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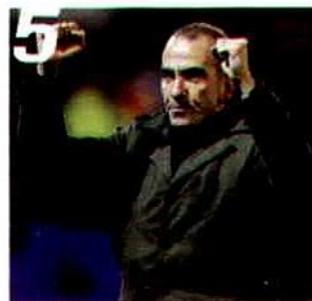
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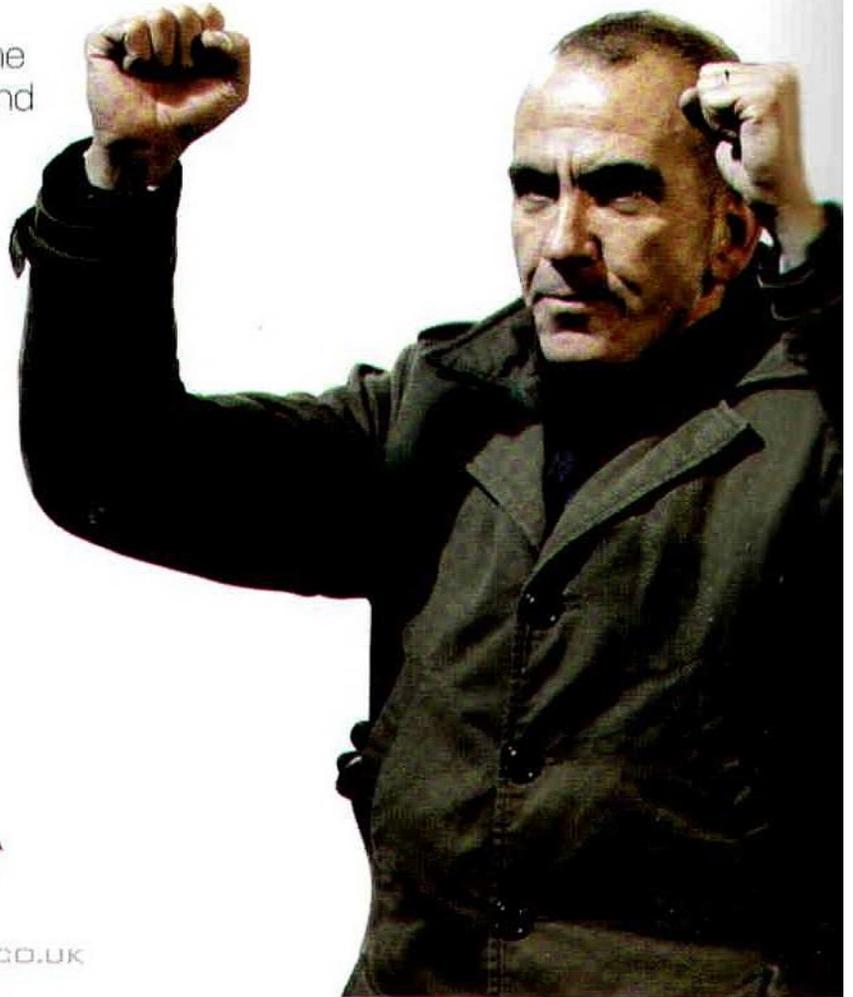
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# *This period is a big opportunity for us to do something special.*

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### On Friday night football...

I am happy to be playing tonight. It is a chance to play in a good atmosphere and it gives the players extra time to recover for Leyton Orient on Boxing Day. We can have a warm down tomorrow and then get back to training on Sunday. It is a busy schedule of games but this period is a big opportunity for us to do something special.

### On the promotion push...

**THERE** is no team at the moment, Bournemouth aside, that are in a very good moment. Coventry have done well over recent weeks but the league is very tight. We want to stay as close as we can and if we can win this evening, then we can look forward to the second half of the season in a very good position. At worst we will be in the top ten on Saturday night and that's fantastic given what has happened here so far this season. We have had the embargo, injuries and more to work through. Every time we can improve and that is the target.

### On tonight's visitors...



I am very happy to be playing Tranmere this evening because they are a team who have had a fantastic first half of the season. We know that they are a very solid side but they haven't scored as many goals recently. They are missing a few players and have struggled a little bit, but they have a fantastic defensive record. They are at the top of the league and a win would put us in a very good position going into Christmas. Our last few results at home haven't been as good as we would have liked so victory tonight is the target.

### On Christmas fixtures...

**WE** have a busy period of games and it is important that the players look after themselves and behave in the right way. We have a very professional attitude at this club and the players must keep their focus. I have spoken to them about the Christmas period and I am sure they will do the right things. Our next game after tonight is on Boxing Day and then we go to Colchester next Saturday. We have a big squad of players here and it's

good to have Alan Navarro and Tommy Miller back with us going into these games.

### Festive message...

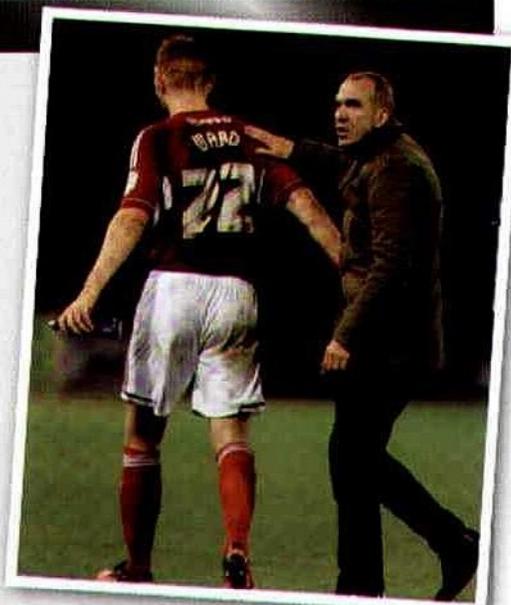
**TONIGHT** is our last match before Christmas Day and I would like to wish all of our amazing supporters a very a happy Christmas. There have been many fantastic memories this year and I look forward to seeing you all back for the Portsmouth game on New Year's Day. We are in a fantastic position at the moment and can all look forward to 2013.

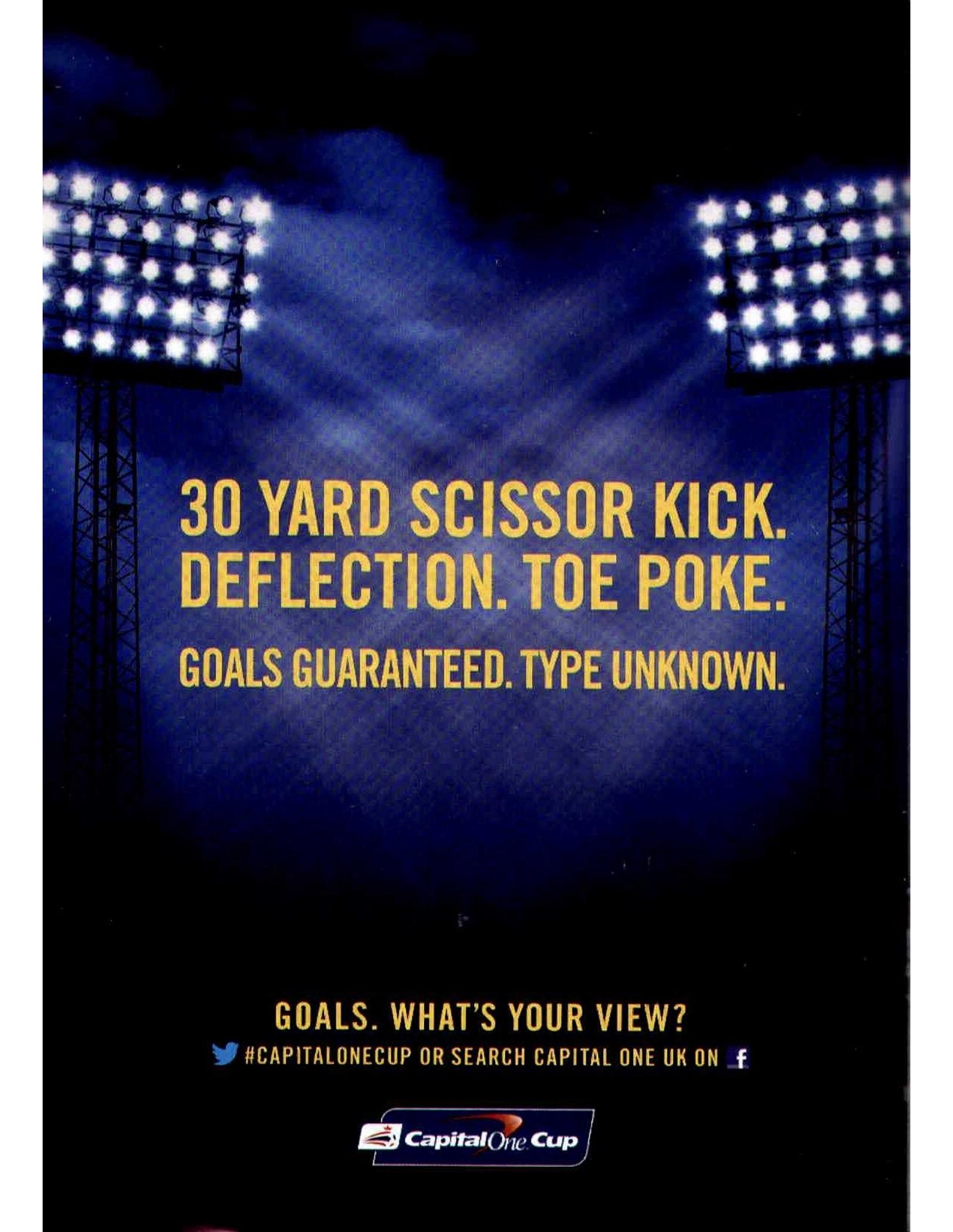
### In reflection...



**IN** the first half we were excellent and we could have scored more than two goals. We dominated clearly and it was good to win because we have dominated other games and only took one point. Oldham had very good, sharp players up front,

but we defended well. We have Tranmere next and I'm happy that we will play the leaders. Before I was worried, now I'm happy. Paolo Di Canio is insurance that players will be professional. I drive people crazy to do that, but it will always happen. It was great to send our fans home happy too, not just with the goals and the points but also with the professional performance. 300 fans came a long way from home to come and support us and they were amazing again. The Oldham match came at a difficult time of year with people spending money on gifts for Christmas.



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# Alan McCormack...

**Tonight** we're back at The County Ground for the visit of Tranmere Rovers and there's been a great atmosphere at the club building up to this game.

**LAST** weekend we went up to Oldham Athletic and came away with a valuable three points. We went into the game with a lot of desire and concentration. We knew it would be a tough place to go, especially with the conditions the week before, but we pressed them right from the off and worked really hard throughout the 97 minutes. Oldham went into the fixture on the back of a decent run of form and we stopped them from playing as they would have liked to. When their 'keeper went off towards the end it became one way traffic and perhaps we could have made more of that advantage. We bombarded their goal and the gaffer had a few words with us afterwards to say we should have scored more. Hopefully we have kept a few goals in reserve for tonight.

If we are going to achieve success this season then goals will have to keep coming from across the team and it's up to everyone to play their part to help the team out. To that end it was good to see Raffa come up with a couple of goals at Oldham and he's doing well on that front again.

The Christmas period will be crucial for us. This season has been a lot tougher than last, but like last year we are well-placed and not making too many waves. That's how we like it and if we can keep picking up valuable wins going into 2013 then we will be in a nice position for the final few months of the campaign.

Tonight we host the league leaders and it's a great challenge. We have a game plan and as

always the preparation has been very thorough. Training has been good and as ever the manager has gone into great detail about the opposition and hopefully we can get another win before we get to Christmas. It's a Friday night fixture and I am used to these as it's something that happened quite a lot during my time at Southend. Hopefully we can get a big crowd to cheer us on and there is always a special atmosphere for matches under lights here at The County Ground.

With this being the final home game before the New Year, I'd like to wish all Swindon Town fans a very happy Christmas. Your support has been tremendous throughout 2012 and hopefully we can go into Christmas Day with another three points to add to the tally. Keep the support loud and get right behind the lads once again.



**Double strike:** Raffaele De Vita

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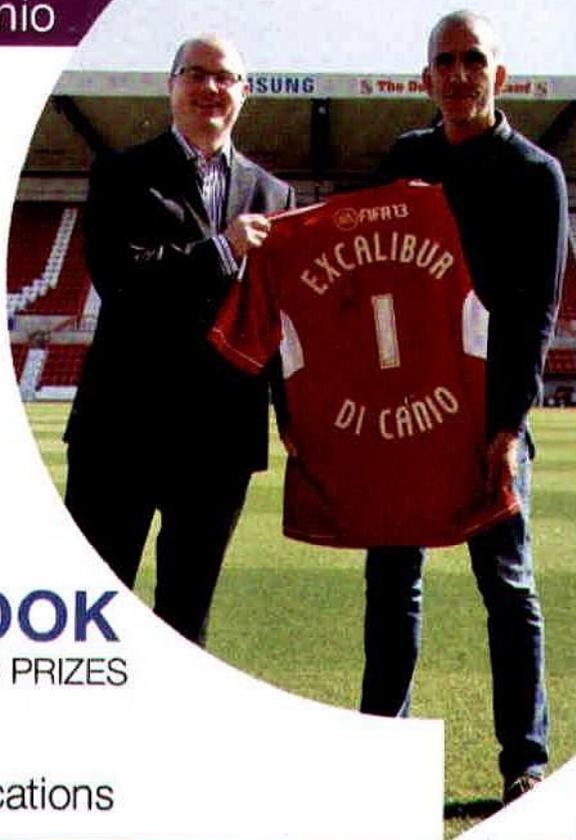
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## Portsmouth kick-off

A reminder that the next home fixture against Portsmouth will kick-off at 2pm.

