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There were some
very interesting
topics of conver-
sation to come out of
last week's international
games.

None more so than the Colombian goalkeeper's two-footed save from Jamie Redknapp, and whether a goal would have been given had he got it wrong.

Many people enjoyed the moment and it caused much laughter on our training ground, but I really wanted to know what his Manager or Coach thought about his action. If his decision had lost the game for his team, how would his team mates have reacted?

Colombians do have a reputation for volatile behaviour at times. Only last summer, a defender was shot dead after a World Cup own goal; maybe the goalie would be better advised to use his sponsored gloves next time!

Gareth Taylor enjoyed another game for Wales Under-21 and was asked to stay on in Cardiff for the full international game against Moldova. Although Gareth didn't make the bench this time, he has gained valuable experience working with the likes of Ian Rush, Mark Hughes and Gary Speed, and it can only benefit Gareth and Bristol Rovers.

Unfortunately, Gareth had sat out in the pouring rain watching the game and felt the effects of that before the York City game and had to sit that one out with a touch of 'flu.

Back on the domestic front, I

would like to thank Jelf Insurance Group for their sponsorship of our Centre of Excellence for the forthcoming season. Their help will enable us to provide quality equipment for the training and coaching of over 100 boys aged between 9 and 16 years of age. A great deal of outside help is required to give our lads the best possible chance to improve their skills and we are all very grateful to Jelfs for their valuable assistance and support for the youth of Bristol rovers.

Onto today, and we welcome Steve McMahon and his high-flying Swindon Town team. I hope we can both provide a good game for everyone before our very attractive Cup games next week, when West Ham visit Twerton Park and Swindon play Champions Blackburn Rovers.

Enjoy today's game, thank you for your attendance.

John Ward
Manager



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Peter Thorne

A flying start confirms the Robins as favourites to bounce back to Division One.

The disappointments of last season are fast receding as League points quickly accumulate with a succession of impressive performances.

Town opened with a tricky fixture at Hull City, but withstood first half pressure to win the match through a diving near-post header from STEVE FINNEY.

Manager STEVE MCMAHON demonstrated his knowledge of the Manchester City reserve squad to pinch the striker during the summer. His faith has been immediately rewarded with four goals from his first six League outings. Finney began at Preston North End, but failed to make the first eleven after moving to Maine Road.

That single goal at Hull was sufficient because the player-manager orchestrated a final quarter of possession football skillfully assisted by PAUL BODIN and WAYNE O'SULLIVAN.

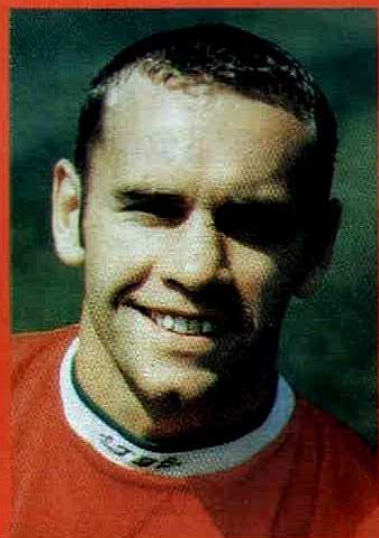
Welsh international Paul is no stranger to Twerton Park, having been signed in 1984 on a free transfer by Bath City from Cardiff City. Three years out of the League recharged his batteries and he moved to Newport County for a few weeks before the first Swindon contract began.

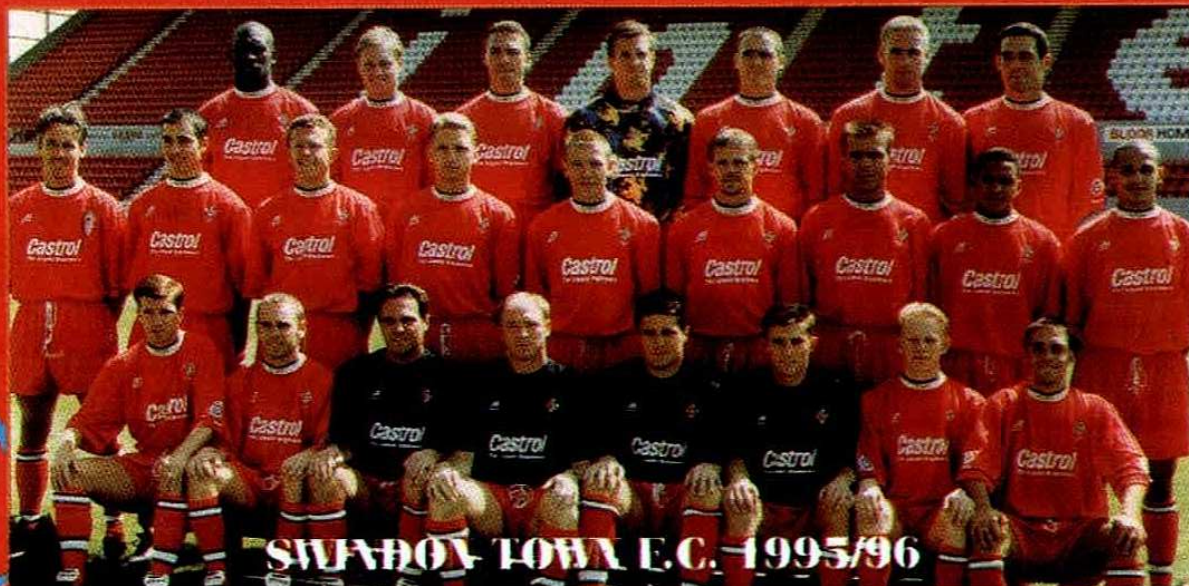
A half million move to Crystal Palace in 1991 proved unsuccessful and he returned to the County Ground nine months later for half the fee. He went on to play a prominent part in the Club's rise to the top flight. A back injury forced Paul to miss the second half of last season, and so it was ironic that an injury to JASON DRYSDALE at Hull allowed him to reclaim his left side berth from the substitutes' bench.

Wayne came through the ranks too late to play in the Premiership. He made his debut against Port Vale at the beginning of last season. His twenty-yard run towards a retreating Brentford defence two weeks ago ended with a powerful shot that set up the 2-0 win and recorded his first League goal.

Debut goals have become

Wayne O'Sullivan





BACK ROW: Wayne Allison, Paul Bodin, Shaun Taylor, Fraser Digby, Mark Seagraves, Andy Thomson, Peter Thorne.
MIDDLE ROW: Ian Culverhouse, Kevin Horlock, Jason Drysdale, Stephen Finney, Dean Hooper, Mark Robinson, Luc Nijholt (no longer with the club), Ty Gooden, Edwin Murray.
FRONT ROW: Martin Ling, Wayne O'Sullivan, Andy Rowland (First Team Coach), Steve McMahon (Player/Manager), Ross MacLaren (Reserve Team Coach), Jonathan Trigg (Physio), Jamie Pitman, Ben Worrall.

commonplace at Swindon this season. **EDDIE MURRAY** and **WAYNE ALLISON** have also bagged firsts.

In Murray's case, it was something of a surprise. the left-sided defender was pressed into action as an emergency striker at Carlisle and scored the only goal with a superb volley from the corner of the box. His reward? He was dropped to substitute for the next match - the local derby against Oxford! His replacement was **WAYNE ALLISON**, who then hit his first goal since his move from Bristol City.

