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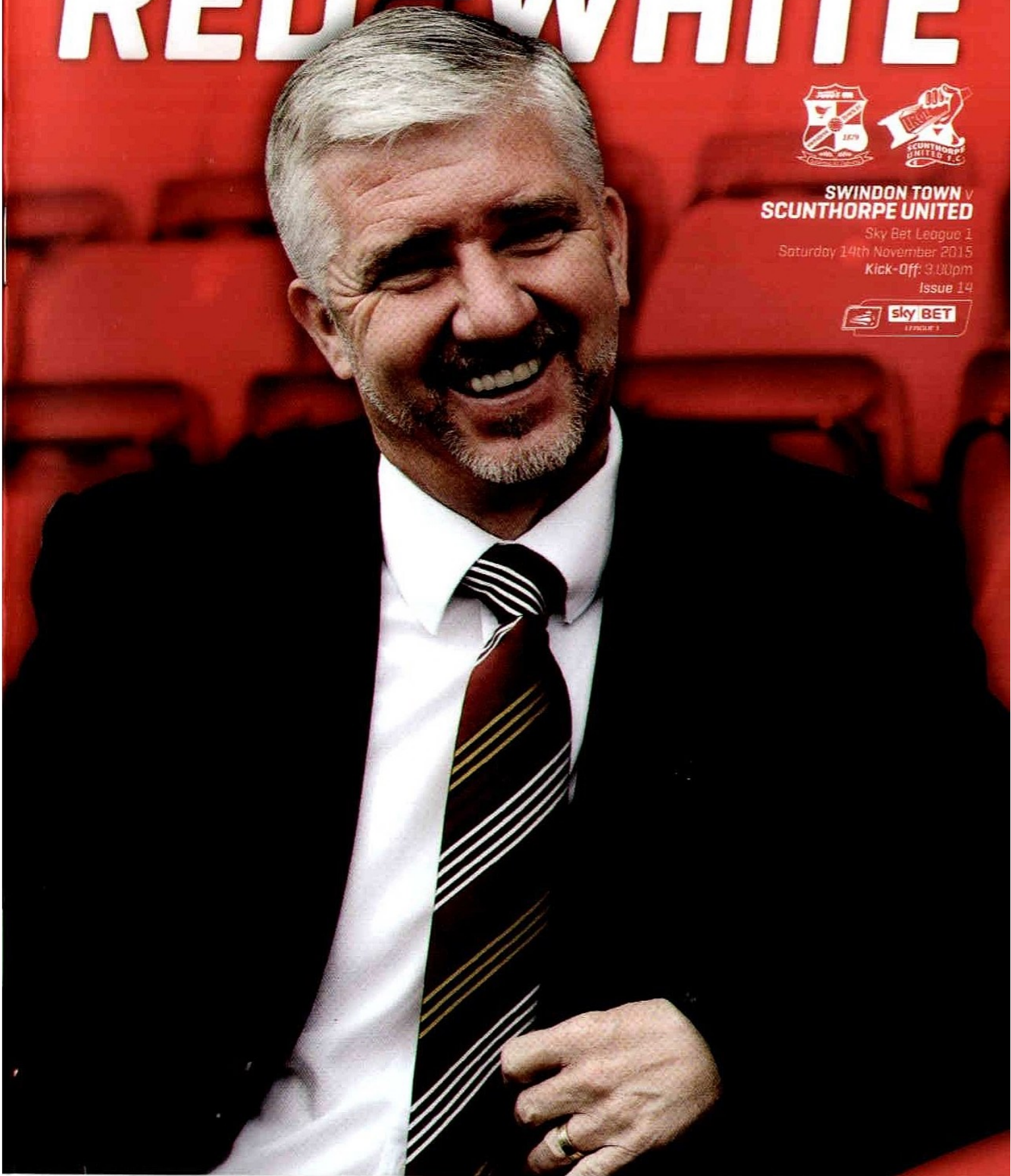


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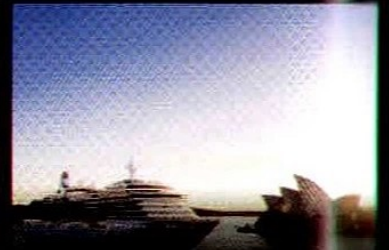


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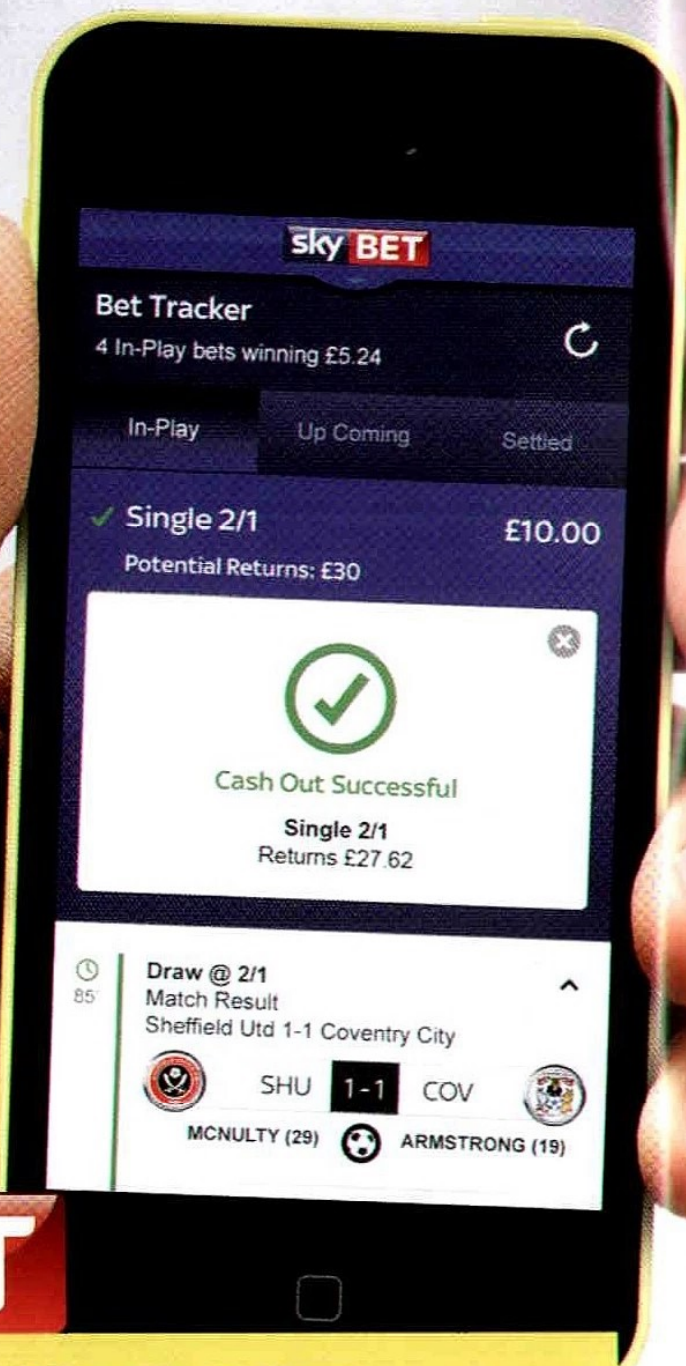
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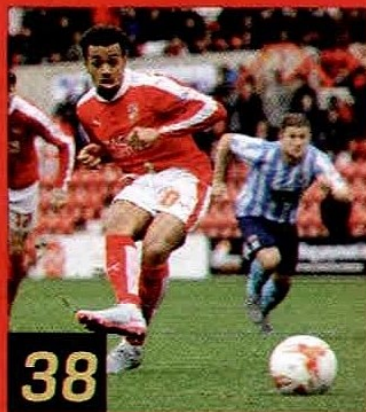
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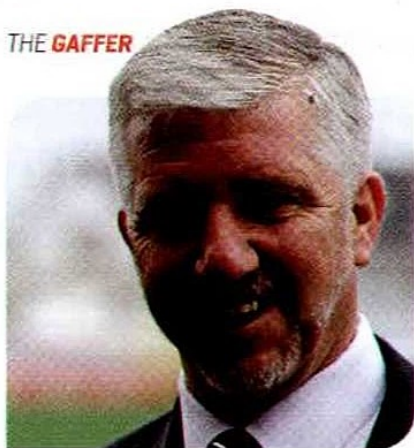
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# MARTIN LING

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*Good afternoon and welcome to the County Ground. I have been looking forward to today's game against Scunthorpe United all week.*

Starting with last Saturday's FA Cup defeat at Rochdale, I was disappointed with the result. I felt we had good control of the ball at times but just felt that we didn't hurt them enough in the final third. We needed to ask more questions and I don't think there were enough shots on target or crosses going in. There wasn't enough action in the final third and some of that is down to build-up play. I felt we were ok in the back two thirds but the final third didn't please me with what I saw and with the players we've got. It's got to be better.

For me, last week was a fact finder. I would have liked it to have been a fact finder with a positive result but it gave me an insight into what we've got in the building and what is good, what is not so good and what could be made better. That's the big thing - what can we make better. Today we're losing three players to international duty. Two of the boys that started on Saturday - Louis Thompson and Yaser Kasim - can't play however, there's another chance to have a look at other people to see what they can do when they come into that midfield area. Obviously, I would have liked to have my full strength XI this afternoon. I would like Louis and Yaser to be available for us because they are two quality players - we know that. It's a little bit frustrating but it is what it is, we've got to deal with it. We have got three people out



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which would normally allow you to get the game called off but because Louis' loan is a youth loan we can't do that. We can only use what we've got in the building so it's no use me worrying about it.

Scunthorpe have come through the back of a sticky period and are in a good run of results at the moment. They've got potent threats - Paddy Madden will need to be looked after. They play the game a little bit longer than we do but they play with a good tempo and purpose. They've had a bit of change recently too: they had two lads who were on loan go back last week and they have a couple of full backs who may be injured so they have got their difficulties to deal with but we will certainly have done our homework on them - we had them watched so we

know what their strengths and weaknesses are.

I would just like to close by saying, be the 12th man that we need today. It hasn't been great this year but it's a new start and when you're not in good times you need the supporters more. We need you to rally the troops and get behind them and get behind me. If you remember me as a player, you'll know I give everything on the pitch in terms of energy and running and doing everything I possibly could. I'll be doing the same as a manager but I will also expect my players to be giving it everything they've got and that's where I'll be asking you to get behind them.

**Martin Ling**  
FIRST TEAM MANAGER

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## FROM THE TOP

Welcome back to the County Ground for today's visit of Scunthorpe United.



Today will see our new manager take his place in the home dugout for the first time since he was unveiled nearly a fortnight ago. On behalf of everyone at Swindon Town, I would like to welcome Martin Ling and Ross Embleton to the club and wish them every success during their time at the County Ground. Having a management team that all buy into the same way of doing things should reap rewards that we will all be able to see out on the pitch over the coming weeks and months. Being a former legend of this parish, I know that every Swindon supporter wants him to do well.

Off the pitch, you may have noticed that we have re-launched our six and eight-match ticket packs which are available to buy

now. These match-packs were very successful last season so we hope to see another healthy uptake this term. We felt that having the flexibility of a ticket like this will enable more supporters – both young and old – to enjoy watching their beloved Swindon Town without the commitment and cost of a Season Ticket. For a breakdown of the pricing structure, turn to the news page of this programme or visit our ticketing website at [www.eticketing.co.uk/swindontown](http://www.eticketing.co.uk/swindontown).

With Halloween and Guy Fawkes' Night out of the way, the next milestone for many of us is Christmas. For the past few years, the football club have had the pleasure of hosting a Christmas lunch for senior citizens and those in local care homes. Firstly, I'd like to say thank you to the

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STFC Supporters Club who always very generously support this event financially but we are on the hunt for a local business who would also like to sponsor the event and keep this important tradition going for another year. If you are interested in making a donation or know anyone who may be interested in doing so, please contact Adam Wainwright in our commercial team for further details.

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**Steve Anderson**  
GENERAL MANAGER

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Arthur Beadsworth, Jim Chalmers, Billy Kirby and William Brewer were the other Town connections that tragically lost their lives during World War One.

1930s goal-scoring hero Alan Fowler was one of the victims of World War Two. The forward joined Town in May 1934 and hit a century of goals in his time at The County Ground. He was killed in action in July 1944. Jim Olney, Bill Bryan, Albert Powell and Bill Imrie are also remembered by the club during this time of reflection and remembrance.

