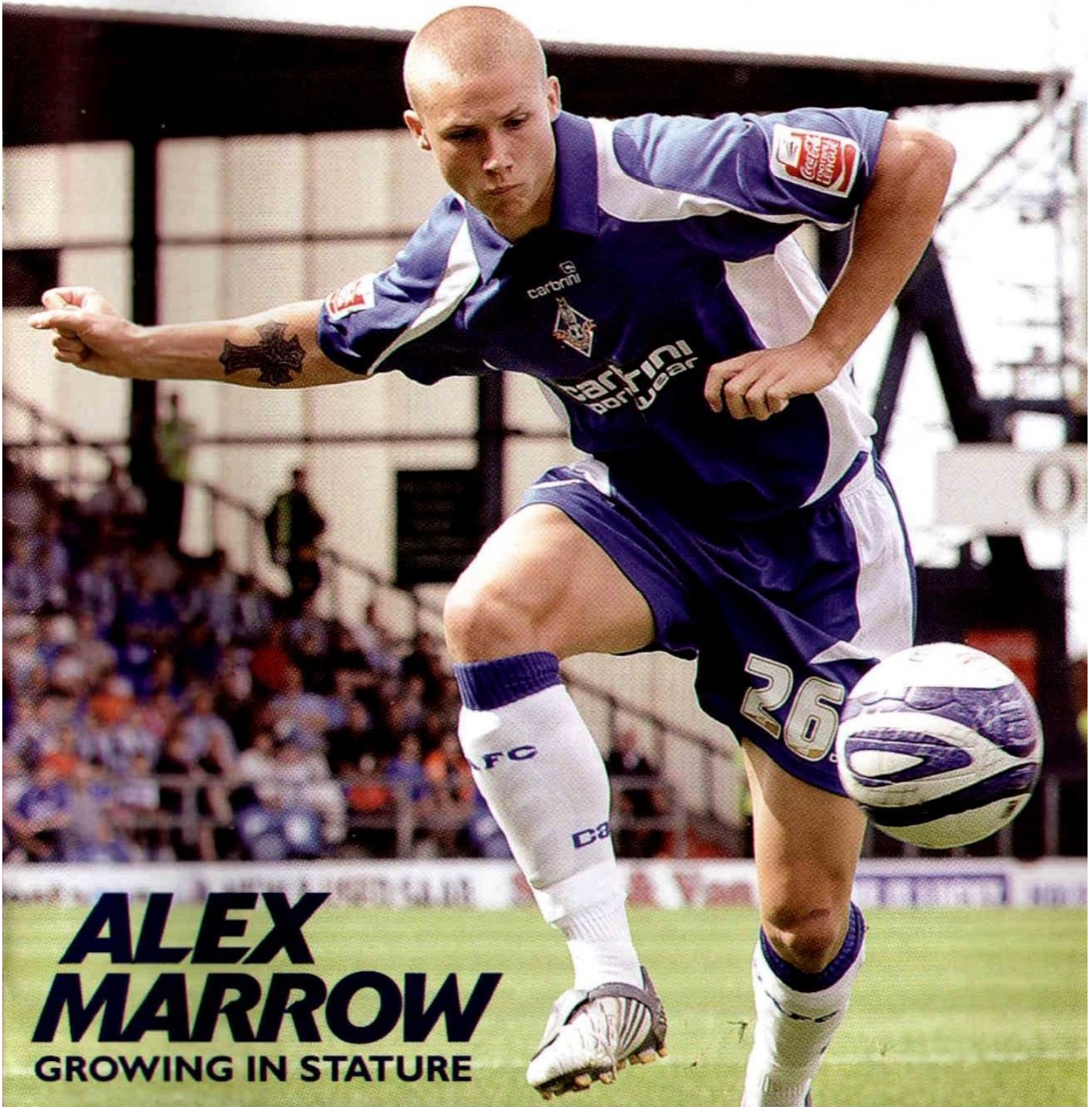


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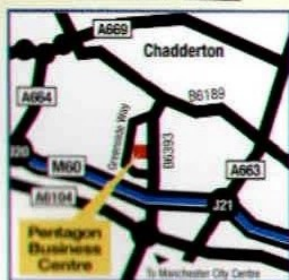
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GORDON LAWTON

Blimey Charlie I am glad that week is over!

Starting last Tuesday (11th) with the trip to Carlisle, we were then off to Leyton Orient on Saturday (15th) and on to Millwall on Tuesday night (18th).

We got home at 3am on Wednesday and we were still in work at 8.30am as normal. Now I can already here you all saying Ahhhh...getting paid for following football etc.

The truth is though.. we do not travel on the team coach, we have to be at the stadium 1 hour before the team to set up the equipment, we then do not sit and relax watching the game, we have to supply commentary and web information then it is pack up and head off home. It is actually very, very tiring. (Honest)

What is the point you are making I hear you say? Just my usual rant...Tuesday night, Millwall away? Why don't we play away at Stockport or Tranmere on a Tuesday instead of a Saturday?

Now back to matters in hand. Latics picked up a home draw in the Johnsons Paint Trophy 1st Round. The game will take place on Tuesday 1st September at Boundary Park and the directors have already slashed admission costs to £10 Adults, £5 Concessions with Under 16's gaining admission free of charge. What should I do with the

programme though?...let me know...do you prefer a 16 page issue costing £2 or a fold down poster costing £1.50p or perhaps even a large team-sheet with news stories on the back at say £1?

Andy Liddell has asked me to pass on his thanks to you all, he and his wife Charlotte have been overwhelmed with the support for Andy's attempt in the Great Northern Run. Once again Latics fans have shown their caring side...I just knew you would, you always do.

**Cheers
Gordon.**

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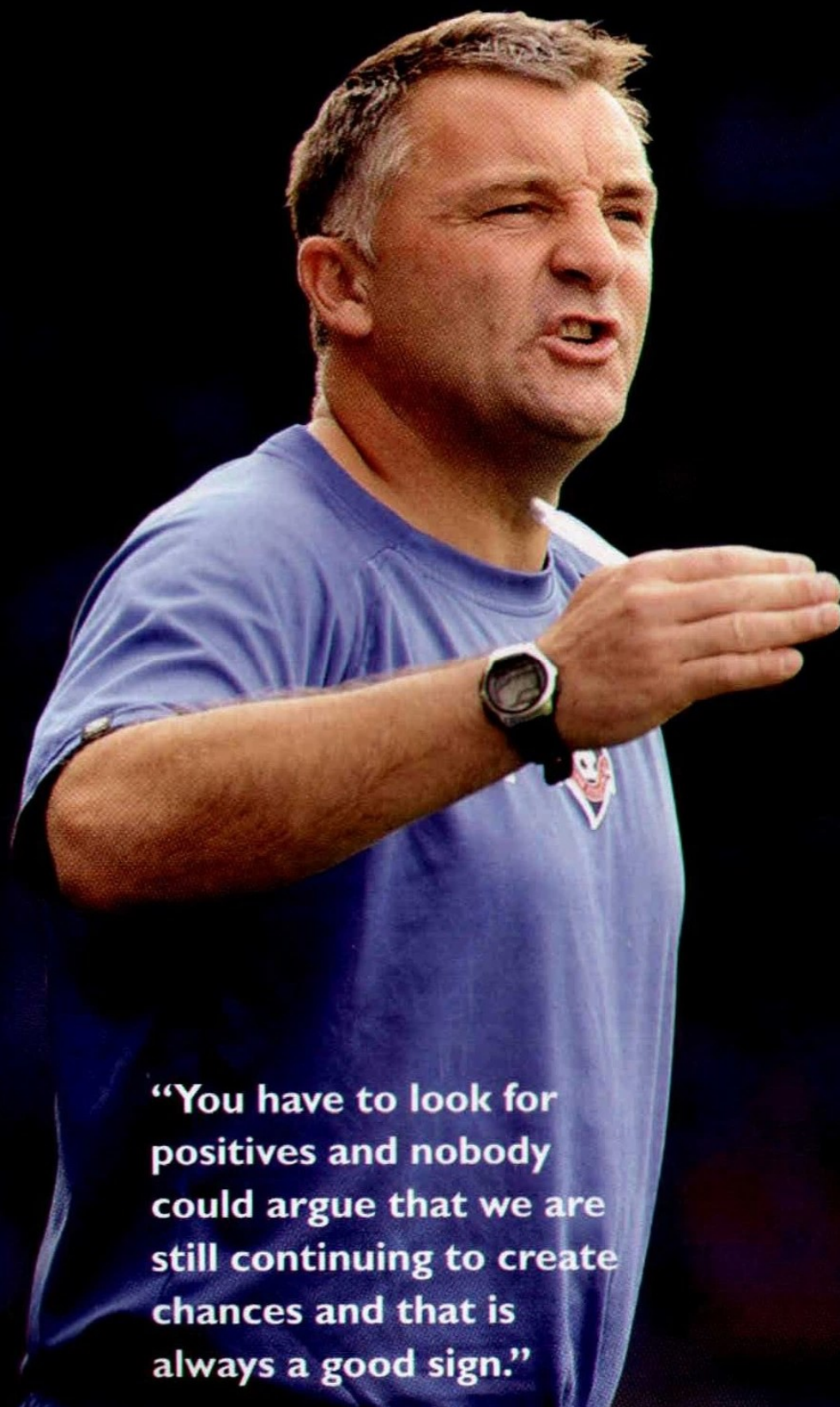
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“You have to look for positives and nobody could argue that we are still continuing to create chances and that is always a good sign.”

It's good to be back to Boundary Park after three tough games on the road.

We certainly clocked up the miles with trips to Carlisle, Leyton Orient and Millwall in the space of a week. There were also mixed fortunes on the way with a Carling Cup defeat at Brunton Park, a well-deserved victory at Brisbane Road and defeat in the Lions Den.

I have said from the outset that there will be no easy games in what is going to be a very competitive division and this afternoon's opposition will no doubt come here to push us all the way. We extend a warm welcome to Swindon Town manager Danny Wilson, his board of directors, players and travelling fans. They recorded their first win of the season when they beat Southampton at home on Tuesday night. Swindon will want to build on that but we will also be looking to bounce back from the Millwall defeat and it is our job to send them back home empty-handed.

BLANK SHEET

We failed to score in our first game here against Stockport and, considering the chances we created, it was very, very frustrating.

MANAGER DAVE PENNEY

OPPOSITION

We might have scored two or three, though, but having said that their keeper made some great saves.

One was fantastic when he denied Dean Furman after the ball had looked to have gone past him and he somehow kept out a Pawel Abbott free kick which had been smartly taken.

Opening games can always be a bit edgy and the ball was a hot a potato in the early stages.

We gave it away too cheaply and needed to control it better.

But we got better as the game went on, the back four looked solid and compact and we were a threat going forward.

The only thing missing was a goal, but I was pleased with a clean sheet.

It was the same against Carlisle a few days later.

We again lacked a cutting edge but the chances were there.

Nor was there anything wrong with our work rate and we put the home side under a lot of pressure, causing them to make unforced errors.

You need guile, belief, know-how and composure in the final third to break teams down and, to be honest, I was getting ready for extra-time when they scored with a couple of minutes to go. Of course, it was very disappointing to go out of a cup competition in the first round.

It was a game that could have gone either way and I felt we just shaded it.

We had been working hard in training and retained the ball a lot better and that was pleasing.

You have to stay tight at the back away from home and I thought we had done a pretty good job.

GOALS WILL COME

Despite failing to get on the scoresheet in two games, I always felt the goals would come and so it proved at Leyton Orient last Saturday. We kept the ball well and Orient didn't get close to us for much of the game and Pawel Abbott's two goals were enough to make sure we came away with our first three-pointer of the season. Goals change games and they were no more than he deserved.

He has worked hard, been on the end of opportunities and it was good to see them go in.

Every side needs a goalscorer and Pav showed he can finish.

Pawel has had his injury problems but he is now looking fit and sharp and that can only be a big plus.

Orient had beaten Newcastle 6-1 and everyone was expecting another good home win.

I decided to change things round and go with a different shape and it worked.

A 4-3-3 formation makes you control the game, pass better and with the pace of Chris Taylor and Keigan Parker we looked dangerous in wide areas.

It also meant that the ball wasn't coming back quite as quickly.

I was disappointed with the goal we conceded, but there was nothing wrong with the way we reacted by taking the game to them.

I was delighted for Pav who has had his first proper pre-season for a while and I am sure there will be more goals from him, let's hope so.

It was a very satisfying performance at Brisbane Road and not many sides will go there and come away with all three points.

GOALS CHANGE GAMES - SO IT PROVED

The same can be said of Millwall and it was always going to be a tough trip, you expect nothing less.

They got to the play-offs last season and will be looking to go one step further this time round.

We were chasing the game after 13 minutes but might have got back in it on the half hour only for their keeper to make a great save to keep out Pav's penalty kick.

He was the hero last week but nobody is blaming him, he will be taking the next penalty

It is always disappointing when you lose but, performance-wise, it wasn't too bad.

It is never an easy place to come and we didn't lie down, far from it.

When you go to a place like Millwall you have to take your chances when they arrive but, to be fair, the penalty was a terrific save by their keeper.

Goals do change games and if it had gone in it might all have been different.

We got on top a little in the second half without breaking them down, but we showed we were up for the battle.

You have to look for positives and nobody could argue that we are still continuing to create chances and that is always a good sign.

It will take 10 or 12 games before we have a rough idea of how things are going and what will need to be done. In the meantime, we need to pick up as many points as we can and see where it takes us.

We always go into games believing we can win and it will be no different this afternoon.

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Saturday 8th August 2009, Attendance 6,918 (1,658 away fans)

Latics start to the 2009/10 season saw them play out a frustrating 0-0 draw with Stockport County at Boundary Park. Athletic started the game with eight debutants, including Pete Gilbert at left back and Alex Marrow at right back, both having only joined the Athletic squad on the Thursday before the game.

Jon Worthington showed his colours for the forthcoming season, when the combative midfielder's fourth foul of the game, after only 15 minutes, got him a talking to from Referee Langford. With 24 minutes on the clock Latics had what looked a clear cut penalty denied. A through ball by Andy Holdsworth sent Pawel Abbott away and as he skipped between two County defenders he appeared to have his ankles clipped. However to the dismay of the home fans the Referee waved away the vocal appeals. Dean Furman caused County problems throughout

the game and along with man of the match Sean Gregan was the stand out player for Athletic. Despite Worthington's tough tackling it was Danny Whitaker who picked up the first Athletic yellow card of the new season, when on 77 minutes he was slow to react in the midfield, catching Stockport's Greg Tansley from behind. He made amends 5 minutes later with an outstanding ball in to the area which found Abbott at the back post; his volley thundered off the arm of Stockport's Gian Luca Havern, but both the Referee and his Assistant allowed play to continue, to the outrage of the Latics forward. In the closing stages Athletic piled on the pressure but the County defence held strong. Fon Williams the Stockport goalkeeper going home with the man of the match award following three outstanding saves, one of which, from Dean Furman's drive, would have won any save of the season award.



CARLING CUP 1ST ROUND

CARLISLE UNITED 1 OLDHAM ATHLETIC 0

Tuesday 11th August 2009, Attendance 2,509 (201 Latics fans)

Latics involvement in this season's Carling Cup came to an abrupt end at Brunton Park. Athletic dominated long periods of the first half with the home side unable to cope with the Athletic midfield trio of Worthington, Furman and Whitaker.

Despite dominating chances were few and far between, the crosses were pouring in to the penalty area but Latics failed to capitalize on Whitaker and Taylor's hard

work. Peter Gilbert had a sound game for Athletic along with Sean Gregan who was without doubt the man of the match. Latics only real chance fell to Chris Taylor whose shot from 13 yards was parried away by Fox's goalkeeper Lenny Pidgeley. And as always seems to happen with Latics, in the 89th minute Carlisle sneaked the winner Scott Dobie rising at the back post to head past Brill from a David Raven cross.



ONCE A LATIC...



Shane Supple, who had a loan spell last season with Latics, stunned Ipswich Town this week by quitting football at the age of 22.

The genial Irishman, who made 38 first-team appearances for the Portman Road club, made the life-changing decision after claiming he had "fallen out of love with the game."

Ipswich have agreed to cancel the Dubliner's contract which will allow him to pursue a career outside professional football.

Supple said: "As you grow up, you realise there are other things in life and, to be honest, the game is not what I thought it was."

"There is not one reason why I have made the decision - there are a number of factors. But deep down in my heart is not in the game any more and I'm not going to go into work every day trying to convince myself that it is the right time for me to walk away."

"I suppose you could say I have fallen out of love with the game and, when that happens, I've always said to myself that I wouldn't hang around."

Supple played a key role in Ipswich's FA Youth Cup win of 2005, but his first-team opportunities have been limited since Richard Wright returned to Portman Road from West Ham in July 2008.

