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2	Nathan Thompson			
3	Nathan Byrne			
4	Massimo Luongo			
7	Ben Gladwin			
8	Yaser Kasim			
9	Michael Smith			
10	Andy Williams			
15	Josh Lelan			
16	Connor Waldon			
17	Ryan Harley			
18	George Barker			
19	Louis Thompson			
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23	Jack Barthram			
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30	Harry Agombar			

SCUNTHORPE UNITED

MANAGER: Russ Wilcox



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2	Eddie Nolan			
3	Andy Dawson			
4	Sean McAllister			
5	David Mirfin			
6	Niall Canavan			
7	Matt Sparrow			
8	David Syers			
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Football League Cup Winners: 1968/69

FA Cup Semi-Finalists: 1909/10, 1911/12

Football League Second Tier Play-Off Winners: 1989/90, 1992/93

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Runners-Up: 1962/63, 1968/69
Play-Off Winners: 1986/87

Football League Fourth Tier Winners: 1985/86, 2011/12

Southern League Winners: 1910/11, 1913/14

Football League Trophy Finalists: 2011/12

FA Youth Cup Finalists: 1964

FA Charity Shield Runners-Up: 1911

Anglo-Italian Cup Winners: 1969/70

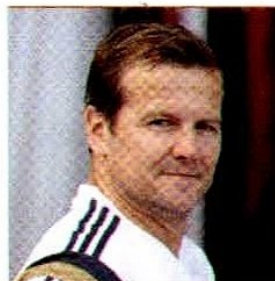
Anglo-Italian League Cup Winners' Cup Winners: 1968/69

Dubonnet Cup Winners: 1909/10

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THE GAFFER

MARK COOPER

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GOOD afternoon and welcome to The County Ground as we kick off the new season at home to Scunthorpe United.

I'M ready and apprehensive as always because you are never sure if you are ready or not, whether you have the right amount of players that you want or whether you have done enough work or not. So I'm apprehensive but looking forward to it.

Scunthorpe had a great season last year when Russ Wilcox came in. They went on an unbelievable run and set a club record of undefeated games. They then stormed to promotion so they will definitely have that momentum behind them today. I know Russ from when my dad had a spell at Doncaster Rovers; he was there as a player. I remember I used to go and watch my dad train as a young boy and I remember Russ was there at that time and he was a nice bloke.

Russ' team will play proper football: they have got some good players with a bit of experience so they will be well up for it.

You get a lot of freak results on the first day of the season: you always have done. You have to just try to stay in the game as much as you can and make sure you get something out of it. We want to play well and we want to win but to win we have got to play really well. We have had a good home record of late and we hope to keep that going.

Last week against Aston Villa's development side we played



"Obviously it was good to score four goals and send us into this game with a bit of confidence."

ok; there were some bits we didn't like and some bits we did like. Obviously it was good to score four goals and send us into this game with a bit of confidence.

The new signings that have come in so far will make us stronger for sure. They help the other players that we have got

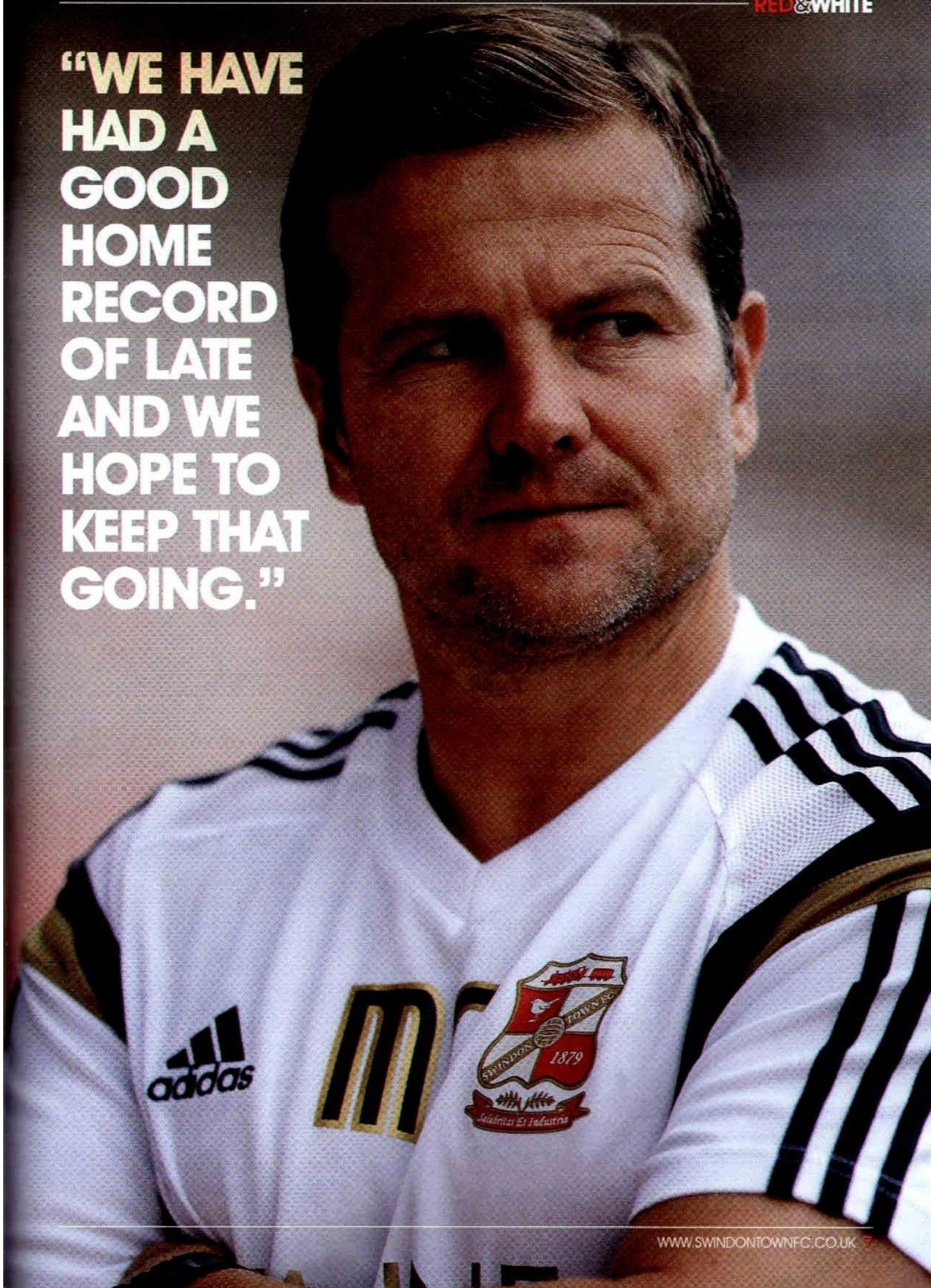
and give us that competition for places that we need. Everyone knows how young we are and it is a really youthful squad so we are going to need all of them along the way. I hope there will be another couple of additions to the squad soon too.

Finally, as always, I would like you all to stick with the young players because they need it.

Keep believing.

MARK COOPER
MANAGER

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FROM THE TOP

LEE POWER

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WELCOME to the Players, Supporters, Management and Directors of Scunthorpe United.



TODAY'S game will be very difficult for us. Scunthorpe showed last season that they are going to be very competitive even though they have now stepped up a division. Russ Wilcox has done a fantastic job up there and I am sure they'll continue to improve this season.

It has been a tough summer for the club with the legal cases and with the budget cuts but I think we have assembled a very strong squad that will be very young, energetic and hopefully entertaining.

We've had a lot of support through the summer with a number of local companies coming on board as sponsors

which is greatly appreciated. I'd like to give a special mention to our main sponsors, Imagine Cruising. I know that the commercial team and everyone at the football club is very much looking forward to working with them over the next two years.

Please get behind the lads like you always do and, fingers crossed, we can improve on what we achieved last season.

CHAIRMAN
Lee Power

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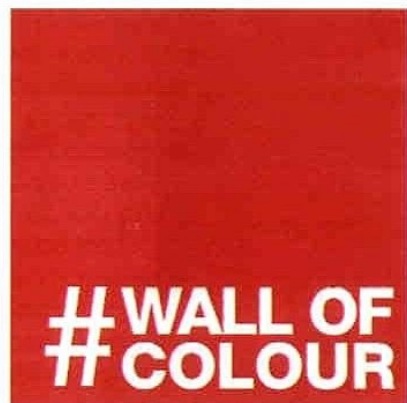
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wall of colour...



SWINDON Town are calling on Town supporters to show their true colours for the opening match of the new season against Scunthorpe United. As the new



Sky Bet Football League season kicks-off, fans across the country are being set the challenge of creating a 'Wall of Colour' at their side's opening home league match. Fans can get involved by donning their club's famous colours, as well as finding the most innovative ways to show off their love for their team through social media using #WallOfColour. Town are looking to fans to play their part this afternoon by making The CG a sea of red against the Iron and creating a memorable atmosphere to inspire the team.



team photo...

THIS week, the Town first team squad, management and staff all assembled at The CG for the annual team photograph. In a slight change of style to recent years, the Town management staff all donned the new 2014/15 away kit while all the players wore the traditional red and white. A video with behind-the-scenes footage from the photo shoot is available to watch on STFC Player. Look out for your FREE team poster with this issue of the Matchday programme.



johnstone's paint trophy draw...

THE draw for Round One of this season's Johnstone's Paint Trophy competition will take place on Saturday, August 16. As in previous seasons, the first round will see clubs divided into regional groupings with 16 clubs being awarded byes into Round Two.

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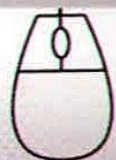
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CAPTAIN'S NOTES

ON behalf of the squad, welcome to The County Ground for our first home game of the 2014/2015 campaign.

IT'S been a summer of departures, new arrivals and hard work, and today we hope to make the best possible start and begin to realise the potential this squad has within it.

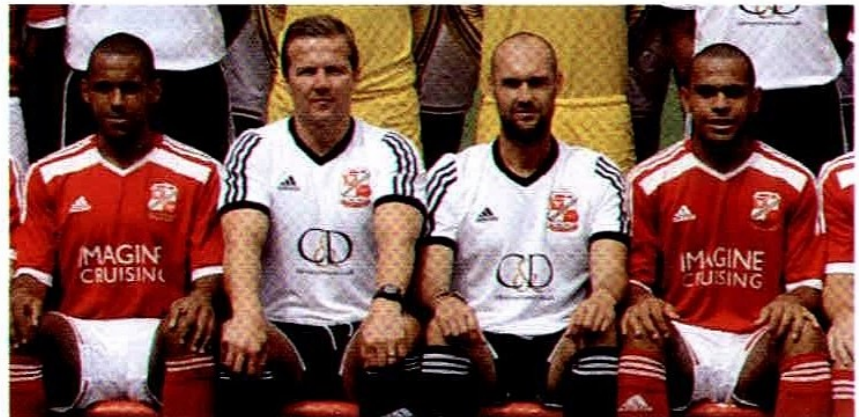
Behind the scenes, the team is bustling with the usual excitement and apprehension that a new season brings. The slate is clean, we have everything to gain and success is there for the taking. It's down to us to seize the opportunity.

Perhaps similarly to last year, we start the season viewed as 'underdogs'. It's true that people rarely expect young teams to be serious top-six contenders – but that's a status we thrive on.

The desire-to-please, enthusiasm and eagerness that comes with youth means that we're determined to prove our doubters wrong. With the talent within the team and another season's worth of professional football behind us, we hope to make our fans and the club proud.

Around a week ago, I was honoured to be asked to be the captain this year. I started at this club with the Under-12s team, so to be the First Team Captain here is a huge personal achievement for me. I carry the baton on from Darren Ward who has set a shining example of how to be the consummate professional and how to mentor young players, so I hope to carry that on and live up to the high standards he has set.

Our team-building began at pre-season camp this year. It



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literally was a camp... a no-thrills army camp in Dorset. As you can imagine, both the Sergeant Majors relished the opportunity to get stuck into a team of footballers, and lots of squaddies were amused as they watched us get put through our paces, military-style. As our dad was in the army, Louis and I thought we knew what to expect, but how wrong were we!

The camp brought the team closer together and I must admit, when the Sergeant pulled me aside at the end to tell me how impressed he was with the team's grit and determination, I couldn't

have been prouder of the boys.

As part of my new role, I'm delighted to write the Captain's Notes for our home game programmes. But I want the fans to be a part of this journey, too. So if you have any topics or questions you'd like me to discuss, please tweet me @nathan_t23 and I'll do my best to cover those in the next programme.

Turning our attention to business today and we have a tough customer on our hands. Like us only a couple of years ago, Scunthorpe are newly promoted, full of confidence and have a point to prove.

But then again, we have a point to prove too. And we're determined to do just that.

Yours truly,

NATH
TEAM CAPTAIN



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Saturday 26 April 2014
Exeter City 2
Scunthorpe United 0

Saturday 03 May 2014
Scunthorpe United 2
York City 2

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LAST TIME OUT...

THE Iron rounded off their pre-season campaign with a win over a Leicester City XI. After going a goal behind, Miguel Llera, Lyle Taylor and Sean McAllister all found the net to secure the win for Russ Wilcox's men.



