

Club Honours

League One Play-Offs 2003/2004

League One Play-Off Finalists 2004/2005

League Two Play-Offs 1999/2000, 2000/2001, 2001/2002

League Two Runners-Up and Promotion 2002/2003, 2006/2007

North East Team of the Year

Reserves Division One East Champions 2003/2004

Youth Alliance Champions 2002/2003

USA Dallas Cup Under 19s Champions 2003/2004

USA Dallas Cup Super Group Third Place

Durham Benevolent Bowl Winners 1936/1937

Durham Challenge Cup Winners 1956/1957, 1957/1958

Durham Orphanage Cup Winners 1923/1924, 1926/1927, 1927/1928, 1929/1930, 1930/1931

Durham Senior Cup Winners 1908/1909, 1909/1910, 1936/1937, 1937/1938, 1951/1952, 1953/1954, 1986/1987, 1987/1988

Monkwearmouth Charity Cup Winners 1973/1974

North Eastern League Challenge Cup Winners

1926/1927, 1927/1928

Northern Intermediate League 1980/1981

Sunderland Shipowners Cup Winners 1923/1924, 1932/1933

Wearside League Champions

Wearside League Cup Winners



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From the Dugout

Danny Wilson wants fans to recreate their Elland Road atmosphere here this afternoon.

Good afternoon and welcome back to The Vic for today's game with Swindon Town. I'd like to welcome our visitors here this afternoon; Paul Sturrock, his staff, directors, players and supporters.

It seems like it could be a new era for Swindon Town, particularly with the new takeover imminent which will hopefully I'm sure, from Paul Sturrock's point of view, will give extra funds to strengthen his team.

We had two cracking matches last year against a strong Swindon Town team, which ended in both teams sharing the spoils so we know today will be another stern test for us against a Swindon team that has picked up some good points so far this season.

Looking back to last Saturday at what was Hartlepool's first ever league visit to Elland Road and I think we can say that everyone, fans included, could come back with their heads held high. It was a fantastic experience for everyone concerned and very enjoyable, apart from the result.

Lots of people were saying we didn't deserve to be beaten with the manner in which we played the game and I have to echo that but at the same time, goals win games. We didn't take the chances presented to us on the day – on another day we would have run out comfortable winners. That's an area

we have to tighten up on and certainly try and build on the performance that we put in and let's hope those types of performances throughout the season can be repeated.

Again I have to say 'well done' to the fans who travelled down there, they made for a fantastic atmosphere and all the positive reports we have had back from Leeds fans and the Club are a credit to us – long may it continue.

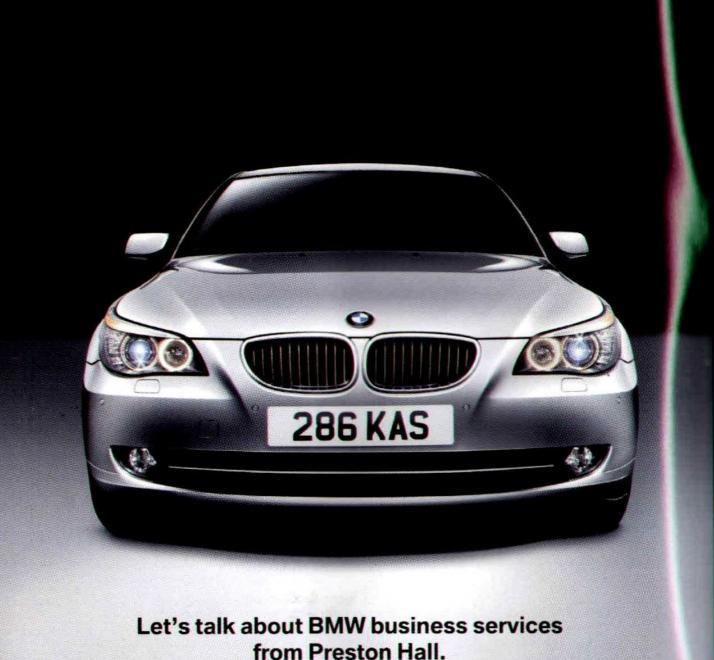
Looking forward now to today, we have another game ahead of us

and what happened last weekend is history. But if we can have the same type of support here at The Vic that we had at Elland Road then hopefully we again we will put in a great performance and get another terrific result on our home around.

Enjoy the game!

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Chris Turner

Director of Sport Chris Turner gives us his views ahead of this afternoon's game at Victoria Park.

Good afternoon and welcome back to Victoria Park. I'd like to welcome Swindon management team Paul Sturrock and Kevin Summerfield to Hartlepool.

After last season's promotion run for both Clubs and getting back in to League One, we have both started the new campaign looking like we'll both be in the battle again near the top of the table.

On leaving Elland Road last Saturday night I think everyone who was there came away disappointed in the result but overwhelmed with the performance. I personally thought it was one of the best performances by an away side that I have seen for a long time.

To have so many efforts on goal and come away not scoring was absolutely amazing and the players were a great credit, like the supporters, to Hartlepool United.

Actually playing against Leeds United at Elland Road shows how far Hartlepool United have moved in the last ten years. Nobody could ever have imagined that fixture being playing in a league game and what we need to do now is to continue on the progress trail in the future.

Over the summer months since promotion, as you will know, we have progressed off the field as much as on it. This is most notable with our project at Billingham Town where our Reserves played their first fixture on Wednesday against Barnsley.

The project came about because towards the end of last season after a successful Reserve campaign, the latter fixtures were being played on surfaces that were uneven and affecting the way we try to play football.

So, after discussions with the management team and owners IOR, we came to the conclusion that we could either return to Victoria Park or invest in Billingham Town's playing surface. This once again is another step further forward for Hartlepool United as we now have the opportunity for First Team as well as Reserves and Youth to play on an excellent pitch like we have at The Vic week in and week out.

Since my return to the Club I have personally seen a great enthusiasm from everyone connected with Hartlepool United which has been a major force in why we are where we are today. People looking from the outside at the Club unfortunately still cannot grasp the idea that we could become a Championship Football Club but as time goes by those numbers are decreasing. This was seen at Leeds last week when their Chairman Ken Bates could not speak highly enough of Hartlepool United both on the pitch and on the terraces

Our aim at the Club is not to sit back and just enjoy the progress we have made, but to ensure that we continue moving forward in the future.

Lastly, I would just like to send condolences to Ian Porterfield's family. The great north east football legend sadly passed away on Tuesday night but I have great memories of Ian when I was starting out as a professional footballer in the late 70s. He was in his twilight but he took me under his wing and ensured that all the pitfalls that young players struggle with were highlighted and he helped me enormously. I'll never forget him.

Good luck to Danny and the boys this afternoon – let's get right behind the team again.



72 Clubs. The 'Coca-Cola' Football League.



Views from the Dressing Room

The Club Captain hopes Pools can re-discover the goal-den touch at Victoria Park this afternoon.

Good afternoon and welcome to our latest League One fixture with Swindon Town here at Victoria Park.

We've had some good battles with Swindon over the last few years and I'm sure this one will be no different with both sides looking to re-establish themselves in League One.

Obviously, our opponents today came up with us from League Two last term via automatic promotion and we know that they will give us a stern test.

Like ourselves, they are looking to bounce back from a defeat as Swindon were beaten at home by Yeovil Town in front of the Sky cameras last weekend.

Meanwhile, we were being beaten in unfortunate circumstances at Elland Road in our first-ever league encounter with Leeds United.

Unfortunately I didn't get along to the game myself but from all reports it was one which we were very unlucky not to get at least a point from.

We had numerous chances in the game and the lads felt a bit aggrieved that their first visit to Elland Road was in defeat.

However, we can take great heart from the performance and hopefully we'll take the same standard in to this afternoon's game – let's hope we get the rub of the green in front of goal this time though!

Apart from the display on the field, we also excelled on the terrace at Leeds as the Club took almost 3,000 fans once again for an away game. I've said it before that the fans at Pools are

terrific but they keep on proving it – on behalt of all the lads, thank you for your ongoing support.

On a personal note, I played my first full ninety minutes of the season for the Reserves at Grimsby last week, which was a big boost for me.

I've been struggling with a knee injury but it was great to be back in action despite the fact we gave away a twogoal lead and drew the game 2-2.

Hopefully I can continue to build on my fitness and show the Manager I am ready for the call whenever he needs

Enjoy the game today and get right behind the lads from the first whistle.

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SHARP SHOOTERS

layer	Team	Lge	Cup	Ttl
ason Scotland	Swansea	3	2	5
ames Brown	Hartlepool	2	2	4
ondy Kirk	Northampton	3	1	4
resor Kandol	Leeds	4	0	4
loyd Owusu	Yeovil	2	2	4
Craig Davies	Oldham	2	2	4
dam Boyd	L Orient	3	1	4
Mark McCammon	Doncaster	0	3	3
)ean Hammond	Brighton	3	0	3

WHERE TO SEE GOALS (By Ground)

Ground	Home Team	M	Gls	G/Mt
'ictoria Park	Hartlepool	2	8	4.00
Vithdean Stadium	Brighton	3	11	3.67
lenilworth Stadium	Luton	3	10	3.33
he Memorial Stadium	Bristol Rvs	2	6	3.00
Illand Road	Leeds	3	8	2.67
riestfield Stadium	Gillingham	2	5	2.50
renton Park	Tranmere	2	5	2.50
loots Hall	Southend	3	7	2.33
he Alexandra Stadium	Crewe	3	7	2.33
lixfields Stadium	Northampton	3	7	2.33
loundary Park	Oldham	2	4	2.00
lescot Stadium	Walsall	3	6	2.00
'ale Park	Port Vale	2	4	2.00
he Den	Millwall	2	4	2.00
County Ground	Swindon	3	6	2.00
eyton Stadium	L Orient	3	6	2.00
fuish Park	Yeovil	2	3	1.50
he Galpharm Stadium	Huddersfield	2	3	1.50
City Ground	Nottm Forest	2	3	1.50
iberty Stadium	Swansea	2	3	1.50
Vhaddon Road Ground	Cheltenham	2	3	1.50
Ceepmoat Stadium	Doncaster	2	3	1.50
itness First Stadium	Bournemth	2	2	1.00
Irunton Park	Carlisle	3	3	1.00

TEAM LEADERS

eam with the most...

hots on target 45 Levton Orient, shots off target 36 Iwindon. corners 38 Doncaster, hit woodwork 4 iwansea. offsides 22 Crewe. fouls 90 Leeds. yellow ards 13 Northampton, red cards 2 Gillingham.

PLAYER POWER

layer with the most...

ihots 19 Tresor Kandol (Leeds). Shots on target 8 Vayne Gray (Leyton Orient). Shots off target 11 resor Kandol (Leeds). Assists 4 Chris Shuker Tranmere). Crosses 25 John Melligan (Leyton Orient). Iffsides 12 Luke Beckett (Huddersfield). Fouls 21 'aul Connor (Cheltenham). Free-kicks won 20 Joe samer (Carlisle).

2007/08 SEASON

In the Coca Cola

Football League

One this season

there have been

GOAL COUNTER

RIGHT FOOT 65 goals 51.2%

LEFT FOOT 27 goals

21.3% **HEADERS** 34 goals 26.8%

Own goals 1 (0.8%), Other body part 0 (0%)

QUICK-FIRE GOALS

From the start of a match Richard Lambert (Luton vs Bristol Rovers) 1:47

By a substitute after coming on Andrew Williams (Bristol Rvs vs Port Vale) 3:35

DISCIPLINARY



2.8 cards per match

0.2 cards per match

QUICK-FIRE CARDS

From the start of a match

Mark-Alain Gradel (Doncaster vs Bournemouth)3:24

By a substitute after coming on Shaun Cooper (Bournemth vs Doncaster) 4:29

RESULTS

How many times each result has occurred this season home sides score shown

608 shots on target, goals constitute 20.9% of all shots (doesn't include own goals). The woodwork has come to the rescue of the defending side on 25 occasions (the biggest beneficiaries being 1-1 Bournemouth 3). There have been 16 penalties awarded this season and of those 15 have been scored (a success rate of 93.8%). Hartlepool have been awarded most penalties -3. Oldham have given most penalties away 2. The team to score the most penalties is Hartlepool 3. Leyton Orient missed 1 penalties in the Coca Cola Football League One this season.

BEAT THE TRAFFIC

Total number of goals you would have missed by leaving every match ten minutes early

0-0 0-1 5 0-2 0-3 0-4 0-5 1-0 10 1-2 8 1-3 1-4 1-5 2-0 4 2-1 2-2 2-3 2-4 2-5 3-0 2 3-1 3-2 3-3 3-4 3-5 4-0 4-1 2 4-2 4-3 4-4 4-5 5-0 5-1 5-2 5-3 5-4 5-5

SUB TOTALS

Subs used	290
Offsides	348
Corners	
Shots Off Target	

*up to and including 09/09/200



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Views from the Chief Executive

Russ Green reflects on the Leeds United experience.

