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# A WORD FROM THE MANAGER

**G**ood afternoon and welcome back to the Cottage for our first game of 2010 and I hope that you all enjoyed the New Year celebrations.

The FA Cup is always a special competition and I know that Swindon Town will travel here with the intention of trying to take a Premier League scalp into the next round. So we are under no illusions, regardless of the league position divide, this is not going to be an easy game for us on any level.

Unfortunately, our undefeated run came to an end at Stamford Bridge last Monday, which was a tough blow to take as I thought that we deserved at least a point from the match.

When your team plays so well for most of the game, to concede twice in quick succession and leave with nothing left a bitter taste in the mouth, and it will be a mark of the players' character to bounce back from that today. Chelsea are, of course, a team of quality and although it is testimony to how far we have come as a club to be so disappointed by the defeat, it is still a defeat nonetheless, and one which we must put behind us quickly.

It was very positive for us in terms of injuries to be able to welcome Andy Johnson back after such a long absence. This gives us an attacking boost, even though I must say that Zoltan and Bobby have done very well together.

At the back, young Chris Smalling made his Premier League debut and I

thought he did remarkably well to show such composure and confidence throughout the 90 minutes, up against arguably the most in-form striker in the Premier League currently. An unfortunate ricochet inadvertently blighted - albeit marginally in my view - a debut that he should be very proud of.

We have entered 2010 in a good league position and one that we would have been extremely keen to accept at the start of the season. We have picked up some points against the best the Premier League has to offer, but we now have to focus on the second half of the season ahead, and reach that all important 40 point mark as quickly as we can.

Keeping the players injury free and reducing fatigue is always a challenge through the busy Christmas period and, of course, we lost John Pantsil during the Chelsea match, which is a worry for us. The full prognosis I am, at the time of writing, unable to update you on.

Today we enjoy brief respite from the pressures of the league, and I would like to welcome Danny Wilson, his backroom staff and the visiting Chairman, Directors and fans of Swindon Town FC.

We fully expect this to be a proper FA Cup encounter, played in the true spirit of the competition and one, as I have already mentioned, that Swindon will be hungry to win. With all of the additional fixture commitments we face currently, and our trip to Stoke next Tuesday, this match gives me an

opportunity to again utilise the entire squad and, regardless of the personnel I pick, it will be a team that I am sure will be capable of winning the game. The FA Cup is part of the history and tradition of football in this Country and one that I'm happy to be part of.

Finally, I was delighted this week to put pen to paper and sign a one year rolling contract extension with the Club. I am extremely happy to be able to continue the work that we've started here and I want to assure you that we will continue to work tirelessly to ensure that continued success is enjoyed on the pitch in the years to come.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Chairman for the faith he has shown in me during my time at Fulham, and I would also like to thank the Club's fans for the outstanding support they have shown the team, both at the Cottage and on our travels in the Barclays Premier League and the UEFA Europa League; we could not wish for better.

I wish you all a happy and successful New Year.

Enjoy the game

**Roy Hodgson.**  
Manager











# CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

**I think I speak on behalf of all the players when I say that the FA Cup is a wonderful competition with a great tradition, so it goes without saying that we'd like nothing more than a good run in it this year, both for ourselves and for the fans.**

We know what it means, and it gives everybody something to look forward to, so even though we're doing well in the Premier and Europa Leagues, we're still very much classing this as an important competition. Apart from anything else, it's a good platform for us to keep our recent good form and positive performances going into the New Year.

Looking back on the Christmas fixtures, I thought that against Tottenham we put in a really good performance - one that we deserved more from in terms of points, especially after our first-half display. It says a lot that their 'keeper was man of the match. He made some unbelievable saves and on another day we could have won quite comfortably, which is saying something against one of the best teams in the country. When you consider the attacking power that they have, to limit them to just one or two chances in the entire game was a very good marker of where we are at the moment.

And although we were disappointed not to take three points, playing Manchester United, Tottenham and Chelsea over the Christmas period was always going to be tough so to take four points from the home games was really something that everyone involved should be pleased with.

After that came Chelsea where,

having taken the lead so early and held them for so long, we were devastated to give them three points.

I felt especially sorry for Chris Smalling. There was nothing he could do about the goal, and he was our best player on the day, but sometimes these things happen in football. However, he has a lot to be pleased about because he performed brilliantly in Bredé's absence.

In fact, we defended well throughout, and only towards the end of the second-half did the three games in 10 days maybe take its toll a little. We didn't keep the ball well enough and when you're under constant pressure from a team like

**"It's been a fantastic year which everyone can look back on with great pride and satisfaction."**

Chelsea - even though it was mostly outside our box - they have the quality to hurt you.

So we were massively disappointed to lose, but there were lots of positives. The fact that we held what I think is the best team in the country until the last 20 minutes and were reasonably comfortable for the majority of that time shows how far we've come. So even though our good run has come to an end I think the fans can see we're moving forward and everyone is raising their level of performance and contributing.

Unfortunately, of course, Johnny went off injured which was a blow, and it's bad news for him and the African Nations Cup, but as has been the case all season, it's going to give someone else a chance and somebody like Stephen Kelly is desperate to come in and prove they

deserve their place. So there is a good side to every negative. Naturally, we wish John well and hopefully the injury won't be as bad as first feared.

Looking back, 2009 was a fantastic year for the Club. Who'd have thought we'd have come so far in such a short space of time? There have been some truly fantastic occasions too. Recently the night in Basel sticks in the mind, we had the two wins against Manchester United, the home win over Liverpool and the draw up at Anfield, and I thought our performance at the Emirates last season deserved a victory as well.

There have been a lot of performances that you could highlight as our best of the year, but it's hard to isolate one because there have been so many wonderful games, and so many players have performed terrifically well.

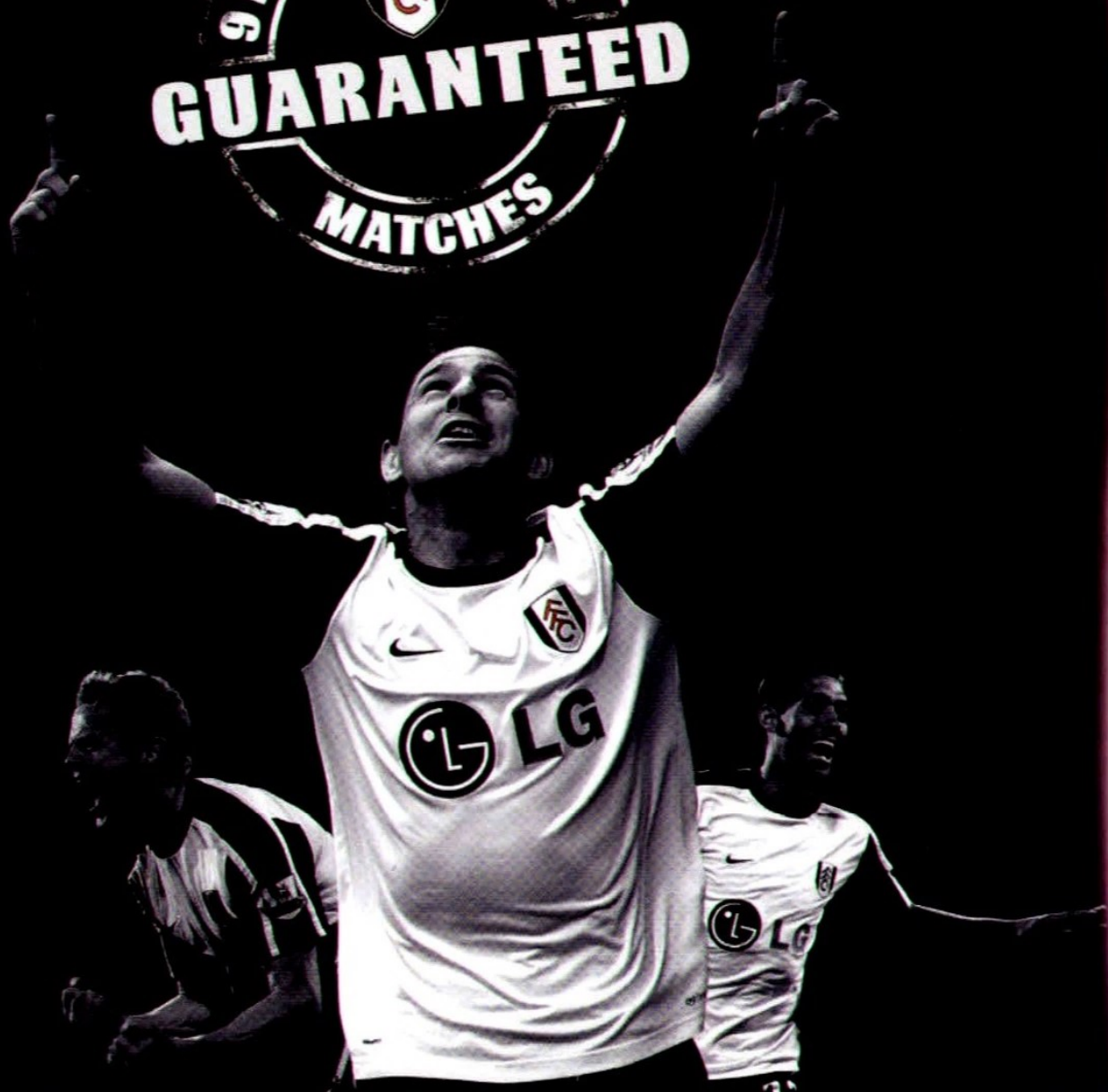
It's been a fantastic year which everyone can look back on with great pride and satisfaction. Hopefully 2010 will be equally as satisfying and successful and there would be no better way to begin than with an FA Cup win today, and as long as we maintain our concentration and don't take Swindon too lightly, I think we'll be fine. We're a hardworking team and certainly not at the stage where we'll go onto the pitch thinking that all we have to do is turn up. That's definitely not our style.

A happy New Year to you all.

Danny



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## ROY SIGNS NEW DEAL

**T**here was fantastic news for Fulham earlier this week as Roy Hodgson signed a new 12-month rolling contract with the Club.

Since arriving at the end of December 2007, Hodgson has performed near miracles, firstly saving us from relegation in dramatic style at the end of 2007-08, and then quickly building a team capable of qualifying for Europe, taking down some of the best teams in world football along the way.

Even into this campaign, his charges show no signs of plateauing, coping superbly with the added pressure of European football, whilst simultaneously maintaining the impressive domestic form, adding a second victory over Manchester United in 2009 just last month.

The Manager has deservedly attracted countless plaudits for his

efforts, with many pundits naming him as their Manager of the Year.

Happy to have secured his future in SW6, a clearly content Hodgson told fulhamfc.com: "I am delighted. It is really nice that the Club want me to stay, and I have always made it very clear that I am very happy here. I'm enjoying my time and I think the Club and the team are growing constantly. With that in mind it's nice to know that I will be here for some years to come and I'm looking forward to that work.

"I'd like to thank all the fans and all the staff for showing faith in me," he added. "And I would like to think that people know me well enough by now to know that I will certainly be doing my best not to let anybody down.

"I just hope that we can continue to work as well together in the coming years as we have the last two."



### NEW DEAL FOR STOCKDALE

The Manager wasn't the only person agreeing a contract extension this week, as David Stockdale also put pen to paper on a deal that will keep him at Fulham until at least the summer of 2013.

The 24-year-old goalkeeper joined from Darlington in 2008 and made his Premier League debut in the 2-1 win over Everton in September.

"It means the world to me," said the Yorkshireman. "It was great to be here in the first place and now I'm settled here and have had the opportunity to show what I can do. Thankfully the Club has rewarded me."

### RESCHEDULED FIXTURES

Supporters are advised of the following changes to forthcoming fixtures as a result of our progression to the last 32 of the UEFA Europa League.

The home meeting with Birmingham City, originally scheduled for Saturday February 20th, will now take place on **Sunday February 21st**, kicking-off at 3pm.

In addition, the visit to Sunderland, a week later will now kick-off at 3pm on **Sunday February 28th**.

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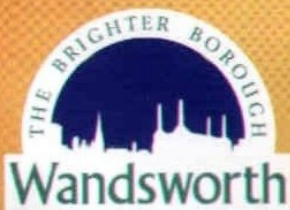
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**J**ohn Pantsil was recently named Ghana's Footballer of the Year by the Sports Writers Association of Ghana.

The Fulham defender was announced as winner of the prestigious award ahead of stars including Inter's Sulley Muntari and Chelsea's Michael Essien.

## PANTSIL PLAYER OF THE YEAR FOR GHANAIAN SPORTSWRITERS

The full-back was chosen for his outstanding and consistent performances for both Fulham and the Ghana national football team, the Black Stars.

"I'm very happy to have been recognised in this manner," enthused John. "It's a great award and a great honour for me and my family.

"There are many good Ghanaian footballers so to be adjudged the best is really an honour and I thank God for it.

"I want to dedicate this award to my parents, and to all members of my family for their support. My parents have been solidly behind me and I couldn't have reached where I am today without their prayers and support."

Pantsil also paid glowing tribute to Roy Hodgson for the "great" influence he has had on his career.

"I keep saying the Manager is like a father to me," he said. "He had faith in me and brought me here and I must say he has greatly influenced my play.

"He puts enough confidence in me and if you have such a great manager, the sky will be your limit. I will forever be grateful to the manager and Fulham for the confidence they had in me."

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### DANIEL KENT

A happy 21st birthday to Daniel Kent, from Dad, Tom.

#### BILLY SANDERS

Birthday wishes to Billy Sanders, who is 12 today. From your Dad, Nick.

## SMALLING'S RISE CONTINUES

**P**romising Fulham defender Chris Smalling made the latest step in his impressive rise from non-League football little more than 18 months ago earlier this week when he starred in his first Premier League start, away at Stamford Bridge of all places.

The talented 20-year-old was thrown into the fray due to an injury picked up by Brede Hangeland against Tottenham, and the England U21 international stepped up to the challenge impressively, frustrating and excelling against the likes of Didier Drogba, Joe Cole and Frank Lampard for the majority of the game.

"I knew from the Spurs game that Brede was struggling so I knew I had to

be ready just in case," he explained post-match. "And you can't wish for a better place to make your first start than the SW6 derby.

"Obviously you look at Chelsea's team sheet and it's full of world-class players, but I think we more than held our own. We were just unlucky in the end.

"When you see you're up against Drogba, who is one of the best strikers in the world right now, it's what you play football for."

And although the youngster had an unfortunate hand in Chelsea's second goal, he thoroughly revelled in the experience.

"I definitely enjoyed it out there," he said. "I thought it was a good team performance and hopefully

there will be more to come for me in the League. I've played a few games in Europe and I just want to push on now. Hopefully my performance will justify my inclusion in the future. It's been a great year for me personally, and for the team, and long may that continue."





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1. An enjoyable FA Cup run took us to Kettering Town in the Fourth Round. 2. A disappointing March was transformed, firstly with a first away win, at Bolton. 3. And then, of course, with that 2-0 win over Man United. 4. More away joy in April as the Whites won 3-1 at Manchester City. 5. Joe Kamara's winner at Newcastle secured a new Club record league placing.



# WHAT A YEAR!

2009 WAS A SIMPLY UNFORGETTABLE YEAR FOR FULHAM FOOTBALL CLUB. HERE'S A BRIEF REMINDER OF SOME OF THE HIGH POINTS OF 12 JOYOUS MONTHS ON THE BANKS OF THE THAMES...



6-7. A week later our place in the UEFA Europa League was secure. 8. A successful pre-season tour to Australia set the team up for the new season. 9. The European adventure began away in sunny Vilnius. 10. Tributes at the Cottage gates this week 11. Konch was on the score sheet in September as we got up and running at the Cottage against Everton. 12. The Europa League proper began with Joe on the score sheet in Sofia. 13. October and Europa fever hit SW6.





14. Early joy against Roma was to be snatched away with the last kick. 15. But the month ended with a comprehensive win over Liverpool. 16. A baffling night of injustice in Rome threatened to end the Europa dream. 17. But back home we continued going strong. 18. Into December, wins over Sofia and Basel sent us through to the last 32 of the Europa League. 19-21. But even better was to follow, when we thrashed Man United... again!



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**BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE**

**CRAVEN COTTAGE, SATURDAY DECEMBER 26TH, 2009**

**ATTENDANCE: 25,679**

**REFEREE: S BENNETT**

**ROY'S VERDICT**

"It was a good game. I thought for long periods we were threatening and, without Gomes, we could have had a goal or two."



Subs: Modric on for Kranjcar (71)  
Defoe on for Keane (71)  
King on for Bassong (90)



**KEY STATS**

Team	Goal Attempts	On Target	Corners	Offsides	Fouls	Possession%
Tottenham Hotspur	16	10	4	3	19	13
Fulham	6	3	1	1	53	47

**MONSTER**

**MAN OF THE MATCH**

Chris Baird



The Northern Ireland international impressed again, forming an almost impenetrable barrier in front of the Whites' defence. The 27-year-old broke up play with ease and always found his team-mates with a pass.

