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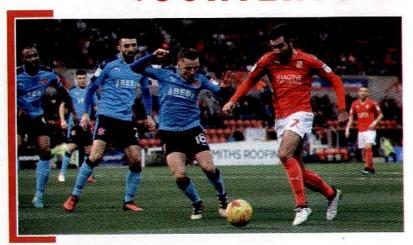
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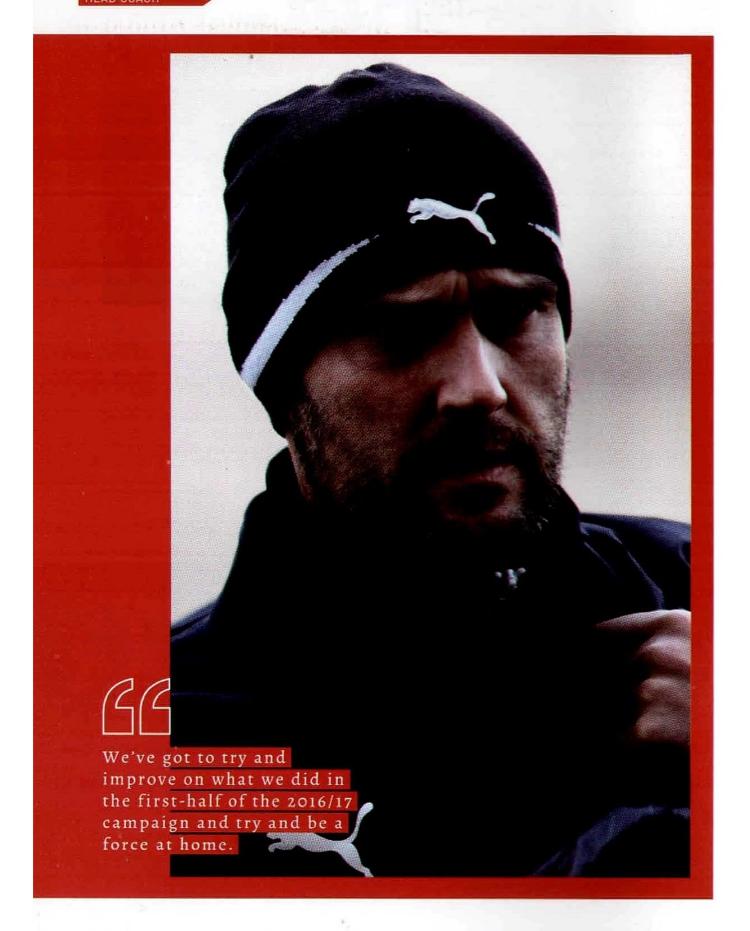
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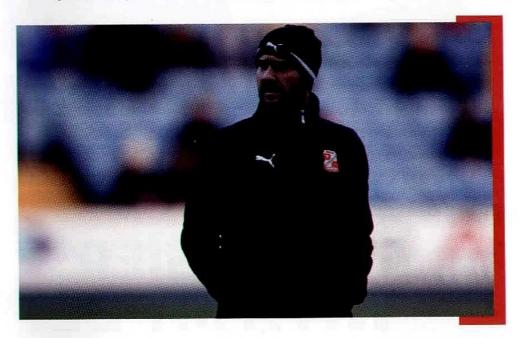
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### · HEAD COACH ·

# LUKE WILLIAMS

Good Afternoon everyone and welcome back to The County Ground for our opening game of 2017 against Southend United. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to everyone connected with our visitors and I hope you enjoy your stay with us and have a safe journey back.



I would like to kick-off these notes by wishing everyone a very Happy New Year and I hope you all had a good Christmas. Let's hope 2017 is an enjoyable one for us all as we look to kick on in the second-half of the season.

Today's game is a real opportunity to wipe the slate clean and try and get off the mark at home in order to start the New Year as we mean to go on. We've got to try and improve on what we did in the first-half of the 2016/17 campaign and try and be a force at home. We also need to try and drastically improve away from home as well.

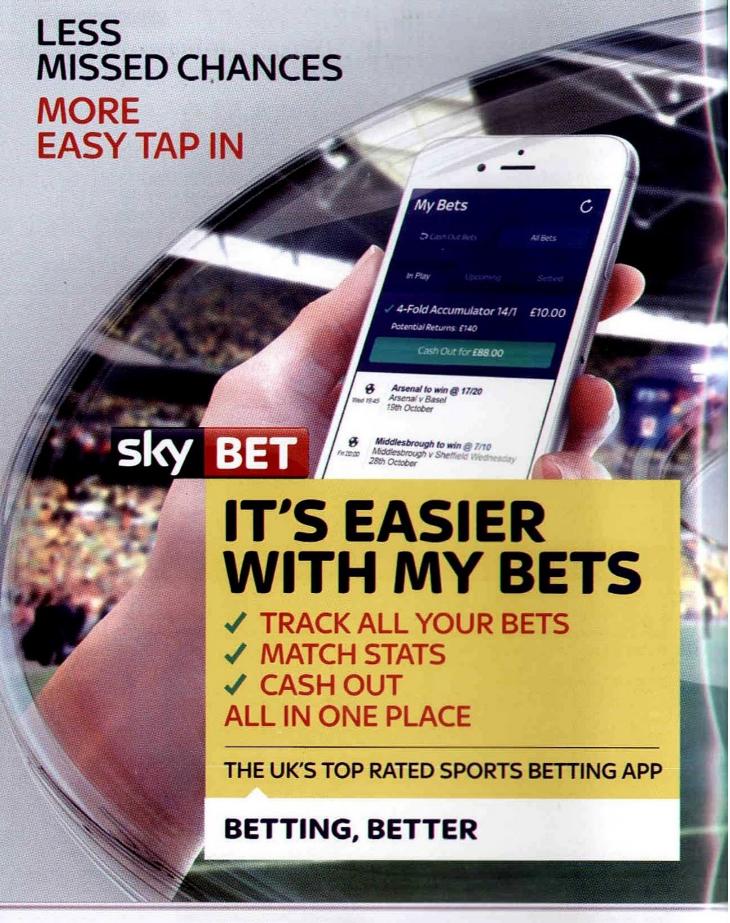
On that note, it was a disappointing afternoon away at Millwall on Boxing Day and our opponents were very good on the day. The front pairing of Lee Gregory and Steve Morison are as good a two as you will see in League One, but we know we need to improve and next time we face Millwall we need to cause them more problems.

It wasn't that long ago that we played Southend United at Roots Hall, where we ground out a 1-1 draw thanks to some heroic efforts from Lawrence Vigouroux in goal. We performed really well there and they are a good side, but we'll be confident that we can get the points against them.

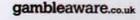
The January Transfer Window is now open and it is no secret that the club will be looking to bolster their ranks over the coming weeks. It is a reality in football that some players will come in and other players may be sidelined more than they have been, but that's part and parcel and if that makes us stronger as a group then that will be good for everybody.

Enjoy the game today and see you back at SN1 for our Sky Bet League One encounter against Shrewsbury Town at the weekend.

Luke WILLIAMS, Head Coach











· GENERAL MANAGER ·

# STEVE ANDERSON

Good afternoon and welcome to The County Ground for today's game against Southend United. I would like to extend a warm welcome to the visiting directors, players, management and fans of the Shrimpers.

Firstly, I would like to start my notes by wishing everyone a very Happy New Year and I hope you and your family all had a good Christmas. These notes were written prior to our game against MK Dons so here's hoping we picked up a positive result in our final game of 2016.

The last game here at SN1 was against Fleetwood Town just before Christmas and it was a game we dominated. We were unlucky not to take all three points but it was a very encouraging display against a side who were sitting just outside of the play-offs. It was a good collective performance from the whole team and we must now ensure we make The County Ground a fortress going forward into the New Year. We then made the trip to Millwall on Boxing Day and it was another disappointing afternoon at The Den. We only created a few halfchances which we couldn't take but if Luke Norris' shot had gone in at 1-0 down then it could have been a different story. Millwall were more clinical on the day and took their opportunities when they arrived.

Looking back over 2016 I'm sure we are all in agreement that this wasn't a year to remember in the football club's history. Following the resignation of Martin Ling early on in the year, Luke Williams stepped up and took charge and oversaw a successful start, which was followed by a rough period although we finished the 2015/16 campaign on a high. We

also saw the emergence of a crop of talented youngsters, including Will Henry who played the final two games of the campaign and showed that he has tremendous talent. Let's hope we see more of that in the coming years as he's exposed to more first-team

football. Jordan Young also burst onto the scene and showed glimpses of his quality, including scoring a superb goal against Shrewsbury Town on the final day of the season. It has been a real positive to see these youngsters make the breakthrough and they are keeping up the Swindon Town tradition by following in the footsteps of our captain, Nathan Thompson.

We oversaw another rebuilding process in the summer with the first-team squad where the likes of Lawrence Vigouroux, Sean Murray, John Goddard, Conor Thomas, Luke Norris and Nathan Delfouneso all signed permanent deals, while Lloyd Jones, Michael Doughty and Darnell Furlong joined us on loan. We started this season fairly well with a win against Coventry City on the opening day, but our form since then has been up and down, especially away from home. As a result, we have not been able to push for the play-offs as we had planned.

This inconsistent form led to the appointment of Tim Sherwood as our Director of Football and his Premier League experience has been a great help to the current management and players. The Transfer Window is now officially open and it is no secret that the club will be actively looking to bolster the current squad as we look to climb up the table.

We would like to thank everybody for their support throughout 2016 and the board, management and players really appreciate you turning up week in and week out. We look forward to seeing you again as we look to make 2017 a memorable year.

Enjoy the game and see you here for the visit of Shrewsbury on Saturday 7th January.

Steve ANDERSON, General Manager





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Town Captain Nathan Thompson was present at the official opening and helped Avon Tyres celebrate the landmark day.

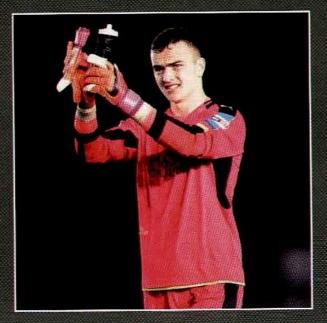
### **ENGLAND CALLING FOR HENRY**

Town's Will Henry has been selected for an England Goalkeepers Camp later this month.

The 18-year-old will head to St George's Park on Wednesday 11th January 2017 and will be put through his paces by a number of England coaches over the course of two days.

It is the second time this season that Henry has been called up by England having attended a similar camp in December 2016.

On behalf of everyone at Swindon Town Football Club, we would like to wish Will the best of luck for his time away with England!





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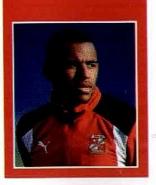
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# NATHAN THOMPSON

Good Afternoon and welcome back to The County
Ground for our first game of 2017 against
Southend United.

I want to start by wishing you all a Happy New Year and I hope you and your families had a happy and safe Christmas.

It was a busy festive period for us and, with these notes being penned before our trip to MK Dons, I hope we were able to finish 2016 on a high by securing a much-needed threepoint haul. Before I focus on our trip to Millwall, I want to reflect on our 1-1 draw with Fleetwood Town in our last game here at SN1. It was a very encouraging performance and I felt we dominated for large parts of the game. Luke Norris put us ahead with a brilliant header and, although we auickly conceded, we didn't let our heads drop and we created plenty of chances. It could have easily been a win on another day but we must now focus on turning The County Ground into a fortress in 2017.

