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SWINDON TOWN

FRASER DIGBY (Goalkeeper): The former Manchester United apprentice joined the Club for a fee of £25,000 in December 1986. Fraser's outstanding displays last season not only helped Swindon Town to gain promotion for the second successive season but also helped him to gain England Under-21 honours. He had previously been capped at Schoolboy and Youth level. **DAVE HOCKADAY** (Defender): The former Blackpool player moved to the County Ground in August 1983. After several seasons of appearing in midfield or as a winger the Billingham born player made the successful transition to full-back during Swindon Town's Fourth Division Championship winning season of 1985/86. An influential member of last seasons promotion campaign from Division Three. **PHIL KING** (Defender): The Bristol born full-back joined Swindon Town from Torquay United for a fee of £12,500 in March 1987. Phil quickly slotted into the Town defence and helped the Club to eventual promotion. During his brief spell at Torquay Phil was the subject of interest from Tottenham Hotspur and he spent a brief spell training with the White Hart Lane Club. **TIM PARKIN** (Defender): Joined Swindon Town from Bristol Rovers in July 1986 for a Football League Tribunal settled fee of £27,500. Tim was prominent in helping the Club to promotion last season. He began his career with Blackburn Rovers before moving to the Continent for a brief spell with Swedish Club Malmo. On his return to the Football League with Bristol Rovers he proved to be a great favourite with the fans of the former Eastville Club. **COLIN CALDERWOOD** (Defender): Stranraer born, Colin, had the distinction of captaining Swindon Town to promotion in consecutive seasons. It is a measure of the dedication and fitness of the former Mansfield Town defender that he has not missed a single match for the Club since his £27,500 move in July 1985. **CHRIS KAMARA** (Midfield): The Middlesbrough born player is now in his second spell at the County Ground, Chris rejoined the Club from Brentford in August 1985 for a fee of £12,500. His earlier spell with the Club came following a move from Portsmouth in July 1977. Chris rejoined the Fratton Park Club in 1981 although his second spell with "Pompey" was short lived. Chris was the driving force in the Town's midfield section as the Club moved into Division Two. **PETER COYNE** (Midfield): Following some brilliant displays with England Schoolboys Peter joined Manchester United. His early promise declined after two appearances in the Old Trafford Clubs League line up and following a free transfer he drifted into non-League football. Peter eventually returned to League action with Crewe Alexandra. Another free transfer took him back to non-League soccer and it was from Hyde United in August 1984 that Lou Macari signed Peter for £5,000. **LEIGH BARNARD** (Midfield): Leigh, along with Dave Hockaday, is one of the only two players remaining from the squad of players who were at the County Ground before the arrival of Lou Macari in July 1984. A player with endless stamina, Leigh has now made nearly 200 League appearances for Swindon Town. **CHARLIE HENRY** (Midfield): Charlie originally joined the Club as an apprentice. Capable of playing in a variety of positions. At the completion of the Town's Fourth Division Championship winning season of 1985/86 he was the Club's leading goalscorer with 18 goals. **STEVE BERRY** (Midfield): Joined the County Ground staff just before the transfer deadline of March 1987 from Newport County. Steve commenced his career as an apprentice with Portsmouth. He made 28

TO AYRESOME



Front row (left to right): Alan McLoughlin, Bryan Wade, Peter Coyne, Lou Macari (team manager), John Trollope (assistant manager), Steve Berry, Leigh Barnard, Mark Jones. Middle row: Andy Rowland (player/coach), Dave Hockaday, Phil King, Terry Merriman, Dave Bamber, Jon Gittens, John Kelly, Steve White, Steve Foley, Chris Ramsey, Kevin Morris (physiotherapist). Back row: Tim Parkin, Jimmy Quinn, Fraser Digby, Chris Kamara, Nicky Hammond, Charlie Henry, Colin Calderwood.

League appearances for the Fratton Park Club before moving to the North East to join Sunderland in 1984. Eventually Steve returned South joining South Wales Club Newport County before leaving the Somerton Park outfit for Swindon Town. **STEVE FOLEY:** (Midfield): Steve moved South to join Swindon Town from Sheffield United in July 1987. Steve made his league debut while on loan to Fulham from Liverpool. Eventually given a free transfer from Anfield he joined Grimsby Town in the close season of 1984, making 31 League appearances. Once again given a free transfer he joined Sheffield United in July 1985. **JIMMY QUINN** (Striker): The Northern Ireland international

rejoined Swindon Town from Blackburn Rovers in December 1986 for a fee of £50,000. Jim had originally joined Swindon Town from Oswestry Town in 1982. The tall striker had made 49 League appearances in his first spell at the County Ground before moving North to join the Ewood Park Club in a £32,000 transfer deal, the first of Macari's transfer deals for Swindon Town. **DAVE BAMBER** (Striker): Moved to Swindon from Portsmouth in March 1986. Dave began his career with Blackpool and his early promise attracted the attention of First Division Coventry City where he moved in 1983. Subsequent moves to Walsall and Portsmouth were a prelude to his eventual move to Swindon Town.

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Tuesday 30th September 1986 — Division Three — Attendance 9,212

MIDDLESBROUGH 1, SWINDON TOWN 0, (H.T. 1-0)

Referee: Arthur Robinson (Manchester)

MIDDLESBROUGH: Stephen Pears, Brian Laws, Colin Cooper, Tony Mowbray (capt), Gary Parkinson, Gary Pallister, Bernie Slaven, Archie Stephens, Gary Hamilton, Gary Gill, Stuart Ripley. **Subs:-** Alan Kernaghan. **Scorers:-** Laws 36.

SWINDON TOWN: Fraser Digby, Chris Ramsey, Dave Hockaday, Chris Kamara (capt), Tim Parkin, Colin Calderwood, David Bamber, Martin Jones, Bryan Wade, Jimmy Gilligan (Peter Coyne 80), Leigh Barnard.

Compiled by **HARRY GLASPER**

FROM THE MANAGERS

A warm welcome today to Swindon Town Football Club, their directors, officials, players and supporters.

Swindon are one of the success stories of football at the present time. Having gained promotion in successive promotions to Division 3 and Division 2 under the shrewd management of Lou Macari. Promotion for any team is not an accident but is a result of a tremendous amount of hard work, dedication and application by

everybody concerned with the Football Club. Whilst the players and management take most of the glamour, Directors in the background play their role also. Well done Swindon.

