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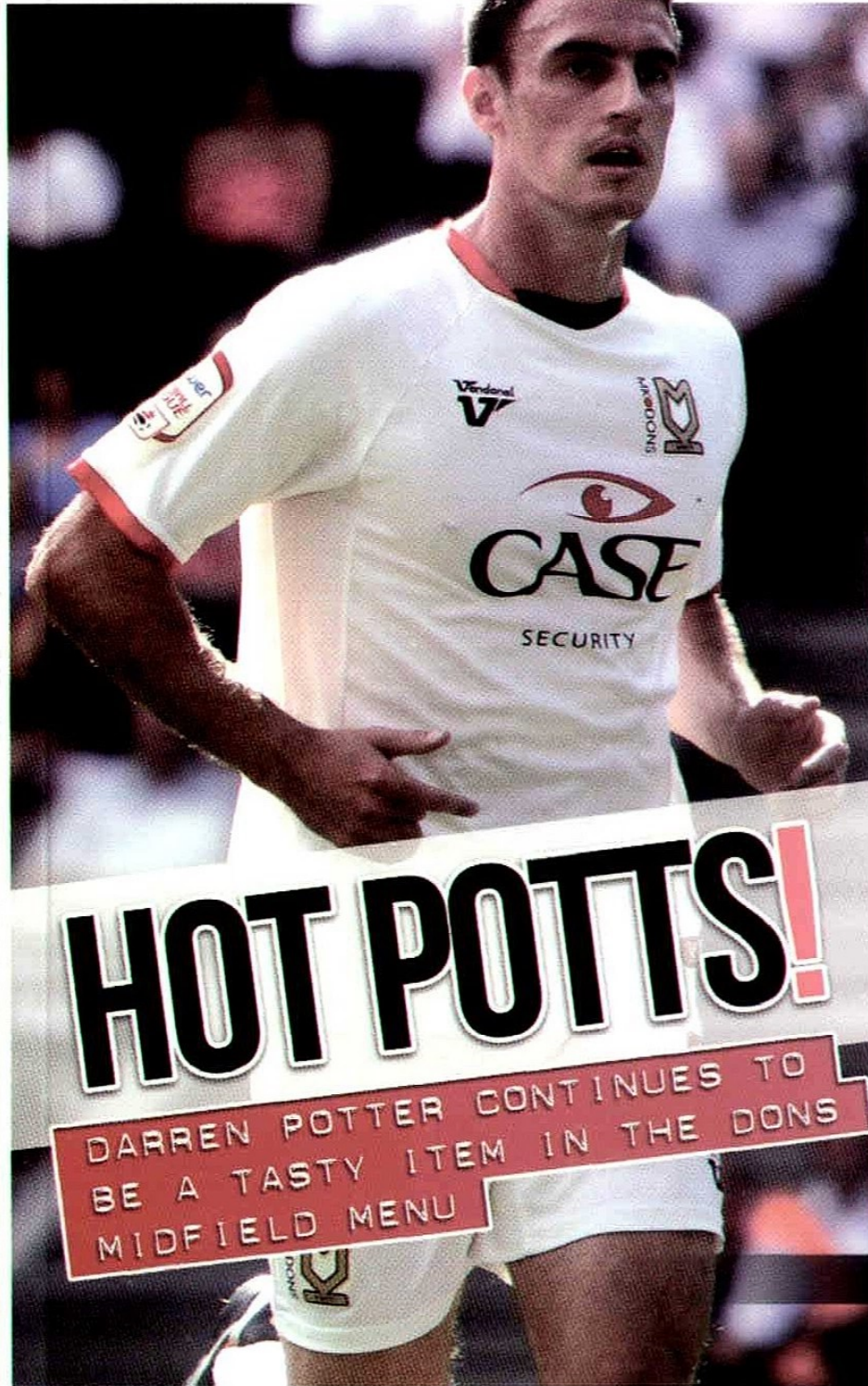
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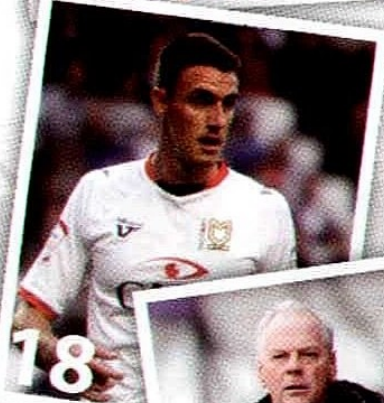
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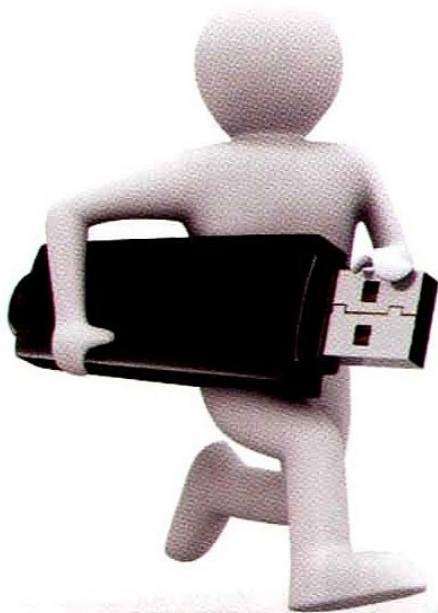
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## FROM THE CHAIRMAN PETE WINKELMAN!



### 'Your support this evening is vital to our team'

Good evening and a warm welcome to the directors, players, staff and supporters of Swindon Town for tonight's npower League 1 fixture at *stadiummk*.

Kevin MacDonald and his Swindon team arrive here at MK1 currently occupying the final play-off position with ambitions of ensuring a chance at their second successive promotion. Since returning to League 1 they have found themselves at the top end of the table throughout the season and have claimed many scalps along the way, including ours at the start of the season. Over the years we have enjoyed some excellent battles with Swindon and with the season drawing ever-close to the end and every point becoming more valuable I suspect we will all be treated to another thrilling match this evening.

On Saturday it appeared that Lady Luck was nowhere to be seen in the stadium as we endured a frustrating afternoon in front of goal. On another day we might have been reflecting on a comfortable win but for one reason or another that was not meant to be against Crawley. The quick turnaround of fixtures allows our team to have another go tonight, in what is our penultimate home game of the regular season. We still hold bold ambitions of reaching the play-offs, but it will take an incredible effort to get there and we cannot afford to drop points along the way, which is a difficult ask for any team in this highly-competitive League.

It is now at the stage in the season when every game brings its own permutations across the division. Last weekend it was Gillingham who were the first team to secure their fate as they confirmed promotion to League 1 next season.

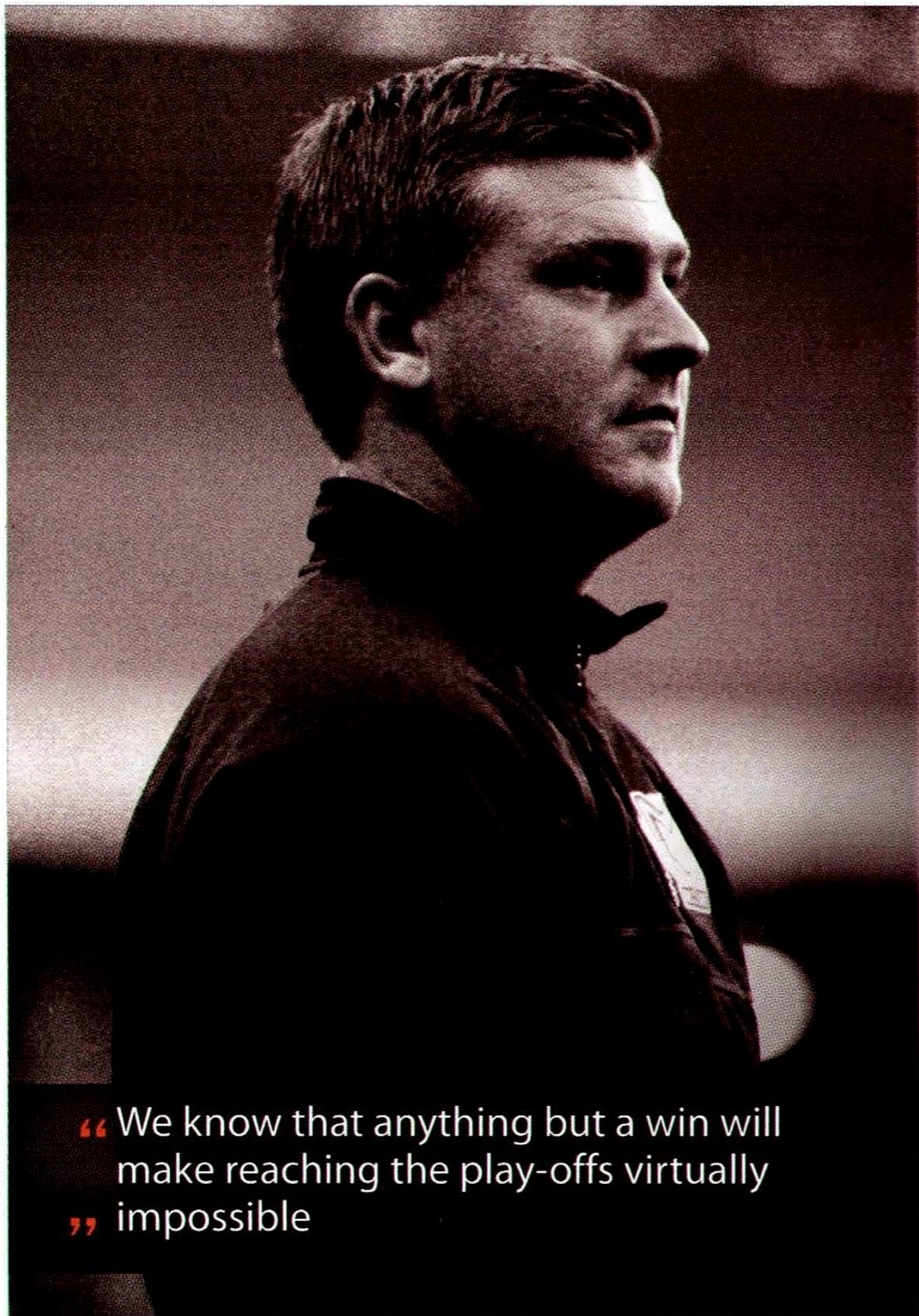
On behalf of everyone at the Club I would like to congratulate our former manager Martin Allen, who is still a friend of the Football Club's, as well as our own Tom Flanagan, who played an early part in their promotion campaign.

We are currently on the hunt for the 2012/13 MK Dons Fan of the Year. I know there are some excellent candidates in the stands today who I am sure deserve the title. As with previous years, we are asking you to submit your nominations through the correct channels by emailing [fanoftheyear@mkdons.com](mailto:fanoftheyear@mkdons.com) with your contact details and those of the person you are nominating along with 150 words on why they should be crowned our Fan of the Year at the Player of the Year Awards later this month. The nominations will be judged by a panel consisting of Executive Director Andrew Cullen and a member of the MK Dons Supporters' Association. There is still time to nominate, with the closing date set for Wednesday 17th April, so do make sure you register your vote.

Your support this evening is vital to our team, we have to keep fighting until the end and if we are all in it together it will make the challenge ahead of us a little easier, so let's all raise the volume in *stadiummk*.

Come on you MK Dons!

*Pete Winkelman*



“ We know that anything but a win will  
make reaching the play-offs virtually  
” impossible

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# KARL ROBINSON

Welcome to Kevin MacDonald, his staff, players and the Swindon Town fans to *stadiummk* for tonight's game.

Kevin has picked off where Paolo Di Canio left off and is doing a fine job at The County Ground with an excellent squad at his disposal. Swindon have been at the top echelons of the League all season and are currently on course to have a chance at back-to-back promotion.

They weren't in action at the weekend so this is their first game in a week whereas it is our third game in eight days, which is a big ask from the players. We had a tough game at The County Ground earlier in the season and we didn't give a great account of ourselves, but since then our record, especially at *stadiummk*, against the teams in the top six has improved and we have plenty of confidence in our own abilities. The importance of tonight's game has not been underestimated by me, the coaching staff or the players. We know that anything but a win

will make reaching the play-offs virtually impossible.

Saturday's game against Crawley was the perfect example of how frustrating football can be when the fine margins fall against you. I was shell-shocked that we had not taken all three points after the game; I thought we pummelled Crawley yet only had a point to show for it. I didn't make any changes in the last 15 minutes because I felt we were so dominant and I didn't want to interrupt the flow because we were creating so many chances. In both our games against Crawley this season we have had enough chances to have won the matches but for one reason or another we haven't been able to convert them. Obviously Ryan Lowe had three goals disallowed for off-side, I've never known a player have a hat-trick of disallowed goals before and I thought the second decision was extremely harsh. Their 'keeper also made a world class save from Ryan, yet at that point I couldn't see us not winning the game.

The greatest frustration was that performance was one of our best in a number of weeks yet



we came away with nothing whereas against Brentford and Hartlepool we picked up six points. Other than being more clinical in front, there is not much I could ask of the players when we were back in the dressing room.

Saturday's goalless draw meant we reached 19 clean sheets for the season, which is better than last season, so credit must go to David Martin, Ian McLoughlin, the defence and the remainder of the team for breaking that record. Our defence is a great foundation for us to pick up points and we will need to be on our A-game again tonight.

Enjoy the game.

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The season's biggest event off the pitch, the 2012/13 MK Dons Player of the Year Awards, will take place on Wednesday 24th April at *stadiummk*.

The Player of the Year Awards represent a great way to honour the achievements of the Dons throughout the campaign, and a fantastic evening to celebrate with players, staff and fellow supporters in the Clydesdale Bank Ballroom.

Once again there will be awards to the Academy Player of the Year, Players' Player of the Year, Goal of the Year, and the all important Player of the Year - as voted by the supporters of MK Dons.

A seat at the Player of the Year Awards includes a drinks reception, three course meal followed by the awards themselves. Individual places are available now priced at £49 including VAT while a table of ten can be booked for £490 inc VAT and includes two bottles of house wine. To find out more or to book your package contact the Dons Partnerships Team on 01908 622884 or e-mail [commercial@mkdons.com](mailto:commercial@mkdons.com)

# DONSNEWS!

## STEVENAGE TICKET ALLOCATION

MK Dons have been allocated 1300 tickets for this, our final league game of the 2013-14 season.

The club in consultation with the Away Ticketing Group will allocate tickets for this game in accordance with the policy outlined in the Customer Charter.

Tickets will be limited on a one per person basis until 5pm Thursday 11 April to all away season ticket holders, all home season ticket holders and members who have attended five away games in the last twelve months.

From 12 April to 17 April allocation will be opened up to all other members. Any remaining tickets will go on general sale from 18 April. Tickets are priced at £23 Adults; £20 Over 60's, students with ID, Ambulant Disabled; £16 Under 21's and £12 for Under 12's. Wheelchair bookings need to be made directly to Stevenage on 01438 223223. Please see [mkdons.com](http://mkdons.com) for details of official coach travel to the game.

## DONS GO DUTCH

Many clubs, including MK Dons, are joining The Football League London to Amsterdam Challenge in support of Prostate Cancer UK.

Fans, players and club officials from across The Football League will take to the saddle for a unique two day "Total Football" themed, 155 mile challenge for the 250,000 men living with prostate cancer across the UK. The ride will see fans pedal from capital to capital, raising money for prostate cancer. Kicking off on Friday 14 June, the route will pass through the picturesque countryside of rural England, before crossing The Channel at Harwich and onto the flat

landscape of Dutch Zeeland. Former England, Watford and AC Milan Striker, Luther Blissett, has already signed up, and other footballing legends are expected to follow. Luther told said: "Rivalry between clubs can be fierce, and although it isn't meant to be a race, I am sure there'll be a sprint to reach the finish line, but we'll definitely be all on the same team when it comes to raising awareness and funds for prostate cancer."

Dons fans can find more details at [prostatecanceruk.org/amsterdam](http://prostatecanceruk.org/amsterdam) represent the club for the London Amsterdam Challenge.

## ALL THE WAY FROM ATLANTA

We are pleased to welcome 37 representatives from The Greater Atlanta Christian School in Georgia, USA, as part of the Group Ticket Rewards Scheme. They will be taking part in the half-time challenge today.

## MARATHON RUN

MK Marathon is back at *stadiummk* for a second year and on May 6th 2013 it's going to be bigger and better than ever before, with the chance to enter the all new Super Hero Fun Run.

If you would like to take part Contact Andy Hully [run@miltonkeynesmarathon.com](mailto:run@miltonkeynesmarathon.com)

## MK DONS V CHELSEA

The Club's future stars have the chance to impress in another Academy Challenge Match as MK Dons Under-15s take on Chelsea Under-15s at the end of May. In the third Academy Challenge Match of the season, it is the Under-15s opportunity to step into the spotlight at *stadiummk* when they play host to Chelsea on Tuesday 28th May, kick-off 7pm. There are already a host of familiar names in the younger age group with the likes of Kevin Danso, who recently starred for the Austrian Under-15s, Under-15 Scotland international hopeful Connor Furlong and the latest Academy hotshot Hugo Logan, who featured for the Under-18s at the age of 14.



The Academy Challenge Matches are the perfect opportunity for the youngsters to step up and perform on the big stage, while it also allows the supporters to have a look into the future of the Football Club. Tickets are priced at £3 for Adults and £1 for Under-18s. The ticket sales will be pumped back into the Academy.

## GET VOTING

The MK Dons Player of the Year Awards are just two weeks away – have you registered your vote yet? The Player of the Year award is voted for by the fans, so we want to know who is your star of the season? Darren Potter picked up the gong in his first season with the Club, but has he done enough to keep his hands on the prize? You can register your vote via [mkdons.com](http://mkdons.com) or at the polling stations at the info point, Box

Office, Club Superstore or Football Club Reception at *stadiummk*. The closing date for voting is 12noon on Monday 22nd April. Other awards include Goal of the Season – which will be voted for on the night; Players' Player of the Year; Top Goal Scorer; plus new additions with MK Dons Under-23 Young Player of the Year and the re-vamped Media Personality of the Year.

## LEO TRICE

Leo Trice son of the stadium architect Mike Trice and MK Dons fan sadly recently passed away at the tender age of 12. Leo was a big character and will be a great loss to his family and all who knew him. Leo raised money over the years for Harefield Hospital Heart Lung research centre via his Just Giving Page. Leo's family wish to continue raising money via the website so if you



would like to make a donation please go to [www.justgiving.com/leotrice](http://www.justgiving.com/leotrice).