Therefore, it was disappointing to head to Millwall on Boxing Day and suffer a 2-0 defeat. We weren't at our best and Millwall were simply more clinical than us on the day. We had a few half chances but we didn't trouble the opposition goal nearly enough although we could have hauled

level ourselves midway through the second-half. but Luke Norris' effort crept just wide which is typical of our luck at the moment. We know full well that our away form this season hasn't been good enough - one win on the road all season tells its own story. To be successful at this level you have to win your home games while being solid away from home and we have to do better at both if we are going to save our season.

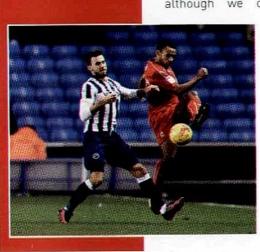
On a personal level it was brilliant to make my comeback against Fleetwood and I can't tell you how good it felt to finally be back out there. I had enjoyed a relatively injury-free 2016 so to pick up that last knock was extremely frustrating, but I'm back now and I'm working even harder off the pitch to ensure I stay fit and healthy throughout 2017.

On to Southend today and it is a real opportunity for us to wipe the slate clean and start the New Year as we mean to go on. We all know the firsthalf of the season has been a write off but we can't do anything about that now. What we can do is focus all of our energy on making sure the secondhalf of the season is a successful one and we owe that to everyone at this club. It is no secret that the Chairman is looking to strengthen in January and hopefully new faces will help to add a spark around the place and help us to climb the table. I have made it clear from day one that I want to win trophies with this club and I am still confident I can do that.

Southend will be a tough test this afternoon but we know what to expect from them having locked horns only a few weeks ago. They have got plenty of attacking threat at their disposal but so have we and if we concentrate on what we do then I'm confident we have enough in our ranks to get the win today.

Enjoy the game this afternoon.

Nathan THOMPSON, Captain





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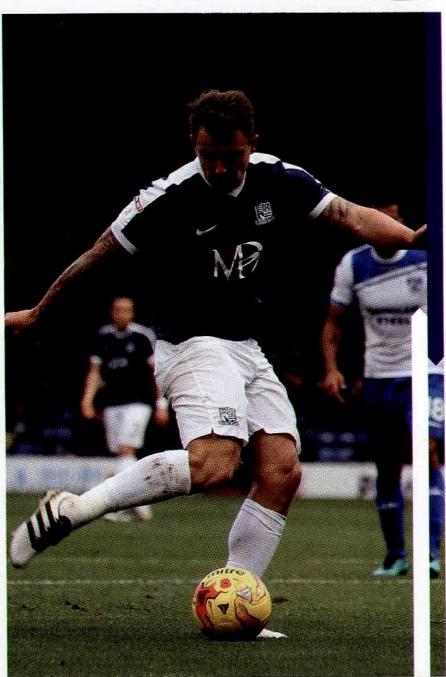
Essex Professional Cup Winners - 1950, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1957, 1962, 1965, 1967, 1972, 1973

Essex Senior Cup Winners -1983, 1991, 1997, 2008

Essex Thameside Trophy Winners - 1990

### FACTS

- ► Founded 110 years ago in May 1906
- Southend have been a member of the Football League since 1920
- Southend's Roots Hall Stadium can hold 12,392 spectators
- ▶ The Shrimpers reached their first-ever national cup final in 2004 when they played Blackpool in the LDV Vans Trophy.



### DID YOU KNOW:

Southend are known as **the Shrimpers**, a reference to the area's maritime industry included as one of the quartering's on the club badge.







### SOUTHEND UNITED

The Shrimpers have recovered from a slow start to the 2016/17 campaign in emphatic fashion and enter the New Year well and truly in the race for promotion to the Championship.

Hopes were high at Roots Hall entering the season given the club's transfer activity over the summer with the likes of Jermaine McGlashan, Simon Cox, Anton Ferdinand and Nile Ranger all being recruited.

But three defeats in the opening three games of the new season gave everyone connected with the Blues a reality check, although an impressive 3-0 win away at Sheffield United in August did follow.

Southend endured a mixed September with two defeats, a draw and two victories, including a heavy 4-0 loss away at Scunthorpe United. But things started to pick up in October and the Shrimpers enjoyed a productive November, including picking up a point at home to Town.

The Shrimpers entered the festive period unbeaten in ten Sky Bet League One outings and are firmly among the chasing pack for a Play-Off spot, form they will be hoping to maintain at SN1 this afternoon.

A number of players have stepped up to the mark in 16/17 this term.

none more so than explosive winger Stephen McLaughlin who has helped himself to seven goals. Anthony Wordsworth also has the same amount of strikes to his name and has played a starring role in the Blues' climb up the table.

The likes of Michael Timlin, Ryan Leonard, Adam Thompson and Anton Ferdinand make Southend extremely hard to beat, while Mark Oxley has proved to be a safe pair of hands at the back. Nile Ranger looks to have finally found a home and has started to show signs of his true potential. His strike partner Simon Cox has also impressed and although he only has four goals to his name, the former Town forward leads the club in assists with seven.

Overall, Southend are very much a side in form at the moment and displayed their quality when Town made the trip to Roots Hall in November 2016 where the two sides played out, a 1-1 draw. Swindon ran out 4-2 victors the last time the teams met at SN1 and there could be plenty of goals again this afternoon.



DANGERMAN

## STEPHEN MCLAUGHLIN

# R&W TAKES A CLOSER LOOK AT ONE OF SOUTHEND UNITED'S DANGERMEN THIS AFTERNOON...

The winger put pen to paper on a permanent deal with the Shrimpers in the summer of 2015 after helping the club secure promotion to League One in 2014/15 during a hugely successful loan spell, scoring a crucial goal in the Play-Off Semi-Final Second Leg against Stevenage.

Born in Donegal, McLaughlin began his career in English football after sealing a lucrative switch to Nottingham Forest from Derry City in 2013. However, the creative force struggled to make the grade at the City Ground

and went on to have loan spells with the likes of Bristol City and Notts County.

Stephen was then allowed to part company permanently with Forest and opted to make Roots Hall his new home, scoring once in 18 games during the Blues' first season back in the Sky Bet League One. However, McLaughlin has really risen to prominence this term and surpassed his tally last season in August with three goals in the opening four games.

He is currently Southend's joint top goalscorer and has been a big reason behind their current impressive form. Will be one of the biggest threats to look out for this afternoon.

### **MEET THE REST**

### **TED SMITH**

Southend's backup goalkeeper progressed through the club's Academy ranks and put pen to paper on his first professional contract in January 2014. Captained the Blues' Youth Team during a successful 2013/14 campaign and has represented England at U20 level on a number of occasions.

### JAKUB SOKOLIK

Joined the Shrimpers for the third time on a five-month contract in July 2016 with a view to a longer-term deal. Began his footballing career in England at the fabled Academy of Liverpool in 2013 and spent a short spell on loan with Southend. Sokolik then joined Yeovil. Town in the summer of 2014 but was back at Roots Hall in November of that year.

### JASON DEMETRIOU

Penned a two-year deal with the Blues in July 2016 after parting company with Walsall. The right-back is a Cyprus international and played a key role in the Saddlers' push for automatic promotion to the Championship during the 2015/16 campaign. Started his career with Leyton Orient before spending five years with Cypriot club AEK Larnaca.

### **RYAN INNISS**

Is currently on a season-long loan from Premier League outfit Crystal Palace having agreed to link up with Southend on Transfer Deadline Day in August 2016. The talented defender has represented England at youth level and has had loan spells with the likes of Cheltenham Town, Luton Town, Gillingham, Yeovil Town and Port Vale.

### HARRY KYPRIANOU

The youngster made his Southend United debut on Tuesday 30th August 2016, scoring once in a 2-0 victory over Championship side Brighton & Hove Albion. Kyprianou joined the Shrimpers in September 2015 following a successful trial having previously plied his trade for Watford. Scored on his league debut for the Blues against Bolton Wanderers earlier this season.

### **ADAM KING**

Joined Southend in August 2016 on loan until the end of the current campaign from Premier League side Swansea City. A Scotland U21 international, the midfielder moved to the Swans from Scottish Premiership outfit Hearts in 2014 and made his first-team debut for the club against Tranmere Rovers in the FA Cup in January 2015. Spent part of last season on loan at Crewe Alexandra, scoring five goals in 26 games.

### JACK BRIDGE

Has been with the Blues since the age of nine and made his first-team debut against Bradford City in April 2016, before putting pen to paper on a two-year contract extension the following month. The creative midfielder notched seven goals in just fourteen games whilst on loan at Chelmsford City last season, picking up six Man of the Match awards in the process.

### **ZAVON HINES**

The striker signed for the Shrimpers last month following a successful trial at the club. Once regarded as a hot prospect, the 27-year-old began his career with West Ham United and made 38 appearances for the club across a four-year period. Has also had spells with Burnley, Bournemouth, Bradford City and Dagenham & Redbridge.

### MARK OXLEY



Arrived at Roots Hall in July 2016 after penning a two-year deal following his departure from Hibernian. Made over 90 appearances

for the Scottish Championship side, scoring from a clearance on his league debut against Livingston. Has also featured for Hull City.

### ADAM THOMPSON



Initially joined Southend on loan in August 2013 from Watford and impressed enough to earn a permanent deal in January 2014. Is a solid

presence at the back for the Shrimpers and can also produce moments of magic – his strike against Blackpool in November being nominated for the club's Goal of the Season Award.

### **ADAM BARRETT**



The vastly experienced defender returned to Roots Hall in January 2015 for a second spell after leaving Gillingham and was named as

Club Captain for the 2016/17 campaign. The Southend fan helped his boyhood club reach the Championship during his first spell, before earning a big move to Crystal Palace.

### LUKE O'NEILL



Put pen to paper on a two-year deal with Southend on Transfer Deadline Day in August 2015 after parting company

with Burnley. Began his career at Leicester City but dropped into nonleague before an impressive spell with Mansfield Town saw Leicester come calling.

### **ANTHONY WORDSWORTH**



Has been with the Shrimpers since 2015 after joining from Ipswich Town on a free transfer. The midfielder rose through the ranks

at Colchester United and made over 150 appearances for the U's, before sealing a move to Ipswich. Wordsworth is enjoying a vintage 2016/17 campaign and has seven goals to his name so far this term.

### MICHAEL TIMLIN



A face well known to Town fans having racked up over 100 games for the Reds between 2006 and 2012. Joined Southend in

January 2012 on a permanent basis having previously had two loan spells with the club. Has become a hugely popular figure at Roots Hall and is known for his all-action approach.

### WILL ATKINSON



Began his career at Hull City under current Southend boss Phil Brown and had loan spells with Port Vale, Mansfield, Rochdale, Rotherham

and Plymouth Argyle before joining Bradford City, for whom he made 57 appearances for including against the likes of Arsenal and Swansea City, Has been a Shrimper since 2013 and scored against Town earlier this season.

### RYAN LEONARD



The midfielder joined the Shrimpers prior to the start of the 2011/12 season following a successful trial period. Leonard has become a

firm fans' favourite at Roots Hall and picked up two Supporters' Player of the Season Awards in 2013/14 and 2015/16, in addition to the Goal of the Season gong last term for his wonder strike against Sheffield United in November 2015.

### JERMAINE MCGLASHAN



Became the Blues' second signing of the summer in 2016 after putting pen to paper on a two-year deal following his departure from

Gillingham. The pacey winger has also played for Cheltenham Town and Aldershot and is a tricky customer at League One level.

### DAVID MOONEY



A proven goalscorer in the bottom two divisions of the EFL, Mooney joined Southend in July 2015 on a free transfer having spent

four years at Leyton Orient, scoring over 50 times for the O's. The forward began his career with Shamrock Rovers and has gone on to feature for the likes of Norwich City, Charlton Athletic and Colchester United.

