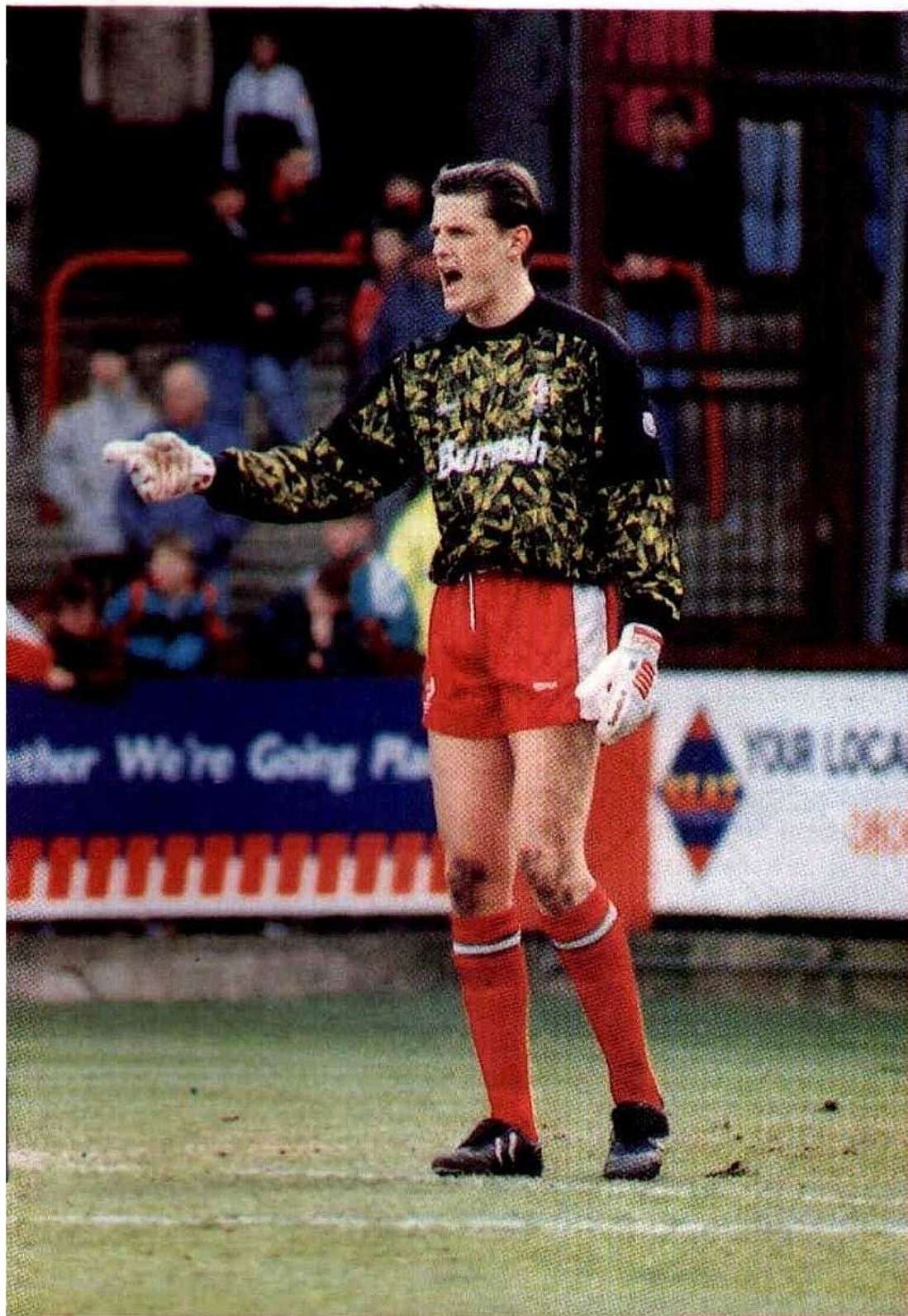


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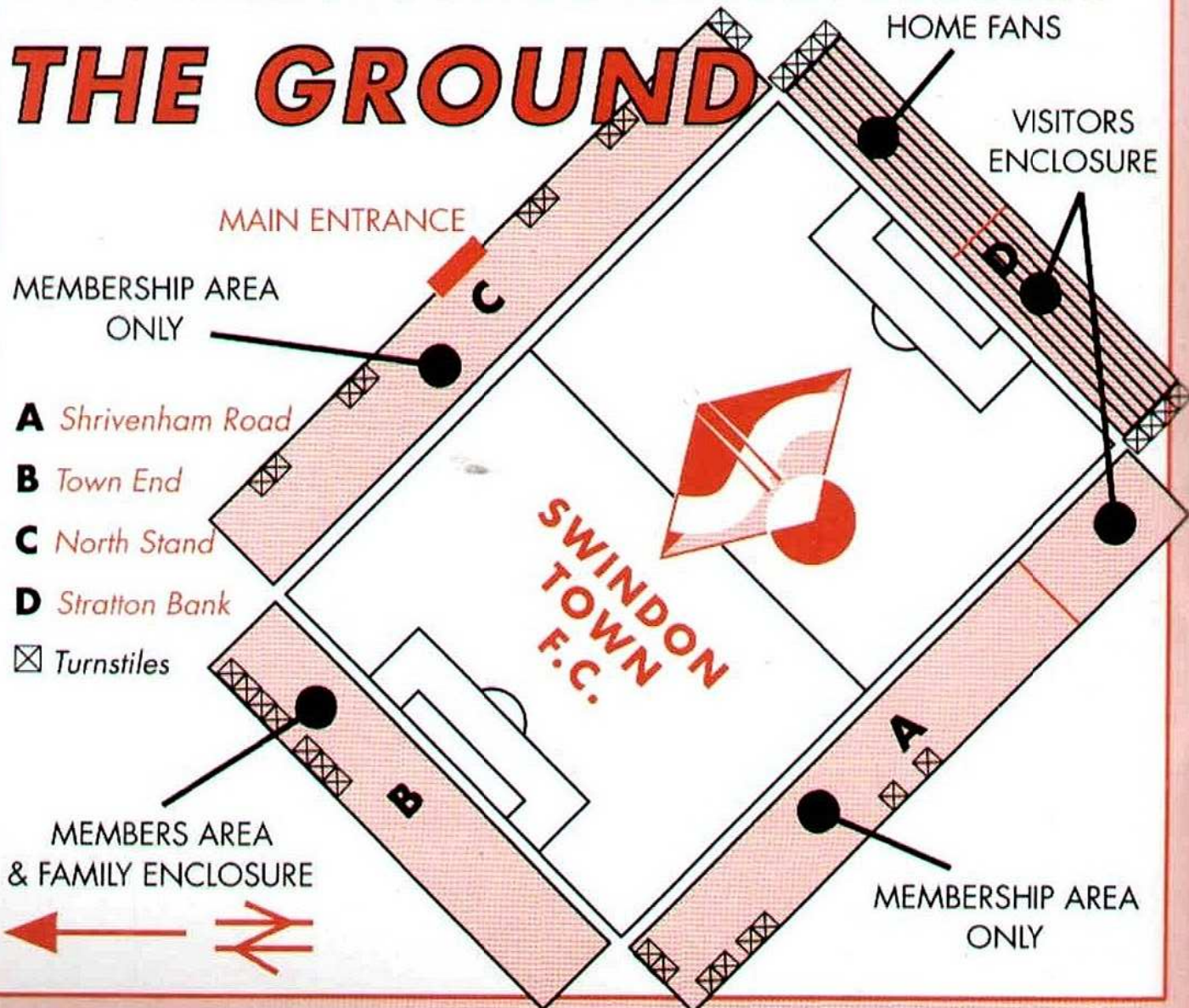
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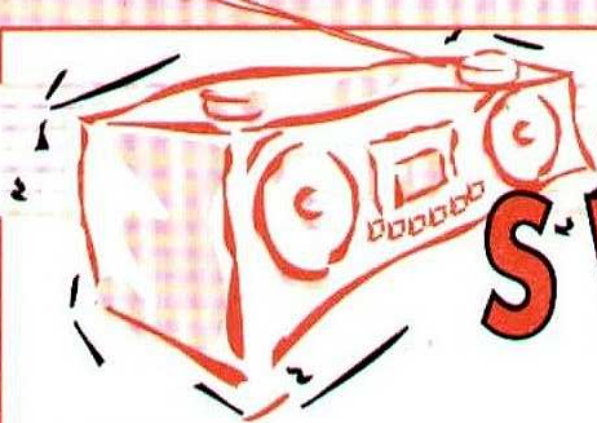


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IN TUNE WITH SWINDON

by Jon Pollard

WELCOME

For our penultimate home Barclays League fixture of this season we are pleased to welcome the players, officials and supporters of **Wolverhampton Wanderers Football Club** to The County Ground.