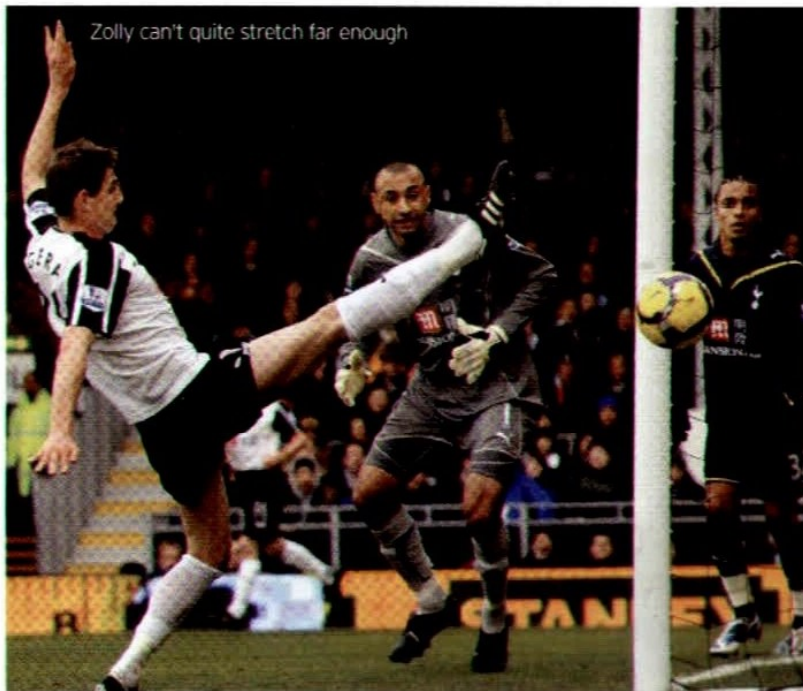




Bobby gets a header on goal



Zolly can't quite stretch far enough



## MATCH REPORT

**For the second Boxing Day in succession Fulham had to settle for a share of the points against Tottenham who had goalkeeper Heurelho Gomes to thank.**

After a game to forget here last season, the 28-year-old put on an impressive show, with the best of his efforts keeping out a Bobby Zamora header.

It was Tottenham's third clean sheet in as many games, and the result also saw Fulham extend an unbeaten home run that stretches back to September.

However, Roy Hodgson's side did enough to suggest that their North London rivals should have joined the likes of Liverpool and Manchester United in coming unstuck on the banks of the Thames.

Damien Duff had an early chance well-blocked while Zoltan Gera had his clever backheel from John Pantsil's cross well-held by Gomes. Danny Murphy then forced a fine save before Chris Baird headed narrowly wide from the resulting corner.

Clint Dempsey had Gomes beaten on the half-hour, but his fizzing free-kick rattled the crossbar.

Under pressure for most of the first half, Niko Kranjcar had Spurs' best chance, but his 20-yard free-kick edged just wide.

In the second-half, Zamora thought he had claimed league goal number seven, but his header from a deep cross was expertly turned to safety by Gomes, who then saved well from Dempsey moments later.

Zamora had another good chance to break the deadlock, but again Gomes denied the in-form striker, palming his header away.

Schwarzer matched the Brazilian's heroics late on, stopping Crouch's testing header from the edge of the box, and then doing just enough to thwart the on-running Jenas for the rebound.

Zamora and Duff combined in the closing stages, but the Republic of Ireland international's low cross/shot failed to find the target, or a Fulham player, and with that the Whites had to make do with a point.



# CHELSEA 2 FULHAM 1

**BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE**

**STAMFORD BRIDGE, MONDAY DECEMBER 28TH, 2009**

**ATTENDANCE: 41,805**

**REFEREE: A MARRINER**

### ROY'S VERDICT

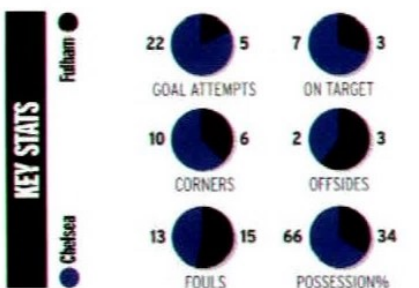
"It would have been nice to have come away with at least a point. We pushed Chelsea to the limit and we can consider ourselves very unlucky."



Subs: Ivanovic on for Ferreira (65)  
Sturridge on for Mikel (70)  
A.Cole on for Zhirkov (84)



Subs: Etuhu on for Pantić (67)  
Johnson on for Gera (71)  
Rise on for Duff (85)

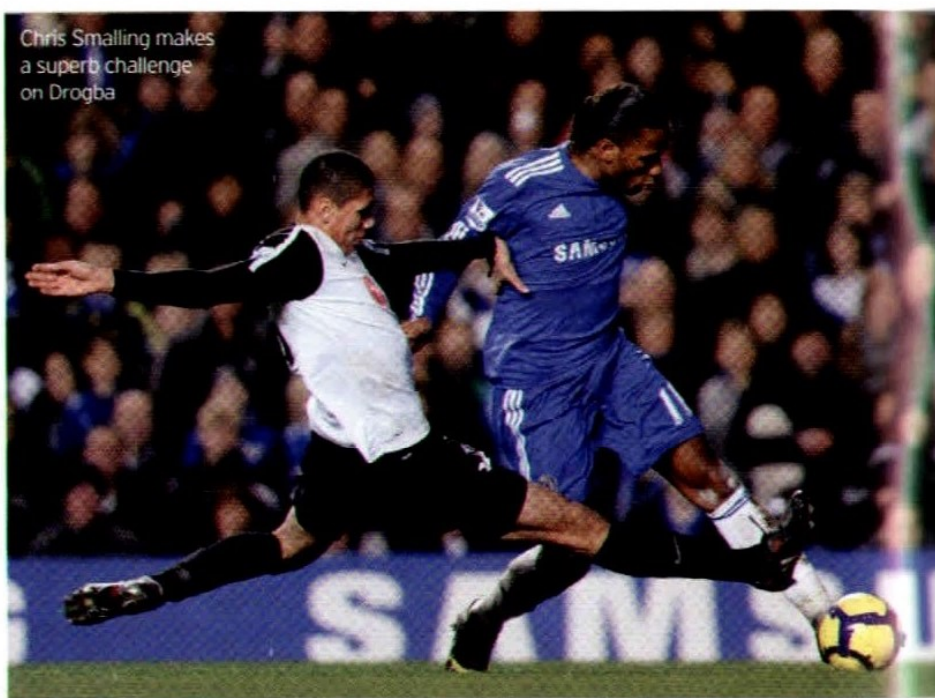


**MONSTER**

**MAN OF THE MATCH**  
Chris Smalling



Making his first Barclays Premier League start, the talented 20-year-old impressed in the absence of Brede Hangeland and coped admirably against the power and pace of Didier Drogba.







...and celebrates in style

## MATCH REPORT

**Chelsea had to come from behind to win and restore a five-point lead at the top of the Barclays Premier League against a battling Fulham.**

The Whites edged ahead against their rivals from down the Fulham Road when Zoltan Gera turned the ball in from 12 yards following Bobby Zamora's knock-down.

In search of an equaliser, Chelsea pushed forward and although the Whites remained resolute for almost 70 minutes, Didier Drogba eventually drew the Blues level with a powerful header, before an unfortunate own goal from Chris Smalling gave the hosts the impetus.

Without an injured Brede Hangeland, Fulham's defence coped commendably, but when John Pantsil left the field injured, Carlo Ancelotti's side turned the screw, with Drogba in particular taking advantage.

Up until that point, the Ivorian hit man had been shackled superbly by Pantsil, but on 73 minutes he headed in his 14th league goal of the season and set Chelsea on their way to just their second win in six Premier League games.

For all their possession, the hosts barely forced Mark Schwarzer into action in the first period, with the Australian gathering with ease from two Drogba efforts, while Salomon Kalou dragged one shot wide.

After the break, Zamora had a half-chance to double his side's lead when he pounced on Ricardo Carvalho's unconvincing backpass and drew a fine save from Petr Cech.

Drogba fired a warning not long after, before hauling his side back into the game as he headed home Paulo Ferreira's cross from the right. Three minutes later, Daniel Sturridge's shot was beaten away by Schwarzer, but the ball hit the leg of Smalling, and despite the hot prospect's best efforts, he couldn't prevent the ball from rolling cruelly across the line.

Following the return of Andrew Johnson as a substitute Fulham ended the game as the attacking force, but despite some sustained pressure, just couldn't find the crucial leveller.



Danny challenges Mikel superbly



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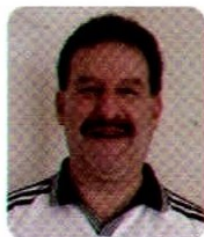
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ROGER SOUTHGATE

FULHAM FAN

AGE 50

OCCUPATION Academy Manager, Financial Services



**"Gordon 'Ivor' Davies was such a gent. In the Hammy End we loved him."**

**Why Fulham?**

When I was seven, Bobby Robson taught football at my school. It was 1966 and Graham Leggat's son was also a pupil. Although my dad was, and still is, an Arsenal fan, when Bobby said he was a Fulham player that was it!

**Your first Fulham game?**

April 29th 1967, a 2-2 draw with Blackpool. I sat on a barrier in the Putney End!

**Favourite Fulham player ever:**

Gordon 'Ivor' Davies! He was such a gent and in the Hammy End we loved him!

**Best ever Fulham memory:**

At my age there are many! At a push I would say the day we got back into the

top-flight. Having supported the boys since the 1960s it meant so much to everyone to be back!

**All-time Fulham XI:**

Edwin Van der Sar; Steve Finnan, Brede Hangeland, Chris Coleman, Rufus Brevet; Jimmy Conway, Lee Clark, Johnny Haynes, Les Barrett; Gordon Davies, Louis Saha.

**First person you text after a game?**

My wife Sandra. She was a Fulham supporter even before I met her - so she got a big tick in that box!

**Who can make the difference for Fulham today?**

Bobby Zamorraaaaa! The guy is on fire at the moment. He holds the ball up well and does so much for the team.

**Swindon's danger man?**

It has to be Michael Timlin. He's a former Fulham player, so he'll have a point to prove.

**You're the boss, how do Fulham beat Swindon?**

I think the key will be our passing and control of the ball. Swindon will battle all the way, but I can see them tiring in the last 20 minutes - that could be when we make the impact.

**Expectations for the season:**

It will be tough with more matches in Europe, so I would settle for a mid-table finish and a good run in the Cup.

**Score Prediction:**

I think it will be tight to begin with, but I can see Roy's boys winning 3-0.

## AWAY

WES FRITH

SWINDON FAN

AGE 25

OCCUPATION Barber



**"I fancy our chances. I'll go for a 2-0 win."**

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**Why Swindon?**

I used to go to the club's soccer schools with my youth football team and then stay for the games in the afternoon. Plus they're my local side.

**Your first Swindon game?**

Versus Newcastle United on March 13th 1993. We won 2-1!

**Favourite Robins' player ever:**

Shaun Taylor. He was a true soldier on the field and won us so many points through his play in both boxes.

**Best ever Swindon memory:**

Promotion to the Premier League in 1992 via Wembley. That was one major nail-biter!

**All-time Swindon XI:**

Fraser Digby; Joey Beauchamp, Shaun Taylor, Colin Calderwood, Paul Bodin; John Moncur, George Ndah, Kevin Horlock, Glenn Hoddle; Sam Parkin, Jan Åage Fjørtoft.

**First person you text after a game?**

My mate Graham, another Swindon fan, who now lives in London.

**Who can make the difference for the Robins today?**

Jonathan Douglas. He's a big ball winner, efficient passer and links the play between the defence and midfield. He also has experience of playing against Premier League opposition.

**Fulham's danger man?**

Bobby Zamora. He seems to be on the end of everything at the moment.

**You're the boss, how do Swindon beat Fulham?**

We need to keep the ball as much as we can and make sure that we don't give away any free-kicks in our own half. We also need to stay tight on their wide men in order to reduce the crosses into our box.

**Expectations for the season:**

The Division One Play-Offs. After that who knows what can happen?!

**Score Prediction:**

I fancy our chances. I'll go for a 2-0 win!



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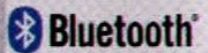
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## GERA HOPING TO CAP RECENT SUCCESS WITH CUP WIN

**D**espite some notable personal highs this season, Zoltan Gera insists that it is the team's performances that matter most to him, and not his own.

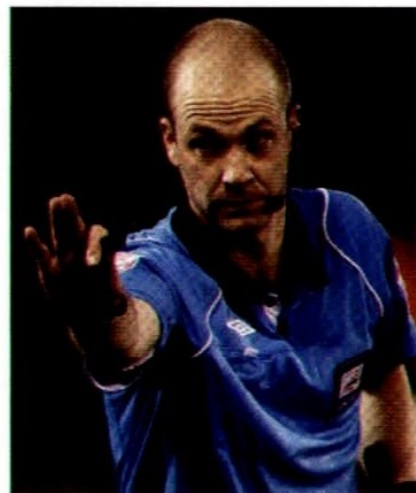
The Hungarian schemer is quick to share the plaudits despite enjoying a fine 2009-10 campaign so far and scoring some important goals along the way. Playing in a more advanced role than previously, he now has three goals in his last seven games.

"We are in a good place," he told [fulhamfc.com](http://fulhamfc.com). "We have a good squad and we're doing very well, working hard for each other, for the team, and

you can see that out on the pitch. For me, it's been about the performance of the whole team.

"I enjoy playing behind Bobby because it gives me the freedom to run behind defenders - it's a good position for me. Now I just want to stay in the team, keep scoring goals, and keep working for the team."

And the 30-year-old hopes to add to the Whites' recent fine form with a good run in the FA Cup. He added: "Hopefully we will go through, but in the Cup you never know. But it would be great to go through and put a good run together."



## MAN IN THE MIDDLE: ANTHONY TAYLOR

Wythenshawe-born Taylor makes his Craven Cottage bow this afternoon having, to date, overseen Championship, League One and League Two football. A regular FA Cup official, he oversaw Staines' 1-1 draw against Millwall in the last round. On Monday he took charge of Swansea's 0-0 draw with Crystal Palace.

**2009-10: Matches 19, Yellow 47, Red 3**

### Counting Cards: PREMIER LEAGUE



4: Pantić; 3: Greening, Konchesky, Murphy; 2: Baird, Etuhu, Hangeland; 1: Hughes, E. Johnson, Zamora.



1: Dikgacoï.

## PEACOCK PRAISES ROBINS FORM

**S**windon striker Lee Peacock has praised his team-mates ahead of their trip to Craven Cottage today.

Following their 3-1 victory over derby rivals Yeovil on Monday, the 33-year-old believes his side are finding form ahead of their Third Round FA Cup trip.

He told [Swindontownfc.co.uk](http://Swindontownfc.co.uk):

"We've had a few disappointments recently, particularly the Charlton game on Boxing Day and the match with Bristol Rovers, but Monday's performance was more like our old selves. It was pretty impressive.

"The lads were solid at the back, and apart from a few little mistakes it was



Lee Peacock

a really solid performance while the lads up front are on fire at the minute. There are a lot of positives to take."



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# SWINDON TOWN

**FORMED: 1879**

**NICKNAME: THE ROBINS**

**CHAIRMAN: ANDREW FITTON**



**S**uccessive 1-0 victories against Woking at the County Ground, and at Wrexham, earned Swindon a place in the FA Cup Third Round for the third season in four. However, the Robins have not progressed to the Fourth Round stage since 1996 when they went on to reach the last 16. The Wiltshire club have twice reached the FA Cup Semi-Finals, although the last time was some 98 years ago.

Whilst forcing a replay this afternoon would be a creditable achievement for the Robins, it would leave them open to the unusual possibility of going out of three cup competitions on penalties in the same season. In the Carling Cup, after whipping MK Dons 4-1 on their own ground, Town faced Premier League Wolves at Molineux where they lost 6-5 in a shoot-out after 120 goalless minutes. A similar fate awaited them in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy when Norwich were successful from the spot

following another 0-0 draw. Swindon had, however, disposed of Exeter on penalties in a previous round.

Amongst the highlights in the club's history is a single season membership of the FA Premier League, in 1993-94. They last played at Championship level in 1999-2000 since when they have spent all but one season in the third tier of English football. Relegated in 2006, Swindon bounced back at the first time of asking, guided by Paul Sturrock. He departed for Plymouth in November 2007 and was replaced by Maurice Malpas, but following a poor start to last season the club dismissed the Scotsman and after a short period under David Byrne (who played five games on loan at Fulham in 1992) Danny Wilson was appointed the new boss on Boxing Day 2008.

