Town had used all their substitutes and were 'loaned' a player for the remaining few minutes. On came Jay Gould who went on to supply an inch-perfect cross for Fallon to seal a 2-1 win.

The pre-season venture down to the South-West has now become somewhat familiar for Town supporters and 2005 was no different as the squad played two matches on a short tour against





Bideford and Taunton Town.

The squad left The County Ground on Monday July 18th bound for **Bideford** and having trained at The Sports Ground shortly after arriving in Devon, faced their hosts the next evening. Michael Jordan (Arsenal trialist) lined up in goal in a strong starting eleven which included Tony Thorpe and Jamie Cureton up front. Rory Fallon opened the scoring but Ellis Laight levelled shortly after with the game ending at **1-1**.

The squad moved from Bideford to their base in Wellington, just outside Taunton on Wednesday July 20th and faced **Taunton Town** 24 hours later. An entertaining evening's football saw the lead exchange several times but a header either side of the break from Rory Fallon and a Michael Pook strike earned a **3-3** draw.

Two days later the Town were back on the road as they swapped the M5 for the M25 with a visit to the Broadfield Stadium where they faced **Crawley Town**. The Conference outfit were in fine form with former Charlton midfielder



John Robinson running the midfield show in the early stages. However, by the end of the afternoon Michael Pook had shown his class by powering in two thunderous strikes to earn his side a **4-3** win. Jamie Cureton also added to his pre-season tally with a brace.

The 'final destination' for Andy King's men was **Sherborne Town**. Rory Fallon was once again at the forefront of the goalscoring with the New Zealander grabbing

another brace which were his fifth and sixth strikes of the pre-season campaign. Andy Caton and Alan Reeves were the other scorers and Town now look forward to the serious business of Coca Cola League One.

Just over a week ago Town took on **Millwall** at the training ground with goals from Bob Peeters and Ben May enough to secure a Lions win in a match divided up into three 30-minute sessions.

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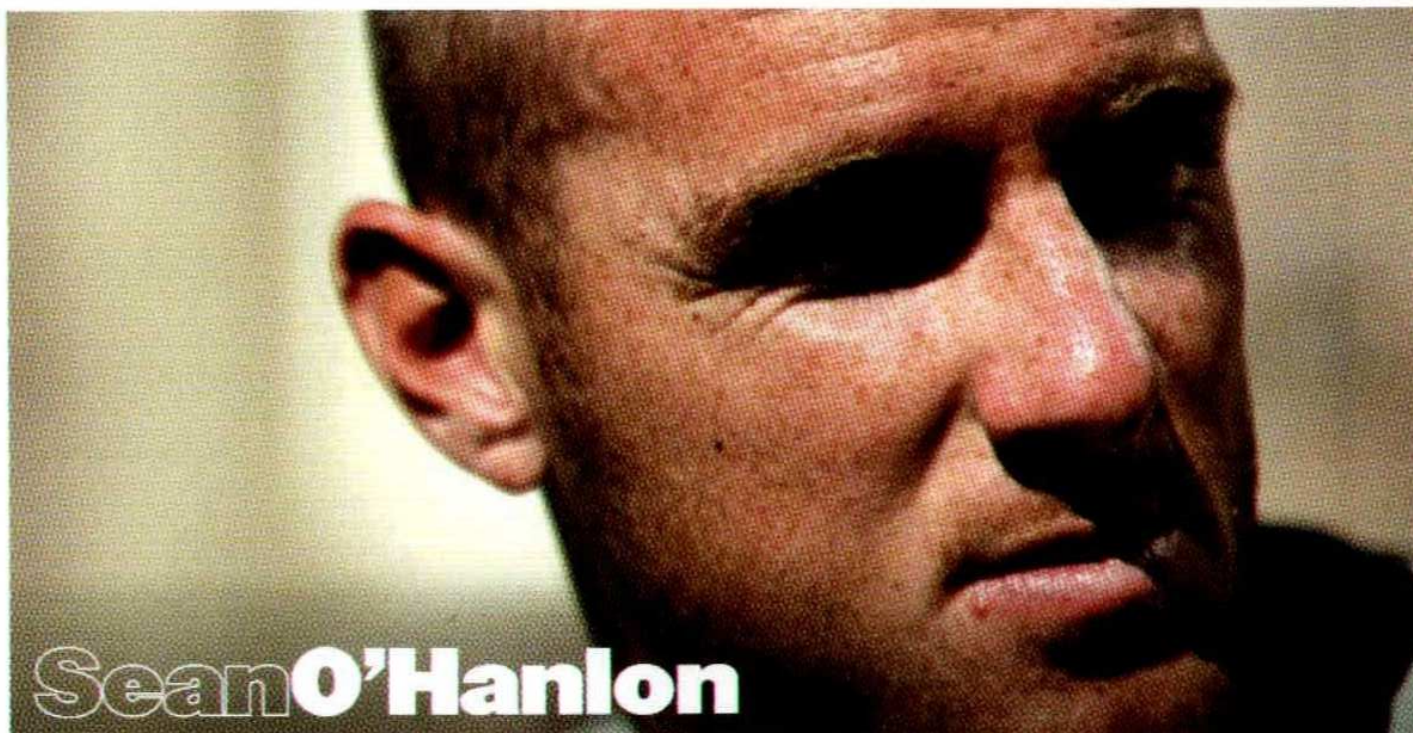


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Good evening and welcome back to The County Ground for the first home game of the 2005-6 season...

The squad has changed somewhat from when we last played here and we have made a number of new signings. Charlie (Comyn-Platt), Jack (Smith) and Patrick (Collins) have come in at the back and we are learning all the time about each others game. Everyone has their own style and the more we play together the more we will gel. That is something that goes for the team as a whole. Jamie (Cureton) and Tony (Thorpe) both made their debuts at the weekend and I am sure they will be looking to make an impression on the goalscoring charts this season.

Barnsley was a disappointing afternoon for us and was certainly not the start to the season we wanted. As a squad we thank you for your support at Oakwell and hope we can repay your efforts with a result tonight.

The positives to take from

the game were that we created chances early on and could have taken the lead that would have set us up nicely. Unfortunately we didn't get that bit of luck, and they broke away to score the opener.

We are all looking to make amends tonight and get off to a winning home start. The County Ground was good to us last season and if we are going to achieve this season then our home form will be crucial to any potential achievement. Oldham have signed a few players over the summer and they managed an opening day win at home to Yeovil Town so will arrive with some confidence, but we have to concentrate on our own game and get off to a solid start.

Sean O'Hanlon

STFC WORLD

This week on STFC World...

Tuesday 2nd

Rory Fallon spoke about the build-up to the Barnsley game and explained the week's training.

Wednesday 3rd

Highlights of last season's 2-2 draw at Oakwell broadcast online.

Thursday 4th

Andy King speaks with a pre-match interview.

Friday 5th

Pre-match player interview ahead of the game.

Saturday 6th

Live commentary of the opener at Oakwell where Town began the 2005-6 League campaign.

Sunday 7th

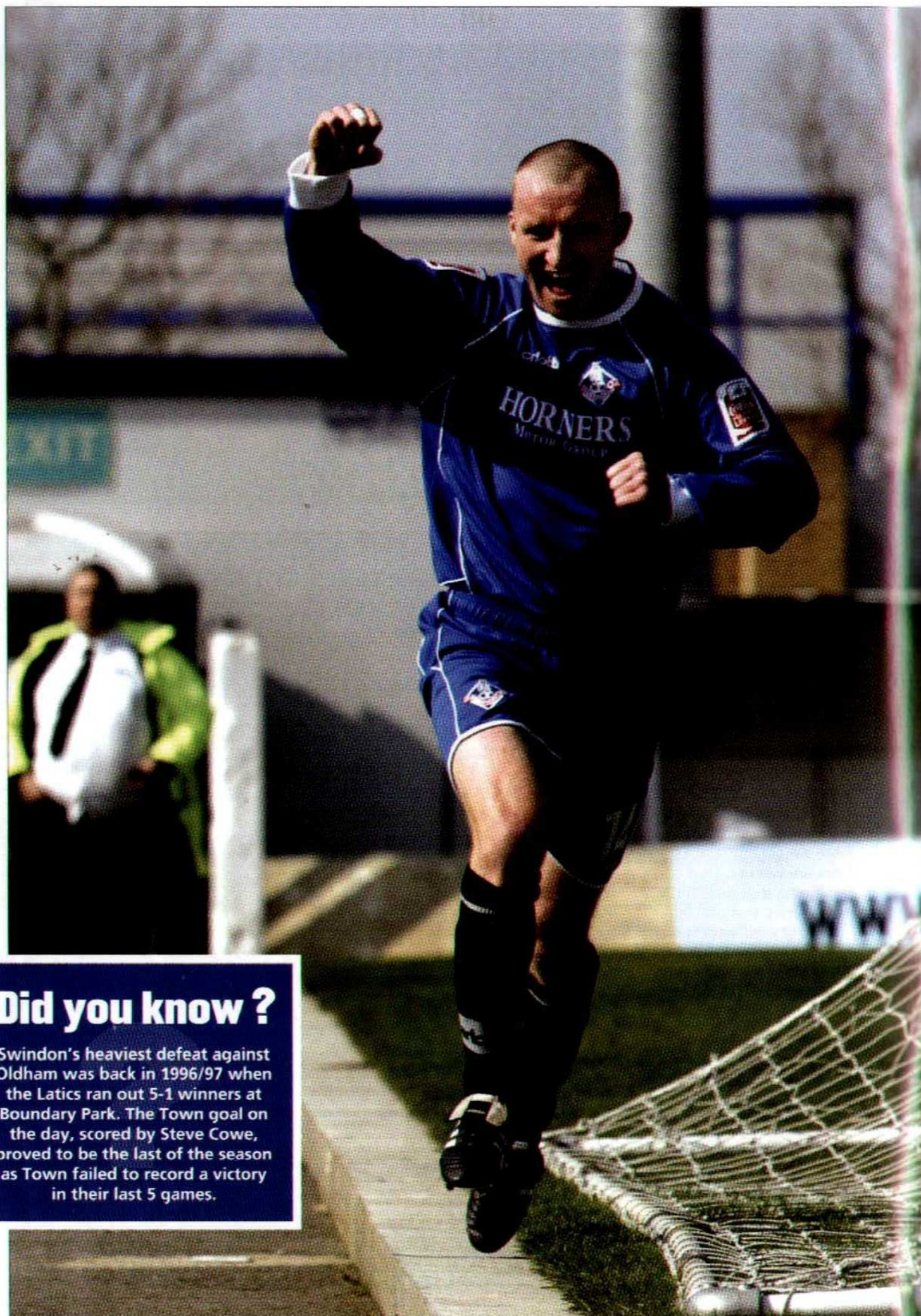
Highlights of Barnsley vs Swindon launched.

Monday 8th

Another pre-match interview down at the training ground.



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Did you know ?

Swindon's heaviest defeat against Oldham was back in 1996/97 when the Latics ran out 5-1 winners at Boundary Park. The Town goal on the day, scored by Steve Cowe, proved to be the last of the season as Town failed to record a victory in their last 5 games.

Oldham Athletic



Words: Dave Wallis

Welcome to the start of another season that will see both of tonight's clubs trying to improve on last season's final positions...

Oldham finished 2004/05, 19th in League One just one point above relegated Torquay United and everyone at Boundary Park will be hoping for a less fraught last day this time around.

Manager Ronnie Moore was appointed in March when he succeeded Brian Talbot, and just like Andy King, Moore has been revamping his squad.

In from Sheffield United came winger Andy Liddell, and another man with Sheffield on his CV, Luke Beckett spent last season on loan at Boundary Park before signing permanently from Wednesday. Unfortunately, Beckett sustained knee ligament damage and

looks set to miss the start of the campaign.

Also incoming have been midfielders Ritchie Wellens from Blackpool and ex-Town man Paul Edwards who arrived via Wrexham.

Last year's top scorer Chris Killen will again need watching. His ten goals claimed nine points last term, the difference between League One and League Two football. He is looking to overcome injury problems that have disrupted his recent seasons.

6ft 5in Australian keeper Les Pogliacomi signed a new two-year contract in the summer after turning down a move to Crystal Palace in February. He's made

120 league appearances in the last three seasons. Swindonian Steve Mildenhall also ran out six times last season, but spent much the campaign watching from the bench. He moved on in the summer.

David Eyres, who penned a new 12-month contract extension in the summer at the age of 41, continues his career well into his

Last October the Latics visited Wiltshire and left without any of the points, Christian Roberts securing Town's win with a 14th minute strike.

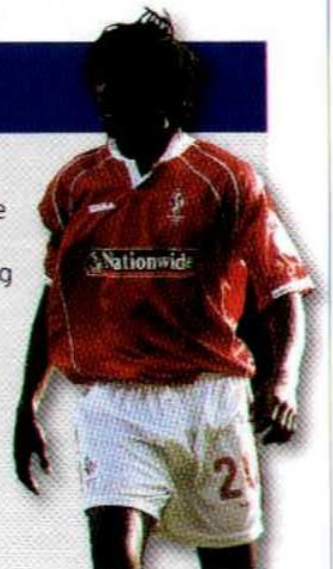
Cricket's all well and good, but now the real sport begins. Enjoy tonight's first home game of the season.

ONE TO WATCH: PAUL EDWARDS

Paul Edwards is a player who needs no introduction to Town fans having spent the 2001-2 season at The County Ground. After failing to settle in the South, he then made the move to Wrexham in June 2002 before moving on to Bloomfield Road.

He spent last season with Blackpool and in total has made over 100 first team appearances. A speedy winger with great skill who does not score

many goals but assists in the majority. Could well be a threat this evening with Oldham, like Town, looking to gel after introducing a host of new signings to their ranks. However, unlike the rest of the Latics squad – Edwards will be more accustomed to The County Ground than others.





Oldham Athletic



Last 5's

Season	League	Pos	FAC	LC
04/05	League One	19th	R4	R2
03/04	Division Two	15th	R2	R1
02/03	Division Two	5th	R2	R4
01/02	Division Two	9th	R3	R2
00/01	Division Two	15th	R2	R2

Date	Venue	F-A	Att.
05.02.05	Boundary Park	2-1	5,810
16.10.04	County Ground	1-0	5,522
24.04.04	County Ground	1-2	8,506
15.11.03	Boundary Park	1-0	5,282
26.04.03	Boundary Park	0-4	6,873

Date	Opponents	H/A	Score
06.08.05	Yeovil Town	H	W2-0
07.05.05	Bradford City	H	W2-1
30.04.05	Chesterfield	A	L1-0
23.04.05	Torquay Utd	H	L2-1
16.04.05	Bransley	A	D2-2

Player	From	£
Chris Day	QPR	Free
Luke Berkett	Sheff United	Loan
Chris Swailes	Rotherham	Free
Mark Hughes	Tottenham	Free
Andy Liddell	Sheff Utd	Free

Player	To	£
Danny Boshell	Stockport	Free
Dean Holden	Peterborough	Free
Steve Mildenhall	Grimsby	Free
Scott Vernon	Blackpool	Free
Kevin Betsy	Wycombe	Free

Goalkeepers

Les Pogliacomì joined Latics in July 2002 after being released from his contract with Parramatta Power in Australia. Standing at 6'4" Les is a great shot stopper and when at his best commands the whole of the penalty area. Winner of the Oldham player of the year award in his first full season and a move up to the Premiership was talked about before he signed a new contract at Boundary Park.

trainee at Oldham but now an established member of the first team. **Adam Griffin** is an adaptable player who can play at either left back or left sided midfield. Came through the youth ranks at Boundary Park to establish his place in the team after an injury battle.

Terrell Forbes is a 23-year old defender who joined the Latics from QPR in the summer of 2005. An experienced player who has more than 150 games under his belt. Previously with Grimsby Town and Bournemouth. Leicester-born **Guy Branston** is another player with vast experience, but since starting off his career in

Defenders

Will Haining began as a

Probable Line-Up



1997 has had an astonishing 10 loan spells. Signed from Sheffield Wednesday in February this year.

Chris Swailes has amassed over 400 games during an established career and enjoyed the longest of these spells at Bury and Rotherham United and is a dominant defender. **Stefan Stam** joined Latics in February 2005 from Dutch football, Stefan's previous clubs include AZ Alkmaar and PSV Eindhoven. Stam's number one position is normally at the centre of defence but he is happy playing anywhere across the back line. Not frightened of being involved in the mix Stefan is a great addition to the Latics squad.