BARCLAYS LEAGUE

On Monday we travel to play Watford at Vicarage Road in the Barclays League where the kick off is at 3.00pm.

Next Saturday we play our final home League game of this campaign when we entertain Peter Shilton's Plymouth Argyle here at The County Ground kicking off at 3.00pm.

Our outstanding League fixture with Sunderland has now been re-arranged for Monday 27th April 1992 kicking off at 7.45pm at Roker Park.

RESERVES

Next Wednesday afternoon the Reserves meet Arsenal here in the Neville Ovenden Football Combination with a 2.00pm kick off. The Reserves complete their season the following week with home game against Brighton & Hove Albion on Monday 27th April and against Tottenham Hotspur two days later on Wednesday 29 April. Both games have 2.00pm kick offs.

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Supporters are reminded that the Club Offices and Club Shop are closed this Monday. Both re-open for business at the normal time on Tuesday morning.

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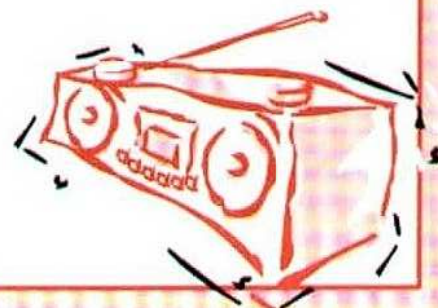
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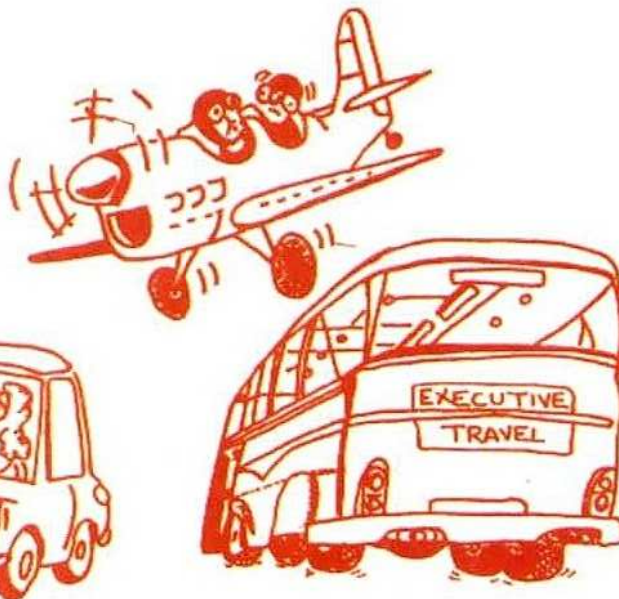
Issue number 8 of the Swindon Review is now available from the Club Shop price **50p**. County Club members can collect their complimentary copy on production of their membership card. Free with this issue is a pack of cards from the new PRO SET Player Card Collection part 2.

MS WALK

Many thanks to all those who supported the club staff on our leg of the Nationwide Football Against MS Walk last week. A picture special of the event will be in next month's Swindon Review.



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Prelude

by

Glenn Hoddle



It's getting very tight at the top but, apart from Ipswich Town, there is no side that is putting a run together. Three points was our target against Bristol Rovers on Sunday. One was what we got. A pity really for after Shaun Taylor had scored a very good goal, it looked odds-on us getting that elusive away win.

It was a tremendous goal for a centre-half but then Rovers grabbed a fortuitous equaliser that about summed up our fortunes away from home this season.

Firstly, I did not think it was a free kick against us but once the referee awarded it we had enough time to organise ourselves at the back. Mitch got a touch as he tried to intercept the cross. The ball flicked off the top of his head and literally hit Clark on his head and went in. He didn't know much about it at all.

We had created so many chances it was ridiculous. Yet like at Portsmouth we controlled most of the game without getting our just rewards. As was said afterwards, "they got out of jail." It was hard on the fans who gave us such vociferous encouragement. They were absolutely marvellous. A win would really have put us in the picture for the play-offs and now, though we are still not out of the frame, our prospects are much more difficult to achieve. We really need nine points from the next three games and with Wolves, Watford and Plymouth our opponents it will be no easy task. But neither is it impossible.

If we can achieve this we will be in with a shout for certain. Even seven points would not be a disaster and though it is asking a lot we know we can do it. It means that every game for us is going to be like a cup final. We need to win and the lads will be totally committed to this aim. There have been very few games this season in which we have not created more chances than our opponents. Now is the time we must tuck them away.

One performance that does not come into this category is the recent draw at Millwall. We played with a flat back-four that evening and didn't play well. Big Fraser pulled off a couple of great saves and we have to hold our hands up and admit we didn't deserve the point we earned. We got away with it that time which is a change for us. If you look at our away record, ten draws looks highly respectable, yet it does not fairly represent our true form away from home. Eight of these games were comfortable draws for us - matches we dominated and should have won. Just reflect. That is 16 points that have gone begging ... sixteen points which would have seen us comfortably tucked in behind Ipswich at the top of the table.

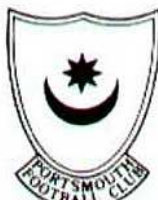
We didn't win them because of a number of factors. Poor individual defending errors; the failure to snap up opportunities; as well as in a couple of cases, being on the sharp end of poor refereeing decisions.

So now we have it all to do, starting today with Wolverhampton Wanderers. Wolves have blown hot and cold this season. On their day they can really play and any side that has strikers of the calibre of Andy Mutch and Steve Bull to call upon must be respected. They need to be watched very closely for 90 minutes.

We had to fight all the way in our last home game against Port Vale after a first half in which we produced some terrific football and opened them up well. But it proved a tough second half to sit through, that is for sure, and we shall be hoping to tame the Wolves a little earlier this afternoon.

The mid-week home defeat of Middlesbrough by Barnsley emphasised just how tough life is at the top of the Second Division. It was a great result for us but we need another saver yet from 'Boro as well as three points this afternoon from Wolves.

Glenn



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NEWS

Ipswich Town look as though they have clinched promotion back to the First Division after an absence of seven years. Their dramatic 3-2 win over relegation candidates Newcastle United on Saturday leave The Blues 10 points clear of East Anglian rivals Cambridge United and star player Jason Dozzell, the youngest player ever to score in the First Division has high praise for manager John Lyall, "Everything that has happened at this club this year is a tribute to him and his methods. The team has been built on a solid defensive base and the present crop of players will perform with distinction once they reach the big league. I have always had faith in the manager. He brought his attacking ideas with him and I had few doubts that we were going to be a real force in the Second Division this season. The Cup run was also important because it brought us the attention of the nation. We do not see the TV cameras down at Portman Road much. With John Lyall in charge of this club maybe even Europe is possible."

Middlesbrough are in danger of failing to clinch promotion, and even to miss the play offs if they don't start to turn results around quickly. Although Boro' won 2-1 at Tranmere on Friday night, they remain outside the play off zone as their games in hand over the top clubs slip away. Former Everton and Nottingham Forest centre forward Paul Wilkinson who joined Boro' for £500,000 in the summer has scored eleven League goals this term is not confident "If we do not wake up now we won't even make the play offs. We have to bounce back in our games in hand otherwise we'll be in danger of missing out altogether."

