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Kevin MacDonald

The Town boss reviews Tuesday night's home victory over Crewe Alexandra and looks ahead to today's important home clash....

TODAY'S game provides us with the opportunity of making sure of our play-off place and the players are focused on the job in hand.

The players realise how important this game is and hopefully they will put in another accomplished performance like Tuesday night. I have always said that we have one of the best sides in the league and it was good to see the players play like they did in midweek. You don't stay in the top six of the league without being a very good side and not only did the team perform well, they created a whole host of chances. Against Crewe we started the game very well and of course we will be trying to do that once again today. Stevenage will come here looking to slow the game down a little bit, in a professional way, but that's up to us to combat.

Momentum is a very important factor for us now but we don't want to look too far ahead of ourselves. The priority is today's game against Stevenage before we concentrate on winning at Scunthorpe next Saturday. The players are extremely focused and know how important the next few games will be for the fans and for themselves.

The support from the fans on Tuesday was fantastic and I must thank everyone for that. If things don't go our way from the start today then your vocal support will help the players again I am sure. We know how much this team means to the town of Swindon and after promotion last season from League Two, everyone has the collective desire to achieve success once again.

In terms of injuries we picked up a couple of knocks in midweek with Simon Ferry and Luke Rooney in

the treatment room after the Crewe game. Simon had a problem with his hamstring and had a scan on Thursday whilst Luke took a knock on his shoulder. If either of those are to be available for today's game then it will be a very tight run thing. Should they both be ruled out then we will look for a couple of youngsters to step up to the bench once again.

Stevenage aren't challenging for promotion or battling against relegation. Graham Westley hasn't been back at the club for long and I am sure he will be looking for a big performance from his players. He will be looking at who he wants to keep and their side will be giving their all. It doesn't matter what Stevenage do because the main thing will be our performance that will determine the outcome of today's game.

On behalf of the club I would like to thank you once again for your fantastic support throughout the course of this season. Another win today would round things off nicely at The County Ground before we hopefully meet here again in a few weeks.



Simon Ferry: Injury doubt

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Alan McCormack...

Captain Alan McCormack returned to the heart of the midfield on Tuesday night and played his part in an impressive performance as Town got back to winning ways....

ON Tuesday night we registered a big home win over Crewe Alexandra and it was great to get back to wirning ways at home.

The support from the terraces was unbelievable on Tuesday night and it really made a difference. It really helps to have such backing and I am sure today will be even better with a big crowd in. Hopefully we can produce a decent display this afternoon and playing towards our own fans at both ends will be a real bonus as well. People may think it wouldn't matter, but as players having both ends open to home supporters is massive. It has a positive impact for us as the home team but also it's quite intimidating for the away side. Hopefully Stevenage will come here and be intimidated by the noise this place can make.

I returned to midfield for the game and there was a lot more running to do than playing in the heart of the defence or at full-back. I enjoy playing in the middle and like ratting about to press people and being in the thick of the action. We won the ball quite high up the pitch thanks to the good work of the strikers and the rest of the midfield lads. On Tuesday we went into the game after a bad defeat at Sheffield United but the response from the players was fantastic.

We are now very close to securing a Play-Off slot and three points this afternoon would make sure of our place. It has been a long and hard season and a lot of effort has gone into getting us into the position we are in now. Hopefully three points today, to make it back to back wins, can

help give us the momentum we need going into Scunthorpe and then the Play-Offs. Over recent years it is often the team that goes into the Play-Offs with a bit of form that goes on to earn promotion. We haven't paid any attention to which team we might play or when; the priority is to make sure we are in the play-offs and we will look at the schedule after that.

There are a few injuries in the camp at the moment but you won't hear any excuses coming from the squad. The players that have come into the side in recent weeks have done very well and although we are missing quite a bit in terms of experience, we know that whoever goes out there will do their best for the cause.

Once again thanks for your continued support. Make sure you keep the noise going throughout the 90 minutes today and hopefully we can sign off at The County Ground high in confidence.



McCormack: Leading from the front

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In The News...

It's going to be a busy afternoon at The County Ground as today is the final home League One fixture of the regular 2012/13 season...

Thanks for your support...

THE players and management will be showing their appreciation for the loyal support of all STFC supporters after the game today.

The team will take part in the traditional end of season lap of honour around the pitch, with the supporters asked to remain in the stands.

Announcements will be made over the public address system before the final whistle to alert fans that the players will come out only if the pitch is clear.

STFC Roll of Honour...

PLAYERS, staff and supporters of Swindon Town and Stevenage will this afternoon join forces to remember those loved ones who have passed away during the 2012/13 season.

The two teams will gather on the edge of the centre-circle as everyone within The County Ground participates in the oneminute applause prior to kick-off. The below names will be read out before the minute's applause:

Keep your tickets...

SWINDON Town supporters are advised to keep their match tickets from today's home fixture with Stevenage, ahead of a potential home Play-Off fixture. 2012/13 Season Ticket holders will be given first priority for Play-Off tickets, followed by those who have a match ticket for the home game with Stevenage.

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Wiltshire Air Ambulance - Celebrity Match

SWINDON Town will host a celebrity charity match at The County Ground on Tuesday 30th April, raising vital funds for the official STFC Charity of the Year - the Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

Jeff Brazier from ITV's This Morning show is lined up to play alongside Mario Falcone from the Only Way is Essex, Singer Lee Ryan from the band Blue, Boxing World Champion Nathan Cleverly, Eastenders stars Adam Woodyatt, Jamie Borthwick, Tony Discipline and newcomer to the square Khali Best are all lined up to play.

Kick-off on the night will be 7.30pm. Adult tickets are £6, Concessions £3 and are available online by visiting www.ticketmaster.co.uk/swindontown



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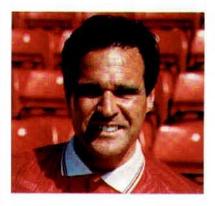
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Race night sold-out...

THE fundraising race night in the Legends Lounge for former Town player, coach and caretaker manager Andy Rowland on Thursday 9th May has sold-out. Andy has been suffering with an illness which has seen him hospitalised for several weeks. He along with his family have also recently left The Plough in Old Town, where he served the community as the publican for many years. Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets for this special night with 260 people booked in.

Charity match hospitality...

A celebrity charity match will take place at The County Ground on Tuesday 30th April, Match tickets can be purchased for the game from the STFC Box Office or via ticketmaster online. The game will kick-off at 7.30pm.

Hospitality is available for the game which will include a match ticket in the executive area, a twocourse meal and an opportunity to mix with a range of celebrities and footballers after the game. Prices are £35 per Adult or £20 for Concessions. Packages can be purchased online only via www. ticketmaster.co.uk/swindontown

Kevin Adrian Cuss...

KEV was diagnosed with bowel cancer in October 2011, just two vears and five months after losing his wife Gill to cervical cancer. He of course was devastated with this terrible news but once he got to grips with the treatment plan he was an inspiration to

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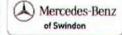






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Thank you to the 260 people who have booked in for the race night...

us all. He took everything in his stride, remained positive and enjoyed his life to the full. He was very humble, full of thanks for everything people did for him, all the time trying to protect his family around him. Kev had always been a giver during his life and hated needing help but showed remarkable strength as his health failed. He lost his fight on 12th November 2012, aged 43 years old. He had been a loval Town supporter and Season Ticket holder for 25 years. During his illness he was admitted to hospital on several occasions. If the Town had a match on, a radio would be taken and tuned in so that he could listen in. Kev was buried in a bespoke Swindon Town coffin and he wore a signed shirt. The funeral cortege took him to The County Ground for his final visit.

Kev was a wonderful person and is greatly missed by his family and friends, some of whom join us today to celebrate his life in The Sponsor's Suite today.

Happy Birthday Sarah

MANY happy returns to Sarah Richards who will be celebrating her birthday in the Members' Suite today along with members of her



family. Have a fantastic day and let's hope the team can play well again to secure another win to get your party started!

Happy Birthday Cyril...

WE would like to wish Cyril Palmer a Happy 82nd Birthday! He is celebrating by spending the day at The County Ground meeting



the manager and players. He has been a Swindon Town fan for many years now and still enjoys coming to home games. Thank you for all your loyal support Cyril and have a great day with us.

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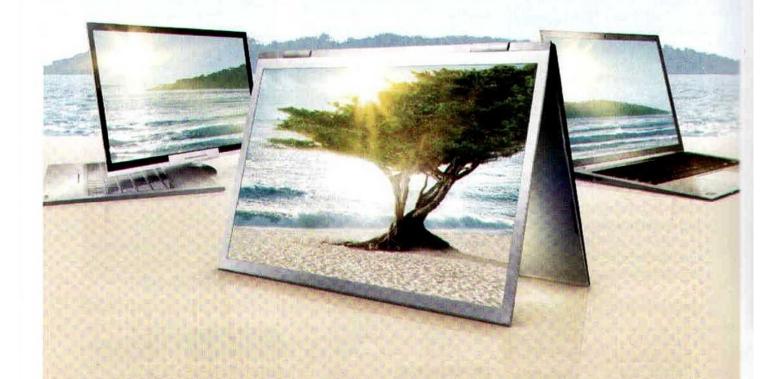






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vs Crewe Alexandra

Adam Rooney was named man of the match after a two-goal display on Tuesday evening...







