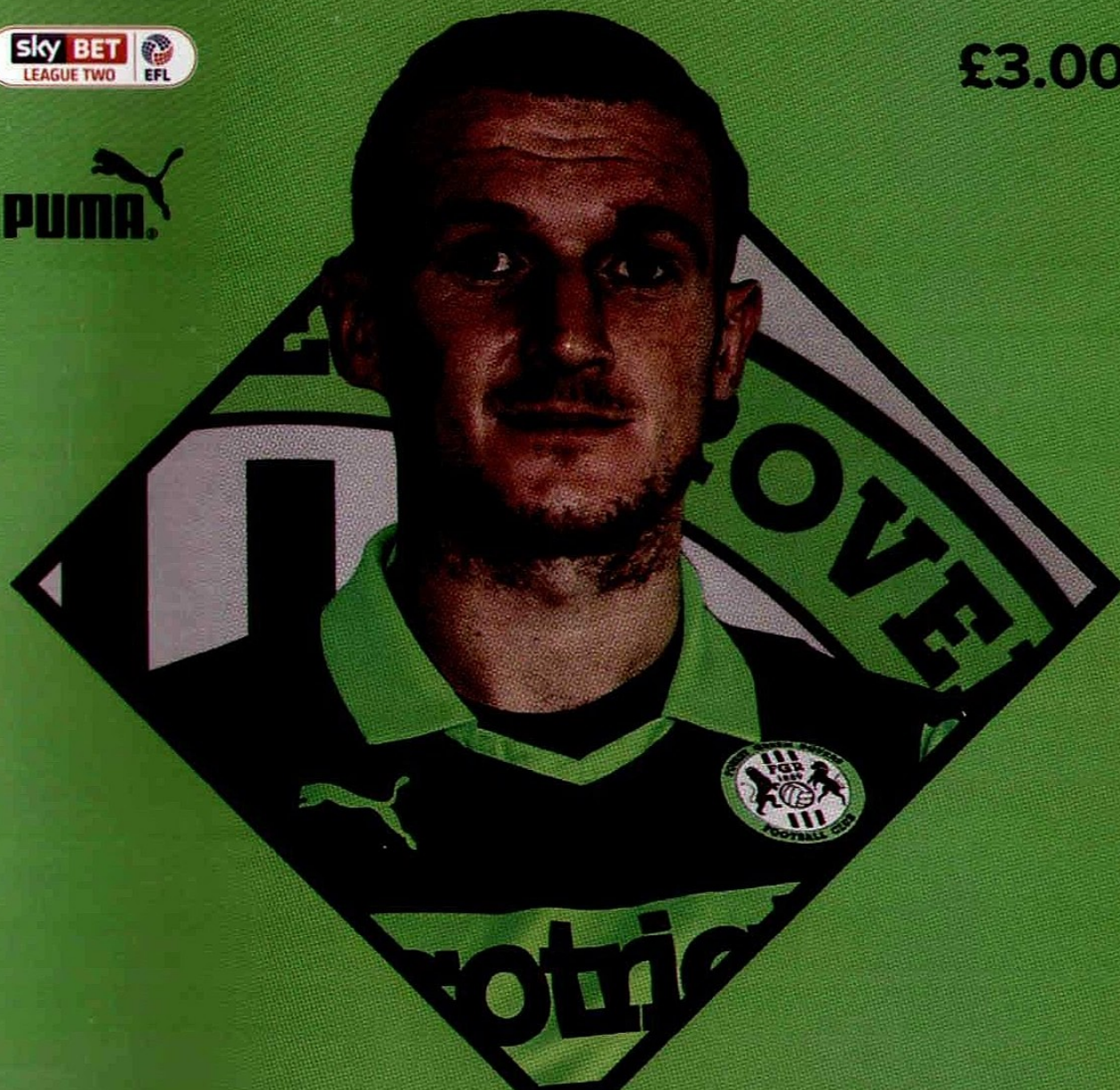




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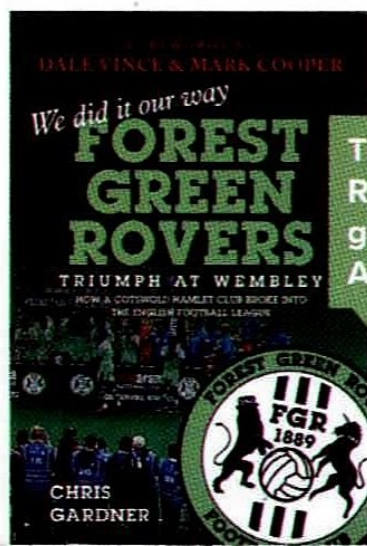
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**FGR MANAGER
MARK COOPER**

COO

Good evening and welcome to another big game here at the New Lawn as we host Swindon Town.

We're lucky to have Sky Sports here, as well as football fans around the world watching tonight on their local channel which adds a bit of extra excitement, but we need to treat this like any other game, ignore the cameras and focus on our performance.

Our last time out here was

against Lincoln in tricky conditions and we were disappointed to lose the game. I was pleased with the commitment shown by the players, we showed real passion and desire and didn't deserve to come away with nothing.

We defended well and limited

their chances but we lacked the quality that we'd expect in the final third. I couldn't fault our commitment though, which was first class and we take great heart from that.

At the weekend we travelled to Port Vale and earned a much needed point, but we could and should have had all three.

Our away support at Port Vale was small in number but made a great noise throughout the match, and I know that me and the players really appreciated it.



COOPER

The first half we didn't perform at our level but we made a few changes at the break and changed the impetus of the game, so we were more on the front foot in the second half.

Drissa came on and got us passing the ball, Toni came on and looked electric and Omar came on and scored, so I've got to be happy with the changes we made and they've given me something to think about for tonight's match.

That result got us out of the

bottom two, which is a start and gives us something to build on.

I had a couple of years in charge at Swindon and came close to getting the club into The Championship, only losing out in the play-off final against Preston. A lot of staff and players have joined me here at FGR, so there will be a lot of familiar faces for Swindon fans at The New Lawn tonight both on and off the pitch.

Our away support at Port Vale was small in number but made

a great noise throughout the match, and I know that me and the players really appreciated it. We're expecting a big crowd tonight, so we need that support to get behind the boys and help us secure the three points we're all craving.

I'd like to welcome David Flitcroft, the players and fans from Swindon for the game this evening, I hope you enjoy the game.

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STEVENS

FGR fans will have spotted a new face on the pitch in the Lincoln game last Tuesday, as young midfielder Jordan Stevens made his professional debut for the club.

Our new number 35 signed a two year deal the day before having impressed in Scott Bartlett's Academy this season, scoring six goals in six games.

