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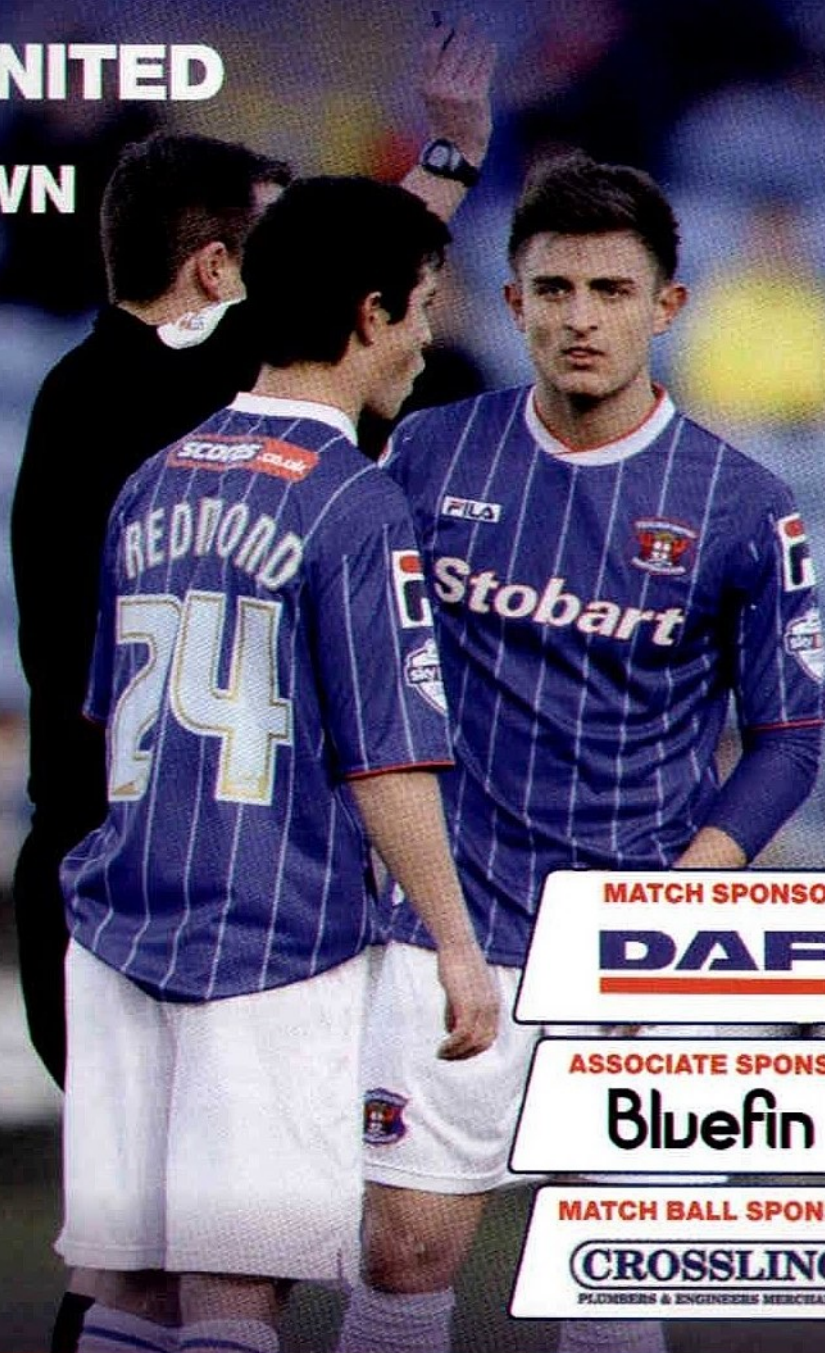


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**Our Season Ticket holders are invited to an exclusive first team training session to be held here on the main pitch at Brunton Park on Monday 14 April 2014.**

Season Ticket Holders can gain access to the session via the gates on the West side of the stadium – doors are due to open at 10.15am on the day (please keep an eye on the official website for confirmation of training session timings closer to the date).

Deputy managing director Suzanne Kidd said: "We are constantly looking for ways to make our Season Ticket holders feel valued and we think this is a good way for them to get up close and personal with the players.

"As well as watching a serious training session we will be adding a bit of fun for the younger fans that come along on the day. Anyone under the age of 16 who has a Carlisle United home or away shirt on will be entered into a draw, and ten lucky supporters will

get to take part in a mini-game and training session with the players once the main part of the session is done."

Media officer Andy Hall said: "We would encourage our Season Ticket holders to bring their children – sons, daughters, nephews, nieces – to this session. Youngsters under the age of 16 do not need to be Season Ticket holders as long as they are accompanied by an adult who is a current Season Ticket holder.

"This should be a good way to mix a bit of fun with the serious side of the work the players do and it's an event we are all looking forward to."

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## **Good afternoon and welcome to our game against Swindon Town today.**

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mark, his staff and players to our stadium this afternoon. Swindon are obviously looking to get the results they need to claim a play-off place and we wish them every success with that target – after today's game, of course!

They are a good side with some very good players and there is no doubt that we will have to work hard for anything we get from this game. They are a side who can play football so we want to see more of the energy and determination which has brought us a run of clean sheets over the course of the last few games. Swindon come here on a run of very good form of their own, but we are confident that we will cause them problems if we do things the right way.

The lads have had another good week of preparation following the away draw at Tranmere last Saturday. That was our third clean sheet from four games, and from what has been a very solid set of defensive performances. We perhaps haven't got the points we deserved with the way we have played, but we have a solid foundation to build on. We know that if we can be more clinical and add a bit of quality in the final third then we are going to pick up the points we need.

“ ... Swindon come here on a run of very good form but we are confident that we will cause them problems if we do things the right way ... ”

I think our fans have responded to the work rate and energy they have seen, home and away, magnificently. The noise right through the 90 minutes at Prenton Park was unbelievable and we saw the way the players responded to it. That shows us that everyone wants the best for their football club and we are determined to deliver that for them. All we can ask is that we get the same again in each of the seven games left to play. As we have said on a number of occasions, we are a formidable club when we all stick together and pull in the same direction, and I have no doubt that we can push on if we all focus on the job we have to do.

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# MEET THE VISITORS SWINDON TOWN



## MEET THE MANAGER MARK COOPER

**Mark Cooper was named First Team Manager in August 2013 after a spell in temporary charge.**

He had previously served as Assistant Manager to former incumbent Kevin MacDonald and left his post as manager of AFC Telford United to link up with Town.

Cooper made over 400 appearances as a player in the 1990s and played for a host of league clubs including Birmingham City and Fulham.

In 2004, he made the jump into management with Tamworth. He enjoyed some memorable runs in the FA Cup whilst in charge of Tamworth before he joined Kettering.

He repeated his success in the FA Cup with the Poppies and guided them to the Conference North title. In 2009, he was appointed manager of Peterborough United.

Following his departure from London Road, he took the reins at Darlington and guided them to FA Trophy success at Wembley in 2011.



TEAM	From	To	Games	W	D	L
Swindon	24 Jul 2013	Present	47	18	12	17
Darlington	29 Jun 2010	25 Oct 2011	74	32	22	20
Peterborough	16 Nov 2009	1 Feb 2010	13	1	4	8
Kettering	16 May 2007	13 Nov 2009	128	73	30	25



# MEET THE ROBINS SQUAD



## WES FODERINGHAM

The shot-stopper came through the ranks with Fulham's Academy before moving to Crystal Palace. Initially joined Swindon on loan in 2012 and enjoyed a prolific start to his Town career

where he didn't concede a goal in his first five games. A string of fine performances saw him earn a permanent contract in January 2012 and went on to help Town claim the League Two championship at the end of the season in addition to making an appearance at Wembley in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final. He was virtually ever-present as Swindon made the League One play-offs last term. Penned a new contract in the summer.



## NATHAN THOMPSON

A product of the STFC Academy, the youngster appeared among the substitutes on a number of occasions in the 2009/2010 season, but did not feature for the first team. The 2012/13 campaign

was his best in a Town shirt to date and the tough-tackling defender was a regular as Swindon made the League One Play-Offs. One of the standout performers of Town's season, he was named the Swindon Advertiser Player of the Year in April but missed the final stages of the campaign with an ankle injury.



## NATHAN BYRNE

Byrne penned a two-year deal with Swindon in the summer of 2013 after a successful loan spell the previous campaign. The defender played in both legs of Town's play-off final defeat to Brentford

and was unfortunate to receive a red card in the second leg at Griffin Park. Back in a permanent deal, the defender has played at left-back and right-back this season and has even played in an advanced role on the right wing, a move which brought him his first goal of the campaign against Gillingham.



## MASSIMO LUONGO

Luongo joined Swindon from Tottenham on a season-long loan in the summer before completing a permanent move just before transfer deadline day. The midfielder is in his second spell

at The County Ground having spent time on loan at the club at the end of the 2012/13 season. He scored the opening goal of Swindon's play-off campaign against Brentford and played in both legs as Town were knocked out at the semi-final stage. The stylish midfielder will be looking to push on in 2014 after netting six times in the first half of the campaign.



## GRANT HALL

A tall, imposing centre-half. Hall signed on a season-long loan from Tottenham Hotspur in the summer of 2013. After making his Town debut on the opening day of the season, in Swindon's 1-0

defeat at Peterborough United, Hall has been virtually ever-present at the back this season and has formed a solid partnership at the heart of the Town defence alongside skipper Darren Ward.



## TIJANE REIS

The Portuguese winger signed a two-year deal with the Town in the summer of 2013. A tricky customer with an eye for goal, he made his debut for the club in the opening day defeat

to Peterborough at London Road. After starting the next two games, an injury has halted his progress although he has recently made a return to action.



## RYAN HARLEY

The experienced midfielder joined Town in July 2013 after his release from Brighton and Hove Albion. Made his name with Exeter City before securing a move to Swansea City. From there he

moved east to Brighton and had a spell on loan at MK Dons in the latter part of the 2012/13 campaign.



## RYAN MASON

Mason signed a season-long loan deal with the Town in July 2013, joining from Tottenham Hotspur. The midfielder had made a first-team appearances for Spurs in the Europa League

and last season's Capital One Cup. Made his Swindon bow at Peterborough on the opening day of the 2013/14 campaign. After an early injury, he burst back onto the scene, scoring a hat-trick in Swindon's 5-0 demolition of Crewe Alexandra.



## NILE RANGER

The former Newcastle United man put pen-to-paper on a one-year contract at The County Ground in the summer of 2013. He stepped off the bench to make his Town debut against

Shrewsbury Town. Scored his first goal in the Capital One Cup victory against QPR before notching his first league goal against Crewe at SN1.



## ALEX PRITCHARD

Pritchard joined Town on a season-long youth loan from Tottenham Hotspur in the summer.

After a spell at Peterborough United towards the end of the 2012/13 campaign, the winger made his Swindon bow at London Road on the opening day of the 2013/14 season. He notched his first Town goal in the Capital One Cup victory at QPR. Has international caps with England's Under-20s and represented his country at the recent Under-20 World Cup



## DANY N'GUESSAN

N'Guessan penned a deal until the end of the 2013/14 campaign just before the end of the summer transfer window. The former Millwall man

has played for a number of clubs in the Football League, with his most prolific stint coming whilst at Lincoln City. Has also played for Leicester City.





### JAY MCEVELEY

A former trainee with Blackburn Rovers, McEveley joined Derby County in 2007 after loan spells with Burnley, Gillingham and Ipswich, helping the Rams to the Premier League in 2007. The 27-year-old joined the Tykes on a free transfer from Derby in the summer of 2010 and made 49 appearances at Oakwell. He has over 200 league appearances to his name and after impressing during his loan spell at The County Ground, he returned on a permanent deal in the summer of 2012.



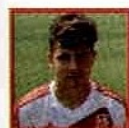
### YASER KASIM

A former player with Brighton and Hove Albion's Academy side, Kasim penned a permanent deal with the Town ahead of the 2013/14 campaign. In his time at the Amex Stadium, the classy holding midfielder spent time on loan at Luton Town and Macclesfield Town. Netted his first Swindon goal in the win over Coventry City in December.



### MARK FRANCIS

Another product of the club's Academy system, Francis penned senior forms with Swindon ahead of the 2013/14 campaign. Made his Swindon bow at Sheffield United towards the end of the 2012/13 season.