One side who do look as though the play offs are now beyond them are Southend, although they won 2-0 at struggling Plymouth Argyle last week. Despite the resignation of manager Dave Webb from the summer and much discontent amongst the Shrimpers' fans chairman Vic Jobson continues to lay down the law "The shareholders

have the say here and I own 70 per cent of them. I don't want the club to move away from Southend and I didn't want Dave Webb to resign. Roots Hall is beginning to look more like a Second Division ground now but unfortunately that's where we will be next season."

Sunderland's defeat at home to Charlton Athletic on Saturday left the Cup finalists perilously close to the relegation zone, albeit with several games in hand of the other clubs towards the bottom of the table. Despite this success, caretaker boss Malcolm Crosby has not landed the Roker job on a permanent basis although he says this does not bother him "They can give me any title they want, even janitor as too much has been said about this job. It's the greatest day in my footballing life but we mustn't get carried away. We have got to go out and get the results in the League."

Sunderland, who this afternoon are playing their fourth game in a week to catch up on the back-log caused by their Cup success have managed to find time to record a new version of the McFadden and Whitehead hit record "Ain't No Stopping Us Now" to celebrate their F.A. Cup appearance at Wembley next month.

Whether or not the record joins the ranks of "Blue Is The Colour" recorded by Chelsea back in the seventies or The England World Cup squad's "Back Home" remains to be seen.

The Rokerites face another run of four games in a week from next Saturday to complete their run-up to Wembley - this includes the re-arranged game against Town on Monday 27th April.

SWINDON NEXT HOME MATCH

FORTHCOMING • ATTRACTIONS



SHILTS IN FINAL SHOWDOWN



Former England stalwart Peter Shilton plans to play until the end of this season and possibly longer which means he is set to make his second appearance of the season at the County Ground next Saturday.

Plymouth's player-manager of course played a major part in Derby County's 2-1 win here in October, making a crucial save to deny Duncan Shearer an equaliser in the second half.

Now Shilton's task is even harder as his struggling Plymouth Argyle charges fight desperately against the drop in Division Three. It has been a hard baptism in the managerial seat for one of England's greatest ever goalkeepers but he claims he is enjoying it.

When Argyle made the approach to Derby County Rams boss Arthur Cox made one stipulation: "Peter cannot play in two matches against Derby this season." The first was the following Saturday when Argyle earned a 1-1 draw at Home Park. The second ended in a 2-0 defeat at the Baseball Ground.

Since that draw with the Rams Plymouth have won two of their following seven games, one of which was drawn, conceding six goals. The draw 0-0 at Charlton, signalled Shilton's first appearance for the Devonshire side last

Saturday week and with former Arsenal custodian Rhys Wilmot on the transfer list Shilton looks destined to play out the remainder of the season.

Plymouth, just two points clear of bottom club Port Vale, were at home to Southend United last Saturday and follow that with away trips to Middlesbrough, then us, and Sunderland; with Oxford and Blackburn to come at home. It suggests a dramatic and tense finale to the season and they will be hoping that 13 goal Dwight Marshall, who has netted just once in 13 games, soon recaptures his scoring touch, alongside new signing Kevin Nugent.

The Pilgrims will be happy there is not Duncan Shearer to threaten their cause - he scored all four goals as Town romped to a 4-0 win at Plymouth last October - but they will find plenty of quality here in Glenn's new-shaped side and you can bet that the lads will want to bring the curtain down on this season with a flourish.

Don't miss the final home League game of the season when Swindon Town will be striving to put an end to Peter Shilton's Pilgrims progress!

Town v Argyle - here next Saturday at 3.00 pm.

See you then.

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Marketing Matters

by Mike Sullivan



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This is the second occasion this season Courtaulds have sponsored the club, having been match sponsors for our home game last September when we beat Sunderland 5-3. We hope that every member of the Courtaulds party enjoy themselves and are celebrating with the same result at 4.40 pm.

FAN APPRECIATION DAY

At approximately 2.45 pm today, just prior to the start of the match we will be making the draw for the winners in our 'Fan Appreciation Day' Draw. With 13 prizes waiting to be won, this is the club's way of saying 'thank you' for all your valued support this season. All winners who are drawn today will be contacted by the club with details of the prize they have won and full details of names and prizes will appear in next Saturday's programme v Plymouth Argyle.

EXECUTIVE COACH TO DERBY

We are still taking bookings for our executive coach trip to Derby County on Saturday May 2nd. The coach will leave the County Ground, Swindon at approximately 9.00 am arriving at a local hotel for lunch in Derby at approximately 12.15 pm. A three course lunch, ticket and match programme, refreshments and cakes on both journeys will be provided. It is anticipated that we shall arrive back at the County Ground at approximately 8.30 pm. The cost of the trip is £49 per head plus VAT and if you would like to go please give me a call on 0793 430430 as soon as possible.

RACE NIGHT

We will be holding an end of season 'Race Night' on Thursday 21st May in the Executive Suite of the County Ground. The evening starts at 7.30 pm and tickets are priced at £7.50 each. They include a supper of chicken and chips, a cash draw and a race card. If you would like to come along and have a little 'flutter' tickets are available from the Marketing Department now.

ADT 1992 LONDON MARATHON

I am delighted to report that both Clive Harper, our Catering Manager and myself successfully completed last Sunday's 26.2 mile marathon. Clive finished in 4 hours and 5 minutes and my time was 4 hours and 7 minutes.

LUCKY MASCOTS

Our first lucky mascot today is 14 year old **Martin Smith** from Dudbridge Hill, Stroud in Gloucester. Martin, who plays in goal for the Rodbury Youth Football team enjoys participating in all sports and names Fraser Digby as his favourite player.



Our second lucky mascot is 11 year old **James Moffat** who comes from Bromham, near Chippenham. James I understand is football mad and names Glenn Hoddle as his favourite player.

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In our game against Crystal Palace in the Neville Ovenden Football Combination we started off very well and although we went behind early on, we created chance after chance and could have won by a far greater margin. The experienced Palace side struggled against our neat passing and with Martin Ling and Shaun Close lining up well we opened up the game and got round the back on numerous occasions. Paul Hunt was responsible for all the damage scoring all three goals in the first half from close range and in fact could have doubled his tally in the second half. This was a good all round team performance - which could not be said for our following game at Queens Park Rangers.

With our line up weakened by players on first team duty it was always going to be a hard game but to lose 6-0 without putting up a fight was hard to stomach. As soon as the first goal went in after ten minutes our heads dropped and we threw in the towel. We could have played out of our skins and still lost by the same score but to surrender without putting up a fight was unacceptable. Players must be able to roll up their sleeves and be prepared to battle for things, not just play when things are going well. In some games you have to earn the right to play, but if you don't start with commitment, desire and a passion for the game you've no chance of putting in a performance of which you could say "Well we gave it everything we could".

WILTSHIRE PREMIER SHIELD - FINAL

TROWBRIDGE TOWN 1 SWINDON TOWN 3

Following the disaster at Loftus Road we lined up just two days later in the Final of the Wiltshire Premier Shield at Trowbridge bidding to win the competition for the third consecutive year. The side was bolstered by the inclusion of Nicky Summerbee, Shaun Close, Martin Ling and John Moncur, who was making his debut, all of whom had travelled on the abortive trip the day prior to Sunderland. We took the lead after just 13 minutes through Shaun Close but were then made to fight by the home side who had numerous attempts at goal with several hitting the woodwork. It came as no surprise when Trowbridge drew level on the

half hour and following some stern words at half time we came out to ensure that the Shield came to The County Ground for the 27th time since its inception. Martin Ling and John Moncur were replaced with quarter of an hour to go by Marcus Phillips and Wayne O'Sullivan and we immediately took the lead with Shaun Close's second goal of the game. Soon afterwards Marcus got his name on the scoresheet to make the final score 3-1 in our favour.