Man of the Match vs Crewe Alexandra



Adam Rooney

THE Irish striker added to his tally for the campaign with a quickfire double strike against the Alex on Tuesday evening. Rooney's goals helped Town achieve a 3-0 half-time advantage as they stunned the visitors with a superb first half performance. Rooney now has nine goals to his name and will hope to add more to his name by the end of the campaign.



ROONEY receives a bottle of champagne from young representatives of main Match Sponsors Verelogic IT Solutions after the game.

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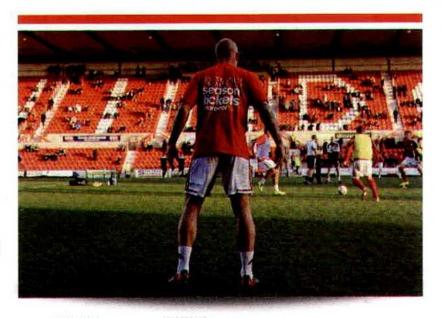
General Manager Steve Murrall discusses what has been another busy week on and off the pitch at The County Ground...

FOLLOWING on from a fantastic win in midweek the Board are looking forward to the real prospect of finalising our place in the Play-Offs today. Speaking with the players this week they really feel the vocal encouragement is like an extra player during games so let's give them that support again today.

It's also been a busy few weeks off the pitch too. We are concentrating on ensuring the activity behind the football is being developed and constructed to deliver the results we need to be a successful business. We have put a structure in place to deliver this success and I am working with the business team to ensure everyone understands exactly what is required, very similar to managing a football team but without the showbiz!

Season Ticket sales have been very impressive and may I thank all those fans who took advantage of the price freeze and no fee instalment options. We hope these final few games will make those early purchases even more of a bargain. Championship football at last season's prices certainly can't be a bad deal for anyone. 4,671 Season Tickets sold to date is very positive and should see us outsell this season by 400 or 500 new Season Ticket holders so a warm welcome to those who have purchased for the very first time.

We also have a lot of speculation and discussion this week around the identity of investors. I won't go into this now as the Chairman has already made statements this week clarifying the situation. It's fair to say that the Board are committed



4,671 Season Tickets sold to date is very positive and should see us outsell this season...

to bringing in the right people and the right funding lines to ensure we can take the club forward. It is no secret that the Chairman has always kept a number of interested parties in the mix and it is only right that as we settle in, these people will come to the fore. As I write this article we have still only been in the hot seat for some eight weeks. Looking back. I feel the challenges we have faced have been met head on and it has been an amazing achievement by the Chairman that we are able to bring in such good contacts.

We are expecting a great turnout today for what I can only describe as a pivotal match.

hopefully launching us into the Play-Offs and ultimately into the Championship. Let's all get behind the team and play our part today. This is a great football club and we are here to propel it to the next level, your support is very much appreciated. As usual I will be doing the rounds this afternoon so please feel free to catch me for a chat.

Enjoy the match.



Steve Murrall General Manager



Stevenage

Today's visitors have only pride to play for as the season comes to a close, but will hope to impress returning boss Graham Westley with one eye on 2013/14...

last five...



formation... **4-4-2**





THE 21-year old is on loan from OPR and can play in defence and midfield. He has spent loan soels with Yeovil Town and Preston North End in recent years and scored in the recent win over Hartlepool United.

Luke Freeman...



FORMER Arsenal midfielder Freeman has scored twice for Stevenage this season in 37 appearances. He first arrived at The Lamex on loan in November 2011 before making the move permanent.

James Dur



Bondz N'Gala...



23-year oid N'Gala started his career with West Ham but after four loan spells away from Upton Park, he joined Plymouth in 2010, After a season with Yeovil Town in 2011/12, he signed for Stovenage last summer.

Mark Robe





Steve Arnold...



THE stooper came in primarily as an understudy to first choice Chris Day last summer and made his first team debut in November. The 23-year old has made 32 appearances for Stevenage so far this team.

the gaffer...

GRAHAM Westley entered his third managerial spell with Stevenage Football Club in March 2013, hoping to emulate the success he had enjoyed in both spells previous. Westley will go down in Stevenage FC history and it was actually ten years before beginning his third reign that he first came into contact with the club. He has taken charge of one win, a draw and one defeat since returning.

form guide...

A run of 14 defeats in 18 games, leaving the club 15th in the division, saw Stevenage sack manager Gary Smith on Wednesday 20th March. Westley's return to the club began with a 1-0 home victory over Hartlepool United on Bank Holiday Monday. They drew 0-0 at Portsmouth the following Saturday before last weekend's home defeat to Yeovil Town.

last match stats...

Stevenage 0 Yeovil Town 2

Daniel Lopez...



THE 29-year old fromman scored a hat-trick in the 4-0 win over Sheffield United last month, his second treble in three games after a similar feat on loan at Barnet the month before.



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Filipe Morais...



ANOTHER player with Starnford Bridge experience, the 27-year old has had a meandering career since leaving Chelsea in 2006. Born in Portugal, he has four goals to his name so far this season.

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appearances for the
existing in midfield.

Anthony Grant...



THE midfielder started out with Chelses before spending four loan spells away from Stamford Bridgs. He made over 150 sppearances for Southend United prior to signing for Stevenage last summer.

Lucas Akins...



AKINS began his career with Huddersheld Town but after spells in Scotland with Partick and Hamilton, he joined Tranmere in August 2010. He spent two years at Prenton Park before signing for Stevenage. 10 goals so far this season.

THE 29-year old shinder joined sevenage on loan November 2008 at made the move semanent in January one after impressing he has scored four goals is term.

David Gray...



EDINBURGH-born
Gray signed for the
club last summer after
spending two seasons
with Preston. The 24-year
old has been booked 11
times so far this season
and started out with
Manchester United.

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League	0	0	1
Cup	- 0	0	1
FA Cup		0	0
Total	1	0	2

off the bench...

LEE Hills was a replacement against the Glovers and could come into contention for this afternoon's encounter, 20-year old Southampton striker Sam Hoskins is on loan and made an appearance off the bench against Yeovil, his 14th league outing for the club after signing on extended terms in January. Marcus Haber has scored seven times this season and is another option for Westley.

on the match...

THERE have been two previous meetings (to mention) between today's teams. Miles Storey made an impression the last time they met, scoring in a 4-0 League One win at The Lamex in October 2012. Swindon were also winners in a Football League Trophy tie at The CG in October 2005 with Rory Fallon and Hameur Bouazza on the scoresheet. According to the history books, there was a third...



In The Spotlight...

Stevenage come to The County Ground today with a few familiar faces in their ranks, with a former Swindon Town Player of the Year amongst them...

Defender - Miguel Comminges



2012/13 Apps: 20



BORN in Les Abymes in Guadeloupe, the 31-year old will be well-known to Swindon Town fans after a one-season stay during the 2007/08 campaign. Signed by Paul Sturrock in the summer of 2007 after a successful trial spell, he made his debut for the Robins in the 1-1 draw at Northampton Town on the opening day. He finished the season with

47 appearances to his name and collected numerous Player of the Year awards. A move to Cardiff City followed but he made just 31 league appearances for the Bluebirds before joining Southend United in January 2011. After a stint with Colorado Rapids, he returned to the English game he signed for Stevenage last summer and will hope to feature today.

Defender - Bondz N'Gala

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2012/13 Apps: 32

N'GALA signed for Stevenage prior to the 2012/13 season and rejected a contract with former club Yeovil Town for a move to The Lamex. It was with West Ham that N'Gala began his career, and during his time with the Premier League side he spent spells on loan throughout the Football League with MK Dons, Scunthorpe United and Plymouth

Argyle, the latter of those deals became permanent in the summer of 2010. He spent a single season with the club, making 28 appearances, but the well-documented financial problems with the Pilgrims paved way for a move to Yeovil. He spent just one year The Glovers and made 35 appearances before being snapped up by Stevenage.



Midfielder – Luke Freeman



2012/13 Apps: 41



FORMER Arsenal man Freeman signed for Stevenage in January 2012 after a successful loan spell was made permanent. The winger, who can also play in attack, excited the crowds at The Lamex Stadium with some impressive displays. He scored his first goal in the 6-1 demolition of Colchester United on Boxing Day, scoring the fifth with a well struck low effort. He finished

the season with six goals. His youth career began at Charlton Athletic before a move to Gillingham where he flourished. After four years he was awarded a contract in the first team where he became the youngest ever player in the FA Cup. He joined Arsenal in 2008 and spent four years with the Gunners and in that time represented his country at U16 and U17 level.

Club Connections...

Town's Tom Otrebski profiles a range of players who have played for both Swindon Town and Stevenage ahead of today's League One meeting...

Guiliano Grazioli...