### CONNOR WALDON

Swindon-born Waldon is a product of the club's Academy system, signing professional forms in the summer of 2013. He made his Town debut as a substitute against Stevenage at the end of the 2012/13 season.



### ALEX FERGUSON

Ferguson turned professional with the Town in the summer of 2013 after graduating from the Academy. He is a former Under-18 Captain.



### LOUIS THOMPSON

The youngster came up through the ranks at the STFC Academy and made his debut for the first team whilst still a first year scholar at Leicester City in the FA Cup fourth round in January 2012. Last term, his appearance alongside brother Nathan in an FA Cup tie against Macclesfield made a little bit of history: the first time two brothers had played in the same Swindon side since 1947. After penning a professional deal in the summer, Thompson has made a number of appearances this campaign. He has also represented Wales at youth level.



### MILES STOREY

Another STFC Academy product, he made his first team debut from the bench at the end of the 2010/11 season as a substitute against Oldham Athletic. After signing a professional deal in the summer of 2012, he made his full Town debut in the 4-0 win at Stevenage and wasted little time in making an impression, as he also scored his first Town goal on the day. He then thrust himself into the limelight, scoring twice off the bench in a Capital One Cup tie against Aston Villa. The frontman was included in the England Under-19's squad for the friendly with Finland at Telford in November 2012 and was handed a starting role.



### ALEX SMITH

Smith joined Town from Fulham in the summer of 2013 where he had made appearances in the first team at Craven Cottage. The defender made his Swindon debut on the opening day of the 2013/14 season at Peterborough but had been sidelined with an injury sustained in Town's Capital One Cup win at QPR. Has recently made a return to the side.



### DARREN WARD

As Swindon's Captain, Ward marshals the team from his position at centre-half. After joining initially on loan last summer from Millwall, the 33-year old made his Town debut against local rivals Oxford United before penning a permanent deal in January 2012. He started his career as a youngster at Watford making 67 appearances, including a number of Premiership games before then Millwall boss Mark McGhee brought him to The Den in 2001. During his four years at the club, The Lions reached the FA Cup Final in 2004 and then had a taste of UEFA Cup action. Ward moved to Crystal Palace in a £1.1m deal in the summer of 2005 where he racked up 69 appearances before switching to Wolves. He put pen to paper on a brand new contract this summer.



### JACK BARTHRAM

The versatile youngster, who can play in defence or in midfield, penned a one-year deal with Swindon at the start of the 2013/14 campaign. Barthram had previously played with Tottenham Hotspur's youth team before his release in the summer. Scored his first senior goal in the JPT win over Plymouth Argyle at The County Ground.



### TYRELL BELFORD

Belford signed a deal with Town in the summer of 2013 following his release from Liverpool's Academy and provides cover for Wes Foderingham alongside Leigh Bedwell. The highly-rated youngster was at Coventry before he was snapped up by the Anfield outfit. He made his Town bow in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy win over Plymouth Argyle and helped secure Swindon's place in the Area Final, saving two penalties in the shoot-out win over Stevenage in the Area Semi-Final. Made his league debut against Leyton Orient in February.

# MEET THE ROBINS SQUAD

## AARON OAKLEY

A product of the STFC Academy, Oakley penned his first senior deal in the summer of 2013. The 6'7" central defender was a regular for Town's youth sides and has also represented Wales at youth level. He was named on Swindon's first team bench last term but has yet to make an appearance.



## MICHAEL SMITH

A January signing from Charlton Athletic, the striker made the perfect start to his Swindon career when he netted twice on his debut against Shrewsbury at The County Ground. After learning his trade with the renowned Wallsend Boys Club, Smith started his career with Darlington. Has also spent time on loan with at club in Leagues 1 and 2 and was most recently on loan at Wimbledon.



## RAPHAEL BRANCO

Formerly with the academy at Brighton and Hove Albion, the Brazilian centre-half penned a deal with Town in the summer after a successful trial period. Made his debut against Plymouth Argyle in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy. He stepped off the bench to make his league debut in a 1-1 draw at Bradford City.

## LEIGH BEDWELL

Bedwell is a Swindon Town fan and was one of two second year scholars awarded a one-year professional deal with the club ahead of the 2012/13 season. He made his professional debut for Town from the bench at Preston North End on Sunday 2nd September in League One.



## GEORGE BARKER

Barker is a product of the youth system at Brighton and Hove Albion and made his Seagulls debut in March 2013, coming on as a substitute at Barnsley. Has spent time on loan at clubs in the lower leagues and was most recently with Newport County before putting pen to paper on a contract at The County Ground. The winger/inside forward made his Town debut at Stevenage in January.

## JAMIE RECKORD

The defender joined Town on loan towards the end of the January transfer window. After making his debut from the bench against Shrewsbury Town, he started the next two games at Walsall and against Oldham. Last featured for Swindon in the defeat at Leyton Orient.

## KAYDEN JACKSON

Kayden was one of two lucky winners of Samsung's 'Win A Pro Contract' competition in 2013. The Bradford-born striker joined up with Town in pre-season but is yet to feature in a first-team match.

## BEN GLADWIN

Formerly with the Academy at Reading, Gladwin penned a professional contract with Swindon at the end of November. Signed from Marlow FC, the central midfielder had piled his trade in the non-leagues before moving to Wiltshire after impressing on trial. He made his Town bow in the JPT win over Stevenage at The County Ground and earned his first league appearance when he stepped off the bench in the Boxing Day defeat at Brentford.



## JACK STEPHENS

The centre-half is currently on loan from Premier League side, Southampton. Shortly after signing for Town, Stephens went straight into the starting line-up for the derby day draw at Bristol City in the middle of March. Formerly with Plymouth Argyle, the youngster penned a new long-term contract with Saints last summer.



## TROY ARCHIBALD-HENVILLE

Signed from Exeter City in the summer of 2012, the centre-half has seen his progress at Swindon halted by a series of long-term injuries but has recently come back into the team. Troy started his career at Tottenham Hotspur and enjoyed a successful loan spell with Exeter before penning a permanent deal with the Grecians in 2010.



# MEET THE VISITORS SWINDON TOWN



## A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ROBINS

**Nickname:** The Robins

**Home:** The County Ground

**Formed:** 1879

Swindon Town Football Club was founded by Reverend William Pitt of Liddington in 1879.



Swindon reached the FA Cup semi-finals for the first time in the 1909-10 season, losing to eventual winners Newcastle United. In 1910-11, Swindon Town won the Southern League championship, earning them a Charity Shield match with the Football League champions Manchester United. This, the highest-scoring Charity Shield game to date, was played on 25 September 1911 at Stamford Bridge with Manchester United winning 8-4.

Swindon entered the Football League in 1920 as a founding member of Division Three and defeated Luton Town F.C. 9-1 in their first game of the season. This result stands as a record for the club in League matches. The club secured their first ever promotion in 1962/63. Bert Head's young side finished second in Division Three and included players like Ernie Hunt and Mike Summerbee.

In 1969 Swindon beat Arsenal 3-1 to win the League Cup for the first and only time in the club's history. Roger Smart opened the scoring before two goals from club legend Don Rogers sealed victory. As they were not a First Division club, Swindon were denied entry into the Fairs' Cup (latterly the UEFA Cup and Europa League) so a two-legged, Anglo-Italian League Cup Winners' Cup tie against Coppa Italia winners AS Roma was arranged. Town triumphed 5-2 on aggregate. Later on in the 1969/70 season, Town won the inaugural Anglo-Italian Cup competition, beating Napoli 3-0 in the final.

Following the appointment of Lou Macari in 1984, Town were promoted as Division Four champions in 1986 with the club achieving a Football League record of 102 points, becoming the second club to score over 100 points in a season and breaking no fewer than 16 club

records in the process. A year later they defeated Gillingham in the Third Division play-offs to achieve a second successive promotion. Macari

left in 1989 to take charge of West Ham United with former Argentine international Ossie Ardiles replacing him. In his first season Swindon were Second Division play-off winners beating Sunderland 1-0 at Wembley. However, the club later admitted 36 charges of breaching league rules, 35 due to illegal payments made to players, and were relegated to the Third Division. A later appeal saw Swindon Town being allowed to stay in the Second Division.

In 1992-93, under the stewardship of Glenn Hoddle, Swindon beat Leicester City 4-3 in the Division One play-off final to achieve promotion to the Premiership — bringing top-division football to the club for the first time. Swindon won the Division Two Championship in 1996 under the stewardship of former Liverpool midfielder Steve McMahon.



The 2009/10 season ended in Play-Off Final heartbreak for Swindon, as they went down 1-0 to Millwall, the club's first defeat at Wembley. After relegation back to the basement division in 2010/11, former West Ham, Sheffield Wednesday and Celtic striker Paolo Di Canio took the reigns at the County Ground. The Italian led the club to the League Two title in 2011/12, securing an instant return to League One in his first season in charge. Di Canio also led his team out at Wembley in the final of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy where they lost 2-0 to Chesterfield.



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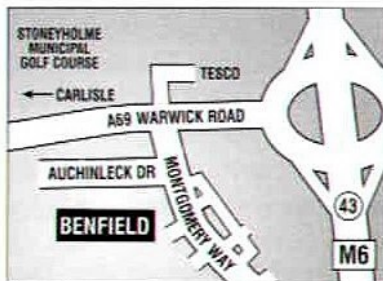
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## Carlisle United

Westwood, Raven, Livesey, Keogh, Aranalde, Anyinsah (Gall 86), Lumsdon, Bridge-Wilkinson (Thirlwell 79), Hackney, Garner, Carlton (Graham 61).

Subs - Howarth, Murphy.

Goals - Anyinsah (27, 54), Garner (75)

Bookings - Bridge-Wilkinson (48)

## Swindon Town

Brezovan, Smith, Easton, McGovern, Comminges (Blackburn 78), Nicholas, Aljofree, Pook, Paynter (Corr 57), Tozer, Cox (Sturrock 74).

Subs - Allen, Scott.

Bookings - Tozer (63, sent off, professional foul), Pook (65)

**United remained unchanged from their last outing as they returned to League action at Brunton Park for the first time since the 3-1 victory over Leeds United at the start of November, with managerless Swindon Town the latest visitors.**

With top spot beckoning, John Ward stuck with the eleven who had earned him a point in the tough away trip to the Withdean Stadium ten days ago, bringing captain Paul Thirlwell on to the bench after his near 3-month absence through injury.

A full-blooded start saw the ball pinging from half to half, without the forwards finding the space they needed to really test the target. Billy Paynter nodded wide from just inside the penalty area in the 3rd minute, following a Smith cross, and Joe Garner sent a long range effort wide 60 seconds later when he ran at the heart of the Robins defence, but the players struggled to settle to the pace of the game as the tackles flew in.

Bridge-Wilkinson brought safety first from Brezovan on 11 minutes when he curled a free kick towards goal, and the big keeper opted to push it behind as it looped towards his top corner. Joe Garner was close to putting the delivery away from the set piece, but his glancing header flew through a gaggle of

bodies and bounced harmlessly behind.

A series of corners followed and Keogh had the crowd on their feet in the 14th minute when he met the ball on the full, having left his marker standing, but the connection lacked direction and went well wide.

Great vision from Lumsdon unlocked the Robins defence in the 18th minute when his long ball invited Anyinsah to go on a run. The pacy wide man got a touch on it, to take it beyond Brezovan, but Nicholas was covering and blocked well, denying the Carlisle winger his shooting opportunity.

Quick thinking from Lumsdon then released Hackney in the 21st minute, and he did everything right as he went beyond his man and sent in an accurate cross. Danny Carlton looked well placed but he mistimed his jump and the header fell nicely for the Robins stopper to claim. Michael Pook will have felt that he should have done better for Swindon when he found space at the other end, but he couldn't find the target with a 22 yard drive that was wild and wide when it came.

The breakthrough came for the Cumbrians in the 27th minute when a floated cross eventually broke to Garner. His powerful shot was blocked, but the ricochets set it up nicely for the





waiting Joe Anyinsah, who made no mistake as he volleyed it home from just 9 yards out.

Simon Hackney was enjoying his evening and he tied Smith in knots on the half hour before clipping another teasing cross in to the area. Carlton stretched, but he could only get the merest of touches as the ball ran tantalisingly away from him.

Joe Garner put a header right at Brezovan in United's next attack, and then he demonstrated quick feet to create space for a lobbed cross that Anyinsah had been screaming for. His thundering volley looked to be doubling his tally for the night, but Brezovan went on the dive and somehow clawed it off his line.

