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# From the top

*With Manager  
Steve McMahon*

*You would not believe  
how disappointed I was  
when we came away  
from the Racecourse  
Ground last Saturday  
after the 4-3 defeat  
at the hands of  
Wrexham.*



Time and time again I have said to the players that you cannot be complacent in this game and I hope that those words are still echoing around their ears today.

We have played so well this season. Up until last weekend we had only conceded just four goals and then we go and let in as many again in one game.

Wayne Allison gave us the ideal start with an early two goal lead. Unfortunately Wrexham came back with two goals themselves, one just before half-time and one straight after.

To be fair this could have killed us there and then but Peter Thorne, back from injury regained our lead and I thought that we should then sit back and not let Wrexham make up the deficit again. However we did just the opposite-we sat back alright but they took away everything, our lead and the points.

On Wednesday we left behind the pressures of the League as we resumed our Coca-Cola Cup tie with Blackburn Rovers at Ewood Park.

We went to Lancashire 3-2 down knowing that we had to score at least twice without reply to have any chance of going into the third round draw.

In my mind there is only one reason why Blackburn progressed at our expense and that reason is Alan Shearer.

He is without doubt the best striker in England. In a team that has been struggling in the Premiership and in Europe, he is still scoring goals and that is the sign of a quality striker.

After the Wrexham defeat I am pleased that our lads were not overawed by the occasion and if Wayne Allison's early effort had gone in it would have been a totally different game. Today we return to the Endsleigh League as we welcome Bristol City to The County Ground. Like ourselves they have lost interest in the Coca-Cola Cup and will now concentrate their efforts on regaining ground in the League but I am intent on making sure that it is not at our expense.

Many congratulations to young Wayne O'Sullivan on his call up to the Eire U21 squad. He travels straight after this afternoon's game to fly to Dublin where he will meet with the rest of the party for their game with Latvia in Galway.

Finally as you will have read both Joey Beauchamp and Adrian Viveash have left the club. Joey has returned to Oxford United, the club he was with just sixteen months ago. I think in his heart of hearts he always regretted the day he left when he joined West Ham United. Adrian Viveash was on a weekly contract which has now been terminated. We wish them both well in the future.

Enjoy the game.





# It's.. TRIVIA TIME

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Jimmy Greaves was the First Divisions leading scorer six times from 1959 to 1969

Wolves went from First to Fourth between 1984 and 1987

During the 1970/71 season Frank, David and Bob Worthington were ever present with their respective clubs

## Did you know ?!

Gabriel Batistuta scored in the first eleven Serie A matches last year for Fiorentina

Between 1966 and 1978 every opening match of the World Cup Finals ended 0-0



## WHO AM I ?

1. Born August 30th 1951.
2. Started league career with Wolves.
3. Also played for Forest, Newcastle, Birmingham and Villa amongst others.
4. Scored the winning goal in the 1982 European Cup Final.
5. Former England International.

## ?? QUIZ ??

1. Which club resigned from the Football League in 1992/93?
2. How much did Coventry City pay Manchester United for Dion Dublin?
3. Why has Wendy Toms made footballing history?
4. Which former English striker played for Swiss side Servette in the 1970's?
5. How many League titles did Liverpool win under manager Bob Paisley?
6. For which Italian side did Paul Rideout play?
7. Which former Scotland player was sent off on his Scottish Premier League debut in 1986?
8. Which club plays at Field Mill?
9. Where did Ron Atkinson begin his League managerial career?
10. How much did Middlesbrough pay Swindon Town for Jan Aage Fjortoft?

## Who's Crest ?

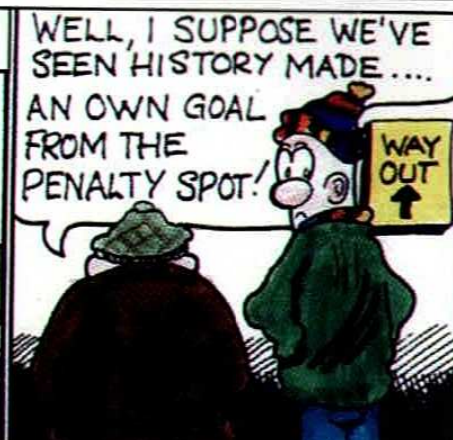


Answers

QUIZ: 1. Middlesbrough 2. £2 million 3. She was the first woman to officiate an English League match 4. Martin Chivers 5. Six 6. Bari 7. Graeme Souness 8. Middlesbrough 9. Cambridge 10. £1.5 million WHO AM I: Peter Wiltch. WHO'S CREST? Alder.

## 'Norm & Ec'

by Norman Hood



WELL, I SUPPOSE WE'VE SEEN HISTORY MADE .... AN OWN GOAL FROM THE PENALTY SPOT!



# This is Swindon

With Club Secretary  
Jon Pollard

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*From the excitement of the Coca-Cola Cup at Blackburn in midweek, we return to Endsleigh action this afternoon as we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Bristol City Football Club to The County Ground for today's local derby fixture.*

## Wendy's First

We also extend a special welcome today to Mrs Wendy Toms who is the first female to officiate in a Football League fixture here at The County Ground. Mrs Toms from Dorset has worked her way up through the lower Leagues and is now in her second season running the line on the Football League.

## Reserves

This coming Monday evening the Reserves are at home in the Avon Insurance Combination when they meet Wimbledon at Witney Town Football Club kicking off at 7.00pm. This is the first of two consecutive home fixtures with Tottenham Hotspur at Witney the following Monday, 16 October also kicking off at 7.00pm.

The Reserves will be returning here to play their fixtures at The County Ground from the beginning of November now that the new pitch has had time to settle. Kick offs will however be at 2.00pm

## Youths Cups

Recent results have seen the Youth Team progress through in three Cup competitions.

Oxford United provide the opposition in the second round of the South East Counties League Cup. The game is being played at Oxford Brookes University on Saturday 21 October kicking off at 11.00am.

Two days later on Monday 23 October, Leicester City are here at The County Ground in the third round of the Midland Youth Cup kicking off at 7.00pm.

Finally following their 1-0 victory over Cardiff City at Ninian Park last week, the Youth Team now face Watford at Vicarage Road in the 2nd round of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup on Tuesday 31 October, where the kick off is at 7.30pm.

The lads have a bye through to the second round of the F.A. Youth Cup competition.

on Tuesday 31 October is all ticket. We have a very limited number of seats on sale for this game price £8.50 each. These are available on a first come, first served basis to Season Ticket holders only from today on production of Voucher P. Otherwise admission is £7.50 adults (£3.50 concessions) to the terraces. These tickets are now on general sale. No tickets whatsoever will be available on the day.

## Auto Windscreens Shield

On Tuesday 17 October we play the first of our Auto Windscreens Shield 1st Round Southern Group 8 fixtures when we meet Torquay United at Plainmoor kicking off at 7.45pm. Our home game in the group is on Wednesday 8 November when we entertain Colchester United kicking off at 7.45pm.

Colchester beat Torquay 5-2 at Layer Road last week in the first game of the group. Season Ticket holders do not have to pay for the game at The County Ground as Cup Voucher B can be presented at the turnstiles on the night for admission. Otherwise tickets will be on sale to non-Season Ticket holders from 25 October at the specially reduced price of £5 adults and £1 concessions.



## Bournemouth All Ticket

Our Endsleigh League fixture with AFC Bournemouth at Dean Court



## Endsleigh League

*Next Saturday we visit the South Coast where we meet Brighton & Hove Albion at The Goldstone*

*Ground in the Endsleigh League and it could well be the last time we play there as the ground has now been sold and should be redeveloped at the end of the season. Although not all ticket we*

*have seats available price £9 adults (£4.50 concessions). Admission to the terraces at The Goldstone is by cash payment on the day price £7 adults and £3.50 concessions.*

Our next home Endsleigh League game is on Saturday 21 October with the visit of Crewe Alexandra to The County Ground kicking off at 3.00pm. Tickets for this top of the table clash are now on sale from the Advance Ticket Office.







# Bristol City

## the visitors

By John Nolan

*A glance at the Second Division table is all you need to see that this has been a desperate season so far for Joe Jordan and his City team who come here looking for a first away win of the season.*

Held at home 1-1 by Blackpool on the opening day, a single goal victory over Stockport County, at Ashton Gate, last August is the only success to reflect upon in nine Second Division outings, for a Bristol side that has found goals in short supply.

David Seal, the Australian striker, has been the main ray of hope in this respect. It was his goal that dumped Stockport County on their backs and he has now taken his tally for this season to seven.

Indeed, it has been very much a tale of a Seal of approval for City fans who can thank the man brought in to take on the role Wayne Allison played last term, for point winning goals in the 1-1 draw with Blackpool and at Peterborough United (again 1-1) and Notts County, where his strike in the 84th minute made it 2-2!

The points at London Road and Meadow Lane are Bristol's only reward from their travels so far. Even when Seal gave them a third minute lead at Colchester in the first-leg of their First Round Coca-Cola Cup tie with the Essex Third

Division side they could not hold it and returned home with a 3-1 beating ringing in their ears. The recovery, to earn a Second Round tilt at Newcastle United, perhaps the one really invigorating chapter of the season thus far.

Alas, Kevin Keegan's boys showed no mercy, taking them apart 5-0 at Ashton Gate, and leaving City with only pride to play for in this week's return leg at St James Park. But Cup issues aside the most crucial aspects for manager Joe Jordan and his assistant John Gorman, our former boss, are to avert a second relegation battle in two years.

Bristol City came down from Division One with us last May, finishing second from bottom and three points behind Swindon Town. They then sold Wayne Allison - their leading scorer with 13 goals - to us for £475,000 and recruited Paul Agostino from Young Boys Berne for a fee that will rise to £100,000. Clive Allen, the former England striker, came and went and Phil Barber, a left sided midfielder, was signed from Millwall on a free transfer. Another free signing being Alan McLeary a

centre-half who also has seen service with the Lions.

Agostino and McCleary were in the starting line on the opening day City lining thus: Welch, Hansen, Munro, McCleary, Dryden, Kuhl, Bent, Partridge, Seal, Agostino and Barker.

The team that took on Wycombe Wanderers last Saturday and was held 0-0 at Ashton Gate showed seven changes to that original selection, a sure sign that things are not going well. The team was: Dykstra, Hansen, Edwards, Dryden, Bryant, Kuhl, Bent, Owers (Seal 79), Nugent, Patterson, Starback. Subs: not called upon Hewlett and Munro.

There might be a significant gap in our respective League placings this afternoon but Town fans will be only too aware that such statistics are normally irrelevant when it comes to derby games. None the less it was our double failure against them last season (we lost 3-0 here at home remember, Ouch!). That cost us dearly in the relegation battle so perhaps this is a good time to redress that situation.

### Bristol City Football Club 1995/96 season



#### Back Row:

Louis Carey, Rob Edwards, Matt Hewlett, Vegard Hansen, Keith Welch, Mark Shail, Phil Kite, Jason Fowler, Scott Patterson, Matt Bryant, Alan McLeary.

#### Middle Row:

Dave Bell (Youth Team Coach), Tony Fawthrop (Chief Scout), Jim Brennan, Dominic Barclay, Paul Agostino, Mark Humphries, Wayne Brown, Richard Dryden, Gary Owers, Brian Tinnion, Phil Barber, Mike Gibson (Goalkeeper Coach), Buster Footman (Physiotherapist), Gerry Sweeney (Coach).

#### Front Row:

Stuart Munro, Dean Higgins, Junior Bent, Scott Partridge, Joe Jordan (Manager), John Gorman (Assistant Manager), David Seal, Martin Kuhl, Rodney McAree, Ian Baird



# abc Bristol City



## Paul Agostino

- FORWARD. Signed from Swiss giants Young Boys Berne in the summer of 1995 for £50,000, Paul made his debut in English football on the opening day of this season in the 1-1 draw with Blackpool and recorded his first goal in a 1-4 defeat at Shrewsbury Town. An Australian who moved to Switzerland in order to develop his game he has found the Endsleigh League Division Two a tough stage to come to terms with.



Paul Agostino

## Phil Barber

- MIDFIELD. Left-footed player who used to play on the wing for Crystal Palace and deliver superb crosses. Came into football with Aylesbury and in February 1984, made his League debut for Palace vs Grimsby Town. Netted 35 goals in 234 League outings before a £100,000 move to Millwall in the summer of 1991. Scored twice in a 4-1 win over Sunderland on his home debut for the Lions but never totally established himself at the Den and joined Bristol on a free in the summer of 1995. Born: Tring 10-6-65.

## Junior Bent

- FORWARD. Quicksilver winger who can, on his day, be a real match winner. First played the League stage in the colours of

home town club Huddersfield Town, his debut in October 1987 being against Middlesbrough. Arrived at Ashton Gate in March 1990 in a £30,000 deal. Stands only five-five. Scored 6 goals in 41 League outings in 94-95. Born: Huddersfield 1-3-70.

## Matt Bryant

- CENTRAL DEFENDER. City's Player of the Year in 1994-95. Matt is a local lad who has been with the club since his school days. Played three League games for Walsall, while on loan to gain experience, but a succession of injuries in 1993-94 restricted his progress. A resilient reliable stopper he came into his own last season with 3 goals in 37 First Division games. Born: Bristol 21-9-70.

## Richard Dryden

- DEFENDER. Signed from Birmingham City for £175,000 in December 1994. Richard had come into League football with Bristol Rovers as a left-back, making his debut for them at Brentford in December 1986, but he had played only 13 games when Exeter City signed him. Produced 13 goals in 92 League games for the Grecians, claiming a 4th Division Championship medal and had a non-playing loan spell with Manchester City before signing for Notts County in a £250,000 deal in 1991. It was while with the Blues that he was moved from left-back to central defence with great success. Born: Stroud 14-6-69.

## Sieb Dykstra

- GOALKEEPER. Currently on loan from Queens Park Rangers whom he joined from Motherwell in the summer of 1994. The Londoners paid £250,000 for his transfer but he was several weeks on the bench before making his Rangers debut at Norwich in October 1994. A giant of six-foot-five inches he really made his reputation during the

1993-94 season when he was in sensational form for Motherwell helping them finish third in the Scottish Premiership. Spectacular and exceptionally agile his bent for showmanship sometimes detracts from his reliability and last season he lost out to Tony Roberts as Ray Wilkins' first choice, making 11 Premiership appearances. Born: Kerkrade, Holland 20-10-66.