THE striker began his career in the non-leagues most notably with Stevenage. He scored against the Town to famously knock them out and against Newcastle United in the next round of Boro's FA Cup run of 1997/98. In the summer of 1999, 'Graz' joined Swindon on a free transfer from Peterborough. He made nearly 80 appearances in three years at SN1 and scored 18 goals including the winner against Oxford at The County Ground in October 2000.

in three seasons at SN1 scoring once: the winner in a 2-1 win over Chesterfield in September 1977. He left Wiltshire in June 1980 to join Gillingham. After retiring from playing, Ford enjoyed a successful managerial stint with Gravesend and Northfleet before becoming assistant manager to current boss Graham Westley at Stevenage. He only stayed for one season however, leaving in 2006.

Steve Berry...

WITH Town pushing for promotion from Division Three, Lou Macari swooped to sign Berry from Newport County in March 1987. The midfielder would play in the last six games of the season including all five play-off matches. In October 1987 he moved to Aldershot having made just ten appearances in a red shirt. After spells at a number of clubs at home and abroad, Berry joined Stevenage in 1995/96 season. He captained Boro to the Conference National title making 37 appearances scoring twice along the way.

Charlie Griffin...

AFTER scoring on his full home debut against Barnsley, Griffin would go on to make 30 appearances for Town with the majority of those coming from the bench. After spells at other clubs, Griffin joined Stevenage in 2009. In two years at the Lamex, he scored 16 goals in 41 appearances before moving back into non-league football. He is currently with Conference South side, Bath City.

Andy Ford...

FORD signed for Swindon in August of 1977, joining from Southend United. The defender made 123 appearances



Pictured top to bottom: Gulliano Grazioli, Steve Berry, Charlie Griffin, Andy Ford.

"Griffin would go on to make 30 appearances for Town with the majority of those coming from the bench."



Matching Up...

Today two players with Premier League links come under the microscope as Town look to register back to back wins at The County Ground...



Career so far...

HERTFORDSHIRE-born, Byrne attended Parmiters School in Garston where he played in a successful school side. He joined Spurs aged nine before injuries hindered his progress. After impressing at county level and for St Albans City - he earned a move back to White Hart Lane aged 14.

2011/12...

OFTEN skipper of the Spurs XI, his performances earned a second loan spell when he joined Bournemouth. Unfortunately, after 13 appearances, he suffered an injury and eventually returned to his parent club.

Did you know...

DURING his first spell at Spurs, Byrne played as a striker before being converted to a full-back after returning to the club.

2012/13 Season...

THE youngster began the campaign playing in a number of development games for Spurs before heading out for a third loan spell, joining Crawley in September. He made 15 appearances before joining Swindon in March.

As a player...

2011/12...

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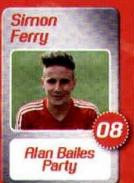




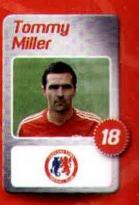
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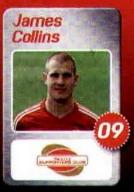


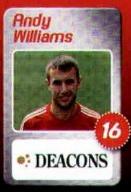


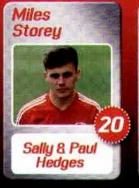




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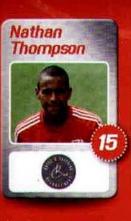
























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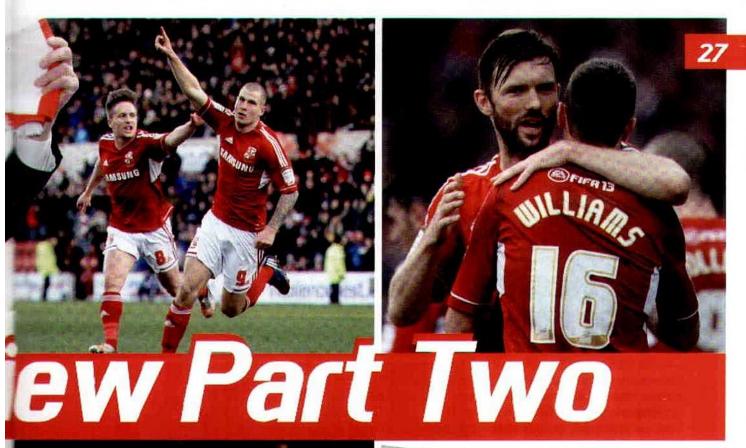
A call to supporters to come down to SN1 and help with the efforts was heeded by over 100 Town fans

After reviewing the first half of the campaign in the Tranmere Rovers edition of the matchday programme, today features part two of the season, which has been as busy as the first!

FOLLOWING a rollercoaster ride in 2012 that had taken in a league title, a Wembley appearance and a number of higher-division scalps in cup competitions, Town kicked off 2013 with a demolition of Portsmouth at The County Ground, James Collins stepped off the bench to notch four of Swindon's five goals against Pompey including an impressive 12-minute hat-trick. Four days later, Swindon would rack up another big win against Carlisle. Andy Williams opened the scoring with a wonderfully taken goal. The former Yeovil frontman bagged a second while further strikes from James Collins and Raffaele De Vita sealed a 4-0 win.

The following Saturday, Paolo Di Canio took his team to the Goldsands Stadium to face an AFC Bournemouth side enjoying a resurgence under the returning Eddie Howe. After going behind in the first half, a mistake from David James allowed Andy Williams to side-foot home a precious equaliser in monsoon-like conditions.

A week later, heavy snowfall on Friday left a foot-deep layer of the white stuff on the County Ground pitch. With the match against Shrewsbury the following day looking like it would fall foul of the weather along with a number of other league fixtures, manager Paolo Di Canio, along with his backroom staff and club staff, grabbed a shovel and began to clear the snow off the pitch. A call to supporters to come down to SN1 and help with the efforts was heeded by over 100 Town fans, prompting the manager to buy pizzas to feed the willing band of volunteers. After nearly nine hours of solid work, the pitch was completely cleared.











Defender Darren Ward and midfielder Tommy Miller were placed in temporary charge of the first-team...

An 8am pitch inspection on Saturday morning passed the surface fit to play. Spurred on by the efforts the night before, Town secured a 2-0 win over the Shrews. Chris Martin netted his first goal in Swindon colours from the penalty spot and celebrated by diving into the excess snow that had been piled on the edges of the pitch.

Three days later, Swindon travelled to Leyton Orient in the rearranged Boxing Day game but were held to a goal-less draw at the Matchroom Stadium. After failing to capitalise on a number of chances, Town were hit by the recurrence of an injury to Joe Devera.

With matters off the pitch slowly beginning to steal more of the headlines, Town started February with a televised draw at Crawley Town. A first-half penalty for the home side was cancelled out by another well-taken spot-kick from substitute Adam Rooney.

Another dusting of pre-match snow preceded Town's match at Colchester the following Tuesday. After a battling performance, James Collins grabbed the winner early in the second half to secure a precious 1-0 away success. Hartlepool United were the visitors to SN1 on Saturday 9th February with off-field matters now dominating in the media.

On the pitch, relegationthreatened Pools snatched a point in a 1-1 draw. The match proved to be the last of Paolo Di Canio's reign as manager of Swindon Town Football Club. The following Monday, the Italian, who had led Town to the League Two title the season before, announced his resignation ahead of a vital promotion clash at Tranmere Rovers.

With Di Canio's assistant Fabrizio Piccaretta in charge for the trip to Prenton Park, Swindon turned in an inspired performance on Merseyside. After James Collins opened the scoring, two spectacular efforts from Gary Roberts were the pick of the bunch in a 3-1 win that sent Town to the top of the League One table. The wide-man hit a stunning half-volley from the edge of the area that rocketed into the top corner before scoring from inside his own half when the goalkeeper had come up for a late corner.

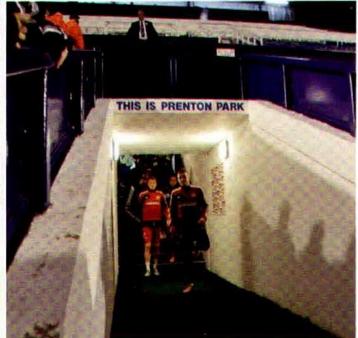
Despite the euphoria of such a crucial win, matters off the field continued to dominate. After the result at Tranmere, the entire backroom team resigned from their posts leaving a void on the coaching staff. At the request of the Town players themselves, defender Darren Ward and midfielder Tornmy









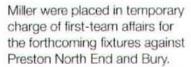












North End, themselves under the new management of Simon Grayson, took the lead at SN1 before Adam Rooney's well-taken strike secured a point.

With the takeover of the club formally confirmed at a press conference on Monday, the new owners and Board were in place to watch Town's match against Bury the next day. Unfortunately for Town, they succumbed to a 1-0 defeat.

A turbulent month of February ended on Thursday evening and a new epoch in the history of the club began with the appointment of Kevin MacDonald as manager. Following his unveiling on Friday 1st March, the former Leicester City and Liverpool midfielder was thrust straight into action at Coventry City the next day.

Over 3,000 Town fans made the journey to the Ricoh Arena and watched as the visitors went a goal down very early on. Andy Williams bundled home a late equaliser before Darren Ward headed home the winner in the 90th minute to send the travelling support into raptures and give the new man the perfect start to his tenure.