Good afternoon and welcome to today's game with our friends from Swindon. We have enjoyed many thrilling encounters with the Robins over the past few seasons and lets hope today continues in the same vain.

Last Saturday was probably one of the proudest moments of my life. The performance by our team was unbelievable and the support of the fans was second to none. To think that only four years ago Leeds United were playing Champions League Football, in fact Semi-Finalists and we totally outplayed them for the entire game. Only two clinical strikes being the difference between the two teams.

Although we both play in League One the guif between the teams off the field is enormous. The size of the city of Leeds compared to Hartlepool is colossal. The population of Leeds is in the top five cities in the country, our population is 90,000. The average gate for them this season has been 25,000 compared to our 5,000. They have sold 11,000 season

tickets and the list goes on but as a team we match them man for man on the pitch. Speaking with their Chief Executive at the game was quite interesting, one of the biggest income streams that Leeds have are on non-matchdays. The Conference and Banqueting facility bring the Club just under £5 million a year, this figure is greater than most Clubs entire turnover in the lower Leagues.

Leeds is one of the country's up and coming cities and is becoming a centre for business and finance and Leeds United have capitalised on this. We at Pools have been working tirelessly to upgrade our Conference and Banauetina facilities and are currently due to complete a new restaurant and conference room, hopefully this will stimulate our nonmatchday sales. The new facility can accommodate one hundred people for meeting/conference purposes and will serve the town of Hartlepool in a much-needed area. The restaurant will hopefully be open for the Bristol Rovers fixture so if you would like to come along

and sample the experience of Matchday hospitality in the new restaurant, call the Commercial Department and reserve your table for just £40 + vat per head.

Overall the experience last week was unforgettable but the insight into how the big Clubs operate was also enlightening and encouraging for a Club such as ours. One thing is for sure HUFC will always be managed on a sound business strategy, we are always looking to improve our own operations but by improving we will only do this if it is economically viable.

On the subject of the Hartlepool United fans, we received some very complimentary emails from Leeds United fans after the game last weekend which really do make you proud to be a Poolle!

Get behind Danny, Ian and the lads. Russ.

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MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Danny Wilson

Played 51 Won 29 Drawn 10 Lost 12 For 74 Against 46 Av Pts/game 1.90 Biggest Win(s) Peterboro 3 Hartlepool 5 (23/09/2006). Biggest Loss(es) Hartlepool 0 Shrewsbury 3 (16/09/2006).

Paul Sturrock

Played 34 Won 17 Drawn 9 Lost 8 For 40 Against 29

Av Pts/game 1.76

Biggest Win(s) Lincoln City 2 Swindon 3 (25/03/2007). Biggest Loss(es) Stockport 3 Swindon 0 (03/03/2007).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..7 | Danny Wilson2 | Paul Sturrock......3 Draws ..2 | Goals 4 | Goals 11

GAMES SINCE

a win a home win

an away win

a defeat

a home defeat

an away defeat

a score draw

a no score draw

conceding a goal

scoring a goal

conceding > 1

scoring > 1

keeping a clean sheet

failing to score

back to back wins

back to back defeats

gaining a point

losing a point

win by > one

loss by > one

Player with the most...

shots

Richard Barker 10

shots on target

Godwin Antwi 5

shots off target

Richard Barker 7

0

40

0

10

0

assists

Andy Monkhouse 2

crosses Jamie

McCunnie 9

fouls

lan Moore 9

free-kicks-won

Richard Barker 15

Warren Co.

2

0

0

4

2

15

0

7

0

12

42

Player with the most...

shots

Lee

Peacock 15

shots on target

Michael

Pook 7

shots off target

Lee

Peacock 9

assists

Sofiene

Zaaboub 2

Sofiene

Zaaboub 14

fouls Hasney Aliofree 12

free-kicks-won

Hasney Aljofree 8

SHARP SHOOTERS

Hartlepool	CCFL C	up	Tot	Swindon	CCFL	Cup	To
James Brown	2	2	4	Chris Blackburn	0	2	2
Richard Barker	3	0	3	Blair Sturrock	1	0	1
David Foley	0	3	3	Christian Roberts	1	0	1

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played18	Hartlepool wins4	Swindon wins
Draws6		Goals 24 (1.3 per game
0-0's1	Times failed to score 5	

Biggest League win at Hartlepool for each team:

02/04/2005 Hartlepool 3-0 Swindon 23/04/1983 Hartlepool 1-2 Swindon





2007/08 LEAGUE STATS



5	Position	11
5	Played	5
3	Won	1
0	Drawn	3
2	Lost	1
9	Goals For	5
6	Goals Against	5
9	Points	6



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Record	Against	Ton	Half	of	Table
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W	D	L	HANK	W	D	L	HANK
0	0	1	18	1	1	1	6
	R	ecord	Against B	ottom	Half o	f Tab	le
W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
3	0	1	1	0	2	0	21
		Re	cord When	Scori	ng Fi	rst	
W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
2	0	0	8	1	2	0	13
		Rec	ord When	Conce	ding F	First	
W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK

Match Scores

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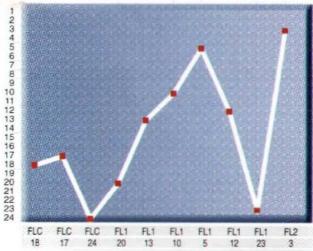
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Wins: 2-1[1], Losses: 0-1[1],

Draws: 1-1[3]

SWINDON - TEN SEASON RECORD

97/98 98/99 99/00 00/01 01/02 02/03 03/04 04/05 05/06 06/07



up to and including 09/09/2007

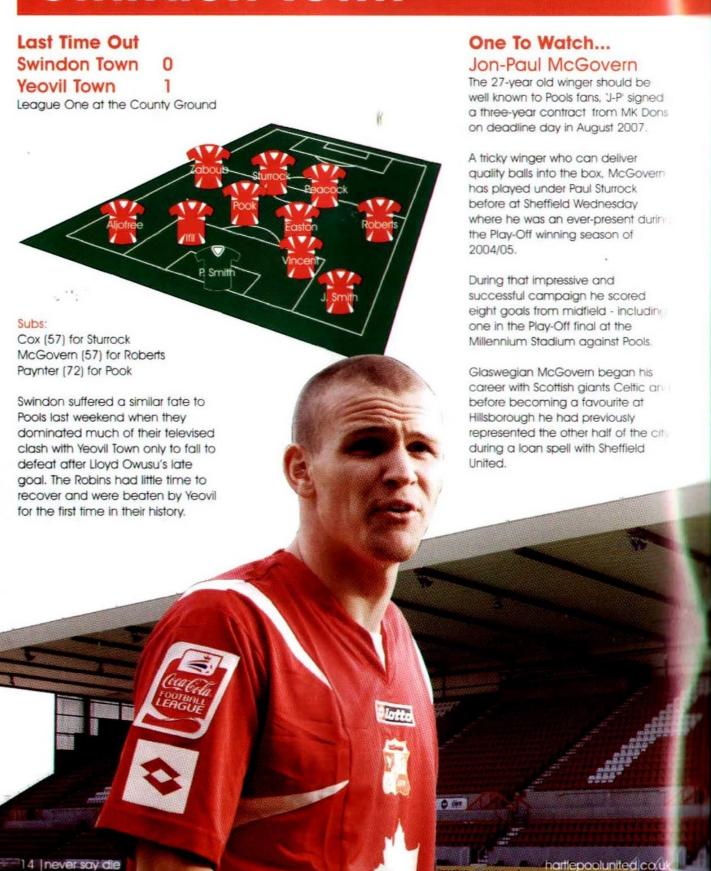


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Focus on Swindon Town





One For The Future Ben Tozer

Young defender who was thrown into First Team action at left-back, playing 90 minutes during the pre-season encounter with Bristol City. He performed admirably and has been tipped for a big future in the game.

He also played at right-back in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy win over Brentford and boss Paul Sturrock will look to slot him into his preferred position of centre-back in Reserve games sooner rather than later to gain experience.

This season he has been on

The Story So Far....

Swindon have made a solid start to the new campaign since following Pools back out of League Two at the first attempt last season.

The Robins dealt with the blow of losing Manager Dennis Wise early last year by quickly installing experienced boss Paul Sturrock and it's proved a good decision.

A win for Swindon today would move them on to nine points and level in the League One table with Pools and keep up their unbeaten away record after two draws so far on their travels.

Indeed, last weekend's defeat at home to Yeovil was their first league reverse of the new term and they'll be hoping to put that right this afternoon.

Last season they took all the points away from Victoria Park despite suffering an onslaught of Pools' pressure they'll be hoping to be celebrating a similar result today.



Danger Man Puts Pools On Red Alert

Swindon striker Lee Peacock talks to Never Say Die about his habit of hitting the net against Pools.

Over the years Lee Peacock has more than once got under the skin of Hartlepool United fans with goals against them.

He's hit the net against Pools for three different clubs and also helped heap play; off heartache on the Club on two separate occasions.

Peacock enjoyed the elation of Sheffield Wednesday's win at The Millennium Stadium in 2005, as well as Bristol City's last-gasp comeback under Danny Wilson in 2004.

And after getting on the goal trail at Pools' expense five times in twelve games it's no surprise to find him fired up again this weekend.

don't know what it is – it's just one of those weird things," says Peacock, who scored the only goal of the game when Swindon won at The Vic on the opening day of last season.

"I saw a lot of the Hartlepool lads when we were away in the summer and they're great lads. I'm good friends with Andy Monkhouse who I know from Swindon.

"I really like playing against them but do always find it a hard game. Even when I manage to nick goals and get results, it always feels like it has been against the run of play.

"It's as though we have been kind of lucky – apart from when I went there with Sheffield Wednesday and lost 3-0 when Boydy got a hat-trick!"

Pools fans need little reminding of the last Swindon visit to Victoria Park and it's a game that Peacock remembers vividly also and he insists that it was no surprise to see Danny Wilson's men come roaring back to seal promotion.

"Our goalkeeper made his full debut in the game and saved two penalties," he recalls,

"It was mad because I thought we were on the ropes for most of the game. We got a goal when I hit a header against the run of play.

"I didn't think much of it at the time but then four or five games later I looked at the table and I really couldn't believe that Hartlepool were struggling. They were the best team we played and couldn't believe their position at the time, though obviously they really kicked on after that."

Town sealed their own elevation back to League One by securing third position just behind Pools and Walsall last term.

But the Scot, who turns 31 next month, says he thinks they could have had a better start to the new campaian.

"We have not made our best start to the season, we've won one, lost one and drawn three in the league and we know we have to do a lot better," he tells Never Say Die.

"I think from the games we have played, we haven't played to our full capabilities so far. We have played OK but most of the games we have just done enough to deserve to take the three points, except against Northampton in the first game of the season.

"It is much the same as it was last time we were here really. Both Hartlepool and Swindon fell away last time around but we came back really quickly and we feel we should definitely be pushing on near the play offs, we should be gunning for them.

"That's where we want to be, with the players we have, that is our aim. We have strengthened in the right areas and made some good signings on deadline day – players who have

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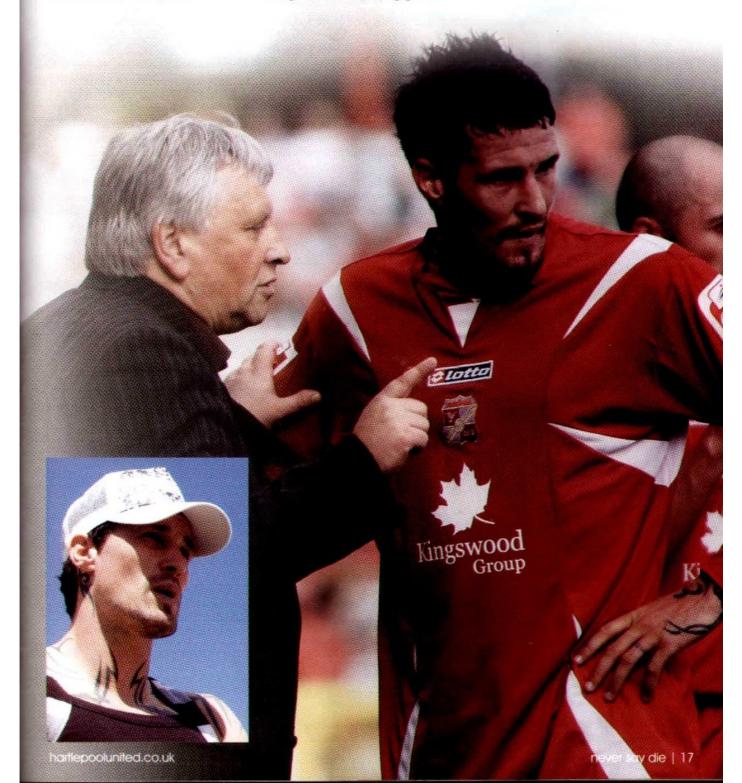
Opposition Interview

played in this league and the league above and done well. Hopefully that will see us improve more and more in the games to come."