The earlier start will see all hospitality activity begin one hour earlier. Doors for all suites will open at 11am so please set your alarms and make sure you get out of bed in time after your New Year's Eve celebrations! The matchday tour will still take place and will depart at 11.15am.

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# Hospitality has been a huge success in 2012 and we now look to 2013...

## Thank You!

WITH this being the final home game of 2012, the club would like to take this opportunity to thank all sponsors, suppliers, staff and supporters who have helped make the year such an enjoyable one across the hospitality floor.

Marketing & Promotions Executive, Adam Wainwright, commented: "Commercially this year has been a phenomenal success and we have many people to thank for that.

"Sponsorships and Mascot packages have been more popular than ever, as shown by the amount of sold-out games we have had in these categories. Hospitality across the board has been a huge success too, with season-long memberships at a record high. I would like to personally thank every season-long member of each suite as well as all those who support us by booking hospitality with STFC game by game. We try and make each experience a memorable one and it's safe to say when

any hospitality guest visits STFC, every member of staff tries to go the extra mile to make the day as special as possible.

"All the full, part-time and voluntary staff have a real part to play and a big thank you to everyone who makes every matchday so special. From cake-making, mascot hosts right through to tour guides - we have a team behind the scenes that we are very proud of."

Wainwright added: "On behalf of all staff at Swindon Town FC, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and we look forward to welcoming you all for the visit of Portsmouth on Tuesday 1st January 2013."



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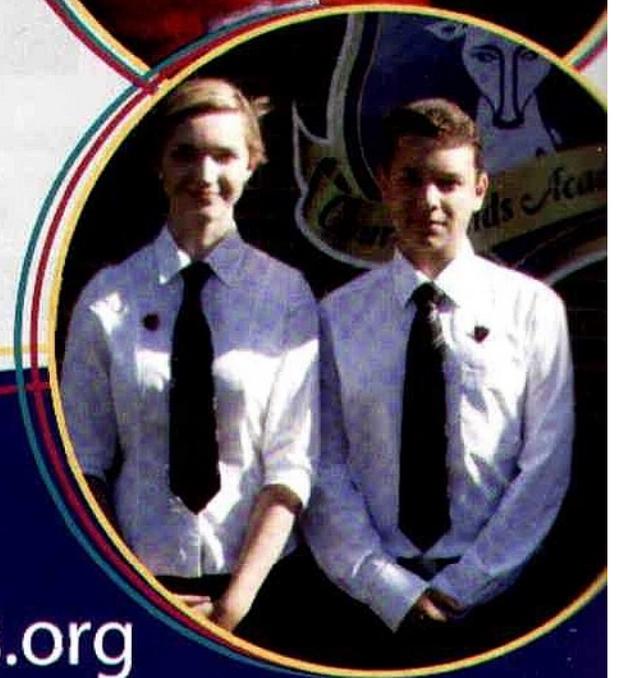
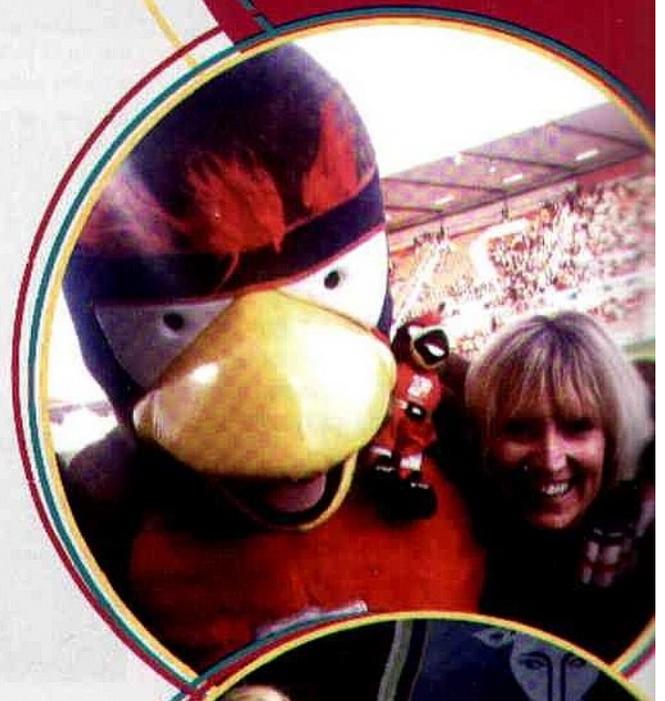
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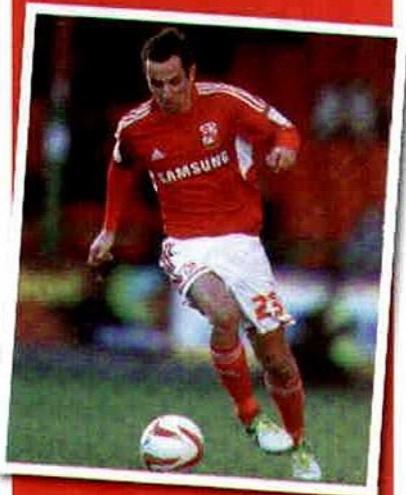
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The STFC Supporters Club were Match Sponsors at our last home fixture...



## Man of the Match vs Doncaster Rovers



### Raffaele De Vita

THE popular Italian was named Man of the Match against Doncaster Rovers with an all-action display against the Yorkshire outfit. The former Livingston striker was involved heavily during the opening exchanges and created a number of openings on the day. De Vita has made 18 appearances for the Robins this term and has scored four goals.



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**Good** evening from The County Ground for this our last home fixture in 2012 and no more fitting opposition than Ronnie Moore's table topping Tranmere Rovers to mark the occasion.

**WE** are delighted that Tranmere agreed to switch the fixture to a Friday evening and thank them for that. A floodlit game adds to the spirit of the occasion and we have used best endeavours to make it a fully festive event. I am sure not everyone will be happy with a Friday night fixture of course. I recall very early on in my association with STFC, suggesting some Friday night football and was politely reminded by a fan, that the whole reason he purchased a Season Ticket was so he could attend football on a Saturday afternoon, to avoid going shopping with his wife! Sorry but I hope you have a happy shopping day tomorrow!

So what has been happening at SN1 since we were last in communication? Away from football, the conversations with the Swindon Borough Council remain ongoing as we plan the way ahead for the stadium development. I know some fans get frustrated that cranes are not already hovering over The County Ground pulling down the Town End. I can assure you that good progress is being made and that both parties are in regular dialogue, as every option available to the club is explored. It is not the work of a moment because in order to ensure the best possible outcome, every option has to be carefully considered and this takes time. As we move into the spring of 2013, I am hopeful there will be news.

Last Saturday, Paolo and his warriors ventured north to the boundaries of the Arctic! Well not quite but we did go to Oldham's Boundary Park to do battle with

the Latics, who were running into a bit of form. Two goal De Vita ensured that they were stopped in their tracks as we secured all three points to remain in contention for the promotion spots.

Sunday afternoon saw 22 hopefuls demonstrating their footballing skills on The County Ground turf in the semi-final of the Samsung Win A Pro Contract competition. Paolo Di Canio and Russell Slade were the two judges and they were both in harmony, selecting the 11 players who will go into the final on January 16th at The Matchroom Stadium.

Monday night was Carol night at Christ Church with readings by John Bostock, Tom Otrebski and Jon Holloway. Well done lads!

Wednesday saw 160 of Swindon's senior citizens enjoying a Christmas lunch in the Legends Lounge. This is always a happy occasion with a visit by Santa Claus, a game of bingo and the big Xmas raffle, with prizes for all so kindly donated by the likes of Chris 'Programmes' Kirkland and the delightful Maureen Kirkland. So popular is this event, we already have bookings for next year.

So all that remains for me to do is wish you all a very Happy Christmas and look forward to welcoming you back in 2013 when we entertain Portsmouth on January 1st. Remember to set your alarm clocks because it is a 2pm kick-off.

Season's Greetings.  
**Nicholas Watkins.**




**Pictured:** Snow covered seats at The CG

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# Tranmere Rovers

The League One leaders come to Town looking to secure their place at the top of the division as the fixture schedule heads into 2013. Here is a look at Ronnie Moore's men...

## Last five...



## Formation...

4-4-2



## The gaffer...

**RONNIE** Moore returned to Prenton Park for a second spell in charge in March 2012. The 59-year old began his managerial career with Southport back in 1996 and has since had spells with Oldham Athletic as well as two spells at Rotherham United. He was manager of Tranmere from 2006 until 2009 but was controversially shown the door after narrowly missing out on the end of season play-offs.

## Andy Robinson



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**AT** 33, Robinson is now in his third spell with the club and he is currently captain with James Wallace injured. He spent an impressive spell away from Prenton Park at Swansea City and also had two years with Leeds.

## Liam Palmer



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## Zoumana Bakayogo



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**PARIS**-born Bakayogo initially joined on a short-term contract in September 2009 but his performances have seen him now tied down to the Prenton Park club on a longer deal. Previously with Millwall and Brighton.

## Ian Goodison



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**THE** Jamaican signed for Rovers in February 2004 and was an instant success at the heart of the defence. He has now played more than 350 times and has been named supporters' Player of the Season three times.

## Ash Taylor



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## Owain Fon Williams



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**THE** 25-year old Welshman signed in the summer of 2011 and has been a regular for the club since then. He has previous spells with Stockport County and Crewe Alexandra to his name.

## Form guide...

**SINCE** Moore's return to Prenton Park, Tranmere have won 20 games, drawn 11 and lost just eight times. They have enjoyed a superb first half of the 2012/13 campaign and went unbeaten in League One up until the game at AFC Bournemouth. Their last home game was a 2-2 draw against Portsmouth with goals from Ash Taylor and Michael O'Halloran securing a point against Guy Whittingham's side.

**Last match stats...**

● Sheffield United 0 ● Tranmere Rovers 0



**Jake Cassidy**



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**THE** 19-year old returned to Prenton Park from Wolves on a six-month loan deal after spending the seven weeks of last season with the club. He has continued his goalscoring form and has 11 to his name so far.

**Cole Stockton**



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**STOCKTON** is a first year professional who has come through the youth system at Prenton Park. The striker was the leading scorer for both the reserves and youth team last season and made his senior debut at home to Rochdale.

**Danny Harrison**



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**THE** midfielder came up through the youth ranks but after making over 100 league appearances, he left for Rotherham United in 2007. He returned in the summer on a one-year deal.

**Adam McGurk**



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**McGURK** is now in his third season at Prenton Park after joining in August 2010. The versatile 23-year old signed for Rovers after he impressed while on trial and he has scored two goals this term to help Rovers to the top of L1.

**Danny Holmes**



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**THE** defender is a product of the youth set-up at Prenton Park and returned to the club after a spell gaining experience in the Welsh Premier League. The 25-year old has scored twice so far this season.

**PALMER** arrived on a six-month loan deal from Sheffield Wednesday in July. After progressing through the Wednesday Academy, he made his debut aged 18 and has made 31 first team appearances.

A versatile centreback, Taylor broke into the first team in 2009/10 season. He has since been a regular in the side and his performances earned him his first Wales Under-21 cap in the 2011/12 season.

**head 2 head...**

	TRANMERE	DRAWS	SWINDON
League	19	15	24
League Cup	1	1	0
Cup	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>25</b>

**Off the bench...**

**BACK** up in the goalkeeping department is provided by 24-year old Jason Mooney. The tall stopper joined the club after a successful trial period and he spent the whole of 2011/12 along the A420 on loan at Oxford City. Defender Michael Kay played for Sunderland prior to a permanent move to Prenton Park in the summer of 2011 whilst left-back Paul Black is another option at the back.

**On the match...**

**TONIGHT'S** encounter is just one of only two home fixtures for the Robins in December. After a 2-0 win on the road at Oldham Athletic last weekend, Paolo Di Canio will be looking for his side to make it back to back wins – albeit against the League One leaders. Tranmere arrive in Wiltshire on the back of a 0-0 draw at Sheffield United last weekend and will hope to continue their unbeaten run.



## In The Spotlight...

**Tranmere** Rovers have enjoyed an impressive first half of the season and arrive in Town looking to add to their points tally. Here's a closer look at some of the men that matter...

### Defender - Ian Goodison

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2012/13 Apps: 5



**THE** big defender first arrived at Prenton Park in February 2004 under Brian Little and was an instant success at the heart of the Tranmere backline. The former Jamaican international has since played more than 350 times for the club has been named supporters' Player of the Season three times. He has also won the North-West League One Footballer

of the Year award on a hat-trick of occasions. He has more than 100 international caps to his name, the most of any Jamaican player, and he remains a firm fans' favourite. Strong in the air and hard in the tackle, the veteran - who featured for his country at the 1998 World Cup - has scored 14 goals for Rovers. He adds tremendous experience to the side.

### Forward - Jake Cassidy

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2012/13 Apps: 24

**THE** 19-year old has been a big hit since returning to Prenton Park and is one of the division's in-form marksmen. The frontman began his career with Welsh Alliance club Llandudno Junction at 16, where he scored an impressive 28 goals in 32 games during the 2009/10 season. He then moved to Welsh Premier League side Airbus UK Broughton but signed for then-Premier League

side Wolves for an undisclosed fee after a trial. He was allowed out on loan in January and scored five goals in 12 league appearances for Rovers last season. He returned to Tranmere for a second loan spell in August and scored a hat-trick in the win over Colchester in September. The Welshman has also represented his country and Under-19 and Under-21 level.