Andy Rowland
Reserve Team Manager

NEVILLE OVENDEN FOOTBALL COMBINATION

League Table up to and including 11.4.92

	Goals						
	Pld	Won	Dwn	Lost	For	Against	Pts
SOUTHAMPTON	34	21	7	6	70	33	70
ARSENAL	34	21	6	7	78	43	69
QPR	37	21	5	11	74	43	68
CHELSEA	33	20	6	7	68	37	66
NORWICH CITY	33	17	5	11	63	32	56
CRYSTAL PALACE	34	15	9	10	59	48	54
LUTON TOWN	35	15	8	12	54	50	53
WIMBLEDON	35	13	11	11	50	38	50
PORTSMOUTH	36	16	2	18	69	73	50
SWINDON TOWN	33	14	6	13	56	56	48
IPSWICH TOWN	35	13	8	14	61	67	47
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	34	12	9	13	54	78	45
OXFORD UNITED	36	13	6	17	54	75	45
WATFORD	35	13	3	19	51	65	42
MILLWALL	36	10	11	15	65	77	41
WEST HAM UTD.	34	9	11	14	51	62	38
CHARLTON ATHLETIC	33	10	7	16	43	59	37
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Offbeat ^{WITH} JOHN GORMAN

It is now the crunch time of the season. Our ten away draws have probably been the main reason we are not sitting in the top three positions of the League, yet all of these games were drawn, with the exception of the Millwall and Bristol Rovers games when in both we had two points snatched away from us. In the game at The Den, Martin Ling's last minute miss would have given us maximum points. With only one more home game left after this afternoon we must win our fixtures away from home to try and capture one of the play off positions which we feel we definitely deserve.

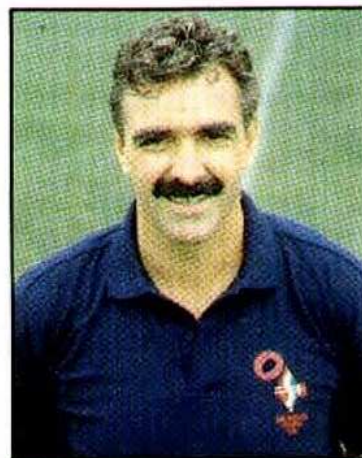
As we were reminded last week, a year has now passed since Glenn and myself joined the Club and what a year! We feel that we have achieved a very good standard of football since our arrival. We have also made sure that the fitness level of the players has improved immensely, something which should now see us through the crucial run in to the end of the season.

We have some very good professional footballers at our beckon and they, like us, desperately want to succeed and also want to prove that they can play football through the midfield and be successful in doing that.

We are already in the process of arranging pre-season fixtures for the team similar to last year's, as we felt it was spot on. Some of the games will be interesting ones. We have left the last game before the new season starts open as it depends on where the Club are next season as this will determine the opposition. Let's all hope that it's in the Premier League.

After today's clash with Wolverhampton Wanderers we quickly return to action on Monday when we take on Watford at Vicarage Road. Games between us and The Hornets traditionally produce plenty of action and goals, let's hope this game is no exception.

Till next week.



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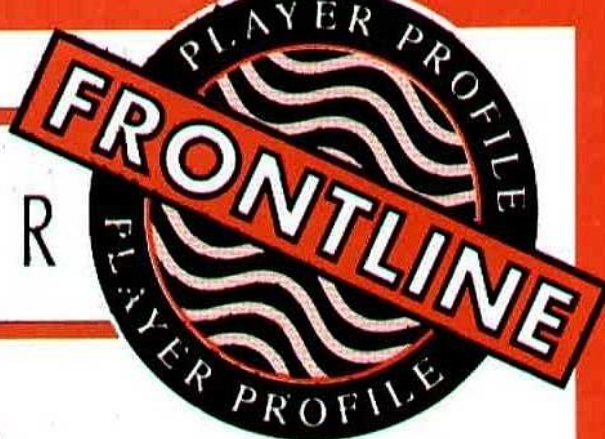


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JOHN MONCUR



AGE NO HANDICAP FOR THIS PRO

By Colin Benson

Life begins at 25 for John Moncur, the midfielder signed from Tottenham Hotspur on the final strike of the transfer deadline. For after seven years at White Hart Lane the Eastender has still yet to establish himself as a player in senior football.

He says: "I have waited a long long time for a real opportunity to prove myself and hopefully I shall be able to respond with Swindon. At Spurs it is hard for any one to make an impression because of the players available. It is particularly difficult for midfielders to break through. From Glenn to Gazza there have always been quality players available in this position."

John, an outstanding schoolboy, who gained representative honours with Essex and London, had Arsenal, West Ham United and Orient in the queue to sign him when he left school but he has no regrets that he eventually chose Spurs. He insists: "They are a good club and always looked after me."

He arrived at White Hart Lane in the same group as Carl Hoddle - Glenn's younger brother who is now with Barnet - and Shaun Close, and stayed with the North London giants longer than any of his companions. Yet still he was unable to make that final positive step.

It was David Pleat who gave him his initial First Division baptism, at Goodison Park, in the final League game of the 1986-87 season. John pulled on Glenn's number ten shirt as six first teamers were rested prior to the FA Cup Final.

Actually, John's introduction to League football had come earlier in the season while on loan to Doncaster Rovers then Cambridge United. But the experience at Goodison was the real thing!

As a young player in the Spurs pool John reflects on the inspiration gained from players such as Glenn and Micky Hazard. He reflects: "Glenn was every midfielder's dream. We all wanted to aspire to his standards. But it is impossible of course. Everyone respected him. He was always someone you could seek help from with any problems."

"To just watch him play was an education and his influence at training sessions was also very infectious." Given the predicament Spurs have found themselves in

this season John admits that he had been very disappointed not to have been given a chance. He says: "Really I knew it would be like that because Peter Shreeves had made up his mind he didn't really fancy me. It is as simple as that."

"My best spell was under Terry Venables but even then I think the longest run I had was three or four games. But I was always next to go in if Gazza was injured."

"It is frustrating, of course it is, and I had several opportunities to leave. I turned them all down on financial grounds or because I didn't feel it was a right move career wise. Then when Glenn came along I had no second thoughts. I see the move to Swindon as a step in the right direction."

"Having been at Spurs for seven years it is obviously a big change but it is better to feel wanted. Spurs looked after me, however I am now at the stage where I really have to establish myself in top class football."

