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Adam El-Abd 34	32	Jay Fulton
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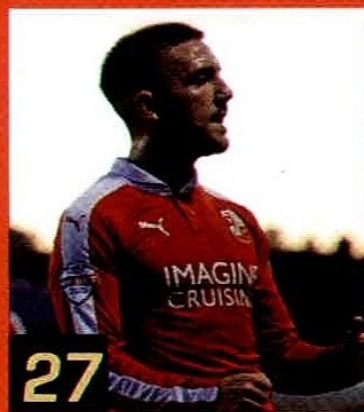
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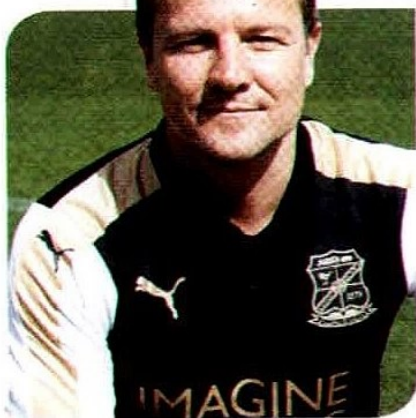


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MARK COOPER

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Good evening and welcome back to the County Ground for tonight's fixture with Oldham Athletic. I would like to welcome David Dunn, his players and his staff to Wiltshire.

We're trying to keep the players upbeat but it's difficult when you've got that many people unavailable and we've lost a few games. But it's my job to try and keep them up, try and make sure the discipline is right and make sure they know what's expected of them. The biggest problem has actually been trying to not get any more injuries. So training at an intensity where we can keep the players conditioned but not lose anyone else. It seems as though every time we go onto the training pitch doing the smallest thing we pick up an injury so it's just one of those spells and one of those things that happens. We have to just try and steer the ship through it and come out the other side. The busiest man at the football club is the physio at the moment. He's got a football team on his own to take for treatment and rehabilitation. He's never seen anything like it. We're not just talking about one or two bumps and bruises, we're talking about eleven or twelve of our main players unavailable for months at a time which is impossible to recover from but the boys that are playing have got to stand up, take their chance and do the best they can.

On paper you could argue that tonight's game is going to be fairly even because of the run Oldham are on at the minute themselves. But the game isn't



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played on paper, of course it's played on grass and David Dunn will be trying to get them to play. He was a brilliant footballer himself and it will be a difficult game with the players we have out injured but we need something to cling on to. We need to tread water until we get our frontline players back. I'm sure David will be desperate to do well. He'll know what he's doing and will know what he wants but we just have to look after ourselves.

Oldham will come here and see what we've got missing and fancy their chances like most teams at the minute. I'm sure Millwall were rubbing their hands together before the weekend when they saw what we had out. It's a tough time at

the minute we need everyone to close ranks and pull together - that's the staff, the players and, most importantly, the supporters because these young players that are having to play at the moment need some support and help and they need the Town fans to get behind them. Once we get through this period and we get everybody back, there's no reason why we can't have a good season. Please just get behind the players because they're in desperate need of it.

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Mark Cooper
MANAGER

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FROM THE TOP

Good evening and welcome to this evening's fixture with Oldham Athletic.

Last weekend's result against Peterborough was disappointing but it was a game we should have won. I would like to stress that these notes are being written before Saturday's trip to Millwall but it's just not happening for us on the pitch at the minute. I'd like to welcome Ben Gladwin back to the County Ground for a short spell on loan - he looked amazing against the Posh. Even though he was lacking in match fitness the way he came through the game showed the calibre of player he is. I'd also like to welcome Adam El-Abd. He looked strong in defence and hopefully he can forge a partnership at the

back with Rapha Branco during his stay at SN1. His experience is perhaps what we needed to help settle this young group of players.

It's good to see Jordan Stewart back and focused on his football again. We all know that it hasn't been easy for him over the past few weeks after leaving his friends and family in Northern Ireland. But we're pleased to see him grabbing this opportunity with both hands and particularly pleased that he managed to get on the scoresheet in the development game last week. Hopefully he can carry that form into the first team in the

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coming weeks.

Today, I have been taking part in the club's golf day at Bowood titled A Game of Two Halves. Hopefully it's been a successful day. I would like to thank our sponsors for taking part and extend a special note of thanks to Bowood for their hospitality.

Enjoy tonight's game and see you back here on Saturday for the visit of Coventry.

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GENERAL MANAGER





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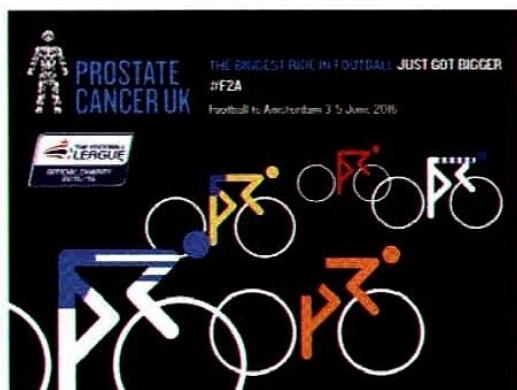
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Dust off those bikes, squeeze into some unflattering lycra and get your helmet on to represent Town and Prostate Cancer UK's Men United in Europe on 3-5 June 2016 for a 145 mile cycle ride in conjunction with The Football League.



Formerly known as the London to Amsterdam - 2016's challenge is getting a makeover. In an exciting new development, the charity ride will consist of two start locations to become the all-inclusive Football to Amsterdam.

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In 2016, there are two start locations:

- Set off from Barnsley FC's Oakwell Stadium - home of the Tykes since 1888.
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Last year's event was a sell out with more than 250 riders - including former international trio Terry Butcher, Matt Holland and Luther Blissett, together with Preston North End boss Simon Grayson.

Yorkshireman Grayson is making no promises, but there's strong suspicion that he'll be back in the saddle:

He said: "I think it's brilliant that the ride will cater for football teams both in the north and the south. It will make it easier for northerners like us to get our bikes over to the start point - although I hear the northern leg's terrain is much hillier!"

In 2015, the collective Men United squad raised a whopping £350,000 for Prostate Cancer UK, an amount which will go a long way in helping men who are affected by the disease and crucially pave the way for new research and treatments.

Registration fee is £149. Each rider will pledge to raise a minimum of £1,000 in sponsorship to help fight back against a disease that affects one in eight men in the UK.

TOWN SIGN LOAN DUO



Town have signed Bristol City defender, Adam El-Abd on an emergency loan until January and Ben Gladwin on a 28-day emergency loan from Queens Park Rangers.

El-Abd, an Egyptian international, spent last term on loan at Bury and, before moving to Ashton Gate in 2014, enjoyed 11 years with Brighton & Hove Albion.

Adam will wear the number 34 during his time at SN1.

Gladwin departed the County Ground in the summer after an impressive season for Swindon last term. The midfielder joined Town from non-league outfit, Marlow in 2013 and made over 50 appearances at SN1.

Ben will wear squad number 17 during his loan stint at the CG.

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CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

Good evening and welcome back to the County Ground for this evening's fixture against Oldham. With these notes going to print before the Millwall game, here's hoping we can put an end to our current run.



The past month or so has been extremely frustrating. Not just because of the results but because of the injuries we've picked up. One of the biggest reasons for success last year was the consistency of our match-day squad, so with the enforced changes the gaffer is having to make, it's certainly not helping our current situation. As I have alluded to in previous notes, players look to form relationships and link-ups on the pitch, so to not be able to build these due to so many injuries is exasperating.

However, our recent performance against Peterborough was certainly an improvement. We were able to welcome Ben Gladwin back and instantly we saw why he is at a

Championship club. He is one of the most technically gifted players I've played with and the way he is able to create half a yard for himself, whether that is to shoot or deliver a pass, will certainly help us improve over the next month.

I felt as though we certainly deserved at least a point against Peterborough but sometimes when you're on a run like this, those small margins go against you. What's important is that we move on from it and approach our next game with a clean slate.

Finally, I would like to put on record how important Lawrence Vigouroux has been for us this season. When Wes left, I'll be honest, I didn't think we'd find

"...Lawrence has shown he has the potential to play in the Premier League. One of the best shot-stoppers outside the top division, he has kept us in numerous games this season."

a goalkeeper that could come close to his ability that would play at this level. However, in the opening couple of months of this season, Lawrence has shown he has the potential to play in the Premier League. One of the best shot-stoppers outside the top division, he has kept us in numerous games this season. At Swindon, we ask our 'keepers to take risks in order for us to play the way we do. Occasionally mistakes will happen. But, I can assure you, over the course of the season he will win us 10 times more points than he will cost us - and that's a trade-off I'd certainly accept.

Hope you enjoy the game,

Nathan Thompson
TEAM CAPTAIN

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THE VISITORS

OLDHAM A

Having been stung by the 'new manager effect' last time out against Posh, Town will be hoping for a change of fortunes against the Latics who have recently ushered in a new management era at Boundary Park...

At the time of writing, David Dunn's reign at Oldham reads played one, lost one with a trip to Sheffield United last Saturday still to come and no doubt the new man in charge will be hoping his side have ended a winless run that stretches back to August before taking on Town at the CG this evening.

Under Lee Johnson, the Latics made a shaky start to last season. They had to wait until August to taste their first success: a 2-0 win at Doncaster

Rovers. That was the catalyst for a run of form that saw them go unbeaten until the start of November when a trip to Ashton Gate ended the sequence with a 1-0 defeat at the hands of Bristol City. Even then, Oldham would not lose again in the league until mid-December when they were humbled at home by Yeovil Town 4-0 before going to MK Dons and conceding seven without reply. Despite the wobble, the Latics recovered to

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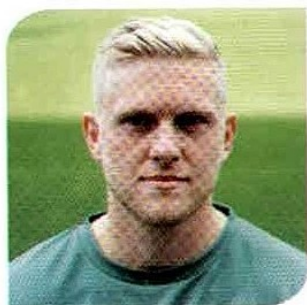
LEE CROFT

win four of their next seven, the last of those a 2-1 success over the Town at Boundary Park. By this stage, Johnson's exploits with Oldham had attracted the attentions of other clubs and in late February, he left to take the reins at Barnsley with Dean Holden named as his replacement until the end of the season. After a 15-placed finish last term, Darren Kelly was appointed manager with Holden taking up the role of his assistant. Kelly would last until the middle of September. After a 5-1 home defeat

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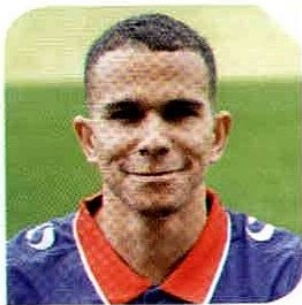
to then-managerless Peterborough and having won just once all season, he was relieved of his duties. David Dunn - who had only joined in the summer as a player - was installed as caretaker manager. After four draws in temporary charge, the former Blackburn and Birmingham midfielder was given the job on a permanent basis.

THE VISITORS



DAVID CORNELL

A Welsh international with ten caps to his name, Cornell made his professional debut for Swansea City in August 2009. He put pen to paper on a deal that would keep him at the Liberty Stadium until the summer of 2015, a contract that was later extended. After that first campaign that saw him named on the bench in 45 of the Swans' 46 games that season, he has since spent time with Hereford United, St Mirren and Portsmouth before signing for Oldham in the summer.



CONNOR BROWN

Brown is a graduate of the youth ranks at Sheffield United and signed for Oldham from the Blades in the summer of 2012. He has gone on to rack up nearly 100 appearances for the Latics and had a spell on loan with Carlisle United last term. A no-nonsense full-back, Brown is also blessed with pace and has been a regular fixture in the Latics' defence this term.