### Midfielder - Andy Robinson

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2012/13 Apps: 21



**THE** midfielder is now in his third spell at Prenton Park after he began his professional career at the club in 2002. Robinson, who can play in midfield or attack, moved to Swansea City at the age of 24 and went on to make more than 200 appearances for the South Wales side, scoring 54 times. After helping Swansea to promotion to the Championship in

2007/08, he joined Leeds United where he went on to make 50 appearances. He joined Rovers on loan at the end of the 2009/10 season, playing five times and scoring in the win against Millwall before returning on a short-term deal in January 2011. His contract was extended later that year and again in the summer of 2012 by manager Ronnie Moore.

# Club Connections...

**Former** Swindon Town and Tranmere Rovers striker Wayne Allison will be back at The County Ground as a guest of STFC for tonight's League One encounter...

## Steve Peplow...

**THE** winger progressed through the youth ranks at Liverpool before securing a loan move to Swindon. Signing permanently in 1971, Peplow made over 40 appearances for the Town, notching 13 goals. After a spell with Nottingham Forest, Peplow enjoyed a successful spell with Tranmere, making 248 appearances and scoring 44 goals.

## Marlon Broomes...

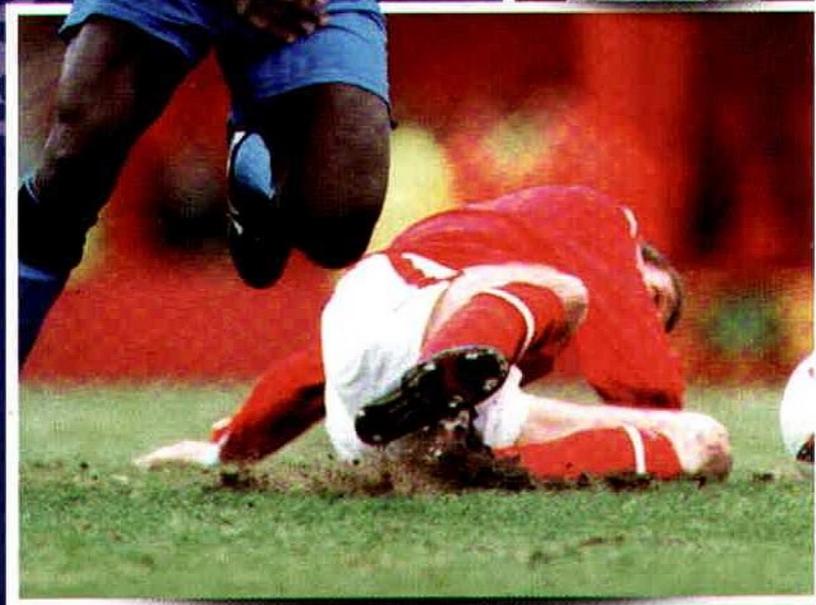
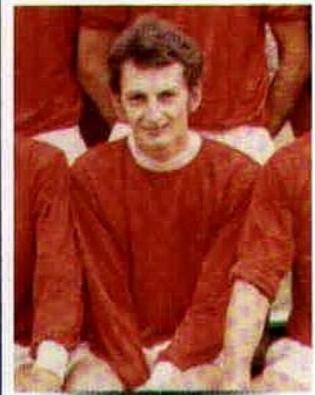
**CENTRE**-half Broomes joined Swindon on loan from Blackburn in January 1997 and played 12 games in a temporary spell that lasted until March, scoring once. After his return to Ewood Park, Broomes played for a host of different clubs before eventually joining Tranmere in 2009. In two years on the Wirral, the defender made over 30 appearances.

## Wayne Allison...

**THE** 'Chief' joined Town from local rivals Bristol City in the summer of 1995 and in his first season, Allison plundered 17 goals as Town were crowned Division Two champions under Steve McMahon. He would go on to score 36 goals before moving to Huddersfield in November 1997. Two years later he made the switch to Tranmere where he made over 100 appearances in a three year stay at Prenton Park.

## Scott Endersby...

**STARTED** out in non-league football before securing a move to Tranmere in 1981. In two years on Merseyside, the goalkeeper made 79 appearances before moving to Town on a free transfer in May 1983. Endersby was an instant hit with the Town fans and made a century of appearances before departing for Carlisle in January 1986 after losing his place to Kenny Allen.



**Pictured top to bottom:**  
Steve Peplow, Marlon Broomes, Wayne Allison, Scott Endersby.

**"Allison** plundered 17 goals as Town were crowned Division Two champions under Steve McMahon."



# Matching Up...

**John** Bostock spent a loan spell with Sheffield Wednesday before arriving at Swindon and the midfielder could face an on-loan Owl this evening ...



## Career so far...

**CAME** through the youth system at Crystal Palace and made his professional debut at the age of 15. He was snapped up by Tottenham Hotspur in 2008 and has had loan spells at a number of clubs before signing up for a second loan spell at SN1 on transfer deadline day.



## 2011/12 Season...

**PLAYED** four times on loan at Sheffield Wednesday before joining the Town's promotion charge in the latter part of the season. He made his Swindon bow at Wembley in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final defeat to Chesterfield.



## Did you know...

**BOSTOCK** holds the record as the youngest player to make a competitive appearance for Spurs when he came on in a UEFA Cup tie against Dinamo Zagreb at White Hart Lane.



## 2012/13 Season...

**THE** midfielder has made eight appearances for Town this term and has started three of Swindon's last five games. He completed his first 90 minutes of the season against Doncaster Rovers in the recent home draw.



## Career so far...

**THE** 21-year old is a product of the Sheffield Wednesday Academy and made his first team debut at the age of 18 in a League Cup tie against Bury. He has gone on to make over 30 appearances for the Owls before penning a short-term loan deal with Ronnie Moore's side.

## 2011/12 Season...

**THE** midfielder made 20 appearances as Sheffield Wednesday sealed a return to English football's second tier, finishing second in League One. He notched his first senior goal in a 3-1 win over MK Dons at Hillsborough.

## Did you know...

**PALMER** has so far made a total of eight appearances for the Scotland Under-21 national side and has also represented the Under-19s.

## 2012/13 Season...

**SINCE** arriving on a loan deal at Prenton Park, the midfielder has made 22 appearances, helping Tranmere to the top of the League One table. He is gaining valuable experience with Rovers in the top spots.

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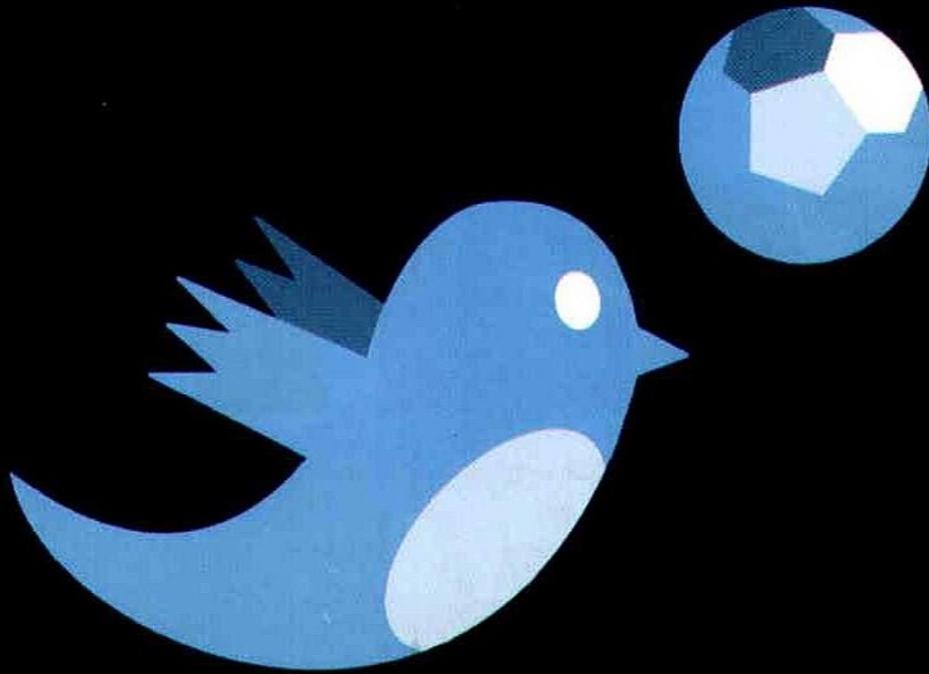
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# Frankly Ferry

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**Now we can go into the Christmas and New Year period and try to push up the league.**

**SINCE** making the 368 mile drive down from Glasgow to Swindon on Wednesday 26th August 2009, Simon Ferry has experienced the highs and lows of English football.

The Scot was an integral part of the Town side in his debut season in Wiltshire and ended the campaign with 46 appearances to his name, which culminated in a Wembley appearances against Millwall. The 2010/11 campaign was a disappointing one for Swindon players and fans alike, but it proved even tougher one for the midfielder, who was in and out of a struggling side and often cut a forlorn figure on the sidelines.

Fast forward two seasons and the midfielder has a League Two winners' medal on the mantelpiece and has already made one more appearance than the 25 he managed during that ill-fated relegation campaign. Say it quietly, but he's found his shooting boots too.

COYR sat down with the likeable midfielder earlier in the week and gauged his views on the highs and lows of his time at

The County Ground so far and why is a now much happier soul on and off the pitch.

***We're already at the half-way stage of the season. How would you assess the season so far from a team perspective?***

In terms of our performances I think we have done well. We may not have got the results we wanted but aside from Preston away, I don't think there has been a game that we have really deserved to lose. It's all about results and we have probably been a bit inconsistent. With the players we have here then we should probably expect a bit more. The performances haven't been that bad overall, it's the results, but now we can go into the Christmas and New Year period and try and kick on to push up the league.

***And what of your own performances - are you happy with how you have played so far or is there more to come?***

I think I have done okay. There is a lot of competition in the midfield and those positions have been rotated a little bit. I do my best



every time I play and always go out and give 100% for the team.

***You have added a few goals to your game this season and the two you have scored have been important ones...***

Hopefully I can get to five! We have a lot of quality out in the wide areas and the deliveries have been good. I should be getting more goals and that's something I have been aware of for a while but I've got two so far and still have half the season to go. I'd like to go and get a few more.

***Why do you think scoring goals has been an issue for you in the past?***

To be honest it's probably been confidence. When I get into the box I'm probably not as confident as I should be but with two this season hopefully that'll boost it a bit.

***The one at Walsall was a cracker though...***

It just dropped and I hit it! The one at Shrewsbury Town was quite similar too and hopefully if I can keep making runs into the box the goals will come for me.

***Your first Swindon Town goal came against tonight's opponents Tranmere Rovers. It was your first senior goal as well. Do you remember much of it?***

I think it was from a short corner. I got the ball back and hit it with my left foot and it went in. Their goalie must have been having one that day because it was an absolute daisy cutter into the corner!

***How would you sum up your mood at the moment?***

I try to be upbeat all the time. I realise that I am in a privileged position to be playing professional football and I want to make the most of it. I want to enjoy every day because I know it could be over quite quickly. I make sure I come into training each day and give my best.

***In January you will turn 25. Where did you think you would be at that age when you were growing up?!***

I am definitely happy with where I am. There could be a lot worse things that I could be doing and there are a lot better players than me that aren't even in the game. I have been at a really good club for four years now and I am really enjoying how things are going. I am playing at a decent level and I want to keep that going.





**We keep in touch and I message him on Twitter every now and again.**

*It is almost four years since you first arrived in these parts...*

It seems like a lifetime ago now that I was driving down from Glasgow with Hutch. I have enjoyed every minute of my time here, aside from being relegated, and there have been some good times. We got to the play-off final in my first year and then won League Two last season. Hopefully this year can be another memorable one.

*You mentioned Ben Hutchinson there, who signed for Swindon on loan at the same time as you. Do you still keep in touch with him?*

Yeah, we keep in touch and I message him on Twitter every now and again. He's with Mansfield now and they beat Lincoln the other night and now have Liverpool to look forward to in the next round of the cup. I hope he does well.

*Your Swindon debut came in August 2009 against Southend. How many of the side that day are still with the club do you think?*

None! We did really well that season but lost quite a lot of players at the end of it. When we got relegated there was a massive turnover and a lot of the lads left. The gaffer at the time brought in a lot of new players but that's what happens in football isn't it?

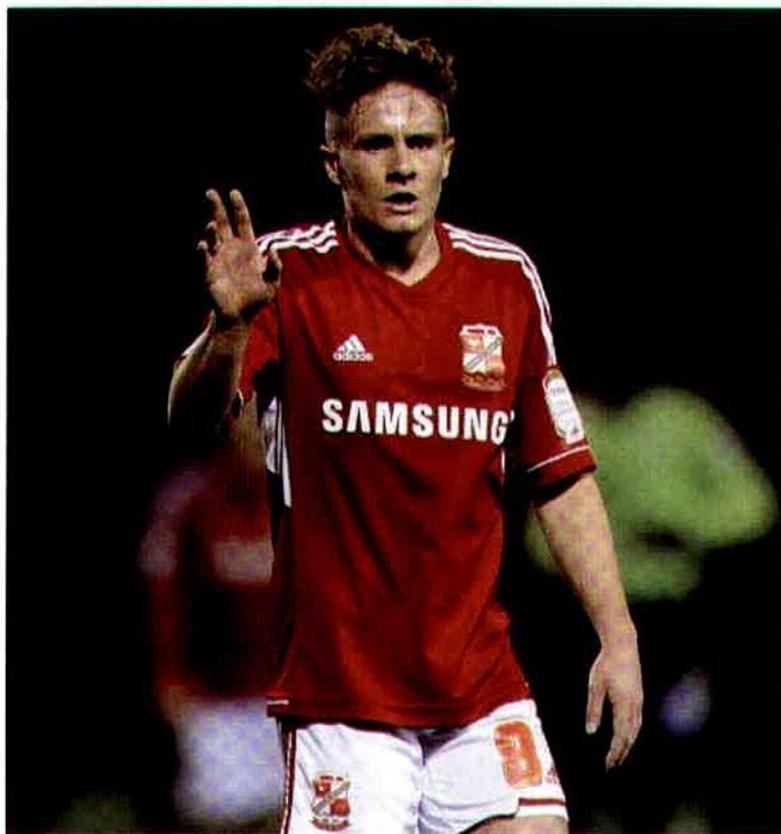
*It turned out to be a memorable season, but how far could that team have gone do you think had promotion been achieved?*

Put it this way I don't think Millwall were that much better than us and they have gone on to establish

themselves in the Championship. I don't see why, if we had kept a few of the lads we had, then we could have done that.