## Rob Edwards

- MIDFIELD. Arrived at Ashton Gate from Carlisle United in March 1991 for £135,000. A versatile performer. Rob had featured at centre-half and fullback before making his mark in midfield where he made 30 appearances last season. Capped by Wales at Youth, Under-21 and "B" levels and has been named in the Under-21 squad to face Germany in the European Championships next week. Born: Kendal, Cumbria. 01-7-73.

## Vegard Hansen

- FULLBACK. Right sided defender now in his second season in English football following his arrival from Norwegian club Stromsgodsel IF. Made 29 First Division appearances last season. Born: Drammen, Norway 8-8-69.

## Martin Kuhl

- MIDFIELD. Now with his sixth club, this most experienced competitor served his apprenticeship with Birmingham City gaining his first opportunity at West Bromwich Albion in March 1983. Midway through the 1986-87 season he joined Sheffield United where he was handed the captain's armband. His stay was short lived however for he was traded to Watford in February '88 and the following September signed for Portsmouth for £125,000. Voted Player of the Year in 1991 and scored 23 goals in the next two seasons before continuing his career with Derby County. In December 1994 Bristol invested £330,000 in his services. Born: Frimley 10-1-65.



# abc Bristol City



## Stuart Munro

- DEFENDER. A free transfer signing from Blackburn Rovers in 1993. Stuart had arrived at Ewood Park in June 1991 in a £350,000 deal after a highly successful career with Rangers during which he picked up Scottish League Championship medals. Injuries and the form of Alan Wright limited Stuart to just one senior game for Rovers in 1991-92 and he was subsequently released. Has played across the back line for Bristol City. Born: Falkirk 15-9-62.

## Gary Owers

- MIDFIELD. Joined Sunderland as an apprentice and served the Roker Park club until December 1994 when he was transferred to Bristol City. Gary made his League bow at Brentford in August 1987 and operated in all midfield positions as well as both fullback roles for the Rokerites. Was rightback in their 1992 FA Cup Final team beaten 2-0 by Liverpool. Made 21 League appearances (2 goals) last season for City. Born: Newcastle 3-10-68.

## Scott Partridge

- STRIKER. A former trainee with Bradford City who released him after five League games in 1992-93. Had a trial at Ashton Gate and was given a contract, breaking into the team in April 1994 and netting four goals in six games. Scored twice last season in 14 (19) appearances. Born: Leicester 13-10-74.

## Mark Shail

- DEFENDER. Snatched from non-League football in March 1993. Mark has proved his worth in the City defence since his £45,000 move from Yeovil Town. It took him just six months to impress his

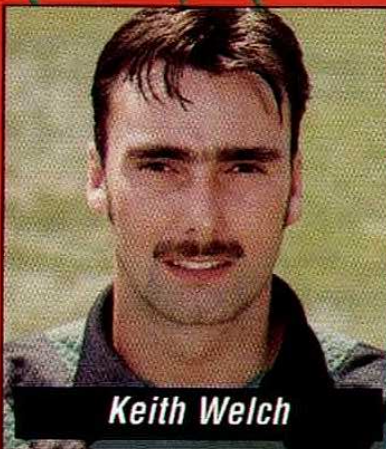
leadership qualities on the management who installed him as Captain. Had gained representative honours with the England semi-professional side before his arrival at Ashton Gate. Born: Sandviken, Sweden 15-10-66.

## Brian Tinnion

- MIDFIELD. Signed from Bradford City in March 1993, for £180,000. Had served his apprenticeship at St James Park making the first of his 32 League appearances for Newcastle United at Everton, in April 1982. Unable to command a regular place he joined Bradford City and scored 22 goals in 145 League outings for them. Born: Stanley, Durham 23-2-68.

## Keith Welch

- GOALKEEPER. Has been with Bristol City since summer of 1991 when the club paid Rochdale £200,000 for his signature. Stands six-foot-two and was an ever-present in the 1993-94 campaign, adding another 44 First Division games in 94-95. Started his career in 1986 with home town club Bolton Wanderers but was blooded in League football by Rochdale against Leyton Orient in February 1987. Became a fixture in the Scotland eleven making 205 League appearance. Born: Bolton



Keith Welch

## Bristol City Football Club

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## Bristol City 1995/96 Results to date

|                     |   |      |
|---------------------|---|------|
| BLACKPOOL           | H | 1-1  |
| Colchester United*  | A | 1-2  |
| COLCHESTER UNITED*  | H | 2-1# |
| STOCKPORT COUNTY    | H | 1-0  |
| Shrewsbury Town     | A | 1-4  |
| Peterborough United | A | 1-1  |
| BRIGHTON & H.A.     | H | 0-1  |
| BRENTFORD           | H | 0-0  |
| Bradford City       | A | 0-3  |
| NEWCASTLE UNITED*   | H | 0-5  |
| Notts County        | A | 2-2  |
| Oxford United*      | A | 0-3  |
| WYCOMBE WNDRS.      | H | 0-0  |
| Newcastle United*   | A | 1-3  |

\* Coca-Cola Cup

# Won 5-3 on penalties a.e.t.

• Auto Windscreens Shield



# the man in charge



**Manager - Joe Jordan**

*Big Joe Jordan was appointed manager, for the second time at Ashton Gate, on the 15th November 1994. He took over from the axed Russell Osman following a dismal run.*

Jordan will be best remembered as a swashbuckling centre-forward whose toothless grimace was

enough to frighten the hardest defenders.

Started his playing career with Morton, scoring one goal in 10 Scottish League appearances before being snapped up by Leeds United in 1971. Led the line with vigour and registered 47 goals in 219 senior appearances including 5 goals in 21 games in Europe - before heading for Old Trafford in 1977.

Joe claimed 37 goals in 109 First Division games for Manchester United before transferring to AC Milan in June 1981. Twelve goals in 52 Italian League games was a fair return in those ultra-defensive days in Italian football and a short stop off with Verona (1 goal in 12 appearances) on his way back to the UK added to his experience.

Joined up with Southampton where he scored another 12 goals in 48 League games before switching to

Bristol City in February 1987. Exactly a year later he was elevated to player-manager in succession to another former Leeds favourite, Terry Cooper, and he took City to the Play-Off Final only to be beaten by Walsall in a replay.

The following season Joe guided City to the semi-final of the Littlewoods Cup - they lost to Nottingham Forest in extra-time - and then in 1990 he led them to promotion from Division Three. In September 1990 he left Ashton Gate to take over Hearts and took the Scottish Premier League side into Europe.

The holder of 52 Scottish caps, Joe scored a controversial goal to knock out Wales and put Scotland through to the 1978 World Cup Finals, it was claimed he punched the ball into the net!

Born: Carlisle 15-12-51.

## Under the Spotlight

*They call Aussie striker David Seal the "Wizard of Oz" down Ashton Gate way, such has been the impact of this lively attacker, who has already chalked up seven goals this season.*

A natural predator he smashed six goals in his first two Reserve team appearances in a 3-2 win over Spurs and wait for it, an 8-1 demolition of our Youngsters. Indeed, he has cause to be grateful to Swindon, for after bagging four goals against us, Russell Osman quickly finalised his transfer from Belgian club Aalst for £80,000.

That was in October 1994, but five full appearances in City's first team failed to produce a goal and David was back in the Reserves where he thumped home 25 strikes!



**David Seal - Striker**

The departure in the close season of Wayne Allison to Swindon opened the door again and this time David has struck "Gold" with strikes against Blackpool (20 minutes into the season),

Colchester (3 in the Coca-Cola Cup), Stockport, Portsmouth and Notts County.

Down-under he played for three of the top clubs, Sydney Olympic, Sydney Croatia and Marconi. He was in the Australian Olympic team and also gained caps at Youth level.

He came to Europe to develop his talents and scored goals in 31 appearances for Belgian club Eendracht Aalst. Not surprisingly he attracted much attention and came over to London for a trial period with West Ham United. He would probably have signed for the Hammers but manager Billy Bonds quit Upton Park the day he was due to make a decision.  
Born: Sydney 26-1-72





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# ENDSLEIGH LEAGUE Preview

***What a turn up last Saturday. We lost our unbeaten record at Wrexham, where the Welsh Club were without a win this season, and only one of the top five won - Bradford City 2-1 against Blackpool.***

It all means that despite our unfortunate loss we still enter this afternoon's game with a four point lead though the lads are quick to point out we could have been seven points ahead had we found our true form at the Racecourse Ground. What it does mean is that there is more pressure on us to get a result over Bristol City.

If logic was the key to forecasting you would put Blackpool down for a win at Brentford today. Dave Webb's team lost at home to Chesterfield last week - their second home defeat of the season. Indeed the Londoners don't do anything by half, they either win or lose but this just could be their first home draw of the season.

Third placed Bradford City are at Swansea City who have had a torrid time since their early season success on top of the Division. A 3-0 defeat at Burnley last week was their fourth defeat of the season. However, they have lost but once on home soil and this encounter could be another draw.

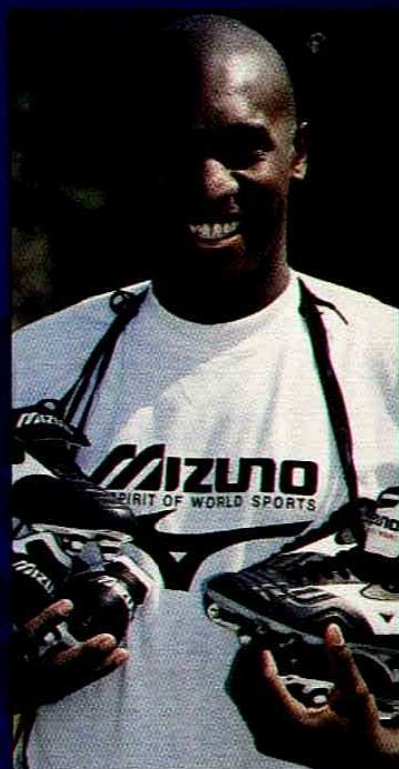
Crewe Alexandra are the team everyone has been saying we should watch. Dario Gradi's team salvaged a home point against Notts County when Macauley scored with two minutes to go to make it 2-2 and today they visit Chesterfield who are the highest scoring team at home with 12 goals for and only three against in four wins and a draw. There is only one team Swindon Town - who have scored more than Crewe away from home, we have 10 goals in two wins, two draws and a defeat. The stats then suggests a goal feast at Saltergate so it will probably end 0-0!

Stockport County jumped into fifth spot last week after a 3-1 win over AFC Bournemouth but they will not find goals as easy to come by at Oxford United. The U's were stunned last Saturday with a shock defeat by Bristol Rovers, the first serious blemish on their home record, so don't expect them to fall again here.

The 'Rovers' are at home today and can expect a tough afternoon against the 'Cherries', but they are looking for their sixth win and confidence is high. AFC Bournemouth have the top shot of Division Two in Steve Jones (7 goals), but they don't travel well and I fancy Rovers to win this one.

Notts County will expect to get a result at Carlisle who have lost the winning feeling they enjoyed for most of last season. County are a competent side but won't score many goals despite having heavyweight attackers in the shape of Tony Agana and seven goal Devon White. Bet on Notts to get a result.

It is funny how one performance can change everything isn't it. York City were truly in the dumps until they took everyone by storm when they outplayed Manchester United at Old Trafford in the Coca-Cola Cup. Since then they have not put a boot wrong as last week's 3-0 win at Hull City confirmed. It will be interesting to see if they suffer a reaction to this week's return leg with United when they entertain Wrexham today. Hull are home again in the bottom of the table clash with Shrewsbury Town.



**WAYNE ALLISON** - Scored twice at Wrexham and will be eager to repeat that against his former Bristol colleagues today.

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*Swindon Town vs Bristol City*

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*York City vs Wrexham*



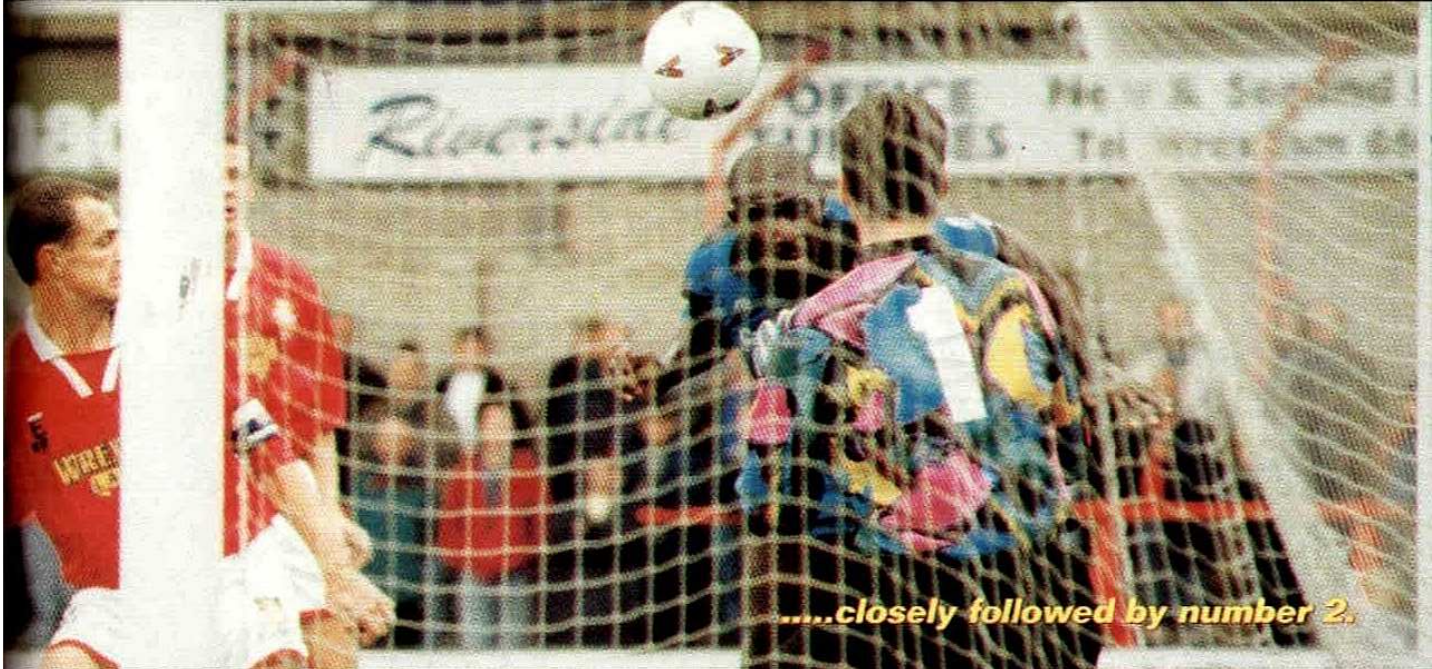
# Robins in Action

Wrexham vs Swindon Town

WAYNE ALLISON heads home his first goal at Wrexham.....