JAMES WILSON

The defender came through the ranks at Bristol City, making over 30 appearances during his time at Ashton Gate. After two separate loan stints with Brentford and a month on loan at Cheltenham, Wilson put pen to paper on a deal with Oldham at the end of the January 2014 transfer window. A strong and athletic centre-half, he has made 13 appearances for Wales at all levels.



JONATHAN BURN

The 20-year old is currently on loan at Boundary Park from Middlesbrough. Having taken part in 'Boro's pre-season tour over the summer, he was sent out on loan to gain first team experience and will remain with the Latics until January 2016. Has made 11 appearances since moving to Lancashire and netted Oldham's equaliser at Doncaster last month.



LIAM KELLY

A Scotland international at senior and junior level, Kelly is the club captain at Oldham. Having progressed through the youth ranks at Scottish Premiership side, Kilmarnock the midfielder would go on to make over 100 appearances at Rugby Park before joining Bristol City in January 2013. A fans' favourite, the tough-tackling midfielder moved to Oldham in June 2014. Recently returned to action after a spell out injured.



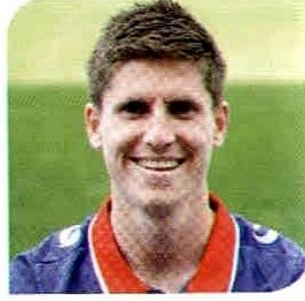
LEE CROFT

The experienced midfielder re-joined Oldham in the summer after a spell with St. Johnstone north of the border. Croft started his career with Manchester City and had his first spell on loan with the Latics during the 2004/05 season, the first of two loan stints he would have at Boundary Park. His next destination was Norwich, where he made over 130 appearances for the Canaries before moving on to Derby, also spending time on loan at Huddersfield.



MIKE JONES

The current holder of Oldham's Players' Player of the Year Award, the wide man brings pace and trickery to the Latics' attacking unit. Having started his career at Tranmere Rovers, Jones then went on to ply his trade for Shrewsbury Town, Bury, Sheffield Wednesday and, most recently, Crawley Town. He spent two seasons with the Sussex side before joining Athletic in the summer of 2014. Jones netted seven goals last term.



DANNY PHILLISKIRK

A former Chelsea youngster, Philliskirk would captain the Blues' youth side in the 2008/09 season before turning out for the club's reserve team. Before that, however, he had started his career in the youth ranks at Oldham - his hometown club - before moving to Stamford Bridge in 2007. After moving to Sheffield United, the striker couldn't break into the first team at Bramall Lane so joined Coventry City. Re-signed for the Latics in 2013 scored six goals last term.

JOEL COLEMAN

A graduate of the youth ranks at Boundary Park, Coleman made his professional debut last term against MK Dons. Was a regular fixture for the Latics for the remainder of last season and started this campaign between the sticks.

TIMOTHEE DIENG

Started his career with Stade Brest in France. Would only make a handful of appearances before going out on loan to Swiss side, Grasshoppers Zurich. Joined the Latics on a free transfer in the summer of 2014 and made 26 appearances last term.

CARL WINCHESTER

A Northern Ireland international, Winchester is a graduate of the academy at Oldham. A versatile member of the squad, he has played on the right flank as well as in central midfield. Was voted the club's Young Player of the Year and Player of the Year last season.

BRIAN WILSON

A highly experienced defender, Wilson is a former captain of Colchester United, joining the Latics in the summer. After starting out at Stoke City, he has racked up over 350 appearances for the Potters, Cheltenham Town, Bristol City and Colchester.

**DANIEL LAFFERTY**

The on-loan Burnley defender started his career with Glasgow giants, Celtic. He spent time on loan with Ayr United in the Scottish lower leagues before moving to Derry City. He was snapped up by the Clarets in January 2012 and made one substitute appearance for the Turf Moor outfit in the Premier League last term before spending the latter part of the season on loan at Rotherham United in the Championship.

**MICHAEL HIGDON**

Currently on loan at Boundary Park, Higdon started his career with Crewe Alexandra before going on to enjoy prolific spells with clubs in Scotland. He scored goals for Falkirk, St. Mirren and Motherwell, his exploits with the latter earning a move to the Dutch Eredivisie with NEC Nijmegen. After just one season on the continent, he joined Sheffield United last summer. Since moving to Oldham, at the time of writing, he already has two goals to his name.

DOMINIC POLEON

DANGER MAN

R&W takes a closer look at one of the attacking talents that Town will have to keep a close eye on this afternoon.

After being snapped up by Yorkshire giants, Leeds United as a youngster, Poleon would graduate from the youth ranks into the first team, making his bow as a substitute against Shrewsbury Town in a Capital One Cup tie in August 2012. A month later, he netted his first senior goal – a strike that turned out to be the winner for Leeds against Nottingham Forest at Elland Road. Was then sent out on loan to Bury where he scored twice in eight appearances before returning to Yorkshire. He spent the bulk of the rest of that season on loan at Bramall Lane but failed to find the net for the Blades. When he returned, he scored again for Leeds, this time in a win at Watford. The following campaign, he scored twice in 23 outings for the Whites. On Transfer Deadline Day in August 2014, he joined the Latics on a permanent deal. He scored six goals for Oldham last season and, at the time of writing, has already found the net three times this term.



RICHARD ECKERSLEY

The former Manchester United trainee was on trial at SN1 earlier this summer after leaving MLS side, New York Red Bulls. Had also pined his trade Stateside with Toronto FC and has also enjoyed loan stints with the like of Bury and Bradford.

CAMERON DUMMIGAN

The young defender is currently on loan at Boundary Park from Burnley. Started his career in his native Northern Ireland and has been capped by his country at Under-17, Under-19 and Under-21 level.

MARK YEATES

Formerly on the books at Tottenham Hotspur, the midfielder enjoyed a brief loan stint at SN1 in 2004. Has since gone on to ply his trade for a number of league clubs most notable Colchester, Sheffield United and Watford. Was most recently with Bradford City.

JAY FULTON

The 21-year-old started his career with Falkirk, breaking through at a young age before going on to make over 100 appearances for the Bairns. Snapped up by Swansea in January 2014, Fulton has only made a handful of appearances for the Swans and is currently on loan at Oldham.



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"...he has made nine appearances for the Latics and was recently appointed manager on a permanent basis after a short spell in temporary charge following the departure of Darren Kelly..."

July. In his second spell at Ewood Park, he rediscovered his goalscoring touch, netting 20 league goals from midfield. So far this term, he has made nine appearances for the Latics and was recently appointed manager on a permanent basis after a short spell in temporary charge following the departure of Darren Kelly - Dunn's first managerial role.



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Scouting Report

The Latics have set out in a number of formations since David Dunn took over so it's fair to say that he is still trying to find the system that works best for his side. Their last formation (at the time of writing) was a 4-4-2. Michael Higdon, who is on loan from Sheffield United, hit the ground running with two goals in his opening three games for Oldham. While he fits the bill of a traditional target man, Dominic Poleon, his partner in attack, is someone that Town will need to keep an eye on. Danny Philliskirk plays in the 'number 10' role and will aim to get beyond and around Higdon to play off him. Lee Croft and former Town loanee, Mark Yeates are the Latics' creative outlets in the wide areas.


PROGRAMME VAULT

This encounter between two of the Second Division's promotion hopefuls saw Town climb to third in the table after a 3-2 victory. Alan McLoughlin and Steve White put Town in control before Scott McGarvey reduced the deficit. 'Chalky' restored Swindon's two-goal advantage inside the final ten minutes but Neil Adams gave Oldham the last word, adding another for the visitors late on.

MATCH ACTION
by Dave Owen



What a happy start we made in the New Year standing 2-0 win at Vicarage Road



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PAUL BODIN	3		3	ANDY BARLOW
ALAN McLOUGHLIN	4		4	NICK HENRY
COLIN CALDERWOOD	5		5	IAN MARSHALL
JON GITTENS	6		6	EARL BARRETT
TOMMY JONES	7		7	NEIL ADAMS
STEVE WHITE	8		8	ROGER PALMER
DUNCAN SHEARER	9		9	SCOTT McGARVEY
ROSS MACLAREN	10		10	MIKE MILLIGAN
STEVE FOLEY	11		11	RICK HOLDEN
DAVE HOCKADAY	12		12	GARY WILLIAMS
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COMMERCIAL UPDATE



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Good evening. These notes were written before Saturday's game so hopefully we will be looking to secure our second win on the bounce when we face the Latics tonight.



Today has been a busy one for us commercially as we have hosted a 'Game of Two Halves', our first golf day for a number of years. Thank you to the ten teams that have supported us with this event. We hope the day has been a great success and you have all enjoyed your round of golf at Bowood – a championship course – and are looking forward to hospitality in our 1879 Sponsors' Suite, followed by what we hope will be an entertaining game under the lights. We will be presenting prizes to the best individual and to the first, second and third-placed teams. Thank you to David M. Coe Financial Planning, PUMA, Foremost Golf, Centerplate, Inn Bru and Bowood Hotel, Spa and Golf Resort for supporting us with prizes and to CopyColor who have provided signage at the event. Finally, thank you to the legendary Don Rogers for providing the coveted trophy for today's winning team.

Mascot packages continue to sell very well. Hospitality days out here at the

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As a commercial team we are always on the lookout for new business relationships, be they large or small. We now have our new sponsorship and advertising brochure available to send

to you. We can follow this up with an appointment or, even better, join us for a tour of the ground and facilities. Once again, we are able to tailor a package that works for you with your budgets considered. To book a tour, get in contact with one of the commercial team to see how best we can work together. With a programme readership of 6,000 per game and with a seasonal audience of 180,000 we have a great platform to promote you and your services.