### **NILE RANGER**



The talented forward chose Southend as his new home in August 2016, agreeing terms on a deal until the end of the current campaign. The former Newcastle

United man helped Sheffield Wednesday to promotion in 2012 and notched ten goals for Swindon during the 2013/14 campaign. Has impressed for the Shrimpers so far this term and was rewarded with a new long-term contract in December 2016.

### SIMON COX



The forward makes his return to The County Ground this afternoon having bagged 48 goals in 88 games for Town over the course of two seasons. His goalscoring exploits

and eye for the odd sensational strike earned him a big move to West Brom in July 2009. A spell with Nottingham Forest followed before the 29-year-old returned to boyhood club Reading. Has six goals and seven assists for Southend so far this season.



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# **MANAGER**

PHIL BROWN

The 57-year-old has been at the helm of Southend United since 2013 and has already enjoyed plenty of success with the Shrimpers.

Brown was announced as the Blues' new manager on 25th March just 24 hours after Paul Sturrock was dismissed. His first assignment with his new club came in the 2013 Football League Trophy Final at Wembley, but there was to be no fairy-tale beginning with Crewe Alexandra running out 2-0 victors.

Although more known for his managerial career, Brown also enjoyed a long playing career which began with non-league outfit Red Duster in the South Shields Business Houses League. The former right-back then moved into professional football with Hartlepool United for whom he made over 200 appearances.

A spell at Halifax Town then followed before Brown was on the move again, securing a transfer to Bolton Wanderers in 1988. Again, the reliable defender went on to rack up over 200 games for the Trotters and was part of the side that won the Associate Members Cup in 1989.

Blackpool was Brown's next destination in 1994 where he played under former England manager Sam Allardyce, doubling up as Assistant Manager. After hanging up his boots in 1996, Brown returned to Bolton to serve as Colin Todd's number two and became caretaker in 1999 following the latter's departure, winning four out of five games until Sam Allardyce was appointed as the club's new manager.

Brown spent six years as Allardyce's assistant before taking up his first managerial post with Derby County in June 2005, replacing George Burley. However, his time at Pride Park proved to be unsuccessful and he was sacked just seven months into his tenure in January 2006.

But Brown wasn't out of work for long and he was appointed as Hull City's First-Team Coach in October 2006, eventually replacing the sacked Phil Parkinson as caretaker manager in December with the Tigers in 22nd place in the Championship. After steering Hull away from danger with three wins and a draw from six games, Brown was confirmed as the club's permanent manager on January 4th 2007.

Safety was secured at the end of that season and the unthinkable then happened the following campaign with Brown leading Hull to the top level of English football for the first time in the club's 104-year history after beating Bristol City at Wembley in the Championship Play-Off Final on 24th May 2008. Brown was rewarded with a new three-year contract and marked the extension in fine style with a 2-1 win over Fulham on the opening day of the 2008/09 Premier League season. Hull went on to beat Arsenal 2-1 and occupied third place in the table after the opening nine games of the season. However, the Tigers were soon dragged into a relegation doglight but secured their Premier League status on the final day of the season.

Hull struggled in the Premier League the following season and Brown was placed on gardening leave in March 2010, eventually leaving his post in June following the Tigers' relegation.

But Brown has found happier times at Southend since joining the club in 2013 and, after leading the club to promotion to League One via the Play-Off Finals in May 2015, has transformed the Shrimpers into potential promotion contenders this term.

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# SCOUT REPORT







Southend United have had plenty of success playing in a traditional 4-4-2 formation so far this season and are expected to keep faith with that system this afternoon.

Mark Oxley provides a safe pair of hands at the back and has been protected admirable this term by the back-four featuring players in the ilk of Adam Thompson, Adam Barrett, Luke O'Neill and Anton Ferdinand.

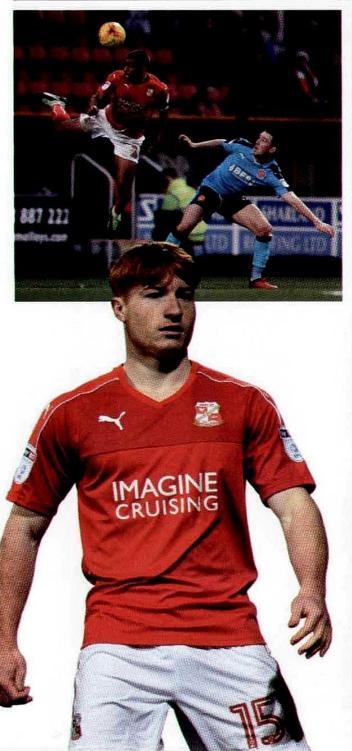
Southend boast plenty of options in midfield and are able to pack out their engine room with both style and substance. Anthony Wordsworth has been a standout performer in the middle of the park, as has Stephen McLaughlin who has sparkled on the wing this season. The likes of Will Atkinson, Michael Timlin and Ryan Leosard have also performed when it has mattered in 16/17 for the Blues.

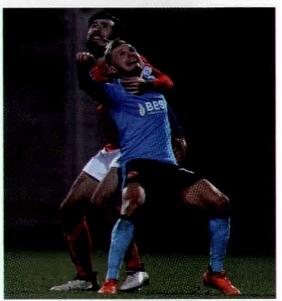
But it is upfront where the Shrimpers are perhaps at their most dangerous with Simon Cox and Nile Ranger both on the books at Roots Hall. Although both have suffered with injuries this campaign, the duo have also found the back of the net and are a handful for any defence on their day. David Mooney and Marc-Antoine Fortune are also useful options to have for Southend.

# SWINDON 1-1 FLEETWOOD TOWN

### SATURDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2016

County Ground Attendance: 6,143















# COMMERCIAL COMMEN

WITH ADAM WAINWRIGHT

Good Afternoon everyone and a very Happy New Year. I hope you all had a good Christmas and let's hope we can secure the three points today and get 2017 off to a successful start.





### JANUARY HOSPITALITY OFFERS

New Year, same offer. Following on from our very successful Black Friday and December offers, we have taken the decision to extend the December offer prices into the month of January. To take advantage of these exceptional offers, please get ahead of the game by calling Rachel Burt on 0844 880 1094. Based on the success of these promotions, we are hoping that all remaining sponsorship and hospitality packages will sell out completely moving into February. Thank you to all existing hospitality guests and all those that have supported us with hospitality thus far.

### MASCOT EXPERIENCE - THE PERFECT GIFT

In line with the above, the very popular and highly commended mascot experience is also discounted when booked in January (a 25% deposit will confirm booking), so if your children or grandchildren have got all the toys under the sun then surprise them with an experience they will remember for the rest of their life. A number of the remaining fixtures are close to selling out regarding this package, so please book ASAP to avoid disappointment.

### **FJORTOFTS**

We have a new hospitality offering here at SN1. This will be at the entry level so for any of those that are looking for a day out here at the club with a difference which is not going to break the bank, then Fjortofts is the suite for you! We have limited availability for this suite which is based on the ground level in the Arkells Stand. The

package will include a one-course hot fork buffet, a programme, team sheet, half-time refreshments and reserved Arkells stadium seating, which is located close to the suite for ease of access. You can book this package online at https://www.eticketing. co.uk/swindontown/ or by calling one of the Commercial team.

### DISCOUNTED BRANDING OPPORTUNITIES

It is still not too late to become a new signing and to join our large portfolio of businesses which is a broad range of all sizes and diversities. We will soon be advertising all remaining half-season discounted branding opportunities. So if your New Year budgets have just been signed off and you are looking to put your services in-front of thousands (quite literally), please make contact with us.

### ON TO TODAY...

A warm Robins welcome to our Match Sponsors, Primary Executive Homes, who specialise in the sale and rental of property in the local area. We also welcome Matchball Sponsors Bidvest, Captain Sponsors the Jon Cummins Party and last but not least our Programme Sponsor, which is jointly sponsored by the HR Department and Dennis & Turnbull, Thank you for all your support - it is quite exceptional to have four sponsors going into the New Year. Long may this continue.

It is also fantastic to welcome seven mascols to the suite which makes it all the more important as these are our Archie, Oliver, Archie, Cara, Erin and Oliver, I hope you all enjoy your day and support the Town for many years to

Adam WAINWRIGHT, Head of Commercial

CONTACT THE COMMERCIAL TEAM... ADAM WAINWRIGHT: (2) 0330 002 0020















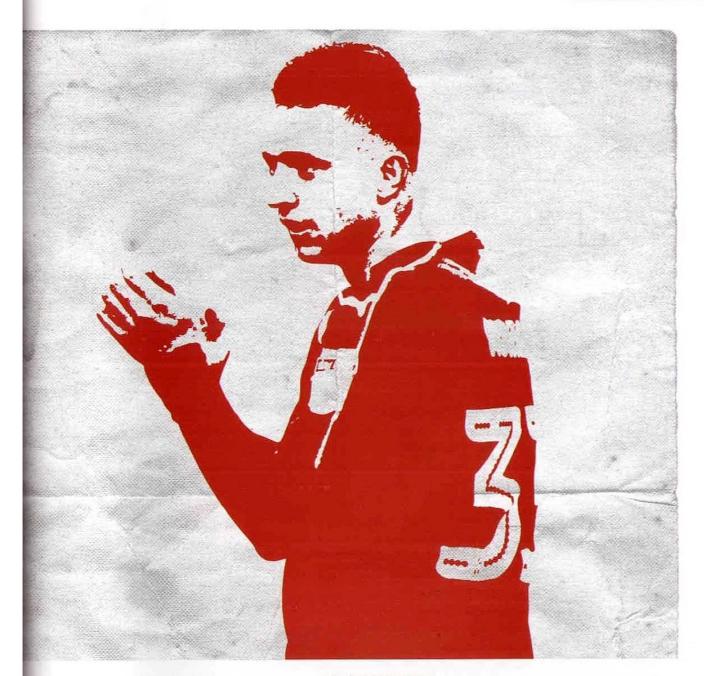




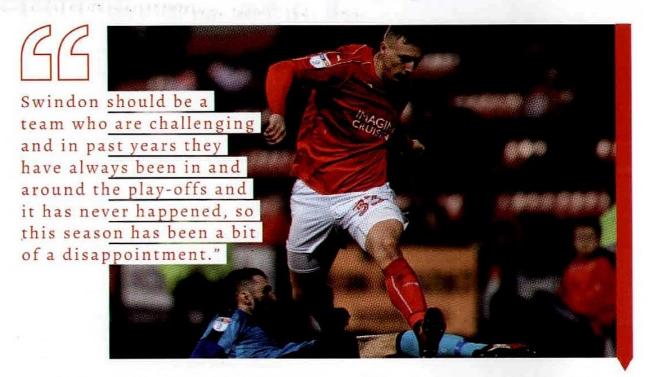
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### 2017 is now here but what are your overall reflections of 2016?

I was top of the league with Gillingham at the start of last year and we were going really well. It looked like we were going to get promoted but we crumbled and ended up finishing way down the table.

I obviously signed here at the start of the season and I've enjoyed my time here, even though it has been a bit up and down. Hopefully now the worst is behind us and we can turn the corner going into the New Year.

Swindon should be a team who are challenging and in past years they have always been in and around the play-offs and it has never happened, so this season has been a bit of a disappointment. We've had a few games where we've played big teams like Charlton Athletic and Bradford



- ▶ Age: 23
- Place of Birth: Stevenage, England
- ▶ Height: 5"11.5
- Position: Striker
- Squad Number: 33
- Previous Clubs:
  Brentford,
  Boreham
  Wood (L),
  Northampton
  Town (L),
  Dagenham &
  Redbridge (L),
  Gillingham

City and we've outplayed them in every way and shown the quality that we have. We just haven't shown that on a consistent basis and that is something we've got to sort out.

We grinded out a point at home to Fleetwood last month and we should have won the game, but if that was a few months ago we would have lost it so that was a turning point for us and hopefully we can take it into the New Year.

