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travelled to Swindon and lost 0-3. Although we didn't help ourselves by giving away silly goals, the home side definitely deserved to beat us on the day.

Last week at Rotherham, the pattern of the match followed that of so many this season. We start with a below par first half before improving in the second, often giving ourselves too much to do. Thankfully, this time we were able to claw back the two goals, and possibly deserved to win the match, with Rob Matthews missing a late chance.

In the Cup game here on Tuesday, I was very disappointed with the approach of Notts County. They played five at the back and for a team as good as theirs, seemed to lack the will to win. From our point of view, it was an excellent victory. Following Burnley's exit last Saturday, County must have been favourites for the competition, so it was a good result. I felt we got stronger as the game

Alan Little

Today's game is obviously a very difficult one for us against a side, who I believe are the best in the Division. Back in

August we

progressed and it was a smashing build up for Darren Williams' first senior goal for the Club, which eventually won us the game.

One of the most impressive players over these last two matches has been Paddy Atkinson. Having been with us for a couple of months now on trial, Paddy has now signed a full time contract here which will run to the end of 1996/97. As I have said before, we are always on the look out for players to bolster the squad and keep competition fierce in every position. With the departure of Paul Wilson earlier in the season and the progression of Wayne Osborne as a centre-half rather than left back, we were a little short on cover for Wayne Hall.

The draw was made on Wednesday for the next round of the Auto Windscreens Shield and we have been drawn away to Rotherham. Whilst we would have preferred a home tie, there is certainly nothing to be afraid of. We showed in the second half last Saturday that we can beat the Millers, we just have to make sure we don't start in the same way.

Back to today though and I extend a warm welcome to Steve McMahon and everybody associated with Swindon for what should be an interesting encounter.

Alan Little

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

A warm welcome to this afternoon's visitors **Swindon Town** for the first home League game of 1996. The Robins are enjoying a great season, following last year's relegation and have been in the top two all term. City will have to beware as Swindon's away record is actually better than their home one, with too many draws affecting their progress at the County Ground.



The player/manager of the 'Robins' is the former Liverpool midfield dynamo, **Steve McMahon**, who was appointed just over a year ago. Made his League debut for Everton in August 1980 before a £300,000 move to Villa in 1983. Two years later he became Kenny Dalglish's first signing as Liverpool manager when he moved to Anfield for £375,000. He spent six years with the Reds winning numerous trophies and seventeen England caps. He moved to Manchester City in December 1991 for £900,000 before joining Swindon. Steve's right hand man is **Andy Rowland**, began his career at Derby, moving to Bury and finally Swindon. Having finished his playing days at the County Ground, Rowland was appointed Reserve Team Manager in 1985/86 and became First Team Coach in 1994/95.

Goalkeeper **Fraser Digby** has made over 400 appearances for the club having started his career at Manchester United. Never made the first team at Old Trafford, but spent time on loan at Oldham Athletic and Swindon before making a

permanent move in September 1986. Returned to United for a loan spell in 1992/93.

Understudy is Australian **Frank Talia**. Blackburn Rovers signed Frank from Sunshine George Cross in August 1992 and he spent some time on loan at Hartlepool that season, making fifteen appearances. Unable to break into the first team at Ewood, Talia signed for Swindon in November 1995 having spent one month on loan there earlier in the season.

Ian Culverhouse was signed from Norwich city just over a year ago for a tribunal fee of £250,000. Ian is a former apprentice of Spurs, making only one full appearance however, before moving to the Canaries in October 1985 for £50,000. He has played at full back and sweeper so far this season. **Jason Drysdale** is a former England Youth International who signed for Swindon in March 1995 for a fee of £340,000 from Newcastle United. He began his career at Watford, signing pro in 1988 and going on to make 160 appearances for the Hornets. Left Vicarage Road for St. James' Park in August 1994 but was unable to command a first team place.

Another signing from the Magpies is defender **Mark Robinson** for what was then a Swindon record of £600,000. Was an apprentice at West Brom, but after playing in the first team, surprisingly wasn't offered a contract. He moved to Barnsley and became a first team regular in 1989. Four years later Newcastle paid £450,000 for his services but injury problems and the large squad prevented Mark

from making the first team. He moved to the County Ground in July 1994.

Experience is a big factor in the Swindon defence with **Mark Seagraves**, **Paul Bodin** and **Shaun Taylor** all figuring prominently. Seagraves is a big strong centre half who signed from Bolton Wanderers for £100,000 in June 1995. A former Liverpool apprentice (one of his only two appearances for the Reds came here at York in the FA Cup Fifth Round), he had a loan spell at Norwich before joining Manchester City in 1986 and then Bolton in 1990. Paul Bodin, arguably Swindon's best known player and now in his second spell at the County Ground was initially signed from Newport County in March 1988. A Welsh International, he was transferred to Crystal Palace for £550,000 but was unable to command a first team place and only ten months later returned to the County Ground. Paul scored a rather fortuitous second goal in the recent victory over Woking. Shaun Taylor has been ever present for the last two seasons. This excellent centre half was signed from Exeter for £200,000 in July 1991. He has just signed a new contract keeping him at Swindon until 1997.

Following a recent injury to Paul Bodin, **Edwin Murray** was able to break into the first eleven. He first arrived at Swindon in 1988 as an Associated Schoolboy before signing as a professional in 1991. Another full back on the clubs books is the impressive **Wayne O'Sullivan**. A former trainee with the club, he made his League debut as substitute in the first game of 1994/95. Has since progressed and become a regular first team member and was selected for Eire U-21 in October.





Another capped player is Northern Ireland full and U-21 international **Kevin Horlock**. He was signed from West Ham on a free transfer in the summer of 1992 and made his League debut in the 3-1 defeat at Portsmouth that year.

The midfield of Swindon revolves around two very experienced top-level players, player/manager Steve McMahon and **Paul Allen**. Paul was signed by Town on a free transfer in October, having been released by Southampton. He started as an apprentice in August 1979 and went on to make 197 starts, scoring eleven goals. In June 1985 a £400,000 transfer took him to Spurs where he made 377 appearances. In September 1993, he transferred to Southampton for £550,000, but the departure of manager Ian Branfoot meant that Paul was only to make forty-three appearances for the Saints. During his time at the Dell, Paul also went on loan to Luton Town and Stoke City. He is an England B, U-21 and Youth International.

Martin Ling is currently in his second spell at Swindon following his £15,000 move from Southend United. A former Exeter City apprentice, he initially signed for £25,000 in July 1986 but three months later he left for Southend, where he made 138 League appearances. **Lee Collins** is another midfielder man, who signed in November 1995 for a fee of £15,000 from Scottish Third Division side Albion Rovers. He made his debut in the surprising AWS defeat by Hereford in late December. **Ty Gooden** was released by Wycombe Wanderers at the end of 1992/93. He subsequently had a trial at the County Ground, and was signed by John Gorman in December 1993. He made his Premiership debut for Town in a draw against West Ham in 1994.

Lee Middleton is a quality passer of the ball signed by Swindon having been released by Coventry in July 1992. Has yet to make his League debut, with progress being hampered by a broken leg.

Dean Hooper, Jamie Pitman and Ben Worrall are all in the early stages of their Football League careers. Pitman and Worrall have both only just turned twenty and were regulars in the reserve side throughout 1994/95. Their excellent progress was rewarded, with both making their debuts against Portsmouth in April last year. The two players have both come through the ranks following periods as YTS lads. Dean Hooper is a few years older and was signed from non-League Hayes in March 1995 for an initial fee of £15,000. All three players ply their footballing trade in the midfield. The regular, and very fruitful strike partnership this season has been **Wayne Allison** and **Steve Finney**. A Football League tribunal decided Town should pay Bristol City £475,000 for Allison's signature in July 1995. Wayne began his career at Halifax Town for whom he once scored an excellent brace of goals here at Bootham Crescent, in a 3-5 reverse for the Shaymen. £250,000 then took him to Watford before, a year later, Bristol City paid £300,000 for his services. He was top scorer at Ashton Gate in 1994/95. Wayne slid home the opening goal against Woking last Saturday. Steve Finney was signed on a free transfer last

summer from Manchester City, having known Steve McMahon from his time there. An injury to **Peter Thorne** gave Finney his chance in the first team which he has grasped with both hands. Thorne was signed from Blackburn for an undisclosed fee a year ago. Started as a trainee at Blackburn in 1989 before signing pro-forms in 1991. First team opportunities were obviously limited with the likes of Shearer, Newell and Sutton at the club so the Swindon move was a great chance for first team football.