The Player List

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 THE O'JAYS  
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 SMOKEY ROBINSON  
 GET READY  
 THE TEMPTATIONS  
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 THE JACKSON 5  
 HIGHER GROUND  
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SATURDAY 13TH APRIL / KICK OFF 3.00PM  
The Matchroom Stadium



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Students:	£15 (with a valid NUS card)
Armed Forces:	£15 (with a valid military ID)
Unemployed:	£15 (with proof of benefit receipt)
Under 18s:	£5

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Wheelchair users (entitled to a free carer): Free  
To book a wheelchair space please call the Leyton Orient ticket office on 0871 310 1883.

### Travel

Departs *stadiummk* @ 11.30am  
£14 Adults and £13 Concessions  
with a £1 discount to season ticket holders and members.

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## Colchester United (Away)

TUESDAY 16TH APRIL / KICK OFF 7.45PM  
The Weston Homes Community Stadium



### Tickets:

Adults:	£18	Under 18s:	£10
Seniors (65+):	£13	Under 14s:	£4
18-21 year olds:	£14	Armed Forces:	£13 (with ID)

Ambulant Disabled (entitled to a free carer): £13  
Wheelchair users (entitled to a free carer): £13  
To book a wheelchair space please call the Colchester United ticket office on 0845 437 9089.  
Ticket prices will increase on the matchday by £2 for adults and £1 for concessions.

### Travel

Departs *stadiummk* @ 3.15pm  
£16 Adults and £15 Concessions  
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**REARRANGED FIXTURE...** Tickets purchased for the original fixture are valid for this game. Anyone wishing to claim a full refund must do so by 5pm on Monday 15th April 2013. No refunds will be accepted after this date.

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## Scunthorpe United (Home)

SATURDAY 20TH APRIL / KICK OFF 3.00PM  
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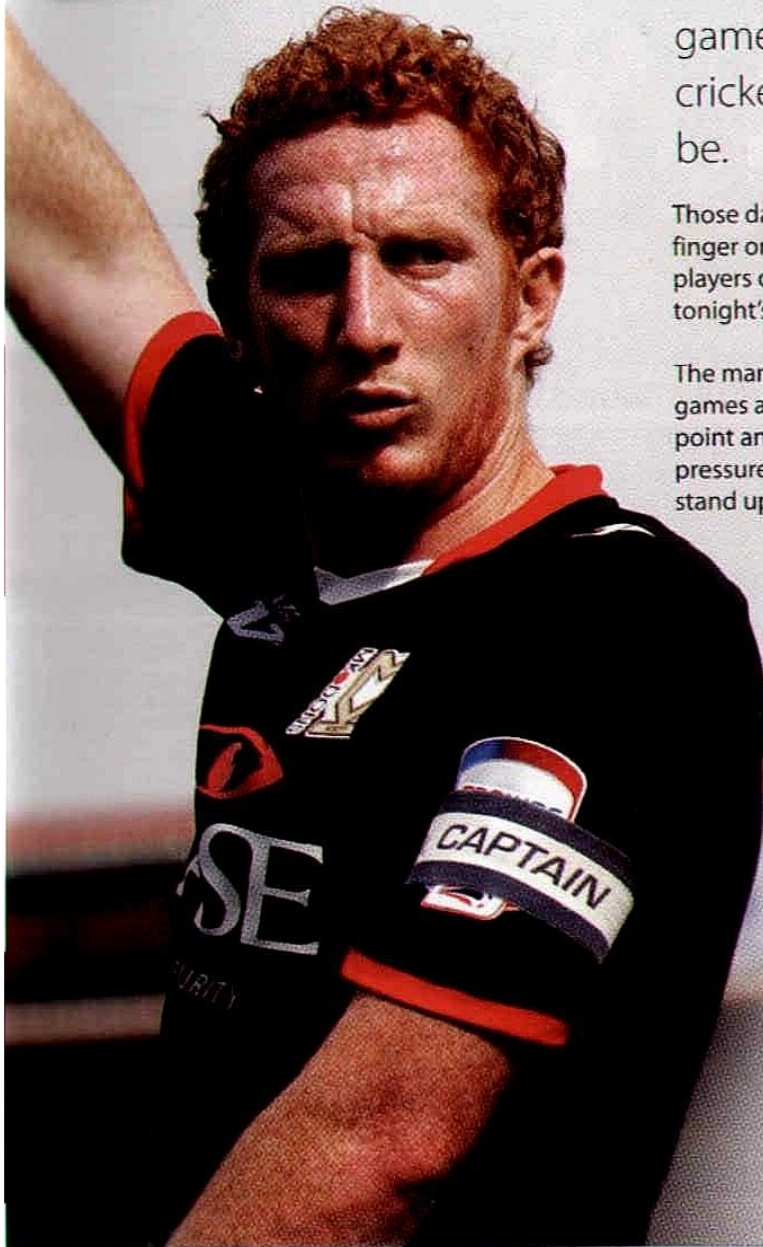
There was an all-too-familiar feeling of frustration after Saturday's game, I think everyone in the stadium knows it was a game we could have won by a cricket score but it just wasn't to be.

Those days happen in football, it's difficult to put your finger on why they happen but it is important all the players dust themselves down and pick ourselves up for tonight's game.

The manager said he was targeting four points from our games against Crawley and Swindon. We have one point and three are up for grabs this evening so the pressure is on but it is a time for all of the players to stand up and be counted.

I've been injured for over three weeks now and it's been a difficult time sitting and watching the games - on Saturday I co-commentated on the game for MK Dons Player so felt a little closer to the action but it's been tough not being able to help out my team-mates. Hopefully I might be involved in some capacity this evening.

Last week both Dele Alli and Giorgio Rasulo returned to the Club after spending time away with England Under-17s and England Under-16s respectively. From what I've seen, both players did themselves and the Club proud in their respective tournaments and will no doubt have gained invaluable experience with the England setups. Both players have impressed when they've been in and around the first team this year and I am sure the fans are excited at the prospect of seeing them in the coming years.



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# MK DONS CRAWLEY TOWN

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## Line-ups

### MK DONS



**Subs:**

Chadwick (Powell 60)

**Not Used:** Smith, Baldock, Lines, Rasulo

### CRAWLEY



**Subs:**

Proctor (Hayes 72)

Hunt (M Jones 90)

Connolly (Adams 90)

**Not Used:** Maddison, O'Brien, Eiford, Aliyu

## Match Stats

64%	Possession	36%
12	Shots On Target	4
11	Shots Off Target	4
9	Corners	13
12	Fouls	14

Referee: Darren Bond  
Attendance: 7,746



"I'VE GOT A LOT OF RESPECT FOR RICHIE BARKER AND HIS TEAM, BUT I THINK WE PUMMELED THEM TODAY. WE'VE GOT TO BE MORE CLINICAL AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT. I THINK WE COULD NOT DO ANYMORE THAN WHAT WE'VE DONE. IT'S NO HOLDS BARRED NOW WE'VE GOT TO WIN THE REMAINING GAMES."

**KARL ROBINSON**





### The Low Down

The Dons had three goals from Ryan Lowe ruled out for offside as Crawley dented their faint play-off hopes with a determined display.

Dominating from the outset, the home team created chance after chance, but other than the disallowed efforts there were two key moments in the game.

In the 28th minute visiting keeper Paul Jones pulled off a superb save when somehow managing to palm away a Lowe header that looked a certainty for the net.

Then just before half-time, a Dean Bowditch cross found Daniel Powell, who managed to blast over the bar from six yards. It proved to be a costly miss.

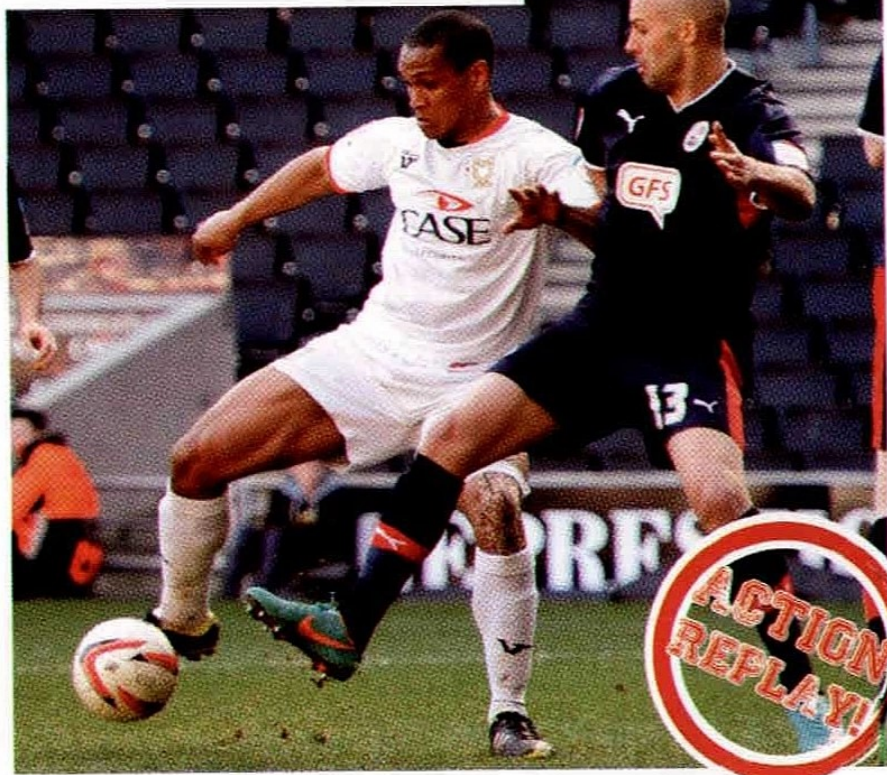
### OPPOSING VIEW

"It wasn't through a lack of spirit and hard work. It was a very patched-up team, thrown together, and I thought the second-half display was excellent.

"I think that's probably the first game in eleven we've not dominated. It's nice we've come away in a different way and picked up a point.

"As the game went on you could see them rallying each other on. We made sure we had a clean sheet and to be fair they kept going."

RICHIE BARKER





# HOT POTTS!

Darren Potter has been a consistent midfield presence since joining the Dons and is looking to end the season in an elite club

**Darren Potter is in line to write his name into the MK Dons history books over the next few weeks.**

The Dons midfielder is currently on track to become only the second outfield player to be ever-present in the League, a feat achieved by captain Dean Lewington last season.

Potter clocked up a half-century of appearances this season for the Dons in Saturday's stalemate with Crawley Town, but he has plenty left in the tank to ensure the men from MK1 finish as high up the League 1 table as they possibly can over the next five games.

Speaking to reddot Potter said: "It's great to have played every League game; there have been different emotions along the way with ups and downs, some great games and some which are not-so-great. It's been a long journey and it's still not over yet, it will be a tough ask but hopefully we can get the wins we need to get us over the line for the play-offs.

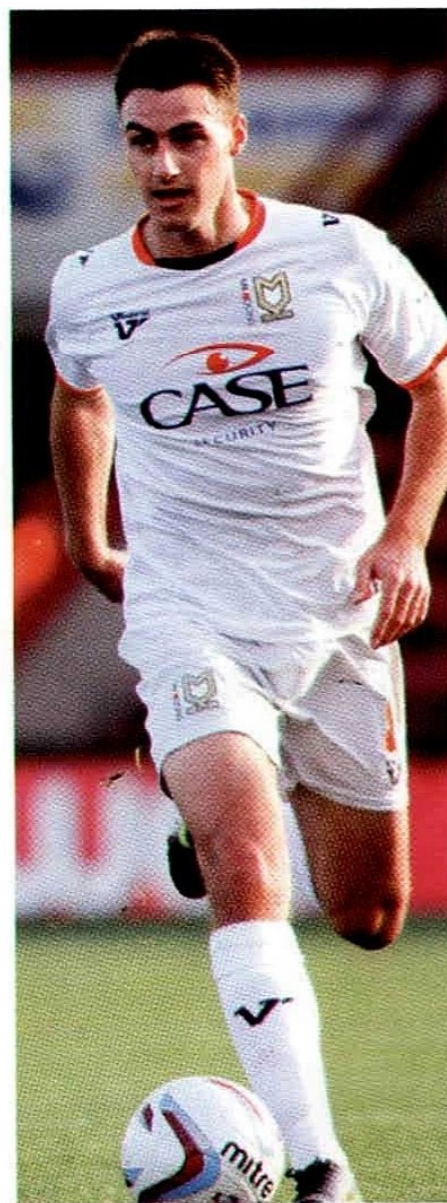
"When we look at the League table now and none of us want

to be where we are, we feel as though we should be higher up the League, if not in the play-offs then a lot closer to it."

Last season's Player of the Year received plaudits from pundits, fellow players and opposition managers in his first season with the Dons for his excellent partnership in midfield with Stephen Gleeson. When Gleeson's broken foot ruled him out for almost three months Potter was paired alongside a handful of other players before the fellow Republic of Ireland international returned. So did Potter feel his role had to develop to compensate for the loss of Gleeson?

"I don't think what I have to do on the pitch has changed; it's only the personnel alongside me that have changed! I agree that the partnership was lost when Stephen got injured, but I think the players which have come in to play alongside me have done a great job too so you have to give them credit."

The Dons are seven points adrift from the play-offs with five games remaining but could cut



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“ Every game becomes doubly important at this stage of the season ”

that gap to four points if they beat Swindon, who currently occupy the final play-off place, tonight.

Potter believes it would be one of his greatest achievements if the side can claw their way into the play-offs at this late stage.

“It would be up there as far as my achievements go because we still have a hell of a lot to do and the games are running out, every game becomes doubly important at this stage of the season.

“I think you have to use the disappointment of being where we are as a driving force to get to the play-offs. If you sit around and mope about it, you can't do anything about it, if you're looking to dust yourselves off and think there's still a chance then we can go for it and believe that we can achieve it.”

The first hurdle in the Dons' way though is a Swindon side who are hunting for their second promotion in as many years and while headline-making Paolo Di Canio may have departed, Potter knows first-hand just how influential new Robins boss Kevin MacDonald is.

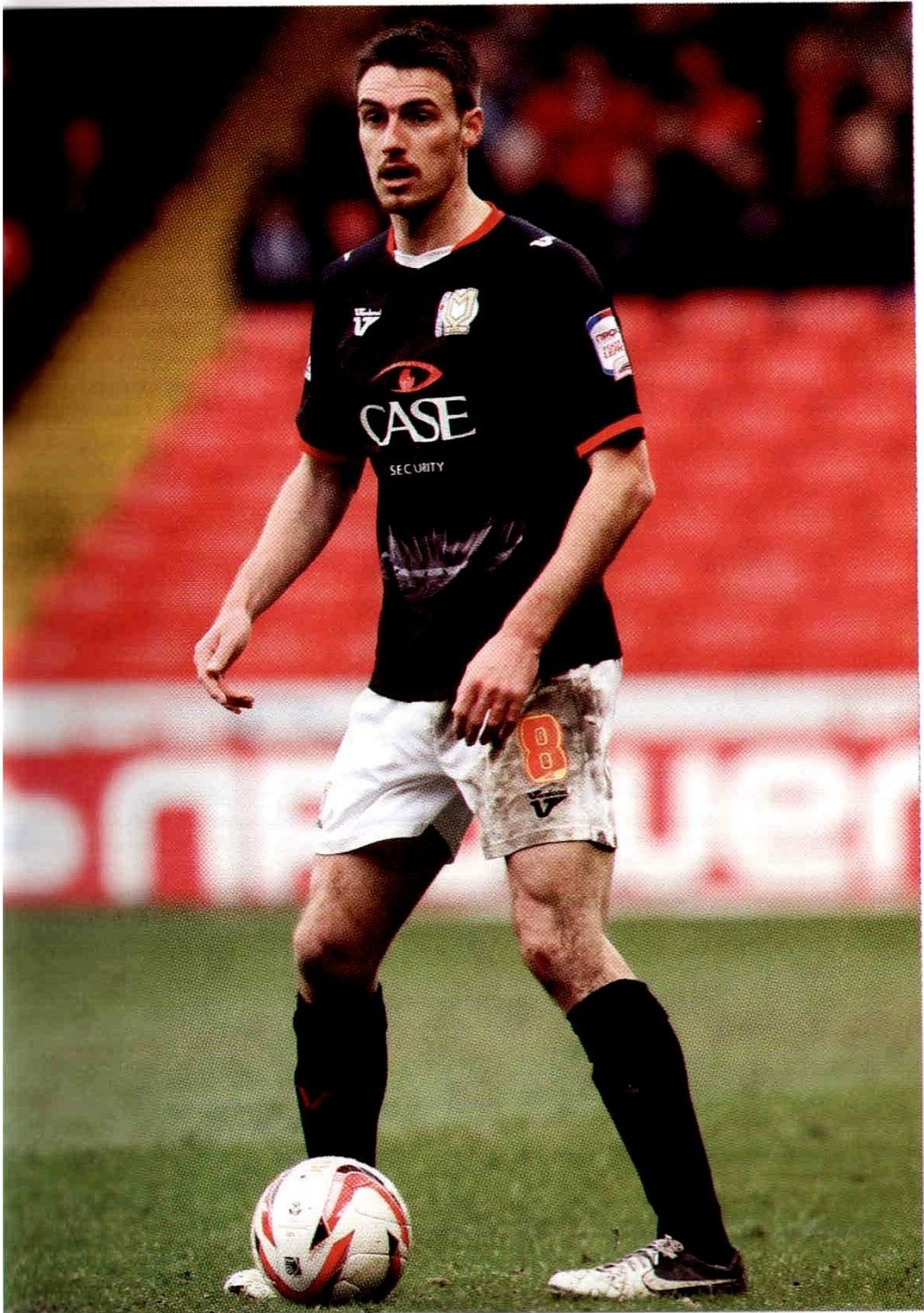
“Swindon have Kevin MacDonald in charge of them, who I had the pleasure of working with at

Ireland. He is a fantastic coach and I am sure he will do really well with Swindon. They have a really good squad with lots of talented players, they have been up and in the mix right the way through the season.

“They beat us earlier in the season I know we had Dean Lewington sent off but it was probably one of the first times this season that we found it really difficult, they put us under a lot of pressure and matched our game plan really well and come out winners that day.

“We know it is going to be a really difficult game.”





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The Dons will be looking to keep the pace going into their last five games with a result tonight against the promotion contenders. An impressive Easter period has put the Dons in the mix for a last minute chance of promotion and defeating Swindon would be another step closer. The Robins have had a mixed form of late picking up several draws and losing against in form Doncaster. Kevin MacDonald's men will be looking to firm up their top six status meaning tonight's match is bound to be a thriller.

The Partnerships team would like to take this opportunity to welcome all supporters here today and pay special mention to our match sponsor Dread Promotional Clothing and Items; information on our sponsor can be found below.

