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up matches are all about getting into the next round and seven days ago we gave ourselves an excellent chance of doing just that by coming away from the County Ground with a one goal advantage.

However, Swindon showed us on Saturday that they are prepared to get in there and battle and we must take nothing for granted tonight. On Saturday I felt that with the possession we had in the first half, combined with the chances we created, should have seen us going into half time with the match well under control. Having gone one nil down, we then showed great character in getting back into the match as quickly as we did. Paul Murray took his goal exceptionally well but we should have capitalised on it as we had good chances after that to get our noses in front. In the second half I felt that we did not put Swindon under enough pressure in the final third of the field, nor did we give their goalkeeper too much work to do. These things can and will be improved by some hard work at the training ground, we still have several experienced players to come back into the side and although it is unlikely that any of them will figure tonight, I cannot fault the young lads who have stepped in recently for their commitment and attitude.

It was important that we didn't lose though, our home form will play a vital part for us over the season and although I would have preferred all three points, we remain undefeated since I arrived here and I aim for that to continue for as long as possible.

Last week I was delighted that Bruce Rioch agreed to accept my offer of joining Rangers to work as my number two. We had an excellent working relationship at Arsenal and continue to have a great deal of respect for one another. We spoke at length about the tasks ahead and we are both perfectly comfortable with the situation we now find ourselves in. I know exactly the type of qualities that Bruce will bring to us and it shows just what a forward thinking club QPR is in making this appointment. One thing I can assure you is that Bruce will be working every bit as hard as myself to achieve success here.

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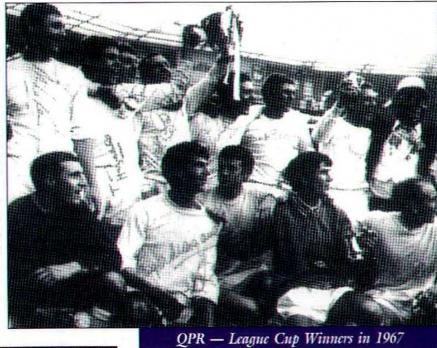
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Wembley Wonders

QPR and Swindon Town are the only two clubs that have won the League Cup as Third Division sides.

It was QPR's thrilling 3-2 win over holders West Brom in the 1967 League Cup final that arguably did most to boost interest in the competition.

Trailing 2-0 at half -time, goals by Roger Morgan, Rodney Marsh and Mark Lazarus clinched victory at



Don Rogers inspired Swindon Town's memorable 1969 League Cup Win



Wembley for the following team: Peter Springett, Tony Hazell, Jimmy Langley, Frank Sibley, Ron Hunt, Mike Keen, Mark Lazarus, Keith Sanderson, Les Allen, Rodney Marsh, Roger Morgan.

A perfect blend of experience and youthful enthusiasm, Alec Stock's side completed a unique Third Division title & League Cup 'double'. The youngsters were thrown into the first-team at very early ages and grew up together, forming a team that never knew when it was beaten. Frank Sibley says: 'The League Cup win was the highlight of my career and probably most of our careers because it was the first time Rangers had ever done anything like that.'

QPR's feat was emulated in 1969 when ace winger Don Rogers scored twice in extra-time as the following Swindon Town team clinched a sensational 3-1 Wembley win over Arsenal: Peter Downsborough, Rod Thomas, John Trollope, Joe

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Marsh(4), Lazarus

2r H Aldershot 2.0 W 7,848

Langley (pen), Marsh 3 H Swansea Town W 2-1 12,988 Hazell, Keen

4 H Leicester City W 4-2 20,735 Allen(2), R. Morgan, Lazarus

5 H Carlisle United W 2-1 19,146 Marsh(2)

S/F-1 A Birmingham City W 4-1 34,295 Marsh, R. Morgan, Lazarus, Allen

S/F-2 H Birmingham City W 3-1 24,604 Marsh(2), Keen

F N WBA W 3-2 97,952 R. Morgan, Marsh, Lazarus

League Cup appearances/(Goals)

Les Allen 9(4), Ron Hunt 9, Mike Keen 9(2), Mark Lazarus 9(4), Rodney Marsh 9(11), Roger Morgan 9(3), Keith Sanderson 9, Peter Springett 9, Jimmy Langley 8(1), Frank Sibley 8, Tony Hazell 6(1), Ian Watson 4, Ian Morgan 1.

SWINDON'S ROAD TO WEMBLEY GLORY

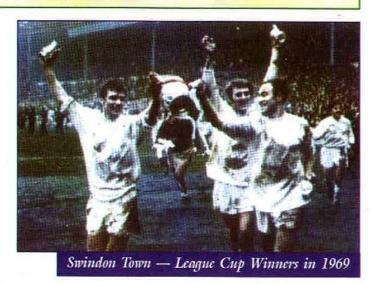
1	H	Torquay United	W	2-1	14,702	Smart, Noble
2	A	Bradford City	D	1-1	7,806	Smart
2r	H	Bradford City	W	4-3	12,214	Smith, Smart, Noble, Rogers (pen)
3	H	Blackburn Rovers	W	1-0	15,402	Rogers
4	A	Coventry City	D	2-2	23,588	Rogers, Smart
4r	H	Coventry City	W	3-0	23,828	Rogers, Smart, Penman
5	A	Derby County	D	0-0	35,000	
5r	H	Derby County	W	1-0	26,449	Rogers
S/F-1	A	Burnley	W	2-1	26,231	Harland, Noble
S/F-2	H	Burnley	L	1-2	28,000	Smith
S/Fr	N	Burnley	W	3-2	20,000	Smith, own goal, Noble
F	N	Arsenal	W	3-1	98,189	Smart, Rogers(2)

League Cup Appearances/(Goals)

Peter Downsborough 12, Stan Harland 12(1), Don Heath 12, Peter Noble 12(4), Don Rogers 12(7), John Smith 12(3), Rod Thomas 12, Frank Burrows 11, Joe Butler 11, Roger Smart 11(6), Owen Dawson 8, Willie Penman 2+2(1), Chris Jones 2+1, John Trollope 2, Mike Blick 1, own goal(1).