When **PETER THORNE** regains full fitness, the Swindon strike force will take some stopping. Peter was signed from Blackburn Rovers in January, frustrated by the lack of opportunity caused by the huge transfer import Sutton and Shearer, and became an instant hero with two goals in his first full appearance.

At the other end of the park, the departure of **NICKY HAMMOND** to Plymouth and an injury to the unsettle **FRASER DIGBY** has given Irishman **SHAY GIVEN** a chance of first team action on loan from Blackburn Rovers. To prevent Given becoming cup-tied, **STEVE MILDENHALL** was given a debut between the post during the Coca Cola win over Cambridge United that earned the Robins a crack at the Premiership Champions.

Given has now returned to Ewood Park, and has been replace by another Blackburn loan 'keeper in **FRANK TALIA**. The Australian was signed from Sunshine George Cross three years ago, but his only League experience was gained on loan at Hartlepool where he failed to finish on the winning side in any of his fifteen appearances.

Frank should find the Swindon rearguard more solid than the Hartlepool

equivalent with the experience of **IAN CULVERHOUSE** and **MARK SEAGRAVES** available.

Ian was a Tottenham apprentice who made only two appearances before moving to Norwich City where he enjoyed a successful decade of over 300 games. He was the new manager's first signing last December, but was plagued with a persistent ankle injury which is now, hopefully, behind him.

Mark was a Liverpool trainee who made three loan appearances for Norwich and went on to build his reputation at Manchester City and Bolton Wanderers, with whom he won a Coca Cola Runners-up medal last season.

There is a wealth of talent waiting to fill the midfield places for our visitors. **TY GOODEN**, who came from Wycombe Wanderers in 1993, filled a wide role for the first three games, but

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KEVIN HORLOCK has been selected recently. The ex-West Ham trainee won his first Northern Ireland full international cap against Latvia in April.

MARK ROBINSON has held down a regular spot. He was briefly Swindon's record signing when he left Newcastle United in July last year. Mark was apprenticed at West Brom, then caught Kevin Keegan's eye at Barnsley.

JOEY BEAUCHAMP is another "big-buy" import. His six-figure move to West Ham from Oxford United last less

than two months before he signed for Swindon early last season. Joey prefers to operate on the flanks.

The squad is completed by youngsters **DEAN HOOPER** and **JAMIE PITMAN**. Winger Dean was signed from non-league Hayes in March and has made a few substitute appearances, while Jamie was a YTS recruit who made his League bow against Portsmouth last season, but has only made it to the bench this term.

Bob Ford

SIDE ISSUE

Most managers choose between the Directors' Box or the dug-out to watch their game plan enacted on the park.

For that rear breed in the Endsleigh League, the player-manager, no such luxury exists and Steve McMahon has found that there is no substitute for a substitute when tired legs or a more picturesque view of the action demands.

Steve has started every match this season, but is less likely to be on the field at the final whistle.

At Cambridge in the Coca-Cola Cup first leg, with his team 2-1 down, he swapped places with Luc Nijholt on 65 minutes, but the move made no impression on the night's result. It did seem to make an impression on the Dutchman, however. It turned out to be his last appearance for the Reds, and he has now returned home to become player-coach of First Division outfit F.C. Volendam.

A couple of days later, in quite different circumstances, with a 3-0 lead over York City, Steve stepped out for a well-deserved rest and entrusted Kevin Horlock with the remaining twelve minutes.

In the hectic derby with Oxford, Joey Beauchamp relieved his boss for eight minutes and at Brentford, Eddie Murray did the honours for the whole of the second half.

Any bets on the manager playing a full ninety minutes this afternoon?



STAR MAN

SHAUN TAYLOR

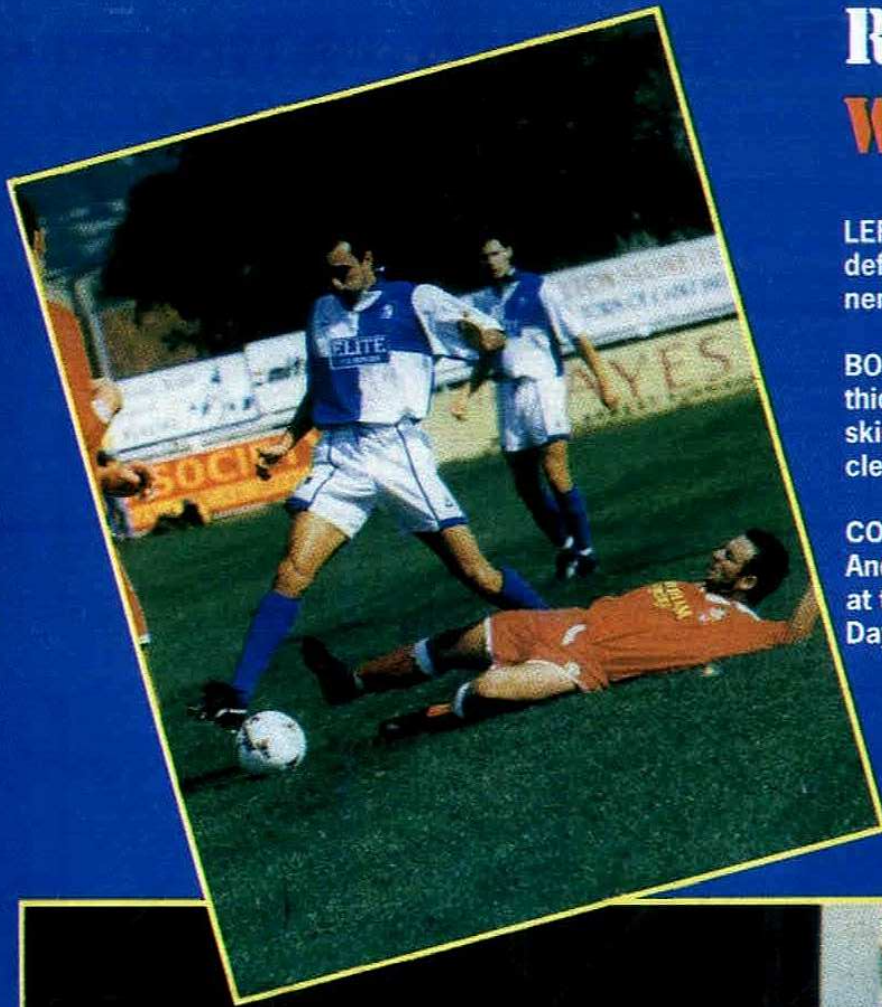
Last season's "Player of the Year", despite missing

seven weeks with a broken arm, will take pride in a League start that boast four clean sheets from six.

Shaun began his career at Exeter City, where he won a 1990 Fourth Division Championship medal and made over 200 appearances. Glenn Hoddle took him from his native Devon in 1991 to form a central defensive partnership with Colin Calderwood that anchored the Robins through their into the Premiership.

Always eager to join his attack at set pieces, he bagged eleven goals in 1992/93 and climaxed the promotion campaign by netting the third in the 4-3 Play-Off Final victory over Leicester City at Wembley. His four goals last season shows that the threat remains.

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LEFT: Paul Miller foils a Wrexham defender just outside the opponents box.