INTRODUCING THE IRON



RECORD-breaking Scunthorpe are in Town this afternoon as the League 1 season finally gets underway...

THE Iron started last season as, arguably, one of the favourites to bounce back to the third tier at the first time of asking following relegation the previous season. Under the guidance of Brian Laws, in his third spell in charge at Glanford Park, Scunthorpe only lost one of their opening ten fixtures in League 2, the only blip coming in the form of a last-gasp 3-2 reverse at AFC Wimbledon. Despite exits on penalties in both the Capital One Cup and the Johnstone's Paint Trophy, the Iron entered November having only tasted defeat three times since the start of the season. A run of five games without a win in November would eventually cost Laws his job. After an exit from the FA Cup at the hands of rivals, Grimsby Town, Laws was relieved of his duties and Russ Wilcox

was handed the reins initially on a caretaker basis. After winning his first three games in charge, Wilcox would take the Iron on an unbeaten run that would last for 28 games, breaking a 125-year-old Football League record in the process. Four wins out of five over the Christmas and New Year period preceded a reversal of form for Scunthorpe: just two wins followed from eleven games between the end of January and the beginning of March. A 0-0 draw with Wycombe - the 24th match in the sequence - took Wilcox past the previous record of 23 games set in 1888/89 by William Sudell of Preston North End. Five games later, the run was ended by a 2-0 defeat at Exeter City. Despite the loss, Scunthorpe clinched promotion alongside Chesterfield and Rochdale.

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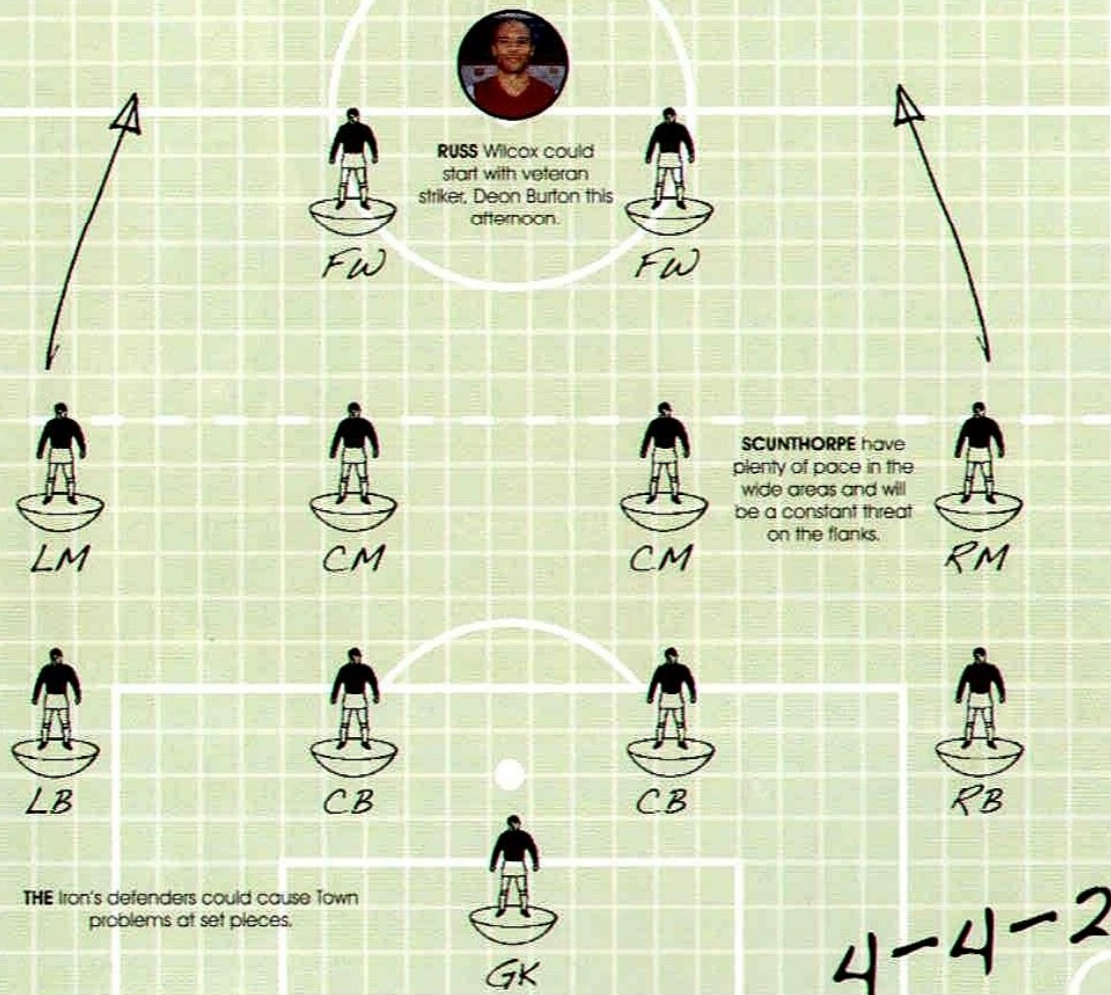
SCOUTING REPORT



ACCORDING to the R&W scout, the Iron could line up as a 4-4-2 this afternoon but could also switch between that formation and a 4-3-3 over the course of the afternoon. They have a number of good players as well as a rod of experience running through the spine of their team in the form of striker Deon Burton, midfielder

Neal Bishop and defender Miguel Llera. Russ Wilcox could start with Burton or new signing, Lyle Taylor in attack or even pair the two together up front. The Iron have plenty of attacking options all over the pitch and have pace in the wide areas which Swindon will have to be mindful of. They also have defenders that can score

goals from set pieces and Llera, who we have already mentioned, has had a decent career in the English leagues so Town have to keep an eye on defenders as well as the attacking unit. Crucially, Scunthorpe have momentum after being promoted last year so expect a fluid, attacking performance this afternoon.



MEET THE GAFFER



Russ Wilcox

IN an 18-year playing career, Wilcox played for the likes of Northampton Town, Hull City and Preston North End before signing for Scunthorpe in 1997. He would finish his career at Glanford Park under then manager, Brian Laws, eventually becoming his assistant manager in 1999. Took on the role of caretaker manager in 2004 when Laws was sacked before reverting to assistant when the former manager was reinstated. Wilcox followed Laws to Sheffield Wednesday and Burnley as his assistant but left Turf Moor in January 2011. Linked up with Laws again in October 2012 back at Glanford Park and was handed the reins full time at Scunthorpe in December 2013. Last term, he guided the Iron to promotion to League 1.

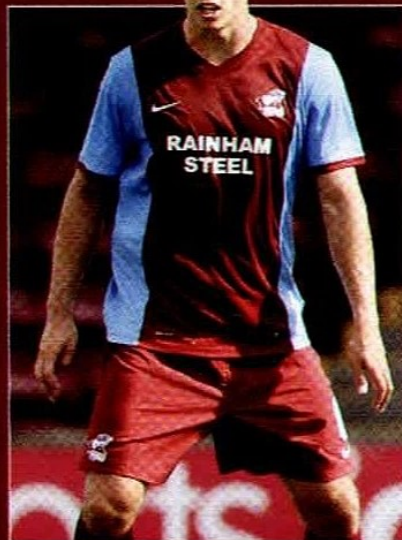
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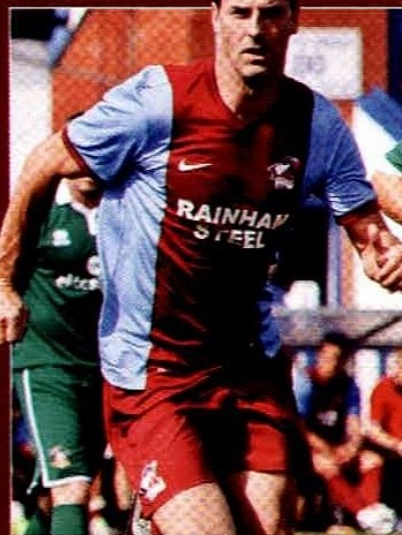
06 Niall Canavan DF

LEEDS-born Canavan is a product of the youth system at Glanford Park, graduating in 2009 after skipping the youth team. Following a spell on loan at Shrewsbury in 2010/11, he has gone on to establish himself in the Iron team since his return. Has now made over 120 appearances for Scunthorpe, including 48 appearances in all competitions last season as they won promotion. The defender has also earned international honours with the Republic of Ireland Under-21 squad.



07 Matt Sparrow MF

A midfielder who is comfortable in the middle of the park or on the wing, Sparrow spent the first eleven years of his career at Glanford Park before securing a switch to Brighton and Hove Albion. Is no stranger to opening day games at The CG having netted twice for the Seagulls in their win over Swindon at the start of the 2010/11 campaign. Was at Crawley before re-joining the Iron last term and now has over 400 appearances to his name in claret and blue.



09 Paddy Madden FW

THE striker began his career in his native Ireland with Bohemians before earning a move to Carlisle United in 2011. He next signed for Yeovil Town, initially on loan and eventually turned the move permanent in January 2013. That season, the frontman hit the back of the net 23 times as Yeovil clinched a place in the Championship via the Play-Offs. The Irishman made the move to Scunthorpe in January 2014 and scored five goals as the Iron won promotion to League 1.



MEET THE REST...

01 Sam Slocombe GK



SIGNED from non-league Bottesford Town in 2008 and has since established himself as number one at Glanford Park. Began as a junior at Lincoln City.

Is now the Iron's longest-serving player and has made over 100 appearances. Penned a new deal in the summer.

05 David Mirfin DF



MADE his name with Huddersfield Town, racking up over 160 appearances before making the switch to Scunthorpe in 2008. After a brief spell at

Watford in 2011/12, he returned to Glanford Park in the summer of 2012. Could miss out today with an injury.

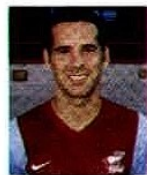
32 Miguel Uera DF



STARTED his career in his native Spain with Recreativo, Gimnastic and Hercules before moving to MK Dons in 2008. He then joined Blackpool and had a

stint with Brentford which preceded a switch to Sheffield Wednesday. Signed for the Iron last month.

04 Sean McAllister MF



THE midfielder was signed by Manchester United as a youngster and had stints at Bolton and Sheffield Wednesday before penning a deal with the

latter. Has since been with Shrewsbury, Port Vale and Cowdenbeath in Scotland. Joined the Iron last summer.

10 Deon Burton FW



A striker with plenty of experience, Burton has plied his trade in the Premier League with the likes of Derby and Portsmouth. Had a brief stint at Swindon

in 2003/04 and has since played for clubs at home and overseas. Signed for Scunthorpe in 2013.

02 Eddie Nolan DF



THE full-back came through the ranks at Blackburn Rovers, making his debut in the UEFA Cup in 2006. Has since enjoyed spells at Stockport, Hartlepool

and Preston before signing for Scunthorpe in 2013. Has international honours with Eire.

18 Miles Addison DF



THE defender is currently on loan from AFC Bournemouth on an initial one-month stint. The former Derby County man started his career at Pride

Park before joining the Cherries in 2012. Spent time with Rotherham last term.

08 David Syers MF



SYERS began life as a professional with Bradford after spending time in non-league football. Racked up over 50 appearances before departing for an

injury-hit period at Doncaster. Enjoyed a loan spell at Glanford Park before signing a permanent deal with the Iron.

11 Jennison Myrie-Williams MF



WINGER who came through the ranks at Bristol City before spending time out on loan. Has played in Scotland for the likes of Dundee United and St.

Johnstone before moving back down south. Was most recently with Port Vale before joining the Iron in June.

19 Lyle Taylor FW



ANOTHER of the Iron's close-season signings, Taylor started out with Millwall before dropping into the non-leagues. His goalscoring form

earned him a switch to Bournemouth. His next move was to Scotland where he banged in the goals for Falkirk.

03 Andy Dawson DF



VETERAN defender who is now back at the Iron as a player/coach. Played in Scunthorpe's Play-Off Final win at Wembley in 1999 before moving

to Hull City in 2003. Spent a decade on Humberside before returning to Glanford Park last summer.

30 Marcus Williams DF



A graduate of the youth system at Glanford Park, signing his first professional deal in 2003. Helped the Iron win back-to-back promotions to

the Championship then departed for Reading. Had a spell at Sheffield United before re-joining Scunthorpe last term.

12 Neal Bishop MF



MADE his breakthrough in the professional game at Barnet in 2007 before joining Notts County in 2009. Enjoyed four years at

Meadow Lane, making nearly 200 appearances then departed for Blackpool. Joined the Iron in June.

14 Terry Hawkrige MF



PLUCKED from the non-leagues by Scunthorpe, the wide-man featured regularly for the Iron last term. Forged a reputation with Carlton before

moving to Gainsborough Trinity. He signed for Scunthorpe in the summer of 2013.

28 Gary McSheffrey FW



STARTED out at Coventry City, netting over 50 goals before securing a move to Birmingham City. After four years at St. Andrews, he returned

to Coventry and racked up over 100 appearances. Joined Scunthorpe last term, helping the Iron to promotion.

