



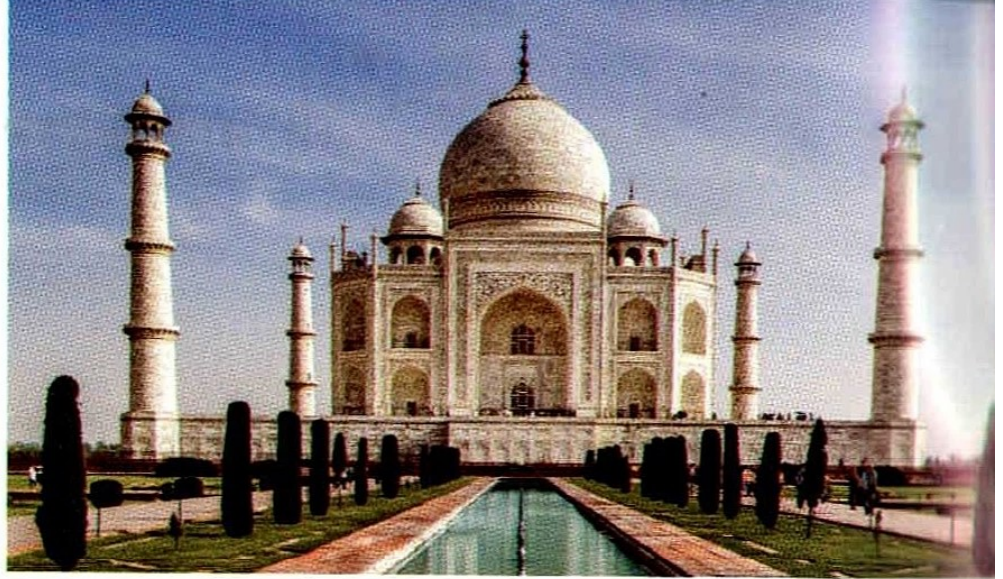
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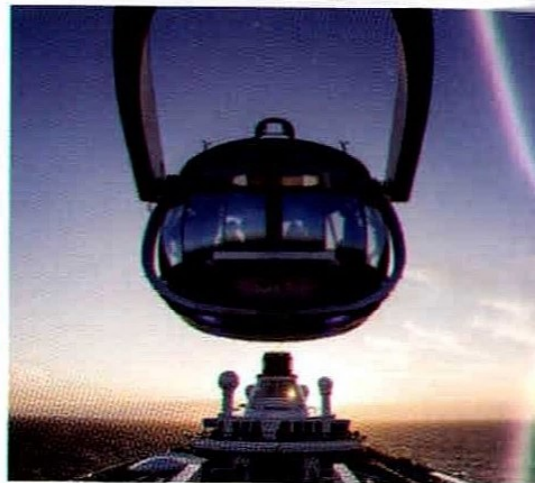
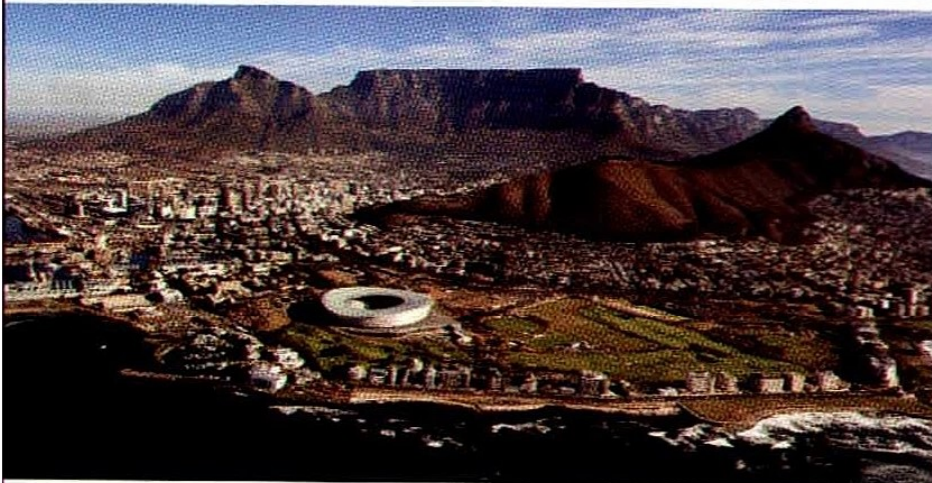
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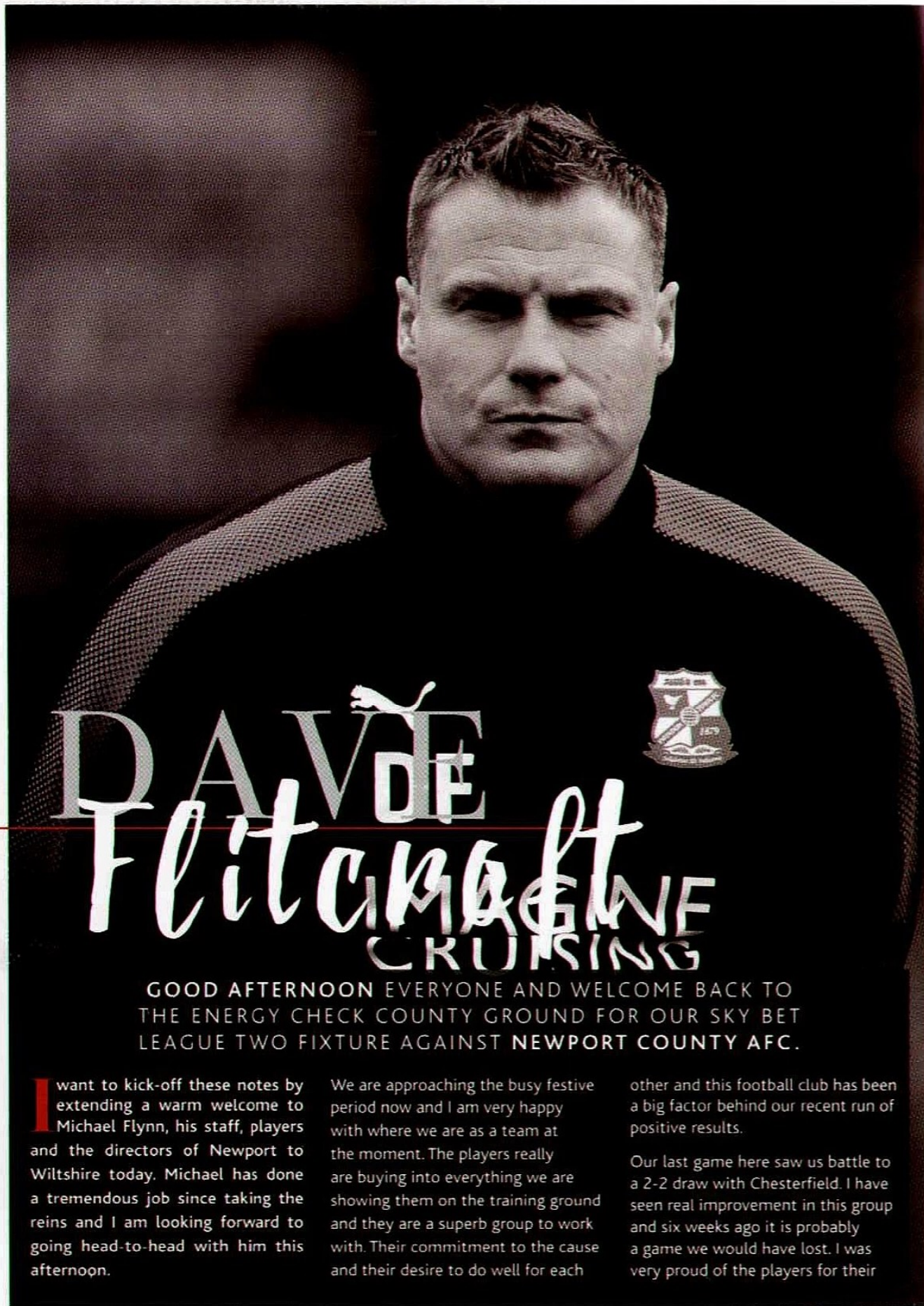
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# DAVE Flitcroft ENGINE CRUISING

GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE AND WELCOME BACK TO THE ENERGY CHECK COUNTY GROUND FOR OUR SKY BET LEAGUE TWO FIXTURE AGAINST NEWPORT COUNTY AFC.

I want to kick-off these notes by extending a warm welcome to Michael Flynn, his staff, players and the directors of Newport to Wiltshire today. Michael has done a tremendous job since taking the reins and I am looking forward to going head-to-head with him this afternoon.

We are approaching the busy festive period now and I am very happy with where we are as a team at the moment. The players really are buying into everything we are showing them on the training ground and they are a superb group to work with. Their commitment to the cause and their desire to do well for each

other and this football club has been a big factor behind our recent run of positive results.

Our last game here saw us battle to a 2-2 draw with Chesterfield. I have seen real improvement in this group and six weeks ago it is probably a game we would have lost. I was very proud of the players for their

attitude, application and the fact that they kept on asking questions until the very end.

We had to deal with numerous setbacks on the day but the players gave everything to the cause and Nozza showed his character and bravery to ignore everything going on around him and score a penalty to secure a point. It was a great point and I was proud of my team.

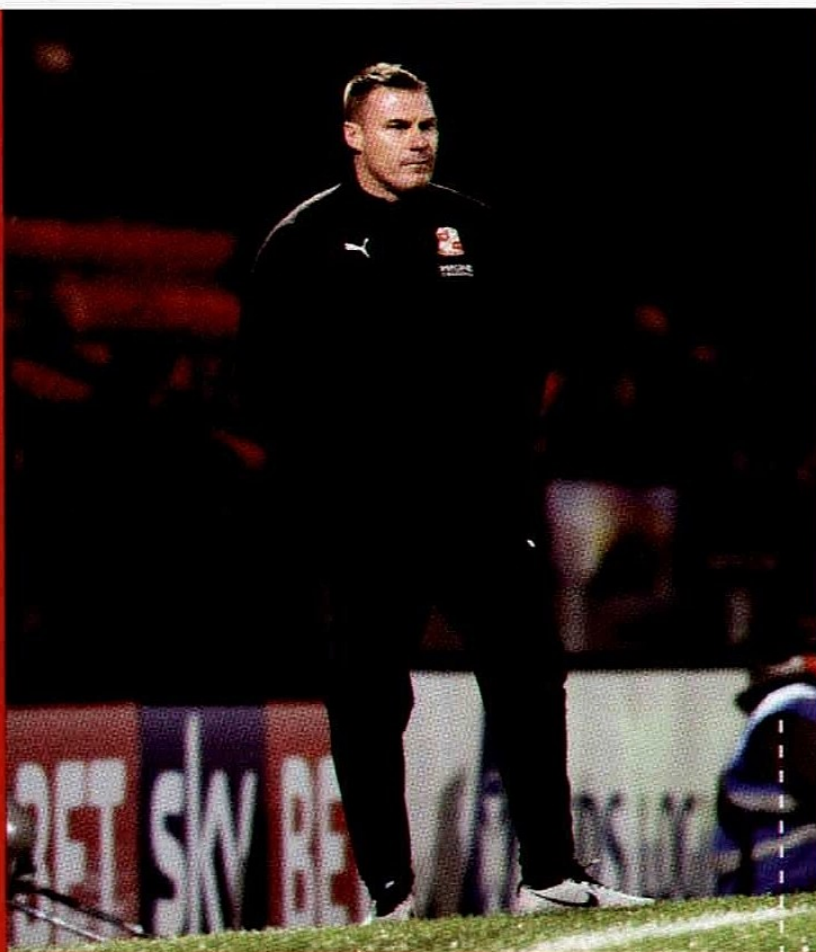
That character was shown in abundance once more at Yeovil last weekend where we recovered after going a goal down early on to produce one of the most one-sided performances I've ever been involved in. I saw a side galvanised by spirit, galvanised by protecting something and we really did fight for our lives.

We passed them off the park, we moved the ball well, we created so many chances and it was a real resilient display by everyone. I keep saying it but to win games of football you need a whole squad and both Kellan Gordon and Kaiyne Woolery came off the bench to play their part in another great win on the road.

I'm also really proud of the players and the relationship that they are currently growing with the away support. The travelling fans at Yeovil really appreciated that performance and the passion shown and that probably gave me the best feeling I've had since I've been at the football club.

You always have to deal with setbacks in football and in life and this group will learn a lot from our defeat at Grimsby in midweek. We didn't start well at all and that gave them the opportunity to get their noses in-front, but a superb goal from Keshi Anderson and a stroke of luck with the own goal has turned the game on its head.

We were guilty of switching off in the second-half though and lapses in concentration for both goals ultimately



cost us on the night. We certainly didn't deserve to lose but we know that we have to be better in certain areas and we were all gutted for the travelling fans who clocked up the miles to come and support us.

I am a firm believer that you learn more in defeat and we have been working hard since Tuesday to right our wrongs ready for today's game. We are at home so it is another opportunity to put on a show for you all and hopefully get back to winning ways.

Let's keep driving forward together as one.

