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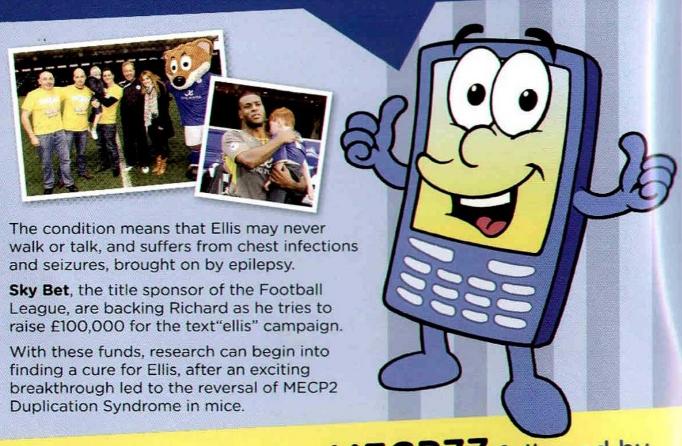






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**GOOD** afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground for the visit of Shrewsbury Town.



I can't quite believe how quickly time seems to be slipping away at the moment, it seems like only vesterday that we were all enjoying the sights, sounds and indulaences of Christmas and now we're coming towards the business end of the January transfer window. In fact, it won't be iona before we're all glued to our televisions as Transfer Deadline Day draws us into the annual late-night vigil. This edition of COYR is packed, as ever, with a whole host of delights to keep you entertained. Nathan Thompson is, of course, this week's featured interviewee and we have another quest writer in the form of Dave Hockaday who served both

'STFCs' with distinction. Tim of the Town is up to his usual tricks and First Team Physio, Paul Godfrey, is back in Coaches' Corner with another set of his PG's Tips. Finally, I'm sure you will all join the Club and me in wishing Ossie Ardiles a swift recovery after his car crash earlier this week. It was wonderful reading the reams of messages that came flooding into our Twitter and Facebook accounts. From everyone that was part of the Red and White Army at Wemblev in 1990 and from every Swindon supporter past and present: get well soon Ossie!

TOM OTREBSKI

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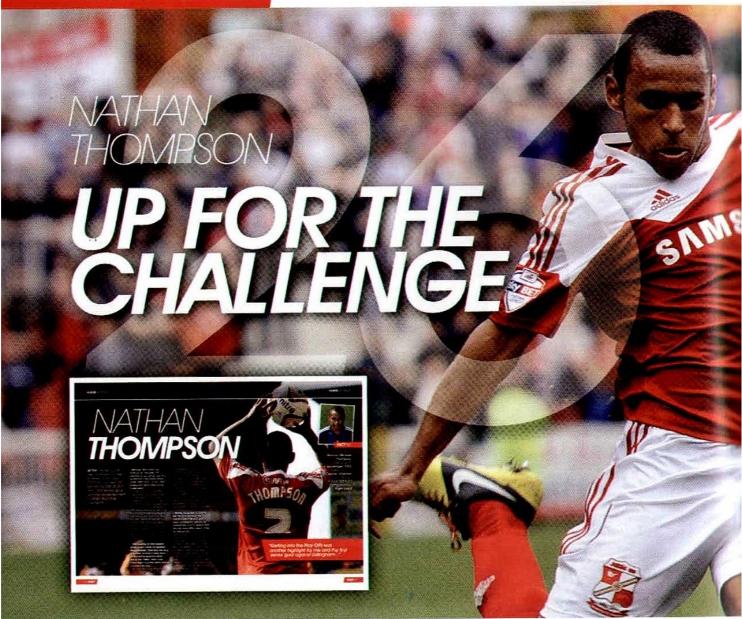
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# COOPER

**Bushwackers** 

Page Sponson

**GOOD** afternoon and welcome back to The County Ground for the visit of Shrewsbury Town in this League 1 encounter...

I was very disappointed with the two away defeats last week. We didn't carry any attacking threat and it just shows we have to have everybody at it; every one of the players has to be at it because we can't carry anvone and if we do have to carry people we'd be doing well to win any game. They're both games we should have got points out of and apologies to the supporters that travelled a long way. Like I said on Saturday - we're trying to get it right. It's a long process, we've got a lot of young players and they're learning about the negative side, which is, when you lose and when you play away from home it's a lot tougher than playing at The County Ground, so we have to get that right and we're trying our hardest to do it.

It's been frustrating recently that we've had to chop and change where we train but I'm not going to use it as an excuse. We haven't been able to use Liddington what with it being very wet. We've tried to have some work done on it which has meant we haven't been able to use it so we've just been trying to overcome that problem by doing different sorts of training like yoag or pilates.

When I think back to the match at Shrewsbury earlier this season, we were at our most frustrated that day. We gave silly goals away by overplaying



and there was a lot of soulsearching after that. Then in the away game immediately after that we went and beat QPR, so that's what football is: you have to take the rough with the smooth and this season was always going to be about putting a new group of players together and trying to get them to fit and they'll be better for it. Shrewsbury will be difficult to beat this afternoon. Any chink in our armour and they'll take advantage of it. They will be a team that will fight and scrap for every ball and they'll try and play some football as well. There's never any certainty in this game. If the eleven players we

pick want to play for Swindon Town then we'll have more of a chance. I would like to close by saying that we all appreciate and respect the following we get away from home. Hopefully we can get back to winning games this afternoon and then go away from home and get a win.

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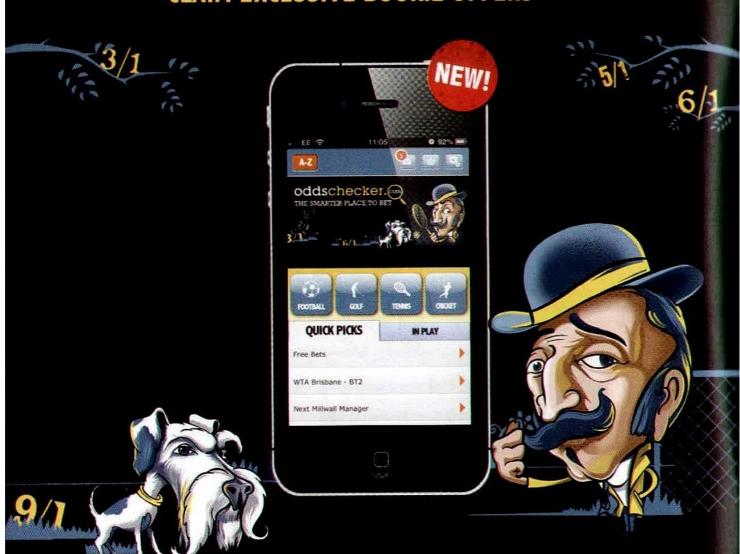
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**WELCOME** back to The County Ground for today's meeting with Shrewsbury Town...

**OBVIOUSLY** the last two results were disappointing for us, especially the Gillingham game where we thought we should have won the game. To concede when we did wasn't nice, after dominating them, especially in the second half and at the back end of the first half. We've been back on the training field this week looking to turn that around which we need to do and there is a lot of work to be done. We have to have a way to make it happen and to get results away from home. We have to keep pushing on - we have to. You don't have a choice unless you want to shrivel up and hide away you know you have to do it so that's what we intend to do. Our home form has been fantastic which we also have to look at and try to get the results that we feel we should be aetting away from home. So far, we have been making the most of home comforts and we can't wait to get back out here. We love plaving here at The County Ground and that's the kind of attitude we should look to adopt when we're away from home.

I think Shrewsbury will approach this game in the same way they did the last game. They will try to press us high and stop our game so we'll have to look at that and work at it to make sure that it doesn't happen again. No doubt they



will be up for it and we're looking into getting into the Play-Offs so it will be a real test and we're looking for a positive response after last week.

We've got to focus on what we're leading up to and, on the day of the games, the importance of why we're here and why we're there, away and at home so we've got to keep on focusing on that, Like I said at the beginning of the season, we have a very young bunch of lads here who are learning the trade and things aren't always going to be rosy all the way through. There will be sticky situations that will have to be addressed and we're constantly looking to do that.

The home support we've had this season has been fantastic.

You've played a huge part in why we've been a very good home team in this league. Our away support has also been fantastic and obviously it's not areat to see a lot of frustrated fans after the game, but at the same time we are trying, we're aiving everything and we're not trying to lose. We're trying to find ways to make it work and sometimes you've got to take the longer route to get to where you want to get to. We share a frustration with you all with regards to our results away from home, we really do. But, on another note, we would like everyone to stick together for the second part of the season now to turn it around because we'll be able to do that. We want you to stand by us and look at things in a positive way; that we are where we are because of the whole Club and the team and all of us pulling together.

DARREN WARD





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# BOARDROOM UPDATE



**WELCOME** back to The County Ground for this afternoon's League 1 fixture and a warm welcome to the players, management, supporters and Directors of Shrewsbury Town...

WE are hoping to get ourselves back on track after two very disappointing away results. It is well-documented that our away form has been very poor this year and it's something I know that Mark and the team are working hard to put right. To counter that, our home form has been superb: we need to maintain that whilst addressing our problematic away form.

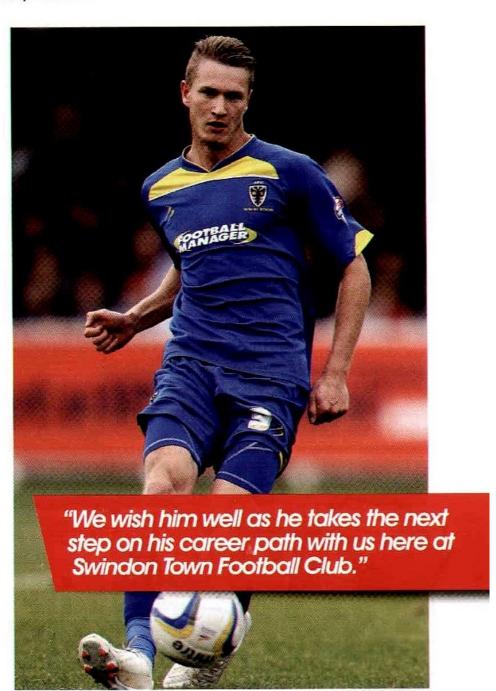
This week, we've also made the signing of Michael Smith from Championship side, Charlton Athletic. We're very excited by him: he is a young and hungry 'number nine' who we think has got a great future. In fact, so did three or four other clubs but we managed to beat them all to his signature and get the deal concluded late on Tuesday night. We wish him well as he takes the next step on his career path with us here at Swindon Town Football Club.

As I am writing these notes, I can reveal that we're still in talks with a number of clubs regarding a number of different possibilities. Maybe there might be one or two additions or exits before the end of this January transfer window.

Again, I would like to thank all of you for your support of the team both here at home and away from The County Ground. Stick with us and keep cheering us on.

#### LEE POWER

CHAIRMAN



# COMMERCIAL CONVIENTA



**KAY** Wainwright pens the latest commercial news for COYR and includes an invitation to snap up the remaining advertising opportunities at SN1...

#### New Sponsors...



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FIRSTLY, we would like to welcome two new Sponsors to the Club: Pebley Beach, who are sponsoring the back of the inside of the Don Rogers Stand as well as advertising in the matchday programme. Allen Ford are also now on board as sponsors of the scoreboard, poster sites and programme advertising. We look forward to growing these two magnificent partnerships.

#### January Sales...

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You can fill any open space that you feel you could put your branding on - anything is possible and open to negotiation. Let's pack out The County Ground. If you are interested, give me a call to make an appointment on 0844 880 1086 or email me on kay@swindontownfc.co.uk. I will do my best to get your boards up in time for the next home game.