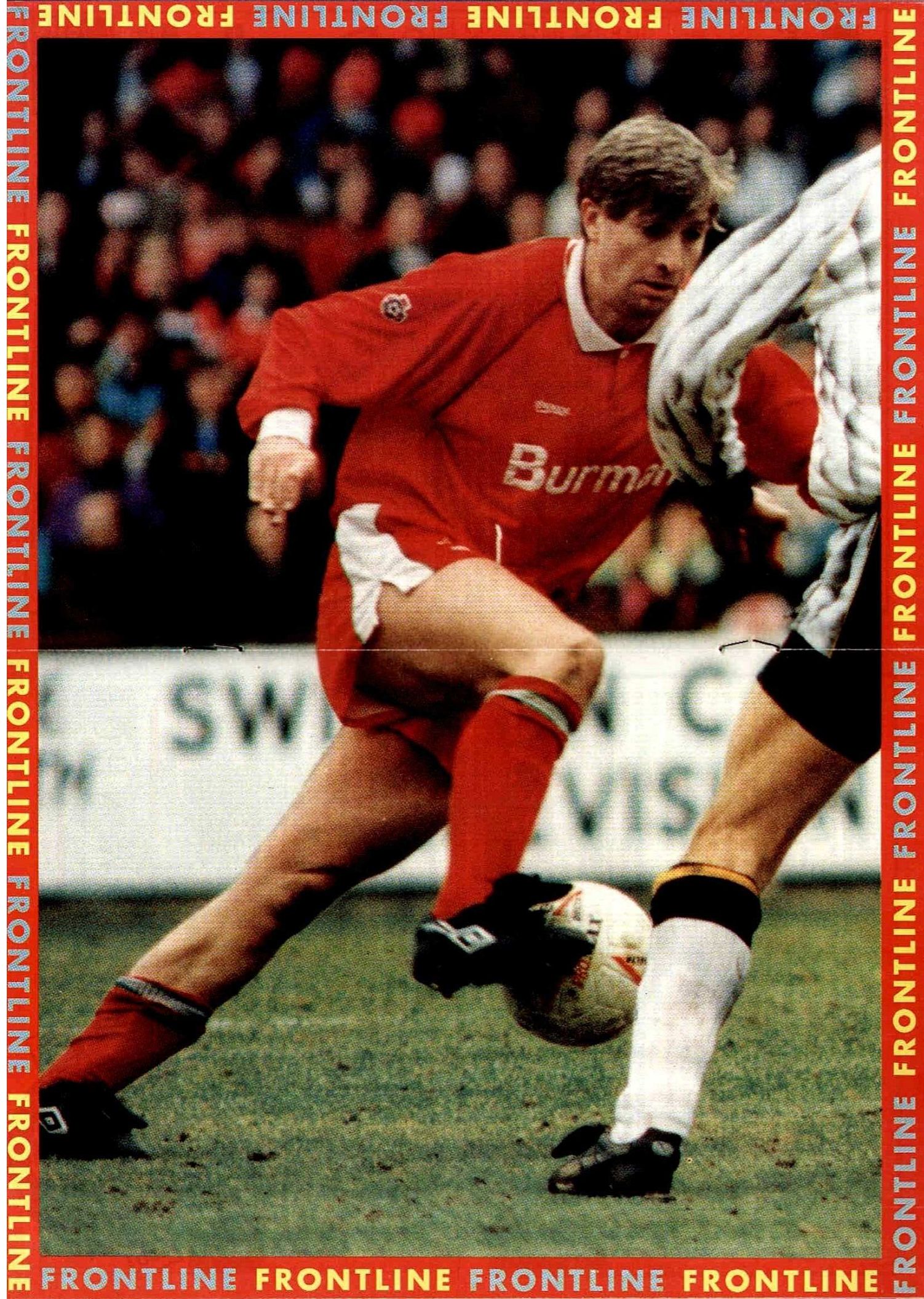
"Glenn told me he thought I was suited to the Swindon style. I have had no specific instructions though if I don't perform well he won't play me. After so long in reserve football it will take a little time to find my sharpness. It is not so much a physical demand as a mental one. In League football you need to react instantly."

The playing staff here are good enough to make an impact. They are a good bunch of lads and helped me settle in well."

John will certainly remember his first full game for the Robins, for he was left nursing a headache after coming off with concussion at the Den. "It was a clash of heads." He recalls: "I carried on for ten-minutes but it got worse and I had double vision so had to come off."

Now he has set his sights firmly on making a success of his career with Swindon. A four handicap golfer he had to make the choice between football and golf when he left school and says: "I did consider golf but I have no regrets. I have always maintained that it is harder to make it as a golfer than as a footballer."

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A VERY WARM *Welcome* TO WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS

WOLVES STILL EYE WEMBLEY

By John Nolan.

Although Wolves entered last Saturday's League fixture in a mid-table position they were just six points short of a play-off place and manager **Graham Turner** believes they are still in with a good chance of making the final showdown.

After two seasons of sensational success the Molineux club have not found it so easy to get lift-off from Division Two where a lack of consistency has been their biggest problem.

Money is short yet even so they have managed to hold onto their biggest asset, **Steve Bull**, the powerfully built England striker who has terrified defenders from Hartlepool to Plymouth. Bull is still very much the team's regular marksman and in recent weeks has only been helped on the goals front by fullback and skipper **Mark Venus** and **Andy Mutch**.

Venus's 30-yarder at Plymouth was his first goal for 27 months and was good enough to secure all three points. **Andy Mutch**, who has experienced a keen season in terms of goals, looked like he has won a well earned point at runaway leaders Ipswich when he equalised five minutes from time. But the Suffolk club pinched the game with a controversial last-minute penalty.

Disappointing for the Midlands but Mr Turner must have been heartened by the display of his team. For enterprising Wolves moved the ball well down both flanks and were willing to shoot on sight. With nothing to lose and all to gain we can anticipate another positive show here today as Steve Bull goes in search of his 200th goal in the Football League.

In recent weeks youngsters **Jim Kelly** and **Mark Rankine** have been given a chance in a side that is still to reach its full potential. Though Bull and Mutch monopolise the headlines Mr Turner has a wealth of experience to call upon. **Robbie Dennison**, the Northern Ireland International has been a regular on the left until recently and Coventry born striker **Tim Steele**, who joined Wolves from Shrewsbury in 1989 for £70,000 is currently on the bench.

There is also the possibility that **Andy Thompson**, another former Throstle, might be recalled to midfield after injury.

THE MAN IN CHARGE



TURNER THE INFLUENCE

GRAHAM TURNER, who failed to come to terms with life at Villa Park, is the man responsible for restoring pride at Molineux. He took over in October 1986 and only just failed to win promotion to Division Three in that first season, losing in the play-off to Aldershot. A year later Wolves were Fourth Division Champions. Next came the Third Division title and the Sherpa Van Trophy. Born in Ellesmere Port on 5th October 1947, Graham, an England Youth international made 77 League appearances for Wrexham before moving to Chester in January 1968 where he added another 218 League games to his record.

It was January 1973 when Graham signed for Shrewsbury Town. In 11 years at Gay Meadow he clocked up 355 League games and finished as a highly successfully player-manager. Installed as boss of Aston Villa in July 1984 his firm style of management was not appreciated and shortly after his third season in charge he was sacked.



WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS - 1991-92 SEASON

Top Row (left to right): Paul Cook, Mark Venus, Robert Hindmarch, Mike Stowell, Shane Westley, Paul Jones, Gary Bellamy, John Paskin, Nicky Clarke.

2nd Row (left to right): Steve Bull, Andy Mutch, Robbie Dennison, Tom Bennett, Colin Taylor, Paul McLoughlin, Tim Steele, Kevin Ashley, Mark Burke.

3rd Row (left to right): Andy Thompson, Gary Pendley (Coach), Chris Evans (Youth Team Coach), Graham Turner (Manager), Paul Darby (Physio), Brian Roberts, Paul Birch.

Bottom (left to right): Stauro Leeding, Andrew Harnett, Andrew Kelly, Warren Jones, Mark Turner, Darren Smith.

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of WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS



KEVIN ASHLEY - Defender. Signed from Birmingham City at the start of last season for £500,000 he made 17 League appearances in that campaign before establishing himself this season. Served his apprenticeship with Birmingham City, making his League bow in a derby clash with West Brom on April 12th 1987. Born: Birmingham 31-12-68.

TOM BENNETT - Defender. Was on Aston Villa's books as a youngster and moved to Wolves in August 1988. Made 11 substitute appearances in season 1988-89 before starting a League game for the first time at Ipswich (16-9-89). Born: Falkirk 12-12-69.

PAUL BIRCH - Midfield. Another who emerged through the youth ranks at Villa Park. He was a member of Aston Villa's FA Youth Cup winning side in 1980. Made his League debut against Sunderland in January 1991 - scoring his first goal for the Wolves against West Ham on 2nd February 1991 in Division Two. Born: West Bromwich 6-11-62.

STEPHEN BULL - Striker. A member of England's successful World Cup squad in Italy in 1990; "Bully" has proved his scoring prowess at all levels of the game. Signed from West Brom for £35,000 in November 1986 - he had made his League debut for them at QPR (12-4-86) - he has emerged a tough bustling centre-forward of the traditional mould and set a Wolves scoring record, on Saturday March 21st, when he netted his 195th goal against Derby. Born: Tipton 28-3-65.

PAUL COOK - Midfield. Signed from Norwich City for £250,000 in October 1989 and introduced as a play-maker in midfield. Started his career with Wigan Athletic in 1984, making his debut in a Third Division game with Reading in May 1985. Joined Norwich City four years later but only made a handful of appearances for the Canaries. Born: Liverpool 22-2-67.

KEITH DOWNING - Defender. Arrived on a free-transfer from Notts County in 1987; County has given the former Oak Rovers star his chance against Leeds United (25-8-84). Yet in three years at Meadow Lane he made only 23 League appearances. Wolves introduced him in the opening game of the 1987-88 season against Scarborough. Born: Oldbury 23-7-65.