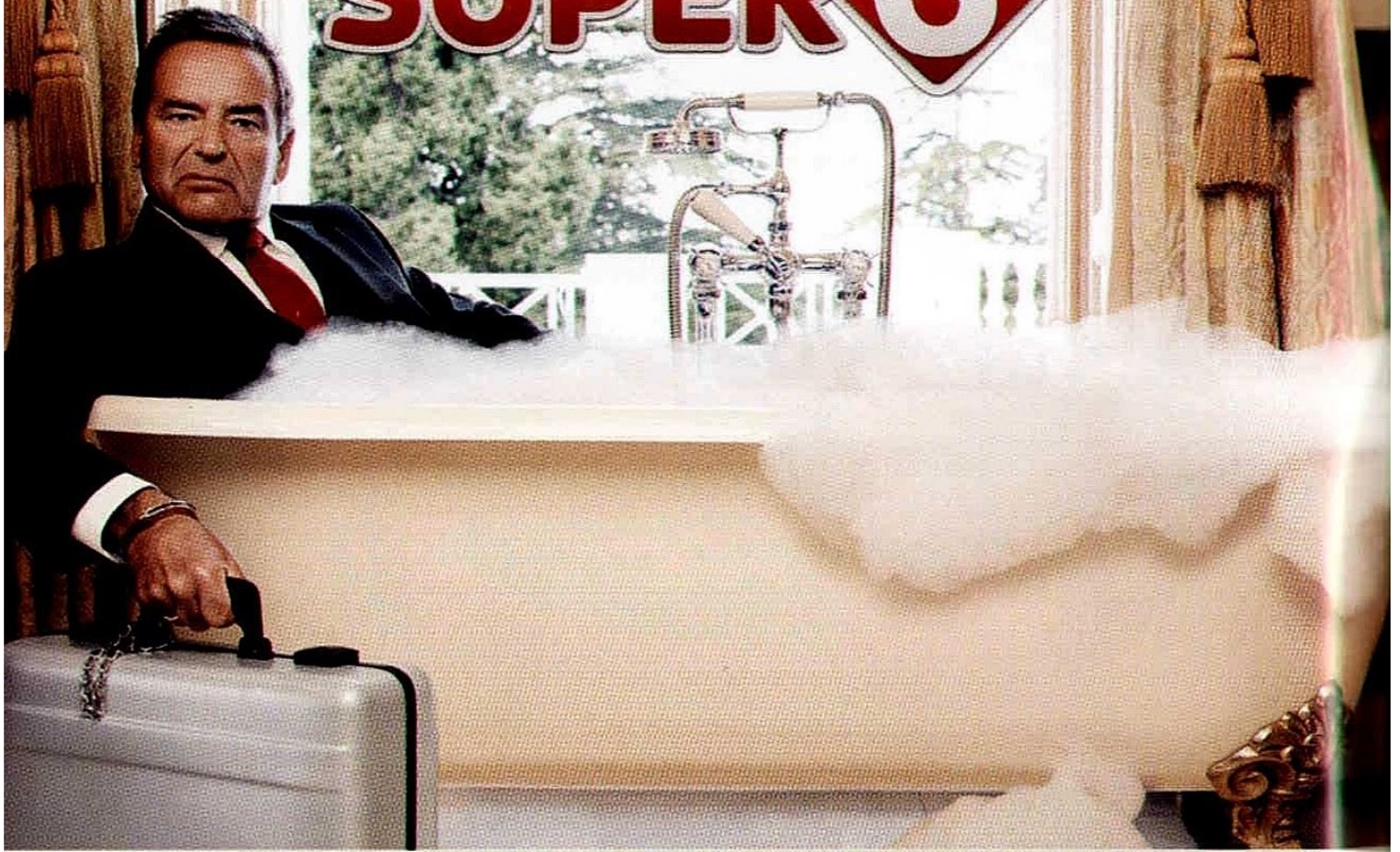
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# FROM THE TOP

Good Afternoon and welcome back to The Energy Check County Ground for today's visit of Newport County AFC. I would like to extend a warm welcome to the management, players, staff, directors and supporters of our visitors.



*"We now need your support more than ever here at The Energy Check County Ground to help the team embark on another lengthy unbeaten run and start really stringing a consistent run of results together at home. We want to gain some momentum over the Christmas period with the table starting to take shape over the next month or so."*

Tuesday saw the end of a very successful seven-game unbeaten run, which saw us really get a foothold on a Play-Off place in the Sky Bet League Two table. This run included a 2-2 draw at home to Chesterfield, where we were unlucky to only claim a point following a clear penalty and sending-off decision going against us in the opening five minutes of the game.

This was followed by an impressive away victory at Yeovil last weekend where, despite going a goal behind early on, the team produced an excellent fightback with late goals from Kellan Gordon and Keshi Anderson securing an important three points. It was brilliant to see over a thousand travelling fans back the boys

and I'm sure this was a factor in pushing the team over the line.

As mentioned already, it was disappointing that this run came to an end away at Grimsby given that our hosts hadn't scored at home in four league games. So, it had to be our luck that we found ourselves behind early on and this seemed to galvanise the home crowd. The boys did well to get back into the game once more and we found ourselves 2-1 up at the break. However, another un-given penalty, which if given would have seen the game off and continued the unbeaten run. This was not to be the case and Grimsby mounted an excellent fightback of their own to secure the three points.

We now need your support more than ever here at The Energy Check County Ground to help the team embark on another lengthy unbeaten run and start really stringing a consistent run of results together at home. We want to gain some momentum over the Christmas period with the table starting to take shape over the next month or so.

It was excellent to see the U18's produce another victory in The FA Youth Cup against Northampton last week, which will now see Alan McLoughlin and his boys take on Nottingham Forest here in the Third Round. It will be great to see as many of you as possible to come out and support the future of Swindon Town Football Club in this tie. Please keep an eye out for confirmed fixture and ticket details in the coming days.

Enjoy the game today.

**Steve Anderson,**  
Chief Executive.




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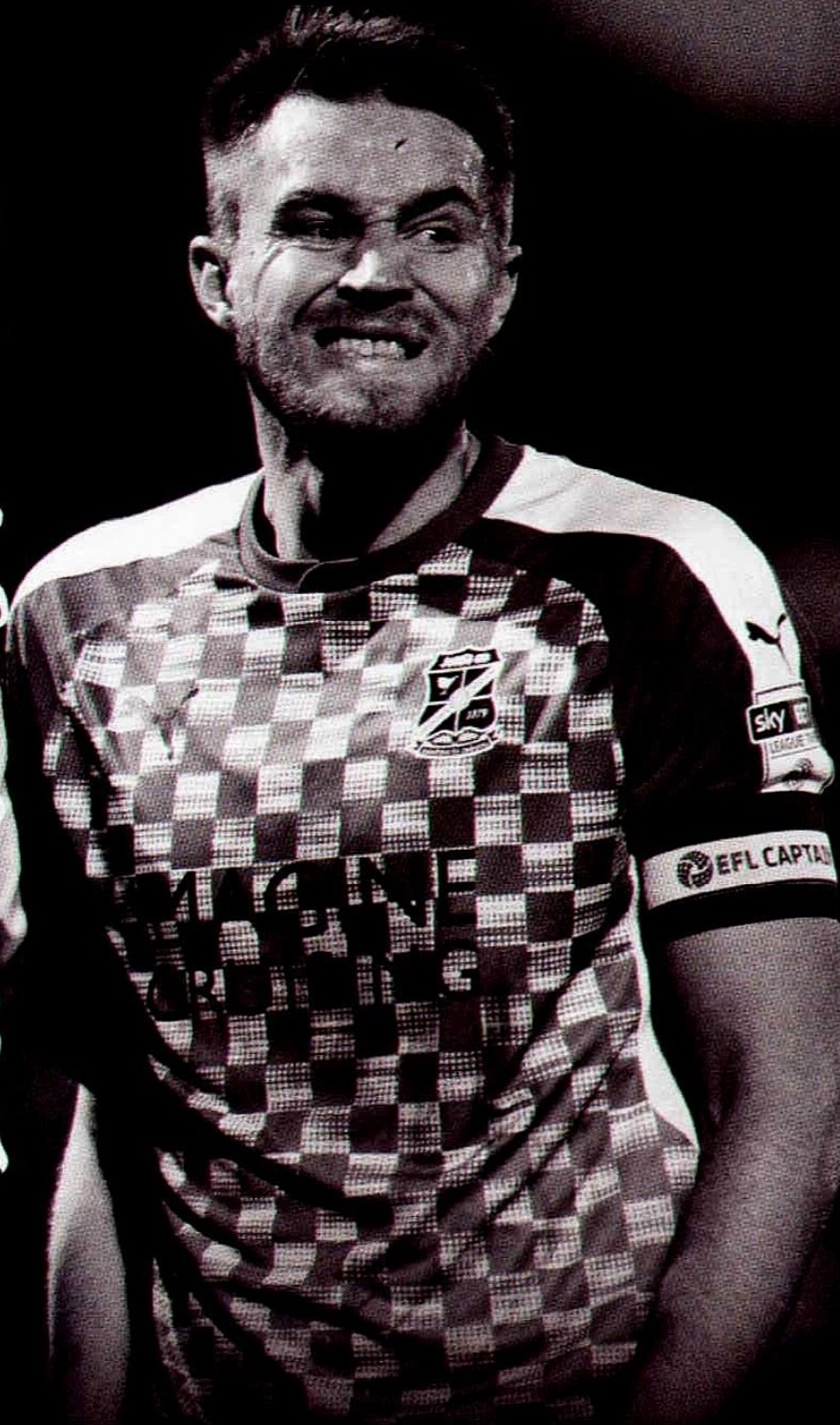
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# OLLY Lantawhine



GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME BACK TO THE ENERGY CHECK COUNTY GROUND FOR OUR SKY BET LEAGUE TWO CLASH AGAINST NEWPORT COUNTY AFC.

**W**e have shown an abundance of character in recent weeks, none more so than in the last couple of weeks in the games against Chesterfield and Yeovil Town. We scored two late goals, one to get a point and one to secure all three and I thought against Yeovil that, take away the first five minutes, we dominated the game completely.

We kept them in their own half in the second-half, kept plugging away and thankfully we got the win and nothing beats a last-minute winner, especially in front of our fans who had packed out the away end. They drove us on to get that victory. We dominated the game and it would have been nice to kill it off early but, if we're all honest, to get a winner at the death is a very special moment.

The last month has been very positive and six wins out of seven is a fantastic feat and the lads have been great. The whole squad has been used and everyone has played their part in the run we've been on. It just goes to show the quality of the squad and we are going to need that now having picked up a few injuries.

After the run we've been on it was disappointing to be on the losing side away at Grimsby on Tuesday night. When you go to Grimsby away on a Tuesday night in November you know it is going to be windy, cold and it wasn't really a game for the purists but, being 2-1 up with twenty-minutes to go, it was a case of sitting tight and grabbing an ugly three points. However, a couple of lapses in concentration cost us and we've come away with nothing.



We'll dust ourselves down quickly and we'll be prepared right for today's game. There are 46 games and every team is going to lose games, but the sides that bounce back quickest and more consistently are going to be the ones at the top of the table. We've shown over the last month or so that we can go seven games unbeaten so we'll be looking to bounce straight back.

Enjoy the game today and here's to three points.

**OLLY LANCASHIRE, Captain**

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## NEWPORT COUNTY



The Exiles are looking for a more straightforward season in the Sky Bet League Two after a rollercoaster 2016/17 campaign.

It looked almost certain that County would suffer relegation to the National League after being cut adrift at the bottom of the table with just twelve games remaining. However, they embarked on a remarkable run of form under Caretaker Manager Michael Flynn and they went on to secure their EFL status on a dramatic final day of the season.

Flynn was handed the job on a permanent basis following those exploits and he's enjoyed a steady start to the 2017/18 campaign, guiding Newport to a mid-table position with the Christmas period fast approaching. County have enjoyed

some great results so far this term and they will be hoping to keep improving in the coming weeks with a Play-Off place not that far away.

Newport's efforts this season have been boosted by the form of former Town loanee Frank Nouble, who has hit six goals in the league so far. Blessed with pace and power, the much-travelled hitman knows where the goal is and he will continue to be crucial to County's hopes of having a good season.

These two sides last met in September 2015 when Town prevailed 7-6 on penalties in a JPT First Round Tie, while they haven't done battle in the league since 1987, when The Reds ran out comfortable 3-0 victors at home.

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## THE MANAGER

### MICHAEL FLYNN

Newport born and bred, Michael Flynn has a long relationship with the Club.

He began his Newport career as a teenager in the academy before breaking through to the first team and eventually earning a move to pro-football. In 2012, Flynn returned to help fire the Club into the Football League with victory over Wrexham in the Play-Off Final at Wembley.

After initially retiring from playing, he progressed through the roles of first team coach, academy manager, then Football and Business Development Director, before returning as a first team coach under then manager Graham Westley.

He re-signed as a player in January 2017 making his fourth debut for the Club in a 3-1 home win vs Hartlepool.

In March 2017, Michael Flynn was appointed the Club's Caretaker Manager in the face of almost certain relegation from the Football League. Cast 11 points adrift with 12 games to go, the rookie manager was tasked with nothing more than restoring fight and pride into the Club. 12 games later, he and the team had achieved what football pundits had deemed impossible and fought their way out of the relegation zone and retained their League Status in dramatic style.

On 9th May 2017, Michael Flynn was named as the Club's permanent Manager. Not quite ready to hang up his playing boots, Flynn is ready to resume his playing role if the Club needs him. He is currently completing his UEFA Pro Licence at the FAW alongside Thierry Henry.

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# PLAYER PROFILES



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## JOE DAY

Newport County's longest serving player, Joe Day is a calming influence at the back. Day began his career with Crystal Palace in 2007. After spending time out on loan at a number of non-league sides, he made his Football League debut in January 2014 for Peterborough United. Later that year, Day joined The Exiles on a one-month loan, making his debut versus Portsmouth on 30th August 2014. Following some impressive displays the loan period was subsequently extended to 28 November 2014.

In December 2014, Day joined the Club on a permanent basis and has recently signed a new two year deal keeping him at the Club until 2019. An excellent shot stopper and a consistent and calm performer, Joe is a favourite among County fans.