Butler, Frank Burrows, Stan Harland, Don Heath, Roger Smart, John Smith (Willie Penman), Peter Noble, Don Rogers.

Crowd favourite Rogers, who later played for QPR, recalls: 'Everybody was saying that Arsenal were a better team than us and were going to win, but I don't think any Swindon players thought that. We had beaten the likes of Coventry City and Burnley along the way and were playing really well so we fully expected to win.' Swindon also won promotion to the Second Division to complete a similar 'double' to Rangers.



Frank spent 27 years at Rangers in two different spells. He said: "I discussed my situation with the board when Ray Wilkins left and told them that I would steer the team through what was obviously a difficult time. But I said that I would wish to leave on the appointment of a new man, as I felt I had given all I could over the years and that the new manager should begin his time at the club with a clean sheet."

R's chairman Chris Wright said: "Frank Sibley leaves us with his head held high and with everyone's good wishes for the future and grateful thanks for his tremendous service to Rangers."

Boss Stewart Houston added: "I had a staff meeting with everybody on the day I took over at Rangers and Frank wished to speak to me afterwards. It was much to my regret that he said that he felt he couldn't carry on at Queens Park Rangers. I have to respect his decision for that and I send him every good wish. I'm sorry that Frank has left us."



Neill do alright

GOOD LUCK to Warren Neill, who has taken over as manager of the youth team following Billy Bonds' departure. Warren originally came through the youth ranks himself at Rangers before becoming a big favourite in the first team, so he knows exactly what is needed for his new job.

Walking wounded

RANGERS had nine players ruled out for the first leg against Swindon at the County Ground. Matt Jackson couldn't play as Everton did not want him cup tied during his loan spell at QPR. Nigel Quashie's flu had developed into sinusitis. Mark Perry was out with a foot injury after his excellent debut at Barnsley. Steve Yates(groin) and Danny Maddix(hamstring) both came off injured in the win at Barnsley. Trevor Challis has been on crutches after his knee injury at Norwich. Kevin Gallen and Dave Bardsley remain long-term casualties. And Mark Hateley has had his loan spell at Leeds extended by a second month.



Top Marks

TWO young players have made splendid first team debuts for Rangers in the last fortnight. 17 year old Mark Perry made an outstanding bow for the R's at Barnsley, scoring a goal in the 3-1 win. That was just seven days after playing in a South East Counties League fixture versus Millwall.

Mark said: "I only found out on the morning of the Barnsley game that I was playing as Nigel Quashie - who I had been sharing a room with at the hotel — was ruled out with a sore throat.

"I lined up in midfield, which is a position I've only started playing in this season. It's a holding role, just in front of the back four. I enjoyed every minute of the game and I hardly knew what to do after I scored. The cross came in and Matt Jackson nodded it on. I just put my head to it really, and the ball finished up in the net. All the lads came running towards me so I just stood there with my arms in the air. It was such a bonus for me to play in the first team and I'm really enjoying my football at the moment."

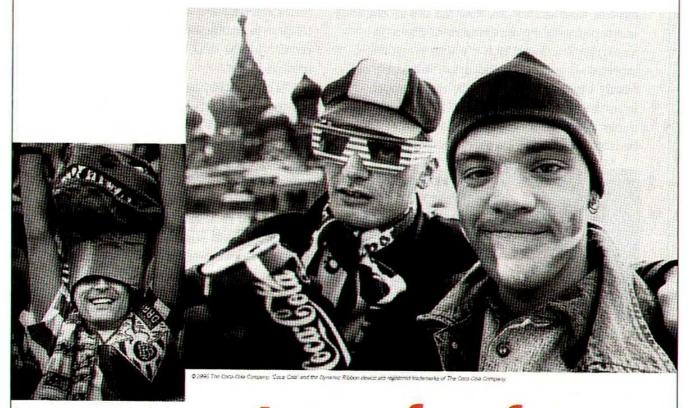
Meanwhile, Wednesday's Coca-Cola victory at Swindon saw Mark Graham's debut for the Hoops. He said: "It was a very good win for the team. I got my chânce to play and I really enjoyed it.

"I played as a right wing-back. I've played there a couple of times for the reserves before. You've got to defend as much as you go forward. You move with the play. When we attack, you attack, and when we defend, you defend. So it's up and down that line all night.

"It was great to make my debut and I'll never forget the noise from the Rangers fans when our goals went in."



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If teams could **transfer fans**, what would you be worth?

n November, Swindon Town boss Steve
McMahon will celebrate two years in his first
managerial job. His board are clearly delighted
with the job he has done so far — they have
recently persuaded him to sign a contract
which will keep him at the County Ground well
into the next century. So, how has the ex-England
star coped with the transition from player to
manager? "I've found that it's been everything I
expected — and more," he says. "You don't realise
exactly what goes on at a club; right throughout,
from the top all the way down. There are a lot of
things that need to be done — on a day-to-day
basis that you never, ever see as a player.

McMahon is a manager who believes that it is his duty to be involved at all levels of the club, not simply dealing with the first team as many managers like to do. "You need to know what's going on, how the club is run. If you don't do it that way, you are not really in charge. All these things need to be done — you have to learn to cope with it. There's no way round it as far as I'm concerned. Saying that though, I do enjoy that side of the job as well."