On the Middlesbrough front we of course have had mixed fortunes as far as results have gone in the past week. We overcame our near neighbours Sunderland by 2 goals to nil to progress into the second round where we have drawn a very attractive Club in Aston Villa. Naturally there are obvious

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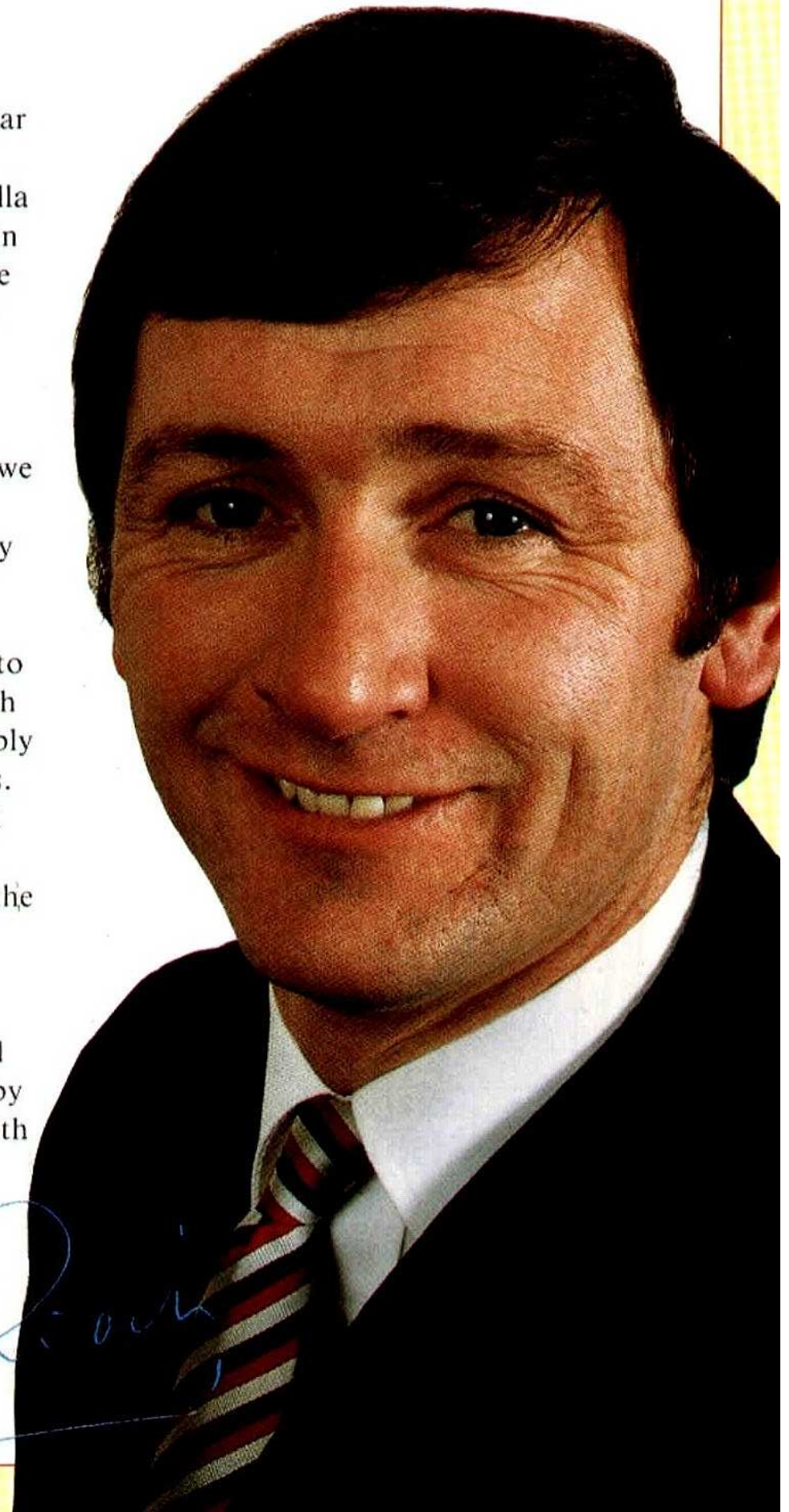
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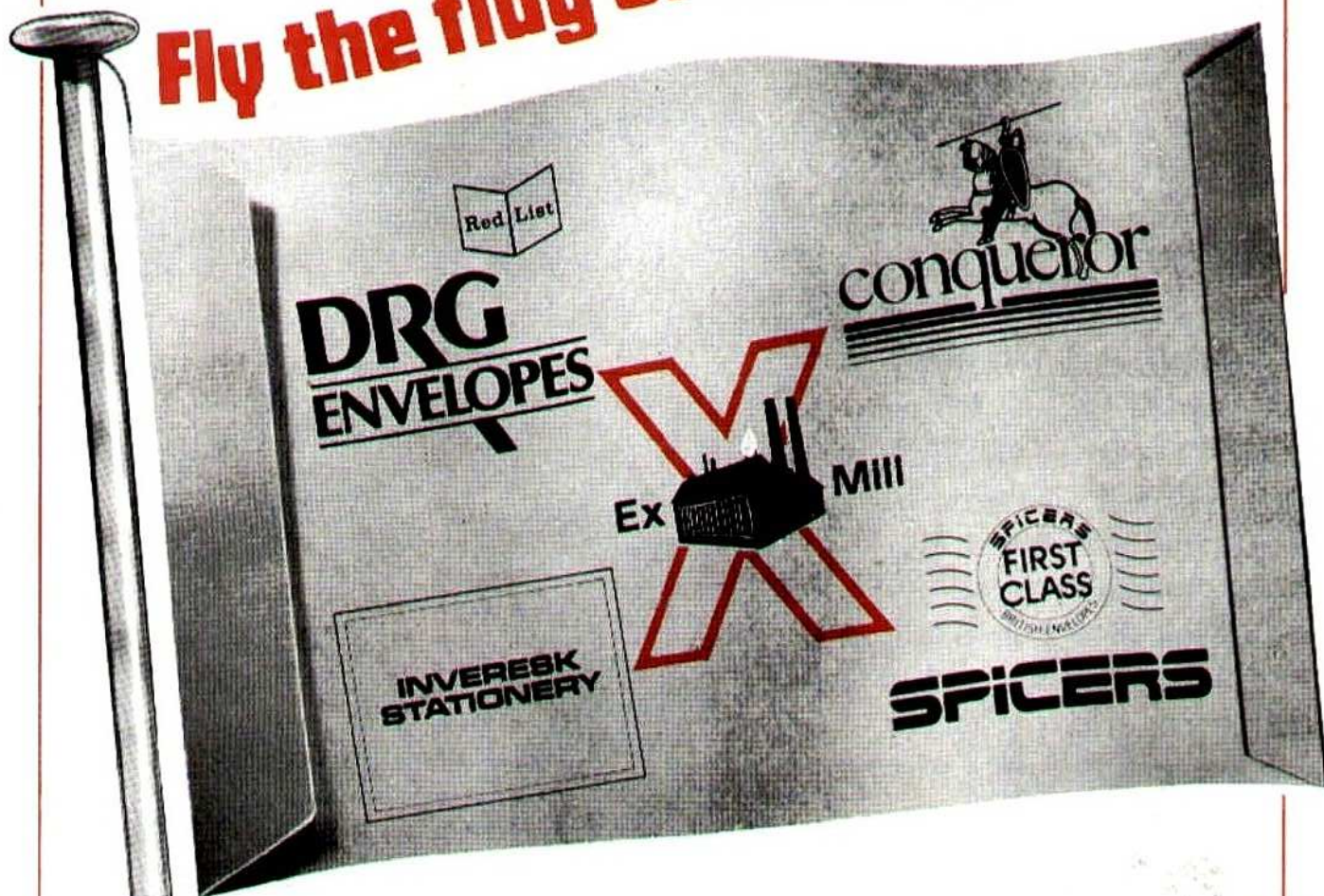
CHAIR

