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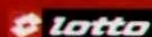
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League 1 Family Club of the Year





“Patience was always going to be the key and the players displayed a really controlled display in the last half hour and got their rewards.”



danny WILSON

Good evening and welcome back to The County Ground for this League One fixture. Tonight's visitors are Hartlepool United and I would like to welcome Chris Turner, his staff, players, directors and supporters along for the game.

Well Saturday was certainly an entertaining encounter and thankfully one that we were able to take three points from. We needed the result given that a few of the teams around us picked up victories as well.

There were a lot of positives to come out of the game on Saturday. To come back from two goals down was pleasing and the players showed tremendous character – and patience – to work towards the home win. We started really well and could have been ahead inside the first five minutes with a few opportunities, and should have been awarded a goal when Michael Timlin's shot crossed the line and bounced back out.

The goals we did concede were poor but Scunthorpe are a quality side and are up in amongst the play-off pack for a reason. They have two quality strikers and they did cause us problems. Their first one was a bit fluky then the second one came through indecision on our part.

Scunthorpe then had two players sent off for two bookable offences and I wouldn't imagine there would be too many complaints about the dismissals. Scunthorpe could have had a man sent off in the first half for the tackle on Michael Timlin, who really took control of the midfield



on the day. Playing against ten and subsequently nine men was never going to be easy because you see teams pack players behind the ball. We just told the lads to be patient and keep up the tempo. Even at two-nil down we emphasised to the team that we needed to concentrate on getting the one goal, not three.

Patience was always going to be the key and the players displayed a really controlled display in the last half hour and got their rewards. We kept the ball moving and tired them out. I am a big advocate of patience when you play football because you have to be patient before you can penetrate.

In terms of goals scored, it was good to see Michael Timlin get on the scoresheet and then Hal Robson-Kanu netted his first for the club which no doubt he will be pleased with. Lee Peacock returned to action and scored the fourth late on. He was in the right place at the right time and

took advantage of the opportunity. It was good to have him back and the more players we have fit and available for selection then the better it is for the club.

This evening we have another chance to go out and build on the work that we have been doing, although we still need to work on the defensive side of our game. We are now on a run and are clawing closer to those teams above us in the League One standings.

The confidence should be in the squad after the win on Saturday. Let's hope we can add to our points tally with another victory tonight.

Enjoy the game.



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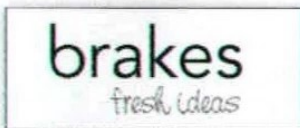
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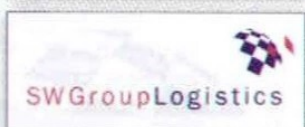
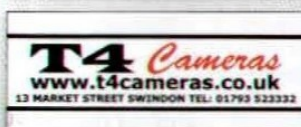


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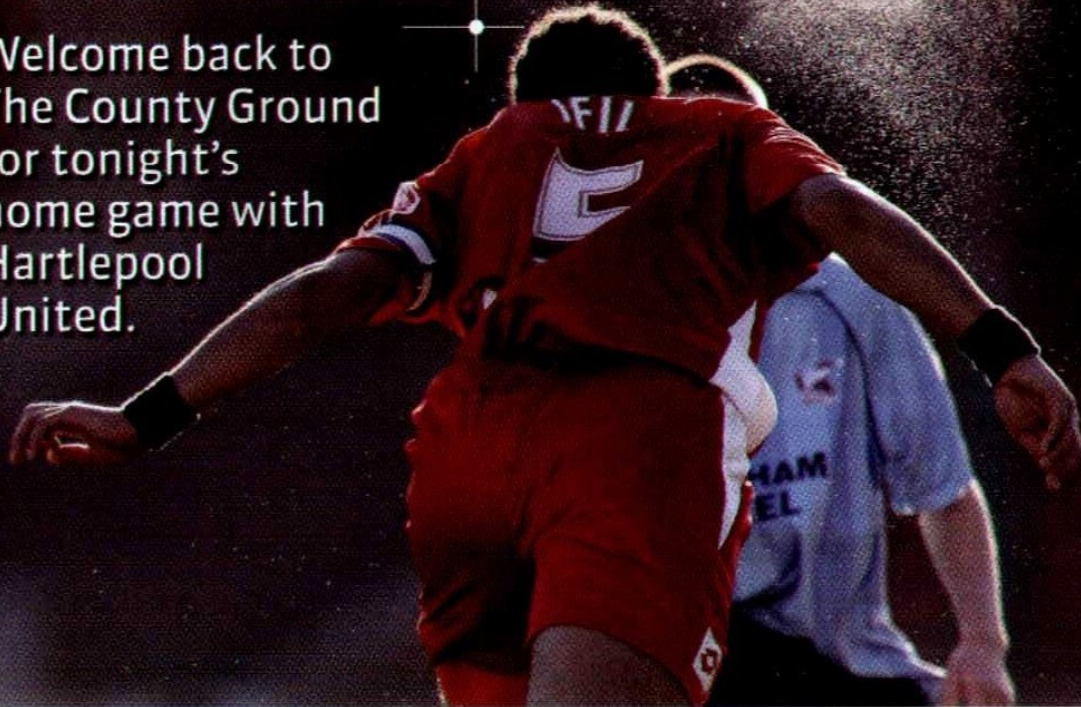
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Jerel IFIL

Welcome back to The County Ground for tonight's home game with Hartlepool United.



Saturday's visit of Scunthorpe United had it all. It was a good game to come back and win though!

We showed a lot of character and after the opening five minutes it looked as though it would be our day. We started at a good pace and then we had a goal disallowed from Michael Timlin which looked to be well over the line. Scunthorpe then scored with a miss-kick and that took everyone by surprise. The second one they scored was a decent finish, but I think we could have done more to prevent that situation from arising. At two goals down we knew there would be work to do, but the belief was there amongst the squad and the manager was reminding us at half-time of what was required.

Scunthorpe were a little over-zealous with their tackling at times and the two red cards were justified. Once they went down to nine men we didn't want to

get caught just pumping the ball forward, but the manager told us to be patient. We tried to be a little more methodical in our approach and tried to open them up before launching an attack. It did work and it was nice to have the space to pass the ball around. We were calm on the ball and that's something we should be doing a bit more.

All the games that we are playing at the moment are 'must win' fixtures. We know we can't afford to lose but we are doing what is required at the moment. All we can do is keep winning and by doing that we will close in on the teams above us.

Being handed the Captain's armband over the past few games has been a tremendous honour. Saturday's game was my 170th league appearance for the club and I am really enjoying my time here. Being Captain means there is a bit more pressure on myself to perform, but that's something that

I enjoy and hopefully we can keep the run of results going.

Hartlepool United are the opponents tonight and they are always a tough side to face. They are usually well set-up but being at home we have to try and take the game to them. Andy Monkhouse returns to The County Ground tonight and it will be good to see him again. He is a good player and you can see why he is a regular in the Hartlepool line-up. Hopefully he won't leave here as part of the winning side.

The support from the stands at the weekend was fantastic and hopefully we can provide our supporters with another three points to celebrate this evening.



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notes from the **BOARDROOM**

Chief Executive, Nick Watkins >>

“Keep facing the sun and the shadows will fall behind you.”



I hope that by the time you take your seats for this evening's fixture, your heart rate will be back to normal and that the adrenalin rush has subsided.

What a feast of entertainment was dished up last Saturday afternoon at a sun bathed County Ground, when Scunthorpe United came visiting.

The Reds kept facing the sun and ran out winners 4 - 2 and the shadows did fall in the shape of two Scunthorpe players receiving red cards.

This evening, with the sun having set, we nevertheless extend a very warm Wiltshire welcome to The

Pools, their management, players, supporters and guests. I was present on the evening of Friday October 3rd 2008 when Swindon Town FC were the visitors to a chilly Victoria Park. Having been three nil up for a large part of the game, we returned down the M1 in the early hours of the morning, with the points shared. Our three goal lead was rapidly eroded in the final quarter and the architect of The Pools revival on that occasion was a certain Mr Danny Wilson! Danny, who has made such a positive impact since his arrival at the County Ground in late December, is no doubt eagerly looking forward to this evening's encounter against his old club, as indeed are we all.

2008/09 is turning out to be the "season of the unexpected" in League One and if the suspense continues, could be in line for an OSCAR nomination for the best drama. Sides in the lower reaches of the league are routinely beating sides in the upper reaches and defying the predictions of even the wisest. Managers are entering the departure lounge with greater frequency than passengers are on a busy day at Terminal 5 and the season still has over two months to run!

We have a number of events coming up at The County Ground during the month of March, the most significant being the '69 Celebrations on **March 7th** and **8th**. Tickets for the two events to mark the League Cup success are on sale and the club would greatly value your support of these two events. The March 8th **Silver Dinner** is guaranteed to be a great evening and there are incentives available if anyone can muster up a table of ten. Do please make contact with Adam Wainwright via adam@swindontownfc.co.uk

For the **MK Dons** fixture on **March 7th** the team will play in the third shirt on this one occasion. The black and turquoise shirts are now in the club shop and available for purchase if you want to be in harmony with the Reds.

The Just A Ticket initiative runs through to the end of the season and for those who currently find themselves "resting" from work please do avail yourself of the **£5** or **£10** ticket offer.

I hope that you do enjoy your evening and thank you once more for your support. Tuesday evening fixtures do not normally attract crowds of the size that we would routinely anticipate on a Saturday afternoon and so your support is very valuable and much appreciated. Encourage a friend to come along too.