MacDonald's first home game against play-off hopefuls Walsall ended in a 2-2 draw despite Town twice taking the lead. Andy Williams scored the first and Simon Ferry restored Swindon's lead after Will Grigg's leveller. Having scored a very late goal the week before, Town were given a taste of their own medicine as Dean Smith's men

snatched a point with a 90th minute equaliser.

Tuesday saw Swindon travel to another of their promotion rivals, Brentford. Simon Ferry scored his second goal in as many games to open the scoring at Griffin Park only for the Bees to hit back with two second-half strikes to claim all three points.

A week later, Adam's Rooney's penalty broke the deadlock in the televised clash at West Country rivals, Yeovil Town. With time almost up, Alan McCormack fed James Collins who smashed home a second and secure an important 2-0 win for the Town.

After a home draw against Notts County, the following Thursday saw the arrival of three players on loan. With the transfer embargo lifted, Kevin MacDonald swooped for forward Dean Parrett, midfielder Massimo Luongo and defender Nathan Byrne, all from Tottenham Hotspur's under-21 side. The trio made their Town debut against Oldham Athletic on Good Friday as a stunning overhead kick from Adam Rooney rescued a point for Swindon. Another television date was set for Easter Monday at league leaders Doncaster Rovers. A late header condemned Town to a 1-0 defeat.

Swindon would have to wait eight days before they stepped out onto the pitch again but another crucial match at MK Dons ended in defeat for Swindon. After seeing a goal disallowed in the first half, a double from the home side sealed a 2-0 loss.

With the big games coming thick and fast, Swindon next















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Tuesday's result now leaves Swindon sixth in the League One table...

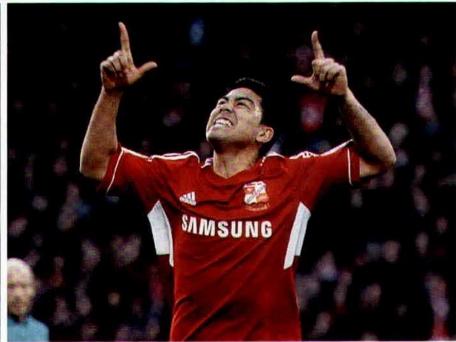
made the journey north to Bramall Lane. Former Town manager Danny Wilson had been removed from his position as manager at Sheffield United earlier in the week with Chris Morgan put in charge as his interim replacement.

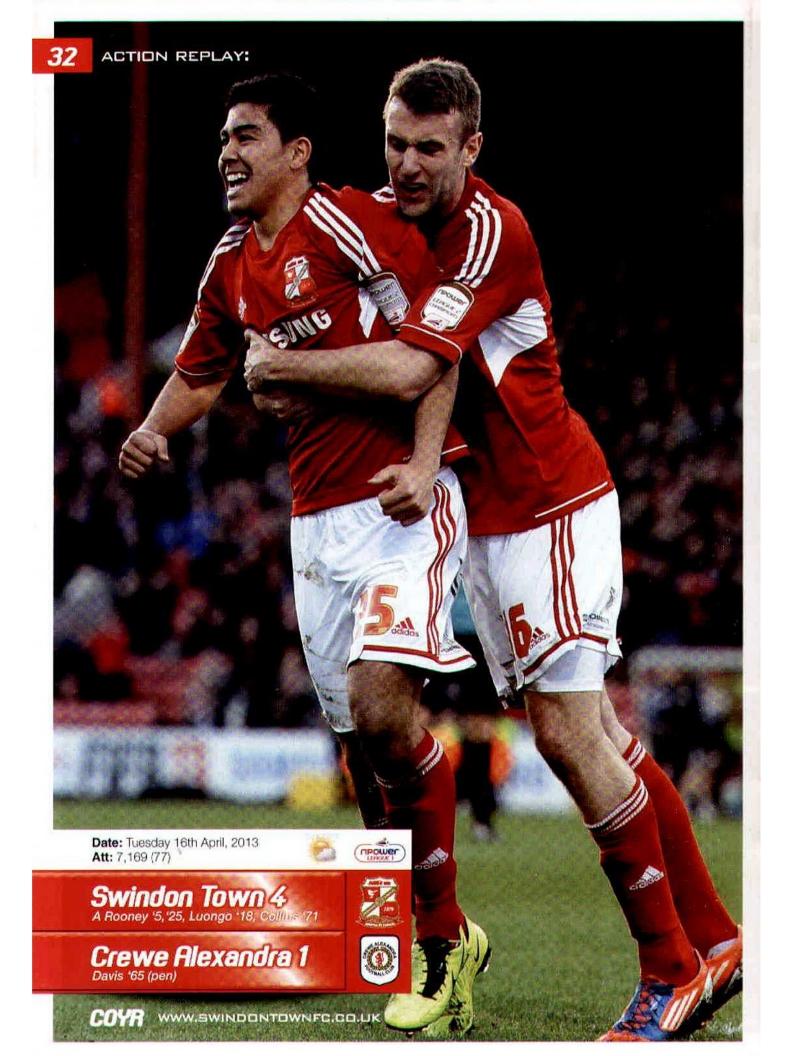
Town felt the full force of the 'new manager effect' as they succumbed to another 2-0 defeat, their third defeat on the spin. Despite the result, the day would prove to be a memorable one for Academy Scholar Mark Francis, who stepped off the bench in the second half to make his senior debut.

Having had the original fixture postponed due to the visitors' involvement in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy Final at Wembley, Crewe Alexandra were the next visitors to SN1 just three days later. Town made the perfect start, scoring after just five minutes through Adam Rooney. Tottenham loanee Massimo Luongo added a second before Rooney headed home a third. Despite the visitors pulling a goal back from the penalty spot, James Collins put a gloss on the scoreline with a calmly taken fourth.

Tuesday's result now leaves Swindon sixth in the League One table, four points clear of their nearest challengers MK Dons. A win this afternoon would seal Town's place in the end-ofseason lottery.







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The final-day trip to Hull City would prove academic in the end. With Northampton Town confirmed as champions, Swindon played out a 1-1 draw in Yorkshire with Ernie Hunt notching his 27th goal of a very impressive season.

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John Stevens in a tussle for possession against Bournemouth and the programme from the final-day encounter at Hull City

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Words: Tons Otrobski

A campaign disrupted by heavy snowfall and freezing temperatures was nearing its conclusion for Bert Head's Swindon Town.

After two consecutive defeats in Division Three. Swindon fuelled their assault on promotion by registering two home victories at the end of April. Bournemouth & Boscombe Athletic were despatched 2-1 at The County Ground thanks to goals from John Stevens and Ernie Hunt. The pair were on target again three days later as Carlisle United were beaten 2-0. Crucially, this victory opened up a two point gap over thirdplaced Peterborough United.

In their next outing, Swindon needed an 82nd minute penalty from Hunt to rescue a point against lowly Halifax Town who, at the time, were cut adrift at the foot of the table. Two days later, a double from Roger Smart ensured maximum points for Bert Head's side at Colchester United. Crucially, this result, combined with Peterborough's defeat at Southend, put Swindon on the brink of promotion.

Over 20,000 crammed into The County Ground for the visit of Shrewsbury on Tuesday 14th May, 1963 hoping to witness a little bit of history. After 88 tense minutes of football. Roger Smart wrote himself into Swindon Town folklore by scoring the winning goal in front of the Town End, clinching the club's first ever promotion.

In the celebrations that followed, manager Bert Head was delighted that his faith in Town's young players had paid dividends.

"I have always been confident, right from the early stages, that our youth policy would see us







SWINSON TOWN

John Stevens in the thick of the action at a packed County Ground against Shrewsbury Town

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Match Analysis...

The Robins gave their play-off ambitions a shot in the arm with a dominant 4-1 win over Crewe.

TOWN'S lively opening saw them break the deadlock in the fifth minute. McCormack's floated diagonal free-kick was headed back across goal by Aden Flint for Adam Rooney to bundle home from inside the six-yard box.

Having almost conceded, Swindon raced away upfield and doubled their lead. Gary Roberts hooked a long cross back into the area where Massimo Luongo was on hand to direct a diving header beyond Alan Martin.

Luongo then turned provider for Swindon's third. His whipped comer was met by Adam Rooney at the near post and his glancing header flashed beyond the Crewe defenders on the line and into the net.

McCormack and Williams both

tried their luck once more before the break while Byron Moore's snapshot at the other end crashed off the bar before flying over.

At the start of the second fortyfive, Gary Roberts had the ball in the back of the net but was denied by the referee who had blown for a foul moments earlier.

Adam Rooney almost added a fourth before the visitors pulled a goal back. Crewe skipper Harry Davis converted from the spot to make the score 3-1.

Just two minutes later, Town had restored their three-goal lead. Second-half substitute James Collins robbed the defender before advancing on goal and slotting calmly beyond Martin.



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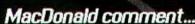


THE Australian scored his first Town goal with a bullet header from inside the box to make it 2-0 to the Robins...









"THE lads played very, very well although they got sloppy towards the end, but we have always made chances in our home games and we managed four. We started well and got the early goal, and we got our just deserts which meant the crowd enjoyed the game tonight because we played some good foctball. We played well and created other chances, but you score as a team and concede as a team."