*You have seen the highs and lows at Swindon having experienced promotion and relegation with the club. What are the biggest lessons you have learned since being here?*

Just to work hard because you can never take things for granted. There were boys playing that were in the first team in the first year that I was here that aren't even in the game anymore. It's important to enjoy what you're doing but that comes from working hard. You have to live your life the right way off the pitch too.





## ***We need to give our all in every game and get as many points as we can over the **Christmas** period.***

***Your fitness has improved a lot hasn't it?***

The year we got relegated was a hard one for me. I wasn't playing regularly and I didn't start nearly as many games as I would have liked to. My head wasn't right and I probably put on a bit of weight and I lost fitness as a result. It was also the first year that I wasn't playing regularly and I didn't know quite how to deal with it. You don't know how you're going to react when you're not playing and in retrospect I should have reacted a bit better. I was young and you learn from your mistakes. I am much, much fitter now than I was then and I always watch what I eat. Times have changed!

***And what of this season? There has been a lot of talk of achieving back to back promotions, but how far can this team go?***

I think we should definitely be looking for promotion. Whether that is via the play-offs or we go up straightaway we shall see, but that's the target. We need to be scoring more goals when we get the chances and if we had scored a few more then I think we would be much further up the league. The division is very tight and with a couple of victories we can get right up there. That's what we are hoping for.

***Tonight's game kicks off a busy period over Christmas with four games in 12 days. What are you hoping to get in terms of a points return?***

They are all big games now. Tranmere have had a great start to the season and we then have two away games before coming back here for Portsmouth on New Year's Day. We need to give our all in every game and get as many points as we can over the Christmas period.

***Off the pitch you have had a busy time of it as well following the birth of your first child, Frankie. Presumably you have had your hands full off the pitch!***

Everything I do is for him – when I get in the door from work he's there and it's an amazing feeling. It's brilliant to go home and see him progress each day.

***What would you like Frankie Ferry to be when he grows up?***

I'm not really worried what he goes on to do, all that matters to me is that he has no worries in life.

***And finally, can you tell us one of your New Year's Resolutions?***

To have scored at least five goals by the end of this season!



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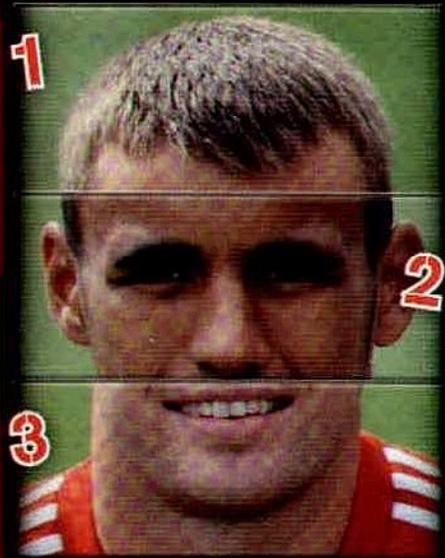
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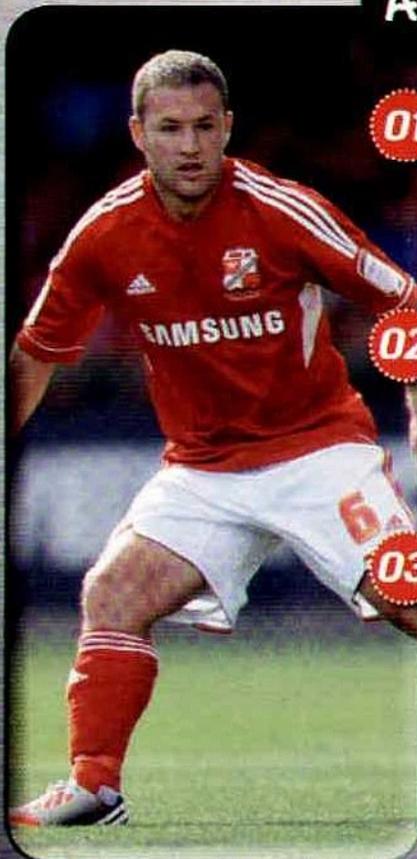
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Alan Navarro



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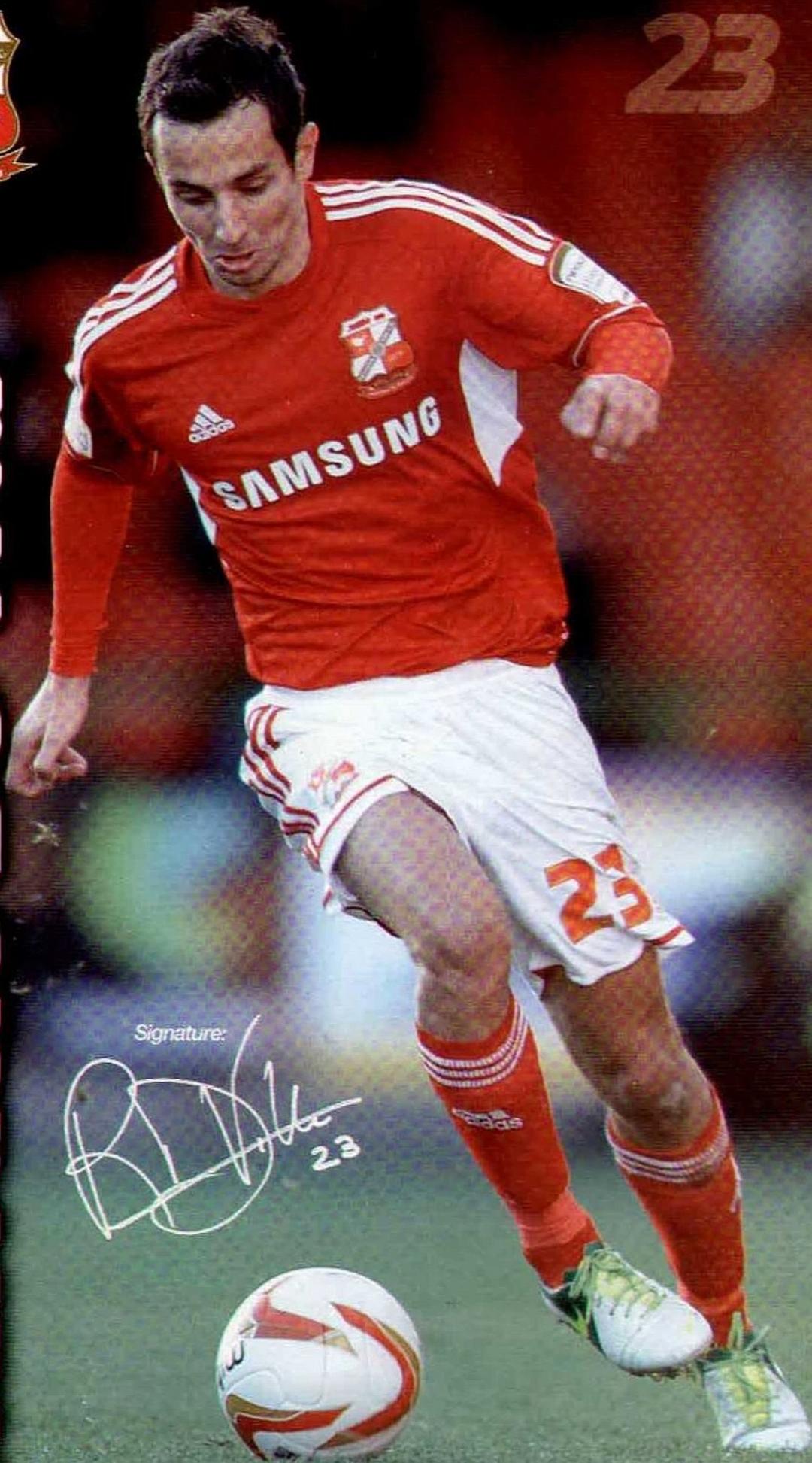
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3. Brighton & Hove Albion



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# Connections

Can you name the players who have played for both of today's teams?




**QUICK CLUE:** This frontman signed for Town from Bristol City and is here tonight...




**QUICK CLUE:** This former Tranmere player featured against STFC in pre-season...

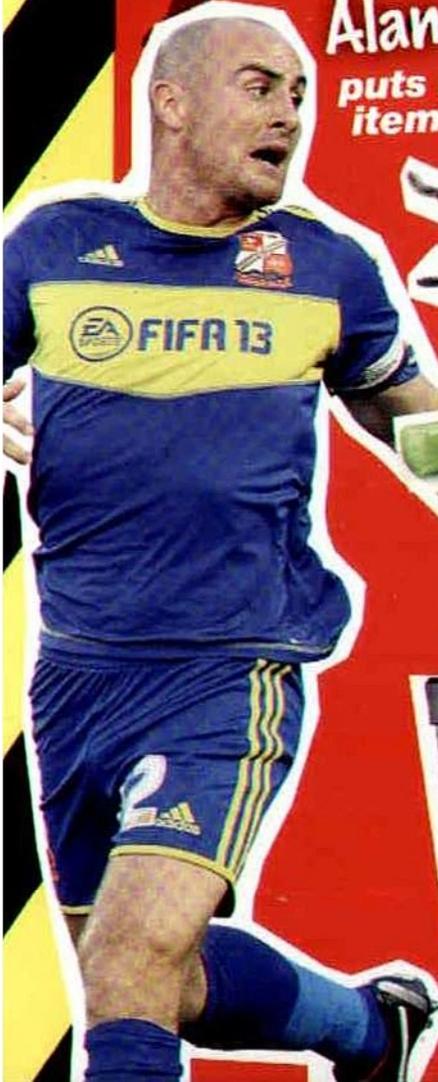



**QUICK CLUE:** A former striker who played for Swindon, Everton and Tranmere...

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Which player is spinning out of control?




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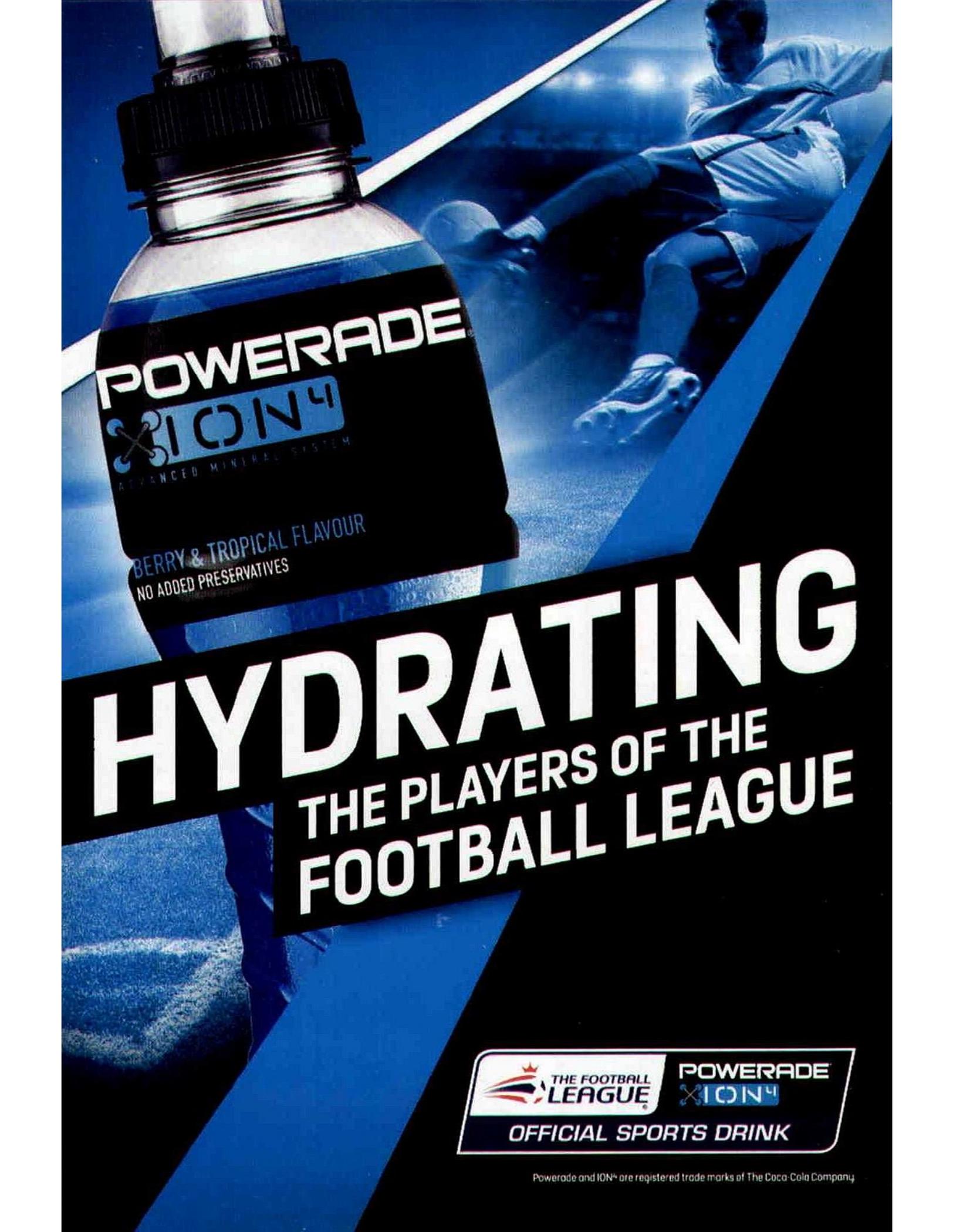


Nathan Clinch grabbed a picture with Alan McCormack before a recent Town home game.