A Jack Smith free kick reminded Carlisle that there was still work to be done as it begged for a touch from the advancing strikers but, fortunately for the home side, it evaded everyone and the moment was gone. Two miscued clearances, from Garner and Aranalde, invited yet more pressure in the 42nd minute, and United were relieved to see a McGovern cross go too high, completely missing out the waiting players.

Danny Carlton, still searching for his first goal for the club, came close as half time approached when Hackney crossed early, finding the mobile front man on the move. Shooting early he went for the top corner, but it rose sharply and flew a yard over the keeper's near post.

With a strong wind in their favour for the second half United looked to capitalise, with Simon Hackney wasting no time at all in testing Brezovan with a long range shot. It bounced awkwardly in front of the keeper, but he watched it all the way and was able to smother it as it rose up in to his arms.

Carlton almost burst clear in the 52nd minute when Lumsdon picked him out with a chipped pass, but Smith was on his toes and got the tackle in as the Carlisle man brought the ball down from his chest.

Joe Anyinsah made it 2-0 in the 54th minute with a superb finish, clinically drilling a Joe Garner nod down beyond Brezovan and in to the back of the net from 13 yards out. The on-loan winger had plenty to do, but he kept his head and made sure that he found the target with what was a difficult shot to pull off.

The Robins refused to give up, though, and Cox came close with a deft header in the 60th minute when he found himself on the end of an Easton cross. He tried to place it, but it went behind as it dropped just a foot over the bar.

Ben Tozer was shown the red card in the 63rd minute when he took Joe Garner to the ground, but there was controversy as the Referee initially waved play on following the challenge. It took a confirmatory flag from the Assistant to bring the whistle, and the sending off had to follow due to the nature of the offence.

Anyinsah was denied his hat-trick on 67 minutes when he lashed a left-foot volley through the defensive gaggle, arrowing it towards the bottom corner. The keeper made himself big, blocking it well, and Smith was able to sweep it clear as Garner ran in.

Simon Cox put another header wide as the Robins kept going, but it wasn't his night, and he frustratingly wheeled away, knowing that he should have done much better.

The points were wrapped up in the 75th minute when Joe Garner timed his near post run perfectly to meet a curling delivery from Hackney. A firm touch left Brezovan rooted to the spot, and he could only watch as it zipped beyond him and in to the back of the net.

Lumsdon was having an influential game and he sparked another flowing move in the 77th minute when he found Hackney with a 40 yard pass. The nippy left winger took it to his man before crossing low, but it was just in front of Anyinsah, who threw everything at it in an attempt to get the vital touch.

The ten men of the Robins were finding it difficult, and both Lumsdon and Aranalde tried their luck as shooting became the order of the day for the blue shirts.

It was comfortable for the Cumbrians, and Danny Graham was disappointed not to be able to cap things off when he had a late volley blocked, well inside the penalty area.

Loud applause greeted the final whistle as the fans showed their appreciation for the much improved and very disciplined display.



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Sub: **Eden Hazard**



Sub: **Sergio Busquets**



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**Pedro** - Another who would make it into any team and was very difficult to leave out.



**Thiago Silva** - Another strong defender but Pique just edged him. To be captain of his club and country says a lot about the type of player he is.

# LEAGUE 1 NEWS & VIEWS



IT'S THE REGULAR **SkyBET** LEAGUE ONE ROUND UP with **Mark Mandale...**

**April is a big month for all teams, an upturn in form and fortune could see a team rise quickly up the table and secure promotion, a play-off place or safety in the knowledge they will be playing League One football next season. However, for some players they have already played their final game of the season, and for teams with something to play for it has been a cruel blow to lose such a key individual.**

Colchester United have signed defender **Alex Wynter** from Crystal Palace on loan until the end of the season. The 20-year-old, who can play in either the centre-back or right-back roles, has made only two senior appearances for Palace and featured in their 2-1 defeat at the hands of Bristol City in the first Round of the Capital One Cup in August. Meanwhile, veteran winger Karl Duguid, 36, has announced he will retire at the end of the season after making 475 appearances and scoring 48 goals for the club during two spells either side of a three year stay with Plymouth Argyle. He began his career with the Essex side as a trainee in July 1996 before leaving to join Plymouth in June 2008 he made 115 appearances for the Pilgrims before returning to Essex in July 2011. However he hasn't featured much during his second spell with the club, although remaining registered as a player he has instead been working with the coaching team. Duguid spoke about the decision: "It is a little bit sad but you don't need to be a rocket scientist to realise that my playing career was coming to an end. It has been on my mind recently but I have already been looking very much ahead to the next stage of my life, coaching. It's something that I'm really looking forward to pursuing and it's great that I've been given the chance to start it here at Colchester United, where I've spent much of my football career already."

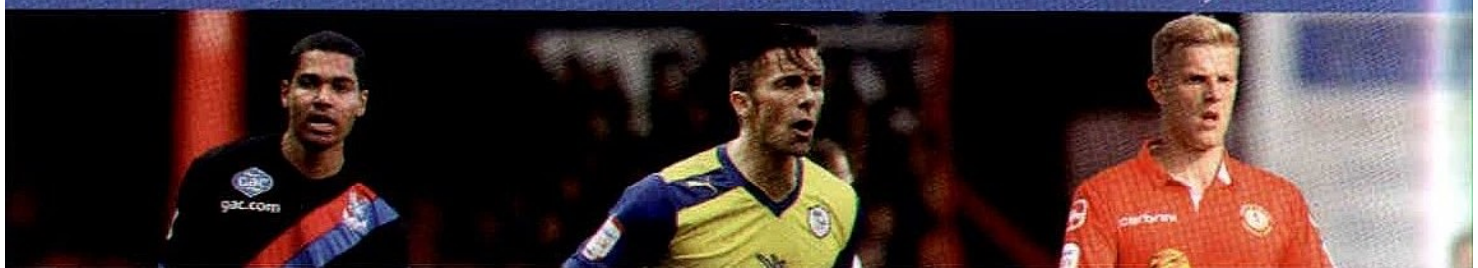
Coventry City have signed Sheffield Wednesday midfielder **David Prutton** on loan for the rest of the season. The 32-year-old started off the season well and made eight appearances for the club, however since the arrival of new boss Stuart Gray he has only managed two substitute appearances for the Owls, both of which came during March. Sky Blues manager Steven Pressley said: "He has played at the highest domestic level. He also has a detailed knowledge of this division and its demands. We are delighted to have him on board to help us finish the season on a high note. With the loan departures of Adam Barton and Billy Daniels and John Fleck's two-game suspension it was vitally important that we brought in a player with established quality, leadership skills and experience and David certainly fits that mould." Prutton began his career as a trainee with Nottingham Forest and went on to made 155 appearances for the club before making a £2.5million move to Southampton in January 2003. He briefly returned to Forest on loan before joining Leeds on a free transfer following their relegation to League One in 2007. He has also had spells with Colchester, Swindon and Scunthorpe at this level. Meanwhile, former Carlisle loanee Nathan Eccleston has joined the club on loan until the end of the season. The 23-year-old made three appearances for the Cumbrian's but failed to score and returned to Blackpool after his initial month loan expired.

Crewe Alexandra have been hit with the news that central defender **Harry Davis** will miss the rest of the season after he underwent surgery on a knee injury. The 22-year-old suffered a dislocated knee after a collision in training, it was feared the injury was more serious than first thought but scans revealed he needed an operation to tighten up some ligament damage caused by the dislocation. Davis, who is the son of Alex boss Steve Davis, made his debut in the final game of the 2009/2010 season and has gone on to make 135 appearances for the club scoring ten goals. Meanwhile, Crewe have offered contract extension to four of their

Alex Wynter

David Prutton

Harry Davis



brightest prospects. Goalkeeper Ben Garratt, 19, defenders Ollie Turton, 21, and Jon Guthrie, 21, and midfielder Liam Nolan, 19, have all been offered new deals. Boss Steve Davis told BBC Radio Stoke: "We give our young players the opportunity to come through and keep on improving. I'm sure there is more to come from them. Our young players are heading in the right direction and improving all the time. All I would say to those young players is to get their futures sorted out as quickly as possible and accept the terms."

Gillingham have lost the services of Charlton striker **Joe Pigott** after he was recalled back to the Valley by new Addicks boss Jose Riga. The 20-year-old joined the Gills at the end of January on an initial one month loan deal, and impressed boss Peter Taylor enough to earn a further month's stay. He managed to make a total of seven appearances, his only goal coming against Carlisle in Gillingham's 2-1 victory at Brunton Park in February. He made 10 appearances for the Addicks first team at the start of the 2013/14 campaign and scored his first senior goal from the penalty spot in the 4-0 Capital One Cup win over Oxford City. Meanwhile, defender Sam Muggleton has joined Barnet on loan until the end of the season. The 18-year old has only made one senior appearance for the club this season, having made his debut at the end of last season.

Notts County have extended striker **Nathan Tyson**'s loan deal from Blackpool until the end of the season. The 31-year-old joined the club on loan at the beginning of March and has made six appearances so far, three of which have been from the bench, but he has yet to score for the Magpies. Tyson joined Blackpool in September 2013 but has yet to make an appearance for the Seaside this season, his only other pitch time came from a month loan spell with League Two side Fleetwood Town where he made 5 appearances. Tyson's previous clubs include, Reading, Maidenhead, Swansea City, Cheltenham Town, Wycombe Wanderers, Nottingham Forest, Derby County and Millwall.

Port Vale have been rocked by the news that first choice goalkeeper **Chris Neal** is likely to miss the rest of the season after injuring ligaments in his ankle. The 28-year-old shot stopper has made 38 appearances for the Valiants this season, but had to be stretchered off in the 3-2 win over Tranmere following a collision with Rovers defender Ian Goodison in the final few minutes of the game. Vale's number two keeper Sam Johnson will stand in for the injured Neal, having already deputised for him over the Christmas period. Development squad keeper Ryan Boot has been recalled from his loan spell with Worcester City to act as cover for Johnson. Neal began his career with Preston as a trainee and had loan spells with Tamworth, Shrewsbury and Morecambe before eventually joining Shrewsbury in July 2009 for a nominal fee. He spent three seasons with the Shrews before joining Port Vale in July 2012 and has

Stevenage midfielder **Dean Parrett** will miss the rest of the season after his anterior cruciate knee ligament. The 22-year-old former Tottenham Hotspur trainee joined the club in October 2013 following his release at White Hart Lane last summer. He has made 16 appearances for Stevenage this term and scored the opening goal in their 3-2 defeat at the hands of MK Dons two weeks ago, but was carried off on the hour mark after picking up the injury. Stevenage manager Graham Westley spoke to the club's website: "With the surgical expertise nowadays, this type of injury can be turned around inside six months. He is due to see the consultant on Thursday and we are hoping that he can be operated on as soon as possible." During his time with Tottenham he only managed four Europa League appearances but had loan spells with Aldershot, Plymouth, Charlton, Yeovil and today's opponents Swindon Town. Meanwhile, MK Dons defender Tom Flanagan has joined the club on loan until the end of the season. He has only featured six times for his parent club this season and picked up a red card 13 minutes into his first league start of the season.

Joe Pigott

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# Paddock Patter

...with **TIM GRAHAM**

Well, it would seem that one of my various hobby horses seems to be running down the track nicely at the moment with



the recent news that the Football Association has for the first time allowed the use of artificial pitches in every round of the FA Cup from next season onwards. The present situation being that **artificial pitches** are only allowed up to the first round proper of the competition, while in the pyramid structure they are only permitted up to Evo-Stik League Premier level.

Conference clubs then still seem to be rather behind the times as they voted in late January to veto the idea of having artificial pitches at Premier, North and South level by a margin of 21 votes to 11 at a meeting in Telford. The idea being mooted by Ryman Premier promotion chasing Maidstone United who had a 3G pitch installed at their newly built Gallagher Stadium in July 2012, the pitch receiving the same FIFA two star rating as the Luzhniki Stadium in Moscow. So, it's alright to play Champions League games on it, but not a Conference South fixture. Go figure.

Having said that, even at that level of the pyramid things are skewed towards the bigger clubs as the voting rules give the 24 Premier clubs one vote each, while the 44 North and South get just eight votes between them, quite why that is the case I have no idea but it seems utterly ridiculous. The idea being voted down despite the large amount of postponements that had taken place across the three divisions in the same month as the vote was taken, with New Year's Day itself seeing 22 of the 34 scheduled matches postponed.