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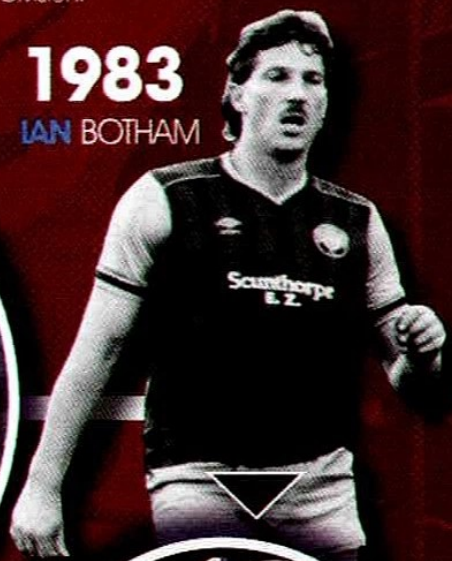


1969

KEVIN KEEGAN

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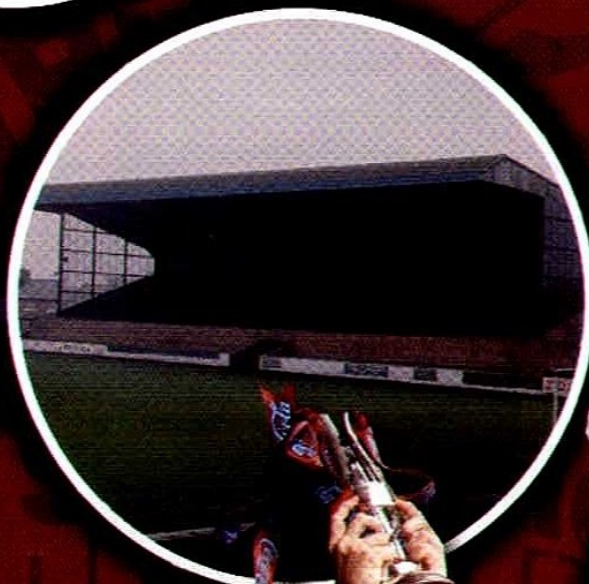
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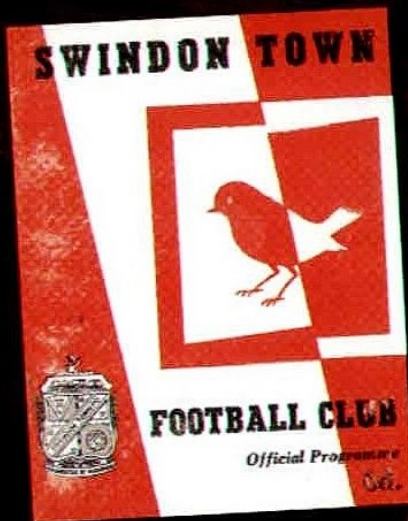
DIVISION THREE PLAY-OFF FINAL WINNERS

BRIAN Laws leads the Iron to promotion. Calvo Garcia's goal at Wembley seals Scunthorpe's place in Division Two.



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OUR VISITORS

For the opening game of our Division II season we are pleased to welcome the Directors, Officials and Players of Scunthorpe United Football Club.

Details of the players from whom the team will be selected are as follows:-

JONES, KEN (Goalkeeper)

A native of South Wales, and a former Welsh Under-23 International. Joined Scunthorpe in 1955-56 season from Cardiff City, and is regarded as one of the best goalkeepers in the Second Division.

NEEVES, BRIAN (Goalkeeper)

In his second full season with Scunthorpe and played really well when drafted into the reserve side at the end of last season. A long-cashier full, he joined Scunthorpe from Blackburn Rovers and has made rapid improvement towards the top grade.

BROWNSWORD, JACK (Full Back)

Scunthorpe's veteran full back, having joined the club from Frickley Colliery, while United were in the Midland League. Has a fine record as a player, and is the team's penalty expert. Had a short spell with Hull City before joining new league club, Frickley. A native of Barnsley, now Doncaster and a former collier.

HONSTEAD, BARRY (Full Back)

Another long service player, who joined Scunthorpe from Brigg Town. Was originally a wing-half but has also played well at centre half. Born at Brigg, but Scunthorpe is his only league club. Strong full back, and full of courage.

HENNSTEAD, DEEKE (Full Back)

Joined Scunthorpe straight from a local school, and has worked his way through the junior teams. Has made several fine team appearances in the last two seasons, and is a full back of real promise. Born in Scunthorpe.

GIBSON, ARCHIE (Wing Half)

Joined Scunthorpe for a fee from Leeds United, and now starting his fourth season with the club. Has been club captain for the past three seasons, & a Scotman, who plays a calm game and is rarely troubled.

OUR VISITORS—CONTINUED

GANNON, MIKE (Wing Half)

Joined Scunthorpe from Everton at the start of last season as a full back, but could not settle. Was moved to wing half, and made such improvements that he was back in the senior side at the end of the season. A native of Liverpool.

NEALE, PETER (Centre Half)

Joined Scunthorpe for their first season in the Second Division in 1958 as an inside forward from Oldham Athletic. From there was restricted to wing half, and later to centre half, where he has made his name. Frickley, and a fine leader of the full. Born in Derbyshire.

PASSMOOR, TOM (Centre Half)

Joined Scunthorpe five years ago from South Shields, but was previously with Sunderland. A strong player, who has emerged into the first team as deputy for Neale and played some outstanding games.

MARSHYTT, JACK (Wing Forward)

Spaced as a professional with Scunthorpe, and moved from them to Sheffield Wednesday, returning to Scunthorpe from the Huddersfield Town. Can play on either wing, and a most experienced wing forward. Born at Scunthorpe.

WILSON, ANDY (Wing Forward)

Joined Scunthorpe from Sheffield United three years ago, and has played well in both wing positions. Very fast, and clever on the ball. A native of Bradford.

LINDSEY, BARRY (Inside Forward)

A young inside forward of great promise, who made his first team debut two years ago at the age of 18. Joined Scunthorpe straight from a local school, and has quickly developed into an inside forward of great potential. Has a younger brother Keith, who is on the ground staff. Born in Scunthorpe.

HODGSON, KEN (Inside or Wing Forward)

Another ability forward of great promise, who joined Scunthorpe from Nyrwada United, his home town club, in late 1961. Can play in any of the forward positions.

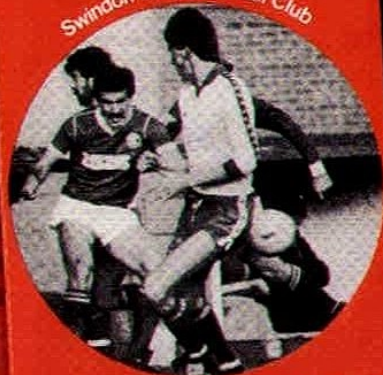
THIS historic first meeting between the sides marked Swindon's first ever game in the second tier of English football. Ernie Hunt headed in the opening goal of the game before adding his second later on in the game. John Stevens also found the net to give Town their first win of the new season; the catalyst for a run that would see them go top of the table. A collapse in form sees them finish outside the promotion places come the end of the campaign.

MATCH: FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO
RESULT: SWINDON TOWN 3 SCUNTHORPE UNITED 0
GOALSCORERS: HUNT (2), STEVENS
ATTENDANCE: 18,451





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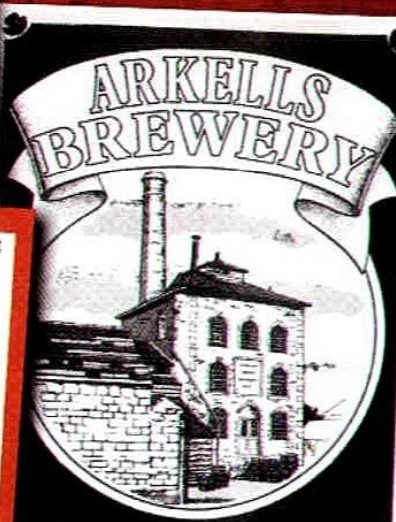
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KEELAN McNALLY



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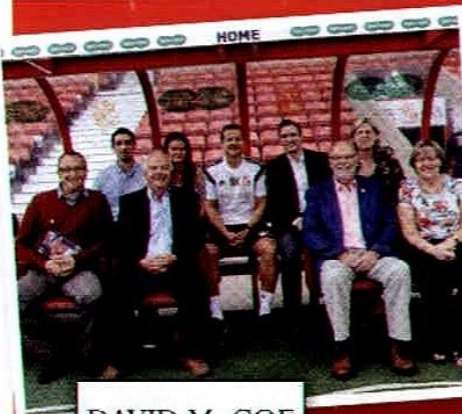
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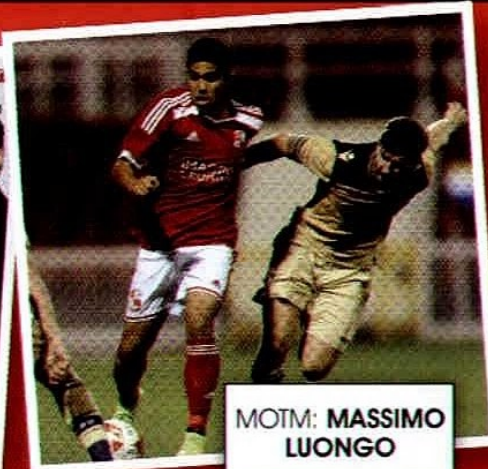
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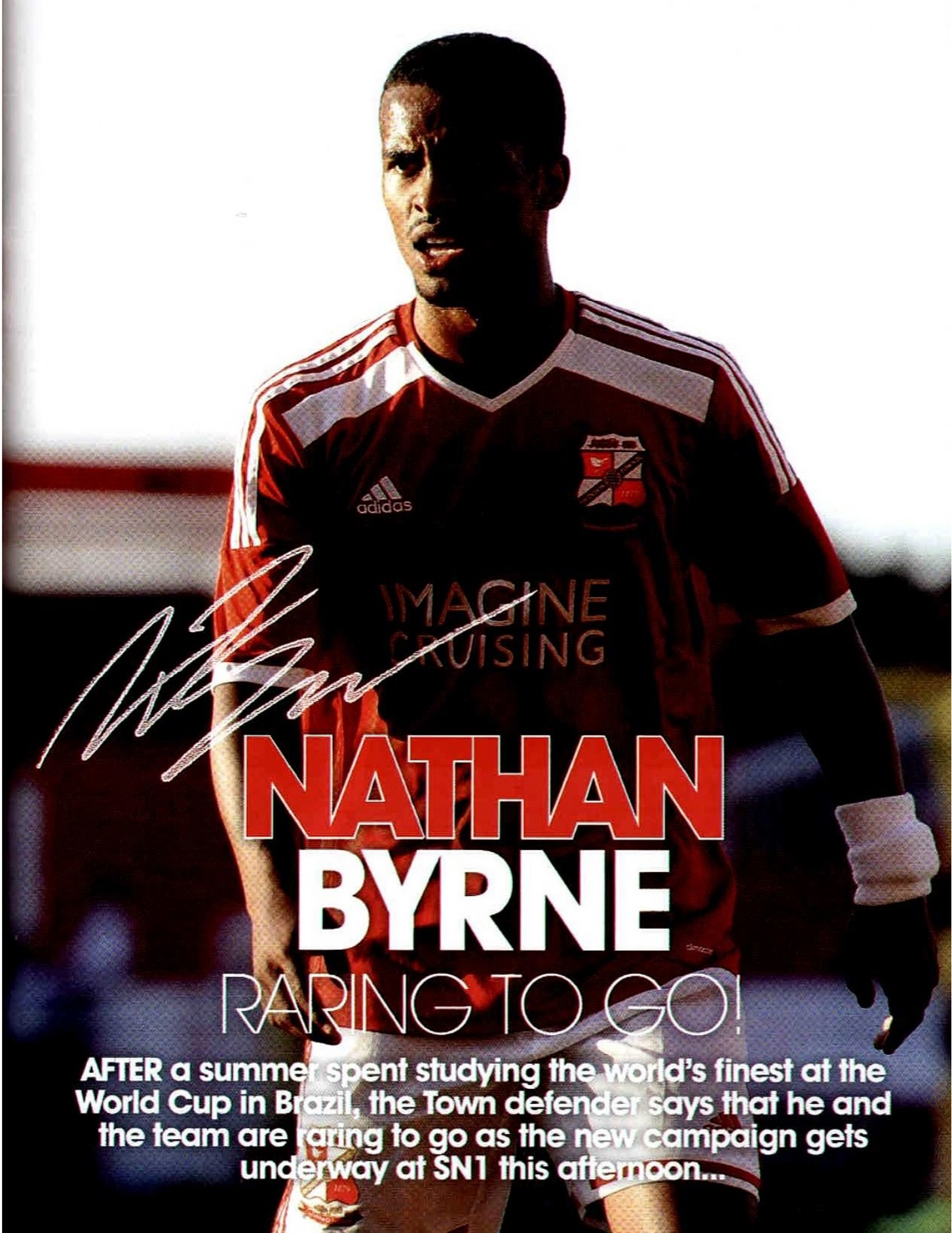
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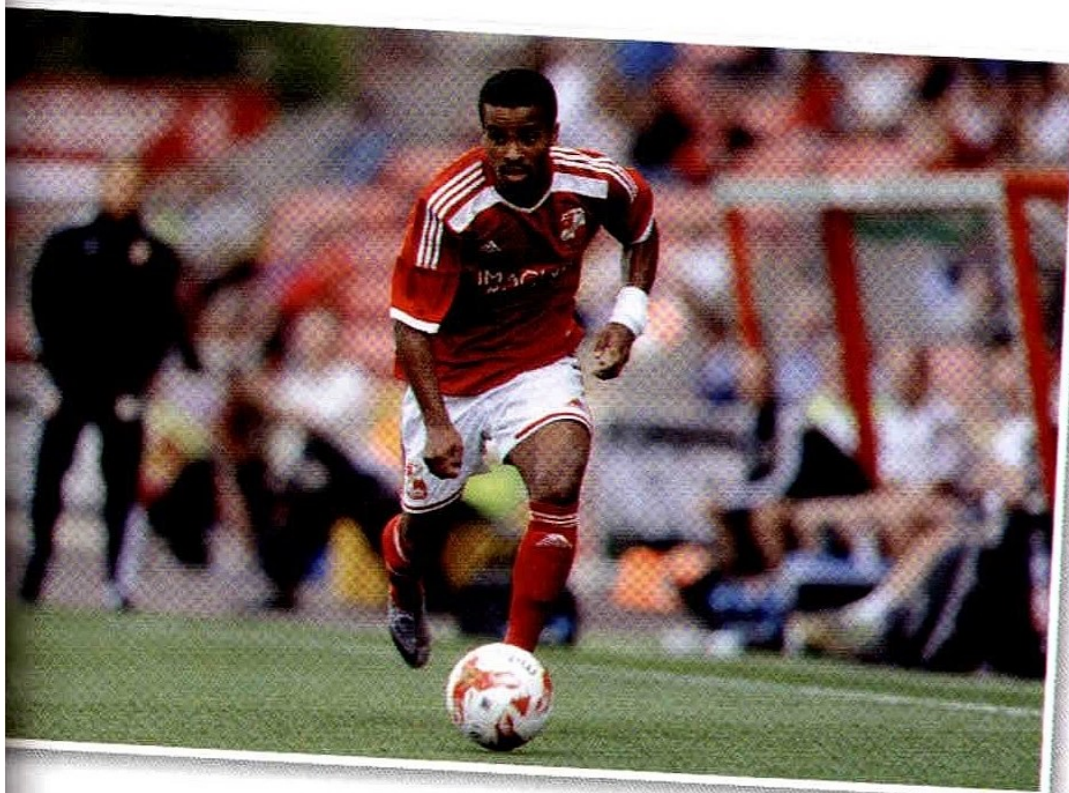
NATHAN BYRNE