Best Wishes.
Nicholas Watkins



stfc news in brief

WE WANT YOUR VIEWS!



Swindon Town Football Club is inviting supporters to assist in the club's 2009/10 Season Ticket initiative.

The Club will be holding a Season Ticket forum at The County Ground on the evening of Wednesday 25th February 2009.

Chief Executive Nick Watkins and Director Jeremy Wray will be joined by Box Office Manager Brian Powell - with doors opening at 7pm for a 7.30pm start in the Legends Lounge.

Fans are asked to come along to suggest ideas and ask questions about the current ticketing initiatives with the club currently planning next season's Season Ticket pricing structure.

300 complimentary tickets are available for supporters which are now available from the STFC Box Office.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES!

Happy Birthday wishes to Joshua Hinds in the Arkell's Stand who will be eight years old tomorrow. From Mum, Steve, Lewis and Ben.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ALICE!

Everyone at Swindon Town FC would like to wish Alice McGinley a very Happy Birthday.

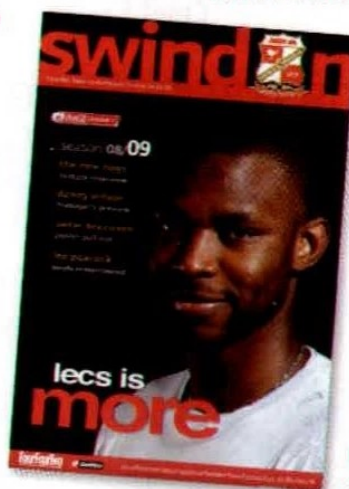
Alice celebrated her 18th birthday yesterday and she has been a glass collector in the STFC Legends Lounge for the past three years. We hope you enjoyed your big day!

THE MIDWEEK SPECIAL!

Tonight's home clash with Hartlepool United sees a change to the official matchday programme, as you will have noticed!

For 2008/09 we decided to freshen up the matchday programme with a new square-style design implemented. The initial feedback from supporters in terms of content and inside design was positive, however, the new size did receive some negative comment.

In January 2009 the Club launched an online survey with a large



percentage of the feedback received indicating that the 'square style' design was proving to be a barrier to purchase for many fans.

Following the survey results, a decision was subsequently made to change the size of the Swindon Town Matchday Programme. The weekend visit of Scunthorpe United saw the programme produced at the traditional B5, 68-page format with a £3 cover price. Sales figures for Saturday's game were the second highest recorded this season so a thank you to all supporters who purchased!

Midweek programmes will be a reduced 52-page magazine with a reduced cover price of £2. The programme is designed in-house and printed by Swindon-based printer, Acorn Press.

ARKELL'S PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Swindon Town defender Jerel Ifil collected his Arkell's Player of the Month award for January last Saturday.

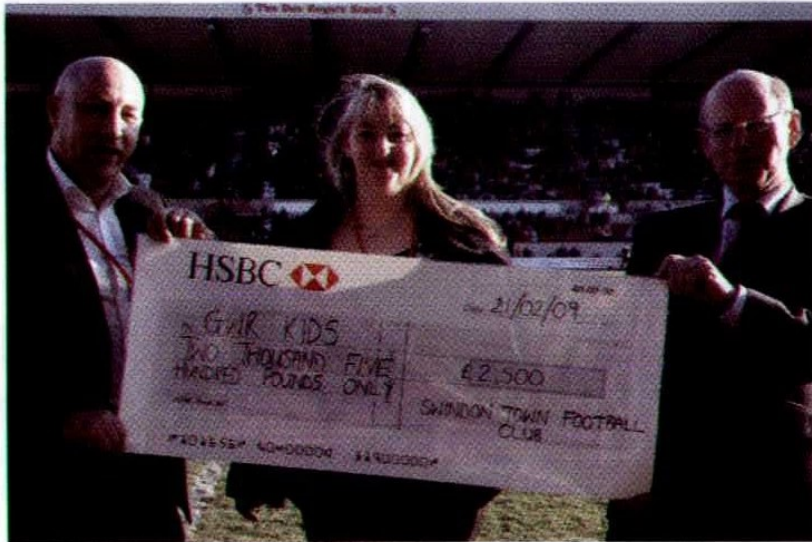
The Town Captain accepted his award from Nick Arkell and was named Player of the Month by the Arkell's voting panel, which includes Nick Arkell, Don Rogers and Ady Williams.

Arkell's relationship with Swindon Town goes back generations, and the brewery is very proud of its association with the club, having actively supported the team for over 30 years.

Nick Arkell said: "Jerel had an excellent month and led by example during a difficult month, which included home games against Stockport County and Walsall. Let's hope Jerel can mark his award with another goal soon!"



GWR KIDS CHEQUE PRESENTATION



A £2,500 cheque was handed over by Nick Watkins to the charity GWR Kids on Saturday afternoon.

Swindon Town Football Club received the money from the Charity Shield fund, with a further £2,500 due to be presented to The Prospect Hospice at the MK Dons game.

GWR Kids raises funds for children and young people in Swindon and throughout Wiltshire, helping children and young people up to the age of 18 who experience the

negative effects of poverty, abuse, neglect, homelessness, violence, crime, illness or disability.

GWR Kids focus is raising money locally, and awarding grants to community groups and charities that operate in the local community to support children and young people from the age of 0-18 years.

Every year GWR Kids organises local fundraising events and work with local businesses to raise funds for the Appeal.

IN THE NEWS



It was a sorry weekend for ex-Town stopper **Rhys Evans** as Bradford City's four-game unbeaten run came to an end as they were thumped 4-1 at

Barnet. Evans joined The Bantams in the summer after a half-season stint at Millwall. Also in the Bradford line-up was **Peter Thorne**, another player to have spent time with Swindon. The striker has eleven goals so far this term, although has failed to find the net since scoring against Barnet in a 3-3 home draw on the first day of November.



Curtis Weston is enjoying life as a regular in the Gillingham midfield. He has made 31 league appearances for the club this term after

a permanent switch from Leeds United last summer.

'Super' **Sam Parkin** scored his first goal since August as he helped Luton Town to record a 3-1 home win over Shrewsbury Town. Parkin recently returned to Kenilworth Road after a 15-game loan spell with League One side Leyton Orient.



Former Town defender **Chris Blackburn** was on the wrong end of a 2-0 defeat at the weekend as Aldershot lost out at

home to Morecambe. The 26-year old defender has now made 27 league starts for The Shots, who he joined in the summer of 2008 after a one season stay here at The County Ground. And yes, the hair is still growing.

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MON 23RD FEB: The Gaffer previews Tuesday night's visit of The Pools, looking

for another three-point return against his former club.



SAT 21ST FEB: Danny Wilson gives his first post-match interview to STFC World

after a four-goal salvo against The Iron.



TUE 24TH FEB: Nick Watkins previews Wednesday night's Season Ticket forum with an insight into next season's campaign.



SUN 22ND FEB: Go behind the scenes with an alternative look at The County Ground on a

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- 3pm - Kick-Off
- 4.45pm - Three points in the bag - we hope!
- 5.30pm - Transfer to the hotel
- 7pm - Three course meal provided for guests

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2009

- 10am - Coach departs for Swindon Town FC

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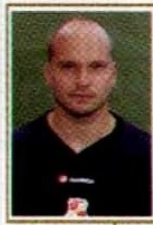
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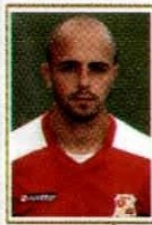


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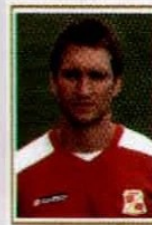


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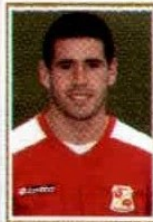


Jamie Vincent 03

Defender

H: STFC Disabled Supporters Group

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Michael Timlin 04

Midfielder

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Defender

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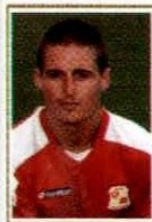


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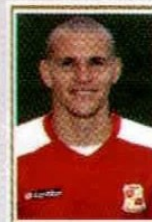


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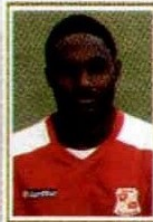


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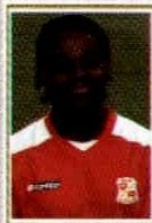


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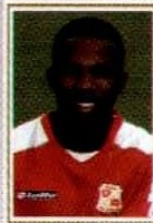


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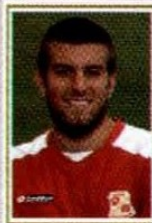


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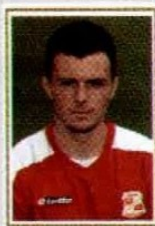


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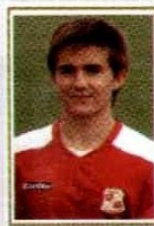


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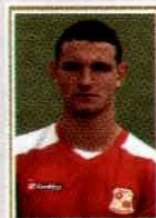


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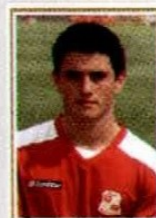


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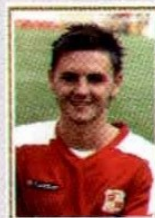


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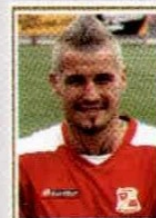


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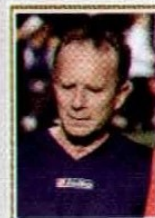


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Striker

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KEY MOMENTS

26 MIN David Mirfin helps the ball on from a corner into the path of Gary Hooper who diverts the ball home from close range to open the scoring.