Another striker at the club is former Wolves stalwart **Andy Mutch**. He signed for Swindon from Molineux in 1993 following a prolific partnership with Steve Bull in which he contributed a fine ninety-seven goals in 289 League games. Andy was put on the transfer list in April 1995. Three other professionals at the club, all still to make their first team debuts are **Jonathon Hollway, Gary Thorne and Jamie Laidlaw**.

Formed in 1879 **Swindon Town** operated in the Southern League until their election to the newly formed Third Division of the Football League in 1920. Whilst a non-League club they twice reached the semi-finals of the FA Cup - 1910 and 1912.

They were continuous members of the Third Division until 1963 and then over the next twenty three years had two spells in the old Second Division (1963-65 and 1969-74) plus a period in the Fourth (1982-86). Champions of that Division in 1985/86 they won promotion to the Second the following season and in May 1993 won their way to the Premier League via the play offs. Their stay at the top level was, however, to be the shortest possible and last season they again suffered relegation.

They won the FL Cup as a Third Division club in 1968/69 when they beat Arsenal at Wembley and last season reached the semi-final of the competition losing at that stage to Bolton Wanderers. In 1970 they won the Anglo Italian Cup.

City v Swindon Town Lookback

The Wiltshire club are making their first visit to Bootham Crescent since March 1987 and the record of past League results is as follows:

	Home	Div	Away	
1959/60	W 1-0	3	1-1	D
1965/66	L 0-2	3	0-6	L
1976/77	W 4-2	3	1-5	L
1982/83	D 0-0	4	2-3	L
1983/84	W 2-0	4	2-3	L
1986/87	L 0-3	3	1-3	L
1995/96		2	0-3	L

The clubs first met at Bootham Crescent on 23rd January 1960 when 6,031 saw City win thanks to a Colin Addison goal. In Town's side that day were Walter Bingley and Jack Fountain who the following season moved to City. Earlier that campaign a Norman Wilkinson header earned a point in a 1-1 draw at the County Ground. City have lost on their six subsequent trips to Swindon, conceding twenty three goals. The heaviest reverse was in October 1965, when Don Rogers hit a hat trick and John Trollope, Dennis Brown and Jimmy Lawton also scored in Town's six goal victory.

Town completed a double that term having won at Bootham Crescent thanks to goals from Rogers and Brown. Joe Neenan made his debut in goal in the 4-2 win in April 1977. Scorers that day were Chris Galvin, Jim Hinch, Brian Pollard and George Hope. City's other success in the series was in March 1984 when in a Saturday morning game, which avoided a clash with York RLFC's cup semi final appearance against Wigan, they won 2-0. Under atrocious weather conditions a crowd of 3,341 saw Keith Walwyn and Gary Ford score the goals which kept City clear at the top of the Fourth Division. In goal for Town was Scott Endersby, later to join City. The goalless draw in March 1983 ended a run of thirteen successive home League and Cup wins and the first time City had failed to score at Bootham Crescent in thirty one matches dating back to February 1982.

Last Time We Met At Bootham Crescent

3rd March 1987 Attendance: 2,561
City 0 Town 3

City: Leaning, Senior, Pearce, Sbragia, Whitehead, Haslegrave, Ford, Banton, Walwyn, Mills, Canham.

Town: Digby, King, Hockaday, Coyne, Parkin, Calderwood, Bamber (Jones), Kamara, Quinn, White, Barnard.

Scorers: Quinn (7 and 29 mins), Bamber (86 mins).

Players who have appeared for both clubs include Sam Johnson, who was reserve team trainer at York for many years, Jack Fountain, Walter Bingley, Chris Jones and Scott Endersby.

I. G. CRUIKSHANKS (Hartlepool)

A late replacement as today's man in the middle, is Ian Cruikshanks. He commenced his refereeing career in local Leagues around the Hartlepool area in 1972, before progressing through the Vaux Wearside League. Moved on to the Northern League, and the Football League Linesmen's List, before, in 1989, being promoted to the Football League Referees list.

Mr Cruikshanks enjoys most sports, especially football and cricket. He also enjoys reading.

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second glance

Five Second Division clubs have won their way into the Fourth Round of the FA Cup and three others will be involved in replays next week. Congratulations to Brentford and Crewe Alexandra who beat First Division opposition. The Bees, without an away win in the League this term, were successful at Norwich 2-1 and Alexandra were involved in a 4-3 thriller at home to West Bromwich Albion. In the all Second Division clash at London Road, Peterborough United notched the only goal of the game against Wrexham and a Kenny Wilson goal eased Walsall through at the expense of Wigan Athletic. At the County Ground, Swindon beat off the challenge of non-League Woking with Wayne Allison and Paul Bodin on the mark. Stockport County put up a tremendous performance to hold the cup holders Everton to a 2-2 draw at Goodison Park. Former City player Ian Helliwell headed their second equaliser. Oxford United fought out a 3-3 draw at Millwall with Bobby Ford hitting a last minute equaliser. Shrewsbury Town drew at Fulham and their reward, if they win the replay at Gay Meadow, will be a home tie against Liverpool. At Valley Parade, Bradford City went down 3-0 to Bolton, and Notts County after a brave effort lost at home to Middlesbrough 2-1. Blackpool took an early lead at Huddersfield through James Quinn only for Town to hit back with Ronnie Jepson scoring twice.

David Batters

The draw for the Fourth Round involving Second Division clubs is as follows:

Southampton v **Crewe Alexandra**
Fulham or **Shrewsbury Town** v Liverpool
Charlton Athletic v **Brentford**
Swindon Town v Barnsley or Oldham Athletic
Huddersfield Town v **Peterborough United**
Everton or **Stockport County** v Crystal Palace or Port Vale
Ipswich Town or Blackburn Rovers v **Walsall**
Stoke City or Nottingham Forest v Millwall or **Oxford United**
Lifelong Peterborough United supporter, Malcolm Clarke, had more reason than most to rejoice following his side's 6-1 demolition of City in the Second Division of the Endsleigh Insurance League. The London Road club's official vehicle supplier, Cooks Garage, announced at the start of the season that should Peterborough score six goals in any match at home this season, they would give away a brand new VW Golf worth £10,000. They confirmed that the lucky winner of the car would be the holder of the matchday programme with a Cooks Garage stamp on the inside cover. Malcolm Clarke struck it lucky after buying the specially marked programme. Cooks' Managing Director, Keith Rose, handed over the keys to Mr Clarke and confirmed that another VW Golf will be given away if the

Posh repeat their six goal feat at home in the Endsleigh Insurance League before the end of the season. Posh Commercial Director, Michael Vincent, commented: "This has been one of the most successful programme promotions for the club, with sales showing an 18% increase."

Here is an up to date list of the Second Division Managers.

AFC Bournemouth: Mel Machin.
Blackpool: Sam Allardyce.
Bradford City: Chris Kamara.
Brentford: David Webb.
Brighton & HA: Jimmy Case.
Bristol City: Joe Jordan.
Bristol Rovers: John Ward.
Burnley: Jimmy Mullen.
Carlisle United: Mick Wadsworth (Director of Football).
Chesterfield: John Duncan.
Crewe Alexandra: Dario Gradi.
Hull City: Terry Dolan.
Notts County: Steve Thompson.
Oxford United: Denis Smith.
Peterborough United: Mick Halsall.
Rotherham United: Archie Gemmill/John McGovern.
Shrewsbury Town: Fred Davies.
Stockport County: David Jones.
Swansea City: Jimmy Rimmer (Caretaker).
Swindon Town: Steve McMahon.
Walsall: Chris Nicholl.
Wrexham: Brian Flynn.
Wycombe Wanderers: Alan Smith.
CITY: Alan Little.