RARING TO GO!

AFTER a summer spent studying the world's finest at the World Cup in Brazil, the Town defender says that he and the team are raring to go as the new campaign gets underway at SN1 this afternoon...



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“Playing against Chelsea in the League Cup was a great moment for the rest of the lads and was another one of my highlights.”

WELL, Nathan, let's start with last season: an 8th-placed finish and an Area Final defeat in the Johnstone's Paint Trophy. Do you think you surprised people with the way the team performed?

Yes, I think the teams we played were definitely surprised - even our own fans were surprised at times. It was not the most organised start to the season last year so I definitely think we surprised a few people with how well we did come the end of the season.

If you had to name any, what were your standout moments of last term?

The comeback at Port Vale and

scoring the winner up there. I would also say that, even though I was banned, playing against Chelsea in the League Cup was a great moment for the rest of the lads and was another one of my highlights. My goal against Port Vale at home is up there too.

You managed to get on the scoresheet a couple of times. Is that something you've not been used to over the course of your career so far?

Not so much. Before coming to Swindon I only had one league goal and I had played in a full-back role all my life. Here, I'm higher up the pitch as a wing-back so it's a lot easier for me to get chances and score goals.

What about your summer break - did you manage to get away from it all and unwind?

Well at the end of last season, I had just had my little girl who is now only four months old. It came at a good time because at the start, when she was born, I wasn't there all the time but the summer was great. I didn't go away at all in actual fact, I just stayed with my little girl. It was good to spend time with her.

You must have cast an eye over the World Cup at some point though?

Yes, I watched every game to be fair. I don't like watching a bad standard of football but when a good standard is on like the World Cup then I really like it. I watched every game - even the boring, late-night ones!

So you've been back in pre-season for the last few weeks. A lot of players have commented on how much they have enjoyed training - is that something you'd agree with?

To be honest with you, I expected it to be less ball work and more running than there actually was. If anything, I feel more fit this season than I did at the end of pre-season last year. I have also played four or five lots of 90 minutes across this pre-season so I'm feeling good.

The army camp must have been a bit of a culture shock though. I hear you were a bit concerned that there were no curtains in your room...

No, I wasn't happy about that because I like sleeping! I really thought that going down there would be five days of death but, to be fair, there was only one day which was anything like

that. One of the funniest things I remember from that week actually was Mike, the sports scientist, trying to wrestle one of the army guys. We did a bit of wrestling and combat skills and Mike tried to take on one of the army PTs. It took the guy about three seconds to put him on the floor and Mike took ages to get back up again.

Pre-season on the pitch has seen Swindon take on a number of sides of varying standards and abilities. Has that gradual build-up in the standard of opposition been beneficial?

Definitely. To start out with, it's good playing against local sides, not just for us but also for the local community too. Also, if we got thrown in with a

but I love it to be honest. After watching the World Cup I think more teams are playing with three centre-backs and two wing-backs so it's only a good thing to get better at.

Swindon get back into action this afternoon against Scunthorpe. Are you glad to be able to get stuck into a competitive game again?

Of course, that's what you build up for during pre-season. It's not just me, all the lads are exactly the same: we're all buzzing and we can't wait.

Scunthorpe will present you with a stern test though. After promotion last season, they're going to have plenty of momentum going into today's game...

Are you pleased to be starting the new season in front of a home crowd?

Yes, definitely. It will be good especially for the boys who are new to start their season playing in front of a home crowd.

Are you one of those that frets over the result on the opening day of the new season or is more about the performance?

It's all about the win but if you play well and get beaten by a lucky goal then what can you do? Some teams have a bad month at the start of the season but then again some teams have a bad month in the middle of the season and some teams at the end so it doesn't matter. Today we'll be all out to get a good performance under our belts and hopefully get the win.

"We've shown a lot of character and it was a great experience playing teams like Southampton and Leeds."

Championship team straight away it's not great, not just from a performance point of view but it's also easier to get injuries. I would say the way we've done it this season has been perfect. We've shown a lot of character and it was a great experience playing teams like Southampton and Leeds. We can take a lot from that and hopefully take it into the new season.

You mentioned earlier about playing as a wing-back. Is that an example of your versatility or is it a position you really want to try and nail down as your own?

A bit of both really. I played in pretty much every position last season but I think I can adapt well to be honest. I've been playing wide of midfield and sometime at full-back so I think wing-back is my perfect role. There is a lot of running involved

Of course but I think that's the same with every game, whether you play against the team that's at the top of the league or at the bottom. Every game is about how we go into it and apply ourselves to try and get the right result. One of my close friends from when I was at Bournemouth Lyle Taylor, he's just gone there. He's an attacking player, he's strong, he's quick and he's direct so will always be a threat. He scored a lot of goals when he was playing in Scotland.



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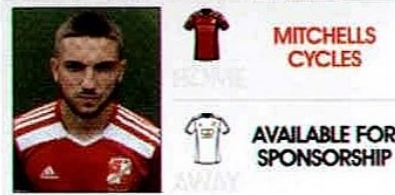
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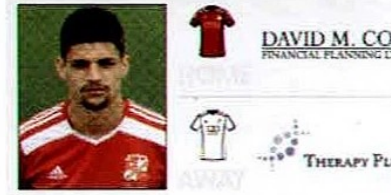
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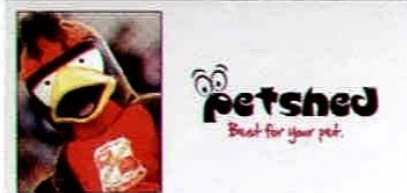
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TREATMENT ROOM

MICHAEL COOPER

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THE STFC Sports Scientist is in the Treatment Room this week and explains why he can sometimes be seen sat in the dugout with a tablet in his hands...



MY role during pre-season has been to ensure that the players achieve a level of fitness so they can perform week in and week out for the long season that we have in League 1. It has involved numerous different types of training from 11 v 11 right down to 1 v 1 work, possession, finishing and defensive drills that have been tailored with a conditioning element. They've had to do some hard running which they experienced in their time at the army camp and obviously they've had a lot of game time as well which is great for the up-and-coming matches. It has been well documented that the STFC Supporters Club have

helped us out with the new set of Polar watches and I am very grateful to them for their donation. We have been able to use them throughout the off-season to ensure that the boys have been doing the desired amount of work that has been needed to ensure they gain their needed fitness.

During pre-season, you may have seen me in the dugout with an iPad in my lap. The explanation for that is very simple: the heart rate monitors that the players are wearing give a real time feed of their heart rate maximum percentage. This tells me how each player is responding physically during match play.

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In consideration of the time frame and fixtures we have had, I feel this pre-season has gone well. It is always a hectic period and sometimes different schedules can affect your training plans but with what we have had, we have made the best of it. I look forward to the season ahead and hope we are successful.

MICHAEL COOPER
Sports Scientist

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Rapha Branco clears the danger.



Tuesday 29th July, 7.45pm

TOWN 1

SMITH

LEEDS UNITED 2

MORISON, AUSTIN



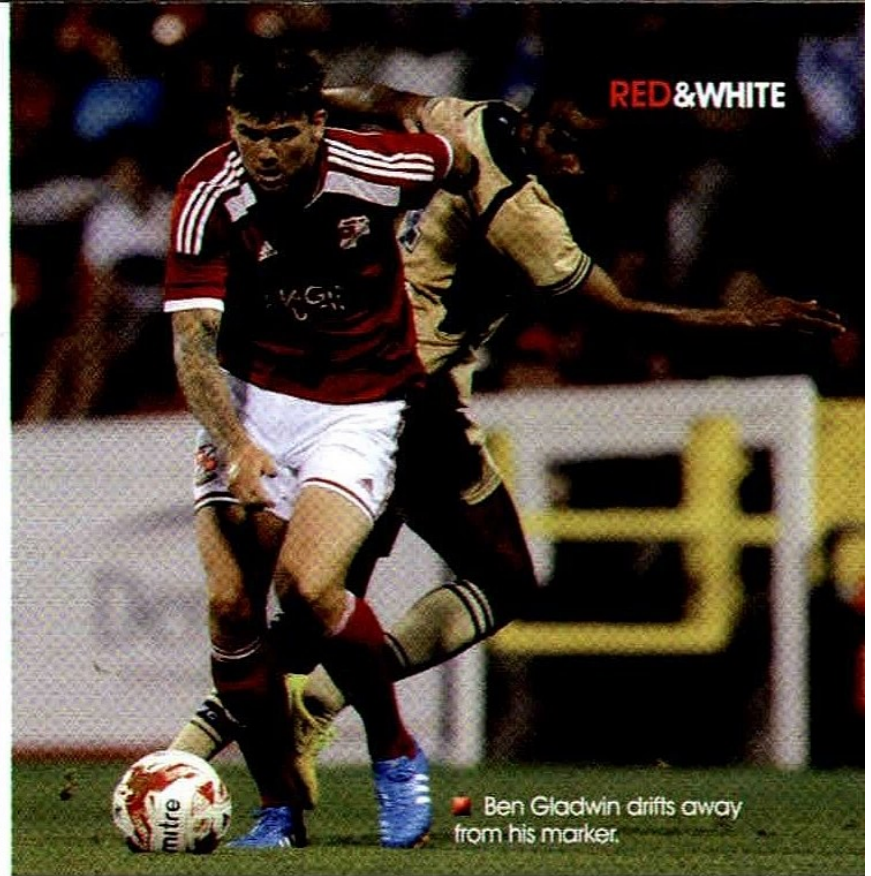
Michael Smith nets for Swindon.



■ Louis Thompson



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■ Ben Gladwin drifts away from his marker.

■ Jordan Turnbull on the ball.



■ George Barker



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happy 18th!

LAST week, Callum Hampson, a member
of staff here at STFC, celebrated a very
special 18th birthday. Callum has been a
member of the team here at The CG for
over a year. On behalf of everyone at SN1,
we'd like to wish you all
a very happy birthday
and many happy
returns!