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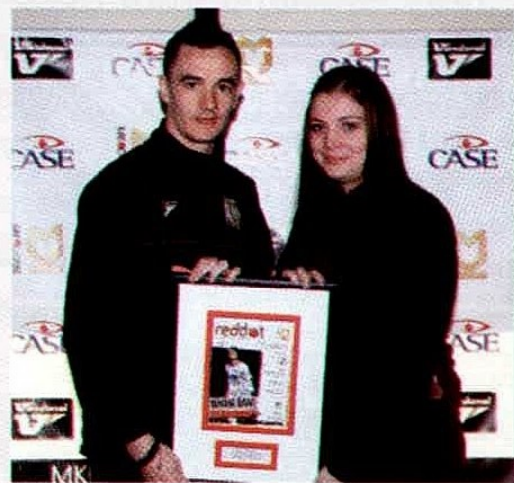
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THE VISITORS

# SWINDON TOWN

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Back in the third tier this season, Swindon Town are now aiming for a second successive promotion

Inactive last weekend due to their scheduled opponents Crewe's winning involvement in the JPT final at Wembley, Swindon Town were left watching as both Doncaster and Bournemouth claimed vital home wins in the race for automatic promotion, and with Yeovil winning at home and Brentford and Sheffield United picking up a tough point each on their travels, the Robins now come into this evening's game knowing that a win is an absolute must if they are to keep their automatic hopes alive, whilst a defeat will make their current grip on the last play-off place not quite so tight as it appeared just a couple of weeks ago.

Two disappointing home draws to Notts County and Oldham followed by a televised loss at Doncaster have seen Kevin MacDonald's team take just two points from their last three games, and speaking after the Rovers loss, new boss MacDonald said: "I felt we deserved a draw, but they had more possession and more chances. We seemed quite content to just try and keep them at bay.

"We have now got to get our heads down and get stuck into the last five games."

Taking his first managerial position at Town after the February departure of

Paulo Di Canio, the former Aston Villa assistant manager inherited a squad that despite strolling to the League Two title last season was then boosted by half a dozen free agent signings ahead of the new season.

Experienced campaigners such as midfielders Tommy Miller and former Don Alan Navarro, winger Gary Roberts and strikers James Collins and Andy Williams ensured that Town hit their League One campaign running, but a transfer embargo placed on the club last November for overspending on wages and transfer fees hampered Di Canio's ability to further work the market, led to the January sale of winger Matt Ritchie to Bournemouth, and the ultimate departure of the feisty Italian.

With the embargo recently lifted, MacDonald was able to bring in three Tottenham youngsters on loan, right back Nathan Byrne and midfielder Massimo Luongo and Dean Parrett, all three starting in the Keepmoat defeat.

With defender Nathan Thompson currently sidelined, Byrne could prove to be a key addition for the games ahead, Town's next one at Sheffield United this coming Saturday looking to be another massive fixture in the promotion race.



## THE CLUB

Forever famed for their 1969 League Cup victory over Arsenal, Swindon are aiming for another taste of top-flight football



Founded in 1879 as Swindon Town Football Club, the team turned professional in 1894, joining the Southern League formed in the same year. Changing their shirt colour to red in 1903 and adopting their 'Robins' nickname, the club reached the FA Cup semi-finals in 1910 before entering the Football League in 1920 as a founding member of Division Three.

Remaining at that level until gaining promotion to the second tier under manager Bert Head in 1963, Town were then relegated two years later before famously beating Arsenal 3-1 in the 1969 League Cup Final and achieving promotion back to the second flight the same season.

Relegated again in 1974, and dropping down to the fourth tier in 1982, Town then won Division Four under Lou Macari in 1986 and promotion again via the play-

offs the following term before then winning the 1990 Second Division play-off final under Ossie Ardiles but then being denied promotion due to financial irregularities.

Eventually reaching the top flight in 1993 under Glenn Hoddle, Town's stay last lasted just one season and then suffered a second successive relegation before taking the third tier title under Steve McMahon in 1996.

Relegated back in 2000, and then becoming the first ex-Premier League team to play in the fourth tier when relegated again in 2006, Town have since been promoted, relegated and promoted again last season after winning the League Two title under Paulo Di Canio.

## THE MANAGER

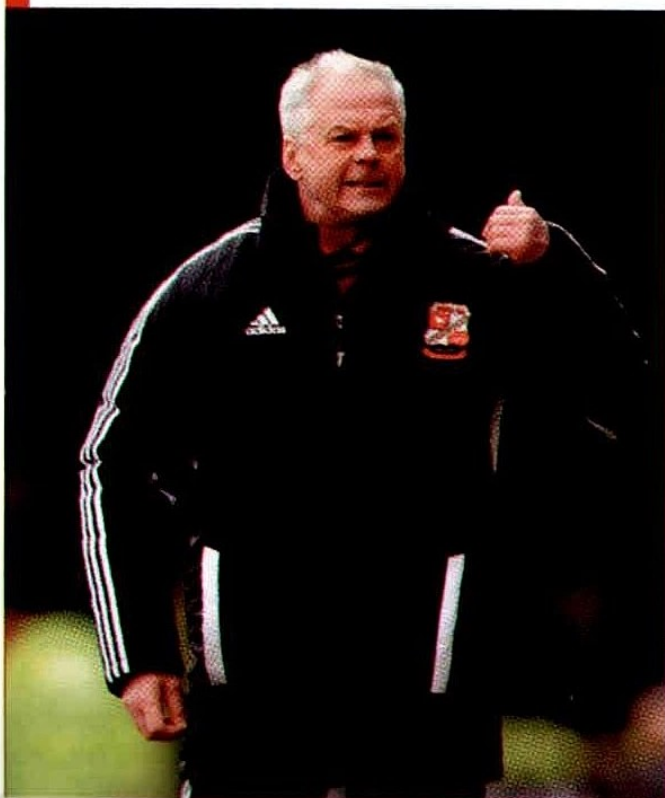
### Kevin MacDonald

Born in Inverness on 22nd November 1960, Kevin played for his local Caley side in the Highland League before being signed by Leicester City in 1976.

Quickly establishing himself as a strong central midfielder with the Foxes, he joined Liverpool for £400,000 in November 1984, helping the Reds to a famous League and Cup double in 1986 before then breaking a leg and upon returning to fitness struggling to reclaim a place in the Anfield starting line-up.

Loaned back to Leicester for a short spell, and also to Glasgow Rangers, he joined Coventry City in 1989, spending two seasons at Highfield Road and having a loan spell with Cardiff before ending his playing career with Walsall in 1993.

Returning to Filbert Street in 1994 as caretaker manager following the departure of Brian Little, he joined the coaching staff at Aston Villa soon after, spending 17 years with the club and having a spell as caretaker manager at the start of the 2010/11 campaign before leaving Villa Park to take his first managerial position when joining Town in February.



## THE PLAYERS

**Wes Foderingham**

Born: Shepherd's Bush 14.01.91

Previous club: Crystal Palace

Date signed: 06.01.12

12/13 FL: 41 games, 0 goals

**GOALKEEPER**

A former Fulham junior, Wes signed a pro deal with the Eagles in August 2010 before then having non-league loans with Bromley and Histon ahead of joining Town on loan in October 2011. Keeping ten clean sheets from a 16-game spell, he then signed a permanent deal with the club in early 2012 stretching to the summer of 2014, being the regular starter at the County Ground since.

**Joe Devera**

Born: Southgate 08.02.87

Previous club: Barnet

Date signed: 01.07.11

12/13 FL: 20+2 games, 0 goals

**DEFENDER**

Joe came up through the ranks at Underhill, making his senior debut in a Football League Trophy loss to the Dons in November 2005, and then going on to score two goals from 171 League starts and six substitute appearances before opting to sign a two-year deal with Town in the summer of 2011. Starting 28 games in last season's League Two title-winning campaign, he is a tall right-sided defender capable of playing either on the flank or in the middle.

**Nathan Thompson**

Born: Chester 09.11.90

Previous club: trainee

Date signed: 01.07.09

12/13 FL: 22+4 games, 0 goals

**DEFENDER**

Nathan is a very determined and quick-tackling right back who came through the youth system at the County Ground to make his League debut in November 2010 against Oldham. Playing two more games that season, and five more last term, he has been much more regularly involved this current campaign.

**Darren Ward**

Born: Harrow 13.09.78

Previous club: Millwall

Date signed: 04.01.13

12/13 FL: 34 games, 2 goals

**DEFENDER**

Darren is an experienced central defender with over 450 League games to his name who started out with Watford before joining Millwall for £500,000 in October 2001. Sold to Crystal Palace for just over double that fee four years later, he joined Wolves in the summer of 2007 for another £500,000 fee, then had loans with Watford and Charlton before returning to The Den on a permanent deal in January 2010, regularly starting for the next two years before signing an 18-month deal with Town in early 2012.

**Aden Flint**

Born: Pinxton 11.07.89

Previous club: Alfreton Town

Date signed: 27.01.11

12/13 FL: 23+1 games, 0 goals

**DEFENDER**

TA former local non-leaguer with his hometown team, Aden is very tall central defender who moved up to the Conference North when joining Alfreton in the summer of 2008, having a loan spell with Matlock the following season before helping the Reds to the play-offs in 2010. Joining Swindon on a two-and-a-half year deal in early 2011, he then returned to North Street on loan to skipper his former team to the title and promotion to the fifth tier before then scoring two goals from 28 starts and four substitute appearances in the Robins' League Two title-winning effort last season.

**Nathan Byrne**

Born: St Albans 05.06.92

On loan from: Tottenham Hotspur

Date signed: 27.03.13

12/13 FL: 12+2 games, 1 goal

**DEFENDER**

Formerly with his hometown City club before joining Spurs in 2010, Nathan is a very skilful right back who after having had loan spells with Brentford in early 2011 and then Bournemouth at the start of last season then had a 12-game loan spell at Crawley earlier this term before recently linking up with Town on loan until the end of the season.

**Jay McEveley**

Born: Liverpool 11.02.85

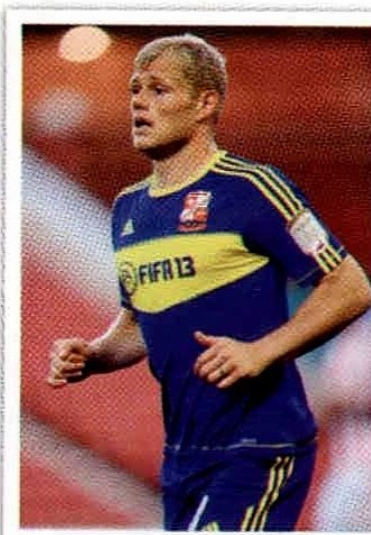
Previous club: Barnsley

Date signed: 01.07.12

12/13 FL: 27+1 games, 0 goals

**DEFENDER**

Capped three times at full level by Scotland, Jay was a youth-teamer at Everton before joining Blackburn, making his League debut in December 2002 and going on to make 17 League starts and one substitute appearance, and have loans with Burnley, Gillingham and Ipswich, before joining Derby County for £600,000 in 2007. Netting four goals from 77 League starts and 15 substitute appearances for the Rams, and having loan spells with Preston and Charlton, he joined the Tykes on a free transfer in the summer of 2010, signing for Swindon last summer after ending the previous term on loan at the County Ground.



## THE PLAYERS

### Troy Archibald-Henville

**Born:** Newham 04.11.88  
**Previous club:** Exeter City  
**Date signed:** 01.07.12  
**12/13 FL:** 3+2 games, 0 goals

#### DEFENDER

Currently sidelined after undergoing knee surgery, Troy is a powerfully-built central defender who made his League debut for the Grecians in January 2009 whilst on loan from White Hart Lane, signing a permanent deal the following year and netting three goals from 109 League starts and six substitute appearances before opting to sign a two-year deal with Town last summer, Exeter receiving an initial £200,000 by way of compensation.

### Simon Ferry

**Born:** Dundee 11.01.88  
**Previous club:** Glasgow Celtic  
**Date signed:** 01.07.11  
**12/13 FL:** 29+10 games, 5 goals

#### MIDFIELDER

Simon joined Town on loan in August 2010 after having been unable to get a senior start at Celtic Park, and after helping Danny Wilson's team making the play-off final that term signed a permanent three-year deal the following summer. A very busy central midfielder, he is closing in on his 150th League game for the club.



### Alan McCormack

**Born:** Dublin 10.01.84  
**Previous club:** Charlton Athletic  
**Date signed:** 01.07.11  
**12/13 FL:** 33+2 games, 0 goals

#### MIDFIELDER

A former Preston trainee, Alan made a dozen senior appearances for the Lilywhites, and had loans with Leyton Orient, Southend, Motherwell and Southend again before joining the Shrimpers on a permanent deal in January 2007. Moving on to The Valley in the summer of 2010, he joined Town a year later, showing his versatility last season by playing a number of games as a central defender as opposed to his normal central midfield berth.

### Massimo Luongo

**Born:** Sydney, Australia 25.09.92  
**On loan from:** Tottenham Hotspur  
**Date signed:** 27.03.13  
**12/13 FL:** 8+3 games, 0 goals

#### MIDFIELDER

An Australian Under-20 international, Massimo played local Sydney football before joining Tottenham in January 2011 after impressing on trial, making his senior debut in a Carling Cup game at Stoke the following November. Loaned out to Ipswich at the start of this season, making six starts and three substitute appearances, he recently joined Town on loan until the end of the season.

### Tommy Miller

**Born:** Easington 08.01.79  
**Previous club:** Huddersfield Town  
**Date signed:** 01.07.12  
**12/13 FL:** 28+5 games, 1 goal

#### MIDFIELDER

Signed on a one-year deal last summer after having helped Huddersfield to promotion last season and then been released by the club, Tommy is an experienced right-footed midfielder who netted 35 goals from 141 games for Hartlepool before joining Ipswich for £750,000 in the summer of 2001. Moving back to the north east with Sunderland four years later, he then returned to Portman Road in July 2007, joining Sheffield Wednesday on a free transfer in the summer of 2009 and then the Terriers two years later.



### Alan Navarro

**Born:** Liverpool 31.05.81  
**Previous club:** Brighton & HA  
**Date signed:** 01.07.12  
**12/13 FL:** 11+5 games, 0 goals

#### MIDFIELDER

Recently returning to action after having missed four months of the campaign through injury, Alan is a former Liverpool trainee who after making his League debut when on loan with Crewe then had spells with Tranmere, suffering badly with injuries whilst at Prenton Park, then Accrington and Macclesfield before joining the Dons in the summer of 2007. Winning League 2 and JPT winners' medals in his first season in MK, he linked up with the Brighton in the summer of 2009, helping them into the Championship before being released at the end of last season and then signing a two-year deal with Town.

### Gary Roberts

**Born:** Chester 18.03.84  
**Previous club:** Huddersfield Town  
**Date signed:** 01.07.12  
**12/13 FL:** 24+10 games, 3 goals

#### MIDFIELDER

Gary is a fast-raiding winger capable of playing on either flank who started out with Crewe, making four League appearances and then playing in the Welsh League before joining Accrington Stanley in March 2005. Joining Ipswich for a six-figure fee in January 2007, he moved on to Huddersfield in the summer of 2008, netting 31 goals from 147 League starts and 17 substitute appearances before being released at the end of last season and then signing a two-year deal with the Town.

### Dean Parrett

**Born:** Hampstead 16.11.91  
**On loan from:** Tottenham Hotspur  
**Date signed:** 27.03.13  
**12/13 FL:** 2 games, 0 goals

#### FORWARD

Dean is an England Under-20 international midfielder who after joining the Tottenham Academy from QPR in 2007 has made four Europa League appearances for the White Hart Lane outfit, and also had loan spells with Aldershot, Plymouth, Charlton and Yeovil, before recently linking up with Town on loan until the end of the season.

### Luke Rooney

**Born:** Bermondsey 28.12.90  
**Previous club:** Gillingham  
**Date signed:** 18.01.12  
**12/13 FL:** 6+7 games, 0 goals

#### MIDFIELDER

Luke came through the ranks with the Gills, and after gaining loan experience at Lewes then made a scoring League debut against Exeter in September 2009. Twice loaned to Eastbourne in 2010, he then became a regular member of the Priestfield matchday squad before joining Town on a two-and-a-half year deal for an undisclosed fee in early 2012, having loans with both Burton and Rotherham earlier this season before recently returning to the first-team fold at the County Ground.

### Andy Williams

**Born:** Hereford 14.08.86  
**Previous club:** Yeovil Town  
**Date signed:** 01.07.12  
**12/13 FL:** 34+1 games, 11 goals

#### FORWARD

Opting to sign a two-year deal with Town last summer, Andy is a pacy right-sided attacker who started out with his hometown Bulls, scoring in their 2006 Conference play-off final win over Halifax Town, before joining Bristol Rovers in July 2007. Returning to Edgar Street on loan for the 2008/09 campaign, he then had a season back at Rovers in 2009/10 before opting to sign a two-year deal offered by the Glovers that summer, leading their scoring chart with 16 goals last season before then turning down a new contract.

### Raffaele DeVita

**Born:** Rome 23.09.87  
**Previous club:** Livingston  
**Date signed:** 01.07.11  
**12/13 FL:** 21+11 games, 8 goals

#### FORWARD

A former Blackburn Rovers youngster who rose to reserve team level at Ewood Park, Raffaele joined Livi in the summer of 2008 after impressing on trial, netting 21 goals from 40 League starts and 27 substitute appearances over the next three seasons in helping them to successive title wins in 2010 and 2011. Opting to join Town later that summer, he is a pacy striker who mainly played on the flanks in last season's title-winning campaign.

### James Collins

**Born:** Coventry 01.12.90  
**Previous club:** Shrewsbury Town  
**Date signed:** 01.07.12  
**12/13 FL:** 25+15 games, 13 goals

#### FORWARD

James is a former Aston Villa trainee who after six League goals in two loan spells with Darlington and Burton Albion then left Villa Park in January 2011 with a club senior appearance to his name to join the Shrews on an 18-month deal. Top scoring with 14 goals in their promotion-winning team of last season, he opted to join Town last summer, top scoring again so far this current term.

### Adam Rooney

**Born:** Dublin 21.04.88  
**On loan from:** Birmingham City  
**Date signed:** 31.08.12  
**12/13 FL:** 8+16 games, 7 goals

#### FORWARD

Signed on a season-long loan from the Blues last August, Adam joined Stoke from Irish junior football in 2005, netting four goals from two League starts and 13 substitute appearances for the Potters and having loans with Yeovil, Chesterfield and Bury before joining Inverness Caledonian Thistle for £50,000 in the summer of 2008. Then scoring 44 goals in three seasons with Caley, he opted to move to St Andrew's at the end of his contract, netting four goals from six Championship starts and 12 substitute appearances last season before linking up with Town.

