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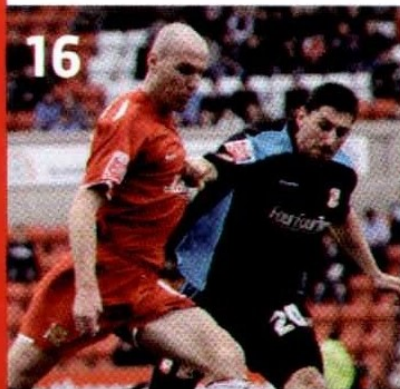
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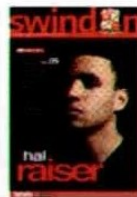
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# danny WILSON

Good evening and welcome back to The County Ground for what is the first of two home games this week. Tonight's visitors are Southend United and I would like to welcome Steve Tilson, his staff, players and directors and supporters along for the game.

**This evening's game is the first of five remaining at home this season.**

There are now a block of games coming up that we have to get something out of. The Leeds game would have been bonus time if we could have taken something there, but these home games will be crucially important. Against MK Dons we tortured them and only came away with a point, and also took points at Leicester and Millwall.

There are now ten games to go and there are several teams who could get dragged into the relegation fight, but we are ready for it. The thing we have to do is put teams away and that is something that we haven't done of late. When we create chances, they have to be put away. The first win will be the most important and if we can get that against Southend this evening then that would be a great tonic for us.

Southend United have shown a fantastic run of form and a few weeks ago they may have been looking over their shoulders, but have now risen to the brink of the play-offs. Things change from week to week and as Southend have shown, a few back to back wins can really change things



around. Teams in this league always have something up their sleeves and we have to be mindful of that. If we are on top of our game then we can cause those teams problems too.

The final ten games of the season are now upon us and the players have shown over recent weeks that they are committed to the cause. Anybody who thinks that they can just walk out there and go through the motions will have a shock though. From a Management point of view what we have to make sure that the lads are fully understanding of the situation that we are in. Ranting and raving won't help that. More than anything

there has to be a clear attitude so the players know what is required of them.

We must be positive but we will be prepared to go the distance should that be required. The main thing is to get that first win under our belts as soon as possible – starting this evening against Southend United.

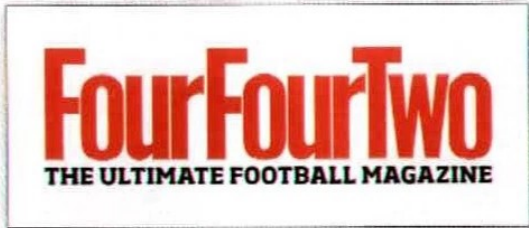
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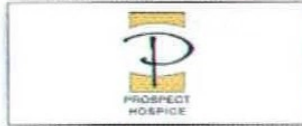
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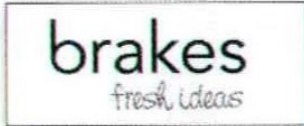
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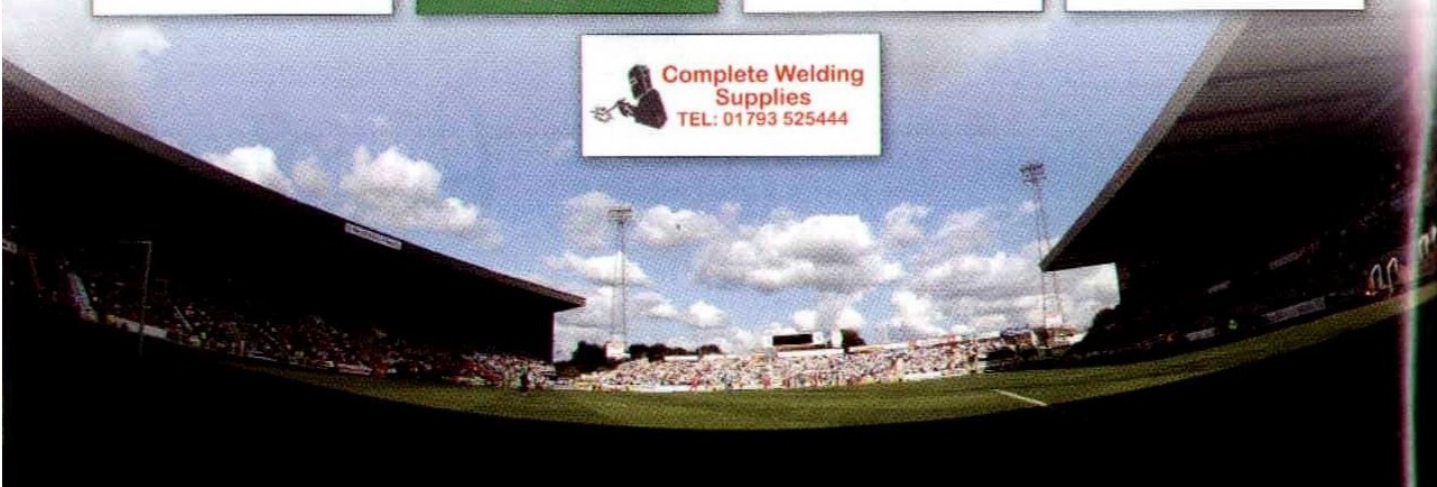
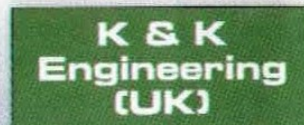
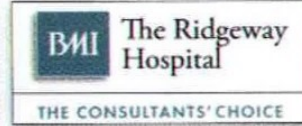


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## Gordon GREER

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



**Losing to such a late goal at Elland Road on Saturday was absolutely gutting, but we must now turn our attentions to registering three points against Southend tonight.**

Leeds away was always going to be a tough game but I thought we kept them quiet for the majority of the game. For 86 minutes we defended well but were undone at the end with the late goal. A lot was made before the game of the likes of Beckford and Becchio, but those two were not the only threats in their side as they have good players throughout their team. It was gutting to concede so late, but we can take heart from the performance. There are a few younger lads in our side and they did really well too. Elland Road can be a daunting place to go to, but

the lads came through the test.

In terms of the way the team is being set up you can see from the performances that the Manager is keen for us to make opportunities. With the likes of Hal Robson-Kanu and Anthony McNamee on the flanks then there will always be crosses going into the box and that's great to see. The midfielders have been chipping in with goals too and the load will have to be shared if we are going to pull away from the position we are in.

Tonight is the first of two home games we have this week. Southend are a solid side and did well last year as they made the end of season play-offs. They have decent players in their side with Barnard and Robinson two that we

will have to keep a close eye on this evening.

We are back at home this evening and hopefully we can put on a performance for our own supporters and get the win that we need. A win here tonight could provide the spark that we need to go on a run, which could be another victory against Hereford United at the weekend.

Six points from two games would be a tremendous return, but that's what we have to strive for.

Enjoy the game.



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## notes from the **BOARDROOM**

Chief Executive, Nick Watkins >>

**“Your view of the valley is conditioned by the hill upon which you choose to stand.”**



**Good evening! Welcome back to The County Ground for tonight's re-arranged fixture with Southend United, with the February snows having played havoc with the original Saturday fixture. However, better late than never and so we are delighted to open our doors to the Shrimpers, their management players and supporters.**

As I prepare these Board Room notes I am not long back from Saturday's visit to Leeds United. Regrettably returning empty handed, having seen what would have been a well-earned draw, once more snatched away in the dying minutes of an excellent game. If football was played over 85 minutes

and not 90, then we would be in the top half of the league. Even to walk away with one solitary point from Elland Road would have been extremely valuable as we strive to pull ourselves out of the relegation zone. The players gave their all and neither the commitment nor the passion was in doubt.

They conquer who they believe they can - and the Reds remain confident that they can conquer much of that which lies ahead of them and secure League One football for next season. As always, your support will be critical in these remaining ten fixtures, just as was the fantastic support from those 819 fans that joined me at Elland Road on Saturday. Thank you for

making the effort.

On the subject of conquering, a truly excellent evening took place in the Legend's Lounge a week past Sunday, when over 210 people gathered for the Silverware Dinner to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the 1969 League Cup win. The evening, expertly compeered by Shaun Hodgetts and Dickie Davis, saw nine members of the 1969 winning side being introduced to the guests and vividly recounting their memories of that special Wembley day all those years ago. Ten members of the current 1st team squad attended and spent some considerable time in the company of the Legends, no doubt exchanging thoughts on the way things used to be and they way things are now. Danny Williams, the legendary manager explained that his strategy was to train the team to play flat out for a full two hours, in the event of extra-time. There might just be a lesson there, given our 89th minute bogey this season!

The Chairman, very ably supported by Jeremy Wray, gave all those attending a lesson in the art of auctioneering and skilfully managed to persuade Lee Peacock to pay £100 for a £10 note, as well as generating a further £3,400 in auction proceeds. A sincere thank you to Arsenal FC and Bob Wilson.

Tonight affords me the opportunity to introduce Owain Tudor Jones to the County Ground, having joined STFC last week on loan from Swansea City FC. He joins Gordon Greer and Hal Robson Kanu as the third loan musketeer and Owain, you are most welcome, "croeso". Congratulations are due to Hal Robson Kanu on his inclusion in the England U20 squad.

The Football League 2008/09 Awards Dinner is to be held in London on March 29th and Swindon Town has been nominated for an award in the "Family Club of the Year" category. Our nomination in this category is due to the hard work put in by the likes of Adam Wainwright and Mark Isaacs. We will let you know if we win.

