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# DAVE BASSETT'S TEAM TALK



Before I became professionally involved in this game, I was a football supporter, just like you. And so I know how delighted you must have felt when the league tables came out on Saturday night and there, at the top of the Second Division, stood Sheffield United. Incidentally I wonder when that last happened?

I would not for one moment attempt to spoil the enjoyment of our followers. Indeed, I share it but I remember, last season, when we were expected to get promotion, saying that it was the position in May that I was interested in, not in September.

That, of course, is still how the professionals look at it. But I have to admit that if we were stuck at the bottom of the league without a win, I would be concerned. As we are at the other end, well, let us say that I enjoyed the weekend as much as you did.

We all know that the Second Division is a different ball game

from the Third but, apart from our disappointing exit from the Littlewoods Cup at Rotherham, we have done well and continued to score goals.

In a recent interview I gave, I insisted that I wanted the scoring responsibility spread around, not just left to Brian Deane and Tony Agana.

So it is nice to see Ian Bryson with his name on the sheet and a splendid bonus to have John Francis doing his job. John, as you know, took the opportunity of enhancing his career prospects when Tony Agana was forced to rest his damaged foot and we are all delighted at his contribution.

His two goals against Brighton could not have been put away with more skill by anybody in the game. That winner, in the last minute, was a memorable goal. And to think that inside the club John's heading ability is not his strong point. In fact, from time to time he has taken a bit of stick about it.

The Brighton match was perhaps one of the most exciting in my time as manager here. From three up we went to 4-3 down and that is the way it is with us. We are not

vastly experienced at this level and the way we play means we are not a side that sits back, closes the game down and starts passing back to the goalkeeper. We go looking for more; that is the way we are.

Some days that can let you down. We kept at it, gave Brighton their chances and, to be fair, they took them well. We defended a bit naively at times but a lot of what happened was due to the skill of the Brighton players.

When we went 4-3 down, I felt, as I am sure you did, that we might lose a game we thought we had won. but in fairness to the lads, they kept at it and won 5-4. It caused us problems along the way, but if we can always get the winner in the last minute, I won't mind too much.

The message is clear — if you are watching Sheffield United don't go home until the final whistle. You never know what you might miss. I bet there are a few hundred Blades fans kicking themselves for missing John Francis' late winner.

Tonight we have an opportunity to build on our good start. But Swindon had a fine result on Saturday, drawing at West Ham, after beating Wolves 3-1 the previous Sunday.

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# HOME *and* AWAY

When are Sheffield United not Sheffield United? When they are in the Littlewoods Cup. Or so it would seem. The performance at Rotherham left a great deal to be desired. No goals, very few scoring opportunities and, generally, a listless performance by the front men. Nobody but the most biased of Blades supporters could begrudge Rotherham their success over the two legs.

With this in mind — and with painful memories of the team's last visit to Middlesbrough two seasons ago when they were on the wrong end of a 6-0 thrashing — the Blades faithful made their apprehensive way to Ayresome Park. What a difference! An aggressive, battling performance gave United a good share of the possession against a Middlesbrough team playing the type of sophisticated passing game that had torn United to shreds on that previous meeting. It was a pleasant and entertaining contrast of styles. Up front, Boro always looked slick and dangerous; at the back, hesitant and unsure, their close passing in and near their own penalty area frequently landing them in trouble. United, of course, played their normal long-ball game, constantly pressuring the uncoordinated Middlesbrough back four. So a high-scoring game always looked a distinct possibility. And so it proved.

A curious goal by John Francis — a looping header that seemed to be misjudged by goalkeeper Poole — and a screaming shot by Bernie Slaven produced a half-time score

of 1-1 — with no real indication of the drama to come in the second half.

To the delight of the travelling fans, United suddenly found themselves 3-1 to the good. With Alan Roberts having a splendid game on the right and a stream of good crosses coming over from that flank, Ian Bryson, getting into positions that proved so profitable at the beginning of last season, scored twice, first with a well-angled header at the far post, then with a fierce drive into the roof of the net from a similar position. So, at this point, United looked well set to maintain their 100% league record.

To their credit Middlesbrough refused to lie down and pushed forward relentlessly, putting United's defence under immense pressure. Unfortunately, it was a debatable goal that brought them back into the game. A long ball over United's defence found Alan Comfort, but Slaven was in what appeared to be an offside position. Simon Tracey, misjudged his dash to reach the ball outside the penalty area — just as he had done at West Bromwich. Again, he found himself stranded — but this time he was not so lucky, Comfort chipping the ball coolly and accurately over his head and into the empty net.

Boro, seeing the possibility of saving what had looked like a lost cause and of salvaging a point, increased their attacking momentum, and it came as no real surprise when Slaven snatched the equaliser.

Before the match, most Unitedites would have settled happily for a point, but they left the game feeling that two points had been thrown away. A bitter-sweet feeling.

Still, it was a stirring match and, looking at the game as a whole, nobody could complain about United's determined performance.



Alan Roberts — *Travel Club Man of the Match.*

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At the request of supporters, we give below a few facts and figures about  
**UNITED'S PROFESSIONAL SQUAD**

Player	D.O.B.	Birthplace	Height	Weight	Position
Tony Agana	2.10.63	London	5'11"	12 2	Striker
David Barnes	16.11.61	London	5'10"	11 5	Left Back
Graham Benstead	20.8.63	Aldershot	6'11"	13 7	Goalkeeper
Bob Booker	25.1.58	Watford	6'2½"	13 8	Midfield
Ian Bryson	26.11.62	Kilmarnock	5'11"	12 6	Left Midfield
Darren Carr	4.9.68	Bristol	6'2"	13 0	Defender
Brian Deane	7.2.68	Leeds	6'3"	13 10	Striker
Matthew Dickins	3.9.70	Sheffield	6'4"	14 0	Goalkeeper
Peter Duffield	4.2.69	Middlesbrough	5'6½"	10 6	Forward
John Flower	9.12.64	Northampton	6'3"	14 7	Centre Back
John Francis	21.11.63	Leeds	5'8"	12 0	Forward
James P. Gannon	7.9.68	London	6'2"	13 2	Defender
John Gannon	18.12.66	Wimbledon	5'9"	11 10	Midfield
Colin Hill	12.11.63	Hillingdon	5'11"	12 5	Right Back
Richard Lucas	22.9.70	Sheffield	5'10"	11 4	Utility
Mark Morris	26.9.62	Morden	6'1"	13 8	Centre Back
Martin Pike	21.10.64	South Shields	5'11"	12 5	Left Back
Cliff Powell	21.2.68	London	6'0"	12 5	Defender
Alan Roberts	8.12.64	Newcastle	5'9"	10 7	Midfield / Forward
Brian Smith	27.10.66	Sheffield	5'10"	11 10	Centre Back
Paul Stancliffe	5.5.58	Sheffield	6'2"	13 7	Centre Back
Mark Todd	4.12.67	Belfast	5'7"	10 6	Midfield
Simon Tracey	9.12.67	Wooland	6'0"	13 2	Goalkeeper
Mitchum Ward	9.6.71	Sheffield	5'8"	10 12	Defender
Simon Webster	20.1.64	Earl Shilton	6'2"	13 7	Midfield
Dane Whitehouse	14.10.70	Sheffield	5'9"	11 3	Midfield
Chris Wilder	23-9-67	Sheffield	5'11"	12 0	Right Back
Julian Winter	6.9.65	Huddersfield	6'0"	12 0	Midfield

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News of the Supporters's Clubs by Beryl Whitney



Good evening everyone. Welcome again to Bramall Lane to you all, and to those of you who have travelled far for tonight's game. I hope you have a good, safe journey back home.

I hope also that we all see a good game tonight. Mind you, it would perhaps be too much to expect a game as exciting as the one we saw against Brighton on Saturday. It was almost beyond belief, but certainly the type of match that will encourage new supporters to come along to the Lane. In all my years of watching United, I have never seen anything quite like it. Although, as a Unitedite, I was delighted that we won, I couldn't help but feel sorry for the Brighton players and fans. It isn't often a team scores four goals and goes away empty handed. Still, that's football — and it's great to see the Blades at the top of Division Two before tonight's match. Let's hope they can keep it up.