As a player with Everton, Aston Villa,
Liverpool, Manchester City — and now Swindon
— Steve had a reputation amongst certain sections
of the media as a fiery, argumentative character.
However, it is worth noting that all through his
career, he has yet to be sent off for dissent. He
would, though, be the first to admit that as a
player he was sometimes guilty of a 'bull-in-achina-shop' approach.

"I think it's fair to say that one thing I've had to learn is a little bit of patience," he says. "As a player you can go round trying to change the course of things immediately. You have to learn that these things take time when you go in to management.

"As a manager you have to learn to take a wider view of things. You have to realise that nothing can happen overnight — until you can get the right players in, you must be patient. You need

to take your time to think things through. So I think patience has to be the key."

Steve is, of course, still an integral part of the playing staff at the County Ground. A back injury limited his appearances last season and has kept him sidelined so far in this campaign. He hopes that a specialist will soon be able to give him the all clear to resume on the playing front. It is certainly in the thick of the action that he feels most at home.

"That's the aspect I enjoy the most. I love the day-to-day training — generally, just joining in and geting involved. But I had always wanted to get into management. I took all the neccesary steps, by doing all the coaching courses — so it was a natural progression for me."

While acknowledging that the pressures on a manager are enormous, he says: "Football's been great for me and I think there's a lot I can offer in return. So, I want to put whatever I can back into the game — especially with the youngsters.

"I've always been the sort of player who thinks about the game. I always thought about players, always wondered about what I'd do, how I'd react in particular situations; who would I pick — that sort of thing."

This is, of course, true of many players, who, although they try the bosses chair, do not make the grade at management. McMahon, on the other hand, is one of the select band who not only talk a good game but are able to see that game is played out successfully by his team on the pitch.

The belief in his own judgement has grown as

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he has grown into the job. He says: "You do have to back your own judgement and hope that it turns out right — you learn from when it doesn't. The important thing is that you stick by your principles. If you think it is the right decision, you have to carry it through."

As to what those principles are, McMahon would hold that chief amongst them is that: "You have to enjoy your football. You have to be seen to be enjoying it. And nine times out of ten, if you look as though you are enjoying it then things will be going pretty well for you."

Patience and discipline are also important to McMahon. His teams play patient, disciplined football that is good to watch — perhaps reflecting their own enjoyment of what they are doing.

As a player in the top-flight, Steve played under some of the best known managers in the game; and he is grateful to them for all that they taught him. "I've tried to take with me a lot of the good things that I learned from the managers I worked under," he says. "That's the way you learn — through the example of others. It's important that you don't just dismiss everything you've learned and think that you can do it all your own way.

The boss has extensively rebuilt the Swindon side over the last two years. Former Liverpool team mate, Mark Walters has come in over the summer and delighted the fans at the County Ground — and his new manager — with his pace and ball skills. Walters is a useful addition to a squad that positively bristles with classy players. Last season, Swindon were, perhaps, the most impressive winners of the Second Division Championship for many years: something of which the boss is justifiably proud.

"It was a remarkable season — from all angles: the way we played, the way we won. It's that which pleases me most: the manner in which we won."

He has added to the squad cannily. A couple of players who had been on loan at the County Ground have been given permanent contracts, as have a couple who came on trial. Only two — Scott Leitch and Gary Elkins — have cost money; and then only £115,000 for the pair.

"We have to cut our cloth accordingly," says the boss. "I like to get people in on loan or take them on trial — you can take your time assessing whether or not they have got what you're looking for."

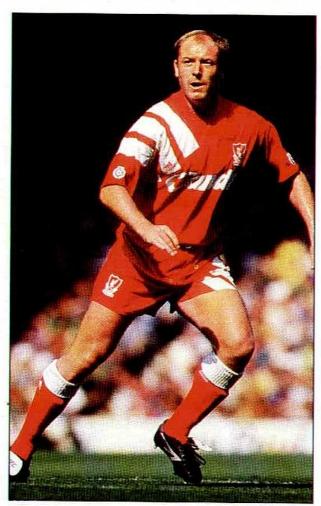
The rigours of the job are, for McMahon, far outweighed by his love for the game. The hours of travelling, looking at players, may be tedious at

times; but, he says, the pleasure of seeing something exciting — discovering new talent perhaps — more than compensates for time spent on the road.

Steve McMahon is steeped in the game and, like all the best managers, is never far away from it. "If I'm not going out to watch football, then I'm staying in to watch it on the telly," he says. "Obviously, I like to relax with the family or, maybe, get out on the golf course. But saying that, you can never switch off 100% — you're always thinking about the job. There's always something that comes up. You might think about how the game went today — and then you start to think about the next one. It's never ending: but that's the job, and you know it is."

Nothing would make him walk away from the game: not even a big win on the National Lottery. "Tve been fortunate that the game has given me a good living. I love the job, it's in my blood."

One suspects that if Steve McMahon's numbers ever came up on a Saturday night, he would plough the whole lot of it back in to the game that he cares so deeply about. Swindon fans should keep their fingers crossed and hope: 'It could be him.'



McMahon-A key performer in Liverpool's succesful eighties side





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Rangars Barnslay

aretaker manager Frank Sibley bowed out in style as rampant Rangers shattered the League's last 100% record. The R's took the game to leaders Barnsley, and the performance of high octane football gave a resounding warning to the rest of Division One.

Danny Dichio had the ball in the net as early as the second minute, touching home Murray's low cross, but the in form marksman was ruled offside. Three minutes later, the R's were ahead. Sinclair's enticing cross from the left was headed down by Dichio and Simon Barker ploughed a left foot half volley into the corner.

Barnsley were restricted to long range drives from Thompson and Eaden, who both brought the best out of Sommer. But the R's always looked superior and 17 year old Mark Perry capped an excellent League debut by heading the second goal on 41 minutes. Again, Sinclair twisted and tormented, before his cross was flicked on by Jackson for Perry to make a telling connection.