Best Wishes.  
**Nicholas Watkins**



# stfc news in brief

## STFC GOLF DAY AT BOWOOD

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**Swindon Town Football Club will be staging a Golf Day on Wednesday 30th April 2009.**

The event will take place at Bowood Golf and Country Club on the stunning championship golf course which was voted among the top ten new courses in Britain and top fifty golf destinations in Europe by Golf World Magazine, Bowood boasts one of the finest 18 hole courses in the South of England.

Included in the price is coffee and bacon butties on arrival, 18 holes of golf, pre-dinner drinks and a two-course dinner with coffee.

The price for a team of four is £195 plus VAT. Teams do have the option of selecting an STFC first team player as their fourth golfer.

For more details or to book your team's place, please call the STFC Marketing Department on **0844 880 1094**.



## RED ARMY FUND DONATION

**Town Chief Executive Nick Watkins accepted a cheque from Trust STFC on behalf of STFC at the recent home game with MK Dons.**

The Red Army Fund stepped in to pay for Gordon Greer's two-month loan extension, with the defender signing a deal which will make him available up to and including the home game with Bristol Rovers on Saturday 25th April 2009.

Greer has been a consistent performer for The Robins after joining on an initial one month loan



this kind of support possible.

Hopefully Gordon can continue to perform as well as he has to date and help the team to climb the league table.

"If you would like to know more about the Red Army fund see the TrustSTFC website or call into the Trust office on a matchday."

## CROSSBAR CHALLENGE!

**STFC will soon be featuring on the Sky Sports Soccer Am Crossbar challenge, but Town already have a winner in the ranks!**

On-loan defender Gordon Greer took up the challenge as a Doncaster player back in September – and struck gold! GG was one of three Rovers players to hit the bar on the day, and the video can now be viewed online at Skysports.com



## STFC BALL BOYS & GIRLS



**Town Assistant Manager David Byrne has been named as mentor to the club's ball boys and girls.**

The Club recently announced The Richman Consultancy as the new sponsors of the STFC Ball boys and children aged between ten and fourteen can now apply to become a ball boy and the initiative will run through Schools in and around Swindon.

Each school in turn will be requested to put forward names to take part in a home game, becoming an integral part of the matchday

excitement at The County Ground. The day will start with on pitch activity along side the Robinettes and Rockin' Robin.

Byrne has been playing his part by meeting the ball boys and girls, explaining just how important a role the children can play on a matchday.

If your school is interested in providing or becoming part of the STFC matchday experience by submitting pupils to become a ball boy or girl then please email [amanda@swindontownfc.co.uk](mailto:amanda@swindontownfc.co.uk).

## IN THE NEWS

Former Yeovil boss Russell Slade made a fine start to his new Managerial position at **Brighton & Hove Albion**. The Seagulls hit five goals at home on Saturday – against **Yeovil** with Dean Cox and Nicky Forster both netting a brace.

**Cheltenham Town** were 2-0 winners over **Hartlepool United** with The Robins registering their first home win of 2009 thanks to goals from Elvis Hammond and Nicholas Bignall.



A Steve Howard goal secured **Leicester City** three points against **Millwall** with fellow promotion-chasers

**Peterborough** also enjoying success, as they beat **Northampton Town**. **MK Dons** hit six against **Oldham Athletic**, who have named Joe Royle as their new boss following the Sunday departure of John Sheridan.



**Scunthorpe United** battled back from a goal down to secure a 1-1 draw at **Carlisle United** whilst **Tranmere Rovers** made it two wins in

a week with a 3-1 victory over **Huddersfield Town**.

**Southend United** registered another win, with a late Theo Robinson penalty securing three points against **Hereford United**. **Stockport County** went down to a narrow defeat to **Leyton Orient** whilst **Crewe Alexandra** continued their impressive run with a 1-0 win over **Colchester United**.

**Bristol Rovers** hit five goals to secure a 5-0 win over **Walsall** with Darryl Duffy and Aaron Lescott both scoring twice.

## STFC WORLD...

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**MON 9 MAR:** New loan signing Owain Tudur Jones gave his first interview after

signing to STFC World.



**THURS 12 MAR:** Highlights of Tuesday night's trip to Colchester are available online

for STFC World subscribers.



**TUE 10 MAR:** Danny Wilson offered his pre-match views ahead of the trip to Colchester United in League One.

Colchester United in League One.



**FRI 13 MAR:** Winger Anthony McNamee spoke to STFC World ahead of the trip to Elland Road on Saturday afternoon..

Road on Saturday afternoon..



**WED 11 MAR:** After defeat against The U's the Gaffer spoke to STFC World with his post-match assessment of the game.

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To see all the coverage from the week, including highlights from **Tranmere Rovers** and **Cheltenham Town**, then why not subscribe to **STFC World** for only 99p for 4 days (see the official club website for terms and conditions).



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## The package comprises of:

- Meet members of the Swindon Town FC first team squad
- The opportunity to play alongside a Swindon Town player
- Coffee and bacon butties on arrival
- 18 holes of golf
- Two-course dinner with coffee.

**The price for a team of four is £195 plus VAT.**

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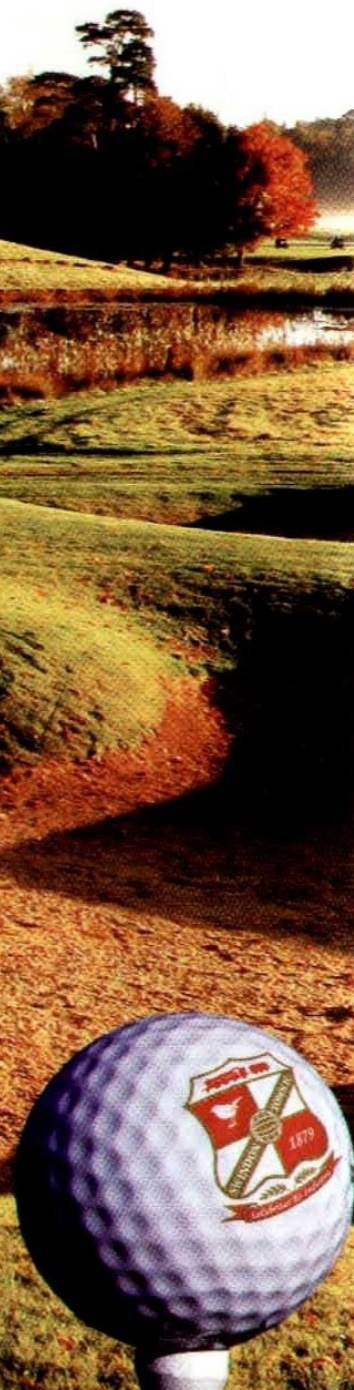


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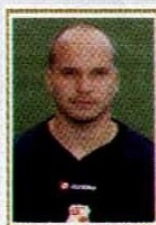
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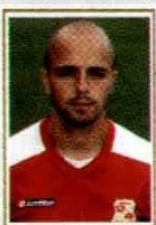


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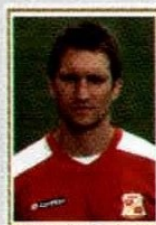


**Jack Smith 02**

Defender

H: Chris Newland

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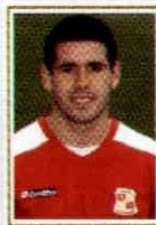


**Jamie Vincent 03**

Defender

H: STFC Disabled Supporters Group

A: Cliff Puffett

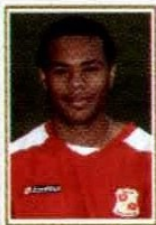


**Michael Timlin 04**

Midfielder

H: Michelle Powell Lamb  
Building Chambers

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**Jerel Ifil 05**

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A: Tyco Electronics

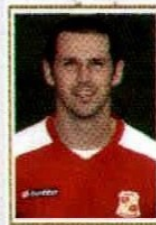


**Hasney Aljofree 06**

Defender

H: Keith Lewis - Singapore

A: Available for Sponsorship



**Craig Easton 08**

Midfielder

H: RJ Osman Motor Vehicle  
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A: Bill Dolman

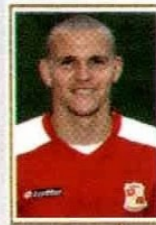


**Barry Corr 09**

Striker

H: Divorce Online

A: Laura Clargo

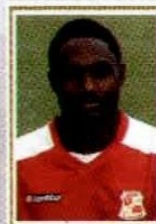


**Jon-Paul McGovern 10**

Midfielder

H: Simon Florey & Son  
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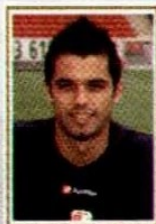


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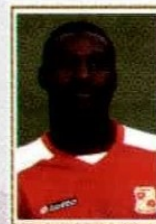


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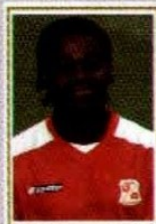


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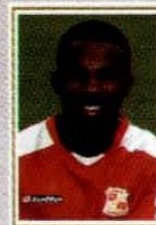


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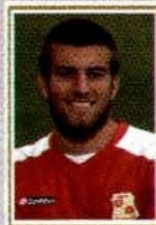


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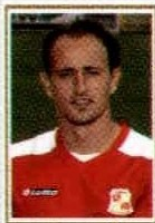
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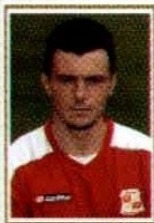


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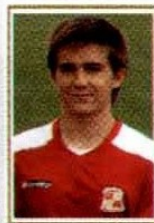


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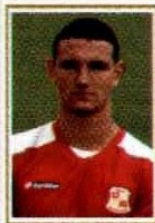


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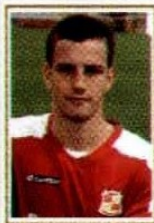


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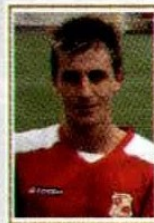


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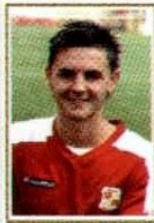


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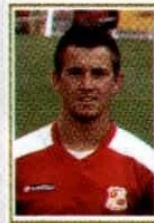


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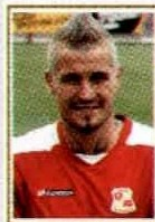


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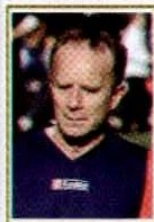


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# SWINDON TOWN 1 MK DONS 1

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## KEY MOMENTS

**18 MIN** Town take the lead with a superb cross from the left by Anthony McNamee headed home by Billy Paynter at the far post.