39 MIN Henry Lansbury nips in to score a well-taken second as he clips the ball into the box before firing through the legs of Brezovan from close-range.



63 MIN Town finally get a goal against nine-man Scunthorpe with Michael Timlin's half volley from the edge of the box finding the back of the net.



72 MIN Swindon equalise with substitute Anthony McNamee's cross into the box met by Andrew Wright who can only divert the ball into his own net.



82 MIN Hal Robson-Kanu fires in a low drive which has the beating of Murphy to put Town into the lead against their nine-man opponents.



85 MIN Another testing cross from Anthony McNamee results in a home goal. Lee Peacock meets the ball and bundles it into the net to round off the victory.





It was a frenetic Saturday afternoon of action with six goals and two red cards at The County Ground as The Robins took all three points against Scunthorpe United.

Gordon Greer was the only omission from the starting line-up due to injury with Lescinel Jean-Francois making his full debut for the club at left-back. Lee Peacock returned to the bench and would make an impression late in the game.

The game started powerfully for Town who hit the bar early on through Michael Timlin. First half from Gary Hooper and Henry Lansbury saw the visitors go into the break two goals to the good.

The game changed in the second half with David Mirfin and Captain Cliff Byrne dismissed for the visitors with Swindon working patiently to make the most of their numerical advantage.

By the end of the encounter the goals were flowing with Michael Timlin and Hal Robson-Kanu getting Town back on level terms before an Andrew Wright own goal and Lee Peacock close range effort secured the victory.



Action replay



21.02.09



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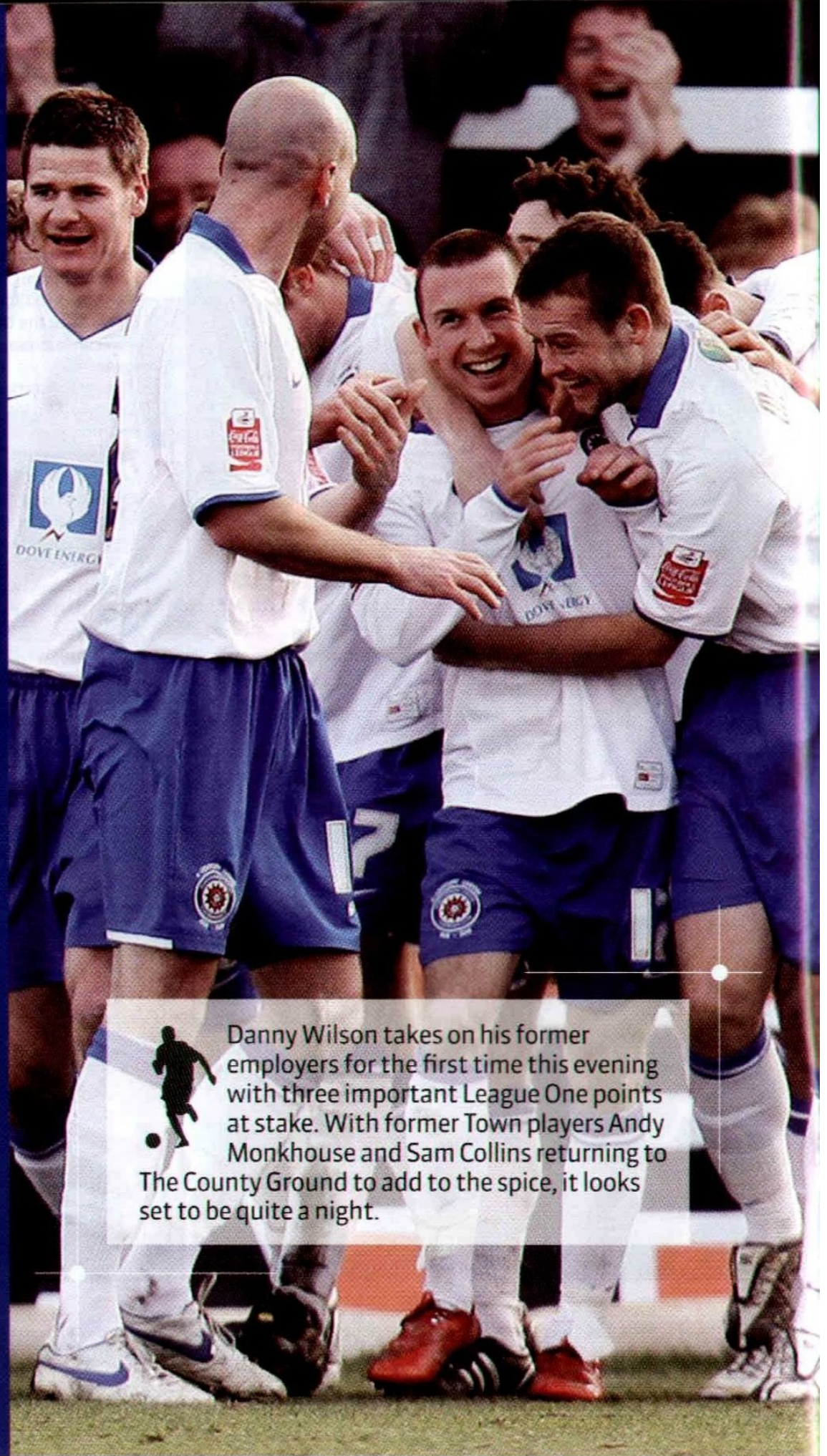
Swindon Town: Peter Brezovan; Jack Smith, Jerel Ifil (Capt), Jamie Vincent, Lescinel Jean-Francois (Morrison '46); Kevin Amankwaah (McNamee '53), Michael Timlin, Patrick Kanyuka, Hal Robson-Kanu; Billy Paynter (Peacock '67), Simon Cox.

Substitutes not used: Phil Smith, Chris Allen.



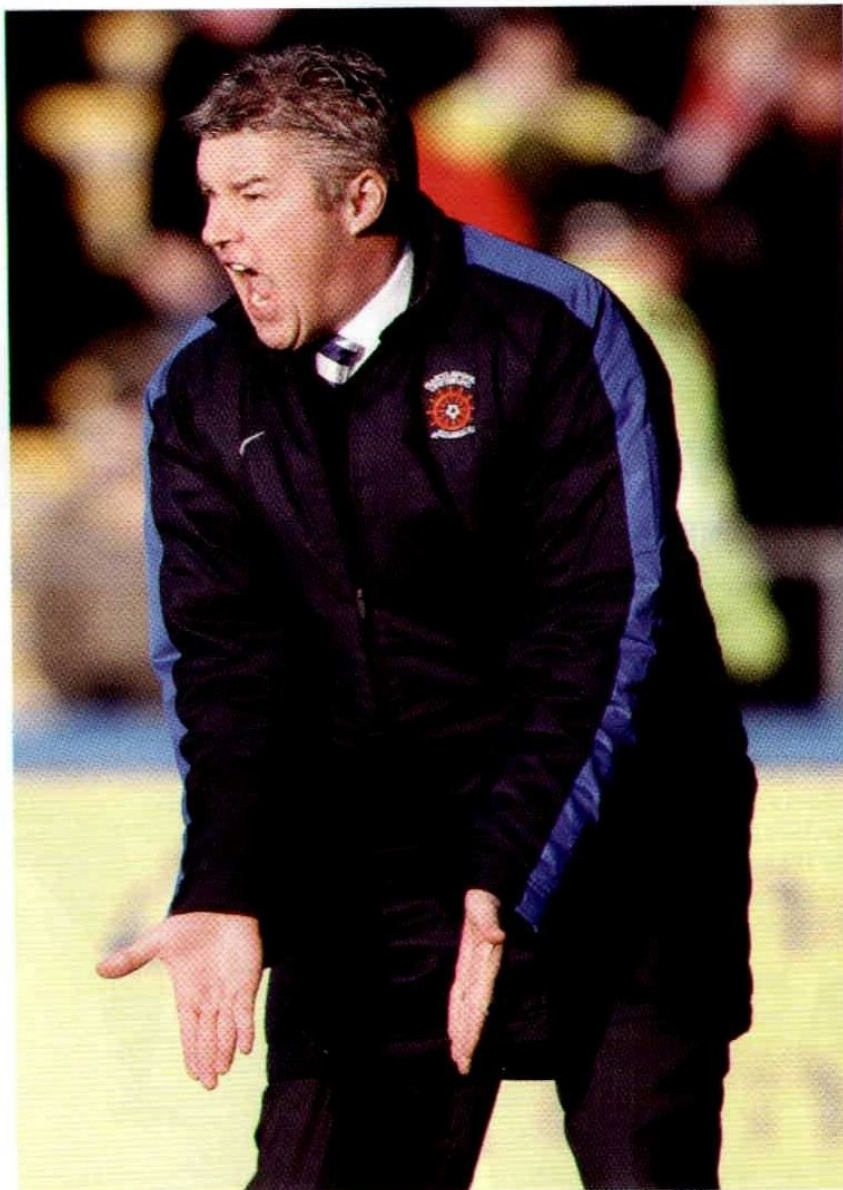
swindon town v hartlepool united

League 1: 24/02/09



Danny Wilson takes on his former employers for the first time this evening with three important League One points at stake. With former Town players Andy Monkhouse and Sam Collins returning to The County Ground to add to the spice, it looks set to be quite a night.