Despite his track record, Peacock is not expecting an easy afternoon at Victoria Park and knows from firsthand experience the standards demanded by Danny Wilson. "We both finished right next to each other in the league last season and it was pretty competitive. It should be a good game, especially because both teams have improved over the summer.

"The Gaffer there knows both leagues, he got them up and he knows everything about his league. He gets the lads playing good football, like he did at Bristol City but I think the lads at Hartlepool are better equipped at getting the goals and not just playing good football.

"We've had new faces coming in here and we're really looking forward to the game – everything apart from the trip up to Hartlepool because that's always a bit of a beast!"



Pools World

We've once again been working hard in the last week to keep World subscribers right up to date with events at the Club.

Our commentary team included striker Michael Mackay for last weekend's game at Elland Road and we guided you through every step of the game from which Pools somehow managed to leave with nothing.

We followed up our live coverage of the game against Leeds United by bringing you an exclusive video interview with boss Danny Wilson who admitted he was dumbstruck by defeat at Elland Road.

"It was absolutely fantastic today – we can't play any better than that and the only thing that was missing for us was the killer touch in front of goal," Wilson commented.

Next in front of the camera was striker Richard Barker who admitted his disappointment in defeat at Leeds but insisted Pools had it in them to bounce back quickly.

"It was great that we went to Leeds in front of 27,000 people and do what we did but we came away with nothing," the front man told us.

"If the fans can help make Victoria Park an intimidating atmosphere then we can get the ball down and play and make sure we go as long as possible without losing any points."

We then moved on to get the latest news from defender Michael Nelson who was equally sure that Pools had it in their locker to come back from the Elland Road loss.

And of course we rounded off the week by getting the thoughts of the gaffer ahead of this afternoon's clash with Swindon Town.



So if you want to keep as close as possible to the action right through the season, including interviews, features, highlights and live commentary then make sure you check out Pools World.

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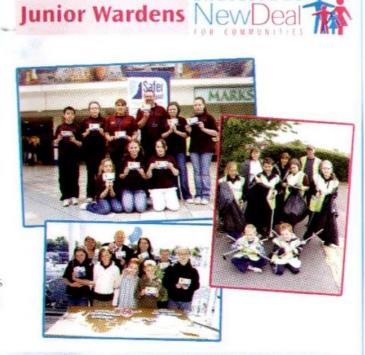
Enjoy the game, Becky.

The Junior Wardens have been working across the New Deal for Communities area to promote several important community safety messages to local residents.

They are at today's match as a thank you from NDC for all their hard work in delivering messages about walk-in burglary for their 'Lock It, Don't Lose It' initiative.

The Wardens, who are aged between 9 and 11, have spent the last twelve months visiting several locations such as supermarkets and shopping centres to tell people to lock their doors and give out crime prevention goodies.

NDC would like to thank the Junior Wardens for all the hard work that they have done in their spare time and hope that they enjoy the game!



For more information on NDC projects, please contact the Community Safety Office on 855560.

The Pools tipster is back again with some more angles on making a quick buck on the lads!

Pools have looked strong in front of their home crowd so far this season so it's no real surprise they've been installed as big favourites for this afternoon's game with Swindon Town.

You can get odds of 3/1 on Swindon becoming the first side this season to take anything away from Victoria Park this term while Pools are priced at 5/6 and the draw is a 9/4 shot.

The Robins have been doing well so far and it will be another interesting tussle at The Vic and I don't expect Pools to knock in another four goals today like they did against Oldham (not that I expected it that day if I'm honest!).

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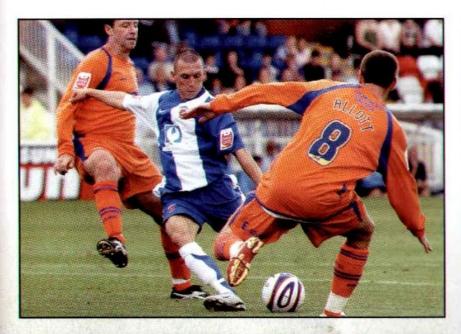




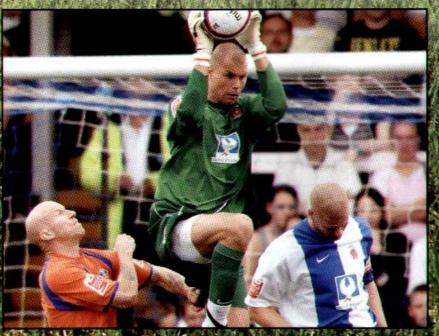
















Hartlepool United (Moore, Brown, Barker, Porter)

Doncaster Rovers 1
(Davles)

Saturday 1st September 2007 at Victoria Park

Attendance: 5,015

Star Man: Gary Liddle

The central midfielder was once again in scintillating form as he kept things ticking in



the centre of midfield. He looked comfortable in possession and never seems rushed despite opponents picking him out as a danger man. Liddle very rarely gives the ball away and his vision and accuracy in distribution surely pinpoint him as one of the most talented players in the division.

Danny's View:
"I thought we
were always in
control of the
game but also
felt we had
another gear if
necessary which



is great for us. We started very well and it was disappointing when we fell behind but great credit to the lads as they hit back immediately. It was a good result because Oldham are not a bad side and when they start to click they will pick up plenty of points this season so I'm delighted with the win and four good goals."





with Andy Rowley

Good afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen and welcome to today's game against Swindon Town.

Things at The Vic have been moving on again in the past few weeks and our new restaurant is now very close to opening. Many of you will have seen the building work going on behind the Cvril Knowles Stand and we will shortly be able to announce the official opening of the new

The restaurant is already proving popular with fans who are contacting the Club to book games well in advance and, if you are interested in sampling some of the top Matchday Hospitality we have on offer this season, then make sure you contact us here in the Commercial Department sooner rather than later to avoid disappointment.

Another big venture that we're working on at the moment is our brand new Business Directory. This is something we will be looking to launch in the new year. The directory offers local businesses the chance to advertise with the Club in a musthave guide that will be given out to Pools' fans, if you're interested in this or any of the advertising apportunities we have at The Vic this season, contact me at the Club for more details

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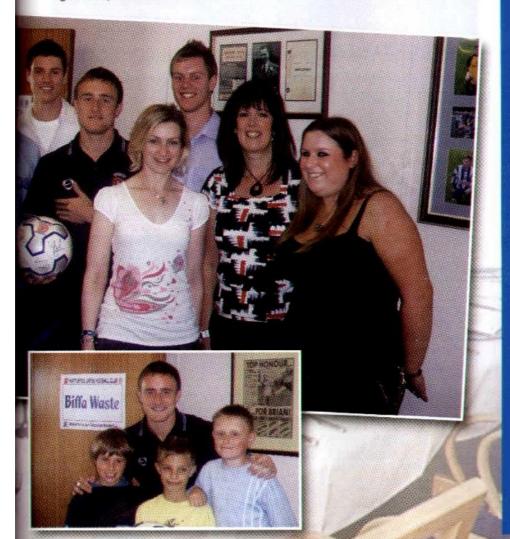
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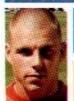
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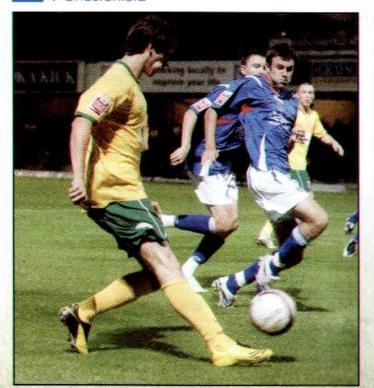
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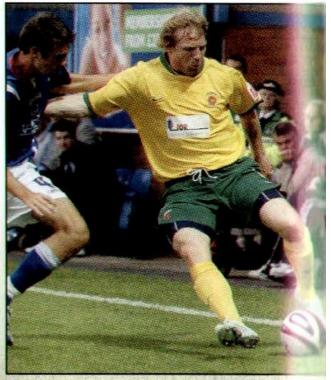
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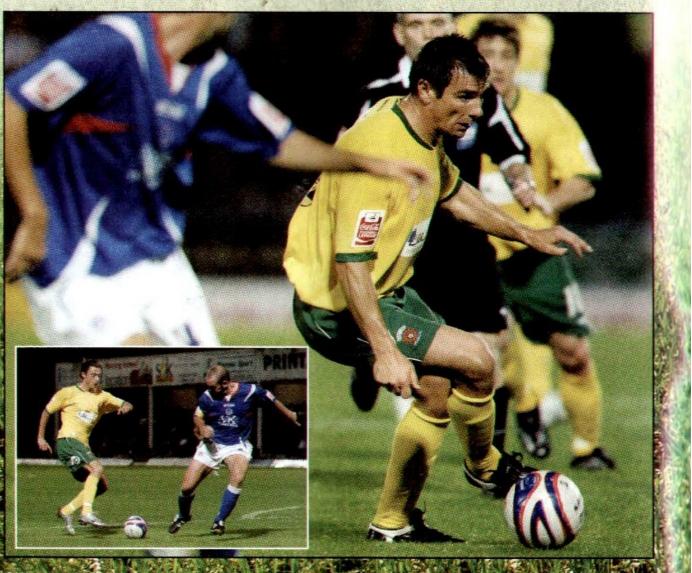


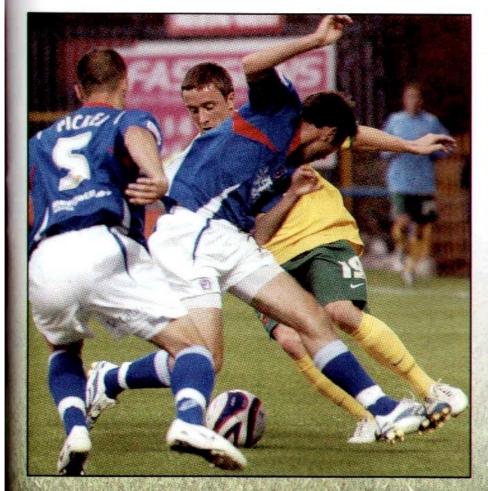
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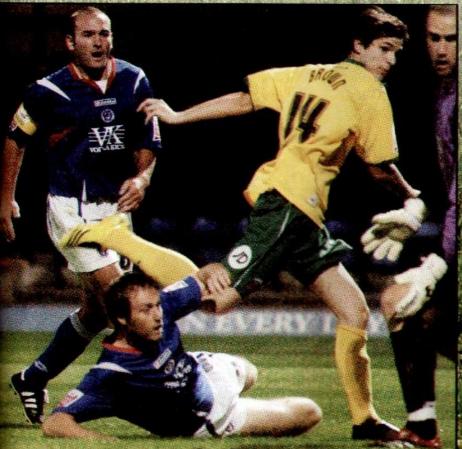
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Hartlepool United

(Foley, Brown 2)

Tuesday 4th September 2007 at Saitergate Johnstone Paints Trophy Round 1

Attendance: 2,127

Star Man: James Brown

The skilful midfielder was on-song once again as Pools breezed past Chesterfield to



book their place in Round Two of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy. The young star scored twice and was instrumental throughout a thoroughly professional performance from Pools at Saltergate. On this form, Brown is going to be a thorn in the side of many League One defences this season.

Danny's View:

"I fett we could have won by more goals and really should have. It was a solid performance for the most part but



we're disappointed to concede near the end as we'd have been very pleased with a clean sheet. James Brown took his goals very well and is looking in good form at the moment. We have to keep this going now and get a winning run going in the League."