Midfielders

David Eyres, 41, continues to perform having made over 700 appearances for Blackpool, Burnley, Preston and Oldham scoring 165 goals. A model professional who signed a new one year deal in the summer. Midfielder **Mark Bonner** joined from Cardiff on deadline day in 2004 and his performances were rewarded with a 2-year contract. **Ritchie Wellens** is another player who will be known to both Swindon fans and Sammy Igoe! The former Blackpool midfielder started his career at Manchester United before signing on at Bloomfield Road for a nominal fee in March 2000. He then



- The last time Swindon faced Oldham for the first home game of the season was on **Wednesday 18th August 1993**, Town's first ever home game in the Premiership. Town lost 1-0 to a last minute goal from Paul Bernard in front of 11,940 fans. Oldham

made over 200 starts for the Tangerines before a summer switch to Boundary Park.

Forwards

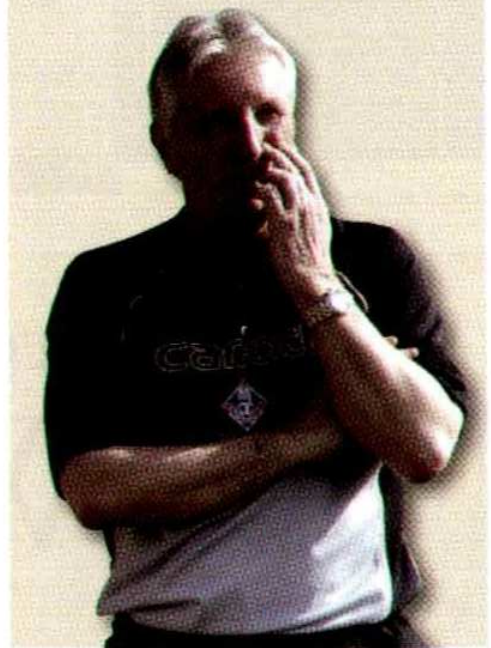
Andy Liddell could prove to be an influential signing for the Latics. The massively experienced frontman lists Barnsley, Wigan and Sheffield United as his former clubs. His strikerate stands at 107 goals in 374 league starts and he signed from Sheffield United in June 2005. New Zealand international striker **Chris Killen** signed for Oldham from Man. City for £200,000 in July 2002. **Delroy Facey** is another striker with experience having previously been with Bolton Wanderers, Bradford City, Burnley, Huddersfield Town and West Brom – but it is at Oldham that he will hope to make a real name for himself. Having had three loan spells in as many years, Facey's strike rate stands at 27 goals in 78 league starts. **Paul Warne** joined from Rotherham United and has also had spells with Wigan Athletic and Kettering Town. **Luke Beckett** joined the Latics on loan but a knee ligament injury sustained during pre-season will rule him out of action this evening. Beckett began his career with Barnsley but it was with Chester, Chesterfield and Stockport where he made his name.

Ronnie Moore

Ronnie Moore took over the reigns at Boundary Park following the departure of Brian Talbot.

Moore enjoyed an illustrious career playing with Tranmere, Cardiff, Rotherham, Charlton and Rochdale before turning his hand to Management with Tranmere and Rotherham before joining Oldham Athletic.

To the start of the 2005-2006 campaign Ronnie Moore as a manager has been in charge of over 400 games, winning 150, drawing 129 and losing 143 and he hopes to boost the winning column considerably this season having avoided the drop last term.



Interesting Facts...

also got relegated that season, finishing 21st, ten points ahead of bottom placed Swindon. For more on this season see pages 50-51.

- Ex-Striker **Sam Parkin** spent the latter part of the 2000/01 season on loan at Oldham. He scored 3



goals in 7 appearances, including a double against Swansea.

- Ex-stars **Jan-Aage Fjortoft** and **Gunnar Halle** were both part of the Norway squad that travelled to the 1994 World Cup in the USA. They now work together at Lillestrom SK where Halle is coach and Fjortoft is Director of Football.



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All this business about a summer break is something of a myth. The quaint image of the goalposts coming down and the cricket stumps being put in place is all firmly in the past.

I love my football but it was hard not to find some sympathy with a colleague who groaned in disbelief when Liverpool began their Champions League campaign before the Ashes had barely started (if indeed they had started?).

He raised the point that there was a real danger of football overload. If we don't

have a break from it, is there a chance that people will eventually be turned off?

I don't think that would ever happen in my case but there's always a chance that too much exposure can drive people away.

I wonder if there is actually a day in the year now where competitive football isn't taking place somewhere? Anyway, enough of all that. These notes are being penned ahead of the big kick-off but here's hoping we got off to a cracking start at Oakwell.

A lot is made about the importance of a good start and you only have to look at Luton's success last season to realise that there must be something in it.

Tonight we kick off the home portion of the campaign with the visit of Oldham Athletic.



Ronnie Moore looks to have strengthened after the Latics came perilously close to the drop last season.

You don't wish injury on anyone but I'm sure the likely absence of Luke Beckett tonight will please Andy King.

The corresponding fixture last season saw Christian Roberts net a debut winner as we halted a miserable run of home results against the Latics.

I'm sure the Welshman would settle for a similar scenario tonight. Hopefully we can pocket the three points this evening and then look ahead to the visit of Nottingham Forest on Saturday. It's still hard to believe they're in this league. Somehow I don't think they're going to find it's a stroll in the park.

Welcome back, enjoy the game, hopefully the new guys will gel quickly and as the man with the mic says 'Let's play football!'

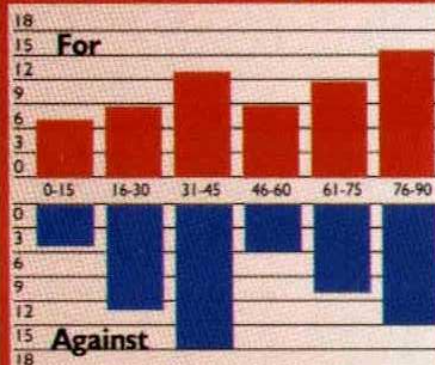
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Jon

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Swindon Town v. Oldham



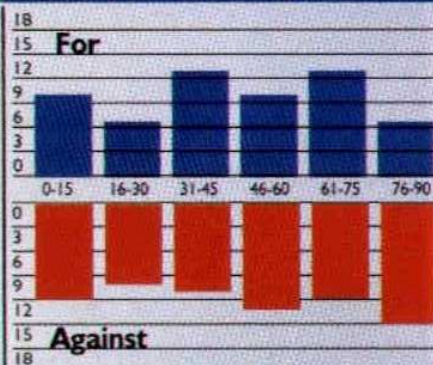
When for & against



Where & how scored

26	Close range	20
27	Inside 18yd box	29
13	Outside 18yd box	11
31	Shots	31
20	Headers	14
9	Volleys	11
2	Penalties	2
3	Free Kicks	2
1	Own Goals	0

When for & against



Last 6 results

Opponents	H/A	Score
Chesterfield	H	1-1
Huddersfield	A	0-4
Tranmere	H	2-1
Hull	A	0-0
Bristol City	H	0-0
Walsall	H	1-2

Swings

Won when Behind	4
Drawn when Behind	7
Drawn when Ahead	7
Lost when Ahead	2

Discipline

Fouls committed	613
Average per game	13.33
Yellow cards	58
Red cards	6

Set piece goals

Scored from free kick	7
Conc from free kick	6
Scored from corner	11
Conc from corner	5

Strike ratio

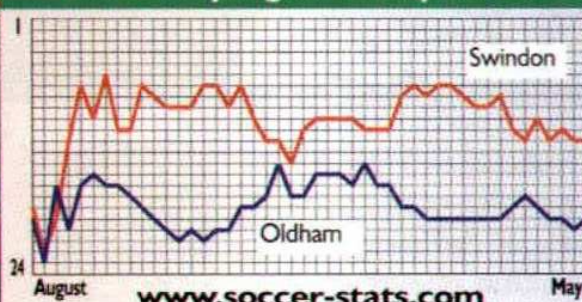
Shots on target	228
Goals scored	66
% shots scored	28.9
Divisional rating	8

Top scorer

Sam Parkin

Goals Scored	23
Games Played	41
Points Won	21

Seasonal progress comparison



Best winning sequence	3	Best winning sequence	4
Worst losing sequence	2	Worst losing sequence	6

Last 6 results

Opponents	H/A	Score
Bradford	H	2-1
Chesterfield	A	0-1
Torquay	H	1-2
Barnsley	A	2-2
Sheff Wed	H	1-1
MK Dons	A	1-1

Swings

Won when Behind	2
Drawn when Behind	4
Drawn when Ahead	6
Lost when Ahead	6

Discipline

Fouls committed	543
Average per game	11.8
Yellow cards	77
Red cards	1

Set piece goals

Scored from free kick	10
Conc from free kick	4
Scored from corner	5
Conc from corner	6

Strike ratio

Shots on target	256
Goals scored	60
% shots scored	23.4
Divisional rating	18

Top scorer

Chris Killen

Goals Scored	10
Games Played	26
Points Won	9

Last meeting at County Ground

1-0	
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Evans, Illi, Mitchell, Nicholas, O'Hanlon, Igoe, Hewlett, Duke (McMaster 56), Howard, Fallon, Roberts	Poggiacomini, Lomax, Holden, Haining, Hall D, Vernon, Lee (Winn 83), Eyre, Eyres (Hall D 71), Betsy, Barlow (Griffin 71)
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Sent Off none	Sent Off none

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Past, Present and Future

Well, here we go again, the start of another fresh football campaign.

It seems like only yesterday that I was writing my programme notes for the final home game of last season. However, I don't know about you, but, I generally start to miss my football after about three weeks, and it seems strange going shopping on a Saturday afternoon, rather than looking after all our Corporate Matchday guests here on a matchday.

Well many of you would have attended the Elton John Concert that was held here at the County Ground in June. What a great night it was. It really was heartening to see the ground full to capacity, and I hope that it is not too long before we see it full once again, but this time for Swindon Town and a football match. Maybe it will be this season!

I would like to put on record my thanks to every member of staff who played their part in the Elton John concert. This really was a huge team effort by everyone, and proved to

many, that the Club have staff who are capable of putting together such high profile concerts at the ground. As I mentioned before, it was a great night for atmosphere, the weather was exceptionally kind to us, and to have an artiste with such a following, appearing here, was just unbelievable. However, our team managed to pull it off for the town of Swindon and the local community.

I have been asked on what our plans are for next year. At this moment in time, it is a little too early to say. But you can guarantee that the wheels are all ready in motion to have more concerts here at the club. Whilst it is good for the whole area, they also bring in much needed revenue for the club, at a time when, apart from season ticket money, conference and banqueting bookings and shop merchandise, income is normally at its lowest.

Anyway, as they say, watch this space for any future Concert news.

Mike Sullivan
Sales & Marketing Manager

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Rhys Evans 



Position: Goalkeeper
Age: 23 **D.O.B:** 27/01/1982
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 4lbs
Previous Clubs: Leyton Orient (loan), QPR (loan), Bristol Rovers (loan), Chelsea
STFC Debut: vs. Southend, 12/08/03
Apps: 96(+1) **Goals:** 0

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Sean O'Hanlon 





Position: Defender
Age: 22 **D.O.B:** 02/01/1983
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 3lbs
Previous Clubs: Everton
STFC Debut: vs. Notts Co, 24/01/04
Apps: 65(+4) **Goals:** 6

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Jack Smith 





Position: Defender
Age: 21 **D.O.B:** 14/10/1983
Height: 5' 11" **Weight:** 11st 3lbs
Previous Clubs: Watford
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 1 **Goals:** 0

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Nicky Nicolau 





Position: Midfielder
Age: 21 **D.O.B:** 12/10/1983
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Previous Clubs: Southend, Arsenal
STFC Debut: n/a
Apps: 0 **Goals:** 0

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Jerellfil 



Position: Defender
Age: 23 **D.O.B:** 27/06/1982
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 10lbs
Previous Clubs: Huddersfield (loan), Watford
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 01/02/03
Apps: 60(+8) **Goals:** 0

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Steve Jenkins 





Position: Defender
Age: 32 **D.O.B:** 16/07/1972
Height: 5' 10" **Weight:** 10st 9lbs
Previous Clubs: Peterborough, Notts Co, Cardiff, Birmingham (loan), Huddersfield, Swansea
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Apps: 27 **Goals:** 1

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Gareth Whalley 





Position: Midfielder
Age: 31 **D.O.B:** 19/12/1973
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Previous Clubs: Wigan, Cardiff, Bradford, Crewe
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
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Rory Fallon 





Position: Forward
Age: 23 **D.O.B:** 20/03/1982
Height: 6' 2" **Weight:** 11st 9lbs
Previous Clubs: Yeovil (loan), Shrewsbury (loan), Barnsley
STFC Debut: vs. Oldham, 15/11/03
Apps: 23(+37) **Goals:** 11

Bizzi Bees

Mandy Woodhouse




Tony Thorpe 



Position: Forward
Age: 30 **D.O.B:** 10/04/1974
Height: 5' 9" **Weight:** 12st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Rotherham (loan), QPR, Luton, Reading (loan), Bristol City, Fulham, Luton, Leicester
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 1 **Goals:** 0

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Stefani Miglioranza 





Position: Midfielder
Age: 27 **D.O.B:** 20/09/1977
Height: 6' 1" **Weight:** 12st 10lbs
Previous Clubs: Portsmouth
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 10/08/02
Apps: 99(+9) **Goals:** 8

Mr Harry Fitchett & Mrs Brenda Peachey

Chris, Nicky, & Matthew Rowe




Jamie Cureton 





Position: Forward
Age: 29 **D.O.B:** 28/08/1975
Height: 5' 8" **Weight:** 10st 7lbs
Previous Clubs: QPR, Pusan Icons, Reading, Bristol Rovers, Bournemouth (loan), Norwich
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 1 **Goals:** 0

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Ricky Shakes 



Position: Forward
Age: 20 **D.O.B:** 25/01/1985
Height: 5' 10" **Weight:** 12st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Bury (loan), Bristol Rovers (loan), Bolton
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 1 **Goals:** 0

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Matthew Bulman 




Position: Goalkeeper
Age: 18 **D.O.B:** 14/10/1986
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Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: n/a
Apps: 0 **Goals:** 0


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Alan Reeves 




Position: Defender
Age: 38 **D.O.B:** 19/11/1967
Height: 6' 0" **Weight:** 12st 0lbs
Previous Clubs: Wimbledon, Rochdale, Chester, Gillingham (loan), Norwich, Heswell
STFC Debut: vs. Sheff Utd, 08/08/98
Apps: 215(+20) **Goals:** 14


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Andy Nicholas 



Position: Defender
Age: 21 **D.O.B:** 10/10/1983
Height: 6' 2" **Weight:** 12st 8lbs
Previous Clubs: Chester (loan), Liverpool
STFC Debut: vs. Boston, 15/10/03
Apps: 42(+12) **Goals:** 2

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Kyle Lapham 



Position: Defender
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 17/01/1986
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 30/04/05
Apps: 2 **Goals:** 0

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Charlie Comyn-Platt 




Position: Defender
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 02/10/1985
Height: 6' 2" **Weight:** 12st 8lbs
Previous Clubs: Wycombe (loan), Bolton
STFC Debut: n/a
Apps: 0 **Goals:** 0


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Christian Roberts 




Position: Forward
Age: 25 **D.O.B:** 22/10/1979
Height: 5' 11" **Weight:** 13st 8lbs
Previous Clubs: Bristol City, Exeter, Drogheda (loan), Hereford (loan), Cardiff
STFC Debut: vs. Oldham, 16/10/04
Apps: 20(+4) **Goals:** 4


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Michael Pook 




Position: Midfielder
Age: 19 **D.O.B:** 24/06/1986
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Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Boston, 15/10/03
Apps: 6(+3) **Goals:** 0


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Patrick Collins 



Position: Defender
Age: 20 **D.O.B:** 04/02/1985
Height: 6' 2" **Weight:** 12st 8lbs
Previous Clubs: Sheffield Wednesday, Sunderland
STFC Debut: vs. Barnsley, 06/08/05
Apps: 1 **Goals:** 0

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Ben Wells 




Position: Forward
Age: 17 **D.O.B:** 11/12/1987
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: vs. Huddersfield, 30/04/05
Apps: (+3) **Goals:** 0


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Andy Caton 



Position: Forward
Age: 17 **D.O.B:** 03/12/1987
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: Southampton, North Leigh
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Apps: 2(+7) **Goals:** 1

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Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: n/a
Apps: n/a **Goals:** n/a

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Position: n/a
Age: n/a **D.O.B:** n/a
Height: n/a **Weight:** n/a
Previous Clubs: n/a
STFC Debut: n/a
Apps: n/a **Goals:** n/a

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Andy King 



Position: Manager
Born: Luton, 14th August 1956
Previous Clubs: Mansfield
Playing Career: Luton Town, Everton, QPR, WBA, Everton, Wolves, Luton Town, Aldershot.