### RECORD 2012/13

	P	W	D	L	F	A
League	41	18	14	9	64	31
Cup	6	3	0	3	12	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>41</b>

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### COVENTRY (A)

Won 2-1



### WALSALL (H)

Drew 2-2



### BRENTFORD (A)

Lost 2-1



### YEovil (A)

Won 2-0



### NOTTS COUNTY (H)

Drew 0-0



### OLDHAM (H)

Drew 1-1

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Monday 1st April 2013

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## MANAGERIAL RECORDS

**Karl Robinson**

Played 132 Won 61 Drawn 34 Lost 37  
 Goals For 207 Against 149  
 Av Pts/game 1.64  
 Biggest Win(s) MK Dons 5 Oldham 0  
 (19/02/2012). Biggest Loss(es)  
 MK Dons 4 MK Dons 1 (21/08/2010).

**Kevin MacDonald**

Played 7 Won 2 Drawn 3 Lost 2 For 8  
 Against 7  
 Av Pts/game 1.29  
 Biggest Win(s) Yeovil 0 Swindon 2  
 (19/03/2013). Biggest Loss(es)  
 Brentford 2 Swindon 1 (12/03/2013).

## MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played... 0 Karl Robinson ..... 0 Kevin MacDonald ..... 0  
 Goals ... 0 Goals 0 Goals 0

**Player with the most...**

**shots**  
 Dean Bowditch 59

**shots on target**  
 Ryan Lowe 31

**shots off target**  
 Dean Bowditch 33

**assists**  
 Dean Bowditch 11

**crosses**  
 Dean Bowditch 64

**fouls**  
 Darren Potter 43

**free-kicks-won**  
 Darren Potter 53



### GAMES SINCE

0	a win	3
0	a home win	6
0	an away win	1
2	a defeat	0
2	a home defeat	3
1	an away defeat	0
7	a score draw	1
5	a no score draw	2
2	conceding a goal	0
0	scoring a goal	1
2	conceding > 1	4
0	scoring > 1	3
0	keeping a clean sheet	2
5	falling to score	0
0	back to back wins	16
12	back to back defeats	21
0	gaining a point	1
2	losing a point	0
0	win by > one	3
10	loss by > one	26

**Player with the most...**

**shots**  
 Andy Williams 81

**shots on target**  
 Andy Williams 51

**shots off target**  
 James Collins 33

**assists**  
 Matt Ritchie 9

**crosses**  
 Matt Ritchie 57

**fouls**  
 Alan McCormack 44

**free-kicks-won**  
 Andy Williams 66

## SHARP SHOOTERS

MK Dons	FL Cup	Tot	Swindon	FL Cup	Tot		
Dean Bowditch	8	4	12	James Collins	13	3	16
Ryan Lowe	9	1	10	Andy Williams	11	1	12
Mike Chadwick	6	2	8	Matt Ritchie	9	0	9

## TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played... 21 MK Dons wins.....9 Swindon wins .....7  
 Goals .....5 Goals 27 (1.3 per game) Goals 22 (1.0 per game)  
 F.O's .....2 Times failed to score 4 Times failed to score 7

**Biggest League win at MK Dons for each team:**

16/11/1993 MK Dons 3-0 Swindon  
 04/08/2008 MK Dons 1-2 Swindon

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## LEAGUE STATS



10	Position	5
40	Played	41
16	Won	18
12	Drawn	14
12	Lost	9
56	Goals For	64
42	Goals Against	31
60	Points	68



### Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
9	4	7	1	7	6	6	10

### Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
7	8	5	17	11	8	3	8

### Record When Scoring First

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
16	4	4	8	17	4	2	6

### Record When Conceding First

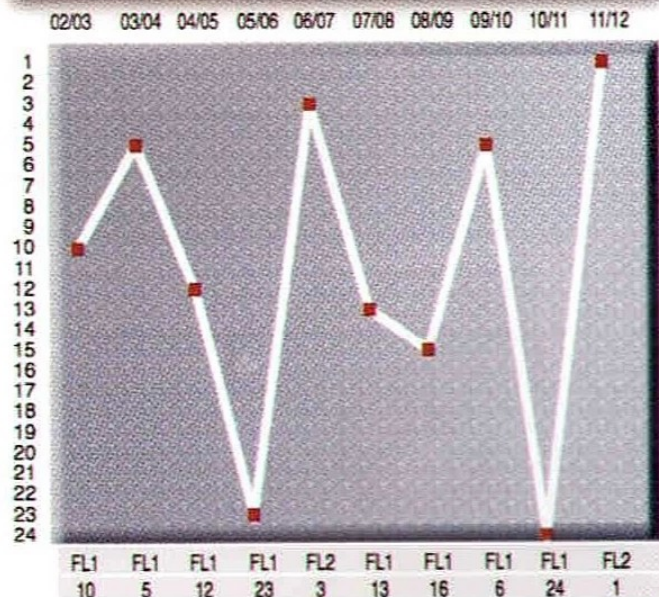
W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
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### Match Scores

**Wins:** 1-0[6], 2-0[4], 2-1[1], 3-0[3], 4-1[1], 5-1[1], **Losses:** 0-1[3], 0-2[1], 0-3[1], 1-2[2], 1-3[1], 2-3[3], 2-4[1], **Draws:** 0-0[3], 1-1[7], 2-2[2]

**Wins:** 1-0[4], 2-0[4], 2-1[2], 3-0[1], 3-1[1], 4-0[3], 4-1[1], 5-0[2], **Losses:** 0-1[6], 1-2[2], 1-4[1], **Draws:** 0-0[4], 1-1[7], 2-2[3]

## SWINDON - TEN SEASON RECORD



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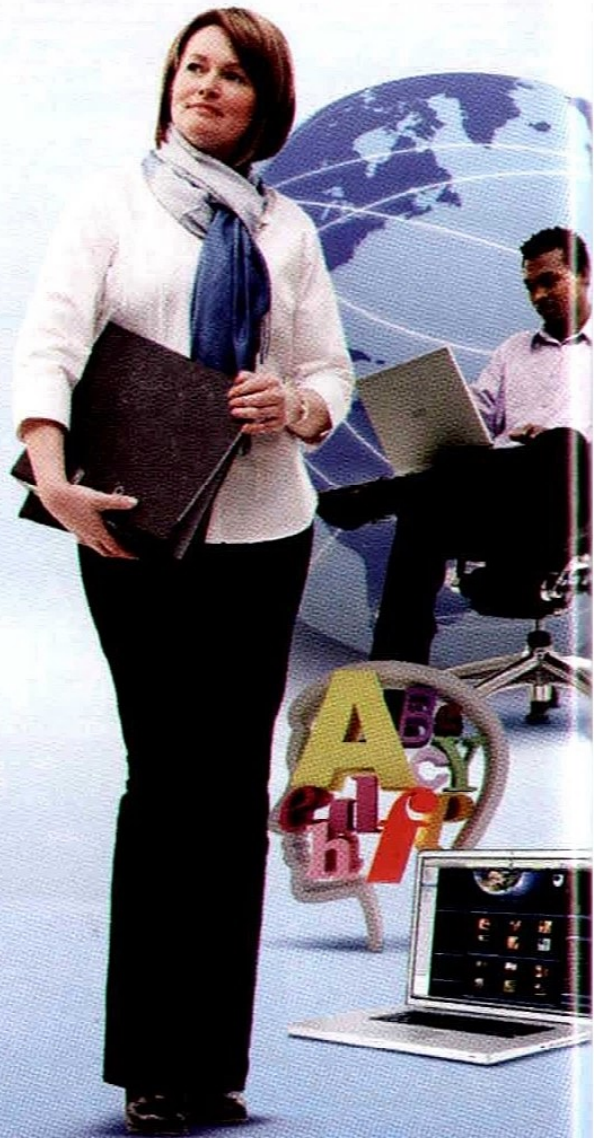
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# SWINDON TOWN

# CLASSIC CAMPAIGNS



Football historian **LEIGH EDWARDS** selects five post-war Swindon 'Classic Campaigns'.

## 1962/63

Swindon Town won promotion to the Second Division for the first time in 1962/63. Bert Head's young side won just one of their first six games, then top scorer Ernie Hunt netted a hat-trick in a 5-1 victory over Brighton. Cliff Jackson scored three times in a 4-3 win at Millwall and Jack Smith did likewise in a 5-0 victory over QPR as Swindon overcame the 'Big Freeze' to maintain their promotion challenge. They hammered Colchester 6-1 and clinched promotion with a 1-0 win at home to Shrewsbury. Keith Morgan and John Trollope were ever-present, while other stars included Mike Summerbee and Bobby Woodruff.

## 1968/69

Don Rogers starred as Swindon Town achieved an epic League Cup and promotion 'double' in 1968/69. Early pace-setters in the Third Division, they lost 1-0 at home to Watford in the title 'decider' watched by 28,898 and finished runners-up on goal average. Swindon defeated Torquay 2-1, Bradford City 4-3, Blackburn 1-0, Coventry 3-0, Derby 1-0 and Burnley 3-2 in the League Cup before beating Arsenal 3-1 after extra-time in the Wembley final: Peter Downsborough, Rod Thomas, John Trollope, Joe Butler, Frank Burrows, Stan Harland, Don Heath, Roger Smart, John Smith (Willie Penman), Peter Noble, Don Rogers.

## 1985/86

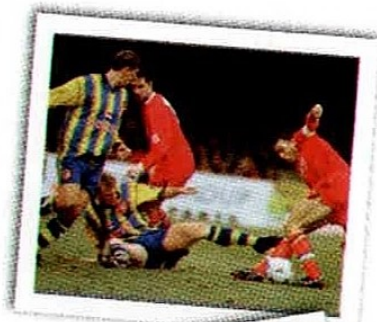
Swindon Town stormed to the Fourth Division title with a record 102 points in 1985/86. Lou Macari's side made a poor start in the League but defeated Sunderland and Sheffield Wednesday en route to the Milk Cup fourth round. Kenny Allen arrived from Torquay and Dave Bamber from Portsmouth as Swindon soared to the top of the table with 14 wins in 16 matches. They set a club record of 13 consecutive home victories with a 3-1 win over Burnley and clinched the title with a 1-1 draw at Mansfield. Charlie Henry and Colin Gordon scored 35 goals between them, while skipper Colin Calderwood was ever-present.

## 1992/93

Player-manager Glenn Hoddle was a key figure in Swindon Town's 1992/93 First Division play-off final success. Swindon were early pace-setters and new signing Craig Maskell grabbed a hat-trick in a 4-1 win over Cambridge United. They went second after a 5-1 demolition of Notts County, then overcame a lean spell with Ross MacLaren's return inspiring a run of seven victories in nine games. Dave Mitchell netted three times in a 6-4 win at Birmingham and Swindon qualified for the play-offs in fifth position. They defeated Tranmere 5-4 on aggregate, then gained a thrilling 4-3 win over Leicester in the Wembley final.

## 1995/96

Swindon Town stormed to the Second Division title under player-boss Steve McMahon in 1995/96. They had plummeted from the Premiership to Second Division and newcomers included Wayne Allison, Steve Finney and Mark Seagraves. Swindon were early leaders, winning seven of their first nine games, and Kevin Horlock netted a hat-trick in a 4-1 victory at Bristol Rovers. They remained in pole position and took Southampton to an FA Cup fifth round replay. Ian Culverhouse and Mark Robinson were ever-present, while leading scorer Wayne Allison and Shaun Taylor also starred as they won the title by nine points.



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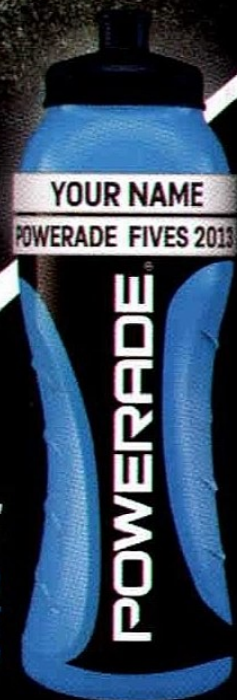
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## Player



A bemused Ryan Lowe was as surprised as anyone after Saturday's goalless draw with Crawley Town at stadiummk.

The experienced striker, who has scored 10 goals in his debut season for the Dons, found the net on three occasions last weekend but each time his finishes were pulled back for offside by referee Darren Bond.

Lowe's 'unlucky' afternoon was then summed up when his close-range strike forced arguably one of the greatest saves ever witnessed at stadiummk from Reds' keeper Paul Jones and the 34-year-old admitted after the match that it just 'wasn't meant to be' for the Dons, who missed the opportunity to make serious ground on the play-offs.

He told MK Dons Player: "It wasn't our day. I thought we were in control for most of the game and we dominated. We had chances but didn't take them, so it was almost a carbon copy of what happened down at their place earlier in the year.

Personally, I don't think I've ever had three goals called back for offside before. Looking back at them, I can see why the linesman's given the first one but I was definitely onside for the second one. There's nothing you can do about it now, though, but it is tough to take.

Their keeper's made an outstanding save as well the first half. Semy's cross in was a bit behind me but I've managed to get a good connection on it and as I'm falling to the ground I'm just waiting for it to hit the back of the net. I looked up, though, and everyone was clapping the keeper and I couldn't believe it. I watched it back at half-time and it's a fantastic stop.

I could have been standing here after the game with the matchball and we would have



Ryan Lowe

won the game but that's football. It's unfortunate but we've got to keep going and we must keep sticking in there."

Saturday's draw, therefore, means the Dons come into tonight's match seven points adrift of their opponents Swindon Town, who occupy that targeted 6th spot.

The Robins are currently in the driving seat to claim the final play-off position come the end of the season and Lowe revealed that nothing less than a win will do this evening, if the men from MK1 want to continue their search for promotion.

"Every game is a big one for us now until the end of the season and we'll give it everything until it's mathematically impossible for us to achieve our aims. We'll keep pushing, we'll keep working hard and we've got a very important game coming up against Swindon Town.

"We need to beat them. We'll look at it as a cup final because we need to take three points off them, nothing less. We only have four games left to play after that and if we fail to win then it will make our job very hard.

"It's going to be an interesting game and it's going to be tough but we've got faith and belief in ourselves as a squad and we'll go into it confident of taking three points."

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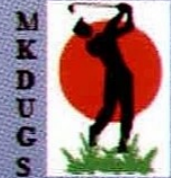


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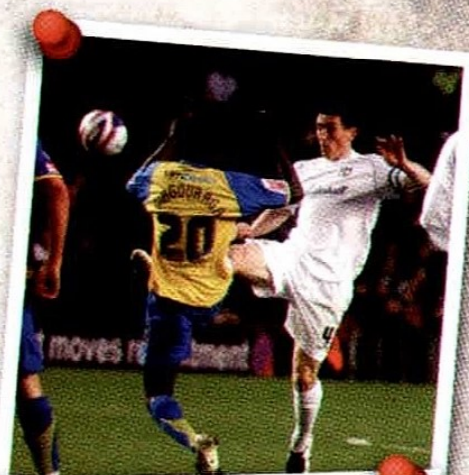
Gueret, Stirling, O'Hanlon, Swailes, Lewington, Miles (Gallen 87), Andrews, Navarro, Dyer, Wilbraham, Johnson (Wright 59).

**Subs Not Used:** Abbey, Regan, Hadfield.

**Hereford:**

Brown, McClenahan, Broadhurst, Beckwith, Rose, Smith, Easton, Diagouraga, Johnson, Guinan (Taylor 79), Hooper (Robinson 59).

**Subs Not Used:** Eason, Collins, Gwynne.



## FIVE TO TACKLE

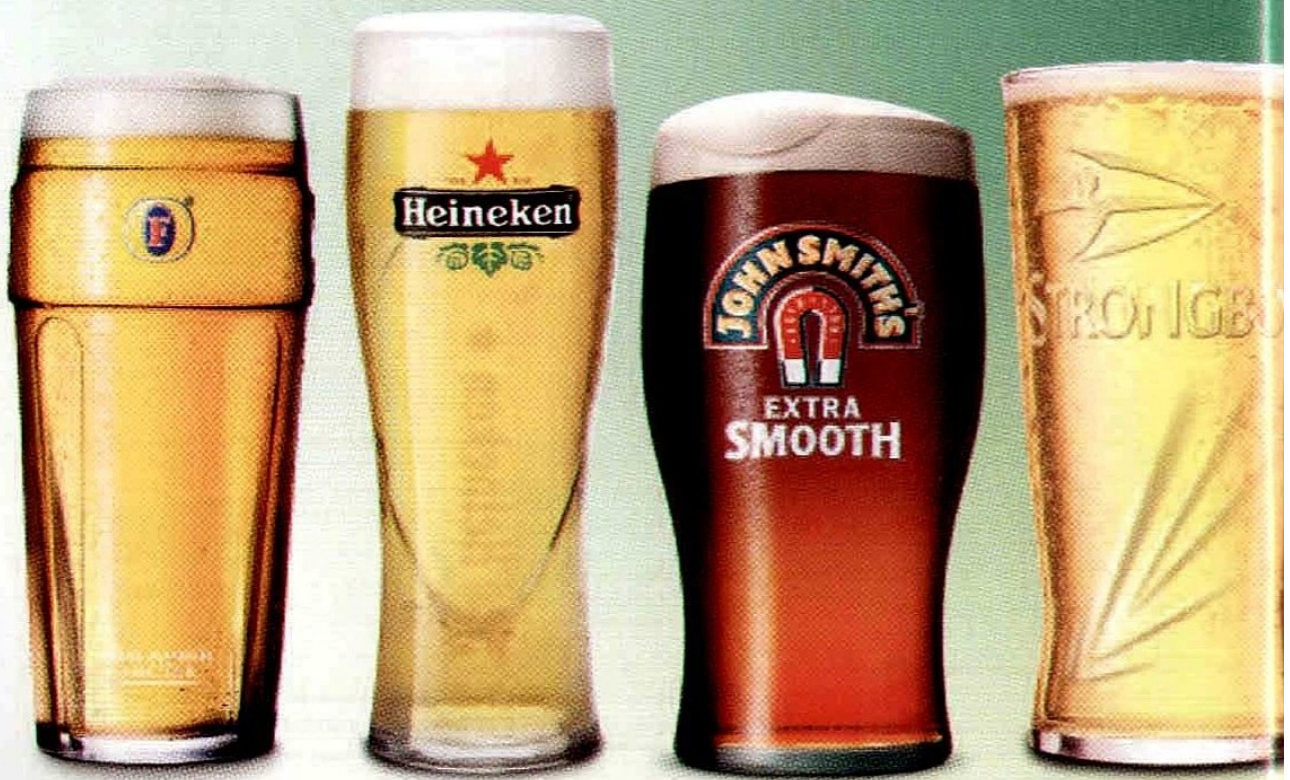
- 1 The Dons and the Bulls played out a goalless stalemate in this game, but how many other 0-0 draws did the men from MK have on their League record for 2007/08?
- 2 Mark Wright appeared off the bench for the Dons in the game and went on to top the Club's League scoring chart for the 2007/08 campaign with 12, 13 or 14 goals?
- 3 Was the official attendance of the game 10,428, 11,428 or 12,428?
- 4 Former Dons loanee Trent McClenahan played for the Bulls in the game, but which club was he with when he joined the men from MK on loan?
- 5 Celtic striker Gary Hooper played for the Bulls in the game and at the time was on loan at Edgar Street from which club?