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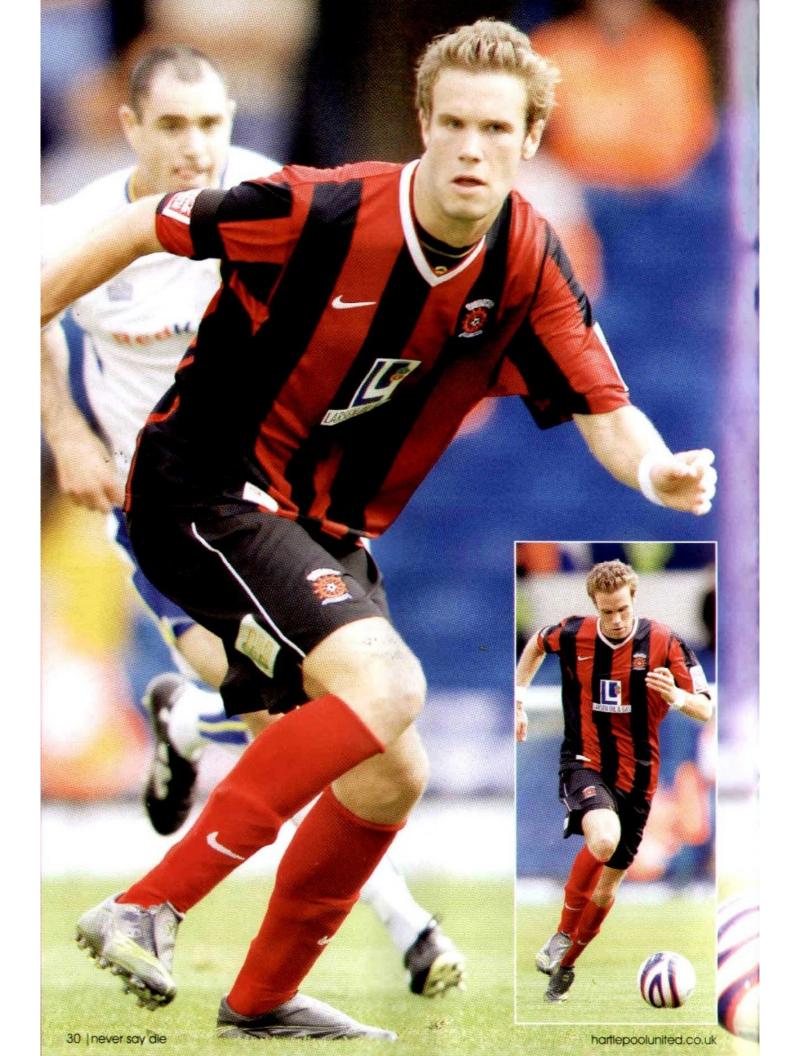
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Don't Look Back In Anger

Pools star Andy Monkhouse looks to the future after returning to the side with a bang.

Andy Monkhouse comes up against his former Club this afternoon as he looks to help Pools bounce back from defeat at Leeds United.

The left winger joined Swindon Town at the beginning of last season but was made surplus to requirements when Paul Sturrock arrived, which was when Danny Wilson made his move.

The rest, as they say, is history as Monkhouse played a major part in Pools successful bid for an instant return to League One following relegation.

Of course, Swindon too achieved that goal and it says a lot about the character at both clubs that this fixture is once again being staged in League One this term.

Last time Monkhouse came up against his former employers he scored the only goal of the game and sent Pools to a 1-0 victory and he's hoping for more of the same.

"When you play against your former team you do always want to perform but a lot has changed at the Club since I left so it is not as much of a big deal for me now," he reveals.

"I got a bit of stick when we played there last season but I kind of enjoyed it really. I am not sure how they will react to me today but hopefully we'll get the right result again.

"The Gaffer has told us that our home form is important in this league and we have started well at home and away. We have to make sure that we don't drop points at home and that's what we need to do today."

The 2-0 defeat at Elland Road seven days ago was hard to swallow for the Pools squad after registering such a fine performance but Monkhouse insists the lads will not let it affect them this afternoon.

"Sometimes you get them kind of days. I lost count of how many real chances we had, with hitting the post and cleared off the line," he says.

"But that's gone now and we have to be positive in looking ahead to Swindon Town.

"Straight after the game and then all weekend people were coming up to me saying how we deserved more but at the end of the day we did lose and we have put that behind us. Training has been very positive all week and hopefully we can beaf Swindon today."

The 26-year-old is just back from a five-game ban following his red card at Rochdale near the end of last season.

And rather than spend time working off any rustiness, he's been straight back in to the thick of the action and is enjoying his football once again.

"It was a long ban but that's gone now and I have played in the last two league games," he tells Never Say Die.

"I'm feeling good and feeling fit and it's now up to me to try and keep my place.

"If you're a professional footballer, you are paid to play football and when you can't play, whether it's through suspension, injury or you're not picked, you are a bit down.

"You train all week and look forward to the weekend and when there's nothing there, it can be difficult. But I'm through that part of the season now and hopefully I can do well and the team can do well.

"I'm quite a loud person anyway in training and I think it's important when you do come to training to leave what's going on at home and away from work behind."

Since leaving Wiltshire for the north east, Monkhouse has become a real hero with fans at Victoria Park and he says the main factor in him settling so quickly was the set-up at the Club.

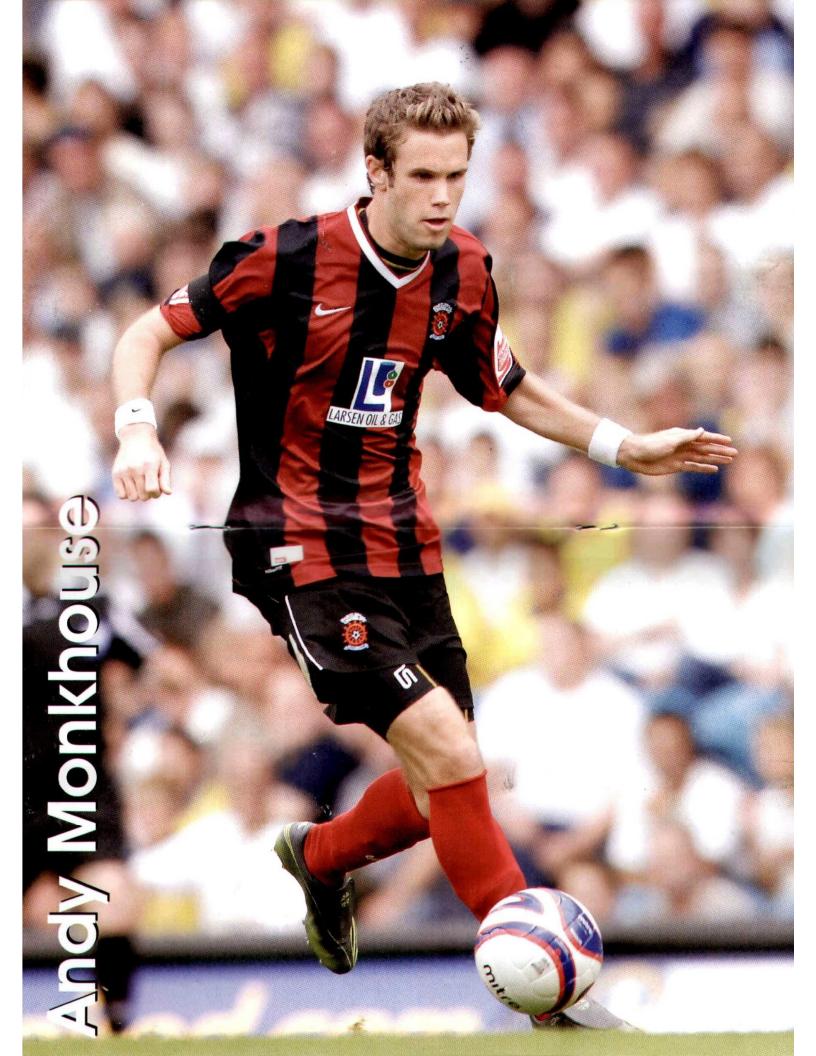
And, in Monkhouse's eyes, the happy feeling off the pitch is the driving force behind a solid start to the new campaign.

"I do owe a lot to the team and to the Management," the former Rotherham trainee explains.

"From the day I came in on loan from Swindon Town, the lads have been different class with me, so has the Manager, Butts (Ian Butterworth), the Physios and the fans as well. When you are happy off the pitch, you are happy on it.

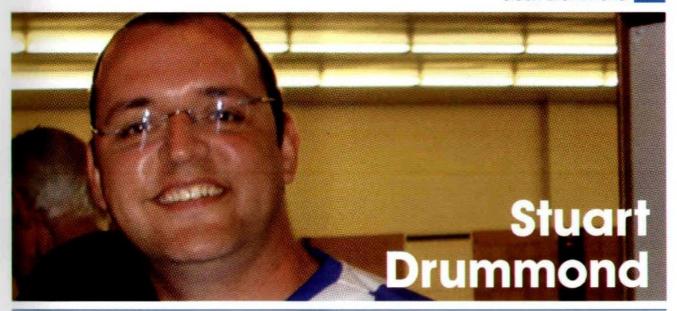
"It's early days but we have had quite a difficult start to the season with the teams we have played but we have shocked a few people who didn't think we were this good. It's up to us now to carry this level of performance on into the rest of the season."

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The Mayor's View

The Mayor gives us his thoughts as the lads prepare for the visit of Swindon Town.

A very warm welcome back to The Vic this afternoon for our match against the Robins of Swindon.

Today's opponents, who of course gained promotion alongside ourselves last season, haven't got off to a bad start, with only one defeat to show for their efforts so far. A tricky game looks on the cards, especially if Peacock and Roberts start up front for them. However, if we play like we have done in the last fortnight, three points should not be a problem.

Pools' fans will be talking about our trip to Elland Road last Saturday for many seasons to come. A fantastic turnout of 3,000 Poolies witnessed Danny Wilson's side absolutely demolish a very ordinary Leeds side, yet come away with a 2-0 defeat. It was one of those days where we could have played until midnight and still not scored. No one can be down hearted though. If we can put in performances like that regularly throughout the season, we will walk away with the league title. That is not an exaggeration, we were that good!

This feeling was pretty much backed up by the majority of Leeds fans on their internet sites. They knew that they scrapped a lucky win against a better side, none the less, well done to Leeds for eradicating the 15 points deficit they began the season with.

Now let's see if they really have the quality to challenge for promotion.

Our form on Saturday was really just a continuation of the great performances both a fortnight ago at home to Oldham followed by a win at Chesterfield in the league trophy. At times our football has been sublime during these three matches. There was actually a spell at Sattergate where we kept the ball for about five minutes, putting together at least 70 passes.

I must confess that, against Oldham, I made a very rare appearance with the prawn sandwich brigade. A few of the lads chipped in and treated ourselves to a hospitality box for the day and I must say, we had a great time. I usually prefer cheering the lads on from the terraces, however, once in a while hiring a box is a fabulous day out. The food and the service is excellent. The drinks flow freely and you get a great view of the game.

The day was made all the better for us with the lads claiming a 4-1 victory but our day turned out to be perfect. We all chipped in for the matchday lottery and the golden

goal tickets and lady luck must have been shining on box number 12 because we won them both! Our winnings ended up covering the cost of the box as well as our bar bill and even left us with a few quid in the pot. As you can imagine, the celebrations continued well on into the night.

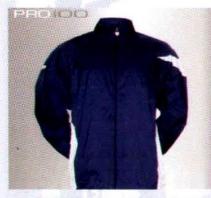
I'll be back in my usual position on the Camerons Brewery Terrace today and no doubt back to my usual near misses on the matchday lottery.

There will be no roast beef dinners and plates of cheese and the alcohol consumption will be considerably less (probably). I wouldn't have it any other way though. I still think standing on the terraces is by far the best way to watch footy and a "luxury" that I will cherish. After all, it won't be long before we are in the Premiership and forced to turn Victoria Park into an all-seater stadium.

I will definitely take a performance and a result like the one against Oldham, so let's all get right behind the lads again and cheer them on to another three points.

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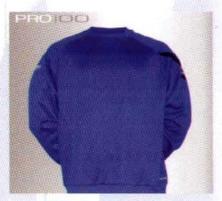
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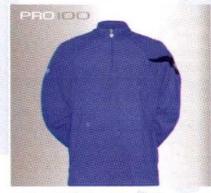
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Top Ten (2007) Robins

Kenny Allen

Thornaby-born goalkeeper Allen began his League career with Pools in 1968, and ended it twenty years later with Torquay. His spell at Swindon came in the mid-eighties sandwiched between two different spells at Plainmoor!

Don Heath

Part of the Swindon side that had beaten Arsenal in the 1969 League Cup Final at Wembley, Stocktonborn Heath came to Pools as a winger in 1973 under Len Ashurst.

Dave Cunningham

Winger Dave Cunningham was brought to the club on loan from Southend United late in the 1976/77 season with Pools battling against re-election once more. Cunningham played in 12 of the last 14 games that season as Pools failed to finish above the bottom four. Joined Swindon for the 1978-79 season.

Andy Monkhouse

Current Pools winger who joined us last season initially on-loan from Swindon, and had an instant impact featuring in eight straight wins! Danny Wilson snapped Monkhouse up in the January transfer window on a permanent deal.

Frank Talia

Australian Talia was a loanee Keeper who arrived at Pools just in time for us not to score in 13 games, sack Alan Murray and go bust! Parent club Blackburn then sold Talia to Swindon. Later in his career he played for Wolves and Wycombe Wanderers.

Kevin Pilkington

Ten loan clubs, four permanent deals, and all in fourteen years for the Luton-born custodian who had loan spells at Pools and the County Ground in the late 80s. Is this a League record?

Norman Oakley

Yet another Stockton-born goalkeeper who joined Swindon directly from The Vic in 1964 for £6000 after making over 180 appearances at Pools during the difficult early-60s years.