On signing his first pro deal Jordan said: "I'm very grateful for the opportunity. I'm not going to get too ahead of myself and stay on track to do my job for the team and push on for the first team.

"I'd like to say a big thank you to Scott Bartlett for making me a better player which has given me this opportunity in the first team."

His talent has been clear to FGR boss Mark Cooper, who sees the move into the first team setup as the next step in his burgeoning career.

Mark Cooper said: "Jordan is a promising young player who spent time with us in pre-season and now needs to train with the senior squad full time to maximise his development."

FGR Academy director Scott Bartlett said: "It's great news for Jordan, he is an exciting player with lots of potential and has been in exceptional form for our youth team. We are proud of him because he's been with us for a long time, a lot of people at our club should take credit for his development. Clearly he has benefited hugely from our move into the EFL."

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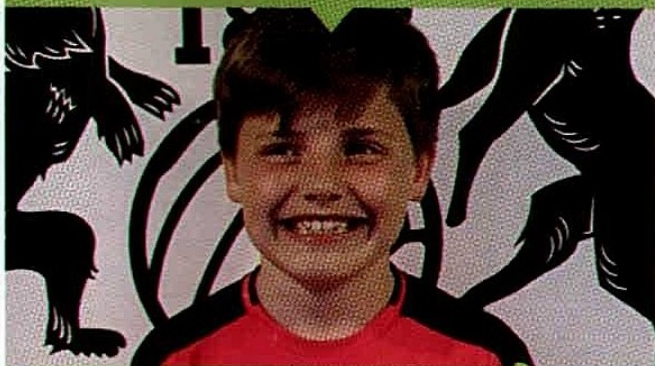
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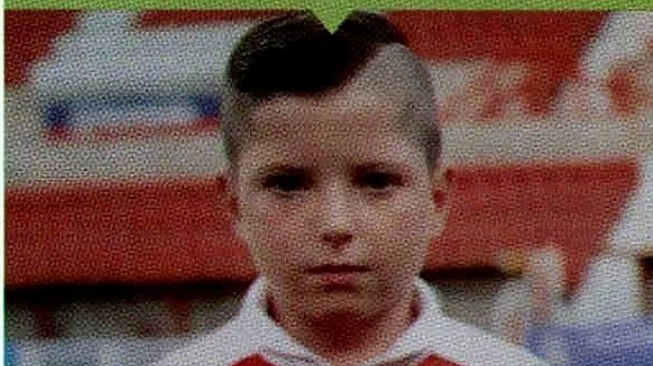
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MASCOT**AGE 10****Will Casey**

Will is 10 years old and attends St. Joseph's RC Primary School in Nympsfield. He supports Forest Green Rovers and Arsenal and his favourite players are Sam Russell, Dan Wishart and Theo Walcott. He currently plays in goal for Hardwicke Reds Under-11s and is looking forward to playing in the Cheltenham League this year. Will is also an avid drummer and Moto X rider. We hope that he and his guests have a memorable evening with us.

MASCOT**AGE 9****Owen Foye**

Leading out our visitors this evening will be Owen Foye, who celebrates his tenth birthday on September 27th. His favourite player is Paul Mullin, whilst his second favourite team is Middlesbrough. He attends Grange Junior School and his main hobby is playing football. He currently plays for Swindon Town U10s. We welcome Owen and his guests to The New Lawn this evening and hope that he has a Happy Birthday next week.

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The team and I have been working hard off the pitch for this fixture and we have been overwhelmed by the interest in it. Hospitality Suites were sold out months ago and our VIP Dining area is bursting to the seams with everyone wanting to make the most of this occasion.

Talking of special occasions, we have a very unique evening on 12th October as three generations of the Cooper family – Terry, Mark and Charlie – come together for a sporting dinner in the Carol Embrey Suite. This will be a brilliant opportunity for fans of the club to spend the evening with the

Get in touch with me or a member of the team to discuss everything we have on offer.

Cooper clan over some of our award winning food with tickets on sale for just £25 each. Kindly organised by the FGR Supporters Club, it'll be an evening not to be missed.

As ever, should you be looking to turn a regular matchday into your own special event, we have a number of options available. Whether it's a private suite for you and your guests or you'd like to see your name on the official match day team sheet with a 12th man package, we have something for everyone.

Get in touch with me or a member of the team to discuss

everything we have on offer.

Focussing back on tonight, I hope you enjoy this evening's game and the match experience we offer here at The New Lawn.

A big thank you to everyone who has joined us for tonight's match including everyone from Swindon, but let's hope it's the Forest Green contingent that goes home the happiest!

Come on you Rovers!

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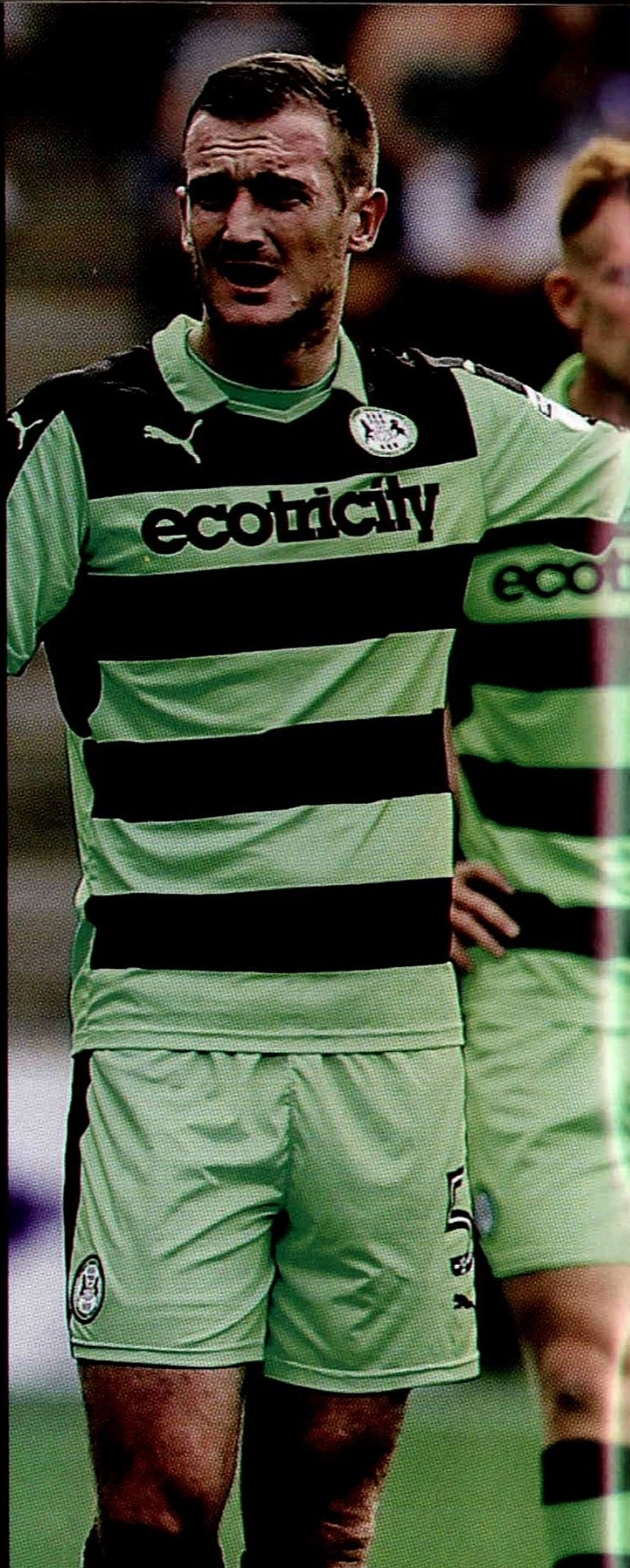