Barnsley's biggest crowd for 11 months were stunned by the scintillating team move that yielded Rangers' third in the 49th minute.

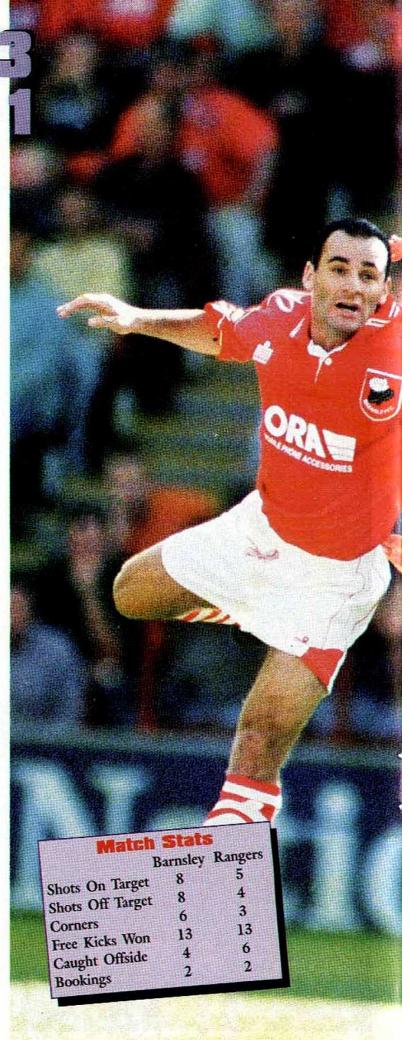
Impey broke down the left, feeding Murray whose shot was spooned outwards by keeper Watson, Dichio following up for his third of the season.

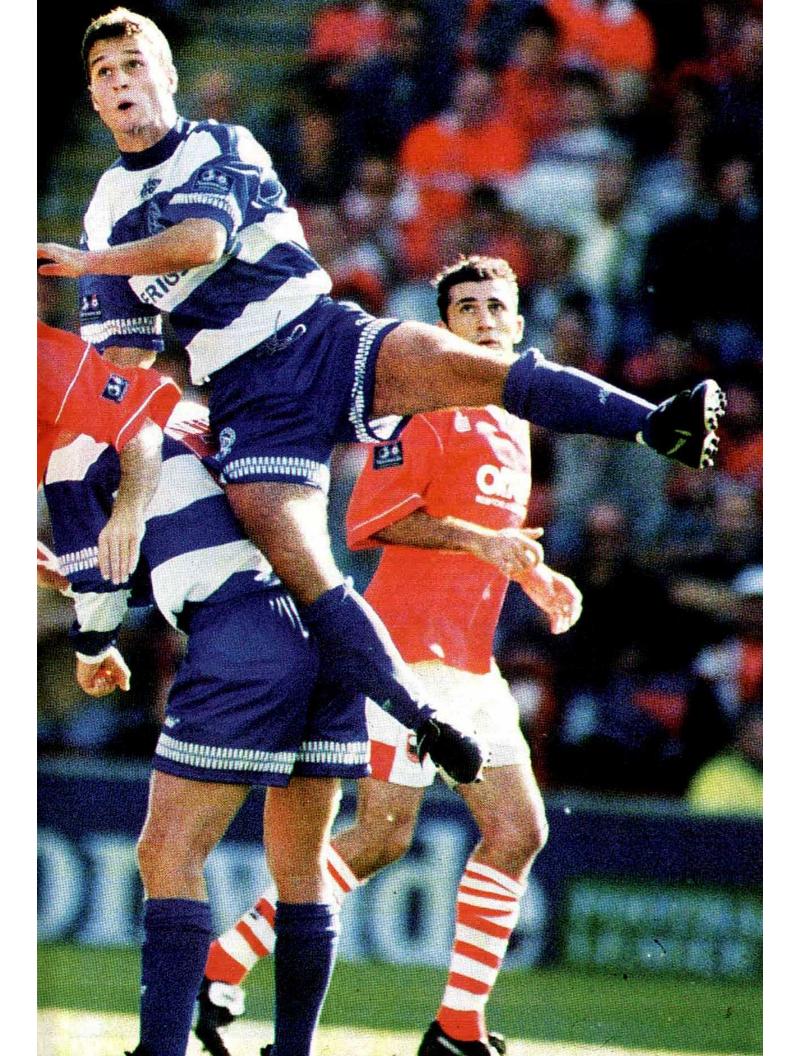
Barnsley's consolation came after 68 minutes when Wilkinson deflected in Bullock's low cross, but the Yorkshiremen's best League start in 18 years was left in tatters by the class of Rangers.

Teams: Barnsley: Watson, Eaden, Appleby, Sheridan(Bullock 45'), Davis, De Zeeuw, Marcelle Redfearn, Wilkinson, Liddell(Regis 61'), Thompson. Sub Not Used: Bosancic

Rangers: Sommer, Jackson, Brevett, Barker, McDonald, Yates(Maddix 56', Brazier 68'), Murray, Perry, Impey, Sinclair. Sub Not Used: Charles

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Birthday four Rachel



Happy Birthday to Rachel O'Connor who will be four tomorrow. Rachel is already a big R's fan, luckily her dad Jim has promised to take her to her first game before the season is out.

Better late than never

Happy belated birthday to Patrick Maguire III who was

nine years old on Monday. Patrick, who is pictured here with his younger brother Billy, is absolutely football crazy. He loves going to Rangers games, home and away, and when not watching the Rs, can usually be found either playing football or dreaming about running out at Loftus Road making his debut for the



Patrick's favourite players are Simon Barker, Trevor Sinclair and Daniele Dichio.

Hoops.