02



## DAVID PIPE

A tireless and committed defender who never gives anything less than 100%. David Pipe captained The Exiles to victory at the Conference Play-Off at Wembley in 2013 but was let go the following year. He re-signed for the Club in May 2017. Pipe has been part of two remarkable seasons at Newport County AFC. In 2013, he led the team to promotion back to the Football League and in 2017 he played a major part in keeping them there.

He played in every game since re-joining the Club in January and epitomised the 'never-say-die' fighting spirit which became key in the team's scrap to cling onto their Football League Status. A favourite among County fans due to his endless energy and committed performances, he's quickly becoming a County legend.

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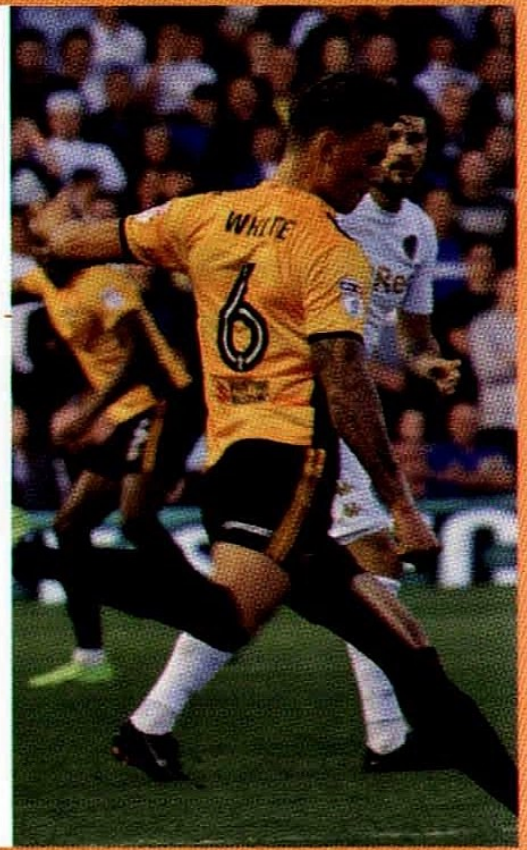
## DAN BUTLER

Signed by Warren Feeney in 2016 on a two-year deal, Dan Butler was one of the few ever-present players throughout the turbulent 2016/17 Season and his consistent performances landed him the 'South Wales Argus Readers' Player of the Year Award. He began his career at Portsmouth aged ten and made his debut for the club at just 17-years of age in a 3-0 defeat to Plymouth in the League Cup. Spells with Havant & Waterlooville and Torquay followed before he joined Newport in 2016.

06

**BEN WHITE**

Aged just 19, Ben White has the composure and ability of a much older player and has been tipped to have a big future. White joined the prestigious Southampton Academy aged eight and remained there until the age of 16. He then joined Brighton and Hove Albion's academy where he has continued to shine ever since. He made his professional debut for the Seagulls against Colchester last season and was a key figure in Brighton's U23 Checkatrade Trophy side last season. He is currently on a season-long loan at Rodney Parade.



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**MARK O'BRIEN**

Mark O'Brien wrote his name in the football history books last term when his 89th minute winner against Notts County on the last day of the season saved Newport County from relegation to the National League. He began his football career in Ireland before he joined Derby County making his professional debut at the Club just 12 months later aged just 16. In that season, he was named Derby County's Academy Player of the Year and Republic of Ireland's U16s Player of the Year.

It was a dream start for the Irish teenager but a routine medical scan towards the beginning of the next season picked up a heart problem which required immediate surgery. Despite a full recovery, taking nearly a season away from football had hampered his progress with the first team. He continued to impress in the youth system, however, and during his 6 years with the Club would go onto make over 30 first-team appearances.

04



**JOSS LABADIE**

A no nonsense destructive midfielder, Joss Labadie epitomises County's resilience and never-give-up spirit. Labadie began his career at West Brom. Whilst playing multiple times for the reserve team and being sent out on successful loans, Joss was unable to make an impression at the Club and eventually moved to Tranmere Rovers. A two-year spell at Notts County followed, then a year at Torquay United before moving to Dagenham & Redbridge.

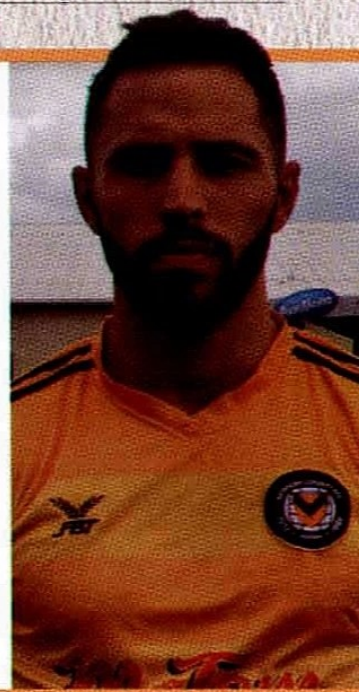
He joined The Exiles in June 2016 on a two-year deal and made an excellent start for the Club with a match-winning goal on his debut. He is the Club Captain and he played a vital role in County staying up last season.

07

**ROBBIE WILLMOTT**

A fan favourite and now in his second spell with the club, Robbie Willmott's pace and versatility has made him an ever-popular character with County fans young and old. Robbie began his career at Cambridge United coming up through The U's Academy, he scored 19 goals in 108 games for United before Luton Town cashed in on him for £50,000. Two years and one 'Team Of The Year' appearance later, Robbie was released from Luton and re-signed for Cambridge.

After joining the club from Cambridge United in January 2013, Robbie was vital in County's National League play-off promotion winning season and was a regular in the Newport team until his release by Terry Butcher at the start of the 15/16 season. Willmott spent three years away from County before returning after spells at Ebbsfleet and Eastleigh.



08

**MATTHEW DOLAN**

Matty Dolan was one of the Exiles' first signings of the window and joined County following a very successful season at Yeovil Town FC where he was voted the Club's Player of the Season. Michael Flynn called Matty Dolan his "top target" when the creative midfielder signed for the club and has been a revelation in the County midfield since arriving in the summer.

Born in Hartlepool. Matty began his career with Middlesbrough and after several loan spells he signed permanently for Bradford City before moving to Yeovil Town on a permanent basis. 77 appearances and seven goals later, Michael Flynn recruited Matty to be a regular in the midfield at Rodney Parade.



09

**PADRAIG AMOND**

Amond started his career at his hometown club Shamrock Rovers and continued to play in Ireland before venturing to Portugal where he made 17 appearances for Pacos de Ferreira. Pdraig then moved on to Sky Bet League 2 for the first time playing over 80 times for Morecambe. Spells at Grimsby and Hartlepool followed before his eventual move to The Exiles this summer.

Amond scored on his debut in the 4-1 homecoming match vs Chesterfield in the first home game of the 2017/18 season.



10

**FRANK NOUBLE**

County's number 10 possesses both great power and terrific pace. An aerial presence as well as skilful on the ball from wide positions, Frank can play anywhere on the forward front line and be ever-effective. Starting his career at Chelsea, Frank joined West Ham United after leaving The Blues, turning down a professional contract to instead sign for Gianfranco Zola's Hammers.

Since then Frank has played for 15 different clubs, County being his 16th. During that time the forward has played for clubs such as West Brom, Swindon Town, Swansea City, Wolves and even a spell in China with Tianjin Quanjian.

Frank enjoyed a fantastic home debut for The Exiles scoring a 13-minute-hat-trick in the homecoming match against Chesterfield. The prolific strike has also played for England at youth level experiencing a total of 10 appearances across both England U17 and U19 level.



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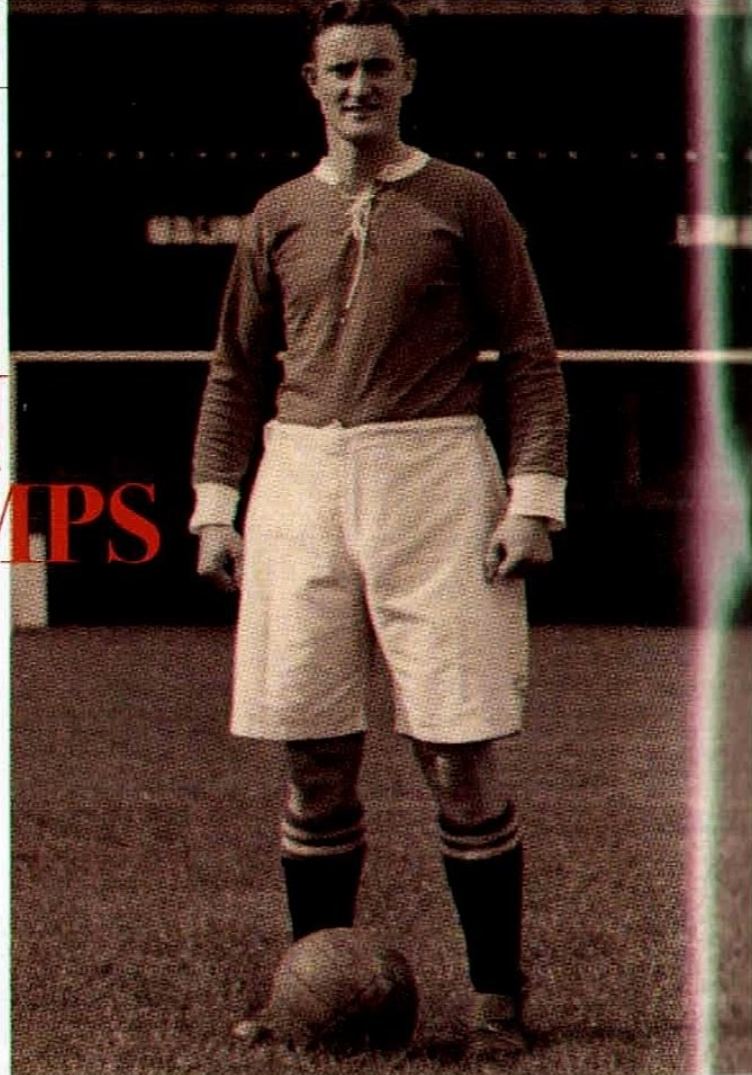
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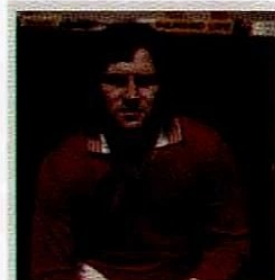
### ARTHUR BRIGGS

At almost 33, Arthur was an experienced keeper with 250 appearances to his name when he arrived at bottom of the League Town in 1933. A point from a goalless draw on his debut - in front of a meagre 1,528 - was enough to take them above Newport. He went on to play in every game in 1933/34 before losing his place to Fred Houldsworth. Arthur joined County in June 1935, making his debut against Swindon in the August. STFC 73 apps / NCFC 41



### GARY EMMANUEL

Gary came to the County Ground in July 1981 in a player-exchange deal that saw Brian Williams switch to Eastville. Rovers had been relegated from the Second Division that summer and unfortunately Gary recorded an unwanted 'double' when Town went down twelve months later. The midfielder hit nine goals for Town, seven of which came away from home. He moved to Newport in July 1984 but had to wait until the March for his League debut. STFC 131 apps / NCFC 15



### STEVE AIZLEWOOD

Newport-born Steve made his League debut for his home town club in April 1969, when just 16. The former Wales schoolboy international centre-half stayed at Somerton Park another seven years until Danny Williams signed him for Town for £13,000 as an eventual replacement for Frank Burrows - who would sign him for Portsmouth in 1979. Steve's transfer was one of the first to be decided by a tribunal. STFC 138 apps / NCFC 216

### STEVE JENKINS

Initially signed on loan from Peterborough by Andy King in October 2004, Merthyr-born Steve had played over 500 games in a 14-year career. Like his predecessor in the number six shirt - Andy Gurney - he was able to slot in anywhere in the back four or as a defensive midfielder. Injuries limited Steve's Town appearances in 2005/06 and any hopes of a further stay went with Iffy Onuora. In October 2006, Steve joined Newport where he was appointed player-coach in June 2008. STFC 54 apps / NCFC 83



### PAUL BODIN

Paul had two spells with both Newport and Town. He first joined County as a 17 year old, but did not make their League side until his return there in January 1988. Less than six weeks later Lou Macari signed him for Town, putting him straight into a Simod Cup semi-final at Luton. 'Zippy', as he was known to his teammates, left for Palace in a half-million pound deal in 1991. But he was back ten months later, stroking home the penalty that took Swindon into the Premiership. STFC 297 apps / NCFC 6





**KENNY STROUD**

Town signed the Swindon and England schoolboy forward at just 14, in January 1968. By the time Kenny made his County Ground debut in September 1971 he was operating in midfield and will always be remembered for his stunning long range strike in a televised F.A.Cup tie against Everton in January 1977. Equally comfortable in the back line, Kenny left to join Newport in 1982, helping them to finish just four points short of gaining promotion to the second tier. STFC 373 apps / NCFC 58



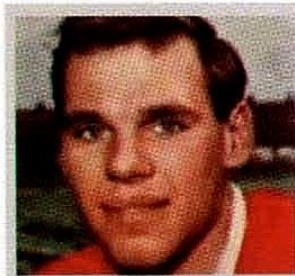
**BILLY LUCAS**

Standing just 5'6", Billy had no League experience when he was signed by Ted Vizard from Wolves in 1937 aged 19. An inside-forward, he went on to score 47 goals for Town either side of the last War. In March 1948 Billy joined Swansea Town in an £11,500 deal - a record for both clubs. He was appointed player-manager at County in December 1953 and had three further spells there, taking charge of over 750 games up until 1974. STFC 192 apps / NCFC 99