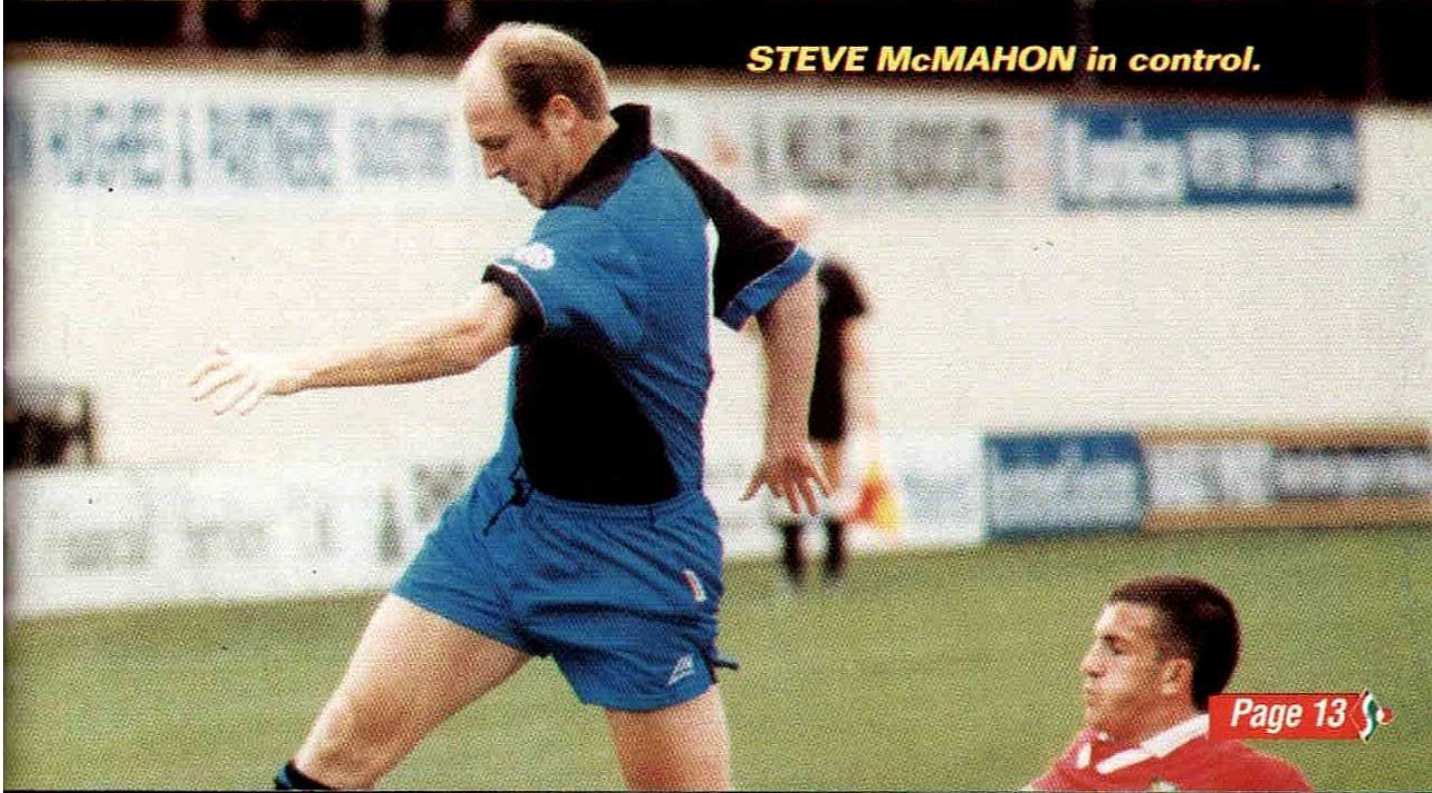


.....closely followed by number 2.

**PETER THORNE** marks his return with a goal.



**STEVE McMAHON** in control.





# Training Ground

With Andy Rowland

***It was certainly disappointing to lose our unbeaten League run at Wrexham last Saturday.***

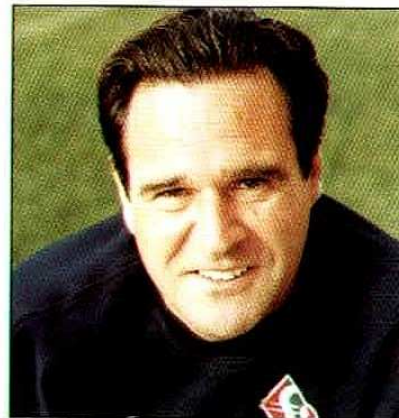
After having scored three goals away from home, you would expect to get something out of the game - but it just wasn't to be.

Sometimes the games are against you maybe last Saturday's was one of those days.

We must put that behind us and try to go another nine games undefeated - starting with today's local derby with Bristol City. If we all put our minds to it we know it is possible and the players themselves now realise that complacency will be the one thing that will stop us having a successful season.

They say that 'football is a funny old game' and what about the events over the last week involving Frank Talia?

On Saturday he was keeping goal for us at Wrexham and just a few days later there he was lining up against us when he was on the bench in Wednesday's Coca-Cola Cup tie at Blackburn Rovers.



We don't seem to get much luck with our loan keepers. Initially Shay Given had to go back to Blackburn after Tim Flowers got himself sent off and now Frank has gone back as Shay has broken his arm!

Moving on to today's game, keep up the great vocal support. It is going to be a tough game so every encouragement helps.

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# TreatmentRoom

*With Club Physio Jonathan Trigg*

*We did not pick up many injuries after last weekend's game at Wrexham apart that is from Peter Thorne who badly injured his ankle and will most certainly miss this afternoon's clash with Bristol City. He was attempting to cross the ball when a Wrexham defender challenged him causing his right ankle to twist.*

An X-Ray at Princess Margaret Hospital on Monday morning fortunately revealed no bone damage although the ankle is very swollen.

Peter has damaged the ligaments on the lateral aspect (outside) of the joint which is a very common injury in football.

Now after a week he is able to walk unassisted and pain-free and although it is still very early on in the injury we cannot envisage Peter playing in a competitive game certainly for the next fortnight. However everybody at

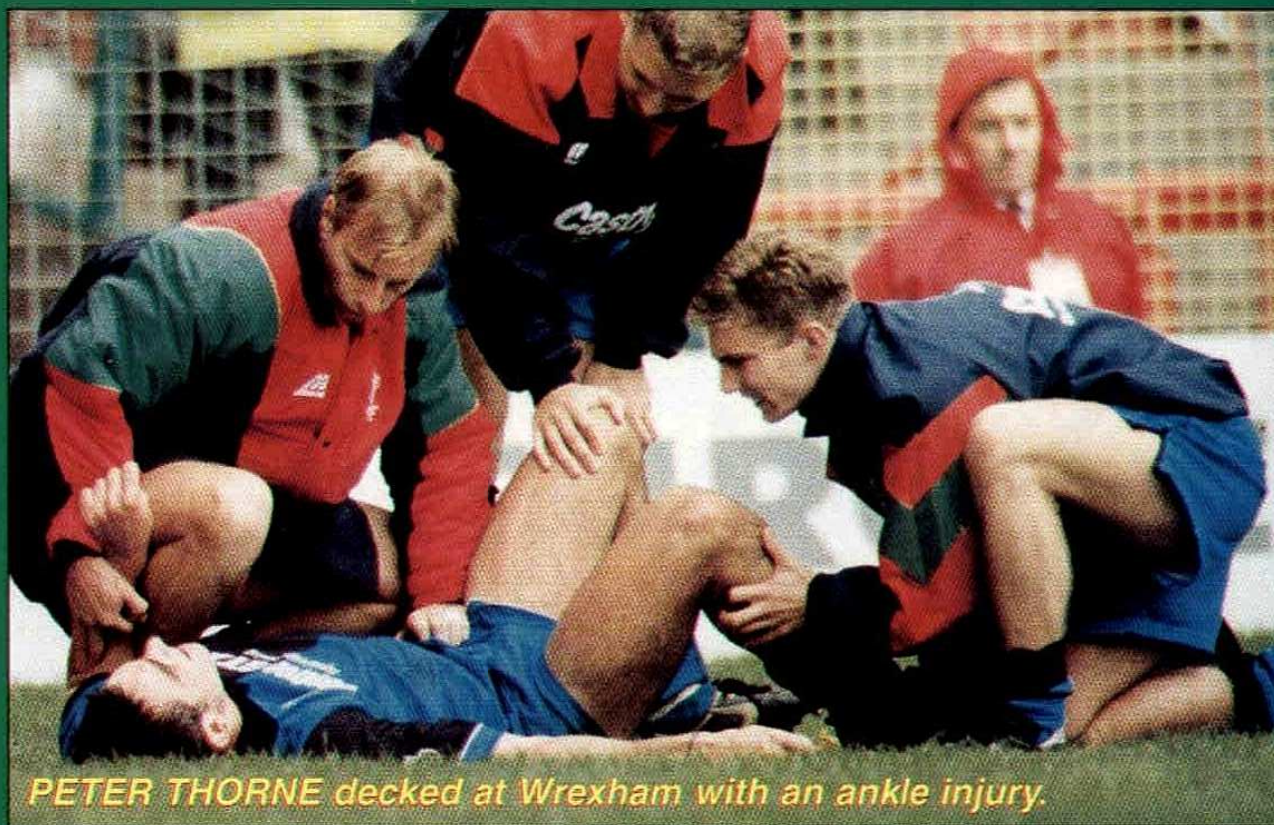
the club is hoping that he proves us wrong.

As the ligaments heal, we will be working on the calf muscles to stabilise and strengthen the joint.

Once Peter can jog, it will be a matter of introducing twisting and turning sessions incorporating the ball.

Before he can return to training he must convince me that he can sprint, twist, tackle, jump and strike balls pain free.

Let's hope that this is sooner rather than later.



**PETER THORNE** decked at Wrexham with an ankle injury.



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# In the Community

With Shane Cook

*Next Wednesday evening, the Swindon Town Community Office in conjunction with Fosters Trading Company are presenting LIVE AND WILD, a fashion extravaganza at Cairos Night Club in West Swindon. We will be having eight payers there on the night, Wayne O'Sullivan, Ty Gooden, Steve Finney, Peter Thorne, Jamie Pitman, Edwin Murray, Ben Worrall and Jamie Laidlaw who will be modelling Fosters Autumn Collection.*

All the proceeds from the night are going to C.L.I.C. - The Campaign for Leukaemia in Children so your support is extremely valuable knowing that it will help those in need.

Tickets for the event are now on sale from the Advance Ticket Office and Superstore at The County Ground. Fosters Trading Company in Canal Walk, Swindon and Cairos Night Club in West Swindon price £2.50 in advance or £3.00 on the door.

Are you a member of a school group, football team or youth club aged from 9-16?

Then you may be interested in our Saturday Club here at The County Ground where for just £8.50 per child you can spend the day with us having coaching in the morning and watch the game in the

afternoon with a snack and match programme provided. Accompanying adults are also welcome to watch the game and have lunch at a cost of £13.00. For further details please call me on Swindon (01793) 421303.

The booking forms are now available for our next Half-Term Funweek. Three half days coaching at either Fairford (mornings) or Greendown (afternoons) is available from Monday 23 - Wednesday 25 October with the option of also booking for our trip to Manchester the following day when we will be visiting Manchester United's Old Trafford Stadium in the morning and the Granada Studio tour in the afternoon.

Again full details are available from the Community Office.



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# Royal Mail Seeks Public Vote on 'Football Legends' Stamp Issue

*For the first time in the history of Royal Mail the British public are to help choose who will appear on a Special Stamp issue. The stamps will celebrate the biggest sporting event in Britain for thirty years - the European Football Championships.*

*The set of five stamps, to be issued May of next year, will depict all-time-great British footballers.*

*A panel of distinguished football experts have selected a short list of ten legendary British players from a master list submitted by the Football Associations of England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The Public are invited to vote for one player from the following short list:*

## **Danny Blanchflower**

Northern Ireland captain, finishing with 56 caps. Also captained Tottenham Hotspur to League and Cup "double" in 1960-61.

## **"Dixie Dean"**

16 caps and 18 goals for England 1927-32. Beefy centre-forward, a legend on Merseyside. His 60 goals in Division 1 in 1927-28 is still the record.

## **Peter Doherty**

He was born in Magherafelt, Co. Londonderry on 5th June 1913. One of the most outstanding inside forwards in the history of football. Won an FA Cup Winners' medal with Derby County in 1946. He was capped 16 times for Northern Ireland, whom he managed from 1951 to 1962. He played for Glentoran, Blackpool, Manchester City, Derby County, Huddersfield Town and Doncaster Rovers.

## **Duncan Edwards**

18 caps 5 goals for England in the 1950's. Shortest-lived England player (perished after Munich crash at 21) and youngest this century. Manchester United legend.

## **Alex James**

8 caps for Scotland between the wars. Won the FA Cup twice with Arsenal in the 1930's and also starred for Preston. Skilful inside-forward with the famous baggy shorts.

## **Joe Mercer**

5 England caps just before the last war, then 27 war-time England games. Joined Arsenal from Everton in 1946 and captained them to FA Cup success four years later. "Genial Joe" was England's caretaker manager for 7 games in 1974.

## **Billy Meredith**

48 Welsh caps and 11 goals between 1895-1920. The star of British Football at the turn of the century.

A winger of great skill he played for both Manchester clubs, winning Championship and Cup honours. Championed players rights throughout his career.

## **Bobby Moore**

One of the greatest defenders of all time, won 108 England caps - a total bettered only by Peter Shilton. He was player of the Tournament when he captained the World Cup winners in 1966. Sixteen years at West Ham United. Cancer victim two years ago.

## **Frank Swift**

19 caps as England's goalkeeper just after the war, including two as captain. "Big Frank" lost his best years to the war. Huge hands, long reach, larger than life personality. Lost his life in Munich crash as a journalist.

## **Billy Wright**

One of the most respected English footballers of the century, passing away in 1994. Against Scotland in 1959 he became the first player, from any country to win 100 caps. The last 70 were consecutive (all as captain). Glittering 12-year career at Wolves.

