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People and events in the news at the County Ground

PETER JOINS CHARLIE AT THE 'SHOTS'

On the eve of the new season, unsettled **Peter Coyne** decided to accept a months loan period with Fourth Division **Aldershot**. The former Manchester United and Crewe Alexandra player linked up with former Town player **Charlie Henry**.



Peter is the only Town player to refuse terms for the new season. Although the former England Schoolboy star was hoping to return to the North of England, Aldershot were the only Football League Club to show any interest. Two Northern non-League Clubs had expressed an interest, **Northwich Victoria** and **Stalybridge Celtic**.

CAREER RECORD Football League

	App	Sub	Goals
Manchester United	1	1	1
Crewe Alexandra	113	21	47
Swindon Town	99	11	30

Football League Cup

Crewe Alexandra	4	1	1
Swindon Town	10	-	4

F.A. Cup

Crewe Alexandra	5	-	1
Swindon Town	4	1	1

CAN YOU HELP?

Can you help **Neil Duncanson** of 33 **Kingfisher Road, Upminster, Essex RM14 1ER**? Neil is attempting to locate past issues of programmes of previous decades.

1964-65 (August 25)

Swindon Town v Crystal Palace

1962-63 (February 2)

Swindon Town v Crystal Palace

1955-56 (December 26)

Swindon Town v Crystal Palace

This programme collector is willing to pay good prices for any of these issues. All replies to Neil directly please.

SON OF SWINDON

The **Stratton St Margaret Parish News** for **August** and **September** carried this message for our Manager **Ossie Ardiles** from the **Reverend Martin Howell**.

WELCOME OSSIE

As I write news has just come through that Swindon Town has appointed a new

football Manager, Argentinian international **Ossie Ardiles**. I am sure that he will soon become a popular figure in Swindon.

It is strange to think that only five years ago many would have thought of this amiable Argentinian as an enemy, because of the Falklands War. In fact, Ossie himself thought it wise to leave this country for a while, and play his football in France. Now all that is forgotten and Ossie will be welcomed as a friend.

It reminds me of a verse in the Bible where St Paul writes 'We were God's enemies, but he made us his friends through the death of his Son.'

Jesus makes it possible for us to change sides and become a friend of God. There is no reason why anyone should continue to feel estranged from God. He makes us his friends. We must carry on his work of making friends of people and not enemies. And if we have people whom we regard as enemies, we must ask God's help to make reconciliation.

The holy Spirit does more than make us God's friend, he actually transforms us into God's children. The Spirit makes you God's children and by the Spirit's power we cry out to God 'Father, my Father' (Romans 8.15). We become God's children when we accept his Son, Jesus Christ, as our Manager and friend.

And I hope we will quickly adopt **Ossie Ardiles** as a son of Swindon as well as a Manager.

THE REMAINING PRE-SEASON MATCH DETAILS

For those supporters who are collectors of **Swindon Town** statistics we include details of our remaining two pre-season fixtures.

On **Monday, August 19th** we defeated **Malmesbury Victoria 10-0**, away.

Team: 1. **Hammond** (Lovegrove in 75th minute), 2. **Spalding** (Hall in 45th minute), 3. **O'Driscoll** (Trollope in 45th minute), 4. **Barnard** (Murray in 44th minute), 5. **Viveash**, 6. **T. Jones** (Graham in 60th minute), 7. **Galvin** (Dixon in 45th minute), 8. **Summerbee**, 9. **Geddis**, 10. **Biley**, 11. **Hunt**.

Goalscorers: **Dixon (3)**, **Geddis (3)**, **Summerbee**, (2) **Biley** and **Trollope** one each.



• Liam Dixon



• David Geddis

• **Liam Dixon** and **David Geddis**, both scored hat-tricks in our convincing win at **Malmesbury**.

On **Tuesday, August 14th** we travelled to meet **Great Mills Western League, Frome Town**. The final result was a 7-0 victory.

Team: 1. **Hammond**, 2. **Barnard**, 3. **Bodin**, 4. **T. Jones**, 5. **Viveash**, 6. **Gittens**, 7. **Galvin** (O'Driscoll in 45th minute), 8. **Summerbee** (Ardiles in 65th minute), 9. **Geddis**, 10. **Maclaren**, 11. **Hunt** (Rowland in 65th minute).

Goalscorers: **Maclaren 2** (one penalty), **Geddis**, **Hunt**, **Jones**, **Rowland** one each. Own goal.

ALLIED COUNTIES YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Our fixtures in this competition commence tomorrow when we entertain **Reading** in a home fixture. May we remind our supporters that our home matches are played at **Hungerford Town F.C.** All matches kick-off at 7.30 p.m.

We have been notified of the following matches for **September** and early **October**.

Mon. Sep. 11th Wokingham Town Home

Mon. Sep. 25th Newbury Town Home

Wed. Oct. 4th Thatcham Town Away

League Challenge Cup

Wed. Oct. 11th Farnborough Town Away

ANDY'S DUAL CONNECTION!

Andy Rowland, our Club Coach, had a dual connection when he arranged a behind-closed-doors practice match with **Swindon Athletic F.C.** at the **County Ground** on **Monday August 21st** for our Reserve team. Andy has given coaching tips to the former **Penhill Club**. The result of this hastily arranged fixture was 5-2 in favour of the Town.

Team: 1. **Hammond** (Thompson in 70th minute), 2. **Barnard**, 3. **O'Driscoll**, 4. **T. Jones**, 5. **Bodin**, 6. **Viveash**, 7. **Tomlinson** (Graham in 70th minute), 8. **Cornwell**, 9. **Summerbee**, 10. **Hunt**, 11. **Galvin** (Dixon in 45th minute).

Goalscorers: **Summerbee 2**, **T. Jones 2**, **Hunt** one.

**WELCOME TO THE PLAYERS,
SUPPORTERS AND OFFICIALS
OF WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS**

REWARD FOR 30 YEARS SERVICE

The **Board of Directors** have granted the Town's long serving **John Trollope** a **Testimonial Year**. John, who has served the Club in most capacities, will be hoping to announce events during the coming year soon. John has yet to decide who he will approach to provide the opposition for his Testimonial match.



● John Trollope

**SWINDON TOWN
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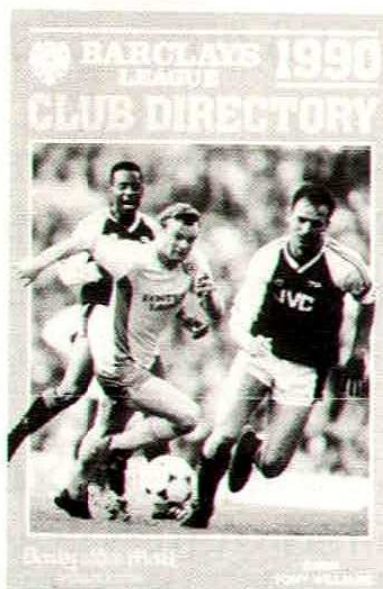
Swindon Town Football Club are once again sponsoring the Swindon Town Handicap Hurdle at Cheltenham Race Course, which is to be run at their meeting on Thursday, 5th October, 1989.

Cheltenham Race Course have made available the Festival Suite: this is a new room adjacent to the old National Hunt Room and at the end of the stand nearest the Royal Box. The room holds 100 people and North Stand season ticket holders who would like to go and use these facilities can purchase tickets, to include entrance to the ground, a buffet lunch and a race card, at a special price of £6 for Swindon Town season ticket holders only. Naturally, this is limited to 100 people.

Swindon Town Football Club will give a magnum of Champagne to the winning owner, trainer and jockey and £30 to the stable lad of the best turned out horse.

We should like to express our thanks to Mr. Ed Gillespie of Cheltenham Race Course for his help in arranging this day at the races.

THE PERFECT PRESENT



**MOST APPEARANCES:
JOHN TROLLOPE 753 + 3 (60-81)**

Year	League
60/61	44
61/62	46
62/63	46
63/64	42
64/65	42
65/66	46
66/67	46
67/68	46
68/69	19 + 1
69/70	42
70/71	39
71/72	42
72/73	34
73/74	36
74/75	46
75/76	46
76/77	35
77/78	40
78/79	16 + 2
79/80	-
80/81	14
753 + 3	

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Football League Cup

Winners: 1969

Semi-Finalists: 1980

Anglo Italian Cup

Winners: 1970

Football League Division Two

Play-Off Semi Finalists: 1989

Football League Division Three

Runners-Up: 1963, 1969

Play-Off Winners: 1987

Division Four

Champions: 1986 (with record 102 points)

F.A. Cup

Semi-Final: 1910, 1912

F.A. Charity Shield

Semi-Finalists: 1911

F.A. Youth Cup

Finalists: 1964

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A MINOR SETBACK... BUT
The result of the first match of the season against Sunderland was a setback, a minor setback but one where we can learn a lesson.

You can always learn more in defeat than in victory. It was one match in forty-six and when I reflected upon the game and result it was better that it happened immediately. Apart from the bookings and the result, I was quite happy.

CHIN UP, FITZ...

The loss of Fitzroy Simpson was a big factor. It is silly to dwell on an incident in hindsight. Fitz knows what is expected of him and after a chat with him I am sure he has learnt a bitter lesson.

At Oldham we ran the show for the first hour, applied our share of pressure and at 2-0 the match was ours. Of course it was eventually disappointing to be pegged back at 2-2. We played some good football at times and it would have been more disappointing if we had lost.

YOUTH MUST HAVE ITS FLING

The introduction of Fitzroy Simpson and then Nicky Summerbee last Saturday is part of the process of keeping a happy medium with players.

There must always be a gradual introduction of young players into any team. They represent the future and must be encouraged. The per-

There are some skilful players in England and I know from my Tottenham days that players like Chris Waddle and Glenn Hoddle measure up to anyone in the world. It is important to qualify for the World Cup Finals and it is important for the game in Britain that England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland always make progress.

THANK YOU

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone for the marvellous welcome I have received here at Swindon Town. You have all shown me that you care about this Club.

Every player and Manager always hopes that he will be well received and I am no different. It was satisfying and very encouraging for me. Thank you.

GOOD PEOPLE

In my few weeks at the County Ground I have been very impressed with the way in which all of the staff have approached their tasks. It is nice to walk into a Club and find people like 'Chic' Bates, Andy Rowland, John Trollope and Kevin Morris.

Swindon Town has a fine back-room staff and along with the playing staff we have here I am convinced that we shall eventually find ourselves among the leading ten to twelve Clubs in the Division that will vie for honours.

WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

Enjoy today's match. May I ask you to support the players as much as you can. I did say that you could be like the twelfth man and I could see from the Sunderland match that you can definitely be that.

Keep up the good work, we are all trying our best and will give you plenty of entertainment during the course of the season. We don't want too many setbacks and remember luck evens itself out over the course of a season.



Ossie Ardiles

It is now my job to build up his confidence. Fitzroy has a lot of promise and if he maintains his current progress he will become a more than useful player.