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COLLINS

Collective Responsibility...



INTERVIEW WITH
LEE COLLINS



**“The players
need to
take some
responsibility
and manage
games more
effectively.”**

Lee Collins was the first man through the door at Forest Green following promotion to League 2 in May.

The experienced centre back has quickly established himself as one of the first names on the team sheet and having played in a variety of roles in the first few games, has now found himself at the heart of an experienced back four which is looking to tighten things up defensively.

"We're heading in the right direction and are starting to find the right balance and gel as a unit" says Collins. "We need to learn when to play and when we need to go long, but we're looking more solid and have been unlucky with the last few goals.

"We had to go back to basics for the Lincoln game because of the weather and we did it really well. It was a proper nitty gritty League 2 game and I think we deserved to win it, but at the moment we're conceding sloppy goals through individual errors. The same happened in the Port Vale game where we played really well and should have won but we

made another mistake – and we've got to stamp that out.

"At the moment it feels like we're making one mistake in a game and we're getting punished for it. But that's how League 2 works – as we progress we're playing better defensively and we'll definitely progress up the table."

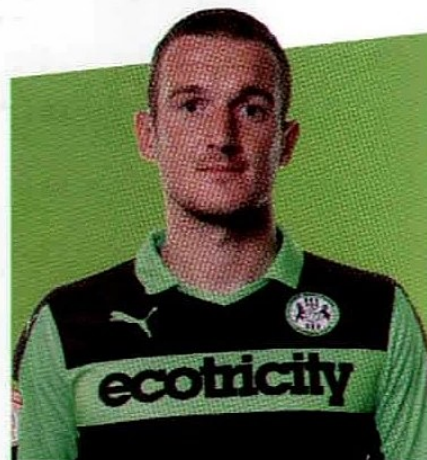
These errors have led to frustration for manager Mark Cooper and have so far blighted the club's debut EFL campaign.

Collins says: "The players need to take some responsibility and manage games more effectively. The manager will work on our game plan all week and is doing everything completely right and then come the Saturday the players won't execute it for some reason.

"I look at the gaffer at half time or full time and wonder how he can handle it. He's done everything he can but it's up to us for the 90 minutes.

"We're letting him down - I think he's a fantastic manager – with the coaching we get and the style of play, any footballer would be happy to be a part of it."

Collins has worked with some well-respected managers in the past including Chris Wilder and



LEE COLLINS

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28

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"At the moment it feels like we're making one mistake in a game and we're getting punished for it."

Aidy Boothroyd, so how does Cooper compare?

"The main thing about him is his man management is second to none. All managers want to be great coaches – and he's a fantastic coach – but the gaffer goes beyond that and will really help these lads to progress as he nurtures them, it's a pleasure to watch.

"A lot of managers have ruined young players by not working with them properly, but he'll sit down and talk them through what they're doing well and help people to recover from and eradicate their mistakes."

Collins suggests that the manager the fans see on a Saturday is very different to the one that trains the team on a weekday.

"Matchdays are totally different to the day-to-day – the gaffer gets involved in the game and as a fan I'd be disappointed if



he wasn't getting animated. But he's got the right temperament on a Monday or Tuesday to be able to pull a player to the side and explain how he could be doing better."

Despite on the pitch frustrations and the challenging start to the season, Collins is feeling happy at the club and has moved his young family west.

"I met my missus eight years ago and her family all live in Newport so we've moved there – near to Doidgey. With our third kid on the way this summer it made perfect sense for me to move to FGR and it's fantastic to have all the family around us."

With his faith in the manager, his family around him and his determination to succeed, the future is looking bright for Lee Collins and it's only a matter of time before the results on the pitch match that positive outlook.

CONCERNS FOR COOPER

"I look at the gaffer at half time or full time and wonder how he can handle it. He's done everything he can but it's up to us for the 90 minutes."



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A 2-1 win over Yeovil a few weeks back meant that we've made a very encouraging start to the EFL youth alliance. The standard is a lot higher both on and off the pitch and it gives us a far more realistic gauge of where our players are.

The game against Yeovil was a good advert for the EFL U18 league, we dominated from start to finish and ran out

"We're still looking for accommodation to house a few Academy players, which will really help during their time with the club"

deserved winners on the day. We passed the ball very well and controlled the game, but if there's any frustration it was that we couldn't quite turn our dominance into a more convincing scoreline which led

to a typically nervous finish.

Mark Cooper has been to almost all of our home games and has been a good source of inspiration to the players and support for Academy staff. His

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the Academy and first team staff.

We're still looking for some accommodation to house a few Academy players which will really help them maximise their potential during their time with the club. The requirements for this are fairly simple and costs are covered, so please email our club secretary on james.mooney@fgrfc.com if you're

interested in giving us a hand.

We'd also like to offer our congratulations to Academy Physio Megan Hodun who got married on Saturday - everyone at FGR would like to wish you and Arvid well for the future.