BOTTOM: Marcus Stewart in the thick of it during a goalmouth skirmish as a Wrexham defender clears off the line

COVER PIC: Gareth Taylor and Andy Tillson with a few admirers at the recent Bristol Rovers Fun Day at Somerdale.



With both Swindon and ourselves preparing for next weeks glamour Coca Cola cup ties against Premier Division opposition, I thought it would be appropriate to look back to 1968/69, a season which saw our Wiltshire neighbours win the League Cup by defeating Arsenal at Wembley and clinching promotion from Division Three, by finishing runners-up to Champions Watford.

Rovers did not, by comparison, enjoy a great deal of success that season, being knocked out of the League Cup, by Swansea, in the First Round and finishing the season in 16th place in the League. However, we took three points off the Robins during that campaign.

The first meeting of the sides, at Eastville on 21st September 1968, marked Harold Jarman's 350th appearance for the 'Gas' and also saw goalkeeper Ray White play the only home game in his three match League career with us. Swindon who, at the time, boasted the best defensive record in the League, were beaten 2-1, thanks to second half goals from Wayne Jones and Ray Graydon. An own goal by Rovers centre half Stuart Taylor, two minutes from time, was some consolation for our visitors. It was Jarman, though, who was the star of the show.

Manager, Fred Ford gave the

winger a deeper role to help out down the right flank of the defence, where Don Rogers was expected to cause trouble.

A crowd of 10,614 were at Eastville that day and Rovers fielded the following side (average age 22):
White, Parsons, Mabbutt, Taylor, Lloyd, Prince, Graydon, Barney, R.Jones, W. Jones, Jarman.
Sub: Ronaldson

By this time we travelled to the County Ground for the return fixture, in 12th April 1969, Swindon had already won the League Cup and were in second place in the League and looking for points to increase their lead over third placed Luton Town.

According to local press reports, Rovers, having won a midweek match at Stockport to ease their own relegation fears; "Held the League Cup winners with one of the best performances of the season, cruelly taunting their jittery opponents, giving the home side two goals, then fighting back to deprive them of a home point that might cost them promotion".

A Don Rogers penalty, after just 2 minutes gave Swindon the lead and after 63 minutes, it was 2-0 as a shot from Rogers was deflected off the outstretched boot of Larry Lloyd to wrong for the goalkeeper Laurie Taylor. However, Rovers battled back to secure a well earned draw, with goals from Wayne Jones and Joe

Gadston. The attendance that day was 20,401 and Rovers fielded the following side:
L.Taylor, R. Jones, Stanton, S.Taylor, Lloyd, Petts, Jarman, Ronaldson, W. Jones, Gadston, R.Williams
SUB: Parsons

Programme covers from both games are reproduced here, as is the cover of the Swindon brochure 'The Way To Wembley' The game has changed dramatically since Town went to Wembley as a Third Division side, but I'm sure that both sides will face next week's ties with confidence and optimism that Swindon's feat can be repeated. Here's hoping!

Keith Brookman



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In the first round of mid-week League fixtures, Bradford City took over the leadership of the Division with a 2-0 win at Notts County, while today's visitor's Swindon Town dropped their first points of the campaign in a 1-1 home draw with Oxford United - despite taking the lead through **Wayne Allison's** first goal since moving from Ashton Gate. But it was Allison's mistake which allowed **Paul Moody** to grab the equaliser.

Rovers win over Burnley, thanks to a **Gareth Taylor** strike here at Twerton moved the Pirates into third position, as the Clarets lost for the first time this season.

Another Taylor was on target - this time **Robert Taylor** - as Brentford beat Hull by the only goal at Griffin Park, while **Andy Preece** and **James Quinn** were on target as Blackpool beat Peterborough.

Wrexham, unbeaten on their last five visits to Dean Court, made it six without defeat there. On this occasion they took an early lead through **Kevin Russell**, but Bournemouth earned a point as **Steve Jones** continued his scoring run with an equaliser.

Former Brighton Youth player **Miguel De Souza** returned to the Goldstone Ground with a

vengeance, scoring twice as Wycombe came from a goal behind - scored by **Gary Bull**, on his first appearance on loan from Nottingham Forest - to win 2-1. Chesterfield, too, after trailing, won by the same scoreline with goals from **Andy Morris** and **Tony Lormor** accounting for York.

It seemed as though Carlisle were heading for their first League success of the season with a **David Reeves** brace at Rotherham, but had to be content with a point as **Shaun Goater** scored twice to rescue the Millers. Shrewsbury registered their first League win with four second half goals against Bristol City after trailing by a single goal at the break, while Walsall, who had won six times in their last seven visits to Crewe, went down to a late strike from substitute **Robert Edwards**. Stockport, with goals from Ian Helliwell and Alun Armstrong accounted for Swansea City, 2-0 at Edgeley Park.

Two weeks ago, Bradford's unexpected 4-0 reverse at home to Wycombe Wanderers cost them the leadership of the section. The damage was done by **Miguel De Souza** who followed up his double in midweek with a hat-trick.

That gave the leadership back to Swindon. They notched up an excellent 2-0 victory over Brentford at Griffin Park, while Bournemouth, who this time last season were anchored at the

foot of the table, moved into second place with a 2-1 home win over Rotherham. **Jason Brissett** and **Matt Holland** were the Cherries' players on target.

Blackpool's Andy Preece capped a good week with a double at Gay Meadow as his side beat struggling Shrewsbury 2-0. It was the Seasiders' first-ever win there and moved them into third place.

Late goals from Gareth Owen and Steve Watkin gave Wrexham a 2-1 victory here at Twerton as Rovers slipped from third to sixth, below Swansea, who had to rely on a **Carl Heggs** goal for a point against Carlisle, who had gone in front through **Lee Peacock**.

Crewe and Stockport shared the spoils in a 1-1 draw in the Cheshire derby at Edgeley Park, Oxford ensured that York remained bottom after goals from **Matt Elliott** and **Wayne Biggins** had set up a 2-0 victory and Notts County, unbeaten on their last six visits to Brighton were within four minutes of extending that sequence, going down to a **Junior McDougald** goal.

In the remaining games, **David Seal's** sixth goal of the season earned Bristol City a point at Peterborough after the Robins had gone behind to an early **Sean Farrell** strike, while Chesterfield and Hull played out a goalless affair at Saltergate.

Alan Lacock

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Our last home game here against Wrexham a fortnight ago was really out of character in as much that it is rare that we let ourselves down in the later stages of a game as we did on that occasion.

The two goals came like a bolt from the blue, and I must admit that watching from the stand, I thought that the game was won. It was particularly disappointing coming so soon after our great performance against Burnley four days earlier.

Some would say that we suffered some reaction after such a marvellous game, but the lads had spoken about that and had been warned that they must keep things tight to avoid the "after the Lord Mayor's Show" syndrome.

The best way to get such a result out of the system is to bounce back quickly, and as we have done so often in the past, that's exactly what we did at York. It may not have been the best performance in the world, but we scrapped hard, especially after Andy Gurney was sent off.

And what a bonus to pick up all three points when, in the circumstances we would have settled for one.

It was pleasing to see Paul Miller get the all-important goal. "Mills" has worked hard in midfield and has done a good job for the team.

Today, we receive our local rivals Swindon Town here at Twerton, and I am convinced that we are going to see a great game, full of passion and commitment.