A memorial plaque above the tunnel at SN1 commemorates all those connected with Swindon Town who died during both conflicts. Another plaque dedicated to the memories of Fowler, Imrie and Olney can be found in the reception foyer at the County Ground.

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## CAPTAIN'S COLUMN

*Good afternoon and welcome back to the County Ground for this afternoon's fixture against Scunthorpe.*



I would like to begin by taking this opportunity on behalf of the team, to formally welcome the gaffer and Ross Embleton to the club. Martin Ling needs no introduction to Swindon fans and Ross brings a wealth of coaching experience making them a formidable duo. Their eye for detail and man-management style will be a huge help for this young squad.

It feels like an age since I last penned these notes and a lot has changed in that time. Although the results haven't drastically improved, spells of the performances have been much more akin to last year – and that's encouraging. Taking aside the Rochdale game, the Swindon Town we are used to seeing is starting to surface, so hopefully we can continue on that upward curve.

Reflecting on the Rochdale

game and it felt like we took a step backwards after coming forward. In our previous home fixture against Coventry, we showed huge character to get ourselves back into the game. We then went to Wigan and deserved a draw at a bare minimum. So to lose in the manner we did, in a competition we are keen to progress in, was extremely disappointing. Once we conceded, we stopped playing our style of football and got caught up in playing a similar style to Rochdale. It's difficult to put a finger on why this is exactly the case but if we try to play like other League 1 teams, we will be second best.

On a personal note, October was a highly frustrating month. Having a relapse on my initial injury in the Burton fixture, it has set me back the best part of ten weeks. A grade three tear to the adductor (groin) muscle can

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be a lengthy process and there is no-one more annoyed at the outcome than me. I've been pulling my hair out, wanting to help this team out of the bottom four and it pains me not to be on the pitch. Behind the scenes I do my best to help the players and staff and I can assure you, I'm doing everything I can to mend this injury fully and as quickly as possible.

Talking from experience, it is much more nerve-wracking watching a game you can't affect than playing in one. However, I have every confidence this team will eventually come to form and we will see an upturn in results.

Today we entertain a team who have done just that. Having lost eight and drawn two of their first 12 games, Scunthorpe have seen a revival in their results lately. They have picked up 15 points from a possible 18 and we can learn from that evidence that, once a team has some momentum, they can be dangerous.

It's about time we found some of that momentum. This time last year everyone wrote us off because we were about to lose two of our best players to the Asia Cup. We responded by winning nine out of ten. Please keep the faith.

**Enjoy the game,  
Nathan Thompson  
TEAM CAPTAIN**

THE VISITORS



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# SCUNTHORPE

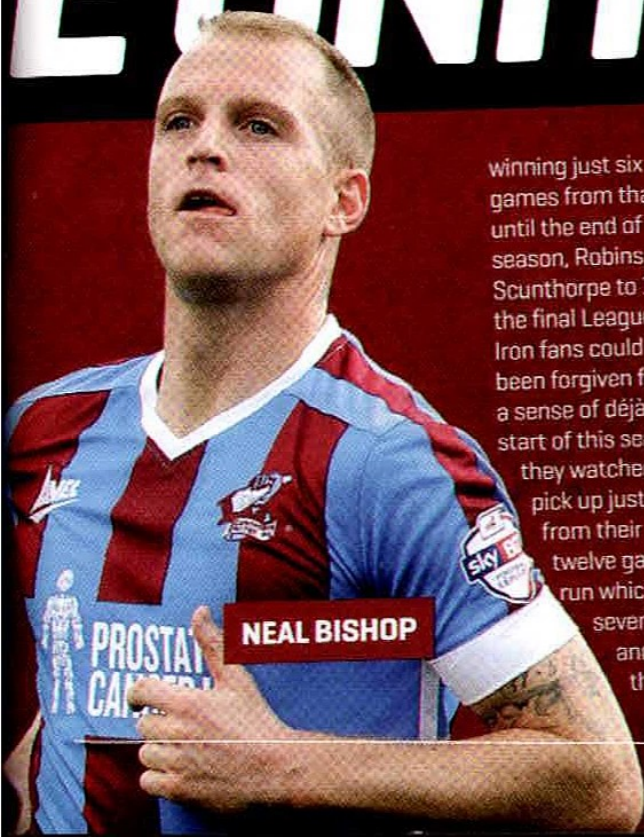
*The Iron arrive at the County Ground on the crest of a wave after a difficult start to their 2015/16 campaign...*

Following promotion from League 2 the season before, goals from Massimo Luongo and Michael Smith gave the Iron a taste of League 1 football on the opening day of 2014/15 as they were beaten 3-1 at the County Ground. While the Iron would show no affection on Valentine's Day later in the season, beating Swindon by the same scoreline, they already had a new manager at the helm. Russ Wilcox, who had guided Scunthorpe back to League 1, was relieved of his duties in early October. Having

presided over the longest unbeaten sequence at the start of a managerial reign the previous campaign [28 matches without defeat], a run of four wins from fifteen games had seen the Iron slip to 23rd in the League 1 table. Step forward Mark Robins, who enjoyed a brilliant start to his reign, losing just one of his opening fifteen games in charge. By the time they lost again, it was already mid-January when Bristol City came away from Glanford Park with all three points. Despite



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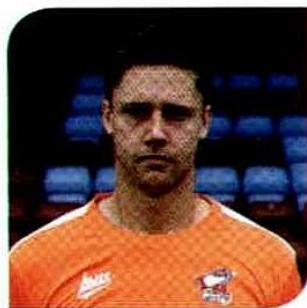


winning just six more games from that point until the end of the season, Robins guided Scunthorpe to 16th in the final League 1 table. Iron fans could have been forgiven for feeling a sense of déjà vu at the start of this season, as they watched their side pick up just two wins from their opening twelve games, a run which included seven defeats and exits from the Capital

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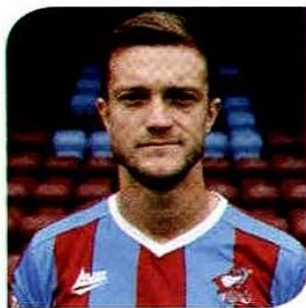
One Cup and the Johnstone's Paint Trophy, both at the hands of Barnsley. However, a 1-0 win over Fleetwood at the start of October has sparked an upturn in fortunes for the Iron as they have lost just one of their last seven games in all competitions. They have won their last three games, conceding just once.

## THE VISITORS



**LUKE DANIELS**

The stopper is a graduate of the academy at West Bromwich Albion, making his full league debut in 2013. He had loan spells at Bristol Rovers, Rochdale, Tranmere, Shrewsbury and with Motherwell north of the border. Brought in by the Iron in January after first choice keepers Sam Slacomb and James Severn both broke their arms in the same match. Made 23 appearances for Scunthorpe last season.



**SCOTT WISEMAN**

The experienced full back, who can also operate in midfield, began his career with hometown club, Hull City. Following spells at Darlington and Rochdale, he signed for Barnsley in 2011. Just seven months after helping the Tykes stay in the Championship, he was released and signed for Preston North End. He was a regular for Simon Grayson's side last season as they clinched promotion to the second tier and joined the Iron in May.



**SCOTT LAIRD**

Laird started his career as a trainee at Plymouth Argyle and spent time on loan at Torquay before moving to Stevenage. He spent four years in Hertfordshire, making over 200 appearances for the club and netting 20 goals. The left-back then earned a move to Preston North End in 2012 and went on to make over a century of appearances at Deepdale before putting pen to paper on a three-year deal with Scunthorpe in the summer.



**DAVID MIRFIN**

Currently enjoying his second spell at Glanford Park having re-joined the club from Watford in the summer of 2012. His first stint with the Iron lasted between 2008 and 2011, where he made over 160 appearances. Mirfin started his career with Huddersfield after graduating from their academy and also had a brief spell with Watford. Did not make one appearance for the club last term after sustaining a knee injury in pre-season.



**NEAL BISHOP**

The midfielder served his apprenticeship in non-league football with the likes of Gateshead and Scarborough before joining Barnet in 2007. He played 95 times for the Bees before spending four years with Notts County, making a total of 193 appearances at Meadow Lane. After a season with Blackpool, he moved to Scunthorpe in June 2014 and was a key part of the Iron's side last season making 44 appearances.



**JACK KING**

A versatile operator, who is comfortable playing in defence, midfield and in attack. King started his career with Swansea City. Made his name in non-league football with the likes of Didcot Town and Farnborough before helping Woking win promotion to the Blue Square Bet Premier division. Was given an opportunity in full-time football by Preston North End who snapped him up in the summer of 2012. Joined the Iron in May 2015.



**LUKE WILLIAMS**

A graduate of the renowned academy at Middlesbrough, Williams made a total of 42 appearances at the Riverside Stadium. During his time on Teeside, he also enjoyed spells on loan at Hartlepool United, Coventry City and Peterborough United as well as with the Iron last term. After his loan at Glanford Park was cut short by an injury, he signed a permanent deal with Scunthorpe in July 2015. The frontman has also been capped at Under-17, Under-19 and Under-20 level for England.



**KEVIN van VEEN**

The striker joined Scunthorpe from Dutch second division side, FC Oss in January 2015. After scoring 16 goals in just 20 games for his former side, on his full debut for the Iron, he netted one of the goals in United's 3-1 defeat of the Town back in February. Has found the net twice for the Iron so far this term.



## ANDREW BOYCE

After signing his first professional contract with Gainsborough Trinity, the defender would spend three years with the club before moving to Lincoln City in 2012. 60 appearances and five goals later, he joined Scunthorpe in 2013. Was a key part of the side last term.

## JORDAN CLARKE

A graduate of the academy at Coventry City, Clarke played 144 times for the Sky Blues, netting four goals. The right full-back - a former England junior international - joined Scunthorpe in January 2015 after making seven appearances for Yeovil at the start of last term.

## SEAN McALLISTER

McAllister started his career at Manchester United before penning his first professional deal with Bolton Wanderers. He has since gone on to play for Sheffield Wednesday, Shrewsbury Town, Port Vale and Cowdenbeath, joining Scunthorpe in the summer of 2013.



**CHARLIE GOODE**

Plucked from non-league Hendon, the highly-rated centre-half put pen to paper on a two-year deal in June 2015 and is an England C international. Having once been part of the youth set-up at Fulham, Goode worked alongside his dad in the family business while playing for AFC Hayes. He joined Ryman Premier League First Division side, Hendon last November where he helped them reach the end of season Play-Off final against Margate.

**GARY McSHEFFREY**

A striker who brings plenty of experience to the Scunthorpe ranks, McSheffrey began his career with Coventry City, finding the back of the net 53 times in 162 games for the Sky Blues. Birmingham City parted with £4 million for his services in 2006, where he spent the next four years of his career. He enjoyed another spell at Coventry, making over a century of appearances before joining Chesterfield. Moved to Scunthorpe during the 2013/14 campaign and helped them clinch promotion to League 1.

# PADDY MADDEN

## DANGER MAN

*A proven striker at League 1 level, R&W takes a closer look at one of Scunthorpe's main attacking threats...*

Beginning his career with Irish side, Bohemians, Madden netted 14 goals in 53 appearances before earning himself a move to Carlisle United in 2011 where he signed a two-and-a-half-year deal with the Cumbrians. He made 32 appearances at Brunton Park before joining Yeovil Town on loan in the 2012/13 season. The frontman hit a rich vein of scoring form during his temporary stint in the West Country, netting 23 goals in just 39 games for the club. His efforts helped fire the Glovers to promotion from League 1 where he scored in their 2-1 win over Brentford in the Play-Off Final at Wembley. After joining the Somerset side on a permanent basis that summer, he fell down the pecking order at Huish Park and joined the Iron in January 2014 where he would soon add another promotion to his CV. After scoring 17 times last season, Madden has already hit the ground running this term with 12 goals to his name in all competitions including a double in last weekend's FA Cup win over Southend United.



### TOMMY ROWE

Formerly in the youth set-up at Manchester United, Rowe rose to prominence at Stockport County, earning himself a move to Peterborough United. A left-sided midfielder by trade, he joined Wolverhampton Wanderers in June 2014 and is currently on loan at Glanford Park.

### DARIUS HENDERSON

A striker who once made a goal-scoring impression at the County Ground during a loan spell, Henderson joined the Iron from Sheffield United in July. Has also plied his trade for the likes of Reading, Watford, Millwall and Leyton Orient.