SCOTT BARTLETT

HEAD OF FGR ACADEMY



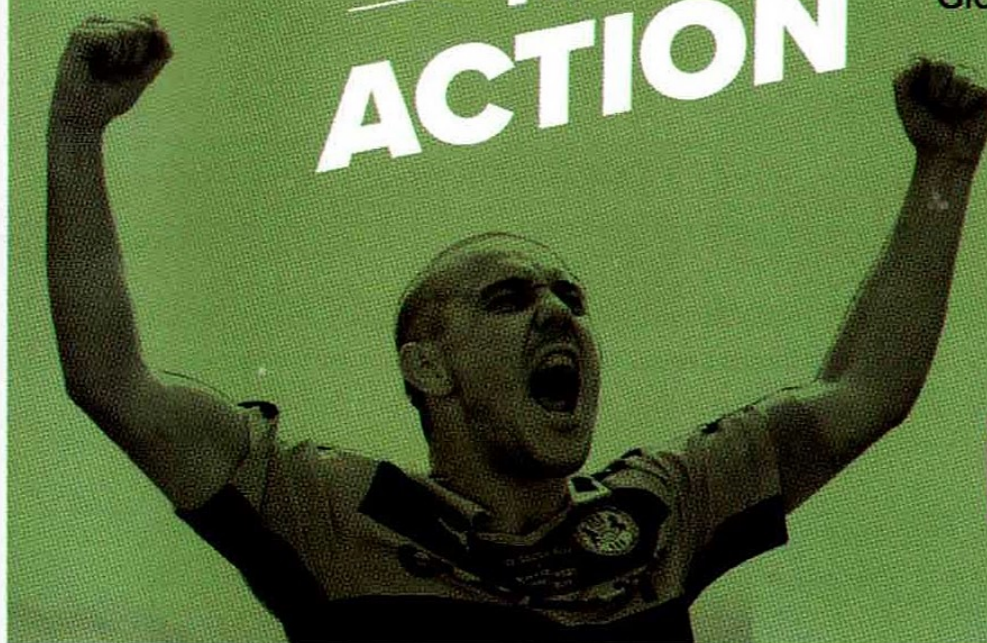
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On Saturday The Robins came flying out of the blocks racing to a 2-0 lead within the opening 13 minutes of their tie with Stevenage. Although Boro clawed a couple of goals back Swindon went on to win the tie 3-2 to banish the demons of a narrow 1-0 away loss to Notts County the week before.

Having found themselves relegated last season, they will be looking to get themselves back into the third tier of English Football at the first time of asking.

David Flitcroft was handed the reins at The County Ground at

the beginning of the season after the departure of Luke Williams – who couldn't stop Swindon from being relegated last season.

With over 400 league starts for clubs in Northern England from Preston to Bury during his playing days, Flitcroft was offered his first management job in January 2013 as he made the step up from an assistant manager role at Barnsley into the club's top job.

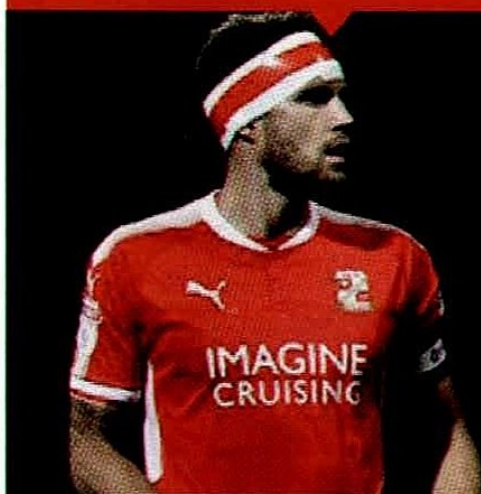
During his first spell as manager he kept the Tykes' Championship status intact on the final day of the season and was offered a new rolling one-year contract ahead of the new campaign.

Results on the pitch took a downturn leading to Flitcroft

losing his job at Oakwell in November 2013 but it took just 9 days to get back on his feet as he was appointed the new manager of Bury. Having made over 120 appearances for the club as a player, he took the team from the face of relegation to a 12th-place finish in the top half of the table.

In his first full season he led The Shakers to promotion from League Two before an uncompromising start to a League One season that saw his side go 11 games without a win which saw him leave the club.

The 43 year old has been given a new opportunity in management by Swindon Town this year and will seek to replicate his previous League Two success with The Robins this time around.

DEFENDER**6****Olly Lancashire**

Having played every minute of league football so far, Lancashire has held the backline together since joining The Robins from Shrewsbury in the summer. The former Crystal Palace youngster was handed the captain's armband ahead of the 17/18 season.

STRIKER**30****Keshi Anderson**

Deadline day signing Anderson joined Swindon on loan from Crystal Palace and got his first goal for the club on Saturday against Stevenage. He featured as part of Frank De Boer's Asia Cup squad so is well thought of by the Eagles hierarchy.

STRIKER**7****Paul Mullin**

A new attacking option for David Flitcroft's side after making the switch from Morecambe. After spells at Everton and Liverpool, he moved to Spain to sign for Racing Santander in the summer of 2011. However, the move fell through due to serious financial problems at the Cantabrian club.

STRIKER**9****Luke Norris**

With five goals in seven starts for Swindon, Norris heads the list of the top marksmen for the club. The number 9 managed just six goals last season, so is well on his way to a much more successful campaign this time around.

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CULTURE PREVAILS

Port Vale 1-1 FGR

For the third away fixture in succession, Rovers were locking horns with a club and stadium that was virgin territory for me. Port Vale FC at Burslem in the Potteries. Although there would be a full turn out by Compo, Foggy, Clegg, Mr & Mrs Morse and other friends, several were travelling independently. Yours truly and Mrs Rambling man were staying 'up north' with t'friends.

So far in the league, 3 away games and 3 emphatic defeats. Analysis was required to correct this poor record. Two things stood out:

1. None of the journeys had featured intermediate cultural destinations other than Motorway Service stations and they don't count

2. I had not worn my lucky cream jumper, as despite our unpredictable summer climate, no fixture had necessitated dressing like a Grimsby trawler-man

Saturday 16th was a cool early Autumn day, but still not cold enough for the jumper to be summoned. Anyhow, something had to be left in reserve for later season. Thus the obvious remedy for the team's malady was culture, innit bruv?

So it was that we set course for Stafford Castle, our transport Mrs R-M's diminutive black Up! Despite the worst excesses of M6, we arrived at this historic free-to-enter destination by elevenses.

The castle is supposed to be the UK's best preserved example of a motte & bailey defensive structure. The trend was started by Willy the Conqueror in the eleventh century. Fresh from thumping Alfred at Hastings, he didn't yet have a



Home Office Visa and wasn't sure how long he'd stay in Britannia.

So, he and his mates needed decent seats of defence to quell the natives. They decided to throw up small hills (motte: Norman French for a 'heap') with timber forts atop. Below, a palisade fence would retain the bailey – an enclosure for hovels, farm animals and so on.

Stafford Castle goes back to around 1100 but was upgraded to more durable masonry through the following centuries and saw service during the English civil war. The stone ruin we scrambled over originated with the Plantagenets mid fifteenth century but has suffered damage and decline until coming into public ownership about 50 years ago. Well worth a stomp about and has a great visitor centre.