This is the first time that the teams have met for a few seasons now, and that will add that extra spice. Swindon have started the season well, and look to be one of the main threats to us.

Swindon have always been a passing team, and this season they have added an aggressive side to their game. That characterises their manager Steve McMahon who made it clear last season that he was not entirely happy with one or two things in their style of play.

He has changed it and all credit to him. I haven't seen them 'live' yet, but I did see some T.V. highlights, and it is fair to say that they have certainly not sacrificed their passing style to add that little bit of aggression. This afternoon's game is sure to be a tough one.

I would love to be out there this afternoon. The injury is responding to treatment and I did have a run-out with the lads early in the week. As I've said before, I am not going to rush back, and I hope to be involved. Time will tell!

And talking of time, what a busy and important month coming up. Besides our Coca

Cola Cup meetings with West Ham, we meet Brentford and Oxford among others. Certainly it will show what we are made of.

As I have said before, we have only shown patches of the form we are capable of, and it is games such as those I have mentioned that will give us a good yardstick and are also the type of games in which you reproduce your best form.

Some of you may have heard me in a different guise last night, when I sat in for Geoff Twentyman on his "phone-in" show. I'm not sure quite how I got roped in, only to say that Geoff just happened to mention in passing that he was going off on holiday and would I step in.

I said yes before I realised the implications, and have spent most of my time since accepting the invitation trying to keep my 'guest' appearance quiet from the lads.

I'm not sure that I've been successful, and I must admit I am expecting one of the lads to set me up. Anyway, it's a 'one-off' and I am always prepared to have a go at something different and does mean I can talk to someone other than Keith James, who by the way has, I hear, been nicknamed the "Pied Piper".

This came about at the start of this week as he was seen leading a group of the injured lads on a run across the Keynasham Training Ground. The only thing that was missing was the tin whistle or was it a flute?

Keep up the good work Keith, but please forget about being a musician!

Andy.



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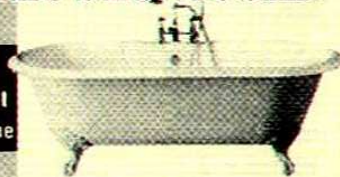
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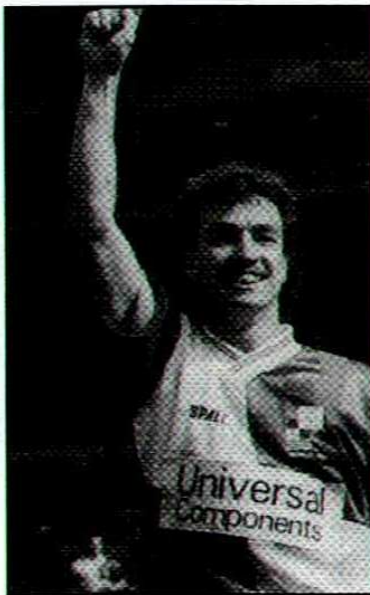
Rovers inside-forward Tony James was born on this day in the Welsh Town of Ynysyawl. James had joined Brighton in June 1939 from Folkestone Town before his career was interrupted by the Second World War. On the resumption of League football, he scored nineteen goals in 70 League games for Brighton. In September 1947, he scored his side's consolation goal in Rovers' 4-1 victory at Eastville. James joined Rovers in July 1949 and appeared in 21 League games, scoring five goals, before leaving for Bath City in August 1951.

16th September 1925

Seventy years ago today, Rovers travelled to Swindon to take on today's opponents in a Division Three (South) game. Following a 3-2 victory at Merthyr in midweek, Rovers kept an unchanged side for the first time that season. Swindon were also unchanged after a 1-0 win at Gillingham, which meant that former Rovers wing-half Sam Furniss played against his previous club. A crowd of 6,500 saw Swindon win 4-2 with goals from Wall, Richardson (2) and Denyer. Jimmy Lofthouse scored Rovers' first goal, while the second was the only goal in centre-half Frank Wragge's League career. Swindon, who had already done the double over Bristol City, defeated Rovers 2-1 at Eastville just after Christmas, and finished the

season in sixth place in the Division. Rovers finished fourth from bottom.

16th September 1964



Phil Purnell, who was born in Bristol on this day in 1964, played in Rovers' League side in seven consecutive seasons. He joined Rovers from Mangotsfield United in September 1985 and, apart from a brief loan spell with Swansea City, remained at the Club until April 1993. In 130 (plus 22 substitute) League games for Rovers, he scored 22 goals. These included one at Newport in May 1987 which ensured Third Division survival, and another at Blackpool - one of Rovers' three - which secured the Third Division Championship in 1990. Purnell was granted a Testimonial game against Queens Park Rangers after being forced to quit the game through injury. He is now Assistant Manager to another former Rover, Ian Alexander, at Beazer Homes League, Yate Town.

Geoff Twentyman

16th September 1989

Rovers lost only five League games on their way to the Third Division Championship in 1989-90. After the first of these, a 1-0 defeat at Bolton Wanderers, an immediate recovery was essential. On the 16th September 1989, Rovers beat Preston North End 3-0 at Twerton Park, Devon White, Gary Penrice and Geoff Twentyman scoring the goals. For Twentyman, it was an opportune moment to score a rare goal for the Club, as he had previously spent three seasons with Preston. This was to be the second of three consecutive seasons that Twentyman was an ever-present for Rovers. He scored six goals in 248 (plus four substitute) League games for Rovers, before joining Yate Town in February 1993. He also had a short spell with Irish League side Linfield, helping them win the Championship to qualify for Europe.

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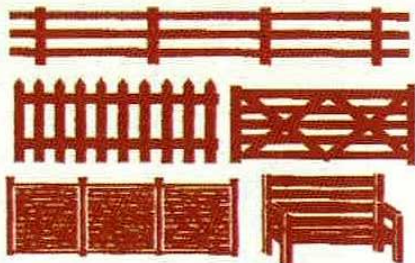
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TODAY'S COLLECTION

This afternoon, there will be a collection held here at Twerton Park in aid of the Frenchay Stroke Support Group.

The Group, part of the Stroke Foundation, is helping sufferers from stroke to readjust to family and community life. With the help of volunteers who offer their services as drivers, they are able to convey the disabled to clubs and provide individual support to patients who need help with rehabilitation after hospital treatment.

Some are completely dependent for their life outside of the home on the activities which their service can provide; for many, it is a long-term readjustment. In order to meet their needs, a continuous flow of funding is sought. Those who have witnessed the impact of stroke on family or friends will know the importance of the Group's work. They hope that you supporters will be generous in supporting their Volunteer Collectors today.

Thank you in anticipation.

OXFORD TICKETS ON SALE

For our game with Oxford United at the Manor Ground on Saturday 30th September, we have been advised that there will be no concessions on the day of the

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Kevin Buckley of 11 Hyde Close, Green Park, Newport Pagnell, Bucks, MK16 0NL has written to the Club asking for help.

Kevin, who describes himself as "Forever a Gashead", urgently needs anyone living in the Milton Keynes or Buckinghamshire area who regularly travels to Rovers' home and away games, and has room, to give him a lift. He can be contacted on the telephone. His number is 01908 511485.

In a similar vein, we have also received a request for assistance from another long-distance supporter, Ian Hewer.