### TOM HOPPER

Hopper started his career at Boston United, featuring for the Pilgrims at the age of 15. In 2010, he moved to Leicester City, making his Foxes bow against Swindon in the FA Cup in January 2012. Spent time out on loan before joining Scunthorpe on a free transfer in June.

### HAKKEEB ADELAKUN

Joined Scunthorpe's youth system from West Ham United and graduated into the Iron's first team ranks. Became their youngest-ever player when he made his debut in December 2012. Capable of playing on the wings or up front.



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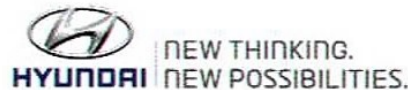
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# MARK ROBINS

Arguably Mark Robins' most famous moment as a player was netting against Nottingham Forest for Manchester United in an FA Cup tie that many regard to be the game that prolonged Sir Alex Ferguson's tenure as manager at Old Trafford and paved the way for two decades of success. The former striker also had spells playing for Norwich City, Leicester City, Rotherham United and Burton Albion before moving into coaching. He was assistant manager at former club, Rotherham then took the reins on a permanent basis, spending two years with the Millers. His next destination was Barnsley before departing the then-Championship side two years later to take charge of Coventry City in September

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2012. He transformed the fortunes of the Sky Blues, taking them from the lower reaches of the table to the brink of the Play-Offs. Huddersfield Town came calling in February 2013 and he steered the Yorkshire side to safety in his two seasons at the helm. He was appointed manager at Glanford Park in October 2014.



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Full backs - Mark Robins likes his full backs to push on and join in with the attacking play.



## Scouting Report

Scunthorpe are likely to line up in a 4-3-3 formation this afternoon. Paddy Madden and Gary McSheffrey are arguably the Iron's biggest attacking threat: Madden tends to drift in off the right flank and joins up with the main striker while McSheffrey tends to keep his width. Madden is also a big threat in the box. Between the pair, Scunthorpe deploy a target man down the middle for the team to work off. Tommy Rowe - on loan from Wolves - is likely to play behind the attacking trio. The other two in midfield (Jack King and Neal Bishop) are likely to form a screen in front of the back four.

# PROGRAMME VAULT

This mid-table clash from the latter part of the 1966/67 season saw future Town great, Frank Burrows and future England goalkeeper, Ray Clemence line up for the Iron. David Sloan opened the scoring for the visitors before Roger Smart levelled matters after the break. Willie Penman struck the winner for Swindon just before the hour mark.

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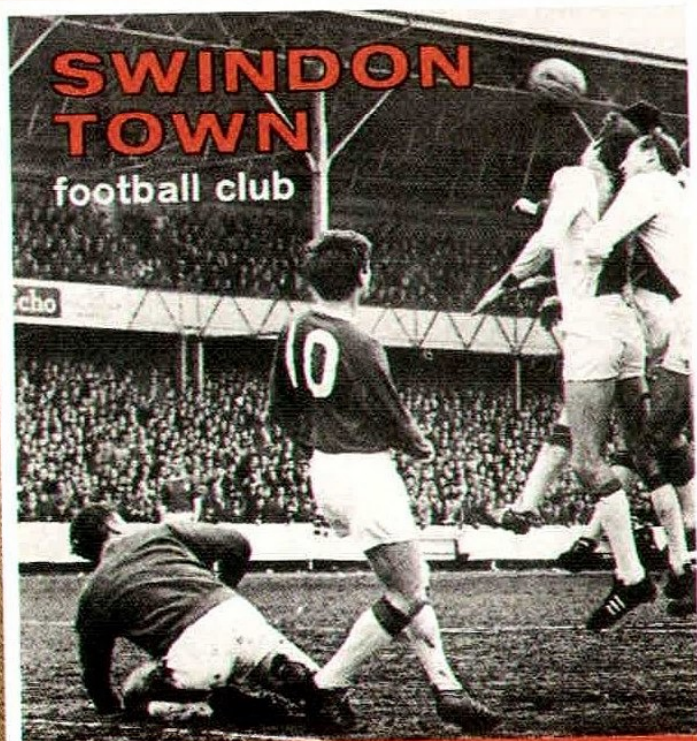
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# COMMERCIAL UPDATE



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*Today is Martin Ling's first home game in charge. Hopefully it is the homecoming he would wish for against Scunthorpe United this afternoon. Let's all get behind him and the team today.*



With Christmas on the radar, now is the perfect time to book matchday hospitality with us. We have a range of packages and they would be ideal as a Christmas gift. A gift certificate can easily be organised for you so you are able to have something to present on Christmas Day. The packages are also just the ticket for any up-and-coming birthdays with a mascot package ideal for juniors aged four to 16 and our celebration and ultimate party packages aimed at the older audience. For more details on how to book please contact Rachel Burt on 0844 880 1094. We also have a number of matchday sponsorships available. Our only match sponsorship left is for the visit of Doncaster Rovers on Tuesday 1st March. However, we still have good availability in the new year for matchball and programme. Also, get in touch to be the first party to sponsor the captain on a matchday. These packages are perfect for businesses looking to reward

staff and clients while at the same time, promoting themselves to thousands of supporters on a matchday. Equally, the packages are successful when celebrating the special occasion of a long-time supporter with memories that families can treasure forever.

We'd like to welcome Be Wiser Insurance who have come back on board with an advertising package and more recently, we also welcome CTS Electrical services and ClearSight limited who are new to the scene here at the County Ground. Thank you for your support. If you are a business looking to promote your services, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We can tailor a package especially for you.

Onto today, we welcome our good friends Dave Cobb Transport Ltd who support us with their second match sponsorship of the season this afternoon. Dave has followed the club's

fortunes for many a season and always helps to build the atmosphere in the 1879 Sponsors Suite whenever they join us. Let's hope for a win today. We know this will help increase your bar bill which is always very healthy anyway! Matchball sponsors today are R J Osman Vehicle Service & Repairs. Russell and Jen are executive season ticket holders in the suite. Today they upgrade to sponsor the matchball as a way of celebrating Russell's retirement. Russell has recently sold his business and we'd like to thank you for your support with sponsorship and advertising across the many seasons when in charge of the chequebook. Enjoy the rest that retirement brings. Finally, to our programme sponsors and key partners, David M Coe Financial Planning Ltd. Thank you and enjoy your day as we know you normally always do.

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**vs DONCASTER**  
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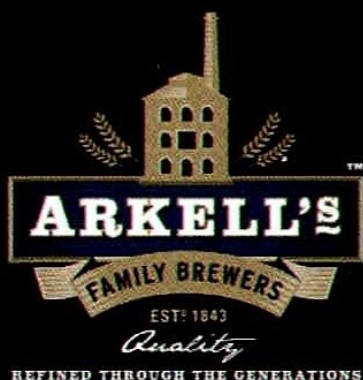
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**How pleased are you to be back on familiar territory where you enjoyed success as a player?**

It will be lovely going back to the County Ground. The memories I have there as a player will come flooding back to me on Saturday. It's something that's really going to make the hairs on the back of my neck stand up, coming back to a club where I had so much success as a player, to now be the manager to get us moving forward again.

**What are your standout memories of your playing spell here?**

The most standout one is the Wembley final when we beat Leicester City 4-3 - I'm sure the older Swindon fans will remember that - but just playing at the County Ground when we played there was always a great atmosphere. The crowd were the 12th man for us. They bought into Glenn Hoddle's style of play and what we were looking to do. It was a really effective, forward-thinking team that created other teams trouble and the fans were a big component of what we did back in those days.

**Nearly 25 years on are you hoping to turn the clock back**

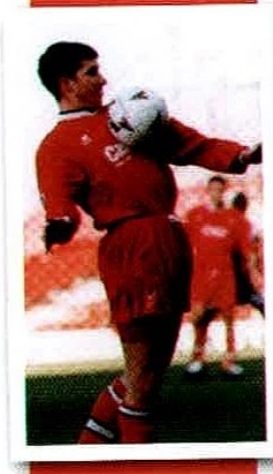
**to the style and success of that era?**

It sounds a long time ago but when you think about it we went up in 1993. The be-all and end-all is that I'm not here to be the new Glenn Hoddle in terms of the creation of the team. However, a lot of my beliefs and way of playing the game are instilled from that time. It was a time where I was allowed to express myself as a player. I was an expressive type of player and we were given the license to go out there and do that: express yourself. That's what I want to do to my players. I want to get them organised - which we were (under Glenn) - but I want to give them the license to go and express themselves on a football pitch and impose our game on other teams.

**It must be a tremendous boost having two coaches that have the same beliefs...?**

The chairman talks about the philosophy of the club and, let's be fair, it's a big part of why I'm sitting here today but in Luke Williams and Ross Embleton, we've got two coaches that think the same way. It was no good me coming into this football club and having a different

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thought process to Luke. Ross has come in and he's worked with me as a youth coach at Orient and we worked together at the Tottenham Foundation but he also knows Luke and knows how Luke works. All three of us know each other and all three of us sing off the same song sheet - that's the first thing you've got to have as a coaching staff. We have that in place and we've all got a belief in how football should be played. We will have different opinions on who should be playing in the team but it will be an open forum and everyone will have a say on what could work at the weekend. Obviously you've got to look at the opponents too but the be-all and end-all, the picking of the side and the tactics and how we'll go into the game is all down to me. We're a very tight knit unit which is going to work closely together but also be productive for this football club.

**How pleasing was it to be stood on the touchline again at Rochdale last weekend?**

It would have been great if we'd have won the game but it's the buzz on a Saturday morning, the feeling of going back into the dressing room and that smell and aroma of



MARTIN LING



the dressing room was so pleasing to have back. It's been a long time – it's actually January 2013 the last time I was stood on a touchline so it's coming up to three years in January. It's a bit like riding a bike: it all comes back to you but you forget that adrenaline buzz that you get inside when you are preparing a team to go out and win a game of football and it's nice to have that back.

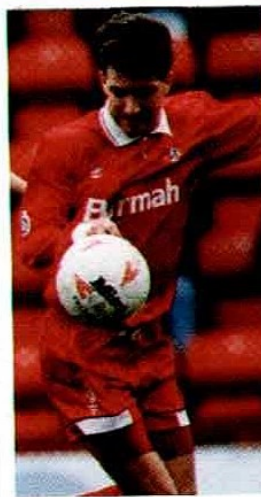
**Personally, it's been well-documented that you've had a difficult time over the past couple of years...**

What I hope this eventually does, by coming into football, is that the depression is talked about less. I'm more than happy to talk about it but I had an illness and there has been no sign of that illness since March 2013 so we are talking two years and seven months now. It will stop people seeing me and saying "how are you?" I was going to games either working for the press or scouting and the first question anyone asked me was "how are you?" I talked openly about it and I think I kept some of it alive because I wanted people to understand that it's a disease you can deal with but, by doing that, it makes people feel that it was only yesterday. The fact is, I've done a lot of work around it for the League Managers Association and the FA and it's made people think it's more recent. It's part of me - I can't deny it - but I think it makes me a better and a stronger person by having it. I now feel like I'm talking about a third party, the person that was in the illness, so that's nice.

**You've been in the job for over a week now. Have you enjoyed being involved with players day-to-day again?**

It's been a hectic week. When you first come into a

**"There's some stuff that needs sorting out but it's no good going in with a stick straight away and changing things around."**



club you're getting to know players, you're getting to know staff and the way the club works. There's some stuff that needs sorting out but it's no good going in with a stick straight away and changing things around. There are some bits I've talked to the coaching staff about: things I want doing differently and the players buying into a method of getting football played but also a method of discipline in-and-around the training ground. That will all come in time. We'll get this training ground shipshape and how I want it then we'll take that into the games.

**What about the supporters – you've already mentioned that you're looking forward to coming back to the County Ground so what messages do you have for them?**

They were always brilliant for us. I know it's been a difficult time recently but I would say it's a new start so let's all pull together. We need that 12th man pulling in the right direction. I keep saying that we're in a false position but we are. After sixteen games in this league, we are second bottom and the only way we get out of this is by pulling together and they are massively important for us to get us over the edge. When your side is not doing that well performance-wise the fans become more important. It's easy to support a team when everything is rosy in the garden and everything is good. Your true supporters come out when you really need them.