associations between the two Clubs and in particular Kerr, Glover and Poole joining us from Aston Villa with Lee Turnbull going in the opposite direction. We look forward to two very attractive games. On Tuesday night at Crystal Palace we played as well throughout the match as we have at any stage this Season and yet came away from Selhurst Park with nothing to show for our efforts. As I commented to the players after the match it was a match that possibly just slipped away from us. Whilst being disappointed there was a great deal in our favour to gain from the match itself. We shall endeavour to try to put together a string of unbeaten games as we did last season and we hope by playing well today and with a bit of good fortune we can start the ball rolling.

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CAPTAIN'S CORNER

We gladly accepted three points on Saturday against Oldham as a reward for patience and competing right through ninety minutes. Oldham were a well organised side who only just missed out on promotion to the 1st division last season and again showed us how we have to battle in order to maintain our progress.

After having such a good result on Saturday it was even more disappointing to be on the wrong end of a 3-1 result. After levelling the scores and thinking perhaps we could take more than one point back home, luck deserted us when a more than dubious offside decision went against us, enabling Bright to put Palace 2-1 in front. A superb individual piece of skill by Palace's Ian Wright set up Bright's second, and virtually closed the door on any Boro fight back.

However, today's home game against Swindon gives us a chance to climb back up the table although we know it won't be easy, having shared the spoils in last seasons tussles. Each team having won the home game means we will have to concentrate for the full ninety minutes in order to take three points. So keep cheering us on and we will always give you 100%.

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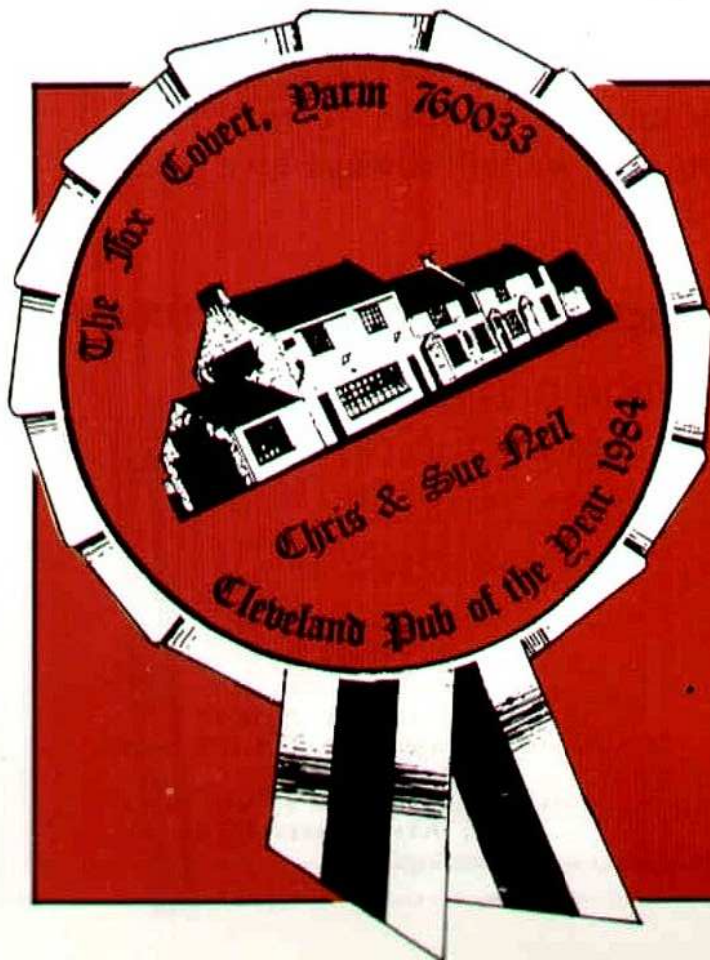


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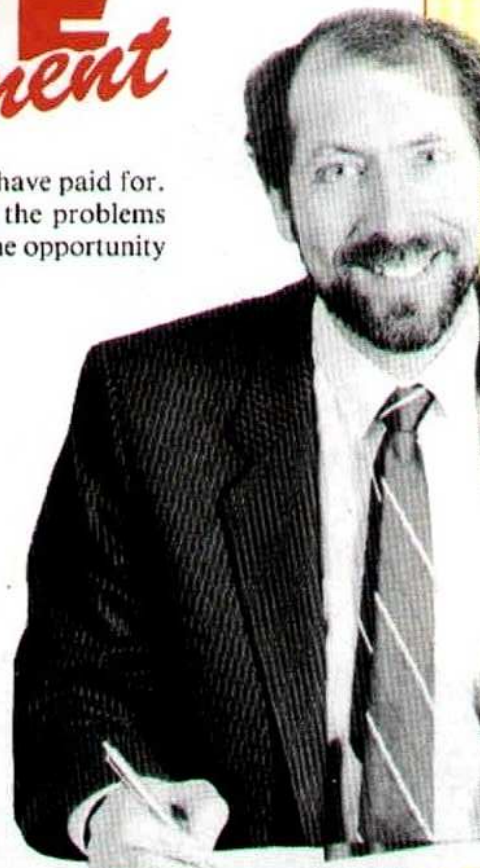
Carrying on from Saturday's notes we are endeavouring to find ways and means of ensuring all our genuine supporters receive the facilities they have paid for. The whole of Middlesbrough Football Club is attempting to resolve the problems highlighted over the past few weeks, after-match post mortems give us the opportunity to discuss the best way to achieve these aims.