Wilson slowly but surely guided the club away from the relegation zone to an eventual 15th place finish. And despite starting this season with a 5-0

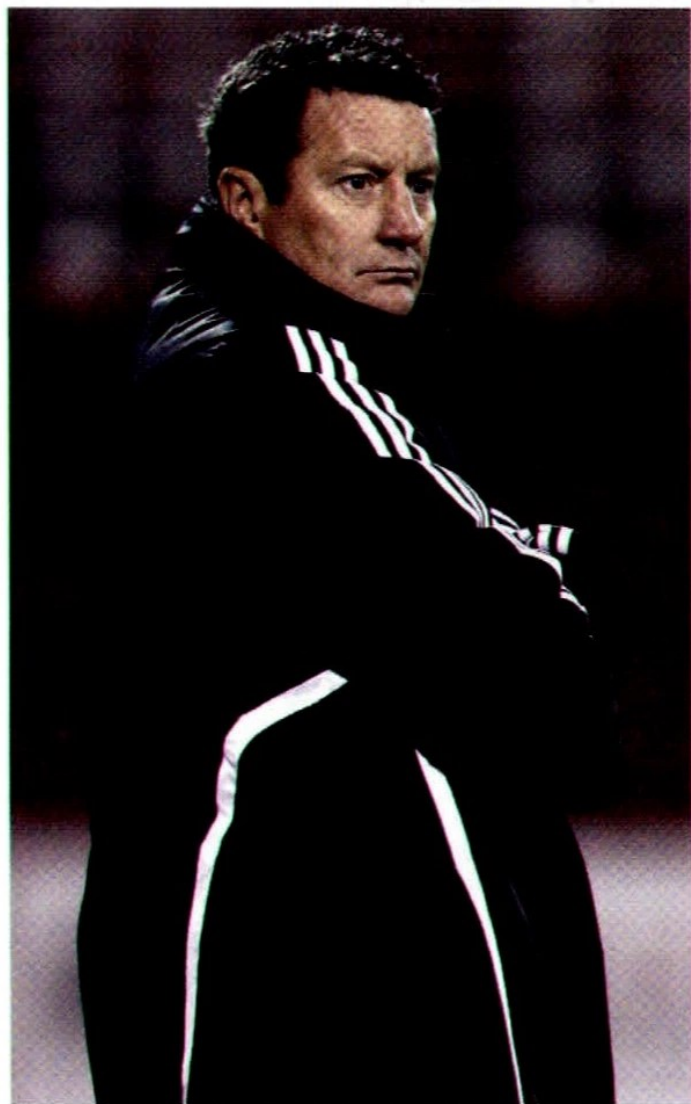
thumping at Gillingham, the Robins are handily placed to be involved in the battle for a Play-Off place during the second half of the campaign.

Swindon went into the Christmas campaign having already won four times on the road this season, including a 3-2 success at Brentford in October. At home they lost just one of their opening nine League One games.

Most of the current Swindon squad were at the club last season, although 32 goal Simon Cox was snapped up by Championship club West Bromwich Albion for £1.5 million.

In terms of recruitment, Wilson continued to add to the club's significant Scottish contingent with the arrival of Alan O'Brien from Hibernian and Scott Cuthbert from Celtic. Other new acquisitions included Leeds midfielder Jonathan Douglas, goalkeeper David Lucas, and goalscoring sensation Charlie Austin, plucked from non-League Poole Town.





## MEET THE GAFFER

**DANNY WILSON**  
**BORN 01.01.60**  
**WIGAN, ENGLAND**  
**APPOINTED DECEMBER 2008**

Appointed Manager of Swindon in December 2008 in succession to Maurice Malpas. The Robins were flirting with relegation at the time of his appointment, but eventually secured 15th place. Swindon was Wilson's sixth managerial appointment.

A midfielder in his playing days, he began his career at Bury before spending three seasons with Chesterfield. In 1983 he moved to Nottingham Forest, but his stay there was shortlived and he played just 10 games before joining Brighton.

As his career moved into its latter stages, success came his way, Wilson scoring a never to be forgotten goal as Luton came from behind to beat Arsenal in the 1988 League Cup Final, a competition he also won with Sheffield Wednesday in 1991. A Northern Ireland international, Wilson won 24 caps between 1987 and 1992, before finishing his playing days at Barnsley.

It was with the Tykes that he cut his managerial teeth too, and he did so in fine style, guiding the Yorkshire club into the top-flight for the first time ever in 1997. Barnsley lasted just one season amongst the elite and in June 1998 he rejoined Sheffield Wednesday. His tenure at Hillsborough was not a particularly happy one and at one stage he even had to contend with four local Members of Parliament calling for his head. He was dismissed in March 2000.

Wilson's next stop was Ashton Gate where he twice guided Bristol City into the Division Two Play-Offs but failed to gain promotion. After a spell with MK Dons he was appointed boss of newly relegated Hartlepool in 2006, guiding them back to League One at the first attempt.

## IN THE HEADLINES



After a year in charge, Danny Wilson says his Swindon side are making excellent progress.



The Robins boss has also confirmed that he is keeping tabs on Woking midfielder Harry Arter.



Young striker Danny Ward is hoping he can persuade Swindon to extend his loan deal from Bolton Wanderers.



Meanwhile, the club are reportedly interested in extending Simon Ferry's stay at the County Ground. The 21-year-old is due to return to Celtic in January.



Swindon chairman Andrew Fitton expects loaned out midfielder Anthony McNamee to sign a permanent deal with Norwich City.





## HOT PROSPECT

**22. LLOYD MACKLIN**

**RIGHT MIDFIELDER**



Became the youngest ever player to represent Swindon at first team level when he came on as a substitute against Brentford in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy in 2007. Macklin graduated through the youth ranks, emerging into a reserve team regular in 2007-08 and signing professional in 2009.

A quick and lively right winger, he was a regular goal scorer for the youth team and has made a number of first team appearance this season. Age 18.

## DANGER MAN

**20. BILLY PAYNTER**

**STRIKER**

A tall and powerfully built 'old-fashioned centre-forward' who is always likely to score goals and is the leading marksman this season despite having to forge new striking partnerships following the departure of Simon Cox to West Bromwich Albion.

Paynter began his career with Port Vale where, in 2001, he became the club's youngest debutant in more than 20 years. He scored 34 goals in 158 games for Vale where he was voted Player of the Season in 2004-05.

After a loan spell with Hull, he joined the Tigers permanently in 2006 but was soon on the move again, to Southend United. Once again his stay was brief and included a month on loan at Bradford, but in August 2007 he

joined Swindon, and quickly became a firm favourite with the County Ground fans following a hat-trick in one of his early appearances against Bournemouth.

Occasionally deployed in a right-sided midfield role in which he won honours in a Football League under-21 side against an Italian Serie B select in 2006. Age 25.



## ANGLO-ITALIAN ROBINS

**SWINDON'S ACHIEVEMENTS UP CLOSE**

Since turning Professional in 1894, Swindon Town have enjoyed periods of proud success, most notably in the late 1960s and early 90s.

The Robins won the 1969 League Cup by defeating Arsenal, the same season they secured promotion to Division Two. The Football Association blocked Swindon from entering the Inter Cities Fairs Cup, instead rewarding them with a place in the inaugural Anglo Italian Cup. Swindon went on to win the competition, beating Juventus and Napoli en route. Defeated finalists Arsenal were to win the Inter Cities



Fairs Cup in the same year.

The club has twice won promotion to the top-flight, the first time in 1990 when financial irregularities saw the club relegated two divisions. Swindon recovered, however, to eventually win promotion again in 1993.



**1. DAVID LUCAS****GOALKEEPER**

Signed from Leeds in June 2009, the ex-England U21 began his career with Preston, where he spent 10 seasons. Won a League One Play-Off medal with Sheffield Wednesday before moving to Barnsley. Age 32.

**12. PHIL SMITH****GOALKEEPER**

First choice prior to Lucas' arrival, Smith signed from Crawley Town in 2006. Began his career at Millwall with whom he made five appearances prior to dropping into non-League football in 2001. Age 30.

**2. SCOTT CUTHBERT****RIGHT / CENTRE-BACK**

Signed last summer from Celtic without making a senior appearance for the Bhoys. Gained experience on loan at Livingston and then St. Mirren last season. Capped at U21 and B level for Scotland. Age 22.

**3. ALAN SHEEHAN****LEFT-BACK**

On loan from Leeds, Sheehan is a former Republic of Ireland U21 international who joined Leicester in 2003 having been spotted playing for Dublin side St. Francis. Joined Leeds in January 2008. Age 23.

**5. GORDON GREER****CENTRE-BACK**

Signed last summer following a successful loan spell in which he was made captain. Began his career at Clyde before a spell at Blackburn where he scored on his debut against Barcelona in the UEFA Cup. Age 29.

**15. KEVIN AMANKWAAH****RIGHT-BACK**

A tall defender who likes to push forward, he joined from Swansea in 2008. Previously with Bristol City and Yeovil Town, his mother was a Commonwealth Games 100m relay medal winner for Ghana. Age 27.

**16. HASNEY ALJOFREE****CENTRE-BACK**

Former Manchester United trainee currently on his way back following a knee injury. A wholehearted player who joined from Plymouth in August 2007. Previously with Bolton and Dundee United. Age 31.

**17. CALLUM KENNEDY****LEFT-BACK / MIDFIELDER**

Highly rated youngster who made his League debut at Carlisle last season. Has played a number of games this season including the FA Cup First Round win over Woking. Age 20.

**19. JEAN-FRANCOIS LESCINEL****LEFT / CENTRE-BACK**

Signed a one year contract in May 2009 after impressing on trial. A strong, robust defender, his last club was Guingamp whom he joined after a spell with Falkirk in 2006. Capped four times for Haiti. Age 23.





#### 4. JONATHAN DOUGLAS

##### MIDFIELDER

Signed last summer after his release by Leeds. A midfield anchorman, he also spent part of last season operating at left-back. Previously with Blackburn where injury restricted his appearances. Age 28.



#### 7. JON-PAUL MCGOVERN

##### RIGHT WINGER

Former Celtic youth graduate who played with both Sheffield clubs before joining MK Dons in 2006. A hard running winger with an excellent cross, he is a firm favourite at the County Ground. Age 29.

#### 18. ALAN O'BRIEN

##### WINGER

Eire international who made his debut for Swindon in the opening day defeat at Gillingham. Having started his career at Newcastle, he enjoyed a brief loan spell at Carlisle before moving to Hibernian in 2007. Age 24.

## CULT HERO



### FRASER DIGBY

**Goalkeepers are often the unsung heroes of a successful team; a top class keeper can be worth dozens of points over a season.**

This is certainly true of Fraser Digby who, following a successful loan spell, joined Swindon Town on a free transfer from Manchester United in 1986 and went on to make more than 400 appearances for the Robins.

During this period, Swindon boasted a formidable defence, with players such as Shaun Taylor, David Kerlake and Glenn Hoddle, but perhaps the toughest line of all to breach was the final one. In a one-on-one situation, Digby seldom came out second best, and he had all the attributes a team could wish for in a goalkeeper; strength, athletic shot-stopping, intelligence, and a leadership of his penalty box.

In his first season, under Lou Macari, Swindon won promotion from the Fourth Division with a league record of 102 points, and Digby remained Town's number one as the club marched up the pyramid, eventually reaching the

Premier League in 1993.

Following the departure of player/manager Glenn Hoddle and a number of other key players in the close season after promotion Swindon struggled in the top-flight and were relegated after just one campaign, but whilst key players such as Colin Calderwood, Nicky Summerbee and Jan-Aage Fjortoft departed, Digby remained at the County Ground and was again pivotal in the Division Two Championship achieved in 1996.

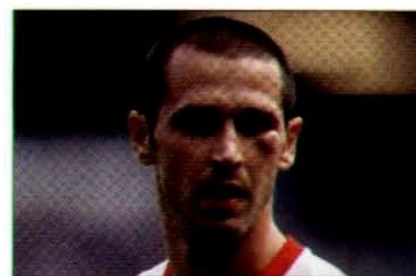
The crowd favourite eventually left in 1998, signing for Crystal Palace, and he also had spells at QPR and Kidderminster Harriers before hanging up his gloves in 2003.



#### 10. MICHAEL TIMLIN

##### CENTRAL MIDFIELDER

A Fulham Academy graduate, Timlin is a strong ball winner who passes the ball well. Experienced loans at Scunthorpe and Doncaster prior to two loan periods at Swindon. He joined the club permanently in 2008. Age 24.



#### 8. CRAIG EASTON

##### CENTRAL / RIGHT MIDFIELDER

Former Scottish U21 international who spent nine seasons with Dundee United and one at Livingston before joining Orient for whom he scored in an infamous Cup win over Fulham. Age 30.



**24. DANIEL WARD**

**STRIKER**

Highly coveted from a young age, Bolton signed the powerful striker from Leeds when he was 16. Made his Premier League debut at the start of the season before joining the Robins on loan in November. Age 18.



**30. SIMON FERRY**

**MIDFIELDER**

On loan from Celtic until the end of the month, Ferry was part of the Scottish U19 side that reached the 2006 European U19 Championship Final. Man of the Match on his debut against Southend in August. Age 21.



**9. BEN HUTCHINSON**

**STRIKER**

On loan from Celtic, Hutchinson is a former Middlesbrough trainee who made eight Premier League appearances for Boro and scored on his debut, at Manchester City. Joined Celtic in 2008. Age 22.



**21. LEE PEACOCK**

**STRIKER**

Experienced striker who started at Carlisle before moving to Mansfield in 1997. A brief spell at Manchester City in 2000 was followed by four years at Bristol City, most of which was under Danny Wilson. Age 33.



**31. ALEX REVELL**

**STRIKER**

Hardworking forward on loan from Southend having recovered from a broken leg. Started out with Cambridge but dropped into non League with Braintree before reviving his career at Brighton. Age 26.

**32. CHARLIE AUSTIN**

**STRIKER**

Cup-tied free-scoring striker who hit 46 in 46 games for Poole last season. Spent pre-season with Bournemouth who were unable to sign him due to a transfer embargo. Signed for Swindon in October. Age 20.







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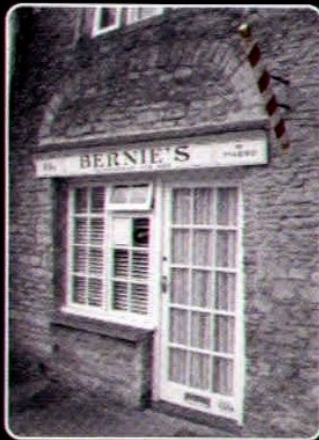
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## CLUB RECORDS

**Premier League:** 1 season in 1993-94  
**Division One Play-Off winners:** 1993  
**Division Two Champions:** 1996  
**Division Four Champions:** 1986  
**FA Cup Semi-Finalists:** 1910 & 1912  
**League Cup Winners:** 1969  
**Anglo-Italian Cup Winners:** 1970  
**Most League apps:** John Trollope, 770 (1960-80)  
**Most League goals:** Harry Morris, 216 (1926-33)  
**Record Transfer Paid:** £800,000 to West Ham for Joey Beauchamp in August 1994  
**Record Transfer Received:** £1.5m from Manchester City for Kevin Horlock in January 1997 and from WBA for Simon Cox in July 2009.