JIM KELLY - Midfield. Signed from Wrexham last February in a swap deal which saw striker John Paskin move in the opposite direction. The 19-year old asked for time to think over the move after discussing personal terms with Graham Turner. The youngster made two full and 13 sub

appearances in the Fourth Division last season. Was on the bench for Wrexham's historic FA Cup Third Round win over Arsenal. Born: Liverpool 14-2-73.

LAWRIE MADDEN - Central Defender. Much travelled professional who came into League football with Mansfield (debut v Stockport) in April 1975. Had previously been with Arsenal as an amateur and studied at Manchester University. Joined Charlton in 1977 and five years later moved to Millwall for a season. Sheffield Wednesday was his next stop and in the past year he has played for several clubs on loan before signing for Wolves on a free transfer last September. Born: London 28-9-55.

DEREK MOUNTFIELD - Central Defender. Another experienced campaigner he was signed from Aston Villa in February for £150,000 after a short loan spell. An apprentice with Tranmere he made his League bow at Peterborough in March 1981. Everton snapped him up for £30,000 in 1983 and he won League Cup, FA Cup and two Championship medals as well as a ECWC winners' trophy before switching to Villa in 1988 for £450,000. Capped by England at Under-21 and 'B' levels. Born: Liverpool 2-11-62.

ANDY MUTCH - Striker. Arrived at Molineux in February 1986 for a small fee from Multipart League side Southport. Made his League bow in a goalless draw with Rotherham in February 1986. Has forged a good understanding with Bull and was capped by England at 'B' level v Switzerland in May 1989. Born: Liverpool 28-12-63.

MARK RANKINE - Midfield/Defence. Was only 16 when he made his League debut for Doncaster Rovers. Transferred to Wolves in January 1992 for £70,000 and made his debut, in their colours, as a sub against Leicester City (1-2-92). Can operate in midfield or defence. Age: 22.

MIKE STOWELL - Goalkeeper. Spotted playing for Leyland Motors he was signed by Preston in 1984 but didn't make a League appearance though he attracted Everton. Joined them in 1985-86 season but made his League debut for Chester City v Aldershot while on loan in September 1987. Had further loan spells with York City, Manchester City and Wolves before eventually moving to Molineux for a substantial fee in July 1990. Born: Portsmouth 19-4-65.

MARK VENUS - Fullback. Started his career with hometown club Hartlepool, making his debut at Bury (1-4-85). Added only another two appearances before signing for Leicester City on a free in the summer of '85. Notched up 61 League games for the Filberts before joining Wolves in March 1988 for a big fee. Born: Hartlepool 6-4-67.

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BENNO'S BRIEF



So Manchester United have won the Rumbelows League Cup and the first of this season's major competitions has been concluded. It is a good job it didn't end in a draw because the men who are supposed to watch over us and care for the welfare of the game; in their wisdom - or was it self-interest - refused to allow a possible replay on 6th May at Wembley.

Thus, arrangements had to be made to hold a second game, if it was needed, at Goodison Park which meant that only 39,000 fans instead of 80,000 would be able to enjoy the occasion live on the night.

The FA's excuse for not allowing the game to be staged at Wembley was that they were worried about the effect it might have on the pitch with their own prestigious Final set to be played there three days later. It will be interesting to see if the Wembley pitch is left covered with the remains of American Football markings at the F.A. Cup Final as was the Rumbelows Cup Final last Sunday!

What a load of baloney... tell it to Don Rogers, John Trollope; Harland, Heath, Noble and the rest of that magnificent Swindon team that buried Arsenal in six-inches of mud on Saturday 15th March, 1969. Wembley that day was more like a potato patch in the wake of a week's show-jumping on the hallowed green baize.

I'm sure Town groundsman Geoff Warren would scoff at the suggestion that the playing surface could not be manicured in time for the FA Cup show-piece. He and other groundsmen up and down the country have much more difficult problems to surmount during the course of a long hard season.

The FA have made a great song and dance in

the past twelve months about their concern for the fans and for the promotions of the game. That is why, they insist, they have enticed the top clubs away from the Football League to implement their own competition.

That concern was certainly short lived if their treatment of the United and Forest fans is anything to go by.

Talking of Wembley. How long do you think it will be before we see a female referee officiating there in a major game?

It's on the cards I can tell you for FIFA have just appointed New Zealander Linda Black onto their list of International Referees and Linespersons.

Linespersons? Is one of the last remaining bastions of male chauvinism to be truly shattered...? It gives a whole new meaning to the thoughts of the philosopher Nietzsche, who lamented the fate of the last man, destined to spend the future in a democratic Elysium.

I was at Old Trafford the other evening for the Manchester derby between United and City. It was a good night for former Town prodigee Fitzroy Simpson who seems to be relishing in the challenge of First Division football.

Fitz is delighted with the way things are going for him at Maine Road where his energy and enthusiasm is keeping player-manager Peter Reid out of the team.

Another former Swindon star enjoying the limelight is striker David Bamber, now back with his original club Blackpool and leading them towards promotion to Division Three. He is the top shot in Division Four with 35 goals at the last count - two more than Duncan Shearer and three better than Gary Lineker... can't be bad.

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Paul Plowman

*continues to look back at
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today's visitors*

There were 47 Football League places between the Town and Wolves when they met for a Second Round League Cup tie here nearly seventeen years ago - the first time the clubs had crossed paths for 67 years!

Neither club had yet managed a League win in 1975/76, Wolves having had six First Division attempts and Swindon four in the Third. Wolves had not won away from Molineux in almost a year. The Town sat just one place off the bottom of the table but they had, however, recorded victories in both legs of the First Round, having beaten Millwall 2-1 and 1-0 with a penalty deciding both issues.

Jim Barron, who had begun his League career with Wolves back in 1963, returned to the Swindon side in place of Jimmy Allan and defender Frank Burrows was back in the starting line-up after a three-game absence. The Town were without midfielder Terry Hubbard, injured three days earlier at Shrewsbury.

Peter Eastoe was facing the club he had begun his career with as an apprentice, before coming to the County Ground for a club record £88,000 in March 1974.

It was he who was instrumental in giving Swindon the lead in the tenth minute. He soared to head a Trevor Anderson cross down into the bottom corner. Goalkeeper Gary Pierce seemed certain to save, but then defender John McAlle made a timely intervention and deflected the ball over the line! The First Division side were in further trouble with seven first-half minutes remaining. They looked to have escaped when first Deal referee Michael Taylor ruled out an Anderson effort and then Pierce blocked a stunning David Moss drive. But Swindon got their reward for

persistence when John Trollope followed up to hit a well placed right-foot shot into the net. But the old adage 'a game of two halves' was never better illustrated.

After the break, the Town, minus the influential Hubbard, were completely overrun in midfield by Mike Bailey, Willie Carr and Kenny Hibbitt. It was virtually one-way traffic to the Swindon goal.

The Town failed to get a single effort on target, although John McLaughlin twice went close. It was no surprise when Alan Sunderland pulled a goal back with twenty minutes left and then, with just four minutes to go, John Richards equalised - the seventh successive League Cup tie in which he had found the net.

Town: Barron, Dixon, Trollope, Stroud, Burrows, Prophett, Moss, McLaughlin, Eastoe, Butler, Anderson. Sub not used: Jenkins

Wolves: Pierce, Parkin, McNab, Bailey, Munro, McAlle, Hibbitt, Carr, Richards, Sunderland, Wagstaffe. Sub not used: Daley

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SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE

Saturday 4th April 1992

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This was our final South East Counties League game of the season and was one of the better performances we have put in.

Planning for next season the side was made up from six U16's, six U17's and one unable to play at Youth level next year.

As in other games when fielding a younger team the performance was pleasing with excellent application and appreciation whether in possession or defending. The movement off the ball allowed us to play some good constructive football, but we worked hard when defending not allowing Brentford the time and space.

The first half was an even contest with neither side having too many clear chances but Gavin Pitts in goal had to make a point blank save to keep it scoreless at the interval.