Stuart Elliott

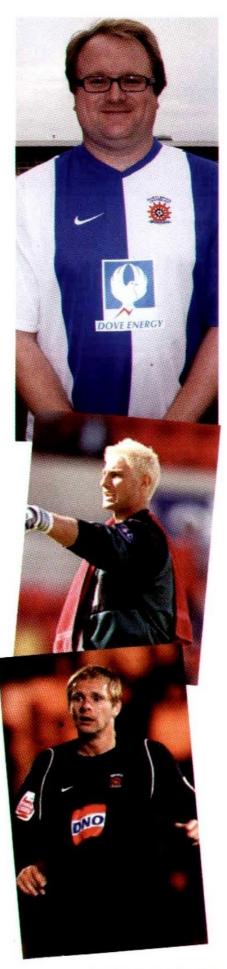
Again, another player who must surely have a shout at the League Record for loanees, as Geordie boy Stuart saw loan action at no less than seven clubs before drifting away from the League scene, including 6 games at Pools and Swindon.

Michael Proctor

Currently at Wrexham, Martin Scott brought Proctor to The Vic from Rotherham for a particularly unsuccessful spell in 2005. Previously had seen loan action at Swindon shortly before joining Pools.

Jack Rutherford

Surely the only Pools player to be born in Nenthead in Weardale, and not surprisingly another goalkeeper! Had seen action at Gillingham, West Ham and Swindon before returning to the North East in 1937.



Clashes Of The Century

As 100 years of football approaches for Hartlepool United, Phil Dunn looks back on a Classic Clash between ourselves and today's opponents.

Hartlepool United Swindon Town





League Division 4, Saturday 1st September 1984

Line Ups

HUFC: Finch. Brownlie, Robinson, Hedley, Smith, Bird, Hogan, Brown,

Mutrie, Dixon, Dobson. Subs Used: Liddle

Attendance: 1,703

The 1984-85 season was only a week old when Lou Macarl brought his Swindon side to The Vic. Pools had been hammered the week before at Stockport with Manager Billy Horner being particularly unimpressed with his defence which had leaked four goals and given away 2 penalties. Bryan Liddle was dropped from leftback and replaced with David "Spike" Robinson and new signing Les Mutrie was added to the forward line replacing Barrie Wardrobe.

Sadly, much of the pre-match talk was not about football, following a bizarre interview given to BBC1's Football Focus by new Swindon manager, Lou Macari. Now obviously Lou Macari had faced a major drop down the Leagues by taking over as Player-Manager at the County Ground, so the question of the differences between the bottom and top flights of English football was bound to crop up. "So Lou, it's Hartlepool away on Saturday". Macari's answer? "Hartlepool? Isn't that the place were they still bring the pies round on a wheelbarrow at halftime?" Oh dear.

Talk on the terraces was of a hostile reception for the former Man United big-shot, and the fact that he was to line-up as a player that day meant that he would be in the direct firinghartlepoolunited.co.uk

STFC: Endersby, Ramsay, Graham, Macari, Rowland, Bailie, Batty, Coyne, Mayes, Nelson, Barnard.

line of the Rink End. The sight of a hail of the aforementioned pies raining down at Macari is something that I will never forget. People were buving pies JUST to hoy at Macari, and coupled with a choice range of songs the little Scot had a hard afternoon, as surely he must have expected.

The game was actually a very good advert for the bottom division, with Roy Hogan cancelling out Andy Rowlands' header, only for Swindon to re-take the lead through the prolific Peter Coyne. As the game headed towards full-time, Pools new right-back John Brownlie levelled with a superb strike from the edge of the box with just 30 seconds to go, shortly after Swindon had had Chris Ramsay sent off for two bookings.

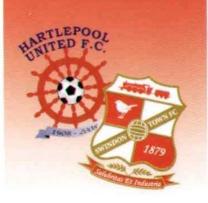
Following on from this hard-earned draw, Pools actually began to gel and propelled themselves into the top ten after a Les Mutrie goal gained a victory at Darlington, but sadly it wasn't to last and we finished a miserable 18th, with Swindon finishing in eighth place.

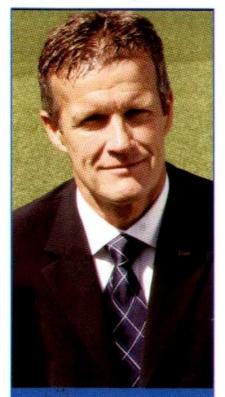
It's A Fact!

- 1) The Swindon v Hartlepool Division Four game in November 1983 made the national press, as twenty-five Policemen were employed in the County Ground away terrace to look after THREE Hartlepool fansl
- 2) At the height of Swindon's march to their League Cup Final in 1969, Pools travelled to the County Ground and found themselves facing a 19,124 crowd. The next Pools home game was watched by 2,9461
- Monkhouse scored our winning goal at Swindon last season, after playing AGAINST us for The Robins at the start of the campaign.



- 4) Port Vale fans have never QUITE forgiven Pools and Swindon for playing out a 1-1 draw in May 2004 that gave both sides the point they needed to reach the play-offs at Vale's expense!
- 5) Last season's home game with Swindon saw Pools miss two penalties, yet lose 1-0 to a Lee Peacock goal in an eventful game littered with six bookings and enough incident to last a full season.







Reserve Fixtures 2007/08

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Wed 29th Aug	Grimsby Town	2-3
Wed 12th Sept	Barnsley	2-0
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Wed 26th Sept	Sheffield Wed	
Tue 9th Oct	Darlington	
Wed 24th Oct	Lincoln City	
Wed 31st Oct	Leeds United	
Wed 14th Nov	York City	
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Wed 5th Dec	Rotherham United	
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otherwise stated		

Reserves Report

Ian Butterworth brings us the latest news from the Reserves scene.

Hartlepool United Barnsley

The Reserves picked up three points on Wednesday afternoon when we entertained Barnsley at the newly-renovated Billingham Town.

The pitch was fantastic and it's great for the players to be able to work on a surface like that at Reserve level as well as when they're in the First Team.

We scored a goal in each half to win the game 2-0. First Michael Rae headed in Craig Gott's right-wing cross and then Ben Clark crept in at the back post in the second half to seal the three points.

It was very pleasing in general because we played some inventive football and it was out first win of the season which is always nice to get under your belt.

I thought some of our attacking play was decent and the experience of whicky Barron and Ben Clark at the back enabled us to keep a clean sheet as well.

We could really have won by more goals in the end because we created some good chances and had the lion-share of possession throughout the game.

I ended up feeling a little bit sorry for David Foley because he got in to some great positions and he worked really hard but it just didn't seem to be his day in front of goal.

There were other chances that came and went and on another day 2





I am sure we could have had a few more goals but we kept a clean sheet and managed to introduce some of the younger lads as well.

This year will be a good test for the younger players because more of them will be thrown in to the fray this season so it will be interesting to see how they react.

We could have played a more senior side on Wednesday but we decided against it – some of these lads need to stand up to the challenge and hopefully they'll come through.

A few of them have got a bit of potential and we feel it's important to give them their chances and see how they handle the situation.

Any level you play at it's nice to keep a clean sheet and that was what the victory on Wednesday was based on. We haven't let too many in at First Team level and we don't want to at Reserve level.

Last season I think we had the best Reserve record defensively across all the Pontins Holidays League and at the end of the day we have to build from the back and we did that well in midweek.

Pools:

Allison, Gott, Clark, Barron (Tait), Robson, Maidens, Turnbull (Rowell), Young, Foley, Mackay, Rae (Haigh). **Subs not used:** Proudlock, Race.

For more info on the Reserves go to hartiepoolunited.co.uk and click on Team then Reserves.

All home games are in **Bold**

Youth Team

Paul Stephenson updates us on the latest Youth Team news

I was delighted with our performance against Darlington last weekend. I though we were the better side in the first half without really testing their goalkeeper and we were a little bit fortunate not to go behind when they had a sporadic period of pressure mid-way through the half.

In the second half though, we sorted our attacking shape out and got the right people on the ball in the areas where they can hurt people. After getting a late penalty in the first half, which Craig Gott put away, we added to our lead in the second half to make it 2.0.

Their goalkeeper made some very good saves and it was pleasing to see the manner in which we played. We moved things about very quickly and it was a good overall performance in which we competed very well and won all of our individual battles.

It has been a very good start to the season for us, and we have conceded only one goal in three games and that came in the 90th minute of our first match. We have been very strong at the back and have really been strong defensively right throughout the

team, I would say the only down side has been that we have not had enough chances on goal.

Overall though, it has been a great start and a strong platform for us to build on for the rest of the season. We have to keep improving and make sure that our performances are right. If results are right then that's great but more important than that is that the players keep progressing as individuals. We want them to have that understanding of their role in the team and if that happens then myself and Terry Mitchell will be very pleased.

I have also been happy to see that one or two of the Youth Team lads have been given their opportunities with the Reserve Team. Hopefully this will be a regular occurrence as playing at it gives the players chance to feel the tempo at that level and they get used to it and perform like they are capable of doing. Once again though, places in the Reserves have to be earned and nothing can be taken for granted so they have got to make sure that they continue progressing on the training ground and in Youth Team games if that opportunity is to come.

For more info on the Youth Team go to hartlepoolunited.co.uk and click on Team then Youth Team.



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COE with Terry Mitchell

CATERPILLAR

Terry Mitchell brings us the latest news from the Centre of Excellence

Hello and welcome everyone to Victoria Park for our home game against Swindon Town. Let's hope for another performance like our last home game and three more points.

Since our last game our Centre of Excellence teams have played two games against Scunthorpe and Hull City, with some mixed performances throughout the age groups.

In our first development games of the new season against Scunthorpe most of our teams reported positives from their games.

Our team performance of the day went to our Under 16's who turned in a great attacking display, hitting the net seven times with goals from Billy Blackford 3, Adam Maplesden 2, James Hall, and Chay Liddle.

Our U9's and 10's travelled to Hull City last Saturday. Our Under 9's produced the better performance; Coach Gary Boagey was quite pleased with how well the team played. The U10's turned in a below par display according to Coach Nick Green. GK James Malcolm was our top performer on the day.

On Sunday our 11's to 16's played against Hull City with the 11's, 13's, and 15's travelling away and the 12's, 14's, and 16's at home at Manor College.

All of the away teams encountered very tough games against good sides.

Our U11's were very positive in possession and Coach Stuart Dovle was happy as this is what we had worked on over the last few weeks. However our decision making and quality of passing needs to

improve. Under 13's Coach Adam Brooks said we reacted well to an early set back creating a lot of chances but failed to

Our U15's showed a good response to a below-par first half display. Coaches Tommy Conner and Ritchie Humphreys were very happy with the quality of the second half; we created a lot of good chances and should have scored more than the one we got through Jordon

The home games at Manor College were all close and well-contested games.

Our performance of the weekend went to our Under 12's, Coach Steve Cook said we produced a good all-round display against a very strong Hull City side. We played a lot of attractive football creating a lot of chances, taking two through Jonathan Barrett and Brendan Craggs.

The U14's match was very evenly matched said Coach Joel Porter. Our build up play was quite good but when we got to the final third, we need better decision making and quality of finishing.

U16's Coach Keith Nobbs said it was a closely-matched game with Adam Maplesden scoring twice for Pools However we need to defend our box better from crosses.

This Sunday, we are in action against Lincoln City with our Under 12's, 14's and 16's travelling away and our Under 13's and 15's playing at home at Manor College 11am KO

Enjoy the game and let's get behind the lads"

For more info on the Centre of Excellence go to hartlepcolunited.co.uk and look ubder Team.

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U12's

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U13's

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U14's Elliot Woods

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Study Support Centre

Pools Study Support Centre has joined forces with FITC this season.

Pools Study Support Centre and HUFC Football In The Community are working in partnership on an exciting new initiative with Year 5 and 6 pupils from Clavering Primary School.

Classes are put through their paces by the FITC coaches during an active fitness session while Study Centre staff deliver elements of the PSHE curriculum. Throughout this school year, the pupils will be covering topics such as anti-racism, anti-bullying,

citizenship and healthy living.

Next week also marks the beginning of the Playing for Success program for 8 schools.

St Cuthbert's RC, Brougham, Hart, Fens and St Aidan's Primary Schools and Manor College, Brierton and St Hild's Secondary Schools will be spending 10 weeks at the Study Support Centre this term.

In the Pools Study Support Centre hospitality box for today's game are the students who participated in our Transition Summer School. The 10 students have now started at Manor College after leaving Grange Primary School and were invited as a reward for their hard work during the summer school.

We look forward to finding out how they are settling into their new Secondary School, enjoy the game!

For more into on the Pools' Study Support Centre go to hartlepoolunited.co.uk and Click on Club.

Nell Appleyard updates us on the latest from HUDSA

Hello everyone and a warm welcome to all the players, staff and supporters that have made the long trip from Swindon to Hartlepool.