I look forward to speaking to you soon. Enjoy a fantastic game and sing loud and proud. COYR!

#### KAY WAINWRIGHT

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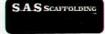












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vs Coventry City Match: Rug Shack **Ball:** T E Connectivity Prog: Merv Vowles Party



vs Crawley Town Match: First City Training **Ball: Inter Print** Prog: Garry Cook Party



vs Peterborough United Match: Excalibur Ball: T E Connectivity Prog: Advance Insurance



vs Shrewsbury Town Match: Verelogic Group Ball: Royal Mail 419ers **Prog: Prepay Solutions** 



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vs Preston North End Match: RJ Osman Ball: Excalibur **Prog: PrePay Solutions** 



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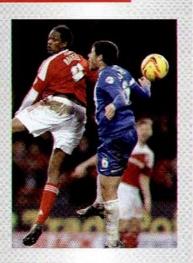
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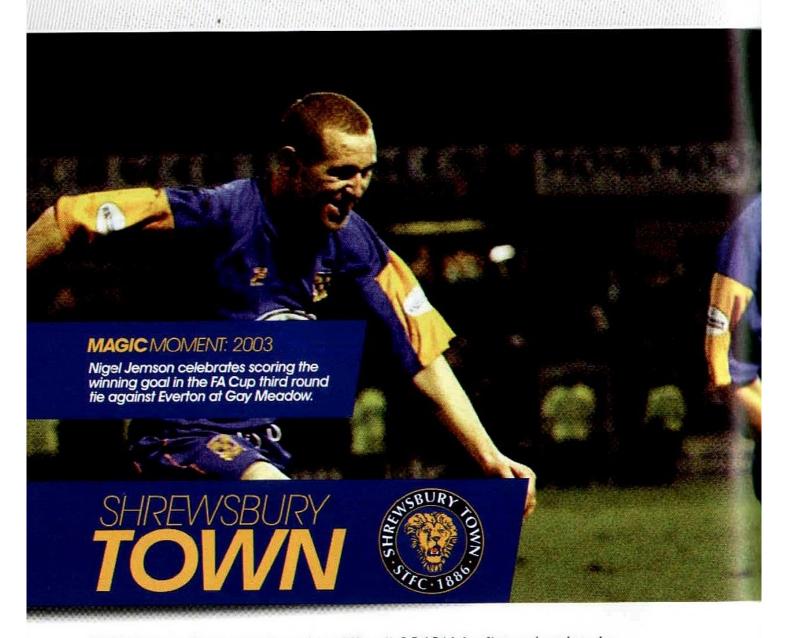
#### MAN OF THE MATCH



#### Nile Ranger

THE commanding centreforward led the line for Town in their last home outing against the Posh as Swindon ran out 2-1 winners against their promotion rivals. Ranger notched the opening goal of the game in the first half. His display caught the eye of Main Match Sponsors, Excalibut, who named him their Man of the Match. Town's number nine was presented with his bottle of champagne by a representative of the Excalibur party in the Sponsors' Suite post-match.



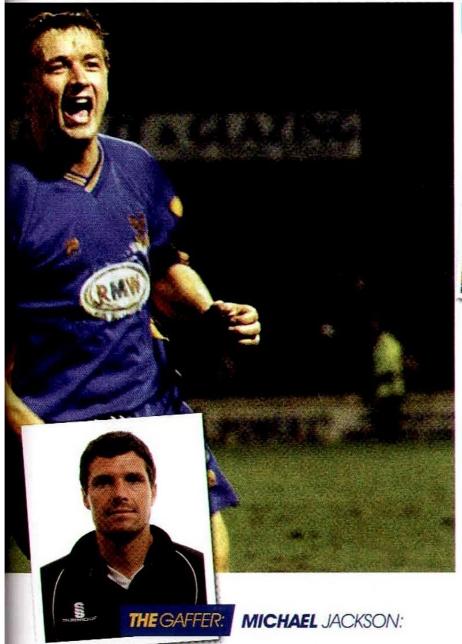


**THE** Shrews have endured a difficult 2013/14 after returning to League 1 last term...

AFTER picking up just one point from their opening three games, Town were on the other end of Shrewsbury's first three-point haul of the season: a 2-0 victory at Greenhous Meadow at the end of August. That sparked a sequence of four consecutive draws in the league that was ended by a 1-0 home reverse at Wolverhampton Wanderers. The Shrews would then not pick up another win until mid-October when another

two-goal salvo saw off
Gillingham. In between times,
they exited both the Capital
One Cup and the Johnstone's
Paint Trophy at the first stage.
November brought three wins
and three defeats including
victories over Sheffield United
and an away-day success at
Stevenage. At the start of that
month, the Shrews were also
dumped out of the FA Cup
by local rivals, Walsall. Two
narrow home defeats over
the Christmas period were

followed by a New Year's Day victory over Oldham Athletic at Boundary Park. Those three points punctuated a recent sequence of defeats: five in their last six games, a run that prompted manager Graham Turner to stand down from his position in midweek. They have lost successive fixtures at Greenhous Meadow at the hands of Leyton Orient and Rotherham and were beaten 3-2 by MK Dons on their last away trip.



JACKSON was appointed Caretaker Manager of Shrewsbury Town following Graham Turner's decision to stand down from his position this week. His playing career began at Crewe before he enjoyed a successful spell at Bury where he made 125 league appearances. He joined Preston North End in 1997 and would go on to skipper the Deepdale outfit during a seven-year stay. After a spell at Tranmere, he

then moved to Blackpool and went on to captain the Tangerines at Wembley as they secured promotion to the Championship in 2007. He finished his playing career at Greenhous Meadow after joining Shrewsbury in the summer of 2008. A persistent knee injury forced him to retire before he was invited to join the club's coaching staff working under Graham Turner as First Team Coach as well as taking charge of the reserves.

#### FACTFILE:

Nickname: The Shrews, Salop Stadium:

Greenhous Meadow Capacity: 9,875



#### CLUBHONOURS:

Welsh Cup:

Winners: 1891, 1938, 1977,

1979, 1984, 1985;

Runners Up: 1931, 1948, 1980

FA CUD:

Quarter Finalists: 1979, 1982

Football League Cup: Semi Finalists: 1961

Football League Trophy:

Runners Up: 1996 Area Finalists: 2003 Third Division (third tier): Champions: 1979

Third Division (fourth tier):

Champions: 1994

Fourth Division (fourth tier):

Runners Up: 1975 Promotion: 1958–59 League Two (fourth tier): Runners Up: 2012 Play Off Runners Up:

2007, 2009

Play Off Semi-Finalists 2011

Football Conference: Play Off Winners: 2004

### THE **PLAYERS**



#### SHREWSBURY TOWN



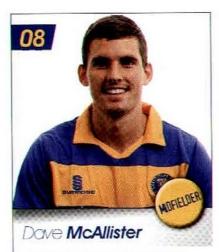
THE stopper began his career with Yeovil Town, helping the Glovers rise from the Conference to League 1 before signing for Bristol City. After leaving Ashton Gate, Weale joined Leicester City and went on to play under Sven Goran-Eriksson during his brief tenure with the Foxes. Signed for the Shrews in the summer of 2012 and was ever-present last term. He then swept the board at the Player of the Season Awards.



LEFT full-back. Jacobson began his career with hometown club. Cardiff City. He went on to have spells at Bristol Rovers and Oldham Athletic before joining Accrington Stanley. Upon the expiration of his contract, he penned a deal with the Shrews ahead of the 2011/12 season, helping the side to promotion that campaign. He finished last term wearing the Captain's armband and has also gained international honours representing Wales at Under-21 level.



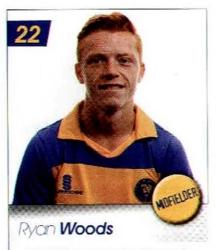
THE 6'3 centre-half started out with home-town side Aldershot, helping them gain promotion to the Football League in 2008. His next move was to Wycombe Wanderers in the summer of 2010 where he helped the Chairboys clinch promotion to League 1 in his first season at Adams Park. Rejected a new contract in the summer and opted to commit to a contract with the Shrews ahead of this season.



THE combative midfielder took his first steps in professional football in his native Ireland with Drogheda, Shelbourne and St. Patrick's Athletic. Joined Sheffield United in January 2011 after impressing on trial. He then enjoyed a short loan stint with the Shrews in the early part of 2012, helping them to secure promotion before returning to Bramall Lane. In January 2013, McAllister made a return to Shropshire on a permanent deal.



AFTER his release by Wigan Athletic as a youngster, the winger joined up with Shrewsbury and earned a professional deal after Impressing in the club's youth team. He made his Shrews debut in January 2010. Often contributing Goal of the Season contenders, Taylor has become a firm fans' favourite at Greenhous Meadow and is currently the Shrews' longest-serving player. Has found the net on four occasions so far this term.



WOODS is a graduate of the youth ranks at Greenhous Meadow. A mildfielder by trade, he is comfortable playing in a variety of positions and before joining Shrewsbury, trained as a schoolboy with Walsall. After starring for the youth team, he was awarded his flist professional contract in May 2012 and made two substitute appearances last term. He has 26 appearances to his name so far this season and recently found the net against MK Dons.

#### LAST FIVE: LWLLL LAST TIME OUT: 0-3 vs Rotherham 18.01.14



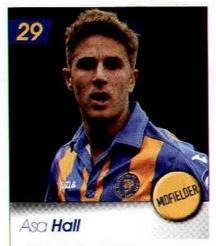
THE Malawi-born defender learned his trade with West Bromwich Albion before breaking through at Hereford United under former Shrews boss, Graham Turner. Made over 100 appearances at Edgar Street before doing the same at Leyton Orient. In the summer of 2010, he signed for Millwall and was named Player of the Year in his first season at The New Den. Spent time on loan at Southend last term before joining up with Shrewsbury in the summer.



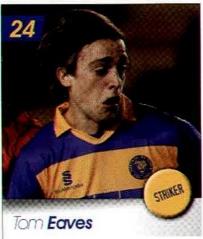
CAPABLE of playing on either flank, up front or at left full-back. Parry has played for Hereford and Preston North End but saw his best playing days come at Cardiff City. As well as appearing for the Bluebirds in the 2008 FA Cup Final at Wembley, he also earned international honours with Wales, winning 12 caps during his time in Welsh capital. Joined up with Shrewsbury at the start of the 2012/13 campaign and marked his home debut with a goal.



A product of the youth system at Greenhous Meadow, Goldson can operate at both centre-half and right full-back. He made his debut at Lincoln City in February 2011 and, the following campaign, helped the Shrews to promotion from League 2. Notched his first senior goal against Portsmouth on the final day of last season and put pen to paper on a new contract ahead of the 2013/14 campaign.



IN the early part of his career, Hall had a loan stint with Shrewsbury whilst he was still at Birmingham City. He also enjoyed a spell at Luton Town before signing for Oxford United in 2010. The midfielder joined the Shrews on a permanent deal at the start of the 2012/13 season. He ended the campaign on loan at Aldershot and was most recently back on loan at Oxford before returning in January.



CURRENTLY on loan from Bolton Wanderers, Eaves began his career with Oldham Athletic before moving to the Reebok Stadium. Last term, he spent time on loan at Bristol Rovers and at Greenhous Meadow before returning to Bolton. The striker had a temporary stint with Rotherham United earlier this season before rejoining the Shrews until the end of this term. Marked his second debut with a goal in the 3-1 win at Stevenage.