Are the wins at home to Charlton and Bradford City the highlights of the first-half of the 2016/17 season?

Teams come here and still respect us knowing that if we play well we'll win the game, even when we've been struggling. People can see that we've got the quality but it is just doing it week in and week out and that's why teams get

promoted because they do it week in and week out.

Consistency has been mentioned a lot around the club in recent months, but is that now the key ingredient to add to the mix in your opinion?

We've lacked that since the start of the season. We've got quality all over the pitch and we know if we play well then we should win the majority of the games. We know it isn't always going to go our way, that's football, but consistency is probably one of the best things to have as a team in any league. If

you are consistent you are going to pick up results, even if you play badly. If a team is consistent then they are always going to do well.

You opened your league account for the club against Fleetwood in our last game here at SN1 – is it a case of really kicking on now in terms of trying to go on a goalscoring run?

It took far too long for me to score but a regular run of games is going to be key for me. I'm always going to create chances so hopefully now I'll see a few more of them hit the back of the net.

Moving on to Southend now and it wasn't that long ago that we played out a 1-1 draw at Roots Hall. What were your impressions of the Shrimpers that day?

Southend are a very good side and it was a very good result for us in the end. They bombarded us towards the end of the game and it was one of the first times this season where we really held on and we got a point away from home. They've got some very good players but I think it will be a different story this afternoon. Southend play very well at home but teams change when they come here so I'll be looking forward to it.







We beat Southend 4-2 in one of our first games of 2016 so a similar result today would be nice wouldn't it!

If we can score four, then we should win the game but I don't like the sound of going two goals down! We'll come out and we'll fight and we need to start winning the majority of our home games if we are going to do anything this season. The league is still open so any teams that can string a few results together will be knocking on the door.

Finally, just how important is it to get a win in our opening game of 2017 today in order to start the New Year on a high?

We can almost put the first-half of the season behind us with a victory today and then give it a really good go. We can't do any worse and we can only get better because of the quality that we have. If we keep everyone fit and everyone is playing well then we've got a good chance of climbing up the table.

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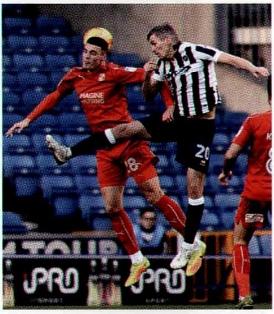
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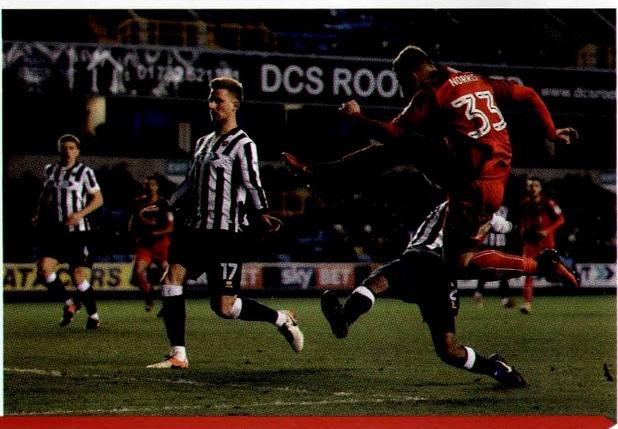
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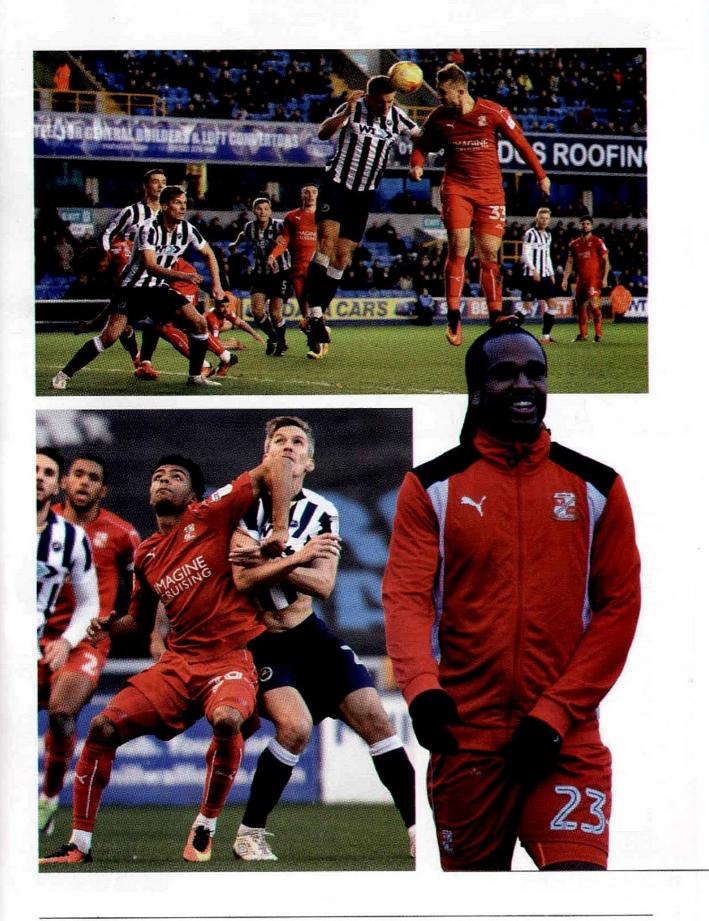
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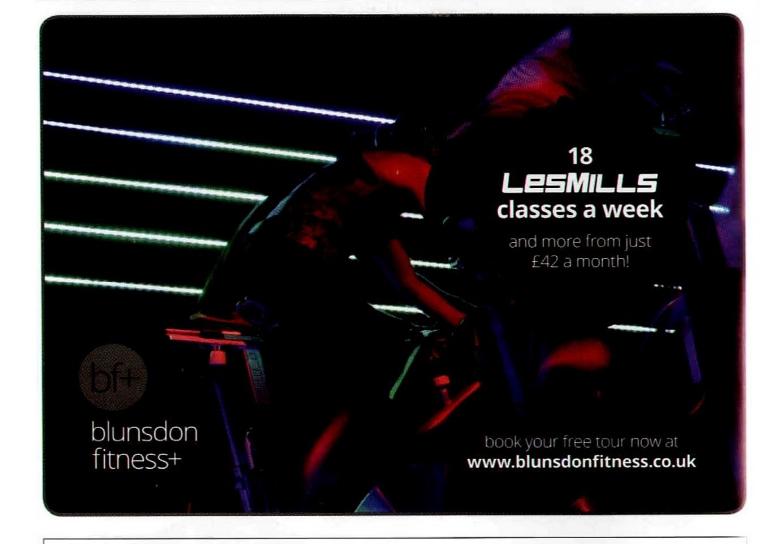
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### GIRLS DEVELOPMENT

### Good Afternoon and Happy New Year to all Swindon Town Fans!

Last year was our most successful for our Women and Girls section here at STFC. The Under 14's achieved a third place finish in June at the Barcelona Cup and led 1-0 with just 5 minutes to go in a fantastic Semi- Final before going down with 2 heart breaking late minute goals.

The girls bounced back well to win the bronze medal match 3-0. The current Under 15's Girls continued their amazing run with victory at the Gothia cup in Sweden, while the Under 16's and Under 17's both progressed from their groups but lost in the knock out stages.

Georgia Brown became the second girl in 3 years from the STFITC programme to achieve an England School Girl selection in December and we look forward to reporting on her success in 2017. This year we entered the Elite league girls Programme and we have shown how strong we have become with our teams dominating the majority of our games. In the run out before Christmas we met Swansea and MK Dons, with all of our teams from U10's - U16's picking up victories on the day.

It's definitely not all about winning games but I feel now that our teams play with a winning mentality and style that Is finally starting to put Swindon and Wiltshire on the Map. Our

Under 16's Wiltshire schools team defeated Oxfordshire and Berkshire to win their group and now face Hampshire or Dorset in the next round for a place in the National Cup.

Our C6 girls proudly sit top of their league and, despite disappointing cup exits, will be looking to win their remaining games of the season to hopefully claim the title.

There is so much to look forward to in 2017 with trips to Holland, Sweden and Barcelona and of course welcoming our new additions to C6 in February, Georgia's games for England and our PL Girls programme with 6 satellite Centres running across the County.

For more information on any of our sessions please contact shane@stfc-fitc.co.uk





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### Today's Mascots...

### JACK WOLLINGTON



Age: 6 School: Rodbourne Cheney Primary School

Hobbies/likes: Football, swimming, Beavers, Lego

Favourite Town player: Lawrence Vigouroux

### **ARCHIE MACNEILL**



Age: 9 School: Burghfield St Mary's School, Berkshire

Teams played for: School team Hobbies/likes: Football, Electric Guitar, Drawing.

Favourite Town player: Michael Doughty

### OLIVER WOLLINGTON



Age: 8 (9 on the 3rd of January 2017)

School: Rodbourne Cheney Primary School

Hobbies/likes: Football, school, holidays, computers, Lego

Favourite Town player: Michael Doughty

### ARCHIE WOODS



Age: 8 School: St Fancis

Teams played for: Swindon Supermarine

Hobbies/likes: Football, Swimming

Swimming

Favourite Town player: Micheal Docherty

### CARA SOMMERVILLE



Age: 8
School: Grange Juniors
Teams played for: STFITC U10's

Hobbies/likes: Wants to play for England some day! She has also taught herself circus skills. Currently trying to master the Unicycle

Favourite Town player: Raphael Rossi Bronco/ Michael Doughty

### ERIN SOMMERVILLE



Age: 10 School: Grange Juniors

Teams played for: Trains weekly with STFITC football development course

Hobbies/likes: Anything pink & glittery! Also really enjoys looking after people both old & young. Has an aversion to vegetables!

Favourite Town player: Nathan Thompson

### **OLIVER EASLEY**



Age: 8
School: The Peninsala School,
Melbourne, Australia

Teams played for: Mornington Seagulls U8's

Hobbies/likes: Soccer, Basketball

Favourite Town player: Yaser Kasim #8

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Reuben Parnham Celebrated his 1st Birthday on Christmas Day & welcome to the Imagine Cruising Suite for the first time. Usually in the Town End with Mum Laura, who has also been Celebrating her Birthday over the Festive Period.

> Happy Birthday Laura and Reuben Parnham.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ashleigh did not want to spend her Birthday anywhere else but at The County Ground. So here we are a day early celebrating in style. Happy 14th Sweetheart. Love from Mum, Alex and All the Family xxx

### HAPPY 18TH

to STFC Store employee Ryan Carney. Have a brilliant day, love from Mum, Dad, Liam, Caitlin and all your friends at STFC!