CREATING CHANCES

I always measure performances by the number of chances we create. That is in defeat as well as victory. On reflection we did make opportunities against Sunderland. We repeated this against Oldham Athletic.

fect balance is introducing young players at the right time.

Everyone likes to see evolution and providing young players show progress and maintain a level of consistency I will give them an opportunity.

BEST WISHES FOR ENGLAND

The World Cup programme resumes its Qualifying matches next week and I would like to wish England well in their match in Sweden.

Swindon Supporters in London Association sponsor Ossie Ardiles' kit.

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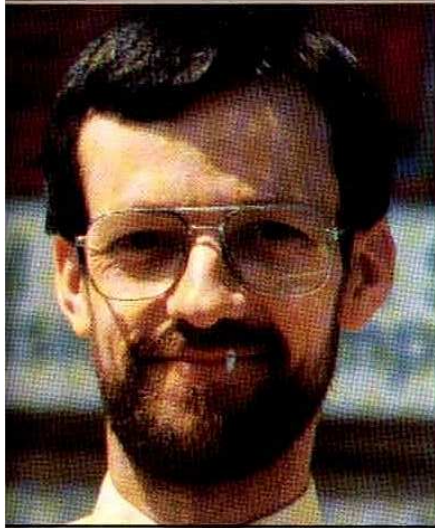
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Paul Plowman

Paul Plowman searches his extensive statistical library to give you details of when we have met today's opponents.

REDUCED TO SEVEN!

With the arrival of Wolves today, only eight clubs have still to make an appearance here as Football League opponents. West Ham will reduce that number in February, leaving only Arsenal, Everton, Liverpool, Manchester United, Tottenham and newcomers Scarborough and Maidstone.

Wolves have opposed Swindon on five occasions in Cup competitions, four of those confrontations being in the Football League Cup, as it was known prior to sponsorship. The semi-final clashes of 1979/80 will be remembered long after the Second Round meetings of four years earlier, although both ties ended in similar fashion - an odd-goal defeat for the Town.

WOLVES LAST VISIT

When Wolves were visitors on September 9 1975, they had not won away for almost a year. Hopes

were high therefore, when Swindon took the lead after only ten minutes. Northern Ireland International Trevor Anderson crossed from the left for Wolves old boy Peter Eastoe (see separate feature) to head down towards the bottom corner of the net. Keeper Gary Pierce seemed to have the situation covered, but defender John McAlle intervened with an ill-timed foot and Pierce was beaten. 'My goal!', cried Peter. 'Own goal!', claimed Wolves boss Bill McGarry. It mattered not, the score was 1-0 and seven minutes before half-time, it was 2-0. Pierce could only parry a fearsome volley from David Moss and John Trollope applied the finishing touch with his right foot. The warning signs were evident after the break, however, when Town keeper Jim Barron - with Wolves from 1961 to 1965 - had to produce some fine saves to keep the visitors out. As the First Division side piled on the pressure, it looked as though luck might favour Swindon when defender Colin Prohett kicked a Kenny Hibbitt shot off the line in the 70th minute. But the ball fell to Alan Sunderland and the Town's lead was suddenly reduced. That lead evaporated altogether three minutes from time. Swindon's defence was completely bamboozled by a Bailey-Munro free-kick and John Richards sneaked an equaliser.

THE REPLAY

For the replay at Molineux a fortnight later, the Town were without the injured Barron, Jimmy Allan taking his place. At the interval, they led by a Moss goal, but Wolves stormed in front with Sunderland, Richards and Hibbitt netting. Scarcely a minute after the third goal, Eastoe kept the crowd on tenderhooks by heading home an Anderson cross, to make it 3-2.

SNOW... A BRIEF INTERLUDE

The scheduled date for the semi-final first leg meeting in 1979/80 was January 15, but on that day the County Ground was covered in snow and the game was postponed seven days.

Again, Swindon took the lead.

The 13th minute proved unlucky for Wolves when Chris Kamara waltzed past three defenders and planted a cross onto the head of Andy Rowland, who duly netted for the 21st time that season. Not to be outdone his partner up front, little Alan Mayes, snatched a dramatic 88th minute goal to give the Town a slender 2-1 lead to take to Molineux for the second leg. Peter Daniel had replied for Wolves.

And so the stage was set for Swindon Town to attempt a return to the twin towers where they had enjoyed their finest 'hour' eleven years earlier.

UNLUCKY TUCKER

Swindon's centre-half that night, Billy Tucker, is probably still wondering how he didn't get on the scoresheet! On the half-hour a Brian Williams corner was flicked on by Andy Rowland and Tucker's downward header found the net. Referee Neil Midgley not only disallowed the effort, but waved away claims that the defender had been pushed in the process. Luck turned against Tucker again in the 54th minute when a shot was kicked off the line. It was a severe blow to the Town, who had just gone behind to a Richards goal. And a second shock awaited them only five minutes later. Mel Eves collected a throw-in and floated a high cross into the far top corner, over the despairing hand of Jimmy Allan.

A DEVASTATING BLOW

The next blow was delivered to Alan Mayes, who suffered a gashed mouth in a collision with keeper Paul Bradshaw. While he was off the field receiving attention, Ray McHale slotted home the penalty to put Swindon level on aggregate at 3-3. The drama continued as McHale saw an acute-angled shot cleared off the line by Derek Parkin in the 69th minute.

The irony was complete just four minutes later when Parkin fired in a shot. The ball bounced off Allan to the waiting Richards and out went the Town.

Wolves went on to lift the trophy - as they had done following their first victory over Swindon Town, 2-0 in the F.A. Cup, back in 1908.

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WE STILL CREATED CHANCES! Our first match of the season was an obvious disappointment. It did not help matters when Fitzroy Simpson was sent off, if only for the simple fact that we had been playing with two wide players in pre-season games.

Suddenly we were left with one. Despite the fact that we were reduced to ten men we still created chances to at least have saved a point. We battled hard and the only grain of comfort we gleaned from the defeat was the fact that we still created more than enough chances to have won.

GOOD AND BAD

It was an unfortunate start for our new boss. We all wanted to get off to a good start, I am sure Oddie did in particular. The boss managed to be constructive about a situation that must have affected him probably as much as you and I.

The boss told us that he had noticed several good things about our play. He also stressed that he was able to see more in a defeat than if we had actually won the game. Several mistakes need to be worked upon.

DISAPPOINTING NOT TO HAVE WON

The match at Oldham Athletic must go down as another disappointment. We were two goals clear with half an hour to go and we allowed Oldham to come back from the dead.

I believe that a one goal lead away from home should be defended as if your life depended upon it. All we had to do with a two goal lead was play keep ball. Once they had scored they woke their crowd up and received all the encouragement required to equalise and they could have won the match near the end. We were certainly under pressure for the last half an hour.

YOUTH IS BEING ENCOURAGED

It must be encouraging for the young players here at the County Ground to see Fitzroy Simpson in the team followed by Nicky Summerbee's inclusion as one of the substitutes at Oldham.

Nick has shown a lot of potential in pre-season matches and his endeavour is paying off. It is not as if either of them were included in two end of the season matches. They are both in with a chance from the off and I am sure several of the youngsters here will be thinking that it Fitz and Nick can do it, why not me?

MEETING LOU MACARI

I suppose everyone is looking forward to next Saturday's visit to West Ham United. We will certainly be keen to do well, especially with our ex-Manager Lou Macari in charge of them.

Lou Macari will be all out to prove he has better players now he is at West Ham. He will be geeing them up telling them they are more skilful. I can hear his words now.

Colin Calderwood



"Put them under pressure. Straight from Fraser Digby's throw outs." Lou Macari will be telling them to keep at us and expect a physical battle. This is one game he will want to win badly despite the fact he will tell the media it is the same as any other match!

BANKERS FOR YOUR COUPONS?

Once the Second Division settles down, I believe we shall see a lot of drawn matches. There will be little to choose between teams. You do not have to be an expert to expect Newcastle United or Leeds United to be strong teams at home. Their support will help to guarantee that.

A run of four or five wins will always carry a team well up the League table, we proved that in the second half of last season. It is important that we reproduce a similar run in the early part of this season and establish ourselves in the top half of the League table.

WILL WINTER

FIND OUT THE HAMMERS?

Returning to the match at West Ham next week, it is interesting to see that Lou Macari is persisting with players of small physical build at Upton Park.

Mark Ward and Stuart Slater are slight. The loss of Frank McAvennie meant a recall for the previously unpopular David Kelly. David has spent two or three seasons in the lower divisions and is an able deputy at this level. Interesting to see what they achieve on the wetter grounds of winter, although Leroy Rosenoir will be back by then from injury. See you at Upton Park? You should not miss this one.

FULL NUMBERS SOON

We made a start to this season without the experience of Steve Foley, Jon Gittens and Tommy Jones. Few teams can afford to be without this type of player.

Today will see both Jon Gittens and Tommy Jones in contention for a place in the squad. Steve Foley is still a few weeks away from a recall. When they are all fit with the emergence of youth we shall have a more than useful squad here at the County Ground.

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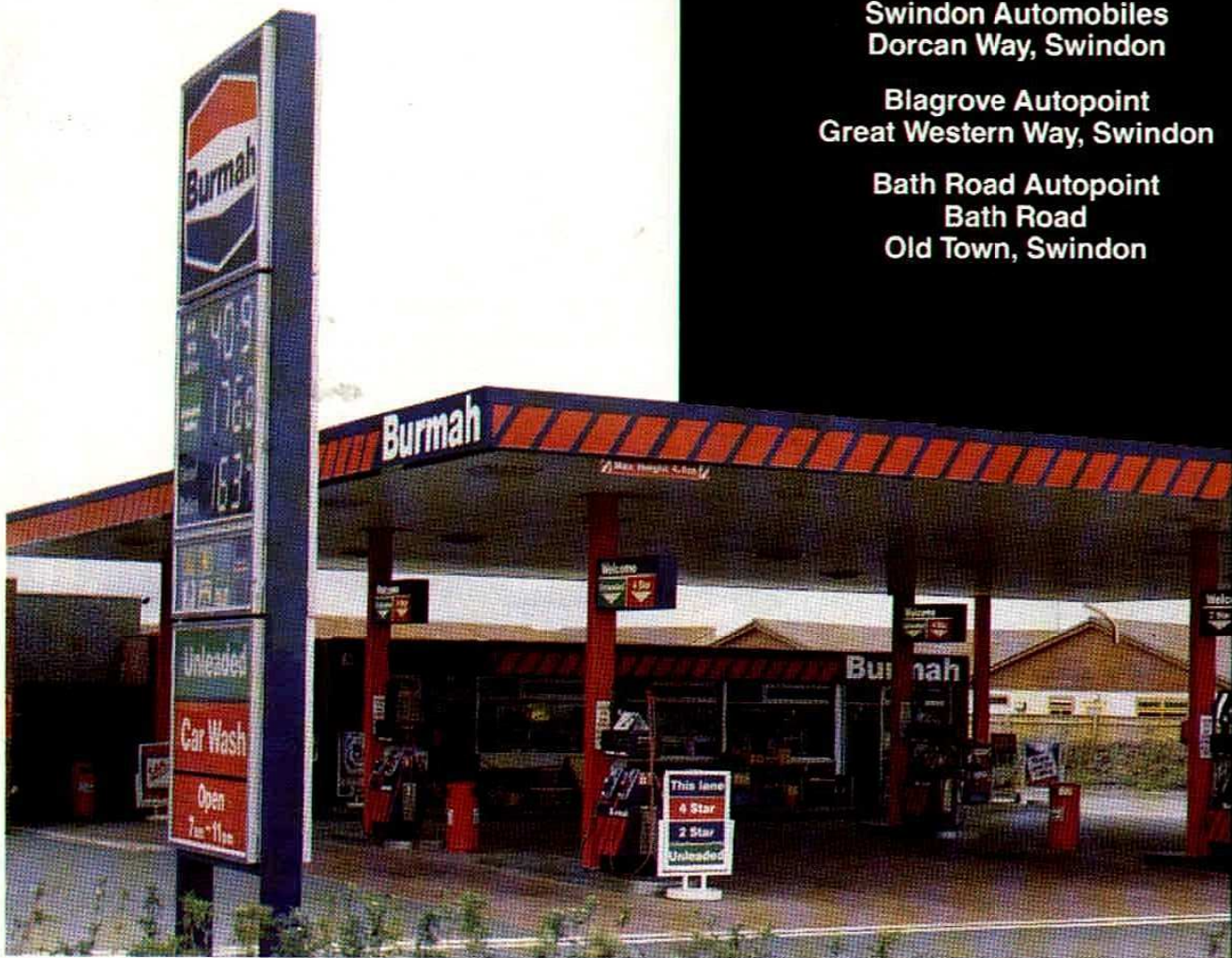
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TIME BOMB