Today's Fixtures

Bradford City v Brighton & HA
Bristol City v Crewe Alexandra
Burnley v Stockport County
Carlisle United v Chesterfield
Hull City v Rotherham United
Oxford United v Brentford
Peterborough United v AFC Bournemouth
Swansea City v Bristol Rovers
Walsall v Shrewsbury Town
Wrexham v Blackpool
Wycombe Wanderers v Notts County
CITY v Swindon Town

Leading Scorers (League/Cup)

BARNES (CITY) 21
Nogan (Burnley) 20
Goater (Rotherham Utd) 18
Finney (Swindon Town) 15
Stewart (Bristol Rovers) 15
White (Notts County) 15
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The draw for the Auto Windscreens Shield Area Semi-Finals is as follows:

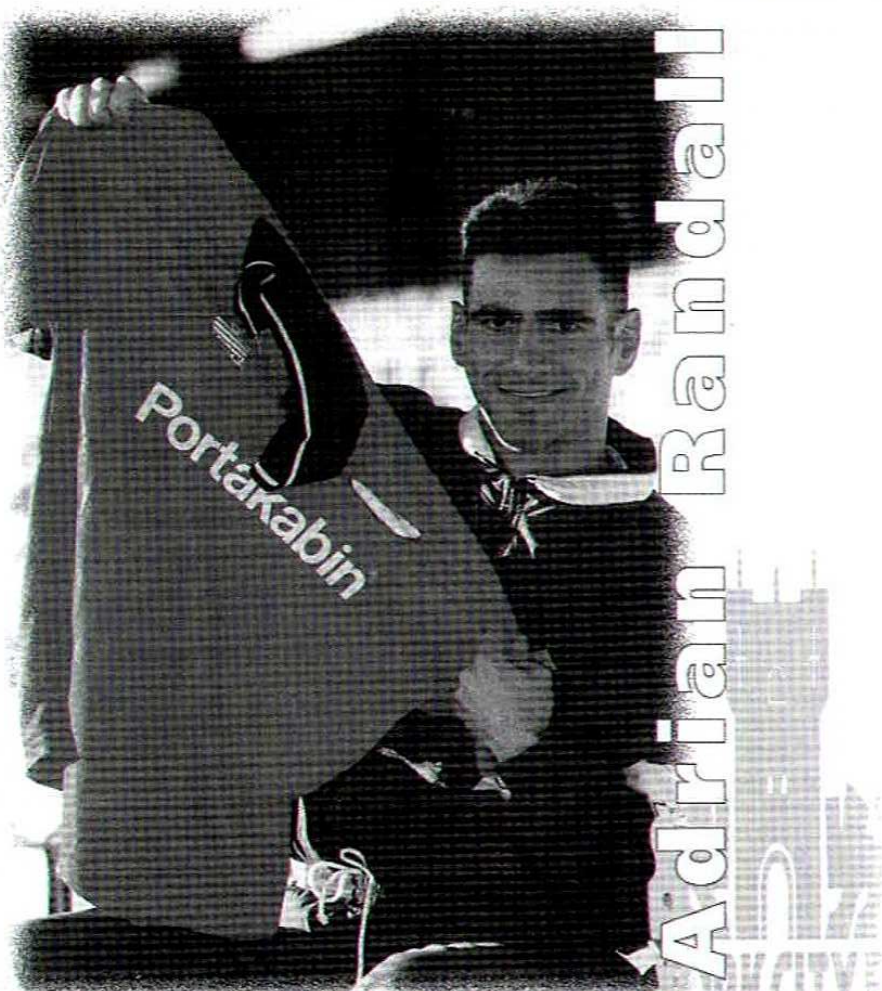
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Carlisle United v Chesterfield
Southern Section
Shrewsbury Town v Hereford Utd
Peterborough Utd v Bristol Rovers

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Crewe	22	8	2	1	24	10	5	3	3	18	13	44	
Swindon	22	5	5	1	16	7	7	3	1	20	8	44	
Blackpool	22	6	2	2	17	9	5	4	3	17	14	39	
Notts County	21	6	2	3	19	11	5	4	1	14	7	39	
Shrewsbury	24	6	2	4	19	13	5	2	5	15	17	37	
Chesterfield	22	7	3	1	22	9	3	3	5	12	15	36	
Burnley	22	6	5	1	22	12	3	3	4	13	15	35	
Wrexham	22	6	4	1	24	13	2	6	3	10	12	34	
Bradford	22	7	2	2	18	13	3	2	6	14	20	34	
Wycombe	22	4	6	1	14	10	4	4	3	16	12	34	
Stockport	23	3	6	2	12	9	5	3	4	16	13	33	
Bournemouth	24	7	3	3	18	14	2	2	7	7	17	32	
Oxford United	22	8	1	2	22	9	0	6	5	7	14	31	
Bristol Rovers	23	4	2	6	14	20	4	4	3	11	13	30	
Walsall	22	3	6	2	14	11	4	2	5	10	7	29	
Bristol City	23	4	4	3	10	8	2	5	5	12	22	27	
Peterborough	22	5	3	3	17	10	1	5	5	11	22	26	
Carlisle	24	4	4	3	15	11	1	4	8	14	27	23	
YORK CITY	22	3	3	5	12	15	3	1	7	13	22	22	
Rotherham	23	5	4	3	19	15	0	3	8	6	23	22	
Brentford	22	5	1	5	10	10	0	5	6	8	19	21	
Swansea	22	3	5	3	14	13	1	3	7	8	23	20	
Brighton	23	3	3	6	11	17	2	1	8	8	20	19	
Hull	22	1	4	5	10	18	1	4	7	7	18	14	

(Up to and including 6/1/96)

1. Which club plays at Millmoor?
2. Peter Beardsley began his career at which League club?
3. Which club is known as the Baggies?
4. From which club did City sign keeper Chris Marples?
5. Who is manager of Glasgow Celtic?
6. Singer Alison Moyet is a supporter of which League club?
7. In which season were City promoted for the first time?
8. In which season did New Brighton lose Football League status?
9. Who is chairman of Leyton Orient?
10. How many points did Swindon Town achieve, when breaking City's record of 101 League points, in 1985/86?

1. Rotherham United.
2. Carlisle United.
3. West Bromwich Albion.
4. Stockport County.
5. Tommy Burns.
6. Southend United.
7. 1958/59.
8. 1950/51.
9. Barry Hearn.
10. 102 points.



This afternoon will provide the first opportunity for most City fans to see new record signing Adrian Randall. He is a former England Youth International and was an apprentice at Bournemouth before signing professional at Dean Court. Adrian then spent three months on loan at Aldershot before signing on a permanent basis in December 1988. Almost exactly three years later Burnley came in for him and paid out a £50,000 fee to secure his services. Adrian spent four good years at Turf Moor, establishing himself as a real crowd favourite. Last season, with Burnley struggling in the First Division, Randall was named Player of the Year.

Now of course, City have broken the transfer record to bring Adrian to Bootham Crescent for what we hope will be a long and successful time here.

I am sure we can call on all fans to be patient and give Adrian time to settle in, if he needs it, and give him all the vocal support to help make his York City career a happy one.

James Richardson

I am sure York City Supporters will be interested in a 'phone call I had recently from a Burnley Season Ticket holder.

The lady, who wishes to remain anonymous, other than to me, was devastated that Adrian would not be playing for Burnley again. She has no intention of going to Turf Moor anymore, in fact, she is coming to Bootham Crescent instead. (I did ask if she could bring a few hundred others with her!)

Apparently, Burnley FC is experiencing the same upset as all clubs do when they sell a crowd favourite. I told the lady that York City Football Club and its Supporters are the best in football and that we would very quickly make Adrian feel at home here.

This really was of no consolation. It would appear that Burnley's loss is certainly York City's gain.

Maureen Leslie





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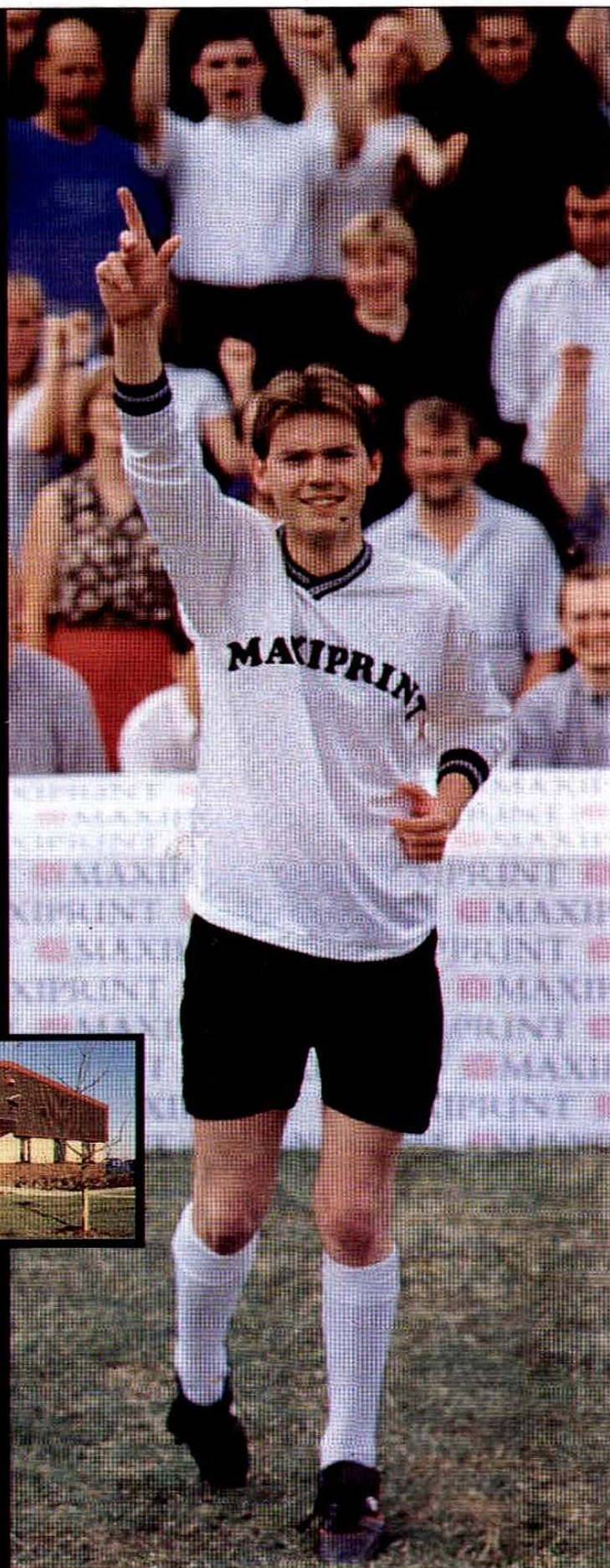
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where are they now...