More openings were created by both sides after the break and we took the lead when Steve Luwero headed in from a Murray Fishlock corner. Unfortunately the best of the other openings fell to Mark O'Driscoll who hit the advancing keeper, against that Fishlock had to clear from the goal-line. This was a good all round performance with everybody contributing with excellent application giving thought and awareness to their game. Although it has been a disappointing season result-wise, most players have shown an improvement and have come to terms with the formation and the way we play. A little more consistency in their application and concentration, together with elimination of the silly mistakes which cost us dearly in several games would have given us a better reward for some hard work and at times some good football.

John Trollope

YOUTH TEAM MANAGER

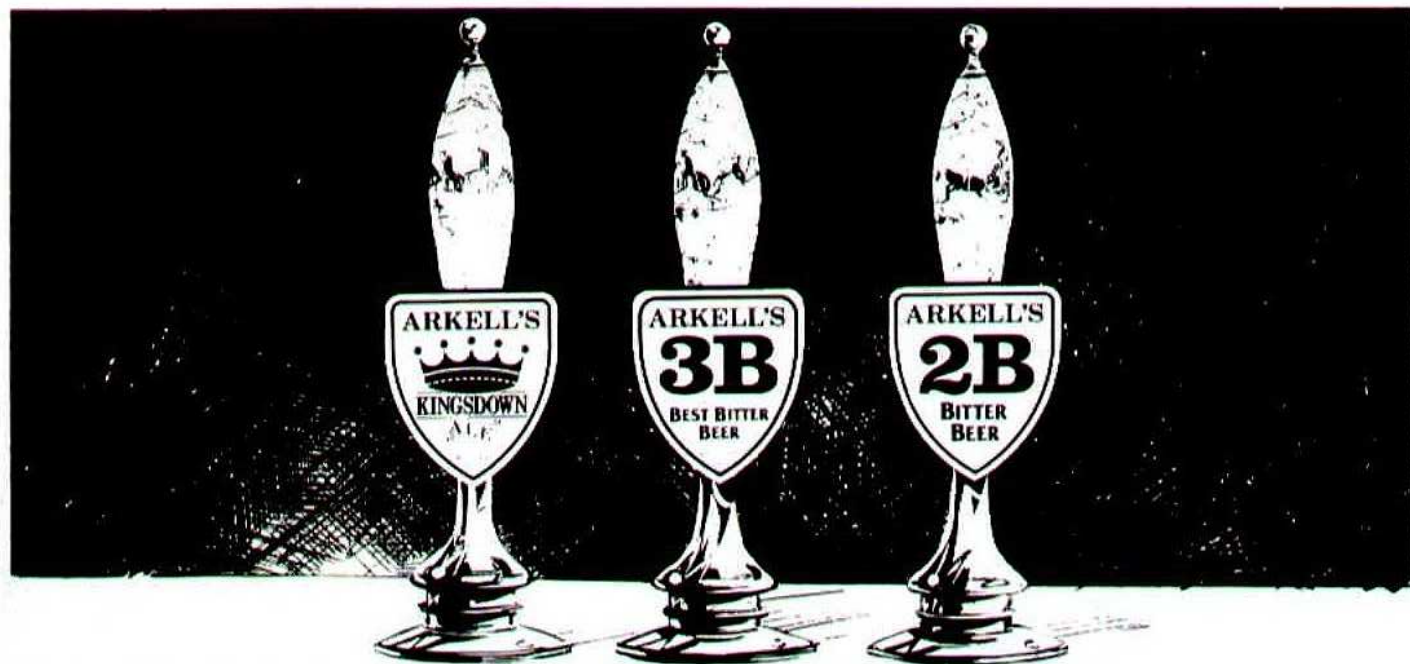
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(Aldershot F.C. having withdrawn from the League, their playing record has been expunged.)

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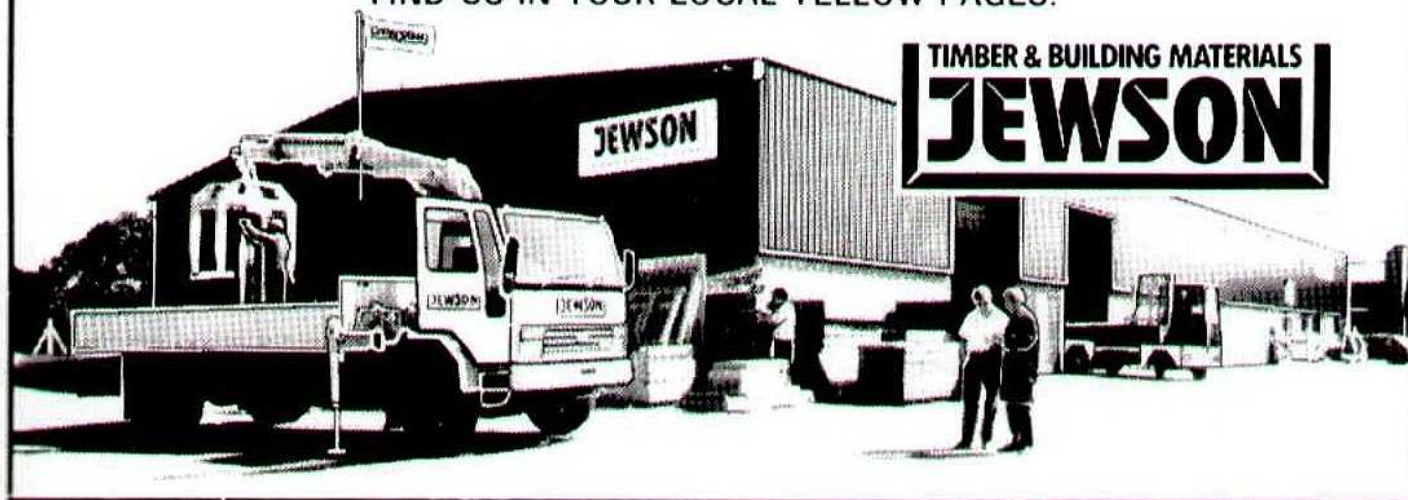