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## SHARP SHOOTERS

Player	Team	Lge	Cup	Ttl
Paddy Madden	Yeovil	22	0	22
Leon Clarke	Coventry	19	2	21
Clayton Donaldson	Brentford	17	4	21
Will Grigg	Walsall	18	1	19
Mehmet Topal	Crewe	12	4	16
James Collins	Swindon	13	3	16
Brett Pitman	Bournemouth	15	0	15
Joe Baxter	Oldham	12	2	14
Kevin Lisbie	Leyton Orient	14	0	14

## WHERE TO SEE GOALS (By Ground)

Ground	Home Team	M	Gls	G/Mt
Burton Park	Carlisle	21	71	3.38
Glanford Park	Scunthorpe	21	63	3.00
Hanks' Stadium	Walsall	21	63	3.00
Broadfield Stadium	Crawley Tn	20	54	2.70
Dean Court	Bournemouth	21	56	2.67
The Lamex Stadium	Stevenage	21	56	2.67
stadium:mk	MK Dons	20	53	2.65
Huish Park	Yeovil	21	54	2.57
WFC Stadium	Colchester	20	51	2.55
Proton Arena	Coventry	21	53	2.52
Griffin Park	Brentford	21	53	2.52
Fratton Park	Portsmouth	21	51	2.43
Prenton Park	Tranmere	21	51	2.43
County Ground	Swindon	21	51	2.43
Ogg Lane	Bury	20	48	2.40
Meadow Lane	Notts County	21	50	2.38
Deepdale	Preston	20	47	2.35
Greenhous Meadow	Shrewsbury	20	47	2.35
Warrall Lane	Sheff Utd	19	44	2.32
Keepmoat Stadium	Doncaster	20	45	2.25
Matchroom Stadium	Leyton O	21	47	2.24
Boundary Park	Oldham	20	44	2.20
The Alexandra Stad	Crewe	19	40	2.11
Victoria Park	Hartlepool	21	42	2.00

## TEAM LEADERS

Team with the most..  
**shots on target** 308 Coventry. **shots off target** 279 Brentford. **corners** 306 Swindon. **hit woodwork** 17 Milton Keynes Dons. **offsides** 151 Leyton Orient.  
**goals** 510 Preston. **yellow cards** 76 Oldham. **red cards** 6 Milton Keynes Dons.

## PLAYER POWER

Player with the most..  
**Shots** 111 Jamie Paterson (Walsall). **Shots on target** 61 Jamie Paterson (Walsall). **Shots off target** 53 Clayton Donaldson (Brentford). **Assists** 20 David Cotterill (Doncaster). **Crosses** 174 Alan Judge (Notts County). **Offsides** 50 Izale McLeod (Milton Keynes Dons). **Fouls** 73 Marvin Morgan (Shrewsbury). **Free-kicks won** 98 Anthony Grant (Stevenage).

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**2012/13 SEASON**


## GOAL COUNTER 1234

**RIGHT FOOT** 686 goals

**LEFT FOOT** 283 goals

**HEADERS** 237 goals


Own goals 26 (2.1%), Other body part 2 (0.2%)

## QUICK-FIRE GOALS

**From the start of a match**  
 Nicky Wroe (Scunthorpe vs Preston) 0:28

**By a substitute after coming on**  
 Evan Horwood (Crewe vs Hartlepool) 0:39

## DISCIPLINARY



2.8 cards per match      0.1 cards per match

## QUICK-FIRE CARDS

**From the start of a match**  
 Gavin Williams (Yeovil vs Swindon) 0:29

**By a substitute after coming on**  
 Gavin Massey (Colchester vs Bury) 1:02

## SUB TOTALS

**Subs used** ..... 2483

**Offsides** ..... 2577

**Corners** ..... 5216

**Shots Off Target** ..... 5198

## BEAT THE TRAFFIC

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

**1 9 0**

## RESULTS

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

0-0	33
0-1	42
0-2	28
0-3	7
0-4	3
0-5	1
1-0	57
1-1	64
1-2	52
1-3	16
1-4	5
1-5	1
2-0	35
2-1	32
2-2	34
2-3	7
2-4	2
2-5	1
3-0	19
3-1	20
3-2	6
3-3	3
3-4	-
3-5	-
4-0	6
4-1	10
4-2	1
4-3	-
4-4	-
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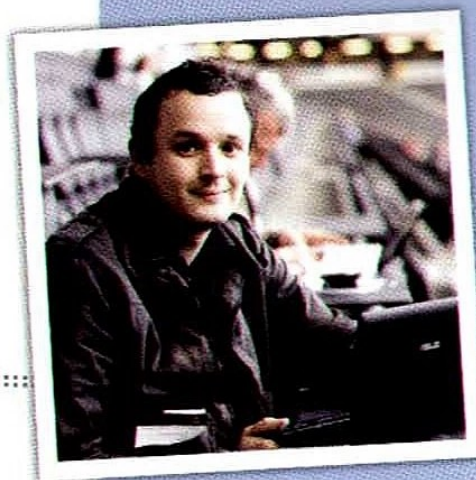
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# IN THE NEWS!

with Dan Palmer



Remember the day when I realised that I probably wouldn't make it in football management.

A family friend had asked me to guide a group of kids in a local six-a-side tournament and we'd successfully negotiated our way through the group stages.

In the quarter final it finished level and nothing could separate the two teams after extra time either.

The rules of the competition stated that neither extra period with golden goal rules would be played but that too came and went without a goal so everyone got ready for penalties.

Mysteriously, a shootout never took place although as a random rule that everyone who missed meant that yet more extra time would be contested.

At this time, whoever got the first corner would advance to the semi-finals.

I'd never heard of a golden corner rule before and was slightly perplexed, and even more so when we were knocked out about two seconds after kick-off.

One of their boys attempted a pot shot and it took a wicked deflection off one of my player's legs, before spinning out to play just the wrong side of the corner flag.

It seemed a cruel way for my dreams of becoming a manager to go up in smoke and my team were gutted.

The night before I'd spent ages on my tactics and all that work had been for

nothing – it was clear that I wouldn't be able to hack this business.

Instead, I reignited an unhealthy obsession with the Football Manager games.

As many of you will know FM has the ability to take over your life, even to the point where you find yourself putting a suit on for a cup final.

Shortly after the golden corner farce I somehow guided Scotland to the brink of glory in the World Cup, but was beaten by an 89th minute Oliver Bierhoff goal.

I was gutted once again as I realised that even electronically, football can be cruel, so I did the natural thing of turning the computer off and playing the game again.

Real football managers don't have to put up with golden corners and there's also no chance of an annoyed girlfriend erasing their World Cup winning Scotland side from history after working out how to delete a game.

But the real pressure they face must be phenomenal – the hopes of thousands of people hanging on their every decision and the very real possibility of getting sacked for not doing too much wrong.

I respect everyone who sits in a dugout and gives it a go at the top level. If there's a bad result, they can't unplug and start again.

'The real pressure they face must be phenomenal'

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# THE DAY I...

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### GEORGE BALDOCK



In the 2010/11 season the team had secured a place in the play-offs so for the final game of the regular season the Gaffer decided to rest a few players and give some of the younger place a chance to impress away at Oldham.

He named the team early in the week on the website and spent a lot of time talking to all the players about what was expected and working in training on a lot of things. There was no pressure on the team, the sun was out, the fans were in a party mood and it was a really enjoyable atmosphere to play football in.

I started in midfield with Adam Clayton and we felt really comfortable in the game and Angelo Balanta put us in front, but Oldham equalised and to be fair to them in was a great strike about five minutes later.

Keanu Marsh-Brown put us back in front early in the second half, I

remember it had a bit of a lucky deflection but from there onwards we were in control.

I spent a lot of time battling with Paul Dickov - it was his last game before retirement - I managed to nick a ball in front of him but he grabbed me by the neck and threw me down and thankfully I got a free-kick because it was just outside our own box. I'll always remember that moment, it was a good introduction into the physicality of the League and I had a slight war wound on my neck to show for it.

With about 20 minutes to go the manager made a couple of changes and Sam came on, it was the first time we had played in a professional team together and it was a nice moment for my parents. They made the trip probably knowing we would both be on the pitch together at some point and I'm sure it was a proud moment for them but at the time I didn't really think too much about it.

At the end of the game we had six players on the pitch who had come through the Academy system so we all had our photo taken as a memory of the day. It was a nice moment for the Academy and us as players; it

showed everyone's hard work had paid off.

My overriding memory of the day was after the game in the dressing rooms, there was such a good feeling amongst the players. I remember John Gorman came over to hug me and congratulate me. He spent a lot of time working with me that season so it was a nice moment to share with him. I made sure all the players signed my shirt so I have that as a memento, I keep meaning to get it framed but I haven't got round to it yet.



# GROUP TICKET REWARDS



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Tonight we welcome our latest Junior GTR Member group and our first from foreign shores as The Greater Atlanta Christian School join us for this crucial game this evening. They come to us this evening all the way from Norcross in Atlanta, Georgia in the USA and will be manning the flags before kick off and five students will be trying their luck in the MK Citizen Mayor's Half Time Challenge. They are in the UK with Global Image Sports, a company that organises elite soccer trips and camps in the USA as well as trips to the UK. This is one of several visits to the UK that The Greater Atlanta Christian School has undertaken and were actually the first group to come to the UK with Global Image Sports several years ago. They are massive football fans and we hope they enjoy their time in England and of course, tonight's game.

## GTR Points Update

As we approach the end of the season, here is an update on the latest points leaders in the Junior GTR and GTR4B Schemes. Pulford Pirates continue to lead the way by some considerable distance in the Junior Scheme having now amassed a spectacular 1757 points. This total was boosted recently with a single group booking on 252 people for the recent game with Brentford. Next we have Tattenhoe FC who are approaching the 1000 point mark with their 926 points, and then it's Water Eaton Youth who are not too far behind on 907 points. A fantastic achievement by them considering they only joined the Scheme at the beginning of last season. And another relatively recent newcomer,

Linslade Leos, sits in fourth place with their total of 562 points. In the GTR4B Scheme, Seat Operations are still the clear points leaders with their 1093 points. Newly positioned in second place it's Santander with 765 points. They have recently overtaken the 621 points haul of Home Retail Group and then it's The Key Workers who are right behind them with 602 points.

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If you would like to sign your organisation up to the Group Ticket Rewards Scheme we welcome all types of junior organisations and businesses. Once registered, your organisation can benefit from discounted ticket prices for home league games for group bookings of 20 or more with prices at just £15 for adults, £3 for Under 18's, £10 for Over 65's, Under 21's for £7.50 and Under 7's are FREE when accompanied by an adult. Junior member groups can also benefit from a free adult ticket for every 10 Under 18 tickets purchased and every single ticket issued to your group will earn a reward point. These points can be redeemed against rewards including signed merchandise and player visits. For further details and information, contact Tony Hawkins on 01908 622970 or email [groupticketing@mkdons.com](mailto:groupticketing@mkdons.com). You can also view the GTR section at [www.mkdons.com](http://www.mkdons.com) by clicking on "Tickets" and selecting Group Ticket Rewards from the drop down menu. In



this section you can find out everything you need to know about GTR including details of the GTR VIP Package which is ideal for birthday parties and includes a private room for your party, food and a stadium tour, and the SET Matchday Package which includes a training session with our coaches from the Sport & Education Trust as well as a stadium tour.

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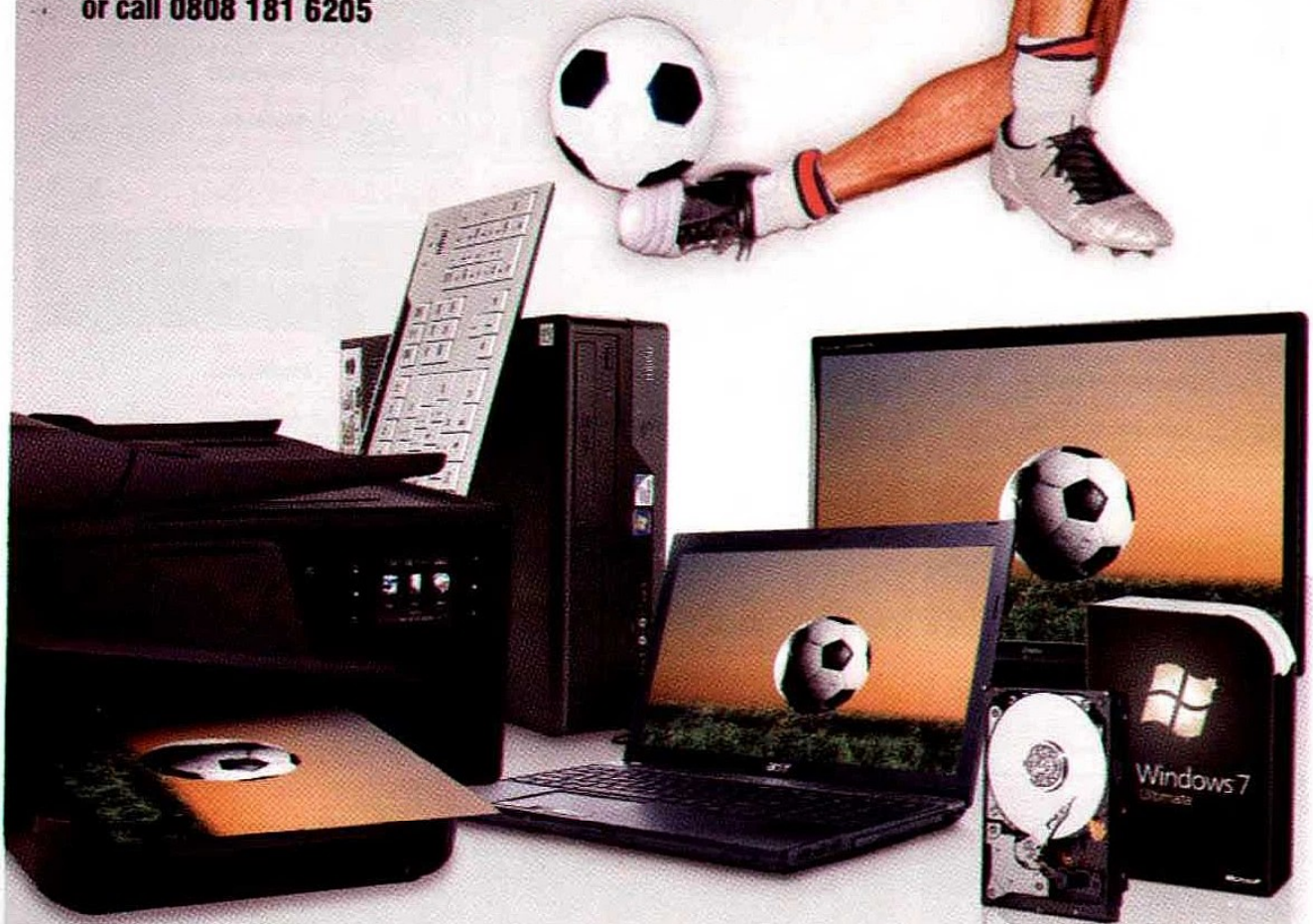
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# THE EX FILES

This evening's look at former MK Dons features two players currently enjoying differing fortunes at their respective clubs.



Keith Andrews made his League debut for Wolves in March 2000 and after a loan with Oxford United then became a starter at Molineux before falling down the pecking order and having loans with Stoke City and Walsall. Then playing a further 20 games back with Wolves in 2004/05, he joined Hull City on a free transfer that summer, playing 26 games in his first season with the Tigers, then joining the Dons in August 2006, helping Martin Allen's team into the play offs that season before leading them under his former Molineux teammate Paul Ince to a League 2 and JPT double in 2008.

Following Ince to Blackburn later that year after having scored 18 goals from 76 League starts and one substitute appearance for the Dons, he soon became a regular starter for both club and the Republic of Ireland, but then fell out of favour at Wood Park and after being loaned out to Ipswich Town early last season returned to Rovers before joining West Bromwich Albion on a free transfer in late January 2012.

Released by the Baggies at the end of last season, he then signed a three-year deal with Bolton last summer, regularly starting for the

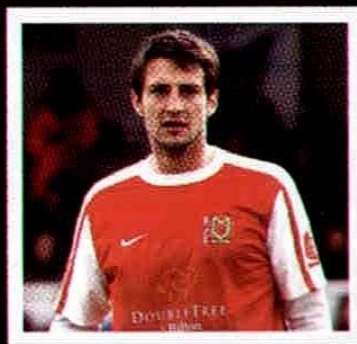
Trotters before being sidelined with thigh and Achilles injuries since mid-January.

Luke Howell began his career with Gillingham and after a loan spell with Welling United made his League debut for the Gills as a substitute in their 1-0 home loss to Nottingham Forest in October 2006.

Starting against the same opposition four nights later in a Football League Trophy loss, he was then loaned to Folkestone Invicta soon after, playing a dozen games before returning to the Priestfield Stadium and then being released by the Gills at the end of that season.

Joining the Dons in August 2007 after a trial period, he went on to net one goal from 36 League starts and 19 substitute appearances before joining Lincoln City on loan in late October 2010, signing a permanent deal the following January.

Turning down a new deal with the club after their relegation from the Football League later that year, he then signed a two-year contract with Dagenham & Redbridge in August 2011, being an ever-present starter so far this season as well as currently topping the club's scoring chart with nine goals.