With the recent success of the team, I am delighted to report that as well as the two new Supporters Club branches I mentioned recently, I have now received application from Alan Fenton, Landlord of The Sheaf, Fraser Road, Woodseats, to form another. I am sure Alan would be pleased to hear from anyone living in the Woodseats area who is interested in joining.

The Branches in existence to date are as follows:

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On behalf of our members I would like to wish our 'walking wounded' a speedy recovery from their various injuries. It is sad to see so many at such an early stage in the season. Good to see 'Smithy' with his pot off and 'Webbo' making steady progress. Keep up the good work! A big Sheffield welcome to the latest Blade — Koji Noguchi. Although he won't be able to understand this, no doubt someone will translate for him!

I hope you all enjoy the game tonight. Regards to all.

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# From the Dressing Room

By Paul Stancliffe



I must be coming up for 600 matches, all told, in my career and I have played in some remarkable games.

But if ever I write my book, there will be mention of last Saturday's match with Brighton when we

were three up, 4-3 down and won 5-4. All of this came after the 3-3 draw at Middlesbrough.

It just goes to show that if it is goals and excitement you want, Bramall Lane just now is the place.

We were all delighted for John Francis on Saturday night. He was involved in the first goal scored by Bob Booker, got the second and fifth himself and was taken down to provide the penalty for the fourth.

It cannot be easy for a young player at Bramall Lane to work hard all week but feel that, come Saturday, other people will get in ahead of him. In Brian Deane and Tony Agana, we have just about the best front two in the division but

John Francis has got on with his work and the reward has come.

John got the adulation of the crowd, the sponsors' award and the man of the match nomination in the Press and he deserved every bit of it.

I can tell you that, as a defender, I was overwhelmed when John scored that marvellous winner. I wonder if there will be a better goal than that all season; lovely skills from The Jock (that's Ian Bryson of course) and a finish that the best headers of a ball in the game could not better.

If that goal had been on T.V. it would be shown over and over again and entered for the goal of the season award.

It gained the club three priceless points and put us on top of Division Two. I know that may not be important so early in the season. But it's nice to see the league table and I hope we are still there at ten past nine tonight — although our old pal Steve Foley and the Swindon lads will do their best to spoil it for us.

We have a good spirit going and a feeling that we can win, home and away.



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## BRADSHAW LOAN

United have taken striker Carl Bradshaw on a month's loan from Manchester City. Formerly with Sheffield Wednesday, Carl was involved in an exchange deal which took him to Maine Road, with Imre Varadi moving to Hillsborough. Unable to win a regular place with City, he comes to Bramall Lane to give United more cover up front. With Peter Duffield injured and Paul Williams no longer with the club, John Francis is the only other striker in the squad should Brian Deane or Tony Agana be unavailable.



## GREAT STUFF, BLADES

Before the Ipswich match, Dave Bassett received a cheque for £5,000 and three bottles of champagne from Mr. Ivan Fletcher of Barclays Bank in recognition of United's "Barclays Performance of the Week" at West Brom.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, RICH

Richard Lucas, one of United's young professionals, will be 19 next week — on 22nd September. Now that he has made it to the professional ranks, this will no doubt be one of his happiest birthdays. At least, we hope so and wish Rich a very pleasant day.

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# SPEAKING *Personally*

**David Barnes signed for United from Aldershot on 1st June, 1989. His previous career took him to Coventry City, Ipswich Town and Wolverhampton Wanderers. David is married to Tina and they have two young children.**

United's new left full-back has already made a big impression on our supporters. Determined, elegant and two-footed, he has settled quickly and comfortably into the new United defence. He speaks enthusiastically about his move to Bramall Lane.

"It's great to have this opportunity to get back to a big club — though I have to say that I was very well treated at Aldershot. But to be cheered on by big crowds — particularly away from home — creates a totally different kind of atmosphere for the players. It gives them an extra lift — in contrast to the ghost-like atmosphere we had when Aldershot visited a small club. The fans in Sheffield are terrific. They've got right behind us and this has helped the new players to settle in very quickly indeed."

David is, of course, accustomed to playing for "big" clubs. His career started as an apprentice with First Division Coventry City, though, as a young man, he made only nine first-team league appearances for the Sky Blues — plus four F.A. Cup appearances including a quarter-final match against West Bromwich Albion.

During his two-year stay at Coventry (1979-81) he made an international impact at Youth level.

"I won seven England Youth caps and helped England to win the European Youth Championships in Leipzig, East Germany. I have also had the good fortune through my football career, to travel to the United States and Saudi Arabia. I find it

very interesting to see different life-styles and cultures. It gives you a much broader perspective on everyday life back home — makes you more tolerant, I think."

In 1981, David moved to Ipswich Town. He was, in fact, Bobby Robson's last signing before he took over the job as England's Manager.

"Bobby's new job was a minor disaster for me", says David. "Obviously, he must have rated me or he wouldn't have signed me. Ipswich Town is a very nice club and I was really looking forward to playing with them.

Unfortunately, although I am a fairly easy-going sort of person, I didn't see eye to eye with the new manager, Bobby Ferguson, and, eventually, I asked for a transfer. Wolves came in and paid £35,000 for me. They were then in the Second Division — but I didn't seem to do them much good. We slumped down to the Third Division and then to the Fourth in consecutive seasons. Wolves seemed perfectly happy with my performances — I played for them in 88 league matches — because they offered me a two year contract. But I didn't really fancy playing in the Fourth, so I asked for a transfer. Aldershot made an offer and a tribunal fixed my transfer fee at £17,000. So I spent two happy years with the Shots, but my ambitions were not being fulfilled and it was very exciting to learn that Sheffield United were interested in me. So here I am — and looking forward very much to a new challenge."



David Barnes.

## MAKING A NEW START

"Changing clubs is always a worrying experience. On the one hand are the domestic problems — moving house and so on. On the other is meeting a lot of established players and wondering if you will fit in. On this occasion, I needn't have worried. The atmosphere in the dressing room is great and the new players have all been given a very nice welcome.

"On the playing side, Dave Bassett's style is new to me — I have always 'played to feet'. But, as a professional, it's my job to adapt to the requirements of the club and I think I have fitted in quite well. I have really enjoyed the matches in which I have played so far and, on our first few performances, we seem to be able to hold our own in the Second Division. If we can cope, as we have done, with West Brom, Ipswich and Middlesbrough, I don't think we have too much to worry about.

"On behalf of all the new players, I should like to thank our fans for giving us such a nice welcome. You can be sure that we shall do our best to repay them by playing as well as we can."

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# Today's VISITORS

## SWINDON RECOVER AFTER POOR START

Following their wonderful achievement of last season, when they qualified for the promotion play-offs, Swindon made a poor start to the new season. They lost their opening game 0-2 at home to Sunderland though they looked a vastly improved side a week later when they went to Oldham.

Alan McLoughlin and Duncan Shearer scored to give them a 2-0 advantage shortly after the interval. But they relaxed late in the game and ultimately had to settle for a 2-2 draw.

But Swindon recovered to score their first victory of the season at home to Wolves. Tom Jones, Duncan Shearer and Alan McLoughlin got the goals in a 3-1 success.

Ossie Ardiles, who took over as Swindon's player-manager during the summer, played as substitute in their early games and, if we are lucky, we may well see him in action at Bramall Lane this evening.

Mr. Ardiles, the Argentinian international who spent ten outstanding seasons with Spurs, succeeded Lou Macari as manager this summer. Mr. Macari, who had lifted the club from the Fourth Division to the brink of Division One, has now moved on to West Ham.

Last season Swindon qualified for the promotion play-offs. Sadly, their bid for First Division glory ended in the semi-final of the play-offs when they were beaten 1-2 on aggregate by Crystal Palace.

Only one of last season's successful team, midfielder Charlie Henry (now Aldershot), left during the summer. One new face to join the squad belongs to Republic of Ireland international winger Tony Galvin. Striker Alan Biley, who includes Derby and Everton among his many clubs, was also signed for a trial period.