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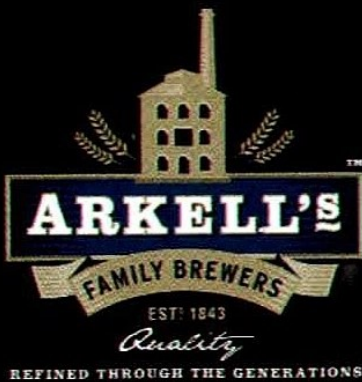
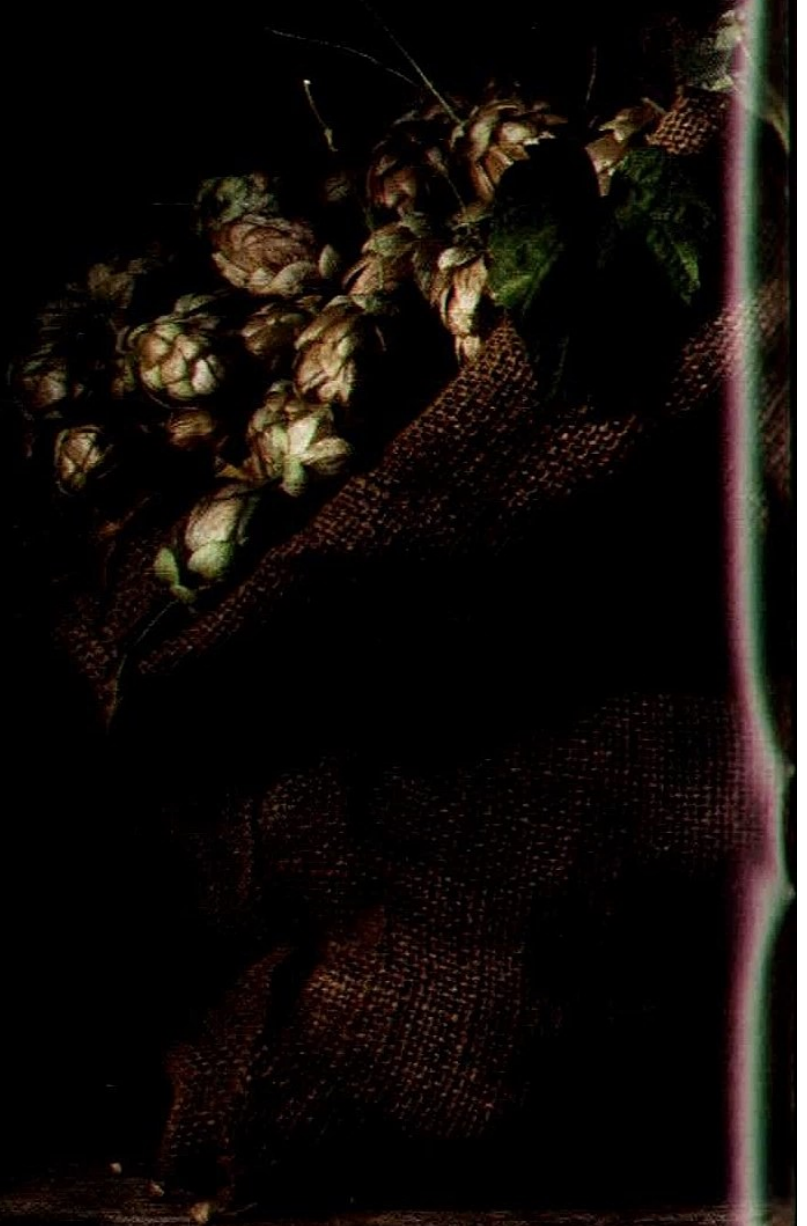
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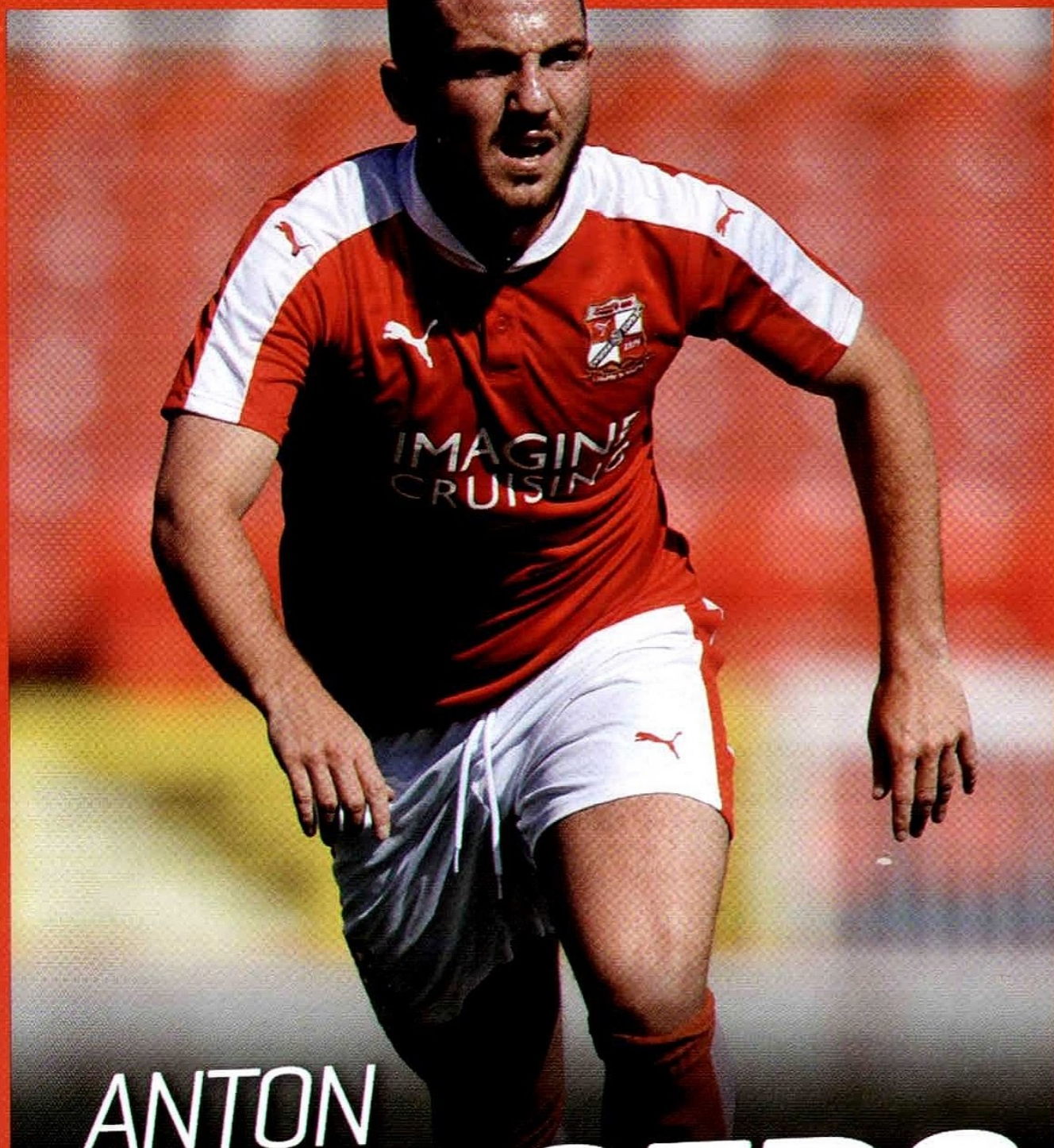
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After playing a supporting role to the central cast at SN1 last term, the midfielder is enjoying being centre-stage so far this season...



It's no secret that Town haven't been having things their own way of late but what's the mood like in the camp at the moment?

There is very much a togetherness within the group. Obviously we've got ourselves in this position but it's just about reinforcing that we stick together like we have done and stick to what we are good at. We know as a team what our strengths are and we need to just stay strong, keep to them and turn this bad form round.

Personally it's been quite a good season for you. You've made a lot more appearances than at this point last term?

Yes, it's been a good start so I've just got to look at carrying it on, show good, consistent form, keep my head down, work hard and do my best for the team.

Do you feel you've developed or improved as a player with this run of games?

Yeah for sure. You're always

learning. We are going through a difficult spell at the minute so it's a different experience taking what you can from it and turning that into positive experiences and results. I've enjoyed it and I am going to keep enjoying it.

You have had a few different midfield partners so far this season too...

It is a squad game and everyone is going to get their chance. It's good playing with different players and the kind of midfielders we get at Swindon are a certain type but I like to think that we can all play together and perform well.

One of those midfielders who has recently returned on loan is someone that you know very well...

Yeah he is! We've got a good little car school going on now which is good for me! He is a good friend of mine which means we have a good partnership where I can look to

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set him up and play well. I think with our combinations we can help the team as much as we can. My strengths are playing through lines and Ben would look to create that so, hopefully, we can create that in the game as well. He is buzzing about being back hopefully we can get him on the score sheet.

Against Peterborough it almost seemed as if he'd never been away?

He is quality. He is so good it's near enough too easy for him. The boys have welcomed him back in and that's down to his quality and what a good lad he is.

What was the mood like in the build up to Millwall. Has it still been positive and upbeat in training despite the run?

We had a couple of good sessions and the other boys had a good result in the development game. The boys know we've got to stick together - we can't dwell on it or sulk about it. It is what it



ANTON RODGERS



is and it's up to us to get ourselves out of it.

The management have deployed a couple of different formations so far this season. Has that affected the way you play or do you simply slot into the system?

Not really - you are there to do a job. The Gaffer has had to set it up in different ways and it's up to us as players to implement that the best we can but I would like to think that any job I'm asked to do I will do it to the best of my abilities. I felt I have done that. It's important that we keep doing more and push ourselves. This is where we test ourselves - it's not when you get into Play-Off Finals and it's all going well. There were times we all had to stick together last season and it's a new group and we need to do the same: stick together and things will turn for us.

You talk about the new group. What you've experienced with this season's crop and last season's group, do you draw any comparisons between the two?

Yeah of course. It's a young, hungry group that wants to do well which is the same as last season. Yes, we were doing well last season but we were set up differently. As I say, they are hungry so we just have to stick together, see what the Gaffer wants us to do and implement that the best we can.

Oldham will be coming to the County Ground tonight with the new manager in charge. Are they going to be a difficult team to break down?

Yes it will be tough, like every game and team

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because you can't pick your points as such. They were brilliant with me when I was there, they are always a hard-working team, they are a hard team to play against and tactically they are structured well so yes, it will be another tough game but hopefully we are looking to turn our form and get back-to-back wins.

Do you look back on your time at Oldham with a deal of fondness?

Yeah it was a good time. I gained plenty of good and bad experiences. I did enjoy my time there - they were brilliant with me and I loved it.

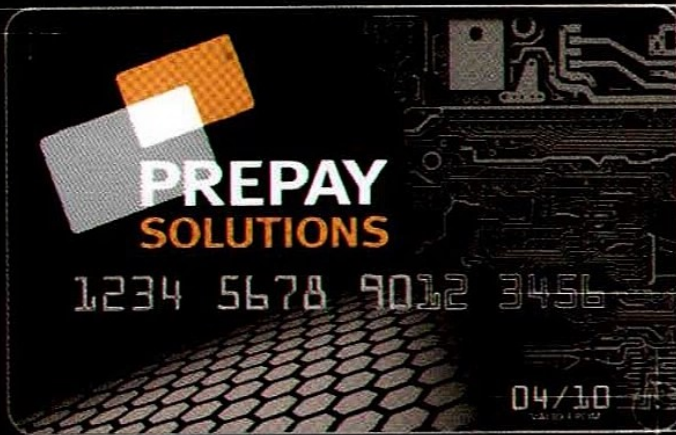
Do you still keep in touch with anyone from the club?

I still keep in touch with a few of the lads: Connor Brown and Danny Philliskirk but it's been a couple of seasons and they've had a few changes since then but they are all good lads.

You will be keeping those sentiments to one side tonight though?

Yes for sure. We need the win but they need to win just as much so we just need to concentrate on our performances and make sure we stick to what we are good at and get the results.