## LAST SEASON

**League One:** 15th  
**FA Cup:** First Round  
**Carling Cup:** First Round  
**Johnstone's Paint Trophy:** Southern quarter-final  
**Top Scorer:** Simon Cox 32 (29 L1, ICC, 2JPT)

## LAST FIVE

Yeovil	H	L1	W	3-1
Charlton	A	L1	D	2-2
Brighton	H	L1	W	2-1
Bristol Rovers	A	L1	L	0-3
Leyton O	H	L1	W	3-2



## LAST TIME OUT

**Football League One 28.12.09**  
**Swindon Town 3**  
 (Paynter 13, Austin 22, Ward 46)  
**Yeovil Town 1**  
 (Tomlin 27)

# THE KNOWLEDGE

## THE ROBINS' VITAL STATISTICS



## LAST TIME AT THE COTTAGE

Division One: **16.10.99**  
**Fulham 1**  
 (Horsfield 84)  
**Swindon Town 0**  
 Attendance **13,715**

## APPEARANCES AND GOALS

Correct to 29.12.09

	APPS 09-10	GOALS 09-10	STFC APPS	STFC GOALS
<b>Hasney Aijofree</b> Born 11.07.78 Manchester, England	0	0	62+2	3
<b>Kevin Amankwaah</b> Born 19.05.82 Kenton, England	28	2	56+5	4
<b>Charlie Austin</b> Born 05.07.89 Hungerford, England	7+2	7	7+2	7
<b>Scott Cuthbert</b> Born 15.06.87 Alexandria, Scotland	24	2	24	2
<b>Jonathan Douglas</b> Born 22.11.81 Monaghan, Eire	24	0	24	0
<b>Craig Easton</b> Born 26.02.79 Bellshill, Scotland	2+2	0	65+10	8
<b>Simon Ferry</b> Born 11.01.88 Dundee, Scotland	20	1	20	1
<b>Gordon Greer</b> Born 14.12.80 Glasgow, Scotland	27	1	46	2
<b>Ben Hutchinson</b> Born 27.11.87 Nottingham, England	9+3	1	9+3	1
<b>Lesciel Jean-Francois</b> Born 02.10.86 Cayenne, French Guyana	20+3	0	22+6	0
<b>Callum Kennedy</b> Born 09.11.89 Chertsey, England	6+4	0	10+5	0
<b>David Lucas</b> Born 23.11.77 Preston, England	24	0	24	0
<b>Lloyd Macklin</b> Born 02.08.91 Camberley, England	2+8	0	2+8	0
<b>Mark Marshall</b> Born 05.05.87 Manchester, England	0+3	0	1+7	0
<b>Jon-Paul McGovern</b> Born 03.10.80 Glasgow, England	27	2	92+12	7
<b>Anthony McNamee</b> Born 13.07.83 London, England	18+4	2	69+19	4
<b>Sean Morrison</b> Born 08.01.91 Plymouth, England	6	0	28+3	1
<b>Alan O'Brien</b> Born 20.02.85 Dublin, Eire	3+7	0	3+7	0
<b>Billy Paynter</b> Born 13.07.84 Liverpool, England	22+3	12	93+19	34
<b>Lee Peacock</b> Born 09.10.76 Paisley, Scotland	0+7	0	113+19	21
<b>Alex Revell</b> Born 07.07.83 Cambridge, England	9+3	2	9+3	2
<b>Alan Sheehan</b> Born 14.09.86 Athlone, Eire	6	0	6	0
<b>Phil Smith</b> Born 14.12.79 London, England	4	0	83	0
<b>Michael Timlin</b> Born 19.03.85 London, England	9+9	0	80+19	4
<b>Daniel Ward</b> Born 11.12.91 Bradford, England	0+5	1	0+5	1

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## WITH BILLY PAYNTER

**T**his is what the FA Cup is all about isn't it? A team from League One looking to upset the odds at a Barclays Premier League ground?

It's a good draw for us and one that we've been very excited about taking part in. When you reach the Third Round of the FA Cup there's always a strong chance that you will get drawn against one of the big clubs and we did, which is what you want. Okay, Fulham will start as favourites, but we have nothing to lose and we'll be giving it our all to get our names in the hat for the Fourth Round. Fulham are a top club and a team in very good form, but we're confident in our ability and as everyone knows, anything can happen in the FA Cup.

**You've already played two games to get to this point, against Woking and Wrexham, how did they go?**

They were tough and you could tell that both Woking and Wrexham wanted to beat a team from a higher league, which is what happens in this competition.

It will be the same for us this afternoon. They were up for it and in some ways it was their FA Cup Final, as again, will be the case for ourselves. Both matches were tight, we beat them both 1-0, but it was a good experience and good preparation for Cup football.

**Your team-mate Michael Timlin spent some time at Fulham, coming through the Academy here, has he had much to say about the draw?**

Tims spent a few seasons at Craven Cottage so he was obviously very pleased to find out that he would be going back. It's an exciting one for him - I'll think he'll be grabbing as many tickets

as he can! He's got a little insight and we'll take what we can. He's certainly looking forward to it, as we all are.

**Leading into the game has there been much of a buzz?**

Well, it's a big game and a big occasion for all of us. The fans have had the biggest buzz, and although it's an exciting one for us too, we've had league games to concentrate on. We've had a few games over the holiday period and it really has been about taking each one as it comes. But we're here now and raring to go.

**Have you had the chance to see much of Fulham this season?**

I have actually. I've been watching them in Europe and saw them beat Basel the other week. I've always thought they are a very good side and, being an Evertonian, I've seen them do very well against the Toffees over the years. They've got some big players with plenty of experience and as they have shown, they're a side that can beat the likes of Manchester United and Liverpool on their day - and beat them comfortably too! They do like to get the ball down and play football and, as is often the case with those types of teams, we'll get the chance to play as well. Swansea gave them a good go last season and we can take heart from that. We like to play good football as well, so hopefully we can show that in what promises to be an entertaining game.

**A lot of people highlight how special the FA Cup is, do you agree, and if so what makes it special for you?**

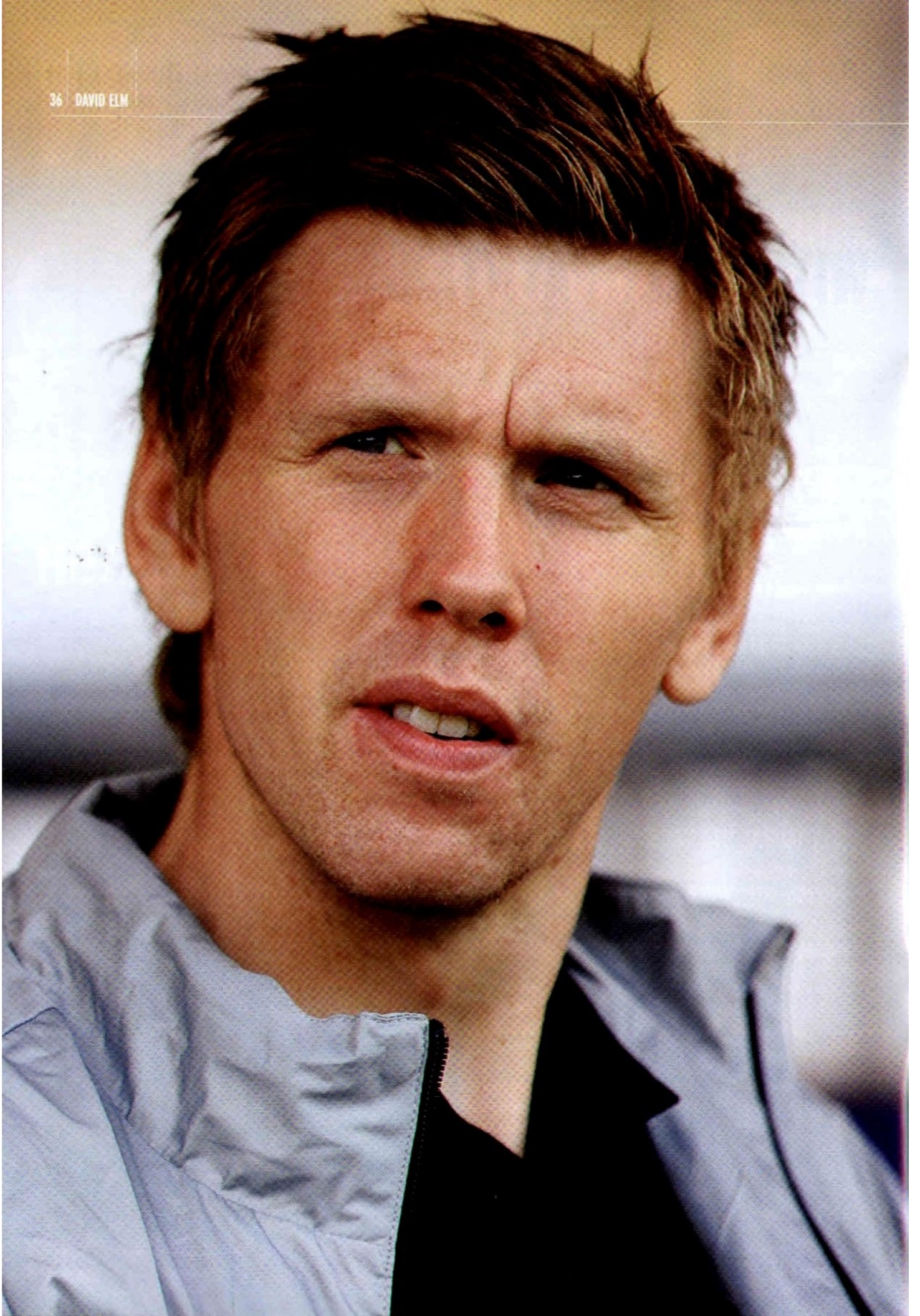
First of all it's the tradition isn't it? The Cup's history is unrivalled and it's the one we have all watched from our childhood. I've seen some classic games over the years, and every season it just excites the fans. It's always a day for the underdog and we've seen a lot of upsets along the way. Then you get amateur players playing at grounds like Anfield - so it's a chance for everyone to have their day. As you say, it's a special competition and one with a lot of magic.

**For fans that might not be aware of how well Swindon are doing in League One, how has the season gone so far?**

We're quite pleased with how things are going so far, although there is always room to do better. We've got ourselves back in the Play-Off positions and that will be the aim for the remainder of the season. We're in a good run of form and, as it stands, we've had one defeat in our last eight league games. It's very positive and hopefully we can add to that today with a victory.









# CUP OF HOPE

HAVING WATCHED HIS HEROES DO BATTLE IN THE FA CUP AS A YOUNGSTER, FULHAM'S SWEDISH STRIKER IS CHOMPING AT THE BIT TO BE INVOLVED HIMSELF...

WORDS TOM BROWN

**T**he magic of the FA Cup stretches far and wide - just ask Fulham striker David Elm.

For even in the small Swedish town of Broakulla the elation and frustration of the world's oldest knockout football competition was watched keen-eyed and with unrelenting interest.

It was a contest that quickly caught one youngster's attention and did much to shape his dreams and ambitions of becoming a professional footballer. Like many football-crazy Scandinavians, the FA Cup helped Elm fall in love with the game.

"When I was small it was my ambition to play in the Premier League and in the FA Cup," he recalls. "So when I was offered the chance to come and play in England I was obviously thrilled - it was a wonderful opportunity for me and it moved me closer to fulfilling that dream.

"It has always been about the English Premier League for me, not the Italian Serie A, the German Bundesliga or the Spanish Primera Liga. Like many Scandinavians I have grown up watching English football - for us it's the best league in the world.

"With that, of course, I am familiar with the FA Cup and I've watched some fantastic games over the years. It's a difficult competition to win and I would love to see Fulham reach the Final in May.

"That route to Wembley is full of obstacles and difficulties and a team knows that they have done very well to get that far. Fulham reached the Quarter-Final last season so it would be very nice to go even further this time around."

It may be Elm's first taste of FA Cup football if included in

Roy Hodgson's squad this afternoon, but the 26-year-old does know what it takes to reach the final of a cup having helped former club Kalmar FF lift the Svenska Cupen - Sweden's equivalent.

In fact, Elm won pretty much everything in his two seasons at the club, contributing as the Swedish minnows claimed a surprising league championship and the Swedish Super Cup too.

"The Svenska Cupen is obviously not as big as the FA Cup, but it still takes a lot for a team to lift the trophy," says David. "I do have experience of cup football, albeit on a smaller scale, so I like to think that, if needed along the way, I can play my part.

"I enjoyed some success in Sweden with Kalmar, who really came from out of nowhere to win the cup in 2007 and then the league in 2008. They're a team with a very good reputation.

"You can't really compare Fulham and Kalmar, but there are a few similarities. They're both small clubs that have turned a lot of heads; they also share a similar club atmosphere and group of fans. The style of football is not too dissimilar either, with Kalmar built around a good solid defence, hard work and organisation."

While at Kalmar FF, David had the remarkable honour of taking to the field and lifting trophies with his two brothers Viktor (now at SC Heerenveen), 24, and Rasmus (now with AZ Alkmaar), 21.

"The three of us are very proud to have played and won trophies together," he says. "It's quite an unusual story in football to find three brothers playing professionally. Of course, you have Björn Helge Riise and his brother John Arne, but I don't know of three other brothers playing.

"We're all very different players too. I am the striker, the



## "It has been a dream of mine to play in this competition from a very young age."

target man of the team, while Viktor is the ball-winner, the physical midfield player. Then you have Rasmus who is the tactician, the more creative one."

With just 30 minutes of First Team football under his belt so far, Elm's impact since his arrival on September 1st 2009 has been limited. But with the likes of Bobby Zamora, Diomansy Kamara, Erik Nevland and Andrew Johnson blocking his path, breaking into Roy Hodgson's First Team striking



plans is no easy feat.

With most new signings a level of expectancy is placed, with pressure to perform almost immediately. While some hit the ground running, others have to bide their time and wait.

"My chance will come, I'm sure," he says. "There are a lot of very good strikers in the squad, so it will be difficult for me, but I knew that before I arrived. It's a challenge, but one that I am willing to take.

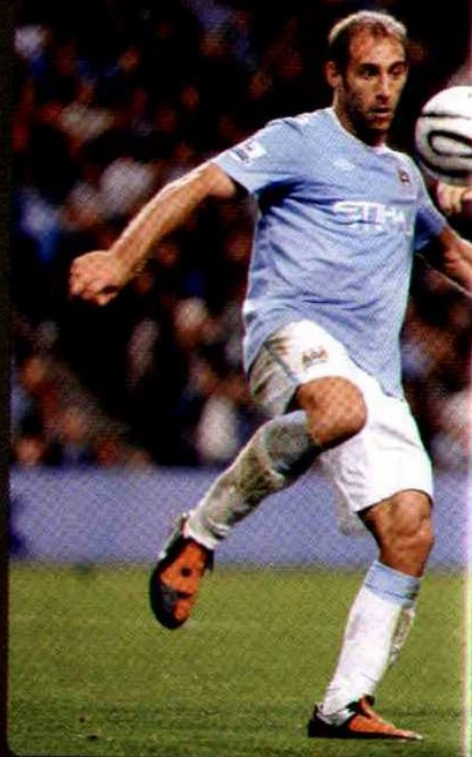
"I've only been at the Club for just over four months now, so I'm still finding my feet. So far it's really been about getting used to the tempo of English football.

"It's a massive step up from what I was used to in Sweden, even in terms of training. I've had to adjust and settle into what is a challenging environment. It's been a bit of a slow start, but I think I'm starting to adapt.

"But a lot of Scandinavian players find that. I have spoken to the likes of Brede, Erik, Toni, Freddie and Björn and they all say that it takes time. It happens differently for each player and for me it's perhaps taken a little while longer - I just have to be patient.

"I'm learning all of the time and I already feel that I have become a better player in the short time that I have been here. I go to the Cottage for every game and watch the team from the sidelines, taking in the way that they play and how the forwards work from the front.

"I've been really impressed with what I have seen and the team has been doing very well again, already beating sides like Manchester United and Liverpool. I was aware of the success that they had last season too, and I would love to be part of these great



victories. That was one of the main reasons why I signed."

Another significant factor was the Manager - who won five consecutive league titles with Malmö and built up a remarkable reputation in Denmark and Norway too. Hodgson, alongside Bob Houghton, was the man accredited with changing the face of Swedish football from a Germanic man-for-man, to a more archetypal English approach.

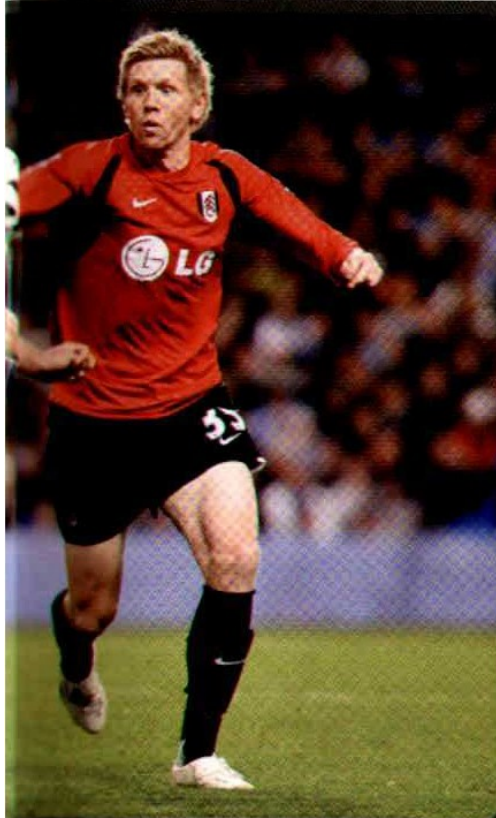
"Roy Hodgson is a fantastic manager and, of course, he is another reason why I wanted to become a Fulham player," David admits. "There's no way I could turn down the chance to work for him.

"He has a wonderful reputation back home, having achieved a lot of success with Halmstads and Malmö, before doing very well with FC Copenhagen and Viking Stavanger.

"He made a great impact on Swedish football and in the late 1970s he helped change the game in my homeland.