Luongo comment...

"FOR the goal I remember their player was about to kick my head off so I had to get in quick! I jumped in first and it was great to see the ball hit the back of the net. We pressed Crewe high and the crowd really got behind us tonight. It put us at ease a little bit but the early goal set the game up. Now we can look forward to Saturday and with one more win we can secure a play-off place."

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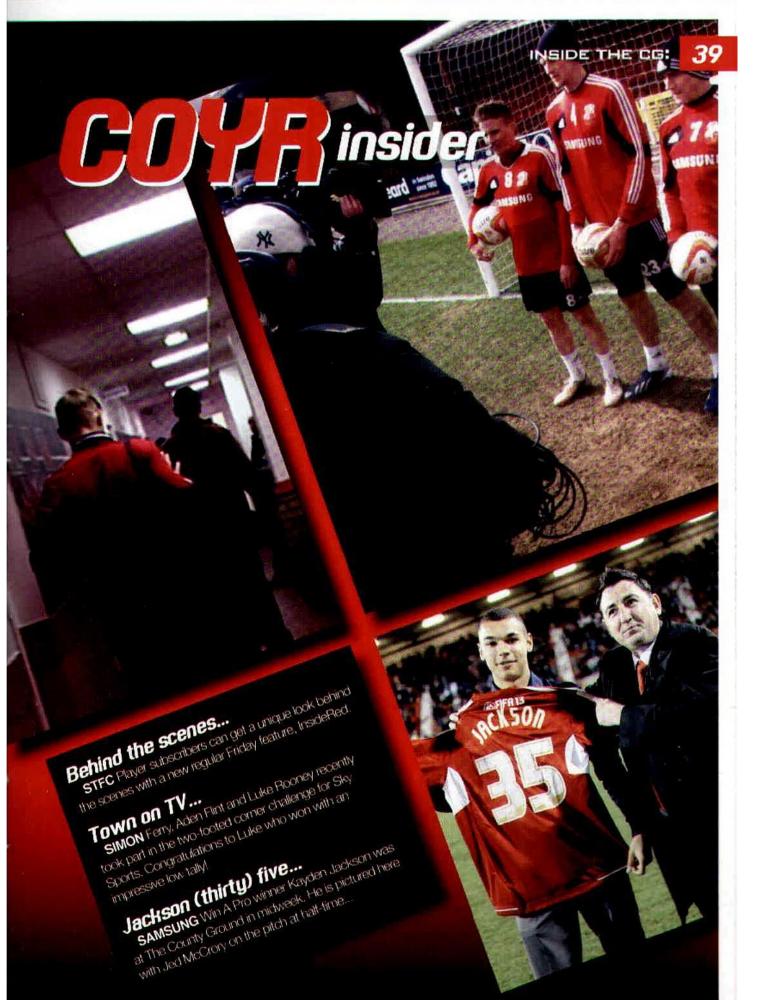
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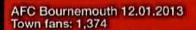
Coventry City 02.03.2013 Town fans: 3,000 plus



Brentford 12.03.2013 Town fans: 1,553

Town on tour...







Preston North End 02.09.2012 Town fans: 867



Shrewsbury Town 29.09.2012 Town fans: 875



Stoke City 28.08.2012 Town fans: 1,200





Swindon Town fans have followed the team in big numbers away from home this season. Here are a few stats from 2012/13:

Total away round trip miles: 6,378.8

Total away round trip travel: 4 days 20 hours

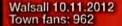
Average away attendance: 918

Average away trip miles: 135.6

Average away round trip miles: 271.2









Oxford United 05.09.2012 Town fans: 1,311



Hartlepool United 18.08.2012 Town fans: 461



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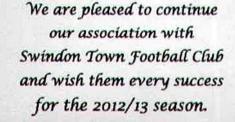
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A promotion challenge, a cup run, a change of manager, a change of owner, a flirt with the dreaded A-word, a charge to the top of the league and back down again - and through it all the fans have been the one major constant.

The team has chopped and changed, the management at every level is different to this time 12 months ago but the Town End, Don Rogers and Arkell's still boast the same familiar faces, and that is a credit to you all.

On Tuesday the players came out of the traps with venom and bite that got the supporters onside and we were all reminded just how enjoyable an experience a game at The County Ground can be.

It's another massive match this afternoon, with three points guaranteeing an extension to the season and another play-off campaign. Let's try to keep that togetherness for another 90 minutes.

Talking of the play-offs, it seems odd to me that the two-legged semi-finals will all be played within 70 hours of each other. With first legs of May 3 and 4 and second legs on May 6, fans wanting to go to both are not being given much leeway by the Football League to regulate their cashflow while the players are set for minimal rest between ties.

It's a common factor now in football - those who used to be most important come last. We've seen it with the kick-off time for the FA Cup final on May

11. Two clubs in the north-west, Manchester City and Wigan, have to head to Wembley for their big day out yet the FA schedules the match to start at 5.15pm, despite the warnings from Virgin Trains that they are unable to add extra services later in the evening.

So, Virgin are left in the unenviable position of having to advise fans to leave the game early. It's the biggest match in Wigan's history, so I'm sure their 25,000 travelling fans wouldn't mind missing the last 20 minutes or so. Bonkers.

Thankfully, at Swindon the fans are being considered somewhat better and I applaud the kid for a guid scheme in the Excalibur Stand this afternoon and the season-ticket price freeze that saw over 5,000 sign up last

Football belongs to those who love it. Sometimes that's too easily forgotten.



FA Cup: Manchester City fans

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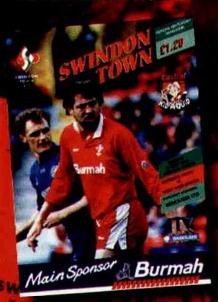
The Robins went into the final home game of the campaign unbeaten in 11 matches at The County Ground, with West Ham United the visitors...

Words: Dave Walls

Swindon Town 1 West Ham United 3

Date: Sunday 2nd May 1993

Attendance: 17,004



WE went into the last home game of the season in front of the TV cameras, unbeaten at home in 11 games, but facing the team that would finish the day, and the season, in second a play-off place though, and place in the Division One table.

Town held their own until two minutes before half-time when Trevor Morley gave West Ham the lead, then Clive Allen doubled the visitors' advantage from a Julian Dicks' ball just before the hour mark.

Three minutes later Micky Hazard capitalised on a mistake by West Ham's keeper Ludek Miklosko to give us hope, but Kenny Brown finished the game with his first touch after coming

on as a substitute with eight minutes to go to give United a 3-1 victory.

Well beaten and nervous on the day, Town had had their chances. Referee Holbrook waved on what looked like a deliberate back pass to Miklosko and ignored a felling of Martin Ling in the penalty

Steve White turned a shot wide and with Paul Bodin unavailable at left back through injury, replacement left back Adi Viveash was himself injured off before half an hour was up.

With Town forced into a defensive reshuffle, West Ham took advantage.

Town were still guaranteed with one eye on motivating his players Hoddle said 'This defeat hurts me and I hope it hurts my players just as much. At 2-1 down I always thought we could get back. We played excellent football right up to the vital areas where we did not finish".

The play-offs awaited then, and with an incredible sixteen goals over our three games still to come, what excitement they would bring.



Fraser Digby, Nicky Summerbee, Adi Viveash (Brian Marwood), Glenn Hoddle, Colin Calderwood, Shaun Taylor, Micky Hazard, Ross MacLaren, Dave Mitchell, Martin Ling, Steve White (Craig Maskell).

West Ham United:

Ludek Miklosko, Tim Breacker, Julian Dicks, Steve Potts, Tony Gale, lan Bishop, Mark Robson (Clive Allen), Peter Butler, David Speedie, Trevor Morley (Kenny Brown) Kevin Keen.



We played excellent football right up to the vital areas where we did not finish...

Player Review:

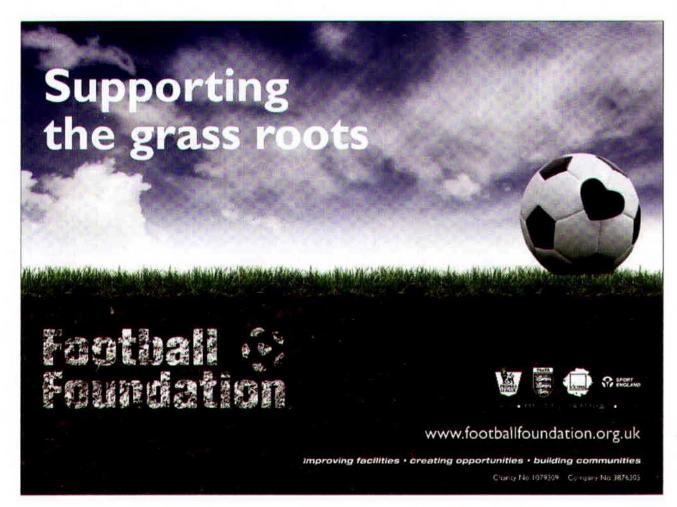
Words: Tom Otrebski



John Moncur

Season Stats: Appearances: 19 Goals: 2

THE 1992/93 season was a frustrating one for John Moncur, with injury causing him to miss a lot of the campaign. He recovered in time to make a substitute appearance in the defeat at Barnsley on the final day of the season and hit the ground running in the Play-offs, playing his part in securing Town's promotion. Moncur played in all three play-off games, scoring at Tranmere to help ensure Swindon's place at Wembley. He set up Swindon's second and third goals against Leicester.