Many happy returns to JR Member Brandon Guy who is here tonight celebrating his seventh birthday!

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# Match Analysis...

**Town** were held to a 1-1 draw by second-placed Doncaster Rovers despite creating numerous chances to win the encounter...

**THE** game started at a terrific pace and Town were ahead with just eight minutes on the clock. Andy Williams advanced into the box and looked up before stroking a pass across to the arriving Matt Ritchie who swept home the opener with his right foot.

The lead lasted for just three minutes as Danny Hollands put through his own goal at the other end stretching to intercept a cross.

Iain Hume then volleyed wide before Chris Martin headed Raffaele De Vita's cross against the post. Minutes before the break, the woodwork denied Martin again. Fed by Williams on the right side

of the box, the striker unleashed a shot that cannoned back off the crossbar.

Two minutes into the second period Town almost scored again as a corner was whipped across the face of the six-yard box and bounced through without anyone in red managing to get a touch.

Joe Devera then threw himself at a deep free-kick from Matt Ritchie but saw his header well held. Ritchie then hit an effort that was pushed away before James Collins' half-volley flew wide of the target in a moment that seems to sum up Town's afternoon in front of goal.

**MATT** Ritchie put Town ahead with an instinctive first-time finish which gave visiting stopper Gary Woods no chance from close range...



## Di Canio comment...

"I told my players to be more clinical in wide areas because we were probably 60 times in the opposition box and that is not enough to score two goals. We have to arrive 80 times, probably. If we deliver 80 better balls into the box we are going to score two because, unfortunately, every two balls in our box we can concede a goal. I don't want to underestimate players but everyone can improve."

## Flint comment...

"I think we were solid at the back with the back four and the goalkeeper, but it starts from the front and we defended as a unit. For their goal the ball was fired across and it just hit Danny, you can either swing a leg at it or it goes in, and it took a little deflection off me and I am not sure if that put him off or not, but it was unfortunate. We had plenty, and we just couldn't finish them."

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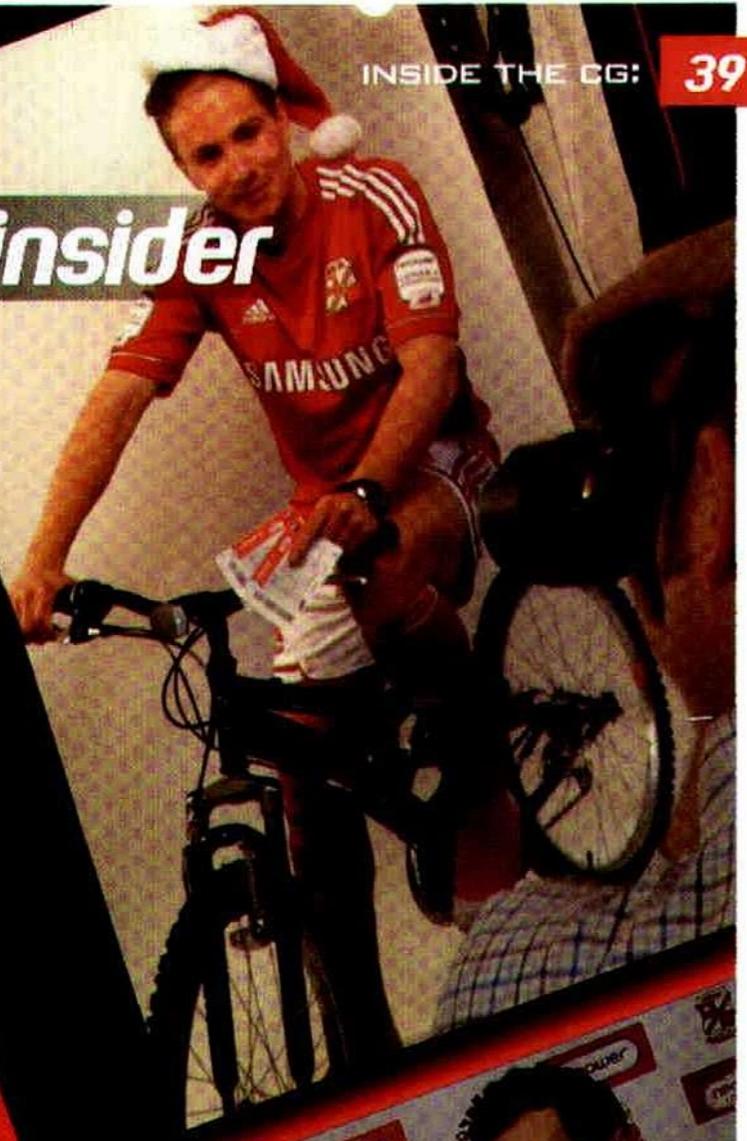
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# COYR insider



## Easy Rider...

A member of the Town squad was seen wheeling around the stadium after training earlier this week, after taking a shine to one of tonight's raffle prizes! The bike was safely returned and will be won by a Town fan in the Legends after the match.

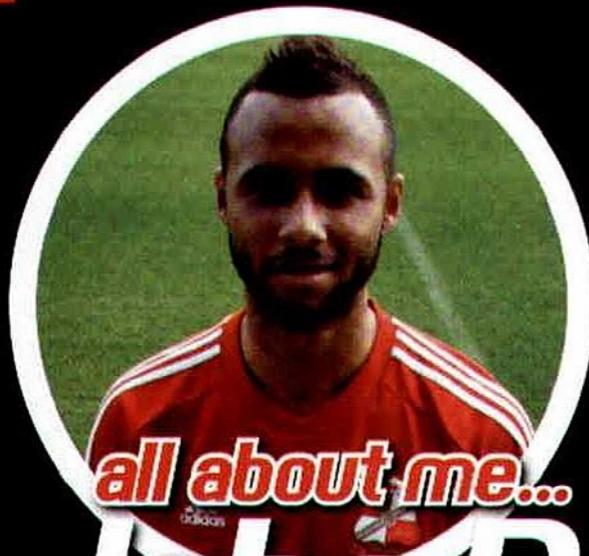
## Christmas Cover...

THANKS to all those companies who have helped out with the STFC Christmas raffle and also to Puttyfoot Photography who took the cover shot!

## Sweet Celebration...

NOT only did Head Chef Clive Harper receive a bottle of Jack Daniels for his 60th Birthday, he was handed a cake too! We do treat them well at STFC...





*all about me...*

# John Bostock

**The** on loan midfielder talks to COYR about his start to life in the game and having a Season Ticket...

**Date of birth:** 15.01.92  
**Nickname:** 'Bozzy', 'JB' or 'Johninho'  
**Squad Number:** 33

### *Earliest football memory...*

I'D say playing football for my first club, which was Pelo FC in Dulwich, I was about five years old and used to play a year up and the players were a lot bigger than me.

### *Team supported...*

**CRYSTAL** Palace. My Dad used to take me along to see their games and I had a Season Ticket from the age of five up until I made my debut for them at 15.

### *Favourite footballer ever...*

**RONALDINHO** Not that he is the best ever but because he's the best ever. He plays the game with such joy and he has a real passion for the game. I remember watching a game and he missed a penalty but was still smiling.



**Tell us something about you that we don't know...**

I was a Season Ticket holder at Crystal Palace from the age of five.

**Best attribute as a footballer...**

**BALL** control and perhaps my vision.

**Favourite goal you have ever scored...**

**HOPEFULLY** my next one for Swindon! If I had to pick one I would say the one for Hull against Swansea on the opening day a few seasons ago.

**What boots do you wear...**

**NIKE** CTR 360's.

**Career highlight so far...**

**I'LL** say breaking records for Tottenham and Crystal Palace for being their youngest player and also representing my country.

**Favourite stadium played at...**

**DEFINITELY** Wembley!

**Best friend in football...**

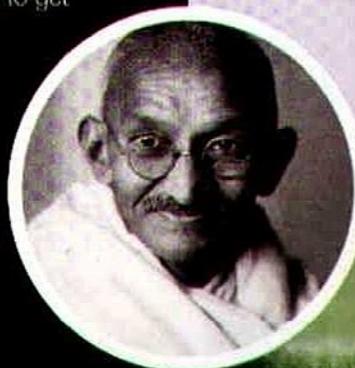
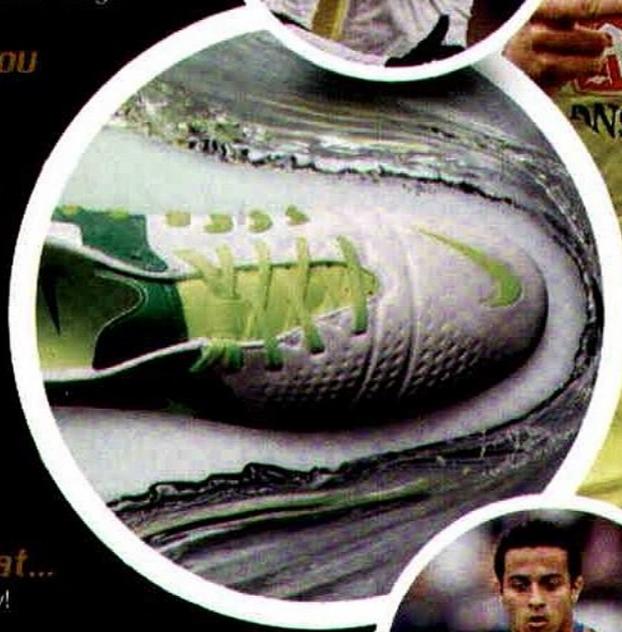
**PAUL** M'Poku. I played with him at Spurs and he is now with Standard Liège. He was best man at my wedding and I was best man at his.

**Toughest player played against...**

I would say Thiago Alcântara. I played against him for England against Spain – it was hard to get near him. He is with Barcelona now.

**Favourite ways to relax...**

I like spending time at home with my missus and watching educational films – such as Gandhi. I also like any film with Denzil Washington in. I saw Antwone Fisher the other day, which I'd recommend.



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# Swindon Advertiser...

**What** a year 2012 has been.

**AS** we gather at The County Ground for the final time (hopefully not THE final time - Mayan apocalypse permitting) it's a great moment to reflect on the trials and tribulations, success stories and sob stories, ups and downs that we have been through as a club and as a community over the past 12 months.

Not in my 19 years of following the Robins can I remember a calendar year so jam-packed full of action and incident.

From touchline theatrics to goalline clearances, cup glory to cup gory, unbeaten runs and scoring for fun this year has been, in a word, sensational.

Do you remember how it all began? That crazy evening in January when Wigan came to town and left with their tails lodged firmly between their legs?

Paul Benson and Alan Connell sent Town cart-wheeling into round four of the FA Cup - and it kick-started an astonishing run of form at the County Ground.

Nine straight wins followed, as only one goal was conceded, before Bristol Rovers halted the run with a goalless draw in March.

In the midst of that astonishing victory parade, Alan Connell sent Town into the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final with the only goal against Barnet.

Swindon grouped together to help manager Paolo Di Canio through the loss of his mother just a matter of months after the passing of his father.

Looking back on the visit of Plymouth in April it was remarkable that the Italian was loyal to his job in a time of immense personal heartache.

Those sentiments came pouring out at the grand finale against Port Vale - passion and emotion exploding as the Swindon boss lifted the League Two trophy.

And so 2011/12 became 2012/13 - and events in SN1 were just as magical.

Alan Navarro enjoyed two goals on his debut against his former club to send Brighton packing in the Capital One Cup. Burnley (Charlie Austin and all) were sent packing in that competition, too.

MK Dons and Crawley were dispatched with ridiculous ease. The finger-pointing, scarf-waving post-match ritual of the manager had fans waiting in their seats until well after the final whistle - something I cannot remember seeing anywhere else in world football.

Then it got a bit awkward. Suddenly Town weren't winning at home. Brentford, Colchester and Leyton Orient all took three points from their trips to The County Ground. Non-league Macclesfield knocked the Robins out of the FA Cup. Scunthorpe, Sheffield United, Doncaster and Coventry all took points from their trips to Wiltshire.

But at the end of it all - after a breathless and entertainingly unpredictable rollercoaster of a year - we can look back and smile.

This place hasn't enjoyed its football so much for quite some considerable time. If the world was to end tonight then we could most definitely say 2012 was the year gloom became glory at Swindon Town.



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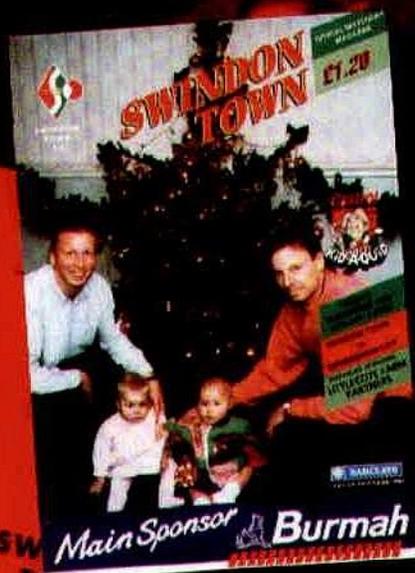
**This** re-arranged game saw Town host Birmingham City at the start of 1993, a year that proved to be a year to remember for the Robins who reached the top-flight.