Give a man enough rope, the saying goes and our first home game of the season gave us an awful example of it. In spite of his dismissal for the most unnecessary offence - dissent, it was difficult not to feel great sympathy for Fitzroy Simpson, as he fell victim to a star making campaign which made great play of his undoubted skills and importance to the side, but failed to consider his age and inexperience.

To focus on one player as the centrepiece of our change in style and put the responsibility for our emphasis on skill on to the shoulders of a 19 year old without a fully developed temperament, gave the 'Town' a problem waiting to explode.

A calmer transition into the role of first team regular without the unnecessary hype would probably have brought a calmer response rather than one of a prima donna. With all that said, a quiet word from one of our more experienced players following his first booking may have prevented his sending off, given that they must have recognised that yet again we had been blessed with a woefully inconsistent referee whose idea of control was brandishing the yellow card at every opportunity.

All in all, the Sunderland game can be filed, along with the Palace play-off second leg, under unmitigated disasters. Thankfully one game doesn't make a season, but hopefully our loss of vision and discipline is only a temporary measure. Sunderland were very average, but we were worse.

DISAPPOINTING

Last Saturday's game at Oldham brought more disappointment as a two goal lead could only be converted into one point by the final whistle. At least we are now off the mark and have survived our only League game of the season on that soon to be illegal 'surface'.

WHO ARE THEY?

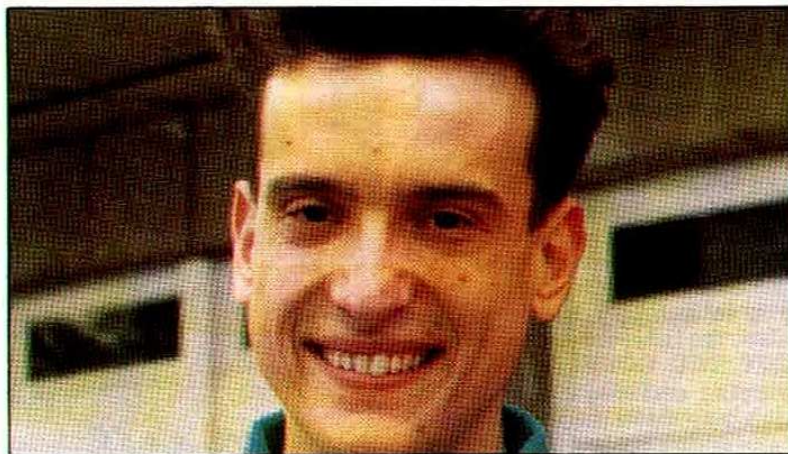
By the time of this afternoon's game, the mysterious bid for ownership of Swindon Town may at last have some facts to back it up. At the

time of writing, the saga has had plenty of rumour but not much substance, with no backers known or plans outlined. On the basis of this extensive and detailed information, the 'Adver' opened two 'bid hotlines' to get their readers opinions on the unknown quantity facing the club. I am sure the results will be known by now, and very interesting too, but a third hotline may have been an idea, as the only answer to their question 'would you like to see Swindon Town taken over by a group led by Carol Embrey?' appears to be 'Don't know'. With the facts that were known when the phone in was announced, the bid could have been

and Chairman of Blackburn Rovers, Bill Fox, also had a rough time with his edginess not helping an overall image of someone who is not quite sure what he's doing. It would have been nice to hear him promise to remove his Club's Vice President from office if the ID card bill goes through. Football can do without Margaret Thatcher as a figurehead of one of its football clubs.

BEN AND 'VINNY'

Another appearance on TV by a footballer cannot go unmentioned, Vinny Jones' eloquent performance



by **Michael Scott**

a few hundred quid. It would be nice to think the Michael Knighton would come in with a counter bid, but he obviously feels that gambling his millions with other Chairman on who can keep the ball in the air the longest is a better investment.

NOT 'FOXY' ENOUGH!

Channel 4's recent debate on football provoked many questions, but as usual few answers on the games many problems. Our own Tony Galvin managed to have a question sidestepped by the quivering Tory MP in the hot seat who gave an almost perfect 'Colin Moynihan' display of being economical with the truth. The new League President

on Wogan with Ben Elton, must have confirmed the general public's belief that footballers are as thick as their wallets. For once Ben's questioning was sympathetic and brief, but Vinny still managed to come across like Frank Bruno on valium. Leeds must have paid £650,000 for something, but beyond his name's pulling power, it's hard to see what. This afternoon's game brings the long awaited return of Wolves to the County Ground, thankfully minus whining Emlyn this time, we have a ten year old score to settle and or first win of the season to secure, hopefully we can achieve both and ensure that fewer cats are kicked in Swindon households tonight.

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A FACT MISSED?

While we were all naturally disappointed with the result of our first match of the season against Sunderland at the County Ground, a fact went unmentioned by the media. It was our first defeat of 1989 at home!

Our previous reverse was on December 31st of 1988 when Manchester City clinched the points with a 2-1 victory. The opening day defeat was a temporary setback. A week later we were able to take a point from our first away match of the season on the difficult surface at Oldham Athletic in a 2-2 draw.

PLEASE HELP GEOFF

Our groundsman, Geoff Warren, has asked me to appeal to all of you to please **KEEP OFF** the playing surface at the end of each game.

Geoff can witness hours, days and weeks of toil obliterated in seconds by thoughtless minds. It takes very few minutes to leave the ground in orderly fashion by the exit gates. May we appeal to you to not only help Geoff but also the players by **KEEPING OFF THE COUNTRY GROUND** playing surface. The final solution may mean we would have to take action against the offenders. A situation we are not seeking and neither, I am sure, are you. May I thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

WELL DONE NICK

The progress made by Fitzroy Simpson in particular and now by Nick Summerbee is an incentive for all the young players at the County Ground.

Fitzroy had the misfortune to be sent off in our match with Sunderland. A punishment that he readily acknowledges was his own fault and which he has told me will not re-occur. A small setback on what promises to be a promising season for this skilful player.

Nicky had every reason to remember Saturday August 26th, for it was not only his nineteenth birthday but he was also one of the nominated substitutes at Oldham Athletic. Two of several promising young players currently at the County Ground.



by Dave King

LILLESHALL

Lilleshall is probably more easily recognised as the home of the Football Association's school for young footballers. Actually there is more to soccer than the 90 minutes that the supporters witness. Expertise out of the public eye also wins matches.

The sports injuries unit was set up by the Football Association in 1986. Lilleshall protects the massive investment in players by treating the serious injuries similar to the one that Mark Jones suffered and which eventually developed into a long term injury.

A £250 a week course at Lilleshall incorporates intensive work in the gymnasium, specialist treatment from the physiotherapists, running, swimming and cycling.

Fractures, pelvic, rebuilt knees, back injuries and groin strains are all grist to the mill at Lilleshall. It will probably come as a surprise to you that there is an out-patients clinic in the evening where anyone can make an appointment.

While each Football League Club has its own physiotherapist he may find himself with half a dozen injuries to attend and maybe five of those have a chance to be fit for the following week's match. The remaining injury may be the longer term setback who needs help the most but finds himself at the back of the queue. It is then that the advantage of Lilleshall can be utilised.

HOLD YOUR BREATH!

Wiltshire County Council have advised the Club that if a **FORCE 8 wind is forecast for the day of any of our matches then we will have to postpone the game to a later date.**

We receive regular reports from Bristol Weather Centre on the day prior to all of our matches. Last season a forecast of a force 9 wind would have postponed our matches. This strange situation is due to the deterioration of the South Stand. It is intended that major work on this area of the County Ground will proceed next summer.

CONGRATULATIONS TONY

Congratulations are due to our close season signing Tony Galvin, who has been selected for the Republic of Ireland squad.

Eire team Manager Jack Charlton has included Tony for the Republic's squad for their friendly International versus the Federal Republic of Germany at Lansdowne Road, Dublin on Wednesday next, September 6th. The kick-off for this match is 5.30 p.m.

MARK - NOT FORGOTTEN!

For one Swindon Town player the past two seasons have been of anguish. The cheers and tumult of each matchday has been replaced by one of pain and loneliness.

Mark Jones has been battling to return to full fitness for two years and the National Rehabilitation Centre at Lilleshall has become a second home for the unfortunate former Oxford United midfield player. However, Mark is hoping to be given the all clear this week in his bid to return to match action. His determination and hard work to overcome his problems deserve reward. I am sure you will join me in wishing Mark the best of luck in his latest bid.



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KICK SAVERS



There have been few players in recent times who have generated the excitement that a 20 year-old striker brought to Swindon Town back in that gloomy winter of 1973/74. Some sixteen years on, PETER EASTOE is still turning out regularly on a Saturday afternoon.

When Peter had completed his apprenticeship at Molineux, in the summer of 1971, a wealth of strikers, including four Internationals, were competing for a first team spot. Hugh Curran, Bobby Gould, John Richards, Jim McCalliog and Derek Dougan were amongst them.

After a brief appearance as substitute against Liverpool, the big day came for Peter in April 1972 when, in front of nearly 40,000 at Highbury, he took the number ten shirt normally worn by the 'Doog'. Peter's recollection of that day was vivid. "Frightening!" he said, "a very difficult baptism", Wolves suffered a narrow 2-1 defeat.