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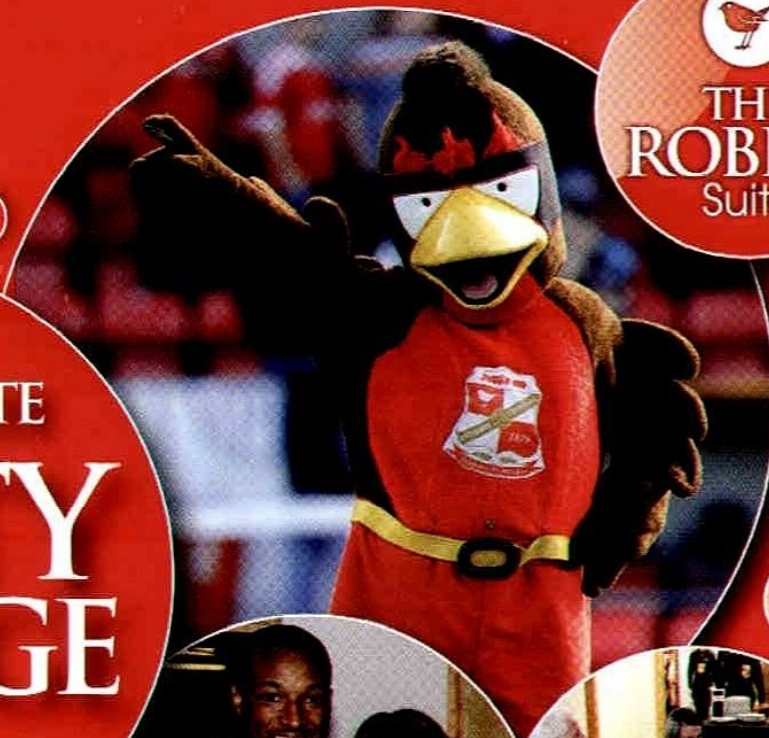
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## STEVE HALE

*Over the past few weeks I've seen Joe Hart (400 professional appearances) and John Ruddy (300 professional appearances) in the Premier League both make mistakes from crosses that have resulted in goals.*

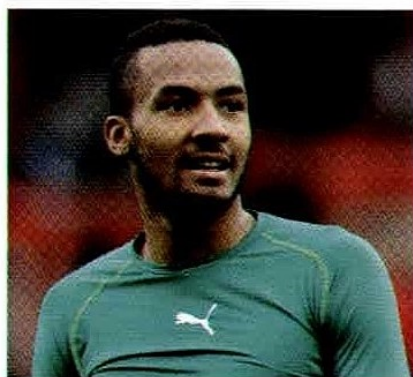
I've seen Heurelho Gomes (350 professional appearances) make a simple handling error that resulted in a goal and one of the top goalkeepers in League 1, Richard O'Donnell (180 professional appearances) make a simple handling error in the FA Cup for Wigan that resulted in a goal. These are experienced goalkeepers who have also made countless brilliant saves and kept their teams in games.

Our two goalkeepers, Lawrence Vigouroux (17 professional appearances) and Tyrell Belford (15 professional appearances) have limited experience in terms of appearances and are just starting out in their careers. They will make mistakes that result in goals but, as with the other goalkeepers mentioned, will also produce moments of brilliance as Lawrence has done already this season keeping us in games.

Lawrence has come from Premier League academy Under-21 football where the amount of crosses he will have faced will be nowhere near what he will face in League 1 so it's a big learning curve for him. At the start of the season he was very dominant on his crosses. He has just recently had a blip and the little bit of luck he has needed (where on another occasion, the ball might be cleared) he has not had.

**In my opinion, dealing with crosses is the hardest element of a goalkeeper's game because there are so many variables which have an impact on the goalkeeper:**

- Right foot /left foot crosser and in-swing /out-swing



- Deep, medium or close to the byeline crosses
- Driven, whipped or lofted crosses
- Quality and physical size of opposition players
- Sun, rain and wind
- The ball itself - modern balls move so much. The FA Cup balls move even more and have a ridiculous slippery coating to them

The physical attributes of a goalkeeper sometimes have an effect as well and some people have misconceptions based purely on size. Lawrence is 6ft 4", Wes Foderingham is 6ft and Tyrell Belford is 6ft 1.5". All three differ slightly in that Ty is very powerful when jumping, Wes has great speed and spring and Lawrence has natural height. Although many assume big goalkeepers are better for crosses, many have to work hard on the speed of their footwork and can't just rely on size. In the first 10 games of last season, Wes dealt with 28 crosses and, in the first ten games of this season, Lawrence dealt with 23 crosses. Obviously, they may not have faced the same amount of crosses.

Every week in training, myself and the

four goalkeepers (two professionals and two scholars) work on all the aspects of their game: shot-stopping, 1v1 situations, distribution and dealing with crosses. As a goalkeeping coach, the crossing practises are normally the hardest ones to deliver because, as a group of goalkeepers working together, it's hard to create the realism they face in a match with the challenges involved from the opposition. I recently purchased a rugby tackle pad and have started giving the goalkeepers a battering with that as they try and claim crosses! Recently, Luke Williams and myself have started working more with the back four and Lawrence against the attackers to help re-create that intensity to assist Lawrence's learning and his cohesion with the back four. We will continue to do this to try and make them a more effective unit which will take time and hard work on the training pitch but I firmly believe Lawrence will return to his early season form.

This is my first set of notes since previous manager, Mark Cooper left the club. It was a disappointment for me individually as in my nine years at the club so far, he gave me the opportunity to add to my academy work with first team duties so I will always be thankful to him for that and wish him well. As a supporter of the club since my childhood and my days stood on the terraces, it's also great to welcome the new Gaffer as I watched him many a time buzz around the midfield in the 90's and I look forward to working with him.

**Steve Hale**  
HEAD OF GOALKEEPING

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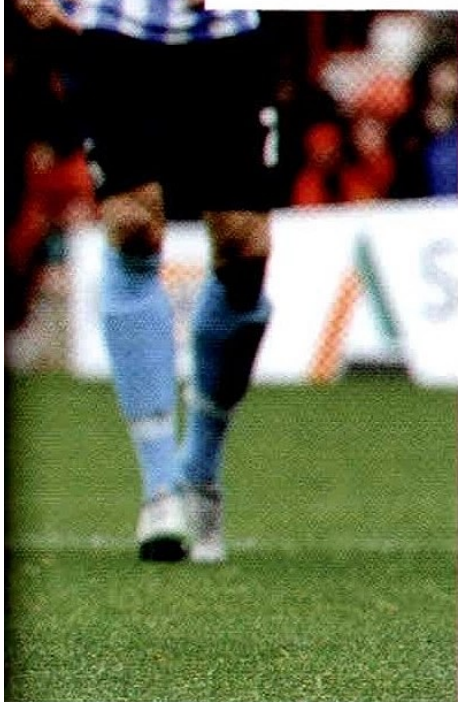


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Neal Gough was 60 on November 11th and has supported Swindon Town since he was a young boy. Not only has he attended the County Ground for every home match but he has also kept all the match day programmes, so to see his name in this particular one to celebrate his 60th birthday is going to be very special. With love from all your family and friends.

Congratulations to Adam Collier on your new arrival from all your friends and family as well as everyone at Swindon Town. Thank you for your continued support of Swindon Town FC.

Happy Birthday Nenad – Nenad Grujic moved to Norway from Bosnia during the civil war in 1993. He started to follow the ups and downs of the Norwegian national team, and the player that caught his eye was one Jan Age Fjortoft. At that time Fjortoft had just moved to Swindon Town and, just of late, Nenad had talked a lot about his wish to visit Fjortoft's old club.



As a group we therefore made the decision to surprise him by celebrating his 40th birthday in the 1879 Sponsor's Suite at the County Ground today. Have a great birthday, from Borre, Torstein and Knut Ola.

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## MASCOT

**Name:** Freddie Carter  
**Age:** 9  
**School:** Ruskin Junior School  
**Teams played for:** Stratton Juniors  
**Hobbies/likes:** Football, swimming, drumming, drawing, minecraft



## MASCOT

**Name:** Jake Baker  
**Age:** 10  
**School:** Rodbourne Cheney Primary School  
**Teams played for:** Lydiard Youth Spartans Under-10s  
**Hobbies/likes:** Football, martial art, cricket  
**Favourite Town player:** Nicky Ajose



## MASCOT

**Name:** Ashley Bailey  
**Age:** 9  
**School:** Aloeric Primary School, Melksham  
**Teams played for:** Melksham Town  
**Hobbies/likes:** Football and rugby  
**Favourite Town player:** Jon Obika





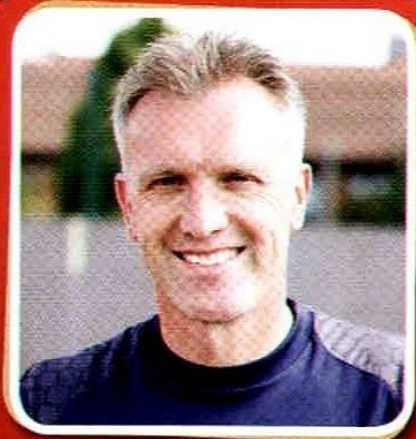
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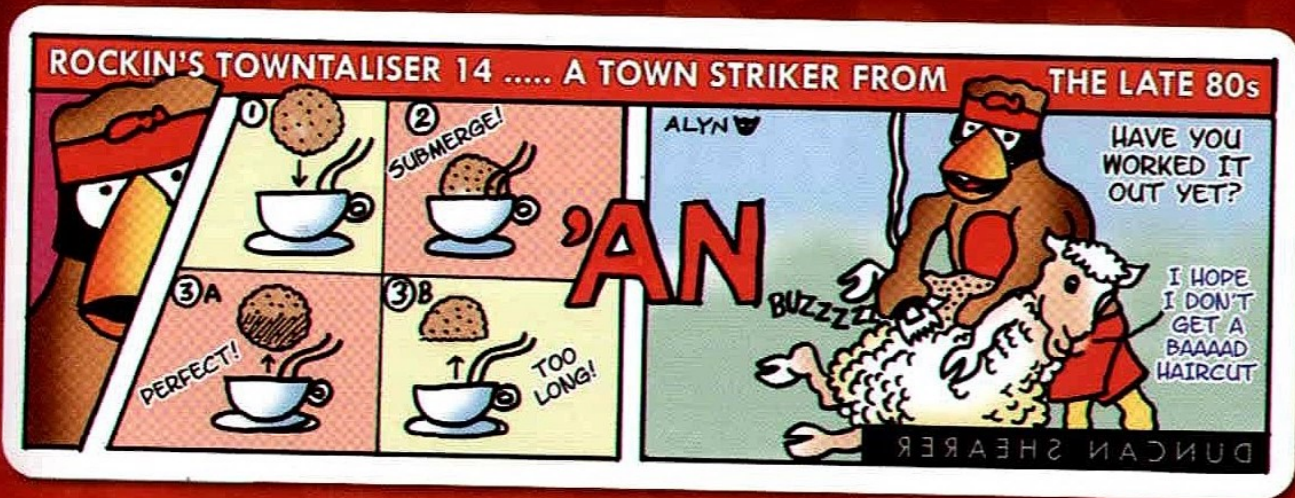
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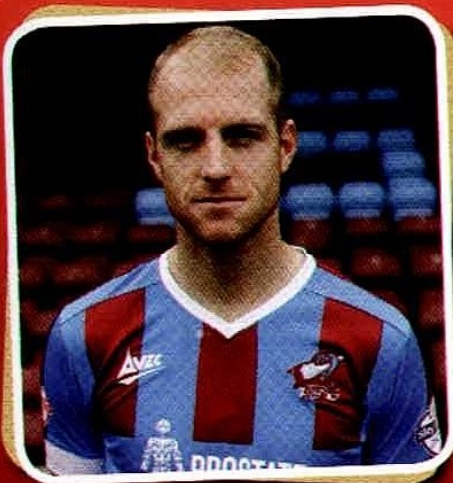
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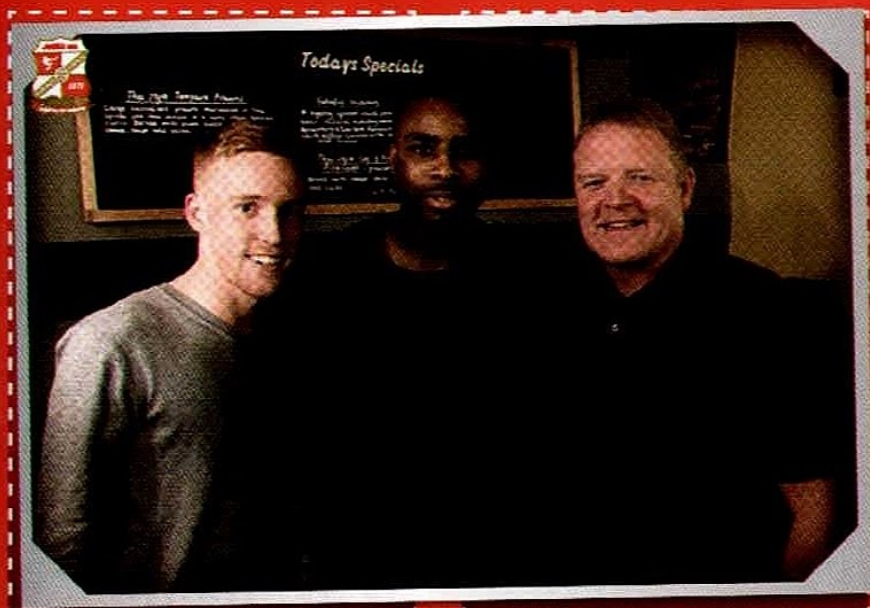
Happy birthday to Luke Masero who is celebrating his 10th birthday. Luke is here today with his club, Bradford Town Youth and will be playing on the pitch at half time.