**PAT TERRY**

Londoner Pat, having failed to secure a regular place in the old First Division at The Valley, left to join Newport in 1956. He quickly made his mark there, notching 32 goals in two seasons. Pat went on to serve five other clubs before arriving at the County Ground from Reading in February 1967. Town were then in the bottom four of the Third Division, but Pat's seven goals in 18 games helped them to a respectable eighth place finish. In 1967/68, he hit two hat-tricks in a 19-goal tally. STFC 67 apps / NCFC 61



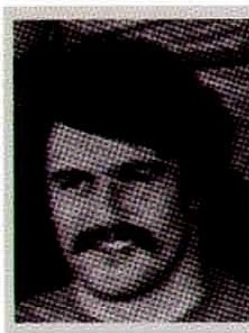
**BOBBY WOODRUFF**

Signed by Town straight from school in 1956, Bobby went on to be a member of the side that won promotion for the first time in the club's history in 1963. He made his League debut as a centre-forward in February 1959, but his first extended spell in the first team came at left-half. An early exponent of the long throw, Bobby could propel the ball over forty yards! He left Swindon for Wolves in 1964. Joining Newport ten years later, he played his final League game in January 1976. STFC 205 apps / NCFC 58



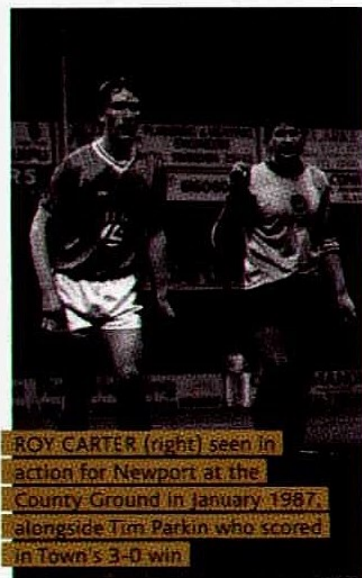
**ROY CARTER**

Cornishman Roy came to the County Ground in a £22,000 transfer from Hereford in late 1977. He rarely missed a game in 1978/79, hitting eleven goals from midfield. His highest tally for Town came three seasons later when he top-scored with 15, six coming from penalties. But he also missed one against relegation rivals Newport, which proved to be costly. Also a reliable centre-half, Roy went on to spend four years with County from 1983 to 1987. STFC 236 apps / NCFC 180



**WYN HOOPER**

Wyn progressed through the ranks at Somerton Park at the same time as Steve Aizlewood, making his League debut there a month earlier than the defender. After impressing in two F.A.Cup ties against Town in November 1975, Wyn followed Steve to Swindon a year later - although his debut was delayed by bad weather until the February. A knee injury severely hampered his progress and he was released in the close season, joining Aldershot. STFC 6 apps / NCFC 197



ROY CARTER (right) seen in action for Newport at the County Ground in January 1987, alongside Tim Parkin who scored in Town's 3-0 win



**OTHERS WHO SERVED BOTH CLUBS (EXCLUDING CURRENT STAFF):**

Ken Allen, George Barker, Steve Berry, Jack Brinton, William Chivers, Steve Cowe, David Cunningham, Albert Derrick, Dai Edwards, Terry Elwell, John Emanuel, Will Evans, Alec Ferguson, Jimmy Gilligan, Howard Goddard, Charlie Griffin, Andy Gurney, Tom Helsby, Ashan Holgate, Ralph Hunt, Dai Jones, Jimmy Kelso, Ray Lawrance, Norman Low, Sid Lowry, Ken McPherson, Harry Martin, Alan Mayes, Kaid Mohamed, Kevin Moore, Michael Smith, Miles Storey, Chris Taylor, Rod Thomas, Gary Thorne, Andrew Todd, Bobby Weale, Jack Webb, Robert Woodruff (jnr), Herbert Young

# COMMERCIAL

with Adam Wainwright



## GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO THE ENERGY CHECK COUNTY GROUND FOR A GAME THAT IS EXPECTED TO DELIVER PLENTY OF ATMOSPHERE AS WE LOOK TO GET BACK TO WINNING WAYS.

We recently published a commercial update regarding the success of both sponsorship and hospitality sales, which you can see for yourself by visiting our commercial section on the official website. All the games have been listed in the form of a grid, which makes it easier for you to select an available fixture. Due to the recent surge of bookings, we urge all supporters to get in touch with us ASAP if they are looking to book hospitality in the New Year.

For our Festive Friday fixture against Colchester United, you will have hopefully seen today that we have some great offers running across the hospitality floor as part of our Red Saturday promotions. Matchball and Captain sponsorships have been heavily reduced to just £750 including VAT for ten guests per sponsorship. Mascot experiences have been reduced down to just £129, including VAT and you can book Robins Suite Hospitality from just £25 including VAT. Christmas has well and truly come early here in the land of STFC. To book please call Adam on one of the numbers below. Bring your Christmas party to ours!

We continue to develop and build relationships with two of our newest sponsors, both The Energy Check and Relish Broadband. A number of meetings have been facilitated between The Energy Check and other sponsors, which have been really successful and a great example of networking within our business community. You will have also hopefully seen the competitions that we have promoted, the most recent being to like or share the post to be in with a chance of winning five pairs of hospitality tickets to a game of your choice. You will see Relish Broadband here today as they launch the Superfast Scorer challenge at half-time, where three lucky supporters will compete with each other and go against 'Blocking Rockin Robin' to score the fastest goal. Please give them a big cheer and don't forget if you are looking for Broadband, please visit the Relish website and give them the opportunity to service your home or business estate.

On to today and we welcome David M Coe Financial Planning LTD as Match Sponsors. The Swindon Cricket Club, who David also sponsors,

will represent him on the sponsorship table today and we hope you all have an enjoyable visit. Our Matchball Sponsors and very good friends of the club are Dave Cobb Transport LTD - Dave sponsors the club with many sponsorship days out and has a groundboard here. We hope you have a great day with us. Last but not least we extend a warm Robins welcome to our Captain Sponsor, Clive Sharples. Clive has supported us with a sponsorship for many seasons and is a lifelong Town fan. It is also great to report that the hospitality floor today is a sell-out and we also entertain eight mascots as part of a busy schedule, so huge thanks to all of you for supporting us so very well commercially.

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# MATT *Preston*

SOME ARE COMPARING HIM TO THE LEGENDARY SHAUN TAYLOR ALREADY, SO IT IS FAIR TO SAY THAT MATT PRESTON HAS MADE QUITE THE IMPRESSION DURING HIS SHORT TIME AT SN1. AND, AS HE TELLS RED REVIEW, THE CENTRE-BACK IS LOVING EVERY MINUTE OF HIS TOWN STAY...

# IN-DEPTH WITH...

*Matt, you've been at the club for a couple of months or so now, so how have you settled at the club on and off the pitch?*

Since I've been here everyone has made me feel welcome and I'm living with Johnny G and Donal McDermott at the minute, so they've made sure that I had everything I needed when I first came in. The Gaffer and Futch have been brilliant with their support and just the aura around the club gives you positive vibes all the time. I guess it has shown with our recent results.

*For anyone coming into a new club a fast start is key, you've certainly done that and you are already a firm fans' favourite. How important was it for you to make such an impression this early on?*

You want to let people know what you are about straightaway and when you are new and relatively unknown you want to make sure that people know what you are going to bring to the table and I felt like I've done that. There is still more to come, I'm always getting better, but there is always a foundation you want to set and I feel like I have done that.



## 17/18 STATS...

GAMES PLAYED ----- 9

STARTS ----- 9

MINUTES PLAYED ----- 810

GOALS -- 2



Could you have wished for a better start to your Town career?

In terms of how the team have been playing it has been perfect because since I've arrived we've been on a long winning streak and we only lost that unbeaten run on Tuesday. In terms of me, I've got two goals which is a big positive for me and that is something I want to add to my game. It has been a positive start.

A few Swindon fans on social media have compared you to Town icon Shaun Taylor, are those comments nice to hear and do you focus on trying to be a threat in both boxes?

Yeah, of course. I've had one disallowed goal and in every game it feels like the keepers are pulling off great saves to keep me from scoring, so I feel like I'm moving in the right direction when it comes to adding more goals to my game.

And with players like Chris Hussey and Matt Taylor in the team, you aren't going to be starved of service are you?

Yeah, exactly. They are always going to give you the perfect set-piece and ball to put your head on it and they basically put it on a plate for us.

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## SOME FACTS...

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You knew Olly Lancashire from your time at Walsall and you two have formed a formidable partnership at the heart of the defence. What have you made of it?

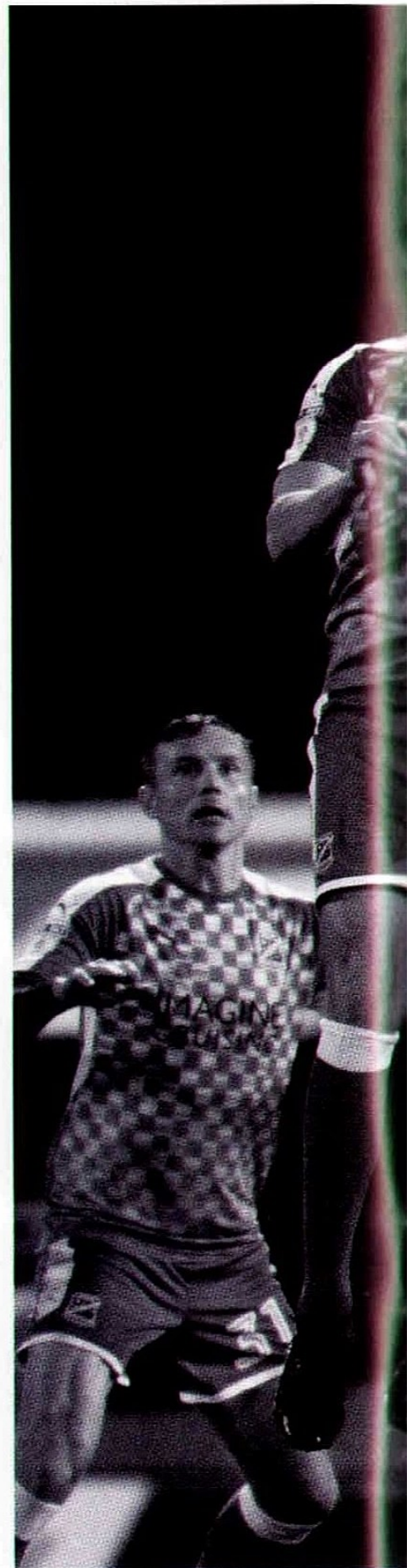
Knowing him before helped and it has been good in the sense of knowing each other's strengths and knowing what people want from you. I feel like I already knew that and I know what Lancs wants and vice-versa.

The Gaffer has been full of praise for you recently, describing you as a mans' man and a proper old-fashioned defender. Is the ugly side of the game something you really pride yourself on?

Defending is always number one for me and I've been taught that from a very early age. Even when I've played under managers who like to play football, I'm the centre-back so I leave the football to other players but I feel like I can do more than just defend and I wouldn't want to put myself into that bracket where defending is the only thing I can do. I want to be able to do the other side of it as well but if I have to put it into Row Z then that's what I'll do. That's defending.

It has only been a couple of months but do you think Swindon Town is the perfect fit for you?

It was a good decision 100% and I'm glad to be here.





We have been on a superb run recently and results like the win at Yeovil have showcased just how strong the squad is, hasn't it?

The team is very strong and, even though we lost on Tuesday, I don't feel like that will be a blip in the long run and it is just a matter of learning from the small mistakes we made and going again. You've got to have squad depth if you are going to push for the title and we've got that. We've got people coming off the bench and they are making a huge

impact on the game and that's what we need.

Finally, Newport County are the visitors today and it is a real chance to get back to winning ways and put on a show for the home fans, isn't it?

Newport will be up there come the end of the season and it is the perfect chance for us to bounce back because it is a big game and we're at home. We've got to make sure that we defend the fortress and make sure we get the win.



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## SWINDON TOWN

Scorers: Timi Elsnik (47),  
Luke Norris (90).



Subs: Henry, Robertson, Knoyle,  
(John Goddard 03), (Luke Norris 30),  
Gordon, (Paul Mullin 66).

Booked: Kaiyne Woolery,  
James Dunne.



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## CHESTERFIELD

Scorers: Kristian Dennis (56),  
Jak McCourt (72).



Subs: Parkin, Sinnott, Dimaio,  
(Jerome Binnom-Williams 60),  
De Girolamo, Weir.

Booked: Louis Reed, Ian Evatt.





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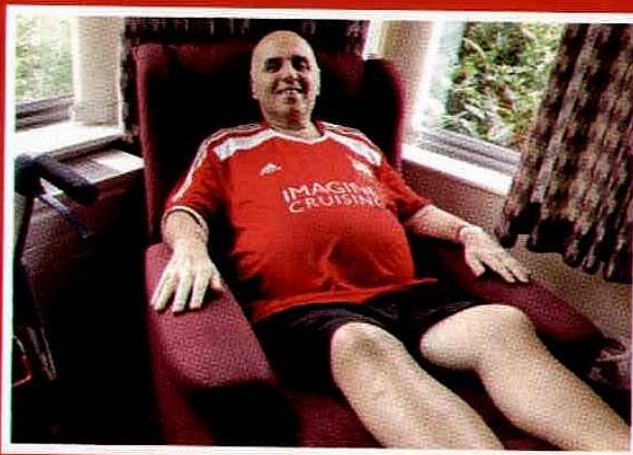
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# Message Board



## CARLO FRIJIA

Carlo Frijia has been a loyal and dedicated supporter of Swindon Town his entire life. All his family and friends knew him to be a monumental football fan and a passionate season ticket holder for many years. He followed Swindon through thick and thin, through their many ups and downs

He recently and very sadly lost his fight to cancer but to the end was a strong and proud man who blessed so many of his friends and family with his love and kindness. This is a picture which epitomises his positive attitude and love for Swindon even in his final weeks at the Hospice.