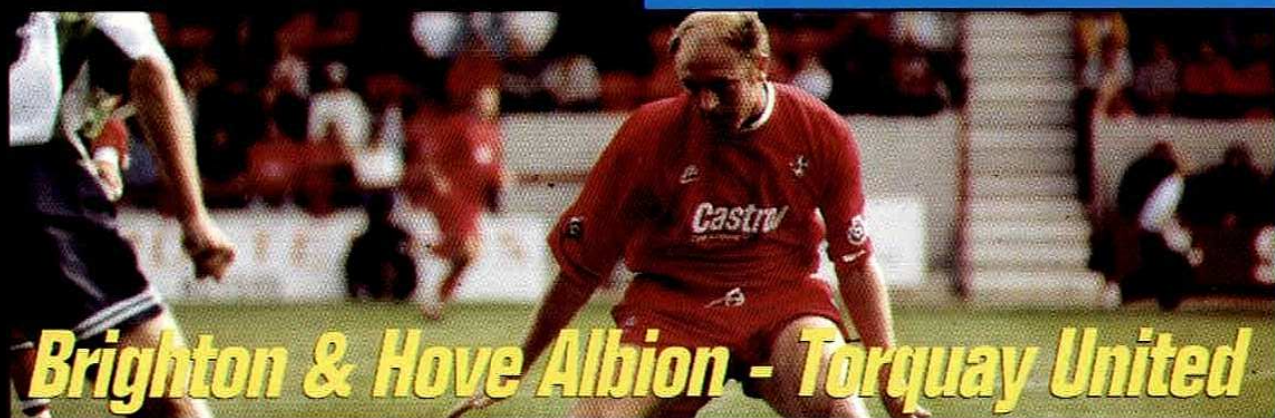
As no living people, other than members of the Royal Family can appear on British stamps, the choice has been limited to footballers who are deceased.

At the same time, the public are also being asked to choose the greatest British Footballer of all time (living or deceased) and the greatest British Club side. The results of these votes will appear inside Royal Mail's official First Day Cover, issued simultaneously with the 'Football Legends' stamps.

Votes, on a sealed envelope, or postcard, to include voter's name and address, should be mailed to 'Football Legends', PO Box 442, Liverpool, L65 3EF by **October 13th 1995**. All votes submitted will be entered into a prize draw and the winner will receive a pair of tickets for the European Football Championship Final at Wembley.



# Home & Away



## Brighton & Hove Albion - Torquay United

The last time we met Brighton & Hove Albion and Torquay United was coincidentally both in the Coca-Cola Cup competition. Back in the 1992/93 season we trounced Torquay at Plainmoor 6-0 in the Second Round on Wednesday 23 September going through 9-2 on aggregate after a 3-2 win here at The County Ground in the second leg two weeks later. Unfortunately we were to lose interest in the competition in the next round going down 1-0 against Oldham Athletic at Boundary Park.

### Route for Brighton & Hove Albion:

From Swindon take M4 Eastbound to join M25 at j4b anti-clockwise following signs for Gatwick Airport. Leave M25 at j7 joining M23. Take M23 southbound to link with A23. Turn right 2 miles after Pyecombe and follow the signs for Hove for 1 mile. Bear left into Nevill Road (A2023) then turn left at Crossroads (1 mile) into Old Shoreham Road for the Goldstone Ground.

### TRAVEL CLUB

Depart County Ground, Swindon 11.00

**FARE  
£8.00**

You only have to go back to last season when we last played Brighton & Hove Albion. This time it was in the Third Round when a goal from Andrew Thomson in front of 11,382 at The Goldstone Ground on 26 October saw the tie go to a replay. Here at The County Ground two goals a piece from Jan Aage Fjorloft and Keith Scott saw us go into the draw for the Fourth Round before our eventual departure from the competition in the semi-finals against Bolton Wanderers.

### Route for Torquay United:

From Swindon take the M4 Westbound leaving at j20 to join the M5 Southbound. At j31 go onto A38 towards Newton Abbot and then turn off onto A380. 1 mile through Kinkerswell turn left onto A3022 towards Torquay. On entering turn left at the 3rd set of lights into Hele Road. Continue straight over two mini-roundabouts and up West Hill Road to traffic lights. Then go straight ahead into Warbro Road. Plainmoor is situated 200 yards on the right.

### TRAVEL CLUB

Depart County Ground, Swindon 16.00

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Bookings taken at the Travel Club Office in the Castrol Stand before and after all home games and Tuesday to Thursday evenings from 19.00 - 21.00. Telephone Swindon (01793) 611499 - 24 hour service.

Bookings also taken in association with Barnes Coaches Monday to Friday 09.00 - 17.00.

Telephone Marlborough (01672) 540330 or at the Information Centre in Regent Street.

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# Wayne Allison

*Talks to Colin Benson*

**CB: Your first game against your old team-mates - exciting prospects for you?**

WA: Yeah. It will be interesting won't it. Yes I'm looking forward to it.

CB: What are your thoughts on Bristol City at the moment?

WA: I don't have any thoughts on Bristol City. It is all about us really isn't it. I can't really comment on their team.

CB: You had a great deal of personal success with Bristol City - top scorer for two or three seasons - so why did you leave?

WA: Well it was at the end of my contract and had been there five years so it was a case of wanting a little change really. So I just moved up the road.

The training here is different. I think it is different from club to club everywhere - each manager has his own ideas how he wants to play and of course as in any job a change in routine can be stimulating. I enjoy training.

CB: Defeat at Wrexham puts extra emphasis on this game today doesn't it?

WA: All games are important. There aren't any easy games as Wrexham

proved last week and we have to try and win as many games as we possibly can no matter who they are against.

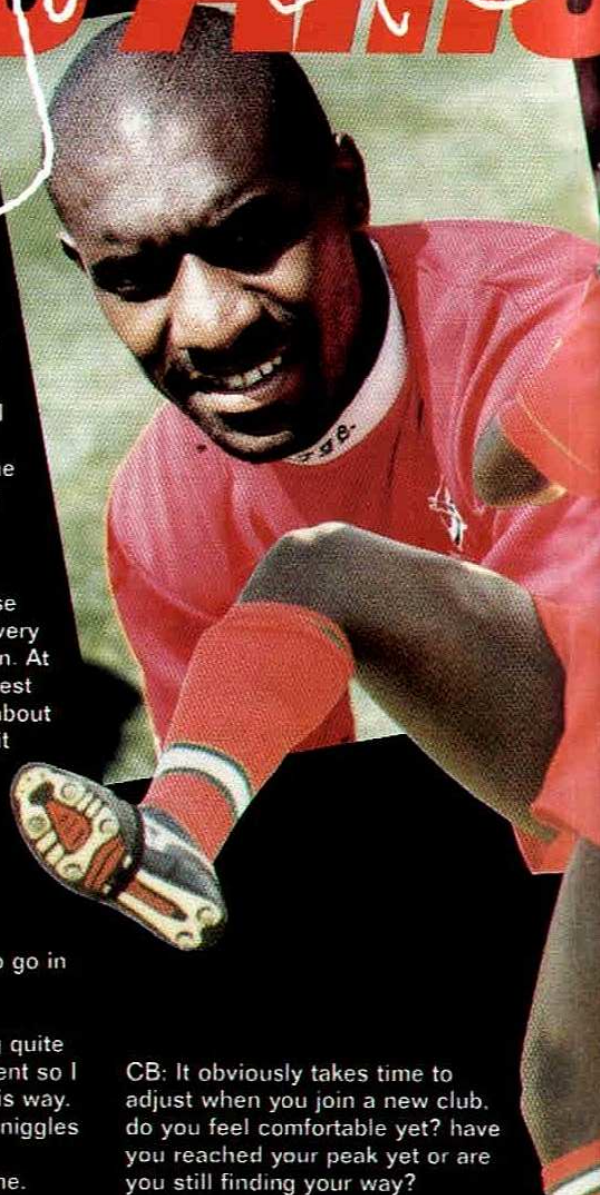
CB: It is assumed in football journalistic circles that players tend to lift their game when they come up against former clubs. Is this fact or myth do you think?

WA: You have to try and raise your standard for any and every game, you know what I mean. At this level nothing but your best will do every week. It is all about wanting to do well whether it is Bristol City or Shrewsbury Town, and if it is a derby game then it is a derby game. As long as the goals go in that is all that matters.

CB: Well they are starting to go in for you now Wayne.

WA: Yeah, yeah, I am having quite a good little run at the moment so I hope things can continue this way. I had one or two little injury niggles when I first came here but hopefully that is all behind me.

CB: It obviously takes time to adjust when you join a new club, do you feel comfortable yet? have you reached your peak yet or are you still finding your way?



## A closer look at Wayne Allison

*Wayne started his career with Halifax Town as a midfielder but soon established himself as a consistent scorer with 23 goals in 84 League appearances after making his debut in a 3-4 defeat by Wolves in Division Four on March 17, 1987.*

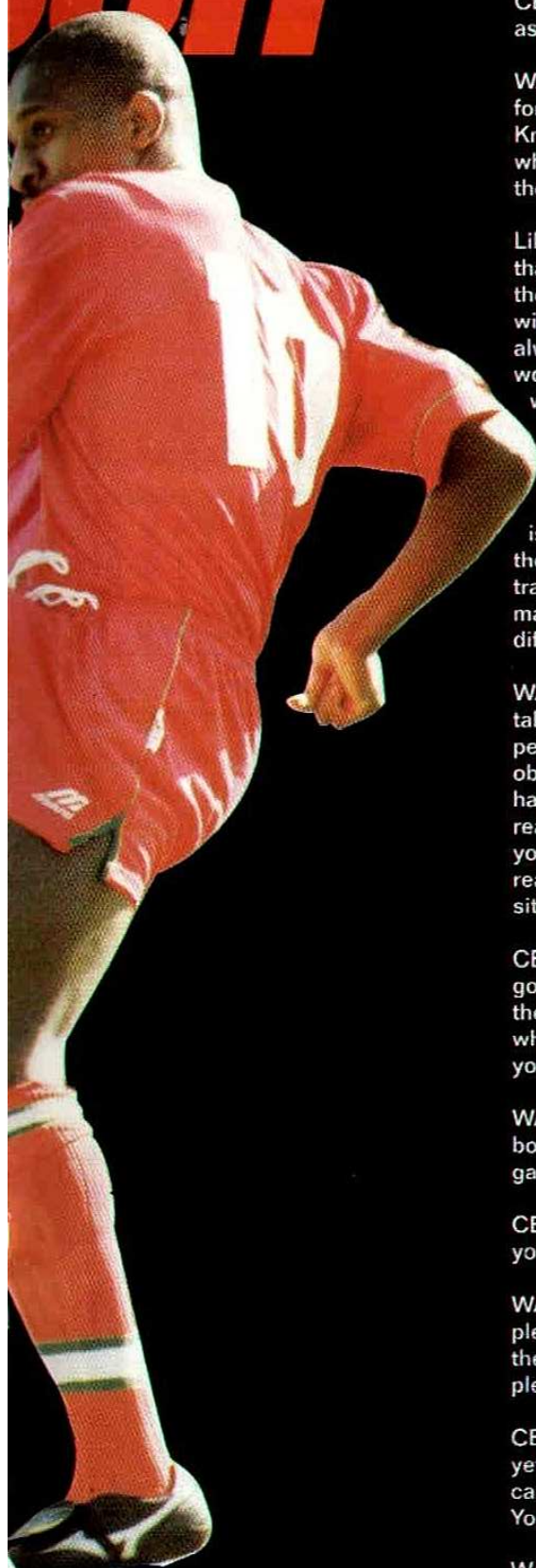
It looked a good career move when he signed for Watford but just six starts and one substitute appearances in the season of 1989-90 was scant reward for his efforts at Vicarage Road and he welcomed the move to Bristol City at the start of the 1990-91 season.

A strong able striker Wayne has topped the Ashton Gate score sheet for the past two seasons registering 13 goals in the First Division last season. Born: Huddersfield 16-10-68.





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WA: I'm still finding my feet, I won't say I have reached my peak yet. Your choice of words are amazing (he chuckles). No I'm still finding my feet, it will take a bit of time, but hopefully I will get there.

CB: What is the most difficult aspect of settling in?

WA: The most difficult thing is forging partnerships with people. Knowing and trying to anticipate when they are going to pass the ball.

Like this you make a run you hope that the man on the ball is reading the situation the same way are and will slot it in to you. You don't always get it but it is a matter of working to try and get on the same wavelength with the boys. This is the most difficult thing.

CB: A lot of folk who have not played the game would think this is something you can achieve on the training field, but of course training can not recreate exactly a match environment - it is a totally different situation isn't it?

WA: Oh yes, it takes time - it does take time and you do try and perfect that on the training pitch obviously, but in a game everything happens so quickly you have to be really sharp with your thinking and you really need to make your reactions towards each other and situations instinctive.

CB: You scored a good couple of goals at Wrexham but unfortunately they did not win us any points which I suppose takes the shine off your achievement?

WA: That's right. Hopefully we can bounce back from that. It was a game we should never have lost.

CB: Which of your goals has given you most pleasure?

WA: All my goals give me a lot of pleasure. If I see the ball go over the goal-line that is enough pleasure for me.

CB: You're a Yorkshireman Wayne yet you have played most of your career in this part of the country. You must like it down here?

WA: That's right. It is a nice place

to live. It is always nice to go back up North for away games but I have settled down here. I had to for my job like, and I am happy.



CB: Is life getting any easier for strikers do you think since the alteration in the offside law, and the directive to linesman that if in doubt they should now react in favour of the forwards as opposed to the defence?

WA: Unfortunately not all linesmen seem to be operating this way and it is the inconsistency factor that is so annoying. Some linesmen do, some linesmen don't. It is the letter of the law as well - like some linesmen may flag but the referee won't give it because there is a difference of interpretation. It is a little bit difficult but from a striker's point of view, we have to remain very, very positive.

CB: Have you changed your approach in any way?

WA: No. I still get off-side every time.