Chris TURNER

Director of Sport Chris Turner was confirmed as temporary boss until the end of the season recently after taking over following the departure of Danny Wilson in December.

Turner is in his second stint in the hotseat at Victoria Park having previously enjoyed a successful spell in charge between 1999 and 2002.

During that time he led the Club to three successive play-off campaigns in what was then Division Three and laid the foundations for the eventual promotion before being lured away to hometown team Sheffield Wednesday midway through the 2002/2003 campaign.

Turner had begun his playing days with the Owls in 1976 and played almost 100 games before moving on to Sunderland in 1978.

After seven years and 195 appearances at Roker Park, Turner attracted the attention of Manchester United and went on to play 65 times for the Red Devils before returning to Hillsborough in 1988 and helped them to League Cup glory in 1991, playing alongside current Swindon boss Danny Wilson.

Following his departure as manager of Wednesday in 2004, Turner had a short stint in charge at Stockport County before his return to Pools as Director of Sport in 2006.

Last Six in League One...

21/2/09	Hartlepool United	0
	Leyton Orient	1
14/2/09	MK Dons	3
	Hartlepool United	1
7/2/09	Hartlepool United	2
	Walsall	2
3/2/09	Huddersfield Town	1
	Hartlepool United	1
31/1/09	Brighton & Hove Albion	2
	Hartlepool United	1
27/1/09	Hartlepool United	2
	Carlisle United	2

Town's last six vs Pool

3/10/08	Hartlepool United	3
	Swindon Town	3
22/12/07	Swindon Town	2
	Hartlepool United	1
15/9/07	Swindon Town	1
	Hartlepool United	1
3/2/07	Swindon Town	0
	Hartlepool United	1
5/8/06	Hartlepool United	0
	Swindon Town	1
8/4/06	Swindon Town	1
	Hartlepool United	1

Town's record vs Pool

	Swindon wins	draws	Hartlepool wins
League	9	8	4
FA Cup	1	0	0
Total	10	8	4



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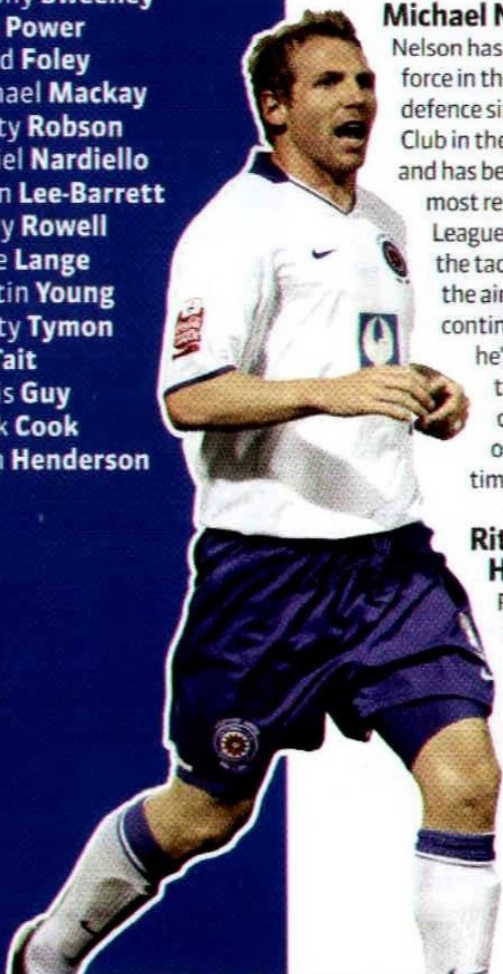
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- 3 Ritchie Humphreys
- 4 Willie Boland
- 5 Michael Nelson
- 6 Sam Collins
- 7 Gary Liddle
- 8 Ritchie Jones
- 10 Joel Porter
- 11 Andy Monkhouse
- 12 Ben Clark
- 14 James Brown
- 15 Antony Sweeney
- 16 Alan Power
- 17 David Foley
- 18 Michael Mackay
- 19 Matty Robson
- 20 Daniel Nardiello
- 21 Arran Lee-Barrett
- 22 Jonny Rowell
- 23 Rune Lange
- 24 Martin Young
- 26 Matty Tymon
- 27 Joe Tait
- 28 Lewis Guy
- 30 Mark Cook
- 34 Liam Henderson



in town



Arran Lee-Barrett

Young keeper who joined the Club on a free transfer from Championship side Coventry City

in the summer of 2007 and battled it out for the number one spot at The Vic. Having begun his career with Norwich City he made a move to Cardiff City.

Sam Collins

Former Hull City defender who enjoyed a loan spell here at The County Ground during the 2007/08 season. Collins added a physical presence to the Town backline and made four appearances for The Robins during a one-month stay. Signed permanently for The Pools in January 2008.

Michael Nelson

Nelson has been a dominant force in the heart of Pools' defence since joining the Club in the summer of 2003 and has become one of the most respected players in League One. Aggressive in the tackle and superb in the air, his reputation has continued to grow and he's been the subject of transfer speculation on more than one occasion during his time at Pools.

Ritchie Humphreys

Ritchie arrived at Victoria Park in the summer of 2000. The majority of his early games for Pools in midfield, though a move to left back in the 2006/07 season has become a permanent one.

Antony Sweeney

With competition fierce in the centre of the park, Sweeney found himself asked to operate on the right-wing or even at right-back on occasions last season. His non-stop running and limitless energy means he is just as likely to appear in his own box with a crucial tackle as he is in the opponents' area to score a goal.

Andy Monkhouse

Signed for Swindon in the summer of 2006 although made only nine league starts before falling out of favour with Paul Sturrock and joined Hartlepool on loan, where he won all eight games of his temporary stint. The left winger then joined Hartlepool on a permanent basis in January 2007.

Lewis Guy

The Doncaster Rovers forward joined the Club on a month's loan last Thursday to help bolster Chris Turner's attacking options. Guy scored eight goals during Rovers' promotion to the Championship last season.

Rune Lange

Norwegian striker Rune joined Pools on the last day of the January transfer window on a short-term contract until the end of the season. His superb scoring record at Tromso in the late 1990s prompted Turkish outfit Trabzonspor to part with £4million for his services in 2000.

Gary Liddle

Liddle joined the Club from Middlesbrough in August 2006 and made an instant impact at Victoria Park, being named joint Player of the Year in the promotion season of 2006/2007.



Joel PORTER

So often the thorn in Swindon's side, Joel Porter has hit eighteen goals already so far this term – just one behind Town's frontline striker Simon Cox.

After missing the majority of the 2005/06 campaign with a knee injury, Porter suffered a similar fate the following season, featuring in only 26 games of the promotion year.

Porter began his career in Australia with spells at Croydon Kings, West Adelaide, Melbourne Knights and Sydney Olympic, before joining Hartlepool after trials with Wigan Athletic and Sunderland.

Having joined the Club late in 2003, the Aussie striker failed to settle quickly by his own admission but, after a rigorous pre-season, he showed the fans his true colours in the 2004/05 season establishing a prolific partnership with Adam Boyd.

His direct approach and positive running has made him a big hit with everyone at Pools and despite rumours he would leave last summer, the Club exercised an option in his contract to keep him at Victoria Park.

Previous Clubs

West Adelaide
1998–1999

Melbourne Knights
2000–2002

Sydney Olympic
2002–2003

Hartlepool United
2003–Present

did you know?

The highest ever attendance to see Town take on Hartlepool United saw 18,921 packing into The County Ground on Tuesday 4th February 1969. **Peter Noble** scored for The Robins with the game finishing all-square at 1-1.



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Anthony McNamee jinks past two Oldham challenges before firing in a left-footed effort destined to test home keeper Greg Fleming. The ball is blocked, rising, 22 yards from goal.