It's not just the fact that getting games played saves money two ways either, firstly you don't waste money on the day the game is off through catering, staffing etc. and also you get to play your match on a Saturday when attendances are always higher than they are for rearranged midweek matches. Then there is the profit that an artificial surface can bring in through being hired out, income which can be an absolute lifeblood to some non-league clubs.

Maidstone themselves saying in the 2012-13 season that they brought in £110,000 of direct income from hiring out the pitch, while estimating in the same time period around £75,000 worth of additional revenue had been earned as an indirect effect of it. Not forgetting of course that it also becomes a community asset facility of use to everyone in the local area. Another positive aspect being that it also gives the first team a surface on which to train all year round when a lot of grass pitches are frozen or waterlogged.

Some though like to put forward the argument that an artificial surface gives the home side a massive advantage as they are used to playing on it, well that would be the case in the league if they only played every game at home. But, they don't, they'll end up having half their matches on a surface they are used to and the other half as away games on a grass pitch they aren't used to. Maidstone at the time of writing this season for example have 43 points at home and 28 away, which is about as normal as you can get, while another artificial surface club in Stockport Sports (formerly Woodley Sports) have in their North West Counties campaign 24 points at home and 23 away. So, I don't see any advantage there for either of those clubs.

There is another argument out there from people that it's not proper football and that you can't make sliding tackles, well they play rugby of both codes and American Football on artificial surfaces these days and you aren't going to get much stronger tackling than you do in those sports, and if it takes out some of the more dangerous tackles you see in football then that can hardly be a bad thing either. And one final point, **Lionel Messi** joined Barcelona at the age of 13 and learnt his trade playing on artificial pitches for the junior teams, and it's hardly done his career any harm.



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# FOCUS ON YOUTH

We spoke to Academy manager **ALAN MOORE** following the Burnley and Oldham games.



"It's been good, again, for the lads to get some minutes on the pitch under their belts," he said.

"I love playing against Burnley for a number of reasons. They play football in a great way, they have good tempo and they're not all about results. They're about bringing players through and they've shown that again by getting to the semi-finals of the U21 development cup. They are the only category 3 club to get to that stage, so they have a proven record of developing up and coming young players. They're always a tough test and the lads had to put a real shift in to get their result.

"A lot of things I am trying to implement were on display in that game with the way Burnley play. It was good for our lads to see the standard that I would like us to get to, at some stage. I've looked back over the DVD from the game and we coped with it really well on the day. We now need to make sure that it wasn't a one-off performance. The lads have set a standard and I want to see them maintain it."

"The Oldham game ended up as a 4-1 defeat, but I can accept that because it wasn't a real reflection of how the game went," he continued. "We created a lot of chances but, again, it's not so much about that. It's about the way we want to bring new ideas in, so we're asking the lads to do slightly different things at the moment. It isn't always easy to do that half way through a season and we tend to use the games as a way of helping it all to sink in."

"The group has had a bit of a rest from the intensity of the games this week but we go again with a home game against Shrewsbury on Saturday," he told us. "It's another opportunity for us to see how quickly they can take the information we're giving them on board and that's an aspect which has been pleasing so far."

"Yes, there has to be bits of fine tuning, but I don't mind that. The bigger picture is about getting players through to the next stage so we have to keep reminding everyone that it isn't always about the final result on a Saturday afternoon."

"To be fair to this group I can see they all want to learn," he said. "We're giving them the games to watch on DVD so they can go away and look at themselves. If they aren't too sure about anything they can then come and sit with me and we'll go over it again until they know what we're looking for."

"It's been part of the learning curve for the lads to actually sit, reflect on, and analyse their own performances. It's a big part of their development from the age of 16 through to 21 and we are here to help them with all of it."

And on working closely with the first team squad, he said: "We try to get our lads up to a speed where, if they are needed to help out with a first

team session, they can slot in fairly easily. It's taken a couple of months to get them there, because of the lack of games, but we've had Patrick Brough, Kyle Dempsey and Jake Chisholm involved in the senior sessions recently and they've been able to handle it.

"Obviously we have decisions to make on the second years and I would imagine that will be coming in the near future. We'll have a meeting with all of the staff and we'll decide what we want to do. There's a lot going on at the club at the moment but it's all part and parcel of football. The second years have it this year but it's something they have to get used to in life. They just have to look at those in the first team squad who are on one year contracts. They have to go through it as well. Players have to be able to deal with it as they go through their careers."

Looking ahead to the weekend, he told us: "As I say, we go again with a home game against Shrewsbury on Saturday. That's the start of a run of six games and the lads should look at it as a chance to get more game time."

"We have a fully fit squad for the first time this season with Frankie Wallace back and in training. That's a massive lift for him because he's in contention again. He was on the bench for the game at Burnley and he'll be looking forward to being out there and playing."

"Ellis Pearson, one of our U16s, played the full game at Burnley even though he's not here to hear what we're asking for on a day to day basis. We've asked him to sit in the back four, play a high line and to stay compact, and he has managed to do it all even though he has had very limited information passed his way. It's great to see that kind of thing and I can't wait to get the new intake in so that I can work with them every day next season."

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**United v Oldham** - Brass, Marshall, Pearson, White, Chisholm, Dickson, Dempsey, Hammell (J Elliott 65), Blackburn, Hodgson (Brown 80), Moyes.

**Subs** - Eccles, Hurley, Rudd.  
**Goals** - Blackburn

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**Goals** - Hodgson, Chisholm.



## FIXTURES 2013-2014 Youth Alliance North West Conference

Day		Opponents		Results / Scorers
10 Aug	Sat	Wrexham	H	1 - 0 (Hodgson)
17 Aug	Sat	Rochdale	A	2 - 3 (White, Hodgson (pen))
24 Aug	Sat			
31 Aug	Sat	Port Vale	H	5 - 2 (Dempsey (3), Brough, Hodgson)
07 Sep	Sat	Macclesfield Town	A	1 - 2 (Blackburn)
14 Sep	Sat	Morecambe	A	4 - 0 (Elliott, Blackburn, White, Wallace)
21 Sep	Sat	Walsall	A	0 - 3
28 Sep	Sat	Preston North End	A	1 - 1 Blackburn
5 Oct	Sat	York City (YAC1)	H	2 - 0 Douglas, Hodgson
12 Oct	Sat	Wigan Athletic	A	P-P
19 Oct	Sat	Fleetwood Town	H	2 - 3 Blackburn, Elliott
26 Oct	Sat	Blackpool	A	0 - 3
2 Nov	Sat	Burnley	H	2 - 2 Douglas, Hodgson
16 Nov	Sat	Accrington Stanley FA1	A	1 - 3 Hodgson (pen)
9 Nov	Sat	Bury	H	1 - 3 Blackburn
16 Nov	Sat	Accrington Stanley	A	1 - 1 Brough
23 Nov	Sat	Wigan Athletic	H	3 - 1 Hammell, Brough (2)
30 Nov	Sat	Wigan Athletic	A	2 - 3 Hodgson, Blackburn
7 Dec	Sat	Morecambe YAC2	A	0 - 2
14 Dec	Sat	Fleetwood Town	A	2 - 0 Brough, Hodgson
11 Jan	Sat	Burnley	A	P-P
18 Jan	Sat	Blackpool	H	P-P
25 Jan	Sat	Bury	A	P-P
1 Feb	Sat	Accrington Stanley	H	P-P
8 Feb	Sat	Morecambe	H	P-P
18 Feb	Tue	Preston North End	A	3 - 3 Hammell, Trialist x 2
22 Feb	Sat	Morecambe	A	P-P
25 Feb	Tue	Accrington Stanley	H	P-P
1 Mar	Sat	Preston North End	H	0 - 3
8 Mar	Sat	Oldam Athletic	A	1 - 4 Blackburn
11 Mar	Tue	Burnley	A	2 - 0 Blackburn
15 Mar	Sat			
22 Mar	Sat	Shrewsbury Town	H	4 - 0 Hodgson, Blackburn, Dempsey, Thomson
29 Mar	Sat	Bury	A	3 - 2 Hammell (2), Hodgson
1 Apr	Tue	Blackpool	H	1pm KO
8 Apr	Tue	Accrington Stanley	H	1pm KO
12 Apr	Sat	Tranmere Rovers	H	
15 Apr	Tue	Morecambe	H	1pm KO

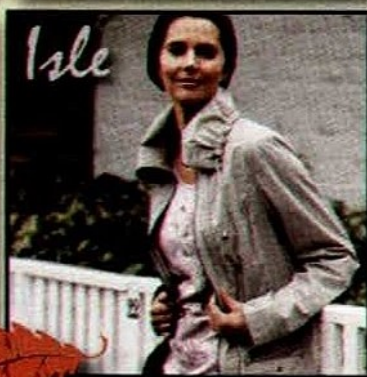
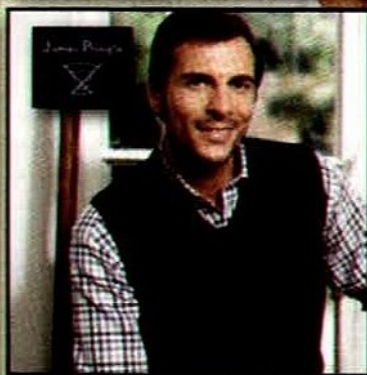
North West	Pld	W	D	L	For	Agd	GD	Pts	Pts per match
Blackpool	21	18	4	1	54	17	37	52	2.48
Oldham Athletic	20	14	3	4	48	22	26	44	2.20
Rochdale	21	14	0	7	56	36	20	42	2.00
Walsall	20	12	4	4	35	17	22	40	2.00
Bury	20	9	6	5	30	31	4	33	1.65
Tranmere Rovers	20	10	2	8	28	25	3	32	1.60
Burnley	21	9	5	7	30	26	4	32	1.52
Port Vale	21	9	4	8	41	42	-1	31	1.48
Carlisle United	19	7	3	9	34	34	0	24	1.26
Accrington Stanley	18	5	7	6	26	28	-2	22	1.22
Preston North End	22	7	4	11	33	43	-10	25	1.14
Macclesfield Town	18	6	2	10	21	30	-9	20	1.11
Fleetwood Town	21	7	2	12	20	36	-16	23	1.10
Wigan Athletic	22	5	7	10	31	43	-12	22	1.00
Shrewsbury Town	21	5	2	14	23	42	-19	17	0.81
Widnes	20	4	4	12	34	43	-9	16	0.80
Morecambe	19	3	2	14	22	40	-18	11	0.58



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Good afternoon and welcome to this Sky Bet League One match against Swindon Town.

I would like to welcome Cumwhinton & Cotehill Crusaders to our Saturday Match Club. We hope all the boys have a great day.

During the Easter Holiday the Community Sports Trust will be running 2, 3 and 4 day soccer schools as follows:

**Penrith: Leisure Centre**

10 and 11 April.

**Carlisle: Richard Rose**

14, 15, 16 and 17 April.

**Wigton: Rugby Club**

14 and 15 April.

**Whitehaven: County Ground**

16 and 17 April.

All schools are for boys and girls.

On Friday 14 March Scotby School represented Carlisle United in the Regional Finals of the Boys U11 Cup. They beat

Notts County, drew against Bradford City and Port Vale, and lost against Crewe Alexandra and Oldham Athletic. I would like to congratulate the boys for the way they conducted themselves, both on and off the field of play. They did the club and their school proud.

On Tuesday 1 April our Futsal and Education Scholars will represent the club at The Birmingham @Futsal Arena in the Quarter Finals of the Soccer AM Cup. I will give you the score and match report in future columns. We wish our lads the very best of luck.

You can now get regular updates about the latest Carlisle United CST news by joining our new Facebook page:

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For more information on any of our Football in the Community schemes contact John Halpin and the team on [fitc@carlisleunited.co.uk](mailto:fitc@carlisleunited.co.uk) or by calling on 01228 554169.

Up the Blues...

Halpin

# CUMBRIANS ELITE

At the beginning of this year – during last season – we ran a competition for our Cumbrians Elite game players to come up with ideas for our match day programme.

The standard of the entries was so high that we simply could not sort out an overall winner – however, the theme of almost all of the entries was for fun, quizzes and quick brain teasers.

That gave us the idea of pulling all of the suggestions we received under one big Cumbrians Elite fun pages banner ... and here we are!

Enjoy yourself as you take on our Cumbrians Elite centre pages challenge!