Featured today is another former goalkeeper **BOB FERGUSON** who made most of his appearances for the club during the Second World War.

Born in Darlington in 1917 Bob was spotted by Middlesbrough playing in junior football and joined the Ayresome Park club as a seventeen year old. He made his Football League debut at the start of the 1936/37 season in a First Division home game against Manchester City who had the legendary Frank Swift in goal. Boro won 2-0 and Bob earned much praise as he kept his place for a few matches and the side went top of the table. He remembers trips to Portsmouth and Stoke City, who had the great Stanley Matthews in their line-up and other matches included Chelsea and Grimsby Town. These two sides had experienced keepers Vic Woodley and George Tweedy whom Bob much admired. "On reflection the first team chance just came a little too soon for me and when Middlesbrough signed Scottish International keeper Dave Cumming I stepped back down to the reserves".

Bob was saddened last year when Middlesbrough left Ayresome Park. "I have many happy memories of the old ground and it was a marvellous playing surface."

In the summer of 1939 after making a total of ten League appearances for Boro he was signed by manager Tom Mitchell for City. He played in the opening three games of the 1939/40 campaign and remembers well the last match to be played before the outbreak of war when the side went down to a late goal at Rochdale. Like most of his contemporaries the war years were to take a big slice out of his career but he was to play regularly for the club between 1939 and 1945 and made well over 100 appearances in the various wartime competitions. "There was a lot of good football played during this period and at York, with a number of guest players, we assembled a fine side." Those he recalls were Bert "Sailor" Brown (Charlton Athletic), Frank O'Donnell (Aston Villa), Joe Wilson (Reading) and Dixie Dean of Everton and England fame who made one appearance in City colours. "One of the most talented players was local lad Gordon Jones who was a fine left back. Sadly he died from illness at an early age."

For a couple of years City had the services of Sam Bartram of Charlton who was rated as the best uncapped keeper in the country. "Although during this period I had to play second fiddle there was no animosity between me and Sam and we were very good friends." In 1945/46 City had an FA Cup run and he recalls a thrilling Third Round match at Bootham Crescent when Chesterfield, then a leading club, were beaten 3-2 with local lad Ian Winters scoring twice. Bob played in the first peacetime season for the club and a match at Rochdale that term which springs to mind was one in which he saved two penalties and City won 1-0.

He moved to top Midland League side Peterborough United in 1947 and thoroughly enjoyed his three years at London Road.

"We played in front of big crowds and there was a good deal of enthusiasm at the club who were eventually, of course, to gain League status. The travelling became a problem, however, as I continued to live in York and my next move was to Goole Town. After three seasons there a collar bone injury ended my footballing career."

An all round sportsman Bob admits to cricket as being his first love. He was a very good wicketkeeper/batsman and played as a professional with Bankfoot in the Bradford League for fifteen seasons. During this time he played against a number of Test and County stars including Learie Constantine,



George Pope, Arthur Booth and Ray Illingworth. Locally he played for Dringhouses in the York Evening League and still holds the record score in that competition. After leaving Bankfoot he played in the York Senior League for Woodhouse Grange before finishing his cricketing days in his late 40's. Before the war he had played for County Durham a couple of times and but for the outbreak of hostilities, could possibly have joined Warwickshire. He played table tennis in the York League for many years and then in later life took up bowls along with his wife Vera. In July they will celebrate their fifty-fifth Wedding Anniversary and have a son and two grandsons and have lived in York all their married life.

Vera represented Yorkshire for many years at bowls and in 1977 was the County's Ladies Singles Champion. She and Bob have won many trophies over the years and still play regularly both indoor and outdoor. A good friend who is also a keen bowler is former City centre forward Alf Patrick. Bob and Vera also enjoy playing whist and like to holiday abroad.

Bob was a part-timer throughout his footballing days and spent nearly all his working life with Cooke, Troughton and Sims (Vickers Instruments) retiring as a toolroom foreman.

A very fit and active seventy eight year old, he looks back with happiness on a full and enjoyable sporting life. He still closely follows soccer and cricket chiefly on television and he does get to the occasional City game. "Players do not seem to get the same enjoyment nowadays - perhaps it is the money and extra pressure but I don't see many smiling faces. There are also too many yellow and red cards and referees do not appear to have the same rapport that they had with players in my day. Goalkeepers are now very much a protected species. There was many a time I finished up in the back of the net - all part and parcel of the game then!"

David Batters



**Bob and Vera
on their Golden Wedding
Anniversary**

recollections

The north wind doth blow, and we shall have snow, but what will the robin do then – poor thing? This important question (posed by my son's nursery rhyme video) can now be answered, as when the north wind did blow and it indeed snowed, the team formerly known as the Robins did nothing much as most of their games were called off. So it was that the busy festive period saw only one City game played of the four scheduled, and some may say it was one too many as the lads literally slid to defeat against Bradford City in a game apparently refereed by Willie Thorne's twin brother!

The Christmas period can be a difficult time for all connected with programmes, whether it be from the aspect of a contributor, issuing club, or collecting dullard. A contributor faces printing deadlines prior to the holiday period of up to a fortnight before the games are due to be played, making reference to current affairs almost impossible. The usual pair of upcoming home games also means that several articles have to be penned in the pre-Yuletide spell which is already busy enough with shopping, wrapping and partying, and on top of all this there is always the distinct possibility that the fruits of your pen never see the light of day due to postponements! The club has to contend with similar problems, only manifold, and potentially incurs several thousand pounds of printing costs for issues covering games which do not actually take place on the scheduled date. This leads to the difficult choice between whether to take the unpopular but economically sensible decision to use these programmes with some kind of insert when the game is played or to completely reprint at a loss as, after all, who wants to read of seasonal greetings in March!

A collector's dilemma comes if a game falls victim to the weather, with it being almost certain that a programme has been produced. Should he make every attempt to obtain a copy in the knowledge that it may possibly re-appear with an insert several weeks later, or await the re-arranged match which may then have a whole new issue produced with the originals having been destroyed? Talk about 'Crisis at Christmas'!