We welcome Swindon tonight for only their 6th league visit to the Lane. The results of the previous encounters are:

		H	A
1969-70	div 2	1-2	1-2
1970-71	div 2	2-1	0-3
1979-80	div 3	2-1	2-3
1980-81	div 3	3-0	2-5
1987-88	div 2	1-0	0-2

There have been no draws as yet, and Swindon's record here is poor, but United's record at Swindon is even worse!

The clubs have met in two F.A. Cup ties. Swindon have won both. In 1907-8, as a non-league club, they won 3-2 at the Lane after a 0-0 draw, and in 1920-1 they won 1-0 at home.

## FIRST LEAGUE MEETING

The clubs first met in the league at Swindon, in Division 2, on 11th October 1969. Swindon were newly promoted and League Cup winners and managed by ex-Rotherham favourite Danny Williams. United were top of the league at the time, after 14 games, and Swindon were unbeaten at home. The game was the best seen at the County ground so far that season. It was open and several

more than three goals could have been scored. United missed many chances and towards the end Alan Hodgkinson had to make a series of saves with Swindon favourite Don Rogers playing well. As it was, Swindon won 2-1. Peter Noble heading in a Don Rogers free-kick after 20 minutes and Rogers himself scoring after 71 minutes. United's goal was a 30 yard Alan Woodward special, 90 seconds from time.

21,770 watched the game and the teams were:

United: Hodgkinson, Badger, Heaton, Barlow, Colquhoun, Powell, Woodward, Addison, Tudor, Currie, Reece. (Sub: Salmons).

Swindon: Downsborough, Thomas, Trollope, Butler, Burrows, Harland, Heath, Horsfield, Smart, Noble, Rogers. (Sub: Jones).

## LAST LEAGUE MEETINGS

The last league meetings were two seasons ago. The game at Swindon, on 22 August 1987, was Swindon's first home game of the season and they won 2-0 through goals by Calderwood and Quinn. The attendance was 8,637. The game at the Lane was on Sunday 20th December, kicking off at 11 o'clock. Richard Cadette scored the only goal, watched by a crowd of 7,248. The teams were:

United: Segers, Wilder, Pike, Kuhl, Stancliffe, Smith, Morris, Philliskirk, Cadette, Dempsey, Beagrie. (Subs: Marsden and Duffield).

Swindon: Hammond, Hockady, King, Kamara, Gittens, Calderwood, Barnes, Bamber, Quinn, Foley, White (Wade).

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## IT'S A FACT!

Swindon played in all 31 seasons of the old Division 3(S). Swindon have won more than half their league games against United (6 wins from 10 games). Only two other clubs have managed this, Shrewsbury and Southend (both 5 from 8). Seven clubs have won just half their league games with the Blades, namely Cambridge (2 games), Chesterfield (18), Colchester (6), Gillingham (10), Wimbledon (8), Wrexham (4), and, long ago, Bootle (2)!

There have been no draws in the 10 United-Swindon league games. Other clubs still to receive a league draw with the Blades are Crewe (4 games), Southend (8), Peterborough (2), Rochdale (2), York (2), Bootle (2) and Burton United (2), Newport (6).

Although United first met Swindon in a competitive game in 1907-8, the clubs had met, in a friendly, as far back as 12 November 1892, at Swindon. United won 6-0 and ex-Scots Guard Corporal Wood played in goal for the Blades.



Ossie Ardiles.

## THE SWINDON TOWN SQUAD

Player	Birthplace	Age	Previous Clubs
Leigh Barnard	Worsley	30	Portsmouth, Peterborough (loan), Exeter (loan)
Paul Bodin	Cardiff	22	Newport, Cardiff
Colin Calderwood	Glasgow	24	Mansfield
John Cornwell	Bethnal Green	24	Leyton Orient, Newcastle
Peter Coyne	Manchester	30	Manchester United, Crewe
Fraser Digby	Sheffield	22	—
Steve Foley	Liverpool	26	Liverpool, Fulham (loan), Grimsby, Sheffield United
Tony Galvin	Huddersfield	33	Tottenham, Sheffield Wednesday
David Geddes	Carlisle United	31	Barnsley, Birmingham, Brentford (loan), Shrewsbury
Jon Gittens	Moseley	25	Southampton
Nicky Hammond	Hornchurch	22	—
Dave Hockaday	Billingham	31	Blackpool
Paul Hunt	Swindon	17	—
Mark Jones	Berinsfield	27	Oxford
Tom Jones	Aldershot	24	Aberdeen
Phil King	Bristol	21	Exeter, Torquay
Ross McLaren	Edinburgh	27	Shrewsbury Town, Derby County
Alan McLoughlin	Manchester	22	Manchester United, Torquay (loan)
Paul O'Driscoll	Swindon	18	—
Tim Parkin	Penns	27	Blackburn Rovers, Bristol Rovers
Duncan Shearer	Fort William	31	Chelsea, Huddersfield Town
Fitzroy Simpson	Bradford-on-Avon	19	—
Nicky Summerbee	Altrincham	18	—
Adrian Viveash	Swindon	19	—
Steve White	Chipping Sodbury	30	Bristol Rovers, Luton T., Charlton A., Lincoln C. (loan)

## SWINDON TRACK RECORD

Founder members of Division Three 1920.

League Cup Winners 1969.

Anglo-Italian Cup Winners 1970.

Division Four Champions 1985-86.

Division Three Runners-up 1962-63, 1968-69.

Record Victory: 10-1 v Farnham United Breweries, F.A. Cup, 1925

Record Defeat 1-10 v Manchester City, F.A. Cup, 1930.

Most appearances: John Trollope (770).

Highest Total of League Goals: Harry Morris (216).

Highest Scorer in a Season: Harry Morris (47), 1926-27.

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# What a MATCH



*Recollections of a previous game against Swindon Town by Andy Pack*

## **SHEFFIELD UNITED 3 SWINDON TOWN 0**

(Scorers: Kenworthy (pen.), Peters, Trusson)

League Division 3, 6th September, 1980, Crowd: 12,089

Swindon's visit to the Lane on this occasion is as poignant a reminder as any that the changing fortunes of football clubs and the characters in it can be devastating.

Sheffield United and World Cup Star Martin Peters in particular can look back on the Blades 3-0 victory with doubtful pleasure whereas Swindon's plight at the time turned out to be relatively unimportant.

It was an early season of high promise for Lane fans. Their team had won three of the first four games, were about to make it four from five, and were top of the league.

Under the guidance of Harry Haslam and the coaching and playing ability of the highly acclaimed Peters they were confident of making a sustained challenge for Division II status.

Swindon were installed as one of the pre-season favourites for promotion but

unaccountably found themselves without a point.

The game itself went according to the script and provided entertaining fare for the now much-lamented "Match of the Day" coverage on Saturday nights.

Sheffield United: Richardson, Cutbush, Houston, Kenworthy, MacPhail, Matthews, Tibbott, Trusson, Butlin, Hatton, Peters (Garner).

Swindon: Allen, Lewis, Peach, Kamara, Rollings, Carter, Miller, Hamilton, Rowland (Henry), Mayes, Greenwood.

United were blending their new players in nicely and developing their own style of football but the fans and team alike needed to show patience, despite their superiority they did not put the game beyond Swindon until Peters' goal late in the game.

The 41st minute penalty expertly put away by KENWORTHY was made by Tibbott who was pulled down by Allen. United's left-back turned midfielder was earning praise for his growing standards in his new role, as was Mick Trusson.



Tony Kenworthy — on target from the penalty spot.

The tall signing from Plymouth was improving rapidly and showing greater assurance in supplying the incisive pass instead of the safe one; the penalty was a good example.

Old warhorse Bob Hatton was the major thorn in Swindon side, oozing class and unlucky not to score, despite the cameras recording one uncharacteristic bad miss after he had drifted past the goalkeeper.

His all-round display gave ample credence to his pre-match award of the 2nd Division's best player during the previous April.