Ian, whose address is **Hambledon, Thoresby Road, North Cotes, Lincs, DN36 5UY**, is thinking about arranging coach travel to Rovers' home games and would like to hear from any Rovers fans who might be interested in utilising the coach. Sorry no phone number has been supplied, but you can write to Ian at the address supplied.

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Today we are pleased to welcome to Twerton Park 6 years old **TIMOTHY THORNE** who is a keen 'Gashead' and lives at the Golden Lion, Wrington with his family.

He is a pupil at Wrington Primary School and his hobbies are football, swimming and fishing. His favourite players are Marcus Stewart and Gareth Taylor. We hope you have a great day with us!



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The **Bristol Rovers Fun Day** at Somerdale on the **30th August** was a great success and a Raffle for 3 superb Hampers donated to the Club by **Elite Hampers** were won by the following Raffle Ticket holders. Only one has been claimed as yet - so check your raffle ticket number **TODAY** as you could be in for a very enjoyable surprise!

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ACTION ON THE PITCH

There will be our customary half-time shoot-out on the pitch today.

Those competing will be supporters from both teams shooting it out see who are tops amongst the junior supporters.

Those wishing to join in must meet in the Young Pirates Room before the game for further details.

AWAY TRIP

A great time was had by all who travelled to York last Saturday.

We were delayed on the way to York by the MOTORWAY POLICE, with one of their spotchecks, but there was still time to have a look around the sights before going off to the game.

JAMES BLAKE was the lucky mascot on the day and not only did we win the game, but also the shoot-out on the pitch at half-time. 6-4 was the score. Well done lads!

The next away travel will be to Oxford United on 30th September, so if you wish to book your place, then come into the Young Pirates Room today to secure a place on the coach. Prices and times will be confirmed shortly and will appear in the Brentford programme next Saturday.

Enjoy the game today.

Paul Skinner

Now that the Summer Soccer Schools have come to an end, attention is turned to the next set of Soccer Schools and details will be available shortly. As they say, watch this space.

SCHOOLS COACHING

In our efforts to build on the foundations established in previous years, we have just written to Schools in the area offering our services for coaching sessions to the youngsters in the area.

We hope it will be as successful as in the past, and look for-

ward to adding to our list during this season. For more details please phone the Community Department who would be pleased to give anyone interested further details.

CALLING ALL YOUTH TEAMS

Once again this season, we are offering Youth footballers the chance of a Saturday morning training session before taking in a first team match here at Twerton Park in the afternoon.

This has proved to be popular in the past, and we have already written to clubs in the various Youth Leagues.

Again, if you run a side and have not had details, or, indeed you have received a letter and require more

details, please get in touch.

The number to ring is 0117 986 0809 and please ask for Dave or Nick

ROVERS' WOMEN'S TEAMS GET READY

Training got underway last Wednesday at Soundwell Sports Centre as the Rovers Women's teams get ready for the new season.

New players are always welcome, and anyone interested in playing, young or old should go along to the training nights which are held every Wednesday at Soundwell between 6.00p.m. and 7.00p.m. or contact the Community Department.

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Normally three home matches in eight days would make any Rovers' supporter as confident as could be but, today Rovers begin a very difficult little spell.

Our near neighbours and visitors this afternoon led the 2nd Division from the start of the season until last Saturday. On Wednesday we face Premiership opposition in the Coca Cola Cup then, next Saturday last season's runners-up will provide another formidable task for the 'Gas'. Hopefully last Saturday's resolute form at York was continued into Tuesday's return to Yorkshire but that match was played after these notes were penned. I hope the 'all-ticket' handicap, coupled with so many games in a short spell, does not diminish the usual support so vital to John Ward's men!

Last Thursday our latest draw was held at the 'Horseshoe' in

Downend and early indications are that it has been very successful. Many thanks to all of you who either took the time and effort to sell the tickets or, who dug deep into your pockets to buy them! All proceeds go to the Rovers of course and these money-raisers are vital when the Club is trying so hard to keep hold of some very talented young players. Full results should be available for publishing in next Saturday's 'Pirate'.

I sincerely hope that today, at long last, we have our new shop open in the car park. Being a fair bit larger than the previous portacabin it has had to be relocated and it is this that has caused the delay in opening this season. Fortunately the dry weather held whilst we made use of John Keyes' market stall. Our sincere thanks go to John, not only for the loan of the stall but, even more, for erecting it before and dismantling it after each match! Whilst it served its purpose the oncoming dark evenings and worsening weather would have may it unusable soon so the new shop, previously in use at Rovers' Keynsham training ground, was desperately required. Much work remains to be done on the shop but I

hope you find it an improvement on what we had before, even if there has been a long wait to get it open! Another improvement in our service this season has been the running of coaches to away matches from two different start points. With the experience gained and comments received from our travelling members we have now made an amendment. On each trip coach 1 only will pick up exclusively at Eastville, opposite our old premises in Stapleton Road as always. Subsequent coaches will pick up outside Kingswood Post Office 20 minutes before the Eastville start time, as well as from Stapleton Road. Start times for both places will be given in our advert for each trip. Please ensure that you advise where you want to catch your coach when booking.

Enjoy the match, get behind the 'Gas' and let's hope today is the start of a 'hat-trick' of home wins!

Jim Chappell.

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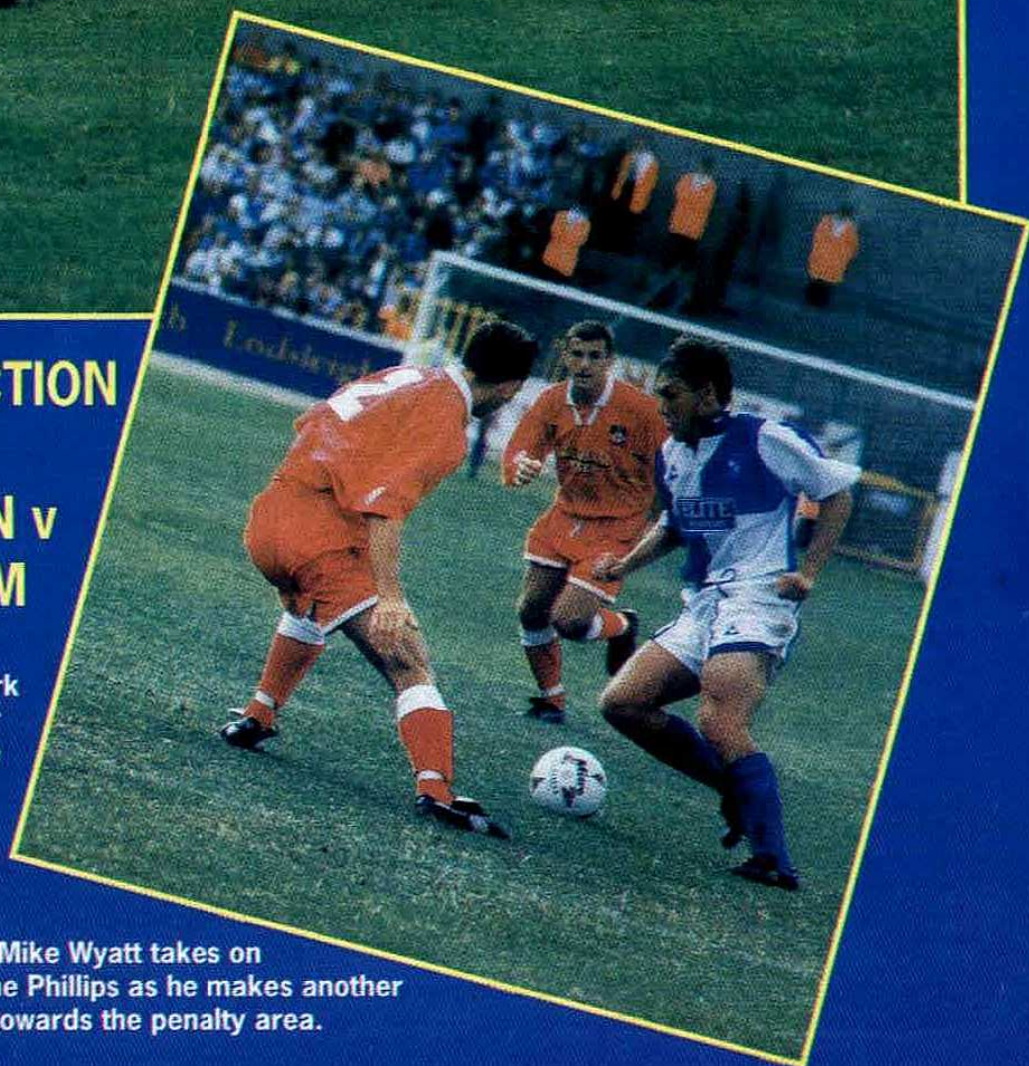
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ABOVE: Billy Clark gets into another goalmouth tussle against the Robins' during the match at Twerton Park.