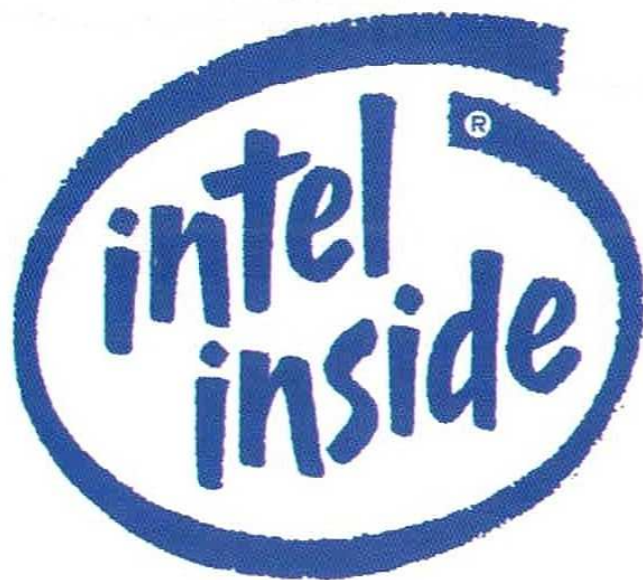
CB: No what I mean is do you say to yourself you will try and stay in front of the defence (as before) to make sure you are on-side or do you try and push it to the limit, get yourself level as you wait for the pass?

WA: You try and keep onside by staying behind the last man as much as you can because if you are close you will invariably be blown up more often than not and you won't be happy about that of course.

CB: From what you have experienced so this far this season do you feel we are one of the best teams in this Division?

WA: We have got one of the most experienced squads in the Division with many players who have played at the higher level so in that respect we are a decent team. But you can never take anything for granted. It is all down to the players who play on a Saturday - we need to get results.





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# Matchday Party

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*Derby day today and not a horse or Rams supporter in sight!*  
Welcome to The County Ground for this afternoon's Matchday

Party sponsored by our friends from Swindon Contact Lenses. Should be another bumper crowd and hopefully full of goals - at least for us!

Keep those birthday requests coming into me at the club if you want me to read them out on matchdays.

Two birthdays at the Club to mention. Young trainee Matthew Coupe is 17 years old today and a little bit older is our ex-Bristol City man Wayne Allison who is 27 on October 16.

So to Horne's Howler for the week...and can you believe it, this one is true!

At the Coca-Cola Cup tie with Blackburn at The County Ground recently two visiting supporters asked stewards if they could change from their seats in Town End to be with the other Blackburn fans in the Castrol Stand.

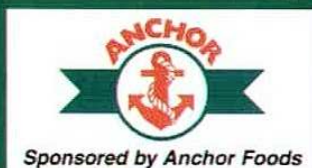
When asked why they bought tickets in the Town End the Blackburn lads said "We asked for tickets in t'Rovers Stand not t'Rover Stand!"

Ee by gum what a mistake to make!

## The Junior Robins

With Louise Kaye

*Welcome to the County Ground for this afternoon's exciting local derby against Bristol City. A warm welcome also to The Junior Reds who travelled down earlier today to join the Junior Robins for morning football and refreshments - I hope you all enjoy what is guaranteed to be a great game!*



### AWAY TRIPS

Firstly, I hope the Junior Robins who travelled to Blackburn with tickets for their family enclosure earlier this month had a good trip. My apologies to those who missed out but it's first come, first served basis for these popular visits I'm afraid. I receive a limited allocation for each away trip, so I would encourage you to book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

However, I am pleased to inform you that there will be more opportunities to travel to away matches this month, including Brighton & Hove Albion and Notts County. The day will consist of morning football, refreshments and watching the game. The prices for each trip and full details are in the October Newsletter.

### TRAINING SESSIONS

I am happy to announce that the weekly training sessions will recommence on Monday 9th October at the usual times for all Junior Robins. As a reminder these are 6.00 - 7.00 for under 12's and 7.00 - 8.00pm for 12's and over. Please arrive at the Extension Field about 10 minutes before your necessary sessions to register.

## Today's Lucky Mascots



Katie Sage turned 12 yesterday, so Happy Birthday from all at Swindon Town FC! Katie attends Ridgeway School, near her home in Wroughton, where she also plays football for the school team. She is a keen Swindon Town fan and her favourite player is Peter Thorne.



6 year old Martin Hunt from Lightwater, Surrey is also lucky mascot for today's game. Martin attends Cheswyke School in Surrey and his hobbies are football and golf. He is regularly at the County Ground supporting his favourite team and player, Kevin Horlock.



Jason Ponting is also 6 years old and attends Holy Family Infants School, Swindon. Besides football, another of his big hobbies is playing computer games. Jason's favourite team is of course Swindon Town and I am sure he'll be delighted to meet his favourite player today who is Steve Finney.



**BRISTOL CITY MASCOT**  
Andrew McQuaid is aged 12 and attends St. Bede's School, Lawrence Weston. He enjoys playing football and rugby and has watched Bristol City for 6 years. His favourite players are David Seal, Rob Edwards and Junior Bent.



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# Marketing NEWS

With Phil Alexander

*A big warm welcome to today's fixture from everybody in the Marketing Team.*

## Today's Matchday Sponsors

We are pleased to welcome back Ken Chapman and his colleagues at Chapman Warren for their annual match sponsorship. Chapman Warren was founded in Swindon in 1981 and has since grown to become one of Britain's leading Town Planning and Development Consultancies, with five regional offices in England and Wales. Locally, the partners in Chapman Warren have project-managed major developments at Westlea Down and the Haydon Sector in Swindon, and also at Chippenham, Wootton Bassett, Calne, Melksham, Cirencester and Salisbury. Chapman Warren's guests at today's match include representatives from many of Britain's major householding companies.

## Players Player of the Month

This is an exciting award for this season. The players themselves have voted for their player of the month for September. The winner will receive a meal for 2 at Fattios Italian Restaurant in Highworth and many thanks to Ian Vockins at Fattios for supporting this award. Today's presentation will be before the match by a V.I.P. from Castol UK, our main sponsors.

## Matchball Sponsors



A big welcome today to both of our Matchball Sponsors, Morris Owen and Endsleigh Insurance Brokers.

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Their sponsorship of the Endsleigh League has made their name familiar to everyone but you may not know that they have access to all major commercial insurance companies, together with the Lloyd's market. They are able to arrange the commercial insurances for the majority of businesses and if you would like them to provide a free, no obligation quote please contact them.

## Matchball Sponsorship

This is a unique and exciting sponsorship package for six guests. The package includes: The best seats in the house, meal before the game, Executive Suite facilities and acknowledgements in the programme, over the PA system and on the scoreboard. The price for this is only £350.00 + VAT. We have a number of games still available for this season. Please call the Marketing team for more details on Swindon (01793) 532121.



*Steve Finney presents an autographed football to Richard Brown and his guests from Swift who were Matchball Sponsors against Blackburn Rovers.*



*Peter Archer presents Ian Scott-Gall, Managing Director of Blick Plc, with a signed framed shirt. Blick were the Matchday Sponsors against Blackburn Rovers.*



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# Swindon Town Ladies



**Swindon Town Ladies maintained top position in Division Two of the Southern Region League despite their game with Leighton Linslade being postponed.**

On Sunday 8th October we entertain Gosport in our first game of the season on our regular home pitch at the County Ground Extension. The kick-off will be at 2.00pm. Gosport have had a good start to the season being undefeated. Last season they narrowly missed out on promotion when they finished in third place.

The coaching programme for youngsters is going well, with more girls than last season coming along. The coaching is held on Monday evenings from 6 to 7 on the County Ground Extension. These sessions, which are organised jointly by Football in the Community Office and The Ladies, are an excellent way for young girls to get involved in football and develop their skills. Anyone interested should contact Kerie on Swindon (01793) 430430 or the Community Office on Swindon (01793) 421303.

Next Sunday we visit Plymouth Pilgrims in the Second Round of the UK Living Women's FA Cup. We had a bye in the First Round when our opponents, Cardiff Institute withdrew from the competition. Plymouth accounted for Cable Tel, Newport in the First Round by five goals to one. Last season the Pilgrims reached the Third Round when they were



beaten by Bristol City, who went onto the Semi Finals. The Town have not met Plymouth before, who play in Division One of the South Western League and are currently in first position. This will be quite a challenge for the Town but a good opportunity to take on top opposition from another League.



**Vikki McCann, supported by Kim Reeves, makes ground down the right in the match against Eastleigh.**

*By Roger Reeves*

## Southern Region League Division 2 Fixtures & Results

| DATE        | OPPONENTS                 |       |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Sun 3 Sept  | Milton Keynes United      | A 4-0 |
| Sun 10 Sept | Reading Royals            | A 4-1 |
|             | FA Cup 1st Round          | H w/o |
| Sun 17 Sept | Eastleigh                 | H 4-0 |
| Sun 1 Oct   | Basingstoke Town          | A 8-0 |
| Sun 8 Oct   | Gosport                   | H     |
| Sun 15 Oct  | Plymouth Pilgrims (FAC 2) | A     |
| Sun 22 Oct  | Oxford University         | H     |
| Sun 29 Oct  | Thame                     | A     |
| Sun 5 Nov   | Milton Keynes United      | H     |
| Sun 12 Nov  | Reading Royals            | H     |
| Sun 19 Nov  | Eastleigh                 | A     |
| Sun 26 Nov  | Leighton Linsdale         | A     |
| Sun 3 Dec   | Basingstoke Town          | H     |
| Sun 10 Dec  | Gosport                   | A     |
| Sun 17 Dec  | League Cup Prelim Round   |       |
| Sun 7 Jan   | League 5-a-side           |       |
| Sun 14 Jan  | Carterton                 | H     |
| Sun 21 Jan  | Oxford University         | A     |
| Sun 28 Jan  | League Cup 1              |       |
| Sun 4 Feb   | Thame                     | H     |
| Sun 11 Feb  | League Cup 2              |       |
| TBA         | Carterton                 | A     |
| TBA         | Leighton Linsdale         | H     |

All home games are played on the County Ground Extension and kick-off at 2.00pm.

## Southern Region League Division 2 as at 24 September 1995

| Team              | HOME |   |   | AWAY |    |    | Pts |
|-------------------|------|---|---|------|----|----|-----|
|                   | P    | W | D | L    | F  | A  |     |
| SWINDON TOWN      | 3    | 3 | 0 | 0    | 12 | 1  | 9   |
| Thame             | 2    | 2 | 0 | 0    | 13 | 1  | 6   |
| Gosport           | 2    | 2 | 0 | 0    | 10 | 4  | 6   |
| Carterton         | 3    | 1 | 1 | 1    | 6  | 8  | 4   |
| Basingstoke Town  | 2    | 1 | 0 | 1    | 5  | 7  | 3   |
| Milton Keynes     | 3    | 0 | 1 | 2    | 1  | 6  | 1   |
| Reading Royals    | 1    | 0 | 0 | 1    | 1  | 4  | 0   |
| Eastleigh         | 3    | 0 | 0 | 3    | 5  | 16 | 0   |
| Leighton Linslade | 1    | 0 | 0 | 1    | 0  | 6  | 0   |
| Oxford University | 0    | 0 | 0 | 0    | 0  | 0  | 0   |

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# ReservesReview



By Ross MacLaren

## Avon Insurance Combination Division 1 Fixtures & Results

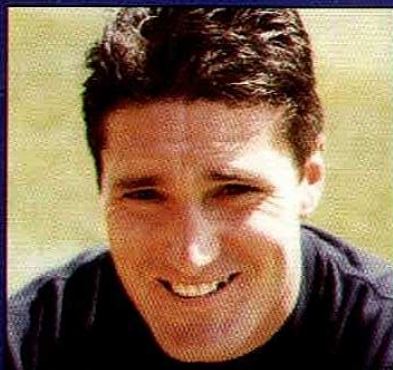
| DATE        | OPPONENTS              |         |
|-------------|------------------------|---------|
| Mon 14 Aug  | LUTON TOWN             | H** 1-1 |
| Wed 23 Aug  | Norwich City           | A 0-6   |
| Mon 28 Aug  | OXFORD UNITED          | H** 0-0 |
| Wed 06 Sept | Southampton            | A 1-4   |
| Mon 11 Sept | ARSENAL                | H** 1-1 |
| Mon 18 Sept | Bristol Rovers         | A 1-2   |
| Mon 25 Sept | CHELSEA                | H** 1-2 |
| Mon 02 Oct  | Millwall               | A 1-1   |
| Mon 09 Oct  | WIMBLEDON              | H**     |
| Mon 16 Oct  | TOTTENHAM H.           | H**     |
| Tue 24 Oct  | Portsmouth             | A       |
| Mon 30 Oct  | Q.P.R.                 | H**     |
| Tue 07 Nov  | Watford                | A       |
| Mon 13 Nov  | CRYSTAL PALACE         | H       |
| Mon 20 Nov  | West Ham United        | A       |
| Mon 27 Nov  | BRISTOL CITY           | H       |
| Wed 06 Dec  | Brighton & Hove Albion | A       |
| Mon 11 Dec  | CHARLTON ATH.          | H       |
| Wed 20 Dec  | Ipswich Town           | A       |
| Wed 27 Dec  | NORWICH CITY           | H       |
| Wed 03 Jan  | Oxford United          | A       |
| Mon 08 Jan  | SOUTHAMPTON            | H       |
| Sat 13 Jan  | Arsenal                | A       |
| Mon 22 Jan  | BRISTOL ROVERS         | H       |
| Mon 29 Jan  | Chelsea                | A       |
| Mon 05 Feb  | MILLWALL               | H       |
| Wed 14 Feb  | Wimbledon              | A       |
| Mon 19 Feb  | Tottenham Hotspur      | A       |
| Mon 26 Feb  | PORTSMOUTH             | H       |
| Tue 05 Mar  | Q.P.R.                 | A       |
| Mon 11 Mar  | WATFORD                | H       |
| Wed 20 Mar  | Crystal Palace         | A       |
| Mon 25 Mar  | WEST HAM UNITED        | H       |
| Wed 10 Apr  | BRIGHTON & H.A.        | H       |
| Wed 17 Apr  | Charlton Athletic      | A       |
| Mon 22 Apr  | IPSWICH TOWN           | H       |
| Mon 29 Apr  | Bristol City           | A       |
| Wed 01 May  | Luton Town             | A       |

Home games are played at either the County Ground, Swindon or Witney Town F.C. (games marked\*\*) with both venue and time of kick off subject to change.