With Butlin rejuvenated and the new midfield running intelligently, United had the visitors in real difficulties, hitting the woodwork twice before the penalty award. A second goal was needed though to avoid the tragedy of being pegged back by a Swindon breakthrough. PETERS, master of the surprise, supplied it in typical fashion.

He made it look ridiculously easy, sneaking in to nod Trusson's inswinging corner home and score his third goal for United (78 minutes).

When TRUSSON added a somewhat fortuitous third after a Matthews miscue five minutes later, Swindon were sunk. Their acclaimed pairing of Rowland and Mayes, perhaps the deadliest strike-force in the Division, threatened only fitfully and the skilful visitors lacked the conviction to make things happen.

Things were looking so bright for United — top of the league, no goals conceded at home, the experience and emerging coaching promise of Peters and so on. Even Haslam was moved to assert, "We don't lose our way any more."

They were to be kicked in the teeth. By January, Peters had to take over from the seriously ill Haslam and when Don Givens missed THAT penalty on 2nd May the early-season table-toppers were relegated. Troubled Swindon reversed the situation and stayed up. Such is the stuff of football fortune.

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His favourite United players are Brian Deane, Mark Todd and Chris Wilder.

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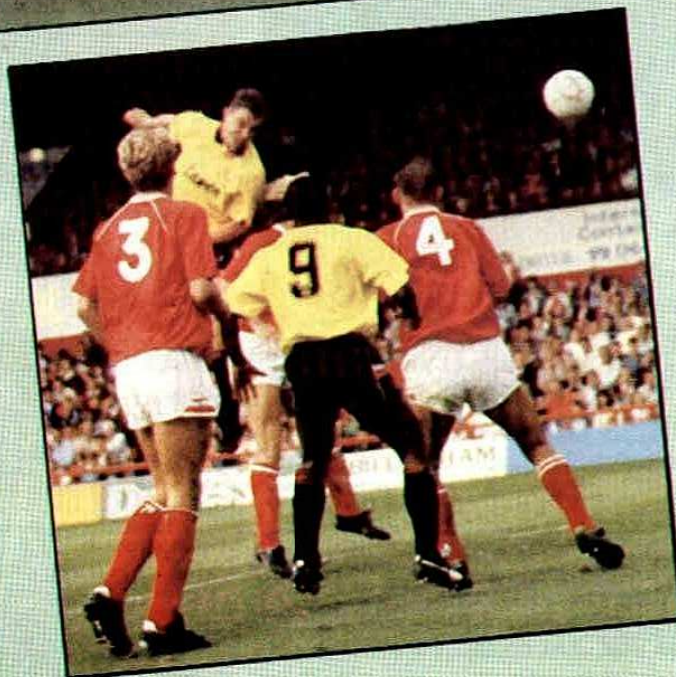
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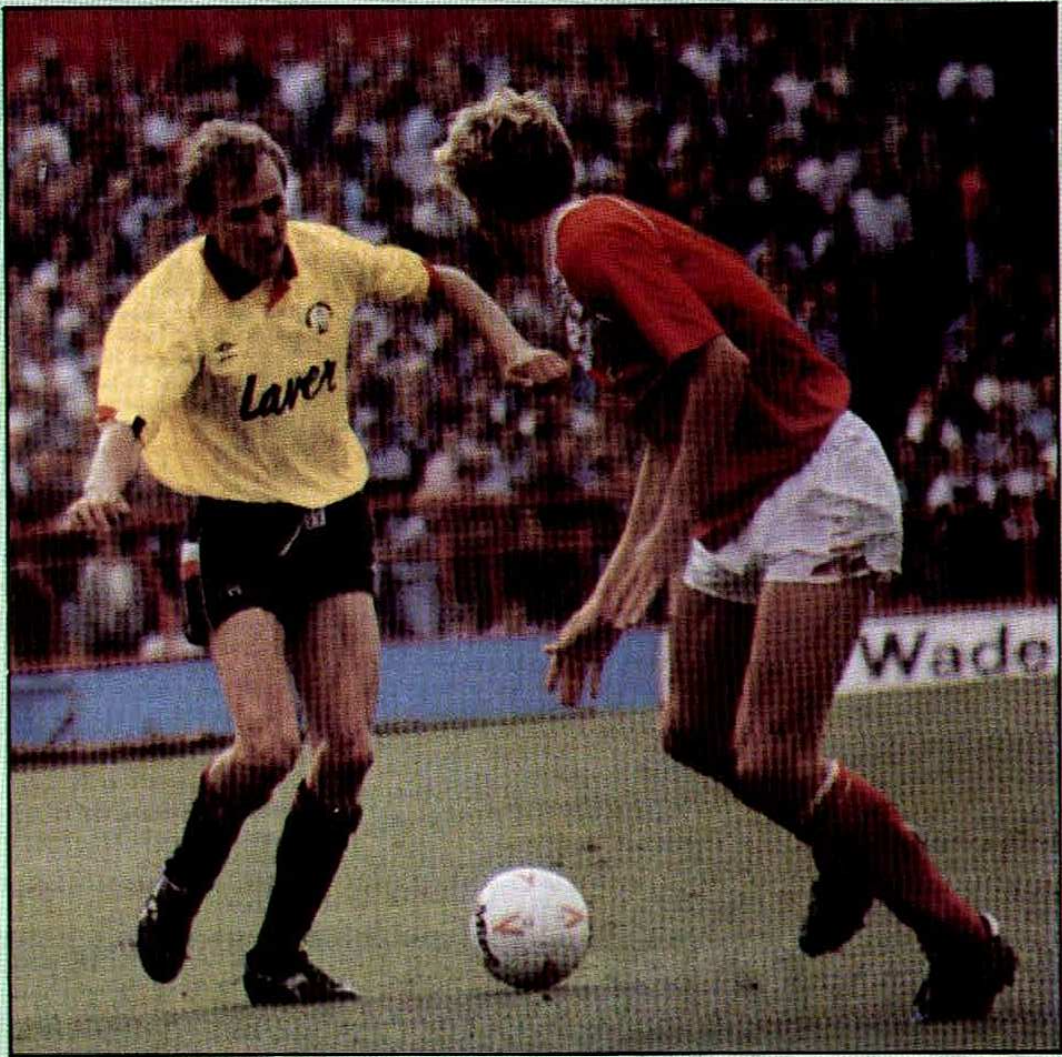
Above: Jubilation as John Francis' looping header drops behind the goalkeeper and into the net to give United an early lead.

Left: Ian Bryson leaps high to meet Colin Hill's inch-perfect cross to put United 2-1 up.

Top right: Alan Roberts, beautifully balanced, takes on his Middlesbrough opponent.

Right: A cross from Roberts, an intelligent header from Francis — and Bryson strikes the ball firmly over the keeper's head for United's third.







# Pontins League

## RESERVE REPORT

**Huddersfield Town 2  
Sheffield United 5**

### FIRST POINTS IN NEW PONTINS LEAGUE

Game played on Wednesday,  
6th September, 1989.

Huddersfield Town: Leake, Weatherhead,  
Charlton, Shelton, Duggan (Boothroyd),  
Mitchell, Bent, Byrne, Unvora, Maguire,  
Donovan. Unused sub: Haylock.

Sheffield United: Benstead, Wilder,  
Lucas, Pike, Jim Gannon, Powell, Ward,  
Todd, Bradshaw, Francis (Wagstaff),  
Whitehouse. Unused sub: Reed.

United won their first points in the new  
Pontins League with a 5-2 scoreline after  
twice falling behind in the first half.

The experienced United side began well  
when Wilder's lob caught the goalkeeper  
of his line, but he managed to scramble  
back to tip it for a corner. But it was  
Huddersfield who took the lead in the  
9th minute. After a flick-on in midfield,  
the ball fell into the path of the  
unmarked Maguire. Benstead came off  
his line and, for his pains, got the  
striker's studs in the ribs — a painful  
blow. The ball ran loose, the referee  
surprisingly allowed play to continue,  
and Maguire had the easiest of tasks to  
roll the ball into the net. Benstead  
required lengthy treatment before  
continuing. Five minutes later, the  
Blades were level. Dane Whitehouse  
received a ball on the left wing,  
controlled it well, beat two players

and crossed accurately for John Francis  
to flick the ball home.