His first-team chances were few and far between and, in November 1973, Peter took on a fresh challenge in coming to Swindon on loan. The Town had lost eight of the previous eleven games and were desperately trying to get out of the relegation zone. His debut, against Carlisle ended painfully. Having already scored twice, an accidental collision saw Peter leave the field with a broken cheekbone. "And that was the end of the month's loan!" he said.

Manager Les Allen was quick to extend the loan, however, and Peter had added a further five goals in ten games before new boss Danny Williams signed him for a Club record £88,000 fee in March 1974.

Peter became a firm favourite with

County Ground supporters who were always appreciative of his efforts, not least his 31 goals in 1974/75. "I shall always remember Swindon as a friendly, happy-go-lucky Club. I had a good association with the fans", he added. Plans were afoot to launch an official fan club when, quite by surprise, the opportunity came for Peter to go Queens Park Rangers.

"The offer was too good to refuse" he commented. "I always wanted to get back into the First Division and here was my chance". At Loftus Road, Rangers were flying high. They won seven out of their last eight games of the season, but were just pipped for the championship by Liverpool.

1982, when Ronnie Allen took him to West Bromwich Albion. But a year later, Peter found that he was out of favour and was on his travels once more.

Leicester, Huddersfield, Walsall and his old Club Wolves all took him on loan during the next two seasons. "It wasn't the best of things to do" said Peter, "but at thirty, I needed first team football".

In the summer of 1985, Peter's contract at the Hawthorns was cancelled and he was invited to go to Portugal. Sporting Farense in Faro needed a couple of good experienced pro's and Jim Smith recommended me and Bill Rafferty". Peter spent two seasons there, during which the Club gained promotion. He stayed in the sun for a third season, with

Passing Back



Paul Plowman



● Peter Eastoe at nineteen

It was some time before Peter got a taste of the action. "I was 13th man a few times and when the new season started the Manager kept favour with the team that finished second" he recalled.

The Manager, Dave Sexton, gave him his chance in due course. Unfortunately for Peter, he left for Old Trafford in the following July. Peter played in fewer than half of Rangers' games in 1977/78 but still finished as top scorer.

In March 1979, he was on the move again, signing for Everton on a 'swap' deal with Micky Walsh. Peter remembers his stay on Merseyside with some affection. "They're smashing people" he said. Again Peter put away the goals and was leading scorer for the Club in 1980/81.

It was time to return to the Midlands in

neighbouring Louletano, before coming 'home' and into non-League football in 1988.

An old school pal, Alan Kendall, an ex-Walsall apprentice, was Secretary of the Beazer Homes Division One Midland Club Atherstone United and signed Peter on. Atherstone promptly finished runners-up to Gloucester City this spring. Alan was full of praise for Peter's efforts. "He did a great job for us, particularly towards the end of the season, and was instrumental in us gaining promotion".

But Peter, seeking a coaching position, decided to stay in the Midland Division. This season he will be trying to help Brighnort Town to the same success - and will still be looking to get a few goals along the way!



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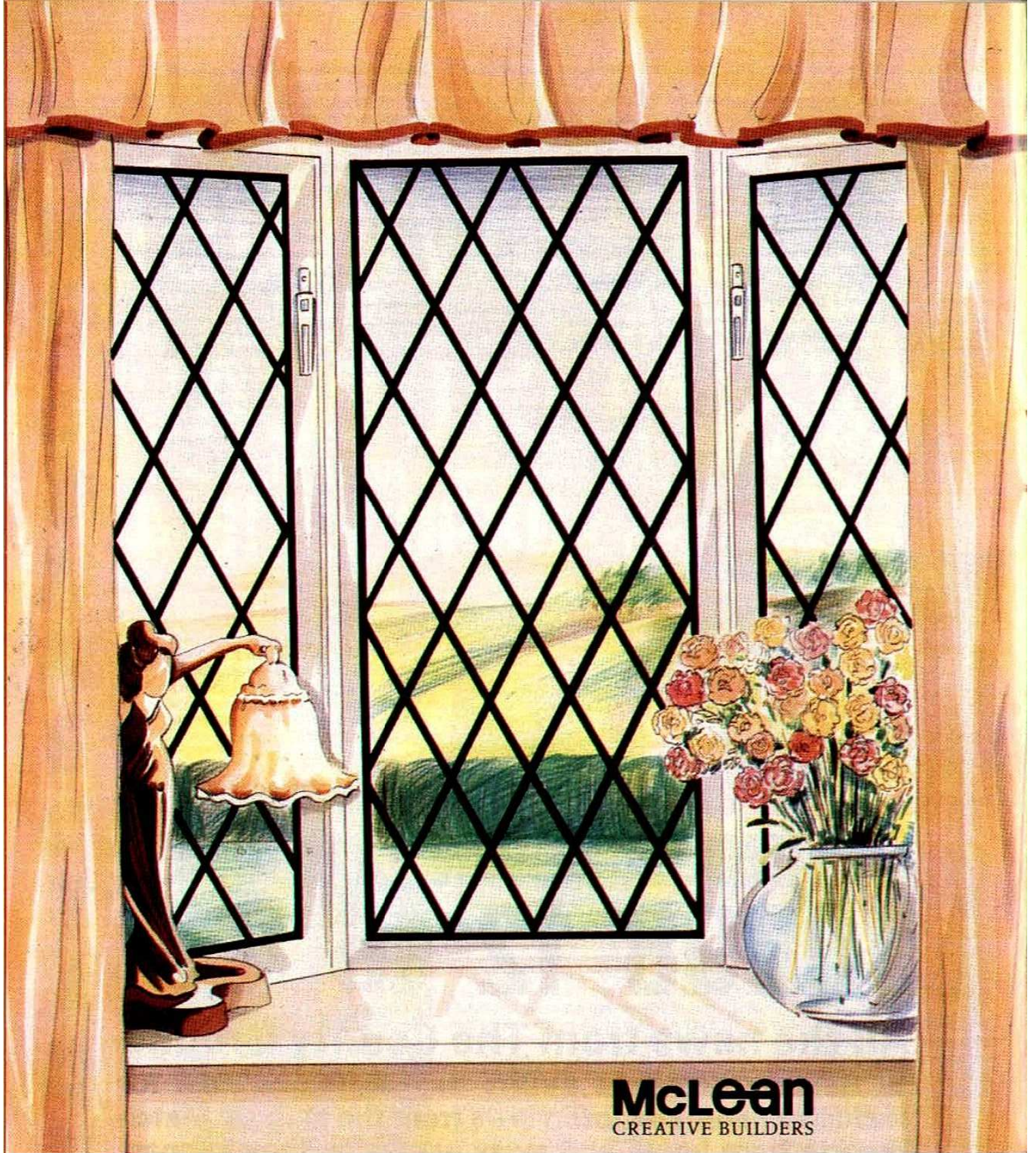
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Leicester City.

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Birmingham City.

4. Select a team from players that you have played with at Club level.

1. Eddie Niedzwiecki
2. Dave Hockaday
3. Joey Jones
4. Colin Calderwood
5. Joe McLaughlin

6. Nigel Spackman
7. Osvaldo Ardiles
8. David Speedie
9. Kerry Dixon
10. Pat Nevin
11. Ross Maclaren

5. The best player you have seen in your position.

Marco Van Basten.

6. Details of your first match, at any level, for your first professional Club.

Team and Opponents:

Leicester City

Date of Match:

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Venue:

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Position played:

Centre Forward

No of goals scored:

One

Final result:

2-2

7. Your favourite holiday spots at home and abroad.

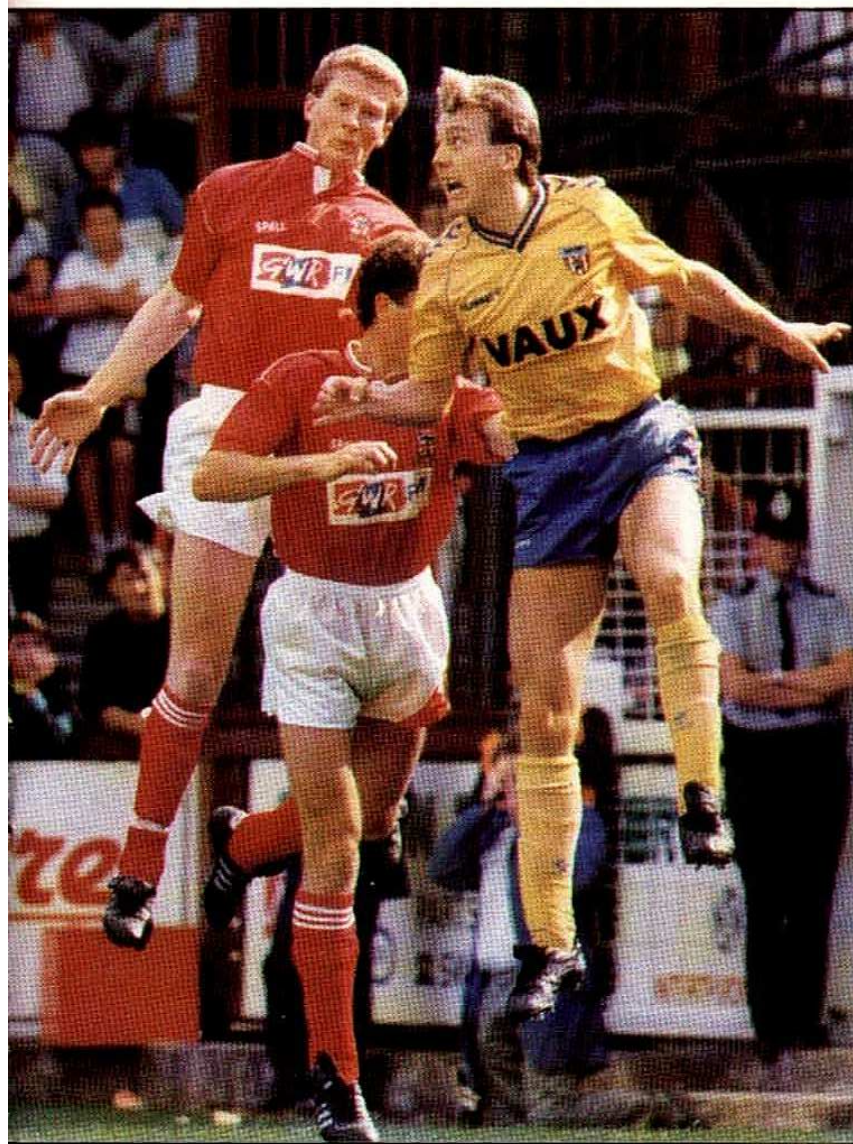
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8. Your favourite sports commentator.

Peter Allis.

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10. The best & worst dressers among your team mates.

David Geddis - best.

Phil King and Steve White - worst.

11. The best ground you have played on and the one you would most like to appear on.

Craven Cottage,
Hampden Park.

12. Your worst moment on the football field.

Crystal Palace - last game of the season.

13. What are your favourite TV shows.

Anything to do with wildlife.