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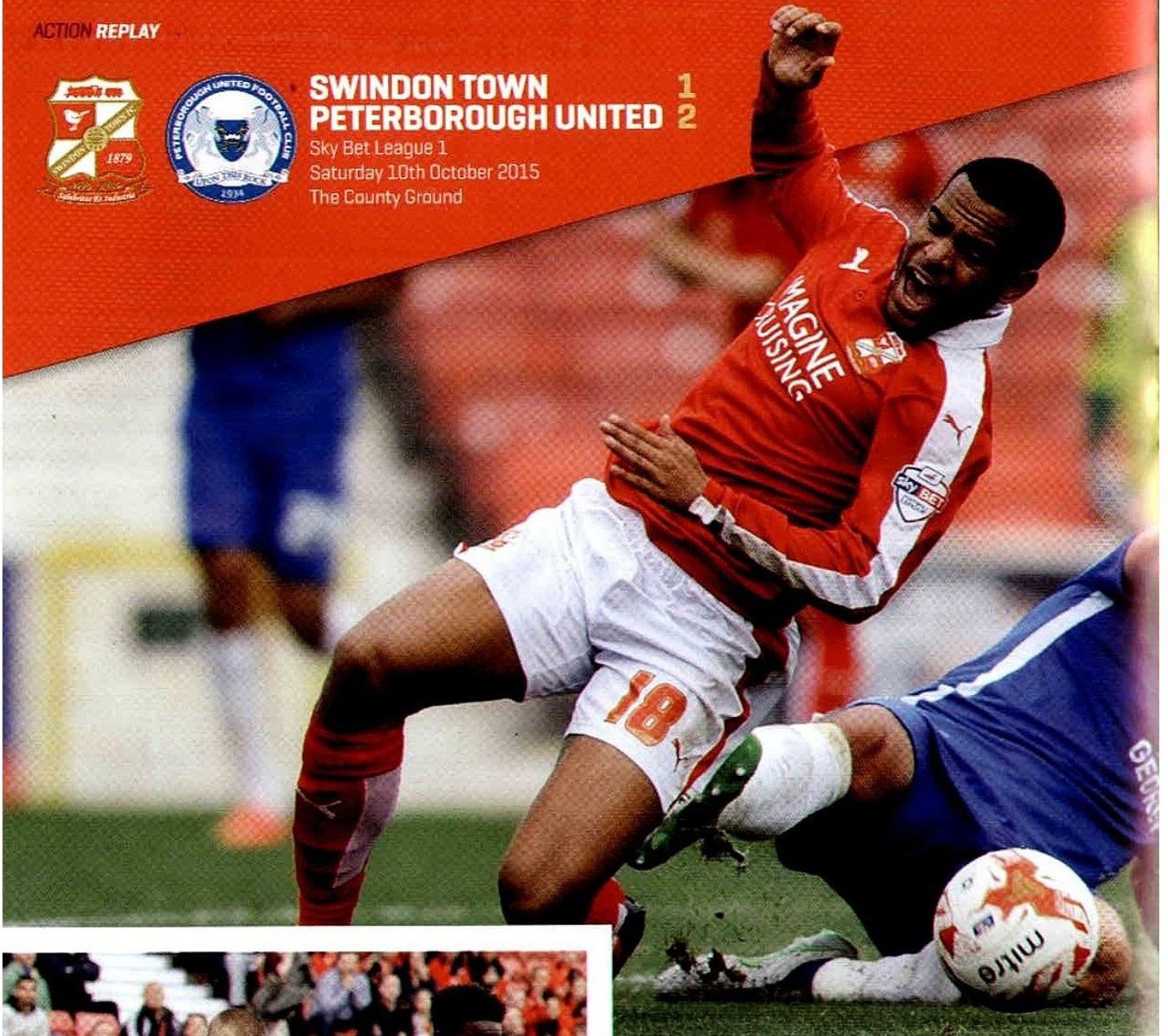


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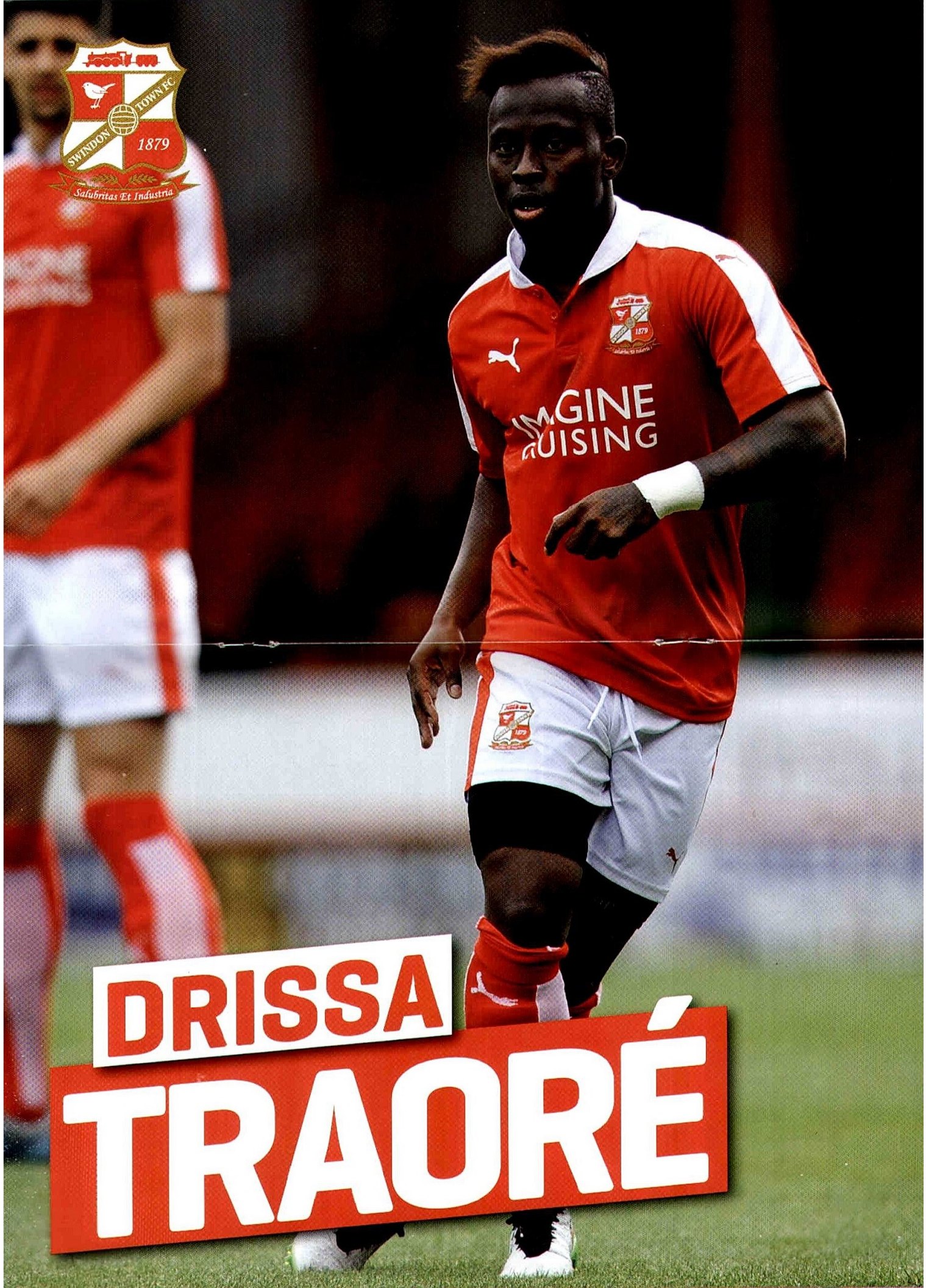
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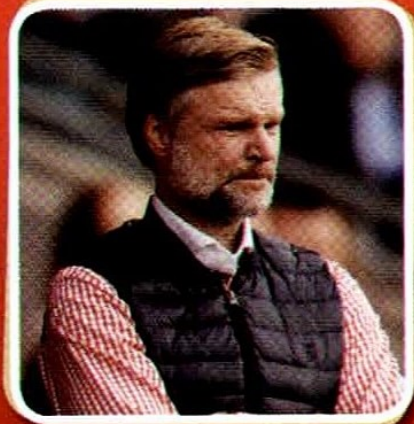
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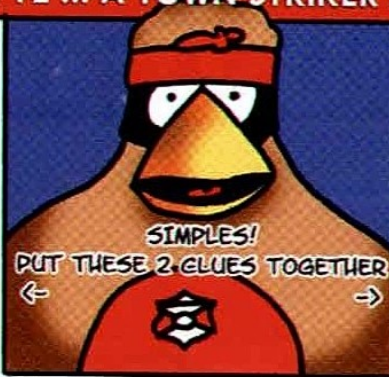
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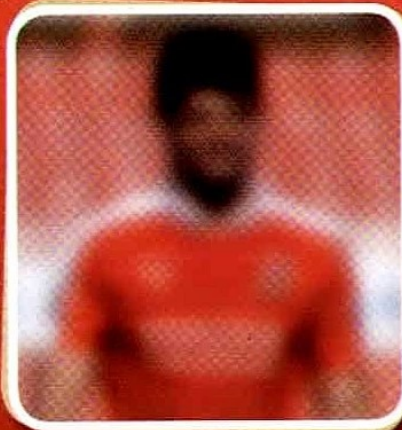
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This weekend against Coventry we have a genuine legend as our guest in Sam Burton attending. He is now 89 and has some excellent tales about his 500-plus games - he should have written a book. He will be on the pitch to do the 50/50 draw at halftime so please give him a warm welcome.

We are continuing to support the academy and look forward the FA Youth Cup starting in the near future.

Poor Mavis is struggling with her Pounds for Points at the moment. Albeit it's not her fault, she would like a few more members to build it up again. Just contact her for details.

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Division Three, 26 October 1968

"...the visitors grabbed both points with five minutes left when Roger Smart nipped in front of the keeper to head home..."



Roger Smart

There is very little between today's two sides in the table, whereas when they met at Boundary Park 47 years ago next week, they were at opposite ends - Town at the top and the Latics on the bottom.

Oldham had just one win from their 14 League games, while Swindon were looking to record their sixth successive victory.

Bristolian David 'Dickie' Down led the home attack. Signed earlier in the month from Bradford Park Avenue, he would come to the County Ground ten months later. Billy Molyneux was making his home debut in goal after David Best had been sold to Ipswich.

With broken arm victim John Trollope on the long-term injury list, Joe Butler continued at full-back - Willie Penman again operating in midfield.

Skipper Stan Harland had an early chance to put the visitors

ahead when he latched on to a neat free-kick from John Smith.

But his effort bounced just the wrong side of the upright.

And it was a home defender who opened the scoring on 28 minutes.

Keith Bebbington's free-kick from just outside the area only went as far as Smith, who charged the ball down. With the Town defence seeming slow to act, right-back Jim Bowie fired the ball past an unsusighted Peter Downsborough and just inside the far post.

But Swindon wasted little time in getting on terms. Just three minutes later, winger Don Heath - who would join Oldham in July 1970 - drilled his way through to beat Molyneux for his first goal of the season.

On the other flank, Don Rogers put Swindon ahead on 68 minutes after being put


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Man of the Moment



Billy Molyneux

N'W. born Billy Molyneux with father... (text is small and partially illegible)


THE MATCH... (text is small and partially illegible)

through by Peter Noble. But Bebbington popped up to level the scores with ten minutes remaining, hitting home first time following a miscued header from Butler. However, the visitors grabbed both points with five minutes left when Roger Smart nipped in front of the keeper to head home a cross from Heath.





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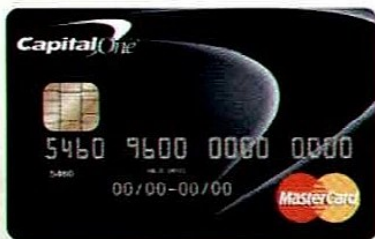
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MATCH FACTS

The Robins are without a win in four home games against Oldham, drawing two and losing two.



MATCH FACTS

The Latics have lost just one of their last eight games against Swindon (W5 D2).



GOALS



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% GOALS TO SHOTS



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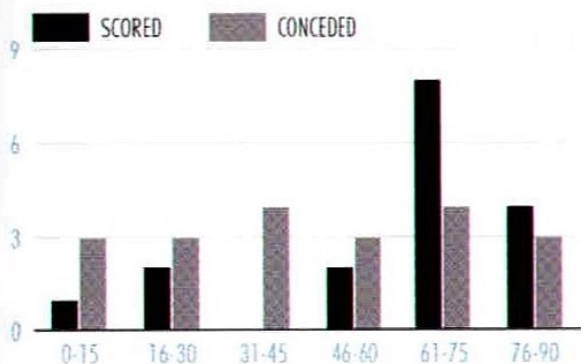


AV. GOALS CONCEDED PER GAME



FOULS

GOAL TIMES



GOAL TIMES



*Data doesn't include games played on Oct 16-19



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“PAUL BODIN THEN PROFITED FROM A SPOT OF PINBALL IN THE BOX, DRIVING HOME THE LOOSE BALL TO NUDGE TOWN BACK IN FRONT.”