The former Eire under-21 international praised Tractor Boys boss Roy Keane for the support

he has given him.

Supple, who has been at Ipswich six years, continued: "He was a bit shocked when I told him. I expected that, but he understood my reasons and he has been first class."

"People probably think I am crazy, but I am not going to stay in the game for anyone else. I'm making the decision for myself." Supple spoke to Blue Pride days before his announcement and gave no hint that he was set to quit football.

He explained his one and only regret about last season's loan spell with Latics was the fact he did not play more games.

The goalkeeper's end-of-campaign stay was cut short by injury after five appearances in Coca-Cola League One.

And the damaged cartilage in Supple's knee ended his loan prematurely denying him the chance to play in the final four matches.

He explained: "I spent the whole of last season as Richard Wright's understudy and made only one appearance for Ipswich in the Carling Cup."

"It was great when I got the call from Joe Royle, who gave me my first-team debut at Ipswich, asking me to join Oldham on loan."

"I didn't need asking twice and it was a great opportunity to play some games because it is frustrating when you are a keeper

SHANE SUPPLE

"I will never forget my stint with Latics....I look for their results every week!"

and you are not in the team.

"Unlike other areas where, for example, defenders can play in a number of positions, there is only one place for us goalkeepers."

Supple says he had a fantastic time with Latics loving every minute of his short time at Boundary Park.

"Things did not go well for the team for whatever reason - we only had a small and young squad - but I enjoyed it and they were nice people and it was a fantastic place," he declared.

Supple remembers his debut at home to Tranmere as Royle made an emotional homecoming though, sadly, it proved not a triumphant one.

He continued: "As it was Joe's first game back the atmosphere was amazing and, though we lost the game, it was a match I shall never forget."

"I also remember us giving Peterborough, who were about to be promoted, a great game and then the late equaliser we scored at Carlisle."

And Supple enjoyed being reunited with Royle, if only for a short time.

He continued: "It was brilliant to work with Joe again as he was a massive influence and probably the biggest of my career."

"When I came over from Ireland as a kid he gave me my opportunity and I can only say good things about him. He is a great manager and also a great man, a true gentleman."

It has been a summer of great change at Ipswich where Roy Keane has replaced Jim Magilton as manager.

He declared: "There is great excitement following the appointment of Roy who did a great job at Sunderland."

"Roy has given the whole place a lift but, with that, comes great expectations as everyone expects us to be up there challenging for promotion."

"The spotlight is suddenly on Ipswich but that is a great opportunity for all the players to strive to get to the Premier League."

Supple has recovered from the damaged cartilage - almost 10 weeks did that without the need for surgery which at one stage had looked likely.

Indeed, Supple made his bow for the season in this month's Ipswich's dramatic Carling Cup tie at Shrewsbury which ended 3-3 with the Tractor Boys triumphing 4-2 on penalties.

"I saved the first penalty while their lad hit the last one over the bar which sealed victory," he continued.

Supple, who is in the final year of his contract at Ipswich, admitted it was an important watershed in his career giving no inkling he was set to quit and even saying he would consider another loan move if it were offered to him.

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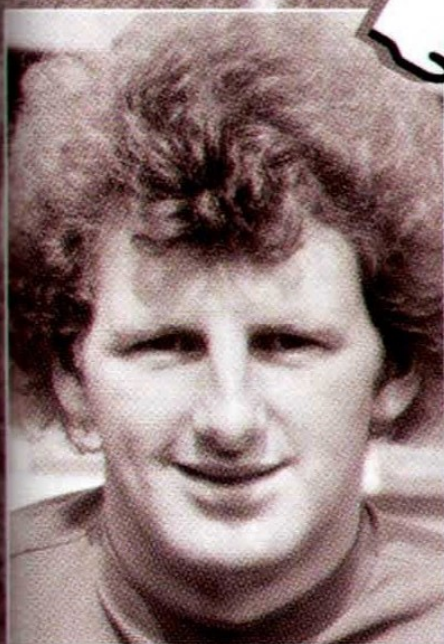
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HE SCORED...



Royton-born Steve Taylor was brought to Boundary Park by manager Jimmy Frizzell for what turned out to be a bargain-basement fee of £38,000 from Bolton Wanderers.

It was a much needed signing for the Latics, who had found the target only nine times in their opening ten matches of the 1977-78 division two campaign.

And Taylor instantly repaid Frizzell's faith in him by scoring twice on his debut in a 2-1 victory at home to Notts County.

Never the most elegant of footballers, Taylor was, nonetheless, a born goalscorer. He even looked like a goalscorer, if you know what I mean.

Despite defeats for the Latics in their next two outings - away to Cardiff City and Sunderland - it was Taylor's almost criminally predatory goals that sparked a remarkable revival.

Frizzell's team enjoyed a seven-game winning sequence throughout December and January, with Taylor on target five times in that period. Taylor finished the season with 20 goals from thirty-two appearances, a very impressive return indeed.

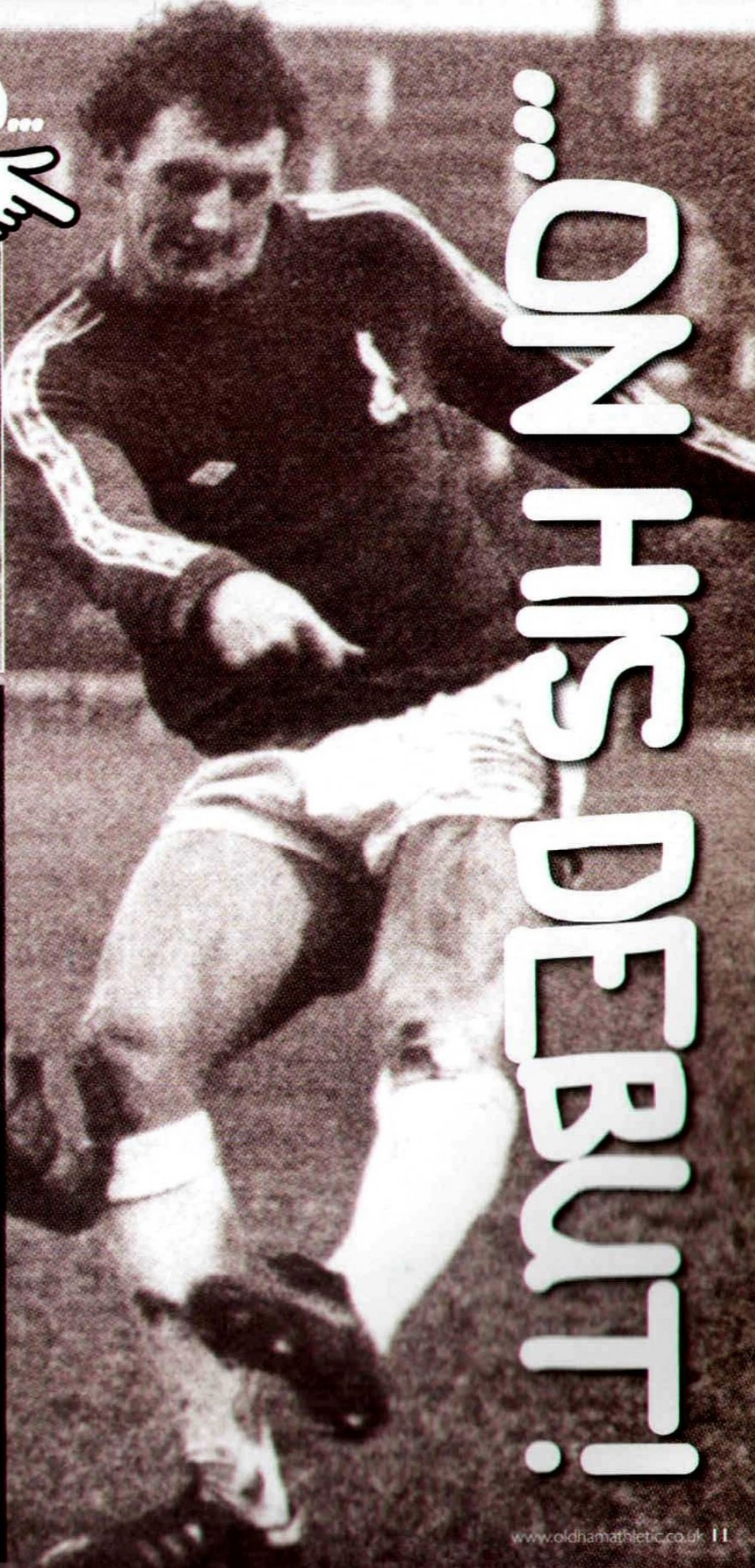
Only Vic Halom got anywhere near Taylor's tally - former Sunderland striker Halom found the target 11 times - with Alan Young third highest marksman with seven in a Latics side that finished a highly creditable eighth in the old second division.

Despite making only 13 appearances in the season that followed, Taylor still managed five successful strikes before a £50,000 move to Luton Town in the early part of 1979.

He went on to play for Burnley, Wigan Athletic, Stockport County, Rochdale and Preston North End.

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So the first 3 games of the new season have gone and whilst I am not over the moon with the results I think the performances have been quite good. In all 3 games we have had plenty of chances and we could easily be sitting pretty now on 9 points.

The first game against Stockport was a typical derby match with no-one giving any quarter and their goalkeeper had a blinder. He made great saves from both Dean Furman and Pawel Abbott and to show you what a funny old game it is...since playing us here at Boundary Park the County 'keeper has been throwing them in for fun!

Then we were off to Leyton Orient, a tough place to go, their first home game after sticking six past Newcastle in pre-season and we fully deserved our win. Pawel did well taking his first goal showing he can use both feet.

For his second he struck the penalty well giving the keeper no-chance.

I have to hold my hand up for the Orient goal, Dean (Brill) did not give me a shout so I should have just put my foot through the ball and cleared it. I thought there was no room for their guy to get behind us and it was just a misunderstanding for which I have to take the blame.

Then we made another long trip back to London to take on Millwall and for long periods we dictated the game in midfield. Millwall is a horrible place for visiting teams and officials. The home fans really are a special breed and they put you under pressure.

Having scored an early goal Millwall thought it was going to be an easy home win but we piled on the pressure and we were awarded a penalty when Andy Holdsworth was brought down from behind.

I thought their lad was going to see the red card but it was just yellow which was a surprise to me... him being the last man.

Pav stepped up and let's be honest...the goalkeeper made a decent save. That's the way it goes sometimes. Pav will still be there ready to take the next one though, he is good player.

The Lions sealed their win with a late goal but we had chances ...Worthy fired one over the top and Keigan and Dean (Furman) had good shouts for another spot kick turned down.

Our midfield is slowly beginning to gel, it takes time and does not happen immediately but Dean Furman and Jon Worthington are forming a good partnership and I think the best is yet to come.

I would have been happy with 5 points from our first 3 games, in the end we picked up 4 points but we could make that 7 points this afternoon if we beat Swindon which I am confident of doing.

Goals win games...we have had so many corners and free-kicks in the 3 games so far that when it all comes together we could give someone a right tanking.

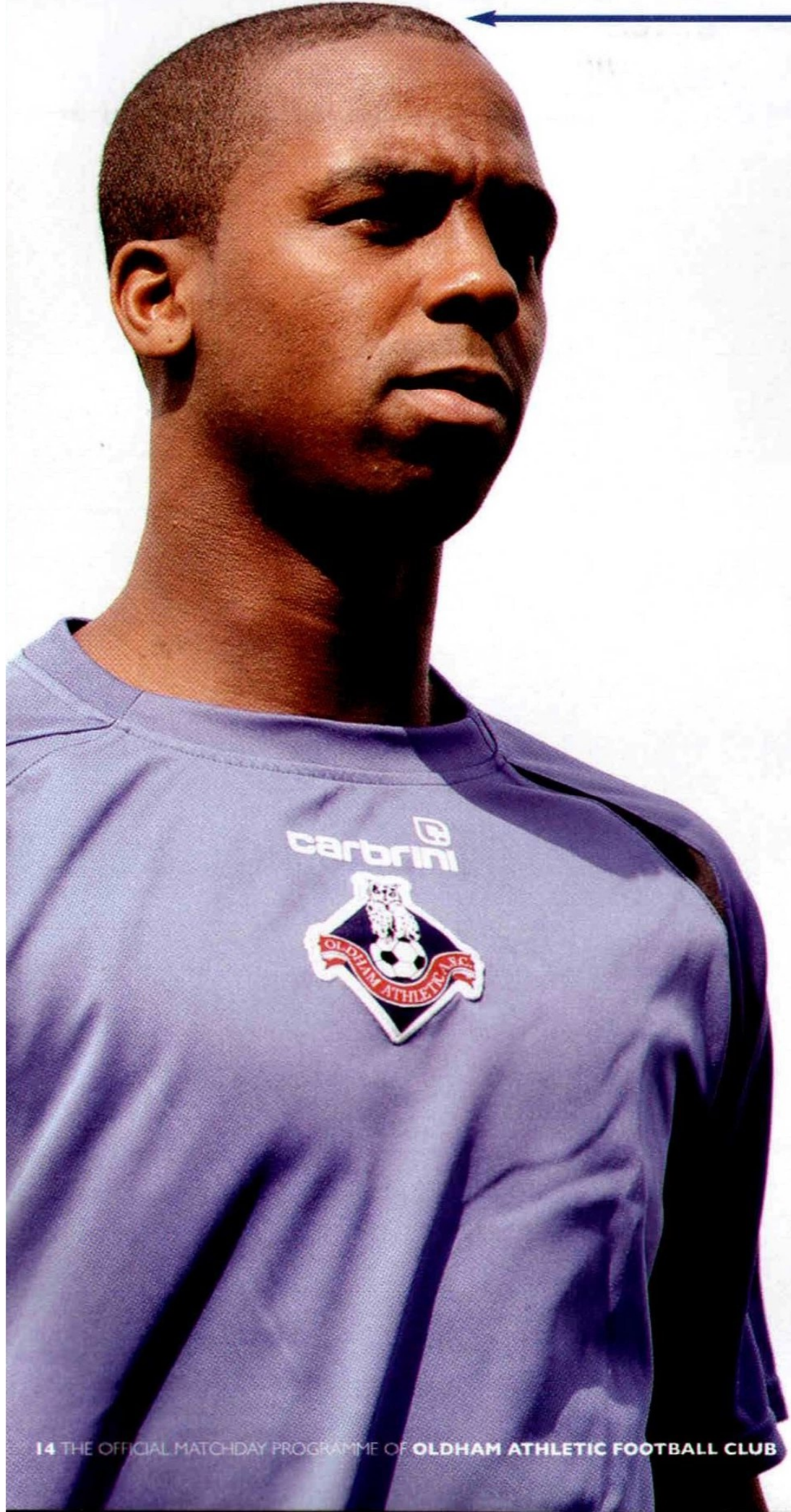
Swindon like us have made a few changes to their line-up and they have sold Simon Cox who I thought was a good player. That's what clubs at this level are up against, when you find a gem... a big club comes in and robs the bank!

It is back down to London again next week which will be hard but although the results have not gone our way the performances have been in general good and we will be looking to go to Griffin Park for a win.

Your support as ever has been good and we know it is tough on the pocket with all these long trips, we appreciate your support.

Crank up the volume today and let's see if we can reciprocate with goals.

Cheers
Greegs.



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DARREN BYFIELD



This afternoon's game could see Darren Byfield on the same pitch as Swindon's Gordon Greer - something they never managed during their time together at Doncaster Rovers.

Byfield joined Doncaster in July last year and made nine appearances before spending two months on loan at Boundary Park. He finished the season at the Keepmoat Stadium before returning to Latics on a short term deal at the start of the season.

Byfield has yet to open his account this season but he has scored goals wherever he has played, and is approaching 100 in all competitions throughout his career.

His first senior goal came while on loan at Preston North End from Aston Villa, and he has enjoyed productive spells at Rotherham, Gillingham and Millwall, where he found the net over 50 times.

He also played a key role during Bristol City's push for promotion from the Championship in 2008, which ultimately ended in defeat at Wembley.

There's no doubt that Byfield will score goals if given the opportunity, and that will be his intention as he aims to help our push for promotion.

GORDON GREER



Like Byfield, Greer started last season with Doncaster, having signed a year earlier choosing Rovers instead of Athletic who were interested at that time, he also spent several months on loan at his current club.

The 28-year-old defender impressed during the loan period at the end of last season, and was subsequently made captain after making a permanent switch to the County Ground in the summer.

His season got off to the worst possible start as Swindon were thumped 5-0 at Gillingham. However, they have since bounced back, keeping successive clean sheets in the league and progressing in the Carling Cup.

Born in Glasgow, Greer has been capped at 'B' level by Scotland and began his career there with Clyde.

A move to Premiership side Blackburn Rovers followed, although his only appearance for the club came in their second round League Cup victory against Oldham - the competition Rovers went on to win that season.