On then to the Potteries. In the heyday of porcelain manufacture, all roads led to the cluster of 6 towns namely Burslem, Tunstall,



Hanley, Stoke-upon-Trent, Longton and Fenton. Controversially, in 1910 the Six Towns were unwillingly united to form a city called Stoke-on-Trent. Generations later, many in the other 5 communities are unforgiving.

Port Vale is one few English league clubs not to be named after a geographical location. Its title is a reference to the valley of ports on the Trent & Mersey canal. Vale has moved through 3 grounds at Cobridge & Hanley before settling as Burslem Port Vale at Vale Park in 1950. 105 years in the football league, it has never played in the top tier and now props up the other 91, just below FGR. Only a couple of decades ago, fierce rivals Stoke City occupied the same 'old second division' and the opposite extremes of fortune since cut Vale supporters to the quick.

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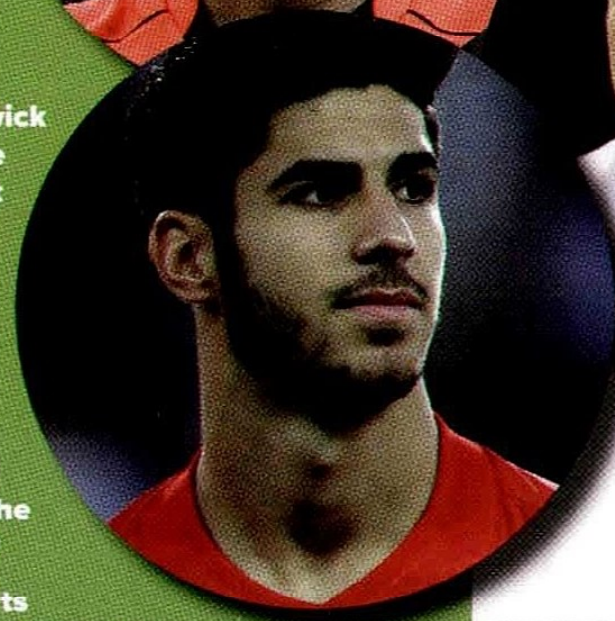
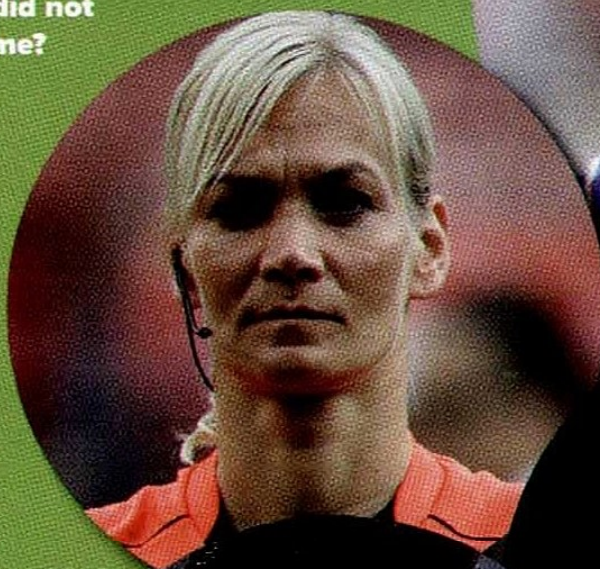


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THE BIG QUIZ

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2. Which British player has won the European Cup/Champions League on the most occasions?
3. Which player scored a goal for Italy in the 1982 World Cup Final but did not start or finish the game?
4. How did Bibiana Steinhaus make the headlines in the Bundesliga this month?
5. What caused Real Madrid's Asensio to miss the Champions League opener against Apoel Nicosia.
6. Which current Premier League club previously called Ardwick FC were formed by the amalgamation of West Gorton St. Mark's and Gorton Athletic?
7. Which club was a founder member of the Premier League in 1992 but were relegated in 1994 and have not returned to the Premier League since?
8. What was Sky Sports director Grant Best the last person to do in 2000?
9. Chris Birchall is the only Port Vale player to play in the World Cup Finals. Which country did he represent in 2006?
10. Name the five Premier League managers, at the start of this season, who have played for Barcelona?



1. Celtic 0-5 v PSG, 2. Phil Neal, 4. 3. Alessandro Alibelli, 4. First female referee Werder Bremen v Hertha Berlin, 5. An infected spot on shaved leg, 6. Manchester City, 7. Oldham Athletic, 8. Score a hat-trick at Old Wembley, 9. Trinidad and Tobago, 10. Guardiola, Koeman, Pellegrini, Hughes, De Boer

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Tonight, we are certainly the underdogs as we come to terms with the reality of playing at a higher level.

Bob Hunt will be compere for the evening. To book contact FGRFC reception on 01453-834 860 or go online through the FGRFC website.

Our next game is away at the Abbey Stadium this Tuesday as we take on Cambridge United.

As ever, supporters can visit the dedicated away travel page on the website for all the latest information on away trips. Or get your seat-ticket for Tuesday as follows:

- Visit the Online Shop via shop.fgrfc.com
- Visit Reception tonight or call FGR on 01453-834860 on Monday between 9am and 1pm
- Visit The New Lawn before 1pm on Monday.

Pick up points for Tuesday are: The New Lawn – 2.00pm; Sainsburys, Dudbridge – 2.15pm; Brunel Way, Stonehouse – 2.30pm.

Finally, pictured within this team group is goalkeeper, Jack Brock, who served both FGR and Swindon Town during his career and was, quite possibly, the first-ever player to do so.

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FGR 0 v 1 Lincoln

Hi, my name is Scarlett, I live in Chalford and go to Chalford Hill School. This is my second season as a Forest Green Rovers school ambassador, I am so glad to be given this chance to represent my club. I have watched many home games and have travelled to a couple away games. My favourite player is number 9, Christian Doidge.

This is my match report for FGR v Lincoln...

Within the first minute of the game Doidge receives a nasty knock to the head from Sean Raggett causing the game to stop for nearly 7 minutes. Luckily Doidge is ok, bandaged up, and the game starts again. Raggett has to leave the field lots of times during

the half as his head carries on bleeding.

Noble takes a free kick which goes wide of the goal, 14th minute Bradley Collins kicks the ball from his hands and this bounces in the Lincoln area and just goes over the bar. Wow, almost a freak goal.

FGR receive a indirect free kick which is taken by Noble but is blocked by the Lincoln wall. The first yellow card of the game is given to Lee Collins for a tackle on the edge of the area. Bradley Collins makes a great save as a low shot is taken from a Lincoln player. 7 minutes is added and at the end of half time, the score remains 0-0.

Mullings receives the ball after a cross from Laird looking like we could score it's sadly saved by the

Lincoln goalkeeper.

50 minutes into the game we take another free kick after Lincoln player is time wasting and he receives a yellow card, Noble takes the free kick but like before it's defended well, 64th minute Lincoln's Harry Anderson scores. Oh Dear!