The membership scheme imposed upon us by the Government has made it very difficult for the casual visitor to visit Ayresome Park. We are therefore grateful that the attendances so far have been up to expectations. We would ask you to continue to bear with us in the difficulties in administering this scheme, and continue to support us as you have done so far.

The tremendous progress made so far has been due largely to the success achieved on the playing field, which has enabled the new board of Management to direct a good proportion of the revenue generated to improving the standard of the ground and the facilities within.

We can assure you we will continue to strive to be successful both on and off the field.

KEITH LAMB (Chief Executive)



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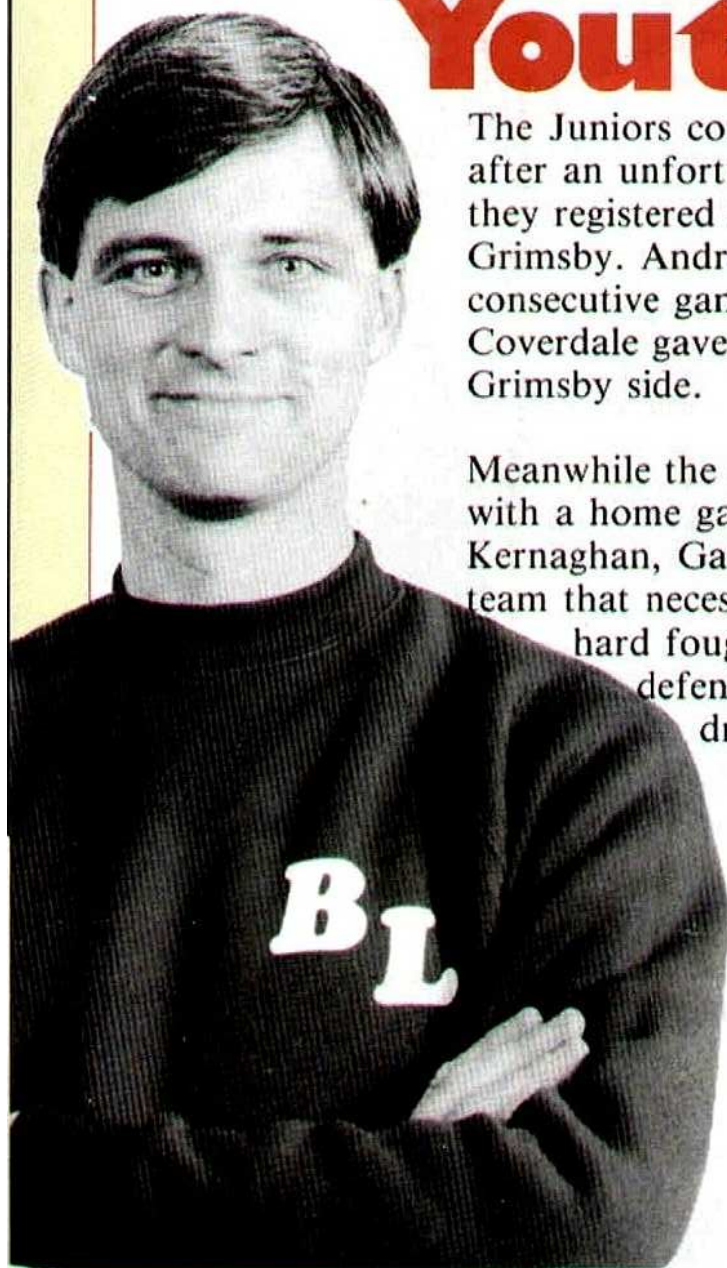
Reserve and Youth Teams

The Juniors continued with their steady progress after an unfortunate defeat and a creditable draw they registered their first win of the season at Grimsby. Andrew Fletcher scored for the third consecutive game and a brilliant solo effort by Drew Coverdale gave the Juniors victory against a strong Grimsby side.

Meanwhile the reserve side started their campaign with a home game against Rotherham. Alan Kernaghan, Gary Gill and Paul Proudlock gave the team that necessary ingredient of experience and in a hard fought contest the Rotherham side defended well and held out for a goal-less draw.

For their second game of the season the Reserves travelled to our neighbours Darlington. The addition of newly signed Kevin Poole in goal was the only change to the previous team. Two goals by Alan Kernaghan gave the Reserves a fine victory and once again the defensive performance was outstanding.

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nd DIVISION ROUND-UP



The arrival of Brazilian star, Mirandinha, has revived memories of when Middlesbrough tried to sign a talented South American forward. Rene Houseman, of Argentina, was the player.

John Neal, Middlesbrough's manager at the time, opened negotiations for Houseman after he played in the World Cup. Houseman appeared at Ayresome Park, but not in the Boro's colours. He turned out in a "friendly" for his club. Few people are aware that the game against the Boro' could have been called off at the 11th hour. Assistant manager Harold Shepherdson saved the day for Middlesbrough - and thousands of fans.

Shepherdson was at Heathrow when Houseman's team arrived from a European tour. Harold was there to greet the players and officials, and escort them to Teesside Airport. The Argentinian players arrived under the impression that Middlesbrough was in the London area. It was a shock when told they had to board another plane. Shepherdson is convinced, to this day, that Houseman and his team-mates would have stayed in London but for the fact he was on the spot to "persuade" them to catch the plane.

Neal had talks with Houseman after the game. Through an interpreter, the player said he was interested in a move to England. No deal was signed. Talks were described as "encouraging", but there was a big question mark over whether the transfer would go through. The all-powerful president of Houseman's club had stayed behind in Paris! A few weeks later, Reuter's Press Agency reported ... "Houseman has been offered an improved pay deal and has signed again for his club." At least the Boro' got him a rise!