Send in your photos

"Yours Sincerely" is your page and we simply can't get enough of your contributions for this particular section of "Hoops". Hopefully today's page will give you a taste of what we're after; birthdays, weddings, holidays, anything goes really as long as it has a Rangers theme.

Cabaret Evening

On Friday 4th October Yeading Football Club are hosting a "Rodney Marsh Cabaret Evening".

Joining Rodney will be comedian Ian Irving, in an evening combining top class entertainment with a mouth watering four course meal.

Tickets are available at £20 per person: Tables of ten are also available (£180). Tickets can be obtained from Bob Adams on either 0181 84I 9460 or 0181 848 7362.

The evening commences at 7.30pm. The full address of Yeading FC is as follows:

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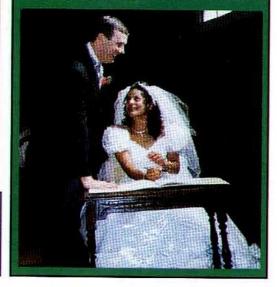
Rome Ranger

Newlyweds Stuart and Samantha Ball recently enjoyed their honeymoon in Ancient Rome. As the picture shows, season ticket holder Stuart was very keen to sport his club colours whilst in Italy. However, not only did Stuart's honeymoon have a hoops flavour, the actual wedding ceremony didn't escape R's attention, as the vicar asked the congregation to pray for QPR's speedy return to the Premiership!



Best Wishes

Stuart Mace, a club member for over 30 years, married Sabrina on 24th August. We wish Stuart and his new wife all the best.



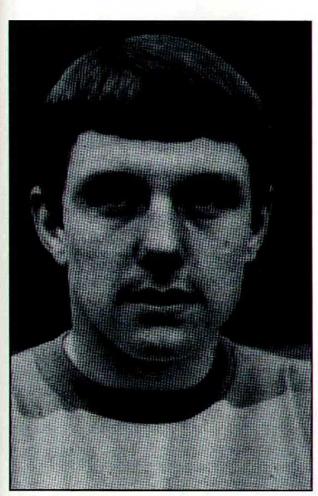
Loyalty

All his friends at Loftus Road and particularly his niece Anne, would like to send their best wishes to Bill Tweed who has now supported QPR for over 50 years and is still a member of the supporters club.

30 years on... Taking Stock of Alec's

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Then: Ron Hunt set up QPR's 1967 League Cup winner

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1964/65	10			10
1965/66	32	5	2	39
1966/67	44	3	9	56
1967/68	10+1		2	12+1
1968/69	29+2	1		30+2
1969/70	21+1		3	24+1
1970/71	37(1)	1	2	40(1)
1971/72	29+1	2	4	35+1
1972/73	2	1+1		3+1
Total	214+5(1)	13+1	22	249+6(1)

ong-serving centre-half Ron Hunt was a key member of QPR's 1966/67 Third Division title

& League Cup 'double' side, setting up the Wembley winner.

On the groundstaff at West Ham and Reading before joining Rangers as an apprentice, he signed professional under Alec Stock in March 1963. His sole goal in 219 League games earned a 1-1 draw at Sheffield United in November 1970.

A knee injury ended his League career in 1973 and he had spells with Molesey, Hillingdon Borough and Walton & Hersham, while a professional squash player and coach. Employed in the petro-chemical industry since 1982, he lives in Reading and is Sales Manager for Nautic Steels. His son Richard was a QPR apprentice in the late 1980's.





Now: Pictured recently with his youngest son Michael

1967. — Unbeaten Start Continues

QPR maintained their thrilling unbeaten start to the 1947/48 Third Division (South) campaign as the following team secured consecutive 4-1 wins over Aldershot and Notes County in September 1947: Reg Allen, Reg Dudley, Ted Reay Ivor Powell, George Smith, Reg Chapman, Billy McEwan, Don Mills, Fred Durrant, Cvril Hatton, Johnny Patrison. The victories came in the middle of a 12 match unbeaten sequence that established Dave Mangnall's side as early pacesetters after their promotion nearmiss the previous season. The one major change from that team was the arrival of centre-half George Smith from Brentford for £2,000 and he was appointed captain at Loftus Road, destined to lead Rangers to the Second Division for the first time.

1967 — Locke Slays Linns

Scortish Amateur international inside left Leslie Locke netted his first hat-trick for QPR to give the following team a 3-0 home win over Millwall on 23rd September 1957: Ron Springett, Pat Woods, Tony Ingham, George Petchev, Keith Rutter, Jimmy Andrews, Longbottom, Bobby Cameron, Eddie Smith, Leslie Locke, Peter Angell. It was the last game that Eire international centrehalf Charlie Hurley played for Millwall prior to joining Sunderland for £20,000, vet a week later the same QPR side crashed to a 5-0 Third Division (South) defeat in the return match at The Den. Locke had impressed in the Isthmian League with Bromley and spent two years on amateur forms at Loftus Road before signing professional in May 1958, he was destined to score 22 goals in 77 League games for Rangers.

1966 - High-Scoring Oravis

Two goals by Ken Whitfield -

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Football historian Leigh Edwards looks back at 50

his first for the club - and another by Brian Bedford gave the following QPR team a 3-3 Third Division draw at Barnsley on 3rd September 1960: Ray Drinkwater, Pat Woods, Tony Ingham, Peter Carey, Keith Rutter, Peter Angell, Norman Golding, Brian Bedford, Ken Whitfield, Jimmy Andrews, Clive Clark. Two days later, the same side except for Mike Barber making his League debut at outside-right, clinched a thrilling 4-4 draw at Coventry City with goals from Brian Bedford (2), Jimmy Andrews and Clive Clark. Former Arsenal amareur Barber had signed professional for QPR in December 1959 and netted 11 goals in 63 Third Division outings before joining Norts County in July 1963.