PERSONAL OPINION



MATCH ACTION



by
Dave
Evans



- Steve White escapes the attention of former Bristol City defender John Mcphail in our opening day of the season match with Sunderland.



- Ossie Ardiles who came on as a second half substitute in the match with Sunderland, crosses the ball into the visitors goal mouth. Town full back Dave Hockaday watches in anticipation.



● Dave Hockaday clears a Sunderland attack in our 2-0 home defeat by the Roker Park Club.



WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS

Back row, left to right: Ally Robertson, Gary Bellamy, Nick Clarke, Mark Kendall, Vince Bartram, Tony Lange, Shane Westley, Floyd Streete, Mark Venus.

Middle row, left to right: John Paskin, Robert Kelly, Andy Mutch, Steve Bull, Paul Darby (Physio), Barry Powell (Coach), Garry Pendrey (Coach), Phil Robinson (now with Notts County), Robbie Dennison, Phil Chard, Paul McLoughlin.

Front row, left to right: Tim Steele, Richard Hartigan, Mick Gooding, Nigel Vaughan, J. Harris (Chairman), Graham Turner (Manager), Andy Thompson, Keith Downing, Matt Green, Tom Bennett.

Form guide

Wolverhampton Wanderers learned all about the **Second Division** facts of life at Middlesbrough on the opening day of the season.

After winning promotion from the **Fourth** and **Third Division** in successive seasons, they were brought down to earth with a bump, losing **4-2** to an impressive **Ayresome Park** outfit.

Wolves were relieved to salvage a point from last weeks **1-1** draw with **Bradford City** at **Molineux**, the prolific goalscoring **Steve Bull** equalising Paul Jewell's first half effort for the Valley Parade Club. A crowd of **13,784** were left to ponder whether Manager **Graham Turner** may have to enter the transfer market again after a muddled per-

formance.

A **1-0** First Leg win in the Littlewoods Cup, First Round match against visiting **Lincoln City** had interspersed the two League fixtures. **Shane Westley** had given the Midland Club a narrow lead to take to Sincil Bank for last Wednesday evening's second leg match.

Wolverhampton Wanderers have given Manager **Graham Turner**, the man who has taken Wolves off the scrapheap and into the Second Division with promotion in successive seasons plus Wembley glory in the Sherpa Van Trophy, a one-year extension on his present contract which had ten months left to run.

Goalscorers: Football League (3): Bull, Mutch, Thompson (penalty). Littlewoods Cup (1): Westley.

Welcome to

Wolverhampton Wanderers

THE SQUAD

GOALKEEPERS - Close season signing **Tony Lange, (24)**, signed from Aldershot for £150,000 was preferred to local born **Vince Bartran, (21)**, for the opening matches of this season. Former Chesterfield, Tottenham Hotspur and Newport County goalkeeper **Mark Kendall, (30)**, was the regular custodian last season. Injury has sidelined the former Welsh Under-21 International for the opening matches of this season.

DEFENDERS - Veteran central defender **Ally Robertson, (36)**, who made over 500 appearances for West Bromwich Albion before moving to Molineux on a free transfer in October, 1986, lined up alongside new signing **Shane Westley, (24)**, from Southend United, for the opening League match at Middlesbrough in the centre of the Wolves defence. The former Roots Hall Club defender had been one of four signings made by Manager Graham Turner during the summer. He joined the Midland Club for a fee of £150,000. **Floyd Streete, (30)**,

made 35 appearances for Wolves last season and is expected to add backbone once again to the defence. Floyd joined Wolves from Derby County in October 1985 for a small fee. He was previously with Cambridge United. Floyd missed the opening matches with a rib injury. Full back **Mark Venns, (22)**, was signed from Leicester City in March 1988 for a sizeable fee. The experienced **Gary Bellamy, (27)**, made 34 League appearances last season and joined Wolves from Chesterfield in July 1987 for a £17,000 fee. **Keith Downing, (24)**, was signed on a free transfer from Notts County in July 1987. Local born **Nick Clarke, (22)**, and **Tom Bennett, (19)**, are expected to add competition for the more experienced defenders on the Club's books. Tom joined the Molineux Club from Aston Villa at the beginning of last season.

MIDFIELD - Wolverhampton born **Andy Thompson, (21)**, was signed from Midland neighbours West Bromwich Albion for a substantial fee in November 1986. Welsh International **Nigel Vaughan,**

(30), moved to the Midland Club in August 1987 from Cardiff City for a fee of £11,500. Nigel had previously made over 400 appearances for Welsh Clubs Newport County and Cardiff City. The experienced **Phil Chard, (28)**, was signed from Northampton Town in March 1988 for a sizeable fee. Previously with Peterborough United. Another vastly experienced player on the Molineux staff is **Mick Gooding, (30)**, who is another former Peterborough United player. Mick was signed in September 1988 for £80,000. Mick's previous Clubs were Rotherham United and Chesterfield.

Local born players **Robert Kelly, (24)**, and **Matthew Green, (18)**, will be hoping to press their claims for regular first team soccer during the course of this season. Robert was a former Leicester City apprentice, while Matthew recently signed professional forms after completing a two year YTS apprenticeship with the Club.

FORWARDS - The phenomenal goalscoring **Steve Bull, (24)**, was signed from West Bromwich Albion for a substantial fee in November 1986. Steve was capped at Under-21 and full International levels for England last season. He has now scored over 100 goals in two seasons for the Club! **Andy Mutch, (25)**, scored 23 League goals last season. The England 'B' International was signed for a small fee from Multipart League Club, Southport, in February 1986. Two close season signings are expected to add competition for the striking positions. **John Paskin, (27)**, was signed from West Bromwich Albion for £75,000. The South African born striker was an early close season target for former Town Manager Lou Macari but preferred to remain in the Midlands. Former Hereford United striker **Paul McLoughlin, (25)**, was added to the squad of players assembled by the Midland Club in their pursuit of another promotion challenge. Paul, a former Cardiff City player, cost Wolves £45,000.

Robert Dennison, (20), and **Tim Steele, (22)**, are both players who can play as wingers, a rare commodity in today's game. Robert, a Northern Ireland International, was signed from West Bromwich Albion in March 1987 while Tim was one of 'Chic' Bates protégés when the Town's Assistant Manager was in charge of team affairs at Shrewsbury Road. The former 'Shrews' player cost Wolves £70,000 in February of this year.

STEVE BULL'S goalscoring feats in the last two seasons

	App.	Goals
1987/88	44	52
1988/89	45	50

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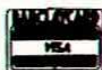


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TONY THE 'BLADES' HERO

Pride of place on the opening day of the season went to Sheffield United. They earned the Barclays Performance of the Week award, beating West Bromwich Albion 3-0 at the Hawthorns. Tony Agana netted twice for the newly-promoted team.

Leading individual scorer was Micky Quinn, signed by Newcastle United in the summer. He hit four goals as the Magpies hammered United 5-2 at St. James' Park in front of 24,482 fans, the afternoon's biggest crowd in the Second Division.

THE HIGHEST AND THE LOWEST

There was also an attendance of more than twenty thousand at Ayresome Park to watch Third Division champions Wolves lose 4-2 to relegated Middlesbrough. Bernie Slaven scored twice. The other player to score two goals was Mark Stuart for Plymouth Argyle in the 2-0 home win over Oxford United. It was their first victorious start for seven seasons.

The lowest crowd was 8,158 who watched Hull City draw 1-1 playing host to Leicester.

DELAYED KICK-OFFS

There were delayed kick-offs at Valley Parade and the Victoria Ground. Jimmy Quinn skippered Bradford City as they shared four goals with Port Vale, while former Town team-mate, Chris Kamara, stole the headlines in Stoke City's 1-1 draw with West Ham United. As a result of his tackle, Frank McAvennie is out of action.

The quickest goal of the Second Division was at Ewood Park. Simon Garner earned Blackburn Rovers three points with his effort in the 4th minute against Oldham Athletic.

Leeds United considered legal action against Allan Clarke for newspaper remarks about Vinny Jones. Their former boss is now in charge at Barnsley, who lost 3-1 to Ipswich Town.

Portsmouth lost by a single goal at Watford - reports suggest manager John Gregory needs a goal-getter, and A.F.C. Bournemouth were beaten 2-1 at Brighton & Hove Albion - the Cherries are said to have missed Ian Bishop.

Swindon Town lost 2-0 to Sunderland at the County Ground. That was the opening day of the season. Results in August 1989 could well be long-forgotten in May 1990!

ONE HUNDRED PERCENT

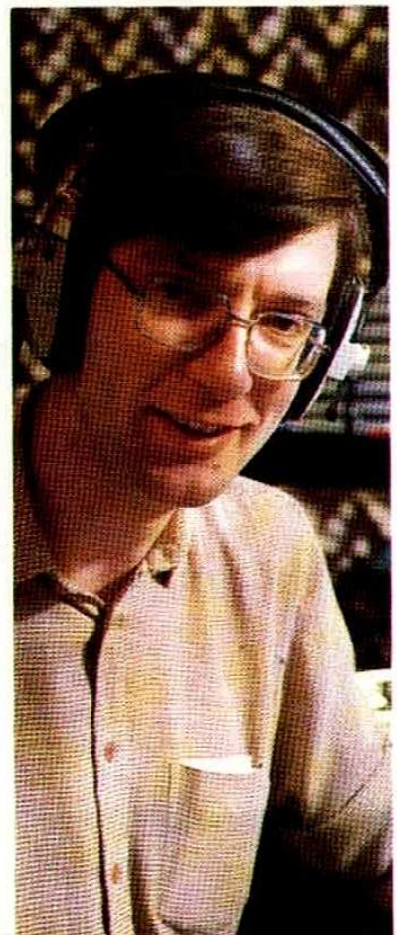
In the following midweek matches, only Blackburn Rovers and Ipswich

Town maintained a 100% record. Blackburn Rovers scored a single goal success at Leicester City while the East Anglian side won 4-2 at Sunderland - they were 3-0 up at the break. Goals in the first half by Stuart Slater gave West Ham United a 2-0 win over Bradford City at Upton Park. The crowd topped 25,000 at Elland Road where Leeds United beat Middlesbrough 2-1 thanks to a decisive own goal.

Games between A.F.C. Bournemouth & West Bromwich Albion and Oldham Athletic & Watford were drawn. At Boundary Park, the scoreboard apparently got out of hand! The hi-tec light show poked

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fun at the referee, but will stop before it's charged with bringing the game into disrepute!

After the second Saturday of the season, the League tables are calculated.

LOU MACARI'S TEAM ON TOP

West Ham United are on top. For their second home victory in four days, Lou Macari's team won 3-2 against Plymouth Argyle. Martin Allen scored on his debut for the Eastenders. Argyle's Mark Stuart was again twice on target. The Hammers lead Blackburn Rovers on goal difference. Rovers drew 1-1 at Leeds United.

Third placed Sheffield United now have the only 100% record - played 2, won 2, after their 2-0 victory over Ipswich Town at Bramall Lane.