Town's next opponents at the County Ground were second-placed Crewe Alexandra, their closest challengers for Division Two's top spot. After Shaun Taylor's first-half header was disallowed, the hosts took the lead after the interval. Some neat interplay on the right saw the ball fed across to the far post where Wayne Allison was on hand to plant a header into the far corner. Steve Garvey levelled matters with a brilliantly taken goal: he skipped into the box before picking out the top corner of Digby's net with a left-footed drive. With minutes left to play, Steve McMahon's men clinched all three points: Steve Finney was hacked down in the box. He stepped up and just managed to squeeze his spot-kick past the diving Mark Gayle.



1995/96

TOWN MAINTAINED THEIR PUSH FOR PROMOTION AS THE 1995/96 SEASON MOVED INTO OCTOBER...



Having seen a header disallowed the last time out, Shaun Taylor was not to be denied in Town's next outing against Notts County at Meadow Lane as he rose highest to head home an early corner. Before the break, Andy Legg slid in at the far post to equalise for the hosts. Paul Bodin then profited from a spot of pinball in the box, driving home the loose ball to nudge Town back in front. You could have been forgiven for experiencing a sense of Déjà vu when Taylor popped up again in the second half to repeat the feat he had achieved in the first, arriving at precisely the right time to thunder home another header from a corner.

The month of October ended with a trip to Bournemouth. On a foggy Halloween evening, the two sides played out a goalless draw by the seaside. "We didn't show our best form at Dean Court we know," lamented McMahon in his next set of programme notes. "We were put under a lot of pressure and it is just one of those things that everyone can't be up to scratch every week." No doubt the manager would have been hoping for better in his side's next game against Blackpool, another of the division's high-flyers.

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It's great to see Jordan Stewart back at the club, especially as we are his Kit Sponsors for the season. We've not had much of a chance to see him in action as yet but anyone that saw the YouTube showreel from his Glentoran days will be able to see that he is a very exciting player and we truly hope that he settles in and goes on to become a huge success at Swindon Town. Good Luck Jordan, the fans are all behind you!

On a more general note - and we're in danger of repeating ourselves here - we have to stay patient and get behind the boys as best we can. Supporters play a massive role when the chips are down and, in many ways, we often get to decide the fate of our team. If we are on their backs and creating a negative vibe, it's hard to imagine a win but if we can each do our

bit and get an encouraging atmosphere going, then we're far more likely to see a positive outcome.

Football can be crazy at times, but the tide has to turn at some point and we are long overdue some good fortune. Let's hope it starts today.

The last home game saw many of you pick up your TrustSTFC 1879-inspired shirts that are just one of the membership benefits that we offer. Many people have asked but they are not available for general sale and that means anyone wearing one of these shirts or sporting a badge, is a supporter of the Red Army Fund that will prove so crucial to our work as we move ahead over the coming years.

The shirts themselves are made by a local company called Silverback Sport and

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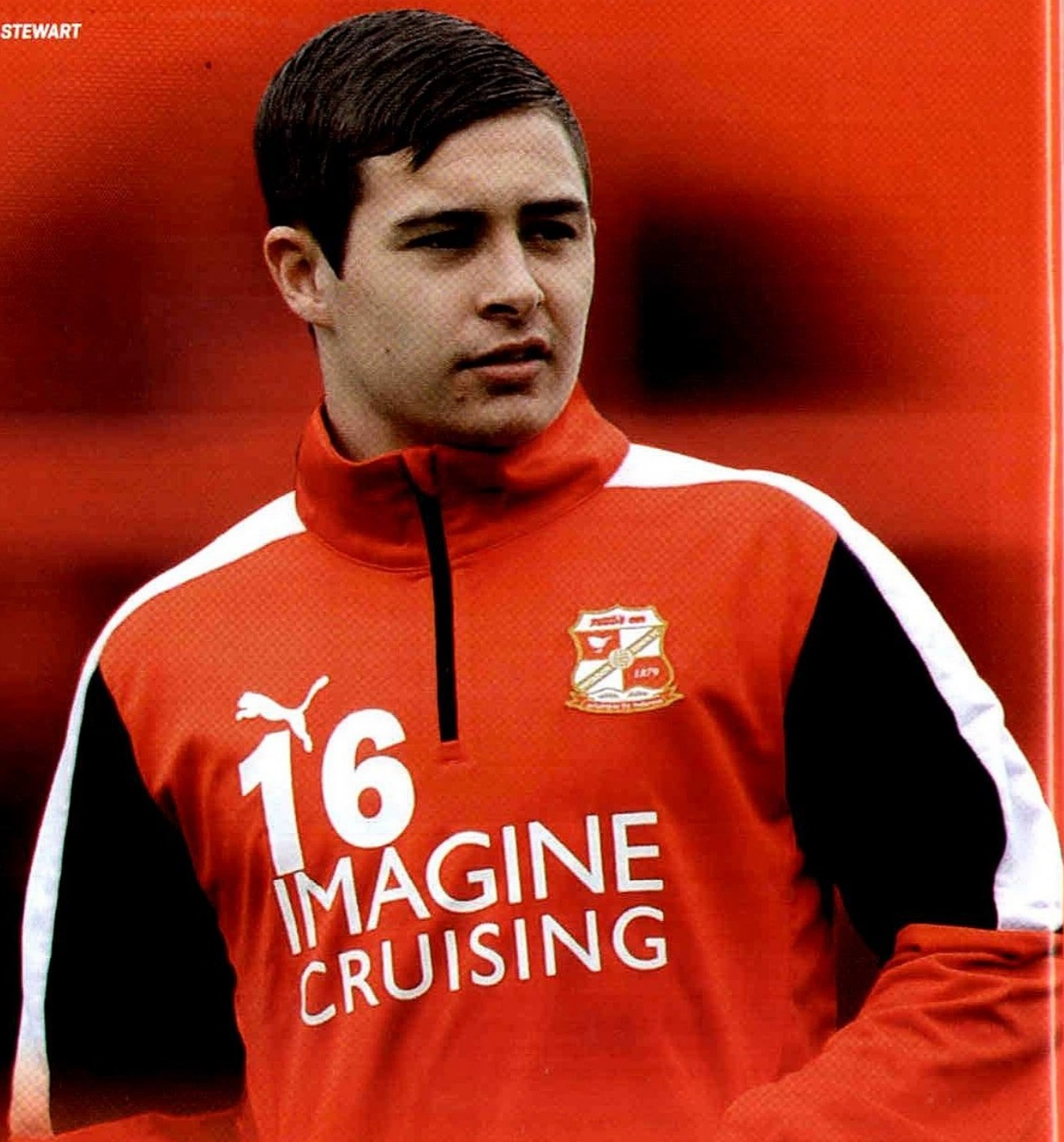
they are great quality items. They are made in the style of the first ever 'Swindon FC' kit [red and black hoops] and it's exciting that we are now starting to see a few of them around the ground on Match Days.

Thank you to everyone that has signed up to support our Red Army Fund.

We have a small TrustSTFC team situated behind the Town End before every Saturday home game, between 1:45pm and 2:45pm - so if you ever have any questions and would like to speak to someone, please pop along and we will help you.

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JORDAN STEWART



JORDAN STEWART



Having struggled with bouts of homesickness since signing for the Town, the former Glentoran man declares that he wants to kick on after settling in Swindon...

Speaking to **R+W** last week, Stewart admits that the buzz he gets from playing football is back after scoring in a development game at Bristol Rovers this time last week.

"I've definitely got that buzz back," he admitted. "I think I struggled for a while - probably for the last month but I'm back now and I'm more focused on my football and hopefully I'll be able to push on."

"I've played it up in my head a bit - it's probably worse in my head than it is in reality. Now that I've got my head around it, I'll be completely fine. The first month a lot of people say is the

hardest so now I'm probably over that hopefully I'm back here and settled now and I can kick on."

Stewart also hailed his teammates' role in helping to ease the transition to life at SN1.

"All the boys are brilliant," he said. "They always have been. That was never the issue, it was just myself was the issue. Every one of the boys is fantastic, it's just hard when you first move away from home. Hopefully I'm over that now though."

The youngster scored the winning goal for Swindon in a development fixture at Bristol Rovers in

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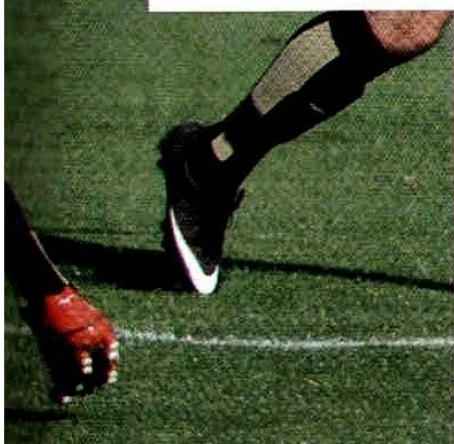
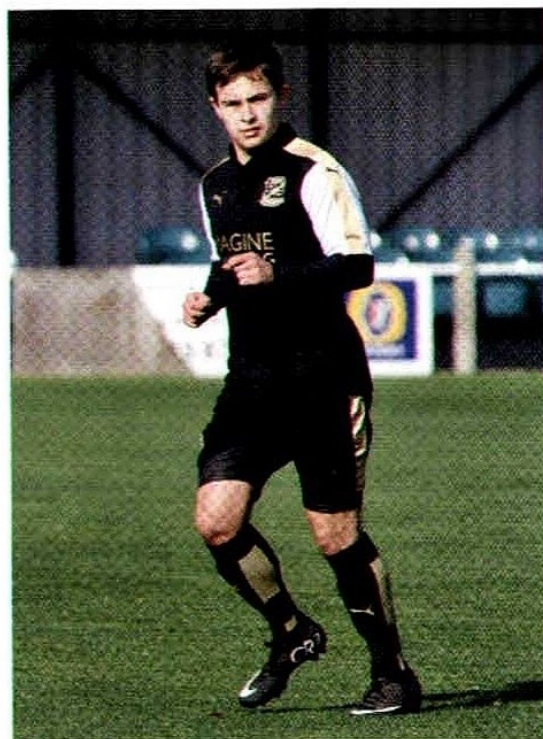
midweek and admits that he was glad to get on the scoresheet.

"I haven't played many games over the past few months," he said. "I just want to get a few games in and enjoy myself. It's always nice to score a goal even in a development game. I just need to get my match fitness up and push myself into the first team so as many development games as I can get will always help me. I enjoyed the game that was the main thing."

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JEREMY NEWTON

We are currently entering the review process for the Under-13s to Under-16s which takes place every six weeks.



As part of this process we will have a general overview of the past six weeks as well as going through objectives for the next six weeks that the player and the coaching staff set in the hope that the player achieves these objectives at the end of the next six-week cycle.

The review blocks are divided into six sections: In Possession, Out of Possession, Transition, Social, Psychological and Physical. The formation also changes every six weeks to try and increase their knowledge of the game as well as putting them in different scenarios and challenging them as players. This is designed to enhance their game understanding along with their decision-making, ultimately making them better footballers. The formation scenarios will put them under different pressures within the game but will also encourage them to problem-solve in different formations and systems. Over the 36-week block, they will

cover six different formations. It is hoped that they can progress through that cycle to then be retained for the following year. Having said that, they have to show an understanding and a competency that they are able to continue for the following six weeks. This is an added pressure upon the player which is part and parcel of the game and if they are wanting to become youth team players and professional footballers then this pressure will be on them every day. Along with the football side of the review, the sports scientist and Head of Education have their input on the review forms too, to make sure that they are adhering to their individual programmes as well as meeting the education target their schools have set alongside our Head of Education. Overall, the review process is big but it's about maintaining the whole development package to make sure we're covering all areas and enhancing their overall knowledge. We've

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recently started our Under-12s on a half-day, Day Release and this will run for a year. Currently, our Under-13s and Under-14s are in a four-day Day Release Programme which covers their education, sports science, analysis and lifestyle lessons as well as their core coaching time. These players at Under-12, 13 and 14 level are now receiving the same amount of core coaching time as the full time Under-18s. It is hoped that their increased core contact time, as well as their other Day Release activities, will enhance them further in the long-term development plan here at Swindon Town. This in turn helps the production line of players from the academy to the youth team and from the youth team into the first team.