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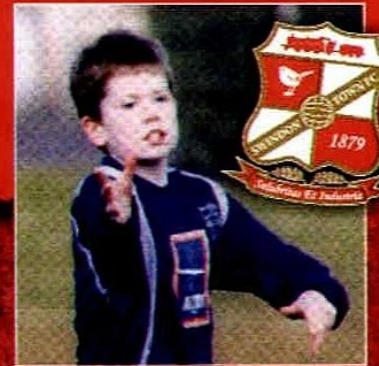
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Michael Hinder

RIP Michael Hinder of
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From all his friends in the
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today's mascot



Archie George Best

AGE: 12 Today!
SCHOOL: St. Joseph's School
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HOBBIES: Football, Swimming,
Badminton and Table Tennis
FAVOURITE PLAYER: Massimo Luongo



Gerald Woodvine

A life-long Town fan, Gerald was
taken seriously ill on 9th June and
sadly passed away two days later.
Even though he was diagnosed
with Parkinson's disease four years
ago, he still went to every game
both home and away. He was a
member of SAS Travel and enjoyed
his trips on Coach One. Members
of Gerald's close family will be at
the game this afternoon as a tribute
to him: his wife Rosemary, his sons
Martin and Colin (both Season Ticket
holders, his daughters-in-law Sharon
and Andrea and his grandchildren
Zoley, Lucy and Luke. Gerald bought
his first season ticket in 1959 which
set him back £7 and he carried
on supporting the Town throughout
his working life and into retirement,
everything had to be planned
around his beloved Swindon. He
celebrated watching the Town play
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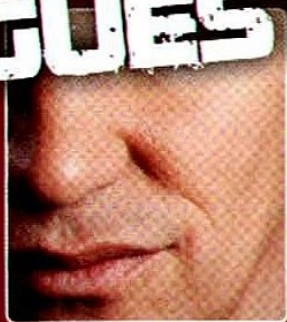
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WHOSE BOOTS?



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Nathan Byrne



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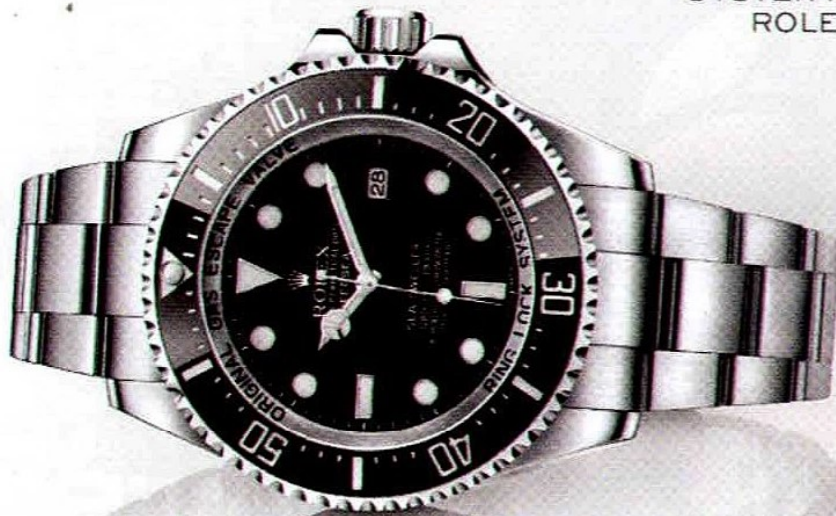
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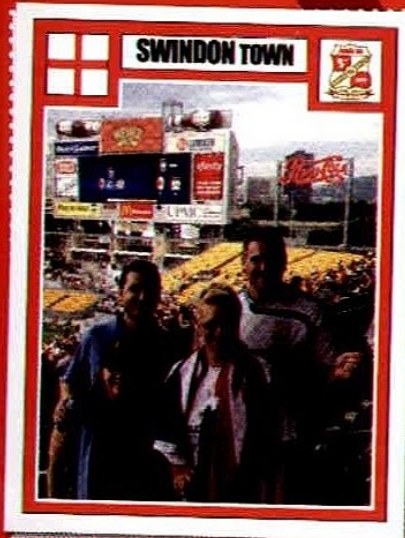
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 RICH Adams, Jon Adams and Kev Smith with the World Cup mascot before the England v Uruguay game in São Paulo.



FLYING THE FLAG IN THE USA
 TOWN fan Jason Luke who lives in Ohio with his wife Terri, is pictured with friends in Pittsburgh watching Man City play AC Millant!



TOWN MEET F1
 THANKS to Matthew Gough who is pictured with a friend at the British F1 weekend at Silverstone. They are both proudly showing their colours.



HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY!
 A very happy 50th birthday to Town fan Andy Walsham with love from all your family.



ALL SMILES FOR TOWN!
 RICKY Hacker sent us this picture of his 2-month old daughter Emby Jo Hacker modeling dads old Town shirt.



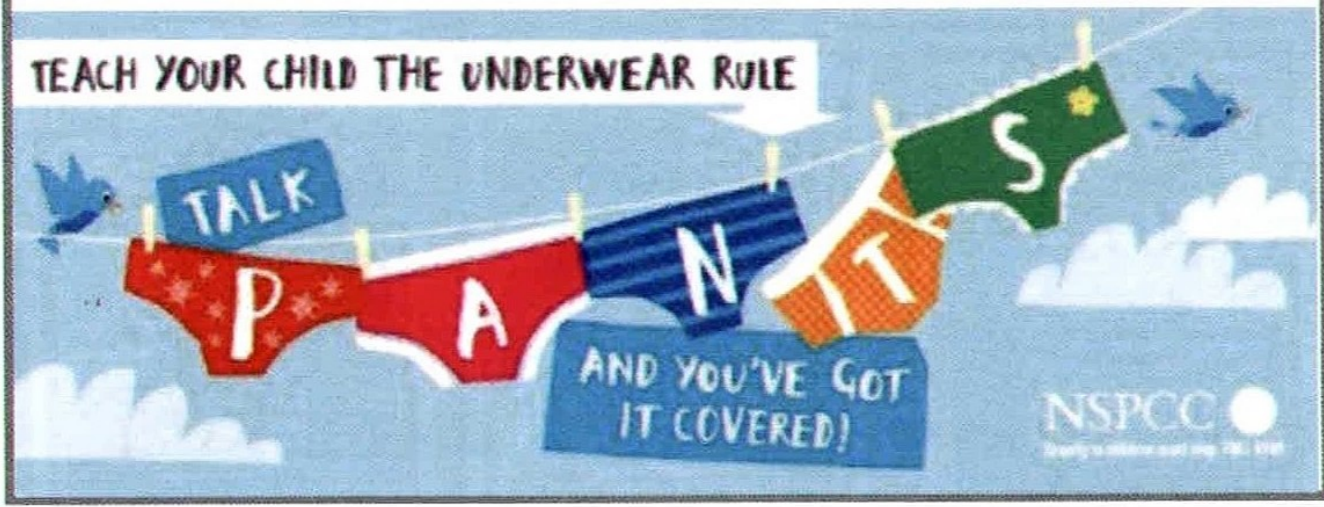
IN THE HOLIDAY MOOD
 THANKS to Jake Pearce age 4 who is looking rather dapper in his holiday shades wearing his Town colours. Enjoy your holiday Jake!



HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY!
 MANY happy returns to Richard Soffe, a lifelong Swindon fan with lots of love from your fiancée Sue. (ST holders in the Don Rogers).

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WELCOME back to the opening game of the 2014/15 campaign against Scunthorpe United...

SELDOM could the first game of the season have been awaited with so much excitement than the Swindon v Scunthorpe Division Two match on Saturday 24th August 1963. Not because Scunthorpe were visiting The County Ground for the first time ever but it was the first ever game for Swindon in Division Two following promotion the previous season. A gate of 18,000 were at The County Ground to see Swindon win 3-0 with goals from Ernie Hunt (two) and John Stevens. Swindon enjoyed a great start that season, not losing until match 10 at Northampton when they were beaten 4-0. How we could do with a start like that this season. I think we all know that the club needs as much support as possible as it makes every effort to get on a level footing, so can I ask you to continue buying a 50/50 draw ticket and also support Mavis Knight's 'Pounds for Points' scheme. She is already on £47.50 a point and would like



to make it up to £50 before the season starts.

I am delighted that we were able to support the Academy team on their recent trip to Northern Ireland for the Milk Cup, with teams from all over the world participating. It is an excellent tournament against top-class opposition.

Let's hope for a good season.

ROGER BUNCE

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Words **Dave Wallis**

DAVE Wallis revisits an event that would arguably set the foundations for 'Bert's Babes' of the early 1960s...

IT'S fifty four years ago this week that something happened at the County Ground that gave Town manager Bert Head something to think about as the new season approached.

The date was 13th August 1960, and it was a tradition at the time that a match took place between what was seen as the most likely first eleven, and what was perceived to be the expected second string for the forthcoming campaign.

Seen as the Probables versus the Possibles, there was little room for misinterpretation when one team ran out in red while the other donned blue, a clear indication that one group was seen as the first eleven, while the other lot were the 'visiting' cannon fodder.

But if any senior player was thinking his place was secure, this Saturday match, played in front of a County Ground crowd a week prior to the start of the big kick-off, was to give him second thoughts.

Club legend and captain Maurice Owen lined up to help out the youngsters, but it was Ken Mellor who stole the show, striking three times as the upstarts trounced the more established playing staff by seven goals to two.

Not that the losing team didn't have talent. Both Mike Summerbee and Ernie Hunt, debutants the previous season,

finished on the wrong end of the scoreline, with both players being seen as intrinsic to the first team in 1960/61.

But before the following week was out, and perhaps sparing his senior players the embarrassment of a public repeat performance, Head lined the same sets of players up against each other behind closed doors... and again the second string beat the 'first' team.

The real losers appear to have been a couple of trialists called Bell and Richardson, who, having been humbled by the junior side, lost their places to the 17 year old full back pairing of John Trollope and Terry Wollen in the opening fixture at home to Halifax a week later.

And as the youngest defensive partnership in the history of the Football League, both players would justify their inclusion throughout the season with Trollope being almost ever present and Wollen making over thirty appearances.

Sadly, hat trick hero Mellor played just four games of the new campaign before departing for Burton Albion in December.



■ Bert Head (top), Terry Wollen (middle) and John Trollope (bottom).

RED WHITE



Michael Smith



Saturday 2nd August, 3pm

TOWN 4

L. THOMPSON, GLADWIN 2, WILLIAMS

ASTON VILLA XI 1

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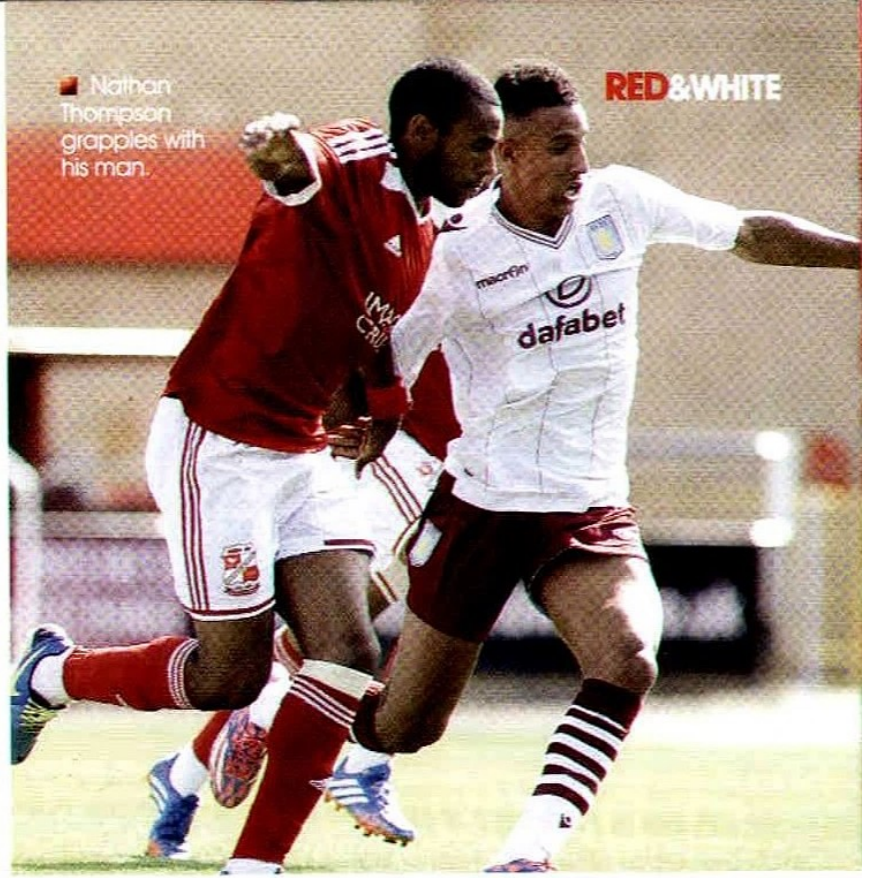
Lee Marshall tussles for possession.



Josh Lelan



Nathan Thompson grapples with his man.