There were nine goals at Dean Court, as A.F.C. Bournemouth beat Hull City 5-4. Paul Moulden for the winners, and Andy Payton for the losers, both recorded hat-tricks. Defender Peter Swan, who had scored an own goal, was between the posts for the visitors in the second half after Iain Hesford was injured.

Roger Palmer scored twice for Oldham Athletic in their 2-2 home draw with Swindon Town. The 5,531 gate was the division's lowest of the day.

The first goalless game of the new term was at Portsmouth. Stoke City were the visitors.

STEVE BULL TRAILED QUINN!

Steve Bull hit the goal trail for Wolves in their 1-1 home draw with Bradford City. Micky Quinn was on target again for Newcastle United. It was 2-2 at Filbert Street against Leicester City for whom Tony Spearing scored for the first time.

Bottom-of-the-table West Bromwich Albion are the only club with one point from three fixtures - they went down 2-1 away to Port Vale. Above them, Oxford United, after a 1-1 result against Watford, who recorded their second away draw.

Elsewhere, Barnsley beat Brighton & Hove Albion 1-0 at the Oakwell Ground and last Sunday, Sunderland, came from behind to defeat Middlesbrough by the odd goal in three at Roker Park.

Wolves entered the second round of the Littlewoods Challenge Cup on Wednesday last, when goals from Steve Bull and Robbie Dennison, against Lincoln City at Sincil Bank, ensured that following their earlier 1-0 win at Molineux, they won 3-0 on aggregate.

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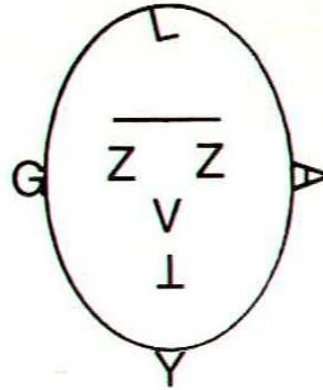
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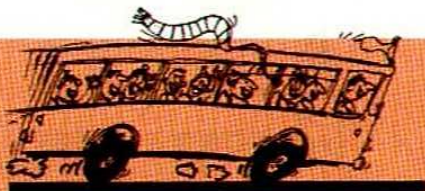
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Travel Club News



Once again, Swindon Town Travel Club will be operating coach trips this season and they are ready to welcome new members, as well as renewing acquaintance with those members who have travelled on a regular basis for the past few seasons. There are many advantages to be gained by becoming a member of the Travel Club and if you have not already joined, you should seriously consider doing so.

Date	Venue	Depart	County Ground	Fare
Sat Sep 9	West Ham United	11.15 a.m.		£ 5.50
Tue 12	Sheffield United	1.45 p.m.		£ 7.00
Sat 23	Leeds United	8.45 p.m.		£8.00
Sat 30	Bradford City	8.45 a.m.		£ 8.50
Sat Oct 7	Hull City	8.45 a.m.		£ 8.50

We will also be running coaches to all Cup matches. Bookings are taken from MEMBERS ONLY. Membership is currently available at the cost of £2.00 for one year, or £5.00 for three years. You must also provide TWO passport size photographs with your application. Forms are available from the Travel Club Office, which is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 7.30 p.m. and 10.00 p.m. and also before and after each home game. For further information please telephone 611499.

YOUR ROUTE TO WEST HAM UNITED AND UPTON PARK...

Next **Saturday September 9th** we make the eagerly awaited excursion to East London to face **West Ham United**. It is our first opportunity to renew acquaintance with our former Manager, **Lou Macari**. This will be our first ever League fixture with the London Club.

Your journey to **Upton Park** will commence via **Junction 15** leading onto the **M4** to **London**. Use **A406 North Circular Road** then take the **A104** to **Leytonstone**, then follow the **A114** to **Forest Gate Station** and shortly at T road, turn left, then shortly right, take the **B167** into **Green Street** for **West Ham United F.C.**

MATCH DETAILS

Seat prices at **West Ham United** are priced at **£8** and entrance to the terraces will be **£5**. Entrance to the **West Stand** can be made from **Castle Street**. Seating arrangements for Town supporters are in the upper tier of the **West Stand**. The terrace arrangements are below the upper tier of same stand. **Car parking** is in the streets surrounding **Upton Park** and your **match-day programme** will be on sale at **£1** in the stadium, the off-stadium price will be **£1.25**. There are no facilities available for the disabled.

YOUR ROUTE TO SHEFFIELD UNITED AND BRAMALL LANE...

Our first midweek away match of the season will be against **Sheffield United** at **Bramall Lane** on **Tuesday September 12th**.

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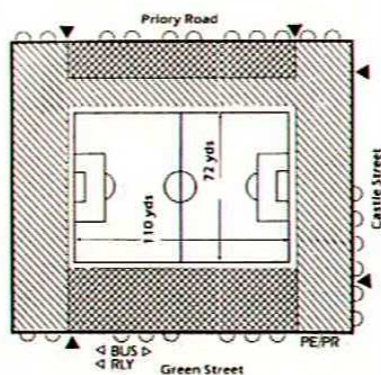
Town supporters will be able to use the **Bramall Lane Stand** and **terrace** areas. Entrance is via turnstiles in **Bramall Lane**. The seats for the **Bramall Lane Stand**, which has a capacity of **2,958**, are priced at **£8** and admission to the **terrace** area, accommodating **7,554**, is **£4**. Please enter the ground through turnstile numbers 7-26.

Facilities are also available at **Bramall Lane** to entertain organised parties from our **Junior Robins** on a reciprocal basis.

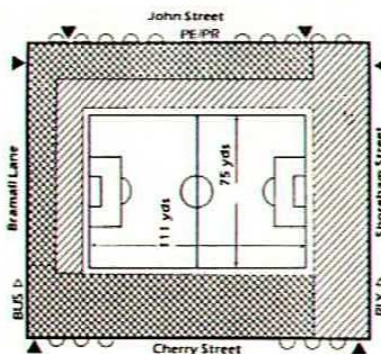
Matchday programmes will be on sale price **80p**.

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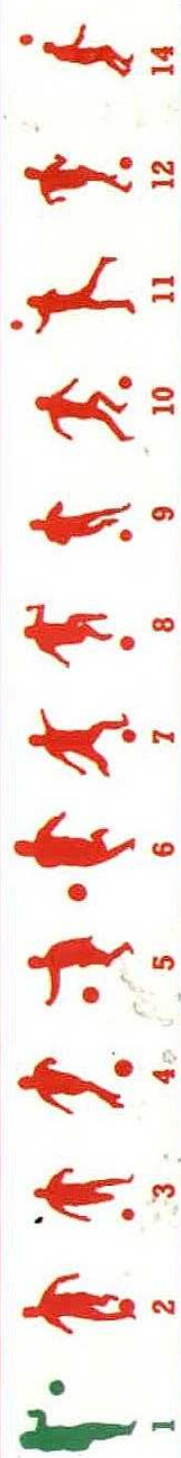
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Date	Day	Home Team	Away Team
Sat Aug 19		Sunderland	Oldham Athletic
Sun Aug 26		Wolverhampton Wanderers	West Ham United
Sat Sept 3		Sheffield United	Barnsley
Sat Sept 9		Leeds United	Plymouth Argyle
Sat Sept 16		Bradford City	Hull City
Sat Sept 23		Ipswich Town	Oxford United
Sat Sept 30		Leicester City	A.F.C. Bourne
Sun Oct 1		Brighton & Hove Albion	Stoke City
Sat Oct 7		Middlesbrough	Port Vale (F.A. Cup 1)
Sat Oct 14		Portsmouth	Sunderland
Sat Oct 21		Sheffield United (FA Cup 2)	West Bromwich Albion
Sat Oct 28		Blackburn Rovers	Newcastle United
Sun Nov 5		Watford	F.A. Cup 3
Sat Nov 12		Oldham Athletic	Wolverhampton Wanderers
Sat Nov 19		Leeds United	Leicester City
Sat Nov 26		West Ham United (F.A. Cup 5)	Portsmouth
Sat Dec 3		Port Vale	Bradford City
Sat Dec 10		Hull City	Ipswich Town
Sat Dec 17		Oxford United	Leicester City
Sat Dec 24		A.F.C. Bourne	F.A. Cup Semi Finals
Sat Dec 31		Brighton & Hove Albion	Watford
Mon Jan 7		Blackburn Rovers	West Bromwich Albion
Sat Jan 14		Newcastle United	Middlesbrough
Sat Jan 21		Middlesbrough	Littlewoods Cup Final
Sat Jan 28		Stoke City	F.A. Cup Final
Sun Feb 4			
Sat Feb 11			
Sat Feb 18			
Sat Feb 25			
Sat Mar 4			
Sat Mar 11			
Sat Mar 18			
Sat Mar 25			
Sat Apr 1			
Sat Apr 8			
Sat Apr 15			
Sat Apr 22			
Sat Apr 29			
Sun May 6			
Sat May 13			

Res.	Att.	Player	Goals	Assists	Minutes
0-2	10,199	Digby	1	0	14
2-2	5,531	Digby	2	0	12
		Barnard	2	0	11
		King	3	0	10
		King	3	0	9
		McLoughlin	4	0	8
		McLoughlin	4	0	7
		Parkin	5	0	6
		Parkin	5	0	5
		Calderwood	6	0	4
		Calderwood	6	0	3
		Shearer	8	0	2
		Shearer	8	0	1
		White	9	0	0
		White	9	0	0
		Maclaren	10	0	0
		Maclaren	10	0	0
		Simpson	11	0	0
		Simpson	11	0	0
		Ardiles	12	0	0
		Ardiles	12	0	0
		Cornwell	14	0	0
		Cornwell	14	0	0

Key: ● Goalscorer * and † Player substituted and () number of player substituted Home matches in bold type