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Ian Woan 



Position: Youth Coach
Born: 14/12/1967
Playing Career: Shrewsbury, Syracuse, Columbus, Swindon, Barnsley, Nottingham Forest, Runcorn

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Position: Physio
Previous Clubs: none

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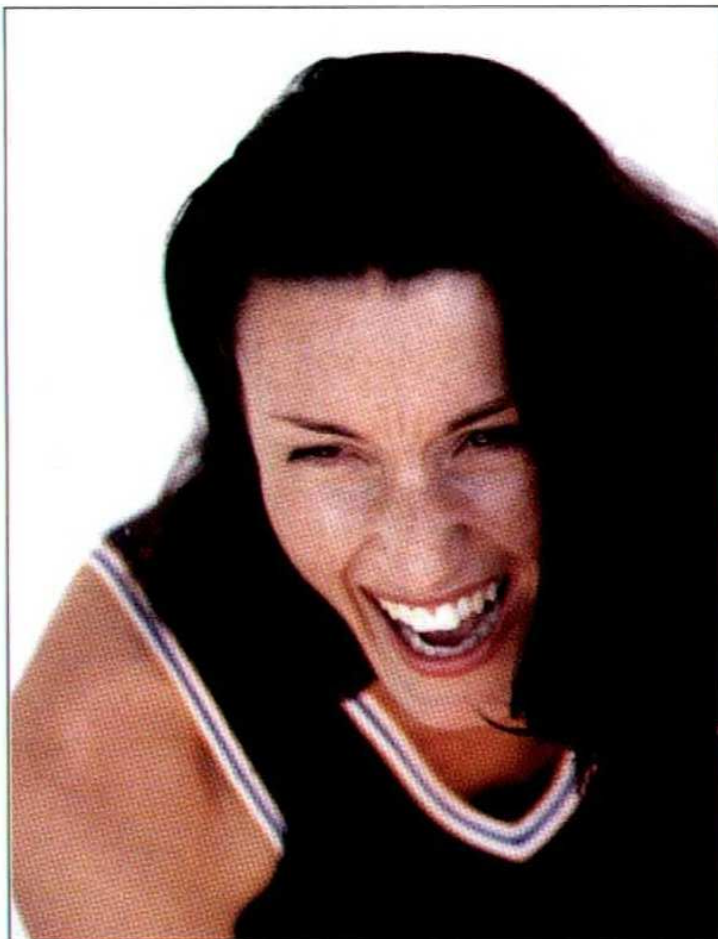


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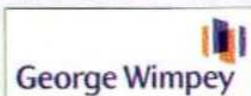


Gallery Elton John Concert



Picture 1: Sales & Marketing Manager Mike Sullivan and Chief Executive Sandy Gray with Sir Elton John; **Picture 2:** Sales & Marketing Administrator Sarah Mildenhall and Junior Robins Co-ordinator Andrea Garratt with Lulu; **Picture 3:** Changes are made ahead of the concert.

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Gary Barnes

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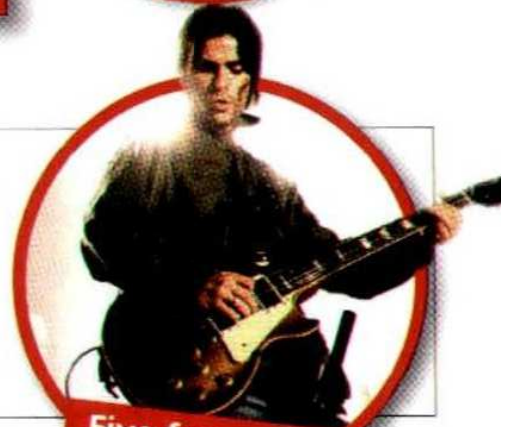
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4. Coldplay
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Five Greatest Footballers Ever?

1. Maradona
2. Pele
3. George Best
4. Johan Cruyff
5. Zinedine Zidane



Top five football grounds played at ?

1. The County Ground
2. Millennium Stadium
3. Wembley
4. Anfield
5. St.James Park (Newcastle!)



Five favourite cars ?

1. Lamborghini
2. McLaren Mercedes SLR
3. Aston Martin Vanquish
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5. Ferrari 550 Maranello



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1. Maradona in the 1986 World Cup
2. Trevor Sinclair's overhead kick
3. Rory's overhead against Bristol City
4. Van Basten volley against Russia
5. Matt Le Tissier vs Newcastle

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Welcome back to the new 2005-6 season. The summers seem to get shorter and shorter and this one has been no different...

Our last game ended with the Under 18's winning the Youth Alliance Trophy on May 2nd. This was a fitting end to a very satisfying season for us.

The lads were all sent away with fitness regimes to follow during the holiday period and from what we have seen so far they seem to have stuck to them diligently.

We have seen a few departures from last year's successful squad. Michael Pook, Kyle Lapham and Matty Bulman (pictured right) have all stepped up to the first team squad which is a great feather in the cap for the whole youth set-up. In bidding farewell to the three mentioned, we also welcome six new recruits who join us as first year scholars.

Here is a bit about them:

Jon Stewart – A six foot

three goalkeeper, Jon has previous experience with QPR and Leicester and has a great presence in and around the box.

Gary Pryde – A very skilful right back with an eye for going forward. Previously with Crystal Palace, Gary joined us towards the end of last season and went on to score the winning penalty in the Alliance Cup Final.

Jimmy Walker – Tricky right winger who has been brought up through the Centre of Excellence age-groups.

Scott Doe – Former Reading central defender who has been a regular fixture in the Under 18's for the last two years, despite being at Under 16 level.

Chris Allen – Competitive

central midfield player who has excellent feet and likes to get amongst the goals. Great energy and has a bright future if he keeps continues to progress.

Lukas Jutkiewicz

– Another six foot plus centre forward, Lukas was top scorer at last year's Milk Cup Tournament and is a physical presence. Very strong in the air but also has a good touch for a big lad.

We kick-off our season with a game against Cirencester Town on Saturday August 13th at The Corinium Stadium.

Enjoy tonight's game against Oldham.



Ian Woan

Ian Woan

Milk Cup Update



Going to the Milk Cup with the squad was a very enjoyable experience for all the kids and the coaches.

It was the first time I had been there although some of the coaching staff had been there before. It was a massive tournament and the parade at the opening ceremony was something to behold. Walking through the streets of Coleraine with the crowds applauding you was quite humbling in some ways.

On the football side obviously we take a junior team in the Under 14 Under 15 categories but they were still a youngish side. However, they acquitted themselves really well. Although they drew in the first game, the next two games against Shelbourne and County Antrim were losses.

We then played County London Derry that we won and again that could have gone either way. The win gave the side a bit of confidence and in the final game we beat Queen Of The South. We played very well winning 3-2 but we got a little sloppy towards the end but we played really well.

The signs are positive and there are positives there for the future. The first few games were important because that determines the draw afterwards so really you've got to try and either win both your games or win and draw to get into the top section. With us drawing and losing we didn't get into the top section so we had to go into the next section but we always knew it would be hard for our boys. We played four Irish teams who were collectively characterised by the fact that they were very tall and big strong lads. The Irish sides played well but it makes a difference to have that kind of physical strength and we found it hard at times but I've got to say that the lads really stuck at it.

Overall I was pleased and in terms of their development we got everything we could have hoped for from the tour. It has left the players in good stead ready to kick on from here into the new season.

Iffy Onuora



Reserve Fixtures 05/06

Aug 16	CHELTHENHAM	H	2pm
Sep 6	BOURNEMOUTH	H	2pm
Sep 21	Yeovil Town	A	7pm
Oct 5	Bristol City	A	2pm
Oct 10	Bristol Rovers	A	7:30am
Nov 8	Plymouth	A	7pm
Nov 15	CARDIFF	H	2pm
Nov 29	SWANSEA	H	2pm
Dec 13	Cheltenham	A	7pm
Jan 10	Bournemouth	A	2pm
Jan 24	YEOVIL	H	2pm
Feb 8	Swansea	A	7pm
Feb 21	BRISTOL ROV	H	2pm
Mar 7	BRISTOL CITY	H	2pm
Apr 4	PLYMOUTH	H	2pm
Apr 19	Cardiff	A	2pm



Pontins Combination Final Table 04/05

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cardiff	15	9	2	4	33	19	29
Plymouth	15	8	2	5	30	24	26
Chelt'ham	15	6	6	3	24	19	24
Yeovil	14	7	2	5	31	25	23
Bristol C	15	7	1	7	28	26	22
Bristol R	15	6	3	6	29	34	21
Swansea	15	5	2	8	25	43	17
Swindon	14	4	2	8	27	27	14
B'mouth	16	3	4	9	18	28	13

Youth Fixtures 05/06

Aug 13	Cirencester	A	11am
Aug 20	NEWPORT	H	11am
Sep 3	Bournemouth	A	11am
Sep 10	BRISTOL ROV	H	11am
Sep 17	Swansea	A	11am
Sep 24	Cup R1		
Oct 1	Cup R2		
Oct 8	Oxford United	A	11am
Oct 15	EXETER CITY	H	11am
Oct 22	Cup R3		
Oct 29	Cup R4		
Nov 5	Cup R5		
Nov 19	PLYMOUTH	H	11am
Nov 26	Yeovil Town	A	11am
Dec 10	Cheltenham	A	11am
Dec 17	HEREFORD	H	11am
Jan 7	OXFORD UTD	H	11am
Jan 14	Exeter City	A	11am
Jan 21	Plymouth	A	11am
Feb 4	YEOVIL TOWN	H	11am
Feb 11	Cup QF		
Feb 18	CHELTHENHAM	H	11am
Feb 25	Hereford	A	11am
Mar 11	CIRENCESTER	H	11am
Mar 25	Newport	A	11am
Apr 1	BOURNEMOUTH	H	11am
Apr 8	Bristol Rovers	A	11am
Apr 15	SWANSEA	H	11am

Merit League South Final Table 04/05

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cambridge	8	6	2	0	16	10	20
B'mouth	8	4	1	3	16	14	13
Q.P.R.	8	4	0	4	16	11	12
W.B.A.	8	3	2	3	13	11	11
L Orient	8	3	2	3	16	15	11
Swindon	8	3	2	3	11	15	11
Brentford	8	3	1	4	15	15	10
Exeter	8	1	4	3	10	15	7
Luton	8	1	2	5	9	16	5

A Positive Start

Pre-Season has been a little stop start as we only have a squad of thirteen players. So, with a couple of injuries and first team call-ups it has been difficult to sustain any momentum.

We have sometimes had to wrap them up in cotton wool so we make sure we are ready for the start of our season.

This can also be a positive because it gives the younger lads a chance to train and play with the first team that is what we have seen over the past month or so. It is also what the youth team is all about.

Swindon Town's Under 18 Pre-Season Results:

Swindon Town U18's	1	Fairford Town	0
Swindon Town U18's	3	Southampton	5
Swindon Town U18's	3	Oxford United	0
Swindon Town U18's	6	Cirencester Town	1
Brentford	3	Swindon Town U18's	1

Back In Business

SEAN O'HANLON RETURNED TO PRE-SEASON TRAINING IN JULY REFRESHED AND READY FOR ACTION AFTER A RELAXING SUMMER BREAK, BUT IS AS DETERMINED AS EVER FOR SUCCESS THIS SEASON....

O'Hanlon missed the last few games of the last campaign through injury but is now fighting fit after a soothing summer holiday.

"I had a good summer, spent sometime away and went to America for a while which was a nice break. Everyone needs a rest at the end of what is now a long season. You play nearly fifty games a season and as players we can't go on holiday at any time in the year so you have to make the most of the summer while you can."

The first team squad began their build-up to the new season down in Bideford where they played games against their host Town before moving back up the M5 to play Taunton Town. O'Hanlon almost got on the scoresheet at Bideford with a thundering header but despite not getting off

the mark – it was a positive build-up all the same.

"The games we had were useful exercises and I went into the first couple of games just looking to get my fitness back. As a defender I accepted that I would lose a header or two if my timing was out after the break, as would the strikers going into the first pre-season game.

"Any pre-season period is about getting into peak condition ahead of the new season and to that end it was good preparation.

The Southport-born defender has now made over sixty appearances in the red and white of Swindon Town since coming on at Notts County in January 2004. Since then he has made a great impression on Town fans with some commanding performances.

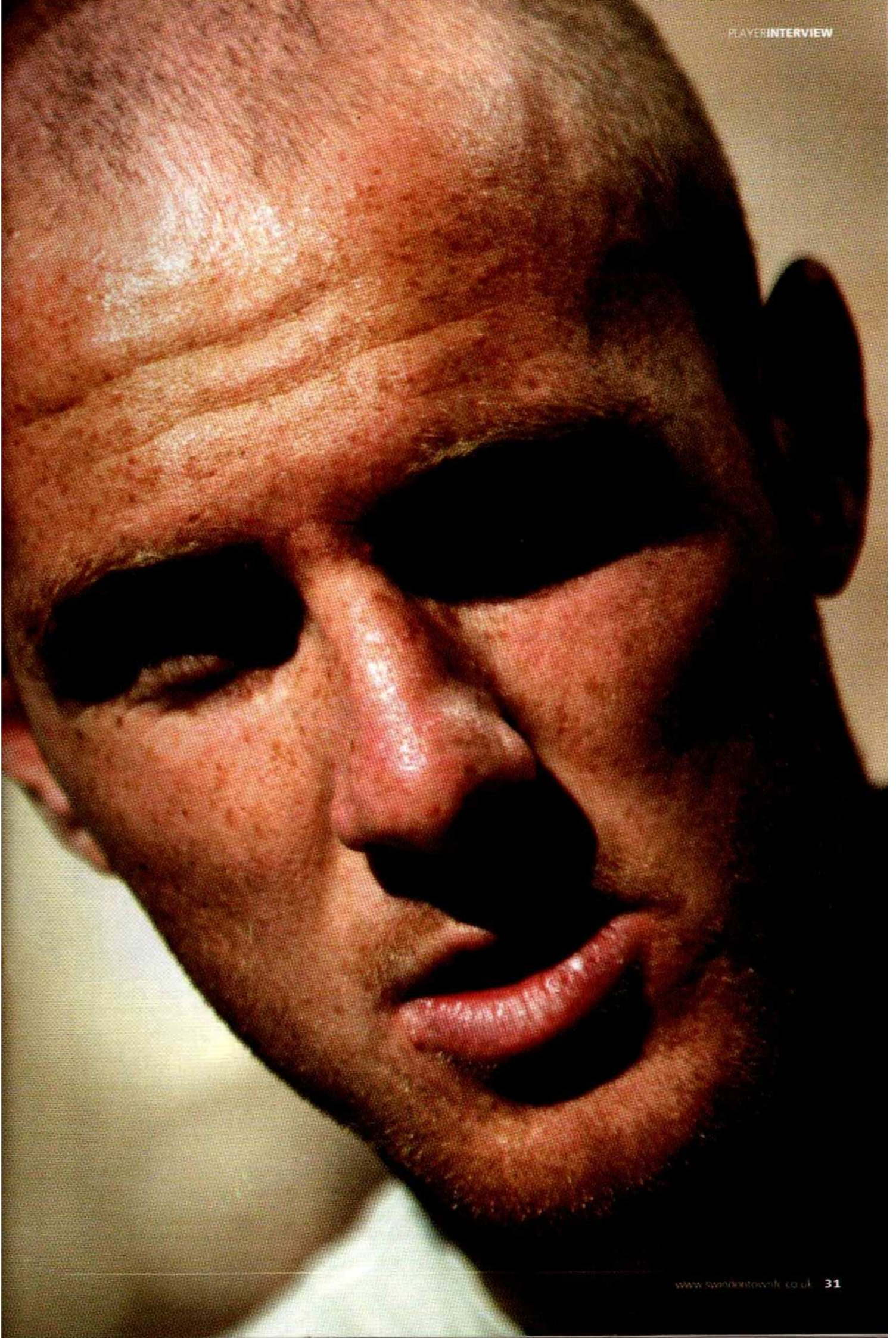
"The goal last year was for me to play in every game and by the end of the season I had only missed three or four so I was pretty happy with that. It is another aim of mine this season, to try and play in every game."