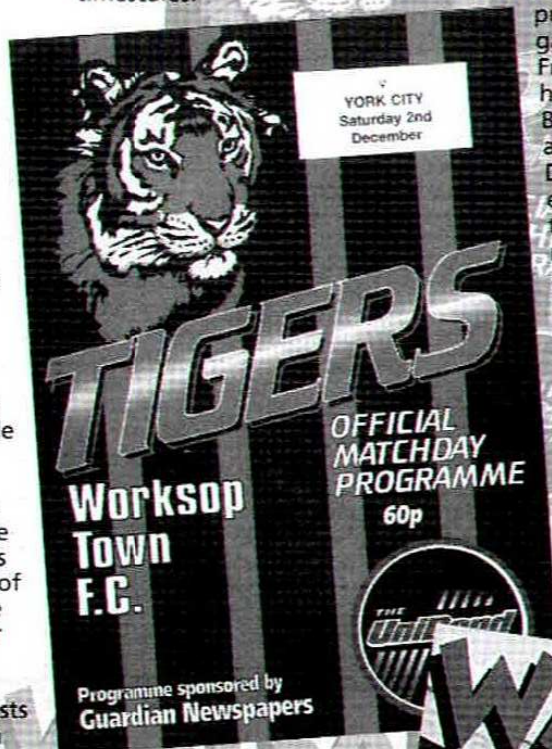
Happily, December saw two City away matches played despite the freeze, one of which was the hastily

arranged friendly game at Worksop Town on the first Saturday of the month. Unfortunately, recent tradition dictates that this date represents a blank day in the club's fixture list as it is reserved for FA Cup second round ties! Although given only a couple of working days notice the hosts still managed to produce what appears to be their normal twenty eight page programme costing 60p, and whilst it is a typical non-league issue in which advertising dominates its very appearance is a tremendous feat given the production timescales.

and is a fine effort on its own merits. The coverage of City is excellent and runs to around five pages, featuring up-to-date club news which even mentioned the previous week's 3-0 win at Worksop and a couple of novel features, 'Best Ever Season' (1973/74), and 'Great Names'. With a host of other reading, a good use of colour, relatively low advertising, and a far fresher appearance than its Gay Meadow counterpart this is well worth the relatively expensive outlay.

Programmes were definitely produced for the postponed games at Carlisle United on the Friday before Christmas, City's home encounter against Bournemouth on the 30th, and at Notts County on New Years Day. The Carlisle programme is excellent, costing £1.40 for thirty two glossy pages, although I will resist any further review until after the game is actually played, whilst the County issue is not yet to hand. No decision has been made so far regarding whether these programmes will be used on the re-arranged dates, but in any event each collector will have to decide whether to make the effort to obtain copies of these issues, the pros and cons of which were outlined earlier!

Enjoy the Match
Paul Bowser

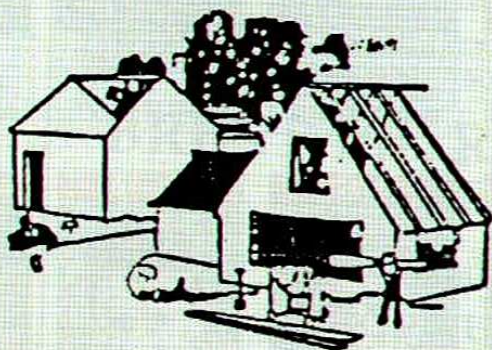


A warning of wintry times ahead came at the Bescot Stadium on 9th December when the Walsall groundsman employed a brazier to melt ice on the frosty pitch prior to the kick-off. Such determination by the home club to get the match on was fully vindicated as the Saddlers went on to win 2-0 in a game of two halves in which City were poor in both! The programme cost £1.50 for thirty two pages and comes from the same print 'stable' as the Shrewsbury issue, hence there are obvious similarities between the two offerings, although the Walsall variety is far superior



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But it's been a long time since they were in the top division, let alone taking a major trophy. Still, why should we spoil the dreams and aspirations of clubs who want to consider themselves to be 'sleeping giants'? Besides, it's better fun beating them isn't it?

Alastair Yeomans (Sports Editor, BBC Radio York)

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Second Division Fixtures - 1995/96 results, appearances, attendances, goalscorers



Day	Date	Venue (bold = home match)	Result	Pos	Attend	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sat	12 Aug	Brentford	D 2-2	-	3,239	Kiely	McMillan	Osborne	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Murty	Jordan
Tue	15 Aug	Rochdale Coca-Cola Cup 1(1)	L 1-2	-	1,390	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Oxley	Jordan
Sat	19 Aug	Swindon Town	L 0-3	16	7,746	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Oxley	Williams
Tue	22 Aug	Rochdale Coca-Cola Cup 1(2)	W 5-1	-	2,130	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper1	Tutill	Barras	Murty	Williams
Sat	26 Aug	Crewe Alexandra	L 2-3	21	3,880	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Atkin	Murty	Williams
Tue	29 Aug	Chesterfield	L 1-2	23	3,419	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper1	Tutill	Atkin	Murty	Williams
Sun	3 Sep	Oxford United	L 0-2	24	4,304	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Atkin	Murty	Williams
Sat	9 Sep	Bristol Rovers	L 0-1	24	4,047	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Murty	Williams
Tue	12 Sep	Burnley	D 1-1	24	4,684	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Murty	Williams
Sat	16 Sep	Swansea City	* W 1-0	23	2,422	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Murty	Williams
Wed	20 Sep	Manchester U. Coca-Cola Cup 2 (1)	W 3-0	-	29,049	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras1	Murty	Williams
Sat	23 Sep	Walsall	W 1-0	20	3,541	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Williams
Sat	30 Sep	Hull City	W 3-0	17	5,273	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Williams
Tue	3 Oct	Manchester U. Coca-Cola Cup 2 (2)	L 1-3	-	9,386	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Atkin	Williams
Sat	7 Oct	Wrexham	W 1-0	14	3,512	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras1	Matthews	Williams
Sat	14 Oct	Shrewsbury Town	L 1-2	17	2,827	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Pepper1	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Williams
Tue	17 Oct	Wrexham AWS - Prelim	L 0-1	-	1,411	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Murty	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Williams
Sat	21 Oct	Bristol City	L 0-1	18	3,367	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Jordan	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Williams
Wed	25 Oct	Q.P.R. Coca-Cola Cup 3	L 1-3	-	12,972	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Jordan	Tutill	Barras	Bushell	Williams
Sat	28 Oct	Peterborough United	L 1-6	20	4,605	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Jordan	Tutill	Atkin	Bushell	Williams
Tue	31 Oct	Wycombe Wanderers	L 1-2	21	4,038	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Bushell
Sat	4 Nov	Stockport County	D 2-2	20	3,101	Warrington	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Bushell
Tue	7 Nov	Manfield AWS - Prelim	W 1-0	-	1,571	Warrington	McMillan	Osborne	Pepper	Tutill	Barras1	Matthews	Bushell
Sun	12 Nov	Notts County FA Cup 1st Round	L 0-1	-	4,228	Warrington	McMillan	Osborne	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Jordan
Sat	18 Nov	Blackpool	W 3-1	18	4,514	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews1	Jordan
Sat	25 Nov	Brighton & Hove Albion	W 3-1	16	3,105	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Jordan
Tue	28 Nov	Scunthorpe United AWS 1	W 3-0	-	1,734	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Jordan
Sat	9 Dec	Walsall	L 0-2	18	3,193	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Barras	Matthews	Jordan
Sat	16 Dec	Hull City	L 0-1	19	3,593	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Atkin	Murty	Bushell
Tue	26 Dec	Bradford City	L 0-3	19	5,213	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Atkin	Murty	Bushell
Sat	6 Jan	Rotherham United	D 2-2	19	2,695	Kiely	McMillan	Hall	Pepper	Tutill	Atkin	Murty	Randall
Tue	9 Jan	Notts County AWS 2	W 1-0	-	2,075	Kiely	McMillan	Atkinson	Bushell	Tutill	Atkin	Murty	Williams1
Sat	13 Jan	Swindon Town											
Sat	20 Jan	Brentford											
Sat	27 Jan	Chesterfield											
Tue	30 Jan	Rotherham Utd AWS - Area Semi-Final											
Sat	3 Feb	Crewe Alexandra											
Tue	6 Feb	Carlisle United 7.45pm											
Sat	10 Feb	Rotherham United											
Sat	17 Feb	Burnley											
Tue	20 Feb	Oxford United											
Sat	24 Feb	Swansea City											
Tue	27 Feb	Bristol Rovers											
Sat	2 Mar	Bradford City											
Sat	9 Mar	Carlisle United											
Sat	16 Mar	A.F.C. Bournemouth											
Sat	23 Mar	Notts County											
Tue	26 Mar	A.F.C. Bournemouth											
Sat	30 Mar	Wrexham											
Tue	2 Apr	Shrewsbury Town											
Sat	6 Apr	Peterborough United											
Mon	8 Apr	Bristol City											
Sat	13 Apr	Wycombe Wanderers											
Sat	20 Apr	Stockport County											
Sat	27 Apr	Brighton & Hove Albion											
Sat	4 May	Blackpool											
Mon	1 Jan	Notts County TBA											
Sat	11 May	FA Cup Final											