They say that a side is at its most  
vulnerable after just scoring — and this  
proved to be the case, with Huddersfield  
regaining the lead immediately. An  
unmarked Maguire received the ball on  
the right wing, crossed it and found the  
head of Huddersfield's new scoring  
sensation Unvora who put the ball tidily  
into the net.

In the 20th minute, an inswinging corner  
from the right by Dane Whitehouse  
reached Carl Bradshaw who headed the  
ball firmly into the net to put United  
level again.

Martin Pike, playing in midfield, was  
booked for what appeared to be a  
harmless foul.

Five minutes from half time, a through  
ball from Mark Todd reached John  
Francis, who was up-ended in the  
penalty area. Unfortunately, Mitch  
Ward's poorly-struck penalty kick was  
easily saved by Leake. Just before  
half-time, the Huddersfield keeper  
again saved his side when he tipped  
over a good shot by John Francis, who  
had looked a lot happier with a  
recognised striker — Bradshaw —  
playing alongside him.

United dominated the second half, with  
Benstead virtually a spectator. The  
skilful Whitehouse and the energetic  
Francis were particularly impressive.

In the last 15 minutes, the Blades took  
total control and scored three times.  
They took the lead for the first time in  
the match when a Todd cross found  
Bradshaw, whose header across goal  
enabled Wilder to run in and shoot  
home. A minute later, Ward picked up  
the ball in midfield, took it forward and  
released it to Bradshaw who scored  
easily to put the result beyond doubt. By  
now, Huddersfield were overwhelmed. A  
great move, starting with Pike, was  
continued by Whitehouse who put in a  
brilliant cross. Bradshaw, sliding in, just  
failed to register a brilliant hat-trick by  
putting the ball over the bar. Continuous  
United pressure brought an inevitable  
fifth goal. Starting with Rich Lucas, an  
attack developed. The keeper pushed at  
a shot, but it fell to Mark Todd on the  
right. His cross was nodded down by  
Bradshaw into the path of apprentice  
Russell Wagstaff who scored his first  
goal of the season.

So a nap hand for United and an  
impressive start by on-loan Carl  
Bradshaw.

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# The YOUNG BLADES

N. INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

Wednesday, 26th August, 1989

## SHEFFIELD UNITED 0 SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY 4

Team: Harrison, Watkins, Ford, Reed, Fickling, Wagstaff, Atkinson, Phillips, Morris, Fenwick, Circuit. Subs: Jacques (for Atkinson), Heywood (for Fenwick).

Sheffield Wednesday took an early lead from a cross from their right flank. A lack of communication between United's defenders allowed the scorer a free strike at goal.

Similar lack of team-work and concentration enabled the Owls to score a second goal. During a United attack, a simple defensive header set up a Wednesday counter attack and they scored from the breakaway.

Before half-time, Wednesday added a third. Following a penalty-area flurry, the ball broke to the left side and was struck towards goal. With a United defender turning his back as the ball was struck, the ball was deflected into the net. This incident provided a lesson in discipline — do not turn your back in this type of defensive situation.

The second half brought some improvement and United had a fair amount of possession, displaying some satisfactory team work. Unfortunately, they created very few scoring chances and they were not dealt with very convincingly.

Wednesday scored a fourth goal with two minutes to play.

N. INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

Saturday, 2nd September, 1989

## SHEFFIELD UNITED 4 GRIMSBY TOWN 2

Team: Harrison, Watkins, Ingram, Circuit, Wagstaff, Fickling, Heywood, Reed, Morris, Fenwick, Jacques. Subs: Atkinson (for Heywood), Noguchi (for Jacques).

This was a very convincing performance, with a high percentage of attacking play throughout the game. United dominated the first half, but always looked slightly vulnerable to any form of counter attack. It was from such an attack that Grimsby took a surprise lead. Although the young Blades created quite a few first-half chances, they failed, through poor technique, to translate them into goals.

The same pattern continued into the second half and Colin Heywood equalised. Having received the ball near the halfway line, he took it forward, played a good 1-2 with Ashley Fenwick and scored confidently from just inside the penalty box. In one of their rare attacks — and against the run of play — Grimsby took the lead for the second time. The introduction of young Japanese player, Noguchi, as substitute, changed the course of the match completely. He played wide on the left-hand side and duly obliged with a hat-trick, all scored from the left side of the penalty area.

So United got a well-deserved victory after an encouraging all-round team performance.



Colin Heywood — scored United's first goal.



Koji Noguchi — impressive hat-trick.

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With so much transfer activity during the summer, many of our supporters have asked us to print a list involving Second Division clubs to enable them to keep up to date. So here are details of such transfers during the close season — as supplied to us by Barclays League.

	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>		<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Mark Stimson	Tottenham H.	Newcastle U.	Tim Sherwood	Watford	Norwich C.
Micky Thomas	Shrewsbury T.	Leeds United	Sean Reek	Oxford U.	Wrexham
Vinny Jones	Wimbledon	Leeds United	Rhys Wilmot	Arsenal	Plymouth A.
David Penney	Derby C.	Oxford U.	Andy Thomas	Bradford C.	Plymouth A.
John Paskin	West. Brom.	Wolves	Graham Shaw	Stoke C.	Preston N.E.
John Hendrie	Newcastle U.	Leeds U.	Ian Cranson	Sheffield Wed.	Stoke City
Nicky Cross	Leicester C.	Port Vale	Ian Banks	West Brom.	Barnsley
Alan Davies	Swansea C.	Bradford C.	John Sheridan	Leeds U.	Nottingham F.
Owen Archdeacon	Celtic	Barnsley	Ian Bishop	Bournemouth	Manchester C.
Peter Skipper	Oldham A.	Walsall	Paul Moulden	Manchester C.	Bournemouth
Ian Scott	Manchester C.	Stoke C.	Charlie Henry	Swindon T.	Aldershot
Mike Newell	Leicester C.	Everton	John Stiles	Leeds U.	Doncaster R.
Paul Hardyman	Portsmouth	Sunderland	Mark McGhee	Celtic	Newcastle U.
Wayne Clarke	Everton	Leicester C.	John Kelly	Oldham A.	Walsall
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Mel Sterland	Rangers	Leeds U.	Tommy Wright	Oldham A.	Leicester C.
Jim Beglin	Liverpool	Leeds U.	Trevor Putney	Norwich C.	Middlesbrough
Bernard McNally	Shrewsbury T.	West Brom.	Steve Doyle	Sunderland	Hull C.
John Thomas	Bolton W.	West Brom.	Michael O'Neill	Newcastle U.	Dundee
Neil Aspin	Leeds U.	Port Vale	Neil Adams	Everton	Oldham A.
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Tony Lange	Aldershot	Wolves	Phil Kite	Gillingham	Bournemouth
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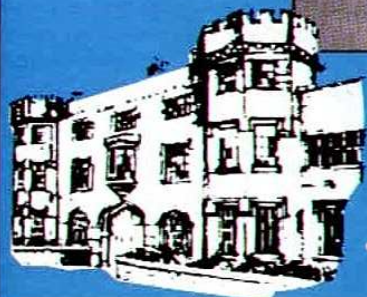
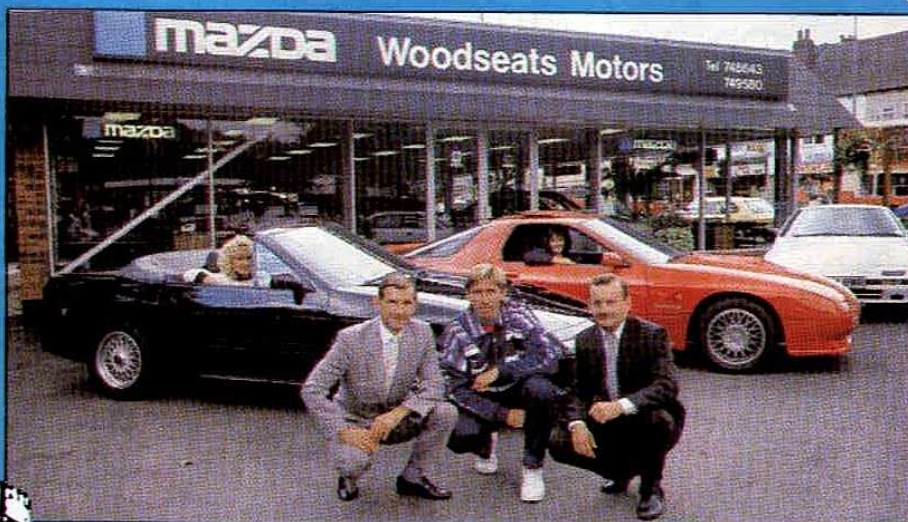
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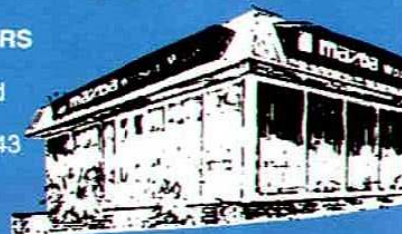
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Did you notice that the F.A. Cup has got under way again? Simon Barnes, a sports correspondent in *The Times*, picked out the highlights of the preliminary round as Annfield Plain — he pointed out that this team came from County Durham but gave it the Liverpool spelling of Anfield — v Shotton Comrades; Clitheroe v Bedlington Terriers; Friar Lane Old Boys v Farsley Celtic; Milton Keynes Wolverton Town v Irthlingborough Diamonds. I wonder what progress they will make on that long journey which ends at Wembley?