Happy Birthday to Rebecca Harris who was 12 on the 9th November. With love from mum, Sam.



Happy birthday to Oliver Messenger! Oliver loves his football and has been playing with the Swindon DSActive football team for 12 years. He is a keen Swindon supporter and is a big Nathan Thompson fan after peeling potatoes with him last Christmas! Oliver loves music and drama and keeps everyone smiling around him with his wicked sense of humour.



Last Tuesday, Jamie Brophy, Jon Obika and Phil King were present at the Fox in Denchworth for the Swindon Town Supporters Club dinner, organised by Mavis Knight. Everyone had a fabulous evening!

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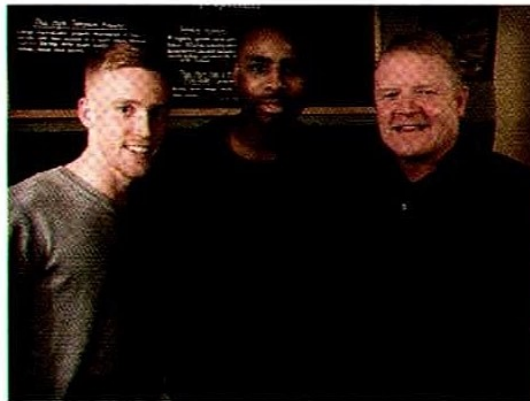
### 50/50 DRAW RESULTS V COVENTRY

**1st ticket** - P. Stapleton of Chippenham won £500 with ticket 1319

**2nd ticket** - H.Stroud of Swindon won £55 with ticket 382

We will have a job matching last year's total on the 50/50 draw as we are now out of all the cups and therefore, fewer games to play and less income. So please continue to buy the tickets because we need your support.

Last week we lost in the cup at Rochdale. At the moment we are struggling due to injuries etc but we are a very young side - the whole team last week have made fewer than 200 starts between them so results will hopefully improve with experience.



Mavis Knight recently hosted a fundraising evening at The Fox at Denchworth where we were joined by James Brophy and Jonathan Obika. Both were quizzed with some light-hearted questions and answers from MC, Phil King after a most enjoyable carvery meal.

At the last game, we were delighted to have as our guest, Sam Burton - a veteran of over 500 games between 1947 and 1961. Now aged 89, he thoroughly enjoyed his visit and supporters were delighted to meet him.

Sometimes we all think the three points is all we worry about but the day with Sam saw the other side of what it means as supporters chatted to Sam and loved his tales.

I have received a letter from his daughter thanking us for such an enjoyable day. It meant so much to Sam and his family.

**Roger Bunce**  
SUPPORTERS CLUB CHAIRMAN

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# SWINDON 3 SCUNTHORPE 0

Division 2, 24 August 1963

**“Ernie Hunt, Swindon’s 27-goal top scorer in the previous campaign, continued where he had left off by opening his account in the 16th minute.”**

After gaining promotion for the first time ever in the May, Town were cheered on by a near 18,500 crowd as they ran out for their first game in the second tier of the League.

Scunthorpe were embarking on their sixth season in the Second Division since becoming the last ever champions of the Third North in 1958.

Of the eleven who had represented Town in the final game of 1962/63, Bert Head named ten in his line-up. The only change came at outside-left, where expensive new signing Graham French was expected to feature.

But the England Youth international was injured and the slot went to another highly rated teenager – Don Rogers.

Ernie Hunt, Swindon’s 27-goal top scorer in the previous campaign, continued where he had left off by opening his account in the 16th minute.



Ernie Hunt

Bobby Woodruff hurled one of his long throws deep into the area and the visitors were forced into conceding a corner. Rogers’ flag-kick picked out Roger Smart and his lob was headed home by Hunt (pictured above).

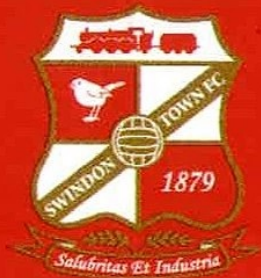
The number eight almost doubled his tally five minutes before the break but Jack Brownsword headed away from under the crossbar.

However, midway through the second period Rogers – who had hit the bar earlier – and Smart combined again to provide Hunt with his brace, a first time volley that flashed past keeper Brian Reeves.

By this time, Town were down to only ten fit men, amateur centre-forward John Stevens having suffered a knee injury with half an hour still to play.


But, with no substitutes available at that time, he was forced to change places with Mike Summerbee and limp up and down the right wing.

Swindon still managed to find another goal though – and it was Stevens who claimed it! With just a minute of normal time remaining, he headed home a Rogers corner.



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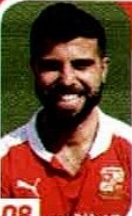
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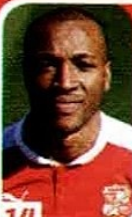

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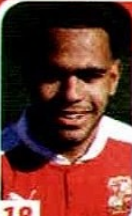
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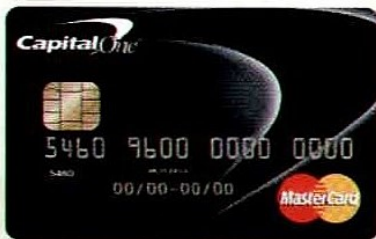
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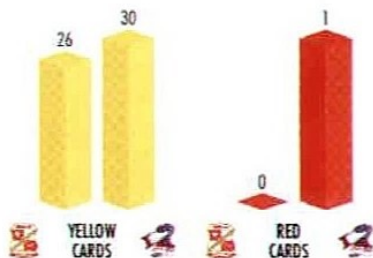
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**SCUNTHORPE UNITED**



## MATCH FACTS

Swindon have never lost a league match at home to Scunthorpe (W5 D6).



## MATCH FACTS

Scunthorpe's last clean sheet against the Robins came in 1984, going 11 games without one.



GOALS



AV. GOALS PER GAME



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% SHOTS ON TARGET



CLEAN SHEETS



% GOALS TO SHOTS



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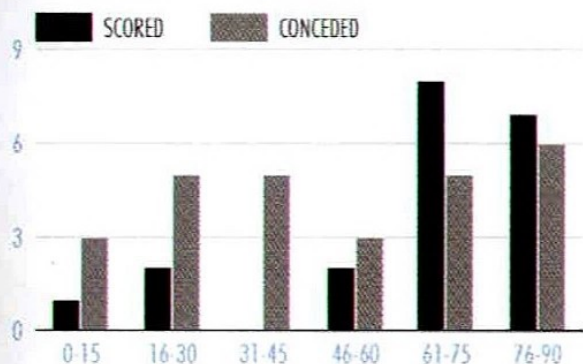


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## GOAL TIMES



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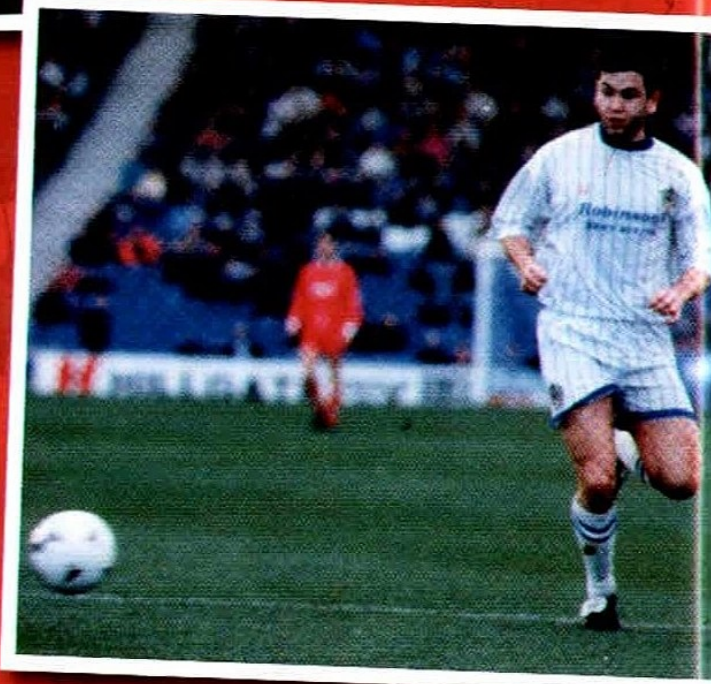
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**"HE THEN STRUCK  
A CONFIDENT  
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AND INTO THE  
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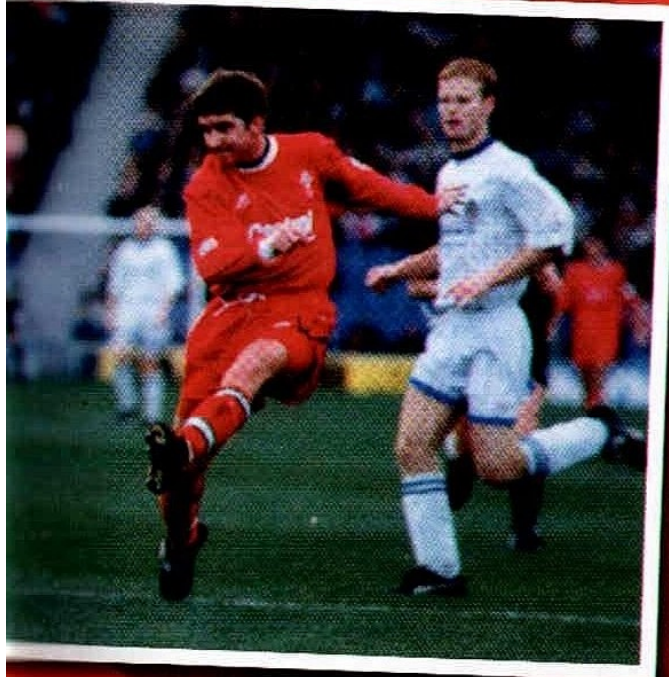
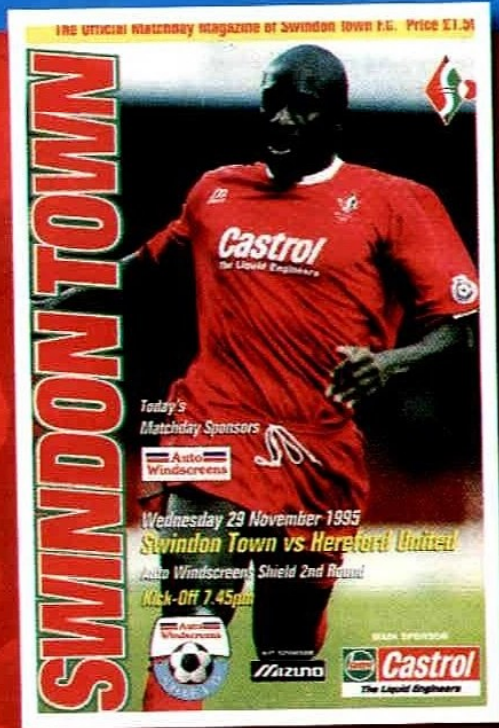
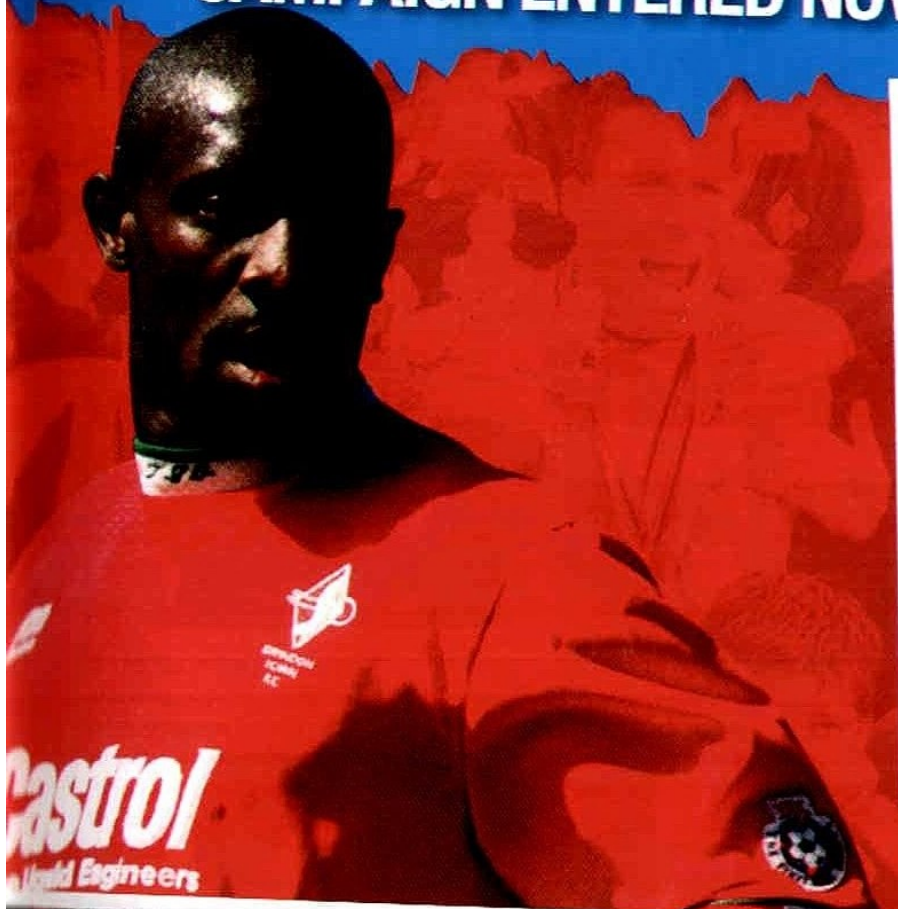
An autumnal trip to Stockport County was next on Town's agenda, with the Division Two leaders looking to extend their advantage at the top of the table. Swindon found the going tough against a County side who found themselves in the upper part of mid-table and the visitors had to withstand some sustained pressure in the first half. However, right on half time, Jim Gannon sliced an attempted clearance perfectly into the path of Wayne Allison who strode away unchallenged towards the County goal with a defender in hot pursuit. He then struck a confident drive beyond the goalkeeper and into the net to give Town the lead. The second half followed a similar pattern: more pressure from the home side resulted in an effort hitting the crossbar. Alun Armstrong also headed wide before the hosts drew level in the 86th minute. Ian Helliwell, on as a substitute, headed in a cross to earn the home side a share of the spoils.