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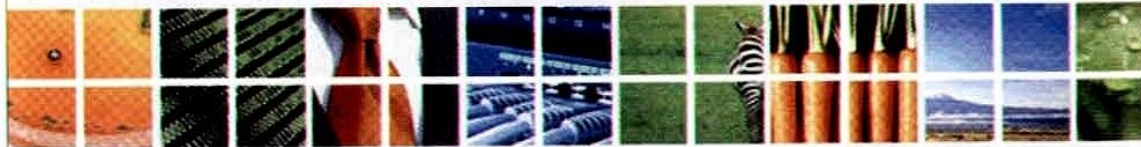
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SCOTT LINDSEY

We beat Newport 3-1 last weekend. I'm pleased because it's another win and it promotes a healthy environment when you're winning games.



That result and performance made it a good start to the week. We then played a development game against Bristol Rovers and we won 1-0. We played really well in the first half and almost got a bit too complacent in the second half. We had a lot of professionals playing - nine with just two youth team players before we made changes - so it was a relatively strong side. Perhaps we could have on by a bigger margin but overall, I was pleased with the week's work. Jordan Stewart did really well and has shown glimpses of real quality. He's tenacious, he's got an eye for goal and he's a good kid. He's clever, he knows how to get in behind the back line. He holds the ball up, he links the play well and he took his goal really well. I was really pleased

with him and I think he's going to be just fine.

I don't want to get too carried away with the winning run that my Under-18s are on. I'd like to win because it promotes a healthy environment to work in and the boys enjoy winning a game, especially when they've played well. Performances have been good so I'm really pleased at the moment. The big thing in football at this age is confidence. You'll find teams that end up losing week-in, week-out and they don't look forward to coming in. They feel like they're not doing the right things and it becomes hard for them. Even in games when you go 1-0 down you can see the team who has scored grow in confidence and the team who has conceded wilt a little bit,

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so it's a really big thing in youth football.

Like the rest of the academy, we work on a six-weekly cycle which involves us as coaching staff setting the players targets. We're currently in the process of reviewing those targets and discovering if they've achieved them. Just as an example of the sort of targets we set: we wanted Tom Smith to make 75% of his passes in a game, forward passes. Playing as a 'four' we felt he tended to play a lot of square balls or backward passes so we wanted to try and make him play more forward passes without forcing it. Therefore we gave him a realistic target to try and hit in that six-weekly cycle.

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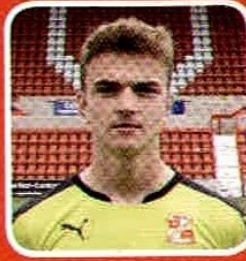
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GIRLS DEVELOPMENT

Good evening and welcome to tonight's game against Oldham Athletic.

Firstly can I say a huge thank you to all the supporters from last week who gave our CFFE Girls a fantastic reception. It's always difficult to raise morale when the team concede just before half time but the response was, as always, first class from our top class supporters.

The Under-10s and Under-11s faced tough opposition last week from the South Wales representative side but showed

true grit to win each of the four matches. There were some fantastic performances and I know that Claire Power was delighted with the whole squad. I would like to thank everyone at Lambourn Football Club for the use of their facilities for the day.

I would also like to say a huge well done to Hollie Timbrell and Milly Colford who are into the next stage of the England Schools Trials. The girls are trying to emulate Karoline Byrom who represented England at Under 15 level last season and this again shows

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the strength of our Elite Girls Programme.

We are looking forward to the Swindon Cup on the 30th when we meet Spurs, Charlton, Plymouth, Swansea and Portsmouth. It will be an amazing day and hopefully I will be reporting on trophy success for the Town.

Hopefully it will be three points tonight so let's get behind the Reds!

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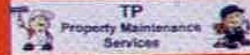
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Good evening and welcome to tonight's game. It is a very busy time for us in the FITC Trust preparing for our half term courses which kick-off this Thursday at Bradford on Avon then commence next week here at the football club and also out at Stanley Park in Chippenham. Places are limited but if you would like to find out more about any of the above, please do not hesitate in contacting the office on 01793 421303 or alternatively visit the online booking system officialsoccerschools.co.uk/stfitc.

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I'm sure there are many of you out there who recognise the young man in the picture above. He is our very own

"Tom is a very valuable member of our coaching staff who has a dual role working with us and the Street Games Programme which is rolled out and delivered on behalf of Swindon Borough Council."



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Tom Cox and has worked for our FITC trust since September 2014. Tom is a very valuable member of our coaching staff who has a dual role working with us and the Street Games Programme which is rolled out and delivered on behalf of Swindon Borough Council. Tom has a pivotal role within our community trust where he works on our Twilight project offering football sessions during the evenings around the Swindon area. This gives young teenagers the chance to engage in a structured football activity in order to keep them off the streets and occupied during the week. In addition, Tom also delivers on some of our disability projects within the trust and has just embarked on a new project called Soccerside which is a keep-fit and agility project delivered to secondary schools. It is set to music and has been a huge success among the local schools in Swindon and the surrounding areas. If you think your school would

like to engage in the project please do not hesitate in contacting Tom at the STFC FITC Trust.

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Prior to writing these notes, we delivered our local tournament at Dorcan Academy on Wednesday 14th October where we had six teams take part. The winning team go forward to the regional finals which will take place in the week commencing 18th January 2016. Full details of our local tournament will be published in the next programme on Saturday 24th against Coventry City. We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Wendy Craig at Dorcan Academy for providing access to the fantastic facility and also Graham Davis for helping officiate the tournament on the night.



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Mon:	5.00-5.45	4-5yrs
Tues:	5.00-5.45	4-5yrs
Thurs:	5.00-6.00	8-11yrs
Fri:	5.00-6.00	5-6yrs
	6.00-7.00	6-7yrs

BEVERSBROOK

Wed:	5.00-6.00	5-7yrs/8-11yrs
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GIRLS CENTRES

Link Centre

Mon:	5.00-6.00	8-12yrs
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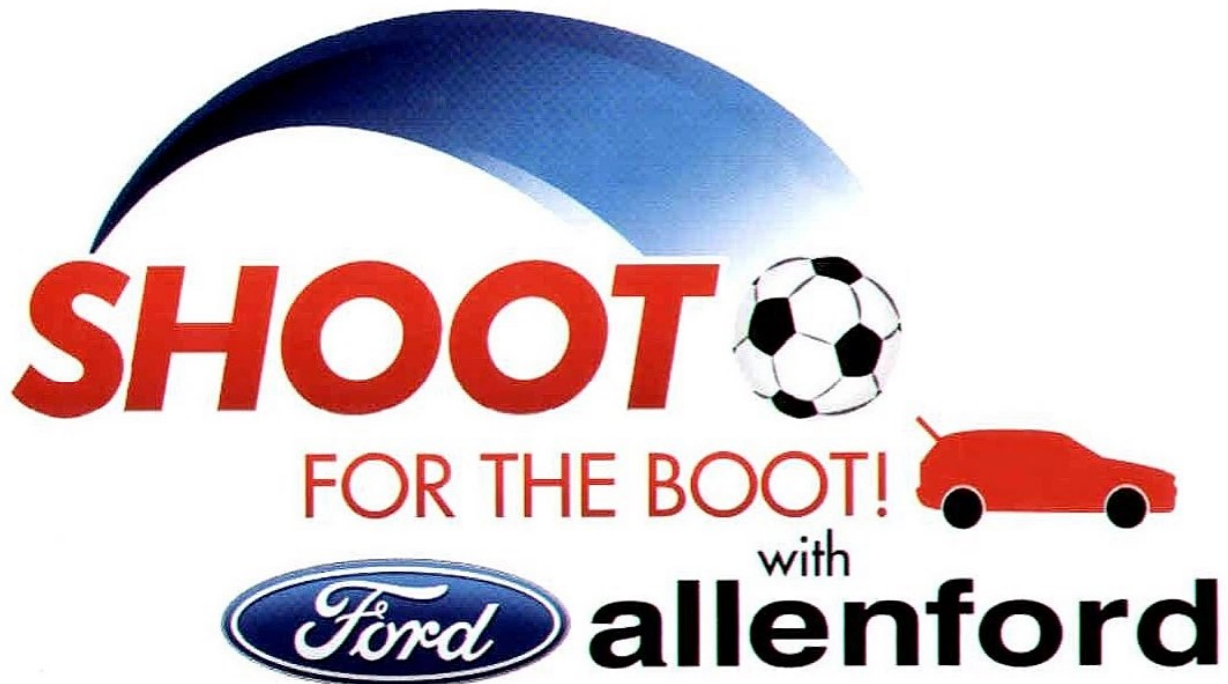
Tues:	4.30-5.30	5-10yrs
Thurs:	4.30-5.30	7-12yrs

Dorcan

Friday:	5.30-6.30	11-14yrs
	5.30-6.30	11-15yrs

(Advanced girls, invite only)

Watch the Town squad battle it out in



Follow their progress on the STFC    channels.



the brain injury association

Headway
Swindon & District

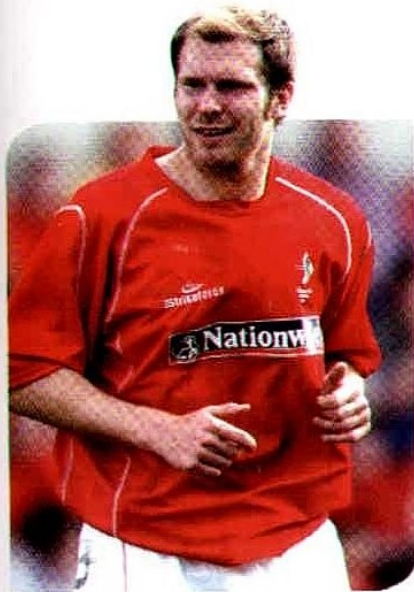
Improving life after brain injury

Care Line

01793 436908

www.headwayswindon.org.uk

Charity Number: 1021036



SUPER SAMMY SAYS

I hope you're reading this after a positive result in South London and, fingers crossed, no more casualties have been added to the list of the walking wounded.

I'm planning on doing my first live outside radio broadcast on Saturday at the New Den so hopefully I'm still in one piece by the time Oldham Athletic roll up tonight. I've been racking my brain to remember the worst injury crisis I was involved in [I was a bit of a single-handed injury crisis, mind you] but the one that sticks out would be during a loan spell at Wycombe Wanderers from Chelsea. I'm sure many of you remember Roy Essandoh's winner for Wycombe at Leicester in the FA Cup Quarter Finals. Lawrie Sanchez's wild celebrations in front of a monitor in the tunnel live long in the memory. By the time that particular fixture came around, the amount of injuries at Adams Park was in double figures and the majority of them, including me, were in the forward areas.

There were more players in the treatment room than on the training pitch. The club was facing the biggest game in its history and they eventually had to advertise for a centre forward on Teletext! Step forward Royle!

You can look at all the statistics and data in the world but as far as I'm concerned, it's just bad luck. Last season is a prime example - there were very few injuries at the County Ground and team selection was really competitive throughout the campaign. I'm sure the medical staff are having a difficult time but it's just one of those nightmare periods that will soon be forgotten.

As a player you feel helpless. As soon as there are more than a couple of you in the treatment room, the atmosphere can become tense. You just have to focus on your own recovery and not be concerned with all the commotion going on around you.