Part of the magic of the F.A. Cup certainly lies in the progress of the little clubs, but as they advance through each succeeding round, financial temptation lies in store, with the possibility of switching a home tie to the ground of the bigger club, or finding a nearby ground with more suitable accommodation. These matters seem to be arranged amicably enough these days — Unitedites will remember Burscough coming to the Lane — but in years gone by, there could be a real trial of strength and a reminder of such an episode comes with Swindon's visit to the Lane today.

United had played two friendly matches at Swindon in the early 1890's but the Cup-tie in January, 1908, was the first competitive game between the two clubs. The County Ground accommodated far fewer spectators in those days and so the Swindon Club approached United as to the possibility of switching the match to Bramall Lane.

United offered Swindon a guarantee of £350, and a half share of the income if the gate exceeded £700, but received a telegram in reply asking for £500 and half the gate if it exceeded £800. The United Directors were unanimous in deciding to reject the offer and the game was played at Swindon. The price of admission

was fixed at one shilling with reserved seats at three shillings and applications had to be made to Mr. S. Allen, Evelyn Street, Swindon. Unitedites were asked to forward their requests for seats with some urgency as numbers would be limited, and were informed that our Secretary, John Nicholson would shortly be travelling to Swindon "to inspect the ground arrangements."



Joe Leivesley,  
Rare errors against Swindon.

Swindon had never reached this stage of the competition before but they were on a rising tide with a splendid inside forward called Harold Fleming who would soon win a regular place in the England team. Their tactics according to the writer — almost certainly Secretary Nicholson — in the United programme seem curiously familiar. "With dash and energy . . . to get the ball into their opponents' quarters and have a shot at any distance or angle." They certainly unsettled United who were happy to draw the game at Swindon and two rare errors from Joe Leivesley brought a victory for the Wiltshire men in the replay.

# Looking BACK



by  
Denis Clarebrough

## A PROBLEM OF SPELLING

Some of you may have noticed the difference in spelling of the name Leivesley in my article compared to that on the cigarette card of our old goalkeeper. Names can still provide spelling problems and my own surname seems at times to provide scope for an infinite number of variations.

Joe Leivesley was his preferred method of spelling though his name usually appeared as Lievesley in the United programme. Another famous goalkeeper of ours suffered the same fate: Bill Foulke was correct, or so the big man claimed, but Foulkes was seen more frequently in print.

The problem was more acute in the nineteenth century as anyone of you who might have tackled a little bit of ancestor tracing will have discovered, but the problem persists to this day. Two of our recent players provide examples. Are the correct spellings Bob Atkins and John MacPhail or Atkin and McPhail? Both appear in United programmes but our Club seemed to settle on the first pair and I assume they are correct.

Other former United players with this problem as to the correct spelling of their surname include Billy Beer (Beers), Joe Brooks (Brookes); Alf Jeffries (Jefferies); Mick Killourhy (all sorts of possibilities with this one) and Alf Tootill (Toothill).

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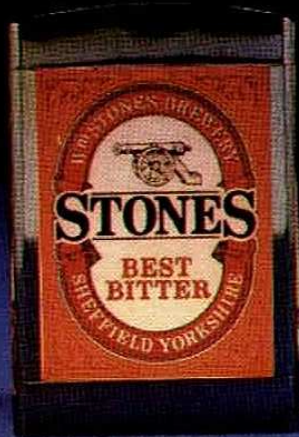
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11	W	Leeds United	
18	W	<b>Oldham Athletic</b>	
24	Tu	Notts County	
30	M	Leicester City	
November			
8	W	<b>Derby County</b>	
14	Tu	Everton	
22	W	<b>Coventry City</b>	
28	Tu	Bradford City	
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31	W	Hull City	
February			
6	Tu	Coventry City	
14	W	<b>Bradford City</b>	
19	M	<b>Manchester City</b>	
26	M	Aston Villa	
March			
13	Tu	Oldham Athletic	
21	W	<b>Notts County</b>	
26	M	<b>Leicester City</b>	
April			
4	W	<b>Newcastle United</b>	
11	W	Nottingham Forest	
17	Tu	<b>Blackburn Rovers</b>	
24	Tu	Derby County	
May			
2	W	<b>Everton</b>	

Home games in **Bold** type  
Kick-off 7.30 p.m. (unless stated)

## N. INTER. LEAGUE FIXTURES 1989/90

August			
19	S	<b>Huddersfield Town</b>	0-3
26	S	<b>Sheff. Wednesday</b>	0-4
September			
2	S	<b>Grimsby Town</b>	4-2
9	S	<b>Barnsley</b> (KO Cup)	1-2
16	S	Scarborough	
23	S	<b>York City</b>	
30	S	Rotherham United	
October			
7	S	<b>Sunderland</b> (12 noon)	
14	S	Middlesbrough	
21	S	<b>Hull City</b>	
28	S	Barnsley	
November			
4	S	<b>Scunthorpe United</b>	
18	S	Leeds United	
25	S	<b>Bradford City</b>	
December			
4	M	Halifax Town	
9	S	<b>Newcastle U.</b> (1.00)	
16	S	Doncaster Rovers	
23	S	<b>Doncaster Rovers</b>	
30	S	<b>Hartlepool United</b>	
January 1990			
6	S	Huddersfield Town	
13	S	Sheffield Wednesday	
20	S	Grimsby Town	
27	S	<b>Scarborough</b>	
February			
3	S	York City	
10	S	<b>Rotherham United</b>	
17	S	Sunderland	
24	S	<b>Middlesbrough</b>	
March			
3	S	Hull City	
10	S	<b>Barnsley</b>	
17	S	Scunthorpe United	
24	S	<b>Leeds United</b>	
31	S	Bradford City	
April			
7	S	<b>Halifax Town</b> (10.00)	
14	S	Newcastle United	

Home games in **Bold** type. All home matches will be played at the University Ground, Warminster Road, kick-off 11.00 a.m. (unless otherwise stated)