THE striker had spells with Wigan Athletic, Wrexham and Glasgow giants, Celtic, in the early part of his career and came to the attention of Stoke City after a prolific stint playing non-league football for Stockport Sports in the North West Counties League. After a trial in the summer of 2013, he put pen to paper on a deal with Shrewsbury and has made five appearances so far this season.

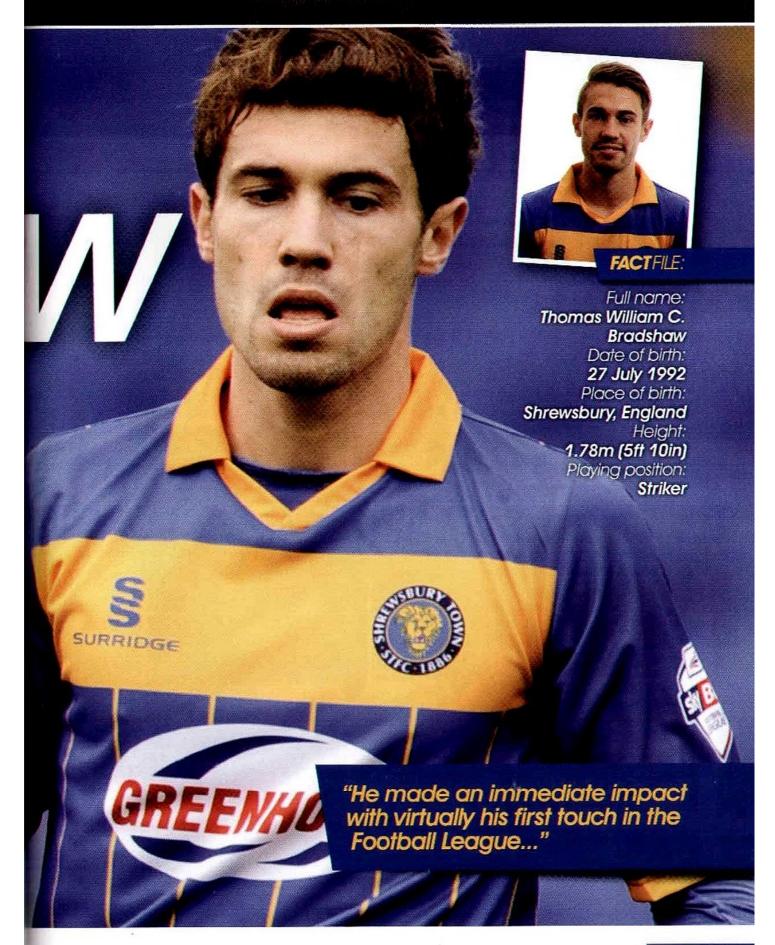
COYR profiles the home-grown talent who is now leading the line for the Shrews...

ALTHOUGH he was born in Shrewsbury, Bradshaw arew up in the Welsh seaside town of Tywyn. He kick-started his career with Aberystwyth Town in the Welsh top-flight and attracted Shrewsbury's attention, who then secured his signature. After impressing in the club's youth and reserve sides, he was handed his first team debut as a teenager against Crewe Alexandra in April 2010. He made an immediate impact with virtually his first touch in the Football League, finding the top comer with a spectacular effort. Just four minutes later, he struck again to cap a memorable debut and hand the Shrews a 3-D win. Sefore that 2009/10 campaign wa over, he netted again n in a 3 defeat to Morecambe, earn a first start on the final day of

the season in a 1-1 draw at Port Vale. The following campaign would see Bradshaw rack up 30 appearances for the Shrews. He also found the net six times including both goals in a 2-1 success at Bradford City at the end of March 2011. Progress somewhat ground to a halt the following campaign as Shrewsbury secured promotion to League 1 alongside Swindon: he only netted once from ten outings. His solitary strike turned out to be the winning goal against Accrington Stanley at Greenhous Meadow, securing a vital three points. Last term proved to be a fruitless one for the frontman. He clocked up 22 appearances in all competitions but failed to find the net. His exploits at club level have also earned him international honours and he has represented Wales at both Under-19 and Under-21 level. As he had done for the Shrews, he scored on his debut for the Under-19s in a 2-0 win over Lichtenstein in 2010. He repeated the feat on

his Under-21 bow, netting in an

away game in Montenegro. He made his last international appearance in September. This season, he scored his first senior goal for nearly two years in the Shrews' 2-0 win over Town in August and added two more to that tally before the month was over. He found the net a further two times but has not scored since netting against Carlisle in October.



# CLUB CONNECTION

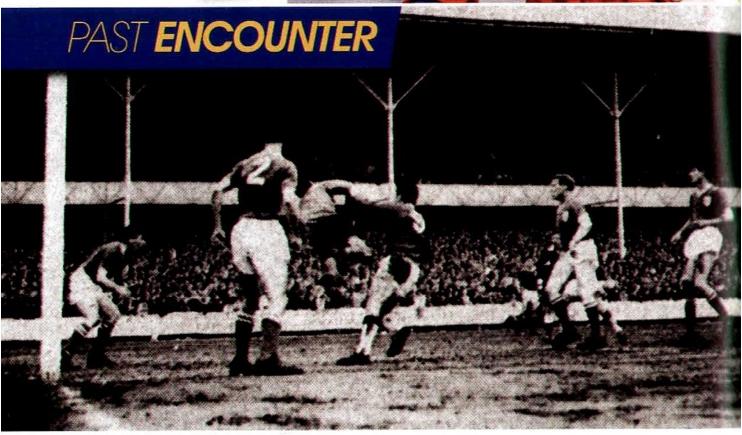
#### DAVE HOCKADAY:

**BROUGHT** to Swindon in 1983, the full-back would serve the Town for eight seasons. In his time at The County Ground,

Hockaday would win the Fourth Division championship, aet promoted in the 1987 Play-Offs and be part of the squad that won at Wembley in 1990. Joined Shrewsbury in 1993 and made 48 appearances for the Gay Meadow outfit before departing in 1995.







#### MAGIC MOMENTS:

#### 1959

PROMOTION from Division.
Four – Arthur Rowley arrives in 1958 as the club's first Player/Manager and guides the Shrews to promotion. During his playing career, Rowley would score 434 goals: a record in British football.

#### 1979

DIVISION Three Champions Rookie Player/Manager Graham
Turner, In his first spell with the
Shrews, takes them to the
Division Three title. Gay Meadow
(pictured) becomes a fortress
with a number of big teams
falling to defeat.

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THIRD Division Champions

The Shropshire side
clinched a return to the
third tier of English football,
winning the Third Division
championship.

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ON the brink of a first ever promotion, over 20,000 expectant supporters shoehorned into The County Ground knowing that a Town win over Shrewsbury would secure Second Division football the following season. It was local boy Roger Smart who would settle the tie in Swindon's favour in the 88th minute, firing home the only goal of the game in front of a jubilant Town End.

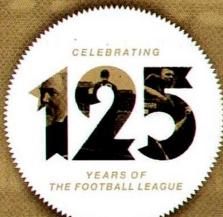
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**THREE** members of the First Team Squad have been unveiled as FITC Programme Ambassadors this week...



AS part of the Football League initiative, in which professional footballers from each club are invited to become ambassadors for their Community Trust programmes, this week saw Swindon Town's Yaser Kasim, Massimo Luongo and Darren Ward visit their chosen programmes to be unveiled as ambassadors. On Monday, Twiliaht Football ambassador Yaser Kasim visited the Youth First Centre in Walcot. He was able to offer participants advice on how to become a professional footballer, whilst telling all about his steps to a career at STFC. Tuesday saw Massimo Luongo visit Croft Sports Centre to see the students on the Football and Futsal Education Programme.

Massimo was chosen because he is a very technical player, which is an attribute suited to Futsal. He participated in a big group picture and told the students about his experience on Soccer AM recently. The students were in awe of Massimo as he talked about his days at Tottenham and STFC's bid to make the League 1 Play-Offs. The second visit on a busy Tuesday featured the FITC Development Centres with Darren Ward visiting the sessions at Stratton Community Centre. The Town skipper is a regular at the centres and school clubs and is the STFC FITC Ambassador for all of the projects. The children took the chance to impress him with the skills and techniques they had learnt across the term.





#### JPT LIVE on TV





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# THAMAN THOMPSO

AFTER breaking into the first team last term, Nathan Thompson's 2013/14 has seen him extend his stay at SN1, net a first senior goal and be christened with a chant from the Town End.... Nathan, let's start by looking at the past 18 months or so: since you first broke into the team there have been a lot of ups and downs but what were your highlights?

I think first being given the opportunity back when (Paolo) Di Canio was here to start a run of games. I had been in and out with previous managers but there was never really anyone that had a little bit of trust in me so, for me, that was probably the start. Getting into the Play-Offs was another highlight for me and the first senior goal against Gillingham as well was another highlight. As you say, there have been a lot of ups and downs but that's football for you.

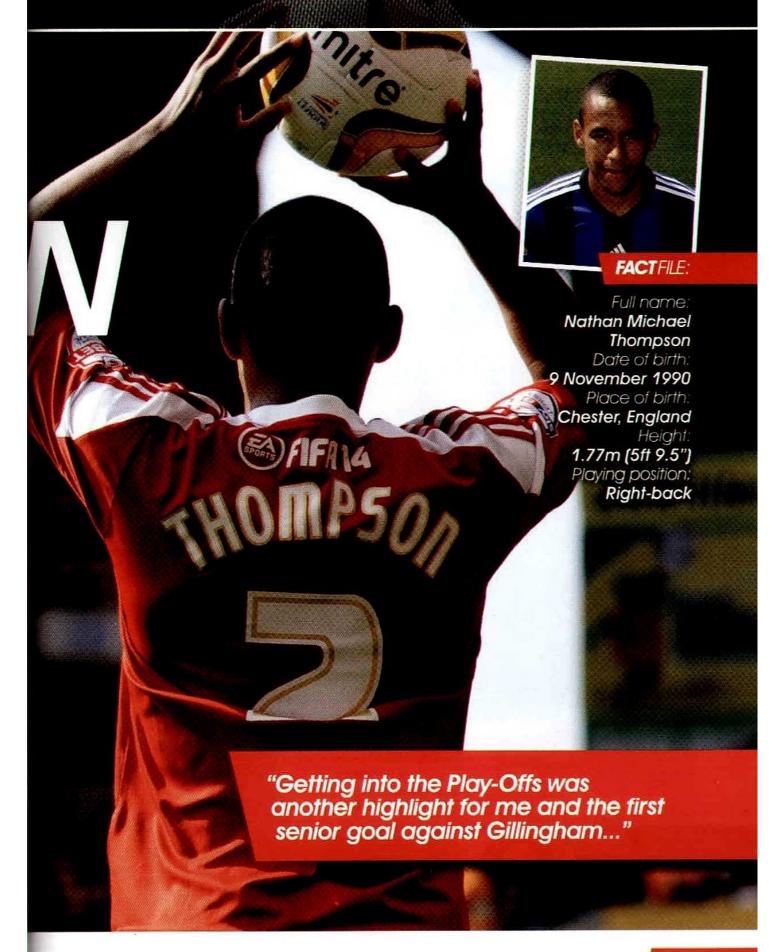
Still looking at last season, when Louis came on against Macclesfield, that was the first time two brothers have been in the same Swindon team since the 1940s. That must have been a particularly proud moment for you...