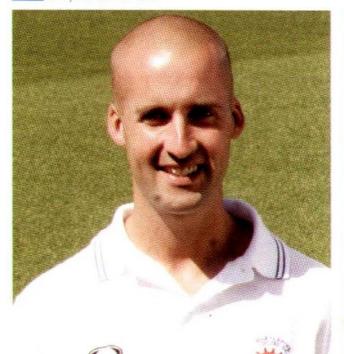
I would like to start by giving thanks to a number of people. The first is to Mr Frank Dobson who now lives in Kent but has been a keen Hartlepool supporter for many years. After receiving a copy of the Whole Lot of Poolle CD he has been very interested in HUDSA and had contacted me a number of times giving us his support in many ways. Finally I would like to thank John and Jane Kennedy for helping HUDSA to purchase our mini bus. They now live in America and have constantly been in contact with the group and have been extremely helpful to us. It is nice to see that not only have the people of Hartlepool helped us but HUDSA can be said to be global as well.

Over the last few weeks I have been mentioning a project that we are involved in that Is very exciting. I would like to give out another piece of information about this. We have now joined forces with the Hartlepool Special Olympic group and are pressing ahead with this, hopefully I can be more informative when we have further details about our proposals. What I can say is that this is one of the most exciting projects that we have worked on and hopefully it will not only be of benefit to our two groups but to the town as a whole.

Very shortly we are having a committee meeting and in the next set of notes. I will be able to give further information about forthcoming events hosted by HUDSA. I do know that our friends through at Darlington would like to have a joint venture with us at some point and we have been in active discussion about this. As I was told at the derby game it is our Centenary in 2008 and it is Darlington's 125th anniversary so it would be great if we could come up with something special for this. We will have to wait and see.

That's about all from me this week, enjoy the game. All the best, Neil.

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Fitness Report

with Dan Lewis

We have got to the end of a particularly demanding schedule of games for the First Team, with both Johnstone's Paint Trophy and Carling Cup games coming in between league games for the last three weeks, most of which have been away from home.

This has meant we have had very little need for additional endurance training with these players during this time. We have continued to work on their specific speed and agility in training sessions, and have developed their strength and power work slightly. I have been pleased with the fitness shown by the team in all the games we have played so far this season and we will be looking to build on that as the season progresses.

The players on the fringes of the squad have been the ones we have had to pay a little more attention to, to ensure they are completing enough high intensity training to ensure they are ready to come into the First Team if required.

Clearly, we have suffered a couple of injuries in recent weeks which have meant new players have been drafted into the squad and it is important for the Manager and the players to know they are ready to compete in the First Team.

Unfortunately for these players that involves them completing additional running sessions with me whilst those in the First Team are preparing for and playing games, but they realise it is an important part of their development. These players have also continued to complete the speed, agility and power sessions with the remainder of the squad.



From The Treatment Room

with James Haycock

We have had a few frustrating injuries so far this season and it seems we keep getting hit in midfield at the moment.

Willie Boland was ruled out for a while suffering from a harnstring problem, then Antony Sweeney came in only to be hit with the same type of problem.

It's just the way things can happen at times – it is unfortunate but we just try to get these lads back to full fitness as quickly as possible without rushing them too much.

Willie is progressing quite well with his injury and is responding well to the treatment. We'll keep monitoring him very closely and hopefully he's be available for selection very soon.

Antony is also doing very well in his recuperation and he is also working hard to move back in to contention for a First Team place.

Matty Robson suffered a groin injury in the early stages of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy tie at Chesterfield but after treatment is back to fitness and played for the Reserves in their midweek game with Barnsley at Billingham Town.

Michael Rae is also back in full training and has played since recovering from a sprained ankle while Micky Barron has shaken off a knee problem suffered in preseason.

For all the regular updates keep checking my column on the Official Website at harflepoolunited.co.uk



Keith Nobbs brings us the latest from Football in the Community

PRIMARY SCHOOL HALF-TIME PENALTY COMPETITION

Holders: Oakdene Football in the Community are currently looking for a sponsor for the Half Time Penalty Competition. If your company or business would like the opportunity to support the Primary School Competition, please contact me: mobile 07788 724588, office 01429 862595.

The Primary Schools Half-Time Penalty Competition starts on Saturday 29th September when Pools face Walsall here at The Vic. Twenty four local schools have entered this prestigious knockout competition. Children thoroughly onjoy the experience of competing at the Victoria Park, and provide great entertainment for the crowd. I'm sure as always fans look forward to the skill and nerve shown by the children. Fixtures and dates of the competition can be found on the FIIC page of the Official Club Website.

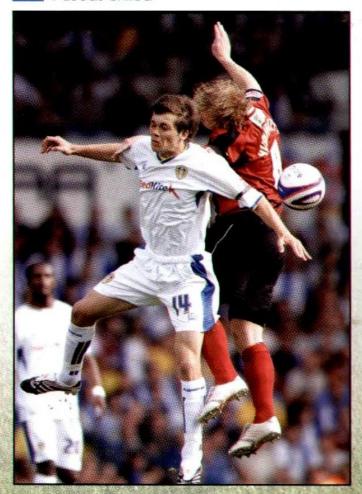
FIFA FAIR PLAY DAY

(15th to 23rd September 2007) To help promote the spirit of 'Fair Play' FITC is encouraging social values amongst local Primary school children. With football being a team sport, staff are promoting discipline, respect, team spirit and fair play in all of our activities. Hopefully this will result in children from an early age growing up with strong values and respect for each

Next week will be FIFA's eleventh 'World Fair Play Day' and it is also linking in with another celebration: the United Nations International Day of Peace on the 21st September. Hartlepool United recognises 'Fair Play' is essential to our sport and to everyone involved in it. The Club cherish and nurture the values of sporting spirit and work tirelessly to keep up the momentum and would appeal to all football fans in Hartlepool to help us celebrate FIFA Fair Play Day and the International Day of Peace successfully.

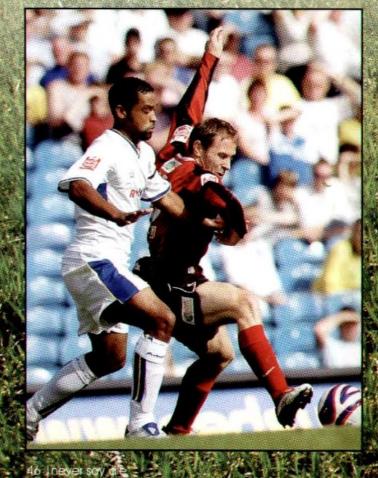
For more information on Football in the Community, go to hartlepoolunited.co.uk, click on 'Club' and then 'FITC'























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Leeds United (Kandol, Beckford) Hartlepool United

Saturday 8th September 2007 at Elland Road Coca-Cola League One Attendance: 26,877

Star Man:
Gary Liddle
The Pools star was
once again in
superb form in
the centre of
midfield against
Leeds. His calm



approach to the game – even in front of the large crowd - made for excellent viewing as he kept things ticking in the middle of the park. Every move forward seemed to come through the former Middlesbrough man and he's fast becoming one of the most consistent players in League One.

Danny's View
I was dumbstruck
at times about
how we didn't
score a goal this
afternoon. The
lads can't play
any better that



that – I hope they can but I don't think so as they were terrific. What pleased me was that the players were not overawed by the occasion here; in fact I think they savoured it. The fans we brought here today were also fantastic – they drove us on in the second half once again.

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No Ifs And No Butts!

Ian Butterworth returns with another selection of teasers - will Ben Clark come out on top in his battle with latest fan entrant Ann Carey? Let's find out...

- 1. Name two of Richard Barker's last three clubs.
- 2. Which England legend's statue stands outside Wembley Stadium?
- 3. Name the clubs that Danny Wilson managed before Hartlepool United.
- 4. What were both scores when Pools faced Darlington in the Play Offs in 1999/2000?
- 5. What is Marco Gabbiadini's profession now? Is he

A Hotelier

A Travel Agent

A Football Agent

- 6. Italian Centre Forward Luca Toni plays for which German Bundesliga Club?
- 7. One of Bristol Rovers' nicknames is The Pirates, what is the other one?

8. In which decade did Liverpool win their first European title?

1950s

1960s

1970s

1980s

Ben Clark's Answers

- 1 Mansfield, Rotherham
- 2 Bobby Moore
- 3 Bristol City, Sheffield Wednesday, Barnsley, MK Dons

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- 5 Hotelier
- 6 Bayern Munich
- 7 The Gasheads
- 8 1960s

Ann Carey's Answers

- Mansfield, Macclesfield.
- 2 Bobby Moore

- 4 Pools 0 Darlington 2, Darlington 1 Pools 0
- 5 Hotelier

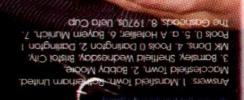
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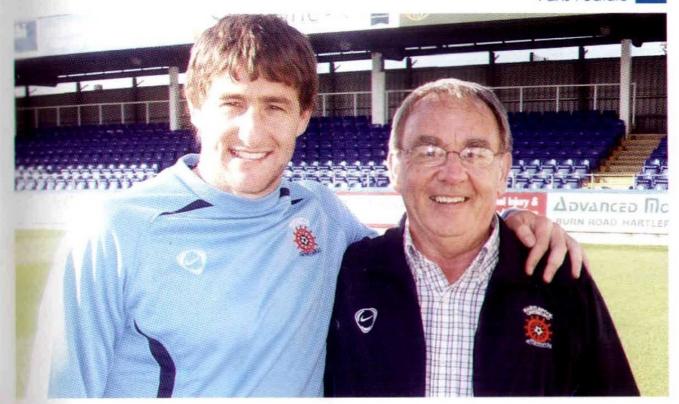
Table so far **Players** Fans

Well, there's no stopping the players at the moment is there? Ben's win means the fans have got some work to do! if you think you're up to the challenge then send us a photo and a contact telephone number to media@hartlepoolunited.co.uk

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Living In A Land Down Under

One of Pools' long-distance supporters was in for a bit of a shock this week when he popped into The Vic on a rare trip back to England.

Alan Webb, who now lives in Australia and has done for over 30 years, is still a keen follower of the Club and when his niece found out he was coming to visit, she contacted us here at The Vic to see if we could help out.

So, when Alan arrived at the ground, we had Pools' Aussie striker Joel Porter waiting here to meet him.

"I wondered what was going on," Mr Webb told Never Say Die.

"It was a bit of a surprise but definitely a good one. I have seen Perth Glory play quite a few times, and there are only eight teams in their Premier League so I've seen Joel's old team Adelaide play. Though the games over there a bit different, it's usually at loast 35 degrees."

Alan reveals that he made the move to Australia many years ago with his wife and has now found his own matchday routine,

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"We emigrated over to Australia in 1970 for various reasons, including the weather obviously and since then I've continued to follow Pools as much as possible.

"On a Sunday morning, I get up and put on my Pools shirt and go to check on Pools' latest result. If it's been a good result, the shirt stays on for the week and if not, I take it off ready for next week.

"And it was a very good season last year so I spent many Sunday mornings celebrating! Kick off is very late at night in Australia and at my age I can't be sitting up listening to it but I check the scores as soon as I can."

When looking back over his many years supporting Pools, Alan reveals his biggest memory came in 1957 when Manchester United visited The Vic.

"The big highlight for me was when we played Manchester United - that was big. There were about 18,000 fans in the ground and it was an unbelievable game. We were losing 3-0 after about twenty minutes but

we'd drawn level by the second half, with Kenny Johnson getting one of the goals and we were going daft in the crowd.

"But Duncan Edwards scored from just over the half way line into the roof of the net."

And he's now looking forward to another big season following Pools starting with this afternoon's game with Swindon Town,

"I think they'll be in the top four this season, no doubt about it. After that performance on Saturday, you can tell by how they played that if they come up against a weaker team, they'll definitely beat them.

"I'm looking forward to seeing a game at Victoria Park on Saturday and I predict a 3-1 win for Pools."

Some Poolies may well recognise Alan as he was a member of The Ravons, a local band who played such venues as The Cosmopolitan and The Touchdown before travelling the country with his band.

Come on Poolies!!! Come on Poolies!!! Come on Poolies!!! Come on Poolies!!!

Good afternoon Junior Poolies and welcome back to The Vic for today's game against Swindon Town!

Get behind the lads this today, they need your support!

Come on Poolies!!! Come on Poolies!!! Come on Poolies!!! Come on Poolies!!!

Remember, you can visit Junior Poolies on the web- visit hartlepodlunited.co.uk, click on 'Fans' and then 'Junior Poolies'.

We want you to send in any photos of your holidays wearing your Pools colours for the programme and Official Website. E-mail-juniorpoolies@hartlepoolunited.co.uk or mail them to Junior Poolies with a short description.

Match Reports.

If you write your own match report for any Pools games this season we will print them in the Programme and display them on the Club Website! Include goals and anything that you noticed during your visit to Victoria Park...were the pies nice at half-time, was your favourite player playing??! etc.