## OPPONENTS

AUG	19	West Bromwich Albion	3-0	14,907
	22	<b>Rotherham United</b> (LC1, 1L)	1-1	11,136
	26	<b>Ipswich Town</b>	2-0	13,670
	29	Rotherham United (LC1, 2L)	0-1	11,833
SEPT	2	Middlesbrough	3-3	17,897
	9	<b>Brighton &amp; Hove Albion</b>	5-4	12,653
	12	<b>Swindon Town</b>		
	16	Plymouth Argyle		
	23	<b>Hull City</b>		
	28	<b>Oldham Athletic</b>		
	30	Sunderland		
OCT	7	Wolverhampton Wanderers		
	14	<b>West Ham United</b>		
	17	Barnsley		
	21	<b>Stoke City</b>		
	28	Watford		
	31	<b>Portsmouth</b>		
NOV	4	<b>Leicester City</b>		
	11	AFC Bournemouth		
	19	<b>Bradford City</b>		
	25	Newcastle United		
DEC	2	<b>West Bromwich Albion</b>		
	9	Swindon Town		
	16	Port Vale		
	26	<b>Leeds United</b>		
	30	<b>Blackburn Rovers</b>		
JAN	1	Oxford United		
	6	F.A. Cup Third Round		
	13	Ipswich Town		
	20	<b>Middlesbrough</b>		
FEB	3	Hull City		
	10	<b>Plymouth Argyle</b>		
	17	Brighton & H. Albion		
	24	<b>Newcastle United</b>		
MAR	3	Bradford City		
	6	<b>Sunderland</b>		
	10	Oldham Athletic		
	17	<b>Wolverhampton Wanderers</b>		
	21	West Ham United		
	24	<b>Barnsley</b>		
	31	Stoke City		
APRIL	7	Portsmouth		
	10	<b>Watford</b>		
	14	<b>Oxford United</b>		
	16	Leeds United		
	21	<b>Port Vale</b>		
	24	Blackburn Rovers		
	28	<b>AFC Bournemouth</b>		
MAY	5	Leicester City		
	12	F.A. Cup Final		

## NEXT HOME MATCH

BARCLAYS LEAGUE  
DIVISION TWO  
Saturday,  
23rd September, 1989

# HULL CITY

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

## N. Intermediate League (up to 1st September, 1989)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Huddersfield T.	3	3	0	0	12	6	9
Sheffield Wed.	3	3	0	0	11	5	9
Bradford City	3	2	1	0	9	5	7
Sunderland	3	2	1	0	5	2	7
York City	4	2	1	1	8	7	7
Newcastle U.	3	2	0	1	12	4	6
Hull City	3	2	0	1	6	4	6
Rotherham U.	2	1	1	0	7	6	4
Middlesbrough	3	1	1	1	7	8	4
Hartlepool	3	1	0	2	8	7	3
Doncaster R.	3	1	0	2	7	7	3
Scarborough	3	1	0	2	3	4	3
SHEFF. UNITED	3	1	0	2	4	9	3
Grimsby Town	3	1	0	2	1	10	3
Scunthorpe U.	2	0	2	0	1	1	2
Leeds United	3	0	1	2	4	6	1
Halifax Town	3	0	0	3	1	6	0
Barnsley	4	0	0	4	6	14	0

## SENIOR BLADES SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Senior Blades, which is open to supporters aged 60+, has just published its social programme. Details for September are as follows:

**Sunday 10th September**  
Social Evening in the Executive Suite 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. Dancing and Bingo. Admission 50p.

**Tuesday, 12th September**  
Monthly Meeting at 2.00 p.m. in the Executive Suite Speaker Mr. Ronald Ward on Postal History.

**Sunday, 17th September**  
Social Evening in the Executive Suite 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.

**Sunday, 17th September**  
Day out to London, with visit to Thames Television to see Windsor Davies and Donald Sinden in "Never The Twain". Depart Lane Car Park 9.30 a.m. Price: £5.50.

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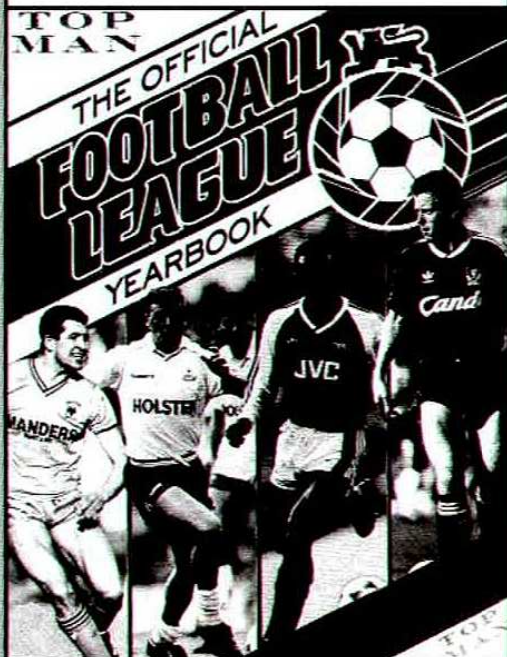


# THIS SEASON'S FACTS AND FIGURES

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Tracey	Hill	Barnes <sup>B</sup>	Booker	Stancliffe	Morris	Roberts	Jn. Gannon	Agana <sup>2</sup>	Deane <sup>1</sup>	Bryson	Francis	Whitehouse
Tracey	Hill	Barnes	Booker	Stancliffe	Morris	Roberts	Jn. Gannon	Agana	Deane <sup>1</sup>	Bryson	Francis <sup>(9)</sup>	Pike
Tracey	Hill	Barnes	Booker	Stancliffe	<b>Morris<sup>1</sup></b>	Roberts	Jn. Gannon	Agana	Deane <sup>1</sup>	Bryson	Todd	Whitehouse
Tracey	Hill <sup>B</sup>	Barnes	Booker	Stancliffe	Morris	Roberts	Jn. Gannon <sup>B</sup>	Agana	Deane	Bryson	Francis <sup>(7)</sup>	Todd <sup>(4)</sup>
Tracey	Hill	Barnes	Booker	Stancliffe	Morris	Roberts	Jn. Gannon	Francis <sup>1</sup>	Deane	Bryson <sup>2</sup>	Whitehouse <sup>(9)</sup>	Pike <sup>(8)</sup>
Tracey	Hill	Barnes	<b>Booker<sup>1</sup></b>	Stancliffe	Morris	Roberts	Jn. Gannon	Francis <sup>2</sup>	Deane	<b>Bryson<sup>1</sup></b>	Whitehouse <sup>(7)</sup>	Bradshaw

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## TEST YOUR FOOTBALL KNOWLEDGE

- Who finished 3rd in Division One last season?
- Which team finished 6th in the Fourth Division last season, yet were still promoted — thanks to the play-offs?
- Who was Sheffield United's third top scorer — in league matches last season — after Agana and Deane?
- Who knocked Sheffield United out of the Littlewoods Cup last season?
- Which team did United beat in the 4th Round of the F.A. Cup last season?
- Which United player was born in a place called Earl Shilton?
- Who won the Vauxhall Conference League last season?
- Name the losing semi-finalists in last season's Littlewood Cup.
- Which two teams contested last season's Scottish League (Skol) Cup Final?
- Who finished one place above Darlington last season?
- Which Third Division team did Liverpool beat in the quarter-final of last season's F.A. Cup.
- Liverpool full-back David Burrows was signed from which Second Division club?
- Who was the last player to be sent off while playing for England?
- Who was the First Division's top goalscorer last season?
- Which club's ground is at Blundell Park?
- Which team did Chelsea beat 7-0 away from home last season?
- Which team did Leyton Orient beat 8-0 last season?
- Who was the Second Division "Manager of the Year" last season?
- Who was a United substitute in 24 league matches last season?
- Which former United player is now Commercial Manager for Leicester City?

ANSWERS: 1. Nottingham Forest 2. Leyton Orient 3. Peter Dunfield 4. Manchester City 5. Colchester United 6. Simon Webster 7. Maidstone United 8. Bristol City and West Ham United 9. Rangers beat Aberdeen 3-2 10. Doncaster Rovers 11. Brentford 12. West Bromwich Albion 13. Ray Wilkins 14. Alan Smith (Larsen) 15. Gmimsby Town 16. Watford 17. Colchester United 18. Bobby Campbell (Chelsea) 19. John Francis 20. Alan Burchenall

Questions supplied by Chris's Quizzes.  
Contact Chris Wintle on Sheffield 749756.