"I had never met him before I first came here, but I had always heard good things. And when I speak to people back home, all they want to know about is Roy Hodgson - they





have so many questions.

"All I say is that he is all you can want in a manager - he's one of the best."

Whether or not Elm is in Hodgson's thoughts today as Fulham entertain Third Round opponents Swindon Town remains to be seen, although the Swede did impress the last time the Whites featured in a domestic cup as an extra-time replacement in our Carling Cup trip to Manchester City in September.

He's also stood out in the Development Squad, catching the eye with his close control, goalmouth instincts and the ability to bring others into play.

"That [The Carling Cup appearance] was a fantastic moment for me," he explains. "And I would love to experience that again and be involved in the FA Cup squad. It was a fantastic moment, pulling on the Fulham shirt, and I thought that I did well that evening."

"Maybe this will be the competition that I make my breakthrough in, but whoever plays the Manager knows that they will give their all and do their best for the team. The FA Cup is a competition known for its magic - and hopefully some of that will come my way."

## DAVID ON THE FA CUP

**You've been watching the FA Cup for many years now, do you have a favourite moment?**

Well, I have seen a lot over the years, and probably have a lot of favourite moments. I do have a favourite Final, which was the one in 2002 when Arsenal defeated Chelsea 2-0 in a very exciting game. My compatriot Freddie Ljungberg scored the second goal and it was when he had that red flash in his hair. Freddie had a great record in the FA Cup and he had a lot of support in Sweden.

**What are your earliest memories of the Cup?**

I grew up following Manchester United, like many Scandinavians, and I used to love watching Eric Cantona leading them out. They've been involved in some great games and I've watched them reach a number of Finals down the years. With the likes of Jesper Olsen, Peter Schmeichel, Ronnie Johnsen, Ole Gunnar Solskjaer and, more recently, Henrik Larsson in the team, it's been great to see players from Denmark, Norway and Sweden doing so well in the competition.

**What would it mean for you to be involved in the FA Cup?**

It has been a dream of mine to play in this competition from a very

young age, so it really would be a dream come true.

It would be a big honour for me to represent Fulham and hopefully I can play my part.

**What makes the FA Cup such a fascinating competition?**

One of the biggest things is its tradition. I don't think any other cup competition has the same attraction. It's a day for the underdog and a day when anything can happen. Aside from the Premier League it's the trophy that everyone wants to get their hands on - and for most clubs the best chance of silverware.

**And what's your take on today's visitors Swindon Town? They'll certainly want to upset the odds this afternoon and add to that famous tradition...**

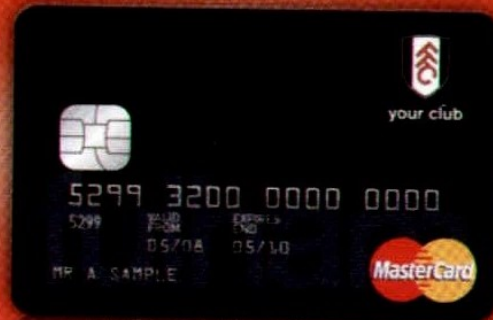
For most, Fulham will start as the favourites, especially as Swindon play their football in League One. But league standings and positions can be forgotten about in the FA Cup - how many times have we seen an upset? We have to be aware of that today because Swindon will come here and make life difficult. Anything can happen in one-off games and we need to be prepared.







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# THROUGH THE RANKS

## MICHAEL KAMAU

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FULL-BACK

AGE 16

HEIGHT 178cm

WEIGHT 67.6kg

**A**t present it appears that Fulham are blessed with an abundance of promising young left-backs.

Joining Joe Anderson, Matthew Briggs and Alex Smith on the conveyor belt is 16-year-old hopeful Michael Kamau who, in his first year of Under-18 football, is establishing himself as a name to listen out for.

While Paul Konchesky very much has the First Team slot sewn up, in recent seasons a number of talented youngsters have risen through the ranks and all have their eyes on a place in Roy Hodgson's squad.

Already this season, Anderson, who is captain of the Development Squad, made his Fulham debut against Manchester City in the Carling Cup, whilst Briggs and Smith have been included in a number of the Whites' trips abroad.

"That's what I want, that's the aim," says Kamau. "There a lot of good left-backs at Fulham and I want to follow a similar path and work my way up through the Academy and into the reserves.

"The Manager is a regular at those games, so that's where the younger players get a chance to show what they can do. I've seen quite a few of my Under-18 team-mates step up and get some minutes for the Development Squad, and the experience is invaluable.

"But I can't think too much about that just yet, because there's still a lot of work that I need to do with the Under-18s."

Having been promoted from the

Under-16s over the summer, the first-year scholar has been working hard and following an injury to fellow Under-18 left-back, Lewis Thomas, has made the position his own in recent weeks.

"I started the current season on the bench, but more recently I have been starting more often than not," details Michael. "The injury to Lewis has been unfortunate, because he's another promising left-back on the Club's books.

"Still, I'm enjoying my run in the team, but Lewis will be back soon and the competition starts again. That said, I've been working hard and doing all I can to keep my place.

"Competition for places is a big part of football, even at this level. The First Team has a lot of players and cover in different positions and it's the same for the Under-18s too.

"But it's a good thing, because it makes players work harder. That's certainly the case for me."

Kamau has been a part of the Fulham Academy for three-and-a-half-years, having been spotted playing in a local five-a-side competition with Slough Juniors.

"My move to Fulham came about quite quickly," he remembers. "I didn't start taking my football seriously until I was about 11 or 12. That's when I thought I would like to play more competitively.

"I had always had a passion for the game but then, all of a sudden, I found myself wanting it more. I wrote to a few clubs in the hope of getting myself a trial, but I didn't have too much luck.

"Then I took part in a five-a-side tournament for my local Sunday league team and having done well I was approached by a Fulham scout. I came to a few sessions with the Club and two weeks later I was a Fulham

player. I've been developing my game here ever since."

The talented youngster came in as a ball-playing central midfielder, but has since been switched to left-full-back - a position in which he has managed to combine his natural creativity and attacking nous with a new found gift for defending.

"Before, I was more used to helping score or set up goals, but now it's my job to keep them out," he says. "I started out in the centre of midfield and even in the Under-16s I was used in a variety of roles.

"It's only really now, in the 18s, that I would say that I have become a full-time left-back. The coaches obviously saw something in my game that suggested I







could do a job there and I have to say I've enjoyed the switch.

"Football is a game of opinions, and I think left-back is one of the hardest positions to play in. Not only do you have to get up the pitch, you also have to defend, track back, stop crosses and offer an outlet.

"I think the decision has been good for me, although at times it has been hard. The biggest challenge was getting used to the more defensive side of the game, but I think I have that understanding now.

"I still like to get forward, but first of all my responsibility lies with defending. I also think that I have become more consistent than when I first stepped up to Gary Brazil's squad."

The Kenya-born teenager enjoyed an exciting 2009, having done well for Mark Pembroke's Under-16s and consequently securing his scholarship. And the New Year also promises much as Kamau looks to extend his personal development and his side's run in the FA Youth Cup.

"Despite a few ups and downs, the last year has been a good one for me," he reveals. "I'm pleased with the

progress that I have made and I think I have coped quite well with the step up from the Under-16s to the Under-18s.

"As a team I think we have made a lot of ground, especially for such a young team - I think we have one of the youngest in the league. Our form has been a bit mixed at times, but over the last couple of months we have been performing pretty well and now have the Fourth Round of the FA Youth Cup to look forward to.

### MICHAEL KAMAU UP CLOSE

**My nickname is** just my surname, Kamau.

**A strength of mine is** probably my speed. I'm pretty quick.

**Although my weakness is** probably my heading, I could do with getting better at that.

**I would say I play most like** Ashley Cole or Gael Clichy. Well, those are the two I most like watching. I aspire to be that kind of left-back.

**The biggest influences on my career have been** my parents Alice and Sam. They have come from a hard

**"Before, I was more used to helping score or set-up goals, but now it's my job to keep them out."**

"It's a big competition for us and having been involved in the last round against Stockport County, hopefully I'll be involved against Bolton at the Reebok Stadium.

"It will be the first chance for most of us to play in a proper stadium and hopefully a taste of what may lie ahead in the future. We are all really looking forward to that one and it would be great if we could put a decent run together."

Ambitious and determined, Kamau need only look at recent Academy graduates Anderson, Briggs and Smith to see what can be achieved in the white of Fulham.

"Those players give me hope," he admits. "They've worked hard and, as a result, they have been given the chance. Who knows if I can follow them into the First Team set-up - but I'll give it a good go!"

background and worked hard to give me all they can.

**My hidden talent is** my ability to dance. I reckon I'm the best dancer in the team! I also enjoy singing - mainly in the shower though!

**My favourite Fulham player is** Clint Dempsey. He always has a lot of time for the Academy boys.

**Growing up my idols were** Roberto Carlos and Robert Pires.

**Five years from now I'll be** hopefully in the First Team and representing my country.



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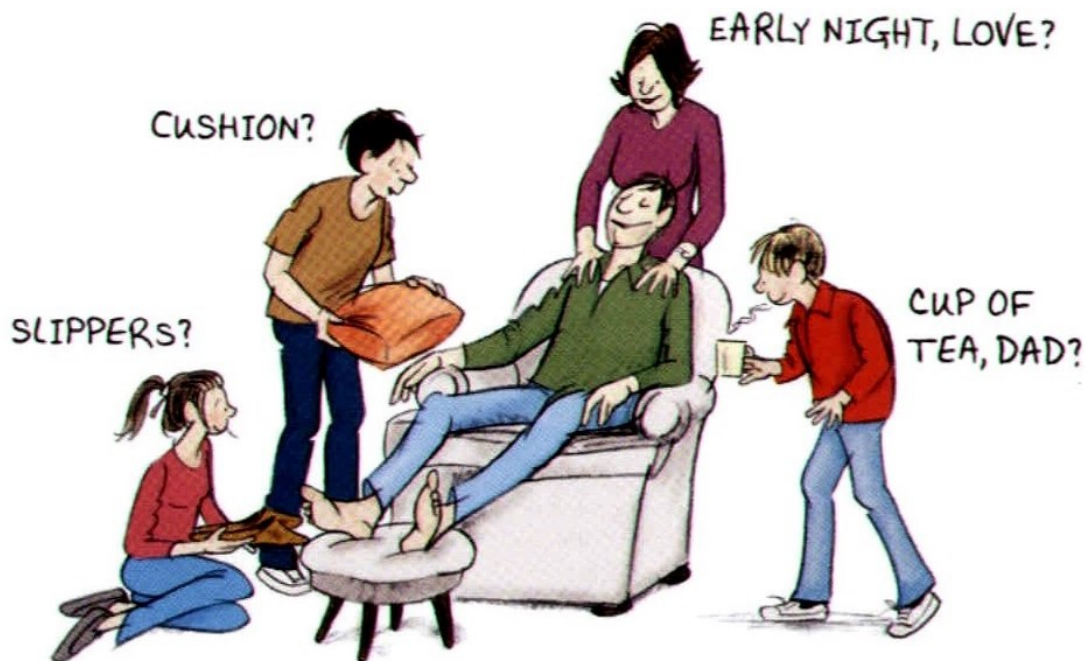
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# REWIND

## IAN MCCULLOCH UNEARTHS A MATCHDAY PROGRAMME FROM A RARE FULHAM CUP SUCCESS AGAINST SWINDON IN 1970...

### In their Cups

While Fulham's FA Cup history against Swindon doesn't make for terribly impressive reading, our League Cup record is superb - the Whites have won every single match in which we've been paired against the Robins. So for the sake of some positive thinking, we're going to focus today's column on a game picked from that wonderful 100 per cent League Cup sequence.

The match in question was back in October 1970 and resulted in a 1-0 victory for the Whites, when Steve Earle's fourth minute goal proved sufficient. And the other wins? Well there haven't been any - this was the only time the two teams have been drawn against each other in the whole competition!

The fourth round tie was quite an

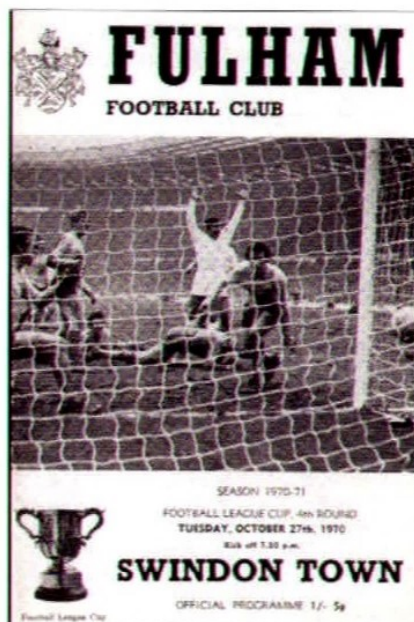
### THE RESULT

League Cup Fourth Round  
Tuesday October 4th, 1970

**FULHAM 1** (Steve Earle)

**SWINDON TOWN 0**

ATTENDANCE: 22,576



occasion for Third Division Fulham. Swindon were in the Second Division and were still pretty big celebrities, having won the League Cup itself while a Third Division side some 18 months earlier. However, the programme was quick to pooh-pooh that achievement, pointing out that the Robins weren't the first, and that the Whites had already knocked out the club who were. "The greatest day Swindon football has known is summed up in one picture - on our front cover," it began. "Yet it did not make history."

And while the visiting fans were reeling from this opening salvo, the boot was put in even further. "Swindon were following a marked trail," it said. "Two seasons earlier the first Wembley final of this competition had also been won by a Third Division club, Queens Park Rangers. We mention this in no spirit of belittlement of Swindon, rather

to take the chance to recall that QPR were the most recent of our victims in this season's League Cup." So there.

### Pride of Wiltshire

Conscious that they were perhaps being a touch grudging, the programme later relented. "Swindon are still seeking First Division status," it said. "But to prove our respect for them we can now mention that they have since achieved something no other club has managed. Only five months ago they became the first winners of the Anglo-Italian tournament." This, remember, was a competition devised, apparently, to placate the Robins who were denied automatic entry into the Fairs Cup because of their lowly status. Fulham were to go undefeated through the same tournament in 1973.

"Other clubs entered included Wolves, Juventus, West Bromwich Albion, Fiorentina, Roma, Napoli, etc," the programme continued. "Swindon reached the final, based on goal-scoring as well as wins, then tackled a tie against the formidable Napoli... in Italy. What a triumph it was when they succeeded there by 3-0. So many teams have failed in the Napoli arena and Swindon faced a 50,000 crowd. In fact, the match never finished but because Swindon were leading 3-0 when the crowd invaded the pitch 11 minutes from time, they were awarded the trophy. A wonderfully well-deserved success."

After all the shenanigans Fulham have had to put up with against Roma recently, it seems nothing changes in Italian football.





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## VOICE OF FULHAM

THE greatest day Swindon football has known is summed up in one picture—on our front cover. Yet it did not make history.

Don Rogers is shown standing alone among the shattered Arsenal defence, his arms raised in triumph.

He had just scored his second goal and moments later Wembley were applauding their magnificent extra time victory in the final of the Football League Cup.

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It would thrill us to beat another former holder and maybe go on to become the third club from Division III to carry off the trophy.

Apart from the £100,000 plus gate we could expect to share there is also, traditionally, a second honour to go with such a victory.

Both Q.P.R. and Swindon completed a double in their League Cup year by also winning promotion to Division II. Rangers indeed went on to climb into the First Division with the help of our team manager Bill Dodgin.

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## The Men Who Made Swindon Famous

**Peter Downborough** (Goalkeeper). Born Halifax. Signed August, 1965, from Halifax Town where he was a local product. Fearless, agile. Regular member of promotion winning side of season 1968/69. Height 5ft. 10½ins. Weight 13st. 2lbs.

**Roy Jones** (Goalkeeper). Born Clacton-on-Sea. Signed October, 1967, after obtaining his release from the R.A.F. Played in Anglo-Italian Inter-Club Competition winning team 1969/70. Height 5ft. 11ins. Weight 11st. 12lbs.

**Owen Dawson** (Right Back). Born Hatfield. Signed from Portsmouth June, 1962. Regular first team player until he was unlucky to lose his place through injury. Former Youth International. Regular member of promotion winning side of season 1965/69. Height 5ft. 9½ins. Weight 11st. 12lbs.



**Joe Butler** (Full Back). Born Newcastle. Joined from Newcastle United August, 1963. Tenacity and speed amply make up for his lack of inches. Height 5ft. 7½ins. Weight 11st.



**Rod Thomas** (Full Back). Born Glyn-cornwg. Regular Welsh cap. Signed from Gloucester City July, 1964. Height 6ft. Weight 12st. 10lbs.