He enjoyed a better time on his return to Scotland where he made well over 100 appearances for Kilmarnock, before returning south to Doncaster.

Although they never appeared together in Doncaster's first-team, Greer will be well aware of the threat that Byfield can pose, and knows he will have to be at his best to frustrate Byfield and help Swindon continue their good form.





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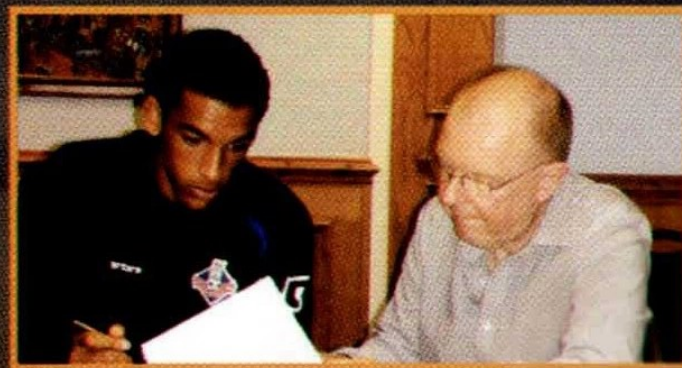
The runner up prize of £100 of J.D. Sports vouchers was ticket number 00542. James Knowles from Eccleshall was the winner.

You could be the next big winner today, purchase your £1 ticket tickets today before kick-off.

RENE'S INJURY WOE

Rene Steer, Latics young left back came a real cropper in training earlier this week and ended up in hospital with serious facial injuries. The young Latics star had to undergo surgery following a stray elbow in training resulting in damage to his teeth and jaw.

Rene's family journeyed up from London to be with him in the North Manchester Hospital. Everyone at Boundary Park wishes Rene a speedy recovery.



ACCRINGTON STANLEY HERE IN JOHNSTONE PAINT TROPHY

The draw for the first round of the Johnstones Paint Trophy paired Latics with Lancashire neighbours Accrington Stanley.

The game will take place here at Boundary Park on Tuesday 1st September with a 7.45pm kick-off. Admission prices have been set at £10 adult, £5 over 65's with under 16's gaining free admission on the night. The Detect All stand will not be open for this fixture.

It will be a busy week for Latics...3 days later Hartlepool United come to Boundary Park on Friday 4th September in a Coca Cola League 1 fixture (7.45pm)

BLACKMAN SIGNS FROM BLACKBURN

Latics manager Dave Penney swooped into the market again on Thursday and signed Blackburn Rovers striker Nick Blackman on a month's loan.

The 19-year-old scored against Athletic in a pre-season friendly and also scored his first Football League goal for Blackpool whilst on loan at

the seaside club last season. Nick is expected to be included in the Latics squad for this afternoon's game with Swindon.

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SCOTT LOVES A CHINESE!

Scott Claber recently visited China and took to walking the Great Wall of China...well part of it any way! As a life-long Latics fan Scott could not miss the opportunity to show off his new Latics away shirt. Not too sure what the lady in red behind Scott is thinking...perhaps she worked on making the shirt!!!! If you have a holiday snap wearing your Latics colours let us have it. You could find yourself in Latics Matchday programme.

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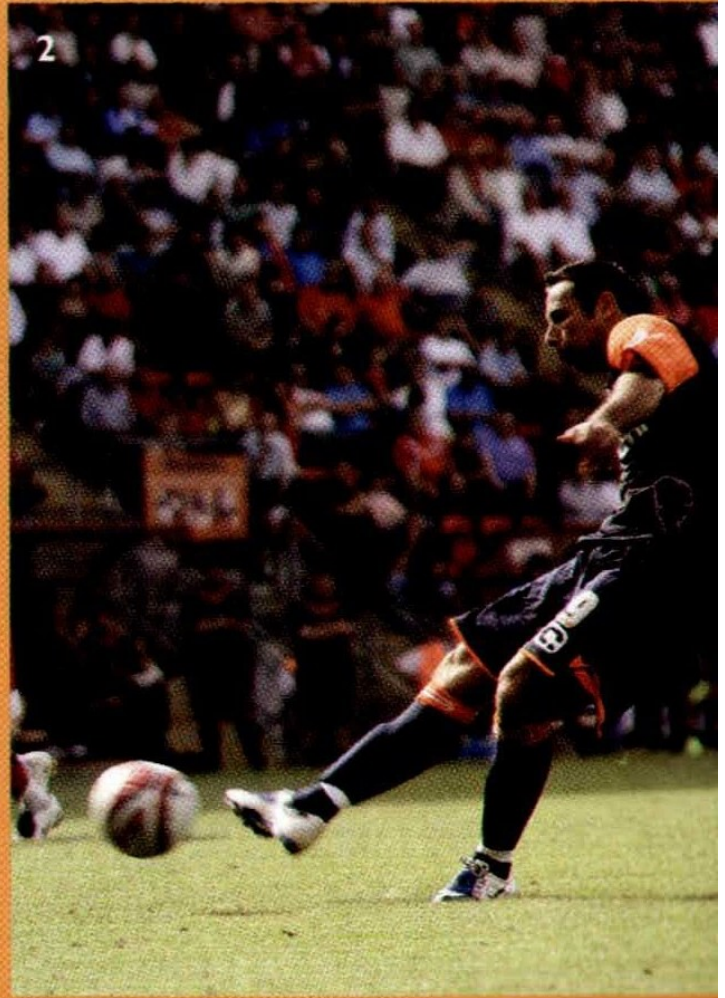
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OLDHAM ATHLETIC 2

OPPOSITION



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1. Andy Holdsworth is floored under the challenge of Orient's Stephen Purches, penalty said referee Graham Scott.
2. Pawell Abbot scores his and Latics 2nd goal of the day from the penalty spot.
3. Keigan Parker is closely watched by Orient's Charlie Daniels.
4. Darren Byfield holds off the challenge from Ben Chorley.
5. Double goal-scorer Pawel Abbott wins this race with Tamika Mkandawire.



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Beautiful Game

THE GIMMICK GAFFER



Sven at Notts County... weird...

It's strange what lengths some clubs will go to in an attempt to gain attention isn't it?

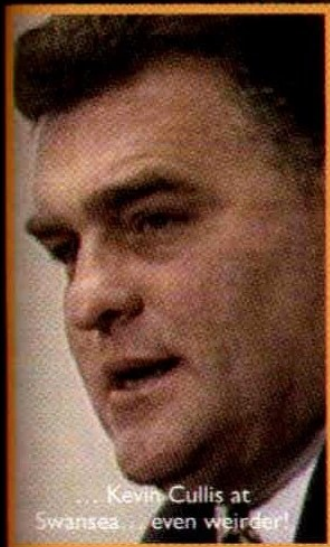
What's the deal at Notts County? Former England manager Sven-Goran Eriksson recently joined them as Director of football (obviously accompanied by his bezzie friend, Tord Gripp). Sven himself described the challenge ahead as his

toughest test yet – no kidding fella, that's an understatement. The Swede has always said that he wanted to come back to English football as he sees the Premier League as the best league in the world. Does he realise Notts County are in Coca Cola League Two? After County were taken over by new Middle Eastern owners, Sven was approached and eyebrows were raised when he turned up at Meadow Lane to greet the 85 fans who had gathered – that's almost as many folk that turn up for their home matches last season! Notts County, formed in 1862, are the oldest football club in the world and at 61 years of age Sven has been around for most of Notts' existence so he should know their History quite well – and still chose to go there!!! Sure, it will bring in a lot

more punters who may have steered clear of the club in recent seasons but it's what happens on the pitch that counts, isn't it? County don't appear to have splashed the cash in the transfer market apart from signing Lee Hughes, but boy oh boy haven't County got off to a flyer!!.. However I wonder how long Sven will stick it out? It's just another novelty idea at the end of the day, a publicity stunt if you like. Similar things have happened in the past. Former England player and fans favourite Paul Gascoigne had a short reign as manager of Kettering Town (39 Days) under new owner Imraan Ladak previously. However, after pulling in the extra fans and a adding a few coffers to the pot, he was 'relieved of his duties'. Chairman Mr. Ladak described Gazza as "unable to carry out his duties" due

to the influence of alcohol. He knew from the word 'Go' that Gazza had issues with booze but still hired him.

If you think 39 days is a 'short' reign as manager, then what about poor old Leroy Rosenior, the former Torquay United manager. He remained firmly in his position as manager for approximately 10 MINUTES. Rosenior was unveiled as Torquay's new boss, did the interviews and the press conference whilst takeover talks were being held. Shortly afterwards, he was told that the club had been sold and the new owners didn't require his services! Prior to Leroy Rosenior holding the record for short term management tenures, the shortest in charge of an English football was that of Dave Bassett amassing a total of four days as Crystal Palace manager in 1984.



... Kevin Cullis at Swansea ... even weirder!

So there are some short term gimmick gaffers but how many others have there been? Well, which club do you choose after you've had a World Cup win, reached the final of the Euro 2004 Championship and managed Premier League side Chelsea? Of course you'd opt for the heady heights of Bunyodkor FC, the champions of Uzbekistan. That's exactly what Luis Filipe Scolari did! 1966 World cup captain and winner, the Football legend himself, Bobby Moore stunned the football world in 1979 when he took over the post of manager at Oxford City who were in the Eighth tier of the English football league pyramid. After a year in the job, Moore left the post, Oxford City played the following season in the Ninth tier of the English football league pyramid – whoops!

One of the weirdest of managerial appointments of all time - yes, even weirder than that of Sven Goran Erikson going to Notts County for the 2009/10 season, is that of PE teacher Kevin Cullis who was appointed by Swansea City in 1996. Then in the third division and looking to save a few quid, the Swansea City new owners opted to employ a man with absolutely no professional football experience as their new manager. One week later, he must have wished he'd stayed in the classroom as his reign ended prematurely!

Perhaps Mr Cullis should have taken things one step at a time and not jumped straight into football management – he should have taken a leaf out of Dario Gradi's book. Gradi was a former PE teacher at what is now Loughborough University. After turning to football coaching, Gradi became Assistant coach of Chelsea. Dario Gradi is best known for his remarkable stint as manager of Crewe Alexandra where he spent a record breaking 24-years as manager between 1983 and 2007. He stepped down as manager in 2007 and became technical director remaining at Crewes' Gresty Road.

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LEYTON ORIENT 1 OLDHAM ATHLETIC 2

Saturday 15th August 2009 Attendance: 4,061 (Latics fans 297)

Latics utilised a 4-3-2-1 formation for the first time this season and it paid dividends when Athletic took the lead after just 11 minutes.

Abbott won the ball on the half way line and found Dean Furman in midfield. He placed a neat through ball back to Abbott, finding the front man in space with time to attack the goal. As he reached the edge of the area Abbott struck a right footed effort that ricocheted off Ben Chorley in the Orient defence and fell back to him. This time he was not to be denied as he coolly smashed the rebound, left footed, past Orient 'keeper Jones. A needless foul by Andy Holdsworth, playing at right back brought the first yellow card of the game and shortly afterwards Peter Gilbert was harshly punished for a pull on Jarvis and was booked by Referee Scott. Only a minute later the home side were level. A low, fast ball in to the six yard box from the Orient right was disastrously left by Captain Sean Gregan and Ryan Jarvis was able to tap the ball passed a stranded Brill in the Latics goal.

There were no changes for either side at half time but on 57 minutes Latics fans

were on the edge of their seats as Sean Gregan threaded a ball out to the left wing for Chris Taylor. Taylor was able to play the overlapping Holdsworth in, only for him to be brought down just inside the 18 yard box by Sean Thornton for a penalty kick. The spot kick was placed

high to the left of Orient 'keeper Jones by Pawel Abbott, to restore Athletic's one goal lead. Athletic were now in the ascendancy and found space all over the park with Furman, Worthington and Whitaker enjoying their triangular 'keep the ball' patterned football which

frustrated Orient to the limit. Latics could have added further goals as the hosts pushed up in search of the equalizer...which never looked like coming and the first 3 points of the season were soon in the bag for Dave Penney's men.



BEAT THE FAN

So the players have struck the first blow in our new-look quiz, Beat The Fan.

Summer signing **JOE JACOBSON** showed off his brain power last time out, setting a high standard for his team mates to match.

This week, **DARREN BYFIELD** steps up to take on Chaddy Ender **RYAN WILLIAMS** who has followed Latics for 10 years...but has Ryan been paying attention to what has been going on in the world or has he been daydreaming of a trip to Wembley?
(Answers at foot of page)

THE QUESTIONS...

LATICS

- 1 Who will Latics play in the first round of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy?
- 2 Name the Stockport goalkeeper who played a blinder against Latics on the first day of this season.
- 3 From which club did Latics sign Dean Furman?
- 4 Who was Latics' second-top goalscorer last season?

SPORT

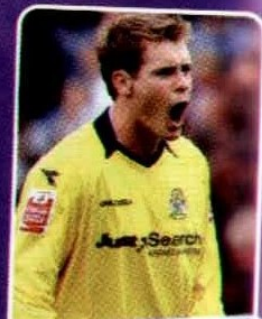
- 1 Rugby League: Which two teams will contest this year's Challenge Cup final?
- 2 In which sport is British teenager Tom Daley a world champion?
- 3 Cricket: England bowler Graham Onions plays for which county team?
- 4 Who scored twice for Chelsea on the opening day of the Premier League season.

MUSIC AND SHOWBIZ

- 1 Name both members of 1980s boy band Wham!
- 2 Who plays Bianca in Eastenders?
- 3 In which decade was the movie classic Casablanca first released?
- 4 Boy was the first album released by which supergroup?

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

- 1 What letter is given to a car number plate when the age or identity of the vehicle is unknown or if it may have been built from parts?
- 2 What is the capital of Sweden?
- 3 Globe and Jerusalem are types of what?
- 4 Which is the world's smallest ocean - Arctic or Pacific?



THEIR ANSWERS...

DARREN



LATICS

1. Accrington Stanley
2. Erm...I should know this...pass.
3. Rangers (Texas Rangers)
4. That would be the Ginger Minger

SPORT

1. Give me a break..Rugby...Pass
2. Swimming
3. No idea...Essex
4. Drogba

MUSIC & SHOWBIZ

1. George Michael and Andy something.
2. Patsy Palmer
3. Same age as Greeg's...40's
4. Pass

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. X
2. That's Stockholm
3. Cities?
4. The Artic



RYAN



LATICS

1. Accrington Stanley
2. Owen Fon Williams
3. Glasgow Rangers
4. Chris Taylor

SPORT

1. I have no idea
2. He's a diver
3. Durham
4. Drogba



MUSIC & SHOWBIZ

1. Who?, Pass.
2. This is getting silly now!
3. 60's
4. Don't know

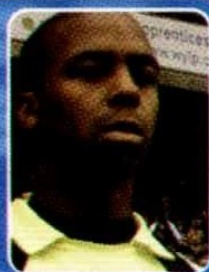
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. V
2. That's Stockholm
3. What...?....No idea
4. Got to be The Artic



THE RESULTS...