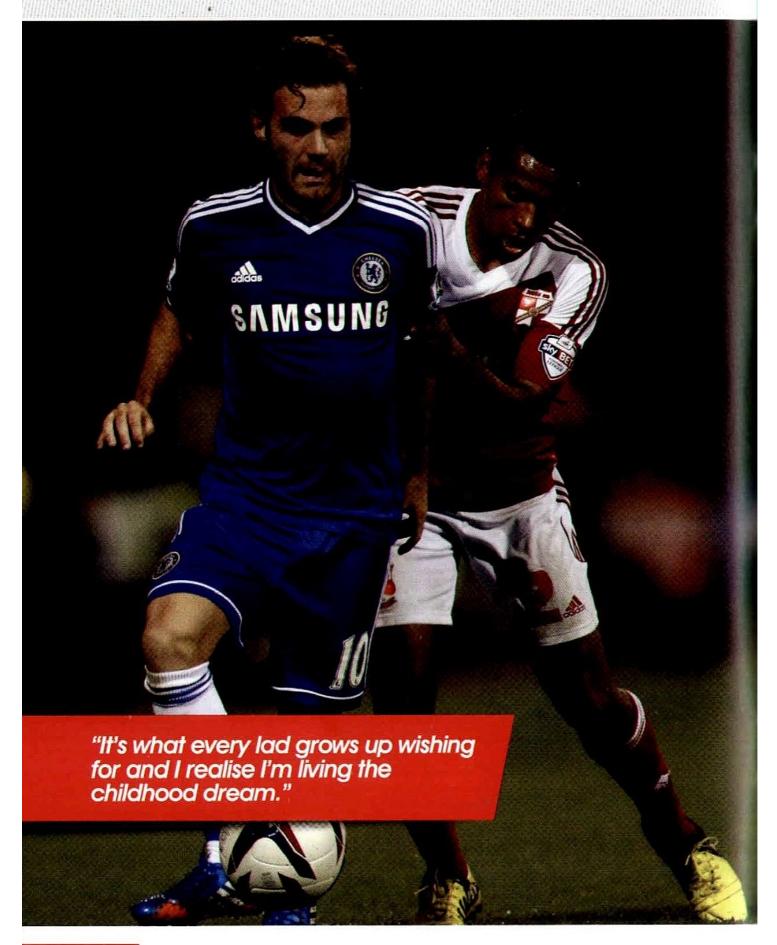
Absolutely. I'd say that every

time he steps on the pitch with me it's a proud moment and I think mum and dad would say the same thing. The thing with being with Louis in the same team, I think we feel it: if he gives the ball away or if I give the ball away we both feel it. It's a team effort on the pitch but it's also a team effort between me and him and I think when we've been given the opportunity it's worked quite well.

When he spoke to COYR earlier this season, he mentioned that you got your combative nature as youngsters but it seems that you do look after each other on the pitch...

Absolutely, it's just something that comes over me and it's something that I need to get control of because it can get you in trouble but I think it's just a natural instinct in an older brother to react when you see your younger brother getting hurt. I think that's in every walk of life but it's fantastic for him to be on the pitch and to see him do well this season.





### And now the Town End have given the pair of you your own terrace chant too...

It's been fantastic. They've really taken to us both. We've both had positive feedback when we've played well and it's fantastic to hear them singing that. It's really nice to hear.

#### Having come through the system, does that make pulling on the red shirt every week that extra bit special?

Without a doubt! I've been here since I was 12 years old and when you come to the First Team games as a youngster you'd always be desperate to play in front of 8,000 fans and play in front of the stadium so to be given that opportunity and to be able to live that dream, it's what every lad grows up wishing for and I realise I'm living the childhood dream.

# This season has seen you operate in a number of different systems, sometimes as an orthodox full-back and sometimes as a more attackminded wing-back. Do you feel that has helped you to develop as a player?

At the start of the year, the gaffer said to me that the way we'll play this season will give me the licence to get forward a little bit more and it's something I thought I needed to bring to my game. The defensive side of it I was relatively happy with last season. I think you can always progress but the attacking side of my game I think needed work on; to be able to get forward and be able to get on the end of a cross. To get my first senior goal was fantastic and was a credit to the way we play.

That goal was a special moment for you personally. What can you remember of it? It was a bit of a blur to be fair. I went a little bit mad. Like I said at the time when I did interviews afterwards, my celebration needed a little bit of work but to hear the Town End sing your name - there's no better feeling than that.

# Yaser Kasim has spoken about goalscoring targets in recent weeks. Have you set yourself any targets in that respect?

Not as such. I think every player wants to chip in and help your strikers and your midfielders score goals and if the strikers aren't having a great day, a goal can come from a defender and it takes the pressure off them.

#### We've touched on the defensive side of your game, do you prefer that to going forward?

I think the defensive side of my game is a lot more natural. I enjoy the tussle against the winger then coming off the pitch and knowing you got the better of them but on the attacking side I think you get more glory. Looking back on that goal again, although it wasn't a win or anything it still gets talked about and it gets mentioned when people see vour name so I'd say that side of it gets more headlines. I learnt a lot last year and I've learned a hell of a lot this year as well with the different formations, the different positions and the different style of playing. We keep the ball; it's completely different to last season, and I think that takes time. The manager has come in and installed that and it's not something that can click

#### #ASKNATH

EACH week, we invite supporters to pitch their questions via the club's official Facebook and Twitter pages. Make sure you log on for the opportunity to get your question answered.



Who is the best at FIFA in the team?

Ben STFC Sharp (on Facebook)

It's a good question - I don't have a clue actually! I don't play it myself because I never really get time to play but I hear Nathan Byrne's really good.

### What do you feel is your greatest achievement in football to date?

Cameron Pearce (on Facebook)

The year we got promoted I didn't really play so I can't really look back at that as a personal experience so I'd say it's probably playing with Louis. It probably won't mean much to anyone else but for me it's probably my greatest achievement.

#### What's your favourite cheese?

Jon Kedge (on Facebook)

I'm a fan of Wensleydale cheese - a big fan!

#### #ASKNATH



What is your favourite away ground?

Paul Michael Cottle (on Facebook)

Molineux was nice or the Britannia Stadium at Stoke was another nice one. The fans there - it wasn't a full house but they still sung their hearts out. I remember that night very well, it was a fantastic evening.

What's the best game you've played in and why?

Lee Jones (on Facebook)

Probably the Stoke one last season. I didn't play the whole game but I came on when it was 2-2 and the start of the first half of extra time and I remember going up 3-2. Then Stoke nicking a goal again and then James Collins scoring in the last minute. It was the best feeling to knock out a Premier League side and to be part of that was something special. That game was one of the first games I played and that really enabled me to get more games under my belt.

overnight. There have been ups and downs as we mentioned earlier on and there probably still will be throughout the rest of the season. We've got a young team and it's all part of the development here.

# A lot has been made of the average age of the team this season, do you feel it has hindered the team in any way?

I think it's difficult to say. There would be times where the lads wouldn't have been in the

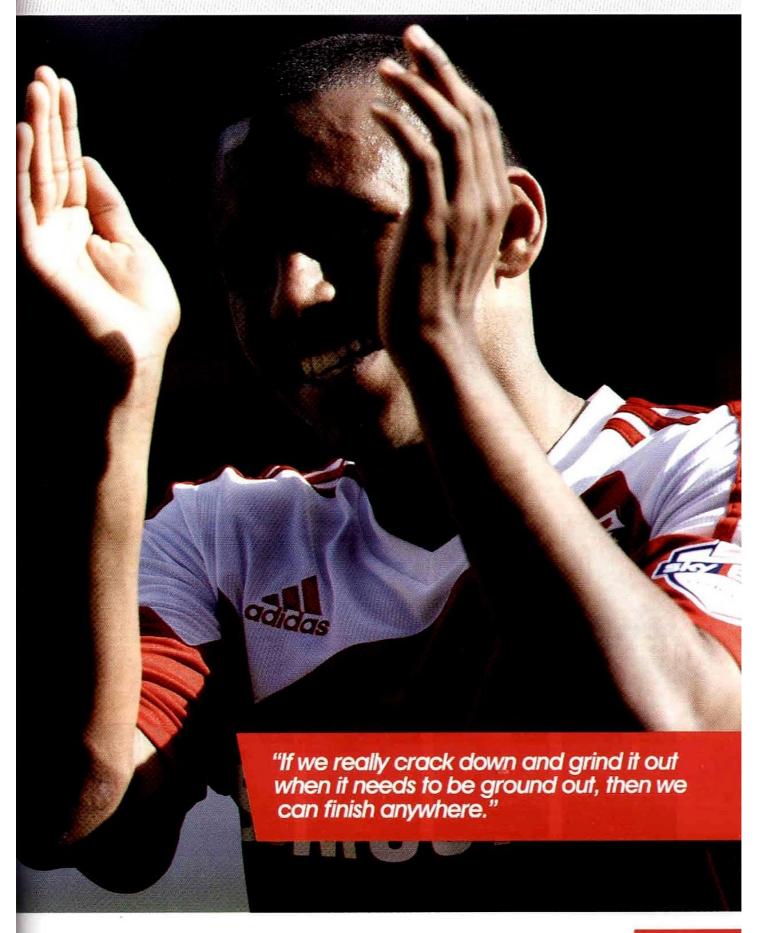
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we finished in the Play-Offs so there's no savina that we can't do that again this year with a vounger team. The one thing you can't take away from us is the fact that we always try to play, whether it's at the back or further up the field, we always try and do it. We may make mistakes along the way but it's something that you learn from. At the start of the season a lot of people had written us off saying that we're such a young team and we wouldn't do anything this year and I think we've proved a lot of people wrong at times. The opportunities are endless. If we really crack down and grind it out when it needs to be ground out, then we can finish anywhere.

Swindon's away form has not been the best recently but why do you think that is? I can't put my finger on it myself. The preparation and everything going into the game is always exactly the same. One thing you can say is when a team comes here, they know our home form and they might be a little bit more apprehensive to attack. We could exploit them and it's been done before - when Crewe came here and tried to press us it just seemed to click that day and we beat them 5-0. Away from home teams probably feel now that if they get amongst us they can nick a result and, over the last couple of weeks it hasn't been good away from home but we're working on it and it's something you can only improve on the training around. It's a more settled team now and I think Shrewsbury will come here knowing what we're like at home and we expect a tough game. We've prepared in exactly the same way for this weekend as we do for any other game.

#### Finally, we've briefly touched on targets - have you any personal goals that you want to achieve before this season is over?

Last year I played 30 games and this year I've wanted to improve on that and to improve the performances. For me the biggest thing I've learnt from this season is the way we play. I've never played in a team where we're working on possession so much and looking to play out at the back. My aim is just to keep on playing with no injuries. Last vear I ended the season with a nasty injury that kept me out of the Play-Offs and that was such a disappointment so touch wood that I pick up no injuries and we can climb up the league.



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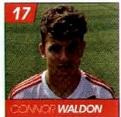
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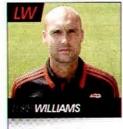
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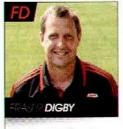
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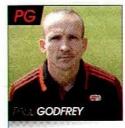
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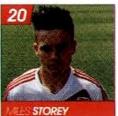
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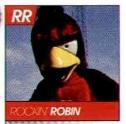
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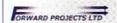


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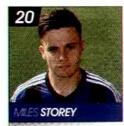
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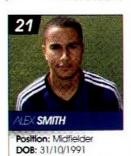
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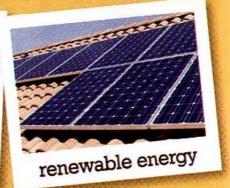
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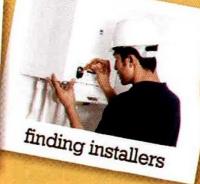
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#### 14. WORLD CUP STARS

WE continue our look back at what was acceptable in the 80s by this week taking a look at the Star Players who lit up the two World Cups in the 1980s...