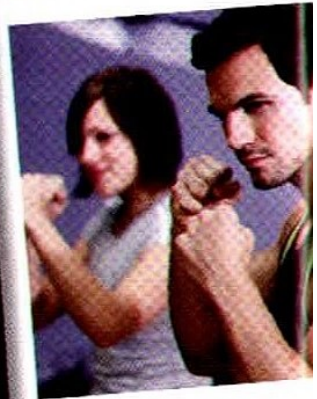
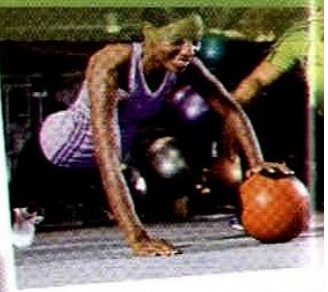


Jordan Turnbull keeps his eyes firmly on the ball.



Mark Cooper looks on.





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Social Snapper



OUR very own resident snapper has been behind the scenes at The County Ground this week. Watch out for his candid pics over the course of this season...



50s In focus

R&W turns the clock back 60 years as we introduce a new feature to the 2014/15 edition of the programme...

Words **Paul Plowman**

LOOKING back through the 13 previous decades that the club has been in existence, the 1950's would not rank as one of the most memorable.

The achievement of reaching the Fifth Round of the F.A. Cup in 1952 and the fourth-place finish six years later were mere oases in a desert of mediocrity and struggle. Yet those ten years were still full of landmark happenings at the County Ground.

Floodlit football arrived, the first Youth Cup tie was played, continental opposition made its debut, the club operated without a manager for 16 months, the first full length stand on the Shrivenham Road side was built and Town took to the air for the first time.

The youth policy that was to

produce such fine talent as Bobby Woodruff, Ernie Hunt, Mike Summerbee, John Trollope and Don Rogers was also set in motion in the 1950's, while three of the senior players - Sam Burton, George 'Garth' Hudson and Maurice Owen - who had joined the club in the 1940's were still there as the calendar clicked over to January 1960.

With the help of interviews with some of the surviving players from sixty years ago, I will be taking an in-depth look back at this period

throughout the coming season. Set against the monochrome backdrop of the work of Tim Davies, plus clips from my own collection of Football Pinks and programmes, I hope you will enjoy the journey back too!

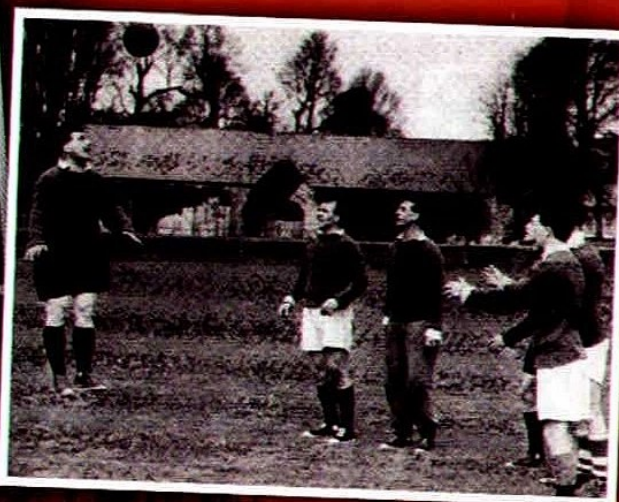


■ Snow stops play in 1954. Town manager, Maurice Lindley is on the far right.

■ Bert Head shows his players how it's done in training.



▶ Town in action against German side, SSV Reutlingen the day after Boxing Day in 1958.



year in focus

year in focus

year in focus

'50 '51 '52 '53 '54 '55 '56 '57 '58 '59

This week in 1950

AUGUST 7: Town make three new signings in half-backs TED BATCHELOR (from Wolves), Henry 'MEL' BINES (Army and ex-Cardiff amateur) and full-back LYNDON LEWIS (Colts). Batchelor (96 appearances) and Bines (six) both favoured the centre-half role, but neither had many opportunities there due to the dominance of 'Garth' Hudson.

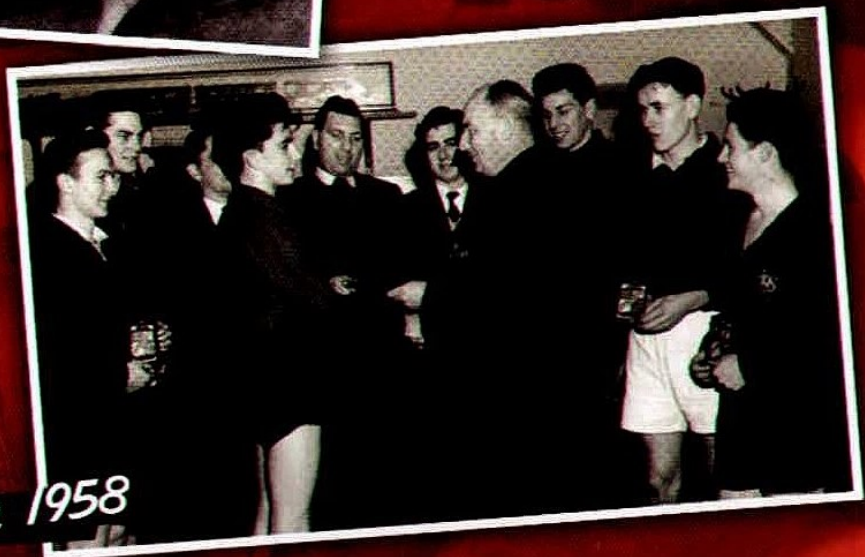


This week in 1955


AUGUST 8: The club is faced with the prospect of not having the only area with seating accommodation - the then 60 year old North Stand - open for the start of the season. An architects report presented to the board of directors warns that '..... 90% of the foundation timbers are rotten' As a precaution, the stand remained closed and was not fully opened until November.



AUGUST 4: Five youngsters are handed their first professional contracts - David Corbett, Gerry Dear, Keith Morgan, Kevin Morris and Bobby Woodruff. The latter made just over 200 first team appearances before leaving for Wolves in 1964, while Morgan went on to make 365. The only one not to graduate to the League side was Morris, who was later appointed club physio and who sadly died in 1995 aged 55.



This week in 1958



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MOST fans will be looking from this very first game for signs that the club is going to challenge for promotion, and some will make the most dire of judgements after just 90 minutes. That's football.

The Supporters' Trust is made up of people who are just as fanatical about our team and the season ahead as anyone else, but we are also trying to take a longer-term view of life at The County Ground and now that the legal wranglings of the summer are over, we want to do everything we can to support the plans which Lee Power and his team are developing to put our club back on a stable footing for the long-term.

To be effective partners, though, we need to demonstrate that we represent a good proportion of the fans. That's why we have been pressing the case for new members. We hope you have met up with representatives of the Trust outside the ground this afternoon, and that you will (if you haven't already) pay the very modest membership fee and join in our campaign for the coming years.

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A first pre-season as a professional has taught Ben Gladwin about the stresses and strains of full-time football as well as yielding his first goals in Town colours...



Ben Gladwin

BEN

GLADWIN

READY FOR ACTION...

SPEAKING to R&W ahead of this afternoon's clash with Scunthorpe at SN1, the midfielder reflected on a pre-season campaign that was a world away from the training and preparation he had experienced during his time in non-league football.

"There's a massive difference," he said.

"Obviously coming into a full-time environment, your body needs to get used to it first of all and mentally as well, getting through every day. If you want to kick on as a footballer



"It was a bit of a relief really to have got a couple of goals. Hopefully that's something I can add to now and kick on and get a few more."

then there is no better environment. I feel that physically, I've grown into my body. I feel a lot sharper and quicker, a lot stronger and with the coaching from the gaffer and Luke (Williams) I've learned a lot."

"It's not actually as hard as I thought it would be. It sounds silly but it's been a lot more work with the ball than I've experienced previously so that's been enjoyable."

As part of their preparations, the young midfielder even described what it was like having a week away under the watchful eye of army training instructors on Thorney Island. He explained: "It taught me that the army is very hard! We did learn togetherness as a squad. We all came together brilliantly, looked after each other and pushed each other hard."

Last weekend against an Aston

Villa XI, Gladwin netted twice for Swindon in a 4-1 win – his first goals in the famous red and white. He admitted that it was nice to get off the mark and revealed that he would be keeping any personal targets for the coming campaign a closely-guarded secret. "It was brilliant," he said. "It was a bit of a relief really to have got a couple of goals. Hopefully that's something I can add to now and kick on and get a few more."

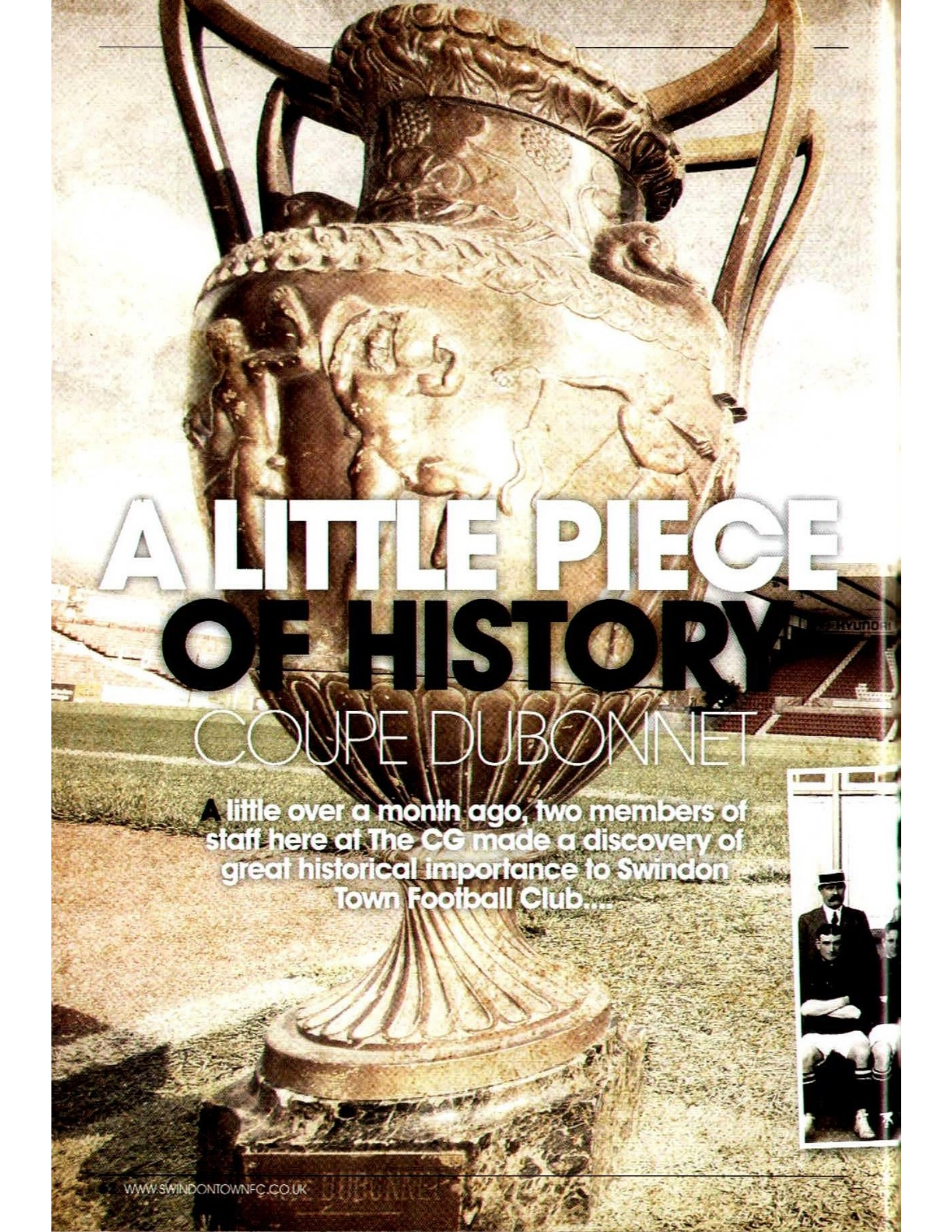
"I've set myself some targets now but I'll keep them private. I've also set myself some goals that I'd like to hit in terms of how many games I'd like to play and how many goals I'd like to score."

With promoted Scunthorpe in town today, the midfielder declared that Swindon will be working hard to pick up all three points despite their opponents' success last term.

"They'll be right on it having come up from League 2," he said. "They'll be buzzing to get underway but I feel we've got a good vibe at the moment, a good group and we're working hard so hopefully we'll get the right result today."

Finally, with players like Scunthorpe's Terry Hawkrige joining Gladwin in making the leap up from non-league football, the midfielder says that they are proof that it is possible to make the grade in the professional game.

"I think it does happen a fair bit" he admitted. "There are boys who play non-league football and they think there's no way out but if you work hard enough and you do want to get there then there are people watching you and there are ways into the league. A few of us have shown that the step is possible and that it's not unrealistic."



A LITTLE PIECE OF HISTORY

COUPE DUBONNET

A little over a month ago, two members of staff here at The CG made a discovery of great historical importance to Swindon Town Football Club....