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**John Trollope** (Left Back). Born Swindon. Chosen for the first team at the start of 1960/61 season when he was just 15 years old, and was ever present during that season. Together with his partner that year, who was also 16, they were the youngest full backs ever to appear as a pair in League Football. Height 5ft. 10ins. Weight 11st. 13lbs.

### Keeping it in the Family

Playing for Swindon that day was full-back John Trollope, the father of Paul who was to play nearly 100 games for Fulham some 30 years later. Trollope senior spent an incredible 40 years at the County Ground altogether, making 770 appearances for the club before becoming manager in 1981.

Paul, purchased by Kevin Keegan from Derby for £600,000 in 1997, had five years at the Cottage, performing sterling service as a back-up squad player without ever properly establishing himself in the First Team. He is currently manager of Bristol Rovers.

**"It would thrill us to beat another former holder and maybe go on to become the third club from Division Three to carry off the trophy." - Voice of Fulham.**

### A Sticky Tale

The "You Say" page of the programme was taken up with fan letters boasting about who had the oldest programme collection - in fact there was such a big response they'd had to spill over onto a second page.

The clear winner was A. Bruce who claimed to have four bound journals covering the 1911-14 seasons, but pride of place went to J. Piggott who, when talking about his 1928 programme v Luton, proudly proclaimed that it had "been bound with Sellotape!"

### And Finally...

Amongst the myriad of letters describing the old programmes there was this little nugget culled from the 1931-32 season. It was a quote from the sec-manager of the time, J. A. McIntyre, speaking out against supporters clubs.

"I can assure all supporters," he said. "That whilst I am in charge of affairs at Fulham and have the support of my Chairman, Mr. J. Dean, and his colleagues, there will be no so-called supporters club here. If Fulham FC cannot carry on without donations, then it is about

time the ground was sold for a wharf or a potato patch." There must have been some very rich potato farmers around in those days...



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# THE CUP HISTORY BETWEEN US

Club Historian Dennis Turner recalls Fulham v Swindon meetings from over the years...

**T**his is just the fifth time since the Great War that Swindon and ourselves have come out of the hat together in the FA Cup, and the first time in more than 20 years.

Truth be told, Fulham are not doing very well in this relatively short series either. We have lost three of the four previous ties and seem strangely vulnerable at the Cottage. On three occasions we have squandered home advantage, and our single victory came the only time we were drawn away. Indeed, two of Swindon's victories created giant killings at the time.

We were first paired together in 1919-20 when the Football League comprised just two divisions, and Swindon were playing in the Southern

League, which was where we had last met them back in March 1907.

It was the non-Leaguers who won 2-1, all the goals in the first-half, and scored by two interesting individuals. George Travers netted both of Swindon's goals - the son of two music hall artists, he had been in Barnsley's 1912 FA Cup winning team. Ours was scored by **Gordon Hoare**, a famous amateur of his day and noted all round sportsman (a good golfer, swimmer, cyclist and motorcyclist). An England amateur international, Hoare was in the Great Britain football team that won Olympic gold in 1912, as well as playing League football for Arsenal and Glossop.

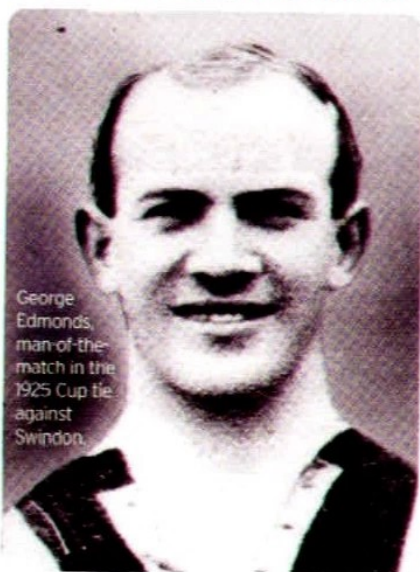
By the time we met again in the Cup five years later Swindon had become



founder members of the Third Division and then the Third Division South. The meeting at the County Ground was in the First Round, the equivalent of today's round three, and attracted a crowd of 20,301, three times the Robins' average gate that season. This was Andy Ducat's first season as our Manager following Phil Kelso's retirement, and we had three survivors from the previous tie, goalkeeper Arthur Reynolds, full-back Alec Chaplin and centre-half Jimmy Torrance. This time, the game went with the formbook.

On a very heavy pitch, we deserved our hard-earned 2-1 win against a side that was pushing for promotion from the Third Division. Swindon took the lead through Johnson, who headed in a Denyer cross. It took us seven minutes to get back on terms. A 40-yard free-kick by Oliver hit the bar and man of the match **Edmonds** was first to the rebound, sweeping the ball into the net.

We took the lead five minutes into the second-half. A neat passing movement gave Craig the chance to shoot, goalkeeper Randall punched his



George Edmonds, man-of-the-match in the 1925 Cup tie against Swindon.



We scraped a 3-3 draw with the Robins in 1977 thanks to Ernie Howe's late headed goal.





Rodney Marsh  
gets an early  
booking in 1977

effort out, but only to **Richards**, who fired into an empty net. Swindon raised their game and only a brilliant two-fisted save by Reynolds from Davies denied them an equaliser. In the closing minutes a Denyer header grazed the bar. There was no further scoring and we progressed to round two, where we lost to the eventual finalists, Cardiff City.

It was over 50 years before we came together again in the FA Cup, and Swindon's victory in January 1977 created something of a sensation. Behind the scenes we were a club in turmoil. The Board was divided into factions, the Trinder-Dean traditionalists and the emerging Clay-Miller association. A few weeks earlier Manager Alec Stock had departed and Bobby Campbell had replaced him. Despite having Bobby Moore, George Best and Rodney Marsh in our line-up, League form had slumped and we had lost four Second Division matches on the trot. Swindon, managed by Danny Williams, were a mid-table Third Division side who had got through to round three by beating two non-League clubs,

### This is just the fifth time since the Great War that Swindon and ourselves have been drawn together.

Bromley and Hitchin (and that had taken them two games).

A Cup tie against lower division opposition was a great opportunity for Fulham to rebuild their sagging confidence, but it did not go according to plan. In front of 16,460 at the Cottage, we were lucky to get a draw.

It took the Wiltshire club just six minutes to take the lead, Anderson scoring from close range after Aizlewood had headed on Moss' corner. We could have gone further behind before **Marsh**, who had been booked after just 15 seconds, scored a spectacular individual equaliser. On the half hour he beat three defenders before firing a low shot into the net. But then, the Robins struck - twice. A defensive error gave Moss a simple chance and a minute before the break, Syrett headed down in the area for McHale to make it 3-1.

In the second-half we stirred

ourselves and the Robins let us off the hook. Best went on a mazy run and crossed for **Barrett** to score at the second attempt. Slough and Barrett both missed good chances and Cutbush forced a fine save from Allan before a soft header by **Howe** six minutes from time forced a replay.

It proved merely to be a stay of execution. We were totally humiliated at the County Ground in front of Swindon's biggest crowd for three seasons, 23,883. It took the home side 40 minutes to break the ice, Anderson converting a cross by Moss, but it was 2-0 at half-time. Syrett took yet another pass from Moss and held off two defenders to score from 12 yards.

The same player hit a post before making it 3-0 after the break from a Moss free-kick. Next it was Moss himself with number four, firing in from a cross by Trollope and he was on the mark again to make it 5-0, this time from a centre by Anderson. It was a rout from

which only Best and Strong could escape censure. Swindon's Cup journey ended at the next stage, but only after they had taken Everton to a replay.

The most recent meeting was in the Third Round in January 1987 when both clubs were in the old Third Division. We were having a tough time. Relegated the previous May and with new owners Marler Estates secretly planning a merger with QPR and building on the Cottage, new Manager Ray Lewington had the odds stacked against him.

It was no real surprise when a second-half goal by Dave Bamber put Swindon through to round four. They were well-organised, closed us down quickly and made the most of the height in their team. It was a narrow win, but enough to earn a sizeable payday at home to Leeds in the next round, certainly better than the 7,077 who saw the game at the Cottage.



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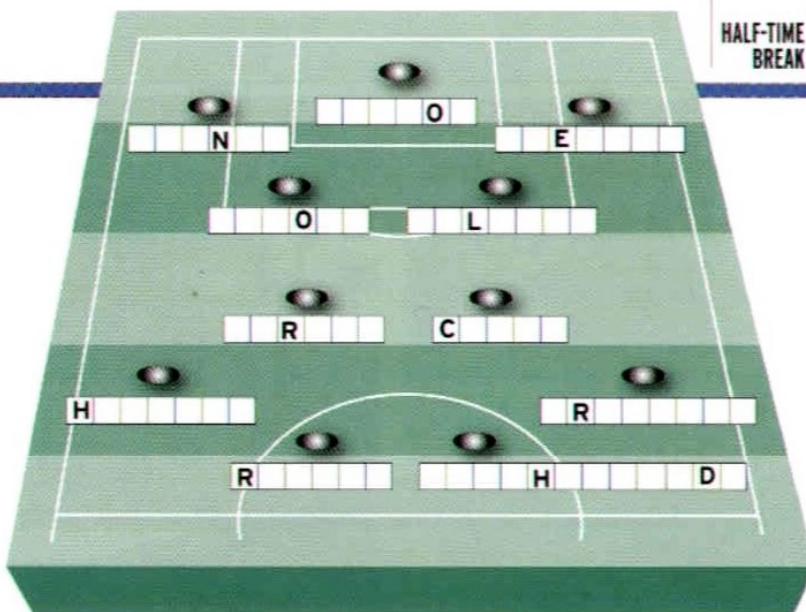


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# THE HALF-TIME BREAK

TENUOUS LINKS

From Swindon 'keeper Phil Smith to our very own Chris Baird in five unconvincing steps...



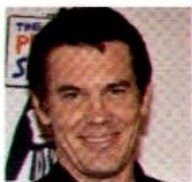
1. Town number two **Phil Smith** was born in Harrow, Middlesex, as was...



2. **Dev Patel**. The 19-year-old star of teen drama *Skins* and Academy Award-winning film *Slumdog Millionaire*, alongside...



3. Now girlfriend **Freida Pinto** who is set to appear in Woody Allen's *You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger* with Anthony Hopkins and...



4. **Josh Brolin**. The 41-year-old was given his acting break in the cult classic *The Goonies*, alongside future *Hobbit*...

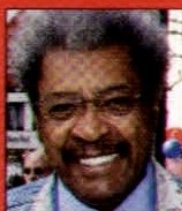


5. **Sean Astin**. The 38-year-old was born in Santa Monica, California, on February 25th - the same day as...



6. Northern Ireland international **Chris Baird** who will turn 28 next month.

PICTURE PUZZLERS Can you fathom out the Fulham (1) legend and Swindon (2) star from the image clues below?





# FLASHBACK

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A visual journey back through time, recalling Fulham FA Cup Third Round ties from over the years...

**1** 11.01.50 Jim Taylor challenges Charlton's Charlie Vaughan in a 1950 Third Round replay.

**2** 05.01.85 Dean Coney slips past Sheffield Wednesday's Brian Marwood, although the Whites would lose 3-2.

**3** 13.01.99 Goal hero Barry Hayles is given a lift off the pitch by Alan Neilson after a 1-0 replay win over Southampton.

**4** 09.01.02 Sylvain Legwinski wheels away after scoring Fulham's first in a 2-2 draw with Lawrie Sanchez's Wycombe. We won the replay 1-0.

**5** 05.01.03 Facundo Sava celebrates his goal in trademark fashion in a 3-1 win over Birmingham City.

**6** 03.01.09 AJ and Clint are ecstatic after the former's late strike at Hillsborough last season.





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 Fulham SW6 6SX  
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**Ages: 3-12**  
**Price: £3 for 1 hour /**  
**£5 for 2 hours**

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Tolworth Recreation Centre, Fullers  
 Way North, Tolworth, Surrey,  
 KT6 7LQ  
 Bookings made at course venue on:  
 020 8391 7910  
**Time: 9:30am-11am**  
**Ages: 5-12**  
**Price: Contact venue**



YMCA Hawker Centre  
 Lower Ham Road, Kingston, Surrey,  
 KT2 5BH  
 Bookings made at course venue on  
 020 8296 9747  
**Time: 9:30am-10:30am**  
**Ages: 3-12**  
**Price: Contact venue**

## MERTON

Dundonald Recreation Ground,  
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**Ages: 4-12**  
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## SURREY

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 Surrey, KT19 8SB  
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# NEW STAFF AT FULHAM FC FOUNDATION!

## Introducing Jamie Henderson, our new Enterprise Officer at the Fulham FC Foundation.

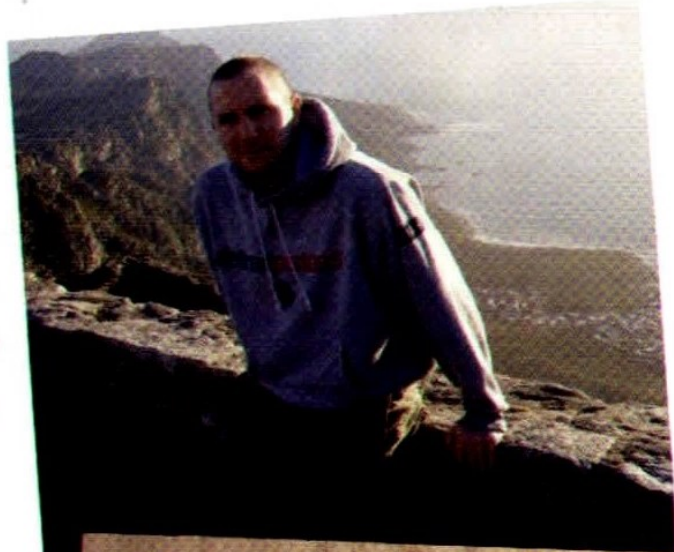
Jamie is eager to start his new role helping to deliver London's first Football Enterprise Academy programme and is looking forward to pioneering the project and contributing to the great work the Foundation team has produced over recent years.

"Enterprise is always an exciting and engaging subject to deliver. However, using Fulham FC as the business model presents me with the opportunity to make it even more so," says Jamie. "The first Enterprise Academy lesson last month was great fun and I was supported by a wide range of Fulham FC staff. Their involvement really helped demonstrate to the children that making Fulham FC a successful business requires much more than simply having a great squad of footballers."

## David Blackmore has also recently joined us as Social Inclusion Officer for Hammersmith and Fulham, Kingston, and Surrey.

David was previously with Brentford FC's Community Sports Trust and has experience in coaching and sports development, both in England and the USA. David is a keen sportsman and continues to coach a range of ages and abilities.

"My passion is football and I believe everyone should have opportunities to play the world's most popular sport," says David. "I'm delighted to join Fulham FC Foundation and work with the Social Inclusion team to provide equal opportunities for all individuals and groups in the community. I'm very committed to helping Fulham FC Foundation develop its innovative projects such as Kickz and Aspire 2 Move, which will increase inclusion and community cohesion."



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McBride, who made more than 150 appearances for the Whites and captained the side to the dramatic Great Escape of 2008, will be joining us for a very special evening in McBride's after

the Portsmouth game.

In his first appearance back at the Cottage since he bade us farewell, Brian will host a special Q&A session giving supporters the opportunity to ask him about his experiences whilst enjoying a drinks reception and finger buffet.