Community News Update...

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's final home League One game of the season against Stevenage. Come on you Reds!

TODAY as part of our ever popular Saturday Team Club Package we would like to welcome teams from four clubs to The County Ground. We have pleasure in welcoming Kingston Colts, Fairford Youth U9's, Wanborough Wasps U10's, U12's, U9's and also Wroughton Youth. Today's teams are here with their respective coaches Andy Gardner, Stephen Dark, Gary Sumner and Paul Brown.

A special welcome goes to Kingston Colts who have attended our Saturday Team Club package for the last four seasons. They are playing on the pitch at half-time today so please give them a big cheer!

Alan McDonald tribute match

ON Sunday 28th April a tribute match will take place at The CG in memory of former Town defender Alan McDonald, who sadly passed away in June 2012 following a heart attack aged just 48. The game will be contested between the Hungerford Veterans side that played at Wembley in 2000 against the current Hungerford Veterans side. Many of the team from 2000 played













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Saturday Team Club: Today's visitors to STFC, Wroughton Youth Football Club

alongside Alan during his playing days, including Jimmy Quinn, Dave Hockaday and Tom Jones. Entry will be via donation in aid of the Alan McDonald Trust with proceeds going to the British Heart Foundation. Kick-off will be 1pm and entry to the stadium will be via the Legends Lounge. Fans attending are also welcome to attend the post-match reception, where an auction will take place including a signed Chelsea shirt, a signed Manchester United football and a Manchester City match shirt signed by Micah Richards.

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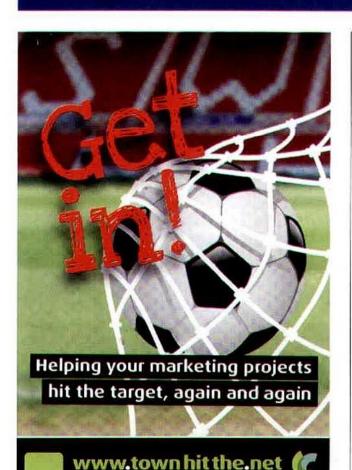
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Jeremy Newton...

Swindon Town Academy Manager Jeremy Newton talks about end of the season plans ahead of another summer trip to the Northern Ireland Milk Cup in July...



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End of Season...

THE Academy will close on Monday 20th May as the season comes to a close. The campaign has been an extremely busy one as it has been the first for STFC as an Academy under the Eite Player Performance Plan.

At the start of next month, for two weeks. I will have one-to-one reviews with every player in the STFC Academy. These will take place at The County Ground and each player will either be retained by the club, or released. As Academy Manager, this is one of the toughest parts of the job having known some of the players for perhaps ten years or more. Those lucky enough to be retained by STFC will sign new contracts and given pre-season plans to take away with them. All Academy players will report back on Monday 1st July for the start of another exciting season.

FPPP

MUCH of this year's work has been channelled towards our EPPP category three audit which will take place shortly after the start of the 2013/14 season.

As a department, we have had visits from the Football League to advise and support what we have in place and I have earmarked our club to be one of the first category three teams to be audited. This is due to all the hard work that has gone in by the full-time staff, supported by a large group of dedicated part-time staff. All staff have had an incredible amount of extra workload and it is a testament to both them and the STFC Academy that we are in this position.

Northern Ireland Milk Cup...

SWINDON Town Football Club will once again be entering a team

Thanks again to the STFC Supporters Club for their backing...

into the Northern Ireland Milk Cup this summer. This is thanks once again to the fantastic and longstanding financial support of the STFC Supporters Club, who will be funding the trip.

As an Academy we feel that this trip, which will take place in July, is fundamental to the short and long-term development of our youngsters. A lot of the Academy players in the STFC system have taken part in tours previously, for example to Holland or the Cayman Islands, which will have prepared them well for the Milk Cup.

Players in the STFC first team squad who have been with us to the Milk Cup as Academy players include Nathan and Louis Thompson, Leigh Bedwell, Connor Waldon, Aaron Oakley, Matty Jones, Alex Ferguson, Aaron Ferris and Jake Simpson. Look out for updates on the official club website over the summer for news regarding the STFC Academy.

Thank You to the Board of Directors, first team management and players, STFC staff, Academy full & part-time staff and the parents and players who have supported the Academy throughout the season.



Winners: Swindon Town won the Junior Milk Cup in 2006 with Billy Bodin seen here





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Facebook Captions

Fans submitted captions to the below image of groundsman Marcus Cassidy chatting to Simon Ferry earlier this week. Here are the results!







Jack Lenaghan Is that Paolo trying to get over that fence again?



Fred Brown Get back to work Cassidy!



Barry Thorpe Sorry about your hair, son. I'll try a different bucket next time.



Ashley Cain
I am telling you Si, I had
wacky hair once. Don't
abuse it, it will not last
forever...



Matthew Buck
Theres a hole in your
bucket dear marcus
sorry si got me
headphones in.



Mavis Knight It's true Si, if you sit here long enough you can see the grass grow?



Barbara Tucker
I think I could play the part of Rockin' Robin nxt season.. what do u think?



Pat Fagan Simon, I wish I had hair like yours.



Shaun King
Are you sure that
drinking this whitewash
will make my hair grow
back Simon?



Lee Downes
Well Marcus, thats the
whole stadium searched
and will still havent
found your neckl



Butterworth Solomusic No matter how hard we try, we can't remove the smell of pizza from this dugout.



lan Cooke
Simon is asking Marcus
to make the away goal
bigger and the home
one smaller. With are
reminder to swap ends
at half time.





Top Tweet... @AFlint4

Broken nose and a thick ear! Decent

Top Tweet... @alannavarro31

Get in there boys, just the start we needed #STFC.





Top Tweet... @NathanByrne_

Buzzing to get the win last night and to get a members MOTM award. Also buzzing for @MassLuongo 1st goal. On to Saturday!

Top Tweet... @MassLuongo

great feeling tonight... havnt had a win in a long time., well done to the lads, and happy with my first goal!



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Supporters Club

The STFC Supporters Club end of season dinner takes place on Tuesday 23rd April after what has been a successful 2012/13 campaign.

AS we reach the final home game of the league season, there is still much to play for and the division we will be playing in next season is not yet certain. We can but hope for the best and hopefully the dream of bringing Championship football back to The County Ground for next season may yet be achieved.

Suffice to say the season has been a real rollercoaster with issues in one shape or form never far from the surface, but the fans have been there doing their best to hasten success at the football club.

The Supporters Club has again done what it does best; look after fans' interests and generate financial support enabling us to support ground improvements, youth development and bringing some tangible benefits for our members. Our plan will be to continue with that successful route again next

season and with grateful thanks to my sterling band of committee members, half-time draw sellers and of course members for their support throughout the season. See you all back here for the play-off campaign.

Applications for Supporters Club membership are now being taken ahead of next season, at the same prices as usual, unless you use that Oldham half-time draw ticket when applying for membership when you get a £1 discount.

Pounds for Points...

THE season's total currently stands at 4,022,50 and a win today and in our last match will give a timely boost to the fund and reward Mavis Knight's hard work in maintaining the interest. Grateful thanks to all the contributors and

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Just the ticket...

HAPPY Birthday to Jake Humphreys who will be 13 next Saturday. He will receive his first ever STFC Season Ticket as a gift!



Fraser's special day...

HAPPY Birthday to Season Ticket holder Fraser Blake who celebrated his 8th birthday on Friday 19th April.



Birthday wishes...

MANY happy returns to Town supporter Nathan Coupland who will be 15-years old today!



The fans have been there doing their best to hasten success at the football club.

the funds raised go directly to youth development including the trip to the Milk Cup in Ireland, The Supporters Club will once again be contributing over £10,000 towards participation in the tournament which not only involves Premier League sides, but those from the world of football, including the South Americas and Europe.

Half-time draw...

TODAY's winner will take home a first prize of £1,000, with the second prize being a Season Ticket and a third prize of a first team shirt for the coming season. The winners at Tuesday's match were:

- 1. C Forrest of Portsmouth won £520 with ticket 678
- 2. M Thomson of Swindon won £55 with ticket 1075

Away travel...

SALLY and Marc have once again provided a superb service for fans and once again our away support has been fantastic. There is just one more match to book for which is the league season's finale and who knows how important that could be! Then there's the possibility of the play-offs including another trip to Wembley. Watch this space!

Player of the Year dinner...

FULL details of this event will be published on the Supporters Club website and on the official club website on Wednesday next week, so keep your eyes peeled to see who the fans have determined has made a super contribution this season.