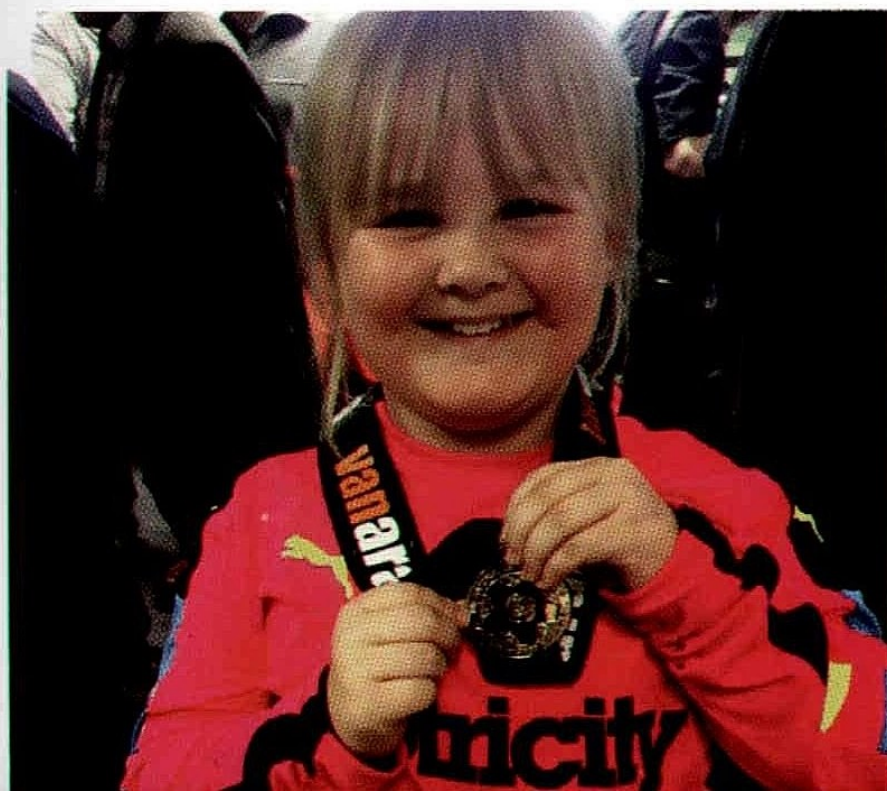
We make our first sub, taking off Luke James and replace him with Omar Bugiel, he manages to find space out on the right but his cross misses everyone. Noble runs through the middle, passes to Doidge and he gives it his all, but misses the net. The strong winds make shooting hard and Doidge tries to volley the ball but it sails wide.

Nobles passes cleverly to Gomes feet and he tries smashing it towards the goal but is again blocked by players. 5 minutes extra time is added and this sees Mullings come off and replaced by academy midfielder Jordan Stevens.

Action on pre-eclampsia name Liam Noble man of the match, attendance on the cold wet night was 1887 with Lincoln bringing 321.

SCARLETT HOLLAND

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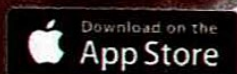


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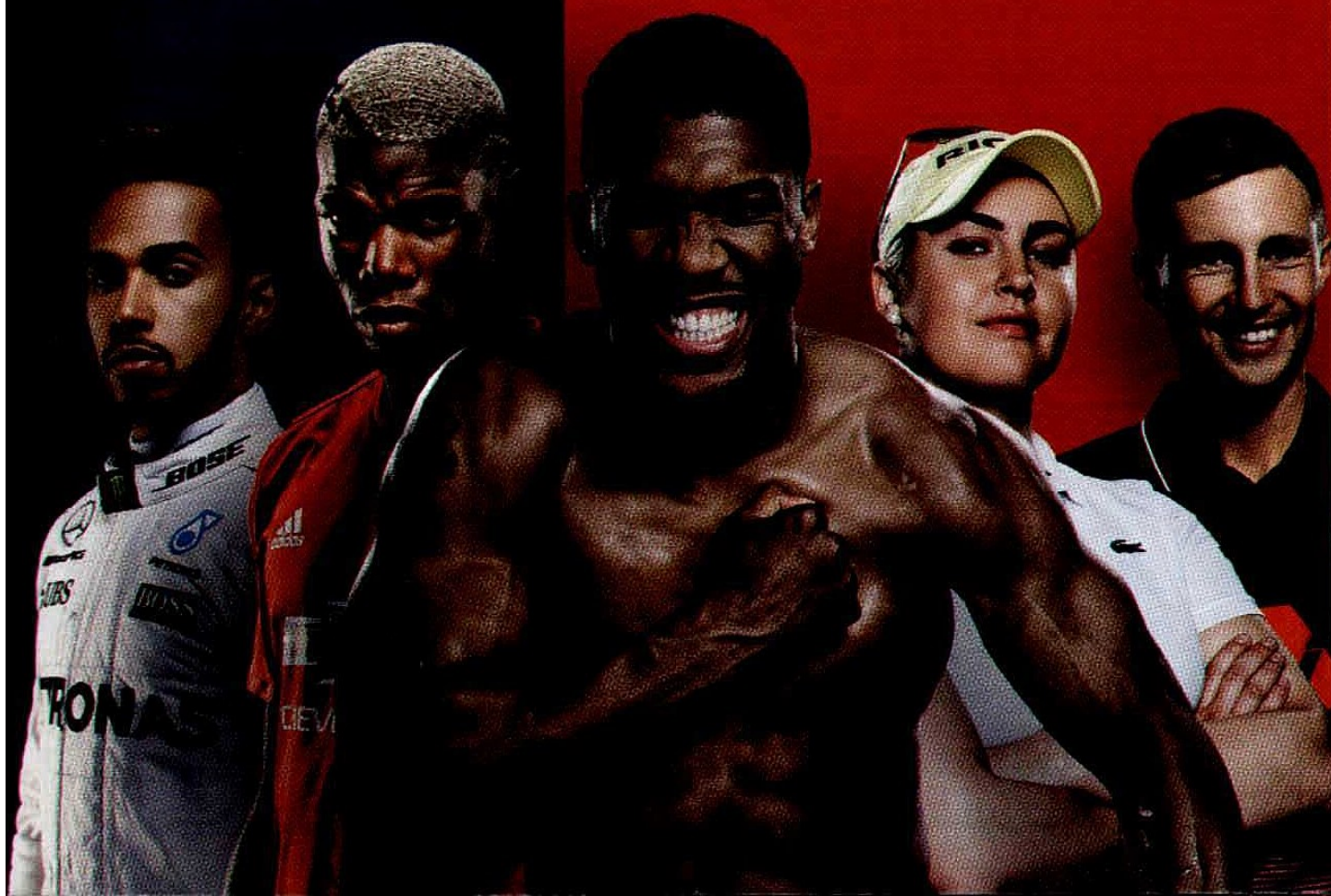
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ONE

Cut your tortillas into triangles (like a pizza).