The other 'STFC' were the next visitors to SN1 and would go on to inflict a first (and only) home defeat of the season on Steve McMahon's men. Shrewsbury's Richard Scott



1995/96

# TABLE-TOPPING TOWN SHOWED NO SIGNS OF LETTING THEIR TITLE CHARGE SLIP AS THE 1995/96 CAMPAIGN ENTERED NOVEMBER...



sidefooted home the only goal of the game at the County Ground as the Shrews came away with all three points. "Shrewsbury came here and pinched a win," seethed McMahon in his next set of programme notes. "It just frustrated me that teams can come here and play such negative football."

The player/manager's mood would hardly have improved by the time Town's next 90 minutes was up. Hereford United came to town in the Auto Windscreens Shield second round and it was to be a former Swindon great that would send the 1995/96 vintage crashing out of the competition with a 1-0 defeat. A cross from the right wasn't dealt with in the box and Steve 'Chalky' White, resplendent in shorts pulled up over hip height, pounced to drive the ball in via a deflection off Fraser Digby before wheeling away with his arms in the air - a trademark celebration that oft graced the County Ground in seasons past - sparking a round of applause from the home crowd. How many former players would manage to draw such a positive reaction on their goalscoring return to SN1? Town huffed and puffed in the second half but couldn't break down the Bulls leaving McMahon with plenty to do before the visit of Cardiff City in the FA Cup.



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All the talk in the past couple of weeks or so has been about the new manager and we're sure the vast majority of Town fans were very happy to see Martin Ling appointed into the hot-seat.

Although last weekend's FA Cup game at Rochdale didn't see the perfect start, many of you will remember him as a player in the early nineties when he starred in one of our most successful sides ever and that will hopefully guarantee him a warm welcome.

He ticks a lot of boxes, not only through the local connection, but he's had success as a manager in the past, is vastly experienced and has some great contacts throughout the football world, where he is equally well respected and liked.

Having been out of the managerial game for some time, he has shown great

courage to get himself back on track and he sounds fresh and full of enthusiasm to get going, which can only be a good thing for Swindon Town.

It would be great to hear "We are Lingy's Red and White Army" booming around the County Ground when he steps out for the first time as our home team manager today. Please make the effort to give him some extra special vocal support and, as we always say - "Let's get the County Ground rocking!"

In other news, October 25th saw the 70th Birthday of Don Rogers. We visited him in his shop and presented him with a birthday cake on behalf of all Swindon Town fans.

Our special thanks go to Marion Childers, who did a fantastic job creating a cake depicting one of his goals from that glorious day in March 1969.

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Don was delighted with the gesture and we made a video of the presentation which you can see by visiting our Facebook page (Trust STFC) or via our website ([www.truststfc.com](http://www.truststfc.com)). Around 9,000 people have watched the video online and many fans took to social media to wish him all the best. There was a great warmth in every single message.

Finally, we are currently looking to arrange some football days out for local charitable organisations, so if you represent one of these groups please get in touch.

This is all part of bringing the club and community closer together and is supported by donations given via [www.redarmyfund.co.uk](http://www.redarmyfund.co.uk). If you haven't yet signed up to make a regular monthly donation, please do so and help us make even greater progress off the field.

ROSS EMBLETON

A portrait of Ross Embleton, a man with dark hair and a slight beard, looking directly at the camera. He is wearing a black and white Puma football jacket with red accents on the sleeves. The jacket features the Puma logo on the left chest and the Swindon Town crest on the right chest. The crest is shield-shaped with a red and white design and the year '1879' at the bottom. The background is a red brick wall. The word 'IMAGINE' is faintly visible in large, orange letters across the middle of the image.

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# ROSS EMBLETON



## Reunited with former colleagues at SN1, the latest addition to Town's coaching team admits that he's excited by what the future holds at the County Ground.

Embleton worked as a coach alongside Luke Williams at Leyton Orient with the pair both under the stewardship of Martin Ling and says that he is looking forward to the opportunity of working with people who share the same footballing philosophy.

"Extremely familiar in terms of Martin and Luke - I worked with them both for a number of years in different times across my career and it's fantastic to come into an opportunity like this as first team coach with two people that are known quite well to me.

"One thing for any partnership or team of coaches when you work together, you want to make sure you're all working towards the same thing, for the same outcome in the same way. Although you share different opinions, it's nice to know that people with similar views are going to be able to work together."

He added: "I can't wait [to get started]. I've been here a few days and can see that the groups of

staff are going to fit into that as well, so exciting times."

Embleton then revealed how his career had brought him to the County Ground.

"I started at Leyton Orient as a young player. I was never really good enough to be honest but found a passion and interest in coaching as soon as I left school. I spent a long time at Orient as a kid from the age of 11 then worked my way through community departments and became Head of Youth or what would probably be known as an Academy Manager now. I did that for three years under Martin [Ling] then moved onto Tottenham where I spent three years managing age groups across the academy. It was before the EPPP programme but it was within that academy structure of eight to 16-year olds. I left there to take up a good opportunity for me at the time, at AFC Bournemouth. The club was heading in the right direction after some rough times and it was a fantastic club to work for and a fantastic area to live in."

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"Circumstances changed is the simplest way to describe what happened when I was down there," he continued. "There was a managerial change - I worked closely with Eddie Howe and the Under-21s for a little while but then due to politics at boardroom level, my job was taken away and I lost that job. I went on to Norwich from there as a Head of Regional Recruitment which covered all recruitment from grass roots all the way through to Category One players. It was an interesting year because it wasn't coaching, it was going out and watching games and getting an understanding of players across the country from age 12 to first team level. It was different to anything I'd ever done before.

"For the past 16 months I've been working at Tottenham Hotspur on the global programme. So I've been really fortunate to travel across the world: China, USA and Europe leading some of the programmes there. I've also been managing a football and education programme because it was important for me to keep coaching. So I was out three days a week coaching players from 16-19 which, from a selfish perspective, kept me out there making sure I was working regularly as a coach. Alongside that, I did a coach development role so I was pulling together a curriculum for all coaches and working to develop the young coaches. And now here I am!"

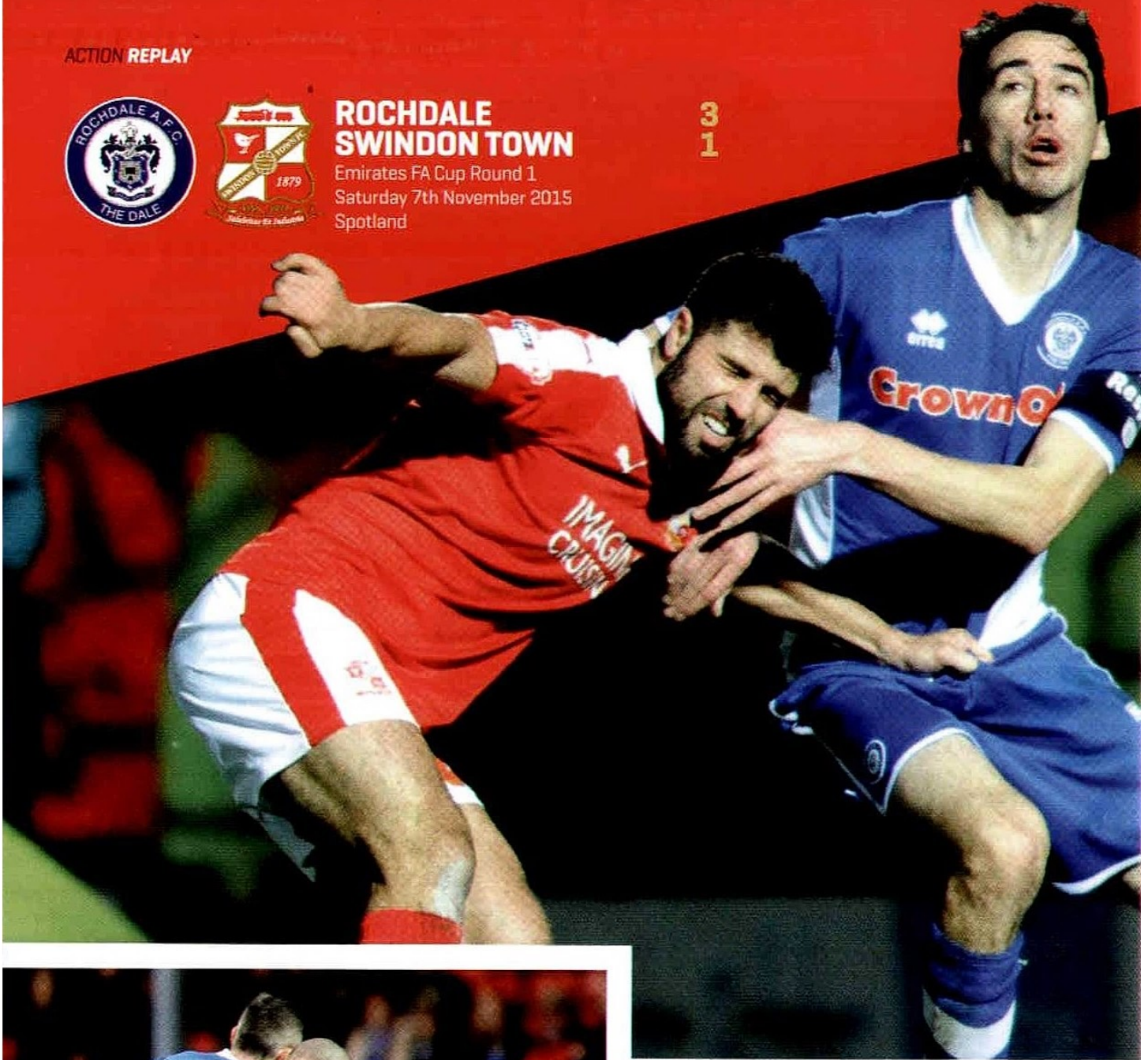
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## JEREMY NEWTON

*I'd like to start by welcoming Martin Ling back to the football club. I know Martin is a believer in giving youth a chance so hopefully, as and when, I'm sure we will see him involved with the academy players as well as the first team.*



It's been a very busy period as usual within the academy structure with a large variety of games across the age groups. This has seen our Under-10s, 13s and 14s recently play Liverpool, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Swansea City. Our 13s and 16s also faced Chelsea and Arsenal respectively. We're fortunate that the Under-16s were allowed to play this fixture. The schools have been fantastic with the players - although in their GCSE year - being granted time off to play against Arsenal. It's different with our 13s as, on Tuesday, they are on their Day Release Programme. They came to school at 9am where they had an education session for the first two hours followed by lifestyle and analysis then lunch. In the afternoon they had a strength and conditioning

session followed by a psychology module before we left to go to Cobham to play Chelsea.