The latest edition of Rothman's Football of the Year Book is, once again, an excellent players' reference manual. Yet it is sadly out of date in relation to Middlesbrough's directors, officials and backroom staff. The football "bible" has the wrong president, chairman, vice chairman, secretary, commercial manager, coach and physiotherapist. On top of that, four of the listed directors are no longer with the club. Middlesbrough made the changes over a year ago!

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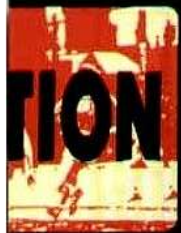
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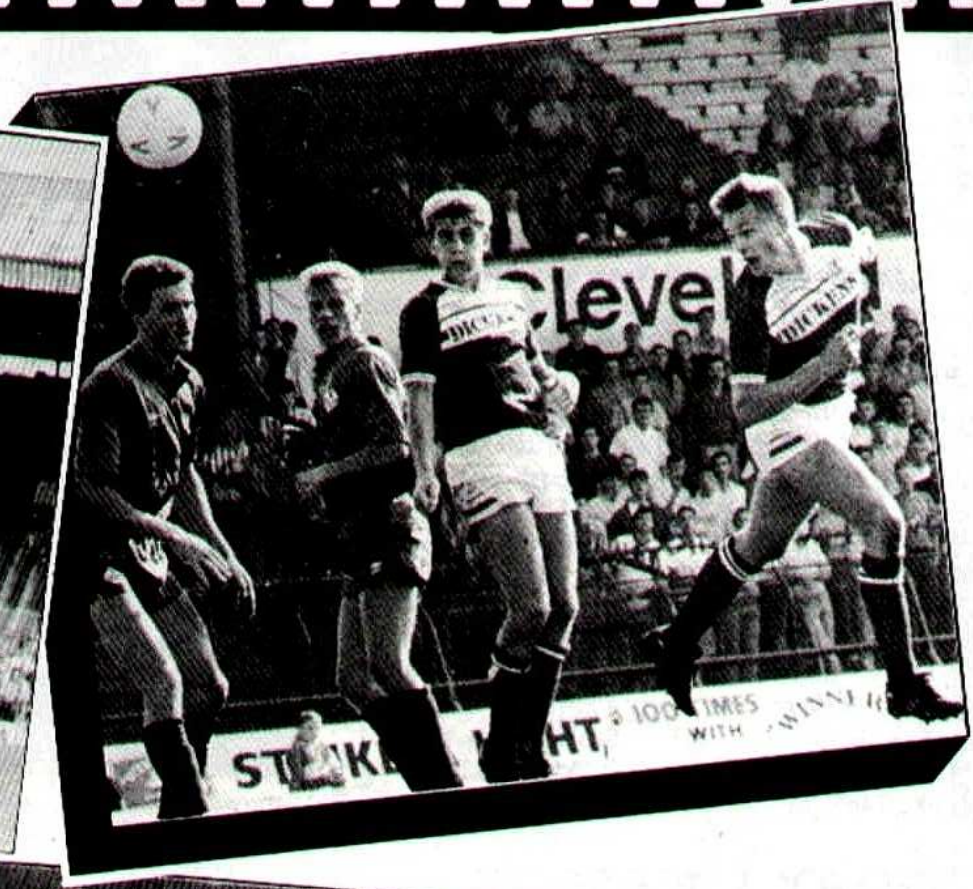
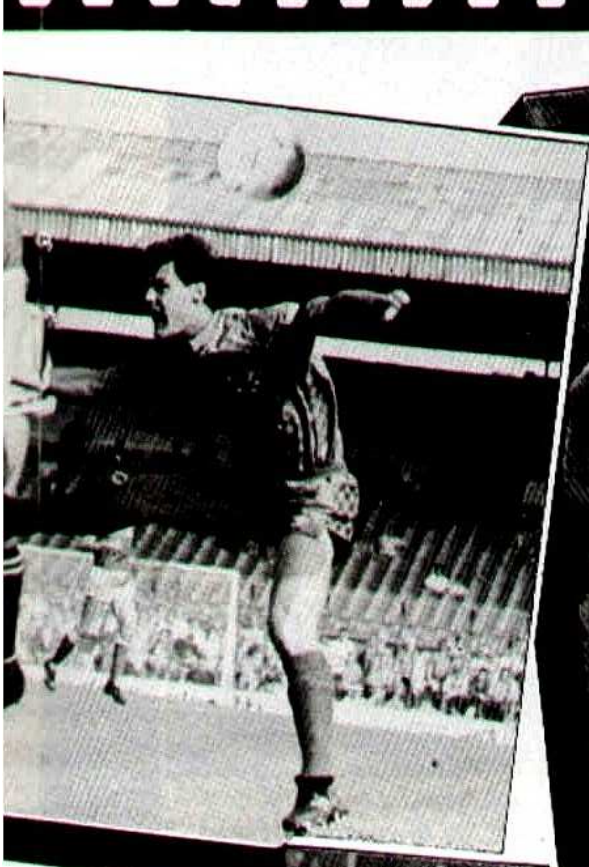
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Above: Pallister has Keeley at full stretch. Above left: Archie taking a tumble after a sliding tackle by Andy Linighan. Above right: Alan Kernaghan goes for goal replacing Stuart Ripley.

Left: Tony Mowbray tests the Oldham defence with Cooper and Steptoe looking on. Right: Bernie has a strong goal with Paul Kerr in close attendance.



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TODAY'S MASCOT

Today's Mascot is Paul Flint whose favourite player is Bernie Slaven. Paul is nine years old.

TODAY'S BALLBOYS

Today's Ballboys are Kader YCC Under 13 squad.

MIDDLESBROUGH F.C. TEAM PHOTOGRAPHS

The first phase of our new functional suites is almost complete and part of the decor includes a number of team photographs which have players not yet identified. Can you help? If you are in the function suite area and can identify anyone, please contact any of the Middlesbrough officials who will be pleased to make a note of the name. Also we would be grateful for any team photographs with captions pre-1960/61 to complete our collection. If you can help please contact Alan Murray on 826664.



Saturday's mascot v. Oldham, Andrew Patterson, with his favourite player Stephen Pears.