In the weeks that passed after he lost his fight there have been so many dedications and incredible fund raising events to offer tribute to his life. The many cards, flowers, messages about him are all so wonderful in nature. This showed the effect he had on everyone and everything that he touched or was associated with.

When someone passes, it's natural to ponder the person we've lost and their life. With Carlo you don't even have to try because, it emanates from all the people that loved him and the people he loved...his family and his friends. It

shows just how much of a void there is now that he's gone.

Cancer can take everything from you. But what it can never steal from you is your spirit, your soul and the very essence of who you are. Carlo proved that right until the last minute. He fought with every ounce of his spirit until his last day and that will stay with us forever. His strength in life was incredible, but his strength in the biggest fight of life was nothing short of heroic. He showed us the power of the human spirit, to face death with such courage, resilience and determination is in itself, an example of just how astounding a person he truly was.

All his friends and family must feel lucky and proud to have known him, a true privilege and an honour. He was an incredible son, a wonderful brother, a caring cousin and nephew, a fierce friend and a hero of an uncle...A true gentleman, a lovable and joyous character to be around you.

Never forget that smile or that cheeky laugh because it epitomised the man we all miss you so terribly.

Gone but never forgotten, RIP.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FRANK GLEED

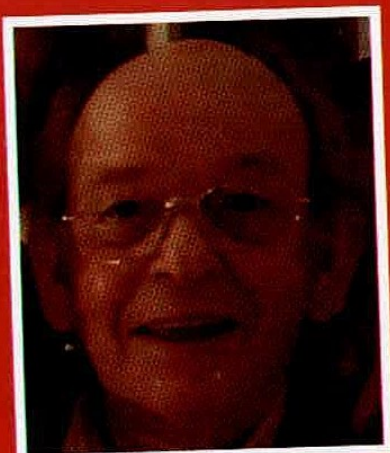
Happy Birthday to Frank Gleed, who is here in the Imagine Cruising Suite today celebrating his birthday with family and friends. Frank has been a staunch supporter of STFC all of his life. Sadly World War 2 meant that he couldn't start coming to matches until aged 11 in 1945, but since then he has put in many years of service! He has also successfully brainwashed his daughter, granddaughter and other family members along the way! Here's to a home win - which will be the perfect birthday present.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARION CHILDERS

Marion was one of the original and finest set of STFC Cheerleaders back in the late 60's, one of the most successful era's for the Club with all the magic of the 1969 League Cup victory against Arsenal.

Marion is a very passionate Town Supporter, following the Clubs fortunes over the years and is a great host here at the Football Club on a matchday! Many guests across many seasons (both young and old) have been spoilt by her kindness when being presented with a wonderful cake, she has baked to celebrate a special occasion - She is the STFC Star Baker for sure, and a whole lot more. Marion will always add glitz & glamour to every occasion and is special to all those that regularly frequent the Robins Suite for both her warmth and professionalism. Have a great day, and many happy returns.



## DAVID TALBOT

Avid Town supporter David Talbot, who was based in Macclesfield, sadly passed away aged 69 on the eve of the F.A.Cup tie at Dartford.

A familiar face at away games in the north and the Midlands, he will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

# CONGRATULATIONS, JON !

Unfortunately for our son, Jon (Jonathan) Parks, he was not born into a family of football supporters. However, as a very young lad, Jon was invited by his school friend, Adam Tanner and Adam's dad, Kevin – both STFC season ticket holders - to watch a home match and it was not long before Jon was a keen fan and season ticket holder too with an ever-expanding collection of match programmes.

On a couple of occasions, and still very young, Jon was a club mascot. Once old enough, he started going with



other youngsters to away matches under the caring and watchful eyes of George Chadwick and his wife for whose kindness and support we were most grateful.

As a teenager, during his journeys to and from away matches, Jon often acted as a coach steward for SAS Travel. For

both his 18th and 21st birthdays, Jon chose to centre his celebrations on STFC with friends and family accompanying him to home matches.

Over the years, not only has Jon entertained us with his STFC facts and figures, often confirming the dates of family events by relating them to the date of STFC matches, but also he has encouraged us to accompany him to home matches – something I (Jacquie) have done and still do several times a season.

So, you may ask, why congratulations? Well, after three years of marriage, Jon and his wife, Jo, are expecting a son due in mid-January – a first grandchild for us – and, hence, our hearty congratulations to both of them!

What was one of the first items purchased by Jon for his son? Naturally, it was something from the STFC shop – a baby outfit printed "Mummy taught me ABC. Daddy taught me STFC."

Not so long ago, Jo treated Jon to STFC hospitality but today it's our turn.

"Come on you reds!"

Jacquie and David Parks

# Mascots...



## WELSH FAMILY

This will be the latest in Welsh Family Mascots as Dad, Mike (Headteacher of Goddard Park Primary) was Mascot for Swindon Town in every match from 1953 to 1964 (pictured here in the Swindon Carnival of 1958) including Swindon's first ever promotion in the 1962/3 season, and remains a lifelong fan. Mikes sister, Carol was the first ever Mascot at Wembley when Town won the League Cup in 1969 (she is pictured here with Stan Harland and Frank McClintock) and then carried on for a further five seasons. So now it is the turn of the youngest family members.

Lily and George Welsh are 6 year old twins, and James Welsh is 8 years old. They all attend Croft Primary School in Swindon, and are Taekwondo infant black belts, play rugby for Supermarine, swim at Highworth and are learning the piano. James is a Cub, and Lily along with George are Beavers all in the 12th Swindon Scout Group in Old Town. They have had Junior Reds membership for several seasons and their current favourite players are Matt Preston and Paul Mullin.



# TODAY'S Mascots...



**JOSEPH COOMBS**

Age: 7  
 School: Burford School, Marlow Bottom  
 Teams Played For: Marlow Fc Youth Under 8'S  
 Hobbies/Likes: Football, Cricket, Tennis, Running, P.E  
 Favourite Town Player: Luke Norris



**HENRY COOMBS**

Age: 10  
 School: Burford School, Marlow Bottom  
 Teams Played For: Marlow Youth Fc Under 10'S and Burford School  
 Hobbies/Likes: Football, Cricket, Tennis, Running, Athletics  
 Favourite Town Player: Kaiyne Woolery



**ALFIE ANSTEY**

Age: 5, will be 6 December 1st  
 School: Grange Infant School  
 Teams Played For: Trains with Wims11  
 Hobbies/Likes: Football, Running, Swimming and playing with his cousins  
 Favourite Town Player: Lawrence Vigouroux & Luke Norris



**NOAH CAUSTON**

Age: 7  
 School: Covingham Park Primary  
 Teams Played For: STFC in the Community  
 Hobbies/Likes: Football, Golf, Martial Arts & Guitar  
 Favourite Town Player: All of them



**ARCHIE GILL**

Age: 7  
 School: Covingham Park Primary  
 Hobbies/Likes: Football, Tennis & Golf  
 Favourite Town Player: Harry Smith

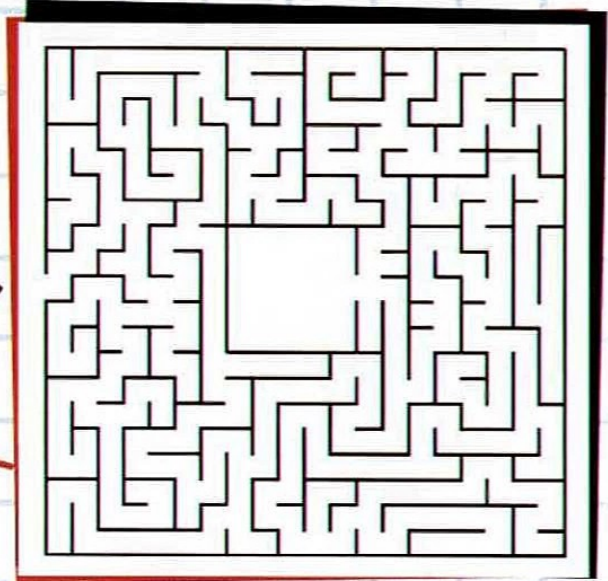


A WARM WELCOME TO **JOEL CAUSTON** WHO IS LOOKING FORWARD TO RUNNING OUT WITH **ROCKIN ROBIN** TODAY.

# JUNIOR Reds

## Maze

CAN YOU FIND YOUR WAY THROUGH THE MAZE?



## Wordsearch

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CAN YOU FIND THE 5 HIDDEN WORDS?

- NEWPORT
- COUNTY
- NOVEMBER
- PLAYER
- ACADEMY

ANSWERS: Shirt Number Challenge -  
Keshi Anderson 30 + Chris Robertson 05 -  
James Dunne 08 = 28. Spot the ball - 2

# Shirt Number Challenge

ADD THE PLAYERS SHIRT NUMBERS UP TO WORK OUT THE ANSWER!



**BIRDBRAIN! 10**

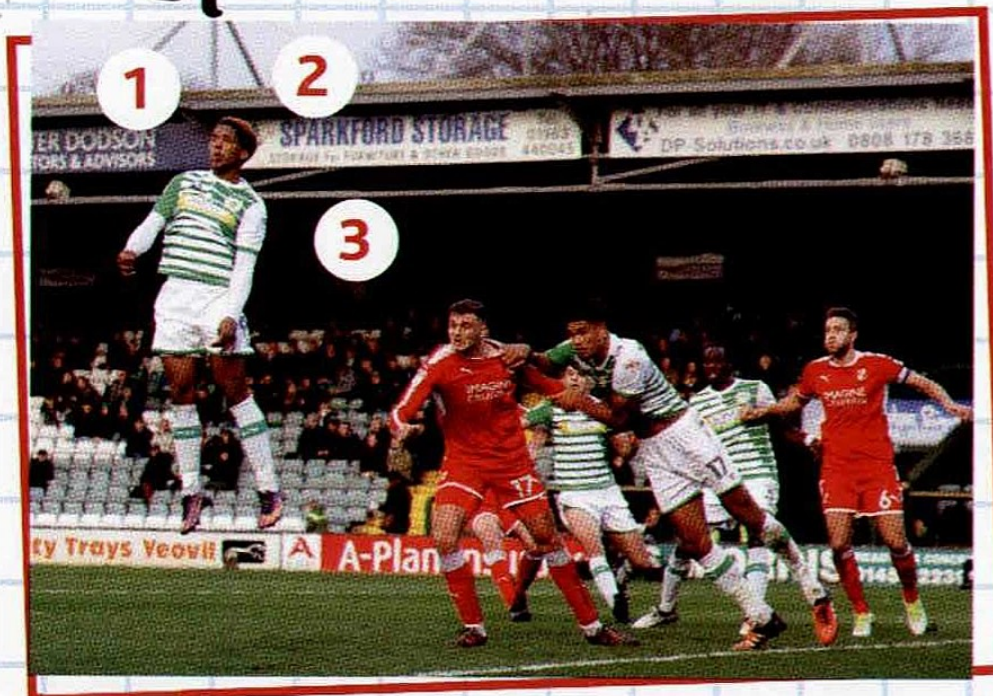
ROCKIN' ROBIN'S NAME THAT BIRD QUIZ!

EVERY YEAR HE FLIES DOWN TO DOVER FROM CARDIFF....

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ANSWER TO NUMBER 9 - PUFFIN!

# Spot the Ball



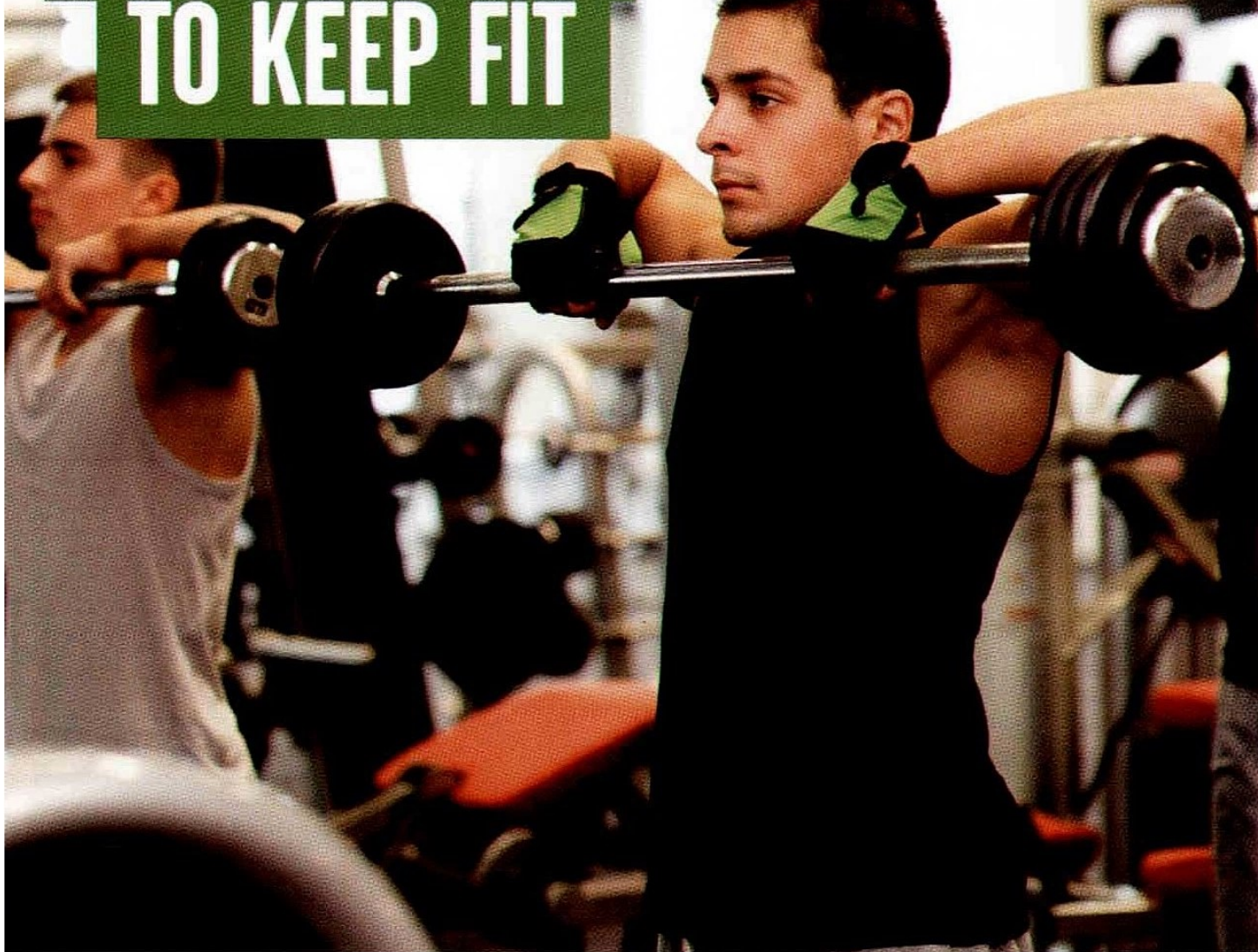


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# Supporters CLUB



WITH ANNIE

Good afternoon and welcome to the County Ground to all Swindon Town Supporters. We also extend a warm welcome to the management, players and supporters from Newport County who have travelled to the game today.