WITH the 2014 World Cup in Brazil looming large, we have decided to take a trip down memory lane this week by focusing on the players who lit up the 1982 and 1986 World Cups, as well as taking a look at the Swindon Town connections in those tournaments.

Glenn Hoddle, who would go on to steer Town into the Premiership, was at his prime when England travelled to Spain in 1982. Italy's Paolo Rossi lit up that tournament, finishing with six goals to his name as Italy went on to win their third World Cup, their first success since 1938.

Paul Sturrock and former Town Goalkeeping Coach George Wood both represented Scotland. Argentine Ossie Ardiles, who would go on to enjoy a hugely fruitful spell in charge at The County Ground, was also present as a member of the reigning World Champions' squad.

The 1986 World Cup was held in Mexico. For England fans, the tournament was remembered for Diego Maradona's 'Hand of God' goal against Bobby Robson's men at the Quarter-Final stage as well as the stunning, individual effort he netted in the same game.

There were a whole host of future Town connections at that tournament too. Alonaside Glenn Hoddle and Terry Fenwick displaying Three Lions on their chest, Maurice Malpas, Paul Sturrock and Frank McAvennie were part of the Scotland squad while Jimmy Quinn and Alan McDonald represented Northern Ireland.

When you are glued to the TV screen this summer watching the spectacle unfold in Brazil, imagine the stars on show who could someday end up at Swindon Town as well as the current vintage who could one day grace football's biggest stage.





**ABOVE:** World Cup stars and Golden Boot winners, Paolo Rossi (1982) and Gary Lineker (1986).

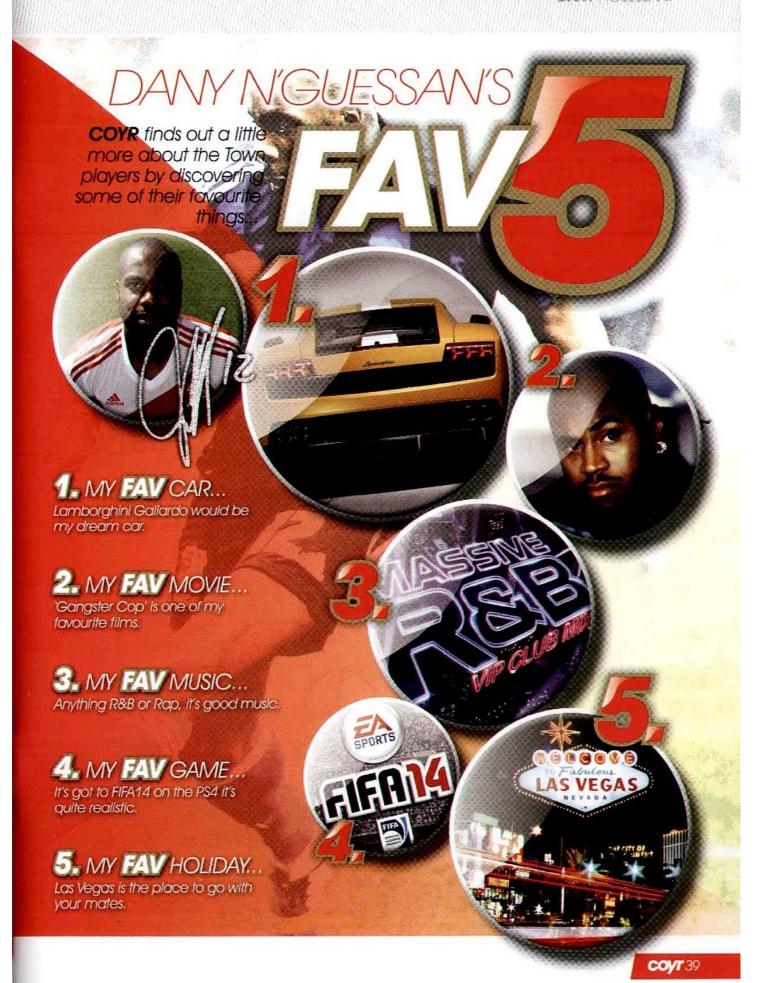






ABOVE: Future Town managers Glenn Hodale, Ossie Aralies and Paul Sturrock all line-up for their respective countries during the 1982 and 1986 FIFA World Cup Finals.





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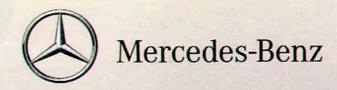
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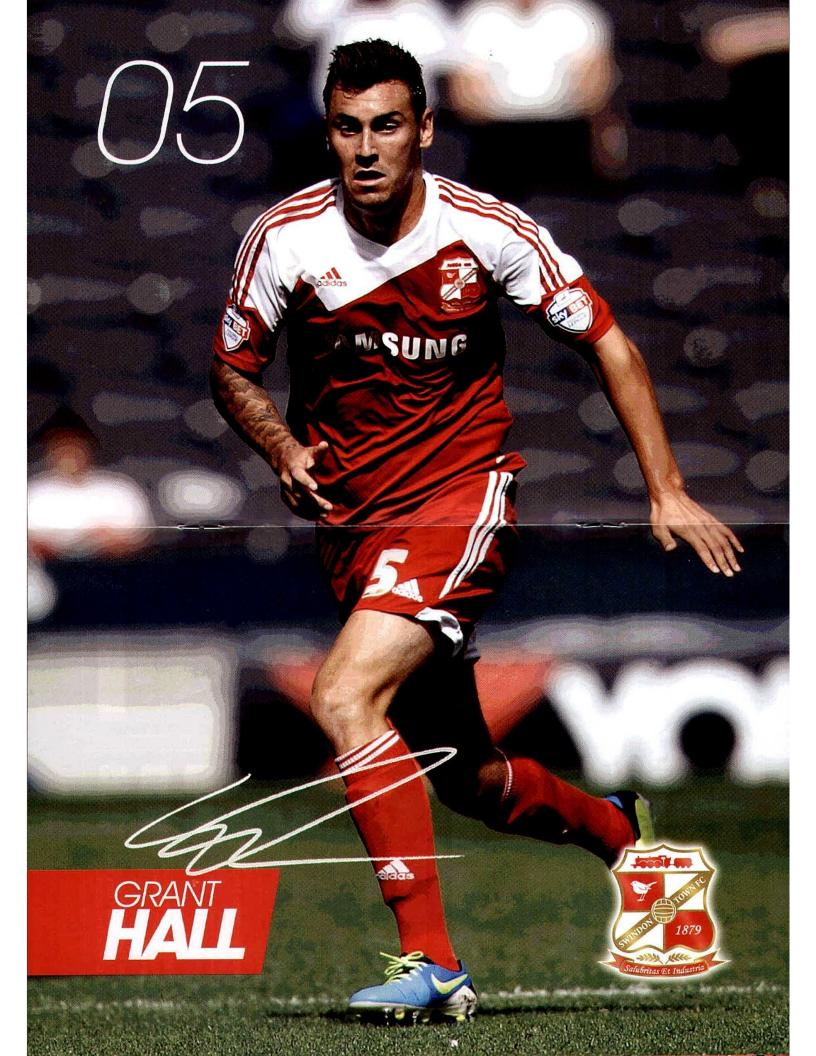
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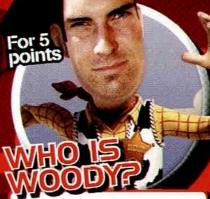
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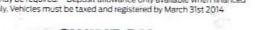
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## UNDER-18 FOCUS



**UNDER-18S** Manager Jamie Pitman takes time out from his busy schedule to pen the latest Academy update...



I am writing these notes as I take a break from the mountains of paperwork that I have to prepare for the upcoming Academy audit. The audit has now been brought forward to February after a delay in the New Year. We were due to be one of the first Category Three clubs to be audited back in September but with staffing issues we had to put it back. We're all trying to make sure that all our paperwork is up to date so we can achieve Category Three status. We now have to record every minute of every session that a player does including their game time, all our coaching sessions and what we're doing with them. In addition, we have to produce best practise sessions for elements of the syllabus and this includes the Football Association's 'Four

Corner' Module that I've mentioned previously which covers a player's technical, physical, psychological and social development. The Academy Manager, Jeremy Newton, produces an Academy Performance Plan in conjunction with what is required by the Premier League and Football League auditors. Obviously our magnificent part-time staff have a huge input into all this too. They all work so hard and it's appreciated by everyone here because the time and effort they put in is vital. Without them, it becomes very hard to achieve what we're hoping to achieve. Due to the recent weather conditions, we have not played a game since December 14th but we are working hard to get games on and organise some midweek fixtures too against fellow

Academy sides. Again we're fortunate that we've been able to use Lydiard Academy as a youth department so we've been able to give our pitches a rest to recover and this has given us an opportunity to train on a surface where you can get a bit of quality out of the session. I'd also like to take this opportunity to mention the Next Generation Gym and how accommodating they have been in allowing us to train. Our next fixture is at Hereford this weekend which will hopefully be on. They've got some good players and they took Manchester City to extra time in the FA Youth Cup earlier this season so it's going to be another tough battle.

#### JAMIE PITMAN

UNDER-18S MANAGER

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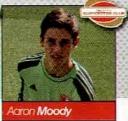


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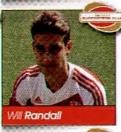






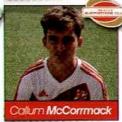








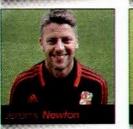














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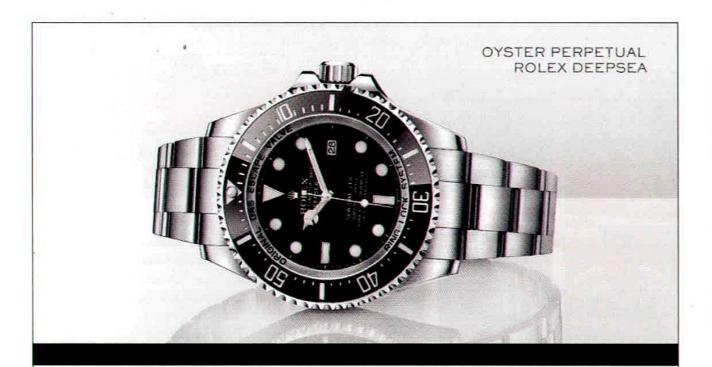




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Bristol Rovers	8	5	3	0	+7	18
Exeter City	10	5	2	3	+9	17
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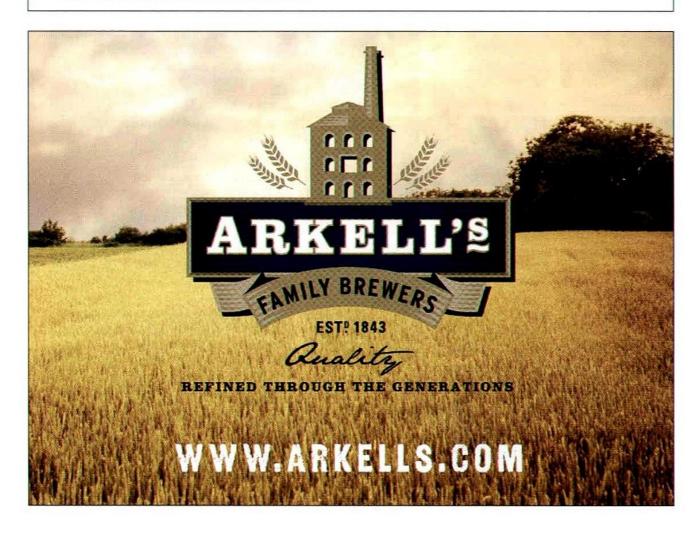




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Kick-off 7 DAVE Wallis tells the tale of two cup ties against top-flight sides from the early 1980s...