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<p><b>D</b> <b>TOMI KALLIO</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 09.08.78, Tampere, FI <b>Height:</b> 195cm <b>Weight:</b> 89kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> FC Jyväskylä, HJK Helsinki, Waikato FC, Young Boys <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Arsenal (H) 23.08.08</p>	<p><b>F</b> <b>DIOMANSY KAMARA</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 08.08.80, Paris, FR <b>Height:</b> 180cm <b>Weight:</b> 75kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Red Star FC, Cantons, Napoli, Portsmouth, Brentford, Norwich <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Arsenal (A) 12.08.07</p>	<p><b>D</b> <b>STEPHEN KELLY</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 04.09.83, Dublin, IR <b>Height:</b> 183cm <b>Weight:</b> 84kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Tottenham Hotspur, Southampton (loan), DNR (loan), Watford (loan), Birmingham City, Stoke City (loan) <b>FFC Debut:</b> v FK Vetro (H) 04.08.09</p>	<p><b>D</b> <b>PAUL KINCHESKY</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 05.05.76, Barking, ENG <b>Height:</b> 178cm <b>Weight:</b> 144kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> West Ham, Charlton, Tottenham, West Ham <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Arsenal (A) 12.08.07</p>	<p><b>M</b> <b>DANNY MURPHY</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 18.03.77, Chester, ENG <b>Height:</b> 177cm <b>Weight:</b> 81kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Crewe, Liverpool, Charlton, Tottenham <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Nigan (A) 02.08.07</p>
<p><b>F</b> <b>ERIK NEVLAND</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 10.12.77, Slangerup, NO <b>Height:</b> 178cm <b>Weight:</b> 79kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Viking FK, Manchester United, Viking FK (loan), FK Gullstrand (loan), Viking FK, FC Copenhagen <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Aston Villa (H) 03.02.08</p>	<p><b>D</b> <b>JOHN PANTSIL</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 15.06.81, Benin, GH <b>Height:</b> 170cm <b>Weight:</b> 70kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Borussia Dortmund, Liberty Professionals, Borussia Dortmund, Arsenal, Wolves, Leeds, Newcastle, Hull City, Ipswich, Tottenham <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Hull City (H) 04.08.08</p>	<p><b>M</b> <b>B-JORN HELGE RIISE</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 20.06.83, Alesund, NO <b>Height:</b> 170cm <b>Weight:</b> 70kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Aalesund, Viking (loan), Standard Liege, Bryanes (loan), Lillestrøm <b>FFC Debut:</b> v FK Vetro (A) 30.07.09</p>	<p><b>GK</b> <b>MARK SCHWARZER</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 04.10.72, Sydney, AU <b>Height:</b> 194cm <b>Weight:</b> 100kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Marconi Stallions, Dynamo Dresden, Kaiserslautern, Bradford City, Middlesbrough <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Hull City (A) 16.08.08</p>	<p><b>M</b> <b>SEOL KI-HYEON</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 05.01.79, Gyeongsang, KR <b>Height:</b> 185cm <b>Weight:</b> 82kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Anheung, Andong FC, Woens, Reading, Al-Vital (loan) <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Nigan (A) 02.08.07</p>
<p><b>D</b> <b>CHRIS SMALLING</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 27.08.86, Greenwich, ENG <b>Height:</b> 192cm <b>Weight:</b> 89kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Millwall (loan) <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Everton (H) 24.05.09</p>	<p><b>GK</b> <b>DAVID STOCKDALE</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 27.09.65, Leeds, ENG <b>Height:</b> 190cm <b>Weight:</b> 87kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> York, Darlington, Rotherham (loan), Leicester (loan) <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Everton (H) 02.09.09</p>	<p><b>D</b> <b>FREDRIK STOR</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 28.02.84, Stockholm, SW <b>Height:</b> 184cm <b>Weight:</b> 75kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Hammarby IF, Rosengård BK <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Leicester City (H) 27.08.08</p>	<p><b>F</b> <b>BOBBY ZAMORA</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 14.03.81, London, ENG <b>Height:</b> 187cm <b>Weight:</b> 78kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> Bristol Rovers, Bath (loan), Brighton, Tottenham, West Ham <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Hull City (A) 16.08.08</p>	<p><b>GK</b> <b>PASCAL ZUBERBÜHLER</b></p>  <p><b>Born:</b> 16.07.79, Fribourg, CH <b>Height:</b> 190cm <b>Weight:</b> 100kg <b>Previous Clubs:</b> St. Gallen, FC Basel, FC Aarau (loan), Basel, Leverkusen (loan), WBA, Norwich, Southampton <b>FFC Debut:</b> v Burnley (A) 23.08.08</p>





# FFC JUNIORS

## DID YOU KNOW?

That Fulham last beat top-flight opposition in the FA Cup back in 2004 when they defeated Everton.

## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you spot the five inconsistencies between these two images of John Paintsil?



## FA CUP WORDSEARCH

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

Can you find these eight teams competing in the FA Cup Third Round this weekend?

- BARROW
- BLACKPOOL
- BRENTFORD
- FOREST GREEN
- HUDDERSFIELD
- MK DONS
- SCUNTHORPE
- YORK CITY



**MATCH REPORTER'S CARD**

FFC KIDZ REPORTER'S NAME: .....

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TODAY'S OPPONENTS: .....

.....

BEST BIT OF THE GAME: .....

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DO YOU KNOW THE OPPOSITION? .....

THEY PLAY AT: .....

.....

THEIR NICKNAME: .....

HT SCORE: .....

FT SCORE: .....

FFC SCORER: .....

AWAY SCORER: .....

**FA CUP QUIZ**

Can you name the four teams that the Whites played in last season's FA Cup?

1. Third Round
2. Fourth Round
3. Fifth Round
4. Quarter-Final



**WHAT ARE YOU ALL ABOUT?  
DICKSON ETUHU**



**WHAT IS YOUR NICKNAME AMONGST YOUR TEAM-MATES?**

I don't really have a nickname.

**WHAT BOOTS DO YOU WEAR AT THE MOMENT?**

I wear Nike Total 90s. They're my favourite and really comfortable.

**BEST FRIEND IN FOOTBALL?**

I've got a lot you know, but one of them would definitely be Shaun Wright-Phillips of Manchester City.

**WHO IS THE TOUGHEST PLAYER THAT YOU HAVE EVER FACED?**

I have faced a lot of good players over the years, but I would probably say that the best was Paul Scholes.

**AND WHO IS THE BEST PLAYER IN THE WORLD RIGHT NOW?**

Lionel Messi.

**WHO WAS YOUR FOOTBALLING HERO GROWING UP?**

I was an Arsenal fan growing up and my favourite player was Ian Wright.

**AWAY FROM THE PITCH HOW DO YOU RELAX?**

I spend as much time as I can with my family.

**DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN THREE WORDS?**

Hard-working, strong-minded and honest.

**WHO'S THIS?**



ANSWERS: FA Cup Quiz: 1. Sheffield Wednesday, 2. Kettering Town, 3. Swansea City, 4. Manchester United, Who's this? Erik Nevland. Spot the Difference: 1. No sweat band on John's left arm, 2. His right sleeve is all black, 3. The 'C' on the Fulham badge half missing, 4. The red logo is lower, 5. Some white missing on his shorts. Word search: Below.

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## STOKE CITY V FULHAM, BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE TUESDAY JANUARY 5TH 2010, 7.45PM.



Our first Premier League fixture of 2010 takes us to the Britannia Stadium, a ground at which we are unbeaten in our only two previous visits, Stoke having moved to their new home in 1997.

A single Kit Symons goal was sufficient to earn all three points en route to the Division Two title in 1999, whilst last season's encounter just prior to Christmas 2008 ended goalless.

The Potters returned to the top-flight

last season after a 23-year absence, led by Tony Pulis who returned for his second spell as City manager in June 2006. After finishing 2006-07 eighth in the Championship, they went on to gain promotion in 2008 as runners up to West Brom. Many pundits predicted a short stay in the Barclays Premier League, but the Midlands club survived last season with plenty to spare, finishing 12th despite losing three of their final five matches.

After just 14 games of the current season, Stoke had already garnered 20 points, halfway to the assumed guaranteed safety margin of 40. Indeed, during their first seven home games, only Chelsea and Manchester United won at the Britannia, whilst after starting their away campaign with a 4-0 reverse at Liverpool, City were unbeaten on their next four trips, even collecting a first win on the road at Tottenham, before losing consecutive games at Hull and Arsenal.



### TICKETS

On general sale.

#### Prices:

Adults **£25**

Over-65s **£19**

Under-17s **£15**

Under-11s **£12**

**Address:** Britannia Stadium, Stanley Matthews Way, Stoke on Trent, ST4 4EG

**Telephone:** 0871 663 2008

**Capacity:** 28,383

**Visitors Section:** South Stand

### FULHAM AT STOKE CITY

P31 W10 D8 L13 F32 A50

### LAST TIME

Barclays Premier League, 13.12.08

Stoke City 0

Fulham 0

Attendance: 25,287

## GETTING THERE (APPROX 165 MILES FROM FULHAM)

### By Road

Leave London via M1 or M40/M42/M5 to join M6. Continue on M6 until junction 15. Exit signs Stoke on A500 and proceed ahead at roundabout. At next junction exit roundabout along A34, signs Stone/Trentham along Stone Road. Turn left at next roundabout onto Longton Road (A5035). The southern entrance to the stadium is signposted here.

Alternative route: As above until junction 15 on M6 then in 1 mile take right hand exit at roundabout onto A50 signs Longton/Derby. At first exit complete a U-turn on roundabout back onto A50, signs Stoke. Northern entrance to ground is on the left.

### Car Parking

Limited parking at ground. Price £5.

Other car parks available in the town centre. Street parking restricted.

### Coaches

Depart Motspur Park 1.30pm / Craven Cottage 2pm

Season Ticket Holders / Fulham

Members' Club: Adults £15, Juniors £10

Non-Season Ticket Holders/Members: Adults £20, Juniors £15

### By Rail

As this is a midweek game return train travel is not available as the last direct return train leaves before 10pm. For those planning an overnight stay travel from Euston to Stoke-on-Trent. Station two miles. Buses run to ground from Glebe Street, close to station. Taxi about £5. You are advised to check train times before travelling.

## HOW TO BUY TICKETS

### ONLINE OR BY PHONE:

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

[fulhamfc.com](http://fulhamfc.com) | 0870 442 1234

### IN PERSON

#### Craven Cottage Ticket Office

Open Mon-Fri 9am to 5pm; non-matchday

Saturdays 10am to Noon; and matchdays from 9.30am until half-time.

On Saturday matchdays the Ticket Office will also open after the match.

### BY POST

To the FFC Ticket Office, Craven Cottage, Stevenage Road, Fulham, SW6 6HH

### BY FAX

Printable booking forms can be downloaded from [fulhamfc.com](http://fulhamfc.com) and faxed to

020 7384 4810.



## UPCOMING HOME GAMES

**FULHAM V  
PORTSMOUTH**  
BARCLAYS PREMIER  
LEAGUE  
CRAVEN COTTAGE  
SATURDAY JANUARY  
9TH, 3PM



Now on general sale.

Prices from:  
Adults **£30**  
Juniors **£10**

**FULHAM V  
ASTON VILLA**  
BARCLAYS PREMIER  
LEAGUE  
CRAVEN COTTAGE  
SATURDAY JANUARY  
30TH, 3PM



Now on general sale.

Prices from:  
Adults **£35**  
Juniors **£15**

**FULHAM V  
BURNLEY**  
BARCLAYS PREMIER  
LEAGUE  
CRAVEN COTTAGE  
TUESDAY FEBRUARY  
9TH, 8PM



Now on general sale.

Prices from:  
Adults **£25**  
Juniors **£5**

Tickets in block P1 available at  
**50% off** - limited seats remain.  
Season Ticket Holders can  
purchase two extra tickets for  
**£5 each** in the Putney End (not  
available online).  
Members can claim **£5 off** in the  
Hammersmith and Putney Stands.

**FULHAM V  
SHAKHTAR DONETSK**  
UEFA EUROPA LEAGUE  
THURSDAY FEBRUARY  
18TH, 8.05PM



Now on general sale.  
Season Ticket Holders' seats  
will be held until midday on  
January 4th, 2010.

The first 10,000 tickets sold will  
be priced as follows: **£15** Adults,  
**£10** Concessions, **£5** Juniors

**How to Buy**

Tickets will be available online  
and through the Call Centre.  
Tickets will **NOT** be available to  
book in-person or by fax or postal  
application until later notice.

**Please note: tickets will not  
be mailed until late January  
as we are currently awaiting  
the UEFA ticket stock.**

**FULHAM V  
BIRMINGHAM CITY**  
BARCLAYS PREMIER  
LEAGUE  
CRAVEN COTTAGE  
SUNDAY FEBRUARY  
21ST, 3PM



On sale to Season Ticket  
Holders from January 5th.  
On sale to Fulham Members'  
Club from January 7th.  
On general sale from  
January 14th.

Adults **£30**  
Juniors **£10**

## UPCOMING AWAY GAMES

**BLACKBURN ROVERS  
V FULHAM**  
BARCLAYS PREMIER  
LEAGUE  
EWOOD PARK  
SATURDAY JANUARY 16TH, 3PM



Now on general sale (unlimited tickets).

Prices:  
Adults **£29**  
Over-65s **£15**  
Under-16s **£7**

**Coaches:**

Depart Motspur Park 8am / Craven  
Cottage 8.30am  
Season Ticket Holders / Fulham  
Members' Club: Adults **£20**, Juniors **£10**  
Non-Season Ticket Holders/Members:  
Adults **£25**, Juniors **£18**

**TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR  
V FULHAM**  
BARCLAYS PREMIER  
LEAGUE  
WHITE HART LANE  
TUESDAY JANUARY 26TH, 8PM



Now on sale to Season Ticket Holders /  
Fulham Members' Club. General sale TBC

Prices:  
Upper Tier Adults **£36.30**, Over-65s  
**£21.60**, Under-16s **£18.60**  
Lower Tier Adults **£32.30**, Over-65s  
**£19.60**, Under-16s **£16.70**  
(Please note: the lower tier will only be  
available once the upper tier has sold out)

**Coaches:**

Depart Motspur Park 4.30pm / Craven  
Cottage 5pm  
Season Ticket Holders / Fulham  
Members' Club: Adults **£10**, Juniors **£5**  
Non-Season Ticket Holders/Members:  
Adults **£15**, Juniors **£8**

**UEFA REGULATIONS**

Having progressed to the knockout stages of the UEFA Europa League the ticket and media requirements imposed upon us by UEFA have increased significantly. As a result, a number of seats will unfortunately have to be held back from sale.

Areas affected include several of the front rows of Riverside VL, WL & Z, plus the Johnny Haynes Stand front rows in EL & FL. In these areas Season Ticket Holders will not be able to purchase their own seats, but will have priority to book the best available alternative tickets. All supporters on the Home Cup Tie Scheme who are in the affected seats will be relocated to the best available seats.

Away seating will remain in Blocks H, HL, J, JL, K and KL, making the Putney End a home area for all UEFA Europa League games.