The Supporters Club will be partly funding the Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch again this year. It will be held on the 6th December in the Legends Lounge, starting at midday until 3pm.

This Lunch is open to all Senior Citizens over 65. To book your place, please contact the Supporters Club by email: enquiries@swindontownsupportersclub.com or mobile 07500 788467 or see

Amy at reception, which is now in the Superstore. It is a very popular event, so do book quickly. There is no charge, so just register your name, come along, have fun and enjoy!

The Supporters Club sponsored the Chesterfield game and ten lucky members' numbers were drawn out to enjoy hospitality. Messages that came back said that they had a fantastic time and the whole experience was unforgettable. The staff were brilliant and looked after them well, with an excellent meal and refreshments at half-time and full time.

Our sponsorship continued on the Tuesday, when our under-18 side took on Northampton Town in the second round of the F.A. Youth Cup. They came out 1-0 winners and now go on to face Nottingham Forest in the next round. Sol Pryce scored the only goal of the game and there were some good performances, but we chose Ralph Graham as our man of the match as we felt he just edged it for his effort.

Don't forget we are still looking for committee members and half-time draw sellers!

**ANN ALDER, Chairperson**



## 50/50 HALF-TIME DRAW WINNERS FROM THE CHESTERFIELD GAME

1st No.922 wins £481 - Graham Roberts from Swindon

2nd No.1424 wins £50 - not Claimed

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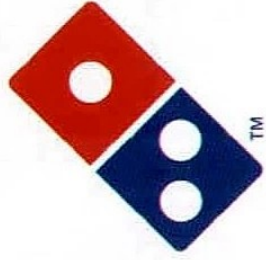
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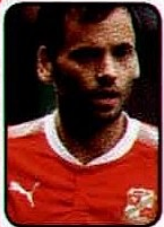


  
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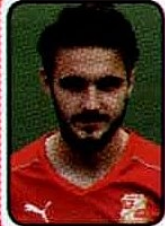
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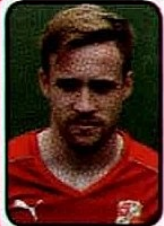
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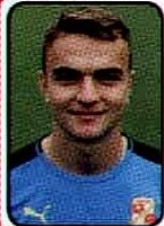
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# 2017-18 STAT PACK



**SWINDON TOWN**

**V**

**NEWPORT COUNTY**



## MATCH FACTS

This is the first time these sides have met in the Football League since January 1987, although they have faced off twice in the FL Trophy since then, with Swindon unbeaten (W1 D1).



## MATCH FACTS

Newport have failed to win any of their last 12 trips to Swindon in all competitions in a run spanning back to April 1957 (D4 L8).



GOALS



AV. GOALS PER GAME



SHOTS (EX. BLOCKED)



% SHOTS ON TARGET



CLEAN SHEETS



% GOALS TO SHOTS



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GOALS CONCEDED

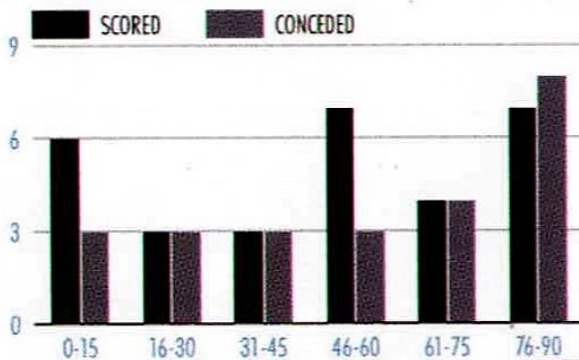


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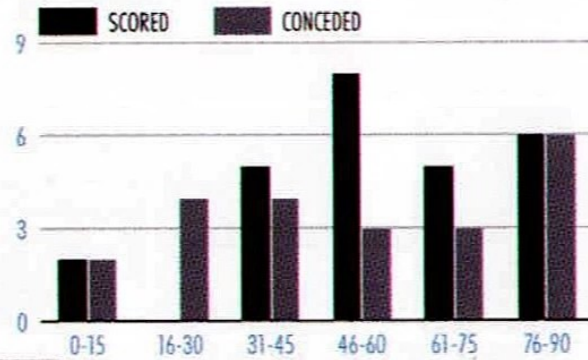


FOULS

## GOAL TIMES



## GOAL TIMES



2017-18 **STAT PACK**
**LEAGUE TWO TOP FIVES****GOALS**

1	DENNIS	11
2	GRANT	11
3	HYLTON	11
4	ADEBAYO AKI...	10
5	DOIDGE	10

**ASSISTS**

1	COOPER	7
2	ADEBAYO AKI...	6
3	TAYLOR	6
4	CAMPBELL-RYCE	5
5	CLARK	5

**SHOTS ON TARGET**

1	UCHE IKPEAZU	27
2	DENNIS	26
3	ADEBAYO AKI...	25
4	JONES	25
5	HYLTON	24

**MINUTES PER GOAL**

1	DENNIS	125
2	GRANT	127
3	ROSE	129
4	HYLTON	135
5	NAZON	143

**% OF GOALS INVOLVED IN**

1	POPE	61
2	DENNIS	57
3	DOIDGE	55
4	COULTHIRST	48
5	KEE	47

**MINUTES PER CHANCE CREATED**

1	REID	152
2	TAYLOR	184
3	COOPER	207
4	SHINNIE	223
5	SELLARS	244

**FOULS**

1	UCHE IKPEAZU	54
2	MANDRON	47
3	ADEBAYO AKI...	46
4	NEWTON	46
5	POPE	45

**MINUTES PER GOAL CONCEDED**

1	LEE	45
2	KRYSIAK	48
3	COLLINS	48
4	ANYON	51
5	GARRATT	53

**LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT**

No player has scored more goals than Danny Hylton in League Two this term (11), however only three of those have come away from home.

**LEAGUE TWO SPOTLIGHT**

Shola Ameobi netted twice in the last meeting between Notts County and Colchester in April; a 3-1 win for County at Meadow Lane.





### YEOVIL TOWN

Scorer: Rhys Browne (4)



Subs: Davies, Smith, Maddison, (Alefe Santos D'Abadia 72), Golubickas, (Jordan Green 84).

Booked: Tom James, Nathan Smith.



REFEREE  
Craig Hicks

Attendance: 3,622 | 18/11/2017 | Huish Park



### SWINDON TOWN

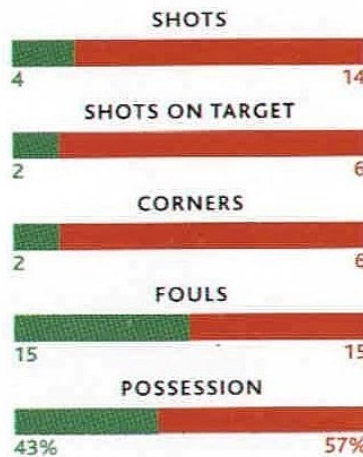
Scorers: Kellan Gordon (67),  
Keshi Anderson (90).



Subs: Vigouroux, Robertson, Knoyle, landolo, (Kellan Gordon 52), (Kaiyne Woolery 63), Mullin.

Booked: Ben Purkiss, Matty Taylor.

# 1-2







## GRIMSBY TOWN

Scorers: Jamille Matt (11), Siriki Dembele (72), Mitch Rose (87)



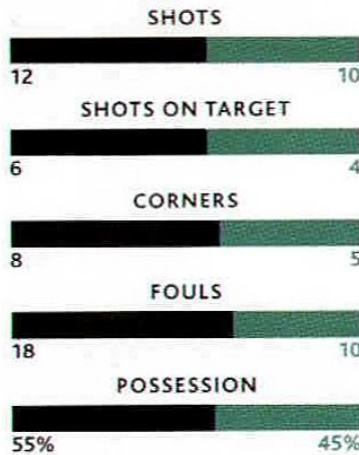
Subs: Killip, Kelly, K Osborne, Dixon, (Jamey Osborne 85), (Scott Vernon 89), Hooper



REFEREE  
Martin Coy

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# 3-2



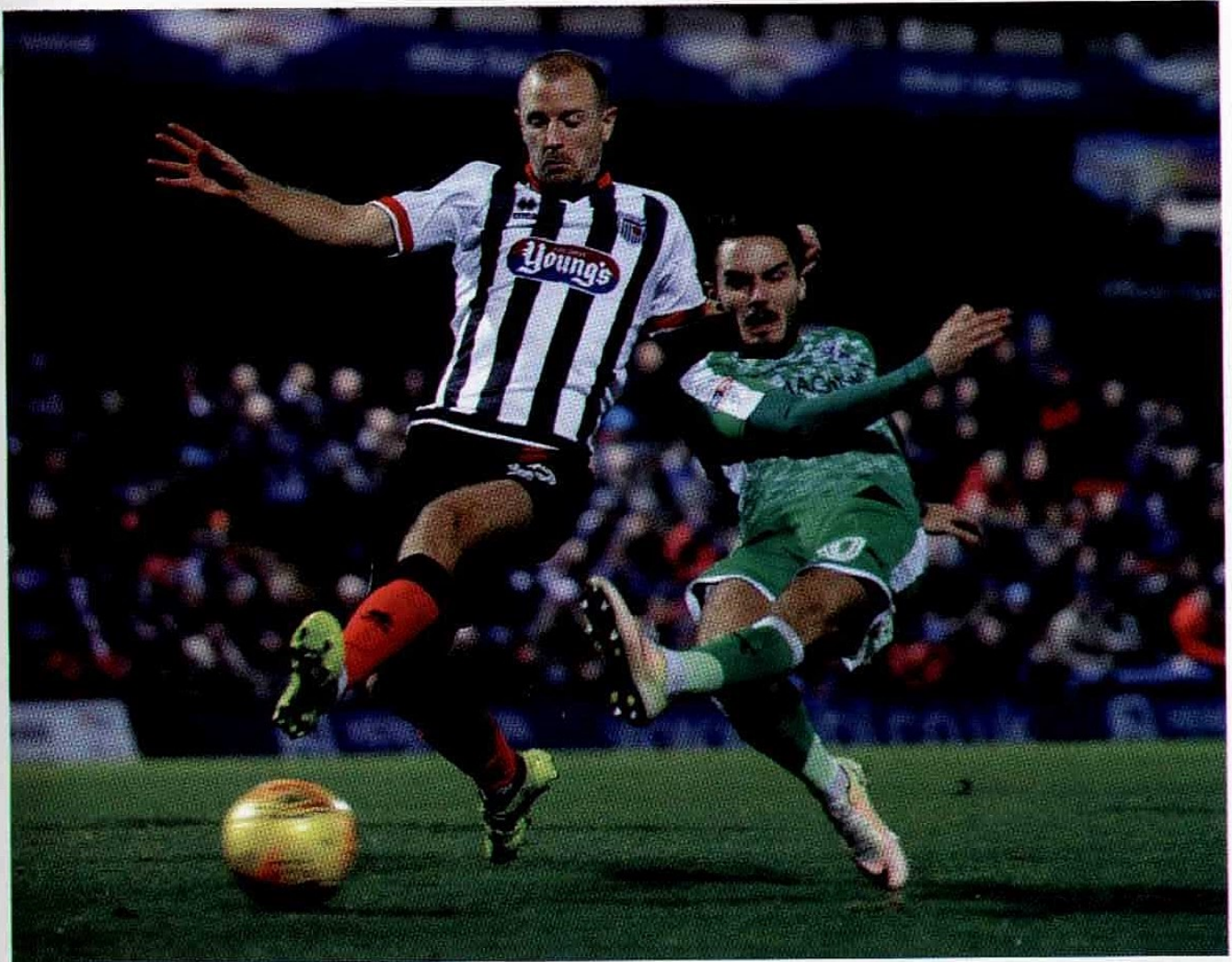
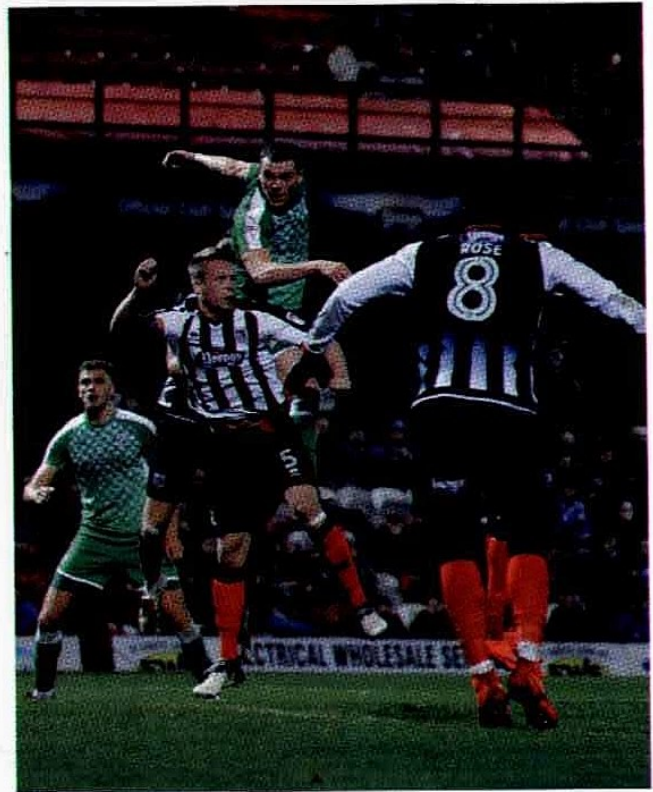
## SWINDON TOWN

Scorers: Keshi Anderson (26), Jamille Matt OG (28)



Booked: Matt Preston, Harry Smith







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## BEST MATE AT THE CLUB

That is quite a hard one. I get on quite well with Kesh and Cooky at the moment, James Dunne as well and there's a group of us.