RIGHT: New boy Mike Wyatt takes on Wrexham's Wayne Phillips as he makes another determined run towards the penalty area.

NOT UP TO PAR! BRISTOL ROVERS 0 WIMBLEDON 4

After two encouraging performances against the second strings of premiership sides, the young Reserve side were well beaten by the Dons at Yate.

Reserve Team Manager Terry Connor was bitterly disappointed by his team's performance. "For the games with Southampton and Arsenal, the lads were keen and determined, but for the Wimbledon game, we were awful. Indeed, we can have no complaints about the scoreline, it could have been a couple more.

"Throughout the game, we showed little commitment, and that is a cardinal sin. I will not tolerate that, and told the lads in no uncertain terms. We have to compete in this League.

Team: Higgs, Honor, Harte, Dibble, McLean, White, French, Hayfield, Davis, Paul, Wyatt.
Subs: Parkinson for Davis, Atkinson for Paul, Fox.

NO REWARD FOR IMPROVEMENT BRISTOL ROVERS 1 CHELSEA 5

Although the scoreline might not suggest it, this was a much improved performance from the Reserves, and Terry Connor was pleased with the way his players responded after the disappointment of the Wimbledon game.

"It is not often that you go into the dressing room after a 5-1 defeat and say to your side 'Well played', but I did after this game. It just wasn't a 5-1 game.

"The difference between the two sides was the quality of crosses delivered and the finishing of the Chelsea lads. They were excellent, and served to demonstrate to our lads what can be achieved with that type of execution. We had enjoyed as much possession as they did.

"At least we got back to basics after the Wimbledon game. It has not been easy for the lads. Injuries and first team calls have meant that we have not been able to field

a settled side, which doesn't help us build a pattern. I am not one to make excuses, and recognise that you have to live with that situation. It is particularly unfortunate, however, that these problems have been encountered at a time when we have played some of the strongest opposition in the Avon Insurance Combination, namely, Premiership sides.

Team: Collett, Dibble, Honor, Hayfield, McLean, French, Parkinson, Morgan, Davis, Atkinson, Wyatt.
Subs: Archer for Morgan, Davey for Atkinson, De Long.

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22 Aug.	Arsenal	A	1-2
30 Aug.	WIMBLEDON	H	0-4
4 Sept.	CHELSEA	H	1-5
11 Sept.	Millwall	A	
18 Sept.	SWINDON	H	
25 Sept.	Tottenham	A	
2 Oct	PORTSMOUTH	H	
10 Oct	QPR	A	
17 Oct.	Watford	A	
24 Oct.	Crystal Palace	A	
30 Oct.	WEST HAM	H	
8 Nov.	Bristol City	A	
13 Nov.	BRIGHTON & H	H	
22 Nov.	Charlton A	A	
27 Nov.	IPSWICH TOWN	H	
6 Dec.	Luton Town	A	
11 Dec.	NORWICH CITY	H	
18 Dec.	Oxford United	A	
27 Dec.	ARSENAL	H	
3 Jan.	Wimbledon	A	
8 Jan.	Chelsea	A	
15 Jan.	MILLWALL	H	
22 Jan.	Swindon Town	A	
29 Jan.	TOTTENHAM	H	
6 Feb.	Portsmouth	A	
12 Feb.	QPR	H	
19 Feb.	WATFORD	H	
26 Feb.	CRYSTAL PALACE	H	
5 Mar.	West Ham	A	
11 Mar.	BRISTOL CITY	H	
20 Mar.	Brighton & Hove	A	
25 Mar.	CHARLTON A	H	
3 Apr.	Ipswich Town	A	
10 Apr.	LUTON TOWN	H	
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24 Apr.	OXFORD UNITED	H	
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Arsenal	2	2	0	1	4	1	+ 3	6
Crystal Palace	3	2	0	1	2	1	+ 1	6
Chelsea	3	1	1	1	6	4	+ 2	1
Watford	3	1	1	1	5	3	+ 2	4
Millwall	2	1	1	0	3	1	+ 2	4
Ipswich	3	1	1	1	3	2	+ 1	4
Southampton	2	1	1	0	2	1	+ 1	4
Luton Town	3	0	3	0	5	5	0	3
West Ham	2	1	0	1	3	3	0	3
Bristol City	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	3
Oxford United	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	2
Tottenham	3	0	2	1	3	4	- 1	2
Portsmouth	3	0	2	1	3	5	- 2	2
Swindon	3	0	2	1	1	7	- 6	2
Brighton	3	0	1	2	2	5	- 3	1
Charlton	3	0	1	2	2	6	- 4	1
BRISTOL ROVERS	4	0	0	4	2	12	- 10	0

LAST GASP WINNER

CRYSTAL PALACE 2
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Palace were strong, mobile and dominant in the first half of a match that was expected to be one of the toughest in the season.

The London outfit lead the League and have maximum points after four starts, and they were in front after only four minutes from a deflected shot.

Youth Team Coach, **Tony Gill** felt that "my back four were defending too deep and we were relieved to concede only one goal in the first period. We came back into it during the second half, and after **Lee Fox** was fouled following a corner, **Sheridan Sefton** put away the penalty to give us a deserved equaliser."

From that point onwards, Rovers had their resolution tested as Palace pushed forward. **James Davey** came on to replace **Simon Teague** with fifteen minutes left, and near the end, **Justin Brown** came on briefly in place of **Lee Zabek**. The rear-guard action by the sound Rovers defence looked to be working until deep into injury time, Palace were themselves awarded a penalty to make the final score 2-1 with the ultimate action of this eventful encounter.

Youth Development Manager, **Roy Dolling** said that "Palace were a good side and played the better football for long spells, but we were totally committed and were unfortunate not to gain something from the game."

Team: Johnson, Uren, Serjeant, Fox, Harte, Sefton, Zabek, Morgan, Low, Atkinson, Teague.