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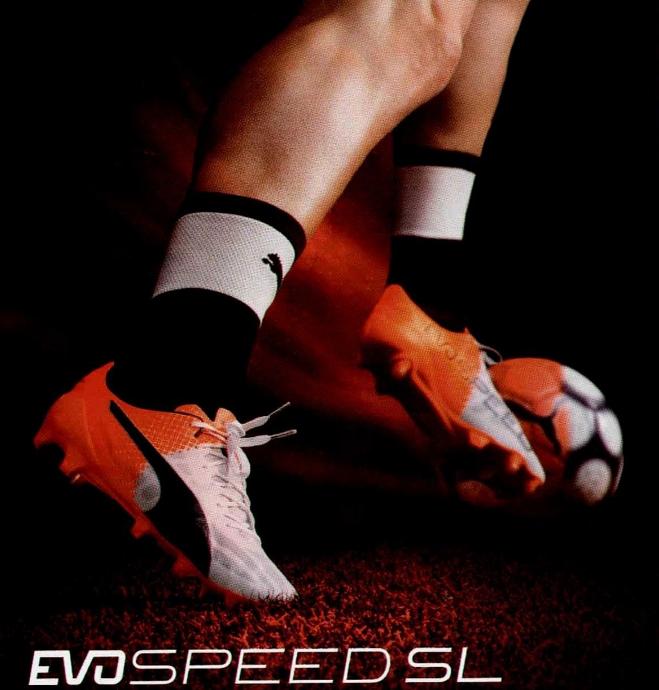


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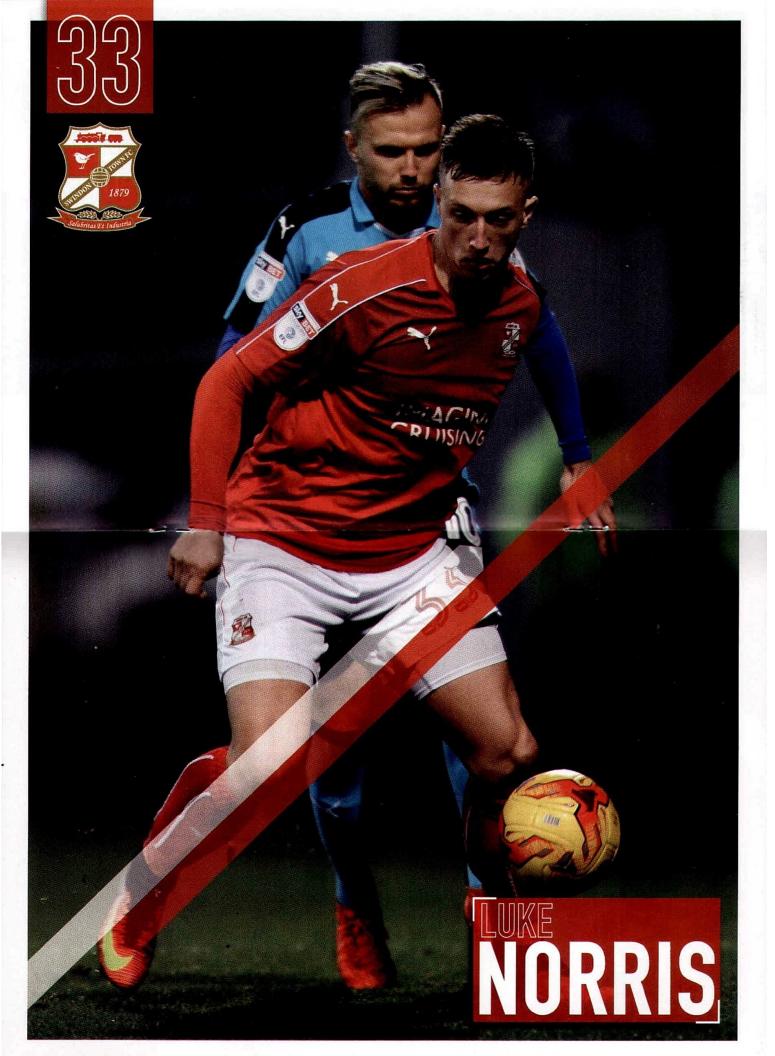
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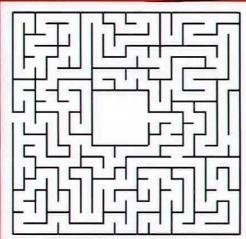
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## SPOT THE BALL







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### GUESS WHO?

CAN YOU NAME WHO THIS TOWN PLAYER IS?



### SUPPORTERS CLUB THE STACK SUPPORTERS CLUB

Good afternoon and welcome to The County Ground this afternoon to all Swindon Town supporters and those who are visiting us from Southend. We hope you had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed your New Year with not too many headaches!

### A HAPPY NEW YEAR to EVERYONE!

The year 2016 saw a number of changes in the Supporters Club. We lost two Committee members due to other commitments. We also saw our Chairman Roger Bunce stand down for health reasons and sadly one of our popular half-time draw sellers Mike Reeves passed away having had cancer. On a personal note I have struggled with my mobility and wound up having a total knee replacement. So I have been missing at The County Ground for the first half of this season but I am really looking forward to the second half.

One event to look forward to in 2017 will be the AGM - on a date to be announced very soon after our next committee meeting on Saturday 7th January. We will be welcoming applications to join our committee, so if you are

interested, please send yours in writing either by email to enquiries@ swindontownsupportersclub.com or addressed to: The Secretary, Swindon Town Supporters Club, The County Ground, Swindon SN1 2ED.

On Sunday 19th February 2017 the Annual Programme Fair will be held in the Legends Lounge. This has become a very popular event for programme and memorabilia collectors so please put this date in your diary.

The winners of the half-time draw for Fleetwood were:

1st prize No. 702 Mr John Phillips from Redditch won £482

2nd prize No. 1030 - £55 NOT CLAIMED at present.

Ann ALDER, Vice Chairperson

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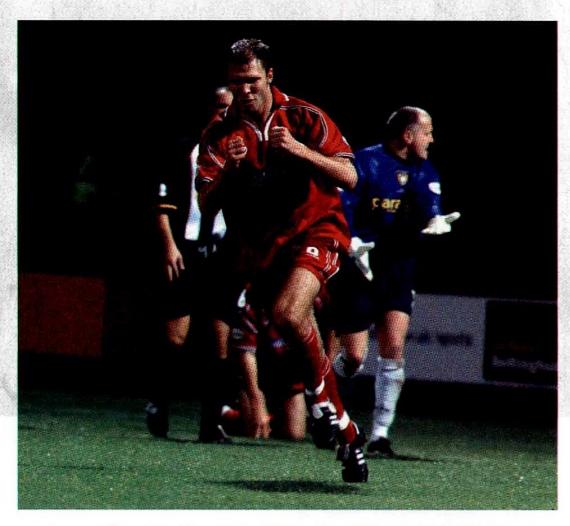
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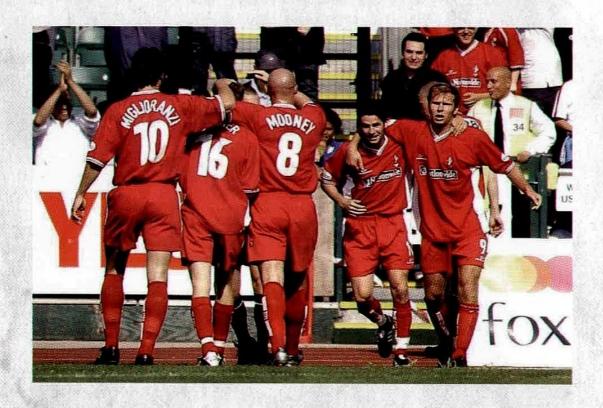
# FAME



### SAM PARKIN

ONE OF SWINDON TOWN'S FAVOURITE SONS, THE FORMER STRIKER WILL BE HONOURED PRIOR TO KICK-OFF THIS AFTERNOON FOR HIS GOALSCORING EXPLOITS AT SN1...

ARRIVING AT THE COUNTY GROUND FOR A FEE OF £50,000 IN AUGUST 2002, PARKIN MADE A BLISTERING START TO HIS TOWN CAREER AND BAGGED A STUNNING HAT-TRICK ON HIS DEBUT AT HOME TO BARNSLEY ON THE OPENING DAY OF THE 2002/03 SEASON.



That proved to be just the start and the popular striker was soon christened 'Super Sammy Parkin' by the Town faithful who had found a new hero to worship on the terraces. He departed Wiltshire a club legend in 2005 having plundered 73 goals in 142 appearances for the Robins.

'Super Sam' will today be presented with a club tie and be inducted into Town's Hall of Fame, and R&W sat down with the former frontman to get his reflections on his time at SN1...

Just how much of an honour is it for you to be inducted into Swindon Town's Hall of Fame and

### joining the likes of Don Rogers, John Trollope, Fraser Digby and Paul Bodin?

It is a huge honour and I don't think it takes a rocket scientist to work out that it was my most fruitful time as a footballer and as a striker, so they are brilliant memories. I'm a massive fan of football and even before my time at Swindon I was well aware of some of the legends at the football club and as my time unfolded at the football club I had the opportunity to meet people like Don Rogers, Fraser Digby, Paul Bodin, Kevin Horlock and people like that.

To join that list of names is unbelievable for me.

### You had so many highlights during your time at Town but is there one in particular that stands out for you?

It is really hard to pinpoint just one or two memories because the whole three years was just a wonderful time. The manager instilled confidence in me from day one and scoring goals just seemed like the easiest thing in the world during those three years. It was a glorious time, I was in my early twenties, my family loved coming down, all my mates loved coming to games and it was just a brilliant, brilliant time.

In terms of specific moments, I would say the hattrick on my debut was probably one of my greatest days and there were a load more memories, but every time I turned up at The County Ground I thought I was going to score, I thought I was going to play well, everyone supported me and I got on great with the lads and I loved training every day. I can't remember a period or a day where I was upset or angry or didn't want to be at the football club, it was a remarkable three years and I think that's why I've maintained such a good relationship with everyone.

The late, great Andy King, who is sadly no longer with us, had a knack of getting the best out of players during his time at SN1. Just what was it like working under someone like that?

You either loved or hated Kingy I think, he rubbed people up the wrong way, he used to spar with the people in the media, he used to fall out with the fans, he used to fall out with the opposition managers but, in terms of getting the best out of a group of players, there's probably been no one better that I have worked with. He was essentially one of the lads and he could give you a hammering, he could give you the hairdryer treatment in the dressing room, but he knew how to get the best out of people.

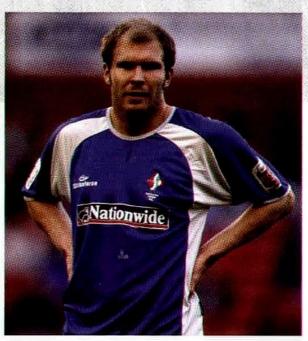
He knew what made me tick from day one. I needed a bit of an arm around me at that age, I needed to be told I was this and I was that and he did that with me. He told me I was his centre-forward and he would allow me to have an off-day, he would allow me to be poor or miss some chances and I knew I would play the following week and that's what got the best out of me.

It is terribly sad that he's gone so early and he was like a father figure to me in terms of football. He will be sorely missed by everyone and he made a real impact on me and he's someone that I have a lot of gratitude towards.

You are still heavily involved at the football club through your media work for BBC Wiltshire. How nice is it for you to still be close to a club you care so much about?

I don't think you can ever foresee what is going to happen when you stop playing football but I've always enjoyed doing the media side of things and Swindon was the natural place for me to start. I've become a fan again, QPR was my team as a child, but Swindon is probably now the first result I look for and I feel like a supporter, which is quite strange but nice at the same time. I've become friendly with a lot of the players and staff at the club and it has been really nice to build relationships with people without having the pressure of being actually out there and being a footballer.

Swindon will be a big part of my life going forward, it will be a big part of my family's life and my nephew still hasn't picked up a team so I'm sure his allegiance may be to Swindon! It will be a big part of my life and it has been really nice to start a new career at a place where I've got such fond memories of.



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### ON THIS DAY:

### 2 JANUARY

### 1915

While the Great War was raging in Europe, domestic football continued at home, with Swindon visiting the other County Ground in Northampton. Leading 2-0 at the break, Sam Allen's men ended 3-2 winners with Billy Tout, Freddy Wheatcroft and Billy Batty claiming the goals.

### 1926

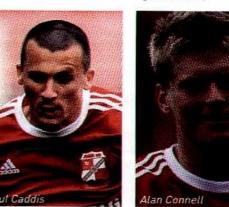
Town ran riot against visitors Bournemouth in the Third Division South, winning 8-2. Centre-forward Frank Richardson helped himself to four goals - for the third time in just eight games!