MARTYN SMITH'S MATCH FACTS

v SUNDERLAND on SATURDAY AUGUST 19th at the COUNTY GROUND

Weather Conditions: Dry and Sunny			
Sunderland Team:	1 Norman 5 McPhail 9 Gates	2 Agboola 6 Owers 10 Gabbiadini	3 Hardyman 7 Cullen 11 Pascoe
Substitutes:	Swindon Town 12 Cornwell 14 Ardiles		Sunderland 12 Cornforth (for Bennett in 31st min) 14 Hawke (for Cullen in 71st min)
Bookings:	Galvin - 28 mins White - 29 mins Simpson - 43 mins Shearer - 75 mins Ardiles - 91 mins		McPhail - 25 mins
Sending Off:	Simpson - 46 mins		
First Half Duration:	48 mins 0 secs		
Second Half Duration:	46 mins 39 secs		
First Half Corners:	2		3
Second Half Corners:	3		4
Goals:		Gates (17 mins 15 secs) Hawke (80 mins 16 secs)	
Goal attempts on target:	McLoughlin (17 mins) Simpson (31 mins) Shearer (33 mins) King (36 mins) Shearer (48 mins) McLoughlin (52 mins)		Gates (16 mins) Cornforth (47 mins) Gabbiadini (67 mins) Pascoe (74 mins) Pascoe (79 mins)
Referee:	A. Ward		
Linesmen:	D. Delaney and P. M. Fyle		

v OLDHAM ATHLETIC on SATURDAY AUGUST 26th at BOUNDARY PARK

Weather Conditions: Dull with Drizzle			
Oldham Athletic Team:	1 Rhodes 5 Marshall 9 Bunn	2 Irwin 6 Holden 10 Milligan	3 Barrett 7 Adams 11 Holden R.
Substitutes:	Swindon Town 12 Summerbee 14 Ardiles (67th min)		Oldham Athletic 12 Henry (for Adams in 45th min) 14 Barlow (for Marshall in 58th min)
Bookings:	None		
First Half Duration:	45 mins 18 secs		
Second Half Duration:	46 mins 29 secs		
First Half Corners:	4		2
Second Half Corners:	1		6
Goals:	McLoughlin (5 mins 16 secs) Shearer (48 mins 52 secs)	Palmer (66 mins 30 secs) Bunn (80 mins 27 secs)	
Goal attempts on target:	Maclaren (34 mins) White (41 mins) King (59 mins) Simpson (86 mins)		A. Holden (7 mins) Bunn (19 mins) Palmer (47 mins) Barrett (54 mins) Bunn (63 mins) R. Holden (65 mins)

SWINDON TOWN PLAYER'S RECORD

CAREER RECORD		SWINDON TOWN APPEARANCES	
Football League	F.A. Challenge Cup	Football League	F.A. Challenge Cup
A - S - G	A - S - G	A - S - G	A - S - G
230-17-16	32-1-4	Ossie Artilles	0-2-0
286-16-32	23-0-3	Leigh Barnard	208-5-22
92-9-7	11-0-0	Paul Bodin	15-1-1
267-3-9	22-0-0	Colin Calderwood	170-0-8
226-16-36	12-1-2	John Cornwell	5-2-0
118-0-0	7-0-0	Fraser Digby	118-0-0
164-11-28	17-0-6	Steve Foley	75-0-12
217-22-21	24-5-3	Tony Galvin	2-0-0
222-30-78	12-3-1	David Geddis	8-2-3
72-2-1	7-1-0	Jon Gittens	56-2-1
347-23-31	36-1-2	Dave Hoekland	216-7-7
140-29-16	12-4-0	Mark Jones	38-1-9
40-0-6	1-1-0	Tommy Jones	40-0-6
148-7-6	11-0-0	Phil King	100-4-3
310-12-26	25-0-4	Ross McLaren	109-0-4
63-6-8	1-1-0	Alan McLoughlin	42-3-4
323-2-17	29-1-2	Tim Parkin	105-1-5
117-6-53	8-0-7	Duncan Shearer	35-3-15
5-4-0	-	Fitzroy Simpson	5-4-0
322-42-120	19-4-5	Steve White	89-16-39

Code: A = Appearances; S = Playing Substitute; G = Goals Scored

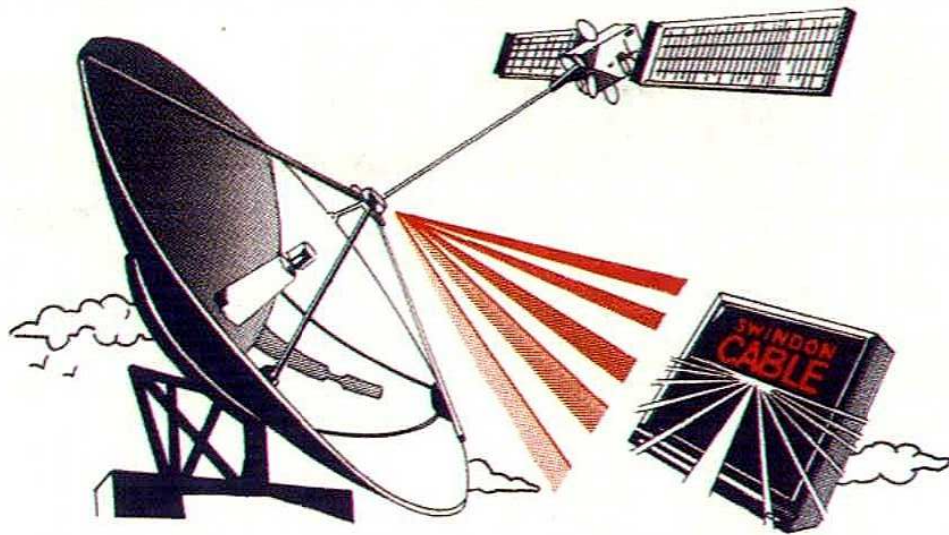
NEXT MATCHES AT THE COUNTY GROUND

Tuesday September 5th
Swindon Town v Oxford United
'Ovenden Papers' Football Combination
Kick-off 2.00 p.m.

Wednesday September 13th
Swindon Town v Fulham
'Ovenden Papers' Football Combination
Kick-off 2.00 p.m.

Saturday September 16th
Swindon Town v Barnsley
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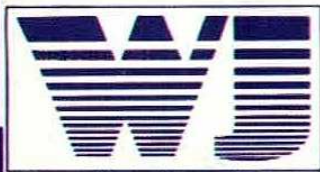
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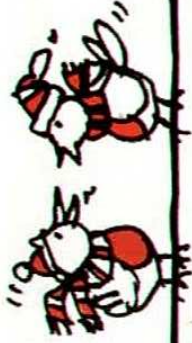
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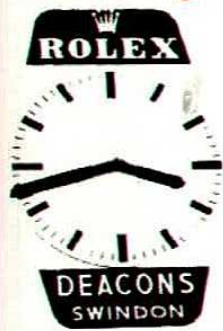
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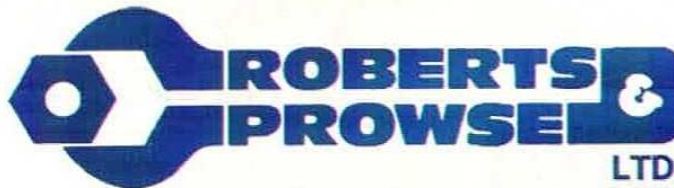


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Saturday 2nd September
 Luton Town v Reading (2.00)
 Southampton v Crystal Palace (3.00)
 Tottenham Hotspur v Charlton Athletic (2.00)
 West Ham United v Brighton & Hove Albion (2.00)
 Wimbledon v Swindon Town (3.00)

Tuesday 5th September
 Arsenal v Watford (7.30)
 Charlton Athletic v Norwich City (2.00)
 Portsmouth v Millwall (7.00)
 Queens Park Rangers v Southampton (2.00)
 Swindon Town v Oxford United (2.00)

Wednesday 6th September
 Brighton & Hove Albion v Chelsea (7.15)
 Crystal Palace v Wimbledon (2.00)
 Fulham v Ipswich Town (2.00)

Saturday 9th September
 Southampton v Arsenal (3.00)
 Tottenham Hotspur v Luton Town (2.00)
 Watford v Oxford United (3.00)

POMPEY SUNK ...

We opened our new campaign with a 2-0 win versus Portsmouth at the County Ground on Wednesday August 23rd. In a bright and entertaining display we totally outplayed our opponents.

Paul Hunt capped a fine individual performance in the first half leg scoring our first goal in the thirty-first minute with a snap shot on the turn from just inside the penalty box.



• Paul Hunt - Goals in the matches against South Coast Clubs Portsmouth and Southampton have given the former Town trainee a flying start to the season.

Our continual domination of the second half saw David Geddis score the second goal with a fine header from Neil Tomlinson's cross. It was an excellent team performance in our first match of the new season.

Team: Hammond, Barnard, O'Driscoll, T. Jones, Viveash, Bodin, Tomlinson, Hunt, Geddis, Summerbee, Simpson.

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THE OVENDEN PAPERS FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Date		Opponents	Result
1989			
Wed	Aug 23	Portsmouth	2.00 H 2-0
Sat	26	Southampton	3.00 A 1-0
Sat	29	West Ham United	2.00 H
Tue	Sep 2	Wimbledon	3.00 A
Tue	5	Oxford United	3.00 H
Wed	13	Fulham	2.00 H
Wed	20	Ipswich Town	3.00 A
Wed	27	Chelsea	2.00 A
Mon	Oct 2	Millwall	2.00 H
Tue	10	Queens Park Rangers	2.00 H
Wed	18	Crystal Palace	2.00 A
Mon	23	Millwall	2.00 A
Tue	31	Luton Town	2.00 H
Tue	Nov 7	Wimbledon	2.00 H
Tue	14	Queens Park Rangers	2.00 A
Tue	21	Arsenal	2.00 H
Tue	28	Charlton Athletic	2.00 A
Tue	Dec 5	Brighton & Hove Albion	2.00 H
Sat	9	West Ham United	2.00 A
Tue	12	Portsmouth	7.00 A
Tue	19	Crystal Palace	2.00 H
1989			
Tue	Jan 9	Watford	2.00 H
Tue	16	Reading	2.00 H
Wed	24	Brighton & Hove Albion	7.15 A
Sat	27	Watford	3.00 A
Tue	30	Chelsea	2.00 H
Fri	Feb 2	Norwich City	7.30 A
Tue	6	Tottenham Hotspur	2.00 H
Wed	14	Oxford United	7.30 A
Sat	17	Arsenal	3.00 A
Tue	20	Southampton	2.00 H
Wed	28	Fulham	2.00 A
Sat	Mar 10	Luton Town	2.00 A
Tue	13	Ipswich Town	2.00 H
Tue	20	Charlton Athletic	2.00 H
Wed	28	Reading	2.00 A
Tue	Apr 3	Norwich City	22.00 H
Tue	24	Tottenham Hotspur	2.00 A

Substitutes: Trollope and Dixon not used.
 Attendance: 210.

Andy Rowland



... 'SAINTS' ALSO!

We continued our early impressive form with a fine 1-0 win at Southampton on Saturday August 26th. The Dell is always an imposing venue for us at Reserve Team level and this was a good display.

Taking into account the calibre of players included in the 'Saints' line-up, I was very pleased with the account we gave of ourselves. It was a match where the young players we included, like Lee Spalding, Paul Trollope and Jason Braidwood, were admirably assisted by the experience of Paul Bodin, Tommy Jones and David Geddis.

Against a Southampton team that included John Burrige, Gerry Forrest and former England International Russell Osman our team work was excellent. A forty-eighth minute effort by Paul Hunt was enough to give our reserve team the points. Paul has opened the season in impressive form and again scored an excellent goal.

This was a particularly pleasing return to the Dell for Paul O'Driscoll who was released by Southampton at the end of last season.

Team: Hammond, Braidwood, O'Driscoll, Tommy Jones, Viveash, Bodin, Tomlinson, Trollope, Geddis, Hunt, Graham.

Substitutes: Braidwood and Rowland.