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School Spot

IN THE SPOTLIGHT ... Redbrook Primary School Stockton



League Champions Redbrook Primary. Pictured with their teacher, Mr. Graham Thirlaway, are: (Back Row left to right): Shaun Marston, Darren Smith, Christopher Felstead, Lee Harbron, Paul Wood, Martin Pugh, Philip Trotter (Centre): Gavin Tucker, Stewart Taylor, Derek Wilson, Richard Marshall, David Cuthbert, Conrad Wild, Stephen Aithwaite (Front): Stuart Allen, Matthew Adams, Daniel Birchall, Stephen Keogh, Christopher Allison.

Speak about soccer with Redbrook School Deputy Head Graham Thirlaway and you are discussing Britain's favourite game with a real enthusiast! By accident of birth he is a Sunderland supporter, but he is also a north-easterner who takes a keen interest in the well-being of football in the whole of the area. He tells us that he has a friend called Albert who is adamant that the best footballer he has ever seen is Colin Todd, ex-England international and currently Boro first team coach - so there is a clear Boro connection too!

Colin's first year at the Boro ended in success and perhaps he provided the inspiration for Mr. Thirlaway who, after 13 years

in charge of the Redbrook football team, has at last produced a set of champions! His lads had a tremendously exciting unbeaten run to clinch the Stockton and Thornaby Small Schools League - they were told to go out and play by doing the simple things well, never to moan at team-mates and not to complain when decisions went against them. When the going got tough Redbrook got going and, in the face of inevitable defeats in cup matches against bigger schools, the boys retained their cheerful and sporting attitudes.

Tall goalkeeper Christopher Felstead came on in leaps and bounds, whereas back-four specialists Stuart Allan, Shaun Marston, Gavin Tucker and Daniel Birchall were thunder-booted heroes in the best Wimbledon tradition. Titch, Dekka and Cuffy - Richard Marshall, Derek Wilson and David Cuthbert - provided a strong midfield engine room and among those who worked hard along the wings to provide quality crosses and goals were Christopher Allison, Matthew Adams and Martin Pugh. Then, in the centre of the attack there was the Little and Large Show - the strapping spiky ginger-haired Darren Smith spreading confusion and scoring goals, and the diminutive Stephen Keogh proving his strength and class by consistently snapping up half chances! Behind every good team is a squad of eager-beaver subs, and Redbrook boys Stewart Taylor, Philip Trotter, Conrad Wild, Stephen Aithwaite, Lee Harbron and the mighty Paul Wood all played their part.

Among the many parents who contributed to the team's success were Dave and Frank Keogh who provided transport and Mr. Adams whose expertise with the camera and sheer enthusiasm for football helped the lads along - and then, of course, there were the mums who raised the cash for the best set of football shirts the school has ever had! Yes, Redbrook Primary provides plenty of proof that soccer really is at the heart of the community - and we're hoping to hear again from this friendly school later this season.

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Soon to appear on this page - the first school from Eaglescliffe to be included in School Spot. We would like to feature your school too - teachers should contact Alan Murray at Ayresome Park (Tel. 826664).



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JUNIOR REDS



Hello again. Firstly this week I would like to apologise most sincerely to anybody who has been inconvenienced by some of the teething troubles which have been encountered in the opening of the Junior Reds enclosure. I have had one or two phone calls from people who have expressed dissatisfaction with the opening games of the season (off the pitch) and quite rightly so. I would like to take this opportunity to apologise on behalf of Middlesbrough Football club for the inconvenience suffered and point out we are doing everything in our power to ensure there will be no repeat.

The Junior Reds meetings really got into full swing this week and here are the dates for your particular branch; REDCAR Thursday 10th - 7.00-8.30 Youth Club; MIDDLESBROUGH Wednesday 16th - 6.30-8.30 Ayresome Park. The dates for our Stokesley and Yarm branch meetings will be announced in the match programme when we entertain Bournemouth on the 15th of September. Our Hinderwell members are in for a treat tomorrow providing the weather stays fine. Their first meeting of the season is to be held in the great outdoors - nothing like a lungfull of fresh North Yorkshire air to get you going - and as an added attraction there will be a barbeque. Now for Alastair and myself the food should really be home from home for our respective wives seem to burn more cakes than King Alfred so a few charcoaled burgers and sausages should not come amiss! Don't forget the Middlesbrough and Redcar branch meetings will be hosting exhibition table top subbuteo football matches with Bruce Hillerby and his son Andrew who as we mentioned in last Saturdays programme recently finished second in the European championships. There will be the chance for our Junior Reds to try their hand and see just how good they are at subbuteo. Apart from the subbuteo exhibitions there will be a training session at each of the two meetings with Brian Laws taking Middlesbrough's and Tony Mowbray that of Redcar. Refreshments will be available at both venues. Here now the answers to the quiz which was set in the programme when we played Sunderland recently; 1. Paul Kerr, Dean Glover, Kevin Poole. 2. Archie Stephens, Holgate End. 3. Scarborough. 4. Portsmouth. 5. Sheffield Wednesday.

And now the answers to the quiz which appeared in the Oldham Athletic programme last Saturday: 1. Man. Utd., Celtic. 2. Q.P.R. 3. Scarborough. 4. Aberdeen/Celtic. 5. Sheffield Wednesday.

Here now this weeks quiz the prize for which will be a pair of seat tickets for a Boro game: 1. Which Scottish premier league team play their home matches at Tynecastle? 2. Unscramble the following to reveal a third division football club FIRLEEDSSCHTEE. 3. Which river flows through Berwick? 4. How many times are Boro due to play Aston Villa this season? 5. Which song has Rick Astley taken to number one in the charts?

Answers and indeed any correspondence to either Alastair or myself at the addresses at the foot of the page.

See you soon.

Up the Boro.

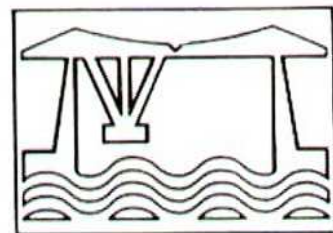
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MIDDLESBROUGH: Jim Platt, John Craggs, Terry Cooper, Graeme Souness, Stuart Boam (capt), Tony McAndrew, John Mahoney, David Mills, Billy Ashcroft, Peter Brine (Ian Bailey 73), David Armstrong.