DATE	OPPOSITION	H/A	COMP	SCORE	ATT	STARTING XI											
<b>July 2009</b>																	
Wed 08	Gold Coast United	A	Friendly	L 2-1	10,336	Schwarzer	Stoor	Pantsil	Smalling	Kellio	Gera	<b>Murphy</b>	Andranik	Seol	Nevland	Zamora	
Sat 11	Melbourne Victory	A	Friendly	W 0-3	20,666	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Baird	Hughes	Kellio	Gera	Murphy	Andranik	Seol	<b>A. Johnson</b>	Zamora	
Wed 15	Perth Glory	A	Friendly	W 0-5	14,903	Schwarzer	Kelly	Smalling	Hughes	Kellio	Gera	Murphy	Baird	Seol	<b>A. Johnson</b>	Zamora	
Tue 21	Bournemouth	A	Friendly	D 0-0	3,030	Stockdale	Kelly	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	Murphy	Ethuh	Seol	A. Johnson	Nevland	
Sat 25	Peterborough United	A	Friendly	D 3-3	1,738	Stockdale	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	<b>Dempsey</b>	Murphy	Ethuh	Gera	Nevland	<b>Zamora</b>	
Thu 30	FK Vetra	A	Europa League Q	W 0-3	5,900	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	Baird	<b>Murphy</b>	Dempsey	A. Johnson	<b>Zamora</b>	
<b>August 2009</b>																	
Thu 06	FK Vetra (TV 4)	H	Europa League Q	W 3-0	15,016	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	<b>Ethuh</b>	Murphy	Dempsey	<b>A. Johnson</b>	Zamora	
Sat 15	Portsmouth	A	Premier League	W 0-1	17,501	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	Ethuh	Murphy	Dempsey	A. Johnson	Zamora	
Thu 20	Amkar Perm	H	Europa League Q	W 3-1	13,029	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	Ethuh	Murphy	<b>Dempsey</b>	<b>A. Johnson</b>	Zamora	
Sun 23	Chelsea (Sky)	H	Premier League	L 0-2	25,404	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	Ethuh	Murphy	Duff	Dempsey	Zamora	
Thu 27	Amkar Perm	A	Europa League Q	L 1-0	20,000	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Kelly	Gera	Ethuh	Baird	Rise	Duff	Nevland	
Sun 30	Aston Villa (Sky)	A	Premier League	L 2-0	32,917	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Dempsey	Ethuh	Greening	Duff	Nevland	Kamara	
<b>September 2009</b>																	
Sun 13	Everton (Sky)	H	Premier League	W 2-1	24,391	Stockdale	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	<b>Konchesky</b>	Duff	Ethuh	Murphy	Dempsey	Zamora	A. Johnson	
Thu 17	CSKA Sofia	A	Europa League	D 1-1	28,000	Stockdale	Pantsil	Baird	Smalling	Kelly	Davies	Greening	Rise	Gera	<b>Kamara</b>	Nevland	
Sun 20	Wolverhampton Wanderers	A	Premier League	L 2-1	27,670	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Dempsey	Ethuh	<b>Murphy</b>	Duff	Zamora	A. Johnson	
Wed 23	Manchester City	A	Carling Cup R3	L 2-1 aet	24,507	Stockdale	Stoor	Baird	Smalling	Kelly	Seol	Greening	Rise	<b>Gera</b>	Davies	E. Johnson	
Sat 26	Arsenal (ESPN)	H	Premier League	L 0-1	25,700	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Duff	Ethuh	Murphy	Dempsey	Zamora	A. Johnson	
<b>October 2009</b>																	
Thu 01	FC Basel	H	Europa League	W 1-0	16,300	Schwarzer	Kelly	Baird	Smalling	Konchesky	Rise	Greening	<b>Murphy</b>	Dempsey	Zamora	A. Johnson	
Sun 04	West Ham United	A	Premier League	D 2-2	32,612	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Dempsey	Diagaco	<b>Murphy</b>	<b>Gera</b>	Kamara	A. Johnson	
Mon 19	Hull City (ESPN)	H	Premier League	W 2-0	23,943	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Dempsey	Baird	<b>Murphy</b>	Duff	<b>Zamora</b>	<b>Kamara</b>	
Thu 22	AS Roma	H	Europa League	D 1-1	23,561	Schwarzer	Kelly	<b>Hangeland</b>	Hughes	Konchesky	Rise	Baird	Greening	Gera	Zamora	Kamara	
Sun 25	Manchester City	A	Premier League	D 2-2	44,906	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Kelly	<b>Dempsey</b>	Baird	Greening	<b>Duff</b>	Zamora	Kamara	
Sat 31	Liverpool	H	Premier League	W 3-1	25,700	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	<b>Dempsey</b>	Baird	Greening	<b>Duff</b>	Zamora	Kamara	
<b>November 2009</b>																	
Thu 05	AS Roma	A	Europa League	L 2-1	20,000	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	Ethuh	Greening	Rise	Dempsey	Kamara	
Sun 08	Wigan Athletic	A	Premier League	D 1-1	16,372	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	<b>Dempsey</b>	Baird	Greening	Duff	Zamora	Nevland	
Sat 21	Birmingham City	A	Premier League	L 1-0	23,459	Schwarzer	Kelly	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Davies	Baird	Greening	Gera	Zamora	Dempsey	
Wed 25	Blackburn Rovers	H	Premier League	W 3-0	21,414	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	<b>Dempsey</b>	Baird	Greening	Duff	Zamora	Nevland	
Sat 28	Bolton Wanderers	H	Premier League	D 1-1	23,554	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Gera	Baird	Greening	<b>Duff</b>	Dempsey	Nevland	
<b>December 2009</b>																	
Thu 03	CSKA Sofia	H	Europa League	W 1-0	23,604	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Smalling	Kelly	Davies	Baird	Murphy	Rise	<b>Gera</b>	Zamora	
Sun 06	Sunderland	H	Premier League	W 1-0	23,368	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Duff	Baird	Greening	Dempsey	Nevland	<b>Zamora</b>	
Sat 12	Burnley	A	Premier League	D 1-1	18,297	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Duff	Baird	Greening	Dempsey	Nevland	<b>Zamora</b>	
Wed 16	FC Basel	A	Europa League	W 2-3	20,063	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Smalling	Hughes	Kelly	Rise	Ethuh	Murphy	Greening	<b>Gera</b>	Zamora	
Sat 19	Manchester United	H	Premier League	W 3-0	25,700	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Duff	Baird	<b>Murphy</b>	Dempsey	Gera	<b>Zamora</b>	
Sat 26	Tottenham Hotspur	H	Premier League	D 0-0	25,579	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Hangeland	Hughes	Konchesky	Duff	Baird	Murphy	Dempsey	Gera	Zamora	
Mon 28	Chelsea	A	Premier League	L 2-1	41,805	Schwarzer	Pantsil	Smalling	Hughes	Konchesky	Duff	Baird	Murphy	Dempsey	Gera	Zamora	
<b>January 2010</b>																	
Sat 02	Swindon Town	H	FA Cup 3rd Round	3pm													
Tue 05	Stoke City	A	Premier League	7:45pm													
Sat 09	Portsmouth	H	Premier League	3pm													
Sat 16	Blackburn Rovers	A	Premier League	3pm													
Tue 26	Tottenham Hotspur	A	Premier League	8pm													
Sat 30	Aston Villa	H	Premier League	3pm													
<b>February 2010</b>																	
Sat 06	Bolton Wanderers	A	Premier League	3pm													
Tue 09	Burnley	H	Premier League	8pm													
Thu 18	Shakhtar Donetsk	H	Europa League	8:05pm													
Sun 21	Birmingham City	H	Premier League	3pm													
Thu 25	Shakhtar Donetsk	A	Europa League	6pm GMT													
Sun 28	Sunderland	A	Premier League	3pm													
<b>March 2010</b>																	
Sat 06	Stoke City	H	Premier League	3pm													
Sat 13	Manchester United	A	Premier League	3pm													
Sat 20	Manchester City	H	Premier League	3pm													
Sat 27	Hull City	A	Premier League	3pm													
<b>April 2010</b>																	
Fri 02	Wigan Athletic	H	Premier League	3pm													
Sun 11	Liverpool	A	Premier League	3pm													
Sat 17	Wolverhampton Wanderers	H	Premier League	3pm													
Sat 24	Everton	A	Premier League	3pm													
<b>May 2010</b>																	
Sat 01	West Ham United	H	Premier League	3pm													

**OTHER FA CUP THIRD ROUND FIXTURES** (All 3pm unless stated)

**TODAY**

- Accrington Stanley v Gillingham
- Aston Villa v Blackburn Rovers
- Blackpool v Ipswich Town
- Bolton Wanderers v Lincoln City
- Brentford v Doncaster Rovers
- Bristol City v Cardiff City (12.30pm)
- Everton v Carlisle United
- Huddersfield Town v West Bromwich Albion
- Leicester City v Swansea City
- MK Dons v Burnley
- Middlesbrough v Manchester City
- Millwall v Derby County
- Notttingham Forest v Birmingham City
- Plymouth Argyle v Newcastle United
- Portsmouth v Coventry City
- Preston North End v Colchester United

Reading v Liverpool (5.15pm)

Scunthorpe United v Barnsley

Sheffield Wed v Crystal Palace

Southampton v Luton Town

Stoke City v York City

Sunderland v Barrow AFC

Torquay United v Brighton & Hove Albion

Tottenham Hotspur v Peterborough United

Wigan Athletic v Hull City

**TOMORROW**

- Chelsea v Watford
- Manchester United v Leeds United (1pm)
- Notts County v Forest Green Rovers
- Sheffield United v QPR
- Tranmere Rovers v Wolverhampton Wanderers (6.15pm)
- West Ham United v Arsenal (4.15pm)



# BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE

## LEAGUE TABLE 2009-10 CORRECT TO 30.12.09

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	Top league scorers
Chelsea	20	9	1	0	27	6	5	2	3	16	10	29	45	Drabiza 14
Man Utd	19	7	1	1	19	8	6	0	4	21	10	22	40	Rooney 13
Arsenal	18	8	0	1	26	7	4	2	3	19	13	27	38	Fabregas 9
Tottenham	20	7	0	3	26	8	4	4	2	16	14	20	37	Defoe 14
Man City	19	6	3	0	22	13	3	5	2	16	14	11	35	Tavez 9
Aston Villa	20	6	2	2	17	7	4	3	3	12	11	11	35	Agbonlahor 8
Liverpool	20	6	2	2	26	11	4	1	5	11	14	12	33	Torres 12
Birmingham	20	5	3	2	8	5	4	2	4	12	13	2	32	Bowyer 5
<b>Fulham</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Zamora 6</b>
Sunderland	20	5	3	2	18	13	1	2	7	10	18	-3	23	Bent 13
Everton	19	3	5	2	14	15	2	2	5	12	17	-6	22	Saha 10
Stoke	19	4	2	3	11	10	1	4	5	4	13	-8	21	Beattie, Etherington, Kilson, Shawcross 2
Blackburn	20	4	4	2	13	11	1	2	7	7	24	-15	21	Dunn 5
Burnley	20	5	4	1	14	9	0	1	9	8	31	-18	20	Alexander, Fletcher 5
Wigan	18	3	3	3	10	13	2	1	6	11	26	-18	19	Rodallega 7
Wolverhampton	20	3	2	5	9	15	2	2	6	8	21	-19	19	Doyle 5
West Ham	20	3	3	4	18	20	1	3	6	10	17	-9	18	Cole 7
Bolton	18	2	4	4	16	21	2	2	4	10	15	-10	18	Klasnic 6
Hull	20	4	3	3	13	16	0	3	7	7	26	-22	18	Hunt 5
Portsmouth	19	3	0	6	12	12	1	2	7	5	16	-11	14	Dindane 4

## FULHAM FOOTBALL CLUB APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS, CORRECT TO 29.12.09

	League		Cups		Europa		Total		Fulham Career	
	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G	A	G
Joe Anderson	-	-	0+1	-	-	-	0+1	-	0+1	-
Andranik	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1+1	-
Chris Baird	12+2	-	1	-	6+2	-	18+4	-	42+13	-
Matthew Briggs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0+1	-
Wayne Brown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1+1	-
Simon Davies	1+4	-	1	-	2	-	4+4	-	9+7	10
Clint Dempsey	19	5	-	-	5+2	1	23+2	6	91+28	21
Kagiso Dikgacoi	1+3	-	0+1	-	-	-	1+3	-	1+4	-
Damien Duff	16+1	4	-	-	1+4	-	16+5	3	17+5	4
David Elm	-	-	0+1	-	-	-	0+1	-	0+1	-
Dickson Etuhu	5+5	-	-	-	5	1	10+5	1	33+7	2
Zoltan Gera	8+7	2	1	1	9	2	17+7	5	41+21	8
Jonathan Greening	9+4	-	1	-	5	-	15+3	-	15+4	-
Brede Hangeland	18	-	-	-	7	1	24	1	83	2
Aaron Hughes	19	-	-	-	7+1	-	25+1	-	101+2	-
Andrew Johnson	5+1	-	-	-	4	3	9+1	3	44+2	13
Eddie Johnson	0+2	-	1	-	0+1	-	1+3	-	5+5	-
Toni Kallio	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4+1	-
Diomansy Kamara	5+3	1	-	-	3+1	2	8+4	3	29+27	13
Stephen Kelly	2	-	1	-	6+1	-	9+1	-	9+1	-
Seol Ki-Hyeon	0+2	-	1	-	0+2	1	1+4	1	10+16	2
Paul Konchesky	18	1	-	-	6	-	23	1	102	2
Rob Milsom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0+2	-
Danny Murphy	10	3	-	-	6	2	15	4	88+7	18
Erik Nevland	6+5	2	-	-	2+4	-	8+8	2	16+35	8
John Pantsil	18	-	-	-	8+1	-	25+1	-	64+7	-
Bjorn Helge Rise	0+2	-	1	-	7+2	-	8+4	-	8+4	-
Mark Schwarzer	18	-	-	-	9	-	26	-	71	-
Chris Smalling	1	-	1	-	4	-	6	-	8+1	-
David Stockdale	1	-	1	-	1	-	3	-	3	-
Fredrik Stoor	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	6+2	-
Bobby Zamora	16	6	-	-	7+1	4	22+1	9	57+4	14
Pascal Zuberbühler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-

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Purple - First sub, Green - Second sub, Blue - Third sub, Yellow card, Red card

### SUBSTITUTES UNUSED SUBSTITUTES

Five subs made	
Nevland, E. Johnson plus six others	
Nevland, Andranik, plus seven others	
Eight subs made	
Six subs made	
Nevland, Seol, Rise	Stockdale, Kelly, Kamara, E. Johnson
Seol, Rise	Stockdale, Baird, Seol, Nevland
Seol, Nevland	Zuberbühler, Kelly, Baird, Rise, Kamara
Nevland, Duff, Baird	Stockdale, Kelly, Rise, E. Johnson
Kamara, Baird, Nevland	Zuberbühler, Kelly, Rise, Seol
Kamara, Seol	Stockdale, Anderson, Smalling, Saunders, E. Johnson
E. Johnson	Zuberbühler, Kelly, Smalling, Baird, Rise, Gera
Kamara	Zuberbühler, Baird, Greening, Gera, Nevland
Kamara	Zuberbühler, Anderson, Smith, Watts, Marsh-Brown, Saunders, Uwezu
Seol, Saunders, Kamara	Zuberbühler, Smalling, Baird, Gera
Nevland, E. Johnson, Anderson	Zuberbühler, Smith, Watts, Saunders
Seol	Zuberbühler, Baird, Smalling, Rise, Kamara
Seol	Hughes, Pantsil, Anderson, Gera, Saunders, Nevland, Kamara
Seol, E. Johnson, Rise	Zuberbühler, Kelly, Greening, Nevland
Smalling, Seol, Nevland	Zuberbühler, Kelly, Smalling, Rise
Nevland, Nevland, Duff	Stockdale, Smalling, Anderson, Dempsey
Seol	Zuberbühler, Smalling, Gera, Rise, Nevland, E. Johnson
Nevland, Gera, Etuhu	Zuberbühler, Smalling, Kelly, Rise
Seol, Kamara, Baird	Stockdale, Smalling, Anderson, Davies
Seol, Gera	Zuberbühler, Smalling, Kelly, Rise, Dikgacoi
Seol, Seol	Zuberbühler, Pantsil, Smalling, Rise, Johnson
Seol, Seol, Davies	Zuberbühler, Smalling, Seol, Dikgacoi
Seol, Dikgacoi	Stockdale, Smalling, Seol, Rise, E. Johnson
Seol, Nevland, Duff	Stockdale, Briggs, Saunders, Uwezu
Seol, Duff	Zuberbühler, Smalling, Murphy, Rise, Seol
Seol	Stockdale, Smalling, Murphy, Dikgacoi, Rise, Elm
Seol, Duff	Stockdale, Briggs, Hangeland, Saunders, Uwezu
Seol, Nevland	Zuberbühler, Etuhu, Rise, Smalling
Seol, E. Johnson, Rise	Stockdale, Smalling, Kallio, Etuhu, Greening, A. Johnson, Nevland
Seol, E. Johnson, Rise	Zuberbühler, Kallio, Greening, Nevland

### UEFA EUROPA LEAGUE GROUP E TABLE

Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	PLs
AS Roma	6	4	1	1	10	5	13
Fulham FC	6	3	2	1	8	6	11
FC Basel 1893	6	3	0	3	10	7	9
PFC CSKA Sofia	6	0	1	5	2	12	1



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VERSUS

**MATCH STATS - FULHAM**

	On	Off
Sub 1:		
Sub 2:		
Sub 3:		
Yellow		
Red		
Scorers		

**MATCH STATS - SWINDON TOWN**

	On	Off
Sub 1:		
Sub 2:		
Sub 3:		
Yellow		
Red		
Scorers		

**FULHAM FC  
MANAGER: ROY HODGSON**

	1	Mark Schwarzer
	2	Stephen Kelly
	3	Paul Konchesky
	4	John Pantsil
	5	Brede Hangeland
	6	Chris Baird
	7	Seol Ki-Hyeon
	8	Andrew Johnson
	10	Erik Nevland
	11	Zoltan Gera
	12	David Stockdale
	13	Danny Murphy
	14	Andranik
	15	Diomansy Kamara
	16	Damien Duff
	17	Bjørn Helge Riise
	18	Aaron Hughes
	19	Pascal Zuberbühler
	20	Dickson Etuhu
	21	Eddie Johnson
	22	Fredrik Stoor
	23	Clint Dempsey
	25	Bobby Zamora
	26	Chris Smalling
	27	Jonathan Greening
	29	Simon Davies
	33	Toni Kallio
	34	Kagisho Dikgacoi
	35	David Elm

**SWINDON TOWN  
MANAGER: DANNY WILSON**

	1	David Lucas
	2	Scott Cuthbert
	3	Alan Sheehan
	4	Jonathan Douglas
	6	Gordon Greer
	7	Jon-Paul McGovern
	8	Craig Easton
	9	Ben Hutchinson
	10	Michael Timlin
	12	Phil Smith
	15	Kevin Amankwaah
	16	Hasney Aljofree
	17	Callum Kennedy
	18	Alan O'Brien
	19	Lescinel Jean-Francois
	20	Billy Paynter
	21	Lee Peacock
	22	Lloyd Macklin
	23	Nathan Thompson
	24	Daniel Ward
	25	Mark Marshall
	26	Jakub Jesionkowski
	27	Kasali Casal
	28	Mark Scott
	29	Kurt Hammonds
	30	Simon Ferry
	31	Alex Revell
	32	Charlie Austin
	33	Alex Henshall
	34	Matthew Barnes

**MATCH RESULT**

HT score: \_\_\_\_\_

FT score: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MATCH OFFICIALS**

Referee: Mr. A. Taylor

Assistant Referee: Mr. T. Massey

Assistant Referee: Mr. M. McLaughlin

Fourth Official: Mr. O. Langford

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