DARREN



**DARREN BYFIELD
SCORED 9 RIGHT IN
1 MINUTE 51 SECONDS**

RYAN



**RYAN SCORED 10
CORRECT IN
EXACTLY 2 MINUTES**

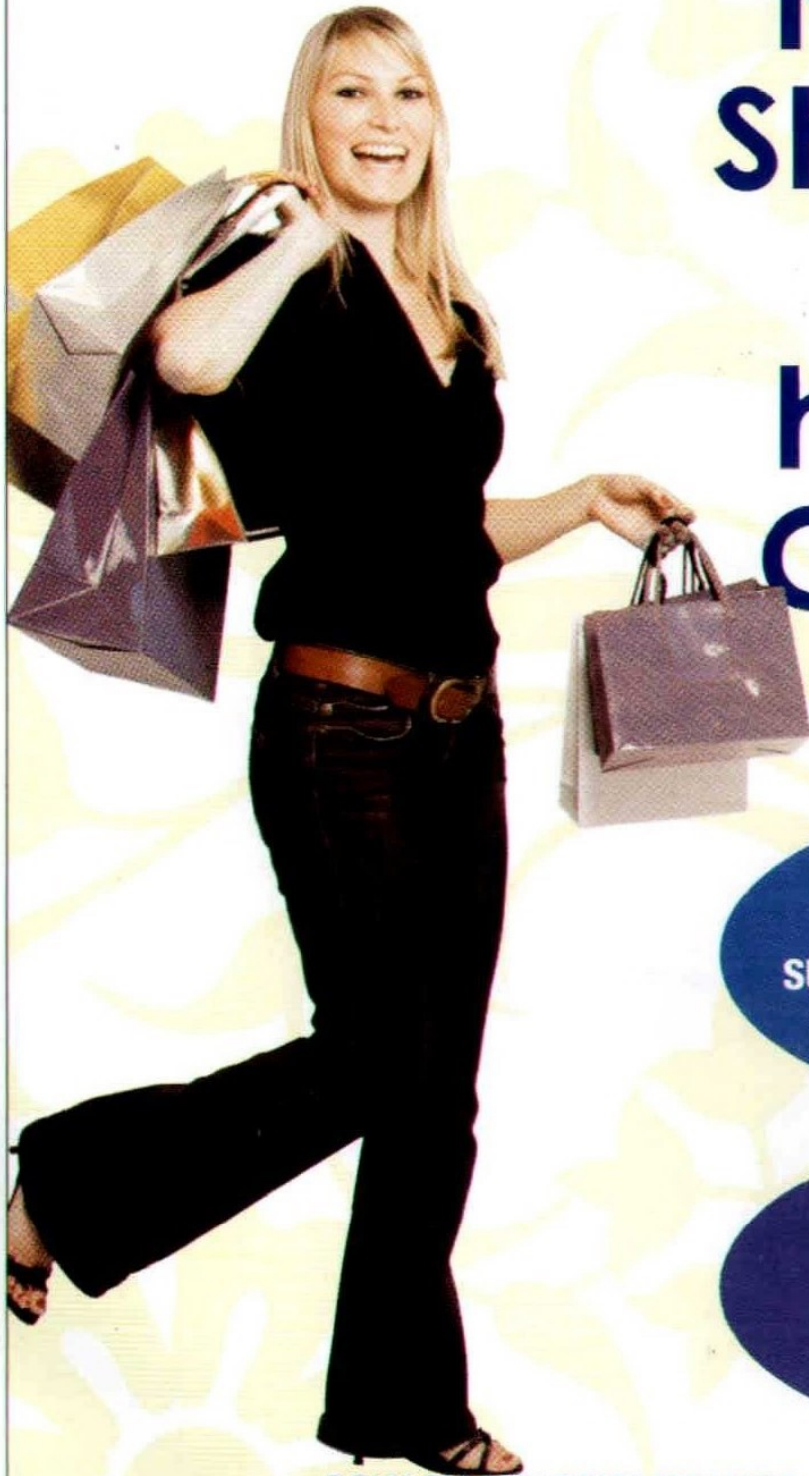
SO RYAN WINS TO LEVEL THE SCORES AT 1-1!

Accrington Stanley; 2 Owen Fon Williams; 3 Rangers; 4 Chris Taylor; SPORT: 1 Warrington and Huddersfield; 2 Diving; 3 Durham; 4 Didier Drogba. MUSIC AND SHOWBIZ: 1 George Michael and Andrew Ridgeley; 2 Patsy Palmer; 3 The 1960's; 4 No idea. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: 1 X; 2 Stockholm; 3 Arctic; 4 Arctic.

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YOUTH TEAM

**SATURDAY 15th
AUGUST 2009.**

**PUMA FA YOUTH
ALLIANCE LEAGUE**

**Oldham Athletic 7
Accrington Stanley 0**

Eaves (4), McGrath (2), Hughes

An emphatic start to the season for Latics, as they totally dominated the game and could even possibly have scored more goals. Athletic didn't start the game particularly well, defensively they were sound but their use of the ball at times left a lot to be desired. Tom Eaves put Latics ahead rather fortunately when the Accrington goalkeeper slipped attempting to save his long range shot.

Latics produced many opportunities to create goal-scoring chances but a poor final ball continuously let them

down. However, two goals within the space of five minutes at the end of the first half, a 20-yard strike by Phillip McGrath and a well worked set piece where Kirk Millar headed back across goal for Eaves to score from close range made the 3-0 half time lead look a little flattering.

Half-Time Latics 3 Stanley 0

Within two minutes of the re-start McGrath turned in a Kirk Millar cross to make it 4-0 and this really settled Latics down and they looked very threatening every time they went forward.

Defensively concentration levels were very good and any opportunities Accrington had going forward were soon snuffed out and before the end of the game, two more strikes from Tom Eaves and a far post header from Connor Hughes meant that Latics run out very comfortable 7-0 winners.



**YOUTH TEAM APPEARANCES 2009-2010
UPDATED 17 August 2009**

NAME		LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL	
		P	G	P	G	P	G
DJENY	BEMBO-LETA	1	0	0	0	1	0
MATT DAVID	CARR	1	0	0	0	1	0
MATT ANDREW	CARR	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEEROY	CHINTHENGAH	0	0	0	0	0	0
RICHARD	COWAN	1	0	0	0	1	0
ANDREW	CROMPTON	1	0	0	0	1	0
TOM	EAVES	1	4	0	0	1	4
LAQUAN	ESDAILE	1	0	0	0	1	0
CONNOR	HUGHES	1	1	0	0	1	1
GREG	KIDD	1	0	0	0	1	0
BEN	LYSONS	0	0	0	0	0	0
WILL	McCALL	1	0	0	0	1	0
PHIL	McGRATH	1	2	0	0	1	2
DAVID	MELLOR	0	0	0	0	0	0
KIRK	MILLAR	1	0	0	0	1	0
RICO	RAMSEY	0	0	0	0	0	0
JOSH	ROSE	1	0	0	0	1	0
SHAUN	ROUTLEDGE	0	0	0	0	0	0
JAMES	TARKOWSKI	1	0	0	0	1	0
ANTHONY	WHITE	1	0	0	0	1	0
NICKI	ZAICEVS	1	0	0	0	1	0

**OLDHAM ATHLETIC FC
YOUTH TEAM FIXTURES
2009/2010**

**DATE
AUGUST**

Sat 15 Accrington Stanley W 7-0
Sat 22 Carlisle Utd AWAY 11.30 KO

Sat 29 Wrexham HOME

SEPTEMBER

Sat 5 Bury AWAY

Sat 12 Preston NE HOME

Sat 19 Burnley AWAY

Sat 26 Blackpool HOME

OCTOBER

Sat 3 Chesterfield HOME

Sat 10 Morecambe AWAY

Sat 17 Rochdale AWAY

Sat 24 Preston NE AWAY 10.30 KO

Sat 31 Bury HOME

NOVEMBER

Sat 7 YA Cup 2

Sat 14 Blackpool AWAY

Sat 21 Burnley HOME

Sat 28 In service training

DECEMBER

Sat 5 Rochdale HOME

Sat 12 Morecambe HOME

JANUARY

Sat 9 Accrington Stanley AWAY

Sat 16 YA Cup 3

Sat 23 Carlisle Utd HOME

Sat 30 Tranmere Rovers AWAY

FEBRUARY

Sat 6 Stockport County HOME

Sat 13 Tranmere Rovers AWAY

Sat 20 YA Cup semi-final

Sat 27 Walsall HOME

MARCH

Sat 6 Shrewsbury Town AWAY 1200 KO

Sat 13 Wigan Athletic HOME

Sat 20 Wrexham AWAY

Sat 27 Chester City HOME

APRIL

Sat 10 Macclesfield Town AWAY

Sat 17 Port Vale HOME

MAY

Sat 22 In service training

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FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES SEASON 08-09

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PLAYER	LGE		CUP		TOT	
	P	G	P	G	P	G
ABBOTT	3	2	1	0	4	2
ALESSANDRA	1	0	1	0	2	0
BLACK	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRILL	3	0	1	0	4	0
BROOKE	0	0	0	0	0	0
BYFIELD	3	0	1	0	4	0
DAWSON	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLEMING	0	0	0	0	0	0
FURMAN	3	0	1	0	4	0
GILBERT	3	0	1	0	4	0
GREGAN	3	0	1	0	4	0
HAZELL	3	0	1	0	4	0
HOLDSWORTH	3	0	1	0	4	0
JACOBSON	0	0	0	0	0	0
KAZIMIERCZAK	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEE	0	0	0	0	0	0
LOMAX	1	0	0	0	1	0
MARROW	3	0	0	0	3	0
O'GRADY	0	0	1	0	1	0
OJAPAH	0	0	0	0	0	0
OLLERENSHAW	0	0	0	0	0	0
PARKER	3	0	1	0	4	0
PURDY	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROWNEY	0	0	0	0	0	0
SMALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0
STEPHENS	0	0	0	0	0	0
STEER	0	0	0	0	0	0
TAYLOR	2	0	1	0	3	0
WHITAKER	2	0	1	0	3	0
WORTHINGTON	3	0	1	0	4	0

OLDHAM ATHLETIC FIRST TEAM DISCIPLINARY RECORD 2009/2010

	YELLOW ●	RED ●
1 DEAN BRILL (gk)	0	0
3 JOE JACOBSON	0	0
4 JON WORTHINGTON	2	0
5 ANDY HOLDSWORTH	1	0
6 REUBEN HAZELL	1	0
7 DANNY WHITAKER	1	0
8 DEANE SMALLEY	0	0
9 PAWEL ABBOTT	0	0
10 ROB PURDIE	0	0
11 CHRIS O'GRADY	0	0
12 KELVIN LOMAX	0	0
13 GREG FLEMING (gk)	0	0
14 DEAN FURMAN	1	0
15 LEWIS ALESSANDRA	0	0
16 SEAN GREGAN	0	0
17 KEIGAN PARKER	1	0
18 CHRIS TAYLOR	1	0
20 DALE STEPHENS	0	0
21 PAUL BLACK	0	0
22 RYAN BROOKE	0	0
23 JOSH OLLERENSHAW	0	0
24 LIAM DAWSON	0	0
25 CHRIS ROWNEY	0	0
26 ALEX MARROW	1	0
27 PETER GILBERT	1	0
28 PRZEMYSLAW KAZIMIERCZAK	0	0
29 DARREN BYFIELD	0	0
30 NICK BLACKMAN	0	0

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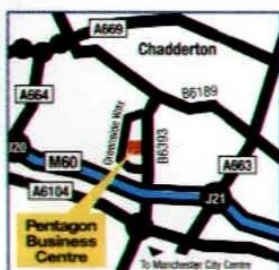
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TV TIMES



Latics On TV

JOHN GILDER takes a look at Latics' fortunes in front of the television cameras down the years.

By the start of the 1976-77 campaign, the name of Oldham Athletic was an established one in the second tier of English football.

This season saw Latics in their third season in the old division two, rubbing shoulders with the likes of Bolton Wanderers, Chelsea, Blackburn Rovers, Fulham and Southampton.

Another established club in that division was Blackpool and, on Saturday, January 15, Granada's 'Kick-Off Match' cameras were at Boundary Park to record the



local derby encounter between the promotion-chasing Seasiders and an in-form Latics side managed by Jimmy Frizzell, the highlights to be screened the following day.

In those days, 'Kick-Off' was a regular feature on Granada television on Friday evenings, presented by Gerald Sinstadt.

All the North West clubs got a mention and there was always a hint as to which match would be screened on the Sunday.

Oh for the days of regional television as it was, as far as soccer coverage was concerned.

Granada's Kick-Off Match coverage included Manchester United, Manchester City, Liverpool, Everton, Bolton Wanderers, Blackburn Rovers, Blackpool, Tranmere Rovers and Latics.

I can't ever remember Rochdale matches being screened and, in case you're wondering where Wigan Athletic were in this equation, well, they weren't even in the Football League yet.

Each region in Great Britain showcased its clubs in this way - for example, Tyne Tees Television showed the likes of Newcastle United, Middlesbrough, Sunderland, Hartlepool and Darlington, the latter two clubs not getting as much of a look-in as the big three for viewing figures reasons.

But back to Latics v Blackpool on a cold January afternoon, the third such fixture in consecutive seasons.

Following the previous match at Hull City - David Irving on target in a 1-0 win - manager Frizzell named an unchanged side which read: John Platt, Ian Wood, Maurice Whittle, Graham Bell, Keith Hicks, John Hurst, Les Chapman, Ian Robins, Vic Halom, David Irving, Carl Valentine.

The absence of a TV gantry meant that the Granada cameras loomed over the top of the Broadway stand on huge hydraulic platforms, perfectly positioned to capture the only goal of the game, scored by Irving with a deft, glancing header from a right wing Carl Valentine cross.

It was Irving's fifth goal of the season following his free-transfer signing from Everton the previous summer and, in a total

of 18 appearances in a Latics shirt, the Cumbrian managed seven goals.

He will be remembered as an incredibly hard-working striker, but injuries restricted his appearances and he eventually moved to America.

Latics certainly had the Indian sign over Blackpool in those days and this was the third consecutive victory by the same scoreline at Boundary Park.

Colin Garwood was on target for the Latics in 1974-75, while Ronnie Blair scored in 1975-76.

This winning sequence was to continue for another season - Vic Halom scoring both Latics' goals in a 2-1 victory in 1977-78, the season that Blackpool were relegated to the old division three.

This fixture attracted big crowds - 12,506 were at Boundary Park for the Kick-Off match, while the turnstiles clicked 15,308 times a season later.

It wasn't the first time that Latics had featured in the Kick-Off match - that occasion came in the early 1970s when Aston Villa were the visitors to Boundary Park, but more of that horror story another time...



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Dearden's Diary

I've got a question for you - why are you here? The simple answer is you want to see Latics

As someone who gets paid to talk about football, I so often get caught up in the technicalities of the game. We may wax lyrical over a sublime 50-yard pass, or a wonder save, but all we really want is one thing - that emotional pinnacle of a goal.

The point was brought home to me by my nephew Harry, who attended the Stockport game on the opening day - his first game as a Boundary Park season ticket holder. After 20-minutes he summed up football as only a 6-year-old could... "Dad, isn't someone supposed to score?"

For, at the end of the day, however we dress it up, football is all about goals - and however much we revere the other great skills of our game, the rarity of the men that

can perform the most vital task, shows that hitting the net is still the most difficult job to perform.

And that's why strikers are worth their weight in gold. They get the glory, the adulation, but with that comes the pressure. It's often said that you're only as good as your last game. But for those charged with winning vital points you are sometimes only as good as your last kick.

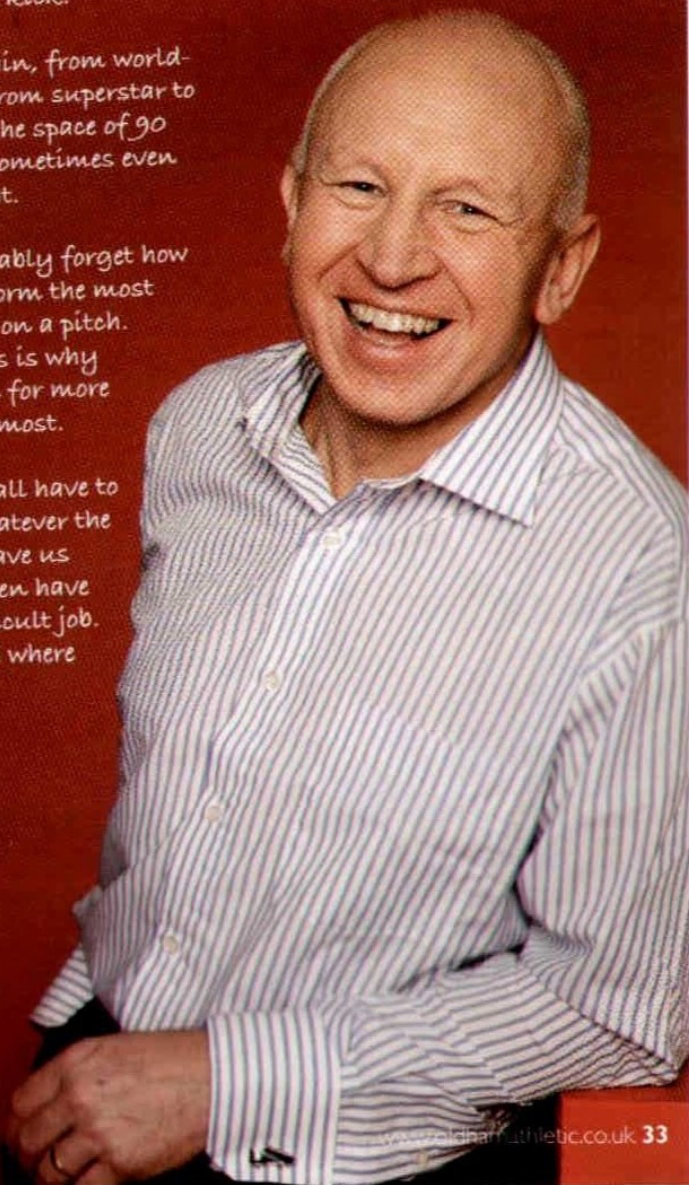
From hero to villain, from world-beater to clown, from superstar to donkey - all in the space of 90 minutes... and sometimes even quicker than that.

As fans, we probably forget how hard it is to perform the most important duty on a pitch. And perhaps this is why strikers come in for more criticism than most.