TWO

Heat the vegetable oil in a saucepan until hot, but be careful not to let it get smoking hot.

THREE

Using kitchen tongs place half of your tortilla triangles into the oil.

FOUR

After 20 seconds turn the triangles over, the underside should be golden brown in colour.

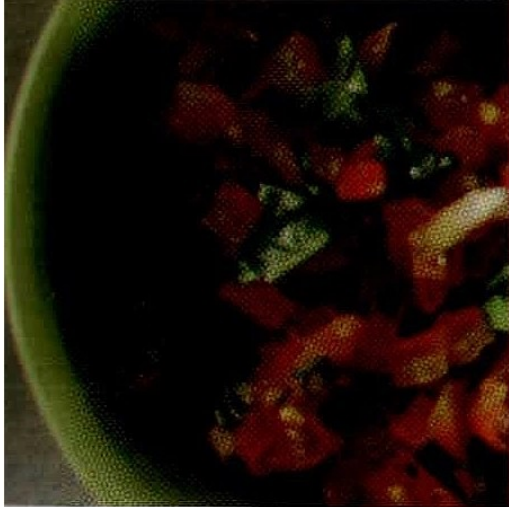
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After another 20 seconds remove from pan and place onto tray lined with kitchen paper.

SIX

Salt immediately and enjoy with your salsa and guacamole!





Salsa

If you don't want any spice, try replacing the chilli oil with olive oil.

Ingredients

Six round tomatoes, half a red onion, two garlic cloves, 1 tbsp chilli oil and six stems of fresh coriander.

ONE

Dice your tomatoes and onion and place in a bowl, add the chilli oil too.

TWO

Crush the garlic and add to the mixture.

THREE

Add the coriander and mix the ingredients together. Season with a pinch of salt.

Guacamole

Try adding some lemon juice to give your guacamole a tasty kick!

Ingredients

Half a red onion, two ripe avocados, two garlic cloves, six cherry tomatoes and 1 tbsp chilli oil.

ONE

Quarter your tomatoes and dice the onion and place them in a bowl.

TWO

Crush the garlic and mash the avocado, adding them both to the mixture.

THREE

Add the chilli oil and mix the ingredients together. Season with a pinch of salt.

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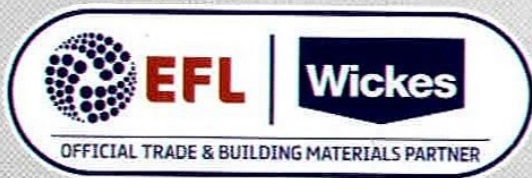
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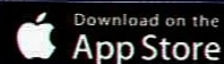


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SCOUT REPORT

Swindon **3**

NORRIS 9', 62' pen

ANDERSON 13'

22' NEWTON

89' MARTIN

2 STEVENAGE

MATCH REPORT 12.08.17

A double from Luke Norris led Swindon Town to the full 3 points at the County Ground as they beat Stevenage.

The former Hitchin Town youngster scored either side of Keshi Anderson's 13th minute strike to give David Flitcroft's side a first league win at home this season.

It took just 9 minutes for Swindon to take the lead when Norris poked home Chris Hussey's corner.

The forward then set up the second when he squared the ball to Anderson inside the box, who couldn't miss to notch his first goal for the club.

The Crystal Palace youngster nearly made it 3-0 early in the second half, but his curling effort could only find the woodwork.

In the second period Danny Newton got Stevenage back into the game with a 51st minute finish from close range.

However, Swindon extended their lead to two goals again as they were awarded a penalty which Norris converted from the spot.

It was a nervous final few minutes for the home side as Joe Martin curled a free-kick into the top-right corner for Stevenage late on, but Swindon held on for all three points.

RYAN HARMER

TOP SCORERS

LUKE
NORRIS 5

PAUL
MULLIN 3

KESHI
ANDERSON 1

SEASON SO FAR

GOALS F11 A12
GOAL DIFF -1

W4 D1 L3
POINTS 13

PLAYED 8
POSITION 8

MATCH STATS

Possession

60% 40%

Shots

13 10

On target

8 2

Corners

6 2

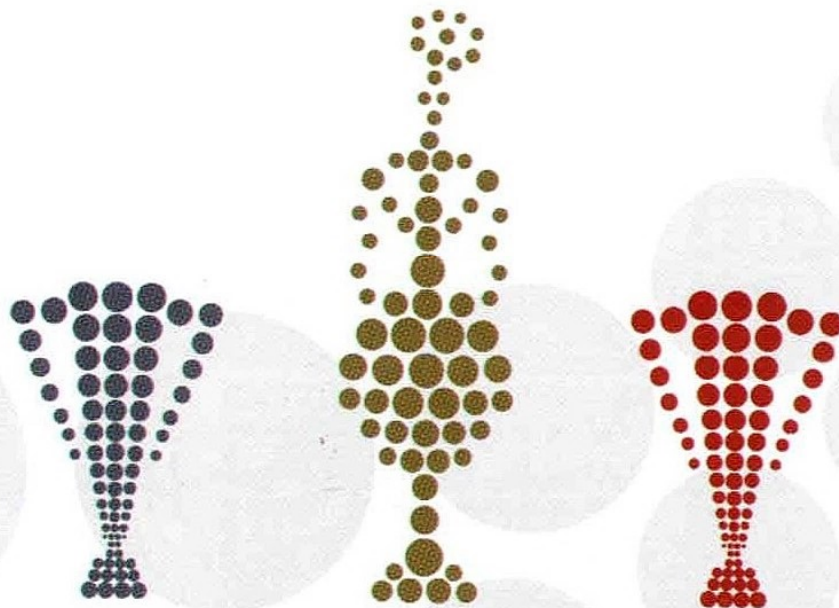
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Starting XI

B. Collins
Bennett
Roberts
L. Collins
Laird
Randall
Cooper
Noble
James
Doidge
Mullings

Bench

Traoré
Brown
Bugiel
Iacovitti
Russell
Gomes
Stevens

MATCH REPORT 16.09.17

Substitute Omar Bugiel's second half equaliser earned FGR their first point on the road as they cancelled out Dan Turner's first half strike.

Port Vale took the lead after 20 minutes as FGR gifted them a chance and Dan Turner made no mistake as he slotted past Brad Collins from the edge of the box.

Collins was again called into action just a few moments later as he palmed Dan Turner's effort from wide, over the bar.