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Oxley	Jordan	Barnes	Baker1	Stephenson	Williams (8)	Atkin	Peverell
Oxley	Williams	Barnes	Baker	Stephenson	Murty(7)	Jordan	Atkin
Murty	Williams	Barnes2	Baker1	Stephenson	Atkin(6)	Jordan(11)	Peverell(10)
Murty	Williams	Barnes1	Baker1	Stephenson	Jordan	Peverell	Osborne
Murty	Williams	Barnes	Baker	Stephenson	Jordan(4)	Peverell(8)	Osborne (3)
Murty	Williams	Barnes	Baker	Peverell	Jordan(8)	Naylor (10)	Warrington
Murty	Williams	Barnes	Baker	Peverell	Matthews(10)	Atkin(6)	Jordan
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Atkin	Williams	Barnes	Peverell	Jordan1	Baker(9)	Naylor(10)	Oxley
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Matthews	Williams	Barnes	Peverell	Jordan	Murty(10)	Baker(11)	Atkin
Matthews	Williams	Barnes	Baker	Jordan	Bushell(11)	Peverell	Atkin
Matthews	Williams	Barnes	Peverell	Murty	Bushell(4)	Baker(7)	Atkin
Bushell	Williams	Barnes1	Peverell	Murty	Atkin(6)	Osborne	Cresswell
Bushell	Williams	Barnes	Peverell	Murty	Matthews(10)	Pepper(8)	Baker(7)1
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Murty	Randall	Barnes2	Matthews	Stephenson	Atkinson(11)	Baker(3)	Bushell
Murty	Williams1	Barnes	Baker	Peverell	Jordan(11)	Pepper	Hall

appearances 1995/96

	League	Cup
Atkin	7+3	2+3
Atkinson	0+2	1
Baker	11+7	7+2
Barnes	22	10
Barras	15	9
Bushell	5+2	3+2
Curtis	0+1	0+2
Hall	21	7
Jordan	10+4	7+3
Kiely	16	5
McMillan	22	10
Matthews	14+3	4
Murty	13+3	5+1
Naylor	0+3	0+1
Osborne	1+1	2
Oxley	1	1
Pepper	20	7
Peverell	11+2	4+3
Randall	1	-
Scaife	0+1	-
Stephenson	10	3
Tutill	22	10
Warrington	6	5
Williams	14+1	8+1

Up to and incl, 9/1/96

goalscorers 1995/96

	League	Cup	Total
Barnes	14	7	21
Baker	5	2	7
Barras	1	2	3
Pepper	2	1	3
Peverell	1	1	2
Jordan	-	1	1
Matthews	1	-	1
Stephenson	-	1	1
Williams	-	1	1
Opponent	1	-	1
Total	25	16	41

Up to and incl, 9/1/96

league attendances 1995/96

Agg	Games	Ave
41,287	11	3,753

YORK CITY RESERVES Pontins League Division 2 fixtures - results

Wed	16	Aug	Leicester City	L 0-3
Mon	21	Aug	Aston Villa	L 0-3
Wed	30	Aug	Rotherham U	L 0-1
Wed	6	Sep	Huddersfield T	L 0-4
Wed	13	Sep	Burnley	L 1-4
Wed	27	Sep	Barnsley	W 6-2
Thur	5	Oct	Hull City	W 2-1
Mon	9	Oct	Preston North End	L 0-3
Wed	18	Oct	Burnley	L 0-5
Thur	26	Oct	Coventry City	L 1-3
Wed	1	Nov	Port Vale	L 1-5
Wed	8	Nov	Bradford City	D 1-1
Wed	15	Nov	Mansfield T	W 1-0
Wed	22	Nov	Port Vale	W 2-1
Wed	29	Nov	Manchester City	D 0-0
Wed	13	Dec	Barnsley	D 1-1
Wed	20	Dec	Sunderland	L 1-2
Wed	3	Jan	Middlesbrough	D 0-0
Wed	10	Jan	Blackpool	
Wed	17	Jan	Aston Villa	
Mon	22	Jan	Leicester City	
Wed	31	Jan	Huddersfield T	
Wed	7	Feb	Rotherham U	
Wed	14	Feb	Blackpool	
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Sat	12	Aug	Sheffield W	L 1-3
Sat	19	Aug	Hull City	D 0-0
Sat	26	Aug	Chesterfield	W 3-2
Sat	2	Sep	Middlesb'gh (Cup)	L 3-4
Sat	9	Sep	Darlington	W 3-1
Sat	16	Sep	Bradford City	W 1-0
Sat	23	Sep	Barnsley	L 2-3
Sat	30	Sep	Newcastle U	L 0-3
Sat	14	Oct	Rotherham U.	W 2-0
Sat	21	Oct	Leeds U	D 0-0
Sat	28	Oct	Hartlepool U	L 0-1
Sat	4	Nov	Huddersfield T	D 1-1
Sat	11	Nov	Doncaster R	D 3-3
Sat	25	Nov	Sheffield W	L 1-4
Sat	2	Dec	Hull City	L 0-1
Tue	5	Dec	Oldham	L 2-3
FA Youth Cup Round 2				
Sat	9	Dec	Chesterfield	W 11-0
Sat	16	Dec	Sheffield U	W 2-1
Sat	6	Jan	Barnsley	W 4-1
Sat	13	Jan	Newcastle U	
Sat	20	Jan	Middlesbrough	
Sat	27	Jan	Rotherham U	
Sat	3	Feb	Leeds United	
Sat	10	Feb	Hartlepool U	
Sat	17	Feb	Huddersfield T	
Sat	24	Feb	Doncaster R	
Sat	2	Mar	Sheffield U	
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40 Years Ago

Owing to a snow-covered pitch City's home game against Scunthorpe United on 14th January 1956 was postponed. Swindon Town travelled to Walsall and were beaten 4-0 at Fellows Park watched by 10,961. The defeat left the Wiltshire club three points adrift at the bottom of the Third Division South.

Manchester United beat Sheffield United 3-1 at Old Trafford and led the way in the First Division whilst Sheffield Wednesday came from two down to beat Doncaster Rovers 5-2 at Hillsborough to stay at the head of the Second. Grimsby Town's home match against Southport was postponed but the Mariners remained Northern Section leaders - City were ninth. Ipswich Town were at the top of the Southern Section and their latest win was 4-1 at home to QPR. Other interesting scorelines on that wintry day of forty years ago included:

First Division

Blackpool 6 Aston Villa 0

Cardiff City 4 Manchester City 1

Second Division

Middlesbrough 1 Bury 3

Third Division (North)

Derby County 4 Bradford City 1

Stockport County 7 Mansfield Town 2

Third Division (South)

Brighton & HA 5 Crystal Palace 0

Southend United 6 Exeter City 0

The following week City were back in action and figured in a 2-2 draw at Oldham. Within twenty minutes City led 2-0 with goals from Billy Hughes and Norman Wilkinson and shortly afterwards Jim Prescott hit a post. Athletic reduced their arrears from the penalty spot and then against the run of play equalised in the second half. The attendance at Boundary Park was 5,224 and the City team was: Forgan, Phillips, Howe, Brown, Stewart, Spence, Hughes, Prescott, Wilkinson, Storey, Colbridge. Arthur Bottom missed the game through suspension.

30 Years Ago

City plunged deeper into relegation trouble when they lost 4-1 at the Old Show Ground to Scunthorpe on a snow covered pitch watched by 3,507. City made a bright start and forced a number of early corners. Derek Weddle missed an easy chance and then against the run of play United opened the scoring in the seventeenth minute. Poor defending led to a second Scunthorpe goal but City continued to attack and did not deserve to be in arrears at the interval. Two early second half goals sunk City's hopes and only desperate defending kept the home side at bay. Near the end City gained a consolation goal when George Hamstead saw his shot deflected into the net by a United defender.

The game marked Eamonn Dunphy's last match for City and a few days later he was transferred to Millwall. The team lined up: Fallon, Baker, Wealthall, Woods, Jackson, Dunmore, Weddle, Dunphy, Aimson, Rudd, Hamstead.

City remained in twenty third position in the Third Division with fourteen points from twenty four games. Swindon Town won 3-2 at Peterborough and were seventh in the table. Leaders Millwall beat Shrewsbury Town 4-2 at the Den.

Liverpool were held at home by West Bromwich Albion but remained top of the First Division and Manchester City took over the Second Division leadership following Huddersfield's defeat at Wolverhampton. Tranmere Rovers stayed top of the Fourth although losing at home to Southport.