## THAT'S BOOT IFUL!



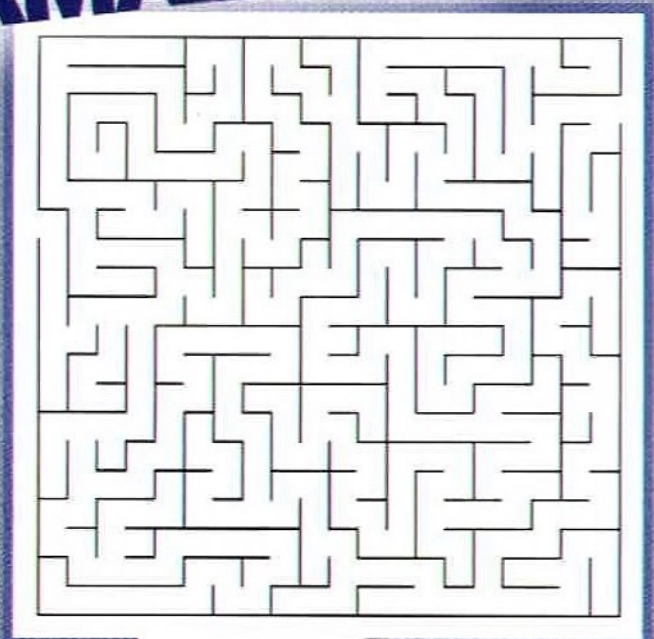
These boots were made for walking ... and for kicking footballs. Who wears these?

## WHO IS IT?



This is one of the lads in action  
can you tell which one it is?

## WELL THAT'S AMAZING!



Help, we can't get out!  
Can you find the way for us?





# FUN PAGES

## WORD SEARCH

Here are a few goal scorers for you to find!

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

HURST, KEMPES, MULLER, PELE, PETIT,  
RONALDO, ROSSI, ZIDANE

## NAME THAT BADGE



Can you tell which teams they belong to?

## WHERE'S OLGA?

Olga, our cartoon mascot, is hiding somewhere within the pages of this issue of *Back of the Net*. Can you find her?



You have three choices – can you guess which one is correct?

## SPOT THE BALL

# A BIG WELCOME TO TODAY'S MASCOTS



**Thomas**

**Crawley**

**Favourite CUFC player:** Matt Robson  
**Favourite other player:** Lee Miller  
**Favourite colour:** Yellow  
**Favourite food:** Mammy's lasagne  
**Favourite TV programme:** Match of the Day, Football League Show and Pointless  
**Hobbies:** Football and tiddlywinks  
**Favourite song:** Anything mammy sings  
**What are you most looking forward to on the day:** Playing with the players on the pitch



**Holly**

**Davison**

**Favourite CUFC player:** Liam Noble  
**Favourite other player:** Dad  
**Favourite colour:** Orange  
**Favourite food:** Chicken nuggets  
**Favourite TV programme:** Tiny Pop  
**Hobbies:** Drawing, dancing, watching TV and walking Lady the dog  
**Favourite song:** Let's make a rainbow by Harmony Bear  
**What are you most looking forward to on the day:** Scoring a goal



**Honor**

**Fraser**

**Favourite player:** Nathan and Louis Thompson  
**Favourite other player:** Massimo Luongo  
**Favourite colour:** Aqua blue  
**Favourite food:** Pasta  
**Favourite TV programme:** The 4 O'clock club  
**Favourite song:** Anything by Rizzle Kicks  
**What are you most looking forward to on the day:** Leading the team out onto the pitch, playing on the pitch and visiting a new football ground



# SHOW US YOUR COLOURS

***Been somewhere ... done something ...  
seen something ... or going somewhere?***

If you have, or if you are – and particularly if you're wearing the colours – let us know about it and show us the evidence!

Drop your images at main reception, send them to the address below or email them to [media@carlisleunited.co.uk](mailto:media@carlisleunited.co.uk) and we'll show you flying the flag for the Blues in the next available issue of ***Back of the Net!***

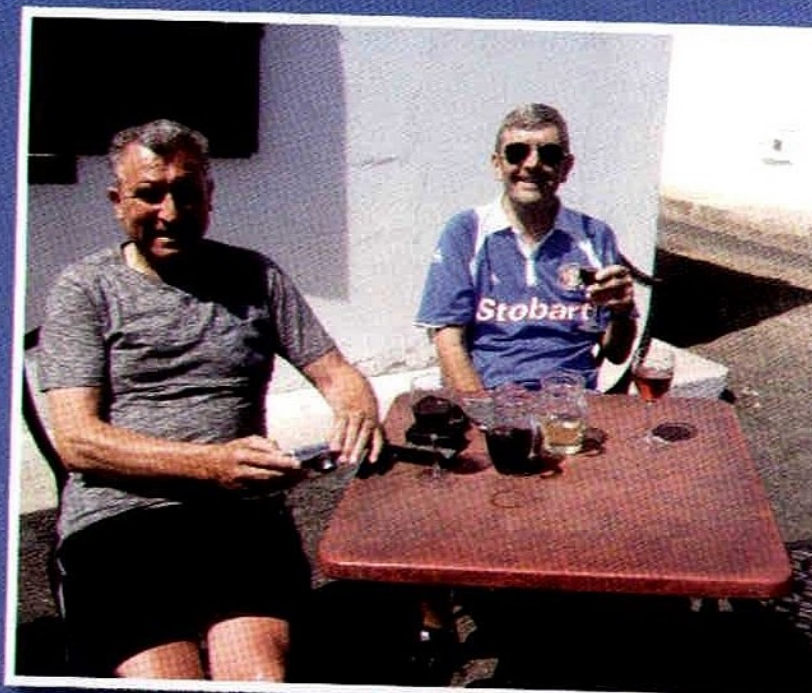
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**SHOW US YOUR COLOURS** Brunton Park, Warwick Road, Carlisle, Cumbria, CA1 1LL.

This week we meet **RICHARD BIMSON** who lives in Playa Quemada in Lanzarote.

This image, taken with Keith Houghton in attendance, was taken last year.

Keith was captain of United during the 1984/85 season and is a regular guest of Richard's out in Lanzarote whenever he pops over for a visit.

Thanks for sending us the picture Richard.



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# AWAY DAYS



**Preston North End v Carlisle United**  
*Saturday 12 April, Kick off 3pm*

Away fans are housed in the Bill Shankly Kop

**Deepdale Stadium**  
**Sir Tom Finney Way**  
**Preston**  
**PR1 6RU**



### Arriving by road

Leave M6 at Junction 31 and follow signs for Preston. Go up a steep hill and follow the road down to a mini roundabout. At the roundabout with the Hesketh Arms turn right into Blackpool Road. Go straight on over three sets of lights and just before a fourth set, the ground appears set slightly back on the left. Parking is mainly in the streets surrounding the ground.

### Arriving by rail

Preston railway station is around a mile and a half from the ground. Leave the Preston railway station via the main entrance, and head right at the top of the drive. The High Street is about a mile long, and you will pass a church and a bike shop as you come to its end. Simply carry on walking along this street, and when you reach the ring road, you head straight over the large traffic lights, heading towards Preston Prison. Turn left at the Prison into Church Street, then left into Deepdale Road. Continue straight along Deepdale Road and after about a mile you will reach the ground.

### A handy meeting place

There is not a great deal in the way of pubs in close proximity to the ground. Further up Tom Finney Way from the stadium, is Sumners. This pub normally has a good mix of home and away supporters, although for certain high profile games the pub does not admit away supporters.

***Tickets for this game go on sale on Monday 31 March. Contact our ticket office on 0844 371 1921 for more information.***



**Peterborough v Carlisle United**  
*Monday 21 April, Kick off 3pm*

Away fans are housed in the North Stand.

**London Road Stadium**  
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### Arriving by road

The ground is located on the outskirts of the city centre, on the A15 London Road.

*From the North/West:* Drive into the city centre, follow signs for Whittlesey (A605) which will lead you to the London Road. The new stand is quite visible from some distance away, so keep a lookout.

*From the South:* Leave the A1 at the junction with the A15. Take the A15 towards Peterborough, you will eventually come to the ground on your right.

### Arriving by rail

Peterborough station is around a mile away from the ground. Turn right out of station and follow the main road, passing an Asda store on your right. At the traffic lights near to the Rivergate Shopping Centre, turn right. Go over the bridge and you can see the floodlights of London Road, over on your left. It takes about 20 minutes to walk from the station to the ground.

### A handy meeting place

There are a number of good pubs in the centre of Peterborough. Most have doormen present on matchdays, but seem happy enough to admit away fans. The Cherry Tree pub on Oundle Road is popular with both home and away supporters. It is about a 15 minute walk away from the visitors turnstiles. It is a friendly pub that is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide and also offers a range of reasonably priced matchday food, such as Chilli & Chips, Curry & Chips, Burgers etc. which are served from a separate area to the rear of the pub.

***Tickets for this game go on sale on Monday 7 April. Contact our ticket office on 0844 371 1921 for more information.***

When you're following Carlisle United away from home this season, book yourself a ticket on Virgin Trains and get to the heart of the action in the fastest and most comfortable way possible.

A sneaky bit of advice ... to get the best value fares make sure you book in advance but hurry as the lowest fares get snapped up early. Travelling off peak (avoid busy times like

Friday evenings) and being flexible with your travel plans can also help you find the best deals available.

If you are booking travel for an afternoon or evening game please be sure to double check the return journey time is suitable (some of our last services may depart before the final whistle goes!).

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# CUSC LONDON BRANCH



IAN JARDINE BRINGS US COMMENT AND UPDATES FROM THE LONDON BRANCH OF OUR SUPPORTERS' CLUB...



The Stevenage programme presented a catalogue of disaster and frustration that had been a feature of London Branch life up to the end of February. The weather might have improved but not so the fortunes of the London Branch. The late change of date for the Sheffield United fixture caused a great deal of upset and anger amongst the London Branch as many members had not only booked train tickets but also overnight accommodation. We all know why the game was changed but perhaps the television companies, in the search for their own profit, should think about compensating the fans who have been inconvenienced.

The London Branch football team were due to take part in an annual charity event held at Stevenage after the end of the season. This week Stevenage withdrew permission to use their ground despite invitations being sent out and preparations well under way. The event was to commemorate an ex-Borough player who had died at an early age and the decision has alienated Stevenage fans never mind everyone else who would like to see them relegated. An alternative venue at nearby Arlesey, at half the cost, has been secured.

Enough of the bad news, let's look at the positives. The February members meeting, although held a week later than usual, had a bigger than usual turnout. Perhaps one of the reasons why it lasted so long! As part of the 40th Anniversary celebrations the Branch is hoping to set up a money raising draw with cash and other major prizes. This has received substantial support from Carlisle United and so the planning and preparations were gone into, in some

detail. The "40 Club" will be launched during the summer.

It was agreed to use a venue in Central London, the Black Horse again, to host a social night and listen to commentary on this Shrewsbury match. Pool, darts, domino and cribbage competitions are battled out over the evening, almost as fiercely as the battle on the pitch.

This issue of "Hit the Bar!" will be the last to be produced by Geoff Graham. His work commitments; never mind commuting from rural Wiltshire into central London, his new job, have made it increasingly difficult for him to commit as much time as he used to. He even dropped out of the trip to Sunderland to get out the previous issue! It is hard to believe he has only been the Editor for three years although he perhaps sees it completely differently. In that time he has put in a great deal of time and effort to create his own distinctive style. He will be a great loss and a hard act to follow





## HIT THE BAR

London Branch Chairman, Simon Clarkson, writes as the next issue of "Hit the Bar!" was about to hit the terraces, hopefully in time for the game at Notts County:

This fanzine has been running since the Branch was set up in 1974. As we approach our 40th anniversary and fanzines are becoming rare, it is essential that we remember why we run one at all. A non-official publication written by fans for the pleasure of others who share their interest. We want to give all Carlisle United fans the opportunity to contribute and allow articles to express personal opinion. Only if an article was over the top in any way would we consider not publishing it. We are always trying to encourage more to contribute so it's great to see the United Trust with what I hope will be a regular presence. They know they have to win over hearts and minds and I'm pleased that their visibility is increasing. As I write this, the same offer went out to CUSAT who do a fantastic job arranging away travel. I truly believe that a feature in this fanzine from them would help keep CUFC fans informed of developments in Carlisle that often go unheard of or become subject to incorrect interpretation.