Scorers in **Bold type** † After extra time \*Own goal <sup>B</sup>Booked <sup>S</sup>Sent off The numbers in brackets in the substitutes' columns indicate the players substituted. These fixtures are the copyright of The Football League Ltd. and are not to be reproduced without permission.

## TONIGHT'S REFEREE

Our referee tonight is Mr. Michael Reed who lives in Birmingham. A financial consultant by profession, he is a married man with a 7½-year-old son Stuart.

Mr. Reed began his refereeing career in 1973, starting in the Birmingham & District Works A.F.A. and then in the West Midlands Regional League. He became a Football League linesman in 1982, and gained Football League Referee status in 1985.

He has officiated in a number of important matches in Britain and overseas, including running the line in the 1988 Charity Shield match between Liverpool and Wimbledon in 1988.

His hobbies and interests include photography, gardening and most sports.

We wish Mr. Reed and his linesmen an enjoyable match this evening at Bramall Lane.

## BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION 2

(as at 10th September, 1989)

	Goals					Goals					Pts
	P	W	D	L	F A	W	D	L	F A		
SHEFF. UNITED	4	2	0	0	7 4	1	1	0	6	3	10
Sunderland	5	2	0	1	8 5	1	1	0	3	1	10
West Ham United	5	2	1	0	6 3	0	2	0	2	2	9
Blackburn Rovers	5	1	1	0	3 2	1	2	0	2	1	9
Ipswich Town	5	1	1	0	4 2	1	1	1	5	5	8
Bournemouth	5	2	1	0	8 6	0	1	1	2	3	8
Watford	5	2	0	0	4 1	0	2	1	2	6	8
Newcastle United	4	2	0	0	7 3	0	1	1	3	4	7
Barnsley	5	2	1	0	5 3	0	0	2	2	5	7
Brighton	4	2	0	0	4 1	0	0	2	4	6	6
Plymouth Argyle	4	2	0	0	4 1	0	0	2	4	6	6
Leeds United	5	1	2	0	4 3	0	1	1	3	6	6
Middlesbrough	5	1	1	0	7 5	0	1	2	3	5	5
Swindon Town	4	1	0	1	3 3	0	2	0	3	3	5
Oldham Athletic	5	1	2	0	6 5	0	0	2	1	3	5
Oxford United	4	1	1	0	3 2	0	1	1	2	4	5
Port Vale	4	1	1	0	2 1	0	1	1	2	4	5
W.B.A.	5	0	1	1	1 4	1	1	1	5	4	5
Stoke City	5	0	2	0	2 2	0	2	1	2	3	4
Hull City	4	0	2	0	2 2	0	1	1	6	7	3
Portsmouth	4	0	2	0	2 2	0	1	1	1	2	3
Bradford City	5	0	2	0	3 3	0	1	2	2	5	3
Wolverhampton W.	4	0	2	0	1 1	0	0	2	3	7	2
Leicester City	5	0	1	2	3 6	0	1	1	2	4	2



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So, if you feel that you would like to contribute, in a positive way, to the future of Sheffield United, this is your chance. To obtain further details, without any obligation, please contact George McCabe at the club — Tel: 738955.

## BLADES TRAVEL CLUB — PLYMOUTH ARGYLE

Saturday, 16th September, 1989

Depart: 8.00 a.m. Fare: £15.00.

*Plymouth Argyle F.C., Home Park, Plymouth, Devon PL2 3DQ.*

*Tel: (0752) 562561. Programme Price: 80p.*

*Admission Prices: Seats: £5.50 (limited supply at Bramall Lane),*

*Standing £3.50 (pay at turnstiles).*

**Route to ground.** Take A38 to Tavistock Road (A386); then branch left, following signs Plymouth (A386). Turn right after ¼ mile, then left into Outland Road (A3041) for ground.

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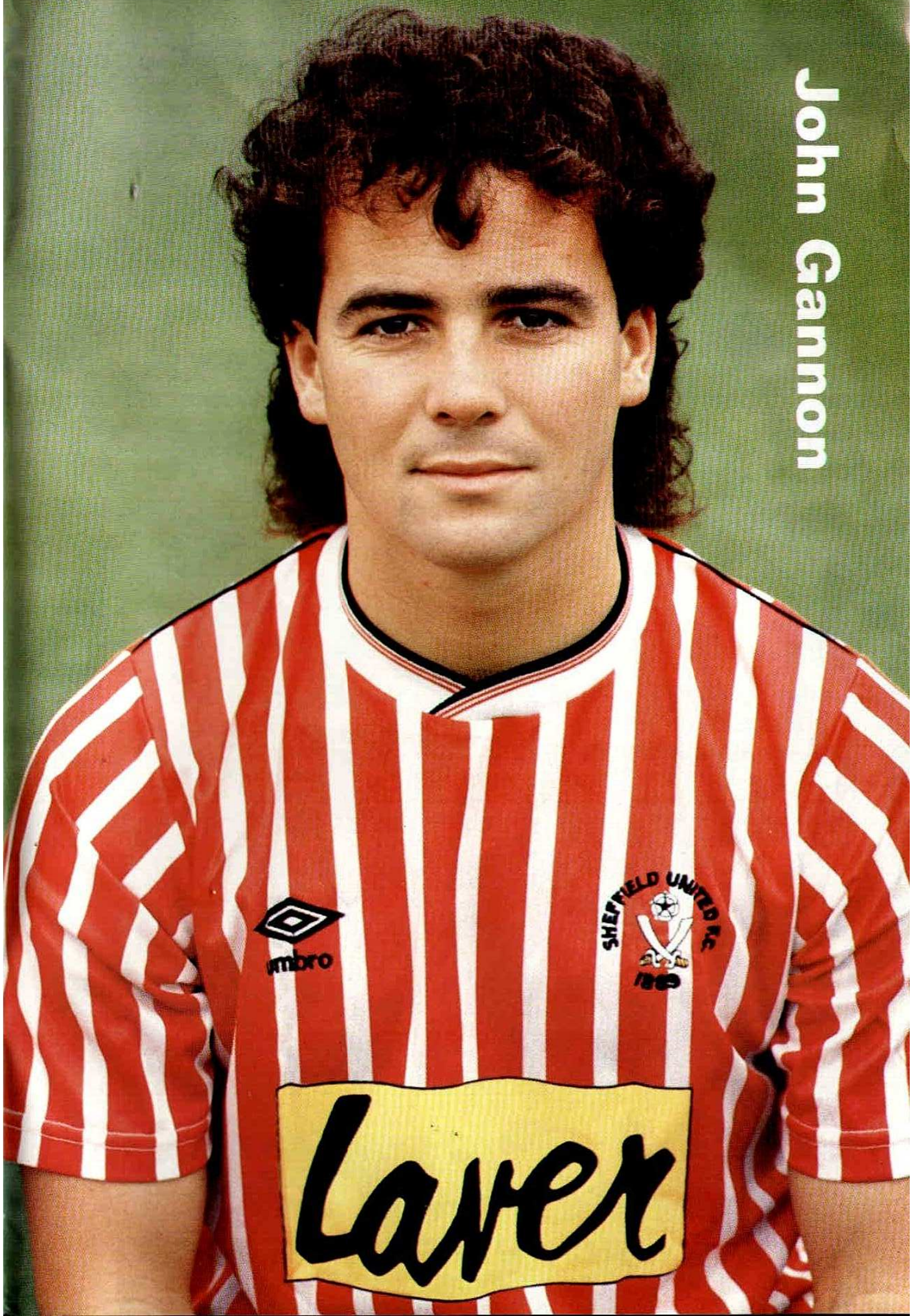
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COLIN HILL	2
DAVID BARNES	3
BOB BOOKER	4
PAUL STANCLIFFE	5
MARK MORRIS	6
ALAN ROBERTS	7
JOHN GANNON	8
TONY AGANA	9
BRIAN DEANE	10
IAN BRYSON	11
	12
	14

## SWINDON TOWN

FRASER DIGBY
LEIGH BARNARD
PHIL KING
ALAN McLOUGHLIN
JON GITTENS
COLIN CALDERWOOD
TOM JONES
DUNCAN SHEARER
STEVE WHITE
ROSS MACLAREN
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