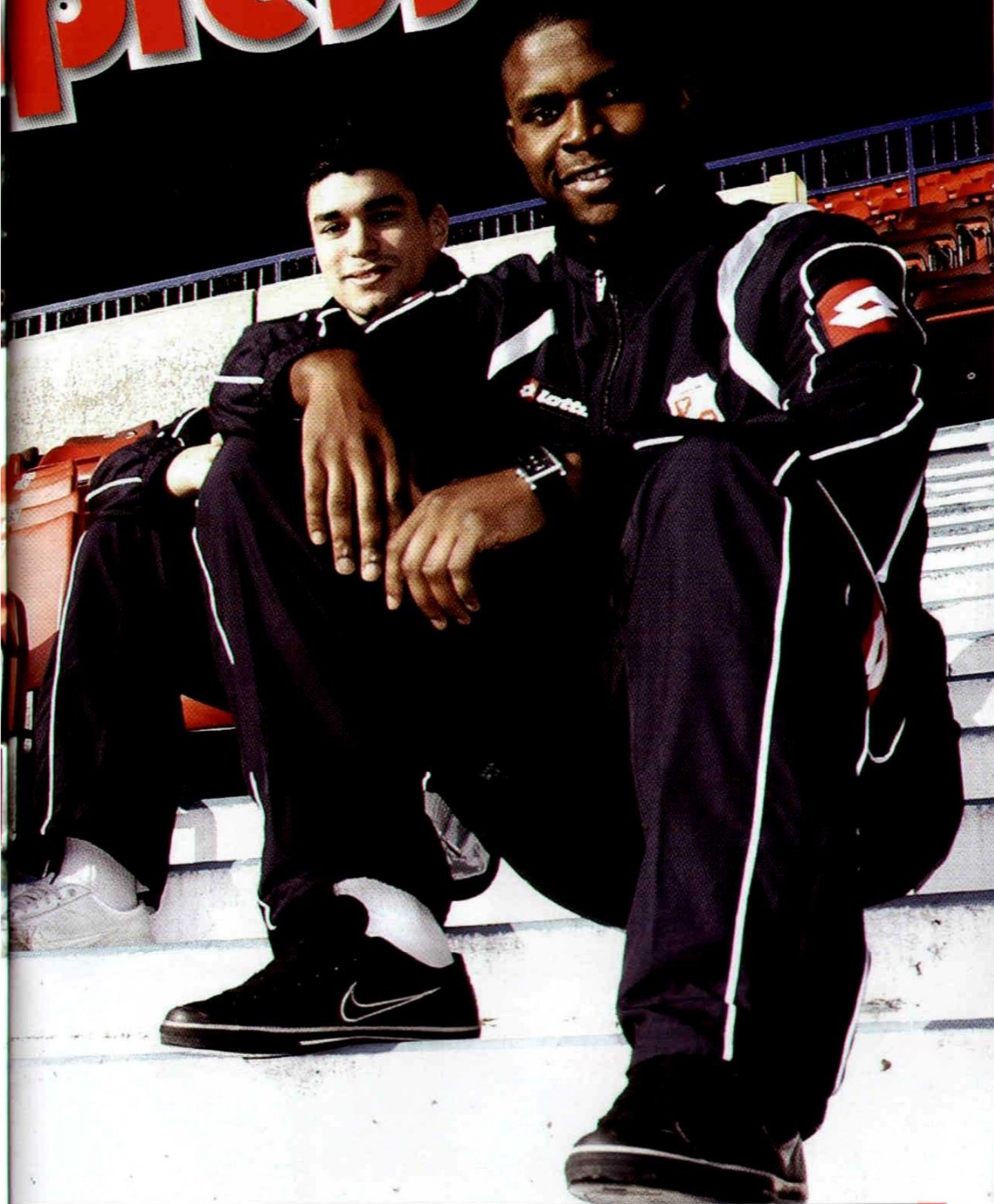
New signing **Hamdi Razak** glides through the Lancashire air before executing an impressive scissor kick volley which forces a fine save from Fleming. The 257 Town fans are on their feet behind the goal; the latest addition to Town's foreign legion has already made quite an impression.

Words: Chris Tanner

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Lecsinel

Razak was drafted in as one of four new recruits by Manager Danny Wilson in mid-January. Few had heard of the Frenchman when he was named in the starting line-up for the reserves against Swansea City. Razak went on to net a second half hat-trick against The Swans in an impressive 6-3 victory, scoring past the imposing frame of visiting keeper Dimi Konstantopoulos. Days later the stopper would keep a clean sheet in Swansea's FA Cup win over against Portsmouth, shutting out the likes of Peter Crouch, Kanu and Real Madrid target Jermaine Pennant. Razak's performance against The Swans was enough to convince Wilson to snap up the front man on a short-term deal until the end of the season and seven days later he was an unused substitute in the home win over Walsall. Boundary Park was the setting for his first taste of Football League action and he made quite an impact for a 25-minute cameo against one of League One's toughest outfits.


Enthusiasm is certainly not in short supply as those fans that saw the 23-year olds debut will testify. The commanding, if not polished, display was full of energy - something that the Town management will be looking to harness.

"I really enjoyed it," Hamdi explains. "The game was my first with Swindon and I wanted to show everybody what I could do. I was enthusiastic and maybe my excitement might need some coaching, but I was happy with how I did. I had a chance to score too; sometimes they go in, sometimes they don't."

Fellow new signing Lecsinel Jean-Francois was included in the squad which travelled to Oldham and the centre-back was named on the bench for what was his first involvement as a Town player. The 22-year old defender looked on from the bench and was delighted to see his housemate make his Town debut.

"I think Hamdi did well because it was his first game as a professional player. I think he can improve and he will do more on the pitch as time goes on," says Lecsinel.





"Hamdi is very difficult to play against in training because he is very tall and very strong. He has a good jump and I have some problems trying to defend against him in training, but maybe next time he will have problems with me," smiles the Haiti International.

"He is too strong," remarks Hamdi, when asked about training with Lecsinel. "You can feel him niggling at you all the time in training and he is an intelligent defender and I am sure the strikers in League One will have problems with him too."

Both players are certainly keen to make the most of their opportunity which Swindon offers them. Having walked around the stadium with the pair it is clear how much desire

they have to make the most of their time here.

"I will do my best for this club," says Hamdi. "I have nothing to lose here, it is a short-term contract and it is up to me to show the manager that I can make something of my chance here. I have work to do to reach my best level, I know that, but I am looking forward to learning."

"It is very exciting," Lecsinel enthuses. "We both played in a small division in France and we are very happy to have signed for Swindon Town."

The visit of Hartlepool United to The County Ground will be another opportunity for one, or both, of our foreign newcomers to add to their experience in a Town shirt.

"I am really looking forward to playing at The County Ground in a league game," says Hamdi. "Against Walsall I was on the bench - but I could hear the fans' singing and that was very exciting. I want to feel that on the pitch."

"The stadium is impressive even when it is empty. I played on the pitch here for the reserves against Swansea and really enjoyed my time. Making my home debut in the league will be special."

Hamdi





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JUNIOR ROBINS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

We will be holding a Junior Robins Meet the Players evening at The County Ground at the end of March. I will let you know more details in a following programme. These evenings are always a great success, so it is well worth coming along to meet our players. Let me know if you are interested in this.

I do still have a few spaces left for the tour around Wembley Stadium. The trip has been booked for Sunday the 8th of March. The cost for this will be £30 for adults and £18 for Junior Robins. This is the total price for the coach and tour. Although I haven't been to the new Wembley Stadium the tours look brilliant. It's a fantastic opportunity to see the inside of this great national stadium. Please contact me by phone or email if you would like more details. I can only book people on to the coach once I have the payment.

I say thank you to Danny and his players for allowing us to join them for the day!



That does seem like a long way off, but it will soon fly by, and hopefully it will be better weather than last time the Junior Robins went there!

The Junior Robins clubroom is in the Arkell's Stand, in the Lifestyle Centre, towards the Stratton Bank end. Please come in and say 'Hello', we have sweets, tea, coffee and squash. We will be getting more equipment as time goes by, but if you have any good suggestions of what you would like to see, or do in your Junior Robin clubroom please let me know. It's got off to a great start, but we still want to improve on what we have.

Please note that the Junior Robins Room will be closed for the Cheltenham Town game next Tuesday.

MEMBERSHIP COSTS

If you would like to join up as a Junior Robin it will now only cost £5. For that very small charge you will get use of the JR clubroom on match days, 15% discount in the STFC club shop, some great offers on various things around Swindon. You will also get the opportunity to come to Meet the Players evenings etc. Also there is the chance to be a Swindon mascot for away games that you are travelling to. Please contact me for further details.

For any enquiries please let me know **07776 207655** or **01793 527470**. Shazfranklin@aol.com

Many thanks
Sharon

TRAINING SESSION

Last week some of the Junior Robins and their parents were able to watch the players train up at the training ground. It was a great opportunity to see how they train; we also had photos with the players, and got a lot of their autographs. After the training we all went back to The County Ground to share lunch, which was really good. Can

AWAY GAMES

The next game for the Junior Robins to travel to will be Brighton in April.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joshua Hinds from everyone at the club. We hope you have a great birthday!

RECOMMEND A FRIEND

This year we have lots of great benefits for our junior robins. We would like you to recommend a friend to become a member. If you are already a member and can recommend someone else to join, once they have joined you will receive a signed photo of your favourite town player.

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A classic encounter



Words: Dave Wallis

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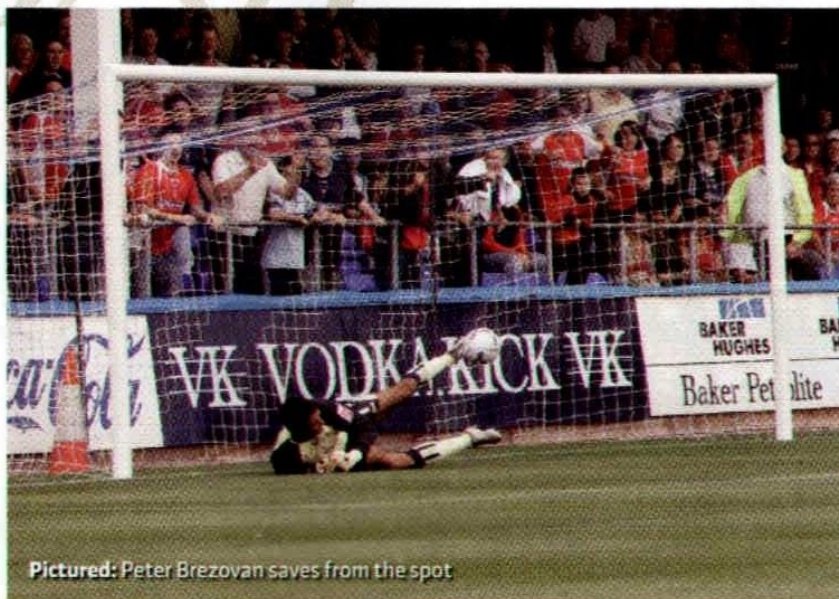
When the fixture computer selected the opening game of 2006/07 there would have been sighs of relief in Swindon that the long trip to Hartlepool was to take place on a summer Saturday, rather than a winter midweek night.