## Avon Insurance Combination as at 02 October 1995

|                      | P | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts. | GD  |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|------|-----|
| Wimbledon            | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 19 | 8  | 18   | 11  |
| Queens Park Rangers  | 8 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 18 | 10 | 18   | 8   |
| Arsenal              | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 7  | 16   | 11  |
| Chelsea              | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 8  | 16   | 7   |
| Tottenham Hotspur    | 8 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 9  | 14   | 3   |
| Norwich City         | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 7  | 13   | 13  |
| Ipswich Town         | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 3  | 13   | 11  |
| Southampton          | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 7  | 11   | 5   |
| Crystal Palace       | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4  | 2  | 11   | 2   |
| Bristol Rovers       | 8 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 13 | 20 | 9    | -7  |
| Bristol City         | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 6  | 8    | -2  |
| Watford              | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 8  | 13 | 8    | -5  |
| West Ham United      | 8 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 9  | 16 | 8    | -7  |
| Oxford United        | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 7  | 8  | 6    | -1  |
| Charlton Athletic    | 7 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 6  | 10 | 6    | -4  |
| Millwall             | 8 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 19 | 6    | -8  |
| Brighton & Hove Alb. | 7 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3  | 9  | 5    | -6  |
| Luton Town           | 7 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 7  | 11 | 4    | -4  |
| Swindon Town         | 8 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 6  | 17 | 4    | -11 |
| Portsmouth           | 8 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 6  | 22 | 3    | -16 |



*Our last home Avon Insurance Combination game was against Chelsea at Witney Town and we were able to field a side of whom all but one of the players who started have played in the First Team.*

We put Chelsea under a great deal of pressure from the first kick of the ball and created several half-chances early on.

The pressure paid off when we took a deserved lead from a long kick from Steve Mildenhall which saw the ball sail over their centre half's head. With Peter Thorne on the pitch you do not give him a chance like that and he fired the ball home.

This was just reward for all of our hard work and we went in at the interval with the single goal lead. In the second half we could have well increased our lead but Jamie Pitman's header was palmed away by the visiting keeper.

However Chelsea managed to get back into the game with twenty

minutes remaining when they were awarded a penalty.

Steve Mildenhall made a great save but was let down by the rest of the team who just stood by to watch the ball blasted home on the rebound.

We kept battling on but with just two minutes remaining Chelsea were given the points when from a free-kick the ball was not cleared and they were allowed a header at goal which Mildenhall was unable to get to.

Despite leaving Witney pointless we showed some encouraging signs and hopefully it will not be too long before we can put a run together and climb away from the foot of the table.

## Reserve Team Appearances as at 02 October 1995

|               | Apps | Goals |
|---------------|------|-------|
| J. BEAUCHAMP  | 5    | 0     |
| P. BRUNO      | 1    | 0     |
| S. CAMPBELL   | 0(1) | 0     |
| L. COLLINS    | 1    | 0     |
| M. COUPE      | 1    | 0     |
| F. DIGBY      | 3    | 0     |
| A. FINLAYSON  | 2(2) | 0     |
| T. GOODEN     | 3    | 2     |
| J. HAINES     | 2    | 0     |
| I. HARVEY     | 1(3) | 0     |
| J. HOLLOWAY   | 6(1) | 0     |
| D. HOOPER     | 6    | 1     |
| K. HORLOCK    | 1    | 0     |
| A. HUGHES     | 4(2) | 0     |
| B. KILCLINE   | 3    | 0     |
| J. LAIDLAW    | 6(1) | 0     |
| L. MIDDLETON  | 1(2) | 0     |
| S. MILDENHALL | 3(1) | 0     |
| E. MURRAY     | 4    | 0     |
| A. MUTCH      | 3    | 2     |
| G. PEARCE     | 0(1) | 0     |
| J. PITMAN     | 6    | 0     |
| M. RAWLINGS   | 1    | 0     |
| R. SOUTER     | 3(1) | 0     |
| S. THOMAS     | 9(1) | 0     |
| A. THOMSON    | 8    | 0     |
| G. THORNE     | 3    | 0     |
| P. THORNE     | 1    | 1     |
| J. TONER      | 1    | 0     |
| A. VIVEASH    | 3    | 0     |
| S. WIMBLE     | 2(2) | 0     |
| S. WOODMAN    | 0(4) | 0     |
| B. WORRALL    | 4(2) | 0     |

**Result:**  
**Avon Insurance Combination**  
**Swindon Town 1 Chelsea 2**

**Scorer:** Thorne P.

**Team:** Mildenhall, Murray, Thorne G, Pitman, Thomson, Viveash, Hooper, Gooden, Thorne P, Mutch, Beauchamp. **Subs:** Middleton, Worrall, Laidlaw.



# Youth Team Focus



*Our recent run of better results and improved performances was put to the test when we entertained Crystal Palace at Warnborough in the South East Counties League.*

Palace are currently League leaders with maximum points from games played.

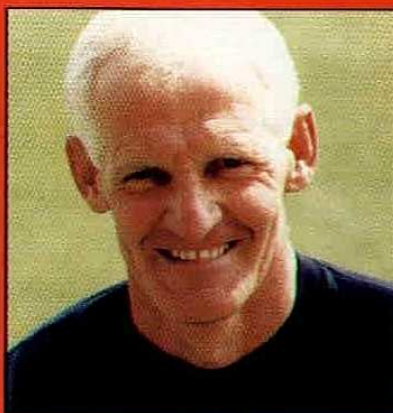
In the last two to three seasons Palace have become one of the teams you can judge the strengths and weaknesses of your players on, as they seem to be a good all round team with three or four outstanding players.

Always hoping that we might upset their game things unfortunately went true to form with the visitors running out easy victors winning four - nil.

Although we worked quite hard, we never matched their movement, passing or awareness and must admit that we were completely outplayed.

Two goals in each half flattered us for we created very little around the Palace penalty area.

If we learn from this game, with the players taking more responsibility with and without the ball, we may come somewhere near this Palace performance in future games.



A change of competition saw us travel to play Cardiff City at Ninian Park in the First Round of the Southern Junior Floodlit Cup.

After the defeat by Crystal Palace, this game hopefully would give us the chance to bounce back.

In a hard fought game quality was in short supply but we came away with a one goal victory.

We found it hard to put our game together against the more direct approach of Cardiff. The only goal of the tie came from a set-play, when a Shaun Wimble free-kick was headed back by Matthew Coupe. A Ryan Souter shot was then blocked with the ball falling to Scott Woodman to score from close range.

A pleasing result but we must look to improve on this performance in the next round at Watford.

By John Trollope

## South East Counties League Division 2 Fixtures & Results

| DATE               | OPPONENTS                      |              |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Sat 12 Aug         | Barnet                         | A 1-2        |
| <b>Sat 19 Aug</b>  | <b>LUTON TOWN</b>              | <b>H 1-3</b> |
| Sat 26 Aug         | Southampton                    | A 0-2        |
| <b>Sat 02 Sept</b> | <b>TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR</b>       | <b>H 1-1</b> |
| <b>Tue 05 Sept</b> | <b>SHREWSBURY TOWN (MYC 2)</b> | <b>H 2-0</b> |
| Sat 09 Sept        | Bristol Rovers                 | A 1-0        |
| <b>Sat 16 Sept</b> | <b>BARNET (LC1)</b>            | <b>H 4-1</b> |
| <b>Sat 23 Sept</b> | <b>CRYSTAL PALACE</b>          | <b>H 0-4</b> |
| Tue 26 Sept        | Cardiff City (SJFC 1)          | A 1-0        |
| <b>Sat 30 Sept</b> | <b>READING</b>                 | <b>H 1-1</b> |
| Sat 07 Oct         | Colchester United              | A            |
| <b>Sat 14 Oct</b>  | <b>WYCOMBE WANDERERS</b>       | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 21 Oct         | Oxford United (LC2)            | A            |
| <b>Mon 23 Oct</b>  | <b>LEICESTER CITY (MYC 3)</b>  | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 28 Oct         | Oxford United                  | A            |
| Tue 31 Oct         | Watford (SJFC 2)               | A            |
| <b>Sat 04 Nov</b>  | <b>AFC BOURNEMOUTH</b>         | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 11 Nov         | Bristol City                   | A            |
| <b>Sat 18 Nov</b>  | <b>WIMBLEDON</b>               | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 25 Nov         | LC3                            |              |
| Sat 02 Dec         | Brentford                      | A            |
| <b>Sat 09 Dec</b>  | <b>BRIGHTON &amp; HOVE A.</b>  | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 16 Dec         | Brighton & Hove Albion         | A            |
| <b>Sat 30 Dec</b>  | <b>BARNET</b>                  | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 06 Jan         | Luton Town                     | A            |
| <b>Sat 13 Jan</b>  | <b>SOUTHAMPTON</b>             | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 20 Jan         | Tottenham Hotspur              | A            |
| <b>Sat 27 Jan</b>  | <b>BRISTOL ROVERS</b>          | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 03 Feb         | Crystal Palace                 | A            |
| Sat 10 Feb         | Reading                        | A            |
| <b>Sat 17 Feb</b>  | <b>COLCHESTER UNITED</b>       | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 24 Feb         | Wycombe Wanderers              | A            |
| Sat 09 Feb         | AFC Bournemouth                | A            |
| <b>Sat 16 Mar</b>  | <b>BRISTOL CITY</b>            | <b>H</b>     |
| Sat 23 Mar         | Wimbledon                      | A            |
| <b>Sat 30 Mar</b>  | <b>BRENTFORD</b>               | <b>H</b>     |

All home League games are played at The Allied Dunbar Training Centre, Warnborough kicking off at 11.00am.

## Results:

**South East Counties League  
Swindon Town 0 Crystal Palace 4**

**Team:** Mildenhall, Pearce, Souter, Thomas, Harvey, Coupe, Pattimore, Hunt, Finlayson, Woodman, Wimble.

**Subs:** Wheeldon, Campbell, Haines.

**Southern Junior Floodlit Cup 1st Round  
Cardiff City 0 Swindon Town 1**

**Scorer:** Woodman

**Team:** Mildenhall, Pearce, Souter, Thomas, Harvey, Coupe, Pattimore, Hunt, Wheeldon, Woodman, Wimble.

**Subs:** Campbell, Thorne W, Haines.

## South East Counties League Division 2 as at 30 September 1995

|                        | P | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts. |
|------------------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|------|
| Crystal Palace         | 7 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 6  | 14   |
| Southampton            | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 15 | 4  | 10   |
| Tottenham Hotspur      | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 12 | 9    |
| Luton Town             | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 16 | 11 | 9    |
| Barnet                 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 8  | 9    |
| Bristol City           | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 12 | 8  | 8    |
| Oxford United          | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 11 | 8    |
| Wimbledon              | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 18 | 12 | 8    |
| Bristol Rovers         | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 7  | 6    |
| AFC Bournemouth        | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 8  | 11 | 6    |
| Brighton & Hove Albion | 7 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 7  | 10 | 6    |
| Brentford              | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 7  | 9  | 5    |
| Wycombe Wanderers      | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 5  | 13 | 5    |
| Swindon Town           | 7 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 5  | 13 | 4    |
| Colchester United      | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 5  | 17 | 2    |
| Reading                | 7 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 5  | 27 | 1    |



# FROM The Boardroom

Dear Editor

Re: Clive King

*I write on behalf of the Board of Directors, Management and Staff at Swindon Town concerning the recent sudden death of reporter Clive King.*

We were all deeply shocked to hear the sad news that Clive had passed away having been a "member of the family" at Swindon Town for so many years.

It would not be true to say that Clive had the best of relations with the Football Club since occasionally his reports were controversial in the eyes of some and caused friction between himself and the Manager at the time. His comment to this was always "I write it as I see it."

Despite these rare differences he commanded a respect amongst all who were able to get to know him and what always came over was his passion for Swindon Town.

Like many of us, he was on a high when we produced a convincing win over our opponents of the day. I know he was convinced that our current team was one of the best and was predicting in the close season that we would be favourites for promotion, let's hope his prediction comes true.

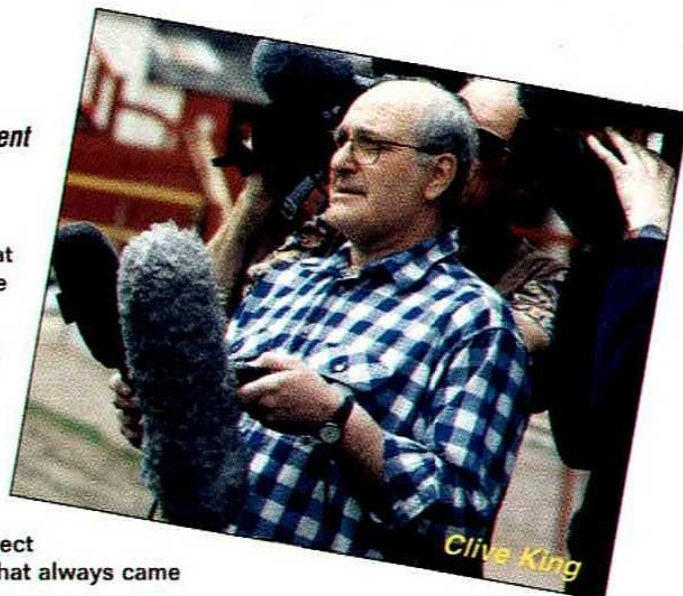
At the last home game, I was discussing with him the idea of having set places for the different members of the media in the Press Box. He was quick to point out that there was not a newspaper reporter in the country who did not know where Clive King's seat was!

I feel sure he will be missed by his press colleagues but no more than all of us at Swindon Town, he was a great fan, a pleasant man and a credit to his trade.

Your sincerely

**Cliff Puffett**

Director  
Swindon Town Football Club



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Nottingham Forest were the first club to win two Wembley Finals in the same season when in 1989 they won the Littlewoods Cup and the Simod Cup.