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Competition Time

(check out the Prize-winning Junior Poolie for July!! And try your luck for August!!)

July Prize give-away

The winner of the month's competition for a HUFC signed ball is...THOMAS ARMSTRONG. Thomas is 5 years-old and attends Holy Trinity Primary School. His favourite player is Ritchie Humphreys. Congratulations Thomas!!

Q. Who scored Pools goal against Newcastle in the friendly at Victoria Park???

A. James Brown

Well done to all that answered correctly!!
Why not try your luck at this month's question??

Why not try your luck at this month's question? September Prize give-away.

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Q. Who played in goal for Pools in the 2-0 win at Port Vale this season??

Many Thanks, H'Angus.

Pools Anagrams

Can you un-jumble the letters below to reveal 5 Pools Players?

- 1. ANJ DUBZT
- 2. DOGWIN TANIW
- YAGR DIDLLE
- 4. DNAY NOMOSUEHK
- 5. MAJSE NORWB

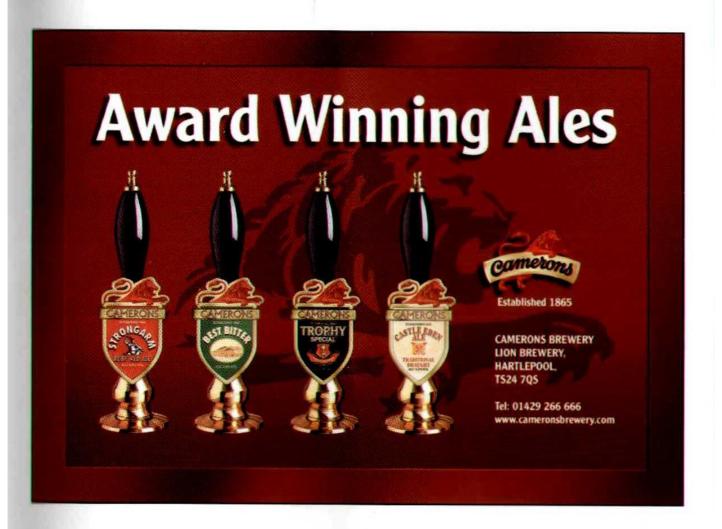


Birthday Board.

(check out the latest partying Junior Poolles!!!)

Ashleigh Parkinson celebrates her eleventh birthday on the 19th of the month. Ashleigh attends St Helens school and her favourite player is Ritchie Humphreys.

Joshua Cooper celebrates his eleventh birthday on the 26th. Joshua attends Hart Primary School and his favourite Pools player is Ritchie Humphreys.



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JEFF WINTER

Former Premiership referee Jeff Winter shows his cards on recent events at Pools.

Well that's the Leeds game out of the way until Boxing day, it's like Danny said it was just another game, but I understand that for the fans of Hartlepool to be rubbing shoulders with the likes of Leeds and Forest is a little special, the way things are going then perhaps next season we can add many more illustrious clubs to the opponents for the day.

I was especially pleased with the JPT victory at Chesterfield, I know this competition does not exactly grip the imagination in the early rounds, but you tell me a Poolie who would not fancy a weekend in London and a trip to Wembley. After the game at the press conference Danny, despite the 3-1 victory was not happy with the fact that sloppiness had led to conceding a goal. That's the standards being set at the moment.

Today it's Swindon, a team who like Pools enjoyed promotion last season, also a third opportunity to gain maximum points at The Vic. With the cup ties and the way the fixture list panned out it seems unusual to be playing at

home, I am sure that starved of home games and buoyed by performances there will be another bumper crowd today to spur the lads on.

At least the fans in Leagues 1 and 2 don't have their seasons constantly interrupted by International shutdowns, mind you next season you might have!

The magnificent travelling support at Leeds last weekend showed where the hearts of the fans lie. On that subject it always surprises me the numbers who travel away to games in the lower leagues. Away support in the Premiership with some clubs is pathetic, it must be the cost and the inevitability of most games. No such problem at Pools.

Give me a ring after the game, read my other columns on www.jeffwinter.co.uk.

ENJOY THE GAME.





Away Days

Leyton Orient v Hartlepool United

Saturday 22nd September 2007, Kick-Off 15:00

General Info

Matchroom Stadium, Brisbane Road, Leyton, London, E10 5NF

Contact Details

Main Switchboard: 0870 310 1881 0870 310 1883 licket Office Fax: 0870 310 1882 info@leytonorient.net www.leytonorient.com

Ticket Information

lickets for this game will be available on the turnstiles at the Matchroom Stadium prior to kick-

€20.00 Adults: Senior Citizens: £13.00 Under 16s: £13.00 Students: £13.00

All tickets will be sold at turnstiles on day of the game at Leyton Orient.

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Talking MWSWI

with Ritchie Humphreys

When you think of famous band line-ups, there are the obvious ones that spring to mind; John, Paul, George and Ringo. Then there's Mick, Keith, Charlie and Ronnie, Don't forget Liam, Noel, Gem and Andy, And what about John, Mani, Reni and ... Ritchie Humphreys?

The last one may not be as familiar but if the Pools' man had his way then it would be eniamatic front man Ian Brown who he'd swap places with if given a choice.

And the reason why?

"The stuff he did with the Stone Roses and what he's written as a solo artist, it's his whole attitude and the way he is as a front man," Humphreys explained to Never Say

The 29-year-old's love of music is well-known, playing a major part in his life away from football and It's an interest he's had from a very young age.

"It's something I've been really into forever really, from my Mum and Dad playing music in the house when I was younger. They'd listen to things like The Beatles, Led Zeppelin and ACDC and I just took it from there."

From listening to the likes of Page and Plant as a child, Humphreys has followed the so-called 'indie'/rock scene right through to the current crop of new bands.

And, when asked which of the latest lot he'd choose as his current number one, the left back takes

some time to answer,

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"I'd say it'll have to be Reverend and the Makers - and not just because they're from Sheffield!

"They've got a slightly different sound to a lot of the other stuff that's around at the moment. They could've gone with an Arctic Monkeys kind of sound but they've done something different and the front man has quite a lot of good thinas to say."

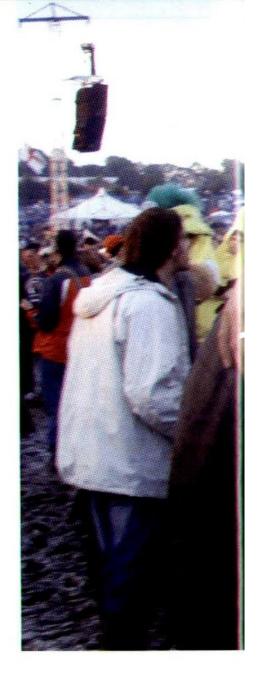
While 'The State of Things' is likely to be one of the next albums on Humphreys' shopping list, he was a little more coy when asked to confess what his first album was,

"I remember what it was but I'm definitely not telling you and it's certainly not being printed in the programme - it's very embarrassina!

With the Sheffield-born player refusing to reveal what his first album was, he did what any selfrespecting music aficionado would do; admit to the first respectable album purchased,

"It would probably be 'Thrill, Pills and Bellvaches' by The Happy Mondays," was the printable answer from Humphreys.

Following on from his first album revelation (well, kind of), the left



back was more forthcoming with details of his first ever gig,

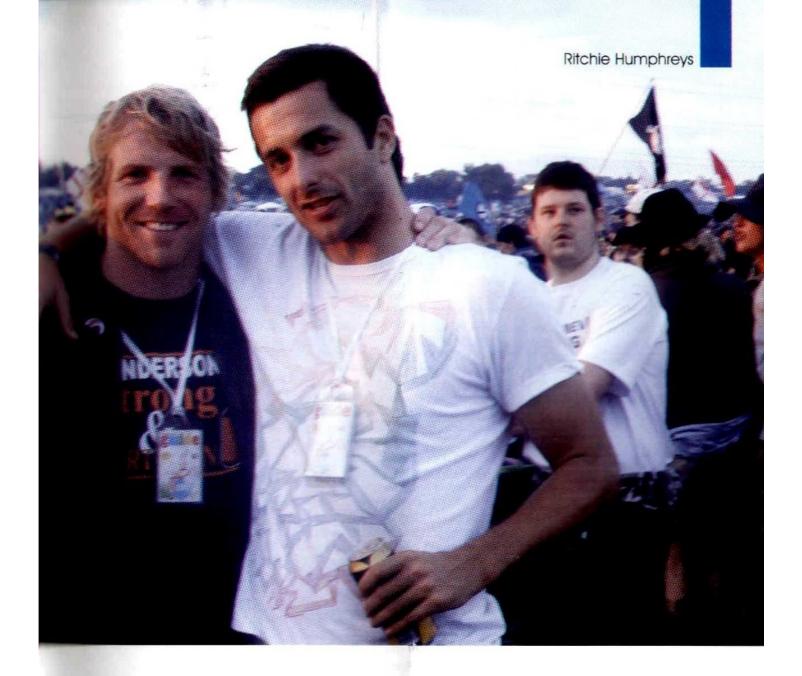
"I think it was probably the Stone Roses, just before they split up. It was at Sheffield Arena in December 1995.

"I was actually talking about that the other day because someone was saying they'd never played Sheffield, but they did and I was

Seeing the Stone Roses on your gig debut means other bands have a lot to live up to but Humphrevs reveals he has a few favourite picks from his impressive gig CV,

"I saw Oasis in quite an intimate gig at Manchester Apollo, it wasn't a

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big stadium thing so that was good. Also, I saw the Arctic Monkeys at The Clooney in Newcastle and there were only about 200 people there, If was before the album came out and stuff so that was pretty good.

"In 2001 I went to see The Strokes at Leeds University and The Libertines were supporting them - and this was the first time I'd seen them.

"Then I went to see The Libertines again at Sheffield Lead Mill with Bassy (Jon Bass) and he ended up on stage with the band. Note Doherty invited people up on stage, I didn't dare get up there but flossy did."

And former Pools' defender Jon leass is one of Humphreys' main

fellow gig-goers. The pair have stayed in regular touch since Bass moved on from The Vic as Ritchie reveals.

"It was actually Bassy who taught me how to play the guitar. We did start a band together once but split up due to musical differences," he jokes.

"I went to stay with him when he was playing in Malaysia and we went away with him again to Spain in the summer before we all went to Glastonbury."

Humphreys attended his first Glastonbury Festival this summer and, as he reveals, it made quite an impact on him,

"The whole Glastonbury thing this year as a live event was pretty good. It was wet and muddy but you just had to forget about that and not worry about your clothes getting dirty and stuff, you just had to get on with it.

"I couldn't compare it to anything else I've done. I've been to other festivals but I've never camped over for days before but it's something I will definitely be doing again. If I can't get to Glastonbury every year time permitting then I'll definitely go to other festivals."

Top 100 Poolies

With centenary year for the Club approaching, Colin Foster brings us another collection of stars from the past...

1915-16 World War One Guest

Robert Pailor

Pools appearances: Friendly 1 - total 1 Pools goals: Friendly 1 - total 1



Just the one appearance doesn't make him sound like a great, but the Stockton born (7-7-1887) centre forward became so much more involved with Pools and sport in the town in later years. His family moved to West Hartlepool when he was a child and he played first for Galley Fields School and then with some success for his first club St Oswald's in the Church League, playing alongside his brother Jut. In October 1906 he signed for amateurs West Hartlepool, whilst continuing to work as a miner. After around forty games he joined Wingate Albion in November 1907, before returning to West at the start of the next season, playing just ten more games before he made the move to giants West Bromwich Albion in October 1908. Whilst playing for local clubs a local tailor sponsored him with a suit for each hat trick he scored and it was rumoured that he ended up clothing his full family! He spent 6 seasons at the Hawthorns playing in 92 first team games scoring 47 goals, helping them to the Division Two title in 1911 and was on the losing side 58 | never say die

in the FA Cup final the following season. He returned to the town of West Hartlepool in the summer of 1913 and reached agreement with WBA to stay in the area after indicating that he did not want to return to the midlands full time. He joined Newcastle United before the start of hostilities in May 1914 for the sizeable fee in those days of £1550 scoring five times in sixteen first team games. He was injured in a match against Chelsea in March 1915 after a collision with the Blues' goalkeeper and a week later he was hospitalised in Newcastle having a diseased kidney removed. He recuperated in a Newcastle but had to announce his retirement from the professional game. He returned to West Hartlepool to work during the war and managed a side to play a 'Hartlepools' XI, and it was after this that he appeared in a friendly for the club. When the war ended he ioined the board of the club and was made the club's first assistant manager in January 1919 when the club joined the NVL and played a key role in getting players to play for the club that season. He left this role in February 1921 due to business commitments, including that of Turf Accountant/Commission Agent in the Church Street area of West Hartlepool. He maintained a great interest in local sport and was Vice President of West Hartlepool Cricket Club as well as a member of the Hartlepool Rovers Rugby Club. His brother, Tom, was Mayor of Hartlepool on four occasions and a Director at Pools from late 1938, well into the Fifties. Bob was a keen golfer too playing for the Hartlepool and Seaton Carew clubs. One of his sons, Rob, played football for local side St. Oswald's Juniors and had a trial with Pools Reserves in April 1938 aged just 17. He previously had been offered the chance of a trial with Wolves earlier in the season, but rejected their overtures as he wanted to finish his apprenticeship and for some reason his father didn't want him to be a professional footballer! His grandson, also called Robert, was awarded the MBE in 2002 for his environmental work. Despite the kidney problems and blindness later in life, he lived until the ripe old age of 88, was a father of eleven and passed away in January 1976.