Subs: Sanderson, Brown for Zabek, Davey for Teague

TWERTON EXTRAVAGANZA

F.A. Youth Cup
Success For Rovers'
Youngsters

BRISTOL ROVERS 5
OXFORD CITY 0

Rovers Youth Team convincingly won the first of many matches that they hope to play at Twerton Park this season.

In comparison to the normal pitches that youth teams play on, the surface at Twerton is brilliant..

Playing on an evening after light drizzle, under floodlights, is greatly enjoyed. Two goals from **Simon Teague** and one each from **Stuart Harte**, **Ryan Morgan** and **David Atkinson**, together with a hatful of missed chances and the assaults on the woodwork by Atkinson saw off Oxford City. It was 3-0 at half-time, and **Ray Johnson** between the sticks hardly touched the ball.

Youth Team Coach, **Tony Gill** was unhappy with "the number of passes that went astray or were overhit. Perhaps the zippy top surface did not help, but there is room for improvement when we have the ball."

Another home draw is the reward for this victory. a guaranteed Rovers win in the next round: bring on Forest Green.

Team: Johnson, Uren, Serjeant, Fox, Harte, Sefton, Zabek, Morgan, Low, Atkinson, Teague.

Subs: De Long for Uren, Sanderson for Zabek and Davey for Atkinson.

THE SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION 2 1994 - 95

DATE	VERSUS	H/A	F. A.
12 Aug	Southampton	A	0 - 2
19 Aug	TOTTENHAM	H	2 - 1
26 Aug	READING	H	6 - 1
2 Sept	Crystal Palace	A	1 - 2
9 Sept	SWINDON TOWN	H	0 - 1
16 Sept	FULHAM (LC1)	H	
23 Sept	Colchester	A	
30 Sept	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H	
7 Oct	Oxford United	A	
14 Oct	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	
28 Oct	Bristol City	A	
4 Nov	WIMBLEDON	H	
11 Nov	Brentford	A	
18 Nov	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALB.	H	
2 Dec	Barnet	A	
9 Dec	LUTON TOWN	H	
16 Dec	Luton Town	A	
30 Dec	SOUTHAMPTON	H	
6 Jan	Tottenham	A	
13 Jan	Reading	A	
20 Jan	CRYSTAL PALACE	H	
27 Jan	Swindon Town	A	
3 Feb	COLCHESTER	H	
10 Feb	Wycombe Wanderers	A	
17 Feb	OXFORD UNITED	H	
24 Feb	AFC Bournemouth	A	
2 Mar	BRISTOL CITY	H	
9 Mar	Wimbledon	A	
16 Mar	BRENTFORD	H	
23 Mar	Brighton & Hove Alb.	A	
30 Mar	BARNET	H	

THE HOPE BROTHERS



Matt (above) and David (below). Will they be as famous as the CHARLTONS?



To play at Wembley is a dream for most professional footballers, and a moment that all will savour for one reason or another.

For Andy Tillson, Bristol Rovers' captain the dream came true on a Sunday afternoon in May this year when Bristol Rovers took on Huddersfield Town in the Division Two Play-offs for promotion into Division One of the Endsleigh League.

The end result did not work out for the team as they were beaten 2-1, and to say the least Andy was disappointed as were the rest of the

lads at not achieving a victory.

"All the lads and especially me were disappointed at not winning the play-off at Wembley, as the whole team and staff of Bristol Rovers had put so much work and effort into getting there in the first place".

MIXED EMOTIONS

"For me it was the proudest moment of my career - to lead the team out onto the hallowed Wembley turf, in front of over 50,000 fans (and with more than 30,000 Rovers fans behind us) I was full of a variety of mixed emotions.

The build up to the game was one I shall

never forget, the camaraderie, team spirit and the confidence and backing of the supporters.

FAMILY SUPPORT

My wife and children also had a major part to play in keeping my feet on the ground prior to the game. The tension built up over the days following our win at Crewe Alexandra in the semi-final was at times excruciating; and I did become rather snappy - but that was to be expected.

In the end though, once the day came I became a little more relaxed, and able to concentrate on the job in hand". The whole few days that the Wembley final pro-



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vided, Andy recalls with a range of mixed emotions and fond memories - from the hotel where the team stayed prior to the game to relax, to get themselves in the right frame of mind for the big occasion, through to the feeling of flatness following defeat.

But no matter what the outcome was for Andy as he states, "... it was the proudest moment of my career".



Andy
Tillson

League Career	83 (+1)
Goals	2

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ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 1995/96

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Swindon Town.	6	1	2	0	5	2	3	0	0	4	0	14
Bradford City	6	2	0	1	4	5	2	1	0	4	1	13
Crewe Alex.	5	2	0	0	4	0	1	2	0	5	4	11
BRISTOL ROVERS	6	1	1	1	4	4	2	1	0	4	2	11
Stockport Co	6	1	2	0	3	1	2	0	1	3	1	11
Blackpool	6	2	0	1	4	2	1	1	1	4	3	10
Bournemouth	6	2	1	0	6	2	1	0	2	2	4	10
Notts County	6	2	0	1	4	2	1	1	1	2	2	10
Oxford United	6	2	1	0	4	1	0	2	1	1	2	9
Swansea City	6	2	1	0	7	4	0	1	2	3	8	8
Wycombe W	6	0	2	1	3	4	2	0	1	6	3	8
Chesterfield	6	2	1	0	5	1	0	1	2	3	5	8
Walsall	6	1	1	1	5	4	1	1	1	3	2	8
Brighton & H.A.	6	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	3	4	8
Burnley	6	2	1	0	4	2	0	1	2	0	3	8
Brentford	6	2	0	1	2	2	0	1	2	2	4	7
Rotherham Utd.	6	1	2	0	4	3	0	1	2	3	5	6
Wrexham	6	0	2	1	3	4	1	1	1	3	4	6
Hull City	6	1	1	1	2	2	0	2	1	1	2	6
Carlisle United	6	1	0	2	3	3	0	2	1	3	6	5
Peterborough U.	6	1	1	1	4	3	0	1	2	2	6	5
Bristol City	5	1	1	1	2	2	0	1	1	2	5	5
Shrewsbury T.	6	1	0	2	4	5	0	0	3	2	9	3
York City	6	0	1	2	4	6	0	0	3	1	7	1

Up to and including games played 9th September 1995

APPEARANCE RECORD 1995/96

	Lge Apps	Goals	Cup Apps	Goals	Lge Car.	Goals
Archer	1	0	-	0	74+13	12
Browning	5	0	2	0	88+20	7
Channing	0+1	0	-	0	86+9	10
Clark	6	1	2	0	176+11	11
Collett	-	0	-	0	4	0
Davis	-	0	-	0	2+11	1
French	-	0	-	0	-	-
Gurney	6	0	2	0	44+4	1
Hayfield	0+1	0	-	0	0+1	0
Higgs	-	0	-	0	-	-
Maddison	-	0	-	0	68+5	0
McLean	-	0	-	0	17+11	2
Miller	6	1	2	1	47+1	17
Parkin	6	0	2	0	227	0
Paul	-	0	-	0	2+8	0
Pritchard	6	0	2	0	62	0
Skinner	6	0	2	0	124+3	9
Sterling	6	0	2	0	95	7
Stewart	6	2	2	4	99+34	38
Taylor G	5	4	2	0	29+16	16
Tilson	2	0	2	0	83+1	2
Tovey	-	0	-	0	0+1	0
White	-	0	-	0	4	0
Wright	4	0	0+1	0	39+1	2
Wyatt	1	0	-	0	1	0