Other interesting scorelines that day (15th January, 1966) included:

First Division

Blackpool 2 Everton 0

Second Division

Coventry City 5 Plymouth A. 1

Rotherham United 3 Crystal P. 0

Third Division

Hull City 6 Workington 0

Queens Park R. 6 Swansea T. 2

Fourth Division

Crewe Alexandra 2 Luton T. 0

20 Years Ago



City suffered their seventh home defeat of the season when they lost to West Bromwich Albion 1-0. Making his debut that day (17th January, 1976) was Steve James, a central defender from Manchester United and he had a fine game. The only goal was netted by Alistair Brown in

the seventeenth minute and the visitors just had the edge in a keenly fought encounter. Former Leeds United player Johnny Giles generally controlled matters in midfield for Albion. The nearest to an equaliser was in the closing stages when Micky Cave's fierce shot from the edge of the penalty area was brilliantly saved by John Osborne. The attendance was 5,628 and watching the match was England Manager Don Revie, understood to be running the rule over Albion player Len Cantello.

City were second from bottom in the Second Division ahead of Portsmouth.

Swindon Town beat Port Vale at home 2-1 and were second from bottom in the Third.

Manchester United drew at Tottenham 1-1 to retain the First Division leadership and Sunderland's 2-1 win over Plymouth kept them at the top of the Second. Crystal Palace and Lincoln City were both held to draws but stayed top of the Third and Fourth Divisions respectively. Other scores of note included:

First Division

Burnley 1 Derby County 2

Second Division

Carlisle United 1 Notts County 2

Third Division

Brighton and Hove Albion 6

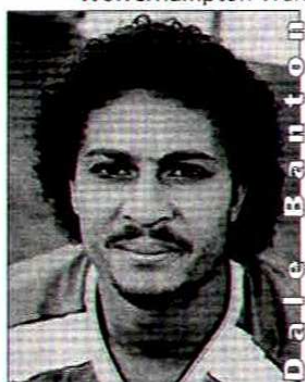
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Fourth Division

Doncaster Rovers 1 Watford 2

10 Years Ago

Wolverhampton Wanderers made



their first and to date only visit to Bootham Crescent on 11th January 1986. At the time they were bottom of the Third Division but City made hard work of beating them 2-1 in front of 4,290. In the first half City

dominated for long periods and Dale Banton scored twice in the twelfth and forty fourth minutes. Midway in the second period Wolves pulled a goal back and Andy Leaning had to make one outstanding save to prevent an equaliser. The win moved City up to tenth just three points behind third placed Gillingham.

The team was: Leaning, Senior, Hood, McAughtrie, MacPhail, Mills, Ford, Banton, Walwyn (Haslegrave), Houchen, Canham.

Swindon Town beat Southend at home 2-1 and were second in the Fourth Division. Manchester United won 3-1 at Oxford and were five points clear in the First Division and Norwich City went clear in the Second following a 2-0 home win over Middlesbrough. Reading drew at home to Cardiff City but were twenty points ahead of the Third and Chester were Fourth Division leaders.

Other scores included:

First Division

Everton 4 Queens Park Rangers 3

Second Division

Hull City 1 Bradford City 0

Shrewsbury Town 3 Barnsley 0

Sunderland 4 Leeds United 2

Third Division

Newport County 2 Bournemouth 1

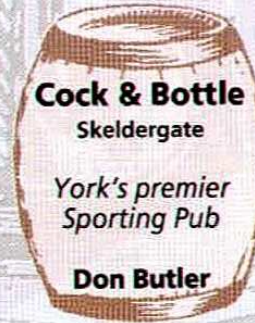
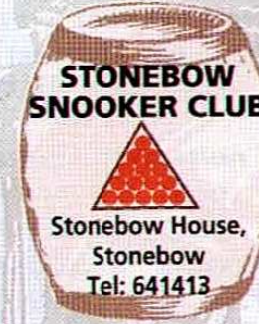
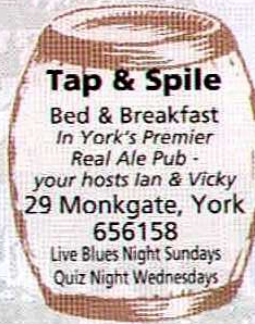
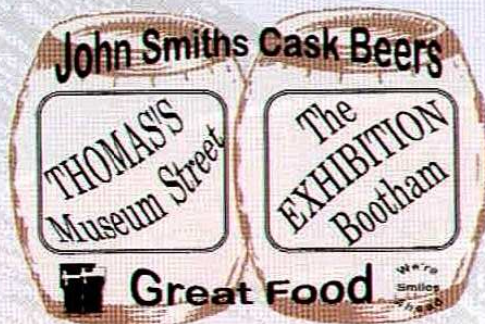
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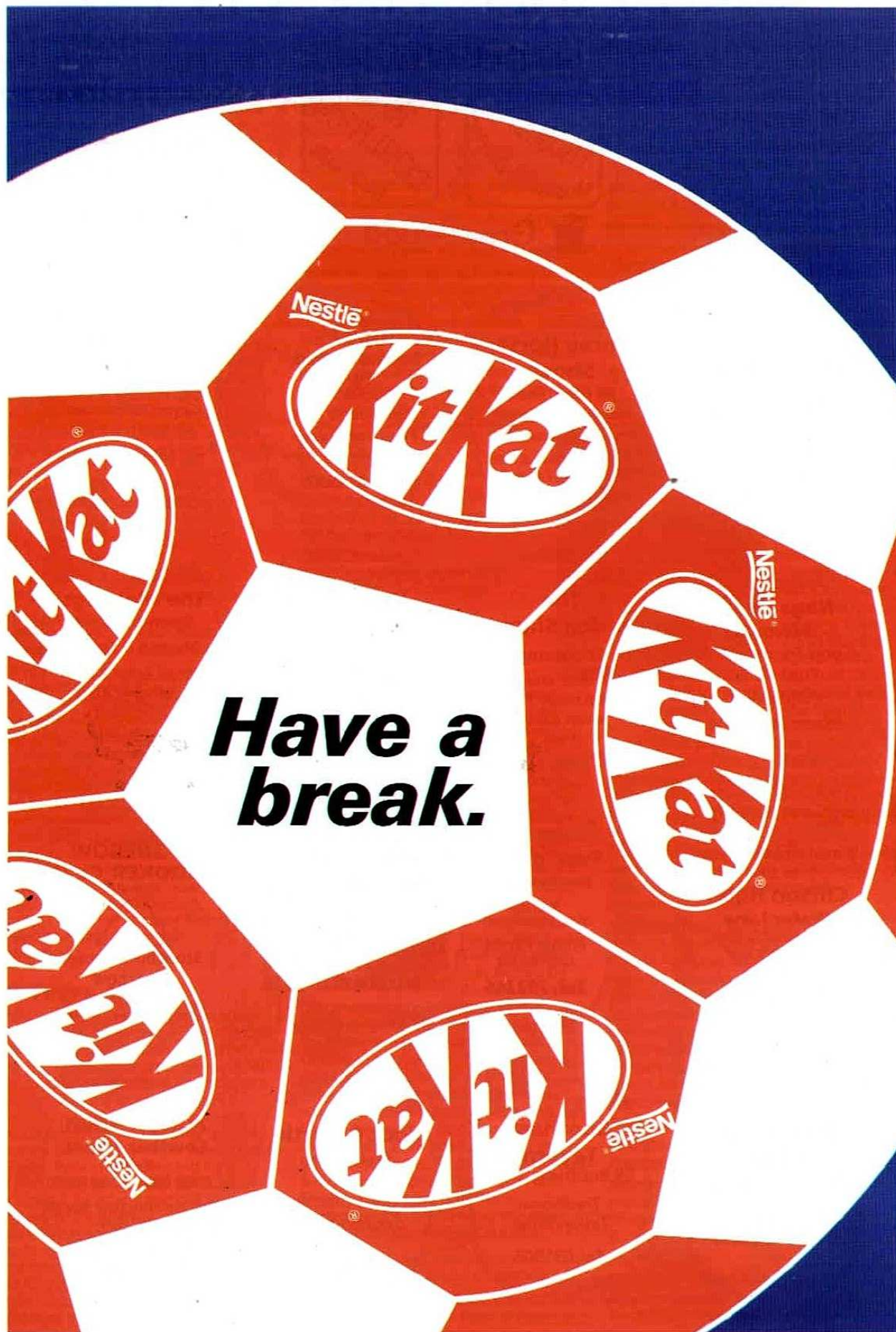
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YORK CITY SUPPORTERS' CLUB

The winner of our members complimentary ticket this afternoon is Margaret Charlson, membership No.162. The latest stage of our Buster sweep has been won by Mr. E. Fletcher with Stirling Albion. Congratulations, £25 is on its way to you. A warm welcome to York City to Adrian Randall who we know a little bit about because of our past encounters with Burnley. The New Year issue of *Win, Lose or Draw* is on sale this afternoon around the ground at the usual price of 30p. The names of football clubs are becoming popular as names. Last year, Chelsea was the most popular girls name whilst Preston, Leyton and Clyde were chosen for boys. I hope any Browns do not call their offspring Newcastle. The Supporters Club are pleased to be involved in the testimonial year of Steve Tutill. Looking ahead, our last away game will be at Brighton. When members of their Supporters Club visited Bootham Crescent earlier in the season they said that they would like to join us before the game and have a drink and a few sandwiches. Sadly it may be their last game at The Goldstone Ground in Hove and indeed in the South Coast town. They feel threatened and sad that the future for their beloved club is so serious. They have always been a very friendly club and their members have always been perfect hosts. We should feel relieved that Bootham Crescent is not threatened in such a way.