IN the last Retro Red, we reminisced about an FA Cup run that saw Town take on both Manchester United and Manchester City in successive rounds. This time, it's a look back at cup action from 1980 and a series of matches that famous scalp and a Wembley appearance.

A good Division Three campaign had established us in fourth place but, coming up, were the small matters of a two-legged League Cup semifinal against Wolverhampton Wanderers and a Fourth Round FA Cup tie with Tottenham Hotspur.

Thirty-four years ago last Wednesday, we took on Wolves, 14th in Division One, at The County Ground to see who could draw first blood, and the majority of the 26,000 who affended would have been ecstatic when Andy Rowland grabbed the lead after just 13 minutes:

Peter Daniel equalised for the visitors after another 13 minutes and, with the game still all-square with four minutes remaining, Alan Mayes gave us a goal advantage to take to Molinuex for the second leg.

Just four days later and with a place at Wembley one game away, we then turned our attention to the other cup and another Division One outfit in Tottenham Hotspur

Spurs sat 12th in the top flight and future Town bosses Ossie Ardiles and Glenn Hoddle both

took to The County Ground pitch, along with another five full internationals

By coincidence, the attendance was another 26,000, but this time the game remained scoreless, forcing a replay at White Hart Lane, due to be saw Town come so close to a played the following Wednesday.

With Town supporters harbouring dreams of further progression, those of us there will remember how we felt with just seven minutes remaining.

Then, with Town a goal to the good through a Ray McHale penalty and eves flitting nervously between pitch and clock, Cerry Armstrong struck to equalise before breaking our hearts with his second of the night with two minutes to go.

Our cup misery was compounded in the second week of February when a Wembley appearance slipped through our fingers.

McHale again struck from 12 yards, this time to bring the aggregate scores level after an earlier effort from John Richards and a speculative lob from Mel Eves had given Wolves the upper

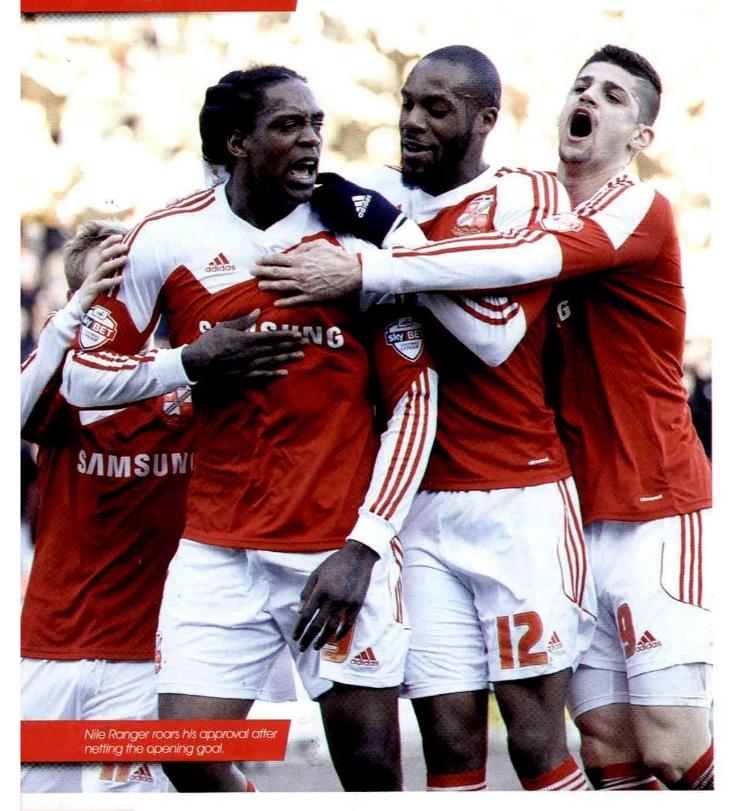
But there was little over a quarter of an hour to go when Richards hit the goal that gave Wanderers a 4-3 aggregate win and took them to Wembley instead of Town.



PICTURED: The programme from the Semi-Final First leg and Tottenham's Carry Armstrong leaps highest of SM

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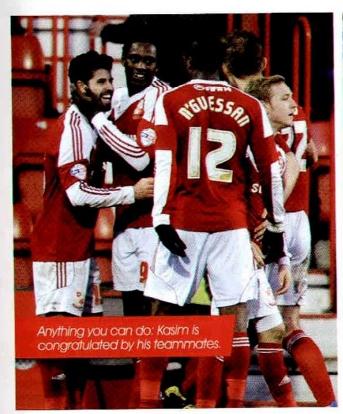
**CLUB** Photographer Rob Noyes was at SN1 as Mark Cooper's men saw off the challenge of promotion-chasing Peterborough United...



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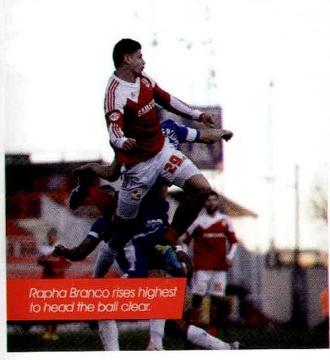














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#### Half-Time Draw

**THE** winners from the last home match were...

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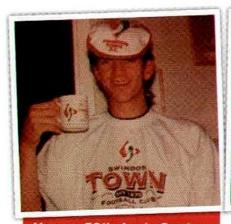
Please keep buying the tickets and boost our funds.

Plus, you can still join the Pounds for Points scheme with all the profits going to youth development. Just contact Mavis Knight.

#### Roger Smart

AS the 1962/63 season was drawing to an end, we were

in with a chance of promotion for the first time ever. With two league matches left, we faced today's opponents on a Tuesday night with over 20,000 here at The County Ground. We were made to wait until the 88th minute before Roger Smart scored at the Town End to secure that elusive first promotion. It was a vital goal from Roger, who also scored six goals during our cup run to Wembley in 1968/69, including the first goal against Arsenal. Roger scored 59 goals in over 400 appearances for the Town but none were more important than the two I have just mentioned. Roger can still be seen at The County Ground; he recently attended the Seniors' Christmas Dinner along with Joe



Happy 50th Andy Coster ANDY is in the Sponsor's Suite for the game today with family and the girls as a surprise... COYR!



Ashes Redwash!
MARK Unwin is pictured in
Sydney watching the Ashes
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Menzies show their support from
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Butler and Don Rogers. Indeed, Roger looked as if he could still play now!

Social Evening

A social evening has been arranged at the White Hart in Stratton on Tuesday 11th February at 7.30pm. Three members of the first team will be present along with Phil King who will host the event. A roast meal and sweet course make up the menu. Tickets cost just £16 for members and £17.50 for non members. You can get your tickets in the Legends Lounge on a match day or, alternatively,

you can email enquiries@ swindontownsupportersclub. com.

#### End of Season Dinner

IT may seem some way off but a date has already been set for our End of Season Presentation Dinner. This will take place on Tuesday, 29th April in the Legends Lounge. Full details will follow on our website in due course.

ROGER BUNCE

STFC SUPPORTERS' CLUB CHAIRMAN



Happy 25th Birthday!
LAURA Maybury has been a
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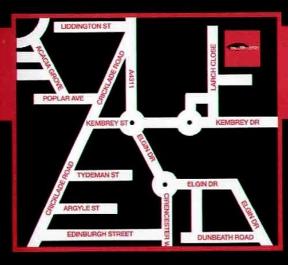
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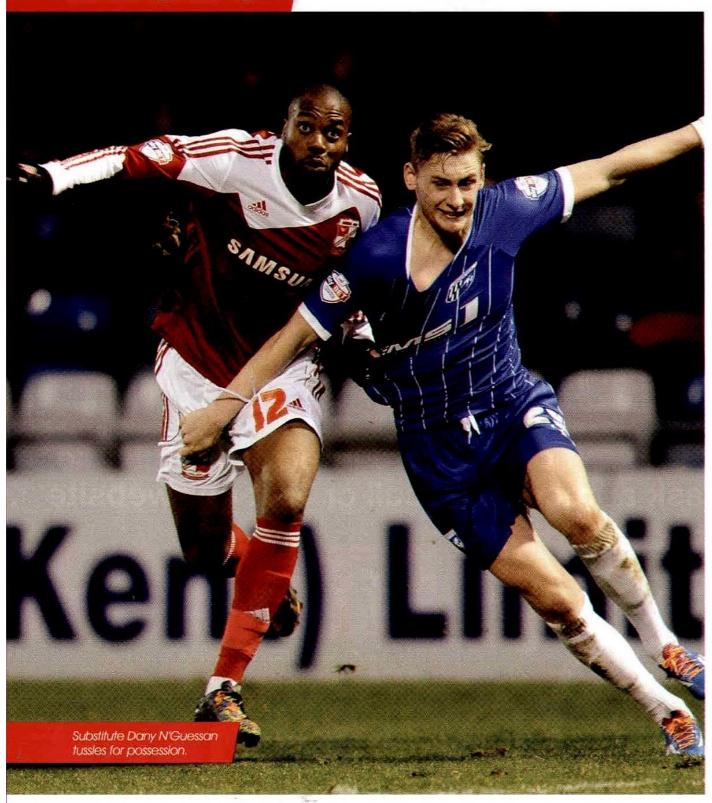






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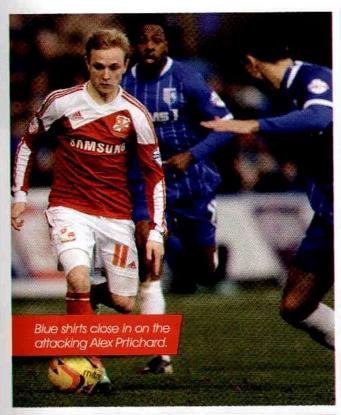
**STFC** Club Photographer Rob Noyes was pitchside at the Priestfield Stadium as Town's away-day woes continued with a defeat at the hands of the Kent side...



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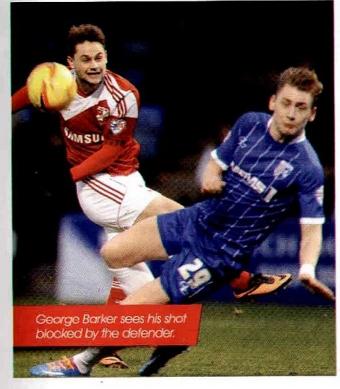
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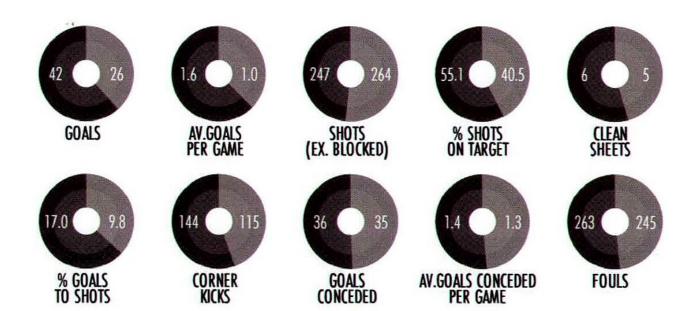
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There has not been a draw in any of the last 12 league meetings between Swindon and Shrewsbury, with the Robins winning eight and losing four.