**27 MIN** Jude Stirling's long throw causes confusion in the Town box with the ball eventually poked home by Aaron Wilbraham.



**31 MIN** Swindon come close to regaining the lead when Sean Morrison's powerful header is cleared off the line by former Town Captain Sean O'Hanlon.



**35 MIN** Simon Cox connects with a Hal Robson-Kanu cross but his close range effort crashes off the crossbar as the Dons escape.



**66 MIN** Another fine chance came Swindon's way. Billy Paynter crosses the ball over to Hal Robson-Kanu but the loanee sees his header palmed away by visiting stopper Willy Gueret.



**86 MIN** MK Dons are reduced to ten men with Dean Lewington receiving his second yellow card after bringing down Town substitute Mark Marshall.







Swindon Town took a point from the last home clash against MK Dons, with Billy Paynter scoring his tenth goal of the campaign with Dean Lewington sent off for Di Matteo's promotion-chasing visitors.

Town made two changes for the game with Sean Morrison and Lilian Nalis replacing Jerel Ifil and Jack Smith, who missed the game through injury. Kevin Amankwaah moved to right-back with Nalis partnering Michael Timlin in the heart of the midfield.

The Robins made a bright start to the encounter and created chances throughout, with Simon Cox and Billy Paynter both hitting the woodwork during the course of a pulsating ninety minutes.

Speaking after the game, Manager Danny Wilson was enthused by the performance of his side. "It was a great effort and we certainly created chances, hitting the woodwork and making their keeper work. Unfortunately it was one point, not all three."



# Action replay



## 07.03.09



### SQUAD

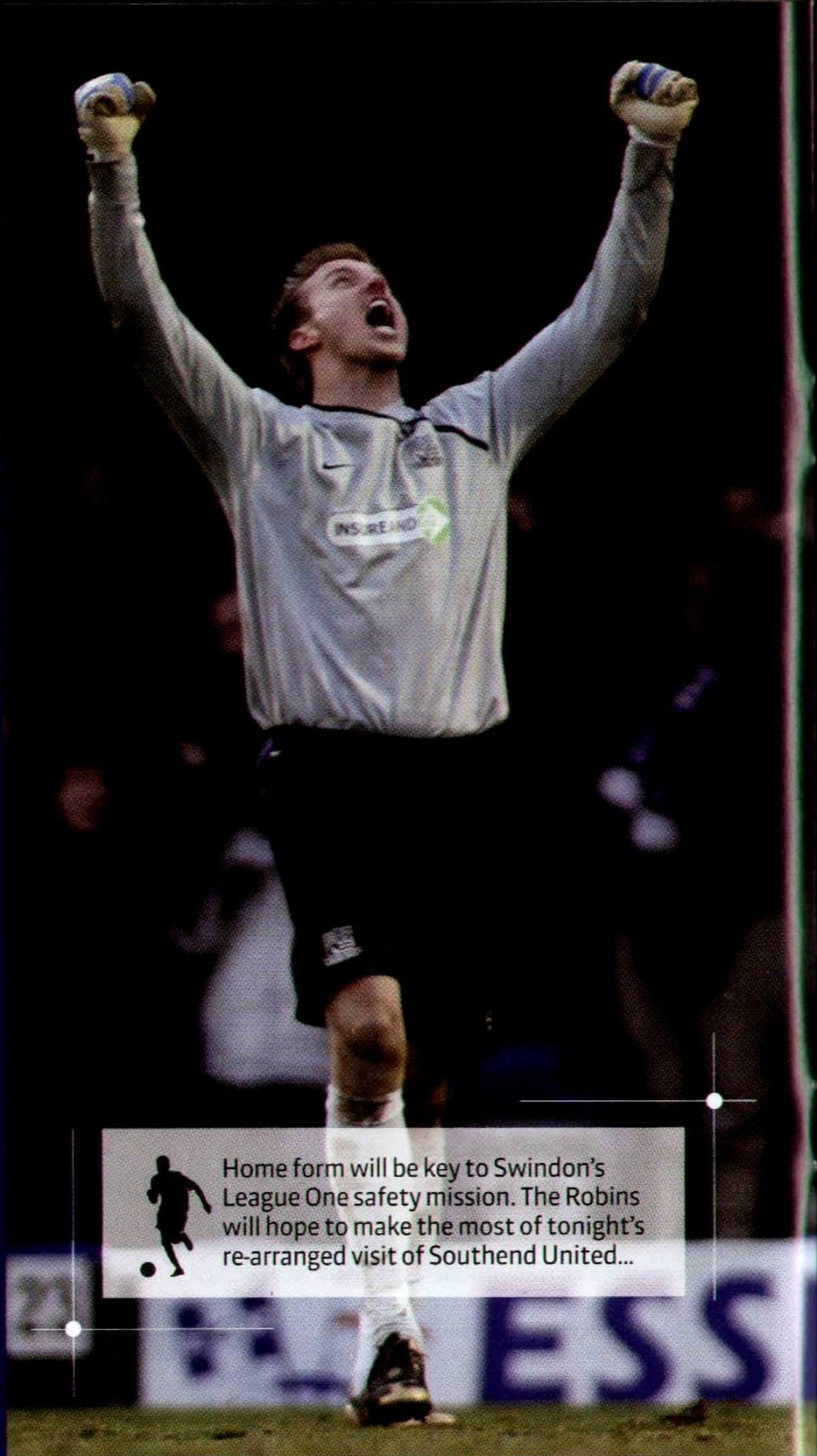
**Swindon Town:** Peter Brezovan; Kevin Amankwaah, Sean Morrison (Ifil '82), Gordon Greer (Capt), Jamie Vincent; Hal Robson-Kanu, Michael Timlin, Lilian Nalis, Anthony McNamee (Marshall '75); Billy Paynter, Simon Cox.

**Substitutes not used:** Phil Smith, Blair Sturrock, Hamdi Razak.



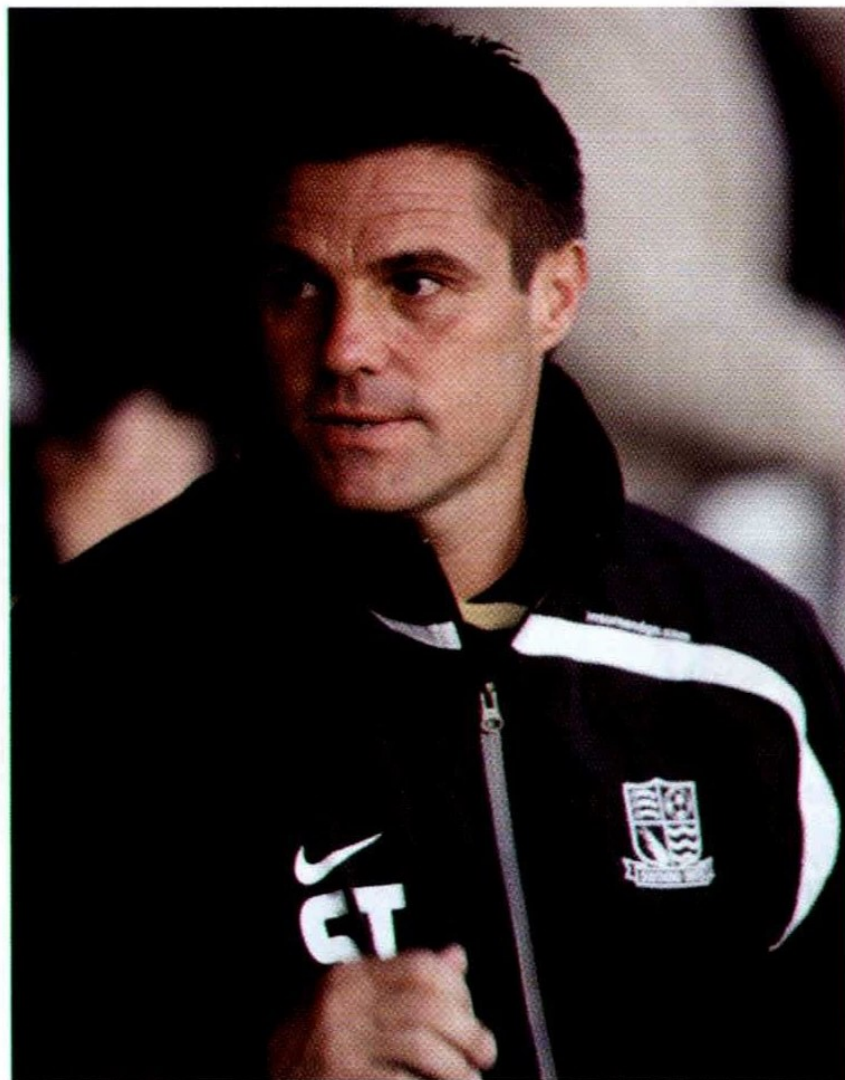
# swindon town v southend united

League 1: 17/03/09



Home form will be key to Swindon's League One safety mission. The Robins will hope to make the most of tonight's re-arranged visit of Southend United...