DISAPPOINTING START

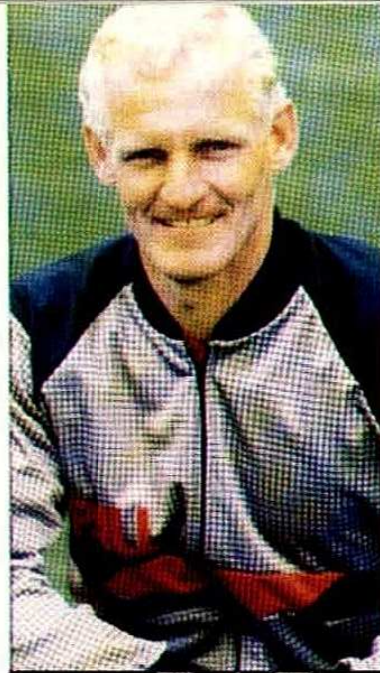
We commenced the season in the South East Counties League with a disappointing draw against Reading at Lydiard Park on Saturday August 19th.

It was a game where we were void of appetite and enthusiasm. Only a few of the players approached the match in the proper manner and this resulted in a poor team performance. Only in flashes did we show any form of note. It was from one of these brief respites from dull play that we took the lead. Lee Spalding crossing and from a resultant scramble **Liam Dixon** scored in the 30th minute.

Reading equalised early in the second half through Nathan Fealey and were by far the better team for the remainder of the game as we continued to struggle.

Team: **Thompson, Spalding, Braidwood, Lea, Murray, Hall, Walker, Spence, Dixon, Trollope, Graham.**

Substitutes: **Churchward** (for Hall in 68th minute), **Phillips** (for Spence in 61st minute).



**John
Trollope**

A DEPLETED LINE-UP

Fielding a depleted team due to Reserve team call-up we lost 3-0 when we visited Oxford United in our away match in Division Two of the South East Counties League on Saturday August 26th.

Although we were under pressure for long periods we worked hard and but for some defensive errors we could well have shown some return from the match. **Jonathon Mattock** put Oxford United into the lead after half an hours play.

Oxford United added two more goals during the second half through **Dean Goodliff** and **Chris Allen**.

Overall I was quite pleased with our performance. We had four schoolboys making their debut. Although the match was always going to be difficult there were pleasing displays. **Liam Dixon** worked hard up front while **Paul Thompson** in goal and **Mark Lea**, along with **Martin Churchward** in defence, were prominent in defence.

Wayne O'Sullivan, in his first game, made a most promising debut. There were plenty of pleasing aspects about the match which should bode well for the future.

Team: **Thompson, Hall, Pitman, Lea, Churchward, Murray, Wolsey, Spence, Dixon, O'Sullivan, Walker.**

Substitutes: **Lovegrove** (for Pitman in 46th minute), **Goble** (For Wolsey in 67th minute).

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES YOUTH TEAM SEASON 1989/90

Date		Opponents	Result
1989			
Sat	Aug 19	Reading	11 am H 1-1
Sat	26	Oxford United	A 0-3
Sat	Sep 2	Wimbledon	11 am H
Sat	16	Brentford	11 am H
Sat	23	Aldershot	A
Sat	30	A.F.C. Bournemouth	A
Sat	Oct 7	Luton Town	11 am H
Sat	14	Colchester United	A
Sat	21	League Cup (2)	
Sat	28	Brighton & Hove Albion	11 am H
Sat	Nov 4	Northampton Town	11 am H
Sat	11	Southampton	11 am H
Sat	18	Bristol City	A
Sat	25	Crystal Palace	A
Sat	Dec 2	Bristol Rovers	A
Sat	9	League Cup (3)	
Sat	16	Tottenham Hotspur	A
1990			
Sat	Jan 6	Reading	A
Sat	13	Oxford United	11 am H
Sat	20	Wimbledon	A
Sat	27	Aldershot	11 am H
Sat	Feb 3	Colchester United	12 noon H
Sat	10	A.F.C. Bournemouth	11 am H
Sat	17	Brighton & Hove Albion	A
Sat	24	Brentford	A
Sat	Mar 3	Bristol City	11 am H
Sat	17	Luton Town	A
Sat	24	Southampton	A
Sat	31	Crystal Palace	11 am H
Sat	Apr 7	Northampton Town	A
Sat	14	Tottenham Hotspur	11 am H

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE CUP 1989/90

Date		Opponents	Result
1989			
Sat	Sep 9	Portsmouth	11 am H

MIDLAND YOUTH CUP 1989/90

Date		Opponents	Result
1989			
Wed	Aug 30	Peterborough United	A 3-0

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Colchester Utd.	2	Charlton Ath.	4
Crystal Palace	v	Brentford	
Fulham	v	Chelsea	
Wimbledon	v	Southend Utd.	
Brighton	v	Aldershot	
Aston Villa	v	Luton Town	
To be arranged:			
Ipswich Town	v	Cambridge	
West Ham Utd.	v	Norwich City	
Millwall	v	Gillingham	
Birmingham	v	Reading	
Coventry City	v	Bristol City	
Bournemouth	v	Tottenham	
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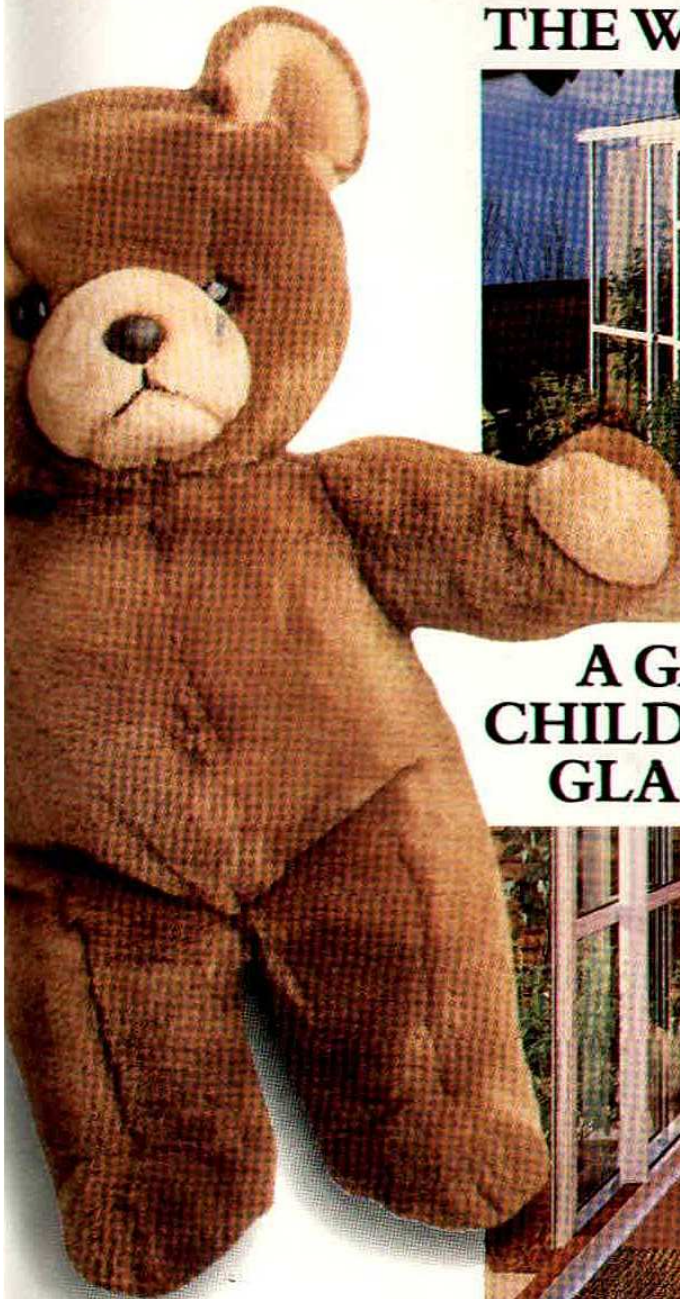


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TEAM NEWS

FRASER DIGBY. The former England Under-21 International will be hoping to keep his first clean sheet of the season today.



TONY LANGE. The former Aldershot 'keeper has conceded five goals in his first two League matches since his £150,000 close season move.

LEIGH BARNARD. Deputised for the injured Dave Hockaday in the 2-2 draw at Oldham Athletic last week.



PHIL CHARD. The experienced utility player has scored 50 League goals for Northampton Town, Peterborough United and Wolves.

PHIL KING. Made the 100th full League appearance of his career in the match with Oldham Athletic.



MARK VENUS. The former Hartlepool United and Leicester City full back makes his 100th full League appearance today.

ALAN McLOUGHLIN. Scored the Town's first goal of the season in the 2-2 draw at Oldham Athletic.



ALLY ROBERTSON. The former West Bromwich Albion defender makes his 608th full League appearance today.

TIM PARKIN. The 31-year-old defender makes the 324th full appearance of his League career this afternoon.



SHANE WESTLEY. The summer signing from Southend United scored his first goal for Wolves in the narrow 1-0 First Leg win against Lincoln City on August 23rd.

COLIN CALDERWOOD. The Town skipper makes his 171st full League appearance for the Town this afternoon.



NIGEL VAUGHAN. The Welsh International midfielder requires 15 goals to record a century in League matches.

TOMMY JONES. The former Aberdeen player is making his first appearance of the season following his knee injury.



ANDY THOMPSON. On the mark from the penalty spot in Wolves' 4-2 defeat at Middlesbrough on the opening day of the season. Ever present last season.

DUNCAN SHEARER. Scored his first goal of the season in the 49th minute in the 2-2 draw at Oldham Athletic last week.



MICK GOODING. Following today's match the former Rotherham United, Chesterfield and Peterborough United midfielder player will have made 298 full League appearances.

STEVE WHITE. The prolific goal-scoring striker will be looking for his first goal of the season this afternoon. Rattled the cross bar at Oldham last week.



STEVE BULL. Opened his goal-scoring account with a superb glancing header from Robbie Dennison's 63rd minute free kick in the 1-1 draw with Bradford City at Molineux last week.

ROSS MACLAREN. Just signed a new three year contract with the Club to pledge his immediate future to the Town set-up.



ANDY MUTCH. Scored Wolves' first goal of the season in the 46th minute of the opening day 4-2 defeat at Middlesbrough.

TONY GALVIN. Recalled to the Republic of Ireland's squad for the International versus West Germany in Dublin this coming Wednesday.



ROBBIE DENNISON. One of five former West Brom players in the Wolves line-up! Joining Ally Robertson, Andy Thompson and Steve Bull from the Hawthorns Club.

JON GITTENS. Returned to action after suspension in the Reserve match versus West Ham United on Tuesday afternoon.



JOHN PASKIN. Graham Turner piped former Town boss Lou Macari in the summer race for yet another West Bromwich Albion player who cost Wolves £75,000.

JOHN CORNWELL. Was the non-playing substitute at Oldham Athletic last Saturday. Scored twice in the Reserves 3-1 midweek win against West Ham United.



PAUL McLOUGHLIN. A £45,000 summer signing from Hereford United. A non-playing substitute last Saturday versus Bradford City.

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