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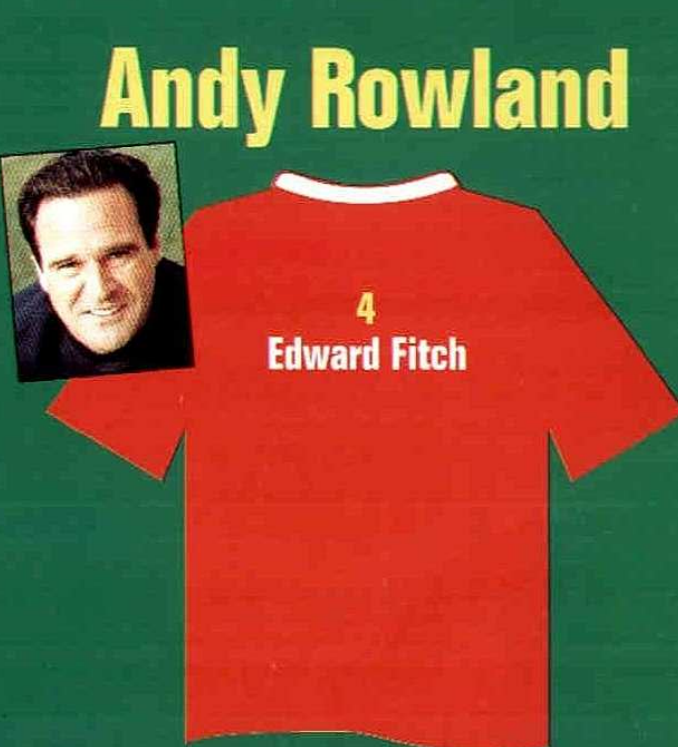
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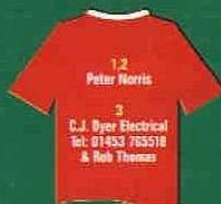
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# Winning **WAYS**

By Dave Hollister

*Mr Richard Allen of Middlesex is a regular supporter at The County Ground. Buying a Nest-Egg ticket at the Rotherham game certainly helped with his travelling expenses because No.7220 on his ticket meant he journeyed home with £807 he never arrived with.*

*The Blackburn game on 20th September thrilled us all but none more than Mr.B.D.Richards of Cirencester. No.9113 on his Nest-Egg ticket made him £1,000 better off! Congratulations, gentlemen and thank you for your valued support of our lottery activities.*

## **'Guy Fawkes' Race Night**

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# Benno!



By Colin Benson

*Blackburn Rovers have been very much on our minds this week, the second leg of our Coca-Cola Cup tie at Ewood Park the highlight for the players and fans alike. It was a mountain to climb of course after we conceded three goals to them at home, but the experience of playing the Premiership Champions in their own back yard will have provided an excellent insight for our younger players.*

The week before English football had been handed another severe lesson when first Manchester United crashed out of the UEFA Cup at the First Round stage then Blackburn found themselves outplayed by Rosenborg, the Norwegian Champions. It was, according to the broadsheets, a case of Blackburn's tactics being exposed by clever continental opponents.

Well the Rovers have been found wanting for some time. Remember the way relegation haunted Manchester City took them to the cleaners at Ewood Park during the final run-in last season? Sherwood and company couldn't live with the movement and creativity of the likes of Garry Flitcroft and Nicky Summerbee that night and City, as we have seen, are not the greatest of teams.

Tactics are important of course but in the end it really is all down to players. It doesn't matter what tactical geniuses you would have behind the scenes, what fancy title you give your formation. If you haven't got players of quality who can operate the system and adapt to conditions on the park you are dead.

Let's face it the passing of the Blackburn side in Frondheim was woeful. Midfielders Batty and Sherwood continually gave away possession through sloppiness, both on and off the ball, when they weren't passing back and I can't recall anyone playing a telling ball into the last third of the field. Where was the craft? Where was the vision? Where was the

precision? Oh for the days of Clayton, Douglas and Dougan.

The tragedy is that Blackburn have in Alan Shearer one of the most lethal strikers in the business - possibly the best ever to wear the famous blue and white halves - but are unable to make the most of him through the forward's inadequacies in other departments. It was the England centre forward's brilliant leap and headed lay-off that set up the chance for Newell to scramble in a surprise equaliser but the rare opportunities that come his way he had to fashion himself.

Manchester United too were short on skill. Ryan Giggs - however was he compared to George Best? He's not in the same class and failed to deliver a quality cross all night. You had to go to the City Ground, Nottingham, to enjoy such "old fashioned" virtues. Oh yes the pace and cunning of Dutchman Bryan Roy earned the headlines but the contribution of Steve Stone was the highlight for me. Here is a player who can beat a man and cross a ball with the accuracy of a laser guided missile; on the run or from a standing situation...An ideal partner for the likes of Shearer you might say.

It was interesting to hear Roy say after Forest's victory over Malmö that he felt the English tended to run down their own while in his opinion there was so much talent around the domestic game. Heartening words from the talented Dutchman but the lessons surely from the first two weeks of European club competition indicate that we still need to develop and better our basic skills.

## Can You Believe This?

*The Jewish L'Chaim Society, which promotes discussion of morals, ethics and spirituality, have invited Diego Maradona to speak to them at Oxford University.*

*I know the cheating little Argentinean's winning goal against England in Mexico City was described as "The hand of God" but surely there is a limit to poetic licence.*

*Former speakers at the society include Mikhail Gorbachev and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. Maradona's background of drugs and shady friends hardly seems to make him an ideal candidate.*



**NICKY SUMMERBEE -** learned his trade with Swindon.



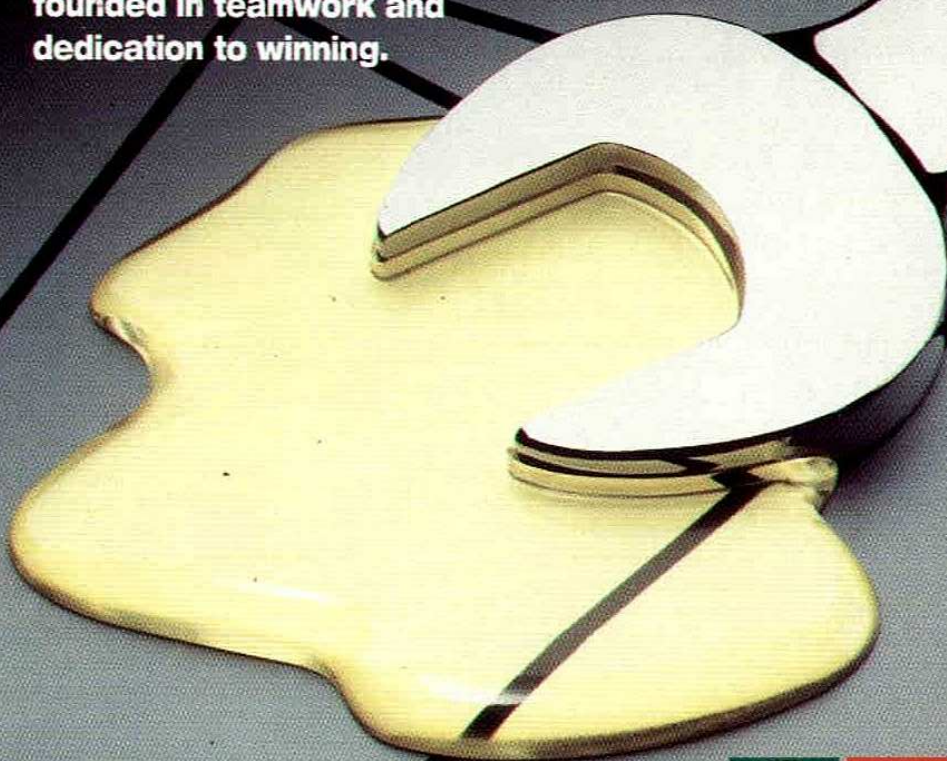
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# Captain's Column

With Team Captain Shaun Taylor

**WHAT HAPPENED AT WREXHAM?** *This is the question everybody has been asking me. What can I say, we were all so desperately disappointed with our performance and can only hope it was just a one off.*

They worked very hard but quite simply as a team we didn't play very well at all. But I honestly feel it was just one of those days which we want to forget. We just can't wait for today's game to come along, because we are determined to get it right this afternoon.

It is hard to put your finger on what went wrong because we were 2-0 up and later 3-2 ahead. Personally I didn't have a very good game and as a team we didn't perform and it doesn't matter what level you play at, you need at least seven or eight players actually performing well on the day if you are to succeed.

The one good thing was that our immediate rivals also lost and so we were not able to take advantage of our slip-up and this was encouraging. What we have to aim for now is at least five wins from our next nine games. If we can do that and lose one we will be in with a good chance of going up.

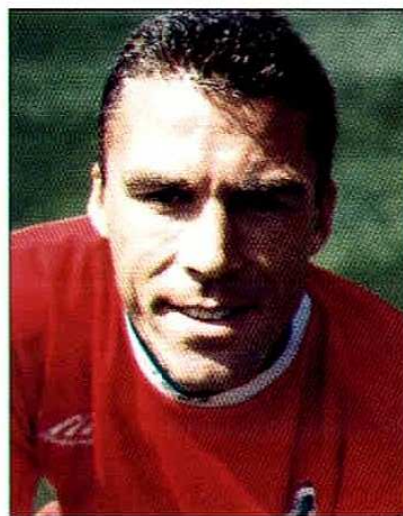
It was Blackburn on Wednesday, an exciting tie to be involved in, but everybody knows our priority this season is to go up into the

First Division and so we will be looking to get back to winning ways today.

We knew this season we would be involved in a lot of derby games which don't always go to form so it is going to be tough. We have already been held here by Oxford United, played Bristol Rovers away, and now take on Bristol City today and last year as you know they beat us home and away so we obviously want to put one over on them.

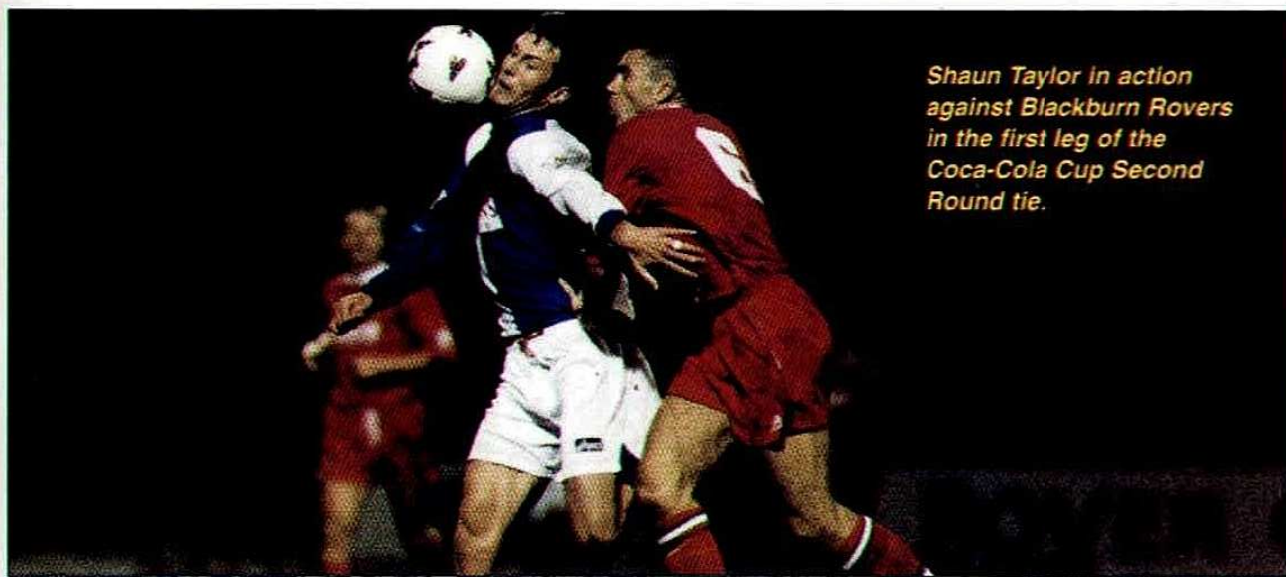
I know they have not had a very good start to the season but we are unbeaten here in the League and obviously want to keep that record intact. If we can maintain a dominance at home then we will be in with a great chance of going up.

I think most of our fans show more passion for this derby than the others we are involved in and we want to give them something to shout about. They have been excellent to us home and away, stuck with us through thick and thin and we know they are just willing us to perform this afternoon.



It is one of those fixtures when old ties are remembered. John Gorman will be back with Bristol, Wayne Allison who played for them last year here, is up against his former colleagues today in Swindon Town colours.

There is still a long way to go yet though. Blackpool are now breathing down our necks and we haven't played them yet. We haven't met Crewe either, but it doesn't matter who you are against there are no easy games. We have to be bold, go out and earn our right to go up, for no one else will do it for us.



*Shaun Taylor in action against Blackburn Rovers in the first leg of the Coca-Cola Cup Second Round tie.*



# Centre of Excellence



*With Youth Development Officer Tommy Wheeldon*

*At last the season for the Associate Schoolboys has begun. The Under 13's entertained Cardiff City at Cirencester and ran out 3-2 winners with all the goals being scored by striker Andrew Zarcuski. The report I received from coach Paul Weller suggests the performance wasn't up to the standard we are looking for and only one or two players came out of the game with any credit.*

I went to the U15's game against AFC Bournemouth with Don Rogers and I was certainly pleased with several aspects of the team.

Goalkeeper Mike Alford looked very positive and dealt with situations with confidence, while the back three of Gareth Benfield, Frank Stephens and Neil Morris defended well but didn't look comfortable enough when in possession.



The flank-men, now known in the modern game as 'wing-backs', didn't get to grips with the system and were very poor in going forward.

We chopped and changed the midfield about during the game to give different lads a run-out. Up front young Ian McSherry was

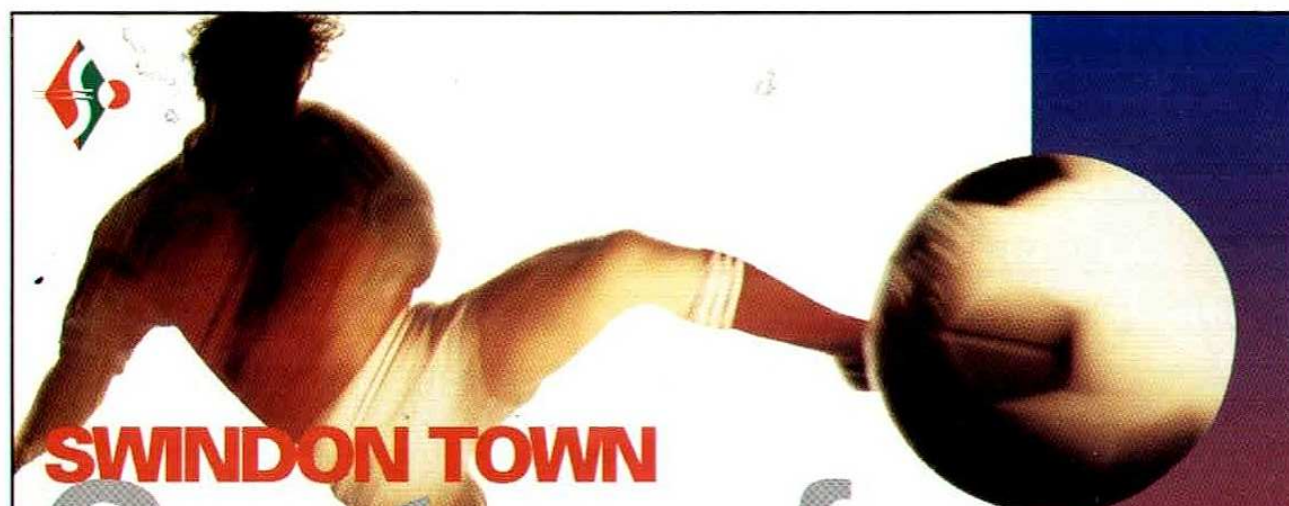
in good form scoring twice and making a third for Bradley Peters in our three - nil victory.