## MOST SKILFUL

I would say Johnny G, Donal, Kesh, Kaiyne - there's a few to be fair!

## BEST TRAINER

That is quite hard because it varies. I would have to go for Johnny G or Donal



## WORST TRAINER

That's a horrible one! I have no idea on that one.

## HARDMAN

Donal is a tough guy and maybe James Dunne - you can tell that he's got a mean streak!

## BEST DRESS SENSE

It is hard to tell because I haven't seen anyone have a go - I'll have to wait until the Christmas Do!



## WORST DRESS SENSE

James Dunne keeps going at Robbo for his dress sense so I'll give it to him!

## MOST INTELLIGENT

Purks - he's got a very academic mind!



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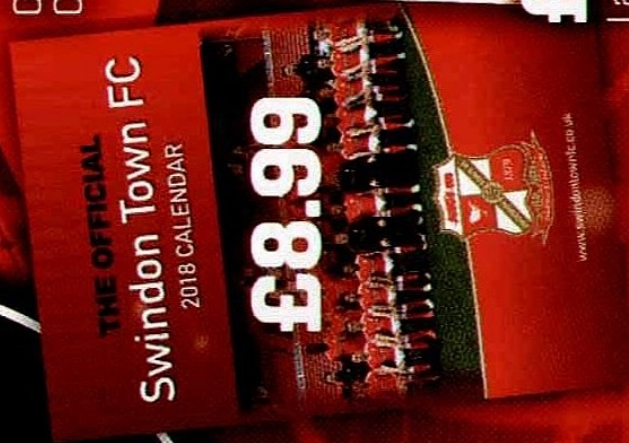
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## U18 STATS

### EFL YOUTH ALLIANCE SOUTH WEST DIVISION

#### SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER

**CHELTENHAM TOWN 4 (2)**

(Lloyd 3, Duncan)

**SWINDON TOWN 5 (2)**

(Graham, Pryce 2, Haines, Dugan)

Matthews, Rejek, Spalding, Haines (Dugan),  
Giamattei P, Romanski, White (Blackwell),  
Graham, Pryce (Atik), Edwards, Stanley.

#### SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER

**SWINDON TOWN 0 (0)**

**BRISTOL ROVERS 1 (0)**

(Brace)

Matthews, Rejek, Spalding, Giamattei P,  
Drag (Dugan), Romanski, Blackwell (White),  
Graham, Pryce, Holland (Wells), Stanley  
(Atik).

### FA YOUTH CUP SECOND ROUND

#### TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER

**SWINDON TOWN 1 (1)**

(Pryce 11)

**NORTHAMPTON TOWN 0 (0)**

Matthews, Blackwell, Romanski, Haines,  
Rejek, Graham, White (Wells), Dugan (Atik),  
Pryce, Edwards, Stanley.

### NEXT HOME GAME V FOREST GREEN ROVERS

SATURDAY 16 DECEMBER AT  
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LEAGUE TABLE									
		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Exeter City	14	10	3	1	49	19	+30	33
2	SWINDON TOWN	14	9	1	4	38	28	+10	28
3	Oxford United	12	7	3	2	25	15	+10	24
4	AFC Bournemouth	10	7	2	1	24	6	+18	23
5	Bristol Rovers	14	6	2	6	27	25	+2	20
6	Portsmouth	13	5	2	6	36	30	+6	17
7	Plymouth Argyle	13	5	0	8	25	29	-4	15
8	Yeovil Town	13	4	2	7	18	22	-4	14
9	Forest Green Rovers	12	3	2	7	14	34	-20	11
10	Newport County	13	2	3	8	16	36	-20	9
11	Cheltenham Town	14	2	2	10	21	55	-34	8

## U18'S BOOK FA YOUTH CUP THIRD ROUND TIE AGAINST NOTTINGHAM FOREST AT THE ENERGY CHECK COUNTY GROUND

THE YOUNG REDS GROUND OUT A HUGE PROFESSIONAL 1-0 WIN AGAINST NORTHAMPTON TOWN IN THE SECOND ROUND TO SET UP A BIG HOME TIE LATER THIS MONTH. U18'S MANAGER ALAN MCLOUGHLIN GIVES HIS THOUGHTS ON THE GAME.

We weren't very good in the first-half, we dug in during the second-half and credit to Northampton because they put us under pressure. We didn't quite play as well as we did against Newport, we wasn't as fluid but we had six First-Years out there against a team of Second-Years.

That's a big, big physical imbalance in terms of their development and ours, so their character and their determination has to be applauded and I was delighted with their attitude. The Gaffer (Dave Flitcroft) came in and spoke to them, which was great, and it was nice to see so many first-team players in attendance.

The most important thing is you can't always play pretty football but you have got to have a winning mentality and we've only lost three games so far this season - I think you can see why. They ran, they covered for themselves, they've

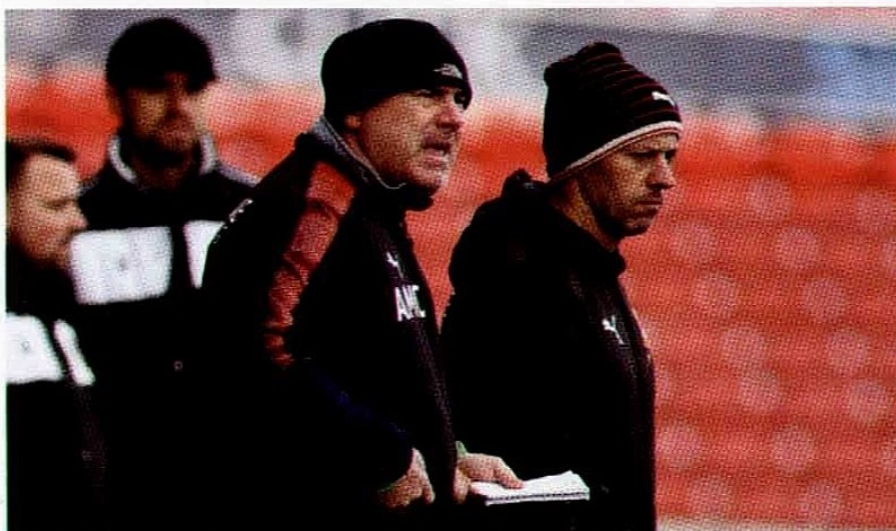
made headers, they've made tackles and Northampton only had one decent chance in the first-half.

It was a great start by us, a good performance in the first-half, not so good in the second but if you want heart and desire then we had it in abundance. We are absolutely delighted at the football club to be in the next round and we now play Nottingham Forest, which has to take place before December 16th.

Sol Pryce is a big centre-forward and he's improving all the time. He works incredibly hard and he can mix it with the best of them. It was a great header against Northampton. Overall, it is a team effort and we look forward to the Third Round now.

Enjoy the game today.

**ALAN MCLOUGHLIN, U18's Manager.**





# Ollie Rejek

**POSITION**

Left / Right Back

**BORN**

Swindon 8 Nov 1999

**FIRST TEAM PLAYED FOR**

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**FIRST JOINED STFC WHEN?**

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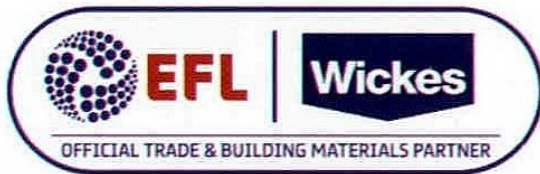
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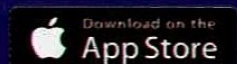


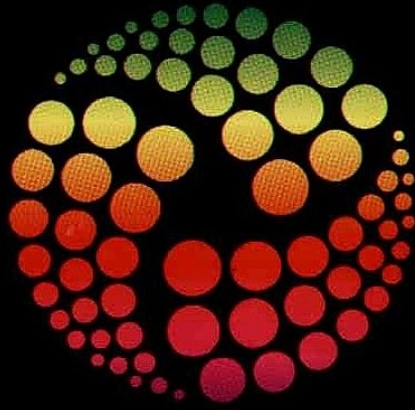
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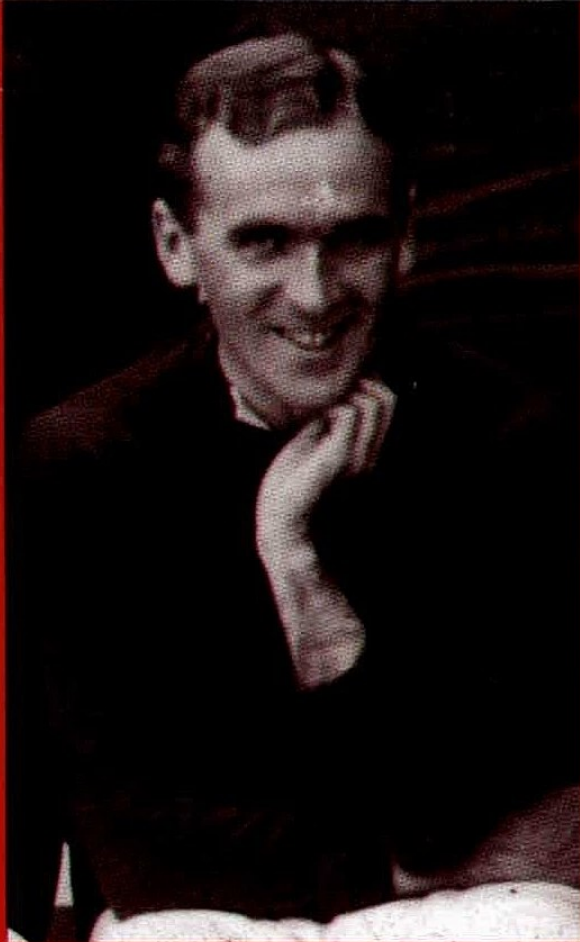
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Freddy netted 12 goals in 36 appearances before assisting Fulham and Derby again - where he eventually agreed a pro contract in February 1907.”



Two months prior to that, he had represented England in an amateur international, scoring against Ireland in a 2-1 win in Dublin.

One further move took Freddy to Reading for the 1908/09 season before he returned to the County Ground in May 1909.

Top scorer in his first season back, he hit 22 in 38 games, seven coming in the two fixtures again Reading. Freddy played in every F.A.Cup game as Town reached the semi-finals as a Southern League club - and when that feat was repeated just two years later, he again played in every tie.

Work commitments prevented Freddy from sailing to South America with the rest of the squad in the summer of 1912, but he had another important engagement - marrying fellow schoolteacher Susan 'Jessie' Jobson in the July.

His Town career would continue until the League programme was suspended at the end of April 1915. After then, he made the occasional appearance in a friendly up until the final day of the 1916/17 season.

Two months later he left for France where, as a second lieutenant with the 13th East Surrey Regiment, Freddy was fatally wounded at Bourlon during the first Battle of Cambrai - on Monday 26 November 1917. He was 35. His final resting place is at the British Military Cemetery at Anneux.

**T**his weekend marks the 100th anniversary of the death of one of Swindon Town's most prominent players of the era prior to the Great War.

Freddy combined a playing career with that of a schoolmaster - even after discarding his amateur status at the age of 27 and signing on as a professional.

Born in Derbyshire, at Alfreton, Frederick George Wheatcroft began his senior career with Derby County in 1903 but first signed for Swindon in the following year, when he took up an appointment at Sanford Street school.

After hitting a hat-trick on his Town debut, in an 8-0 F.A.Cup win over Longfleet St Marys, Freddy netted 12 goals in 36 appearances before assisting Fulham and Derby again - where he eventually agreed a pro contract in February 1907.