## Steve TILSON

Having played for Southend United as a player, Steve Tilson rejoined The Blues as director of the club's up-and-coming youth academy; meanwhile his playing career continued to bloom, leading Canvey Island to FA Trophy victory at Villa Park against Forest Green Rovers in May 2001.

His long overdue testimonial was granted in March 2003 with a match against an England XI.

Eight months later he took over as Southend United manager from Steve Wignall and would make an even greater contribution to the club's history. In his first season, he guided the team to its first ever major final, although the LDV Trophy final was lost to Blackpool. The following season the side were again

beaten finalists in the LDV Trophy to Wrexham, but returned to Cardiff for the play-off final against Lincoln City. This time the side triumphed and promotion to League One was achieved. Instead of settling for stability after seven years in the basement, Tilson's men stormed to the League One championship in a tremendous season.

This gave Tilson the unique achievement of consecutive promotions as a player and a manager with the same club. Although the first season back in the Championship ended in relegation, Tilson once again made history for the club by masterminding their greatest ever victory, against Manchester United in the Carling Cup.

### Last Six in League One...

<b>14/3/09</b>	Hereford United	0
	<b>Southend United</b>	1
<b>10/3/09</b>	Brighton & Hove Albion	1
	<b>Southend United</b>	3
<b>7/3/09</b>	<b>Southend United</b>	2
	Walsall	0
<b>3/3/09</b>	<b>Southend United</b>	0
	Millwall	1
<b>28/2/09</b>	Peterborough United	1
	<b>Southend United</b>	2
<b>24/2/09</b>	<b>Southend United</b>	2
	Scunthorpe United	0

### Town's last six vs Shrimpers

<b>18/10/08</b>	Southend United	2
	<b>Swindon Town</b>	1
<b>24/3/08</b>	<b>Swindon Town</b>	0
	Southend United	1
<b>8/12/07</b>	Southend United	2
	<b>Swindon Town</b>	1
<b>21/1/06</b>	Southend United	2
	<b>Swindon Town</b>	0
<b>10/9/05</b>	<b>Swindon Town</b>	1
	Southend United	2
<b>25/1/05</b>	Southend United	2
	<b>Swindon Town</b>	0

### Town's record vs Shrimpers

	Swindon wins	draws	Southend wins
League	41	24	36
FA Cup	1	0	1
League Cup	2	0	0
Other	1	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>39</b>



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**Manager** Steve Tilson

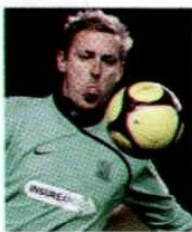
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## SQUAD

- 1 Steve Mildenhall
- 2 Simon Francis
- 4 Dorian Dervite
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- 6 Adam Barrett
- 7 Anthony Grant
- 8 Alan McCormack
- 9 Lee Barnard
- 10 James Walker
- 11 Alex Revell
- 12 Damian Scannell
- 14 Franck Moussa
- 15 Osei Sankofa
- 16 Dougie Freedman
- 17 Theo Robinson
- 18 Johnny Herd
- 19 Charles Ademeno
- 20 Jean-Francois Christophe
- 21 Kevin Betsy
- 24 Ian Joyce
- 25 Clark Masters
- 26 Francis Laurent
- 27 Peggy Lokando
- 29 Paul Furlong
- 30 Stuart O'Keefe
- 43 David Marrable



### Steve Mildenhall

Mildenhall became Southend's first signing of the summer. The former Town

stopper, 30, arrived at Roots Hall from Yeovil Town on a free-transfer having put pen-to-paper on a three-year contract. Mildenhall measures in at a massive 6' 6" and made 85 appearances for the Glovers, including a League One play-off final defeat at Wembley 12 months ago.

### Peter Clarke

Clarke signed a three-year contract with Southend just three days ahead of the Championship season when he moved for an undisclosed fee from Blackpool. The 26-year-old central defender was a real fans favourite at Bloomfield Road where he captained the side and was named their player of the year in the 2004/05 season.

### Osei Sankofa

Southend United completed the signing of former Charlton Athletic defender Osei Sankofa on a free transfer in the summer. Sankofa, 23, was released by the Championship side at the end of last season and moved to Roots Hall on a two-year deal. He was once red carded at The County Ground whilst on loan at Bristol City.

### Simon Francis

Joined Southend for an undisclosed fee from Sheffield United in 2006 and has established himself as a regular member of the defence. Having signed for the Blades for £200,000 from Bradford City, Francis failed to cement a first team place at Bramall Lane.

# in town

A loan move to Grimsby Town in 2005 was then followed up by another temporary spell at Tranmere.

### Franck Moussa

Belgium Under 18 international cap Moussa is aiming for a big future at the club. The 2006/07 season was a big success for the slightly built playmaker, who joined in 2005 after he was released by West Ham, as he really came to the fore in the under-18 youth team.

### Kevin Betsy

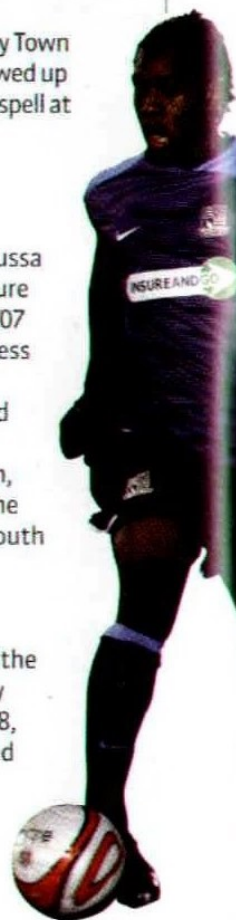
Southend completed the signing of Kevin Betsy in the summer of 2008, after the winger joined from Bristol City for a nominal fee. The 30-year-old signed a two-year contract, as the Blues fought off competition from League One rivals Swindon Town and Cheltenham Town to secure the signature of the versatile midfielder.

### Lee Barnard

Once a transfer target of former Town boss Andy King, Lee Barnard has settled into life at Roots Hall after joining from Tottenham Hotspur in January 2008 for an undisclosed fee. The striker has hit 14 goals in 26 starts for The Blues so far and will be looking to add to the tally this afternoon.

### Dorian Dervitte

Currently on loan from Tottenham Hotspur, the defender has Captained Clive Allen's Spurs reserve side for much of the current campaign. His performances earned places on the First Team bench for UEFA Cup games with Dinamo Zagreb and Spartak Moscow.



# Theo ROBINSON

Joined The Blues on loan from Watford in January 2009 and has made a big impact already.

Birmingham-born Theo Robinson burst on to the scene for Watford in the latter stages of the 2005/06 promotion campaign, after impressing in action for both the reserve and Academy sides - the highlight of his second-string season coming when he scored a hat-trick against Portsmouth in late-March.

Ex-boss Aidy Boothroyd continued to place his faith in youth throughout the season and Robinson's chance came in April 2006, when used as a playing substitute against near neighbours QPR in a 2-1 win. A fast-paced, skilful centre-forward who's never short of confidence, Robinson's first touch at Loftus Road was an audacious overhead kick, which only narrowly missed the net.

Robinson signed his first pro deal with the club in February 2007 before being loaned out to neighbours Wealdstone during the later stages of the 2006/07 season and he had no problem in regularly finding the back of the net for the non-league side.

His development continued in 2007/08 on loan at Hereford United, along with fellow Hornet Toumani Diagouraga. After a brilliant spell there which saw him net 16 goals with the Bulls, Theo is now banging in the goals in Southend colours.

## Previous Clubs

### Southend

23.01.2009 - Present

### Hereford (loan)

08.08.2007 - 04.05.2008

### Wealdstone (loan)

01.01.2007 - 28.05.2007

### Watford

01.07.2005 - 23.01.2008

## did you know?

Swindon Town loanee **Hal Robson-Kanu** has had two extended loan spells with tonight's opponents Southend United. He first joined The Roots Hall club in January 2008 and made eight appearances - scoring three goals - for The Blues. A second stint as a Shrimpers followed earlier this season with a 14 game loan spell from August - November 2008.

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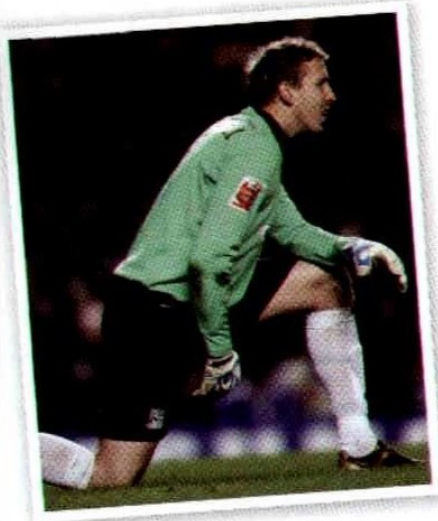
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# CG RETURN

## STEVE MILDENHALL



Former Town keeper Steve Mildenhall is looking forward to a return to his former club this afternoon as he aims to clear up some 'unfinished business' at The County Ground.