The U14's and U16's both travelled to AFC Bournemouth and came away with mixed fortunes.

The younger group lost 5-1 with the goal coming from Antonio Falvobut. The U16's fared better winning 3-2 after coming back from being two goals down.

Terry Woollen told me that we were not as bad as the scoreline suggests but there is room for improvement.


John Trollope's report on the U16's was a bit disappointing as we have a lot of boys who have come through the ranks together and are not showing what they can do. This year is extremely important to them as we will soon be having to make decisions on Y.T. placings for next year.



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## Endsleigh League Division 2 as at 05 October 1995

|                      | P  | W | D | L | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts. | GD  |
|----------------------|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|------|-----|
| <b>SWINDON TOWN</b>  | 10 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 8  | 23   | 13  |
| BLACKPOOL            | 10 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 10 | 19   | 5   |
| BRADFORD CITY        | 10 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 14 | 19   | 1   |
| STOCKPORT COUNTY     | 10 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 6  | 19   | 7   |
| CREWE ALEXANDRA      | 9  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 19 | 9  | 18   | 10  |
| CHESTERFIELD         | 10 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 10 | 17   | 7   |
| BRISTOL ROVERS       | 10 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 12 | 17   | 1   |
| NOTTS COUNTY         | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 9  | 16   | 3   |
| BURNLEY              | 10 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 11 | 15   | 1   |
| OXFORD UNITED        | 10 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 10 | 14   | 3   |
| WYCOMBE WANDERERS    | 10 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 9  | 14   | 3   |
| ROTHERHAM UNITED     | 10 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 13 | 12   | 0   |
| WREXHAM              | 10 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 13 | 14 | 12   | -1  |
| WALSALL              | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 11 | 14   | 1   |
| YORK CITY            | 10 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 11 | 14 | 11   | -3  |
| BRENTFORD            | 10 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 8  | 10 | 11   | -2  |
| PETERBOROUGH UNITED  | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 17 | 10   | -6  |
| SWANSEA CITY         | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 17 | 10   | -6  |
| AFC BOURNEMOUTH      | 9  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 9  | 15 | 10   | -6  |
| CARLISLE UNITED      | 10 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 16 | 9    | -6  |
| BRIGHTON & HOVE ALB. | 9  | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 9  | 13 | 9    | -4  |
| BRISTOL CITY         | 9  | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 6  | 12 | 8    | -6  |
| HULL CITY            | 10 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4  | 11 | 7    | -7  |
| SHREWSBURY TOWN      | 10 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 20 | 5    | -10 |

## First Team Appearances as at 05 October 1995

|                  | LEAGUE |       | CUP   |       | TOTAL |       |
|------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                  | APPS.  | GOALS | APPS. | GOALS | APPS. | GOALS |
| WAYNE ALLISON    | 8      | 5     | 3     | 1     | 11    | 6     |
| JOEY BEAUCHAMP   | 1(3)   | 0     | 0(1)  | 1     | 1(4)  | 1     |
| PAUL BODIN       | 7(2)   | 1     | 4     | 0     | 11(2) | 1     |
| IAN CULVERHOUSE  | 10     | 0     | 4     | 0     | 14    | 0     |
| FRASER DIGBY     | 0(7)   | 0     | 2     | 0     | 2(7)  | 0     |
| JASON DRYSDALE   | 1      | 0     | 0     | 0     | 1     | 0     |
| STEVE FINNEY     | 9(1)   | 5     | 4     | 1     | 13(1) | 6     |
| SHAY GIVEN       | 5      | 0     | 0     | 0     | 5     | 0     |
| TY GOODEN        | 3(3)   | 1     | 1(2)  | 1     | 4(5)  | 2     |
| DEAN HOOPER      | 0(1)   | 0     | 0(2)  | 0     | 0(3)  | 0     |
| KEVIN HORLOCK    | 8(2)   | 4     | 3(1)  | 1     | 11(3) | 5     |
| STEVE McMAHON    | -10    | 0     | 4     | 0     | 14    | 0     |
| STEVE MILDENHALL | 0(2)   | 0     | 2     | 0     | 2(2)  | 0     |
| EDWIN MURRAY     | 2(4)   | 1     | 1(3)  | 0     | 3(7)  | 1     |
| LUC NIJHOLT      | 0(1)   | 0     | 0(1)  | 0     | 0(2)  | 0     |
| WAYNE O'SULLIVAN | 10     | 1     | 4     | 0     | 14    | 1     |
| JAMIE PITMAN     | 0(1)   | 0     | 0(1)  | 0     | 0(2)  | 0     |
| MARK ROBINSON    | 10     | 1     | 3     | 0     | 13    | 1     |
| MARK SEAGRAVES   | 10     | 0     | 4     | 0     | 14    | 0     |
| FRANK TALIA      | 5      | 0     | 0     | 0     | 5     | 0     |
| SHAUN TAYLOR     | 10     | 1     | 4     | 0     | 14    | 1     |
| PETER THORNE     | 1(1)   | 1     | 1(1)  | 0     | 2(2)  | 1     |

## Season 1995/96 Fixtures

| Opponents                              | Res   |
|----------------------------------------|-------|
| Sat 12 Aug Hull City                   | A 1-0 |
| Tue 15 Aug Cambridge United (CCC 1-1)  | A 1-2 |
| Sat 19 Aug YORK CITY                   | H 3-0 |
| Wed 23 Aug CAMBRIDGE UTD (CCC 1-2)     | H 2-0 |
| Sat 26 Aug Carlisle United             | A 1-0 |
| Wed 30 Aug OXFORD UNITED               | H 1-1 |
| Sat 02 Sept Brentford                  | A 2-0 |
| Sat 09 Sept CHESTERFIELD               | H 1-1 |
| Wed 13 Sept BRADFORD CITY              | H 4-1 |
| Sat 16 Sept Bristol Rovers             | A 4-1 |
| Wed 20 Sept BLACKBURN ROVERS (CCC 2-1) | H 2-3 |
| Sat 23 Sept ROTHERHAM UNITED           | H 1-0 |
| Sat 30 Sept Wrexham                    | A 3-4 |
| Wed 04 Oct Blackburn Rovers (CCC 2-2)  | A 0-2 |
| Sat 07 Oct BRISTOL CITY                | H     |
| Sat 14 Oct Brighton & Hove Albion      | A     |
| Tue 17 Oct Torquay United (AWS 1-1)    | A     |
| Sat 21 Oct CREWE ALEXANDRA             | H     |
| Sat 28 Oct Notts County                | A     |
| Tue 31 Oct AFC Bournemouth             | A     |
| Sat 04 Nov BLACKPOOL                   | H     |
| Wed 08 Nov COLCHESTER UNITED (AWS 1-2) | H     |
| Sat 11 Nov (FAC 1)                     |       |
| Sat 18 Nov Stockport County            | A     |
| Sat 25 Nov SHREWSBURY TOWN             | H     |
| Wed 29 Nov (AWS 2)                     |       |
| Sat 02 Dec (FAC 2)                     |       |
| Sat 09 Dec Rotherham United            | A     |
| Sat 16 Dec WREXHAM                     | H     |
| Sat 23 Dec Walsall                     | A     |
| Tue 26 Dec WYCOMBE WANDERERS           | H     |
| Sat 30 Dec BURNLEY                     | H     |
| Mon 01 Jan Peterborough United         | A     |
| Sat 06 Jan SWANSEA CITY                | H     |
| Sat 13 Jan York City                   | A     |
| Sat 20 Jan HULL CITY                   | H     |
| Sat 27 Jan Oxford United               | A     |
| Sat 03 Feb CARLISLE UNITED             | H     |
| Sat 10 Feb Swansea City                | A     |
| Sat 17 Feb Bradford City               | A     |
| Wed 21 Feb BRENTFORD                   | H     |
| Sat 24 Feb BRISTOL ROVERS              | H     |
| Tue 27 Feb Chesterfield                | A     |
| Sat 02 Mar Wycombe Wanderers           | A     |
| Sat 09 Mar WALSALL                     | H     |
| Sat 16 Mar Burnley                     | A     |
| Sat 23 Mar PETERBOROUGH UNITED         | H     |
| Sat 30 Mar Bristol City                | A     |
| Wed 03 Apr BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION      | H     |
| Sat 06 Apr NOTTS COUNTY                | H     |
| Mon 08 Apr Crewe Alexandra             | A     |
| Sat 13 Apr AFC BOURNEMOUTH             | H     |
| Sat 20 Apr Blackpool                   | A     |
| Sat 27 Apr Shrewsbury Town             | A     |
| Sat 04 May STOCKPORT COUNTY            | H     |

FAC = F.A. CUP CCC = COCA-COLA CUP  
AWS = AUTO WINDSCREENS SHIELD

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# 995/96 Fixtures



| Alt.   | 1          | 2           | 3        | 4       | 5         | 6        | 7          | 8          | 9          | 10        | 11        | 12         | 13          | 14            |
|--------|------------|-------------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| 0,525  | GIVEN      | CULVERHOUSE | DRYSDALE | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY 1   | ALLISON   | GOODEN    | BODIN o    | NUHOLT      | MILDENHALL    |
| 2,530  | MILDENHALL | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY     | ALLISON   | GOODEN 1  | HORLOCK o  | NUHOLT o    | MURRAY        |
| 7,746  | GIVEN      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN 1  | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY 2   | ALLISON   | GOODEN    | HORLOCK o  | MURRAY      | MILDENHALL    |
| 6,724  | MILDENHALL | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | MURRAY     | O'SULLIVAN | THORNE P   | FINNEY    | HORLOCK 1 | HOOPER o   | PITMAN      | BEAUCHAMP o 1 |
| 6,325  | GIVEN      | CULVERHOUSE | HORLOCK  | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY     | MURRAY 1  | BEAUCHAMP | HOOPER     | PITMAN      | DIGBY         |
| 13,041 | GIVEN      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY     | ALLISON 1 | HORLOCK   | MURRAY o   | BEAUCHAMP o | DIGBY         |
| 7,678  | GIVEN      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY 1   | ALLISON   | HORLOCK   | MURRAY o   | BEAUCHAMP   | DIGBY         |
| 8,687  | TALIA      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY     | ALLISON 1 | HORLOCK   | MURRAY     | GOODEN o    | DIGBY         |
| 8,203  | TALIA      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON 1 | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY 1   | ALLISON 1 | HORLOCK 1 | GOODEN o   | BEAUCHAMP o | DIGBY         |
| 7,205  | TALIA      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR 1 | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY     | MURRAY    | HORLOCK 3 | GOODEN o   | BEAUCHAMP   | DIGBY         |
| 14,740 | DIGBY      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY 1   | ALLISON 1 | HORLOCK   | THORNE P   | MURRAY      | GOODEN o      |
| 8,473  | TALIA      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY     | ALLISON   | HORLOCK   | GOODEN o 1 | THORNE P o  | DIGBY         |
| 4,296  | TALIA      | CULVERHOUSE | HORLOCK  | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | THORNE P 1 | ALLISON 2 | GOODEN    | FINNEY     | BODIN       | DIGBY         |
| 10,924 | DIGBY      | CULVERHOUSE | BODIN    | McMAHON | SEAGRAVES | TAYLOR   | ROBINSON   | O'SULLIVAN | FINNEY     | ALLISON   | HORLOCK   | GOODEN     | HOOPER      | MURRAY        |

## 1st Award for Steve



Many congratulations to Steve McMahon who this afternoon receives his first managerial award when he is presented with the Endsleigh League Division 2 Manager of the Month Award for August/September by Jack Taylor of the Football League and Martin Davenport a Senior Executive from Endsleigh Insurance.



During the first two months of the new campaign Swindon Town have played ten League games, winning seven, drawing two with just one defeat - that at Wrexham last week in the seven goal thriller at The Racecourse Ground. We have scored 21 goals and conceded just eight - four of those came last week!

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# Team Sheet



## Swindon Town

|    |                  |
|----|------------------|
| 1  | Fraser Digby     |
| 2  | Ian Culverhouse  |
| 3  | Paul Bodin       |
| 4  | Steve McMahon    |
| 5  | Mark Seagraves   |
| 6  | Shaun Taylor     |
| 7  | Mark Robinson    |
| 8  | Wayne O'Sullivan |
| 9  | Steve Finney     |
| 10 | Wayne Allison    |
| 11 | Kevin Horlock    |
| 12 | Ty Gooden        |
| 13 | Dean Hooper      |
| 14 | Edwin Murray     |

### Team Changes

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## Bristol City

|    |                  |
|----|------------------|
| 1  | Sieb Dykstra     |
| 2  | Vegard Hansen    |
| 3  | Robert Edwards   |
| 4  | Richard Dryden   |
| 5  | Matthew Bryant   |
| 6  | Martin Kuhl      |
| 7  | Junior Bent      |
| 8  | Gary Owers       |
| 9  | Kevin Nugent     |
| 10 | Scott Patterson  |
| 11 | Phillip Starbuck |
| 12 | Stuart Munro     |
| 13 | David Seal       |
| 14 | Matthew Hewlett  |

### Team Changes

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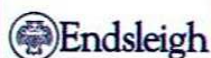
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- Linesman (red/yellow flag):**  
P. Walton (West Haddon, Northamptonshire)
- Lineswoman (yellow flag):**  
W. Toms (Poole, Dorset)
- Reserve Official:**  
A. Hunt (Chippenham, Wiltshire)



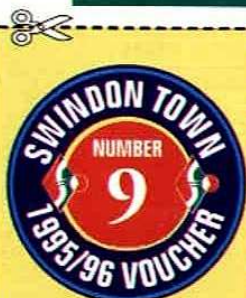
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