### 1952

After two drawn games in the FA Cup Second Round, Torquay met Swindon again - at neutral Ashton Gate. Despite the game being played on a Wednesday afternoon, over 12,000 turned up to see the 'Moonrakers' triumph 3-1, the goals coming from Roy Onslow, Jimmy Bain and Maurice Owen.







### 1971

Town pulled off a fine 2-1 victory at Loftus Road in the Third Round of the FA Cup. Arthur Horsfield and Peter Noble put them two goals up with twelve minutes remaining before Rodney Marsh replied for Rangers with an 81st minute penalty.

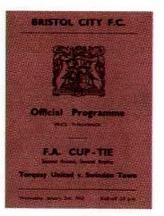
### 1989

David Geddis and Duncan Shearer were on larget at Fratton Park as Swindon ran out 2-0 winners. Geddis struck just before half-time, but it would prove to be his last senior goal for the club. The same pair had also found the scoresheet in the previous away fixture at Bradford, where honours were even.

### 2012

Five years ago today, two second-half goals from Paul Caddis and Alan Connell gave Town a 2-0 home win over AFC Wimbledon, leaving them just three points behind third-placed Southend but having played one game more.







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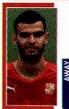
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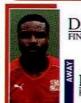
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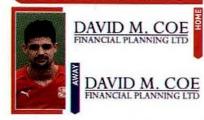
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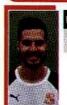
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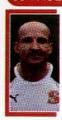
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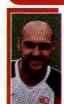
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### **SWINDON TOWN**

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### **SOUTHEND UNITED**



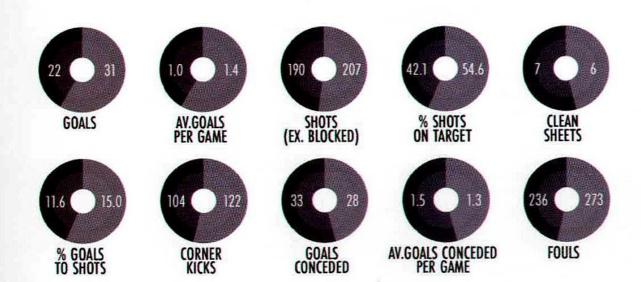
### **MATCH FACTS**

Swindon have won each of the last four home league games against Southend they last won five consecutive games in August 1926 (a run of seven successive wins).

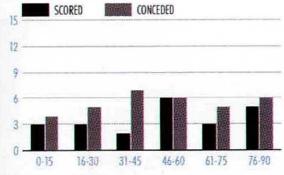


### **MATCH FACTS**

After a run of five successive league wins against the Robins, Southend have failed to win any of the last eight league encounters (D2 L6).

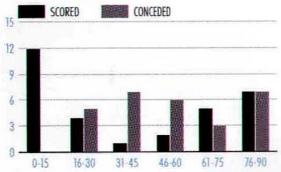


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### LOU MACARI'S RED AND WHITE ARMY

30 YEARS ON

### SWINDON TOWN 1 BURY 0

**3 JANUARY 1987** 

Although there were a few changes numerically - striker Peter Coyne wearing the number two shirt - Lou Macari stuck to the eleven names that had finished in the 0-1 defeat at Bournemouth 48 hours earlier, when Mark Gardiner came in for Alan McLoughlin in left midfield.

Gardiner, who had celebrated his 20th birthday on Christmas Day, struck the deciding goal just after the hour. Following a corner on the left from the tireless Mark Jones, he hit a left foot volley from the edge of the area that went through a forest of legs and crept inside keeper Phil Hughes' left-hand post.

Town had much the better of the first-half but time and time again were frustrated by Northern Ireland international Hughes, whose best save denied the rookie Gardiner. It was the turn of home keeper Fraser Digby to shine after the break, denying Alan Taylor a quick equaliser and then making at least two more outstanding saves as Swindon were pinned back in their own half for long periods.

On the couple of occasions he was beaten, no damage was done. A Jonathan Clark strike hit the back stanchion after going narrowly wide and then Digby acrobatically kept out a Liam Robinson header but was helpless as Jamie Hoyland's follow-up needed Colin Calderwood to kick off the line.

STFC: Digby, Coyne, Hockaday, Jones, Parkin, Calderwood, Gardiner, Kamara, Quinn (Bamber), White, Barnard

ATT: 6,675





### 1986/87 PLAYER SPOTLIGHT MARK GARDINER

### BORN:

Siddington, Glos. 25 Dec 1966

### **SWINDON TOWN APPS:**

8+7 (1 goal)



# Mark Gardiner is through on gos but the keeper saved this attempt

### CAREER:

STFC (sby Dec 1981, pro Oct 1984)

Torquay United (nc Feb 1987)

Crewe Alexandra (Aug 1988)

Chester City (loan Mar 1995)

Fredrikstad (Apr 1995)

Macclesfield Town (Oct 1995)

Northwich Victoria (Dec 1997)

Leek Town (plyr-man Oct 2000)

Nantwich Town (Jan 2001)

Middlewich Town

TC Exiles

Ken Beamish gave Mark his League debut in April 1984 while he was still an apprentice.

After gaining a pro contract in 1984/85, he netted 11 goals in the FA Youth Cup as Town reached the Fourth Round, making it twenty in that competition following his nine strikes the previous season. Then, stepping up to the Combination side in 1985/86, Mark was top scorer with 18.

But he would make only six more starts for Town in the League, the penultimate one being against Bury when he netted his only senior goal that would be enough to clinch the points.

Mark appeared in every reserve fixture during the first half of 1986/87, but was soon on his way to Plainmoor before going on to make over 200 appearances while at Gresty Road.



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2	Sheffield United	23	9	1	2	20	8	5	4	2	22	15	1.9	47
3	Bolton Wanderers	23	8	3	1	19	7	6.	1	4	11	7	16	46
4	Rochdale	23	9	1	2	26	8	3	2	6	10	21	7	39
5	Bradford City	23	ş	7	0	18	8	4	4	3	10	- 11	9	38
6	Southend United	23	6	4	2	20	12	4	3	4	14	16	6	37
7	Peterborough	22	5	4	1	23	14	5	2	3	13	10	12	36
8	Fleetwood Town	23	7	.4	1	21	12	2	3	6	13	16	6	34
9	Milliwall	23	ò	3	3	20	11	4	1	6	17	25	1	34
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16	Gillingham	23	5	4	2	16	11	3	2	7	15	26	-6	30
17	Port Vale	23	6	3	3	20	15	1	3	7	6	22	-11	27
18	MK Dons	23	1	4	7	11	21	5	2	4	15	11	-6	24
19	Swindon Town	23	5	4	5	13	11	1	5	6	9	24	-13	24
20	Bury	23	4	0	7	17	20	2	3	7	15	25	-13	21
21	Shrewsbury Town	23	3	3	5	12	15	2	3	7	11	21	-13	21
22	Chesterfield	23	5	1	5	17	19	1	2	9	10	23	-15	21
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24	Oldham Athletic	22	1	4	5	4	11	2	5	5	8	15	-14	18

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### TODAY'S FIXTURES

Wimbledon v Millwall
Bury v Sheff Utd
Charlton v Bristol Rovers
Chesterfield v MK Dons
Coventry v Bolton
Gillingham v Oxford Utd

Northampton v Bradford
Oldham v Port Vale
Scunthorpe v Peterborough
Shrewsbury v Fleetwood
Walsall v Rochdale

# Nurray

New Year. New Start. That's how Sean Murray is approaching 2017 as he aims to help Town kickstart their season and climb up the Sky Bet League One table.

The 2016/17 campaign hasn't been an enjoyable one for the Reds so far but the former Watford man sees today's encounter with Southend United as a real opportunity for Town to wipe the slate clean and start the year as they mean to go on.

"We know it wasn't good enough against Millwall on Boxing Day so today's game is a good chance to start the New Year off on a high," he told R&W.

"We need to get the New Year up and running and if we can get the win today then hopefully it will be a sign of things to come.

"A win today would give everyone a boost and the team would gain a bit of confidence from it. It is a new start for us so if we can beat Southend this afternoon then hopefully we can push on from that, gain a bit of confidence and take that into the coming games.

"When we drew 1-1 at home to Fleetwood in our last game here, we were under a little bit of pressure but we fought really hard and showed a lot of determination to defend the goal, so if we can do that and make The County Ground a bit of fortress then it will be good for us."

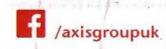
Town have already locked horns with Southend once this season after the two sides played out a 1-1 draw at Roots Hall in November, and Murray believes his side can take confidence from that game into this afternoon's fixture.

"Southend are pretty similar to Millwall. They are a big team, they are quite direct and we struggled to deal with that against Millwall, so we'll be working on what went wrong in that game and try and put that right against Southend," he added.

"If we defend like we did the last time we played Southend and add a bit to our attack and create a few more chances, then I don't see why we can't put in a good performance and win the game."











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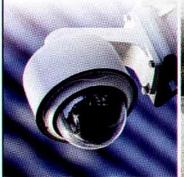


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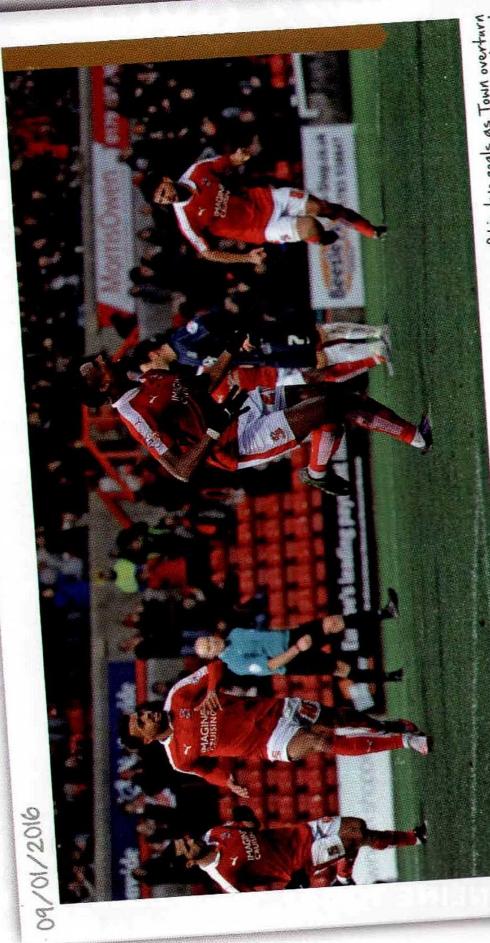












Jon Obika celebrates one of his two goals as Town overturn a two-goal deficit in emphatic fashion to defeat Southend a two-goal deficit in emphatic formity Ground last season.

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### **ACADEMY**

WITH JEREMY NEWTON

Town's Academy Manager looks back on a gloryfilled weekend for the U13s and reveals the process behind assessing the first-half of the 2016/17 season...

Our U13s won a tournament in Southend last weekend and it was a superb achievement. Southend are very good and they've hosted a few of these tournaments now, and it gave us a real varied games programme with Southend, Barnet, Leyton Orient, Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal. We went across Category One, Category Two and Category Three Academies so in the space of one day we were able to play a really varied games programme where we undertook different styles of play, which will effectively have a knock-on effect in the players' development.

> WP started the off tournament really well by beating Southend 2-0, we then beat Spurs 1-0 straight after that, drew 0-0 Barnet, beat Leyton Orient 2-1 and then overcame Arsenal 2-0 so it was a long day for the players. We only had eleven players because the U13s had a game against Exeter so I took the eleven that I thought could do really well for us. The players played 100 minutes each which is twenty minutes more than what they would play in a normal games programme, so there were a lot of variables to take into

consideration. I said to the boys at the start that if we could get a good result in the first game then it gives you the momentum to carry on going and once we beat 5purs. I thought the boys got better and better as the tournament went on. We managed to win it which was important for us because if they go into the U18s or the first-team it is about three points and making sure that they know how to win and why to win a game because, ultimately, that is what they will be judged on.