Raymond Wynn (01904) 797578

the despairing Dean Kiely. Paul Bodin added another goal from the spot just before half time and then victory was sealed by the clinical Finney in the second half.

The Malton and Norton Branch "First Goalscorer Competition" will be running this afternoon and tickets are available from the Supporters' Club Office for just £1. The recent winner of this competition was Jon Poole. Jon correctly drew out the Hull City Number 10 ticket, so the congratulations go to Jon.

Our "Football Forecast" competition will also be running at today's game. The second game is currently underway now and if you have had a go then call into the Supporters' Club Office and check how you're doing and how much prize money is on offer.

Our recent Football match ended in quite a drubbing as we were once again caught out by a poor first half performance. The final score was 9-0 and six of those goals came in the first half. The team was Mark Blades, Andy Barrett, Mark Copeland, Mark Burley, Paul Mawson, Mark Foster, Shaun Keefe, Owen Willis, Craig Simpson, Shane Wagstaff and Garry Gibb. The game was played at the Bridlington Road Football Ground, Sledmere on Sunday 17th December 1995. We shall hopefully have a game arranged against the Selby Minstermen and the Regional Railways Conductors sometime in January and February.

Mark Copeland (01653) 693847



MALTON AND NORTON BRANCH

Good afternoon and welcome to today's Endsleigh League Second Division game against high flying Swindon Town. We visited the County Ground last August for my first time and it was certainly not first time lucky as we were hammered 3-0. The first goal came after only seconds when Steve Finney headed past



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You can try your luck by purchasing our matchday raffle tickets - tickets cost only 10p each with the prize being a fully autographed York City football. Alternatively, you could pocket as much as £20 by taking part in the First Goalscorer £1 Draw.

Welcoming the supporters of Swindon Town to Bootham Crescent for today's game, and particularly any avid STFC programme collectors, we have amongst others, the following publications available.

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football in the community



The Christmas Party was once again a huge success. Shippo the Lion and Den the Dolphin made the day with special appearances. The hospitality and food at the Hopgrove were once again excellent and the first team squad mixing with all the boys and girls in the Deep Sea Den went down well.

Deano's Goalkeeping Course postponed from 27th December is now on Monday, 12th February – same time, same place.



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Today's Ballgirls

Caroline Wilson, Sara Wood,
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Sally Davis, Elaine Baxter,
Lydia Larcum, Kate Allit, Tina
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junior reds

JUST OVER 100 MEMBERS attended this year's
Junior Red Christmas Party and once again
it was a huge success.

The Hopgrove provided the
venue and for the first hour or
so most activities were centred
around the 'Deep Sea Den'. The
youngsters then joined the full
playing squad for lunch and this
was followed by a team photo
(top) in the car park which
included all the 'Reds', the
players, Shippo, Dennis the
Dolphin and Father Christmas.

Thanks are due to everyone who
helped to make the event a
success but in particular to
Gordon Staniforth whose
supervisory and organisational
skills are always appreciated by
the Junior Red Committee.

The atmosphere in the Family
Room was particularly good this

Christmas and it was pleasing to
see the room decorated with
cards, lights and Christmas trees,
etc. Credit is due to Maria, Sandra
and Lyndsey who look after the
catering and also to Kevin who
helps to supervise the area.

The next Junior Red club night
will be held on Wednesday, 7th
February, in the Family Room,
between 6.00 and 8.00pm. The
nights are free to all members
and usually consist of a quiz and
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This game was always going to be difficult with our visitors eleven points clear at the head of the table. We played a different system, 4-3-3, due to the players we had available.

Paul Baker was

selected, playing up front along with Peverell and Naylor.

From the very start we looked impressive, playing the ball around on the floor, and keeping possession well. Middlesbrough still looked a little bit dangerous on the break and it took us a while to come to terms with how sharp their players were.

We were playing some very attractive football without creating

too many clear cut chances. I felt we weren't mixing our play up enough though and not getting the ball downfield quickly when sometimes it was required.

I mentioned this to the players at half-time and although I didn't want to stop them playing the short passing game, there is certainly room for a combination.

In the end it was a good all round performance without anybody standing out enough to warrant an obvious man of the match. The front three did well to occupy 'Boro's back five, with their full backs passing on.

Our two young centre halves, Osborne and Reed also played excellently against Paul Wilkinson and Chris Freestone. Wilkinson is an experienced player with Grimsby, Everton and Middlesbrough while Freestone is a promising forward who has been progressing at 'Boro for some time. To keep these

players on a tight reign was a job well done.

In the final few minutes of the game our visitors did miss a couple of chances but it would have been most unfortunate if either of those had found the net.

York City: Andy Warrington, Jason Cutler, Paddy Atkinson, Steve Bushell, Wayne Osborne, Martin Reed, Darren Williams, Scott Jordon, Paul Baker, Nicky Peverell, Glen Naylor. **Subs:** Scott Oxley, Andy Curtis, Neil Campbell.

Middlesbrough: Alan Miller, Richard Ward, Wesley Byrne, Alan White, Michael Barron, Phil Whelan, Keith O'Halloran, Mark Summerbell, Chris Freestone, Paul Wilkinson, Michael Cummins. **Subs:** Craig Harrison, Patrick Lee, Ross Skingsley.

Our next home game is here on Wednesday, 17th January against Aston Villa, so that should be an interesting encounter.

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On Saturday, 6th January we travelled to Barnsley. As soon as we met at Bootham Crescent for the journey we knew that conditions would be difficult, because we had played there before and knew the pitch would be very, very sandy. When we arrived it had not changed, it was still very poor. Making conditions even worse, visibility was near to nothing due to thick fog.

The line up of the team to start the game contained five first year pros, during the game their experience gave the squad extra strength and discipline which proved vital.

We started the game brightly with some good flowing football being played, which resulted in a lot of pressure on the Barnsley goal. It didn't take long before we took the lead when Richard Cresswell flicked the ball past the keeper from two yards out, to give us a 1-0 lead.

All through the first half we played some enterprising football, passing it on the ground from defence to midfield to attack. This resulted in another goal, this time scored by Chris Tate, who latched on to a pass from Neil Campbell and slotted it past the Barnsley keeper in the bottom corner from just inside the box.

Good pressure again gave us a corner half way through the first half. Scott Oxley took the corner which was neatly headed in by Wayne Osborne, running onto the ball from the edge of the box. This gave us a 3-0 lead within the first thirty five minutes.

A good move starting with Jason Cutler at left back and finishing with Scott Oxley getting a throw in, in our attacking third. Jason Cutler took the throw in which was directed towards Chris Tate who was inside the penalty box. In the act of flicking the ball on Chris Tate was fouled and gave the referee no choice other than to



give a penalty. Richard Cresswell stepped up to slide the ball past the keeper again, which made the score 4-0 at half time, which we had thoroughly deserved.

In the second half Barnsley came out fighting, hoping to reduce the deficit but it was too much. Yes, Barnsley definitely put more pressure on our goal, but the whole team showed spirit and character to come through the game with only conceding one goal.

The final score line was 4-1 in our favour. This was a very pleasing result because it made the journey home a lot easier, knowing we had played well and have got the right result, against a strong Barnsley side.

Chris Tate

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Steve Bushell	4	Martin Ling
Steve Tutill	5	Mark Seagraves
Paul Atkin	6	Shaun Taylor
Graeme Murty	7	Mark Robinson
Adrian Randall	8	Paul Allen
Paul Barnes	9	Peter Thorne
Paul Baker	10	Wayne Allison
Paul Stephenson	11	Kevin Horlock
	S	Steve McMahon
	S	Wayne O'Sullivan
	G/S	Steve Finney

Referee: Mr. I. G. Cruikshanks (Hartlepool)

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