## THE EX LIST

Nathan Abbey	Carl Magnay (L)
Scott Allan (L)	Serge Makoko
David Amoo (L)	Keanu M-Brown (L)
<b>Keith Andrews</b>	Trent McClenahan (L)
Adolfo Baines	David McCracken
Matt Baker	Donal McDermott (L)
Angelo Balanta (L)	Jon-Paul McGovern
Sam Baldock	Michael McIndoe (L)
Ademola Bankole	Nick McKoy
Ricardo Batista (L)	Anthony McNamee
Mark Beevers (L)	John Miles (L)
Flavien Belson (L)	Pablo Mills (L)
Scott Bevan	Paul Mitchell
Dominic Blizzard (L)	Filipe Morais (L)
Michael Bridges	Craig Morgan
Drewie Broughton	Dean Morgan
Jimmy Bullard	Clinton Morrison (L)
Paul Butler	Kieran Murphy
Colin Cameron	Bondz N'Gala (L)
Matt Carbon	Alan Navarro
Mirano Carrilho	Harry Ntimban-Zeh
Mark Carrington	Sean O'Hanlon
Ben Chorley	Jay O'Shea
Adam Clayton (L)	Shola Oyedele
Charlie Collins	Richard Pacquette (L)
Leon Crooks	Sam Page
Shaun Cummings (L)	Steve Palmer
Anthony Danze (L)	David Partridge (L)
Sol Davis	Richie Partridge
Martin Devaney (L)	Michel Pensee-Bilong
Drissa Diallo	Darren Powell
Craig Dobson	Clive Platt
Aaron Doran (L)	Lewis Price (L)
Lloyd Dyer	Jason Puncheon
Jermaine Easter	Nigel Quashie (L)
Gareth Edds	Stephen Quinn (L)
Tore Andre Flo	Paul Rachubka (L)
Kevin Gallen	Alex Rae
Ali Gerba	Mark Randall (L)
Lewis Govern	Carl Regan
Oscar Govern (L)	Mark Ricketts (L)
Willy Gueret	Nicky Rizzo
Lewis Guy	Stuart Searle
Jordan Hadfield (L)	Ibra Sejakka (L)
Robert Hall (L)	Wade Small
Dietmar Hamann	Allan Smart
Ben Harding	Bally Smart (L)
Lee Harper	Adam Smith (L)
John Hastings	Gary Smith
Jonathan Hayes (L)	Jamie Smith
Laurent Hervé	Jude Stirling
Julian Hornuss	Florian Sturm
<b>Luke Howell</b>	Danny Swailes
Stephen Hughes (L)	Alex Tapp
Jabo Ibehre	James Tavernier (L)
Zeli Ismail (L)	Scott Taylor
Albert Jarrett (L)	Joe Tilden
Jemal Johnson	Andros Townsend (L)
Richard Johnson (L)	James Tunnicliffe (L)
Malvin Kamara	Rowan Vine (L)
Leon Knight	Adam Watts (L)
Nathan Koo-Boothe	Craig Westcarr (L)
Peter Leven	Aaron Wilbraham
Jake Livermore (L)	George Williams
Miguel Angel Llera	Mark Williams
Charlie MacDonald	Danny Woodards
Jamie Mackie	Mark Wright



# GET SET



### Well done to MK Dons FC Girls Centre of Excellence on their Easter Tour 2013

MK Dons FC Girls C of Ex returned from their Easter Tour to Holland, victorious despite the freezing cold weather following them into Europe! The players aged 9-17 (4 squads of Under 11, 13, 15 & 17), took part in the Easter Open 2013 and faced opposition across the ages from the Netherlands, Denmark, Finland and the USA and proudly came back to MK with 3 1st's and 1 2nd place.

For some of the younger players this was their first time away from home and a hectic schedule of games and early starts in the freezing cold conditions did not dampen the spirits. Led by Tec Director Paul Read and Centre Manager Charlene Ward, plus a fantastic team of experienced coaches the girls represented MK Dons and the Centre in exemplary fashion. Playing some fantastic football over the two days of competition and with no teams conceding a goal until the U15 final, the girls and the coaches had a great time throughout and were proud to be flying the Dons flag high in Europe.

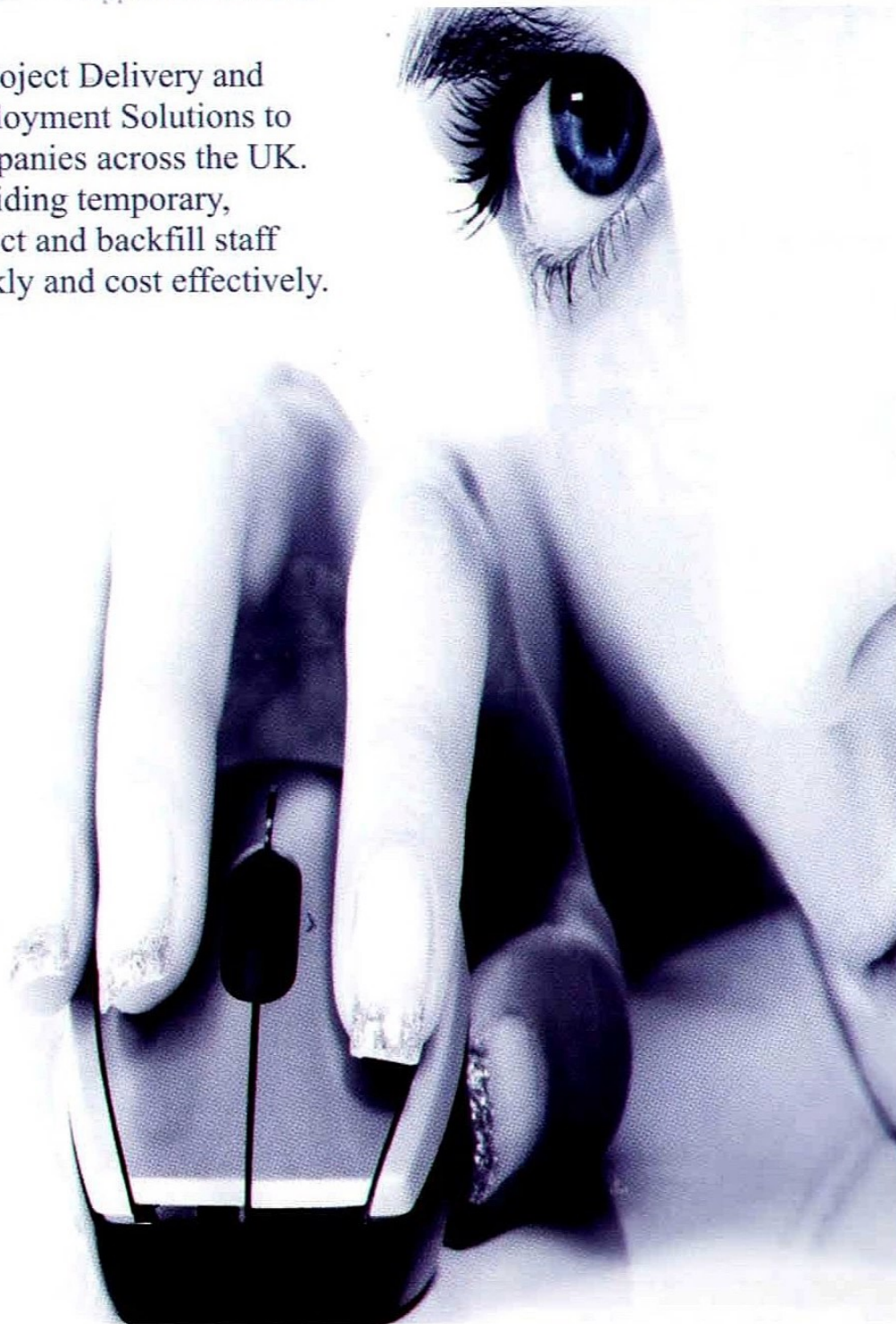
SET Girls and Women's Development Manager (Girls Centre of Excellence Manager) Charlene Ward said "The tour was a memorable experience for all and the girls were a credit to MK Dons FC throughout their time on Tour. The behaviour was excellent and they deserved every one of the 4 trophies they brought home, although the most pleasing thing was the style of football they were playing. It was a great example of how good the football at the Centre can be and despite the opposition they always tried to play their game and should be proud of how they represented girls football in Europe."



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Championship: Matej Vydra - Watford  
 League 1: Matt Ritchie - AFC Bournemouth  
 League 2: Tom Pope - Port Vale

## **JOHNSTONE'S PAINT YOUNG PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

Thomas Ince - Blackpool

## **MITRE GOAL OF THE YEAR**

Simon Cox

## **FOOTBALL MANAGER OUTSTANDING MANAGERIAL ACHIEVEMENT**

Phil Parkinson - Bradford City

## **NPOWER FAN OF THE YEAR**

Neil Le Milliere - Exeter City  
 Championship: Nick Webster - Derby County  
 League 1: Pat Raybould - Coventry City

## **LFE APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR**

Championship: Dimitar Evtimov - Nottingham Forest  
 League 1: Luke James - Hartlepool United  
 League 2: George Sykes - Barnet

## **THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE FAMILY CLUB OF THE YEAR**

Cardiff City  
 League 1: AFC Bournemouth  
 League 2: Plymouth Argyle

## **TOKIO MARINE UNSUNG HERO**

Billy Neil - Millwall  
 Highly Commended:  
 John Harris - AFC Bournemouth  
 Peter Rhoades-Brown - Oxford United

## **COCA-COLA COMMUNITY CLUB OF THE YEAR**

Charlton Athletic  
 Regional Winners:  
 South West: Cardiff City  
 Community Foundation  
 South East: Charlton Athletic  
 Community Trust  
 Midlands: Derby County  
 Community Trust  
 North East: Huddersfield Town  
 Football in the Community  
 North West: Tranmere Rovers  
 in the Community

## **PFA PLAYER IN THE COMMUNITY**

Inigo Calderon - Brighton & Hove Albion

## **PERFORM BEST USE OF DIGITAL**

Swindon Town  
 STFC Christmas ADVENTure

## **CAPITAL ONE CREDIT TO THE GAME**

Graham Alexander

## **CONTRIBUTION TO LEAGUE FOOTBALL**

Peter Shilton OBE





**Dan McCalla:** Always keep an eye out for Sean O'Hanlon, as he's had his fair share of ups and downs since he played for us. The applause he gave us up at Brunton Park in February after he'd played against us for Carlisle was special.

**Karl Stix Hall:** Jason Puncheon, miss him, walked out in the tunnel with him when I was a mascot.

**This week's topic**  
Former Dons Sam Baldock and Keanu Marsh-Brown grabbed important late goals for their current sides last Monday and so we wanted to know which ex-Dons you look out for every Saturday!

**Chris\_West96:** For me has to be Jason Puncheon! Love how he is making 1st team football in the prem! #PuncheonYoureADon

**CShachlock:** Sam Baldock, absolute legend and always hoping he may return one day #HesOneOfOurOwn

**PHOTO OF THE WEEK...**

**@thereallias1:** Congrats Girls C of E!! Tour to Holland 2013. 3x Champs 2x runner-up 25xgames 92x goals 24x clean sheets!

**TWEET OF THE WEEK...**

**GetSET100:** So excited!! Thank you all so much for your donations!! £5050!! I cannot believe it!

MK Dons supporter Adam Fairies after raising over £5,000 (his target), riding to all of the Dons away games this season.

Have your say on this tweet! #donstotw





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# FROM THE BOOTROOM!



with Simon Crampton



## Credit must also go to our academy physiotherapists'

Good evening and welcome to the penultimate Bootroom of the regular season - it only feels like yesterday that I was writing the first page of the 2012/13 campaign.

This season we have experienced a congested fixture schedule and have had plenty of injuries to deal with meaning we have literally had no time to sit back and relax in the Sports Medicine Department.

Every injury we encounter throughout the year is analysed and is entered into an injury audit, which allows us to statistically monitor injuries throughout the season and compare them with previous years. Adam Ross is responsible for collecting and analysing this data and I know on many occasions it has left him pulling his hairs out!

Although it is a painstaking process, it is a very important measure in our injury prevention efforts and the information we have gained over the years has seen us reduce our overall injury rates. Now, this may come as a surprise given the well documented injury list we have had this season but once again, at the time of writing, we have seen a reduction in the total number of injuries we have encountered.

Unfortunately in some cases, the injuries we have encountered this year have resulted in individuals requiring longer rehabilitation periods and they have also occurred to key players meaning they have received more

media attention-giving the illusion of a heightened injury rate.

Obviously when key players are injured the pressure is on to return them back to action as soon and as safely as possible and this has meant our Sports Medicine Department has had to operate seven days a week for the majority of the season which has meant we have seen a number return in record time.

I therefore want to take this opportunity to give thanks to the unsung heroes behind the scenes who have given their all since June. Without them we would not have seen as many players making such speedy comebacks.

Firstly, on behalf of the whole team I would like to give my sincere gratitude to Adam Ross. Adam has been with the Club for five years now and has gone from the strength to strength every season. Nothing ever fazes him, he's a true professional and he constantly works around the clock to provide the best care for the players.

Matt Wilmott joined us this season on a year-long student placement. He has significantly developed as a therapist during his time with us and I'd like to give him thanks for all his hard work



(Pic: Simon Crampton, Dr Martin Cave, Adam Ross & Matt Wilmott)

and I wish him the best of luck in his future career.

I'd also like to acknowledge the work of Dr. Martin Cave, our chiropractor Gary Jackson and our podiatrist Michael Wardlaw, all of whom have provided us with extremely valuable weekly visits throughout the year and are also available on the phone whenever needed.

Credit must also go to our academy physiotherapists, Adam Roche and James Butterfield, who have both done an excellent job in looking after our Young Dons and assisting with the first team when required. Both guys work unsociable hours to ensure they keep the young scholars and schoolboys on the pitch, developing their skills.

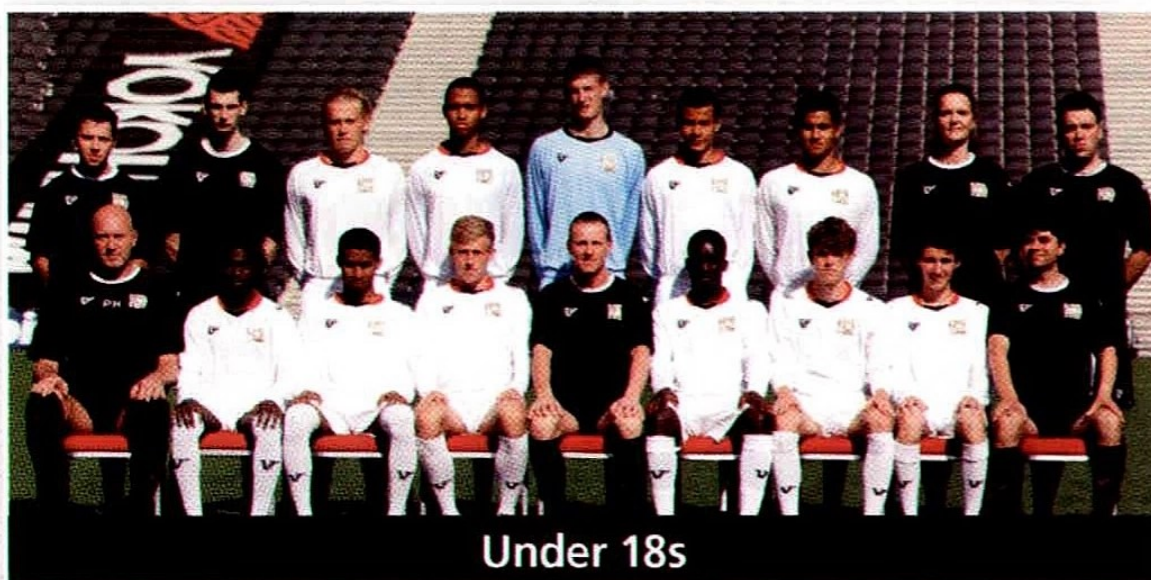
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# ACADEMY

## UPDATE!



MK Dons Under-18s returned to winning ways as a hat-trick from Mo Ahmed helped Mike Dove's side to a convincing 6-1 win over Portsmouth.

Ahmed's three goals, plus strikes from Will Summerfield, Brendan Galloway and Dele Alli ended a run of three successive defeats for the Dons.

The hosts got off to the perfect start as they took the lead with just over a minute played. The move started with good play down the right from captain Mason Spence, his square ball found Ahmed, who finished low into the left hand corner of the net from inside the box.

The Dons then took a firm grip on the match in the 20th minute as they doubled their lead. Following good build-up down the right side, with Spence involved once again, the visiting keeper was forced into action but he could only parry the ball to Ahmed who finished from close range to make it 2-0.

Dove's side were reminded they could not afford to rest on their laurels, as the visitors had their best chance on 26 minutes, when a shot from Ben Close from inside the area cannoned back off the right hand post.

Things got even better for the Dons five minutes before half-time after more good play down the right side from Spence forced the visitors keeper into action, with Summerfield on hand this time to finish the loose ball and make it 3-0.

The second half continued in a similar vein with the hosts continuing to pose problems with their quick, fluent passing and high tempo style of play. Another great chance came their way just after

the hour mark when a cross into the area found Alli, whose goal bound effort was blocked on the line.

Moments later the Dons extended their lead courtesy of a superb solo goal from defender Galloway, who ran unchallenged into the Portsmouth box before finding the net with an effort that went in off the post to make it 4-0.

They heaped further misery on their opponents on 73 minutes as visiting keeper Luke Colquhoun conceded a penalty when he brought down Alli inside the box.

Although Alli was keen to take the resulting spot-kick, Ahmed sensed the opportunity to complete his hat-trick, took charge of the situation and confidently buried the penalty low into the left hand corner to make it 5-0.

The visitors then managed a consolation goal with five minutes of the match remaining as the Dons were made to pay for losing their concentration inside their own box. Substitute Lewis Gill got one back for the Hampshire side as the Dons let slip a chance of a rare clean sheet.

The hosts then rounded off the rout in added time as another ball into the area was finished in scrappy fashion by Alli to make it 6-1.

**MK Dons (4-2-1-3):** Burns; Grant, Galloway, Hickford, Osae (Forrester 45); Alli, Wiltshire (Daffern 78); Spence (c); Ahmed, Summerfield (Weston 66), Osei-Addo

**Subs not used:** Taylor, Tingey

**Goals:** Ahmed 1, 20, 73 pen, Summerfield 49, Galloway 63, Alli 90

Report by Neil Shefferd.

## Academy fixtures

### 2012/13

	F-A
<b>AUGUST</b>	
Sat 11	Northampton Town 2-1
Sat 18	<b>Stevenage</b> 2-6
Sat 25	Dagenham & Red 0-5
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
Sat 8	<b>Peterborough Utd</b> 2-1
Sat 22	<b>Luton Town</b> 2-2
Sat 29	Leyton Orient
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
Sat 6	Peterborough Utd FLC 2-0
Sat 13	<b>Stevenage FLC</b> 4-3
Sat 20	Northampton FLC 0-2
Tue 30	Hereford FAYC 6-0
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Sat 3	Luton Town FLC 4-2
Sat 17	<b>Stevenage FAYC</b> 2-6
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
Sat 1	Aldershot 2-3
Sat 8	<b>Leyton Orient</b> 4-2
<b>JANUARY</b>	
Sat 12	Luton Town 3-2
Sat 26	<b>Northampton Town</b> p-p
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
Sat 2	<b>Portsmouth FLC</b> 0-5
Sat 9	<b>Dagenham &amp; Red</b> 3-0
Sat 23	Crawley Town 3-2
<b>MARCH</b>	
Sat 2	<b>Watford</b> 5-4
Sat 16	<b>AFC Bournemouth</b> 3-3
Thu 21	Stevenage 1-2
Sat 30	Peterborough Utd 3-5
<b>APRIL</b>	
Sat 6	<b>Portsmouth</b> 6-1
Wed 10	<b>Northampton</b>
Sat 13	Gillingham
Wed 17	AFC Wimbledon

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# MILTON KEYNES DONS SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION NEWS



## If, buts and maybes

The end of the season is near and like many other teams our fate is in the balance. We currently have an outside chance of reaching the play offs but at least the spectre of relegation isn't hanging over us. The season has been full of "if, buts and maybes" and Karl Robinson and his back room team will have learnt a lot from the various issues both publically known and the many more that have quite rightly not passed outside the confines of the manager's office. Whatever league we are in some serious questions will be asked by those behind the scenes as they plan for the next campaign.