HIDDEN away in the dark, dusty confines of a cupboard deep under the Arkell's Stand, they pulled out a heavy yet ornate piece of metalwork that was believed to be the long-lost Dubonnet Cup. In 1910, Town reached the semi-finals of the FA Cup for the first time in their history, knocking out Tottenham Hotspur and Manchester City en route to a clash with Newcastle United. Unfortunately, on that occasion, the Town were beaten 2-0 and the Magpies went on to lift the famous old trophy. At that time, a French sports enthusiast named Dubonnet developed an idea to inject interest in football in France which involved inviting English teams to play across the Channel. Based on a cup from the British Museum, Monsieur Dubonnet very generously

donated the trophy and all the medals for the first contest to be held in Paris in 1910 between Swindon Town and the beaten FA Cup finalists, Barnsley.

The tour to Paris was organised by the Great Western Railway Company and every member of the travelling party was given an itinerary that detailed departure and arrival times and destinations as well as mealtimes and tea. On a rainy Parisian afternoon at the Parc des Princes stadium, 7,000 supporters turned out to watch. Reports suggest it was an entertaining encounter and the Yorkshire side even missed a penalty after Town's Billy Tout was penalised for handball. Goalkeeper Len Skiller however, managed to keep it out. The iconic Harold Fleming would

steal the show and win the cup for Swindon, netting both of Town's goals in a 2-1 victory.

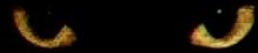
The following year, the cup was won by Clapton Orient whilst the year after that, Fulham were the winners, beating Queens Park Rangers.

Since the original returned to Wiltshire with the victorious Town team over 100 years ago, the trophy had led an interesting life. It went missing sometime in the early 1970s and was eventually recovered from someone's back garden a number of years later. It then disappeared for a second time and was believed to have been lost to the winds of time until last month when it was found at SN1. The grand old trophy will be given a bit of love and care before it is put on display for all to see once again.



▲ The victorious Town team pictured below with and without the trophy.

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LEAGUE ONE TOP FIVES

GOALS

1		ASSOMBALONGA	24
2		BALDOCK	24
3		AGARD	22
4		WILSON	21
5		GARNER	19

ASSISTS

1		PRINGLE	16
2		SAKO	15
3		COX	13
4		EMMANUEL-T...	11
5		GALLAGHER	10

SHOTS ON TARGET

1		DONALDSON	59
2		MOONEY	56
3		WILSON	56
4		BALDOCK	55
5		ASSOMBALONGA	54

MINUTES PER GOAL

1		COULTHIRST	6
2		FOLEY	53
3		STOCKLEY	54
4		MAGUIRE	59
5		LASIMANT	76

% OF GOALS INVOLVED IN

1		BALDOCK	43
2		WESTCARR	41
3		LOWE	40
4		ANEKE	39
5		EMMANUEL-T...	37

MINUTES PER CHANCE CREATED

1		MIKE WEST	24
2		MCLAUGHLIN	63
3		MCFADZEAN	71
4		WESTLAKE	72
5		JONES	90

FOULS

1		HANSON	91
2		FRECKLINGTON	76
3		DONALDSON	72
4		GARNER	72
5		GRIFFITH	72

MINUTES PER GOAL CONCEDED

1		BONHAM	16
2		BURNS	28
3		FLEMING	33
4		MCCLOUGHLIN	35
5		JALAL	36

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LEAGUE ONE SPOTLIGHT

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JEREMY Newton reflects on the success of the 1999 group as they return from the Milk Cup in Northern Ireland.



WE had five games in five days which is physically a big strain on the players as well as mentally but eventually we got through to the Salver Cup and beat Everton 3-1 in the final so that was a good way to end the week.

We had been together for four weeks prior to that and it is a fantastic group of players, the 1999 group. I think at the end of it we underachieved and the expectations were there from the players as well that we should have done a bit better but having said that, we got through to the final and beat Premier League opposition in Everton. The boys deserved to win in the end.

The older ones in the '99 age group are going into the Under-16 year and they have their youth contracts to play for so this is a springboard for them to continue in their development and make sure

they try and get those youth contracts. For the Under-14s, they are going into their Under-15 year so some of them can go back to the Milk Cup next year. For them, it's about taking in the experience of playing tournament football and how to cope with it physically and mentally and making sure they prepare well between games. This year, we took a young one in Luke Hames so he is looking forward to going next year and I think he has learnt a lot and played a lot more game time than I anticipated but that just shows you that he is going to be a very good player in the future.

Everton have actually won the Milk Cup twice in the past four or five years and they have a lot of expectations put on themselves through previous results. We played Everton in the build up to the Milk Cup and we lost heavily,

(albeit we had a man sent off) but it was nice to show them what we are capable of as and when we have our full strength eleven on the field.

The Milk Cup boys have been in for four weeks now and the Academy boys - our Under-7s to Under-16s - are all back in now with our Under-13s going to Holland in three weeks for a big international tournament. It's a tournament that we are looking forward to, competing with some top European clubs and that is another challenge for us and another part of the development for the boys in the programme.

Finally I would like to, again, thank M4 Van Sales Centre and the STFC Supporters Club who have both contributed to the success of the trip.

ACADEMY MANAGER

Jeremy Newton

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Sat Sep 20	Oxford United	Away
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Sat Oct 11	Portsmouth	Home
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DECEMBER

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JANUARY

Sat Jan 10	Newport County	Home
Sat Jan 17	Cheltenham Town	Away

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TEAM:	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
Exeter	16	10	2	4	+20	32
Bristol Rovers	16	9	5	2	+14	32
Plymouth	16	10	1	5	+13	31
Oxford	16	9	3	4	+13	30
Cheltenham	16	8	2	6	+9	26
Bournemouth	16	6	4	6	0	22
SWINDON	16	5	1	10	-12	16
Torquay	16	2	2	12	-26	8
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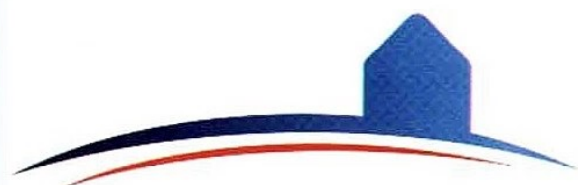


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GOOD afternoon and welcome to a brand new season. On behalf of the ladies, I want to wish Mark Cooper and the First Team squad all the very best for 2014/15.

SWINDON Town Ladies now come under the umbrella of the Football in the Community Trust and will be sponsored for the coming season by Intel. This year we will have an impressive ten sides from Under-10s through to First Team level. A further 200 girls currently play within the STFC Girls Development Programme with the aim of achieving National Women's Premier League status for our first senior team.

It's been an extremely busy summer for Swindon Town Ladies with a change in management, a trip to Sweden for our STFC Girls Centre for Excellence in the Gothia cup and preparation for the upcoming season against strong Premier League opposition.

Steve Robertson has become the new First Team Manager for the Ladies, taking over from Jason Brizzell who now takes charge of our hugely talented Development Squad. Steve has already strengthened the squad for the coming season and has had some impressive results against Welsh Premier League opposition during pre-season, as well as a tough game at high-flying Portsmouth Ladies. These games have given an opportunity for the players to impress for the season and has seen the first two girls progress from the Football in the Community Girls CFFE. Sarah Uzzell and Amy Baines have both had impressive debuts with Uzzell netting her first goal in the Ladies section, which proved to be the winner against Swansea City.

The Girls CFFE have completed their trials and we look forward to welcoming back 80 girls for a pre-season tournament at Wantage where our Under-12s, Under-13s and Under-14s will face male teams to ensure strong opposition for our sides. The CFFE will compete in an elite section programme against the likes of Tottenham Hotspur, Reading and Portsmouth to name a few and they will be looking forward to competing with the best that the South of England can offer as Swindon Town Ladies strive to be one of the best female teams in the region. This has come after a strong performance in the Gothia Cup 2014 from our Under-12s, Under-13s and Under-15s competing against some of the best female opposition in the world.

The First Team and Development Squads face Cardiff City tomorrow (Sunday) at Shrivensham FC with both teams putting their final preparations together for the new season. Town Ladies kick-start their league season on the 24th August against St. Nicholas Ladies who will be tough opponents after two successive promotions and will want to make their mark in the league.

Please come and support the Ladies this year: we play our home games at Cinder Lane (Fairford Town FC) and, hopefully, both our male and female teams will be celebrating promotion at the end of the season.

SHANE HEWLETT
Women & Girls Development Officer



STFC Girls at the Gothia Cup.

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CLIVE Maguire brings you the latest FITC news after an action-packed week of summer holiday courses...

WE got off to a flying start last week on our first holiday development courses of the summer holidays. We were delighted to deliver mainstream courses at Stanley Park in Chippenham, here at STFC and also our multi-sports, par-disability sports programme with 20-plus children with special educational needs and severe physical disabilities. Regarding all the courses, we were delighted to have over 200 participants and we delivered our mainstream course here in Swindon up at Croft as a result of that smouldering fire not allowing us to use the facility at St. Joseph's. We would like to say a huge thank you to Thamesdown Transport who again were on hand to provide us with two double decker buses every morning and every afternoon to enable us to transport our

participants to and from The CG and Croft. Their support is greatly appreciated and they will be our special guests in our community suite this afternoon against Scunthorpe. Shane Hewlett, who led on the Chippenham course with over 70 people taking part, said: "It was an exceptionally enjoyable week with some great talent on show." Shane would like to say a big thank you to Pete Hussey and all the staff at Stanley Park who made us all so welcome.

The three-day, par-disability course which is supported by Aiming High was an excellent three days, with the children joining in with sports such as basketball, uni-hoc, cricket and football to name but a few. It was fantastic to have nine new people who hadn't attended a course before

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joining in with those who are regular attendees on these ever-popular courses. We are delighted that we now have the Dave Turner Memorial Fund in place which will enable us to deliver more of these courses on a regular basis and we very much look forward to Trish Turner, Dave's widow, coming to the presentation ceremony at the next multi-sports course on the 26th, 27th and 28th of August. All the participants last week were over the moon to receive

their goody bag, STFC replica football and their memento medal to take away to remind them of the week. We very much look forward to working with everybody who attended on future courses.

ADVANCED CENTRES...

WE held our first trial of the summer on 28th July with our second one due to take place on the 18th August. These trials are aimed at Under-7 through to Under-14 age groups and

we are anticipating having 125 boys attending these trials. These players are selected from our Soccer Centre programme who have been recognised in displaying good technical ability which, with this advanced coaching could hopefully, lead them onto the pathway of our STFC Academy. We are delighted to be working closely with Jeremy Newton on this programme and Shane Hewlett is determined that hopefully we will get additional players through this project who will one day don the Swindon Town shirt at first team level.

JUNIOR REDS ROOM...

TODAY, we are delighted to be taking over the Junior Reds room where we will be providing staff to entertain the children from 1pm up until kick-off. We are delighted that Julie Page will continue to serve up refreshments to the youngsters and we are hoping that, with the support of our staff, we can encourage more people to come into the room prior to kick-off and also come in at half time to join in the fun.



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GOOD afternoon and welcome to our visitors, Scunthorpe United, who arrive in Swindon after finishing runners-up in League 2 last season.

THEIR fortunes were dramatically turned around halfway through last season when Russ Wilcox took over the managerial reins from Brian Laws and proceeded to take his team on a record 28-game unbeaten run to finish the season in second place. Having secured the League's Manager of the Year award as a consequence, I am sure that Russ is keen to get the new season off to a good start this afternoon.

From our perspective of course, 3 points today in our opening league fixture will be a great way to kick off the new campaign. Pre-season has gone well with the team encountering a number of non-league opponents away from home, alongside some exciting contests against Premiership and Championship teams Southampton, Leeds and an Aston Villa eleven here at Swindon.

The performances against the league opponents have been encouraging with the team enjoying plenty of possession and at no time were we overawed by our illustrious opponents. Michael Smith has notched up five pre-season goals and we hope to see his partnership with Andy Williams, who at 27 years of age is now the senior professional in the team, begin to flourish.

Possibly the most important aspect of pre-season is for the manager to reach the opening matchday with a full set of fit players to choose from, without



unnecessary injuries picked up along the way. Workload and rest time has to be balanced – recovery between games is everything for a professional footballer. I see that if we can add three more players without losing any, then the squad will have a little more strength in depth.

It is good to see Steve Hale installed as the new Head of Goalkeeping at Swindon Town and importantly, to read how diligently he has worked over the years with the Centre of Excellence, Academy and the first team. He's certainly earned the right to be in charge of all the 'keepers at the football club! The goalkeeper is without doubt a specialist position and one of the most difficult positions to play – especially in the modern day era when the 'keeper is expected to cope with all kinds of back passes without being able to pick the ball up (a contrast to

what was permitted in my playing days) and then manoeuvre the ball across his 18-yard box and distribute the ball to one of his outfield defenders who is not under pressure from an opposing forward. Remember Germany with Manuel Neuer played 11 outfield players against 10 during the World Cup. The speed of the 'keeper's decision making is vital of course, as is the ability and confidence to run and dribble with the ball at his feet. Many 'keepers are not so good at this but, having watched Wes Foderingham during 20 odd games last season, I know that he has excellent technique with both his handling of the ball and when the ball is at his feet.

Communication or verbal skills are also vitally important. I remember playing against England goalkeeper Ray Clemence many years ago and he bossed, bullied, cajoled and organised his back four for the entire 90 minutes – it was so very impressive. As a young centre forward I felt so intimidated during the game; a feeling that Clemence and his back four were in total control of every situation. At the end of 90 minutes, most of us supporters will only remember the goals the centre forwards scored or missed and the saves or fumbles made by the goalkeeper!