Before we celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Branch and Carlisle United's "season in the sun," we have decided to commemorate what Bill Shankly said

was the "greatest feat in the history of the game." On the 3 May 1974 Carlisle United secured promotion and 40 years on the anniversary coincides with our last game of the season at Wolves. You will soon see a commemorative t-shirt with Bill Shankly and that famous quote and we hope that it's something that can be seen in good numbers at the Wolves game and beyond. I'd like to put on record the hard work of Jamie Grubb and the merchandise committee who have several other things in the pipeline as we approach the anniversary.

As we approach the business end of the season it's going to be a tense one for Blues fans. Seven of our last twelve are away, where we have struggled to pick up points despite improving performances of late. Can our home and particular midweek form hold up? You'll have some of these answers already when you read this, given I'm writing following the excellent social day out to Port Vale. The Branch returns to the Black Horse pub in central London on the 25th to take in the Shrewsbury game coverage. Let's hope the lucky venue tag remains intact. Fingers crossed we have secured our league 1 status before the next issue which is due out for the Wolves fixture. Go well.



For more information about the Carlisle United Supporters' Club London Branch contact Peter Smithson, Great Gable, Sheepphouse Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire, SL6 8HB – or call 07979 700275. Alternatively you can visit [www.carlislelondonbranch.org](http://www.carlislelondonbranch.org) for full details on membership and benefits. To join online – follow this link [www.carlislelondonbranch.org/join/online/](http://www.carlislelondonbranch.org/join/online/)



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## DIVISION FOUR

August 22, 1959	H CRYSTAL PALACE	D	2-2
August 26, 1959	A Chester	W	1-0
August 29, 1959	A Bradford PA	D	1-1
September 1, 1959	H CHESTER	W	2-1
September 5, 1959	H STOCKPORT COUNTY	L	0-4
September 10, 1959	A Walsall	W	1-0
September 12, 1959	A Exeter City	W	3-1
September 15, 1959	H WALSALL	D	1-1
September 19, 1959	H WATFORD	W	1-0
September 23, 1959	A Crewe Alexandra	L	0-3
September 26, 1959	A Oldham Athletic	W	1-0
September 29, 1959	H CREWE ALEXANDRA	W	4-2
October 3, 1959	A Rochdale	L	0-3
October 6, 1959	H NOTTS COUNTY	W	2-0
October 10, 1959	H DONCASTER ROVERS	W	2-0
October 15, 1959	A Notts County	L	1-2
October 17, 1959	A Northampton Town	D	2-2
October 24, 1959	H TORQUAY UNITED	W	2-0
October 31, 1959	A Millwall	D	1-1
November 7, 1959	H SOUTHPORT	W	1-0
November 21, 1959	H BARROW	L	0-1
November 28, 1959	A Aldershot	W	2-0
December 12, 1959	A Gateshead	L	0-1
December 19, 1959	A Crystal Palace	L	1-2
December 26, 1959	H WORKINGTON	L	0-1
December 29, 1959	A Workington	L	0-1
January 2, 1960	H BRADFORD PA	L	1-3
January 16, 1960	A Stockport County	D	0-0
January 23, 1960	H EXETER CITY	L	0-4
January 30, 1960	H DARLINGTON	W	1-0
February 6, 1960	A Watford	L	1-3
February 13, 1960	H OLDHAM ATHLETIC	L	0-1
February 27, 1960	A Doncaster Rovers	L	1-4
March 5, 1960	H NORTHAMPTON TOWN	L	0-2
March 12, 1960	A Torquay United	L	1-2
March 19, 1960	H MILLWALL	D	3-3
March 26, 1960	A Southport	D	1-1
March 29, 1960	H ROCHDALE	D	1-1
April 2, 1960	H GILLINGHAM	L	0-1
April 9, 1960	A Barrow	L	1-5
April 15, 1960	H HARTLEPOOLS UTD	D	1-1
April 18, 1960	A Hartlepoons United	W	2-1
April 19, 1960	H ALDERSHOT	D	0-0
April 23, 1960	A Darlington	L	1-2
April 30, 1960	H GATESHEAD	W	4-0
May 6, 1960	A Gillingham	L	1-3

## FA CUP

November 14, 1959	A Rochdale	D	2-2
November 17, 1959	H ROCHDALE	L	1-3



*Carlisle v Workington*

## NORTH REGIONAL LEAGUE

August 22, 1959	A Bradford PA Res
August 26, 1959	A Middlesbrough Res
August 29, 1959	H SCUNTHORPE UTD RES
September 5, 1959	A Stockport County Res
September 8, 1959	H MIDDLESBROUGH RES
September 12, 1959	H HALIFAX TOWN RES
September 19, 1959	A Rotherham Utd Res
September 22, 1959	H PORT VALE RES
September 26, 1959	H LINCOLN CITY RES
October 1, 1959	A Scunthorpe Utd Res
October 3, 1959	H HULL CITY RES
October 10, 1959	A Gateshead Res
October 17, 1959	H DARLINGTON RES
October 24, 1959	A Sunderland Res
October 31, 1959	H ACCRINGTON STANLEY RES
November 7, 1959	A Barrow Res
November 14, 1959	H GRIMSBY TOWN RES
November 21, 1959	A Bradford City Res
November 28, 1959	H DONCASTER ROVERS RES
December 5, 1959	A York City Res
December 12, 1959	A Workington Res
December 19, 1959	H BRADFORD PA RES
January 1, 1960	H WORKINGTON RES
January 9, 1960	H HARTLEPOOLS UTD RES
January 16, 1960	H STOCKPORT COUNTY RES
January 23, 1960	A Halifax Town Res
February 6, 1960	H ROTHERHAM UNITED RES
February 13, 1960	A Lincoln City Res
February 20, 1960	A Hull City Res
February 27, 1960	H GATESHEAD RES
March 5, 1960	A Darlington Res
March 12, 1960	H SUNDERLAND RES
March 19, 1960	A Accrington Stanley Res
March 26, 1960	H BARROW RES
April 2, 1960	A Grimsby Town Res
April 9, 1960	H BRADFORD CITY RES
April 15, 1960	A Crewe Alexandra Res
April 16, 1960	A Doncaster Rovers Res
April 18, 1960	H CREWE ALEXANDRA RES
April 23, 1960	H YORK CITY RES
April 25, 1960	A Port Vale Res
May 2, 1960	A Hartlepoons Utd Res



#### FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Walsall	46	28	9	9	102	60	65
Notts County	46	26	8	12	107	69	60
Torquay United	46	26	8	12	84	58	60
Watford	46	24	9	13	92	67	57
Millwall	46	18	17	11	84	61	53
Northampton Town	46	22	9	15	85	63	53
Gillingham	46	21	10	15	74	69	52
Crystal Palace	46	19	12	15	84	64	50
Exeter City	46	19	11	16	80	70	49
Stockport County	46	19	11	16	58	54	49
Bradford PA	46	17	15	14	70	68	49
Rochdale	46	18	10	18	65	60	46
Aldershot	46	18	9	19	77	74	45
Crewe Alexandra	46	18	9	19	79	88	45
Darlington	46	17	9	20	63	73	43
Workington	46	14	14	18	68	60	42
Doncaster Rovers	46	16	10	20	69	76	42
Barrow	46	15	11	20	77	87	41
<b>Carlisle United</b>	46	15	11	20	51	66	41
Chester	46	14	12	20	59	77	40
Southport	46	10	14	22	48	92	34
Gateshead	46	12	9	25	58	86	33
Oldham Athletic	46	8	12	26	41	83	28
Hartlepoons United	46	10	7	29	59	109	27



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#### NORTH REGIONAL LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Middlesbrough Res	42	28	6	8	115	46	62
Sunderland Res	42	23	8	11	103	60	54
Port Vale Res	42	25	4	13	101	70	54
Workington Res	42	22	8	12	112	76	52
Scunthorpe Utd Res	42	22	7	13	79	58	51
Hull City Res	42	22	6	14	85	69	50
York City Res	42	19	6	17	91	78	44
Darlington Res	42	16	11	15	75	79	43
<b>Carlisle Utd Res</b>	42	18	6	18	78	68	42
Rotherham Utd Res	42	16	10	16	79	69	42
Bradford PA Res	42	19	4	19	83	86	42
Gateshead Res	42	19	3	20	85	80	41
Halifax Town Res	42	15	10	17	73	89	40
Lincoln City Res	42	17	5	20	77	72	39
Crewe Alexandra Res	42	15	9	18	65	67	39
Bradford City Res	42	16	7	19	67	72	39
Doncaster Rovers Res	42	17	4	21	81	99	38
Accrington Stanley Res	42	16	5	21	60	96	37
Grimby Town Res	42	13	6	23	58	67	34
Hartlepoons Utd Res	42	11	10	21	82	125	32
Stockport County Res	42	10	8	24	56	103	28
Barrow Res	42	6	9	27	50	126	21

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**AIM:** Promote & support Carlisle United FC for the benefit of its fans & the community

**Well one thing is certain, there is never a dull moment being a Carlisle United supporter, we're either fighting it out to get in and through the playoffs or we're fighting to avoid relegation.**

Sadly the wrong end of the league table is where we find ourselves as a club at this stage of the season with six games left to play and the fixture list looking like the who's who of those aiming to be either automatically promoted or to get in to the playoffs. The only possible consolation is that we usually save our best performances for these occasions when we are playing against teams at the top end of the division (Leyton Orient excepted of course).

So we've some cracking games to look forward to and all of the tension that goes with these battles, for battles is what they are going to be and we as supporters can play a vital part by getting down to the ground and cheering on our team. It is "our team" and now is the time to stand up and be counted, times are tough out there and money is tight but your support is needed more than ever now.

The club have some really good deals on for families and its worth contacting the ticket office to see what the latest offers are or go online to the clubs website **[www.carlisleunited.co.uk](http://www.carlisleunited.co.uk)** and take advantage of the offers. The trust and the club are really trying to encourage families to be members of the trust and to attend games as a family.

Households can join the trust for £5 per household. You know when you have every generation of family attending the matches at a football club then you have a history, a belief and a determination that no matter what happens, what the result is they will be back at the next game supporting the team at their club, "our club".

With all of the loan players we have used through necessity this season it's sometimes difficult to believe that these loan players have the same 'feeling' for the club they're currently on loan to, does it matter as much to them as it does to us? The News and Star had an article by Jon Colman about the possibility of Carlisle United becoming a 'feeder club' with Premier League teams using clubs like CUFC to 'bring on' there young and upcoming potential stars where this would be like a learning academy for them.

This is currently in operation in France and clubs are discovering that it is not quite the 'golden apple' that they, at first, thought it would be for they're taking these players on 'warts and all' and having to play them whether they're any good or not. Thankfully it's not something that The FA are looking at for this country. What do you think, good idea or bad idea?

So, back to the last six games and remember it's not over until the 'fat lady' sings so "Come on you BLUES" let's have the fans singing in their thousands in support of "our football club".

**Contact:** The United Trust, Fifteen Rosehill, Montgomery Way, Rosehill Estate, Carlisle, Cumbria, CA1 2RW or leave an envelope for attention of Mr N Steel at Brunton Park.



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# UNITED IN ACTION

Tuesday 25 March 2014



## Carlisle United 0 – 0 Shrewsbury Town



**CARLISLE UNITED** Pickford, Symington, O'Hanlon, Meppen-Walter (Dempsey 86), Chantler, Brown, Potts, Berrett, Redmond, Miller, Guy (Byrne 72). Subs - Fleming, Lynch, Brough, Pearson, Novo.

**SHREWSBURY TOWN** - Anyon, Grandison (Wildig 37), Miller (Atajic 56), Taylor, Mkandawire, Parry (Foley 56), Goldson, Woods, Eaves, Mills, Hall. Subs - Weale, Jacobson, Winfield, Flint.

Booking: Woods (26)

Referee: Mr Steven Rushton Att: 3,963 (150 away fans)



**Carlisle United had to settle for a share of the points as they were left to ponder a glut of missed chances on what was another frustrating night at Brunton Park.**

The game took a while to settle with a snapshot from Potts on the edge of the box the only incident of note from a tense opening five minutes. He caught it well but it flashed well wide of the target.

Both sides held their shape as they looked to protect their penalty areas and defensive interventions from Chantler, at one end, and Taylor at the other kept things simple for the keepers.