Looking back over the past nine seasons in Milton Keynes the club have certainly been on a roller coaster with regular relegations occurring in the early years followed by the double in 2008. Since that promotion we've consistently flaunted with promotion and not been able to force ourselves over the line.

The stadium is now well on its way to completion in line with the Planning permission granted several

years back. On a personal note I'm pleased that the wind no longer howls around the East Stand and the MKDSA booth is now watertight. So many times over the seasons we've arrived before a match and had to mop up bucket loads of water and throw away ruined paper items inside the booth.

Whatever happens next season will be upon us soon and with a fully completed stadium and commitment both on and off the field here's hoping for another season like the 2007/8 one!

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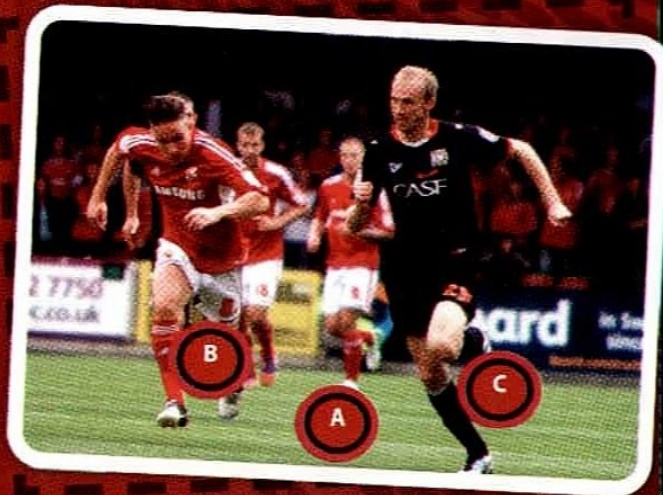
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## QUICK QUIZ!

1. Which ground do Swindon Town play at?
2. Who is Swindon Town's manager?
3. Which League did Swindon Town win last season?
4. Which former West Ham, Juventus and Lazio striker was in charge of the Robins until February this year?
5. What was the score the last time these two teams met?

## SPOT THE BALL!

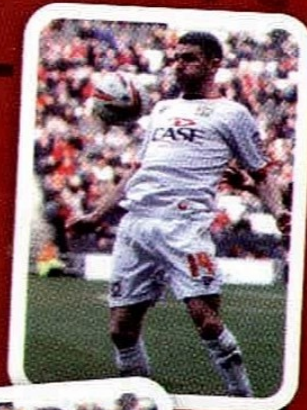
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There are 5 words to find above. Please use the clues below:

1. Tonight's opponents!
2. The nickname of tonight's opponents!
3. MK Dons' number 24!
4. The Dons' number 14!
5. The stand behind the goal where the noisy Dons fans sit!

## ANSWERS

QUIZ 1. The County Ground, Kevin Macdonald, npower League 2, Paulo Di Canio, Swindon Town 1 MK Dons 0  
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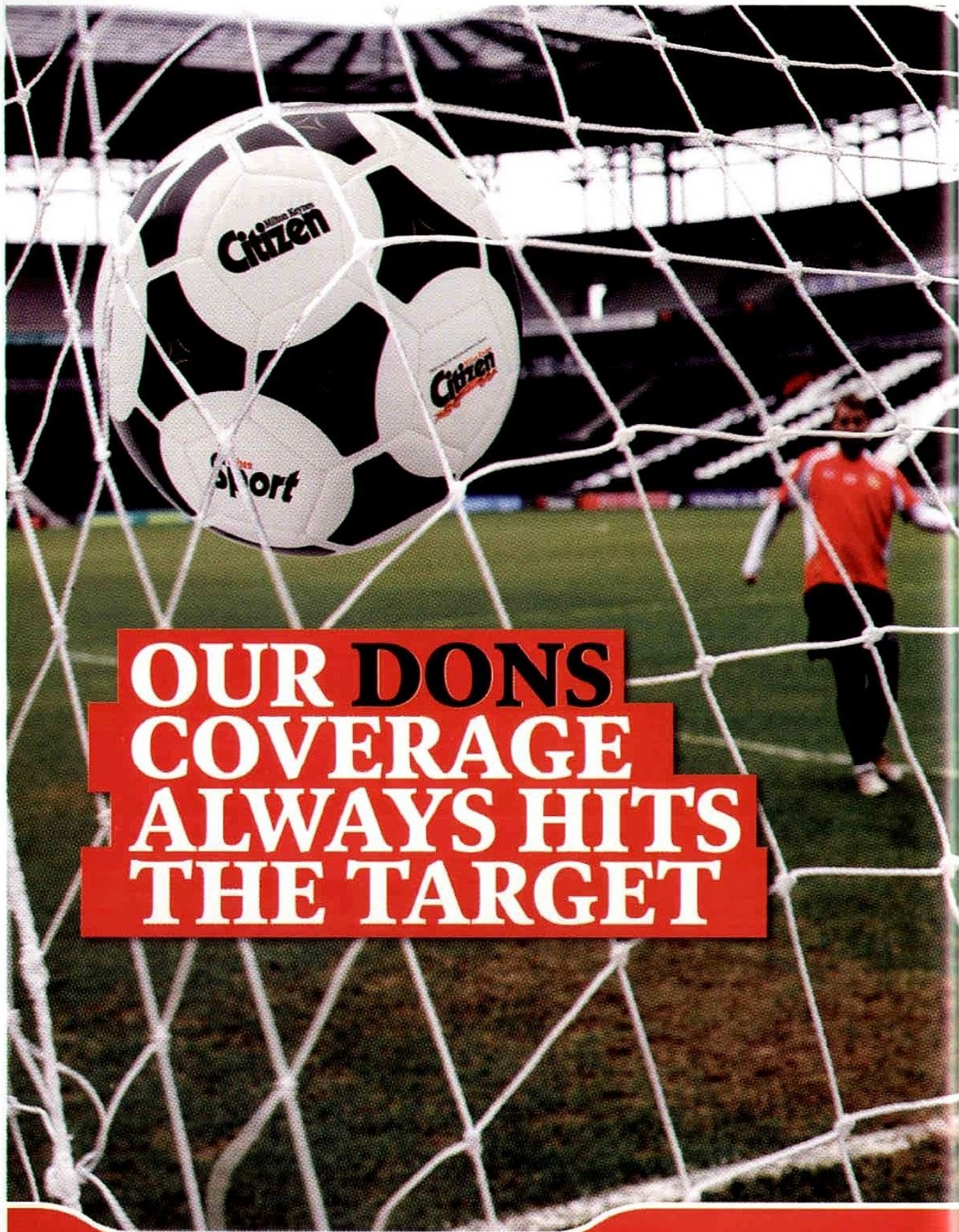


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- Water is your most important nutrient in your body.
- Dehydration decreases endurance, strength and physical performance.
- Higher protein diets have a diuretic effect and require extra attention to drinking water.
- Water is essential to the fat burning process.
- Drinking lots of water does not make you retain water.

**How much should you drink?**

The eight to 10 glasses guideline is okay as a ballpark, but taking into account activity levels and caloric expenditure will give you an even more accurate and individualized estimate of your water needs. Water needs may vary depending on a number of factors. Large individuals need more water than smaller people, and highly active individuals need more than those who are inactive. If you live or work out in a hot and humid environment your water requirements will be higher.

You should make it a habit to drink water all day long, but because water is so important for energy production and because exercise dehydrates you, you should make it a habit to drink heavily before, during and after your workout.

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# The Record!

## MK DONS IN THE LEAGUE

**Overall record:** Played 409, Won 182, Drawn 101, Lost 126, Goals for 606, Goals against 493, Points 647

**Home record:** Played 205, Won 100, Drawn 54, Lost 51, Goals for 327, Goals against 214, Points 354

**Away record:** Played 204, Won 82, Drawn 47, Lost 75, Goals for 280, Goals against 279, Points 293

**Leading appearance maker:** Dean Lewington 382 (plus 29 for Wimbledon)

**Leading goalscorer:** Izale McLeod 55

**Highest scorer in season:** Izale McLeod, 21, 2006/07

**Most goals in one match:** 3 – Clive Platt v Barnet 20.01.07, Mark Wright v Bury 02.02.08, Aaron Wilbraham v Cheltenham Town 31.01.09, Sam Baldock v Colchester United 12.03.11, Sam Baldock v Chesterfield 20.8.11, Dean Bowditch v Bury 22.09.12

**Youngest player:** Brendan Galloway 16 years, 43 days

**Oldest player:** Alex Rae 40 years, 229 days

**Number of players used:** 159

**Number of different scorers:** 69

**Record win:** 5-0 v Accrington Stanley 08.12.07, Hartlepool United 16.01.10 and Oldham Athletic 18.02.12

**Record loss:** 0-5 v Hartlepool United 03.01.05, Huddersfield Town 16.02.06, Rochdale 27.01.07 and Carlisle United 13.02.10

**Total attendance figure:** 3,003, 884

**Home attendance figure:** 1,655,767 (NHS 384,251 stadiummk 1,271,516)

**Away attendance figure:** 1,348,117

**Most capped player:** Mark Williams, 6, Northern Ireland



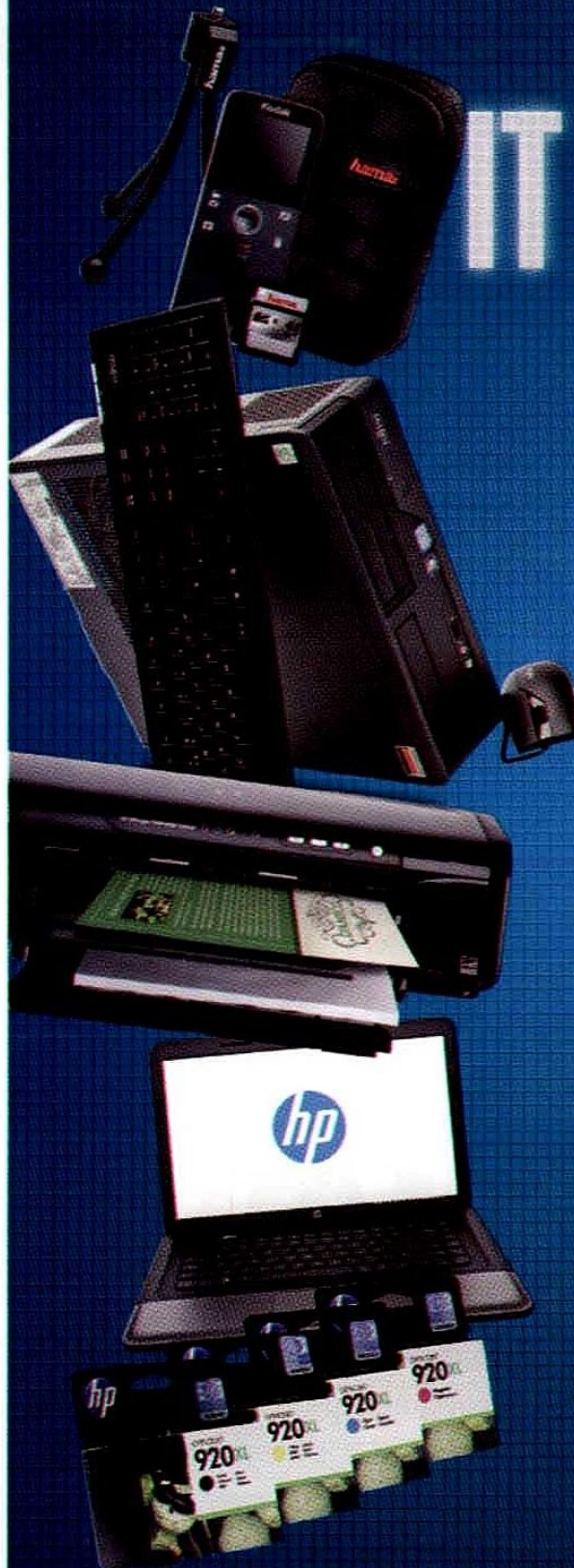
## IT'S A FACT!

Last Saturday's goalless draw with Crawley was the MK Dons fourth 0-0 of the season in League One competition and their first at home.

**Average Home Attendance Over the Years**

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# MKDSA

## TRIP REVIEW



### Hartlepool 0-2 MK Dons

In each edition of the reddot magazine we will be reviewing 'the away experience' through the eyes of a MK Dons fan. What were the pies like? How helpful were the stewards? MK Dons fan **Adam Clifton** made the trip to Victoria Park.

#### Journey/Parking 7 out of 10

Again I used my preferred method of reaching away games, Dons Travel, and as per usual I arrived just in the nick of time to catch the coach for 8:30. We stopped at services for just over forty minutes and at that point were due to make exceedingly good timing, despite extra holiday traffic. Thereafter however, we hit three heavy tailbacks. Two, as we found out, were down to rather nasty looking accidents, yet neither was on our side of the carriageway and we were held up only by people slowing down to look. However, we still arrived over an hour before the game, in time to see the players' coach arrive, and a few lucky fans got autographs.

The stadium has its own small car park, and there are a few other spaces dotted around the area. Most spaces were at the Morrisons next door, but like the Asda next to *stadiummk* there are signs prohibiting 'football traffic'. Parking didn't appear to be restricted on the main street outside, where the coaches stopped, but on busy days latecomers looked like they might have difficulty finding anything nearby.

#### Atmosphere 7 out of 10

Though only a little over 7000 people can watch a game at Victoria Park, a good crowd, full of voice and packed together quite close to the pitch would probably have been able to generate a good atmosphere. Unfortunately on this occasion it would be fair to say that the general atmosphere was a little subdued.

There were still some pockets of empty seats, and the home fans were very quiet indeed, although to be fair the most they had to cheer about during the game were their subs warming up.

#### Programme 8 out of 10

The £3 publication, aptly titled 'Never Say Die', started with a page each for the First Team Coach, Chairman, Chief Executive and finally Hartlepool's captain, all of whom were more or less saying the same thing: That despite their precarious position they are remaining positive that they are not yet written off and also that they're looking to the future. The first two paragraphs of Chief Executive Russ Green's page went some way to putting the Dons in a good light, giving Mr Winkelman due credit for his wonderful work for our club and hailing *stadiummk* as 'the best stadium outside of the Premier League'.

#### Refreshments 6 out of 10

Our refreshments were served to us by a single, tiny food bar called 'The Hungry Monkey', which had already started to run out of pound coins before the game even began. Hot and cold drinks were all £2, burgers and pies were £3 and you could get a cone or a tray of chips for £1.50 or £2.50 respectively. I thought £3.50 sounded a touch higher than the average asking price for a hotdog, but I retracted that thought when I was handed my 'Frankfooter' because it was undoubtedly the largest hotdog I had ever seen.

#### Stadium and pitch 7 out of 10

Despite it being so small, I rather liked Victoria Park in some ways. It's in a prominent location overlooking the railway line and just a stone's throw away from a historic dock area, which I would've liked to have seen if I'd had the time. The outside is far from plain, with several football-themed embellishments adorning the walls and gates in bold blue and white. Near the ticket office is a rather moving instalment titled 'The Centenary Wall: Remember the Past, Imagine the Future', which consists of many personal and poignant messages carved into each brick.

#### Stewards 10 out of 10

The stewards around us seemed to be getting along with the travelling fans, and clearly had a sense of humour. I think one of them confiscated a vuvuzela but we were able to improvise. Top marks as far as I was concerned.

#### Our overall day 8 out of 10

I was generally happy with my overall day out. It was cold when we left MK but it gradually got warmer en-route. Though the cold came back with a vengeance near the end of the game, three points were already in the bag by then and nobody seemed to care. I was so happy to finally see the Dons win! They hadn't won a game I'd been watching since the QPR match!