The game's first substitution took place after 25 minutes as the injured referee was replaced by his linesman, and the fourth official took up his role of running the line.

Port Vale's David Worall let fly from 30 yards in the closing minutes of the first half but his effort was nowhere near Brad Collins' goal before Anthony De Freitas also tried his luck but his powerful strike flashed wide.

Mark Cooper made two subs at half time, with Traore and Gomes coming on for James and Mullings, and those changes had

a big impact on FGR who improved after the break.

Will Randall took off down the left early into the second half, but nobody could connect with his powerful cross.

66 minutes in, Omar Bugiel entered the fray and only two minutes later, he found the net with his first touch. Liam Noble delivered a central free kick to the back post and Christian Doidge headed the ball back across goal for the Lebanese international to power his header into the back of the net.

As the game drew towards its final 10 minutes, Liam Noble had two free kicks on the edge of the box in quick succession. The first flew agonisingly past the top corner and the second was cleared by Roos in the Vale goal.

Toni Gomes worked the Vale keeper with 2 minutes to go but his volley from the edge of the area lacked any real power.

NOAH DOUGHERTY

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05.08.17	Barnet H	3,171	2-2	Doidge (2)	Doidge	13
08.08.17	MK Dons H EFL Cup 1		0-1 (AET)	-	Noble	No.1
12.08.17	Mansfield A		0-2	-	Collins	21
19.08.17	Yeovil H	2615	4-3	Cooper, Brown, Bugiel	Bennett	15
26.08.17	Colchester A	3047	1-5	Noble	Noble	19
29.08.17	Newport County H CT	1090	2-0	Wishart, James	Wishart	-
02.09.17	Wycombe A	3,759	1-3	Doidge	Traore	22
09.09.17	Exeter H	2,909	1-3	Mullings	Traore	22
12.09.17	Lincoln City H	1,887	0-1	-	Noble	23
16.09.17	Port Vale A	3,910	1-1	Bugiel	Traore	22

22.09.17 Swindon H

26.09.17 Cambridge Utd A

30.09.17 Accrington Stanley H

03.10.17 Cheltenham Town A CT

07.10.17 Notts County A

14.10.17 Newport County H

17.10.17 Coventry A

21.10.17 Stevenage A

28.10.17 Morecambe H

31.10.17 Swansea City (CT)

11.11.17 Crawley Town A

18.11.17 Crewe H

21.11.17 Chesterfield A

25.11.17 Cheltenham H

09.12.17 Grimsby A

16.12.17 Luton H

23.12.17 Carlisle H

26.12.17 Exeter A

30.12.17 Lincoln City A

01.01.17 Wycombe H

06.01.18 Port Vale H

13.01.18 Swindon A

20.01.18 Cambridge Utd H

27.01.18 Carlisle A

03.02.18 Coventry H

10.02.18 Newport County A

13.02.18 Stevenage H

17.02.18 Morecambe A

24.02.18 Crawley Town H

03.03.18 Crewe A

10.03.18 Notts County H

17.03.18 Accrington Stanley A

24.03.18 Mansfield H

30.03.18 Yeovil A

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2	Notts County	8	6	1	1	13	7	6	19
3	Accrington Stanley	8	5	1	2	17	11	6	16
4	Luton Town	8	4	2	2	17	9	8	14
5	Mansfield	8	3	4	1	13	8	5	13
6	Coventry	8	4	1	3	9	5	4	13
7	Cambridge United	8	4	1	3	7	7	0	13
8	Swindon Town	8	4	1	3	11	12	-1	13
9	Newport County	8	3	3	2	11	8	3	12
10	Lincoln City	8	3	3	2	10	7	3	12
11	Stevenage	8	3	3	2	13	11	2	12
12	Wycombe	8	3	3	2	14	13	1	12
13	Grimsby Town	8	4	0	4	12	15	-3	12
14	Barnet	8	3	2	3	12	9	3	11
15	Crewe	8	3	2	3	10	9	1	11
16	Morecambe	8	2	3	3	8	10	-2	9
17	Colchester	8	2	2	4	12	14	-2	8
18	Carlisle	8	2	2	4	9	14	-5	8
19	Yeovil Town	8	2	2	4	13	20	-7	8
20	Crawley Town	8	2	1	5	8	10	-2	7
21	Cheltenham	8	2	1	5	8	12	-4	7
22	Forest Green	8	1	2	5	10	20	-10	5
23	Chesterfield	8	1	2	5	7	17	-10	5
24	Port Vale	8	1	1	6	6	12	-6	4

Forest Green Rovers v Swindon Town

Goals

Goals

Manager - Mark Cooper

Kick Off 7:45pm

Manager - David Flitcroft

- ☐ 1 Bradley Collins
- ☐ 2 Dale Bennett
- ☐ 3 Scott Laird
- ☐ 4 Drissa Traore
- ☐ 5 Lee Collins
- ☐ 6 Manny Monthe
- ☐ 7 Keanu Marsh-Brown
- ☐ 8 Liam Noble
- ☐ 9 Christian Doidge
- ☐ 10 Reece Brown
- ☐ 11 Omar Bugiel
- ☐ 12 Jordan Simpson
- ☐ 14 Shamir Mullings
- ☐ 15 Charlie Cooper
- ☐ 16 Jack Fitzwater
- ☐ 17 Dan Wishart
- ☐ 18 Callum Evans
- ☐ 19 Will Randall
- ☐ 20 Alex Iacovitti
- ☐ 21 Mark Roberts
- ☐ 22 Jordan Morris
- ☐ 23 Sam Russell
- ☐ 24 Harry Pickering
- ☐ 25 Toni Gomes
- ☐ 27 Tom Anderson
- ☐ 28 Jon Moran
- ☐ 39 Olly Mehew
- ☐ 33 Luke James



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- Lawrence Vigouroux 1 ☐
- Ben Purkiss 2 ☐
- Chris Hussey 3 ☐
- Chris Robertson 5 ☐
- Olly Lancashire 6 ☐
- Paul Mullin 7 ☐
- James Dunne 8 ☐
- Luke Norris 9 ☐
- John Goddard 10 ☐
- James Brophy 11 ☐
- Will Henry 12 ☐
- Ellis Iandolo 14 ☐
- Tom Smith 15 ☐
- Amine Linganzi 16 ☐
- Harry Smith 17 ☐
- Jake Evans 18 ☐
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- Kellan Gordon 20 ☐
- Reice Charles-Cook 21 ☐
- Kaiyne Woolery 22 ☐
- Kyle Knoyle 24 ☐
- Dion Conroy 25 ☐
- Jordan Young 26 ☐
- Keshi Anderson 30 ☐
- Matthew Taylor 31 ☐
- Scott Twine 38 ☐

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