It has been a really good mid-season review which we will speak about in all departments. We'll speak to all departments about what went well, how we can improve things and we'll evaluate the first-half of the season. We'll then re-evaluate what we've actually achieved to then go again. The expectations here for all the staff is that we want as much productivity as we can and ultimately that's what we want. The group of staff and players are working tirelessly behind the scenes in order to try and increase productivity and we've got some talented boys coming through. Hopefully the opportunities will keep coming and it will be down to them to make their opportunities

Jeremy NEWTON, Swindon Town Academy Manager.





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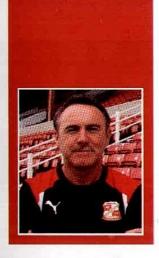
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### STFCU18s

It has been a mixed bag in terms of our last couple of results for the boys in recent weeks.

### EFL YOUTH ALLIANCE: SOUTH-WEST CONFERENCE (U18S)

SATURDAY 17 DECEMBER -

AFC BOURNEMOUTH 5 SWINDON TOWN 1

Matheus, Reek, Romanski (Stalling), Georgiskis (Stanley), Frimung, Hallianey (Granalte), Buldridge (Matheur), Edward Pacc, Foung, With. Soviets Team,

### **NEXT HOME FIXTURE**

SATURDAY 7 JANUARY —

HOME FIXTURES THIS SEASON WILL BE PLAYED AT STANLEY PARK, CHIPPENHAM - KO 11am (Sat Nav : SN15 3RW)

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Newport County	13	7	4	2	30	19	四	11
Portsmouth	13	7	2	4	24	26	23	-2
SWINDON TOWN	15	6	3	6	28	29	21	-1
Dxford United	14	5	4	5	31	23	19	8
Plymouth Argyle	14	4	5	5	27	29	17	-2
AFC Bournemouth	15	4	4	7	18	19	16	-1
Chettenham Town	15	4	4	7	23	30	16	-7
Yeavil Town	14	3	2	9.	14	32	11	-16

Unfortunately, after the good performance against QPR in the FA Youth Cup, we went down to Bournemouth and a combination of fatigue and a little bit of mental tiredness contributed to a 5-1 defeat. We didn't play too badly within that loss but when we play some younger players, and we have to sometimes because of injuries and suspensions, it can be a shock to the system for them and that was the case against Bournemouth.

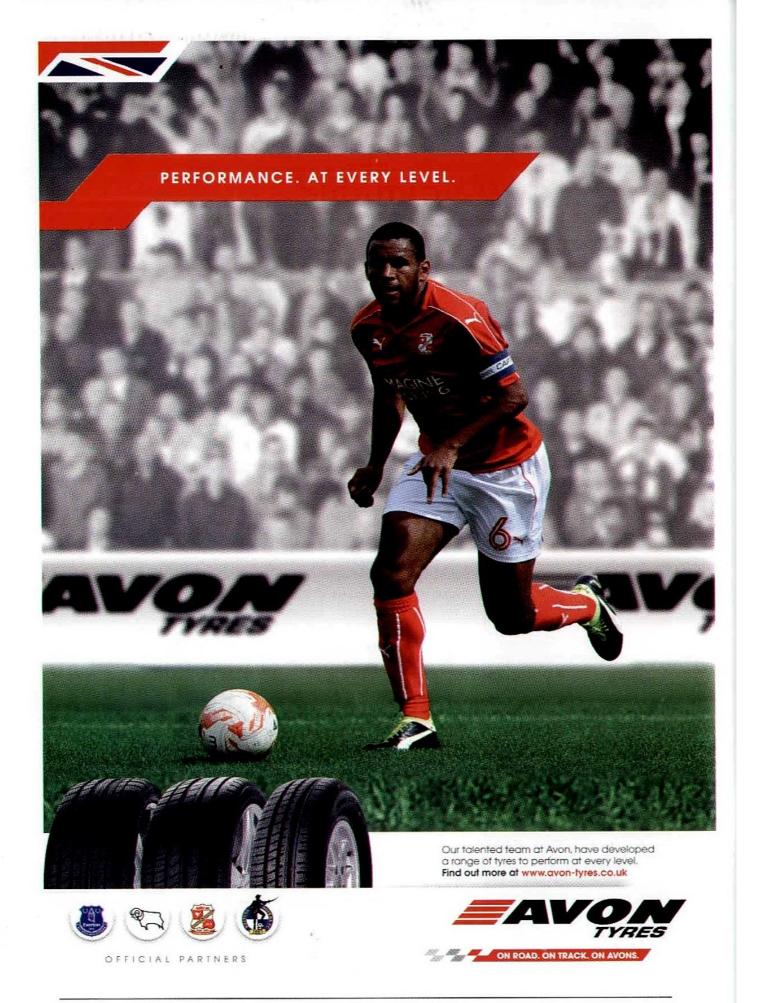
It just didn't happen on the day and it was a little bit of a learning curve for the boys coming into that environment. Bournemouth were at full tilt, had a strong team out and we were a little bit understrength and that showed in the result. A couple of the goals were a little bit dubious in terms of decision making by the officials so that was a little bit disappointing. overall. Bournemouth deserved their victory and it was just one of those days that you have in development football. Scott Twine scored a great goal but he missed a couple of chances, although the fact he's getting chances and creating chances for himself and others is fantastic.

It was disappointing but I was happy that the players who were involved that aren't normally have got a flavour of the intensity and what is required to perform on a regular basis week in and week out to win games.

We bounced back however and beat Coventry City 1-0 just a few days after the defeat to Bournemouth. Only five of the first-year scholars were involved and the rest of the players were from the U16s and it was the same scenario for Coventry. We did very well and the boys understood and listened to the aims and objectives before the game in terms of what you do without the ball and how we play out from the back. We mixed our game up really well.

Ollie Rejek, who isn't farmed for scoring, cut in on his left foot and hit an absolute screamer from 25-yards into the top right-hand corner. It was a very good goal and we were very pleased. It was good to see the U16s involved and we will have to make a decision on them at the end of this month, so it gave us a good indicator as to what they can and can't do.

The boys are starting to come back now after a bit of a break over the Christmas period. Seb Martinez went back to the Cayman Islands to see his family and James Georgaklis has had his family over from Australia so it was important he spent some time with them. The local boys were available to train for the first-team over the Christmas period but they didn't have the full complement of Scholars as it was important they got a break.



### U18S SQUAD

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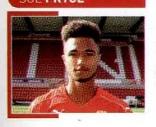
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### 2016-17 STAT PACK



### **LEAGUE ONE TOP FIVES**

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2	SHARP	14	2 🕣 MADDISON	8
3	TAYLOR	13	3 O FLECK	7
4 種	<b>VAUGHAN</b>	10	4 @ BUNNEY	6
5	ALEX JONES	9	5 💆 COX	6
SHOTS	ON TARGET		MINUTES PER GOAL	
1	MAGUIRE	44	1 🊳 TAYLOR	121
2	SHARP	37	2 🙀 PADDY MADDEN	121
3 @	MADDISON	34	3 POLEON	122
4	TAYLOR	34	4 麓 VAUGHAN	134
5 😼	MORRIS	27	5 🚳 SHARP	136
% OF	GOALS INVOLVED IN	•	MINUTES PER CHANCE CREATED	
1 5	MORRIS	50	1 📵 MADDISON	195
2	MAGUIRE	46	2 AMORRIS	219
3	SHARP	45	3 O FLECK	222
4	OZTUMER	44	4 PARRETT	231
5 @	MADDISON	40	5  BUNNEY	235
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### LEAGUE ONE SPOTLIGHT

Scunthorpe United will be top of League One on Christmas Day this season with 47 points; the most since Charlton in 2011/12 (48 points).

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### LEAGUE ONE SPOTLIGHT

Two of the last three teams to be bottom of League One on Christmas Day have avoided relegation (Crewe in 2014/15 and Bristol City in 2013/14).





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Good Afternoon and welcome to The County Ground for our first home game of the year, and Jon and I and everyone at Football In The Community would like to take this opportunity of wishing you all a healthy and happy New Year.

### MIKE REEVES

We were all deeply saddened here at Football In The Community to hear about the sudden passing of Mike Reeves back in October of last year. Jon and I have fond memories of the Reeves family, who we supported back in 1996 when Anthony, Mike's son, was 13-years-old and was diagnosed with Leukaemia.

We travelled to Haddenham back in the summer of 96 when we were delighted to be the guests of honour at Anthony's U13s Football Club Presentation Evening. We were made extremely welcome by Mike, his wife Jill and his two children Anthony and Sarah. The whole family, who live in Aylesbury, have been life-long Swindon Town supporters with Mike being a prominent personality here on a

matchday, selling the half-time draw tickets on behalf of the Swindon Town Supporters Club.

I was delighted to meet with Anthony and Sarah on Saturday 17th December 2016 where they donated a cheque for over £400, which was collected at Mike's funeral back in October. This wonderful donation has been so gratefully received and will go towards supporting our multisports disability rest bite courses, which we deliver during half-terms.

We would like to offer our sincere thanks to the Reeves family and everyone who kindly donated to mark the wonderful memory of Mike Reeves. Mike was a wonderful family man



and a staunch loyal supporter of Swindon Town Football Club and he will be sadly missed by all of his friends and family.

### **OURCOURSES**

Holiday Courses • Soccer Centres • After School Coaching Clubs • Saturday Team Club • Tiny Tots (2-3 year olds) • Mini Soccer (4-5 year olds) • Extra Time lover 60s Healthy Living Programmes] • Birthday Parties • Disability Programme • Twilight Football: Teenage Sessions • Ground Tours • Club Coaching Days • Free In-Schools Coaching • Girls Coaching & Development & Centre For Excellence • Multi Sports • Swindon Town Ladies Football Club • Football Fans in Training











### CHRISTMAS COURSES

We ran a two-day Christmas Course here at Swindon Town Football Club where we had 150 local children attending our mainstream courses, girls and goalkeeping courses as well as our Elite Camp, which was delivered at Kingsdown School.

It was a fabulous two days with the weather being extremely kind to us, particularly on the Tuesday when we experienced wall-to-wall sunshine. The icing was put on top of the Christmas Cake when we were very pleased to have both James Brophy and Ellis landolo with us, who presented the traditional awards to the children after a really interesting Q&A session with all the children. We were also delighted to

welcome Dave Palmer from the PFA who was present to monitor the two players who did a fine job on the day. It really does make it extra special for us when we get the support of the players to such events as our Holiday Courses and Development Centres that we deliver through our Community Trust.

We hope you enjoy today's game and we look forward to telling you about our recent trip to Zambia in the Shrewsbury programme on Saturday 7th January.