But maybe we all have to realise that, whatever the media would have us believe, these men have THE most difficult job. And in a world where

£80 million players can miss, it is clear that there isn't a striker anywhere who will ever achieve perfection.

So next time you hear the infamous ditty, "my granny could've scored that" - join me in a wry smile... Ethel Smith has obviously been overlooked - maybe Dave Penney should send the scouts to the bingo next week!



LATICS THROUGH

with Leigh Edwards and Gordon Lawton

AUGUST

1953

SECOND CLASS RETURN

Newly promoted Oldham Athletic began life back in the Second Division with a visit to Luton Town on 19th August 1953. Two goals by Bobby McIlvenny plus others from Peter McKennan and Eric Gemmell gave Latics a thrilling 4-4 draw in front of 22,822 at Kenilworth Road: George Burnett, Lewis Brook, George Hardwick, Les Smith, Archie Whyte, Ken Brierley, Rex Adams, Peter McKennan, Eric Gemmell, Bobby McIlvenny, Billy Ormond. It was Oldham Athletic's first match in the Second Division for 18 years but George Hardwick's side failed to win any of their opening eight games. Latics became rooted to the foot of the table and were relegated.

1961

SHACKLETON'S POOLS WIN

Alan Shackleton's hat-trick plus goals by Brian Jarvis and Bobby Johnstone gave Oldham Athletic an exciting 5-2 Fourth Division victory over Hartlepool United in front of 12,777 at Boundary Park on 30th August 1961: Jim Rollo, Ian Greaves, John McCue, Brian Jarvis, Alan Williams, Jim Scott, John Bazley, Jimmy Frizzell, Alan Shackleton, Bobby Johnstone, John Colquhoun. Former Burnley, Leeds United and Everton centre-forward Alan Shackleton had scored on his Latics' debut four days earlier in a 2-2 draw at home to Colchester United. He netted seven goals in ten Fourth Division games for Oldham Athletic before being displaced by Eric Lister.

1973

LOCHHEAD JOINS LATICS

Former Scotland U-23 centre-forward Andy Lochhead moved from Aston Villa to Oldham Athletic for £15,000 in August 1973. He had topped Burnley's goalscoring charts three times in the top-flight before

joining Leicester City for £80,000 in October 1968, appearing in the 1969 FA Cup final. Moving to Aston Villa for £30,000 in February 1970, he helped them reach the League Cup final in 1971 and win the Third Division title in 1971-72. He was given his Latics debut in the 0-0 draw at Halifax Town and featured prominently in the 1973-74 Third Division title campaign, netting ten goals in 45 League outings while at Boundary Park.

1985

ATKINSON REJOINS LATICS

Midfielder Paul Atkinson rejoined Oldham Athletic from Watford for a cut-price £30,000 in August 1985. A former apprentice at Boundary Park, he had turned professional in August 1979 and scored on his League debut in that month's 3-2 defeat at Newcastle United. He was sold to Watford for £175,000 in July 1983 and came on as substitute in the 1984 FA Cup final. His first match back in Latics' colours was a 1-0 defeat at eventual champions Norwich and he was destined to score 12 goals in 176 League games overall. England U-21 left-back John Ryan also returned to Oldham Athletic in August 1985, costing £25,000 from Sheffield Wednesday.

1987

ROYLE SIGNS RITCHIE

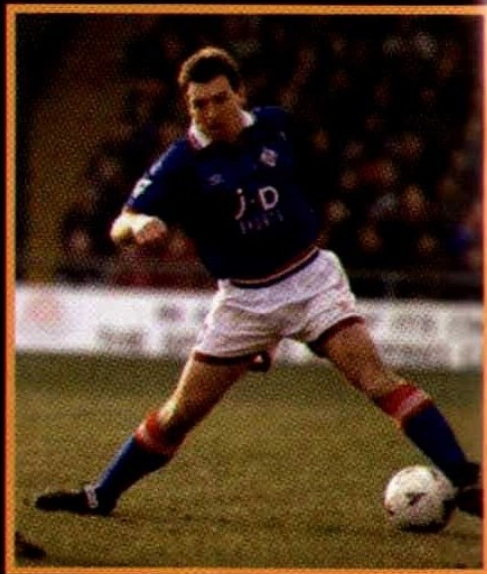
Former England U-21 striker Andy Ritchie joined Oldham Athletic from Leeds United in a £50,000 deal settled by tribunal in August 1987. Initially

with Manchester United, he had moved to Brighton for £500,000 in October 1980 and joined Leeds United in exchange for Terry Connor in March 1983. He was destined to finish as Latics' leading marksman in 1987-88 and became a popular figure at Boundary Park, helping reach the 1990 Littlewoods Cup final and win the Second Division title in 1990-91. Other transfers in August 1987 saw central defender Kevin Moore join Southampton and Glenn Keeley signed from Blackburn Rovers as his replacement.

1989

HOLDEN JOINS LATICS

Joe Royle paid £165,000 to Watford for winger Rick Holden in August 1989. A former student at Leeds Polytechnic, he had impressed with Halifax Town before moving to Watford for £125,000 in March 1988. He replaced the departed Tommy Wright on Oldham Athletic's left wing and starred as Joe Royle's team were



Rick Holden

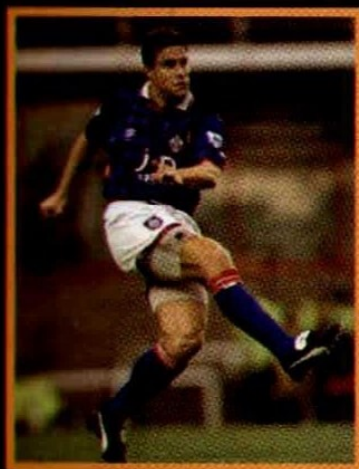
THE YEARS

Littlewoods Cup finalists in 1990 and Second Division champions in 1990-91. Destined to score 19 times in 129 League outings before joining Manchester City in July 1992, he later returned to Boundary Park. England U-21 winger Neil Adams joined Oldham Athletic from Everton for £100,000 in August 1987 after a loan spell.

1990

MARSHALL TAMES WOLVES

Ian Marshall grabbed a hat-trick in Oldham Athletic's exciting 3-2 Second Division win over Wolverhampton Wanderers watched by 20,864 at Molineux on 25th August 1990. Jon Hallworth, Paul Warhurst, Andy Barlow, Neil Redfern, Earl Barrett, Andy Holden, Neil Adams (Roger Palmer), Andy Ritchie, Ian Marshall, Willie Donachie (Paul Moulden), Rick Holden. It was the opening match of the season and Ian Marshall went on to finish leading marksman as Latics won the Second Division title. Joe Royle's side won their opening five matches to emerge as early pace-setters and remained unbeaten until a 1-0 defeat at Port Vale in mid-November.



Sean McCarthy

1991

ROYLE RECRUITS KILLER

Former England U-21 central defender Brian Kilcline joined Oldham Athletic from Coventry City for £400,000 in August 1991. Initially with Notts County, he had joined Coventry for £60,000 in June 1984 and captained their 1987 FA Cup final triumph. 'Killer' made his debut for newly-promoted Latics in the 1-0 defeat at Manchester United as an injury to Richard Jobson gave him an early run in the side. He was destined to make just eight League appearances while at Boundary Park before sold to Newcastle United for £250,000 in February 1992. Fellow defender Craig Fleming joined Latics from Halifax Town for £80,000 in August 1991.

1994

COUNTY TIED IN NOTTS

Sean McCarthy's hat-trick gave Oldham Athletic a 3-1 First Division victory over Notts County watched by 6,603 at Meadow Lane on 30th August 1994. Paul Gerrard, Gunnar Halle, Chris Makin, Steve Redmond, Richard Jobson, Craig Fleming, Lee Richardson, Mark Brennan, Graeme Sharp, Sean McCarthy, Rick Holden, Welsh B international striker Sean McCarthy had scored twice in Latics' 5-2 win over Charlton Athletic on the opening day of the season, then repeated the feat in the 3-0 victory at home to Burnley. He went on to finish Oldham Athletic's leading marksman in 1994-95. Notts County were destined to finish bottom of the table.

2003

DIAMOND GEEZERS' FIRST VISIT

Rushden & Diamonds made their first League visit to Boundary Park on 30th August 2003. The club,

managed by Brian Talbot, had won the Conference title in 2000-01 and Third Division title in 2002-03. John Sheridan's penalty plus goals by Will Haining and Matt O'Halloran gave Oldham Athletic a 3-2 Second Division victory in front of 5,469. Les Pogliacomi, Paul Murray, David Eyres, Mark Hudson, Dean Holden, Will Haining, Michael Clegg (Matt O'Halloran), John Sheridan (Carlos Roca), Mickael Antoine-Curier (Scott Vernon), John Eyre, Ernie Cooksey. It was Latics' solitary victory in their opening eight League matches of the 2003-04 campaign.

Ian Marshall

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OBITUARY

John Edward Derek Howard
 1930-2009

Latics lost a good friend recently with the untimely death of a former employee in Derek Howard. Derek who lived in Mossley worked in the

Boundary Park commercial office in the 'Glory Years' period 1988-1995.

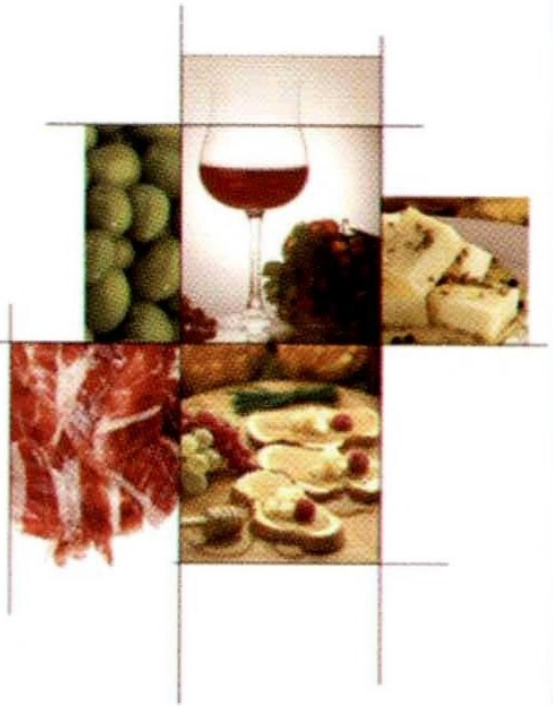
A larger than life person, with his trilby hat to the 'fore', Derek always worked with a smile on his face.

Running the Strike it Lucky draw and his famous golf days Derek gained many friends.

Oldham Athletic would like to offer deepest condolences at this very sad time to Derek's wife Madge, children Christine and Margaret and the all the Howard family.

"While we are mourning the loss of our friend, others are rejoicing to meet him behind the veil."

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Boundary Blues

Welcome

Welcome to Boundary Park for the second home game of the season.

We would like to extend our welcome to the Junior Robins visiting today and look forward to the trip down to the County Ground later in the season.

This season promises to be exciting with so many new faces and real optimism that in a tough division we can do well. Today sees us entertain Swindon Town who took 4 points off Latics last season.

With so many new faces we would like to welcome all the new players to Boundary Park and we look forward to giving you all our support and encouragement for the season ahead.

MATCH MASCOT



Today's mascot is 14 year old Cameron Sinclair.

Cameron attends the Blue Coat School and enjoys playing football, cricket and watching Latics!

Chris Taylor is Cameron's favourite player and he predicts a 3-1 win for Athletic today.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

A very happy Birthday in August to the following Boundary Blues!

Lee Bradley, Aaron Benyon, Jason Colin, Matthew Farthing, Mathew Gilder, Jonathan Hendry, Nathan Kelly, Michael Andrew, Ryan Mawdsley, Aidan Patterson, Matthew Robinson, Ryan Smith, Ethan Stacey, Matthew Wyke.

BOUNDARY BLUES AWAY TRIPS

With so many teams from the Midlands and south of England in League One this year we will be limited in terms of the number of trips we can arrange to away games due to the long travelling distances. We will be running some trips with the first being Bristol Rovers away on Sat 12th September. Further details in future newsletters and this page of the programme throughout the season.

BB WORD SEARCH

Can you find the names of the 12 Latics players?

O	D	E	E	R	F	T	P	T	
I	H	G	A	S	Q	U	U	G	R
H	P	A	R	K	E	R	E	R	E
P	A	S	D	Z	D	M	I	E	K
Y	T	Z	L	I	H	A	I	G	A
H	T	A	E	G	U	N	G	A	T
T	O	R	Y	L	I	B	N	N	I
F	B	Y	E	L	L	A	M	S	H
S	B	P	M	K	O	V	S	E	W
X	A	M	O	L	B	R	I	L	L

HARDLEY
TAYLOR
BRILL
ABBOTT

PARKER
FURMAN
LOMAX
PURDIE

SMALLEY
WHITAKER
HAZELL
GREGAN



Bit of a strange situation we're stuck in at the moment, one minute we are ripping teams apart, and the next were opening up and letting teams walk through us. I have total faith in Sir David of Penneyshire though, I know he will come good for us and

have us winning lots of games. I am writing these notes the morning after the Millwall game, even though I didn't go I have been told we played very well and did not deserve to be beaten, but I suppose that's football for you, one game you play terribly and win, the next you play brilliantly and lose. Let's just hope we can turn that all around in today's game against Swindon, they are breathing down our necks in the table at this early stage but I know we will pull away today and start heading up that table.

I'm really going to enjoy the game today as I might be missing the next home match as I am planning a little sunshine break. I've not been away all summer as I have been busy doing appearances so now seems like the perfect time. I might also be missing for the Yeovil game in October as it's the mascot Grand National that weekend and I have decided I should return to give it another go.

Let's hope that today is when our season really starts to pick up, we need to start heading up that table before the "big clubs" like Leeds (haha) start to pull away, and Huddersfield Town don't look to be doing so bad either!. I will be doing my bit for the cause on the sidelines, make sure you do your bit by cheering the lads on.

See you on the terraces,

Chaddy.



Chaddy CHIRPS!

LATICS ALPHABET



A Is for Actor/ Actress... your favourite?

Denzil Washington he is a great actor and also Angolina Jolie, she is very good looking!

B Is for Boots... your first pair... your last pair?

A pair of very cheap Patrick's, now I were Predators, I really like the blades.

C Is for Cupid... your dream date?

Ciara she is a singer and Very Nice!!

D Is for Dinner... what's on the menu tonight?

Now you are going to laugh at this one... I will be going to Subway, I love it...but I only eat the healthy stuff!

E Is for your most Embarrassing moment?

When I was playing for Bolton Wanderers I received a back pass from my fullback, without thinking about it I picked it up...a free kick was awarded and Derby County scored the only goal of the game from it. Embarrassing or what!!

F Is for Food... what's your favourite dish?

Nalesniki...it is a Polish dish, basically it is pancakes with jam and cream. yummy.

G Is for Goal... your best... your worst?

Being a goalkeeper you would think I hadn't scored goals but I have. When I was playing for LKS Lodtz in Poland I was on the subs bench and we were winning 3-0, with 10 minutes to go the coach told me to go on the pitch upfront and cause havoc...I did and I scored the 4th goal with an unstoppable header.

My worst goal was one I conceded in training yesterday from a toe bung from Reuben Hazel...he is to goal-scoring what the Spice girls are to music!!

H Is for Holiday... your best and the one you want to forget

My best holidays are when I go home to Poland to see family and friends. I do not have a worst one because I spend all my holidays back in Poland.

I Is for the biggest Influence on your career

I would say that was Peter Schmeichel...a foreign goalkeeper making it good in England.

J Is for Job... what would you be doing right now if it wasn't for football?

I would still be studying, I hope to continue mt studies when my football days are over.

K Is for Keys...Your first car...your present car?

The first car I drove was my dad's back in Poland...it was a an Opal Vectra, now I drive a Peugeot 407 which is nice.

L Is for Legend, the 3 hero's ..Sporting, Music ..Life

Peter Schmeichel, ATB who are a dance group and Pope John Paul II.

M Is for your favourite Movie and the last one you watched

I know it is not really a movie but I am addicted to the series '24'...the last film I watched was entitled 'The Wanted'.

N Is for Nickname... at school and at Boundary Park

In Poland when I was at school they nicknamed me 'Kaziu' in England they nicknamed me 'Kaz'. At Bolton they also nicknamed me Schem... I hated that name and thinking about it I probably should not have told you... because I know what is going to happen now!

O Is for Obsession

The Internet, I can spend all day and night on the internet. I use it to talk to friends in Poland as well surfing and games.

P Is for Pin-Up

Eva Mendes...yes please!

Q Is for Question... what would you ask the prime minister?

When are you stepping down?

R Is for Romance... what's her name and where did you meet?

Edyta, we have been seeing each other for 2 years now, she is in Poland at the moment but is coming over soon. We met at a friends party.