BIRMINGHAM CITY: Jimmy Montgomery, Mick Rathbone, Gary Pendrey, Tony Towers, Ricky Sbragia, Tony Want, Kevin Broadhurst, Trevor Francis, Keith Bertschin, Kenny Hibbitt, Gary Emanuel. Subs: Roy McDonough

20 YEARS AGO By early September 1967 a better points return had been expected by the Ayresome Park faithfuls as their Boro favourites had home advantage in three of the four opening League games of 1967/68 season. We failed to win any of the three games the sequence of results showing 0-2, 1-1 and 0-0 - yet despite these setbacks the average attendance for the three games was 25,162 - the highest in Division 2. In attempt to find a winning team Boro manager Stan Anderson had not fielded the same side for any of Boro's four league games, and several positional changes were effected for the visit to Bristol City's Ashton Gate ground on Tuesday 5th September 1967. The inability to convert scoring chances into actual goals continued that night but we took comfort in the fact that we returned northwards with at least a point. Wing half Ian Davidson was transferred to Darlington on this day in 1967 for a reported fee of £1500 where he became captain for his short stay on Skerneside. Ian came to us from Preston North End on 17th February 1965 for a £16,000 fee but found his appearances in a red shirt restricted to some 50 plus games. Ian had been contemplating a move to Durban United in South Africa when Darlington made their approach.

BRISTOL CITY: Mike Gibson, Trevor Jacobs, Alex Briggs, John Quigley, Jack Connor, Gordon Low, Ray Savino, Chris Crowe, Hugh McIlmoyle, Trevor Tainton, Roger Peters. Subs: Terry Bush

MIDDLESBROUGH: Des McPartland, Geoff Butler, Gordon Jones (capt), Bill Gates, Dicky Rooks, Billy Horner, Don Masson, John Hickton, John O'Rourke, Johnny Crossan, David Chadwick.

30 YEARS AGO Rotherham United had forced a 2-2 draw at Ayresome Park earlier in the season and the return fixture at Millmoor took place on 5th September 1957. United had reached this stage of the season with an unbeaten record whilst Boro were still trying to record their first win of the season, so a victory for Rotherham on their own turf was forecast that Thursday evening thirty seasons ago. Billy Day had contracted a bout of flu' and had to drop out of the team, but manager Bob Dennison welcomed the return of Lindy Delapenha, recovered from torn stomach muscles. Middlesbrough upset the form books and sent Rotherham tumbling to their first defeat by the margin of 4-1 and it was not a fluke result. Boro's sharpshooter centre-forward Brian Clough bagged a brace, with Derek McLean and Arthur Fitzsimons completing the scoring - Barry Webster replying for Rotherham.

ROTHERHAM UNITED: John Quairney, Peter Johnson, Roy Silman, Roy Lambert, Norman Noble, Ken Keyworth, Barry Webster, Roy Stephenson, Bobby Brown, Malcolm Stephens, Keith Bambridge.

MIDDLESBROUGH: Peter Taylor, Ray Bilcliff, Dicky Robinson, Bill Harris, Bryan Phillips, Ronnie Dicks, Lindy Delapenha, Derek McLean, Brian Clough, Arthur Fitzsimons, Ronnie Burbeck.

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BORO FACTS & F

Date & Opponents	Score	Gate	Pos.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
August										
15 Millwall	1-1	11,471	—	Pears	Glover	Cooper	Mowbray	Parkinson	Pallister	Slaven
19 Sunderland LC IR 1L	0-1	15,770	—	Pears	Glover	Cooper	Mowbray	Parkinson	Pallister*	Slaven
22 Stoke City	0-1	9,345	18th	Pears	Glover	Cooper	Mowbray	Parkinson	Pallister	Slaven
25 Sunderland LC IR 2L	2-0	15,570	—	Pears	Glover	Cooper	Mowbray●	Parkinson	Pallister	Slaven●
29 Oldham Athletic	1-0	10,551	15th	Pears	Glover	Cooper	Mowbray	Parkinson	Pallister	Slaven●
September										
1 Crystal Palace	1-3	6,671	15th	Pears	Gill	Cooper	Mowbray	Parkinson	Pallister	Slaven●
5 Swindon Town										
8 Aston Villa										
15 AFC Bournemouth										
19 Leeds United										
26 Blackburn Rovers										
29 Reading										
October										
3 Bradford City										
10 Huddersfield Town										
17 West Bromwich Albion										
20 Ipswich Town										
24 Birmingham City										
31 Shrewsbury Town										
November										
4 Manchester City										
7 Sheffield United										
14 Hull City										
21 Plymouth Argyle										
28 Barnsley										
December										
5 Leicester City										
12 Stoke City										
19 AFC Bournemouth										
26 Blackburn Rovers										
28 Leeds United										
January 1988										
1 Oldham Athletic										
9 (FA Cup Round 3)										
16 Millwall										
23 Crystal Palace										
30 (FA Cup Round 4)										
February										
6 Swindon Town										
13 Aston Villa										
20 Reading										
27 Bradford City										
March										
5 West Bromwich Albion										
12 Huddersfield Town										
19 Shrewsbury Town										
26 Birmingham City										
April										
2 Sheffield United										
4 Hull City										
9 Manchester City										
23 Ipswich Town										
30 Plymouth Argyle										
May										
2 Barnsley										
7 Leicester City										
14 FA CUP FINAL										
Home matches in heavy type										
* Player substituted										
● Goalscorer										



& FIGURES

HALF TIME SCORECHECK

6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Pallister Pallister* Pallister Pallister Pallister	Slaven Slaven Slaven Slaven Slaven	Stephens Stephens Stephens Stephens Stephens	Hamilton Hamilton* Hamilton Hamilton	Kerr Kerr Kerr* Kerr	Ripley Ripley Ripley Ripley Ripley*	Kernaghan-Proodlock Kernaghan-Proodlock Kernaghan-Gill Gill Kernaghan-Gill
Pallister	Slaven	Stephens	Hamilton	Kerr	Ripley	Kernaghan-Glover