A lovely delivery almost opened things up for Carlisle when O'Hanlon flicked a Berrett set piece into Brown's path. He unleashed a thundering half volley which had Anyon beaten but he was disappointed to see it rattle off the crossbar and loop away to safety.

Carlisle grew in confidence and Brown was the danger man again as he made a dipping cross his own at the back stick. He connected with a crunching header but the woodwork came into play once more as it

bounced back off the underside of the bar. Guy was there on the follow up but his header was easy for the stopper to claim.

The Shrews edged their way into the game and a long ball from the back found Taylor in acres of space inside the box. His touch was heavy and Meppen-Walter recovered to sweep it away as the nippy striker contemplated his wasted opportunity.

A half cleared Berrett free kick brought a deflected shot from Meppen-Walter as United tried to pick up the pace again and Potts drilled one right at Anyon as Symington recovered the ball and sent it back in.

Pickford had to be on his toes as the Shrews broke forward when Eaves cut back inside on the left and went for glory. His shot was heading for the bottom corner until a smart dive brought a fingertip touch.

Striker Lee Miller worked in tandem with Lewis Guy as he chested a Pickford kick into his path. His volley was sweet but it took a touch off Mkandawire and deflected away for a corner.

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It was a frantic close to the half as a nod down from Eaves spun up off the greasy surface and Jon Taylor arrived late to head the ball into the ground. Pickford had to scramble as it bounced high towards his top corner. The keeper wasted no time in clearing his lines and Chantler pushed forward to deliver an early ball at the near post. Guy got the header, which Anyon somehow saved, and the offside flag stopped Miller as he moved to pick up the pieces.

A slow second half sprung into life on 52 minutes when Taylor poked a volley through the gap from the edge of the area. Pickford spilled it right into the path of Shaun Miller but the keeper redeemed himself when he recovered quickly to block what looked to be a certain goal.

There was excitement at the other end when Redmond dropped a shoulder and beat his man. He shot from distance and Anyon had to parry as it swirled awkwardly in the air.

Lewis Guy was the catalyst for another good move when he carried the ball into the Shrewsbury half. He exchanged passes with Symington but clipped his cut back right into Anyon's arms.

The Cumbrians enjoyed a good spell as crosses from Redmond and Symington caused problems. Berrett sent the third of the deliveries in and a poor clearance sat up nicely for Brown to hit. He put his boot through it and it was a whisker away from finding the corner of the net.

A long throw into the Carlisle area brought a brief moment of panic as it pinged loose and Taylor lost his composure as he swung a wild leg at it. He failed to connect and Meppen-Walter gratefully lifted it clear.

United looked the more likely to score and they should have taken the lead with 17 minutes left to play when Berrett recovered a clearance and swung the ball back into the box. Lee Miller was unmarked, six yards out, but he saw it late and he guided his header wide.

Chantler was next to open things up when he got to the bye line and put a pass on a plate for Miller as he ran into the area. He had to connect on the run but he missed the target as he tried to place his shot past Anyon.

Carlisle turned up the gas for the closing stages and James Berrett overlapped to go one on one with Anyon from a tight angle. The keeper spread himself at the near post and O'Hanlon tussled to nod the resulting corner over the bar as he tried to lead by example.

Danny Redmond pulled strings from deep and he was unlucky to see a shot from a chance he created for himself go begging as he beat two to make the gap. And United were almost caught napping as the Shrews broke late in the day but a combination of Pickford and Brown maintained the clean sheet and prevented the away side from stealing away with the spoils.

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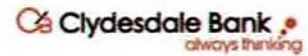
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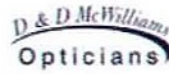
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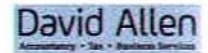
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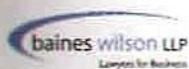
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## COMMERCIALSPEAKING

GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO YOU ALL FOR THE SWINDON TOWN GAME.

We welcome back today, as **Match Sponsor** to the Dick Young Sponsors Lounge, our loyal friends and supporters from **Solway Daf Trucks Limited and their guests**, who have been associated with the club for many years. I would like to thank them for their loyal continued support.

Our **Associate Sponsors** are **Bluefin Insurance**. They have also been involved with the club over a good number of years and we welcome both them and their guests for today's game.

The **Match Ball Sponsor** is **Crossing Plumbers and Pipeline Merchants** who support us at many of our home games throughout the season, and we welcome them and their guests again today.

### FOXY'S RESTAURANT

I would like to mention Foxy's Restaurant. Not everybody is aware of the packages available in there on a match day. You should really give it a try. It is the ideal place to celebrate a special occasion, such as a birthday, or to treat someone to a first class meal and enjoy the match day experience. If you are a corporate customer it is a great way to entertain your clients. For further information of this and other packages available please contact Sally Smith in our commercial office on 01228 554 155 or email [commercial@carlisleunited.co.uk](mailto:commercial@carlisleunited.co.uk)

### VIRGIN TRAINS

We were delighted to announce the generous discounted travel offer by **Virgin Trains** of 25% as added value to our Season Ticket Holders for next season. This makes the purchase of a season ticket very good value, especially if you use the train on a regular basis. I must point out that the offer is available throughout the season and not just for match days. Terms and conditions apply.

### CUFC BUSINESS CLUB

Our last Business Club meeting was at the Stevenage game with another great turnout of members. We were entertained by the brilliant speaker **Roger Harrop**. His topic was entitled '**Staying in the Helicopter**'

Roger gave a dynamic challenging talk about 'Staying in the Helicopter' giving solid advice about aspects of business. [www.rogerharrop.com](http://www.rogerharrop.com)

If you'd like to become a member of our thriving Business Club, you can call us on 01228 554 155 and, if you'd like to take in a match, so much the better! You can also email us at [commercial@carlisleunited.co.uk](mailto:commercial@carlisleunited.co.uk)

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Roger particularly focussed on marketing and the use of social media and how it can work very cheaply for you as a marketing tool, and also how it can work against you as in the case of United Airlines and an unhappy band member who had his guitar broken by baggage handlers. After being refused compensation he went on to write the song 'United Breaks Guitars' and posted this on YouTube.

The results were that the clip has had 13,800,000 views, the band are now famous with sell out bookings, Taylor Guitars are enjoying record sales and United Airlines share price has dropped as a direct consequence. They are now trying to get the band to take the YouTube clip down and offering \$500,000 of compensation (repair of the guitar would have been \$1,000!!). Follow this link to see the Youtube clip, which is very entertaining [www.youtube.com/watch?v=5YGc4zOqozo](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5YGc4zOqozo)

### THE PIRELLI RALLY 2014

The Pirelli Rally this year will be staged at Brunton Park for the first time ever on May 31st this year. Spectators will have the opportunity to view the Rally Cars being serviced before heading up to the town centre for the start. You are all welcome to come and view the cars on the Saturday and Sunday.

By staging the servicing of the cars at Brunton Park it keeps all the activity in the centre of the City. The scrutinising of the cars will be held at one of our major partners, **H&H Groups** Auctioneer's car facility, at Rosehill.

Thank you once again for your support of the club.  
Kindest regards,

**Dick Young**





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 Ben AMOS  
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# CLUB STATS 2013/14

## PLAYER CAREER APPEARANCES FOR CARLISLE UNITED

	LEAGUE		FA CUP		OTHER CUP		TOTAL	
	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls	Apps	Gls
DAVID AMOO	33 (3)	8	4	0	4	3	41 (3)	11
BEN AMOS	9	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
TROY ARCHIBALD-HENVILLE	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
MARK BECK	12 (26)	4	1 (2)	2	2 (4)	1	15 (32)	7
JAMES BERRETT	162 (2)	23	9 (1)	3	18	1	189 (3)	27
PAUL BLACK	3 (1)	0	0	0	1	0	4 (1)	0
PATRICK BROUGH	1 (2)	0	0	0	0 (1)	0	1 (3)	0
REECE BROWN	4 (1)	0	0	0	0	0	4 (1)	0
PRINCE BUABEN	10 (2)	1	3	0	1	0	14 (2)	1
DANNY BUTTERFIELD	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
SAM BYRNE	4 (8)	1	0	0	0	0	4 (8)	1
DANNY CADAMARTERI	14 (11)	2	1	0	2	0	17 (11)	2
ADAM CAMPBELL	0 (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0 (1)	0
TONY CAIG	224	0	13	0	47	0	284	0
CHRIS CHANTLER	44 (5)	0	2 (1)	0	4	0	50 (6)	0
PASCAL CHIMBONDA	21	0	2	0	0	0	23	0
LUCAS DAWSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KYLE DEMPSEY	0 (2)	0	0	0	0	0	0 (2)	0
MICHAEL DRENNAN	3 (3)	0	0	0	0	0	3 (3)	0
NATHAN ECCLESTON	0 (2)	0	0	0	1	0	1 (2)	0
MIKE EDWARDS	23 (1)	0	2	0	3	0	28 (1)	0
MAX EHMER	12	1	1	0	1	0	14	1
CHARNI EKANGAMENE	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
KEVIN FEELY	1 (1)	0	0	0	0	0	1 (1)	0
GREG FLEMING	4	0	3	0	1	0	8	0
MARK GILLESPIE	50 (1)	0	1	0	5	0	56 (1)	0
JOSH GILLIES	3 (3)	0	1	0	1 (2)	0	5 (5)	0
LEWIS GUY	12 (10)	1	3	0	2 (2)	1	17 (12)	2
BRANDON GWINNUTT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
REECE JAMES	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
GRAHAM KAVANAGH	62 (2)	7	7	1	6 (1)	3	75 (3)	11
TOM LAWRENCE	8 (1)	3	2	0	0	0	10 (1)	3
DANNY LIVESEY	271 (16)	20	13 (1)	0	34 (1)	1	318 (18)	21
JACK LYNCH	0 (1)	0	0	0	0 (1)	0	0 (2)	0
GARY MADINE	29 (39)	13	5 (1)	6	6 (6)	3	40 (46)	22
LEON MCSWEENEY	8	0	1	0	1	0	10	0
COURTNEY MEPPEN-WALTER	14 (3)	1	1	0	0	0	15 (3)	1
LEE MILLER	83 (4)	27	4 (1)	4	3	0	90 (5)	31
JOSH MORRIS	1 (5)	0	0	0	0	0	1 (5)	0
LIAM NOBLE	106 (19)	18	6	2	11 (2)	0	123 (21)	20
NACHO NOVO	0 (4)	0	0	0	0	0	0 (4)	0
SEAN O'HANLON	47	5	4	0	2	0	53	5
JAMES PEARSON	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
JORDAN PICKFORD	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	0
BRAD POTTS	50 (8)	2	3 (1)	0	6 (1)	0	59 (10)	2
DANNY REDMOND	9 (1)	0	0	0	0	0	9 (1)	0
MATTHEW ROBSON	153 (19)	19	14	1	22 (3)	4	189 (22)	24
CRAIG RODDAN	0 (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0 (1)	0
ALEX SALMON	0 (2)	0	0	0	0 (1)	0	0 (3)	0
DAVID SYMINGTON	10 (45)	3	2 (4)	1	1 (6)	1	13 (55)	5
PAUL THIRLWELL	194 (16)	7	8 (1)	0	19 (3)	0	221 (20)	7
JOSH TODD	0 (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0 (1)	0
CONOR TOWNSEND	11 (1)	0	2 (1)	0	1 (1)	0	14 (3)	0

## GOOOOOOAAAAALLLLL! HITTING THE NET THIS SEASON

PLAYER	LEAGUE	CAPITAL ONE CUP	FA CUP	JPT	TOTAL
Amoo	8	3			11
Guy	1	1			2
Robson	5		1		6
Berrett	2	1	1		4
Miller	4		3		7
O'Hanlon	4				4
Noble	4				4
Buaben	1				1
Beck			1		1
Lawrence	3				3
Ehmer	1				1
Potts	2				2
Byrne	1				1
Meppen-Walter	1				1
OWN GOALS FOR	2				2
<b>CLUB TOTAL</b>					<b>50</b>

## FIRST GOAL

Played	47
Carlisle United score first goal	15
Opponents score first goal	24
No goals scored	8
United score first goal and win	8
United score first goal and draw	3
United score first goal and lose	4
United fail to score	18
Opponents score first goal and win	18
Opponents score first goal and draw	2
Opponents score first goal and lose	4
Opponents fail to score	18

## IS IT THAT TIME ALREADY!

	0 15	16 30	31 45	46 60	61 75	76 90
Conceded	5	11	13	17	16	15
Scored	4	5	12	7	9	13