The signings of Ben Gladwin and Adam El-Abd are timely and you have two players primed and ready for first team action. It's been difficult for Ben to get minutes at QPR so he will relish coming back to a place that he excelled at last season. It's another good bit of business from the Chairman at a pivotal



time. I always enjoyed my tussles with El-Abd when he was at Brighton. He's a strong, good footballer and his experience and organisational skills will be vitally important until a few senior players return to the fold.

I wasn't at the game at the weekend but, by all accounts, it was an improved performance. The individual mistakes proved costly and the two-goal deficit was ultimately too much to overcome. If the team can get an early goal or even put the opposition under real pressure from the first whistle, I'm sure that could signal the start of the upturn in results.

Two of my former clubs are Town's back-to-back opponents. I made my full debut in a Millwall shirt during a 5-0 victory over Oxford [maybe that was a sign]. Neil Harris, the now-Millwall manager, was my strike partner on that day and helped himself to a hat-trick, significantly making light of my debut brace! Millwall went on to win the league that season.

By that stage I was in Greater Manchester where I spent the last three months of the season at Oldham Athletic. I look back on both spells with real affection. Millwall were a great side with players like Harris, Steven Reid, Lucas Neil and Tim Cahill and they cantered to the title. I made some really good friends and if I hadn't been so young and impatient I would have remained there for the season and would now be the holder of an old Division 2 winners' medal.

Such as it was, I went in search of more regular first team football and found myself at Boundary Park. I loved my time there: I stayed in digs with a great couple and had a brilliant time living in the North West. It was a different challenge on the pitch as Oldham were at the wrong end of the table but we stayed up quite comfortably. My abiding memory of my stay was the final day of the season, a meaningless game against Stoke who were already promoted and we were safe in mid-table. The heavens opened in the second half; rain, sleet, snow - you name it. Boundary Park is the third highest ground in the country and the weather, even in early May, can be variable! At one point the ball was in our 18-yard box and me and the centre half were screaming at the referee to call a halt to the proceedings. Never have I been so pleased to see my number go up. The one and only time I've headed straight to the bath.

Oldham have had a change in manager this season so it'll be interesting to see how David Dunn is adapting to his first management role. Lee Johnson's side did particularly well in taking four points off Swindon last season. They put on one of the more accomplished away performances at the County Ground last term so I'm expecting a difficult game tonight.

Have a good one.

Come On You Reds!
Sam

ON THE ROAD



The SAS Travel office is open at the following times:

Tuesday & Thursday 7pm-8pm
 Before all home fixtures until 30 minutes prior to kick off

All seats must be paid for at time of booking.
 Proof of age may be required when booking Junior seats.
 Credit/debit card payment will be taken at time of booking.
 All U16's must be accompanied by an adult

At any other time supporters can call the office on 01793 536757 and leave a message on the answer phone and SAS Travel will reply as soon as possible. Alternatively, email sastravel@sky.com for further details.

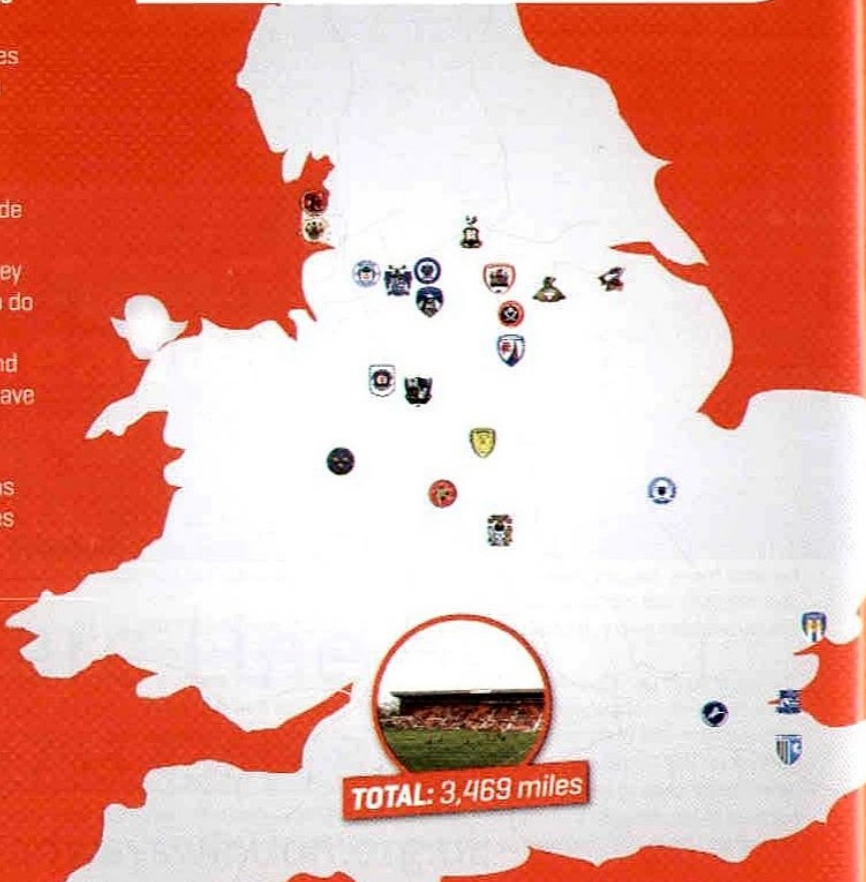
You can now follow SAS Travel on Twitter - for all the latest away travel news, follow @SAS_Travel

The following guidelines are designed to allow SAS Travel to ensure that they can take as many fans as want to travel with them to each away game.

- As a general rule, SAS Travel have to order coaches one week before the fixture date. Therefore if you leave booking until within this time, they cannot always guarantee that there will still be spaces available.
- After this time, SAS Travel will always try (alongside their coach provider) to source further coaches and meet all the demand for spaces, although they cannot run a coach unless economically viable to do so.
- SAS Travel tend to open games for booking around three weeks before the fixture date and usually have three fixtures booking at any one time. This may increase to four due to fixture rearrangements.
- SAS Travel advise that the best policy is to book as early as you can to ensure that you get the spaces that you want.

2015/16 MILEAGE

Barnsley - 182 miles	Millwall - 85 miles
Blackpool - 200 miles	Oldham - 172 miles
Bradford - 205 miles	Peterborough - 112 miles
Burton - 120 miles	Port Vale - 124 miles
Bury - 173 miles	Rochdale - 179 miles
Chesterfield - 156 miles	Scunthorpe - 198 miles
Colchester - 154 miles	Sheff Utd - 166 miles
Coventry - 88 miles	Shrewsbury - 121 miles
Crewe - 131 miles	Southend - 137 miles
Doncaster - 176 miles	Walsall - 86 miles
Fleetwood - 205 miles	Wigan - 165 miles
Gillingham - 134 miles	TOTAL: 3,469 miles



WIGAN ATHLETIC
31/10/2015

£22 Members
 £24 Non Members

Departs at 8.30am

TICKET DETAILS

**WIGAN ATHLETIC v
SWINDON**
**31/10/2015 | KICK
OFF: 15:00**

HOW TO BUY

In Store

Online at www.eticketing.co.uk/swindontown

Telephone 08718761993 option 1

[£2 booking fee per ticket applies]

ADVANCE PRICES

Adult - £20 | **065** - £17 | **Under-18** - £10 |

Under-11 - £5 | **Under-5** - £2 | **Disabled** -

Age-related price | **Helper** - Free

For disabled/wheelchair tickets please call

08718761993 option 2

MATCHDAY PRICES

Adult - £20 | **065** - £20 | **Under-18** - £10 |

Under-11 - £5



15/16 TICKET PRICES

In an attempt to encourage younger supporters to the CG, prices have been slashed for Junior fans with Under-11s without a Junior Red membership getting in for just £2. Fans under the age of 17 have also seen a drop in matchday prices. Price categories have also changed from Gold, Silver and Bronze to A Grade and B Grade fixtures.

A GRADE:

	SIDES	T.END
Adults	£25	£19
Student/065	£19	£15
Young Adults (17-19)	£12	£12
Juniors (U17)	£8	£8
Juniors (U11)	£2	£2
Junior Red (U11)	FREE*	FREE*

B GRADE:

	SIDES	T.END
Adults	£23	£18
Student/065	£18	£14
Young Adults (17-19)	£12	£12
Juniors (U17)	£8	£8
Juniors (U11)	£2	£2
Junior Red (U11)	FREE*	FREE*

ADULT:

Aged 19-64 on fixture date

CONC. SENIOR 065:

Aged 65 on fixture date

CONC. STUDENT:

In Full Time Education

CONC. DISABLED:

Registered disabled only

YOUNG ADULT:

Aged 17-19 on fixture date

JUNIORS UNDER 17:

Aged 16 or under on fixture date

JUNIORS UNDER 11:

Aged 10 or under on fixture date

*To qualify for a FREE Under 11s ticket, children need to join the Junior Red scheme for a one-off payment of £30. Proof of age will be required at the time of purchase. Under 11s must be accompanied by a full paying Adult. There is a maximum of two free tickets per full paying Adult. Junior Red tickets must be purchased through STFC either in store or by ringing 0871 876 1993 and selection option 2.

**Please note Juniors must be accompanied by an Adult in the FastPlant Town End.

***Student tickets must be purchased before matchday.

**You can book tickets
online or by phone:**

0871 876 1993

HOME TICKETS

**SWINDON TOWN vs
COVENTRY CITY**



Saturday 24th October / Kick-Off: 3pm
Grade A Fixture, see prices to the right

**SWINDON TOWN vs
SCUNTHORPE UTD**



Saturday 14th November / Kick-Off: 3pm
Grade A Fixture, see prices to the right

**SWINDON TOWN vs
WALSALL**



Tuesday 24th November / Kick-Off: 7.45pm
Grade B Fixture, see prices to the right

**SWINDON TOWN vs
ROCHDALE**



Saturday 12th December / Kick-Off: 3pm
Grade A Fixture, see prices to the right

AWAY TICKETS

**WIGAN ATHLETIC vs
SWINDON TOWN**



Saturday 31st October / Kick-Off: 3pm
Ticket prices at www.swindontownfc.co.uk

**FLEETWOOD TOWN vs
SWINDON TOWN**



Saturday 21st November / Kick-Off: 3pm
Ticket prices at www.swindontownfc.co.uk

**CHESTERFIELD vs
SWINDON TOWN**



Saturday 28th November / Kick-Off: 3pm
Ticket prices at www.swindontownfc.co.uk

**SHREWSBURY T vs
SWINDON TOWN**



Saturday 19th December / Kick-Off: 3pm
Ticket prices at www.swindontownfc.co.uk

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AUGUST

Sat 8	Bradford City	H	FL1	4-1	8,090	1,025	2	Vigouroux	N. Thompson	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Tue 11	Exeter City	H	CAP1	1-2	4,693	506	-	Vigouroux	N. Thompson	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 15	Bury	A	FL1	2-2	3,947	439	4	Vigouroux	N. Thompson	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Tue 18	Port Vale	H	FL1	2-2	7,026	249	9	Vigouroux	N. Thompson	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 22	Southend United	A	FL1	1-0	5,639	580	6	Vigouroux	N. Thompson	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 29	Sheffield United	H	FL1	0-2	8,614	1,117	8	Vigouroux	Turnbull	Branco	Williams	K. Stewart

SEPTEMBER

Tue 1	Newport County	A	JP11	1-1*	1,434	453	-	Belford	Barry	Brophy	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 5	Crewe Alexandra	A	FL1	3-1	4,400	417	6	Vigouroux	Berry	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 12	Barnsley	A	FL1	1-4	8,227	351	8	Vigouroux	Berry	Williams	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 19	Burton Albion	H	FL1	0-1	7,005	203	10	Vigouroux	N. Thompson	Williams	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 26	Colchester United	H	FL1	1-2	6,687	212	17	Belford	Turnbull	Williams	Branco	Kasim
Tue 29	Doncaster Rovers	A	FL1	2-2	4,693	203	14	Belford	Brophy	Williams	Turnbull	Branco