1964 — McAdams' Debut Goal

Signed from Brentford for £5,000 in September 1964, ex-Northern Ireland international inside-forward Billy McAdams scored on his QPR debut to clinch a 2-1 home win over Hull Circ Ini-



Billy McAdams

tially with Distillery, McAdams joined Manchester City in December 1953 and was top scorer in 1959/60. Sold to First Division Bolton Wanderers rivals £15,000 in September 1960, he gained the last of his 15 caps after joining Leeds United in December 1961 and had moved to Griffin Park in July 1962. The match was also notable for the League debuts of two former juniors - left-back Bobby Nash and outside-right Ian Morgan - and in the next game at Gillingham, Alec Stock gave League debuts to two more voungsters - right-half Tony Hazell and Morgan's twin brother Roger.

1978 — Wing Ace Bejoins Burnley

QPR's fiery Welsh international winger Leighton James rejoined Burnley for a record £165,000 in September 1978. A former Burnley apprentice, he had starred with Dave Thomas in their 'Team of the Seventies' before joining Derby County for £300,000 in October 1975. Frank Sibley swapped Don Masson for him two years later and he netted four goals in 28 First Division games for Rangers, James said at the time of his return to Turf Moor: 'It feels good to be back, I spent three years away from Burnlev which weren't as successful as I would have liked. I'm looking forward to getting some success for myself and the club by winning promotion to the First Division at the end of the season. He was destined to rejoin Burnley for a third time in August 1986.

1978 — Wicks Follows Decherty

Ex-England U-21 central defender Steve Wicks followed

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post war years over this month at Loftus Road



Steve Wicks

Tommy Docherty from Derby County to QPR for £275,000 in September 1979. A former Chelsea apprentice, Docherty had paid a similar fee to sign him for Derby eight months earlier. Wicks' arrival at Loftus Road climaxed a hectic three months of transfer activity in the wake of The Doc's return as manger, with stalwarts Gerry Francis, Dave Clement and John Hollins sold to Crystal Palace, Bolton Wanderers and Arsenal respectively. Other new signings included ex-Manchester United trio Gary Micklewhite, Martyn Rogers and Dave McCreery, England U-21 goalkeeper Chris Woods and Steve Burke from Nortingham Forest, England midfield ace Tony Currie from Leeds United and England U-21 central Defender Bob Hazell from Wolves.

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Following the controversial sale of strikers Clive Allen, Paul Goddard and Mickey Walsh for over £2,000,000. QPR manager Tommy Docherty splashed out £425,000 for Everton's Andy King in September 1980, a month after paying a similar fee for Chelsea's Tommy Langley. England U-21 star King had joined Everton for £35,000 from Luton Town in April 1976 and was a big favourite at Goodison Park. He said at the time of his move to Rangers: I never wanted to leave Everton but it became obvious that there was no place for me. Dropping a division frightened me to death when I was thinking the move over, but I spoke to The Doc and chairman Iim Gregory and had few doubts that this was the place for me.' Docherty rated King in the £1 million class, saying: 'I couldn't believe the price Everton quoted me when I made my approach.'

1903 - Trempson is Voungest Goalsman

Richard Thompson became the League's voungest chairman when he took over at QPR in September 1988 following the sudden death of his predecessor David Bulstrode, who had also been on the Football League Management Committee. At the age of 24, Thompson was half the age of manager Jim Smith and younger than many of the QPR players. Rangers had gained just one point from their opening three First Division games of 1988/89, reverting to grass after seven years of the plastic pitch at Loftus Road. Former England star Trevor Francis scored QPR's first goals of the season in a 2-0 win over Sheffield Wednesday, then inspired a 3-0 home victory over Cardiff Ciry in the Littlewoods Cup second round first leg.

Capped 32 times, former England international centre-forward Mark Hateley joined QPR in a record £1,500,000 move from Glasgow Rangers in September 1995. The fee exceeded Rangers' previous record £1,250,000 spent on Ned Zelic from Borussia Dortmund two months earlier QPR's player-manager Ray Wilkins had played with Hareley at AC Milan and in the England side and said at the time: I know Mark as a player and as a person and I'm absolutely thrilled to have him on board. His experience will be an enormous help because our younger forwards can learn from him.' Signed on a two and a half year contract, Hateley said: At this stage of my career, I'm looking for a new challenge and want to make an impact in the Premiership.' His debut was delayed for two months after he had a cartilage 'tidy up' operation on his left knee.



Mark Hateley

Preview



ur next two games are against Midlands opposition: on Saturday we travel to Birmingham City and on October 2nd we receive Port Vale.

During the summer, Birmingham dismissed Barry Fry and replaced him with our former manager Trevor Francis, who then spent heavily recruiting players with Premier experience. Blues have splashed out on Steve Bruce, Barry Horne, Mike Newell and Paul Furlong, but so far they have failed to set the division alight with just two wins, against Crystal Palace and Stoke City. Having brought these players in, Francis' biggest task now is to clear some deadwood out of St. Andrews, Barry Fry built up an immense squad that clearly adds to the wage bill. Those likely to remain include Jason Bowen, Jonathan Hunt, Paul Devlin, Paul Tait and Gary Breen. However, while this season is likely to be considerably more stable than those in the Fry era, the Brummies may find that a play-off spot is their most realistic ambition.

In midweek Vale arrive from the Potteries for an extremely rare appearance at Loftus Road. For many years the Burslem outfit were lower division strugglers, but with long serving John Rudge given time to lay solid foundations at the club, they have developed into a steady First Division side. Recently they have achieved some notable FA Cup wins and reached the final of the Anglo-Italian Cup. By contrast to Birmingham, the close season at Blundell Park was very quiet and it's hard to see them

improving on last season's position of twelfth, but if they finish above neighbours Stoke their fans will probably be happy. Vale have some useful attacking players such as Tony Navlor, Martin Foyle and John McCarthy and break quickly from defence when playing away from home, but we will be looking for three points from this encounter.