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1. <b>DAVID MARTIN</b> born: Romford 22.01.86	TRAINEE, LIVERPOOL, ACCRINGTON 5 (L), LEICESTER (L), TRANMERE (L), LEEDS (L), DERBY CO (L)	40+0 - 0	01.07.10	137+0 - 0	177+0 - 0
2. <b>JOHN OTSEMOBOR</b> born: Liverpool 23.03.83	LIVERPOOL, HULL (L), BOLTON (L), CREWE (L), ROTHERHAM, CREWE, NORWICH, SOUTHAMPTON, SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	202+17 - 6	05.07.12	28+2 - 1	230+19 - 7
3. <b>DEAN LEWINGTON</b> born: Kingston 18.05.84	TRAINEE	NONE	01.08.02	410+1 - 15	410+1 - 15
4. <b>MATHIAS KOUO-DOUMBÉ</b> born: Paris 28.10.79	PARIS SG, HIBERNIAN, PLYMOUTH ARGYLE	171+9 - 6	07.08.09	100+16 - 10	271+25 - 16
6. <b>SHAUN WILLIAMS</b> born: Dublin 19.10.86	DROGHEDA UTD, DUNDALK (L), SPORTING FINGAL	NONE	16.03.11	71+7 - 11	71+7 - 11
7. <b>STEPHEN GLEESON</b> born: Dublin 03.08.88	WOLVERHAMPTON W, STOCKPORT (L), HEREFORD UTD (L), STOCKPORT (L), MK DONS (L)	38+10 - 4	01.07.09	127+7 - 13	165+17 - 17
8. <b>DARREN POTTER</b> born: Liverpool 21.12.84	LIVERPOOL, SOUTHAMPTON (L), WOLVERHAMPTON W, SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	139+25 - 8	01.07.11	81+0 - 6	220+25 - 14
9. <b>DEAN BOWDITCH</b> born: Bishops Cleeve 15.06.86	IPSWICH, BURNLEY (L), WYCOMBE (L), BRIGHTON (L), NORTHAMPTON (L), BRIGHTON (L), BRENTFORD (L), YEovil	134+58 - 40	01.07.11	66+9 - 20	200+67 - 60
11. <b>ALAN SMITH</b> born: Wakefield 28.10.80	LEEDS UTD, MANCHESTER UTD, NEWCASTLE UTD, MK DONS (L)	259+58 - 45	29.01.12	23+19 - 2	282+77 - 47
12. <b>ADAM CHICKSEN</b> born: Milton Keynes 27.09.91	TRAINEE, LEYTON ORIENT (L)	3+0 - 0	01.07.08	46+25 - 2	49+25 - 2
13. <b>IZALE MCLEOD</b> born: Birmingham 15.10.84	DERBY, SHEFFIELD UTD (L), MK DONS, CHARLTON, COLCHESTER (L), MILLWALL (L), PETERBOROUGH (L), BARNET, PORTSMOUTH, MK DONS	130+57 - 51	03.01.13	110+17 - 55	240+74 - 106
14. <b>RYAN LOWE</b> born: Liverpool 18.09.78	BURSCOUGH, SHREWSBURY, CHESTER, CREWE, STOCKPORT (L), CHESTER, BURY, SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	311+97 - 122	01.08.12	27+10 - 9	338+107 - 131
16. <b>IAN MCLOUGHLIN</b> born: Ireland 08.08.91	IPSWICH TOWN, LOWESTOFT (L), STOCKPORT COUNTY (L), MK DONS, WALSALL (L)	11+0 - 0	22.07.11	10+2 - 0	21+2 - 0
17. <b>DANIEL POWELL</b> born: Luton 12.03.91	TRAINEE, CRAWLEY (L), FOREST GREEN ROVERS (L), DARLINGTON (L)	NONE	11.02.09	67+42 - 23	67+42 - 23
18. <b>GEORGE BALDOCK</b> born: Aylesbury 09.03.93	TRAINEE, NORTHAMPTON TOWN (L), TAMWORTH (L), IBV (L), TAMWORTH (L)	4+1 - 0	01.07.10	1+4 - 0	5+5 - 0
24. <b>ANTONY KAY</b> born: Barnsley 21.10.82	BARNSELY, TRANMERE ROVERS, HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	319+37 - 38	10.08.12	29+1 - 1	348+38 - 39
26. <b>LUKE CHADWICK</b> born: Cambridge 18.11.80	MANCHESTER UTD, ROYAL ANTWERP (L), READING (L), BURNLEY (L), WEST HAM, STOKE, NORWICH	127+49 - 16	01.01.09	159+22 - 16	286+71 - 32
<b>LOAN PLAYERS</b> as at 06.04.13					
23. <b>CHRIS LINES</b> born: Bristol 30.11.85	BRISTOL ROVERS, SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY, MK DONS (L)	197+18 - 24	22.01.13	10+2 - 0	207+20 - 24
33. <b>PATRICK BAMFORD</b> born: Grantham 05.09.93	NOTTINGHAM FOREST, CHELSEA, MK DONS (Lx2)	0+2 - 0	22.11.12	6+3 - 2	6+5 - 2

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- Doncaster v Carlisle
- MK DONS v Swindon
- Preston v Oldham
- Sheffield Utd v Crawley



PO	Team	PL	W	D	L	GF	GA	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
01	Doncaster	42	10	5	6	26	20	13	4	4	33	20	+19	78
02	Bournemouth	43	12	6	4	40	20	10	4	7	30	32	+18	76
03	Yeovil	42	12	4	6	35	22	9	4	7	31	30	+14	71
04	Brentford	41	13	6	2	34	19	6	8	6	20	22	+13	71
05	Sheffield Utd	40	7	9	3	27	17	11	7	3	25	17	+18	70
06	Swindon	41	8	9	4	37	14	10	5	5	27	17	+33	68
07	Tranmere	43	10	5	6	31	20	9	4	9	27	26	+12	66
08	Walsall	43	10	7	5	37	28	7	8	6	26	26	+9	66
09	Leyton Orient	43	12	2	7	28	19	7	5	10	23	28	-4	64
10	MK DONS	41	11	5	5	33	20	5	8	7	23	22	+14	61
11	Notts County	43	8	5	8	27	23	6	11	5	28	23	+9	58
12	Crawley	41	7	8	5	29	25	8	5	8	22	29	-3	58
13	Crewe	40	10	3	6	22	18	6	7	8	27	35	-4	58
14	Coventry	43	7	7	8	29	26	11	3	7	35	28	+10	54
15	Stevenage	43	7	5	9	26	30	8	4	10	21	27	-10	54
16	Preston	41	6	9	6	28	22	6	6	8	22	25	+3	51
17	Carlisle	42	7	6	8	31	40	6	6	9	21	31	-19	51
18	Shrewsbury	42	7	7	6	25	22	4	8	10	25	33	-5	48
19	Colchester	42	8	3	10	25	29	5	5	11	19	34	-19	47
20	Oldham	40	6	4	11	22	25	5	4	10	19	29	-13	41
21	Scunthorpe	42	6	5	10	27	36	5	3	13	16	33	-26	41
22	Portsmouth	42	6	5	11	24	27	3	7	11	20	36	-19	39
23	Hartlepool	43	5	7	10	18	26	3	5	13	17	38	-29	36
24	Bury	42	4	6	10	19	29	3	7	12	20	39	-29	34

	AWAY																							
HOME	Bournemouth	Brentford	Bury	Carlisle	Colchester	Coventry	Crawley	Crewe	Doncaster	Hartlepool	Leyton Orient	MK DONS	Notts County	Oldham	Portsmouth	Preston	Scunthorpe	Sheffield Utd	Shrewsbury	Stevenage	Swindon	Tranmere	Walsall	Yeovil
Bournemouth	●	2-2	4-1	20/4	1-0	0-2	3-0	3-1	1-2	1-1	2-0	1-1	3-1	4-1	2-0	1-1	1-0	0-1	2-1	1-1	1-1	3-1	1-2	3-0
Brentford	0-0	●	2-2	2-1	1-0	2-1	2-1	5-1	27/4	2-2	3-2	2-1	1-0	13/4	1-0	1-0	2-0	0-0	2-0	2-1	1-2	0-0	1-3	
Bury	2-2	0-0	●	1-1	1-2	0-2	0-2	2-2	2-0	2-1	0-2	1-4	0-2	13/4	2-0	1-2	16/4	0-2	2-2	2-0	0-1	0-1	1-1	27/4
Carlisle	2-4	2-0	2-1	●	27/4	1-0	0-2	0-0	1-3	3-0	1-4	1-1	0-4	3-1	4-2	13/4	1-1	1-3	2-2	2-1	2-2	0-3	0-3	3-3
Colchester	0-1	1-3	2-0	2-0	●	1-3	1-1	1-2	1-2	3-1	2-1	16/4	0-2	0-2	2-2	1-0	1-2	1-1	20/4	1-0	0-1	1-5	2-0	2-0
Coventry	1-0	1-1	2-2	1-2	2-2	●	3-1	1-2	1-0	1-0	20/4	1-1	1-2	2-1	1-1	1-1	1-2	1-1	0-1	1-2	1-2	1-0	5-1	0-1
Crawley	3-1	1-2	3-2	1-1	3-0	13/4	●	2-0	1-1	27/4	1-0	2-0	0-0	1-1	0-3	23/4	3-0	0-2	2-2	1-1	1-1	2-5	2-2	0-1
Crewe	1-2	10/4	1-0	1-0	3-2	1-0	2-0	●	13/4	2-1	1-1	2-1	1-2	0-2	1-2	1-0	1-0	23/4	1-1	1-2	2-1	0-0	27/4	0-1
Doncaster	0-1	2-1	2-1	9/4	1-0	1-4	0-1	0-2	●	3-0	2-0	0-0	20/4	1-0	1-1	1-3	4-0	2-2	1-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	1-2	1-1
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Shrewsbury	13/4	0-0	0-0	2-1	2-2	4-1	3-0	1-0	1-2	1-1	0-2	2-2	2-2	23/4	27/4	1-0	0-1	1-2	●	2-1	0-1	1-1	1-0	1-3
Stevenage	0-1	1-0	2-2	1-1	0-2	1-3	1-2	2-2	1-2	1-0	0-1	27/4	2-0	1-2	2-1	1-4	1-0	4-0	1-1	●	0-4	1-1	3-1	13/4
Swindon	4-0	0-1	0-1	4-0	0-1	2-2	3-0	6/4	1-1	1-1	0-1	1-0	0-0	1-1	5-0	1-1	1-1	0-0	2-0	20/4	●	5-0	2-2	4-1
Tranmere	27/4	1-1	3-0	0-1	4-0	2-0	2-0	2-1	1-2	13/4	3-1	0-1	1-1	1-0	2-2	1-1	1-0	0-1	0-2	3-1	1-3	●	0-0	3-2
Walsall	3-1	2-2	20/4	1-2	1-0	4-0	2-2	2-2	0-3	1-1	1-2	1-0	1-1	3-1	2-0	3-1	1-4	1-1	3-1	1-0	0-2	2-0	●	2-2
Yeovil	0-1	3-0	2-1	1-3	3-1	1-1	2-2	20/4	2-1	1-0	3-0	2-1	0-0	4-1	1-2	3-1	3-0	0-1	2-1	1-3	0-2	1-0	0-0	●

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- COC2 Capital One Cup & Round Number
- JPT3 Johnstone's Paint Trophy & Round Number
- Played
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DATES	OPPONENTS	F-A	ATT	(AWAY)	MK DONS GOALSCORERS AND TIMES
Sa 11 Aug	Cheltenham Town (COC1)	1-1 <sup>1</sup>	1,660	352	Bowditch 45
Sa 18 Aug	Oldham Athletic	2-0	7,409	512	Potter 34, Powell 59
Tu 21 Aug	AFC Bournemouth	1-1	5,407	271	Powell 62
Sa 25 Aug	Swindon Town	0-1	8,299	497	
Tu 28 Aug	Blackburn Rovers (COC2)	2-1	5,675	776	Chadwick 52, 68
Sa 01 Sep	Carlisle United	2-0	7,227	381	Chadwick 12, Lowe 65
Tu 04 Sep	Northampton Town (JPT1)	0-1	3,444	1,349	
Sa 08 Sep	Walsall	0-1	3,657	437	
Sa 15 Sep	Yeovil Town	1-0	7,235	322	MacDonald 75
Tu 18 Sep	Notts County	1-1	7,121	650	O'Shea 68
Sa 22 Sep	Bury	4-1	2,321	179	Bowditch 33, 56, 66, Chadwick 90
Tu 25 Sep	Sunderland (COC3)	0-2	10,489	2,978	
Sa 29 Sep	Crewe Alexandra	1-0	11,037	768	MacDonald 8
Tu 02 Oct	Coventry City	1-1	9,848	697	Gleeson 42
Sa 06 Oct	Portsmouth	2-2	10,409	2,552	Webster 40 (og), Potter 72
Su 14 Oct	Preston North End	0-0	8,327	177	
Sa 20 Oct	Stevenage	0-1	9,190	1,019	
Tu 23 Oct	Crawley Town	0-2	2,853	249	
Sa 27 Oct	Scunthorpe United	3-0	2,737	164	Chadwick 17,30, Smith 60
Fr 02 Nov	Cambridge City (FAC1)	0-0	1,564	416	
We 07 Nov	Leyton Orient	1-0	6,985	299	Lowe 41
Sa 10 Nov	Sheffield United	1-0	9,835	1,854	Williams 90 (pen)
Tu 13 Nov	Cambridge City (FAC1R)	6-1	4,126	549	Williams 12, 74 (pen), O'Shea 43, Bowditch 45, Alli 75, Chicksen 7
Fr 16 Nov	Tranmere Rovers	1-0	10,567	164	Gleeson 87
Tu 20 Nov	Shrewsbury Town	2-2	4,747	183	Balanta 45, Bowditch 90
Sa 24 Nov	Colchester United	5-1	7,443	330	Chadwick 28, 64, Williams 37 (pen), Otsemobor 61, Lowe 82
Su 02 Dec	AFC Wimbledon (FAC2)	2-1	16,459	3,030	Gleeson 45, Otsemobor 90
Sa 08 Dec	Brentford	2-3	5,833	445	Lowe 14, Gleeson 53
Sa 15 Dec	Hartlepool United	1-0	7,164	111	Lowe 16
We 26 Dec	Walsall	2-4	8,700	354	Lowe 6, Bowditch 31
Sa 29 Dec	Coventry City	2-3	13,660	4,988	Powell 15, Lowe 38
Tu 01 Jan	Notts County	2-1	5,325	311	Potter 6, Powell 13
Sa 05 Jan	Sheffield Weds (FAC3)	0-0	11,463	1,185	
Sa 12 Jan	Bury	1-1	7,384	243	Bowditch 15
Tu 15 Jan	Sheffield Weds (FAC3R)	2-0	6,786	1,309	Williams 28 (pen), Bowditch 75
Sa 26 Jan	QPR (FAC4)	H	17,081	3,155	Traoré 4 (og), Lowe 40, Harley, 50, Potter 56
Tu 29 Jan	Yeovil Town	1-2	3,152	99	Kay 35
Sa 02 Feb	AFC Bournemouth	0-3	9,233	1,446	
Sa 09 Feb	Oldham Athletic	1-3	4,094	185	Powell 39
Tu 12 Feb	Doncaster Rovers	0-0	6,423	180	
Sa 16 Feb	Barnsley (FAC5)	1-3	14,475	3,702	Bowditch 61
Sa 23 Feb	Carlisle United	1-1	4,283	179	Chicksen 36
Tu 26 Feb	Portsmouth	1-1	9,815	267	Williams 27
Sa 02 Mar	Preston North End	1-1	8,412	678	Chicksen 2
Tu 05 Mar	Doncaster Rovers	3-0	6,804	453	McLeod 40, Powell 56, Gleeson 83
Sa 09 Mar	Sheffield United	0-0	17,936	385	
Tu 12 Mar	Shrewsbury Town	2-3	6,672	233	Lowe 27, 47
Sa 16 Mar	Tranmere Rovers	3-0	9,682	601	Lewington 9, Gleeson 43, Potter 51
Tu 19 Mar	Crewe Alexandra	1-2	3,770	143	Barnford 31
Fr 29 Mar	Hartlepool United	2-0	3,269	157	Barnford 7, Bowditch 62
Mo 01 Apr	Brentford	2-0	10,455	2,030	Bowditch 14, Gleeson 85
Sa 06 Apr	Crawley Town	0-0	7,746	390	
Tu 09 Apr	Swindon Town	H			
Sa 13 Apr	Leyton Orient	A			
Tu 16 Apr	Colchester United	A			
Sa 20 Apr	Scunthorpe United	H			
Sa 27 Apr	Stevenage	A			

Home games in Red Away games in Black



Player Name	Appearances	Goals
David Martin	41 (0)	
Adam Chickson	30 (10)	
Gary MacKenzie	15 (2)	
Shaun Williams	49 (1)	
Dean Lewington	44 (0)	
Stephen Gleeson	30 (3)	
Darren Potter	49 (0)	
Dean Bowditch	42 (1)	
Luke Chadwick	32 (6)	
Jay O'Shea	8 (9)	
Charlie MacDonald	11 (13)	
Antony Kay	37 (2)	
Alan Smith	15 (19)	
Ryan Lowe	33 (13)	
Ian McLoughlin	11 (1)	
Daniel Powell	27 (8)	
Jabo Ibehre	0 (5)	
Jon Otsemobor	34 (2)	
Dele Alli	2 (4)	
Brendan Galloway	0 (2)	
Mason Spence	1 (0)	
Jimmy Bullard	1 (2)	
Mathias K-Doumbé	12 (10)	
Charlie Burns	0 (0)	
Scott Allan	2 (2)	
Angelo Balanta	12 (1)	
Harry Hickford	0 (0)	
Georgio Rasulo	0 (2)	
Ibra Sekajja	0 (1)	
Patrick Bamford	6 (3)	
Zell Ismail	2 (7)	
Ryan Harley	10 (1)	
Izale McLeod	5 (6)	
Chris Lines	10 (4)	
Tom Flanagan	0 (0)	
George Baldock	0 (2)	

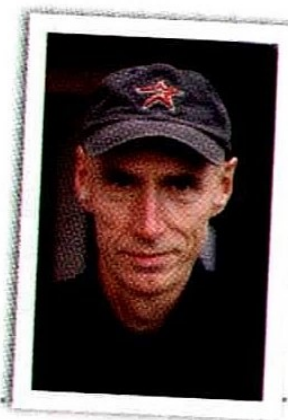


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# THE LAST WORD!

Phil Smith



'Getting older is something we all do, but it's a picnic containing nothing but cucumber sandwiches the later it gets'

Last Saturday's result against Crawley means that the play-off door marked 'mathematically possible' still remains on its hinges, but from now on it will only take the smallest puff to flatten it to the floor, and whilst there's not a hurricane standing in the way tonight, at the same time you don't have to be related to Albert Einstein to figure out that this evening's game is a biggie in the overall state of play. For both teams, not just our own heroes. Swindon need a win to keep their automatic promotion hopes alive, and they also need a win to keep their play-off position in tact. They will be just as tough a nut to crack as the Red Devils were last Saturday.

Sometimes you just have to give credit where credit is due, and from where I was sitting in the first half the save that Crawley's Paul Jones pulled off from Ryan Lowe looked to be one of the finest you could ever wish to see. A lot of the time commentators will scream down their mics about how great a save that was, or how fine a stop this was, but in reality if you look at what the keeper had done to merit the praise heaped upon him then nine times out of ten any decent number one would normally hope to make a similar stop.

There are occasions though when a right proper save is made and having seen the replay of the one Mr Jones did I would definitely put it in the top drawer category. Whilst also soon after putting a miss the Dons somehow managed just before the interval into the same space. I guess these things are meant to try us, and without meaning to sound like a hard-hearted Hannah, if you can't put ones like that in the back of the net then you can't really complain about not winning the game.

It was nice to see some sunshine at last though, and I did my best meerkat impression on the train back in sitting on the right side so that I took full advantage of the warmth of the setting sun coming through the windows. It was still mighty chilly sitting in the shade at the stadium though, and again I hope everyone is well wrapped up tonight as the forecast is only for a couple of degrees above freezing come the end of the game. That's still ridiculously low for the time of year, and all this cold weather certainly hasn't done yours truly much good in the overall health stakes. As anyone who saw me pitifully hobbling around last Saturday will have noted. For some reason the week before my right

knee just swole up, making putting one foot in front of the other a task I had to tread very carefully, but hopefully a combination of rest, ice and ibuprofen will make for a slightly easier time of it tonight. As I've said many times, getting older is something we all do, but it's a picnic containing nothing but cucumber sandwiches the later it gets. And I can't think of many who would want to go on one of those.

My mate Dave celebrated his 57th birthday yesterday. He's now working in Qatar, went to the Moto GP races there on Sunday, and told me he was taking dates to work instead of cakes to celebrate another year added to the list. I'll be joining him on that number in a couple of weeks, and all being well I'll also be visiting him later in the year at his new base. Next winter, and for as many days as he's prepared to put up with me. I'm pretty sure I won't need eight layers of top clothing over there, like I do here at the moment.

It will be something to look forward to. We all need that, at the end of the day.

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MANAGER **Karl Robinson**

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## SWINDON TOWN

MANAGER **Kevin MacDonald**

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