S Is for SONG... the best and the worst

The best is 'Mind of the beautiful' by Black and Johns...the worst is anything by Metalica.

T Is for TV Programme what is the Sky box set not to miss?

Soccer AM...and I have also just started watching 'Prison Break'

U Is for Useless... what are you best getting someone else to do?

That one is easy...Cooking, I am useless hence I go to Subway!!



Angelina Jolie...
favourite actress



Nalesniki...
favourite food



Ciara...
Cupid

OPPOSITION

with...

Przemyslaw Kazimierczak (Kaz)

V is for Valuable item, what could you not live without?
My neck chain...My girlfriend gave it to me. I have always wore a crucifix since being a little boy.

W is for Watch What's on your wrist?
There is nothing on my wrist at present...but I have an Armani watch at home.

X is for X-Ray how many have you had and have you broken a bone?
I have never broke a bone (touch wood) what does X-Ray mean?...oh you mean a scan...no...never had one.

Y is for Yesterday... what would you differently if you had a groundhog day?
I never look back...I enjoy every day as it comes if you look back you only bring sadness in to your life!

Z is for Zzz... what time is bed time, Friday night and Saturday night?
Friday is around 11pm....Saturday night is party night so 2pm or 3pm, maybe sometimes 4pm or 5pm! But if we are in training it can also be 10pm.

DISH THE DIRT

Who is the quickest amongst the lads over 100 yards?

I think that would be Darren Byfield, especially if it was dinner time!!

Who has the dodgiest hairstyle?

Sorry Chris, it's Chris Taylor for me.

Who is the joker in the pack?

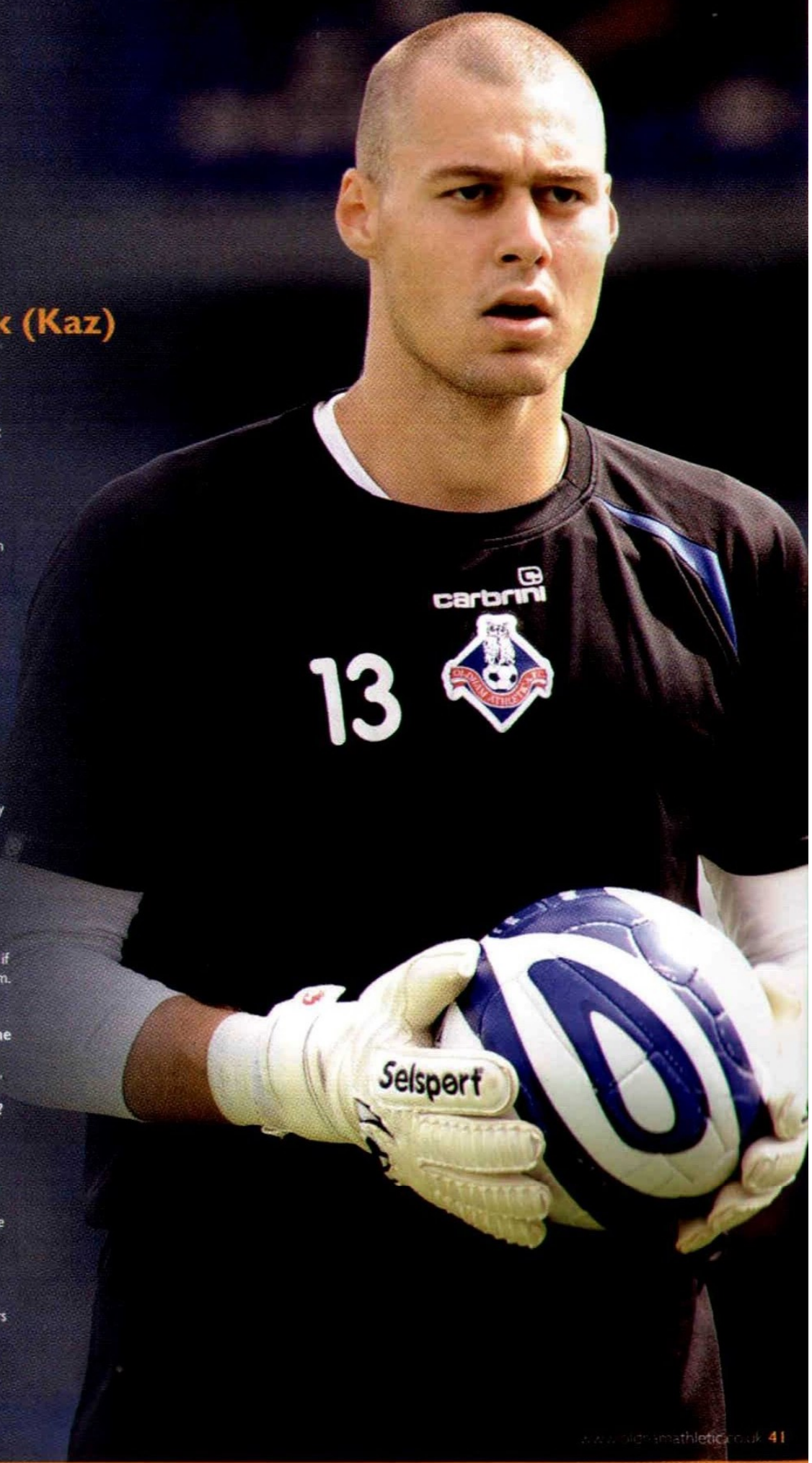
Rob Purdie wins that one

Who is the biggest eater in the Squad?

Chris O'Grady...he eats a lot. More than anyone I have ever seen!!

Who spends the longest in the shower?

Dean Brill wins that one...he would be in there longer if they had mirrors in the shower!!





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MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Dave Penney

Played 2 Won 1 Drawn 1 Lost 0 For 2 Against 1
 Av Pts/game 2.00
Biggest Win(s) L Orient 1 Oldham 2 (15/08/2009). **Biggest Loss(es)** No losses found

Danny Wilson

Played 27 Won 8 Drawn 10 Lost 9 For 36 Against 37
 Av Pts/game 1.26
Biggest Win(s) Won 3-0 on 2 occasions **Biggest Loss(es)** Gillingham 5 Swindon 0 (08/08/2009).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played ..4 | Dave Penney.....2 | Danny Wilson1
 Draws ..1 | Goals 7 | Goals 6

Player with the most...

shots

Pawel Abbott 5

shots on target

Pawel Abbott 4

shots off target

Dean Furman 2

assists

Sean Gregan 0

crosses

Peter Gilbert 3

fouls

Jonathan Worthington 3

free-kicks-won

Sean Gregan 4



GAMES SINCE

0	a win	1
8	a home win	1
0	an away win	0
1	a defeat	2
3	a home defeat	2
1	an away defeat	1
4	a score draw	3
2	a no score draw	0
0	conceding a goal	1
0	scoring a goal	1
5	conceding > 1	2
0	scoring > 1	1
2	keeping a clean sheet	0
1	failing to score	0
31	back to back wins	10
8	back to back defeats	13
0	gaining a point	0
1	losing a point	0
22	win by > one	1
5	loss by > one	2

Player with the most...

shots

Sean Morrison 1

shots on target

Alan O'Brien 1

shots off target

Sean Morrison 1

assists

Sean Morrison 0

crosses

Anthony McNamee 1

fouls

Sean Morrison 2

free-kicks-won

Billy Paynter 2

SHARP SHOOTERS

Oldham	CCFL Cup	Tot	Swindon	CCFL Cup	Tot
Pawel Abbott	2	0 2	Billy Paynter	0	2 2
Alex Marrow	0	0 0	Jon-Paul McGovern	0	1 1
Andy Holdsworth	0	0 0	Alan O'Brien	0	0 0

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played.....38 | Oldham wins14 | Swindon wins14
 Draws10 | Goals 56 (1.5 per game) | Goals 61 (1.6 per game)
 0-0's2 | Times failed to score 10 | Times failed to score 10

Biggest League win at Oldham for each team:

31/03/1997 Oldham 5-1 Swindon
 02/12/1967 Oldham 0-2 Swindon



2009/10 LEAGUE STATS



7	Position	21
2	Played	2
1	Won	0
1	Drawn	1
0	Lost	1
2	Goals For	0
1	Goals Against	5
4	Points	1



Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
0	0	0	6	0	0	1	17

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
1	1	0	6	0	1	0	18

Record When Scoring First

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
1	0	0	9	0	0	0	22

Record When Conceding First

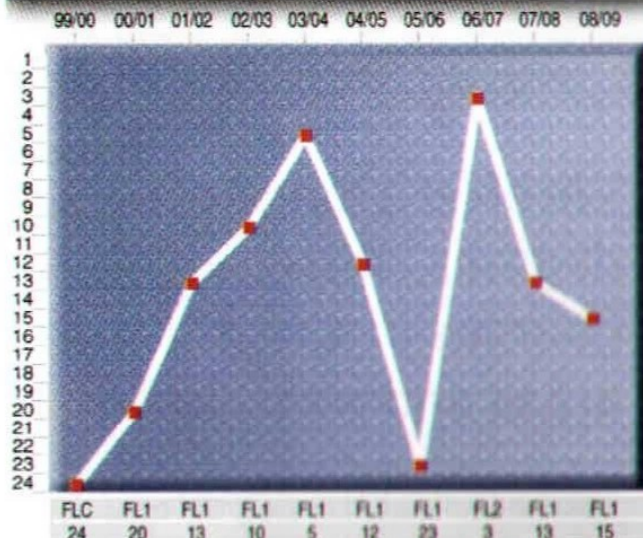
W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
0	0	0	5	0	0	1	12

Match Scores

Wins: 2-1[1], Losses: None, Draws: 0-0[1]

Wins: None, Losses: 0-5[1], Draws: 0-0[1]

SWINDON - TEN SEASON RECORD



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Johnny Eyre heads Latics into a 1-0 lead against Swindon.



Week by week we will delve back in time and uncover a shot from the past between Latics and their opponents.

Today it is **LATICS V ROBINS** in the year 2002.

Dateline: 16th January 2002.

Scoreline:

Oldham Athletic 2 Swindon Town 0

Scorers: John Eyre: 45 mins, 81 mins.

Attendance: 3,970

IMAGE 1

L-R: John Eyre (grounded), David Reeves, Lee Duxbury (grounded), County's Eric Sabin and Paul McAreavey, David Beharall.

John is now a man of all trades, mixing coaching with selling cars and insurance work.

David Reeves is the assistant manager at Gainsborough Trinity.

Lee Duxbury is one of coaches here at Boundary Park.

Eric Sabin is still a member of Swindon Town's squad and could easily be playing this afternoon.

Paul McAreavey is currently playing for Dundalk in Ireland David Beharall operates an internet business (CandidSky) and recently won the 'Entrepreneur of the year' award at the Pride of Oldham awards.

IMAGE 2

Latics Goal scoring hero Johnny Eyre turns away from Town's Alan Reeves and scores Latics second goal. John Eyre played 133 games for Latics scoring on 26 occasions. Alan Reeves spent three seasons (91-94) with our local neighbours, Rochdale, where he made 121 appearances before joining Swindon.



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Paul Lambert

NORWICH have appointed Colchester's Paul Lambert as their new manager after Bryan Gunn became not only the first casualty of the campaign in League One but amongst the whole of the 92 professional clubs.

The Canaries, relegated from the Championship, suffered their heaviest-ever home defeat on the opening day when they lost 7-1, ironically to Lambert's Colchester. As it was against their less high profile East Anglian neighbours, it made the defeat even more painful to stomach. Yet the board bizarrely did not dismiss Gunn, who succeeded Glenn Roeder in January, until midweek and after the team had restored pride with 4-0 victory at Yeovil in the Carling Cup. Norwich last conceded seven goals at Blackburn in 1992 but that year they went on to finish third in the Premier League and qualify for Europe which proves good can still come from such a heavy defeat.

It is proving anything but an easy start for the Canaries, who picked up only one point from their first three matches, as they embark upon life in the third tier of English football for the first time in 49 years.

LEEDS UNITED were one of three teams in League One to attract a crowd of over 20,000 on the opening day.

The visit of Exeter City to Elland Road drew the day's highest attendance of 27,681, which was followed by Norwich who had 25,217 paying customers for the 7-1 home defeat by Colchester and Southampton whose gate against Millwall was 20,103. And in the wake of these three bumper crowds, it was hardly surprising that 45-per-cent more fans watched the opening-day matches in League One compared to 12 months earlier.

SOUTHAMPTON are still in a holy mess screamed one headline after their disappointing start to the season.

They kicked off with the handicap of a 10-point penalty for going into administration and then picked up only one point from their opening three matches to remain minus nine. But the £1 million purchase of Ricky Lambert from Bristol Rovers is a statement of intent from new owner, German-based businessman Markus Loebherr. Lambert scored 29 goals for the Gas last season - the joint highest league total in League One - which made him one of the hottest properties in the lower divisions.

And Lambert was immediately off the mark with a debut goal, though sadly it did not stave off a 3-1 defeat at Huddersfield.

HUDDERSFIELD'S Jordan Rhodes could not be further removed than father Andy, the former Latics player.

While Andy was renowned as a shot-stopper - he appeared for Latics in the 1990 final of the Littlewoods Cup - Oldham-born Jordan, who was born two

months before dad's Wembley appearance for Latics, is a goalscoring sensation.

The 19-year-old, signed in the summer for an undisclosed six-figure sum from Ipswich Town, could not have dreamed of a better start at the Galpharm Stadium after scoring five goals in his first three games.

There was a late equaliser in the opening day 2-2 draw at Southend following by two goals in the 3-1 Carling Cup win against Stockport followed by a further brace in the 3-1 success against Southampton yet amazingly he was not on target in Tuesday's 7-1 win against Brighton.

Jordan came through the Academy at Ipswich scoring once in 10 league appearances and last season had successful loan spells at Rochdale and Brentford scoring seven goals in 14 league games for the Bees.

CHARLTON, despite the club's acute financial troubles stemming from two relegations in three seasons, have clearly adapted best of the three relegated teams from the Championship on the evidence of the opening fortnight of the season.



Jordan Rhodes

The Addicks, playing in the third tier of English football for the first time since 1981, followed their 3-2 opening-day home win against Wycombe with a 2-0 victory at Hartlepool and 2-1 midweek win at Leyton Orient. In the win against Wycombe, manager Phil Parkinson handed debuts to defenders Christian Dailly, Miguel Llera and Frazer Richardson.

The only blemish so far has been the Carling Cup defeat at League Two Hereford where they lost 1-0 after extra time.

HARTLEPOOL caused a major upset in the first round of the Carling Cup by winning at Championship leaders Coventry City.

Striker Adam Boyd, an £80,000 summer signing from Leyton Orient, scored the match-winning goal in extra time which earned a home tie against Premier League club Burnley in round two.

Gillingham also defeated Championship opponents as they overcame Plymouth Argyle to book a home tie against Blackburn Rovers next week.

SOUTHEND are top of the terrace pops after their fan's tribute to striker Dougie Freedman won an X-Factor 'chant off'. Terry Cockell's ditty to the Wombles theme landed him the chant-of-the-year award and an afternoon in the recording studio with John Barnes.

"There were a lot of good performances, but I was delighted to come out on top of the nine other finalists," explained 39-year-old accountant Cockell.

SHARP SHOOTERS

Player	Team	Lge	Cup	Ttl
Jordan Rhodes	Huddersfield	3	2	5
Simeon Jackson	Gillingham	3	1	4
Lee Barnard	Southend	2	2	4
Ian Thomas-Moore	Tranmere	2	1	3
Neil Harris	Millwall	0	3	3
Grant Holt	Norwich	0	3	3
Richard Lambert	Southampton	1	1	2
Darryl Duffy	Bristol Rvs	0	2	2
Myles Weston	Brentford	2	0	2

WHERE TO SEE GOALS (By Ground)

Ground	Home Team	M	Gls	G/Mt
Carrow Road	Norwich	1	8	8.00
Prenton Park	Tranmere	1	6	6.00
KRBS Priestfield Stad	Gillingham	1	5	5.00
The Valley	Charlton	1	5	5.00
The Galpharm Stadium	Huddersfield	1	4	4.00
Banks's Stadium	Walsall	1	4	4.00
Brunton Park	Carlisle	1	4	4.00
Roots Hall	Southend	1	4	4.00
Community Stadium	Colchester	1	3	3.00
The Memorial Stadium	Bristol Rvs	1	3	3.00
Matchroom Stadium	L Orient	1	3	3.00
Elland Road	Leeds	1	3	3.00
Huish Park	Yeovil	1	2	2.00
St Marys Stadium	Southampton	1	2	2.00
Edgeley Park	Stockport	1	2	2.00
Victoria Park	Hartlepool	1	2	2.00
St James Park	Exeter	1	2	2.00
Adams Park	Wycombe	1	1	1.00
Withdean Stadium	Brighton	1	1	1.00
Boundary Park	Oldham	1	0	0.00
stadium:mk	MK Dons	1	0	0.00
County Ground	Swindon	1	0	0.00
The New Den	Millwall	1	0	0.00
Griffin Park	Brentford	1	0	0.00

TEAM LEADERS

Team with the most..

shots on target 17 Charlton. **shots off target** 18 Leeds. **corners** 19 Carlisle. **hit woodwork** 2 Leeds. **offsides** 16 Colchester. **fouls** 33 Huddersfield. **yellow cards** 6 Oldham. **red cards** 1 Huddersfield.