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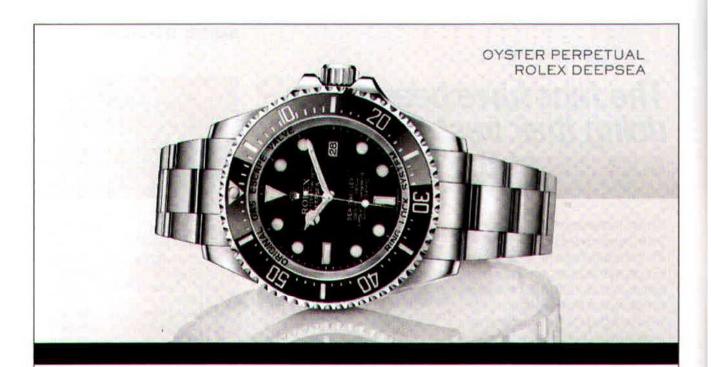
HAPPY Birthday to Fred Brown, a member of the maintenance team at The CG, who turned 65 on Wednesday!



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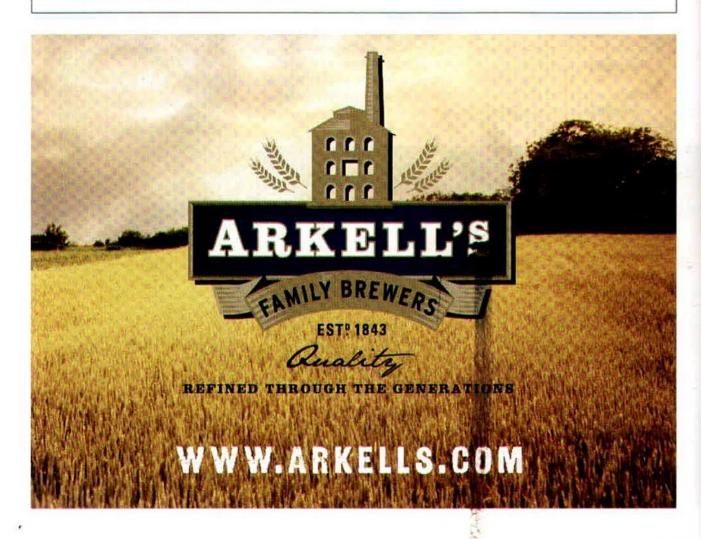




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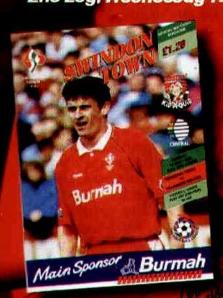
Premier Bound...

A victory for Town today against Stevenage would secure a Play-Off place. Can history repeat itself as the Robins look to reach Wembley for a sixth time?



Words: Dave Wallis

Swindon Town (3) 2 Tranmere Rovers (1) 3 BOUND 1st Leg, Sunday 16th May 1993 2nd Leg, Wednesday 19th May 1993



SO, Town had finished fifth in Division One and faced the playoffs to decide which team took their place in the Premier League.

In our way stood Tranmere
Rovers over a two legged semi,
with the winners facing either
Leicester City or Portsmouth at
Wembley for the ultimate prize of
a place at the top table.

Rovers had finished the season one place and three points ahead of Town, and over 14,000 supporters gathered at the County Ground on 16th May 1993 to see the teams do battle.

In the heart of Tranmere's defence was Steve Vickers, a man with 300 Rovers' appearances, but that did little to prepare him for the start he was

about to endure.

Within two minutes the defender had turned a Nicky Summerbee ball past his own goalkeeper Eric Nixon to gift Town the lead, then barely sixty seconds later it was Vickers' misplaced pass that allowed Dave Mitchell to double our advantage.

John Aldridge had a headed effort ruled out for the away side, but then Craig Maskell intercepted a Vickers pass and fed Mitchell before collecting the return to steer Town three goals to the good.

With almost 60 minutes gone John Morrissey pulled one back for Rovers to make it 3-1, but the final whistle left a breathless crowd and an appreciative TV audience looking forward to the next instalment.

The action resumed and the goals continued to flow three days later in the second leg at Prenton Park.

First John Moncur restored
Town's three goal cushion after
a Martin Ling run, then goals
from Mark Proctor and Pat Nevin
after an uncharacteristic fumble
by Town keeper Fraser Digby
brought Rovers right back into
contention.

Next it was 5-3 as Craig Maskell fired home for Town at the Town had finished fifth and faced the play-offs to decide which team took their place in the Premier League...

second attempt, before player/ boss Glenn Hoddle conceded the penalty that Kenny Irons despatched with seven minutes remaining.

That left us with a nervous end to the game as Rovers looked to level the aggregate score at 5-5, but at the final whistle it was Town supporters who celebrated amongst the 16,000 crowd.

And so to Wembley...





Play-offs & Tickets

SWINDON Town supporters are advised to keep their match tickets from today's home fixture with Stevenage, ahead of a potential home Play-Off fixture. 2012/13 Season Ticket holders will be given first priority for Play-Off tickets, followed by those who have a match ticket for the home game with Stevenage.

1st Leg (A) - Friday 3rd May 2013, kick-off 7.45pm

1st Leg (B) - Saturday 4th May 2013, kick-off 5.20pm

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To qualify for a Junior price you must be 15 or under on the day of the fixture. Unaccompanied 12-14 year olds will be issued tickets in the family enclosure. Under 12's must be accompanied by an Adult in all areas. To qualify for a FREE under 10 ticket, children need to join the Junior Reds for a ONE OFF PAYMENT OF \$25\$, proof of age will be required at time of purchase. Under 10's must be accompanied by a full paying Adult. To avoid long queues on matchdays it is advantageous to register and purchase family-FREE under 10 tickets in advance." Please note Juniors must be accompanied by an Adult in the Fastplant Town End.

Trip Advisor...

Next weekend Town travel to Scunthorpe United for the final away game of the League One season...



The Journey...

00000 By Train: The station is over two miles away from the stadium. Therefore a taxi is probably the easiest way to get to the ground. If you fancy a walk, turn left out of the station and head towards the crossroads (facing a church) and turn right into Oswald Road, going past a set of traffic lights and the Honest Lawyer and Blue Bell pubs. At the next traffic lights turn left into Doncaster Road then just go straight down this road and you will eventually reach Glanford Park on your left. Otherwise as you pass the Blue Bell pub on your left, turn left onto Doncaster Road where you can catch

By Car: Glanford
Park is situated on the outskirts of Scunthorpe, very close to the motorway.
Leave the M180 at Junction 3 and take the M181 for Scunthorpe. At the end of this motorway, you will see the ground on your right. Turn right at the first roundabout onto the A18 and right again into the large car park at the ground. For local travel and matchday news, tune into BBC Radio Humberside on 95,9FM and 1485AM.

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Staying Over...

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the ground. The hotel has 188 spacious bedrooms, a big leisure club and spa, events centre and fantastic restaurants. The 27 hole golf course is a challenge for even lower

handicapped golfers and could provide a nice way to wind down after hopefully seeing Town take three points on the Saturday!

Grab a Bite...

A range of options:

Options close to the stadium include McDonalds, KFC, Frankie and Benny's, a Pizza Hut and a family pub. The Old Farmhouse pub admits away fans providing they are not

wearing team colours whilst another option for away supporters is The Berkeley. Catering outlets are also on-site at Glanford Park.

Enjoy a Drink...

At the ground: Beer is served in the away stand and the popular 'two pint pot' option will be available for Town fans.

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Things to do ...

Normanby Hall Country Park:

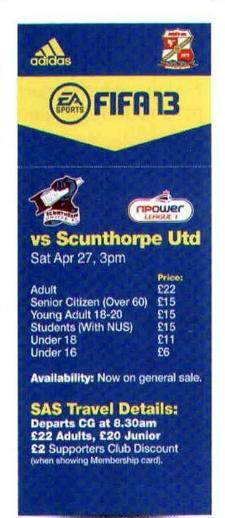
Award winning gardens, a stunning Regency mansion, exceptional wildlife or just a relaxing day out. Normanby Hall was home to the Sheffield family, former Dukes of Buckingham and original owners of Buckingham Palace. Restored in 1997 to its late Victorian splendour, it offers a nostalgic step back in time to the great heyday of kitchen gardening. The Farming Museum showcases re-creations of rural life, Normanby Hall Country Park is four miles north of Scunthorpe off the B1430.

The Stadium... 00000

Glanford Park: (Postcode: DN15) 8TD) The stadium opened its doors on Sunday 14th August 1988 and was given Royal approval by

> the Princess Alexandra and her husband Angus Ogilvy as a Scunthorpe side including Kevin Keegan took on a star-studded Football League XI. Scunthorpe United had to wait until

the end of the month to introduce the new around to league action as they played host to Hereford United, Swindon Town's last visit to Glanford Park was in November 2008 with Simon Cox scoring an impressive hat-trick to secure a share of the spoils.



Last time out at Glanford Park...



Scunthorpe United 3 Town 3

SIMON Cox was the name on everybody's lips after Town's last visit to Glanford Park in November 2008 when he registered an impressive treble. Maurice Malpas's side came into the match against the League One table-toppers off the back of two consecutive home wins and made the perfect start. Cox netted the opener after 15 minutes before the home side equalised just short of the half-hour. The Iron then re-took the lead before Cox hauled Swindon level. Krystian Pearce scored again just seven minutes later, the third goal in nine secondhalf minutes. With ten minutes to play, Cox fired home Swindon's third from the penalty spot to secure a point in a 3-3 draw, completing his second hat-trick of the campaign in the process.