Mildenhall, now 30, made 33 league appearances for The Robins before a surprise £150,000 switch to Notts County in the summer of 2001. We caught up with 'Mildy' ahead of tonight's League One clash...

**You came up through the ranks at STFC, what was life like back then?**

It was really good. John Trollope was the youth team coach back then and we had some hard, but enjoyable times. He was a hard taskmaster but he gave you a really good grounding not only in football, but as a person as well. I have nothing but respect for him.

**And you then got a chance as a pro here...**

We were sat down and got told who was being kept on and it was a hard time, but thankfully things worked out. It's a day I will always remember. For those that weren't taken on it was a really difficult time.

I was there under a few different managers and had a few games here and there but never really got a proper run in the side until Andy King took over as manager. Unfortunately that was then the last year I was at the club because I was sold pretty soon after!

**It was certainly a surprise to see you move away...**

Definitely, it was a surprise for the fans and a surprise for me! I signed my contract at eleven in the morning and was then sold that afternoon. At the end of the day the club wanted to sell me and I had to move on.

A small part of me still thinks I have some unfinished business at Swindon because I never really got an extended run in the side. That's football.

**You have been back to Swindon a few times haven't you...**

I came back with Notts County twice and got beaten quite heavily, so we won't talk about those ones! Last season I came back with Yeovil and we managed to win one nil in front of the Sky Sports cameras so that was a bit more memorable.

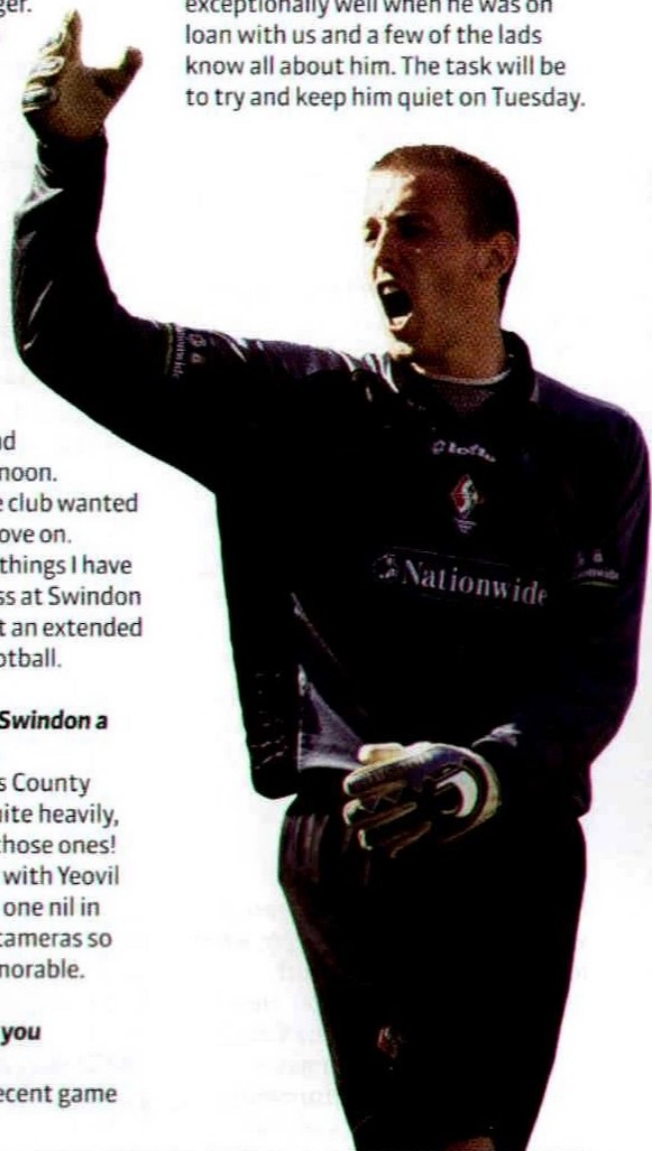
**What sort of game are you expecting?**

It should make for a decent game

of football as both teams like to get the ball down and play. Swindon need the points, as do we, and I am sure both sides won't want to give anything away.

**Tuesday will also see you come up against a former team-mate in Hal Robson-Kanu...**

Hal did really well when he was here. He is a good winger and did exceptionally well when he was on loan with us and a few of the lads know all about him. The task will be to try and keep him quiet on Tuesday.





After two previous loan spells with The Blues, today's visitors will know all about the skills boasted by winger **Hal Robson-Kanu...**

Words: Nick Judd  
Pictures: Lawrence Smith



# HAPPY FEET

**Have you enjoyed your spell here so far?**

It's been a really good experience. The lads have all been really welcoming, so I'm pleased with the way things have gone.

**What were your first impressions of the club?**

Well, coming from a really well-run club at Reading, I can see similarities here. To me, Swindon seems to be going in the right direction, with a good backroom staff and a good bunch of players.

**You came straight into the side for the win against Walsall, was that difficult?**

It wasn't that hard. I trained the day before the game and tried to get to know the lads as much as possible, but that stems from the manager and he was excellent in helping me to get to know everyone.

**Danny Wilson has been pleased with your contribution so far, what has he been like to play for?**

He's a very good manager. He has a lot of experience and he's made it clear that winning games is his priority; he's been drumming

that into the players. He gets his message across very well.

**Who's impressed you so far in the team?**

The whole team has done well. In the games I've been here we've shown two sides to our character; against Walsall we played some great football and won well, despite the tense finish, and against Oldham we ground at a fantastic result against a very good team. It's all about consistency and that's what the manager is trying to achieve. We played well at Leeds, but were undone at the end by a late goal. That's what we will have to stop.

**DW says the team is in good spirits...**

They're a really decent bunch of lads. A lot of the players possess good qualities and I think once we get a few results and achieve the level of consistency we want, we'll be okay. The guys at the back, Gordon Greer and Jamie Vincent have brought a lot of experience and steadied the ship.

**What did you make of Simon Cox's goal against Walsall, and how**

**well did you know him from your Reading days?**

I played with him a few times, but he was a bit older than me. It was a great goal – typical of the skill he has in his locker – and we just hope he continues putting them away!

**How do you feel you've played so far?**

I'm really pleased. I feel I've done my job well. I think you saw against Walsall that I like to go forward and take players on. I have managed to get a couple of goals since then, but now the focus turns to today's game...

**... where you'll come up against some familiar faces against a Southend side you've played for on loan, did you enjoy your spell there?**

I did, and they're also a decent team. Right now, though, my focus is on Swindon and getting a result for us.

**Who should we keep an eye on this afternoon?**

Striker Dougie Freedman is a very consistent player when it comes to scoring goals. He's come back from injury and will be a threat for them.









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**Gordon Greer**

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# JUNIOR ROBINS

Hello everyone and a warm welcome to the Junior Blues that have made the trip to The County Ground this evening.

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Any queries please contact Sharon on 0777 6207 655 / 01793 527 470 or email shazfranklin@aol.com

## QUE SERA, SERA...

Just over a week ago some of the Junior Robins had a tour around Wembley Stadium. We had a great day. The tour guide was really good, telling us lots of different facts about the stadium and showing us all around, inside and out. Although it was great seeing behind the scenes of our national arena I think we were all blown away about how fantastic it is to come out into the stands and see how huge the stadium is. It can hold 90,000 people, and there are 2,618 toilets! The pitch is in the same place as before when the old Wembley was there, but the pitch is 4metres lower than the original.

It was a good day for all; I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did and I'm sure we will all be dreaming about when we can see a game there!



## MEET THE PLAYERS

We will be holding a Junior Robins Meet the Players evening at The County Ground on Thursday 26th March. This will be held in the Members Suite and starting at 6.30pm. Please contact me if you are interested in coming along to this. This is a great opportunity to meet some players, have your pictures taken with them and get their autographs. You can also ask them any questions you have been itching to ask.

## ALBION BOUND

I am now taking bookings for the trip to Brighton & Hove Albion over the Easter weekend on Saturday 11th April. The costs for this are just £15 for Junior Robins and £20 for adults, which is the same as last year. The coach will be leaving from The County Ground at 10.00am. Please contact me if you are interested in coming along. I can only book you on once I have full payment. Hopefully

it will be better weather than last season when we went there.

## THANK YOU

I would like to send a thank you to Ben Madley, who has been one of our ball boys here for the last two seasons. Ben has been a valuable member of the team of ball boys and girls. He has very much enjoyed being close to the action on the touchline and was really pleased to get Nicho's shirt at the end of last season. His favourite player was 'Super Sam' and is now Kevin Amankwaah. Ben is leaving the team of ball boys, but will still be supporting Swindon Town through thick and thin!



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

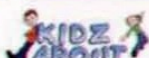
Many thanks Sharon

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to William Biddle - everyone at the Club hopes you have a great birthday.



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# A classic encounter



Words: Dave Wallis Picture: Dave Evans

Final Score: Swindon Town 6 Southend United 1

October 22nd 2002  
LDV Vans Trophy 1st round  
The County Ground.

A first round LDV Vans Trophy match rarely produces a game with great consequence, but when Southend visited The County Ground in October 2002 Town's manager was under some pressure. As they so often have been.

Having started the Division Two season with a 3-1 opening day win over Barnsley compliments of a debut-making Sam Parkin hat trick, a win at Chesterfield gave Town maximum points after two games. But by the time The Shrimpers came to town on Tuesday 22nd October, we had taken just five points from the next 24.