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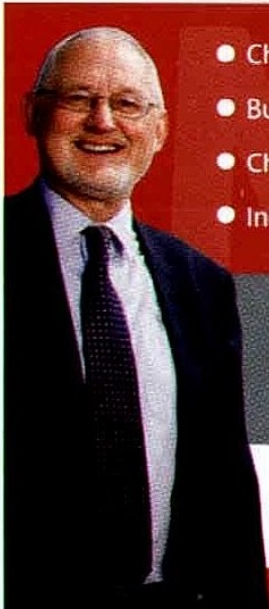
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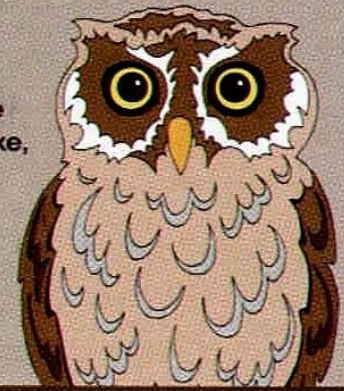
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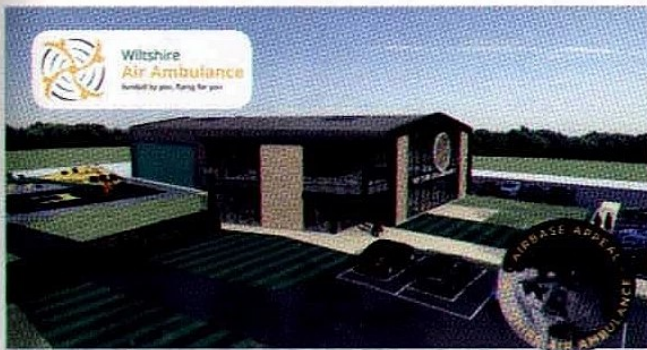


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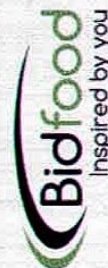
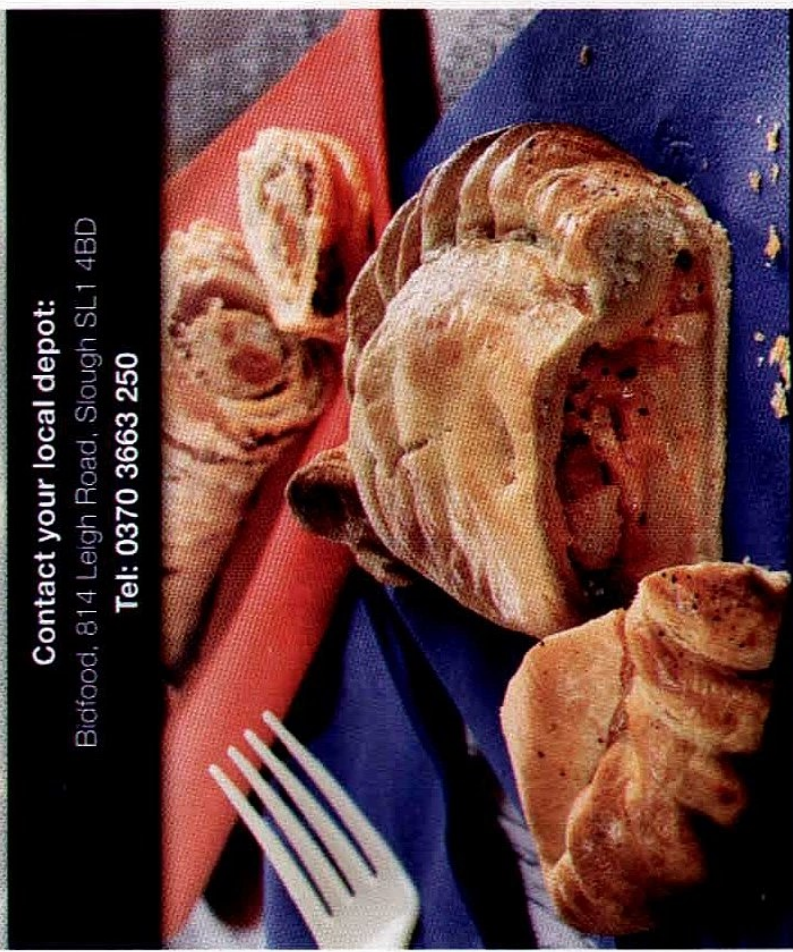
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Road. The football club is approximately 100 metres on the left on Livingstone Road.



### PUBS

The nearest pub is the Crown which is just behind the ground on the main Whalley Road and it welcomes both home and away fans. A little further down Whalley Road (five minutes walk in the direction of the motorway), is the Greyhound pub.



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A Paul Benson brace handed The Reds all three points at home and moved them a step closer to the League Two Title in the last meeting between these two sides.



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The club car park is on the small size and costs £5. However, it does fill up pretty quickly although there is street parking available.



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	SIDES	T.END
Adults:	£23	£19
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Under 18s:	£6	£6
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	SIDES	T.END
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# 2017/18 FIXTURES AND RESULTS

DATE	FIXTURE	RES./K.O	ATT. (AWAY)	STARTING XI					
<b>AUGUST</b>									
Sat Aug 5	Carlisle United	W2-1	6,036 (557)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Conroy	Lancashire	Hussey	Dunne
Tue Aug 8	Nonwich City CC1	L2-3	13,166 (321)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Robertson	Lancashire (1)	Hussey	Dunne
Sat Aug 12	Exeter City	D1-1	7,795 (807)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Robertson	Lancashire	Hussey	Dunne
Tue Aug 15	West Ham United (EFLT)	L2-3	2,082 (285)	Henry	Purkiss	Conroy	Lancashire	Hussey	Dunne
Sat Aug 19	Morecambe	W1-0	1,655 (472)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Conroy	Lancashire	Hussey	Dunne
Sat Aug 26	Crawley Town	L0-3	6,613 (87)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Conroy	Lancashire	Hussey	Dunne
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>									
Sat Sep 2	Barnet	L1-4	5,895 (246)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Robertson	Lancashire	Hussey	Taylor
Sat Sep 9	Luton Town	W3-0	8,455 (832)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Conroy	Lancashire	Hussey (1)	Dunne
Tue Sep 12	Notts County	L0-1	5,107 (336)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Conroy	Lancashire	Hussey	Taylor
Sat Sep 16	Stevenage	W3-2	6,022 (?)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Conroy	Lancashire	Hussey	Dunne
Fri Sep 22	Forest Green Rovers	W2-0	3,305 (804)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Robertson	Lancashire (1)	Hussey	Dunne
Tue Sep 26	Coventry City	L1-2	6,340 (702)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Robertson	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Sat Sep 30	Cambridge United	W2-0	5,847 (326)	Vigouroux	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
<b>OCTOBER</b>									
Sat Oct 6	Cheltenham Town	L1-2	5,050 (1,402)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston (1)	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Sat Oct 14	Mansfield Town	W3-1	4,081 (523)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Tue Oct 17	Lincoln City	L0-1	5,684 (?)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Sat Oct 21	Wycombe Wanderers	W1-0	7,114 (?)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Sat Oct 28	Port Vale	W3-0	5,071 (?)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor (1)	Dunne
Tue Oct 31	Wycombe Wanderers (EFLT)	W1-0	1,236 (?)	Charles-Cook	Knogle	Preston	Robertson	Iandolo	Dunne
<b>NOVEMBER</b>									
Sat Nov 4	Dartford (FAC1)	W5-1	2705 (?)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Wed Nov 8	Bristol Rovers (EFLT)	W4-2	1,657 (197)	Charles-Cook	Knogle	Robertson	Lancashire	Iandolo	Goddard (1)
Sat Nov 11	Chesterfield	D2-2		Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Sat Nov 18	Yeovil Town	W2-1	3,622 (1,144)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Tues Nov 21	Grimsby Town	L2-3	3,023 (199)	Charles-Cook	Purkiss	Preston	Lancashire	Taylor	Dunne
Sat Nov 25	Newport County	15.00							
<b>DECEMBER</b>									
Sat Dec 9	Accrington Stanley	15.00							
Fri Dec 15	Colchester United	19.45							
Sat Dec 23	Crewe Alexandra	15.00							
Tue Dec 26	Luton Town	15.00							
Sat Dec 30	Notts County	15.00							
<b>JANUARY</b>									
Mon Jan 1	Barnet	15.00							
Sat Jan 6	Stevenage	15.00							
Sat Jan 13	Forest Green Rovers	15.00							
Sat Jan 20	Coventry City	15.00							
Sat Jan 27	Crewe Alexandra	15.00							
<b>FEBRUARY</b>									
Sat Feb 3	Lincoln City	15.00							
Sat Feb 10	Mansfield Town	15.00							
Tue Feb 13	Wycombe Wanderers	19.45							
Sat Feb 17	Port Vale	15.00							
Sat Feb 24	Chesterfield	15.00							
<b>MARCH</b>									
Sat Mar 3	Yeovil Town	15.00							
Sat Mar 10	Cheltenham Town	15.00							
Sat Mar 17	Cambridge United	15.00							
Sat Mar 24	Exeter City	15.00							
Fri Mar 30	Morecambe	15.00							
<b>APRIL</b>									
Mon Apr 2	Crawley Town	15.00							
Sat Apr 7	Carlisle United	15.00							
Sat Apr 14	Newport County	15.00							
Sat Apr 21	Grimsby Town	15.00							
Sat Apr 28	Colchester United	15.00							
<b>MAY</b>									
Sat May 5	Accrington Stanley	15.00							



# LEAGUE TABLE

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Luton Town	19	11	5	3	29	38
2	Notts County	19	11	5	3	14	38
3	Accrington Stanley	19	11	4	4	12	37
4	Exeter City	19	10	3	6	4	33
5	Swindon Town	19	10	2	7	6	32
6	Coventry City	19	9	4	6	9	31
7	Mansfield Town	19	8	7	4	7	31
8	Wycombe Wanderers	19	8	6	5	8	30
9	Colchester United	19	8	5	6	4	29
10	Newport County	19	7	6	6	4	27
11	Lincoln City	19	7	6	6	3	27
12	Carlisle United	19	7	5	7	1	26
13	Stevenage	19	7	5	7	-4	26
14	Grimsby Town	19	7	5	7	-4	26
15	Cambridge United	19	7	5	7	-7	26
16	Cheltenham Town	19	6	5	8	-2	23
17	Crawley Town	19	5	5	9	-6	20
18	Yeovil Town	19	5	5	9	-10	20
19	Crewe Alexandra	19	6	2	11	-12	20
20	Forest Green Rovers	19	5	4	10	-16	19
21	Port Vale	19	5	3	11	-10	18
22	Morecambe	19	4	6	9	-10	18
23	Barnet	19	4	5	10	-6	17
24	Chesterfield	19	4	4	11	-14	16

## RESULTS

TUE NOV 21 2017

Yeovil Town 1-1  
Notts County

Stevenage 1-1  
Coventry City

Port Vale 0-4  
Mansfield Town

Newport County 1-2  
Barnet

Morecambe 0-1  
Crewe Alexandra

Luton Town 3-0  
Carlisle United

Grimsby Town 3-2  
Swindon Town

Crawley Town 3-1 Exeter City

Colchester United 1-0  
Lincoln City

Chesterfield 3-2  
Forest Green Rovers

Cheltenham Town 0-0  
Cambridge United

Accrington Stanley 1-0  
Wycombe Wanderers

## TODAY'S GAMES

(3PM UNLESS STATED)

MANSFIELD TOWN V CHESTERFIELD (1PM)

BARNET V GRIMSBY TOWN

CAMBRIDGE UNITED V STEVENAGE

CARLISLE UNITED V MORECAMBE

COVENTRY CITY V CRAWLEY TOWN

CREWE ALEXANDRA V LUTON TOWN

EXETER CITY V ACCRINGTON STANLEY

FOREST GREEN ROVERS V CHELTENHAM TOWN

LINCOLN CITY V PORT VALE

NOTTS COUNTY V COLCHESTER UNITED

WYCOMBE WANDERERS V YEOVIL TOWN

## TOP GOALSCORERS

1	Jorge Grant	Notts County	11
2	Danny Hylton	Luton Town	11
3	Kristian Dennis	Chesterfield	11
4	Adebayo Akinfenwa	Wycombe Wanderers	10
5	Billy Kee	Accrington Stanley	10

## TOP ASSISTS

1	George Cooper	Crewe Alexandra	7
2	Matty Taylor	Swindon Town	6
3	Adebayo Akinfenwa	Wycombe Wanderers	6
4	Billy Kee	Accrington Stanley	5
5	Jordan Clarke	Accrington Stanley	5



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# FROM THE EDITOR

How can we be at the end of November already?! The busy festive period is nearly upon us and I think we can all be happy with where the team is placed in the Sky Bet League Two table.

To go seven (hopefully eight but this was written on the way to Grimsby on Tuesday) games unbeaten is a terrific feat in any division and it certainly seems that everything is clicking into place nicely. There has been plenty of character shown during that run, none more so than in the 2-1 win against Yeovil last week where two late goals gave us another win on the road.

Our next game here is on Friday 15th December when Colchester United come to town and there will be a Christmas theme to the game. There is set to be plenty of festive in and around the ground and it will be the perfect event to get in the mood for the holidays!

You would have also seen that we have launched our STFC Christmas AdventURE

promotion and I am sure this will go down a treat with fans. There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs throughout the month of December and there will be lots of over events going on as we build-up to Christmas.

After a couple of long trips it is nice to be back at home today and hopefully we can record another positive result against a Newport side who are enjoying a decent season so far. It is the perfect opportunity to sign November off on a high note and get more points on the board as we look to break into that top three.

Enjoy the game this afternoon!

**ANDREW STEELE-DAVIS,**  
Head of Media &  
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- 07 Paul Mullin
- 08 James Dunne
- 09 Luke Norris
- 10 John Goddard
- 11 James Brophy
- 12 Will Henry
- 14 Ellis Iandolo
- 15 Tom Smith
- 16 Amine Linganzi
- 17 Harry Smith
- 18 Donal McDermott
- 19 Timi Elsnik
- 20 Kellan Gordon
- 21 Reice Charles-Cook
- 22 Kaiyne Woolery
- 24 Kyle Knoyle
- 25 Dion Conroy
- 26 Jordan Young
- 27 Scott Twine
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- 31 Matty Taylor



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