**Words:** Dave Wallis

## Swindon Town 0 Birmingham City 0

**Date:** Sunday 29th December 1992 (Replayed 12.01.93)

**Attendance:** 14,398



**BIRMINGHAM** City visited the County Ground on the evening of 12th January 1993 for our 12th home match of the campaign, with almost 14,500 in attendance.

The game had originally been scheduled for 29th December, but bad weather had scuppered that plan, and the Blues arrived intent on holding on to what they had, stringing five men across the defence to stifle Town's attack.

The pitch was still heavy, hindering Town's attempts to play an attractive game, and neither Shaun Taylor or Craig Maskell could convert chances in front of goal.

Micky Hazard just failed to chip Blues' keeper Andy Gosney while Paul Peschisolido posed the most danger for the visitors, but there was little of it for the Town to deal with.

Maskell thumped a second half left footed effort against the right hand post and Glenn Hoddle struck a couple of shots wide of the target.

Gosney made important late stops to deny David Kerslake and Kevin Horlock, but this was a match that was mainly decided by the conditions.

Four minutes from the end City's John Gayle was dismissed for stamping on Shaun Taylor, having already earned a yellow card just three minutes earlier for retaliating against the same Town man.

Hoddle said afterwards, 'They came for a draw and got it, but I feel that we've thrown away a couple of points. The difficult conditions probably suited them better than us but we still managed to play some good football and create plenty of chances. I couldn't fault our effort.'

The original match programme, destined for the festive season, saw a nice Christmas picture of an infant Billy Bodin on the cover.

The game with Birmingham wasn't the only one subject to a re-arrangement in December 1992. On 12th, our home game with tonight's visitors was abandoned after 51 minutes when the floodlights failed. Surely annoying Rovers more than ourselves, the score stood at 2-1 to the Wirral based outfit at the time.

### Swindon Town:

Fraser Digby, David Kerslake, Paul Bodin, Glenn Hoddle, Colin Calderwood, Shaun Taylor, Micky Hazard, Andy Gray, Craig Maskell (Dave Mitchell), Kevin Horlock, Steve White.

Sub unused: Nicky Summerbee

### Birmingham City:

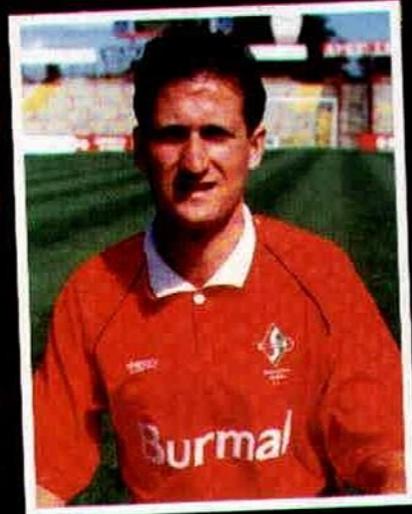
Andy Gosney, Ian Clarkson, Graham Potter, Paul Fitzpatrick, Martin Hicks, Trevor Matthewson, Paul Peschisolido, John Gayle, David Rennie, Paul Tait, John Frain.

Sub unused: Simon Sturridge, David Speedie.

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## **Player Review:**

**Words:** Tom Otrabalski



## **David Kerlake**

**Season Stats:**

**Appearances: 36**

**Goals: 0**

**ANOTHER** survivor of Town's 1990 Wembley win, Kerlake was initially left out in favour of Nicky Summerbee. After starting in Town's 2-2 draw at Wolverhampton Wanderers in September, Kerlake became the preferred choice at right full-back with Summerbee pushing up into a midfield position. His consistent performances attracted the attention of bigger clubs and in March 1993, Kerlake made his final appearance in a 4-0 demolition of Watford before he was sold to Premier League side Leeds United for half a million pounds.

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# Community News Update...

An update as the Community National Citizen Service programme comes to a close with a series of festive celebrations....

## A Great End to 2012...

**OVER** the last week the Swindon Town Football in the Community National Citizen Service has drawn to a close, hosting of three Christmas parties for children with disabilities.

The parties were organised by the 45 16 and 17 year olds that are part of the programme, designed to develop skills used in the workplace whilst making young Adults more aware of the impact of volunteering on the community. These participants planned and implemented every part of each Christmas party, from budgeting and planning of staffing to going out and buying Christmas presents and cards and wrapping them themselves.

This programme began with a four-night residential trip to Plas Pencelli in the Brecon Beacons during half-term before the young Adults embarked on six evening workshops which involved learning about living with disabilities, learning sign language and then planning their projects.

The parties were a great success with activities provided by the hosts including musical



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chairs, pass the parcel, a seasonal game of pin the nose on the Rudolph and even a visit from Santa to dish out presents to the children.

The participants were all very happy with their own contributions to their parties and very much enjoyed working with children with disabilities, several of which have already expressed an interest in being involved with some of the other projects being run by the Trust. One of the Football Education Programme Scholars who was part of the course said: "I want to coach next half-term on the disability courses, it was loads of fun and it's great to give these kids a great Christmas party to end this project."

Adam Tribbick, Education Officer for the STFC Community Trust and Coordinator of the NCS Programme said: "It was great to see the young Adults completing this programme, showing great commitment when they were receiving no

financial or material income from giving up their time to learn about the community and provide a great experience for someone else. The residential phase of the programme really provided a fantastic foundation for the rest of the workshops, with the participants so enthused from a great weekend away; they carried this into the planning of the projects with great outcomes."

Clive Maguire, Football in the Community joint manager, added: "We have had an outstanding year during 2012, with us embarking upon two new major projects – these being the Football & Futsal Education programme and the NCS. These have been the icing on the cake and we now go into 2013 full of optimism for the New Year. We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Also, a big thank you to all our staff for their support and professionalism during the year."



**Christmas cheer:** A total of 45 children aged 16 and 17 years old plan and enjoy their Christmas parties with FITC

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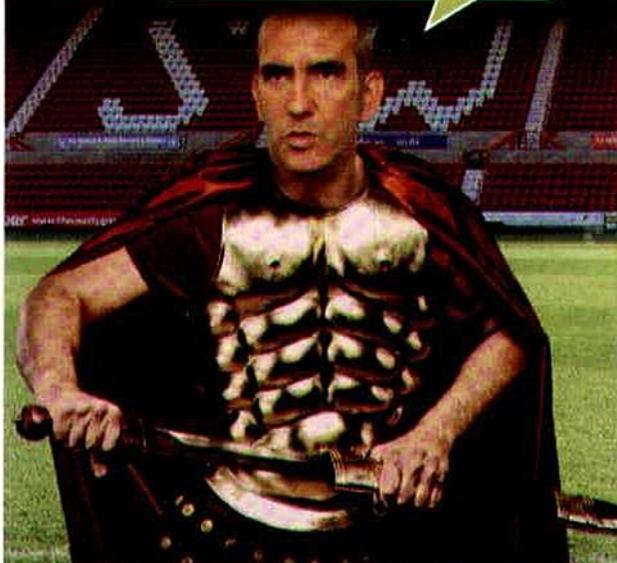
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# Paul Bodin...

**It's** been a busy year for the youth department on and off the field with plenty to report.

**LAST** weekend we returned to winning ways with a 3-2 friendly win at AFC Bournemouth. It was good to get back to a win, as the game came after defeat at Oxford seven days earlier.

Against Oxford we made a few chances early on and could have gone ahead, with Mark Francis going close. We kept lots of the ball but didn't really create as many openings as we should have as the game went on. We limited Oxford to very few chances but didn't manage to score ourselves which hasn't really happened to us many times this season. With the game being a local derby I would have expected a bit more from the players in terms of getting themselves up for it, but the match ended with defeat.

Last Saturday we travelled down to Bournemouth for a friendly and came away with a 3-2 win. It was an excellent performance from back to front and the performances of Connor

Waldon and Mark Francis were outstanding. They were tireless with their running and chasing down and set the tone. Connor converted a cross from Jake Simpson to get us back on level terms early on and we went in 1-1 at the break. Connor scored his second of the game to make it 2-1 before Liam Walsh, who came off the bench, added the third. Bournemouth scored in the 91st minute to make it 3-2 but overall it was a very positive afternoon.

All our players are judged over a two year period and it's been a busy first half of the season. The first year scholars came straight from school into a full pre-season programme and they have had to adapt quite quickly. Pre-season went really well and we played against some good Academy sides. The season started pretty well and we have got progressively better in many areas.

There have been a lot of positives to take and it has been wonderful to see the likes of Louis Thompson and Aaron Oakley regularly involved with the first team squad. Louis started for the first team against Sheffield United and Aaron has been on the bench on several occasions. Miles Storey made a big impact against Aston Villa and scored against Stevenage too and it's been good to follow his progress. He has also represented his country at Under-19's level to cap a fantastic year for the youth department.

Now we look forward to developing the EPPP even further as we go into the New Year and beyond.



**Paul Bodin:** Under-18's manager



## 2012/13 U18 Fixtures

Date	Fixture	Res
<b>Sat Aug 11</b>	<b>Torquay United</b>	<b>4-3</b>
Sat Aug 18	Bristol Rovers	0-1
Fri Aug 31	Wales Colleges (F)	1-1
Wed Sept 5	Reading (F)	4-5
<b>Sat Sept 8</b>	<b>Exeter City</b>	<b>2-0</b>
Thu Sept 13	AFC Bournemouth (F)	1-5
Sat Sept 22	Yeovil Town	1-1
Sat Sept 29	Cheltenham Town	4-1
<b>Tue Oct 9</b>	<b>Bristol Rovers (F)</b>	<b>0-3</b>
Sat Oct 13	Cheltenham Town Cup	1-1
<b>Sat Oct 20</b>	<b>Bournemouth Cup</b>	<b>0-3</b>
Sat Oct 27	Hereford United Cup	7-2
<b>Tue Oct 31</b>	<b>Sholing FC FAYC1</b>	<b>6-1</b>
<b>Sat Nov 3</b>	<b>Oxford United</b>	<b>1-4</b>
<b>Tue Nov 13</b>	<b>Ciren Town FAYC2</b>	<b>6-1</b>
<b>Sat Nov 17</b>	<b>Hereford United</b>	<b>7-0</b>
Sat Dec 1	Plymouth Argyle	2-3
<b>Tue Dec 4</b>	<b>Liverpool FAYC3</b>	<b>0-5</b>
<b>Sat Dec 8</b>	<b>Oxford United</b>	<b>0-1</b>
Sat Dec 15	Bournemouth (F)	3-2
Sat Dec 29	FREE DATE	-
Sat Jan 5	FREE DATE	-
<b>Sat Jan 12</b>	<b>Yeovil Town</b>	<b>H</b>
Sat Jan 19	CUP	-
Sat Jan 26	Exeter City	A
Sat Feb 2	Hereford United	A
<b>Sat Feb 9</b>	<b>Cheltenham Town</b>	<b>H</b>
Sat Feb 16	FREE DATE	-
Sat Feb 23	Oxford United	A
Sat Mar 2	FREE DATE	-
<b>Sat Mar 9</b>	<b>Plymouth Argyle</b>	<b>H</b>
Sat Mar 16	FREE DATE	-
Sat Mar 23	Torquay United	A
Sat Mar 30	FREE DATE	-
<b>Sat Apr 6</b>	<b>Bristol Rovers</b>	<b>H</b>



## 2012/13 U18 Table

Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
Oxford Utd	9	7	0	2	+12	21
Bristol R	8	6	1	1	+6	19
Plymouth A	7	5	1	1	+10	16
<b>Swindon</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>+10</b>	<b>13</b>
Exeter City	7	3	1	3	+1	10
Torquay Utd	6	2	0	4	-1	6
Yeovil Town	7	1	2	4	-8	5
Cheltenham	8	1	1	6	-7	4
Hereford Utd	8	1	1	6	-23	4

# Alex Ferguson

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**Town's** youth team skipper talks about starting out in the game, scoring goals and making it all the way to the top with Swindon Town...

**Date of birth:**

**23.09.94**

**Place of birth:**

**Basingstoke**

**Who first spotted your potential as a footballer?**

**MY** Dad encouraged me to start playing football for my local team. I started out playing for Thatcham Tornados when I was seven-years old and continued from there. A scout from Reading then spotted me and I joined aged 12.

**What's your best childhood memory sporting wise?**

**PLAYING** for Swindon Under-18's against Birmingham City in the FA Youth Cup last season. We won the game and it was a big Academy side we were playing against, which made it one to remember.

**Do your family have any sporting links?**

**MY** brother is a very good swimmer and he has made it to national level.

**Who was your favourite player when you were growing up?**

**ZINEDINE** Zidane! He had a brilliant career in the game and was a real entertainer. I remember watching him on TV and some of the skills he had were unbelievable.



2012/13 U18 Squad...

**When and how did you sign for Swindon?**

I signed for Swindon in 2009 after I was released by Reading. I had been at Reading since the age of 12 but was released at 14. I played at game at Bisham Abbey for Swindon on trial and did enough to be signed on.

**What are your aims this season?**

MY main aim, like all of the scholars here, is to try and earn a professional contract here at Swindon. I will try my best to play as well as I can for the remainder of the season and impress whenever I can.

**Tell us about the best goal you have ever scored?**

A bicycle kick for Swindon Under-15's against Yeovil Town at their place. The ball came in from a corner and I thought I'd try and give it a go with a speculative effort and it went in!

**Who has been the biggest influence on your career?**

I will have to say my Dad. He used to drive me around to games when I was younger and has helped me a lot during my career.

**What players do you admire in your position?**

SIMON Ferry because he is very calm on the ball and has great passing ability. He uses the ball on the pitch and is a good guy to learn from.