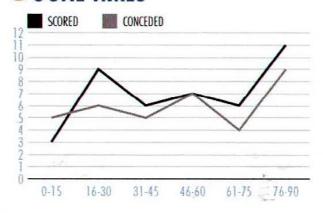


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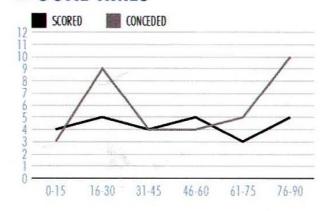
Shrewsbury have won only one of their last 15 away league games against Swindon, drawing four and losing 10.



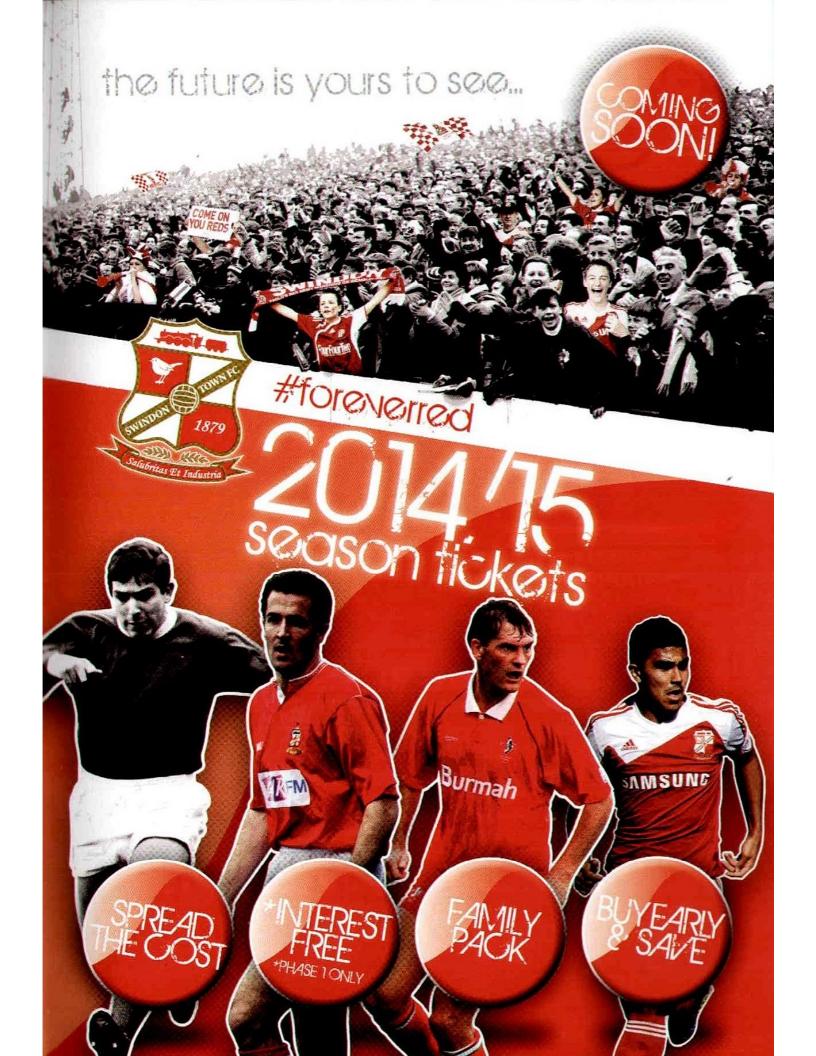
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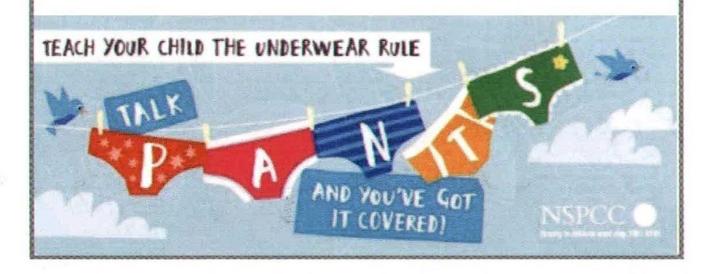






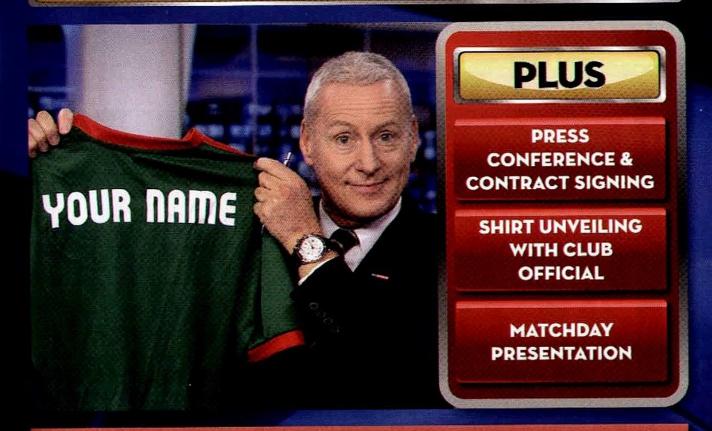
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## FOOTBALLIN THE COMMUNITY



#### **COMMUNITY** NEWS

GOOD afternoon and welcome to today's encounter with Shrewsbury Town...



#### Saturday Team Club

TODAY we are delighted to welcome Robins' Under-9s Red and White to our Saturday Team Club project. They have been organised by Jason Rawlins. We hope they have a great day with us and see us pick up all three points this afternoon against the other STFC in our league, Shrewsbury Town.

#### Mike Spearman

WE would like to take this opportunity of wishing Mike Spearman a very happy 85th birthday which he celebrated last week on the 16th January. Mike is as young and healthy now as he has been throughout his support of our Football in the Community

Trust which spans some 14 years. We are extremely proud to have Mike as our Trust Chairman. He is not only a great advocate for the work we undertake but also a great ambassador for Swindon Town Football Club.

#### **Outset Swindon**

WE here at Swindon Town Football in the Community Trust are currently working with Outset Swindon in order to offer our Football and Futsal Education students access to Outset's free business training. The business start-up services, funded by Swindon Borough Council and the European Regional Development Fund, include information sessions, workshops, one-to-

one mentoring and help with accessing finance.

Trust Manager Jon Holloway has already seen the benefits. "It was clear to see that the Outset programme offers the students a real insight into business and also encourages them to think about all aspects of starting and running a successful business. We will be encouraging more of our students to partake in Outset's courses this year and we hopefully look forward to seeing some of our students running their own businesses in years to come."

Outset's services are available for anyone aged over 16 who lives within the borough of Swindon. For more information, contact Outset

















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#### Swindon Town Ladies

ON the back of a great 4-0 victory the week before, when the airls travelled to Keynsham, they repeated the feat with another 4-0 victory over arch rivals, Forest Green Rovers. The full match report can be seen below.

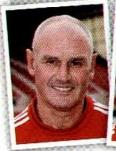
The Town made a shaky start and within the first minute. Forest Green gained a corner which Michelle Rich, playing at centreback, headed clear. In the 17th minute, Chyna Collings sent Beth Thompson away. She evaded two challenges before putting the ball into the back of the net

to give Swindon the lead. The Town began to gain confidence and Ellie Maynard twice went close. A Rovers attack finished with Robyn Levett saving low at the post from Annie Martin.

The Town doubled their lead in the 31st minute when a neat Kelly Nightingale and Ellie Maynard move opened up the home defence for Beth Thompson to score.

After the break, Rovers started well and Charlotte King saw her shot rebound off the Town's crossbar. Georgia Walters curled the ball into the far corner of the net for Town's third then, in the 78th minute, a corner fell to Georgia Walters who from 25 vards drove the ball into the roof of the net to secure the points for the Town.

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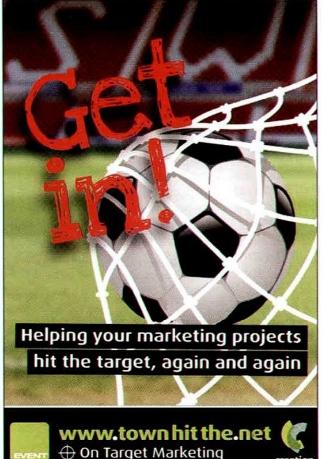


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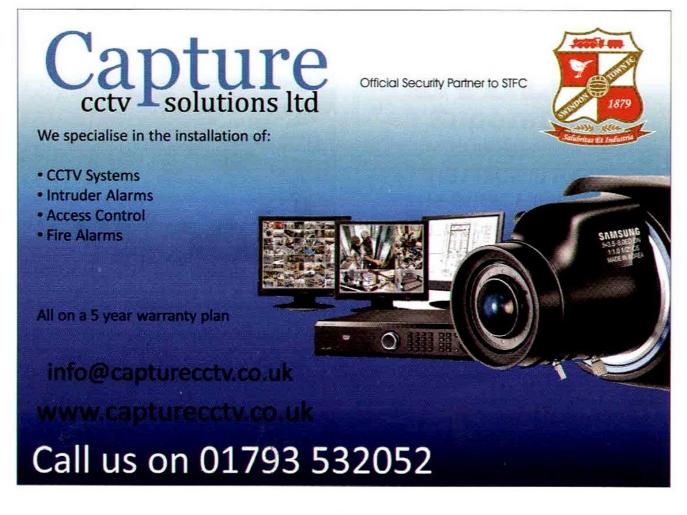
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### OUTSIDE THE BOX

Davia Hocksda)

**SWINDON'S** season so far has been one of great promise and potential. The home form is obviously very impressive but it's the away form that has been the Achilles heel...

THAT'S the challenge for Mark, to get the young players to be able to perform away from home. If that can be sorted out then they've got as good a chance as most of making the Play-Offs.

I've seen a lot of games this season but, for me, the best one was against Coventry. Tactically and technically it was the best game I've seen in League 1 by a long way and Swindon just about had the quality to win the game. It was a great, edge-of-the seat, high-quality game - I really enjoyed that one. Mark will be looking to get something today to get momentum after two disappointing results away from home.

As for Shrewsbury, they have been indifferent; patchy at best. If they can survive and get anywhere near mid-table it will have been a massive success. They'll be looking today, I'm sure, to make it difficult for Swindon. They'll either press high and be brave or defend deep and look to frustrate Swindon and get them on the counter. Having lost the manager that can go one of two ways: it can either demoralise the group or galvanise them because they need to impress prospective managers, so they will be even more of an unknown quantity to Mark.