OCTOBER

Sat 3	Blackpool	A	FL1	0-1	6,704	772	17	Vigouroux	Barry	Brophy	Turnbull	Branco
Tue 6	Oxford United	A	JP12	0-2	9,013	1,179	-	Vigouroux	Berry	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 10	Peterborough United	H	FL1	1-2	7,025	439	19	Vigouroux	Brophy	Ormonde-Ottewill	El-Abd	Branco
Sat 17	Millwall	A	FL1	0-2	8,524	561	20	Vigouroux	Barry	Ormonde-Ottewill	El-Abd	Branco
Tue 20	Oldham Athletic	H	FL1	19.45								
Sat 24	Coventry City	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 31	Wigan Athletic	A	FL1	15.00								

NOVEMBER

Sat 7	Emirates FA Cup First Round											
Sat 14	Scunthorpe United	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 21	Fleetwood Town	A	FL1	15.00								
Tue 24	Walsall	H	FL1	19.45								
Sat 28	Chesterfield	A	FL1	15.00								

DECEMBER

Sat 12	Rochdale	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 19	Shrewsbury Town	A	FL1	15.00								
Sat 26	Gillingham	H	FL1	15.00								
Mon 28	Burton Albion	A	FL1	15.00								

JANUARY

Sat 2	Port Vale	A	FL1	15.00								
Sat 9	Southend United	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 16	Crewe Alexandra	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 23	Sheffield United	A	FL1	15.00								
Sat 30	Barnsley	H	FL1	15.00								

FEBRUARY

Sat 6	Gillingham	A	FL1	15.00								
Sat 13	Colchester United	A	FL1	15.00								
Sat 20	Blackpool	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 27	Peterborough United	A	FL1	15.00								

MARCH

Tue 1	Doncaster Rovers	H	FL1	19.45								
Sat 5	Oldham Athletic	A	FL1	15.00								
Sat 12	Millwall	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 19	Coventry City	A	FL1	15.00								
Fri 25	Wigan Athletic	H	FL1	15.00								
Mon 28	Scunthorpe United	A	FL1	15.00								

APRIL

Sat 2	Fleetwood Town	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 9	Bradford City	A	FL1	15.00								
Sat 16	Bury	H	FL1	15.00								
Tue 19	Walsall	A	FL1	19.45								
Sat 23	Chesterfield	H	FL1	15.00								
Sat 30	Rochdale	A	FL1	15.00								

MAY

Sun 8	Shrewsbury Town	H	FL1	12.30								
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*Won 7-5 on penalties



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Fast Plant Charity
Partner 2015/16



Julia's House in Wiltshire

We've found a site for our new hospice!



We are pleased to announce that we have found the site for our new hospice – it will be in the heart of Devizes. Wiltshire Council has accepted an offer from us on two disused office buildings. There's plenty of work to be done converting and refurbishing them, but we're hoping to have a fantastic new hospice ready for our Wiltshire families by Autumn 2017.

We can't do it without you!

What we need now is the support of you – the public.

With just 6 per cent of our total annual funding coming from government, support throughout the county will be vital if we are to achieve our dream of expanding the reach of our outstanding model of care through a dedicated Wiltshire hospice and extensive home-based community care service.

We would like to hear from Wiltshire individuals, businesses, community groups, schools, sports clubs and anybody who is keen to make a difference to such an important project.

There are many ways to offer your support, so if you would like to donate, fundraise, discuss sponsorship packages, volunteer or simply find out more, please contact Ged Montgomery on 01980 677105 or email ged.montgomery@juliashouse.org



www.juliashouse.org

Charity no. 1067125

GAME CENTRE



		HOME					AWAY					GD	PTS	
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F			A
1	Gillingham	13	5	1	0	17	5	3	2	2	9	8	13	27
2	Walsall	13	3	2	2	9	6	4	2	0	10	2	11	25
3	Burton	13	4	1	1	7	4	4	0	3	6	9	0	25
4	Bury	13	2	4	1	11	10	4	2	0	12	7	6	24
5	Coventry	12	4	2	0	11	4	3	0	3	9	6	10	23
6	Sheff Utd	13	4	0	2	13	9	2	3	2	9	10	3	21
7	Southend	13	4	0	3	7	7	2	3	1	7	5	2	21
8	Wigan	13	4	3	0	13	3	1	2	3	8	12	6	20
9	Peterborough	13	2	2	2	12	12	3	1	3	12	9	3	18
10	Rochdale	13	4	0	2	12	8	1	3	3	6	8	2	18
11	Port Vale	13	3	3	1	11	8	1	2	3	4	6	1	17
12	Scunthorpe	13	4	1	2	6	3	1	1	4	9	13	-1	17
13	Millwall	12	2	0	4	7	12	3	2	1	12	9	-2	17
14	Chesterfield	13	1	2	3	10	12	4	0	3	8	8	-2	17
15	Bradford	12	1	2	2	5	7	3	2	2	8	9	-3	16
16	Colchester	13	2	3	1	8	6	2	1	4	11	21	-8	16
17	Barnsley	12	3	1	2	9	5	1	1	4	7	13	-2	14
18	Shrewsbury	13	2	0	4	8	8	2	2	3	8	11	-3	14
19	Fleetwood	13	2	3	2	12	6	1	0	5	6	14	-2	12
20	Swindon	13	1	1	4	8	10	2	2	3	9	12	-5	12
21	Oldham	13	1	3	3	8	14	0	6	0	7	7	-8	12
22	Blackpool	12	2	1	3	5	9	1	2	3	4	8	-8	12
23	Doncaster	12	2	4	1	8	6	0	1	4	1	9	-6	11
24	Crewe	13	0	2	5	7	14	2	1	3	6	8	-9	9



		LEAGUE		CUP		15/16 TOTAL			
		APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	APPS	GLS	YEL	RED
01	Lawrence Vigouroux	11	0	2	0	13	0	2	0
02	Nathan Thompson	5	0	1	0	6	0	0	0
03	Brandon Ormonde-Ottewill	7	0	2	0	9	0	0	0
04	Fabien Robert	8(3)	3	2	0	10(3)	3	2	0
05	Jordan Williams	9	0	1	0	10	0	1	0
06	Jordan Turnbull	11	0	3	0	14	0	3	1
07	Drissa Traore	8(2)	0	2	0	10(2)	0	1	0
08	Yaser Kasim	9(1)	0	1	0	10(1)	0	3	0
09	Michael Smith	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
10	Nathan Byrne	5	3	1	0	6	3	1	0
11	Nicky Ajose	8	2	1	0	9	2	0	0
11	Kevin Stewart	3(2)	0	2	0	5(2)	0	1	0
12	Mommar Bangoura	1	0	(1)	0	1(1)	0	0	0
14	Wes Thomas	4	2	0	0	4	2	0	0
15	James Brophy	5(1)	0	2(1)	0	7(2)	0	4	0
16	Jordan Stewart	(1)	0	0	0	(1)	0	0	0
17	Ben Gladwin	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
18	Louis Thompson	5(1)	0	0	0	5(1)	0	2	0
19	Jeremy Balmy	(3)	0	0	0	(3)	0	2	0
20	Jonathan Obika	3(2)	2	2	1	5(2)	3	0	0
21	Will Randall	(4)	0	1(1)	0	1(5)	0	0	0
22	Lee Marshall	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
24	Jermaine Hylton	2(3)	0	1	0	3(3)	0	1	0
25	Tyrell Belford	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	0
26	Anton Rodgers	7(2)	2	2	1	9(2)	3	0	0
27	Bradley Barry	4	0	2	0	6	0	1	0
28	Ellis Iandolo	(1)	0	(1)	0	(2)	0	0	0
29	Raphael Rossi-Branco	13	0	3	0	16	0	2	0
30	Miles Storey	(2)	0	0	0	(2)	0	0	0
31	Tom Smith	0(1)	1	(1)	0	(2)	1	0	0
32	Henrik Ojamaa	5(2)	1	(1)	0	5(3)	0	0	0
34	Adam El-Abd	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0



FIXTURES & RESULTS

Saturday 17th October

- Bury 0-0 Rochdale
- Coventry 0-0 Blackpool
- Crewe 0-1 Gillingham
- Doncaster 0-1 Bradford
- Fleetwood 4-0 Burton
- Millwall 2-0 Swindon
- Oldham 1-1 Sheff Utd
- Port Vale 1-1 Peterborough
- Scunthorpe 2-1 Shrewsbury
- Southend 2-1 Barnsley
- Walsall 1-2 Chesterfield
- Wigan 5-0 Colchester

Tonight

- Barnsley v Walsall
- Blackpool v Millwall
- Bradford v Bury
- Burton v Crewe
- Chesterfield v Southend
- Colchester v Port Vale
- Gillingham v Scunthorpe
- Peterborough v Wigan
- Rochdale v Coventry
- Sheff Utd v Fleetwood
- Shrewsbury v Doncaster
- Swindon v Oldham

Saturday 24th October

- Sheff Utd v Millwall
- Barnsley v Fleetwood
- Blackpool v Crewe
- Bradford v Wigan
- Burton v Port Vale
- Chesterfield v Scunthorpe
- Colchester v Walsall
- Gillingham v Southend
- Peterborough v Doncaster
- Rochdale v Oldham
- Shrewsbury v Bury
- Swindon v Coventry

Tuesday 27th October

- Millwall v Doncaster



PRESSING MATTERS

Sometimes in my role here at STFC I come across situations that remind me of the fact that Swindon Town Football Club goes beyond what happens on that little bit of greenery in the middle of the County Ground every other Saturday...

Last week, Vic Morgan [known to many of you, I'm sure] messaged me on Twitter to inform me that ex-Town striker, David Syrett is currently undergoing chemotherapy treatment for a brain tumour. Dave spent four seasons at the County Ground in the mid-1970s after coming through the youth ranks at SN1. He made his debut in September 1973 against Preston North End and would go on to make over 130 appearances for the Town before moving on to Mansfield in 1977. He scored 39 goals in all competitions for Swindon, a figure that places him in the top 50 Swindon Town all-time top goalscorers – above Messrs Austin and Fjørtoft, I might add...

In an era where mop-haired players bearing the bushiest of moustaches put on an exhibition of flamboyant football at SN1, Syrett took his place alongside the likes of Trevor Anderson, Peter Eastoe, Will Dixon and other 'blast from the past' names of that generation to pull on that red shirt. I actually spoke to Dave last week and told him that, as a club, we would give him all the support we could. He was remarkably positive and upbeat and was genuinely appreciative of our offer. Hopefully, we'll be able to get him along to the County Ground to take in a game soon. Perhaps we should invite some of his former teammates along too...?

I feel [as a fan in addition to being an employee] that it's important that all football clubs, not just Swindon Town, maintain links with former players.



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Just before penning these notes, I had the enormous pleasure of having my weekly catch-up with Roger Reeves and we both agreed that the community feel of former players connecting with fans is part of the fabric of any football club. When Jan Åge Fjørtoft was here a few months ago, how many of you got a warm glow accompanied by the most natural and genuine of smiles as he stepped up to put away that penalty in front of the Town End? That is something you can't buy and that's why I felt compelled to tell Dave's story in this set of notes because I'm sure the

exploits of the teams he played in at SN1 bring back a lot of memories for people.

I'm writing these notes [as with most of this programme] before Saturday's game at Millwall due to printing deadlines so I hope you're reading this after a good result at the New Den.

Here's to three points tonight, a positive performance and a few smiles back on a few more faces.

Enjoy the game.

Tom Otrebski
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