Date	Opponents	V	F-A	Att	Pos.
AUGUST					
12th	Carlisle United	A	2-1	8,003	-
15th	Gillingham (C.C.C. 1(1))	A	1-1	3,827	-
19th	SWANSEA CITY	H	2-2	6,689	3
23rd	GILLINGHAM (C.C.C. 1(2))	H	4-2	3,602	3
26th	Walsall	A	1-1	4,851	7
29th	BURNLEY	H	1-0	5,646	3
SEPTEMBER					
2nd	WREXHAM	H	1-2	6,031	6
9th	York City	A	0-1	4,047	4
12th	Rotherham United	A			
16th	SWINDON TOWN	H			
23rd	BRENTFORD	H			
30th	Oxford United	A			
OCTOBER					
7th	A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	H			
14th	Bradford City	A			
21st	NOTTS COUNTY	H			
28th	Brighton & Hove Albion	A			
31st	Blackpool	A			
NOVEMBER					
4th	PETERBOROUGH UNITED	H			
18th	Wycombe Wanderers	A			
25th	STOCKPORT COUNTY	H			
DECEMBER					
9th	Brentford	A			
16th	OXFORD UNITED	H			
23rd	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H			
26th	Shrewsbury Town	A			
30th	Bristol City	A			
JANUARY					
1st	CHESTERFIELD	H			
6th	HULL CITY	H			
13th	Swansea City	A			
20th	CARLISLE UNITED	H			
27th	Burnley	A			
FEBRUARY					
3rd	WALSALL	H			
10th	Hull City	A			
17th	ROTHERHAM UNITED	H			
20th	Wrexham	A			
24th	Swindon Town	A			
27th	YORK CITY	H			
MARCH					
2nd	SHREWSBURY TOWN	H			
9th	Crewe Alexandra	A			
16th	BRISTOL CITY	H			
23rd	Chesterfield	A			
30th	A.F.C. Bournemouth	A			
APRIL					
2nd	BRADFORD CITY	H			
6th	BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	H			
9th	Notts County	A			
13th	BLACKPOOL	H			
20th	Peterborough United	A			
27th	Stockport County	A			
MAY					
4th	WYCOMBE WANDERERS	H			

ATS...STATS



Pritchard	Gurney	Browning	Clark 1	Tillson	Sterling	Miller	Stewart 1	Skinner	Taylor	Wright	Wyatt	Collett
Pritchard	Gurney	Browning	Clark	Tillson	Sterling	Miller	Stewart 1	Skinner	Taylor	Wright	Wyatt	Collett
Pritchard	Gurney	Browning	Clark	Tillson	Sterling	Miller	Stewart	Skinner	Taylor 2	Wright	Channing	McLean
Pritchard	Gurney	Browning	Clark	Tillson*	Sterling	Miller 1	Stewart 3	Skinner	Taylor	Wright*	Channing	Collett
Pritchard	Gurney	Browning	Clark	Wright	Sterling	Miller	Stewart	Skinner	Taylor 1	McLean	Wyatt	Collett
Pritchard	Gurney	Browning	Clark	Wright	Sterling	Miller	Stewart	Skinner	Taylor 1	Wyatt	Hayfield	Collett
Pritchard	Gurney	Wyatt	Clark	Wright	Sterling	Miller	Stewart 1	Skinner*	Taylor	McLean	Hayfield*	Collett
Pritchard	Gurney	Browning	Clark	Wright	Sterling	Miller	Stewart	Skinner	Archer*	McLean	Channing*	Collett

MATCH FACTS IN OPPOSITION

compiled by Mike Jay

Tuesday 29th August 1995 Endsleigh League - Division Two
Rovers 1 Burnley 0

Burnley: Beresford, Parkinson, Vinnicombe, Swan, Winstanley, Joyce, Hoyland, Randall, Philliskirk, Nogan, Eyres.

Subs: Francis for Joyce (67 mins), Cooke for Philliskirk (81 mins) & Russell (not used).

Rovers Subs: Wyatt, Hayfield & Collett (not used).

Goalscorer: Taylor (49 mins)

Match Facts: Rovers maintain their unbeaten home record in impressive style over Burnley which now extends to nine League matches, while inflicting the visitors' first defeat of the season. Matt Hayfield named as substitute for the first time.

Saturday 2nd September 1995 Endsleigh League - Division Two
Rovers 1 Wrexham 2

Wrexham: Marriott, Phillips, Hardy, Brammer, McGregor, Jones, Durkan, Owen, Connolly, Morris, Russell.

Subs: Watkin for Morris (80 mins), C. Skinner & Ridler (not used).

Rovers Subs: Hayfield for Skinner (45 mins), McLean & Collett (not used).

Goalscorers: Stewart (9 mins), Owen (87 mins) & Watkin (90 mins)

Match Facts: Rovers concede their first defeat of the season, while Wrexham record their first victory. It is the Welsh club's first away win at Rovers since December 1980. Promising League debuts for Mike Wyatt and Matt Hayfield in an otherwise disjointed performance by Rovers.

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E.K. Wolstenholme
(Blackburn)

Eddie is now in his fourth season in the League middle, having progressed through the Preston Sunday League to the League List via the West Lancashire and North West Counties Leagues. Married with two children, Eddie is a Structural Engineer whose hobbies are swimming, athletics and gardening.

linesmen

Red/Yellow Flag
D.J. Hine
(Worcester)
Yellow Flag

TODAY'S MASCOT



This afternoon's mascot is 11-year-old PAUL HICKS from Hanham. Paul attends the John Cabot, City Technical College.

His favourite subjects are Maths, Science and English and his hobbies are playing the tenor horn and all sports. Paul actually plays his tenor horn in the Bristol East Band, so he obviously is very good! His favourite players are David Pritchard and Worrell Sterling.

BRISTOL ROVERS

1	Brian PARKIN	
2	David PRITCHARD	40/1
3	Andy GURNEY	33/1
4	Marcus BROWNING	16/1
5	Billy CLARK	20/1
6	Ian WRIGHT	33/1
7	Worrell STERLING	20/1
8	Paul MILLER	9/1
9	Marcus STEWART	5/1
10	Justin SKINNER	14/1
11	Gareth TAYLOR	11/2

SUBSTITUTES

12	Justin CHANNING	16/1
13	Andy COLLETT	
14	Lee ARCHER	12/1

SWINDON TOWN

1	Frank TALIA	
2	Ian CULVERHOUSE	40/1
3	Paul BODIN	20/1
4	Steve McMAHON	25/1
5	Mark SEAGRAVES	33/1
6	Shaun TAYLOR	16/1
7	Mark ROBINSON	22/1
8	Wayne O'SULLIVAN	20/1
9	Steve FINNEY	5/1
10	Wayne ALLISON	13/2
11	Kevin HORLOCK	16/1

SUBSTITUTES

12	Ty GOODEN	16/1
13	Fraser DIGBY	
14	Eddie MURRAY	20/1



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NO SCORE 8/1

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Today's Line-Up

Endsleigh League Division Two
Saturday 16th September 1995