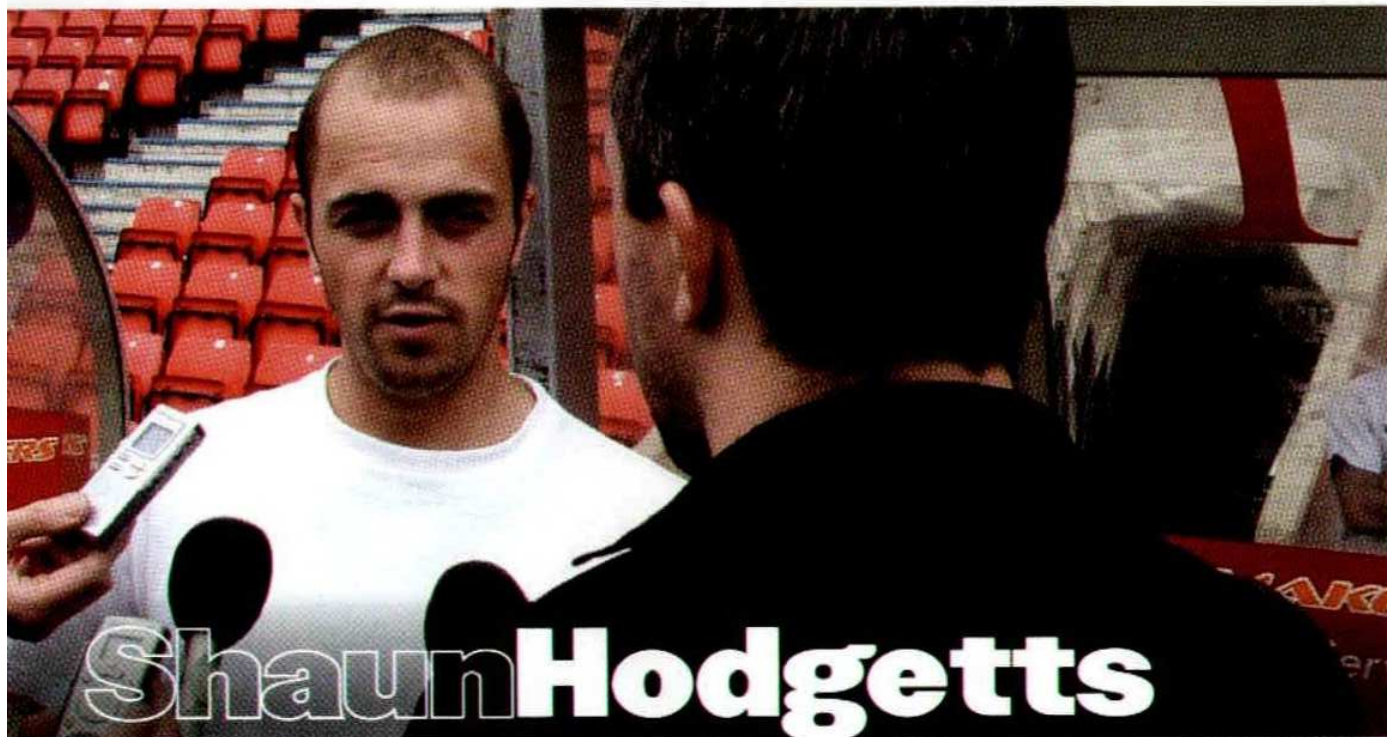
Having skippered the Town side on various occasions since his arrival at the club, are there any former Captains which have inspired Town's number two as a leader?

"All Captains are different. If you look at someone like David Beckham he does his talking with his feet. You wouldn't say he was a shouter but on the other hand you could look to someone like Tony Adams who was an old-fashioned, perhaps more traditional Captain.

"Any pre-season period is about getting into peak condition ahead of the new season and to that end it was good preparation."

"As a youngster David Weir was probably someone I looked up to. He was of a similar build to myself and he had many great qualities. I thought to myself anything he could do, I could do so I looked closely at his game. In my eyes he has been one of the greatest Everton players over the last five years."





Shaun Hodgetts

Here we go, here we go, here we go...again! We're back with the usual optimism and sense of anticipation for the next nine months. Who really knows how the season will shape up, our heroes, villains, highs and lows...

We do have eight new faces to welcome to the County Ground.

Ricky Shakes - he's already had a song written about him in the office: "For goodness sake, I've got the Ricky Ricky Shakes. You shake it to the left you shake it to the right, you do the Ricky shake shake with all your might, oh baby..." He was obviously more impressive in his Reserves' outing at the end of last term than we are with our lyrics!

Charlie Comyn-Platt - a good sport who played along with our "double-barrelled" quiz beating BBC Radio Swindon's Peter Heaton-Jones 3-2 soon after his arrival in Wiltshire. He had to name players of a similar ilk, i.e. Eric Djemba-Djemba, Shaun Wright-Phillips and Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink. He's apparently the first of his kind here!

Jamie Cureton & Tony Thorpe - I link them together because their double-signing seems to have created the biggest "buzz" about the place. A return to west country roots for the former - can we call the latter the "Thorpedo" - wait for the first of many net-busting goals and it'll seem appropriate!

Jack Smith - a deal with Watford which initially involved a swap centred on SSP. Later "stand-alone", it was overshadowed by the potential strike partnership outlined above putting pen to paper at the same time. Versatile but a likely left-back for starters it seems!

Gareth Whalley - an incredible list of Crewe contemporaries when we battled with them for the second-division (now League One) championship ten years ago. Prompted the Adver's

headline of the summer "The Joy of Six" when interviewed about his many successful promotion campaigns!

Nicky Nicolau - another wide player with another tune spawned by work colleagues: "Knowing Nicky Nicolau... aha...there is nothing he can't do...knowing Nicky Nicolau...etc..." (along the lines of Abba's Knowing Me Knowing You as if you hadn't already guessed!!)

Patrick Collins - at the start of an interview with Andy King just a week ago... he was "number 14, the triallist"...he soon became a loan signing until Christmas from Sheffield Wednesday for whom he played more than 30 times en route to promotion at the Millennium Stadium last May.

Michael Pook and Kyle Lapham have also earned senior contracts after being part of the victorious 2005 Football League Youth Alliance Cup Final winning team in Burnley, live on 103.6 FM BBC Radio Swindon. We're right where the action is again now, at all levels.

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Town Ladies

with Roger Reeves MBE



The Town Ladies will once again play in the South West Combination League but will be hoping to improve on last season's ninth place.

There have been several changes in the formation of the league following promotions, relegations and re-organisation. Reading Royals won promotion to the National Premier League South and their neighbours Reading Ladies have been relegated to the Southern Regional League. The two teams relegated from the National League are both in the South East of the country so have joined the South East Combination League. This has resulted in Queens Park Rangers transferring to the South West Combination. Although Luton Town finished runners up in the Southern Regional League

behind Reading Royals Reserves, Reserves sides are unable to play in the Combination Leagues, so the Hatters have been awarded one of the vacant spots. Newquay, winners of the South West Regional League will also play at a higher level.

Cardiff City, who finished runners up last season have withdrawn their membership of the League so this has meant that Launton, who finished second from bottom, will not be relegated.

The Town Reserves finished second to Clevedon Town Reserves in the Wiltshire County League but the Somerset side do not want to take promotion so the Town will play in the South West Regional League this season. This league is one step down from the Combination League so will prove the Town with a higher standard of second string football.

The Town run girls teams from Under Eight through the various age groups to an Under Sixteen side. The Town also run two senior sides for players over the age of fourteen.

If any girls are interested in playing football please contact the club secretary John White on Swindon 824470 who will be able to give you any information that you may require.

Ladies Fixtures

Sep 4	Plymouth	H	2pm
Sep 11	Luton Town	A	2pm
Sep 18	Forest Green	H	2pm
Sep 25	Oxford City	A	2pm
Oct 2	Newquay	A	2pm
Oct 9	QPR	H	2pm
Oct 16	Launton	A	2pm
Oct 23	FA Cup 1		
Oct 30	League Cup 1		
Nov 6	Clevedon	H	2pm
Nov 13	FA Cup 2		
Nov 20	Keynsham	H	2pm
Nov 27	Chesham	A	2pm
Dec 4	Newton Abbot	H	2pm
Dec 11	Luton Town	H	2pm
Dec 19	League Cup 2		
Jan 8	Plymouth	A	2pm
Jan 15	Forest Green	A	2pm
Jan 22	Chesham	H	2pm
Jan 29	Oxford City	H	2pm
Feb 5	Newquay	H	2pm
Feb 12	QPR	A	2pm
Feb 19	Launton	H	2pm
Feb 26	Clevedon	A	2pm
Mar 5	Keynsham	A	2pm
Mar 19	Newton Abbot	A	2pm

Player Profile Michelle Rich



Michelle is 21 years old and works as a Customer Advisor for Nationwide Building Society.

She started to play football in the streets with the boys when she was about fourteen because there were no girls living in the area where she lived. Her sister told her about Swindon Town Ladies and suggested that she went along.

She started playing for the Reserves and then progressed through to the First Team. Last season, the midfielder, finished top scorer with seventeen goals.

Table 2004/05

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Reading R.	22	20	1	1	104	18	61
Cardiff	22	17	2	3	96	19	53
Chesham	22	16	2	4	75	33	50
Keynsham	22	14	1	7	83	48	43
Clevedon	22	10	3	9	46	34	33
N. Abbot	22	9	3	10	40	44	30
Plymouth	22	9	2	11	67	60	29
Oxford City	22	7	4	11	50	78	25
Swindon	22	7	2	13	49	60	23
Forest Green	22	6	3	13	47	61	21
Launton	22	3	0	18	24	130	9
Reading	22	1	2	19	30	126	5

Gunning for Glory

NEW SIGNING NICKY NICOLAU SPEAKS TO STFC
MAGAZINE ABOUT LIFE AFTER Highbury, settling into
Swindon and securing a first team place

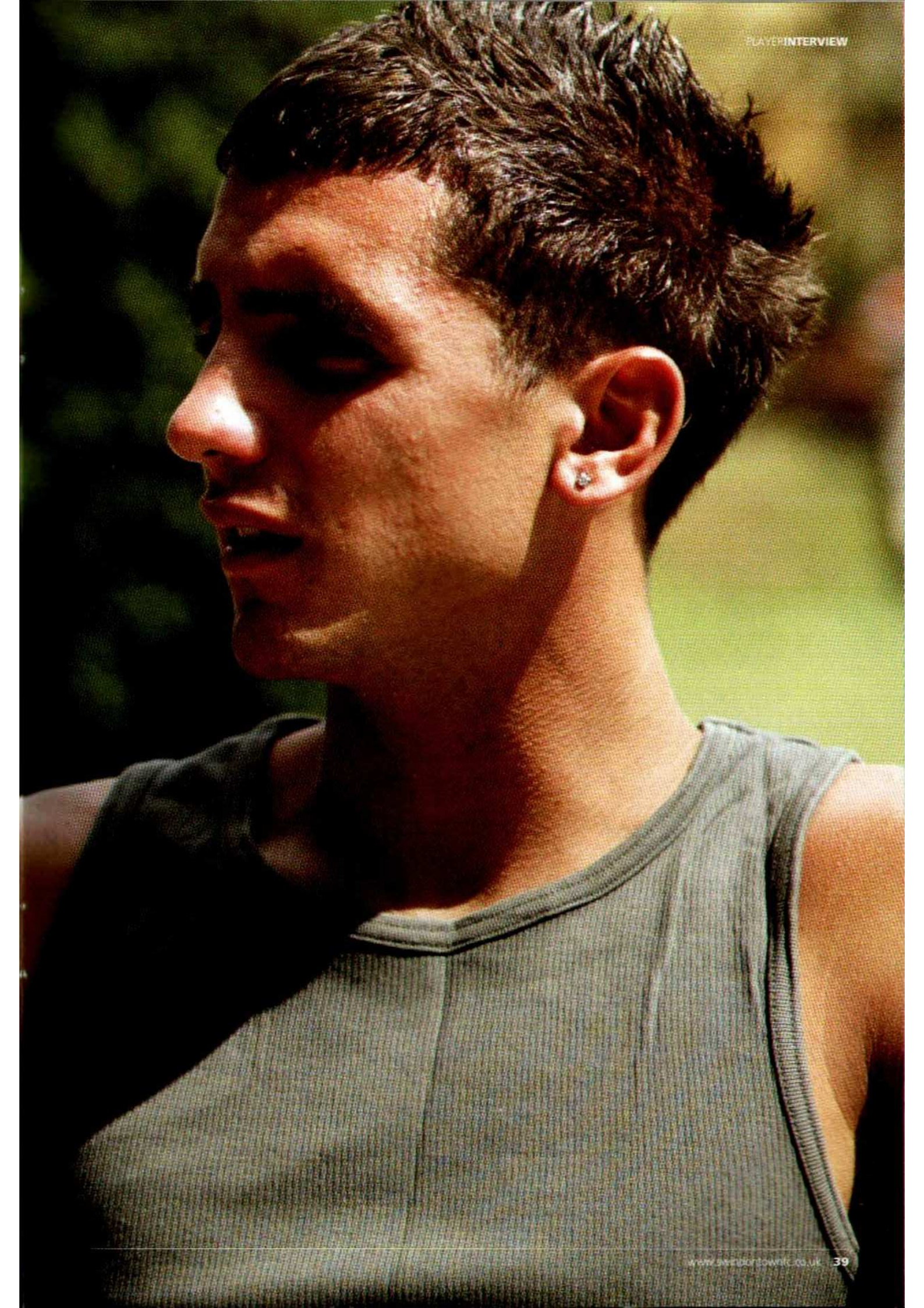
Words: Nick Judd

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When Manchester United played Sporting Lisbon in a pre-season friendly in 2003, Sir Alex Ferguson was coaxed into signing one of his sides' Portuguese opponents, such was the impact that the slight-footed right winger had made on the Red Devils' back line.

On the flight home from Portugal, club captain Roy Keane, joined by right-back Gary Neville and Ryan Giggs, urged the Scot to sign Cristiano Ronaldo immediately, they believed he was that good.

And while Nicky Nicolau's performance against the Town for Southend last season might not have been enough on its own to secure his move to SN1, it certainly wouldn't have harmed his chances as he looks to make his home debut this week in League One.



Scoring from a corner and helping his side to a 2-0 victory against Andy King's men in the LDV Vans Trophy southern section semi-final at Roots Hall, Nicolau's lively contribution on the left-hand side of Southend's midfield caught King's eye. Nicolau was in and out of the side that would later secure League One status via the play-offs, but the Camden-born cockney certainly played his part in a season that culminated in a runners' up spot in the LDV Trophy, not to mention a play-off victory against Lincoln City in the Millennium Stadium.

Now, following his free transfer move this summer, he'll be pitting his wits against his former teammates in an effort to secure his second promotion in as many seasons. "I'm not sure

concludes, suggesting that he may be in for some stick when Southend come to town in September.

The clash against his former club couldn't come earlier for young Nicky, the Camden-born defender/midfielder eager to put one over on his former team-mates as they look to settle in to their new surroundings. But with games aplenty before the Southend clash on September 10; most notably this evening's fixture with Oldham Athletic, there is more immediate work in hand for the 21-year-old.