Not unexpectedly for a club with just one win in twelve attempts, we sat in the bottom four and in danger of the drop to the basement division.

And it was in Division Three that our visitors were competing, and somewhat more successfully than we were managing. Fourteen games into the season, ex-Bristol City man Rob Newman's side sat eighth, having twice managed three consecutive wins, and a promotion push looked on the cards.

After ten minutes Town's Jonnie Jackson, a loan signing from Tottenham, opened the scoring, but midway through the first period, veteran striker Graeme Jones struck an equaliser past Bart Griemink for Southend.

Twenty minutes before halftime another loan man, this one winger Jimmy Davis from Manchester United, restored our lead and when Matt Heywood made it 3-1 just before the break the breathing space produced some relieved sighs in the Town stands.



Super Sam: Sam Parkin battles for the ball

**“As supporters started to head home, both Stefani Miglioranzi and Sam Parkin hit goals to take the final score to 6-1.”**

And nowhere more so than at the back of the Arkells Stand hospitality area, where manager Andy King regularly chose to watch matches.

The press had been rife with rumour that King was about to be replaced at the Swindon helm, and the appearances of Colin Calderwood and Stuart Pearce at recent County Ground matches had stoked the fire at the rumour mill.

But it was reported that former Manchester City, Barnsley and Bournemouth manager Mel Machin had been offered the chance to take the helm at The County Ground, and it was his procrastination that had seen King still in charge on the evening.

Four minutes into the second half Danny Invincibile increased Town's

lead, and as supporters started to head home, both Stefani Miglioranzi and Sam Parkin hit goals to take the final score to 6-1 to Town.

Andy King's future continued to be the subject of speculation, but as the days passed and Machin failed to be installed in the manager's office, Town launched into an eight match unbeaten run and the pressure slowly eased on the boss. By the end of the season, Town had recovered to finished tenth and King had survived.

For Southend, the loss came mid-sequence of a run of five defeats in succession. The Shrimpers fell below mid table by the month's end and never recovered, losing ten of the last 13 and finally finished 17th in Division Three.



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**With both full-time goalkeeping apprentices unavailable through injury, Town handed a first start at Under 18's level to Under 16's goalkeeper Jamie Stephens at Cheltenham Town.**

The young stopper showed all the attributes of a more experienced player with his sound handling, good positioning, communication skills and his quick distribution.

The game started brightly in glorious sunshine and Swindon soon got into their stride with Lloyd Macklin showing his running skills with and without the ball causing many problems to the home rearguard.

It was Macklin who broke the deadlock on 18 minutes when he raced on to a through ball from Billy Bodin to finish low into the corner of the goal from 12 yards. Some great link play between Jamie Taylor and Danny Wallington on 25 minutes resulted with Taylor lobbing the ball over the stranded keeper for a composed finish.

With few attempts on the Swindon goal, debutant Stephens gained in confidence from the good defensive work in front of him. Five minutes minutes before

the break Andy Westall played a tremendous through ball to Jamie Taylor who then played in Danny Wallington. With a one touch pass which he accepted and drove the ball home via a deflection from 10 yard out.

The second half started in the same vein with Swindon attacking the Cheltenham defence time after time and with the amount of pressure it was only a matter of when the next goal would arrive.

It was Macklin for his second of the morning again racing through from a lofted pass from Lewis Page before unleashing a low unstoppable strike. Swindon gave the three substitutes half an hour of game time to show what they could do and they did not let themselves down all looking assured and composed.

With only ten minutes remaining some good attacking play down the right side saw Nathan Thompson deliver an inch perfect cross for Billy Bodin to head home the fifth and final goal for Swindon.

The only blemish on the performance was conceding a soft goal after a rash challenge on the edge of the Swindon area by Will Evans - who had another excellent game at the heart of the defence. The resultant free kick was scored by Josh Quaynor, Cheltenham's Towns left-back.

## YOUTH DISPLAY DELIGHTS THE BOSS

**After hitting five goals at Cheltenham Town, Youth Team Manager Paul Bodin was delighted with the performance of his side.**

Goals from Lloyd Macklin (2), Jamie Taylor, Danny Wallington and Billy Bodin were enough to see off the challenge of the home side.

"It was an excellent all-round performance with young Jamie in goal - giving us a great platform to work from with some tremendous quick distribution," said Bodin.

"We had some great attacking play and were clinical in front of goal. It is always good to see your attackers scoring goals, but you need a good base to work from and the lads worked tremendously hard to stop the opposition creating opportunities."

## INJURY UPDATE

**Kurt Hammonds is now starting his rehabilitation programme after his key-hole surgery, but will not play again this season.**

Under 18's goalkeeper Mark Scott is still awaiting results on his damaged thumb which is still sore and in plaster cast. Goalkeeper Callum Antell has now had X-Rays on his damaged wrist and is waiting for the results and specialists opinion.





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# OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

Owain Tudur Jones admits he is relishing life as a Town player, but insists the stresses and strains of League One life will all be worth it with a few wins on the table.

The midfielder joined on a month's loan from Swansea City and made his first appearance in a Town shirt in the defeat at Colchester United seven days ago. After another start at Elland Road on Saturday, the Welshman is eager to take to the field on home soil.

The 24-year old almost became a Swindon player prior to signing for The Swans in 2005 with former Town boss Andy King then in talks to secure the players signature. With three full Welsh caps to his name, Robins supporters will hope the midfielder can have a big impact over the next few weeks.

## **What have you made of your first two games in a Town shirt?**

I am still finding my feet but it would have been nice to have come in and helped the results. That hasn't quite happened but there is a lot of emphasis on the next two home games. The next couple of games are vital and we have to make sure we get our energy levels up to give ourselves every chance of surviving.

## **Southend will be tough opposition, but we must get on the victory trail sooner rather than later...**

In any division home games are the key. There are five home games to go and it is important that we look to try and win every one of those. With the players we have here we are capable of doing it, but the talent has to come through starting against Southend.

## **Are you looking forward to your home debut?**

Definitely, just before I arrived here at Swindon I was involved in a few long away games with Swansea. My first two games here were at Colchester and Leeds so I have spent a lot of time on the road lately. It will be nice to prepare down in the hotel and get ready for the game.

## **Staying in a hotel as a loan player means you probably have more time than most to think about the game doesn't it?**

It does. I woke up on Sunday after the Leeds game with so many knocks on my body, but it is nice to have that feeling again; knowing you have been in a competitive game. That's something that I have been wanting for a long time and it is proof that I am getting games. I am here to be successful and things will be a lot more enjoyable if we can start picking up some points.



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# Life on the mic

Words: Ed Hadwin

**How on earth do you become a football commentator? It's a question I'm often asked and I've never really come up with a good answer for.**

Some people have wanted to do it since they were old enough to understand the offside rule. But for most commentators, including myself, it's just something you fall into doing.

I got to thinking about this when I started preparations for today's game against Southend, and it's all to do with hospital radio. Just bear with me, it will make sense in a minute (hopefully).

Hospital radio is one of the most common ways of getting into commentating full time, because it's the only chance most people get to do it. There's someone broadcasting to the local infirmary at games up and down the country every Saturday, and generally they do a great job. The only real commentary on Swindon's 1969 League Cup victory came from hospital radio. I'm telling you all this because I just want to be clear that I think they do a great job and provide enjoyment (and despair) to patients throughout England.

But, and you knew there was one coming; they can sometimes cause a problem or two. Take Southend for instance. The commentary box at Roots Hall is at the back of the directors' box, and is behind glass (and I've never worked out whether the glass is there for the benefit of the reporters, or to stop us annoying the great and the good of Essex with our commentary – but I have my suspicions!). In the radio box there's usually two BBC local radio stations, an independent station, sometimes a reporter from Slive and hospital radio.

As you'd imagine it can get a bit noisy with all those people talking in a confined space at the same time, but normally it's fine. On our last couple of visits to Roots Hall though, the noise level seems to have increased a bit. Now I've never properly met the guys who do the hospital radio there, because I'm usually busy and they turn up quite close to kick-off, but I'm prepared to guess that they're a bit excitable.

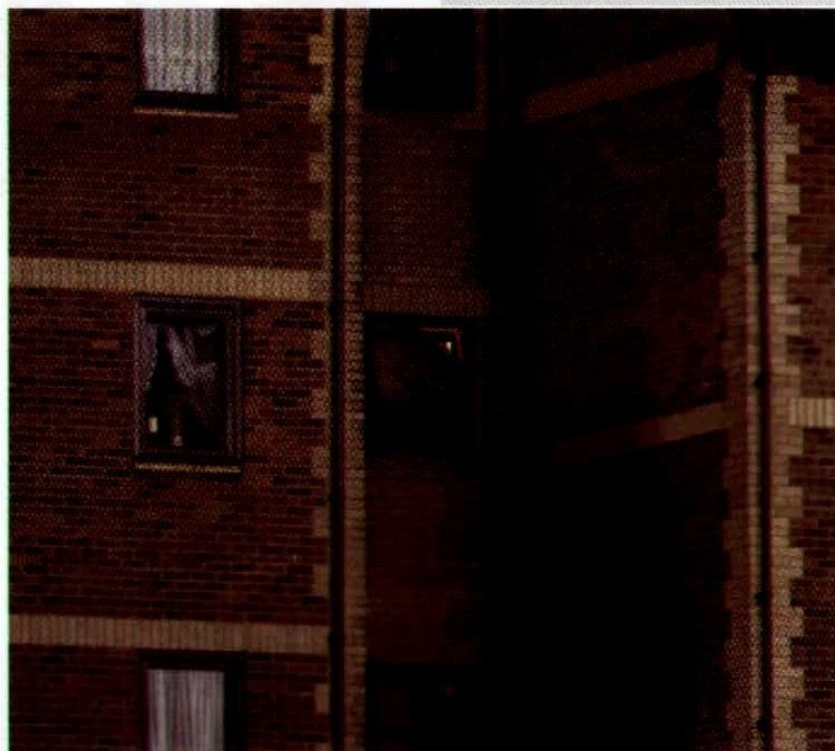
Swindon's last two trips there have ended with late goals condemning Swindon to defeat, so naturally you'd expect them to be pretty happy with life. But when the goals went in I thought Southend had somehow managed to claim promotion, the Champions League and the World Cup all at the same time. I could barely hear myself think and listening back to the recording of the game, you can barely hear me either. Which some people would say, is no bad thing!