The Under-14s are on the same programme but this week have no game so they will finish the day with a core coaching session out on the grass. The Under-15s have recently played Swansea and, earlier this week, played Wolverhampton Wanderers at the new Wootton Bassett Town ground. This gives the players an opportunity to play under the lights which sounds simple but it is a whole new experience against a Category One team. Hopefully this is something that they will get used to along with the crowd watching them too. It is hoped we can further utilise Wootton Bassett Town's fantastic facilities in drawing other Premier League and Category One opposition to play. Our

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Under-12s are now the third age group to be included in the Day Release Programme which sees them coming out for half a day to our Lydiard Park Academy base. They cover sports science, psychology, analysis, lifestyle and core coaching. The key to the whole Day Release Programme is to increase contact time as well as expand their knowledge not just of football-related scenarios but also teaching them about lifestyle and media skills too. It is important that the schools, parents, players and the club all work together to help them achieve their academic grades as well as being part of the programme. We are in constant dialogue with the schools. Our Head of Education contacts every school making sure that every player is attaining the maximum grades possible. The school will then send reports that we include on our development report for the players, parents and academy staff.

This weekend sees the schoolboy programme play against Cheltenham with the Under-16s and Under-18s playing Bristol Rovers.

**Jeremy Newton**  
ACADEMY MANAGER





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## SCOTT LINDSEY

*Despite the defeat, there were certain areas of the development game against Newport County in midweek that were really positive.*

Firstly, it was a mixture of youth team players and young professionals and it was good for game time for the likes of Wes Thomas who has just come back from injury and Jermaine Hylton. Usually when a team is thrown together like that it can become frustrating because everyone is at a different standard but I was really pleased on Tuesday, especially in the first half. We're all beginning to have an understanding of how we play and where we need to be positionally so we can find exit routes to try and hurt the opposition. Coming in at half time we talked about being a bit more ruthless in the final third and trying to make the 'keeper work and having a purpose behind everything we do. It was a little bit untidier in the second half and we didn't take responsibility on a few things that cost us the goals, which is something we spoke about afterwards. We want to play football the way we do - we don't want to change that - but we've got to turn into a bit more of a winning machine and be a bit more ruthless in

the final third. We also need to be a bit more professional in the defensive third to do a job. That might be something as simple as picking someone up on a set piece but that could be the difference between winning and losing.


The Under-18s have just come out of an unbeaten run. We went to Cheltenham in the FA Youth Cup and were beaten which was disappointing. I've tried to get across to the players to not dwell on it too much because I want to carry on with that winning mentality - I don't want to focus on the defeat. Let's not think we're in a bad place because we're not. The boys are doing ok and it's a difficult time of the year for them. They're worrying about the future - certainly the second years are starting to think about whether decisions are being made so they get a bit anxious but we have to try and nurture them in a way that they're still enjoying their football. At this club they always will enjoy it because of the philosophy.

I suppose, in many ways, today's match against Scunthorpe means more to me than usual. I was brought up in Scunthorpe and played for the club as a youth player. My dad, Keith was a professional there and my uncle Barry was a pro there too. In fact my uncle played his entire career at Scunthorpe United. It's a special place for me because it's where I was brought up and the first time I was coached properly was at that football club. I have some fond memories of playing for the youth and reserve team there. It was a good two years of my life where I learned a lot as a footballer and as a person. It was my first experience of professional football: how you behave and what goes on. It was a good learning experience for me especially it being a club my dad and uncle played for.

**Scott Lindsey**  
UNDER-18S MANAGER



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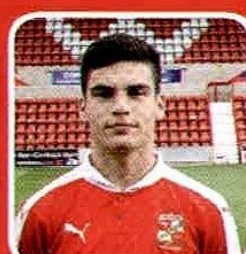
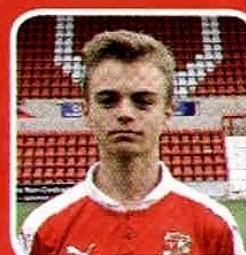
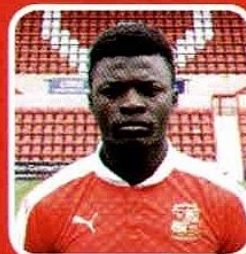
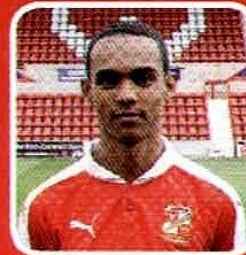
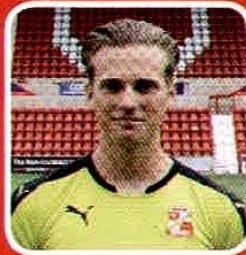
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# STFC LADIES & GIRLS DEVELOPMENT



## GIRLS DEVELOPMENT

What a few weeks it's been for the STFC Women and Girls programme. Swindon Town FITC played host to some of the best female teams from the south of England which showed that the STFC Girls Centre for Excellence are now a force in Elite Female Football.

Town competed with Swansea City, Plymouth Argyle, Tottenham Hotspur, Charlton Athletic, Portsmouth and a South Wales Representative side in seven age groups from Under-10s to Under-16s. Incredibly, our girls appeared in six out of the seven finals.

I am over the moon with the results and the performances from all of our teams. Jon [Holloway] and myself had set a target of three finals so this was just fantastic. Female football is now firmly on the map in Wiltshire and these successes will give us confidence before we embark on trips to Gothenburg and Barcelona next year in search of European trophies to add to our recent haul.



## STFC LADIES

Town Ladies marched through to the first round proper of the Women's FA cup after beating league rivals, Larkhall Athletic 3-2 away from home. After an evenly-contested opening 20 minutes, the eventual opener came from Sally Butterfield who beat the offside trap to calmly slot past the advancing 'keeper. The Ladies managed to double their advantage just before half time when Chyna Collings headed home from a Michelle Rich free-kick. Chances were few and far between during the second half but on 75 minutes, Larkhall reduced the deficit to one, before the two-goal cushion was restored on 85 minutes when Michelle Rich scored directly from a corner. Town had to work hard to fend off the constant assault that was being thrown at them and on 90 minutes Larkhall were awarded a weak penalty which was converted to make the score 3-2, making the final minutes a nervy affair.



Manager, Steve Robertson said afterwards: "We have played the top of the league team twice in cup games now and beaten them both times - that is the standard we have set ourselves. The game was lucky to be on so to get the win we are very pleased." The Ladies have been drawn away to the winners of Old Actonians or Southampton Saints in the next round. The tie will be played on Sunday, December 6.

The Development and U18s squads added to the success of the weekend by winning the fixtures they competed in. The Development squad eased to a 10-0 win away to Frome Town Reserves in the Wiltshire County League. The result saw the ladies side go third in the table where Amy Baines led the charge for Town with four goals while Amy Jolliffe bagged a brace. The scoring was completed with strikes from Molly Craig, Fran Jenkins, Alex Gibson and Emma O'Hagan. The U18s travelled to Moretonville FC in the league cup and a great performance saw the girls winning by five goals to three. The scorers were Meghan, Mia, Helena, Nat W and Sophie.

### Two of our teams are in league action this weekend:

First Team - Home to Exeter City LFC. K.O. 2pm, Shrivenham FC

Development - Trowbridge Wanderers LFC. K.O. 2pm, Lambourne Sports club

**"Female football is now firmly on the map in Wiltshire and these successes will give us confidence before we embark on trips..."**

We were delighted that Jermaine Hylton took time out to come out and visit the STFC Mini Girls Academy at Stratton this week. We know that Jermaine was extremely impressed with the girls who are aged between five and eight years. These player visits always boost our players' confidence and inspire them to work harder so a big thank you to STFC for their support.

Congratulations to Lavington School for winning the Girls Futsal Cup at Dorcan this week, who featured STFC's CFFE Under-16s striker, Beth Kelloway. The girls will now progress to an area final in January 2016 with the hope of progressing to the national final. STFC would like to wish the girls the best of luck for the future rounds of the tournament.

Enjoy the game,

**Shane Hewlett**  
FEMALE FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

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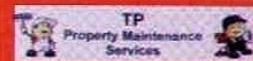
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**“He was an extremely valuable member of our DSAActive football team that train every Wednesday at the Haydon Centre and he will be sadly missed by us all.”**

Today we extend a warm FITC welcome to Alex Pilkington and all his players and parents from Bradford Town Youth Football Club. This morning they have been put through their paces over at St. Joseph's Catholic College where they have enjoyed a coaching session before sitting down and having their Domino's pizza lunch and hopefully watching Swindon Town pick up all three points today against our visitors, Scunthorpe United. We are delighted to welcome Bradford who are regular visitors and it is great to have over 80 people here to enjoy a day out here at Swindon Town Football Club. If any of you would like your club or group to attend a fixture on our Saturday Team Club programme, please contact Andy Ealey on 01793 421303.



## PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

We are well down the line in setting up an exciting new Football Education Programme with our partners at Commonweal C6. The programme, which is aimed at post-16 students, will kick off in September 2016 where we are hoping to have 35 students - boys and girls - participating in this exciting new programme. November 2nd and 4th saw us deliver an open day for parents and students to attend and see what the programme is all





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about and what Commonweal C6 has to offer. We are receiving a high volume of interest and we have another open evening at Commonweal School on 30th November 2015 from 6.30pm-7.30pm. Any of you that are interested in taking a place on the course and engaging in this exciting opportunity please do not hesitate in contacting Clive Maguire, Jon Holloway or Shane Hewlett on 01793 421303.

## STEPHEN THOMAS

I am sure you are all aware of the tragic event that took place last month which has affected us all here at Swindon Town FITC. We were devastated to hear the terrible news that one of our DSActive players, Stephen Thomas was tragically killed along with his father, David in a boating accident in Canada. It has been an extremely difficult time for the family and friends of Stephen and our heartfelt condolences go to everyone who knew and loved Stephen. He was an extremely valuable member of our DSActive football team that train every Wednesday at the Haydon Centre and he will be sadly missed by us all. A special memorial service will take place on Saturday 5th December at the Gateway Church in Swindon where the family have invited everyone to attend and pay their respects. The family have requested no flowers and that attendees wear clothing appropriate for celebrating the short life of Stephen and his father, David.



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	6.00-7.00	6-7yrs

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Stratton

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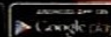
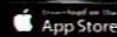
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## SUPER SAMMY SAYS

*It seems like an age since Swindon last played at home so well done to all the supporters who made the pilgrimages to Wigan and Rochdale respectively.*

Last time out I certainly left the ground on a high after the thrilling comeback against Coventry. It was a similar feeling to how I felt many times driving away from the County Ground last season. A point was the very least that the team deserved and despite the defeat that followed at Wigan, I don't think there is any doubt that the last two performances in the league have been very good.

I don't know what it is but dating back to my time as a player at the club, the record in the FA Cup doesn't make for pretty reading. In the 2003/04 season we were unceremoniously thumped by Wycombe Wanderers at Adams Park in the first round. The cup runs in the seasons either side of that saw us beaten at the second round stage in live televised matches by Oxford United and Notts County. We didn't turn up in either game and my hurt from the derby defeat to Oxford was still evident when I was at the Kassam last month to see the latest clash.