Nicky Nicolau joins the Robins from a successful loan stint at Roots Hall. Originally joining the club on a short-term loan deal in 2003/04, where they narrowly avoided relegation, Nicolau joined for another year the following

jokes, when asked about scoring direct from a corner in the Shrimpers' 2-0 win. "Surprisingly the Gaffer hasn't mentioned it, but the 'keeper did last week, he had a little joke about it."

Nicolau went on to make 30 appearances in total, the most memorable coming in Cardiff against Lincoln, but perhaps not for the reasons you might expect. "I missed the LDV Cup final against Wrexham. I was really surprised because I'd played well in the month leading up to the game," he explains. "Then, for no reason I was left out, I was devastated. But to get the chance to make up for it in the play-off final was amazing. It was more of what I expected from the loan experience really, the year before we were fighting against relegation and were almost dragged into a really bad situation at the bottom of the table."

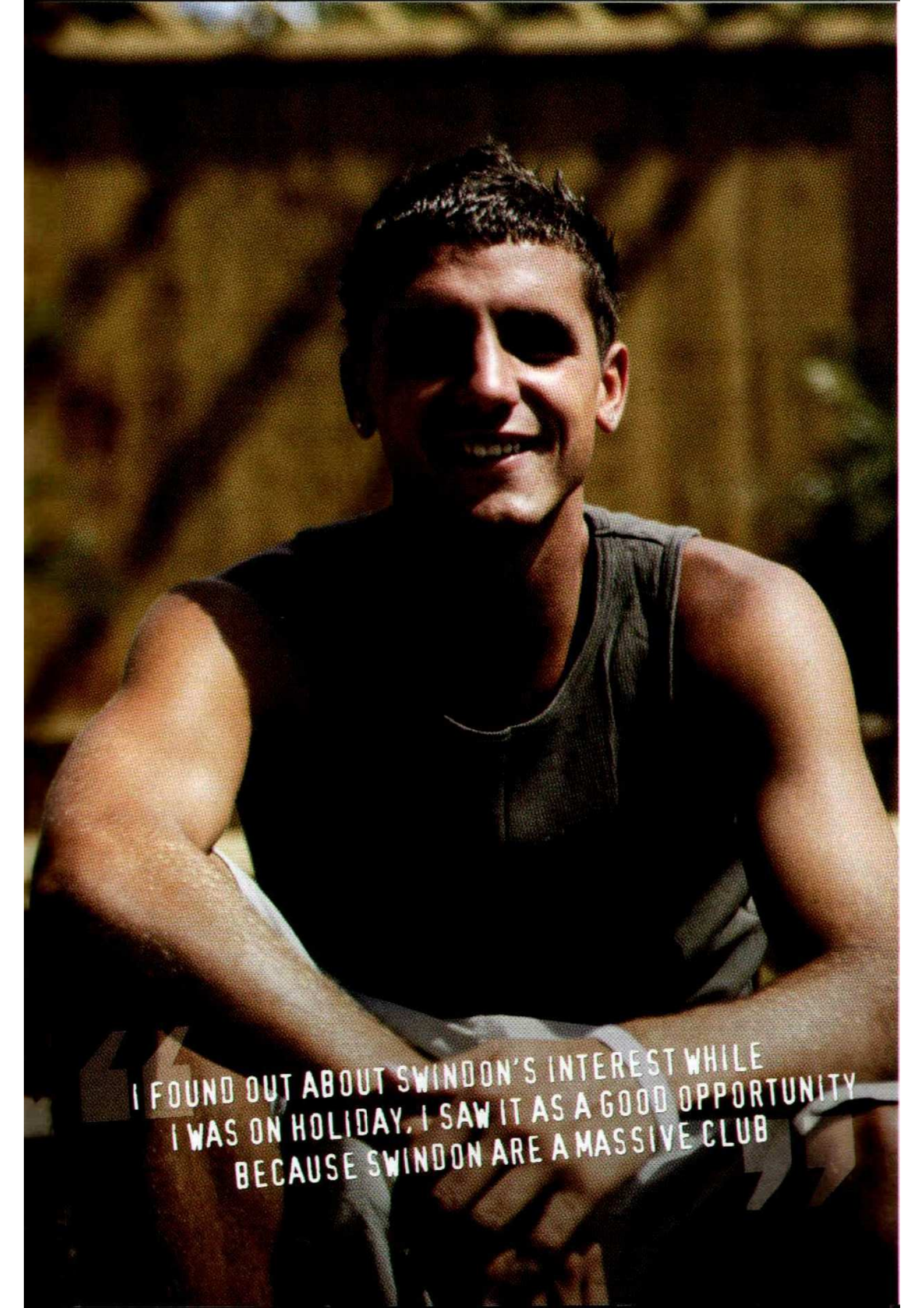
Nicolau was planning to plot his second successive promotion with the Essex-based club, but contract talks stalled in the summer and, well, the rest is history. "I found out about Swindon's interest while I was on holiday," Nicky explains. "I saw it as a good opportunity because Swindon are a massive club. It's been an enjoyable experience here so far too. I've just been trying to find my feet in the pre-season games. It was a bit strange at first, coming to a new club, but after a few days you find out that everybody's the same really. I've been staying in Ricky (Shakes) and Charlie's (Comwyn-Platt) flat, so that's been fun and it helps that they're young lads like me," adds the former Arsenal youngster.



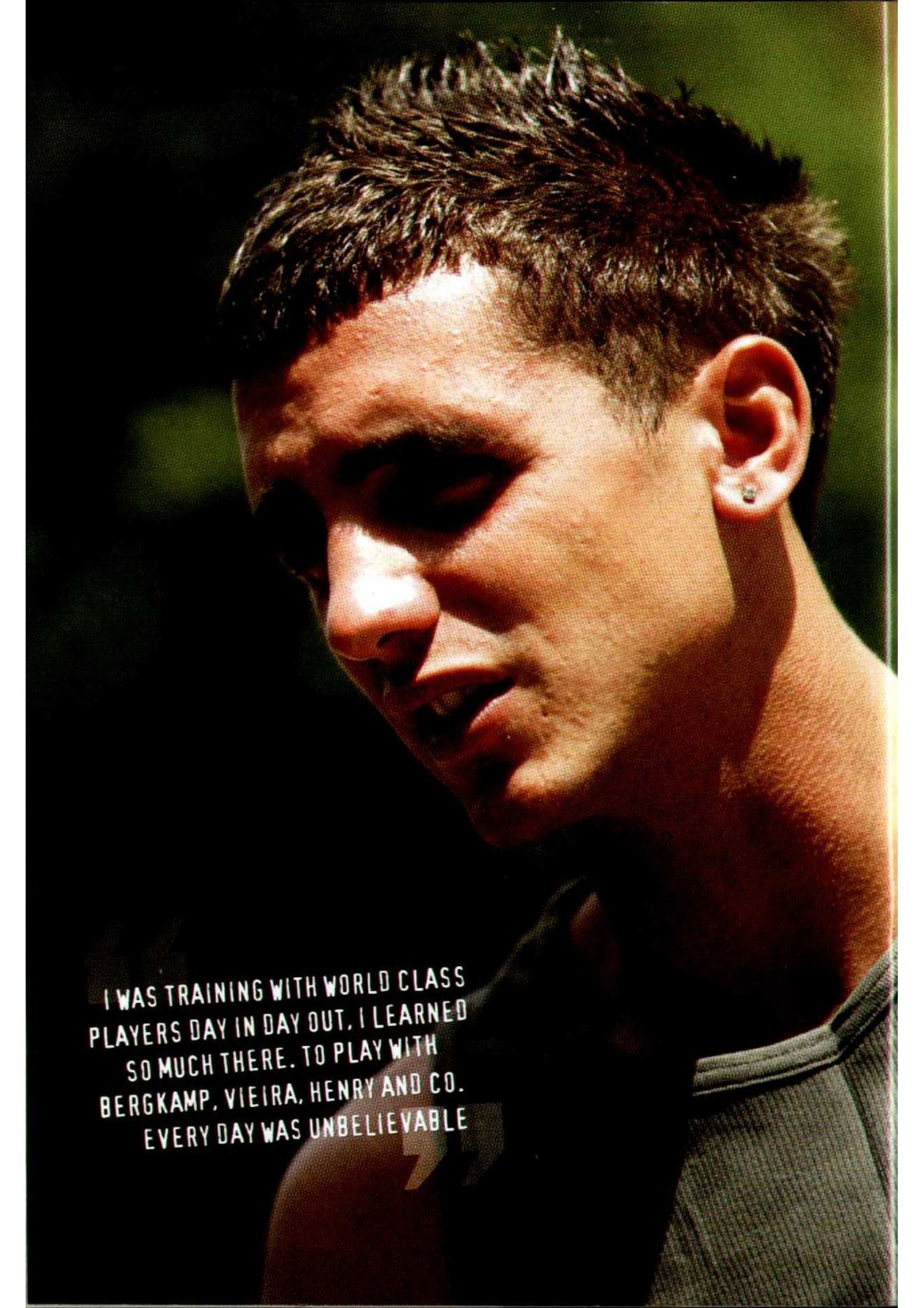
Nicky relaxes in the Bideford surroundings

how their fans will react to me," joked Nicolau, who appears to be either driving with the window open, or in a wind tunnel, such is the static coming through from his mobile phone late on this sultry Wednesday afternoon! "There was some stuff in the papers about me when I left," he

summer. Offering pace and a wicked cross from the left-hand side, Nicolau played a bit-part role last season, including a substantial part in our downfall in the LDV Vans Trophy defeat in January. "I only scored two goals all season, and one of them was one of the most bizarre of my career," he

A photograph of a man with short, dark hair, smiling broadly. He is wearing a grey, sleeveless tank top. He is sitting outdoors, with a blurred background of trees and foliage. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day. The text is overlaid at the bottom of the image in a white, sans-serif font.

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So what can fans expect from Nicolau on the pitch? In pre-season he has been figuring on the left hand side of Town's midfield, but at Arsenal and Southend he also showed that he can play at left-back too. "I'd love to come in and be involved with taking corners and set pieces, but it is going to be a step up in class for me. You only have to look at the teams in this division to see how much better it is than League Two, there are so many teams with recent experience in the Premiership. League Two was not as good in comparison, we expected to beat everyone we played last year."

Whether or not Nicolau makes it straight into King's starting line-up is a matter for the coaching staff, but whatever happens, he comes with a good football upbringing. Starting life at Arsenal, Nicolau spent nine years with the Gunners before making the switch to Southend.

"I was a late starter, I didn't play until I was 11, and that was in the Sunday league!" jokes Nicky. "After four or five months I was then scouted by Arsenal and in one trial game against Tottenham Hotspur, I did

enough to earn a two-year contract. I think it helped that we'd beaten the club's rivals! After that I joined the club, who helped with my education, and signed professional forms. I was there for nine years in total."

Unfortunately Nicolau's path to glory was blocked by the likes of Robert Pires and Ashley Cole, but he admits that he still found the Gunners' experience crucial in his own football development. "It was a different experience, to be honest," he remembers. "No disrespect to anyone here or at Southend, but I was training with world class players day in day out, I learned so much there and the facilities were amazing. To play with Bergkamp, Vieira, Henry and co. every day was unbelievable. Unfortunately now there are more and more foreign players coming in. It used to be about home-grown talent, but not anymore, which is disappointing. And as soon as players like that started turning up, we knew our paths to the first team would be blocked."

As is the case for most players disregarded by Premiership clubs, Nicolau is plotting his return to the top flight, starting with

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Swindon Town. And having experienced promotion last year, the youngster has a taste for success that he'd like to sample again. "I'd love to win automatic promotion, and if that's the way it would have to be I'd take it!" he jokes. "But we have an excellent combination of young lads and experienced players like Jenko, and it's a good mixture that I can see working well."

And so to tonight's game... Oldham Athletic could prove to be tough opposition, themselves enjoying a high turnover of players in the summer and eager to impress new manager Ronnie Moore. However, Nicolau is keen to get the first home win in the bag, with the visit of Nottingham Forest on Saturday a tough test. "Home games are important," he explains. "It'll be good to get a win or two early on to see where we are, it'll help build confidence."

And with that, the youngster signed off in preparation for his first game with his new club. Confidence like that will get him a long way, let's hope by the time his former club comes to the County Ground, he's already secured a couple of wins and is odds on to repeat last year's success.

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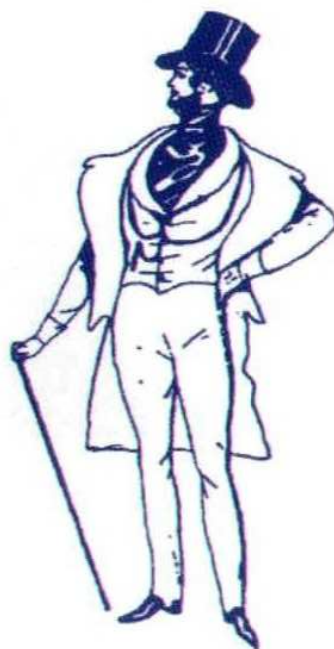
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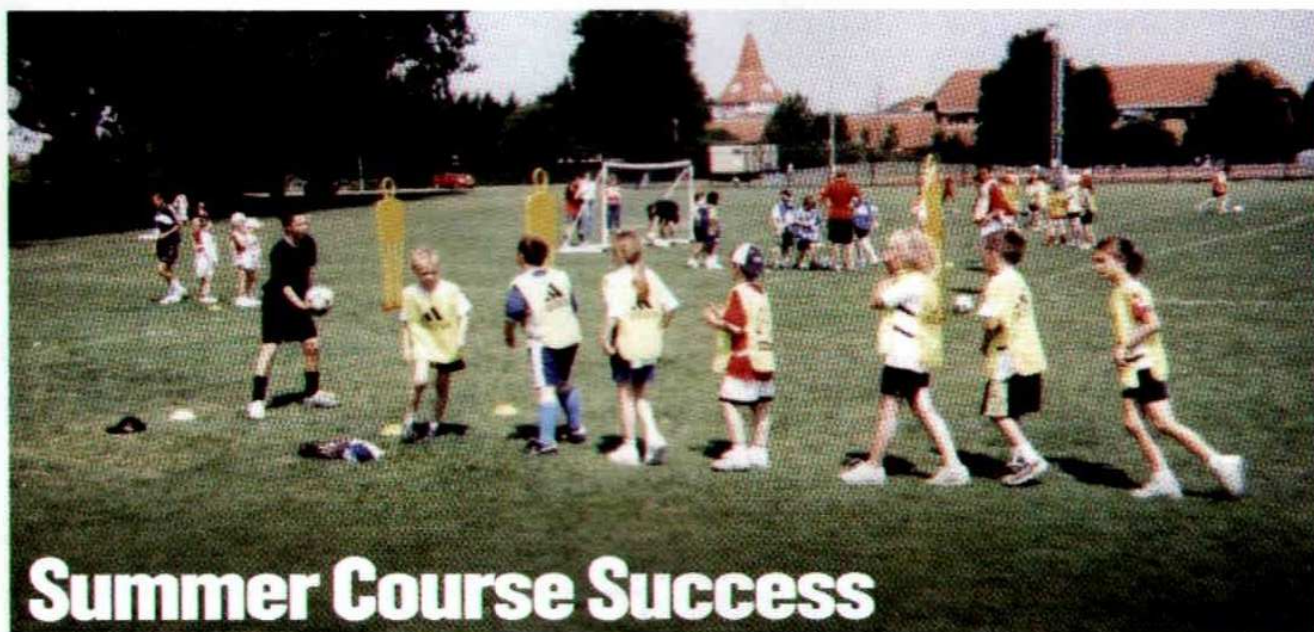
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Summer Course Success

Hello and welcome back to 2005-6 season. We hope you have all had a great summer!

Jon and I cannot believe how quick this time of the year comes around, it only seems five minutes ago that the players were going off for their summer break in May. All of us in the Swindon Town Community Office would like to wish Andy King and all the Players – new and old – the very best for this coming season. Let's hope next May we will have something to celebrate!

We are all looking forward to working with the new players off the pitch and getting them involved with the children, particularly the ones who attend our every popular soccer funweeks. We would like to say a big thank you to Matty Heywood and Sam Parkin who helped us out on numerous occasions making the courses extra special with their numerous guest appearances over their years with STFC. We would like to wish them both the very best at their new clubs.