Both sides kicked off the new campaign with disappointment to put behind them. Town and 'Pool had dropped from League One the previous May and an immediate return was on everyone's mind.

In Dennis Wise we had a fresh young boss, while Pool's boss Danny Wilson, himself only in the hot seat since June, had replaced Martin Scott who had left the club in February.

Wise had been busy restructuring his squad and one of those new arrivals was to make an instant impression on his debut.

The game was two minutes old when Slovakian goalkeeper Peter



Pictured: Peter Brezovan saves from the spot

“Peter Brezovan, a close season signing from Czech Republic outfit FC Brno, was forced to face up to a Joel Porter penalty.”

Brezovan, a close season signing from Czech Republic outfit FC Brno, was forced to face up to a Joel Porter penalty after Ricky Shakes was adjudged to have impeded the same Hartlepool man.

Diving to his right the giant stopper was equal to the effort, and then jumped to his feet to block the follow up.

After that let-off Lee Peacock just failed to make the most of a Jamie Vincent cross on four minutes, placing the ball wide of the right hand post, but the striker had signalled his intent. Seven minutes later it was Peacock who made the crucial opening, connecting with a Michael Pook corner to place his header past Dimi Konstantopoulos.

Next it was Brezovan's turn to shine again with a twisting

close range save from Porter, then with three minutes of the half remaining Michael Nelson's powerful shot was turned away to keep Town's lead intact.

The travelling supporters would have felt the more relieved at half time but there was plenty of work to do to remain in command of the points.

Both Hartlepool substitute Darren Williams and Porter hit Town's woodwork in a four minute spell, then on 72 minutes the home supporters could have been forgiven for thinking a break was finally going to go their way.

Porter was again brought down in the penalty area, this time by Jack Smith, and referee Russell Booth pointed to the spot for the second time.



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STFC Under 18's

WELSH DUO COLLECT CAPS

Swindon Town defender Jack Winter and midfielder Billy Bodin both collected their Welsh Under 17 caps at half-time on Saturday.

The pair were presented with their caps after appearances for Wales in the summer in Sweden and Portugal respectively. Players representing Wales are awarded one cap per season, with the duo being handed their cap at half-time against Scunthorpe United at the weekend.

Winter returned to Under 18's action after Christmas following a shoulder injury whilst Bodin junior has been a regular in the Under 18's line-up and recently received a call-up to the Wales Under 17 squad to face Malta next Sunday.

TORQUAY UNITED 2 SWINDON TOWN 3

Thursday 19th February 2009

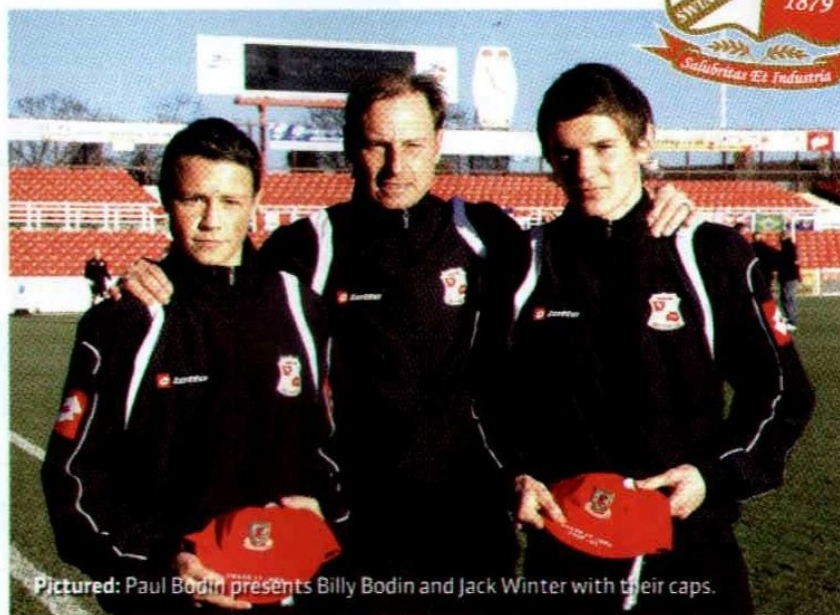
Town's youngsters ensured the seven hour round trip to Dartmouth was worthwhile as The Robins got back to winning ways with another league victory.

Having made the lengthy journey down to Dartmouth Town's ground, which included a ferry trip, Swindon started brightly and raced into a 3-0 lead.

Jordan Record opened the scoring with a smart 25 yard finish after the home keeper saw a clearance find the feet of the Town striker who made no mistake to fire his side ahead.

Mark Hartmann then added a second just before the break, rounding the Gulls keeper to double the advantage. After half-time Paul Bodin saw his side add to their tally as Billy Bodin fired in a third following good work from flying winger Lloyd Macklin.

Town then introduced Elliot Knight and Matty Barnes with Jamie Taylor and Lewis Page making way with around fifteen minutes to go. The home side grabbed two goals back in the closing stages, the



Pictured: Paul Bodin presents Billy Bodin and Jack Winter with their caps.

second coming from the spot after Mark Hartmann had been harshly penalised for an alleged handball.

Youth team boss Paul Bodin was pleased to return to winning ways with what was a battling performance on an arduous day for his players.

"It was a battle to keep our noses in front at the end but thankfully we did enough to take the victory. It was a long trip but worth it in the end."

SWINDON TOWN 2 BOURNEMOUTH 0

Saturday 21st February 2009

The Robins returned to home action at The Liddington on Saturday afternoon with a victory over visitors AFC Bournemouth.

Danny Wilson was amongst the spectators with the Under 18's looking to take their opportunity and impress the watching Town boss.

It was a solid first half performance against a Cherries side who included former Town youngster Giancarlo Carpinelli in their line-up. Swindon took the lead with Andy Westall netting his second penalty inside three games after Billy Bodin had been fouled inside the box.

A 1-0 half-time lead was built upon in the second period with a cross headed back across goal by Danny Wallington, with sharp shooter Jamie Taylor on hand to volley in his 23rd goal of the campaign from close range.

Paul Bodin had praise for his team who secured their second victory on the spin.

"The lads kept their heads and we did well. We got the ball into wide areas like we had been asking them too and reaped the rewards.

"It was an excellent display and it was great to put back to back wins together after beating Torquay United in the week. The Swansea and Yeovil performances are now firmly behind us."

GILLS BOUND

This weekend the Town Under 18's will face Gillingham in the Puma Youth Alliance Cup Southern Section semi-final.

Paul Bodin added: "We have had the all clear from the club to go down the night before and it is a chance for the Under 18's to sample what life would be like as a member of the first team.

"It is an important game for us and we want to be as professional and prepared for it as we can."





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Pictured: Lee Peacock heads the winner at Victoria Park in August 2006.

IN BUSINESS

"He couldn't have picked a better time to come off the bench could he?" remarked Town boss Danny Wilson, speaking to the media about Lee Peacock's return to action after Saturday's 4-2 home win over Scunthorpe United.

A recurring back injury had kept the striker turned midfielder out of action for just over a month, with his last appearance in a Town shirt coming at Huddersfield Town in mid-January. A frustrating time on the sidelines had left Danny Wilson without one of his most experienced performers (Peacock has now made 487 league appearances with 121 league goals to his name).

It was a welcome return to the fold for the 32-year old, who chose to celebrate his goal with his 'saviour'.

"I was over the moon to get on the scoresheet at the end. My back

support had been my saviour over recent weeks. It had been getting me through training and I wanted it to share a bit of the glory with me!"

Peacock has happy memories of playing Hartlepool United. He was a part of the Sheffield Wednesday side which defeated The Pools 4-2 in the League One play-off final in 2005, in front of almost 60,000 at The Millennium Stadium. Town midfielder Jon-Paul McGovern was also in the Wednesday side that day, whilst the likes of Michael Nelson, Antony Sweeney, Ritchie Humphreys and Joel Porter remain vital cogs in the Hartlepool side.

"I know quite a lot of the lads up at Hartlepool anyhow and they are one of the teams that I never really like playing against. They are a fantastic bunch of guys and are always well-organised. No matter what form you are in Hartlepool always have the capability to upset the books," said Peacock.

"Over my career I have had some intense games against them. I played them in the play-off semi-finals for Bristol City and also in the play-off final for Sheffield Wednesday which was a great day."

"The Peaconator" has also enjoyed more recent success against The Pools. On the opening day of the 2006/07 promotion campaign Peacock hit the winner at Hartlepool as Swindon took all three points at Victoria Park.

"It was a well-worked corner routine, one that always seemed to leave me free in the box and it worked a treat up there. It was on the same day that 'Czechy' saved two penalties and the victory was the first of our unbeaten run at the start of the promotion season.

He added: "Tuesday's game will be a difficult one but we will go into it in a positive frame of mind and aim for the victory."



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Does a manager facing his former team have the same kind of impact that players do?

Swindon certainly seem to have suffered more than most from those who used to wear the red and white shirt coming back to haunt them recently, but I don't know if a manager can have the same impact.

One of the more recent examples of biting the hand that used to feed you, involved this afternoon's opponents Hartlepool. It was pretty obvious early on in Paul Sturrock's short reign at The County Ground that if he didn't rate you, you'd be out of The County Ground exit door pretty quickly (whatever did happen to Fola Onibuje?). Andy Monkhouse was one of those. Despite an impressive start to his Swindon career he picked up a hamstring injury, and wasn't fit when Sturrock arrived at the club.