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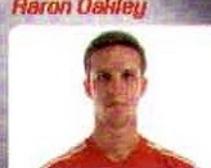
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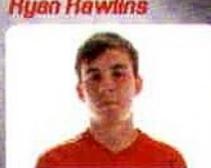
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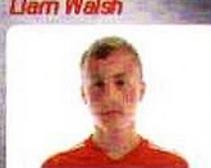
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# Fans on Facebook

**Across** the season supporters will have the chance to finish off a question posed by STFC. 'I LIKE Friday night football because...'



### Chris Woolston

I can celebrate 3 points with a beer and dance all night long!



### Martin Dowdeswell

Because after a hard days work what's better than watching Town win and get 3 points to cheer me up.



### Ian Szerlowski

Because it's better than having to take the wife out.



### Martin Wooster

It's a nice way for me to end my working year with a nice 3 points COYR.



### Keith Porteous

It's what makes a Friday night!



### Jack Stagg

Because we can do Christmas shopping on Saturday.



### Mark Fry

I can have a lay in on Saturday then!



### Scott Goodenough

There's always a cracking atmosphere at a night game at The County Ground.



### David Trotman

Perfect way to end the working week with good friends and top supporters.



### Justin Jay Orchard

Because what better way for the world to end than with a town victory.



### Tony Harrison

I like Friday night football as we are going to beat Tranmere Rovers and move three points off the top.



### Sophie Ophie

When Town win we can party hard and celebrate after and not worry about a work hangover the next day.



### Simon Evans

Cos we can take a half day, jump on the train, have a few beers then watch the mighty Town!



### Jonny House

It's the perfect way to round off a hard week at school!

# STFC Media Channels

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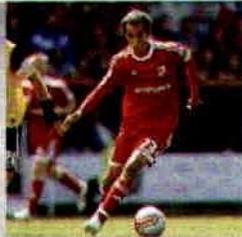


### Top Tweet... @wes\_foderingham

Great win today! Hopefully this is the start of a winning streak! Good to keep a clean sheet as well! Thanks to the travelling supporters!

### Top Tweet... @RaffaDeVita23

Good 3 points but a horrible drive back!!



### Top Tweet... @siferrythe3rd

Steve Claridge barnet is dryer than a packet of jacobs crackers!



### Top Tweet... @JohnJBostock

Every1 follow @BOSS\_BOOTS selling New, Rare & used footy boots. I've donated some of my vapors to them too! #BOSSBOOTS.



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# Supporters Club

**297** Town fans made the long journey to Boundary Park last weekend and it proved to be a worthwhile trip with a 2-0 away victory...



Supporters Club are offering the chance to participate in the final 10 games of the season, starting with the Carlisle match for £10. Full details of how to participate this way, can be found here [swindontownsupportersclub.com](http://swindontownsupportersclub.com) or for further information email [enquiries@swindontownsupportersclub.com](mailto:enquiries@swindontownsupportersclub.com)

Participating this way will mean you are automatically entered in each match draw, are advised of and retain the same number for each draw. We also contact you if you are a prize winner and there is no need to claim. This is a unique and potentially rewarding Christmas or New Year gift for anyone who supports STFC!

### Half-time draw

**THE** latest winners, which took the prize money paid out already this season to £8,426, were...

1. J Pearce of Swindon who won £570 with ticket number 912
2. J Nichols of Swindon won £65 with ticket number 1161

As well as our annual payment and matchday sales the

### Newsletter...

**MEMBERS** should have received their December

**Fans Gallery...** Send your pics to us by emailing them to [programme@swindontownfc.co.uk](mailto:programme@swindontownfc.co.uk) or tweet



### Winter warmer...

**TOWN** fan Hayley Brown beat the recent cold snap by wearing her brand new STFC onesie for the journey to work!



### Birthday treat...

**HAPPY** Birthday from all at STFC to Paul & Logan Parsons who recently celebrated their birthdays at the Brentford game.



### Chance Meeting...

A group of volunteers from the GWH enjoyed a ground tour at SN1 recently, where they had the chance to meet Rockin' Robin!

# The win at Oldham took the Pounds for Points total to **£2027.50**

newsletter ahead of the Christmas holiday and this includes an opportunity to win six cracking prizes, including mascot packages and all for free, by answering a number of quiz questions. Full details are in the newsletter.

For those fans who have yet to become Members, but may like to have a go at a few of the questions. So here is a selection that you can ponder over your Christmas pudding.

1. Who was the youngest player to score a hat-trick for STFC?
2. Which player scored four goals at Bournemouth in season 1966/67?
3. Colin Ballie scored own goals, home and away in season 1983/84 for the same team. Who were the Town playing against in those matches?

4. Which player scored nine goals in a week for Swindon and who were the two opposition teams?

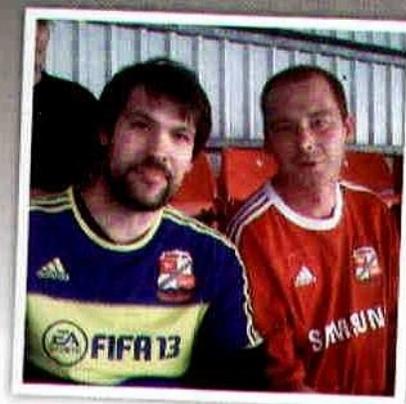
## Pounds for Points...

THE terrific pre-Christmas boost of the win at Oldham took the Pounds for Points total to £2027.50.

We appreciate the contributions of everyone to this scheme and to participate in the second half of the season if you are not already involved contact Mavis mavis@swindontownsupportersclub.com or telephone 01235 868755.

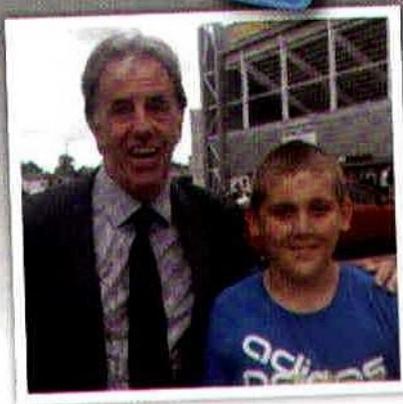
A Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year to all fans, players, management and everyone associated or involved with Swindon Town! Here's to a successful 2013.

your pics to **Official STFC** the club's official Twitter feed.



### Pre-match...

**RICKY** S.J Hacker and Steven Fitzgerald pictured in the Don Rogers Stand before kick-off against Doncaster Rovers.



### Pic of the Day...

**TOWN** fan Declan Harris had a chance meeting with former Ciren Town & Liverpool defender Mark Lawrenson at Preston.

## Pounds For Points



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# Christmas Crackers!

**COYR** takes a look back at some festive encounters that proved to be real winter warmers...

**Words:** Tom Otrebski

## Town 8-0 Newport County...

**26 DECEMBER 1938:** Table-topping Newport County were given a hiding on Boxing Day 1938. Town were four goals up at the break thanks to Arthur Barraclough, Billy Lucas and a brace from Ben Morton. Morton completed his hat-trick in the second half before Eddie Jones and a double from Cliff Francis rounded off the scoring.

## Torquay 0-1 Town...

**28 DECEMBER 1985:** Lou Macari's side engineered an away-day success in 1985 that saw them reach the summit of Division Four. Colin Gordon's fourth strike of the season ten minutes into the second half was enough to separate the sides. Town would go on to claim the Fourth Division championship breaking a number of club records in the process.

## Town 4-3 Blackburn...

**26 DECEMBER 1989:** A Boxing day thriller masterminded by Ossie Ardiles. Two goals down inside twenty minutes, Town scored three times in 11 minutes to lead at the break. Duncan Shearer pulled one back before notching a leveller. Paul Bodin then nudged Swindon ahead just before the interval. Rovers equalised in the 72nd minute before Steve Foley popped up to score the winner 13 minutes from time.

## Sheffield Wednesday 3-3 Town...

**29 DECEMBER 1993:** An encounter from Town's solitary season in the Premier League. Goals from Andy Mutch and Craig Maskell saw Swindon head into the break 2-1 up. Two goals in three second-half minutes from Gordon Watson set Town on course for another defeat. As the clock ticked over the 90-minute mark, Mutch crossed for Maskell to notch a last-gasp equaliser with a thumping diving header.

## Town 2-1 Wycombe...

**26 DECEMBER 2006:** Town boosted their automatic promotion credentials with a win over fellow challengers Wycombe. Goals from Lukas Jutkiewicz and Lee Peacock gave Paul Sturrock's men all three points and pushed them closer to the top three. Swindon would clinch an automatic return to League One with a final-day draw with Walsall.

## Northampton 1-2 Town...

**31 DECEMBER 2011:** One of the most memorable moments of last season. A goal down at the break, Alan Connell equalised in the second half. In injury time, Alan McCormack played a one-two with Raffa De Vita before poking the return ball into the net sparking scenes of celebration among the travelling support and prompting manager Paolo Di Canio to run the length of the touchline to join in the celebrations.



1938: Hat-trick hero Morton (centre)



1989 & 1993: Matchday programmes



2006: Lee Peacock celebrates the winner



2011: Alan McCormack at Sixfields




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Disabled	£15.00

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## Trip Advisor...

**Boxing** Day will see a trip to Leyton Orient and here's a guide if you are making the trip down the M4...



### The Journey...



**Tube Strike:** At the time of going to print, a tube strike had just been announced which will see London Underground drivers strike following a row over holiday pay. Bus services are expected to be available.

**By Car:** Exit M25 at junction 27 and follow signs to "London (NE), M11" onto the M11 southbound. After 7.1 miles where the road divides, bear right (s/p A406 N. Circ. Rd West, London N and W) onto the North Circular Road. Keep in left hand lanes and take first exit after 0.6 miles (s/p Walthamstow and City A104, then Whipps Cross A104, West End (A503)). At roundabout turn left (s/p Whipps Cross, Bakers Arms, Walthamstow A503) into Woodford New Road A104. At next roundabout (Whipps Cross) after 1.2 miles, take 2nd exit (s/p A104 Bakers Arms, Leyton) and follow road round to left, towards BP station, into Lea Bridge Road. After 0.5 miles, just after Esso station, turn left at lights (s/p Leyton, Stratford, then Leyton Leisure Lagoon) into Leyton Green Road. Filter left after 0.3 miles and turn left at T-junction into Leyton High Road. After 1.2 miles ground is down sidestreets on RHS.

### Staying Over...



**Hotel Options:** There are several hotel options located within the Westfield Stratford City complex. The Premier Inn is a budget option and all rooms provide incredible panoramic views of the local attractions and the magnificent London skyline. Holiday Inn London - Stratford City is another option and is a newly built, 188 bedroom hotel, in the heart of Westfield Stratford City shopping centre.



### Grab a Bite...



**Westfield Centre:** The Westfield centre has all the chain restaurants you could possibly think of. Options include Greek, Mexican, Thai as well as the likes of Jamie's Italian. The Leyton High Road/Leyton Mills area also has a range of fast food outlets.



### Enjoy a Drink...



**The Coach & Horses:** On Leyton High Road, just a couple of minutes away from the away turnstiles. Alternatively there is the Birkbeck Tavern, Langthorne Road which is about 10 minutes walk the other side of the station from the stadium and is a 20 minute walk to the ground.

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### Numbers Game...

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### The Stadium...



#### Matchroom Stadium:

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### Away review...



### Oldham Athletic 0 Town 2



**TWO** goals from Raffaele De Vita were enough to secure a welcome three points at Oldham Athletic last weekend. Speaking to the media after the 2-0 win, manager Paolo Di Canio was full of praise for the travelling Red and White army with nearly 300 fans making the trip to Boundary Park. Town fans were able to sample the range of hot and tasty pies on offer

from our northern cousins to help stave off the winter chill. In the spirit of the season, one might not have been surprised to hear strains of "Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way, oh what fun it is to see the Swindon win away..."

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### vs Leyton Orient

Wed Dec 26, 3pm

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S.Cit. O65	£15	£16
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**Availability:** On sale to Season Ticket holders until Saturday 8th December. On general sale from Monday 10th December.