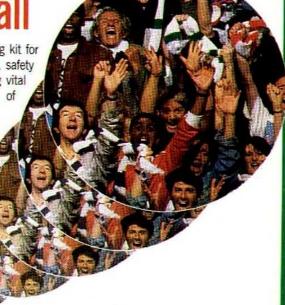
Jonathan Hunt

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Port Vale

Nationwide Football League Division One Wednesday 2nd October kick-off 7.45 pm Category "B" prices VOUCHER NO.5.

Manchester City

Nationwide Football League Division One Saturday 12th October kick-off 3.00 pm Category "B" prices VOUCHER NO.6.

Members wishing to buy tickets for the Loft Upper or for the Loft Lower or for the East or West Paddocks must produce the Voucher Number indicated

PLEASE NOTE MEMBERS ARE ONLY ALLOWED TO PURCHASE ONE EXTRA TICKET FOR A GUEST IN THE LOFT LOWER OR EAST OR WEST PADDOCKS.

Birmingham City

Nationwide Football League Division One Saturday 28th September kick-off 3.00 p.m. Seats priced £13 (no concessions) will be available at the turnstiles on the day only.

Grimsby Town

Nationwide Football league Division One Saturday 5th October kick-off 3.00 p.m. Seats priced £12 (no concessions) are available to Season Ticket Holders and Club Members on production of Away Match Voucher No. 6 (one per Voucher).

Box Office Information

Tickets

Seats for all home matches are available by post or to personal callers two months prior to each match from the Box Office. If applying by post please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Cheques or Postal Orders should be made payable to "QPR FC" and sent to QPR FC Rangers Stadium, Shepherds Bush, London W12 7PA. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH. Please note that applications received by the club less than five days before a match will be held for collection. If tickets have not been received 24 hours prior to match day, it is the purchaser's responsibility to contact the club to confirm that their tickets are being held for collection.

Credit Gards (Access or Visa)

Tickets may be purchased by Credit Card by post or over the counter via QPR. When applying by post please state your full name and address, credit card number and its expiry date. A 3% charge will be made on such transactions. No charges for transactions on debit cards such as Switch, etc

Telephone Credit Card Bookings

Tickets for all our home games are available through Ticketmaster on 0171 344 9494 Charges Members £1.00 per ticket applied for plus £1.25 handling charge on each transaction.

Non-Members £2.00 per ticket applied for plus £1.25 handling charge on each transaction.

Tickets will be available in certain blocks in Ellerslie Road, South Africa Road and Loftus Road Stands. Ticketmaster will charge all customers £2.00 per ticket for tickets sold at Ticket Centres.

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The Box Office will be open from 9.30am to 4.45pm Monday to Friday (until 7.00pm on Friday prior to home matches) and 9.30am to 12 noon on Saturdays (non home matchdays) unless otherwise announced.

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Ellerslie Road Stand	£13	£16
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(Members only)	£10	£10
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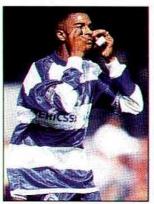
Senior Citizens throughout the ground (Please note that proof of age may be required).

Reserves Youth

Happy Hollins

Reserves and Youth team boss John Hollins gives his verdict on last week's emphatic 4-0 win over Crystal Palace, where the scorers were Richard Graham, Steve

Slade and Lee Charles(2)...



Steve Slade

"It was a great, great victory. With injury problems at the club, my side was very young throughout. But I've got to say that it was one of the best team performances since I've been in charge. There were five young players making their debuts for the reserves - Damien Franklin, Karl Owen, David Whittle, Richard Spiller and Richard Graham- and they played their hearts out with

a lot of talent and ability. We took the pressure early on and then scored two excellent goals. Second half, we came out and got another two goals. It could have been a few more than that. The future looks good for this club when you can bring in-young guys like that and see them all

do so well. It was a super team effort and the enthusiasm was excellent. Stewart Houston had come to see the reserves play for the first time since taking over and the lads responded in the best possible way. The smile on my face grew wider and wider throughout the 90 minutes. For once I didn't want the ref to blow the final whistle because of the super football Rangers were playing."



Karl Owen

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Emerald Isle R's

Starting out on a footballing career is a nerve-racking business, especially when the club you join is hundreds of miles from home. Luckily David Whittle and Richard Graham have hardly had time to miss their native Ireland both lads having played for both the youth team and reserves this season. David is a defender or midfield player from Waterford. He says:" I prefer playing in defence. My favourite players in my position are Alan McDonald and Paul McGrath, because both have been at the top for so long.

"For me, London is a big change from Waterford, but I'm getting used to it. QPR are such a great family club and everyone here has made me feel very welcome."

David hopes to break into the Rangers first team within two or three years and he would love to represent the Republic of Ireland. He feels he might have a chance of a call-up for the under-18 World Cup qualifiers this year.

Meanwhile, Richard Graham hails from the seaside town of Kilkeel, and is the younger brother of Mark at Rangers. Richard scored on his reserve team debut against Palace last week and says: "Five of us from the youth team played in that game and we found the pace much quicker, but we all enjoyed it. I was pleased to play alongside Mark in the midfield, as it is the first time I have lined up with my brother in a competitive match. I scored as well, so it was a good night for me." Richard was capped by Northern Ireland under-16's in August and he has now been selected for under-18 games against England and Finland next month in the European Qualifying tournament.

The future looks good for this club when you can bring in young guys like that and see them all do so well.