Since we last spoke in the programme we have had a hectic summer with our Whitsun course attended by 150 plus people and again we ran our Summer Challenge with Martin Turnbull and his staff from the Study Centre. During the seven-week project we coached over 800 local youngsters here at the football club. As you can see from the photos on this page, the children learnt new skills and are seen here enjoying the summer challenge with us.

Finally, for anyone out there who would like to bring a group to our Saturday Team Club to see what goes on behind the scenes on a matchday and watch their team actively taking part in a professional coaching session, before watching the first team in League One action then give us a call on 01793 421303.

Enjoy the game,

Clive and Jon.





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Soccer Centres



Good evening and welcome to tonight's first home game of the season against Oldham Athletic.

This season our programme notes will take a slightly different format in that there will be regular contributions from Soccer Centres, Tiny Tots Football and the Ethnic Development and we will be doing our best to keep you right up to date with all of these areas.

The Community Programme at STFC is progressing well and we hope you will find this page informative and useful.

Soccer Centres

After a long year Soccer Centres broke up on July 23rd and resume on September 5th 2005. Soccer Centre numbers exceeded 670 at the end of the last course that saw a steady increase in numbers. Remember Soccer Centres are for both boys and girls of any ability.

Dorcan Tues 4-5yrs 5.00-5.45
 Fri 5-7yrs 6.00-7.00
 (This follows the 5.00-6.00 course)

Tiny Tots Roundup

There are spaces available on all of

our Tiny Tots sessions. These sessions are for children aged 3-4 years and are designed to improve their basic ball skills and coordination in a fun and enjoyable environment.

Tiny Tots Times:

Monday Croft 2.00-2.45
 Tuesday Stratton 1.15-2.00
 Wednesday Oasis 9.15-10.00
 Oasis 10.15-11.00
 Thursday Croft 9.30-10.15

Ethnic Tournament

The annual Ethnic men's and youth tournament is on Sunday 28th August at the Zurich Training Centre at Wanborough. There are limited spaces available for this tournament and please remember the closing date for team entries will be Friday 12th August so please get those entries in as soon as possible, to avoid disappointment.

From all of us we would like to wish the Players and Management team all the best for the following season.

Come on you Reds!

Shane, Sharpy and Adam.

Course Schedule

Link Centre (Swindon Borough)

Monday: 4.30-5.30 5-6yrs
 5.30-6.30 8-11yrs
 Thursday: 4.30-5.30 5 yrs
 5.30-6.30 7-8yrs

Oasis (Swindon Borough)

Monday: 5.00-6.00 8-11yrs
 Monday: 4.30-5.30 5-8yrs
 Saturday: 10.00-11.00 5-8yrs

Highworth (Swindon Borough)

Tuesday: 4.00-5.00 5-6yrs
 5.00-6.00 7-8yrs
 Thursday: 4.00-5.00 5-6yrs
 5.00-6.00 8-11yrs

Haydon Centre (Swindon Borough)

Thursday: 4.00-5.00 5-6yrs
 5.00-6.00 7-8yrs
 6.00-7.00 9-11yrs

Stratton

Monday: 3.30-4.30 6-7yrs
 4.30-5.30 9-11yrs
 Tuesday: 3.30-4.30 5-6yrs
 4.30-5.30 9-10yrs
 Wednesday: 3.30-4.30 7-8yrs
 4.30-5.30 8-9yrs
 Friday: 3.30-4.30 5-6yrs

Marlborough

Wednesday: 3.30-4.00 5-7yrs
 4.00-5.00 7-9yrs
 5.00-6.00 9-11yrs

Ridgeway

Wednesday: 5.00-6.00 5-7yrs
 6.00-7.00 8-11yrs

Bampton

Friday: 5.00-6.00 7-9yrs
 6.00-7.00 10-11yrs

Tidworth

Friday: 4.00-5.00 5-8yrs
 5.00-6.00 8-11yrs

Croft (Swindon Borough)

Saturday: 9.00-10.00 5-7yrs
 10.00-11.00 5-7yrs

Dorcan (Swindon Borough)

Tuesday: 5.00-5.45 4-5yrs
 Wednesday: 5.00-5.45 4-5yrs
 Thursday: 5.00-6.00 8-11yrs
 Friday: 6.00-7.00 5-7yrs

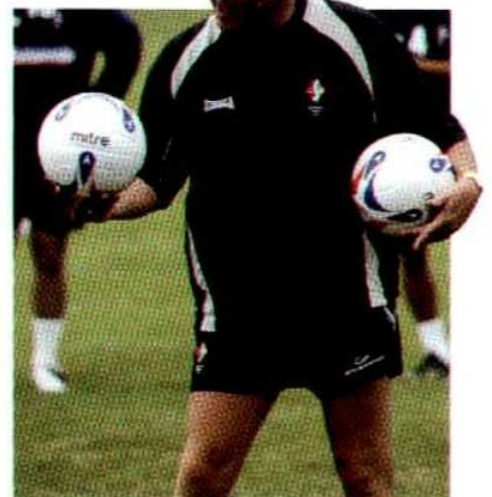
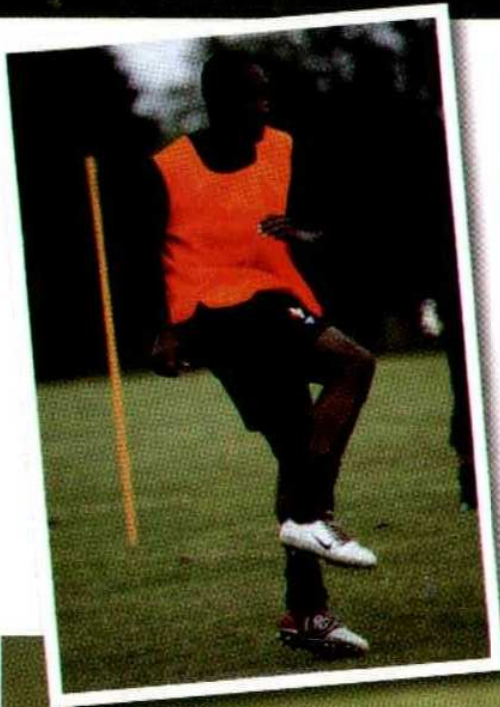
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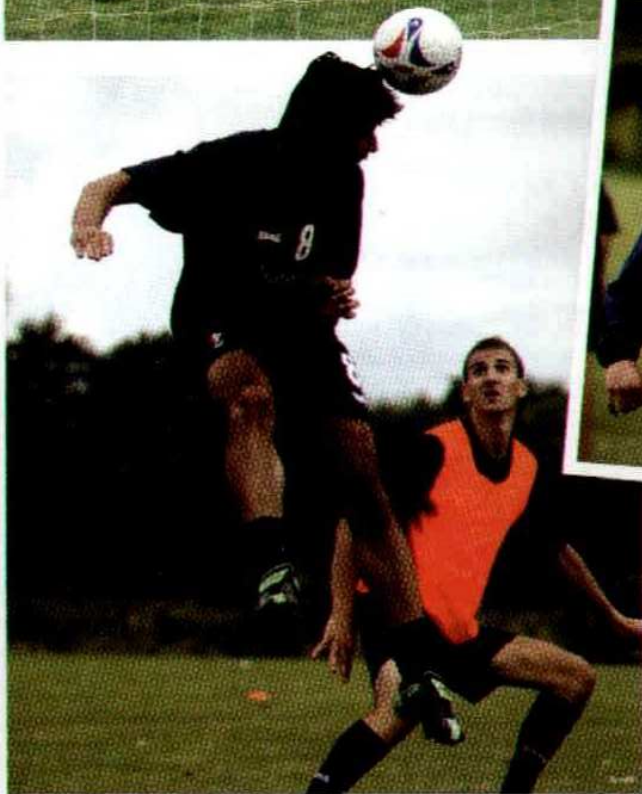
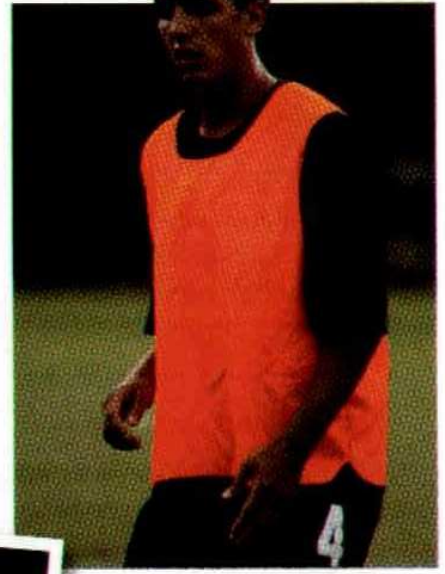
Friday: 4.30-5.30 5-8yrs



Training Gallery

Club Photographer Chris Adams takes a look at Town's pre-season training, this time a pre-match session before STFC took on Taunton Town on Thursday 21st July...





In The News



Bill Clinton becomes the 42nd President of the USA.

A Terrorist Car Bomb explodes at the World Trade Centre, New York in September '93.



Intel's first 'Pentium Processor' is unveiled.

African-American citizens of Los Angeles riot over the 'not-guilty' verdict of the Rodney King trial.

Michael Jackson is accused of child abuse by teenager Jordie Chandler.



The Canadian Olympic sprinter, Ben Johnson, is banned from athletics for life after failing a drugs test for a second time.



Town Debut in the Top Flight



Eleven years ago, Town opened the season with an away fixture in Yorkshire before entertaining Oldham at the County Ground. If that sounds familiar, the similarity with 2005/6 stops there.

Back on 18th August 1993, today's visitors were the opposition in Town's first ever home Premiership match, and a second half goal from Latic's midfielder Paul Bernard left Town without a point from the opening two games.

Town's brief excursion to the top level. Manager Glenn Hoddle departed to Chelsea en route to the England manager's chair, leaving John Gorman with the task of steadying the (Premier)ship.

Skipper Colin Calderwood left for Tottenham and £500,000 was invested in striker Jan Aage Fjortoft who was to have a torrid time trying to score the goals to win Town's first game.

It wasn't until 24th November that Town grabbed their first win at the 16th attempt. Keith Scott's second goal in two games produced a 2-1 win over QPR on his home debut,

Much has been written about



Jurassic Park

Mrs. Doubtfire

The Fugitive

The Firm



Top Films

Sleepless in Seattle

Indecent Proposal

In the Line of Fire

The Pelican Brief



and the three points gained were added to a total that had stood at just six.

Fjortoft had been dropped to the bench in December and Gorman was about to off-load the 6ft 3in Norwegian international on loan when his season suddenly came good. January 1994 was into its fourth week when 'Jan the man' scored his first in a 2-1 win over Tottenham. Then came a hat trick in the 3-1 defeat of Coventry and Town had won consecutive matches for the only time that season.

Ending the season with 13 League and cup goals, Fjortoft had turned the supporters' affections around. Defender Paul Bodin finished second top scorer on seven, including five of Town's seven successful penalties that year.

The last away match of the campaign saw Town's only victory on their travels when a 3-1 win over QPR saw Town complete their only double.

Much water has flowed under the bridge since then and some myths have been propagated. Despite what you might think, Town's 30 points is not the worst Premiership haul.

No fewer than eight teams have collected less, including

next Saturday's opponents Nottingham Forest in 1999. Sunderland scored a derisory 19 in 2003.

It is true though that no team since has conceded the 100 goals that Town completed in the last home game with a 5-0 defeat by Leeds United, but the 47 Premiership goals that Town scored was more than the 42 Oldham registered that season.

Five of the Best

Swindon Town's stay in the top flight was a short one but there were five memorable wins to celebrate during the campaign..

Town's first win in the Premiership did not arrive until the end of November with a goal from Keith Scott enough to bring John Gorman's men their first win of the season in front of 14,147 at The County Ground.



STFC went on to do the double over Queens Park Rangers with a 3-1 win at Loftus Road in April. The goalscorers that day

were Jan Aage Fjortoft, Nicky Summerbee and Shaun Taylor.

Here are the five wins during the season: QPR (H) 1-0, Southampton (H) 2-1, Tottenham (H) 2-1, Coventry (H), 3-1, QPR (A) 3-1

Words: Dave Wallis



Top Tunes

No limit

2 Unlimited

Oh Carolina

Shaggy



Young at Heart

Bluebells

All that she wants

Ace of Base

Show Me Love

Robin S



Mr Vain

Culture Beat

Boom! Shake the Room

Jazzy Jeff & The Fresh Prince

Relight my Fire

Take That ft. Lulu

Informer

Snow



Dreams

Gabrielle

On this day...

9th August 1974

Ford takes over as Nixon quits

Vice President Gerald Ford has been sworn in as the 38th president of the United States following Richard Nixon's decision to stand down.

On the Box



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Welcome Back

Welcome everyone for this first home match of the season. Those with long memories may remember that our opponents today, Oldham, were our first home match during our Premier League season. That was also a midweek fixture which came after an away game in Yorkshire on the Saturday at Bramall Lane.

The Supporters Club made more major strides last season but we are aware there is still a lot of hard work ahead but with your help we can still bring further improvements to The County Ground and even more financial help to the Football Club.

Our minimal membership fee is more than compensated by benefits you can get in and around The County Ground. So if you haven't done so already, please apply straight away. Application forms can be

downloaded from our website or collected from the away travel office. Thank you to all supporters for participating in our fund raising and our helpers who give up their own time in the cause of helping us support the football club in what ever way we can.

Don't forget to participate in the Half-Time draw, sponsored by the SAS travel (2005) or the Pounds for Points scheme, which itself raised £3000 for youth development. The Scratchcard lottery is continuing as before.

We also now have the new opportunity with the scoreboard of broadcasting birthdays, special events, or even match days good wishes etc. at matches. You can hand any request, ideally on the match prior to the date in question, to any of our half-time draw ticket sellers or the away travel office. The cost is just £10, but discounted by 50% for supporters club members.

Away Travel

Some minor changes this season, but the superb travel facility continues under the Supporters Club umbrella and will now be known as SAS travel (2005).

The away travel office also houses our programme shop where you will find Mike Skinner who does a fantastic job in keeping a fine stock of old programmes available from all over the country. These sales help our fund-raising and are a valuable source of income. Mike would welcome any programmes, no longer required by fans, whether they are from Swindon Town or not.

Information about the Supporters Club can be found on our website at www.go.to/swindontown

If you think that you could help us in any way during the coming season then our Chairman Roger Bunce will be delighted to hear from you ring him on 01865 820499.



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Gareth Whalley A-Z

AMBITION... what are your ambitions in football?
To gain promotion with Swindon Town and long-term to remain fit and healthy for as long as possible.

BEST... thing about playing for Swindon?
It is a new challenge.

CRAMPED... worst changing rooms you have ever been in?
The old ones at Crewe, I used to have to clean them out!

DRAW... can you draw a teammate?
Erm, no!

ENTERTAINMENT... best game you have ever seen?
Brazil vs Italy in 1970.

FRIDGE... generally healthy or do the family not help?
Pretty healthy I would say.

GREAT... who were your heroes as a youngster?
Brian Robson or Zico.

HAGGIS... is it a yes or a no!
I don't mind really.

INTERESTING... what are your other interests outside of football?
Golf, reading and spending time with my kids.

JOURNEY... how do you pass the time on the way home?
Just chatting with the lads.

KIT... do you prefer the home or away strip?
They are both pretty good.

LOSS... your worst experience in football?
Losing in the Play-Off final with Crewe in my first season there.

MOTOR... what car do you currently drive?
An Audi.

NAVIGATE... have you got lost on the way to the training ground yet?
Not so far.

OWNERSHIP... what is your dream car?
A Ferrari Enzo.

PROFESSIONAL... when did you sign for Swindon?
July 2005.

QUALITY... most skilful player at Town?
I would say Stef.

RESTAURANT... what's your favourite place to eat?
The Cliff Restaurant in Barbados.

STADIUM... the best you have played in?
Old Trafford, maybe because I support United!

TECHNICAL... would you like to move into Management?
Can I reserve judgement on that for a while?

UNKNOWN... which young player would you advise fans to watch out for?
David Vaughan at Crewe.

VOCATION... what would you be if you were not a footballer?
A pilot.