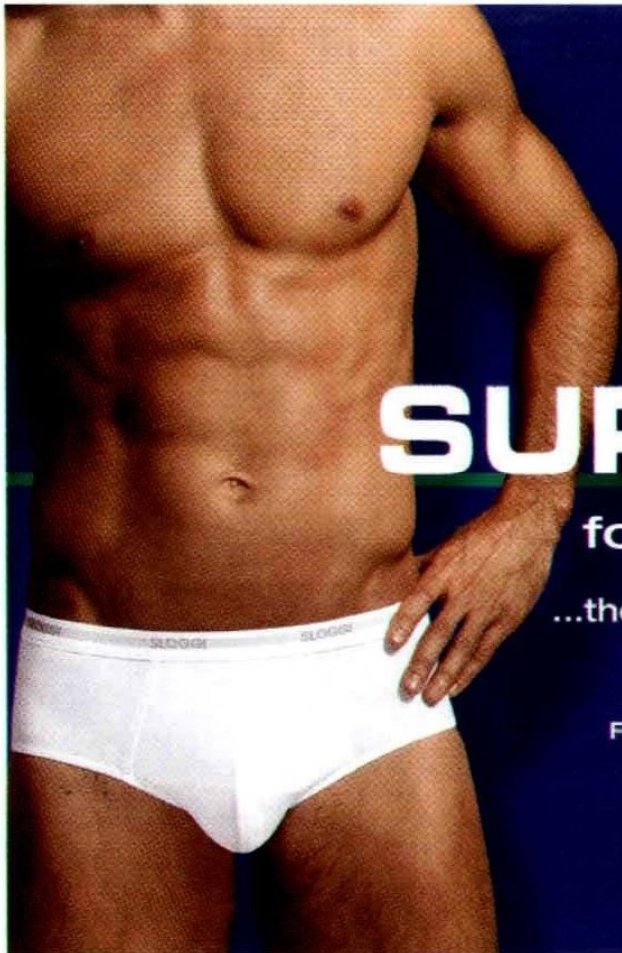
**Above:** The noisy Roots Hall.

**Below:** Local residents enjoy home 'ad-vantage' with football for free at Southend United's Roots Hall.

**“Some people have wanted to do it since they were old enough to understand the offside rule.”**







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The Supporters Club were delighted to be the main sponsor for the 40th anniversary dinner and what a fine night it was for all those able to attend.

I would like to add my congratulations to the Football Club for running the night in a very successful fashion. It all ran smoothly and from the catering team right through to the management – exemplary! It was so good to see the Legends of '69 in Swindon again and a joy to see them really enjoying themselves.

The decoration of the Legends Lounge brought a real flavour of our

history and I understand it is the club's intention to leave it in place for a while so why not pop in and have a look.

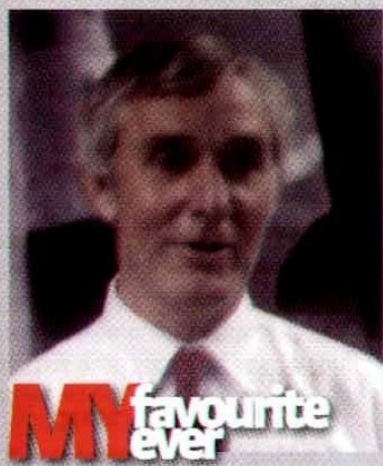
In the auction of memorabilia, in a joint operation with SAS Away Travel, we made a successful bid for the large framed photo of Don Rogers beating Bob Wilson for the third goal at Wembley. The photo being signed uniquely by the duo and it will now remain at The County Ground for fans to enjoy. I would therefore like to recognise the support that our friends and fellow supporters, from SAS travel have given us in order for us to make the successful bid.

One date for members and fans to get in their diary is Tuesday 28th April, being the date set aside for our annual End of Season Dinner and Player of the Year presentation – this too is always a good night and full details will be circulated soon.

As always don't forget to view our website at [www.swindontownsupportersclub.com](http://www.swindontownsupportersclub.com) for all our latest news and information.

See you back at The County Ground again on Saturday.

**Roger**



## Peter Knight

**Location:** Denchworth.

**Favourite Game:** Blackpool away in the 1995/96 season, the 1-1 draw there clinched promotion.

I managed to meet a few of the players afterwards, dare I mention the dancing on the table!

**Favourite player:** Sam Parkin.

**Favourite goal:** Danny Invincible's strike against Peterborough which helped us avoid relegation.

**Score prediction:** 2-1 to Swindon.

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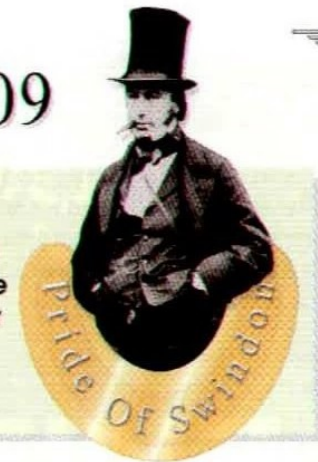
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It seems that if a game lasted eighty five minutes then we would probably be in the play-offs now, if you look back at our results we have dropped sixteen points through conceding in the final five minutes of

a game. Those points would have put us currently in twelfth position in the table. It is very frustrating for you the fans probably now more than our management team.

It is therefore vital that you keep up the vocal support for your team right to the final whistle and I am sure that it will prove dividends in the final few weeks of the season. Please do this by making plenty of noise for the lads for the whole ninety minutes.

Many thanks for all of your birthday and special mentions that are sending in to Shaun and I, it is a pleasure to receive them and we do our best to make your day as special as we can. We can be reached

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With just five home games left this season it is vital that we make The County Ground 'Fortress SN1' and claim as many points as possible. With you acting as the twelfth man to support, we can all contribute to helping the team to three valuable points this evening.

Finger nails will be at a premium this week but please try to enjoy the game!

**Enjoy the game**  
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#### EMAIL

brianp@swindontownfc.co.uk Enquires only.

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Junior	£9.00
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Family (2 adt, 2 Jun)	£45*
Wheelchair Disabled	£10.00

#### TOWN END \*\*\*\*

#### Matchday

Adults	£15.00
OAP/Student	£12.00*
Junior	£9.00
Under 7s	Free**
Wheelchair Disabled	£10.00

To qualify for a Junior price you must be 15 or under on 1st August 2008. Unaccompanied 12-14 year olds will issues tickets in Block 1 of The Don Rogers Stand. Under 12's must be accompanied by an adult in all areas.

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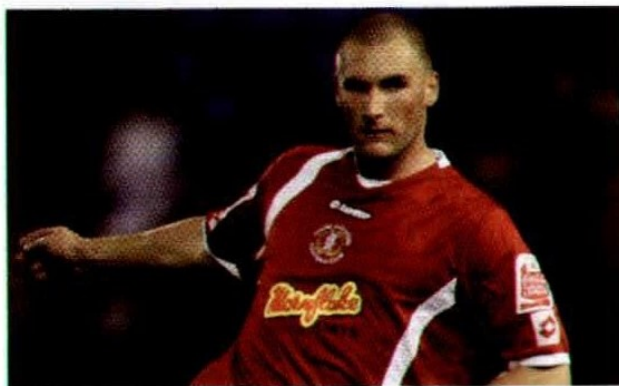
COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE

**v Hereford United**

Saturday 21st March,  
Kick-Off 3.00pm,  
The County Ground

Beaten by this evening's visitors Southend United at the weekend, Hereford United will be coming to Wiltshire in need of points to help their own League One survival bid. Graham Turner's side are currently second from bottom in the division and took a point from the reverse fixture with The Robins earlier in the season with Bradley Hudson-Odoi and Jerel Ifil on target.

**Matchday Prices:** See left.



COCA-COLA LEAGUE ONE

**v Crewe Alexandra**

Saturday 4th April,  
Kick-Off 3.00pm,  
The County Ground

Both teams have made significant changes since the last meeting between the two sides, which came at The Alexandra Stadium in mid-December. Crewe won the game 1-0 with a Shaun Miller strike the difference on the day. Now managed by Gudjon Thordarson, the resurgent Railwaymen have suffered just one defeat in their last eight games.