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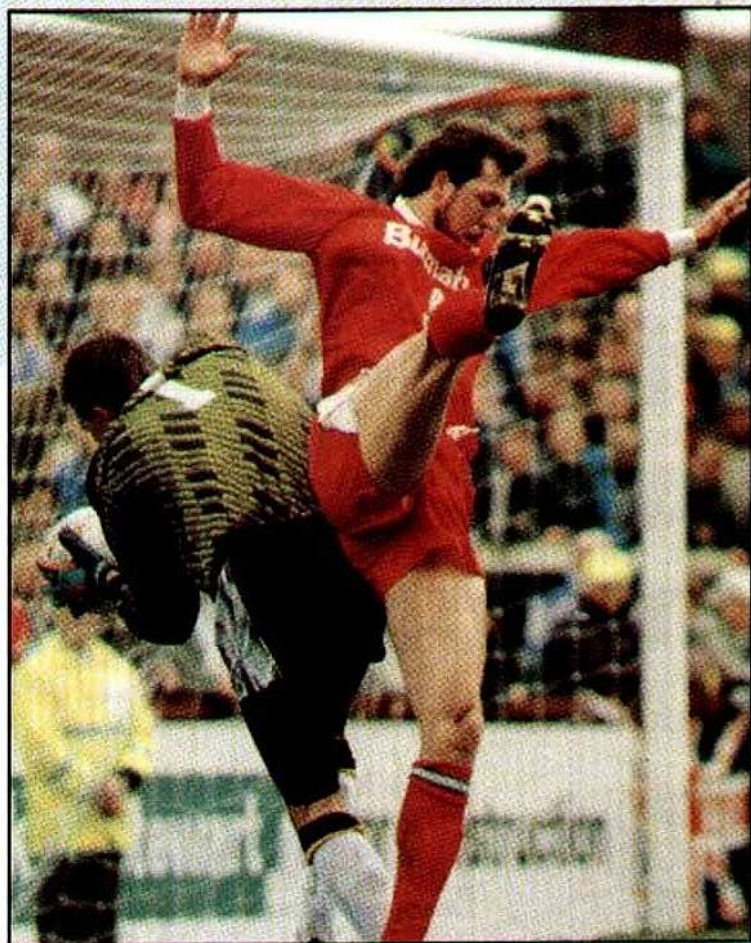
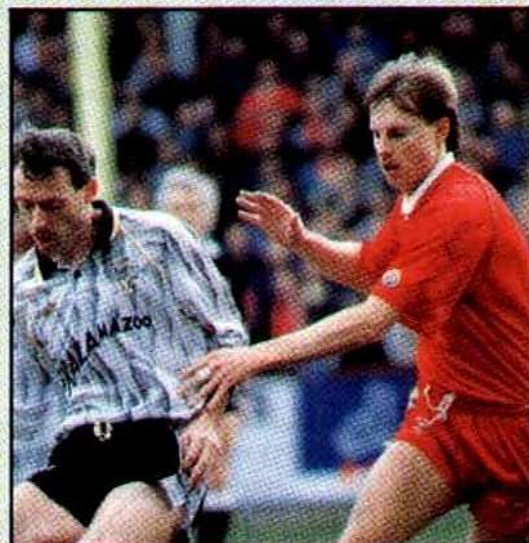
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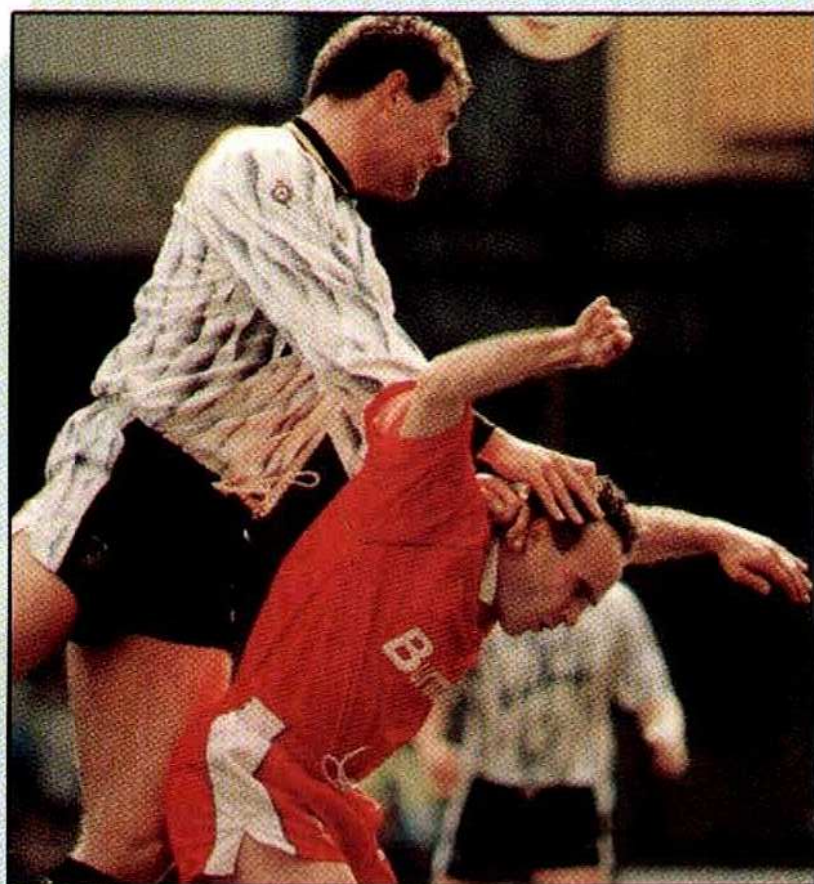
Port Vale keeper covers against Dave Mitchell.

Shaun Taylor ... all in the line of duty.





New boy Gary Waddock flies high against Port Vale.



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	League		Cup		TOTAL	
	APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS	APPS	GOALS
Paul Bodin	16	2	2	0	18	2
Alan Caidenwood	41	5	1	1	52	6
Shaun Close	3(19)	1	0(5)	0	3(24)	1
Fraser Digby	16	0	5	0	21	0
Steve Foley	5(8)	0	2(1)	0	7(9)	0
Terry Gibson	4	0	0	0	4	0
Nicky Hammond	25	0	6	0	31	0
Micky Hard	3	0	1	0	4	0
Glen Hoddle	17	0	3(1)	0	20(1)	0
Tom Jones	34(5)	4	8(3)	0	42(9)	4
Martin Ling	12(7)	2	4(1)	0	16(8)	2
Nestor Lorenzo	2(5)	0	0	0	2(5)	0
David Kerlake	34(1)	1	8	0	41(1)	1
Ross McLaren	32	1	11	1	43	2
Dave Mitchell	19(4)	5	4	0	23(4)	5
John Moncur	11(1)	0	0	0	11(1)	0
Duncan Shearer	37	22	11	10	48	32
Fitzroy Simpson	29(1)	4	10(1)	0	39(2)	4
Nicky Summerville	16(18)	0	6(3)	1	22(21)	1
Shaun Taylor	37	3	11	1	48	4
Paul Tropea	0(1)	0	0(0)	0	0(1)	0
Adrian Viseath	3	0	3(2)	0	12(6)	0
Garry Waddock	3	0	0	0	3	0
Steve White	21(3)	10	7(2)	5	28(5)	15

Isleworth Town	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
41	15	2	4	29	71	8	8	4	25	27	79	41
Cambridge Unit	42	0	8	8	28	16	5	7	5	28	24	40
Lutteridge City	41	12	4	4	37	21	8	4	5	20	26	38
Blackburn Rovers	42	13	4	2	36	15	6	5	10	24	26	36
Exeter City	42	9	5	6	29	22	11	5	10	24	26	36
Exeter City	41	8	6	6	22	21	11	3	7	28	23	35
Exeter City	42	9	5	6	29	22	11	5	10	24	26	36
Midland	39	11	6	1	20	9	7	5	9	18	26	35
Swindon Town	41	13	3	5	36	22	3	10	7	30	31	61
Portsmouth	41	13	5	2	38	12	4	5	11	21	34	61
Wolves	41	10	6	6	33	16	6	6	10	28	26	58
Wolves	42	11	3	7	37	35	6	6	9	25	32	60
Walsley	41	8	4	9	20	21	8	4	8	24	24	56
Tottenham Rovers	40	9	9	4	34	28	4	8	7	16	21	55
Reading Rovers	41	9	3	3	38	20	5	5	9	21	30	54
Reading Rovers	42	9	3	9	29	31	8	6	9	30	37	54
Millfield City	40	9	8	4	27	21	3	7	11	23	41	51
Remley	41	12	3	6	24	24	6	4	6	17	29	51
Remley	42	8	10	5	22	22	5	5	11	24	32	50
Remley	42	8	10	5	37	29	3	5	13	26	40	46
Remley	41	10	4	7	36	27	2	5	13	25	37	45
Plymouth Arg.	41	10	4	22	22	1	4	15	14	35	48	48
Sunderland	38	8	6	4	30	20	3	4	11	21	36	43
Pre Vale	42	7	7	7	23	20	3	8	11	17	43	43
Pre Vale	41	6	8	9	21	32	3	6	12	18	33	42

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TEAM
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- 1** Fraser Digby
- 2** David Kerslake
- 3** Paul Bodin
- 4** Tom Jones
- 5** Colin Calderwood
- 6** Shaun Taylor
- 7** Micky Hazard
- 8** Terry Gibson
- 9** Martin Ling
- 10** Glenn Hoddle
- 11** David Mitchell
- SUB: **12** Shaun Close
- 14** Nicky Summerbee

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- 2** Kevin Ashley
- 3** Mark Venus
- 4** Mark Rankine
- 5** Lawrie Madden
- 6** Derek Mountfield
- 7** Paul Birch
- 8** Paul Cook
- 9** Steve Bull
- 10** Andy Mutch
- 11** Keith Downing
- SUB: **12** Darren Simkin
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