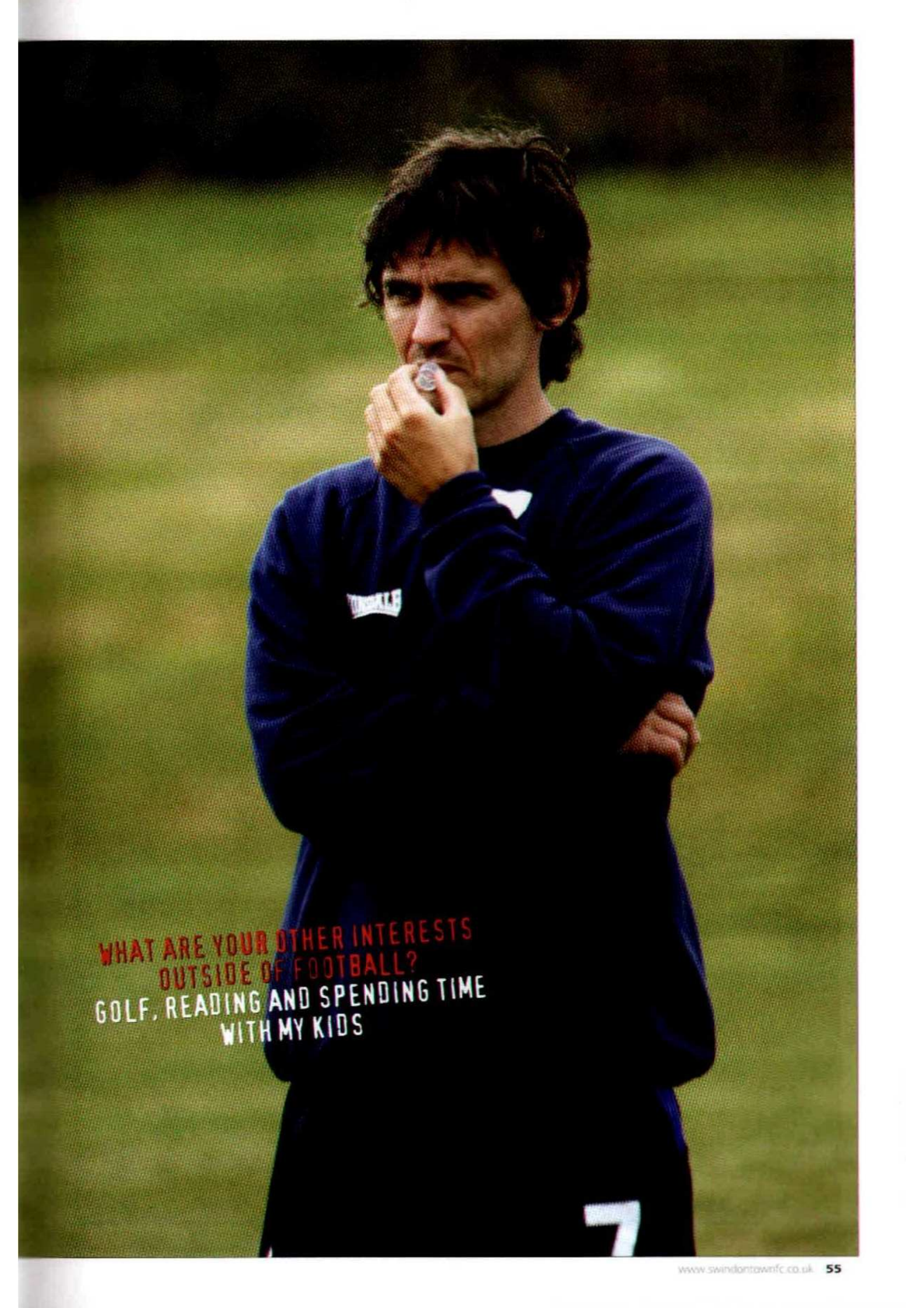
WEEKEND... how do you spend your weekends after a game?
Taking the children out and about.

X... sign here please

YELLOW... what scare's you?
Snakes.

ZEST... which aspect of the job do you most look forward to?
Training.



A man with dark, wavy hair, wearing a blue long-sleeved football kit with a white collar and a white number '7' on the bottom, stands on a grassy field. He is holding a small, round object, likely a coin, between his lips and looking thoughtfully to the side. The background is a blurred green field.

WHAT ARE YOUR OTHER INTERESTS
OUTSIDE OF FOOTBALL?
GOLF, READING AND SPENDING TIME
WITH MY KIDS

Elton John

Concert Review

Words: Isobel Field, Swindon Advertiser
Photos: Chris Tanner, STFC

From the moment Elton John strolled coolly onto the stage in a dark suit and shades and launched straight into Pinball Wizard, the audience was captivated.

Having spent more than 30 years in the business, he is a slick performer who doesn't miss a beat.

But that professionalism took nothing away from the passion in his performance.

His deep rich voice moved effortlessly from upbeat songs such as Crocodile Rock and Saturday Night's Alright (For Fighting) to the more emotional Sacrifice and Daniel.

Although it was impossible to tell what was going on behind his sunglasses, he certainly sang as if he meant it.

The most poignant performance of the night was Sorry Seems To Be The Hardest Word, which he started with a tribute to the late Ray Charles with whom he recorded the song shortly before his death.





"Even though he was so sick he sang with the same power and passion that made me fall in love with him as a kid.

"That was the last song we sang together." It was personal touches like this that made the show so special.

As well as singing lots of golden oldies Elton also performed a selection of songs from his new album.

The best of these was Electricity, a brilliant moving song from the new

Billy Elliot musical he has written which he described on stage as "the pride and joy of my life".

Elton John really knows how to work an audience - not through grand or flamboyant gestures but through the power of his voice.

Even the most sedate member of the audience would have found it difficult not to sing along.

It is difficult to tell which songs got the best audience response but I'm

Still Standing and Don't Let The Sun Go Down On Me were probably the biggest crowd pleasers.

The lights went down and Elton left the stage after Saturday Night's Alright but the audience were having none of it and shouted for more.

So he gave them just that with brilliant performances of Crocodile Rock and Your Song, which sent everyone home with smiles on their faces.



with Andrea Garratt

Welcome Back

Good evening and welcome to the first home game of the new season. It doesn't seem as though three months have passed since the Chesterfield game and things have been fairly busy on the Junior Robins front through the closed season.

New membership flyers have been designed and as this goes to press I'm currently awaiting delivery from the printers. They will then be available in the ticket office, the main reception located within the Arkells stand or by post if you contact me on the details at the bottom of the page. I'm hoping to see lots of you returning as Junior Robins this season as well as plenty of new members. There will be plenty of trips, reciprocals and competitions for you again this year. Keep your eyes on this page and the website for more details and booking information.

A new birthday card is also being designed with



the autographs of this season's squad as we had a lot of movement on the team front through the summer. There will be plenty of opportunity for you to meet the new players and ask them questions when we hold our 'meet the players' evenings. Goodie bags have been ordered and I'm awaiting delivery of the final item, when they are ready for collection a voucher will be sent to you as last year.

There will be a word search puzzle relevant to the opposition in every home programme this season. The prize for this will be a signed photo of

a player of your choice. Answers can be e-mailed to me or dropped in to reception.

Also, there is an opportunity for you to appear in the programme as a 'Random Robin'. My son Billy is featured in this issue, send in your photo and answers to the listed questions and you could be on the next Junior Robins page.

I've lots more exciting things planned for this season. Watch this space!!!

Enjoy the game.

Andrea.

TODAY'S MASCOTS



Ryan Manning

Ryan is 12-years old and is in his second year at Dorcan School. His hobbies and interests are X-Box, Playstation 2 and football. He plays for Brunel Boys Under 13's and his favourite Town player is Sean O'Hanlon.



Jordan Nash

10-year old Jordan goes to St.Peters Junior School in Marlborough. He is a Swindon Town fan and plays for Marlborough Junior FC. He enjoys playing on his Playstation 2. He also enjoys WWE and his favourite Town player is Jerel Ifil.

Contact Andrea on 01793 525619 or email andrea@swindontownfc.co.uk

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Henry Finnegan	Clayton Scott
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Daniel Prestlove	Jack Durrant
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Rebecca Fitchett	Joel Swann
Joshua Lea	Thomas Ryan
Lauren Davidge	B Batchelor
Richard Rose	Thomas Coxhead
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Carl Butler	Craig Wells
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Find the hidden words relevant to today's visitors with the exception of one, which is listed but is not in the grid. All correct entries will be put in a draw and the winner will receive an autographed photo of the Swindon player of their choice...

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RONNIE MOORE

RANDOM ROBIN

This is a new feature for a new season and we will be featuring a 'Random Robin' in every programme.

If you would like to feature in this section then just email your answers to the following questions, with a photo of yourself, to andrea@swindontownfc.co.uk

This Week:
Billy Langham
Age 9

Favourite past player?

Don Rogers

Favourite present player?

Tony Thorpe

Who do you think will be the top scorer for Swindon this season?

Jamie Cureton

What was the first game you went to?

STFC vs Notts County 2003

- Swindon won 5-0

Who is your favourite non-Swindon player?

Thierry Henry

Where do you think we'll finish this season?

6th

If you could ask any Swindon player any question, who would it be and what would you ask?

Stefani Miglioranza, what made you take up playing the guitar?

Complete this sentence in 10 words or less, I love Swindon because.....

Match days are exciting.

Send your mail to **Junior Robins**, c/o STFC, The County Ground, County Road, Swindon SN1 2ED

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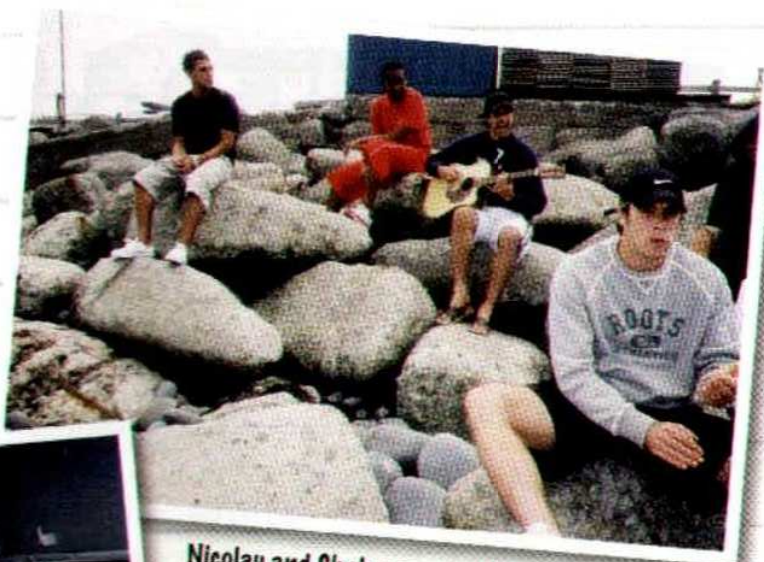
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This is a new feature for the coming season which will allow you, the fans, an insight into life as a Swindon Town player. It is a behind the scenes look at the club, its players and will offer a unique view.

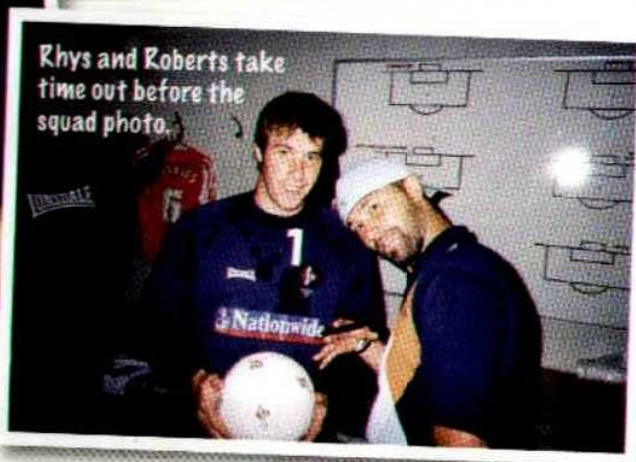
For this first edition of the new 2005-6 season, Kory Fallon went behind the lens for the pre-season tour to Bideford and Taunton and here are the result!



Nicolau and Shakes ponder the season ahead.



Stef tunes in before the start of another live performance.

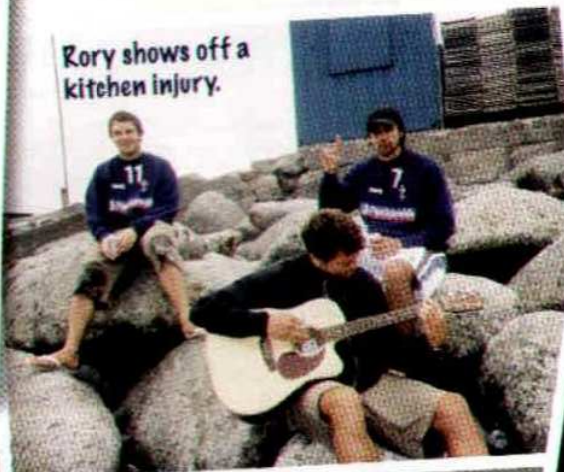


Rhys and Roberts take time out before the squad photo.



The minibus makes its way from Bideford to Taunton.

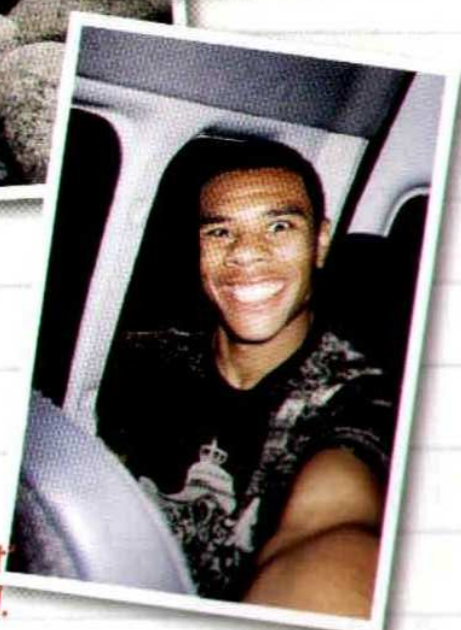
Rhys Evans soon found an ideal place to relax.



Rory shows off a kitchen injury.



Sports injuries in the kitchen? Dick Mackey shows his culinary skills at Westward Ho!



'The Beast' by Jerel Ifil.

Booking Info

Opening Hours

The Box Office is open from 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday. Matchday Saturdays from 9am to Half-Time, and Full-Time to 5:30pm. Non matchday Saturdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Midweek matches from 9:00am to 8:30pm and full-time to 10:00pm.

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Box Office



Ticket Prices	Arkells / Nationwide		Town End**		Family Enclosure***	
	Advanced	Matchday	Advanced	Matchday	Advanced	Matchday
Adult	£21.00	£23.00	£15.00	£15.00	£19.00	£19.00
O.A.P./Student	£13.00	£15.00*	£12.00	£12.00*	£12.00	£12.00*
Junior	£7.00	£9.00	£9.00	£9.00	£4.00	£4.00
Wheelchair & Helper	£10.00	£10.00	£10.00	£10.00	n/a	n/a

* Please note NO student tickets are available on matchdays.

** Please note unaccompanied Juniors are not allowed in the Town End for Health & Safety reasons.

*** Family Enclosure located at the front of the Arkells Stand, maximum 3 children per adult.

Away Tickets...

vs. **Blackpool**



Bloomfield Road
Saturday 20th August 2005
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 3pm

Ticket Prices	
Adults	£14.00
Seniors	£10.00
Juniors	£7.00
Disabled & Carer	£12.00

Town have been allocated 636 tickets for this game. On sale to Season Ticket Holders only from 1st August & available on general sale from 8th August. Please also note that the East Stand is temporary and is uncovered.

vs. **Tranmere Rovers**



Prenton Park
Monday 29th August 2005
Coca-Cola League One
Kick-Off 3pm

Ticket Prices
Prices are not yet available, please visit the website for future details.

www.swindontownfc.co.uk
www.tranmererovers.co.uk

Cup Tickets...

vs. **Wycombe**



County Ground
Tuesday 23rd August 2005
Carling Cup 1st Round
Kick-Off 7.45pm

Ticket Prices	
Adults	£14.00
Concessions	£7.00

Season Ticket holders are entitled to a **£2 discount** on production of their season ticket at the point of purchase. This offer is only applicable until 5pm on the day before the game.