### SAS Travel Details:

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### vs Colchester Utd

Sat Dec 29, 3pm

	Price:
Adult	£18
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Under 18	£10
Armed Forces (ID)	£13
Wheelchair users	£13
<small>(Phone Colchester on 0845 437 9099 to book)</small>	
Amb. Disabled	£13

**Availability:** Now on general sale. Prices increase on matchday by £2 Adult and £1 Concession.

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<b>August</b>				
Tue 14	Brighton & H.A. CAP R1	H 3-0 W	5,737 (716)	Foderingham McEveley A-Herville McCormack Devera
Sat 18	Hartlepool United	A 0-0 D	4,132 (461)	Foderingham McEveley A-Herville McCormack Devera
Tue 21	Crawley Town	H 3-0 W	7,658 (154)	Foderingham McEveley Flint McCormack Devera
Sat 25	MK Dons	H 1-0 W	8,299 (497)	Foderingham McEveley Flint McCormack Devera
Tue 28	Stoke City CAP R2	A 4-3 W	9,147 (1,200)	Foderingham McEveley Flint 1 McCormack Devera
<b>September</b>				
Sun 2	Preston North End	A 1-4 L	10,372 (867)	Foderingham McEveley Flint McCormack Devera
Wed 5	Oxford United JPT R1	A 0-1 L	7,746 (1,311)	Foderingham Bessone Ward McCormack Devera
Sat 8	Leyton Orient	H 0-1 L	8,072 (276)	Foderingham Bessone Flint McCormack Devera
Sat 15	Carlisle United	A 2-2 D	4,987 (315)	Foderingham McEveley Ward McCormack Devera
Tue 18	Portsmouth	A 2-1 W	12,121 (1,455)	Foderingham McEveley Ward McCormack Thompson
Sat 22	AFC Bournemouth	H 4-0 W	8,533 (752)	Foderingham McEveley Ward McCormack Thompson
Tue 25	Burnley CAP R3	H 3-1 W	7,353 (455)	Foderingham McEveley A-Herville 1 McCormack Thompson
Sat 29	Shrewsbury Town	A 1-0 W	6,303 (875)	Foderingham McEveley Ward McCormack Bessone
<b>October</b>				
Tue 2	Colchester United	H 0-1 L	7,443 (121)	Foderingham McEveley A-Herville McCormack Bessone
Sat 6	Bury	A 1-0 W	2,683 (408)	Foderingham McEveley Flint Ward Thompson
Sat 13	Coventry City	H 2-2 D	9,808 (1,095)	Foderingham McEveley Flint Ward Thompson
Sat 20	Scunthorpe United	H 1-1 D	7,388 (185)	Foderingham McEveley Flint Ward Thompson
Tue 23	Crewe Alexandra	A 1-2 L	4,010 (273)	Foderingham McEveley A-Herville McCormack Devera
Sat 27	Stevenage	A 4-0 W	4,518 (926)	Foderingham Devera Flint Ward McCormack
Tue 30	Aston Villa CAP R4	H 2-3 L	14,434 (3,185)	Foderingham McEveley Flint McCormack Devera
<b>November</b>				
Sat 3	Macclesfield Town FAC R1	H 0-2 L	6,408 (139)	Foderingham McEveley Flint Ward Thompson
Tue 6	Sheffield United	H 0-0 D	8,354 (814)	Foderingham McEveley Devera Ward Thompson
Sat 10	Walsall	A 2-0 W	4,139 (962)	Foderingham McEveley Devera Ward Thompson
Sat 17	Yeovil Town	H 4-1 W	8,112 (433)	Foderingham McEveley Devera Ward 1 McCormack
Tue 20	Brentford	H 0-1 L	7,431 (548)	Foderingham McEveley Devera Ward Thompson
Sat 24	Notts County	A 0-1 L	6,383 (815)	Foderingham McEveley Devera Ward McCormack
<b>December</b>				
Sat 8	Doncaster Rovers	H 1-1 D	7,700 (430)	Foderingham Devera Flint Ward Thompson
Sat 15	Oldham Athletic	A 2-0 W	3,345 (297)	Foderingham McCormack Devera Ward Thompson
Fri 21	Tranmere Rovers	H 7.45pm		- - - - -
Wed 26	Leyton Orient	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 29	Colchester United	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
<b>January</b>				
Tue 1	Portsmouth	H 2.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 5	Carlisle United	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 12	AFC Bournemouth	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 19	Shrewsbury Town	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 26	Tranmere Rovers	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
<b>February</b>				
Sat 2	Crawley Town	A 5.20pm	sky SPORTS HD	- - - - -
Sat 9	Hartlepool United	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 16	MK Dons	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 23	Preston North End	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Tue 26	Bury	H 7.45pm		- - - - -
<b>March</b>				
Sat 2	Coventry City	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 9	Walsall	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Tue 12	Brentford	A 7.45pm		- - - - -
Sat 16	Yeovil Town	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 23	Notts County	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 30	Oldham Athletic	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
<b>April</b>				
Mon 1	Doncaster Rovers	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 6	Crewe Alexandra	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 13	Sheffield United	A 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 20	Stevenage	H 3.00pm		- - - - -
Sat 27	Scunthorpe United	A 3.00pm		- - - - -

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Don't forget Town's New Year's Day fixture against Portsmouth will kick-off at 2pm.



**Kid for a Quid v Carlisle!**

TOWN welcome Carlisle United to SN1 on Saturday 5th January and Juniors 15 years of age and under will be able to watch for just £1.

In addition to providing a great opportunity for supporters to bring the whole family out and see a live game of football, the price of an Adult ticket in the side stands has been reduced to just £20.

Side Stands Only - All Adults - £20, Juniors (15 & under) - £1 (this also applies to accompanied juniors in the Town End). Ticket prices in all other categories will remain as normal.





## League Table 2012/13

## nPOWER LEAGUE 1

Pos	Team	P	HOME					AWAY					GD	Pts
			W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
1	Tranmere	22	5	4	2	20	10	6	4	1	18	8	+20	41
2	Brentford	22	8	2	1	21	11	3	6	2	12	11	+11	41
3	Shelf Utd	22	5	6	0	18	10	5	4	2	11	8	+11	40
4	Doncaster	22	5	1	5	13	14	7	3	1	18	7	+10	40
5	MK Dons	22	8	2	1	17	5	3	4	4	14	12	+14	39
6	Stevenage	22	3	5	3	15	19	7	2	2	15	10	+1	37
<b>7</b>	<b>Swindon</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>+14</b>	<b>36</b>
8	Notts Co	22	4	2	5	15	14	5	6	0	18	8	+11	35
9	Bournemouth	22	5	5	1	19	11	4	3	4	18	22	+4	35
10	Crawley	22	5	3	3	19	17	5	2	4	12	14	0	35
11	Crewe	22	6	2	3	13	10	3	4	4	15	18	0	33
12	Leyton Orient	22	5	0	6	11	12	5	1	5	14	14	-1	31
13	Coventry	22	3	4	4	18	15	5	2	4	19	14	+8	30
14	Yeovil	22	4	2	5	12	14	5	1	5	20	19	-1	30
15	Preston	22	3	5	3	16	11	4	3	4	16	16	+5	29
16	Oldham	22	3	3	5	11	12	4	2	5	11	14	-4	26
17	Colchester	22	4	3	4	14	14	2	2	7	9	20	-11	23
18	Walsall	22	2	4	5	14	21	3	4	4	11	16	-12	23
19	Carlisle	22	2	2	7	14	28	4	3	4	14	15	-15	23
20	Shrewsbury	22	5	3	3	15	12	0	4	7	10	18	-5	22
21	Portsmouth	22	3	2	6	12	13	2	4	5	15	20	-6	21
22	Scunthorpe	22	1	3	7	11	23	4	2	5	13	17	-16	20
23	Bury	22	2	4	5	10	16	2	3	6	13	20	-13	19
24	Hartlepool	22	1	3	7	8	19	0	3	8	7	21	-25	9

## Player Statistics 2012/13

No.	Player	Age	NL1	FAC	CAP	JPT	Total	Goals	Yellow	Red	STFC Apps
1	Foderingham	21	21	1	4	1	28	-	-	-	69
2	Archibald-Henville	24	3(2)	1	2	-	6(2)	1	2	-	6(2)
3	McEveley	27	18	1	4	-	23	-	4	-	32
4	Flint	23	9	1	2(1)	(1)	12(2)	1	3	2	50(7)
5	Devera	25	15(1)	-	3	1	19(1)	-	2	-	53(2)
6	Navarro	31	6(3)	-	3	-	9(3)	2	1	-	9(3)
7	L Rooney	21	1(2)	-	(1)	-	1(3)	-	-	-	12(3)
8	Ferry	24	14(8)	1	1(3)	1	17(10)	2	1	-	128(24)
9	Collins	22	15(6)	(1)	2(1)	-	17(8)	8	2	-	17(8)
10	Ritchie	23	23(1)	(1)	4	-	24(2)	8	2	-	116(7)
11	Roberts	28	9(6)	1	2	-	12(6)	1	3	-	12(6)
12	McCormack	28	15(1)	-	4	1	20(1)	-	5	-	67(5)
14	Benson	33	6(3)	-	3	1	10(3)	3	1	-	37(3)
15	N Thompson	21	10	1	1(1)	-	12(1)	-	2	-	16(7)
16	Williams	26	17	1	3(1)	1	22(1)	4	-	-	22(1)
18	Miller	33	14(2)	-	4	(1)	18(3)	1	2	-	18(3)
19	L Thompson	17	1(1)	(1)	-	-	1(2)	-	-	-	1(3)
20	Storey	18	1(5)	-	(2)	-	1(7)	3	-	-	1(13)
21	Bessone	28	4(1)	-	-	1	5(1)	-	1	-	5(1)
22	Ward	34	15	1	-	1	17	1	3	-	17
23	De Vita	25	12(3)	1	2(1)	1	16(4)	6	-	-	52(14)
24	Martin	24	3(2)	-	-	-	3(2)	-	2	-	3(2)
25	Coke	26	1(2)	-	-	1	2(2)	-	-	-	2(2)
26	Hollands	27	3(2)	-	-	-	3(2)	-	1	-	3(2)
28	A Rooney	24	2(10)	1	-	1	4(10)	3	-	-	4(10)
30	Bedwell	18	(1)	-	-	-	(1)	-	-	-	(1)
32	Smith	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1)
33	Bostock	20	6(2)	-	-	(1)	6(3)	-	1	-	9(4)

## Tonight's Mascots



## Lewis Perrett:

Age: Nine tomorrow!

School: Blandford School, Dorset

Hobbies: Lives for Football

Favourite player: Wes Foderingham



## Holly Elizabeth Williams:

Age: 9

School: Honeybourne First School

Hobbies: Football &amp; netball

Favourite player: Simon Ferry



## Samuel Rossiter:

Age: 7

School: Astwood Bank First

Hobbies: Football, rugby &amp; cinema

Favourite player: Aden Flint



## Jonathan Priddle:

Age: 11

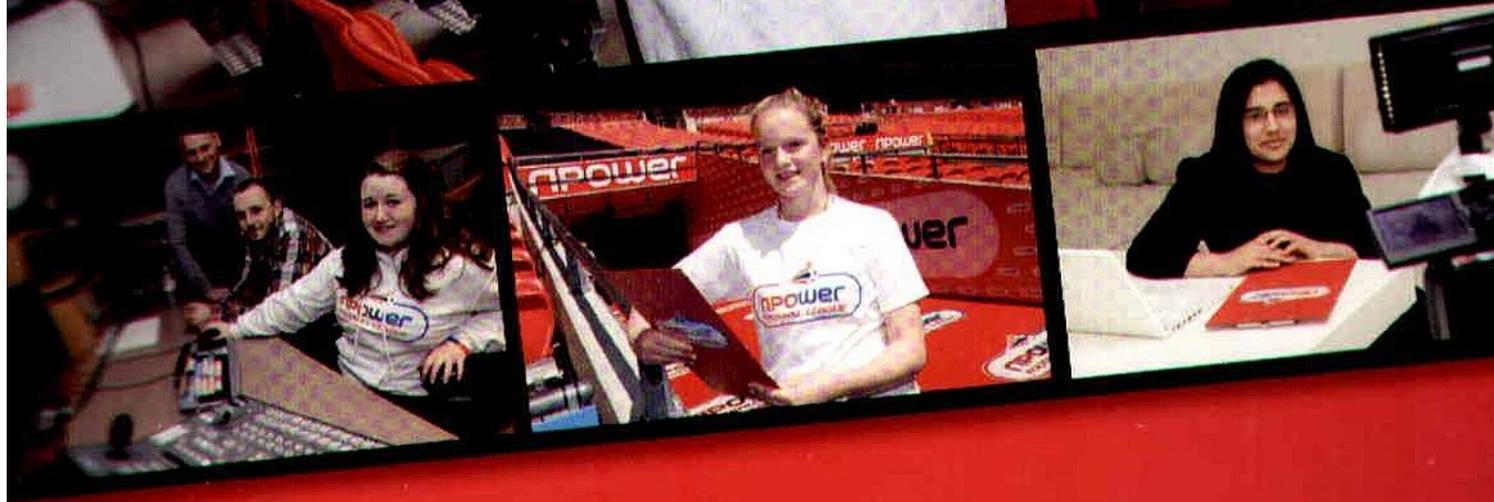
School: St Marys Purton

Hobbies: Guitar

Favourite player: Matt Richie



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## Match Officials

Referee: Tony BATES

Assistants: C. HATZIDAKIS, G. RUSSELL

4th Official: Adrian TRANTER



# THE SQUADS

Friday 21st December 2012



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## Swindon Town

Manager: Paolo DI CANIO

	1	Wes FODERINGHAM (GK)
	2	Troy ARCHIBALD-HENVILLE
	3	Jay McEVELEY
	4	Aden FLINT
	5	Joe DEVERA
	6	Alan NAVARRO
	8	Simon FERRY
	9	James COLLINS
	10	Matt RITCHIE
	11	Gary ROBERTS
	12	Alan McCORMACK (CAPT)
	15	Nathan THOMPSON
	16	Andy WILLIAMS
	18	Tommy MILLER
	19	Louis THOMPSON
	20	Miles STOREY
	21	Federico BESSONE
	22	Darren WARD
	23	Raffaele DE VITA
	24	Chris MARTIN
	26	Danny HOLLANDS
	28	Adam ROONEY
	30	Leigh BEDWELL (GK)
	33	John BOSTOCK

## Tranmere Rovers

Manager: Ronnie MOORE

	1	Owain FON WILLIAMS (GK)
	2	Danny HOLMES
	3	Paul BLACK
	4	Ash TAYLOR
	5	Ian GOODISON
	6	Liam PALMER
	7	Joe THOMPSON
	8	James WALLACE
	9	Jake CASSIDY
	10	Andy ROBINSON (CAPT)
	11	Adam McGURK
	12	Danny HARRISON
	14	Zoumana BAKAYOGO
	15	Jake KIRBY
	16	Cole STOCKTON
	17	Max POWER
	18	Mark McCHRISTAL
	19	Michael KAY
	20	Michael O'HALLORAN
	21	Ben GIBSON
	22	Abdulai BELL-BAGGIE
	23	Donervorn DANIELS
	26	Jean-Louis AKPA AKPRO
	33	Jason MOONEY (GK)

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