"It pays to be a member of our club" Membership - season 1996/97

For those of you who wish to become new members fill in the details below or contact the Membership Office on 0181-740-2534 and we will send you an application form on request.

Season Ticket Holders are automatically members.

Subscription fees are as follows:

£12.00 Adult (UK):

Junior (Under 16 at 1st August 96): £6.00

Senior Citizen (Male aged over 65,

Female over 60 at 1st August 96): £6.00 Europe (Including Eire): £14.00 £17.00

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DUEENS PARK RANGERS SUPPORTERS CLUB RACE FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH 1996 IN THE TONY INGHAM SUITE

Come and join other QPR supporters in this convivial and exciting evening.

All proceeds to the shooting star trust to provide a children's hospice in the Middlesex area.

To be auctioned at the Race Night: Stan Bowles new autobiography, and a No 10 shirt both autographed by Stan, all proceeds of course to the Shooting Star fund.

On sale from The Membership Office: limited edition Shooting Star/QPR Badges, Price £1.00.

Seventh Heaven

Rest Of World:

Junior R Daniel James Hunt recently celebrated seventh birthday and certainly managed to have his cake and eat it. A truly impressive cake creation, but would the Ranger's midfielders fancy



wearing that particular number seven?

Junior R Mascot

Tonight's mascot is Junior R and season ticket holder Laura Strong.

Laura is ten years old and attends Canberra Primary School.

Her hobbies are



football and running and her favourite QPR players are Simon Barker and Kevin Gallen.

Match Sponsor's Mascot

Tonight's match sponsor's mascot is 12 year old Luke Sheeky. Luke attends Drayton School in Hanwell, and he enjoys football and golf. His favourite R's player is Kevin Gallen.

The Rangers creche will be open again for home games (except evening kick offs) during the season.

The creche, which proved to be very popular last season, is situated in the White City Play Centre in Australia Road. It is run by two fully qualified play leaders and caters for children aged 18 months to eight years.

Charges are: £3.00 one child — £4.00 two children — £5.00 three or more. There are only twelve places available for each game, so you are advised to book early to avoid disappointment.

 Bookings are taken five days in advance of each match. It opens at 2.00pm and closes at 5.00pm.

If you need more information or wish to make a booking, please phone Sarah on 0181 740 2534.

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Sat 2 Stoke City Sun 10 Crystal Palace

Sat 16 Charlton Athletic

Sat 23 Reading

Wed 27 Coca-Cola Cup 4 Sat 30 Sheffield United

DECEMBER

Sat 7 Oldham Athletic Sat 14 Southend United

Sat 21 Huddersfield Town

Thu 26 Norwich City Sat 28 West Bromwich Albion

JANUARY '97

Wed 1 Swindon Town Sat 4 E.A.Cup 3

Wed 8 Coca-Cola Cup 5

Sat 11 Barnsley Sat 18 Port Vale

Sat 25 EA.Cup 4

Wed 29 Birmingham City FEBRUARY

Sat 1 Crystal Palace Sat 8 Ipswich Town

Sat 15 Reading (E.A.Cup 5)

Wed 19 Coca-Cola Cup Semi-Final (1) Sat 22 Stoke City

MARCH

Sat 1 Oldham Athletic

Tue 4 Charlton Athletic

Sat 8 Huddersfield Town (E.A.Cup 6)

Wed 12 Coca-Cola Cup Semi-Final (2)

Sat 15 Southend United

Sat 22 Portsmouth

Sat 29 Oxford United

Mon 31 Wolverhampton Wanderers APRIL

Sat 5 Bolton Wanderers

Sun 6 Coca-Cola Cup Final

Sat 12 Grimsby Town (F.A.Cup Semi-Final)

Sat 19 Manchester City

Sat 26 Tranmere Rovers

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Sun 4 Bradford City

Sat 17 E.A. Cup Final

Why not come along to Loftus Road to watch some top quality Rugby Union as high-flying Wasps take on some of the game's top teams. Exciting action is guaranteed and with an attendance of over 10,500 for their last appearance at Loftus Road, the atmosphere is sure to be electric.

Games kick off at 3.00p.m. with gates open from 1.00p.m., so don't be late.

Seats are priced

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Further Wasps fixtures scheduled to take place

at Loftus Road are as follows

Cardiff Sunday 13th October

Toulouse Saturday 26th October
Bristol Saturday 7th December

Northampton Saturday 28th December

Harlequins Saturday 4th January (subject to Q.P.R. not

being drawn at home that day in the F.A. Cup sponsored by Littlewoods Third Round)

London Irish Saturday 18th January

Gloucester Sunday 9th March

Sale Saturday 5th April Sale Saturday 19th April

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- Radio-cassette players and mobile phones are particularly sought after by thieves. Remove them if possible.
- THINK CAR CRIME!

NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL DIVISION ONE

(Up to and including Sunday 22nd September 1996)

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Bradford City	8	2	0	2	6	7	0	0	4	0	7	6
Grimsby Town	8	1	0	3	3	7	0	2	2	5	11	5
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- 3 RUFUS BREVETT
- 4 SIMON BARKER
- 5 ALAN MCDONALD
- 6 CHRIS PLUMMER
- 7 MATTHEW BRAZIER
- 8 PAUL MURRAY
- 9 DANIELE DICHIO
- 10 ANDREW
- 11 TREVOR SINCLAIR

SUBSTITUTES

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Referee: T Heilbron

Terry Heilbron has been refereeing for 15 years, joining the Football League list for the 1993/94 season. Terry is married with one son and when not refereeing is an area sales manager. His hobbies outside football include golf and keeping fit.

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 - GARY 3
 - Scott 4
- SFACRAVES 5
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Assistant Referees:

C N Breakspear (Red & Yellow flag)

D R Spicer (Yellow flag)

Reserve Official: S D Tomlinson

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