NEXT HOME

vs. Nottingham Forest

Saturday 13th August 2005
Coca-Cola League One,
The County Ground, 3.00pm



There's never before been a former European Cup winning club competing at this level, but our visitors on Saturday break new ground.

Nottingham Forest are due in Swindon for our second home match in five days, and they can be expected to offer a stiff challenge as they try to win back the Championship status they lost last season.

Manager Gary Megson trimmed his squad over the summer. Five players were made available for transfer at the end of last season, including striker Marlon King who cost £950,000 from Gillingham in 2003. He moved on to Watford on a year-long loan with a view to a permanent arrangement. Fellow strikers Adam Nowland and David Johnson were also transfer listed.

Darryl Powell was released. He topped the chart as the division's worst disciplinarian last season, collecting a card every 120 minutes on average. Just as well he only played around 850 minutes of football.

It will have been some consolation to Forest supporters that self-confession Forest fan Chris Commons pledged his future to Nottingham. The 21 year-old winger turned many a head with his performances last year.

On the keeper front, Barry Roche departed to Chesterfield while 25 year-old Danish custodian Rune Pedersen was signed from AGF Aarhus after impressing in Forest's pre-season tour of Denmark. He may be needed early. First choice keeper Paul Gerrard flew home early for a knee scan after sustaining a knock.

The last time the Tricky Trees visited the County Ground was in September 1999 in Division One when a 0-0 draw resulted. That season saw Forest hold a mid table place in Division One, while Town dropped into what is now called League One.

With an average a home gate of around 23,500 last season, expectations are high that Forest's stay in League One will be a short one.



NEXT AWAY

vs. Blackpool

Saturday 20th August 2005
Coca-Cola League One,
Bloomfield Road, 3.00pm



The next away day for Swindon Town fans will no doubt come at perhaps the best time of the season.

An early season trip to Blackpool is always welcome and many fans are expected to incorporate the 90 minutes of football into a weekend away from Wiltshire.

Swindon Town and Blackpool have had some memorable duels over the past few seasons but a win at Bloomfield Road is needed to redress the overall balance.

As things stand Town's record against The Tangerines is not an enviable one with 6 wins taken from 32 encounters with the Seaside.

Last season a 69th minute Darius Henderson strike was enough to seal a point with three loanees amongst the side that day. Paul Mitchell and Mark Yeates were also on show in front of 5,229 in mid September 2004.

The home encounter saw the lead change hands several times and three points seemed to be heading in favour of Andy King's men until a late, late Peter Clarke effort sent the visitors home with a point.

Whilst Town have added eight new faces to the ranks over the summer, Blackpool Boss Colin Hendry has also made additions to his squad. Scott Vernon arrived from Oldham in a swap deal that saw Ritchie Wellens go the other way. Rory Prendergast signed up from Accrington. On the way out were Martin Bullock (Macclesfield) and Steve Boyack (Stirling).

Hopefully the summer sun will be accompanied by three points to make it a weekend to remember.



STFC2005/06

FIXTURES, STATS
& APPEARANCES

Kick-Off 3.00pm Saturdays,
7.45pm midweek unless
otherwise stated

League One Table 06.08.05



	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
1 Chesterfield	1	1	0	0	3	1	3	+2
2 Barnsley	1	1	0	0	2	0	3	+2
3 Bradford	1	1	0	0	2	0	3	+2
4 Brentford	1	1	0	0	2	0	3	+2
5 Oldham	1	1	0	0	2	0	3	+2
6 Gillingham	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	+1
7 Nottm Forest	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	+1
8 Port Vale	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	+1
9 Walsall	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	+1
10 Swansea	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	+1
11 Bournemouth	1	0	1	0	2	2	1	0
12 Milton Keynes	1	0	1	0	2	2	1	0
13 Bristol City	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
14 Doncaster	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
15 Colchester	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	-1
16 Huddersfield	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	-1
17 Rotherham	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	-1
18 Southend	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	-1
19 Tranmere	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	-1
20 Blackpool	1	0	0	1	1	3	0	-2
21 Hartlepool	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	-2
22 Scunthorpe	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	-2
23 Swindon	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	-2
24 Yeovil	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	-2

Tonight's Fixtures Tuesday 9th August 2005

Bournemouth	vs	Hartlepool
Bradford	vs	Southend
Colchester	vs	Swansea
Doncaster	vs	MK Dons
Huddersfield	vs	Bristol City
Port Vale	vs	Gillingham
Scunthorpe	vs	Barnsley
Swindon	vs	Oldham
Tranmere	vs	Blackpool
Walsall	vs	Nott'm Forest
Yeovil	vs	Rotherham
Tomorrow		Chesterfield vs Brentford

STFC Player Appearances & Goals 2005/06

	League			Cup			Total		
	aps	gls	y/r	aps	gls	y/r	aps	gls	y/r
EVANS, Rhys	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
O'HANLON, Sean	1	-	1/0	-	-	-	1	-	1/0
SMITH, Jack	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
NICOLAU, Nicky	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IFIL, Jerel	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
JENKINS, Steve	1	-	1/0	-	-	-	1	-	1/0
WHALLEY, Gareth	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
FALLON, Rory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
THORPE, Tony	1	-	1/0	-	-	-	1	-	1/0
MIGLIORANZI, Stefani	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CURETON, Jamie	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
SHAKES, Ricky	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
BULMAN, Matt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
REEVES, Alan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NICHOLAS, Andy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LAPHAM, Kyle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
COMYN-PLATT, Charlie	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ROBERTS, Christian	(1)	-	1/0	-	-	-	(1)	-	1/0
POOK, Michael	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
COLLINS, Patrick	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
WELLS, Ben	(1)	-	-	-	-	-	(1)	-	-
CATON, Andy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Date	Opponents	Res	Att	Vis	Pos	Referee
Sat Aug 6	Barnsley	A	0-2	9,358	-	23rd A.Leake
Tue Aug 9	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	H				
Sat Aug 13	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	H				
Sat Aug 20	Blackpool	A				
Tue Aug 23	WYCOMBE WANDERERS (CC1)	H				
Sat Aug 27	YEOVIL TOWN	H				
Mon Aug 29	Tranmere Rovers	A	3.00pm			
Sat Sep 3	Walsall	A	1.00pm			
Sat Sep 10	SOUTHEND UNITED	H				
Sat Sep 17	Bournemouth	A				
Wed Sep 21	(Carling Cup Round 2)					
Sat Sep 24	BRADFORD CITY	H				
Tue Sep 27	Doncaster Rovers	A				
Sat Oct 1	Milton Keynes Dons	A				
Sat Oct 8	PORT VALE	H	1.00pm			
Sat Oct 15	Brentford	A				
Sat Oct 22	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	H				
Sat Oct 29	Huddersfield Town	A				
Sat Nov 5	(FA Cup Round 1)					
Fri Nov 11	BRISTOL CITY	H	5.00pm			
Sat Nov 19	Port Vale	A				
Sat Nov 26	BARNSELY	H				
Sat Dec 3	(FA Cup Round 2)					
Tue Dec 6	Rotherham United	A				
Sat Dec 10	Oldham Athletic	A				
Sat Dec 17	BLACKPOOL	H				
Mon Dec 26	COLCHESTER UNITED	H	3.00pm			
Wed Dec 28	Chesterfield	A				
Sat Dec 31	SWANSEA CITY	H	12.30pm			
Mon Jan 2	Hartlepool United	A	3.00pm			
Sat Jan 7	WALSALL (or FAC3)	H				
Sat Jan 14	Gillingham	A				
Sat Jan 21	BOURNEMOUTH	H				
Sat Jan 28	Southend United	A				
Sat Feb 4	DONCASTER ROVERS	H				
Sat Feb 11	Bradford City	A				
Tue Feb 14	GILLINGHAM	H				
Sat Feb 18	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H				
Sat Feb 25	Nottingham Forest	A				
Sat Mar 4	TRANMERE ROVERS	H				
Sat Mar 11	Yeovil Town	A				
Sat Mar 18	Colchester United	A				
Sat Mar 25	CHESTERFIELD	H				
Sat Apr 1	Swansea City	A				
Sat Apr 8	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	H				
Sat Apr 15	MILTON KEYNES DONS	H				
Mon Apr 17	Scunthorpe United	A	3.00pm			
Sat Apr 22	BRENTFORD	H				
Sat Apr 29	Bristol City	A				
Sat May 6	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H				

1. RHYS EVANS	
2. SEAN O'HANLON	
3. JACK SMITH	
4. NICKY NICOLAU	SNU
5. JEREL IFIL	
6. STEVE JENKINS	
7. GARETH WHALLEY	
8. RORY FALLON	
9. TONY THORPE	
10. STEFANI MIGLIORANZI	
11. JAMIE CURETON	
12. RICKY SHAKES	
13. MATT BULMAN	SNU
14. ALAN REEVES	
15. ANDY NICHOLAS	SNU
16. KYLE LAPHAM	
17. CHARLIE COMYN-PLATT	
18. CHRISTIAN ROBERTS	
19. MICHAEL POOK	
20. PATRICK COLLINS	
21. BEN WELLS	
22. ANDY CATON	
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Parting Shot... 1994/95




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Swindon Town vs Oldham Athletic Saturday 8th April 1995

Captain Shaun Taylor leads the way during the home encounter with The Latics ten years ago in April 1995.

Town triumphed 3-1 that day with Shaun Taylor, Adi Viveash and Joey Beauchamp getting on the scoresheet in front of 7,488. Andy Ritchie, who is now of course Manager at Barnsley, scored the only goal for Oldham.

KEY

-  1 Number of Goals scored
-  15 Half red block & number denotes substitute appearance & player replaced
-  Full red block denotes player appearance (green denotes goalkeeper)
-  P Scored from Penalty
-  OFF Player Sent Off
-  SNU Substitute not used
-  → Through to next round of Cup
-  X Knocked out of Cup
- ITALICS* Denotes Loan player
-  + Opponents own goal

Colours
Shirt: Red
Shorts: White
Socks: Red



SWINDON TOWN

Manager: Andy King

- 1 Rhys EVANS
- 2 Sean O'HANLON
- 3 Jack SMITH
- 4 Nicky NICOLAU
- 5 Jerel IFIL
- 6 Steve JENKINS
- 7 Gareth WHALLEY
- 8 Rory FALLON
- 9 Tony THORPE
- 10 Stefani MIGLIORANZI
- 11 Jamie CURETON
- 12 Ricky SHAKES
- 13 Matty BULMAN
- 14 Alan REEVES
- 15 Andy NICHOLAS
- 16 Kyle LAPHAM
- 17 Charlie COMYN-PLATT
- 18 Christian ROBERTS
- 19 Michael POOK
- 20 Patrick COLLINS
- 21 Ben WELLS
- 22 Andy CATON



OLDHAM ATHLETIC

Manager: Ronnie Moore

- 1 Les POGLIACOMI
- 2 Terrell FORBES
- 3 Adam GRIFFIN
- 4 Mark BONNER
- 5 Will HAINING
- 6 Stefan STAM
- 7 Richard WELLENS
- 8 Mark HUGHES
- 9 Luke BECKETT
- 10 Delroy FACEY
- 11 Paul EDWARDS
- 12 Christopher KILLEN
- 13 Chris DAY
- 14 Paul WARNE
- 15 Daniel HALL
- 16 Robert SCOTT
- 17 Richard BUTCHER
- 18 Guy BRANSTON
- 19 Marc TIERNEY
- 20 Gareth OWEN
- 21 Chris PORTER
- 22 Andy LIDDELL
- 23 Chris SWAILES
- 27 Kelvin LOMAX
- 28 David EYRES

Colours
Shirt: Blue
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Up Next

Swindon Town vs.
Nott'm Forest



Saturday 13th August
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Match Odds

Swindon to win	5/4
Oldham to win	7/4
Draw	9/4

Swindon to win by 1 goal	6/1
Swindon to win by 2 or more	18/1
Score draw	11/2
Oldham to win by 1 goal	13/2
Oldham to win by 2 or more	33/1

First Scorer

Curston	11/2	Porter	7/1
Roberts	6/1	Killen	7/1
Thorpe	13/2	Warne	15/2
Holgate	15/2	Liddell	17/2
Shakes	15/2	Facey	17/2
Pook	18/1	Eyres	11/1
Miglioranzi	18/1	Edwards	18/1

Emergency Procedure

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- Assistant 1: M S Scholes
- Assistant 2: A J Perlejewski
- Fourth Official: J Farnies



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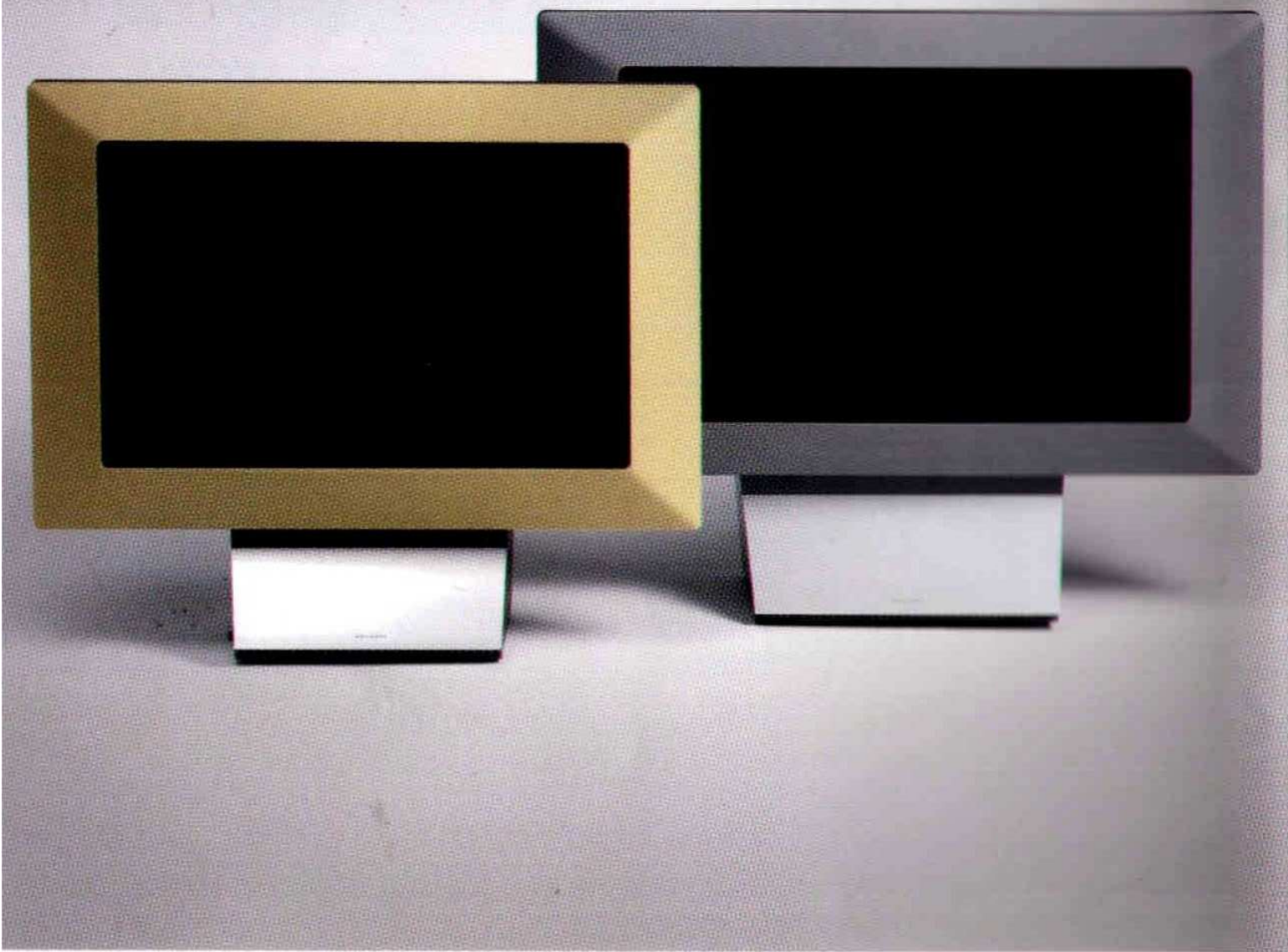
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