PLAYER POWER

Player with the most..

Shots 9 Jermaine Beckford (Leeds). **Shots on target** 6 Jermaine Beckford (Leeds). **Shots off target** 3 Alan McCormack (Southend). **Assists** 2 Jonjo Shelvey (Charlton). **Crosses** 9 Chris Hackett (Millwall). **Offsides** 3 Liam Dickinson (Brighton). **Fouls** 6 Andy Butler (Huddersfield). **Free-kicks won** 7 Grant Holt (Norwich).



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GOAL COUNTER 64

RIGHT FOOT 34 goals



LEFT FOOT 12 goals



HEADERS 17 goals



Own goals 1 (1.6%), Other body part 0 (0%)

QUICK-FIRE GOALS

From the start of a match

Jo Kuffour (Stockport vs Bristol Rovers) 3:23

By a substitute after coming on

Richard Logan (Exeter vs Norwich) 1:17

DISCIPLINARY



1.3 cards per match



0.1 cards per match

QUICK-FIRE CARDS

From the start of a match

Jo Kuffour (Bristol Rvs vs Leyton Orient) 25:36

By a substitute after coming on

Enoch Showunmi (Leeds vs Exeter) 2:40

SUB TOTALS

Subs used117

Offsides147

Corners233

Shots Off Target212

BEAT THE TRAFFIC

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

0 0 8

In the Coca Cola Football League One this season there have been **238** shots on target, goals constitute **26.9%** of all shots (doesn't include own goals). The woodwork has come to the rescue of the defending side on 7 occasions (the biggest beneficiaries being Carlisle 1). There have been 7 penalties awarded this season and of those 5 have been scored (a success rate of **71.4%**). Southend have been awarded most penalties - 1. Southampton have given most penalties away 2. The team to score the most penalties is Southend 1. Millwall missed 1 penalties in the Coca Cola Football League One this season.

RESULTS

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

0-0	5
0-1	2
0-2	2
0-3	-
0-4	-
0-5	-
1-0	-
1-1	2
1-2	2
1-3	1
1-4	-
1-5	-
1-7	1
2-0	1
2-1	2
2-2	2
2-3	-
2-4	-
2-5	-
3-0	-
3-1	1
3-2	1
3-3	-
3-4	-
3-5	-
4-0	-
4-1	-
4-2	1
4-3	-
4-4	-
4-5	-
5-0	1
5-1	-
5-2	-
5-3	-
5-4	-
5-5	-

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A GAME OF TWO

It would be hard to find a footballer who had a more eventful pre-season than Latics new-boy Peter Gilbert.

The 26-year-old left-back, who is on a week-to-week contract, spent time at five clubs in the build up to the new campaign.

Gilbert started out at Huddersfield before his journey took him to Leyton Orient, Southend and Coventry City and eventually his arrival at Boundary Park. And it was a pre-season in which Gilbert starred in Leyton Orient's 6-

1 win against Newcastle United, where he once played as a schoolboy, and also for Coventry against Everton.

That meant that when Gilbert, the former Birmingham City, Plymouth, Leicester and Sheffield Wednesday player, was in decent shape for his debut against Stockport County. Here Gilbert, a former Wales under-21 international, discussed various aspects of his life, both on and off the field.

ON THE FIELD

What goals do you have for the coming campaign? As I am here on a short-term contract, all I can do is to take each game as it comes. My immediate goal is to play regular first-team football and hopefully that will lead to a contract here.

Describe your best moment in football. It was winning the League One title and promotion to the Championship in my first full league season at Plymouth. It was an unbelievable achievement. The week before we sealed promotion we played here at Boundary Park and lost 4-1 which was my last game here before joining Latics.

What was your first professional game? That was for Plymouth at Brentford in League One. We won 1-0 and, as it was at the start of the season, it was a hot day in London.

Who has been your toughest opponent? There are different types of wingers. Aaron Lennon caused me problems with his pace and he is an excellent player. Jermaine Pennant is another player who is very direct and hard to mark so I would pick those two.

Who is your best friend in football? Cardiff City's Tony Capaldi. We were together at Birmingham City and we both moved to Plymouth where we enjoyed success together.

Who have been the biggest influences on your career? There have been a number throughout different stages of my career. When I went to Birmingham as a youngster there was Academy director Brian Eastick from whom I learned a lot as we had a very successful youth team. From an earlier age, my family gave me tremendous support, but from a professional stand it would be Brian and Paul Sturrock who was my manager at Plymouth and who gave me my chance at first-team level.

What are your footballing dreams? We all dream of playing at the highest possible level. Some of the situations I have been in this summer have opened my eyes and made me re-assess what I want to do in my career. I know what is needed and it is simply a case of getting on the right road.

When you are injured, how do you deal with being out of the team for a lengthy spell? I was out for about nine months with a cruciate knee-ligament injury and I probably found that easier than the smaller injuries. Once I got my head round the injury after about a week it was relatively straightforward because you know how long you are going to be out for and have a rehab programme to do and you separate yourself from the rest of the team because you know you cannot play. If you get smaller injuries, I have found that more frustrating being out short term because you lose your place, but you are still involved. I have had two separate cruciate knee ligament injuries and I found them easier to deal with than short-term ones.

Have you had any embarrassing moments? There was an own goal for Plymouth against Leeds United at Elland Road on Boxing Day. It was a cross to the far post and the ball came whizzing between the keeper and the defence and it was impossible for me to get out of the way as it hit him and trickled over the line.

Describe your first goal? It was for Plymouth against Bristol City. I went forward on an overlap and lifted the ball over their keeper.

OFF THE FIELD

What exams did you pass at school? I wasn't very academic and was more sports orientated. I needed to be active which was probably my downfall. I did my GCSE's, and passed a handful of them, and also gained a BTech in sports science at college while a trainee at Birmingham City.

What other sports do you play? I am a big fan of cricket which is my second sport. It is difficult to play now, but I used to turn out for my village team in Whitburn, Sunderland, until a few years ago and I found it a relaxing break from football. I was a batsman, a big hitter who would swing the bat and who would either get a big score or who would be out early.

Describe buying your first house. I was only 19 years of age and had just moved to Plymouth and it was a big step and it was an even bigger shock as I had to do it all on my own as I was so far from home. It was another big move and at that age you act on instinct and worry about your actions later.

How good are you at DIY? I have a go and give it my best shot but I can hold up my hands and say I am



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not great. In fact I am pretty bad at it.

What would you have done had you not been a footballer? Before I left school I had no idea what I would have done had I not become a footballer, and the same applies today. It would have probably have been something to do with sport like being a PE teacher.

What is your most treasured possession? From football, it would be the caps I won playing for Wales at under-21 level along with the gold medal for being League One champions with Plymouth.

Do you have any regrets in life? I wouldn't say regrets but there are times in life when you do things which you hope are for the best, but when you look back think you ought to have done them differently. Hindsight is a wonderful thing, but you have to learn from them and make sure you don't make the same mistakes again.

What irritates you? Slow drivers as I am at times impatient. I also dislike rude and arrogant people.

If you could be anywhere in the world now, where would it be? Las Vegas which I visit every year along with Los Angeles with friends and it is a fantastic place. It depends who you go with but, with the guys, it is Las Vegas. But with family or a girlfriend it would be LA or New York which I also love.

When you were growing up, who was your footballing hero? As somebody from the North East it has to be Paul Gascoigne who, as a youngster, I saw playing for England in the 1990 World Cup and finals of Euro 96.



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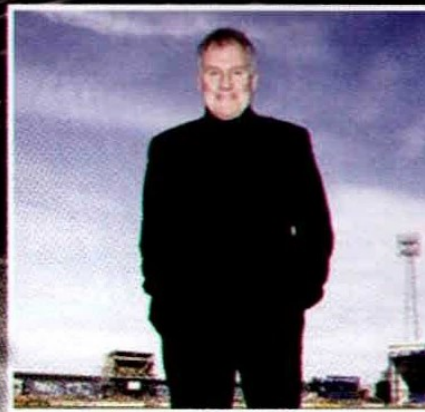


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MAGIC MOMENTS



It was a rare Friday night outing for the Latics on a freezing cold December night at Boundary Park as Joe Royle's burgeoning side welcomed Blackburn Rovers for a Division Two fixture.

This was a clash of the titans, as good as any north west derby could be with both sides handily placed at almost the halfway stage of the season for a serious crack at promotion to the top flight of English football.

Latics were unbeaten in eight outings, a sequence which included three wins and five draws to underline the side's growing reputation.

It was a momentous season for the Latics, who proudly stepped out onto the Wembley turf towards the end of the campaign to face Nottingham Forest in the final of the Littlewood's (League) Cup.

For the Blackburn match, Royle was forced into one change following the 1-1 draw at Ipswich Town a little under a week earlier; with Neil Adams coming in for the injured Mike Milligan.

While the Latics were almost invincible at home, Blackburn's record on their travels was one of the key factors in their ultimate fifth place finish, which was enough to earn them a place in the play-offs.

But it wasn't only the Latics side, with the likes of Andy Ritchie, Rick Holden, Denis Irwin, Earl Barrett and Roger Palmer shining like the most opulent of jewels, that was beginning to turn some heads.

So was Joe Royle, whose management style created a team and a spirit that was destined for much greater things.

It had emerged prior to the match that Big Joe was being strongly tracked by Manchester City and that, after seven years in charge at BP, a move to Maine Road was imminent.

This was obviously an agonisingly tough decision for Royle to make.

And while Latics turned on another five-star performance against Blackburn in front of 10,635 supporters with goals from Holden and Ritchie in a 2-0 win, the Magic Moment concerned not the goals, or the match, rather the scoreboard situated at the top of the then uncovered Rochdale Road end.

And when that scoreboard flickered into life before the start of the match, all bright, neon white against an inky-black Oldham night sky it was a heartfelt message that must have brought a lump to the throat of even the least sentimental of the home supporters.

The message read: PLEASE JOE, DON'T GO. And Joe stayed. And the rest, as they say, is history.

But I remain utterly convinced of one thing,

Were it not for that scoreboard message, then Joe would have gone.



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STAR M

Swindon completed an impressive summer signing when they agreed terms with midfielder Jonathan Douglas.

The 27-year-old Irishman is a full international who started his career in the Premier League and regularly captained his former club Leeds United. Douglas was playing in the League of Ireland while still in his mid teens, and he was soon handed a chance to make the big time in England when he joined up with Blackburn Rovers.

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AN JON DOUGLAS

He made his debut in a Worthington Cup tie in 2000, only for his rapid progress to be halted by serious injury. The 2002/03 campaign brought a major breakthrough as Douglas picked up experience while on loan at Chesterfield and also made his first Premier League appearance. And he really began to catch the eye during a loan spell at Blackpool, where he proved himself a high-quality all-round midfielder -- and scored a memorable goal when the Seaside won here at Boundary

Park. On his return to Blackburn, Douglas was promoted to the senior squad by manager Graeme Souness and started to hold down a regular place. Rovers were struggling, but Douglas helped them to grind out vital points before they suddenly hit form with consecutive wins against Fulham -- where Douglas hit his maiden Premier League goal - Leicester, Everton and Manchester United. This period also saw Douglas enter the international fray as the Monaghan-born player

earned his Republic of Ireland debut in a friendly with Poland. It was the first of eight caps to date. But Blackburn then had a change of manager, with Souness being replaced by Mark Hughes, and this brought a change in fortunes for Douglas, who dropped down the pecking order. His next loan spell was a long-term arrangement with Leeds, where he made 40 league appearances in 2005/06, bagging five goals. The deal became permanent

and Douglas was given the captain's armband, only for Leeds to endure a torrid season which ended with them being relegated from the Championship in 2007. Leeds spent the next two seasons trying to climb back out of League One and, though they did not succeed, the hard-working Douglas remained a steady and consistent performer. His final appearance was in the May 2009 play-off semi-finals, after which he moved on to Swindon.

CALLING THE SHOTS

Danny Wilson began the new season with his sights set on a momentous hat-trick.

The popular Robins boss, who took over at the County Ground last Christmas, has already won two promotions during a managerial career that has taken him to six clubs.

Having been a highly successful player at domestic and international level, Danny took his first steps into management after hanging up his boots at Barnsley.

Already a popular figure with the Oakwell faithful, he attained legendary status by guiding Barnsley to the greatest achievement in their history.

He succeeded Viv Anderson in 1994 and would have earned a play-off place in his first season had the rules not been changed to allow a cut in the number of Premier League clubs -- this meant Barnsley, who finished sixth, missed out.

Yet Danny gathered around him a talented group of players, including future Latics stars Darren Sheridan and Andy Liddell, as he continued his assault on promotion to the top flight. He was richly rewarded in 1997 when the unglamorous Tykes reached their holy grail with a superb brand of passing football which heralded weekly chants of 'It's just like watching Brazil'. They were relegated after one campaign but, as the man who took Barnsley into the Premier League for the first time ever, Danny was a local hero.

Not surprisingly he was also in demand, and the former Northern Ireland international moved across South Yorkshire to accept the Sheffield Wednesday post in 1998.

He had been a Wednesday player during their famous cup escapades a few years earlier but was unable to halt their slide towards the drop in his second season back at Hillsborough. After paying with his job, Danny next had four years at Bristol City and went

agonisingly close to promotion without quite crossing the finishing line.

City finished ninth, seventh, third and third, winning almost half of his games in charge. Yet, harshly, that was deemed inadequate and Danny's next challenge was at MK Dons. He stayed for around 18 months before heading to Hartlepool, where the second promotion of Wilson's management career was sealed in style.

It was 2006/07 and Foots escaped the bottom division at the first time of asking by racking up 88 points. With an ironic twist, MK Dons were one of the sides they piped.

Danny's odyssey has now lasted well over 30 years as his first involvement in league football came as a young player at Bury in 1977.

He also appeared for Chesterfield, Nottingham Forest, Brighton, Luton, Sheffield Wednesday, Barnsley and Northern Ireland, winning plenty of honours along the way.

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GOALKEEPERS

DAVID LUCAS
D/O/B: 23/11/77

Joined Swindon over the summer following two seasons at Leeds United. First came to prominence at Preston North End before spells with Sheffield Wednesday and Barnsley.

PHIL SMITH
D/O/B: 14/12/79

Released by Millwall as a teenager, Smith joined Town in 2006 from Crawley Town. Fought it out with Peter Brezovan to be the starting keeper before David Lucas' arrival.

DEFENDERS

SCOTT CUTHBERT
D/O/B: 15/06/87

A former Celtic reserve team captain, the Scotland B international joined the Robins in July. Had a season-long loan at St Mirren in 2008/09.

HASNEY ALJOFREE
D/O/B: 11/07/78

Well known to Latics fans following his loan spell in 2007, Aljofree left Plymouth Argyle for the County Ground in 2007. Was named as captain before suffering a knee injury against Yeovil Town last December.

GORDON GREER
D/O/B: 14/12/80

A one-time Oldham transfer target, Greer is Swindon's captain



HASNEY ALJOFREE

following a permanent switch from Doncaster Rovers over the summer. Spent an initial three months on loan with Town last season.

SEAN MORRISON
D/O/B: 08/01/91

The centre-back broke into the Swindon side at the end of the 2007/08 season before making 20 appearances last season. Scored his first goal in the home victory over Athletic in 2008/09.

KEVIN AMANKWAAH
D/O/B: 19/05/81

Joined Swindon on a two-



KEVIN AMANKWAAH

year contract from Swansea City in 2008 following spells at Torquay United, Bristol City, Cheltenham Town and Yeovil Town. Played under Swindon boss Danny Wilson at Bristol City.

CALLUM KENNEDY
D/O/B: 06/01/89

The former Reading left-back was handed his debut by Paul Sturrock in 2007/08. Signed a contract extension earlier this year to keep him at the County Ground until the summer of 2010.

LESCINEL JEAN-FRANCOIS
D/O/B: 02/10/86

The Haiti international started out playing in France for the reserve teams at Paris St Germain and Sedan. Turned out for Falkirk and Guingamp before making his Town debut in January 2009.

NATHAN THOMPSON

The teenage right-back only signed his first professional contract in April but has been tipped for the top by Town's coaching staff. Arsenal, Tottenham Hotspur and Everton are among the clubs reportedly monitoring his progress.