I'm sure when Rochdale away was pulled out of the hat nobody was best pleased, especially given that the Wigan away match fell the weekend before.

In between the two fixtures the new manager was appointed. Martin Ling is someone I know well after a spell as a player under him at Leyton Orient. Despite it not being a successful time for me I thoroughly enjoyed my time playing for him, although he may not agree!

Him and Dean Smith created a good atmosphere on the training ground and the sessions were very enjoyable. In my opinion it is a great appointment for the club. Martin was a very accomplished player who played the game in the right manner and he knows the club inside out



which I think is always a bonus. His teams have always liked to pass the ball and hopefully the mixture of Martin, Luke and the newly-appointed Ross Embleton will be a combination that sees an upturn in the team's fortunes.

I was really interested to hear about the latest developments with the prospective new training ground. I think that could have a massive influence on the future success of the club. You cannot underestimate the importance of a purpose-built facility for all the teams throughout the age groups to enjoy. There are many reasons why this is vital: for one it is more attractive to young and established players when they are considering which club to join. I extend this to the schoolboys who may be deterred from joining the Premier League big boys in the future if we can create an environment in the Borough for young players to prosper.

It will give the future players a home from home that they can enjoy each day as opposed to flitting between various venues for different aspects of their training.

And how useful would a larger, on-site physio department/gym have been during this recent unprecedented injury crisis. Having said all that, I used to love good old Liddington. If Kingy had arrived in a particularly stropky mood, Alan Reeves would take us for a walk/warm up while hiding in the forest! The place will always hold happy memories for me.

I was at both Scunthorpe fixtures last season. The opening day 3-1 victory was a tremendous performance and the defeat in the return match was during Swindon's sticky spell that ultimately cost the team an automatic promotion place. I travelled up that day on the supporters' coach as part of my integration to life at BBC Wiltshire. The aptly-named feature 'Parkin the Bus' has not returned for this season as of yet but when the results pick up I'm available for passing on my M1 service station knowledge once again.

A couple of weeks ago I spent a few hours with the group of Town supporters in the midst of the Football Fans in Training 12-week course. I was extremely impressed with what I saw: not only is the weight loss remarkable, the camaraderie between the fellas was great to see. The last group to complete the course went up to Scotland and won a tournament against supporters from other clubs. The benchmark has been set for the latest intake, with a game potentially against Manchester City's fans on the horizon. By the time you read this, I'll have joined them for another session, this time taking part potentially in a match-worn number 9 shirt!

Let's get behind the new gaffer today and get up that table.

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Sam

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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](mailto:sastravel@sky.com) for further details.

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- 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	<b>TOTAL: 3,469 miles</b>



**FLEETWOOD TOWN**  
**21/11/2015**

£26 Members  
£24 Non Members

Departs at 8.00am

# TICKET DETAILS



## FLEETWOOD v SWINDON 21/11/2015 KICK OFF: 15:00



### HOW TO BUY

#### In Store

Online at [www.eticketing.co.uk/swindontown](http://www.eticketing.co.uk/swindontown)

Telephone 08718761993 option 1  
[£2 booking fee per ticket applies]

### TERRACE

Adult - £23 | Over-65 - £18

Under-18 - £18 | Under-16 - £15

Under-5 - Free | Disabled - Age-related price | Helper - Free

### SEATING

Adult - £25 | Over-65 - £20

Under-18 - £20 | Under-16 - £17

Under-5 - Free | Disabled - Age-related price | Helper - Free

For disabled tickets please call  
08718761993 option 2

## 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 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

### SWINDON TOWN vs GILLINGHAM



Saturday 26th December / Kick-Off: 3pm

Grade A Fixture, see prices to the right

### SWINDON TOWN vs SOUTHEND UNITED



Saturday 9th January / Kick-Off: 3pm

Grade A Fixture, see prices to the right

## AWAY TICKETS

### FLEETWOOD TOWN vs SWINDON TOWN



Saturday 21st November / Kick-Off: 3pm

Ticket prices at [www.swindontownfc.co.uk](http://www.swindontownfc.co.uk)

### CHESTERFIELD vs SWINDON TOWN



Saturday 28th November / Kick-Off: 3pm

Ticket prices at [www.swindontownfc.co.uk](http://www.swindontownfc.co.uk)

### SHREWSBURY T vs SWINDON TOWN



Saturday 19th December / Kick-Off: 3pm

Ticket prices at [www.swindontownfc.co.uk](http://www.swindontownfc.co.uk)

### BURTON ALBION vs SWINDON TOWN



Monday 28th December / Kick-Off: 3pm

Ticket prices at [www.swindontownfc.co.uk](http://www.swindontownfc.co.uk)

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2015/16

# FIXTURES & RESULTS

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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	5,839	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	JPT1	1-1*	1,434	453	-	Belford	Barry	Brophy	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 5	Crewe Alexandra	A	FL1	3-1	4,400	417	6	Vigouroux	Barry	Ormonde-Ottewill	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 12	Barnsley	A	FL1	1-4	8,227	351	8	Vigouroux	Barry	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	JPT2	0-2	3,013	1,179	-	Vigouroux	Barry	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	1-2	6,430	141	23	Vigouroux	Barry	Ormonde-Ottewill	El-Abd	Branco
Sat 24	Coventry City	H	FL1	2-2	8,309	1,686	23	Vigouroux	Barry	El-Abd	Turnbull	Branco
Sat 31	Wigan Athletic	A	FL1	0-1	8,466	529	23	Vigouroux	Barry	El-Abd	Turnbull	Branco

## NOVEMBER

Sat 7	Rochdale	A	FAC1	1-3	2,060	tbc	-	Vigouroux	Barry	El-Abd	Turnbull	Branco
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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\*Warr 7-6 on penalties



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## 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](mailto:ged.montgomery@juliashouse.org)**



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## GAME CENTRE



		HOME					AWAY					GD	PTS	
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F			A
1	Walsall	16	4	2	2	12	8	5	3	0	16	6	14	32
2	Burton	16	5	2	1	9	4	5	0	3	7	9	3	32
3	Gillingham	16	6	2	0	20	7	3	2	3	11	11	13	31
4	Coventry	16	6	2	0	18	9	3	2	3	11	8	12	31
5	Wigan	16	5	3	0	14	3	2	3	3	12	15	8	27
6	Bury	16	3	4	1	15	13	4	2	2	13	11	4	27
7	Millwall	16	3	1	4	9	12	4	3	1	15	11	1	25
8	Sheff Utd	16	5	0	3	17	11	2	3	3	9	11	4	24
9	Bradford	16	3	3	2	9	9	3	3	2	6	9	-1	24
<b>10</b>	<b>Scunthorpe</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>
11	Chesterfield	16	2	2	4	13	15	5	0	3	9	8	-1	23
12	Southend	16	4	1	3	9	9	2	4	2	8	9	-1	23
13	Peterborough	16	3	2	3	18	15	3	1	4	14	12	5	21
14	Rochdale	16	4	2	2	12	8	1	4	3	8	10	2	21
15	Port Vale	16	4	3	1	13	8	1	2	5	5	10	0	20
16	Colchester	16	3	4	1	14	11	2	1	5	11	23	-9	20
17	Shrewsbury	16	3	0	5	11	10	2	2	4	8	13	-4	17
18	Doncaster	16	3	4	1	10	6	1	1	6	3	16	-9	17
19	Oldham	16	1	3	4	8	15	1	7	0	9	8	-6	16
20	Blackpool	16	3	2	3	8	10	1	2	5	7	13	-8	16
21	Fleetwood	16	2	3	3	12	7	2	0	6	7	17	-5	15
22	Barnsley	16	3	1	4	9	8	1	1	6	10	19	-8	14
<b>23</b>	<b>Swindon</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>13</b>
24	Crewe	16	1	2	5	6	14	2	2	4	6	16	-10	13



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



## FIXTURES &amp; RESULTS

## Tuesday 3rd November

Bradford 1-0 Blackpool  
Coventry 4-3 Barnsley

## Today

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

## Saturday 21st November

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

## Tuesday 24th November

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



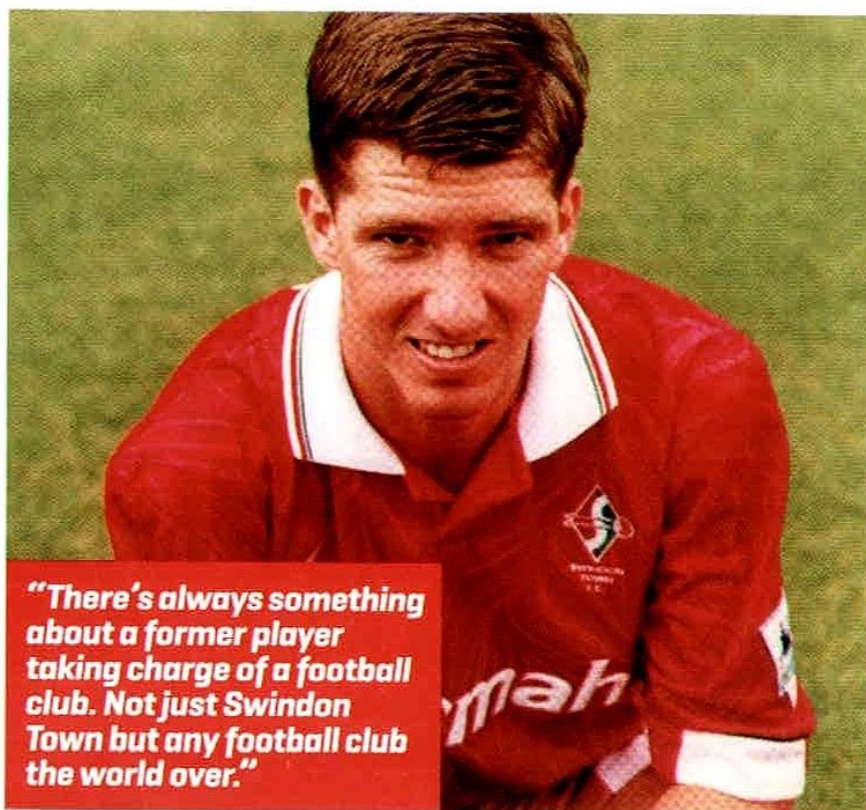


## PRESSING MATTERS

*A new manager and a fresh start: the Martin Ling era at the County Ground is well and truly underway as he gets his first taste of league action in charge of Swindon Town this afternoon.*

There's always something about a former player taking charge of a football club. Not just Swindon Town but any football club the world over. Someone who understands the traditions, history and psychology that permeates the very fabric of a club. Someone who has worn the club's colours, carried its standards into battle and emerged victorious all for the cause of that particular club. More than anything, a former player gives people a warm, nostalgic glow. In our case, a glow that sees those rose-tinted glasses transport us almost 25 years into the past when THAT great Hoddle team delighted us and delivered success in equal measure. Nearly a quarter of a century on, Martin Ling – one of Hoddle's great midfield Centurions – now rides back into Duracornovium [Google it – you'll be surprised!] like a Roman general returning home. Tenuous comparisons with the military of the ancient world aside, I am genuinely excited that someone with Martin's status and experience is back at SN1.

Facing Scunthorpe today reminds me of our Under-18s manager, Scott Lindsey's connections with the Iron. Both his father, Keith and his uncle, Barry played for the Lincolnshire side in the 1960s and the latter was even part of the team that Town faced in their first ever match in the second tier of English football back in 1963. Players of that era will always have my utmost respect. In this day and age, where the money at the very highest level of the game has catapulted football into uncharted territory, it's almost incomprehensible that only half a century ago players



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had to think about livelihoods after coming out of football, with many going on to put in several years of hard graft following their retirement from the game. The stories of players from that era – including plenty that Scott has told me about his dad and uncle – reflect an age of innocence for the game that has long been lost to the sands of time.

Finally, today will see the County Ground fall silent as a mark of respect for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defence of their country. As the closest home game to the 11th, our one minutes' silence will take place

this afternoon – the first time we would have done so since the installation of the memorial plaque above the tunnel. I understand that it will be first time since the Arkell's Stand was built in the early 1970s that the names of all of Swindon Town's war dead will be on public display for the Armistice silence. As always, whatever your personal beliefs, it's important that we remember those who, for our tomorrow, gave their today. We will remember them.

**Tom Otrebski**  
RED&WHITE EDITOR



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