Having examined his injury history (although I wonder how closely he did this, seeing as the stats he quoted seemed to change every time he talked about it), Sturrock decided Monkhouse wasn't for him and he was soon snapped up by a certain Danny Wilson at Hartlepool. There was a sense of grim inevitability when on his return, it was his header which found it's way past Phil Smith for the only goal of the game between the two promotion contenders at The County Ground.

Players have that immediate and obvious chance to show their former team exactly what they're missing, and perhaps why they made a mistake in letting them go. Whether it's the reflex save, fantastic last ditch tackle or the unstoppable shot, what can a manager do? Well they can certainly get their side up for the game, but once the action starts all

they can do is tinker with the tactics and hope they've got it right.

Perhaps the one big advantage they have is in knowing the strengths and weaknesses of their former staff. Having only left Hartlepool a couple of months ago, Danny Wilson should certainly know plenty about the men he coached for more than two seasons. He can tell the Swindon players all about who to watch out for at set pieces and any potential weak links.

But is that really much better than a particularly detailed scouting report? Every manager I've ever interviewed generally has nice things to say about the opposition, but then parrots some variation of: "...but it's not about them, it's about us. If we play well I'm confident we'll get the three points."

Well let's hope it can make a difference. We'll find out soon enough.



Above: Former Hartlepool Manager Danny Wilson, now with the Town.

Below: Former Robins winger Andy Monkhouse in action at Accrington Stanley during the 2006/07 promotion-winning campaign.

"Sturrock decided Monkhouse wasn't for him and he was soon snapped up by a certain Danny Wilson at Hartlepool."





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Welcome to this evening's game and we are at the moment in the midst of a heavy programme which will not only test the playing squad to the full but also the endurance and pocket of fans that follow the team everywhere as well as The County Ground.

It is hard to believe that in the middle of the season that Saturday was only our second home game on a Saturday in just over two months. Gone forever it seems are the home one week away the next that was habit, forming the normal agenda for fans not so long ago. I rather suspect very few Premier League clubs despite all their fixture changes have played less on a Saturday during that time.

This busy schedule will unfortunately mean that often the half-time draw results will be delayed beyond the next game and results for tonight and Saturday will be included in the notes for the derby match against Cheltenham.

The postponement of the Southend match was obviously a disappointment to the Club and fans despite the strenuous efforts to get the game on and I would like to add my note of appreciation to every fan that turned up on the Friday and Saturday to help with the snow clearance.

Unfortunately the pitch condition was not deemed fit despite all this

effort, but these days it is not just the pitch that is taken in to account. The authorities outside of the game also insist that the off pitch area both inside and outside the ground are in good enough condition not to cause danger to the public attending

I believe even Arsenal suffered a postponement for that reason. In these days of safety first everything has to be risk assessed and whilst the world has moved on in this direction, I can still recall vividly matches in the past played virtually on rolled snow, with blue lines as pitch markings just to get the game on. Travelling to the game was probably even more hazardous in those days, but they still got played all the same. It's the same I guess with muddy pitches, but the improvement in the surfaces now compared to the '60's is so much better, especially here.

Hopefully snow won't have caused us problems tonight or indeed to those making the long trek from Hartlepool and we wish them all a good and safe trip, but of course still hope Town take the points and with Danny now in charge of the reverse fixture after our 3-3 draw earlier in the season, if we get in front hopefully we can go on and claim that win, we thought we may have achieved up there, when 3-0 up.

Enjoy this evening.
Roger

Looking Back...

This week we feature the League Cup second round tie in season 1960/61 against Shrewsbury which was the very first year of the League Cup competition.

It was brought back to attention by programme collector Ian Canavan who contacted us wishing to purchase the programme and if anyone has it for sale for the 2nd replay at The County Ground on 26th October. If you can help him he is contactable by email at this address Ian.Canavan@xerox.com.

Just for the record, the marathon over 14 days took shape like this:

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Gay Meadow	24th October	2-2 after extra-time
The County Ground	26th October	The second replay, Shrewsbury won 2-0

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Robert Stephenson	1.5
Honor Fraser	1
Maureen & Chris Kirkland	1
Iris Higgs	1
Paul Bartlett	1
Simon Bayliss	1
David Toddington	1
David Johnson	1
Mike Dew	1
Max Johnson	1
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Jerry Walsh	1
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Good evening everyone and welcome to our League One encounter with our Manager Danny Wilson's former employers Hartlepool United.

Our run of matches unbeaten was extended to five on Saturday with the win over Scunthorpe United. Three points this evening could lift us a further three places up the table and we would still have games in hand over some of our rivals. There definitely seems to be a positive buzz around the stadium and there are a lot of smiling faces. To match the smiling faces the voices from the stands are getting positively louder. Congratulations to you the fans for your part in this recession beating turn around here at The County Ground!

I would think that this is a special fixture for Danny and his scouting

review of the opposition could well be done from memory, however I am sure that his homework will have been second to none in this vital League One Clash. A win this evening will mean us leapfrogging above Hartlepool in the table.

A game under floodlights always brings a special atmosphere however the pressure is relentless as we head into March and the serious end of the fixtures. Please keep your loud and proud support for your team going by making **PLENTY OF NOISE FOR THE SWINDON BOYS** for the duration of the game. The result will come and the Town will continue onwards and upwards!

Many thanks for you getting in touch with myself and Shaun concerning your birthday and event requests, they are coming in thick

and fast. Please keep them coming and we have an email account here at the club which is cgfm@swindontownfc.co.uk and of course you can write in or call the club and they will be happy to pass on your request to us.

There are a lot of things happening at the club to mark the 40th anniversary of our League Cup victory over Arsenal, please check through this programme for more details on how to take part.

As ever enjoy the game this evening and remember to keep the noise levels high!

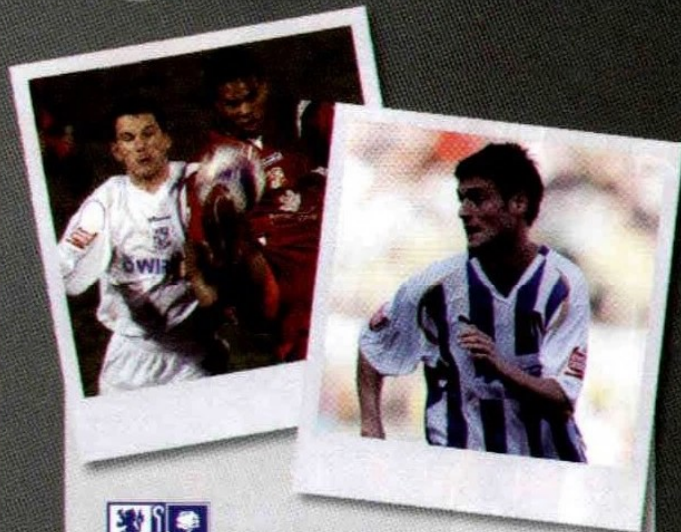
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Stuart and Shaun





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Next up away...



COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE
v Tranmere Rovers
Saturday 28th February,
Kick-Off 3.00pm, Prenton Park

A trip to The Wirral will be Town's final task of the month as The Robins prepare to take on a team with one of the best home records in the division. At the start of the week Tranmere had won ten games at Prenton Park, second only to Leicester's home win tally of eleven.

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Homes Community Stadium

Swindon's first ever trip to the Weston Homes Community Stadium will take place in mid March. Colchester left their Layer Road ground in the summer of 2008 and have lost seven times at their new home already this term. Former Town loanees Mark Yeates and Johnnie Jackson are still part of Paul Lambert's squad.

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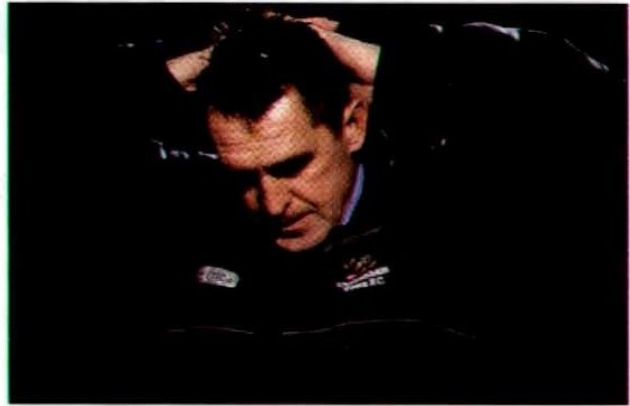
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Next up at home...



COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE

v Cheltenham Town

Tuesday 3rd March,
Kick-Off 7.45pm,
The County Ground

Martin Allen's Robins make the short trip across from Gloucestershire for a crucial derby encounter at the beginning of March. Cheltenham are currently bottom of the division and will be hoping to pick up the points. However, Cheltenham defeated Swindon 2-0 at Whaddon Road earlier in the season so Wilson will be hoping his side can exact revenge.

Matchday Prices: See left.



COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE

v MK Dons

Saturday 7th March,
Kick-Off 3.00pm,
The County Ground

Roberto Di Matteo brings his MK Dons side to The County Ground no doubt looking for revenge after a 2-1 defeat to The Robins earlier in the campaign. The Dons drew 1-1 at Tranmere Rovers on Saturday afternoon, with Swindon set to travel to Prenton Park this weekend to take on Rovers.

Matchday Prices: See left.