### First Half Record

Played	47	Won	12	Lost	17	Drawn	18
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### Second Half Record

Played	47	Won	10	Lost	21	Drawn	16
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## THEY ALL COUNT

### How we created the goals

Free Play	30	Corner	7	Free Kick	9
Penalty	4			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>

### How we have scored the goals

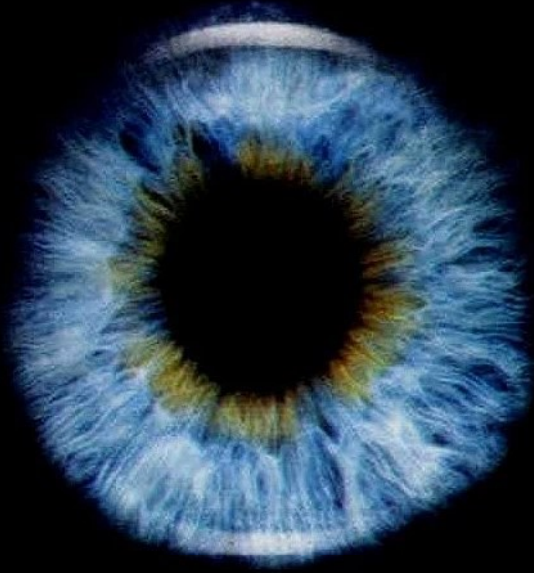
Headers	10	Penalties	4	Own Goals	2
Shots	32	Free Kicks	2	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>

## FORM GUIDE

Home				F A	Away				F A
Mar 25	Shrewsbury Town	(SB1)	0-0		Mar 29	Tranmere Rovers	(SB1)	0-0	
Mar 15	Stevenage	(SB1)	0-0		Mar 22	Notts County	(SB1)	1-4	
Mar 1	Brentford	(SB1)	0-0		Mar 11	Sheffield United	(SB1)	0-1	
Feb 22	Rotherham United	(SB1)	1-2		Mar 8	Port Vale	(SB1)	1-2	
Feb 11	Bradford City	(SB1)	1-0		Feb 18	Coventry City	(SB1)	2-1	
Feb 8	Gillingham	(SB1)	1-2		Feb 1	Bristol City	(SB1)	1-2	
Won 1, Drawn 3, Lost 2, F3, A4					Won 1, Drawn 0, Lost 4, F5, A10				

## PICK A CARD, ANY CARD

PLAYER	LEAGUE		CUP		TOTAL	
	Y	R	Y	R	Y	R
LEE MILLER	3	2			3	2
LIAM NOBLE	6		2		8	
JAMES BERRETT	6		1		7	
PAUL BLACK	1				1	
KEVIN FEELY	1				1	
BRAD POTTS	4		1		5	
PAUL THIRLWELL	3		1		4	
TROY A-HENVILLE	1				1	
DAVID AMOO	2				2	
DANNY LIVESEY	3				3	
CONOR TOWNSEND	5	1			5	1
DAVE SYMINGTON	2				2	
MATT ROBSON	4				4	
SEAN O'HANLON	4		1		5	
MARK BECK	1				1	
PASCAL CHIMBONDA	6				6	
MAX EHMER	4				4	
LEWIS GUY	1				1	
PRINCE BUABEN	1				1	
TOM LAWRENCE	1				1	
COURTNEY MEPPEN-WALTER	3			1	3	1
DANNY REDMOND	1				1	
SAM BYRNE	1				1	
CHRIS CHANTLER	2				2	
NACHO NOVO	1				1	
<b>CLUB TOTAL</b>					<b>73</b>	<b>4</b>



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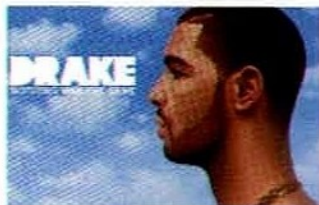


# A FEW MOMENTS WITH... SAM BYRNE

Back of the Net SPENT A FEW MOMENTS WITH STRIKER  
SAM BYRNE EARLIER THIS WEEK...



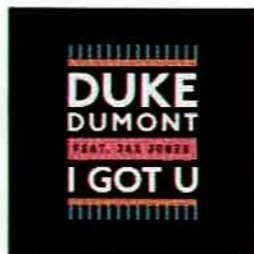
**What was the last album you bought or downloaded:** I think it was Drake's new one.



**If you were someone else, would you be friends with you:** Yes, I think I'm a nice person.

**What would the title of your autobiography be:** That's a tough one. It would probably have to be something boring like 'My Life'!

**If you could only listen to three songs for the rest of your life what would they be:** Drake - Hold On, I believe I can fly and I Got U by Duke Dumont.



**What is the most embarrassing thing you've ever done:** Singing in front of the team. I sang 'I believe I can fly.'

**If you were a girl, what would your name be:** This one is pretty easy for me - Samantha!

**What is your nickname:** I don't actually have one - it's just Sam.

**Can you play any musical instruments:** I can play the drums. I was quite good at it when I was a kid.



**What is the funniest prank you've ever played or had played on you:** I had shaving foam put in my bed once, that wasn't very enjoyable.

**What is your party trick:** I don't really think I have one. I just always end up singing I believe I can fly - I'm coming across as a bit obsessed with that song aren't I!

**If you could be someone else in the squad who would you be and why:** Lee Miller because he plays in my position and I think I could learn a lot if I was him for a day.



**If you could invent anything what would it be and why:** Something that could transport you to wherever you wanted to go straight away.

**What is your guilty pleasure:** I think I'd have to say chocolate.



**What is the best bit of advice you've ever received:** Always follow what you believe in.

**Singing or dancing:** Singing.

**Simpsons or Family Guy:** Family Guy.



**iPhone or Blackberry:** iPhone.

**Postman Pat or Fireman Sam:** Fireman Sam.



**Cats or dogs:** Dogs.

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CARLISLE UNITED v SWINDON TOWN Saturday 5th April 2014

## CARLISLE UNITED

Manager - <b>Graham Kavanagh</b>		Start	Sub	Yell	Red	Gls
1	Mark Gillespie					
2	Conor Townsend					
3	Matt Robson					
4	Chris Chantler					
5	Danny Livesey					
6	Prince Buaben					
7	David Amoo					
8	Liam Noble					
9	Lee Miller					
10	Gary Madine					
11	Danny Cadamarteri					
12	Paul Thirlwell					
13						
14	Josh Gillies					
15	Mike Edwards					
16	Brad Potts					
17	Mark Beck					
18	Jordan Pickford					
19	David Symington					
20	Greg Fleming					
21	James Berrett					
22	Lewis Brass					
23	Sean O'Hanlon					
24	Danny Redmond					
25	Sam Byrne					
26	Jack Lynch					
27	Patrick Brough					
28	Reece Brown					
29	Lewis Guy					
30	Courtney Meppen-Walter					
31	James Pearson					
32	Kyle Dempsey					
33	Nacho Novo					
34	Lucas Dawson					
39	Pascal Chimbonda					
40	Dean Bouzanis					

## SWINDON TOWN

Manager - <b>Mark Cooper</b>		Start	Sub	Yell	Red	Gls
1	Wes Foderingham					
2	Nathan Thompson					
3	Nathan Byrne					
4	Massimo Luongo					
5	Grant Hall					
6	Tijane Freitas Reis					
7	Ryan Harley					
8	Ryan Mason					
9	Nile Ranger					
10						
11	Alex Pritchard					
12	Dany N'Guessan					
13						
14	Jay McEveley					
15	Yaser Kasim					
16	Mark Francis					
17	Connor Waldon					
18	Alex Ferguson					
19	Louis Thompson					
20	Miles Storey					
21	Alex Smith					
22	Darren Ward					
23	Jack Barthram					
24	Lee Cox					
25	Tyrrell Belford					
26	Aaron Oakley					
27	Harry Agombar					
28	Michael Smith					
29	Raphael Branco					
30	Leigh Bedwell (Gk)					
31						
32						
33	George Barker					
34	Jamie Reckord					
35	Kayden Jackson					
36						
37						
38						
39	Ben Gladwin					
40	Jack Stephens					
41	Troy Archibald-Henville					

## MATCH OFFICIALS



**REFEREE**



Mr Nigel Miller

**ASST. REFEREE**



Mr Glen Hart

**ASST. REFEREE**



Mr Michael Denton

**4TH OFFICIAL**



Mr Ross Joyce

### LAST FIVE GAMES

LEAGUE TWO	01/03/14	Fleetwood	0-0	Wimbledon	1	0
LEAGUE ONE	04/03/14	Sheff Utd	2-0	Peterborough	1	0
CHAMPIONSHIP	15/03/14	Leicester	3-1	Blackpool	4	0
LEAGUE TWO	18/03/14	Accrington	5-1	Morecambe	2	0
LEAGUE TWO	25/03/14	Rochdale	3-0	Portsmouth	0	0

<b>HALF TIME SCORE</b>		<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	
<b>FULL TIME SCORE</b>		<b>MAN OF THE MATCH</b>	
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<b>NEXT HOME GAME</b>	<b>WALSALL</b>	<b>Fri. 18th April 2014</b> kick-off 3.00pm
<b>NEXT AWAY GAME</b>	<b>PRESTON NORTH END</b>	<b>Sat. 12th April 2014</b> kick-off 3.00pm

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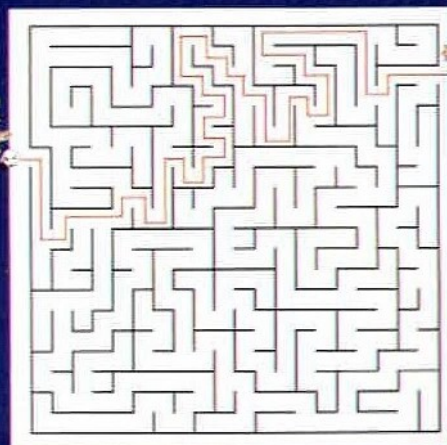
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### SPOT THE BALL ANSWER - B



**WHO IS IT?** Chris Chantler

**THAT'S BOOT-IFUL!** Reece Brown

**WHERE'S OLGA** Olga was hidden on page 45 in this issue ... did you find her?

#### NAME THAT BADGE

- Badge 1 - Oldham
- Badge 2 - MK Dons
- Badge 3 - Newport
- Badge 4 - Doncaster Rovers

# Help Ellis' Daddy raise £100,000 to find a cure for Ellis

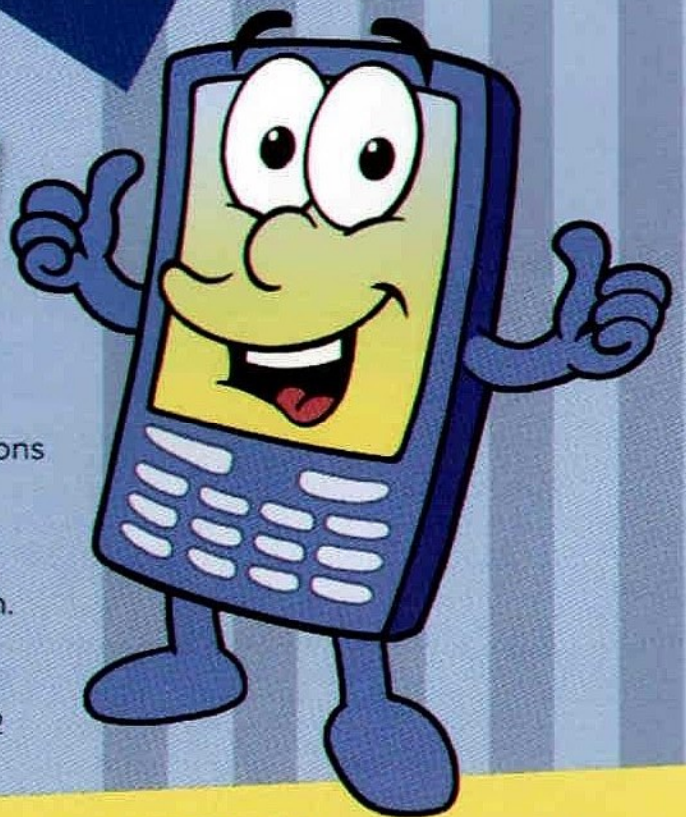
Richard Page is cycling 3,500 miles to all of Leicester City's Sky Bet Championship away games to raise money for his son, Ellis, who suffers from MECP2 Duplication Syndrome



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