MIDFIELDERS

JONATHAN DOUGLAS
D/O/B: 22/11/81

Made the move to Swindon during the summer following four

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BILLY PAYNTER

seasons at Leeds United. The Irishman lined up alongside David Lucas at Elland Road before both were released in May.

JON-PAUL MCGOVERN D/O/B: 03/10/80

Having been a key member of Sheffield Wednesday's promotion-winning team, he linked up with former Owls boss Paul Sturrock in 2007 after a spell at MK Dons. The former Celtic trainee also turned out for Livingston and Sheffield United.



LEE PEACOCK

CRAIG EASTON D/O/B: 26/02/79

An ex-Scotland under-21 international, Easton arrived from Leyton Orient in the summer of 2007. Injuries limited his appearances last season after six goals in 2007/08.

MICHAEL TIMLIN D/O/B: 19/03/85

Was brought to Swindon from Fulham by former Robins manager Maurice Malpas in May 2008 following two separate loan spells at the County Ground. Has also captained the Irish under-21's side.

ANTHONY MCNAMEE D/O/B: 13/07/84

A fans favourite, the winger joined from Watford in January last year for an undisclosed fee. Made his Watford debut under Gianluca Vialli before helping them to promotion in 2005/06.

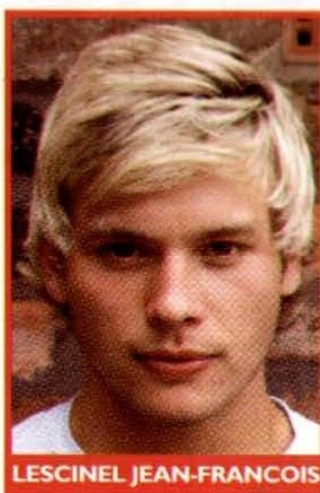
ALAN O'BRIEN D/O/B: 20/02/85

The Irish international was another player to join over the summer after his contract with Hibernian was cancelled by mutual consent. Started his career at Newcastle United and spent time on loan at Carlisle United.

STRIKERS

BILLY PAYNTER D/O/B: 13/07/84

Joined from Southend

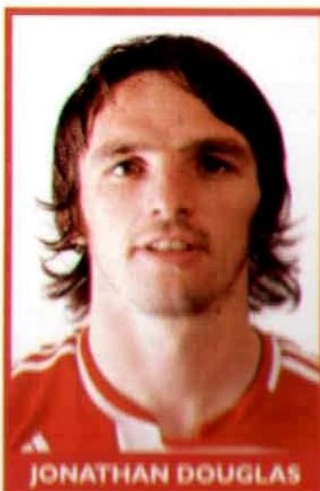


LESCINEL JEAN-FRANCOIS

United in August 2007 following a disappointing spell at Roots Hall. Began his career at Port Vale where he was the club's youngest player for 20 years and their youngest goalscorer in 24 years.

LLOYD MACKLIN D/O/B: 23/08/89

Came through the ranks at Swindon, becoming their youngest first-team player to date when facing Brentford in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy in September 2007.



JONATHAN DOUGLAS

TEMITOPE OBADEYI D/O/B: 29/10/89

Currently on a one-month loan from Bolton, the teenager netted three times during Wanderers' pre-season preparations. Came off the substitutes' bench last season to figure against Arsenal and Manchester United.

LEE PEACOCK D/O/B: 09/10/76

Another crowd favourite, Peacock joined Swindon in 2006 on a free transfer from Sheffield Wednesday. Has scored goals for the likes of Mansfield Town and Bristol City either side of an ill-fated move to Manchester City.

LATEST NEWS

While Latics were losing 2-0 against Millwall on Tuesday night, Swindon were 1-0 winners against Southampton thanks to Sean Morrison's header. That followed up defeat to Gillingham (5-0) and a draw with MK Dons (0-0) in their opening two league games. However, a 4-1 Carling Cup defeat of MK Dons has given them a second round tie at Wolves, while they received a bye into the next round of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy. It has been announced that the County Ground will stage an event in memory of Alan Ball during October with ex-players, musicians and TV stars playing in a bid to boost charities.

LATICS STATS

APPEARANCE

FEATURE ACTION NEWS INTERVIEW STATISTICS INFORMATION

DATE	OPPONENT	VEN	KO/RES	COMP	ATT	VIS	POS	LATICS GOALSCORERS	TEAM
AUGUST									
Sat 8	STOCKPORT	H	0-0	CCLI	6,918	1,658	-		BRILL MARROW GILBERT HAZELL GREGAN
Tues 11	CARLISLE	A	0-1	CC(1)	2,509	201	-		BRILL WORTHINGTON HOLDSWORTH HAZELL (73) WHITAKER
Sat 15	LEYTON ORIENT	A	1-2	CCLI	4,061	297	7	Abbott 12, 59	BRILL WORTHINGTON HOLDSWORTH HAZELL ABBOTT
Tues 18	MILLWALL	A	0-2	CCLI	7,369	163	12		BRILL WORTHINGTON HOLDSWORTH HAZELL ABBOTT
Sat 22	SWINDON TOWN	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Tues 26	Carling Cup (2)		7.45pm						
Sat 29	BRENTFORD	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
SEPTEMBER									
Tue 1	ACCRINGTON STANLEY	H	7.45pm	JPT1					
Fri 4	HARTLEPOOL UTD	H	7.45pm	CCLI					
Sat 12	BRISTOL ROVERS	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 19	CARLISLE UTD	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Weds 23	Carling Cup (3)		7.45pm	CCLI					
Sat 26	SOUTHEND UTD	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Tues 29	MILTON KEYNES	H	7.45pm	CCLI					
OCTOBER									
Sat 3	YEOVIL TOWN	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 10	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 17	SOUTHAMPTON	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 24	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Wed 28	Carling Cup (4)								
NOVEMBER									
Sun 1	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	H	2.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 7	FA Cup (1)								
Sat 14	GILLINGHAM	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 21	COLCHESTER UTD	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Tues 24	WALSALL	A	7.45pm	CCLI					
Sat 28	FA Cup (2)								
DECEMBER									
Tues 1	LEEDS UTD	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Weds 2	Carling Cup (5)								
Sat 5	NORWICH CITY	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 12	EXETER CITY	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 19	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 26	TRANMERE ROVERS	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Mon 28	HARTLEPOOL UTD	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
JANUARY									
Sat 2	SWINDON TOWN	A	3.00pm	CCLI	FAC(3)				
Weds 6	Carling cup Semi-Final (1)								
Sat 9	LEYTON ORIENT	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 16	STOCKPORT COUNTY	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Weds 20	Carling Cup Semi-Final (2)								
Sat 23	MILLWALL	H	3.00pm	CCLI	FAC(4)				
Sat 30	BRENTFORD	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
FEBRUARY									
Sat 6	TRANMERE ROVERS	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 13	WALSALL	H	3.00pm	CCLI	FAC(5)				
Sat 20	COLCHESTER UTD	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Tue 23	LEEDS UTD	A	7.45pm	CCLI					
Sat 27	NORWICH CITY	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
MARCH									
Sat 6	EXETER CITY	A	3.00pm	CCLI	FAC(6)				
Sat 13	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 20	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 27	SOUTHAMPTON	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
APRIL									
Sat 3	GILLINGHAM	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Tues 6	HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	A	7.45pm	CCLI					
Sat 10	BRISTOL ROVERS	H	3.00pm	CCLI	FAC SF				
Tues 13	MK DONS	A	7.45pm	CCLI					
Sat 17	CARLISLE UTD	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 24	SOUTHEND	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
MAY									
Sat 1	YEOVIL TOWN	A	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 8	CHARLTON ATHLETIC	H	3.00pm	CCLI					
Sat 15	FA Cup Final								

INCES AND SCORERS 2009-10

KEY TO CHART
(45) TIME OF SUBSTITUTION
PLAYER BOOKED ●
PLAYER SENT OFF ●

COMPOSITION

SUBSTITUTES

WORTHINGTON	TAYLOR	PARKER	ABBOTT	FURMAN	HOLDSWORTH	WHITAKER ● (77)	ALESSANDRA	BYFIELD	O'GRADY	LEE	KAZIMIERCZAK	LOMAX
O'GRADY	FURMAN	GREGAN	TAYLOR	GILBERT	BYFIELD	ABBOTT	ALESSANDRA	PARKER	LOMAX	LEE	STEPHENS	KAZIMIERCZAK
FURMAN	GREGAN	PARKER ●	TAYLOR	MARROW ●	GILBERT ●	LOMAX	BYFIELD	WHITAKER	O'GRADY	ALESSANDRA	LEE	KAZIMIERCZAK
FURMAN ●	GREGAN	PARKER	TAYLOR ●	MARROW	GILBERT	BYFIELD	O'GRADY	LOMAX	ALESSANDRA	LEE	ROWNEY	KAZIMIERCZAK

RESERVE TEAM FIXTURES 09-10

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AUGUST

Wed 26 Preston NE AWAY

SEPTEMBER

Wed 9 WREXHAM HOME HYDE

Wed 16 Tranmere Rovers AWAY Cammell Laird

Tues 22 CARLISLE UTD HOME HYDE

OCTOBER

Wed 7 Morecambe AWAY

Mon 12 MANCHESTER UTD HOME MSC - HYDE

NOVEMBER

Wed 4 BLACKPOOL HOME HYDE

Tues 17 Manchester City AWAY MSC

Wed 25 ACCRINGTON STANLEY HOME HYDE

DECEMBER

Wed 2 BRADFORD CITY HOME Cup - STALYBRIDGE

Wed 9 Rochdale AWAY 2pm

Wed 16 PRESTON NE HOME Cup - STALYBRIDGE

JANUARY

Mon 11 Carlisle Utd AWAY

Wed 6 Morecambe AWAY Cup

Tues 19 MORECAMBE HOME HYDE

FEBRUARY

Wed 3 Blackpool AWAY

MARCH

Tues 2 ROCHDALE HOME HYDE

Mon 15 Accrington Stanley AWAY

Tues 30 PRESTON NE HOME HYDE

APRIL

Wed 7 Wrexham AWAY

Tues 20 TRANMERE ROVERS HOME HYDE

TO BE ARRANGED

Bury - MSC - 2pm (A)

Morecambe - League Cup (A)

PNE - League Cup (H)

LAST TIME OUT

Date: 18/08/2009

Venue: The New Den

Attendance: 7,369

Referee: D'Urso

Millwall 2 - Oldham Athletic 0

Latics went into the game full of confidence after their first win of the season at Orient on Saturday. Millwall began the game brightly and David Martin scored a 12th minute goal to give the hosts an early lead. This prompted manager Penney to change the formation back to a standard 4-4-2. Latics now had more of the play and were rewarded with a 30th minute penalty. Abbott stepped up, but could not level the scores. Millwall wrapped things in the third minute of stoppage time when Harris headed home.



ON THE ROAD

BRENTFORD DETAILS

Ground Name: Griffin Park
Capacity: 12,763
Address: Griffin Park, Braemar
Road, Brentford TW08 0NT
Contact: 08453 456 442
Nickname: The Bees
Pitch Size: 110 x 73
www.brentfordfc.co.uk

TICKET INFO

Adults: £21
Over 65s: £15
Students: £12
Under 16s: £5
Wheelchair and Ambulant
disabled supporters pay
relevant concession
(carer also free).
Call Brentford to book -
0845 3456 442 - Option 4

COACH TRAVEL INFO

Departs BP: 08:30am **PROMPT**
Cost: £24
All fans must be members of
Latics Travel Group

DIRECTIONS

Distance: 214 miles
Travelling time: 3 hours 20
minutes
Take your preferred route to
join the M6, and travel south to
join the M25 London circular.

Take the southbound carriage-
way for around 4 miles and then
come off at Junction 15 on to the
M4. Stay on the M4 for 8 miles
and then exit at Junction 2 on to
the A4. Then at the first
roundabout take the sixth exit.

Continue for just over a mile,
and take the first exit on to
Ealing Road (B455) at the next
roundabout. Then turn right in
to Braemar Road.

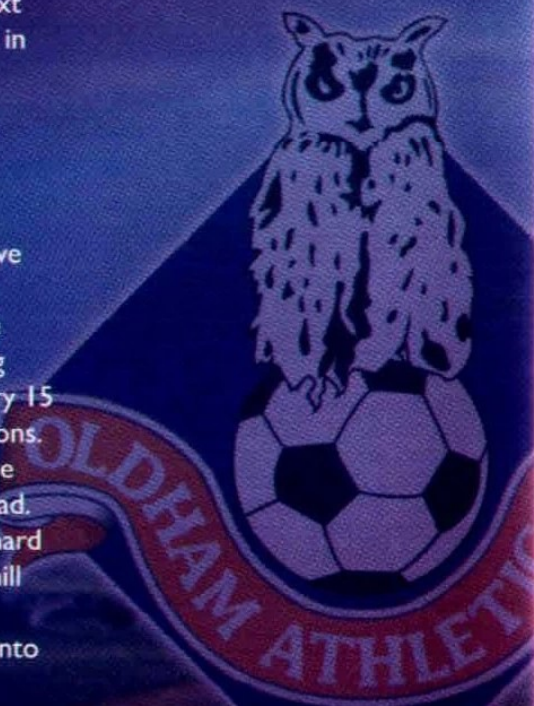
NEAREST TUBE/ TRAIN STATION

The nearest train station is
Brentford, which is around five
minutes walk away from the
ground. This station is on the
London Waterloo to Reading
line, which normally run every 15
minutes on Saturday afternoons.
To get from the station to the
ground, exit onto Station Road.
Take the first right into Orchard
Road, right again into Windmill
Road and then first left into
Hamilton Road which leads into
New Road and the ground.

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WHERE TO EAT AND DRINK

Brentford is renowned for being
the only ground in England to
have a pub at every corner of
the ground. The grounds name
itself comes from the local
Griffin Brewery, hence the name
Griffin Park. The pubs are called
The Royal Oak, The Princess
Royal, The Griffin and the New
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OLDHAM ATHLETIC

- 1 DEAN BRILL (gk)
- 2
- 3 JOE JACOBSON
- 4 JON WORTHINGTON
- 5 ANDY HOLDSWORTH
- 6 REUBEN HAZELL
- 7 DANNY WHITAKER
- 8 DEANE SMALLEY
- 9 PAWEL ABBOTT
- 10 ROB PURDIE
- 11 CHRIS O'GRADY on loan at Rochdale
- 12 KELVIN LOMAX
- 13 GREG FLEMING (gk) on loan at Dunfermline
- 14 DEAN FURMAN
- 15 LEWIS ALESSANDRA on loan at Chester
- 16 SEAN GREGAN
- 17 KEIGAN PARKER
- 18 CHRIS TAYLOR
- 20 DALE STEPHENS on loan at Rochdale
- 21 PAUL BLACK
- 22 RYAN BROOKE
- 23 JOSH OLLERENSHAW
- 24 LIAM DAWSON
- 25 CHRIS ROWNEY
- 26 ALEX MARROW on loan from Blackburn
- 27 PETER GILBERT
- 28 PRZEMYSŁAW KAZIMIERCZAK (gk)
- 29 DARREN BYFIELD
- 30 NICK BLACKMAN on loan from Blackburn



SWINDON TOWN

- 1 DAVID LUCAS
- 2 SCOTT CUTHBERT
- 4 JONATHAN DOUGLAS
- 6 GORDON GREER
- 7 JON-PAUL McGOVERN
- 8 CRAIG EASTERN
- 10 MICHAEL TIMLIN
- 11 ANTHONY McNAMEE
- 12 PHIL SMITH
- 14 SEAN MORRISON
- 15 KEVIN AMANKWAH
- 16 HASNEY ALJOFREE
- 17 CALLUM KENNEDY
- 18 ALAN O'BRIEN
- 19 LESCINEL JEAN-FRANCOIS
- 20 BILLY PAINTER
- 22 LLOYD MACKLIN
- 23 NATHAN THOMPSON
- 24 TOPE OBADEYI on loan from Bolton W.
- 25 MARK MARSHALL
- 26 JAKUB JESIONKOWSKI
- 27 KASALI CASAL
- 28 MARK SCOTT
- 29 KURT HAMMONDS
- 32 LEE PEACOCK

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M. HAYWARD

ASSISTANT REFEREES:

RED/YELLOW FLAG

M. GRIFFITHS

YELLOW FLAG

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Red Socks, White Trim

Shirt Sponsor: FourFourTwo

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Brighton & H.A. v Stockport C.

Bristol Rov. v Huddersfield T.

Carlisle Utd v Exeter City

Charlton Ath v Walsall

Gillingham v Hartlepool Utd

Leeds Utd v Tranmere Rov

MK Dons v Colchester Utd

Norwich City v Wycombe Wand

Southampton v Brentford

Yeovil Town v Leyton Orient

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