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SAT 20 DEC	YEOVIL TOWN	3.00pm	2-3	7072	405	20	G Salisbury				1				S
Fri 26 Dec	Leyton Orient	3.00pm	2-1	4349	532	18	J Singh	S	1						S
SUN 28 DEC	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	3.00pm	0-2	8438	1086	20	O Langford								S
TUE 13 JAN	STOCKPORT COUNTY	7.45pm	1-1	6002	176	18	S Cook	S	1						S
Sat 17 Jan	Huddersfield Town	3.00pm	1-2	13414	298	18	P Gibbs	S							S/19
TUE 27 JAN	WALSALL	7.45pm	3-2	6100	126	19	G Hegley	S			S/3				
Sat 31 Jan	Oldham Athletic	3.00pm	0-0	4712	257	19	S Bratt								S/14
Sat 14 Feb	Leicester City	3.00pm	1-1	19926	1032	20	A Bates	S							
Tue 17 Feb	Millwall	7.45pm	1-1	7,104	351	19	P Miller	S							
SAT 21 FEB	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	3.00pm	4-2	6,852	281	19	C Sarginson	S			1				1
TUE 24 FEB	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	7.45pm	H												
Sat 28 Feb	Tranmere Rovers	3.00pm	A												
TUE 03 MAR	CHELTENHAM TOWN	7.45pm	H												
SAT 07 MAR	MK DONS	3.00pm	H												
Tue 10 Mar	Colchester United	7.45pm	A												
Sat 14 Mar	Leeds United	3.00pm	A												
TUE 17 MAR	SOUTHEND UNITED	7.45pm	H												
SAT 21 MAR	HEREFORD UNITED	3.00pm	H												
Tue 24 Mar	Northampton Town	7.45pm	A												
Sat 28 Mar	Yeovil Town	3.00pm	A												
SAT 04 APR	CREWE ALEXANDRA	3.00pm	H												
Sat 11 Apr	Brighton & Hove Albion	3.00pm	A												
MON 13 APR	LEYTON ORIENT	3.00pm	H												
Sat 18 Apr	Carlisle United	3.00pm	A												
SAT 25 APR	BRISTOL ROVERS	3.00pm	H												
Sat 02 May	Peterborough United	3.00pm	A												

SEASON TICKET FORUM

Wednesday 25th February 2009 - Doors open at 7pm.

Swindon Town Football Club is inviting supporters to assist in the club's 2009/10 Season Ticket initiative. The Club will be holding a Season Ticket forum at The County Ground this Wednesday 25th February 2009.

Chief Executive **Nick Watkins** and Director **Jeremy Wray** will be joined by Box Office Manager **Brian Powell** - with doors opening at 7pm for a 7.30pm start in the **Legends' Lounge**. Fans are asked to come along to suggest ideas and ask questions about the current ticketing initiatives with the club currently planning next season's Season Ticket pricing structure. **300 complimentary tickets** are available for supporters which are now available from the **STFC Box Office**.

- Red block denotes player appearance (green donates goalkeeper). With 1 denotes goal scored.
- S/20 Denotes substitute appearance and player replaced
- S Denotes substitute not used
- P Scored from penalty
- OFF Player sent off
- Opponents own goal

Cox...

The striker thought he had added to his season tally with a second half goal at the weekend, although the goal was ultimately credited to Scunthorpe defender Andrew Wright. No doubt the striker will be looking to add to the three goals he scored against Hartlepool earlier in the season.



League One Table 22.02.09

Club	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	GD
Leicester	33	21	10	2	62	26	73	+36
MK Dons	31	19	4	8	62	34	61	+28
Peterborough	32	16	9	7	58	42	57	+16
Oldham	32	14	12	6	51	39	54	+12
Scunthorpe	30	16	5	9	54	42	53	+12
Millwall	30	15	7	8	40	34	52	+6
Stockport	32	14	9	9	49	36	51	+13
Leeds	32	16	3	13	50	38	51	+12
Tranmere	32	14	7	11	44	38	49	+6
Huddersfield	32	13	8	11	42	46	47	-4
Walsall	32	12	7	13	45	46	43	-1
Colchester	31	12	6	13	43	43	42	0
Southend	31	11	7	13	35	46	40	-11
Bristol Rovers	30	10	9	11	50	43	39	+7
Yeovil	31	9	10	12	31	43	37	-12
Hartlepool	32	9	9	14	46	53	36	-7
Carlisle	31	10	6	15	41	49	36	-8
Northampton	30	8	9	13	40	42	33	-2
Swindon	30	7	12	11	45	51	33	-6
Leyton Orient	32	8	9	15	25	39	33	-14
Brighton	30	7	10	13	34	45	31	-11
Crewe	30	8	4	18	38	61	28	-23
Hereford	30	7	6	17	29	46	27	-17
Cheltenham	30	5	6	19	36	68	21	-32

STFC Player Appearances 2008/2009

	League		Cup		TOTAL				
	GLS	Y/R	GLS	Y/R	GLS	Y/R			
1 Phil Smith	-	14	-	3	-	17			
2 Jack Smith	4	4/0	28	-	5	4	4/0	33	
3 Jamie Vincent	-	1/0	5	-	-	-	1/0	5	
4 Micheal Timlin	2	7/0	24(3)	-	1/0	5	2	8/0	29(3)
5 Jerel Ibi	1	3/0	19	1	-	2	3/0	21	
6 Hasney Aljofree (c)	-	4/0	17(1)	-	2	-	4/0	19(1)	
7 Hal Robson-Kanu	1	-	5	-	-	1	-	5	
8 Craig Easton	2	2/0	12(7)	-	3(1)	2	2/0	15(8)	
9 Barry Corr	1	1/0	2(9)	-	1(2)	1	1/0	3(11)	
10 Jon-Paul McGovern	2	1/0	21(1)	-	4	2	1/0	25(1)	
11 Anthony McNamee	-	-	17(10)	-	3(1)	-	-	20(11)	
12 Peter Brezovan	-	-	16	-	2(1)	-	-	18(1)	
13 Mark Scott	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
14 Patrick Kanyuka	1	3/1	13	-	3	1	3/1	16	
15 Kevin Amankwaah	1	1/0	12(3)	-	2	1	1/0	14(3)	
16 Yinka Casal	-	1/0	4(1)	-	1	-	1/0	5(1)	
17 Lilian Nalis	-	3/0	15(2)	-	2(1)	-	3/0	17(3)	
18 Mark Marshall	-	1/0	0(6)	-	1(2)	-	1/0	1(8)	
19 Michael Pook	-	2/0	11(2)	-	1/0	2	-	3/0	13(2)
20 Billy Paynter	8	1/1	26	1	3(2)	9	1/1	29(2)	
21 Blair Sturrock	-	-	2(7)	-	-	-	-	2(7)	
22 Hamdi Razak	-	1/0	(1)	-	-	-	1/0	(1)	
23 Ben Joyce	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	
24 Chris Allen	-	-	2	-	(1)	-	-	2(1)	
25 Sean Morrison	1	-	11(2)	-	3	1	-	14(2)	
26 Lescinel Jean-Francois	-	-	1/0	-	-	-	-	1/0	
30 Callum Kennedy	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	
31 Simon Cox	16	5/0	29	3	2/0	5	19	7/0	34
32 Lee Peacock	2	2/0	17(7)	1	2(2)	3	2/0	19(9)	
33 Gordon Greer	-	1/0	4	-	-	-	1/0	4	

Important information:

In the event of an emergency at The County Ground you will hear a police message over the public address system. It will be preceded by a loud 'alarm' sound. Please remain where you are, listen to the message, and if it affects your area of the stadium, comply with the instruction immediately. These will direct you to a safe area, through exit gates and doors into car parks, roads or the pitch area. If you are disabled or feel unsafe in a large crowd, please remain where you are until the stewards assist you to leave. Above all, REMAIN CALM and DO NOT MOVE unless the announcement concerns your area of the stadium.

Player	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33		
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Lambert...

The Bristol Rovers front man came off the bench at half-time on Saturday to take on table-toppers Leicester City. Lambert was denied his 22nd goal of the season with a penalty save from Mark Bunn, on loan from Blackburn Rovers. Leicester took all three points with Matty Fryatt scoring the winner.

Match Officials

Swindon Town vs
Hartlepool United
Tuesday 24th February 2009
Kick-Off 7.45pm

Referee: A R Hall
Assistant 1: A A Laver
Assistant 2: S D Lewis
Fourth Official: M Philpott

League One Fixtures: 24.02.09

Brighton & HA vs Northampton Town
Cheltenham Town vs Millwall
Colchester United vs Stockport County
Crewe Alexandra vs Yeovil Town
Oldham Athletic vs Bristol Rovers
Peterborough United vs Carlisle United
Southend United vs Scunthorpe United
Swindon Town vs Hartlepool United

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Danny Wilson

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Chris Turner

- 1 Jan Budtz
- 2 Jamie McCunnie
- 3 Ritchie Humphreys
- 4 Willie Boland
- 5 Michael Nelson
- 6 Sam Collins
- 7 Gary Liddle
- 8 Ritchie Jones
- 10 Joel Porter
- 11 Andy Monkhouse
- 12 Ben Clark
- 14 James Brown
- 15 Antony Sweeney
- 16 Alan Power
- 17 David Foley
- 18 Michael Mackay
- 19 Matty Robson
- 20 Daniel Nardiello
- 21 Arran Lee-Barrett
- 22 Jonny Rowell
- 23 Rune Lange
- 24 Martin Young
- 26 Matty Tymon
- 27 Joe Tait
- 28 Lewis Guy
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