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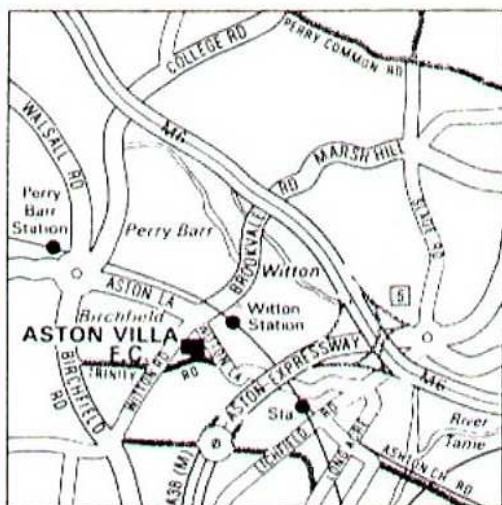
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Plymouth	5	3	1	1	9	3	10
Barnsley	5	3	1	1	7	6	10
Leeds	5	2	3	0	3	1	9
Birmingham	3	2	1	0	5	1	7
Bournemouth	4	2	1	1	5	3	7
Bradford	4	2	1	1	4	2	7
Hull	5	1	4	0	7	6	7
Swindon	4	2	1	1	4	3	7
Stoke	5	2	1	2	6	6	7
Ipswich	4	1	3	0	3	1	6
Man. City	3	1	2	0	4	3	5
Shrewsbury	3	1	2	0	1	0	5
Oldham	5	1	2	2	4	6	5
Millwall	3	1	1	1	4	3	4
Middlesbrough ..	3	1	1	1	2	2	4
Blackburn	4	1	1	2	6	7	4
Sheffield Utd. ...	4	1	0	3	3	5	3
Leicester	4	1	0	3	2	4	3
Crystal Palace ...	3	0	2	1	5	6	2
Aston Villa	4	0	2	2	3	6	2
Huddersfield	4	0	2	2	5	11	2
Reading	2	0	1	1	0	1	1
W.B.A.	4	0	1	3	2	6	1

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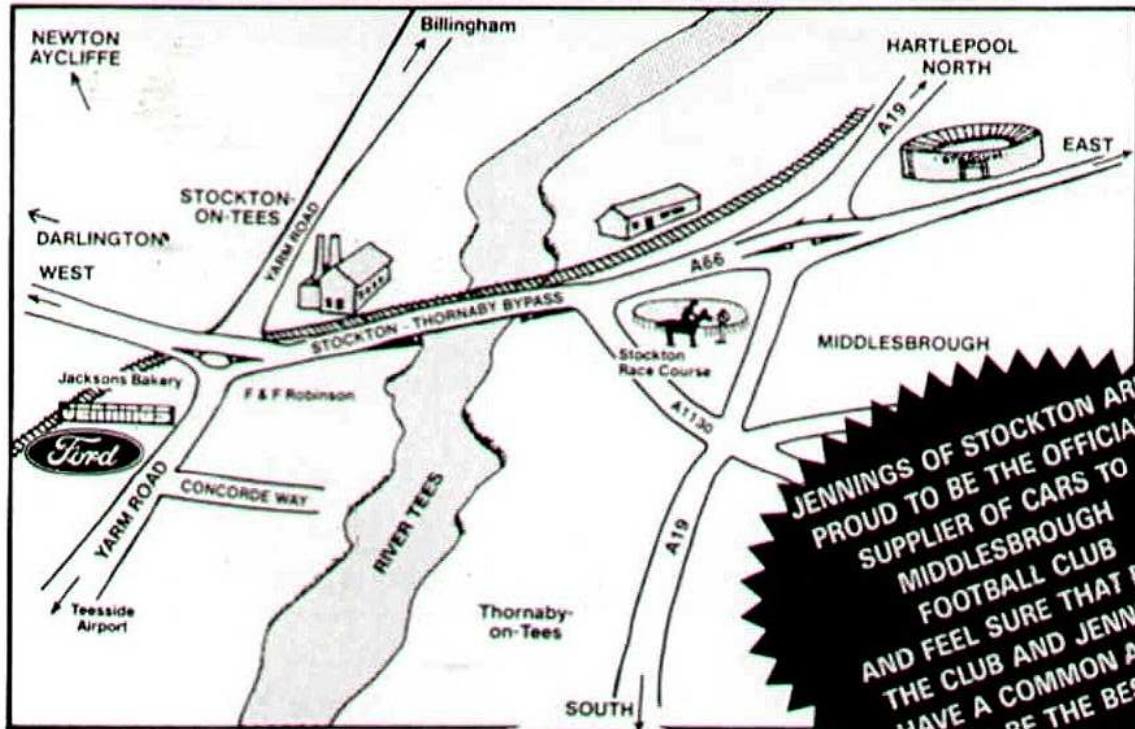
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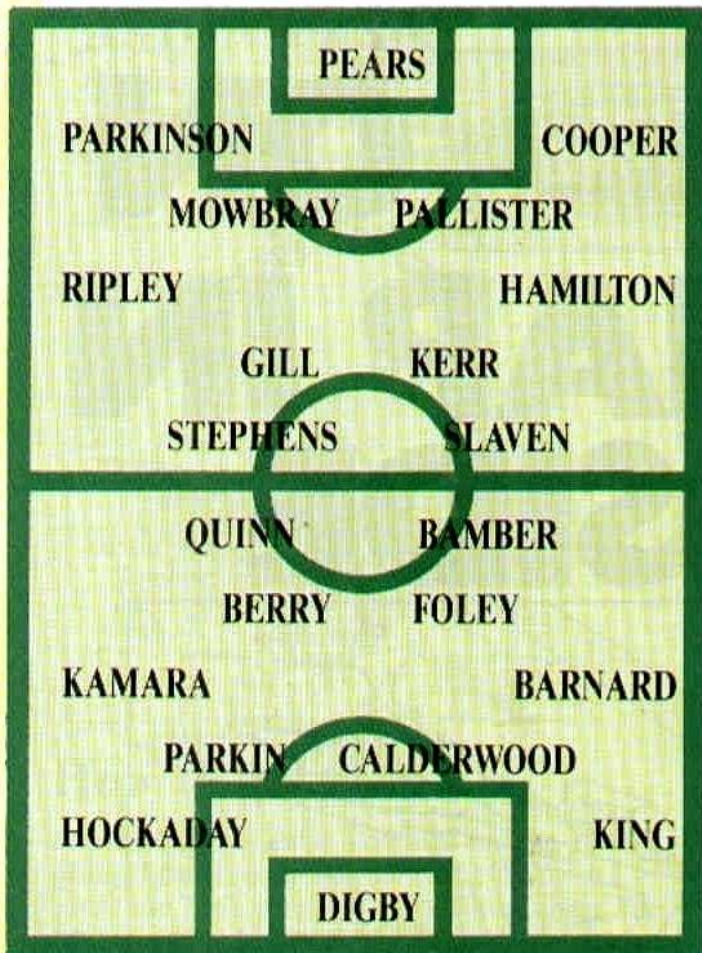
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