### **DEVELOPMENT**CENTRES

### COMMONWEAL

SAT: 9.00 -10.00 4-6 yrs Junior Academ 10.00 -11.00 4-6 yrs Junior Academ 11.00 -11.30 2-4 yrs Mini Robins 11.30 - 12.00 2-4 yrs Mini Robins

### CRICKLADE

FRI: 5.30-6.30 5-8 yrs

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### HAYDON CENTRE

MON: 4.00-5.00 5-6 yrs
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5.00-6.00 7-8 yrs
6.00-7.00 9-11 yrs
SAT: 8.30-9.15 5-6 yrs

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### HIGHWORTH

THUR: 1.15 - 1.45 2-4 yrs

9.15-10.00

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MON: 4.30 - 5.30 5-8 yrs Junior Academ 5.00 - 6.00 8-14 yrs

### RIDGEWAY

WED: 6.00 - 7.00 8-11 yrs

### STRATTON

TUE: 3.30 - 4.30 5-6 yrs
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### GOALKEEPERS (Kinasdown School)

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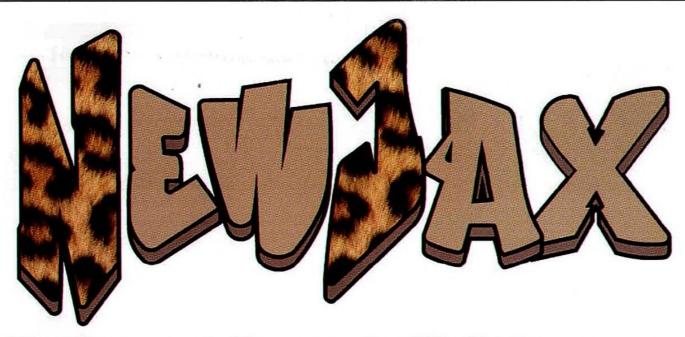
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### ISIMON COX

The former Town striker is now helping Southend United climb the Sky Bet League One table and, ahead of his first proper return to The County Ground, sat down with R&W to reflect on his time with the Robins and look ahead to today's game...

I obviously have very, very fond memories of my time at Swindon. It was a very family orientated club and every single one of my family came to the games and were made to feel very welcome. It was a really good platform to play my football and it was a very enjoyable time in my career – that showed for how well I was doing on the field as well.

Getting all of those goals during the 2008/09 season was lovely but you can never do that yourself without a good group of lads behind you. I struck up a really good partnership with Billy Paynter that year, he took all the bumps and the bruises and I was just able to put them in the back of the net!

I'm enjoying my time at Southend United and we're hoping to get in and around the play-offs by the end of the season. We're on a good run of form and it is a good basis for us to build on for the remaining twenty-odd games of the season.

We obviously played Swindon at our place a few weeks ago and I thought the goalkeeper, Lawrence Vigouroux played really well! It was an interesting game and it was obviously one that had a lot of significance for me and Michael Timlin as well having both played for Swindon. It looks like Swindon have now got a completely different

philosophy in terms of how they play from when I was there and it is all about possession, passing the ball and being inventive. For the first 60 minutes I thought it was pretty even and then we were trying to push to get the second goal but Lawrence Vigouroux was outstanding on the night and was probably the difference between the two teams.

Apart from a pre-season friendly for West Brom I've not actually been back to The County Ground to play so it will be interesting and it is one I'm really looking forward to. The fans were brilliant with me when I was there so it will be nice to bump into some familiar faces today.

It's good to be back.

Simon COX, Southend United Striker.





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### AWAY DAY

Swindon make the short journey to the Memorial Stadium on Saturday 28th January – 12:30pm Kick-Off.

Town's last trip to Rovers came way back in December 2011 when a Paul Caddis goal secured a share of the spoils for the Reds.

We have been allocated 279 seated tickets and 1000 terrace tickets for the game, with tickets starting to go on sale at 9:00am on Tuesday 3rd January.

Due to the small allocation of tickets Swindon will be running priority windows for this match.

### **Priority Sales Windows:**

Tuesday 3rd January 9:00am – 310+ Points Wednesday 4th January 9:00am – 290+ Points Thursday 5th January 9:00am – 260+ Points Monday 9th January 9:00am – 50+ Points Tuesday 10th January 9:00am – General Sale There will be priority windows in place for those wishing to purchase tickets for Town's trip to Bristol Rovers later this month.

### TICKET PRICES:

 SEATS:
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 TERRACE:
 065 - £10

 Adult - £21
 U16 - £12
 Adult - £18
 U16 - £10

 U21 - £17
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### HOW TO BUY:

Tickets can be purchased online at www.eticketing.co.uk/ swindontown, in person at the STFC Store or by phoning 0871 876 1993 and selecting option 1 (£2 booking fee per ticket applies).

For disabled tickets please call 0871 876 1993 and select option 2.

PLEASE NOTE – Only one ticket is allowed per person - if you are booking multiple tickets please have their client references.

If you have purchased a ticket in a certain window you will not be able to purchase an additional ticket in a new window.

### SAS TRAVEL

The SAS Travel office is open at the following times:

### Tuesday 7pm-8pm Thursday 7pm-8pm

Before all home fixtures until 30 minutes prior to kick off

All seats must be paid for at time of booking. Proof of age may be required when booking Junior seats.

Credit/debit card payment will be taken at time of booking.

All Under-16s must be accompanied by an adult.

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

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

### NOW ON SALE

### Bolton Wanderers 14/01/2017

Members - £22 Non Members - £24 Departs CG at 9:00am

### HOW TO BUY...

IN PERSON - Visit the STFC Store

ON THE PHONE - Call the STFC Store on 0871 876 1993 [There is a £2 charge per

ONLINE - Visit the STFC
Online ticket site at
eticketing.co.uk/swindontown

### 2016/17 TICKET PRICES...

### A Grade

Side Stands/Fast Plant Town End

U11 with Junior Red\*:

### FREE / FREE

U11 - **£2 / £2** U17 - **£8 / £8** 17-19 - **£12 / £12** 

Student\*\*\*/065 - £19 / £15

Adult - £25 / £19

### B Grade

Side Stands/Fast Plant Town End

U11 with Junior Red\* -

FREE / FREE

U11 - €2 / €2

U17 - E8 / E8

17-19 - **£12 / £12** 

Student\*\*\*/065 - £18 / £14

Adult - £23 / £18

### FAMILY TICKETS

A Grade

Side Stands/Fast Plant Town End

Family 1 - £37 / £36

Family 2 - £48 / £46

Family 3 - £59 / £58

B Grade

Side Stands/Fast

Plant Town End

Family 1 - £35 / £34

Family 2 - £45 / £44

Family 3 - £55 / £52

Family 1 - 1 Adult,

2 Juniors (U17 yrs)

Family 2 - 1 Adult, 2 Young Adult (17-19 yrs)

Family 3 - 2 Adults,

2 Juniors (U17 yrs)

### TICKETOFFICE

Tickets are currently on sale for Town's clash against Shrewsbury Town at The County Ground.

Swindon welcome the Shrews to SN1 on Saturday 7th January 2017 - 3pm Kick-Off.

The two sides played out a 1-1 draw earlier this season with John Goddard on the scoresheet for the Reds.

### TICKET PRICES:

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### HOW TO BUY:

Tickets can be purchased by calling the STFC Store on 0871 876 1993 and selecting option 1 [£2 booking fee per person applies], online at www.eticketing.co.uk/swindontown or by visiting the STFC Store in person at The County Ground.

### HOME TICKETS:

### SHREWSBURY TOWN

07/01/2017

KO - 3PM

Visit www.eticketing.co.uk/ swindontown for prices and to buy.

### PETERBOROUGH UNITED

21/01/2017

KO - 3PM

Visit www.eticketing.co.uk/ swindontown for prices and to buy.

### AWAY TICKETS:

### **BOLTON WANDERERS**

14/01/2017

**KO - 3PM** 

Visit www.eticketing.co.uk/ swindontown for prices and to buy.

### **BRISTOL ROVERS**

28/01/2017

KO - 12:30PM

Visit www.eticketing.co.uk/ swindontown for prices and to buy.

<sup>\*</sup>To qualify for a FREE Under 11s ticket, children need to join the Junior Red scheme for a one-off payment of C30. 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 STEC either in store or by ringing 0871 876 1993 and selecting option 2.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Please note Juniors must be accompanied by an Adult in the Fast Plant Town End.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Student tickets must be purchased before matchday

### 2016/17 FIXTURES & RESULTS

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Tue Sep 20	Bristol Rovers	1-2	6,760	Vigouroux	Branz	Jones (1)	C. Thomas	Thompson	Furlang
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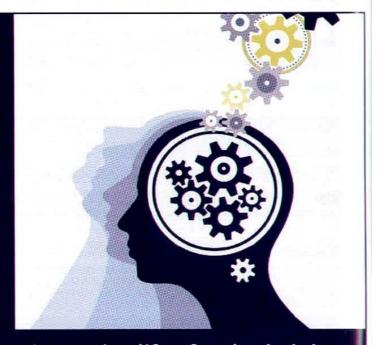
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### Pressing Matters

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you all had a great Christmas with your families and friends.

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pick a favourite
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the past twelve
months then it
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our 3-0 victory
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If, like me, you overindulged a little bit too much over the festive period then I'm sure you will agree with me that trying to move around over the last few days has been tough – I'm dreading the walk up the stairs to the Press Box this afternoon!

In all seriousness it is good to be back at SN1 following two away games over Christmas. I am writing these notes in the office the day after our 2-0 defeat to Millwall on Boxing Day, so here's hoping that we were able to secure a positive result away at MK Dons.

It was another disappointing afternoon at The Den and we haven't got a great recent record against the Lions. However, had Luke Norris' shot just crept in during the second-half with the score at 1-0 then it could have been a different story, but today is our first game of 2017 and it is a real opportunity to wipe the slate clean after a disappointing first-half of the season.

And recent history is on our side is it not? Let's not forget our meeting with Southend United here at The County Ground last season, which was funnily enough our first outing in 2016. We went two goals down but bounced

back in emphatic fashion to secure a brilliant 4-2 victory with Jon Obika on the scoresheet twice that day – a similar result today would go down a treat!

It wasn't that long ago that we played out a 1-1 draw with Southend at Roots Hall and it was good to see former Town favourite Simon Cox that night. Today will mark his first competitive return to SN1 and he has kindly penned his thoughts for R&W on his time with Town, which you can read on page 75.

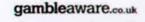
Finally, 2016 may be over but if I had to pick a favourite moment from the past twelve months then it would have to be our 3-0 victory against Charlton Athletic here in November. We were simply brilliant that day and all three goals were top drawer, particularly John Goddard's classy strike in the dying minutes. We showed our quality that day and I'm sure that will come to the fore on a more consistent basis in 2017.

Enjoy the game.

Andrew STEELE-DAVIS, Press Officer









### · TODAY'S TEAMS ·



### SWINDON TOWN

**HEAD COACH: LUKE WILLIAMS** 

LAWRENCE VIGOUROUX 01

NATHAN THOMPSON 02

BRANDON ORMONDE-OTTEWILL 03

CONOR THOMAS 04

ANTON RODGERS 05

JAMIE SENDLES-WHITE 06

MICHAEL DOUGHTY 07

YASER KASIM 08

JONATHAN OBIKA 09

JOHN GODDARD 10

JAMES BROPHY 11

WILL HENRY 12

**ELLIS IANDOLO 14** 

TOM SMITH 15

**JORDAN STEWART 16** 

**RHYS SHARPE 17** 

**JAKE EVANS 18** 

DARNELL FURLONG 20

**SEAN MURRAY 22** 

NATHAN DELFOUNESO 23

**JERMAINE HYLTON 24** 

**BRADLEY BARRY 27** 

LLOYD JONES 28

RAPHAEL ROSSI-BRANCO 29

LUKE NORRIS 33

**JORDAN YOUNG 35** 



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4TH OFFICIAL:

RAVEL CHEOSIAUA

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MANAGER: PHIL BROWN

01 MARK OXLEY

02 JOHN WHITE

03 BEN COKER

04 ANTHONY WORDSWORTH

05 ADAM THOMPSON

06 ADAM BARRETT

07 LUKE O'NEILL

08 MICHAEL TIMLIN

09 DAVID MOONEY

10 SIMON COX

11 STEPHEN MCLAUGHLIN

12 WILL ATKINSON

14 MARC-ANTOINE FORTUNE

15 JAKUB SOKOLIK

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