Obviously when I was at Swindon we earned three



promotions so the vast majority of my good memories as a player were at Swindon Town. In 1986, we beat Chester 4-2 and that meant we got promoted because it was us and them aoina for it. That was my first taste of success at senior level. Then came the triple Play-Off against Gillingham ending up at Selhurst Park and getting up to what is now the Championship. Next came the disappointment of the Play-Off against Crystal Palace before the elation with Ossie of winning against Sunderland and the time-bomb of being relegated. Swindon is a real rollercoaster club and the last 20 years have proved that, if you're a Town fan you're not going to be bored with mid-table because it doesn't happen - vou're either up there

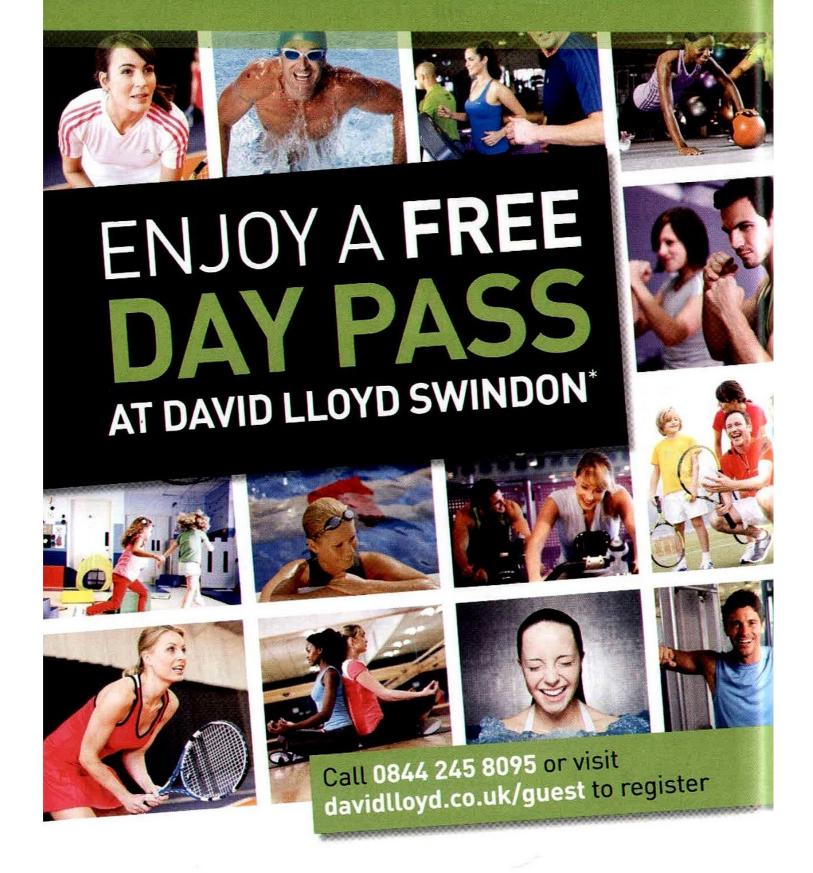
or down there.

I went to Shrewsbury in 1993 and we won the Second Division Championship with Fred Davies. Very early on in that season we took a massive thumping at Preston on the artificial surface. I remember talking to my dad afterwards and he said "who have you signed for?"" and I said to him: "Dad, we'll get promoted."

Fortunately for me it came to bear and we won the league and we had the open top bus tour around the town. It was also the last team I played for before I helped establish the first football Academy at Cirencester. I have great memories of both clubs; successful memories too.

#### DAVID HOCKADAY

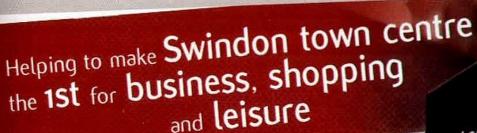
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TOWN Physio Paul Godfrey is back with a new edition of PG's Tips...

TENNIS ELBOW', or to give its common medical name, 'Lateral Epicondylitis', is a common complaint characterised by localised pain fett on the outside part (or lateral aspect) of the lower end of your upper arm bone (or Humerus), just above the elbow joint where the common extensor tendon inserts. This tendon serves as the main attachment for a number of the forearm muscles that operate the hand and wrist and therefore gives a clue as to how the symptoms come to bear.

The pain is usually felt with any gripping or lifting activity of the hand and extension (pulling back) of the wrist. In severe cases, the pain causes the individual to drop the object they were trying to lift. The pain usually is gradual in its onset, starting as a mild irritation with certain activities, but progresses (if untreated) to severe pain affecting all hand and wrist actions. The sufferer is usually unaware as to what caused the pain in the first place, but is usually quite debilitated by the time they seek medical advice.

The signs and symptoms are most prevalent amongst the general population, but can affect sports people (usually those that use their hands to grip a racket or golf club etc), but it is not exclusive to tennis players as the more common, but slightly misleading, name for the condition might suggest.

It was thought for many years that any pain arising from a tendon was due to an inflammatory response to damage, hence the



"A permanent solution is possible if you get the correct advice and treatment..."

'itis' part to the Tendonitis. As such, the usual treatment administered was either a course of anti-inflammatory drugs e.g. Ibuprofen and, if that failed, the sufferer was usually given a steroid injection into the painful area. Sometimes, if the tendon was inflamed, this course of treatment might assist with pain relief, but often this was short-lived or completely ineffective. We now have a better understanding why.

Most previously-diagnosed cases of Tendonitis' are not actually due to inflammation, but more due to a degenerative 'wear and tear' of the tendon or 'Tendonosis'. The exact mechanism for the paln in the absence of inflammation is still being researched and debated, but does explain why anti-inflammatory medication was often ineffective as no inflammation was present. The treatment now follows a more

specific exercise-based approach, targeting the 'weakness' in the tendon itself as well as the attached muscles.

If you are suffering from such symptoms or have had failed anti-inflammatory treatment, I would suggest you seek the advice and guidance of a well-qualified Chartered Physiotherapist who can best show you the type of exercises you need, explain in detail why this problem has occurred (as the causes are often multi-factorial and sometimes nothing to do with the tendon at all!) and the timeframes needed to get rid of it. It is not a quick fix but a permanent solution is possible if you get the correct advice and treatment and understand that it'll have nothing to do with tennis at all!.

#### PAUL GODFREY

TEAM PHYSIOTHERAPIST







TOWN headed back to Merseyside looking to build on the pre-Christmas point at Anfield that was still fresh in the memory...

UNDER the watchful eve of new manager, Mike Walker, John Ebbrell gave the Toffees the perfect start, netting the opening goal after just four minutes. Tony Cottee saw the home side go in to the break two goals to the good when he doubled their lead just minutes before half time. At the start of the second half. Town's task was made harder by the dismissal of striker Andy Mutch for a swinging elbow. Despite the disadvantage, Swindon worked their way back into the game. After moving the ball from left to right with Moncur feeding Summerbee, the midfielder continued his run into the box and arrived right on cue to head home the cross. Just five minutes later. Paul Bodin had the Town back on level terms. Capitalising on a mistake in the Everton back-line, the full-back snaffled possession before finding the back of the net to the delight of the travelling support. Despite the comeback, the Toffees rallied and retook the lead thanks to Gary Ablett. As the time ticked into the last ten minutes, Everton ran riot, netting another three goals. Cottee netted two of them, completing his hat-trick and sealing a massive win for the home side.



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Saturday Feb 1, 3pm

#### vs Peterborough Utd (A) Wednesday Feb 5, 7.15pm JPT AF1

#### vs Colchester United (H) Saturday Feb 15, 3pm

#### vs Peterborough Utd (H)

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#### vs Leyton Orient (A) Saturday Feb 22, 3pm

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#### AWAY FIXTURES:



### MATCHSTATS

KEY: 1 = Number of goals scored,

First substitution, Second substitution, Third substitution

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Sat Aug 10	Stevenage	H	1-0 W	7,133 (217)	Foderingham	N Thompson	Ward	Hall	Byrne
Sat Aug 17 Sat Aug 24	Shrewsbury Town Gillingham	A	0-2 L 2-2 D	4,943 (545)	Foderingham	N Thompson 1	Ward Ward	Hall	Byrne McEvelev
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Sat Oct 12	Rotherham United	Α	4-0 W	8,103 (540)	Foderingham	N Thompson	Ward	Hall	McEveley
Fri Oct 18	Notts. County	H	2-0 W	8,188 (249)	Foderingham	N Thompson	Ward	Hall	McEveley
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Tue Nov 12	Wycombe W. JPT AQ		2-1 W	3,940 (221)	Belford	Byrne	Ward	Hall	McEveley
Sat Nov 16	Colchester United	A	2-1 W	3,334 (323)	Foderingham	Byrne	Ward	Hall	McEveley
Sat Nov 23	Leyton Orient	H	1-3 L	8,634 (562)	Foderingham	N Thompson	Ward	Hall	McEveley
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9	Nile Ranger	16(2)	1	2	(1)	19(3)	7			19(3)
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#### **TODAY'S MASCOTS**





Kian Harfield: Age: 10 Favourite player: Alex Pritchard





Lewis Whettam: Age: 10 Favourite player: Alex Pritchard





James Whettam: Age: 11 Favourite player: Yaser Kasim





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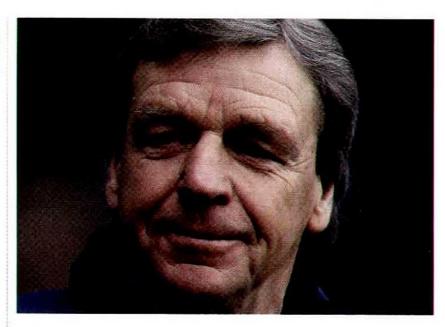
THEY say that 'legend' is a word which is handed out too quickly these days.

IT would seem that you only have to buy a few rounds of drinks or help someone shift a couple of pot plants when they move house to attain legendary status.

Depending where you're sitting when you read this, you only have to look directly opposite you, above you or to your right (don't take this too literally if you're reading the programme at home) to see the name of a man who has made more of an impact in Swindon than most councillors or MPs ever will.

Today Swindon face a side who has just seen one of their legends step down from his role as manager after a poor run of results made him realise that he wasn't the man to carry the club forward. I can't imagine what it must have been like for Graham Turner to make that decision about a team he has been associated with for nearly fifteen years in two spells at Shrewsbury, but what we need to watch out for today is how that team reacts to his resignation.

When confidence is low at a club, a change in manager can do wonders as players feel that a cloud has been lifted from them and they can play with more freedom. You only have to look at lain Dowie's first season at Crystal Palace to see how it can happen when a run of seventeen wins in twenty three games took them from nineteenth in the Championship to winning the Play-Offs. I don't see the same effect happening



with today's visitors but the team is under huge pressure to stay in League 1 and a fresh start could give them some impetus at Fortress County Ground.

There have been things happening here this week which could give the players a lift. The signing (as revealed by BBC Wiltshire on Tuesday evening) of striker Michael Smith from Charlton will provide the team with more competition in one certain area and give Mark Cooper an added option in a position where he has been limited by the behaviour of his current staff so far this season. It will be interesting to see how the strikers at The County Ground respond to the signing of Smith. You'd hope that they see this new-found competition as an incentive to up their

performance levels and to quote Mark Cooper, be "at it" in training as well as games.

After a week which most Town fans will want to forget, today we aet to see Swindon where they play best and could possibly see new signing George Barker stake his claim for a starting place after being one of the few bright spots to come out of the last seven days along with Swindon's new centre-forward. One man who'll be watching with a keen eve is someone who sits in his permanent seat in the Arkell's and he might have a quick glance opposite him to see if any of Town's new players could one day match his own legendary status.

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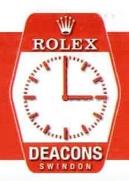






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Rvan MASON 8

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Alex PRITCHARD 11

Dany N'GUESSAN 12

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Mark FRANCIS 16

Connor WALDON 17

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Louis THOMPSON 19

Miles STOREY 20

Alex SMITH 21

(CAPT) Darren WARD 22

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(GK) Tyrrell BELFORD 25

Agron OAKLEY 26

Harry AGOMBAR 27 .

Raphael BRANCO 29

COLUMN BERNATURE

(GK) Leigh BEDWELL 30

George BARKER 33

Kayden JACKSON 35

Ben GLADWIN 39

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#### Referee:

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