**Matchday Prices:** See left.





# statistics

DATE	OPPONENTS	RES	ATT	VIS	POS	REFEREE	1 Phil SMITH	2 Jack SMITH	3 Jamie VINCENT	4 Micheal TIMLIN	5 Jereh IFIL	6 Hasney ALJOFREE (C)	7 Hal ROBSON-KANU	8 Craig EASTON	9 Barry CORR
SAT 09 AUG	TRANMERE ROVERS	3.00pm	3-1	7975	538	3	F Graham	S							S/10
TUE 12 AUG	QPR (CCRI)	7.45pm	2-3	7630	1935	*	R Beeby								S/4
Sat 16 Aug	Cheltenham Town	3.00pm	0-2	4975	1675	11	P Crossley	S							S
SAT 23 AUG	COLCHESTER UNITED	3.00pm	1-3	7031	297	19	C Penton								S/4
Sat 30 Aug	MK Dons	3.00pm	2-1	8846	1203	10	S Bennett								
TUE 02 SEP	Aldershot (JPT-1) (aet 7.6 on pens)	7.45pm	2-2	1814	385	✓	J Linington				1				
Fri 05 Sep	Hereford United	7.45pm	1-1	4061	761	11	G Salisbury				1				
SAT 13 SEP	LEEDS UNITED	3.00pm	1-3	13001	3320	15	D Deadman				S/8				
Sat 20 Sep	Stockport County	3.00pm	1-1	5536	374	16	K Hill							1	S/2
SUN 28 SEP	MILLWALL	2.00pm	1-2	7589	746	17	A Penn			S					
Fri 03 Oct	Hartlepool United	7.45pm	3-3	4018	139	18	K Evans								
Tue 07 Oct	Hereford United (JPT-2)	7.45pm	1-2	1458	227	✓	S Bratt	S							S/2
SAT 11 OCT	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	3.00pm	1-3	7071	399	19	D Whitestone	S						1	S/2
Sat 18 Oct	Southend United	3.00pm	1-2	7965	381	20	G Ward	S							S
TUE 21 OCT	NORTHAMPTON TOWN	7.45pm	2-1	6653	360	18	A D'Urso	S							S/32
SAT 25 OCT	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	3.00pm	2-0	6904	476	15	G Horwood	S	1						S
Sat 01 Nov	Scunthorpe United	3.00pm	3-3	4744	295	17	D Foster								S/19
Sat 08 Nov	Histon (FAC1)	3.00pm	0-1	1541	500	*	S Rushton								S
Wed 12 Nov	Brighton & Hove Albion (JPT-AQF)	7.45pm	0-2	2234	141	*	P Crossley								S
SAT 15 NOV	LEICESTER CITY	3.00pm	2-2	9499	2076	17	C Penton				S				S/11
Sat 22 Nov	Bristol Rovers	3.00pm	2-2	8016	1055	18	K Stroud				S	S/11			S
TUE 25 NOV	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	7.45pm	2-2	6616	311	18	R East		1		S				S
Sat 29 Nov	Walsall	3.00pm	1-2	3844	626	19	K D Hill				S				S
SAT 06 DEC	CARLISLE UNITED	3.00pm	1-1	6787	266	19	A Bates								S
Sat 13 Dec	Crewe Alexandra	3.00pm	0-1	3491	294	19	N Swarbrick				S/11				S/32
SAT 20 DEC	YEOVIL TOWN	3.00pm	2-3	7072	405	20	G Salisbury				1				S/10
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/2
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				S
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							S
Tue 17 Feb	Millwall	7.45pm	1-1	7,104	351	19	P Miller	S							S
SAT 21 FEB	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	3.00pm	4-2	6,852	281	19	C Sarginson	S			1				S
TUE 24 FEB	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	7.45pm	0-1	6,010	72	19	A Hall	S							S
Sat 28 Feb	Tranmere Rovers	3.00pm	0-1	5,153	221	20	D Webb	S							S
TUE 03 MAR	CHELTENHAM TOWN	7.45pm	2-2	6,293	262	19	D Phillips	S							S
SAT 07 MAR	MK DONS	3.00pm	1-1	7,453	675	21	A D'Urso	S			S/25				S
Tue 10 Mar	Colchester United	7.45pm	2-3	3,827	234	21	D Whitestone	S			S			1	S
Sat 14 Mar	Leeds United	3.00pm	0-1	21,765	819	21	K Stroud		S/11		S				S
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												

- Red block denotes player appearance (green denotes 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

**Simon Cox...**  
 The Town striker managed to reach the 20 goal landmark with a penalty at Colchester United seven days ago. After a foul on Billy Paynter, Cox stepped up and made no mistake from the spot to extend his tally for the season. Having reached the magical twenty mark, he is now hoping to reach 25 before the campaign is out. Here's hoping it's over 25!







## Match Officials

Swindon Town vs  
Southend United  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2009  
Kick-Off 7.45pm

Referee: K G Evans  
Assistant 1: S J Martin  
Assistant 2: S Robbins  
Fourth Official: S C Knapp

### League One Fixtures: 17.03.09

Cheltenham Town v Tranmere Rovers  
Crewe Alexandra v Bristol Rovers  
MK Dons v Millwall  
Scunthorpe United v Hereford United  
Swindon Town v Southend United  
Walsall v Brighton & Hove Albion



## swindon town

Danny Wilson

- 1 Phil Smith
- 2 Jack Smith
- 3 Jamie Vincent
- 4 Michael Timlin
- 5 Jerel Ifil
- 6 Hasney Aljofree
- 7 Hal Robson-Kanu
- 8 Craig Easton
- 9 Barry Corr
- 10 Jon-Paul McGovern
- 11 Anthony McNamee
- 12 Peter Brezovan
- 14 Patrick Kanyuka
- 15 Kevin Amankwaah
- 16 Yinka Casal
- 17 Lilian Nalis
- 18 Mark Marshall
- 19 Michael Pook
- 20 Billy Paynter
- 21 Blair Sturrock
- 22 Hamdi Razak
- 23 Ben Joyce
- 24 Chris Allen
- 25 Sean Morrison
- 26 Leccinel Jean-Francois
- 30 Callum Kennedy
- 31 Simon Cox
- 32 Lee Peacock
- 33 Gordon Greer
- 34 Owain Tudur Jones



## southend united

Steve Tilson

- 1 Steve Mildenhall
- 2 Simon Francis
- 4 Dorian Dervite
- 5 Peter Clarke
- 6 Adam Barrett
- 7 Anthony Grant
- 8 Alan McCormack
- 9 Lee Barnard
- 10 James Walker
- 11 Alex Revell
- 12 Damian Scannell
- 14 Franck Moussa
- 15 Osei Sankofa
- 16 Dougie Freedman
- 17 Theo Robinson
- 18 Johnny Herd
- 19 Charles Ademeno
- 20 Jean-Francois Christophe
- 21 Kevin Betsy
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- 27 Peggy Lokando
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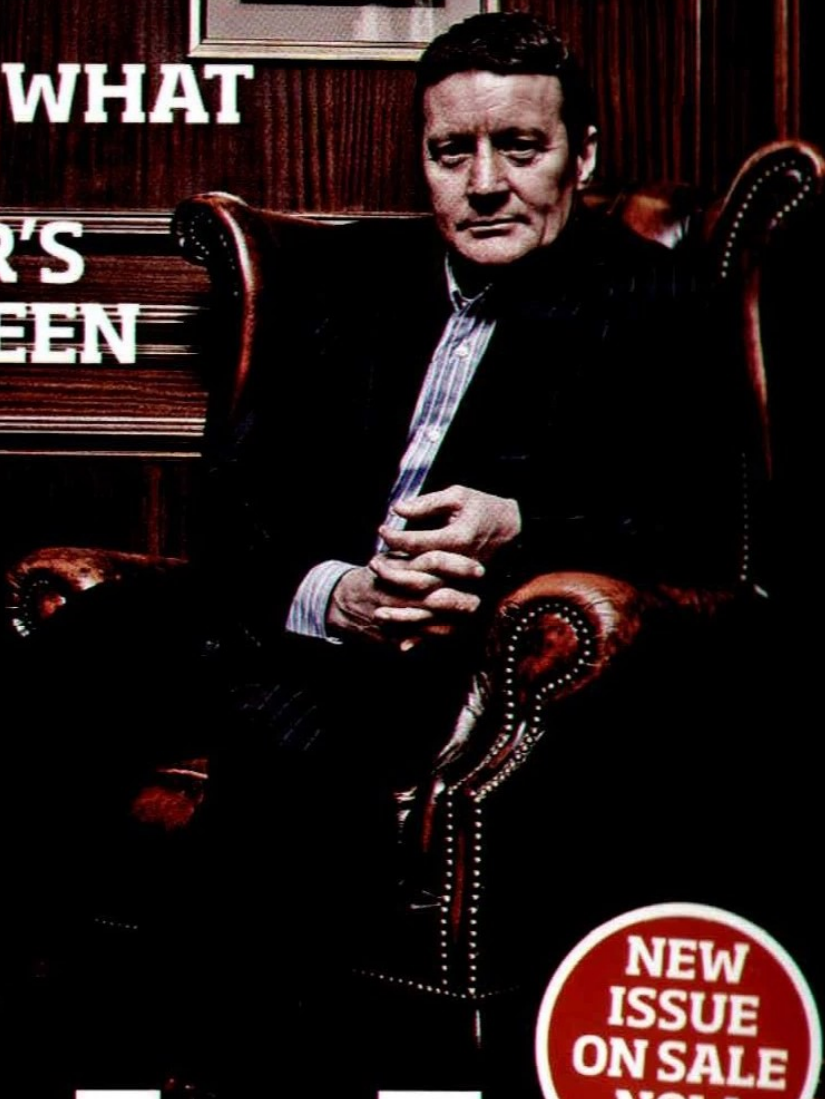
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 Cheltenham Town F.C.	 Northampton Town F.C.	 Bristol Rovers F.C.	 Yeovil Town F.C.
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