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Tue 14	Brighton & H.A. CAP RI	H	3-0 W	5,737 (716)	Foderingham	McEveley	A-Henville	McCormack	Devera
Sat 18	Hartlepool United	A	0-0 D	4,132 (461)	Foderingham	McEveley	A-Herville	McComack	Devera
Tue 21	Crawley Town	H	3-0 W	7,658 (154)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	McCormack	Devera
Sat 25	MK Dons	н	1-0 W	8,299 (497)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	McComack	Devera
Tue 28	Stoke City CAP R2	Α	4-3 W	9,147 (1,200)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint 1	McCormack	Devera
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Sun 2	Preston North End	A	1-4 L	10,372 (867)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	McCormack	Devera
Wed 5	Oxford United JPT R1	A	0-1 L	7,746 (1,311)	Foderingham	Bessone	Ward	McCormack McCormack	Devera
Sat 8	Leyton Orient	H	0-1 L	8,072 (276)	Foderingham	Bessone	Flint Ward	McCormack McCormack	Devera Devera
Sat 15 Tue 18	Carlisle United Portsmouth	A	2-2 D 2-1 W	4,987 (315) 12,121 (1,455)	Foderingham Foderingham	McEveley McEveley	Ward	McCornack	Thompson
Sat 22	AFC Bournemouth	H	4-0 W	8,533 (752)	Foderingham	McEveley	Ward	McCormack	Thompson
Tue 25	Burnley CAP R3	Н	3-1 W	7,353 (455)	Foderingham	McEveley	A-Herwille 1	McCormack	Thompson
Sat 29	Shrewsbury Town	A	1-0 W	6,303 (875)	Foderingham	McEveley	Ward	McComack	Bessone
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Sat 6	Bury	A	1-0 W	2,683 (408)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Sat 13	Coventry City	H	2-2 D	9,808 (1,095)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Sat 20	Scunthorpe United	H	1-1 D	7,388 (185)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Tue 23	Crewe Alexandra	A	1-2L	4,010 (273)	Foderingham	McEveley	A-Henville	McCormack	Devera
Sat 27	Stevenage	A	4-0 W	4,518 (926)	Foderingham	Devera	Flint	Ward	McCormack
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Tue 6	Sheffield United	н	0-0 D	8,354 (814)	Foderingham	McEveley	Devera	Ward	Thompson
Sat 10	Walsall	A	2-0 W	4,139 (962)	Foderingham	McEveley	Devera	Ward	Thompson
Sat 17	Yeovil Town	Н	4-1 W	8,112 (433)	Foderingham	McEveley	Devera	Ward 1	McCormack
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Sat 15	Oldham Athletic	A	2-0 W	3,345 (297)	Foderingham	McCormack	Devera	Ward	Thompson
Fri 21	Tranmere Rovers	Н	5-0 W	8,885 (297)	Foderingham	McCormack	Devera	Ward	Thompson
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Tue 1	Portsmouth	н	5-0 W	11,381 (1,504)	Foderingham	McCornack	Devera	Ward	Thompson
Sat 5	Carlisle United	H	4-0 W	9,162 (246)	Foderingham	McCormack	Devera	Ward	Thompson
Sat 12	AFC Bournemouth	A	1-1 D	8,777 (1,374)	Foderingham	McComack	Devera	Ward	Thompson
Sat 19	Shrewsbury Town	H	2-0 W	7,754 (250)	Foderingham	McCormack.	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Tue 29	Leyton Orient	A	0-0 D	3,536 (794)	Foderingham	McCormack	Devera	Ward	Thompson
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Sat 2	Crawley Town	A	1-1 D	3,558 (699)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	Ward	McCormack
Tue 5	Colchester United	A	1-0 W	3,214 (337)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Sat 9	Hartlepool United	Н	1-1 D	9,973 (154)	Foderingham	McComack	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Tue 19		W	3-1 W	5,223 (447)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint Flint	Ward Ward	McCormack McCormack
Sat 23	Preston North End	H	1-1 D 0-1 L	9,145 (925) 7,508 (95)	Foderingham Foderingham	McEveley McEveley	Flint	Ward	McCormack
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Sat 9	Walsall Brentford	H	2-2 D 1-2 L	8,407 (481) 5,867 (1,553)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Tue 12 Tue 19	Yeovil Town	A	2-0 W	5,207 (546)	Foderingham	McEveley	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Sat 23	Notts County	H	0-0 D	8,415 (217)	Foderingham	McComack	Flint	Ward	Thompson
Fri 29	Oldham Athletic	н	1-1 D	10,040 (335)	Foderingham	McCornack	Flint	Ward	Thompson
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Tue 9	MK Dons	A	0-2 L	8,608 (1,196)	Foderingham	McCormack	Flint	Ward	Byrne
Sat 13	Sheffield United	A	0-2 L	19,298 (1,248)	Foderingham	McCormack	Flint	Ward	Вуте
Tue 16	Crewe Alexandra	Н	4-1 W	7,169 (77)	Foderingham	Byrne	Flint	Ward	Devera
Sat 20	Stevenage	H	3.00pm	MAIN MERCHA					-
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Pixtures for 2013/14 season will be released on Wednesday 19th June 2013 at 9am.









1 = Number of goals scored, First substitution, Second substitution, Third substitution

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League Table 2012/13

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Player Statistics 2012/13

No.	Player	Age	ME.	FAC	SP OF	Ы	Total	Goals	Yellow	Be	STFC
1	Foderingham	21	43	1	4	1	50		3		91
2	Archibald-Henville	24	3(2)	1	2	-	6(2)	1	2		6(2)
3	McEveley	28	27(1)	1	4		32(1)		6	+	41(1)
4	Flint	23	26(1)	1	2(1)	(1)	29(3)	1	5	2	67(B)
5	Devera	26	21(2)		3	1	25(2)		2	*	59(3)
6	Navarro	31	12(5)		3		15(5)	2	2	-	15(5)
7	L Rooney	22	1(8)	4	(1)	*	1(9)		1		12(11)
8	Ferry	25	32(11)	1	1(3)	1	35(13)	5	3		146(27)
9	Collins	22	27(16)	(1)	2(1)	4	29(18)	17	5	-	29(18)
11	Roberts	28	27(10)	1	2	4	30(10)	3	6		30(10)
12	McComack	29	36(2)		4	1	41(2)		9		88(6)
15	N Thompson	22	24(3)	1	1(1)		26(4)		В		30(10)
16	Williams	26	37(1)	1	3(1)	1	42(2)	12	3		42(2)
18	Miller	34	28(5)	-	4	(1)	32(6)	1	3		32(6)
19	L Thompson	18	1(2)	(1)			1(3)		-		1(4)
20	Storey	19	2(6)	*	(2)		2(8)	3			2(14)
22	Ward	34	37	1	100	1	39	2	4	12	39
23	De Vita	25	22(12)	1	2(1)	1	26(13)	8			62(23)
24	Bryne	20	4(1)				4(1)		1		4(1)
25	Luongo	20	5				5	1			5
28	A Rooney	24	9(18)	1	200	1	11(18)	9		*	11(18)
30	Bedwell	18	(1)				(1)				(1)
32	Smith	22	1	100				183	-41		(1)
37	Francis	17	(2)				(2)	14.		+	(2)
10	Ritchie	23	26(1)	(1)	4	114	30(2)	9	4	100	122(7)
14	Benson	33	6631	1	3	1	10(3)	3	1	-	37(6)
26	Hollands	27	8(2)	1	072	191	8(2)	2	2	-	8(2)
26	Parrett	21	3	-		-	3	- 10	-		3

Today's Mascots





Milly Colford: Age: 12





Woody Colford: Age: 10





Ilario Williams: Age: 11





Valerio Williams: Age: 9





Kai Surridge: Age: 9





Isabella Phipps: Age: 4



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Saturday 20th April 2013

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- Troy ARCHIBALD-HENVILLE
- 3 Jay McEVELEY
- Aden FLINT
- Joe DEVERA
- Alan NAVARRO
- Luke ROONEY
- Simon FERRY
- - 9 James COLLINS
 - 11 Gary ROBERTS
 - 12 Alan McCORMACK (CAPT)
- 15 Nathan THOMPSON
- 16 Andy WILLIAMS
- 18 Tommy MILLER
- 19 Louis THOMPSON
- 20 Miles STOREY
- 22 Darren WARD
- 23 Raffaele DE VITA
- 24 Nathan BYRNE
- 25 Massimo LUONGO
- 28 Adam ROONEY
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- 33 Alex FERGUSON
- 34 Connor WALDON
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Manager: Graham WESTLEY

- Steve ARNOLD (GK)
- 2 David GRAY
 - Lee HILLS
 - Darius CHARLES
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 - Anthony GRANT
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 - 11 Lucas AKINS
 - 14 Mark ROBERTS (CAPT)
 - 15 Luke FREEMAN
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 - 20 Anthony JEFFREY
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