1915-16 World War One Guest

William (Bill/Spider) Hastings 1914-19

Pools appearances: NVL 3, Friendlies 5 - total 8



Bill was born in West Hartlepool (22-8-1888) and was an outside left who had a great turn of speed and was initially traced playing for a side known as Greenbank who played in a local league called the Lightfoot League in the early years of the last century. He agreed to join Northern League side West Hartlepool during the summer of 1906, but shortly after turning eighteen he left them in the September, preferring to play for another local side West Hartlepool Expansion, principally a 'works' team. He did play for West Hartlepool in pre-season trials in August 1907 but he continued to play for Expansion with good local success until in May 1909 he made a long journey south and joined Brighton and Hove Albion. His first season with Brighton

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was a triumph and they won the prestigious Southern League and the Southern Charity Cup. The following season they won the FA Charity Shield. He scored 15 goals in 100 appearances in all competitions before he moved onto Birmingham City in February 1912 for a fee of £100. Not so much of a regular here he managed to figure in just forty league games scoring seven times over the next three seasons. He next joined Watford in the summer of 1914 scoring 6 goals in 36 matches being a crucial part of the team that went on to win the Southern League title in 1914-15. He appeared for Pools during the War whilst still on the books of Watford, serving locally with the Royal Flying Corps. He still managed to figure for Wattord and scored once in two dozen wartime outings. He later inturned 'home' to appear in the Northern Victory League in season 18-19 for Pools and he subsequently had a short spell at Shildon. He went on to become a referee in the local leagues in the Hartlepools, and also ran the line in North Eastern Loague games.

1917-18 **World War One Player** John Albert (Jack) Manners

Pools appearances: NEL 51, NVL 1, FAC 8, Friendlies 4 - total 64 Pools goals: NEL 3, FAC 1 - total 4

1913-1920



lack was a half back in during his long career before he joined Pools, but also played up front for the club, after becoming Pools'

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player/manager early in July 1913 when he replaced Percy Humphreys. Jack was born in Morpeth in March 1878 and it was whilst he was working as a joiner that he played for his local sides Morpeth YMCA and Morpeth Harriers. It was when he was aged 26 that he made the somewhat late moved into the league ranks when he moved to West Bromwich Albion in May 1904. He went on to become one of the pre-war greats at Albion and spent eight seasons there, appearing in well over two hundred first team games and also winning the Division Two title in season 1910-11. Jack was a true quality player who held the line solid for Pools prior despite being in his late 30s. He eventually played his last game in 1919-20 aged 42. It was his determination. along with that of Bob Pailor, which ensured that Pools managed to play the odd game here and there during the war. He retired at the end of the 19-20 campaign after ensuring that Pools had a future after the reorganising program after the war and he became a scout for various teams from the Midlands. He was considered for the position of trainer in June 1923 but he following June he returned as manager and spent four more seasons in charge of the team whilst they were in Division Three North leading them to a highest position under his tenure of sixth in 1925-26. He left the post at the end of the following season after the board had reluctantly let him go as they couldn't afford the wages of a man of his experience. After football, Jack lived in West Hartiepool and was a well known local crown green bowler and represented the Town Bowls Club on many occasions, whilst still doing some scouting for West Brom, putting them on to a Pools player called Billy Richardson some years later. Jack fell from a ladder at his home in Sandringham Road and passed away in Camerons Hospital in May 1946 after failing to recover from the injuries he sustained.

World War One Guest

Robert (Bob) Thompson 1919, 1926

Pools appearances" League 4, NVL 10, Friendlies 1 - total 15 Pools goals:

League 3, NVL 9 - total 12



Bob was a burly forward who had a couple of stints at Pools one before their league days and one during. Born in Coundon Grange in

1890, he began with local side Wingate Albion before moving to Preston North End in March 1911. He was never more than on the fringe of things there and after seventeen league games in which he scored twice, he moved onto Glossop during the 1912-13 season. He played for Glossop until the war started and had scored 14 goals in 47 league games. He appeared for Pools in the NVL scoring six goals in one match when Pools beat Darlington Forge Albion 7-1 and he finished top scorer in the 'minileague' with nine. He figured for Durham City next and then returned to the Football League with Leeds United in June 1920. He scored their 1st ever league hat trick and he totalled 12 goals (top scorer) in 25 league and cup matches he then moved to Ashington (17 games, 2 goals) in June 1921. Becoming a bit of a journeyman he moved to Luton Town the following season scoring 7 goals in 17 outings, followed by Pontypridd then Accrington Stanley (33 games, 17 goals) and in during 1925-26 he joined Bury, but played just the once for them before being released. Had a short and unsuccessful trial with Tranmere Rovers and rejoined Pools on a month long trial in October 1926. He had a good spell scoring three in four but moved on again to Goole Iown and then finally York City.

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Coca-Cola League One

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3	Carlisle	5	2	0	1	2	1	1	1	0	3	1	3	10	
4	Yeovil	5	1	1	0	2	1	2	0	1	3	2	2	10	
5	Hartlepool	5	2	D	0	6	2	1	0	2	3	4	3	9	
6	Brighton	5	3	0	0	8	3	0	0	2	1	4	2	9	
7	Bristol Rovers	5	0	2	0	3	3	2	1	0	4	2	2	9	
8	Huddersfield	5	1	0	1	1	2	2	0	1	3	3	-1	9	
9	Crewe	5	2	0	1	4	3	0	2	0	2	2	1	8	
10	Luton	5	2	0	1	6	4	0	0	2	1	3	0	6	
11	Swindon	5	1	1	1	3	3	0	2	0	2	2	0	6	
12	Southend	5	2	0	1	5	2	0	0	2	3	7	-1	6	
13	Northampton	5	1	1	1	4	3	0	1	1	3	4	0	5	
14	Port Vale	5	0	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	-2	5	
15	Swansea	4	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	4	3	0	4	
16	Cheltenham	4	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	2	0	2	-1	4	
17	Bournemouth	5	0	0	2	0	2	1	1	1	2	2	-2	4	
18	Doncaster	5	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	2	3	5	-3	4	
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22	Gillingham	5	1	0	1	2	3	0	0	3	1	7	-7	3	
23	Walsall	5	0	2	1	2	4	0	0	2	1	3	-4	2	
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Player Appearances 2007/08

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Elliott	2				2	
Boland	3	2			5	
Nelson	3	2			5	
Clark	(1)				(1)	
Liddle	3	2			5	
Humphreys	2	1			3	
Barker	3	2			5	2
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Jamie McCunnie tlaks about coming up against a few faces from his footballing past.

When Jamie McCunnie takes to the pitch this afternoon, there'll be quite a few familiar faces for him to catch up with.

It seems Swindon Town have quite a Dundee United link and the Pools' right back is looking forward to meeting up with some old friends.

"My old Manager is in charge at Swindon and two of my old team mates play there, Craig Easton and Hasney Aljofree, and John Blackley is one of the coaches.

"I haven't spoken to them since I left Dundee United but I'm looking forward to meeting up with them.

"They were in the First Team and were really helpful when I was coming through. Hasney came up from Bolton and Craig came through the Youth Team with me and they were lovely guys. Paul Sturrock left just as I came though but his assistant John Blackley stayed on and he helped me a lot defensively.

"There are a few people I'm looking forward to catching up with but I'll still be looking for the three points."

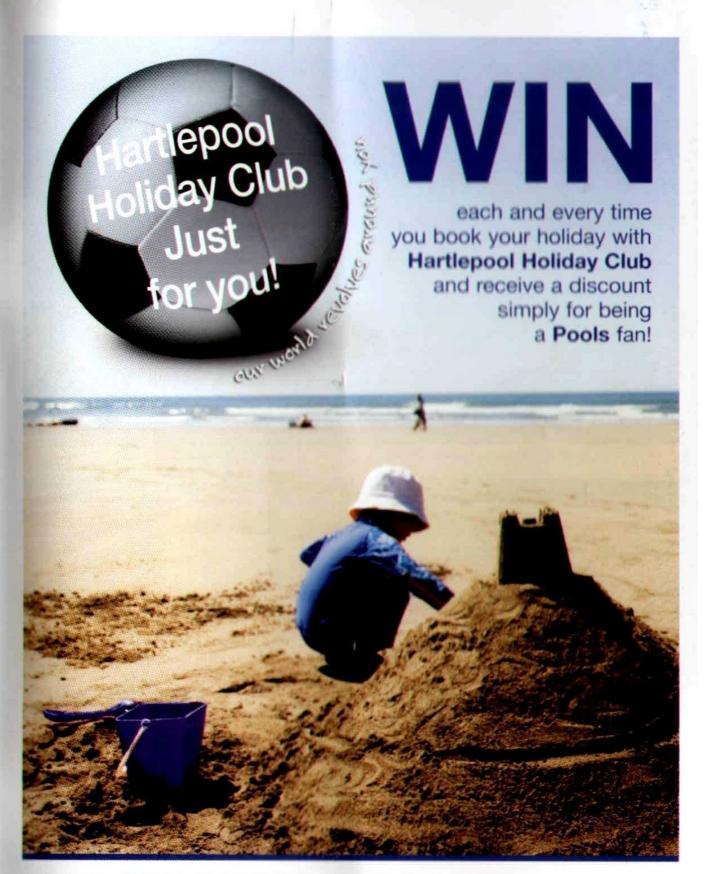
McCunnie has joked in the past that his knowledge of English geography is limited and he often has to ask his team mates where he'll be heading on a Saturday, his former team mates mean he has more information already on Swindon Town,

"So, although I don't know much about where Swindon is, I do know a bit about the team this time!" Although his knowledge of English team locations is not his strong point, he has shown an instant understanding of the English game.

McCunnie has been earning rave reviews for his solid performances both at right back and in the centre of midfield but he insists League One is similar to what he was used to last season,

"It is not a lot different to how it is in Scottish football, people were saying that I may take time to settle in but I don't think I have. The boys have been good with me and maybe I've been lucky that I have a good Manager and a team that suits me and the way I play. When we get the ball down and play, we produce some good stuff."

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Today's Squad

Hartlepool United v Swindon Town

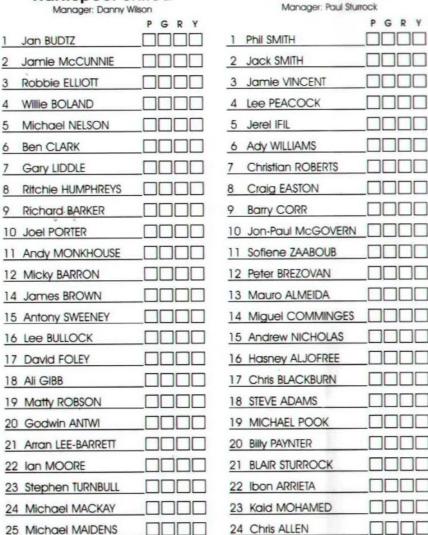
Saturday 15th September 2007 | Kick-Off 15:00

Swindon Town



Hartlepool United

Manager: Danny Wilson



KEY: P - PLAYED | G - GOLAS | Y - YELLOW CARD | R - RED CARD

26 Michael RAE

29 Tom HAIGH

30 Martin YOUNG

31 Scott ALLISON

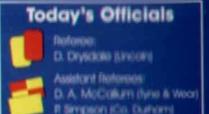


25 Andy CATON

26 Alex RIDGLEY

27 Ben TOZER

31 Simon COX



Fourth Official B. Khallo (fundament)

Today's Fixtures

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Bournemouth v Notthampton

Gillingham v Brighton

Huddersfield v Cheffenham

Millwall v Walsali

Oldham v Southend

Port Vale v Nottrn Forest

Yeovil v Leyton Orient

Sunday's Fixtures

Doncaster v Crewe

Forthcoming Fixtures

Saturday 22nd September 2007

Leyton Orient

v Hartlepool United

Kick-Off 15:00

Matchroom Stadium

CONFEE LESSON 1

Saturday 29th September 2007

Hartlepool United

v Walsall

Kick-off 15:00

Victoria Park

College Marie

Tuesday 2nd October 2007

Hartlepool United

v Carlisle United

Kick-off 19:45 Victoria Park

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