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R&W looks ahead to Swindon's first away date of the new campaign.

TOWN kick-off the 2014/15 campaign on the road with a visit to Kenilworth Road when they take on Luton Town in the first round of the Capital One Cup next week. The Hatters are back in the Football League having romped to the Skril Premier title last term. Under the guidance of John Still, the Bedfordshire side will be hoping to mark their return to the professional leagues with a higher division scalp in the League Cup. The encounter will be Swindon's first return to Luton since January 2008 when the two sides met in a League One match. Christian Roberts was the difference between the teams, netting the only goal of the game to seal a 1-0 win and all three points for the Town. It will be the first time the teams have met in the League Cup in its many different guises down the years but the last cup encounter between the teams was back in 1988 when Lou Macari's side were beaten 2-1 after extra time in the Simod Cup semi-final at Kenilworth Road. The game may also see a pair of familiar faces take to the field against Swindon in the shape of striker Paul Benson and midfielder Jonathan Smith. The duo both played an active part in Swindon's 2011/12 League Two title-winning campaign.

Full ticket and travel details for Town fans wishing to make the trip to Bedfordshire are available on these pages.



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LUTON TOWN vs SWINDON TOWN (A) CAPRI

Tuesday 12th August, 7.45pm Kick-Off
Kenilworth Road Stadium, LU4 8AW

PRICES:

Adult	£20
Y/Adt 18-22 /O65	£15
Senior O75	£12
U17 £8	U10 £5

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CRAWLEY TOWN vs SWINDON TOWN (A)

Saturday 16th August, 3pm Kick-Off
Checkatrade.com Stadium, RH11 9RX

PRICES:

	Seats:	Terrace:
Adult	£22	£18
Over65	£18	£14
18 and Under	£14	£10
Under 11s	£6	£6

Tickets
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buy online.



GILLINGHAM vs SWINDON TOWN (A)

Tuesday 19th August, 7.45pm Kick-Off
MEMS Priestfield Stadium, ME7 4DD

PRICES:

	Advance:	Matchday:
Adult	£17	£21
Over 65	£15	£19
Under 18	£10	£12
Under 12	£6	£6

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SWINDON TOWN vs CREWE ALEXANDRA (H)

Saturday 23rd August, 3pm Kick-Off
The County Ground

TICKET PRICES: SILVER CATEGORY (See right)

Tickets now on general sale.



SWINDON TOWN vs COVENTRY CITY (H)

Saturday 30th August, 3pm Kick-Off
The County Ground

TICKET PRICES: SILVER CATEGORY (See right)

Tickets now on general sale.



HOME TICKET PRICES

MATCH categories for the 2014/15 season will be announced in advance of each fixture.

GOLD:

	SECS	TEND
Adults:	£27	£20
Concessions:	£19	£15
Young Adults (16-18):	£19	£15
Juniors (15 & Under):	£12	£12
Under 10s	FREE*	

SILVER:

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Concessions:	£19	£15
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Juniors (15 & Under):	£12	£12
Under 10s	FREE*	

BRONZE:

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Juniors (15 & Under):	£10	£10
Under 10s	FREE*	

Adult:

Aged 19-64 on fixture date

Conc. Senior 65:

Aged 65 on fixture date

Conc. Student:

In Full Time Education

Conc. Disabled:

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Young Adult:

Aged 16-18 on fixture date

Juniors Under 16:

Aged 15 or Under on fixture date

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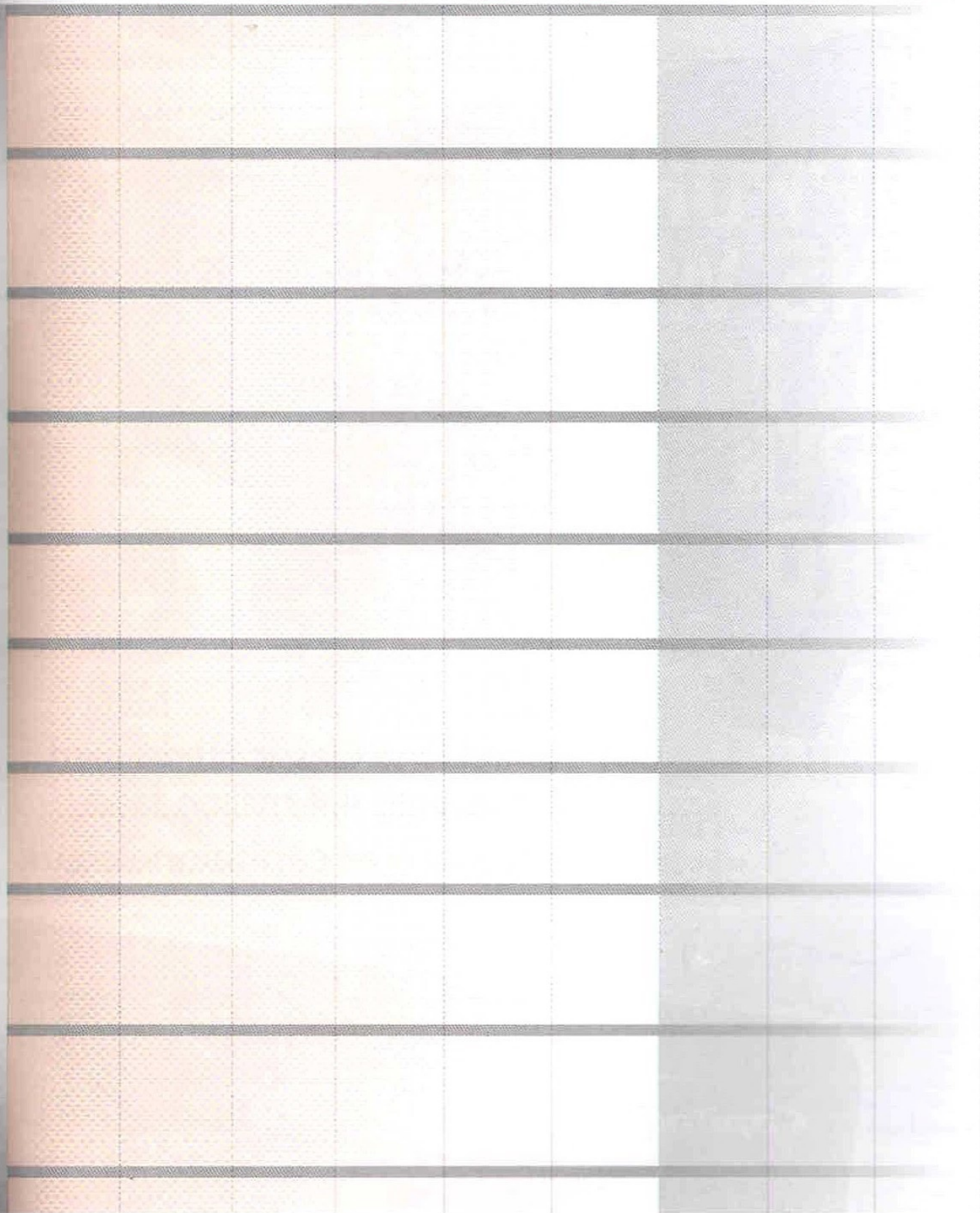
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2014/15 GAME CENTRE

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



		RES	ATT					
AUGUST								
Sat Aug 9	Scunthorpe United	H	3pm					
Tue Aug 12	Luton Town CAP R1	A	7.45pm					
Sat Aug 16	Crawley Town	A	3pm					
Tue Aug 19	Gillingham	A	7.45pm					
Sat Aug 23	Crewe Alexandra	H	3pm					
Sat Aug 30	Coventry City	H	3pm					
SEPTEMBER								
WC Sep 1	JPT R1	TBC						
Sat Sep 6	Chesterfield	A	3pm					
Sat Sep 13	Bradford City	A	3pm					
Tue Sep 16	Oldham Athletic	H	7.45pm					
Sat Sep 20	Sheffield United	H	3pm					
Sat Sep 27	Barnsley	A	3pm					
OCTOBER								
Sat Oct 4	Leyton Orient	A	3pm					
Sat Oct 11	Preston North End	H	3pm					
Sat Oct 18	Yeovil Town	A	3pm					
Tue Oct 21	Rochdale	H	7.45pm					
Sat Oct 25	Colchester United	H	3pm					
NOVEMBER								
Sat Nov 1	Milton Keynes Dons	A	3pm					
Sat Nov 8	FA Cup R1	TBC						
Sat Nov 15	Bristol City	H	3pm					
Sat Nov 22	Peterborough United	A	3pm					
Sat Nov 29	Fleetwood Town	H	3pm					
DECEMBER								
Sat Dec 13	Notts County	A	3pm					
Sat Dec 20	Doncaster Rovers	H	3pm					
Fri Dec 26	Walsall	A	3pm					
Sun Dec 28	Port Vale	H	3pm					
JANUARY								
Sat Jan 3	Fleetwood Town	A	3pm					
Sat Jan 10	Coventry City	A	3pm					
Sat Jan 17	Chesterfield	H	3pm					
Sat Jan 24	Bradford City	H	3pm					
Sat Jan 31	Sheffield United	A	3pm					
FEBRUARY								
Sat Feb 7	Barnsley	H	3pm					
Tue Feb 10	Oldham Athletic	A	7.45pm					
Sat Feb 14	Scunthorpe United	A	3pm					
Sat Feb 21	Crawley Town	H	3pm					
Sat Feb 28	Crewe Alexandra	A	3pm					
MARCH								
Tue Mar 3	Gillingham	H	7.45pm					
Sat Mar 7	Notts County	H	3pm					
Sat Mar 14	Port Vale	A	3pm					
Tue Mar 17	Doncaster Rovers	A	7.45pm					
Sat Mar 21	Walsall	H	3pm					
Sat Mar 28	Colchester United	A	3pm					
APRIL								
Fri Apr 3	Milton Keynes Dons	H	3pm					
Mon Apr 6	Bristol City	A	3pm					
Sat Apr 11	Peterborough United	H	3pm					
Tue Apr 14	Rochdale	A	7.45pm					
Sat Apr 18	Yeovil Town	H	3pm					
Sat Apr 25	Preston North End	A	3pm					
MAY								
Sat May 2	Leyton Orient	H	3pm					



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MATCH FACTS

Swindon picked up 45 of their 66 points at home last season. Only Brentford and Wolves had better home records than the Robins.



MATCH FACTS

Both teams have scored in the last seven meetings between these two teams.



GOALS



AV. GOALS PER GAME



SHOTS (EX. BLOCKED)



% SHOTS ON TARGET



CLEAN SHEETS



% GOALS TO SHOTS



CORNER KICKS



GOALS CONCEDED



AV. GOALS CONCEDED PER GAME



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*Data from 2013/14 league season (including play-offs).



PRESSING MATTERS

TOM OTREBSKI

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GOOD afternoon and welcome to The County Ground as we get the 2014/15 campaign underway.

THIS has been one of those glorious summers where, it seems, football has never been too far away. Usually, where the off-season void has us scratching around for anything to do with the beautiful game, we have had the pleasure of enjoying the greatest show on earth unfold in Brazil before re-focusing our attention back on The County Ground for the new season. So, here we are, barely a month since Mario Gotze wrote himself into the history books and secured a fourth world crown for the Germans, we find ourselves back in the seats that some would call their second home.

Wherever you are reading, I hope you've enjoyed flicking through the new-look matchday programme. We have made a few changes to the design and layout with, among other things, the squad list now re-locating to the front of the programme. I received a number of emails from supporters over the summer asking why we persist with glossy programme covers, on which it is impossible to mark down the team or any changes to the line-up. With that in mind, we've come up with a page which should hopefully solve that issue. One of the other new additions I'd like to mention briefly is our new "50s in Focus" feature. The 1950s is one of those eras that I feel gets rather neglected in the grand scheme of things at this football club and I am on a one-man crusade to prove that Swindon Town's history does not



"Staff here at The CG discovered the Dubonnet Cup hidden in a cupboard in the Arkell's Stand."

start at 1969! It may not have been studded with success but, as I'm sure you'll discover, the 50s was a decade packed with landmark events.

Speaking of landmark events, you may have seen over the summer that, after years of myth and legend, staff here at The CG discovered the Dubonnet Cup hidden in a cupboard in the Arkell's Stand. For more information about the cup and its history, turn to page 62 of this programme. Suffice to say, it

was an extremely exciting and proud moment for this football club. Having heard stories of its demise, it's quite astonishing that it's simply been hidden away all these years. Once it's cleaned up, it will take pride of place in the trophy cabinets upstairs.

Back to the present and Scunthorpe United are the visitors today. I must confess that I'm always one of these people that reads far too much into the opening day of the season - will today see a Super Sammy Parkin hat-trick kind of afternoon, a Colin Todd-style disallowed-goal-and-draw afternoon, or a return of Gordon Greer, home reverse to Brighton kind of afternoon?

Enjoy the game.

TOM OTREBSKI
Club Press Officer



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